

## GOLD STAR AWARD



The Gold Star Award is the highest county achievement award. Counties have award quotas based on the number of senior 4-H members. The award will be presented to the most deserving young people without regard to sex. The following requirements must be met:

1. The member must be at least 15 years of age as of August 31 of the current 4-H year, and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H including the current year.
2. The 4-H member must submit an awards program recordbook in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.
3. The 4-H member must have completed projects in three different project areas, including submission of appropriate record forms, and have participated in one or more activities in at least three of the following areas:
  - ▶ 4-H Educational Presentation Contests
  - ▶ Projects
  - ▶ Project Exhibits
  - ▶ Camps
  - ▶ Leadership Labs
  - ▶ Citizenship Activities
  - ▶ Public Relations (speeches, poster displays, radio, TV, newspaper)
  - ▶ Other (includes exchange programs, fund raising, State & National Congress, etc.)

NOTE: It is not expected that the above requirements for projects and activities all be completed in the current year. They may have been accomplished over the entire period of time the 4-H'er has been in the program.

During his or her years in 4-H, the member must have exhibited leadership skills by serving as a 4-H officer or committee chairman (club, county, district, or state), and/or as a junior or teen leader in an activity or project with or under the supervision of an adult volunteer leader.

The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities. Examples are working or counseling with junior 4-H members; participating in community service projects (individual, group or club-type); and motivating other 4-H members through participation in demonstrations, projects and/or exhibits.

