

## JUNIOR LEADERSHIP

One thousand, five hundred seventy-nine Junior Leaders, boys and girls 14 years and older, assisted with the 4-H programs this year and were enrolled in the Junior Leadership Project. This project is designed to give the older 4-H member an opportunity for service and to help them develop abilities and skills in working with others. The Junior Leader develops his own leadership abilities by helping younger 4-H'ers with projects, records, demonstrations, public speaking, and other activities. Junior Leaders are vital to a growing 4-H organization.

Adult 4-H leaders have received specific training in several counties by Extension Agents on techniques of working with Junior Leaders. A unique opportunity was provided to eighty outstanding 4-H leaders representing eighty of the one hundred counties at the Leader Forum in Washington, D. C. the week of March 13-18, 1967. "Working With Junior Leaders" was the theme for the week's training. A number of the leaders were inspired to the extent that they conducted workshops for Junior Leaders in their county.

Specialized sessions for Junior Leaders were conducted by Extension personnel. Timely tips for effective Junior Leadership were emphasized. Helpful suggestions for completing the three-fold project involving member, project, and activity supervision were made. Additional ideas on ways to work with adult leaders were taught.

The annual Leadership Conference for a key group of Junior Leaders representing the Western District was held at Swannanoa 4-H Camp again this year. Ninety-one attended and received valuable training through their classes on "Careers," "Junior Leadership," "Finer Things In Life," and "Tuned-Out or Be-In."

Another opportunity provided a select group of senior club members (14-19 years) was Senior Teen Camp. Interesting classes taught included "The Real You," "Crafts," "Values for Teen-agers," "Swimming," "The Tuned-Out Generation," "Electric," and "Junior Leadership."

Wildlife Camp offered still another opportunity for Junior Leaders. Those Junior Leaders in the Wildlife Project were invited to render assistance with the camp for county project winners in the Wildlife Project.

A special award known as Key Award was presented to a select group of 179 Junior Leaders representing many of the counties in North Carolina. Those receiving the award must have been enrolled at least one year in the Junior Leadership Project and scored at least 100 points on the leadership score card.

Key Award scholarships of \$100 each to two boys and two girls were awarded to outstanding Junior Leaders in North Carolina this year.