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2020 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition Awards Announced

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Thank you to all the talented 4-H'ers who entered this year's competition with an essay written to shine a spotlight on bee survival through the winter. We received 22 essays for national judging. The world of beekeeping is very fortunate to have so many clever, young professionals preparing to lead our industry one of these days!

While each entrant deserves congratulations for making it into the national competition, we have three scholarship awards to announce. Congratulations to the following 4-H'ers for placing first, second and third in the 2020 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition sponsored by the Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees:

- First Prize: Libby Majors, Arkansas
- Second Prize: Olivia Bravo, Utah
- Third Prize: Venya Gunjal, Georgia

The three prize-winning essays will be published in *ABF Quarterly*, the magazine of the American Beekeeping Federation. All writers of essays submitted to the national competition will receive a hard-cover copy of the acclaimed book *The Lives of Bees: The Untold Story of the Honey Bee in the Wild* by Dr. Thomas D. Seeley, Professor, Cornell University, shipped directly to the address provided by each entrant.

Click here to read the prize-winning essays: <http://preservationofhoneybees.org/essays/2020-essays>

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