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Twentynine Palms resident chosen for curiosity quest

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA — Jacynda Gutierrez, an 11-year-old Twentynine Palms resident, was selected as one of the top 10 finalists in "Curiosity Quest's" search for the show's next big adventure.

Each week, Joel Greene, host of the award-winning children's program, selects a viewer-submitted question or quest challenge, and in a half-hour virtual field trip enlightens viewers on the subject.

Fan letters have taken Joel to a Sea Lion Rescue Facility, the Wonder Bread Factory, the California Speedway and beyond.

What makes this request for quests different is that this time the best letter, as selected by the "Curiosity Quest" judges, will participate in an upcoming show. The top winner will also receive a \$1,000 Young Savers Fund from PFF Bank and Trust, the show's sponsor.

Gutierrez's quest, to cook with the Food Network's Paula Deen, was selected from more than 5,000 others vying for a chance to be a part of "Curiosity Quest" and win the \$1,000 fund.

The top three winners will be featured on a live broadcast of the show planned for 7:30 a.m. Thursday, July 17 on KVCR. At that time the first-place winner will be revealed. The judges include Greene and staff CQ Productions, KVCR and PFF Bank & Trust.

"Curiosity Quest" is seen on more than 40 PBS stations across the country, including Southern California affiliate, KVCR, the America One Network, and other networks on the east coast. "Curiosity Quest" airs at 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays on KVCR, Inland Empire on channel 24, 25 or 26. In the Coachella Valley, "Curiosity Quest" airs at 7:30 p.m. Mondays on KVCR cable channel 9 and at 7 p.m. Tuesdays on KVCR-2 satellite channel 18.

For more information about the show, go to [www.curiosity](http://www.curiosityquest.org)

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