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# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA® QUIVIRA COUNCIL INFINITE IMPACT

## **Quivira Council Hosts First Annual On My Honor Breakfast**



The Quivira Council for Boy Scouts of America hosted the On My Honor Breakfast Tuesday, April 9. More than 200 attended the event, which raised \$60,000 for Boy Scout programs in Quivira Council.

Special guest speakers John Pilla, Vice President Engineering & Chief Technology Officer for Spirit AeroSystems and Manuel Garcia, current K-State student, and former Quivira Council Eagle Scout. Council President Mark Douglass and Council VP Development Chris Steincamp acted as master of ceremonies.

Scoutmaster, Ben Trout was honored with as 2019 Difference Maker by Manuel Garcia and Mark Douglass. Garcia said, "I didn't have a father growing up and when I joined Scouts I found the father figure I needed in my Scoutmaster, Ben never gave up on me and pushed me to be the best person I could be," as Garcia presented the award, he continued "without him I wouldn't be the person I am today."

"What a great event!" Said Mark Douglass. "We had a great turnout with an excited group of community leaders who are passionate about Scouting. John Pilla and Manuel Garcia were so inspiring, what a great way to start the day. I am so thankful for the volunteers and staff who worked so hard to make this a successful event, and thankful for Chris Steincamp's leadership to pull it all together. It only grows from here!"

In 2018 Quivira council served 8,440 members and provided over \$40,000 in camperships, performed 13,152 community service hours, and awarded 116 eagle scouts.

If you would like to support the On My Honor Breakfast by contributing toward the goal, please visit <u>www.quivira.org</u>.

#### April 2019

### **Wildland Fire Mitigation Provides Peace of Mind And Training**



The Kansas Forest Service Incident Management Team lead efforts to reduce the risk of wildland fire on the Quivira Scout Ranch at the 15th Annual Hazardous Fuels Mitigation Project.

"The Hazardous Fuels Mitigation Project exemplifies the overall goals of the wildland fire program for the Kansas Forest Service: collaborating with agencies throughout Kansas and the region; providing training for future and current firefighters; conducting on-the-ground fuels reduction

through physical removal; and using prescribed burning to conserve and promote the native ecosystems of Kansas," said Rodney

Redinger, incident commander for the project and assistant fire management officer focusing in training and operations for the Kansas Forest Service.

Located about 12 miles north of Sedan, Kansas, Quivira Scout Ranch experienced a wildfire in 2016 that damaged approximately 1,700 acres and another smaller fire in 2018 that burnt 800 acres.

During the mitigation project, firefighters thinned woodlands, built fire breaks, removed snags, conduct prescribed burning, and more to meet the conservation and fire-adapted landscape goals of the Quivira Scout Ranch.

The mitigation project is managed by KFS staff members who are nationally-certified wildland firefighters and incident managers. Wildland firefighters are highly trained in fire behavior, suppression methods and wildland fire mitigation.

Other wildland firefighters joined KFS staff from Kansas and surrounding states, representing 20 local, state and federal agencies that house wildland firefighters.



#### Quivira Camp Director Named Outstanding Educator for USD 461

Mr. Chad Dozier, 1st grade teacher at Heller Elementary, was selected by Pittsburg State University College of Education as the Outstanding Elementary Educator award recipient for Spring 2019. He will be honored at the College of Education Recognition Ceremony on Monday, May 6, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in the Miller Theater of the Bicknell Family Center for the Arts on the campus at Pittsburg State University. them thank you!

### Cabela's Awards Quivira Council Equipment Grant

Thank you, Cabela's! They have donated

gear and toys for our camps! New canoe

with canopies!!! If you shop Cabela's, tell

paddles, new life jackets and 3 pedal boats

Bass Pro Shops



### Quivira Council Awarded Make it Greater Grant by HCF

Reno County organizations from Nickerson, Plevna and Pretty Prairie joined 10 others this year received a total of \$22,616 at Hutchinson Community Foundation's Make It Greater Grant Awards program Thursday, March 21st in downtown Hutchinson.



Make It Greater Grants are small funds open to Reno County residents and organizations who have ideas for bringing community members together on projects that spark community spirit and pride, build social capital, and create opportunities for positive changes that make the county a healthier, happier place to live.

Boy Scouts of America-Quivira Council was awarded \$1,850 to provide a wider range of sports and recreation options at Camp Kanza through the purchase of equipment that includes soccer goals, archery targets and bows, baseball bats, bases, and tetherball stations.

#### Quivira Council Joins Dillon's Community Rewards Program



Did you know that you can register your Dillon's Plus card so that when you shop you can help Quivira Council, Boy Scouts of America earn rewards? All you have to do is log into your Dillon's account online, click community rewards and search Quivira Council and click enroll! It's that easy and now every time you shop you will be helping to support Quivira Council!



#### Why the Keeper of the Plains?

It is described as Wichita's Statue of Liberty and embodies the image, aspirations and soul of Wichita. The 44-foot steel sculpture erected in 1974 at the confluence of the Arkansas and Little Arkansas rivers is Blackbear Bosin's most famous work. Not only did Blackbear Bosin design the first Quivira Council flag, the Quivira Council youth and volunteers sold 10,000 commemorative medals to help raise the Keeper of the Plains statue. Quivira Council is proud of our association with this Wichita landmark.



To honor this relationship, we present "Trustworthy," the 2019 Friends of Scouting commemorative coin. "Trustworthy" is the first of 12 in the series and is the thank you gift for a Support a Scout contribution of \$334 or more for the youth of our council today and tomorrow.

#### **Ranger Requests**

These things would be really appreciated at our Camps!

- Lumber
- Thompson's sealant
- Floor cleaning machine
- Amazon gift cards that support the purchase of heavy duty tools
- Volunteer time for work days



#### You're Invited to a Ribbon Cutting!

On May 11, Quivira Council is hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony and celebrating the renovation of the waterfront at Murray Gill Lake at Quivira Scout Ranch! Barbeque lunch and boat tours of the lake. If you would like to visit for that celebration, please let us know by contacting CeCe Bowden at cecelia.bowden@scouting.org.

#### **How to Give... Endowment & Bequests**

As a donor to the Quivira Endowment, you determine where your money goes and how it will be spent. The Endowment ensures your wishes and passions are followed and supported. It is also our job to keep you informed on the status and impact of your gift or fund. Gifts to and through the Endowment may be to any Scouting entity and be used for operating, capital or Endowment needs.

For questions or comments regarding the Quivira Endowment and major gifts please contact Scout Executive, Brian Nastase at <u>brian.nastase@scouting.org</u>.