

## Quivira Council, Boy Scouts of America



### **Blackjack Trail October 28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Quivira Scout Ranch**

#### **What / Who?**

Blackjack Trail is designed for new Scouters and Units to come learn about and gain the skills necessary to be confident in performing Unit level backpacking and treks across QSR. Scouts that participate must arrive as a Unit, following Guide to Safe Scouting, or with an adult partner for the event. Participants are expected to be able to carry all of their gear on their back, in a backpack, and navigate to multiple points across QSR to their campsite, while visiting historic points along the way. Participants will be able to take back the skills that they learned to their Unit, teach other Scouts, and then allow Units to participate in their own backpacking or trek adventures across QSR.

#### **Why?**

Scouting has made promises to Scouts (youth and adult) that we would take them on adventures and allow them experiences that they might not normally have. To do so, all Scouts need to know how to plan a trek, get to a campsite, and enjoy a campout while incorporating Leave No Trace. While there are many great campsites that are friendly for trailer style camping, the best sites often require you to hike or boat to the campsite. This is the first step towards getting to those amazing campsites that are far from the parking lot.

Plus, this is a great way for Scouts to learn, practice, and earn some achievements based upon their ability to utilize their skills to navigate to the campsites and practice their low impact camping skills, in some of the best scenery in Kansas.

#### **When/Where?**

Saturday-Sunday, October 28-29, at Quivira Scout Ranch. The training will begin at 9:00am at the TSB and will participants will expect to arrive back at the TSB approximately 12:00pm on Sunday.

**Registration:** \$10 per person till October 26, 2023. Please contact Course Director, Jan Medlam, at [drmicrowave72@yahoo.com](mailto:drmicrowave72@yahoo.com), for additional details and to have questions answered.