

VISTAS



From the desk of Bruce Snead, President, FHDC Foundation Board of Directors
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Join Us October 24th Friends of the Flint Hills 2020 Online

Mark your calendars and join us from 7 to 8 Saturday night October 24th! Thanks to the creativity of Foundation and Discovery Center staff, and the help of Dave Kendall, we will be celebrating Annie Wilson, Emily Hunter Connell and the Flint Hills Map Project! Bruce Snead, Susan Adams and Kent Glasscock will be joined by teachers and members of the map project to honor and celebrate this remarkable educational initiative!



The event also serves to raise charitable gifts to support year-round educational programming at the Discovery Center. Because we are unable to complete our annual Bison, Beef & Bourbon Event, the Foundation seeks your support of this year's Friends of the Flint Hills at the following levels. We hope you can help.



An UNDERWRITER - \$5,000 Gift **A SPONSOR** - \$2,500 Gift
A BENEFACTOR - \$1,000 Gift **FUND THE NEED** - \$500 Gift

Your gift will be DOUBLED! A \$45,000 matching gift pool has been established by two Discovery Center supporters. They will match your donation to this event, dollar-for-dollar. Please mail your gifts to **FHDCF - 315 S. 3rd Street, Manhattan, KS 66502**. Your gift advances our educational programming!



Summer Camp at Capacity, Humanities Kansas Underwrites

The Discovery Center had limited capacity, but every chair was filled for youth summer camps. Physically distancing and other health protocols were followed. Susan Adams and her team made this opportunity possible for Manhattan families. 411 children participated over the course of six weeks. The Kansas Humanities Council provided a \$10,000 grant to make summer camps possible at the Discovery Center.

More and more families are seeking out the Discovery Center for educational opportunities as COVID-19 continues to disrupt monthly routines. Watch for additional digital programming being prepared by the Discovery Center staff for this Fall. The ingenuity and dedication of Discovery Center staff has been a wonderful gift during the last six months!



Friends of the Flint Hills Inductees

Since 2012, the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation has honored individuals and institutions that have made advocating for the Flint Hills a life's pursuit.

- 2012 - Jane Koger
- 2013 – Brian Obermeyer
- 2014 - Kansas State University
- 2015 – Jim & Cathy Hoy
- 2016 - Nancy Landon Kassebaum
- 2017 - Symphony in the Flint Hills
- 2018 - Carol & Scott Ritchie
- 2019 - Marty Vanier

Through their advocacy, volunteerism or financial support, these individuals have worked to advance the conservation and promotion of this remarkable landscape. Join us in celebrating our 2020 honorees on-line Saturday night October 24th! (Nancy Kassebaum and Bruce Snead pictured.)

Resumes are being accepted. With the retirement of V Marie Martin this Spring, the Foundation is seeking qualified applicants to be its next executive director. Please go to <https://www.flinthillsdiscovery.org/151/FHDC-Foundation> to review the position description. If you are interested please email your resume and cover letter to me, Bruce Snead, at fhdcfoundation1@gmail.com

Ken Wold is known to the Flint Hills community and the State as the retired executive director of Camp Wood YMCA. We are fortunate to call him new member of the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation Board of Directors. For 23 years he led Camp Wood YMCA culminating in Camp's 100th birthday in 2015. Ken, his board and staff oversaw \$20 million of capital improvements to the Chase County camp; and saw annual attendance to exceed 6,000. His commitment to the Flint Hills included service on the Symphony In The Flint Hills board of directors, the Chase County Chamber of Commerce, and much more. Ken shares his wife's (Mollie) passion for education and children. Mollie spent her career as a public schoolteacher. We are grateful for his leadership and involvement in the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation!

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