



# 2013

## WaterPAC raises \$7,350 at KRWA conference



Darrell Schlabach, Washington RWD 1, won the *Patriotic Puzzle* quilt at the WaterPAC Raffle.



Robert Miller, Montgomery RWD 2



Dean Hermesch, City of Olpe

A total of \$7,350 was raised during the 2013 KRWA conference to benefit WaterPAC, the National Rural Water Association's political action committee. The WaterPAC Raffle is one way that the Kansas Rural Water Association (NRWA) conference-goers can support the legislative efforts of the NRWA. In addition to raising funds for WaterPAC, the process also provides an opportunity for the KRWA directors to visit with scores of attendees.

Water and wastewater systems in Kansas benefit from the legislative representation of NRWA in Washington. NRWA works in support of reasonableness in regulations dealing with water and wastewater utilities. For example, it was the NRWA and its state affiliates who led the effort to ask Congress to end the mailing requirement of the Consumer Confidence Reports. That was just one of the many ways that power in an association was apparent. Work by NRWA and state affiliates has also helped keep legislative focus on reauthorization of various loan and grant funding programs and training and technical assistance programs that directly benefit water and wastewater utilities.

Donations were made by 279 individuals. KRWA contributed the prizes for the raffle so 100 percent of the donations go to WaterPAC.

KRWA and NRWA appreciate the support for WaterPAC during the KRWA conference. Donations in prior years have been as follows: 2005 - \$3,001; 2006 - \$3,000; 2007 - \$4,324; 2008 - \$4,692; 2009 - 6,110; 2010 - \$5,073; 2011 - \$5,065; 2012 - \$7,193. Donations in the eight years total \$45,808.

### WaterPAC Raffle Winners

Prize	Winner	System
13-Piece Cookware Set	Dawn Blume	IET Consulting
Stihl Weedeater	Paul Meyer	Jim Jolly Sales
Coby 39-inch LED TV	Juan Delgado	City of Gardner
Craftsman 19.2-V Combo Pack	Chad Kirk	City of Minneola
Stihl MM 55 Tiller	Wendell Peacock	Ottawa RWD 1
Craftsman 2600 Power Washer	Donna Koch	City of Axtell
Kitchen Aid Stand Mixer	Kyla Schlabach	Washington RWD 1
Quilt: <i>Patriotic Puzzle</i>	Darrell Schlabach	Washington RWD 1
Dyson Ball DC40 Vacuum	Nancy Ogle	Ogle Law LLC
Craftsman 12-inch		
Compound Miter Saw	Dean Hermesch	City of Olpe
Trek Mountain Bike	Robert Miller	Montgomery RWD 2
Keurig Elite Coffee Maker	Freddy Pitts	Franklin RWD 4
Stihl 16-inch Chain Saw	Doug Byarlay	Riley RWD 1
Traeger Smoker / Grill	Dustin Pflumm	DanCo Systems
Craftsman Shop Vac	Harold Turner	Leavenworth RWD 7



## Three lucky registrants take home Grand Prize Quilts

**T**hree lucky winners went home with great grand door prizes. Three beautifully crafted, pieced quilts were door prizes drawn for on Wednesday evening and two, at the Thursday noon luncheon.

Jon Bolinder, City of Alma, chose *Fall Foliage*, when his banquet ticket was drawn on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday, *Faceted Jewels*, with its more than 2,000 pieces was awarded to Jeff Priddle, City of Maize. Jeff had to depart before the drawing in order to be in the operators' certification exam.

David Dehn's name was drawn for the quilt, *Trade Winds*. David is from Osage RWD 6.

The quilt, *Patriotic Puzzle*, was a prize in the WaterPAC raffle; it was won by Darrell Schlabach, Washington RWD 1. (See page 84 for more).

Kathleen Ronnebaum pieced all four quilts. The tradition of having quilts as grand prizes at KRWA conferences was started in 1984. Through 2013's conference, KRWA conference-goers have taken home 73 quilts as grand prizes. And, the design and piecing of four more for 2014 is underway as of June 1.



*Faceted Jewels* won by Jeff Priddle, city of Maize



*Fall Foliage* won by Jon Bolinder, city of Alma



*Trade Winds* won by David Dehn, Osage RWD 6

## 2014 KRWA CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

March 25 - 27, Century II Convention Center, Wichita, KS  
 "Watch [www.krwa.net](http://www.krwa.net) for listing of hotel room blocks  
 and other information for 2014".