

# Area teens take part in mission trips

Teens For Christ Connection, an interdenominational youth ministry based out of Phillipsburg, Kansas, recently took 40 teenagers and 22 adults on three different mission trips traveling 8900 miles.

TFC (Teens for Christ) is a year-round disciple-making ministry that does a lot more than just host mission trips. TFC is a not-for-profit ministry that reaches out to the American teenager in the rural Kansas setting. This is done through weekly meetings and monthly rallies during the school year along with a summer camp program. TFC has several groups spread throughout northwest Kansas and southern Nebraska. Mission trip is a great way for teens from across the area to come together and serve the Lord.

This year, as we set out on three different destinations, we focused on what it means to live "Dangerously" for God. Many of our mission trips are like this. We don't always know what we will be doing, or what God will do when we get there, but He always shows us when we get there what we are supposed to do.

The first trip was to Covenant Heights Christian Camp near Estes Park, Colorado. The team helped prepare the camp for their summer camping season by moving and even making bunk beds, deep cleaning and doing minor repairs to the camp, which included painting, and making benches for the outdoor amphitheater. They even got to witness snow in late May/early June! The team spent a

day hiking up to the continental divide where they played in the snow and took in the awesome views!

TFC teens that served on this trip were: Evangeline Colarossi, Camden Cox, Stephen Cummings, Sheila Elmore, Luke Koerperich, Talia Lowry, Brianna Martin, Robert Reuther, Clayton Rundle, Eva Shada, Isaac Sustar, and Brittany Wright. Larry Taylor led the trip along with Lewis Smith, Abbie Ponstein, and Noah Hansen. Adult volunteers were Rhonda Plummer, TerriRose, John and Jan Sater.

The Jamaica team also left on May 27th. They spent seven days in Jamaica where they served alongside Jim and Penie Koch of Kingdom Builders Ministry in the communities surrounding Whitehouse, Westmoreland on the southwestern coast of the island. The team stayed in their home- "My Father's House"- where they host teams and frequently take in children who are in bad living situations.

They spent their days reaching the communities in different ways by playing with the children, singing songs, and sharing about Jesus through conversations and a melodrama. One day the team carried water in five gallon jugs to fill the 55 gallon barrels in front of each family's home. The water is shared in a neighborhood where it is sporadic as to when the water flows. The team also helped a man clear brush and trees in order to have a place to build a house. On another day, they helped deliver, mix, and pour concrete to help another family

build their home.

The team had the chance to visit YS Falls on their day off from ministry. They enjoyed swimming in the falls and zip lining! The team arrived back in Kansas on the 5th of June.

TFC teens who served on this trip are: Cynthia Bressler, Heather Harshbarger, Taylor Jackman, Kiersten Klinger, Caleb Koerperich, Michelle Kramer, Erika Prather, Laura Thompson, Megan Wagner, and Jude Wallinger. This trip was headed up by Doug Mason, Brian Fischer, April Teves and Ashley Losey.

On May 29th, the third team left for Cary Mississippi. The team served alongside Cary Christian Center. TFC has been partnering with Cary for over 25 years. The team helped a man do major repairs to his trailer home that the city was going to condemn. They moved trash, cleaned up the trailer & painted, tore out a wall and replaced it and most of all- they gave him hope!

In another lady's home the team helped complete a kitchen project that had been started 5 years ago and a roofing repair job that soon turned into a major project as the roof had to be rebuilt! In all, about 26 projects were completed while the team was there.

The highlight of traveling was spending a day at the Creation Museum in Kentucky. They arrived back in Kansas on June 10th.

TFC teens who served on this trip are: Ame Baird, Sarah Baird, Brant Cox, Brandon



Teens for Christ youth help to build a home on their mission trip. In the front are Kiersten Klinger of Phillipsburg, Laura Thompson of Hutchinson, Heather Harshbarger of Ingalls, in the back ground. In the house are Jude Wallinger and Caleb Koerperich from Oberlin. The gentleman in the front shoveling the concrete into the bucket is the Executive Director Brian Fischer.

Courtesy photo

Feik, Kaitlyn Garwood, Jesse Jackson, Anisha Kuehn, Jozef Kuehn, Christian Lewis, Eli Lowry, Michael Noren, Ashley Peterson, Kinze Reimer, Allison Saunders, Jonah Smith, Michaela Sorenson, and Tea Van Paten. The team was led by Rob Lewis, Ethan Rose, Janice Lundquist, and Lavonne Ponstein. Adult volunteers were Phoenix Davidovich, Kimberly Lueking,

Anna Cummings, Ryan Lueking and Matt Lueking.

All three of these mission trips had different destinations, different experiences, and different people to experience it with. We learned that life is not all about us; there's a much bigger picture than just what we see. Living 'dangerously' means being obedient to God even when we don't know what

He is going to do when we get there. It's sometimes a tough lesson to learn, but totally worth it in the end! The group is very grateful for the people of this community and the surrounding areas. Many of them supported teens with financial gifts which are the only way these trips are possible.



Kansas Biggest Rodeo in Phillipsburg attracts thousands of fans and hundreds of cowboys, cowgirls, horses, and bulls to town. This year's 84th annual event is August 1-3.

- Photo by JJJ Photo.

## Annual tradition returns to Phillipsburg in August

Kansas Biggest Rodeo will run August 1-3 north of Phillipsburg at the rodeo grounds.

The event, which has taken place since 1929, attracts about 15,000 people to town over its three day run and is a big social event, says Phillipsburg resident Mike Erhart. "It's a time to get together, and to enjoy each other. It's a big family event, and a big boost for our economy."

New to the rodeo this year are its clown and specialty act. Justin Rumford, Ponca City, Okla., will be rodeo clown and barrelman, and is no stranger to Phillipsburg. He competed there in high school, and drove truck for stock contractor Bennie Beutler for a few years before becoming a rodeo clown. "He's very entertaining," says Rod Innes, rodeo chairman. "He's really found his calling as a rodeo clown. Phillipsburg fans were first introduced to Justin during the downpour at the Friday night rodeo in 2009. "He took the microphone with Randy Corley, and was really funny, and that's when we had an idea that he would be great to hire as a clown." Justin's career has skyrocketed in the last few years," Innes says. "He's the hottest barrelman out there right now. He's working rodeos across the country. We were fortunate to be able to book him this year." He is the 2012 PRCA Clown of the Year.

Specialty act is Kenny Petet's chuckwagon races, Stephenville, Texas. Chuckwagon races are hard to come by, Innes said, and fans really enjoy them. "People love the speed, and the competition in a small arena like Phillipsburg is good entertainment. We were fortunate enough to run across Petet in Las Vegas."

Kansas Biggest Rodeo fans love their sport and are passionate about it. "When we get into summer, everybody starts talking rodeo," says Erhart, CEO of Prairie Horizon Agri-Energy. "It's a big thing for us. We have rodeo old-timers (in town), and they'll tell you about the old days. The passion they have gets me all excited and giddy about it."

Tickets go on sale July 1 at Heritage Insurance in Phillipsburg. Reserved ticket prices are

\$15 for adults and \$11 for kids ages three to twelve. General admission ticket prices are \$13 for adults and \$10 for kids. Tickets can be purchased over the phone

with a major credit card or in person at the store at 685 Third Street (785-543-2448). For more information, visit KansasBiggestRodeo.com.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### •BOARD VACANCY NOTICE•

Published in The Norton Telegram on Tuesday, June 25, 2013

(1T)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2022, of a vacancy in the membership of the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 212, Norton County, Kansas, and that such vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Education for the remainder of the unexpired term (June 30, 2017) not sooner than fifteen (15) days following publication of this notice. Such vacancy exists by reasons of the resignation of Shane Baird, board member District #2 (position 6).

### •PUBLIC NOTICE• NOTICE OF SUIT

Published in The Norton Telegram Tuesday, June 25, July 2, and July 9, 2013.

(3T)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Flagstar Bank, F.S.B. Plaintiff, vs. Pamela A. Bigge, et al. Defendants.  
Case No. 13CV10 Court Number: Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Norton County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Norton County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at Norton, Norton County, Kansas, on July 16, 2013, at 10:00 A.M., the following real estate:

A tract of land located in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4NE/4) of Section Two (2), Township Three (3) South, Range Twenty-three (23) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Norton County, Kansas; more particularly described as follows and assuming the North line of said Northeast Quarter (NE/4) bears South 90°00'00" West. Commencing at the Northeast corner of said section thence South 90°00'00" West 923.13 feet to a point on the section line; thence South 00°37'00" East 29.23 feet to a point on the South right-of-way line of county road and the true point of beginning; thence South 00°37'00" East 358.46 feet to a point; thence North 88°20'33" West 384.77 feet to a point; thence North 00°55'00" East 349.02 feet to a point on the South right-of-way line of county road; thence South 89°44'42" East 374.42 feet on said right-of-way line to the true point of beginning. Said tract containing 3.08 acres, more or less, commonly known as 16786 KQNK Road, Norton, KS 67654 (the "Property")

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court. For more information, visit www.Southlaw.com <http://www.southlaw.com>

Troy Thomson, Sheriff,  
Norton County, Kansas

Prepared By:

South & Associates, P.C.  
Megan Cello (KS #24167)  
6363 College Blvd., Suite 100 Overland Park, KS 66211  
(913) 663-7600 (913) 663-7899 (Fax)  
Attorneys For Plaintiff (137484)

## Community Calendar



Please submit your events for the  
Community Calendar  
which is printed in the Monday EXTRA.  
Events may be e-mailed to:  
nortontelegram@nwkansas.com  
or mailed to 215 South Kansas Avenue

THE NORTON  
TELEGRAM

215 S. Kansas Ave.  
Norton, Kan.  
67654

785-877-3361

For help  
with your  
advertising  
needs please  
give Dana  
a call 877-  
3361  
email:  
dpaxton@  
nwkansas.com