

Students go on summer mission trip

David and Adam Guthmiller, both students at Sterling College, went with a mission team to Thailand this summer.

David, co-leader of the team, left on May 16 and spent a total of 12 days in the country. His brother joined the team later.

The ministry they are involved in is with the organization called Self Help and Empowerment (SHE). The organization is aimed at getting women working in the hundreds of bars on Bangla Road, the red light district of Phuket, Thailand, out of that environment.

Getting them out is done by offering them an opportunity to learn English as well as skills such as baking, cooking, sewing, jewelry making and hotel receptionists. These skills help them make a living for themselves away from the red light district.

We would go out into the red light district, David said, and meet the girls, trying to build a relationship with them and introduce the Self Help and Empowerment organization to them.

On May 31, David flew from Bangkok, Thailand, to Istanbul, Turkey where he met up with Adam and the rest of the team he was leading to Tanzania. From Istanbul, they flew to Dar es Salaam where they met with the contact and started an eight-hour van ride to the village of Sangombe where they stayed.

Their ministry in Tanzania was mainly focused on evangelism. They would go to the other villages in the area and tell the good news of Jesus Christ and their stories.

We were also able to do door-to-door evangelism, David said. That is where we had the opportunity to have one-on-one interaction with some of the villagers.

Both men agreed that the living conditions in Tanzania were extremely poor. There was no running water and no electricity.

It took a day or so to get used to it, David said, but, once we got used to it, it was no big deal at all.

It really made me appreciate what we have in the United States, Adam said.

While there, the men did have an opportunity to do some fun things. David, while in Thailand, rode elephants and toured Phi Phi Island where they were able to go snorkeling and saw some "amazing scenery."

The last day in Tanzania, David and Adam went on a safari. We saw all the animals that you would expect to see in Africa, Adam said, such as elephants, giraffes and hippos.

The only wild animal that we didn't see, David said, was a lion.

When asked what the highlight of the trip was, Adam said that the entire trip was a highlight.

"This was my first trip out of the country," he said.



ADAM GUTHMILLER visits with some boys from Thailand during his mission trip.

David, who has been on two other mission trips to Guatemala, had deeper insights and saw many "highlights."

I was disappointed when I found out that I wasn't going to be able to go back to Guatemala, David said. I just asked God to challenge me and he definitely answered 100 percent. I was truly blessed to go to both of these countries and experience all that I did.

Helping the girls out of the red light district on Bangla Road was a highlight he said, as well as seeing God's work in such amazing ways both on Bangla Road and in Tanzania was amazing.

"We were able to see people come to Christ while we were there," he said.

David was gone for a total of 28 days with little or no contact with his family. He had nine flights with 57 hours in the air. Five of the flights were by himself and he was alone for a day in both Thailand and Tanzania with no one to talk to but a translator.

The trips, David said, were a growing experience. I really learned a lot about myself and what I am capable of.

Both men are headed back to Sterling College. This is David's last full year and he is double majoring in biology and education. Adam is majoring in elementary education.

They are the sons of John and Kristi Guthmiller, St. Francis.



DAVID GUTHMILLER mows down weeds.

County collects several more tons recycled items

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Cheyenne County is one of eight members of the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Center and ranks fifth in population of the eight members. However, the county takes in more tons of recycled items than six of the other counties.

Other counties participating in the recycling center include Thomas, Gove, Scott, Sheridan, Logan, Decatur and Rawlins. Thomas County is the largest county and from January through June, brought in 160.09 tons with Cheyenne County following at 75.3 tons. Gove County recorded 74.4 tons; Scott County (second largest county), 68.68 tons; Sheridan, 64.1 tons; Logan, 47.6 tons; Decatur, 40.7 tons; and Rawlins, 36.7 tons.

Cheyenne County's recycling center is located in St. Francis and is operated by the city. However, with the increasing tonnage of recyclables, the city council is asking the county for additional funding. Roger Jensen, St. Francis city councilman, and J.R. Landenberger, St. Francis superintendent, were at the July 31 commissioners' meeting to report the increased figures as well as ask the commissioners for \$2,000 a month to help fill the position of a full-time employee at the recycling center.

Each week, a truck comes to St. Francis from the main center in Colby to pick up recyclable items.

In the last six months, the St. Francis center collected 7.1 tons newspaper; 11.7 tons magazines; 29 tons cardboard; 4.4 tons chipboard; 2.8 tons junk mail; 1.2 tons shredded paper; 1.6 tons tin cans; 3 tons plastic; 8.36 tons glass; 1 ton aluminum cans; 1 ton books; and 5 tons clothing.

The center, Mr. Jensen said, has already kept over 75 tons out of the county landfill and by the end of the year, we will have kept approximately 150 tons out of the landfill.

The commissioners have been concerned about the rate the landfill is filling up. There is limited space to expand the dump and they have been looking at equipment to compact the trash. However, to comply with Kansas Department of Health and Environment regulations, they are probably going to have to hire an additional person at the landfill.

The commissioners told Mr. Jensen and Mr. Landenberger that they will be finalizing next year's budget and will take their request into consideration.

Board appointment

Mr. Jensen said that Cheyenne County needs a position filled on the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Center board and suggested Adam Peter, new landfill supervisor, be appointed. The commissioners made the appointment.

Others on the board are Mr. Jensen and Andy Beikman, commissioner, who is an alternate.

Two Hummer thieves arrested in Atwood

A man and woman were arrested in Atwood on Tuesday after they were caught trying to sell a H3 Hummer that had been reported stolen from a Goodland restaurant.

The Goodland Police Department received the report Tuesday, and when officers were unable to immediately locate the vehicle in the Goodland area, they contacted numerous other agencies to ensure that they all knew about the stolen vehicle. While police officers and Sherman County Sheriff's deputies continued to search the area, officers in Atwood reported locating the car in their jurisdiction. They were able to take two people into custody

who were allegedly trying to sell the car.

Floyd C. Coates Jr. of St. Francis and Fallan Perkins of Abilene were transported to the Sherman County Jail, where they were booked for felony theft, felony obstruction of justice and driving with suspended license.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Prec.
July 31	98	65	
Aug. 1	101	67	T
Aug. 2	95	64	
Aug. 3	98	62	
Aug. 4	83	52	
Aug. 5	93	57	
Aug. 6	103	67	

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