

# Phillipsburg Rodeo tickets now available

Tickets go on sale July 1 for the annual Kansas' Biggest Rodeo in Phillipsburg.

Named as one of Kansas Tourism's "34 Faces and Places" for 2011, it will be held Aug. 4-6 at the rodeo grounds north of town.

The rodeo will feature several hundred cowboys and cowgirls competing for over \$100,000. The rodeo is the destination for about 15,000 fans over the three-day event, and it's been going on since 1929.

"It's maintained its popular-

ity," said Tad Felts, long time radio favorite on KKAN-KQMA and Phillipsburg resident. "A lot of things wane through the years, but the rodeo in Phillipsburg continues to grow."

This year's rodeo features two specialty acts: "the Wild Child" Troy Lerwill, and Big Horse Productions. Lerwill is barrelman and rodeo clown who jumps a truck and trailer with his motorbike. Big Horse Productions does a variety of trick riding, vaulting and Roman riding on eight Belgian horses.

The rodeo isn't the only activity in town that week. The Phillips County Fair takes place, and both events "encompass a lot of people," Felts said. Traffic can even get congested. "If you don't head out to the rodeo at 4 p.m.," Felts jokes, "you're stuck in a traffic jam."

Heritage Insurance Group, the former Tri-County Insurance, is the ticket outlet for the rodeo. Its doors open at 8 a.m. and tickets go on sale July 1. Tickets can be purchased in person or by calling Heritage Insurance at 785-543-2448. All major credit cards are accepted.

Reserved tickets for adults are \$14 and for kids ages 3-12 are \$10. General admission tickets for adults are \$12 and for kids are \$9. Children ages 2 and under are free. For more information, visit [www.KansasBiggestRodeo.com](http://www.KansasBiggestRodeo.com), call 785-543-2448, or visit the rodeo's Facebook page.



Phillipsburg's Biggest Rodeo has started ticket sales so be sure not to miss out on all of the action which will take place Aug. 4 through Aug. 6. Come see all of the cowboys and girls strut their stuff, not to mention the livestock.

# Norton Andbe Home to celebrate 50th birthday

The Andbe Home will be celebrating its 50th birthday on Sunday, July 24.

A \$50 prize will be awarded to the resident who has a family member or friend who registers and has traveled the most miles. Another \$50 will be awarded to the resident with the most family members or guests registered. Instant prizes will be awarded throughout the day from trivia questions and drawings after registering.

Registration begins at 12 p.m. At 1:30 p.m. there will be Poker Run Tours (Inside). Tours will be conducted by staff in groups of two to eight people. The cost is \$1 to participate. Participants will receive information about the fifty years Andbe Home has been in this building and a card at five locations inside the building from famous card dealers. At the conclusion of the tour, the poker hands will be tallied and at the end of the day participants will receive 20 percent of the proceeds from the poker run with the Andbe Home Activity Fund receiving the 80 percent.

Also at 1:30 p.m., Prairie Meadows, Bieber Cottage and Andbe Home Ground Tour plan to hold

tours in 1961 automobiles. The Lyman Rowhs and the Doug Johnstons will open their apartments for you to enjoy.

Sonya Montgomery, board member, will award prizes at 2:45 p.m. Plans are for several gift cards to be awarded for local businesses.

At 3 p.m. is the turtle races in the gazebo area. The three turtles in the gazebo area are up to the challenge of races.

Planned for 3:30 p.m. is the Dream to Reward Program in the activity room. Norton County Commissioner John Miller, Ruth Burd, Andbe Home Board President, Nancy McGinnis, Administrator, and Nancy Seblius with Living Tombstone of Bessie Bieber will all be giving remarks.

At the reception, birthday cake and punch will be served at 4:45 p.m. Also during the reception there will be songs and silliness by residents Sue Ann Stutheit and Darlene McEwen.

The closing ceremony is at 5:15 p.m. Gregg Ankenman, Jerry Hawks, Steve Hawks, Dave Graham and 50 children will bury the time capsule to be used for future ceremonies.

# State sets aside \$13.2 million dollars for small businesses

Gov. Sam Brownback and the U.S. Department of the Treasury announced recently \$13.2 million in State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) funding to help create new, private sector jobs.

The SSBCI program, which supports state-level, small business lending programs, is part of the Small Business Jobs Act signed into law last fall.

The planned use of the SSBCI funds by Kansas also will help spur more than \$132 million in new private lending in the state. Kansas expects to generate a minimum of \$10 in new private lending for every \$1 in federal funding.

The plan approved by Kansas dedicates \$10.5 million to the Kansas Capital Multiplier Loan Fund, which provides matching funds through approved network

partners to eligible businesses in communities across Kansas. The Kansas Department of Commerce will work in collaboration with the Kansas Center for Entrepreneurship, more commonly known as NetWork Kansas, and its partner network.

Entrepreneurs and existing small businesses access this fund by working closely with local or regional financial institutions, NetWork Kansas partners and angel investment networks.

Kansas also intends to allocate approximately \$2.6 million to the Kansas Capital Multiplier Venture Fund, which helps spur new capital investments for second stage businesses. Entrepreneurs and existing small businesses access this fund by working closely with local or regional financial institutions, NetWork Kansas

partners and angel investment networks.

Under the State Small Business Credit Initiative, all states are offered the opportunity to apply for federal funds for state-run programs that partner with private lenders to increase the amount of credit available to small businesses. States must demonstrate a reasonable expectation that a minimum of \$10 in new private lending will result from every \$1 in federal funding.

Accordingly, the overall \$1.5 billion federal funding commitment for this program is expected to result in at least \$15 billion in additional private lending nationwide.

For more information about the SSBCI, please visit [www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sb-programs/Pages/ssbci.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sb-programs/Pages/ssbci.aspx).

# KU digitizes slices of history online

A \$30,000 grant has helped the University of Kansas Libraries digitize and deliver slices of history in the form of highly detailed, full-color maps that document 241 cities and towns in Kansas. Norton is included.

The Sanborn Map Company created maps of cities across the United States at intervals of four or five years, starting in the late 1860s. The maps provided insurance underwriters with information about the locations of businesses, the structures in which they were located and any information needed to assess their liability for insurance purposes, such as building materials used. Now they show how cities changed and grew over time and offer insights into Kansas history.

"There's a tremendous amount of detail - where windows were located, number of stories to a building, roof composition," Sherry Williams, curator of col-

lections at Kenneth Spencer Research Library, said of the maps. "Historians, historic preservationists, architects and city planners love these maps, and making them freely available online will bring them to whole new audiences."

Before this project, visitors to KU's Spencer Research Library could see and use the complete set of print maps for Kansas, but no color digital versions were available online until now.

The grant, from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, funded the digitization of the maps documenting Kansas cities and towns from 1883 through 1922 (which are now in the public domain); KULibraries provided the online home for the digital collection, comprising 5,245 images, at <http://cds.lib.ku.edu/sanborn-maps>. The collection is searchable by city, county and date.

Williams served as the project

director, and Wade Garrison, librarian with the Center for Digital Scholarship at KU Libraries, was the project manager.

Spencer Research Library and its staff are dedicated to the preservation of diverse collections ranging from medieval manuscripts and other rare books to Kansas historical records to national political documents. For more information, visit <http://spencer.lib.ku.edu>.

The Center for Digital Scholarship supports KU's evolving research environment with expertise and tools for creating and using digital scholarship to enhance research, teaching, and learning at KU.

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission promotes the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history and culture.

# Clinic

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"With the projected nursing shortage over the next few years, we're excited to help Colby Community College expand their programming," Miller said.

"As a hospital, we haven't had to use an agency (to hire nurses) for several years because many of the graduates from the college's nursing program are hired at the hospital."

# Biking

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Ranging in age from 19 to 26, the men and women will cover 4,000 miles in 70 days and see 12 states in the process.

The group departed Baltimore on May 29 and exactly one month from that date, rolled into Norton for an overnight stop. The group camped out in the Norton Junior High school gym and planned to leave town at daybreak on Thursday.

The riders are natives of several different states, along with England and Singapore, but each have a connection to Baltimore in some way.

Having just finished half of their total trip mileage the day before riding into Norton, a few of the adventures reflected on their experience so far, especially some of their unexpected challenges. "We were chased by dogs in Kentucky," one rider reflected. "They would just come out of nowhere and chase us and that happened

the whole time we were in Kentucky. We were expecting to have to deal with rain and wind, but not dogs. That was an unexpected challenge for all of us."

As much as feral dogs, though, the cyclists have found a true enemy in the sometimes relentless midwest wind.

"The wind is much worse than the rain or storms," a rider emphasized. "We were looking forward to getting into Kansas because it was a short day and supposed to be flat, but into the wind was like riding up a hill all day long."

On average, the group is riding 70 to 80 miles a day and as can be expected, spend much of their time being exhausted and hungry, conditions that are partially alleviated by frequent "Brad Pit Stops." The name of their water breaks correspond with the names of their support vans, dubbed "Fifteena Turner" and "Vangelina."

More than half way through their journey, the riders admit that

prior to deciding to ride across the country, most of them had spent very little time cycling, calling themselves "complete novices" going through "baptism by fire" on the cross-country trip.

The group expects to finish the trip in San Francisco on Aug. 6, where some of them will return to Baltimore and some will stay in San Francisco to pursue other interests. The riders reflect that they are enjoying everything about their adventure (with the exception of constant exhaustion), but most of all, they are enjoying getting to talk to new people everywhere they go.

"We like to do community service in the towns we pass through if we get the chance," one rider said. "We like to get to know people and talk about our mission to raise money and awareness for cancer research. Everybody has a cancer story and it's been a great experience to hear those stories across the country."

Antique Dish & Collectible Auction McEwen Auction Saturday – July 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2011 – 10:00a.m. 4-H Building – Park Street – Norton, Kansas		
<p><b>COLLECTIONS &amp; MISCELLANEOUS:</b> Fountain Pen Collection Including 14 Lots of Fountain Pens, Oil Filled Novelty Pins, Mexican Ball Point, 5 Lots Pen Sets, Military Pens, Lighter Collection, Bell Collection, Thimble Collection, Scrapbooking /Crafting, Money Clips, Looney Tune Warner, Baby Spoons</p> <p><b>APPLIANCES:</b> Refrigerator Up Right Freezer Microwave 2 Electric Ranges Whirl Pool Washer, Whirl Pool Dryer 25,000 BTU Window Air Conditioner</p> <p><b>LINENS:</b> Sheets, Pillowcases, Blankets, Dillies, 2 Mexican Sombrero Hats</p> <p><b>PAPER GOODS:</b> Books – Some Bound Collections (See Special Consignment of Bobby Annon)</p> <p><b>FURNITURE:</b> Small Dining Room Table &amp; Chairs Full Size Mattress Armoire Dresser Chairs Hoosier Type Cupboard (Flour &amp; Sugar Bins) 50 year old Console China Hutch Desk Hutch Combination Glider Rocker Assorted Lamps Assorted End Tables Steel Folding Chairs Wicker Storage Trunks</p> <p><b>TOOLS &amp; MISCELLANEOUS:</b> Electric Hedge Trimmers, New Shovel, 4 Wood Doors (See Special Consignment of Bobby Annon)</p> <p><b>KITCHEN ITEMS:</b> Usual Run of Kitchen Items</p>	<p><b>SPECIAL CONSIGNMENT FROM BOBBY ANNON:</b></p> <p><b>KNIVES</b> – Including – Ramur Best Steel Fish Knife, 5 Cases, Camillus, 2 Western, 2 Colonia, Vancura &amp; Son, Law Implement Co. Schrade, Imperial Key, Kutmaster, Purina,</p> <p><b>RAZORS</b> – Including Shumate, Shapleigh-Hdwe. Co. Blerd, A Witte, Landers Frapy &amp; Clark, Simon Pure Cutlery Co. Magnetize, ged Hweyer Cutlery. Co.</p> <p><b>BOOKS</b> – Including Roy Rogers &amp; Dale Evans, Cowboys &amp; Cattle Country, Zane Grey, Memories of Chief Red Fox, Boy Ranchers at Spur Creek, Great Gunfighter of Kansas Cow Towns, Queen of Cow Towns, Dodge City, Great Western Indian Fights, Cow Town Abilene, North American Indian Sign Language</p> <p><b>PICTURES</b> – Including The Red Ryder Family, John Wayne, Gene Autry, Other Western Characters, Framed Puzzle of Gene Autry</p> <p><b>TOOLS:</b> Craftsman Open End Wrenches 3/4" to 1 1/8" Other Boxed &amp; Open End Wrenches S Wrenches Small Wrenches Crescent Wrenches Vise Grips Extension Cords Oil Cans Socket Sets 1/4" &amp; 1/2" Chains Hand Saws Meat Saws Some Antique Tools Small Cabinet of Wood Chisels &amp; Plugs (Like New) Craftsman Staple &amp; Small Brad Nail Gun Hammers Tie Downs Screw Drivers Level Garden Hose on flat S Pole New Moen Fawcett, 2 Boxes Router Bits</p>	<p><b>DISHES:</b> 60 Pieces Fostoria American 16 Pieces Fostoria Romance 21 Pieces Fostoria Century 6 Fostoria Thistle Stems 5 Amber, 1 Green Fostoria Royal Stems Heisey Athena Oval 3 Part Relish 21 Pieces Cambridge Cascade 5 Pieces Clear Cambridge Apple Blossom 25 Pieces Clear Canterbury 2 Westmoreland White Beaded Grape Boxes 11 Pieces Pink &amp; Blue Stems Jamestown 39 Pieces Clear S Pattern Florentine # 1 &amp; #2 18 Blue Clear Stems 32 Clear Colonial – Knives &amp; Forks Many Wall Pockets Many Pieces Franciscan Pottery – Larkspur Pattern 2 Cookie Jars 40 Pieces Franciscan Pottery Yellow Catalina Pattern 10 Pieces Amber Normandy 11 English Hobnail Tumblers 11 Clear Ring Stems 3 Pieces Clear Anniversary 3 Clear Heritage Bowls 4 Pieces Clear Diana Lenox Pieces Fenton Pieces Rose Pattern Dish Set</p>
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<p><b>Duane R. McEwen</b> Auctioneer – Salesperson East Hwy 36 – 601 East Holme Norton, KS 67654 Phone 785-877-3032</p>	<p><b>AUCTIONEER NOTES:</b> The dishes are good in this auction for July 9, 2011. There are many items not listed but there will be the usual good run of household items. The Bobby Annon Consignment continues to be very sought after collectibles as he continues to offer his various specialty items. Join my crew and me for this "AFTER THE 4th BANG UP" auction and be all "fired up" to take home some great antique dishes and collectibles. See you then!</p>	<p><b>Sales Tax will be Collected Lunch Stand Available</b></p>