

Oklahoma & North Texas Milestones

Calendar Year 2011

Overview

In 2010 <u>Justice For All</u> (JFA) launched a new strategic initiative—the addition of Regional Managers to help grow the quantity and quality of our trained volunteers. JFA selected John Michener as its Oklahoma and North Texas Regional Manager. His efforts in 2010 were split between raising his salary and working part-time as a JFA team member.

Since 2007, when John joined FJA's volunteer team, JFA has trained pro-life advocates in selected <u>churches</u>, schools, campus clubs, and community organizations in central Oklahoma and North Texas. First as a volunteer, then working part-time in 2010, and as a full-time staff person in 2011, John has greatly enhanced current relationships and developed new relationships toward JFA's mission to train thousands to make abortion unthinkable for millions, one person at a time.

Private Christian Schools

Christian Heritage Academy (CHA), through its <u>Salt & Light</u> leadership program, has been a committed training partner since 2007. Thanks to CHA's commitment to growing their leadership program, we are now developing a training program for the Salt & Light coaches so that they can function as JFA trainers and mentors in upcoming events. CHA's sixth annual JFA training is scheduled for fall 2012.

Southwest Covenant School (SCS) was added as a training partner in 2010 and 2011. Their juniors and



seniors participated in JFA's training program as a part of their bible class curriculum. Training for SCS has been scheduled for fall 2012.

Community Christian School (CCS) hosted JFA's training seminar ("Seat Work") in 2010, and allowed a few students to voluntarily participate in a JFA mission trip ("Feet Work") to the University of Oklahoma (OU). In 2011 CCS committed to a more formal partnership in which all juniors and seniors participated in Seat Work at their school and Feet Work to the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO) as a part of their bible class curriculum. During the two-day outreach at UCO, juniors attended the first day, while seniors attended the second day. Several of the juniors were so profoundly impacted by their experiences on the UCO campus that they begged their principal to allow them to return the second day. Their request was granted. Seat Work and Feet Work training for CCS is scheduled again for fall 2012.



So why do we focus so much attention on training high school students? First, because our leadership training program helps Christian schools fulfill their missions of creating Christian disciples who engage their culture. Second, we believe we need to reach students with the truth about abortion as early as possible, and that means investing heavily in childhood and adolescent training programs. Finally, these same high school students whom have been trained with an accurate Christian view of abortion will graduate and become salt and light on large public college campuses across the country.

Campus Clubs



University pro-life clubs are essential partners for giving high school and college students opportunity and experience in being good ambassadors. Since beginning a pro-life club at OU and partnering with the Baptist Collegiate Ministry at UCO in 2007, JFA has recruited and guided college students through the process of starting pro-life clubs. JFA has most recently guided the formation of Cowboys For Life (CFL) at Oklahoma State University (OSU). CFL is now holding regular meetings and actively involved in continuing productive dialogue about abortion on the OSU campus. Cowboys For Life sponsored the JFA mission trip to OSU in 2011

and will again host JFA and Oklahoma high school students this fall 2012.

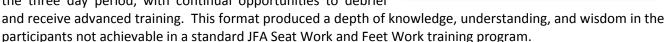
JFA first partnered with the University of North Texas (UNT) Eagles For Life student club more than a decade ago in the fall of 2000. JFA recruited UNT students to revive the club and partner with other UNT campus clubs to host JFA mission trips in 2010 and 2011. The 2011 mission trip to UNT featured home school volunteers from our Pro-Life Camp.

Pro-Life Camp

In 2011 JFA coordinated a three-day leadership training camp for homeschool families at Camp Copass in Denton, TX. This camp was made possible through the generosity of Camp Copass and JFA donors.

<u>Campers</u> began their Seat Work training with JFA's standard five and half hour seminar called *Abortion: From Debate to Dialoque*. Feet Work followed with a two-day mission trip to UNT.

The camp gave participants liberal access to JFA mentors over the three day period, with continual opportunities to debrief



JFA's North Texas Pro-Life Camp has already been scheduled for fall 2012. JFA is seeking financial sponsors to cover the cost of this year's camp.

Collegiate Internship

Imagine one of these <u>trained students</u> becoming a campus leader at his university. What if JFA provided an opportunity for high school and college students to develop their leadership skills while still in school? What if JFA provided a catalyst to ensure that one of these well-equipped and motivated young Christian ambassadors was ready and willing to make a difference?



Late in 2011 we began planning the launch of the JFA Collegiate Internship program, a part-time internship position for college students who are passionate about being pro-life ambassadors on their campuses. The Collegiate Intern will work under the direction of the JFA Regional Manager to create, develop, and lead a pro-life club on campus which will facilitate and promote JFA training activities.

The Collegiate Intern will receive a small stipend funded by JFA donors. JFA is currently seeking sponsors to cover specific semesters at universities where having an intern will advance JFA's training strategy.

-John Michener



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• Pastor Allan Taylor, from First Baptist Church Woodstock, talks about his experience.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bCawkoIIR6Y

Amanda Coles, a trained student, saved three lives through her JFA experience.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oLvqFrDA2NI

• McKinney Street Baptist, in Denton, TX hosted JFA training.

http://www.jfaweb.org/John_Michener/Reference_Black.pdf

• <u>Jacob</u>, a trained student talks about his experience of JFA training and outreach.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dcUtGMTFU40&lr=1&user=trainthousands

Salt & Light at Christian Heritage Academy in Midwest City, OK is a regular training partner.

http://www.jfaweb.org/References/CHA.pdf

• <u>Kinsey Smith</u>, a 2011 Pro-Life Camp participant, reflects on her experience.

http://www.jfaweb.org/Reflections/UNT_Pro-life_Conference/Kinsey_Smith.pdf