



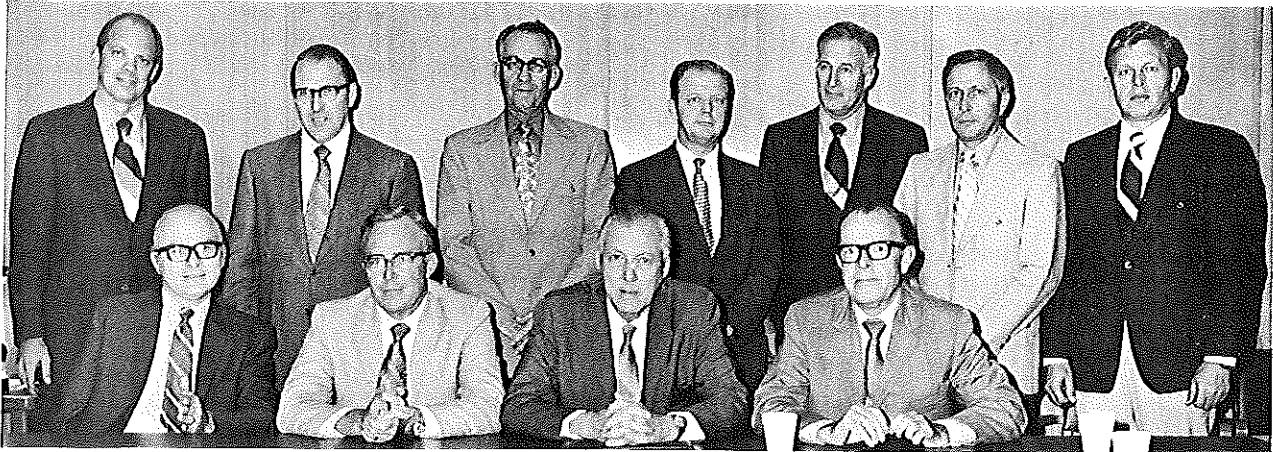
A Kansas Community Development

NEWSLETTER



Number 2

October 21, 1971



STATE PRIDE STEERING COMMITTEE members or representatives in attendance at October meeting in Manhattan; seated left to right: Ernie Mosher, Kansas League of Municipalities; Dr. Robert Bohannon, Vice-Chairman, KSU Extension Service; George Billings, Chairman, Kansas Gas and Electric; Jack Lacy, Vice-Chairman, Kansas Department of Economic Development; standing left to right: Lou Atherton, Treasurer, Kansas City Power and Light; Dr. Don Erickson, KSU Extension Service; Marion Zink, Kansas Electric Cooperative; Byron Wood, Kansas Department of Economic Development; Marion Culver, Kansas Department of Economic Development; Pat Smythe, Northern Natural Gas; Orville Huss, Great Bend Chamber of Commerce.

COMMUNITY PRIDE ENTRIES FOR 1971-1972 CASH AWARDS NOW DUE

To be eligible for the cash awards program for the coming year (1971-1972), a community must send in an entry form to K.D.E.D., State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas. This is necessary even though an entry form was sent in for the current year's program. Enrollment may be made in one to three of the eight categories. If a community has not received a Blue Ribbon in Community Planning, they must enroll in this cash awards category.

A community is required to report officers and members of the PRIDE Steering Committee and get at least five formal written endorsements of the program in the form of motions or resolutions from community-wide agencies or organizations.

Application can be made for evaluation for Blue Ribbon Recognition at anytime. A Blue Ribbon is awarded when evaluators have determined that a community has achieved adequate

or more than adequate status in one or more of the eight categories.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS

Community PRIDE Chairmen were recently asked to report their progress on community development projects. Highlights of the reports received are given below. The chairmen will be sent a form each month to provide information for this newsletter. Because of space limitations, some reports will appear next month.

Cherryvale - A 25-acre industrial development park is being developed.

LaCynge - Projects include a new park and swimming pool.

Iola - The B.P.W. will present the results from a community survey at a "Bosses' Night" in October.

Alma - Community survey completed. Program underway to list: project objective priorities, resources available, roadblocks to project accomplishment, and task forces.

Ulysses - A housing authority was formed; housing survey made; city adopted National Housing Code; ordinance adopted to remove dangerous structures; 40 housing units started with H.U.D.; now completing five self-help housing units.

Halstead - Flower beds established at City Park and Library. Plans have been announced for a new airport.

Concordia - City comprehensive plan being updated; city planning commission has approved zoning; new city ambulance made available with latest first-aid equipment.

Oberlin - New Oberlin-Sappa nine-hole golf course under operation ahead of schedule; FAA approved grant for \$29,000 for airport improvements.

Yates Center - Community survey completed. Plans are being implemented to: establish project priorities, list resources available, identify roadblocks to progress, and set up task forces.

Newton - Evaluations were made by State Steering Committee evaluators in six sub-areas for Blue Ribbon recognition.

Phillipsburg - Representatives from five communities in Phillips County met to organize PRIDE Community Committees.

Wakefield - Community survey completed; almost half of \$20,000 goal to build a museum has been reached; and a committee is functioning to welcome newcomers to the community.

Goessel - Work underway for a new water well and enlarged water line to town.

Glasco - Community survey made. Program underway to list: priorities of objectives; resources available; roadblocks to project accomplishment; and task forces.

Fort Scott - Plans have been made for a community survey.

Potwin - A water quality survey is underway. Selection of a director for the new museum is in progress.

Whitewater - Work is going forward on a skilled Nursing Care Home.

KANSAS PRIDE COMMITTEE

Chairman - George E. Billings, Vice President, Area Development Department, Kansas Gas and Electric Company.

Vice-Chairman - Robert A. Bohannon, Director, Cooperative Extension Service, Kansas State University.

Vice-Chairman - Jack Lacy, Director, Kansas Department of Economic Development.

Treasurer - Lou Atherton, Area Development Department, Kansas City Power and Light.

George Billings, Chairman, Kansas
Community PRIDE Committee
Box 208
Wichita, Kansas 67201

