PRIDE ENTRY FORMS REQUIRED BY FEBRUARY 1 FOR CASH AWARDS

Community PRIDE Steering Committees must send 1973 Entry Forms to KDED, State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas by February 1, 1973, to be eligible for cash awards.

It will not be necessary to obtain new resolutions or endorsements from community groups if five or more have been obtained in the past.

Committees should also notify KDED of any changes in the Steering Committee membership or officers.

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Sweepstakes to Hillsboro

Harold Wiebe, Mayor of Hillsboro, indicates his community is No. 1. Hillsboro won the Sunflower Sweepstakes cash and trophy prize as the outstanding PRIDE Community of the Year at the Second Annual PRIDE Community Development Luncheon in October.

The cash awards, which totaled $9,000 this year, were contributed by private industry. The amount offered in each category where substantial achievement was made was: First place, $700; second, $500; third, $300; fourth, $200; and fifth, $100.

The 20 communities receiving awards were: Population 0-500—Greenleaf, 1st; Summerfield, 2nd; Pawnee Rock, 3rd; Latham, 4th; Atlanta, 5th. Population 501-1,500—Burrton, 1st; LaCygne, 2nd; Alma, 3rd; Colwich, 4th. Population 1,501-4,000—Hillsboro, 1st; Oberlin, 2nd; Cherryvale, 3rd; Caldwell, 4th; Neodesha, 5th. Population 4,001-10,000—Beloit, 3rd (only entrant). Population 10,001-20,000—El Dorado, 1st; Newton, 2nd; Arkansas City, 3rd; Independence, 4th. Population 20,001-50,000—Pittsburg, 3rd (only entrant).

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United States Department of Agriculture area personnel who conducted training meetings for county U.S.D.A. Rural Development Committees in 17 Northwest Kansas Counties were: (Left to right) George Gustafson, Area and Conservation Service, Hill City; Fred D. Atchison, Area Extension Forester, Cooperative Extension Service, Colby; Tom Dicken, Area Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service, Hays. Lewis Carter, District Supervisor, Farmers Home Administration (not shown) helped plan the meetings.
Seventy-four members of the U.S.D.A. Rural Development Committees in 17 North-west Kansas counties met at Hays and Colby for training in resource development in October. U.S.D.A. Rural Development Committees are composed of County Extension Directors, District Soil Conservationists, A.S.C.S. Executive Directors, Farmers Home Administration Supervisors, and others.

Committee members were asked "What are the strong points in your community decision making process?" The answers in rank order were: (1) Citizens have freedom to express their feelings; (2) Community projects are stated in specific terms; and (3) Essential facts are presented to persons before decisions are made.

The elements in good community decision making that rated the lowest were: (1) Citizens in general do not understand who makes and implements decisions; (2) Willingness of groups and citizens to change; and (3) Citizens understanding of why various problem solving alternatives were selected.

PRIDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Hiawatha
(Stan Wingate, Chairman) After completing a community survey, the Hiawatha Steering Committee selected eight persons to serve as a project proposal committee. Thirty-nine projects were listed from groups and task forces. Representatives from the city council, community groups, and task force chairmen met to clarify goals and discuss resources available for project accomplishment. The chairmen of the task forces and representatives from groups made reports on projects at a public meeting. Glen Gottlob, former County Extension Director, explained the PRIDE Program to those attending.

Mound City
(Randall Dawson, Chairman) Twenty-six project committee chairmen and representatives of community groups gave project reports at a Mound City Public Meeting in November. The Steering Committee had identified 30 projects for the annual community objectives.

KANSAS PRIDE COMMITTEE

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