

KSC Environmentalist Club (Project Enrichment) This group of KSC students and faculty members are endeavoring to beautify the downtown area by painting scenes on vacant store windows. Two projects have been completed.

Optimist Club (Project Community Planning) The Optimists are working in the area of Pollution Control. One successful area in this field was work done by this club at Pittsburg sanitary land fill.

PHS Band Boosters Club (Project Enrichment) The band boosters have picked up many miles of trash from the roadways and highways near and in our city.

Lions Club (Project Enrichment and Community Planning) The Lions Club conducted and completed a survey of the downtown alleys. Through this survey, recommendations were made on how to beautify and make better appearing alleys in the downtown area. Also they are working on airport improvements.

Chamber of Commerce and the City of Pittsburg (Project Economic Development) The varied committees of the chamber and the city are every day endeavoring to entice new industry and business to Pittsburg. The agriculture committee and city administration are always looking for ways to promote Pittsburg.

Mt. Carmel Medical Center is very active in the area of health care and is working in the area of community services.

Harvest Brand (Project Enrichment) Harvest Brand will assist in the field of tourism and beautification.

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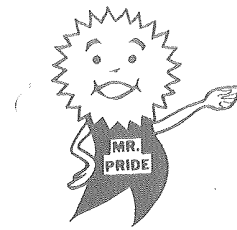
WOOD RECEIVES AWARD



Byron Wood, Assistant Director of the Kansas Department of Economic Development, holds the "Did Something" award he received from the Hillsboro PRIDE Steering Committee for outstanding achievement in Community Service. Mrs. Nadine Kelly, Assistant to Assistant Director looks at the commendation. Leslie Frazier, Extension Specialist, also received the "Did Something" award.

KANSAS PRIDE COMMITTEE

Chairman - Roy A. Best, Upland Industries Corporation.
Vice-Chairman - Robert A. Bohannon, Cooperative Extension Service, K.S.U.
Vice-Chairman - Terence Scanlon, Kansas Department of Economic Development
Treasurer - Lou Atherton, Kansas City Power and Light.



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PARTICIPANTS AT TOPEKA PRIDE MEETING



Some of the speakers and participants at the Topeka Regional PRIDE meeting were: (Left to Right) Stan Wingate, Chairman, Hiawatha PRIDE; Herb Bulk, Shawnee County Extension Director; Gary Zook, Retail Service Division, Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry; Warren Gilman, Manager Council Grove Chamber of Commerce; and Ken McClintock, Chairman, Council Grove PRIDE.

Four-hundred and eleven persons from 88 communities attended 13 area and regional PRIDE meetings in April and May. Meetings sites were Iola, Fort Scott, El Dorado, Newton, Wichita, Independence, Colby, Anthony, Greensburg, Topeka, Garden City, Beloit and Great Bend. The largest attendance was at Newton where 109 persons ate

dinner and exchanged ideas.

At the meetings, reports were given from each community on progress in community and PRIDE projects. Experts were present to answer questions that were asked on resources available, PRIDE Program, and how to get involvement and community action.

BLUE RIBBON EVALUATIONS

Several communities recently provided proof that they qualified for blue ribbons. The following were some of the comments made by the evaluators when they reviewed the check sheets. Harry Gaylor, Forestry and Fire Training, Kansas State University, "Centralia has an excellent fire

department." About Arkansas City -- "This is one of the best fire departments in the state."

Charles Linn, Solid Waste Engineer, Kansas State Health Department, "I have watched progress of the Marion refuse system since it began. It is one of the better small town systems in Kansas."

PARTICIPANTS AT FORT SCOTT PRIDE MEETING



Speaking and participating at the Fort Scott Area PRIDE meeting were: (Left to Right) Kenneth Lunt, Community Development Consultant, Kansas Gas and Electric Company; Glen Newcomer, County

Extension Director; Robert Galvin, Fort Scott PRIDE Chairman; and Max Haden, Assistant Division Manager, Kansas Gas and Electric Company.

PRIDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Fredonia

(Howard Sell, Chairman) After completing the community survey, the Fredonia Steering Committee selected eight knowledgeable persons to serve on a priority committee. The priority committee members were individually interviewed for suggestions on projects that should receive the most attention. They also suggested task force members for assignments. Thirty-nine projects were listed.

After the projects were obtained from the city council and groups and organizations in town, a meeting was held for all project committee chairmen. A meeting for the public was held in May to report on PRIDE activity. Sixty-five persons were in attendance.

Newton

(Richard Chamberlain, Chairman) The Chairman of the Newton PRIDE Program presented a check for \$600 to J. T. Smith to be used in the local "Meals on Wheels" program that started in February. The money came from the cash awards received by Newton during the past two years in PRIDE competition.

Elk City

(Willard Bright, Chairman) The PRIDE Steering Committee established the following goals for Elk City: place street signs on each corner; paint parking signs on streets; replace Christmas street lighting; trim trees on streets; repair and paint city fire department; repair streets; improve water drainage; build new rural township fire department; build new welcome sign on highway; build a new civic club booster sign on highway; general repair one main street of town; con-

tact small businessmen to locate in Elk City; have a clean-up week; place trash barrels in downtown area; paint fire hydrants; repair on recreational center; move the city hall to recreation center; establish a picnic area on recreation grounds; improve appearance of building fronts on main street; and establish a library in the city.

Oberlin

(Steve Aten, Chairman) The PRIDE Steering Committee won second place cash prize in the program last year. They made the funds available as follows: Community Centers Development - \$300; \$50, Cedar Bluffs, Kansas Community Center; \$50, Jennings, Kansas Art Center; \$50, Dresden, Kansas Community Center; \$50, Trear, Kansas Community Center; \$100, Oberlin, Kansas Museum Center.

Youth Active in PRIDE Programs - \$75; \$25, Maverick 4-H Club; \$25, Scout Troops 125; and \$25, Eager Beaver 4-H Club.

New Worthy Projects presented to PRIDE Committee - \$125. Chairman Steve Aten said, "I hope this \$125 will serve as an incentive to generate new projects. This would be much better than rewarding projects already started."

Dearing

A newly formed Lions Club officially received its charter in March. The Lions Club planned to organize a PRIDE Program and initially undertake community improvements in the areas of recreation, community development, and beautification.

Leon

(Helen Holeman, Chairwoman) "The PRIDE Steering Committee met in February and decided on their main projects for 1973: 1. Attractive business and residential areas; 2. Improved entrance to Leon; 3. Tree care. Two long range goals were chosen: 1. Street curb and gutter; and, 2. Control of animals in the city limits.

"Louise Seward, Beautification Chairman, plans to have a clean-up week, cooperating with the City of Leon on the date proclaimed by Governor Docking as Clean-Up Week. This will be part of our first goal "attractive business and residential areas."

"For part of the second goal, improved entrance to Leon, we plan to erect a large sign at the entrance to Leon. Ivan Holt has given us permission to use the southeast corner of his land, bordering the highway. Marvin Beaumont will do the basic structure work and a sign company has been contracted to make the advertising signs. The basic structure of the sign will be made of pipe and stand about 30 feet high. At the top will be LEON. Each letter of Leon will be about 2 feet wide by 4 1/2 feet tall and lighted. Under this will be spaces for business and civic organizations. Tom Holeman will be contacting the business places. He will be assisted by the Theta Phi Sorority."

"The third goal of "tree care" will be reported in another article. At our meeting, Bill Smith said the first step recommended by the Extension Forester was to remove the dead trees and the trees that are diseased. This can be accomplished before September. The city tree board has also had a meeting and you will be hearing from them."

"For long range goals the City hopes to start some street curbing. The second long range goal is control of animals in the city limits. It was suggested that a good beginning would be for each owner to put a collar on his dog to identify him and dog tags saying they have had their distemper and rabies shots."

"Each committee chairman that has been appointed is urged to keep notes on their meetings and projects and take pictures recording their progress for our PRIDE project book. Gladys Doughty will be asking you for these in August. We will need to have all our reports in around August 1 so we can complete our project book to send in to the judges."

"Besides the three main goals and two long range goals, our appointed committees and each sponsoring club and church have projects that they are working on. These should also all be reported and records kept for our project book. As individuals you are urged to beautify your home and surroundings."

Pittsburg

(AT Kneebone, Chairman) The Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce spearheaded PRIDE for the city when the program was started. At the present time, 25 organizations, several industries, and the city of Pittsburg are supporting the PRIDE efforts. Pittsburg PRIDE week was February 29 to March 6. The Headlight-Sun Newspaper printed a special section of the newspaper in connection with the observance.

Organizations that are currently working on projects and are members of the Pittsburg PRIDE Steering Committee are: The Church Women United (Project Health Care) City and County Health Departments, home health care, well baby clinic, maternal and child health care.

American Legion (Project Community Services) This organization works with the Pittsburg Fire Department and assists in Fire Prevention Week.

The Exchange Club (Project Community Services) Works with the Pittsburg Police Department. This organization has donated engraving tools for the use of engraving identification on personal articles. If articles are stolen, they can be easily identified and returned to the owner. Also the Exchange Club sponsors "Crime Prevention Week" in cooperation with the Pittsburg Police.

League of Women Voters (Project Education) This club is responsible for information published weekly in the Pittsburg Headlight-Sun concerning questions and answers pertaining to our city and education.

Womans Study Club (Project Enrichment) This is the oldest federated club in Pittsburg. Their specific project is to aid in improving the Crawford County Museum. They have aided in cataloging the artifacts, and the club members are looking forward to serving as hostesses in the Brown Grocery when the weather permits its opening.

Altrusa (Project Education) The Altrusa sponsored and conducted an adult drivers education class.

Home Builders Association of Pittsburg (Project Housing) This organization is working in the area of housing, codes, and regulations and financing.

Metro BPW (Project Enrichment) the Metro BPW have provided several benches in the Pittsburg downtown area for the elderly.

BPW (Project Enrichment) The BPW are endeavoring to establish a "Pittsburg Magic Garden for the Handicapped" in Schlanger Park. When completed the garden will be dedicated to the city of Pittsburg as a lasting object of beauty and inspiration for all citizens and visitors in the area. The Metro BPW are also assisting in this project.