

COMMENTS FROM BLUE RIBBON  
RECOGNITION EVALUATORS

LINDSBORG (Evaluator Duane Johnson, South Central Kansas Library System--Category, Library) "The community library has a very active library board. The college library is one of the newest and most modern academic libraries in the state. Citizens of Lindsborg are offered reading and research materials far beyond that which would normally be expected in a city of this size."

ARKANSAS CITY (Evaluator Ray Arvin, KDED -- Category, Aviation)--"Strother Field is one of the best air industrial complexes in the country."

WATERVILLE (Evaluator James Geisler, Kansas State University -- Category, Beautification)--"Waterville is one of the best examples of a community with PRIDE. The enthusiasm and dedication with which the city shade tree crisis was met and dealt with is an outstanding example."

LOGAN (Evaluator Harry Gaylor, Kansas State University--Category, Fire Protection)--"For the size of the community, Logan has one of the best fire departments in the state. They are very active in all phases of fire management and have one of the top groups of firemen."

KANSAS PRIDE COMMITTEE

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STATE PRIDE COMMITTEE APPROVES  
31 FOR BLUE RIBBONS

Thirty-one categories and sub-categories were approved for blue ribbon by the Kansas PRIDE Committee.

They were:

ARKANSAS CITY: Health, ambulance, highways, airports, recreation

BURRTON: Health, ambulance

CLIFTON: Health

GLADE: Health, water

HESSTON: Industrial development, ambulance, recreation, health, beautification

LINDSBORG: Library, recreation, tourism, beautification

LOGAN: Fire prevention, agriculture, police protection, health

MARION: Health, ambulance

MOLINE: Health

OBERLIN: Health

PITTSBURG: Health

WATERVILLE: Beautification, recreation, tourism.



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MOSHER STATE PRIDE CHAIRMAN

E. A. Mosher, Executive Director of the League of Kansas Municipalities, was elected chairman of the Kansas PRIDE Committee for 1974. He began his career in local government when he worked part-time for the Wisconsin municipal league while attending the University of Wisconsin. He came to the Kansas League in 1960. The Moshers have four children and live at 1939 Oakley in Topeka.

The League of Kansas Municipalities is a cooperative instrumentality of its 479 member cities. The headquarters houses 23 staff members at 112 West Seventh Street in Topeka.

Assistance to communities and counties of Kansas from the League include:

- **INQUIRY**--Cities and counties may request information on laws and regulations of state and federal government as well as practices of other cities and counties.

- **PUBLICATIONS**--The League produces numerous guides, manuals, and other printed materials. Included are Kansas Government Journal, city and county governing body handbooks, city and county clerk handbooks, planning commissioners handbooks, capital improvement program guide, annexation guide, various community aesthetic guides and series of short publications on numerous topics of local government interest.

- **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**--Professional staff members are available for local assistance in areas such as governmental finance, organization, municipal codes, personnel management, human resources development, intergovernmental relations and contacts, and other areas of local government concern.

- **TRAINING AND CONFERENCES**--The League of Kansas Municipalities sponsors, co-sponsors or conducts numerous training seminar sessions relating to virtually all aspects of local government.

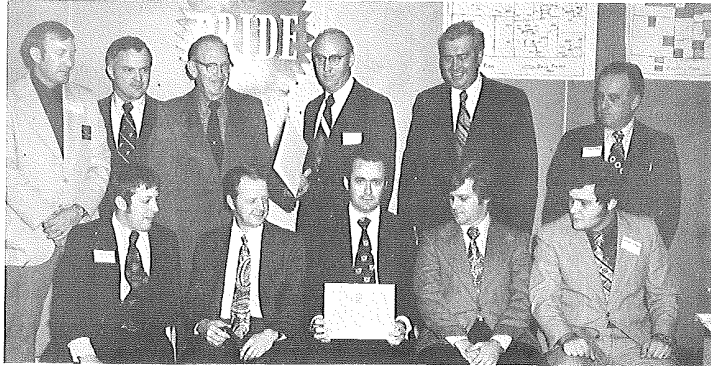
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

COTTONWOOD FALLS (Gilbert Haug, Chairman) The PRIDE Committee directed efforts to getting numbers on all houses in the city. Along with the drive, an attempt was made to secure addresses for the new telephone directory.

ALTOONA (George Staley, Chairman) Reed Streets reported on PRIDE bumper stickers at the Altoona PRIDE organization meeting. The group voted to obtain the stickers and have them for sale.

Mr. Streets also reported on the tree and shrub plantings. A current project suggested was to invite each service organization to sponsor a beautification project.

Mrs. Darlene Sloan, editor, reported on publishing costs of the PRIDE sheet, to be published monthly. The previous issue was distributed by BIG CHIEF 4-H, a newly organized club.



LEADERS AND SPEAKERS AT TOPEKA WORKSHOP (Left to right, bottom row) Martin Owens, Executive Vice President, Ottawa Chamber of Commerce; Byron Wood, Assistant Director, Kansas Department of Economic Development; E. Morgan Williams, State Director, Farmers Home Administration; Gary Howland, Assistant to Lt. Governor; Steven Bittel, Area Extension Specialist, Community Resource Development, (top row) Gordon Thompson, Executive Vice President, Paola Chamber of Commerce; Gary Zook, Retail and Service Division, Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry; Orville Love, Area Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service; James DeCoursey, Jr., Director, Kansas Department of Economic Development, John Miller, Executive Vice President, Greater Topeka.

### INCREASED INTEREST IN 1973 WORKSHOPS

Five-hundred and eighteen persons from 130 communities attended six Regional Community Development Workshops in November and December. This is more than double the attendance and number of communities represented at the five workshops last year. Meeting sites were Wellington, Great Bend, Garden City, Colby, Beloit, and Topeka.

The workshops were sponsored by Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry, Kansas Department of Economic Development, League of Kansas Municipalities, and Kansas State University Extension Service. U.S.D.A. personnel, Chamber of Commerce managers, and city mayors served as moderators, speakers, and discussion leaders during the workshops.



SPEAKERS AND PARTICIPANTS AT COLBY WORKSHOP (Left to right) Glenn Crabb, Manager, Colby Area Chamber of Commerce; senator J. C. Tillotson; Don Crumbaker, Legislator, Brewster; Phil Finley, Area Extension Director; Dr. Robert A. Bohannon, Director, Kansas Cooperative Extension Service, K.S.U.

Members of the Kansas Legislature gave talks at five of the sessions on the subject "Community Development Needs and Opportunities in This Area." At each workshop, a representative of a local PRIDE Committee gave presentations on "Our Local PRIDE Program."

Workshop sessions gave an opportunity for all in attendance to raise questions and give examples of outstanding examples of programs in communities of Kansas in the areas of PRIDE, community planning, services for the aging, community cultural and community recreation. Resource persons from the University of Kansas, Kansas State University, State Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, Kansas Department of Economic Develop-



RAY MANN (left) AREA EXTENSION DIRECTOR, PRESIDED AT NOON LUNCHEON AT GARDEN CITY. Lt. Governor David C. Owen spoke at the luncheon. George Furnell, President of the Garden City Chamber of Commerce, welcomed the participants to the workshop.

### INCREASED INTEREST IN 1973 WORKSHOPS (Cont.)

ment, and the Kansas Arts Commission made presentations and held question and answer sessions during the day.

Speakers featured at the noon luncheons were: Dr. Robert A. Bohannon, Director, Cooperative Extension Service; Ernie Mosher, Executive Director, League of Kansas Municipalities; David C. Owen, Lt. Governor and Chairman of Kansas Economic Development Commission; Carl Nordstrom, Executive Vice President, Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry; and James H. DeCoursey, Jr., Director, Kansas Department of Economic Development.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### ACTIVITIES (Cont.)

GLADE (Mrs. Clifford A. Shaw, Chairman) "In our PRIDE cultural art project, we started collecting history and pictures of Glade and the surrounding area in 1971.

When the book was completed we had open house at the city building. The PRIDE Steering Committee made a large banner that covered the front door that invited everyone to have refreshments and visit old friends and classmates. Five-hundred books were published and 100 were sold at the event."



DIXIE HOLZ HOLDS DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS AT GREAT BEND WORKSHOP while other speakers and leaders look on (left to right, bottom row) Everett Dunler, Secretary-Manager, Russell Chamber of Commerce; Carl Nordstrom, Executive Vice President, Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry; Dixie Holz, Stafford County Extension Home Economist; Mary Swisher, Rush County Extension Home Economist; Terry Schoenthaler, Rush County Extension Director; (top row) William VanSlike, County Extension 4-H Agent; Oscar Barahona, Manager, Pratt Area Chamber of Commerce; Bud Janner, Executive Vice President, Hutchinson Chamber of Commerce; Orville Huss, Executive Vice President, Great Bend Chamber of Commerce; Walter Pile, Manager, Lyons Chamber of Commerce; William Hundley, Rice County Extension Director.