PRIDE KICK-OFF
DRAWS 350 PERSONS

Three hundred fifty people turned out when the city of Jennings kicked off its PRIDE Program with a program of entertain-
ment and a speech by Congressman Keith Sebelius.

Sebelius concluded his speech by saying, "I think we need a PRIDE Program in Washington, and a PRIDE Program for our
nation as well. Let us hope we can do as successful a job in Washington as our goal to make
our communities, our state and our nation a better place to live."

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Altoona --

(Earnest Scott, Chairman) Nominations were made to the Steering Committee for PRIDE Awards Committee. The city has
volunteered to print the PRIDE newsletter.

Kingman --

(Mrs. J.M. Beddow, Chairperson) The Kingman Noncomers PRIDE Committee welcomed 86 new
families to Kingman during the past year. These volunteers called at the homes of those
just moved into town with information as to

Halstead --

(Bill Southard, Chairperson) The PRIDE Committee will pursue five or six blue
ribbons for the PRIDE signs. At the steering
committee meeting, recognition was given to the Cloverleaf 4-H Club for painting the
playground equipment in the Scout Park. The
4-H Club provided the labor and the city
furnished the paint. Said Southard, "This
project represented a perfect example of an
instance where PRIDE did something to improve
the looks of the city."
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McPherson --

(Vicki Schmidt, Chairperson) Cash awards will be given to six residential or commercial establishments which undergo an improvement program in the PRIDE sponsored "Home Improvement Contest."

Accompanying the cash prizes will be the PRIDE's "Bit Something" awards. To enter, a photograph showing the before and after effort must accompany a written description of the project.

"PRIDE also encourages the city to enforce ordinances which require all properties be kept free of litter, weeds, dilapidated buildings and inoperative car bodies," said Mrs. Schmidt.

PRIDE gave assistance to residents who had problems with water flooding. Alternatives to prevent future damage were discussed at a meeting. A petition for support of the project was publicized. Other projects of PRIDE: working with school parking lots to have them placed under city ordinances for regulating and policing; working with recreation commission to get a portable ice skating rink; and a public information program on the value of restoring the community building. Says Vicki, "We are busy and loving every minute of it. We believe achievements and success go hand in hand."

South Hutchinson --

(Ervin Leeper, Chairperson) Goals set by the Steering Committee were: camping and picnic facilities for tourists; new committee for South Hutchinson; park improvements; general clean-up of vacant lots; junk car removal; and organize a garden club.

The PRIDE Committee: asked the city council to appoint a community tree board; will sponsor yard of the month recognition program; and will sponsor a community carnival and flea market.

Osceola --

(Bill Ooton, Chairperson) The PRIDE Committee placed 120 "PRIDE, We have it, Join us" cards in the downtown business windows.

A LOOK AT THE PRIDE PARK

The Independence PRIDE Committee worked on four projects before making an on the site inspection of the new PRIDE Park. Fireworks, Bicentennial, and the Industrial Fair were on the agenda in addition to the park development.

The Independence Garden Club made a contribution to the PRIDE Park fund. An earlier commitment from the Optimist Club was made to share the major burden of constructing a basketball court on the site.

The sign designating the lot as the home of the PRIDE Park was erected by the committee with assistance from the Kansas Gas and Electric Company and the Army Reserve Unit.

ROTARY CLUB SUGGESTS PROJECTS

Seven community projects were suggested for consideration by the PRIDE Steering Committee at a regular meeting of the Ellinwood Rotary Club. They were: obtain more professional people, encourage retail sales, more senior citizen activity, improved retarded children's program, tennis courts, housing, beautification, and city zoning.

The Steering Committee met and adopted several projects.