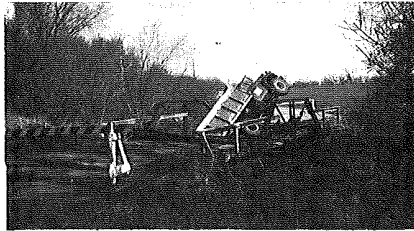


TROUBLED BRIDGE OVER WATER

"Bridge Levy Carries by 2 to 1 Ratio" were the headlines in the newspaper after the McPherson County PRIDE Committee conducted an extensive information program on the "Bridge Dilemma." Four thousand, five hundred leaflets were mailed out. Many five minute presentations were made at group meetings.

The levy will generate about three million dollars over six years. It carried every ward in the county.

Vicki Schmidt, local PRIDE chairman, says "Our bridge dilemma was the number one problem on our PRIDE survey. We worked with a positive approach, educating with facts. We covered the whole county thoroughly,



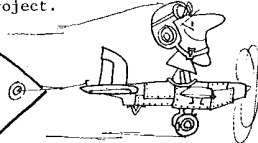
using the brochures, radio, newspaper and making presentations to groups. The voting results show McPherson County residents pull together with pride to improve their community."

LOCAL PRIDE ACTIVITIES

BIRD CITY (Kenneth Cram, Chairperson) One hundred persons attended the PRIDE banquet. Edie Dahlsten, co-chairperson of the Lindsborg PRIDE Committee, was guest speaker. Reports were given on progress of community projects. Evelyn Creach, editor of Bird City Times wrote that each edition of the newspaper would have an article about PRIDE.

CHANUTE (Kent Dobson, Chairperson) John Grasso and Joe Smith have been coordinators of a project to obtain trash lids for 25 barrels to be used in the downtown area. They will cost \$465.00. They have ordered the lids and will solicit contributions from businesses to help defray the cost of the project.

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KENNETH ALBRIGHT, AREA COMMUNITY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST, wears a hat to portray a leadership style while observing one of five groups at the ten-hour Leadership Skills Workshop at Arkansas City. (Left to right) Ken Moore, Executive Vice President, Arkansas City Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Gwen Nelson, Phil Marrs, Kent Nulik, and Rose Anstine.

Twenty-eight persons attended the workshop. There was representation from business, community college, agriculture, civic clubs, and the local PRIDE committee. It was sponsored by the local PRIDE committee and conducted by Kansas State University.

Twenty persons indicated it provided the kind of experience they could apply in their own situation; nineteen hoped there

could be another one in the near future, and seven indicated it was one of the most rewarding experiences they had ever had.

Future leadership workshops are scheduled for Junction City, Norton, and Winfield. Others interested in sponsoring a workshop may contact their county Extension agents located in the county seat town of each county in Kansas.

EIGHTY-EIGHT COMMUNITIES ENROLL

Eighty-eight communities enrolled in the 1975 cash awards phase of the PRIDE program by the February 15 cutoff date.

Communities eligible to compete in the 1975 awards are listed below. The State PRIDE Committee set the date of October 21 for the awards program. It will be held at Emporia State College.

UNDER 600 POPULATION

Alden	Lebanon
Benton	Lenora
Bison	Leon
Courtland	Lost Springs
Elk City	Park City
Geneseo	Pawnee Rock
Glade	Republic
Grainfield	Rose Hill
Greenleaf	Scandia
Gridley	Sharon
Hope	Summerfield
Jennings	Uniontown
Kechi	Walton
Kirwin	White City
Latham	

601 TO 2,000 POPULATION

Altoona	Kiowa
Atwood	Logan
Bird City	Marquette
Buhler	Mound City
Burrton	Rossville

Canton
Cawker City
Cedar Vale
Clifton
Dighton
Goddard
Haven
Hoxie
Jetmore

Sedan
Sedwick
Sharon Springs
Spearville
Strong City
Sublette
Tribune
Wakefield
Wilson

2,001 TO 5,000 POPULATION

Belleville	Lindsborg
Cherryvale	Marion
Council Grove	Medicine Lodge
Eureka	Norton
Herington	Oberlin
Hiawatha	Peabody
Hoisington	Sabetha
Holton	South Hutchinson
Horton	

5,001 TO 10,000 POPULATION

Augusta	Fort Scott
Baxter Springs	Russell
Concordia	Wellington

10,001 AND UP

Arkansas City	McPherson
Chanute	Newton
El Dorado	Pittsburg
Independence	Winfield

Connie Essington, local PRIDE chairperson wrote, "Our PRIDE progress is accelerating and we are involving more people in PRIDE each month. We have made progress on most of our PRIDE goals."

So far this year they have presented 35 PRIDE Did Something Certificates to businesses and groups in recognition of accomplishments.

KANSAS PRIDE COMMITTEE

Chairman - Ernie Mosher, Executive Director, Kansas League of Municipalities
Vice-Chairman - Robert A. Bohannon, Cooperative Extension Service, K.S.U.
Vice-Chairman - James H. DeCoursey, Jr., Kansas Department of Economic Development
Treasurer - Lou Atherton, Kansas City Power and Light



WARREN GILMAN, left, Manager of the Council Grove Chamber of Commerce, receives a PRIDE "Did Something" award from Ron Haug of the local PRIDE committee. The Chamber of Commerce was recognized for getting a new office.



BUTLER COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS TAXI started operation in April. On the right is Burl Allison, Jr., local PRIDE chairman.

The bus will serve Augusta at least three days a week and be available to other Butler County communities the other time. Membership to qualified persons are available for \$6.00 for the first year with an annual renewal fee of \$1.00.

The Augusta PRIDE Committee was recognized for its efforts in working for the transportation system. They were a strong force in selling memberships.

BLUE RIBBONS APPROVED

The State PRIDE Committee approved the following categories and sub-categories for blue ribbons at its April meeting: Buhler - ambulance; Burrton - airport, highways, streets; Geneseo - streets, highways; Marion - agribusiness; McPherson - planning, housing; Russell - airport, ambulance, lights, police, sewage, highways, streets.

The next state PRIDE meeting for considering blue ribbon applications will be in June. Communities may submit or re-submit applications to Umberger Hall, Kansas State University for any of the 23 blue ribbon categories at any time.

Five applications were disapproved.

LOCAL PRIDE ACTION

NEWTON (Virginia Williams, Chairperson) This editorial was in the Newton Kansan.

"The Newton PRIDE Committee's new project of presenting awards to those who perform 'distinguished service in the development of community pride' is a good one.

"The first award went this week to Lloyd Smith, President of the S-V Tool Co., who bought the old Warkentin Mill that was scheduled for demolition, restored it, and remodeled it so it could continue its usefulness.

"The building is one of the area's historic structures and is closely connected with the early history of wheat farming in this part of the country. Keeping it in

use, even though not operating as a mill, helps in connecting the present day with the historic roots of the area.

"There certainly are others in the community who also deserve such awards for their work in developing community pride.

"And community pride is one of the essential ingredients in the life of a vigorous and developing community.

"Everyone in the community can help in the project by submitting to the committee names of individuals, organizations and businesses who display similar pride.

"Not all will be chosen for the award, but even nomination for it is an honor."