

LOCAL PRIDE ACTIVITIES (Continued)

ALTOONA - The Altoona PRIDE Committee met with a group seeking to interest new business and light industry in locating in Altoona.

Letters have been received from utility companies in response to the PRIDE committees request for standardized meter deposit fees. Gas meter deposit charge will be \$35 and one utility company will charge no deposit to customers with good credit references.

It was reported at the Pride committee meeting that seventy street corners need signs. Bob Lewis and Bill Leonard offered to donate materials for signs. A request was made to the committee for help to work on the community building. Carmen Carrier will make a list of jobs to be done.

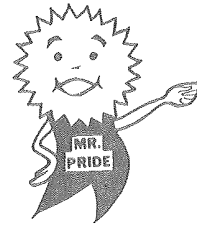
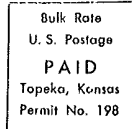
MANKATO - (Dr. Kenneth Mahnke, chairperson) The PRIDE projects are: Convert a building into a fire house or community building; weekly PRIDE column in newspaper; Bicentennial committee; Designate Mankato as a bicentennial city; A mini-park downtown; Mainstreet clean-up; Help county museum stay open; Clean-up, Fix-up week; and fun day at Jaycee Rodeo.



PRIDE is discussed at South Central Kansas Winter Program Planning conference at Hutchinson. Left to right: Harold Gottsch, County Extension Director, Hutchinson; Lester Griffith, County Extension Director, Marion; Lawrence Cox, Area Extension Director; Ken Albright, Area Extension Specialist, and Beverly Stagg, County Extension Director, McPherson.

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JACK GROVES, Executive Vice President, McPherson Chamber of Commerce and leader in Pride Program.

Chamber of Commerce Encourages PRIDE

Jack Groves and Vicki Schmidt, PRIDE chairperson have been two of the main leaders in the McPherson PRIDE Program. This year the community won the top PRIDE community Sweepstakes award and it also achieved Pacemaker designation for approval in all eight blue ribbon categories.

Jack says he is involved in the PRIDE Program because of the inputs that are received from a vast number of people. The main benefit of PRIDE to the community according to Jack is, "PRIDE provides the vehicle for organizations in McPherson so they can work together to become better informed in order to help eliminate duplication and accomplish more than any single group working alone".

What was your most satisfying PRIDE experience: "The accomplishment of goals that PRIDE established in the blue ribbon program, winning in our population category, and receiving the Sweepstakes Award".

What makes PRIDE work? "Total community involvement".

NINETY COMMUNITIES ENROLLED

Ninety communities enrolled in the 1976 cash awards phase of the PRIDE Program by the cut off date of February 15.

Communities eligible to compete in the 1976 cash awards are listed below. The State PRIDE Committee set the date of October 19 for the awards and workshop programs. It will be held at Wichita in Century II auditorium.

Under 600 Population

Alden	Glade	Moline
Bazine	Hope	Pawnee Rock
Bison	Jennings	Rose Hill
Burr Oak	Kanorado	Summerfield
Bushton	Kirwin	Sylvia
Courtland	Latham	Walton
Dexter	Lebanon	Westmoreland
Elk City	Leon	White City
Geneseo	McDonald	

601 to 2,000 Population:

Altoona	Jetmore	Peabody
Atwood	Johnson	St. Francis
Bird City	LaCrosse	Sedan
Buhler	Lucas	Sedgwick
Canton	Mankato	Sharon Springs
Dighton	Marquette	Spearville
Douglass	Mound City	Tribune
Frankfort	Mount Hope	Wakefield
Hoxie	Nickerson	

Communities Enrolled (Continued)

2,001 to 5,000 Population

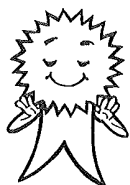
Belleville	Hiawatha	Marion
Cherryvale	Hillsboro	Medicine Lodge
Council Grove	Hoisington	Oberlin
Edwardsville	Holton	Osborne
Ellis	Horton	Sabetha
Eureka	Kinsley	S. Hutchinson
Herington	Leoti	Ulysses
Hesston	Lindsborg	

5,001 to 10,000 Population

Abilene	Derby	Pratt
Baxter Springs	Fort Scott	Russell
Concordia	Goodland	

Over 10,000 Population

Arkansas City	Lenexa	Newton
Chanute	McPherson	Pittsburg
Independence		



Local Pride Activities

HORTON - (Mrs. Robert Wood, chairperson) They established 48 project goals. "Eleven had been completed on April 10, "Mrs. Wood reports, "Our newspapers were microfilmed from the first edition and plans are to purchase a micro-reader for the library. We are getting 'new faces' for old places' under way. An architect has been hired to assist downtown improvement. We feel we are having a good year."

INDEPENDENCE - (Bill Cook, chairperson) A total of 138 entries were received in a contest to choose a permanent slogan for the Independence PRIDE Committee, according to the panel of judges appointed for the competition.

The contest involved pupils in grades three through six in the Independence schools.

The winner received a \$25 savings bond.



RALPH UTERMOEHLN, Area Extension Specialist, left, receives plate of food at Westmoreland's public PRIDE meeting and meal.

Large Attendance at Westmoreland's PRIDE Meetings

One hundred fifty persons attended the PRIDE public meeting and meal at Westmoreland. Short reports on community projects were given by the mayor, representative of the community club and 13 PRIDE task forces.

Prior to the public meeting, 110 members of the task forces met to discuss how to get action through committee work.

Project task forces established with the help of a priorities committee were:

Beautification, Bicentennial; Clean-up, Fix-up; Encourage retail trade and improve store fronts; Housing; Remove old buildings and car bodies; senior citizens; improvement of streets, curbs, alley and sidewalks; summer recreation; swimming pool and park; Ticket sales for public meeting; Tree board; and Youth projects.

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DEXTER - (Marilyn Dalton, chairperson) Five dozen bicentennial flags have been sold; Clean-up, Fix-up day was planned; Playground equipment will be assembled at park; and three bicentennial films were ordered for the schools.



EXTENSION AGENTS view Project Book at training meeting. (Left to right sitting) Garland Marshall, Extension Specialist, Texas A&M University; Glenda Jahnke, Pride chairperson, Hoisington; Jim Grider, County Extension Director, Hoxie; Ann Domsch, Extension Home Economist, Atwood; Betty Adams, Extension Home Economist, Hoxie; (Back row) Darrel Hager, County Extension Director, St. Francis; Sonny Sisk, Area Extension Specialist, Colby; Ross Nelson, County Extension Director, Oakley; Gerald Meyer, County Extension Director, Oberlin; Don McWilliams, County Extension Director, Sharon Springs; Darlene Leewright, Manager, Hoisington Chamber of Commerce; Roger Hendershot, County Extension Director, Hays; Karen McDaniel, Extension Home Economist, Sharon Springs; Keith Fish, County Extension Director, Wakeeney; and Jean Richards, Extension Home Economist, Colby.

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CHANUTE - (Kenneth Sanborn, chairperson) Three Chanute merchants received appreciation for helping provide emphasis in city beautification, a project of the Chanute PRIDE Committee. The merchants who had their buildings remodeled, were: John Barr, Cecilia Beuligmann, and Royce Wells. Kenneth Sanborn presented certificates to the merchants.

Northwest Agents Train in Pride

County Extension Agents in Northwest Kansas received a full day of PRIDE training in Hoxie. The session included materials and film available for PRIDE by E. J. Sisk; a talk on "Why be Involved in PRIDE," by Cliff Meireis, County Extension Director, Norton; assistance available to PRIDE leaders, Glenda Jahnke; and PRIDE projects and surveys, Les Frazier, Extension Specialist.

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