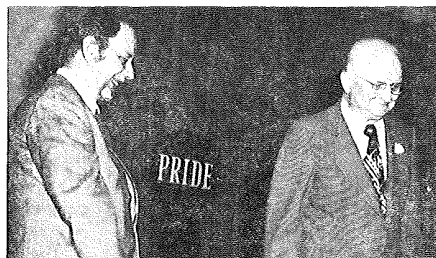


RALPH HOWARD, Canton, receives a blue ribbon for transportation from Governor Bennett at the Wakefield recognition program. Canton has been in PRIDE less than two years and has been approved in 15 blue ribbon categories and sub-categories.



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## STATE COMMITTEE MEETS

Tom Kline, Kansas PRIDE Chairman, appointed a committee to study recognition for cities that have gained Pacemaker status. They are: Lou Atherton, Evelyn Fink, and Les Frazier.

At the State Committee Meeting, it was decided to present completion certificates to community PRIDE Chairpersons at the State PRIDE Workshop luncheon where there has been a project record book submitted.

It was decided that Floyd Neyman would continue investigating how an energy con-

servation improvement would be given emphasis in the PRIDE Program.

Stan Mc Aduo, Planner, Kansas Department of Economic Development, presented a sample community attitude survey form to the committee that divided questions into the eight blue ribbon categories. It will be mailed to local PRIDE Chairpersons.

There was discussion on increasing the number of times professional staff members would go to communities to assist PRIDE committees. More contacts will be made in the future.



DOROTHY VARENHORST, standing, Marion PRIDE Chairperson, and Lester Griffith, standing, County Extension agent, look at projects during steering committee meeting. The projects were suggested at the PRIDE sponsored leadership workshop.

## MARION PRIDE ADOPTS 41 PROJECTS

Forty-one PRIDE projects were adopted by the Marion PRIDE Committee, and task forces were appointed for each project.

The PRIDE Committee sponsored a leadership development workshop and dinner.

Seventy-five community projects were suggested by 56 community leaders at the first of two sessions.

Ken Albright, Area Extension Specialist, was one of the trainers at the workshop.

The steering committee set up the following projects: five year park and recreation plan, handball courts, additional ball field, park beautification, creek beautification, improve Marion approaches, remove dilapidated buildings and junk cars, tree program, additional parking area around courthouse, courthouse lighting, landscape grade school building, cultural entertainment, housing, street improvement, rural-city cooperation, ambulance improvement, photography, recycle center, doctor

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## NORTHWEST KANSAS INCREASES PRIDE

Northwest Kansas has shown an increase in PRIDE enrollments the last three years. Almost a fourth of the approximately 100 incorporated cities in the area submitted entry forms this year.

E. J. Sisk, Area Extension Specialist located at Colby, says, "The County Extension agents have given excellent assistance in Northwest Kansas in the PRIDE Program. This has made it possible to give more help to PRIDE cities and towns for organizing, surveying, establishing projects, involving people and making community accomplishments."

Seventy-five communities enrolled in the 1977 Cash Awards phase of the PRIDE Program. The State PRIDE Committee changed the population categories this year for cash competition.

### UNDER 400 POPULATION

Glade	Bison	Dexter
Walton	McDonald	Bazine
Alden	Kirwin	McCracken
Jennings	Kanorado	Courtland
Summerfield	Bushton	Burr Oak

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WHERE YOU ARE

## PROJECT RECORD BOOKS

2 feet by 3 feet signs are available from Kansas Department of Economic Development. Record books are \$5.00 and signs \$13.00 plus shipping charges.

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MAYOR, Bud Alford, 2nd from right, looks at list of projects with Sedan young people and, left to right, Steve Bittel, area Extension Specialist, Same Shade, PRIDE Co-Chairperson, Blish Hills, Mike Simpson, Kathy Carpenter, Alford, and Margo Boulanger, PRIDE Co-Chairperson.

## SEDAN SPONSORS WORKSHOP

Sedan PRIDE Committee, Sedan Star Times, First National Bank and Sedan State Bank sponsored a leadership development workshop and dinner.

Forty leaders attended the dinner and 30 were present at the second workshop. Steve Bittel and Stan Mc Adoo - Kansas Department of Economic Development, were two of the trainers for the workshops.

Seventeen community PRIDE projects were adopted by the steering committee and task force members were appointed to make improvements. The projects were: clean-up - fix-up campaign, teen center, housing, doctor search, park improvement, sidewalk improvement study, school PRIDE Committee, downtown improvement, vacant lots, agribusiness, community welcome, theater improvement, tree, extend airport runways, highway improvement, train sales clerks, and community building.



## Local Pride Activities

**NEWTON** - Gregg Peterson, PRIDE Chairperson, announced the Newton PRIDE Committee had completed their defibrillator drive for the Newton Ambulance Department. (Cont'd on P8)

### MARION PRIDE ADOPTS 41 PROJECTS

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search and health planning, school safety, jobs for youth, storefront improvement, recreation for all ages, tennis courts, arts and crafts, dancing, bowling, horse-shoes, bicycling, golfing, hiking, rest home recreation program, publicity, tourist promotion, retail sales promotion, restoration of historic buildings, Christmas decorations, industrial development, replace street signs, completion of apartment complex, and education.

### NORTHWEST KANSAS INCREASES PRIDE

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#### 401 to 1200 POPULATION

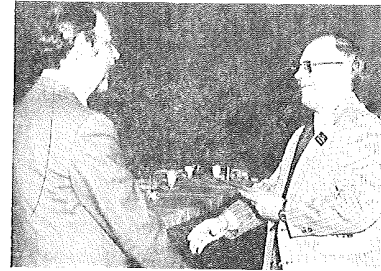
Grainfield	Altoona	Wakefield
Lebanon	Westmoreland	Spearville
Elk City	Moline	Canton
Pawnee Rock	Bird City	Jetmore
Galva	Overbrook	Sharon Springs

#### 1201 to 2400 POPULATION

Manhattan	Hoxie	Lincoln
Tribune	Sedan	Peabody
Nickerson	Atwood	Osborne
Johnson	St. Francis	Marion
Sublette	La Crosse	Lindsborg

#### 2401 to 5000 POPULATION

Horton	Council Grove	Herington
Oberlin	Belleville	Hiawatha
Sabetha	Cherryvale	Osawatimie
Osage City	Eureka	Hoisington
Medicine Lodge	Phillipsburg	Ulysses



RAY SALMON, Belleville receives a blue ribbon in Planning from Governor Robert Bennett at the Wakefield Pacemaker Dinner. Belleville has been approved in eight blue ribbon categories.

## LOCAL PRIDE ACTIVITIES

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The basic unit was purchased in May, but the money kept coming in. The fund exceeded the \$4,800 needed to purchase the defibrillator. The remaining money, approximately \$600 was used to purchase drugs and other small equipment for the ambulance. All funds collected for the drive have now been dispersed.

Leroy Dyck, Newton ambulance personnel, said, "We are so grateful to the Newton PRIDE Committee for their generosity and hard work. We so much appreciated the defibrillator unit, and all the other items were an added surprise."

**INDEPENDENCE** - (Phil Atkisson, Chairperson) Over 100 persons attended a "town meeting" at the Civic Center to discuss and ask questions concerning the high-rise apartment complex for the elderly to be built in Independence, if all goes according to plan.

City officials formed the panel for the discussion and were joined by visitors representing the Belmont Towers in Parsons, a similar housing facility.

The meeting had been arranged by the Independence PRIDE Committee and Phil Atkisson, PRIDE Chairman, acted as moderator.

The purpose had been to relay information to those interested concerning the operation of the high-rise and to ask questions in an effort to clear up any misunderstandings.

The building, if completed, will stand in the 400 block on South Penn and could be ready for occupancy as early as May of 1978. It will contain 100 rental units plus an apartment for the resident manager.

The 100 units will include 95 one-bedroom apartments containing 516 square feet of floor space. Five two-bedroom units will be a little larger.

Also, ten of the apartments will be designed for handicapped persons.

## SIX ST. FRANCIS APPLICATIONS APPROVED

Six blue ribbon applications were approved for St. Francis by the State PRIDE Committee. The sub-categories and evaluators were: airport, highways, and streets - Kansas Department of Transportation; lighting, Extension Engineering, Kansas State University; Health - Extension Quality of Living, Kansas State University and Kansas Department of Health and Environment; and Pollution - Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Other applications approved were: Canton - Library; Horton - Agriculture and Agri-Business; Peabody - Fire Protection; and Derby - Library.

Not approved were applications for Housing, Fire Protection and Sewage.