REPORTS PRIDE YOUTH PROGRAM

GRILIA GASTON, Marshall County, Home Economist, seated second from right discussed the program with Charlotte Petty, Marysville PRIDE chairperson, prior to the workshop at Mid-American Conference at Seneca. Seated left to right are: Paul Olmanna, Marshall County Agent; Bruce Dierking, Marysville PRIDE Youth; Charlotte Petty; Gloria Jo Dugleburg, Marysville PRIDE Youth, Standing, Gerald McMaster, Brown County Agent; Ray Lada, Atchinson County Agent; Stan McAdoo, K.S.E.D.; Dr. Oscar Norby, Assistant Extension Director, Kansas State University; Ralph Utermoeullen, Area Extension Specialist; Dr. Fred Sobering, Associate Extension Director, Kansas State University; and Peyton Burkhart, Nokomis County Agent.

Charlotte Petty, Marysville PRIDE chairperson, Jo Dugleburg and Bruce Dierking, active in PRIDE youth, talked of their PRIDE Youth events and activities. One of their projects is a successful youth center in Marysville.

A Kansas Community Improvement
NEWSLETTER

NUMBER 61
JUNE, 1980

PACEMAKER TO ARK CITY

There were 435 persons in attendance at the Arkansas City Pacemaker program and banquet on March 4, at the new Heritage House Hotel convention facilities. Jim DeCoursey, Secretary, Kansas Department of Economic Development, talked on "Partners in Progress." President Duane Acker, Kansas State University, spoke on "Working together."

Governor Carlin presented an appreciation certificate to former Governor Robert Docking for initiating the Kansas PRIDE program in 1970, during his administration.

Other towns that have received Pacemaker Honor are: Alden, Newton, Bellevile, Burton, Heston, Hillsboro, Lindsborg, Marion, McPherson, Pittsburg, Russell, Ulysses, Wakefield, and Walton. Newton and Oberlin have achieved Pacemaker II. Halstead will soon schedule an event when they will be honored.

Any Kansas city can participate in the program.

GOVERNOR JOHN CARLIN presented the 15th Kansas Pacemaker Plaque to Glen Wheat, left, PRIDE Chairperson, at the award banquet and program in Arkansas City March 4. Left to right are: Jim DeCoursey, Secretary, Kansas Department of Economic Development; Governor Carlin; Governor Robert Docking; President Duane Acker, Kansas State University; Dr. Fred Sobering, Associate Extension Director, Kansas State University; and Dr. Marjory Mortvedt, Assistant Extension Director, Quality of Living, Kansas State University.
PRIDE DAY
FEATURES TABLE TOPICS, WORKSHOPS

Kansas PRIDE Day will be held at Salina Bicentennial Center Saturday, November 8, starting with opening assembly at 9:30 a.m. There will be seventeen workshops and 21 table topics. President Duane Ackerman, Kansas State University, will be the keynote speaker. Governor John Carlin will talk and present cash awards during the evening banquet and program.

The table topics and resource people include:

- MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS - Ernie Mosher, Director, League of Kansas Municipalities.
- MORE RETAIL TRADE - Kirk Baker, Extension Specialist, Kansas State University.
- IMPROVING COMMUNITY ART AND CULTURE - John Reed, Director, Kansas Arts Commission.
- MORE ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITIES - Gene Grey, Jim Hightower, Extension Foresters, Kansas State University.
- BETTER HOUSING - Dick Fishman, President, Kansas Savings and Loan League.
- PLANNING FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY - Dr. William Ebelke, Extension Specialist, Kansas State University.
- PROMOTING COMMUNITY TOURISM - Harriet Lange, Director, Travel and Tourism, Kansas Department of Economic Development.
- SUCCESSFUL SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAMS - Harry Robinson, Chairman, Saline County Commission on Aging.
- COMMUNITY DO IT YOURSELF FIRE TRUCK - Elmo Burkman, Westmoreland PRIDE.
- USE AND ABUSE OF DRUGS - George Halazon, Extension Specialist, Kansas State University.
- FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS - Jack Alumbaugh, Director, South Central Kansas Economic Development District.
- IMPROVING COMMUNITY RECREATION - Dr. Don Lindley, Health, Physical Education and Recreation, Kansas State University.
- REPRESENTATIVES FROM COMMUNITY WITH OUTSTANDING PRIDE PROJECTS IN 1980 - (Two table topics).
- PREPARING YOUR COMMUNITY FOR EMERGENCIES - Don Reeseman, Coordinator, Saline County-Salina Emergency Preparedness Department.
- COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE: COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE - Dr., Oscar Norby, Assistant Extension Director, Kansas State University.

[continued on page 4]

EXCEL BECOMES SPONSOR

Kent Henson, Vice President Excel Industries of Neosho presented a check for $500 to Governor John Carlin at Newton Pacenaker Banquet. They became the 29th financial sponsor since 1979 and 1980. Because of additional expenses in the PRIDE program, more funds are sought by the State PRIDE Committee. Ten new potential financial sponsors will be contacted in Kansas communities.

Pride Youth Elect Officers
Plan Pride Day, November 8

CAROLYN FREISS, seated second from left, was elected chairperson of Kansas PRIDE Youth at Salina. Chuck Konrade, seated second from right, Spearville PRIDE Youth Sponsor, was selected sponsor of Kansas PRIDE Youth. Rusty Redding, seated on left, Bushton PRIDE Youth, was voted recorder; Larry Wilkerson, seated right, Westmoreland PRIDE co-chairperson, represents the State PRIDE Committee on Kansas PRIDE Youth Committee; Bette Warden, not shown, Baxter Springs PRIDE Youth, was named chairperson elect. Others in attendance included: Don Miles, standing left, Ford County Extension Agent; Eldon Weaver, standing second from left, South Central Area Extension 4-H and Youth Specialist; Joyce Mattling, standing ninth from left, 1979 State Youth chairperson from Spearville; Sandra Shields, standing third from right, Ottawa County Extension Agent; and Bill Borst, standing right, Northeast Area Extension 4-H and Youth Specialist.

Twenty PRIDE youth and adults from Ashland, Bushton, Dodge City, Halstead, Spearville, and Westmoreland were in attendance to elect officers and plan the Youth PRIDE section of PRIDE Day at Salina, November 8.

Eldon Weaver, Area Extension 4-H and Youth Specialist from Hutchinson gave a presentation on tours available in Salina. The representatives decided on a Kansas Vocational Rehabilitation Center Slide presentation from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. and a visit to see facilities and learn of programs at the Kansas Technical Institute at 10:30 a.m. Buses will take participants to the Institute and lunch.

At 2:00 p.m., representatives from communities with outstanding PRIDE Youth programs will make presentations followed by questions and comments by a reaction panel and those in attendance at the workshop.

From 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Governor John Carlin will talk to the group and hear a report from a PRIDE youth representative. Members of the audience will have an opportunity to question Governor Carlin about state government programs, activities, and issues.
NEWTOWN RECEIVES PACEMAKER II

DAVID NYGAARD, Newton chairperson, was awarded Pacemaker II Plaque by Governor John Carlin at a banquet and program at Newton, April 12.

Newton was the second city to receive PRIDE Pacemaker Two. Oberlin received the honor in 1979. All cities who have received the distinction of Pacemaker One may strive for the second designation. Newton achieved the first Pacemaker in 1975. Over 100 communities have participated in the PRIDE blue ribbon program.

Other speakers at Newton were: Dr. John Dunbar, Director, Cooperative Extension Service, Kansas State University, and Stan Mcdoo, Community Representative, Kansas Department of Economic Development.

PRIDE DAY FEATURES

TABLE TOPICS, WORKSHOPS

(continued from page 2)

- COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE: KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - George Mathews, Community Development Representative, K.O.E.D.
- COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE: REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION - Frank Mosler, Director, Big Lakes Regional Council of Governments.
- COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE: UNIVERSITY FOR MAN - Beverly Wilhelm, Director, Community Resource ACT Program, University for Man.
- COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE: FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION - Jack Denyer, State Director, Farmers Home Administration.
- COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE: SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - Clayton Hunter, District Director, Small Business Administration.

Other subjects included: and Les Frazier, Extension Specialist, spoke on organizing for PRIDE.

Chuck Lewis, chairperson, told purpose and activities of Kansas PRIDE Committee at the Graham County PRIDE meeting in Hill City: Stan Mcdoo, K.O.E.D., talked on management of volunteer leaders; E. J. Sisk, Area Extension Specialist, discussed PRIDE record books and
CIRCUS ACTORS GIVE AWARDS

A look into the future was given at Westmoreland's annual PRIDE Soup Supper and Awards Night by Ed Moore, left, self proclaimed, all knowing and all seeing mystic from India. Gary Conklin, right, PRIDE co-chairperson and city mayor, was the straight man. The future for PRIDE in Westmoreland, according to the seer "great".

(Photograph by Westmoreland Recorder)

PRIDE isn't all work. One hundred seventy seven persons attended Westmoreland's PRIDE Soup Supper and Awards Night to see circus performers make presentations to individual and group representatives for last year's accomplishments.

Mrs. Elma Moore, PRIDE chairperson, was in charge of meal preparation. Performers included: Magician and assistant, tiger and tiger tamer, Ringer, clown, and ringmaster. Awards were for: coaches of ball games, Improving cemetery (FFA), new business (restaurant), energy generator for city, assisting historical society, research on old homes and other buildings, newspaper publicity, fix-up, clean-up (ambulance auxiliary), reforestation (Volunteer fire department), curbs and guttering, transportation for swimming participants, photography, and volunteer labor on 15 blocks of street improvement.

COMMITEE APPROVED BLUE RIBBONS

Eighteen communities received blue ribbon approvals from the State PRIDE meeting at Salina, April 11. They were: Ashland, Alden, Bucklin, Burrtton, Dodge City, Goodieville, Grinnell, Haddam, Halstead, Hesston, McPherson, Minneapolis, Oakley, St. Francis, Simpson, Smolan, Syracuse, and Wakefield.

Thirteen applications were not approved in the areas of planning, recreation, ambulance, water, education, fire protection, beautification, and sewage.

Chuck Lewis, State PRIDE Committee chairperson presided. Harold Shoef reported a balance in the treasury of $340.78. A State PRIDE sub-committee report on PRIDE Day programming was given by Gary Conklin. It was approved.

Lou Ahlstrom reported on plans to purchase new PRIDE signs. Larry Wilkerson, youth liaison, reported on youth plans for PRIDE Day and the State PRIDE Youth meeting.

COMMUNITIES TELL THEIR STORY

Six communities have made entries to exhibit booths at State PRIDE Day at Salina, November 8. They are Fort Scott, Hillsboro, Minneola, Marion, Pittsburg, and Wakefield.

Twenty-four openings are still available for cities and towns. Entry for a table may be made anytime as long as there is space left.

This is an opportunity for you to tell about your community with pictures, handout materials, gift, conversation, or other means. You can wear colorful or distinctive clothing and attractively decorate your booth. Emphasis will be on the subject of PRIDE, but your chamber or other leaders may include other areas.

Betty Hardesty, Ashland PRIDE chairperson, is chairperson of the booth committee.

COMMUNITIES SHOW PICTURES

Seventeen communities have already entered the 2x2 slide presentations program. These will be shown at PRIDE Day, November 8, at Salina. PRIDE committees can enter by contacting PRIDE, Umberger Hall, K.S.U., Manhattan, Kansas.

You can designate someone in your community to get a maximum of ten slides, write a 20 to 30 word narrative for each picture, and send them to K.S.U. Department of K.S.U. by September 15.

These slides can be shown to the cash award judges when they visit your community the week of September 22. They can show PRIDE projects, activities, awareness, or accomplishments.

PRIDE committees planning to submit slides include: Agra, Alden, Baxter Springs, Derby, Grainfield, Fort Scott, Haddad, Hillsboro, Hill City, Marysville, Minneapolis, Oberlin, Pittsburg, Roxbury, (unincorporated), Syracuse and Marion.

Mike Warren, of Westmoreland PRIDE is chairperson of the slide committee.

GOVERNOR'S HOMETOWN SCORES

DENNIS WILKINS, Smolan PRIDE chairperson, was awarded blue ribbons in education and community services at the Newton Pacemaker banquet by Governor John Carlin. Smolan has now been approved in 12 areas on their way to Pacemaker. Smolan is Governor Carlin's hometown.

One hundred and twelve Kansas communities have submitted 1,817 self evaluation forms in the PRIDE blue-ribbon program since the efforts started in 1971. These included facilities and services, planning, agriculture, culture and beautification. These were appraised by experts outside the cities and towns approved by the State PRIDE Committee.

Twenty-six percent of these completed forms were not approved because of indication either by staff visits to the communities or by evidence provided that standards of quality were not met. Fifty specialists and resource people evaluate the PRIDE applications. When applications are turned down, the evaluators give recommendations to the community for improvement.