

## Judging critique to be returned to communities

Following PRIDE Day, the PRIDE staff of the Kansas State University Cooperative Extension Service and the Kansas Department of Commerce & Housing will visit each PRIDE community and will go over the judge's critique sheets with each PRIDE committee.

The critique sheets consist of comments from the judges regarding each community's strengths, suggestions for improvement, and noteworthy accomplishments. The critique sheet also will have the total point score broken down into the nine areas that the judges evaluated.

## Blue ribbon approvals

The following communities were evaluated and approved as meeting the requirements for Blue Ribbon recognition at the July 13, 1995 State PRIDE Board meeting:

- Ellsworth** -- Police Protection, Solid Waste Management, and Streets;
- Highland** -- Fire Protection, Recreation & Parks, and Health;
- Ottawa** -- Community Planning.



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This newsletter is published to provide communication among communities participating in the Kansas PRIDE Community Improvement Program. Your input is welcome.

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# PRIDE

Kansans Building Better Communities

## 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Kansas PRIDE Program

"Values of the Past -- Visions of the Future"

**PRIDE Day, October 21, 1995, Salina, Kansas**

The theme for the 25th Annual PRIDE Day is: "Values of the Past -- Visions of the Future." PRIDE Day will be held at the Bicentennial Center in Salina, Kansas on Saturday, October 21, 1995. This issue of the PRIDE Newsletter highlights PRIDE Day activities, events, and speakers.

## Bob Allen to Keynote PRIDE Day

By popular demand, Bob Allen, founder and president of the Allendale Educational Foundation, has been invited back to speak at PRIDE Day. Bob was the 1991 PRIDE Banquet speaker where his topic was "Gold Bricks and Magic Bullets."

A Humorist with a meaningful message, Bob does what he does because he believes in the importance of

entertaining audiences while motivating them to strive for improvement in the quality of their lives. He makes his points with real-life stories, drawn from years as an educator, camper, family man, aviator, and outdoorsman. Come listen, laugh, and learn as Bob shares with you his common-sense philosophy on "The Joy of Better."

## Directors host reception

In celebration of the PRIDE Program's 25th Anniversary, the 1994 and 1995 Kansas PRIDE, Inc. Boards of Directors will host a reception for all PRIDE community participants during PRIDE Day. Both community and sponsor board members raised the funds for this special celebration. The reception, immediately preceding the awards ceremony, will include hors d'oeuvres, punch, and a cash bar.

## Miss Kansas to perform at PRIDE Day



Amy Keller, Miss Kansas 1995, will provide the entertainment segment of the PRIDE Day Banquet. Amy is an accomplished vocalist.

During her year as Miss Kansas, she will speak out about alcohol abuse. Preventing alcohol abuse and helping people learn to take responsibility for their actions is the message Amy will be telling the hundreds of Kansas youth during her year as Miss Kansas. She has developed a four step program: (1) Taking advantage of education, (2) Setting goals, (3) Involvement in community, and (4) Choosing positive role models. She believes these steps will ultimately help young people develop the self confidence everyone needs to be responsible citizens.

Amy is from Great Bend and is currently a senior seeking a Bachelor's of Fine Arts Degree from Wichita State University. Following her graduation, she plans to pursue a Master Degree in vocal performance and eventually becoming an opera singer in music theatre productions.

## Important PRIDE dates

- September 25-29, 1995  
... PRIDE Judging Week
- October 20, 1995  
... Kansas PRIDE, Inc. Annual Meeting
- October 21, 1995  
... State PRIDE Recognition Day, Salina
- November/December, 1995  
... Return of Judges' Critiques to Communities

## PRIDE judging to begin September 25

During the week of September 25-29, a judging team will visit each community enrolled in the Annual PRIDE Achievement Recognition competition that submitted a completed project book by September 1, 1995. Each of the six judging teams will include one Kansan who is familiar with the PRIDE Program and one out-of-state community development professional.

The 1995 judges include: Donna Beims, Atwood; Jack Meyers, Cunningham; Bob Mosier, Greensburg; Courtney Riley, Sabetha; Gary Satter, Valley Falls; Judi Withers, Sharon Springs; Brett Stewart, Pierre, South Dakota; Corinne Pedersen, Lincoln, Nebraska; Jana Russell, Long-view, Texas; Deloy Jahnke, Lexington, Nebraska; Dr. Richard Hallock, Pueblo, Colorado; and Ann Brown, Marshall, Arkansas.

Each community will be notified by the PRIDE staff at least one week prior to judging as to the exact time and date of the judges' visit. The judges will spend one hour in communities with a population less than 4,500 and one and one-half hours in communities over 4,500.

### Bring Your camera



### to PRIDE Day

Following the PRIDE Day Banquet, all communities receiving a community achievement award will be given the opportunity to take a group picture with Amy Keller, Miss Kansas - 1995. Since there will not be a staff photographer, community representatives are encouraged to bring their own cameras. Remember, 1995 PRIDE Day pictures will make excellent documentation for your 1996 PRIDE Record Book.

The State PRIDE Board of Directors have determined the following point system for judging: Effective organization, 30 points; Knowing the PRIDE Program, 10 points; Assessment of needs, survey, and analysis, 20 points; Annual program of work, 20 points; Awareness, promotion, communication, and publicity, 20 points; Involvement, 30 points; Accomplishments, 40 points; Recognition, 20 points; and Evaluation, 10 points. Each PRIDE committee should review the judges' score sheet which can be found in Appendix A of the "Community Achievement Awards" section of the PRIDE Manual.

The community should be in control and set the format for the judges' visit. Use the time allotted to best showcase your program. Remember to present only PRIDE's efforts and not the community as a whole. Following are a few suggestions:

(1) In planning the judges' presentation, stress judging criteria with the highest point value.

(2) Practice the presentation prior to the visit.

(3) After a short welcome, distribute an agenda.

(4) To help show involvement, invite a number of people to the judging presentation. Also, have several people describe the various projects so one person is not responsible for the entire presentation.

(5) Invite the media so the judges' visit and the local improvement projects can be publicized.

(6) If planning to serve refreshments, keep them simple.

(7) A community tour, highlighting PRIDE projects, might be in order. In place of a tour, many communities are utilizing slides or a video.

(8) Allow time for the judges to ask questions.

(9) Judges must leave at the appointed hour in order to arrive, on time, to the next scheduled community so don't detain them beyond the time allotted.

(10) Time is limited. The better organized, the more effective the presentation will be, so relax, be positive and enthusiastic, and have fun showing off your PRIDE accomplishments.

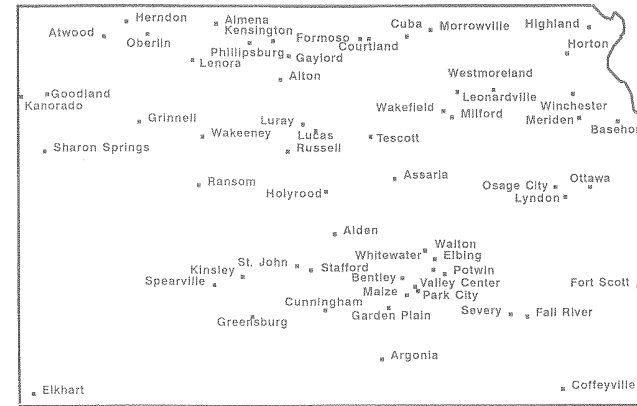
### Bill Cordes will address youth

"Master Motivator" Bill Cordes, will return this year to PRIDE Day. Bill is Director of Educational Development International and resides in Great Bend. Known for his work with teens, Bill travels the country where he leads seminars on motivating young people. "Get A Grip" will be Bill's topic at the afternoon PRIDE youth workshop. Bill was well received at last year's PRIDE Day by both youth and adults.

### Tourism is PRIDE's new special emphasis

At their July 13, 1995 meeting, the Kansas PRIDE, Inc. Board of Directors approved tourism as a new PRIDE special emphasis. Communities are encouraged to consider adopting tourism related projects for the 1995/1996 PRIDE year which begins September 1, 1995. Special emphasis areas that were continued include rural health, outreach, and communications. The leadership special emphasis was discontinued. The PRIDE Staff is planning a series of local Tourism Workshops to be presented upon request.

## PRIDE communities completing the 1995 Community Achievement Awards Competition



### Still time to reserve a booth

Communities wishing to reserve a booth at PRIDE Day need to do so within the next few weeks. Free booth space, including an 8-foot table and piping and draping will be available to all interested communities. This will be an excellent opportunity for your community to help celebrate the PRIDE Programs' 25th anniversary by showing your local PRIDE achievements to a state-wide audience.

To reserve a space or to ask questions, contact Stan McAdoo at (913) 532-5840.

### PRIDE Day registration due October 13

The PRIDE Day planning committee has planned an exciting 25th anniversary celebration for PRIDE Day 1995. The theme, "Values of the Past, Visions of the Future," represents a powerful, and compelling statement of what the PRIDE Program stands for and strives to create. PRIDE Day 1995 will honor the many community volunteers who have worked to make their community a better place.

A PRIDE Day Registration form appears below. Please complete the form and mail by **October 13, 1995 to Kansas PRIDE, Inc., 700 SW Harrison Street, Suite 1300, Topeka, Kansas 66603-3721.**

#### PRIDE Day Registration Form

I plan to attend:  
 Mr., Mrs., or Ms. (Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daytime Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please attach a list of any additional names and addresses.

Registration is \$16 per person, which includes materials, breaks, reception, a special 25th anniversary souvenir and the steak banquet. This year a special meal will be prepared for YOUTH ONLY (hamburger & French fries). Youth registration is \$7 per person, which includes materials, breaks, reception, souvenir, and YOUTH ONLY meal, unless a steak dinner is preferred.

Total Number of people registering \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ at \$16 each (steak banquet) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Youth \_\_\_\_\_ at \$16 each (steak banquet) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Youth \_\_\_\_\_ at \$ 7 each (special meal) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 # of Youth/Adults \_\_\_\_\_ at \$16 each (no banquet meal) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total amount enclosed ..... = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- \* All persons attending PRIDE Day must register and pay the registration fee.
- \* Following each registered name, indicate a "Y" for youth or an "A" for adults.
- \* Make check payable to: **Kansas PRIDE, Inc.**
- \* Tickets may be picked up during registration, no tickets will be mailed.
- \* Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations, please contact Stan McAdoo (913) 532-5840 by October 6.