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PRIDE Day 40th Anniversary Celebration

Come celebrate with us!! PRIDE's 40th Anniversary celebration will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2010, at the Grand Prairie Hotel (Ramada Inn) in Hutchinson. Our featured speaker for the event will be Larry Hatteberg. For nearly 35 years, Hatteberg has traveled the state of Kansas and has brought stories of real people through a series called "Hatteberg's People," the longest running television news series in Kansas. He's held nearly every position in the KAKE newsroom and currently co-anchors KAKE News at Five. His presentation is something you will not want to miss. Registration for PRIDE Day can be completed online with a credit card or through the mail with a check enclosed. Click here to register.

Why is PRIDE Day 2010 Important to Attend?

1) It is the 40th Year of PRIDE and it is cause for Celebration! Over 400 communities have participated in the PRIDE Program throughout the 40 years that PRIDE has been active. The volunteer spirit of 40 years of PRIDE has made Kansas a better place for millions of people across the state and it is time for us to celebrate.

2) Community sharing is an important part of building a network of ideas and contacts that can be utilized for your own community projects. It is easier to find what might and might not work for your community project when you have other's feedback to compare your own projects against.

3) Larry Hatteberg of Kansas' KAKE will be speaking this year. Larry has been bringing stories of "real" Kansas people to life through "Hatteberg's People" for nearly 35 years. His message is sure to capture your attention.

4) It's your opportunity to learn about the PRIDE Program Updates that will take affect in 2011. There will be a presentation on the new Partners in PRIDE grant and the awards program.
Click here to register.

Take care and see you there!

**Booth Space**

PRIDE communities are encouraged to set-up a booth at Kansas PRIDE Day. To reserve a space, contact Jaime Menon at jmenon@ksu.edu or call the PRIDE office at 785-532-5840. Please make reservations by November 5, 2010 so that adequate table space will be available.

**Silent Auction**

The Silent Auction at PRIDE Day is attracting some unique items. A couple of the items include a Simply Kansas Basket, a Jim Richardson print, a signed KU basketball and a signed KSU basketball. This could be your opportunity to pick up early Christmas gifts and support the Partners in PRIDE grant program.

**Kansas MarketPlace 2010**

MarketPlace is an event focused on energizing small businesses and rural communities. The conference features strong, hands-on learning opportunities for potential and existing business owners including on and off farm/ranch; store front or home based; women and Hispanic owned business; community leaders and youth interested in entrepreneurship. Kansas MarketPlace 2010 will be held in Dodge City, KS, November 16 & 17. The Kansas event is presented by the Center for Rural Affairs and the Kansas Department of Commerce. Click here for more information.

**Community Spotlight. . .**

**40 Years of PRIDE in Fort Scott**

"Not everyone can be a cheerleader and not everyone is a jock. But everyone can belong to PRIDE," stated Dola Cress, a forty year member of the Fort Scott PRIDE Program.

Forty years of PRIDE has made a difference for Fort Scott and helped build a strong relationship with the school. "PRIDE has project sponsors in both the middle school and the high school and is the only civic organization with this type of presence in the school," stated Cress. Three or four times a year the youth assist with clean-ups downtown and various other projects. They work side by side with adults to carry out community service projects. The youth have a voice guided by the experience of caring adults. With this type of attitude and support, Fort Scott's future looks bright.

**Dates to Remember. . .**
| November 5 | PRIDE Day Registration deadline |
| November 13 | Kansas PRIDE Day, Hutchinson, KS |
| December 1 | Enrollment Forms |
| January 1 | New PRIDE Program Year Begins |