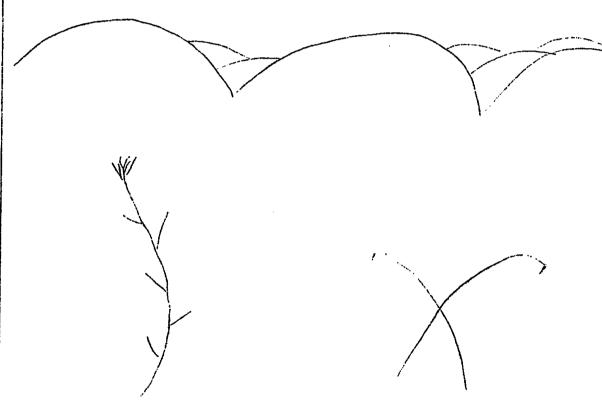
SALDIE COUNTY

TOWN TEETING



THERE IS MUCH TO DO

WE CAN DO IT!

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STORY

PAST:

Saline County is rich in natural resources, scenic, economic, and enterprising people. We have a rich history of accomplishment.

PRESENT:

The present calls for improvement in the economic field. Lack of jobs, lack of economic inducement for young people, union control of labor market calls for community participation to solve the problem. Problems of transportation, land use and tourism should be discussed by this vehicle for involvement.

FUTURE:

The future calls for ACTION. The community must be involved in working for better transportation, promoting tourism, and better reclaimation. The youth of the area need job training. Schools need family cooperation.

TOWN MEETING '76 SALINE COUNTY CULTURAL CHALLENGES FEBRUARY 14, 1976

Cultural Awareness

In the arena of cultural interest and faced with self-interest inhibiting participation, the present challenge is to deal with disinterested citizens as seen in non-utilization of assets.

Guild 1

Moral Decay

In the arena of cultural and educational level and faced with crime and law enforcement, the present challenge is to deal with drug abuse as seen in local counts.

Guild 2

TOWN MEETING '76 SALINE COUNTY ECONOMIC CHALLENGES FEBRUARY 14, 1976

Inaccessibility of Economic Opportunities

In the arena of economic commonality and faced with lack of transportation, insufficient housing, too difficult job requirements, prejudice against minorities, aged and handicapped. The present challenge is to deal with inaccessibility of economic opportunities as seen in no railroad freight or Greyhound bus lines, airport 20 miles away, limited job possibilities in area, lack of sufficient housing for retired or aged.

Guild 3

Citizen Involvement in Financial Planning

In the arena of citizen involvement in financial planning and faced with no public forum for monitoring public spending. The present challenge is to deal with the need for structure for citizen input as seen in concern over maintenance of new civic center.

Guild 4

TOWN MEETING '76 SALINE COUNTY POLITICAL CHALLENGES FEBRUARY 14, 1976

Wake-up-citizens

In the arena of community services and leadership and faced with community non-participation, the present challenge is to deal with lack of knowledge and interest as seen in low attendance at community meetings, ineffective channels for communication of their concerns.

Guild 5

Get People More Involved and Improve Our Fire and Police Protection

In the arena of community services and citizen interest and participation in community affairs, the present challenge is to deal with citizen apathy, poor communications and poor community/political leaderships as seen in lack of street maintenance, poor attendance at community meetings.

Guild 6

TOWN MEETING '76 SALINE COUNTY PROPOSALS FEBRUARY 14, 1976

Wake Up Citizens

We the citizens of Saline County in order to wake up citizens to combat problems propose we let them know of existence and activities of Metropolitan Enforcement Group through use of all media.

Create Regionalism to Improve Policy and Fire Protection

We the citizens of Saline County in order to create solidarity and unity propose to work together to create and improve our rural police and fire departments through existing channels.

Revitalize Existing Organizations

We the citizens of Saline County in order to revitalize and utilize existing agencies and organizations, propose Club Day for Social and Political Organizations through organization involvement, question and answer sessions where people could learn about them, a suggestion box for citizens' ideas and publicize the event.

Expanded Citizen Involvement

We the citizens of Saline County in order to reach people and obtain involvement of civic matters propose county-wide survey of Economic, Political and Cultural issues via the newspapers and news media through gaining news media cooperation, starting a committee, creating a survey format and, after all responses are in, publishing and distributing them.

Community Youth Involvement

We the citizens of Saline County, Illinois in order to involve community youth in civic affairs propose the implementation of a youth services bureau through informing, publicizing, and recruiting youth.

Better Police and Fire Protection Both Town and Rural

We the citizens of Saline County, State of Illinois, in order to obtain better police and fire protection for town and rural areas must propose band together in bodies to obtain this and forget that we are towns and rural and become one Saline County through working together and supporting each other and helping each other.

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SONG

February 14, 1976

Tune: This Land Is Your Land

It isn't easy to carve the future Built on the rich past of our history But there's something special in Saline County Salty county get together and live your dream.

Chorus:

This land is your home this land is my home. From the Shawnee Forest with its Garden of Gods From the Ozark foothills to the corn and coal fields This county is the place to build your dreams.

We cleared the land; we built towns and levees. We let the coal mines and the corn fields feed us But the future calls us to get together Creating a new land for you and me.

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TOWN MEETING EVALUATION

LOCATION Saline County	Sponsors	Specific role played	
Region St Louis	Harrisburg IL Jaycees.		
Date Fob. 14, 1976	U. of I. Cooperative Ext.		
TM Coordinator Steve Casey	SEIN Real Planning		
Emcee George Jenkins	Deu. Commission		
How was the town meeting enabled? by many groups - ie. College Bus. Dept			
	ay care center + Jayo		
WORKSHOP LEADERS	Suggest next Town Meeting Assign		
Guild A Steve Casey (am)	good sol - local of	exple- with	
Guild B Lois Harder (p.m.)	no movement of	acleground	
	and only 2 to		
Guild D	()	<u> </u>	
PARTICIPANTS &	DIGNITARIES PRESENT	COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS	
Phase I \0 Men 53	Chester Starkey-Mayor		
Phase II 30 Women 36	Kon Ozment - Mayor		
Phase III <u>29</u> Minorities	Gene Johns - Sevator		
Phase IV_20	Mrz. Paul Simmons		
TOTAL # <u>89</u>	Bob Winchester - Rep.		
How was the town meeting marketed? personal contacts c			
mass medin (Newspaper, TV, Radu)			
FINANCES		^	
	s No √ If no please explain_		
and development of	plan for next by 2	120/76	
How was the town meeting funded?	* *100 from early h	rayor in	
County - Jaycees,	and individuals	V	
PRODUCT CHECKLIST			
Have 10 products been sent to Chicago? Yes No If no please explain			
Have the Registration Forms been	returned to Chicago? Yes No	If no explain	

Have Scribes workbooks been returned to Cen	trum? Yes No If no please explain
Have all unused materials been returned? Y	on No. V. 75 no places somilate
100+ in St. Laub	es No v II no please explain
Have newspaper articles, photos, tapes been	sent to Centrum? Yes No Geo Jenkins Box 50/ Workshops Harrishung 629
Plenaries Emcas made the flenary - Excellent job. ONOTABLE COMMENTS FROM PARTICIPANTS OR STONE	Interlude Barbershop Quartet excellent!
QUOTABLE COMMENTS FROM PARTICIPANTS OR SPONS	SURS
SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE TOWN MEETINGS	V of 2 se7 they laces 06 serves
suggestions for follow-up Use these trained local train others.	troops to do other TM's or
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