

## Helpful Numbers

### PAWNEE COUNTY

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT NUMBERS

Scott King, Sheriff  
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Pawnee County Jail  
116 W. Eighth, Larned  
620-285-2211  
Fax: 620-285-7073

#### PAWNEE COURTHOUSE

Pawnee County Court Services  
24th Judicial District  
620-285-3100

Pawnee County Attorney  
John Settle  
620-285-2139  
Fax: 620-285-6293

Pawnee County Clerk  
Ruth Searight  
620-285-3721  
Fax: 620-285-2559

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620-285-3721

#### COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

606 Topeka, Suite 102, Larned  
Denise Wood, director  
620-285-3128

#### JUVENILE INTAKE

606 Topeka, Suite 102, Larned  
Denise Wood, director  
620-285-3129

#### PROBATION SERVICES

202 W. Sycamore, Ness City  
Sue Fehrenbach, director  
785-798-3695

#### DOMESTIC RELATIONS COUNSELOR

606 Topeka, Suite 4, Larned  
Shana O'Neil  
620-285-3100

202 W. Sycamore, Ness City  
Sue Fehrenbach, director  
785-798-3695

#### COURT SERVICES

Larned Municipal Court  
417 Broadway, Larned  
620-285-8500  
1st and 3rd Thursdays  
Judge Julie Fletcher Cowell

Pawnee County District Court  
District Judge Bruce Gatterman  
715 Broadway, Larned  
620-285-2247

Magistrate Judge, Julie Cowell  
715 Broadway, Larned  
620-285-6937

Clerk of the District Court  
715 Broadway, Larned  
Kay Schartz, Chief Clerk  
620-285-6937  
Linda Atteberry  
620-659-2217

#### CRIMESTOPPERS

419 Broadway, Larned  
620-285-3277

#### LARNED POLICE DEPARTMENT

419 Broadway, Larned  
620-285-8545

## History of Garfield

### Garfield's first settlers arrived in 1873

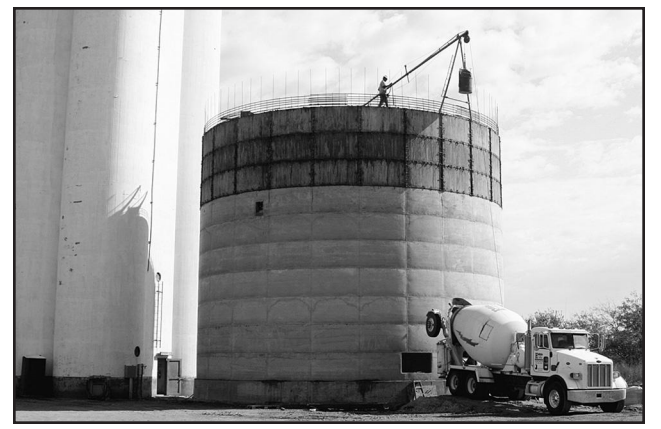
In the late summer of 1872, Camp Criley was established as a supply station for workmen building the Santa Fe railroad. As Captain J.D. Criley was superintendent of construction, the camp was named for him.

At Geneva, Ohio, an association of Union War veterans adopted a constitution and formed a company known as "The Volunteer Free Homestead Colony." Its object was to locate a colony under the existing Homestead Act. A committee of three examined prospective sites in Kansas and Nebraska, and agreed that Camp Criley was the most promising.

First settlers, led by Col. H.P. Wolcott, arrived at the old campsite on March 15, 1873. They were followed by home-seekers from Ohio's Nineteenth Congressional district and they changed the name of the town to honor their representative, and later president, James A. Garfield.

When Garfield was informed of this honor, he wrote that he would present a bell to the first church erected in the town. The bell hung in the Congregational Church from 1875 to 1959 and is now part of a monument in the City Park. Methodists of the community organized in 1878. The church building was erected the following year, and the enlarged and modernized structure is still used. The Swedish Evangelical Church was organized in 1879. When the present edifice was built in 1910, the white frame school building that had been used by the congregation was purchased by Charlie Peterson and is now used for storage. The Lutheran Church records were kept in Swedish until 1918.

Elmer Steven of Aurora, Ill., came to the town and established a weekly newspaper, The Garfield Letter. In July, 1885, news of the death of U.S. Grant was flashed over the wires and Steven stopped the press to put this in the first



**THE SKYLINE OF GARFIELD IS CHANGING** - Pawnee County Coop in Garfield is building new storage bins to handle future crops.

edition of the paper. In another of the early issues, the paper announced that a colony of 65 Swedish families had purchased land in the neighborhood and were coming to Garfield. Many of these same homesteads are still owned by the descendants of these families.

Prairie grass was the only thing visible for miles and miles. Emil Abrahamson once recalled that there was only one cottonwood tree between Kinsley and Garfield, and that was on a sandbar in the river. Coon Creek used to be called Clear Creek and it was fed by springs; you could see them bubbling on the bottom of the creek.

In 1895, when the population was 420, the

town exported 100 train carloads of flour, 200 cars of livestock, and 450 cars of wheat. The first general store in town was the Pitt's General Store. Mr. Erickson started a general store with his partner, Alfred Polson, and he also helped build the first flourmill. Polson's Mercantile Store was a great boon to the town until it burned on Easter Sunday in 1921. The Rains Family had a grocery store in the community for many years. Mr. Hitler was the proprietor of the first hotel. N.O. Waymire built a hardware store just west of the present city building.

Garfield is a quiet village with sparkling clear air and dear to the hearts of all her children.

## State Theatre adds Monday night movie showings

The State Theatre is a community-owned and operated movie theatre located at 617 Broadway in Larned. The Theatre is open every weekend, thanks to a volunteer effort that spans all of Pawnee County.

A "Save the State Theatre" movement started with the formation of an all-volunteer committee of citizens in the county, who realized the need of the local movie theatre in Pawnee County. The theatre sat idle for a number of years and the committee's goal was to bring the theatre back to life.

On July 2, 2002, the "State," as it has been known since its opening in 1949, was reopened and once again the trademark neon-lighted "State" marquee would light up the night and the smell of fresh popcorn filled the air on Broadway in downtown Larned on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. The efforts of the committee brought back the promise of movies every weekend. The "State" is a place where everyone wants to come to see their favorite movies, movie stars and have a bag of freshly-popped

popcorn.

The State Theatre is the true definition of a community-owned and operated successful business. This started because a group of citizens had a common goal and worked together to bring the State Theatre back into operation.

You are invited to enjoy a movie in a renovated movie theatre with digital/3D technology and comfortable seating in a great atmosphere. Sunday night is date night -- two tickets, two medium drinks and a medium popcorn for one low price. Movies are every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday night at 7 p.m.

See you at the movies at the "State"... great prices and fresh popcorn.

**NOW PLAYING**

# STATE THEATRE

**SHOW TIMES**  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday - 7 PM

**ADULT ADMISSION \$6**  
**3D Adult Admission \$7**  
**Children Under 11 - \$4**  
**3D Children Under 11 - \$5**

**SUNDAY NIGHT**  
**COUPLES SPECIAL - \$15**  
**2 Adult Admissions**  
**2 Medium Drinks**  
**Medium Popcorn**

**SUNDAY NIGHT**  
**COUPLES SPECIAL 3D - \$17**  
**2 Adult Admissions**  
**2 medium Drinks**  
**Medium Popcorn**

**617 BROADWAY • LARNED**  
**620-285-3535**

## American Legion, Walter S. Cheers Post 106

The American Legion, founded in Larned by Walter S. Cheers, has been in the same location for many years at 115 E. Seventh in Larned.

Along with our regular members we have a fine American Legion family consisting of the newly organized Legion Riders and Sons of the American Legion (SAL), which are getting a lot of new members, and our Ladies Auxiliary.

The Post sponsors American Legion Baseball and Boys and Girls State. These are both very good programs for the youth.

Legion Riders will honor Veterans at their funeral. They also provide a send-off and a welcome

home for active duty troops. They provide care packages overseas and support old soldiers at Ft. Dodge.

The Post had sponsored Boy Scouts and Girls State for more than 70 years.

Another important part of the Post home is the club activities. We have steak night on Saturdays and hamburgers on Fridays. We will also host other activities for different groups. All the work is done on a volunteer basis at this time.

Members of the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion comprise the Legion family, which has a

combined membership of nearly 4.2 million. SAL members include males of all ages, whose parents or grandparents served in the U.S. military and were eligible for American Legion membership.

The SAL supports the Citizens Flags Alliance, a coalition dedicated to protecting the U.S. flag from desecration through a constitutional amendment. Since 1988, SAL has raised more than \$5 million for The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. SAL members have volunteered over 250,000 hours at veterans' hospitals and raised more than \$915,688 for VA hospitals and VA homes.



## AMERICAN LEGION

### Walter S. Cheers Post 106

115 E. 7th • 620-285-6146 • Larned

Members & Guests Welcome

— Join Us —

**FRIDAY NIGHTS**

**Hamburger Basket w/Home Fries**

**from 5:30 - 7:30 PM**

**SATURDAY NIGHTS**

**Steaks from 5:30 - 8:00 PM**

- Smoke Free Environment -