CinemaVision is now available with PVCH's MRI

Imagine being able to watch your favorite movie during an MRI.

This is a reality for patients at Pawnee Valley Community Hospital with the new CinemaVision technology.

Innovative "goggles," accompanied with MRIsafe headphones, immerse patients in a movie of their choice and ultimately help them remain calm during the noisy MRI scan. This will also allow technicians to obtain better imaging results without the use of sedation or anesthesia.

"Our hope is that this technology will decrease the anxiety of our patients that getting an MRI can cause." said Shelly Stanton, PVCH imaging director. "If you have ever had the pleasure of having

Leigh Anne Stelter has

made Larned her home

since 1994. That is not

including the time she

spent here in the early

'70s. Born but not raised

her family in 1973 to Le-

oti and then Hill City. She

is the daughter of Jack and

Lois Smades, Larned. Af-

ter graduating from Kan-

sas State University and

living in Kansas City for

a time, Leigh Anne found

herself moving back to

Larned to join her father

in the insurance business.

Jack Smades was a barber

and '70s. When given the

in Larned in the 1960s

in Larned, she moved with

an MRI, you have experienced the strain of having to lie perfectly still for about 40 minutes, while you hear the constant ping of the MRI during your testing. An MRI is a very important diagnostic tool for many medical conditions, but people do have trouble taking the test, especially if they are a least bit claustrophobic. The loud noise and long period of lying absolutely still can also lead to serious anxiety."

The CinemaVison goggles produce an image similar to what a person would experience from a five-foot display set while standing 10 feet away. So, the image will appear as if it is being projected from a distance to prevent any feelings of claustrophobia.

employee benefits program

opportunity to move back

to Larned in 1988, Jack

and Lois jumped at the

insurance industry with

Farm Bureau, Jack hired

Leigh Anne as an agent

enjoyed a career with

Farm Bureau for several

years. During the last 2-3

years she was with Farm

created a partnership with

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Bureau, the company

Aflac in which Leigh

Anne pursued whole-

partnership with Aflac

business owners as a

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Aflac specializes in an

Patients have the option of viewing a pre-selected video or bring a favorite DVD from home to watch, or can listen to their favorite CD.

The CinemaVision system was funded through the Pawnee Valley Community Hospital Foundation as a way to improve a patient's MRI experience. "As an MRI patient myself, I know first-hand the noise you experience during MRI testing," said Lewis Young, PVCH Foundation trustee and donor. "I am so glad to be able to help improve our PVCH's patients' experience and reduce their anxiety while they receive MRI testing."

PVCH Auxiliary donated Tango System

Pawnee Valley Community Hospital Auxiliary members recently donated the funding to the PVCH Foundation for a new Tango System in PVCH's Cardiopulmonary Depart-

"The Auxiliary felt that since so many of our citi-

dressing specific needs

for their employees and

their families. I ended up

traveling the state training

other Farm Bureau agents

value to business owners

After about 12 years

away from the insurance

came back in July 2013 in

an Aflac District Sales Co-

ordinator role. In late Oc-

tober 2015, she was pro-

moted to Regional Sales

Coordinator overseeing 25

counties in the Southwest

corner of the state. In her

spare time you will find

her enjoying time with her

family; Tyler Stelter who

is a Freshman at K-State,

more and Jack Stelter, 7th

The Larned Regional

Aflac office was pleased to announce the addition of Rhonda Vratil to the

office staff in November, 2016. She serves as Re-

gional Recruiting Admin-

Aflac specializes in

program at no cost to the

employer. They also offer

on an individual basis. In

policies such as cancer

and accident insurance

addition, they are look-

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and currently have sales

positions available. For

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Larned, 620-264-5030.

more information, call or

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zens return to PVCH for their cardiac rehab, that the Tango System would greatly benefit these patients in their rehab process," said PVCH Auxiliary president Barbara Hammond.

The technology of this system is specifically engineered for the cardiac stress testing environment by integrating with the rehab treadmill system to take blood pressure readings while the patient is in motion on the treadmill for a cardiac test.

The system is set up and timed to do blood pressure checks as needed with great accuracy. The automated blood pressure monitor allows a staff member to focus on the patient rather than spending valuable time taking manual measurements.

"At times it is difficult to obtain a blood pressure on a patient when we have the noise of the treadmill and other noises in the room," said Kathy Weaver, cardiopulmonary director. "This system allows us to give better and more precise care for our patients receiving treadmill testing. It also frees up the therapist to assist with other duties during the treadmill test if needed."



Informed **Pawnee County's** Progress!





Ashley Peintner,

Progressive Therapy & Sports Medicine dedicated to highly expert care

Progressive Therapy & Sports Medicine, PTSM, has been an integral part of the Larned, Kansas community since opening its doors in April 2008. Kevyn Soupiset, DPT has led Larned's physical therapy team ever since the business opened. Ashley Peintner, DPT, Shawn Jecha, PTA, Carrie Hildebrand, PT and Vickie Wilson are all very eager to serve your needs.

The PTSM staff is dedicated to highly expert care in a friendly and caring environment. PTSM has grown from initially 2 staff members in 2008 to currently 5 employees. They were very honored to have received the Larned Area Chamber of Commerce's Small Business of the year in 2015.

Progressive Therapy & Sports Medicine specializes in Orthopedic Rehabilitation and all musculoskeletal dysfunctions including Low Back Pain, Neck & Shoulder Pain, Sports Injuries, Foot Orthotics, Total Joint Rehab, Foot & Ankle Pain, Work Injuries, Fall Risk Screening, Balance Rehab, Shoulder Rehab, manual therapy techniques for soft tissue and manipulation of the spine and extremities, spinal decompression, ASTYM Therapy, and women's health.

Progressive Therapy is a part of an area wide consortium of therapy clinics with offices in Great Bend, Larned, & Hays. "Come see us to get YOUR life back"!



Carrie Hildebrand, PT



Shawn Jecha, PTA

Smith Dental Clinic began in 1968

Smith Dental Clinic has been a dental provider for the Larned Community since July 11, 1968. The practice began with Dr. Terry Smith at an office on Broadway.

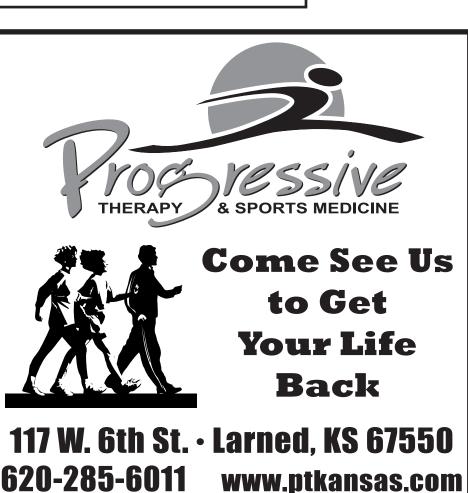
In 1995, Dr. Terry moved his practice to our current location at 706 Fort Larned Avenue. Dr. Terry is married to Jill Christensen-Smith, an accomplished Christian musician, and they are both very active in their local church. Both Dr.

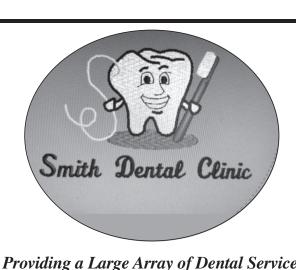
Terry and his wife are big supporters of many Larned Indian activities and sports.

Our practice is unique in that it is a father and son team. Dr. Trent Smith joined his father as a partner in the practice in 1998. As well as practicing in our office, Dr. Trent is licensed to do dentistry under sedation at Pawnee Valley Community Hospital. We frequently have patients come to our office that are extremely nervous, both children and adults, and sometimes the best way to get their dental work done is by having them under sedation so they do not have a bad visit to remember at the dentist office. This has been an awesome addition to our community. Dr. Trent is married to Julie Smith who works as a pharmacist at Pawnee Valley Community Hospital. They have three children in our school system; Tristan and Sierra are at the high school and their youngest, Ty is at Northside. Both Dr.s are currently accepting new patients, and do accept most insurance. Our hours are Monday through Thursday 8-5 and our phone number is 620-285-6531. Please call us for all of your

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