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Pawnee County Humane Society, Inc. looks after animals in Pawnee County

Pawnee County Humane Society, Inc. (PCHS) is a 501(c)3 non-profit animal rescue group operating a nokill shelter in Pawnee County. Their mission is to "prevent suffering, neglect, abuse and cruelty to animals through community awareness and education, promoting responsible pet ownership and ending the euthanasia of healthy, adoptable animals in Pawnee County, Kansas."

The group began in 2005 when some concerned citizens in Larned wanted to do something about pet homelessness in the city. At that time the only option for strays was a three day stay in the city pound and euthanasia if they weren't claimed by their owners. Recognizing that many healthy, adoptable animals were being put down for lack of a safe, caring place to stay until they could be adopted they decided to do something about it.

The group was originally established as a steering committee under the City of Larned. Their first priority was decreasing the euthanization of these unclaimed pets. Without a shelter the group did this by establishing a network of volunteer foster homes. Caring individuals opened their homes, and their hearts, to these animals, giving them time to find homes. As awareness of their efforts grew, PCHS also began helping with animals from Pawnee County. The group incorporated in 2008 as



NEEDING A FOREVER HOME - Teddy is looking for a forever home and a loving family. He enjoys taking walks, even enjoying some time at the fort recently.

a non-profit 501 (c) 3 charity and in August of 2011 they opened their shelter at the corner of 8th Street and Hwy 264 in Larned.

Over the years PCHS has rescued over 2000 stray dogs and cats, giving them food, shelter and medical care until they are adopted. They have also returned hundreds of lost pets to their owners. All the animals adopted out by PCHS are micro chipped, which is one of the best ways to ensure lost pets return to their owners. They also offer micro chipping to the public for \$10 for each pet micro chipped.

The shelter is operated through a partnership with the City of Larned and the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC). The city owns the shelter and pays for the utilities and maintenance, and KDOC provides inmates for animal care Monday through Friday. Volunteers care for the animals on evenings and weekends. All the operating funds come from donations and fundraisers.

PCHS looks forward to a time when shelters will no longer be necessary because pet owners are responsible and pets are spayed and/ or neutered. Spaying and neutering your pets is the best way to help reduce the homeless pet population in your community.

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State Theatre is open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday at 7 p.m.

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. The citizens of Pawnee County have been a great partner in making the State Theatre a success by being involved in our community and county by their support in attending the movies since the theatre opened in 2002. The citizens should be very proud of what they have accomplished and what they help provide to Pawnee County.

A "Save the State Theatre" movement was started by a volunteer committee of citizens, who realized the need for a local movie theatre in Pawnee County. 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 theatre replaced their current digital projector with a new state of the art projector in September 2017. At the time the projector was installed, we were one of the only small number of theatres in the State to be using the new age projector. In the summer of 2016 the State Theatre brought back the Drive-In Movie experience to Pawnee County by providing the movie American Graffiti. The committee would like to continue this in the future. In September 2015 the theatre expanded the number of movie nights to include Monday movies.

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.

We want to encourage the citizens of Pawnee County to be involved in our community and county by supporting the State Theatre when they come and enjoy a movie. The State Theatre works hard to bring the movies that everyone wants to see and will continue to provide quality movies. The theatre appreciates your support since 2002 and looks forward to your continued community involvement by supporting the theatre by joining us for a movie on the weekends.

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

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