

Country Living of Larned, a feeling of understated elegance

Our 18-apartment, 12,000 sq.ft., assisted living residence is perfect for mature adults who want to remain active, yet have the services they need to continue to live a confident life. Located in Larned, just south of Pawnee Valley Community Hospital, the residence is made to exude a feeling of understated elegance. There are many comfortable areas that create social environments and encourage a variety of activities; residents can read a book by the brick fireplace, listen to music by the

grand piano, or enjoy the company of friends on the outdoor patio. A professional kitchen and stylish dining room are centrally located, and each assisted living suite has a kitchenette so that residents can choose to prepare their own meals or join other residents for professionally prepared, tasty and nutritious meals. The Country Living of Larned campus, which is also home to Country Living Memory Care and Country Living Home Plus currently employs 44 staff members and is

home to 42 residents. Laura Smith has been the Country Living director since the opening of the first residence in 2005. During her tenure with Country Living of Larned, both Country Living and Country Living Memory Care have passed state surveys with zero deficiencies year after year. Country Living of Larned has maintained a respected reputation as a leader in the assisted living industry. The Larned campus provides residences that are welcoming, well-designed

and focus on the specific needs of their residents. Individual care and comfort are stressed, and the residences are staffed to provide the appropriate level of assistance for each resident. Each residence is constructed to exacting standards for quality, and the modern and elegant interiors are designed to help seniors feel independent, secure and dignified. To learn more about Country Living of Larned or Country Living Memory Care, please call Laura Smith, Director at 620-285-6900.

From The Tiller & Toiler Archives

The Tiller & Toiler Thursday, July 6, 1944 Medicine Show Tactics Helped Save Pawnee's Wheat Crop In 1919

"Step right up men, I have jobs for everyone out in Pawnee County where the big wheat grows! Room and meals furnished and the fairest wage you can get anywhere in the state of Kansas. Special train leaving for Larned tonight."

The speaker was E. E. Frizell, then mayor of Larned; the time was early July in 1919. Pawnee County had its best wheat prospects in several years and there was a severe shortage of labor to harvest it. Although the Armistice ending the first World War was signed the previous November, demobilization was a slow process and harvest hands were in demand everywhere. Pawnee County had experienced near crop failures in 1917 and 1918. Now there was wheat and Larned business men were determined to save it for the farmers if they could.

Headed by Mayor Frizell, a committee of business men combed the larger cities of the state, signed up willing workers with the lure of good wages, free transportation, and three or four weeks of steady employ-

ment. Biggest potential labor market was Kansas City, and it was there that the Mayor and his assistants adopted their old style medicine show tactics to attract prospects. The campaign was a monumental success. Two special trains, one carrying 400 harvest hands, the other more than 300, pulled into the Santa Fe station on the eve of the wheat harvest. Farmers paid the railroad fare, business men provided the lip service that was vitally important in getting the job done. Other groups of workers were signed up at Wichita, Topeka, Newton, and at other cities. Some came from as far as St. Louis. A great crop was harvested and threshed. Other members of the Pawnee labor scouting squadron were Nathan Jones, V. O. Standish, C. T. McTyre, Perry Baughman, W. L. Earl, W. E. Wiggins, Charles Grimsley, Paul Margois, James Dunn, R. R. Davis, Hugh Freese, Ward Schumacher, W. A. Scott, and Todd Milloway.

The Tiller and Toiler Friday, April 17, 1919 An Old Citizen Returns 'Possum,' Collie Dog Returns from Hutchinson After a Six Months Sojourn

"Possum," nobody's dog, who has been missing from his accustomed haunts in Larned for the last six months, returned to Larned by express Tuesday evening from Hutchinson. "Possum" has been missing since the last day of the county fair last year when, it is presumed, following his habit, he jumped on the running board of a car to come to town, and the car much to his surprise sped on to Hutchinson. At least that's where he finally wound up. Nobody knew where he was until Tuesday, Leon Reed was in Hutchinson, standing in front of the Midland Hotel, when he saw "Possum." "Possum" saw him also, and manifested his discovery by loud yelps and barks, which attracted quite a crowd. The dog was in possession of a taxicab
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the fort staff shares daily with visitors. Fort Larned's last event in 2017 was Christmas Past on Saturday, December 9th, held in the afternoon. Visitors were treated to a re-creation of a frontier Army Christmas complete with 19th century desserts, Christmas caroling, crafts for the kids, and pictures with Santa. We had a beautiful fall weather day with over 280 visitors. Fort Larned would like to thank all its supporters and volunteers. The fort will be focusing on programming that highlights the 150-years of the completion of the sandstone building construction through educational Geology programs for students called Fort Larned Rocks! We plan on several night sky programs this year, and really look forward to another Naturalization program along with our annual events. Join us for another exciting year of events, programs, and activities.

www.nps.gov/fols
Fort Larned National Historic Site is located six miles west of Larned on Kansas Highway 156. Information on visiting is on the internet at www.nps.gov/fols, or by calling 620-285-6911, or email to fols_superintendent@nps.gov. For information on area tourism partners, lodging, dining, and community services go to www.larnedks.org or call (620) 285-6916.

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Larned High School student council, to provide food, toys, & clothing to needy families in Pawnee County.
· Monthly Sleep Clinic
· Cardiac/Pulmonary annual heart and lung healthy party
· With the help of the PVCH Auxiliary and the PVCH Foundation the hospital was able to purchase a baby warmer for the Emergency Department and an educational mannequin to help with staff training and competencies.



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ASSISTED LIVING, MEMORY CARE
& HOME PLUS SERVICES

At our residence your loved one has the freedom to live with choice in their care, while you can be secure that they are being cared for by compassionate and professional staff.
Please contact us to schedule a private tour of our residence and learn about our customized programs and personalized attention.



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