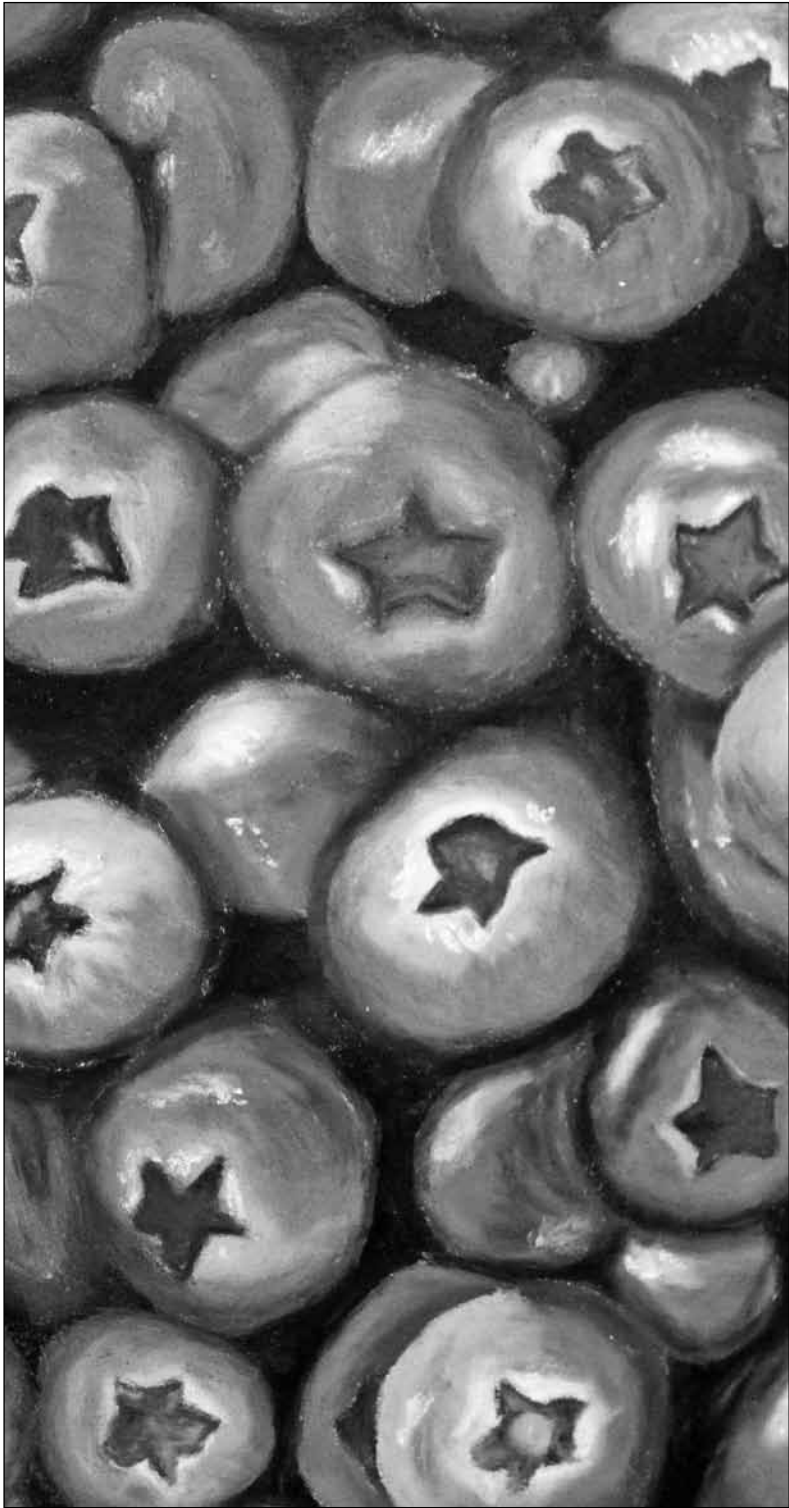


—ARTIST OF THE WEEK, JULIA WOHLER—



The Artwork: "Blueberries" is an oil pastel piece featuring a close-cropped image of blueberries. Julia began the piece with a rough outline sketch on pastel board. She used a light blue oil pastel with very light pressure to sketch the outlines without layering too much oil pastel. The pastel board has a fine grit, almost to the feel of sandpaper, to hold the oil pastel layers. With the outline sketch complete, Julia worked on each blueberry individually, blending her dark, medium and light blues to create the 3-dimensional form of the berries. With the blueberries complete, she added the dark blacks of the gaps between blueberries to create even more depth, further demonstrating the multiple layers of fruit underneath. Julia finished the piece using her white pastel to add the final highlights, giving a realistic gloss to each of the blueberries.



The Artist: Julia Wohler is a junior at SHS where she is active in Future Business Leaders of America, art and Student Council (treasurer). She competes for the Black Bears in volleyball and basketball. Outside school Julia enjoys attending youth group and works as a CNA at the Lyons Hospital. Julia is the daughter of Jaret and Tina Wohler.

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vase and balloon were presented by the group to President DeeAnn Fabian for her birthday. Chris Zwick was the guest speaker and told of her training and work as an occupational therapist.

50 years ago  
February 6, 1975

Winners in a recent fund raising drive to collect money for environmental protection were members of section one of the sixth grade at the Alden Attendance Center. The students raised \$96.42 for the National Resources Defense Council, a non-profit agency which monitors adherence to environmental protection laws. Students participating included Don Washmon, Phillip Brownlee, Tim Arell,

Tammy Cox, Dee Owens, Susan Schmidt, Johnson, Cherie Roberts, Ricky Krueger, Kelly McMurphy, John Taylor, Barry Morgan, Kim Rose, Stacy Ramsey, Lisa Ford, Todd Bunton, David Hoover, Verlan Willhaus, John Foster, Debbie Gill, Laurie Rowley and Stephanie Davis.

The Silver Threads Center board announces with regret this week the resignation of the program director, Mrs. Doris Powers, effective February 14. Arthur Gathman has been hired as the new director for Silver Threads.

Rice County Arts Council executive board met at the Lyons home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Snyder Thursday evening with all members present. Chairman Gordon Zahradnik, Sterling; Mrs. Marilyn Snyder, Lyons; Mrs. Jean Wolesslagel,

Lyons; Mrs. Bonnie Dysart, Sterling; Mrs. Georgina Wellman, Alden, are members of the board.

75 years ago  
February 2, 1950

Commander Bill Stahl of the American Legion and Mrs. Anna Harrison, president of the Women's Auxiliary, examine the charred interior of the Legion Hut which was nearly destroyed by fire last Friday morning. The entire ceiling is burned away, exposing the badly damaged rafters and ceiling joists. On the wall is the remains of a wooden airplane propeller which was fitted with a clock in the hub. Very little of the furniture and fixtures are salvageable.

Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Evans, who moved here recently from Pratt, are making preparations to open a linoleum, wall-paper and paint store in the building formerly oc-

FYI

**Aging Projects Inc. Friendship Meals**  
Phone 620-680-1068  
Thursday, Feb. 6 – mac and cheese, little smokies, stewed tomato, spiced apples, milk or grape juice.  
Friday, Feb. 7 – chicken salad on a bun, set up PLT, coleslaw, peach milk or grape juice.  
Monday, Feb. 10 – spaghetti with meat sauce, green bean, pineapple, garlic sticks, milk or grape juice.  
Tuesday, Feb. 11 – scalloped potato with

ham, Harvard beets, pears, wheat roll, milk or grape juice.  
Wednesday, Feb. 12 – Mexican pork stew, corn and pepper blend, stewed apples, corn bread, milk or grape juice.  
Thursday, Feb. 13 – hamburger on a bun, set up PLOT, potato salad, mandarin oranges, milk or grape juice.  
**Food Bank**  
The Sterling Food Bank is open the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and the first

and third Thursdays of every month from 5 to 7 p.m.  
For information contact, manager, Brigette Bennett, 620-200-3437 or treasurer, Fran Wolcott, 316-435-2473.  
**Wellness Center**  
The Wellness Center is open Monday through Thursday from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to noon. The SRC board will meet Monday, Feb. 3, 2025, at 6 p.m. at the high school conference room.

**Silver Threads Senior Center**  
by Loida Leone, Interim Director

**Silver Threads Senior Center**  
Loida Leone, Director  
220 N 3rd, Sterling  
620-680-1068  
Silver Threads Senior Center is a happening place. All individuals 55+ years of age are welcome to participate. We would love for you to come see. Call Loida at 620-680-1068 for questions or to volunteer.

Monday through Friday except federal holidays at 10 a.m. coffee and fellowship is served. At noon Friendship Meals serves on site Congregate Meals and delivers Meals on Wheels. If interested in eating with us we request that you make a reservation 24 hours ahead of time at 620-680-1068.

Mondays from 9:45 a.m.–noon, retired nurse Deb Scott offers a foot clinic for anyone in the community. Appointments need to be made with her at 620-509-7153.

On Tuesdays after lunch we play bingo and dominoes on alternate weeks. On Wednesdays board games are played.

Mondays and Thursdays at 9 a.m., the Silver Threads van offers rides going to businesses in Sterling. For Mondays call Les at 620-727-4274 and for Thursdays call Seneca at 620-204-1746.

Reservations need to be made a day ahead for these Sterling Stops.

Tuesdays from 10:30 a.m.–11ish we have chair exercises.

Throughout the month we do crafts, celebrate birthdays, fun holidays, go on trips and to special events. We'd love for you to join us.

**Other highlights:**

Feb. 6 (12:15 p.m.) – Larry Schumaker from Birzer Funeral Home will share information on end of life planning.

Feb. 7 (12:30 pm) – Shopping trip to Hutchinson

Feb. 10 (11 a.m.)– Blood pressure and blood sugar clinic by RCCA nurses

Feb. 14 (12 noon) -Valentine Party

Feb. 15 (9:30 a.m.) – Shopping trip to Lyons and Sterling Thrift Stores


Feb. 17 (1-7 p.m.) -World Treasure Museum trip and dinner in Wichita

Feb. 19 (9:30 a.m.) – Monthly potluck breakfast

Feb. 20 (3 p.m.) – Silver Threads Board Meeting at Jefferson Plaza

Feb. 23 (12 noon) –Meet and Greet with city manager Ian Hutcheson.


**Weather**



Moisture YTD: 1.34  
2024 Total: 29.47

	Prec.	Lo	Hi
Wednesday..	.06	27	52
Thursday.....	.04	34	43
Friday.....	0	31	51
Saturday.....	0	31	56
Sunday.....	0	31	66
Monday.....	0	21	54
Tuesday.....	0	20	24

**Sterling Markets**



Wednesday Market Session

Wheat, per bu .....	\$5.45
Milo, per bu .....	\$4.16
Corn, per bu .....	\$4.32
Soybeans, per bu .....	\$9.75

Sterling Public Library invites you to a


**“Poet-tea”**

**Sunday, March 2**

**2-4 p.m.**

Featuring POETRY  
written and read by  
Sterling College Literary Students

*Tea, dessert and coffee will be served*





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ANNUAL REPORT OF WILSON TOWNSHIP RICE COUNTY, KANSAS					
The undersigned treasurer and trustee of Wilson Township, submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 2024.					
FINANCIAL REPORT					
Fund*	Cash Balance Jan. 1 **	Total Receipts	Total Expenditures	Cash Balance Dec 31	Unpaid Bills Dec 31
General	334.98	9573.62	9491.00	417.60	\$ 0 -
Road	7650.52	106,752.41	106,252.00	5150.93	\$ 0 -
<del>Library</del>					\$ -
Machine	83068.50	19918.55	5190.42	97,796.63	\$ 0 -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

\*Detailed fund pages are available at the county clerk's office.  
\*\*Includes all money the township has including checking account, savings and investments.

I certify that this financial report is a correct summary of all money received and expended as well as all unpaid bills for the township during the year ending December 31, 2024.

Date 1-17-25 Julie M. Engelland  
Township Treasurer

Date 1-17-25 Jack Engelland  
Township Trustee

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**Public Notices**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICE COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALICE P. MILLER, Deceased.

Case No. 25 PR 4

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 23rd day of January, 2025, a Petition was filed in this Court by Granville M. Bush IV, named executor in the Last Will and Testament of the decedent, praying that the Last Will and Testament of Alice P. Miller, dated May 20, 2024, be admitted to probate and record; that Granville M. Bush IV be appointed as executor of said will without bond; and that he be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 24th day of February, 2025, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. of such day, in this Court, in the City of Lyons, in Rice County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four (4) months from

the date of first publication of this Notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Granville M. Bush IV  
Petitioner

BUSH, BUSH & SHANELEC  
Attorneys at Law  
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICE COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF GENE G. DOBBINS, Deceased, and BETTE J. DOBBINS, Deceased

Case No. 25 PR 5

NOTICE OF HEARING  
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:  
You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court

by Gale D. Dobbins, an heir of Gene G. Dobbins, deceased, and of Bette J. Dobbins, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of the property owned by Gene G. Dobbins and Bette J. Dobbins at the times of their deaths, and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before March 3, 2025, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day, in said court, in the City of Lyons, Rice County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

GALE D. DOBBINS  
Petitioner

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