



LIBRARY DIRECTOR Laurel Watney cuts the ribbon for the library's new C.S. Lewis Center.

SC holds ribbon cutting for new C.S. Lewis Center

Sterling College officially celebrated the opening of its new C.S. Lewis Center with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Monday inside the Mabee Library. The event marked the launch of a unique academic and community space dedicated to the literary, theological, and philosophical legacy of C.S. Lewis.

The C.S. Lewis Center is designed to foster engagement with Lewis's works through reading groups, scholarly research, public lectures, and student-led discussions. It will serve as a hub for students, faculty, and the broader Sterling and South-Central Kansas communities, as well as regional and national Lewis scholars.

The ceremony featured remarks from President Scott Rich, Dr. Waters, Laurel Watney, and student speakers Megan Ratzlaff and Dawson Urwiller.

The Sterling Chamber of Commerce participated in the official ribbon-cutting with Meg Van Dyk,

Chamber board president, speaking in the program, and then coordinating the official ribbon cutting in the C.S. Lewis Center area of Mabee Library.

Guests were invited to explore the space, view a curated exhibit of C.S. Lewis's complete works, and enjoy refreshments provided by Clive's Staples Coffeehouse.

This spring event served as a "soft launch" to introduce the center to the Sterling College and local communities. A larger grand opening and dedication event is planned for September 2025, which will include invited C.S. Lewis scholars, faculty lectures, and extended programming.

The C.S. Lewis Center at Sterling College will continue to expand its offerings with initiatives such as a monthly book club, a summer reading challenge in partnership with Clive's Staples Coffeehouse, Lewis-themed readings and discussions, and a planned local conference in spring 2026.

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cords. Her efforts in tracking alumni connections, including family relationships, marriages, births and career updates, have strengthened the college's ability to engage and support its alumni network.

"Betty has quietly and joyfully served the Advancement and Alumni Office for many years. We are exceedingly grateful for her servant-heart and love for SC," said David Earle, vice president for advancement and alumni relations.

Calderwood's legacy of commitment extends beyond her volunteerism. She and her husband, Bill Calderwood (a 1957 graduate),

have been longtime supporters of the college, both financially and through their personal involvement.

Together, they were honored as Alumni Award winners in 2002, and Bill was recognized as a Distinguished Service Award recipient in 2008.

Their dedication to Sterling College is further demonstrated through the Bill and Betty (Bott) Calderwood Endowed Scholarship, which they established to help provide students with an affordable Christian education.

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest honor presented to a Sterling College alumnus. It recognizes individuals who exemplify the college's mis-

sion through exceptional contributions to society, distinguished professional accomplishment,

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"Dirty Shoes," pencil; Isabell Bates, "A Bug's Life," oil pastel; Bates, "Summertime," pencil; Stokley Smith, "Polar," scratch; Gretchen Buchberger, "From the Shadows," scratch; Sophia Forman, "Catching Waves," watercolor; Brock Forman, "Home on the Range," scratch; Brock Forman, "Old Man," pencil; Sophie Fox, "Stare," pencil.

Silver medal winners from Sterling included: Emelia Madden, "Chap-

ter 2," pencil; Jaeger, "Captured Camera," pencil; Jaeger, "Cherries," oil glaze; Leland Britton, "Girl," pencil; Mikaela Miller, "Race Day," pencil; Miller, "Breakfast," ceramics; Zach Dashiell "Hours," scratch; Ameliya White, "Waiting," oil glaze; Aleya Ravenstien, "Cruising," pencil; Gillespie, "Trailing Behind," stippling; Fox, "Sophie #1," graphics; Smith, "Strawberries," oil glaze.

Merit awards for Sterling included: Nolan Wellman, "Com-

panion," scratch; Wellman, "Autumn Haze," oil pastel; Averie Kocher, "Washed," pencil; Alexis Sant, "Shore line," mixed media; Shklar Olsen, "Vintage TV," oil glaze; Kenadee Schmidt, "Curious," scratch; Schmidt, "Grilled Cheese," oil pastel; Ravenstien, "Toucan," chalk.

The Rice County Arts Council hopes all Rice County community members will take time to view the gallery and see all of the talent displayed from these local schools.

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ensemble, Kurt Keegan (Burlington) portrays the scheming Mr. McQueen, with Taggart Reiss (Hutchinson) as the ill-fated but wise Joseph "Old Man" Strong. Aubrey Anderson (Sterling) steps into the role of the feisty Little Becky, while Brennan Blake (Cambridge, Minn.) plays the unscrupulous Senator Fipp. Keeping the law in check (or trying to) are Copper Collins (Pretty Prairie) as the loyal yet

dimwitted Officer Barrel and Kassia Lopez (Lyons) as the resilient Josephine "Ma" Strong.

Rounding out the cast, Macy Brownlee (Sterling) appears as Tiny Tom, Kyle Arnett (Colorado Springs, Colo.) as Robby the Stockfish, Harleigh Baker (Burlington) as Soupy Sue, Elles Herndon (Pratt) as Mrs. Millennium, and Makenzy Carter (Wichita) as Billy Boy Bill. Together, this cast brings life, laughter and just the right amount of rebellion to this delightfully

twisted musical.

Directed by Marisa Callan, who also serves as Music Director, "Urinetown: The Musical" will take the stage in Culbertson Auditorium on the Sterling College campus. Performance dates are Friday and Saturday, April 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee on Sunday, April 13 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students and can be purchased online at www.sterling.edu/arts or at the door before each performance.

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Public Notices

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
RICE COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF
PATRICIA M. LEBACK,
Deceased.

Case No. 23 PR 46

NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PETITION FOR FINAL
SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL
PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed on the 5th day of March, 2025, in this Court by Amy E. Dillon, Executrix of the estate of Patricia M. Leback, deceased, praying for a final settlement of the estate; approval of the acts and proceedings of the executrix; and allowance for attorney fees. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 7th day of April, 2025, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on such day, in such Court, in the City of Lyons, in Rice County, at which time and place such cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

Amy E. Dillon
Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
RICE COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
NEIL T. GROTH, deceased

Case No. 25 PR 11

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 Linda Groth, as the spouse of Neil T. Groth, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of all property, real and personal, or interests therein, owned by the decedent at the time of his death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 14th day of April, 2025, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Lyons, in 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.

LINDA GROTH
Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
RICE COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
KENNETH R. WIENS,
Deceased

Case No. 25 PR 12

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL
PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of March, 2025, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary, appointing Deberah L. Wiens, Executrix, was filed in this Court by Deberah L. Wiens, spouse of Kenneth R. Wiens, deceased.

All creditors of the above-named decedent 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.

Deberah L. Wiens
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF RICE COUNTY, KANSAS
CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc.)
Plaintiff,)
vs.)
James Anderson; Libby)
Anderson; United States of)
America, Secretary of Housing)
and Urban Development; State)
of Kansas, Department of)
Revenue; John Doe (Tenant/)
Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/)
Occupant),)
Defendants.)

Case No. RC-2025-CV-000008
Court Number:
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

Notice Of Suit

THE STATE OF KANSAS, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown

NOTICE
Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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Sterling Public Notices

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ORDINANCE NO. 2575

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STERLING, KANSAS DESIGNATING CERTAIN STREETS AS MAIN TRAFFICWAYS OR TRAFFICWAY CONNECTIONS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO MAKE MAIN TRAFFICWAY IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-685 et seq., as amended and supplemented, (the "Main Trafficway Act") authorizes the governing body of the City of Sterling, Kansas (the "City") to designate by ordinance, any existing or proposed street or part thereof within the City as a main trafficway. The primary function of a main trafficway is, or will be, the movement of traffic (i) between areas of concentrated activity, or (ii) between such areas within the City and traffic facilities outside the City; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-686 authorizes the governing body of the City to designate by ordinance certain portions of existing streets as trafficway connections and to

connect any street with any of the main trafficways and/or connect any two (2) main trafficways and designate and establish the same as trafficway connections. The primary function of a trafficway connection is, or will be to: (i) provide adequate connections with or between main trafficways or (ii) relieving traffic congestion at certain points on said main trafficways; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City has determined it necessary to designate the following streets as main trafficways or trafficway connections as defined by the Main Trafficway Act:

Access road from the K-14/K-96 Bypass to Southwest of N. Broadway Avenue and Avenue U, in the Northwest Quarter of Section Sixteen (16) Township Twenty-One (21), Range Eight (8) West of the 6th P.M., Sterling, Rice County, Kansas

WHEREAS, the City further finds it to be necessary to authorize the improvement and paving of:

Access road from the K-14/K-96 Bypass to Southwest of N. Broadway Avenue and Avenue U, in the Northwest Quarter of Section Sixteen (16) Township Twenty-One (21), Range Eight (8) West of the 6th P.M., Sterling, Rice County,

Kansas

(collectively, the "Project") at an estimated cost of \$695,000 and to provide for payment of a portion of the cost thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized by the Main Trafficway Act, and K.S.A. 10-101 et seq., as amended and supplemented, to acquire, construct and install the Project; and to issue the City's general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying all or part of any costs thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF STERLING, KANSAS:

Section 1. Designation of Main Trafficways. The following streets, the primary function of said streets being the movement of through traffic between areas of concentrated activity within the City or between such areas with the City and traffic facilities outside the City performing the function of a major trafficway, are hereby designated and established as main trafficways, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-685 et seq., as amended and supplemented:

Access road from the K-14/K-96 Bypass to Southwest of N. Broadway Avenue and Avenue U, in the Northwest Quarter of Section Sixteen (16) Township Twenty-One (21),

Range Eight (8) West of the 6th P.M., Sterling, Rice County, Kansas

Section 2. Authorization of Project. It is hereby found and determined to be necessary and advisable to acquire, construct and install the Project (as defined above) in accordance with certain plans and specifications as previously approved by the governing body of the City.

Section 3. Payment of Project Costs. It is hereby authorized, ordered and directed that the Project be acquired, constructed and installed, all as hereinbefore described, at a total estimated cost not to exceed Six Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$695,000) plus the costs of issuing the Bonds. The Project is intended to be paid from (i) \$220,000 from other funds of the City, and (ii) the proceeds of the City's general obligation bonds (in one or more series) to be issued by the City in an estimated amount of \$475,000 plus the costs of issuing bonds.

Section 4. Authorization of the Bonds. It is hereby further authorized, ordered and directed that all or a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing and installing the Project shall be paid from the proceeds of the City's general obligation bonds to be issued by the City in an amount of approximately \$475,000 plus costs of issuing the

Bonds.

Section 5. Authorization of Temporary Notes. It is hereby further authorized, ordered and directed that in order to temporarily finance the estimated costs of the Project until the issuance of the general obligation bonds as hereinbefore provided, there shall be issued temporary improvement notes (the "Notes"), such notes to be issued from time to time upon subsequent resolution or resolutions of the City which shall provide and set forth the details of the Notes, including the fixing of the dates, terms, denominations, interest rates and maturity dates (not exceeding four years from the date of the notes and redeemable at any time prior to the stated maturity thereof). Such Notes shall be issued and provision shall be made therefor as funds are needed and required for the orderly construction of the Project; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, ordered and directed to prepare and execute each of such Notes in accordance with the terms of this Ordinance and the terms of the subsequent resolution or resolutions providing for same; and shall deliver the Notes to persons having claims against the City in connection with the improvements, or may sell the Notes at private or public sale and apply the proceeds therefrom to the payment of the actual costs

and expenses of the improvements. Any Notes issued under the authority of this Section shall be issued under and will contain a recital that they are issued under the authority of the Act (as defined above), and shall contain all other usual and required recitals and covenants and be in the form required therefor by said K.S.A. 10-123; and said Notes may be issued in combinations with any other temporary notes being issued by the City as shall be determined by the governing body at the time of such issuance to be in the City's best interest.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its adoption and approval and publication hereof one time in the City's official newspaper.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the governing body of the City of Sterling, Kansas on the 17th day of March, 2025.

CITY OF STERLING, KANSAS
By Brian Inwood, Mayor

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ATTTEST:
By Jessi Dobson, City Clerk

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