

Endacott Society

Retired Faculty and Staff endacottsociety.org July / August 2022

KABUL TO KANSAS CITY Endacott to welcome Azizi family with July 3 picnic

ndacott Society members are invited to help welcome the family of the former "best trumpet player in Afghanistan," Ahmad Baset Azizi, to Kansas and the U.S. at noon July 3 in the Weinberg Pavilion at the Lawrence Rotary Arboretum, 5100 W. 27th St.

Members should bring their own picnic lunch. Paul Lim, host for the event, will provide lunch for the Azizi family.

The trumpet player, known to his KU classmates as Baset, has been the subject of two CBS Steve Hartman news stories, one in 2016 and most recently on June 4. Hartman was with Baset in May when he saw his family for the first time in six years as they entered the KCI terminal.

His parents and three sisters were among the thousands able to evacuate Afghanistan on Aug. 26, 2021. They landed in Dubai where they spent nearly 10 months getting clearance to proceed to the United States and then to Kansas. They arrived in time to see Baset

graduate with three degrees: political science, global and international studies, and music.

"How Baset was able to leave his entire family in Kabul, ultimately to study trumpet-playing at KU, is a truly remarkable story," Paul says.

The Endacott Society was introduced to Baset by Allan and Louise Hanson in their Oct. 6 Public Affairs Forum via Zoom. He joined the forum discussion of the upheaval in Afghanistan. The program coincided with the Endacott Cinema Studies film series on daily life in Afghanistan and on immigration that Paul had organized.

Baset then was hopeful his family could arrive in Kansas in a matter of weeks. Paul offered to take Baset and his family to lunch if and when they could join him here.

In his posts on GoFundMe and Facebook pages, Baset held on to hope each month thereafter that his family would be arriving soon. Finally, in April the paperwork was cleared for them to fly to Washington, D.C.

Since arriving in Kansas, his family has been trying to resettle in Overland Park. And the long-promised lunch is now happening as well —with Endacott members joining Paul to welcome the Azizi family and celebrate their first Fourth of July weekend in America.

"After lunch, the irrepressible Ric Averill will provide a short musical program, ending in a singalong of songs like 'Somewhere Over the Rainbow,' 'Home on the

Range, 'This Land Is Your Land.' and, of course, 'The Star-Spangled Banner,' Paul said.

The pavilion tables seat about 25. Members may want to bring folding chairs.

If you missed the CBS story about Baset on June 4, he has it posted on the GoFundMe Page to help his family resettle: https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-basets-afghan-family-resettle-in-kansas



Pictured at the U.S. Capitol in 2021, Ahmad Baset Azizi served as a summer intern in the office of Kansas 2nd District Rep. Jake LaTurner.



2022 Annual Meeting



Above: Endacott presidents: MaryKay Mahoney (left) and Omofolabo "Folabo" Ajay-Sovinka at the June 22 annual meeting. Top right: During the meeting, outgoing president Folabo presented the incoming president, MaryKay, with a Nigerian woven shawl. MaryKay's 2022-23 term officially begins July 1. At right, members attended by Zoom and in person in the Malott Room of Kansas Memorial Union. Paul Willhite is president-elect for 2023-24.



KU Parking 2022-2023

New permits available July 1; 2021-22 permits expire July 31

Retiree annual permits (\$110) will be available to purchase starting July 1. Limited use permits (15-and 30-uses at \$15 or \$30) for 2022-23 will be available starting August 1.

All permits for 2021-22 — annual or limited use — expire July 31.

Limited use permits for 2021-22 are still available online and valid through July 31.

Daily permits cost \$1/day for retirees.

Summer enforcement

Parking enforcement will continue throughout the summer in Gold, Blue, and Red lots and in the parking garages. Yellow zones are restricted when classes are in session, including summer, and will be open and free to park August 1-19.

Please email <u>KUPark@ku.edu</u> if you have questions.

Permits can be purchased online through the <u>KU Parking portal</u> or by phone, 785-864-7275.

JULY / AUGUST ACTIVITIES

NOTE: To receive **Zoom links and passwords**, email MaryKay Mahoney mahoneym@merrimack.edu.

Some activities will not meet as frequently and some not at all in July and August.

Please look carefully at what is scheduled and note its locations and whether it is a hybrid or Zoom session or an in-person-only meeting. The Kansas Memorial Union is trying to accommodate Summer Orientation sessions through July and early August. The demand for meeting space has put some of our requests for meeting rooms on a wait list.

For in-person meetings, in consideration of everyone, participants are expected to be fully vaccinated and using masks if recommended.

No programs are scheduled for July or August for Armchair Travel, Computer and Technology Studies, Great Book Discussion, Out of Town Travel, Public Affairs Forum, or Singing for Fun.

10 O'CLOCK SCHOLARS (Hybrid)

Wednesday Coffee Hour)

MaryKay Mahoney mahoneym@merrimack.edu

Kansas Memorial Union, Malott Room, Level 6

Wednesday, July 6, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, July 13, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, July 20, 10 a.m. (room

to be announced)

Wednesday, July 27, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 10, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 17, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 24, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 10 a.m.

ARTS & SCIENCES

Kevin Boatright, kboatright@ku.edu

Monday, Aug. 8, 1:30 p.m.

Kansas Memorial Union Centennial Room

NOTE: Arts & Sciences lectures usually are scheduled on a Thursday. This change is only for the August program due to limited space availability at the Union as the fall semester begins.

The Jayhawker Cleveland: Phantom Horseman of the Prairie by David Hann

Aug. 21 marks the anniversary of the nefarious 1863 Lawrence Massacre (AKA, "Quantrill's Raid"). What better time to learn about one of the

men who fought against slavery during the Kansas-Missouri Border War? The violent story of littleknown (and short-lived) Marshall Cleveland is told in a vividly written new book by David Hann, retired administrator in KU's Office of Research. He will discuss his



book and its subject and respond to questions. His book is available in Lawrence bookstores and the Watkins Museum of History. David will also bring copies with him. Additional information is online at https://hannsksbooks.wixsite.com/writer.

CINEMA STUDIES

All Cinema Studies programs will be in the Lawrence Public Library until the Adams Alumni Center reopens. We will meet in either the A or C room on the library's lower level marked "LL" in the elevator.

We have received several interesting suggestions and look forward to more. Please text or email your suggestions to either of us when you are so inspired. Movies are following a patriotic theme for your enjoyment in July. *J Tom Adams*

DOCUMENTARY FILMS

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J Tom Adams papawmik2004@yahoo.com

Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1:30 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, Room C, Lower
Level

Hamilton: Building America

This TV documentary captures the amazing life and times of founding father Alexander Hamilton. Exploring the iconic American political and financial institutions he helped to create —



from the U.S. Mint and Wall Street to the two-party political system — the film examines Hamilton's enormous influence that still resonates today. Ron Chernow, whose biography of Hamilton served as the basis for the hit

Broadway musical, along with other notable names including journalists Tom Brokaw and Maria Bartiromo, contribute to an allencompassing look at one of our nation's most accomplished leaders. (2017. 1 hour 24 minutes)

DOMESTIC FILMS

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Tuesday, July 12, 1:30 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, Room C, Lower Level

1776

Based on the award-winning Broadway production, this musical celebrates the founding of the United States of America. The story centers around familiar historical characters as they organize a movement for independence from

Mother England: Tough, unyielding John Adams; the charming and pragmatic Ben Franklin; the brilliant young Thomas Jefferson, who is chosen to write the Declaration even as he longs for the company of his new bride, Martha; and the rest of the



Continental Congress. All events lead to the July 4, 1776, signing of the Declaration. (1972. 2 hours, 21 minutes)

Brain booster

Use the clues to find two words that rhyme and fit the description. For example, "an obese feline" would be a "fat cat."

- 1. a good piece of pizza
- 2. a weird ape
- 3. a dinner party for wild animals
- 4. a paw cover for a young cat
- 5. a robber in charge
- 6. a wealthy Halloween gal

From KU Alzheimer's Disease Research Center community outreach page (May 30, 2022). *Answers on Page 5*

Tuesday, July 26, 1:30 p.m.

 $Lawrence\ Public\ Library, Room\ C, Lower\ Level$

Yankee Doodle Dandy

James Cagney portrays the renowned composer,



playwright, actor, dancer, and singer George M. Cohan. "A big, enjoyable musical biography. Cagney is so cocky and sure a dancer that you feel yourself grinning with pleasure at his movements," per the late film critic Pauline Kael. (1942. 2 hours.

6 minutes)

Tuesday, August 9, 1:30 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, Room C, Lower Level

River of No Return

The titular river unites a farmer recently released

from prison for killing a man while defending another (Robert Mitchum), his young son who barely remembers his father (Tommy Rettig), and an ambitious saloon singer (Marilyn Monroe). Misfortune throws the three together and forces them to travel by raft to a destination where they



hope to recover losses. Their survival will compel each to be purged of anger and learn to understand and care for the others. Directed by Otto Preminger. (1954. 1 hour, 31 minutes)

FOREIGN FILMS

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Friday, July 29, 1:30 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, Room A, Lower Level

The Great War of Archimedes

In the 1930s, the Japanese Imperial Navy

commissioned a massive "super ship" capable of engaging multiple ships in a single battle. This Japanese film is a fictionalized version of a young mathematician's discovery of a conspiracy behind the super-ship design. Admiral Yamamoto opposed the design, insisting



more strategic, agile, and battle-ready warships

were the future. The admiral is ignored and he recruits a math genius to help uncover what he begins to suspect is a conspiracy. (2019. 1 hour, 30 minutes)

Friday, Aug. 26, 1:30 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, Room C, Lower Level

Squadron 303

The true story of the heroic World War II Polish fighter squadron in the Battle of Britain. Forced to flee their homeland, the pilots demonstrated heroism and skill that caught the attention of commanders, and an elite all-



Polish fighter squadron was created. (2017. 1 hour, 55 minutes)

DRAMA STUDY (Zoom)

Michael Shaw michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com

Tuesday, **July 5, 1:30 p.m.**

The Second Shepherds' Play, author unknown

Tuesday, July 19, 1:30 p.m.

Selecting plays for 2022-23

On July 5 we will be reading a short, early work, *The Second Shepherds' Play*. The unknown author, called the Wakefield Master, has combined comedy and religion. We will devote the July 19 meeting to choosing plays for next year.

No meetings in August.



GARDEN SEMINAR (Hybrid)

Cal & Jo Cink ccinkbird75@gmail.com

Kansas Memorial Union, room to be determined

Wednesday, July 27, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 9 a.m.

Garden Seminar will only meet once in July and August. The room will be announced later.

LUNCH BUNCH

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

If the weather is pleasant, the group will meet at the Weinberg Pavilion at the Rotary Arboretum. 5100 W. 27th St. If not pleasant, Ron will announce a local restaurant for that week.

Thursday, July 7, noon

Thursday, July 14, noon

Thursday, July 21, noon

Thursday, July 28, noon

Thursday, Aug. 4, noon

Thursday, Aug. 11, noon

Thursday, Aug. 18, noon

Thursday, Aug. 25, noon

MOVEMENT WORKSHOP Tai Chi

Haskell Springer springer@ku.edu

Weather permitting: sessions at South Park, east of the Bandstand.

Friday, July 8, 9 a.m.

Friday, July 15, 9 a.m.

Friday, July 22, 9 a.m.

Friday, July 29, 9 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 19, 9 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 26, 9 a.m.

OLD TIME RADIO (Zoom)

John Nicholson wryterjccc@gmail.com

Monday, July 25, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The theme will be Detectives. We will listen to "The Thin Man," originally scheduled for May. By popular request, we'll also hear a five-part serial from "Yours Truly, Johnny Dollar." The waiting room opens at 1:15 p.m. See the Zoom Guide for the links, or contact me. Guests are always welcome.

Monday, Aug. 29, 1:30-3:30 p.m. (Zoom)

August's theme will be Comedy. "The Bob Hope Show," "Easy Aces," "Popeye," and a newly discovered "Fibber McGee & Molly."

Brain Booster Answers:

1. nice slice

4. kitten mitten

2. funky monkey

5. chief thief

3. beast feast

6. rich witch

Assorted events in the neighborhood

Free Community Fireworks Display Sunday, July 3, 5:30-after 10 p.m.

The fireworks display begins about 9:45 p.m. and can be viewed from the Lied Center parking lot. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held Monday, July 4. Use this link for updates: https://lawrenceks.org/lprd/fireworks/

Schedule:

- 5:30 p.m.: Family-friendly activities at the Dole Institute of Politics
- 6 p.m.: <u>Tyler Gregory</u> at the Lied Center
- 7:15 p.m.: <u>The Black Creatures</u> at the Lied Center
- 8:30 p.m.: Ellie LeBar at the Lied Center
- 9:45 p.m.: Fireworks viewing at the Lied Center (launching from the KU Shenk Sports Complex at 23rd and Iowa streets)

Insight Art Talk and Exhibition Thursday **July 7, 7 p.m**.

Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire St. Artist-in-residence Jonathan Christensen Caballero on *Seeds of Tomorrow/Semillas Del Mañana*. His work is representation of the will of those in the Latin American community who work for a better life for their families and themselves. The exhibition opened June 24 and continues through July 23. The gallery is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and 1 to 9 p.m. on Sundays. Both the talk and exhibit are free.

Wakarusa Wetlands Celebration Sunday, July 10, 9-11 a.m.

(Rescheduled from June due to rain)

Haskell Indian Nations University
Local authors and artists will share their
connections to the wetlands and more of the
outside world — enhancing our connections to
nature, a sense of place, and community. We'll
begin at the Medicine Wheel Earthwork south of
the Haskell Campus buildings with a special land
recognition with Dr. Daniel Wildcat, a Yuchi
member of the Muscogee Nation of Oklahoma.
NOTE: Involves walking on unpaved surfaces.
More details online: Wakarusa Wetlands
Celebration

The Lead Horse Open III, Native American singing and dancing competition

July 19 and 20, noon to 8 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont St. In partnership with Lead Horse LLC, the library is host for a two-day Native American dancing and singing competition. Link for more details: <u>LeadHorseOpenIII</u>

2022 Lawrence Community Bike Ride is Back!

Saturday, July 16, 8:30 - 11 a.m.

All rides and festivities begin at the Lawrence Rotary Arboretum, 27th and Wakarusa streets.

- Five rides to choose from (or skip the group and ride anytime)
- FREE Helmets with complementary fittings
- Brightly Colored Ride Shirts (while supplies last)

In the event of rain, the Community Ride will be held Sunday, July 17. https://communitybikeride.com

Douglas County Fair July 23-30

Douglas County Fairgrounds, 2110 Harper St. The Douglas County Fair is free. Events may involve charges. See the 2022 Fair Book for events. Scroll to Page 4 for full day-by-day schedule. https://dgcountyfair.com/pressy/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/2022-fair-book-3.pdf

Remembering Glenn Kappelman: A Life of Service

Friday, July 29, 7-7:45 p.m.

Watkins Museum of History, 1047 Massachusetts St.

A Final Fridays talk about Glenn Kappelman, a WWII veteran known for the photos he secretly took during the war, and for his support of the Lawrence Fair Housing Ordinance of 1967 and a other social service agencies in Douglas County. We'll also screen a short selection from the documentary *Through My Sights: A Gunner's View of World War II*, about Mr. Kappelman's war service. Light refreshments will be available.

2022 Vinland Fair

Aug. 4-6.

1736 N 700 Road, Baldwin City

The Vinland Fair began life in the late 1800s with the Vinland Grange, an organization for local farmers. The first fair was held in 1874 and has been held every summer since 1908. The Vinland Fair Association Fairground Exhibit Building was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2004.

Daily schedule of events online: https://vinlandfair.com/fair-schedule/

Civil War on the Border Aug. 18-21

Watkins Museum of History, 1047 Massachusetts St.

Douglas County's largest annual commemoration of its heritage returns! The 27th annual Civil War on the Border examines natural and cultural history. This four-day festival will include annual favorites like bus and walking tours of local sites and a memorial service for the victims of Quantrill's Raid. We'll also have talks with

representatives from Haskell Indian Nations University on Native American history and other topics. Check this page for details: https://www.htt

8th Annual DEFEND LAWRENCE! 5K & 1-mile fun run

Sunday, Aug. 21, 5:05 a.m.

Ad Astra Running store, 734 Massachusetts St. A free predawn, fun run/walk held on the anniversary of Quantrill's raid on Lawrence, Intended for runners and non-runners alike, the event celebrates civic pride and the grit of Lawrencians past and present. Defenders assemble at 4:50 a.m. in front of Ad Astra Running, 734 Mass. The run/walk starts at 5:05 a.m. sharp— the time some accounts say Quantrill launched his attack in 1863. Raiders found Lawrence asleep that morning, but NEVER AGAIN! See Ad Astra Running's Facebook page to find participation waivers and more details. The store is not open during the event. Public Port-A-Potties are present in most downtown parking lots.



Photo courtesy of RunLawrence

In the Long Run Department

RunLawrence members, ages 51 to 73, who ran the 10K route in the June 4 Hospital Hill half-marathon (10K and 5K) in Kansas City, Mo., included Endacotter, **Gene Wee**. Pictured from left are: Dick Baldwin, **Gene**, Kristen Wiens, John Frydman, and Scott Hedrick. Of the five pictured, four placed first in their age divisions; John placed third in his age division.

KU Alzheimer's researchers seeking people ages 65-80 for study of exercise and brain health

KU 's Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (KU ADRC), 4350 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Fairway, is seeking people ages 65-80 to participate in a study of what mix of physical activity could lead to better aging and brain health.

Funded by the National Institutes of Health, the study is called Combined Exercise Trial (COMET). It will compare the effects of aerobic activity, resistance training and a combination of both on cognition in older adults.

Much research points to the benefits of exercise, including that physical activity is good for the brain and that it can help slow or prevent the aging process. One of the goals of COMET is to learn if a specific type or combination of exercise is superior in benefitting older adults' brain health. Here's a link with more about the study: https://www.kumc.edu/about/news/news-archive/comet.html.

In Memoriam

Robert B. Sanders, Dec. 9, 1938-June 17, 2022, KU associate vice chancellor emeritus and professor emeritus in molecular biosciences, died in Sanford, N.C. Services are pending. He came to KU in 1966 to teach biochemistry. He served as associate dean of Research, Graduate Studies and Public Services (now the Office of Research and Graduate Studies) from 1987 to 1996 and as associate vice chancellor from 1989 to 1996. He retired in 2004. He is survived by his widow, Gladys; their children, Sylvia and William Sanders; and a granddaughter, Ivy.

Volunteers needed to chair Endacott programs

Endacott Society is seeking volunteers to chair six programs:
Documentaries and Special Event Films,
Lied Center Liaison, Music
Appreciation, Opera Studies, Oral
History Project, and Public Affairs
Forum.

In June, **Louise and Alan Hanson** announced they needed to step away from chairing the Public Affairs Forum. They had served since summer 2021,

2022-2023 Campus Dates

Fall 2022

Monday, Aug. 22, First day of classes Monday, Sept. 5, Labor Day, no classes Oct. 8-11 Fall Break Nov. 23-27 Thanksgiving break Thursday, Dec. 8, last day of classes Dec. 12-16 Finals

Spring 2023

Monday, Jan. 16, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Tuesday, Jan. 17, First day of spring classes March 13-17, Spring Break Thursday, May 4, last day of spring classes May 8-12, Finals Sunday, May 14, Commencement (Projected) https://registrar.ku.edu/lawrence-academic-calendars

offering discussions addressing questions about refugees, homelessness, gun control, and school curriculum content.

Sandra Wiechert has also asked to step away from chairing the oral history project, which she has coordinated for many years. With covid restrictions, no attempts have been made to schedule interviewing new retirees for the project. Members interested in volunteering to chair a program should contact President MaryKay Mahoney mahoneym@merrimack.edu.

SEPTEMBER Newsletter

Send news items for the **September newsletter** by **Saturday, Aug. 20**, to mjdunlap@ku.edu

Members may subscribe to the Endacott e-mail list by sending a request to endacottsociety@gmail .com

DUES & GIFTS

To be a member of the Endacott Society, one must have retired from KU or any accredited institution of higher learning. Sign up and remit dues as a member of the KU Alumni Association, designating "Endacott Society membership." (Call 785-864-4760, asking for Records, or go online at www.kualumni.org/join; scroll to Membership Options for Every Jayhawk, click on Endacott Society, and select an option.) Dues for retirees are \$30 a year. Spouses or partners can be added at no additional cost. Contributions or memorial gifts in honor of current or deceased persons should be paid directly to the Endacott Society in care of the Adams Alumni Center, 1266 Oread Ave., Lawrence KS 66045-3169. These funds will be deposited in the Expressions of Appreciation Fund and can, if so designated, be used to support the Endacott Society's various activities.