



Endacott SOCIETY

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STAY TUNED

KUAA working with partners to accommodate Endacott activities

No decisions were made Dec. 16 when Endacott Society’s executive committee met with KU Alumni Association President Heath Peterson and three more alumni leaders to discuss plans to resume meetings in the Adams Alumni Center.

The meeting was a fact-gathering session. Both groups reviewed their hopes and needs. A second meeting will be scheduled soon.

The alumni center expects to reopen in late February.

Kristi Laclé, KUAA senior vice president of operations and programs, explained that her Facilities and Event Services Team would take the information provided by the Endacott Society about its monthly schedule of activities, including catering needs, and “work with you and our partners on a solution to accommodate your needs while still allowing us flexibility to retain and capture new business revenue.”

New business revenue is necessary to maintain and keep current the new technological features in addition to providing general maintenance services for the adjoining buildings, which operate as a single unit.

President-elect G. Paul Willhite dies

Glenn Paul Willhite, 85, died Dec. 14 at Lawrence Memorial Hospital. Memorial services were Dec. 22. He had retired in 2019 as Distinguished Professor of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering after 50 years of teaching and research. He was appointed President-Elect in June 2022 and had attended Endacott meetings earlier in December. A partial obituary is on Page 6. His full obituary is online at warrenmcelwain.com

The newly constructed Welcome Center and the renovated Adams Alumni Center are regarded as one unit known as the Jayhawk Welcome Center Complex. The complex is owned and operated by the Alumni Association.

KU Admissions leases the welcome center. The Endacott Society and all other groups — alumni as well as campus and non-campus groups — will schedule meetings and events in the complex. Room charges will be available soon.

Laclé noted that, once the Adams building has reopened, Endacott’s executive committee will need to meet frequently with the Facilities and Events Services Team regarding scheduling. Peterson noted scheduling conflicts may arise, and KUAA will work to find solutions when necessary.

Jayhawk Community Partners was mentioned as an alumni association campus partner. This

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Jan. 14 basketball game group ticket rate to be announced by email

We don’t yet have a ticket price range for a limited block of seats for the KU-Iowa State game at 3 p.m. Jan. 14 in Allen Fieldhouse. As part of the 125 Years of Men’s Basketball reunion celebration during the game, KU Athletics’ K-Club has offered to recognize the Endacott Society as a legacy of

the 1923 champion basketball team’s captain, Paul Endacott.

The K-Club team proposed making a limited number of tickets available at a group rate to allow members to sit together. Members with season tickets would be seated in their assigned seats.

We will notify members by email as soon as we know the group rate. *Please try to reply promptly if you want to buy a ticket.*

Single ticket pricing varies for each game and may fluctuate daily. The Endacott Society requested a ticket price range for a potential group rate. Andrea Geubelle Norris, K-Club director, was hopeful that Athletics Ticket Sales would know the potential price range for a group rate before Jan. 1.

All Endacott members attending the Jan. 14 game would be guests of K-Club pregame hospitality in the DeBruce Center.

Endacott turning 40

The Endacott Society will be 40 years old in March 2023.

The organization adopted a constitution and elected its first officers on March 16, 1983. At that meeting in the Burge Union, members voted to call it the KU Retirees' Club.

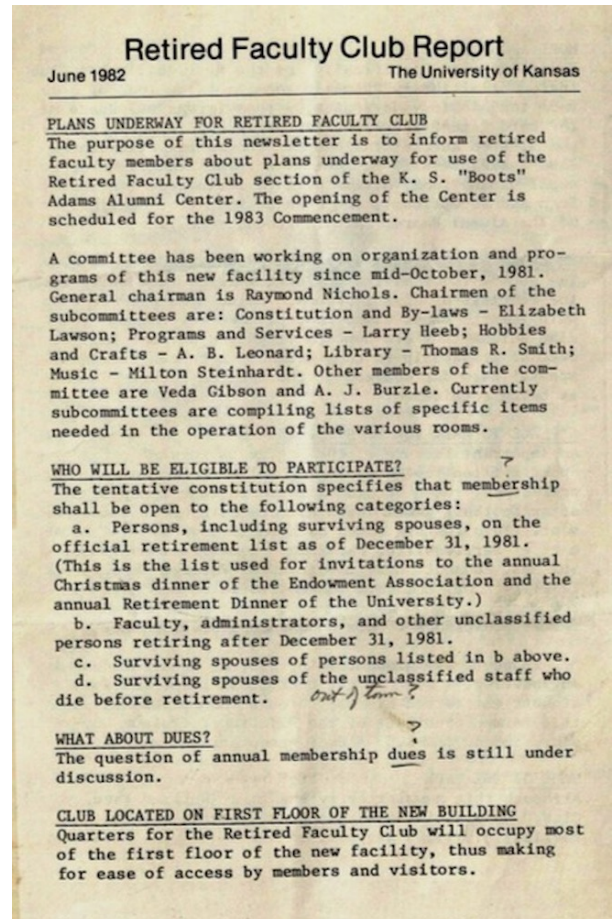
About 15 years later, the membership elected to rename the organization the Endacott Society. The records from the years 1995 to 2000 were packed away in preparation for the renovation work to the alumni center. We hope to pinpoint the renaming date soon.

Endacott, of course, was the name of the benefactor, Paul Endacott, the 1923 KU engineering graduate, KU's first Honors Scholar and an outstanding basketball

player who became president of Phillips Petroleum Co. in Bartlesville, Okla. He was a loyal, lifelong member of the KU Alumni Association, serving as national president in 1939.

University Archives has notebooks of Endacott's correspondence with KU officials and the retirees' club officers. One notebook includes an exchange of letters with the club's first president, Raymond Nichols, chancellor emeritus. Those notebooks were the source of what may be the organization's first newsletter (at right) announcing the plans for a retired faculty club.

The pencil marks were probably made by Endacott.



Above: In June 1982, plans were in motion to establish what later became the Endacott Society.

Dole Institute's 2022 Post Election conference videos online

The Dole Institute of Politics records its events and posts the videos online.

During the first week of December, the institute conducted a three-day post-election conference with Bill Lacy, director emeritus, as host. If you couldn't attend, here is a link to general information about each day's events. <https://doleinstitute.org/diop-events/post-election-conferences/>

When you click on each event, you will see a list of panelists for that day. Scroll down to find the video that day's program.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to chair the **Oral History Project** and the **Public Affairs Forum**.

If you are interested, please contact MaryKay Mahoney at mahoneym@merrimack.edu

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office, directed by David Hayob, was established in 2020 and helps bring revenue to KU through corporate partnerships and sponsorships. KUAA and KU Athletics are among the affiliates working with the new office.

Jayhawk Community Partners also has a Jayhawk Hospitality function for booking and planning private events on the university's campuses and affiliated locations — such as the Jayhawk Welcome Center Complex.

Other alumni leaders attending the meeting were Annie Miller, assistant director of legacy relations and event services, and Dwight Parman, chief financial officer and executive vice president. The Endacott Society was represented by MaryKay Mahoney, president; Omofolabo Ajayi-Soyinka, past president; Jo Cink, past president, and Cal Cink; David Bushouse, secretary; Pam Houston, treasurer; David Mannering, web administrator and past president; and Mary Jane Dunlap, newsletter editor.

The Facilities and Event Services Team includes Laclé, Miller, and Ben Sheply, director of the Adams Alumni Center.

JANUARY ACTIVITIES

NOTE: No programs scheduled in January for:
Arts & Sciences Lecture
Evening Lecture and Potluck
Movement Workshop (Tai Chi)

10 O’CLOCK SCHOLARS -Hybrid (Wednesday Coffee Hour)

MaryKay Mahoney mahoneym@merrimack.edu

All January meetings will be in the Kansas Memorial Union, but room assignments vary.
Wednesday, **Jan. 4, 10 a.m.**, Malott Room, Level 6
Wednesday, **Jan. 11, 10 a.m.**, Centennial Room, Level 5
Wednesday, **Jan. 18, 10 a.m.**, Malott Room, Level 6
Wednesday, **Jan. 25, 10 a.m.**, Malott Room, Level 6

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL- Hybrid

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

Thursday, **Jan. 19, 1:30 p.m.**, Pine Room
Kansas Memorial Union

“Journey to the Arctic”

Richard DeGeorge will take us on “A Journey to the Arctic: Churchill, The Polar Bear Capital of the World.”

CINEMA STUDIES

Nora Clark nora.clark@washburn.edu

J. Tom Adams papawmik2004@yahoo.com

All films scheduled for January and February 2023 will be viewed and discussed in the Lawrence Public Library. Coffee and snacks will be provided. You may bring your own snacks or drinks.
— J. Tom Adams

DOCUMENTARY

Tuesday, **Jan. 24, 1:30-4 p.m.**

Lawrence Public Library, Lower Level Room A
Winged Migration

This documentary follows the migratory patterns of several species of birds over a three-year period. Beginning with spring in France and the migration to the Arctic, the filming takes place over seven continents. These birds fly several hundreds of miles toward the equator in autumn and return in the spring, always on the same route. Some species, like the arctic tern,



even fly from pole to pole. Directed by Jacques Perrin and co-directors Jacques Cluzaud and Michel Debats, this film won five awards and 16 nominations, including an Oscar nomination for Best Documentary Feature. (2001, 1 hour 29 minutes)

DOMESTIC FILM

Tuesday, **Jan. 10, 1:30-4 p.m.**

Lawrence Public Library, Lower Level, Room C
Little Big Man

The film begins as Jack Crabb, 121 years old, recounts his life to an oral historian: being captured at age 10 and raised by the Cheyenne, returning to live with white people, becoming a gunslinger, marrying a Cheyenne woman, becoming a scout for Gen. Custer and witnessing the Battle of Little Bighorn and many other interesting and tragic life stages.



Based on the novel by Thomas Berger and screenplay by Calder Willingham, this film was directed by Arthur Penn and won four awards and 10 nominations including an Oscar nomination for Best Actor in a Supporting Role. (1970, 2 hours 19 minutes)

FOREIGN FILM

Friday, **Jan. 20, 1:30-4 p.m.**

Lawrence Public Library, Lower Level, Room A
Elevator to the Gallows

A self-assured businessman, Julien Tavernier (Maurice Ronet), and his boss’s wife, Florence Carala (Jeanne Moreau), are lovers who plan to murder her husband by faking his suicide. Unfortunately, their plan doesn’t go well. Julien, realizing the rope he used was left behind, returns to the murder site to retrieve it. The well-thought-out plan begins to unravel. Directed by Louis Malle, the film features a now legendary jazz score by Miles Davis. (1958, 1 hour 31 minutes)



“Age is nothing but experience, and some of us are more experienced than others” ~ Andy Rooney

HOURS

Endacott opera enthusiasts attending the Dec. 10 Metropolitan Opera screening at the Southwind Theater of Kevin Puts's adaptation of "The Hours," based on the novel by Michael Cunningham, were: (seated from left) Marjorie Cole, Susan Levine, Hans-Peter and Gloria Schultze; and (standing) Omofolabo Ajayi-Soyinka, Laura Borchert, Anne and Mike Shaw.

Photographer: Paul S. Lim



DRAMA STUDY Zoom

Michael Shaw michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com

Tuesday, **Jan. 3, 1:30-3:30 p.m.**

Tuesday, **Jan. 17, 1:30-3:30 p.m.**

Pioneer Ridge Independent Living
1000 Wakarusa Drive, Community Room

Euripides' *Iphigenia in Aulis*

Members read plays aloud.

GARDEN SEMINAR Hybrid

Cal & Jo Cink ccinkbird75@gmail.com

Kansas Memorial Union, Pine Room, Level 6

Wednesday, **Jan. 11, 9 a.m.**

Wednesday, **Jan. 25, 9 a.m.**

Kansas Memorial Union, Pine Room

Discussion will focus on accessible gardening on Jan. 11 and bonsai gardening on Jan. 25.

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION Zoom

Jim Woelfel, woelfel@ku.edu

Wednesday, **Jan. 11, 1:30 p.m.**

We will discuss the short stories by Charlotte Perkins Gilman in *The Yellow Wallpaper and Other Stories* (Dover Thrift Editions).

LUNCH BUNCH

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

Ron announces locations for lunch meetings each week by email and at the 10 a.m. coffee hour.

Lunch Bunch sessions are now on Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. Longer-range plans will be accessed once we can return to the Alumni Center for meetings. Please email Ron with any lunch suggestions for 2023.

Wednesday, **Jan. 4, 11:45 a.m.**

Wednesday, **Jan. 11, 11:45 a.m.**

Wednesday, **Jan. 18, 11:45 a.m.**

Wednesday, **Jan. 25, 11:45 a.m.**

OLD TIME RADIO Zoom

John Nicholson wryterjccc@gmail.com

Jan. 30, **Monday, 1:30-3:30 p.m.**

We rock the New Year with Billboard's Top Five best sellers of 1962. Can you guess the songs? What was the most popular song of the year? Then, Alan Ladd returns in an episode of *Box 13* from 1948. We conclude our first 2023 meeting with one of the all-time great detectives, Chester Riley, in a 1948 episode of *The Life of Riley*. The waiting room opens at 1:15 pm.. If this would be your first time attending, please consider joining us.

SINGING FOR FUN

Jim Woelfel, woelfel@ku.edu

Location to be announced

Friday, **Jan. 27, 10 a.m.**

Join in singing tunes for the fun of it, on key or off. The point is to enjoy ourselves.

TECHNOLOGY STUDIES Hybrid (AKA Computer & Technology Studies)

David Mannering dmannering@yahoo.com

Kansas Memorial Union, Malott Room, Level 6

Wednesday, **Jan. 4, 9-9:50 a.m.**

A.I. Playground

We will try out some online A.I. systems.

Wednesday, **Jan. 18, 9-9:50 a.m.**

Chromebooks

Presentation by Ron Schorr.

ASSORTED EVENTS COMING TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

City of Lawrence services

Jan. 1-2, Sunday and Monday

Administrative offices for the City and for Parks & Recreation are closed both days. No public transit on Jan. 1; city parking meters free both days.

The following city recreation facilities are open on Monday, Jan. 2, weather permitting:

Community Building, 115 W. 11th St.
(785-832-7920)

East Lawrence Recreation Center, 1245 E. 15th St.
(785-832-7950)

Holcom Park Recreation Center, 2700 W. 27th St.
(785-832-7940)

Sports Pavilion Lawrence, 100 Rock Chalk Lane
(785-330-7355)

Indoor Aquatic Center, 4706 Overland Drive
(785-832-7946)

Eagle Bend Golf Course and Learning Center
1250 E. 902 Road, (785-748-0600)

Lawrence Arts Center

Closed through Monday, Jan. 2

Art & Craft Supply Swap!

Jan. 7, Saturday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont St.
Free

Bring all those art supplies you don't need and swap with other crafters for new ones. Supplies don't have to be new, but only arts and crafts-related items will be accepted: yarn, decorative paper, fabric scraps, paints, beads, etc! Questions? Ask Ruby: rmackinnonlove@lplks.org

John Ford in Film

Jan. 11-March 1, Wednesdays 6:30-9 p.m.

Carnegie Building, 200 W. 9th St.
Registration Code 127449: Fee \$28
Lawrence Parks & Recreation Lifelong Recreation sponsors an ongoing film study class exploring John Ford's distinctive style, casting favorites, and continuing influence on American film. Class includes viewing and discussions with Kellee Pratt, cinephile, classic film blogger and ambassador to the Turner Classic Movies (TCM) Festival.

“APRIL 4TH, 1968: Dare to Dream!”

Jan. 14, Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

Lied Center of Kansas

Ticket required: \$56-\$60

In partnership with the Lied Center of Kansas, Life Restoration Ministries presents “April 4th, 1968: Dare to Dream,” written and directed by local playwright Rita Rials. The production includes music essential to the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the civil rights movement.

Fencing — Modern Olympic Sport

Jan. 19-March 9, Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.

Sports Pavilion Lawrence, 200 Rock Chalk Way
Lawrence Parks & Recreation Lifelong Recreation
Registration Code: 127105 Fee: \$51

Beginners learn the basics, and experienced fencers in foil, epee and saber will emphasize technique, tactics, strategy, and psychology. Get some good exercise and have fun learning this unique sport. Basic equipment provided. John Dillard, instructor.

So, You Have an Aging Parent: 101

Jan. 23, Monday, 6-8 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont St.

\$5 suggested donation at the door, pizza dinner provided

The presentation covers common concerns of adult children, provides definitions of concepts which may be new to adult children, and offers follow-up resources. Questions? Email Janet at jikenberry@yoursrc.org

Gray Anatomy: Veins and Wound Healing
Zoom

Jan. 25, Wednesday, 4-5 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library sponsor

Free. Registration required to receive Zoom link. Learn about what to expect concerning veins and wound healing as you age from a Lawrence Memorial Hospital Wound Team medical expert. Registration details online: <https://lawrence.bibliocommons.com/events/636bfe435eb83c360049fe54>

Hablemos Spanish Conversation Table

Jan. 26, Thursday, 6-7 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont St., Room C
Free

All who wish to practice their Spanish are welcome to join lively discussions led by graduate students from KU's Department of Spanish & Portuguese. Questions? ¿Tienes preguntas? Email Terese at twinters@lplks.org

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Meet KU's Authors: Jennifer Raff & *Origin*

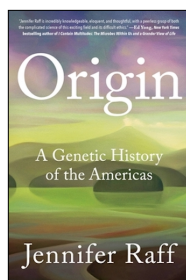
Jan. 26, Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library, 707

Vermont St., Auditorium

Free.

Anthropologist and geneticist Jennifer Raff will talk about her new book, *Origin: A Genetic History of the Americas*. Using new genome evidence, Raff tells the story of the first peoples in the Americas, how and why they migrated and dispersed, and how they lived. This speaker series, a partnership between the Hall Center for the Humanities and Lawrence Public Library, provides an opportunity to hear KU researchers talk informally about their current books or articles.



Field Trip: Haskell Cultural Center and Museum

Jan. 27, Friday, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Haskell Cultural Center and Museum, 2411 Barker Ave.

The Lawrence Public Library Bootcamp plans a free guided tour of the Haskell Cultural Center and Museum. The tour is limited to 30 people.

Registration details are online <https://lawrence.bibliocommons.com/events/>

SAVE the DATES IN FEBRUARY

Tech Club: Take-home Audio/Visual

Digitization Tools

Feb. 2, Thursday, 4-5 p.m. Zoom only

Lawrence Public Library

Free. Registration required for Zoom link

Learn how to use and borrow the library's SOUND+VISION Studio collection of audio-visual tools to preserve and Digitize VHS and audio cassettes, scan your old film slides, record audio and video — and more. Registration details online <https://lawrence.bibliocommons.com/events/>

Souper Bowl

Feb. 4, Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire St.

Cost: \$10-\$30

<https://lawrenceartscenter.org/event/souper-bowl/>

FEBRUARY NEWS deadline

Please submit news and photos for the February 2023 newsletter no later than Jan. 20 to Mary Jane Dunlap. mjdunlap@ku.edu

Spring 2023 Osher Institute offers 70 courses; day and overnight trips

KU's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute spring semester runs Jan. 10 to May 3.

Seventy courses are listed, 30 of which are new, with a mix of in-person, online only, or a hybrid of online and in-person. Full details are in the online catalog [OsherCatalog-Spring2023FINAL.pdf?](#)

Day trips are scheduled Feb. 17 and March 7 to Kansas City, March 31 to Osawatomie, and April 14 to Abilene.

Two overnight trips are offered.

The first, to Wichita on March 23-24, has stops at the Mid-America All-Indian Museum, home to Blackbear Bosin's largest public collection; the Museum of World Treasures; Botanica The Wichita Gardens (lunch and walking tour); the Wichita Art Museum; the Frank Lloyd Wright Allen House; and the Kansas Aviation Museum, as well as a bus tour of 100 urban-art murals.

The second overnighter will be to Omaha April 27-28. After lunch at Gorat's, a favorite of

Warren Buffett, take a garden tram tour at the Omaha Botanical Center; also included are visits to Joslyn Castle, built in 1903 and on the National Register of Historic Places, and to St. Cecilia Cathedral to view the 16th century stained-glass windows. Arbor Day begins at the Henry Doorly Zoo for several tour options and free time followed by a tour of Durham Museum in Union Station.

Four Endacott members are teaching courses this term: **Thomas Fox Averill** on writers from prairie states; **Jim Peters**, courses on Eleanor Roosevelt and Harry Truman; **Diana Carlin** on women's struggles for political equality; and **Valentino "Val" Stella** on "How does this pill know where to find the place that hurts?" *Dennis the Menace* (understanding how medications work). KU retirees teaching this spring include Bill Keel on German settlements in Kansas and Missouri and John Tibbetts on Stargazing 2 (celebrity interviews).

IN MEMORIAM

We have included members of Endacott and retirees and their spouses in the KU community. The names in **boldface** are recent members.

JAMES BUDDE, 1937-2022, died Nov. 28. His services were held Dec. 2 at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Lawrence. He had worked at KU for 35 years, retiring in 2005 as director of the Research and Training Center on Independent Living, which he had founded in 1980. He was a founder of Independence, Inc. and president and longtime board member of Cottonwood Inc., and advocated tirelessly throughout his life for those with physical and mental disabilities. Before starting college, he served in the U.S. Army 73rd Tank Battalion in Korea. In 1964, he and Jane Samson of Omaha were married. He moved his family to Lawrence in 1970 to take a job at KU, where he earned his Ed.D. in 1976. In addition to his wife, Jane, he is survived by his brother Gary; son Chip and daughter-in-law Sueanna; daughter Anne Broz and son-in-law Jon; and three grandchildren.

SHARON KAY DRULLINGER, 1944-2022, died unexpectedly on Nov. 16 at the Overland Park Regional Medical Center. Her son, Steve, was by her side. She had requested no formal ceremony and that her remains be buried with her beloved pets in a private ceremony. She had worked in computer operations at KU from 1989 until retiring in June 2006. Many students who had worked with her regarded her as a "second mom." In 2016 she moved to Overland Park. She was born April 1, 1944, in Omaha, Neb., and was adopted in 1953 by Ralph and Stella (Brandt) Drullinger of Palisade, Neb. Survivors include her only son, Steven, and four nieces. Steve may be contacted at www.sharonkayremembrance@gmail. A complete obituary is available on Legacy.com.

DENNIS RAY DUNAVIN, 1948-2022 of Lawrence died Nov. 21 at Stormont Vail Health in Topeka. A graveside inurnment will be held March 25, 2023, at Eudora Cemetery. He was retired from KU where he was employed as a custodian. His survivors include his son, Dennis R. Dunavin Jr. (Sheri), Amarillo, Texas; brothers Dan Dunavin (Peggy), Winter Haven, Fla., and Terry Dunavin (Annie), Harris, Mo.; sister Paula Guffey (O'Gene Johnson), Perry, Kan., and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

LETA JEAN EHRMAN, 1927-2022, died Nov. 14 at Kent Ridge Senior Living in Kent, Ohio, where she had moved to be near her son Radd and daughter-in-law Cynthia in 2017. Her services were held Nov. 21 in Lawrence. She retired in 1983 as administrative assistant to the director of the KU Memorial Union. She and Richard L. Ehrman were married in 1949 in Burlington, Kan. He died in 1989. After college, she worked as secretary at the Mosser-Wolf film company, Centron, in Lawrence and later as secretary to the publisher of the Fremont (Neb.) Guide and Tribune. Her surviving family includes three children: Radd K. Ehrman (Cynthia), Kent, Ohio; Bart D. Ehrman (Sarah Beckwith), Durham, N.C.; Kerry L. Yearwood (Kevin), Redding, Calif.; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

LOUISE ELBERTA FARRELL, 1927-2022, of Lawrence, died Dec. 7. No public services were held. Louise was a secretary at KU for 32 years. On July 7, 1947, she and Forrest Lee Farrell were married in Kansas City, Mo. He died in 1992.

JOHN W. HADL, 1940-2022, died Nov. 30 at Pioneer Ridge Retirement Community. His memorial service was held Dec. 16 at the Lied Center of Kansas. After graduating from KU, where he played football, he went on to play for several NFL teams, including the San Diego Chargers for 16 years. After his NFL career, he coached professional and college teams. He returned to KU to coach and then work at the Kansas Athletics Williams Education Fund until he retired after 30 years. His survivors include his wife, Diana Hadl; son, John W. Hadl II; daughter, Jacqueline Julie Hadl-Fromm; three grandchildren; and sister Julie Carole Hadl.

JACK D. KEIM, 1940-2022, died Nov. 18. Services were held Dec. 10 at Trinity Episcopal Church. He worked in KU's Paleontological Institute for 38 years, until his retirement in 2003. During the 1960s, Jack served in the Army Reserves as a cook. He loved being outside in his yard; therefore, it is fitting that, even with painful knees, he died in his yard while raking leaves. He and Mary Ellen (Chris) Christy were married in 1964. They later divorced. In 1981, he and Karen Schmid were married. Survivors include his wife, Karen; sisters-in-law Nancy (Jerry) Hanson, Lawrence, Elaine Schweitzer, Hopkins, Minn., and Christie (Tony)

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Wedeking, Topeka; son Marc (Jessica), Windsor, Colo., and daughter Jaquel (Michael), Van Vleck, Topeka; stepson Scott Billings, Topeka, and stepdaughter Shelley Bond of Kansas City; two granddaughters, three step-granddaughters and 10 stepgreat grandchildren

THOMAS “TODD” SEYMOUR, 95, of Lawrence died peacefully at home on Dec. 2. As he requested, no funeral or memorial service will be held. He retired in 1992 after serving as president of KU Endowment for 18 years. He began working at Endowment in 1959. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jeannot, and is survived by his daughter Bunny, grandson Pieter Bierlaagh, and son-in-law Tom Bierlaagh.

GLEN PAUL WILLHITE, 1937-2022, died Dec. 15 at LMH Health. Memorial services were held Dec. 22, at Central United Methodist Church in Lawrence. He was a Distinguished Professor of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering when he retired from KU in 2019 after 50 years of teaching

and research. He was author of two textbooks and was a founding co-chair of the Tertiary Oil Recovery Project. As president-elect of Endacott Society, he would have begun his term as president in July. He and Jewell Fox were married in 1959 in West Des Moines, Iowa. She survives at home. Other survivors include his children, Elizabeth (Phil) Wilhelm, Mark (Shanna) Willhite, Ben Willhite, Sara (Robert) Lasher, Rachel Lechtenberg; brother Brian (Janis) Willhite; sister Karen (Dick) Stahlhut; 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He worked for Continental Oil Co. in Ponca City, Okla., from 1962 to 1969. He received the Boy Scouts’ Silver Beaver Award for his scoutmaster work. His professional honors included induction into the National Academy of Engineering; an Honorary Member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers; induction to Iowa State University Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering Alumni Hall of Fame, and many others. He volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and AARP Tax Aide services. He served with the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

What community resources should Endacott Society include on its website?

President MaryKay Mahoney is gathering community resources useful to retirees to be included on Endacott Society’s website.

Here is what has been suggested:

AARP Tax-Aide

https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/locations.html

Lawrence Public Library Retirement Boot Camp

<https://lplks.org/retirement/>

Lawrence Parks & Recreation Lifelong Recreation

<https://lawrenceks.org/lprd/lifelongrecreation/>

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at KU

<https://lpe.ku.edu/osher-home>

Senior Resource Center for Douglas County

<https://yoursrc.org>

United Way of Douglas County Volunteer Opportunities:

<https://www.volunteerdouglascounty.org/welcome-new-volunteers/>

Volunteer.KU.Edu

<https://volunteer.ku.edu>

Please send your recommendations or suggestions to mahoneym@merrimack.edu

“Teachers who have plugged away at their jobs for 20, 30, and 40 years are heroes. I suspect they know in their hearts they’ve done a good thing, too, and are more satisfied with themselves than most people are. Most of us end up with no more than five or six people who remember us. Teachers have thousands of people who remember them for the rest of their lives.” ~ Andy Rooney

Carom billiards club: retirement venture

Stanley Lombardo may be best known in the KU community as an acclaimed translator of Greek and Latin classics. Many also know him and his wife, Judy Roitman, as Zen Masters. They taught meditation techniques for Endacotters in 2019.

Locally, few may know Lombardo as a skilled player and teacher of three-cushion, or carom, billiards.

Lombardo who has played pool or billiards since his college days, began playing the three-cushion version about 15 years ago.

“I love the game,” Lombardo said. “It is a creative and difficult game (the best players in the world miss a third of their shots), and it is rewarding in proportion to its difficulty.”

Three-cushion billiards is played with only three balls (two cue balls — one white, one yellow — and a red object ball). The table has no pockets and is 10 feet long, as compared to an 8- or 9-foot pool table. The table slate is heated to allow the balls to roll better.

“The objective is to have your cue-ball hit both of the other balls, contacting three or more cushions before it hits the second of the two object balls,” Lombardo explained.

Until he bought his own carom billiard table a few years ago, Lombardo would drive to Olathe to practice for national tournaments because no Lawrence establishments had carom billiard tables. After retiring from teaching in 2014, he and two other carom billiards players in Lawrence — John Hampton and James Regan — talked about expanding the community of carom billiard players in Lawrence and holding tournaments and exhibition games here.

They formed a private club, rented a space large enough for two tables — one for standard billiards and the other for carom billiards, installed an expresso coffee bar, and in 2018 opened The Billiards Studio at 745 New Hampshire St.

By 2020, the studio club had almost a dozen members and had added a table for snooker, which is another version of pocket pool.

The founding members regard themselves as students of billiards, thus the term “studio.”

“We take billiards seriously,” Lombardo said. “It’s an art.”

Covid changed everything. Active membership dropped to six players. The club owners removed



Photo courtesy of The Billiards Studio

Visitors watch John Hampton line up a three-cushion shot in a carom billiard game.

the pool and snooker tables and downsized to one room for the carom billiards table.

This past October, the club invited Dick Jaspers, five-time three-cushion billiards world champion from the Netherlands, for a clinic and an exhibition game. Lombardo had taken lessons from Jaspers in Amsterdam a few years ago. The free exhibition attracted about 70 fans to watch. Players from the Kansas City area and beyond, including one from Atlanta, participated. Lawrence was one of only three U.S. cities where Jaspers gave public exhibition games or clinics.

The plan to recruit new studio members during that exhibition got lost in the momentum and the crunch of details, one of which was arranging to move Lombardo’s 4,000-pound home table into the exhibition space.

The founding members hope to recruit about six more members in 2023 to keep The Billiards Studio viable. New members are offered three free lessons by Lombardo.

“Really good pool players can pick up three-cushion billiards pretty quickly,” Lombardo said.

An example, albeit fictional, might be a scene near the end of the 1961 film *The Hustler*. Fast Eddie (Paul Newman) is set to play a high-stakes game in a private home when his wealthy opponent reveals his table is for three-cushion billiards. Fast Eddie loses just as he is catching on to the game. Determined to regain his losses, he wins the second game. For the record: Lombardo regards the film as more about the characters than about billiards.

Anyone interested in carom billiards may contact Lombardo 785-760-4228, Hampton at 785-550-1395 or Regan at 785-865-7586 or visit the Facebook page: facebook.com/thebilliardsstudio

Gift of art

Endacott membership is full of talent and many with creative gifts. Artist **Celia Smith** (top) was among those offering their work during the two-day Lawrence Art Guild's Annual Holiday Art Fair in the Cider Gallery last month. **Helen Tilley Martin** (below, center) was at the Farmers' Market Holiday Fair held in the Douglas County Fairgrounds Open Pavilion on a chilly, misty Dec. 10. She is pictured with Georgann Eglinski and Ron Schorr.



Helen often brings her pottery to the Farmers' Market downtown. Her pieces are handmade on a potter's wheel, high-fired and often marked with a distinctive impression of wheat.



Celia, who studied art in her native Spain, has participated in juried shows since the mid-1960s. Her painting themes include natural history, human nature, myths, ballads, and historical moments such as her "K.U. Stories" and "Jefferson's Dream" series. Celia and her husband, Robert, have been active in the Endacott Society for several years.

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