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# September 2023

What's new:

### **Library**

Jim Woelfel and Folabo Ajayi have now placed all the books we are keeping in our new bookshelves. We are also shelving our scrapbooks which go all the way back to 1984. We still have two boxes of old KU catalogs and yearbooks that we intend to donate to the Spencer Library.



Photo courtesy of Dave Mannering

#### 40th Anniversary

Planning continues for the Endacott Society 40th Anniversary Celebration. The event will be an evening get-together on Thursday, October 12 at 6pm. There may be a few surprises in store for attendees. See more information in the Activities section below.

#### Pot Luck Dinner

On Thursday August 17, the Endacott Society held its first pot luck dinner and lecture since before the pandemic. Linda Mulllens organize a great evening in the Adams Alumni Center Pub and Bruckmiller rooms, and Dave chose an excellent presenter. Sixty-seven attendees devoured our member-provided provisions and Hy-Vee-provided roast beef, coffee, and wine. The guest speaker was Rex Buchanan, Director Emeritus at the Kansas Geological Survey of the University of Kansas. Rex entertained and educated us with slides and stories related to his co-authored book: Petroglyphs of the Kansas Smoky Hills.

# Voices of Experience

Our new Voices of Experience team has begun meeting to discuss how we will advertise and organize our new service for pre-retires and new retirees.

# **Web Site Review Task Force**

The Web Site Review team held their first meeting to make preliminary recommendations for updating our site (endacottsociety.org). The Task Force will continue to meet until every page on the site has been examined. If you have ideas for how the site could be improved, please send them to endacottsociety@gmail.com.

# A.R.O.H.E.

In June the Endacott Society joined the Association of Retiree Organizations in Higher Education, which has about 130 member organizations, several of which are very similar to us. I should say rejoined, because we were members at some point in the early 2000's but apparently did not renew. It is our intention to browse through their resources, participate in their webinars, and network with other organizations like us to share plans and experiences. We will report periodically as we find useful information.

- Dave Mannering

# **September Activities & Events**

# **Armchair Travel (Hybrid)**

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

Thursday, September 14. 2:45 PM @ Lawrence Public Library, Room A.

[Session scheduled later than usual due to room availability]

Subject-- June 2023. Latvian Song and Dance festival and Latvian culture and history. In June 2023 Ron Schorr and Georgann Eglinski were in Riga, Latvia at the beginning of the Latvian Song and Dance festival, which occurs every five years and has upwards of 45,000 participants. The festival will form the basis of a brief (less than an hour) presentation on the history and culture of this Baltic nation.

# **Arts & Sciences Lecture Program**

Kevin Boatright kboatright@ku.edu

No event is scheduled for September.

# **Cinema Studies**

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DOMESTIC MOVIE

Tuesday, September 12th, 2:30 to 5:00pm Lawrence Public Library, ROOM "A" White Nights, (Drama, Music)

After his plane crashes in Siberia, a Russian dancer, who defected to the West, is held prisoner in the Soviet Union. The K.G.B. keeps him under watch and tries to convince him to become a dancer for the Kirov Academy of Ballet again. Determined to escape, he befriends a black American expatriate and his pregnant Russian wife, who agree to help him escape to the American Embassy. Directed by Taylor Hackford and Written by James Goldman, the movie won Oscars for Best Music and Original Song and had 3 wins and 2 nominations. (1985 PG 2h 16m).

#### **FOREIGN MOVIE**

Friday, September 22nd, 1:30 to 4:00pm Lawrence Public Library, ROOM "A"

Hope and Glory, (Comedy, Drama, Romance)

A semi-autobiographical project by John Boorman about a nine-year-old boy called Bill as he grows up in London during the blitz of World War II. For a young boy, this time in history was more of an adventure, a total upheaval of order, restrictions and discipline. Directed and Written by John Boorman, the movie was nominated for 5 Oscars and had 16 wins and 29 nominations. (1987 PG-13 1h 53m).

#### **DOCUMENTARY MOVIE**

Tuesday, September 26th, 1:30 to 4:00pm

Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

**Seasons,** (Documentary, History)

Jacques Perin and Jacques Cluzaud return to the lush green forests, when the ice retreated, and the cyclf seasons was established. SEASONS is the awe-inspiring tale of the lone shared history that binds humankind and nature. Directed by Jacques Perrin and two others and Written by Jacques Cluzaud, this documentary earned 3 nominations. (2015 PG 1h 36m).

All movies are shown on the Lower Level of the Lawrence Public Library. Reminders are mailed a couple of days before each showing. Please note the **Dates, Times and Rooms** as they may change based on availability. We will start promptly at the times indicated. Members are encouraged to bring your family or friends as we have room to accommodate 20 to 25 people. You may also bring snacks and drinks, but coffee, tea and snacks are provided. Attendees might want to bring along a sweater or jacket as the air conditioning is quite efficient.

J Tom Adams

#### **Drama Studies**

Michael Shaw michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com

September 5th and 19th at 1.30pm. @ Pioneer Ridge Community Room.

Drama Studies will be reading **Pygmalion**. Shaw wrote the play in 1912 and some people think that "nothing like so effective and untroubled a comedy was to be written by him again." Join us in September and see if you agree.

# **Games Theory**

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No games are scheduled for September. See you in October.

# **Garden Seminar (Hybrid)**

Cal & Jo Cink ccinkbird76@gmail.com

The Garden Seminar will meet only on the second Wednesday this month at 9:00am.

Sept. 13 - Adams Alumni Center. - Seed Saving from your Garden

Back to the usual two meetings in October.

# **Great Books (Zoom)**

Jim Woelfel woelfel@ku.edu

We'll meet via Zoom on Wednesday, **September 13 at 1:30 pm**. Our reading is Albert Camus's novel *The Fall*. Published in 1956, it was the last of the three novels published during his lifetime. *The Fall* is a confession of a former Paris lawyer who, as Camus says, "has a modern heart, . . , he cannot bear being judged, and therefore he hastens to prosecute himself, but only in order to better judge other people."

# **Lunch Bunch**

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

**Wednesdays, 11:45 AM** Ron will announce a local restaurant each week. Or, weather permitting, he may announce a picnic-style brown bag at the Weinberg Pavilion at the Rotary Arboretum, 5100 W. 27th St. Please contact Ron by email to receive his announcements.

# **Movement Workshop**

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Weather permitting, the Tai Chi group will meet for instruction and practice **every Friday at 9:00 AM** in South Park.

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# Old-Time Radio (Zoom)

John Nicholson wryterjccc@gmail.com

The meeting is scheduled for **September 25th from 1:30 to 3:30** in the afternoon. The waiting room opens at 1:15, with the program beginning at I:30. If this is your first time attending, please consider joining us. No reservations are necessary.

We'll begin with two fifteen-minute programs. The first is, **Do You Know Maine?** about the Witch Trial of 1796. The second program is **You Can't Do Business With Hitler**. Then we'll listen to **Mr. President**, where you'll have an opportunity to guess which President is being portrayed. Finally, we'll listen to an episode of **My Little Margie**.

# **Out-of-Town Travel**

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Dave Marden mardendl@gmail.com

The out-of-town travel group is planning a fall day trip to Atchison to visit two Amelia Earhart museums. We are looking at September 21, 29 or October 6, but need to confirm those dates. We will send details as soon as we can.

# **Potluck Dinner & Lecture**

Linda <u>Mullenslmullens@ku.edu</u>

The next potluck will be in the spring.

# <u>Technology Studies (Hybrid)</u>

Dave Mannering dmannering@yahoo.com

**Wednesday, September 6, 9:00 AM**, Adams Alumni Center *DEF CON* – the annual security (hacking) conference

**Wednesday, September 20, 9:00 AM**, Adams Alumni Center *Drones* – What they are up to these days

#### Wednesday Coffee (Hybrid)

Dave Mannering dmannering@yahoo.com

Wednesday, September 6, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

Wednesday, September 13, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

Wednesday, September 20, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center - Birthday Cake

Wednesday, September 27, 10:00 AM, Senior Resource Center

#### **40th Anniversary Highlights**

Kevin Boatright kboatright@ku.edu

The dinner will be catered at the Alumni Center. Members may bring a guest. RSVP's will be required. All the details/entertainment have not been confirmed prior to this newsletter, but keep your eye pealed for a special notification from either Dave Mannering or Kevin Boatright.

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Rex Buchanan Photo courtesy of Tom Adams

Potlluck attendees



Enjoying dessert at potluck.