



# October 2023

## What's new:

### Voices of Experience

The Endacott Society "Voices of Experience" panel will hold its inaugural discussion event on Thursday, **October 26** at 4:00 PM in the Paul Adam Lounge in the Adams Alumni Center. Faculty and staff (and spouses) are invited to attend. Panel members Gary Minden, Omofolabo Ajayi-Soyinka, Kevin Boatright, MaryKay Mahoney, Richard DeGeorge, and Audrey Kamb-Studdard will talk about how they have handled the challenges of maintaining social contact, meaningful routine, intellectual stimulation and connection to KU during retirement. A Q&A session will follow. Moderated by Endacott Society President David Mannering.

### 40th Anniversary

This special event will be an evening get-together at KUAA on Thursday, October 12 beginning with a 5:30pm complimentary wine social and catered buffet dinner at 6pm. Enjoy musical entertainment and basketball arcade. If you have a 40th Anniversary button, please wear it to the celebration. We will hand out buttons to those that don't have them.

**RSVP deadline is Wed. Oct 4.** Please contact Linda Mullens: [lmullens@ku.edu](mailto:lmullens@ku.edu) or 785-841-0958

(See additional info on page 4)



### Lied Center Performance

Derek Kwan, Director of the KU Lied Center, has once again offered complementary tickets for current Endacott Society members to attend a Lied Center performance. This year he gave us a choice among:

- The Sofia Philharmonic Orchestra
- Lawrence Brownlee, tenor
- The Juilliard String Quartet

A vote was taken at the September 13 Wednesday Coffee, and the Sofia Philharmonic Orchestra was chosen. The performance will be on Monday, February 26, 2024 at 7:30pm. Details on how to request tickets will be provided later.

### TGIT

Each month this academic year the KU Alumni Association and KU Administration are holding TGIT (Thank Goodness It's Thursday) get-togethers to promote networking among faculty, staff, and supporters of the university. These are usually held on the second floor, which has various tables promoting KU-related organizations. Watch for the announcement of the next TGIT, which is scheduled for **November 9th**.

The Endacott Society will be co-sponsoring the TGIT on February 29, and we plan to promote our organization to those who might be nearing retirement. It would be nice if we had a good turnout of our members for that event, so mark your calendars.

### Web Site Review Task Force

Reviewing the [endacottsociety.org](http://endacottsociety.org) web site is an ongoing process, but some changes have already been made on the Home page and elsewhere. See if you can spot them.

## October Activities & Events

### Armchair Travel (Hybrid)

Ron Schorr [rwwschorr@gmail.com](mailto:rwwschorr@gmail.com)

None scheduled for October.

### Arts & Sciences Lecture Program

Kevin Boatright [kboatright@ku.edu](mailto:kboatright@ku.edu)

No event is scheduled for October.

### Cinema Studies

Nora Clark [nora.clark@washburn.edu](mailto:nora.clark@washburn.edu)  
J. Tom Adams [papawmik2004@yahoo.com](mailto:papawmik2004@yahoo.com)

#### DOMESTIC MOVIE

Tuesday, **October 10th, 1:30 to 4:00 pm**  
Lawrence Public Library, ROOM "C"

#### **"Green Book"** (Based on a true story, Comedy, Drama)

Dr. Don Shirley is a world-class African American pianist in need of a driver and protection. Shirley recruits Frank (Tony the Lip) Vallelonga, a tough-talking bouncer from an Italian American neighborhood in the Bronx. Despite their differences, the two men soon develop an unexpected bond while confronting racism and danger in an era of segregation. Directed by Peter Farrelly and written by Nick Vallelonga and Brian Currie this movie won 3 Oscars. (2018, 2hrs and 10 min)

#### FOREIGN MOVIE

Friday, **October 20th, 1:30 to 4:00pm**  
Lawrence Public Library, ROOM "C"

#### **"Murder on the Orient Express"** (Crime, Drama, Mystery)

The Belgian detective Hercule Poirot boards the Orient Express. One of the passengers requests his protection, but Poirot declines. The next day the passenger is found dead in his compartment and Poirot is asked to solve the case. The train is forced to stop due to a snow drift blocking the tracks. This gives him a few hours to figure out the murderer's identity before the local police take over the investigation. During his investigation, Poirot discovers that many of the passengers have some connection. This could be the vital clue to crack the case, but can he do it in time? Directed by Sidney Lumet and Written by Agatha Christie, with screenplay by Paul Dehn. An Oscar went to Ingrid Bergman. (1974, 2hrs 8min)

#### DOCUMENTARY MOVIE

Tuesday, **October 24th, 1:30 to 4:00pm**  
Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

#### **"Birders: The Central Park Effect"** (Documentary)

This movie reveals the extraordinary array of wild birds who grace Manhattan's celebrated patch of green and the equally colorful full of attitude New Yorkers who schedule their lives around the rhythms of migration. Acclaimed author Jonathan Franzen, an idiosyncratic trombone technician, a charming fashion-averse teenager, a bird tour leader who has recorded every sighting she has made since the 1940s are among the film's cast of characters. Featuring spectacular wildlife footage, capturing the changing seasons, this lyrical documentary transports the viewer to a dazzling world that goes all but unnoticed by the 38 million people who visit America's most famous park each year. Directed and Written by Jeffrey Kimball, this film received two nominations. (2012, 1hr 1min)

**PLEASE NOTE:** 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](mailto:michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com)

The Drama group will read William Inge's 1953 Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "Picnic," starting Tuesday, October 3 and concluding Tuesday, October 17. We will also view the film version on the fifth Tuesday in **October, the 31st**. We will again meet in the **Community Room in Pioneer Ridge Independent Living**.

### **Games Theory**

*Steven Leeswlee* [leeswlee@ku.edu](mailto:leeswlee@ku.edu)

Come join us for Games Theory at the **SRC (Senior Resource Center)** near the library on **October 19th** at 1:30 to play Outburst. Outburst is an uproarious game of common knowledge topics. The fun begins when one of two teams is given a familiar topic. Pandemonium reigns when the 60 second timer is turned over and verbal explosions begin. Come play Outburst with us in October.

### **Garden Seminar (Hybrid)**

*Cal & Jo Cink* [ccinkbird76@gmail.com](mailto:ccinkbird76@gmail.com)

The Garden Seminar will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays this month at 9:00am. October 11 - Adams Alumni Center. - **Putting your Garden to Bed; Winter Garden Preparation**. October 25- Adams Alumni Center- **Ten Winter Flowers that Bloom in the Cold**.

### **Great Books (Zoom)**

*Jim Woelfel* [woelfel@ku.edu](mailto:woelfel@ku.edu)

Please contact Jim for program information.

### **Lunch Bunch**

*Ron Schorr* [rwwschorr@gmail.com](mailto: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**

*Haskell* [Springerspringer@ku.edu](mailto:Springerspringer@ku.edu)

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

### **Old-Time Radio (Zoom)**

*John Nicholson* [wryterjccc@gmail.com](mailto:wryterjccc@gmail.com)

The next Old Time Radio listening group meeting will be October 30th (the **FIFTH** Monday). The first program is **Philco Radio Time**, starring Bing Crosby and Boris Karloff. The second program is another **Mysterious Traveler**. Finally, we'll listen to **The Jack Benny Program**, where Halloween is celebrated.

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

**Out-of-Town Travel**

Judy Niebaum [jniebaum@sunflower.com](mailto:jniebaum@sunflower.com)  
Dave Marden [mardendl@gmail.com](mailto:mardendl@gmail.com)

No trips are planned for October.

**Potluck Dinner & Lecture**

Linda [Mullenslmullens@ku.edu](mailto:Mullenslmullens@ku.edu)

The next potluck will be in the spring.

**Technology Studies (Hybrid)**

Dave Mannering [dmannering@yahoo.com](mailto:dmannering@yahoo.com)

Wednesday, October 4, 9:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center  
KU Libraries Makerspace - Tami Albin

Wednesday, October 18, 9:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center  
Uses of RFID Technology – Dave Mannering

**Wednesday Coffee (Hybrid)**

Dave Mannering [dmannering@yahoo.com](mailto:dmannering@yahoo.com)

Wednesday, October 4, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center  
Wednesday, October 11, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center  
Wednesday, October 18, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center – Birthday Cake  
KUAA President Heath Peterson is scheduled to speak  
Wednesday, October 25, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

**40th Anniversary Dinner**

Kevin Boatright [kboatright@ku.edu](mailto:kboatright@ku.edu)

The dinner will be catered at the Alumni Center. Current KUAA Endacott members may bring a guest. RSVP's will be required. Linda Mullens contact information is on page 1. Dress is dinner casual.

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*On September 21 the Endacott out-of-town travel group took in the recently opened Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum at the Atchison airport. (See photos below) Our group of 16 travelers enjoyed a highly interactive tour of the Museum led by a very knowledgeable and enthusiastic young historian. A few intrepid members took a Virtual Reality trip following Amelia's 1932 solo flight (the first woman to do so) across the Atlantic.*

*(Thanks to Tom Adams for arranging a special showing of a National Geographic documentary on Amelia's last flight and the continuing quest to find out what happened in 1937.)*



Photos courtesy of Judy Niebaum and Dave Marden