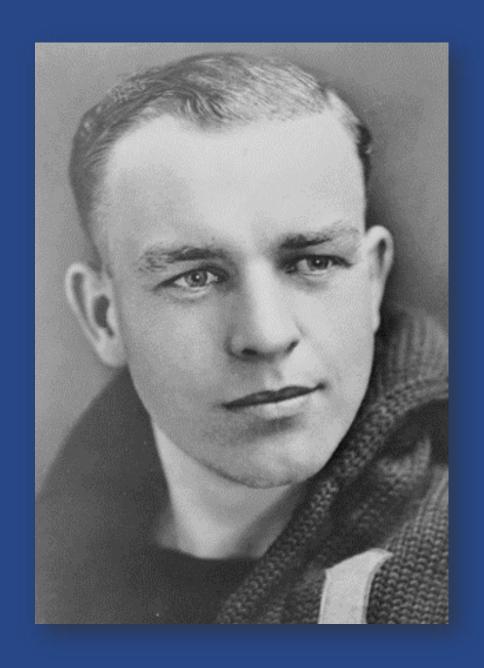
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KU RETIREES / ENDACOTT SOCIETY Selected 1983 -2023 Highlights

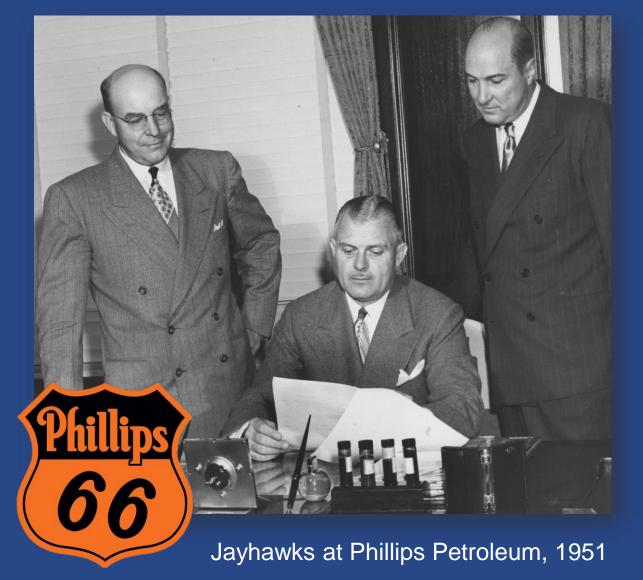




Paul S. Endacott '23

- B.S., Civil Engineering
- 1923 National Player of the Year
- Led KU to two Helms Foundation National Championships
- 44 years at Phillips Petroleum

His generosity established a "KU Retirees Club" in 1983 – later the Endacott Society.



Paul Endacott '23, President

K.S. "Boots" Adams, '21, Chairman and CEO

Stanley Learned, '24, '36, Executive VP

KU gets \$2 million in alumni center gifts honoring Adams

Kansas University's proposed alumni center has been given a \$2 million shot in the arm — and a name.

The \$5 million building, planned for the northeast corner of 13th and Oread streets, will be called the K.S. "Boots" Adams Alumni Center.

Kenneth S. "Boots" Adams Sr., who died in 1975, was a former president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla. He was a 1921 KU graduate.

Although a building fund-drive will continue, two major gifts announced today virtually assure construction of the building, KU Endowment Association officials said.

Adams' family has pledged \$1.3 million for the building, association officials said, and the structure will be named in his honor.

Also, an anonymous donor has pledged an additional \$700,000 to honor Adams.

TENTATIVE plans call for ground breaking late in 1981, alumni officials said this morning. William W. Martin, Topeka, chairman of the planning and building committee, said the building should be dedicated in time for the association's centennial in 1983.

"We are deeply grateful to the Adams family for contributing so significantly to this important facility," said George E. Nettels Jr., Pittsburg, chairman of the center's fund raising campaign.

With the two donations announced to-

day, KU has raised about \$3.6 million to finance the center, Mike Goff, an association spokesman, said.

Plans call for a three-story 32,800 square-foot building to be constructed near the Kansas Union. The land is owned by the Kansas University Endowment Association.

The building will house a retired faculty center, the alumni association offices and an alumni-faculty club. Having space for retired faculty may make the center the only one of its kind in the country, officials said.

A CONSTRUCTION budget announced last April estimated the building would cost about \$4.17 million. But inflation has raised the price, now estimated by alumni officials at about \$5 million, Goff said.

Nettels said the Adams' donations vir-

tually assures the success of a campaign to raise the other \$1.4 million.

Goff said the campaign, which began last May, was generally running "ahead of schedule" and that funds have been coming in "quicker than expected. I don't think anyone expects a whole lot of problems in raising the rest of the money."

A fund-raising campaign among university faculty is expected to start this week, Goff said. A general fund drive, to begin April 1, has also been announced.

ADAMS, born in Horton and raised in Kansas City, Kan., was a 1921 KU graduate and played football and basketball for the school. He has twice before been honored by the alumni association.

In 1941 he was among the first group of KU grads to receive the school's Distinguished Service Citation. The honor, the highest KU can bestow, recognizes outstanding achievements and service to humanity.

In 1943-44 Adams elected national vice president of the association.

The oil man started as a warehouse clerk for Phillips in 1920 and succeeded company founder Frank Phillips as president 18 years later. He served as chief executive officer from 1949 to 1964 and was chairman of the board from 1961 to his retirement in 1968. He died in 1975.

Adams' widow, Dorothy Glynn Adams, Bartlesville, Okla., and his seven children made the family gift in his honor.

HIS CHILDREN are Kenneth G. Adams, Bartlesville; Stephen S. Adams, Tulsa, Okla.; Gary C. Adams, Tulsa; Stephanie Adams Beck, Midland, Tex.; Lisa Adams Gerhart, Giddings, Tex.; K.S. "Bud" Adams Jr., Houston, Tex.; and Mary Louise Adams, Houston.



Architect's drawing shows planned K.S. "Boots" Adams Alumni Center at KU.

February 16, 1981: The family of K.S. "Boots" Adams pledged \$1.3 million for a new alumni center. An anonymous donor also pledged \$700,000.

May 28, 1981

"KU receives Alumni Center gift honoring retired faculty"

KU news release announced the Endacott family's "major gift" to provide a retiree suite in the Adams Alumni Center.

June 1982

First retiree newsletter announces plans to form an organization for retired faculty

Retired Faculty Club Report

June 1982

The University of Kansas

PLANS UNDERWAY FOR RETIRED FACULTY CLUB
The purpose of this newsletter is to inform retired
faculty members about plans underway for use of the
Retired Faculty Club section of the K. S. "Boots"
Adams Alumni Center. The opening of the Center is
scheduled for the 1983 Commencement.

A committee has been working on organization and programs of this new facility since mid-October, 1981. General chairman is Raymond Nichols. Chairmen of the subcommittees are: Constitution and By-laws - Elizabeth Lawson; Programs and Services - Larry Heeb; Hobbies and Crafts - A. B. Leonard; Library - Thomas R. Smith; Music - Milton Steinhardt. Other members of the committee are Veda Gibson and A. J. Burzle. Currently subcommittees are compiling lists of specific items needed in the operation of the various rooms.

WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

The tentative constitution specifies that membership shall be open to the following categories:

- a. Persons, including surviving spouses, on the official retirement list as of December 31, 1981. (This is the list used for invitations to the annual Christmas dinner of the Endowment Association and the annual Retirement Dinner of the University.)
- b. Faculty, administrators, and other unclassified persons retiring after December 31, 1981.
- c. Surviving spouses of persons listed in b above.
- d. Surviving spouses of the unclassified staff who die before retirement.

WHAT ABOUT DUES?
The question of annual membership dues is still under discussion.

CLUB LOCATED ON FIRST FLOOR OF THE NEW BUILDING
Quarters for the Retired Faculty Club will occupy most
of the first floor of the new facility, thus making
for ease of access by members and visitors.

March 16, 1983

- First general meeting of retired faculty members is held
- Constitution and by-laws adopted
- Emeritus Chancellor Raymond Nichols elected president.

May 15, 1983

KU Alumni Association celebrated its 100th anniversary with the dedication of the K.S. "Boots" Adams Alumni Center

JOURNAL-WORLD





Ovation opens KU alumni center



alumni throw party of the century

Chilean troops seize 1,000 people in raids

Sept. 21, 1984

Traditions:

Celebrating birthdays . .



Traditions:

KU Retirees
Pool Room
In Adams
Alumni Center





Traditions:

Coffee Hour . .



Endacott, a Lawrence.

West in Bartlesville, Okla., attended KU lives in



April 14, 1988

When KU concerts were held in Hoch Auditorium, the Retirees Club held pre-concert dinners.

October 1988



BACK ROW (I to r): G. Baley Price, math; Bill Griffith, history; Amby Saricks, history; "Hob" Crockett, psychology; Arnold Weiss, Spanish/Portuguese; Clark Bricker, chemistry. FRONT ROW (I to r): Ed Erazmus, linguistics; Cora Lee Price, Classics; Bill Gilbert, history; Gordon Wiseman, physics & astronomy; Margaret Byrne Saricks, speech/language/hearing; Leland Pritchard, economics.

The Retirees' Club celebrated its fifth anniversary by giving \$5,000 to Campaign Kansas, KU's \$150 million fund drive.

Fall 1992

KU Retirees Rights and Benefits (RRB) Committee formed to review and recommend:

- Health care,
- Alumni association membership,
- Retiree listings in KU directory, and
- Faculty handbook references to retirees.

June 9, 1995



Chancellor and Mrs. Hemenway at the Adams Alumni Center, Jan. 8, 1995

- First meeting held away from the Adams Alumni Center
- Biggest attendance ever at a birthday party: 175 – 180 members
- Welcoming event for new Chancellor Robert Hemenway and his wife, Leah

"We're told [the Chancellor] had expected a small gathering and was pleased and surprised to meet so many retirees."

Nancy Hambleton

Oct. 19, 1995

Traditions:

Outings and travel . .





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Members of the KU Retirees Club meet regularly at the Adams Alumni Center for socializing and activities.

Aug. 16, 1997

KU Retirees Club offers something for everyone

Travel, talk and theater are iust a few offerings of the KU Retirees Club.

By SAM MELLINGER JOURNAL-WORLD WRITER

Who said retirement had to be boring?

Certainly not the 400 members of the Kansas University Retirees Club, who travel together, go to the opera, play cards, read plays. throw birthday parties, have weekly coffees and do much more.

"Its a very warm and caring group," said Evelyn Swartz, past president, "That's what makes it so fun."

The KU Retirees Club is a group of mostly retired KU faculty and staff, including retirees from the KU Medical Center. The club also welcomes spouses and those who have worked at a university elsewhere and moved to Lawrence to others.

eled around a lot, so they take pictures and show the films of their words. experiences," Knapper said. "We've seen presentations from the Middle East, China, Europe, different places in the United Thursday of each month, the States — it's interesting."

destinations include the Truman Library, Eisenhower Library, Atchison, St. Joseph and the travel is done by bus. The group's puter Club. most memorable trip was by airplane, however, when members ' • For more information on the attended the opera in Chicago.

runs through June 30. The meet- Play Reading. The Play Readers ings give members a chance to choose certain popular, classic or see various places around the otherwise interesting plays and United States and the world. perform them. Group members Those who have traveled are also remember one play that contained able share their experiences with a high amount of "adult language." One member recalls: "It "A lot of our people have trav- was quite funny seeing everybody spitting out all these four-letter

One of the club's most popular gatherings is the monthly birthday parties. On the second club meets to celebrate the mem-The Out of Town Travel group's bers' birthdays of the last month with cake and stories.

Other groups that the Retirees Club has to offer include Out Of opera in Kansas City. The group Town Theater, Classic Films, has also traveled to Nebraska to Afternoon at the Opera, Potluck go birdwatching. Most of the Dinners, Great Books and a Com-

KU Retirees Club, call President The club also has a group called **Grant Goodman at 841-1066**.

Longtime benefactor of KU dead at age 94

The man who helped lead Kansas University to its first two national basketball championships spent the rest of his life contributing to his alma mater.

BY MATT GOWEN

JOURNAL-WORLD WRITER

Paul Endacott, a longtime Kansas University benefactor and captain of KU's 1923 championship basketball team, died Wednesday in a Bartlesville, Okla., hospital. He was 94.

Mr. Endacott, former president of both Phillips Petroleum Company and the KU Alumni Association, was a key contributor to the construction of the Adams Alumni Center. His dedication—represented in everything from donations—and—university archives contributions to his trips back to Lawrence for games—was legendary.

"He was a wonderful gentleman who loved the University of Kansas, loved the city of Lawrence, and cared about all the people in both places," said KU athletics director Bob Frederick.

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OBITUARY

Championships and overalls

Born July 13, 1902, Mr. Endacott was a 1920 graduate of Liberty Memorial High School in Lawrence.



Endacott

Mr. Endacott, one of only eight KU basketball players to have jerseys retired, played guard from 1921 to 1923 under Coach Phog Allen.

Mr. Endacott was the Helms Foundation

National Player

of the Year in 1923. With assistance from eventual 1924 player of the year Charles T. Black, Mr. Endacott catapulted two Allencoached teams to KU's first national championships, in 1922 and 1923.

Bill Hougland, who played on

See Benefactor, page 3B

Jan. 8, 1997

Passing of Paul Endacott

KU Retirees Club held a tribute in his honor on April 22, 1997.

Sept. 17, 1999

KU Retirees' Club re-named "Endacott Society"

Retirees' group announces name changes

KU Retirees' Club member by any other name would be a member of the Endacott Society, thanks to changes brought about by the Kansas Alumni Association's recent settlement with the Internal Revenue Service.

The same agreement between the Alumni Association and the IRS that closed a la carte dining services at the Learned Club in the Adams Alumni Center also forced dissolution of the KU Retirees' Club as an organization separate from the Alumni Association. The association has folded the organization into its existing programs and has worked with leaders of the former club to rename the group the Endacott Society.

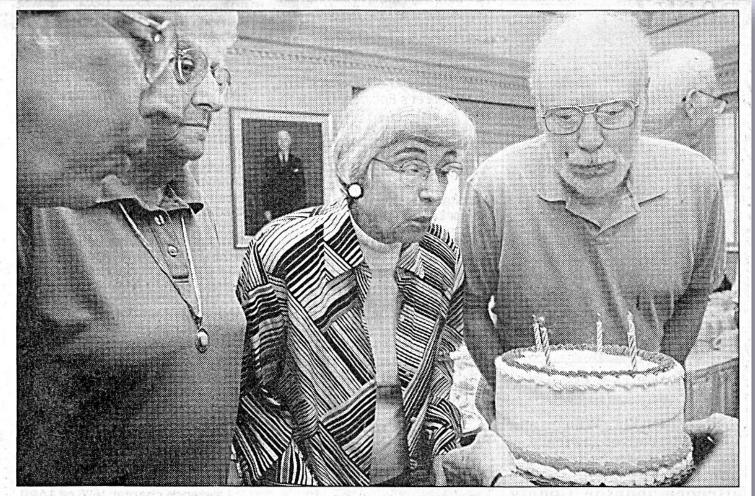
The former club had traditionally focused on university service, member education and social activities, and those programs will continue. "Nothing changes but the name," said Lee F. Young, journalism professor emeritus and president of the society. "The functions will remain the same.

However, issues involving finances and membership are being finetuned."

The Endacott Society will receive funds through member contributions, existing endowments and an allocation of dues paid when members join the Alumni Association. A special low membership rate is available to retirees. Those who already are annual, Jayhawk Society or life members of the association automatically become members of the Endacott Society. Retirees who

previously paid Retirees' Club dues for fiscal year 2000 will receive refunds.

Endacott Society activities include the Ten O'Clock Scholars, the Concert Series and the Afternoon Lecture Series. The group takes its new name from the late Paul Endacott, a 1923 graduate of the School of Engineering who became president of the Phillips Petroleum Co. Endacott donated funds to the university to benefit retired faculty members.



Scott McClurg/Journal-World Photo

ENDACOTT SOCIETY MEMBERS, from left, Dale Rummer, Gwin Mitchell, Nancy Hambleton and Dick Sapp blow out the candles for members who celebrate a birthday in September. The society, which consists of retired Kansas University faculty and staff members, also celebrated its 20th anniversary Sept. 11 at the Adams Alumni Center.

Sept. 11, 2003

Birthday party and 20th anniversary observance



Oct. 31, 2019

Traditions:

When a Potluck Dinner coincided with Halloween . .

2020-21: Surviving the Covid-19 Pandemic

- Classes were cancelled, students went home, life changed.
- Endacott Society members donated food and money to the student-operated Campus Cupboard food pantry.
- Nov. 24, 2021: Vaccinated members met for coffee at Dillon's for the first indoor gathering in person since Feb. 2020.



Listeners to Old Time Radio, and other Endacott groups and programs, adapted to Zoom.





Returning to New Normal: 2021-23



2023: Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum Trip





2022: Crystal Bridges Museum Trip

2022: Sunflowers show support for Ukraine



October 7, 2022: Endacott Tour of Jayhawk Welcome Center construction

During 2021-23, the **Endacott Society** vacated its Adams Alumni Center office space during renovation of the building and construction of the adjoining Jayhawk Welcome Center.



ADDITIONAL TOTAL





Feb. 3, 2023: Moving In

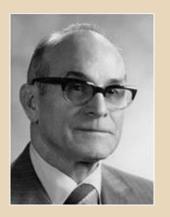


April 12, 2023



First Coffee Hour in renovated Adams Alumni Center

Thanks to Endacott Presidents: 1983-96



Ray Nichols 1983-85



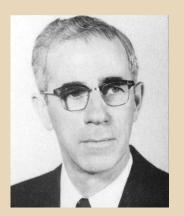
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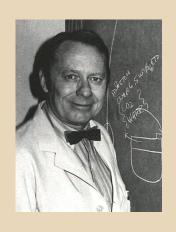
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Pat Collinson Kelly 1992-93



G. Baley Price 1987-88



George Forman 1993-94



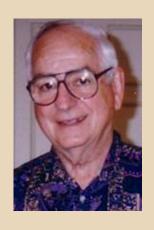
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Nancy Hambleton 1994-95



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Walter Crockett 1995-96

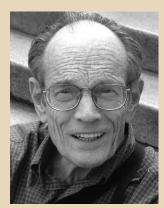
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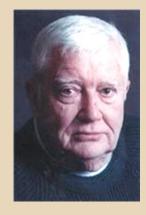
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Grant Goodman 1997-98



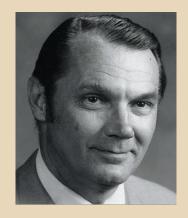
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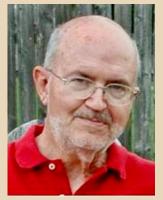
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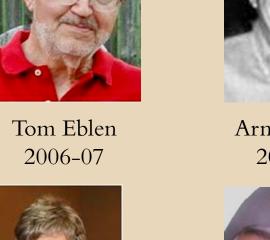


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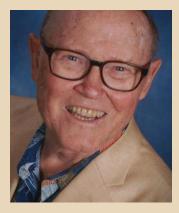
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Arnold Weiss 2007-08



John and Linda Mullens, 2012-13



Jerry Niebaum 2008-09



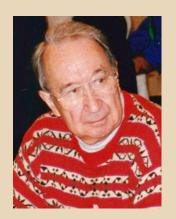
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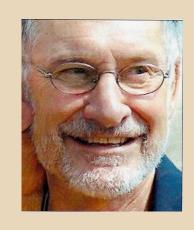
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Ellen Reid Gold 2014-15



Bruce Linton 2010-11



Tom McCoy 2015-16

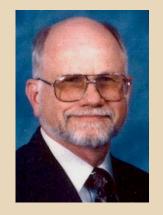
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Alan Swarts 2016-17



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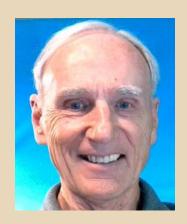
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MaryKay Mahoney 2022-23



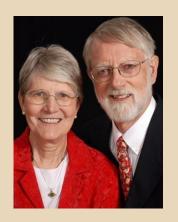
Paul Lim 2018-19



David Mannering 2023-24



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