# ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas

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March 2013

## SCHEDULED EVENTS All activities meet at the Adams Alumni Center unless otherwise noted.

#### **Afternoon Lecture Series**

Sharon and Bob Brown (842-2079) are in charge of Birthday preparations. Loraine Lindenbaum (Ihlindenbaum@sunflower.com, 843-4308), and Stan and Janet Roth (sdroth@ku.edu, jroth@ku.edu, 843-4764) are in charge of programs.

March 14—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. Following the celebration of March birthdays, John W. Hoopes, Associate Professor of Anthropology, will provide the program on "Holding the Sun: Ancient Goldwork of Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia." According to Prof. Hoopes, the following publications may be of interest:

To Capture the Sun: Gold of Ancient Panama (http://www.amazon.com/To-Capture-Sun-Ancient-Panama/dp/0981979912/).

Gold and Power in Ancient Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia (http://www.amazon.com/Colombia-Dumbarton-Pre-Columbian-Conference-Proceedings/dp/0884022943/)

#### **Cinema Studies**

Fred Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939), Audrey Kamb-Studdard (audkamb@ku.edu, 843-4166), and Bruce Linton (balinton@ku.edu, 843-6796).

March 12—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. The March film will be *The King's Speech*. *The King's Speech* is a British historical drama staring Colin Firth playing King George VI who has to cope with a heavy stammer, and sees an Australian speech therapist, played by Geoffrey Rush. *The King's Speech* won 4 Oscars in 2010. Film running time 118 minutes. Please join us for coffee and the movie!

## **Computer Study**

Jerry Niebaum (jniebaum@wizardofkansas.com, 842-3127) All meetings at 9:00 in the Paul Adam Lounge.

Programs for the month follow:

March 6—"Future Technologies" (Jerry Niebaum).

March 13—"Maintaining the Endacott Web site(s)" (Jerry Niebaum).

March 20—No session – Spring Break.

March 27—"iMovie: Movie editing on a Mac"

(Bruce & Marc Linton).

## **Drama Study**

Arnold Weiss (ahweiss@ku.edu, 842-5502)

**March 8**—1:30. The group will continue with a reading of *A Raisin in the Sun*, and copies will be available at the meeting. Place of meeting will be decided and announced later, but will probably be somewhere in *Brandon Woods*.

## **Evening Lecture Series (Potluck Dinner)**

Tom Eblen (teblen@sunflower.com, 865-3634) and John Mullens (841-0958)

March 28—5:30 wine and cheese, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 program. The program, on KU's 150th anniversary celebration, will be led by Bill Crowe.

Please sign up for this event, and indicate what you will bring, on the signup sheet during Wednesday Coffee or by calling one of the organizers listed above.

#### Gardening

Allen Wiechert (wiechert@ku.edu, 842-5467) and Dick Schiefelbusch (843-5869)

March 6, 13, 27—9:00 in the Music Room.

#### **Great Books Study**

Ellen Gold (843-6933) and Don Chambers (843-5805)

March 13—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. Great Books will discuss William James' *Pragmatism: A New Name For Some Old Ways of Thinking*. Frank Shontz will moderate the discussion.

## Metropolitan Opera Radio

Al Sellen (jnalsellen@aol.com, 841-7432)

The live Saturday opera radio broadcasts of the Met, received over the Internet, will be heard at the home of Vic and Mary Wallace, 1509 Massachusetts Street. Coffee, snacks, and conversation follow during intermissions, and libretti are furnished when possible. Parking is conveniently available in the church parking lot next door. All are welcome.

When the opera is being presented in live-HD video at movie theaters, the group will meet at Southwind Theatres, 3433 Iowa Street, instead of at the Wallaces'. The schedule:

March 2—11:00. Parsifal, Wagner. (At Southwind.)

March 9—No session.

March 16—11:00. Francesca da Rimini, Zandonai. (At Southwind.)

March 23—12:00. *La Forza del Destino*, Verdi. (Historic 1977 broadcast with Leontine Price and Placido Domingo.)

March 30—11:30. La Traviata, Verdi.

#### Music

Roberta Spires (rspires@ku.edu, 842-6820)

March 6, 13, 27—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room.

## Opera Study

Al Sellen (jnalsellen@aol.com, 841-7432) and Vic Wallace (wallace@ku.edu, 842-7930)

March 8—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The last music this season is a change of pace, The Pirates of Penzance by Gilbert and Sullivan. These civilized pirates on the Cornwall coast of England entertain us with tuneful music and clever words in a story that ends happily with no deaths. Our version is a 1982 film based upon a New York revival starring Linda Ronstadt, Kevin Kline, Rex Smith, and Angela Lansbury.

The operetta lasts about two hours. At the intermission there will be coffee, tea, cookies, and conversation. The group will decide about operas for next year.

## **Out of Town Travel**

Bob and Norma Hohn (bnhohn@sunflower.com, 842-8804) and Fred and Carolyn Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939)

April 10—Trip to Baldwin Exhibit. We are now collecting sign-ups for a trip to Baldwin City to see the Smithsonian exhibit on "The Way We Worked." The Smithsonian periodically schedules national tours displaying its vast exhibits of American memorabilia and this one will be close by. It explores the stories of American workers, and the changes in our workplaces and workforce. We plan to leave after coffee on April 10, stopping for lunch in Baldwin, and touring the exhibit at the Lumberyard Art Center. We will return home in the P.M. Please let us know if you are willing to drive yourself or need to drive with someone else.

May 30-31—Trip to Omaha. Our overnight trip to Omaha is now set for May 30-31 (Th-F) We will stop at the Strategic Air Command Museum with its one of a kind collection of airplanes, the Joslyn Art Museum with a large collection of 19th and 20th century American and European art, and the Henry Doorly Zoo, known as one of the best zoos in the country. Costs have not yet been determined. They depend on how many people are willing to attend.

If you would like to attend one or both of these trips, please sign up at Wednesday coffee, by e-mail, or call one of the above committee members.

## Singing for Fun

Roberta Spires (rspires@ku.edu, 842-6820)

March 7—2:00 in the Music Room. Winnie Gallup will accompany us with the able help of Pat Kelly and Al Gallup. Please come and sing some familiar old and good songs!

## Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA "Wednesday Coffee"

Esther Smith (842-1660)

March 6, 13, 27—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### To New Retirees

Linda and John Mullens (lmullens@ku.edu, jmullens@ku.edu, 842-0958),

Because of the weather-related cancellation of the February Evening Lecture (Pot Luck) Dinner, we are again

inviting new and phased retirees to be our guests, this time to our March 28, 5:30 pm, Evening Lecture Dinner. Please confirm your plans to come, if you have not already done so, by calling *Endacott Society*, 864-9761, no later than March 20. —Linda and John Mullens, Co-Presidents.