

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas

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Dec. 2014

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

Afternoon Lecture and Birthday Celebration

Sharon and Bob Brown (842-2079) are in charge of Birthday preparations. Loraine Lindenbaum (lhindenbaum@sunflower.com, 843-4308), Lee Ketznel (leeketznel@yahoo.com, 843-4834) and Pat Kelly (842-0523) are in charge of programs.

December 11—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. Following the celebration of December birthdays, the speaker will be Professor Henry Bial, Associate Dean for the School of Fine Arts. He will speak on *Playing God: The Bible on the Broadway Stage.*

Card and Game Theory

Edna Galle (galle@ku.edu, 843-2950)

December 18—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The sign-up sheet for bridge and scrabble is available at the Wednesday Coffee.

Cinema Studies

Domestic Films: Fred Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939), Audrey Kamb-Studdard (audkamb@ku.edu, 843-4166), and Bruce Linton (balinton@ku.edu, 843-6796). *Foreign Films:* Paul Lim (plim@ku.edu, 841-1544).

December 9—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. We will show *White Christmas*, starring Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye and Rosemary Clooney. In this (1954) film, a successful song and dance team become romantically involved with a sister act and save a failing Vermont Inn from financial ruin. Irvin Berlin was nominated for the (1955) Best Music Oscar. Running time 120 minutes.

December 30—Film at 2:00, light refreshments and Brazilian snacks at 1:45, in the Bruckmiller Room. *Black Orpheus* is a joyous musical retelling of the

Greek myth of Orpheus and Eurydice, set against the madness of the Carnival in Rio de Janeiro. Winner of the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1959, *Black Orpheus* seduced an entire generation of Americans (including Jackie Kennedy at the White House) to swing to the sensuous beat of the bossa nova, and sway to the sexy rhythm of the samba. In Portuguese, with English subtitles. 100 minutes.

Computer Study

Jerry Niebaum (jniebaum@wizardofkansas.com, 842-3127)

December 3—“Android operating system” (Richard Kershenbaum).

December 10—“Android Apps” (Alan Swarts).

December 17—“Dr. Fixit” (Jerry Niebaum).

Conversations with ...

Jerry Niebaum (jniebaum@wizardofkansas.com, 842-3127)

December 16—2:30 in the Music Room. John (Jay) Alexander, retired Professor of History, will be interviewed by Jerry Niebaum.

Note this date is later in the month than usual, due to scheduling conflicts for our guest.

This will be the last interview for this study group. No further programs are planned. The group leader is retiring from that responsibility.

Drama Study

Arnold Weiss (ahweiss@ku.edu, 842-5502), and Bob Procter (robert@procter.com, 221-2100)

December 12—1:30 in the Music Room. Drama Study group will begin reading Thornton Wilder’s *Our Town*. As always, all are welcome.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Evening Lecture Series (Potluck Dinner)

Linda Mullens (*lmullens@ku.edu*, 841-0958)

December 4—5:30 wine and cheese, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 program. As described in the November Newsletter, after the dinner, our program will be “Themes and Variations” by the Lawrence Woodwind Quintet.

This is a reminder only, as the deadline for signup has passed.

Gardening

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

December 3, 10, 17, 31—9:00 in the Music Room.

Great Books Study

Lucy J. Price (*lucyjprice@outlook.com*, (843-1682) and Ellen Reid Gold (843-6933)

December 10—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. The group will discuss the short story by Nathaniel Hawthorne entitled “Ethan Brand.” This story can be downloaded or read on the internet at the web address: <http://www.eldritchpress.org/nh/eb.html>. Our discussion will be led by Bernadette Traiger. All are welcome!

Singing for Fun

Roberta Spires. Contact: Shirley Phillips (*sphil4988@sbcglobal.net*, 842-1020), Mary Ross (*mmross@ku.edu*, 760-2816), or Pat Kelly (*patckelly@sbcglobal*, 842-0523).

December 4—2:00 in the Music Room. A session of fun singing oldies and goodies, with Winnie Gallup, Pat Kelly and Al Gallup and others. Please come and sing!

Music

Roberta Spires (*rspires@ku.edu*), Contact: Thelma Taylor (842-2578).

December 3, 10, 17, 31—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room.

Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA “Wednesday Coffee”

Ann Blackhurst (*ablackhurst@msn.com*. 841-4099)

December 3, 10, 17, 31—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.