

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas

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October 2015

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 (lhlindenbaum@sunflower.com, 843-4308), Lee Ketzler (leeketzler@yahoo.com, 843-4834) and Pat Kelly (842-0523) are in charge of programs.

October 8—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. The program following the celebration of October birthdays will be on “The Prairie Park Nature Center: Its Programs, Displays and Wildlife,” presented by Marty Birrell, Director of the Nature Center. Marty will also discuss the role of this 100-acre urban nature preserve within the whole City of Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department.

Armchair Travel

Ron Schorr (rwwschorr@gmail.com, 842-8625)

October 22—Program at 2:30, coffee and tea at 2:00. Richard Kershenbaum will be presenting his and Jenny’s 2014 trip to Croatia, Slovenia, Trieste and Venice.

Card and Game Theory

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

October 15—1:00 in the Paul Adam Lounge. (Note special time)

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).

October 13—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. The October film will be William Inge’s *Picnic*, starring William Holden and Kim Novak. In this 1955 picture it seems emotions are ignited amongst the complacent townsfolk when a handsome drifter arrives in a small Kansas community on the morning of the annual Labor Day Picnic. This production was nominated for 5

Oscars and won 2. It was filmed mostly in Hutchinson and the Salina area. Running time 115 minutes. Please join us for coffee and a movie.

October 27—Film at 2:00, light refreshments and doggie treats at 1:45, in the Bruckmiller Room. Lasse Hallstrom’s *My Life as a Dog* is a charming, bitter-sweet evocation of childhood. The metaphorical dog of the title is Laika, the dog that the Russian space program sent up into space in a Sputnik, with whom the lonely 12-year-old Ingemar identifies. Winner of the 1988 Golden Globe for Best Foreign Language Film. (In Swedish, with English subtitles, 101 minutes.)

Computer Study

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

All meetings are at 9:00 in the Paul Adam Lounge:

October 7—“Exploring oldku.org” (Alan Swarts).

October 14—“The TED talks at ted.com” (Alan Swarts).

October 21—“IT – Where have we been, where are we going?” (George Strawn, via Skype).

October 28—“Go-Pro cameras and sports videos” - (Jerry Niebaum).

Conversations with ...

Alan Swarts (amswarts@sunflower.com, 843-4225)

October 7—11:00 in the Paul Adam Lounge. Bruce Linton, Professor Emeritus, Journalism and Theatre Film, recently retired, will be interviewed by Tom Hedrick.

Drama Study

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

October 9—1:30 in the Music Room. The group is continuing with *She Stoops to Conquer* by Oliver Goldsmith. Copies are available. As always all are welcome.

October 20—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The Drama Study Group will show the film *She Stoops to Conquer*, based on the play currently being read by the group.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Evening Lecture Series (Potluck Dinner)

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

October 1—5:30 appetizers, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 program.

Our speakers are Drs. William and Kathryn Tuttle. Each of them authored a chapter in the recently published book entitled *Transforming the University of Kansas, A History, 1965-2015*, in celebration of the sesquicentennial of KU. They have titled their presentation as, "Fifty Years of Student Activism and Student Leadership at KU, 1965-2015." (Signup ended on September 23.)

Gardening

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

October 7, 14, 21, 28—9:00 in the Music Room.

Great Books Study

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

October 14—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. We will discuss the short story *The Man Who Could Work Miracles* by H. G. Wells. The text of this story can be found at http://graphicclassics.com/pgs/Wells_The_Man_Who_Could_Work_Miracles.pdf. Our discussion will be led by Alan Black. All are welcome! Hope to see you there.

Music

Thelma Taylor (842-2578).

October 7, 14, 28—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room. Relax with a program of recorded classical music.

Opera Study

Vic Wallace (wallace@ku.edu, 842-7930), and Paul Lim (plim@ku.edu, 841-1544)

October 2—1:30 in the Summerfield Room. *Brokeback Mountain* (music by Charles Wuorinen, Text by Annie Proulx) tells the heart-breaking story of two lonely cowboys who meet while herding sheep in the mountains of Wyoming. They fall in love and sustain a long secretive relationship, with tragic consequences. Ang Lee's celebrated movie adaptation won three Oscars in 2006. Now relive the story in the powerful 2014 adaptation from Teatro Real/Madrid which Opera News calls "an important new work on a controversial subject." Beef jerky and other Western snacks at 1:15, video at 1:30. Sung in English, with English subtitles, 130 minutes.

Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA "Wednesday Coffee"

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

October 7, 14, 21, 28—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements. For the **October 21** meeting we will honor our members who are 90 or over (or approaching 90) with delicious catered refreshments, reminiscing and singing. Come to this festive occasion!