

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas

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April 2011

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

Afternoon Lecture Series

Carolyn Madaus (fmadaus@sbcglobal, 841-4939) is in charge of Birthday preparations. Loraine Lindenbaum (lhindenbaum@sunflower.com, 843-4308), and Stan and Janet Roth (sdroth@ku.edu, jroth@ku.edu, 843-4764) are in charge of programs.

April 14—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. Following the celebration of April birthdays, Jeffrey S. Vitter, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor of the University of Kansas, will speak about “Big Ideas: Planning for the Future.”

Armchair Travel

Stitt Robinson (wsrobin@ku.edu, 843-1499)

April 28—Program at 2:30, coffee and tea at 2:00. Dick Moore and Barbara McCorkle will report on “Bali and the Spice Islands in the South Pacific.”

Card and Game Theory

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

April 21—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The sign-up sheet for bridge and scrabble is available at the Wednesday Coffee.

Cinema Studies

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Grant Goodman (plim@ku.edu, 841-1066) and Fred Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939)

April 19—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. We will see the first of three Audrey Hepburn films: *Roman Holiday* which was Ms. Hepburn’s first movie. It is “the film that made the whole world fall in love with Audrey Hepburn.” As the regal Princess Ann who falls head over heels for a charming American journalist played by Gregory Peck, her performance won her the Academy Award in 1953. We can all identify nostalgically with the youth and fervor of the forever young Hepburn and Peck. Everyone is welcome.

Computer Study

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

All meetings at 9:00 in the Paul Adam Lounge unless otherwise noted. Programs for the month follow. (Check our Web site for possible changes: <http://oldku.org/>).

April 6—Blackboard-KU (Doug Golick).

April 13—Kan-Ed, the Board of Regents network (Brad Williams).

April 20—Macxperts, 520 W 23rd (Blake Allen).

April 27—iPad (Jerry Niebaum).

Drama Study

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

April 8—1:30 in the Music Room. Encouraged by the enterprise of Bob Procter and Jim Taylor in securing copies of the play, by the musical contributions of Janis Hutchison and by Jed Davis’ recollections of stagings past, the group bravely attacked its scheduled reading of George Farquhar’s Restoration comedy, *The Beaux’ Stratagem*. Contrary to the usual experience whereby a prior viewing of the play (in this case just performed in KU’s Crafton-Preyer Theatre) should reinforce an appreciation—indeed understanding—of the written text, the opposite happily proved true: the group’s reading, ice-cold as it had to be, brought out the play’s rich comic character from the word go, a character which, for one reason or another, was lost in the KU staging.

Good reason for the group to be tugging at the leash to resume its reading of the play, picking it up with the long Scene 5 of Act I and on into Act II, with their full cast of mountebanks, masqueraders and goldiggers of both sexes, all instantly unmasked by the Innkeeper’s seemingly simple Serving-Maid daughter. Come join us for vintage April Foolery!

Foreign Policy Study

Marilyn Bradt (mbradt@carrollswweb.com, 843-7751)

April 11—3:30, coffee at 3:00, in the McGinnis Library. Please note the change of time. The group decided they needed more pre-discussion coffee time; henceforth we will gather at 3:00 with discussion beginning at 3:30. The discussion will focus on the Caucasus and will be led by Anna Cienciala.

Gardening

Arno Knapper (knapper@ku.edu, 312-9422) and Dick Schiefelbusch (843-5869)

April 6, 13, 20, 27—9:00 in the Music Room.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Great Books Study

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

April 13—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. The group will be reading a selection from Rudyard Kipling's *The Man Who Would be King*. Jo Scannell will convene the group.

Metropolitan Opera Radio

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

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

When the opera is being presented in live-HD video at movie houses, the group will meet at Southwind Theaters, 3433 Iowa Street, instead of at the Wallaces'.

April 2—12:00. *Das Rheingold*, Wagner.

April 9—12:00. *Le Comte Ory*, Rossini (at Southwind).

April 16—12:00. *Wozzeck*, Berg.

April 23—12:00 *Capriccio*, Richard Strauss (at Southwind).

April 30—12:00 *Il Travatore*, Verdi (at Southwind).

Music

Arno Knapper (knapper@ku.edu, 312-9422)

April 6, 13, 20, 27—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room.

Out of Town Travel

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

Our trip to Lindsborg has been successfully concluded, in March. However, we are considering another one soon. This would be a short day trip to Powell Gardens in Warrensburg, MO, and perhaps with a stop at Johnson County's new arboretum. It would be scheduled for May or early June when the flowers are at their best. Any member of the Committee would be glad to hear your thoughts, either by the above e-mail addresses or at Coffee.

Singing for Fun

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

April 7—2:00 in the Music Room. Winnie Gallup will accompany us with the able help of Edwyna Gilbert and Al Gallup. Please come. It is so very much fun!

Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA "Wednesday Coffee"

Genevieve McMahon (841-2116)

April 6, 13, 20, 27—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.

Endacott Society Membership List

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