

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas groups.ku.edu/~endacottsociety November 2011

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

Afternoon Lecture Series

Carolyn Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 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.

November 17—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. Following the celebration of November birthdays, the program for the Afternoon Lecture will be provided by Paul Tucker directing the Concert Choir.

Card and Game Theory

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

November 17—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The sign-up sheet for bridge and scrabble is available at the Wednesday Coffee.

Cinema Studies

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

November 1—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. The twice postponed film *Chicago* will be shown. Don't miss it.

November 15—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. We will see the stunning film *Hurt Locker*. This is the first dramatic feature film about the Iraq War to win an Academy Award. It is the first war movie about a modern war to win the Best Picture Award where the war featured is not World War I, World War II nor the Vietnam War. It is the first war movie to win the Best Picture Award since "The English Patient."

It is the first war movie to win a Best Director Award (Katherine Bigelow) since Roman Polanski's "The Pianist." It is a masterpiece and a triumph of movie making. 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>.)

November 2—Google: Education Initiatives & The Khan Academy (Jerry Niebaum).

November 9—Google Tools: Translation, Books, Calendar, & more (Jerry Niebaum).

November 16—Intro to Quicken (Margery McElwee).

November 23—No Session (Thanksgiving Break).

November 30—Apple time: iPad (Jerry Niebaum).

Drama Study

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

November 11—1:30 in the Music Room. The new vehicle to be undertaken is being researched. Author and title are to be announced at Wednesday Coffee, or online.

Evening Lecture Series (Potluck Dinner)

Tom Eblen (teblen@sunflower.com, 865-3634) and John Mullens (841-0958) 12/1/11

~~November 3~~—5:30 wine and cheese, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 program. Our speaker will be Provost, Dr. Jeffrey Vitter.

Please sign up for reservations and indicate a dish you will bring: salad, vegetable, or dessert. (Signup sheet at Wednesday Coffee, or contact Tom Eblen or John Mullens.)

Foreign Policy Study

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

Foreign Policy is reluctantly suspending operations for the time being, at least. Well attended and enthusiastic though it has been, it has become increasingly difficult to find members who are willing to commit the little extra time and effort required to serve as discussion leaders.

This requires little more than reading the material in the Great Decisions book that serves as our base for discussion, when possible updating the issue with current information, and directing discussion traffic at meeting time. Expertise in the subject to be discussed is certainly not a requirement; we happily accept the blind leading the blind as long as the discussion is interesting!

We realize that none of the group can attend every time and no one is expected to be a discussion leader for more than one meeting during the year. Without even that minimal leadership, however, it is difficult to have a useful discussion. The October meeting narrowly decided to discontinue for the present as there were no offers to act as discussion leaders for the remaining issues of the year. Several had already done their share for the year, others were unable to commit for a variety of reasons.

If there are some in the group of more or less regular attendees who would be willing to step in, or new Endacott members who would be interested, it may be possible to revitalize Foreign Policy under new leadership. Let us hear from you.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Gardening

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

November 2, 9, 16, 30—9:00 in the Music Room.

Great Books Study

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

November 9—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. The group will discuss a selection from Simone de Beauvoir's *The Second Sex*. David Hiebert will moderate the discussion. Great Books always meets on the second Wednesday of the month.

Music

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

November 2, 9, 16, 30—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room.

Singing for Fun

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

November 3—2:00 in the Music Room. Winnie Gallup will accompany us with the able help of Pat Kelly and Al Gallup. Please come. It is so very much fun.

Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA "Wednesday Coffee"

Esther Smith (842-1660)

November 2, 9, 16, 30—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.

Out of Town Travel

Bob and Norma Hohn (bnhohn@sunflower.com, 842-8804)

Fred and Carolyn Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939) and Evelyn Swartz (841-4065, evswartz@ku.edu)

December ??—Trip to Nelson Gallery, Tour of Kauffman Performing Arts Center, and Country Club Plaza. Our trip to Leavenworth and Atchison had to be cancelled due to our not having enough participants. However, we are planning an early December trip to the Nelson Gallery, the new Kauffman Performing Arts Center (for a tour) and the Country Club Plaza. Exact date, costs and other details will be e-mailed to members soon. (If you are not on our email list, and are interested in taking part, please contact Bob Hohn or Fred Madaus for information.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Retirees

Sandra Wiechert (wiechert@ku.edu, 842-5467)

Another welcome is extended to the recent KU retirees. Please join your old and new friends for as few or as many of the announced events as you wish. We always learn, converse, and enjoy being together, and your presence will make gatherings even nicer. There are no dues other than membership in the KU Alumni Association (see pg. 4 for more info). — Sandra Wiechert, President.