

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas groups.ku.edu/~endacottsociety December 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 (lhlindenbaum@sunflower.com, 843-4308), and Stan and Janet Roth (sdroth@ku.edu, jroth@ku.edu, 843-4764) are in charge of programs.

December 8—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. Following the celebration of December birthdays, the program will be given by Free State Brewing Co. brewmaster, Steve Bradt, presenting a talk “Making Beer a Craft Again. Observations on the recent revolution in brewing.” Mr. Bradt will reflect on the resurgence of small scale brewing as a craft, including his own journey and growth as a craftsman.

Card and Game Theory

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

December 15—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)

December 20—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. The third and last in our series on the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan will be the superb documentary *Restrepo*. This heart-rending and amazingly detailed story of the 2nd Platoon of Bravo Company follows this small detachment of the US military deployed to the Korengal Valley of northeast Afghanistan, which at the time was known as “the deadliest place on earth.” No aspect of this impossible assignment is omitted. After seeing *Restrepo*, there should be no doubters as to the horrendous responsibility the American troops bear in Afghanistan. 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>.)

December 7—Knology: Where are we heading (Rod Kutemeier).

December 14—Blog, Blogger, Blogging (Jerry Niebaum).

December 21—Computer Lab, Memorial Union (Richard Kirshenbaum & Jerry Niebaum).

December 28—No Session (Christmas Break).

Drama Study

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

December 16—1:30 in the Music Room. The group will continue its reading of poet Maxwell Anderson’s *Key Largo*. Reminiscences of events of the Spanish Civil War of 1936-1939, Anderson’s inspiration in writing the play, will continue in the background, along with memories of the eponymous film that starred Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall. Copies of the play will be available. **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The meeting takes place on the **third Friday** of the month, rather than on the customary second.

Evening Lecture Series (Potluck Dinner)

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

December 1—5:30 wine and cheese, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 program. Our speaker will be the Provost, Dr. Jeffrey Vitter.

Gardening

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

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

Great Books Study

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

December 14—2:30 in the McGinnis Library. The group will be discussing Machiavelli’s *The Prince*. Alan Black will moderate.

Music

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

December 7, 14, 21, 28—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Singing for Fun

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

December 1—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)

December 7, 14, 21, 28—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Retirees

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

Facing a calmer winter holiday season without all the frantic days of finals, grading, etc.? Perhaps you might enjoy some of the Endacott activities listed herein. The Wednesday 10 o'clock Scholars coffees are a good place to start. Conversations with old and new friends are always enjoyable.

This issue is, unfortunately, the last of your complimentary copies. Please contact the Alumni Association to join the Endacott Society and keep the Newsletter coming. Annual membership is free, if you are already a member of the Alumni Association, and just \$25 (\$30 for couples) if you are not. (See page 4 for details.)

If you are not ready to join now, we hope you will keep in touch by reading our online newsletter, at "groups.ku.edu/~endacottsociety/newsletter.pdf", and by sampling our activities.

—Sandra Wiechert, President

KU Endowment "Photo Booth"

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Recently Jessica Sain-Baird of KU Endowment arranged for an all-university "Photo Booth" in the Kansas Union. Free photographs by a professional photographer were taken of all who wished to participate: students, faculty and staff, alumni, and retirees. The only requirement was for participants to write a short statement about KU.

From all these a few will be selected for future KU publications. All participants by now have received their photographs by email.

Jessica arranged this photo booth specifically on a Wednesday morning so that Endacott Society members could walk from the Adams Center to the Union following the weekly 10 o'clock Scholars Coffee. Many did. She and KUEA staff have expressed gratitude to us for our participation, and we in turn are grateful to be included in this project.