

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas www.ku.edu/~emeritus July-Aug. 2012

OFFICERS FOR 2012-2013

Following the election that took place during the June 20 Annual Meeting, the following are the officers for the year beginning July 1, 2012:

Co-Presidents: John and Linda Mullens
President Elect: Robert (Bob) Hohn (President 2013-2014)
Past President: Sandra Wiechert
Treasurer: Edna Galle (continuing)
Secretary: Patricia Kelly (continuing)

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.

July 19—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Bruckmiller Room. Following the celebration of July birthdays, young pianists from the International Institute for Young Musicians, under the direction of Scott McBride Smith, will perform. (*Note: This is the third Thursday in July – different from usual.*)

August 9—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. Following the celebration of August birthdays, Margaret Farley, Attorney at Law, P.A., will speak on “Aging and Care Issues: Quality, Safety, and Choice.”

Card and Game Theory

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

July 19 and August 16—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The sign-up sheet for bridge and scrabble is available at the Wednesday Coffee.

Cinema Studies

Fred Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939), Audrey Kamb-Studdard (audkamb@ku.edu, 843-4166), and Bruce Linton (balinton@ku.edu, 843-6796).

July 17—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. For July we will see *The Odd Couple*, starring Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau. Two men, a neat freak and a slob, separated from their wives, have to share an apartment despite their differences. The results are hilarious. Running time 105 min. Please join us!

August 21—(Same times and place.) For August, we will shift to the old west with *Butch Cassidy and*

the Sundance Kid, starring Paul Newman, Robert Redford and Katharine Ross. These two inept bank/train robbers spend most of their time running from the law. Their bumbling ways earned them the reputation of “the nicest ‘bad-guys’ who ever rode in the West.” This film won four Academy Awards. It should be a fun hour and 50 minutes.

Computer Study

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

The group will resume meeting on September 5.

Drama Study

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

The group will resume activities on Friday, September 14, at its customary hour and venue.

Evening Lecture Series (Potluck Dinner)

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

August 2—5:30 wine and cheese, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 program. Our speaker will be Gary Brunk, Executive Director of the Kansas and Western Missouri ACLU. His topic: “The health of Civil Liberties in Kansas: an ACLU perspective.” He will be accompanied by his wife, Joey Sprague, a sociology professor at KU.

Please sign up for this event, and indicate what you will bring, on the signup sheet at Wednesday Coffee or by calling one of the organizers listed above.

Gardening

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

July 11, 18, 25—9:00 in the Music Room.

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29—Likewise.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Great Books Study

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

July 11—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. The group will have a conversation about a selection from Plato's dialogues, this time Meno. Alan Black will moderate the discussion. All are welcome.

There will be no meeting in August.

Music

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

July 11, 18, 25—Immediately following coffee, in the Music Room.

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29—Likewise.

Opera Study

Al Sellen (jnalsellen@aol.com, 841-7432) and Vic Wallace (wallace@ku.edu, 842-7930)

August 24—1:30 in the All American Room.

Operas for the next year will feature the bel canto operas of Rossini, Bellini, and Donizetti. That opera genre was one of Jim Seaver's favorites. We will see *L'italiana in Algeri*, one of Rossini's comedic masterpieces. Starring will be Marilyn Horne, "the queen of Rossini singers," according to Charles Osborne. It is the 1986 Met production by Jean-Pierre Ponnelle, conducted by a much younger James Levine.

The opera, premiered in 1813, was an immediate success and was met by "applause that thundered without pause." That for an opera written in 27 days by a composer of 21 years. The famous overture is followed by the adventures of the Italian "girl" conveniently shipwrecked in Algiers, where she has

a chance of finding her long lost love who is a slave nearby. Another task for her is to escape the desires of the Bey of Algiers who is tired of his wife and wants someone new. Isabella succeeds in both and we can enjoy the laughs as well as the beautiful music.

At intermission there will be cookies, coffee and conversation. The length of the opera is two and one-half hours.

Singing for Fun

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

July 5 and August 2—2:00 in the Music Room. Winnie Gallup will accompany us with the able help of Pat Kelly and Al Gallup. Please come. Come some familiar old and good songs!

Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA "Wednesday Coffee"

Esther Smith (842-1660)

July 11, 18, 25—10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation, coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29—Likewise.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Remembering Ev Swartz

Phyllis Sapp and Jane Sellen

July 11—2:00 after Coffee. Some of us wanted to come together to remember Ev Swartz. We have chosen July 11, after the morning coffee, for those who want to stay and share memories of Ev.

Endacott Society Membership List

Copies of the Endacott Society membership list may be obtained from Bryan Greve at the KU Alumni Association. To subscribe to our list-serve, send an e-mail to: listproc@ku.edu with

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