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May's Potluck Dinner and Lecture

It's possible that no quiz ever conducted on a university campus was as much fun as the one Diana Carlin administered to our May 16 pot luck dinner attendees. The audience members, at first relaxed from finishing a hearty and tasty dinner, were suddenly returned to their classroom days when the number 2 pencils were handed out for the professor's pop quiz. However, the quiz turned out to be both entertaining and educational as Diana used the multiple-choice questions to introduce fascinating little-known stories from her co-authored book *Remember the First Ladies: The Legacies of America's History-Making Women*. Thus, we came away from the evening engorged both academically and gastronomically. It made a memorable evening for the last potluck dinner of our 40th anniversary year. And the audience performance on the quiz? It's a good thing they were graded on a curve.

--Dave

(.....except for Kevin Boatright, who got 7 out of 10 correct!! Maybe we'll see him on a future show of Jeopardy?)

--Laurie

Juneteenth Wednesday Coffee meeting

Both the Alumni Center and the Senior Resource Center are closed on Wednesday, June 19 (Juneteenth), so the Wednesday Coffee will be held at 10:00AM in the Community Room at the Union Pacific Depot in north Lawrence. To get to the Depot cross the Massachusetts Street bridge going north and turn right at the first stoplight (Locust Street), then the first driveway on the left is the entrance to the

Depot. There is parking on the east side of the building and a few spots along the circle drive. More parking is available in the lot across Locust Street. There is a little garden with a fountain in front of the west side of the building. The entrance to our room is north of the fountain.

Note: There is no Technology Studies meeting that day, and the Coffee meeting will not be Zoomed.

--Dave

Endacott Society Annual Business Meeting

Our Annual Business Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 26. The regular coffee social meeting will be from 10:00 to 10:30 followed by the review of the Endacott Society 2023-2024 Annual Report. Please note that this meeting may run past the normal 11:00AM ending time.

Here is the agenda:

- Vote to accept minutes of last meeting
- Election of new Officers
- President's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Membership Report
- Study Groups and Committee Reports
- Final Comments
- Adjournment

--Dave

Under **Out-of-Town Travel** on page 4 you'll find a festival event in the fall to determine how much interest it generates.

Remember to notify the KU Parking Dept. of the new numbers/letters when you get your new car license plate.

Also, annual reports by Program Chairs are to be submitted to David Bushouse by June 5th.

--Laurie

June Activities & Events

Armchair Travel (Hybrid)

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

No program is scheduled for June.

Arts & Sciences Lecture Program

Kevin Boatright kboatright@ku.edu

Thursday, June 20, 1:30 p.m. @ Adams Alumni Center

Leonard "Kris" Krishtalka, Director Emeritus, KU Biodiversity Institute, and Professor Emeritus of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Kris will discuss and read from his 2024 novel, *Native Blood*, the fourth in his Harry Przewalski Mystery Series. The haunted and cerebral private detective is brought in to investigate the murder of a much-despised professor (in Spooner Hall!). The deeper Harry digs in his pursuit of justice, the more layers (and suspects) he unearths. Fans of noir fiction will enjoy the dark mood, the complex plot and the evocative language. Copies of *Native Blood* and the other Harry Przewalski novels will be available at the presentation (20% off for all four as a set), along with copies of Kris' *The Body on the Bed*, an historical fiction set in post-Civil War Lawrence.

Cinema Studies

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J. Tom Adams papawmik2004@yahoo.com

DOMESTIC MOVIE

Tuesday, June 11th, 1:30 to 4:00pm

Lawrence Public Library, Room "B"

"IKE: Countdown to D-Day" (Drama, History, War) 2004 1hr 29min

A dramatization of the 90 days leading up to Operation Overload this is the story of the senior-level preparations for the D-Day invasion of Europe on June 6, 1944 from the time of Dwight D. Eisenhower's (Tom Selleck) appointment as the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, to the establishment of the beachhead in Normandy. The film recounts many of the trials and tribulations Ike had to face, not the least of which were the many prima donnas surrounded him (Patton, Montgomery and especially, de Gaulle) and the need for tact and diplomacy to bring all sides together for what would be the largest amphibious assault ever attempted. Ike brilliantly orchestrated the most important military maneuver in modern history. Directed by Robert Harmon and written by Lionel Chetwynd this TV movie was nominated for 6 Primetime Emmys with 10 nominations total.

FOREIGN MOVIE

Friday, June 14th, 1:30 to 4:00pm

Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

"Amelie" (Comedy, Romance) 2001 2hr 2min

This movie is about a young French girl whose childhood was suppressed by her father's mistaken concerns about a heart defect. With little real-life contact with other people, Amelie resorts to her own fantasy world and dreams of love and beauty. Later as a young woman she moves to the central part of Paris and becomes a waitress. She finds a lost treasure in her apartment and returns it to the former occupant. Seeing his reaction, she decides to devote her life to helping people around her, including her father with his many personal problems while neglecting her own. Directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet and written by Guillaume Laurant and Jean-Pierre Jeunet this movie was nominated for 5 Oscars with 59 wins and 79 nominations total.

DOCUMENTARY MOVIE

Tuesday, June 25th 1:30 to 4:00pm

Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

"Grand Canyon" (Short Documentary) 1958 29min

This documentary by Walt Disney Productions presents scenes of the Grand Canyon set to Ferde Grofe's "Grand Canyon Suite" but the order of some of the music has been rearranged. Directed by James Algar this documentary won an Oscar for this breath-taking special.

Note: Other documentaries from the internet may be added and announced in the "Reminder" emails as they are identified.

Most movies are shown on the Lower Level of the Lawrence Public Library. Reminders are mailed a couple of days before each scheduled showing. Please note the **Location, Dates, Times and Rooms** as they may change based on availability. We start promptly at the times indicated but we try to open doors earlier. Parking is free on the upper level of the parking garage and an elevator is available. Elsewhere parking is free but is limited to 2 hours and you may be ticketed unless you pay before you leave the garage. Members are encouraged to bring their family and/or friends because we have room to accommodate 20 to 25 people. You may also bring snacks and drinks, but coffee, tea and snacks are provided. **PLEASE NOTE: Suggestions for movies you would like to see are always welcome. Just send us an email!**

J Tom Adams

Drama Studies

Michael Shaw michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com

Tuesdays—June 4 & 18 at 1:30pm

Community Room in Pioneer Ridge Independent Living.

Preston Fambrough will be our director, and he has this to say about the play we are reading: "In *On Baile's Strand*, Yeats reprises in a breath-taking beautiful poetry a tragic tale of mistaken identity from Ireland's legendary past." For more information about the group, you can contact me at this address above.

Games Theory

Steven swlee@ku.edu

Senior Resource Center

There will be no games theory in June. See you in July.

Garden Seminar (Hybrid)

Cal & Jo Cink ccinkbird76@gmail.com

There will be no meetings of the Garden Seminar in June and our regular schedule of the second and fourth Wednesday meetings in the month will not resume until September. Happy Travels!

Great Books (Zoom)

Jim Woelfel woelfel@ku.edu

Wednesday, June 12 at 1:30 pm.

Our readings will be three short stories by Edith Wharton (1862-1937), who with subtlety and satire portrayed the world of wealth, class, and culture during America's Gilded Age. The stories are "The Muse's Tragedy" (1899), "The Pelican" (1899), and "Xingu" (1916). They are available in an inexpensive Dover Thrift paperback, *Edith Wharton: Short Stories*, and each is also accessible in a pdf format.

Lunch Bunch

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

Wednesdays, 11:45 am. Ron will announce a local restaurant each week, or weather permitting, he may announce a picnic-style brown bag at the Weinberg Pavilion at the Rotary Arboretum, 5100 W. 27th St. Please contact Ron by email to receive his announcements.

Movement Workshop

Haskell springer@ku.edu

TBD

Senior Resource Center

Haskell is recuperating from an illness, so the resumption of Tai Chi classes in June will depend on the speed of his recovery. Here's hoping he's back on his limber legs soon.

Old-Time Radio (Zoom)

John Nicholson wryterjccc@gmail.com

Monday June 24th at 1:30pm-3:45pm (The waiting room opens at 1:15pm)

We'll start with **Mark Trail**, starring Matt Crowley as the crusading ecologist/adventurer in this juvenile adventure series. The next program will be **Nick Carter, Master Detective**. Then we'll hear all about Nick's adopted son, **Chick Carter, Boy Detective**. Finally, we'll hear an episode of **One Out of Seven** starring the well-known master of voices Jack Webb.

If this is your first time attending, please consider joining us. No reservations are necessary.

Out-of-Town Travel

Judy Niebaum jniebaum@sunflower.com

The out-of-town travel group has no summer programs scheduled and will be on hiatus until the Fall semester.

Judy and Dave are planning to attend the internationally renowned Walnut Valley music festival in Winfield September 20-22. If there is enough interest from Endacott members we can try to coordinate a group venture.

Basic Information

- **Festival dates:** September 18-22
- **Transportation:** Volunteer drivers
- **Tickets:** \$80 for one day, \$110-\$110 for two days, and \$125 for the entire festival. After September 13 ticket prices increase by about \$20.
- **Lodging:** There is not a hotel or motel that would accommodate even a small group, so attendees would need to make their own lodging arrangements. Winfield has very little motel space, and what there is tends to be snapped up months in advance. Ark City is 15 miles south of Winfield and may still have some rooms available as would Wellington, 23 miles southwest of Winfield. Closer to Wichita will no doubt have better availability, but that is a 40-50 mile trip.

If you are interested in joining Judy Niebaum and Dave Marden in attending the festival, contact Judy at (360) 953-2240.

For more information about the festival, including ticket information and the list of musicians performing, see wvfest.com.

Potluck Dinner & Lecture

Linda Mullens lmullens@ku.edu

No potluck dinner scheduled for June.

Technology Studies (Hybrid)

Dave Mannering dmannering@yahoo.com

Wednesday, June 5, 9:00 am, Adams Alumni Center

Technologies and Online Resources for Travel with a Mobility Impairment - Richard Kershenbaum & Jennifer Lattimore

No Technology Studies on June 19 (Juneteenth)

Wednesday Coffee (Hybrid)

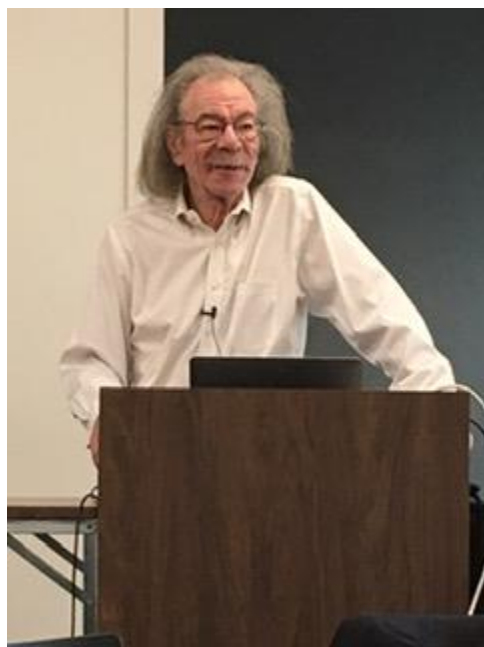
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Wednesday, June 5, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

Wednesday, June 12, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

Wednesday, June 19, 10:00 AM, **Union Station Depot in N. Lawrence** – Birthday Cake (not Zoomed)

Wednesday, June 26, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center - **Annual Business Meeting**



Leonard "Kris" Krishtalka giving a talk on Quantum Biology.



Diana Carlin presenting the history of President's wives at Potluck.