



July/August 2024

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News summary:

Barring an unforeseen coup at the annual meeting, I look forward to serving during the coming year as president of KU's Endacott Society for retirees. I have the benefit of following successive presidents (Jo and Cal Cink, Omofolabo Ajayi-Soyinka, MaryKay Mahoney and Dave Mannering— twice!) who steered our organization through five very challenging years. Highlights included the global pandemic, the renovation of the Adams Alumni Center, a new relationship with the KU Alumni Association, and the 40th anniversary of our founding. 2024-25 will have its own set of challenges, no doubt, but I'm hopeful the fun will far exceed the difficulties. I begin my term with a focus on the mission of the Society. The purpose, as defined by our bylaws, is "to provide a program of activities that enables the members to continue their professional relationships with the University of Kansas and to participate in the service, educational and social opportunities of the Endacott Society." The question I encourage each of us to ask, in everything we do, is "how does this or that program serve both the Society and the university as a whole?" One of the strengths of the Society is the fact we have so many different active groups, with members who have a wide variety of backgrounds and interests. If you can't find something that attracts you, feel free to talk to me about organizing a new group and invite others to join. I emphasize the words "group" and "invite" and "join." I became connected to the Society even before I retired in 2016. The late Shirley Phillips, who I knew through a book club, invited me to attend a showing of an Orson Welles film, The Magnificent

Ambersons. That simple and generous act of outreach is what made me aware of the Society and willing to join when I reached my personal "Stop Day" at KU. I would ask each of us to follow her example by inviting colleagues and friends to an Endacott-related event. At the same time, be a welcoming friend to all newcomers (as well as all the old-timers)!

--Kevin Boatright
'24-'25 President

Thank you, Dave Mannering, for accepting a second term when the President-elect unexpectedly passed away. Your dedication and commitment to keeping the programs up and running is commendable. Thanks also for your quick wit and humor. Now Linda can have her husband back.

--Laurie

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Our wonderful Care Correspondent, Carolyn Madaus, is stepping down, and her position needs a new volunteer. The job includes sending a variety of cards to those who have Birthdays, and appreciate cards of Sympathy, Get Well, Thinking of You, Anniversary, Thank you, and Christmas. All cards are donated by the members. Postage is reimbursed. Please contact Kevin if interested—kboatright@ku.edu

--Laurie

July & August Activities & Events

Armchair Travel (Hybrid)

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

No programs scheduled for July & August.

Arts & Sciences Lecture Program

Kevin Boatright kboatright@ku.edu

No programs scheduled for July & August.

Cinema Studies

Nora Clark nora.clark@washburn.edu
J. Tom Adams papawmik2004@yahoo.com

DOMESTIC MOVIE

Tuesday, **JULY 23rd, 1:30 to 4:00pm**
Lawrence Public Library, **Room "B"**

"The Crucible" (Drama, History) 1996, 2hr 6min

After married man John Proctor decides to break off his affair with his young lover, Abigail Williams, she leads other local girls in an occult rite to wish death upon his wife, Elizabeth. When the ritual is discovered, the girls are brought to trial. Accusations begin to fly, and a literal witch hunt gets underway. Before long, Elizabeth is suspected of witchcraft, and John's attempt to defend her only makes matters worse.

Directed by Nicholas Hytner the movie won BAFTA Award for Best Supporting Actor (Paul Scofield) and Critics' Choice Movie Award for Best Supporting Actress (Joan Allen).

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Tuesday, **AUGUST 13th, 1:30 to 4:00pm**  
Lawrence Public Library, **Room "C"**

*(An email will be sent when a movie has been selected.)*

#### FOREIGN MOVIE

Friday, **JULY 19th, 1:30 to 4:00pm**  
Lawrence Public Library, **Room "C"**

**"The Scarlet Pimpernel"** (Action, Drama) 1982, 2hr 22min

After France became a republic in 1792, aristocrats were guillotined. The English Sir Percy tries to save as many as he can as the Scarlet Pimpernel in disguises.

Directed by Clive Donner and written by William Bast (teleplay and Baroness Emmuska Orczy the movie won the Emmy for Outstanding Costume Design for a Limited Series.

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Friday, **AUGUST 23rd, 1:30 to 4:00pm**
Lawrence Public Library, **Room "C"**

(An email will be sent when a movie has been selected.)

DOCUMENTARY MOVIE

Tuesday, **JULY 9th, 2:30 to 5:00pm** (*Note the new time*)
Lawrence Public Library, **Room "B"**

"Thomas Jefferson" (Biography, Documentary, History) PBS Mini Series, Part 1, 1997, 1hr 27min

The paradox of Thomas Jefferson, a Renaissance Man turned Founding Father and ambassador to Revolutionary France, and a plantation owner who argued that the matter of abolition should be left to future generations.

With a cast of Ossie Davis(Narrator), Joseph Ellis(Self-Historian), John Hope Franklin(Self), and Gwyneth Paltrow(Jefferson's wife)This two part miniseries, directed by Ken Burns and written by Geoffrey C. Ward, was first shown in 1997.

Please note that the *Location, Dates, Times and Rooms* may change based on availability. We start the movies promptly at the times indicated but try to get doors open earlier. Members are encouraged to bring your family 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
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Tuesday, **AUGUST 27th, 1:30 to 4:00pm**  
Lawrence Public Library, **Room "C"**

*(An email will be sent when a movie has been selected.)*

## Drama Studies

Michael Shaw [michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com](mailto:michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com)

Tuesdays—**JULY 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16th at 1:30pm**  
**Community Room in Pioneer Ridge Independent Living.**

Our play will be "Lost in Yonkers." Our leader will be Kevin and he has this to say about the play: "Lost in Yonkers," by Neil Simon, is set in Brooklyn in 1942, where two teenage boys unwillingly move in with their mean grandmother and loony aunt. And then their gangster uncle shows up while hiding out from the mob. The play received the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1991."

## Games Theory

Steven [swlee@ku.edu](mailto:swlee@ku.edu)

Thursday, **JULY 18th at 1:30pm**  
**Senior Resource Center**

Who knows what's going to come out of your teammate's mouth? The Hearing Things game has you guessing what you think your teammate is saying by reading their lips. Please join us for "hearing things" in the Senior Resource Center. Treats provided!

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Games Theory Continued:

Thursday, **AUGUST 15th at 1:30pm**
Senior Resource Center

We will team up with a mystery song challenge. It might be movie themes, TV themes, commercial jingles, Casey Kasem's top 40's, or 16th century German music (not really). Please join us. Treats provided.

Garden Seminar (Hybrid)

Cal & Jo Cink ccinkbird76@gmail.com

No programs scheduled for July & August.

Great Books (Zoom)

Jim Woelfel woelfel@ku.edu

Wednesday, **JULY 10th at 1:30 pm**

Our author of the month will be the Canadian writer Alice Munro, who died on May 13 at the age of 92. Munro devoted her authorship entirely to short stories and is recognized as one of the preeminent writers in that genre. The recipient of many national and international literary honors, she was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2013. Our stories for July will be "Comfort" and "Nettles," from her 2003 short story collection *Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship, Marriage*. The stories are also available online in pdf format.

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Wednesday, **AUGUST 14, at 1:30 pm**. The author and reading will be announced in July to those on the email list or you can contact Jim.

**Lunch Bunch**

*Ron Schorr* [rwwschorr@gmail.com](mailto: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* [springer@ku.edu](mailto:springer@ku.edu)

Tai Chi practice is still on hiatus because of Haskell's recuperation. Resumption date unknown at this point.

Regretfully,  
Haskell Springer  
(*We're all thinking of you*)

**Old-Time Radio (Zoom)**

*John Nicholson [wryterjccc@gmail.co](mailto:wryterjccc@gmail.co)*

Monday, **JULY 29th at 1:30pm-3:45pm** (Note: the FIFTH Monday).

We'll listen to **Mark Trail** (put off from last month). Then we'll hear another **Suspense**. Finally, we'll hear an episode of **Behind the Mike**.

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Monday, **AUGUST 26th at 1:30pm-3:45pm**

We'll listen to episodes of Gangbusters, X Minus One, and The Screen Guild Players.

The waiting room opens at 1:15, with the program beginning at 1:30. If this is your first time attending, please consider joining us. No reservations are necessary.

Out-of-Town Travel

Judy Niebaum jniebaum@sunflower.com

Dave Marden mardendl@gmail.com

No outings scheduled.

Potluck Dinner & Lecture

Linda Mullens lmullens@ku.edu

No potluck dinners planned for the summer.

Technology Studies (Hybrid)

Dave Mannering dmannering@yahoo.com

No programs scheduled for July & August

Wednesday Coffee (Hybrid)

Kevin Boatright kboatright@ku.edu

- Wednesday, **July 3**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center
- Wednesday, **July 10**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center
- Wednesday, **July 17**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center – Birthday Cake
- Wednesday, **July 24**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center
- Wednesday, **July 31**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

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- Wednesday, **August 7**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center
- Wednesday, **August 14**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center
- Wednesday, **August 21**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center – Birthday Cake
- Wednesday, **August 28**, 10:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center