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Welcome back to a new year at the Endacott Society. The September newsletter features a host of fun and educational activities for members, and those who'd like to become members. Information about joining Endacott is available online.

On July 25, I met with Heath Peterson, President of the KU Alumni Association (KUAA), in my new role as Endacott President. We resumed operations in the beautifully renovated Center a little more than a year ago, a year in which a new Memorandum of Understanding has been in place between Endacott and KUAA. The meeting gave us a chance to review how things are going, and to affirm the positive relationship we've enjoyed for the past 40+ years. That meeting reminded me that the KUAA mission statement also embraces Endacott: "We build lifelong relationships that strengthen the University of Kansas and the legacy of excellence embodied by its students, alumni, faculty, staff and friends." KU's retirees certainly embody its "legacy of excellence," and Endacott is a model of "lifelong relationships" that strengthen the university. Let's keep that up in 2024-25!

---Kevin

Congratulations to Lindy Eakin, who was chosen President-elect for 2024-25 at the annual business meeting in June.

Also, many thanks to Jo Cink for taking over for Carolyn Madaus to become the new Care Correspondent.

SAVE THE DATES:

Out-of-Town Travel: October 11, 2024 Delight in one or two fun museums--National Museum of Toys/ Miniatures and Rabbit Hole Museum. Additional info to come. (See pg. 4 below)

Potluck and lecture: October 10, 2024 More information and invitation to follow closer to the date. (See pg. 4 below)

News:

An unfortunate fire on Aug. 19 at Brandon Woods displaced our member, Sandra Wiechert, as her apartment sustained heavy damage. She initially stayed with her daughter in Overland Park, but is currently staying with friends in Lawrence until she can move into another apartment, which hopefully will be next week. She'll have the same address, but the apartment number will now be #131.

--Laurie

September Activities & Events

Armchair Travel (Hybrid) Thursday, September 12th, (1:30-3 p.m.) Adams Alumni Center Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

Omofolabo Ajayi-Soyinka will give a presentation on her native country of Nigeria.

Arts & Sciences Lecture Program

Kevin Boatright <u>kboatright@ku.edu</u>

No program scheduled for September.

Cinema Studies

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DOMESTIC MOVIE Tuesday, September 10th, 1:30 to 4:00pm Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

"The Quiet American" (Political Thriller, Drama) 2002, 1hr 41min.

A stylish political thriller where love and war collide in Southeast Asia. Set in early 1950s Vietnam, a young American, Pyle, played by Brendan Fraser, becomes entangled in a dangerous love triangle when he falls for Phuong, the beautiful mistress of Fowler, a British journalist, played by Michael Caine. As war is waged around them, these three only sink deeper into a world of drugs, passion, and betrayal where nothing is as it seems. Directed by Philip Noyce and written by Graham Greene (novel) and Christopher Hampton (screenplay), the movie was Oscar nominee for Best Actor in a Leading Roll and received 13 wins and 14 nominations for other awards.

FOREIGN MOVIE

Friday, September 20th, 1:30 to 4:00pm Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

"Two Weeks in September" (Drama. Romance) 1967 1hr 36min

This movie is about a young, beautiful French woman, Cecile, who is married to a much older Englishman. She loves her husband and seems content with her life until she meets a younger man and feels forgotten passions stirring within her. With September as a backdrop, the film explores themes of infidelity, passion, and the ephemeral nature of relationships, making it a prime example of how the word September contributes to a compelling narrative. September serves as a reminder that life is constantly changing and personal growth is necessary even when it comes with pain. Directed and written by Serge Bourguignon and adapted for screen by four others.

DOCUMENTARY MOVIE Tuesday, September 24th 1:30 to 4:00pm Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

"On the Basis of Sex" (Biography, Docudrama) 2018, 2hrs

The true story of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, played by Felicity Jones, her struggles for equal rights, and the early cases of a historic career that lead to her nomination and confirmation as U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice. Directed by Mimi Leder and written by Daniel Stiepleman, this movie was awarded 4 wins and 12 nominations.

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! You might want to bring an extra sweater or wrap due to the efficient air conditioning during hot weather.

 Drama Studies
 Michael Shaw michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com

 Tuesdays—September 3rd & 17th at 1:30pm

 ART ROOM in Pioneer Ridge Independent Living.

We will be reading and discussing *"Master Harold...and the Boys"* by Athol Fugard. The play is set in South Africa in the years of apartheid, which ended in the early 1990's. However, it is not just the political situation that makes the play interesting. We have to decide how much the boy, Hally, is helped and hindered by that situation. Please join us. We welcome new members.

Games Theory

Steven swlee@ku.ed

Thursday, September 19th at 1:30pm Senior Resource Center—Garden room

Last Word. Do you always want to have the last word in a conversation? Well, you'll get your chance when we play Last Word with friends. Please join us. Treats provided.

<u>Garden Seminar (Hybrid)</u> Wednesday, September 11th at 9:00am, Adams Alumni Center, Paul Adam Room

A Visit to Princess of Wales Conservatory at Kew Garden.

Wednesday, September 25th at 9:00am, Adam's Alumni Center, Paul Adam Room

What Bird is Singing in My Garden? Great Books (Zoom)

Wednesday, September 11 at 1:30 pm.

Our author will be Edna O'Brien, one of the leading Irish writers of our time, who died on July 27 at 93. She was a novelist, short story writer, and biographer. We'll be reading and discussing three of her short stories: "Inner Cowboy," "Green Georgette," and "My Two Mothers."

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

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Friday, September 6th at 9am Senior Resource Center

With the "spring" back in his step, Haskell's Tai Chi sessions will resume at the Lawrence Senior Resource Center.

Old-Time Radio (Zoom)

John Nicholson wryterjccc@gmail.co

Monday, September 30th at 1:30pm (The waiting room opens at 1:15pm)

Please note that this is the **<u>FIFTH</u>** Monday of the month. Everyone is invited and no reservations are needed. This is a Zoom only meeting.

We'll begin with the adventure and environmental series, Mark Trail. Next, we'll listen to the O.Henry Playhouse. Finally, we'll listen to Pete Kelly's Blues, another Jack Webb series featuring Webb as a Kansas City Jazz musician who solves mysteries when he's not tooting his coronet.

Out-of-Town Travel

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The next Endacott day trip will be *Friday, October 11*. Our destination will be two museums in Kansas City, MO - the National Museum of Toys and Miniatures (10:30am) and the Rabbit Hole Museum (1:30pm) dedicated to exploring children's literature classics.

Registration information for the supper and the day trip will be available soon. Please plan to attend.

Potluck Dinner & Lecture

Linda Mullens<u>Imullens@ku.edu</u>The next

Potluck dinner will be **Thursday**, *October 10*– 5:30 pm appetizers, 6:00pm dinner, 6:45pm program. The featured speaker will be Dr. Arash Mafi, who came to KU in March 2023 as Executive Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Technology Studies

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Wednesday, September 4th at 9:00 am, Adams Alumni Center

What the Heck Is This? - Our annual test to see if you can identify mysterious technology

Wednesday, September 18, 9:00 am, Adams Alumni Center

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

Note, these sessions will not be Zoomed.

Wednesday Coffee

Kevin Boatright <u>kboatright@ku.edu</u>

Wednesday, September 4, 10:00 am--Adams Alumni Center Wednesday, September 11, 10:00 am-- Senior Resource Center Wednesday, September 18, 10:00 am, Adams Alumni Center—Birthday cake Wednesday, September 25, 10:00 am--Adams Alumni Center



Attendees at the June Annual Business meeting. *Photo courtesy of Kevin Boatright.*