



November 2025

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We had a wonderful Potluck dinner on October 23, with guest speaker Mary Burchill discussing her book about Elizabeth Watkins, "The Life and Legacy of Elizabeth Miller Watkins – A Pioneering Philanthropist." Elizabeth Watkins' legacy on the KU campus is amazing and still going strong after 100 years.



Lindy Eakin & Mary Burchill

We have several programs in November: Endacott ReMembers on November 6, an armchair travel session on November 13, and an Arts & Sciences lecture on Thursday, November 20. All events are at 1:30 pm in the Paul Adams Lounge. I hope you are enjoying the fall weather that has finally arrived and had an appropriately spooky Halloween.

Oral History Project:

The Endacott Society's Oral History Project documents the experiences of retired KU Faculty and Staff. Endacott Society members interview retirees asking them about their life stories and experiences, from childhood to retirement, with special emphasis on their careers at KU. If you have not read any of these Oral Histories, I would recommend that you do. We have over 600 interviews, so there is surely one would interest you. The process of interviewing retirees about their life stories is fascinating in itself. We are looking for new volunteers to conduct interviews. If you are only interested in interviewing people, we have others who will convert the audio file into a transcript. Or if you are willing, we can produce a first draft transcript from the audio file that you would edit, and work with the interviewee to produce a final transcript. If you are interested in any aspect of the Oral History Project and would be willing to join the team, or if you have any questions about the project and what it entails, please contact me. I would be happy to visit with you and share more detail. This is an important project, since the oral histories become part of the University Archives, and are available to researchers who are interested in the history of KU.

Thanks. Lindy Eakin – wlineak@gmail.com or 7785 766 8838.

Special event: Endacott ReMembers

November 6th, 1:30 - 3:00, Alumni Center.

This event is an opportunity to remember and share stories of our Endacott friends, colleagues, and loved ones we have lost. Please join us to celebrate their lives.

November Activities & Events

Armchair Travel

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

Tuesday, November 13th at 1:30pm-- Adams Alumni Center

"A Pacific Odyssey". Ron Schorr and Georgann Eglinski's recent 25-day cruise from Vancouver BC, Alaskan coastal ports, and on to Japan. Ron will share photos and interesting facts.

Arts & Sciences Lecture Program

Kevin Boatright kboatright@ku.edu

Thursday, November 20th at 1:30 p.m. --Adams Alumni Center, Adam Room

Elizabeth Cox, an assistant professor in KU's William Allen White School of Journalism and Mass Communications, conducts research and teaches on a subject that many Jayhawks and Chiefs followers can relate to: sports teams and the fans who love them (sometimes obsessively). Her particular focus is the use of Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) partnerships as a vehicle to strengthen relationships between teams and their fan bases. "My work explores the intersection of public relations and sports communication to evaluate fan-team relationships and the strategic communication that cultivates them."

Cinema Studies

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DOMESTIC MOVIES:

Tuesday, November 11th at 1:30 to 4:00pm

Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

The Sting (1973) (Caper, Comedy, Crime, Drama) 2hrs 9min. In remembrance of the passing of Robert Redford, movie actor.

The Sting — Directed by George Roy Hill and starring Paul Newman and Robert Redford, this Depression-era caper follows two con men plotting an elaborate swindle against a mob boss (Robert Shaw). With its clever twists, stylish 1930s setting, and Marvin Hamlisch's Oscar-winning ragtime score (The Entertainer), the film became a cultural touchstone.

This movie won 7 Academy Awards, including Best Picture, Best Director, and Best Original Screenplay, and remains one of the most entertaining and celebrated heist films ever made. *

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

Lawrence Public Library, Room "C"

The Old Oak (2023) (Drama) 1hr 53min. Subject: Immigration. Tagline: It's not where you're from, it's what you bring!

The Old Oak — Directed by Ken Loach and written by Paul Laverty, this movie follows TJ Ballantyne (Dave Turner), the weary owner of the last pub in a struggling northern England mining town. When Syrian refugees arrive, tensions erupt — until an unlikely friendship between TJ and Yara (Ebla Mari) sparks a fragile hope for unity. With Loach's signature for realism and compassion, The Old Oak becomes a powerful story about community, prejudice, and the simple courage to care. Thoughtful, human, and deeply timely, it's a fitting final film from one of cinema's greatest social storytellers.

This movie was BAFTA Film Award Nominee (2024) for Outstanding British Film of the Year and was Audience Award Winner and Audience Choice Award Winner for Best Film (2023) from several organizations.

*Movie descriptions provided by ChatGPT.

Drama Studies

Michael Shaw michaelhearneshaw@gmail.com

Tuesdays, November 4th & 18th at 1:30pm

ART ROOM at Pioneer Ridge Independent Living.

We will read August Wilson's *Fences*. Our host, Ginny Fambrough says this about the play: "August Wilson's Pulitzer Prize-winning "Fences," one of the author's plays focusing on the decades of African American experience in the USA in the twentieth century, explores a man's inability to escape from the power of memory and the painful conflict between him and his son."

Games Theory

Steven Lee swlee@ku.edu

Thursday, November 20th at 1:30pm

Senior Resource Center in the Garden room

We will be playing Apples to Apples where players match noun cards to an adjective card played by a judge, with the goal of winning a pre-determined number of rounds by creating the most amusing or fitting pairing. The result is hilarious combinations and tons of fun for participants. Please join us.

Garden Seminar

Cal & Jo Cink ccinkbird76@gmail.com

Wednesday, November 12th at 9:00 am, Adams Alumni Center—*Audubon Photography Award Winners*

Wednesday, November 26th at 9:00 am, Adams Alumni Center ---- *Successful Community Garden Spaces*

Great Books (Zoom)

Jim Woelfel woelfel@ku.edu

Wednesday, November 12, at 1:30 pm.

Our book of the month will be Muriel Spark's 1961 novel *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*. Muriel Spark (1918-2006) was a major British fiction writer of the 20th century, and *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* is her best-known novel. The September 5th *Times Literary Supplement* featured reviews of a new biography of Spark and the first volume of her letters. *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* tells the story of a flamboyant and charismatic teacher at a private girls' school in Edinburgh in the 1930s, and the six girls who become the "Brodie set." Miss Brodie believes she is "in her prime" and actively seeks to mould each of the girls: "Give me a girl at an impressionable age, and she is mine for life." She promotes art history, classical studies, and fascism, and involves the girls in her love life. Things become increasingly complicated, and the headmistress, Miss MacKay, dogs Miss Brodie's steps trying to find sufficient evidence to fire her. The excellent 1969 film adaptation starred a young Maggie Smith in an Oscar-winning performance.

The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie is available as an inexpensive Harper Perennial Olive Edition. There are other editions; just be sure you don't get one with eyestrain-size small print. Happy reading, and happy autumn!

Lunch Bunch

Wednesdays, 11:45 am.

Ron Schorr rwwschorr@gmail.com

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. or another location. Please contact Ron by email to receive his announcements.

Movement Workshop

Fridays, November 7th, 14th, 21st,
Senior Resource Center

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Except for November 28, the Tai Chi group will meet every Friday at 9 as usual.

Old-Time Radio (Zoom)

Monday, November 24th at 1:30pm-3:45pm

John Nicholson wryterjccc@gmail.com

Join us for the next meeting of the Old-Time Radio listening group. We will listen to **Candy Matson, Fibber McGee and Molly**, and **This is Your FBI**. 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

No travel adventures for November.

Potluck Dinner & Lecture

Linda Mullens lmullens@ku.edu

No potluck scheduled for November.

Technology Studies

Dave Mannering dmannering@yahoo.com

Wednesday, November 5, 9:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

Hyperscale Data Centers - Where they are, what they do and the problems they cause.

Wednesday, November 19, 9:00 AM, Adams Alumni Center

Can Computers Replace Musicians? - An introduction to MIDI (Jack Horner).

Wednesday Coffee

Lindy Eakin wlineak@gmail.com

Wednesday, November 5, 10:00 a.m. – Adams Alumni Center

Wednesday, November 12, 10:00 a.m. – Adams Alumni Center

Wednesday, November 19 10:00 a.m. – Adams Alumni Center – Birthday Cake

Wednesday, November 26, 10:00 a.m. – Adams Alumni Center

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The “enlightened” group at the Museum of Art & Light in Manhattan, hosted by Judy & Dave.
Photos courtesy of Judy & Dave.