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# RopeWalk Writers Retreat slated June 11 - 17 in Historic New Harmony

The 12th annual RopeWalk Writers Retreat is scheduled for Sunday, June 11, to Saturday, June 17. It will be held in Historic New Harmony, which provides an ideal setting with its retreat-like atmosphere and its history of creative and intellectual achievement. "RopeWalk participants are encouraged to write, not simply listen to others talk about writing, during the week, " said **Dr. Thomas Wilhelmus**, one of the founders of the retreat. In addition, several writers will give lectures, open to all participants, on aspects of the writing craft. RopeWalk Writers Retreat is a program of USI.

Faculty for the 2000 RopeWalk Writers Retreat are Ms. Heather McHugh and Mr. Robert Wrigley in poetry; Mr. Stephen Dobyns and Ms. Victoria Redel in fiction; and Ms. Kim Barnes in creative nonfiction. Special guest reader is fiction writer Mr. Jared Carter; scholar and writer Mr. Nikolai Popov will be a guest lecturer.

# Poetry faculty



Ms. McHugh is a core faculty member of the M.F.A. program for writers at Warren Wilson College. She has been Milliman Distinguished Writer-in-Residence at the University of Washington in Seattle two thirds of every year since 1984. Between visits to RopeWalk—this is her sixth—McHugh writes books of poetry including *Shades*, *Dangers*, and *Hinge and Sign*: Poems 1968-1993 and essays, most recently *Broken English: Poetry and Partiality*. Her poetry has also been featured on National Public Radio's "All Things Considered." McHugh's work can be sampled on

the Academy of American Poets website www.poets.org/lit/poet/hmchufst.htm.

Mr. Wrigley has published five books of poetry: The Sinking of Clay City; Moon in a Mason Jar; What My Father Believed; In the Bank of Beautiful Sins; and, most recently, Reign of Snakes. He is the recipient of two National Endowment of the Arts Fellowships, the J. Howard and Barbara M. J. Wood Prize, the Frederick Bock Prize, the Wagner Award from the Poetry Society of America, and two Pushcart Prizes. Wrigley is the 1997 recipient of the Theodore Roethke Award from Poetry Northwest and received a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1996. He is a professor of



English at the University of Idaho where he teaches in the creative writing program. This is Wrigley's first visit to RopeWalk.

#### Fiction faculty



Mr. Dobyns is the author of 10 books of poems, 20 novels, and a book of essays on poetry: Best Words, Best Order. His latest book of poetry is Pallbearers Envying the One Who Rides, published in 1999; his most recent novel is Boy in the Water, also published in 1999. His 1997 novel, The Church of Dead Girls, was a New York Times bestseller. Dobyns is the recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship and three National Endowment for the Arts Fellowships. He is a guest writer for the San Diego Weekly Reader and has taught at the University of New Hampshire, the University

of Iowa, Boston University, and Brandeis. He returns to RopeWalk for his fifth visit.

# Carthal Jordan to retire after 10 years at USI

Ms. Carthal Jordan, custodial worker, will retire at the end of this month after 10 years employment at USI. Ms. Jordan chose a dinner with her co-workers at 6 p.m. on Friday, March 31, in lieu of a



campus-wide reception. Mr. Stephen Helfrich, director of Facilities, Operations, and Planning, will host the dinner.

Ms. Jordan started working at USI in the Wright Administration Building in 1990. She transferred to the Orr Center lower level in 1991 when the center opened.

"Carty has been a dedicated employee whose quality work and friendly manner will be missed by all those who have had the pleasure of knowing her over the years. A person of quiet demeanor and strong family values, the University joins in wishing Carty all the rewards of a long, happy and well-deserved retirement," said Mr. Donald Broshears, Custodial Services supervisor.

Ms. Jordan has worked in the same department since first coming to USI. Ms. Jordan said, "USI has been a nice place to work. I have met many wonderful students and staff. Some of the people I've met here, I'll always treasure. I have a lot of memories to carry with me."

A volunteer in the soup kitchen at First Presbyterian Church, Ms. Jordan expects to spend more volunteer time there in retirement. She also plans to visit relatives in the Washington, D.C. area. "I have 17 grand-children ages four to 27. I'll find plenty to do," she said.



Ms. Redel received a B.A. from Dartmouth College and an M.F.A. from Columbia University. Her first collection of poetry *Already the World* received the Tom and Stan Wick award. Redel's second publication was a collection of short stories titled *Where the Road Bottoms Out.* She teaches creative writing at Sarah Lawrence College and Vermont College. This, Redel's first visit to RopeWalk, follows a very successful appearance in the RopeWalk

Reading Series on the USI campus. She will work with both shorter and book-length fiction at RopeWalk.

Ms. Barnes' memoir *In the Wilderness: Coming of Age in Unknown Country* was published in 1996. It won awards from PEN, the Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association, and was nominated for the 1997 Pulitzer Prize in Biography/Autobiography. A second memoir, *Hungry for the World*, will be published by Villard/Random House in 2000. Her work has appeared in anthologies including *The Georgia Review* and *Shenandoah*. Barnes was also



co-editor, with Mary Clearman Blew, of Circle of Women, an anthology of contemporary women writers. This is her first visit to RopeWalk.



Mr. Carter is the first reader in a planned series of RopeWalk appearances by Hoosier artists. His first collection of poems, *Work, for the Night is Coming,* won the Walt Whitman Award for 1980. His second, *After the Rain,* received the Poets' Prize for 1995. His most recent book, *Les Barricades Mysterieuses*, a sequence of villanelles, was published in 1999 by the Cleveland State University Poetry Center. In addition Carter has published

seven chapbooks of poems, including *Pincushion's Strawberry* and *Situation Normal*. His work has appeared in such magazines as *Poetry, The New Yorker, The Nation, TriQuarterly,* and *The Iowa Review*. Carter was a recipient of the Indiana Governor's Arts Award in 1985 and has twice served as writer-in-residence at Purdue University. His fellowships include grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. Two Evansville-based literary magazines, *The Reaper,* during the 1980s, and *The Formalist,* during the 1990s, published his poems.

Mr. Popov is a Joyce Scholar who teaches Comparative Literature and English at the University of Washington in Seattle. Popov has translated many of the modern Anglo-Irish and European classics and is currently finishing a translation of Paul Celan's poetry for publication by Wesleyan Press. He will present a craft lecture during RopeWalk.



RopeWalk has been assisted over the past 12 years by grants from Mrs. Ruth Lilly, Susan R. Enlow, the Indiana Arts Commission, the Blaffer Trust, the Witter-Bynner Foundation, the USI Society for Arts and Humanities, and the support and assistance of Historic New Harmony, an outreach program of USI.

Workshops and lectures are held at various facilities, including the New Harmony Inn and the Wheatcroft Guest House, which also serves as conference headquarters.

Tuition for RopeWalk Writers Retreat is \$435, including workshops, individual conference, readings, receptions, and several meals. There is a 10 percent discount for Indiana residents. Those who wish to enroll in a second workshop may do so for an additional \$200 (no Indiana discount). A nonrefundable registration fee of \$100 is due by May 3.

A limited number of full and partial scholarships are available based on merit. The scholarship application deadline is April 15; winners will be notified May 5. To apply, send a letter of application with relevant biographical information and a writing sample—maximum of three poems or 20 pages of fiction or creative nonfiction to RopeWalk Scholarship, University of Southern Indiana, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712.

### Names in the News

Dr. Raymond Leung, assistant professor of physical education, will present "Effect of Intradialytic Exercise on Urea Kinetics" at the 47th Annual Meeting of the American College of Sports Medicine at the Indiana State Convention Center and RCA Dome in Indianapolis, on June 1. The abstract will be published in Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise, Volume 32:5 Supplement.

Ms. Julie McCullough, instructor in the School of Nursing and Health Professions, has received an IPSE Course Development grant of \$9,718 from the Indiana Higher Education Telecommunication System to develop an Internet course on nutrition.

Ms. Carolyn Roth, special part-time instructor in art, is exhibiting her brush and ink drawing "Lambing Time" in the International Exhibition on Animals in Art at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, from March 18 through April 14.

Dr. Munir Quddus, professor of economics, was elected vice president and program chair of the Midwest Business Economics Association. He attended the 36th annual meeting and presented "Business and Economic Development Issues" and "Bureaucratic Corruption and Business Ethics: The Case of Garment Exports from Bangladesh." Dr. Quddus also participated in the panel discussion "The Role of the World Bank and the IMF in Third World Development."

# In sympathy:

The University community extends sympathy to Ms. Sylvia Wettmarshausen, manager in Employment and Employee Relations, in the death of her mother Rose Mary DeVault on Friday, March 10.

### Welcome:

Mr. Jerry Green has accepted the position of computer programmer in the Computer Center. He was a computer programmer at Alltel Corporation for five years; Civitas Bank for 18 years. Mr. Green resides in Henderson with wife Linda.



## Kenneth Sendelweck is featured Executive-in-Residence



Mr. Kenneth L. Sendelweck, president and chief executive officer of German American Bank in Jasper and a 1976 graduate of USI, will present the spring Executive-in-Residence lecture for the USI School of Business. His topic will be "Financial Services in the New Millennium...Community Style?"

The lecture will be held at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 29, in Carter Hall, University

Center. The lecture is free and open to the public. Mr. Sendelwick will meet with business students, faculty, and administrators in other sessions throughout the day.

Mr. Sendelweck began his career in 1976 in administrative sales at Kimball International, Inc. He was promoted to various positions including executive vice president. In May 1999, Mr. Sendelweck accepted the position of president and chief executive officer of German American Bank. He also serves as senior consultant for German American Bancorp.

A Jasper community leader, Mr. Sendelweck serves on the board of directors for City of Jasper Municipal Utilities as well as for USI Foundation and Diocese of Evansville Foundation. A member of USI Alumni Association, he was recipient of the 1997 Distinguished Alumni Award. He is a member of USI Board of Visitors, USI Accounting Circle, Jasper Kiwanis, and serves as chair for the Dubois County Heart Association "Family Heart Walk 2000."

# Carnegie Mellon faculty to exhibit their work at New Harmony Gallery

Two Carnegie Mellon University art faculty, Ms. Patrician Bellan-Gillen and Ms. Susanne Slavick, will exhibit their work at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art from Saturday, March 25, through Saturday, May 6. A free public reception will be held for the artists from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 25.

Ms. Bellan-Gillen's work in the exhibition will include oil paintings that incorporate human or animal forms set against nearly empty backgrounds. From miniature format to very large canvas, her paintings include provocative cultural and religious symbolism. Ms. Bellan-Gillen's work has been exhibited in Artemesia Gallery in Chicago, University Art Gallery at New Mexico State University, and Oregon State University.

In conjunction with this exhibition, Ms. Bellan-Gillen will hold a slide lecture at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, in Kleymeyer Hall, Liberal Arts Center, as the third of four visiting artists sponsored by the Department of Art and Music. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Ms. Slavick will exhibit paintings and works on paper combining abstraction with occasional figurative elements to investigate relationships. She was Acadia artist in-residence at Mt. Desert Island, Maine, and won a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship in painting. Ms. Slavick's work has been exhibited at Laura Mesaros Gallery at West Virginia University; the Rose Lehrman Arts Center in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; and Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio.

The exhibition is possible through the support of USI and the Indiana Arts Commission.

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# Teaching faculty:

Announce in your classes that early registration for summer and fall 2000 semesters will be held Monday, April 3 - Friday, April 14. The date and time individual students are eligible to register is listed in the Schedule of Classes or available online at www.usi.edu/schedules.htm. Encourage your students to register early.

### Honors week:

Honors Week will be held Monday, March 20 through Thursday, March 23. Students in each academic school will be recognized for academic achievements. Sessions will be held in Mitchell Auditorium.

Monday, March 20 - Bower-Suhrheinrich School Education and Human Services, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21 - School of Liberal Arts, 4 p.m., Wednesday, March 22 - School of Nursing and Health Professions, 4 p.m.

Thursday, March 23 - School of Business, 1 p.m.; Pott School of Science and Engineering Technology, 4 p.m.

## Faculty development programs:

Extended Services and Instructional Technology Services will hold two faculty development programs during summer and fall 2000. Information about Digital Teaching Tools (TEA 400a and TEA 400b), open to USI faculty and area teachers, is available on the Internet at www.usi.edu/extserv/digital. Information about Instructional Tools and Techniques (TEA 700), open to USI faculty only, is available online at www.usi.edu/extserv/itools.

# Walt Disney World to recruit interns on USI campus:

Walt Disney World officials will present an informative program on Disney World summer and fall internship positions for college students at 5 p.m. on Monday, March 20, in Mitchell Auditorium. Following the presentation, students may schedule times for interviews that will be conducted on Tuesday, March 21, in the Career Services Office located in the Orr Center. For more information about the Disney World internship program, call Ms. Pam Doerter, USI internship coordinator, at 464-1865.

### **USI Spring Film Series:**

Friday, Marach 24 and Saturday, March 25 - The Blue Kite (1993) - directed by Zuangzhuang Tian. Films will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Forum I, Wright Administration Building. A discussion by Mr. Eric Braysmith, lecturer in English and art, will follow.

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**Sports** 

Saturday, March 18

Softball at home with St. Joseph, 1 p.m. Men's tennis at home with Indiana/Purdue-Ft. Wayne, 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Baseball at Christian Brothers, noon Men's golf at Brescia Spring Invitational

Sunday, March 19

Softball at home with IPFW, noon Baseball at Christian Brothers, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21 Baseball at IUPUI, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22
NCAA Basketball Elite Eight
Men's tennis at home with Indiana University-Southeast, 4 p.m.
Baseball at home with Brescia, 1 p.m.
Softball at Oakland City, 4 p.m.

Thursday, March 23 NCAA Basketball Semi-Finals Men's tennis at home with Bellarmine, 4 p.m.

Friday, March 24 Men's and women's track @ Alabama Relays Softball at Oakland City, 4 p.m.

Market place

For sale

Great starter/retirement home in Mt. Vernon, Indiana with over 1,200 sq. ft. and extra large rooms, many updates throughout, priced to sell! Call Leslie at ext.1867 or 838-1970 after 5 p.m.

Tractor - John Deere 2010, 40HP gas, 3pt, ps, 1 hyd. remote, \$4,500. Contact mkrahlin@usi.edu or phone 1712.

Kitchen table and chairs - round wooden table and four hand-painted blue and white country-style chairs, \$30. Call 471-8766 and leave message.

**Entertainment center** - holds up to 27" TV, light wood, three storage cabinets, and shelves for VCR, stereo, tapes, or books, great condition, \$80 o.b.o. Call Stacie at ext.1084 or Jim at ext. 1208. After 4:30 p.m., call 421-7712 and leave message.

Stationary maple rocker - floral (cream color background) pad and skirt, \$95. Call 985-9163 or ext.1269.

King-size box spring and mattress, bed frame, \$75. Twin wooden bed frame, \$35. Call 963-6713.

Baby crib - white with lace canopy \$45; white youth bed with mattress, new, \$60; solid oak dining room table, round, \$250; cherry entertainment center, very large with side bookcases and bottom cabinet, \$300. Call 424-8547 after 5 pm, or ext. 1840.

Canon BJC-4400 color bubble jet printer with software and Canon Creative package - includes free Microtek V310 Scanner. In original boxes, all cables included, \$100. Call 464-1820.

Two pairs of Clarion Pro Audio 5 x 7 components, new, still in boxes, \$150 per pair; one amplifier, JBS BP 1200 x 1, good condition, retails for \$700, \$500; one factory spoiler, fits 1994 through 1998 Ford Mustang, \$100. Call 423-3224.

Dooney-Bourke backpack purse - used one season, \$60, authentic. Call ext.1840 or 424-8547 after 5 p.m.

Tickets - two tickets to Elton John concert April 14, section 10, row 22, will sell at cost, \$109. Call Debbie at 985-5673 in the evening or ext. 1641.

V a c a n c i e s

The following is a list of vacant positions available as of March 13, 2000. Additional information regarding current vacancies is located on the bulletin board outside the Human Resources office in the Wright Administration Building, the bulletin board located in the front lobby of the Wright Administration Building and on the USI Job Line (812/465-7117) or visit our web site at www.usi.edu/hr. The University of Southern Indiana is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 11246 and is an Affirmative Action Employer. Interested individuals should contact the Human Resources office, Wright Administration Building, FWA 166, 812/464-1844. When applying for a position, please use the reference number.

## **CLERICAL/SUPPORT**

Administrative Assistant - B0018 - Career Services and Placement - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00.OP2/\$7.46/hr.

Administrative Clerk (Application Processing) - B0019 - Student Financial Assistance - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00.OP1/\$6.66/hr.

Sales Staff - H0011 - Historic New Harmony - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$5.15/hr.

Box Office Manager - H0012 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$375/wk.

Box Office Day Manager - H0013 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$275/wk.

Box Office Assistants - H0014 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$5.75-\$6.50/hr.

House Manager/Volunteer Coordinator - H0015 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$225/wk.

Hospitality Manager - H0016 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$300/wk.

Hospitality Staff - H0017 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$5.75/hr.

Custodial Workers - H0018 - Lincoln Amphitheatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$7.25/hr.

House Manager - H0019 - New Harmony Theatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$225/wk.

Box Office Manager - H0020 - New Harmony Theatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$375/wk.

Box Office Assistants - H0021 - New Harmony Theatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$6.00/hr.

Hospitality Manager - H0022 - New Harmony Theatre - open: 3/13/00 - deadline: 3/24/00. G001/\$225/wk.

### **FACULTY/ADMINISTRATIVE**

Coordinator of Human Resources Information System - A0008 - Human Resources - open: 2/29/00 - deadline: 3/29/00.

Theatre Faculty - F0007 - School of Liberal Arts - open: 2/29/00 - deadline: 3/29/00.

Assistant Professor of History - F0010 - School of Liberal Arts - open: 1/31/00 - deadline: 3/17/00.