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USI associate professor, son win Fulbrights

As family traditions go, the Jermakowicz's is somewhat unusual. In 1996, Dr. Eva Jermakowicz, associate professor of accounting, and her husband the late Dr. Walter Jermakowicz, who also taught at USI, won Fulbright awards to teach business in Poland in 1997.

This year, Eva received a Fulbright Research Award under the European Union Program, and son Walter Jermakowicz III '03 received a grant through the Fulbright Student Program.

"My family has a history of Fulbrights. It's kind of cool," Walter acknowledged during a telephone interview from Vanderbilt University, where he is a student in the M.D./Ph.D. program.

By mid-September, Eva will have begun 10 months of study in Brussels, Belgium, and Walter's 10 months in Munich, Germany, also will be underway.

"Walter told me, 'Mom, we are members of two of the same organizations now - the USI Alumni Association and the Fulbright Association,'" Eva happily recalled. "And I realized it was true."

When she joined the USI faculty in 1987, Eva already held a Ph.D. and had taught in Poland. To sit for the CPA exam, however, she had to hold a U.S. bachelor's degree, so she earned one on campus. Walter graduated in May with a B.S. in biology, a B.S. in chemistry, a B.A. in German, and the honor of the President's Medal.

Although Eva and her son both are multilingual, the associate professor polished her French skills with study at USI last semester. She will be working at a research institute in Brussels, but the place of affiliation has not been confirmed yet.

"I feel honored to receive this award because it is the only award to be offered for research to be done under the European Union Program in Brussels," she added.

Walter will be conducting his research at the Max Planck Institute for Neurobiology in Munich and will be enrolled in courses at University of Munich.

Eva's project will explore the impact of implementation of international accounting standards in the European Union. The 15 countries in the European Union will be joined by 10 more next year, and all public companies in these countries will be required to implement international accounting standards by 2005.

"This award is prestigious for Dr. Jermakowicz and the University," said USI President H. Ray Hoops. "This is a mutually beneficial arrangement for both the host nation and the sponsoring institution. The Fulbright Program provides an important and necessary opportunity for the best and brightest faculty around the world to work together to study and address issues of global importance."

Walter's research will investigate blood vessel formation in nervous system tumors.

"The goal is to understand the biochemical pathways involved in their development, so that some day we can inhibit the pathways," he explained. "If you cut off the blood flow, the tumor won't grow any more."

In addition to publishing and presenting his work, Walter hopes his time in Munich will lead to future collaborations with European scholars. Eva plans to use her work as a Fulbrighter as the basis for a book.

While overseas, Eva said she and Walter also hope to visit relatives and friend in Poland and Germany. She's hoping younger son, John "Jeremi" Jermakowicz, a senior at Purdue, will be able to join some of their travel adventures as well.

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The Foreigner opening June 13

The curtain will rise on The New Harmony Theatre's 2003 season Friday, June 13, when *The Foreigner* opens at Murphy Auditorium.

Serving up one surprise after another, Larry Shue's award-winning play is a devilish romp demonstrating what can happen when a group of devious characters erroneously believe a stranger in their midst can speak no English.

Returning for a fourth NHT season, Larry Gleason will fill the title role. New Harmony audiences will remember him from performances of *The Golden Age*, *Death of a Salesman*, *The Philadelphia Story*, and *Twelfth Night*.

Gleason's Off-Broadway performances have included *Romance Language*, *A Country Doctor*, and *Agamemnon*. Television credits include *Law and Order*, *City By the Sea*, and *Unfaithful*.

He teaches Shakespeare and contemporary scene study at Circle In The Square Theatre School in New York and is a founding member of the Willow Cabin Theatre Company, best known for its 1993 Broadway and Tony Award-nominated production of *Wilder, Wilder - Three by Thornton Wilder*.

Performances of *The Foreigner* will continue through June 29. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays.

Tickets - \$20 adult, \$18 student/senior, \$17 group of 20+ - are available by calling 1-877/NHT-SHOW. USI employees receive a \$3 discount off the adult ticket price. Season tickets are available.

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USI mourning death of generous friend

Dallas Bower Suhrheinrich, Evansville's leading philanthropist, died June 3 at the age of 91.

In recognition of her generous \$1 million gift to Campaign USI, the University's first capital campaign, the School of Education and Human Services bears her name.

Her gift underwrites the William H. and Dallas B. Suhrheinrich Presidential Scholarship, with preference given to

students in the Bower-Suhrheinrich School of Education and Human Services, and makes possible professional development opportunities and applied research for faculty in the school.

The gift also established the Bower-Suhrheinrich Endowment for Teaching Excellence, giving seed money for special projects designed to help guarantee teaching excellence is provided not only for USI students but also for area elementary and secondary teachers.

In recognition of her philanthropy to all of Evansville, USI presented her with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree in 1998.

In addition to supporting USI, she made generous gifts to University of Evansville, Vanderbilt University, and Oakland City University. She also established an endowment fund benefiting Goodwill Industries, the Evansville YMCA, the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra, Trinity United Methodist Church, and the Evansville Museum of Arts, History, and Science.

She made gifts to other local charities and was involved with the Deaconess Hospital Foundation, Reitz Home, Old Courthouse Auxiliary to the Conrad Baker Foundation, the Kennel Club, Evansville Country Club, Harlaxton Society, Sinawik, and the Women's Society at Trinity United Methodist Church.

She and her late husband Bill, who died in 1985, were natives of the Evansville area. She was educated at Indiana University and taught at Evansville's Vogel School for seven years until 1944. Her husband's career at Mead Johnson Co. took them to St. Louis, Chicago, and Des Moines, Iowa. They later returned to Evansville.

Survivors include three sisters, Bette Bower, Beverly Rittenhouse, and Anne Hartley, all of Evansville; and nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 8, at Alexander East Funeral Home and from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, June 9, at Trinity Methodist Church, where services will begin at 11.

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Spring *SIR* now available

The spring 2003 issue of *Southern Indiana Review* – University of Southern Indiana's national literary magazine – is now available at the USI Bookstore. Barnes & Noble Booksellers and Golden Raintree Books in New Harmony also plan to carry the magazine.

Featuring poetry, fiction, translation, reviews, and art, *SIR* showcases the talents of emerging and established writers and artists from across the Midwest and the country.

Award-winning authors, teachers, professors, and artists are among the contributors, including Joseph Bathani, William Brown, Leah Kornfeld Friedman, R.M. Kinder, David Shumate, and Charles David Kleymeyer, an Evansville native interested in the folk literature of South America. Seven members of the USI faculty also are among the contributors:

- ▶ Patricia Aakhus, instructor in English – fiction: "Coyote"
- ▶ Lenny Dowhie, professor of art – linoleum print: "Another Night in Hell"
- ▶ Tonya Northenor, instructor in English - review: "The Country I Come From by Norbert Krapf"
- ▶ Carolyn Roth, special part-time instructor in art - linoleum prints: "Shadow," "Duality"
- ▶ Dr. Joseph Uduehi, assistant professor of art education – linoleum prints: "Unshakable," "Do Not Scream"

▶ Elliot Wasserman, associate professor of theatre – poetry: "Some Things We Say"

▶ Kathryn Waters, chair of the Art, Music, and Theatre Department – woodcut: "On the Banks of the Wabash"

USI's School of Liberal Arts sponsors the *SIR*, which receives support from the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The magazine price is \$10 per copy. To obtain one by mail: Send a mailing address and check to *Southern Indiana Review*, Liberal Arts Center, USI, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712. Yearly subscriptions, two issues, are \$16.

Submissions of poetry, fiction, interviews, artwork, photography, critical essays, and reviews are accepted between October 1 and January 1.

For additional information or to place a telephone order, call 812/464-1855.

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Pro-peace veterans speaking June 17

"Veterans Speaking Out Against War," a panel discussion featuring pro-peace United States veterans, will be presented at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, in Carter Hall.

The panelists will include Dr. Gary May, associate professor of social work; Larry Miller, president of Miller Block Co.; and Joseph Farah, president of the Indianapolis Chapter of Veterans for Peace.

Each speaker will share a perspective of his own war experiences and current events. A time for questions from the audience and discussion will follow.

The USI Democrats are sponsoring the event that is free and open to the public. For more information, call 812/465-7052.

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Hamilton first female Varsity Club chair courtesy of USI Sports Information

If you felt a bundle of energy breeze past you at any of the Varsity Club events over the past five years, it was likely Helen Hamilton.

Named chair of the Varsity Club last month, Hamilton is the first woman to serve in that position, and she will be channeling her energy into helping the organization reach its goal of fully funding athletic scholarships by 2005.

Hamilton has been a board member the past four years and has chaired the Varsity Club's Fall Festival booth and Outback Luncheon. The mother of two (Jessica, 9, and Jared, 6) also has been highly involved with the Golf Scramble and the Steak Fry 'n Auction.

A native of Tucson, Ariz., and the owner of Formal Shoes, Hamilton has set expansion as her goal for the Varsity Club.

"Our top goal is to get to \$164,000 and reach full funding for athletic scholarships," she said. "I learned in college what a full-ride scholarship means, and in a way, I want to give back.

"A scholarship is giving a student a chance to succeed if they take advantage of the opportunity."

The Varsity Club, which has been smashing fund-raising records the past few years, has only come close to the goal of fully funding athletic scholarships. The organization raised a record \$135,000 through membership dues, but that is still only 88 percent of this year's goal of \$153,000.

The club, which has 16 memberships at the new \$2,000 Screaming Eagles level, is in the third year of a five-year challenge by USI President H. Ray Hoops to fully fund athletic scholarships. All money raised through Varsity Club membership dues supports athletic scholarships, which help USI attract more outstanding high school athletes who want to earn degrees and continue to excel in sports.

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News crews on the way to USI

USI will be making news this month, when two local television stations plan to broadcast live from campus.

WFIE's Terrance Bates will spotlight the University's Super Summer program for children as well as other summer activities for youth Monday, June 9.

Broadcasting "On the Road" segments from the Technology Center, Bates will interview a variety of USI employees and participating families. The segments, a part of Channel 14's Newswatch Sunrise, will begin at 5:30 a.m.

The first weeklong Super Summer 2003 session will be held on campus June 9-13. The second, July 21-25, will be held at Crossroads Christian Church.

Thursday, June 12, WTVW's Ron Rhodes will broadcast the weather from campus at 5:30 p.m. The Channel 7 meteorologist will be forecasting from USI in conjunction with the Indiana State Police Respect for Law Camp June 12-14.

The camp is expected to have more than 200 fifth- and sixth-grade student participants. Activities will highlight personal safety and drug awareness, and will include a variety of demonstrations.

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Wells the GLVC's top female student-athlete courtesy of USI Sports Information

The Great Lakes Valley Conference has named USI volleyball/women's basketball performer Shannon Wells, Merrillville, Ind., its 2003 Richard F. Scharf Paragon Award winner.

The Paragon Award is presented annually to the GLVC's top male and female student-athlete, as voted on by the conference's faculty athletic representatives. Criteria include academic excellence, athletic ability and achievement, character, and leadership.

"Shannon is an exemplary student-athlete and is most deserving of this award," USI FAR Dr. Scott Gordon said. "Her outstanding personality, athletic abilities, academic achievements, leadership, and community activities have served as a model of what every intercollegiate athlete can and should strive to achieve."

On the court, Wells led the USI volleyball team to a 26-8 record as well as its first GLVC Tournament Championship and NCAA Division II Tournament appearance.

After leading the GLVC with 4.81 kills and 1.09 service aces per game, Wells was tabbed as the GLVC "Player of the Year" and earned All-Great Lakes Region honors by Daktronics and the American Volleyball Coaches Association. Wells also finished third in the conference with a career-high 3.98 digs per game.

Wells' performance in the NCAA II Great Lakes Regional Tournament (5.29 kills and 4.29 digs per game) netted her All-Tournament honors. She finished her career at USI as the school's all-time career leader in kills (1,866), digs (1,353), and service aces (319). She also ranks second all-time in career hitting percentage (.285) at USI.

In addition to her athletic accolades, Wells was named the GLVC's "Scholar Athlete of the Year" for volleyball and the USI/Integra Bank Female Student Athlete of the Year.

After completing her final volleyball season, Wells traded in the kneepads for basketball shoes. In just three weeks, she was in the starting lineup, where she averaged 7.6 points and 4.6 rebounds per game. Amazingly, Wells had not played organized basketball in nearly four years.

Wells is the fourth female and fifth athlete in USI history to earn the Paragon Award. She received it May 28 at the GLVC meetings held in Nashville, Ind.

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Names in the news

Achievements

Dr. Julia Galbus, assistant professor of English and director of Humanities, participated in the 13th annual International American Studies Conference in Minsk in April. Spotting the theme, "The United States in a Globalized World: Challenges and Prospects," the conference was sponsored by the Belarusian American Studies Association and supported by the U.S. Embassy. The event brought together participants from Belarus, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Ukraine, and the U.S. Galbus delivered a keynote address to the conference as well as lectures to students and faculty at Minsk State Linguistic University and the European Humanities University.

Welcome

Caitlin W. Poe '03 has accepted the position of admission counselor in the Office of Admission. The Evansville resident was a student worker in the Computer Center. She earned a B.S. in political science at USI, where she served as the Student Government Association's vice president for Student Affairs and won the Top Ten Student Leader Award. She also was included in the 2002 *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*.

Lindsay Nicole Satterthwaite '03 has accepted the position of admission counselor in the Office of Admission. The Evansville resident was a student worker in News and Information Services. She earned a B.S. in public relations at USI, where she was on the dean's list.

In appreciation

"A big thank you to everyone at USI for all the fond wishes, gifts, visits, and food received for my retirement. It has been a privilege working with everyone, and I will miss you in the coming months, especially my coworkers in Printing Services."

- Judy Fleck,
former production coordinator in Printing Services

In sympathy

The University community extends sympathy to the family of Linda Harmon, senior administrative assistant in Student Life, whose father Frank Biegler, 86, Evansville, died May 31. Services were held June 4 at Pierre Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

The University community extends sympathy to the family of Donnie Patrick, custodial worker in the Liberal Arts Center, whose mother Mary V. (Overfield) Patrick, 80, Chandler, Ind., died May 26. Services were held May 29 at Boone Funeral Home East Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriner's Hospital for Children.

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Thanks

The offices of Advancement and Special Events would like to thank everyone who helped make Commencement possible this year. Our sincere gratitude is owed to Instructional Technology, Physical Plant, the Office of the Registrar, and all of our Commencement hosts. Your hard work and dedication played a special part in this landmark event in the lives of graduates. We look forward to serving with you again next year.

Congratulations, graduate

Keith Patrick Ball (B.S. in flight technology), son of Rebecca Ball, administrative associate in the School of Nursing and Health Professions, graduated from Purdue University in May. He joins the ranks of children of University employees graduating in 2003 whose names were published in a previous issue of *University Notes*.

Summer sessions

The first summer session will conclude Friday, June 13. Open registration for the second summer session will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, June 16. The second session will begin Tuesday, June 17. For more information, send an e-mail to kkdupont@usi.edu.

Notes schedule

University Notes is publishing on its every-other-week summer schedule. The next online issue will be available Friday, June 20. Summer submission deadlines fall on the Friday prior to the Friday of publication. For example, the submission deadline for the June 20 issue will be June 13. Submissions received after the deadline will be published at the discretion of the editorial staff.

Submissions may be made via e-mail to Libby L. Keeling, associate editor. Submissions for the "Marketplace" column may be e-mailed to rjfugate@usi.edu.

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Marketplace

For sale

3700 Covington Drive - lovely all brick, three-bedroom, two-bath, ranch-style home. New neutral carpeting, ceramic tile in kitchen, vaulted ceilings, and many appliances: \$127,500. Call 464-1785 or 867-0562.

3061 Igleheart Avenue - only five minutes from USI on the west side, nice, three bedrooms, one bath, finished basement with fireplace, hardwood floors, and many appliances including newer refrigerator and stove. Definitely must see to appreciate: \$87,000. Call LeAnn, 423-0596 or Ext. 1050.

1974 MG Midget - 46,638 miles, garaged since new, one owner, no wrecks/dents, runs and looks good: \$4,900. Call 985-2046.

1983 Nissan Pulsar hatchback - GOOD TRANSPORTATION, sunroof, excellent tires and brakes. Runs and looks good. One owner, 55,000 actual miles: \$950. Located at 1705 S. Green River Road or call 479-9873 any time.

Piano - Kawai console piano, mint condition: \$1700. Call Nancy, Ext. 1244 or 477-4375.

"Early American" style oak dining set - Oval table with waterproof surface, four legs, one leaf (42" x 59"). China cabinet with interior light, upper doors glass, two movable glass shelves, two lower wood doors (74" x 43" x 17"). Four solid oak chairs (one with arms), spindle back with curved open-work middle slat: \$225. Call 402-8448.

Small pine coffee table - made as a cribbage board by craftsman in Cape Cod, Mass.: \$100. Call 985-2046.

"Plain vanilla" push mower - Three and one-half horsepower Briggs & Stratton engine, 20-inch cut. Excellent condition. Absolutely no frills: \$25. Call Larry Goss, 963-0918 or rlgoss@evansville.net.

For Rent

One-bedroom apartment - not far from USI. One-year lease, non-smoking, no pets. Water, sewage, and trash pickup paid: \$350 per month, \$150 deposit. Call 476-3411.

Three minutes from USI - very nice, large four-bedroom house with full basement and two patios, two furnaces, two and one-half baths and very large kitchen. Nicely furnished. Located on large lot with pond in exclusive Key West Estates near West Terrace Elementary School. Will be available for the next academic year. If interested, call Eva, 465-1677.

Garden tour

"A Stroll Through the Gardens" - presented by South Western Indiana Master Gardener Association, June 21-22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., featuring 14 gardens in Evansville and Newburgh. Tickets: \$10 in advance from Jenny LaMar, 812/465-1140 or jlamar@usi.edu; at Schnuck's stores in Evansville and Newburgh; and at the *Evansville Courier* reception desk. Tickets: \$15 the day of the tour at any featured garden. Proceeds benefit SWIMGA's university scholarship fund.

Sub Connection Hot Plate Lunch Specials

Monday, June 9 - ground beef potato pie served with a side salad: \$3.50.

Tuesday, June 10 - herb baked chicken served with wild rice and pecan stuffing, and the vegetable of the day: \$3.95.

Wednesday, June 11 - vegetable lasagna served with a side salad: \$3.50.

Thursday, June 12 - salmon patties with pea sauce served with cheesy potatoes and the vegetable of the day: \$3.95.

Friday, June 13 - chicken alfredo served with a side salad: \$3.50.

Monday, June 16 - swiss steak served over rice with the vegetable of the day: \$3.95.

Tuesday, June 17 - beef pot pie served with a side salad: \$3.50.

Wednesday, June 18 - fried chicken served with mashed potatoes, gravy, and the vegetable of the day: \$3.95.

Thursday, June 19 - turkey tetrazzini served with a side salad: \$3.50.

Friday, June 20 - stuffed green pepper served with a side salad: \$3.50.

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Marketplace," a free service available to University employees and retirees, publishes information of a non-commercial nature that may include items for sale or rent, desired items or services, available services, free items, and fund raisers. The editorial staff reserves the right to decline any submission and to enforce the column deadline.

Friday, June 13, is the deadline for submitting information for the next "Marketplace."

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www.usi.edu/newsinfo/newnotes.asp