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## Director's Notebook

by David Ransel

In the spring issue of *REElification* I wrote of our exceptionally good year, a year in which we had acquired four new faculty members and had not lost a single one to retirement or non-retention. My optimism was challenged by the tragic events of this summer when we lost two much beloved faculty members to untimely deaths. Scott Seregny, a respected specialist in the field of Russian social history and professor of history at our Indianapolis campus, died of cancer at the age of 52. Timothy Wiles, associate professor of English, longtime director of the IU Polish Studies Center, and an important contributor in the field of European and American theater studies, lost a long battle with depression and took his own life at the age of 56. Both Scott and Tim had served on the REEI Executive Committee and assisted us with numerous other forms of service, in addition to their teaching and scholarly contributions that brought national and international distinction to our programs. You will read more about them in this edition of *REElification*.

The arrival of new faculty members helps to lift our spirits. Sarah Phillips, our new assistant professor of anthropology, is attracting a large complement of students in her first classes, and we are delighted to have a language-qualified area specialist for Russia and East Europe to add to our strengths in anthropology, where five professors have been actively recruiting and training students for our area. Beate Sissenich began teaching in the Department of Political Science this semester as a specialist on the accession of Poland and Hungary to the European Union. Sissenich joins a strong group in political science, consisting of four other language-qualified area specialists and three comparativists who work on East European issues. A third newcomer is Lynn Hooker, assistant professor of Hungarian studies, who teaches in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies and specializes in the music and culture of Hungary. A fourth new faculty member is William Pridemore, a specialist in Russian criminal behavior. He won a major research grant concurrent with his hiring by our Department of Criminal Justice, and so Pridemore will not begin his teaching at IU until next September. These outstanding young scholars and teachers will build on the great institutional strength we already enjoy in Russian and East European studies.

The same great strength is the source of another important achievement of our institute and its faculty: renewal for another three years of our Title VI

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**IU Awards for REEI Alumni**

1994 Irene Meister  
College Distinguished Alumni  
1998 Stephen Cohen  
College Distinguished Alumni  
1999 James F. Collins  
Honorary Doctorate

**REEI Awards****DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI**

1988 Alexander Rabinowitch  
1988 Charles Gati  
1995 Gale Stokes  
2000 Helena Goscilo  
2002 Howard I. Aronson  
2002 William Hopkins

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE**

1988 Theofanis Stavrou  
1988 Robert F. Byrnes  
1989 Karen Niggle  
1996 Robert W. Campbell  
1997 Charles Jelavich  
1997 Janet Rabinowitch  
2000 William B. Edgerton

**Congratulations!***MA Defenses*

**Mark Betka** (REEI/SPEA) defended his essay "Integration of Polish Farming to the European Union Common Agriculture Policy: Challenges and Opportunities." Randall Baker chaired his committee.

**Timothy Buchen** (REEI) defended his essay, "Moldova-Romania Reunification?" Maria Bucur chaired his committee.

**Thomas Dumstorf** (REEI) defended his essay "The More Things (Ex)Change the More They...or Not?: The Effectiveness of the Business for Russia/Community Connections Program." Alexander Rabinowitch chaired his committee.

**Alex Dunlop** (REEI/SPEA) defended his essay "Humanism and Nationalism Among Serbian Intellectuals in the 1980s." Maria Bucur chaired his committee.

**Carrie Ellingson** (REEI/SLIS) defended her essay, "A Black Hole in Cyberspace: Examining Problems in Internet Development in Hungary and Croatia During the Mid-1990s." Howard Rosenbaum chaired her committee.

**Simone Giger** (REEI) defended her essay "Shock Therapy in Russia." Michael Alexeev chaired her committee.

**Matthew Kelley** (REEI) defended his essay "Khrushchev, Dissent and the Path to Dissidence." Dodona Kiziria chaired his committee.

**Daniel Saulean** (REEI) defended his essay "Assessing Societies Exposed to Communism: From Nationalism to Democracy in Romania." Maria Bucur chaired his committee.

*PhD Dissertations*

**Sukhoon Choo** (PhD Slavics) defended his dissertation "The Decline of Null Pronominal Subjects in Old Russian" in February. George Fowler was his committee chair.

**Thomas Cooper** (PhD Comparative Literature) defended his dissertation "On Struction of the Psychological Novel: Mimesis of Consciousness in the Novels of Zsigmond Kemeny" in May. Mihaly Szegedy-Maszak was his committee chair.

*REEI undergraduate minors*

**Elizabeth Colosimo** graduated in May with a BA in Journalism and Political Science.

**Esra Erdogan** graduated in May with a BA in Sociology and History.

**Jessica Gibson** graduated in May with a BA in Political Science.

**Kerry Hickey** graduated in May with a BA in Journalism and Political Science.

**Karen Hopp** graduated in May with a BA in Political Science.

**Matthew Kail** graduated in May with a BA in Political Science.

**Prajakti Kalra** graduated in June with a BA in Psychology and History.

**David Lawrence** graduated in May with a BA in Slavic Languages and Literatures.

**Jennifer Mathews** graduated in May with a BA in History and East Asian Languages and Cultures.

**Sarah Milligan** graduated in May with a BA in Political Science.

**Alicia Myers** graduated in May with a BA in Geography.

**Aaron Sharockman** graduated in May with a BA in Journalism and Political Science.

**Naomi Shulman** graduated in May with a BA in English and Jewish Studies.

**Demetra Stath** graduated in May with a BA in Political Science.

**Rhen Taylor** graduated in May with a BA in History and East Asian Languages and Cultures.

**Mary Margaret Underwood** graduated in May with a BA in Religion and Political Science.

## In Memorium: Timothy Wiles and Scott Seregny

*A Remembrance by Patrick O'Meara, IU Dean for International Programs*

Timothy Wiles died on July 17, 2003 after succumbing to a long struggle with depression. Tim showed courage in the face of tremendous adversity. His was not the courage of a moment in the battlefield but the courage to go on from day to day, the strength of heart to contend with the noonday demon. To persevere and to have a life of commitment and engagement called for a heroism that many of us cannot even imagine. Tim found the strength to overcome a debilitating disease for many years. Sadly, in the end the challenge proved to be too great.



Tim earned a BA in English from Antioch College in 1969 and a PhD in English from Stanford University in 1975. He joined the IU English and Comparative Literature Faculties in 1973.

Tim's international commitment was deep and real. He went far beyond merely trying to understand a different culture. He became part of a society.

Poland in particular was a place to which Tim had a deep commitment. He admired its history and culture, and formed lasting friendships there. On three different occasions, I was fortunate to be in Poland with Tim. He was tireless in his enthusiasm and energy. He wanted me to know and understand Poland in a few days, and he worked at this educational task with great zeal.

Tim was a part of IU's historic role in Poland. The university first opened the American Studies Center during the Solidarity era, and it became a symbol of freedom and change. Tim and his wife Mary McGann served there at different times and did so for nearly two years during the difficult period of martial law.

Tim was eager for everyone to know and love Poland. Little wonder that the Polish Embassy honored him with the *amicus poloniae* award.

When IU President Myles Brand and his wife Peg and I visited Poland on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the American Studies Center, Tim shared his friendships and his knowledge. And he also had to accomplish a difficult task. President Brand's robes arrived in Poland for the visit but were impounded by customs officials because they believed they might be contraband. One look at the ermine trimmed robes of the *rector magnificus* of Warsaw University indicated to me that there would not be many buyers for the understated IU paraphernalia. However, Tim immediately went into action. He phoned contacts at the relevant ministry and at the US embassy, and the robes soon magically appeared. Brand insisted, however, that they should not be mailed back to the

*A Remembrance by Professor Ben Eklof*

Professor Scott Seregny passed away on June 16, 2003 after a long struggle with cancer. Scott was a productive scholar, a popular teacher, a mentor and friend to numerous younger colleagues, and a warm human being. We feel his loss profoundly.

Scott was born on November 20, 1950 in the Detroit area, and always considered himself a dyed-in-the-wool Midwesterner. He received a BA with honors at the University of Michigan, where he went on to complete his PhD in Russian history in 1982 under the guidance of Professor Bill Rosenberg. During his active career Scott had research grants from the Fulbright Foundation as well as the National Endowment for the Humanities, and he spent two years at the Russian Research Center at Harvard University. He was the author of a well-received book, *Russian Teachers and Peasant Revolution* (1989); he co-edited a study of rural politics in pre-revolutionary Saratov province, and regularly produced conference papers, articles, chapters, and book reviews.



By the time of his death, Scott had written a series of impressive articles describing the dynamics of Russian rural life between 1907 and 1917. As Professor Larry Holmes wrote in an evaluation of Scott's recent work: "Scholarly literature on the Russian countryside from 1907 to 1917 is, with the exception of Seregny's work, weak and practically non-existent. As he ably points out, the standard view emphasizes the reactionary nature of organs of local self-government; the inertia, isolation, and inflexibility of the peasantry; and the political and social timidity of rural teachers. Seregny's scholarship convincingly puts these notions to rest. Whether his focus is on the central region, the Volga area, the southeast, or southwest of the European portion of the tsarist empire, Seregny demonstrates that peasants responded in a variety of ways to altered conditions around them and to national and international events. Sometimes they rioted and forcibly drove out officials; at other times they refused to pay taxes and presented petitions to the tsar. They were keenly interested in the politics of St. Petersburg and World War I, tailored their own behavior to their understanding of these events, and acted in concert with members of the local intelligentsia and urban workers. Seregny's research leaves no doubt that such behavior represented a nascent sense of citizenship among many peasants." In his work, Scott not only retrieved agency for obscure local political activists, whom he often depicted vividly, but also used the enormous archival data base he had accumulated over the years to paint local life in late Imperial Russia with nuance and verve.

Scott was also a much-loved teacher. A colleague at IUPUI wrote in the Indianapolis Star, "Dr. Seregny's significant

## Ukrainian Studies in L'viv

by Martin J. Blackwell

This summer my colleague Jen Maceyko (REEI) and I took part in the University of Kansas's Summer Institute in Ukrainian Studies held at the Ivan Franko National University in L'viv, Ukraine. During the seven week program we studied Ukrainian language, listened to an array of university lecturers speak about "things Ukrainian," and traveled with our group to Kyiv and the Carpathian Mountains.

Carrying on a four-year old tradition of IUB student participation in the program, both Jen and I attended the program because we were awarded summer Foreign Language and Area Studies fellowships from the University of Kansas's Center for Russian and East European Studies in Lawrence, Kansas.

My reason for attending the program was to add a modicum of conversational Ukrainian to my fluent Russian skills. Although I spent 2001 in Ukraine living in Kyiv on a Fulbright student fellowship researching my dissertation in that city's archives, I did not learn any spoken Ukrainian. The nature of my work, my environment and friends (mostly young arrivistes from Ukraine's Russian-speaking east and south), and the Russified nature of the capital's street culture in general did not present adequate opportunities.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the seven weeks in L'viv for me was what I learned about Ukraine's current situation. The day I arrived in the city, for example, Poland voted to join the European Union. The buzz in L'viv the following day – and in my apartment as well – was that a tightened visa re-

gime with Ukraine's new "European" neighbor to the west would make routine cross-border trade more difficult.

"Shuttle traders" are not the only



*Maceyko and Blackwell in front of a bust of Ivan Franko, L'viv, Ukraine*

ones who cross into Poland to make a living. An astounding seven million of Ukraine's 46 million people live abroad more or less permanently, and many of those who work send part of their paychecks home to support family members. The vast majority of these working people occupy low paying jobs in European

Union countries—many of them illegally, and many with the tacit acceptance of governments such as those in Italy and Portugal. Indeed, another rumor in L'viv this summer concerned a deficit of new passports, forcing some businessmen to pay large amounts of money for expedited service at the government offices handling such issues in order to realize their travel plans.

As with the EU to the west, the presence of Russia to the east is also being felt in L'viv these days. The root cause of this is the increasing presence of the Russian language in Ukraine's electronic and print media. Russian capital is being heavily invested in media structures, and many Ukrainians are coming to believe that Moscow-based television programs and publishing houses produce more entertaining products than their Ukrainian counterparts. Of course, no one is oblivious to the fact that Russian investors are becoming more important in financing

Ukraine's few commercially-viable heavy industries in the country's wealthier eastern parts.

While Ukraine's position as a neutral borderland between two large and expanding powers seems precarious, there is still cause to be positive about the country's future. Western Ukraine's deep national feeling is joined by the stronger economy and healthy localism of the Donbas and southern Ukraine where people are also proud of their political independence from Moscow. There is a strong sense in the country that both east and west need each other, for together they make each other's political and economic interests easier to defend.

This mutual dependence comes despite the fact that young L'vivites who get a rare chance to travel around their country will freely admit that parts of it are so different from each other that the only way to describe a weekend getaway to Odessa, for example, is to say it is like a trip to another planet.

All of these factors make the December 2004 presidential election in Ukraine extraordinarily important. Many feel this is the country's chance to prove it is on the road to becoming a viable western democracy with a political culture that should command respect in the other European countries as the latter continue to reorganize. Many feel that outgoing President Leonid Kuchma – regardless of his particularly unpleasant political past – will hold the election rather than risk following Russia's past experience of possible presidential threats of constitutional manipulation to maintain power.

I left L'viv at the end of July on a bus for London. The majority of my travel companions were Ukrainian uni-

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## Faculty Profile: Roy J. Gardner

by Che D. Clark

Roy Gardner has been working with REEI for 20 years. He is the Chancellor's Professor of Economics and lists professional experience that rivals the most accomplished academics. Receiving his BS, *summa cum laude*, in 1968 from Bradley University, he served in the United States Army in Europe and Vietnam. He began his graduate work at Cornell University in 1972 on a National Science Foundation Fellowship and received his PhD in 1975. His professional record is impressive, having spent time at Iowa State University, Northwestern University, Stanford University, and the Universities of Bonn, Bielefeld, Mannheim, and Amsterdam. He also worked for the United States Department of Agriculture and was the Acting Director of REEI in 1998-1999. While his fields of specialization include game theory, public choice, and European economics, his applied research is most fascinating. In recent years, he has spent a great deal of time analyzing and creating models of Yugoslavia, the Ukrainian independence movement, and the collapse of the Soviet Union. What is most curious is his application of game theory formulas to the collapse and formulation of political systems, similar in analysis to business divestiture or acquisitions. Currently, he is studying the many unanswered questions about the future outcome of EU expansion not only into Central and Eastern Europe, but also into the CIS member states. Gardner's regional focus is on Ukraine, where the question of EU membership is currently an intensely debated national issue.

As a child, Gardner was deeply interested in the Russian language,

and, as he explains, "was able to pick it up pretty easily." He took a PhD minor in Soviet economics, and although he was not allowed to enter the Soviet Union before 1989, he has spent a great deal of time in Ukraine since the collapse of the Soviet system. The primary institution he works with is the Ukrainian Na-

tional University Kyiv-Mohyla Academy (Natsional'nyy Universitet, Kievo-Mohylan'ska Akademiya). He explains it "was the hotbed of Ukrainian nationalism and, therefore, was closed in 1820 by the tsar. With the declaration of the Soviet Union it remained closed as part of a relentless russification policy." It was reopened soon after Ukrainian independence from the Soviet Union in 1991 and became a site of Western investment. A central source of this capital was the Economics Education and Research Consortium (EERC, or in Ukrainian:

Konsortium Ekonomichnich Doslidzhen'ta Osvity, KEDO) partnered with the Kyiv-Mohyla Academy. Within three years of the initial flow of investment, the Kyiv-Mohyla Academy became what Gardner calls "an oasis of modern economic thought inside a very slowly transitioning country with enormous problems." Opening in 1996, the academy's first class of economics students graduated with master's degrees in 1998. Gardner has been intimately involved since then, and as the

academic director of the institution, spends about half of his time there. Gardner and his colleagues are working to create "a fully functioning

Ukrainian institution, the best in the country." The now emerging PhD students, some of whom are studying here at Indiana University, are being trained to operate the institution as both administrators and faculty,

with an emphasis on sustainability and quality. Gardner feels the only rival institution within the CIS is the New Economic School in Moscow (Novaia Ekonomicheskaiia Shkola).

Gardner occasionally teaches what he calls his signature course, the Economics of Europe, East and West. Co-sponsored by the West European Studies program and Economic Department, he finds it easy to fill the class with a good mixture of graduate and undergraduate students whenever the course is offered. Other courses he teaches include Microeconomic Theory (at introductory, intermediate, and PhD levels), Macroeconomic Theory, and Game Theory.

Gardner has an open seat as a visiting Professor of Economics at Stanford. When in California, he conducts courses that include Economics of Post-Communist Transition and Economic Policy Analysis: Competition Policy in the USA and EU. At Indiana University he mentors several



Roy Gardner, Chancellor's Professor of Economics, focuses on post-Soviet economies

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## Armstrong Award presented at REEI Fall Reception

A large group of faculty and students turned out for the Fall Reception hosted by the Russian and East European Institute on September 10. The annual gathering honors the memory of former professor of Slavic languages and literatures, Daniel Armstrong (1942 - 1979).



*Betka with Jack Armstrong and*

*David Ransel*

Ransel began the awards ceremony by recognizing the four new faculty members and remembering two who had died over the summer. He also introduced the members of the Armstrong family, some of whom had traveled from Missouri to enjoy the reception and recognize the award winners. Professor Ronald Feldstein, Chair of the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, was given the opportunity to pay tribute to Daniel Armstrong. His heartfelt remembrance described Armstrong as a warm, caring, and always giving individual.

Ransel then made the formal presentation of the Armstrong awards.

These awards are given to the students who submitted the most thorough and well-written papers concerning Russia and Eastern Europe in the previous academic year. Papers are read and considered over the summer by a faculty committee.

This year's first place award at the graduate level went to **Mark Betka**, who completed his studies at IU in

May with an MA/MPA joint degree from REEI and SPEA. His paper, "Integration of Polish Farming to the European Union Common Agriculture Policy: Challenges and Opportunities" was written for Professor Ransel's Interdisciplinary Colloquium in Russian East European Studies as his MA essay. Betka returned to Bloomington from Washington, DC to accept the award. He recently accepted placement with the State Department in the Office of International Information Programs, Office of Copyright and Print Publications.

**Christian Kanig** (History) received the second place graduate level award for his paper, "The Evolution of the Soviet Reeducation Program," a study of the occupation of East Germany after World War II. It was written for Professor Ben Eklof's Seminar in Russian History.



*Ransel presents Kanig with award. Ben Eklof looks on.*

paper, "Moments of Insufficiency: An Analysis of Halkin's Translation of Mendele's The Brief Travels of Benjamin the Third," which was written for Professor Dov-Ber Kerler's Yiddish literature class. Professor Kerler accepted the award on behalf of Shulman, who graduated last May and is currently pursuing graduate studies at UC-Berkeley.

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grant as a National Resource Center. Results of this year's competition placed us among the top group of Russian and East European national resource centers and provided funding to match that distinction. The grant enables us to continue to offer enhanced research and training opportunities for our students and faculty, plus outreach services to schools, government, business, and the public. An important element of the award is the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships. This time we received a complement of 10 year-long fellowships and 12 summer fellowships for each year of the grant.

Among the highlights of this school year's events are a conference in February on the Russian Duma and presidential elections. The conference will bring leading specialists from Russia and the United States to present data and analysis of the elections. We will also host another in our series of Indiana Roundtables on Post-Communism. This will occur in April and concentrate on the position of intellectuals in Eastern Europe, Russia, and China. Intellectuals from a number of post-communist countries will come to Bloomington to participate. About the same time, we will host another conference on public opinion in the East European countries that are preparing for accession to the European Union. The conference will also bring to IU a large number of specialists from the United States, the United Kingdom, and Eastern Europe to work with our faculty specialists on this issue of urgent interest and importance.

Welcome to a new year of study and teaching.

## IU Graduate Exchange Program in Hungary

by Matt Loveless

The Office of International Programs' Graduate Student Research Exchange provides the opportunity for graduate students interested in one of several regions to make professional contacts, meet with like-minded faculty, and work within a chosen region. This past summer, I went to the University of Debrecen (Hungary) to work with Hungarian scholars and to make use of the university's resources. The exchange is arranged between the affiliated universities for a 4-6 week period in which the student is essentially given the privileges of a research fellow. Debrecen, for the most part, has flourished under several revitalization projects in recent years and was a pleasantly accommodating city for a visiting graduate student. Although the university has departments scattered across Debrecen, the main building of the university is the Kossuth Lajos Tudományegyetem. By far the university's most recognizable and impressive building, it houses the library and Political Studies department, and it lent an air of academic grandeur and timelessness to my work there each day.

Essential to my research program was the process of cultivating professional contacts that would eventually help me organize field work, aid in the design of a survey instrument, and provide me with invaluable insight into working in Hungary. They also offered valuable tips on the specifics of conducting research in Hungary. The University of Debrecen provided me with both library and computer access. Even so, it was the

staff of the International Relations and University Advancement office that smoothed the process. The team of Orsi, Orsi, and Anita patiently answered my questions and sent me in useful directions, greatly facilitating my work there. I was spending so much time at the university that they asked for my help in finding someone who had made off with a small amount of money from their office.

While providing resources for academic research, the university is only the starting point for exploration, as stepping out the front door will show you. There is so much to be said for the professional and personal benefits of immersing yourself in the region you study, even temporarily. The random opportunities to overhear a conversation while riding a crowded bus, reading graffiti, listening to the political harangue of the woman selling you fruits and vegetables, hearing out the barkeep's personal explanation of the subtleties of a market economy, catching a campaign advertisement on television, all provide insight and inspiration that cannot be discovered in any other way. Simply watching people pass by as you wait for a train evokes one's intellectual curiosity. The exchange also creates the opportunity to interact with the resident faculty, as there are scholars eager to spend an afternoon in conversa-

tion, providing new voices to the chorus of your academic discipline.

Although I went in the summer expecting to find a quiet university town, the University of Debrecen also sponsors a *Nyári Egyetem* (Summer University) that invites students from around the world to study Hungarian language and culture. My



*Matt Loveless with a friend in Debrecen, Hungary*

time there coincided with the 5-week program and as I traveled from Budapest by train I found myself surrounded by a blend of different languages and people. Having been in Hungary before, I ended up translating the prices of

snacks and beer on passing carts for many of the new students of Hungarian. In doing so, I made a few friends I would later run into in the evenings in restaurants or at the outdoor music programs, which ranged from traditional Hungarian folk music to Arabic inspired music and even Texas-style blues.

Like most of Europe this summer, Hungary was hot. In my apartment, even with the curtains drawn, I had to reposition myself in the room several times each day to avoid the slow

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## REEI Welcomes New Faculty Members

Musicologist **Lynn Hooker** joined Indiana University's Hungarian Studies faculty in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies this fall. She completed her graduate studies at the University of Chicago in 2001 and comes to Indiana from the University of Richmond. Research for her dissertation entitled "Modernism



*Hooker and Phillips enjoyed the REEI Fall Reception*

Meets Nationalism: Bela Bartok and the Musical Life of pre-World War I Budapest" was supported by a Fulbright Fellowship in Hungary. She is currently revising her work into a book, provisionally titled "From Liszt to Bartok: Redefining Hungarian Music." Her areas of interest include music and modernism; national, transnational and global identities;

Eastern European minority issues, particularly those related to the Roma (Gypsies) and the minorities of Transylvania; and gender in music and dance.

**Sarah Phillips** comes to IU to strengthen our anthropology department in the area of Russia and Eastern Europe. Most recently, she taught for one-year at the Uni-

versity of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. She completed her PhD in 2002 at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Her dissertation was entitled "'Civil' Societies and 'Evil' States: Ambiguities of Women's NGO Organizing and Paternalism in Post-Soviet Ukraine." Her research interests include post-socialist trans-

formations, civil society and non-governmental organizations, medical anthropology, post-Chernobyl health and healing, and disability studies.

**Beate Sissenich** joins the Department of Political Science this fall as a specialist in European Union enlargement to the east. She recently completed her dissertation, "State-Building by a Non-State: European Union Enlargement and the Diffusion of EU Social Policy in Poland and Hungary"



at Cornell University. Her research interests include the formation and functioning of regional systems; transnational policy networks; inter-governmental, state and non-state actors; and transnational contentious politics.

### The Robert F. Byrnes Memorial Fellowship Fund: Supporting Academic Excellence Today and Tomorrow 2003 Contributors

We would like to thank all of those who contributed in 2003 to the Robert F. Byrnes Memorial graduate student fellowship fund. The fund is named in honor of Robert F. Byrnes, a founder, and for many years the director, of REEI. Bob Byrnes believed strongly in the importance of preparing qualified area specialists. Students of REEI continue to benefit from the legacy of Byrnes' leadership while the nation as a whole benefits from the number of REEI graduates employed in the federal government and non-governmental organizations involved in humanitar-

ian and educational aid missions around the world.

Eleanor Byrnes and her children are the principal contributors, but many others are helping out as well. The following individuals have donated to the fund thus far in 2003: Lois Beekey, Michael Gould and Allison Ritter, Lloyd and Joan Jordan, Sarah Kent, Sharon and David Mason, Norma Noonan, Carl and Colette Reddel, Christine Rydel and Edward Cole, Eleanor Valentine, and Louis Wagner.



## Seregny

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achievements as a scholar were matched by his accomplishments in the classroom. He felt teaching to be his main vocation and his classes were filled with students attracted by his reputation for high standards (and) engaging lectures,” and that “during his illness his former students made sure he knew how deeply he had touched their lives.” I personally witnessed many occasions when students approached us in downtown Indianapolis to chat with Scott and to embarrass him with spontaneous testimonies of his impact as a teacher. And while IUPUI does not have a doctoral program in history, Scott played a remarkable role mentoring and nourishing the careers of many younger colleagues, among them Sally Boniece, Jim Andrews, David Darrow, and Willard Sunderland. The strength of the ties these scholars had with Scott was evident during his last days. In a private service held for Scott this summer, many of his junior colleagues testified to Scott’s enormous and immediate role

in relieving their initial anxieties; simply by his presence they felt they would be treated fairly and generously, as they put it. As Dr. Phil Scarpino, Chair of the History Department at IUPUI confirmed, Scott was loved and admired by his colleagues not only for his interpersonal warmth and humor, but because he always shouldered more than his share of the routine duties in running a department. In addition, his professional judgment was highly regarded; Scott served ably on the Executive Committee of REEI, on promotion and salary committees, and on search committees.

In his appraisal of Scott’s scholarly work, Professor Larry Holmes concluded that “Scott Seregny is in the middle of a most productive scholarly career.” Sadly, it is now over. As his colleagues at IUPUI wrote, “(we) mourn the loss of a great friend—a gentle and courageous man whose advice, help, and encouraging words (we) could always count on...His collegiality, sense of humor, and reassuring presence...will be sorely missed.”

## Wiles

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United States, and Tim generously agreed to carry them with him on his return.

Tim brought Poland back to Bloomington. During his many years as director, the Polish Studies Center was a hub of activities and events. Each Christmas season, the gatherings at the center, accompanied by Polish carols and food, were moments of genuine pleasure and immersion in Polish traditions for American students and colleagues. Tim made the Polish Studies Center a lively environment where scholars exchanged ideas, discussed books and films, and where conferences and workshops thrived. Through federal grants and contacts, he ensured the continuing prominence and visibility of the center.

Tim’s contributions to Poland will have a lasting effect. His legacy is the

continuing impact on the lives of those he taught and assisted: IU and Polish students, visiting scholars and political figures associated with the Polish Studies Center.

In a letter in our archive, one my colleagues referred to Tim’s diplomatic skills and to his “extraordinary dedication, selfless devotion,” and to his “extraordinary gracious and modest manner... academic objectivity and integrity in all endeavors.” I can only concur.

Tim’s life was an affirmation of triumph over adversity; of accomplishment despite personal anguish; of abiding love for his wife Mary and for their son David; of generosity of spirit and of a commitment to values of human understanding and of peace. What more can we ask of a life? His was a life well spent.

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but steady march of the sun. I quickly took note and subsequently adopted the habits of the local citizens walking to and from the center of town on the shady sides of the streets, taking siestas, and emerging from their homes and businesses in the very early or very late hours of the day. Although the heat made moving around during the day somewhat irksome, sitting outside in the evenings was conducive to working or simply relaxing. My evenings were rarely spent alone. I was the guest of several of the unfailingly hospitable Hungarians that I met, enjoying traditionally cooked *lecsó* (cooked outside over an open fire) and sitting on back porches, surrounded by flowers, sipping a beer, and talking into the early hours of the morning.

For an aspiring student of political science, Hungary (and Eastern Europe in general) has a great deal to offer to our collective understanding of the process of political democratization and economic liberalization. With looming EU membership, the politics of many Eastern European countries have remained tumultuous and exciting, long after the initial chaos of democratization. Aside from the work, a return to Hungary was a welcome event for me. Having lived there for two years, I was eager to visit with friends and renew contacts. Like many people who have traveled and lived in the region, I always experience a feeling of “home” while there. My interest in and enthusiasm for the region is rejuvenated.

*Matt Loveless is a graduate student in the Department of Political Science.*

## Welcome to Visiting Scholars

**Yeon-Ho Chung** is a visiting fellow in the Russian and East European Institute. He is a professor of Russian language and literature at the Catholic University of Daegu, Korea. Nina Perlina is his mentor.

**Wim Condenys** is a month-long visiting scholar from the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium. As a Lilly Library Helms Fellow, he is continuing research on his project concerning “gray zones” between émigrés and Soviet citizens in Western Europe between the two world wars. David Ransel (REEL/History) is his faculty mentor.

**Vasily Nikitenko**, a professor at St. Petersburg University, is a Fellow of the Junior Faculty Development Program. He specializes in criminal law and criminology. His current research is on “The Prison Project: the Baltic Sea,” which aims to poll convicts in the Baltic Sea area. Dennis Rome (Criminal Justice) is his faculty mentor.

**Lynn Sargeant** (PhD History 2001) is a visiting scholar with the Russian and East European Institute from California State University - Fullerton. She will spend the year

researching “Music, Education, and Society: Teaching and Learning Music and Civilization in Late Imperial Russia.” Her research is supported by the National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Fund. Ben Eklof (History) is her faculty mentor.

**Denis Shaburov** is a visiting scholar from the Russian State Humanitarian University in Moscow where he is a professor of Library and Archival Science. He is interested in learning about internet-based resources for distance education. Michael Parrish (Business/SPEA Librarian) is his faculty mentor.

**Aynur Timerkhanov** is a professor of foreign languages at the Tatar State Humanitarian Institute in Kazan, Russia. He hopes to gain experience he can use to establish a lingu-culture institute at his home institution. He is working with the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures and the Department of Linguistics. His faculty mentors are Zaineb Istrabadi (NELC) and Steven Franks (Linguistics).

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## 2003 REEI Mellon Endowment Awards

### Faculty Awards

**Maria Bucur** (History) received an international travel grant to attend the Workshop on Politics and Memory in Edinburgh where she presented “Historical Myths of Heroism: The Dialogue between Official and Vernacular Voices.”

**Henry Hale** (Political Science) was awarded a Summer Faculty Research Fellowship to support research on his current project, “Electoral Markets, Party Substitutes, and Stalled Democratization in Russia.”

**Hiroaki Kuromiya** (History) received a grant-in-aid of research to support his current project “The Political Leaders of Ukraine, 1938-1989.”

**Alexander Rabinowitch** (Emeritus, History) received an international travel grant to support presentations at two conferences: the first was a presentation of a paper on his father at the conference St. Petersburg University: History and the Present; the second supported participation in the conference, Worldwide Social Democracy : Theory, History, and the Present where he presented “Social Democratic Tendencies among Bolsheviks: From the February 1917 Revolution to the Constituent Assembly.”

**Marci Shore** (History) received a grant-in-aid of research to support travel to Poland where she completed research for her current project, “Caviar and Ashes: Warsaw’s *Fin-de-sielce* Generation’s Rendezvous with Marxism, 1918-1968.”

### Student Awards

**Ilze Akerbergs** (Folklore) received a grant-in-aid of research to support travel to Latvia where she continued work on her dissertation, “Commemoration and Democratization in Life Narrative Collecting: Two case studies in Latvia and Brazil.”

**Janel Anderson** (REEI) received a grant-in-aid of research to support travel to Alaska where she completed archival research for her project “The Consequences of the 1967 Purchase of Alaska on Existing Russian Population.”

**Kuatbay Bektemirov** (SPEA) received a grant-in-aid of travel to support participation in the Ninth Annual Conference of the Central and Inner Asian Seminar at the University of Toronto where he presented “A Market Approach for Water Use in Central Asia: Instituting the Bank of the Aral Sea and Grass-root Water User Associations.”

**Martin Blackwell** (History) received a grant-in-aid to support participation in the Central Slavic Association conference in Lawrence, Kansas where he presented “‘An Investigation Has Established...’: the Communist Party Elite and the New Rigidity of the Soviet Union’s Social Structure in the Mid-1940s – The Case of Kyiv, Ukraine.”

**Kara Brown** (Education) received a grant-in-aid of travel to participate in the Ninth International Conference on Minority Languages in Kiruna, Sweden, where she presented “A Reluctant Minority?: Regional Identity and Language Policy in Southern Estonia during EU Accession.”

**Janis Cakars** (Journalism) received a grant-in-aid of travel to participate in the 2003 International Communication Association conference in San Diego where he presented “Media in the Arsenal of Nonviolence, Latvia 1986-1991.”

**Melissa Cakars** (History) received a grant-in-aid to support travel to the 2003 Central Slavic Association conference in Lawrence, Kansas where she presented, “Settling the Buriats: A Comparison of Two Government Policies.”

**Bjorn Ingvaldstad** (Culture and Communication) received a grant-in-aid of travel to participate in the 2003 Society for Cinema and Media Studies conference where he presented “Reality TV, Identity, and Post-Socialist Transition: A Case Study from Lithuania.”

**Emily Ray** (REEI/SLIS) received a grant-in-aid of travel to support MA research in Prague, Czech Republic regarding the damage and restoration of books after the August 2002 flood.

**Luke Potoski** (CEUS/SPEA) received a grant-in-aid of travel to support participation in the Ninth Annual Conference of the Central and Inner Asian Seminar at the University of Toronto to present “A Market Approach for Water Use in Central Asia: Instituting the Bank of the Aral Sea and Grass-root Water User Associations.”

**Doyle Stevick** (Education) received a grant-in-aid of travel to support his participation in the D.C. conference: A Europe of Many Cultures in Braga, Portugal, where he presented “The Dynamics of Civic Education Development in Post-Communist Countries: Observations, Issues and Questions Raised by the Case of Estonia.”

## Welcome to New MA Students

**Richard Bakewell** graduated in 1998 from Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia with a BS in biology and BA in religion. He recently returned from time with the Peace Corps in Bulgaria where he secured a grant to implement an aquaculture project at the Roussenski Lom nature park. Richard is currently pursuing a joint MA/MPA with REEI and SPEA. He is interested in environmental affairs – specifically addressing the Balkans – and the accession of East European nations to the EU.



*New and returning students, staff, and visiting scholars enjoy the annual REEI Fall Picnic*

**Christopher Collins** received his bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri in Russian studies with a minor in history. After completing his degree he decided to improve his knowledge by living in Russia, where he taught English in St. Petersburg. He is now focusing on contemporary Russia and citizenship problems in the Baltics.

**Che Clark** received his BA in history in 2001 from IU – Southeast. He is studying Czech and is interested in postwar Czechoslovakia and Germany.

**Matt Curtis** is studying Southeastern Europe with a special emphasis on Serbia and Albania. He graduated in August 2003 from Brigham Young University with a BA in linguistics. Between his 1st and 2nd years at BYU Matt served a mission for the

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Albania Tirana Mission. Matt and his wife Barbie have two daughters, Sarah and Mary.

**Thomas Fiske** received his BA at Purdue University in sociology with a minor in psychology and certification in Russian. He was a Resident Director for Arizona Russia Abroad (ARA) in 2001 in Moscow. He is interested in contemporary Russian life, education in Russia, culture, politics, and economics. He plans to pursue a PhD after his MA work.

**Deborah Gibbs** graduated in 2001 from the University of Connecticut, Storrs with a BA in economics. She is a student in Indiana University's dual MA/MPA degree. She is interested in economic and political development in Poland.

**Neil Gipson** is originally from Nebraska and graduated from Grinnell College (Iowa) in 1999 with a degree in anthropology. He worked as a Peace Corps volunteer in the city of Perm, Russia from 2000 to 2002, following which he worked in the nonprofit sector in Washington, DC. He is studying for the dual degree with SPEA and is interested in the intersection between Russian history and contemporary Russian economic, social, and political activity.

**Phillip Hart** graduated from the University of South Florida in 2003 with a degree in history. While living in Tampa, he worked in marketing at Fisher Scientific for five years. He is a MA student specializing in Central Eurasian politics and economic development. Following his studies, he plans to pursue a career in the foreign service. Phil lives with his fiancée and his dog in Bloomington.

**Stephanie Hockman** hails most recently from Kansas City, where she lived and worked for the last 2 years in an HR department of a national mortgage company. In her previous life, she was a Peace Corps volunteer in Russia, where she taught Business English in a Public Service Academy in Kaluga. Stephanie graduated from the University of Virginia with a BA in history, focusing on Eastern Europe. She speaks Russian and has been attempting to learn Spanish in the last year. After completing her studies in REEI and SPEA, she hopes to gain employment with a nonprofit organization in Russia or one of the Central Asian republics.

**Karen Kowal** graduated from the University of Wisconsin – Madison in 1996 with a B.S. in education and a BA in German. Before coming to IU she was a Peace Corps volunteer and also worked with the Sylvan Learning Center. At IU she is pursuing a dual MA/MPA with SPEA.

**Lyndsay Miles** graduated from the University of Washington in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in history and a minor in Russian. She is pursuing a MA degree in Russian Area Studies focusing on Russia and the Caucasus, Georgia in particular.



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## Welcome to Visiting Faculty

**Malgorzata Cavar** returns to IU for her second year as a visiting faculty member to teach first- and second-year Polish. She recently completed her PhD at the Universität Potsdam on Polish palatalization.



*Cavar and Martinovic*

**Blazenska Martinovic** will be at IU for the 2003-2004 academic year as a lecturer of Serbian/Croatian. She comes to IU from the University of

Rijeka, Republic of Croatia by means of an exchange program organized by Henry Cooper, Professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures.

**Krzysztof Koehler** is a visiting faculty member teaching advanced Polish and Polish literature. He is sponsored by the Kosciuszko Foundation for the fall semester at IU. He has been a part of Polish Studies Center activities in the past, reading his poetry and leading a discussion of it in October 2002.



*Koehler*

## Gardner

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MA and PhD students, and adds that he has “mentored a steady stream of guests to IU, most recently Zarema Kasendeyeva, one of three western trained PhD economists in Kyrgyzstan. She is an Open Societies Institute Fellow who will be visiting IU for the third year next spring.”

In November Gardner will be leading a session at AAASS in Toronto titled “The Challenge of Teaching and Research in the CIS.” Gardner finds REEI an indispensable resource, because it furnishes him with a network of regional specialists as colleagues. According to Gardner, the institute is one of the main reasons he came to Indiana University 20 years ago, and he emphasizes that his “ability to function would be much diminished if it wasn’t for REEI.”

*Che Clark is a MA student in REEI.*

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## IU Participants in the AAASS Conference

**The National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS) will be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, November 20-23, 2003**

### *Faculty Papers*

**Michael Alexeev** (Economics): "Through the Lenses of the Security Dilemma: Explaining Anti-Migrant Perceptions in Russia"; and "Adam Smith, Taxation, and Fiscal Federalism in Russia"

**Robert Campbell** (Emeritus, Economics): "Challenges to Higher Education in the CIS"

**Aurelian Craiutu** (Political Science): "Then and Now: Post-1789 France and Post-1989 Eastern Europe"

**Charles Halperin** (REEL): "Administrative Discretion in Ivan IV's Muscovy"

**Jeffrey Isaac** (Political Science): "Contested Meanings of 1989"

**Robert Kravchuk** (SPEA): "The Elections of 1994 as an Economic Event"

**Hiroaki Kuromiya** (History): "Collaboration and Resistance during the German Occupation: Critical Thoughts"

**Alexander Rabinowitch** (Emeritus, History): "Bolshevik-Left SR Relations, 1917-1918"

**David Ransel** (REEI/History): "A Provincial Merchant Faces the Court"

**Marci Shore** (History): "'They didn't even invite me...': How Warsaw's *Fin-de-Sielce* Generation Departed from Marxism"

**Frank Thackeray** (History – IU Southwest): "Farce or Tragedy: The Constitution of the Polish Congress Kingdom"

**Jeffrey Veidlinger** (History): "Through the Past to Modernity: The Making of Russian Jewish History"

### *Student Papers*

**Martin Blackwell** (History): "'In essence, the capital is being settled all over again': Kyiv, Ukraine after the Soviet Evacuation and Nazi Occupation, 1943-1945"

**Mara Lazda** (History): "Gender and Population Politics: Soviet Deportation of the Latvians, 1941, 1945, 1949"

**Jill Massino** (History): "'They Told Us We Had to Reconstruct What the Germans Destroyed': Women's Stories of Deportation from Romania to the USSR, 1945"

**Dana M. Ohren** (History): "All the Tsar's Men: Universal Conscription, Minorities, and Evasion in Imperial Russia, 1874-1905"

**Matthew Denali Pauly** (History): "In Defense of the Child: The Limits of Ukrainian Language Schooling in Soviet Ukraine, 1925-1933"

**Joseph David Prestia** (History): "Nations of 'Latin-ness' on Italo-Romanian Relations, 1914-1916"

**Donald Reindl** (Slavics): "A Fungus by Any Other Name: Slovene Mycological Loan Translations"

**Angela White** (History): "You Don't Need Teeth to Eat Borscht: Assimilation and Citizenship in the Polish-Jewish Press, 1918-1939"

**Nathaniel Wood** (History): "'The Slippery Slope to Moral Ruin': Women and Children in the City"

### *Panel Chairs*

**Jack Bielasiak** (Political Science): Layers of Decisions: What Influences Public Policy Choice in Poland?

**Bernd Fischer** (History – IU Fort Wayne): Albanian Society in Transition

**Roy Gardner** (Economics): Challenges to Research and Higher Education in the CIS

**Henry Hale** (Political Science): Unanswered Questions about Russian Elections

**Charles Jelavich** (History): Nationalism and Economic Development: Bohemia, Croatia, and Greece in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries

**Bill Johnston** (TESOL/Applied Linguistics): Nostalgia for the Past, Nostalgia for the Future: Cultural Paradoxes in Poland's Present

**Robert Kravchuk** (SPEA): Democratization and Regime Type in Ukraine: Domestic and International Factors

**Hiroaki Kuromiya** (History): Sons of Brothers?: Politics in the Soviet Periphery between the World Wars

**David Ransel** (REEI/History): Teaching Post-Soviet Culture and Society

**Marci Shore** (History): Taking 1989 Seriously: Political Theory and Political Change in East-Central Europe

### *Panel Discussants*

**Ben Eklof** (History): Recent Developments on Russian/Eurasian Education

**Charles Halperin** (REEL): Variations on the Eurasianist Theme in Thought and Deed

**Charles Jelavich** (History): Italy and the Balkans during the Great War: New Research and Perspectives

### *Roundtable Participants*

**Murlin Croucher** (Library Science): Library Exchanges in the New Millennium

**Henry Hale** (Political Science): Putin's Federal Reforms: Success or Failure?

**Jeffrey Veidlinger** (History): Acing the Academic Job Market: Practical Advice for Applicants

## Faculty News

**Jack Bielasiak** (Political Science) chaired a panel, "Rethinking Theories of Democratization," at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting held in Chicago in April. He recently published a chapter entitled, "Institutionalizing Electoral Democracy in Post-Communist States" in Donald R. Kelley, ed. *After Communism: Perspectives on Democracy* (University of Arkansas Press, 2003) pp.187-220. Bielasiak also presented "Party Competitiveness in Emerging Democracies: Post-Communism in Comparative Perspective," at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia in August. He chaired and acted as a discussant for a panel, "Civil Society in Post-Communism" at the same meeting.

**Yuri Bregel** (CEUS) recently published *The Historical Atlas of Central Asia* (Brill Academic Publishing, Leiden, The Netherlands: 2003). His *Bibliography of Islamic Central Asia, Parts I-III* was also recently released by the Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies at Indiana University (Bloomington, IN: 2003).

**Maria Bucur** (History) was tenured and promoted to associate professor.

**Aurelian Craiutu** (Political Science) published "Rethinking Political Power" in *European Journal of Political Theory* 2, no. 2 (2003).

**Devin DeWeese** (CEUS and RIFIAS) was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship to reward his past accomplishments and recognize his future promise. He was also promoted to full professor.

**Andrew Durkin** (Slavics) published "A Guide to the Guides: Writing about Birds in Russia in the Nineteenth Century" *Russian Studies in Literature* 39, no. 3 (Summer 2003): 4-24, and "Pushkin and Joseph Conrad: From the Povesti Belkina to the Limits of Parody" in *American Contributions to the XIII International Congress of Slavists* (Slavica, 2003), 76-84. The first was part of a series of articles on Russian nature and nature writing published in 2 issues of *Russian Studies in Literature*. The second was in the volume of American contributions for the International Congress of Slavists in Ljubljana.

**William Fierman** (CEUS, IAUNRC, and CeLCAR) was promoted to full professor.

**Roy Gardner** (Economics) presented "Tolling the Rhine in 1254: Complementary Monopoly Revisited" at the annual meetings of the European Economic Association in Stockholm, 19-24 August. He presented the paper "Dollarization in Ukraine: 1991 to the Present" at Cornell University and again at Cambridge University in September. Gardner, who is Academic Director of Economics Education and Research Consortium (EERC), co-

wrote a World Bank grant application and secured a 3-year, \$900,000 research grant from the World Bank for the EERC, Ukrainian National University "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy." With this funding, EERC will conduct policy relevant research on transition economies, including the first ever longitudinal study of Ukrainian households. Distinguished Professor of Economics (Emeritus) Robert Campbell, who co-founded EERC in 1996, will head the panel that awards funding.

**Halina Goldberg** (Musicology) was in Krakow on a short-term faculty exchange program with the Jagiellonian University this summer, researching 19th-century Polish topics, including the musical and cultural contexts of Chopin's youth and the assimilation of Jews and Jewish topics into the mainstream tradition during the 19th century.

**Henry Hale** (Political Science), with co-investigators Timothy Colton, Michael McFaul, and Robert Ortung, has received a \$50,000 grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York. The grant will fund a mass voter survey and reports from a network of election-district correspondents in connection with the December 7, 2003, Russian parliamentary election. He will be in Russia this fall carrying out his research. They have also secured funding from the National Council for Eurasian and East European Research. Hale delivered "Divided We Stand: Institutional Sources of Ethnofederal State



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Survival and Collapse” at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting held in Chicago in April. He was also a chair and discussant of a panel, “Ethnicity, Politics, and Violence.” His paper, “Divided We Stand: Ethnofederalism as Problem and Solution in Divided Countries”, was one of the three winners of the 2003 paper competition of the Project to Combat Political Violence sponsored by Columbia University’s Institute of War and Peace Studies. In August he presented “Explaining Machine Politics in Russia’s Regions: Economy, Ethnicity, Legacy” at the American Political Science Association’s 2003 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia.

**Mark Hooker** (REEI) presented “Ten Rings for Russian Men” at MythCon XXXIV (25-28 July 2003), a North American Tolkien conference hosted by the American Tolkien Society. He also presented a slide show of Russian illustrations of J.R.R. Tolkien’s *The Hobbit*. He published 3 new articles: “Nine Russian Translations of *The Lord of the Rings*” in *Tolkien in Translation*. Thomas Honegger (ed.), Zurich and Berne: Walking Tree Publishers, 2003; “Gollandskij samizdat: *Vlastelin Kolets v perevode Mensink-van Warmelo*” [Dutch Samizdat: The Mensink-van Warmelo translation of *The Lord of the Rings*], *Palantir* (the journal of the St. Petersburg Tolkien Society), No. 39, 2003; and “The Hunt for Red October.” *Translation Journal*

7, no. 3 (July 2003). Hooker presented a paper at Nimbus-2003, a three-day international Harry Potter Symposium held in Orlando, FL (17-20 July 2003). The paper was entitled “Tanya Grotter: A Harry Potter Knock-off or Parody?”

**Owen V. Johnson** (Journalism/History) will be spending the 2003/04 academic year on sabbatical in Slovakia and the Czech Republic, working on a book, “Media and Nation in 20th Century Slovakia,” supported by a grant from the International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX).

**Bill Johnston** (TESOL/Applied Linguistics and Polish Studies Center) was tenured and promoted to associate professor. Johnston published a book entitled *Teacher Professional Development for the Less Commonly Taught Languages*, co-written with Louis Janus (Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota, Center for Advanced Research on Language Acquisition: 2003). His most recent translation, “The Noonday Cemetery and Other Stories,” was published by New Directions in June 2003. He spent the summer traveling in Poland and Central Asia, and completing his translation of Juliusz Slowacki’s “Balladyna.”

**Robert Kravchuk** (SPEA) has been awarded a Trustees’ Teaching Award for 2003. This recognition is given to the top three percent of instructors at the university.

**Janusz Mucha** (IU-South Bend

Visiting Fulbright Scholar from Nicolaus Copernicus University in Poland) and **Mike F. Keen** (Sociology, IU-South Bend) published *Sociology in Central and Eastern Europe: Transformation at the Dawn of a New Millennium* (Greenwood, Summer 2003). It was featured in one of the Meet the Authors sessions at this year’s meetings of the European Sociological Association held in Murcia, Spain at the end of September.

**Alexander Rabinowitch** (Emeritus, History) has been appointed to the International Advisory Board of the History faculty at the European University in St. Petersburg. His essay, “Moisei Uritskii: Robespierre of Revolutionary Petrograd,” was the lead article in a recent issue of the Russian historical journal *Otechesvennaia istoria*. A new Russian edition of his book, *The Bolsheviks Come to Power*, has just been published. In May, he delivered a paper on his father, “Eugene Rabinowitch: A Voice of Conscience for the Atomic Age,” at an international conference on “Famous Graduate of St. Petersburg University” in St. Petersburg. Both of these projects were connected with St. Petersburg’s 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Janet Rabinowitch** (IU Press) was named Director of the Indiana University Press.

**David Ransel** (REEI/History) published an article in Russian: “*Kul’tura detorozhdeniia u*

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*belorusskikh, evreiskikh i tatarskikh zhenshchin na territorii Belarusi kontsa XIX-nachala XX v.,"* a chapter in *Zhenshchiny na kraiu Evropy*, ed. Elena Gapova (Minsk, 2003), 74-88.

**Toivo Raun** (CEUS) participated in a Symposium on the Baltic in the 21st Century and Current Issues in Baltic Studies at the Baltic Studies Summer Institute 2003 hosted by the University of Washington, Seattle in August.

**Jean Robinson** (Political Science) was promoted to full professor.

**Marci Shore** (History) spent the first part of the summer at the Kulturwissenschaftliches Institut in Essen, Germany as part of the institute's larger project "Europe and Love." She presented a paper titled "Love in the Time of Revolution: Intimacy, Betrayal and Marxism." Shore spent the remainder of the summer in Warsaw. Her research included use of interior ministry files, which have recently become available through the Instytut Pamieci Narodowej (Institute of National Memory).

**Mihaly Szegedy-Maszak** (CEUS/Comparative Literature) was awarded the Szechenyi Prize by Ferenc Madl, president of the Hungarian Republic, for his internationally recognized scholarly activities

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## Student News

**Alex Dunlop** (REEI/SPEA) is currently interning with Urban-In, a non-profit organization in Novi Pazar, Serbia. He is advising the recruiting process and managing volunteers for their projects related to youth leadership and conflict resolution. He arranged the internship through Freedom House's American Volunteers in International Development (AVID) program.

**Leslie Lutz** (REEI/SPEA) received second place in the ACTR National Russian Essay Contest conducted in the spring. Her award was one of three given for level 3 non-heritage learners. Ronald Feldstein was her professor.

**Heather McDougall** (Political Science) recently presented "Living in Truth or Syracuse: Vaclav Havel as 'Philotyrant' or Philosopher-King?" at the 2003 MPSA conference and the Western Political Science Association meeting, Denver, March 26-30. This paper has been nominated for the Westview Press Award. She was also invited to de-

liver a lecture at Central Asian Presidency and Leadership Conference in Almaty, Kazakhstan, April 18-21, 2003.

**Dana Ohren** (History) is currently teaching two history courses at IU-Southeast as part of the Future Teachers and Faculty Program and completing her dissertation entitled "All the Tsars' Men: Minorities and Conscription in Late Imperial Russia, 1874- 1905."

**Natasha Ruser** (undergraduate – Slavics) received third place in the ACTR National Russian Essay Contest conducted in the spring. Her award was one of three given for level 4 non-heritage learners. Nina Perlina was her professor.

**Melissa Schnyder** (Political Science) presented "East-West Migration: Evaluations of Economic Reform, Political Reform, and Support for the European Union" at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, April 3-6.

## Ukraine

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versity students on their way to the United Kingdom for summer jobs picking raspberries and harvesting broccoli in locales ranging from Salisbury to the Scottish Highlands. They seemed excited about this new British government-inspired opportunity to travel and live abroad with their friends. But it was obvious they also knew they had accepted low-paying jobs that the locals would not do.

Still, the very arrangement seemed to me the kernel of a more positive give and take between Europe and Ukraine and a step towards a merger that will be mutually beneficial. It will be intriguing to watch Ukraine this coming year to see if the country will continue to demonstrate to the West that it wants to keep these processes of development on track.

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## Faculty News

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that have influenced the evolution of contemporary Hungarian literary studies.

**Herbert Terry** (Telecommunications) was named the Director of the "Global Village Living-Learning Center," a joint project of the College of Arts and Sciences and IU's Residential Programs and Services. The Center, scheduled to open in Fall 2004, will give freshmen and sophomores interested in foreign languages, international studies, politics, overseas study and other international interests a common place to live and learn.

**Jeffrey Veidlinger** (History) was tenured and promoted to associate professor.

**Bronislava Volkova** (Slavics) participated this summer in a conference, *Poetics of Exile*, in Auckland, New Zealand, organized by the Comparative Literature Department of the University of Auckland. The conference focused on an orientation away from the center including neglected cultures, poetry readings, art exhibits, and participation of the Maori culture. She gave a paper entitled, "Exile Inside and Out," and a poetry reading called "Transforming the Absence." She was invited to participate in a colloquium, "Women Writers in Exile," in a plenary session, and gave a public performance of her poetry, "Entering Light" in with other poets and musicians from Bulgaria, Hungary, China, Cyprus, Fiji, Nigeria, and Iraq.

## Alumni News

**Mark Betka** (MA REEI/MPA SPEA 2003) accepted a Presidential Management Intern placement with the State Department in the Office of International Information Programs, Office of Copyright and Print Publications.

**Mary Dakin** (PhD Political Science 1998) and **John Aney** (MA Theatre History 1999) are pleased to announce the birth of their son, William Aney, October 12, 2002. Mary continues her position as Assistant Director at the Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies at Stanford University, and is also a lecturer in Political Science at San Jose State University. John is a business analyst at Nokia.

**Ed Dolan** (REEI Certificate 1966) and **Katherine (Kitty) Dolan** (REEI Certificate 1966) continue to be actively involved in business education in Eastern Europe. They will spend time at three schools in the region this year, where Ed will teach economics and Kitty will teach business ethics. In the fall their time will be split between the Stockholm School of Economics program in Riga and Central European University Business School in Budapest. In January and February, they will visit a brand new MBA program in Zagreb, the International Graduate Business School (IGBS). Two of these programs have a strong IU connection. The Academic Director of the MBA program at CEU is Paul Marer, a long-time faculty member at IU's Business School, and this school is the principal US partner of the IGBS venture in Zagreb.

**William Eastwood** (MA REEI 2003) was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship for year-long study in Tbilisi, Georgia. He will be studying Georgian

at the International Center for Georgian Language and will also pursue research on church-state relations using local archives, libraries, and political institutions.

**Lesley E. Davis** (MA CEUS 1998) accepted a position as the Director of International Programs at the Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington.

**Helena Goscilo** (PhD Slavics 1976) received an IREX award to support the research of her book, *Fade from Red: Screening the Ex-Enemy During the Nineties* in Moscow.

Lieutenant Colonel **William Lahue** (MA REEI 1995) United States Security Assistance Office, Almaty, Kazakhstan recently published "Security Assistance in Kazakhstan: Building a Partnership for the Future" in *The DISAM Journal of International Security Assistance Management*. 25, no.1-2 (Fall and Winter): 6-18.

**Guntis Smidchens** (MA REEI 1990) was interviewed in the *Seattle Post-Intelligence Reporter* regarding the summer solstice. He is a senior lecturer in Baltic Studies and a folklorist at the University of Washington. He also published "Why Study Baltic Languages?" in the May 2003 *NewsNet*, the newsletter for the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies.

**Bradley Woodworth** (PhD History 2003) presented a lecture, "Subjects and Citizens: Empires and Imperialism in Baltic History" at the Baltic Studies Summer Institute 2003 at the University of Washington, Seattle in July.

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