The A List
Awards and Honours
APRIL 2017

ALEXANDER VON HUMBOLDT RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
From 2017 to 2019, Dr. Scott Matthews is an Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow at the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES) at the University of Mannheim (Mannheim, Germany). Dr. Matthews specializes in the study of elections, voting and public opinion. The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation enables highly-qualified scientists and scholars from abroad, who completed their doctorates less than twelve years ago, to spend extended periods of time in Germany conducting research. Candidates are selected solely on the basis of the evaluation of their academic qualification. This is Dr. Matthews second prestigious fellowship as he spent the 2016-17 academic year as a Fulbright Visiting Research Chair at Vanderbilt University (Nashville, Tennessee).

FELLOW, ENGINEERING INSTITUTE of CANADA
Dr. Leonard Lye, associate dean, graduate studies, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, was inducted as a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada (EIC) on April 1 for his exceptional contributions to the engineering profession. He was one of 20 engineers in Canada inducted during the institute’s annual awards gala in Gatineau, PQ. (more here)

RICHARD MARCEAU-FOGO ISLAND RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
Dr. Marceau, who served as Memorial’s vice-president (research) from 2013 until he passed away in September 2016, helped to establish the Fogo Island Research Fellowship through a partnership with the Shorefast Foundation. The fellowship will now be known as the Richard Marceau-Fogo Island Research Fellowship. “Renaming this research fellowship is a fitting tribute to Dr. Marceau who was instrumental in its creation and made a lasting contribution to Memorial,” said Dr. Ray Gosine, vice-president (research) pro tempore.

Elected fellows will spend four weeks in a home owned by the Shorefast Foundation — which is dedicated to the economic and cultural revitalization of Fogo Island — to complete their manuscript on the results of a major research project or to complete a work of artistic creation.

Learn more online about applying for the Richard Marceau-Fogo Island Research Fellowship.

2016 Ig Nobel prize for MEDICINE — Christoph Helmchen, Carina Palzer, Thomas Münte, Silke Anders, and Andreas Sprenger, for discovering that if you have an itch on the left side of your body, you can relieve it by looking into a mirror and scratching the right side of your body (and vice versa). REFERENCE: “Itch Relief by Mirror Scratching. A Psychophysical Study,” Christoph Helmchen, Carina Palzer, Thomas F. Münte, Silke Anders, Andreas Sprenger, PLoS ONE, vol. 8, no 12, December 26, 2013, e82756.