VANIER AWARD

Sociologist, Dr. Barbara Neis, was awarded the Vanier Institute of the Family’s 2018 Mirabelli-Glossop Award for Distinguished Contribution for advancing the understanding of families in Canada. Several years ago, she began shifting her focus towards the study of employment-related geographical mobility and its impacts on workers and their families, employers and home and host communities. She is currently the project director for the On the Move Partnership which focuses on these issues. In a citation, the Vanier Institute of the Family stated: “As a result of On the Move, those who employ and support “families on the move” can draw from a rigorous and robust knowledge base to develop evidence-based politics, programs and practices.” (More here)

DISTINGUISHED TEACHER

Dr. Geoff Rideout, a professor in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, has received the 2018 Association of Atlantic Universities (AAU) Distinguished Teaching Award. For Dr. Rideout, the award is reassurance that his teaching techniques are effective and more reason for him to continue to improve. “It’s good to hear from the outside world that I’m doing some things that appear effective, innovative and impactful,” he said. “It has energized me to keep taking some risks, and to experiment with new methods of teaching and assessing.” (more here)

INTERNATIONAL HONOUR

Dr. Claude Daley, associate dean (research) and professor, Department of Ocean and Naval Architectural Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, is this year’s recipient of the Dr. Kenneth S. M. Davidson Medal, presented by the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME). Dr. Daley is considered one of the world’s leading authorities in ice class ship structures. SNAME noted that Dr. Daley has played a pivotal role in the development of the world’s polar shipping rules as well as one of its main precursors, the Canadian Arctic Shipping Pollution Prevention Regulations. (more here)

Ig Noble Prizes (2018):


From the office…

Lots of good news to relate this time around. In addition to the brilliant researchers described here we have received a record number of nominations for the President’s Award for Outstanding Research. It’s great to see all these deserving faculty getting some recognition. We wish you all a happy holiday season.

Upcoming deadlines:

• J. Tuzo Wilson Medal – Dec. 12
• Geological Association of Canada awards – Dec. 15
• Manning Innovation Awards – Dec. 17
• Electrochemical Society Awards Canadian Section – Dec. 31
• Henry G. Friesen International Prize in Health Research – Jan. 11
• Engineers Canada Awards – Jan. 11
• Northern Science Award – Jan. 31
• Canadian Applied and Industrial Mathematics Society awards – Jan. 31
• Canadian Association of Geographers awards – Jan. 31
• Weston Family Prize for Lifetime Achievement in Northern Research – Jan. 31
• Lasker Medical Research awards – Feb. 4
• Christopher Knapper Lifetime Achievement Award – Feb. 28

For more information on these and other awards, please see the Awards and Honours website:
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