



# DOWN TO EARTH



Newsletter of the Department of Earth Sciences, U.W.O.

Friday, February 20, 2009

## DEPT. EARTH SCIENCES COLLOQUIUM SERIES

**DR. JOERN DAVIDSEN**  
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**“Scaling, universality and  
spatiotemporal clustering in  
seismicity and rock fracture  
phenomena”**

**Friday February 27, 2009, 1.30 p.m.**

**Location: Kresge Bldg. room 203**

**>All Welcome<**

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## FOS Teaching Assistant Award Competition

The Faculty of Science has issued a call for nominations for the Teaching Assistant Award. As only one name from each department can be forwarded to the Faculty of Science, there will be an initial internal competition to determine the name of the person to be forwarded.

**Deadline: Fri. March 20, 2009, 4.00 p.m.**

All teaching faculty members and undergraduates are invited to nominate a favourite TA by e-mail to Mary Rice ([mrice@uwo.ca](mailto:mrice@uwo.ca)), with a short paragraph to support their nominations.

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## 14<sup>th</sup> International Clay Conference Canadian Student Travel Grant

Students are invited to apply for a travel grant to attend the 14<sup>th</sup> International Clay Conference “Micro et Nano: Scientiae Mare Magnum”, June 14-20, 2009 at the Calane Conference Centre, Nova Yardinia, near Castellaneta Marina, Italy (<http://www.14icc.org>).

The 11<sup>th</sup> International Clay Conference organizing committee (Ottawa, 1997, Canada) has donated funds to the Mineralogical Association of Canada Foundation for a travel grant to enable graduate students in Canada (or a Canadian studying abroad) to attend ICC meetings. A grant of \$1200 will allow a student to present his/her research at the 14<sup>th</sup> ICC meeting, in either an oral or poster presentation. Please see the Mineralogical Association of Canada website for details ([www.mineralogicalassociation.ca/index.php?p=101](http://www.mineralogicalassociation.ca/index.php?p=101)).

**Deadline: March 1, 2009.**

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## Grand Opening of the Centre for Planetary Science & Exploration (CPSX) and the Canadian Lunar Research Network (CLRN) Friday February 27, 2009

This event will feature talks by representatives from the Canadian Space Agency and NASA, as well as poster displays, research talks and evening public lectures about Odyssey Moon and the mars Phoenix Lander. The exact schedule will be announced later.

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