



# DOWN TO EARTH



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

Friday, March 13, 2009

## EARTH SCIENCES COLLOQUIA SERIES

**Dr. Youxue Zhang,**  
Dept. Geological Sciences  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

**"Growth and dissolution of bubbles  
and crystals in melts and water"**

**Friday March 20, 2009, 1.30 p.m.**  
**Kresge Bldg. room 203.**

>All Welcome<

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**18<sup>th</sup> Annual Lynda Shaw  
Lecture Series**

**Dr. Ilene Busch-Vishniac,**  
Vice-President Academic & Provost  
McMaster University

**"Attracting and retaining more  
women in Engineering"**

**Thursday April 2, 2009**  
**Spencer Engineering Bldg. rm. 3109**  
**Time: 12.30 p.m.**

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## DEPT. PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY 2009 CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICISTS LECTURE TOUR

**Dr. James Taylor**  
Physics & Astronomy Dept.  
University of Waterloo

**"What is Dark Matter? (and why  
should we care?)"**

**Thurs. March 26, 2009, 3.30 p.m.**  
**P&A Bldg. room 137**

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**Ontario Ecology and  
Ethology Colloquium**

**April 26-28, 2009**  
**Location: Queen's University**

Registration deadline: March 26, 2009  
<http://biology.queensu.ca/oec09/Welcome.html>

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## **ES 3350y Field Course Meeting**

K. Johnston

There will be a preparatory meeting on  
Wednesday March 18, 2009, at 12 noon in B&G  
1084 for ES 3350y. This meeting is mandatory for  
all undergraduate registrants and other participants.

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## **Congratulations...**

to Shutian Ma on his successful Ph.D. Geophysics defence on March 5, 2009.

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### **GGG PRESENTS:**

#### **Part 4: GGS Academia Talk Series**

**Dr. Kristy Tiampo**

**“Techniques for writing (hopefully) successful proposals”**

**Date: March 25, 2009**

**Time: 1.30 p.m.**

**Place: B&G room 1069**

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### **Wm. S. Fyfe Graduate Scholarship in Sustainability of Natural Resources**

Reminder: *Deadline March 30, 2009.*

Value: 1 @ \$17,500 or 2 @ \$8,750.

Applicants must complete the NSERC form 200, including obtaining the two references.

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### **Faculty of Science TA Award**

Reminder: Departmental *deadline is March 20, 2009 at 4.00 p.m.*

Faculty and undergraduate students are invited to make a nomination via e-mail (with a short paragraph to support their nomination) to Mary Rice.

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## **Last day of undergraduate classes**

The last day of undergraduate classes is April 8, 2009. The examination period starts on April 11, 2009. Good luck to everyone on their exams!

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### **Easter 2009**

The Easter weekend falls on April 10-Sunday April 12, 2009. Good Friday April 10, 2009 is a statutory holiday and the university will officially be closed. “Easter Monday”, April 13, is not a holiday.

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