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

Friday, October 16, 2009

DEPT. EARTH SCIENCES
M.Sc. GEOLOGY
PUBLIC LECTURE

Candidate: Ben Harwood
Supervisor: Roberta Flemming

**“Crystal-Chemical Relationships in
Kimberlitic and Non-Kimberlitic
Garnets and Ilmenites”**

Mon. October 26, 2009, 9:30 AM
B&G Building, Room 1015

>ALL WELCOME<

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Candidate: Junhui Wang
Supervisors: J. Jin/C. Tsujita

**“Brachiopods from the Middle
Devonian Hamilton Group of
Southwestern Ontario, Canada”**

Thu. October 29, 2009, 1:00 PM
B&G Building, Room 1065

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Congratulations...

to **Aditya Tyagi**, for his recent successful Ph.D.
defense.

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Welcome...

to **Dr. Wenjun Yong**, a new post-doctoral fellow
working with Dr. Rick Secco.

to **Dr. Sanda Botis**, a new post-doctoral fellow
working with Dr. Sean Shieh.

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Colloquium Schedule, 2009-10

The Earth Sciences Colloquium is held weekly on
Fridays in B&G 0153, 3:30-4:30 PM.

October 16 – Craig Woodward (Dept. Geography,
UWO), “3 Million Sheep, 4.3 Million People, and a
Handful of Paleolimnologists. Progress, Challenges,
and Opportunities in New Zealand Paleolimnology.”

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October 23 - Gail Atkinson (Earth Sciences), "Canadian Seismic Risk Network: An NSERC Strategic Network for Reducing Urban Seismic Risk".

October 30 - Ian Macdonald (APGO), Title TBA.

November 6 - Larry Brown (Cornell), "New Targets and Techniques in the Exploration of the Continental Lithosphere".

November 13 - Charles Cockell (UK), "Microbial Diversity and Weathering in Volcanic Environments".

November 20 - David Fernández-Remolar (Spain), "Recovering Terrestrial information of extreme habitats to understand early Mars environments: Rio Tinto acidic system and Atacama Desert".

November 27 - John Armstrong, "Kimberlite Indicator Mineral Anomalies in a Regional, Local, and Bedrock context: Examples from Canada"

December 4 - Brian Hart (UWO), Title TBA.

Deadline: October 30, 2009.

Value: \$1,000.

Apply by letter addressed to **Dr. Kristy Tiampo**, with a copy of your abstract approved for the meeting which is the subject of your application. Please mention in your letter that you give permission for the Selection Committee to access your transcripts.

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Geophysics Travel Scholarship

Call for Applications: The Geophysics Travel Scholarship is awarded to students who are travelling to scientific conferences that are related to their thesis research. The scholarship is available to fourth year honors undergraduate Geophysics students and to full-time students registered in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. Students must have an average of B+ or higher. Any one student will be limited to one travel scholarship per M.Sc. program and two for the Ph.D. program. However, at the discretion of the Selection Committee, a student may be awarded one additional scholarship, provided that it does not deny an award to another qualified applicant who has received fewer Geophysics Travel Scholarships.