This will be the last Newsletter of 2019. Watch for the first edition of the New Year on Monday, January 13th!

PLEASE NOTE: THE GPPL MAIN OFFICE WILL CLOSE FOR THE HOLIDAYS ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20th, 2019 AT 4:30 P.M. AND WILL RE-OPEN ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 2020 AT 8:30 A.M.

DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS:

Tuesday, December 17; 9:30 a.m.; MC D214: Research Presentation: Mr. Nick Revinongton (PhD Candidate, School of Planning, University of Waterloo) will speak on Planning, Real Estate, and the “Generationed” Politics of Class Monopoly Rent in the Student Housing Submarket.

Thursday, December 19; 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.; MC E208: Celebratory Event in honour of Jo-Anne Tinlin and Leela Viswanathan. Please drop by to wish them both well in their future endeavors/adventures! Light refreshments and cake will be available.

Friday, December 20; 4:30 p.m.: GPPL Main Office closes for the holidays.

Thursday, January 2, 2020; 8:30 a.m.: GPPL Main Office re-opens.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sandra McCubbin who successfully passed her PhD Oral Thesis Examination on Monday, December 9th. Thesis title: The Spectacular Environmentalism of Cecil the Lion. Supervisor: Dr. Alice Hovorka.

Congratulations to Dr. Robert Way who received the Inuit Recognition Award at the Annual ArcticNet Conference held in Halifax December 2nd to 5th. Robert was presented his Award at the Confrence on Thursday, December 5th. The focus of this Award is to recognize Inuit who are making strong efforts towards meaningful Inuit involvement in Arctic research. Inuit partners recognize one recipient who has shown excellence in the area of Arctic research.

IN THE NEWS

John S Andrew (Arts and Science, School of Environmental Studies, Smith School of Business, School of Graduate Studies). CBC Radio: Explaining the life lease concept. Dr. Andrew discusses a new program the Ontario government is pushing to address affordable housing.
We (Jo-Anne, Angie, Amanda, Li and Joan) would like to sincerely thank all of the faculty members who so graciously treated us to the Festive Lunch at the University Club on Monday, December 9th. It was a lovely lunch with great company! We (all Staff Members) would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone the very best for the holiday season and we will see you in 2020!

A photo of the lunch group.

SURP 824 – DAVE GORDON:

Above and below -- The Ottawa City Hall lounge was packed as the SURP 824 project team presented a new vision for the Lincoln Fields area to Councillors, senior staff and planners from many agencies. Project Manager Mark Gordon (MPL’20) introduced a couple of the display panels. [link to Twitter](https://twitter.com/QueensSURP/status/1204974554814320640)

The other team members were Adam Shaker, Adrian van Wyk, Bridget Murphy, Gavin Luymes; Michael Beachamp, Rachel MacKnight, Sean Harrigan and Victoria Webster; City of Ottawa Senior Planner Natalie Persaud and Professor David Gordon were the proud course instructors.
The Ottawa planners and Councillor Kavanagh enjoyed Tuesday's City Hall presentation and invited the team to display their panels at a community meeting the very next night. Michael Beauchamp (MPL'20) agreed to stay in Ottawa and represent the team.

Michael interacts with the public at the Wednesday meeting, 
[https://twitter.com/QueensSURP/status/1205148802895798272](https://twitter.com/QueensSURP/status/1205148802895798272)

which was covered by CBC news:
The SURP 823 project team made their final presentation to the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa at Christ Church Cathedral.

Ten second-year graduate students, under the direction of Professor Patricia Collins, advised the ADO on the planning and redevelopment possibilities for three Anglican churches in the Ottawa region.

The students in action.
Mitacs - The Canadian Science Policy Fellowship

RESEARCH AND OTHER:

CFI #IAmInnovation Twitter contest

The McDonald Institute Summer 2020 Cross-Disciplinary Internship Program

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Faculty of Health and Social Development, School of Social work, UBC. Post Doctoral Fellow for Homeless Community Based Research Project. January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022. They recently received funding and are looking to hire as soon as the right person approaches them. Please send CV and short email of inquiry to john.graham@ubc.ca.