

Toner Award Announced

Karen Tumulty of *The Washington Post* is the winner of the 2013 Toner Prize for Excellence in Political Reporting.

The \$5,000 Toner Prize honors the late Robin Toner, a summa cum laude graduate of Syracuse University with dual degrees in journalism and political science. She was the first woman to be national political correspondent of *The New York Times*. The Prize is sponsored by the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University.

Tumulty of *The Washington Post* won the Toner Prize for her engaging reporting on politicians, such as Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, as well as her in-depth look at the political landscape in West Virginia. A standout of her coverage was a poignant profile of a Vietnam war veteran, Earl Smith, who gave his 101st Airborne screaming eagle patch to then-Sen. Barack Obama as he campaigned for the presidency. Her work, as one judge described it, shows “great breadth of reporting, excellent looks at politics from ground level, marries politics and humanity.”

Jennifer Davidson of KSMU public radio in Springfield, Missouri, also won recognition with an honorable mention for the Toner Prize. Davidson explored the public policy option facing Missouri lawmakers right now: whether to expand Medicaid as part of the Affordable Care Act.

The prize recipient and honoree were announced March 24.

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PS Notes

Spencer D. Bakich, associate professor, department of government and international affairs, Sweet Briar College, just published *Success and Failure in Limited War: Information and Strategy in the Korean, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, and Iraq Wars* (University of Chicago Press 2014).

Christina Bejarano, APSA Minority Fellow Program 2002–03, associate professor of political science, University of Kansas, recently published two books: *The Latina Advantage: Gender, Race, and Political Success* (University of Texas Press 2013) and *The Latino Gender Gap in U.S. Politics* (Routledge 2014). Bejarano is also a member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Latinos and Latinas in the Profession.

Clifford Bob, professor, department of political science, and Raymond J. Kelley Endowed Chair in International Relations, Duquesne University, received a Transatlantic Academy fellowship. He will be based at the Academy in Washington, DC, September 2014–June 2015, writing a book about conservative religious activism in the transatlantic region and contributing to an Academy report on religion and the liberal order.

Nyron N. Crawford, PhD candidate at The Ohio State University, APSA Ralph Bunche Summer Institute Class of 2007, and APSA MFP, 2008–09, has accepted the position of assistant professor at Temple University this fall in the department of political science where he will teach Politics of Identity in America and Urban Politics and Problems. During 2013–14 Crawford was a predoctoral fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His research areas include American politics, identity and group-based politics, political psychology, public opinion, and local-level political behavior and institutions. He defended his dissertation, “Bound Together: Essays on Racial Protection in Political Judgments” this spring.

Daniel Diermeier, an internationally recognized scholar in political institutions, formal political theory, and the interaction of business and politics, as well as an expert in crisis and reputation management, has been appointed the next dean of the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy Studies.

As dean, Diermeier will lead a school known for its evidence-based approach to public policy issues, and leverage and enhance a wide range of University initiatives in Chicago and around the world. Diermeier, currently the IBM Professor of Regulation and Competitive Practice at Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management, will begin on September 1.

Amitai Etzioni’s “Mixed-Scanning: A ‘Third’ Approach to Decision-Making,” which appeared in *Public Administration Review* (PAR) in 1967, has been selected as one of the 75 most influential articles appearing in the journal since its inception in 1940; more than 3,500 articles have appeared in PAR since its inception. He is a University Professor and Professor of International Affairs, and Director, Institute for Communitarian Policy Studies, at George Washington University.

David Fott, professor, department of political science, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, published a translation of Cicero’s “On the Republic” and “On the Laws” in the *Agora* Editions of Cornell University Press. Fott’s edition is the first to appear since publication of the latest critical edition of the Latin texts. It contains an introduction, extensive notes, and indexes of personal names and important terms.

Keanga-Yamahtta Taylor accepted a tenure track appointment at Princeton University in the Center of African American Studies.

Stephen Yoder successfully defended his PhD dissertation “Should They Stay or Should They Go? Examining Legislator Behavior on State Immigration Policy” at the University of Maryland, College Park, in January 2014.