

"and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more."
(Isaiah 2:4)

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Ernie Regehr receives the 2008 Arthur Kroeger College Award

Ernie Regehr, senior policy advisor for Project Ploughshares, has received the 2008 Arthur Kroeger College Award for Ethics in Public Affairs.

Regehr is a founder and former executive director of Project Ploughshares, one of Canada's leading peace organizations.

"We're honored and delighted that Ernie has received this recognition," said Dona Harvey, Chair of Ploughshares. "For more than 30 years, he has been a voice of conscience and purpose in pursuit of peace, combining thorough research and pragmatic policies with a passion for making a difference in the lives of people."

The Ethics Award honours those who have provided an inspiring example of the importance of ethics and values of public life. Previous recipients of this award include the Stephen Lewis, Roméo Dallaire, Ursula Franklin, and Gerald Vandezande, among others. The award will be presented to Ernie in Ottawa on April 3, 2008.

This award is one of five that make up the Arthur Kroeger College Awards for Public Affairs – the others being for Public Discourse, Citizenship and Community Affairs, Policy Leadership, and Management. These awards, now in their eighth year, are presented annually by the Arthur Kroeger College of Public Affairs at Carleton University. They are designed to recognize and commend individuals and organizations, who by their contributions to public life, have made Canadians more informed, their governing institutions more effective, and their country a better place to live.

Among the other recipients this year are Peter Herrndorf, President and CEO of The National Arts Centre, and the Hon. Michael Kirby, Chair of the Canadian Mental Health Commission.