



Media Release

Etobicoke Engineer Feted for Efforts to Promote the Profession to Students

Toronto – (May 14, 2012) – For his passion and dedication towards the engineering profession, Gary Mahony, P.Eng., FEC of Etobicoke has been named a Member of the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour. He was inducted into the order at a May 11, 2012 gala in Toronto.

Described as the kind of executive any chapter would be grateful to have, Gary Mahony has served on the board of the Kingsway Chapter with humble diligence since 1992. Six times the chapter chair and five terms as the vice chair, Mahony has been an influential leader and stable influence to the local engineering community.

His enthusiasm for making working models demonstrating engineering principles, combined with his ability to simplify complex scientific and technical experiments, serve him well as the chapter's Education Coordinator. Mahony passionately promotes engineering to students of all ages and he has been involved in staging several prominent events during National Engineering Month, including the highly successful, multi-chapter Engineering Idol event.

Hands-on, how-to workshops for kids on making water rockets, 3D digital movies, wooden geared clocks and experimental musical instruments are among the events Mahony has organized to promote the engineering profession to chapter members and the general public.

Building cooperation and collaboration among neighbouring Toronto-area chapters as coordinator of the Quad Chapter Licence Ceremony organizing committee, he has been a key contributor to the significant growth of this semi-annual event that pulls together four chapters and draws upwards of 200 people.

The Order of Honour pays tribute to individuals who have rendered conspicuous service to the engineering profession. The rank of Member is bestowed upon those who have served the profession by contributing substantially to its operation or improvement in its status.

About Professional Engineers Ontario

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 80,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates professional engineering in Ontario to serve and protect the public. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment. Professional engineers can be identified by the P.Eng. after their names.

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