



Government Liaison Program (GLP) Weekly August 2, 2013



PEO LONDON CHAPTER HOSTS ALL-CANDIDATES MEETING WITH NEW MPP

The five candidates for the London West byelection participated in a PEO All-Candidates Breakfast Debate on July 29. In the photo above are the candidates with three of the PEO London Chapter executives. From left to right are Green Party candidate Gary Brown, PC candidate Ali Chahbar, Chapter GLP Chair Tomiwa Olukiyesi, P.Eng., NDP candidate Peggy Sattler, Chapter past-Chair Stella Stevandic, P.Eng., Freedom Party candidate Al Gretzky, Liberal's Ken Coran and Chapter Chair Diego Cardenas, P.Eng. NDP candidate Ms. Sattler was elected MPP on August 1. Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Deb Matthews MPP (London North Centre) was also in attendance.

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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.

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*Deadline for all submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. Next issue will be published on August 9, 2013.

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Breaking News

FIVE NEW MPPS ELECTED IN ONTARIO BYELECTIONS

Five new MPPs were elected in provincial byelections on August 1. The Liberals held seats in Ottawa South and Scarborough-Guildwood, the NDP won seats in Windsor-Tecumseh and London West and the PCs won a seat in Etobicoke-Lakeshore.

- Ottawa South:
John Fraser



- London West:
Peggy Sattler



- Scarborough-Guildwood:
Mitzie Hunter



- Windsor-Tecumseh:
Percy Hatfield



- Etobicoke-Lakeshore:
Doug Holiday



They will respectively replace outgoing MPPs including former Premier **Dalton McGuinty**, former Consumer Services Minister **Margarett Best**, former Education Minister **Laurel Broten**, former Energy Minister **Chris Bentley**, and former Finance Minister **Dwight Duncan**.

PEO LONDON CHAPTER HOSTS ALL-CANDIDATES MEETING WITH NEW MPP

Five candidates in the London West bylection campaign took part in PEO London Chapter's All-Candidates Breakfast Debate on July 29.

Participants in the debate included Liberal candidate **Ken Coran**, PC candidate **Ali Chahbar**, NDP candidate **Peggy Sattler**, Green Party candidate **Gary Brown** and Freedom Party candidate **Al Gretzky**. Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care **Deb Matthews** MPP (London North Centre) also attended the debate.

Discussions included questions from PEO members on infrastructure funding, energy supply and the repeal of section 12(3)(a) of the *Professional Engineers Act*.

PEO London Chapter's GLP Chair **Tomiwa Olukiyesi**, P.Eng., Chapter Treasurer **Ian Cheng**, P.Eng., and PEO London Chapter executive **Murray MacDonald**, P.Eng., led efforts for the event. The candidates were welcomed by Chapter Chair **Diego Cardenas**, P.Eng., and the session was moderated by PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.



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For a transcript of the debate, visit PEO's website: www.peo.on.ca.

Links to the other all-candidates debates' transcripts is also available on the PEO website.

As mentioned in last week's *GLP Weekly*, Rogers TV aired the Scarborough-Guildwood debate from July 17 multiple times this past week.

Government/MPP Meetings

MINISTER OF RESEARCH AND INNOVATION MEETS WITH PEO TO DISCUSS THE REPEAL

PEO East Central Regional Councillor **Changiz Sadr**, P.Eng., arranged for Minister of Research and Innovation **Reza Moridi** MPP (Richmond Hill) to meet with PEO on July 30 at the Minister's office in Toronto.

The PEO delegation included Mr. Sadr, PEO Lead on the Repeal **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**. Also attending the meeting was the Minister's Senior Policy Advisor **Christine Poopalapillai**.

They discussed the repeal of section 12(3)(a) of the *Professional Engineers Act* and PEO asked the Minister to follow up with his colleagues including Attorney General **John Gerretsen** MPP (Kingston and the Islands), Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Employment **Eric Hoskins** MPP (St. Paul's) and Labour Minister **Yasir Naqvi** MPP (Ottawa Centre).



Minister of Research and Innovation Reza Moridi MPP (Richmond Hill) (second from left) met with PEO East Central Regional Councillor Changiz Sadr, P.Eng., (second from right) and PEO Lead on the Repeal Marisa Sterling, P.Eng. (right). Also in the photo is the Minister's Senior Policy Advisor Christine Poopalapillai (left).

Events Attended

OTTAWA CHAPTER GLP VICE CHAIR PRESENTS PC LEADER WITH REPEAL BROCHURE

PEO Ottawa Chapter GLP Vice Chair **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., met Ontario PC Leader **Tim Hudak** MPP (Niagara West-Glanbrook) at a recent event in Ottawa. They were at the July 23 Annual Corn Roast for PC Education Critic **Lisa McLeod** MPP (Nepean-Carleton) at the Rideau Carleton Raceway in Ottawa.

Mr. Boone had a chance to speak with Mr. Hudak and provide him with a copy of PEO's 4-page brochure regarding the repeal of section 12(3)(a) of the *Professional Engineers Act*.



PC Leader Tim Hudak MPP (Niagara West-Glanbrook) with PEO Ottawa Chapter GLP Vice Chair Guy Boone, P.Eng., in Ottawa on July 23.

BRAMPTON ENGINEERS PARTICIPATE IN MPP'S ANNUAL COMMUNITY BBQ

PEO Brampton Chapter Past Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng., and Vice Chair **Ranjit Gill**, P.Eng., attended local MPP **Vic Dhillon** (Brampton West)'s Annual Community BBQ at Gage Park in Brampton on July 28.

Mr. Dhillon is Parliamentary Assistant to both the Minister of Labour and the Minister of Consumer Services.

Also attending the event was PEO Vice President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., as well as more than 500 local residents.

Mr. Chong had the opportunity to explain to Mr. Gill PEO's goal with the repeal of section 12(3)(a) of the *Professional Engineers Act* as beneficial to increasing health and safety in Ontario.



Vic Dhillon MPP (Brampton West) (second from right) with (from left) PEO Brampton Chapter Vice Chair Ranjit Gill, P.Eng., former Chapter Chair Ravinder Panesar, P.Eng., and PEO Vice President Thomas Chong, P.Eng., on July 28 in Brampton.

Work in Progress

PEO QUEEN'S PARK MPP RECEPTION TO BE HELD OCTOBER 9

PEO has confirmed that the 7th Annual Queen's Park MPP Reception will be held on October 9 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Queen's Park Legislative Dining Room in Toronto.

It will be attended by MPPs, PEO Councillors, Chapter Government Liaison Program (GLP) Chairs, and representatives from the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE), the Consulting Engineers of Ontario (CEO), Engineers Canada and the Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario (ESSCO).

GLP ACADEMIES PLANNED FOR NORTHERN, EASTERN AND WESTERN ONTARIO

PEO's Government Liaison Program (GLP) is working on coordinating GLP Academies and Congresses for the Northern, Eastern and Western Regions of the province for the coming months. Tentative dates are being discussed.

PEO REQUESTS MEETINGS WITH MINISTERS



Minister Eric
Hoskins MPP



Minister Brad
Duguid MPP

PEO has requested meetings with Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Employment **Eric Hoskins** MPP (St. Paul's) and Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities **Brad Duguid** MPP (Scarborough East).

A delegation will discuss the recent Cabinet decision to not proceed with the repeal of section 12(3)(a) of the *Professional Engineers Act*. Both the offices of Minister Hoskins and Duguid have advised that dates are pending.

Upcoming Events

**MP and MPP receptions/donations are entitled to up to 75% tax credit on the first \$400. For more information see Elections Ontario or Elections Canada websites.*

NEW! August 6 – Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) will host an evening to celebrate rural Ontario at the Perth Civitan Club, 6787 County Road 43, Perth starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40. For more information, contact Roger Martin at roger.martin@solutionmaster.com.

August 8 – Trinity-Spadina Liberal candidate **Han Dong** will host a dinner featuring special guests Minister of Citizenship and Immigration **Michael Coteau** MPP (Don Valley East) and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities **Soo Wong** MPP (Scarborough-Agincourt) at Dimsum King Seafood, 421 Dundas Street W., Toronto. Reception will start at 6 p.m. with dinner following at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$88 per person. For more information, call 416-918-8302 or email votehandong@gmail.com.

August 11 – Conservative MP **Mark Adler** (York Centre) will host his annual community BBQ at Earl Bales Park Picnic Site 3, 4169 Bathurst St. in Toronto from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is no fee to attend but participants are encouraged to register. For more information or to register please visit <http://markadlerbbq.eventbrite.ca/>.

August 14 – Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) will host the 8th Annual Premier's Patio Party at the Thompson Hotel Rooftop Lounge, 550 Wellington Street West, Toronto from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$500 per person. For more information, contact Suaad Ali at 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or sali@ontarioliberal.ca.

August 16 – Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean) will host an Ottawa Golf Tournament, the second of three events in the Premier and Minister of Agriculture and Food **Kathleen Wynne's** MPP (Don Valley West) Summer Golf Tour. The tournament will be held at Eagle Creek Golf Club, 109 Royal Troon, Dunrobin from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Entry fee is \$2,600 for a foursome. For more information, contact Ivy-Lea Lunau 613-422-2645 or ilunau@ontarioliberal.ca.

August 17 – PC Municipal Affairs and Housing Critic and Deputy House Leader **Steve Clark** MPP (Leeds Grenville) will host his annual Afternoon in the Islands. The event will feature a roast beef and lobster dinner at the Glen House Resort, 409-1000 Islands Parkway in Gananoque, Ontario from 3 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$150. To order tickets visit: <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/305>.

August 22 – Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean) will host a community BBQ at Bayshore Park, 175 Woodridge Crescent, Ottawa from 5 to 7:30 p.m. There is no cost for admission. For more information, contact chiarelli.mpp@gmail.com.

NEW! August 23 – Liberal MPP **Dipika Damerla** (Mississauga East-Cooksville) will host a Masquerade Ball at The National Banquet Hall, 7355 Torbram Road, Mississauga starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 each or two for \$110 if ordered before August 15. For more information, contact 647-338-7525 or mecpla1@gmail.com.

August 25 – PC Attorney General Critic **Sylvia Jones** MPP (Dufferin-Caledon) will host "A Summer's Eve In The Hills" at The Royal Ambassador Event Center - Caledon East, 15430 Innis Lake Road, Caledon from 4 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$125. For more information, contact info@dufferincaledonpc.ca or visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/165>.

NEW! August 27 – Minister of Consumer Services **Tracy MacCharles** MPP (Pickering-Scarborough East) and Minister of Training, Colleges, and Universities **Brad Duguid** MPP (Scarborough-Centre) will be special guests at the "Summer's End Garden Party" at 333 Rouge Hills Drive, Scarborough beginning at 7 p.m.. Tickets are \$100. For more information, contact pseprovfundraising@gmail.com.

NEW! August 28 – PC Northern Development and Mines Critic **Norm Miller** MPP (Parry Sound–Muskoka) will host his annual golf day at Seguin Valley Golf Club from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$225 for 18 holes of golf plus dinner, Dinner only tickets are \$50. For more information, contact Don MacKay at 705-646-1060.

NEW! August 29 – Progressive Conservative Candidate for Eglinton-Lawrence **Robin Martin** will host a Pub Night at Safari Bar and Grill from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Tickets are free. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/393>

If you have any comments, additions, or questions, please do not hesitate to call or email:

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