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PEO and OSPE representatives participated in a tribute dinner to former Premier Bill Davis on November 6 in Toronto where they spoke with Premier Kathleen Wynne MPP (Don Valley West) (in centre of photo) and other dignitaries. Others from left: PEO President-Elect David Adams, P.Eng., OSPE President Paul Acchione, P. Eng., former MPP Tim Reid and PEO Past-President Denis Dixon, P.Eng.

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4. Engineers Canada holds Parliament Hill Contact Day
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Breaking News

ONTARIO MINISTER OF FINANCE RELEASES FALL ECONOMIC STATEMENT



Ontario's Minister of Finance **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) released the province's fall 2013 Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review on November 7, 2013 in the Legislature.

The Review updates the economic assumptions from the *2013 Ontario Budget*, which was released in the spring. The impact of these changes is applied to the government's revenue and expenditure projections. The Outlook focused on infrastructure investment in the province.

To view the Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review in full go to:

http://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/budget/fallstatement/2013/paper_all.pdf

PEO MISSISSAUGA CHAPTER TOWN HALL ON TRANSPORTATION A GREAT SUCCESS

PEO Mississauga Chapter held a very successful town hall meeting on November 4 to discuss gridlock and potential solutions in the Greater Toronto-Hamilton Area. Participants included Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion and former Toronto Transit Commission Chair Adam Giambrone.

The discussion was centred on a few key themes including:

- Funding
- Economic impact of gridlock
- Long term planning for transportation
- Design considerations for building transit and infrastructure
- Operating and maintenance considerations for transit



Special guests pose with organizers at PEO Mississauga Chapter's 'Transportation Town Hall' event held on November 4. Photo credit: Georg Kralik P.Eng.

The event was moderated by **David Lapp**, P.Eng., Manager of Professional Practice at Engineers Canada. Other speakers included:

- **Martin Powell**, P. Eng., Commissioner of Transportation and Works, City of Mississauga;
- **Chris Hill**, President and CEO, Electric Mobility Canada;
- **Linda Weichel**, Vice President, Initiatives, Civic Action;
- **Greg Percy**, Vice President of GO Capital Infrastructure, Metrolinx;

Other participants included PEO West Central Region Councillor **Rob Willson**, P.Eng., OSPE President **Paul Acchione**, P.Eng. and PEO Manager of Government and Student Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng. The event organizer was Mississauga Chapter Chair **Art Kirnichansky**, P.Eng.

The chapter represents over 6,000 professional engineers in Mississauga. Mr. Kirnichansky told GLP Weekly that the chapter looks forward to similar support in its subsequent town halls and seminars.

Events Attended

PEO AND OSPE PARTICIPATE IN TV ONTARIO TRIBUTE TO FORMER PREMIER

A tribute dinner for former Premier Bill Davis was held on November 6 in Toronto where MPPs from all parties joined community members to honour the man who led Ontario from 1971-84. The event was a fundraiser for TV Ontario.

Participants included Premier **Kathleen Wynne MPP (Don Valley West)**, PC leader **Tim Hudak MPP (Niagara West-Glanbrook)**, PEO President-Elect **David Adams, P.Eng.**, PEO Past-President Denis Dixon, P.Eng. and OSPE President **Paul Acchione, P.Eng.** PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** also attended. Mr. Davis was in power when the industrial exception was implemented in the province.



Former Ontario Premier Bill Davis (centre right) with PEO President-Elect David Adams, P.Eng., OSPE President Paul Acchione, P.Eng. and former secretary of Cabinet Tony Dean.

The evening was hosted by TVO The Agenda's Steve Paikin who was a guest speaker at the 2013 Conference of the Ontario Centre for Engineering and Public Policy.

The PEO delegation spoke with Ms. Wynne, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Davis and others. They sat with former NDP Finance Minister **Floyd Laughren**, former Education Minister **Dave Cooke**, former MPP **Tim Reid** and Mississauga City Councillor **Bonnie Crombie**.

ENGINEERS CANADA HOLDS ANNUAL PARLIAMENT HILL CONTACT DAY

Engineers Canada's Bridging Government and Engineers committee was on Parliament Hill on November 5, to meet with Members of Parliament and talk about the importance of Professional Engineers in the country.



Engineers Canada Director Phil Maka, P.Eng., (left) and CEO Kim Allen, P.Eng., (right) with Peter Kent MP (Thornhill) at the Engineers Canada Bridging Government and Engineers Parliament Hill Contact Day November 5.

Over 30 meetings were held with Members of Parliament throughout the day including four Ministers and 15 MPs from Ontario:

- The Honourable **Kellie Leitch**, Minister of Labour and Minister of Status of Women
- The Honourable **Rob Moore**, Minister of State (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency)
- The Honourable **Lisa Raitt**, Minister of Transport
- The Honourable **Lynne Yelich**, Minister of State (Foreign Affairs and Consular)
- **Mike Allen**, MP for Tobique—Mactaquac
- **Joyce Bateman**, MP for Winnipeg South Centre
- **Carolyn Bennett**, MP for St. Paul's
- **Leon Benoit**, MP for Vegreville—Wainwright
- **Dennis Bevington**, MP for Western Arctic
- **Peter Braid**, MP for Kitchener- Waterloo
- **Lois Brown**, MP for Newmarket – Aurora
- **Sean Casey**, MP for Charlottetown
- **Corneliu Chisu**, MP for Pickering—Scarborough East
- **Roger Cuzner**, MP for Cape Breton-Casno
- **Joe Daniel**, MP for Don Valley East
- **Patricia Davidson**, MP for Sarnia Lambton
- **Bob Dechert**, MP for Mississauga-Erindale
- **Rosane Doré Lefebvre**, MP for Alfred-Pellan
- **Yvon Godin**, MP for Acadie—Bathurst
- **Jack Harris**, MP for St. John's East
- **Laurie Hawn**, MP for Edmonton
- **Peter Kent**, MP for Thornhill
- **Wladyslaw Lizon**, MP for Mississauga East - Cooksville
- **Dave MacKenzie**, MP for Oxford
- **John McCallum**, MP Markham—Unionville
- **Rick Norlock**, MP for Northumberland—Quinte West
- **Anne Minh-Thu Quach**, MP for Beauharnois—Salaberry
- **Bruce Stanton**, MP for Simcoe North
- **Kennedy Stewart**, MP for Burnaby-Douglas
- **David Sweet**, MP Ancaster-Dundas-Flamborough-Westdale
- **Lawrence Toet**, MP for Elmwood Transcona

The theme of the day was “Public Safety: A Shared Priority.” Engineering experts discussed with politicians the importance of having Professional Engineers involved in public policy, and highlighted how they contribute to key sectors, including infrastructure, innovation, and resources, to help drive the country’s economy and keep Canadians safe.

PEO PARTICIPATES IN RECEPTION WITH PC LABOUR CRITIC



PC Labour Critic **Monte McNaughton** MPP (Lambton-Kent-Middlesex) hosted a reception with special guest speaker PC Deputy Leader **Christine Elliott** MPP (Whitby-Oshawa) in Toronto on November 5.

PEO Government Relations Coordinator **Kaitlynn Dodge** attended the event and thanked **Steve Clark** MPP (Leeds-Grenville) for speaking at the PEO Eastern Region GLP Academy and Congress on October 19. She also spoke to Mr. McNaughton, and a number of other PC critics including Public Infrastructure Renewal Critic **Frank Klees** MPP (Newmarket-Auora), Citizenship and Immigration Critic **Todd Smith** MPP (Prince Edward-Hastings), Small Business and Red Tape Critic **Lisa Thompson** MPP (Huron Bruce). Ms. Thompson was interested in learning more about if/how red tape affects engineers in the province.

MINISTER SPEAKS AT WILLOWDALE-THORNHILL CHAPTER LICENSE PRESENTATION

PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter held a licence certificate ceremony on November 9 at Thornhill Golf and Country Club with Minister of Aboriginal Affairs David Zimmer MPP (Willowdale) as guest speaker. Four student scholarships were also awarded at the event, which was attended by over 100 participants, including 30 new P.Eng., licence recipients, their families and friends.



Aboriginal Affairs Minister David Zimmer MPP (Willowdale) (fourth from left) at the Willowdale-Thornhill chapter license presentation in Thornhill on November 9. With him in the photo are participants of the event including PEO Regional Councillor Changiz Sadr P.Eng (left) and PEO Vice-president Thomas Chong P.Eng (right). Photo credit: Aung Koko Kyaw P.Eng.

Other speakers at the event included PEO Vice-President **Thomas Chong** P.Eng., PEO Past-President **Denis Dixon** P.Eng. and OSPE Past President **Nadine Miller** P.Eng.,

Also in attendance were PEO Regional Councillors **Denis Carlos** P.Eng., and **Changiz Sadr** P.Eng., PEO Scarborough Chapter Chair **Madu Suthanan** P.Eng., and Past-Chair of the PEO York Chapter Past Chair **Kam Leong**, P.Eng.

PEO Willowdale-Thornhill participants included Chair **Maziyar Bolour** P.Eng., Vice-Chair and GLP Chair **Rajiv Srivastava** P.Eng., Past Chair **Nanda Lwin** P.Eng., Secretary **Maliheh Farahnak** P.Eng., Treasurer **Mehrangiz Kafi** P.Eng., Past Vice-Chair **Vimbai Munyukwi** P.Eng., Past Chair **Noubar Takessian** P.Eng., and other Executives.

The Scholarship Awards were presented to:

- **Jonathan Lee** of Earl Haig Secondary School, studying Mechatronics Engineering at University of Waterloo.
- **Jeremy Weiss** of Thornhill Secondary School, studying Engineering at Queen's University
- **Fatima Pannu** of AY Jackson Secondary School, studying Civil Engineering at University of Waterloo
- **Sherwin Aminpour** of Thornlea Secondary School, studying Software Engineering at University of Waterloo

The event was organized by **Souheila Bardakji** P.Eng., who was also the Emcee for the event.

Work in Progress

PEO WESTERN REGION ACADEMY TO BE HELD IN LONDON ON MARCH 1, 2014

PEO London Chapter has confirmed that they will host the Western Region GLP Academy and Congress on March 1 in London.

The Academy will bring PEO GLP Chairs and volunteers together for government relations training and to plan GLP initiatives in the region for the coming months. MPPs will also be invited to speak to participants.

PEO holds an Academy in every region each year to provide ongoing training and engagement for chapter GLP volunteers.

More details on the upcoming Western Region Academy will follow in the coming weeks.

PEO TO HOLD WEBINAR ON HOW TO GET POLICY INTO LEGISLATION IN EARLY DECEMBER

PEO will hold a webinar in early December on, 'How to Get Policy into Legislation.' The session will be delivered by PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**. Mr. Brown spoke at the GLP Academies in Thunder Bay, Thousand Islands and Toronto on the subject.

He was asked at the Eastern Region Academy and Congress on October 19 to deliver it to a wider audience via a webinar. The presentation was developed as part of the ongoing training and development that PEO provides volunteers across the province. More details on the date and agenda will be included in the coming weeks.

MINISTER OF RURAL AFFAIRS TO SPEAK AT PETERBOROUGH ENGINEERS HEALTHCARE SYMPOSIUM

The Peterborough Chapters of PEO, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT) will present the 2013 Engineering Symposium “Advancing Health Care through Engineering” on November 29. The Symposium will be held from 12:15 to 5.30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Market Hall Performing Arts Centre in Peterborough.

It will be opened by Minister of Rural Affairs **Jeff Leal** MPP (Peterborough).

There will be sessions on the new field of bio interfaces, how new equipment and technology can be used to reduce waiting times and improve service at hospitals, among others.

The event is open to the public and students are welcome. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Register before November 29 by contacting one of the people listed below:

Sean Dunne, P.Eng., SMIEEE: Symposium Committee Chair. 705-742-2881 sean.dunne@ieee.org

Clarence Klassen, P.Eng., Chair: Peterborough PEO Chapter. 705-743-1076 cklassen@klassen.on.ca

Diane Northey, Chair: Peterborough OACETT Chapter. 705-799-7294 peterboro-chapter@oacett.org

OTTAWA PEO AND OSPE REPS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH NEW PC ENERGY CRITIC

PEO Ottawa GLP Chair **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., and Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) President **Paul Acchione**, P.Eng., are scheduled to meet with new PC Energy Critic **Lisa MacLeod** MPP (Nepean-Carleton) on November 29 at her community office in Ottawa.



The meeting was arranged by OSPE to discuss energy policy. This will be the third joint meeting of OSPE’s Political Action Network (PAN) and PEO’s Government Liaison Program (GLP).

PC Energy Critic Lisa MacLeod MPP (Nepean-Carleton)



Minister of Rural Affairs Jeff Leal MPP (Peterborough)

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.*

November 18 – PC Sport, Recreation and Youth Critic **Rick Nicholls**, MPP (Chatham-Kent-Essex) will host his annual Toronto fundraiser at the Albany Club, 91 King St. East, Toronto from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$250 each, registration is recommended. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/433>.

November 19 – Minister of Citizenship and Immigration **Michael Coteau** MPP (Don Valley East) will host a reception at Amsterdam Brewing, 245 Queens Quay West, Toronto from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing **Linda Jeffrey** MPP (Brampton-Springdale) will be guest speaker. Tickets are \$500 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information or to RSVP, contact 416-961-3800 ext. 605 or coteaufundraiser2013@ontarioliberal.com.

November 19 – NDP Transportation Critic **Gilles Bisson** MPP (Timmins-James Bay) will host an evening reception at The University Club, 380 University Ave., Toronto from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$400 each, registration is recommended. For more information, contact Stewart at 416-469-9686 or Friendsogillesbisson@gmail.com.

November 19 – Davenport Liberal Candidate **Cristina Martins** will host an evening reception with guest speaker Minister of Finance **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) at McCarthy Tetreault LLP Suite 5300, 66 Wellington St. West, Toronto at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each, registration is recommended. For more information, contact Meagan.trush@gmail.com.

November 20 – Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Employment **Eric Hoskins** MPP (St. Paul's) and Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation **Glen Murray** MPP (Toronto Centre) will host a cocktail reception at The National Club, 303 Bay St. with special guest Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West). The event will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$1,500 each, RSVP is required. For more information, contact Pamela Gutteridge at 416-421-0595 or Pamela.gutteridge@sympatico.ca.

November 20 – Minister of Health and Long-Term Care **Deb Matthews** MPP (London North Centre) will be speaking at the 2013 Red Trillium Club Breakfast Speaker Series at The National Club, 303 Bay St., Toronto from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$250 each, registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Amir Mahamud at 416-260-1608 or amir@ontarioliberal.ca.

November 20 – PC Leader **Tim Hudak** MPP (Niagara West-Glanbrook) will host a GTA Leader's Dinner at the Paramount Conference and Event Venue beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$1,250 each, RSVP is required. For more information, contact Kevin Moraes at 416-848-8153 or rsvp@ontariopc.com.

November 21 - Minister of Finance **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) will be guest speaker at a cocktail reception at Lusitano Restaurant, 17 Holland St. West, Bradford at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$250 per person, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/CharlesSousa> or contact Jonathan Scott at jono.dw.scott@gmail.com.

November 24 – Liberal MP **Judy Sgro** (York West) will host a Holiday Buffet with **Mike Crawley**, President of the Liberal Party of Canada at the Mount Dennis Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 31, 1050 Weston Rd., Toronto from 2 to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$35 each, please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Daily Bread Food Bank. For more information, contact 416-995-3804 or info@yswliberals.com.

November 26 – Liberal MPP **Joe Dickson** (Ajax-Pickering), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, will host a cocktail reception with Minister of Citizenship and Immigration **Michael Coteau** MPP (Don Valley East) at the Carruthers Creek Golf Club, 650 Lake Ridge Rd., Ajax from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$250 each, registration is required. For more information, contact Donna Dickson at 905-683-7940 or ddickson@pearlearth.com

November 26 – NDP Leader and Intergovernmental Affairs Critic **Andrea Horwath** MPP (Hamilton Centre) and NDP Municipal Affairs and Housing Critic **Cindy Forster** MPP (Welland) will host a reception at the Gallery Grill, 7 Hart House Circle, Toronto from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each, RSVP is required. For more information or to RSVP, contact 647-636-2207 or friendsofcindycorster@gmail.com.

November 26 – PC Agriculture Critic **Ernie Hardman** MPP (Oxford) will host a cocktail reception at the Albany Club, 91 King St. East, Toronto from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$200 each or two for \$350, registration is required. For more information, contact OxfordPCassociation@gmail.com or Tara Barry at 416-927-7207.

November 26 – Minister of Health and Long-Term Care **Deb Matthews** MPP (London North Centre) will speak at the Toronto Region Board of Trade's Ontario Senior's Strategy: Retooling an Aging Ontario. The event will take place at the Downtown Centre, 77 Adelaide Street West from 12 to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$79 for BOT members and \$99 for non-members, registration is required. For more information or to register, visit www.bot.com/events.

NEW! November 26 – Don Valley East PC Candidate **Angela Kennedy** will host a cocktail reception with special guest PC Government Accountability, GTA Issues, Management Board of Cabinet and GTA Transportation Critic **Doug Holyday** MPP (Etobicoke-Lakeshore). The event will take place at Lara's Restaurant, 155 Consumers Rd., Toronto from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$75 each, registration is recommended. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/452>.

NEW! November 26 - Former Ontario Premier and Chief Negotiator and Counsel for the Matawa First Nations **Bob Rae** will speak at the Empire Club of Canada's Canada and the First Nations: Time for a New Partnership at the Arcadian Court, 401 Bay St., Toronto at 12 p.m. Tickets are \$70 for Empire Club members and \$80 for non-members, registration is required. For more information, visit <https://www.empireclub.org/events/bob-rae/>.

NEW! November 27 – Liberal MPP **Helena Jaczek** (Oak Ridges-Markham), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care will host a cocktail reception at 303 Westridge Dr., Kleinburg, from 7 to 9 p.m. Minister of Research and Innovation **Reza Moridi** MPP (Richmond Hill) will be guest speaker. Tickets are \$500 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information or to RSVP, contact Vikki Pownall at ORMPLA@gmail.com or 647-308-0720.

November 27 – Minister Responsible for Women’s Issues and Children and Youth Services **Teresa Piruzza** MPP (Windsor West) will host an intimate evening reception at The University Club, 380 University Ave., Toronto with special guest Attorney General **John Gerretsen** MPP (Kingston and the Islands) at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$750 each, RSVP is required as there is a seating limit of 20 people. For more information or to RSVP, contact mmihalo@sympatio.ca or 519-995-8045.

November 27 – Trinity-Spadina PC Candidate **Roberta Scott** will host a fundraiser and silent auction with special guests PC Training and Apprenticeship Critic **Garfield Dunlop** MPP (Simcoe North), PC Education Critic **Rob Leone** MPP (Cambridge) and PC Small Business and red Tape and Green Energy Act Critic **Lisa Thompson** MPP (Huron-Bruce). The event will take place at 1 Bedford Rd., Toronto 2nd Floor Party Room. Tickets are \$75 each, registration is recommended. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/445>.

November 28 – Former Deputy Prime Minister **John Manley**, President and CEO of the Canadian Council of Chief Executives will speak at the Canadian Club to discuss the challenges and opportunities facing Canada’s workforce. The event will take place at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St. West, Toronto at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$75 each or \$65 for Canadian Club members, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://www.canadianclub.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?id=3239>.

November 28 – Minister of Finance **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) will be speaking at the 2013 Red Trillium Club Breakfast Speaker Series at The National Club, 303 Bay St., Toronto from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$250 each, registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Amir Mahamud at 416-260-1608 or amir@ontarioliberal.ca.

November 28 – PC Finance Critic **Vic Fedeli** MPP (Nipissing) will host his Third Annual Toronto Fundraiser Luncheon at the Albany Club, 91 King St. East, Toronto from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$350 each, RSVP is required. For more information or to RSVP, contact victor@fedeli.ca or call 705-845-1088.

December 1 – Minister of Aboriginal Affairs **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale) will be guest of honour at the Willowdale Women's Liberal Club's Annual Christmas Dinner at the Toronto Cricket, Skating & Curling Club, 141 Wilson Ave., Toronto beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$60 each, RSVP is required. For more information or to RSVP, contact Jo Robertson at 416-223-3400.

NEW! December 2 – Liberal MPP **Bill Mauro** (Thunder Bay-Atikokan), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, will host an evening reception with special guests Minister of Northern Development and Mines **Michael Gravelle** MPP (Thunder Bay-Superior North) and Minister of Aboriginal Affairs **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale). The event will take place at the Labatt House, 207 Queens Quay West, Toronto from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each, registration is recommended. For more information or to register, call 416-854-9122 or email maurofundraiser2013@ontarioliberalfund.ca.

NEW! December 2 – Liberal MPP **Phil McNeely** (Ottawa-Orléans), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, will host a cocktail reception with special guest Minister of the Environment **Jim Bradley** MPP (St. Catharines) at The University Club, 380 University Ave., Toronto at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$400 each, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://ottawaorleans.ridingassociation.org/pEvent>.

December 2 – Liberal MP **Marc Garneau**, P.Eng., (Westmount-Ville-Marie) will speak at the Walter Gordon Circle event held at The University Club of Toronto, 380 University Ave., Toronto. Cocktails will begin at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$95 each, RSVP is required. For more information or to RSVP, contact Howard Brown at 416-844-1180 or howard@brown-cohen.com.

December 2 – York Centre PC Candidate **Avi Yufest** will host an evening reception at 9 New St., Toronto with guest PC Government Accountability, GTA Issues, Management Board of Cabinet and GTA Transportation Critic **Doug Holyday** MPP (Etobicoke-Lakeshore). The event will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$200 each, registration is recommended. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/441>.

December 3 – Liberal MPP **Dipika Damerla** (Mississauga East-Cooksville), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister Responsible for the 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games and Tourism, Culture and Sport, will host a reception with Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing **Linda Jeffrey** MPP (Brampton-Springdale). The event will be held at Labatt House, 207 Queens Quay West, Suite 299, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$200 each, registration is recommended. For more information, visit <http://mississaugaeastcooksville.ridingassociation.org/pEvent>.

NEW! December 3 - Minister of Finance **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) will host The Red Snowflake Soiree at Muzik Nightclub at Exhibition Place, 15 Saskatchewan Rd., Toronto from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each, RSVP is required.. For more information or to RSVP, contact charlessousafundraiser@gmail.com or 905-486-1740.

December 5 – Premier and Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and Agriculture & Food **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) will be guest speaker at the 2013 Trillium Dinner in Ottawa. It will be hosted by Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean), Minister Responsible for Francophone Affairs and Community Safety and Correctional Services **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Varnier), Minister of Labour **Yasir Naqvi** MPP (Ottawa Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister Responsible for Francophone Affairs, Agriculture and Food and Rural Affairs **Grant Crack** MPP (Glengarry-Prescott-Russell), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Northern Development and Mines and Natural Resources **John Fraser** MPP (Ottawa South) and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment **Phil McNeely**, P.Eng., MPP (Ottawa-Orléans). The event will take place at the Ottawa Convention Centre, 55 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$600 each, registration is required. For more information, contact Ivy-Lea Lunau at 613-422-2645 or ilunau@ontarioliberal.ca.

December 5 – Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Employment **Eric Hoskins** MPP (St. Paul's) will be speaking at the 2013 Red Trillium Club Breakfast Speaker Series at The University Club of Toronto, 380 University Ave., from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Tickets are \$250 each, registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Amir Mahamud at 416-260-1608 or amir@ontarioliberal.ca.

NEW! December 5 – PC Energy and Francophone Affairs Critic **Lisa MacLeod** MPP (Nepean-Carleton) will host a pre-holiday wine and cheese reception with special guest PC House Leader **Jim Wilson** MPP (Simcoe-Grey). The event will take place at the Gooderham Building, 49 Wellington St. East, Toronto at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$250 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information, contact lisa@lisamacleod.ca.

December 7 – Oak Ridges-Markham PC Candidate **Farid Wassef** will host an evening reception at the Mandarin Restaurant, 7660 Woodbine Ave., Markham from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Conservative MP **Chris Alexander** (Ajax-Pickering) will be guest speaker. Tickets are \$150 each or \$500 for VIP head table tickets, registration is recommended. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/443>.

NEW! December 9 - Annette Vershuran, Chair and CEO, NRStor Inc. will speak at the Energy Industry Networking Luncheon at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St W, Toronto from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$79 each, registration is required. For more information or to register, visit <http://www.ontarioenergynetwork.org>.

NEW! January 10 – TVO will celebrate Sir John A. Macdonald’s 199th birthday at the Great Hall, 7 Hart House Cir, Toronto at 6:30 p.m. The event features a three-course dinner, period costumes are encouraged. Tickets are \$90 each and \$40 for students, RSVP is required. For more information or to RSVP, visit JAMTO.eventbrite.ca.

NEW! January 15 – NDP Finance and Citizenship and Immigration Critic **Michael Prue** MPP (Beaches-East York) will host an evening reception at the Labatt Pub, 207 Queen’s Quay West, Suite 299 at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$300 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information, contact friendsofmichaelprue@gmail.com or 416-264-8004.

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

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