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Breaking News

NEW ONTARIO CABINET UNVEILED

Premier **Kathleen Wynne** unveiled her new cabinet on July 24 that includes 26 Ministers and a number of significant new posts.

Attorney General **Madeline Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa Vanier) kept her post along with Minister of Labour **Kevin Flynn** MPP (Oakville), Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West Nepean) and a number of others while other portfolios were shuffled. New posts significant to PEO include:

- **Ted McMeekin** MPP (Ancaster-Dundas-Flamborough-Westdale) Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- **Steven Del Duca** MPP (Vaughan) Minister of Transportation
- **Brad Duguid** MPP (Scarborough Centre) Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure
- **Glen Murray** MPP (Toronto Centre) Minister of the Environment and Climate Change



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PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** attended the swearing in and had a discussion with a number of MPPs including **Rick Nicholls** MPP (Chatham-Kent-Essex) who is running for Speaker, as well as new MPPs **Daiene Vernile** MPP (Kitchener Centre), **Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), **Eleanor McMahon** MPP (Burlington) and a number of others and Deputy Attorney General **Patrick Monahan**.

Mr. Monahan asked how PEO was doing and said he enjoyed meeting PEO Registrar **Gerard McDonald**, P.Eng.

ACEC ELECTS FIRST FEMALE CHAIR AND ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Anne Poschmann, P.Eng.

As reported in Daily Commercial News **Anne Poschmann**, P.Eng., of Golder Associates Ltd., is the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies new chair. She is the first female to hold the position.

She took over from **Jason Mewis** of ENGCOMP Engineering and Computing Professionals Inc.

Other board positions include:

- **Perry Mitchelmore** of MECO, chair-elect.
- **David Kozak** from Genivar, vice-chair for New Brunswick and treasurer
- **Jody MacLeod** of CBCL, vice-chair Prince Edward Island
- **Steve Fleck** from Stantec Consulting Ltd., vice-chair British Columbia
- **Paul Ruffell** of Tetra Tech EBA Inc. vice-chair Alberta
- **Chris Newcombe** from McElhanney Consulting Services Ltd., director British Columbia

The other directors include:

- **John Clark** from Williams Engineering Canada Inc. (Northwest Territories)
- **Gord Jhonston**, from Stantec Consulting Ltd. (Alberta)
- **Todd Smith** of AECOM (Manitoba)
- **Shawn Gibbons** of AECOM (Ontario)

- **Bill De Angelis** from Associated Engineering (Ontario)
- **Rick Tiller** of Tiller Engineering Inc. (Newfoundland)

The directors from Quebec include:

- **Luciano Piciacchaia** from AMEC
- **Robert Landry** from SNC-Lavalin Inc.,
- **Simon Davidson** from Roche Ltee, Group-conseil.

Events Attended

PEO WILLOWDALE THORNHILL GLP CHAIR CELEBRATES ELECTION WITH MINISTER

PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter Government Liaison Program Chair **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng., participated in the victory party of Minister of Aboriginal Affairs **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale) on June 12 in the riding.

Mr. Lwin has done a great job connecting with local MPPs on behalf of PEO and recently hosted a meet and greet with candidates running in the riding.



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Work in Progress

PLANNING FOR PEO FALL ACADEMIES UNDERWAY

Planning is underway for two PEO Academy and Congresses in the fall.

One will be held at PEO Headquarters for the East Central and West Central regions and the other will be hosted by Quinte chapter for the Eastern Region. A third will be hosted by Georgian Bay Chapter in 2015.

Academy and Congresses are held annually in each region of the province to train local engineers on how to engage with MPPs and to serve as a planning forum for the year ahead.

More details on these events will be shared in the coming weeks.

PEO QUEEN'S PARK DAY SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 5

PEO will hold its annual Queen's Park Day on November 5 in the Legislative Dining Room.

This annual event attracts engineers from across the province to meet with their MPP at the Ontario Legislature and features MPP speakers and the Government Liaison Program awards.



Michael Harris MPP (Kitchener-Conestoga) (second from left), Former PC MPP Rob Leone MPP (centre right) and Paul Miller MPP (Hamilton East-Stoney Creek) (second from right) with (from left) Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) past-President Nadine Miller, P.Eng., PEO President David Adams, P.Eng., and Former PEO President Denis Dixon, P.Eng., at the 2013 Queen's Park Day in Toronto.

More details on this event will be released in the coming months.

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

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