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Breaking News

SIX ENGINEERS ELECTED TO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL IN ONTARIO

Ontarians elected six engineers to municipal councils on October 27th. A total of 14 engineers ran in elections across the province.

Elected candidates (listed from right to left, top to bottom below) include: **Steve Black**, P.Eng., who will take the top job as the Mayor of Timmins, PEO Vice-President **George Comrie**, P.Eng., elected as a first time councillor in Whitestone, **Andrew Dowie**, P.Eng., who will be a new councillor in Ward 1 Tecumseh, former PEO President **Diane Freeman**, P.Eng., who was re-elected as a Waterloo City Councillor, **Ron Starr**, P.Eng., who remains as a Councillor for Ward 6 Mississauga and **Harold Usher**, P.Eng., who was re-elected as a Councillor in Ward 12 London.



Events Attended

PEO PARTICIPATES IN ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS EVENT WITH MINISTER

Engineers Without Borders held its Ignite the Change Gala on October 21 in Toronto to honour its founder **George Roter**, who spoke at the event. Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure **Brad Duguid** MPP (Scarborough Centre) made remarks and congratulated Engineers Without Borders on their success. He acknowledged the great work of Mr. Roter and welcomed the organization's new CEO **Boris Martin**.



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A delegation of PEO representatives participated in the event including: Past-President **Annette Bergeron**, P.Eng., Registrar **Gerard McDonald**, P.Eng., PEO Vice-President **Michael Wesa**, P.Eng., PEO Vice-President **George Comrie**, P.Eng., and Councillors **Marilyn Spink**, P.Eng., **Nick Colucci**, P.Eng., **Rob Willson**, P.Eng., and **Roger Jones**, P.Eng.

The event was co-chaired by former PEO President **Catherine Karakatsanis**, P.Eng. Also participating were Metrolinx CEO **Bruce McCuaig** and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

PEO HOSTS ENGINEERING STUDENTS AT ONTARIO ENERGY NETWORK EVENT

PEO hosted students from three GTA universities at the Ontario Energy Network on October 22 in Toronto. Students attended from the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT), University of Toronto and Ryerson and included:

- **Abdul Basit**, University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT)
- **Krisharni Kalachandran**, Ryerson University
- **Noorullah Nour**, University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT)
- **Cristina Mazzai**, University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT)
- **Viviana Piñeros**, Ryerson University
- **Ahmad Sherzad**, University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT)
- **Angel Serah**, University of Toronto

Ms. Serah is the student rep on PEO's Government Liaison Committee (GLC).

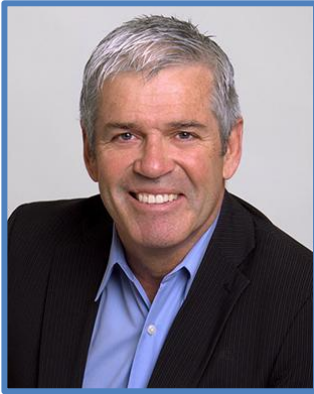


Students had a chance to meet a number of special guests at the Ontario Energy Network event including former Economic Development Minister Sandra Pupatello (fifth from left), former New Brunswick MP Paul Zed (fourth from left) and OEN guest speaker Carmine Marcello, President and CEO of Hydro One (centre). Students from left to right include: Viviana Piñeros and Krisharni Kalachandran from Ryerson University, Angel Serah and University of Toronto the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) students Noorullah Nour, Abdul Basit, Cristina Mazzai, Abdul Basit and Ahmad Sherzad. Also participating was PEO Coordinator of Student and Government Liaison Programs Gonzalo Piñeros (third from right).

The guest speaker for the event was **Carmine Marcello**, President and CEO of Hydro One, who commented on the importance of hydro rates to real people and the role of organizational excellence in building excellence.

Also participating were PEO Coordinator of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Gonzalo Piñeros** and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

PEO PARTICIPATES IN MPP MEETING WITH OSPE



PEO East Toronto Chapter Chair **Hugo Moreira**, P.Eng., and **Nancy Gillespie** of the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers met with **Arthur Potts** MPP (Beaches-East York) on October 24 at his constituency office. Mr. Potts is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

The group discussed two OSPE reports which were provided in advance of the meeting. One is titled, 'From the World to the Workforce,' and is focused on foreign trained engineers and the other is focused on Metrolinx and the proposed TTC Relief Line.

ENGINEERS PARTICIPATE IN ONTARIO ECONOMIC SUMMIT WITH PREMIER

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce Annual Ontario Economic Summit was held in Niagara on the Lake from October 22-24. The sessions explored how the province can move the economy from a state of recovery to a state of growth.

A number of engineering leaders were in attendance including Ontario Society of Professional Engineers CEO **Sandro Peruzza**, and engineers from HATCH and ArcelorMittal, **Tony Cesta**, P.Eng and **Henry Wegiel**, P.Eng. PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** was also in attendance.

Keynote speakers included Ontario Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) and Quebec Premier **Philippe Couillard**. Ontario's PC and NDP opposition leaders **Jim Wilson** MPP (Simcoe-Grey) and **Andrea Horwath** MPP (Hamilton Mountain) also addressed participants.

Discussions were held on the Ring of Fire, business regulations, improving access to capital, cost of electrification, climate change, pensions and the federal role in Ontario's road from recovery to growth.



OSPE CEO Sandro Peruzza (second from left) speaks with Minister of Energy Bob Chiarelli MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean) (second from right) on October 24 in Niagara at the Lake during the Ontario Economic Summit. Engineers from Hatch and ArcelorMittal, Tony Cesta, P. Eng and Henry Wegiel, P.Eng. were also in attendance and joined in on the discussion.

Mr. Brown and the engineers who participated had a chance to speak with many Ministers and special guests who were in attendance including Government House Leader and Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services **Yasir Naqvi** MPP (Ottawa Centre) Treasury Board President and Deputy Premier **Deb Matthews** MPP (London North Centre), Minister of Aboriginal Affairs **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale), Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport and the Minister Responsible for the Pan AM Games **Michael Coteau** MPP (Don Valley East), Minister of the Environment and Climate Change **Glen Murray** MPP (Toronto Centre), Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean) and former Premier **David Peterson**.

Mr. Brown invited both Minister Murray and Minister Chiarelli to the PEO Annual Queen's Park MPP Reception taking place at the Legislature November 5. Minister Murray remembered with fondness winning PEO's MPP award last year and asked how members of the engineering community were doing.

Work in progress

OUTGOING BELLEVILLE MAYOR TO SPEAK AT NOVEMBER 15th PEO EASTERN REGION ACADEMY



Todd Smith MPP
(Hastings-Prince Edward)



Mayor of Belleville
Neil Ellis

Outgoing Belleville Mayor **Neil Ellis** has just confirmed that he will speak at PEO's upcoming Eastern Region GLP Academy and Congress.

The event is scheduled for November 15th and will be held at the Travelodge Hotel in Belleville.

Todd Smith MPP (Hastings-Prince Edward) PC Critic for 2015 Pan Am Games will also speak at the event.

PEO WEST TORONTO CHAPTER AND OCEPP TO HOST INFRASTRUCTURE EVENT

Professional Engineers Ontario's West Toronto Chapter, in conjunction with the Ontario Centre for Engineering and Public Policy (OCEPP) and two other organizations, is hosting an evening seminar on how to build infrastructure in an era of not-in-my-backyard thinking.

The seminar will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, November 26, at the University of Toronto's St. George Campus.

Speakers include **Richard Carlson**, senior energy policy associate at the Mowat Centre, and **Brian McCormick**, P.Eng., manager, environmental engineering and project support at Hydro One Networks Inc.

Registration and other details will be available soon.

MINISTER TO SPEAK AT PEO FORENSIC ENGINEERING SYMPOSIUM IN PETERBOROUGH



PEO Peterborough Chapter is hosting a symposium on forensic engineering on November 8. Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs **Jeff Leal** MPP (Peterborough) has confirmed that he will again be a guest speaker at this important event.

The event will take place at the McDonnel Street Activity Centre, 577 McDonnel St, Peterborough and is open to members of the public. The event is being sponsored by PEO Peterborough Chapter and the local chapters of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT). More details on this event will be available in the coming weeks.

TWO MPPS NOW CONFIRMED FOR DECEMBER 6th ACADEMY IN TORONTO

Two MPPs are now confirmed to participate in PEO's East Central and West Central Academy on December 6th at PEO Headquarters in Toronto.

Cristina Martins MPP (Davenport) Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade (Citizenship and Immigration) (bottom left) has just confirmed that she will participate and NDP MPP and Attorney General Critic, **Jagmeet Singh** (Bramalea-Gore Malton) (below right), is also scheduled to speak.



The event is one of two Academies being organized in the province this fall. It is being co-chaired by PEO Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter GLP Chair **Tyler Ing**, P. Eng., (left) and PEO Brampton Chapter GLP Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng., (bottom left).



ENGINEERS FROM ACROSS ONTARIO TO ATTEND PEO'S ANNUAL QUEEN'S PARK RECEPTION NEXT WEEK

Engineers from across Ontario will travel to Toronto next week to participate in PEO's Annual Queen's Park MPP Reception.

A total of 47 MPPs have confirmed to attend PEO's annual Queen's Park Day including six Ministers, 13 Parliamentary Assistants, 18 PC MPPs and 10 NDP MPPs.



The reception will be held in the Legislative Dining Room on November 5th from 5 to 7 pm. Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) (pictured right with PEO Registrar **Gerard McDonald**, P.Eng., at an April meeting) is the MPP sponsor for the event and will be attending along with:

- **Teresa Armstrong** MPP (London Fanshawe) NDP Seniors Affairs and Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade Critic
- **Granville Anderson** MPP (Durham) Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Children and Youth Services
- **Bob Bailey** MPP (Sarnia-Lambton), PC Natural Resources (Oil, Gas and Aggregates) Critic
- **Bas Balkissoon** MPP (Scarborough-Rouge River), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services
- **Toby Barrett** MPP (Haldimand-Norfolk), PC Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Critic
- **Lorenzo Berardinetti** MPP (Scarborough Southwest), Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General
- **Hon. Jim Bradley** MPP (St. Catharines), Minister without Portfolio
- **Sarah Campbell** MPP (Kenora-Rainy River), NDP Women's Issues and Aboriginal Affairs Critic
- **Mike Colle** MPP (Eglinton-Lawrence), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation
- **Steve Clark** MPP (Leeds Grenville), PC House Leader
- **Grant Crack** MPP (Glengarry-Prescott-Russell), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Education
- **Cheri DiNovo** MPP (Parkdale-High Park), NDP GTA Issues, LGBTQ Issues and Urban Transportation Critic
- **Han Dong** MPP (Trinity-Spadina) Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities
- **Christine Elliott** MPP (Whitby-Oshawa), PC Deputy Leader
- **Vic Fedeli** MPP (North Bay), PC Finance Critic

- **Hon. Kevin Flynn** MPP (Oakville), Minister of Labour
- **Cindy Forster** MPP (Welland), NDP Community and Social Services & Municipal Affairs and Housing Critic
- **France Gelinas** MPP (Nickel Belt), NDP Health and Long Term Care & Francophone Affairs Critic
- **Ernie Hardeman** MPP (Oxford), PC Municipal Affairs and Housing Critic
- **Tim Hudak** MPP (Niagara West-Glanbrook)
- **Sylvia Jones** MPP (Dufferin-Caledon), PC Attorney General Critic
- **Sophie Kiwala** MPP (Kingston and the Islands), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport
- **Monte Kwinter** MPP (York Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade
- **Marie France Lalonde** MPP (Ottawa Orleans), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (Economic Development) and to the Minister Responsible for Francophone Affairs
- **Michael Mantha** MPP (Algoma-Manitoulin), NDP Northern Development and Mines Critic
- **Gila Martow** MPP (Thornhill), PC Greater Toronto Issues, Francophone Affairs & Intergovernmental Affairs Critic
- **Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry), PC Critic for Children and Youth Services & the Poverty Reduction Strategy
- **Kathryn McGarry** MPP (Cambridge), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation
- **Monte McNaughton** MPP (Lambton-Kent-Middlesex), PC Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade Critic
- **Hon. Reza Moridi** MPP (Richmond Hill), Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities and of Research and Innovation
- **Julia Munro** MPP (York-Simcoe), PC Associate Minister of Finance Critic
- **Eleanor McMahon** MPP (Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Natural Resources
- **Peter Milczyn** MPP (Etobicoke-Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (Infrastructure)
- **Paul Miller** MPP (Hamilton East-Stoney Creek), NDP Tourism, Culture and Sport Critic
- **Norm Miller** MPP (Parry Sound-Muskoka), PC Aboriginal Affairs & Northern Development and Mines (Ring of Fire Issues) Critic

- **Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
- **Randy Pettapiece** MPP (Perth-Wellington), PC Critic for Seniors Issues & Consumer and Government Affairs
- **Jagmeet Singh** MPP (Bramalea-Gore-Malton), NDP Government and Consumer Services & Attorney General Critic
- **Hon. Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South), Minister of Finance
- **Monique Taylor** MPP (Hamilton Mountain), NDP Children and Youth Services Critic
- **Lisa Thompson** MPP (Huron Bruce), PC Environment and Climate Change Critic
- **John Vanthof** MPP (Timiskaming-Cochrane), NDP Party Whip
- **Bill Walker** MPP (Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound), PC Community and Social Services Critic
- **John Yakabuski** MPP (Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke), PC Energy Critic
- **Jeff Yurek** MPP (Elgin-Middlesex-London), PC Natural Resources and Forestry Critic
- Hon. **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale), Minister of Aboriginal Affairs

Engineers from across the province travel to Toronto for PEO's Annual Queen's Park Day. The province's top engineering organizations also participate including Engineer's Canada, Ontario Society of Professional Engineers, Consulting Engineers of Ontario and the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists.

This year a number of engineering students will also participate from Western, Waterloo, York, Conestoga, Ryerson and Windsor. Executive members of the Engineering Student Societies Council of Ontario are also confirmed to participate.

FULL DAY PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER 5 PRIOR TO PEO'S ANNUAL QUEEN'S PARK RECEPTION

PEO has a full day planned for November 5th, prior to its Annual Queen's Park MPP reception.

At 10:30 a.m., during Question Period Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) will introduce PEO President **David Adams**, P.Eng., PEO Past-President **Annette Bergeron**, P.Eng., PEO Vice-Presidents **Michael Wesa**, P.Eng., and **George Comrie**, P.Eng., as well as PEO Registrar **Gerard McDonald**, P.Eng., to the Legislature.

Following question period PEO will attend a lunch event at the Empire Club of Canada at the Royal York Hotel with **Marie France Lalonde** MPP (Ottawa-Orleans), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (Economic Development). The lunch is for former Finance Minister **Greg Sorbara's** book launch for, "The Battlefield of Ontario Politics".

In the afternoon a meeting will be held with **Jennifer French** MPP (Oshawa), NDP Critic for Pensions. Mr. Adams and Mr. McDonald will also meet with Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur**.

Following the meeting, PEO will hold its monthly Government Liaison Committee (GLC) meeting at the Legislature, which will be hosted by Government Whip **Bob Delaney** MPP (Mississauga-Streestville) Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Energy.

The GLC meeting will be followed by the main event, PEO's November 5th Annual Queen's Park MPP Reception. The event will feature remarks from Minister Meilleur, PC Attorney General Critic **Sylvia Jones** MPP (Dufferin-Caledon) and NDP Attorney General Critic **Jagmeet Singh** MPP (Bramalea-Gore-Malton).



Attorney General
Madeleine Meilleur



Sylvia Jones MPP
(Dufferin-Caledon)



Jagmeet Singh MPP
(Bramalea-Gore-Malton)

PEO President **Adams**, and OSPE President **Danny Young**, P.Eng., will also provide remarks. Awards will be given out to three MPPs, one from each party, for their support of engineering. PEO's Government Liaison Program will also give an award to a chapter for their good work in 2013/14.



PEO President David Adams, P.Eng.



OSPE President Danny Young, P.Eng.

Members of PEO's Annual Queen's Park Reception planning committee include:

Jonathan Hack, P.Eng., Ontario Society of Professional Engineers representative, **Hafiz Bashir**, P.Eng., GLP Chair Kingston and the Thousand Islands, **Jonathan Risto**, P.Eng., Engineers Canada representative, **Darla Campbell**, P.Eng., active in a Riding Association, **Gabe Tse**, P.Eng., GLP Chair Grand River Chapter, **Angel Serah**, Student representative, **Gonzalo Piñeros**, PEO Coordinator, **Ralph Martin**, PEO Manager and **Howard Brown**, PEO Government Relations Consultant.

Upcoming Events

November 3 – Annette Verschuren, NRStor and **Peter Melanson**, Bullfrog Power will speak at the Toronto Region Board of Trade, 1 First Canadian Place, Toronto from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$79 for members and \$99 for non-members, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://www.bot.com/events/Pages/details.aspx?MeetingId=c4bcd67f-3c4e-e411-84fa-0050569c005c>.

November 4 – Rich Kruger, Chairman, President & CEO, Imperial Oil Limited will speak to the Economic Club of Canada at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier, 1 Rideau St., Ottawa from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. He will speak on the changing energy landscape and Canada's place in the new energy abundance. Tickets are \$500 for members and \$110 for non-members, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://www.economicclub.ca/events/display/a-changing-energy-landscape-canadas-place-in-the-new-energy-abundance>.

NEW! November 6 – Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry **Bill Mauro** MPP (Thunder Bay-Atikokan) will host a cocktail reception at Festival Tower in the Bell Lightbox, 80 John St., Toronto in the Cinema Room, 10th floor. The event will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$350 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information, visit www.tba.ridingassociation.org/pEvent.

NEW! November 6 – The Ontario Energy Network will honour **Anthony Haines**, President and CEO of Toronto Hydro, as the 2014 Canadian Energy Person of the Year at the Sheraton Centre Toronto, 123 Queen St. West, Toronto at 5:30 p.m. Guest speakers include Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean). For more information, contact <http://www.energy.ca/content/energy-canadian-energy-person-year>.

November 6 – **Gila Martow** MPP (Thornhill) will host a Denim and Diamonds Party at Avenue Banquet Hall, 1600 Steeles Ave. West, Vaughan at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$150 each and \$75 for students. For more information, visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/PartyEvents/726>.

November 6 – TVO will host its annual Tribute Gala to celebrate former TVO Chairs and CEOs **Isabel Bassett** and **Peter Herrndorf**. Ms. Bassett is a former MPP and Minister. Former Premiers **William Davis**, **Ernie Eves**, **Mike Harris**, **Dalton McGuinty**, **David Peterson** and **Bob Rae** are Honourary Chairs of the evening. The event will be at 7 p.m. at the Fermenting Cellar, 28 Distillery Lane, Distillery District, Toronto. For more information or to order tickets contact Howard Brown at 416-844-1180 or howard@brown-cohen.com.

November 6 – Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care **John Fraser** MPP (Ottawa South) will attend the Ottawa South Provincial Liberal Association's 2nd Annual Fall Fundraiser for Fraser at the Ottawa Marriott, Sussex Room, 100 Kent St., Ottawa from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$200 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information, contact Ivy-Lea Lunau at ilunau@ontarioliberal.ca or 613-422-2645.

November 6 – Federal Minister of Employment and Social Development and Multiculturalism **Jason Kenney** MP (Calgary Southeast) will speak to the Toronto Region Board of Trade on ensuring Canadians have the skills in demand today. The event will take place at 1 First Canadian Place, 4th Floor, Toronto from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$79 for members and \$99 for non-members, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://www.bot.com/events/Pages/details.aspx?MeetingId=ff2e2a54-c248-e411-84fa-0050569c005c>.

November 13 – **Michael Harris** MPP (Kitchener-Conestoga) is hosting his 7th Annual Blue Wave networking event at Deer Ridge Golf Club at 200 Deer Ridge Dr, Kitchener, ON. In attendance will be several Ontario PC Caucus members and party leadership candidates. Tickets are \$200. For more information, or to order tickets, please visit <https://secure.ontariopc.com/PartyEvents/721>.

NEW! November 13 – Minister of Children and Youth Services and Women's Issues **Tracy MacCharles** MPP (Pickering-Scarborough East) will host an evening reception with special guest, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure **Brad Duguid** MPP (Scarborough Centre). The event will take place at Estate Banquets, 430 Nugget Ave., Toronto from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information, contact tracymaccharlesevents@ontarioliberalfund.com or 416-961-3800 ext. 672.

November 14-16 – The **Ontario NDP** 2014 Convention will take place at the South Building Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 222 Bremner Boulevard, in Toronto. For more information or to register to attend, please visit http://www.ontariondp.ca/convention_2014.

November 17 – Minister of Community and Social Services **Helena Jaczek** MPP (Oak Ridges-Markham) will attend an evening reception with special guest Minister of Energy **Bob Chiarelli** MPP (Ottawa West-Nepean) at the Toronto Zoo, Panda Interpretive Centre, 2000 Meadowvale Rd., Toronto from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The event will be co-chaired by **Anna Bortolus** and **Howard Brown**. Tickets are \$400 each, RSVP is recommended. For more information, contact Kelly Dunn at 416-885-3026.

November 17 - Arthur Potts MPP (Beaches-East York), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs will host a reception with Transportation Minister **Steven Del Duca** MPP (Vaughan). The event is taking place at the Royal Canadian Military Institute, 426 University Avenue, in Toronto. Tickets are \$300. For more information email friendsofarthurpotts@gmail.com.

November 19 – **Ontario PC** Leadership Contenders Dinner will be an opportunity to meet and greet with **Patrick Brown** MP (Barrie), **Christine Elliott** MPP (Whitby-Oshawa), **Vic Fedeli** MPP (North Bay) and **Monte McNaughton** MPP (Lambton Kent Middlesex) on November 19 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. The event will be held at the Paramount Conference & Event Venue, 222 Rowntree Dairy Road, Woodbridge. Tickets are \$500. For more information and to register go to: <https://secure.ontariopc.com/Events/725>.

November 19 – **Ed Clark**, Member of the Advisory Council for Habitat for Humanity Greater Toronto Area and retiring CEO of TD Bank Financial Group, will speak to the Economic Club of Canada on housing challenges in the GTA. The event will take place at One King West Hotel, 1 King St. West, Toronto from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$89 for members and \$110 for non-members. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1tFlvlu>.

NEW! November 21 – The Hamilton Mountain Conservative EDA will host an evening reception with special guest Federal Finance Minister **Joe Oliver** MP (Eglinton Lawrence). The event will take place at Marquis Gardens, 1050 Rymal Rd. East, Hamilton from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets \$125 each or \$150 at the door. For more information, contact <https://secure.ontariopc.com/PartyEvents/724>.

November 24 – Ontario's Deputy Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Dr. **Robert Bell** will speak to the Toronto Region Board of Trade, 1 First Canadian Place, Toronto from 12 to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$79 for members and \$99 for non-members, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://www.bot.com/events/Pages/details.aspx?MeetingId=45d3a120-cb48-e411-84fa-0050569c005c>.

NEW! November 24 – The Ontario Liberal Fund will host the Ontario Trillium Dinner at the Ottawa Convention Centre, 55 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa at 6 p.m. Guest speakers include Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West). Tickets are \$600 each, registration is recommended. For more information, contact Ivy-Lea Lunau at 613-422-2645.

November 28 – **Andy Byford**, Chief Executive Officer of the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) will speak to the Toronto Region Board of Trade on opportunities for a better TCC at 1 First Canadian Place, 4th Floor, Toronto from 12 to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$79 for members and \$99 for non-members, registration is required. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1rFYvBs>.

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