



## Government Liaison Program (GLP) Weekly June 26, 2015



### ENGINEERS AND MPPS PARTICIPATE IN PC LEADER'S TORONTO DINNER

Ontario PC Leader **Patrick Brown** (centre) hosted his inaugural Toronto Leader's Dinner on June 17. With him in the photo are (left to right) CEO of Consulting Engineers Ontario (CEO) **Barry Steinberg**, P.Eng, CEO Chair **Dave Bannister**, P.Eng., PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P. Eng., and **Jack McLaren**, P.Eng, MPP (Carleton-Mississippi Mills), PC Senate and Democratic Reform Critic.

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# TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE DISCUSS CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
2. PEO AND PREMIER CELEBRATE MINISTER'S 20 YEARS OF SERVICE IN THUNDER BAY
3. MPP AND COUNCILLOR ATTEND PEO OAKVILLE ANNUAL BBQ
4. FORMER PEO PRESIDENT PARTICIPATES IN NDP RALLY FOR CHANGE
5. PEO TO HOLD 9TH ANNUAL QUEEN'S PARK MPP RECEPTION
6. DATES CHOSEN FOR PEO GLP EASTERN AND CENTRAL ACADEMY AND CONGRESSES

## BREAKING NEWS

### PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE DISCUSS CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



PEO Government Liaison Committee (GLC) Chair **Darla Campbell**, P.Eng., (front row centre) participated in the PEO GLC meeting at PEO Headquarters on June 16 in Toronto. With her in the photo are (left to right) (front row) EIT Representative **Daniel King**, EIT, Student Representative **Angel Serah**, PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., GLP Chair Kingston **Hafiz Bashir**, P.Eng., (back row) PEO Student and Government Liaison Programs Coordinator **Gonzalo Piñeros**, EIT., PEO Director of Policy and Professional Affairs **Bernie Ennis**, P.Eng., Advisory Committee on Volunteers Representative **Michael Chan**, P.Eng., and Consulting Engineers of Ontario Representative **Bill Allison**, P.Eng.

Attending the meeting were PEO Government Liaison Committee (GLC) Chair **Darla Campbell**, P.Eng., Engineering Intern Representative **Daniel King**, EIT, Student Representative **Angel Serah**, PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., Kingston Chapter GLP Chair **Hafiz Bashir**, P.Eng., PEO Student and Government Liaison Programs Coordinator **Gonzalo Piñeros**, EIT., PEO Director of Policy and Professional Affairs **Bernie Ennis**, P.Eng., Advisory Committee on Volunteers Representative **Michael Chan**, P.Eng., and Consulting Engineers of Ontario Representative **Bill Allison**, P.Eng. Participating via conference call were PEO Councillors **Rakesh Shrewastav**, P.Eng., and **Ishwar Bhatia**, P.Eng.

The committee reviewed PEO's successes at the two most recent GLP Academies and Congresses; Northern in Timmins and Western in Blue Mountain. They heard reports from committees including Take Your MPP to Work Day, Operational Plan, Regulatory Issues, GLP and Chair Engagement and Queen's Park Day. They also heard partner reports from CEO, Engineering Student Society Council of Ontario and Engineers Canada.

The PEO Government Liaison Committee (GLC) held its quarterly Face to Face meeting on June 16. The meeting featured PEO 2013-2014 President **Annette Bergeron**, P.Eng.

She presented on her work as the Chair of PEO's Continuing Professional Development, Competency and Quality Assurance Task Force. She provided an overview of the committee's recommendations that were presented to the PEO Council on May 28.

# MPP MEETINGS

## OSPE AND PEO HOLD JOINT MEETING WITH PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANT



Yvan Baker MPP (Etobicoke Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the President of the Treasury Board (right) met with PEO President-Elect George Comrie, P.Eng., (left) and PEO Councillor Marilyn Spink, P.Eng., (centre) in a joint meeting on June 11.

PEO President-Elect **George Comrie**, P.Eng., and member of the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers Political Action Network (PAN) **Marilyn Spink**, P.Eng., attended a joint OSPE PAN/PEO GLP meeting with **Yvan Baker** MPP (Etobicoke Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the President of the Treasury Board on June 11. Ms. Spink is also a PEO Councillor.

At the meeting, they discussed the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers underemployment of engineers report, the Ring of Fire and Elliott Lake Commission of Inquiry.

## MPP AND COUNCILLOR ATTEND PEO OAKVILLE ANNUAL BBQ

PEO Oakville Chapter hosted a successful annual BBQ and picnic on June 13.

The guest speakers were **Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, Halton and Oakville Councillor **Tom Adams**.

Ms. Naidoo-Harris presented a scroll to the chapter recognizing their contribution and continued dedication to the community on behalf of herself and the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.



**Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care (centre) attended PEO Oakville Chapter's annual BBQ and picnic on June 13. In the photo with her are (left to right) PEO Oakville Chapter Event Coordinator **Zhihuan (Joanna) Wu**, Chapter Chair **Sohail Naseer**, P.Eng., Chapter Secretary and Privacy Officer **Simon Thomas**, EIT, Vice-Chair **Len D'Elia**, P.Eng., past PEO Oakville Chapter Chair **Fred Dattoo**, P.Eng., and PEO Chapter GLP Chair **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng.



# EVENTS ATTENDED

## PEO AND PREMIER CELEBRATE MINISTER'S 20 YEARS OF SERVICE IN THUNDER BAY



Northern Development and Mines Minister **Michael Gravelle** MPP (Thunder Bay-Superior North) (centre left) celebrated 20 years of public service on June 15. With him in the photo are Ontario Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) (centre right), Lakehead Chapter Representative **Amalia Rey-McIntyre**, EIT, (right) and three lawyers from Petrone Law Firm.

Northern Development and Mines Minister **Michael Gravelle** MPP (Thunder Bay-Superior North) celebrated his 20th year of public service on June 15 in Thunder Bay.

Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) was the guest speaker at the tribute. Also attending the event was Lakehead Chapter Representative **Amalia Rey-McIntyre**, EIT. Ms. Rey-McIntyre also participated in the PEO Northern Region Academy and Congress in Timmins on June 6.

Minister Gravelle has previously attended PEO's Queen's Park Day MPP Receptions and was also a guest speaker at the 2013 Northern Region GLP Academy and Congress in Thunder Bay. Congratulations to Minister Gravelle.

## FORMER PEO PRESIDENT PARTICIPATES IN NDP RALLY FOR CHANGE

NDP Leader **Thomas Mulcair** MP (Outremont) hosted a Rally for Change in Ottawa on June 17. During his speech he emphasized the need for change and his party's plans to stabilize the job market and improve child care.

PEO 2010-2011 President **Diane Freeman**, P.Eng., and **John Hansen** participated in the event as federal NDP candidates for Waterloo and Kanata-Carleton respectively.

Also in attendance were MPs **Paul Dewar** (Ottawa Centre) and **Jack Harris** (St. John's East).



PEO Past President and Waterloo City Councillor **Diane Freeman**, P.Eng., (third from left) and **John Hansen** (right) attended the NDP Rally for Change on June 17 as NDP federal Candidates for Waterloo and Kanata-Carleton respectively. Attending the rally with them are (left to right) PEO Ottawa Chapter Chair **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., Dr. **Ray Barton**, PEO Ottawa Chapter Director **Tapan Das**, P.Eng., **Paul Dewar** MP (Ottawa Centre), and Ottawa Chapter GLP Committee member **Fouad (Frank) Khalil**, P. Eng.

Many PEO Ottawa Chapter engineers were in attendance at the event, including Ottawa Chapter Chair **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., PEO Ottawa Chapter Director **Tapan Das**, P.Eng., and Ottawa Chapter GLP Committee member **Fouad (Frank) Khalil**, P. Eng. To watch Mr. Mulcair's complete speech, click here: <http://www.ndp.ca/live>.

# EVENTS ATTENDED

## ENGINEERS AND PC LEADER PARTICIPATE IN PC CRITIC EVENT



**Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry), PC Children and Youth Services Critic (second from right) hosted an event with special guest PC Party Leader **Patrick Brown** on June 19. With him in the photo are (left to right) PEO Ottawa Chapter Chair **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., PEO Ottawa Chapter Director **Tapan Das**, P.Eng., PEO Upper Canada Chapter Executive **Wendy Perry**, P.Eng., and PEO Upper Canada Chapter GLP Chair **Jeff Neilson**, P.Eng.

**Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry), PC Children and Youth Services Critic hosted an event on June 19. PC Party Leader **Patrick Brown** was a special guest.

Many engineers attended the event, including PEO Ottawa Chapter Chair **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., PEO Upper Canada Chapter Executive **Wendy Perry**, P.Eng., PEO Upper Canada Chapter GLP Chair **Jeff Neilson**, P.Eng. and PEO Ottawa Chapter Director **Tapan Das**, P.Eng.

## PEO PRESIDENT PARTICIPATES AT HONG KONG CHIEF EXECUTIVE RECEPTION



PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., (right) with **C. Y. Leung** at the “Think Asia, Think Hong Kong” Symposium on June 8.

PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., attended the “Think Asia, Think Hong Kong” Symposium on June 8.

Visiting Chief Executive of Hong Kong, **C. Y. Leung**, hosted the event. Mr. Chong had the opportunity to meet with Hong Kong Government senior staff, business, industry and education sectors representatives.

Mr. Chong briefly explained to Mr. Leung and his senior staff how PEO protects the public interest and regulates the engineering profession in Ontario and opened opportunity for their collaborative support. Mr. Leung also met with Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) on the same day.

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## ENGINEERS AND MPPS ATTEND PC LEADER'S TORONTO DINNER



Finance Minister **Joe Oliver** MPP (Eglinton-Lawrence) (centre right) attended the PC Leader's Toronto Dinner on June 17. With him in the photo are (left to right) CEO of Consulting Engineers Ontario (CEO) **Barry Steinberg**, P.Eng, CEO Chair **Dave Bannister**, P.Eng., and PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P. Eng.

Ontario PC Leader **Patrick Brown** hosted his inaugural Leader's Dinner on June 17. Over 1000 business leaders attended and over \$1.5 million was raised.

In his speech, Mr. Brown emphasized the priorities of the PC Party: improved roads, affordable energy and reduced red tape. He said:

"As PCs, we'll support what is in the best interest of Ontario, regardless of (whether) that idea came from our party, Liberals or NDP. When another party has a good idea that will benefit Ontarians, I believe we should support it."

For more on this story, visit here: <http://on.thestar.com/1e5G9uo>.

Attending the dinner were PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**. They spoke with many MPPs including **Bill Walker** MPP (Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound), PC Community and Social Services Critic, **Todd Smith** MPP (Prince Edward-Hastings), PC 2015 Pan and Parapan American Games Critic, **John Yakabuski** MPP (Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke), PC Energy Critic, **Gila Martow** MPP (Thornhill), PC Francophone Affairs and Greater Toronto Area Issues Critic, and **Lisa MacLeod** MPP (Nepean-Carleton), PC President of the Treasury Board Critic.

# WORK IN PROGRESS

## PEO TO HOLD 9TH ANNUAL QUEEN'S PARK MPP RECEPTION



2014-2015 PEO President **David Adams**, P.Eng., (centre) and Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) (far right) were on hand to congratulate three MPPs who were recognized at last year's Queen's Park Reception on November 5 for their contribution to the profession of engineering in Ontario. From left to right awarded MPPs include **Catherine Fife** MPP (Kitchener-Waterloo), NDP Finance and Treasury Board Critic, Minister of Community and Social Services **Helena Jaczek** MPP (Oak Ridges-Markham) and Deputy Opposition House Leader **Julia Munro** MPP (York-Simcoe), PC Associate Minister of Finance Critic.

PEO will hold its 9th Annual Reception at Queen's Park for MPPs on October 21.

The receptions started in 2005. Every year invitations are sent to MPPs from all parties and it is very well attended. Last year, over 50 MPPs participated in the reception.

An MPP from each political party will be honoured for their contribution to the profession of engineering. PEO Chapters are recognized for their work on the Government Liaison Program (GLP).



# WORK IN PROGRESS

## DATES CHOSEN FOR PEO GLP EASTERN AND CENTRAL ACADEMY AND CONGRESSES



PC Interim Leader **Jim Wilson** MPP (Simcoe-Grey) (front centre left) and **Ann Hogarth** MPP (Barrie), Parliamentary Assistant to the Ministry of Labour (front centre right) were both guest speakers at the PEO GLP Western Region Academy and Congress on June 13. With them in the photo are (left to right) (back) PEO Brantford Chapter Chair **Richard Chmura**, P.Eng., Georgian Bay Chapter Representative **Umar Afzaal**, P.Eng., PEO Student and Government Liaison Programs Coordinator **Gonzalo Piñeros**, EIT, PEO Windsor GLP Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., Georgian Bay Chapter Past GLP Chair **Vajahat Banday**, P.Eng., Georgian Bay Chapter GLP Chair **Heiner Philipp**, P.Eng., London Chapter Representative **Nazifa Beganovic**, EIT, Georgian Bay Chapter Representative **Vivender Adunuri**, P.Eng., PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**, (front) PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., PEO Councillor **Ewald Kuczera**, P.Eng., PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., and London Chapter Representative **Nadjia Lafontaine**, P.Eng.

PEO has chosen the dates for its Eastern and East Central and West Central Region GLP Academies and Congresses.

The Eastern Academy, hosted by the PEO Ottawa Chapter, will be held in Ottawa on October 4. The joint East Central and West Central Academy, hosted by the Oakville and East Toronto Chapters, will be held in Toronto on November 28.

Previous GLP Academies and Congresses have been held in Hamilton, Windsor, London, Cambridge, Belleville, Kingston, Thousand Islands, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, Timmins and Blue Mountain.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**NEW! June 26 - Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care is hosting an evening of Cocktails and Art with special guest Minister of Research and Innovation, and Training, Colleges and Universities **Reza Moridi** MPP (Richmond Hill) at the Harrop House Restaurant 345 Steeles Ave. East Milton from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$350 each. For more information, call 416-579-3085 or email [halton.fundraising@gmail.com](mailto:halton.fundraising@gmail.com).

**NEW! June 27 - Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care is hosting her 1st Annual Community BBQ at Rotary Park, 100 Garden Lane, Milton from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact [inaidoo-harris.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org](mailto:inaidoo-harris.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org).

**June 27** – The Hamilton Mountain PC Riding Association is hosting a Golf Tournament, dinner and silent auction with special guest Ontario PC Leader **Patrick Brown** at the Knollwood Golf Course, 914 Book Rd. West, Ancaster, ON starting at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$125 each. For more information, contact [elaine.conservative@hotmail.com](mailto:elaine.conservative@hotmail.com).

**NEW! July 7** – The Podium Club and **Ignat Kaneff** will host an evening reception for **Peter Fonesca**, federal Liberal Candidate for Mississauga East-Cookville with special guest former Mayor **Hazel McCallion** at the Lionhead Golf Club and Conference Centre, 8525 Mississauga Rd., from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each. For more information, contact Adam Larouche at 416.738.0707 or [peter@peterfonseca.ca](mailto:peter@peterfonseca.ca).

# UPCOMING EVENTS

**July 20** – The Ontario Liberal Party will host its GTA & Central Golf Tournament and reception with special guests Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) and Finance Minister **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) at the Emerald Hills Golf Club 14001 Warden Ave., Whitchurch-Stouffville. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Tickets are \$3,200 for a foursome. For more information, contact Suaad Ali at 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or [sali@ontarioliberal.ca](mailto:sali@ontarioliberal.ca).

**August 7-9** – The Couchiching Institute for Public Affairs Annual Conference will be held at the YMCA Geneva Park Conference Centre, Orillia. Rates are \$932.25 each for two nights and \$706.25 for one night. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1FmUteu>.

**NEW! August 19** – **Lisa MacLeod** MPP (Nepean-Carleton), PC Critic for President of the Treasury Board is hosting her 10th Annual Golf Classic and Maritime Surf & Turf at the Emerald Links Golf and Country Club, 6357 Emerald Links Dr., Greely from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$200 each. For more information, contact Kayla Fernet at [lisa@lisamacleod.ca](mailto:lisa@lisamacleod.ca).

**August 25** – Ontario Liberal Party's 10th Annual Patio Party with special guest Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) at The One Eight, 55 Bloor St. West, Manulife Centre, 51st Floor from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each. For more information, contact Suaad Ali 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or [sali@ontarioliberal.ca](mailto:sali@ontarioliberal.ca).

**August 31** – **Norm Miller** MPP (Parry Sound-Muskoka), PC Critic of Aboriginal Affairs, and Northern Development and Mines (Ring of Fire Issues), will host his annual golf day at Rocky Crest Golf Resort, 20 Barnwood Dr., Mactier, Ontario, at 10:30 a.m. Golf, cart and dinner tickets are \$250 each, or \$1,000 per foursome. Single dinner tickets are \$50 each. For more information, contact [normmiller.pc@gmail.com](mailto:normmiller.pc@gmail.com).

**NEW! September 30** - Ottawa-Orléans Provincial Liberal Association is hosting an evening reception with special guests Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) and **Marie-France Lalonde** MPP (Ottawa-Orléans) at Hart House, University of Toronto from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$500 each. For more information, call 416-206-7122 or email [kyle.j.reaburn@gmail.com](mailto:kyle.j.reaburn@gmail.com).

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