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PREMIER CELEBRATES CANADA DAY AT QUEEN'S PARK

Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) (centre left) hosted a celebration for Ontarians to enjoy the country's 148th birthday on Canada Day at Queen's Park on July 1. With her in the photo is her partner **Jane Rounthwaite** (left) and a father and daughter.

For more on other Canada Day stories, see page 4.
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TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

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5. PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANT HELPS LAUNCH 27TH INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT RACE FESTIVAL
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BREAKING NEWS

PEO COUNCIL RETREAT LOOKS AT ELLIOT LAKE AS PRIORITY



PEO President
Thomas Chong, P.Eng.

PEO Council held its annual retreat at the White Oaks Conference Centre in Niagara-On-The-Lake from June 18 to 20. They discussed implementing their organizational goals over the next year and they decided on five priorities they will work on with the Attorney General's office:

1. Follow through on Elliot Lake recommendations
2. Potential Act changes to implement the Elliot Lake recommendations
3. Continuing professional development
4. Specialist designation.
5. Repeal of Industrial Exception

Various task forces and senior staff made presentations during the retreat to open up the conversation to help develop the goals.

PEO President **Thomas Chong, P.Eng.**, released an update on PEO's new focus on innovation, recognition and collaboration on July 3. To support this new focus, PEO will host five regional Town Halls this fall.

The goal of these Town Halls is to keep professional engineers informed and seek their input in establishing the five goals decided by PEO Council.

Region	Host Chapter/City	Date	Time
Eastern	Ottawa Chapter/ Ottawa	September 29, 2015	7 – 9 p.m.
Northern	North Bay Chapter/ North Bay	October 6, 2015	7 – 9 p.m.
Western	London Chapter/ London	November 3, 2015	7 – 9 p.m.
West Central	West Central Region Chapters	November 9, 2015	7 – 9 p.m.
East Central	East Central Region Chapters	November 12, 2015	7 – 9 p.m.

GLOBALIZATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENTS TO IMPACT ENGINEERING PROFESSION

The Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Canada (ACEC-Canada) hosted its Leadership Summit from June 11 to 13 in Niagara Falls.

A panel discussion on June 12 with **John Boyd**, P.Eng., international consultant and educator discussed the impact that globalization and the environmental movement will have on the profession of engineering.



Former Consultant to the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada **John Boyd**, P.Eng., spoke on a panel at the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies (ACEC) Leadership Summit from June 11 to 13 in Niagara Falls.

He said “while for years engineers have aimed to be trusted advisors to clients, they also now need to be trusted advisors to society.”

In a story from *Canadian Consulting Engineer* magazine, he told the national meeting that when executing a project, engineers must now concern themselves with minimizing energy, water and material consumption, minimizing greenhouse gas emission as well as health and safety and human rights.

To read the full story, click here: <http://bit.ly/1KnhPAH>.

WOMEN IN CONSULTING ENGINEERING RECEIVE NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Canada (ACEC-Canada) presented its Chair’s Award to the Technical Women In Consulting Engineering (TWICE) Committee at its annual Leadership Summit in Niagara Falls on June 12.

Accepting the award on behalf of TWICE was Chair of ACEC-Manitoba’s TWICE committee **Kristen Poff**.

The award is given to groups that make exceptional contributions to the consulting engineering community. TWICE was formed in 2013 to provide strategies to increase diversity and representation of women in the engineering profession. It offers best practices for life-work balance and help facilitating opportunities to encourage networking, mentoring, and professional development of women in the profession.

To read the full story, click here:
<http://bit.ly/1J4g8Ux>.



Kristen Poff, Chair of Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Canada (ACEC-Canada) Manitoba’s Technical Women in Consulting Engineering (TWICE) committee.

EVENTS ATTENDED

MINISTER OF HEALTH PARTICIPATES IN CANADA DAY EVENT WITH MP



Ontario Health and Long-Term Care Minister Dr. **Eric Hoskins** MPP (St. Paul's) (centre left) and **Carolyn Bennett** MP (St. Paul's) (left) celebrate Canada Day at Wells Park in Toronto on July 1. With them in the Photo are **Sara** and **Shai Greenfield** (centre right and right)

MPs and MPPs across the province held Canada Day barbecues and picnics on July 1 to celebrate Canada's 148th birthday.

Veteran MP **Carolyn Bennett** (St. Paul's) held her annual Canada Day celebration at Wells Hill Park in Toronto. Participating in the event were Ontario Health and Long-Term Care Minister Dr. **Eric Hoskins** MPP (St. Paul's) and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**. Both Minister Hoskins and Ms. Bennett have been speakers at PEO's Annual Meetings in recent years.

Mr. Brown also participated in a Canada Day event for federal Finance Minister **Joe Oliver** MP (Eglinton-Lawrence) at Marshall McLuhan Catholic Secondary School in Toronto.

Minister Oliver spoke at the event about the Federal Government's new \$2.6 billion investment in Toronto's SmartTrack and their \$42 million investment in the new Canadian Centre for Aging and Brain Health Innovation at Baycrest in Toronto.

Mr. Brown also stopped by the Canada Day event at Marc Garneau Collegiate hosted by Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West).

At that event he spoke with three students from the school who will be attending the University of Toronto engineering program.



Federal Finance Minister **Joe Oliver** MPP (Eglinton-Lawrence) and former Senator **Consiglio Di Nino** celebrate Canada's 148th birthday at Marshall McLuhan Catholic Secondary School on July 1.

EVENTS ATTENDED

MINISTER, MPP AND PEO MANAGER PARTICIPATE IN DIVERSITY EXPO



Indira Naidoo-Harris MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care participated in the Diversity Runway multicultural fashion show at the Diversity Expo in Toronto on June 26.

Toronto was the host city of the Diversity Expo that was held at the Royal York Hotel on June 26. The event showcased harmony and innovation through a unique fair on career, employment, entrepreneurship and health. The Expo also featured seminars and a multicultural fashion show, called the Diversity Runway.

Special guests at the event included Minister of Citizenship and Immigration **Chris Alexander** MP (Ajax-Pickering) who was the Expo's keynote speaker as well as **Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, who headlined the multicultural fashion show.

Also in attendance were PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., and former Ontario Fairness Commissioner **Jean Augustine**.

PEO worked closely with Ms. Augustine and the Office of the Fairness Commissioner in regards to licencing practices.



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EVENTS ATTENDED

PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANT HELPS LAUNCH 27TH INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT RACE FESTIVAL



Soo Wong MPP (Scarborough-Agincourt), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community and Social Services (left), cut the ribbon at the 27th the International Dragon Boat Race Festival on June 20. With her in the photo is **Han Dong** MPP (Trinity-Spadina), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities. Photo Credit: <http://bit.ly/1JYUWIV>.

The 27th Annual International Dragon Boat Race Festival was held in Toronto from June 20-21st.

Organized by the Toronto Chinese Business Association and Toronto International Dragon Boat Race Festival, it saw over 1000 paddlers competing over a two-day period at the Toronto Centre Islands.

Soo Wong MPP (Scarborough-Agincourt), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community and Social Services, cut the ribbon that opened the ceremony.

Other politicians present included Senator **Victor Oh**, **Han Dong**, MPP (Trinity-Spadina), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, and Toronto Deputy Mayor and City Councillor **Denzel Minnon-Wong**.

Also participating in the boat races was PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng.



WORK IN PROGRESS

PEO GLP EASTERN REGION ACADEMY AND CONGRESS TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 3

PEO has selected the date for its GLP Eastern Region Academy and Congress.

It will be hosted by the PEO Ottawa Chapter and will be held in Ottawa on October 3. PEO Ottawa Chapter GLP Chair **Hubert Mamba**, EIT, will be hosting the event.

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



PEO Ottawa Chapter GLP Chair **Hubert Mamba**, EIT, (left) will be the chair of this year's PEO GLP Eastern Region Academy and Congress. In the photo above, he is at an event with **Marc Garneau**, P.Eng., MP (Westmount-Ville-Marie) and PEO Ottawa Chapter Chair **Guy Boone**, P. Eng.

PEO TO HOLD 9TH ANNUAL QUEEN'S PARK MPP RECEPTION ON OCTOBER 21



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

One of Co-Chairs for this year's reception is a PEO Government Liaison Committee member **Hafiz Bashir**, P.Eng. Mr. Bashir is also the PEO Kingston Chapter GLP Chair.

The invited guest speakers will be Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) and opposition critics **Sylvia Jones** PC MPP (Dufferin-Caledon) and NDP Deputy Leader **Jagmeet Singh** MPP (Bramalea-Gore-Malton). Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West), PC Leader **Patrick Brown** and NDP Leader **Andrea Horvath** MPP (Hamilton Centre) are also being invited to speak.

The PEO receptions started in 2005 and invitations are sent to MPPs from all parties. Last year, over 50 MPPs participated in the reception.

Again this year, an MPP from each political party will also be honoured for their contribution to the profession of engineering. Selected PEO Chapters are also recognized for their work on the GLP.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW! July 16 – Federal Liberal candidate for Willowdale **Ali Ehsassi** will host a fundraiser with former federal Minister of International Trade **Jim Peterson** at Nota Bene, 180 Queen St. West from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$300 each. For more information, contact Celeste Poltak by phone 416-595-2701 or by email cpoltak@kmlaw.ca.

NEW! July 19 - Bas Balkissoon MPP (Scarborough-Rouge River), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, will host his a Community BBQ at Malvern Town Centre, Parking Lot, 31 Tapscott Rd., from 12 to 3 p.m. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact 416-297-5040.

July 20 – The Ontario Liberal Party will host its GTA & Central Golf Tournament and reception with 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 by phone 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or by email sali@ontarioliberal.ca.

NEW! July 21 - Federal Liberal candidate for Davenport **Julie Dzerowicz** will host a fundraising event with **Brian Tobin**, sixth Premier of Newfoundland at the National Club, 303 Bay St., from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$350 each. For more information, visit voteforjulie.ca.

NEW! July 21 - Lorenzo Berardinetti MPP (Scarborough Southwest), Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General will host a fundraising event with Minister Responsible for Senior Affairs **Mario Sergio** MPP (York West) at Dentons Canada LLP, 77 King St. West, fifth floor from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$250 each. For more information, contact Howard Brown by phone 416-844-1180 or by email howard@brown-cohen.com.

July 23 – **Joe Dickson** MPP (Ajax-Pickering), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Northern Development and Mines will host his 22nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament and BBQ at Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility, 2700 Audley Rd. N, Ajax starting at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$225 each. For more information, email ddickson@pearlearth.com.

NEW! July 27 – Speaker **Dave Levac** MPP (Brant) is hosting his 13th annual golf tournament at Northridge Golf Course, 320 Balmoral Dr., Brantford starting at 11 a.m. Tickets are \$145 each. For more information, email davelevac@gmail.com.

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 9 - Mark Adler MP (York Centre) is hosting his annual Community BBQ at Earl Bales Park, Picnic Site 3, 4169 Bathurst St. from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend. For more information, phone 416- 638-3700 or email mark.adler@parl.gc.ca.

NEW! August 12 - Yvan Baker MPP (Etobicoke Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the President of the Treasury Board will host a BBQ to celebrate the anniversary of his election victory at 2607 Lake Shore Blvd. West starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$125 each. For more information, email myroslava@rogers.com.

NEW! August 12 – Former Premier **Mike Harris** host the PC Leader's GTA Golf Classic with PC Leader **Patrick Brown** at ClubLink's The Country Club, 20 Lloyd St., Woodbridge, from 10:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$1,500 each. For more information, contact Van Tran by phone 416-848-8156 or by email rsvp@ontariopc.com.

August 15 – PC House Leader **Steve Clark** MPP (Leeds-Grenville) hosts the 29th Annual "An Afternoon in the Islands" at Glen House Resort, 1000 Islands Parkway from 3 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$150 each. For more information, contact Rob Horton at 613-34503436 or Tim Sutton at 613-258-1724.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

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 by phone 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or by email 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.

September 19 – Cindy Forster MPP (Welland) NDP Labour Critic is hosting a celebration of 40 years of NDP service in the riding of Welland at the Canadian Croatian National Home, 6 Broadway Ave, Welland starting at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$100 each. For more information, call Andy Roy by phone 905-735-4302 or by email aroy4@cogeco.ca.

September 30 – Ottawa-Orléans Provincial Liberal Association and **Marie-France Lalonde** MPP (Ottawa-Orléans) is hosting an evening reception with Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) 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.

NEW! November 26 - Former Ontario Finance Ministers **Greg Sorbara** and **Dwight Duncan** will co-chair the 32nd Annual Churchill Society dinner taking to support democracy education with guest speaker Canadian Diplomat **Louise Fréchette** and the 2015 Award for Excellence in the Cause of Parliamentary Democracy recipient Ontario's 21st Premier **Bob Rae** at Concert Hall, Royal York Hotel from 6 to 9 p.m. Early Bird Tickets are \$225 each, up to August 31. For more information, phone 416-410-3377 or email info@churchillsociety.org.

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