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ENGINEERS PARTICIPATE WITH THREE LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT AT PAN AM TORCH RELAY CELEBRATION

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BREAKING NEWS

PREMIERS AND FORMER U.S. VICE PRESIDENT SAY FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE CREATES JOBS



Ontario Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) (centre) hosted the Climate Summit of The Americas on July 9. Guest speakers at the event included former Mexican President **Felipe Calderon** (second from left) as well as Quebec Premier **Philippe Couillard** (second from right).

Ontario Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) hosted the Climate Summit of The Americas from July 7 to 9. Also attending the summit were former U.S. Vice President **Al Gore** and former Mexican President **Felipe Calderon**, as well as Quebec Premier **Philippe Couillard** and California Governor **Jerry Brown**.

Premier Wynne oversaw the signing of a four-point commitment to battle global warming. "Good climate policy is good economic policy," she said. Among the signatories were six Canadian provinces and territories, five U.S. states, four Mexican states and three states in Brazil.

For more on this story, click here: <http://bit.ly/1e10Mrh>.

CARLETON UNDERGRAD AWARDED HYDRO ONE WOMEN IN ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

A third year electrical engineering undergraduate student at Carleton University has won the Hydro One Women in Engineering Scholarship.

Ann Gunaratham was given the award on July 9. She has done work with Engineers Without Borders and was a peer mentor for first year students.

The annual award consists of a monetary prize of \$5,000 and a paid developmental work term with Hydro One. It is presented to female engineering students who “demonstrate strong communications skills, an impressive grade point average (GPA) and community engagement within their field through outreach, volunteer or educational activities with younger girls.”



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For more on this story, click here: <http://bit.ly/1HQHyAO>.

MINISTER TO BE GUEST SPEAKER AT EAST TORONTO CHAPTER LICENCE CEREMONY ON JULY 30



Environment and Climate Change Minister
Glen Murray MPP (Toronto Centre)

Environment and Climate Change Minister **Glen Murray** MPP (Toronto Centre) will be the guest speaker at PEO’s East Toronto Chapter Licence Ceremony on July 30.

Also in the event will be PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., and PEO Councillors.

Thirty new engineers from PEO East Toronto Chapter will receive their professional engineer (P.Eng.) certificates.

Mr. Murray has worked closely with PEO and the engineering community in five portfolios including Transportation, Infrastructure, Training, Colleges and Universities and Research and Innovation.

MPP MEETINGS

PEO TO MEET WITH BOTH PC LEADER AND LABOUR MINISTER

PEO President **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., and PEO Registrar **Gerard McDonald**, P.Eng., have scheduled meetings with both PC Leader **Patrick Brown** and Labour Minister **Kevin Flynn** MPP (Oakville) on September 8.

PEO will discuss the current status of Section 12(3)(a) of the *Professional Engineers Act*, commonly known as the Industrial Exception with Minister Flynn. PEO will brief Mr. Brown on PEO's work on the Elliot Lake Commission recommendations and other PEO issues.



PEO will meet with PC Leader **Patrick Brown** (left) and Labour Minister **Kevin Flynn** MPP (Oakville) (right) on September 8.

EVENTS ATTENDED

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Minister of Aboriginal Affairs **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale) (centre) at the Pan Am Torch Relay Celebration at Mel Lastman Square on July 8. He was asked to show what he would look like if he won a gold medal. With him in the photo is Toronto City Councillor **John Filion** (left).

The Pan Am Games opened in Toronto on July 10 with over 6,000 athletes from 41 countries. A number of engineers and representatives of all three levels of government participated in the Pan Am Torch Relay Celebration at Mel Lastman Square in Toronto 8 July.

Participants included Minister of Aboriginal Affairs **David Zimmer** MPP (Willowdale), **Chungsen Leung** MP (Willowdale) Parliamentary Secretary for Multiculturalism and Toronto City Councillor **John Filion** (Ward 23).

Also in attendance were PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., PEO Investigators **Rodney Young**, P.Eng., **Teresa Veldhuis**, P.Eng., and **Cliff Knox**, P.Eng., PEO Licensing Representative **Sami Lamrad**, PEO Experience Assessments Officer **Nancy Matar**, P.Eng., PEO Corporate Services Administrator **Sylvia Millstein**, PEO Chapters Coordinator **Julia Milter**, PEO Admissions Representatives **Nadiya Hassan** and **Tebello Thoahlane**.

EVENTS ATTENDED

MINISTERS, MPS AND ENGINEER PARTICIPATE IN PM'S ANNOUNCEMENT ON PARK EXPANSION



President and CEO of Veridian Corporation **Michael C. Angemeer**, P.Eng., (left) participated in Prime Minister **Stephen Harper's** announcement about the expansion of the Rouge River National Urban Park on July 11. Attending the announcement with him were (left to right) Regional and City Councillor for Oshawa **John Neal**, Pickering Mayor **Dave Ryan** and Markham Mayor **Frank Scarpitti**.

Prime Minister **Stephen Harper** was in Pickering on July 11 to announce an expansion of the National Urban Park on the Rouge River. It was attended by a number of community leaders as well as Ministers, MPs, Mayors and Civic Officials.

PEO member **Michael Angemeer**, P.Eng., who is the President and CEO of Veridian Corporation, was in attendance along with MPs such as Finance Minister **Joe Oliver** MP (Eglinton-Lawrence), and Citizenship and Immigration Minister **Chris Alexander** MP (Ajax-Pickering).

Former PEO Vice-President **Corneliu Chisu**, P.Eng., MP (Pickering – Scarborough East) invited PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** to attend.

For more information on this story, click here:
<http://bit.ly/1UR1Yz0>.



Prime Minister **Stephen Harper** with Earth Rangers planting flowers at the Pickering Recreation Complex before making an announcement related to expanding Rouge National Urban Park on July 11. Photo Credit: The Hill Times Online.

WORK IN PROGRESS

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 on October 21.

The Co-Chairs for this year's reception are PEO Government Liaison Committee (GLC) members **Hafiz Bashir**, P.Eng., and **Angel Serah**. Mr. Bashir is also the PEO Kingston Chapter GLP Chair, and Ms. Serah is the PEO Student Representative on the GLC.

Attorney General **Madeleine Meilleur** MPP (Ottawa-Vanier) and PC Leader **Patrick Brown** have accepted invitations to speak at the event.

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

Every year, an MPP from each political party is honoured for their contribution to the profession of engineering. Selected PEO Chapters are also recognized for their work on the Government Liaison Program.

PEO SUDBURY CHAPTER CONFIRMS TAKE YOUR MPP TO WORK DAY



France Gélinas
MPP (Nickel Belt)

PEO Sudbury Chapter will participate in its first Take Your MPP to Work Day with **France Gélinas** MPP (Nickel Belt), NDP Aboriginal Affairs, Francophone Affairs and Health and Long-Term Care Critic on September 11.

This event will be held at SNOLAB, an underground laboratory specializing in astroparticle physics in the Vale Creighton Mine. It opened in May 2012 and was constructed for the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO) solar neutrino experiment.

This will be the eighth Take Your MPP to Work Day. Previous MPP participants include Labour Minister **Kevin Flynn** MPP (Oakville), **Cindy Forster** MPP (Welland), NDP Labour Critic, **Bob Bailey** MPP (Sarnia-Lambton), PC Natural Resources Critic, **Mike Colle** MPP (Eglinton-Lawrence), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour, **Teresa Armstrong** MPP (London-Fanshawe), NDP Critic for Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade and Seniors' Affairs, **Arthur Potts** MPP (Beaches-East York), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture,

Food and Rural Affairs, and **Indira Naidoo-Harris** MPP (Halton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care.

All MPPs toured companies in their ridings to see and understand the important work that professional engineers do in their communities. Any MPP interested in participating in such an event is welcome to contact PEO Manager of Student and Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., at jchau@peo.on.ca.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 19 - Bas Balkissoon MPP (Scarborough-Rouge River), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, will host his 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 at 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or sali@ontarioliberal.ca.

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.

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 at 416-844-1180 or 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. North, Ajax starting at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$225 each. For more information, contact ddickson@pearlearth.com.

NEW! July 23 – Mike Colle MPP (Eglinton-Lawrence), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour, will host his 20th Annual Community BBQ and Pasta e Fagioli Festival at Columbus Centre, 901 Lawrence Ave. West, from 5 to 8 p.m. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact 416-781-2395.

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, contact davelevac@gmail.com.

NEW! July 28 - PC Leader **Patrick Brown** and Members of the Ontario PC Caucus will host a meet and greet at Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre, 50 Pim St., Sault Ste Marie, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$125 each. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1DbN8It>.

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>.

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, contact 416- 638-3700 or mark.adler@parl.gc.ca.

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, contact myroslava@rogers.com.

August 12 – Former Premier **Mike Harris** will 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 at 416-848-8156 or rsvp@ontariopc.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 15 – PC House Leader **Steve Clark** MPP (Leeds-Grenville) will host the 29th Annual “Afternoon in the Islands” at Glen House Resort, 1000 Islands Parkway from 3 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$150 each. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1HXu486> or contact Rob Horton at 613-34503436 or Tim Sutton at 613-258-1724.

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 – The Ontario Liberal Party will host its 10th Annual Patio Party with 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 at 416-260-1608 ext. 240 or 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, 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 with at the Canadian Croatian National Home, 6 Broadway Ave, Welland starting at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$100 each. For more information, contact Andy Roy at 905-735-4302 or aroy4@cogeco.ca.

September 30 – Ottawa-Orléans Provincial Liberal Association and **Marie-France Lalonde** MPP (Ottawa-Orléans) will host 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, contact 416-206-7122 or kyle.j.reaburn@gmail.com.

November 26 - Former Ontario Finance Ministers **Greg Sorbara** and **Dwight Duncan** will co-chair the 32nd Annual Churchill Society dinner to support democracy education with Canadian Diplomat **Louise Fréchette** and the 2015 Award for Excellence in the Cause of Parliamentary Democracy recipient and Ontario’s 21st Premier **Bob Rae** at Concert Hall, Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St. West, from 6 to 9 p.m. Early Bird Tickets are \$225 each, up to August 31. For more information, contact 416-410-3377 or info@churchillsociety.org.

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