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BREAKING NEWS

VETERAN MPP RESIGNS SEAT FOR PC LEADER

PC Education Critic **Garfield Dunlop** MPP (Simcoe North) resigned his seat in the Legislature to open up a riding for PC Leader **Patrick Brown**. The announcement was made on July 22.

Mr. Dunlop was first elected to office in 1999. Mr. Brown resigned his seat as the MP for Barrie in the House of Commons when he won the Progressive Conservative leadership in May.

A byelection is expected to be called in the fall, after the federal election.

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



PC Education Critic **Garfield Dunlop** MPP (Simcoe North) (left) resigned his seat for PC Leader **Patrick Brown** (right) on July 22.
Photo credit: Roberta Bell/Postmedia Network

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR THE CANADIAN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING HALL OF FAME



The Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame in Ottawa is seeking nominations for new individuals.

The Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame in Ottawa opened its nomination process on July 21.

The organization is dedicated to recognizing individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the field of science or engineering.

The selection committee will consider all nominations from organizations, individuals, associations and others. The deadline for 2016 nominees is November 1.

For more information and nomination criteria, click here: <http://bit.ly/1lgrZT4>.

PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL LEADERS AGREE ON NATIONAL ENERGY STRATEGY



Canada's 13 Premiers met to discuss and sign a national energy strategy in St. John's on July 17. In attendance were (left to right) Nunavut Premier **Peter Taptuna**, Yukon Premier **Darrell Pasloski**, Ontario Premier **Kathleen Wynne**, Prince Edward Island Premier **Wade MacLauchlan**, B.C. Premier **Christy Clark**, Quebec Premier **Philippe Couillard**, Newfoundland and Labrador Premier **Paul Davis**, Manitoba Premier **Greg Selinger**, New Brunswick Premier **Brian Gallant**, Alberta Premier **Rachel Notley**, Nova Scotia Premier **Stephen McNeil**, Saskatchewan Premier **Brad Wall** and Northwest Territories Premier **Bob McLeod**. Photo credit: Andrew Vaughan/Canadian Press

All 13 Premiers of Canada signed a deal for a national energy strategy in St. John's on July 17 after two days of intense discussion.

This is the first time all 13 provinces and territorial leaders have agreed on a shared goal for energy and climate change.

A Globe and Mail article said that the strategy "confirms the need for more oil pipelines, commits the provinces and territories to cutting regulatory red tape so projects are approved faster and promises to ramp up overseas exports."

For more on this story, click here: <http://bit.ly/1eQ0vA>. To read the Canadian Energy Strategy document, click here: <http://bit.ly/1HM5xh5>.



CIVIL ENGINEER COMPETES IN FINALS AT THE PAN AM GAMES

As was reported in the Globe and Mail, **Sasha Gollish** will be competing in the 1,500 metre finals for the Pan Am Games on July 25.

Ms. Gollish is the second-fastest Canadian woman in the event this year.

She is currently working on her PhD in engineering at the University of Toronto.

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



Sasha Gollish will be competing in finals for the Pan Am Games on July 25.
Photo credit: Globe and Mail

GREEN BUILDING FESTIVAL COMING TO TORONTO THIS FALL



Toronto will host Sustainable Buildings Canada's (SBC's) Green Building Festival on October 1.
Photo courtesy BigStockPhoto.com/lisafx

Sustainable Buildings Canada (SBC) will hold its annual Green Building Festival at Daniel Spectrum in Toronto on October 1.

The festival brings together industry professionals from across the country to change the building industry. The event offers educational presentations, technical training and interactive workshops on the design, construction, and operation of sustainable buildings. International experts will present their innovative projects and case studies addressing the theme.

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

EVENTS ATTENDED

PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR PARTICIPATES IN EVENT WITH MINISTER IN WATERLOO



Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade **Michael Chan** MPP (Markham-Unionville) (centre) visited Waterloo community leaders on July 14. With him in the photo are PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice-Chair **Gabe Tse**, P.Eng., (right), and his spouse, **Frances Tse** (left).

The Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade **Michael Chan** MPP (Markham-Unionville) met with community leaders in Waterloo on July 14.

PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice Chair **Gabe Tse**, P.Eng., was in attendance. Mr. Tse is the Grand River Chapter GLP Chair.

Also participating in the discussion were **Daiene Vernile** MPP (Kitchener Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Research and Innovation, and **Kathryn McGarry** MPP (Cambridge), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation. All three MPPs have been regular participants in PEO Chapter activities.

Mr. Tse told *GLP Weekly* that he discussed various issues with Minister Chan and opportunities for community outreach.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANT HOLDS RECEPTION WITH MINISTER

Lorenzo Berardinetti MPP (Scarborough Southwest), Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General, held a reception on July 21 with guest speaker Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs **Mario Sergio** MPP (York West).

Also participating in the event were former Toronto Police Chief **Bill Blair**, the federal Liberal candidate for Scarborough Southwest, Toronto City Councillor **Michelle Berardinetti** (Ward 35) and a number of Queen's Park staff and stakeholders.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** also attended.

Mr. Brown invited Mr. Berardinetti and Mr. Sergio to PEO's Queen's Park Day on October 21.



Lorenzo Berardinetti MPP (Scarborough Southwest), Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General (centre), held a reception with special guest Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs **Mario Sergio** MPP (York West) (right) on July 21. With them in the photo are former Toronto Police Chief **Bill Blair**, the federal Liberal candidate for Scarborough Southwest, Issues Manager and MPP Liaison and Legislative Assistant **Samia Khandakar** and Toronto City Councillor **Michelle Berardinetti** (Ward 35).

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Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (Don Valley West) and Finance Minister **Charles Sousa** MPP (Mississauga South) hosted the Annual Ontario Liberal Party's GTA & Central Golf Tournament and reception on July 20.

Participating in the event were Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry **Bill Mauro** MPP (Thunder Bay-Atikokan), **Eleanor McMahon** MPP (Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and **Bas Balkissoon** MPP (Scarborough-Rouge River), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services.

Also in attendance were engineers from General Electric Hitachi Nuclear Energy Canada and a number of other stakeholders.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** also attended. Mr. Brown had the opportunity to speak with the Premier and each of the MPPs.

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 GLP CENTRAL REGIONS ACADEMY AND CONGRESS TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 28



Oakville Chapter GLP Chair **Jeffrey Lee, P.Eng.**, and East Toronto Chapter's **Harnett Panesar, P.Eng.**, will be hosting the joint East Central and West Central Academy and Congress in Toronto on November 28.

PEO has chosen the date for its Central Academy and Congress for the East Central and West Central Regions.

The joint East Central and West Central Academy and Congress, hosted by the Oakville and East Toronto Chapters, will be held in Toronto on November 28. Hosting the event will be Oakville Chapter GLP Chair **Jeffrey Lee, P.Eng.**, and East Toronto Chapter's **Harnett Panesar, P.Eng.**

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

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.

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>.

NEW! August 9 - Associate Minister of Finance **Mitzie Hunter** MPP (Scarborough-Guildwood) will host her Annual Summer Fun Fest at Morningside Park, 390 Morningside Ave., from 12 to 3 p.m. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact mhunter.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org.

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 by mark.adler@parl.gc.ca.

NEW! August 11 - NDP House Leader **Gilles Bisson** MPP (Timmins-James Bay) will host his Famous Salmon Fishing Fundraiser at Bluffer's Park Marina, 7 Brimley St. South, starting at 12 p.m. Tickets are \$600 each. For more information, contact GBisson@ndp.on.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 by rsvp@ontariopc.com.

August 15 – PC House Leader **Steve Clark** MPP (Leeds-Grenville) hosts 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 – Ontario Liberal Party's 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 by 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 NDP Leader **Andrea Horwath** MPP (Hamilton Centre) and Deputy Government House Leader **Jim Bradley** MPP (St. Catharines) 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 at 905-735-4302 or by 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, contact at 416-206-7122 or by 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 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, contact 416-410-3377 or by info@churchillsociety.org.

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