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**PEO BRAMPTON CHAPTER ENGINEER PARTICIPATES  
IN EVENT WITH NDP LEADER AND MPPs**

(BRAMPTON) - PEO Brampton Chapter Treasurer **Ranjit Gill**, P.Eng., (left) spoke with Opposition Leader **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (NDP—Hamilton Centre) (right) at a Sikh Heritage Month event in Brampton on April 14. Also attending were Brampton NDP MPPs, **Gurratan Singh**, (Brampton East), **Sara Singh**, (Brampton Centre) and **Kevin Yarde**, (Brampton North).

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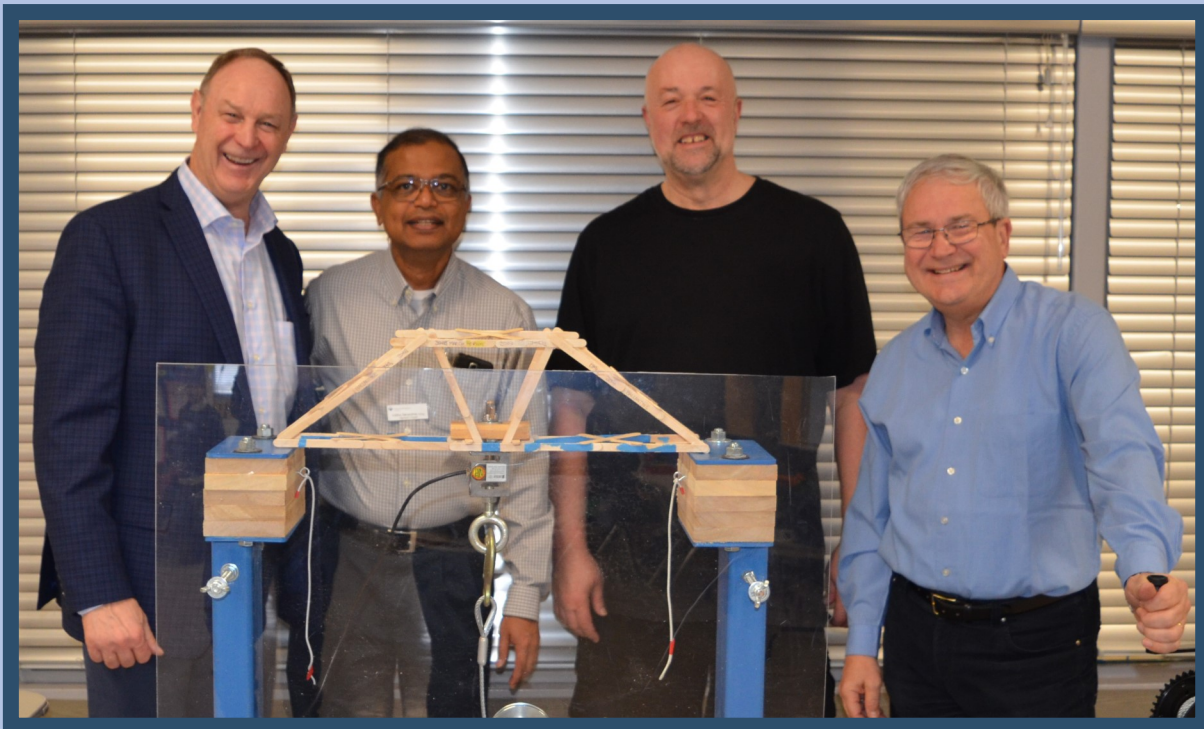
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## TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. MINISTER ATTENDS PEO ALGONQUIN CHAPTER NATIONAL ENGINEERING MONTH EVENT
2. PEO ATTENDS OSPE 10TH ANNUAL LOBBY DAY AND MPP RECEPTION
3. THREE MPPs PARTICIPATE IN PEO SCARBOROUGH CHAPTER NATIONAL ENGINEERING MONTH
4. PEO REPRESENTED AT EVENT WITH TWO MINISTERS AND ENGINEER MPP
5. PEO TO HOLD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN TORONTO ON MAY 4

## EVENTS WITH MPPs

### MINISTER ATTENDS PEO ALGONQUIN CHAPTER NATIONAL ENGINEERING MONTH EVENT



Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry **John Yakabuski**, MPP (PC—Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke), (left), attended the PEO Algonquin Chapter National Engineering Month event on April 6. With him in the photo are (from left to right): PEO Algonquin Chapter Chair **Uditha Senaratne**, P.Eng., Chapter Vice-Chair **Bob Radenovic**, P.Eng., and former Chapter Chair **Lawrence Lupton**, P.Eng.

(PETAWAWA) - The PEO Algonquin Chapter held its National Engineering Month event on April 6, which coincided with the Renfrew County Regional Science and Technology Fair in Petawawa.

Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, **John Yakabuski**, MPP (PC—Renfrew - Nipissing - Pembroke), was the special guest.

PEO chapter volunteers and students prepared various types of bridge displays. Students worked in groups of two to complete their models, which were later tested for their strength based on the 'breaking load applied to weight of the bridge' ratio.

The chapter has built an excellent relationship with Minister Yakabuski, which helps in the awareness of PEO as the regulator of professional engineering in the public interest.



## NEWS

# PEO ATTENDS OSPE 10TH ANNUAL LOBBY DAY AND MPP RECEPTION



OSPE hosted its 10th annual Lobby Day and MPP Reception at Queen's Park on April 9. **Greg Rickford**, MPP (PC—Kenora - Rainy River) Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines (left) was a guest speaker. OSPE President and Chair **Jonathan Hack**, P.Eng., (right) had a chance to speak with Minister Rickford and other attendees.



MPPs **Sheref Sabawy**, (PC—Mississauga - Erin Mills) (right) and **Nina Tangri**, (PC—Mississauga—Streetsville) (centre), also attended the OSPE reception at Queen's Park on April 9.

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Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) hosted its 10th annual Lobby Day and MPP Reception at Queen's Park on April 9.

The reception helped connect the Political Action Network representatives, task force and board members with MPPs and their staff.

The event was hosted by OSPE President and Chair **Jonathan Hack**, P.Eng., and OSPE CEO **Sandro Perruzza**. PEO Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., also attended. OSPE welcomed more than 35 MPPs from all political parties.

Guest speakers were:

- **Greg Rickford**, MPP (PC—Kenora - Rainy River), Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines
- **Peter Tabuns**, MPP (Toronto - Danforth), NDP Energy and Climate Change Critic

- **Nathalie Des Rosiers**, MPP (Ottawa - Vanier), Liberal Critic for the Attorney General, Municipal Affairs, Housing and the Environment
- Green Party Leader **Mike Schreiner**, MPP (Guelph)



**Peter Tabuns**, MPP (NDP—Toronto - Danforth), Energy Critic.



**Nathalie Des Rosiers**, MPP (LIB—Ottawa - Vanier), Attorney General



**Mike Schreiner**, MPP (Guelph), and Green Party Leader.

## EVENTS WITH MPPs

### THREE MPPs PARTICIPATE IN PEO SCARBOROUGH CHAPTER NATIONAL ENGINEERING MONTH



PEO Scarborough Chapter hosted its 16th Annual Bridge Building Competition National Engineering Month event on March 30. It was attended by local elected officials, including: (front row, left to right) Toronto Deputy Mayor, **Michael Thompson** (Scarborough Centre), **Vijay Thanigasalam**, MPP (PC—Scarborough - Rouge Park), Toronto City Councillor, **Jim Karygiannis** (Scarborough Agincourt) and **Mitzie Hunter**, MPP (LIB—Scarborough - Guildwood).

The PEO Scarborough Chapter hosted their 16th Annual Bridge Building Competition and Seismic Resistance Competition in honour of National Engineering Month on March 30.

The event was held at Scarborough Civic Centre and was attended by grade 3 to 6 students from Scarborough Community School.

Three MPPs and other elected officials attended. They were:

- **Raymond Cho**, MPP (PC—Scarborough North), Minister for Seniors and Accessibility
- **Vijay Thanigasalam**, MPP (PC—Scarborough - Rouge Park)
- **Mitzie Hunter**, MPP (LIB—Scarborough - Guildwood), Critic for Finance, Treasury Board, Government and Consumer Services, Tourism, Culture and Sport
- **Michael Thompson**, Toronto Deputy Mayor and City Councillor (Scarborough Centre)
- **Jim Karygiannis**, Toronto City Councillor (Scarborough - Agincourt)
- **Jennifer McKelvie**, Toronto City Councillor (Scarborough - Rouge Park)

PEO GLP representative **Samuel P. Jacob**, P.Eng., said, “The MPPs awarded certificates, interacted with students and networked with PEO GLP and chapter members.”

Other PEO representatives attending were Chapter Chair, **Victor Lin**, P.Eng., and Chapter Executive, **Rajendra Ghadvi**, P.Eng.



## EVENTS WITH MPPs

### PEO REPRESENTED AT EVENT WITH TWO MINISTERS AND ENGINEER MPP



**Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (PC—Stormont - Dundas - South Glengarry) (centre) attended a reception for the Minister for Children, Community and Social Services **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (PC—Nepean) on April 3. In the photo with MPP McDonell is **Steve Copeland** (right).

**Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (PC—Stormont - Dundas - South Glengarry), who is the only engineer in the legislature, was back in action on April 3. He had been recovering from hip surgery, and was at a reception hosted by the Minister for Children, Community and Social Services **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (PC—Nepean) at the Duke of York Pub.

MPP McDonell is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. He had met with PEO President **David Brown**, P.Eng., PEO Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., and PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., on November 23.

Also in attendance were Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, **John Yakabuski**, MPP (PC — Renfrew - Nipissing - Pembroke), former Minister **Frank Klees**, as well as PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.



Minister for Children, Community and Social Services **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (PC—Nepean).



Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, **John Yakabuski**, MPP (PC— Renfrew— Nipissing— Pembroke).

## EVENTS WITH MPPs

### PEO BRAMPTON CHAPTER ENGINEER PARTICIPATES IN EVENT WITH NDP LEADER AND MPPs



The NDP Sikh Heritage Month Reception was held at the Grand Empire Banquet and Convention Centre in Brampton on April 14. It was hosted by Opposition Leader **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (NDP—Hamilton Centre) (centre), and Brampton NDP MPPs, Deputy Leader and Attorney General Critic **Sara Singh**, (Brampton Centre) (second right), **Gurratan Singh**, (Brampton East) (right), and **Kevin Yarde**, (Brampton North) (left). Also in attendance was Federal NDP Leader **Jagmeet Singh**, MP (Burnaby South) (second left).

(BRAMPTON) - The PEO Brampton Chapter was invited to attend the NDP Sikh Heritage Month Reception at the Grand Empire Banquet and Convention Centre on April 14.

Brampton Chapter Treasurer **Ranjit Singh**, P.Eng., participated as the PEO representative.

Opposition Leader **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (NDP—Hamilton Centre) hosted the reception with Brampton NDP MPPs, including Deputy Leader and Attorney General Critic **Sara Singh**, (Brampton Centre), **Gurratan Singh**, (Brampton East) and **Kevin Yarde**, (Brampton North).

Federal NDP Leader **Jagmeet Singh**, MP (Burnaby South) was the guest speaker.

The PEO Brampton Chapter has worked closely with MPPs to promote the regulation of professional engineering in the public interest.



### PEO TO HOLD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN TORONTO ON MAY 4



The PEO 97th Annual General Meeting, Order of Honour Gala and Volunteer Leadership Day will be held at the Hilton Toronto Hotel on May 3 and 4.

PEO will hold its 97th Annual General Meeting (AGM) on May 4 at the Hilton Toronto Hotel. The Annual General Meeting will provide an opportunity for PEO President **David Brown**, P.Eng., on behalf of PEO Council, to update licence holders on the work done over the last year on regulatory issues.

Both the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) and Engineers Canada are being given the opportunity to do short presentations at the AGM.

The Order of Honour Gala and Volunteer and Leadership Conference will be held on May 3. The Gala will recognize the contributions of professional engineers and others who have rendered great service to the engineering profession in the public interest. The awardees are nominated by members, recommended by the Awards Committee and approved by PEO Council.

PEO President-Elect **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng., will be sworn in as President and a new Council will take office at the AGM.

## GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to Sudbury Chapter GLP Chair **Mehwish Obaid**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

**Question:** Which MPP has agreed to speak at the 2019 PEO Western Region GLP Academy in Chatham on May 11?

**Answer:** Rick Nicholls, MPP (PC — Chatham-Kent-Leamington)

**This week's question:** Which MPPs attended the Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter AGM and Licence Certificate Ceremony on March 31?

**Join the Contest:** Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly* with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to **Jeannette Chau** at [jchau@peo.on.ca](mailto:jchau@peo.on.ca) by Monday, April 29, alongside the new question. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**



**Mehwish Obaid**, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

## UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

**Tuesday April 30— Oshawa and Durham Provincial Liberal Associations jointly co-host the Interim Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, John Fraser**, MPP (LIB – Ottawa South) from 6:30 to 9 PM at the Sikorski Hall, 1551 Stevenson Road North, Oshawa, L1H 7K4. Tickets are \$150. Contact Ferd Longo at (416) 816-0443 or Kyle Fitzgerald at (905) 259-2991 for details.

**Wednesday, May 1— Toronto Region Board of Trade with Minister of Transportation Jeff Yurek**, MPP (PC—Elgin - Middlesex - London). It will be held at The Westin Harbour Castle, 1 Harbour Square, Toronto, ON, M5J 1A6, in the Frontenac Ballroom from 8 to 9 AM. Tickets for members are \$74 and \$94 for non-members. Link to purchase: <http://bit.ly/2GEyPr9>

**Sunday, May 5— PC Women In Politics – Candid Discussion with Hon. Rod Phillips**, MPP (PC – Ajax), Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and Oakville City Councillor **Dr. Natalia Lishchyna**, from 12:30 to 2:30 PM at Streetsville Legion, 101 Church Street, Mississauga, M5C 2G3. Tickets are priced at \$37. For registration visit: <http://bit.ly/2Zya2MU>

**Thursday, May 23— In Conversation with Todd Smith**, MPP (PC – Bay of Quinte), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade from 7:30 to 9:30 AM at Garden Convention Centre, 8 Clipper Court, Brampton, L6W 4T9. Individual tickets are priced at \$40. To register visit: <http://bit.ly/2UBjGz>

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