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TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. PEO OTTAWA CHAPTER GLP CHAIR MEETS LOCAL NDP MPP
2. PEO WEST TORONTO CHAPTER REPS ATTEND PC MPP SUMMER BBQ
3. QUEBEC ENGINEERS MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO THEIR ACT

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO OTTAWA CHAPTER GLP CHAIR MEETS LOCAL NDP MPP



PEO Ottawa Chapter GLP Chair **Ishwar Bhatia**, P.Eng. (right) met and spoke with **Joel Harden**, MPP (NDP—Ottawa Centre), Critic for Accessibility and Persons with Disabilities; Pensions; Seniors' Affairs (left) at an event on August 16 at The Good Companions Seniors Centre in Ottawa.

(OTTAWA) — PEO Ottawa Chapter GLP Chair and former PEO Councillor **Ishwar Bhatia**, P.Eng., met and spoke with **Joel Harden**, MPP (NDP—Ottawa Centre) at an event on August 16 in Ottawa.

The event, which was a Seniors' Town Hall, was held at The Good Companions Seniors Centre.

MPP Harden, who was first elected in June 2018, is the NDP Critic for Accessibility and Persons with Disabilities; Pensions and Seniors' Affairs.

Prior to his election, MPP Harden was a researcher for both the Canadian Federation of Students and the Canadian Labour Congress. He also taught at universities across the province, including Carleton, Brock, Nipissing, and McMaster.

Mr. Bhatia had a chance to speak with MPP Harden and also made a presentation to the audience about how professional engineers are trained to ensure competence and work for the public interest.

MPP Harden thanked Mr. Bhatia for his participation in the event and sent his regards to the PEO Ottawa Chapter.

MPP Harden is set to speak at the 2019 PEO Student Conference, which will be held at Carleton University in his riding of Ottawa Centre on September 14.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO WEST TORONTO CHAPTER REPS ATTEND PC MPP SUMMER BBQ



Robin Martin, MPP (PC—Eglinton—Lawrence) (above centre-right and below right), held her summer barbeque on August 21 at the Columbus Centre in Toronto. Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (PC — Etobicoke North) (above centre), attended as did PEO West Toronto Chapter representatives **Hanane Zaidi**, P.Eng. (below left), and **Jean-Paul Stephan**, P.Eng. (below centre). PHOTO CREDIT: @fordnation

Two PEO West Toronto Chapter representatives participated in an event with **Robin Martin**, MPP (PC—Eglinton—Lawrence), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health on August 21 at the Columbus Centre in Toronto.

Hanane Zaidi, P.Eng., and **Jean-Paul Stephan**, P.Eng. had a chance to introduce themselves to MPP Martin about PEO and the West Toronto Chapter.

Also in attendance was PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**, a constituent of MPP Martin.

MPP Martin first ran as the Progressive Conservative candidate for Eglinton—Lawrence in 2014, before winning the seat in June 2018.

Mr. Brown suggested to both MPP Martin and her assistant **Gideon Belete** that MPP Martin participate in an upcoming West Toronto Chapter licence presentation ceremony.



PHOTO CREDIT: Gideon Belete

QUEBEC ENGINEERS MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO THEIR ACT



(QUEBEC)— The Quebec National Assembly has introduced an Act aimed at modernizing aspects of the legislation governing engineering in Quebec.

Bill 29, which was introduced in June, “amend[s] the Professional Code and other provisions in the oral health and the applied sciences sectors.”

On August 27, the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec (OIQ) drew attention to members of the National Assembly to aspects of the bill that they felt needed improvements and clarification.

The OIQ has made two recommendations:

- Make engineering work supervision mandatory, “which is said to improve the quality of engineering work.”
Quebec is the only province that does not require engineering work supervision.
- Authorize OIQ to issue permanent restrictive permits to facilitate entry of candidates into the job market.

“We thank the government and the Minister of Justice for giving this matter priority,” said OIQ President **Kathy Baig**, ing. “We salute the major advances in modernizing a law that essentially dates back to 1964.”

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PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter GLP Chair **John Penaranda**, P.Eng. met and spoke with **Stan Cho**, MPP (PC—Willowdale) at a community BBQ on August 25 at Mitchell Field Park in Toronto.

MPP Cho, who was first elected in 2018, is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance **Rod Phillips**, MPP (PC—Ajax).

Mr. Penaranda also had a chance to meet with Minister Phillips, Treasury Board President **Peter Bethlenfalvy**, MPP (PC—Pickering—Uxbridge), and Vincent Ke, MPP (PC — Don Valley North), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport.

MPP Cho has attended various Willowdale Chapter events, most recently participating in a meet-and-greet event on June 27 in Willowdale. MPP Cho thanked Mr. Penaranda and the Willowdale Chapter for their participation in his event.

Attendance at these events help raise the awareness and understanding of professional engineers and PEO, as well as develop valuable relationships with MPPs.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

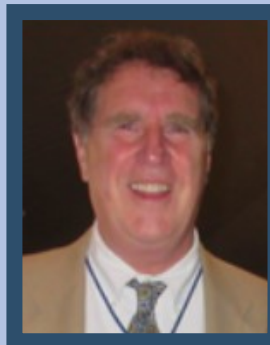
CONGRATULATIONS to **John Twohig**, P.Eng. for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: Which MPP hosted a community BBQ on August 1 at Springbank Park in London, attended by the PEO London Chapter?

Answer: **Peggy Sattler**, MPP (NDP—London West), Economic Development Critic

This week's question: Which former Vice President and Councillor of PEO met Premier Doug Ford at an event in Eastern Ontario on August 17?

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 by Monday, September 9. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**



John Twohig, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Friday, September 6 - Mississauga Board of Trade Breakfast with Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, MPP (Brampton South), Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction from 7:30 AM to 9:30 AM at the Hilton Garden Inn, 100 Traders Blvd, Ontario Room, Mississauga, L4Z 2H7. Register at: <http://web.mbot.com/events/Breakfast-with-Associate-Minister-of-Small-Business-and-Red-Tape-Reduction-725/details>

Sunday, September 8 – BBQ with Roman Baber, MPP (PC – York Centre) from 12 to 3 PM at Downsview Park (Keele and Downsview Park Blvd. Entrance), 70 Canuck Avenue, Toronto, M3K 2C5. Attendance is free. For more information call: 416-630-0080

Tuesday, September 10 – Breakfast with Faisal Hassan, MPP (NDP – York South–Weston), Youth Engagement Critic from 8 to 9 AM at 5 Bartonville Avenue East, Toronto, M6M 2B1. Attendance is free. To register visit: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/urbanarts-community-arts-council/events/breakfast-with-the-minister-of-immigration-in-support-of-urbanarts/>

Saturday, September 14 – Meet Liberal Provincial Candidates for Party Leader from 2 PM to 5 PM at Robert Simpson Park, 400 John Street North, Arnprior, K7S 2P6. Tickets are \$30. To purchase visit: <https://ontarioliberal.ca/events/meet-our-liberal-provincial-candidates-for-party-leader/>

Saturday, September 14 – BBQ with Natalia Kusendova, MPP (Mississauga Centre), from 11 AM to 1:30 PM at Mississauga Valley, Site B, 1275 Mississauga Valley Blvd., Mississauga, L5A 3R8. To register visit : <http://bit.ly/2ZnlXAD>

Saturday, September 21 – Summer End Party with Kaleed Rasheed, MPP (PC – Mississauga East–Cooksville) from 11 AM to 3 PM at Mississauga Valley Community Centre, 1275 Mississauga Valley Boulevard, Mississauga, L5A 3R8. Attendance is free. For more information visit: <http://bit.ly/30JgyjS>

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