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# PEO KINGSWAY CHAPTER HOSTS PC MPP FOR 'TAKE YOUR MPP TO WORK DAY'



**Christine Hogarth,** MPP (Etobicoke—Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General (centre), participated in a PEO Kingsway Chapter 'Take Your MPP to Work Day' on September 26. From left to right are: Chapter GLP Chair **Steve Favell**, P.Eng., Cana-Datum's VP of Finance **Colleen Musalem**, General Manager **Ignacio Musalem**, Chapter's Vice Chair and OSPE Political Action Network representative **Gil Galang**, P.Eng., Assistant Treasurer **Reza Ghiaasiaan**, P.Eng., and Cana-Datum Advanced Engineering Manager **Kwong Pui Chan**, P.Eng. For more on this story see page 5.

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## **TOP STORIES THIS WEEK**

- 1. PC MPP ATTENDS PEO BRANTFORD CHAPTER ANNUAL DINNER
- 2. PEO COUNCIL REVIEWS REGULATORY PERFORMANCE ACTION PLAN
- 3. PEO GLP CHAIRS HOLD QUARTERLY CONFERENCE CALL
- 4. TWO MPPs ATTEND PEO OAKVILLE CHAPTER LICENCE CEREMONY

## **EVENTS WITH MPPs**

## **PEO SCARBOROUGH CHAPTER ATTENDS PC COMMUNITY EVENT**



PEO Scarborough Chapter GLP Chair and former PEO Councillor **Santosh Gupta**, P.Eng. (left) met with **Christina Mitas**, MPP (PC—Scarborough Centre) (centre), at a community event on September 29 in Scarborough. Also in the photo is Mr. Gupta's spouse, **Malti Gupta**.

PEO Scarborough Chapter GLP Chair and former PEO Councillor **Santosh Gupta**, P.Eng., attended a community BBQ hosted by **Christina Mitas**, MPP (PC—Scarborough Centre) at Thompson Park on September 29.

Mr. Gupta had a chance to speak with MPP Mitas about PEO membership and its regulatory function, and extended an invitation to the Chapter Mathletics Competition for Junior and Senior school children.

#### **EVENTS WITH MPPS**

## PC MPP ATTENDS PEO BRANTFORD CHAPTER ANNUAL DINNER



PEO Brantford Chapter GLP Chair Vicki Hilborn, P.Eng. (left), and Nadwa Ebadri, EIT (second to left), spoke to Toby Barrett, MPP (PC—Haldimand—Norfolk), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs (second to right), at the Chapter's Annual Dinner on September 29. Manager of PEO Government Liaison Programs Jeannette Chau, P.Eng. (right), was also in attendance.

(BRANTFORD) - Members of the PEO Brantford Chapter spoke with **Toby Barrett**, MPP (PC— Haldimand—Norfolk), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs, at the Chapter's Annual Dinner at Port Dover on September 29.

Chapter GLP Chair Vicki Hilborn, P.Eng., and Nadwa Ebadri, EIT, had the chance to speak with MPP Barrett.

MPP Barrett welcomed the guests and spoke on his experience and relationship with the engineers in his riding, since he was first elected in 1995.

Manager of PEO Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., was a guest speaker and spoke on the PEO GLP, how to get policy into legislation, and the PEO 30 by 30 initiative, to raise the percentage of newly licensed engineers who are women to 30% by the year 2030.

#### **EVENTS WITH MPPS**

# PEO COUNCIL REVIEWS REGULATORY PERFORMANCE ACTION PLAN



PEO Council held its 529th meeting on September 19 at PEO Headquarters.

PEO Council held its 529th meeting, chaired by PEO President **Nancy Hill,** P.Eng., on September 19 at PEO Headquarters.

The Council discussed the Cayton External Regulatory Review Action Plan, the volunteer code of conduct, by-law fee changes, the Committee work plans and 2019 AGM member submissions.

The Council approved a motion to reconsider PEO's EIT fee remission policy at the November Council meeting

The Council also directed the Registrar to draft a report and recommendations for Council's decision regarding "a need to modernize the Industrial Exception, narrow its scope, and with specific reference to its application to the nuclear industry."

Guest speakers at the Thursday night plenary included:

- PEO Discipline Committee Chair John Vieth, P.Eng.
- PEO CEO/Registrar Johnny Zuccon, P.Eng.
- Governance Consultant Deborah Brown

The draft of the 2020 budget was also reviewed.

#### **EVENTS WITH MPPS**

# PEO KINGSWAY CHAPTER HOSTS PC MPP FOR 'TAKE YOUR MPP TO WORK DAY'



**Christine Hogarth,** MPP (Etobicoke—Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General (centre), was the guest of honour at the PEO Kingsway Chapter 'Take Your MPP to Work Day' on September 26. From left to right in the photo are: Chapter Assistant Treasurer **Reza Ghiaasiaan,** P.Eng., Cana-Datum's Advanced Engineering Manager **Kwong Pui Chan,** P.Eng., General Manager **Ignacio Musalem,** Chapter GLP Chair **Steve Favell,** P.Eng., Cana-Datum VP of Finance **Colleen Musalem**, and Chapter Vice Chair and OSPE Political Action Network representative **Gil Galang,** P.Eng.

PEO Kingsway Chapter hosted a 'Take Your MPP to Work Day' with Christine Hogarth, MPP (PC-

Etobicoke—Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General, on September 26.

It was held in Etobicoke at Cana-Datum, a tool and dye manufacturing company providing car parts to manufacturers since 1986.

The Chapter representatives included:

- GLP Chair Steve Favell, P.Eng.
- Vice Chair and OSPE Political Action Network representative **Gil Galang**, P.Eng.
- Assistant Treasurer **Reza Ghiaasiaan**, P.Eng.



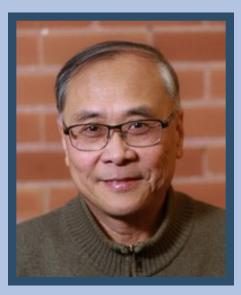
**Ignacio Musalem**, General Manager of Cana-Datum, provided an overview of precision tools and dies operations for the non-ferrous metal casting industry.

The company's VP of Finance **Colleen Musalem** and Advanced Engineering Manager **Kwong Pui Chan**, P.Eng., both accompanied the guests through a physical tour of the plant.

PEO Government Consultant Howard Brown also participated.

#### **EVENTS WITH MPPs**

## **PEO GLP CHAIRS HOLD QUARTERLY CONFERENCE CALL**





PEO Grand River Chapter Chair **Gabriel Tse**, P.Eng. (left), and PEO Councillor and Government Liaison Committee Vice-Chair **Arjan Arenja**, P.Eng. (right), chaired a quarterly conference call on September 25.

PEO Chapter Government Liaison Program Chairs participated in the quarterly GLP Chair conference call on September 25.

The call was chaired by PEO Grand River Chapter Chair **Gabriel Tse**, P.Eng., and PEO Councillor and Government Liaison Committee (GLC) Vice-Chair **Arjan Arenja**, P.Eng.

Also participating were:

- PEO West Central Regional Councillor and GLC Chair Warren Turnbull, P.Eng.
- PEO Councillor Lorne Cuttler, P.Eng.
- Manager, Government Liaison Programs Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.

The topics of discussion included:

- GLP Activity Reports
- 2019 Queen's Park meeting
- Take Your MPP to Work Days
- Federal Election
- Upcoming GLP Academies
- The use of the engineering title
- External Regulatory Review recommendations

## **EVENTS WITH MPPs**

# TWO MPPS ATTEND PEO OAKVILLE CHAPTER LICENCE CEREMONY



PC MPPs **Effie Triantafilopoulos** (Oakville North-Burlington) (centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Long-Term Care, and **Stephen Crawford** (Oakville), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Infrastructure (third from left), attended the PEO Oakville Chapter's Licence Ceremony on September 19. Also in the photo are Chapter Chair **Parisa Mahdian**, P.Eng. (third from right), GLP member **Mazen AbuOmar**, P.Eng. (right), GLP Chair **Sohail Naseer**, P.Eng. (second from left) and GLP Co-coordinator **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng. (left).

(OAKVILLE) - Two PC MPPs attended the Oakville Chapter Licence Presentation Ceremony on September 19.

They were **Effie Triantafilopoulos**, MPP (Oakville North-Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Long-Term Care, and **Stephen Crawford**, MPP (Oakville), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Infrastructure.

Both are regular participants in Oakville Chapter activities.



#### **NEWS**

# PC AND NDP MPPs TO SPEAK AT PEO GLP ACADEMY AND CONGRESS TOMORROW



Sheref Sabawy, MPP (PC—Mississauga—Erin Mills) (centre), Official Opposition Deputy Leader and Housing Critic Sara Singh, MPP (NDP—Brampton Centre) (right), and Gurratan Singh, MPP (NDP—Brampton East), Attorney General Critic (left), will be guest speakers at the PEO East and West Central GLP Academy and Congress tomorrow.

Three MPPs have agreed to speak at the 2019 East Central and West Central PEO GLP Academy and Congress taking place at PEO Headquarters tomorrow.

Official Opposition Deputy Leader and NDP Housing Critic **Sara Singh**, MPP (Brampton Centre), NDP Attorney General Critic **Gurratan Singh**, MPP (Brampton East), and PC MPP **Sheref Sabawy** (Mississauga—Erin Mills), have confirmed their attendance.

The MPPs will discuss how professional engineers can build better relationships with both government and opposition MPPs.

The participants will include GLP Chairs and representatives from the 13 Chapters in the East Central and West Central regions.

Earlier this year, then Finance Minister **Vic Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing), now Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, was guest speaker at the PEO Northern Region GLP Academy and Congress in North Bay. Also speaking that day was NDP Deputy Leader **John Vanthof**, MPP (Timiskaming—Cochrane).

In May, Deputy Speaker Rick Nicholls, MPP (PC-



The PEO East Central and West Central GLP Academy and Congress will be held at PEO Headquarters in Toronto on October 5.

Chatham-Kent—Leamington), was the guest speaker for the Western Region GLP Academy and Congress in Chatham.

## **GLP TRIVIA CONTEST**

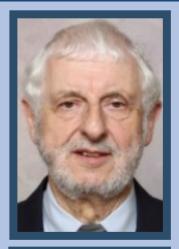
CONGRATULATIONS to PEO London Chapters **Roger Jones**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

**Question:** Which MPP spoke at the PEO Student Conference in Ottawa on September 14?

**Answer:** Accessibility and Persons with Disabilities NDP Critic **Joel Harden**, MPP (Ottawa Centre).

This week's question: Which MPPs have confirmed their attendance at the PEO GLP Academy and Congress on October 5?

Join the Contest: Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly* with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to Jeannette Chau at <a href="mailto:jchau@peo.on.ca">jchau@peo.on.ca</a> by Monday, October 11. You may only win once in a four-week span.



Roger Jones, P.Eng., is the winner of last week's GLP Trivia contest.

## **UPCOMING MPP EVENTS**

Saturday, October 5 – 2nd Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon with Deepak Anand, MPP (PC—Mississauga— Malton), from 1 PM to 4 PM at Ascension of Our Lord Secondary School, 7640 Anaka Drive, Mississauga, L4T 3H7. Attendance is free. For more information visit: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> events/484182945767722/

**Thursday, October 10 - The Canadian Club Toronto Presents Hon. Rod Phillips**, MPP (PC—Ajax), Minister of Finance, from 11:45 AM to 1:30 PM at the Hilton Toronto, 145 Richmond Street West. Tickets cost \$100. For more information visit: <u>https://www.canadianclub.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?id=3486#purchase</u>

**Tuesday, October 15 - Toronto Board of Trade Presents Opening Ontario to Infrastructure Innovation with Laurie Scott**, MPP (Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock), Minister of Infrastructure, from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Arcadian Court Loft, 401 Bay Street 8th Floor. Tickets cost \$84 for members, and \$104 for non-members. For more information visit: <u>https://www.bot.com/Portals/0/MinScott\_Oct10\_Flyer\_2.pdf</u>

Wednesday, October 23 - Mississauga Board of Trade Presents Breakfast with Laurie Scott, MPP (Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock), Minister of Infrastructure, from 7:30 AM to 9:30 AM at BraeBen Golf Course, 5700 Terry Fox Way, Mississauga, L5V 2W2. Tickets cost \$50 for members, and \$65 for nonmembers. For more information visit: <u>http://web.mbot.com/events/Breakfast-with-Honourable-Laurie-Scott-Minister-of-Infrastructure-733/details?fbclid=IwAR0HnMVy2F6c1dTZz\_ExDACbkDUg25hHE4bubTjOlcnQQm89EyqyF77Wk4</u>

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