



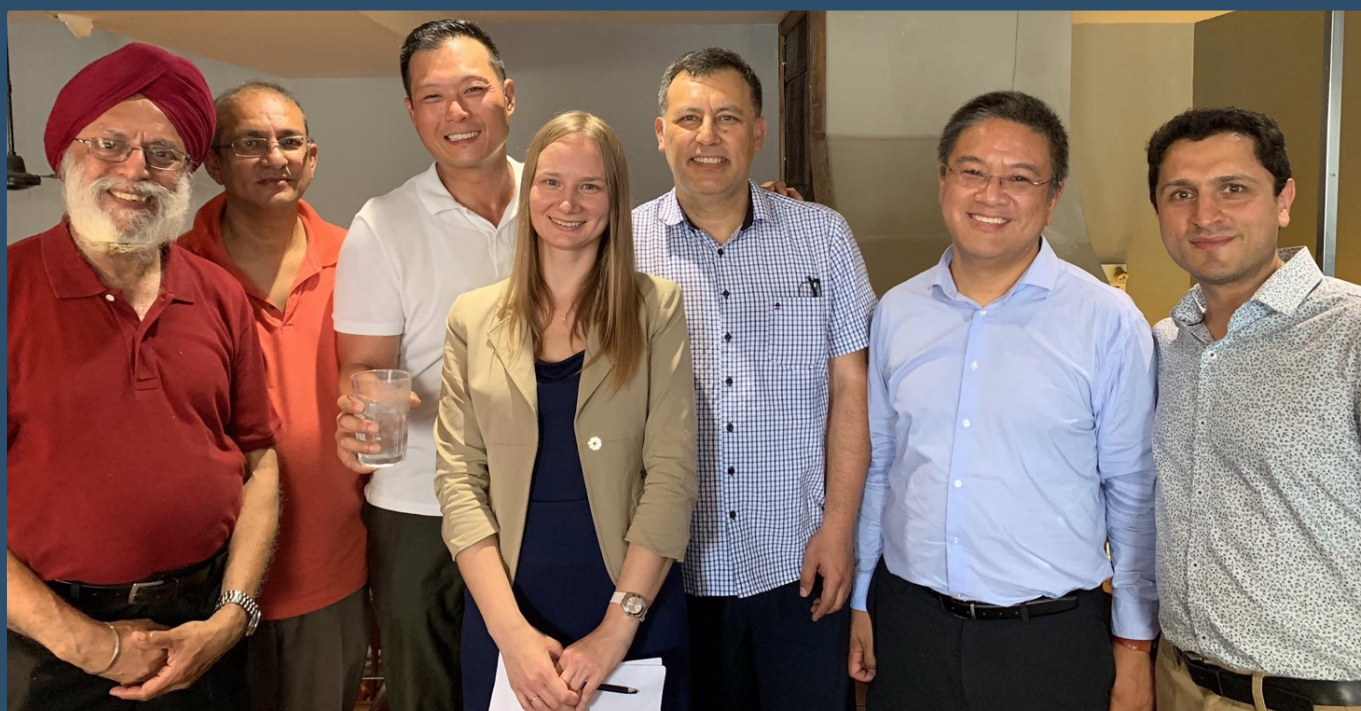
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PEO WILLOWDALE-THORNHILL CHAPTER MEETS LOCAL MPP

Stan Cho, MPP (PC—Willowdale), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance (third from left) spent 90 minutes meeting with over 50 members of the PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter on June 27 in Willowdale. With MPP Cho in the photo above are (left to right) Chapter Awards Chair **Mohinder Grover**, P.Eng., **Debasis Dey**, P.Eng., **Kate Shilina**, EIT, Chapter GLP Chair **John Penaranda**, P.Eng., Chapter Chair **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng., and Electronic Media Chair **Amin Mali**, P.Eng.

MPP Cho was appointed to his position as Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance last month by the Premier after serving as Parliamentary Assistant to President of the Treasury Board since 2018. For more on this story see page 5.

PHOTO CREDIT: MPP Stan Cho's Twitter

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TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. PEO PRESIDENT MEETS HOST OF TVO'S 'THE AGENDA'
2. SCARBOROUGH MPP SPEAKS AT PEO CHAPTER LICENSING CEREMONY
3. ENGINEER WINS NDP NOMINATION IN LONDON NORTH CENTRE
4. LEGISLATURE RECOGNIZES FEMALE MPPs

EVENTS ATTENDED

PEO PRESIDENT MEETS HOST OF TVO'S 'THE AGENDA'



PEO President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng. (third from left) attended TVO's Annual Garden Party on June 25 at the home of TVO Gala Chair and Board Member **Kristin Morch**. Ms. Hill had a chance to meet and speak with many of the dignitaries including the host of TVO's *The Agenda* **Steve Paikin** (second from right). Also in the photo are (left to right) Professional Engineers Government of Ontario (PEGO) President **Ben Hendry**, P.Eng., PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., social columnist **Michelle Levy**, and former TVO Vice-Chair **Trina MacQueen**.

PEO President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng. attended TVO's Annual Garden Party on June 25 at the home of TVO Gala Chair and Board Member **Kristin Morch**.

Ms. Hill had a chance to meet and speak with TVO President and CEO **Lisa de Wilde**, the host of TVO's *The Agenda* **Steve Paikin**, and past TVO Chairs **Trina McQueen** and **Peter O'Brien**.

Mr. Paikin has had several PEO presidents on his show in the past. He was also the 2014 recipient of PEO's President's Award, for non-engineers who have demonstrated extraordinary support or promoted public awareness of the engineering profession.

He spoke at the 2014 Annual Meeting, the 2005 Ontario Professional Awards Gala, and many other events.

Also participating in the event were PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., Professional Engineers Government of Ontario (PEGO) President **Ben Hendry**, and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

SCARBOROUGH MPP SPEAKS AT PEO CHAPTER LICENSING CEREMONY



PEO Scarborough Chapter held a licence certificate presentation ceremony on June 8 at The Brighton Convention and Event Centre in Toronto.

In the photo above are 36 out of the 40 newly minted engineers who received their licence certificates at the ceremony.

Aris Babikian, MPP (PC—Scarborough—Agincourt) (top photo right) spoke at a PEO Scarborough Chapter Licence certificate presentation ceremony on June 8.

MPP Babikian brought greetings on behalf of the government.

The keynote speaker was PEO President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng. (bottom photo right).

Also attending the event were PEO East Central Region Councillors **Keivan Torabi**, P.Eng., and **Arthur Sinclair**, P.Eng.

Ms. Sterling spoke about PEO's role as a regulator and the impact of engineering regulation on future technologies, social media, privacy, and artificial intelligence to name a few.

The event, which was held at The Brighton Convention and Event Centre, saw 40 new PEO licence holders receive their engineering licences.

MPP Babikian, who is the first MPP of Armenian descent to be elected to the Ontario legislature, has attended other Scarborough Chapter events. He is also a former citizenship judge, serving from 2009 to 2015.



CANDIDATE NEWS

ENGINEER WINS NDP NOMINATION IN LONDON NORTH CENTRE

(LONDON) — London engineer **Dirka Prout**, P.Eng. (right) has been nominated as the federal NDP candidate in London North Centre.

Ms. Prout is a Senior Geotechnical Engineer for *Wood*, a multinational energy services company based in the United Kingdom, as well as a community activist.

She received her B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering from the University of Toronto and M.S. in Civil Engineering from the Missouri University of Science and Technology.

Ms. Prout is the step-mother of PEO Lieutenant Governor-in-Council Appointed (LGA) Councillor **Qadira Jackson**, LLB.

If you, or an engineer you know, is running in the federal election as a candidate in an Ontario riding, and would like to be featured in an issue of *GLP Weekly*, please reach out to PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager **Jeannette Chau** at jchau@peo.on.ca.



NEWS

LEGISLATURE RECOGNIZES FEMALE MPPs



The 49 female MPPs of the 42nd Parliament of Ontario on June 5 at Queen's Park.

Before the Ontario legislature was adjourned, all female MPPs posed for a photo which was published in *Queen's Park Daily*.

The 42nd Parliament of Ontario, which was elected in June 2018, holds the highest number of female MPPs in the province's history.

Of the 124 MPPs sitting in the legislature, 49 of them are women.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO WILLOWDALE-THORNHILL CHAPTER MEETS LOCAL MPP



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With him (left to right) are PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter Awards Chair **Mohinder Grover**, P.Eng., **Kate Shilina**, EIT, and Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter GLP Chair **John Penaranda**, P.Eng.

PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter held a meet-and-greet with **Stan Cho**, MPP (PC—Willowdale) on June 27 in Willowdale.

Over 50 engineers attended the 90-minute event, in which Mr. Cho had a chance to meet and speak with Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter members.

The event was hosted by Chapter GLP Chair **John Penaranda**, P.Eng.

Mr. Cho was appointed as the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance on June 26. He is one of two MPPs of Korean descent sitting in the legislature, the other being **Raymond Cho**, MPP (PC—Scarborough North), Minister for Seniors and Accessibility.

MPP Cho shared some kind words about the event, [tweeting](#) “this evening I met with members of the #Willowdale Chapter of @PEO_HQ! Great discussions about the future of #Ontario and even greater company!”

Also attending was PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

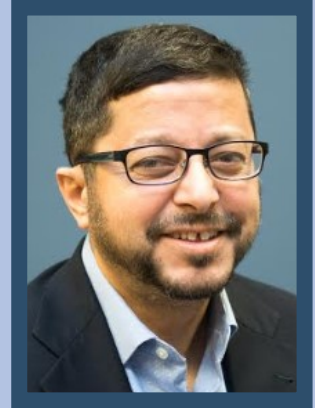
CONGRATULATIONS to Oakville Chapter GLP Coordinator **Mazen AbuOmar**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: Which MPP was appointed as Ontario's new Attorney General on June 20?

Answer: Doug Downey, MPP (PC—Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte), Attorney General

This week's question: Which MPP attended the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) 17th Annual Claudette MacKay-Lassonde Forum on June 18 in Kitchener?

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, July 15. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**



Mazen AbuOmar, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Saturday, July 13 – Beaches–East York Provincial Liberal Association Summer BBQ from 3 to 5 PM at 86 MacLean Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M4E 3A2. Tickets are \$50. To purchase visit: <https://ontarioliberal.ca/event-registration/?ZXZlbnRJRd0xODk2JnBsYT0mbGFiZWw9UmVndWxhciZwcmljZT01MA==>

Tuesday, July 16 – Women's Business Connections presents Networking Breakfast with Marie-France Lalonde, MPP (LIB – Orléans) from 7:15 to 9 AM at Distinctive Bathrooms and Kitchens, 2035 Lanthier Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, K4A 3V3. Tickets are \$22 online and \$25 at the door. To purchase visit: <https://bookwhen.com/wbcorleans#focus=ev-s5wl-20190716073000>

NEW! Thursday, July 18— One-year Anniversary Social with Sara Singh, MPP (NDP—Brampton Centre), Deputy Leader and Attorney General Critic from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at the home of Suzanne Nurse at 34 Kirkpatrick Street, Brampton, Ontario, L6Z 4K2. Attendance is free, but donations are encouraged. To RSVP contact: lauracasselman@gmail.com or 416-906-7689

Wednesday, July 24 – Summer BBQ with Christine Hogarth, MPP (PC – Etobicoke–Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at 195 Norseman Street, Toronto, Ontario, M8Z 6A4. Attendance is free. To RSVP visit: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/mpp-christine-hogarths-summer-barbecue-tickets-64233749875#tickets>

NEW! Thursday, August 1 – Summer BBQ with Peggy Sattler, MPP (NDP – London West), Economic Development Critic from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Springbank Park – Picnic Site K, 1177 Commissioners Road West, London, ON N6K 1C6. Attendance is free. To register visit: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/summer-bbq-tickets-64172237891>

NEW! Sunday, August 25 – Community BBQ with Stan Cho, MPP (PC – Willowdale), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance from 12 to 3 PM at Mitchell Field Park, 89 Church Ave, Toronto, Ontario, M2N 6C9. Attendance is free. To RSVP visit: <https://www.stanchompp.ca/mpp-stan-cho-s-community-bbq-2019>

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