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TWO ENGINEERS AND FIVE MPPs ATTEND EVENT WITH ENVIRONMENT MINISTER IN MISSISSAUGA

(MISSISSAUGA) - PEO Mississauga Chapter participated in a local event with five MPPs including **Deepak Anand** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Malton) on March 5. PEO Mississauga Chapter Chair **Karanjeet Singh** (right), P.Eng., and Licence Presentation Committee Chair **Renan Orquiza** (left), P.Eng., attended. For more on this story, see page 6.

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TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. NDP MPP PARTICIPATES IN BRAMPTON CHAPTER EVENT
2. FORMER PREMIERS PARTICIPATE IN PANEL DISCUSSION
3. PEO CHATHAM CHAPTER TO HOST WESTERN REGION PEO GLP ACADEMY IN MAY

EVENTS WITH MPPs

NDP MPP PARTICIPATES IN BRAMPTON CHAPTER EVENT



PEO Brampton Chapter Chair and GLP Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng., and NDP Deputy Leader and Attorney General Critic **Sara Singh** MPP (Brampton Centre) (both in back row) with winners of the National Engineering Month Popsicle Stick Bridge Building Challenge held at Bramalea Secondary School.

(BRAMPTON) - PEO Brampton Chapter held their National Engineering Month Popsicle Stick Bridge Building Challenge at Bramalea Secondary School on March 2. Participating were NDP Deputy Leader and Attorney General Critic **Sara Singh** MPP (Brampton Centre) and PEO Brampton Chapter Chair and GLP Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng.

MPP Singh has been a regular participant both in the Brampton Chapter and the Queen's Park activities, since her election in 2018.

Seventy-three teams of grade 4 to 8 students from all over Brampton and the surrounding area came together on a Saturday to present their bridge designs to volunteer panels of professional engineers and test their bridge's strength on the bridge buster.

MPP Singh handed out Certificates of Merit and medals for the best presentations, strongest bridge (strength to weight ratio) and for the most 'Adventurous Design.'

Mr. Panesar told GLP Weekly, "Parents, teachers, students and our volunteers enjoyed the day and gave great feedback and said they are looking forward to next year's event."

EVENTS WITH MPPs

FORMER PREMIERS PARTICIPATE IN PANEL DISCUSSION

Former Premier **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (LIB—Don Valley West) hosted a panel discussion about life and politics, with former Premier Bob Rae, at the Japanese - Canadian Cultural Centre in Toronto on March 6. The moderator for the event was 2018 Liberal candidate from Toronto-Danforth, **Li Koo**.



Former Premiers **Kathleen Wynne** MPP (LIB—Don Valley West) and **Bob Rae** with 2018 Liberal candidates **Kate Graham** (right to left) during a discussion held at the Japanese - Canadian Centre on March 6.

Mr. Rae served as Ontario's Premier from 1990-1995. They discussed a number of issues currently being debated in the legislature. They were interviewed by CFRB radio host John Moore and 2018 London-North Centre provincial Liberal candidate, **Kate Graham**.

Mr. Brown also had a chance afterwards to introduce MPP Wynne to the PEO website and its library of GLP Weekly editions. She was pleased to hear that the work of her government has been featured in dozens of GLP Weekly issues. It also showed her the value of PEO's work as the regulating body of professional engineering in Ontario.

Here is a link to the full meeting: <https://www.facebook.com/DonValleyWest/>

PEO CHATHAM CHAPTER TO HOST WESTERN REGION GLP ACADEMY IN MAY



PEO Western Region GLP Academy will be held in Chatham in May.

(CHATHAM) - The 2019 PEO Western Region GLP Academy will be held in the historic downtown district of Chatham on May 11. The meeting will take place at the Retro Suites Hotel.

Local MPPs, such as Transportation Minister **Jeff Yurek** (PC — Elgin - Middlesex - London), **Rick Nicholls** (PC — Chatham-Kent-Leamington) and International Trade Critic **Taras Natyshak** (NDP — Essex) will be invited to attend and speak. Updates will be given on current issues at Queen’s Park and a review of MPP and Minister responsibilities will be conducted.

Each Western Region Chapter will be asked to send their GLP representatives for a full day of government relations training.

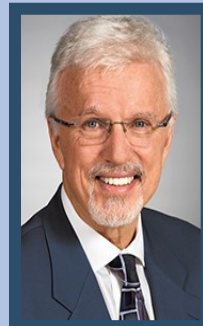
PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs, **Jeannette Chau** P.Eng., and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**, will both present during the day.

This is the first time Chatham will be hosting the Western Region GLP Academy.

Previous Western Region GLP meetings have been held in Cambridge, London, Hamilton, Collingwood and Goderich.



Minister of Transportation
Jeff Yurek (PC—Elgin - Middlesex - London)



Deputy Speaker
Rick Nicholls (PC—Chatham - Kent - Leamington)



International Trade Critic
Taras Natyshak (NDP—Essex)

EVENTS WITH MPPs

TWO ENGINEERS AND FIVE MPPs ATTEND AN EVENT WITH MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT IN MISSISSAUGA

(MISSISSAUGA) - Two members of the PEO Mississauga Chapter participated in an event with **Rod Phillips** MPP (PC – Ajax), the Minister of the Environment, Parks and Conservation on March 5. They were Chapter Chair **Karanjeet Singh**, P.Eng, and GLP representative **Renan Orquiza**, P.Eng.



PEO Mississauga Chapter GLP chair **Karanjeet Singh**, P.Eng., (centre) and GLP representative **Renan Orquiza**, P.Eng., (fourth from right) participated in an event with the Minister of Environment, Parks and Conservation. A number of MPPs were in attendance including, **Sherif Sabawy** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Erin Mills) (first from right), **Deepak Anand** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Malton) (second from right), **Nina Tangri** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Streetsville) (third from right), and **Rudy Cuzzetto** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Lakeshore) (second from left). Mississauga City Councillor **Karen Ras** (third from left) and a Senior Project Manager for City of Mississauga **Geoff Bayne** (first from left) were also present.

Minister Phillips gave a presentation on the regulatory changes that will be introduced in the coming days from his ministry.

Also in attendance at the event were PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**, who had a chance to introduce Mr. Singh and Mr. Orquiza to Minister Phillips and the other five MPPs also in attendance: **Rudy Cuzzetto** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Lakeshore), **Nina Tangri** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Streetsville), **Sherif Sabawy** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Erin Mills), **Deepak Anand** MPP (PC—Mississauga - Malton) and **Kaleed Rasheed** MPP (PC—Mississauga East - Cooksville).

Here is the link to his Ministry: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/ministry-environment-conservation-parks>



Minister of the Environment, Parks and Conservation, **Rod Phillips** MPP (PC – Ajax), addressed the attendees of the event.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

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

Question: Which city is going to host PEO GLP Western Region Academy in May?

Answer: Chatham

This week's question: Who is the incumbent President of PEO?

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, March 18, alongside the new question. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**



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

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Wednesday, March 20— Empire Club of Canada will host a **Toronto Moving Forward Lunch** with Toronto Mayor and former Ontario PC leader, John Tory at 12 noon at Arcadian Court, 401 Bay Street (8th floor), Toronto, M5H 2Y4. Individual tickets are priced at \$95 for members. Link to register: <https://bit.ly/2XrTnJU>

NEW! Friday, March 22 to 24—11th Annual Manning Networking Conference with a solid agenda of panel topics and line up of speakers including Leader of the Opposition **Andrew Scheer** MP (PC — Regina - Qu'Appelle) and **Premier Doug Ford** MPP (PC — Etobicoke North) will be held in Westin Hotel, Ottawa. Individual tickets are priced at \$399 and a limited number available before they are sold out. Link to purchase: <https://bit.ly/2UCFmXI>

Monday, March 25—Etobicoke-Lakeshore PC Association Reception for **Christine Hogarth** MPP (PC — Etobicoke - Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, with former Federal Minister **Peter MacKay**, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care **Christine Elliott** MPP (PC—Newmarket), **Robin Martin** MPP (PC — Eglinton-Lawrence), and **Doug Downey** MPP (PC — Barrie - Springwater - Oro-Medonte) Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance. The event will start at 6 PM at the Albany Club, 91 King Street East, Toronto, M5C 1G3. Individual tickets are priced at \$500. Link to register: <https://bit.ly/2U9hPxx>

Thursday, March 28—Empire Club of Canada will host **Finance Minister Vic Fedeli** MPP (PC — Nipissing), at 12 PM at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front Street W, Constitution Hall Section 105-106, Toronto, M5V2W6. Individual tickets for members are priced at \$95. Link to register: <https://bit.ly/2XsuWMj>

Wednesday, April 3—The East Coast Kitchen Party will be hosted by **Hon. Lisa MacLeod** MPP (PC — Nepean), Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, with guests **Hon. John Yakabuski** MPP (PC — Renfrew - Nipissing - Pembroke), Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, and **Sam Oosterhoff** MPP (PC — Niagara West), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Education. The event will be from 6 to 8 PM at the Duke of York, 39 Prince Arthur Avenue, Toronto, M5R 1B2. Individual tickets are \$300. Link to Purchase: <https://bit.ly/2tEUKr1>

Thursday, April 25—Leadership in a Turbulent World – Annual Pearson Centre Gala will be co-chaired by former Ontario Minister **Sandra Pupatello** and former MP **Paul Zed** at the Arcadian Court, 401 Bay Street, 8th floor, Toronto from 5:30 to 8:30 PM. Honourees will be **Hassan Yussuff**, President of the Canadian Labour Congress and **Margaret McCain**, former Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick. Individual tickets are \$350. Link to purchase: <https://bit.ly/2T3UeB6>

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