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## PEO BRAMPTON CHAPTER PARTICIPATES IN EVENT WITH MINISTER AND MPPs

(BRAMPTON) — PEO Brampton Chapter GLP Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng. (centre left) is pictured above with **Todd Smith**, MPP (Bay of Quinte), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade (centre right), who was the guest speaker at a Brampton Board of Trade event at the Garden Convention Centre on May 23.

Also in the photo are (left to right): **Amarjot Sandhu**, MPP (Brampton West), Brampton Board of Trade CEO **Todd Letts**, Brampton Board of Trade Chair-Elect **Vanessa White**, and **Prabmeet Sarkaria**, MPP (Brampton South), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General. See page 6 for more on this event.

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#### **TOP STORIES THIS WEEK**

- 1. PEO PARTICIPATES IN LEGISLATURE RECEPTION
- 2. ENGINEER PARTICIPATES IN RECEPTION FOR ALGOMA-MANITOULIN MPP
- 3. MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS MINISTER OUTLINES ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AT TORONTO EVENT
- 4. ENGINEER PARTICIPATES IN LOCAL EVENT WITH MPP

### **EVENTS WITH MPPs**

### PEO PARTICIPATES IN LEGISLATURE RECEPTION

PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng. attended the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme's (OLIP) Spring Reception at Queen's Park on May 14.

Ms. Chau had the chance to speak with a number of MPPs about PEO including:

- John Yakabuski, MPP (PC— Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke), Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
- Jim McDonell, P.Eng., MPP (PC— Stormont—Dundas—South Glengarry), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Jill Dunlop, MPP (PC—Simcoe North)
- John Vanthof, MPP (NDP— Timiskaming—Cochrane), Deputy Opposition Leader and Agriculture, Food and Rural Development Critic
- Gilles Bisson, MPP (NDP—Timmins), House Opposition Leader

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

PEO will be hosting the OLIP interns at the PEO headquarters on May 31st.



PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng. (centre left) attended the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme (OLIP) Spring Reception at Queen's Park on May 14.

With her in this picture are (left to right): Natural Resources and Forestry Minister **John Yakabuski**, MPP (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke), Ontario Integrity Commissioner **David Wake**, and OLIP intern **Jad El Tal**.



PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager Jeannette Chau, P.Eng. (centre) with Deputy Opposition Leader and Agriculture, Food and Rural Development Critic John Vanthof, MPP (Timiskaming—Cochrane) (left) and House Opposition Leader Gilles Bisson, MPP (Timmins) (right) at the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme Spring Reception on May 14 at Queen's Park.

# **ENGINEER PARTICIPATES IN RECEPTION FOR ALGOMA-MANITOULIN MPP**



Northern Development and Mines Critic **Michael Mantha**, MPP (Algoma—Manitoulin) (left) held a reception with stakeholders at the University Club in Toronto on May 13. Pictured with him are Chief Development Officer of Noront Resources **Stephen Flewelling**, P.Eng., (centre) and the Owner of Manitoulin Trout Farm **Susan Cole** (right).

**Michael Mantha**, MPP (NDP—Algoma—Manitoulin) held a reception with stakeholders at the University Club in Toronto on May 13.

Mr. Mantha is the Critic for Northern Development and Mines and has been very interested in PEO's work, particularly in regards to the Elliot Lake Inquiry.

#### Others in attendance were:

- Stephen Flewelling, P.Eng., PEO West Toronto Chapter Member and CDO of Noront Resources
- John Vanthof, MPP (NDP—Timiskaming—Cochrane), Deputy Opposition Leader and Agriculture,
   Food and Rural Development Critic
- Sol Mamakwa, MPP (NDP—Kiiwetinoong), Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation Critic
- Howard Brown, PEO Government Relations Consultant

Mr. Brown had a chance to speak with Mr. Mantha, Mr. Vanthof, Mr. Mamakwa, and Mr. Flewelling on PEO issues.

## MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS MINISTER OUTLINES ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AT TORONTO EVENT



Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister **Steve Clark**, MPP (PC—Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes) (left) in discussion with Toronto Region Board of Trade President and CEO **Jan De Silva** (right) after speaking at an event at the Sheraton Centre in Toronto on May 14.

PHOTO CREDIT: Toronto Region Board of Trade Twitter

Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister **Steve Clark**, MPP (Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes) spoke at a Toronto Region Board of Trade event, titled *More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan*, at the Sheraton Centre in Toronto on May 14.

Following his speech, Minister Clark engaged in a discussion with President and CEO of the Toronto Region Board of Trade Jan De Silva.

Also attending the event were the Premier's Chief of Staff **Dean French** and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**. Following the event, Mr. Brown had a chance to speak with both Mr. Clark and Mr. French. Mr. Brown reminded Mr. French that he represents PEO.

Minister Clark has worked closely with PEO for many years, most recently meeting with 2018-2019 PEO President **Dave Brown**, P.Eng. in November 2018.

A number of MPPs attended the event including:

- **Effie Triantafilopoulos**, MPP (Oakville North—Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
- Kinga Surma, MPP (Etobicoke Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation
- Will Bouma, MPP (Brantford—Brant)
- Sheref Sabawy, MPP (Mississauga—Erin Mills)

### **ENGINEER PARTICIPATES IN LOCAL EVENT WITH MPP**



**Sheref Sabawy**, MPP (PC—Mississauga—Erin Mills) (left) with former PEO Oakville Chapter Innovation Chair **Mukul Asthana**, P.Eng. (centre), and his spouse (right) at the Mississauga Arts Council's 25th MARTY Awards at the Mississauga Convention Centre on May 23.

(MISSISSAUGA) — Former PEO Oakville Chapter Innovation Chair **Mukul Asthana**, P.Eng. attended the Mississauga Arts Council's 25th MARTY Awards at the Mississauga Convention Centre on May 23.

Mr. Asthana is also on the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) Innovation Committee.

Many local politicians were in attendance including **Sheref Sabawy**, MPP (Mississauga—Erin Mills).

Also attending the event were PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs Jeannette Chau, P.Eng., and PEO Government Relations Consultant Howard Brown.

Ms. Chau and Mr. Brown had an opportunity to chat with Mr. Sabawy about PEO.



Sheref Sabawy, MPP (PC—Mississauga—Erin Mills) (left) with PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager Jeannette Chau, P.Eng. (right) at the Mississauga Arts Council's 25th MARTY Awards at the Mississauga Convention Centre on May 23.

## PEO BRAMPTON CHAPTER PARTICIPATES IN EVENT WITH MINISTER AND MPPs



PEO Brampton Chapter Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng. (centre left) spoke with three MPPs on May 23 at a Brampton Board of Trade event at the Garden Convention Centre. They were: NDP Deputy Leader **Sara Singh**, MPP (Brampton Centre) (centre right), **Prabmeet Sarkaria**, MPP (PC—Brampton South), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General, and **Amarjot Sandhu**, MPP (PC—Brampton West).

(BRAMPTON) — PEO Brampton Chapter Chair **Ravinder Panesar**, P.Eng. participated in a Brampton Board of Trade event at the Garden Convention Centre on May 23 with four MPPs, including one Minister.

#### The MPPs were:

- Todd Smith, MPP (PC—Bay of Quinte), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- Sara Singh, MPP (NDP—Brampton Centre), Deputy Leader and Attorney General Critic
- **Prabmeet Sarkaria**, MPP (PC—Brampton South), Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General
- Amarjot Sandhu, MPP (PC—Brampton West)

Also attending the event were former PC leader and MPP **Patrick Brown**, now-Mayor of Brampton and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

Mr. Panesar and Howard Brown had a chance to speak about PEO issues and events with Minister Smith and each of the MPPs, explaining the importance of PEO's role as the regulator of professional engineering in the public interest. They also discussed PEO's desire to build relationships with the Ministry of the Attorney General, including Minister **Caroline Mulroney**, MPP (York-Simcoe) and Ms. Singh in her capacity as the Attorney General Critic.

### **GLP TRIVIA CONTEST**

CONGRATULATIONS to PEO Thousand Islands Chapter Vice Chair, **Ray Linseman**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

**Question:** Which CBC host delivered the keynote address at the luncheon following the 2019 PEO Annual General Meeting?

Answer: Nora Young, CBC host of Spark.

This week's question: Which MPP and Minister spoke at an event held by the Oakville Chamber of Commerce on May 6?

<u>Join the Contest:</u> 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, June 3. **You may only win once in a four-week span.** 

<u>Correction</u>: Last week's winner **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng. is the Chair of the Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter, not the GLP Chair as stated in the May 17 issue of GLP Weekly.



Ray Linseman, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

### **UPCOMING MPP EVENTS**

**Saturday, June 1 – Celebrate Conservative Women in Politics Ottawa** from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM at Heart and Crown Irish Pub Barrhaven, 3161 Strandherd Drive #300, Ottawa, Ontario, K1N 5P5. Tickets are \$25. To purchase visit: <a href="https://bit.ly/2VgNa15">https://bit.ly/2VgNa15</a>

**NEW!** Monday, June 3 – An Evening with Suze Morrison, MPP (NDP – Toronto Centre) and Opposition Leader Andrea Horwath, MPP (NDP – Hamilton Centre) from 6 PM to 8 PM at 25 The Esplanade, Toronto, Ontario, M5E 1W5. Tickets are \$250. To purchase please contact <a href="mailto:tkatchevskain@gmail.com">tkatchevskain@gmail.com</a> or 647-825-8650

**Tuesday, June 4 – A Conversation with Kathleen Wynne** MPP (LIB – Don Valley West), hosted by the Don Valley West Provincial Liberal Association from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at 122 Buckingham Avenue, Toronto. Tickets are \$400. To RSVP contact Jane Rounthwaite at 416-822-7740 or <a href="mailto:support@kathleenwynne.ca">support@kathleenwynne.ca</a>

**NEW! Tuesday, June 4 – Annual Summer Party with Lindsay Park**, MPP (PC – Durham) in Support of the Durham PC Association from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Sunnybrae Golf Club, 1430 King Street, Port Perry, Ontario, L9L 1C1. Tickets are \$125 per person and \$200 per couple. To purchase visit: <a href="https://durham.ontariopc.ca/summer\_party\_2019">https://durham.ontariopc.ca/summer\_party\_2019</a>

NEW! Monday, June 10– In Discussion with Environment and Sustainability Critic Ian Arthur, MPP (NDP—Kingston and the Islands), and Opposition Leader Andrea Horwath, MPP (NDP—Hamilton Centre) at 6:30 PM at The Royal Kingston Curling Club, 130 Days Road, Kingston, Ontario, K7M 9G4. Tickets are \$125. To purchase please contact <a href="kbettswilmott@gmail.com">kbettswilmott@gmail.com</a> or 416-579-3252

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