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## ENGINEERS AWARDS GALA VISITED BY MPP



**Mitzie Hunter**, MPP (Scarborough-Guildwood) (third from left) with PEO CEO/Registrar, **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng. (left), Mr. Zuccon's spouse, **Carmen** (second from right), PEO Councillors **Qadira Jackson Kouakou**, P.Eng. (second from left), **Arthur Sinclair**, P.Eng. (behind), **Tomiwa Olukiyesi**, P.Eng. (third from right) and Ms. Olukiyesi's spouse, **Omoniyi Olukiyesi** (right) at the OPEA Gala on November 16. For more on this story, see pages 4 and 5.

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## TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. FOUR MPPS ATTEND PEO LONDON CHAPTER LICENCE PRESENTATION CEREMONY
2. TOMORROW IS THE EASTERN REGION GLP ACADEMY AND CONGRESS

## PEO NEWS

### COUNCIL APPROVES RECOMMENDATIONS TO MOVE FORWARD ON DOWNSVIEW INQUIRY



PEO Council meeting on September 19.

PEO held a Council meeting on September 19 and 20 at PEO headquarters.

The meeting was chaired by PEO President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng.

PEO Legal Counsel **Dan Abrahams** presented an activity filter designed to categorize PEO's activities.

The meeting approved 2020 operating and capital budgets.

Council decided not to proceed with creating a specialist designation for professional engineers designing and inspecting demountable event structures.

But Council did approve a proposal to require annual reporting by all licensed engineering practitioners regarding their current practice status, area of engineering practice, and other relevant information.

The motion also directed the CEO/ Registrar, **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., to amend the *Professional Engineers Act* to take other actions to make this possible.

This was one of the recommendations coming out of the Corner's inquest examining the death of Scott Johnson in the Downsview Park stage collapse.

## EVENTS WITH MPPs

### FOUR MPPs ATTEND PEO LONDON CHAPTER LICENCE PRESENTATION CEREMONY



**Randy Pettapiece**, MPP (Perth-Wellington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs (left), with PEO licence recipients **Ingy Kamal**, P.Eng. (centre) and **Ben Valiquette**, P.Eng. (right) at the PEO London Chapter Licence Ceremony on November 14.

(LONDON) - The PEO London Chapter invited four MPPs to attend a licence certificate presentation ceremony on November 14.

The four MPPs attending were:

- **Randy Pettapiece**, MPP (Perth-Wellington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
- **Peggy Sattler**, MPP (London-West), Deputy Opposition House Leader, Pay Equity, Employment Standards and Democratic Reform Critic
- **Terence Kernaghan**, MPP (London North Centre), LGBTQ Issues Critic
- **Teresa Armstrong**, MPP (London-Fanshawe), Chief Opposition Whip, Home Care and Long Term Care Critic

All of the MPPs delivered greetings on behalf of the Ontario government and Official Opposition and are all regular participants in PEO Chapter activities. Congratulations to all of the PEO licence recipients!

### PREMIER DELIVERS GREETINGS AT ENGINEER AWARDS GALA



Former MP **Corneliu Chisu** P.Eng. (left) with PEO President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng. (centre) and PEO Brantford Chapter's **Richard Chmura**, P. Eng at the Ontario Professional Engineers Awards (OPEA) on November 16.



Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke-North) bringing greetings on behalf of the Ontario government by video at the OPEA Gala.

(MISSISSAUGA) - Over 300 engineering leaders from across the province participated in the 72nd annual Ontario Professional Engineers Award (OPEA) Gala, which was held at the International Centre in Mississauga on November 16.

It was presented by both the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) and PEO.

In attendance were:

- **Mitzie Hunter**, MPP (Scarborough- Guildwood), the former Education Minister who is now a candidate for the Ontario Liberal leadership
- **Andrew Dowie**, P. Eng., Tecumseh Councillor and former Member of the PEO Government Liaison Committee
- **Corneliu Chisu**, P. Eng, former Member of Parliament for Pickering—Scarborough East, as well as a past PEO Vice President

Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North) spoke by video and gave a greeting in the Program book.

Premier Ford said, in part:

*"As Premier, I have tremendous respect for the members of our province's engineering profession. Simply put, engineers make our world a better place. They apply their innovative know-how and expertise to almost every sector of the economy and help ensure the continued success of our province."*

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### AND THE WINNERS ARE.....!



Recipients of the 2019 Ontario Professional Engineers Awards.

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(MISSISSAUGA) - There were ten award recipients at the OPEA Gala on November 16.

They were:

- **Brian J. Bonnick**, P.Eng. - The Gold Medal
- **John McPhee**, P.Eng. - Engineering Excellence
- **Irene Sterian**, P.Eng. - Management
- **Milica Radisic**, P.Eng. - Research and Development
- **Zheng Hong**, P.Eng. - Research and Development
- **Milos Popovic**, P.Eng. - Entrepreneurship
- **Shoshanna Saxe**, P.Eng. - Young Engineer
- **Jamie A. Labaque-Esaine**, P.Eng. - Citizenship Award
- **Ronald Sidon**, P.Eng. - Citizenship Award
- **Scott Goobie**, P.Eng. - Award for Engineering Project or Achievement accepting on behalf of **Bombardier Global 7500 Business Jet**

PEO Government Relations Consultant, **Howard Brown**, was a guest lecturer at Professor Saxe's Engineering class at the University of Toronto in September.

Congratulations to all the award recipients!

# TOMORROW IS THE EASTERN REGION GLP ACADEMY AND CONGRESS



Kingston is the location of the 2019 PEO Eastern Region GLP Academy and Congress tomorrow.

(KINGSTON) - **Randy Hillier**, MPP (Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston) (bottom, left) will be speaking at the PEO Eastern Region GLP Academy and Congress on November 23. MPP Hillier was a member of the PC caucus until May and is now sitting as an Independent.

Also speaking are Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, **Steve Clark**, MPP (Leeds-Grenville-Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes), (bottom, centre), and NDP Environment Critic **Ian Arthur**, MPP (Kingston & the Islands), (bottom, right).



Randy Hillier MPP



Hon. Steve Clark MPP



Ian Arthur MPP

## GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter Chair, **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

**Question: Who will be introducing PEO President Nancy Hill, P.Eng. in the Legislature on November 20?**

**Answer: Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie-Springwater-Oro Medonte), Attorney General of Ontario

***This week's question: Which former PEO President was appointed the Mayor of Whitestone on October 22?***

**Join the Contest:** Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly* with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to **Jeannette Chau** at [ichau@peo.on.ca](mailto:ichau@peo.on.ca) by Monday, November 25. ***You may only win once in a four-week span.***



**Nanda Lwin** P.Eng., is the winner of the last GLP Trivia contest.

## UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

**Tuesday, December 3- Canadian Club Presents-Education: The Next Generation** with **Ross Romano**, MPP (Sault. St. Marie), Minister of Colleges and Universities from 11:45 AM to 1:30 PM at The Fairmont Royal York, 100 Front Street. Tickets are \$100 for non-members and \$85 for members. To purchase tickets, visit: <https://www.canadianclub.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?id=3494>

**Friday, December 13-Holiday Open House with Laura Mae Lindo**, MPP (NDP-Kitchener Centre), Citizenship and Immigration Services and Anti-Racism Critic, from 2 to 4 PM at 25 Frederick Street, Suite 212, Kitchener, N2H 6M8. To RSVP visit: [https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/mpp-laura-mae-lindos-holiday-open-house-tickets-79593310735?utm\\_term=eventurl\\_text&aff=efbeventix&fbclid=IwAR3e-Bj58EK-GuAcp5CcHTfoSbJULDRA1XkT1yt9bCGcdi2t9mpGI6bePNY](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/mpp-laura-mae-lindos-holiday-open-house-tickets-79593310735?utm_term=eventurl_text&aff=efbeventix&fbclid=IwAR3e-Bj58EK-GuAcp5CcHTfoSbJULDRA1XkT1yt9bCGcdi2t9mpGI6bePNY)

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