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TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

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4. PEO GLP CHAIRS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE CALL HELD

MPP NEWS

FORMER LEGISLATURE SPEAKER PASSES AWAY

(MITCHELL) — Former Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario **Hugh Edighoffer** passed away on July 2 in Mitchell, Ontario. He was 90 years old.

Mr. Edighoffer was remembered by colleagues this week, including former Ontario Liberal Party Leader, Finance Minister, and Deputy Premier **Robert Nixon**, who [said](#) that Edighoffer “was a model to everybody” and “was one of those guys who was extremely well-liked by all sides.”

Former Ontario Premier **David Peterson** [said](#) that “everything that’s good about Canada, Hugh represented.”

Mr. Edighoffer served as the MPP for Perth from 1967 to 1990 and Speaker from 1985 to 1990 under the Peterson government.

Currently, the Speaker of the Legislature is **Ted Arnott**, MPP (PC—Wellington—Halton Hills).

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** knew Mr. Edighoffer and agreed that he was rare in his abilities to work with all sides of the house.



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PEO COUNCIL NEWS

GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR APPOINTED TO PEO COUNCIL BY PROVINCE



PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice-Chair **Arjan Arenja**, P.Eng., (sixth from right) hosted **Lisa Thompson**, MPP (PC—Huron—Bruce), Minister of Government and Consumer Services (centre right) at the 2017 GLP Western Region Academy and Congress in Goderich.

The Vice-Chair of the PEO Government Liaison Committee has been appointed by the province to PEO Council.

Arjan Arenja, P.Eng., (top) is also a former Georgian Bay Chapter Chair and GLP Chair. In 2017, he hosted the Western Region GLP Academy and Congress in Goderich with **Lisa Thompson**, MPP (PC—Huron—Bruce), Minister of Government and Consumer Services.

Also appointed was **Vajahat (Vaj) Bandy**, P.Eng. (middle). His chapter involvements include the Mississauga, Scarborough, and Georgian Bay Chapters. Within the Georgian Bay Chapter, he has been the Chair, Past Chair, Vice Chair, and on the Chapter Executive.

Sherlock Sung (bottom right) was also appointed. Mr. Sung has a Bachelor of Applied Science from the University of Toronto and has held technical positions in both the public and private sector domestically and internationally.

PEO would like to congratulate all three individuals on their Council appointments.

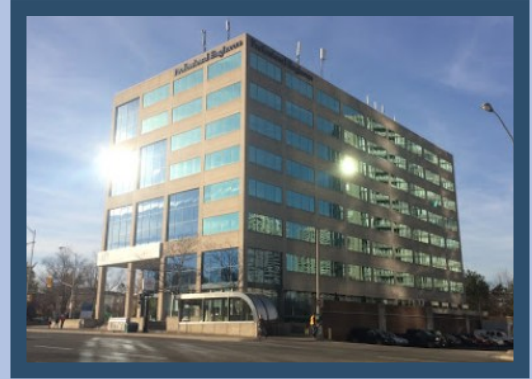


GLP NEWS

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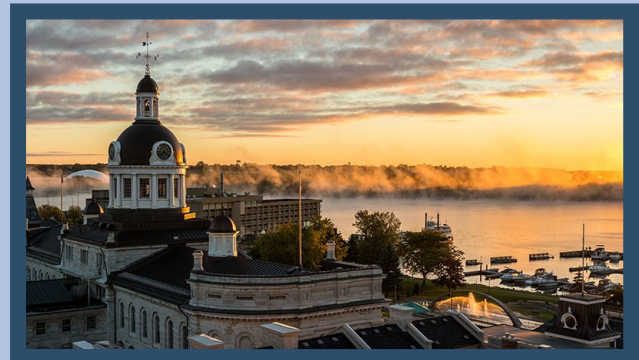
Dates have been set for two PEO GLP Academies and Congresses. They will be held:

- **Saturday, October 5 in Toronto** at PEO headquarters (right, top)—for the six chapters of the PEO East Central Region and the seven chapters of the West Central Region. Each chapter is allowed to send two representatives.
- **Saturday, November 23 in Kingston** at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel (right, bottom)—for the seven chapters of the PEO Eastern Region. It will be hosted by the Kingston chapter. Each chapter is allowed to send two representatives.



The last PEO GLP Academy and Congress was held for the Western Region on May 11 in downtown Chatham.

Deputy Speaker **Rick Nicholls**, MPP (Chatham-Kent—Leamington) was the guest speaker. He spoke about the importance of identifying an issue, assessing its impact and proposing a solution.



The meeting was hosted by PEO Chatham-Kent Chapter GLP Chair **Haris Ahmadzai**, P.Eng.



Deputy Speaker **Rick Nicholls**, MPP (Chatham-Kent—Leamington) (front, centre right) was the guest speaker at the 2019 PEO Western GLP Academy on May 11 at the Retro Suites Hotel in downtown Chatham.

GLP NEWS

PEO GLP CHAIRS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE CALL HELD

PEO Government Liaison Program Chairs from across the province held a quarterly conference call on July 11. Over 20 chapters participated.

The call was chaired by PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice-Chair **Arjan Arenja**. He is a newly-appointed member of PEO Council.

A number of topics were discussed including:

- MPP summer events, which GLP chairs were encouraged to find out more about and attend
- The 2019 GLP Chapter Manual has been updated and is [posted](#) on PEO's website
- The External Regulatory Review (produced by Harry Cayton, for which PEO Council has accepted and directed that an action plan be developed and presented to Council in September).

PEO NEWS

PEO SENDS AG EXTERNAL REGULATORY REVIEW REPORT



Attorney General **Doug Downey**, MPP (PC—Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte).

As part of Harry Cayton's Regulatory Performance Review, it was recommended that PEO work with the Attorney General's office to seek changes to its statute [Professional Engineers Act] to modernize its organization and regulatory powers."

PEO provided Attorney General **Doug Downey**, MPP (PC—Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte) with an advance copy of the report.

At its June meeting, PEO Council directed the Registrar to develop a high-level action plan for PEO to act on the recommendations for consideration at the September Council meeting.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

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Mr. Basi had the chance to meet and speak with **Chris Glover**, MPP (NDP—Spadina—Fort York), Critic for Colleges and Universities at an event.

MPP Glover was elected to the Legislature last year and previously served as a Toronto District School Board Trustee from 2010 until his election.

Speakers included chair of the New York-based HR&A Advisors **John Alschuler**, Toronto architect **Ken Greenberg** and **Dave Harvey**, Executive Director of Park People and former advisor to Premier **Dalton McGuinty**.

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

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

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

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

Answer: Catherine Fife, MPP (NDP—Waterloo), Critic for Jobs, Employment, Research and Innovation

This week's question: Which MPP spoke at a PEO Scarborough Chapter Licence certificate presentation ceremony on June 8?

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 22. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**



Nanda Lwin, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

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, July 25 – Meet & Greet with Opposition Leader Andrea Horwath, MPP (NDP – Hamilton Centre) from 5:30 to 9:30 PM at Spin Dessert Cafe & Bistro, 1355 Kingston Road, Pickering, Ontario, L1V 1B8. Tickets are \$40 online and \$50 at the door. To purchase visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/meet-and-greet-with-andrea-horwath-in-pickering-tickets-65070348163>

NEW! Saturday July 27 – Community BBQ hosted by Andrea Khanjin, MPP (PC – Barrie–Innisfil), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and **John Brassard**, MP (CON – Barrie–Innisfil), Deputy Opposition Whip from 12 to 2 PM at Innisfil Public Library - Stroud Branch, 7883 Yonge Street, Innisfil, Ontario, L9S 1K8. Attendance to is free. To RSVP contact Stephen Donkers at: stephen.donkers@pc.ola.org or 705-722-0575

NEW! Sunday, July 28 – Don Valley North Provincial Liberal Association Summer BBQ from 4 to 8 PM at ARC Condominium, 8th Floor, 2885 Bayview Ave, Toronto, Ontario, M2K 0A3. Attendance is free. For more information visit: <https://ontarioliberal.ca/events/don-valley-north-summer-bbq/>

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>

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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