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NEW PEO PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL TAKE OFFICE AT 97TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PEO's 2019-2020 Council was sworn in at the 97th Annual General Meeting in Toronto on May 4.

In the front row (left to right) are Elected Vice President **Christian Bellini**, P.Eng., Councillor **Nadine Rush**, C.E.T., Councillor-at-Large **Leila Notash**, P.Eng., Councillor **Tim Kirkby**, P.Eng., Past President **Dave Brown**, P.Eng., President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng., President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., Councillor **Qadira Jackson**, LL.B., Councillor **Lew Lederman**, QC, Western Region Councillor **Wayne Kershaw**, P.Eng., and West Central Region Councillor **Lisa MacCumber**, P.Eng.

In the back row (left to right) are East Central Region Councillor **Keivan Torabi**, P.Eng., Eastern Region Councillor **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., Councillor **Lorne Cutler**, P.Eng., Councillor-at-Large **Sandra Ausma**, P.Eng., appointed Vice President **Michael Chan**, P.Eng., West Central Region Councillor **Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng., Northern Region Councillor **Serge Robert**, P.Eng., Eastern Region Councillor **Randy Walker**, P.Eng., Northern Region Councillor **Ramesh Subramanian**, P.Eng., Councillor **Marilyn Spink**, P.Eng., Councillor-at-Large **Gregory Wowchuk**, P.Eng., East Central Region Councillor **Arthur Sinclair**, P.Eng., and Councillor **Iretomiwa Olukiyesi**, P.Eng. Not pictured is Western Region Councillor **Gary Houghton**, P.Eng.

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*Deadline for all submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. The next issue will be published on May 17, 2019.

TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. PEO LEADERSHIP PARTICIPATES IN LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR RECEPTION WITH LABOUR MINISTER
2. NEW PRESIDENT SWORN IN AT 2019 PEO AGM
3. PEO HONOURS 13 VOLUNTEERS AT 2019 ORDER OF HONOUR AWARDS GALA
4. THOUSAND ISLANDS CHAPTER EXECUTIVES ATTEND BROCKVILLE EVENT WITH MINISTERS AND MPP

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO LEADERSHIP PARTICIPATES IN LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR RECEPTION WITH LABOUR MINISTER

PEO participated in a reception to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Ministry of Labour on May 2 in the Lieutenant Governor's Suite at Queen's Park.

The reception was hosted by Lieutenant Governor of Ontario **Elizabeth Dowdeswell**, OC OOnt.

Representing the government was Minister of Labour **Laurie Scott**, MPP (Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock).

Representing PEO were:

- 2018-2019 President **Dave Brown**, P.Eng.
- 2019-2020 President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng.
- Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng.



PEO President 2018-2019 **Dave Brown**, P.Eng., (left) and PEO President 2019-2020 **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng., (right) attended the Ontario Legislature with Labour Minister **Laurie Scott**, MPP (Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock) (centre).

The PEO representatives had an opportunity to speak with the Minister during the reception.

Minister Scott was first elected in 2003, and has been re-elected four times since.

In June 2018, Minister Scott was sworn in as the Minister of Labour for Ontario.

NEW PRESIDENT SWORN IN AT 2019 PEO AGM

PEO held its 97th Annual General Meeting in Toronto on May 4 at the Hilton Toronto Hotel.

Nancy Hill, P.Eng. was sworn in as the 100th PEO president.

A number of member submissions were presented at the AGM.

Both 2018-2019 President **Dave Brown**, P.Eng., and Ms. Hill gave presentations. Mr. Brown then swore in Ms. Hill as the new president of PEO Council.

2019-2020 PEO President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng. addressing attendants of the 2019 Annual General Meeting on May 4 in Toronto at the Hilton Toronto Hotel.



AGM LUNCHEON FEATURES CBC HOST OF SPARK

CBC host **Nora Young** delivered the keynote address at the luncheon following the AGM.

Ms. Young spoke on the topic of big data, and has hosted CBC's Spark since 2007.

Following the annual general meeting, two awards were presented.

The S.E. Wolfe Thesis Award was given to **Kamlesh Dave**, P.Eng., for his engineer report on the Modelling of High Density Polyethelene for Future Finite Element Simulation, receiving a mark of 91 per cent.

The V.G. Smith Award was given to **Li Ju Xue**, P.Eng., for attaining the highest mark in any three technical examination papers.



CBC Host of Spark **Nora Young** delivered the keynote address at the lunch following PEO's Annual General Meeting on May 4.

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PEO HONOURS 13 VOLUNTEERS AT 2019 ORDER OF HONOUR AWARDS GALA



PEO held its 2019 Order of Honour Awards Gala on May 3 in Toronto at the Hilton Hotel. Recipients above are (front row left to right) **John Glover**, P.Eng., **Roger Jones**, P.Eng., **Wayne Kershaw**, P.Eng., **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., **Joe Adams**, P.Eng., and **Narayana Asogan**, P.Eng. In the back row (left to right) are **Rabiz Foda**, P.Eng., **Peter Broad**, P.Eng., **Gordon Ip**, P.Eng., **Don Marstson**, P.Eng., **Luc Roberge**, P.Eng., and **David Robinson**, P.Eng. Also in the photo is **Kaela Shea**, EIT, winner of the G. Gordon M. Sterling Engineering Intern Award seated in the back row, fourth from the left.

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PEO honoured 13 volunteers at the 2019 Annual Order of Honour Awards Gala on May 3 in Toronto.

Inducted as a Companion of the Order of Honour was former PEO councillor **David Robinson**, P.Eng., who was recognized for his 30 years of service to the North Bay Chapter. Six were named as Officers including London Chapter's **Peter Broad**, P.Eng., East Toronto Chapter's **John Glover**, P.Eng., York Chapter's **Gordon Ip**, P.Eng., Ottawa Chapter's **Bill Jackson**, P.Eng., Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter's **Roger Jones**, P.Eng., and East Toronto Chapter's **Don Marston**, P.Eng.

Six were named as Members including London Chapter's **Joe Adams**, P.Eng., Scarborough Chapter's **Narayana Asogan**, P.Eng., Mississauga Chapter's **Rabiz Foda**, P.Eng., Hamilton-Burlington Chapter's **Wayne Kershaw**, P.Eng., Windsor-Essex Chapter's **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., and Porcupine/Kapukasing Chapter's **Luc Roberge**, P.Eng.

A number of the winners were actively involved in the GLP.

Mr. Kershaw, a former and newly-elected PEO councillor, initially pitched the idea for the first regional GLP Academies and Congresses with MPPs, which have now been held across Ontario for the last eight years.

PhD CANDIDATE WINS ENGINEERING INTERN AWARD

Honoured as the recipient of this year's G. Gordon M. Sterling Engineering Intern Award was **Kaela Shea**, EIT. Kaela is a PhD candidate at the University of Toronto's Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering. The award is given annually based on an EIT's leadership potential as a member of the engineering profession.

PEO President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., (left) with 2019 G. Gordon M. Sterling Engineering Intern Award recipient **Kaela Shea**, EIT, at the 2019 Order of Honour Awards Gala held on May 3 at the Hilton Hotel in Toronto.



EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO REPRESENTED AT TRANSPORTATION MINISTER EVENT



Jeff Yurek, MPP (Elgin—Middlesex—London), Transportation Minister (left) in discussion with **Janet De Silva**, President and CEO of the Toronto Region Board of Trade at an event on May 1. PHOTO CREDIT: Getty Images

Transportation Minister **Jeff Yurek**, MPP (Elgin—Middlesex—London) announced a number of new initiatives when he spoke at a Toronto Region Board of Trade event on May 1, at The Westin Harbour Castle Convention Centre. Also in attendance were the Minister's Parliamentary Assistant **Kinga Surma**, MPP (Etobicoke—Centre) and hundreds of stakeholders, including PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

Minister Yurek outlined a set of proposed legislative changes to look at improving road safety and increasing public safety. He also announced two province-wide consultations: one to review speed limits and another to review rules of the road for bicycles, e-bikes and scooters. For more information on the consultations: see [here](#).

Mr. Brown had a chance to speak with Minister Yurek about this weekend's PEO GLP Academy in Chatham.

PEO COUNCIL MAKES COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS



PEO Council 2018-2019

PEO held its 527th Council meeting on May 4. **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng. assumed office as president earlier that day. The following appointments were made for the 2019-2020 Council year:

- President Hill, P.Eng. was appointed as the Council Meeting Chair
- Councillor **Serge Robert**, P.Eng. was appointed chair of the Regional Councillors Committee
- Councillor **Michael Chan**, P.Eng. was elected as appointed Vice President and to the Executive
- **Lew Lederman**, QC was appointed to the Executive Committee as the LGA Councillor
- Councillors **Sandra Ausma**, P.Eng., **Leila Notash**, P.Eng., and **Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng. were appointed to the Executive in addition to Ms. Hill, President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., Past President **David Brown**, P.Eng., and Elected Vice President **Christian Bellini**, P.Eng.
- Councillor **Qadira Jackson**, LL.B., and Councillor **Marilyn Spink**, P.Eng. were appointed as members of the Human Resources Committee in addition to Ms. Hill, President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., Past President **David Brown**, P.Eng.

As recommended by the Human Resources Committee, these Councillors were appointed to the Audit, Finance, Legislation, and OPSE-PEO Joint Relations Committees:

- **Guy Boone**, P.Eng., **Lew Lederman**, QC, **Leila Notash**, P.Eng., and **Marilyn Spink**, P.Eng. to Audit
- **Sandra Ausma**, P.Eng., **Lorne Cutler**, P.Eng., **Tim Kirkby**, P.Eng., and **Randy Walker**, P.Eng. to Finance
- **Sandra Ausma**, P.Eng., **Gary Houghton**, P.Eng., **Lisa MacCumber**, P.Eng., **Leila Notash**, P.Eng., and **Arthur Sinclair**, P.Eng., as well as President Hill and President-Elect Sterling to Legislation
- **Wayne Kershaw**, P.Eng., **Arthur Sinclair**, P.Eng., as well as President Hill, President-Elect Sterling, and Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng. to OPSE-PEO Joint Relations

Tim Kirkby, P.Eng. will serve as the PEO representative on the Council of the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

THOUSAND ISLANDS CHAPTER EXECUTIVES ATTEND BROCKVILLE EVENT WITH MINISTERS AND MPP

(BROCKVILLE) - PEO representatives attended a Brockville and District Chamber of Commerce event on April 24 at the Brockville Convention Centre.

The event, titled Budget 2019: Protecting What Matters Most, featured Finance Minister **Vic Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing).

The Minister held a meet-and-greet before delivering remarks on the 2019 Ontario Budget and taking questions.

Also present on behalf of the Ontario Government were:

- **Steve Clark**, MPP (Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes), Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- **Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry), Parliamentary Assistant to Minister Clark

Representing the PEO Thousand Islands Chapter Executive were Director **Ahmad Khadra**, P.Eng., and Chair **Graham Houze**, P.Eng.



PEO Thousand Islands Chapter Director **Ahmad Khadra**, P.Eng., (left) and Chair **Graham Houze**, P.Eng., (right) spoke with Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister **Steve Clark**, MPP (Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes), (centre-left) and **Jim McDonell**, P.Eng., MPP (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry) (centre-right) at Brockville and District Chamber of Commerce's event on April 24.



PEO Thousand Islands Chapter Director **Ahmad Khadra**, P.Eng., (left) and Chair **Graham Houze**, P.Eng., (right) with Finance Minister **Vic Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing) (centre) at the 2019 Ontario Budget event on in Brockville on April 24.

NEWS

MISSISSAUGA COUNCILLOR AND PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER RECOGNIZED AT LOCAL POLITICIANS RECEPTION



Mississauga Councillor **Ron Starr**, P.Eng., (second from the left) attended the Mississauga Board of Trade Annual Politicians Reception with a number of elected officials on April 24.

Mississauga Councillor **Ron Starr**, P.Eng. (Ward 6) was one of the elected officials that participated in and was honoured at the Mississauga Board of Trade Annual Politicians Reception on April 24. Mr. Starr is a regular participant in PEO events. As reported in the last issue of GLP Weekly (May 3), also attending the event were five MPPs, one MP, several city councillors and Mississauga Mayor **Bonnie Crombie**.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to former East Central Regional Councillor **Noubar Takessian**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: Which Ontario cabinet minister attended the PEO Algonquin Chapter National Engineering Month event on April 6?

Answer: John Yakabuski, MPP (PC — Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke), Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

This week's question: Which MPP did the PEO Oakville Chapter meet with on April 24?

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, May 13, alongside the new question. ***You may only win once in a four-week span.***



Noubar Takessian, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

NEW! Saturday, May 11 – Mother’s Day Breakfast with Kinga Surma, MPP (PC – Etobicoke Centre), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Canadiana, 5230 Dundas Street West, Etobicoke, M9B 1A8. Tickets are \$30 . To register visit: <http://bit.ly/2Y1e4f5>

Monday, May 13— Annual Wild Game Feast hosted by Michael Mantha, MPP (NDP – Algoma - Manitoulin) and with guest speaker **John Vanthof**, MPP (NDP – Timiskaming - Cochrane), Deputy Leader of the Opposition and Agriculture, Food and Rural Development Critic. The event runs from 6 to 8 PM at the University Club, 380 University Avenue, Toronto. Prices start from \$250. To register visit: <http://bit.ly/2UQyVQ8>

NEW! Tuesday, May 14 – Toronto Region Board of Trade presents: Ontario’s Housing Supply Action Plan with Hon. Steve Clark MPP (PC – Leeds - Grenville - Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes) from 7:30 AM to 9 AM at 2nd Floor Dominion Ballroom in Sheraton Centre Hotel, 123 Queen Street West, Toronto, M5H 2M9. Tickets are \$74 for members and \$94 for non-members. To purchase visit: <http://bit.ly/2XZYL6j>

Thursday, May 23— In Conversation with Hon. Todd Smith, MPP (PC – Bay of Quinte), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade from 7:30 to 9:30 AM at Garden Convention Centre, 8 Clipper Court, Brampton, L6W 4T9. Individual tickets are priced at \$40. To register visit: <http://bit.ly/2UBjGz>

NEW! Wednesday, May 29 — Cottage Country Summer Kick-off with Labour Minister Laurie Scott, MPP (PC — Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock), Minister of Labour from 6 to 9 PM at Craft Brasserie and Grille, 107 Atlantic Avenue, Toronto, M6K 1Y2. Individual tickets are priced at \$500. To register visit: https://hklb.ontariopc.ca/cottage_country_summer_kick_off

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 support@kathleenwynne.ca

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