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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM PEO AND BROWN & COHEN!





PEO representatives attended a holiday reception hosted by Brown & Cohen (B&C) on November 20 at PEO Headquarters. In the photo are (from left to right, bottom row) B&C CEO **Kim Cohen**, PEO's Government Liaison Committee (GLC) Vice-Chair **Arjan Arenja**, P.Eng., CEO/ Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., GLC Chair and Regional Councillor **Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng., and Director, Policy and Professional Affairs **Bernie Ennis**, P.Eng., (from left to right, top row) B&C President **Howard Brown**, PEO GLC member **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng., B&C VP **Wendy Kauffman**, PEO's Chapter Co-ordinator **Julie Hamilton**, Administrative Assistant **Sharon Gillam**, Manager Registration **Faris Georgis** and B&C Account Director **Bharath Arvind**.

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PEO EAST TORONTO CHAPTER GLP CHAIR SPEAKS WITH MPP



PEO East Toronto Chapter GLP Chair **Nadia Aftab**, P.Eng., (right) spoke with **Michael Coteau**, MPP (Don Valley East) (left) at a holiday event on November 30.

PEO East Toronto Chapter GLP Chair **Nadia Aftab**, P.Eng., attended a MPP holiday event on November 30.

Attending the event was **Michael Coteau**, MPP (Don Valley East), and Liberal Party leadership candidate.

Ms. Aftab told *GLP Weekly* "I had the opportunity to speak with MPP Coteau about the work of PEO, its members and the organization's mandate."

MPP Coteau is very familiar with the work of PEO and has previously spoken with other members.

These meetings are important to build relationships with MPPs as part of PEO's mandate to regulate the engineering profession in the public interest.

PEO NEWS

PEO PRESIDENT HEADS TVO PANEL

ON MONTREAL MASSACRE'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY



PEO President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng., was a guest panelist on *The Agenda with Steve Paikin*, to discuss the 30th anniversary of the Montreal Massacre and its legacy for engineers.

PEO President **Nancy Hill** P.Eng., was the lead guest on TVO's *The Agenda with Steve Paikin* on December 5 to discuss the <u>30 year Anniversary of the Montreal Massacre</u> and its impact on the engineering community.

On December 6, 1989, the largest mass shooting in Canadian history occurred at École Polytechnique in Montreal killing 14 women, most of which were engineering students.

Other guests on the segment included:

- Nathalie Provost, who survived the attack and is now a Regional Director with the Quebec Government's Ministry of Sustainable Development, Environment and Fight Against Climate Change
- Laura Conquergood, P.Eng., Vice President of Operations at Baylis Medical
- Shivani Nathoo, EIT, Smart Grid and Asset Management Engineering Intern for Hatch Limited

Ms. Hill said "As a regulator, I think it is important for PEO to not forget this as a key time in our history."

She also spoke about PEO's 30 by 30 Initiative, whose goal is to have 30% of newly licenced engineers be

female by the year 2030. Currently, less than 20% of new licensees are female.

President Hill was also interviewed on the same topic during a radio show on SAUGA 960 AM, hosted by Brian Crombie, which aired on December 6.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

ENGINEERS ATTEND MISSISSAUGA EVENT WITH PREMIER AND ATTORNEY GENERAL



PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs Jeannette Chau P.Eng., (right) spoke with Sheref Sabawy, MPP (Mississauga– Erin Mills),
Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (second from left) and Natalia Kusendova, MPP (Mississauga Centre) (second from the right) at a PC event on December 3.
Also in the photo are Mary Sabawy (left) ,Santa (third from the left), Nabil Bechai, P.Eng., (third from the right), and Mina Bechai (centre).



PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs Jeannette Chau P.Eng., and PEO Government Relations Consultant Howard Brown spoke with Attorney General Doug Downey, MPP (Barrie-Springwater-Oro Medonte) at a Mississauga event on December 3.

(MISSISSAUGA)- **Sheref Sabawy**, MPP (Mississauga– Erin Mills), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries hosted an event in Mississauga on December 3.

PEO representatives attending included:

- Nabil Bechai, P.Eng.
- Manager of Government Liaison Programs Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.
- Government Relations Consultant Howard Brown

Also attending were: **Premier Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North), Attorney General **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie– Springwater– Oro Medonte), Finance Minister **Rod Phillips**, MPP (Ajax) , **Peter Bethlenfalvy**, MPP (Pickering–Uxbridge), President of the Treasury Board, **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (Nepean), Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries, **Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria**, MPP (Brampton South), Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction, **Will Bouma**, MPP (Brantford– Brant), Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier, **Nina Tangri**, MPP (Mississauga– Streetsville), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, **Natalia Kusendova**, MPP (Mississauga Centre) and former Mississauga Mayor **Hazel McCallion**.

PEO representatives had a chance to speak with most of the Ministers and MPPs about PEO as a regulator of the province.

MPP Sabawy has been a long time supporter of PEO and was a guest speaker at its East and West Central Region GLP Academy and Congress on October 5.

QUEEN'S PARK NEWS

LIBERAL LEADERSHIP RACE KICKS OFF WITH FIRST ALL CANDIDATES DEBATE



The Ontario Liberal Party hosted its first all candidates debate on December 8 in Guelph. Here are the six candidates (from left to right): **Kate Graham** (former London North Centre candidate), **Steven Del Duca** (former MPP for Vaughan-Woodbridge), **Michael Coteau**, MPP (Don Valley East), **Alvin Tedjo** (former Oakville-Burlington North candidate) **Mitzie Hunter**, MPP (Scarborough Guildwood),) and **Brenda Hollingsworth** (Ottawa lawyer).

(GUELPH) - The Ontario Liberal Party will have a new leader on March 7, 2020.

The six contenders are:

- Current Don Valley East MPP Michael Coteau
- Current Scarborough-Guildwood MPP Mitzie Hunter
- Former Vaughan MPP and Minister Steven Del Duca
- Former London North Centre candidate Kate Graham
- Former Oakville-Burlington North candidate Alvin Tedro
- Ottawa lawyer Brenda Hollingsworth

The first all candidates debate was held on December 8 in Guelph, where former MPP and Minister **John Wilkinson** had the chance to ask candidates how they plan on rebuilding the party and leading the province.

Click the links to watch the November 28 showcasing and the December 8 debate.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng., from the PEO Oakville Chapter for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: Who introduced the PEO delegation at Queen's Park on November 20?

Answer: Attorney General Doug Downey

This week's question:

Which Chapter hosted a Take Your MPP to Work day on November 29?

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, December 16. You may only win once in a four-week span.



Jeffrey Lee P.Eng., is the winner of last week's GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Tuesday, December 17 — Christmas Connections with Doug Downey, MPP (Barrie—Springwater, Oro Medonte), Attorney General, from 1 to 3 PM at Barrie Legion Branch 147, Ferris Lane, Barrie, L4M 4A6. Attendance is free. RSVP at: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/711221862705107/</u>

Tuesday, December 17— Christmas Celebratory Evening with Stephen Crawford, MPP (Oakville), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Infrastructure, from 7 to 9 PM at The Kings Arms Pub, 323 Church St, Oakville. Attendance is free. RSVP at 905.827.5141 or stephen.crawford@pc.ola.org

Wednesday , December 18— Holiday Cheer Open House with Monique Taylor, MPP (Hamilton Mountain), Critic, Children and Youth Services Deputy Opposition Whip & **Scott Duvall** MP, (Hamilton Mountain), from 3 to 6 PM, at 555 Concession St., Hamilton, ON, L8V 1A8, Second Floor. RSVP at: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/559521981284905/</u>

Monday, December 23—Christmas Eve in Midland with Jill Dunlop, MPP (Simcoe North), Associate Minister of Children and Women's Issues, from 5 to 8 PM, at Midland Cultural Centre, 333 King Street, Midland, ON, L4R 3M7. Attendance is free. RSVP at: <u>https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/christmas-eve-in-midland-tickets-80761534925</u>

Monday, December 23— Christmas Pancake Breakfast with Liberal Party Interim Leader John Fraser, MPP (Ottawa South), from 8 to 10 AM, at Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre, 1560 Heatherington Road, Ottawa ON, K1V 9P5. Attendance is free.

Saturday, December 28— Holiday Skate with Deputy Speaker Rick Nicholls, MPP (Chatham – Kent - Leamington), from 12 to 1:30 PM at Chatham Memorial Centre, 80 Tweedsmuir Avenue West, Chatham, ON, N7M 2A4. Attendance is free. RSVP at 1.800.265.3992

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