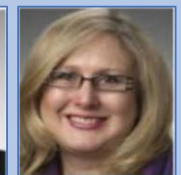




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PEO TEMISKAMING AND GRAND RIVER CHAPTER ENGINEERS PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE WITH MINISTER AND MPPS



PEO Temiskaming Chapter Chair **Maria Story**, P.Eng., (second from the right), and member **Ken Korman**, P.Eng., (right) and PEO Grand River Chapter member **Harmail Basi**, P.Eng., (third from the left) attended the Ontario Environment Industry's Association (ONEIA) conference on November 18 in Toronto. With them in the photo are ONEIA's Chair **Terry Obal** (second from the left), ONEIA's Executive Director **Alex Gill** (third from the right), **Jim McDonnell**, MPP (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, (centre) and **Andrea Khanjin**, MPP (Barrie-Innisfil), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (fourth from the right). For more on this story, see page 5.

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TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. PEO PRESIDENT AND CEO/REGISTRAR ATTEND CONSULTING ENGINEERS QUEEN'S PARK DAY
2. MISSISSAUGA ENGINEERS ATTEND EVENTS WITH PREMIER AND FINANCE MINISTER

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO OAKVILLE CHAPTER HOSTS TAKE YOUR MPP TO WORK DAY



PEO Oakville Chapter hosted a Take Your MPP To Work Day with **Effie Triantafilopoulos**, MPP (Oakville North-Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Long-Term Care (centre-right) at Rockwool Production Plant in Milton on November 29. Also in the photo are (from left to right) Chapter GLP Co-ordinator **Mazen AbuOmar**, P.Eng., PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., Chapter GLP Chair **Sohail Naseer**, P.Eng., PEO Government Liaison Committee Chair (GLC) and Regional Councillor **Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng., Rockwool President **Trent Ogilvie**, P.Eng., Rockwool Director of Operations **Andrew Avgousti**, P.Eng., and GLC member and Chapter Treasurer **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng.

(OAKVILLE) - **Effie Triantafilopoulos**, MPP (PC—Oakville-North Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Long-Term Care participated in a PEO Take Your MPP To Work Day on November 29.

The Oakville Chapter hosted the event at Rockwool Production Plant in Milton. The plant produces stone wool insulation and supplies the products to Central/Eastern Canada and Northeast US markets.

Attending on behalf of PEO were Regional Councillor and Government Liaison Committee (GLC) Chair **Warren Turnbull**, GLC member and Chapter Treasurer **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng., Chapter GLP Chair **Sohail Naseer**, P.Eng., GLP Co-ordinator **Mazen AbuOmar**, P.Eng., as well as PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau** P.Eng.

MPP Triantafilopoulos has been a regular participant in PEO Oakville Chapter activities since her election in June 2018. Take Your MPP To Work Days are helpful opportunities to build relationships with MPPs and let them know about PEO's role as the regulator of the profession in the public interest. She spoke highly of the program and the important work that PEO and engineers do.

CEO NEWS

PEO PRESIDENT AND CEO/REGISTRAR ATTEND CONSULTING ENGINEERS QUEEN'S PARK DAY



PEO President **Nancy Hill** P.Eng., (centre right) and CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., (left) attended Consulting Engineers of Ontario (CEO) Queen's Park Day on December 2. With them in the photo are CEO's Chair **Christine Hill**, P.Eng (second from the left) and CEO's CEO **Bruce Matthews**, P.Eng. (right).

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Consulting Engineers of Ontario (CEO) hosted a Queen's Park Day on December 2.

Attending on behalf of PEO were President **Nancy Hill**, P.Eng., and CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng.

The Queen's Park Day hosted MPPs including: **John Yakabuski**, MPP (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke), Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (bottom, left), **Kinga Surma**, MPP (Etobicoke Centre), Associate Minister of Transportation (bottom, left) and **Gilles Bisson**, MPP (Timmins), Deputy Opposition House Leader (bottom, right).

CEO Chair **Christine Hill**, P.Eng., was part of a delegation that met with **Andrea Khanjin**, MPP (Barrie—Innisfil), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

They also met with Infrastructure Ontario and other Ministries.



MISSISSAUGA ENGINEERS ATTEND EVENTS WITH PREMIER AND FINANCE MINISTER



PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., (left) and Mississauga Chapter GLP Chair **Pappur Shankar**, P.Eng., (right) participated in a Mississauga Board of Trade event on November 29 with **Sheref Sabawy**, MPP (Mississauga—Erin Mills), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries.



PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., (right) spoke with Finance Minister **Rod Phillips**, MPP (Ajax) (left) at the Institute of Corporate Directors AGM on November 27.

(MISSISSAUGA) - PEO Mississauga Chapter GLP Chair **Pappur Shankar**, P.Eng., and Manager of Government Liaison Programs **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., attended a Mississauga Board of Trade breakfast on November 29.

The guest of honour was Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North).

Premier Ford discussed the government's pledge to improve transit and extend the Eglinton Crosstown west. He also spoke about the progress his government has made to date, and the investments in infrastructure that they are making.

Also attending were a number of PC MPPs, including **Sheref Sabawy**, MPP (Mississauga—Erin Mills), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries, **Rudy Cuzzetto**, MPP (Mississauga—Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the President of the Treasury Board, **Kaleed Rasheed**, MPP (Mississauga East—Cooksville), Deputy Government Whip and **Deepak Anand**, MPP (Mississauga—Malton).

Ms. Chau also attended the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) AGM on November 27. Attending was Finance Minister **Rod Phillips**, MPP (Ajax).

Minister Phillips spoke about the governments drive to reduce regulations.

Ms. Chau spoke with him afterwards to remind him that not all regulations are bad and that some regulations are needed to protect the public, and that PEO works on behalf of the public interest. Minister Phillips agreed and indicated that it is important to reduce regulation in a safe and responsible manner.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO TEMISKAMING AND GRAND RIVER CHAPTER ENGINEERS PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE WITH MINISTER AND MPPs



PEO Grand River Chapter representative **Harmail Basi**, P.Eng (second from the right) participated in the Ontario Environment Industry Association (ONEIA) conference on November 18 in Toronto. With him in the photo are (from left to right) ONEIA's Executive Director **Alex Gill**, **Kristy Savoie** from Jacobs, **Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria**, MPP (Brampton South), Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction and **Denise Lacchin**, P.Eng., from Golder.

Sol Mamakwa, MPP (Kiiwetinoong), NDP Critic for Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation (left) with **Michele Grenier**, P.Eng., Executive Director of Ontario Water Works Association at the ONEIA conference on November 18 in Toronto.

Engineers and MPPs were out in force this year at the Ontario Environment Industry Association (ONEIA) environment conference on November 18 in Toronto.

Engineers attending included PEO Temiskaming Chapter Chair **Maria Story**, P.Eng., and member **Ken Korman**, P.Eng., Grand River Chapter member **Harmail Basi**, P.Eng., and professional engineers **Denise Lacchin**, P.Eng., from Golder and **Michele Grenier**, P.Eng., Executive Director of the Ontario Water Works Association.

The MPPs speaking at the conference included **Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria**, MPP (Brampton South), Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction and **Andrea Khanjin**, MPP (Barrie –Innisfil), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Also attending were **Jim McDonnell**, MPP (Stormont—Dundas—South Glengarry), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, **Sol Mamakwa**, MPP (Kiiwetinoong), NDP Critic for Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and former Ontario Environment Minister **John Wilkinson**.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** spoke on a pundit's panel looking at issues facing the provincial government.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to **Chantal Chiddle**, P.Eng., from the PEO Kingston Chapter for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: Which former PEO President was appointed the Mayor of Whitestone on October 22?

Answer: Former PEO President **George Comrie**, P.Eng.

This week's question:

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

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



Chantal Chiddle, P.Eng., is the winner of the last GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Saturday, December 7 - Holiday Social with Suze Morrison, MPP (NDP-Toronto Centre), from 11 AM – 1 PM at 329 Parliament St, Toronto, M5A 2Z3. Tickets are free. To RSVP, visit: <https://cabbagetownto.com/calendar/mpp-suze-morrison-holiday-social>

Saturday, December 7— Annual Meet & Greet with Bob Bailey, MPP (Sarnia—Lambton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Government and Consumer Services and **Marilyn Gladu**, MP (Sarnia—Lambton) from 10 AM to noon at Lambton Hall, 1390 London Road, Sarnia, N7S 6K4. Attendance is free. RSVP at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2447343738696626/>

Saturday, December 7—Coffee Chat with Mike Schreiner, MPP (Guelph), Ontario Green Party Leader from 3 to 4 PM at Starberry Café Unit 1, 10 Paisley Street, Guelph, N1H 2N6. Attendance is free.

Tuesday, December 10 – Twas The Bite Before Christmas hosted by Rudy Cuzzetto, MPP (Mississauga—Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the President of the Treasury Board (Internal Audit), from 6:30 – 8:30 PM at Brogue Irish Pub, 136 Lakeshore Road East, Mississauga, L5G 1E6. Tickets are \$20. To purchase visit, <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/bite-at-the-brogue-with-rudy-cuzzetto-tickets-82676835641>

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-GuAcp5CcHTfoSbJULDRA1XkT1yt9bCGcdi2t9mpGl6bePNY

Sunday, December 15—Christmas Luncheon with Toby Barrett, MPP (Haldimand—Norfolk), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs from 1 to 3 PM at D&D Restaurant Family Dining, 2091 Main Street North, Jarvis, NOA 1J0. Attendance is free.

Monday, 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: <https://www.facebook.com/events/711221862705107/>

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