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PEO LONDON CHAPTER GLP REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDS TWO NDP MPP EVENTS



PEO London Chapter GLP rep **Raul Moraes**, P.Eng., (right) spoke with NDP Deputy Leader **Peggy Sattler**, MPP (London West) (left) at her New Year's Levee on January 22. She is the Pay Equity, Employment Standards and Democratic Reform Critic. For more, see page 2.

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 89,000 licence and certificate holders, and regulates and advances engineering practice in Ontario to protect the public interest. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment.

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*Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. The next issue of the GLP Weekly will be published on February 7, 2020.

TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. TWO ENGINEERS ATTEND EVENT WITH SCARBOROUGH SOUTHWEST MPP
2. ENGINEERING DIMENSIONS PUBLISHES STORY ABOUT RADIOHEAD RECOMMENDATIONS
3. ONLY THREE WEEKS TO GO UNTIL PEO COUNCIL ELECTION VOTING ENDS

PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON PROGRAM (GLP)

The PEO Government Liaison Program's main objective is to ensure that government, PEO members, and the public continue to recognize PEOs regulatory mandate, in particular its contributions to maintaining the highest level of professionalism among engineers working in the public interest.

The GLP is based on a strong local presence, a legislative framework, and policy and communications support. Some of the many events and activities that the local PEO chapter GLP representatives engage in to develop relationships and further recognition and understanding of PEO's role with local MPPs are profiled in this newsletter.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO LONDON CHAPTER GLP REP ATTENDS TWO NDP EVENTS



Terrence Kernaghan, MPP (London North Centre), NDP Critic LGBTQ Issues Critic, (left) spoke with PEO London Chapter GLP representative **Raul Moraes**, P.Eng., (right) at his New Year's Levee on January 26.

(LONDON) - **Terrence Kernaghan**, MPP (London North Centre), NDP LGBTQ Critic hosted a New Year's Levee on January 26 in London.

Attending was PEO London Chapter GLP representative **Raul Moraes**, P.Eng.

Mr. Moraes discussed the upcoming *Take your MPP to Work Day* at the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority on April 15.

He also attended an event with NDP Deputy Leader **Peggy Sattler**, MPP (London West), Pay Equity, Employment Standards and Democratic Reform Critic.

Both MPP Kernaghan and MPP Sattler are regular participants in PEO London Chapter events and have met Mr. Moraes on multiple occasions.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

TWO ENGINEERS ATTEND EVENT WITH SCARBOROUGH SOUTHWEST MPP



Doly Begum, MPP (NDP—Scarborough Southwest), Deputy Opposition Whip and Early Childhood Critic, (right) spoke with PEO Scarborough Chapter GLP representative **Samuel Jacobs**, P.Eng. (left) at her New Year's Levee on January 25.



PEO Scarborough Chapter GLP Chair **Santosh Gupta**, P.Eng., (right) and his wife **Malti Gupta** (left) spoke with **Doly Begum**, MPP (NDP—Scarborough Southwest), Deputy Opposition Whip and Early Childhood Critic (centre) at her New Year's Levee on January 25.

NDP Deputy Opposition Whip **Doly Begum**, MPP (Scarborough Southwest) hosted a New Year's Levee on January 25.

In attendance were PEO Scarborough Chapter GLP Chair **Santosh Gupta**, P.Eng., his wife **Malti Gupta** and Scarborough Chapter GLP representative **Samuel Jacobs**, P.Eng.

Mr. Gupta discussed current affairs at PEO with MPP Begum and invited her to upcoming chapter events.

MPP Begum worked for the Society of Energy Professionals from July 2017 up until her election in June 2018. She is also the NDP Early Childhood Critic.

Mr. Jacobs presented MPP Begum with a chapter calendar.

He also encouraged her to participate in upcoming chapter events, which were further outlined in the calendar.

ENGINEERING DIMENSIONS PUBLISHES STORY ABOUT RADIOHEAD RECOMMENDATIONS

RADIOHEAD CORONER'S INQUEST RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED BY PEO COUNCIL

By Adam Sidsworth

One month before the engineer involved with the Radiohead temporary stage collapse went before PEO's disciplinary panel, Council considered key recommendations stemming from the coroner's inquest into the death of Radiohead drum technician Scott Johnson.

At its November 15, 2019, meeting, Council voted to publish its *Design Evaluation and Field Review of Demountable Event and Related Structures* practice guideline. The guideline was developed by PEO's Professional Standards Committee over the last three years and began prior to the coroner's April 10, 2019, delivery of its verdict into the death of Johnson. Johnson died on June 16, 2012, when the event's temporary stage collapsed just hours before the band was scheduled to take stage. PEO developed the guideline with consultation from numerous stakeholders, including the Large Municipalities Chief Building Officials, the provincial ministries of Labour and Municipal Affairs, Consulting Engineers of Ontario and the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers.

The guideline sets the best practices for the design evaluation of demountable event structures as defined in the Ontario Building Code and similar structures exempted from it, such as television and movie sets, and structures exempt due to size or height in addition to demountable event structures designed by practitioners for multiple



ADDITIONAL RADIOHEAD MOTIONS

Two additional recommendations stemming from the Radiohead coroner's report were presented at the Council meeting separately from the motion to approve the *Design Evaluation and Field Review*

This article was published in the January/February Issue of *Engineering Dimensions*.

Engineering Dimensions published a story about the Radiohead recommendations that are being considered by PEO Council.

Here are a couple highlights from the PEO Council report covered in the same issue.

"...It was recommended that Council approve a new practice guideline describing best practices for engineering work on demountable structures ... and which was informed by, and reflects lessons learned from, the recommendations of the coroner's inquest."

"At the Council meeting, Council approved this recommendation and directed the registrar to seek amendments to the Professional Engineers Act and take other necessary actions to implement this new process."

To read the full story, click [here](#).

ONLY THREE WEEKS TO GO UNTIL PEO COUNCIL ELECTION VOTING ENDS

PEO began its 2020 council elections last week. Voting is open to all licence holders and can be done easily [online](#) or by phone (1-888-492-4763). The deadline to vote is February 21.

Here are the 2020 Candidates:

PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATES



Nick Colucci

P.Eng., BAsC,
MBA. FEC



Christian Bellini

P.Eng., FEC

VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATES



Darla Campbell

P.Eng., CSR-P



Tim Kirkby

C.E.T., P.Eng., FEC



Gregory Wowchuk

BAsC, Dipl El Tech, P.Eng.

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REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES:

EASTERN REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

(Two— Year Term, Members in Region Vote)



Guy Boone
P.Eng., FEC



Chantal Chiddle
P.Eng., FEC



Arash Imani
P.Eng, PMP, ASQ CSSBB,
CQA

EAST CENTRAL REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

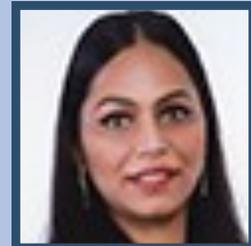
(Two— Year Term, Members in Region Vote)



Christopher Chahine
P.Eng., PMP, SSBBP



Peter Cushman
P.Eng.



Monica Jain
P.Eng., M.Eng.

WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

(Two— Year Term, Members in Region Vote)



Muktar Homam
P.Eng., PhD, MBA



Lisa MacCumber
P.Eng., FEC

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WESTERN REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

(Two-Year Term, Members in Region Vote)



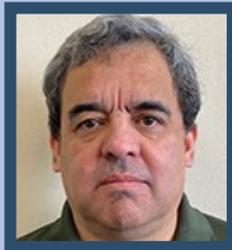
Vivender Adunuri
P.Eng.



Peter John Broad
P.Eng., FEC

NORTHERN REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

(Two-Year term, Members in Region Vote)



Juan Pernia
Ph.D., P.Eng.



Luc R Roberge
P.Eng., FEC

**Councillor—At—Large has
been elected by acclamation**



Michael Chan
P.Eng., FEC

Congratulations to Mr. Chan!

Good luck to all the candidates.

Everyone is encouraged to watch the online election debates

which were conducted on [January 6, 7, 8, and 9.](#)

PEO members are encouraged to stay informed, and vote!

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

This week's question:

Who were the two federally elected Ontario engineers featured in an article in the January/February 2020 issue of Engineering Dimensions?

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, February 3. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Tuesday, February 4—The Power and the Premiers: Three Women Who changes Canadian History with Ontario's Kathleen Wynne, MPP (Don Valley West) from 4:30 to 7 PM at the Sears Atrium, 3rd floor, George Vari Engineering and Computing Centre, 245 Church Street, Toronto, ON, M5B 2K3. To register, visit: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-power-and-the-premiers-ryerson-democracy-forum-tickets-90322576257>

Thursday, February 6—Delivering Major Transit Projects Better and Faster with Hon. Caroline Mulroney, MPP (York-Simcoe), Transportation Minister from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto, ON, M5J 1E3. Tickets are \$89 for members and \$110 for non members. To purchase, visit: <https://www.economicclub.ca/events/display/its-happening-delivering-major-transit-projects-better-and-faster>

Saturday, February 8—Skate with Sara Singh, MPP (Brampton Centre), NDP Deputy Leader and Housing Critic from 2 to 4 PM at Greenbriar Recreation Centre, 1100 Central Park Drive, Brampton, ON, L6S 2C9. Attendance is free. Guests are asked to bring their own skates

Wednesday, February 12—Hon. Stephen Lecce, MPP (King Vaughan), Minister of Education from 11:45 AM to 1:30 PM at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto, ON, M5J 1E3. Tickets are \$85 for members and \$100 for non members. To purchase, visit: <https://www.canadianclub.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?id=3501>

Monday, February 24 – Toronto Region Board of Trade presents Vic Fedeli, MPP (Nipissing), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade from 12 to 1:30 PM at First Canadian Place, 100 King Street West, 4th Floor, Toronto, ON, M5X 1A9. Tickets are \$84 for members and \$104 for non-members. To purchase tickets, visit: <http://bit.ly/319872n>

Saturday, February 29 – Leap Year Celebration with Natalia Kusendova, MPP (Mississauga Centre) from 7 to 11 PM at Fotografia Boutique, 1525 Cornwall Road, Unit 1, Oakville, ON, L6J 0B2. Tickets are \$200 per person. To purchase, visit: <https://mississaugacentre.ontariopc.ca/leap2020>

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