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PEO President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., (right), PEO CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., (left) and **Lindsay Keats**, P.Eng., (centre, left), spoke with **Vic Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade (centre, right) at the PEO 50th Anniversary Engineering Symposium on January 31 in North Bay.

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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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The next issue of the *GLP Weekly* will be published on February 14, 2020.

TOP STORIES THIS WEEK

1. **MPPS PARTICIPATE IN PEO OAKVILLE CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING AND LICENCE CEREMONY**
2. **PEO GLP MANAGER PARTICIPATES IN AN EVENT WITH MISSISSAUGA MPPS**
3. **PEO ELECTION VOTING CLOSES IN TWO WEEKS**

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

RYERSON ENGINEERING SCHOOL HOSTS FORMER PREMIERS



Toronto *Star* columnist **Martin Regg Cohn** moderated a panel on February 4 at Ryerson University with former Premier's **Christy Clark** of British Columbia and **Kathleen Wynne** of Ontario.

Former Premier **Kathleen Wynne**, MPP (Liberal-Don Valley West) participated in a democracy forum at Ryerson University's Engineering School on February 4. The other guest speaker was former British Columbia Premier **Christy Clark**.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**, also attended. Mr. Brown had the chance to speak with MPP Wynne who introduced him to Ms Clark.

The discussion moderator was Toronto *Star* columnist **Martin Regg Cohn**, who was a guest speaker at the PEO Government Relations Conference in October 2018.

During her time as premier and even now MPP Wynne regularly attends PEO Queen's Park days and takes an active interest in PEO issues.

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(NORTH BAY) - PEO's President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng. and CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng., attended the Engineering Symposium 50th anniversary event on January 31 in North Bay.

The guest speaker was **Vic Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, who is a long time supporter of PEO.

He is a regular speaker at the Engineering Symposium and was also the guest speaker at the Northern Region GLP Academy and Congress in North Bay on January 26, 2019.

PEO President-Elect Sterling was featured in the the *North Bay Nugget* with her President-Elect message.

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

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PEO SALUTES NORTH BAY CHAPTER'S 50TH ANNUAL ENGINEERS DAY SYMPOSIUM

Friday, January 31, 2020

An Advertising Feature of the North Bay Nugget published on Tuesday, January 28, 2020
The Thursday Evening Social will be held January 30th at Best Western (700 Lakeshore Dr.) starting at 5 p.m.

Marisa Sterling, P.Eng., F.E.C.
President-elect, Professional Engineers Ontario

Professional engineers and Ontario's smart cities

AS PRESIDENT-ELECT of Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO), I'm honoured to participate in the North Bay Chapter's 50th annual Engineers Day Symposium.

Since the chapter's first symposium in 1970, the event has become an annual tradition aimed at raising local awareness of PEO and professional engineers and celebrating engineering in the north.

The theme of this year's event celebrates a half century of engineering in Northern Ontario, with a look at our past, present and future. Speakers will focus on their organizational/engineering histories in the region and provide a glimpse of their futures, including:

- The Ministry of Transportation looking back at its history connecting Northern Ontario and the development of the TransCanada Highway over the last 50 years;
- Enbridge exploring its evolution in the north in terms of safety, pipeline installation methods, maintenance technologies; as well as a look ahead to the next 50+ years;
- The Canadian Forces will look back at its long history in North Bay, including CFB North Bay's role protecting North American airspace during the Cold War and its massive Underground Complex—an engineering marvel built 60 stories deep in the Canadian Shield and built to withstand a nuclear attack; and
- Ontario Northland will explore the last 50 years of northern railways and its hopes for the future—including possible renewed prospects servicing potential Ring of Fire industries.

All of these organizations, and many others, have a proud engineering history in the north. Their work shows how engineering ingenuity and an engineer's duty to protect the public have benefited society. From building and maintaining transportation and energy networks, creating resource extraction technologies and jobs, to protecting Canada's

renewable natural gas, virtual pipelines and emerging technology to lower carbon emissions;

sovereignty, the work of the professional engineers involved in these projects aligns with their professional commitment to enhance people's quality of life, health, safety and well-being, and to protect the environment. This is the fundamental role of the professional engineer: safeguarding the public good through quality work based on sound professional ethics and standards of practice.

And, as the regulator of the engineering profession in Ontario, it's PEO's role to oversee the professional engineers who undertake this important work. For almost a century, PEO has regulated the practice of engineering in Ontario—assuring the public that licensed practitioners are competent to practise in their chosen discipline, and that they are responsible for the outcomes of their work.

As PEO nears its own milestone anniversary—we'll be marking our 100th anniversary in 2022—we're taking steps to ensure that we're effectively fulfilling our mandate into the next century. In 2019, PEO

received the results of an external regulatory performance review intended to identify any gaps between our current practices and the process, procedures and policies exhibited by the best regulators. The final report provides 15 recommendations on how to improve our regulatory performance across our core functions: licensing and registration; complaints, discipline, compliance and enforcement; and professional standards. PEO Council has committed to addressing all the recommendations.

The work will strengthen both PEO and its licence holders and will bolster the profession in Ontario—just as Ontario's north has been enhanced through the dedicated efforts of its resident professional engineers.

PEO is proud of the role its licence holders—both here in Northern Ontario and across the province—play in their local communities and economies: creating safe and quality infrastructure, raising living standards, and creating wealth, jobs and opportunities for all Ontarians.

PEO President-Elect **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., was featured in the *North Bay Nugget* with her President-Elect message.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

MPPS PARTICIPATE IN PEO OAKVILLE CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING AND LICENCE CEREMONY



MPPs **Stephen Crawford** (Oakville), **Parm Gill** (Milton) and **Effie Traintafilopoulos** (Oakville North-Burlington) participated in the PEO Oakville Chapter 2020 AGM and Winter Licence Presentation Ceremony held on January 23.

Also in attendance was Milton Mayor **Gordon Krantz** (front row, centre left).

(MILTON) - The PEO Oakville Chapter held its 2020 AGM and Winter Licence Presentation Ceremony on January 23 at the Rattle Snake Point Golf Club in Milton.

MPPs **Stephen Crawford** (Oakville), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Infrastructure, **Parm Gill** (Milton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and **Effie Triantafilopoulos** (Oakville North-Burlington), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Long-Term Care, participated in the event.

Also attending were Milton Mayor **Gordon Krantz**, Regional Councillors **Colin Best** (Ward 1) and **Zeeshan Hamid** (Ward 4), Town Councillor **Sameera Ali** (Ward 4) and Oakville Regional and Town Councillor **Tom Adams** (Ward 6).

There were 22 new licence recipients. A new Chapter Executive was also elected.

Other PEO attendees included PEO West Central Councillor **Lisa MacCumber**, P.Eng. and PEO Council Candidates **Nick Colucci**, P.Eng., and **Darla Campbell**, P.Eng.



Stephen Crawford, MPP (Oakville) (left), Councillor **Tom Adams** (right) and Oakville Chapter Chair **Parisa Mahdian**, P.Eng. (centre, left) with a new licence recipient.

The Oakville Chapter has always been involved with the community, engaged with local politicians and continue to raise awareness of PEO and Professional Engineers in the area.

EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO GLP MANAGER PARTICIPATES IN AN EVENT WITH MISSISSAUGA MAYOR AND MPPs



PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs, **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., (left) spoke with **Natalia Kusendova**, MPP (Mississauga Centre) (right) in an event for Mississauga Mayor **Bonnie Crombie** on February 4.

(MISSISSAUGA) - PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs, **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., had the chance to speak to three MPPs at an event in Mississauga on February 4. They were:

- **Rudy Cuzzetto**, MPP (Mississauga—Lakeshore), Parliamentary Assistant to the President of the Treasury Board,
- **Sheref Sabawy**, MPP (Mississauga— Erin Mills), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries
- **Natalia Kusendova**, MPP (Mississauga Centre)

Ms. Chau and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**, discussed with MPP Sabawy and MPP Kusendova the opportunity to participate in the upcoming Mississauga Chapter events.

PEO ELECTION VOTING CLOSES IN TWO WEEKS

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



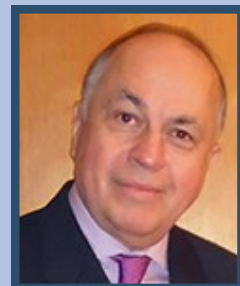
Darla Campbell

P.Eng., CSR-P



Tim Kirkby

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



Gregory Wowchuk

BAsC, Dipl EI Tech, P.Eng.

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REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES:

EASTERN REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

(Two— Year Term, Members in Region Vote)



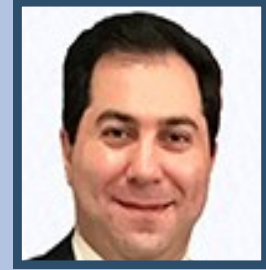
Guy Boone

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.

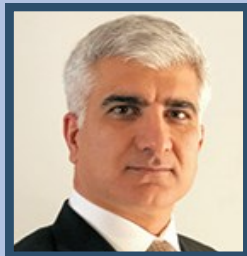


Monica Jain

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:

Which MPPs New Year's Levee did the PEO Scarborough Chapter participate in on January 25?

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



UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

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

Sunday, February 9— Family Day Skate with Green Party Leader Mike Schreiner, MPP (Guelph) from 3 to 5 PM at Victoria Road Recreation Centre, 151 Victoria Road North, Guelph, ON, N1E 5H4. Attendance is free. To register visit: <https://www.facebook.com/events/victoria-road-recreation-centre-guelph/mpp-schreiner-family-skate/576575756518124/>

Wednesday, February 12—Education Minister, Stephen Lecce, MPP (King Vaughan), will speak at the Canadian Club of Toronto 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 17— Family Day Skate with MPPs Doug Downey (Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte), Attorney General, and **Andrea Khanjin** (Barrie-Innisfil) from 1 to 3 PM at the Holly Community Centre, 171 Mapleton Ave, Barrie, ON, L4N 8T6. Attendance is free. To register visit: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/family-day-skate-with-your-barrie-mpps-tickets-90229774685>

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>. This is a party fundraiser and neither PEO nor any other association, company or union are allowed to donate. Only individuals may.

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