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# FINANCE MINISTER RELEASES FALL ECONOMIC STATEMENT



Finance Minister **Peter Bethlenfalvy**, MPP (Pickering-Uxbridge) (left) delivered Ontario's Fall Economic Statement on November 4. Here he is with PEO Lake Ontario Chapter Chair **Manraj Pannu**, P.Eng. (right) at an event in 2019.

The province's Fall Economic Statement titled *2021 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review: Build Ontario* was released by Finance Minister **Peter Bethlenfalvy**, MPP (Pickering-Uxbridge) on November 4.

On November 17, the Canadian Club of Toronto will host Minister Bethlenfalvy for a breakfast. Over 200 are currently registered. For details, click [here](#).

The Government is projecting a deficit this fiscal year of \$21.5 billion. It is less than the \$33.1 billion projection from the budget, due to high tax revenues and strong economic growth.

Here is an excerpt from the statement: "the province's recovery will be driven by sustained economic growth that will lead to job creation and greater prosperity. While the government can create the conditions for growth, it will ultimately be the people of Ontario who step forward to unleash the province's full potential."

Given the uncertainty as the province continues to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ministry of Finance has developed faster growth and slower growth scenarios to prepare the public for the different paths to economic recovery.

Minister Bethlenfalvy met with PEO Lake Ontario Chapter Chair **Manraj Pannu**, P.Eng. at an Economic Club of Canada event in 2019. For a link to the entire economic statement update, click [here](#).

# PEO WILLOWDALE THORNHILL CHAPTER MEMBER ATTENDS MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER PREMIER



A memorial service was held for Ontario's 18th Premier **William Davis** (right) at Roy Thomson Hall on November 4. With him in this file photo from the 1980s is then Attorney General **Roy McMurtry** (left). PHOTO CREDIT: Toronto.com

A memorial service for Ontario's 18th Premier **William Davis** was held at Roy Thomson Hall on November 4. He passed away in August.

Over 400 prominent politicians and residents attended including former Premiers **Dalton McGuinty, Ernie Eves, Mike Harris,** and **David Peterson** as well as former Prime Minister **Brian Mulroney**. Speakers included Prime Minister **Justin Trudeau** and Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North). TVO's **Steve Paikin**, who is a former winner of the PEO President's Award, moderated the event.

Also attending were former PEO Willowdale Thornhill Chapter Chair **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng. and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

During Mr. Davis' time as Premier from 1971 to 1985, he played a role in amending the *Professional Engineers Act*, which made significant changes to the regulation of the practice of engineering.

Mr. Lwin and Mr. Brown had a chance to speak to a number of dignitaries afterwards including former Premier McGuinty, former Minister of Colleges and Universities **Reza Moridi**, and **David Lindsay** who served as Deputy Minister for a variety of portfolios including Energy and Infrastructure, Northern Development, Mines, and Forestry, and Natural Resources.



Former Willowdale Thornhill Chapter Chair **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng. (centre) with **David Lindsay** (left), former Deputy Minister at the **William Davis** memorial service. With them in the photo is **Shelley Brown** (right) who is seeking the Liberal nomination in York Centre.

# EIGHT MPPS ANNOUNCE THEY WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION



MPP Fee



MPP Hatfield



MPP Martow



MPP Miller



MPP Nicholls



MPP Park



MPP Wilson



MPP Wynne

Eight MPPs have announced that they will not run in the next provincial election on or before June 2, 2022, including (in alphabetical order by surname):

- **Amy Fee**, MPP (Kitchener South-Hespeler), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services (Children and Autism)
- **Percy Hatfield**, MPP (Windsor - Tecumseh), NDP Critic for OLG and Horse Racing
- **Gila Martow**, MPP (Thornhill), former Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Francophone Affairs
- **Norm Miller**, MPP (Parry Sound—Muskoka), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs
- **Rick Nicholls**, MPP (Chatham-Kent-Leamington), former Deputy Speaker
- **Lindsey Park**, MPP (Durham), former Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General
- **Jim Wilson**, MPP (Simcoe-Grey), former Minister of various portfolios
- **Kathleen Wynne**, MPP (Don Valley West), former Premier

Each of the MPPs has been an active participant in PEO activities.

For example, MPPs Park and Martow spoke at the 2018 and 2019 PEO Queen's Park receptions respectively and MPPs Wilson and Nicholls spoke respectively at PEO's Western Region GLP Academies and Congresses in Collingwood and Chatham.

# MEET YOUR MPP

This week, the *GLP Weekly Times* features **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (Hamilton Centre), Leader of the Official Opposition and NDP Critic for Intergovernmental Affairs and **Jeremy Roberts** (Ottawa West—Nepean), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services.

## ANDREA HORWATH, MPP



NDP Leader **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (Hamilton Centre) (centre) at the PEO Government Relations Conference in 2016 with then President George Comrie, P.Eng., (left), and then PEO Government Liason Committee (GLC) Chair **Darla Campbell**, P.Eng., (right).

**Andrea Horwath**, MPP (NDP - Hamilton Centre) was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2004. She became Leader of the New Democratic Party in 2007. She is the NDP Critic for Intergovernmental Affairs.

Prior to being elected, MPP Horwath served on Hamilton City Council for three terms. MPP Horwath holds a degree in Labour Studies from McMaster University. She has been an active participant in PEO events and was a guest speaker at the PEO annual Government Relations Conferences in 2016, 2018, and 2020.

**Jeremy Roberts** (PC - Ottawa West—Nepean) was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2018. He is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services. Prior to being elected, MPP Roberts served as an advisor to former federal Ministers **Jim Flaherty**, **Joe Oliver**, and **Rona Ambrose**.

He holds a degree in Political Science from Carleton University and a Master of Public Policy from the University of Oxford. He shared remarks for PEO Ottawa Chapter's Annual General Meeting in February.

## JEREMY ROBERTS, MPP



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*If you would like your MPP featured, let us know!*

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Minister Calandra is the Government House Leader and Minister of Legislative Affairs.

He was featured in an interview with the [GLP Weekly Times](#) in August.

Also participating in the call were **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., PEO Manager of Government Liaison Programs and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

The PEO delegation had an excellent conversation with Minister Calandra on PEO's mandate, the different engineering organizations, and a discussion of Bill 27, the *Working for Workers Act*, which proposes that regulated professions should be prohibited from including Canadian experience requirements.

Minister Calandra provided the Chapter with contact information and invited them to stay in touch in order to help facilitate the relationship with PEO and the Government.

He was invited to the Chapter's Annual General Meeting, licensing certificate ceremonies, and Take Your MPP to Work Days. It is important for PEO Chapters to maintain relationships with their MPP to ensure that PEO's perspective is heard.

# GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

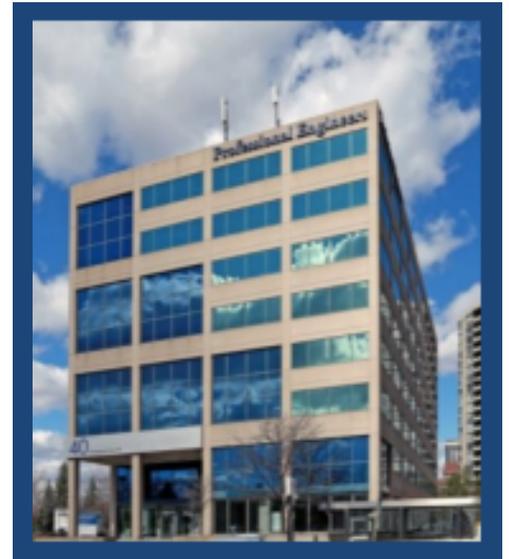
There was no winner of last week's question, so the *GLP Weekly Times* has chosen a new question.

**This week's question: Who attended an event with Minister of Long-Term Care, Rod Phillips, MPP (Ajax) and Effie Triantafilopoulos, MPP (Oakville North—Burlington) on October 13?**

**Join the Contest:** Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly Times* with our weekly trivia question!

Send your answers to **Emily Binkley** at [emily@brown-cohen.com](mailto:emily@brown-cohen.com) by Monday, November 15.

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



## UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

**Wednesday, November 17 from 5:30 to 8 PM – Annual PC Party Women in Politics (PCWIP) Event** at the Albany Club, 91 King St East. Tickets are \$50. To register, click [here](#).

**Wednesday, November 17th from 7:15 to 9 AM - Breakfast: with Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance “Our Plan to Build Ontario”** at the Fairmont Royal York. Tickets are \$115. To register, click [here](#).

**Monday, November 22 from 6:30 to 8 PM — An Evening with Liberal Leader, Steven Del Duca.** Tickets are \$1000. To register, click [here](#).

*\*Please note that PEO cannot cover the cost of these events.*

**Every Friday—Virtual Coffee Hour with Teresa Armstrong, MPP (London-Fanshawe), NDP Children and Youth Critic** from 3 to 4 PM. To register, visit: <https://www.teresaarmstrong.com/coffeehour>

**Every Saturday—Coffee with your MPP** hosted by **Faisal Hassan, MPP (York-South Weston), NDP Critic for Youth Opportunities** from 3 to 4 PM. To tune in live, visit: <https://www.facebook.com/FaisalHassanNDP/>

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Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. The next issue will be published on November 19, 2021.

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