

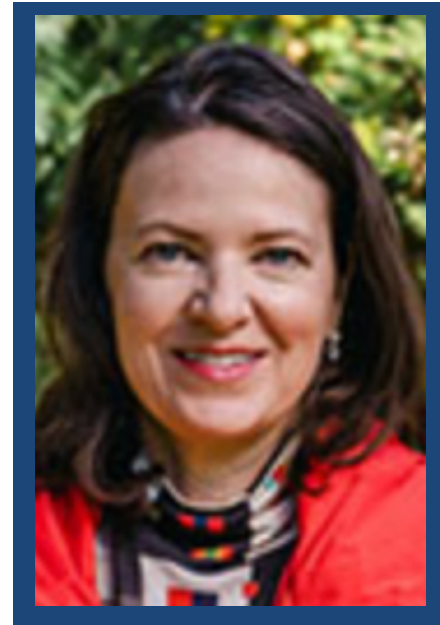


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**Andrew Dowie**, P.Eng., MPP (Windsor-Tecumseh) (left), **Kristyn Wong-Tam**, MPP (Toronto Centre) (centre) and **Stephanie Bowman**, MPP (Don Valley West) (right) are speaking at today's PEO GLP training event in Mississauga.

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A number of high-profile guest speakers are speaking at the event, including MPPs, the Ontario Fairness Commissioner, as well as government relations and communications professionals.

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## PEO EAST TORONTO CHAPTER MEETS WITH NDP CRITIC FOR TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION



PEO East Toronto Chapter GLP Chair **Omid Sadeghi**, EIT, (right) met virtually with **Chris Glover**, MPP (Spadina-Fort York) NDP Critic for Technology, Development and Innovation and Small Business (left) on October 7. This photo was taken at a previous meeting in 2020.

PEO representatives had the opportunity to meet virtually with **Chris Glover**, MPP (Spadina-Fort York) on October 7. MPP Glover is the NDP Critic for Small Business as well as Technology, Development and Innovation.

PEO representatives included East Toronto Chapter Chair **Omid Sadeghi**, EIT and Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**. They discussed the *Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act (FARPACKTA)*, continuing professional development, and upcoming chapter events. They also discussed the 2022 GLP training event about which MPP Glover offered to encourage his colleague **Kristyn Wong-Tam**, MPP (Toronto Centre) to participate.

MPP Glover has shown his support for PEO's East Toronto Chapter in the past, including participating as a guest speaker in the chapter's licence certificate ceremony in May 2021.

## MPP PARTICIPATES IN NINTH ANNUAL WINDSOR BRIDGE BUSTING COMPETITION



MPP **Andrew Dowie**, P.Eng., (Windsor-Tecumseh) (centre) announcing winning student at the PEO Windsor Chapter Bridge competition on October 1. The event was hosted by **Asif Khan** P. Eng., (right).

WINDSOR - PEO Windsor-Essex Chapter hosted their ninth annual competition and Innovation Station in Windsor on October 1. Participants included MPP **Andrew Dowie**, P.Eng., (Windsor-Tecumseh), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, as well as representatives from the University of Windsor Faculty of Engineering and St. Clair College.

This event is the brain child of Windsor-Essex Chapter GLP Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., who is also the vice chair of the PEO Government Liaison Committee. The event hasn't been hosted for the last two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

MPP Dowie, who is also a former vice chair of the PEO Government Liaison Committee, was invited to speak to the aspiring future engineers and give awards in the morning session.

This community event brought together students and parents from school boards across the city, competing to see who could build the strongest popsicle stick bridge. The goal of this event was to engage youth in STEM, inspiring the next generation of future engineers in Windsor-Essex.

Engineering activities at this event included bridge busting, live 3D printing, model plane building using 3D printed parts, button making, science displays from Canada South Science City and a robot show from Sandwich Secondary (FIRST Team 772).

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MISSISSAUGA - Today, over 60 PEO GLP reps from across the province gathered in Mississauga for the first in-person GLP training in three years.

Guest speakers included Ontario's Fairness Commissioner **Irwin Glasberg**, three MPPs, York-Seneca professor **Hershell Ezrin**, and internationally recognized specialist in the art of communication, **Karen Donaldson**.

The MPPs included:

- **Andrew Dowie**, P.Eng., MPP (Windsor-Tecumseh), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade,
- **Kristyn Wong-Tam**, MPP (Toronto Centre), NDP critic for the Attorney General and for 2SLGBTQ+ Issues, and
- **Stephanie Bowman**, MPP (Don Valley West), Liberal critic for Finance; Infrastructure; and Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

Also speaking about Mandatory Continuing Professional Development is PEO Professional Development Lead **Arden Heerah**, P.Eng.

The organizing committee includes GLC Chair **Jeffrey Lee**, P.Eng., GLC Vice Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., GLC member **Tracy Garner**, P.Eng., Hamilton-Burlington Chapter GLP Chair **Mike Bell**, P.Eng., Kingsway Chapter GLP Chair **Steve Favell**, P.Eng., North Bay Chapter GLP Chair **Donovan Rainbow**, P.Eng., PEO Chapter Coordinator **Julie Hamilton**, and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

# MEET YOUR MPPS

This week, the PEO *GLP Weekly Times* features one newly elected MPP, **Trevor Jones**, MPP (Chatham-Kent—Leamington) and **Bhutila Karpoche**, MPP (Parkdale-High Park), so PEO licence holders can get to know their representatives.

For a full list of MPPs, [click here](#).

## TREVOR JONES, MPP



**Trevor Jones**, MPP  
(Chatham-Kent—  
Leamington)

**Trevor Jones** represents the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario. He is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

Prior to his election to the Legislature in 2022, MPP Jones served his community for over 20 years as a police officer and most recently as a municipal councillor in Leamington. MPP Jones is a member of the Standing Committee's on Justice Policy and Government Agencies.

## BHUTILA KARPOCHE, MPP

**Bhutila Karpoche** is a member of the New Democratic Party and was the first person of Tibetan heritage to be elected to public office in North America in 2018. She serves as her party's critic for Childhood Development, Child Care, and GTA Issues. She was voted best MPP by *Now Magazine* in 2019, 2020 and 2021, and was voted Toronto's best politician in 2019 by Toronto Star readers.

Prior to her election to the legislature, she worked for her predecessor **Cheri DiNovo**, first in her constituency office, then as her executive assistant at Queen's Park.

MPP Karpoche has a Bachelor of Science from the University of British Columbia and she holds a Masters of Public Health in Epidemiology from University of Toronto's Dalla Lana School of Public Health.



**Bhutila Karpoche**, MPP  
(Parkdale-High Park)

# GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to PEO Oakville Chapter's **Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

**Last week's question:** Who was the guest speaker at the 549th PEO Council meeting held on September 23?

**This week's question:** Which MPPs attended the PEO Lake Ontario Chapter licence presentation ceremony on September 23?

**Join the Contest:** Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly Times* with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to Howard Brown at [howard@brown-cohen.com](mailto:howard@brown-cohen.com) by Monday, October 24.

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



**Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's Trivia Contest.

## UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

**Monday, October 31 from 7:15 to 9am - Breakfast** with Finance Minister **Peter Bethlenfalvy**, MPP (Pickering-Uxbridge). Location: The Fairmont Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St W, Toronto. In-person tickets: \$115. To register, [click here](#).

**Thursday, November 3 from 12 to 2 pm - A Power Lunch** with Energy Minister **Todd Smith**, MPP (Bay of Quinte). Location: Hyatt Regency Toronto, 370 King St. W, Toronto. In-person tickets: \$99. To register, [click here](#).

**Monday, November 21 - Virtual Women's Breakfast** featuring **Sandy Shaw**, MPP NDP — (Hamilton—Ancaster—Dundas) and **Mary Margaret McMahon**, MPP Liberal — (Beaches-East York). Cost: \$40. To register, [click here](#).

**Tuesday, November 22 - Environment Industry Day** featuring **David Piccini**, MPP (Northumberland-Peterborough South) Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, and **Parm Gill**, MPP (Milton) Minister of Red Tape Reduction. Location: Charbonnel Lounge - St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto. Cost: Tickets \$400. To register, [click here](#).

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Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. Our next issue is October 28.

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