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PEO outgoing CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng (left) was thanked during the PEO Council meeting on January 27 for his years of service. PEO President **Nick Colucci**, P.Eng (right) welcomed new CEO/Registrar **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng (centre).

PEO COUNCIL GIVES FOND FAREWELL TO OUTGOING CEO/REGISTRAR

PEO Council met on January 27 and bid farewell to outgoing CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng. Mr. Zuccon has been with PEO for over 30 years. Councillors thanked Mr. Zuccon for his service, and welcomed a new CEO/Registrar, **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng.

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PEO WORKING TO COMPLY ON THE REVISED FAIR ACCESS TO REGULATED PROFESSIONS AND COMPULSORY TRADES ACT AND MANDATORY PEAK

PEO Council met in a Plenary session on January 27 at PEO headquarters. This was the first meeting of 2023, and was chaired by PEO President **Nick Colucci**, P.Eng.

Council reviewed the governance roadmap and Phase 4 of the Risk Assessment Process. It looked at ways that the Order of Honour recipients were selected. It also reviewed PEO chapter activities and non-chapter activities that were “neither” regulatory or non-regulatory.

Council also discussed the next steps in working to comply with the *Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act* (FARPACTA) and implementing Mandatory PEAK Program.

PEAK is the professional evaluation and knowledge program, which has been an optional program for the last several years and was made mandatory on January 1, 2023.

Ontario Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, **Monte McNaughton**, MPP (Lambton—Kent—Middlesex) introduced the revised FARPACTA legislation in September 2021, and PEO is one of the regulated professions expected to comply with that legislation by July 1, 2023. The original FARPACTA legislation was introduced in 2006.

As reported on page 1, this was the final meeting for outgoing CEO/Registrar **Johnny Zuccon**, P.Eng.



MPP **Monte McNaughton** (Lambton—Kent—Middlesex) introduced the revised FARPACTA legislation in September 2021.

PEO SCARBOROUGH CHAPTER PARTICIPATES IN SENIORS AND ACCESSIBILITY MINISTER'S LUNAR CELEBRATION



Raymond Cho, MPP (Scarborough North) (centre-right) held a Lunar New Year Celebration on January 28. Also in the photo are PEO Scarborough Chapter (left to right) Chair **Samuel Jacob**, P. Eng., Vice Chair **Santosh Gupta**, P. Eng., and Past Chair **Peng-Zhang**, P.Eng.

PEO Scarborough Chapter participated in the Lunar Year Celebration of Minister of Seniors and Accessibility **Raymond Cho**, MPP (Scarborough North).

Three Scarborough Chapter licence holders participated including **Samuel Jacob**, P. Eng. Chair, Vice Chair **Santosh Gupta**, P. Eng., and Past Chair **Peng Zhang**, P.Eng.

MPP Cho is Ontario's Minister of Seniors and Accessibility. He regularly attends PEO events, and is a former City of Toronto and City of Scarborough Councillor. Mr. Gupta is a former PEO Councillor.

Mr. Gupta told *GLP Weekly* that they advised the Minister that "our Chapter supports the Government's *Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act* (FARPACTA) initiative, and that PEO is working hard to modify its Licensing Process to align it with the requirements of FARPACTA." The Minister said he appreciated PEO's efforts.

ONTARIO LOSES TWO POLITICAL ICONS



PEO President **Nick Colucci**, P.Eng (left) had a chance to speak with former Mississauga Mayor, **Hazel McCallion** (centre-front) at the Association Municipalities Annual Conference in Ottawa on August 15, 2022. Also in the photo are **Nelson Edwards** (centre-back), City of Ottawa Landscape Architect and former City of Waterloo Councillor, **Angela Vieth**, P.Eng (right).

PEO and Ontario have lost two champions.

On January 29, former Mississauga Mayor **Hazel McCallion** passed away at the age of 101. She was a former recipient of PEO's President's Award. She served for 36 years as Mayor of Canada's seventh largest city, and left office in November 2014. She regularly participated in PEO Mississauga chapter events. Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North), recently appointed Ms. McCallion as chair of the Greenbelt Council.

On January 14, former Ontario Lieutenant Governor **David Onley** (photo right) passed away at the age of 72. He served in his post from 2007 to 2014. He was proud of his position as the first person with a physical disability to serve in this role.

He had a long time interest in engineering issues having launched his career working as a researcher at Queen's Park, and later served as a host of a daily technology program on CP24. PEO representatives occasionally had a chance to meet Mr. Onley after Speech for the Throne receptions at Queen's Park, and at other community events.



WATCH THE WEBCASTS OF THE PEO COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Twenty candidates have put their names forward for 9 positions for PEO Council this year. Voting by internet and telephone closes on **February 21 at 10 a.m.** Seven debates were held and are now available on the PEO website.

PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATES



Fred Saghezchi, P.Eng. Marilyn D. Spink, P.Eng. Greg Wowchuk, P.Eng.

The President-elect debate was held on January 6. See webcast [here](#).

VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATES



Christopher Chahine, P.Eng. Abhishek Gupta, P.Eng.

The Vice-President debate was held on January 5. See webcast [here](#).

COUNCILLOR AT LARGE CANDIDATES



Chantal Chiddle, P.Eng. Sardar Asif Khan, P.Eng. Leila Notash, P.Eng. Glen Schjerning, P.Eng.

The Councillor at Large debate was held on January 5. See webcast [here](#).

REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES



Victor Lan, P.Eng.



Nanda Lwin, P.Eng.



**Daryoush Mortazavi,
P.Eng.**

The East Central Regional debate was held on January 4. See webcast [here](#).

EASTERN REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES



Michelle Liu, P.Eng.



Joseph Podrebarac, P.Eng.



Randy Walker, P.Eng.

The Eastern Regional debate was held on January 4. See webcast [here](#).

WESTERN REGIONAL CANDIDATES



Susan MacFarlane, P.Eng.



Kris Popiolek, P.Eng.

The Western Regional debate was held on January 4. See webcast [here](#).

PEO COUNCIL CANDIDATES

NORTHERN REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES



Ahmed Elsaid Elshaer, P.Eng.



Luc R. Roberge, P.Eng.

The Northern Regional debate was held on January 3. See webcast [here](#).

WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCILLOR (ACCLAIMED)



Ravinder Singh Panesar, P.Eng.

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Good luck to all the candidates.
PEO licence holders are encouraged
to stay informed, and vote!

MEET YOUR MPPS

This week, the PEO *GLP Weekly Times* features Hon. **Neil Lumsden**, MPP (Hamilton East-Stoney Creek) and **Guy Bourgouin**, MPP (Mushkegowuk—James Bay) so PEO licence holders can get to know their representatives. For a full list of MPPs, click [here](#).

HON. NEIL LUMSDEN, MPP



Hon. **Neil Lumsden**, MPP (Hamilton East-Stoney Creek)

Hon. **Neil Lumsden**, MPP is the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport for the Province of Ontario. Minister Lumsden was elected in the June 2022 election and named to Cabinet later that month.

He had a decorated football career with both the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and Edmonton Eskimos (presently Elks). He won three Grey Cups and the Dick Sauderman trophy for being the best player on the gridiron in the 1981 Cup final.

GUY BOURGOUIN, MPP

Guy Bourgouin was one of three MPPs of Indigenous heritage elected to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario in the 2018 provincial election. He was re-elected in 2022 and is currently the NDP Critic for both the Forestry and Francophone Affairs Ministries.

Born in Dubreuilville of Métis descent, MPP Bourgouin worked for 22 years with the United Steelworkers, including 15 years as President of the Local Union. As an MPP, he previously served as the Critic for the Training, Apprenticeship and Trade portfolios.



MPP **Guy Bourgouin** (Mushkegowuk—James Bay)

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to PEO Scarborough Chapter's **Santosh Gupta**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Last week's question: Which professional engineer is the new mayor of the Township of Amaranth in the constituency of Deputy Premier and Health Minister Sylvia Jones?

Answer: Chris Gerrits, P.Eng.

This week's question: What former PEO President's Award winner passed away January 29?

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 by Monday, February 6.

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



Santosh Gupta, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's Trivia Contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Wednesday, February 8 - Transportation Minister Caroline Mulroney, MPP (York-Simcoe) to speak at the Annual Transportation Symposium of the Toronto Region Board of Trade

Time: 11:30 A.M. - 5 P.M. (Minister Mulroney will speak at 1:05 P.M.)

Location: 100 Queens Quay East. Tickets cost \$150. To register please see [here](#).

Thursday, February 9 - Two Women in Power: Still Fighting for Fairness - Toronto Metropolitan University Hosts Event With Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity Charmaine Williams MPP (Brampton Centre) and the Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Youth Marci Ien MP (Toronto Centre) Moderated by Martin Regg Cohn.

Time: 2 -3 P.M. Location: Sears Atrium, 3rd Floor George Vari Engineering & Computing Centre 245 Church St. Toronto, ON M5B 2K3. To register please see [here](#).

Sunday, February 26 - Solicitor General Michael Kerzer, MPP's (York Centre) Family Skating Party

Time: 3:15 - 4:45 P.M. Location: Chesswood Arena, 4000 Chesswood Drive, North York, ON M3J 2B9

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Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. Our next issue is February 10.

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