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PEO LGA Councillor **Paul Mandel** met **Kevin Holland**, MPP (Thunder Bay—Atikokan) (centre-left) and **Laura Smith**, MPP (Thornhill) (centre-right) at a Toronto community event on June 8.

## NEW PEO LGA COUNCILLOR MEETS MPPS

PEO Lieutenant Governor Appointed (LGA) Councillor **Paul Mandel** had a chance to meet and speak with a number of MPPs at a community event in Toronto on June 8. Mr. Mandel was recently appointed by the Government of Ontario to PEO Council as a public representative. He is also a Chartered Professional Accountant.

He spoke with Colleges and Universities Minister **Jill Dunlop**, MPP (Simcoe North), Deputy Government Whip **Todd McCarthy**, MPP (Durham), **Laura Smith**, MPP (Thornhill) and **Kevin Holland**, MPP (Thunder Bay-Atikokan). He explained his role as a PEO Lay Councillor to each. For more on the story, see page 2.

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PEO LGA Councillor **Paul Mandel** (right) spoke with **Todd McCarthy**, MPP (Durham) (centre-right), his wife (centre) and other community members at the event on June 8.

As reported on page 1 of this week's *GLP Weekly Times*, PEO Councillor **Paul Mandel** had a chance to meet with a number of MPPs and discuss various PEO regulatory issues, as well as his role as a Lay Councillor.

PEO Government Relations consultant **Howard Brown** also participated in the event and spoke at length with other MPPs such as the new NDP leader **Marit Stiles** MPP (Davenport).



**Marit Stiles**, MPP (Davenport)



PEO LGA Councillor **Paul Mandel** (right) and PEO Government Relations consultant **Howard Brown** (left) met Colleges and Universities Minister **Jill Dunlop** MPP (Simcoe North) (centre) at June 8 event. Minister Dunlop has been a guest speaker at Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter events and a recent PEO Student Conference.



## PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR WINS WINDSOR- ESSEX ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



Windsor-Essex County Engineer of the Year award was presented to PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng. during the 40th Annual Engineering Month Luncheon held on March 31.

**WINDSOR** — PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng. was awarded the prestigious title of Windsor-Essex County Engineer of the Year award during the 40th Annual Engineering Month Luncheon held on March 31.

Mr. Khan told the *GLP Weekly Times* that the "recognition received from [his] fellow engineers and industry leaders for [his] significant contributions to the advancement of the engineering profession was a tremendous honour for [him]."

On June 1, he met with Ontario Premier **Doug Ford** and other MPPs at an event in Windsor.



PEO Government Liaison Committee Vice Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng. (left) met with Ontario Premier **Doug Ford** (right) at a Windsor event on June 1.

## THORNHILL MPP PARTICIPATES IN PEO LICENCE PRESENTATION CEREMONY

**THORNHILL** — PEO Willowdale/Thornhill Chapter held their Licence Presentation Ceremony at Thornhill Golf Club on May 26.

**Laura Smith**, MPP (Thornhill) was the guest speaker at the ceremony.

She is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport.

Chapter GLP Chair **Fred Saghezchi**, P.Eng provided an update to *GLP Weekly Times*.

He said that MPP Smith congratulated the 40 new recipients and shared that her own son recently completed an engineering degree.

She expressed her appreciation for the responsibilities carried out by professional engineers.

Also in attendance were PEO Vice President **Christopher Chahine**, P.Eng. and East Central Region Councillor **Nanda Lwin**, P.Eng.

MPP Smith regularly meets with PEO representatives and attends Chapter events.



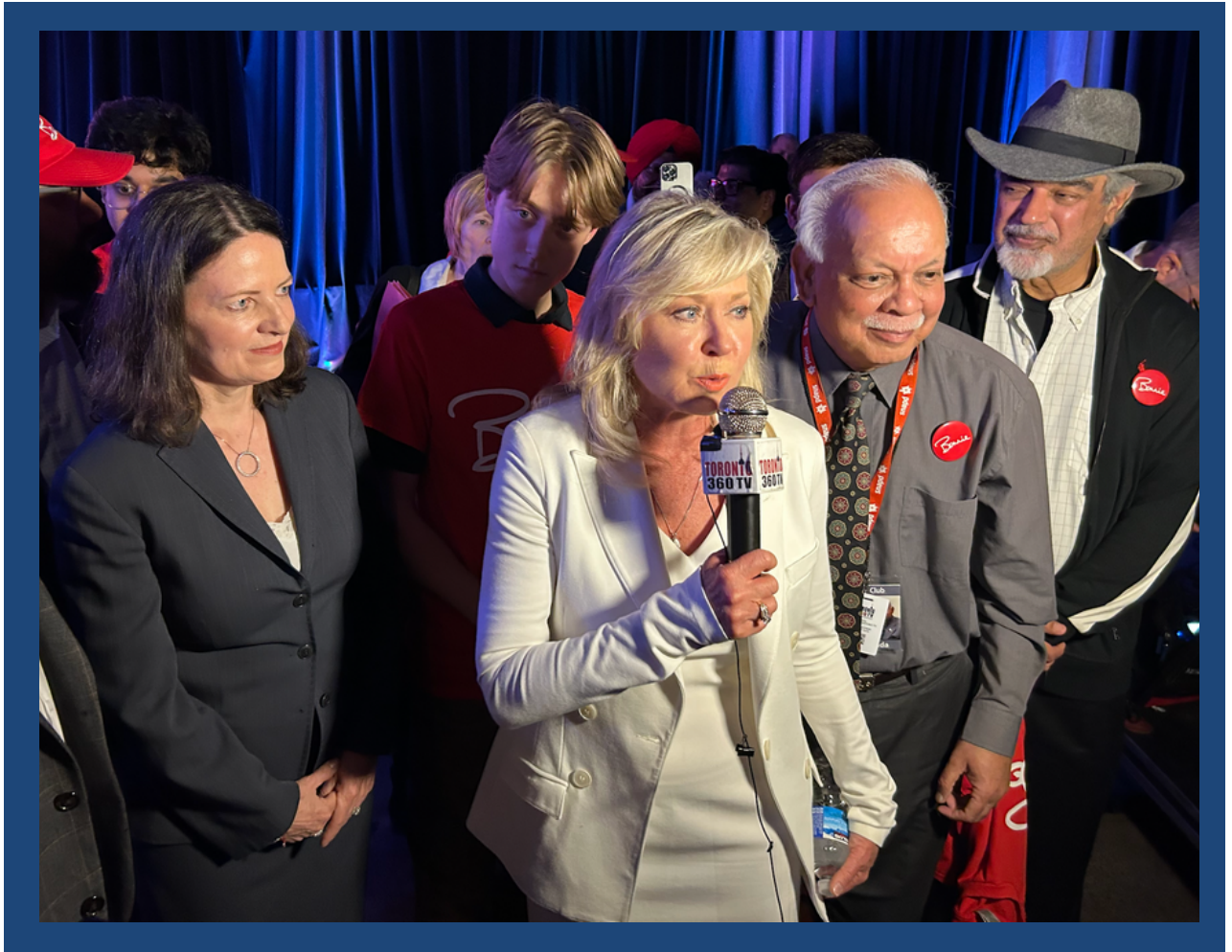
**Laura Smith**, MPP (Thornhill) (left) met with **Fred Saghezchi**, P.Eng. (right) during the PEO Willodale/Thornhill Chapter Licence Presentation Ceremony at Thornhill Golf Club on May 26.



**Laura Smith**, MPP (Thornhill) speaking at the event on May 26.



## MISSISSAUGA MAYOR DECLARES FOR ONTARIO LIBERAL LEADERSHIP



**Stephanie Bowman**, MPP (Don Valley West) (left) with Mississauga Mayor **Bonnie Crombie** (centre) at Mayor Crombie's kick off for the Liberal leadership on June 12.

**MISSISSAUGA** — Mississauga Mayor **Bonnie Crombie** has officially registered to run for the leadership of the Ontario Liberal Party. Mayor Crombie registered and kicked off her campaign on June 12 at a rally in Mississauga, attended by more than 350 people.

She has been endorsed by **Stephanie Bowman**, MPP (Don Valley West), who was planning to run as a candidate herself. MPP Bowman and Mayor Crombie are regular participants in PEO Chapter events. Mayor Crombie filed her nomination papers on June 12, making her the fourth formal candidate in the race to lead the former governing party in Ontario, alongside Liberal MPs **Nate Erskine-Smith** (Beaches-East York), **Yasir Naqvi** (Ottawa Centre) and Liberal MPP **Ted Hsu** (Kingston and the Islands).

The selection of the next leader by the Liberals will be conducted through a ranked ballot vote scheduled for November 25 and 26. The party intends to disclose the results on a round-by-round basis on December 2, the weekend following the vote.

## MEET YOUR MPPS

This week, the PEO *GLP Weekly Times* features **Dave Smith**, MPP (Peterborough—Kawartha) and **Jeff Burch**, MPP (Niagara Centre) so PEO licence holders can get to know their representatives. For a full list of MPPs, click [here](#).

### DAVE SMITH, MPP (PETERBOROUGH—KAWARTHA)

**Dave Smith**, MPP was first elected in the 2018 provincial election. He is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport.

Prior to entering politics, MPP Smith worked as the Manager of Product Development for Cardinal Software and was the lead developer of the company's products for co-operative education and other programs. He recently met with PEO Peterborough Chapter GLP Chair **Michael Wearing**, P.Eng.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Computing Systems from Trent University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Fredericton.



**Dave Smith**, MPP (Peterborough—Kawartha)

### JEFF BURCH, MPP (NIAGARA CENTRE)



**Jeff Burch**, MPP was first elected in the 2018 provincial election and currently serves as the Critic for Municipal Affairs for the NDP Official Opposition.

Prior to his election to the legislature, MPP Burch was the executive director of Niagara Folk Arts, a non-profit social services agency, and served as a city councillor for Merritton Ward for St. Catharines City Council.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from Brock University.

**Jeff Burch**, MPP (Niagara Centre)



There was no winner for the last week's trivia contest who had not won in the previous 4 weeks.

**Last week's question:** Which former Attorney General has declared for the Ontario Liberal Leadership?

**Answer:** Yasir Naqvi, MP (Ottawa Centre)

**This week's question:** Which PEO Councillor attended a Toronto community event with MPPs such as Colleges and Universities Minister **Jill Dunlop** MPP (Simcoe North) on June 8?



PEO Headquarters in Toronto.

Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly Times* with our trivia contest!

Send your answers to **Howard Brown** at [howard@brown-cohen.com](mailto:howard@brown-cohen.com) by Monday, June 19.

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

## WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON PROGRAM?



The goals of PEO's Government Liaison Program (GLP) are:

- To ensure that the government, PEO licence holders and the public continue to recognize its regulatory mandate, in particular its contributions to maintaining the highest level of professionalism among engineers working in the public interest.
- To have the government view PEO as a partner and understand and support PEO's policy direction.

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs more than 90,000 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.

Past issues are available on the PEO Government Liaison Program (GLP) website at <https://www.peo.on.ca/index.php/aboutpeo/glp-weekly-newsletter>

Deadline for submissions is Thursday the week prior to publication. Our next issue is **June 23**.

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