



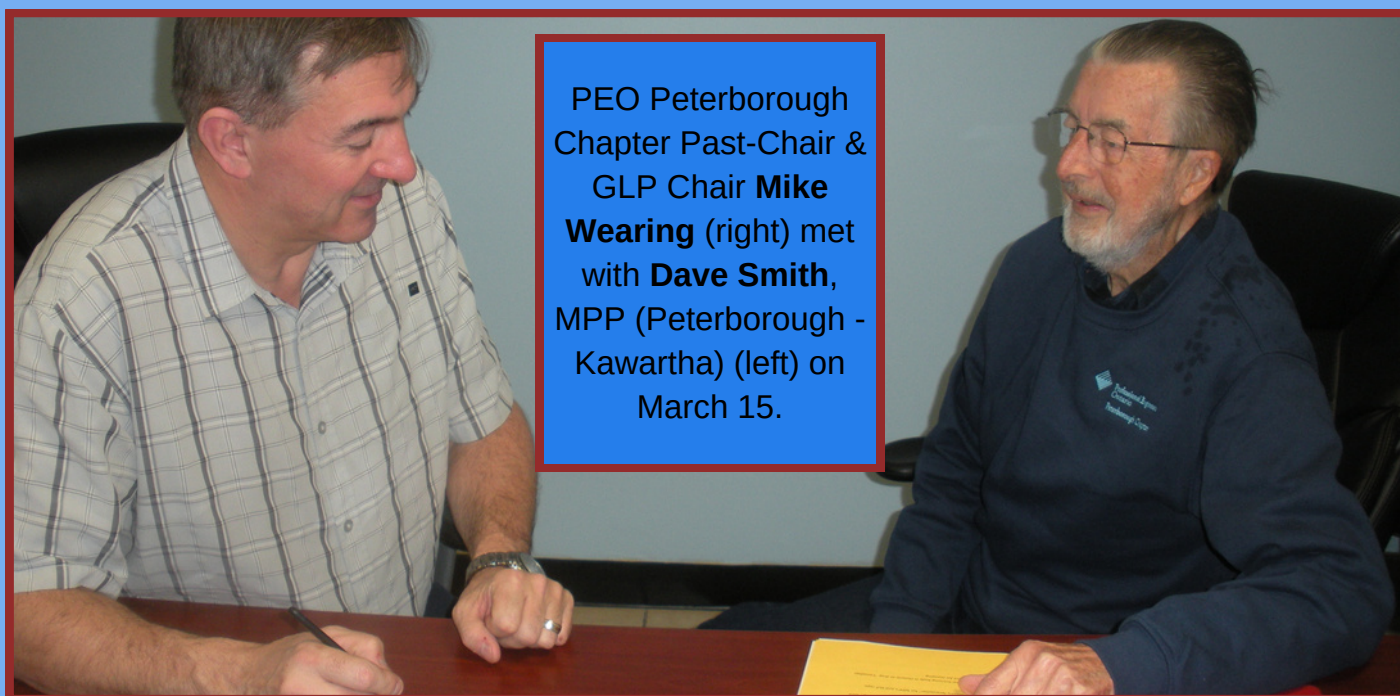
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PEO Peterborough Chapter Past-Chair & GLP Chair **Mike Wearing** (right) met with **Dave Smith**, MPP (Peterborough - Kawartha) (left) on March 15.

PEO PETERBOROUGH CHAPTER GLP CHAIR MEETS WITH LOCAL MPP/PA

PETERBOROUGH - **Dave Smith**, MPP (Peterborough - Kawartha), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, met with PEO Peterborough Chapter GLP Chair **Mike Wearing** at his community office on March 15.

They discussed PEO initiatives including the process to becoming a P.Eng., the *Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act* (FARPACTA), mandatory continuing professional development administered through the PEAK program, and the PEO Government Liaison Program.

Mr. Wearing, who is also a past Chair of the Chapter, also encouraged MPP Smith to attend upcoming PEO events. Mr. Wearing told the *PEO GLP Weekly Times* that MPP Smith “will arrange for congratulatory certificates to be sent to the students who won awards at the (National Engineering Month) challenge in Peterborough.”

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PEO MISSISSAUGA CHAPTER LICENSEE MEETS PREMIER AT LOCAL EVENT



Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North) (right) with PEO Mississauga Chapter Licensee **Jagdish Patel**, P.Eng. at the Mississauga - Malton Progressive Conservative Association's event on March 8.

MISSISSAUGA - Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North) was the special guest at a meet and greet event with **Deepak Anand**, MPP (Mississauga - Malton) and **Natalia Kusendova-Bashta**, MPP (Mississauga - Centre) at Chef Kausar's Autaq Banquet Hall in Mississauga on March 8.

PEO Mississauga Chapter licensee **Jagdish Patel**, P.Eng., had the opportunity to meet Premier Ford. He spoke about the importance of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) programs, specifically identifying that over 70,000 STEM students graduate from post-secondary programs across the province.

Mr. Patel also had the opportunity to meet his own representative, MPP Anand, who also serves as the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, and **Shawn Watters**, Mayor of Centre Wellington.

Also in attendance was PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

Mr. Patel expressed interest in joining the GLP. If any other PEO licensees are interested in volunteering with the GLP, please email **Julie Hamilton** at jhamilton@peo.on.ca.



Deepak Anand, MPP (Mississauga - Malton), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development (right) with PEO Mississauga Chapter Licensee **Jagdish Patel**, P.Eng., (left) and **Shawn Watters**, Mayor of Centre Wellington (centre) at the event on March 8.

PEO ISSUES REMINDER TO COMPLETE FIRST TWO PEAK ELEMENTS

PEO STATUSES			PEO ALLOWANCES AND RESTRICTIONS			PEAK PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS		
My practice status	My licence status	Why I have these statuses	I'm an engineer allowed to use the designation (PEng. or LL/LET/LEL)	I can practise and seal engineering documents	I'm eligible to be the designated engineer for a Certificate of Authorization	The annual Practice Evaluation element applies to me	The annual Professional Practice Module element applies to me	The annual CPD Report element applies to me
						Due every Jan. 31	Due every Jan. 31	Due every Dec. 31
Practising	Eligible to practise	I'm currently practising or expect to practise this year	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Not practising	Eligible to practise	I'm not currently practising and opt in to CPD hours	✓	✓ I must change status to 'Practising' within 30 days of resuming practice	✗	✓	✓	✓
	Not currently eligible to practise	I'm not currently practising and opt out of CPD hours	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
		I'm enrolled in fee remission	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
		My licence is suspended for disciplinary reasons	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗

As posted on PEO's [PEOPEAK.ca](https://www.peopeak.ca) page, the January 31 deadline has passed to complete the first two Practice Evaluation and Knowledge (PEAK) elements--the Practice Evaluation and Professional Practice Module. If you are late, please comply as soon as possible. Each year an enforcement date will be announced by the Registrar, and PEO will provide notice and reminders before enforcement begins.

The mandatory continuing professional development program, administered through the PEAK program, supports licence holders to maintain their skills, competence and professionalism. PEO is committed to enforcing the mandatory PEAK program, beginning with the 2024 calendar year. Enforcement will eventually include administrative licence suspensions, as well as an audit program to ensure requirements are being met correctly.

The PEAK program is laid out in three steps to be completed annually. The three elements of the program are:

- Practice Evaluation - A self-administered assessment consisting of a practice status declaration and either a Practice Evaluation Questionnaire or a Non-practising Survey
- Professional Practice Module
- Continuing Professional Development Report

For more information, please see [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

PEO ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR BARRIE



The 2024 PEO Annual Meeting will take place in Barrie, part of the constituency of Attorney General **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie--Springwater--Oro-Medonte) (above)

As reported in previous *PEO GLP Weekly Times* issues, the 2024 PEO Annual Meeting is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 20 in Barrie, the hometown of the Attorney General, **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie--Springwater--Oro-Medonte). Minister Downey has been a remote speaker at previous PEO Annual Meetings over the last several years.

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/about-peo/glp-weekly-newsletter>

Deadline for submissions is Thursday the week prior to publication. There is no issue next week due to the statutory holiday. Our next issue will be April 5.

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