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The Official Newsletter of the Willowdale/Thornhill PEO Chapter

The Chronicle



CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Greetings PEO Willowdale-Thornhill Members, the newly elected chair I've been with the board of executives to continue offering engaging chapter activities while following through on my mandate to increase volunteer participation.

In recent months I've attended various events where I've had the opportunity to meet with chapter members, industry partners and PEO administration. The feedback I've received about our Willowdale-Thornhill chapter has been overwhelmingly positive. I am pleased to say that we are fulfilling our role in the PEO ecosystem of enhancing public awareness of the profession and offering opportunities for engineers to connect with the community.

Our board of executives is a small dedicated team of volunteers who commit their time to organize spectacular events and activities. We've had many successes, but we know from history and experience that there is strength in numbers. With the greater involvement and participation of our membership we can work together to bring newfound successes to this chapter.

Volunteering with the chapter offers rewarding opportunities to build your professional network, contributing back to the community and support the profession. We are always looking for motivated individuals with new ideas to join our diverse team. I encourage every member to read the chapter communications and learn more about the various opportunities to volunteer within our great organization.

On behalf of our executive team thank you for your participation and contribution in the success of our chapter. If you have any questions, suggestions or comments please don't hesitate to share them with me at chair@wtpeo.org. I hope to connect with you all at future events and activities.

Regards,

Nick Shelton, P.Eng, PMP

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The Chronicle publishes articles of interest to the membership of the Willowdale-Thornhill Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Chapter.

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10th PEO Queen's Park Day and PEO-OSPE Joint Government relations conference—October 26, 2016

(This event included government relations training, on regulatory and advocacy, a session on OSPE and PEO's mandates and activities, and networking opportunities. Several MPPs were invited to participate.

Brief Summary Report:

Members of the WTPEO chapter had an opportunity to discuss and share our chapter's progress this year and learn from both leadership at PEO chapters and volunteers within the OSPE Political Action Network (PAN). This great level of cooperation between the two organizations is an accomplishment within itself and fostered connections and opportunities throughout both networks.

Keynote speakers at the conference ranged from representatives of law and accounting societies to present and past politicians and decision makers including Marc Garneau as well as a keynote from Noah Richler. These speeches were complimented by a breakout session where conference delegates were challenged to examine what is working well in their local programs and where there is opportunity for improvement.

Following the conference delegates attended a reception at the annual Queen's Park Day hosted by PEO. This event was a great opportunity to connect with MPPs and other provincial staff. Members from all parties were in attendance and students, engineers and MPPs collaborated in three teams with the "Engineering Games" activity. Awards were also presented to GLP chapters to recognize exceptional conduct. We also heard strong words of support for the profession from speakers of all three parties. Jasmeet Singh, speaking on behalf of the NDP did stand out by expressing their party's support for the repeal of the industrial exception. Overall, both the event and the involvement of the Willowdale-Thornhill chapter were a success. One would hope that the energy in the room throughout the conference will result in new levels of efficacy and collaboration the PEO GLP and OSPE PAN programs.



Figure 1: Thomas Chong, P.Eng., Past President of PEO, Andrea Horwath, Leader NDP Caucus, Fred Saghezchi, P.Eng, GLP Chair WTPEO

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WTPEO ENGINEERING INTERN AND LICENCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Engineer-in-Training (EIT) program provides guidance and assistance to engineering graduates as they progress towards becoming professional engineers in the province of Ontario.

The chapter held an EIT workshop and experience summary on July 12th 2016. Tracey Caruana, P.Eng (*Manager, Engineering Intern Programs*) and Pauline Lebel, P.Eng (*Manager, Licensure*), presented and walked us through the benefits and details of each program.

It gives me great pleasure to announce the successful completion of the Licensure Assistance Program (LAP) in 2016 where we had 12 mentors & 14 mentee participate in the program with the success rate of over 90% completion.

Look for details in upcoming chapter correspondence on how you can participate in LAP and other EIT programs for 2017.



New Chapter Website Launched September 2016

—By Electronic Media Committee, Amit Gupta, P.Eng

After many months of hard work we are pleased to announce the launch of the new wtpeo.org website this fall. The new site comes complete with a refresh in content, structure and provides clear navigation for the different activities organized by each committee.

Among all new features added to the site is the availability of a mini-calendar on the main page. By simply clicking on a calendar date you can find the details, scope, location and registration for upcoming chapter events.

We are open to comments from all active members to help improve the website. In addition to email correspondence, the website as a primary source of communication to all Willowdale-Thornhill PEO members.



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Willowdale-Thornhill Pub Night
Tue Nov 22nd @ 6:00pm - 9:00pm

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting (AGM) of the Willowdale/Thornhill PEO Chapter will be held on Tuesday February 28th, 2016 at Pleasant View public library on 575 Van Horne Ave. (Victoria Park & Finch). The purpose of the AGM is to review the 2015-2016 financial statement, report the chapter activities and elect a new chapter executive.

You all are invited to participate. If you are interested, enthusiastic, and available, please complete the nomination form as soon as you receive the notice of the AGM.

Five WTPEO Chapter Executives Recognized

—By Awards Committee, Mohinder Grover, P.Eng., FEC

Five executives of the WTPEO Chapter Board were recognized for their dedicated leadership and services to the chapter and for successfully executing their roles and responsibilities during their term. They were presented with PEO Certificates of Appreciation and P. Eng. Pins on October 6, 2016 at the Licence Presentation Ceremony at Thornhill Country and Golf Club. The members who were recognized include the following:

Vimbai Munyukwi , P. Eng. - Board Chair, 2014 – 2016
 Noubar Takessian, P. Eng. - Board Vice-Chair, 2014 – 2016
 Maziyar Bolour, P. Eng. - Board Treasurer, 2015-2016
 Aung Ko Ko Kyaw, EIT - Board Secretary, 2014- 2016
 Maliheh Farahnak, P. Eng. - EIT/ LAP Committee Chair*
 Congratulations and thank you to these Board members.

* Maliheh left the Board to move to Oakville in 2016.



Guidelines to publishing articles at “The Chronicle”:

Word limit of 1000 words. About 300-500 words could be a full page article, 50-100 words could be a section of the page, less than 50 may be in a form of a banner or text box.

The newsletter is meant to be a portal for the WTPEO chapter and community members. As a P.Eng. volunteering with the chapter, almost anything you write may be applicable to the newsletter.

For additional guidelines on publishing in “The Chronicle”:

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Scholarship Winners Named

—By Rana Tehrani Yekta, EIT

The Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter of the Professional Engineers of Ontario (WTPEO) with the support of The McClelland Financial Group is awarding three engineering scholarships to high school students who have gained admittance to an engineering program at university level for September of 2016. The total amount of the scholarship is \$2,500 The McClelland Financial Group to show their commitment as part of their advocacy in the arena of equal access to higher learning. The scholarships are awarded to first, second and third place students selected based on their submissions, in the amount of \$1,300, \$700 and \$500 accordingly.

The recipients of the Willowdale-Thornhill PEO Chapter 2016 scholarships are listed below:

First Name	Last Name	School	Scholarship Amount
Justin	Borromeo	Bayview Glen School	\$1300
Alireza	Aghajafari	A.Y. Jackson Secondary School	\$700
Margaret	Tkatcgenko	Vaughan Secondary School	\$500

Congratulations and best of luck to the recipients.

The Willowdale-Thornhill PEO Chapter would like to thank The McClelland Financial Group for its continued financial support.



Licence Presentation Ceremony – Fall 2016

WTPEO held the bi-annual Licence Presentation Ceremony on October 7th, 2016. A total of 34 newly Licensed Engineers attended the ceremony and it was an honor to organize and participate in the achievement of a momentous milestone in their professional career. We were joined by our keynote speaker Paul Acchione, P.Eng., Past President of OSPE, delivered a talk on why Engineers should be involved in policy Development. A compelling case study in Ontario electrical grid was discussed. We were also joined by our very own East Central Region Councillors, Noubar Takessian, P.Eng. and Changiz Sadr, P.Eng., as well as Thomas Chong, P.Eng., Past President of PEO.

Once again, congratulations to our newly Licensed Engineers!



Community Portal

Everybody has a story to tell. Living in the Willowdale-Thornhill area is a wonderful opportunity to encounter many adventures. These adventures include anything from swinging a club at the Thornhill Golf and Country Club to figuring out what the new Highway 7 transportation route will have to offer. Do you have a story or opinion to share?

If so, send us an email to publication@wtpeo.org.

Let us know what you think and your opinion may be published in the next issue of *The Chronicle*!

If you also have any pictures, videos, poems, or fun facts you would like to share with our audience, it would be nice to hear from you!



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BE PART OF THE FUN!

Log onto www.wtpeo.org and find out how you can volunteer with the WTPEO Chapter. We are always looking to expand our team!

Send an email to chair@wtpeo.org saying how you would like to contribute. Chapter board meetings are at 5:30 p.m. on second Tuesdays of every month.

NOT RECEIVING EMAILS FROM THE WTPEO CHAPTER?

You need to be a registered professional engineer (P.Eng.) or engineering intern (EIT) with PEO and reside in the Willowdale/Thornhill area (see map). If you are still not receiving our e-mails, please fill in the form on the "Contact Us" page of the PEO website: <http://peo.on.ca/>.



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