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**WEST TORONTO CHAPTER
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ONTARIO**
<http://www.westtoronto.peo.on.ca>

****SEASONS GREETINGS from your West Toronto PEO Executive Committee****

Licensing Ceremony, Wednesday, November 11, 2015

On Wednesday, November 11, 2015, the West Toronto Chapter of Professional Engineers Ontario (WTPEO), welcomed 34 new professional engineers to PEO and our 2900-member-strong West Toronto Chapter. The ceremony was held at the Islington Golf and Country Club in Toronto, and MC'd by **Richard Weldon**, P.Eng. The new licence recipients presented to the assembled guests at this ceremony were:

<p>Genevieve Lindsay Ashton, P.Eng. Adam James Beausoleil, P.Eng. Andrew Tin Lok Chan, P.Eng. Alexandra Wai Yen Chan, P.Eng. Rosalie Sei Kei Chung, P.Eng. Patrick Gordon Cutten, P.Eng. Joseph Luke Di Carlo, P.Eng. Lise Marie Eamer, P.Eng. Ahmed Mohamed E ElSharkawy, P.Eng. Cristian Filisanu, P.Eng. Tamara Graham, P.Eng. Jia Yi Guan, P.Eng. Alexander Mathias Hemmingsen, P.Eng. Sergio Hernaiz Delgado, P.Eng. Sean Walker Holt, P.Eng. Danny Hui, P.Eng. Peter G.W. Hulley, P.Eng. Ali Husain, P.Eng.</p>	<p>Jan Michal Kaczmarek, P.Eng. Spandan Sunil Kale, P.Eng. Michael Wing Yuen Kan, P.Eng. Joel Eli Kimelman, P.Eng. Michael Jonathan Munjune Kwong, P.Eng. Anna Lacourt, P.Eng. Thuan Nguyen, P.Eng. Christopher Patrick William Onysko, P.Eng. Allan Norman Matias Rocas, P.Eng. Benjamin Earl Schreiber Costa, P.Eng. Kamyar Shahdi, P.Eng. Chandra Veer Singh, P.Eng. Ghazaleh Taghi Nazari, P.Eng. Samuel Phillip van Berkel, P.Eng. Thao Vu, P.Eng. Lisa Marie Wise-Milestone, P.Eng.</p>
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The head table guests presiding over this ceremony, included **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., FEC, President PEO; **George Comrie**, P.Eng., CMC, FEC, President-elect; **Danny Chui**, P.Eng., FEC, West Central Region Councillor; **Matthew Ng**, P.Eng., FEC, PEO Chapters Manager; **Gerard McDonald**, MBA, P.Eng., Registrar, and our special guest speaker **Randy McMeekin**, P.Eng., Managing Director, Engineering – Hatch.

On behalf of **Barry Westhead**, P.Eng, FEC, West Toronto PEO Chapter Chair, who introduced the new chapter licence recipients, and the chapter board, we want to congratulate all who received their licence at this ceremony. We also want to gratefully acknowledge the support and

contributions made by friends, family, and guests who helped our licence recipients achieve their goals. Truly another milestone in our licence recipients' careers.

In addition, for the first time at a QUAD Chapters licensing ceremony, TD Meloche-Monnex sponsored a photographic booth for any recipients to have a professional photo taken of themselves with their licence in hand. Framed photos were made available for pick-up after the ceremony.

The chapter executive would like to also take this opportunity for all our new licence recipients to join us at upcoming seminars and events organized by the chapter. You will automatically receive eBlasts of upcoming chapter events, but you should also check periodically the calendar page on the chapter website (www.westtorontopeo.com) for upcoming chapter events. Follow the tabs to the Events Calendar. Please make certain that your personal profile is always up to date in the PEO Database.

I would also like to thank all the volunteers who helped to make this one of the smoothest running and successful licence ceremonies for the West Toronto Chapter.

Photos from this ceremony, including group photos of those who attended the ceremony, have been posted to our chapter licensing page website here:

<https://plus.google.com/photos/114203728228984363283/albums/6225346140249874945>

Georg A. M. Kralik, P.Eng., FEC
Past Chair
Vice Chair - Women in Engineering Committee
Licence Presentation Coordinator
Engineer-in-Residence
West Toronto Chapter, Professional Engineers Ontario (WTPEO)

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ONTARIO
WEST TORONTO CHAPTER
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) OF MEMBERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the West Toronto Chapter of Professional Engineers Ontario will take place on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 7:30 p.m., location TBD. Please check our website (www.westtorontopeo.com) for updates on the meeting location as well as advanced viewing of posted executive and committee reports.

1. Receive the Chair's report.
2. Review and accept the audited financial statements of the chapter for the fiscal year ended 31 December, 2015.
3. Receive the reports from the subcommittees.
4. Elect up to 12 chapter members to the Board of the chapter.
5. Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

DATED at Toronto this 11th day of December, 2015, by order of the Board, Barry Westhead, P.Eng., Chair. Note: A copy of the By-Laws may be accessed at http://members.peo.on.ca/index.cfm/ci_id/28664/la_id/1.htm.

Election of the Chapter Board

The Chapter's By-Laws (Article 4, Paragraphs 2, 3, & 4) stipulate that the Board will consist of a minimum of seven and a maximum of 15 voting members. Five of the voting board members are officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Past Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary), and the remaining up to 10 voting board members are executives.

The Chair, Past Chair, and Vice Chair position are filled by rotation from Vice Chair to Chair to Past Chair to Executive (Article 4, Paragraph 9), therefore vacating the position of Vice Chair. This rotation occurs every two years, and most recently occurred at last year's AGM. At this AGM, the remaining executive positions are available to interested members.

Candidates for the board can be nominated by contacting the Chair of the Nominations Committee, **Eugen Karanxha, P.Eng.**, at ekaranxha@hotmail.com up to two weeks before the AGM. Candidates can also be nominated at the AGM by a mover and a seconder, with the agreement of the candidate, who must be present at the AGM. Their name will be added to the ballot. If the ballot contains fewer than, or equal to, 12 nominees, all will be accepted as acclaimed. If the final ballot contains more than 12 nominees as a result of nominations from the floor, the membership present at the AGM will be permitted to elect up to 12 nominees as voting members of the chapter board.

The membership present will then elect in a separate vote up to 12 other executives. Their titles and function will be decided on at the first business meeting following the AGM.

PEO West Toronto Chapter 2015 Academic Scholarships by Steven Lum, P.Eng.

The West Toronto Chapter of Professional Engineers Ontario is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2015 Academic Scholarships. The Academic Scholarships are for high school student graduates who are entering into a first-year Ontario university engineering program. The recipients are selected from applications submitted from the high schools within the boundaries of the West Toronto Chapter. The selection is based on:

- 1) Community involvement, leadership, extracurricular activities
- 2) Letter of Reference
- 3) 200-word essay outlining why engineering has been selected as a career path
- 4) Academic standing

We had a large number of excellent candidates this year, but were only able to select four students.

Bonnie Weng: \$500 Award attended Western Technical, now at University of Toronto – Engineering Science

Roshan Reginold: \$500 Award attended Bishop Marrocco, now at University of Toronto – Electrical Engineering

Mahan Salehi: \$250 Award attended Forest Hill Collegiate, now at University of Toronto – Engineering Science

Jackson Tarlin: \$250 Award attended Harbord Collegiate, now at University of McMaster

Please congratulate this year's recipients and wish them the best of luck in their future engineering careers.

WEST TORONTO CHAPTER BOARD			
<i>Officer Positions:</i>			
Barry J. Westhead, P.Eng., FEC	Chair	Eugen Karanxha, P.Eng.	Past-Chair
Catharine Hancharek, P.Eng.	Vice-Chair, Women in Engineering (WiE) Chair	Rishi Poddar, P.Eng.	Secretary
		Pat Scanga, P.Eng., FEC	Treasurer
<i>Executive Positions:</i>			
Behzad (Ben) Ashtiani, EIT	IT Committee	Thomas Markowitz, P.Eng.	Environmental Chair
Jim Chisholm, P.Eng.	Past Chair, Volunteers Chair, GLP member	Parvin Marzban, P.Eng.	Gov't Liaison Program (GLP) Chair
Marina Freire-Gormaly, MAsc., EIT, LEED GA	Education Chair	Richard Mraz, P.Eng.	Director of Communications
Sanja Hulec, EIT		Hilary Whiting, EIT	Member-at-Large, Volunteers, Co-Vice Chair, WiE
Georg A. Kralik, P.Eng., FEC	Licence Ceremony Co- ordinator, Co-Vice Chair, WiE	Mehdi Zanganeh, P.Eng.	I.T. Committee
<i>Committee Members (Non-voting):</i>			
Jenan Abderrahman		Steven Lum, P.Eng.	Scholarships
Ahmad Al-Dabbagh, P.Eng.	Registration	Roman Lysiak, P.Eng., FEC	Member-at-Large
Paul Collier, P.Eng.		Faizul Mohee, P.Eng., M.E.Sc.	
Lise Eamer, P.Eng.		Heather Murdock, EIT	
Anthony Hiller		Sergey Slynko, P.Eng.	I.T.(Social Media)
Arezoo Karemian		Khanh Tran, P.Eng.	
Summit Lalwani		Rob Willson, P.Eng.	
		Jeff Wiseman, P.Eng.	Newsletter

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