

Chapter News

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WEST TORONTO CHAPTER
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ONTARIO

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****SEASON'S GREETINGS from your West Toronto PEO Executive Committee****

Fall Licensing Ceremony - Wednesday November 11, 2016

On Wednesday, November 9, 2016, the West Toronto Chapter of Professional Engineers of Ontario (WTPEO), welcomed 24 new Professional Engineers to the 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 holders honoured at this ceremony included:

<p>Zain Badami, P.Eng. Youcef Brahim, P.Eng. Conor Cronin, P.Eng. Lucia Valentina Diaz Gomez, P.Eng. Jennifer Anne Pauline Drake, P.Eng. Michael Grayston Dutton, P.Eng. Arash Effati, P.Eng. Homa Fashandi, P.Eng. David Charles Galway, P.Eng. Jay Goldberg, P.Eng. Zahir Adnan Hossain, P.Eng. Nadia Islam, P.Eng.</p>	<p>Peter Gordon Patrick Keith, P.Eng. Ervin Kolic, P.Eng. Jennifer King Chung Li, P.Eng. Claire Angela Murray, P.Eng. Ammar Nawaz, P.Eng. Edward Maurice Otto, P.Eng. Franjo Plavec, P.Eng. Negin Salamati Mashhad, P.Eng. Seyed Amir Hooshang Taghavi, P.Eng. Mark Edward John Willer, P.Eng. Alison Louise Woodcock, P.Eng. Shaun Gerard Arthur Zonneveld, P.Eng.</p>
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The head table guests presiding over this ceremony, included **Bob Dony**, PhD, P.Eng., FIET, FEC President-elect; **Danny Chui**, P.Eng., FEC, West Central Region Councillor; **Warren Turnbull**, P.Eng., West Central Councillor; **Matthew Ng**, P.Eng., FEC, PEO Chapters Manager; **Gerard McDonald**, MBA, P.Eng., PEO Registrar; and our special guest speaker **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng., Assistant Dean, Inclusivity and Diversity, Lassonde School of Engineering, York University.

On behalf of **Barry Westhead**, P.Eng, FEC, West Toronto PEO Chapter Chair, who introduced the new chapter licence holders, and the chapter board, we congratulate all who received their licence at this ceremony. We also gratefully acknowledge the support and contributions of friends, family, and guests who helped our licence recipients achieve their goals. Truly another milestone in our licence recipients' careers.

The chapter executive would like to welcome all our new licence holders to join us at upcoming chapter seminars and events organized. You will automatically receive eBlasts of upcoming chapter events, but you should also check the calendar page on the [West Toronto Chapter PEO website periodically](http://www.westtoronto.peo.on.ca), (or copy and paste <http://westtorontopeo.com/> into your web browser) for upcoming chapter events. Follow the

tabs to the Events Calendar. Please ensure 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 ceremony one of the smoothest running and successful licence ceremonies for the West Toronto Chapter.

Photos from this ceremony have been posted to our chapter licensing page website at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/06hek64hiomp7sf/AACoOpneuJb3d2pJ4fU1jleva?dl=0> (alternately copy and paste into your web browser). Alternately just go to the Chapter website and follow the links on the "Other" drop down menu.

Georg A. M. Kralik, P.Eng., FEC
Past Chair
Co-Vice Chair - Women in Engineering Sub-Committee
License 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 22, 2017 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.

Agenda:

1. Receive the Chair's report.
2. Review and accept the audited financial statements of the chapter for the fiscal year ended 31 December, 2016.
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, 2016, 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.

Site visit to Ashbridges Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant

– by Tom Markowitz, P.Eng., WTPEO Environment Committee Chair

Have you ever wondered what happens to what you flush down the toilet?

We found out on November 10th, 2016 when we toured the Ashbridges Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP"), a City of Toronto facility that processes the sewage from approximately 1.5 million people. The largest of four Toronto WWTPs, Ashbridges Bay is the second largest WWTP in Canada.

The Manager of Engineering Services, Colin Marshall, P.Eng., and his staff gave us a thorough explanation and tour of the 40.5 hectare site. This was one of the most interesting site visits by WTPEO members that we've enjoyed for many years. The 20 participants asked many intelligent questions, prompting a running conversation with the Ashbridges Bay staff that lasted until we returned to our chartered bus.

It is most reassuring to see that this facility succeeds in processing up to 818,000 cubic meters of sewage per day, protecting the environment, releasing thoroughly cleaned water into Lake Ontario, and producing useful biosolids for agriculture and land remediation.

Two members of the WTPEO Environment Committee deserve special recognition for their organizational efforts, Nigel Fung, P.Eng., and Hilary Whiting, EIT.

Photos of the event have been posted to our chapter "events" section

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/k141wiams8qvidi/AABEiTMgJL9Ng3dxrlMNS31Xa?dl=0> (alternately copy and paste into your web browser). Alternately just go to the Chapter website and follow the links on the "Events" drop down menu.

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	Hilary Whiting , EIT	Secretary; co-vice chair WiE
		Pat Scanga , P.Eng., FEC	Treasurer
<i>Executive Positions:</i>			
Jim Chisholm , P.Eng.	Past Chair, Volunteers Chair, GLP member	Derek D'Costa , P.Eng., FEC	
Michael Flatt , P.Eng.	Mentorship	Marina Freire-Gormaly , EIT	Education Chair
Georg A. Kralik , P.Eng., FEC	Licence Ceremony Coordinator, Co-Vice Chair, WiE	Steve Lum , P.Eng.	Scholarship
Thomas Markowitz , P.Eng.	Environmental Chair		
Richard Mraz , P.Eng.	Director of Communications	Ivan Romo	
<i>Committee Members (Non-voting):</i>			
Farzad Behnamfard , EIT		Paul Collier , P.Eng, Retired	
Kenji Ferguson , EIT	Newsletter	Setareh Janbakhsh	
Arezou Karimian , EIT		Siddharth Lawande , EIT	
Roman Lysiak , P.Eng., FEC		Robert Willson , P.Eng.,FEC	

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