



Chapter News

Chair's Message

Following our tradition, February's Annual General Meeting (AGM) of our Chapter comprised both a formal event as well as an entertaining social gathering. In the attractive setting of the Radisson Hotel, ninety PEO members and their guests enjoyed the dinner and dance party to the tunes of a live band. The party was preceded by short business section, during which the Chapter Executive Committee (February 2000 – February 2001 term) was elected — the list of which is on page 3 of this newsletter.

I would like to thank all members of the past Executive Committee for their involvement, effort, and contribution to the chapter and the profession in the past year.

Although we have emerged from the AGM with a full set of

chapter executives, we always welcome and encourage members to get involved in the affairs of our profession, and partake in various activities. As a matter of fact, where better to get involved and make a difference than in the profession in which you are going to spend the rest of your life? Anyone who would be interested please phone me (905-415-8106) or send an email to executive@peoyork.com. An activity with the PEO can also be used as a springboard and support base for members who intend to run for a political or municipal office or get involved in other forms of public life. More public involvement of engineers would definitely increase the appreciation of engineering and benefit both the public and our profession.

John J. Schindler, P.Eng. — Chair



The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) will be announcing its new board of directors on May 12, 2001. All full and sustaining members of OSPE (this includes PEO members who have not opted out of OSPE) had received an election package, including ballot, biographical information about candidates around the middle of March 2001, ballots were due on April 12, 2001. Out of the 23 candidates that were nominated, 9 will be elected. OSPE will need a strong, energetic and vital board to pursue its mandate: "To advance the professional and economic interest of professional engineers in Ontario and to look after non-regulatory affairs for the profession."

For information and updates on OSPE, please visit www.ospe.on.ca, or contact Valerie Browne (OSPE communication coordinator) at (416)-223-9961.

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We need your help. York Chapter is seeking a Webmaster & Newsletter Editor to help in improving communications, and members outreach. Please contact Habib George Sambar at 905-475-8510 Ext. 3282, Habib.Sambar@peoyork.com.

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Plant Tour

HONDA of Canada Manufacturing

Alliston, Ontario

June 7, 2001



York Chapter has arranged for a special tour of the Honda manufacturing facility in Alliston, Ontario

The Modern Automotive Body & Assembly plant, employs approximately 4,000 people, and manufactures the Honda Civic, and Odyssey, the Accura 1.7 EL and MDX.

Important!

Due to limited space, reservations will be on a first come first served basis
Transportation/reservation fee \$5.00

We will depart from Bayview Community Center, 114 Spadina Rd, Richmond Hill at 5:00 pm (expected return at 9:30 pm)

Cheques/money orders must be received at the following address **before May 14th, 2001:**

York Chapter, PEO
PO Box 30505, 10520 Yonge St.
Richmond Hill, Ontario L4C 0C7

For additional information contact
Angelo Covello (905) 475-4222

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PLANT TOUR

Engineering Innovations Forum

The Engineering Innovations forum was held in March 8, 2001. The "Home Smart Home" event, featured presentations on home automation & integration, distance learning, home office, as well as High Tech and Low Tech applications. The event was organized by PEO and OACETT (Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists). The supporters included E.Z. Nejat and Associates, Integrated Electric Controls Ltd, Katz's Emporium, Lysiak Technology Group, Urbane Portrayals Inc., PPL legal Care, Watershed Ecosystems Technologies and Weiss Systems Inc.

We'd like to thank all the members and volunteers who attended and made this event successful.

Eddie Bromberg, P. Eng. — Treasurer



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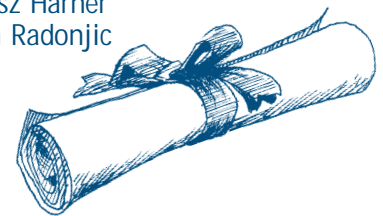
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Congratulations And Welcome!

Our last Certificate Presentation Ceremony in February 2001 (combined with the AGM), featured special guests, such as Bryan Wilfret, MP for OakRidges, Peter DeVita, PEO president, Gordon Sterling, PEO President Elect, and several regional and local PEO executives, as well as a large number of family and friends. Please welcome the following new members to the York Chapter:

Abdullah Mozaffarian
Bozena Pawlaczek
Christopher Robert Shmayda
David Campagnolo
Dirka Prout
Hussain Kubba
Jacinto Alvarez
James Chin
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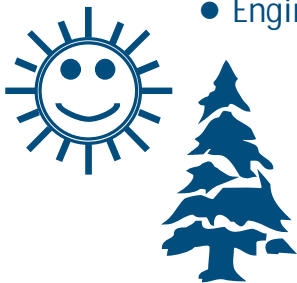
PEO York Chapter is presenting a Public Forum on
Conservation of the Habitat



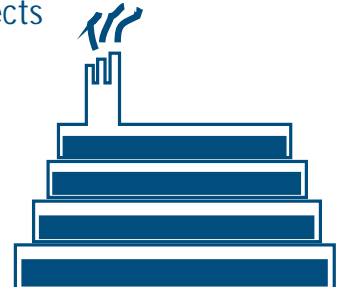
Land development should be performed in consideration of local environmental characteristics. Sustainable economical developments normally incorporate preservation of the environment.

The forum is planned to create opportunity for conveying information on the existing programs and exchanging ideas on:

- Minimizing the effect of land development on the environment,
- Environmental conservation programs,
- Remedial work to restore the original qualities of environment
- Engineering and scientific methods used in these respects



Opening Address
The Honourable Mike Colle, MPP



Speakers

Brian Deney, P. Eng.,
Toronto Region Conservation Authority

Mori Mortazavi, P. Eng.
Peto MacCallum Ltd.

Leonard Munt, B Sc.,
York Region

Douglas Wells, B. Sc.,
York Region, Greening Project

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday, May 10, 2001

**Place: Richmond Hill Central Library, # 1 Atkinson St.
(Corner of Yonge St. & Major McKenzie Dr.)**

Time: 7:00 pm

Refreshments will be served

For additional information, please contact Dr. Eric Nejat, P. Eng.
(905) 737-0904, Eric.nejat@peoyork.com



Dinner and Theatre Night

An adaptation of the famous Musical
“Annie”

presented by Newmarket High School

Newmarket Theatre

505 Pickering Crescent, Newmarket, Ontario
(Bayview & Mulock, next to Newmarket High School)
Theatre Tel: 905-953-5122

Saturday, May 26, 2001

Dinner 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Certificate Presentation Ceremony 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Show 7:15 – 9:30 pm

This is an opportunity for members, spouses and friends to meet and enjoy a served dinner and a relaxing evening. This event is being held jointly with the Spring Certificate Presentation Ceremony.

Important!! Due to limited seating, reservations will be on a first come first served basis.
Special group rate for York Chapter

Dinner (including wine) and Theatre:
\$33.00 (adult) • \$30.00 (child)

Theatre only:
\$8.00 (adult) • \$6.00 (child)

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For additional information contact Angelo Covello at (905) 475-4222
Tickets will be held at the door.

Please reserve _____ seats, Dinner and Theatre

_____ seats, Theatre only

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Engineering Design Challenge 2001

On Thursday March 1, 2001, The Education Committee of The York Chapter, held their annual Engineering Week event, "**Design Challenge 2001**" at the Newmarket High School from 4:00 to 8:00 pm.

The design challenge involved building a model canopy walkway, including a hoisting system to move materials from the ground up to the walkway. The student teams were asked to:

- 1) Design and build a walkway that includes a 25 centimeter high

bridge (from the floor) that is 40 centimeters long (from one chair to another chair) and a pulley system that can raise a 14 oz. can from the floor to the seat of one chair. The bridge should be wide and strong enough to support a 14 oz. can for 30 seconds.

- 2) Sketch the walkway design in actual size, list the materials you plan to use and describe where you plan to use them.

In all there were 13 teams of grade 7 and 8 students, a total of 62 from 12 schools. All student participants received prizes and were treated to dinner. This was a substantial increase over the four teams that participated last year. The Education committee was well represented with over 8 volunteers partaking in the event. Corporate sponsors included McDonalds, Tim Hortons, Vince's Country Market,

Pizza Pizza, En-Safe, M&M Markets, Dominions, Mark Engineering, Snell Infrared and the York Region Catholic and Public School Boards.

First place went to **Woodlands Public School**, second place to **St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School** and third place to **Walter Scott Public School**.

The teachers were delighted with the event and the students had fun while applying some skills and learning some new things. Given the extremely positive feedback and the many requests, this event will most likely be repeated next year.

On behalf of the York Chapter PEO, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved in making this event successful.

*Jeff Mark, P. Eng.,
Education Committee Chair*

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Future Events/Calendar

- May 10, 2001 – Conservation of the Habitat
- May 26, 2001 – Dinner/Theatre & Certificate Presentation
- June 7, 2001 – Plant Tour (Honda)
- Fall, 2001 – Financial Seminar (re-scheduled)
- September, 2001 – Copyright/Patent Seminar
- October, 2001 – Certificate Presentation