

Chapter News

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Eric Nejat & Afsar Javaheri at AGM

Chair's Message



The Chapter held a very successful Annual General Meeting on February 7, 2004. During the business meeting, a new executive was elected. There were some departures and • Communications -Thomas Chong, P.Eng. some additions to the executive. Our Past Chair, Habib Sambar, has moved to the United States so John Schindler, our previous Past Chair has returned to the position.

dwo of the early members of the Education Committee were honoured at the AGM. Art Niezen was the first York District School Board member of the committee and it was through his efforts that we received the cooperation of the school board for many of our activities. Kyn Barker took over from Art when Art was seconded to the Ministry of Education. Tattended the AGM of the Scarborough and Scarborough Chapter had a presentation about Canadian military engineering before their business meeting. The Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter held their meeting at Georgina Downs. There were three licenses awarded and Gerry Meade, from PEO headquarters, gave a talk on the impacts resulting from the changes to the Ontario Building Code requirements. If you are involved with the Ontario Building Code, you will have to write some new exams. Check with PEO headquarters for further details.

nember, what you get out of the PEO Activities depends on what you put into them. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact me at 905-836-4410, fax 905-836-9744, or email jeff.mark@peoyork.ca



Update

ENGINEERS
There were 7 positions open for the ▲ 2004 OPSE Board Election.

Members will be able to cast their vote electronically, or by paper ballot at the end of March.

OSPE works with Ministry of Municipal Affairs to develop preparatory training for the new mandatory BRRAG examinations. For the upcoming schedule on training and professional courses, please browse www.ospe.on.ca



Bryon Wilfert, MP(left) with guests at AGM



Certificate recipient (2nd left)& family at AGM



Certificate recipient (left) with partner at AGM



Dolly & Dennis Carlos of Scarborough Chapter at AGM

Congratulations and Welcome!

The Chapter Annual General Meeting was held on February 7, 2004 at the Radisson Hotel, Richmond Hill, New Executives for 2004 - 2005 were elected. Past Chair, John Schindler, P.Eng. thanked all executives for the hard work they put in to produce another year of well-organized events and wished every success for the new executives. Over 120 members, guests, families and friends attended the meeting and the dinner. Among our guests were Kim Allen P.Eng., CEO and Registrar, PEO; Peter DeVita, P.Eng., and Bryon Wilfert, MP Oak Ridges. It was a fun-filled evening with dancing to the music from a live band.

The event was combined with the Winter Certificate Presentation Ceremony. A total of 27 new P.Eng. members received their certificates at the AGM. Please join us in welcoming the new members to the York Chapter.

Chapter Email List Climbs!

over the past few months, we have been working to increase our subscription to the new electronic mailing list. The list server was set up by PEO to allow better management of member email addresses, and to provide the chapters with an efficient and cost effective mode for communication of news and upcoming events.

You may have been contacted recently by our hardworking student volunteer Borzou
Tabrizi, from Bayview Secondary School, asking for your updated email address information.
Borzou's efforts have allowed us to vastly increase our subscription, from approximately 800 to over 2000 email addresses subscribed!

With every new and updated subscription, we will reduce our paper mailing costs, and provide you with up-to-date information on all our exciting activities! You may unsubscribe at any time, and use of the mailing list is restricted to PEO and the chapter executive. If you are not on our list, or would like to update your information, please feel free to contact Jennifer Neate, Electronic Communication Director, at jennifer.neate@peoyork.com.



Certificate Presentation Recipients: Nashat Andraws, Shari May Carlaw, Susanne Chan, Yen-Ming Chen, Ricardo DiStefano, Micea Dreve, Evan Hopkins, Richard Huynh, Herve Lacheray, Johnny KaKi Lai, Ka Mam Lam, Wai Ling Lau, Xiaodong Liu, Edgar Martinez, Liviu Medrea, Seunghyeong Nah, Andre Nemat, Lisa Robbens, Konstantin Rybalko, Ahmad Taemiriosgouee, Minh Tat, Razvan Vidican, Tonny Wong, Eric Yeung, Sima Zandi, Yunzhen Zhou, Lisa Zografos.

Design Challenge 2004

Design Challenge, for Grades 7/8, on March 4, 2004 was organized by the Education Committee during Engineering Week, at Newmarket High School. It involved designing a watch tower withstanding specified weight and wind. 13 teams participated from Public and Separate Schools. Judges included: Michell Marks and Dennis McGowan from Ministry

of Education, Captain Corneliu Chisu of Canadian Armed Forces, John Schindler, Ed Poon, Travis Brown, and Edgar Martinez. Thanks to our corporate sponsors: Lego Canada, Pizza Pizza, Marshall Maclin Monaghan, McViro Consultants, Cansult Group, Tresman Steel, En-Safe, and Mark Engineering, 1st place went to Lake Wilcox Public School, 2nd place to John XXIII School, and 3rd place to St. Elizabeth Seaton School. *Susan Treki P.Eng.*



York Chapter "P.Eng." Essay Contest Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our "To Be or Not To Be P.Eng." essay contest: 1st place - Trevelyan Beard M.Eng., B.A.Sc., P.Eng.

2nd place - Jennifer Neate P.Eng., and

3rd place tie -Haoxuan Jin P.Eng, and Kamlesh Bhatt EIT.

The contest helps promote pride in the profession, and emphasizes the benefits of becoming a Professional Engineer. Winners photos are shown on page 4. The winning essays will be published in our Chapter website at www.peoyork.com

York Chapter Engineering Week Event



Mervat Rashwan P.Eng. organized the Grade 5/6 Lego Bridge building competition at Richmond Hill Public Library, February 28, 2004. Twelve teams competed, although not all teams represented a school. Teams were supervised by a parent or a teacher. Thanks to our sponsors: Lego Canada, Bryon Wilfert, MP Oak Ridges, Richmond Hill Hydro, and Skyline International. *Susan Trekei P.Eng.*



Dinner/Certificate Presentation

Saturday, June 12, 2004 Inspiring Speech by Janet M. Porter M.Eng., PMP

Markham Golf & Country Club

9064 Woodbine Avenue, at 16th Ave., Markham Tel. 905-477-7200/7711

A special event for members, families & friends to meet and enjoy a served dinner, certificate presentation, and be motivated by Janet Porter's inspiring and energizing presentation on



"Connecting Profit to Projects"

Janet will focus on typical operating issues impacting profitability including excessive rework, lagging accounts receivables, and not enough repeat customers

Reception: 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 7:00 p.m. Speech: 8:00 p.m. Certificate Presentation: 9:00 p.m.

\$35 per person (early bird) by May 1, 2004

\$40 per person after May 1, 2004

Includes dinner, wine, door prizes, and entertainment (Vegetarian menu available with prior arrangement at time of ordering the tickets)

Cheque/money order must be received, by Friday, May 28, 2004 at:

York Chapter, PEO, P.O. Box 30505, 10660 Yonge St., Richmond Hill, ON L4C 4H0

For further information, please contact Sarah Jin at sarah.jin@peoyork.com

Tickets will be held for you at the door.

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York Chapter Dinner/Ce	rtificate Presentatio	n - Saturday, June 12, 2004	4 - Ticket(s) Order	
I would like to order:				
		\$40 (after May 1)	500	
Food choice: Chicken				
I have enclosed a cheque/money order for \$				
Please contact me to confirm	m my order.			
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This newsletter is published for the benefit of the 4,600 members of the York Chapter, Professional Engineers Ontario. Its main goal is to communicate the Chapter's activities and views and to be a voice of our members. Hence, your comments, letters to the editor and guest articles are welcome.

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Coming Events/Calendar

- Mar. 18 Starting a Small Business
- Apr. 07 Marketing your Small Business
- May 20 Selling through the Internet
- Mar. 20 Advancing an Engineer's Career
- Apr. 21 Business Plan Writing +Cash Flow
- May 29 Fame, the Musical at Casino Rama

Contact Sarah Jin Email: sarah Jin@peoyork.com for details. Or visit www.peoyork.com for update

Marketing Your Small Business - Apr. 7

Come and join this business seminar, which teaches you how to increase sales, develop marketing plans, and grow your business. Presented by Andrew Patricio, author of the best seller -Up & Running - a guide to running your own business.

Place: Canada Room, Markham Civic Centre,

101 Town Centre Blvd., Markham (NW corner of Warden/Hwy 7)

Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2004 Time: 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Speaker: Andrew Patricio Contact: sarah.jin@peoyork.com

Effective Business Plan + Cash Flow - Apr.21

Come and learn more about business plan writing and cash flow for your business. Topics include:

- Business plan writing skills
- Understand cash flow and its drivers
- Forecasting business start-up costs.

Place: Canada Room, Markham Civic Centre,

101 Town Centre Blvd., Markham (NW corner of Warden & Hwy 7)

Date: Wednesday, April 21, 2004 **Time:** 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Speaker: Joe Sadd, Principal Consultant, Applied Management Solutions

Contact: sarah.jin@peoyork.com









Trevelyan Beard -1st Place winner, Jennifer Neate -2nd Place winner, Kamlesh Bhatt -3rd Place winner, & Sarah Jin -3rd Place winner of Essay Contest

E-business - selling via Internet - May 20

Come and join this business seminar to learn more about selling and generating leads through Internet, extending relationship with customers. E-business trends and profitability.

Place: Canada Room, Markham Civic Centre,

101 Town Centre Blvd., Markham (NW corner of Warden/Hwy 7)

Date: Thursday, May 20, 2004 **Time:** 6:30pm to 8:30 pm

Speaker: Stephen Wong, President, ESM Group Inc.

Contact: sarah.jin@peoyork.com

More AGM Photos





Fame - the Musical at Casino Rama - May 29!!!

Come and join York Chapter to see the famous musical "Fame", a 2 hour live theatrical performance, at Casino Rama's new entertainment centre. Limited Seating. Friends and relatives age 19 and above are welcome.

Date: *Saturday, May 29, 2004.* Show Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm **Cost:** Free transportation and free buffet lunch at Casino Rama.

Payment: \$10 refundable deposit. Cheque must be received by May 14 payable to: Professional Engineers Ontario, York Chapter. P.O. Box 30505, 10660 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill ON L4C 4H0

Departure: 9:00 am sharp. Hillcrest Mall (Yonge/Carville)Richmond Hill **Return:** 7:00 pm. **Purchase your show tickets** @\$18 at Casino Rama. **Contact:** sarah.jin@peoyork.com Minimum 45 participants required.



