

2023 Awards Luncheon

November 15, 2023

MEA AWARD & VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

MEA Award:

Recipients have provided outstanding service to the community, been recognized for work-related accomplishment in an engineering project of above-average merit, and/or have a record of long-term service. Nominated by MEA members and/or recommended through MEA Awards Committee.

Volunteer Recognition – Service Award Milestone:

Service Milestone Recognition (5, 10, 15, 20, 25. 30 years) for members volunteering on MEA Committees. First year of this new program.

2023 MEA Award Winners

- This year the MEA Awards Committee received 2 nominations from the membership and also considered other candidates for awards.
- The Committee recommended 3 MEA Award winners to the Board of Directors for approval.
- Let's Celebrate this year's winners!



MEA AWARD

Paul Nause P. Eng. York Region - Retired

This nomination was recommended by the Awards Committee.

Paul served on the OPS Electrical Committee for over 28 years, and the Awards Committee felt it was appropriate to acknowledge his longstanding commitment to this very specialized committee. His expertise was extremely appreciated by the members of the OPS Electrical Committee.

Paul is retiring in 2023 from York Region.



MEA AWARD

Michael D'Andrea, M.E. Sc., P. Eng. City of Toronto - Retired

A nomination was received for Michael through the membership. Michael is retiring from the City of Toronto this year. Over his career at Toronto, he has served as the City's Chief Engineer & Executive Director in the Engineering & Construction Services (ECS) Division. He has led the ECS Division —a team of more than 600 professional and technical staff providing engineering design and construction services to both internal and external municipal clients. A sample of major projects Michael has led include the:

- City of Toronto's Wet Weather Flow Master Plan, a multi-facetted and industry leading plan to mitigate the impacts of stormwater runoff and combined sewer overflow discharges and improve water quality.
- Gardiner Expressway Strategic Rehabilitation Plan, estimated at \$2.3B, uses an accelerated bridge construction approach to rebuild the elevated expressway section, to reduce the overall construction schedule and traffic impacts.
- Development of the Don River and Central Waterfront Project, estimated at \$2.5B is aimed at "delisting" Toronto as a polluted Area of Concern in the Great Lakes Basin.
- Basement Flooding Protection Program Toronto's climate change adaptation plan to address the urban flooding impacts of more frequent extreme storms.



MEA AWARD

Sarnia-Lambton Oversize Load Corridor Project

- Alister Brown, P. Eng. David Jackson, P. Eng.
- Jason Cole, P. Eng.
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 - County of Lambton

This nomination was received through the membership and recognizes three (3) individuals who played key roles related to the Sarnia-Lambton Oversize Load Corridor Project. This project is creating a route that provides unimpeded access between local fabricators and the Port of Sarnia to ship oversized loads (30'W, 30'H, 150'L).

The route (26.7 km in length) will improve the economic competitiveness of local industry that build vessels, reactors, and modules by increasing efficiency and safety. The \$17M scope includes raising/burying hydro and telecommunications infrastructure, widening intersections, a new roll-on/roll-off capacity dock, and installation of offsetting fish habitat. This was a complex multi-jurisdictional project that includes funding support from all levels of government and the private sector. The dock construction is the final stage of the overall project and will be completed in early 2024.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL AWARD WINNERS!

The MEA encourages the membership to nominate members for recognition. More information about the MEA Awards Program can be found at:

https://municipalengineers.on.ca/events/mea-awards.html

MEA VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

- This is the first year where the MEA is recognizing volunteers for the significant efforts participating on MEA Committees.
- MEA has 46 committees staffed by over 170 MEA members.
- Without our volunteers, the MEA would not exist.
- This year, 28 MEA members have achieved a 5, 10, 15, 25 and 35 year volunteer service milestone!
- Being the first year of the program, we are going back to catch up with service milestone achievements of current volunteers that they would have previously achieved. For example, several of the individuals listed for 5-year recognition have between 6-9 years of service, but not yet reached 10-years, so they are getting their 5-year award crystals today.

Let's recognize our Volunteers.

Volunteers here today.

- ▶ Karl Grabowski, P. Eng.
- Mohan Toor, P. Eng.
- ► Charlyne Elep, P. Eng.
- Penelope Palmer, P. Eng.
- Chris Traini, P. Eng.
- Steve Lund, P. Eng.
- Nick Colorusso, P. Eng.

City of London City of Vaughan City of Toronto City of Toronto County of Middlesex Huron County York Region

Unable to join us today

- Bully Cheung, P. Eng.
- Melanie Knowles, P. Eng.
- Dane Reynolds, P. Eng.
- Eva Pulnicki, P. Eng.
- Daniel McCreery, P. Eng.
- Michael Becke, P. Eng.
- Sam Inchasi, P. Eng.
- Alan Korell, P. Eng.
- Arif Khan, P. Eng.
- John Thompson, P. Eng.
- Robert Fazio, P. Eng.

York Region United Counties of Lees & Grenville City of Barrie York Region City of Toronto City of Hamilton Town of Oakville Retired York Region Retired City of Toronto

Here today

- Salim Alibhai, P. Eng.
- Tim Marotta, P. Eng.
- Anna Godo, P. Eng.
- Reg Russwurm, P. Eng.

York Region Town of Fort Erie

Retired

City of Guelph

Unable to join us today.

Melissa Ryan, P. Eng. City

City of Kitchener

Here today

Don Kudo, P. Eng.

Wellington County

Not able to join us today

Vince Musacchio, P. Eng. City of Vaughan

David Thompson, P. Eng.

Retired

Paul Nause, P. Eng,

York Region - Retired

Paul Knowles, P. Eng,

Retired