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BRYCE PHILLIPS

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Bringing Back the Salmon to Lake Ontario

Enthusiastic students from High Bush Public School joined Ontario Power Generation (OPG) staff at the Pickering Information Centre for the opening of an educational salmon hatchery in January.

OPG is the lead partner in the Bring Back the Salmon program with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, and a number of other organizations. This program is designed to help restore the Atlantic salmon population in Lake Ontario by 2020.

Pickering Nuclear received 100 salmon eggs for the hatchery. Over the next few months the students will track the progress of the eggs. In late spring, they will release the fry (young salmon) into Duffins Creek in Claremont Conservation Area.



Chris Robinson, co-ordinator of the Atlantic Salmon Restoration Program of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, works with High Bush Public School students Brian, Leah and Jyothiesha to implant salmon eggs in their "condo." Approximately four weeks from now the eggs will hatch.

OPG's New Chief Nuclear Officer

Glenn Jager, Senior Vice President of Pickering Nuclear has assumed the role of OPG's Chief Nuclear Officer, following the retirement of Wayne Robbins. Like Wayne, Glenn is devoted to ensuring the safe, reliable operation of the nuclear fleet at both the Pickering and Darlington stations, and

is a tireless champion of safety and performance excellence.

Glenn joined Ontario Hydro 33 years ago, and has held positions of increasing responsibility at both the Pickering and Darlington stations, including Director Operations and

Maintenance and Deputy Site Vice President at Darlington Nuclear. Glenn and his wife Leslie, and their children are long-time residents of Durham Region. Meet Pickering Nuclear's new Senior Vice President, Bryce Phillips on page 2.



**Bryce Phillips,
Senior Vice President,
Pickering Nuclear**

For many years I called Pickering my home and my wife and I raised our daughters here. Now, I'm proud to be back in the community

working with the skilled team at Pickering Nuclear.

After more than 30 years with Ontario Hydro/Ontario Power Generation, I am fortunate to have had a variety of experiences and opportunities across the company. This included serving as the Director of Operations and Maintenance at Darlington, and an assignment with the World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO) – an organization dedicated to achieving the highest standards of safety for the global nuclear industry.

Safety is and will always be OPG's number one priority. At the same time, we know there are other areas of our business where we can do better. For the past three years, OPG has been undergoing change initiatives focused on streamlining work processes, increasing efficiencies and reducing costs. In December 2013, we accepted a report by the Auditor General, which outlined specific findings related to our human resource policies. While the Auditor General's report noted our ongoing business transformation has set us on the right track, it highlighted areas where we need to do better and accelerate our efforts.

That's just what we're doing. Including here at Pickering Nuclear where we will continue to do our part to find efficiencies in our business, while upholding the highest standards of safety and reliability in our day-to-day operations.

I look forward to meeting you in the community,

Bryce

Focus on Emergency Response

In May, OPG will participate in a three-day emergency response exercise at Darlington Nuclear. More than 50 government agencies and regional organizations, including the governments of Canada and Ontario, the Region of Durham and Municipality of Clarington will take part. The focus of the exercise will be our emergency response capabilities. It will test how OPG works with our partners in the unlikely event of a nuclear emergency. The "Exercise Unified Response" will also test and assess the recent updates made to the Federal Nuclear Emergency Plan, since the Fukushima incident in 2011.

Public and employee safety is the primary goal in both the design and operation of Canadian nuclear generating stations. Conducting drills and practicing our response capabilities is an ongoing part of OPG's emergency preparedness program to ensure the health and safety of residents, OPG staff and the environment. More information will be shared with the community closer to the date of the exercise.

Pickering Program Wins the Art of Transition Sustainability Award

OPG Pickering Nuclear is a proud partner with the City of Pickering's "Sustainable Neighbourhoods" program. The program was recently recognized at the third annual Durham Art of Transition Creative Awards, winning the award for 'Best use of creativity to advance social and environmental sustainability'.

Launched in 2013, the City of Pickering's "Celebrating Sustainable Neighbourhoods" is an innovative, and now award-winning, community engagement effort that encourages neighbourhood groups to complete sustainable activities within their community.

Through this program, the City has seen neighbours unite for the greater good of the community, committing their time to projects and activities that contribute to a healthy environment, economy, and society.



ZERO INJURIES

Believe it. Achieve it.

Pickering Nuclear employees have worked more than 14 million hours without a lost-time injury – **the best ever safety record at the station.** And that's no accident. At OPG, we believe that Zero Injuries is achievable and that's something we are always striving for.

At the end of every shift, we want our employees to return home to their families in good health.



OPG Receives Canadian Electricity Association Safety Award

The Canadian Electricity Association (CEA) has recognized OPG with the Vice President's Award for Safety Excellence at the Bronze level. CEA Lifesaving Awards were also presented, recognizing the lifesaving efforts of Pickering Nuclear employee Jeff Williamson (pictured far right, with Steve Woods, OPG; Jim Burpee, CEA President and CEO; and Wayne Robbins, retired OPG Chief Nuclear Officer) and a group of Hydro employees from the Otto Holden Generating Station. Mr. Williamson was recognized for saving a co-worker who had collapsed and stopped breathing.

OPG Charity Campaign -18 Years of Giving



OPG employees and pensioners wrapped up another successful Charity Campaign last fall. In 2013, our 18th year of giving, more than \$1.6 million was pledged to deserving organizations.

Employees at Pickering Nuclear ran a variety of special events to augment their payroll pledges raising an additional \$10,000 for local organizations like Big Brothers Big Sisters Ajax Pickering, Herizon House and Dreams and Wishes.

OPG launches its winter water safety campaign

OPG's water safety public announcement takes viewers on a journey through a miniature world designed to illustrate the dangers of snowmobiling near dams and hydroelectric stations. Ignoring the posted signs that warn of thin ice becomes a dangerous mistake. Suddenly, the ice begins to crack and the snowmobilers are plunged into freezing cold water.

The 30-second TV ad will air between Jan. 20 and March 15 across Ontario and is complemented by a unique online campaign.

Visit stayclearstaysafe.ca for information about OPG's winter water safety campaign.

SAFE AND SECURE

As part of our normal station operations, OPG staff carefully transport low and intermediate level waste between our nuclear facilities in Durham Region and the Western Waste Management Facility in Kincardine. Each trip is completed safely by our team of skilled and experienced drivers. Recently we marked three million kilometres travelled without a preventable accident. That's the equivalent of going around the world 75 times! In addition to being well trained and experienced, all of OPG's drivers are evaluated by an external agency every two years.



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MARCH BREAK MADNESS²⁰¹⁴

Join us for fun, free and educational activities.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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ABORIGINAL LEGENDS WITH CHIEF TOP LEAF

WHEN: 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

WHERE: Pickering Nuclear Information Centre

GATHER AROUND FOR STORIES AND LEGENDS

Limited seating - Pre-registration required at
www.opg.com.

Programs begin promptly at above times; no late admittance.



THURS
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ZUMBA DANCE FUN

WHEN: 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

WHERE: Pickering Nuclear Information Centre

SHAKE THOSE WINTER CHILLS AWAY
WITH A FUN-FILLED ZUMBA SESSION!



TUES
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SPLISH, SPLASH, I WAS TAKING A SWIM

WHEN: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WHERE: Pickering Recreation Complex
1867 Valley Farm Road

LOTS OF SPLASHING, LAUGHING AND EXERCISE FOR ALL!

Admission is free during program hours. Swimming is on a
first-come, first-served basis due to pool capacity.



FRI
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LET'S TALK SCIENCE

WHEN: 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

WHERE: Pickering Nuclear Information Centre

CALLING ALL SCIENTISTS.

UNLOCK THE MYSTERY AND MAGIC OF SCIENCE

Limited seating - Pre-registration required at
www.opg.com.

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FAMILY FUN AT THE FARM

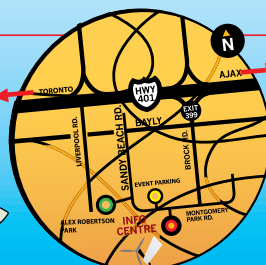
WHEN: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: WindReach Farm

JOIN US FOR SNOWSHOEING, WOOLLY FARM
ANIMALS, WAGON RIDES, AND MORE

As WindReach Farm is a charitable organization,
a \$20 donation is appreciated.

Food and refreshments available to buy.



For more information on our March Break program,
call the Pickering Nuclear Community
Info. Line at 905-837-7272
or visit www.opg.com.

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