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THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

If you track the lives of some of the individuals who were part of the history of the early church, you'll no doubt be familiar with the name of Barnabas. Barnabas appears in the early section of the book of Acts, and his life serves to illustrate a significant leadership skill set. Wherever you find him in the narrative, he is giving of himself to others. It is reported that he sold many of his personal assets to help take care of the pressing needs of early Christians. He sacrificed his reputation and risked his life taking a chance on Saul of Tarsus – the wild-eyed persecutor who later became known as the apostle Paul. And he put both his personal effectiveness and significant friendships on the line to continue to give a young disciple – John Mark by name – every chance to succeed.

Barnabas' name meant "son of encouragement", and he sure lived up to this definition! He gave of himself and shared his life with others, often asking nothing in return but the satisfaction that he had played a role in their success.

Like Barnabas, one of the most significant tasks that we undertake here at Summit is to pour ourselves into those who are growing into "leadership shoes." In fact, all of us as leaders, teachers, parents and friends steward this tremendous responsibility for the next generation. Someone once said that "we have no success without successors." When we share our knowledge and experience with the younger leaders in our lives, we're ensuring that another generation of leaders gets the

opportunity to learn from our experience, and that our contribution doesn't end with us.

And in case you wonder if the sacrifice into others' lives is worth it, permit me to share a personal example. I have dear friends today who poured into my life as a young kid (and later a college student) from an unchurched family. Today, the Christian influence in our family extends forward three generations! I have learned from their example the truth of the following quote (source unknown):

*If you want happiness for an hour, take a nap,
If you want happiness for a day, go fishing (or golfing),
If you want happiness for a year, inherit a fortune,
If you want happiness for a lifetime, pour into the lives of others!*

Dr. Dave Demchuk
President



REGISTRATION WEEK

Registration week is always a highlight for the majority of the student body and myself. This year was special. We had the biggest turnout at every event that was held that I have seen in my 4 years. You could tangibly feel the electrifying atmosphere of excitement that filled the campus. From move-in day to school going in full tilt, there was joy every step of the way and we could see lifelong friendships forming in just that first week.

- Riley Berthaudin, Student Council President



MEET OUR TEAM

Over the next while we want to introduce some of the members of our team. God has blessed Summit Pacific College with gifted and dedicated men and women who serve in various roles.

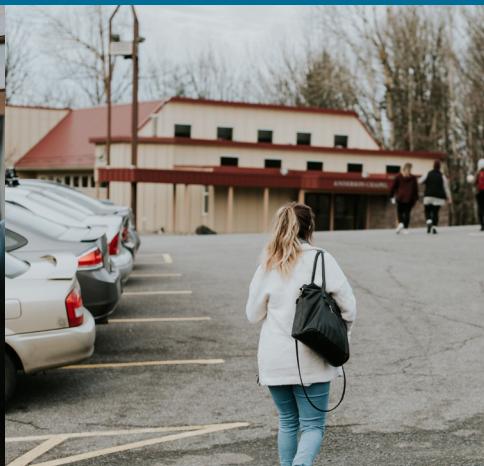


Roger Unrau (2002)

In his current role on Summit's lead team, Roger gives very effective oversight to two broad areas – finances and our campus facilities. As Director of Finance, he manages many aspects of our budget and reporting processes, as well as the administration required for student loans. He takes the lead in our strategic planning process for our campus and buildings, gives oversight to the projects we undertake in this area, and also manages the day-to-day activities that keep our campus looking pristine and operating smoothly.

Gerry Rehder (2001)

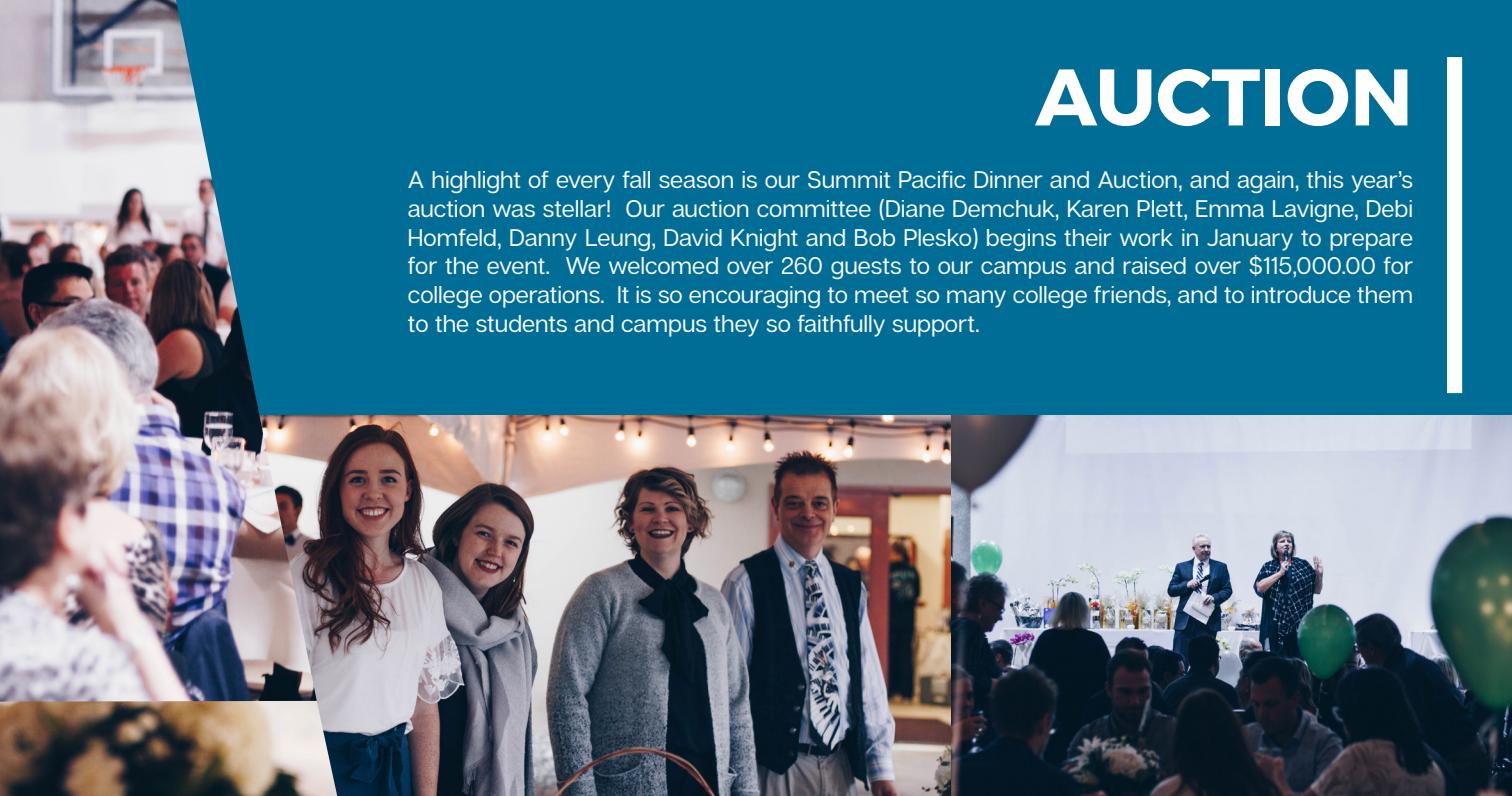
Gerry is a valued member of our administration team. His role covers three main areas here at Summit. As a faculty member, he is the Director of Student Ministries. Gerry coordinates, administers and follows up on each student's ministry involvement – in fact, we have estimated that Summit students contribute over 30,000 hours in churches and para-church ministry in the Lower Mainland during the college year. Closely connected to this area is his involvement in the administration of our Student Life department and other areas of the college. He also serves in the area of college assessment, ensuring many of these processes are conducted and evaluated in a timely manner.





AUCTION

A highlight of every fall season is our Summit Pacific Dinner and Auction, and again, this year's auction was stellar! Our auction committee (Diane Demchuk, Karen Plett, Emma Lavigne, Debi Homfeld, Danny Leung, David Knight and Bob Plesko) begins their work in January to prepare for the event. We welcomed over 260 guests to our campus and raised over \$115,000.00 for college operations. It is so encouraging to meet so many college friends, and to introduce them to the students and campus they so faithfully support.



SPC PARTNERSHIP WITH PAOC & IM GLOBAL

A new venture on campus is the GlobalEd Institute which will facilitate equipping ministries for PAOC's global vision. Led by the Director for GlobalEd, Dr. Kirk Kauffeldt, and the GlobalEd team, the Institute will provide equipping for global workers in Canada as well as ministry, mission and leadership equipping solutions around the world. In Canada, the focus will be on structured non-formal training through SEGUE and modules for global workers and in the future opportunities for Mission Exposure and Engagement. Overseas, the focus will be on similar training for regions where there is no access to training for ministry, with particular focus on training 'untrained' pastors. Professional Development Services will be offered as we seek to address global missional needs and realities.

For more information, contact Dr. Kirk Kauffeldt (kkauffeldt@summitpacific.ca) or Nancy Gibson (ngibson@summitpacific.ca) and see the SPC Catalogue pg. 37.

We offer Master's level biblical and theological studies from a Pentecostal perspective. Our flexible and affordable study program is taught by practicing and publishing professors, and leads to a Graduate Certificate in Pentecostal Studies. The certificate courses are part of the theological education requirements for credentialing within the PAOC. We have credit transfer agreements with three partner institutions (ACTS Seminaries, Regent College, and Southeastern University) where our students can complete their Master's degree.

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Our upcoming courses include the following:

THEO 505 | Pentecostal Preaching in Post-Christian Culture

Dr. Mick Nelson

January 10-11; January 31 – February 1

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NPOL 512 | Financial Management for NPOL: Fund Principles & Practices

Kory Sorensen

February 19-22

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BIBE 501 | Contemporary and Pentecostal Approaches to Biblical Texts

Dr. Riku Tuppurainen

February 25-28

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NPOL 513 | NPOL Human Resource Management

Kory Sorensen

March 19-22

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THEO 504 | Canadian Pentecostal History

Dr. Michael Wilkinson

March 13-15

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BIBE 612 | Studies in Pauline Writings: Doctrine and Spirit for Today's Church

Dr. Dave Demchuk

April 11-13

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Summit Pacific College Graduation Ceremony will be held Friday, April 26, 2019 at 6:30 pm at Christian Life Assembly, 21277 – 56th Avenue, Langley, BC.

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