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CUC bade farewell to 96 graduates during the Convocation Ceremonies held on April 28 to 30 at the College Heights SDA Church. Guest speakers included Gordon E. Pifer, MDiv, President of the British Columbia Conference; Orville D. Parchment, MDiv, MPH, Assistant to the President at the General Conference; and Warren C. Trenchard, PhD, Provost at La Sierra University. It was a weekend of celebration as the graduates reached a milestone in their lives. As they go their separate ways, three graduates reflect on their CUC experience and look forward to what the future brings.

Graduation

Photos courtesy of the Office of Academic Administration

I first stepped onto the "hilltop" in September 1999 from Chicago, Illinois. With a big city mentality of guarded cynicism, I was caught off guard by the genuineness, caring, and love that permeated the campus. I quickly grew



to appreciate it, though, and my pessimism melted away. In that first year I learned more about Jesus, made lasting friendships, and even met my wife! I didn't immediately

continue my education, but after a few years I could hear CUC calling me back, and by 2003 I returned to continue my studies. I've recently earned my Bachelor's degree and have bigger plans than I ever dreamed. I'm not the man I once was and I credit Jesus' work through the people on this campus for that transformation.

-Martin M. Perez (pictured above right) graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in General Studies, entering the Loma Linda University Master of Science program in Marital and Family Therapy this Fall.

As I started my senior year, it was with a somewhat sad feeling as I realized that this would be the last time I would come back from a summer of doing different activities and once again resume classes. Graduation weekend, however, which crept up all too quickly, made it all worthwhile. The weekend was more than I imagined it would be. From the incredible speakers, spending time with family and friends, and finally hearing my own name called, it was indeed a realization of a goal. God has indeed blessed me as I have been able to put my new education to work as a pastor in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference. I know that there are many uncertainties when starting a new career and a new life, but it is with excitement that I look to the future. For I know that God, who has brought each of the graduates to this point, has an exciting future planned for us.

-Ted Deer (pictured far right) graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies and is currently a pastor for the Prince Albert and Shellbrook SDA Churches in Saskatchewan.



As I entered into my last year at CUC, I realized that my time here had flown by way faster than I expected or wanted it to. Coming to CUC as a freshman in 2002, I had doubts and misgivings about attending a small university, but they were soon swept away as I realized the environment here is truly a blessing. The teachers are spiritual leaders, encouraging, and always willing to guide and assist. The varied programs and leadership opportunities available are amazing. Getting involved in ministry, going on worldwide trips, having small class sizes and stimulating classmates, being in a spiritual environment, top quality instruction and practical classes have all given me a strong base to continue on in graduate school and the work field. Having a beautiful graduation ceremony this spring again showed me how wonderful my time was here, and how I will miss everything about CUC.

-Jennifer Agrey (pictured left with fiancé Matt Brucks) graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and plans to pursue a Master's degree in Speech & Language Pathology

Music Tours



Destination: Bermuda - beaches, palm trees, sun and fun! That's what comes to mind when one goes on an island vacation. For the CUC and PAA Choral Union, it was all that topped off with a mission to spread the love of God through music.

After several fundraisers, the group was able to make their mission destination a reality. Sixty-four students and sponsors left the campus on April 28. In Bermuda, the group was accommodated by the Sommerset Seventh-day Adventist Church, welcoming them to stay in their fellowship hall. With four bathrooms and a large kitchen, the group was ready to "camp" on the hall floor and sing to the people of the 21 square mile island of Bermuda.

In their ten days on the island, the group performed twelve times. They sang to two church congregations; one at a Seventh-day Adventist church and another at the largest Methodist church on the island. The choir also presented two concerts at Bermuda Institute and at the end of the week was invited to perform at their choir festival! Willowbank Hotel, owned and operated by Christians, also invited the choir to perform for their guests.

The main performances, however, were for an evangelistic series held on the west end of the island. Every

evening, the choir sang two or three songs. Choir director, Dr. Wendolin Munroe shares, "As we rode buses each day, people asked us where we were from. We shared that we were from CUC/PAA in Canada and performing each evening at the evangelistic series in the big tent on the Naval Recreation Field. Even some of the bus drivers showed up at the series to hear us."

Dr. Munroe continues to say, "Mission accomplished! All year we, as a choir, talked about our trip to Bermuda as being a "mission" trip. The concerts were outstanding and at a very professional level. The conduct and co-operation of our students was exceptional. Students prayed with people on the streets and in the public buses and all in all were just an incredible presence and witness for God, CUC/PAA and the series."

As the group returned on May 8 to the cooler climate of Alberta, one couldn't help but notice the sunburned, but happy faces of the bunch. Even a stranger commented, "This group must be Christian! They just have such a peaceful look on their faces." Yes, indeed, despite medical struggles by some members, the group only drew closer and felt that they accomplished a great mission of spreading God's love through song.



In May 2006 the CUC Silverwinds band under the direction of Joanne Andersson set out on an eleven day tour of northwestern British Columbia, the panhandle of Alaska, and Yukon Territory. They covered a lot of mileage, performing in small churches in Williams Lake, Prince George, and Terrace, British Columbia. Upon reaching Prince Rupert, they set off on the first of several journeys, visiting Ketchikan, Juneau, and Skagway, Alaska before cutting across the Chilkoot Pass to Whitehorse, Yukon.

These small churches were delighted to have the Silverwinds, and their response was extremely warm. At each point in the trip, the band explored the area and participated in diverse activities, from an "undersea" journey, observing a totem poll carver at his art, to panning for gold at a historic mine site. The members of the band shared a great camaraderie, the membership containing a unique blend of the young to the young-at-heart from many walks of life. During the journey home, the travelers were able to soak their bones in the lovely, natural Liard Hot Springs. Each member left somewhat touched by the call of the north, desiring to answer that call and return one day to further explore this gorgeous part of the world.

Photo and article by Joanne Andersson, Silverwinds Director



Employment Opportunities at CUC

CUC is inviting qualified individuals to submit a resume for the following positions:

From the Office of Advancement. . .

Development Support Specialist

The Support Specialist will have developed skills in desktop publishing including software programs such as Page-Maker, InDesign, Microsoft Office, Photoshop, etc., database management, and administrative secretarial skills. Qualified candidates should send a letter of application, a resumé, and names of three references along with contact information to: Brian Leavitt, Vice President for Advancement; Tel: 403/782.3381, x4010; Fax: 403/782.5675; E-mail: bleavitt@cauc.ca.

Fundraiser

The Fundraiser will possess skills that will develop donor relations, work with alumni class gifting, engage individual and corporate donors and perform grant writing. Qualified candidates should send a letter of application, a resumé, and names of three references along with contact information to: Brian Leavitt, Vice President for Advancement; Tel: 403/782.3381, x4010; Fax: 403.782.5675; E-mail: bleavitt@cauc.ca.

From the Office of Academic Administration. . .

Professor of Education

A tenure-track position as an Assistant, Associate or Full Professor of Education, depending on background, education and experience is available. Qualified candidates should send a letter of application, a curriculum vitae and names and contact information of three references to: Dr. Loren Agrey, Vice President for Academic Administration; Tel: 403/782.3381; Fax; 403/782.3170; E-mail: lagrey@cauc.ca.

From the Student Finance Office. . .

Secretary/Receptionist

This individual services the broad sector of customers to the Finance Office including students from CUC, PAA, and LLU and the faculty and staff of those schools. The successful individual will be a skilled communicator, able to manage simultaneous projects, and computer literate in Word, Excel, and Publisher. Interested candidates should send a letter of application, resumé, and names of three references along with contact information to: Debra Chenowith, Director for Student Finance; Tel: 403/782.3381, x4017; Fax: 403/782.4107; E-mail: dchenowi@cauc.ca.



From the Cafeteria. . .

A “casual” position is available for all kitchen positions, someone who is willing to learn all aspects of cooking, salad preparation and supervision. This position to commence August 15th or sooner. The successful candidates for these positions will be paid on an hourly rate. For more information on these positions, please contact: Brenda Hodgins, Director of Food Services; Tel: 403/782.3381, ext. 4070; E-mail: bhodgins@cauc.ca.

A detailed description of all positions can be found at www.cauc.ca. From the “quick access list”, choose “employment opportunities.”

CUC SNAPSHOTS

Campus in action

Right: Graduates Sharon Cunningham and David Smith.

Below: Dr. Reo Ganson presented medallions to Matt Brucks, Mathew Feely and Olivier Drouin for high academic achievement.



Left: Cherlee Wirtz and Melissa Eek showing off their 2005-06 Aurora Borealis yearbook with the theme Full Throttle.

Below: Students line up to receive their yearbooks after watching the yearbook DVD.



Above: Elissa Potts, Nicole Bartolay and Melody Ilacas cheering their favourites at the Canada vs. World Basketball game during the Year End Celebration.

Left: Andrea Gray makes a basket for the CUC women's team in a game against the PAA women.



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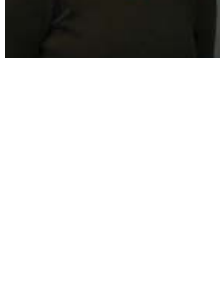
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Last impression. . .

Gord Montgomery and his daughter at Graduation

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Events Calendar

July 20 - August 2
Summer Session IV

August 8
Last day to pre-book courses for Fall 2006

New and returning students, pre-book your courses at the Office of the Registrar before the deadline. Contact them by email at registry@cauc.ca or by phone at 403/782.3381 ext. 4026.

September 1-3
New Student Orientation

If you're a new student at CUC, come join us for this wonderful event! It's a great time to get to know other students, gain an introduction to college life and get a head start to the school year. Contact the Student Services office for more information or to register. Call them at 403/782.3381 ext. 4033.

September 5
Registration Day: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the PE Centre

Be on time and skip the long lines! There will be prizes for those who complete all the Student Services stops!

