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88th Annual General

DINNER MEETING

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Our Chamber Network's New X-Factor



Featuring Val Litwin,
CEO of BC
Chamber of Commerce

Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2019

Cascades Casino Coast Hotel & Convention Centre
20393 Fraser Hwy., Langley

Members: \$35.00 + GST
or
General admission:
\$55.00 + GST

**Networking: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm (dinner)
with presentation to follow.**

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BEFORE 5:00 PM
ON FRIDAY, SEPT. 13, 2019**

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Event payment is due upon registration. No cancellations, refunds or credits
after 12:00 pm on Monday, Sept. 16, 2019.*

GET TO KNOW A LANGLEY CHAMBER MEMBER...

Trinity Western Spartans

In the fall of 1999, Trinity Western University took a dramatic step onto Canada's largest and most prominent collegiate sporting stage.

The Spartans came alongside the biggest and best athletic departments in the country to join what is now called U SPORTS – the governing body for Canada's top tier of university sports.

Twenty years later, Langley's very own Spartans have solidified themselves as a sports superpower, regularly winning national championships and consistently sending players on to compete internationally, while still remaining ever-focused on giving back both locally and abroad.

Since 1999, the Spartans have captured 12 national championships (U SPORTS) and 27 conference titles (Canada West), with eight different teams winning at least one Canada West crown and three different sides winning it all at nationals.

Beyond our borders, TWU's student-athletes have regularly represented Canada in competitions around the world, including at world championships, Olympic Games, and everything in between.

This past summer alone, the Spartans were flung far and wide, as no fewer than 24 Spartans and three coaches – including both alumni and current athletes – represented their countries in international competitions, including in volleyball, basketball, soccer, rugby and track and field.

For TWU, the Spartans'



monumental success within the field of play has helped launch a pair of game-changing additions to the athletic department.

Starting in the fall of 2020, the Spartans men's and women's hockey teams will join Canada West and U SPORTS, bringing TWU into a prestigious group of universities playing at the highest level of collegiate hockey in Canada. In addition, TWU recently introduced men's and women's rugby to the Spartans' buffet, launching the school into a new stratosphere of international reach.

Outside the lines, the Spartans remain stead-

fast in their desire to help build up the community of Langley and communities around the world. Locally, the Spartans have partnered with various organizations, including with the Langley chapter of Special Olympics, the Langley Soup Kitchen, McHappy Day, Nightshift, BC Cancer Society and the Salvation Army. With their involvement, TWU's student-athletes, which include no less than 25 from Langley, aim to give back to the local community in a variety of ways. Spartan Athletics is also coming off a record-setting summer for Spartan Camps, with Spartan coaches and student-athletes hosting

nearly 500 local kids over a number of weeks in various sports camps.

Abroad, the Spartans have partnered with a variety of organizations and have recently sent teams on service trips to places like Peru, Paraguay, Swaziland, Benin, Haiti and China.

As an athletic department, the Spartans have also helped drive a wave of school spirit that has created an exciting environment at TWU's home games for both families and students alike.

This year, as the Spartans celebrate their 20th anniversary within U SPORTS, TWU will welcome a school-record 290 student-athletes to Langley. The 2019-20 season is set to be yet another special season for the Spartans with more students, more sports and more community engagement than ever before.





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UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

SAVE the date

- Sept. 12 U40 Lunch & Learn
- Sept. 17 88th Annual General Dinner Meeting
- Sept. 25 Lunch & Learn
- Sept. 26 Business After Hours Mixer
- Sept. 30 All-Candidates Meeting
Cloverdale-Langley City riding
Kwantlen Polytechnic University
6 to 8 p.m.
- Oct. 1 All-Candidates Meeting
Aldergrove-Langley riding
Township of Langley Civic Facility
– Fraser River Presentation Theatre
6 to 8 p.m.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

How time flies... Thanks for everything

When I joined the Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce board as vice-president just over four years ago, I was honoured and excited for such an amazing opportunity to support and serve our fantastic business community.



As my term as president of the Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce comes to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our past, present, and future boards of directors, committee members, and past presidents for the relentless and sometimes thankless volunteer work that you do.

During my term as president, I have had the pleasure of representing our members at the provincial and national level, continuing the great work that our chamber has been known for.

We have increased the membership, enhanced learning opportunities, and

provided almost 100 networking opportunities for our members.

My gratitude to the "hardest working" staff in show business: Kristi Maier, Summer McCulley, Christina Hudson, Jaclyn Van den Berg, and our CEO, Colleen Clark.

I am confident that our chamber will continue to be a leader in the Lower Mainland, province, and the nation with this team on board!

Last, I wish to thank you, the membership.

We are the fifth largest chamber in the province of British Columbia, with 1,040 member businesses because of your engagement, support, and commitment to the Langley business community.

Without your support, none of this is possible!

Our 88th annual general meeting takes place on Sept. 17, when I will hand over the presidency to

Brad Kiendl of Ashdown Capital.

Please join us for our AGM as we vote in the new board, provide you with an update of the financial position of the chamber, and hear from the CEO and president of the BC Chamber of Commerce, Val Litwin.

Let your voice be heard

Transportation has been and continues to be an issue in Langley, with growth far exceeding the infrastructure.

Now is your chance to have your voice heard by TransLink.

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opportunity to have your voice heard by TransLink.

Please take the survey at www.transport2050.ca and help us improve transportation for the Langleys.

Join us as we celebrate 23 years of business excellence in Langley.

Our Business Excellence Awards are fast approaching on Oct. 24, and we invite you to join us at the celebration.

Tickets are now on sale and we still have a few sponsorship opportunities available.

Please contact our team at the office for further details.

– Jack Nicholson, president



Welcome to the newest Langley Chamber members

(Left to right) Scotiabank, SAFE HAVEN Standardbred Adoption Society, Your Picture Studio, and Focus West Logistics. (Missing) Cintas Canada Ltd., Crystalline Glass Ltd., DFI Forensics Inc., Douglas College Training Group WorkBC, Emerald Landscapes, Oakhill Counselling and Mediation Services, Segra International Corp., and Smiling Hearts Yoga & Fitness Ltd.



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