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The Bethany College Connection:

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New Year Begins at Bethany College!

Bethany College Student Body 2012-13

The once quiet halls of Bethany College are now buzzing with activity with the return of students. We are excited to welcome 59 new College Freshman students this fall, coming from British Columbia, Ontario, Alberta, Northwest Territories, Manitoba and Saskatchewan! It is great to see returning students and new students interacting through the various orientation events that are planned to help in their adjustment to College life.

Within these activities, we hosted "Parent Orientation," which provides an opportunity for parents to be more fully informed of what and who Bethany College is. At this event, Gil Dueck (Instructor in Theology, pictured below) presented information on how Bethany College desires to transform students' lives through discipleship within community. He shared how our two year Diploma program has three key objectives; namely, to:

1. Provide an understanding of central Christian convictions through the study of the Bible, theology and other relevant disciplines.
2. Guide students through a process of focused identity exploration with a view to discerning future directions.
3. Help students to see their skills and abilities as part of their "calling" and challenge them to use those gifts in service to others.

Gil Dueck, Instructor in Theology

Parents learned more about the life stage their son/daughter is entering and how Bethany is supporting students in the midst of this. Bethany College is a place that allows students to have the opportunity to navigate through the questions of life within the safe community environment.

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Food Services Team

Students and parents were in awe of all the various changes on campus, from the Kitchen renovation to the retrofit of Classroom B161. Our brand new renovated Kitchen was a flurry of activity as the Food Services Team prepared for all the students and their parents! It was fun to observe the laughter and camaraderie around the tables as students and parents enjoyed yummy food and connected with faculty and staff. If you haven't a chance to view our new Kitchen or experience a Bethany meal, feel free to stop by -- you will not regret it! Thanks to all the many donors, alumni and volunteers who made these projects become a reality!

The 2012-13 college year is starting off well, and we are excited to continue to see how God changes lives here to make a difference in our world! For further details of Bethany College events, please check out our website, www.bethany.sk.ca.

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