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Jedi performance of food and beverage service

Penticton BC: It's been a busy month at the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre. Global Spectrum Facility Management has welcomed more than 10,000 delegates and patrons to the facility, in just 29 days.

The Penticton Trade and Convention Centre played host to major conventions and events, including the Canadian Quilters' Association, Emergency Vehicle Technicians Association, BC Fire Training Officers Association, Fire Chiefs' Association of BC, Association of Canadian Community Colleges, Educational Facility Managers Association of BC and Battlefield Fight League. Since May 11, the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre served 679 breakfasts, 4,140 lunches, 2,031 dinners and 6,171 desserts. This equates to 800 pounds of potatoes, served in six different styles, 800 pounds of vegetables and 1,200 pounds of protein, in the form of chicken, salmon, beef and pork.

"From wild salmon dinners to chicken and rib barbecues, we've been cooking up a storm" noted Paul Johnston, Director of Food and Beverage. "Our goal is to take catering from conventional to unconventional. We do this by reinventing banquets, by carefully tailoring menus to our clients' needs and think beyond the basic banquet." Johnston added that, "Last week, a client themed their dinner after the Star Wars film series. We jumped on the opportunity to transport delegates out of this world. We served C-3PO chicken with R-2D2 dip, Chewbacca nachos and Jabba the Hut coffee."

In this day and age, menus can't be cookie cutter. Johnston explained that, "You have to be ready to accommodate dietary requirements and preferences. And that's exactly what we do. From gluten-free meals to vegetarian options, we take great pride in accommodating our clients' unique needs and requests."

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