



## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2011

*This past year there have been several changes to our Foundation board. On behalf of the board, I would like to welcome Mr. Herb Durda, Mr. Byron Martin and Mr. Dick Mastel. These men bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the team.*

*The Year 2010 certainly brought with it some challenging economic times, however, the Foundation still showed a positive growth in assets. Once again our annual golf tournament was a huge success. Many thanks to all our volunteers, sponsors and, of course, registered golfers. I would like to acknowledge the many people who participate in our fundraising activities within the school district. The board is grateful for all of your contributions.*

*During this past year we lost two of our founding Foundation members. Please take a moment to read the tributes to these gentlemen.*

Rob Stroh, Vice Chair

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Bernie Lyczewski, Chair

Rob Story, Vice Chair

Dick Mastel, Trustee Representative

Greg MacPherson, Secretary Treasurer

Herb Durda, Director

Russ Holowachuk, Director

Byron Martin, Director

Allan O'Byrne, Director

### NEW DIRECTORS WELCOMED TO THE FOUNDATION BOARD

**Mr. Herb Durda** was appointed to the Foundation in March 2010. Herb and his wife Dianne, a retired teacher, have 3 children. Herb is a business owner and brings a wealth of community experience to the work of the Foundation. He is involved with the Knights of Columbus, Camp McCoy, Citizen Advocacy, is a founding member of the Downtown Business Association, and volunteers for a number of community events.

**Mr. Byron Martin** was appointed to the Foundation in January 2010. Byron and his wife Sharon, a teacher in the Catholic School Division, have 3 children. Byron has worked with Canada Safeway for 35 years and is very involved in the community. He has volunteered his time with the Lion's Club for many years and serves as President of the Friends of McCoy Society. In his spare time, Byron enjoys fishing, golfing and biking.

**Mr. Richard (Dick) Mastel** was appointed to the Foundation in January 2010, and in October 2010 was elected to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Mastel will continue working with the Foundation as Trustee Representative. Dick and his wife Debbie have 5 children and 8 grandchildren. Dick taught in the classroom for a few years before moving on into business ventures. He volunteers his time with the Optimist Club and serves on many committees in the community.

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### OUR PURPOSE

*"To enhance Catholic Christian leadership in the schools and communities within the Medicine Hat Catholic School Division."*

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**TRIBUTE TO MR. TED BULANDA**  
**Founding Director 1997—2006**

Mr. Bulanda provided many years of exemplary service to the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education as a Trustee (1969-1995).

Ted was instrumental in organizing the Foundation from its inception in 1997 and committed much time and effort to all areas of its development. He was the first Chairman and he served as a Director until 2006 when he did not seek reappointment. He did, however, continue to be actively involved serving as chairman of a special fundraising venture which continues to support the new Youth Ministry Program.

Ted was a great supporter of the Foundation's annual golf tournament and worked tirelessly to promote the event soliciting sponsors and overseeing many on-course activities.

Mr. Bulanda's passing is a real loss to the Medicine Hat Catholic community.

**PAYROLL 50/50 DRAW**

This past year approximately \$5,000 was invested in the Foundation to further Catholic Christian leadership development of our staff and students. The following employees were pleased to have their name drawn and win 50% of the proceeds.

**Winners (January to December 2010):**

- January** - Della Dewald (Central Office) - \$447.50
- February** - Judy Graham (St. Louis) - \$445.00
- March** - Greg Martin (St. Mary) - \$447.50
- April** - Wayne Deis (Notre Dame) - \$450.00
- May** - Janine McLeod (Mother Teresa) - \$450.00
- June** - Jodi Churla (Trustee) - \$450.00
- July** - Jill Rebbeck (McCoy) - \$310.00
- August** - Shawna Wogrinc (St. Patrick) - \$305.00
- September** - Susan Flanagan (Mother Teresa) - \$415.00
- October** - Cathy Wright (St. Mary's) - \$452.50
- November** - Andrea Finlay (St. Patrick's) - \$462.50
- December** - Shannon English (St. Mary's) - \$475.00

**TRIBUTE TO MR. ARCHIE MACPHAIL**  
**Founding Director 1998—2009**

Mr. MacPhail was one of the original members of the Foundation in 1998 and served as director until 2009, when he did not seek another term due to ill health.

Archie was actively involved in the Foundation's initial organization and development. He was an active participant in all areas of the Foundation from chairing meetings to presenting grant cheques to students, to flipping buffalo burgers at the annual Foundation golf tournament. His primary passion was to advance Catholic Christian ideals in the lives of students in the division.

Upon Mr. MacPhail's passing, \$8,088.00 in donations were received in his memory. These funds have been designated to the Foundation endowment fund to help sustain future endeavors.

Archie's presence will be missed but his legacy will continue to live on through the Archie MacPhail Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded annually to a Monsignor McCoy student who displays Catholic Christian leadership skills.

**8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT - June 4, 2010**

The Foundation annual fundraising golf tournament was held on Friday, June 4, at Cottonwood Coulee Golf Course in Medicine Hat. The outpouring of community support was very encouraging and just under \$10,000 was raised to support the work of the Foundation!

It was a very relaxed day and the golfers enjoyed the challenge of a variety of hole competitions and activities. The odds were in their favour if they purchased a 'hand wedge' coupon which entitled them to "toss" the ball—just once— from anywhere on the course! Unfortunately no one was able to accomplish a Hole in One and take home the prize. Maybe next year!

The Putting Green Competition was a popular event and the money raised went to the St. Vincent de Paul Society to meet identified needs in the community.

Friday, June 3, 2011, has been booked for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament.

## ★ NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

### PAT CULLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

#### St. Mary's School – Math Awards

The originator of the Pat Cullen Memorial Scholarship has chosen to make changes to the scholarship. Next year (2011) the scholarship funding will be directed to math students at St. Mary's School.

- Highest achievement in math for Grades 7, 8 & 9  
\$200 per student
- Second highest achievement in math for Grades 7, 8 & 9  
\$100 per student

*Pat Cullen was born near Fredericton, New Brunswick and was raised on a family farm where he learned his incredible work ethic. His parents were devout Catholics and his mother Frances won the Order of Canada for her charitable works which became a focus for Pat too as he was always helping those in need. He came to Alberta in the early 1980's and taught math for over 20 years at St. Mary's Junior High School. He was well respected by students and colleagues for his amazing intelligence and passion for teaching. He had a spiritual "mysticism" about him and was very connected to God. He loved to be in nature and was an avid outdoorsman. He passed away in 2003.*

### SISTER JOAN BURNS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

#### St. Mary's School – Religious Studies Awards

- Highest Achievement in Religious Studies for Grades 7, 8 & 9 - \$200 per student
- Second Highest Achievement in Religious Studies for Grades 7, 8 & 9 - \$100 per student

*Sister Joan Burns grew up in Saskatchewan and following teachers college became a teacher at St. Mary's Junior High School in the early 1980's. She taught for over 20 years focusing on religious studies. She was warm and compassionate with students but could put the fear of God into anyone who rubbed her the wrong way! She had a unique ability to get the most from her students and was highly respected by students and fellow staff members. She belonged to the Sisters Charity of St. Louis and upon retirement from her teaching career at St. Mary's Junior High School became the caretaker for elderly nuns in Calgary and was incredibly passionate with her fellow sisters. She had become a student of natural medicine and practiced reflexology which she enjoyed immensely as she often gave treatments to her elderly sisters with loving service. She passed away in 2009.*

## REGULATIONS GOVERNING REGISTERED CHARITIES

### "Flow Through Funds"

The Foundation has had to make some changes in the way it operates. As of September 2010, we can no longer "flow through" funds from individuals to specific school projects. The regulations governing registered charities states that charities cannot "flow through" donations to other organizations. It can only disperse donations to other registered charities or to their own projects.

Individuals and organizations are welcome and encouraged to donate to the Foundation and will be issued a tax receipt for their donation to the Foundation but need to recognize that their donation will not be flowed through to a specified school or project.

Schools are welcome to submit a proposal that outlines how the Foundation could be involved in their event or project. Proposals may be considered if they meet the criteria of the Foundation's mandate to "enhance Catholic Christian leadership".

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