

# MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2013

The Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation was established in 1996 by a group of individuals with a desire to find ways to support the Catholic School Division. The directors, all volunteers and leaders in our Catholic community, are committed to Catholic education.

The Foundation's largest financial commitment to date was to support a Youth Ministry program in partnership with the Division and local Catholic parishes. This program has now concluded and we are grateful to have been able to contribute almost \$44,000 to this program. We trust it made a difference in the faith journey of our students. Our thanks goes to Lance Rosen for his leadership and influence with the students!

The Foundation is continually re-evaluating its mandate so that it might best respond to the needs in the Division. This past year, the Foundation broadened its mandate and will now receipt and allocate funds earmarked to enhance educational activities within the schools in the division. Please read more about this opportunity for giving on page 3 (Revised Donation Guidelines) and also in the enclosed brochure, *Changing Lives*. With this new way of funding grants, we were able to support projects in our schools to the tune of \$13,100 this year. The Foundation continues to look for new opportunities to support our schools which are in line with our mandate.

The Foundation was pleased to be part of the division Centennial which celebrated a century of Catholic education and service in the community. We worked together to integrate the 10th Annual Golf Tournament with the 100 Year Celebration Weekend of events and we were especially pleased to welcome Bishop Frederick Henry to participate in the tournament!

The golf tournament continues to be our major annual fundraising event and has been very successful to date. Over \$100,000 has been raised over the past 10 years. The continued success of the Foundation depends on the generosity of community businesses and people like you who are willing to invest in Catholic school education!

We are happy to be able to offer a newly established scholarship in memory of Tom Anderson who served as Assistant Secretary Treasurer with the Division. The Foundation currently offers 10 different scholarships to students. Another way to invest in the lives of our students!

We would love to hear from you if you have ideas on how you might like to get involved with the Foundation.

*Bernie Lyczewski, Chair*  
*on behalf of -*  
*Rob Stroh, Vice Chair*  
*Kelly Van Ham, Trustee Representative*  
*Greg MacPherson, Secretary Treasurer*  
*Herb Durda, Director*  
*Byron Martin, Director*  
*Allan O'Byrne, Director*



### OUR PURPOSE

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

*The Foundation is a registered non profit organization and registered charity with Revenue Canada.*

## GRANTS AWARDED IN 2012

### **One to One Computer Project (St. Michael's BI) - \$5,000**

Donated funds used to purchase laptops for grade 9-12 student's to access online learning.

### **CTS Equipment Upgrade (St. Michael's BI) - \$2,000**

Donated funds used to update and purchase wood working equipment and materials in order to increase the emphasis on CTS options in the school.

### **St. Patrick's Outdoor Classroom Project (St. Patrick's) - \$3,600**

A space used by teachers to bring learning to the outdoors, allowing the students to benefit from fresh air, movement, and hands-on learning in a beautiful green setting.

### **Sound System (St. Michael's BI) - \$1,000**

Donation used to install a sound system in the gymnasium to replace outdated portable system.

### **SPICE Conference (Religious Education) - \$3,000**

Funds were used to register 6 division staff members to attend the SPICE 'Shared Purpose in Catholic Education' Conference.

### **Alberta Student Leadership Convention (St. Michael's BI) - \$540**

Four individuals attended the convention and had opportunity to gain leadership skills as they worked and shared with other students from across the province.

### **Children's Choir Festival (École St. Thomas) - \$500**

Funds used toward transportation costs. Children participated in Choir Festival and performed at a Calgary hospital.

### **Grade 6 Retreat (École St. Thomas) - \$300**

The students went to Camp McCoy to participate in activities to develop their leadership skills and strengthen their relationship with God.

### **Alice in Wonderland Jr Production (St. Mary's) - \$500**

Donated funds used to offset production costs.

### **Missoula Children's Theatre (St. Michael's BI) - \$1,000**

Donated funds used to offset costs of student's participation in Missoula Children's Theatre residency program.

## OPTIONS FOR GIVING

Please refer to Foundation brochure  
**CHANGING LIVES**

If you would like more information about partnering with us in the work of *Changing Lives* in the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education, please contact us to discuss options for involvement. Call 403-502-8351.

**Thank you for your interest!**

## REVISED DONATION & GRANT GUIDELINES

The Foundation continues to evolve in response to the needs of the Division, and has made a decision to fund Catholic Christian leadership initiatives as well as opportunities to enhance educational activities within the schools in the division. This means schools can submit project requests to the Foundation for consideration and donations received which are earmarked for that project may be eligible to receive a tax receipt.

Note: A foundation can only disburse funds to other registered charities or to their own projects.

### Guidelines for Applications

- Schools are welcome to submit a proposal that outlines how the Foundation could be involved in their event or project. The Foundation will consider all grant applications and details should be given as to how the Foundation can be specifically involved (i.e. transportation cost, book purchase, etc.).
- If the request is for an education activity or event, a grant application should be submitted in a timely manner to coincide with scheduled Foundation meetings. If the request is time sensitive, a decision can be made via email with directors.
- Once approval is received, school may advise stakeholders that they may donate to the Foundation with a preference for the specified project.
- Funds donated to the Foundation will be eligible for tax receipts, subject to Foundation policies.
- Funds will be collected for each project and paid for the specified project in accordance with the request. Excess funds will be retained within the Foundation for use on future projects at that school. It will be the responsibility of the school to cover any shortfall in funds.
- Individuals and organizations are welcome and encouraged to donate to the Foundation.

## FUNDRAISING EVENT 10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Friday, June 8th, the Foundation 10th Annual Golf Tournament and the Division 100th Year Celebration combined to make this a memorable event! 124 golfers came out to enjoy the day at Cottonwood Coulee Golf Course.

The tournament is the foundation's major fundraising event of the year and we are thankful the community rallied together and **over \$13,000 was raised** to continue the work of the foundation. The Putting Green Competition generated \$360 which went to support the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

A BIG THANK YOU to all volunteers, financial sponsors, prize sponsors, and golfers who participated and helped to make this event a success.

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament**  
**Friday, June 14, 2013**  
*Cottonwood Coulee Golf Course*

## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Scholarships can be established to support students as they venture out into post secondary education. Tax receipts issued for donations.

**\*NEW\* Tom Anderson Memorial Scholarship (\$500)** - available to a Grade 12 student who is planning to pursue a career in Business and is registered in business related post secondary program.

**Agriculture Incentive Scholarship (\$250)** - available to Grade 12 student at St. Michael's School in Bow Island who has registered in agricultural related post secondary program.

**Archie MacPhail Memorial Scholarship (\$500 annually)** - available to students to promote spiritual growth, Christian lifestyle, and development of religious leadership skills.

**E.L. Brosz Scholarship (\$1,000)** - available to Grade 12 student at St. Michael's School in Bow Island who displays balanced strengths in academics, volunteer activity, leadership and general attitude.

**James Michael (Mickey) Lynch Memorial Scholarship (\$200)** Available to Grade 12 student at Monsignor McCoy High School who was a graduate of St. Louis Elementary School. Chosen based on demonstrated skills in English grammar and must be registered in post-secondary education program.

**Pat Cullen Memorial Scholarship** - Math awards available to St. Mary's students. \$200 each to Gr. 7,8,9 highest achievement; \$100 each Gr. 7,8,9 second highest achievement.

**Sister Joan Burns Memorial Scholarship** - Religious Studies Awards available to St. Mary's students. \$200 each Gr. 7,8,9 highest achievement; \$100 each Gr. 7,8,9 second highest achievement.

**Stan Gill Memorial Scholarship (\$500)** - Available to Grade 12 student at Monsignor McCoy High School with highest mark in Biology 20 & 30 combined.

**Troy Knibbs Memorial Scholarship (amount varies)** - Awarded to a Grade 12 honour student at St. Michael's School Bow Island. Candidate must be attending a post-secondary program.

**Winter Games Legacy Scholarship (2 x \$500)** - Available to Grade 12 student at Monsignor McCoy High School or St. Michael's School Bow Island. Candidate must have displayed leadership in their chosen sport and be enrolled in post-secondary program.

**THANK YOU TO ALL INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITY BUSINESSES WHO SUPPORTED FINANCIALLY AND DONATED PERSONAL TIME TO FURTHER THE WORK OF THE FOUNDATION**

## PAYROLL 50/50 DRAW WINNERS

This past year over \$5,500 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 to win!

### Winners:

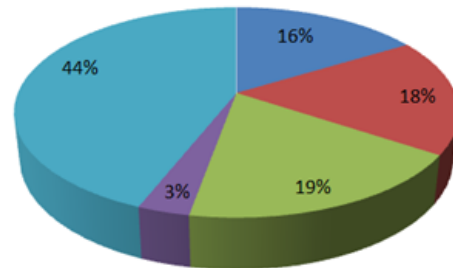
- JANUARY** Wayne Deis (Notre Dame) - \$477.40
- FEBRUARY** Josephine Nelson (St. Michael's BI) - \$490.00
- MARCH** Corinne Miller-Feasey (McCoy) - \$482.50
- APRIL** Lorie Lerner (St. Louis) - \$490.00
- MAY** Cynthia Manley (Mother Teresa) - \$490.00
- JUNE** Ray Hoger (St. Louis) - \$487.50
- JULY** Genevieve Streifel (St. Thomas) - \$457.50
- AUGUST** Wayne Deis (Notre Dame) - \$457.50
- SEPTEMBER** Annelise Hartman (Central Office) - \$477.50
- OCTOBER** Michelle Lukacs (St. Thomas) - \$470.00
- NOVEMBER** Allan O'Byrne (Foundation) - \$480.00
- DECEMBER** TBA

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Year ending August 31, 2012

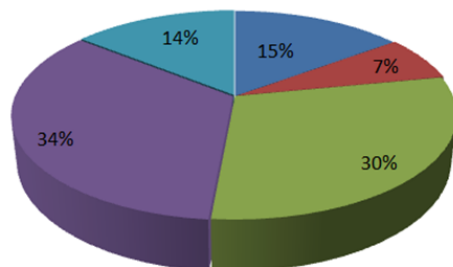
### 2012 Revenue

- General Donations (Unrestricted)
- Directed Donations (Restricted)
- Payroll 50/50
- Interest
- Golf Tournament



### 2012 Expenses

- Payroll 50/50
- Administrative
- Grants
- Golf Tournament
- Scholarships



Note: These charts do not include revenue and expenses related to the Centennial Celebration