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The Prairie Spirit Schools Foundation is an independent, non profit charity dedicated to enhancing learning opportunities for students within the Prairie Spirit School Division.

Our Mission is to engage partners to support innovative learning experiences beyond the curriculum so that students can expand their learning in areas of their greatest interest, skills, passions and pursuits. Now in our third full year of incorporation, the 2017-2018 Annual Report describes how we strive to grow our impact to benefit the students of Prairie Spirit.

The 2017-2018 once again proved to be a year of transition and growth for our fledgling Foundation.

At the governance table, the Foundation Board was pleased to welcome Dallas Huard in October of 2017 and Michael Wright in August 2018.

At the Annual General Meeting on January 22, 2018, the following Board officers were appointed for 2018-2019: Bonnie Hope – Chair, Ken Crush – Vice Chair, Michael Collins – Treasurer and Keith Wagner – Secretary.

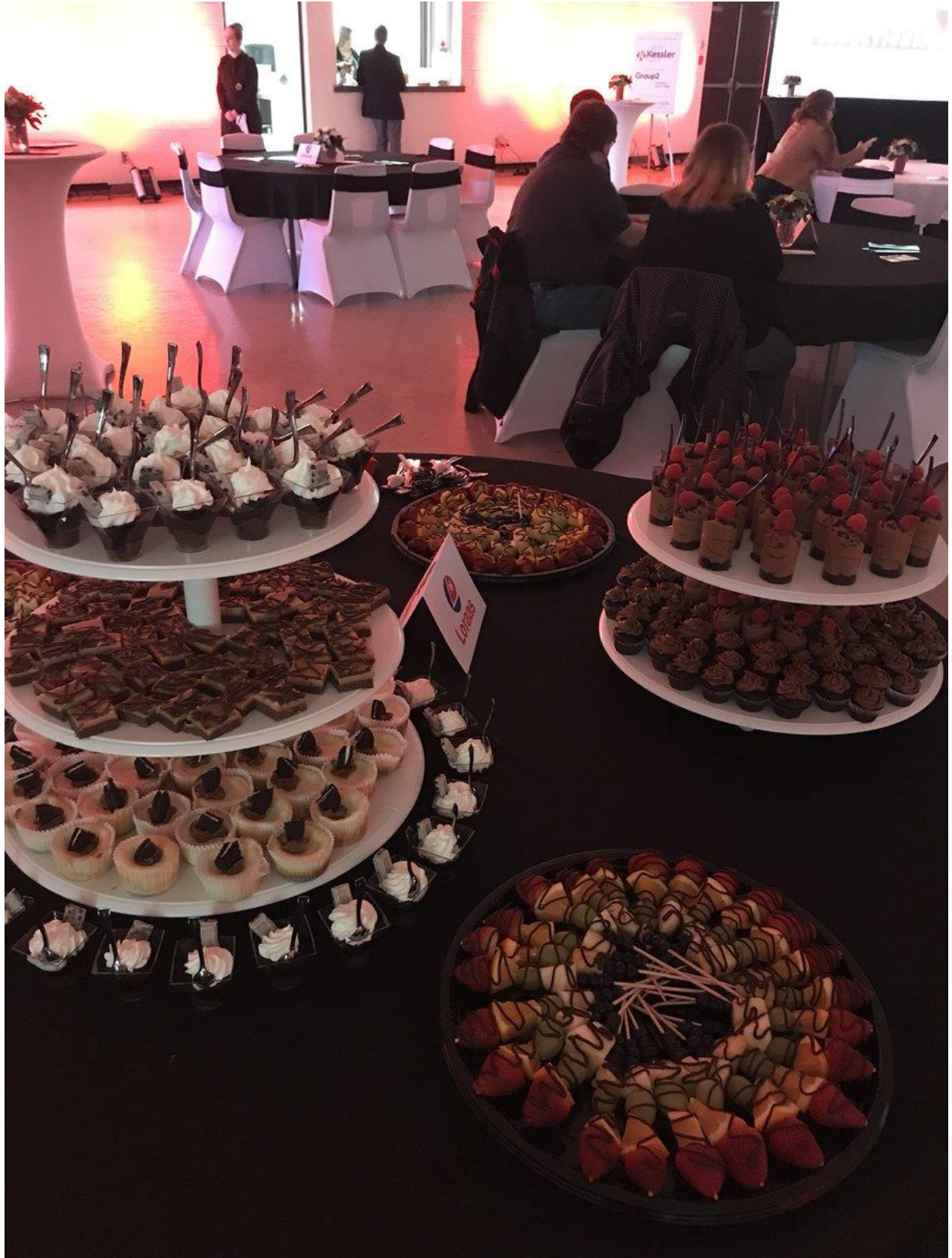


Fundraising Activities

The 3rd Annual **Golf Classic** was held on September 21, 2017 at Greenbryre Golf and Country Club. The weather was a challenge, however all our golfers and sponsors attended as well as some excellent student golfers. We also had the pleasure of listening to some talented student musicians prior to dinner, the Foundation had a profit of just over \$10,000.00.



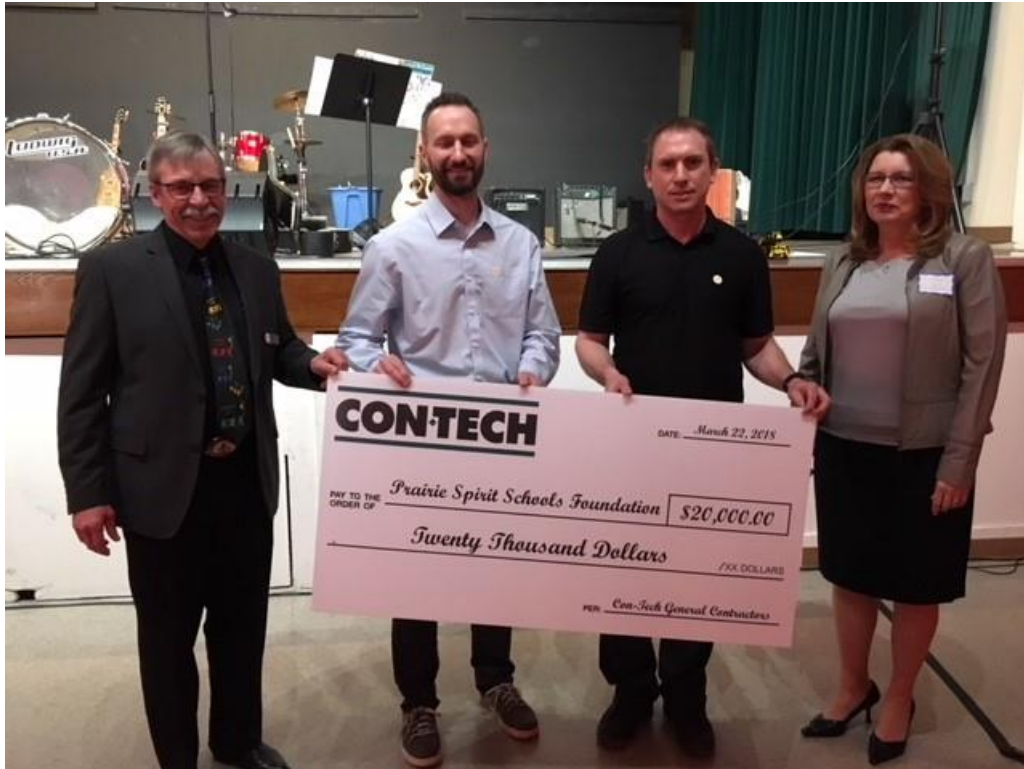
On March 22, 2018, the Foundation had their 1st Annual **Celebration of Learning** at the Brian King Centre in Warman, the event was primarily geared to be a fundraiser with a secondary piece revolving around education and why the Foundation exists. It was a success with wonderful student entertainment, fantastic chocolate desserts from Martensville High School students and some of the students were on hand to demonstrate what they have done with the Foundation funds they had been granted. This event raised over \$12,000.00 for the Foundation.



The decision was made to change the date of our Golf Classic to June as September is such a busy month, on June 11 the **4th Annual Golf Classic** was held at The Legends Golf Club. Although the weather was a challenge once again, the Foundation raised over \$15,000.00.



Donor partnerships were built through the fundraising events through-out the year and also through individual donor meetings, the work has begun to build long-term partnerships with Companies such as Con-Tech General Contractors, RBC, Zak’s Building Centre’s, Graham Construction, Thorpe Industries, and Legacy Group of Companies to name a few.



In support of the Students of Prairie Spirit

The call for applications of our second edition of the Learning Grants was made in November of 2017. We received 20 proposals from 16 different schools totaling \$ 93,667.00, The Foundation was able to fund 9 initiatives to 9 different schools totaling \$36,114.96.

Learning Grant Recipients – January 2018

English Language Art Restructuring	Delisle Composite	\$ 5000.00
Expand Delivery of the Royal Bean	Martensville High School	\$ 1514.96
Junk Yard Robotics	Warman High & Hague High	\$ 5000.00
Kano Coding	Venture Heights School	\$ 4400.00
Outdoor Learning Space	Langham Elementary	\$ 5000.00
Prairie Spirit Gay Straight Alliance Pride Conference	School Division	\$ 4500.00
Resonate Music Program	School Division	\$ 5000.00
Warman High Music Program	Warman High	\$ 500.00
WCMS Coding Club	WCMS	\$ 4700.00

In order to better accommodate the student's schedule, the Foundation sent out the applications for Learning Grants in June of 2018 so that teachers and students would receive their funding earlier in the school year.





As the Foundation grows, it will continue to support Learning Grants through-out the Division and will also support student growth through the Three Pillars of Innovation: The Da Vinci Project, Land Based Learning and Music and Resonate in Prairie Spirit. It is the hope to connect passionate donors with these worthy programs.

At the 4th Annual Golf Classic, the Foundation launched the Prairie Spirit Foundation Legacy & Memorial Giving Program. This will allow any group or individual to make a donation on behalf of a Prairie Spirit School Division staff or Board member posthumously. These funds will be set aside and designated for professional development within the Prairie Spirit School Division.



With the assistance of the Prairie Spirit School Division, it is now possible for all staff of Prairie Spirit Schools to make monthly payroll contributions to the Foundation.

The work of the Foundation is made possible by the support of motivated and committed donors who believe in the power of education and give generously to strengthen learning opportunities for children and youth. We have given back to our student more funds that ever before and we continue to grow our donor base.

As we look back on the year, we are deeply appreciative of the support we receive from donors and the Prairie Spirit Board of Education for its continued dedication and hard work. We are inspired by the excellent work that our teachers and students put forth and the Foundation extends its sincerest gratitude to everyone who has made innovative and enhanced learning possible at Prairie Spirit Schools.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Denise Kendrick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "D".

Denise Kendrick