

# Annual Report – 2009

## **Mission Statement:**

To advocate for and support access to preschool programs.

## **Vision Statement:**

### **WE SEE**

- all preschool children having opportunities for a better future.
- quality preschool programs.
- increased parent participation in preschool programs.
- greater support for early childhood education.
- preschool programs expanding as needs are identified.

## **Guiding Principles:**

- acting in the best interests of children.
- support for families.
- respecting the values and cultures of families.

## **A Message to Our Community**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your commitment and financial support during the past year. Your support has allowed 63 three and four-year old children to attend preschool this year. An increasing number of requests for assistance are coming from refugee and immigrant families who have moved to Canada to provide a better future for their families.

The Board would like to thank Les Ferguson for his twelve years of service as our Executive Director. Les retired from the Foundation in June 2009. Les was the “face” of the Foundation for many years. We wish him well in his retirement and thank him for his continued interest and support of the Foundation. We would also like to thank Shirley Hoggard, our Administrative Assistant for her service during the past year. She is pursuing opportunities in the business community.

Since Les’ retirement the Board has worked hard to carry out the mission of the Foundation. Committees have met regularly throughout the year to ensure that the work of the Foundation has continued.

The Foundation continues to advocate for early childhood learning and care in Saskatoon and the surrounding community. Our effort to increase the public’s awareness of the Saskatoon Preschool Foundation and the importance of quality preschool education has been an ongoing challenge.

Ann Atchison  
President

## **Strategic Plan**

In 2008 the Board developed and adopted a Strategic Plan to assist us as we moved ahead with the work of the Foundation. In 2009 at our summer planning workshop we revisited the goals that were laid out in 2008 and made changes to more accurately reflect our direction in 2009.

## **Saskatoon Preschool Foundation Champions of Children Dinner**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Preschool Foundation Dinner was held on April 24, 2009 at TCU Place. We would like to thank the 388 people who attended and supported the many very deserving nominees.

We are grateful to the following individuals, artists and businesses for their contributions to the live and silent auction:

### **Individuals:**

Atchison, Ann	Prokopishyn, Joyce
Bacon, Jean	Regnier, Sylvia
Ellis, Dayle	Rempel, Norma
Gorkoff, Janet	Retzlaff, Rick
Guest, Vanessa	Roach, Sue
Heigh, Bryan	Romanow, Eleanore
Heigh, Wally	Scoles, Ernie
Hirsch, Ron	Selby, Diane
Jacoby, Paul	Selinger, Debby
Jones, Brett	Sichello, Leslie
Levers, Mary	Smysnuik, Rita
Lindgren, Kathy	Sorsdahl, Sandy
McDonald, June	St. George, Marie Elyse
Moleski, Cindy	Taylor, Gordon
Mood, Glenda	Taylor, Pat
O'Brien, Sharon	Thiesson, Marie
Panko, Duane	Tracey, Ann
Pee-ace, Kevin	Tracey, Peter
Phillips, Joyce	Welch, Harvey
Popkin, Linda	Williams, Janet

### **Corporations:**

Bikini Bootcamp	Dakota Dunes Golf Links
Cantrill Muscle Therapy	The Diving Centre
Hilltops Football Club	Prairieland Bed & Breakfast
InVision	TCU Financial
University of Saskatchewan	World Gym

The Foundation Board of Directors is grateful to the corporate sponsors, donors, guests and volunteers who contributed to the success of the dinner.

(The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner was held April 16, 2010 and will be described in the 2010 Annual Report)

*Sue Barrett, Vanessa Guest, Chairpersons*

## **2009 Champions of Children Awards**

These 37 nominees were presented with framed pieces of preschool art in recognition of the positive impact that they have had on the lives of children in Saskatoon and area.

Awards were presented to the following nominees:

Lorraine Allan	Bonnie Mihalicz
Kelly Bowers	Amanda Peddle
Lyvia Buck	Shannon Peterson
Cloth for Kids - Edna Poncelet/Sharon Elder	Judy Pidskalny
Sharon Cousins	Pope John Paul II School
Caron Dagenais	Maxine Reid
Tammi Denby	Anna Ringstrom
Lisa Fedorowich	Barb Riordon
Jeanna Froese	Linda Rudachyk
Staff Sergeant Lorne Gelowitz	Myrna Ryland
Howard Coad School	Leslie Sichello
Dr. Jayne Hudson	Cathy Sieben
Gary Johns	Norm Stonehouse
Laura Kuzub-Tremblay	Maureen Strawson
Wayne MacDonald	Patti Tastad
Dawn McLean-Belyk	Lori Tkachuk
Daryl McKen	Diane Wilby
Dana McLeod	Gerard Woloschuk
Susan McMillan	Pamela Wonnick

## **Advocacy/Public Relations Committee**

The goals of the committee are to:

- raise the level of awareness of people in Saskatoon and area regarding the Saskatoon Preschool Foundation Inc. and the work that it does
- ensure that all children have access to preschool
- continue to improve public relations and communication
- continue to work with preschool/prekindergarten children to assist with their artistic endeavours

The committee forwarded information packages to the School Community Councils of the Saskatoon Public School Division, the Greater Saskatoon Catholic School Division, and the Prairie Spirit School Division. They worked with the local media to provide advertising for our annual Champions of Children Dinner. Shirley Green has continued to assist preschools and prekindergarten children and their teachers with their artistic endeavours. The resulting art work is presented at our Dinner.

## **Budget & Finance/Corporate Committee**

The goals of the Committee are to:

- increase corporate donations
- keep directors informed about the financial situation
- analyze annual audit documents

## **Grants to Preschools**

In 2009 we approved funding so that 63 children could attend the following preschools:

Aleceres Spanish Immersion Preschool  
Arlington Preschool  
Boys and Girls Club Bilingual Preschool  
Boys and Girls Club Preschool  
Brevoort Park Creative Care and English Preschool  
Building Blocks Preschool  
Care-A-Lot Preschool  
Dundonald Preschool  
Forest Grove Community Church Preschool  
Holliston Community Preschool  
Huskies Den Preschool  
Lakeview Preschool Co-operative  
Lawson Heights Co-operative Preschool  
Li'l Vikings Preschool  
Lutheran Day Care/Preschool, Inc.  
Maria Montessori Preschool  
North Saskatoon Playschool  
Over the Rainbow Co-operative Preschool  
Park Heights Preschool  
Petits Pandas Preschool  
Queen Elizabeth Cooperative Preschool  
Saskatoon Misbah School  
Silverwood Heights Preschool  
St. Paul French Immersion Preschool

Sunshine Corner Preschool  
Sutherland Preschool Co-operative  
Varsity View Cooperative Preschool

In 2009 the following preschools received the Lorne and Phyllis Richardson Field Trip Grant:

Golden Rule Preschool  
Lakeview Preschool Cooperative

## **Preschool Raffle**

The Foundation sponsored a raffle again this year. The draw for the prizes took place in December. The Foundation would like to thank the following people and groups for their donations:

Bikini Boot Camp  
Wally Heigh  
Shoppers Drug Mart – Circle at Centre and 8<sup>th</sup>  
Sphere-licious, The Chocolate Cake Ball Co.  
Unique Textiles

Proceeds of the raffle were shared 50/50 with the following preschools:

Alerces Spanish Immersion Preschool  
Arlington Preschool  
Brevoort Park Preschool  
Boys & Girls Club Bilingual Preschool  
Busy Fingers Preschool  
Dundonald Preschool  
Fairhaven Prekindergarten  
German Prekindergarten  
Holliston Community School  
Little People's Preschool  
Little Sprout's Preschool  
Nutana Creative Preschool  
Osler Preschool  
Over The Rainbow Preschool  
Queen Elizabeth Co-operative Preschool  
Sadok Dzvinok Ukrainian Preschool  
St. Paul's French Immersion Preschool  
Step Ahead Preschool  
Sunshine Corner Preschool  
Sutherland Preschool  
Sutherland Prekindergarten  
Vincent Massey Prekindergarten  
Wildwood Co-operative Preschool

## Financial Statements

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2009

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 31,344	\$ -
Accounts receivable (Note 4)	3,250	1,523
Prepaid expenses	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
	35,094	2,023
Investments (Note 5)	<u>370,105</u>	<u>348,138</u>
	<u>\$ 405,199</u>	<u>\$ 350,161</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current liabilities		
Bank indebtedness	\$ -	\$ 10,383
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	500	2,587
Deferred revenue	<u>13,592</u>	<u>13,902</u>
	<u>14,092</u>	<u>26,872</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Restricted for endowment purposes (Note 6)	\$ 216,212	\$ 216,212
Restricted for long-term purposes	84,909	84,909
Unrestricted	<u>89,986</u>	<u>22,168</u>
	<u>391,107</u>	<u>323,289</u>
	\$ 405,199	\$ 350,161

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Restricted for endowment purposes	Restricted for long-term purposes	Unrestricted	Total	2008
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 216,212	\$ 84,909	\$ 22,168	\$ 323,289	\$ 428,927
Excess (deficiency) of revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>67,818</u>	<u>67,818</u>	<u>(105,638)</u>
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 216,212</b>	<b>\$ 84,909</b>	<b>\$ 89,986</b>	<b>\$ 391,107</b>	<b>\$ 323,289</b>

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Champion of Children dinner		
Ticket sales	\$ 22,450	\$ 14,260
Auction	9,730	10,675
Sponsorships	1,000	5,500
Raffle proceeds	<u>1,486</u>	<u>1,095</u>
	34,666	31,530
Less direct expenses	<u>15,977</u>	<u>9,769</u>
	<u>18,689</u>	<u>21,761</u>
 Raffle		
Ticket sales	5,034	12,833
Less direct expenses	<u>299</u>	<u>685</u>
	<u>4,735</u>	<u>12,148</u>
 Contributions	<u>43,877</u>	<u>45,952</u>
	<b>67,301</b>	<b>79,861</b>
 <b>Expenses</b>		
Advertising and promotion	2,125	2,138
Goods and Services Tax refund		(415)
Grants	310	1,320
Insurance	1,389	1,292
Interest and bank charges	1,584	858
Office	3,241	2,316
Professional fees	3,160	3,190
Telephone	603	619
Tuition supplements	25,919	22,157
Wages and employee benefits	<u>33,080</u>	<u>60,209</u>
	<b>71,411</b>	<b>93,684</b>
 <b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses from operations</b>	 (4,110)	 (13,823)
 Investment earnings (loss) (Note 7)	 <u>71,928</u>	 <u>(91,815)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	<b>\$ 67,818</b>	<b>\$ (105,638)</b>

## Thanks to Our Donors!

The Foundation is grateful to all of the corporations, interest groups and individuals that provided financial and in-kind support. Without these individuals and groups the Saskatoon Preschool Foundation would not be able to continue to provide tuition subsidies so that 3 and 4-year olds can attend preschool.

### Corporate:

AON Consulting	Prospect Investments
AREVA Resources Canada Inc.	Rayner Agencies
ASL Paving Ltd.	Saskatchewan Blue Cross
Burlingham Cuelenaere Legal Prof. Corp	SaskEnergy
Cindy Moleski Photography	SaskTel
Dakota Dunes Golf Links	SaskTel Pioneers
Eecol Electric	Stantec Consulting Ltd
Greystone Managed Investments Ltd.	TCU Financial Group
InVision Eye Care Centre	West Wind Aviation
Meckelborg Financial Group Inc.	World Gym
NSWB	
Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan	

### Interest Groups:

CUPE 8443	Saskatoon Board Of Education
International Union of Operating Engineers	Saskatoon Teachers Association
Law Enforcement Guardians	St. Joseph High School Music Parent Association
McClure United Church	United Commercial Travelers
Preschool Information Registry & Service	U of S Charitable Donations Plan
Saskatoon Hilltop Football Club	

### Individuals:

Abraham, Max & Dalice	Barton, John & Florence	Burr, Evan
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Antoshiw, Jennifer	Bhargava, Anu	Comfort, Tim
Atchison, Ann	Bimson, Art	Cousins, Pam
Atkinson, Patricia	Bishop, Mary	Cutts, Gail
Bacon, Jean	Blanch, Darlene	Delanoy, Susan
Bailey, Robert & Colleen	Blevins-Bimson, Darlene	Dickson, Sharolyn
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Roach, Sue  
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Zwarych, Suzanne

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The Saskatoon StarPhoenix - for their assistance promoting our dinner  
The Saskatoon Public School Division - for office space and computer support  
The Saskatoon Teacher's Federation - for assistance in promoting our dinner  
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We regret any errors or omissions.

### **Board of Directors**

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The Foundation is grateful to Wally Heigh and Doug McDonald for their time and energy spent as Board members until their retirement in December, 2009. Their continuing commitment to the work of the Foundation is sincerely appreciated.