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Archerwill country songwriter Codie Prevost performs the first of what would become a few times throughout the evening, playing his new hit single titled Spin.

The walls of the Carrot River Community Hall reverberated talent the evening of May 8, when over 100 participants sang, danced, and played their instruments to a crowd of over 200 at the annual Carrot River Talent Show.

"I thought it was a howling success," organizer Alvina Price said.

Price, a music teacher at both the Carrot River Elementary School and Jr. Sr. High School, organizes this yearly event in order to give her students a venue to perform.

"I like to have an excuse for them to practice," she said. "This gives them a reason and a motive."

Throughout the evening, Price said her students had a chance to sing in the same venue as some of the area's big wigs, including multiple Saskatchewan Country Music Awards recipient Codie Prevost, who, like all other musicians, donated his time to perform at the show.

"It went over so well," Price said, adding that she didn't do it all by herself, and was simply there to provide leadership. "I would like to give credit to the community of Carrot River."

She said that just about every single one of the businesses she approached requesting sponsorships said yes, and that many people provided personal donations. One farmer, who she said wishes to remain anonymous, donated \$300.

"Things like that get me pumped," she said. "It makes me want to do this again."

In addition to money, many people also volunteered their time in order to make the evening possible.

Proceeds from the evening, totaling \$7,400 so far, will go towards new sound equipment for the hall. Price said that people still wishing to make donations, which are still coming in, can make them to the RM of Moose Range.

The evening's entertainment was broadcast live on CNJE radio, which also took donations over the phone.

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