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Focus

A Newsletter for Alumni, Staff and Friends



CLASS OF 1948

Front row, left to right: Phyllis (Steen) Lund, Patsy (Long) Honstine, Joyce (Williams) Apostal, Betty (Strand) Hallgren, Shirley (Almquist) Busse, Shirley (Dalager) Westacott, Joan (DuChamp) Engelstad and Jane (Breznay) Sykes. Second row: Dolly (Iverson) Boice, Arlene (Williams) Mickley, Jean (Sandberg) Johansen, Robert Westacott, Wanda (Scholin) Magee and Marion (Syrtvedt) Birkeland. Third row: Luann (Dempster) Copeland, Alan Cabot, Jeanette (Lager) Hubbard, Patsy (Brunelle) Reed, Marvin Koop, Palmer Overbye, Charles Erickson, Muriel (Geving) Berg and Merle Rafteseth. Back row: Marlowe Davidson, Norman Panek, Alfred Engelstad, Robert Reed, Palmer Ronholm, Daniel Helle, and Maynard Wedul. Not pictured: Delores (Vad) Owen and Kenneth Ranum.



Our Mission: The Thief River Falls Education Foundation exists to promote innovative educational opportunities in School District #564 through partnerships involving alumni, parents, educators, businesses, and the greater community.

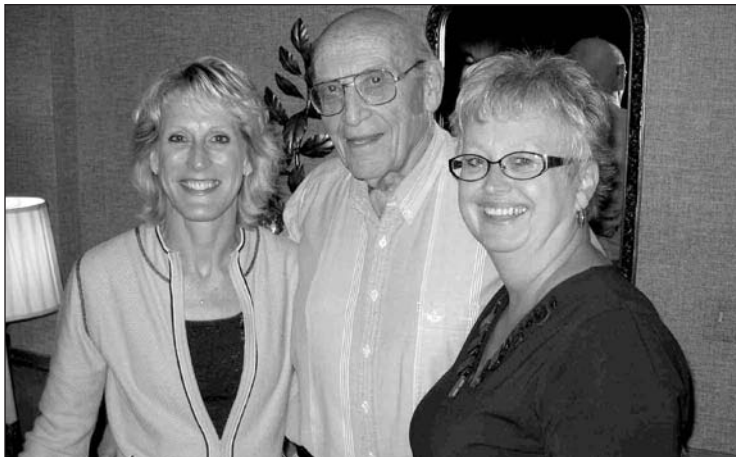
Education Foundation Boasts 18 Successful Years

Roger and Ardy Tunberg hosted a reception in their home August 11, 2008 to recognize 18 successful years for the Thief River Falls Education Foundation. Roger Tunberg served as the first president of the Foundation and along with Paul Ihle, current president, was a founding member of the organization in 1990. The original Foundation board of directors, current board of directors and executive directors were present.



Roger Tunberg and Paul Ihle

Thank you to everyone who has served as a board director, staff member or volunteer to the Foundation.



Pictured left to right are the executive directors of the Foundation: Denise Laymon 1999-current, Frank Hamerlinck 1991-1993, and Maryel Anderson 1993-1994, missing Judy Dimich 1995-1999.

Annual Meeting Notice

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE THIEF RIVER FALLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The annual meeting of the Thief River Falls Education Foundation will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 at 7:00 a.m. at the Foundation office, School District Center, 230 LaBree Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN to consider and take action on the following:

1. The election of directors for three year terms;
2. To receive and consider the reports of the affairs of the Foundation for the past year; and
3. To transact such other business, as may properly come before the meeting.

Calendar of Events

Homecoming

October 10, 2008 ~ 6:00 p.m.
M.E.C. Football Field ~ TRF vs. Duluth Denfeld

Attention Early Fifties Alumni

A multi-class reunion is in the planning stages for September, 2009 Reunion to be held at Fort Snelling Officer's Club in Minneapolis. Cash bar, food, dancing to 50s music and a mini-program. Interested? Watch for details in future newsletters or check the web site. Pass the word on to classmates and friends from other classes.

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50th ~ 1959 ~ August 7-8, 2009

Gloria Bjorkman ~ daglo2008@mncable.net

40th ~ 1969 ~ July 31-Aug. 1, 2009

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35th ~ 1974 ~ July 10-12, 2009

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30th ~ 1979 ~ July 10-12, 2009

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Events

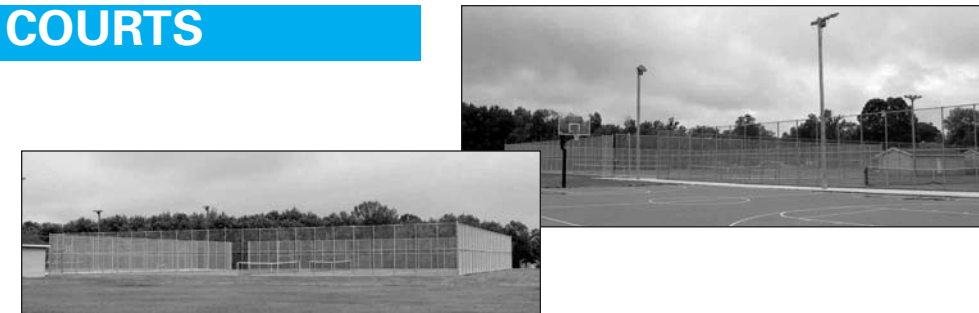
Thank You

Thank you to golf participants, sponsors and volunteers for making the 8th Annual Swenson Golf Tournament a success. 84 golfers participated in the event including golfers from Hawaii, Oregon and Canada. Mark your calendars for July 20, 2009 for the 9th Annual Tournament.

MN Deer Hunters Association ~ David C. Onkka, P.C. ~ Anderson Realty ~ Edward Jones
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Kays, Benton, Safranski & Co. LLP ~ Wells Fargo Bank NA ~ Diamonds & Designs, Inc.
Knotty Pine Eatery & Pub ~ Northland Community & Technical College ~ Falls Electric
School District #564 ~ Minnesota Vikings ~ Minnesota Timberwolves ~ Palace Casino/Hotel
Wikstrom Telecom, Inc. ~ St. Hilaire Supply Co. ~ Grand Forks Country Club
Northland Produce ~ Garden Valley Telephone ~ Legend Sports
Anytime Fitness of TRF ~ Americas Best Value Inn & Suites ~ Toi's Studio for Hair
Lantern Restaurant & Lounge ~ Hall's Floral & Gifts ~ Pizza Hut ~ Natural Health
Minakwa Golf Course ~ Ihle & Sparby ~ Seven Clans Casino/Hotel ~ Thune Insurance
Cenex ~ Arctic Cat ~ Bredeson's Office Supply ~ Phillips' Quality Gardens
Paint & Glass Interiors, Inc. ~ Northwest Eye Center ~ Ace Hardware
Black Cat Sports Bar & Grill ~ Thrifty White Drug ~ Sears
Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation ~ Thoele Photography ~ Bergan Travel
Leighton Broadcasting ~ Sjoberg's Cable TV ~ Home of Economy ~ Alumni Century
Hazel Maves ~ Model Laundry ~ Purdy's/Frank Ratti
Budget ~ Evergreen Eating Emporium ~ Mickelson Eye Clinic, P.A. ~ Northern State Bank
Time Well Spent ~ Genereux Realty ~ Edward Jones ~ Golf Center ~ Scheels
Oakcrest Golf Course ~ Lincoln Park 9 Hole Golf Course ~ American Legion
Fleet Supply ~ Evergreen Implement ~ United Building Centers ~ Brady Martz
Universal Screenprint ~ Border State Bank ~ Thief River Golf Club ~ Northern Motors
RV Sports ~ Erl's Market, Inc. ~ Wachovia/Darlene Anderson
Life Fitness Center ~ AmericInn ~ Pebble Lake Golf Club ~ Kick'n Up Kountry ~ Sorvig Oil
Two Fools Winery ~ Northwest Beverage ~ H & H Sales ~ Minnesota Wild
Falls Liquor ~ McKinnon Company ~ TRF Radio ~ Cat Country ~ Westside Motors
Mattison's Car Wash ~ Thief River Ford ~ Bluffy Lake Lodge ~ Peterson Photography
Minnesota Twins ~ Dairy Queen ~ Shooting Star Casino/Hotel ~ The Inn at Maple Crossing
Gerrells Sports Center ~ Ray Richard's Golf Course ~ Sandhill River Golf Club
Styles By Amy ~ H. D. Floral Design ~ Lee Plumbing & Heating ~ The Rusty Nail
Mary Jensen ~ Kim Peterson ~ Irv Peterson ~ Dwight Tanquist ~ and those who provided bars.

FMS TENNIS COURTS

Franklin Middle School now houses six tennis courts. Thank you to those contributed to the project. A dedication will take place this fall.



WILLS AND BEQUESTS

These gifts are the simplest and most common planned gifts and can be set up in the following ways.

Bequest Sample Language

SPECIFIC BEQUEST

I bequeath the sum of _____ dollars to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation for the _____ Endowment, a charitable organization located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Or:

I give, devise, and bequeath the following described property to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation, a charitable institution located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota: property known as _____ etc.

PERCENTAGE BEQUEST

I bequeath to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation, a charitable organization located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, an amount equal to _____ percent of the net value of my estate as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes.

RESIDUAL BEQUEST

I devise the residue of my estate, after the satisfaction of all specific bequests and the payment of all taxes and other costs attending my death, to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Or:

I devise one-third of the residue of my estate, after the satisfaction of all specific bequests and the payment of all taxes and other costs attending my death, to _____ located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

I devise two-thirds of the residue of my estate, after the satisfaction of all specific bequests and the payment of all taxes and other costs attending my death, to _____ located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Your gift may be earmarked to support the Thief River Falls Education Foundation operations or a specific program.

Using funds from a retirement account to make a bequest is a good strategy. Retirement accounts at death have a potential tax burden, and possibly estate tax consequences.

Preparing your will at any stage of your life may ease the burden on others.

(Donors should contact their advisors to discuss this.)

"People want their lives to have made a difference. Philanthropic giving is a means to that end."

~ Beree Parris Nudd

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Thief River Falls Education Foundation Membership Application

Name: _____ (Maiden) _____ LHS Class Of _____
Friend of Education _____

Spouse's Name: _____ (Maiden) _____ LHS Class Of _____
Friend of Education _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

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<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 ~ Annual Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000 - \$10,000 ~ Builder
<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 - \$500 ~ Sustaining Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 and Over ~ President's Club
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 - \$5,000 ~ Founder	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000 ~ Named Endowments

Gifts to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation are tax-deductible, within IRS regulations.

Please make checks payable to
Thief River Falls Education Foundation
and mail with this form to: 230 LaBree Ave. South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701

1930s

Evangeline (Douville) Kleist (34) lives in Riverview, FL, with her son and his wife. She graduated from the Univ. of WI, Stevens Point, was a librarian for 20 years, taught 4th grade for 12 years and then retired in 1980. Her husband and one of two children have passed away. She enjoys all sports—tennis, skiing, golf and bowling, and has traveled extensively. She still walks 4 miles daily and belongs to a senior citizens club. She enjoyed her 70th class reunion.

Margaret (Dowacter) Restemayer (39) passed away May 14, 2008, in Everett, WA, after a short illness.

1940s

Dorine (Dockendorf) Pierce (45) Kinsale, VA, passed away Feb. 9, 2008. Her husband, Joseph, wrote that she was "a great lady." They had been married for 59 years and 3 months.

Erven Skaar (49) Cambridge, MN, attended **Elwood C. Karwand's** (49) memorial service in Red Wing, February 25, 2008 as an honorary pallbearer. **Ken Omundson** (49) arranged for **Paul Green** (49), **Harlan Mellem** (49) and Erven to meet for brunch and talk over old times.

Lillian (Cork) Glonek (49) Superior, WI. Lillian's husband Robert passed away November 25, 2007 due to Alzheimer's at the age of 79. She now takes care of her son, Dale, who has MS.

Helen (Sorenson) Davidson (49) Moorhead, MN, is downsizing and getting ready to move into an apartment with no mowing or shoveling of snow. What an accumulation over 54 years, but now she is looking forward to new adventures and challenges. She is also looking forward to her 60th class reunion in 2009.

James A. Arras (49) Post Falls, ID, is feeling great and living on a golf course near Coeur D'Alene. He is enjoying life and says hello to sister **Helen (Arras) Wysoski** (40).

1950s

Gail (Thieling) Bollmann (51) and her husband, Chuck, are still in Fredericksburg, VA. They have 2 children and 8 grandchildren near by. They send greetings to all.

Ray (54) and **Janet (Klefstad) Berg** (55) TRF, have lived on the farm for 41 years and hope to be here for a few more.

Barbara (Klein) Greco (54) Elk

Grove, CA, retired from selling health care insurance for the self employed (NASC) in January. She is now on the road with her love, Toby. They travel the northern US and Canada working for the manufacturer of telescoping flag poles—from San Diego to Maine. She is happy!

Shirley (Kulseth) West (58) Reedsburg, WI, is really looking forward to her 50th reunion in September. She and her husband, Ken, have 7 children, 15 grandchildren and 2 great-grandsons, so they keep busy getting around to as many special events as possible. She is very thankful to have her parents, at 94 and 95, still living in Viking.

Audrey (Sorenson) Isaacson (58) Federal Way, WA, and her husband, Harold, are retired. They do a lot of boating in Puget Sound. Their daughter lives in New York City so they travel to the east coast to see her.

Stanley Torgerson (59) died April 10, 2008 at his home of cancer. He was 66 years old. He is survived by his wife, Bette. Stan was a gifted musician, blessed with perfect pitch. He was a graduate of Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, and a music teacher all of his teaching career.

Sharon Klein (59) Pound Ridge, NY, is working in retail sales. She has 3 children, 7 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Janet (DeLap) Griffith (59) is retired in TRF and is loving it.

1960s

Katherine (Hruby) Langstraat (63) White Bear Lake, MN, is still working as a medical receptionist and selling antiques and collectibles. She went to Australia to visit her daughter and also to New Zealand. She hopes to retire in another year.

1970s

Renee (Reed) Lahtinen (71) Stanley, ND, and her husband, Warren, have one daughter, Anna Marie, 3 dogs and 2 cats. They are opening a country store in the heart of oil drilling in Mountrail County. Her 2 older daughters, Mary and Sara Wheeler, from her marriage to Ralph Wheeler, are going to college in Minot, ND.

Joy (Hansen) Pederson (73) Edinburg, TX, is working as an office manager for a Physical Therapy Home Health Co., co-owned by her son, Shane, who is a Physical Therapist. Her daughter, Heather, is a teacher. She

has 2 granddaughters.

Sue (Wysoski) Markstrom (73) was recently named as chief of staff at the St. Cloud VA Medical Center. As chief of staff, she is a member of the executive leadership team at the medical center. She works as an administrator, manager and clinical leader. Sue will oversee all clinical services at the VA and outpatient clinics in Brainerd and Montevideo. She has been the director of primary care and specialty care service at the VA since 1997. She has served in several roles at the VA since 1991. Sue is the daughter of **Helen (Arras) (40)** and the late **Ambrose Wysoski**.

Richard Skay (74) is serving as president of the San Marcos (CA) Education Foundation. He reports that they have provided teacher grants totaling \$375,000 since they started. He is an optometrist in private practice in San Marcos, CA.

Yvonne (Mortenson) Przybyski (74) Indianapolis, IN, relocated in March of 2007. She enjoys singing, crafts, volunteering with the Boy Scouts of America and traveling. She and her husband, Gordy, have 3 grown children.

1980s

David Weckwerth (81) Kihei, HI, is married, the father of 5 children, and has 1 granddaughter, who was born on Maui in March of 2008. He accepted a position with Hawaiian Dredging Con-

struction Company as Project Superintendent. His project is a \$330 million condominium and recreation center followed by a \$300 million luxury resort on Makena Beach, Maui. The duration of the project will be approximately 10 years. "After growing up in TRF and moving to Fairbanks, AK for 18 years, this 83 degree and sunny every day is kind of nice!"

Dr. Kirsten Pollick (84) Lebanon, MO, was awarded the 2008 Robert Ross MDA Personal Achievement Award for the State of Missouri. This is awarded for accomplishments and courageous spirit and for being a role model for and representative of people with neuromuscular diseases.

Friend of Education

Marshall Hankerson Warren, OR, (former Superintendent) is still driving at the age of 92.

The Foundation is looking for volunteer writers who would like to contribute stories to the printed Focus newsletter. If you have an interest in writing, or have suggestions for special interest stories and feature articles, we would like to hear from you.

For more information please contact Denise Laymon at (218) 681-8711 ext. 228 or email: foundation@trfeducationfoundation.com

News About You

NAME _____

GRADUATING YEAR _____

CURRENT LOCATION _____

PERSONAL NOTES _____

Notables

Ralph Skay Memorial Award

The Thief River Falls Education Foundation announces the establishment of the Ralph Skay Memorial Award. The scholarship award will recognize the accomplishments of two students who have graduated from Lincoln High School, who have either participated in football or baseball, who receive a nomination from a coach to apply for the scholarship and who show academic achievement. The first awarding will be May 2009.



Ralph Skay

Mr. Skay taught at Blackduck, Spring Grove, Preston, and Milaca, MN schools before moving to Thief River Falls in 1952. He served as a head football coach for 15 years. He taught science and coached basketball. He initiated a high school baseball program in Thief River Falls in the spring of 1953. He was also Athletic Director and Attendance Director. During his coaching career, he had three teams compete in the state baseball tournaments. Three athletes, during their high school careers made the all-state Minnesota team, two in football and one in baseball. Mr. Skay retired from teaching and coaching in 1978 after 38 years.

When Ralph retired from coaching, he was honored with Ralph Skay Day on May 20, 1974 declared by Mayor Bob Carlson. He was inducted into the Minnesota Coaches Hall of Fame in Minneapolis, MN in November of 1982. He was awarded a Quarter Century Coaching Citation by the Minneapolis Star-Tribune for outstanding coaching in high school and American Legion teams.

Scholarships are funded entirely by the families, individuals or organizations which have established them. The Thief River Falls Education Foundation will be accepting ongoing donations to the Ralph Skay Memorial Award. The Foundation is a nonprofit foundation that supports public education through scholarships and grants. For more information about making a gift, call 681-8711, write to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation, 230 LaBree Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701 or email: foundation@trfeducationfoundation.com

Hess Award Presented To Pederson and Lindquist

Ruth Pederson and Judy Lindquist have been named 2008 recipients of the Peter Hess Memorial Teacher Recognition Award. Thief River Falls Education Foundation Director Denise Laymon presented the awards on Tuesday, Aug. 26.

The Peter Hess award is presented in memory of Peter Hess as a way to recognize individuals employed by School District 564 who have displayed good work ethics, outstanding leadership and integrity, and have demonstrated their commitment to education and dedication to community through volunteer work. Recipients of the award receive a check for \$500. There are no restrictions on how the funds should be used.

Judy Lindquist has been employed by the School District for 18 years. Described as a great team player with outstanding work ethics, Lindquist is a reading specialist and Reading Recovery trainer. She has served many years as the Title I lead teacher, and she spent countless hours writing the Title I grant application. She still writes the year-end report for Title I. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Lindquist has served on many District committees, and has volunteered many hours to train many of the District's teachers in the Reading Recovery model. She also provides regional training in Reading Recovery for area schools.



Lindquist

"We are most fortunate to have someone with Judy Lindquist's background and expertise and commitment to literacy, working with our students and staff here in Thief River Falls," commented Laymon.

Ruth Pederson has been with School District 564 for 23 years. She is involved in many programs including study hall, peer tutoring and staff development.

"Over the last 23 years, Ruth Pederson has been one of the most dedicated employees in the District. I can say that she truly likes and respects students of all ages," remarked Laymon.

Laymon added that Pederson writes reports for the Carl Perkins grant, has done an outstanding job at Lincoln High School and is a credit to the School District and community.



Pederson

Notables

Quest Donates Computers

The Thief River Falls School District was a different place when Renae (Wold) Coddington was in school. There weren't any computers. Now, computers are everywhere in the school district. And thanks to the efforts of Coddington and Qwest Communications, the district recently received 40 computers.

Coddington, a Bloomington resident, has many fond memories of her school years, and she's appreciative of the education she received here. She has shown her appreciation to the district through her United Way donations. "I think the education that I got growing up was wonderful," said Coddington, a 1970 graduate of Lincoln High School. She also holds bachelor's and master's degrees from what is now known as Cardinal Stritch University.

In January 1971, Coddington began working at what is now the Qwest office in Thief River Falls. "When I started, men started as techs and women started as telephone operators," she recalled. Women were also required to wear dresses on the job.

Coddington, who also worked as a service representative, moved up the corporate ladder. She later held a management position in Detroit Lakes. From there, she moved on to a management position in Minneapolis. Around 1994, she became Qwest's vice president of local network for Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa.

Coddington still works in that capacity, and she still holds deep affection for her alma mater. That affection led to an acquaintanceship with Denise Laymon, executive director of the Thief River Falls Education Foundation. Coddington and Karen Jothen, community affairs manager at Qwest, recently e-mailed the Education Foundation about some computers that were available. They asked if the school district could use them. "Well, we were so excited about that," Laymon said.

The 40 computers will be used by industrial arts students at LHS and Franklin Middle School. The computers replace outdated, slow computers. Jothen and Qwest employee Stew Shepard delivered the computers in June and July, respectively, while on their way to their lake cabins in northwest Minnesota.

The Education Foundation and the industrial arts teachers, Eric Melcher and Mark Lee, appreciate the donation. "We at the foundation just value the partnerships we have with



Coddington



Anthony Martin helped carry computer keyboards donated by Qwest Communications. Qwest recently donated 40 computers to the Thief River Falls School District. The computers will be used by industrial arts students at Franklin Middle School and Lincoln High School.

alums and businesses," Laymon said.

When Jothen delivered half of the computers in June, Melcher told her, "We really appreciate this."

"It's our pleasure," Jothen replied.

Qwest is also enabling customers to give back to schools, including those in the Thief River Falls School District, through its 1% Back to Schools Program. To donate the equivalent of 1 percent of your monthly bill to the Thief River Falls School District, register your account for Paperless Billing and AutoPay. To register, go to www.qwest.com/onepercent.

To learn more about the Thief River Falls Education Foundation, to learn more about how to donate to the foundation or to connect with fellow LHS alumni, go to www.trfeducationfoundation.com.

Les's Sanitation Gives Over \$10,000 To Foundation



Alpha Recycling/Les's Sanitation has awarded over \$10,000 through the recycling program that was established in 2000 in partnership with the TRF Education Foundation. Recyclable materials are collected and sorted within the school district by the students and staff in order to raise awareness of the importance of recycling and to raise funds to be distributed through the Foundation's grant process for classroom materials.

"I do not know what I would have done without them. They have literally put hundreds of books on the shelves here at Franklin in the classrooms and the Media Center," said Leslie Fisher, Media Specialist at Franklin Middle School.

Memorials

Donations Have Been Given In Memory Of

- Elsie B. Johnson • Ron Armstrong
- Janice Horter • Stanley Torgerson
- Alyce Brossoit Hemmestved
- Marilyn Matson • Duane L. Odegaard
- Phillip Ballingrud • Marilyn Matson Kuzel
- Josh Engevik • Harold Storhaug
- Eugene Hess • Alvin Rondorf
- Susan Sculthorp • Carol Larson
- Della Berggren • Chris Scholin
- Chris Issendorf • Wayne Rahn
- Carl E. Johnson • Emma Johnson
- Anna Hanson • Dorine Pierce
- Harlan Sorenson • Alma Cornell
- Alvin & Pearl (Swanson) Wold
- John D. "Jack" Scanlan
- Lyle Guttu • LaVerne Rambeck
- Marian Douville Miller
- Robert Douville • Larry Molstad
- Ted Hellie • Clifford (Chipper) Strand
- Clarice Vargo • Peggy Loberg
- Mel Burrell • Gary A. Peterson
- Mayme Boughton • Sandra Froiland Berger
- Shawn Melander

Marlene & Curtis Johnson
Ralph Skay • Ardell Markstrom

Gail (Hruby) Bergland
Grace E. Craik Snyder • Patrick Barry

Enclosed is my tribute/gift of \$ _____ to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation in loving remembrance of _____ or in celebration of _____

An attractive card will be sent in your name to the family of the deceased or honoree. An acknowledgement of your gift will also be sent to you.

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Street _____

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Name _____

Street _____

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Please make checks payable to the Thief River Falls Education Foundation, a nonprofit organization. All gifts are tax deductible.

Staff

The following people are new staff with SD #564 this school year: Tanya Byfuglien, Chelsea Hepola, Kayla Hoerth, Lindsey Johnson, Laurie McNallie, Andrea Samuelson, Katie Shaw, Arlene Bjerke, Teresa Hanson, Rachel Bak, Jamie McCauley, Karen Marichalar, Eilene Hutchinson and Lori Johnson.

The following staff was recognized for their milestone years of service in District #564 at a back-to-school staff assembly on August 26, 2008: **15 years:** Becky Erickson, Teacher, Julie E. Olson, Teacher, Brenda Kasprick, Teacher; **20 years:** Sheryl Novacek, Teacher, Pat Scramstad, Food Service, Audrey Beito, Administrative Support; **25 years:** Scott Hetherington, Teacher, Arlene Jagol, Educational Assistant, Gary Dahlen, Bus Driver; **30 years:** Lynn Dyer, Teacher; and **35 years:** James Jacobson, Maintenance.

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