



November Newsletter

549 Family Foundation
200 5th St. SE
Perham, MN 56573

PHS Alumni Lee Hoedl - Class of 1981 - Author

"I Have Just the Gift For You" is Lee's recently published book. He has several book-signing engagements during

- November: Nov. 1st - Barnes & Noble, Fargo, 11am to 1pm & 4pm to 6pm
- Nov. 8th - Varsity Mart, NDSU Campus Bookstore, Fargo, 12N to 2pm
- Nov. 18th - The Wild Goose Gift Store, Perham, 11am to 2pm

Please feel free to stop by and say hi. Are you searching for a story to warm your spirit and touch your heart as a parent? Are you looking for the ideal gift to give an expectant parent? Would you like a special gift to give a daughter or son on an important milestone in their life? Lee says, "I Have Just the Gift For You".

Check out Lee's web site: www.hoedlshaven.com. Also, Lee is the designer of the Class of 1981 website on the 549 Family website. Go to 549family.com. Click on "Class Reunions". Click on "1981". Enjoy.

Congratulations to Sue Jones's Computer Applications class who received a \$500.00 grant to acquire digital imaging equipment. With it, the students will gain life-long skills and build possible career interests in graphic design, photography or mass communications.

For the 2nd year, 549 Family is happy to fund the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference for \$150.00. This opportunity for sophomores helps develop the leadership skills to build confidence and create a better future for the participants.

To apply for a grant to benefit ISD 549, go to www.549family.com for the application. It is recommended, but not required that grant applications for the '05-'06 school year be submitted by September 30, 2005. Drop your completed app at any district school office, attention of coordinator, Jo Strege, PWMS.

Welcome to the family!

New community members to the 549 Family in Sept. and Oct.:

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| Jackie Altstadt | Jeffrey Auvil | Julia Bachelder |
| LuAnn Carow | Julie Cooper | Dave Cresap |
| Sue Delaney | Dawn Edvall | Terri Enger |
| Tessa Formanek | Caroyl Frank | Chris & Vicki Happel |
| Rick Heimer | Don Hendrickx | Kari Honer |
| Heidi Kalina | Shirley Kalina | Ryan Kostohryz |
| Jody Lange | Nicholas Lein | Scott Lindemann |
| Elaine Lueders | Randy Mattfeld | Lori |
| Meader | Joan Meece | Denise Meehl |
| Duane Miller | Tom Morgenroth | Laura Neitzke |
| Carol Nelson | Patty Nelson | Susan D. Nelson |
| Rose Bauer-Neseth | Craig Palan | Raymond Scheidecker |
| Mary Schmidt | | |
| Jason Smith | Ken Smith | Kristi Spanswick |
| Rose Stoll | Scott Wallace | Peggy Wilcox |
| Ed & Sigrid Winjum | Roger Winkels | |

- New "Club 549" members: James & Tamara Langen Jason & Tricia McClellan
- Rich & Tammy Richter Larry & Jane Wankel
- New Lifetime members: Doug & Sue Huebsch

Thank you all for supporting our schools!!!

Meet 549 Family Board Member, Brian Mort

Originally from East Liverpool, Ohio, Brian moved to the Perham district following high school in 1983. He attended Ohio State U and received his Bachelor of Computer Science degree from the U of M. In 1989, Brian was hired by Arvig Communications Systems as a computer programmer and is now their network engineer in the internet services department.

To say Brian stays active in the district is an understatement. Besides doing football defensive stats, he is also the public address announcer at home volleyball, men's and women's basketball, and wrestling matches. Brian is an active official for high school and college baseball and softball games. He has umpired 3 Class AA state baseball tournaments for the MN State High School League, numerous state softball tournaments for the MN Sports Federation and 1 national youth softball tournament.

Brian has served on the Perham Park & Rec board and he ran the Perham adult softball leagues for 12 years. He has served as the president of the Perham Yellowjacket Booster Club and VP of the MN Sports Federation. He has also served 7 years as an EMT on the Perham EMS ambulance service. He is currently an officer for the 10/71 umpires assn., president of the Perham Athletic Assn. and secretary of the 549 Family Foundation.



Brian and his wife, Connie have two children, Amanda (2005) and April (2011) and they reside in Perham.

So, Brian, why is 549 Family so important to you? *"I became an advisory member of the 549 Family Foundation because I saw that state funding was lacking. Our children need more opportunities to succeed than would be possible by state funding alone. It is necessary for our youth to be provided these opportunities. Some of the projects that have received funding from 549 Family are the Laurentian trip which teaches our youth some survival skills. We have also supported the science research team, Early Childhood Family Education, and this year are sponsoring the arts by helping with the choir's trip to New York to perform at Carnegie Hall. This spring we will be providing funds for students taking and passing the advance placement tests and have provided funds for the mass media class and many others. I hope everyone currently living in district 549 sees the good that the 549 Family Foundation is doing and will support our efforts. It is my hope that District 549 Alumni will see value they have received from their education and will respond by giving back to the foundation."*

"We are currently surviving on events to raise our funding. We need continued memberships to become a healthy and thriving organization. Please consider becoming a member of the 549 Family Foundation. Basic membership starts at \$25. per year or just over \$2 per month. Club 549 memberships are \$549 and lifetime memberships are \$1000. With your support the extras can become the common place for our students."

549 Items & Apparel

Look for the 549 Family stand before home games to find comfortable nylon covered stadium seats with back rests for only \$20.00 and show your spirit with Yellowjacket tattoos for only 25 cents each.

We'll also have Yellowjacket/549 Family beanies, blankets, Hand-cuff sweatshirts and other assorted apparel available to order.

Look for brochures to come home with students during November. Order by December 1st to get the goods in time for Christmas delivery.

Volunteer Corner

HOTL: Kathy Cavanagh needs someone to work in the new elementary book room reshelving packets of guided reading books. _ hour, 2x per week. Please call 346-5437 and leave message for Kathy to call you.

HOTL: Rachel Hoff needs people for the bookfair. 346-1414

Friday, Nov. 11 Set-up

Mon. - Fri., Nov. 14-18: 8-12 or 12-4 shifts

Friday, Nov. 18 Tear down

DENT: Rachel Hoff needs people for the bookfair: 346-1414

Friday, Dec. 2 Set-up

Mon.-Thurs., Dec. 5-8: 8-10 or 2-4 shifts

Friday, Dec. 9 8-10 shift and tear down

www.549family.com

218-347-0549

Board Members:

David Arvig

Cyndy Huber

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Superintendent to Advise:

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Brian Mort

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