

Superintendents



Mr. Peter Kavanagh 1900-1904

Mr. Kavanagh was born in 1867 in Ontario, Canada. He attended a Normal Training School course in Mankato, Minnesota. Prior to arriving in Nevis in 1900, he was Deputy County Auditor in LeSueur County for several years. He was a teacher in Hubbard County District #9 in Dorset in April 1898.

Mr. Kavanagh homesteaded a farm in Argo Township, north of Park Rapids June 28, 1900. That fall, he was elected Hubbard County's first superintendent of schools. He was a Republican. He was also a school teacher in Nevis. He was part owner and manager of the Nevis Mercantile store for 26 years. Mr.

Kavanagh also donated the land for the Catholic Church and first Catholic Cemetery, Immaculate Conception Woodlawn Cemetery, in Nevis. He passed away June 27, 1939 and his interment is in Immaculate Conception Woodlawn Cemetery, Nevis, Minnesota.

David Richard Bradford
1904-1922

He was born March 5, 1862 in Milford, Wisconsin and moved to Hubbard County, Minnesota in March 1889. Mr. Bradford ran for County Superintendent in 1904 as a Republican, unopposed. There was no election in 1916 as the position was no longer one that was elected.

Mr. W. John Smith
1913-1914

Per page 9 of the Nevis Classmate
The first superintendent of Nevis School according to Nevis Graduate 1981

Mr. R. Kirkconnel
1914-?

Per page 9 of the Nevis Classmate (he may have been principal at the same time). There was a Robert Kirkconnel, died July 7, 1945 Saint Louis County, MN.

Mr. Alvin E. Carlson
1918-1928

June 3, 1922	Mr. Carlson was hired for salary of \$2400 per year
May 5, 1923	Superintendent A.E. Carlson was hired for the next school year for \$2,000 per year (first reference to superintendent rather than Professor)
May 5, 1924	A.E. Carlson rehired as superintendent for salary of \$2,000 per year
May 9, 1925	Superintendent A.E. Carlson hired for a salary of \$2,400 per year
April 2, 1927	A.E. Carlson hired as superintendent for \$2,400 plus taking charge of the Boys and Girls Club
Resignation Date??	



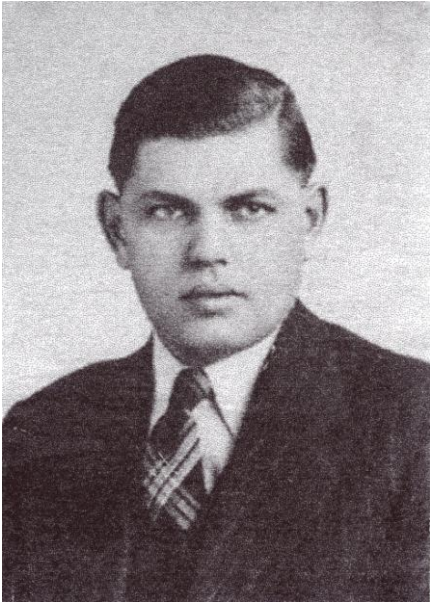
**Mr. Sondne George Reishus
1928-1935**

Mr. Reishus was born July 31, 1888 in Minot, North Dakota. He attended schools in Minot, North Dakota and McIntosh, Minnesota. In 1912, he earned his bachelors degree in foreign languages from Park Region Luther College, Fergus Falls, Minnesota (Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota). He worked in various areas of education until 1936, serving as superintendent in both Backus and Nevis, Minnesota. Mr. Reishus served at Nevis School during the Great Depression years. There was a lack of funds for the school. As a result, he needed to teach several subjects, coach, and be the superintendent for a reduced amount.

Mr. Reishus resigned from his superintendent position at Nevis School in 1935 to become a rural mail carrier in Nevis, as there was more money made in that position. He retired from carrying mail in 1958. During these 23 years, Mr. Reishus helped direct the community band and served as band teacher for a couple of years at Nevis School on an interim basis. Mr. Reishus served two terms as mayor of Nevis. He also was active in community activities.

Mr. Reishus passed away on February 4, 1960 in Park Rapids, Minnesota. His funeral services were held at the Nevis High School Auditorium. His interment is Lakeview Cemetery, Nevis, Minnesota.

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| May 5, 1928 | S. George Reishus was hired as superintendent for \$2,000 per year for 10 months and taught four subjects in high school, and ran the Boys and Girls Club |
| February 2, 1929 | Superintendent S. George Reishus was hired for \$2,200 per year for 10 months and took care of coaching |
| February 1, 1930 | Superintendent S. George Reishus' salary was \$2,200 for 10 months |
| March 7, 1931 | Superintendent S. George Reishus re-employed for \$2,200 per year |
| March 21, 1931 | Superintendent Reishus volunteered to reduce his salary to \$2,150 per year |
| February 6, 1932 | Superintendent Reishus re-employed at a salary of \$2,100 per year |
| February 11, 1933 | Superintendent S. George Reishus was re-employed at a salary of \$1,900 per year |
| April 7, 1934 | S. George Reishus was offered \$1,900 salary per year for coming school year as superintendent |
| February 2, 1935 | Superintendent salary of \$1,900 per year was offered for the upcoming year |
| December 16, 1935 | Accepted resignation of Superintendent Reishus |



**Mr. Carl Sylvester Ingebrigtsen
1936-1946**

Mr. Ingebrigtsen grew up on the prairies of North Dakota. His father was a “prairie preacher” so they moved a lot, resulting in his mother home schooling him. He passed the North Dakota State Board exams and entered Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota at the age of 15. He played football and hockey while in college. He graduated in 1929. He received his Master of Arts Degree from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

Mr. Ingebrigtsen started teaching math and science in Nevis Public School in the fall of 1929. He coached girls’ basketball in the 1930s. In the fall of 1935, he accepted the position of Nevis principal. Four months later, he was offered the superintendent position for the remainder of the school year. He remained in that position for the next ten years.

While at Nevis, Mr. Ingebrigtsen helped produce the first annual in 1938. In the fall of 1936 the Nevis School mascot was the Tiger Muskies. Then, in the fall of 1937, it was changed to the Pirates. Finally, in the fall of 1938, the Nevis School mascot was changed to what it is today, the Tigers. In 1944, the first authorized dance was held at the school during the spring junior and senior banquet.

Mr. Ingebrigtsen was superintendent at Nevis during World War II. During this time, he was reportedly the only man in the school system. The pine trees that grow around the school were planted by Mr. Ingebrigtsen and the Nevis School boys as a wind break because the school was built in a wide open field.

Mr. Ingebrigtsen left Nevis in 1946 to serve as superintendent in Westbrook, Minnesota. In 1962, he went to Frazee, Minnesota, where he was superintendent until he retired in 1976. During the 1960s, Mr. Ingebrigtsen was Chairman of the State High School League Board of Control. He passed away in 1995 and is buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Nevis, Minnesota.

December 16, 1935 Carl Ingebrigtsen was hired to fill the position as superintendent until June 1

March 3, 1936 Carl Ingebrigtsen offered a salary of \$1,800 per year for the superintendent position for next year

March 11, 1944 Superintendent was offered \$10 raise per month (total of \$2,520)

March 12, 1945 Superintendent’s salary increased to \$3,000 per year

May 10, 1946 Carl S. Ingebrigtsen’s resignation was accepted



**Mr. Floyd Richard Buck
1946-1955**

Mr. Buck graduated from Ellsworth High school in 1916, Ellsworth, Wisconsin. Since Mr. Buck took a teaching course as a senior in high school, he was certified to teach in rural schools in Wisconsin. He taught in rural schools for 1½ years before enlisting in the United States Army during World War I. He was honorably discharged. He then attended River Falls Normal School, River Falls, Wisconsin where he graduated in 1920 with a Teacher's Certificate. This allowed him to teach in any school in Wisconsin. In the fall of 1920, he became a teacher and coach in Grantsburg, Wisconsin. In 1921, he taught in Rudolph, Wisconsin for five years. During the 1926-1927 school year, he attended the University of Minnesota,

Minneapolis where he completed his Bachelor of Science Degree in September 1927. Then, he taught and coached in Marble, Minnesota from 1927-1930. In the fall of 1930, he accepted the position of superintendent at Adrian, Minnesota. In 1933, he became superintendent at Clarissa, Minnesota where he also coached basketball and football and taught algebra. **He earned his Master of Arts Degree in Education in 1943 from ??.**

In 1946, Mr. Buck accepted the superintendent position at Nevis. During his tenure, Mr. Buck was successful in passing the referendum for the Nevis original gym. The referendum was for \$135,000 to build the gym and locker rooms.

Mr. Buck worked in Nevis until accepting a school library book salesman position in Texas in 1955. In 1962, he decided to teach again. He accepted a science teaching position at Ruthven, Iowa for one year until he "retired". After moving back to Clarissa, Minnesota for relaxation during his retirement, the Clarissa School Board convinced him to return as interim superintendent for one year as they looked for a permanent replacement. Finally, in 1964, he retired to the great outdoors and his family. He passed away in June 1990 and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery in River Falls, Wisconsin.

June 3, 1946

Mr. Buck accepted a contract for Superintendent at \$3,000 per year

March 15, 1949

Mr. Buck was hired for \$4,000 per year for a 12-month salary

March 17, 1952

Superintendent salary of \$4,650 per year was offered to Mr. Buck

March 16, 1953

Superintendent salary of \$5,250 per year was offered

1953 Report

The superintendent taught one class daily. Secretarial help for the two administrators was provided by students on a part-time basis

March 9, 1954

Superintendent Buck was offered \$5,350 as an annual salary

Resignation date???

**Mr. Leonard Charles Purrington
1955-1956**



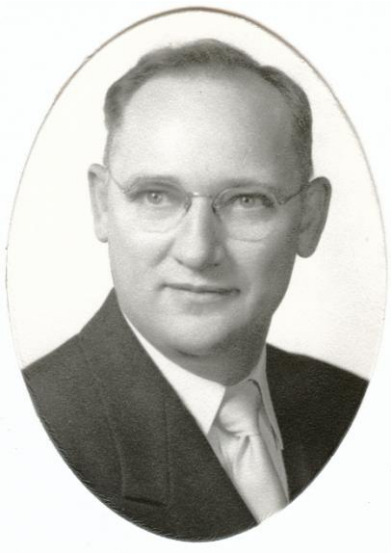
Mr. Purrington was a native of Faribault, Minnesota where he graduated from high school. He attended Mankato Teachers College (Minnesota State University, Mankato), Mankato, Minnesota where he received his Bachelors Degree in 1936. He received his Master of Arts Degree in education at the University of Minnesota in 1951. After that, he continued working on his PhD.

His career in teaching started in 1938. It was interrupted by the war where he spent 30 months in the United States Air Corps teaching radio. He was stationed at Sioux Falls, South Dakota and March Field in California. He moved to Minnesota where he

served as superintendent for two years in Edgerton, four years in Royalton and one year in Cosmos. Mr. Purrington served as superintendent for one year in Nevis. After leaving Nevis, he worked in the education field for another four years before spending 25 years as editor/publisher of the Buffalo County Journal and Pepin Laker newspapers.

He passed away on December 2, 1992 in Wabasha County, Minnesota. His interment is in Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

- March 12, 1955** The school board authorized the clerk to advertise for a new superintendent that was a married man, had experience, and was a protestant. The salary to be \$5,000-\$5,500
- April 19, 1955** Mr. Purrington of Cosmos was offered a contract for \$5,600 per year
- April 23, 1956** Mr. Purrington submitted his resignation effective July 1, 1956



Mr. Louis M. Schroeder
1956-1961

July 10, 1956

Mr. Schroeder was offered the superintendent position

February 9, 1959

A salary of \$6,900 per year for 1959-1960 was offered and accepted

July 9, 1959

A contract for 1959-1960 at \$7,400 per year was offered

Resignation??



Mr. Herbert Franz Wolff
1961-1967

Mr. Wolff graduated from Forbes High School, Forbes, North Dakota in 1938. He was drafted into the United States Army in 1942 and was honorably discharged in 1946. He earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in business education from Ellendale State Teachers College, Ellendale, North Dakota in 1949. He received his Master of Science Degree in education from University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota in 1961.

Mr. Wolff started teaching at Nevis Public School in 1949. In 1953, he became the principal at Nevis. In 1961, he was offered the superintendent contract.

In 1967, Mr. Wolff moved to Clarissa, Minnesota where he served as superintendent until he retired in 1981. He then moved back to Nevis where he served as mayor from 1983 until his death in 1989. His interment is at Lakeview Cemetery, Nevis, Minnesota. With full military honors at his funeral, Mr. Wolff's family received the flag that was draped over his coffin. That flag was donated to Nevis School and still hangs in the Tiger Arena today.

July 22, 1961

Mr. Wolff was offered superintendent position at a salary of \$7,200 per year

February 12, 1963

His contract for 1963-1964 at \$8,300

February 15, 1966

His contract for 1965-1966 at \$9,500 per year was approved

February 13, 1967

Mr. Wolff's resignation as superintendent was approved effective July 1, 1967



**Mr. Donald Eugene Jostad
1967-1972**

Mr. Jostad served as Sergeant in the Army during the Korean War 1951-1953. After being honorably discharged, he earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in 1957 with majors in music and social studies from Wisconsin State College, Superior, Wisconsin. He earned his Master of Arts Degree from the University of Minnesota in 1961. He was a band teacher and principal in North Dakota prior to arriving in Nevis.

While at Nevis, Mr. Jostad had an eleven year old son Steven that was killed in a biking accident while delivering newspapers in 1968. Steven is buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Nevis.

Mr. Jostad left Nevis to pursue a career in private business in Arkansas. He purchased the Fox Motel in 1972. In 1975, he sold the motel after accepting a position with the Arkansas Department of Education for an Administrative Position. Mr. Jostad worked for the Arkansas Department of Education until his retirement in 1995.

Mr. Jostad passed away on October 11, 2002 in Bryant, Saline County, Arkansas.

March 9, 1967

Mr. Jostad was offered a contract for 1967-1968 at \$9,500 per year. He was also offered the driver's education contract for the school year at a salary of \$200 per year.

January 29, 1968

He was offered a contract for \$10,500 per year.

March 15, 1968

The board offered Mr. Jostad a contract salary of \$11,000 per year.

April 13, 1970

Mr. Jostad's contract was for \$13,700 per year for the 1971-1972 school year.

April 12, 1971

Mr. Jostad's salary was approved with a salary of \$13,700 per year.

July 17, 1972

Mr. Jostad presented his resignation to the board, effective July 25, 1972.



**Mr. James Gregory Belden
1972-1974**

Mr. Belden was born December 13, 1934 St. Paul, Minnesota. He graduated from St. Paul High School in 1952. After graduation he went to college at Winona State University. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War Conflict 1956-1958. After his honorable discharge from the Army, Mr. Belden finished his Bachelors Degree at Winona State University in the spring of 1959 in mathematics and science.

He started teaching that fall in Mabel, Minnesota. He then taught in Silver Lake, Minnesota. He attended the University of Minnesota to work on his Masters degree. He then taught in Hanska and Badger, Minnesota. After that he taught in Clear Lake, Wisconsin. Mr. Belden then taught in Superior, Wisconsin while finishing his Specialists Degree from Superior State University (University of Wisconsin, Superior). In 1971, he accepted the principal's position at Nevis, Minnesota. The following year he was appointed superintendent. He served as superintendent in Nevis from 1972-1974. He then moved to Sioux Valley, Minnesota where he taught for one year before moving to St. Cloud in 1975. Mr. James Belden retired from education after teaching two years in Pierz, Minnesota.

Mr. Belden died January 28, 1996 in Saint Cloud, Stearns County, Minnesota with interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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| August 7, 1972 | Contract offered to Mr. Belden as high school principal and teacher with a salary of \$13,500 per year |
| September 10, 1972 | The state advised the school board and they appointed Mr. Belden to be superintendent and acting high school principal |
| March 9, 1973 | Approved continuing Mr. Belden's contract for the 1973-1974 school year at the same salary |
| June 17, 1974 | Mr. Belden resigned as superintendent at a special meeting |



**Mr. Edward Hegbom Ness
1974-1976 and 1977-1978**

Mr. Ness attended school in Oslo, Norway for grades one through three. He graduated from Denfeld High School in Duluth, Minnesota in 1935. He worked in the Civilian Conservation Corps for two years. He earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from St. Olaf College in 1941 with majors in Social Studies and Norwegian and a minor in English. The requirement at the time was that any student with a parent of Norwegian background must take at least one year of Norwegian language. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1942. He served in Hawaii and the European Theatre before being honorably discharged in 1945. He earned his Master of Arts Degree from the University of Minnesota in 1953.

Mr. Ness began his teaching career in 1947 in Rush City, Minnesota where he taught history. Mr. Ness taught school for twelve years in various communities. He served as principal for Spring Grove High School, Spring Grove, Minnesota from 1958-1961. Then, he served as superintendent at Grey Eagle, Minnesota 1961-1963. Mr. Ness then served as high school principal in Grand Rapids (Bigfork), Minnesota from 1964-1968. For the next four years, he served as superintendent in Franklin, Minnesota. Finally, he served as principal and taught 7th grade English in Goodridge, Minnesota for one year, 1972-1973, prior to becoming principal in Nevis High School in the fall of 1973.

Mr. Ness served as Nevis principal 1973-1974 and taught English and world history. He was superintendent from 1974-1976. Mr. Ness was principal from 1976-1977. From 1977-1978 he served as both principal and superintendent. Finally, he served as high school principal from 1978-1979 when he also taught American history and was Student Council advisor. In 1979, he retired from education after thirty-two years.

Mr. Ness served as Nevis Community Education Director for the 1982-1983 school year. He taught a community education class of 10 sessions in 1981 on how to speak Norwegian. Mr. Ness passed away August 27, 2001. His interment is in Our Saviors Lutheran Church Cemetery, Ham Lake, Minnesota.

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| August 19, 1974 | Served as acting superintendent |
| September 22, 1975 | Superintendent Ness' contract will stand as signed, 12-month contract for \$15,350 for basic services plus \$500 mileage |
| July 20, 1976 | Submitted his resignation as superintendent effective August 18, 1976 to become the high school principal |
| August 3, 1977 | Mr. Ness appointed acting superintendent at a salary of \$350 per week until the school board hired a full time superintendent |
| October 24, 1977 | Mr. Ness hired as principal at a salary of \$17,000 for the school year, plus \$500 per month for superintendent |



**Mr. John Edward Marlett
1976-1977**

Mr. Marlett graduated from Minneapolis Central High School, Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1946. He then served in the United States Navy from June 1946 through April 1948. He earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from Abilene Christian College, Abilene, Texas, in 1954 with a major in biology secondary education and minors in English and general science. He earned his Master of Science Degree from University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1969 in administration and supervision.

Mr. Marlett worked as a science teacher at Wabena High School, Wabena, Wisconsin in 1955-1958. He then taught science, English, and United States history for fourteen years in Sheboygan County Teachers College, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin 1958-1972. From 1972-1974 he served as high school principal at Marshall County Central, Newfolds, Minnesota. He was superintendent of Magnolia Public Schools, Magnolia, Minnesota from 1974-1976.

He served as superintendent of Nevis School for one year, 1976-1977. After leaving public education, he started home schooling his own five children in the fall of 1977. He has lived in the Nevis area ever since.

- August 9, 1976** Contract offered to Mr. Marlett for the 1976-1977 school year with a salary of \$19,000 for the year, plus \$600 insurance and \$550 mileage allowance. He was to start work August 16.
- February 28, 1977** Mr. Marlett's contract was not renewed for the 1977-1978 school year

**Mr. Marlowe Eugene Halbur
1978-1989**



Mr. Halbur earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of South Dakota, Springfield. He earned his Master of Science Degree from Northern State College, Aberdeen, South Dakota in 1965. He earned his specialist degree in June 1979 from Mankato State University, Mankato, Minnesota.

Mr. Halbur worked in the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the South Dakota Indian Reservation from 1958-1971. He then served as principal at Morgan, Minnesota 1971-1973. From 1973-1978 he served as Chief Administrator of St. Mary's School in Little Falls, Minnesota.

In 1978, Mr. Halbur was hired as superintendent of Nevis Public School. Mr. Halbur was superintendent when the current school building was built. He was part of many meetings between Akeley, Walker, and Nevis school boards as consolidation was discussed. Nevis voted to remain independent and build a new building to remain the independent school it is today.

In 1989, Mr. Halbur left Nevis to accept a position as superintendent of schools where five school districts were joining to form one, Lac Qui Parle Valley High School, Lac Qui Parle County, Minnesota.

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| May 8, 1978 | The school board approved offering Mr. Halbur a contract for \$22,000 per year plus insurance and mileage for one year |
| November 19, 1979 | Superintendent Halbur's salary increased from \$22,000 to \$25,000 |
| July 11, 1980 | Salary was raised \$2500 to \$27,500 per year |
| November 23, 1981 | Superintendent Halbur was given a 10.9% raise from \$27,500 to \$30,500. His full insurance premium of \$970 was paid |
| June 21, 1982 | Mr. Halbur's contract negotiations resulted in a contract of \$34,500, including the position of elementary principal, full family insurance, 20 days vacation, and principal memberships |
| December 1983 | Laporte School Board voted to share a superintendent and pay Mr. Halbur \$600 per month for services plus paying the Nevis School District \$600 for his services. Mr. Halbur was to spend 3 days per month in Laporte, the time coming out of his Nevis vacation time as his Nevis contract would not be reduced. The sharing agreement was to last from December 1983 to July 1984. The Nevis board approved the same contract on November 31. |
| November 28, 1988 | Mr. Halbur was offered a contract of \$45,269 for the 1987-1988 school year and \$47,868 for the 1988-1989 school year |
| May 16, 1989 | Mr. Halbur submitted his resignation after serving eleven years. |



**Mr. Richard Dean Magaard
1989-2003**

Mr. Magaard graduated from Willmar High School, Willmar, Minnesota in 1962. He enlisted in the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War (need info dates of enlistment and discharge). He earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Southwest State University, Marshall, Minnesota in 1971 with a major in English-language arts. He earned his Master of Science Degree in English from St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota in 1978. He earned his sixth year degree in educational administration from St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Mr. Magaard taught English at Ogilvie, Minnesota from 1971-1973. He then taught English at Alexandria High School, Alexandria, Minnesota 1973-1982. He served as high school principal in Nevis from 1982-1989 when he was offered a superintendent contract.

Mr. Magaard served as superintendent for fourteen years before retiring in 2003. This was the longest tenure of any superintendent of Nevis. During his tenure, there were several changes. The school was awarded a grant for cell phones, where every teacher was given a cell phone, allowing immediate communication. The referendum was passed and the construction finished for the Tiger Arena addition. During this time, the school grew from a single section to a two-section school.

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| May 16, 1989 | Mr. Halbur made the recommendation to hire Mr. Richard Magaard as the new superintendent |
| June 26, 1989 | Mr. Magaard was offered the position of superintendent and high school principal with a contract for \$47,148 per year for the 1989-1990 school year |
| February 24, 1992 | A contract was offered to Mr. Magaard with a 3% total package increase and \$2,500 incentive for the 1991-1992 school year and 3% increase for the 1992-1993 school year |
| January 16, 1996 | A 3-year contract was offered to Mr. Magaard with increases of \$1,702.96 and \$1,754.05 per year |
| September 28, 1998 | Mr. Magaard's contract was established as 220 days in length, a salary increase of \$1,759 for the 1997-1998 school year, an increase of \$1,812 for the 1998-1999 school year and a \$2,000 increase yearly until employment terminates |
| March 24, 2003 | The school board approved the resignation of retiring Mr. Magaard as superintendent from Nevis Public School effective June 30, 2003 |

**Dr. Douglas McGee DeWitt
2003-2005**



Dr. DeWitt earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in history and a minor in athletic coaching from the University of Redlands, California in 1981. He earned his Master of Arts Degree in education with an emphasis in administrative services from the University of Redlands, California in 1986. He earned his PhD from Claremont Graduate University, California with an emphasis in educational administration in 1993.

Dr. DeWitt taught social studies and performing arts and coached football, baseball, volleyball, badminton, and drama at Morena Valley High School, Morena Valley, California 1983-1987. He then served as

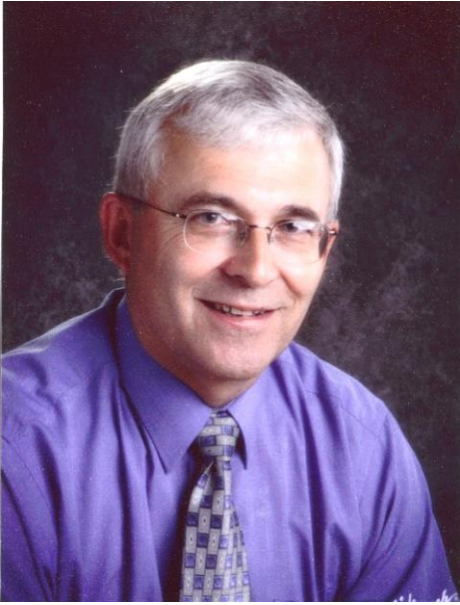
Canyon Springs High School, Morena Valley, California dean of students 1987-1991. He was assistant principal at March Mountain Continuation High School, Morena Valley, California from 1991-1992. He served as assistant principal of Silver Valley High School, Silver Valley, California 1992-1993. Dr. DeWitt then served as principal of San Bernardino County Alternative Education School 1993-1996. He then moved to Minnesota where he served as Burnsville High School Principal from 1996-2000. Dr. DeWitt taught at Minnesota State University, Mankato, Minnesota in the Educational Leadership Department as a fixed-term assistant professor from August 2000-May 2002. He then worked as an independent education consultant for one year before becoming superintendent of Nevis Public Schools.

Dr. DeWitt served as superintendent of Nevis Public School from 2003-2005. After leaving Nevis, Dr. DeWitt served as an adjunct professor for Minnesota State University until December 2006. At the same time he was working as an adjunct professor with Bethel University from August 2002-August 2007. He then worked as an adjunct professor with University of Phoenix online from August 2003-present. Dr. DeWitt then served as adjunct professor of Capella University online from April 2004-present. His current position is assistant professor at Salisbury University, Salisbury, Maryland where he started working in August 2007.

Hiring??

March 22, 2005

The school board approved the resignation of Dr. DeWitt at a special board meeting.



**Mr. Steven Howard Rassier
2005-present**

Mr. Rassier earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in education with a history major and a math minor in 1971 from Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minnesota. He earned his Masters of Science Degree in Education Administration in 1982 from North Dakota State University, Fargo, North Dakota.

Mr. Rassier started his career in education at Walhalla Public School, Walhalla, North Dakota where he taught social studies and math from 1972-1980. For the next two years, he was a graduate assistant at North Dakota State University, Fargo, North Dakota. From 1982-1985 he served as secondary principal at Ray Public School, Ray,

North Dakota. His first superintendent position was at Regent Public School, Regent, North Dakota from 1985-1990. He then served as superintendent in Hettinger Public School, Hettinger, North Dakota from 1990-2001. Finally, he served as superintendent of Minneota Public Schools from May 2001-June 2005 prior to arriving in Nevis.

May 26, 2005

School board members approved offering Mr. Rassier a contract for the 2005-2006 school year after a positive review of the site visit

June 27, 2005

Approved the hiring of Mr. Rassier as superintendent under a two-year contract, effective July 1, 2005, at a rate of \$80,000 for the 2005-2006 school year and \$82,400 for the 2006-2007 school year