Hazel E. Kjonaas came to Northwest Nazarene College from Starbuck, Minnesota in 1928. It was here that she met and married Charles W. Croft.

Charles and Hazel began pastoring in Cheney, Washington, and pastored congregations in Washington and California until Charles' long-term illness in 1951. Hazel then began work as a social worker in California and continued in that job until her retirement.

In 1973 the couple moved back to Nampa to be near their children and NNC. Here Hazel continued to be the consummate wife and mother, sewing clothes for ten family members and adoring each of them.

Her love for her college knew no bounds, and for years she was the backbone of the Women's Auxiliary and its country store, creating beautiful dolls, ornaments, or afghans to be sold—with all of the money going to the College.

Her life was characterized by laughter and by giving. Her laughter is still now, but her giving will continue through this scholarship.

**Criteria for the Award**

1. Recipients are to be students who meet general scholastic requirements and show potential for academic success and degree completion;
2. Financial need shall be a consideration in the awarding of this scholarship;
3. Recipients may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed four years;
4. Nominations for this award are to be made through the Office of Financial Aid.

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