The Vance and Margaret Dix Family Scholarship

Vance Dix was born in Portland, Oregon, in 1925. He graduated from Benson Polytechnic High School and served in the United States Navy during World War II. Vance attended Portland State University and after graduating from Western Oregon State College, taught school for six years at Nehalem, Oregon.

Margaret McDougall was also born in Portland, in 1927. She graduated from Franklin High School and attended Biola University while Vance was in the Navy.

The childhood sweethearts married in 1947 and raised a family of six children. Their youngest daughter, Rebecca, graduated from Northwest Nazarene College in 1990 with a degree in physical education. In 1989 she was selected “most inspirational player” in women’s volleyball, and served as captain of the women’s basketball team. Rebecca and her husband, Scott Wadekamper, reside in Hermiston, Oregon, with their son Tyler Scott. The other Dix children are scattered across the United States and try to have a family reunion at least every two years.

Long-time residents of Haines, Oregon, the Dix family owned and operated the Haines Telephone Company for 23 years, selling to Cascade Utilities in 1979. They were also involved in a number of other business interests. Now retired in Haines, Vance and Margaret enjoy attending the Baker City Church of the Nazarene.

Criteria for the Award

1. Recipients are to be persons of Christian commitment and character who show potential for future service;

2. Awards are to be given to students whose desire is to complete their graduate degree and who show consistent progress toward this goal, who demonstrate potential for participation in women’s intercollegiate athletics, and who have significant financial need;

3. Recipients of the award are to maintain a GPA of 2.5 or above;

4. Nominations for this award are to be made by the Athletic Department and/or the Office of Financial Aid, with preference given to girls volleyball and/or basketball team members.

A most satisfying way to honor a loved one or friend is to invest in a life yet to be lived.

Gifts to NNU’s Endowed Scholarship Program become a “helping hand” to students as they prepare for their vocations and for lives of service to others.

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