

Weiss bequest funds med school endowment

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The memory of Dr. George and Sonie Weiss will live on at the University of Nevada School of Medicine.

Mrs. Weiss made a \$50,000 bequest to the school to start an endowment to support excellence in teaching in family medicine. The presentation of the check was made recently to medical school dean Dr. Robert Daugherty and family medicine chairman Dr. George Hess by Felix Scott, Mrs. Weiss' executor, and Bill Macdonald, her attorney.

This bequest follows a number of earlier gifts made to the school by the Weiss family, including \$25,000 to furnish and equip the George Weiss, M.D. conference room at the Reno Family Medicine Center. Mrs. Weiss also donated books to the medical library and established a memorial at the time of Dr. Weiss' death, to which his friends and patients contributed.

"Gifts such as these allow the school to develop excellence in its programs," said Dr. Daugherty. "We are grateful to the Weiss family and are pleased that their name will be a permanent part of the family practice program we are building. We consider this to be a wonderful tribute to a man who was a kind and caring physician."

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The will also included a \$25,000 gift to the Northern Nevada Cancer Council to further cancer research in Nevada.

Dr. and Mrs. Weiss came to Nevada in 1934 when he relocated to Winnemucca from Cook County Hospital and Municipal Tuberculosis Hospital in Chicago.

In 1969, Dr. Weiss received the "Man of the Year" award for distinguished services to the community; he also was chief of staff of Humboldt General Hospital and was a long-time member of Phi Delta Epsilon National Medical Fraternity, Washoe Medical Society, Nevada State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

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