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# Scholarship in honor of Dr. Jack L. Davis available to Western Nevada College students



Dr. Jack L. Davis with his family. From the left is Amy Johnson, daughter; Linda Davis, wife; Dr. Davis; and Andrea Morinoue, daughter.

The medical staff of Carson Tahoe Health is offering the Jack L. Davis Memorial Scholarship fund to benefit Western Nevada College students, in memory of the orthopedic surgeon who passed away earlier this year.

The memorial scholarship, administered by the Western Nevada College Foundation, is designed to support and encourage the science professionals of tomorrow by contributing \$1,000 each year to two Western Nevada College students pursuing degrees in the sciences.

“Several months ago, Carson Tahoe Health was deeply saddened to lose Dr. Jack L. Davis, a trusted friend and part of the Carson Tahoe family for over 15 years,” Kitty McKay, director of foundation development for the Carson Tahoe Health Foundation, said. “And although he is no longer with us, Dr. Davis’ contributions and legacy of support continue to make a positive impact throughout the Carson Tahoe medical system and community.”

Inspired by his passion for science, and understanding the value of a solid community college education, the medical staff of Carson Tahoe Health joined together to create a \$2,000 recurring annual scholarship to honor their colleague, McKay said.

“As a natural science enthusiast, Dr. Davis enjoyed many visits to WNC’s Jack C. Davis Observatory during his lifetime,” McKay said. “Carson Tahoe’s medical staff is grateful for the opportunity to honor Dr. Davis in such a personalized and meaningful way, one that can be felt by aspiring science professionals year after year, and they hope that by supporting science education at Western Nevada College, they are contributing to bright futures for generations to come.”

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The observatory, named for the founding president of WNC, Jack C. Davis, is supported for non-academic purposes by the WNC Foundation.

“Dr. Jack L. Davis spent a lot of his free time at the WNC Jack C. Davis Observatory doing what he loved, studying the stars,” Katie Leao, director of the WNC Foundation. “The Observatory has always held a special place in his heart and the countless hours he dedicated as a volunteer and donor made an impact on the students and community who came to the Observatory. The WNC Foundation is grateful to the medical staff at Carson Tahoe for acknowledging his passion outside of work and with the newly formed Jack L. Davis Scholarship, students with the same passion for astronomy and the sciences will be able to continue to meet their educational goals and pursue a field that they love.”

Information about how to contribute to the Jack C. Davis Observatory or the Western Nevada College Foundation can be found at <http://www.wnc.edu/foundation/>.

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