

McKee Family Legacy Applauds Service to Others

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Jim and Cheryl McKee and family want to make a difference in the lives of college-bound students who share a strong work ethic and Christian values as evidenced by service to others.

The McKee Family Matthew 5:16 Scholarship Fund in 2012 awarded its first scholarship to a graduating Tipp City schools senior.

The McKees said they know how expensive college can be, but also see the value of education.

Cheryl (Dorsey) McKee is a Tipp City native, Tippecanoe High School graduate and holds a bachelor's degree in education from The Ohio State University and a master's in education from The University of Dayton. She taught for nine years in the Tipp City schools before staying home to raise their children.

Jim McKee, a Newark, Ohio, native, holds bachelor's degrees with a double major in Economics and Finance from The University of Dayton, worked at NCR and received a master's from UD. He taught at Capital University for 16 years before establishing an investment advisory business in 2001.

The McKees have two daughters, Kate, and Maggie, and one son, Patrick.

The McKees are active at the Christian Life Center. Jim is a past member of the Tipp City Schools Board of Education where he was instrumental in starting the Tipp Educational Endowment, which currently has assets in excess of \$400,000.

As Legacy Donors, the McKees will add to the scholarship fund to make it an endowment. The scholarship is awarded to a student with a 2.5 to 3.5 GPA who meets the McKees' other criteria.

The "B" student was selected after Jim asked a retired teacher what type of student she found to be successful over the years.

"Students with "B" averages have limited scholarship opportunities so we thought this was a good niche to fill. We want to invest our money in students who have a high likelihood of being successful and contributing positively to society," the McKees said.

The McKees involved their children in long-term management of the fund to emphasize to them the importance of giving to others.

"We chose the Tipp Foundation to receive this legacy gift because we trust the people who manage the Foundation. The Foundation's willingness to work with us on the design and implementation of the scholarship fund was extraordinary," the McKees said.

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