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DURHAM, N.H. -- Kinsley van R. Dey Jr, a longtime supporter of the University of New Hampshire and member of the class of '48, has been named the first recipient of the UNH Foundation's Hubbard Family Award for Service to Philanthropy. The award is named in honor of the university's greatest benefactors, Oliver, Austin, and Leslie Hubbard, and recognizes outstanding individuals whose philanthropic leadership has significantly strengthened the university. UNH President Joan Leitzel recently presented the award to Dey on behalf of the foundation.

Dey began his involvement with the university when he entered as a freshman in 1943. He worked to fund his education by making clay for the art department and collecting tickets at athletic events. He left to join the U.S. Marine Corps and returned to UNH to graduate with a degree in English in 1948. He went on to hold marketing and executive positions for a number of large corporations.

In 1980, he emerged as a leading fundraiser for UNH's \$18.3 million Campaign for Distinction. He later chaired the \$4 million campaign for the Whittemore Center and established an endowment to support the university's Writing Across the Curriculum initiative. Working with former UNH President Gordon Haaland, he helped build the National Development Committee, a first step towards the creation of the UNH Foundation. Dey was elected unanimously as the foundation's first chair, a position he held for nine years. He currently serves as chair of the Emeriti Directors Council of the foundation. He is also a member of the National Volunteer Committee for the Next Horizon campaign.

"Throughout the years, K.v. Dey has never forgotten about UNH and the impact it has had on his life," says UNH Foundation President Young Dawkins III. "Singular in his efforts, he has cultivated our collective success by planting the seeds for generosity at the University of New Hampshire." The university recognized Dey with the Profile of Service Award in 1990, and the Alumni Meritorious Service Award in 1995. He also is a member of the President's Council and the Milne Society.

Through a series of important and often anonymous gifts to benefit the university, the Hubbard family has allowed UNH to significantly expand its academic programs and build important student scholarship funds. The Hubbard Family Award for Service to Philanthropy will be presented periodically to recognize outstanding donors who have advanced the cause of public higher education at the University of New Hampshire.

The UNH Foundation is an independent charitable organization dedicated to increasing private support for the university. Thanks to the thoughtful generosity of UNH's alumni and friends, the university has increased opportunities for students, expand/ed its finest programs and strengthened the university's commitment to public service.

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