

## Questions and Answers about Ohav Shalom Scholarships

### **Q: What are these scholarships for?**

A: The scholarships are designed to encourage young people to participate in an intensive Jewish summer program, Jewish camp program or trip to Israel. Typically, the scholarships fund trips to Poland and Israel, USY-on-Wheels, USY encampment and Camp Ramah, among others.

### **Q: Who is eligible to apply for a scholarship?**

A: Any child of an Ohav Shalom member in good standing

### **Q: Why should parents encourage their children to apply for these scholarships?**

A: This past year, the committee awarded three named scholarships and 8 general scholarships totaling \$4,800. The scholarships exist to help young people access meaningful Jewish experiences that will bring them closer to Judaism.

### **Q: What's the difference between a "named" scholarship and a general scholarship?**

A: The named scholarships were established by congregants and are subject to specific requirements and approval by the funders. They are generally awarded to high school students who exhibit outstanding qualities such as leadership, personal merit, Judaic study, service to the congregation, USY and/or the Jewish community and/or demonstrate financial need. An essay must accompany the completed application.

General scholarships are funded by annual investment income from the General Scholarship Fund and by contributions made throughout the year. To apply for this scholarship, one need only submit the completed form.

### **Q: Where can the applications be found?**

A: At the Ohav website [www.ohavshalom.com](http://www.ohavshalom.com) under "Forms and Resources"; in the February and March edition of DASH; or by calling the Ohav Shalom office at 489-4706.

### **Q: What is the deadline for submission?**

A: April 1, 2012

### **Q: Once I apply for a scholarship, what happens next?**

A: The Scholarship Committee will meet to review applications in mid to late April and notify the recipients in early May so they can make their summer plans.

### **Q. Can I apply for a scholarship even if I received a scholarship last year?**

A. Yes.

### **Q. Are there other community Scholarships available and if I apply for other scholarships does that effect my application for an Ohav Scholarship.**

A. The United Jewish Federation of NE New York has scholarships available but they are on a need basis. If you apply for a Federation Scholarship it will not effect your application for an Ohav Scholarship. To apply for a Federation Scholarship check the Federation web page at [www.jewishfedny.org](http://www.jewishfedny.org) and look for Jewish Enrichment Scholarship. The deadline is not the same as the deadline for the submission of a scholarship to Ohav and there are different requirements.

### **Q: What if I have more questions?**

A: Contact Alan A. Pfeffer at [apfeffer@nycap.rr.com](mailto:apfeffer@nycap.rr.com) or 475-1226