

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



In electing to study medicine, the Belarus-born Ilya Zolotnik (pictured above) follows in the footsteps of his beloved grandfather, Dr. Leon Zolotnik,

who had been a physician in Russia. As he addressed the attendees of the 41st annual JVS Scholarship Awards Ceremony in July, Zolotnik noted that he carried his late grandfather's stethoscope as a treasured momento and source of inspiration.

Having been a multiple year recipient of JVS scholarships and having completed his studies at Wayne State University, Zolotnik decided the time was right to "pay it forward." On the night of the awards ceremony, Zolotnik - who is currently in residency at Loma Linda University Medical Center – donated a portion of his first paycheck to the JVS Scholarship Program.

"The JVS Scholarship was tremendously helpful, as it allowed me to pay for things vital for my education that I would otherwise have struggled to pay for," Zolotnik said. "I want to make sure that those programs that helped me are going to be there in the future to help other kids coming behind me."

MISSION

The JVS Scholarship
Program supports Jewish
undergraduate and graduate
students through the granting
of financial need based
scholarships. The program
assists students who are
attending schools and
universities nationally in order
to continue their educational
paths to career success.

The JVS Scholarship Program has awarded over 3,800 scholarships totaling nearly \$6 million since its founding in 1972.

To learn more about our program and scholarship recipients, please visit www.jvsla.org/scholarship

JVS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION: COMPLETING THE CIRCLE

From 1988 to 1992, when Kevin Hayavi was a student at Cal State University, Northridge and later at Wayne State University School of Medicine in Michigan, his JVS Scholarship provided some much welcome peace of mind.

"It let me work less and stay in school and not have to worry about my education," says Hayavi who is now the medical director of Beverly Hills Physicians, a large L.A. based medical group. "After I finished my training and paid back my loan, I was looking to give back."

And give back he has, with a \$2,000 Kevin Hayavi Scholarship to help a deserving student in 2014-15. Dr. Hayavi's donation has been matched by JVS Scholarship Co-Chairs Nan Kalish Goodman and Jonathan Karp thereby allowing a second student to receive a JVS Alumni Association Scholarship.



Kevin Hayavi, M.D.

The students selected to receive JVS Alumni Scholarship understand the value of the contributions of alumni donors. Theodore Goldsmith, who received the first JVS Alumni Scholarship in 2012, fully expects the time will come when he too will continue the circle

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CIRCLE OF HONOR DONORS

Polly Marks Weinberg and Herb Weinberg with their Scholarship recipient Nima Boostani and guest

Although she insists she never solicits, Circle of Honor donor Polly Marks Weinberg is not shy about telling people about the JVS Scholarship Program, which she and her family have long supported.

"In conversations," Weinberg says, "often over the bridge table."

Weinberg's late husband Ed Marks was a former JVS President and her current husband Herb Weinberg has continued the family's dedication to the JVS Scholarship Program. On one occasion, when Marks Weinberg spoke, her friend Barbara Herman listened. Herman had contributed to other scholarship programs in the past and was looking to find another education-related initiative to support.

JVS became the lucky recipient as Herman endowed a Scholarship at the Gold Circle of Honor level. As Scholarship Committee members, Marks Weinberg and Herman both take part in the JVS Scholarship Committee interviews during which they help decide which applicants will receive financial assistance.

"The interviews are quite fascinating," says Herman. "It really makes me feel like I am making a difference."

Herman was particularly pleased with her 2013 Scholarship recipient. Lauren Dubey, an aspiring nurse at the University of San Francisco and the daughter of JVS Strictly Business Inspiration Award winner Larry Dubey.



Barbara Herman

"It was such a pleasure to give back to somebody who really needs and wants a scholarship and will do something good with it," said Herman.

Marks Weinberg enthusiastically agrees. She has followed the progress of her student from junior college through UCLA and into dental school and knows that the student's sister has been helped through the JVS Scholarship Program as well. "We've personally been invited to their home for Shabbat dinner," Weinberg says. "The connection has been terrific."

IVS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION:



Student Speaker Theodore Goldsmith.

of paying it forward to help the next generation of students.

Goldsmith, who was a featured speaker at the 41st annual JVS Scholarship Awards Ceremony, is in his second year of graduate studies at Aliant International University. He is pursuing a doctorate in psychology and hopes to work with children.

"It's an honor to know that people who were in my position have moved on and are giving back and staying connected to JVS," says Goldsmith. "The Alumni Association Scholarship demonstrates that even giving back a little bit can add up and make a difference to somebody. It certainly has for me."

FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

There is no scientific proof that values and priorities can be genetically inherited, but – DNA or no DNA- they most certainly can be passed down. Nobody knows this better than the Powell family whose interest in education – and in supporting the JVS Scholarship Program – has now reached its third generation.

Two sets of Powells are Circle of Honor donors. Patriarch Larry and his wife Joyce not only permanently endow a scholarship for a single student, they make extra contributions each year to enable an additional two students to receive JVS Scholarships. Through the Debbie, Rick, Jeremy and Ashley Powell Scholarship Fund, former JVS President Rick Powell also helps numerous students each year make their educational dreams come true.



Joyce and Larry Powell with their scholarship recipient Soroush Fornoosh

"The idea of helping young people so they can go on with their schooling was very important to us," says Joyce Powell. "We have had some of our students for several years and we have followed their careers. It makes us feel good to know that we're able to help these students with their lives. It's very gratifying."

Now the third generation of Powells is also getting into the act, with Rick and Debbie's daughter Ashley contributing financially to the Powell family's Platinum Circle of Honor fund. The issue of education has particular resonance to Ashley who is herself still a student pursuing both a Masters in Social Work and a Masters in Public Administration at USC after earning her undergraduate degree at Occidental College.

"Everyone should be able to access the level of education I have attained, and at a reasonable cost," says Ashley. "In the Jewish community, we're taught to help others. It's part of our values."

Donors Making a Difference



Fred and Susan Kunik

JVS board member Fred Kunik and his wife Susan made a significant contribution to the JVS Scholarship program, thereby endowing several students. Then Fred reached out to the Western Union Foundation and urged them to match the grant through an educational endowment program that the foundation operates.

Western Union was open to the idea and, as a result, eight students were funded and have received JVS Scholarships in 2013-14. "I thought this was a nice opportunity to be able to give more in a meaningful way," he says. "It's good to be able to spread the money around to a variety of people with a variety of educational interests."

A WORD FROM OUR SCHOLARSHIP CO-CHAIRS



Nan Kalish Goodman and Jonathan Karp

The JVS Scholarship Program became a reality in 1972 with the assistance of the Jewish Community Foundation. The

program continues to grow both in the number of students helped and the amount of awards granted each year. Scholarship Committee Members passionately believe it is our responsibility to help educate our youth with the expectation of perpetuating tikkun olam I'dor v' dor.

Interviewing candidates and determining monetary awards enhances our donors' profound understanding of the challenges our recipients face in the pursuit of their educational goals. Today's alumni continue this mitzvah by becoming donors, supporters and Committee Members themselves. We thank each and every one of you for making this program possible and encourage your continued support



Alan Berlin with his scholarship recipient Michelle Westmiller



Nan Kalish Goodman (second from right) with scholarship recipients Elizabeth Heyman, Rachel Gaba and Zackery Kay



Pearle Ray Levey with her scholarship recipients Spencer Cox, Sahar Rosenblum and Meir Fishman Cofri



Scholarship recipient Leah Loeterman with her donor Rhea Coskey



Dr. Sanford Gaynor and Jeanie Gaynor with their scholarship recipient Alan Lavian



Scholarship recipient Moshe Eizdi with his donor Louis Kennedy



Ellen Weisman Morehead with her scholarship recipient Daniel Polster



Scholarship recipient Gabbi Reade (center) with her donors Leland and Erica Felsenthal

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Circle of Honor donors have made cumulative contributions of \$25,000 or more to permanently endow scholarships

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HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are many ways to make a difference in the life of a local lewish student. Gifts of any amount are deeply appreciated.

A gift to the IVS Scholarship Program is a meaningful way to remember a loved one or to honor a friend or relative on a special occasion.

Donors sponsor one or more students for one academic year, with a named scholarship, for a minimum of \$2,000 per student per year. Many donors make Adopt A Student gifts in honor or memory of loved ones, and you can too.

Endowment donors sponsor one or more students each year with interest generated from permanently endowed funds. Circle of Honor donor pledges range from \$25,000 to \$50,000 to \$100,000 to create a named scholarship. (Can be paid over time).

LEGACY SOCIET

Including the JVS Scholarship Program as part of your estate planning is a significant way to ensure that your commitment to this vital, life-changing program continues for generations to come.



Scholarship recipient Melinda Grodsky with her donor, JVS CEO Vivian Seigel

\$82,850

In 18 Years

COLLEGE COSTS CONTINUE TO RISE

\$100,000 -

If recent trends cited by the College Board continue, the average cost for a single year of college will increase steadily for years to come.

FOR EXAMPLE:

The cost of one year of college if your child begins:

Private College \$90,000 -\$80,000 -Public College \$70,000 -\$58,406 \$60,000 -\$50,000 -\$41, 174 \$40,000 -\$36,615 \$29,026 \$30.000 -\$24,402 \$17,202 \$20,000 -\$12,127 \$10,000 -\$0. This Year In 5 Years In 12 Years

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