## **GUIDELINES FOR SCHOLARSHIP REQUESTS**

The WRJ Midwest District Scholarship Fund Account will be used to fulfill requests by sisterhood members for financial assistance to attend WRJ assemblies, district conventions, WRJ leadership conferences, district interim board meetings, and Kallah.

Scholarship requests will not be automatically granted. Factors that may be considered in granting scholarships as well as the dollar amount of scholarships, include: the number of requests submitted to the district, the number of requests by the same sisterhood, and the number of times the same individual has requested financial assistance.

Scholarship requests should be made to the WRJ Midwest District President and will be kept in the strictest of confidence. Women should request financial assistance from their own sisterhoods *before* asking WRJ Midwest District. In general, anyone asking for financial support should pay a portion of the expenses herself and should be reminded to keep her costs as low as possible.

The scholarships are primarily to help defray a percentage of the registration fee. (Requests for assistance with transportation will be covered on an individual basis.)

Scholarships are available only to women who are members of a sisterhood affiliated with WRJ and with WRJ Midwest District.

Guidelines for determining the size of the scholarship for specific WRJ and WRJ Midwest District programs are listed below. (It is recognized that individual situations may vary.)

- Kallah: Midwest District will pay 25% to 50% of the registration fee.
- Interim Board Meeting/Leadership Retreat: 25% to 50% of the registration fee.
- WRJ Midwest District Convention and WRJ Assembly: Up to 33% of the registration fee.
- WRJ Leadership Conference: Up to 33% of the registration fee.

Sisterhoods eligible to apply for a WRJ Grant Award for a WRJ assembly and/or for the WRJ Leadership Conference should be encouraged to submit an application for a grant. Financial support will NOT be offered to any sisterhood that was eligible to apply for a grant from WRJ but neglected to apply. If a sisterhood does receive a WRJ Grant Award, the district may still give additional financial assistance.