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Table chairs were appointed under the direction of Judy Clare. This worked well and the plan will be further refined for 2007.

Publicity arranged by Linda Suchocki was excellent. We were covered by all three network TV stations, and there were articles in *The Buffalo News* and local papers.

For the past few years we have collected and sorted books all during the year prior to the Book Sale. This process will continue. Several new storage depots are being looked at.

The Scholarship Book Sale is an example of the Buffalo Branch working together to achieve a lofty goal. The Chairs and the Committee wish to thank all who worked to make another successful Sale.

Judy Weidemann

Scholarship News!

The scholarship committee is pleased to announce that Kari Mergenhagen, Williamsville, is the first winner of the Olga Lindberg scholarship. She is a pharmacy student at the University of Buffalo with a concentration in hospital and long term care. Kari has overcome serious health challenges, where a strong spirit got her through. Through these experiences, infectious disease management became her passion.

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Each year the procedures of the Sale are refined. For the 52nd Book Sale under the capable leadership of Mary Kellner and Cathy Weiss, several new committees were formed. Gretchen Stringer and Judy Weidemann were Co-Chairs of the Volunteer Empowerment Committee. A special mailing was sent regarding the Book Sale and the Volunteer opportunities. Response was excellent and 130 members volunteered to sort books, work at the Sale, provide refreshments and contribute toward the expense of the tables. This number exceeded volunteer numbers in the past. This committee will continue to work on the 2007 Book Sale.

Table chairs were appointed under the direction of Judy Clare. This worked well and the plan will be further refined for 2007.

Publicity arranged by Linda Suchocki was excellent. We were covered by all three network TV stations, and there were articles in *The Buffalo News* and local papers.

For the past few years we have collected and sorted books all during the year prior to the Book Sale. This process will continue. Several new storage depots are being looked at.

The Scholarship Book Sale is an example of the Buffalo Branch working together to achieve a lofty goal. The Chairs and the Committee wish to thank all who worked to make another successful Sale.

Judy Weidemann

Scholarship News!

The scholarship committee is pleased to announce that Kari Mergenhagen, Williamsville, is the first winner of the Olga Lindberg scholarship. She is a pharmacy student at the University of Buffalo with a concentration in hospital and long term care. Kari has overcome serious health challenges, where a strong spirit got her through. Through these experiences, infectious disease management became her passion.

Kari was chosen out of field of 112 applications for the \$10,000 scholarship because her compassion for the elderly is extraordinary and she is an outstanding student, among other fine qualities. She will receive her award at the AAUW Annual Pot Luck Dinner on Sept 11th.

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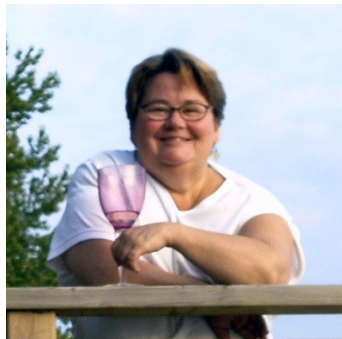
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