



'Donate Life' Poster Contest Announces 2007 Winners

The Finger Lakes Donor Recovery Network and the Rochester / Finger Lakes Eye & Tissue Bank announce the winners of the sixth annual "Donate Life" poster contest.

The grand-prize-winner is **Stephanie Miller, ninth grader, Our Lady of Mercy, Rochester...** Honorable mentions go to **Brandon Tung, sixth grade, Barker Road Middle School, Pittsford, NY;** **Erin Douthit, ninth grade, Our Lady of Mercy, Rochester, NY;** **Karina Lenartowicz, eleventh grade, Cicero-North Syracuse, Cicero, NY;** **Braeden Duncan, eighth grade, DeRuyter Central School, DeRuyter, NY.**

Entries are judged on educational impact and portrayal of the "Donate Life" message. The contest is meant to educate the public about organ and tissue donation through creativity and art; to educate young adults, their families and school staff about the importance of life-saving transplants; and to recognize students for their creative efforts.

The winning posters will be the basis for community education promotional items throughout the coming year. The grand prize artist can select either a \$500 cash prize or a \$1,000 savings bond and will receive printed poster copies of his/her submission. Each honorable mention artist selects either a \$50 cash prize or a \$100 savings bond, and will receive printed poster copies of his/her submission.

The Finger Lakes Donor Recovery Network covers 19 counties with a population of 2.4 million, and serves 44 hospitals in the Finger Lakes region, central and northern New York, including the University of Rochester Medical Center and SUNY Upstate Medical University transplant centers. It facilitates the donation of organs and tissue for transplantation, and offers bereavement support for families who have lost a loved one.

The Rochester / Finger Lakes Eye & Tissue Bank recovers and distributes eyes, musculoskeletal, skin and cardiovascular tissues for transplant, medical education and research. The agency serves Western, Finger Lakes, Central and Northern NY regions.

For more information about the contest, call the Finger Lakes Donor Recovery Network at 1-800-810-5494 or the Rochester / Finger Lakes Eye & Tissue Bank at 1-800-568-4321, or visit www.donorrecovery.org or www.rehpb.org

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