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## That Writing Contest Winners



Front row (left to right) Gregory Kiss, Paige Tierney, Alison Seeman, Mike Trenerry. Back row (left to right) Olivia Allen, Kari Van Grinsver, Daniel VanMavermaet, Emily Traff

Snigdha Roy, Madeline Allen, Kristin Walker & Aaron Walker are not pictured.

The winners of That Writing Contest were announced Sunday, October 15 at an awards ceremony held at the Rochester Public Library Auditorium.

And the winners are: Age 10 -12 Poetry, 1st place, Mike Trenerry - 2nd place, Alison Seeman; Short Story, 1st place, Paige Tierney - 2nd place, Gregory Kiss

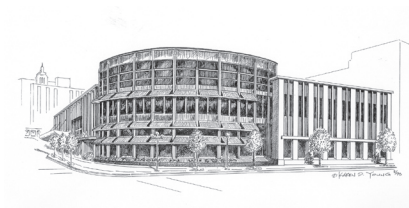
Age 13-15: Poetry, 1st place, Snigdha Roy - 2nd place, Olivia Allen; Short Story, 1st place, Kari Van Grinsver - 2nd place, Daniel VanMavermaet

Age 16-18: Poetry, 1st place, Aaron Walker - 2nd place, Emily Traff; Short Story, 1st place, Kristin Walker - 2nd place, Madeline Allen.

### Carrie Farrow accepts the MLA merit award on behalf of Mayo Clinic.



The Mayo Clinic received a certificate of merit award from the Minnesota Library Association (MLA). This award is given in recognition of exemplary service to libraries. The Mayo Clinic initiated the Library Foundation's Endowment Fund with a gift of \$250,000 and a \$50,000/year matching grant for five consecutive years.



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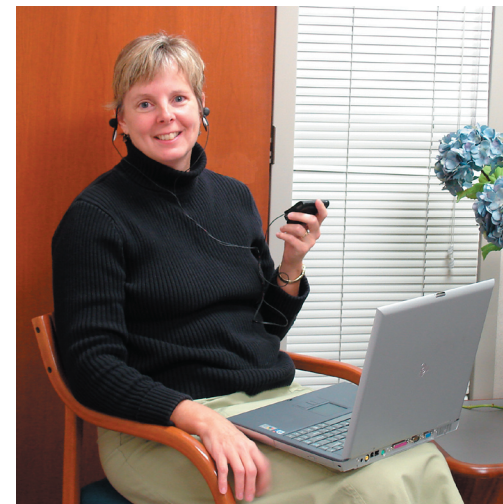
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### Libraries Change Lives

#### Audiobooks and Downloadable eMedia



**Kathy Olson**

Kathy Olson lives in Lakeville, MN and frequently commutes to Rochester for work. "I love listening to audiobooks. They really make the commute enjoyable, and audiobooks give me the opportunity to listen to non-fiction." Kathy loves non-fiction books; however, she finds it difficult to read them during her normal reading time, which is just before bedtime. Kathy laughed "They put me to sleep!"

Recently, Kathy started using the eMedia collection, which includes downloadable audiobooks, film, ebooks and music. Kathy appreciates the convenience of the downloadable audiobooks. In the comfort of her own home, she can browse the collection online and then she can even check out the items to her home computer and download them to a Windows compatible MP3 player or burn them to discs. The downloadable audiobook collection has really changed Kathy's life. "Now I can actually stay awake for non-fiction books, and I listen to them all the time not only during my commute, but also while I am walking, doing yard work, and cleaning the house. I feel like I'm accomplishing two goals at once, and they actually make me look forward to doing chores."

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### Louise Moe enrolled as Paul Harris Fellow



At the October 12th Rotary Club of Rochester meeting, Louise Moe was honored with an enrollment as a Paul Harris Fellow. Judith and Bill Taylor donated money to Rotary to bestow this honor on Louise. Paul Harris was the founder of Rotary and the fellowships are presented to people who contribute to the community and live lives of "service above self." Judith spoke very highly of Louise and called her "a quiet heroine who has spent years building up a superb reference collection for the community and personally presenting excellent service and leading those who work under her to provide the same level of service."

This was a special honor for Louise not only because of the unexpected (and well deserved) accolade, but also because Louise's father was a Rotarian and also a Paul Harris Fellow.

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