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## **Miller Place Resident and Georgetown University Student Wins Hospital Association Scholarship**

*Visionary College Grad Places Emphasis on Bioethics/Health Care Administration*

(Hauppauge, NY June 25, 2008) .....Georgetown University student and Miller Place, New York resident Kelly Heuer was selected as the 2008 Anne Marie Brown Memorial Scholarship recipient. The Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council and its Communications Committee bestow the award annually. Heuer is a master's/PhD candidate at Georgetown University in Washington DC studying health care administration with a concentration in bioethics. The \$2,000 award was presented at the June meeting of the Hospital Council's Communications Committee held on June 6, 2008 at the Hamlet Wind Watch Golf and Country Club in Hauppauge.

Heuer was chosen for the award based on her outstanding academic achievement (she holds a 3.9 GPA) and for her community service and extracurricular activities that have always been health care related. These include volunteer positions with the Harvard Community Health Initiative, and subsequently its advocacy chair, Friends of the Red Cross, UNICEF, and Georgetown University Hospital. While a high school student on Long Island, she served as a "candy stripper" for St. Charles Hospital in Port Jefferson.

The Anne Marie Brown Memorial Scholarship has been awarded each year since 1994 and commemorates the memory of the late vice president for government and public affairs at the Hospital Council. Brown served in this role from 1983 – 1993. The \$2,000 award and optional internship is offered to college junior, seniors, or post-graduate students who are residents of Long Island and are studying Communication Arts, Journalism, or Health Care Administration. For more specific information go to [www.nshc.org](http://www.nshc.org).

The Hospital Council's Communications Committee is comprised of the public relations directors from Long Island's 24 not-for-profit and public hospitals. In addition to administering this yearly scholarship, this committee oversees the Council's communication initiatives. It works collaboratively with the Council and fellow member hospitals to affect rational health policy and legislation, promote the programs and services offered by hospitals, and advocate for the health needs of all Long Islanders.

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From left; Marilyn Fabbicante, Chair of the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council's Communications Committee and Director of Public and External Affairs at St. Charles Hospital, with the 2008 Anne Marie Brown Memorial Scholarship Winner Kelly Heuer.