## Syed Maghrabi Scholarship Committee Report June 28, 2018 Submitted by Miranda Shake

The 2017 conference silent auction brought us \$691 in funds to help pay for the scholarships. As always the silent auction was deemed a huge success. A big thanks goes out to Fran Kovach and Ramune Kubilius for their hard work on obtaining donations and setting up the auction. Fran and Ramune are yet again on the committee for 2018.

I would also like to thank last year's publicity committee (Emily Johnson, Eric Edwards and Ramune Kubilius) for their work in publicizing the auction and scholarship. Eric posted the required reports in the newsletter this spring.

Next week we plan to send emails to the membership seeking applicants for the 2018 Syed Maghrabi Scholarship. The deadline for submissions is August 3<sup>rd</sup> with winners being notified on or by August 17<sup>th</sup>.

The scholarship committee consists of myself, Stacey Knight-Davis and Jerry DeWitt.

There is no board action at this time.

Dear Miranda:

I just received the email from GMRLIST regarding the HSLI scholarship award you created in the name of Syed. I came to Chicago in 1997 to take the position he left at Jackson Park Hospital. Syed very graciously spent time helping me, a new young librarian, get started. Although many years have passed I still remember his warmth and generosity, and willingness to lend a hand to help me in my first full-time professional position. Seeing his name again brought all that back.

I left Chicago after two years and was not aware of the scholarship. What a fitting tribute to a fine man. I am delighted that it has apparently been going strong since 2001. May it continue for many more years.

Thank you for an unexpected trip down memory lane!

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