The Sixth Annual AUTHORS IN KIND
Literary Luncheon

H earts do the (4) Once again this year’s legal expert, touring author, and best-selling author Linda Fairstein hosted the Authors In Kind Literary Luncheon with an amazing line-up of authors. Linda was joined by the incomparable Wally Lamb, author of The I Loved, I Lost, I Made I/Monsters, and the other authors also spoke and made wonderful remarks – humorous, insightful and serious. The authors signed copies of their most recent work during the luncheon. Linda and the other authors also spoke and made wonderful remarks – humorous, insightful and serious.

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Joan Rivers Wins “Celebrity Apprentice”
“God’s Love We Deliver Benefits

You’re hired!” With these two incredible words from Donald Trump, the audience gave a standing ovation for the finale of “The Celebrity Apprentice,” built into a gala and (some tears) for Joan Rivers, the star of “Celebrity Apprentice.” None could be happier for Joan than all of us here at God’s Love. We were elated to present her with a tremendous boost of good fortune and recognition. We are grateful for Joan’s incomparable energy and compassion, which have guided our agency’s growth and expansion of our mission. She is an incredible friend to us and especially to our client families, thank you.

Linda Fairstein, William D. Cohan, Giulia Melucci, Wally Lamb, Linda Fairstein and Karen Pearl

A “GREAT” WAY TO WIN

In recognition of their efforts, God’s Love’s celebrated National Volunteer Week from April 19th through 25th with a variety of events. On April 20th, a kick-off appreciation event, New York City Council Speaker Christine Quinn, author and God’s Love volunteer Matthew Medina, Director of the Polo Ralph Lauren Foundation, Oscar Cohen, and President & CEO of God’s Love Karen Pearl all made warm remarks outlining the critical role of all our volunteer play and participate in our operations.

To recognize their dedication, we named over 80,000 hours of volunteerism from the entire God’s Love community, receiving over $1 million – truly remarkable.

Thank you again to all of our volunteers, who brought the heart, friendship, and caring. You are the backbone of this organization and we can never thank you enough.!
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**VOLUNTEER PROFILE**

**Christina Grattan**

**Bonnie Fisher**

Three years ago, Christian Grattan was looking to make a difference. Christian had been working in the social service sector for some time, and she was happy yet felt something was missing. She had a passion for helping others, and she wanted to be more involved in making a difference in the lives of people. Christian decided to become a volunteer with God's Love We Deliver, and she has been making a difference ever since.

Christian volunteers as a kitchen staff member, and she enjoys her work. She has been volunteering for three years, and she says that being a volunteer has been one of the most rewarding experiences of her life. She enjoys connecting with the clients and helping them receive the meals they need. Christian says that being a volunteer has given her a sense of purpose, and she feels that she is making a difference in the lives of those she serves.