

Karen completed a BS/MS four-year program at Yale University graduating Magna Cum Laude majoring in Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology.

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Oxford University matched Rotary's scholarship which generated total funding of \$62,000. At Oxford Karen completed a Master of Science in Global Health Science and

Epidemiology and her sponsoring clubs were Lake Houston Area in Houston and Newbury in Oxford.

Karen is now in her second year at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in Baltimore. Karen's home is here, in Houston.

Happy New Year!

I spent my Christmas with my partner's family in the Netherlands where it was quite gloomy and cold but the company was great. I'm now back in Baltimore, preparing for the end of my book studies and the beginning of our clinical training. We'll be starting that in March where we'll be assigned to work in different hospital departments from internal medicine to surgery. It is about to become a very intense year.

(you might not hear from me) where I know at some point I'll be working 28 hour shifts. I'm not sure when I'll be back in Houston but when I am I will let you know.

Please send me an email or text if you are in Baltimore again. I'd love to meet.

Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy and wonderful 2024,

My best wishes, Karen Tai.