

A complete listing of  
Scholarship recipients follows

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## ***42 High School Seniors Receive College Scholarships and Named 2004 Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholars***

May 27, 2004 / Washington, D.C. - **Forty-two high school seniors from the Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan area have been named as Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholars and will each receive a \$2,500 college scholarship.** These students provide an inspiring example of Minnesota's youth, having already demonstrated a drive to accomplish their goals, even in the face of adversity. The Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholars program is proud to recognize the hard work of these outstanding young people.

The 2004 Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholars have utilized initiative, perseverance and hard work to overcome the adversity they have faced in their lives. This accomplished group of young people has demonstrated success in academics, co-curricular activities and community service while taking on some of life's most difficult challenges. Each of these young people possess the aspirations and potential to make important contributions in Minnesota and around the world. The scholarship may be used to pursue a bachelor's degree at any accredited college or university within the United States.

The Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholars Program is funded through the generosity of the Carl and Eloise Pohlada Family Foundation. Mr. Pohlada is President of Marquette Financial Companies, based in Minneapolis, MN. In 1989 Mr. Pohlada was inducted into the Horatio Alger Association, an organization comprised of Americans who have overcome adversity and humble beginnings to achieve success. Carl Pohlada currently serves on the Horatio Alger Association's Board of Directors.

"All of these young people have shown their abilities to succeed in spite of adversities. Eloise and I want them to have the opportunity to continue to excel and meet their educational goals. We are pleased to honor their accomplishments and help to make a college education more accessible and affordable," states Carl Pohlada. Since 1984, the Horatio Alger Association's need based scholarship programs have helped hundreds of deserving students across the nation pursue their dreams of a post secondary education through the scholarships that recognize the circumstances and hardships of students as well as their achievements. Mr. Pohlada continues, "The experience of the Horatio Alger Association is unparalleled in working with students of limited financial means who want to obtain a college education."

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans is a nonprofit educational association. Through the generosity of its members, more than \$5 million in need-based college scholarships are awarded annually to young people nationwide. For more information about the Association's scholarships and programs please visit [www.horatioalger.org](http://www.horatioalger.org).

Applications for consideration as a 2005 Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholar are available June 1 through October 15, 2004 at [www.horatioalger.org/scholarships](http://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships).

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## 2004 Horatio Alger Minnesota Scholars

Ms. Kabiru A. Alowonle  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Mr. Thomas J. Barott  
Scandia, Minnesota  
Forest Lake Senior High School

Ms. Amanda R. Barrett  
Circle Pines, Minnesota  
Centennial High School

Ms. Breena E. Bieber  
Prior Lake, Minnesota  
Shakopee Senior High School

Ms. Nicole F. Bohr  
Lexington, Minnesota  
Centennial High School

Ms. Rebekah A. Cramer  
Brooklyn Center, Minnesota  
Minnesota Center For Arts Educ

Ms. Bethel Deresu  
Brooklyn Center, Minnesota  
Maranatha Christian Academy

Mr. Thai Thanh Doan  
Coon Rapids, Minnesota  
Coon Rapids High School

Ms. Melody B. Ellis  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
North High School

Ms. Nicole M. Erickson  
Eden Prairie, Minnesota  
Eden Prairie High School

Ms. Cassie M. Fisher  
St. Paul, Minnesota  
Harding High School

Ms. Charie L. Gill  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
North High School

Ms. Ashley M. Heutmaker  
Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota  
Simley Senior High School

Ms. Amber Katharine Horton  
Circle Pines, Minnesota  
Centennial High School

Ms. Sheng Khang  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
North High School

Ms. Leanne J. Kluk  
Hugo, Minnesota  
Forest Lake Senior High School

Ms. Sondrinia E. Knox  
Lakeville, Minnesota  
Lakeville Senior High School

Ms. Breanne G. Kwatera  
Roseville, Minnesota  
Fridley Senior High School

Ms. Pang N. Lee  
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. Jinamao Lee  
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. Blia Lee  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. May Kong C. LeePalao  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
Como Park Senior High School

Ms. Lena M. Leishman  
Maple Grove, Minnesota  
Maple Grove Senior High School

Ms. Christine W. Liu  
Little Canada, Minnesota  
Roseville Area High School

Mr. Michael D. Marcotte  
Circle Pines, Minnesota  
Centennial High School

Ms. Dorothy J. Martineau  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
North High School

Mr. Victor A. Martinez  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. Aiesha N. McCalister  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
John Johnson High School

Ms. Erin L. McKeignan  
Lakeville, Minnesota  
Lakeville Senior High School

Mr. Sean K. Olson  
Apple Valley, Minnesota  
Eastview High School

Ms. Stephanie M. Richards  
Richfield, Minnesota  
Richfield Senior High School

Mr. David R. Rollen  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. Oluyemisi O. Soyomokun  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Breck School

Ms. Janette C. Spann  
Coon Rapids, Minnesota  
Coon Rapids High School

Ms. Karen O. Suen  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. Charlene C. Thomas  
St. Paul, Minnesota  
Central High School

Ms. Maly V. Tossey  
St. Paul, Minnesota  
Harding High School

Ms. Amy L. Wilson  
Maple Grove, Minnesota  
Maple Grove Senior High School

Ms. Mee Xiong  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
Saint Paul Open School

Ms. Mary Xiong  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Patrick Henry High School

Ms. Maria Yang  
Apple Valley, Minnesota  
Eastview High School

Mr. Sluwar Zelee  
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota  
Fridley Senior High School