

***Life's Hardships Yield Special Scholarships  
For 16 Indiana High School Seniors***

May 25, 2006/Washington, D.C. – **Poverty, disability, foster care, parental substance abuse, and physical abuse are among the adversities that could not prevent sixteen outstanding high school seniors from throughout Indiana from wanting to live out their American dream and have more for themselves. Each is now the recipient of a 2006 Horatio Alger Indiana Scholarship of two thousand five hundred dollars for their college education.** (A complete list of the 2006 Horatio Alger Indiana Scholars immediately follows this release).

All of the 2006 Horatio Alger Indiana Scholars have 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 Indiana and throughout the world. The scholarship may be used to attend any college or university within the United States.

The Horatio Alger Indiana Scholars Program is funded through the generosity of Jack and Linda Gill. Mr. Gill is a Member of the Horatio Alger Association, an organization comprised of Americans who have overcome adversity to achieve success. Mr. Gill is currently on the Association's Board of Directors.

"No child should be denied access to a higher education because of financial need. This program will provide the outstanding young people Indiana with the opportunity to achieve their goals by making a college education attainable for them," states Jack Gill. 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 their unique scholarships that recognize the circumstances and hardships of students as well as their achievements. Mr. Gill continues, "The Horatio Alger Association's experience working with students of limited financial means who want to obtain a college education is unmatched."

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans is a nonprofit educational association. Through the generosity of its members, more than \$8.5 million in need-based college scholarships will be awarded this year 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 2007 Horatio Alger Indiana Scholar are available June 1 through October 15, 2006 at [www.horatioalger.org/scholarships](http://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships).

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## 2006 Horatio Alger Indiana Scholars

*Daniel Ashmore*  
Lawrence Central HS  
Indianapolis, Indiana

*Erica Berning*  
Castle HS  
Evansville, Indiana

*Lillie Brown*  
Shenandoah HS  
Middletown, Indiana

*Dana Casbon*  
Boone Grove HS  
Valparaiso, Indiana

*Alexandra Chtchedrina*  
North Central HS  
Indianapolis, Indiana

*Han Cun*  
William Henry Harrison HS  
Evansville, Indiana

*Carolyn Cunningham*  
Columbus North HS  
Columbus, Indiana

*Sajeena Horvath*  
Plymouth HS  
Plymouth, Indiana

*Matthew Jacobson*  
Columbus North HS  
Columbus, Indiana

*Tiffany Joslin*  
Brown County HS  
Nashville, Indiana

*Gabrielle Leyba*  
Penn HS  
Granger, Indiana

*Cleyana Mayweather*  
Emerson School of  
Visual/prfmg Arts  
Gary, Indiana

*Sara Musselman*  
Greenwood Community HS  
Greenwood, Indiana

*Erica Scudder*  
Delta HS  
Muncie, Indiana

*Patricia Shreves*  
Washington HS  
Washington, Indiana

*Kristen Stout*  
South Decatur HS  
Westport, Indiana

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