The Horatio Alger Association, founded in 1947, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to honor the achievements of outstanding individuals who have succeeded in spite of adversity and to encourage young people to pursue their dreams through higher education. Each year, the Association selects new Lifetime Members through the presentation of the Horatio Alger Award. In April, the Association looks forward to honoring and inducting the 2019 class of new Members: David P. Abney, James W. Ayers, Van Cleef L. Cryer, Amy D. Dickinson, John J. Haley, Jay S. Hennick, K. Michael Ingram, Amy D. Dickinson, John J. Haley, and John C. Maxwell.

Horatio Alger Members serve as role models and fund undergraduate and graduate need-based scholarships and services for young people across the United States and Canada. By its 75th anniversary in 2022, the Association will have awarded $225 million in scholarships to more than 30,000 students. 2019 Dennis R. Washington Leadership Scholars: Hans Christensen, Chance Craig, Victoria Hernandez, Damon White Morgan, Steven Peralta, Allison Talker, and Dustin Vesey.

The Horatio Alger Association is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2019 Dennis R. Washington Leadership Scholarships. Funded by the Phyllis and Dennis R. Washington Foundation, the Dennis R. Washington Leadership Scholarship Program has awarded more than $5 million since 2008. Scholarships are awarded to Horatio Alger Alumni Scholars pursuing master’s or doctoral degrees in the fields of business, education, engineering, law, medicine, and applied sciences. Recipients have demonstrated academic excellence, leadership abilities, and strength of character in the face of adversity. With the benefits afforded through advanced degree studies, they are poised to become leaders in their respective fields and change agents in our society.