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Ruth Ham: Doiron selected as Horatio Alger Scholar

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Shapleigh resident Lance Doiron, a senior at Massabesic High School, has been selected as one of 104 students in the United States to be added to the list of Horatio Alger Scholars.

Along with that designation, Doiron, will receive a \$20,000 scholarship to help his college education and an all-expenses-paid trip to participate in the National Scholars Conference in Washington D.C. this spring.

To be eligible for a Horatio Alger Scholarship, you must show a strong commitment to pursuing a bachelor's degree at an accredited college in this country; have a family adjusted income under \$50,000; be involved in cocurricular and community activities; demonstrate integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity; and be a United States citizen.

In addition to recognizing leadership potential and academic achievement, the Horatio Alger program also rewards students who have made a commitment to use their college degrees in service to others.

Doiron is the son of Shawn Doiron and Anne-marie Doiron, of Granny Kent Pond. Doiron credits his parents for instilling in him determination and drive.

Currently, in addition to attending classes at Massabesic High, Doiron is taking college courses at University of Southern Maine and York County Community College. Electromagnetism, physics, linear logic and digital logic, ethics and environmental science are the areas of advanced learning in which Doiron is currently involved. In the fall, Doiron will be going to the University of Maine at Orono to study electrical and computer engineering.