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Simonsen awarded scholarship

Autumn Simonsen, 18, daughter of David and Maggie Simonsen of Wayne, a senior at Wayne High School has been named a 2007 Horatio Alger Association Ak-Sar-Ben Scholar.

The award comes with a \$2500 cash award. She was one of only 100 students awarded in all of Nebraska and portions of Iowa.

The award is based on "student's integrity, self-reliance, determination, and perseverance in overcoming adversity." Other factors include "personal potential, academic achievement, and promise of future contribution to society." Award winners must uphold high standards of academic and personal excellence. The Horatio Alger Association cultivates an on-going, life-long relationship with its scholars.

Autumn has been involved in Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band I, Marching Band, Concert Band, and State Band Competition. She has played alto saxophone since fifth grade. She is involved in FBLA, and works part-time in the office at Exhaust Pros. She will start Wayne State College in the fall of 2007 with 15 hours of college credit already achieved from dual credit coursework completed in high school.



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