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Ak-Sar-Ben scholarship recipients honored at governor's residence

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Courtesy Photo York resident Rebekah Miller is a recipient of the Ak-Sar-Ben Horatio Alger Scholarship and received a special recognition dinner at the Governor's Residence. Pictured with Rebekah are First Lady Sally Ganem, Gov. Dave Heineman and General Kevin Chilton

60 Ak-Sar-Ben Scholarship recipients were treated to a special reception at the Governor's Residence in Lincoln on Thursday, Aug. 5, 2010. Governor Dave Heineman and First Lady Sally Ganem welcomed scholars and guests to a tour of the residence and an outdoor barbeque reception. Additional hosts from the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation were Susan and Bill Cutler, Dr. Amy Haddad and Steve Martin, Mimi Gleason, Shelley Homa, Stephanie Horeis, Mary Johnson, Lori Pirnie and Louri Sullivan.

Among those honored were 50 Ak-Sar-Ben Horatio Alger scholarship recipients from Nebraska and Southwest Iowa. The \$5,000 Ak-Sar-Ben scholarships are made possible by the Knight of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation and proceeds from the Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation and Scholarship Ball.

An additional 10 scholars were awarded \$1,000 Community College scholarships through Ak-Sar-Ben Friends, a membership arm of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation.

Governor Heineman said, "These scholarships provide an opportunity for high school seniors to pursue higher education and I want to encourage them to continue their education at Nebraska

colleges and universities. We need more of our young people to go on to college and Sally and I applaud the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation and Horatio Alger Association for their support of these outstanding students.”

Bill Cutler, Chairman of the Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation and Scholarship Ball Committee said, “The students selected as Ak-Sar-Ben scholars have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, while overcoming challenges outside the classroom. We are proud to recognize each student and we thank the Governor and First Lady for hosting a special evening with the students and their families at the Governor's Residence in Lincoln.”

Students honored from the York area included: 2010 Ak-Sar-Ben/Horatio Alger Scholarship Recipients — Rebekah E. Miller, York High School, York and Kelcie G. Schaubroeck, Centennial High School, Utica. 2010 Ak-Sar-Ben Friends Scholars — Whitney Brooke, Central Community College-Nebraska, Benedict.