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**The Holmes Student Center at Northern Illinois University.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf

## President's column

Dear Partic'lar Friends,

The convention is over and what a great time was had by everyone!! We would like to take this time to thank Art Young and his staff at Northern Illinois University for their efforts in hosting a great convention.

Hopefully, everyone who attended this convention had the opportunity to view **ALL** of the wonderful items in the Horatio Alger collection at the NIU Libraries' official Alger Repository. The Friedland first-edition collection, the large collection of "Golden Days," all of the Brad Chase collection, and of course the J. Watson Davis-A.L. Burt original drawings, just to mention some of the terrific items on display at the repository. Remember that the repository is **always** looking for donations, both cash and books, so please assist the Society and the repository, by sending in a little something each year!!

As you know, there was an election of officers and directors at this convention and we would like to welcome our new vice president, Mike Morley, and the three new directors: Bob Sipes, Ken Broadie and, for another term, Larry Rice. Thanks to our three outgoing directors for their efforts over the past three years: Lee Allen, Jeanette Routhier and Ed Mattson.

A vote was taken for the location of next year's convention and the Society will be having its convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, hosted by Dave Yarrington, Chris DeHaan, Milt Elhert and Art Smitter, from May 12-15, 2005. Please mark your calendars, as we will be looking forward to seeing you there.

We are facing a major challenge in determining what is the best way for making more people aware of the Horatio Alger Society, and if anyone has any ideas, please send them to myself or any other officer or director. Any ideas will be thoroughly reviewed, and ideas that just might **not** seem good at first glance, just might be what we need to stimulate the growth of our membership.

Bill Gowen, our **Newsboy** editor, is asking anyone who has an article of interest — or just something to say by means of a Letter to the Editor, please forward them to him for publication. Bill's regular address and e-mail address are listed elsewhere on this page.

Also, if you have books to sell or if you are looking for that specific Alger book(s), please send in a little note with a list of books wanted or for sale for publication in the newsletter. The guidelines are listed to the right.

Many of our Society members would like to commu-

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## HORATIO ALGER SOCIETY

*To further the philosophy of Horatio Alger, Jr. and to encourage the spirit of Strive and Succeed that for half a century guided Alger's undaunted heroes — youngsters whose struggles epitomized the Great American Dream and inspired hero ideals in countless millions of young Americans for generations to come.*

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**2004 convention report****'Dash to DeKalb II'**

By William R. Gowen (PF-706)

This year marked a return to familiar territory for the Horatio Alger Society, when Northern Illinois University played host to "Dash to DeKalb II." As the location of the Horatio Alger repository at Founders Memorial Library, NIU welcomed H.A.S. members back after a five-year absence. It was in 1999 that Northern Illinois hosted its first convention on the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Alger's death.

This year marked another anniversary: it was the 40<sup>th</sup> annual convention, a tradition begun back in 1965 when H.A.S. co-founder Kenneth Butler hosted "The Mendota Affair," also in Illinois.

Although formally scheduled to begin May 13, several Partic'lar Friends, along with family members and guests, began arriving in DeKalb earlier in the week in order to visit Chicago and other places of interest, including bookstores, in the area. The N.I.U. Guest Rooms Hotel, located in the Holmes Student Center (just across the street from the library, was the site for most of the scheduled activities during the weekend.

The H.A.S. hospitality room was buzzing with activity Thursday afternoon as members arrived to pick up their registration packets and convention souvenirs, the latter including a beautiful 2005 calendar containing, for each month, a full-size illustration of Alger book covers or other appropriate Alger illustration.

The only officially scheduled event for Thursday afternoon was the annual Board of Directors meeting, which H.A.S. President Bob Huber (PF-841) called to order at 4:31 p.m. in the Heritage Room of the Holmes Student Center. A complete report of the meeting can be found on Pages 6-7.

Thursday afternoon and evening also provided enough free time for Partic'lar Friends to visit the H.A.S. Repository (located in the rare books and special collections department, Founders Memorial Library Room 403), open between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. There was also plenty of time for a reunion between old friends (and a welcome to new members), which included dinner on their own at area restaurants.

There was also work late into the evening, as the large number of items to be auctioned on Friday and Saturday had to be inventoried and sorted, with lot numbers assigned. A large room adjacent to the hospitality room had been set aside by convention host Art Young and his staff just for this important activity by the 2004 auction committee. The sorting and arrangement of auction materials lasted until past midnight.



**Sharon Carr of Sycamore, Illinois, holds her certificate for the 2004 *Strive and Succeed* Award, presented at the annual Horatio Alger Society banquet at Northern Illinois University.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf

**Friday, May 14**

The traditional Directors' Breakfast was held in the Blackhawk Cafeteria. This normally informal event this year included the conclusion of official business from the Directors' meeting, which had been recessed the previous afternoon. Other members, families and guests had breakfast on their own, either in the Blackhawk Cafeteria or at nearby off-campus restaurants. Meanwhile, the hospitality room remained open all day for socializing, as well as to accommodate late-arriving members and guests.

At 9 a.m., the convention's formal program got under way in the Holmes Student Center's Regency Room, with President Bob Huber making his welcoming remarks to the more than 50 in attendance. Convention host and NIU Dean of Libraries Arthur Young (PF-941) then gave Northern Illinois University's official welcome to "Dash to DeKalb II." He invited everyone to visit the repository's holdings of more than 4,000 Alger books, including the Jerry Friedland first-edition collection (which he called the most-comprehensive first-edition collection to be found in any institution); along with the several

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## Editor's notebook

With the 2004 convention just a recent memory, planning is already underway for 2005.

As noted elsewhere in this issue, we will be returning to Grand Rapids, Mich., site of "In Search of Treasure" in 1994. The 2005 convention hosts are Dave and Maybelle Yarrington, in collaboration with Art and Linda Smitter, Milt and Carol Ehlert, and Chris and Doug DeHaan. Using the title "Gathering in Grand Rapids," the 41<sup>st</sup> annual H.A.S. convention will be held May 12-15, 2005.

The first organizational meeting was held in Grand Rapids on June 8, with the planning committee consisting of Dave Yarrington, Milt Ehlert, Art Smitter and Chris DeHaan. Several things have already been determined, including the hotel: the Holiday Inn Select, located at 29<sup>th</sup> Street and Eastbrook Blvd., Grand Rapids, MI 49512.

According to Yarrington, this hotel has all the amenities, including 148 newly remodeled rooms, indoor pool, whirlpool, fitness center, complete restaurant and lounge, and meeting rooms for all our activities. The hotel also provides free shuttle service to and from Grand Rapids Airport.

Additional details, including room rates and the convention registration fee, will be detailed in an upcoming issue of **Newsboy**. However, be assured that these costs will be right in line with those for recent conventions.

Also, it was mentioned at this year's convention that one of the major highlights of "In Search of Treasure" in 1994 was the pig roast hosted by Chris and Doug DeHaan at their dairy farm in Wayland, Mich., about 20 miles south of Grand Rapids. We have good news: they've agreed to do it again for our Friday night dinner. Hopefully, this time the weather will cooperate better than '94, when rain forced us to enjoy this wonderful meal indoors. Incidentally, individual events throughout the convention will carry appropriate Alger titles. For the DeHaans' pig roast, it is "From Farm to Fortune."

Planning is also underway for our Friday morning presentations, including one on organizing your collection and another on book restoration. Following the second planning committee meeting scheduled for November, Dave Yarrington will provide full details for the November-December and January-February issues of **Newsboy**.

On another topic, you will obviously notice the lateness of this issue. Traditionally, the post-convention issue is the most labor-intensive of the year, and this year was no exception. This was complicated by a changeover to

## President's column

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nicate with other members, and **Newsboy** is the ideal place to do so. However, they are often afraid to put their thoughts into words. Just jot them down, and we will edit what you are trying to say before it appears in **Newsboy**. I am sure that many of our members have some great ideas and have found that special Alger book, so please share this with the Society, as we would like to know about some of your fondest collecting experiences!

Once again, it was really nice seeing all of our Society members at DeKalb. I hope you have been enjoying a great summer!!

Your Partic'lar Friend,

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new software for the processing of photographs, which we hope will improve the quality of the images in **Newsboy**. I'm certain there will be some growing pains along the way as we continually work hand-in-hand with our commercial printer with the aim of producing the best-looking product possible. We have switched to a new digital printing process instead of ink-on-paper, which I will discuss in detail in a future issue.

In a related matter, you will also notice that this issue is listed as "March-June 2004." The H.A.S. Board of Directors, in its meeting on May 13, 2004, voted to make this a combined double issue, with regular bi-monthly publication resuming with the July-August issue (the preparation of which is about halfway complete). The September-October and November-December issues will hopefully return to their normal schedule.

One of the critical factors in producing on-time issues of **Newsboy** is the submission of a sufficient number of articles (particularly with an Alger theme) that will be of interest to our readers. We are always open to ideas, and you can contact me at the address at the bottom of the right-hand column on Page 2.

We have added my e-mail address for your convenience, or you can use the regular mail. All story ideas will be reviewed carefully to determine whether or not they are appropriate. Subject matter, factual accuracy and the quality of writing are important factors.



## 'Dash to DeKalb II'

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Brad Chase reprint collections, as well as the recently acquired original J. Watson Davis illustrations for many of publisher A.L. Burt's Alger books.

Vice President Bob Routhier (PF-889) presented the guidelines to be followed for that day's auction of the Angelo Sylvester special consignment, along with the annual individual consignment and donation auctions. He noted that the large number of items to be auctioned would likely necessitate the completion the auctions on Saturday, immediately following the annual H.A.S. book sale.

The educational lecture-discussion session, which began at around 9:30 a.m., was one of the finest and most comprehensive in years, with Bob Huber beginning the session with a Power Point-illustrated talk titled "Radio Series Books and the Development of Radio." This fascinating presentation included a display of working vintage radios from Bob's collection (which he demonstrated by playing old-time radio programs).

The talk included a time-line relationship between the early days of wireless communication (both government and commercial) and how this technology was worked into the plots of early series books, including the Stratemeyer Syndicate's **Radio Boys Series**, written under the house name "Allen Chapman" for Grosset & Dunlap; the Gerald Breckenridge-authored **Radio Boys Series**, published by A.L. Burt; the **Ocean Wireless Boys Series**, published by Hurst; and the **Wireless Patrol Series** by Lewis E. Theiss (published by W.A. Wilde), which brought together radio technology and the Boy Scouts (which he colloquially referred to as "The Brady Bunch," from their fictional locale in Camp Brady).

The second presentation, introduced by convention host Art Young, was titled "The Downies and Alger: A Special Relationship," and was presented by Linda (Downie) Sohl and Bill Sohl of Budd Lake, N.J., and Nancy and Stephen Downie of Central Islip, N.Y., Linda and Stephen are descendants of John M. Downie, who died in 1945 at age 78. As a boy, John Downie was a ward of Horatio Alger Jr. in New York. More than coincidentally, Alger included the fictional characters "John Downie" and "Edward Downie" in several of his books in the mid-1890s, including *Mark Manning's Mission*, *Chester Rand* and *The Odds Against Him*.

Displayed as part of the Downies' presentation were vintage photos, along with a small safe presented by Alger to John Downie as a gift. The safe, approximately five inches square, actually survived a major fire many decades ago.

The annual buffet-style business luncheon followed



**Bob Huber demonstrates his vintage radios to Mary Ann Nyberg following his talk, "Radio Series Books and the Development of Radio."** Photo by Bernie Biberdorf

immediately in the Regency Room. At 11:45 a.m., President Huber called the annual business meeting to order, reading the summary of the financial report and Executive Director's report, accepted the previous day by the Board of Directors (for additional details, refer to the Board of Directors meeting report on Pages 6-7).

The next order of business was the election of officers and directors. Huber reported the slate assembled by the nominating committee, and ratified by the directors for a vote before the membership in attendance, as follows:

For President, the nominee was Bob Routhier (PF-889); for Vice President, Michael Morley (PF-934); for Secretary/Treasurer, Christine DeHaan (PF-773); and for Directors, Larry Rice (PF-757), Bob Sipes (PF-1067) and Ken Broadie (PF-1053).

The floor was opened for additional nominees, and Bernie Biberdorf nominated Milt Ehlert (PF-702) for a director's position, which was seconded. The chair ruled that the unopposed slate of officers was to be elected by a hand vote, while the vote for directors would be submitted for a vote via paper ballot. At this point, Ehlert respectfully asked that he be removed from consideration, in part because of his planned involvement with next year's convention. As a result, the full slate of officers, along with director nominees Rice, Sipes and Broadie, were elected by hand vote.

The site of the 2005 convention was the next order of business, and Huber announced that David Yarrington had submitted to the board of directors a proposal that he host the convention in Grand Rapids, Mich., in col-

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# Annual H.A.S. Board of Directors meeting

Horatio Alger Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
DeKalb, Illinois  
May 13, 2004

## In Attendance:

Robert G. Huber, President  
Robert R. Routhier, Vice President  
William R. Gowen, Editor  
Jeanette Routhier, Director  
Bernard A. Biberdorf, Director  
Bart J. Nyberg, Director  
David J. Yarrington, Director  
Arthur W. Smitter, Director  
Carol Nackenoff, Past President

## Absent:

Robert E. Kasper, Executive Director  
Chris DeHaan, Treasurer  
Lee Allen, Director  
Ed Mattson, Director  
Jim Thorp, Director  
Steven Sutton, Director

Robert G. Huber, President, called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. in the Heritage Room of the Holmes Student Center, Northern Illinois University.

President Huber presented the annual financial report, prepared by Treasurer Chris DeHaan (see Page 18 for complete financial report). Huber noted that expenses exceeded income for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2004, primarily as the result of lower-than-usual 2003 auction proceeds and a decrease in dues income, the latter reflecting the Society's declining membership.

For the fiscal year ending April 30, 2004, total income was \$5,202.96 and total expenses \$5,944.21.

Total cash on hand included \$1,595.04 in checking deposits and \$7,552.20 in money market funds.

A general discussion of the **Strive and Succeed Award** followed, Huber noting that donations received during the fiscal year, \$410, covered slightly more than half the amount of last year's award of \$750.

President Huber then presented the **Executive Director's Report**, prepared by Executive Director Robert E. Kasper:

During the previous 12 months, the Horatio Alger Society gained six new members and lost 16, for a net loss of 10 members. In comparison, during the previous

fiscal year, the Society gained eight members and lost 19 members. As of May 13, 2004, H.A.S. membership stood at 178, broken down as follows:

	May 2004	May 2003	May 2002
Regular	141	150	163
Sustaining	1	1	1
Life*	13	13	13
Special/Honorary	12	13	11
Institutions	11	11	11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>199</b>

*\*One life member, Edna Banks (PF-290), died in August 1998. Her son Robert Brooks (also a life member) plans to continue her membership until 2005.*

A discussion on the reasons for the decline in membership ensued, with President Huber mentioning the deaths of several longtime members. **Newsboy** editor Bill Gowen noted that a high proportion of first-time members tend drop out after the initial year, probably because they realize the Society is not for them.

Vice President Bob Routhier, standing chairman of the Membership Committee, said he believes that new members be given a personal welcome by H.A.S. officers and/or board members, and that he has made it a habit of initiating personal contact with new members to make them feel welcome. He also felt that new members should be encouraged to attend the annual convention, because "adding a face and personality" to telephone or e-mail communication is the best way to encourage development of long-term friendships as well as long-term membership in the Society.

The **Newsboy Report** was given by editor Bill Gowen. He reported that the Society's new commercial printer is now using laser technology to produce **Newsboy**, with a noticeable improvement in reproduction quality. With this new technology, additional copies can be "printed on demand" for a set price, where the previous printing method included expensive one-time-use platemaking costs. Although the print run will continue to be 300 copies for the immediate future, Gowen suggested it was possible to cut back to reflect current membership, with back copies easy to produce if future demand dictated.

It was suggested by Bob Routhier that rather than reduce the present 300-copy print run, that members of the Society who are regular **eBay** sellers could donate a nominal number of dollars to cover the cost of including a back issue of **Newsboy** to **eBay** purchasers of Alger books (or other series books) who are not at present members of the Society. A letter of introduction and an H.A.S. membership application could also be enclosed.

In a continuation of a topic from the previous year, the frequency of publication of **Newsboy** was discussed, including the option of going to quarterly instead of bi-monthly publication. The reasons for this, as discussed previously, included declining membership as well as a lack of submitted Alger-related articles to sustain six issues per year.

The board voted (1), to continue on a six-issue per year publication cycle and continue to encourage members to submit story ideas to the editor for possible publication; and (2), because of the lateness of the current publication cycle, the March-April 2004 issue will be combined with the May-June issue to create a March-June issue. Then, bi-monthly publication would resume with the July-August 2004 issue.

The directors also voted to revisit the publication frequency of **Newsboy** at the 2005 Board of Directors meeting.

A discussion of the Horatio Alger Society's Web page followed, with the suggestion that the Society get its own domain name. The pluses and minuses were discussed, and President Huber, noting the estimated cost of \$14 per month, recommended that no domain name be sought, but that informal discussions between himself and Mike and Janice Morley will attempt to find ways of broadening the appeal of the Web page.

Because several members of the Nominating Committee were not present at the convention, President Huber acted as ex-officio head of the committee, reporting that a partial slate of officers and directors had been assembled. Huber said the slate would be finalized that evening and that the Board of Directors would have an opportunity to ratify the full slate at Friday morning's Directors' breakfast meeting.

The next new agenda item was the determination of a site for the 2005 convention. Director Dave Yarrington volunteered to host the 2005 convention

at Grand Rapids, Mich., with his co-hosts including the several H.A.S. members residing in the Grand Rapids area: Linda and Arthur Smither, Carol and Milt Ehlert and Chris and Doug DeHaan. Bill Gowen noted that although a previous convention was held at Grand Rapids in 1994, with the Ehlerts and DeHaans the co-hosts, "In Search of Treasure" was one of the finest conventions ever held and a return there was an exciting prospect.

President Huber asked for further convention site nominations. No firm commitments came forth, and the directors voted to present Grand Rapids as the 2005 convention site before the membership at Friday's annual business meeting.

The board approved honorariums in the amount of \$50 each for the Executive Director and **Newsboy** Editor.

President Bob Huber recessed the meeting at 6:15 p.m., to be reconvened Friday morning.

The annual Board of Directors meeting was reconvened at 8 a.m., Friday, May 14, in the Blackhawk Cafeteria in the Holmes Student Center.

President Bob Huber reported the slate of candidates assembled by the nominating committee, as follows:

For President — Bob Routhier (PF-889); for Vice President — Mike Morley (PF-934); for secretary/treasurer — Chris DeHaan (PF-773), all for 2-year terms.

For Directors (3-year terms): Ken Broadie (PF-1053), Bob Sipes (PF-1067) and Larry Rice (PF-757). They will replace outgoing Directors Lee Allen (PF-977), Ed Mattson (PF-067) and Jeanette Routhier (PF-1055).

With all old and new business concluded, Bob Huber adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**  
**William R. Gowen**  
**Editor**  
**Horatio Alger Society**

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# *'Dash to DeKalb II' — registration list*

Kyoko Amano (PF-1049) Greencastle, Ind.	Elaine Friedland Monsey. N.Y.	Janice Morley (PF-95) Fremont, Calif.	Arthur Smitter (PF-952) Grand Rapids, Mich.
Bernie Biberdorf (PF-524) Fishers, Ind.	Jonathan Friedland (PF-641) Highland Park, Ill.	Michael Morley (PF-934) Fremont, Calif.	Linda Smitter Grand Rapids, Mich.
Marcy Biberdorf Fishers, Ind.	Michele Friedland Highland Park, Ill.	Carol Nackenoff (PF-921) Swarthmore, Pa.	Linda J. Sohl (PF-1081) Budd Lake, N.J.
Ken Broadie (PF-1053) Fort Worth, Texas	William R. Gowen (PF-706) Lake Zurich, Ill.	Bart J. Nyberg (PF-879) Omaha, Neb.	Bill Sohl Budd Lake, N.J.
Kay Broadie Fort Worth, Texas	Gordon Huber (PF-843) Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	Mary Ann Nyberg (PF-861) Omaha, Neb.	Angelo Sylvester (PF-928) Phoenix, Ariz.
Bradford S. Chase (PF-412) Enfield, Conn.	Jeanne Huber Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	Lawrence R. Rice (PF-757) Maine, N.Y.	Mary Sylvester Phoenix, Ariz.
Ann Chase Enfield, Conn.	Robert G. Huber (PF-841) Madison, Wisc.	Vivian R. Rice Maine, N.Y.	David Yarrington (PF-1050) Grand Rapids, Mich.
J. Randolph Cox (PF-598) Dundas, Minn.	Deidre A. Johnson (PF-596) West Chester, Pa.	Bill Roach (PF-978) Lawrence, Kan.	Maybelle Yarrington Grand Rapids, Mich.
Stephen Downie (PF-1082) Central Islip, N.Y.	John R. Juvinall (PF-537) Hinsdale, Ill.	Robert R. Routhier (PF-889) Swartz Creek, Mich.	Arthur P. Young (PF-941) Sycamore, Ill.
Nancy Downie Central Islip, N.Y.	Robert L. Kersch (PF-946) Great River, N.Y.	Jeanette Routhier (PF- 1055) Swartz Creek, Mich.	Patricia Young Sycamore, Ill
Milton F. Ehlert (PF-702) Grand Rapids, Mich.	Thomas P. Kline (PF-1054) Cedar Falls, Iowa	David A. Scott Philadelphia, Pa.	
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# H.A.S. special consignment auction results

Title	Pub.	Buyer	Price	Title	Pub.	Buyer	Price
Ben Logan's Triumph (1st ed.)	C&L	Ken Broadie	\$25.00	Wait and Win	G. Westgard	Bob Sipes	\$5.00
Finding a Fortune	Penn	Arthur Smmitter	100.00	Andy Grant's Pluck	Federal	Arthur Smmitter	2.00
Strong and Steady	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	3.00	Walter Griffith (1st hardcover ed.)	Street & Smith	Bob Kersch	180.00
From Farm Boy to Senator	David McKay	Ken Broadie	10.00	The Odds Against Him	Penn	Larry Rice	105.00
Ned Newton	Street & Smith	Ken Broadie	65.00	In a New World	Winston	Bob Sipes	5.00
Nothing to Do	G. Westgard	Bob Sipes	5.00	Bound to Rise	Loring	Bob Huber	22.00
Randy of the River	G&D	Ken Broadie	11.00	The New School Ma'am	G. Westgard	Ken Broadie	15.00
Julius	Winston	Ken Broadie	1.00	Out for Business	Mershon	Bob Sipes	18.00
Mark Manning's Mission	Aeonian	Ken Broadie	7.00	Striving for Fortune	S&S Alger Series	Bob Routhier	5.00
A New York Boy	Street & Smith	Larry Rice	75.00	A Rolling Stone (1st ed.)	Thomp. & Thomas	Ken Broadie	40.00
Two misc. Algers	Goldsmith, Winston	Ken Broadie	5.00	<u>Newsboy</u> cover sheets	A. Sylvester	Bob Sipes	7.00
Digging for Gold	Winston	Bob Kersch	16.00	<u>Newsboy</u> cover sheets	A. Sylvester	Ken Broadie	6.00
Paul Prescott's Charge	Porter & Coates	Mike Morley	19.00	<u>Newsboy</u> cover sheets	A. Sylvester	Ken Broadie	8.00
Chester Rand	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	8.00	A Boy's Fortune	Winston	Arthur Smmitter	4.00
The Young Book Agent	G&D	Mike Morley	18.00	Andy Gordon	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smmitter	2.00
Tom Tracy	Street & Smith	Ken Broadie	90.00	Fame and Fortune (1st ed.)	Loring	Ken Broadie	35.00
Sam's Chance	Winston	Arthur Smmitter	8.00	Bertha's Christmas Vision	G. Westgard	Bob Sipes	5.00
Tom Brace (1st hardcover ed.)	Street & Smith	Ken Broadie	280.00	Rough and Ready	Loring	Bob Huber	20.00
Mark Mason	Hurst	Arthur Smmitter	1.00	Luck and Pluck	Porter & Coates	Bob Huber	1.00
Struggling Upward	H.T. Coates	Arthur Smmitter	5.00	Making His Mark	G. Westgard	David Yarrington	26.00
The Young Outlaw (1st ed.)	Loring	Ken Broadie	18.00	Victor Vane	Porter & Coates	David Yarrington	130.00
The Young Musician	Hurst	Brad Chase	11.00	Forging Ahead	Penn	Arthur Smmitter	90.00
Jack's Ward	Hurst	Brad Chase	70.00	Andy Grant's Pluck	Hurst	Arthur Smmitter	5.00
From Farm to Fortune	G&D	Ken Broadie	10.00	Advent. of a N.Y. Telegraph Boy	S&S Alger Series	Ken Broadie	15.00
The Young Adventurer	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smmitter	22.00	Sink or Swim	Hurst	Arthur Smmitter	3.00
The \$500 Check	Berkeley Ed.	Ken Broadie	45.00	Driven from Home	A.L. Burt	Linda Sohl	6.00
Tom Thatcher's Fortune	A.L. Burt	Bob Huber	15.00	Robert Coverdale's Struggle	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	6.00
The Backwoods Boy	David McKay	Ken Broadie	25.00	Tony the Hero	A.L. Burt	Aerthur Smmitter	3.00
Grit	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	1.00	Do and Dare	H.T. Coates	Ken Broadie	8.00
<u>Bootblack Annual</u> , Vol. 9	G. Westgard	Bob Sipes	5.00	Herbert Carter's Legacy	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smmitter	2.00
Rufus and Rose	Porter & Coates	Bob Routhier	55.00	Both Sides of the Continent	S&S pb	Mike Morley	45.00
Wait and Hope	Porter & Coates	Ken Broadie	65.00	Three misc. Algers	Hurst, Donohue	Arthur Smmitter	1.00
Grit	Hurst	Arthur Smmitter	5.00	The Young Acrobat	Hurst	Arthur Smmitter	2.00
Tony the Tramp	M.A. Donohue	Ken Broadie	1.00	<u>Enjoying Alger</u>	A. Sylvester	David Yarrington	20.00
Adrift in New York	Federal	Arthur Smmitter	1.00	<u>Enjoying Alger</u>	A. Sylvester	Ken Broadie	20.00
Grand'ther Baldwin's Thanksgiving	G. Westgard	Bob Sipes	5.00	<u>Enjoying Alger</u>	A. Sylvester	Larry Rice	20.00
Frank Fowler, the Cash Boy	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smmitter	18.00	Tattered Tom	Loring	Carol Nackenoff	25.00
In a New World	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smmitter	1.00	Luke Walton	Winston	Ken Broadie	3.00
H.A.S. Pierpoint cup plate		David Yarrington	2.00	The Tin Box	A.L. Burt	Bernie Biberdorf	6.00
H.A.S. Pierpoint cup plate		David Yarrington	2.00	Only an Irish Boy	Hurst	Arthur Smmitter	2.00
The Errand Boy	A.L. Burt	Stephen Downie	5.00	Bob Bennett: Alger Bibliography	Flying Eagle	Ken Broadie	16.00
Betty Gordon Series — 6 vols.	C&L	Bob Sipes	3.00	The Western Boy	Thomp. & Thomas	Arthur Smmitter	51.00
Helen Ford	Hurst	Linda Sohl	4.00	The Backwoods Boy (1st ed.)	Anderson & Allen	David Yarrington	70.00

# H.A.S. special consignment auction results

Title	Pub.	Buyer	Price	Title	Pub.	Buyer	Price
Joe's Luck	A.L. Burt	Mike Morley	\$10.00	The Train Boy	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	\$5.00
Nelson the Newsboy	Mershon	Ken Broadie	7.00	Ralph Raymond's Heir	Lupton (Stratford)	Ken Broadie	65.00
Brave and Bold	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	2.00	Five Hundred Dollars	Hurst	Arthur Smither	2.00
Ben the Luggage Boy	Porter & Coates	Arthur Young	30.00	Advent. of a Telegraph Boy	David McKay	Brad Chase	105.00
Jacob Marlowe's Secret	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	1.00	The World Before Him	Penn	Arthur Smither	60.00
Canal Boy to Pres. (2nd state)	J. R. Anderson	Carol Nackenoff	18.00	The Store Boy	Hurst	Ken Broadie	1.00
Risen from the Ranks	Winston	Ken Broadie	2.00	Jerry, the Backwoods Boy	G&D	Ken Broadie	3.00
Alger stamp, mint sheet of 50	USPS	Carol Nackenoff	5.00	Facing the World	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	17.00
Mark Mason's Triumph	N.Y. Book Co.	Mike Morley	1.00	The Young Boatman (3rd ed.)	Penn	Ken Broadie	65.00
Mayes: Alger Biography	Macy-Masius	Ken Broadie	6.00	Falling in with Fortune	G&D	Ken Broadie	11.00
B. Brooks' Adventures (1st ed.)	A.L. Burt	Carol Nackenoff	40.00	Dean Dunham	Aeonian	Ken Broadie	4.00
Hector's Inheritance	H.T. Coates	Arthur Smither	18.00	A Cousin's Conspiracy	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	2.00
Gardner: 'Road to Success' biblio.	Wayside Press	Carol Nackenoff	5.00	Shifting for Himself	Hurst	Ken Broadie	2.00
Julius, the Street Boy	Porter & Coates	Carol Nackenoff	12.00	Mabel Parker	Archon	Ken Broadie	6.00
The Young Explorer	H.T. Coates	Carol Nackenoff	9.00	Three misc. Algers	Hurst, N.Y. Book	John Juvinall	2.00
The Young Circus Rider (1st ed.)	Porter & Coates	Bob Sipes	55.00	Charlie Codman's Cruise	Winston	Ken Broadie	1.00
Joe the Hotel Boy	G&D	Ken Broadie	12.00	Ben Bruce	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	3.00
Sam's Chance (2nd state)	Loring	Ken Broadie	35.00	Lost at Sea	G&D	Ken Broadie	11.00
Facing the World	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	2.00	Slow and Sure	Mershon	Bob Sipes	25.00
Gardner: Alger biblio. (1st ed.)	Wayside Press	Larry Rice	5.00	Timothy Crump's Ward	G. Westgard	Bob Sipes	12.00
The Cash Boy	Hurst	Arthur Smither	2.00	Two misc. Algers	Hurst	Arthur Smither	2.00
Work and Win	MacLellan	Mike Morley	25.00	Tom Turner's Legacy	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	1.00
Ben's Nugget	H.T. Coates	Ken Broadie	5.00	Bob Burton	H.T. Coates	Ken Broadie	7.00
Wren Winter's Triumph	M.A. Donohue	Ivan McClymont	15.00	The Young Miner	H.T. Coates	Ken Broadie	21.00
Julius, the Street Boy	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	1.00	Two misc. Algers	A.L. Burt, Hurst	Ken Broadie	4.00
Dedication, 1st Unitarian Church	Ryder & Morse	Bob Sipes	6.00	Hugo, the Deformed	G. Westgard	Ken Broadie	20.00
Annie Graham; Robert Lawson	G. Westgard	Wendy Sipes	22.00	Young Captain Jack	G&D	Ken Broadie	5.00
The Young Salesman	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	4.00	Do and Dare	Mershon	Ken Broadie	1.00
The Five Hundred Dollar Check	David McKay	Ken Broadie	15.00	Rupert's Ambition	Winston	Ken Broadie	2.00
Number 91	G. Westgard	Ken Broadie	20.00	The Lost Life of Horatio Alger	Indiana Univ.	Mike Morley	11.00
Gruber: Alger bibliography	Grover Jones	Linda Sohl	30.00	Frank Hunter's Peril	Winston	Ken Broadie	3.00
Dan, the Newsboy	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	5.00	Harry Vane	Donohue	Ken Broadie	3.00
Making his Way	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	3.00	Strive and Succeed	A.L. Burt	Ken Broadie	5.00
The Nugget Finders	John Shaw	Arthur Smither	55.00	Facing the World	Winston	Arthur Smither	1.00
Helping Himself	H.T. Coates	Mike Morley	15.00	Frank and Fearless	Aeonian	Ken Broadie	5.00
Mark, the Match Boy	Porter & Coates	Mike Morley	\$30.00				
Ruth Fielding Series, 27 vols.	C&L	Bob Sipes	30.00				
Tom, the Bootblack	A.L. Burt	Arthur Smither	4.00				
Ragged Dick	Loring	Ken Broadie	42.00				
In Search of Treasure	A.L. Burt	Bob Kersch	6.00				
Mark Stanton	Street & Smith	Ken Broadie	50.00				
The Young Bank Messenger	Winston	Ken Broadie	9.00				
Seeking his Fortune	Loring	Ken Broadie	60.00				

**Total lots:** 164  
**Total bids:** \$3,424.00  
**Commission to H.A.S.:** \$513.60



# Annual H.A.S. consignment auction results

Item	Consgr.	Buyer	Price	Item	Consgr.	Buyer	Price
Dan the Newsboy (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	\$10.00	Peter Simple (Capt. Marriott; Hurst)	Bob Routhier	Bob Sipes	3.00
Tom Tracy (Lovell)	Brad Chase	Mike Morley	\$400.00	The Young Circus Rider (P&C)	Jerry Friedland	Ken Broadie	37.00
The Young Boatman (Penn)	Brad Chase	Bob Huber	325.00	Wait and Hope (P&C)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	24.00
Ben Logan's Triumph (C&L, 1st)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	14.00	M. Mason's Victory (1st, A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	41.00
The Young Adventurer (Coates)	Dave Yarrington	Kyoko Amano	7.00	Helen Ford (Winston)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	5.00
From Farm Boy to Senator (S&S)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	40.00	Number 91 (Westgard)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	12.00
Making his Mark (Penn)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	75.00	Dkigging for Gold (Winston)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	3.00
Mark the Match Boy (Loring)	Dave Yarrington	Bob Huber	5.00	Two misc. Algers (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	1.00
Tom the Bootblack (Hurst)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	40.00	Paul Prescott's Charge (P&C)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	10.00
The Disag. Woman (Westgard)	Brad Chase	Bob Huber	10.00	Dan Carter & Money Box (Wirt; C&L)	Milt Ehler	Bob Huber	5.00
Six misc. Algers (World Syndicate)	Dave Yarrington	Milt Ehler	2.00	A Boy Scout Patriot (Griggs; Saalfeld)	Milt Ehler	Bob Sipes	1.00
Six misc. Algers (World Syndicate)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	5.00	Ton Turner's Legacy (A.L. Burt)	Brad Chase	Mike Morley	50.00
Six misc. Algers (World Syndicate)	Dave Yarrington	Randy Cox	6.00	Four misc. Algers (Misc. publishers)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	22.00
Six misc. Algers (World Syndicate)	Dave Yarrington	Angelo Sylvester	5.00	Wait and Win (S&S New Medal Lib.)	Brad Chase	Mike Morley	25.00
Three misc. Algers (Donohue)	Dave Yarrington	Brad Chase	6.00	Two misc. Algers (Donohue)	Dave Yarrington	Deidre Johnson	1.00
<u>The Argosy</u> , Vol. 22	Milt Ehler	Deidre Johnson	15.00	Two misc. Algers (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	10.00
The Yankee Middy (Optic; L&S)	Milt Ehler	Bob Routhier	25.00	Frank Hunter's Peril (Winston)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	10.00
Brave Old Salt (Optic; L&S)	Milt Ehler	Mary Ann Nyberg	8.00	Saber-Tusk Walrus (Whitney; R&L)	Milt Ehler	Bob Sipes	1.00
The Odds Against Him (Penn)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	85.00	Bertha's Christmas Vision (Hurst)	Brad Chase	Mike Morley	30.00
Risen from the Ranks (Donohue)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	16.00	From Farm Boy to Senator (S&S pb)	Brad Chase	Bob Huber	18.00
Mark Stanton (S&S)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	70.00	Tom Tracy (Street & Smith)	Jerry Friedland	Bob Sipes	80.00
Tom Thatcher's Fortune (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	5.00	Making His Way (Goldsmith, d/j)	Bob Routhier	Brad Chase	17.00
The Wooden Spoon (Ludlow; Young)	Mile Ehler	Bob Huber	22.00	Brave and Bold (Loring)	Brad Chase	Randy Cox	5.00
Herbert Carter's Legacy (Coates)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	10.00	Three misc. Algers (Winston Lib.)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	45.00
Joe's Luck (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	44.00	Strive and Succeed (Winston, d/j)	Dave Yarrington	Milt Ehler	5.00
Helping Himself (Coates)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	1.00	G-man's Son (Robinson; Goldsmith)	Milt Ehler	Bob Sipes	1.00
Black Hawk's Warpath (Risteen; C&L)	Brad Chase	Bob Huber	5.00	Andy Gordon (S&S pb)	Milt Ehler	David Scott	5.00
S.Snobden's Office Boy (Doubleday)	Dave Yarrington	Dave Yarrington	3.00	Nothing to Do (Westgard)	Brad Chase	Dave Yarrington	16.00
Falling in with Fortune (S&S pb)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	5.00	Phil the Fiddler (Coates)	Jerry Friedland	Arthur Young	20.00
A Debt of Honor (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	12.00	The Errand Boy (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	14.00
Sink or Swim (Hurst)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	5.00	Five misc. Algers (Misc.)	Dave Yarrington	David Scott	1.00
The Young Adventurer (Donohue)	Bob Routhier	Mike Morley	10.00	Fame & Fort. ser. (S. & Schoolmate)	Dave Yarrington	Bob Sipes	47.00
Y. Capt. Jack/F. in w/Fortune (G&D)	Dave Yarrington	Deidre Johnson	5.00	Frank Fowler (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	3.00
Three misc. Algers (A.L. Burt, fez)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	7.00	Three misc. Algers (Donohue, d/j)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	18.00
Only an Irish Boy (S&S Medal Lib.)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	10.00	Three misc. Algers (Donohue, d/j)	Dave Yarrington	Brad Chase	11.00
Two misc. Algers (Winston; Coates)	Bob Routhier	Arthur Smither	5.00	F. Merriwell's Skill (Standish; McKay)	Bob Routhier	Randy Cox	5.00
Three misc. Algers (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	10.00	Mystery at Sugar Creek (Hutchens)	Milt Ehler	Bob Sipes	5.00
Dan the Newsboy (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	28.00	Daughter of a Chieftain (Ellis)	Bob Routhier	Jeff Looney	5.00
Rough and Ready (P&C)	Ivan McClymont	Arthur Smither	20.00	Frank Fowler (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	8.00
Two misc. Algers (Donohue; Hurst)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	10.00	Two misc. Algers (A.L. Burt)	Bob Routhier	Arthur Smither	2.00

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Item	Consgr.	Buyer	Price
2 misc. Algers (Westbrook, Odyssey)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	1.00
Boy Scout Explorers (Palmer)	Milt Ehlert	Bob Sipes	1.00
R. Gardner: Alger bibliography (Arco)	Dave Yarrington	Bernie Biberdorf	7.00
Frank and Fearless (Aeonian)	Brad Chase	Angelo Sylvester	13.00
Two misc. Algers (Burt, Mershon)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	14.00
Timothy Crump's Ward (Westgard)	Brad Chase	Angelo Sylvester	5.00
The New School Ma'am (Westgard)	Brad Chase	Bob Routhier	10.00
Two misc. Algers (Donohue)	Dave Yarrington	Arthur Smither	6.00
Four misc. Algers (Burt)	Bob Routhier	Angelo Sylvester	20.00
Herbert Carter's Legacy (Mershon)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	11.00
The Boy Traders (Castlemont, P&C)	Milt Ehlert	Mary Ann Nyberg	3.00
Snowed Up (Castlemont, P&C)	Milt Ehlert	Mary Ann Nyberg	5.00
Mark, the Match Boy (P&C)	Dave Yarrington	Angelo Sylvester	4.00
Three misc. Algers (misc.)	Bob Routhier	Dave Yarrington	1.00
Radio Boys Cronies (Donohue)	Milt Ehlert	Jeff Looney	5.00
Crib size quilt	Jeanette Routhier	Wendy Sipes	45.00
Crib size quilt	Jeanette Routhier	Dave Yarrington	45.00
Large crib size quilt	Jeanette Routhier	Arthur Smither	100.00
Twin size quilt	Jeanette Routhier	Wendy Sipes	60.00
The Young Explorer (P&C)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	5.00
The Sugar Creek Gang (Hutchens)	Milt Ehlert	Mary Ann Nyberg	10.00
Frank Fowler (A.L. Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	3.00
Now or Never (Optic, Caldwell)	Bob Routhier	Bob Sipes	10.00
Try Again (Optic, Caldwell)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	3.00
Vine and Olive (Optic, L&S)	Milt Ehlert	Bob Routhier	30.00
Boys of Bellwood School (Webster)	Milt Ehlert	Jerry Friedland	5.00
Slow and Sure (Coates)	Bob Routhier	Arthur Smither	18.00
Two misc. Algers (Donohue)	Bob Routhier	Arthur Smither	20.00
Two misc. Algers (G&D, Mershon)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	15.00
Victor Vane (Winston Lib.)	Ivan McClymont	Ken Broadie	30.00
Three misc. Algers (Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	5.00
Three misc. Algers (misc.)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	15.00
Cast Upon the Breakers (Doubleday)	Dave Yarrington	John Juvinall	1.00
Cast Upon the Breakers (Doubleday)	Brad Chase	John Juvinall	1.00
Frank Fowler (Burt)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	17.00
Two Dave Porters (Stratemeyer)	Bob Routhier	Bob Sipes	3.00
Four misc. Algers in d/j (Donohue)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	20.00
Ben's Nuggett (Superior)	Brad Chase	Randy Cox	12.00
Two misc. Algers (G&D)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	10.00
Frank's Campaign (S&S Alger Ser.)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	5.00



**Bob Huber acknowledges a bid during the special consignment auction.**

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Item	Consgr.	Buyer	Price
Two misc. Algers (G&D, Mershon)	Dave Yarrington	Ken Broadie	15.00
A Fancy of Hers/Disagree. Woman	Brad Chase	John Juvinall	1.00
Mark Mason's Victory (Burt)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	5.00
The Young Circus Rider (P&C)	Bob Routhier	Angelo Sylvester	6.00
Digging for Gold (P&C, 1st ed.)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	15.00
Brave and Bold Weekly, #60	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	10.00
Brave and Bold Weekly, #58	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	10.00
Brave and Bold Weekly, #59	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	10.00
Brave and Bold Weekly, #39	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	10.00
Brave and Bold Weekly, #63	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	10.00
The American Boy, Vol. 4	Milt Ehlert	Bob Huber	25.00
Gleason's Pictorial, 1853	Milt Ehlert	Bob Sipes	27.00
Ladies Home Journal, 1890	Milt Ehlert	Deidre Johnson	40.00

**Total lots: 133**  
**Total bids: \$2,787.00**  
**Commission to H.A.S.: \$557.40**

# Annual H.A.S. fund-raising auction results

Item	Donor	Buyer	Price	Item	Donor	Buyer	Price
Harper's New Monthly, Vol. 18	Chris DeHaan	Bob Sipes	\$20.00	Gardner: Alger bio./biblio. (Wayside)	Bill Gowen	Bernie Biberdorf	5.00
Humorous Alger headline	Brad Chase	Carol Nackenoff	22.00	Civil War in Song and Story (Collier)	Chris DeHaan	Ken Broadie	19.00
G.A. Henty Collector's Guide	Ivan McClymont	David Scott	5.00	Three misc. boys' books	Brad Chase	Milt Ehlert	2.00
Shoeshine Box (with brushes, etc.)	Ralph Keeney	Bob Sipes	30.00	Tip Top Weekly, No. 229 (S&S)	Bob Routhier	Jeff Looney	5.00
Three misc. Algers (Hurst)	Milt Ehlert	David Scott	5.00	Two misc. Algers (Hurst, G&D)	Bob Routhier	Angelo Sylvester	3.00
CD: Music from Edison cylinders	John Juvinall	Randy Cox	9.00	Pluck & Luck, No. 1,565 (Tousey)	Bob Routhier	Randy Cox	5.00
CD: Music from Edison cylinders	John Juvinall	Dave Yarrington	9.00	Four misc. Algers	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	1.00
CD: Music from Edison cylinders	John Juvinall	Bob Routhier	9.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Ivan McClymont	3.00
TV movie: Frank and Fearless	John Juvinall	Carol Nackenoff	4.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Mike Morley	3.00
TV movie: Frank and Fearless	John Juvinall	Arthur Smither	4.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Mary Ann Nyberg	3.00
Old Sleuth Weekly, No. 107	Bob Routhier	Randy Cox	12.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Bob Sipes	3.00
Twenty misc. Algers (Donohue)	Brad Chase	Angelo Sylvester	3.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	David Scott	3.00
A Fancy of Hers/Disag. Woman	Chris DeHaan	John Juvinall	2.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Arthur Smither	3.00
Slow and Sure (Mershon)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	7.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	3.00
Four misc. Algers (Donohue)	Milt Ehlert	Kyoko Amano	4.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Randy Cox	3.00
Tom Tracy (Westgard)	Carol Nackenoff	Angelo Sylvester	12.00	Alger-Winston formats (Sawyer-Thorp)	Bob Routhier	Bob Huber	3.00
Slow and Sure (Mershon)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	7.00				
Bowery Boys Library, No. 17	Bob Routhier	Randy Cox	10.00				
Good News (S&S; "Only an Irish Boy")	Chris DeHaan	Bob Sipes	35.00				
Canadian maple syrup (500 ml)	Ivan McClymont	Vivian Rice	9.00				
Tom the Bootblack (A.L. Burt)	Bill Gowen	Ken Broadie	8.00				
Slow and Sure (Mershon)	Bill Gowen	Ken Broadie	7.00				
CD: 1982 H.A.S. stamp ceremony	John Juvinall	Mike Morley	2.00				
CD: 1982 H.A.S. stamp ceremony	John Juvinall	Bernie Biberdorf	2.00				
Julius, the Street Boy (Westbrook)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	5.00				
Fifty misc. Algers (Whitman)	Brad Chase	Ken Broadie	20.00				
Three Dave Porters (Stratemeyer)	Bob Routhier	Bob Sipes	2.00				
Two misc. Oliver Optic titles	Bob Routhier	Arthur Smither	2.00				
Road to Success (Gardner biblio.)	Brad Chase	Randy Cox	5.00				
Andy Gordon (Westbrook)	Bob Routhier	Ken Broadie	9.00				
Four misc. Algers (Hurst)	Milt Ehlert	Angelo Sylvester	2.00				
Slow and Sure (P&C)	Bernie Biberdorf	Ken Broadie	5.00				
Golden Argosy, Vol. 2, No. 22	Chris DeHaan	Randy Cox	7.00				
Old Glory Series (3 titles; Stratemeyer)	Bob Routhier	Bob Sipes	5.00				
Sink or Swim (P&C)	Bill Gowen	Arthur Smither	38.00				
Candle Garden with iris design	Vivian Rice	Linda Smither	3.00				
The Youth's Companion, 11/24/81	Chris DeHaan	Arthur Young	3.00				
"Rags to Riches," computer software	Bernie Biberdorf	Mike Morley	1.00				
Out for Business (G&D)	Bill Gowen	Ken Broadie	14.00				
Three misc. Algers (Hurst)	Milt Ehlert	Angelo Sylvester	1.00				

**Total lots:** 56  
**Total bids (all proceeds to H.A.S.):** \$405.00  
**Gross receipts, all auctions:** \$6,616.00  
**Proceeds to H.A.S., all auctions:** \$1,476.00



From left, Milt Ehlert, Didi Johnson, Gordon Huber and Mary Ann Nyberg look over the books and other items in the annual consignment/donation auction.

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## *Convention reflections*

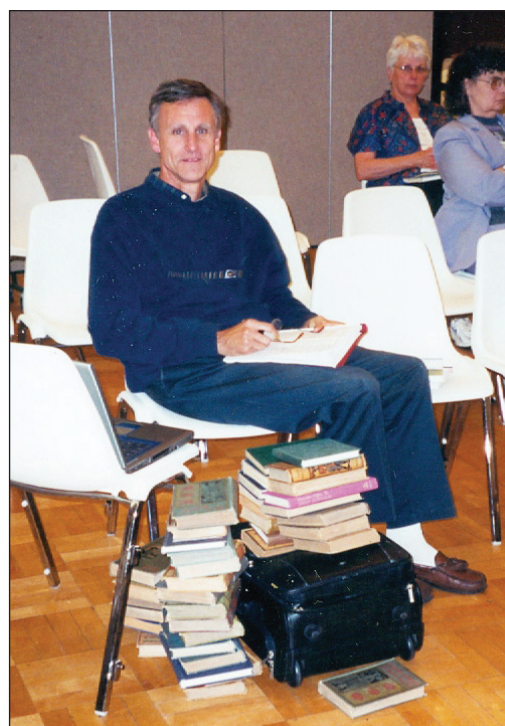
**Jerry Friedland enjoys a few moments with Polyglot Press President David Scott at the special consignment auction.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf



**Deidre Johnson shows off a Rose Bud Club volume purchased at the annual book sale.**

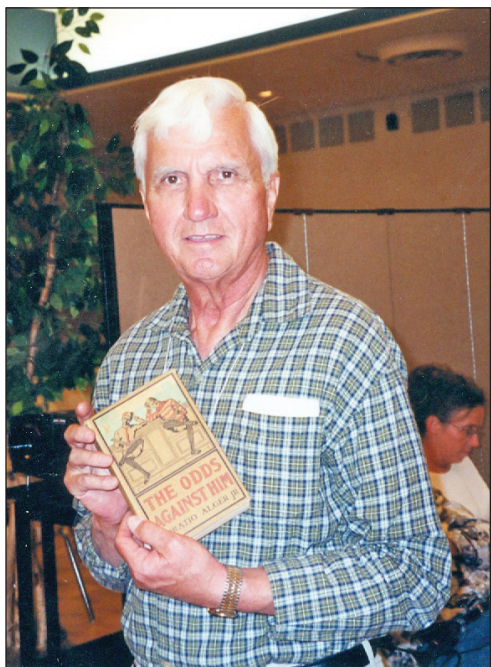
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**Ken Broadie's busy day at the auction is evidenced by his many purchases.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf





**Larry Rice holds his copy of *The Odds Against Him*, acquired during the special consignment auction.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf



**Angelo Sylvester is assisted by Brad Chase in moving his auction consignment of Horatio Alger books into Northern Illinois University's Holmes Student Center.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf



**Tom Kline, with Mike and Janice Morley at the annual banquet.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf



**Kyoko Amano (PF-1049) holds up a copy of Street & Smith's *Brave and Bold Weekly*, the subject of her presentation, "Cut and Create; or, Alger's Editors Make a Success Hero."**

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laboration with his Partic'lar Friends from the Grand Rapids area — Milt Ehler, Arthur Smitter and Chris DeHaan.

Huber asked the floor for any additional convention site nominations for 2005, there were none, so a motion to approve Grand Rapids, Mich., as the next convention city was made, seconded and ratified overwhelmingly by hand vote. Yarrington briefly discussed the attractions the cities of Grand Rapids and nearby Holland have to offer, and said he and his committee would meet within a month to make preliminary plans, including the selection of a convention hotel.

Huber thanked the members for their support during his two years as President, and he thanked the three outgoing directors, Lee Allen, Ed Mattson and Jeanette Routhier, for their three years' service to the Society.

The luncheon concluded with a Power Point presentation by newly elected director Bob Sipes, titled "Internet Security for the Book Collector."

Topics discussed by Sipes included viruses (at least

81,000 known viruses in existence, the number increasing daily), malware ("malicious software"), which lowers the efficiency of your computer, and can cause the theft of personal or business information, etc. Also included in the discussion was how a computer user can best combat viruses and identity theft, how to block unwanted pop-up ads and so forth. Web sites where the user can obtain free on-line virus scans, as well as recommendations for the best anti-virus software, were covered in detail.

Friday afternoon was devoted to the special consignment auction from the collection of Angelo Sylvester (PF-928), which was held in the Regency Room. The 165 lots brought in a bid total of \$3,424, with the Horatio Alger Society's commission \$513.60. (For a summary of this auction, see Pages 9-10).

Friday night's dinner was held at nearby Kishwaukee Country Club, with the guest speaker Kyoko Amano (PF-1049) of Greencastle, Ind., recipient of Northern Illinois University's 2000 Horatio Alger Fellowship Award, whose talk was titled "Cut and Create; or, Alger's Editors Make a Success Hero."

Ms. Amano discussed how 14 of Alger's most popular stories were edited and condensed by Street & Smith for that publisher's use in **Brave and Bold Weekly** between October 1903 and October 1904. These stories include *Phil the Fiddler*, *The Five Hundred Dollar Check* and *The Erie Train Boy*.

The remainder of Friday evening was spent socializing in the hospitality room, as well as organizing additional donations and consignments for the following day's auction.

### Saturday, May 15

The traditional Horatio Alger Society book sale started off the day's activities at 8:30 a.m., with a large selection of books on display in the Regency Room.

At approximately 10 a.m., the book sale was wrapped up and the room reconfigured for the annual consignment and donation auction. A break for lunch "on the town" came at about 12:30 p.m., with the auction resuming slightly before 2 p.m. Because of the large number of items to be auctioned, the event did not wrap up until after 5 p.m.

The consignment auction grossed \$2,787, for which the Society earned a commission of \$557.40; while the donation auction (all proceeds to H.A.S.) brought in \$405. For the two days of auctions, the Society netted \$1,476 from gross proceeds of \$6,616. (For complete auction summary, see Pages 9-13).

Saturday night's traditional event, the annual H.A.S. banquet, was held in the Holmes Student Center Sky Room. Convention host Art Young made welcoming remarks, first thanking his secretary, Kathy Sherman, along with Rare Books and Special Collections Librarian Lynne Thomas and her staff (who were in attendance);



## Strive and Succeed Award

Below are the introductory remarks by convention host Art Young for the 2004 *Strive and Succeed Award*, presented May 15, 2004, to Sharon Carr of Sycamore (Illinois) High School:

It is now time for the annual presentation of our Strive and Succeed Award. As many of you in this room know, the award is given annually to a high school junior or senior who has been diligent and hard-working, and who has some adversity in life to overcome. As stated in the Horatio Alger Society's Statement of Purpose, it says "To further the philosophy of Horatio Alger, Jr., and to encourage the spirit of Strive and Succeed that for half a century guided Alger's undaunted heroes – lads whose struggles epitomized the great American dream and inspired hero ideals in countless millions of young Americans."

Our recipient tonight is Ms. Sharon Carr, who is a senior at Sycamore High School, which is the town right next to DeKalb, in which I might say that my wife and I currently live, and at which high school my wife served as the director of the school library before her recent retirement and life of leisure.

Sharon Carr experienced a profound adversity early in her life, when she lost both of her parents to cancer when she was just seven years old. Thanks to the loving support of her guardians, Jane and Doug Lamont, who are her with us tonight, Sharon has gone on to a magnificent record of accomplishment in her life and at school. Some of her school activities include the marching band, pep band, basketball, soccer, cross-country, Spanish club, Key club, and church youth group. She was on the academic honor roll all four years of high school, and an all-conference junior varsity cross-country runner. She received



**Convention host Arthur P. Young presents the *Strive and Succeed Award* to senior Sharon Carr of Sycamore High School on May 15, 2004 during the annual Horatio Alger Society banquet at Northern Illinois University's Holmes Student Center.**

Photo by Bernie Biberdorf

awards from the Daughters of the American Revolution, from the Division I solo and ensemble contest, and the coach's award for cross-country.

With all of these activities, she still finds time to volunteer as a nursery caregiver at the Sycamore United Methodist Church and at the local craft fair. Sharon will attend Illinois State University in Bloomington and study sociology.

Sharon, we're delighted to give you this certificate; a check, which we hope will help further your education; and a copy of Alger's *Strive and Succeed*. You go with our very best wishes.

plus the Holmes Student Center staff, for their dedication in helping to plan the convention's activities and keeping the event running smoothly throughout the weekend.

Following dinner, Bob Routhier took the podium for the first time as newly elected President, and after giving thanks to the membership for their support, asked *Newsboy* editor Bill Gowen announce the total monies raised from the weekend's auctions.

Routhier then turned the podium back to Art Young, who introduced the 2004 *Strive and Succeed Award* recipient, Sharon Carr, a senior at Sycamore High School, who was accompanied by her guardians, Jane and Doug Lamont, along with her escort for that evening's senior prom, which was conveniently scheduled for later that evening in the Holmes Student Center. (For additional information on this year's *Strive and Succeed Award* winner, see the accompanying article, above).

Following immediately were the annual H.A.S. awards, with outgoing President Bob Huber presenting

the **President's Award** to Marc and Michelle Williams, the hosts for the highly successful 2003 H.A.S. convention in Houston, Texas. Unfortunately, business commitments prevented the Williamses from attending this year's convention.

Larry Rice, the 2003 recipient, presented the **Dick Seddon Award** to treasurer/secretary Christine DeHaan; again, a previous commitment prevented Chris from attending the convention, and her Michigan neighbors, Milt and Carol Ehlert, volunteered to present the award plaque to Chris immediately upon their return home.

The final event of the evening was the keynote address by renowned author and literary critic Nicholas A. Basbanes, who previously spoke at the 1999 centennial H.A.S. convention in DeKalb.

At that time, Basbanes' book *A Gentle Madness: Bibliophiles, Bibliomanes and the Eternal Passion for Books*, was emerging as a best-seller (it is now in its eighth

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printing in hard-cover and trade paperback). This led to an expansion of the same topic in a pair of critically praised sequels: *Among the Gently Mad: Perspectives and Strategies for the Book-Hunter in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (2002); and *A Splendor of Letters: The Permanence of Books in an Impermanent World* (2003).

Appropriately, Basbanes' wide-ranging talk was titled "A Splendor of Letters," and it explored the new highways and byways of the "madness" of reading and collecting books discovered in the years since *A Gentle Madness* was first published. The question-and-answer session following the talk reflected the responsive chord which Basbanes had struck with an audience whose obvious passion was for books. He was so impressed that he mentioned the possibility that the Horatio Alger Society might be the subject of a chapter in a future book.

Following his presentation, Basbanes set aside 15-20 minutes to greet his Partic'lar Friends and to personally inscribe copies of his books for those who had brought them to the banquet.

Following the banquet, the hospitality room remained open to allow members to gather and talk books well into the evening.

## Sunday, May 16

The traditional "farewell" breakfast was held in the Holmes Student Center's Pheasant Room starting at 7:30 a.m. It provided members a last opportunity to chat and say their goodbyes, hopefully to meet in Grand Rapids, Mich., for the 41st annual convention, "Gathering in Grand Rapids," on May 12-15, 2005.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### INCOME

Auction proceeds .....	1,551.00
Membership dues .....	3,170.00
Interest.....	31.96
Strive & Succeed Award donations.....	410.00
H.A.S. merchandise (back issues) .....	40.00

**TOTAL INCOME.....\$5,202.96**

### EXPENSES

Auction consignment payouts.....	\$632.80
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### Convention:

Award plaques .....	93.28
Total convention .....	93.28
Executive director's expenses .....	282.02
Friends of NIU Libraries .....	100.00
Honorarium.....	100.00
Misc. expenses .....	66.45

### Newsboy expenses:

Printing .....	\$2,665.00
Postage.....	1,162.55
Supplies (envelopes, etc.) .....	84.11
Total Newsboy expenses.....	3,911.66
Illinois Secretary of State .....	8.00
Strive & Succeed Award .....	750.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES.....</b>	<b>\$5,944.21</b>

**NET INCOME.....(741.25)**

## Balance sheet as of April 30, 2004

### ASSETS

#### Current assets (checking/savings)

Checking account .....	\$1,595.04
Money market .....	7,552.20
S&S Award .....	191.09
<b>Total checking/savings accounts .....</b>	<b>\$9,338.33</b>
<b>Total current assets .....</b>	<b>\$9,338.33</b>

**TOTAL ASSETS.....\$9,338.33**

### LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

#### Equity:

Opening balance, equity .....	\$4,763.05
Retained earnings .....	5,316.53
Net income.....	(741.25)
<b>TOTAL EQUITY.....</b>	<b>\$9,338.33</b>

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY....\$9,338.33**

*Submitted by Christine DeHaan, Treasurer*

May 13, 2004





**Mary Ann and Bart Nyberg, with Jeff Looney at the H.A.S. banquet.** Photo by Bernie Biberdorf



**Incoming Horatio Alger Society President Bob Routhier speaks during the annual banquet.** Photo by Bernie Biberdorf



**Kyoko Amano chats with keynote speaker Nicholas S. Basbanes.**

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**Milt and Carol Ehler prior to the start of the annual banquet.**







**From left: Janice and Mike Morley, Vivian and Larry Rice, Bob and Kathy Sherman, and Wendy and Bob Sipes at Kishwaukee Country Club.**

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**Ivan McClymont takes a break with the daily newspaper.**

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**John Juvinall joins Angelo and Mary Sylvester at Friday's dinner.**

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**Ann and Brad Chase during the annual banquet.**

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