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2020 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP

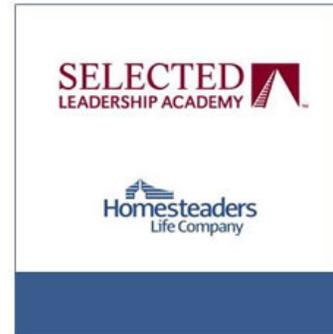
Homesteaders Life Company and the Trust are offering a scholarship to the *Selected Leadership Academy* for the 2020-21 class!

The recipient will receive free tuition for the entire two-year Academy term (a \$4,290 value). In addition, the recipient will receive \$300 each year to help cover the cost of books, fees and other program-related expenses.

Applicants must complete the online application form and submit an essay. They also must attach at least one professional reference letter. Applications can be found by visiting the [Trust & Leadership Academy page](#).

Application Deadline: January 31, 2020

For more information email Bea Pedersen.



CONGRATULATIONS & APPRECIATION

ASD (Answering Service for Directors) and the Trust awarded the 2020 NextGen Seminar Hosted Member Opportunity to Megan Comer, President of Alhiser-Comer Mortuary in Escondido, CA.

"Thank you!" Megan told us. "I am very excited for this opportunity!"



Megan and the other 2020 NextGen Seminar participants will enjoy the beauty of St. Kitts from January 26-30. Her grant includes a stipend for airfare, hotel accommodations, full registration to the seminar and admission for two for the NextGen Welcome Reception.

On behalf of the Trust and Megan, we offer a big "thank you!" to ASD for making this opportunity possible.

FIVE NEW SCHOLARSHIPS RECIPIENTS

[Batesville](#) and the [Selected Educational Trust](#) are pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 Fall Second-Career Scholarships in the amount of \$1,500. The recipients are:



- LaShondra Brown, Northeast Texas Community College, Mt. Pleasant, TX
- Gary Goodson, Jr., John Tyler Community College, Chester, VA

Due to the generosity of Selected members to the Trust, we were able to award three additional \$1,000 scholarships to:

- Kerilyn Bascle, Commonwealth Institute of Funeral Service, Houston, TX
- Gregg Jorgensen, Worsham College of Mortuary Science, Wheeling, IL
- Dale Nicholson, Mid-America College of Funeral Service, Jeffersonville, IN

As Greg Jorgensen, a memorial scholar from Worsham College of Mortuary Science, so eloquently put it:

“I want to thank you for this award. It is an honor to be selected for one of the additional scholarships the Trust is allocating this year. The funds your supporters have contributed are a great resource to not only myself, but for all of the winners, helping to guide our careers into the funeral service profession.”

For more information about upcoming scholarships, visit the [Selected Educational Trust](#) or contact [Bea Pedersen](#).