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Silver Crescent Foundation Announces Design Challenge Finalists

Annual Student Competition Promotes Manufacturing and Career

Columbia, SC – The Silver Crescent Foundation and the South Carolina Department of Education’s Office of Career and Technology Education, in partnership with the SC Regional Education Centers and Regional Career Specialists, are pleased to announce the finalists in the eighth annual SC Discover Manufacturing Design Challenge.

The Design Challenge is one of several programs the Foundation uses to help people “Discover Manufacturing.” Students in grades 1 – 12 learn about the important role manufacturing plays in the state. Then competitors are challenged to create graphic designs portraying a dynamic, positive image of manufacturing and its impact on local communities. The competition’s goal is not only to foster career exploration by young people, but also exposure them to jobs that rely on workers with strong science, math, engineering and technology skills.

Designs were produced either free hand or mechanically. Elementary school students created designs which will appear on a calendar, middle school students designed a tote bag, and high school students designed a T-shirt. Three winners will be chosen in each category, with first, second and third place winners receiving scholarships of \$400, \$200 and \$100, respectively. In addition, the sponsoring teacher of the first place winner in each category will be awarded \$300.

State level judges selected the finalists in their respective categories from the 12 regions that participated in the competition.

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Below is the list of finalists in alphabetical order along with scheduled award presentation dates:

- Megan Cox, Moncks Corner (Berkeley High School), T-shirt – May 28
- Gail Her, Spartanburg (Fairforest Elementary School), Calendar – April 14
- Charlene Hong, Greer (Riverside High School), T-shirt – May 18
- Sarah Kesler, Greenville (Powdersville Middle School), Tote bag – date to be determined
- Zoey Meecha, Ladson (Sangaree Middle School), Tote bag – April 15
- Jose Resendiz, Spartanburg (Fairforest Middle School), Tote bag – June 1
- Skyler Tallman, Pickens (Albert R. Lewis Elementary School), Calendar – date to be determined
- Harris Womble, Gray Court (Hickory Tavern Elementary School), Calendar – date to be determined
- Brittany Yeager, Bluffton (Bluffton High School), T-shirt – date to be determined

The Silver Crescent Foundation promotes manufacturing vitality and career opportunities in South Carolina. The Foundation is committed to helping people of all ages and backgrounds Discover Manufacturing as it works to build the workforce pipeline of the future. To learn more, visit www.silvercrescentsc.org.