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Silver Crescent Foundation Announces Design Challenge Award Recipients

Annual Student Competition Promotes Manufacturing and Career Exploration

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 Career Specialists, are pleased to announce the finalists in the ninth annual SC Discover Manufacturing Design Challenge.

The Design Challenge is one of several programs the Foundation uses to expose young people to the value of manufacturing careers. The theme of this year’s contest was “Manufacturing starts with an idea; what is yours?” In the classroom, students in grades 6 – 12 learn about the important role manufacturing plays in South Carolina and the world. Then students were challenged to use research to produce a written essay and design a creative solution to a real world problem. The competition’s goal is not only to foster career exploration by young people, but also expose them to jobs that rely on workers with strong science, math, engineering and technology skills.

The designs created by middle and high school students will be featured in calendars and tote bags produced and distributed to educators, parents, students and business leaders throughout the state as part of the Foundation’s Discover Manufacturing outreach. Three winners were chosen in each category, with first, second and third place winners receiving scholarships of \$300, \$200 and \$100, respectively. In addition, the sponsoring teacher of the first place winner in each category will be awarded \$200.

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

Below is the list of award recipients:

- 1st Place, Edward Fowler, Spartanburg (11th grade, Broome High School)
- 2nd Place, Ashley Crompton, Chester (11th grade, Chester County Career Center)
- 3rd Place, Alaina Johnson, Moncks Corner (10th grade, Berkeley High School)
- 1st Place, Nashell Simpson, Bluffton (8th grade, McCracken Middle School)
- 2nd Place, Chloe Evans, Campobello (6th grade, Holly Springs-Motlow Elementary School)
- 3rd Place, Darien Bonaparte, Orangeburg (7th grade, Robert E. Howard Middle School)

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.