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**American Galvanizers Association Announces the  
2009 Galvanize the Future: An Edgar K. Schutz Scholarship Essay Winners**

**CENTENNIAL, CO** – The American Galvanizers Association (AGA) has announced the winners of the 2009 *Galvanize the Future: An Edgar K. Schutz Scholarship* essay contest. Three students were selected from more than 40 applicants based in architecture, civil, or other engineering programs in North America.

Securing the first place prize of a \$2,500 scholarship is Anna Bruce, an 18-year-old student majoring in Mechanical Engineering at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. Her essay, “The Galvanized Community,” was selected the winner by a panel of three industry experts that judged the essays on six criteria.

The second place winner of a \$1,500 scholarship is 21-year-old Stephanie Grannetino, an Architecture major at Philadelphia University in Philadelphia, Pa. Her essay, titled “What has the Steel Construction Industry Seeing Green?” examined the green qualities of hot-dip galvanized steel, as well as the financial benefits.

The third place winner, 24-year-old Jenny Joe, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. She tackled the second essay option, creating a course outline to teach students about corrosion management and the role of hot-dip galvanized steel. Joe will be attending Columbia University in New York, N.Y., in the fall to study Architecture and Urban Design.

This scholarship opportunity is open to any college students majoring in architecture, civil engineering or structural engineering, and has recently widened to include construction management, material science or other approved engineering fields. The student can be full or part time, and enrolled in either an undergraduate or graduate degree program at any four year university in North America. For more information on next year’s program, visit the AGA’s scholarship page at [www.galvanizeit.org/scholar](http://www.galvanizeit.org/scholar).

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Serving the needs of specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors, and fabricators throughout North America since 1935, the American Galvanizers Association (AGA) provides information on the most innovative applications and state-of-the-art technological developments in hot-dip galvanizing for corrosion protection. Created to educate and train in the specification and use of hot-dip galvanized steel, the AGA maintains a large technical library, distributes numerous industry publications, offers free educational seminars, and provides toll-free technical support to the specifying community.

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