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MSS AWARDS FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS TO ENGINEERING STUDENTS

Vienna, VA – The Manufacturers Standardization Society (MSS) is pleased to announce the 2019 recipients of the MSS/Tom Hannafin Scholarship Awards. All four awardees submitted an application accompanied by academic transcripts and an essay on the impact of the valve and fittings industry in their lives. The MSS Membership Committee reviewed the applications and recommended candidates for approval by the MSS Board of Directors.

Mr. Fred Washburn, President of MSS, along with Mr. Greg Johnson, Membership Committee Chairman, announced the awardees at the recent 2019 MSS Annual Meeting to include:

- Ethan Kinnaird  
  Gardendale, AL  
  Auburn University  
  Industrial and Systems Engineering
- Jake Robinson  
  South Windsor, CT  
  University of Connecticut  
  Mechanical Engineering
- Ivan Rodriguez  
  La Porte, TX  
  Texas Tech University  
  Mechanical Engineering
- Nic Shelton  
  Scottsboro, AL  
  University of Alabama Huntsville  
  Mechanical Engineering

The MSS member companies that are affiliated with the 2019 awardees include the American Flow Control (American Cast Iron Pipe Company), Dynamic Products, Empire Industries, and the Parker Hannifin Corporation (Parker Instrumentation Products).

The MSS/Tom Hannafin Scholarship Program provides annual cash awards of $2,000 to multiple engineering and material science students interested in the valve and fittings industry. The MSS Board of Directors was impressed with the high caliber of all the scholarship applicants, agreeing to provide for four awardees this year. Making the final selections from all the applications received was difficult and the Board finalized the list of awardees during the 2019 Annual Meeting. Applicants must be employees, children or dependents of employees, or a legal guardian of an employee of MSS Member Companies that are attending or accepted to an engineering or materials science program (bachelor or graduate) at an accredited college or university.

About MSS

The Manufacturers Standardization Society (MSS) of the Valve and Fittings Industry is a not-for-profit technical association organized for the development and improvement of industry, national and international codes and standards for Valves, Valve Actuators, Valve Modifications, Pipe Fittings, Flanges, Pipe Hangers and Supports, and Associated Seals. Since its establishment in 1924, MSS has been dedicated to developing standards for national and global application, in cooperation with other standardizing bodies and regulatory authorities.

MSS is an American National Standards Institute (ANSI)-accredited standards developer.

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