3-A SSI Announces 2018 Student Travel Award Recipients

McLEAN, Virginia – 3-A Sanitary Standards, Inc. (3-A SSI) announces the recipients of the 3-A SSI 2018 Student Travel Award, a program intended to help motivated, career-oriented students to participate in the annual education program of 3-A SSI and gain comprehensive knowledge about hygienic design for food processing equipment and systems. Recipients will participate in the 3-A SSI education program, Exceeding Customer Expectations Through Hygienic Design and related events on May 14-15, 2018 at the Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport-Mall of America in Bloomington, MN.

Recipients of the 2018 awards include:

- Ariel Garsow, The Ohio State University
- Luis Jimenez, Texas Tech University
- Paola Melisa Moncada-Munoz, Texas Tech University
- Sara Margarita Munoz, Texas Tech University
- Gabriella Paz, Louisiana State University
- Anna Rose B. Pilapil, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
- Samuel Reichler, Cornell University
- Minqian Wang, Rutgers University
- Samantha Gartley, University of Delaware
- Walaa Hussein, The Ohio State University
- Sarah Murphy, Cornell University

The 3-A SSI Travel Award program attracted the highest number of applicants ever this year and an extremely high level of professional achievement. The 3-A SSI Review Committee made the highest number of awards of any year in 2018. According to 3-A SSI Chair David Kedzierski (Cabot Creamery), “We have expanded our role in hygienic design education because it is a fundamental element of assuring food safety. The 3-A SSI program gives these future food industry professionals a great opportunity to gain in-depth knowledge about hygienic equipment design in the real world and network with a truly diverse group of industry leaders.”

Recipients of the 2018 awards demonstrated interest and commitment to food safety and quality as a student enrolled full-time in a food technology, food science, dairy science or other closely related program (undergraduate or graduate level) at a college or university in the U.S. or Canada. Award recipients were selected on the basis of a personal essay, official transcripts and a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or department head.

See the 3-A SSI website at www.3-a.org ‘What’s Going on at 3-A?’ for complete details on the upcoming education program and related events, including registration information and Work Group meeting schedules. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Sponsorship represents a great opportunity to build recognition as a supporter of the expanding education mission of 3-A SSI. For sponsorship details, contact Tim Rugh at 3-A SSI.

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3-A Sanitary Standards, Inc. is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to enhance product safety for consumers of food, beverages, and pharmaceutical products through the development and use of 3-A Sanitary Standards and 3-A Accepted Practices. Visit the 3-A SSI web site at www.3-a.org.