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AIA West Virginia, a Chapter of The American Institute of Architects, has announced the recipients of its annual scholarship program for West Virginia students pursuing a career in Architecture. Again this year, AIA West Virginia was able to award \$14,750.00 to five students, due in part to a \$1800.00 grant from the National Component of the American Institute of Architects headquartered in Washington, DC.

The 2009 scholarships are awarded as follows: A \$5500.00 scholarship to **Tyler B. Etris**, a graduate of Trinity Christian School in Morgantown, who is a fourth year student at the University of Tennessee School of Architecture in Knoxville, TN. In addition, Tyler will receive the \$1500.00 Floyd J. Clingenpeel Memorial Award, funded annually by CMA Engineering of Charleston/Morgantown. A \$3500.00 scholarship was awarded to **Matthew J. Riffle**, a graduate of Ritchie County High School, who is enrolled in the Master of Architecture program at the University of Cincinnati School of Architecture in Cincinnati, OH. A \$1750.00 scholarship was awarded to **Daniel M. Trumble**, a graduate of Martinsburg High School, who is a fourth year student at the University of Notre Dame School of Architecture.

The \$1500.00 Jeffrey Mayfield Memorial Award goes to **Justin Cullen**, a senior at Fairmont State University. The \$1000.00 scholarship was awarded to **Mary Rogers**, a junior at Fairmont State University. Students from FSU are enrolled in a 4 year Bachelor of Science of Architecture Program.

Because there is no accredited state school of Architecture, the WV Chapter of AIA has continued to support West Virginia students enrolled in out-of-state accredited programs leading to a professional degree in Architecture and continues to recognize the importance of the Architectural education to its profession and has recently voted to expand the Scholarship Program.

Members of the 2009 AIAWV Scholarship Committee are: Chair, John Harris, AIA; Jody Driggs, AIA; Phoebe Randolph, AIA; Robert Wilson, AIA; and William Yoke, AIA.