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**Metal Specialties: A Decade of Rapid Growth  
and Excellence in Architectural Metal Service**





### THE INSIDE STORY

**Jack Berridge**  
Chairman  
of the Board

Our featured Berridge Licensee in this issue of BYLINE is Metal Specialties of Houston, Texas. During the past decade, this young, dynamic company has become one of the leading installers of architectural metal panel products in the Houston market. A key factor in Metal Specialties' rapid growth has been The Berridge Total Program which has enabled them to save their customers time and money by offering economical, cost-efficient site-formed standing seam metal roofing. A good example is the Hightower High School project shown on the front cover of this issue. Metal Specialties supplied continuous-length 230'-0" long standing seam panels to eliminate leak-prone panel end-lap fastener penetrations. This project, along with the diverse selection of other projects shown in this issue, bear testimony to Metal Specialties' wide range of capabilities.

Sincerely,

Jack. A. Berridge  
Chairman of the Board



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## Metal Specialties: Young, Dynamic and Dedicated to Excellence in Architectural Metal Services!

**A**lthough Metal Specialties is relatively young in terms of years in business, they have established an impressive record of constant growth and excellence in architectural metal panel installations. During the early nineteen eighties, Anthony Vento and Russell Deaton established a business partnership to fabricate and install tubular aluminum framed canvas-covered awnings and canopies. As design became more complex and larger in scale, heavier-gauge cold-formed steel framing was often required and frequently, a more durable facing material such as prefinished steel standing seam panels was specified. By the late nineteen eighties, design firms began to specify architectural standing seam panels for mansard and fascia systems and the two partners made the switch to metal.

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**Anthony Vento and Russell Deaton,**  
**Metal Specialties**

It was a project involving a large quantity of structural low-slope standing seam roof panels on public transit bus sheds and curved standing seam panels applied to equipment screens which provided

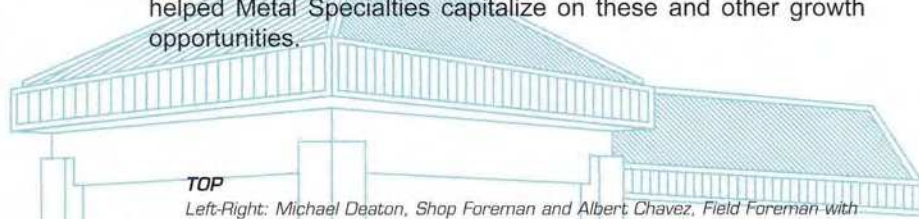


**The Metal Specialties Management Team:** Seated, L-R: Anthony Vento & Russell Deaton, Co-Owners. Standing, L-R: Rick Laskowski, Purchasing Manager; Dayna Deaton, Office Manager and David Kotch, Vice-President, Sales.





Mark Tice, Berridge Regional Sales Manager (left) presents Anthony Vento and Russell Deaton with a Berridge "Customer of Distinction" Award for outstanding sales during 1998.



#### TOP

Left-Right: Michael Deaton, Shop Foreman and Albert Chavez, Field Foreman with Metal Specialties' Roger Whitney shear.

## Metal Specialties

#### BOTTOM

Left-Right: The Metal Specialties Administrative Support Staff: Seated: Dayna Deaton, Office Manager; Standing, Left-Right: David Kotch, Vice-President, Sales and Rick Laskowski, Purchasing Manager.

the impetus for Metal Specialties to become a major contender in the Houston, Texas architectural metal market. Not many firms were capable of forming and installing curved radius standing seam panels. Notes Anthony Vento, "The requirement for curved panels was the decisive factor in our choosing Berridge Manufacturing Company as our supplier".

During the next few years, architectural metal panels grew in popularity in the Houston area and Metal Specialties kept pace by adding staff. David Kotch joined the firm as Sales and Estimating Manager and Dayna Deaton was hired as Office Manager. Other key employees added during the nineties include Rick Laskowski, Purchasing; Michael Deaton, Shop Foreman; Albert Chavez, Field Foreman and Josh Deaton, CAD Drafting. While the company still did some special ornamental metal work, the emphasis shifted toward large-scale commercial standing seam metal roofing projects. Berridge Manufacturing Company's

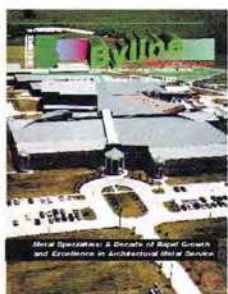
wide range of site-forming equipment and capabilities was a key factor in Metal Specialties' growth. Anthony Vento and Russell Deaton put it this way: "Site-Forming enables us to be more responsive to the customer. Since we don't have to take field measurements then wait for materials, we can begin installing when the customer is ready!"

Over the past couple of years, several large educational projects have contributed to Metal Specialties' growth. One such project, Hightower High School, used continuous-length Berridge Zee-Lock Standing



**Front Cover:**  
Hightower High School

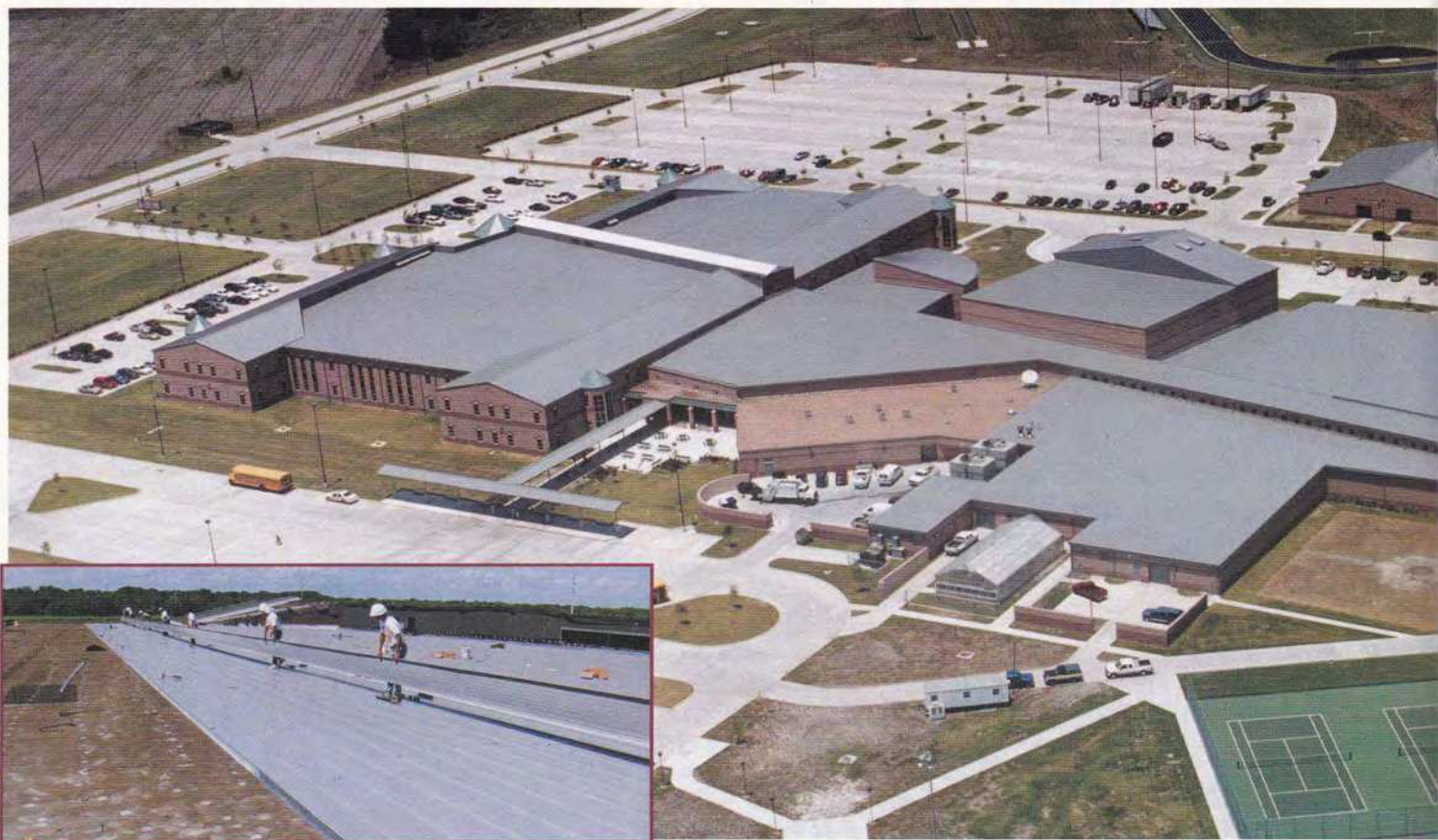
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# METAL SPECIALTIES: A DYNAMIC DECADE OF GROWTH

## HOUSTON AREA SCHOOL PROJECTS BY METAL SPECIALTIES



This massive high school building complex utilized over 200,000 square feet of site-formed Berridge Zee-Lock standing seam roof panels. The continuous-length site-formed Zee-Lock Panels -- up to 230' in length(see inset photo) -- eliminated the need for labor-intensive and leak-prone panel endlap splice joints.

### **Above:**

#### **HIGHTOWER HIGH SCHOOL**

Missouri City, Texas

Architect: Spencer Partnership, Houston, TX  
General Contractor: Marshall Construction Co., Houston, TX  
Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
Products: Berridge Zee-Lock Standing Seam Roof  
Finish: "Zinc Grey" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

### **Right:**

#### **SIENNA CROSSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Missouri City, Texas

Architect: Molina Walker Architect, Inc., Houston, TX  
General Contractor: Gamma Construction Co., Houston, TX  
Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
Products: Berridge Zee-Lock Standing Seam Roof  
Finish: "Zinc Grey" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™







**Below:**

## **CANEY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL**

Conroe, Texas

**Architect:** Spencer Partnership, Houston, TX  
**General Contractor:** Dyad Construction Co., Houston, TX  
**Roofing Contractor:** Metal Specialties, Houston, TX (Phase II -- East Side of complex - left side in photo below)  
**Products:** Berridge Zee-Lock Standing Seam Roof & Curved Tee-Panel  
**Finish:** "Patina Green" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™





# METAL SPECIALTIES: A DYNAMIC DECADE OF GROWTH



## Top:

### TITLE AGENCY OF TEXAS

Sugar Land, TX

Architect: House Reh Assoc., Houston, TX  
 General Contractor: Metzger Const. Co., Houston, TX  
 Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
 Product: Berridge Cee-Lock Standing Seam & Berridge Vee-Panel Soffit  
 Finish: "Hemlock Green" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

## Upper Middle Left:

### NATIONS BANK/BANK OF AMERICA

The Woodlands, TX

Architect: Pearson English Architectural Design, Houston, TX  
 General Contractor: Mission Constructors, Inc., Houston, TX  
 Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
 Product: Berridge Cee-Lock Standing Seam  
 Finish: "Arden Green" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

## Lower Middle Left:

### RANDALL'S CENTER

Houston, TX

Architect: Heights Venture., Houston, TX  
 General Contractor: Tribble & Stevens, Houston, TX  
 Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
 Product: Berridge Bermuda Roof Panel  
 Finish: "Colonial Red" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

## Bottom:

### LOWE'S

Texas City, TX

Architect: D.P.F. Architect, Mobile, AL  
 General Contractor: McWhorter & Co., Anniston, AL  
 Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
 Product: Berridge Cee-Lock Standing Seam  
 Finish: "Lowe's Blue" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™







**Top (two photos):**  
**THE CENTRE AT POST OAK**  
Houston, Texas

Architect: O'Brien Dietz & Associates, Inc., Dallas, TX  
General Contractor: E.E. Reed Construction Company, Houston, TX  
Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
Products: Berridge Cee-Lock Standing Seam Roof  
Finish: "Hemlock Green" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

**Left Middle (two photos):**  
**HOUSTON METRO WEST**  
Houston, Texas

Architect: Brown & Root Development and Gannett Fleming Transportation Engineers, Houston, TX  
General Contractor: Cahaba Construction Co., Houston, TX  
Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
Products: Berridge Zee-Lock Standing Seam Roof & Curved Tee-Panel  
Finish: "Parchment White" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

**Right Middle:**  
**IHOP - International House of Pancakes**  
Houston, Texas

Architect: KSAA & DI Architecture & Design, Inc.  
General Contractor: Landmark General Contractor, Southlake, TX  
Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
Products: Berridge Cee-Lock Standing Seam Roof & Curved Tee-Panel  
Finish: "Cayman Blue" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™

**Left Bottom:**  
**THE BRANDT RESIDENCE**  
Houston, Texas

Architect: David Foster, AIA, Houston, TX  
General Contractor: D. Foster, Houston, TX  
Roofing Contractor: Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
Products: Berridge Spanish Tile Roof System  
Finish: "Teal Green" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™



## ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF GREATER HOUSTON

Sugar Land, Texas

**Architect:** Muhammad A. Siddiqui Architect, Houston, Tx  
**General Contractor:** Beckford Construction, Inc., Houston, TX  
**Roofing Contractor:** Metal Specialties, Houston, TX  
**Products:** Berridge Compound Curved Tee-Panel Standing Seam Roof  
**Finish:** "Copper-Cote™" Kynar 500® or Hylar 5000™



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