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COLLEGIATE INVENTORS COMPETITION® CONTINUES TO ACCEPT STUDENT ENTRIES

Entries accepted until May 16; will be considered for cash prizes

Akron, OH (April 23, 2008)—The Collegiate Inventors Competition, a program of the National Inventors Hall of Fame Foundation, is continuing to accept student entries for its 2008 competition.

The Collegiate Inventors Competition is designed to recognize and honor student innovators at the graduate and undergraduate levels. Through May 16, 2008, students are encouraged to submit information about their innovative projects, making them eligible for the \$25,000 grand prize, the \$15,000 graduate prize, or the \$15,000 undergraduate prize. Winners will be announced at a special awards ceremony in the fall.

Entries are judged on originality of the idea, process or technology, and their potential value and usefulness to society. Competition judges will select 10-12 finalists who will receive an all-expense paid trip to the final judging and awards ceremony, and each finalist or team will receive a \$2,000 cash prize.

National Inventors Hall of Fame Inductees participate in the final round of judging, and past judges have included individuals such as Don Keck, inventor of optical fiber for communications; George Smith, inventor of the charge-couple device; and James West, inventor of the electret microphone. The Competition has been honoring students for work in solving engineering and scientific challenges since 1990.

In 2007, Ian Cheong of Johns Hopkins University was selected as the Grand Prize Winner for his invention of a novel way to target cancerous cells. The Graduate Prize Winner was John Dolan of the University of California, San Francisco for his Dolognawmeter, an instrument that measures orofacial pain in animals used in the testing of painkillers, and the Undergraduate Prize Winners were Corey Centen and Nilesh Patel of McMaster University for their CPRGlove, a wearable CPR training, testing, and assist device.

Entry forms and more information on the program are available at www.invent.org/collegiate.

The not-for-profit National Inventors Hall of Fame Foundation is the premier organization in America dedicated to honoring and fostering creativity and invention. Founded in 1973 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the National Council of Intellectual Property Law Associations, the Hall's permanent home is Akron, Ohio, where the inventors in the Hall are

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honored and from where it administers its national programs which include the Camp Invention[®] and Club Invention[®] programs, Invent Now[®] initiatives, and the Collegiate Inventors Competition[®]. For more information, visit www.invent.org.

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