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MCU Challenge Winners Announced Three People Win Apple iPads

San Ramon, CA – March 1, 2011 – SchmartBoard, a company that makes prototyping electronic circuits easier, has announced the winners of their 2010 MCU (Microcontroller Unit) Challenge. The contest, which began the first week of July 2010, and ended at the end of 2010, challenged entrants to create circuits utilizing one of three SchmartBoard MCU Development Boards.

The challenge was separated into segments for a SchmartBoard for Microchip, Parallax and Texas Instruments MCUs. The first place winner of each segment won an Apple iPad. Other prizes were awarded to all entrants.

The top prizes are as follows:

Microchip MCU Segment

First Place and winner of an Apple iPad is **Matt Bomicino** with the “Residential LED RGB Lighting System”

Second Place and winner of a Cue Radio Model r1 is **Dave Wickliff and Nate Wickliff** with the “Game Touch”

Third Place and winner of a MPLAB ICD3 In-Circuit Debugger is **Paul Pankratz** with the “Tele-Operated Alarm Monitoring Interface”

Honorable Mention and winner of a MPLAB Starter Kit for PIC18F MCU is **Alan Marconnett** with the “Liko Sonar”

Parallax MCU Segment

First Place and winner of an Apple iPad is **Dave Dorhout** with the “Prospero”

Second Place and winner of a Parallax Stingray Robot Kit is **Corbin Adkins** with the “Time Clock”

Third Place and winner of a Parallax PropScope – USB Oscilloscope is **Corbin Adkins** with the “Touchscreen Clock”

Honorable Mentions and winners of a Elenco Snap Circuit Deluxe Kit are **Dave Dorhout** with the “HexWalker” and **Dave Jenson** with the “PropLoader”

Texas Instruments MCU Segment

First Place and winner of an Apple iPad is **Bob Morris** with the “Pool Thermometer”

Second Place and winners of eZ430 Chronos Sports Watch Dev Kits are **Shobhit Kukreti** with the “Gas Monitor”, **Todd and Sofia Krein** with the “Scene Controller for A Christmas Tableau” and **Matt Bommicino** with the “Griddle Based Soldering System”

Third Place and winners of a Texas Instruments Programming tool of their choice are **Clint Furrer** with the “Safety Light” and **Donald Zeims** with the “LED VU meter”

All entrants who submitted a project won a prize worth a minimum of \$50. The projects can be seen at http://www.schmartboard.com/index.asp?page=mcu_2010_results

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SchmartBoard™ is committed to helping engineers, students and hobbyists develop electronic circuits faster, easier, and less expensively than previously possible. SchmartBoard's patented SchmartBoard's "EZ" Technology makes hand soldering of surface mount components fast and flawless and are utilized by engineers, education and hobbyists for simple to complex electronic circuit design work.

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