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## **Synergis Engineering Design Solutions' Jim Swain Hits the Top 10 in Top DAUG Contest for Second Straight Year**

*More than 25 years of knowledge, skill, dedication and enthusiasm helps Swain forge his way into an elite group of professionals*

**Quakertown, PA, January 8, 2008** — Synergis® Engineering Design Solutions, a division of Synergis Technologies, Inc., today announced that Jim Swain, a Synergis Solutions Engineer with more than 25 years of CAD experience, was named one of the top 10 finalists in AUGI's annual AutoCAD "Top DAUG" competition, sponsored by AUGI and Hewlett Packard. Competing against other Autodesk software experts from around the world, Swain earned himself one of the ten highest scores on the two-part test and secured his top-ten ranking for the second straight year in a row.

"It's rare to see the kind of dedication and enthusiasm Jim Swain has for improving his knowledge of design software. He is an expert—a CAD guru—and as recipients of his training seminars, test drives, tutorials, speaking engagements and industry articles, our customers reap the benefits of his incredible skill," said Kristen Tomasic, vice president, Synergis Engineering Design Solutions. "Though we are not surprised by his top ranking, we couldn't be more delighted to see Jim, such a deserving professional, earn this impressive industry award."

With both a bachelor of science and a master of science in Mechanical Engineering from Lehigh University, Swain has contributed his knowledge and talent to Synergis customers since 1997. He is a long-time certified Inventor Expert, having been among the first group of experts to take and pass the Autodesk Inventor Certified Expert exam in 2003. Prior to joining Synergis, Swain worked in the consumer

electronics and automotive industries as a design engineer, a test engineer, and a CAD administrator. In addition to the regular classes he teaches at Synergis, Swain has taught design at the college level, and presented training sessions at several Autodesk University conferences, where the most talented professionals come together around the subject of design.

### **About Synergis Engineering Design Solutions**

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