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### Minnesota Cup announces six division winners

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And then there were six.

Organizers of the Minnesota Cup, an annual statewide entrepreneurs' contest, late Thursday named six division winners for their 2009 competition. They are:

**General Division:** Drazil Juice, which has created a juice for kids that blends 100 percent fruit juice with caffeine herbal tea, a natural source of antioxidants.

**High Tech Division:** Alvenda, which has created a commerce-enabled advertising network.

**Clean and Green Division:** Packet Power, which offers hardware, software and services to help consumers be smart about electric power consumption.

**BioScience Division:** Pursuit Vascular, Inc., which is developing a unique disposable device to reduce hemodialysis catheter-related infections.

**Social Entrepreneur Division:** Rural Renewable Energy Alliance, whose goals include helping low-income families save money while also reducing carbon and other greenhouse gas emissions.

**Student Division:** ManCave Worldwide, which provides products ranging from bottle openers to beer mugs to grilling instructions.

The statewide contest is designed to seek out, support, celebrate and promote Minnesota's newest and most innovative business ideas.

The 2009 competition began with more than 1,000 applicants spanning six categories.

The six division winners will compete for the grand prize Sept. 10 at the McNamara Alumni Center at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. The event is scheduled to start at 5 p.m. This year's competition will award more than \$130,000 in prizes to winners, as well as consulting services from leaders in finance, accounting, legal and management support services.

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