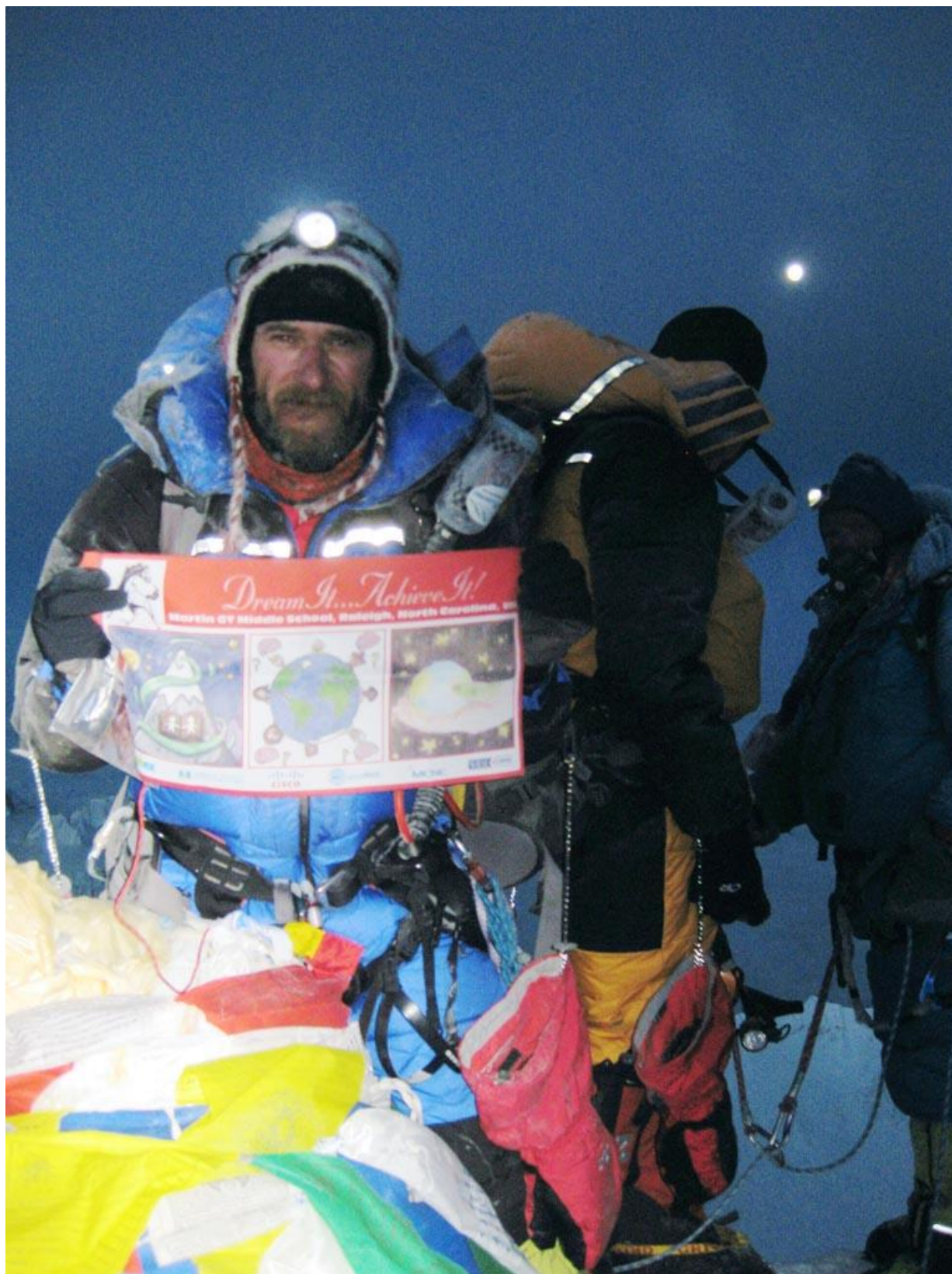


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Ciprian "Chip" Popoviciu stands atop Mount Everest holding the flag designed for this expedition by the Martin GT Magnet Middle School students. Spread out on the snow in front of him are colorful Buddhist prayer flags offered by climbers in thanks for reaching the summit. Behind Chip is his climbing partner Vance Cook and Pemba Sherpa. Climbers reached the summit before sunrise hence they are still using their headlamps.



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