



Inventors Council of Central Florida

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In observance with National Inventor's Month the Inventors Council of Central Florida and Orange County Public Library are sponsoring an Inventors Fair on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011 at the Orange County Main Library, 101 E. Central Blvd. The Fair begins at 12:00 noon and runs until 4:00 PM. Channel 6 News Anchor, Lauren Rowe, will be the Keynote speaker.

Inventors are the life blood of our economy. Without new ideas progress would stagnate. Many inventors get their start when they are laid off their regular job and go on to found national companies. Others provide the ideas necessary to keep manufacturing plants producing and profitable. Inventors should be the real American Idols.

The purpose of the Fair is to help inventors gain public exposure for their inventions and to help inventors and would be inventors move their ideas to products. Anyone interested in new products and their development and marketing would benefit from attending this event. The Inventors Fair is free for both exhibitors and attendees. Exhibitors will include inventors and companies that provide services for inventors.

The Inventors Council of Central Florida (ICCF) was founded in 1974 and has had members ranging in age from 8 to 101. Some have successful products, some have patents and others simply have ideas. Our members' inventions include innovations in automotive, laser, robotics, energy, education, housing construction, and medical products, as well as consumer products which homeowners use every day. ICCF provides a forum to share knowledge and experience and to help our membership get from idea to market. More information about what we offer can be found at our web site – www.InventorsCouncilCentralFla.us.

Presentations will include:

1. Keynote Speaker – Lauren Rowe, WKMG TV 6 News Anchor
2. US Patent and Trademark Library – Closer than you think – Dr. Jason Martin, UCF
3. Coupling Academic Research to the Innovation Economy – Dr. M. J Soileau, UCF
4. Hatched an Idea? Let Us Incubate It – Jim Bowie, UCF Business Incubator Program
5. How to write Patent Claims - Paul Royal, BSME, J.D., Patent Agent and former Patent Examiner
6. Online Resources for Inventors - Mark Tellam, Florida Manufacturing Extension Partnership

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There are a number of resources around Central Florida to support innovation. These include:

- The UCF Office of Research & Commercialization, <http://www.research.ucf.edu/>, Dr. Tom O'Neal, Assoc. VP Research & Commercialization, 407-823-3778.
- UCF Patent and Trademark Depository Library, <http://library.ucf.edu/GovDocs/PatentsTrademarks/>, Hal Mendelsohn, 407-823-3604.
- UCF Business Incubator, <http://www.incubator.ucf.edu/>, Carol Ann Dykes 407-207-7426.
- The National Entrepreneur Center located in Fashion Square Mall is a great help to those who are pursuing new business endeavors. <http://www.nationalec.org/>, Jerry Ross, Executive Director, 407-420-4848.