

**INVENTOR'S UPDATE**

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[www.ckic.org/howtojoin.html](http://www.ckic.org/howtojoin.html)

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[www.ckic.org/links.html](http://www.ckic.org/links.html)

**- Invent, Baby, Invent! -**  
**Find out what we mean on the latest CKIC Inventors Blog:**  
**[www.ckic.org/inventorblog.html](http://www.ckic.org/inventorblog.html)**

**Open Meeting on August 4th: Luke Murray and Brian Raney with Awesome Inc**

**JOIN US AT THE CENTRAL KENTUCKY INVENTORS COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, August 4th at 6:30p.m.:**

*Want to Know What All the "Awesome" Buzz is About in Downtown Lexington? Who is Connecting with Creative Groups Like the CKIC??*

Find Out at the Next CKIC Open Meeting As We Hear From:



Luke Murray and Brian Raney with **AWESOME INC**

Awesome Inc. exists to establish, grow, and connect the hi-tech, creative, and entrepreneurial communities in Lexington, KY.



They are a hi-tech lab, a creative studio space, a co-working space for entrepreneurs, and a venue to host meetings and events for these communities.

**As a Bonus: They will also be speaking to us about the upcoming "Invention Saturday" (planned for August 29nd at Awesome)**

**When:** Tuesday, August 4th, 2009  
**Where:** Bluegrass Area Development Center, 699 Perimeter Drive, Lexington KY  
**Time:** Doors open for networking at 6:30pm, Meeting begins at 7:00pm

Miss This Meeting - Miss An Opportunity!



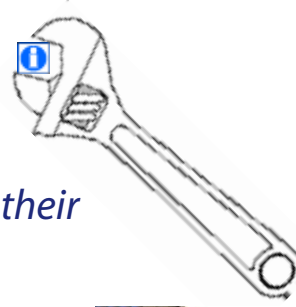
**August 11th: Inventor's Workshop (for CKIC Members Only!)**

**Join Us For Our Monthly, Members-Only - Inventors Workshop**



Hosted by CKIC President Emeritus **DON WEST**

- This workshop is designed to help the inventor move from the idea stage through the invention process, by allowing for inventors to discuss and learn from constructive information concerning their ideas in a free and unencumbered, legally binding format.



**This Meeting is Open to CKIC Members Only**

Not a Member? Come and join us: Membership is only \$40/yr  
Where? Bluegrass Development Center, 699 Perimeter Drive.  
Call 859-201-1311 Or Contact us at [info@ckic.org](mailto:info@ckic.org).



**Do you have a great idea for an invention? Find out what you can do!**

**October 13th: CKIC's 5th Annual Inventors Conference: "A Climate of Opportunity"**

**Announcing the CKIC Inventors Conference '09:**

***"A Climate of Opportunity"***

*Tuesday, October 13th, 2009*  
*At the Central Public Library Downtown*



- Inventors and Inventor Support Service Providers from Kentucky and surrounding areas that would like to exhibit are welcome to apply.
- Some exhibitors will be chosen to participate in a live TV news program prior to the conference.

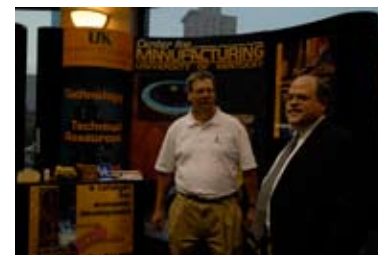
Inventors and Service Providers will be provided with table space to set up a display. Special floor space and some other requirements can be accommodated upon request.

**Hurry - Space is limited and usually fills up fast. There is no cost for exhibiting at this event.**

**This Year's Big Event Will Be Held:**

**When:** Tuesday, October 13th, 2009  
**Where:** Lexington Public Library, 140 East Main St Lexington KY  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**To Exhibit -** download the Application Forms from our website:  
**[www.ckic.org/news.html](http://www.ckic.org/news.html)**



**Climate of Opportunity Challenge: The Lowly Grocery Bag**

This year's theme for the CKIC Annual Inventors Conference is "A Climate of Opportunity". In spite of all the negative news over the past year about the "poor economic climate", we here at the CKIC know that innovation does not dry up in a down economy, but rather has the potential to become an opportunity to turn adversity into an advantage. As a matter of fact, as inventors we are problem solvers, ergo the more problems to solve, the more opportunities for innovation!



So in keeping with our theme, each month we are featuring problems that are out there just begging to be solved by the next generation of innovators. This month's problem is a seemingly simple one: those plastic grocery bags you see everywhere, blowing in the wind, caught in trees and most likely stuffed away in your car or garage. While these are a bane to environmentalists, and many attempts have been made to replace them, they still remain with us in large quantities. Our challenge for you, the inventor, is to find ways to turn this aftermarket "nuisance" into something valuable.



Good Luck!



**Watch for our next featured Opportunity Challenge Problem that we will announce at our next CKIC Open Meeting!**



**Experience the Valuable Instruction, Motivation and Power of Connections at the CKIC !**

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