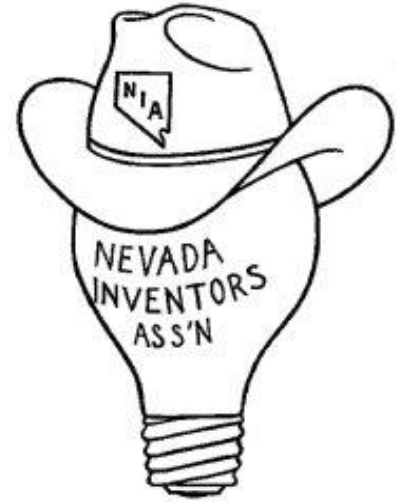


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Announcements & Events:

April 22: EARTH DAY—Great time to file a 'green' patent!

APRIL 25, 2009

GUEST SPEAKER: TIM BRISSON, PATENT ATTORNEY

“I’m an inventor. I became interested in long-term trends because an invention has to make sense in the world in which it is finished, not the world in which it is started.”

.....Ray Kurzweil (Inventor, Futurist, 1948--)

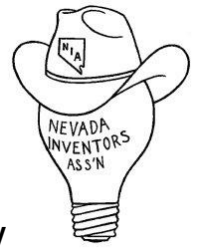
“Name the greatest of all inventors. Accident.”

.....Mark Twain (American Author, Humorist, 1835-1910)

SPRING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.....

BRING AN INVENTIVE FRIEND

TO THE APRIL MEETING!!!



February 28, 2009

9:06 Call to Order

Announcement made that Gary Avinsino has passed away. Last Meetings minutes were approved. Treasurer reports that we have \$7139.77 in the bank.

Announcement about Inventor's & Entrepreneur's workshop, March 14th at UNR. They are offering NIA members a \$50 special price if you sign up prior to March 6.

9:32 Networking Break

9:50 Don Evans, Owner of Evco Plastics made a presentation about his products and talked about creating prototypes, costs, and marketing of those products.

10:53 Break

11:05 Sharon presented an "idea log" that is available from writing.com. She also talked about the "Inventor's Journal", "Inventor's Master Plan", and "Inventors Resource Guide" books that are sold by the NIA club.

Jill presented "Amazing Mold Putty" which can be used to create prototypes. She also presented "Metal Clay" that can be used to make metal prototypes. They are available at Michaels and other craft stores. Another prototype creation product was discussed using a re-formable plastic; www.p.com.

Deiter announced the "Gathering Genius Competition" May 10-15 for high school students. This competition is currently looking for judges and you can go to their website www.ISEFNevada.com for more information.

Don Costar offered to do a seminar to teach people how to do patent searches and will be the guest speaker in March

11:58 Meeting adjourned.

This Month's Agenda March 28, 2009 Conference Rm. Elks BPOE #597 Reno NV

9:00 AM Call to Order—Roll Call

9AM - 9:15AM

- Association Business; Determination of Quorum & Approval of Agenda

- Review & Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Secretary & Treasurers Report

- Announcements

9:15AM - 9:30 AM Members & Visitors Intros

9:30 AM – 9:50 AM Break & Networking

9:50 AM – 10:10 AM Association Meeting, Q&A;


10:10 AM – 11:10 AM Member Presentation Don Costar: Patent Searching and Trademarks Discussion, Questions www.doncostar.com

11:10 AM to 11:30 AM Break & Networking;

11:30 Association Meeting Wrap-Up; Q&A

12:00 Meeting Adjournment

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Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Phase I Solicitation Workshop

Register online at www.nsbdc.org/education/calendar

Meet with Federal Agency Representatives!
Wednesday, April 8th 8:00am – 12:15pm
Sparks – John Ascuaga's Nugget, Genoa Room



There is a registration fee of \$25. Pre-registration is required – Sign up TODAY!

The SBIR Program provides over \$2 billion annually to small businesses to research high risk innovations, and is limited to entrepreneurs or businesses developing innovative products and processes. Do you, and can you, qualify for these grants?

Agenda items include:

- 8:00 Registration
- 9:00 Brief overview of SBIR
- 9:15 EPA solicitation - specifics about topics and research topics
- 9:45 DOT solicitation - specifics about topics and research topics
- 10:15 Questions and Answers
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 One-on-one sessions begin with Dr. Gallup and Mr. Henebury
- 11:00 Success story – EPA/DOT awardee TBA
- 11:40 SBIR Proposal Writing tips
- 12:15 Wrap up and Adjourn

Entrepreneurs and small businesses are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn how to win grants under the Environmental Protection Agency's Small Business Innovation Research programs at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the US Department of Transportation (DOT). Meet with James Gallup, SBIR manager for EPA and Joseph Henebury, SBIR Manager at DOT, to find out about their technology needs and funding opportunities. The workshop is being hosted by the Nevada Small Business Development Center at the University of Nevada, Reno.

EPA SBIR research topics include innovation in manufacturing, nanotechnology, green building, drinking water and water monitoring, water infrastructure, air pollution, biofuels and vehicle emissions reduction, waste management and monitoring, and homeland security. DOT needs include technologies supporting the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Railroad Administration. **You are encouraged to contact Dr. Grupe to find out if this program is a good fit for you and to schedule a ten minute session to visit one-on-one with Dr. Gallup and/or Mr. Henebury about your research idea (775-813-7407 or fritz@unr.edu).**



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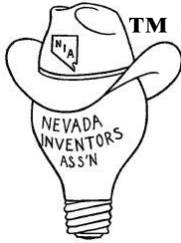
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