

# Invent-a-Palooza

a day of education and fun for  
inventors, entrepreneurs and families

Saturday, October 2, 2010

10 am-4 pm



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# Program Guide and Presenters' Biographies

## 10:15 am Auditorium: You Have an Idea, What's Next?

**Louis Foreman** is founder and Chief Executive of Enventys ([www.enventys.com](http://www.enventys.com)), an integrated product design and engineering firm with offices in Charlotte, NC and Taiwan. Louis graduated from The University of Illinois with a Bachelors of Science degree in Economics. His interest in starting businesses and developing innovative products began while a sophomore with his first company founded in his fraternity room. Over the past 20 years Louis has created 9 successful start-ups and has been directly responsible for the creation of over 20 others. A prolific inventor, he holds 10 registered US Patents, and his firm is responsible for the development and filing of well over 4,000 more.



In addition to being an inventor, Louis is also committed to inspiring others to be innovative. Louis is the creator of the Emmy® Award winning PBS TV show, *Everyday Edisons* and serves as both executive producer and lead judge. The show is in its third season and appears locally on Western Reserve Public Media, WNEO/Youngstown and WEAO/Akron (formerly known as PBC Channels 45 & 49). In 2007, Louis became the publisher of *Inventors Digest* magazine, a 25 year old publication devoted to the topic of American Innovation. In 2009, his first book, *The Independent Inventor's Handbook*, was published by Workman Publishing.

## 12:30 pm Auditorium: Overview of Patents, Trademarks, and



**Copyright Michael Hydorn** joined the USPTO in 1991 as a chemical & biotech patent examiner working in Group 120 - Organic Chemistry. He primarily examined new heterocyclic medicinals and their related biotechnology. In 1995 he became affiliated with the Patent and Trademark Depository Library Program (PTDLP), and has received numerous accolades in his tenure with PTDLP including DOC Bronze Medal Award and Vice Presidential Reinvention Awards.

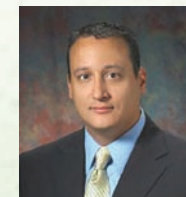
As an analyst, his current efforts include development of enhanced delivery of Intellectual Property services and products centered on USPTO services and products tailored to the needs of each PTDL. Additional efforts include developing new relationships in regional communities surrounding each PTDL to assist customers in getting their ideas to the marketplace.

Dr. Prof. Hydorn also holds the evening-hours post of Adjunct Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry Instructor at Germanna Community College in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

## 1:30 pm Auditorium: Intellectual Property as a Business Tool

**Dominic Frisina** has been involved in innovation for nearly fifteen years combined as a scientist and attorney. Spanning several sectors of industry, his technical and legal expertise includes small molecule drug candidates, fine chemicals, biomaterials, polymers,

robotics, semiconductors, and biotechnology. He has worked as a chemist in the combinatorial drug discovery industry, where he developed and patented parallel batch reactor technology. He also worked in combinatorial instrument research and related chemical applications. Mr. Frisina has significant hands-on scientific experience with photovoltaic, fuel cell, and materials technologies, and has drafted and prosecuted patent cases in each of these areas, as well as numerous others. Additionally, Mr. Frisina is a volunteer counselor for the Akron chapter of SCORE.



Counsellor Frisina holds a Master of Arts in chemistry from Johns Hopkins University and a Juris Doctorate from the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville.

## 3:15 pm Auditorium: Smart Questions to Ask Invention Promotion Firms Michael Hydorn

## 4 pm Atrium: Celebrate 15 Years as a Patent & Trademark Depository Library

Akron-Summit County Public Library's Science & Technology staff invites you to share a slice of cake as we celebrate your inventing success as well as our fifteenth year as a United States Patent and Trademark Office depository library.



## All day: Lobby, Exhibit and Tables.

Be sure to spend some time at the Exhibitors' tables in the Library Auditorium Lobby area.

## All day: First Floor Display Cases, Inventive Summit County

Akron-Summit County Public Library Special Collections Division and The Summit County Historical Society, with some assistance of the Science & Technology Division have created a showcase of inventors in Summit County and their patents, along with some great book suggestions to get you inventing as well.

## Just for Kids

### 11 am Children's Library: Story Time

Akron-Summit County Public Library's Children's Librarians present a Story Time with stories, songs, activities, and crafts.

### 2 pm Meeting Room 2 and Lobby: Tower Power

Akron-Summit County Public Library's Children's Librarians invite creative builders of all ages to play with blocks of all sizes. Build the biggest tower you can – the ceilings the limit!