

Tennessee Inventors Association Meeting

Saturday, August 18, 2007

10 AM in the 2020 building in the Oak Ridge Industrial Park
Nonmembers are always welcome.

Forthcoming Meeting

The **Tennessee Inventors Association** will hold its monthly meeting on Saturday, August 18 at 10 AM. It will be held in Tech 2020 Building, Commerce Park, Oak Ridge

UPCOMING SPEAKER

Peter Brewer, a Memphis patent attorney who is a member of the TIA and a frequent speaker, will be speaking at the August meeting. Peter will be speaking about invention submission companies and the Tennessee laws that protect local inventors from fraudulent practices of some of those companies.

Peter Brewer is a member of the Tennessee Inventors Association and a patent attorney for the law firm of Baker Donelson in Memphis, Tennessee. The firm also maintains a Knoxville office. Not only does Peter draft and prosecute patent applications, he also assists his clients with licensing, patent portfolio evaluations, and litigation of patent infringement disputes. Peter is a frequent speaker and his presentations are always informative as well as entertaining.

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Past Meeting, Saturday, July 21, 2007

.TIA July 21, 2007, Meeting Notes, % **Tom Kulaga**, Recording Secretary.

Our planned speaker had to cancel. Bruce Chaffins apologized for not being able to make a presentation as he had hoped. Bruce is rescheduled to speak at the September TIA meeting, where he will discuss his rapid prototyper.

Although our scheduled speaker was unavailable, the July meeting was still very interesting.

Terry Brewster discussed "E. Joseph Cossman," who was a marketer who made money (millions!) from things like the Spud Gun. Cossman was a very successful entrepreneur and in 1963 he wrote a book about making million in mail order. For more information on

Cossman, check out the Internet. His web site <www.cossman.net> is devoted to marketing his program.

Gordon Campell passed around a book, *The Compete Idiot's Guide to Cashing in on your Inventions* by Richard C. Levy. 2002 edition. Gordon highly recommended the book. He said that it discussed all the things that inventors need to do to profit from their inventions and it was written in plain English. The list price is \$19.95, but it can be found for less on the Internet.

Igor Alexeff brought in a demonstration unit showing his plasma antenna invention. The unit included an FM receiver connected to a fluorescent light. Igor also had a portable FM transmitter playing some interesting music. The fluorescent light was the plasma antenna, and, when the light was on, the FM receiver picked up the music. When Igor switched off the light, the music stopped. The demonstration showed that the plasma antenna worked very well when it was turned on. When it is turned off, it disappears electrically, and cannot be detected by RADAR.

Igor said that he had been told that IT COULD NOT BE DONE! The demonstration unit Igor had built proved to be a wonderful device to show that, yes, it could be done, and done well.

Igor told the group that he had two demonstration units built. The second unit is at a Booz Allen demonstration facility outside Washington DC. Igor said that **Fred Dyer** built his prototypes, and that Fred would most likely be happy to help others if they needed to have electrical-type prototypes built.

Member News

Lockheed-Martin is interested in Igor Alexeff's plasma antenna. They sent two groups to Igor's lab, one several weeks ago, and a second group of three on Wednesday, August 8, 2007.

Igor will demonstrate the plasma antenna to the military in Albuquerque, NM, on August 22 and 23.

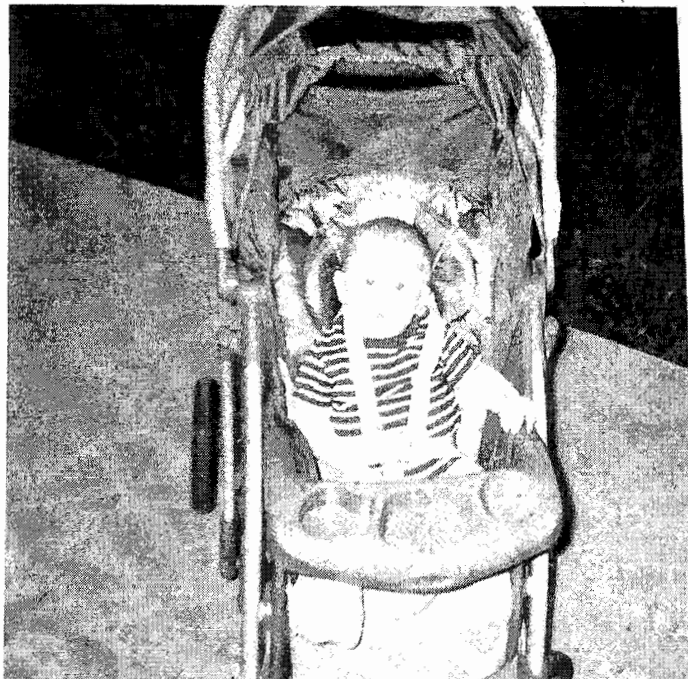
Igor just received notice that his patent on one form of the plasma antenna has been allowed.

Television Program

Don't miss the invention program, "**Everyday Edisons**", on Public television on Friday Nights at 10:30 PM. TIA sponsors this program.

Photos from the past meeting

The upper photo is of **Igor Alexeff** demonstrating his operating plasma antenna. The lower photo is of our youngest visitor, **Preston Lee Carney**. His parents are Daniel and Brenda Carney. Preston is just 4 months old.



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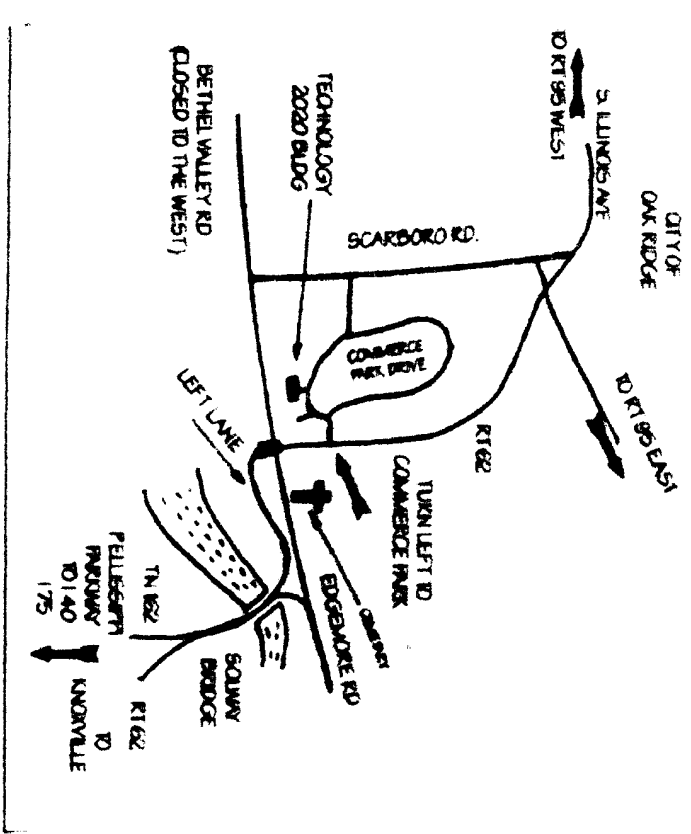
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