Meeting Handout 2/11/17

Get You Kid inventor On Jimmy Fallon's Show

It seems long time friend of the group Lu Anne Pruett's website

Nationalinnovationassociation.org has an inside track to get some lucky kid inventors on the Jimmy Fallon Show. I have included the flyer in your handout packet. All the directions and how to submit is in the flyer. I would suggest following the directions. This may seem like a no brainer but all too often inventors get inventive when it comes to submitting things. DON'T!

In general, directions are meant to be followed to the letter to make processing easier and do you know what happens to submissions that make the processors job harder? Should we say they never see the light of day?

Wana Go To Toronto?

There is a massive tradeshow in Toronto on May 16th to the 18th that reminds me of some of the ones that used to be in NYC and Orlando put out by the same people. They combine Manufacturing, Plastics, Automation, you name it. 5 Shows in all. Go here for more information http://bit.ly/2lsAEya

Or Maybe See Ya In Korea?

From what I understand from some of my friends "Down Under", Innovation is serious business in Korea. They have several contests and shows during the year that are highly recognized in that part of the world. However, they did not provide a link and navigating the main site is a little difficult but do-able. So I have included a flyer for their latest event in your packet.

After hearing our April speaker, you may find a trip to this beautiful country to take part in one of their shows might be a business expense. I don't know...I'm just saying, check it out.

And the Design Patent War Rages On

It seems like forever that Apple has been suing Samsung over infringement of their design patents. One of which is the use of rounded corners on their cell phones. When it first started patent attorneys used it to show just how valuable a design patent can be. Personally, I don't agree but that's neither here nor there.

For one thing, any molded part has to have rounded corners to be removed from the mold. Yes, they can be very minute but with a microscope you can see they are there.

The case has evolved into a major fight and now includes several design and utility patents as well as trademark / trade dress arguments. For those interested, here is the latest installment of "As The Patent World Churns" http://bit.ly/2kedkz1

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