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In Memory of ISSF Member Daniel J. Abramson, M.D.

Daniel J. Abramson, M.D. of Boca Raton, Florida, formerly of Chevy Chase, Maryland died on May 21, 2003. Well-known and recognized in the medical community for over 50 years, Dr. Abramson spent his entire life dedicated to nurturing and saving lives. As his career developed, he earned the respect and recognition of the medical community with his innovative surgical procedures and the invention of several revolutionary medical instruments. His medical practice in the Washington area included serving as the Senior Attending Surgeon at such formidable medical institutions as the Washington Hospital Center, Georgetown Hospital, George Washington University Hospital, and Children's Hospital.

Additionally, Dr. Abramson served as a civilian from 1952 until his retirement as Chief of Surgery at the world renowned Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington where in 1982 he was awarded the Presidential Civilian Meritorious Service Award by President Ronald Reagan for his contributions to the Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Beside his love for healing, Dr. Abramson was an avid golfer. He achieved the honor of winning his Indian Spring Country Club Champion Flight Golf Tournament three years running. As a member of Boca Del Mar Country Club in Boca Raton, he pursued his love of golf throughout his entire retirement. Dr. Dan, as his younger patients called him, will be remembered by everyone who had known him for his kindness and his dedication to preserving life.

His wife of 48 years, Betty Schloss Abramson, predeceased him in 1988 and he is survived by his daughter, Bonnie Thompson of Pompano Beach, FL, his son Daniel Abramson, Jr. of Jupiter, FL. He was also Pop-Pop to four grandchildren - Deborah Anne Strand, Peter Arnold Strand, III, Rebecca Jeanette Showalter and Taylor Grey Abramson. He was also the great-grandfather of Ryan Daniel Strand-Greenberg, Alexandra Nicole Trombly, Brandon Thomas Hand, Tyler Joseph Hand and Connor Jake Showalter. Services were held on May 23, 2003 and he was laid to rest at the Boca Mausoleum.

ISSF President, Abby Waters, said of Dr. Abramson, "He added class to our inventors society. He possessed strong credentials and a mild manner. I believe he was working on an invention at the time of his passing. Perhaps he will seek Bob and Betty White for assistance. I will miss seeing the Doc at our meetings."

Fantastic Floating Device, A Lifter

Jeff Cameron, a NASA subcontractor in Huntsville, Alabama noticed a twitching movement in capacitors that led him to the Thomas Townsend Brown's patents. Brown pumped a high voltage through a capacitor, producing a tiny propulsive force in one direction. He strapped a capacitor to the end of a lever, turned on the current, and the lever jumped to one side, like the arm on a metronome. This became the Biefeld-Brown effect.

About 70 years later, Cameron wanted something that would fly, to dramatically illustrate the Biefeld-Brown effect. He chose balsa wood for lightness and a three-sided shape for sturdiness. When he fired the high voltage through it, it jumped into the air, and the lifter was born. In June 2001, Cameron posted pictures of his setup online.



Special Interest Articles:

- Chambers of Commerce
- Licensing and Licensing Strategies
- Toy and Game Inventors Handbook

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To provide a forum that fosters creativity, freethinking and education that will help further our members' innovations.



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Tim Ventura learned about it, and turned lifters into a global phenomenon. Visit his web site, <http://www.AmericanAntigravity.com>, devoted to collecting flight videos and theorizing about lifters.

What is the lowdown on this antigravity behavior? Calculating the current flowing through the device, the number of ions it would create, and their total potential kinetic thrust, 7 millinewtons will lift the 2 grams of matter composing the device. Numerous tests demonstrate that there is no performance in a vacuum, therefore the antigravity aspect is misleading. However, there is plenty of room for invention refinement for use in air!

Chambers of Commerce

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Decrease Your Prototype Costs

Avoid remakes by spending more time on design and creating adequate drawings. Explain sizes and shapes. Provide three views with dimensions of each. Locate holes and other features clearly.

Combine tasks by working with a designer who combines the design with the machine program.

Understand processes by educating yourself on designing and manufacturing processes. Learn the distinctions between similar processes and be able to ask questions to keep overall costs down.

Plan quantities for material, setup and running costs. Setup costs are the greatest expense of time, resources and personnel.

Price the prototyper with regard to appropriateness of equipment, experience/skills of workers and availability.

Licensing and Licensing Strategies

As a licensing executive, **Glenn Lippman** has consulted to many companies such as Gates Rubber, Samsonite Corporation, W.L. Gore and Associates and Coors along with hundreds of individual clients with patents or just good ideas. He has managed the inventor hot line for nearly 10 years and is best known for authoring the Licensing Guide for Determination of Royalties.

Highlights of his comprehensive presentation at the ISSF General Meeting on Saturday, August 2nd included a do-it-yourself guide to licensing your own inventions. He encouraged meeting participants to design their own licensing program, and not rely on patent attorneys. "Patent attorneys' role is to protect, not exploit and licensing a patented invention is the purest form of exploitation," and he went on to say, "use an IP coach when you need assistance."

According to Mr. Lippman, there are five basic parts or ingredients of successful licensing. They include preparation, presentation, strategy, negotiation leading to a license, and royalty income. Preparation means that the inventor needs to assure that his or her invention is at least patent applied for – provisional or non provisional; and that it is clearly understood who owns the patent. Further preparation includes well defined claims and that although a patent attorney should write these claims, it is the responsibility of the inventor to define the claims, and the claims should be as broad as possible expanding into as many applied markets as possible.

In the presentation part of licensing, the inventor needs to create a "FACT Sheet" or simple flyer including key features and benefits of their patent, including marketing and manufacturing status. Mr. Lippman spent quite a bit of time on creating a prospect list and how to qualify good prospects to license your invention. Licensing strategy included type of license – exclusive, non-exclusive and limited use licensing. With limited use licensing, an inventor can exclusively license his or her patented invention to multiple groups.

Negotiating the licensing agreement should once again be the responsibility of the inventor. Mr. Lippman once again suggested that we "use" attorneys to assist in the language and compliance issues of the agreement, but not represent us in defining the terms and that the terms is strictly a business decision. Including attorneys in the negotiation will only create additional cost, and in many cases create impasses that could lead to no agreement.

Royalty strategy is based on patent valuation. He said that service providers such as his company and others can help an inventor define valuation, and that with valuation as it regards to an industry and prospective licensee, the royalty or commission on sales can be determined. Mr. Lippman's guide can be accessed by using any one of the various Internet search engines and typing "Glenn Lippman" and licensing.

In summary, Mr. Lippman told our group to first depend on ourselves in the licensing process, secondly to use coaches for assistance, and lastly to use a patent attorney when needed, but not to rely on an attorney to close a licensing prospect.

Glenn Lippman, MORE Advantage, Inc. glippman@moreadv.com ❖

Membership

The Inventors Society of South Florida membership application form is available online at <http://www.inventorssociety.net/ppform.pdf>.

Members are entitled to all that is offered by the ISSF: events, meetings, contests, prizes, awards, nominations, and networking. Members also benefit from a monthly newsletter, full of important information, tips, publications, internet sites and outside expositions.

Membership is the primary source of funds to the ISSF, without which, it is difficult if not impossible to hold meetings, send newsletters, hold special events, and maintain an Internet presence.

At the end of each General Meeting in Deerfield Beach, time permitting, a panel of experts will address questions pertaining to patenting, prototyping, and commercializing. This panel was formed to assist members in taking it to the next step in the inventing process. The panel may include:

Alvin Blum, Registered Patent Agent
John Fulton, Patent Attorney
Freddy Lee, Prototyping Expert
Bob Levy Product Designer
Howard and Paula Silken, Commercialization Experts ❖



Newsletter Submissions

If you have something you'd like to see in the newsletter, please discuss with or send it to Abby Waters. If it is something that has to be copied, please send the original or a high quality copy. If you need the original document returned, please note this in the submission package.

Please remember that the newsletter is black print only. Submissions that have color (especially over text, i.e. words in a colored box) may not be usable. Try to keep submissions simple and basic. ❖

ISSF Member Meetings

The General Meeting of the ISSF is at 1:30 pm on the **first** Saturday of each month at:

Ligi Tool & Engineering, Inc.
3220 SW 15th St
Deerfield Beach, FL 33442
877-523-6693
www.ligitool.com/contact.htm

From the Florida Turnpike Exit at Sample Rd, Exit 69; turn right on Sample Rd (East); left on Powerline Rd; and right on SW 15th St (pass the first stoplight on Powerline Rd, look for two cement towers and the **Enterprise Center** sign).

From I-95 Southbound Exit at SW 10th St, Exit 40; turn right on SW 10th St (West); left on SW 30th Ave; right on SW 15th St (look for the **Enterprise Center** sign).

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The General Meeting is located at
Ligi Tool

President's Corner



BRAVO! We managed to have the best and longest program ever. A huge thank you to our speaker **Glenn Lippman** of *More Advantage*. Glenn has a prestigious client list. He wrote the key publication on licensing and even did a stint at NASA. Glenn will be a new alliance of mine and I am totally impressed. (See page 3.)

I once again remind the group that we do not endorse any speakers or members, so use your judgement.

Tables are filling up for the August 9th inventors display at the *Broward Main Library*, and its FREE. First come, first served. If you need power cords, please bring them. I am in the process of booking a second program at the Boca Museum of Art for late September or early October.

Hats off to members **Doreen Zic** and **John Hock** who are on their way. Clients of mine as well as some of my other alliances they have received reorders on a feature on Deco Drive, and will be in the showcase in Las Vegas. New members **Don** and **Bianca Pucci**, also clients of mine and my affiliates, will be going to Las Vegas.

We are taking nominations for the *Jay Morton Innovation Award* for a member who has changed mankind through their invention. Email me at abbysideas@aol.com to nominate someone.

Keep truckin'....

Abby

ISSF President Identifies Award Nominees

Firstly, I wish to nominate the following people for the *Robert and Betty White Award*, and I hope the board will support these deserving individuals:

- **Alvin Blum** coordinated the entire Inventors' Day program for the ISSF. He arranged the LIGI move. He sits on our panel of experts. He offers extremely good advice and patenting services to our inventors. I have never heard of any unhappy customer.
- **John Fulton** manages our membership database. He handles my responsibilities when I am unavailable. He oversees web site and newsletter content. He sits on our panel of experts.

Secondly, I wish to nominate the **Silken Family** for the *Jay Morton Innovation Award*:

- Howard with his tapping device,
- His daughter for her helmet release for football players, and
- Paula, the inspiration to both of them, as well as the work they have done with education in the schools and with their book.

Thirdly, I wish to nominate **Cathy VerSchneider** for the *Special Services Award*, since our bylaws prevent non-members from receiving the *Robert and Betty White Award*. Cathy works tirelessly on our behalf with the newsletter and web site content, extracting email information, researching news items and making final changes. Occasionally, she handles the photography and reporting on ISSF events. She deserves recognition for enhancing our professional image.

Finally, I invite members to write the board in support of these nominees. ❖

The Power of Home Shopper's Television

Joy Mangano cleverly redesigned the humble floor mop that gets the credit for creating a "mop craze" a dozen years ago, enabling the kitchen-table entrepreneur to become a millionaire businesswoman with a company of her own. An avid boater, Mangano developed her first mops for the marine market -- a machine washable, self-wringing mop to make deck-swabbing chores easier. It was then adapted for home use.

Her remarkable success is also a direct result of the power of home-shopping television. Once she entered electronic retailing, her days of pounding the pavement were over. Some 22,000 products hit the HSN on-air marketplace last year during 24-hour-a-day live broadcasts, yielding annual sales of more than \$1.9 billion.

Although anyone can submit an application to have a product or invention featured on home-shopping television, screening is rigorous, and selling on camera is not as easy as it looks. Poor presentation brought few sales, so Mangano convinced management to let her go on air, mop in hand, and, well, clean up -- what the QVC hosts were not doing. "They tried it without me and it didn't work."

Mangano implored viewers to dial in and order "the last mop you'll ever have to buy." In 20 minutes, she sold 18,000 mops and her company had to work 24 hours a day to keep up with demand. The customer responds to somebody demonstrating and explaining what makes the product a value and Joy is clearly perceived as somebody (the customers) know and trust. HSN tracks consumer preferences by listening to what they say on the air, and by monitoring Internet message boards and conducting focus groups.

In 2002, Joy Mangano's product line -- which includes Miracle Clean natural cleaning products, Handy Hook Mirror, various small storage organizers and carry-alls and a clothing steamer -- pulled in some \$32 million in sales for HSN. Mangano never forgets that the product is king. It has to be a good product and has to solve a problem or need and it has to be at the right price. ❖

Thank You, Broward County Main Library

The Inventors Society of South Florida gives special thanks to **Eileen Fischschweiger**, Patent and Trademark Librarian and all staff members whose actions supported *National Inventors' Month* through the Inventors' Day Expo this year.

The library provided cloth covered tables on the 1st, 5th and 6th floors of the main library to accommodate local inventors who wanted to display their inventions/products for library visitors. The library receives a steady stream of visitors throughout its hours of operation. Providing free advertising for the event through its hosting role, the library gains more use of its facility and archives, and educates the public through inventors' presentations. The inventors gain through passive networking with library visitors.

The **Broward County Main Library** is a regional patent depository. The facility has many resources for the inventor at any stage of the process. The library offers a seven-step strategy for searching a new invention at a patent and trademark depository library (PTDL). Staff is available to assist in use of the library materials, but will not perform a patent search, nor offer advice, interpretation, or opinion regarding the patentability of an invention. Likewise, the library offers a guide to searching patents and trademarks on the Internet using the USPTO web site. Again, staff will assist only to help you to use library materials.

For questions and further information, please contact the Business, Law and Government Dept, Broward County Main Library, 100 S. Andrews Avenue, 5th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. Visit www.broward.org/bclblg.htm or call 954-357-7439. ❖

ISSF Speakers in Miami

When the ISSF offers a second speaker, it is at 1:00 pm on the **third** Saturday of each month at:

N. Miami Beach Public Library
1601 NE 164th St
North Miami Beach, FL

From I-95 Northbound: Exit at NW 167th St, Exit 17, turn right on NW 167th St (East); Pass 163rd Street Mall and turn left on NE 16th Ave one block to NE 164th St. The library is straight ahead through the stoplight.

From I-95 Southbound: Exit at Miami Gardens Dr (N.E. 183rd St); Straight through stoplight onto NE 6th Ave; left on NE 167th St (East); Pass 163rd Street Mall and turn left on NE 16 Ave one block to NE 164th St. The library is straight ahead through stoplight.

Contact: Bob Levy at 305-893-5989 or 305-205-2884 cell or email boblevy@bellsouth.net ❖



Big Idea Group

We're still seeking ideas for the Dremel Idea Hunt for how to expand the applications for their high-speed rotary tool. The most active, creative participants in the Hunt will receive a Dremel MultiPro Variable Speed Tool Kit. More importantly, the best ideas will be presented to Dremel for possible licensing agreements. Deadline for entries is **August 22, 2003**.

Entries can be mailed or faxed. Remember to submit a signed Entry Agreement with your ideas (one form will cover all your submissions). For more details, email InfoBig@BigIdeaGroup.net and request a Dremel Idea Hunt kit. Provide your residential mailing address, so we can mail you a packet. Write to:

Big Idea Group
814 Elm St., Ste. 300
Manchester, NH 03101
Fax: 603-641-5995

USPTO Update

The Office of Independent Inventor Programs has been replaced by the Inventor Assistance Office (IAO). There are experts who assist independent inventors in each Technology Center when the questions or problems call for assistance that exceeds the IAO offering.

The next Annual Independent Inventor Conference is in the works. The USPTO is completing the roster and finalizing plans for dates and exact location. ❖

Yankee Expo

The 9th Annual Yankee Invention Expo will be held Saturday and Sunday October 18-19, 2003.

Expo officials are asking for a count of the number of brochures each organization needs for members, colleagues & friends.

Read more about the Yankee Expo and reserve your booth at <http://yankeeinventionexpo.org/> ❖

UIA Executive Offices Moved

The Executive Offices of the United Inventors Association have officially moved to 519 Dry Brook Road, Waverly, NY 14892, Telephone 607-565-3696. ❖

Energy Grants Program

EISG Solicitation Notification (Energy Innovation Small Grants Program, a division of the California Energy Commission): The EISG Program has now posted its new Solicitation 03-02 on the web. The effective date of the posting is July 18, 2003 and has a proposal cutoff date of September 19, 2003. For additional details go to the EISG web site at www.energy.ca.gov/research/innovations. ❖

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- Make sure that every piece of your company literature and advertising has your web site address on it.
- Make sure employees and contacts know about your web site so they can refer customers and prospects to it.
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The Toy and Game Inventor's Handbook

Learn how to play the toy game from two of its most successful inventors.

Inventor **Richard C. Levy's** licensed products have generated more than \$1 billion in global retail sales. **Ronald O. Weingartner** has reviewed thousands of submissions and submitted hundreds of them.

Go behind the scenes of the \$30 billion toy industry for a vivid portrait of the people who create, pitch, license and commercialize products.

Based on more than 100 interviews, Levy and Weingartner will encourage, inspire and lead you, step by step, through the perils and pitfalls of presenting, licensing and bringing products to market.

The handbook is crammed full of first-hand, empirical, insider information gleaned from hours of interviews with the industry's most successful independent toy and game inventors, and its most knowledgeable and influential executives, leaders and observers.

The *Toy and Game Inventor's Handbook* (ISBN 1-59-257062-3) describes:

- The retail and corporate environments, including the forces of change within both.
- How to prepare proposals and prototypes.
- How to open doors and close deals.
- How to protect your intellectual property.
- How to save thousands of dollars in legal fees.
- How to negotiate deals and get the best terms.

Features include:

- Profiles more than 80 top professional inventors who generously share their advice and observations.
- A listing of 50 manufacturers that license products from inventors, and the key inventor contact at each.
- A license agreement annotated by four licensing agents.
- A contemporary, witty glossary comprised of over 500 words, phrases and definitions.
- A compendium of key trade shows, associations and important web sites.
- An entertaining selection of toy industry fun facts and trivia. ❖

Proctor & Gamble Hunt

In celebration of National Inventors Month, the UIA, Inventors' Digest, the Academy of Applied Science and the major sponsor, the Procter & Gamble Company, have kicked off ***The Hunt for the Next New Hot Consumer Product***. There are loads of prizes for the top finishers. Your new product will be reviewed by new product scouts. The entry fee is free and it is a win/win situation for all.

To enter, you must be a serious inventor. Your new product idea must be developed into a new product. It must be properly protected and you must have a finished product or prototype.

Entries will be accepted up until August 31, 2003. Thousands of dollars in prizes have been collected. The prize list will be officially announced on August 1, 2003, the start of National Inventors Month.

For details on how you can submit your new product, go to <http://www.uiausa.org/HuntEntryForm.htm>. If you would like to donate prizes to our finalists, go to <http://uiausa.com/hunt.htm> for your sponsorship donation form. ❖

Inventors' Day Expo

The Expo was a success for the inventors who presented their inventions/products at the Broward County Main Library. Eighteen inventors saw a steady stream of interested visitors.

There were packaged products, prototypes, touchable samples, demonstrations of use, posters explaining their products.

The board wishes to remind members that success depends on communicating interest in your product and being enthusiastic. The Broward County Main Library gave ISSF members the gift of a free Expo to a ready group of shoppers... people who look, examine, ask questions...and read.

Young people go home and tell friends what they saw. Grandparents, retired from business, tell their executive children or former business acquaintances. This is passive networking at its best. No \$1000 deposit for a product Expo here!

Visit www.inventorssociety.net/expo.htm to see what you missed on Saturday, August 9th at the Broward County Main Library. ❖

Emerging Tech Showcase

On Thursday, November 20, 2003 Enterprise Development Corporation (EDC), in conjunction with Champion-Level Sponsor Office Depot, will host the **Sixth Annual Emerging Technology Business Showcase (ETBS)** at the Westin Cypress Creek, Ft. Lauderdale.

ETBS will feature exhibitor presentations in conjunction with sponsor seminars for Florida science and technology-based businesses seeking strategic alliances, funding and other networking opportunities. Presenting companies represent some of the most promising new technologies in the region and are new to the investment community.

Benefits of participation come in the form of new customers, clients, strategic alliances and investment opportunities.

For more information and to register visit www.edc-tech.org or contact Chris Kennelly, Director of Programs at ckennelly@edc-tech.org ❖

Miami Library**August 16th*****Freddy Lee***Prototyping your
idea or invention**LIGI Tool****September 6th*****Cindy Zatzman***(Visit the ISSF web site
for details.)**We're on the Web!***See us at:***InventorsSociety.net**For any comments about the
content of this newsletter
email cever@ix.netcom.com**Toy and Game Inventor's Forum**

All inventors and entrepreneurs interested in meeting and potentially selling their product or service to the toy and game industry should plan to attend:

The Toy & Game Inventor's Forum (TGIF)

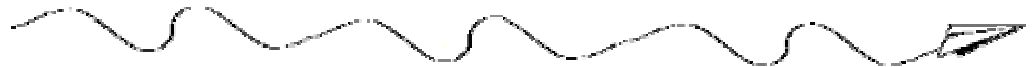
September 5-7, 2003

Rio All Suite Hotel & Casino

Las Vegas, NV

TGIF is the only event in the world where the public can meet, learn from and sell their ideas or inventions to the "who's who" of the toy and game industry. TGIF boasts a speaking faculty of over 50 key toy and entertainment executives from companies that include: Hasbro, Hasbro Games, Fisher-Price, Tomy, Disney, Toys R Us, Mattel, Pressman, Binney & Smith (Crayola) and many others.

This unique and educational event is designed to promote intra-industry relations, create new synergistic partnerships, and give inventors and entrepreneurs the opportunity to enter the toy and game arena.

For more information visit: www.tgifhome.com.**Sirenza Receives Patent for Amplifier**Sirenza Microdevices (www.sirenza.com), a leading designer and supplier of high-performance radio-frequency (RF) components for communications equipment manufacturers, today announced the recent award of U.S. Patent No. 6,590,455 entitled "Common-base amplifier with high input overload and/or tunable transimpedance."

This is Sirenza's fifth US patent awarded in the area of fiber optic amplifier ICs and discloses an approach for improving the performance and manufacturability of fiber optic receivers. ❖

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