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Please take a few moments to read the latest news from Columbia's Knowledge Economy. If you have knowledge economy news to share, we want to know. Send your comments and feedback to info@engenuitysc.com.

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Thanks to all who participated and supported the EngenuitySC Ignite! event on October 28th. And, a special thanks to our dynamic [speakers](#) and [sponsors](#) of the evening.

We look forward to organizing another energizing Ignite! event. We want to know what you thought of this year and get your ideas for next year. Please take a moment to fill out our [EVENT SURVEY](#) and tell us what you thought. All who complete the survey will be entered to win

Global Entrepreneurship Week - Get Involved!

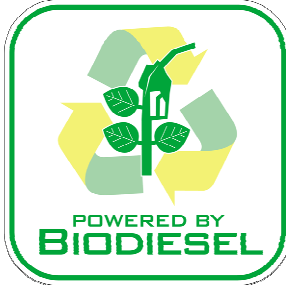


What do Snoop Dogg, Prince Charles and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton have in common? They are just a few of the VIPs and world leaders involved in Global Entrepreneurship Week.

four tickets to Ignite 2010.

Also, don't forget to view and download the [event pictures!](#)

Green Start-Ups in the Midlands: Meet Midlands Biofuels



Midlands Biofuels is working to fuel South Carolina's future by producing biodiesel using Waste Vegetable Oils (WVO) generated from the food services industry.

This local green start-up was formed in September 2008 and is a locally owned and operated recycling company. The founders began as home brewers and decided to develop their passion for alternative fuel into a sustainable recycling business.

In addition to converting used waste oil into biodiesel, Midlands Biofuels is also working with area schools to educate the public about recycling and alternative fuels.

Learn more about Midlands Biofuels at midlandsbiofuels.com

CoEE Endowed Chairs to Form "Brain Trust" to Steer the Knowledge Economy

The state Centers of Economic Excellence (CoEE) Program has produced another tool to help strengthen the state's economy and create high-paying jobs. The [22 renowned scientists](#) recruited to South Carolina through the program will establish a CoEE Council of Chairs. Through this Council, the chairs will serve as a "brain trust" by providing advice and leadership for the state that will help reshape our economy to one partially based on scientific achievement and knowledge creation, allowing us to better compete in the global economy.



From November 16-22, millions of people around the world will join a growing movement of entrepreneurial people, to generate new ideas and to seek better ways of doing things. The week is comprised of tens of thousands of activities to inspire, connect, mentor and engage future innovators.

Interested in getting involved and participating? Check out unleashingideas.org and join the global movement. Get connected locally by joining the [Midlands Entrepreneurial Resource Network](#).

Think big. Make your mark. Share your vision for our region's entrepreneurial ecosystem.

And the New Ideas SC Winner is...



Congratulations to Henry Muhler May, III! Henry won the New Ideas SC Contest with his patent pending integral attachment system for windows and exterior doors called the "Storm Stud," which is an affordable solution for hurricane or wind protection.

Three local companies from the [USC Columbia Technology Incubator](#) - [Alala](#), [Quintesocial](#), and [Nugool](#) - also took home prizes for their innovative business ideas in the categories of Bio-Science, IT/Software, and Engineering, respectively.

See all the winners at newideassc.com!

Join Us At Science Cafe on December 8th!

Would you like to know how the novel technology in biology and nanoscience will affect your life?



Join us at the [Capital City Club](#) on December 8th from 6-7:30pm for a discussion with [Dr. Bob Best](#) about the latest innovations in nanobiotechnology and how these innovations *can* and *will* impact your life.

Learn more about the CoEE Program [here](#).

Click [HERE](#) for more details and to RSVP!

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