Welcome New Member!

You might be asking what are the next steps once you've signed up through PayPal? We have an on-boarding process that looks like this:

Bill Plemmons, our Sergeant at Arms, is in charge of getting new people on board. Bill will issue a RFID Key Card to the EDC building and a Blue RFID Fob for access to 131 and 234. There is a $10 key deposit due when you get your keys and refunded when you turn them in. Inventor Forge MakerSpace is open 24/7/365 for members.

Bill will also have you fill out some forms and read our Guidelines and our Code of Conduct policy forms. The Shop Guidelines and Code of Conduct PDFs are available on the About > Safety page of the website for later review as well. Bill will also take your photo for our Database.

Before you can use our power tools and equipment you will need to be trained by the Tool Champion for the equipment you are interested in using. A PDF document of Tools and who is trained is available on the Members Only page of the website. A list of the Tool Champions is also available on the Members Only page of the website. Be sure to get the password to the Members Only area from Bill or any Board Member.

We encourage all members to be on Slack which is the way we communicate internally. There is a Slack channel for every interest so you can join any channel that interests you. Ask Bill, Paul Berglund or Luke Offner for an invitation to Slack. Our Slack community is one of our most valuable assets. Nearly any question can be answered, often within minutes.

Bill Plemmons can be reached by email at physical3d@gmail.com or @bplemmons on Slack. In Bill's absence Vice Chairman Paul Berglund can fill in, issue keys, invite to Slack etc. Paul is also the keeper of the database and can update the website. If you make something cool and have photos Paul can put them on the About > Projects page of the website. Paul can be reached at pberglund@inventorforgemakerspace.org or @pberglund on Slack.

We are also always looking for volunteers to help with the various tasks that keep the MakerSpace running. Much of the infrastructure of IFMS has been member built, designed or inspired. Don't be shy about talking to a board member about how you can help out. We are an all volunteer organization. Treasurer Ed Langenderfer runs the volunteer task program. You can contact Ed at edlangenderfers@netscape.net or @derfer1 on Slack.

Happy Making and be excellent to each other.