

Circle of Janus, Inc. PO Box 68514 Indianapolis, IN 46268



Dear Sir/Madam:

The Circle of Janus is a local non-profit club that works to promote literacy within our local communities. One of the ways we do this is by sponsoring InConJunction, an annual science fiction/fantasy convention. Many of our guests are well known authors, as well as local and hopeful authors. Each year we hold a charity auction to benefit Indy Reads and another charity chosen by the Convention Chair. Indy Reads is a not-for-profit organization that relies on volunteers to provide basic literacy tutoring to illiterate and semi-literate adults. Literacy issues are more common than many people are aware and Indy Reads mission is to promote and improve the literacy of adults and families in Central Indiana. You can learn more about them on their website www.indyreads.org.

This year our second charity is the <u>Central Indiana Section of the Society of Women Engineers</u> (SWE-CI). The Society of Women Engineers (SWE) is a non-profit educational and service organization and is the driving force that establishes engineering as a highly desirable career aspiration for women. The SWE empowers women to succeed and advance in those aspirations and receive the recognition and credit for their life-changing contributions and achievements as engineers and leaders. We encourage all potential donors to find more information about this organization via their website at <u>www.swe-ci.org</u>.

My hope is you would be willing to donate an item or two for the charity auction. Rest assured that all items donated are auctioned off and 100% of the proceeds are distributed to the selected charities.

We are interested in a wide variety of items for auction. Special interest is, of course, any item related to science-fiction or fantasy novels, movies, comics, costuming, etc. We have however had success in the past with gift baskets, gift certificates, toys, autographed items, etc. Our convention is being held this year from July 3rd to 5th, 2015. We hope to receive all donated items by June 20th, 2015. We are able to pick up items from within Indianapolis or anywhere within central Indiana.

I would be more than happy to discuss donation items at your convenience. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact me via phone 317-694-6811 or 317-371-1649 or via email at charity@inconjunction.org to discuss arrangements.

Thank you so much for your consideration,

Theresa Shidler, Dept. Chair Charity Auction – InConJunction XXXV

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