



4th Annual On-line Auction To Benefit Diabetes Research

Do you **love** a bargain?

Do you get excited about unusual, **one-of-a-kind** items?

Are you a **book** lover? A philanthropist? An eBay junkie?

Help bestselling author Brenda Novak make a difference in the lives of her son and millions of others like him who live with diabetes by shopping at her Fourth Annual Online Auction to Benefit Diabetes Research. How does it work? Just like eBay — except 100% of the proceeds help accelerate progress in diabetes research!

Visit www.brendanovak.com May 1st – May 31st, where you can bid on over 1000 items, many of which can't be found anywhere else, including:

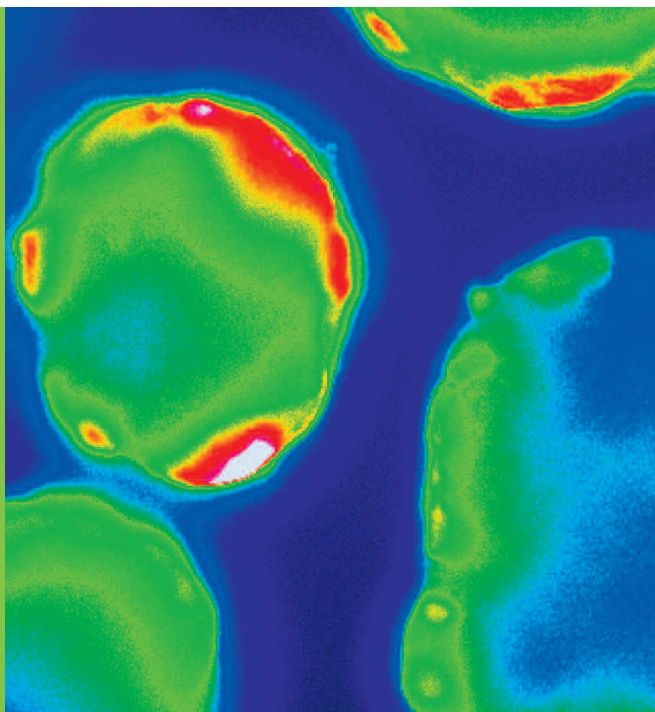


- A 7 day trip to Hawaii for two, including airfare, hotel, and more from Author Jane Porter
- A two-night stay in NYTimes Bestselling Author Susan Wigg's guesthouse
- Original Artwork by talented artist Marilyn Sears Bourbon
- A Bookstore/Coffee Shop in Miniature by Anna Stewart
- Website Design and One Year of Hosting & Updates from Coffee Time Romance & Rae Monet, Inc.
- Several Pieces of Vintage Blue Willow China from Bestselling Author Deborah Smith
- African Safari For Two: Six Romantic Days & Nights You'll Never Forget
- Your name featured as a character in Brenda Novak's next novel
- A special flying getaway to the destination of your choice with renowned writer, Margie Lawson

"Help me find a cure for this terrible disease and enjoy yourself while doing it!" – Brenda Novak

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Your **dollars** are helping with some very exciting research. Following, please find some of the most recent advancements for people with diabetes.



Cure-Focused Research

Scientists are working to restore natural insulin production in those with diabetes through many methods like islet transplantation, stem cell research, tissue engineering and regenerative medicine.

Implantable insulin pumps

Researchers are working hard to develop an implantable insulin pump that can measure blood sugar levels and deliver the exact amount of insulin needed. This would make it possible to mimic the action of natural insulin delivery. (What I wouldn't give for this.)

Insulin inhalers

Although daily injections of insulin would still be needed, inhaled insulin is currently in clinical trials and may be headed for a fast track approval by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). These inhalers are about the size of a flashlight and uses rapid-acting insulin. The sprayed insulin is inhaled into the mouth and coats the mouth, throat and tongue. The insulin passes quickly into the blood-into the mouth and coats the mouth, throat and tongue. The insulin passes quickly into the blood-stream.

Insulin Pill

The discovery of a new polymer that may allow development of an effective insulin pill was reported at a recent meeting of the American Chemical Society. When the polymer is used as a pill coating, it allows insulin to get into the bloodstream without being destroyed by the digestive system. So far it has only been tested in animals. (Some experts question whether insulin in pill form will prove useful, since dosing is so critical and often variable.)

New Insulins

In the past year, three new formulations of insulin have become available which have been designed to offer the advantages of simpler regimen and better glucose control for people whose diabetes must be treated with insulin.

All proceeds will be donated to the Diabetes Research Institute at the University of Miami and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

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