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Annual MERLIN Awards Gala May 6, 2011



Silent Auction Donation Form

Promote your company among one of the Midwest's most diverse business crowds!

Be a part of this year's Annual MERLIN Awards Gala hosted by the German American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest (GACCoM). Set in the Grand Ballroom of the exclusive InterContinental Chicago Magnificent Mile, the Gala will once again be a social highlight for the German-American business community in the Midwest.

Our approximately 350 guests will experience a distinctive evening including an elegant dinner; the presentation of the MERLIN Awards honoring companies that excel in German-American business; music; and, of course, bidding at the silent auction during the cocktail reception.

We would like to invite you to become a sponsor of our always-anticipated silent auction. Contributing an item offers you the exclusive opportunity to promote your company among one of the Midwest's most diverse business crowds. Beyond that, your company will be prominently featured in our silent auction guide distributed to all guests; on our website www.gaccomm.org; as well is in our monthly newsletter *ChamberBrief* (sent to approximately 3,000 contacts). If desired, your promotional material will be displayed together with your donation (if space allows). Return the silent auction donation form today and reach out to potential new customers in this important community.

In lieu of an auction item, monetary contributions may also be made. The silent auction committee will purchase an item for the auction to represent your sponsorship.

Please submit form no later than April 15, 2011. We request that donated items have a minimum value of \$100. Please fax to (312) 644-0738 or email to weyer@gaccomm.org. Contact: Franziska Weyer

Product(s) or service(s) contributed:

Short description (optional):

Retail value (very important):

Suggested minimum bid:

Company Name:

Contact:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Signature:

Date:

Should your donation not be sold at the Silent Auction 2011, GACCoM reserves the right to use it at a later date. Your contribution may be deducted as a business expense; please contact your tax advisor.

GACCoM is a 501 (c) 6 non-profit organization; therefore, the amount you agreed to above is not considered a charitable contribution.