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Several months ago in this newsletter, you were introduced to Kyla, the artist behind the drawing that inspired our whimsical ibcRF pewter angel. We received a huge folder of wonderful angel drawings that were sent on to the pewter

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artist, Jerry Jackson. A special thanks to all the children who sent in drawings; they were wonderful! It was a difficult task to go through all those drawings and try to find one that would translate well into a pewter ornament. Ultimately, Jerry picked one of Kyla's angels and began working with the basic design to produce our angel.

Kyla wanted to participate in this project in honor of her "Auntie Pam" who is a survivor of IBC. When I interviewed Kyla she said how much she likes to draw and wanted to help other people who have cancer like her Auntie Pam. Needless to say, she was excited to see her drawing become a pewter ornament! Kyla was recently featured in a school publication article, telling about her involvement in helping others with her angel drawing. A big thank you to Kyla, her mother, and Auntie Pam for helping with this project.

Jerry is a true pewter artist and hand casts each angel, creating a unique collectors item. As a long time friend, I've admired Jerry's work and have a number of his wonderful pieces in my home. (jerryjacksonpewter.com) He has captured the whimsical expression and details drawn by Kyla, and you can't help but smile when you look at the angel. Together, Kyla and Jerry have created a unique work of art!

The angels are being generously donated to ibcRF to be used to generate financial support for the various programs and projects of the organization.

Rather than sell the angels, the ibcRF Board has chosen to offer an angel as a thank you gift to those contributors who donate \$300 or more, either in a single donation or installments over a year beginning November 1, 2006. There is a limited supply of the angels, so they will be available on a first come first served basis.

Our heartfelt thanks to Jerry and to Kyla for capturing the hope, spirit and beauty of each ibcRF survivor and pathfinder in this delightful pewter angel.

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