Speed City Indiana Chapter of Sisters in Crime
Agenda for Saturday, June 27, 2026
Location: Zoom and at Carmel Clay Public Library, 425 E Main St, Carmel

11:00 a.m. -- Business meeting and guest speaker are open to all

Call to Order – Diana Catt
Minutes – Arianna Grazzianni March minutes sent out with newsletter
Treasurer's Report – Tony Perona
Membership Committee – Michael Dabney
Media update – Elizabeth San Miguel
Speakers – Janis Thornton

Old Business

- Landmark Anthology news: Scenic and Sinister: An Indiana Landmarks Anthology Launch party was well attended by almost all authors and several guests. We sold many books to authors in addition to what was pre-ordered. The readings went well. Refreshments were awesome!
  Please continue to look for landmark gift shops, other affiliated signing opportunities, let's market this thing!

- Comic Con Indy Convention Center was great! We sold some books, gave away some books, handed out many of our trifold info fliers. Not a lot of attendance to our panels, which may have been due to poor time slots and the one good time slot had a competing panel with almost the same title!

- Another reminder: Cool QR code **stickers** are available to put on your business cards or your bookmarks. Just ask me!

- Submission opportunity: Dragon's Edge Press is announcing open submissions for Sci-fi /fantasy shorts and poems – Mary B: now until June 15th so get to writing!

- InConJunction is July 10-12 Sharing table expenses with Dragons Edge Press. Mary B will sell our books there.

- Kirkland Art Fair, June 13, 10-4 was cancelled due to storm damage. It has been rescheduled to September 12th. Janis won't be able to go then due to conflict with another signing event in Stark County. So, there goes our Kirkland contact… However, if anyone wants to go then, cost is cheap, but you will need a table and chairs. Also can bring a tent. I will get chapter books to you.

- We have a good relationship with The Author Patch in Danville. They carry all our chapter anthologies and several of our member's novels. We are trying expecting to get our new Landmark anthology in the gift shops at Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana State Museum! Once in these gift shops, we might be able to place other anthologies there as well?

New Business

- Our board met and approved the cost of approx. $150 to purchase a retractable banner (33 x 80) for events. The company will take our vision and make it real.
- Considering new bookmarks and possibly business cards with our QR, website, books or one or two books with great covers

- The board discussed my concern that we should charge member authors who sell their own books at our table, to help defray table costs (especially when GGI and DEP bought a portion of the table for the Comic Con event and other authors were using the table for free.) Tony is working on a proposal for how to do this fairly and at a much cheaper rate than you'd find at any bookstore (60/40 split) Crystal, can you do the math and see if it would have been better for you to pay a flat rate for a portion of the table vs paying the chapter 20% of sales (80/20 split). We would probably only do this at major events where the table cost is high.
- Inventory of chapter books: RCBM, 94; BBB 69; HHoops 59; DOD 4; FAM 12; HoHo 6; M2020 9; TT 13; AWG 25: S&S 67; CCC 10

- If you arrange your own signing event, you can always purchase our anthologies at the member rate then resell at your event.

- Adding vendor table at GenCon 2027 – thoughts?

2026 Meeting speaker schedule	**Speaker**
June 27	Larry Sweazy
July 25	
Aug 22	Russ Eberhart AI panel
Sept 26	Lori Rader-Day
Oct 24- I'll be in Calgary at B'con	
Nov 21(3rd Sat)	

Book Signing Events update:

- InConJunction is **July 10-12**
- Danville street book fair – **September 26th**
- Bouchercon 2026, October 21-25 will be in Calgary, Canada.
- Ladies night out, The Author Patch, Thursday, **November 19th,** featuring HoHo food and S&S
- Bouchercon 2027, Washington DC
- Bouchercon 2028 – coming to INDY; Get involved! Join our local organizing committee - 2026 LOC meetings 8/6/26; 10/3/26

Member News? Be sure to let Elizabeth know for our newsletter!