

First Edition

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM THE BROWARD PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION



The Broward Public Library Foundation was founded in 1982 to enhance the collections, programs and services of the Broward County Library beyond the means of public funding. The nonprofit Foundation is the catalyst in sparking private funding and endowments to enrich the Broward County Library system.

Literary Feast 2014: An Update

Plans are underway for the 26th edition of Literary Feast, on March 15-17, 2014. Funds raised at the event benefit the many children's and adult literacy programs supported by the Library Foundation.

Confirmed authors so far include:

- Andrew Carroll – *"Here Is Where"* (a historical look at little known famous places around the country)
- Archer Mayor – *"Three Can Keep a Secret"* (the 24th book in the Joe Gunther Mystery series)
- Michael Sears – *"Mortal Bonds"* (a sensational story of murder and financial corruption)
- Dani Shapiro – *"Still Writing: The Perils and Pleasures of a Creative Life"* (a witty, heartfelt and practical look at the process of storytelling)
- Rebecca Walker – *"Adé"* (a love story set in an island off of Kenya that tests the limitations of the human heart)
- Brenda Wineapple – *"Ecstatic Nation: Confidence, Crisis and Compromise, 1848 - 1877"* (illuminating one of the most dramatic and momentous chapters of America's past)

Literary Feast events for the public include:

- LitLUNCH! featuring an exceptional author on Friday, February 28th beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six's revolving Pier Top restaurant; tickets are \$65
- Night of Literary Feasts on Saturday, March 15th from 6 to 10:30 p.m., with a cocktail reception at the Main Library in Fort Lauderdale followed by intimate dinners featuring one or two of the authors in private homes and upscale restaurants; tickets are \$175
- LitLIVE! on Sunday, March 16th from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., a free day of author talks and book signings at Nova Southeastern University's Alvin Sherman Library

To receive an invitation to LitLUNCH! and/or the Night of Literary Feasts, please call 954.357.7384.



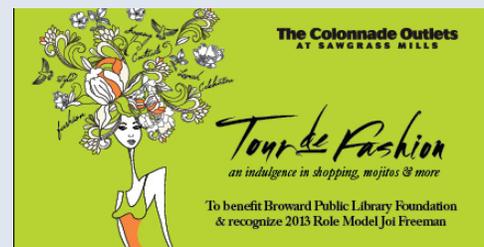
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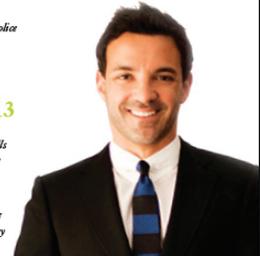
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OCTOBER 25, 2013

10 am – 4 pm
The Colonnade Outlets at Sawgrass Mills
12801 West Sunrise Boulevard, Sunrise

SCHEDULE

10 am Shop, Eat & Play at your leisure
11 am Fashion shows throughout the day
12 pm Role Models Awards Luncheon



Get ready to shop for a good cause on Friday, October 25th. Tickets are now on sale for the Colonnade Outlets at Sawgrass Mills' Tour de Fashion, a day of upscale shopping, food and fashion shows that will help support the Broward Public Library Foundation.

Joi Freeman, a member of the Foundation's Board of Directors, is one of five community leaders being honored as a Role Model during the Tour de Fashion event. E! Entertainment's Fashion Police co-host George Kotsiopoulos is hosting the Role Models awards luncheon at noon that day.

Tickets are \$30 for the day of shopping; for \$75 you can shop and attend the awards luncheon. Shopping hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can purchase tickets online at www.ColonnadeOutletsTourDeFashion.com or the day of the event. When you purchase a ticket in support of the Broward Public Library Foundation, you'll help provide vital children's and adult literacy programs throughout the Broward County Library system.

Annual StoryBook Festival: Free!

Join "King Arthur's" Stories of the Round Table from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, November 16th at the StoryBook Festival at Southwest Regional Library (16835 Sheridan Street, Pembroke Pines). This free festival offers a day of storytelling, music, dance, characters, crafts and activities for youngsters and their families.

Food trucks will be onsite selling treats and the first 1,000 children at the festival will receive a free book courtesy of Baptist Health Urgent Care. Children are encouraged to come in costume. We are grateful to Baptist Health Urgent Care, the City of Pembroke Pines, The Miami Herald, Broward Family Life Magazine, Channel 2 - Kidvision and Friends of the Southwest Regional Library for their support of the annual StoryBook Festival.



IRA Tax-Free Charitable Contributions Extended

Have you been planning on making a gift to the Broward Public Library Foundation? Now is the time to do so. Making a gift this year enables you to witness the benefits of your generosity.

On Jan. 2, 2013, President Barack Obama signed into law the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 and thus extended the provision for tax-free charitable IRA distributions (also known as IRA charitable rollovers) for what may be the very last year. Donors must be age 70 ½ or older at the time the IRA distribution is made to the Broward Public Library Foundation. Distributions must be made before Jan. 1, 2014. The amounts distributed from an IRA as qualified charitable distributions are excluded from the AGI (Adjusted Gross Income) of the taxpayer. An individual taxpayer may make tax-free IRA distributions of any amount up to a total of \$100,000 for 2013. A spouse may also give up to \$100,000 from his or her IRA. For more information, contact Jennifer Smith, Director of Development, at 954.357.8086 or jsmith@BPLFoundation.org.

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SAT/ACT Workshops for College Bound Students

With a target population of 300 10th, 11th and 12th-graders, the six-part SAT and ACT program series offers Broward's college bound teens access to free, library-based comprehensive test learning opportunities that reinforce success in the college admission and financial aid process. By using diagnostic practice tests to gauge strengths and weaknesses, a customized study plan is developed to ensure improvement on the official SAT and ACT tests.

Demand for the program has been so great that it is now being offered at the Main, North Regional/BC Campus, Southwest Regional, West Regional and the Northwest Regional libraries in an effort to reach a diverse range of students. Call the library in your neighborhood to register. The program is underwritten by the generosity of The Harry T. Mangurian, Jr. Foundation, Inc. and the Broward Public Library Foundation. Beat the January 25th SAT and February 8th ACT by signing up for the first session on October 23, 2013 at the Main Library. To pre-register for these classes call 954.357.7504.

Books 'n' Bears Brings Holiday Joy

Throughout December, 1,000+ needy children from local childcare centers will visit Broward County libraries to take part in the Books 'n' Bears program, a tradition since 1991.



After a program of storytelling and treats, each child gets a teddy bear and a new book. The Miami Dolphins Foundation is the presenting sponsor, sending cheerleaders and their mascot to the parties.

Please consider donating a gently used or new plush bear and or/making a donation to the program. Clean, medium-sized bears are being collected through November 30th at the Youth Services department of any Broward County Library. Call 954.357.7406 or 954.357.7336 for information.

To contribute financially, please visit www.BPLFoundation.org/booksandbears.htm. You can also call us at 954.357.7382 to give your gift via credit card.