

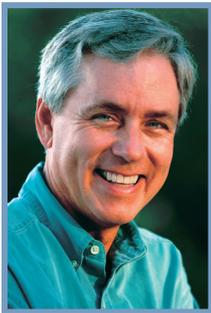
# First Edition

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.

## Author Carl Hiaasen to Speak at Library Foundation Fundraiser

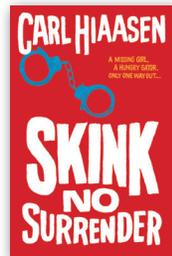


On Oct. 29, best-selling author, National Book Award nominee and Broward native Carl Hiaasen brings his special brand of satirical wit to a fundraising event for the Broward Public Library Foundation. The event, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., includes a cocktail reception, book sales, signings and a talk by Hiaasen on his latest book, *Skink – No Surrender*.

This is Hiaasen's first book for teen-agers. *Skink*, a ragged, one-eyed ex-governor of Florida, was first introduced to readers more than 25 years ago in *Double Whammy*, and he quickly became Hiaasen's most iconic and beloved character,

appearing in six novels to date.

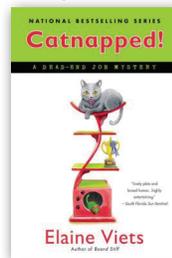
All proceeds benefit teen programs at Broward County Library, including free SAT/ACT prep classes for high school students. Tickets for the event, to be held at Nova Southeastern University's Museum of Art (One E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale), are \$75. For tickets call 954-357-7382 or visit [www.bplfoundation.org](http://www.bplfoundation.org).



## Book With Brunch

Elaine Viets, author of *Catnapped*, will be the guest speaker at the next Book With Brunch at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 15th at ArtServe (1350 E. Sunrise Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale). *Catnapped* is the latest in a series of "dead-end job" mysteries that Viets pens after spending months researching and actually performing those jobs. For *Catnapped*, Viets gained first-hand knowledge of the career by temporarily serving as a cat groomer.

Viets will speak, sell and sign her books at this event. Book With Brunch is limited to the first 50 registrants, who must be Library Foundation members at the \$50 level and above; non-members may attend by paying a \$25 non-refundable fee in advance if space permits. Please e-mail [treilly@bplfoundation.org](mailto:treilly@bplfoundation.org) or call 954.357.7384 to make your reservation; all reservations will be on a first-come, first-served basis.



## Plans Underway for Literary Feast 2015

The 27th annual Literary Feast fundraising weekend will take place March 28 & 29, 2015, with proceeds benefiting the many children's and adult literacy programs supported by the Broward Public Library Foundation. Invitations to authors are still in the early stages; however, the following have already committed:

- Steve Boone – *Hotter Than a Match Head* (telling the story of his personal journey performing with the 1960s American rock band, The Lovin' Spoonful)
- Hank Phillippi Ryan – *Truth Be Told* (the latest in her Jane Ryland mystery series)

**Literary Feast comprises the following events that are open to the public:**

- LitLUNCH! is the kick-off to Literary Feast and features an exceptional author on Friday, February 20th beginning at 11:15 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six's Pier Top restaurant; tickets are \$75
- Night of Literary Feasts takes place on Saturday, March 28th from 6 to 10:30 p.m. beginning at the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six with a cocktail reception featuring all of the Feast authors and then moving on to intimate dinners with individual authors; tickets begin at \$175
- LitLIVE! will be held on Sunday, March 29th at the Museum of Art – Fort Lauderdale from 12 to 3:30 p.m.; this free event will highlight talks by select Feast authors.

For information about any of these Literary Feast events, please call 954.357.7384.



## Main Library Now Open on Saturdays

Construction at the Main Library is winding down and Saturday hours have returned. In addition to Monday through Friday hours, you and your family can now enjoy all that the Library has to offer from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays. Metered parking is available on nearby streets and Library patrons are also able to park in the city parking garage located on the east side of the building and use the second-floor walkway to access the Main Library.



## In Memoriam

The Broward Public Library Foundation recently lost two of its visionary supporters.

Frederick Ruffner, 88, founder of reference book powerhouse Gale Research, died Aug. 12 after a long illness. For many years, Ruffner and his late wife Mary divided their time between their homes in Fort Lauderdale and Michigan. An early supporter of the Library Foundation, Ruffner donated \$25,000 that made possible the hiring of the first Executive Director, Joe Ancker, who put policies in place and helped develop an outstanding board of community leaders.

When NASA called Susan Eisele Black, the widow of Apollo 7 astronaut Donn F. Eisele, about the loan of a moon rock in his honor, Mrs. Black immediately thought of the Broward County Library. Since October 2007, thousands of people have examined the 1.518 gram moon rock and learned more about the Apollo space program at the display on the 6th floor of the Main Library. Mrs. Black, who died Sept. 9 at the age of 75, was a long-time resident of Fort Lauderdale, and a Jefferson Society member of the Library Foundation.

## Receiving our E-mails?

If you aren't already receiving our e-mails and would like to sign-up to receive timely information from the Broward Public Library Foundation, please call 954.357.7384.



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## Summer Reading

This summer, thousands of Broward children, teens and adults enjoyed "digging into reading," the theme of the Summer Reading Program 2014.

Special activities included fun STEM science experiments for all ages, music entertainment, internet scavenger hunts, puppet shows and book talks, among other programs. Adults played "Literary Bingo," and learned about nutrition, fitness and gardening at 23 libraries. More than 51,000 people attended programs from June 7 through August 2.

The Miami Dolphins Foundation, a long-time Summer Reading Program supporter, provided MVR (Most Valuable Reader) gameboards for children and teens to complete. As they worked their way around the gameboard, the young readers earned a series of incentive prizes, including tickets to a Miami Dolphins preseason game. Grand prizes included a tour of the Dolphins Training Camp on the Nova Southeastern University campus in Davie and visits to the Miami Seaquarium.

In addition to the Miami Dolphins Foundation and the Charles F. and Esther M. Frye Foundation, more than 150 donors supported the Summer Reading program through the Library Foundation's annual mail appeal and a new Power2give online campaign. The BBX Capital Foundation matched the online campaign donations. A total of \$27,500 was raised for the Summer Reading Program.

**We are very grateful to all for their support, and are giving special recognition to those who contributed \$100 or more:**

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