

"New Year's Day: Now is the accepted time to make your regular annual good resolutions. Next week you can begin paying hell with them as usual." MARK TWAIN

WELCOME TO THE BREVARD AUTHORS SOCIETY

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

What a great year 2025 was. MANY THANKS!!!!!!!!!!

We kicked off the year with The Fundamental Writing Course in Nine Weekly Classes which was held at the Addison Village Community Room:

Presenters were: Gene Vlahovic, Jim Nelson, Cindy Foley, Stephanie Passero, Rick Maule, Annie Pirie, Rachel Hauck, Barbara Wagner

***We held the Rocky's Award Children's Book Contest:**

Terri Friedlander - *No More Bullies* Picture Books 1st Place

Jennifer Perkins - *The Balloon at the Zoo* - Picture Books 2nd Place

Sarah Case Mamika - *The Blue Crocodile* - Picture Books 3rd Place

Dana Wilson - *Big Brother. Little Brother* - Honorable Mention

Jeanne Hagar Burth - *It Makes Me Feel Good* - Honorable Mention

Billie Jean Glenn - *Little George's Amazing Adventures* - Chapter Books 1st Place

Rita McCarthy - *Manfred the Traveling Mole* - Chapter Books 2nd Place

Many thanks to Wanda Luthman - children's book author for assisting with the contest.

All proceeds went to SavetheChildren.org

In June Addison Village hosted a Children's Book Festival. More than 25 authors participated.

Many authors gave talks or presented their books in the lobby at the Addison Village Community Center:

Arthur Doweyko

Julio Torres

Joanne Fisher

Cindy Foley

In April, Gene Vlahovic and Olive Pollak represented the society at the Addison Village Home and Hurricane Expo.

In October best selling author Brian Freeman spoke at the Suntree-Viera Library.

Also, in October 45 authors participated in Book Fest in the Village in Cocoa Village

Kip Koelsch presented a talk at the Suntree-Viera Library in November.

Many authors presented at the Moon River Cafe: (and some of their books)

James Nelson - The Butterfly Conspiracy

Sabrina Baptista - My View from Heaven

Kristen Satterfield - Lightning Rising

Billie Jean Glenn - Little George's Amazing Adventures

T.J. Roland - Resonance - Winner of SCWG Don Argo Award

Joanne Fisher - Vendetta in Viera

Nylda Dieppa - Alborada Dawn

Lynda DuBois - Scorcha the Drow Queen

Julio Torres - who also gave a presentation at the Suntree-Viera Library

Thomas Flagg -The Dressing Drink

Coming this year:

Gina DiDesidero - Undrowned

James Nelson - The Hawthorne House

Cynthia Hall - The Happy Muse

Many thanks to our Board of Directors

Gene Luke Vlahovic, Founder and Director

Olive Pollak, Brevard Authors Society Events Coordinator

Gina DiDesidero, website manager

James R. Nelson, Treasurer and Founder

Sandee Roberts Secretary

And it is my pleasure to serve as President, Founder, and author of the BAS newsletter - Cindy Foley

Many thanks to our generous sponsors. Without their facilities and their donations, we couldn't make the many events and

contests happen.

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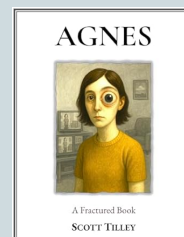
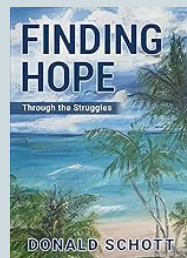
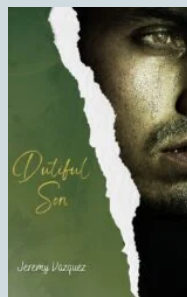
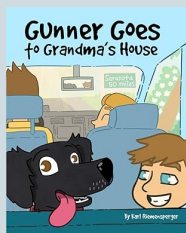
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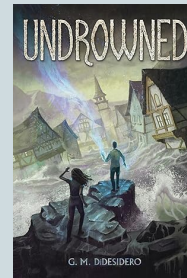
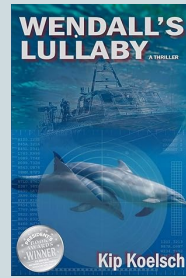
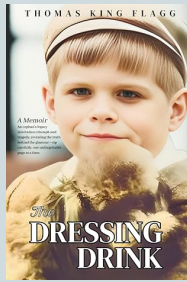
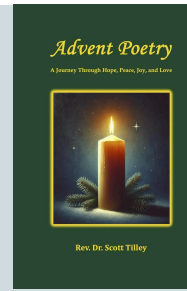
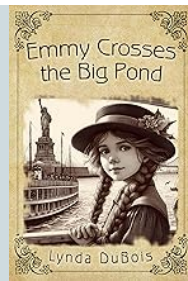
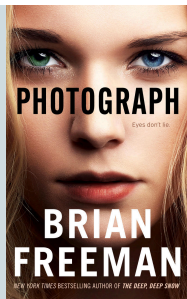
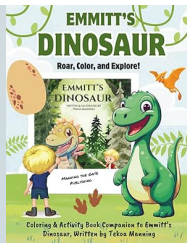
Suntree–Viera Public Library and all our public libraries

I probably haven't mentioned everyone who helped to make 2025 such a rousing success within our writing community. For those I may have missed mentioning – Thank you so much for your encouragement and support.

SO MANY TALENTED AUTHORS, SO MANY BOOKS

...sorry we couldn't list them all

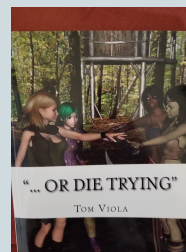
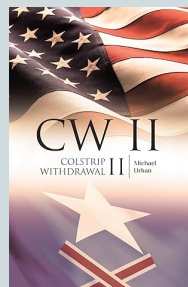
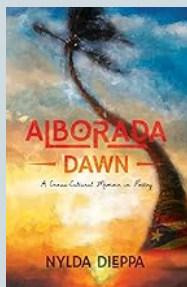


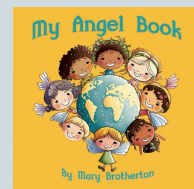
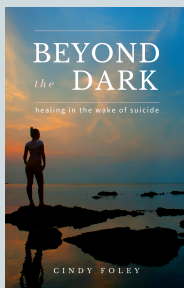
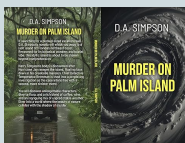
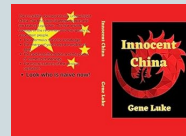
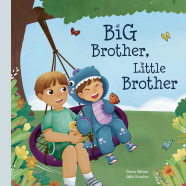
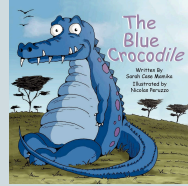
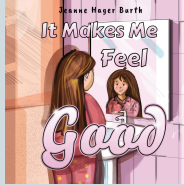
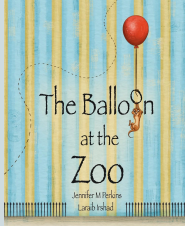
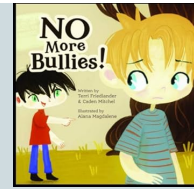
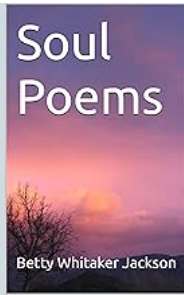
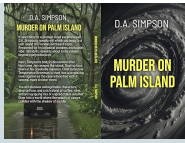


Meet the Author "UNDROWNED"

Gina DiDesidero

Moon River Cafe JANUARY 10TH
12:00 - 1:00, 725 E. New Haven
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"Exercise the writing muscle every day, even if it is only a letter, notes, a title list, a character sketch, a journal entry." Jane Yolen



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