

# Authors' luncheon will benefit CALM

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Mariel Hemingway ("Manhattan," "Roseanne") and Peter Falk ("Columbo") are among the writers taking part in the 21st annual Celebrity Authors' Luncheon to benefit CALM on March 10 at Fess Parker's Doubletree Resort.

Among the hot literary events in town, the authors' luncheon combines big-name and local talent for interviews, readings and book signings — and the proceeds help the private, nonprofit Child Abuse Listening and Mediation achieve its goal of preventing, assessing and treating child abuse in Santa Barbara County.

This year's interviewed authors are:

● Lynne Cox, whose "Grayson" is the true-life adventure of a 17-year-old girl who reunites a mother whale and her baby. Ms. Cox is in the Swimming Hall of Fame and received a lifetime achievement award from UCSB.

● Peter Falk, who explores his professional and private life in "Just One More Thing: Stories from My Life."

● Jane Heller whose latest novel, "Some Nerve," tells the tale of Ann Roth, a "phobic entertainment journalist" who volunteers at a hospital to get the scoop on an ailing movie star. Ms. Heller lives in Montecito and volunteers at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital.

● Mariel Hemingway, granddaughter of Ernest Hemingway, will talk about "Healthy Living from the Inside Out,"

billed as "a vital, vibrant and very personal guide to living a healthier life."

● James Rollins, an amateur spelunker and scuba enthusiast with a veterinary practice in Sacramento, will be on hand to discuss "Black Order," a suspense adventure about a fire in a Copenhagen bookstore that "ignites a relentless hunt across four continents."

Available for book signing will be: Brook Ashley, "The Lonely Doll Makes New Friends"; Jack Canfield, "Chicken Soup for the Soul"; Anne-Marie Castleberg, "Alice's Garden"; Josh Conviser, "Echelon"; Len Lamensdorf, "Gino, the Countess & Chagall"; David Lawrence, "Boy Eats World: A Private Chef Cooks Simple Gourmet"; Beth Roberts, "Finding Your Mate Online: No Fear, No Embarrassment, Just Love"; Christine Schwab, "The Grown-Up Girl's Guide to Style"; Karen Telleen-Lawton, "Canyon Voices: The Nature of Rattlesnake Canyon"; Flavia Weedn, "Gift Books"; and Ken Williams, "China White."

Emcee for the event is Mr. Canfield.

Interviewing the authors will be former KEYT anchor Debby Davison and Kate Schwab, regional marketing manager for Borders Books.

Signings and purchases begin at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:45, with a no-host bar, and the interviews run from 12:45 to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$100.

Fess Parker's Doubletree resort is at 633 E. Cabrillo Blvd. For reservations, contact Carolyn Gillio at 682-3925.