HISTORY

The WNBA’s rich history mirrors that of women’s lives and work since its founding in 1917. Born of the Progressive Era and the women’s suffrage movement and launched by forward-thinking women in the world of books, the founding shows how the organization has been on the leading edge of cultural change throughout its history.

From the first meetings following the gathering of women booksellers at the New York State suffrage march in October of 1917 to the feminist-leaning panels and surveys of the 1970s, the WNBA has always been at the forefront—connecting, educating, advocating, and leading.

DATE: February 8, 2017
TIME: 6:30PM
LOCATION: Murder on the Beach Bookstore
273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33444

GUEST SPEAKER: Founded in 1996 by Joanne Sinchuk, Murder on the Beach is the only mystery bookstore in Florida. It frequently holds author signings, literary luncheons, writers workshops and mystery shows both in the store and at outside locations. The largest seller of signed Florida mystery first editions on the internet, Murder on the Beach serves customers all over the world.

A former financial manager in New York and Connecticut, Joanne Sinchuk is president of the Independent Mystery Booksellers Association, a member of Southeast Independent Booksellers Association, Florida Romance Writers and the Florida Chapter of Mystery Writers of America. She is a co-author of 100 Favorite Mysteries of the Century, which won the Agatha, Macavity and Anthony Awards for Best Nonfiction Book of 2000.

DISCUSSION: Joanne Sinchuk will discuss the future of Independent Bookstores, E-books, and Traditional Publishing trends.

PRESENTATION: Linda Rosen, Member of WNBA, New York, will be discussing the history of women bookstore owners and their role in the publishing industry.