

Child Abuse Listening & Mediation's 22nd Annual

# Celebrity Authors' Luncheon

**A VARIETY OF BOOKS AND WRITERS** sparked the interest of guests at CALM's 22nd Annual Celebrity Authors' Luncheon, presented by the CALM Auxiliary, on Saturday, March 8th at Fess Parker's DoubleTree Resort.

Combining big-name authors with local celebrities, the CALM Celebrity Authors' Luncheon featured appearances and book signings by a variety of writers. Interviewed authors this year included Gary David Goldberg, Andrew Klavan, Deborah Rodriguez, and Lisa See, who was also this year's Honorary Chair. Author Jack Canfield served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. Former KEYT anchorwoman Debby Davison and Kate Schwab of Borders interviewed the authors.

In addition to the interviewed authors, the following authors also attended the event and were available for book signing: Mindy Bingham, *Minou*; Polly Bookwalter, *Butterfly Beach*; Joe Bruzzese, *Caught in the Middle*; Jack Canfield, *Chicken Soup for the Soul*; Kathryn Cushman, *A Promise to Remember*; William Davis, *Sinking the Rising Sun*; Karin Finell, *Good-bye to the Mermaids*; David Gersh, *Art is Dead*; Beverley Jackson, *Shanghai Girl Gets All Dressed Up*; Susan Jorgensen, *Susan Jorgensen: I Am a Hunter Too*; Jennie Nash, *The Last Beach Bungalow*; Katie Nuanes, *The Little Black Apron: A Single Girl's Guide to Cooking with Style and Grace*; Sissy Taran, *The Sun Will Shine Again*; and Flavia Weedn, author of a variety of gift books.



**Meredith Scott**, CALM President and **Anna M. Kokotovic**, CALM Executive Director



**Sharon Bifano**, Event Co-Chair with her son, **Erik Nielsen** and his wife, **Susan Nielsen**

All ticket proceeds and a percentage of book sales will benefit CALM, the only nonprofit in Santa Barbara County focused solely on preventing, assessing, and treating child abuse and family violence.

CALM, Child Abuse Listening and Mediation, was founded in 1970 to reach stressed parents before they hurt their children. CALM offers children, families, and adults a safe, non-judgmental, caring, and strength-based environment to heal and increase family well-being. For more information call 965-2376 or visit [www.calm4kids.org](http://www.calm4kids.org).



Back: **Flavia Weedn**; **William Davis**; **Katie Nuanes**; **Jennie Nash**; and Master of Ceremonies **Jack Canfield** Front: **Karin Finell**; **Lisa See**, Honorary Chair; and **Andrew Klavan**



Back: **Mindy Bingham**; **Polly Bookwalter**; **Kathryn Cushman**; **Susan Jorgensen**; **Sissy Taran**; **Beverley Jackson**; **David Gersh** Front: **Gary David Goldberg**; Interviewer **Debby Davison**; and **Deborah Rodriguez**



**Kate Schwab**, Interviewer



Back: **Ashley Meske**; **Mary Belle Snow**; **Jo Berkus**; and **Lady Leslie Ridley-Tree** Front: **Carolina Montgomery**; **Dolly Granatelli**; and **Lee Luria**



Back: **Anne Smith-Towbes**; **Stephanie Ortale**, Event Co-Chair; **Laurie Parton**; and **Sharon Hughes**



Back: **Michelle Berti**; **Father Virgil Cordano**; and **Richard Berti**



Back: **Donna Barranco-Fisher**, **Dan Bifano**, **Kari-Unn Paye**, **Sally Jordan**, and **Terry Stanford Jacobsen** (sitting)



Back: **Christine Oliver**, **Jenny McNamara**, **June Laula**, **Bunnie DeLorie**, **Diana Gleason**, **Diana MacFarlane** of Countrywide Table Host, **Judy Mansbach**, **Maureen Casey**, **Holly Pearson**, and **Kris Maughan** Front: **Laura Johnson**, **Kelle Davis**, **Carol Keller**, **Beverly Raber**, **Kathy Johnson**, **Lucille Johnson**, and **Peggy Cairns**