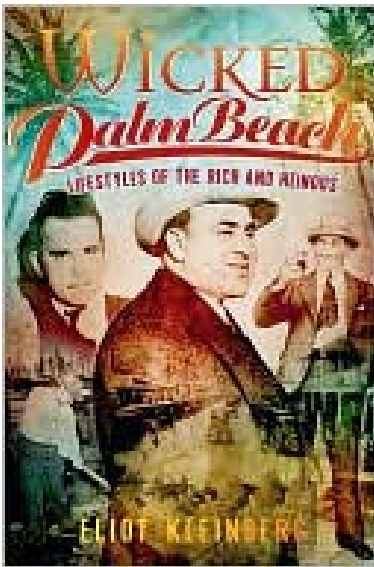


The Benjamin Book Discussion Group

Monday, February 22nd @ 7:00 pm

Kirkwood Library



In Palm Beach, as elsewhere in South Florida, Prohibition barely put a dent in the partying. During the Prohibition Era, the Royal Poinciana Hotel in Palm Beach featured a secret hallway that led to a clandestine speakeasy called “Hypocrites’s Row.” About the same time, the infamous Ashley gang, a ragtag band of violent criminals, had South Florida gripped in fear. Indeed, few eras in few places were as exciting, outrageous and tragic as the period between World War I and the hammer fall of the Great Depression, when Florida parties, passed out and work up with one heck of a hangover. From rumrunners to pirates, mobsters to moguls, Palm Beach County has hosted its fair share of questionable characters over the decades.

Excerpt from the back cover

Eliot Kleinberg, a local author and historian, is a journalist with the Palm Beach Post. He has authored several books celebrating Florida. Join us for some lively conversations over refreshments on Monday, February 22nd.

RSVP to Lola Arbuzow at 472-5998 ext. 2425 or larbuzow@thebenjaminschool.org

(Books can be purchased for \$16.00 each)