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Broward County Commission Libraries Division Presents  
**Toys for Tots Literacy Program Event with Former Dolphin Jed Weaver at  
Carver Ranches Branch Library**

BROWARD COUNTY, FL – Carver Ranches, FL – Former Miami Dolphins tight end Jed Weaver, and former Dolphin athletic trainer, Bill Davis will visit Broward County Library's Carver Ranches Branch at 3:30 p.m., April 8, for a reading event with local school children. The event will raise awareness of the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation's new Toys for Tots Literacy Program in southern Florida.

This new year-round initiative, sponsored by The UPS Store, provides economically disadvantaged children with direct access to resources that will enhance their ability to read and communicate effectively. A series of "read-ins" are planned nationwide to help launch the program, which will showcase local celebrities, such as Weaver and Davis, along with representatives from The UPS Store. Participating The UPS Store locations are currently collecting money for the program. These donations will be used to purchase books and other educational materials for local families, schools, libraries and community centers.

"We are thrilled to host Mr. Weaver and Mr. Davis as guest readers at Carver Ranches Branch, and we are dedicated to helping the Toys for Tots Literacy Program become a success," says Broward County Libraries Director Bob Cannon. "Supplying underprivileged children with the materials they need to succeed is more than worthwhile – it is the crux of our belief that literacy can and does make a difference in people's lives."

Jed Weaver and Bill Davis, as well as representatives from The UPS Store will be available for interviews after the event.

The award-winning Broward County Libraries Division, founded in 1974, provides essential quality-of-life community service as well as outstanding customer service throughout Broward County. The Library consists of 37 branches that provide three million items and more than 2,000 computers for public use, and after-school literacy, youth, and teen programs. Its website, [www.broward.org/library](http://www.broward.org/library), includes free online reference and information databases in addition to access about library services, locations, and events that customers access on average 300,000 times a month. The Broward County Library is the ninth-largest library system in the United States, serving more than nine million walk-in customers annually.

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