



# CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM

## MEDIA ALERT

### Captain Tortuga Book Launch Party

- Author and master storyteller David Kinne releases an illustrated children's book about endangered sea turtles; proceeds benefit Clearwater Marine Aquarium

**Clearwater, FL (April 20, 2015)** – A new illustrated children's book is available at Clearwater Marine Aquarium, written by local author and master storyteller, David Kinne and illustrated by Dino Kotopoulos, a local character artist whose career credits include winning a Clio award for his work on Charlie the Tuna commercials.

Journey across the seas with Captain Tortuga and his trusty friend Polly as they follow a beautiful turtle named Lilly the Loggerhead to the Treasure of Sand Key. Along the way, discover how you can help protect endangered sea turtles from many of the hazards they face in the ocean.

All proceeds of the book go directly towards the mission of Clearwater Marine Aquarium, to restore and preserve our marine environment.

The Captain Tortuga Book Launch Party will take place Saturday, April 25 from 2-4pm at Winter's Dolphin Tale Adventure in downtown Clearwater (300 Cleveland St.). Admission is free for this special event.

Guests will be treated to a reading of the book and have the chance to meet both the author and illustrator. There will also be face painting, prizes, and giveaways.

What: Captain Tortuga Book Launch Party  
Where: Winter's Dolphin Tale Adventure at 300 Cleveland St.  
When: Saturday, April 25 from 2-4pm.

More information: [www.seewinter.com/captain-tortuga](http://www.seewinter.com/captain-tortuga)

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**About Clearwater Marine Aquarium:** Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit working marine rescue center dedicated to inspiring the human spirit through leadership in education, research, rescue, rehabilitation and release. CMA is home to rescue dolphins, sea turtles, river otters, stingrays, nurse sharks and more. Winter, the dolphin's story of survival after injury that caused her to lose her tail, has impacted millions of people around the world. A major motion picture, *Dolphin Tale*, highlighted her life story in 2011. The sequel, *Dolphin Tale 2*, was released in September 2014 and features the incredible story of Hope, a young resident dolphin of CMA. The mission and potential to change people's lives differentiates Clearwater Marine Aquarium from any other aquarium in the world.

WE BELIEVE in preserving our marine life and environment while inspiring the human spirit through leadership in education, research, rescue, rehabilitation, and release.

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