

Thank you VisitEsteros.com for posting the information on the Dr. Benjamin Carson book signing for his new book One Nation. I would not have known in time to attend had it not been for your website.

I went to the book tour and signing event at the Books-A-Million Store on Dynasty Road in Fort Myers Florida on Saturday, May 31. I was told by the clerk that took care of me that the crowd was large in comparison to other recent signings, was enthusiastic and polite. I agree, the enthusiasm and comradery was both apparent and contagious. I saw "Run Ben Run" signs, banners and bumper stickers everywhere. It was nice to see the crowd was a good portrait of American patriotism and a variety of ethnicity and age.

It would be difficult for me not to admire this brilliant man after hearing his speech at the National Prayer Breakfast, February 2013 and then watching the movie "Gifted Hands, The Dr. Ben Carson Story" starring Cuba Gooding, Jr, based on Dr. Carson's life story. For anyone not familiar Ben Carson and his brother Curtis were raised by their Mother who had a third grade education, but insisted they excel in school, making them read several books each week and required they give her written book reports not knowing she could not read that well. I will not go into more of the story but recommend watching if you see it come on TNT where I viewed it.

Dr. Carson became head of Pediatric Neurosurgery at John Hopkins and is renowned for in over 20 hours of surgery, along with a large team of doctors and nurses, separating twins conjoined at the head. His brother Curtis became part of management as a mechanical engineer for Honeywell Aircraft.

Dr. Carson started a 501 (c) 3 charity in 1994, Carson Scholars Fund, Carson Scholarships and the Ben Carson Reading Project and has awarded over 6,200 scholarships in the US.

I was impressed again after coming home from the book signing and hearing on the news that while Dr. Carson was here in Florida on his book tour in Naples and Fort Myers, although not at the Republican Leadership Conference held in New Orleans he came in 2nd in the Presidential Straw Poll as a possible candidate, approximately 1.1% behind Ted Cruz, Rep. TX. What an interesting ticket that could be.

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Here are a few photos.