

## FAMILIES

### S.T.E.A.M FEST (grades 2+)

Stop by for some hands-on family fun centering around science, technology, engineering, art and math!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 4; 6:30pm-8pm



### CINEMA THURSDAYS

Join us for a family-friendly movie and popcorn!

**Richlands:** Apr 13; 2pm

### BOOKS & BARKS (grades K-8)

Improve your reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to a READ (Reading Education Assistance Dog) trained dog from Love on a Leash. \*Reservations required; call to sign-up for your 15-minute reading time.

**Jacksonville:** May 13; 2-4pm

**Swansboro:** Apr 29; 1-3pm

### CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

Join us for a special weekend storytime to celebrate the 98th Annual Children's Book Week theme: One World, Many Stories.

**Jacksonville:** May 7; 2pm

### STAR WARS READS DAY-Episode V

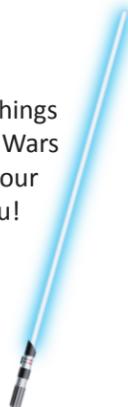
Break out the light sabers as we celebrate all things Star Wars! Come dressed as your favorite Star Wars character and enjoy intergalactic activities in your corner of the galaxy. May the force be with you!

**Jacksonville:** May 5; 7-8:30pm

**Richlands:** May 6; 10am-12pm

**Sneads Ferry:** May 6; 10am-12pm

**Swansboro:** May 4; 5-6:30pm



### HOMESCHOOL FAIR

Current and future homeschooling families, don't miss our 9th annual resource fair. Meet other homeschool families and connect with information and resources from local businesses and support groups.

**Jacksonville:** May 20; 10am-1pm

## Don't Forget!

All OCPL branches will be closed:

Good Friday (April 14)

Easter Sunday (April 16)

May 29 (Memorial Day)

Library items are never due on a holiday; there are no overdue fees charged for days OCPL is closed. All programs are free and open to the public. Groups of 10 or more, please call the library in advance.

Because we offer public services and events, we like to take photos to share them with our patrons and supporters. If you do not want your picture taken, please talk to a staff member.



Connect With Us!



[WWW.ONSLOWCOUNTYNC.GOV/LIBRARY](http://WWW.ONSLOWCOUNTYNC.GOV/LIBRARY)

## TEENS

### TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (Grades 6-12)

Help us plan teen and tween programs; discuss books, music, movies and more while having fun and receiving service hours. Let your voice be heard! Snacks provided.

**Jacksonville:** Apr 5, May 3; 4:30pm

### TEEN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS (ages 13-18)

Our teen volunteers are a valuable resource in our library system. Earn SAT and Junior Honor Society volunteer hours, learn new skills, and give back to your community!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 10, May 8; 5:30pm

**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 10, May 8; 4:30pm

**Swansboro:** Apr 5, May 3; 4pm

Adults, please contact your local branch about volunteer opportunities.

### TEEN SCENE

Grab a friend and join us for fun and games at the library!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 19 (Poetry Creation), May 17; (Karaoke) 4:30pm

**Richlands:** Apr 11 (Egg-Stravaganza), May 11 (Derby Downs); 4pm

*Sponsored by Pizza Hut of Richlands*

**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 27 (Hula Hoop Weaving), May 25 (Library Mini Golf); 4:30pm

**Swansboro:** Apr 27 (Chopped Edition), May 25 (Karaoke); 4pm

*Sponsored by Pizza Hut of Swansboro*

## BIRTH TO FIVE

### DANCE PARTY! (birth- 5)

Everybody cut footloose, put on your dancing shoes, and join us for music and movement as we sing, shake and be-bop the morning away!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 14, May 12;

9:30am for birth-2, 10:30am for ages 3-5

**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 28; May 26;

10:30am

**Swansboro:** Apr 7, May 5; 10am

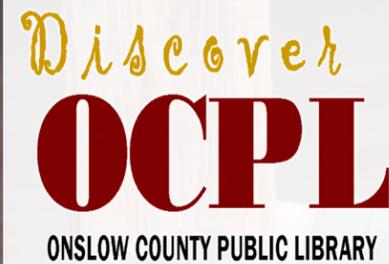
### GROW-LEARN-DISCOVER

#### PLAYDAYS (birth-36 months)

Play is the "work" of early childhood, and there is nothing your baby or toddler would rather do than play with you! So explore, play, and learn with your little one to discover how simple learning through play can be!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 28, May 26;

10am



# PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FEBRUARY & MARCH 2017



## LETTERS FROM HOME: AMERICA'S BOMBSHELL PATRIOT

Join us for an exhilarating, energized, and patriotic one-woman show that will have you singing, dancing, laughing, and creating new memories. Erinn Diaz's ageless tap dancing, timeless singing and goofy interaction with the audience members will have you hootin' and a-hollerin' for a long time. \*Registration requested, please call 910-455-7350. This project was supported by the N.C. Arts Council, a division of the Department of Natural & Cultural Resources, with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.  
**Commissioners Chambers, Onslow County Government Complex: May 18; 7pm**



## STORYTIMES

OCPL encourages developing early literacy skills right from birth with regular story times for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. All programs introduce books, reading, and language through age-appropriate stories, songs, rhymes and movement. Designed to create a foundation of reading readiness, our early literacy programs help children develop a joy for learning language and enjoying books. Parents and caregivers learn fun ways to help build the early literacy skills children need to become successful readers. Let's get Every Child Ready to Read @ your library!

### LAPTIME (0-12 months) – 9:30am

**Jacksonville:** Every Tue  
**Richlands:** Every Wed  
**Sneads Ferry:** Every Tue  
**Swansboro:** Every Wed

### TODDLER TIME (12-36 months) – 10:30 am

**Richlands:** Every Wed & Thu  
**Sneads Ferry:** Every Tue & Thu  
**Swansboro:** Every Wed & Thu

### SMALL WONDERS (13-24 months) – 9:30am

**Jacksonville:** Every Wed & Thu

### TIME FOR TWOS (24-36 months) – 10:30am

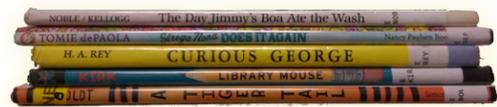
**Jacksonville:** Every Tue, Wed & Thu

### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (ages 3-5) – 11:30am

**Jacksonville:** Every Tue & Wed  
**Richlands:** Every Wed & Thu  
**Sneads Ferry:** Every Tue & Thu  
**Swansboro:** Every Thu

### STORYTIME TAKES A BREAK: May 30-June 9

so we can prepare for our annual Summer Reading Program!



### 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN (AGES BIRTH-5)

Can your child read 1000 Books Before Kindergarten? Research shows the biggest predictor of school success is the simple, enjoyable act of reading together regularly from birth to age five. We invite you to take up the challenge to build life-long learners as you bond through books with this fun, easy program. Talk to your librarian for more information.

**READ EARLY - READ TOGETHER - READ OFTEN**

## K-5

### ART & MORE (grades K-5)

Create your own masterpiece with a variety of materials and methods. Dress for a messy time!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 13, May 11; 5pm  
**Richlands:** Apr 5, May 10; 4:30pm  
**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 20, May 18; 4:30pm

### LEGO MY LIBRARY (grades K-5)

Children are invited to express their creativity and show their Lego building techniques, from simple to advanced.

**Jacksonville:** Apr 11, May 19; 4pm  
**Richlands:** Apr 7, May 12; 4pm  
**Sneads Ferry:** April 25, May 23; 4:30pm  
**Swansboro:** Apr 21, May 19; 4pm

### MY FIRST CHAPTER BOOK CLUB (grades 1 & 2)

Early readers will have fun discussing their books, working together on hands-on activities and strengthening their love of reading! *\*Register starting on the 15th of each month. The first five to register at the Youth Services desk will receive a free copy of the book. Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Onslow County.*

**Jacksonville:** Apr 12, May 10; 4:30pm

### AMERICAN GIRL CLUB (grades 2-5)

Celebrate a different American Girl character with snacks, crafts, books and games!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 18, May 16; 4:30pm

### GUYS NIGHT OUT (grades 3+)

Take a night out for pizza and fun with this book club just for guys. *\*Register starting on the 1st of each month. The first five guys to register at the Youth Services desk will receive a free copy of the book! Sponsored by Ray Evans III, RE/MAX ELITE REALTY GROUP*

**Jacksonville:** Apr 25, May 23; 6:30pm



## GET INVOLVED

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Onslow County Library believe they can personally make a difference at their library and in their community by improving all that makes their library great! A Friends Member Application can be obtained at any of the OCPL branches. Call your branch for more information or attend one of these meetings:

**Jacksonville:** Apr 26, 9:30am; May 24, 4pm

**Swansboro:** Apr 10, May 8; 9:30am

### SWANSBORO FRIENDS USED BOOK SALE

Shop for great deals on great titles! Donated gently used books.

**Swansboro:** Apr 8, May 13; 9am-1pm



### VETERAN'S EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Let NCWorks guide your search for employment with one-on-one help for veterans, transitioning service members, and eligible spouses.

**Jacksonville:** Every Fri; 1-3pm  
**Sneads Ferry:** Every Wed; 1-3pm  
**Swansboro:** Every Tues; 1-3pm  
**Richlands:** Every Wed; 1-3pm

### TECH HELP WITH CCC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Students from Coastal Carolina Community College IT are available to assist with your technology needs. Bring your device and your questions and let the experts help.

**Jacksonville:** Every Fri in Apr; 9-11am

### THE HAPPY HOBBYIST

Calling all crafters and hobbyists! Bring your own supplies and creativity, work on your hobby, and make new friends.

**Richlands:** Apr 7, May 12; 10am-12pm  
**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 10, May 8; 10am-12pm

### AN AFTERNOON WITH AN AUTHOR

Meet Patricia Hughey, author of *"Images of America: Onslow County."* Hughey is a retired Collections Manager from the Onslow County Museum and will be discussing Onslow County's unique history and her research into our past.

**Jacksonville:** Apr 8; 1pm

### GENEALOGY MEETING

Valuable info, ideas, and tips to successfully research your roots!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 10 (Pinterest for Genealogy Research), May 8 (Maps as a Research Tool); 10am

### COFFEE & CONVERSATION WITH THE DIRECTOR

Enjoy a cup of coffee and share what's on your mind, what you have been reading, or just come say, "Hello!" with our new Library Director!

**Jacksonville:** Apr 10; 10am-12pm  
**Swansboro:** Apr 11; 10am-12pm  
**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 12; 10am-12pm  
**Richlands:** Apr 13; 10am-12pm



## ADULTS

### BOOKS AT THE BISTRO

Mix and mingle at the White Oak Bistro in Swansboro, socialize with book talks and food for thought.

**White Oak Bistro, 206 W Corbett Ave, Swansboro:** Apr 11: *One Thousand White Women* by Jim Fergus, May 9: *Saving CeeCee Honeycutt* by Beth Hoffman; 11:30am.

### MONDAY MORNING MATINEE

Have an interest in Cinema; like to see a good movie? Join us for some good screen time.

**Sneads Ferry:** Apr 17 (*Florence Foster Jenkins*, PG-13), May 15 (*Sully*, PG-13); 10am

### COFFEE & A CLASSIC

Enjoy a cup of coffee and a classic movie with friends! *Sponsored by the Swansboro Friends of the Library.*

**Swansboro:** Apr 18 (*Singing in the Rain*, G), May 16 (*Field of Dreams*, PG); 10am



### LEGAL AID OF NC DIY CLINICS

Learn about your rights and how to handle basic legal issues without the help of a lawyer. Participants receive paperwork and general legal information only. No specific advice is given on individual cases. *Video clinics are free, advance registration is required: visit [legalaidnc.eventbrite.com](http://legalaidnc.eventbrite.com)*

Health Care and Power of Attorney  
**Jacksonville:** April 25; 2:30pm

Landlord and Tenant Rights  
**Jacksonville:** April 27; 2:30pm

Simple Divorce  
**Jacksonville:** May 18; 2:30pm

### CAREER DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

Onslow County Human Resources and NCWorks staff offers expert tips for online job applications, resumes, cover letters and interviews. Come prepared with details of work history and education experience. *\*Registration required*

**Jacksonville:** Apr 26; 2-5pm

### CELEBRATE NATIONAL POETRY MONTH WITH THE NC POET LAUREATE

Shelby Stephenson will read from *Elegies for Small Game*, a book of poems and

perform musical tributes to songwriter poets. *\*Registration requested.*

**Jacksonville:** Apr 29; 2pm

### GARDENING WITH SUCCULENTS IN THE SOUTH

Come learn about planting, ideas for their use, care and propagation of succulents in your garden. Presented by Master Gardener Marsha Horner.

*Sponsored by the Swansboro Friends of the Library.*

**Swansboro:** May 6; 10am



### PINTEREST PARTY

We pick a craft; you make and take home to enjoy! *\*Registration required - please contact the location to reserve your seat.*

**Swansboro:** May 12 (Dahlia Wreath); 10am

**Richlands:** May 13 (Washer Necklace); 10am

**Sneads Ferry:** May 20 (Washer Necklace); 10am

**Jacksonville:** May 13 (Button Bracelet); 10am



## READING IS YOUR TICKET TO ANYWHERE!

Check out our digital library kiosk while you wait for a flight at Albert J. Ellis Airport.

Thanks to a grant from the State Library of NC, Institute of Museum and Library Services and NC Natural and Cultural Resources, OCPL and the Jacksonville Friends of the Library have partnered with Overdrive to produce a digital library kiosk. Download an e-book, audiobook, or movie, check the weather, or use the photobooth app to snap a picture to share!

