

March & April 2019



Programs

**Tuesday, 4/16:**  
Easter Party @10 am  
(LJCL)  
Friends of JCPL @ 11:30  
am (LJCL)

**Wednesday, 4/17 @ 3 pm**  
(EPL)

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grams in March & April

Children's Programs

Laurel-Jones County  
Library:  
Tuesdays @ 10 a.m.

Ellisville Public Library:  
Thursdays @ 10 a.m.

FY 18-19

1st Quarter Statistics

Program Attendance....1,098  
Items Checked-out.....25,080  
Computer Usage.....5,510  
Library Visits.....16,428

Libraries=Strong  
**COMMUNITIES**



Celebrate  
**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**  
**APRIL 7-13, 2019**



**LIBRARIES  
TRANSFORM**

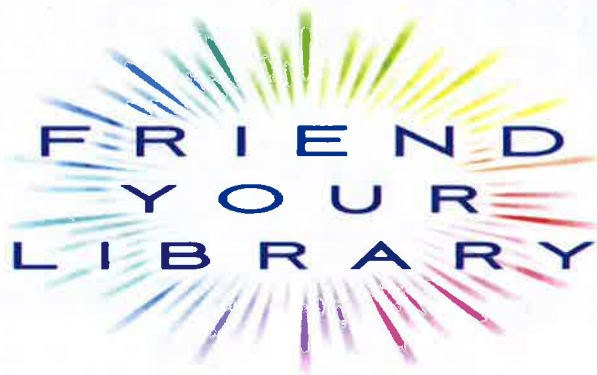
# Easter Egg Hunt



## STORYTIME PLAYDATE EASTER PARTY!!!

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. (auditorium LJCL)

Bring your favorite little "bunny" and their Easter basket for a hopping good time! We will have story time followed by a craft and an indoor Easter egg hunt! Light refreshments will be served. For more information, please see Kandice Schwan or Michelle Jones.



You are cordially invited to attend the Friends of Jones County Public Libraries 2019 Annual Membership Meeting to be held on April 16, 2019 @ 11:30 a.m. Lacy Elfinwood, MLC Consultant, will be the guest speaker. We will discuss upcoming events such as our 100th Anniversary Celebration, 2019 Summer Reading Program, the Adult/Children's Literacy Project, and National Library Week. If you aren't a current Friends member, we would love to have you join us and find out what we are all about! A light lunch will be provided & door prizes will be awarded to five lucky winners!

Ginny Cruz



*Mud Holes & Magnolias:*

*Lessons on Faith from  
Mama's Stories*

Book Signing

Ellisville Public Library

April 17, 2019,

3:00 p.m.– 5:30 p.m.

Ginny Cruz's Mississippi roots show in her common-sense lessons on life and faith. Whether she's assisting families as a pediatric physical therapist or penning a blog post, she weaves a good story as she teaches. Her recently released book, *Mud Holes and Magnolias: Lessons on Faith from Mama's Stories*, is a compilation of family stories and each one includes a spiritual lesson. She has written two children's books: *E is for Ellisville* and *Gracie's Greatest Gift*. Her weekly blog, *The Boot*, can be found on her website at [ginnycruz.com](http://ginnycruz.com). She'd love to connect with you on her social media platforms, all of which can be found on her website. She and her husband reside in Pensacola, FL. They enjoy many outdoor activities and are active in their church.



## Laurel-Jones County Library System, Inc. Schedule of Events

Tuesday, 3/5 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL)  
StoryTime PlayDate  
presented by Garden Club

Thursday, 3/7 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL)  
Imagination Station  
*Baa Baa Black Sheep* presented by staff

Tuesday, 3/12 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL)  
StoryTime PlayDate  
*How To Catch a Mermaid*  
presented by staff

Thursday, 3/14 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL)  
Imagination Station,  
*There Was an Old Lady who Swallowed a Clover*  
presented by staff

Tuesday, 3/19 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL)  
StoryTime PlayDate  
*Truck Full of Ducks* presented by staff

Thursday, 3/21 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL)  
Imagination Station  
Presented by Ellisville Garden Club

Tuesday, 3/26 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL) StoryTime PlayDate  
*Super Manny Stands Up* presented by staff

Thursday, 3/28 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL) *Boy + Bot*  
presented by staff



## Laurel-Jones County Library System, Inc. Schedule of Events

Tuesday, 4/2 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL)  
StoryTime PlayDate, presented by Garden Club

Thursday, 4/4 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL)  
Imagination Station  
*How To Catch A Mermaid*, presented by staff

Tuesday, 4/9 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL)  
StoryTime PlayDate  
*The Girl Who Wouldn't Brush Her Hair*  
presented by staff

Thursday, 4/11 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL)  
Imagination Station  
*Too Many Carrots*, presented by staff

Tuesday, 4/16 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL)  
StoryTime PlayDate-EASTER PARTY  
*We're Going On an Egg Hunt* presented by staff

Thursday, 4/18 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL)  
Imagination Station -EASTER PARTY  
Presented by Ellisville Garden Club & Friends of the EPL

Tuesday, 4/23 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL) StoryTime PlayDate  
*Over On the Farm* presented by staff

Thursday, 4/25 @ 10:00 a.m. (EPL) Imagination Station  
*Dalmation in a Digger*, presented by staff

Tuesday, 4/30 @ 10:00 a.m. (LJCL) StoryTime PlayDate  
*Brown Bear Brown Bear, What Do You See?* presented by staff

## Tie-Dye Easter Eggs

As a mom myself, I'm always looking for new ideas each year when it comes to decorating Easter eggs. I know I can't be the only one tired of the same old box dyes. I was excited to come across these Pinterest tie dye eggs and will be trying it out this year with my own kiddos! For those interested, the website is <https://mysweetmission.com/tie-dye-easter-eggs/> To save you some time here are the items needed and instructions! Happy Easter!

Kandice Schwan

### You Will Need:

- 12 hard-boiled eggs
- 12 paper towels, select-a-size sheets work well
- 12 twist ties or rubber bands
- 1 clean spray bottle
- Water
- White vinegar
- 1-2 pairs rubber gloves
- Food coloring; red, blue, green and yellow
- Stainless steel baking sheet
- Vegetable oil

### Instructions

1. Boil the eggs. Mix the water and vinegar in a clean spray bottle and put on a pair of rubber gloves. Lightly spray a paper towel with the water and vinegar mixture and gently squeeze out the excess. Wrap the damp paper towel around a hard-boiled egg. Gather the ends of the damp paper towel, as smooth as possible, and tie it securely with a twist tie or rubber band.
2. Take different colors of food coloring and drop, swirl or make designs onto the damp paper towel covered egg, then set on a baking sheet. Repeat the above steps with the other eggs.
3. Once all the eggs are wrapped and colored, hold each egg over a stainless steel sink, or a baking sheet, and gently spray with the water and vinegar mixture. This will blend the colors and give the eggs a beautiful effect. Set the eggs on a baking sheet as you go and allow them to rest for 1 hour.
4. Put gloves back again, untwist the tie or rubber band and remove the color-soaked paper towels. Set aside to dry for a few minutes.
5. Put a little vegetable oil in the palm of your hands and rub them together. Then take one egg at a time and gently coat them with the oil, this will give them a spectacular sheen. Allow them to sit a few minutes, then gently blot off (don't rub) the excess oil from each egg with a clean dry paper towel.

### Notes:

Don't over saturate the colored damp paper towel covered eggs with the water and vinegar mixture; you just want the colors to blend a bit.



Hope you all enjoy!

# Congratulations Sarah!

**Sarah Rice** has been selected as Laurel-Jones County Library System's **Employee of the Quarter!**

You will know Sarah by her big, beautiful smile and constantly cheerful disposition. She is always helpful and knowledgeable about her work while being the perfect representation of customer service. We are very blessed to have Sarah on our staff! Please let Sarah and all of our other wonderful library staff members know how much they are appreciated!

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2020**

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[2020census.gov/jobs](https://2020census.gov/jobs)



## Greater Pinebelt Region 2020 Census Job Fair

March 26, 2019 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Laurel-Jones County Library is pleased to announce that we have partnered with the United States Census Bureau (USCB) for a job fair! This event will be held upstairs in the auditorium of the library. Representatives from the USCB will be on site to discuss how to apply, job requirements, benefits, etc. Job positions with the USCB are an excellent opportunity to earn extra income with great benefits all while benefiting your community. The results of the 2020 Census will provide up-to-date information that helps to determine such things as Congressional representation and medical, educational, and infrastructure funding. Come join us and find out how you can benefit not only yourself and your family, but your entire county and the Great State of Mississippi!

# Laurel-Jones County LIBRARY SYSTEM, INC.

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### **Genealogy Dept.**

Thursday 1:00pm - 4:45pm  
Friday 9:00am - 4:45pm (closed 12-1)  
Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm (closed  
the 3rd Saturday of each month)

### **Ellisville Public Library (EPL)**

201 Poplar St.  
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Fax: 601-477-3004



Call for hours of operation or visit  
[www.laurel.lib.ms.us](http://www.laurel.lib.ms.us)



**APRIL 17, 11 :00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.**

**“Book” your appointment today to give blood at our 1st Annual Ellisville Public Library Blood Drive!**

**With prom season & summer right around the corner, the need for blood donations is on the rise. Please go to the link on our website or Facebook page to “book” your appointment to save someone’s life today! All donors will receive a free t-shirt while supplies last!**



The Laurel-Jones County Library’s Genealogy Department was recently presented a generous donation of \$2,000.00 by the Jones County Genealogical & Historical Organization (JCGHO). The JCGHO has always been extremely supportive of the library’s genealogy department and has been instrumental in helping to preserve family records and other historical memorabilia not only from Jones County, but across the world. The Organization meets every fourth Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium of the Laurel-Jones County Library. Meetings are free to attend and are open to the public.

Pictured are Carolyn Horne, JCGHO President and Susan Blakeney, LJCLS Genealogist  
By: Michelle Anderson-Jones, Public Relations Manager



**RESUME 101 / DRESS FOR SUCCESS WORKSHOP**

**April 26, 2019 9 a.m. -12:00 p.m.**

We are pleased to announce that we have partnered with Families First for Mississippi to provide a series of free workshops on resume writing to be followed by a short breakout session that focuses on the proper way to dress for an interview and the business world on a budget. For more information, please call library headquarters at 601-428-4313, see our website [www.laurel.lib.ms.us](http://www.laurel.lib.ms.us) or check us out on Facebook.