



***Take a Trip ... over land and sea, to India, Ireland, or into the Past ... and Don't Forget Your Free Souvenir***

If you haven't made plans to travel on spring break or if you are visiting our area, you can take a trip to your local library and go places. You can even take a trip on the Okaloosa County Public Transit buses to get to most local libraries.

Sign up for a special program during spring break and receive a souvenir! Libraries will give away various souvenirs, such as compasses and passports when you sign up for a program during spring break (March 23-30), while supplies last. Programs include "Irish Dancers, a Passport to India, Shipwrecks of Northwest Florida," and more. Surf the Internet for a complete schedule by visiting [www.readokaloosa.org](http://www.readokaloosa.org) or call your local library.

In addition to its online services, the Okaloosa County Public Library Cooperative (OCPLC) offers Book mobile services and a Books-by-Mail Program. The Books-by-Mail is a convenient service that supplies books, audio books and videos to people unable to use the library system. The Book Mobile is a similar service provided for those county residents unable to travel long distances or those without access to computers, videos, etc. The bookmobile makes regular stops at rehabilitation facilities, daycares, schools and senior centers, as well.

It is a priority at OCPLC libraries to assist its 100,000 patrons in finding the materials they want, and meet the needs of each community. Member libraries include Destin, Fort Walton Beach, Niceville, Mary Esther, Crestview and Valparaiso. The WAVE Bus stops at Crestview, Destin, Ft. Walton Beach (at Brooks St.), and Mary Esther and has future plans to include all library stops.

For more information call your local library or OCPLC at 850.609.5101. For bookmobile information call 850.689.5581 or 974.5890. The Book-by-Mail Program phone number is 850.729.4090. Visit OCPLC on the web [www.readokaloosa.org](http://www.readokaloosa.org) for city library information and calendars.

*-Schedule Follows-*

## **Take a trip to...**

- To the Past ... Now through March 31 ...Holzhauer Art Exhibit ... Crestview Robert L.F. Sikes Library
- **The Civil War Era! ... NOW - March 24, 10 AM-4 PM – Heritage Museum - “Centennial Faces” 49 photos by Florida photographer Alvan S. Harper on display.**
- **Ireland!** ... March 22 Irish Dancers at Niceville Community Center, 6:30 –( Library Family Night)
- **Into the Past** ... March 27-31 – Crestview ... Historic Preservation Board Spring Carnival (Spanish Trail Park)
- March 24, 1-3 PM ... Ft. Walton Beach...Family History Workshop
- **Kiwanis Yard Sale Spectacular ... March 24 ... 8AM-2PM ... Heritage Museum**

## ***Spring Break ... March 26-30 ... Take a Trip ...***

- Into the Past ... Valparaiso Community Library ... Genealogy Research for Teens & Pre-teens, all week!
- Special Animal Places ... Paws & Claws ... 10 AM ... Ft. Walton Beach
- Safe Sitter Classes ... Crestview ... Register by March 30, Classes Apr. 24 & 25, 2:30-5:30 PM
- Enter a Poetry Contest, Crestview, Entries due by March 30
- Voyage to the Seas ... April 3, 10:30 AM ... Crestview ...“Shipwrecks of Northwest Florida”
- See the Easter Bunny ... April 5, 9:30 AM ... Children Under 4 Years ... Destin
- Big Bad City ... Ed McBain Mystery ...noon-1 PM ... Bring lunch ... Ft. Walton Beach
- Crestview ... Poetry Reading ... April 10
- To India ... April 11, 4:15-5:30 Niceville ... India-After School Program, (ongoing program with passports & suitcases!)
- Wetlands ... April 14, 1-3 PM ... Ft. Walton Beach
- Into the Past ... April 17, 7 PM – Crestview ... Family Tree & Local History with Baker Block Museum
- **April 21, 9 AM-4 PM - Saturday in the Park (Perrine), Valparaiso – Heritage Arts Event by the Heritage Museum & Library Book Sale.**

## **Call to Schedule Your Trip ... (850)**

682-4432 Crestview ... 837-8572 Destin ... 833-9590 Ft. Walton Beach ...243-5731 Mary Esther

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729-4070 Niceville ...729-5406 Valparaiso ... 678-2615 Heritage Museum