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The Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce's mission is to be the voice of business in collaborative partnership that work to build and enhance a healthy business climate and a vibrant quality of life.

The Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce's vision is to be recognized as a model in building collaborative partnerships that encourage business growth and sustainable community development.

New Members

MAY

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Akridge Family Funeral Care (Alpha and Omega)
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Member Renewals

MAY

	Member Since		Member Since
Allied Security of Jacksonville, Inc.	8/11/1992	Lanier, Fountain, Ceruzzi, & Sabbah	9/22/1978
Alorica Jacksonville	2/14/2006	LaRue Hambrick Realty	1/21/1980
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority-Tau Omega Omega Chapter	4/8/2009	Liberty Tax Service & Financial Group	9/27/1995
American Red Cross Blood Services	5/7/2013	Marina Cafe	7/25/2006
Appraisal Service Company	6/1/1990	Marine Federal Credit Union	9/9/1979
Bailey & King Insurance	9/28/1980	MCAS New River Commanding Officer	8/1/1986
Bartley Insurance	11/12/1987	Mine Safety Appliances Company	7/15/1979
Bob's Auto Center, Inc.	7/20/2010	Mobile Mini Inc	6/15/2016
Budget Blinds of Jacksonville	9/23/2004	Modern Exterminating	3/20/1979
Century 21 Sweyer & Associates	6/20/2011	Morton Construction Company	9/25/1978
Charles F. Riggs & Associates, Inc.	5/11/1988	National Automotive Group, Inc.	9/25/1979
Childrens Museum of Jacksonville dba Zing Zumm	6/6/2011	Navy Federal Credit Union-Western	7/22/1987
Col Michael Williams, USMC (Ret)	5/18/2010	North Carolina Housing Finance Agency	6/25/2015
Courtyard by Marriott	5/27/2014	Onslow Grading & Paving, Inc.	4/25/1996
CPR Cell Phone & Computer Repair	4/10/2017	Onslow Pregnancy Resource Center	7/30/2014
CRI Properties	4/14/1999	Onslow Women's Center, Inc.	7/29/1997
Daniel Whitley III DDS PA DBA Eastern Carolina Dental	2/28/2018	Parker Dentistry	4/25/1996
Dunkin' Donuts	2/17/2010	PEERS Family Development Center	5/24/2003
First Bank	1/19/2006	Pepsi Cola / Minges Bottling Group	9/25/1979
Flying Dutchman Travel Agency	4/1/1982	Realty World Today	10/17/1991
Garris Evans Lumber Co.	9/12/1980	Rogers and Company CPAs PA	11/1/1983
Gordon E. Robinson Jr., Attorney At Law	5/21/1990	Servpro of Pender/West Onslow	4/17/2012
Inner Banks Media - Talk 96.3 & WNCT	7/17/2012	The Houser Law Firm, P.C	5/9/2016
J Z Mann Pediatric Therapy	4/22/1997	The Sue Cruddas Real Estate Team	5/26/2006
Jacksonville Mall	9/1/1981	Thomas J. Rojy Jr., MD, PA	8/11/1994
Jacksonville Rotary Club South	5/14/2014	Tire Country of Jacksonville, N.C.	11/17/1995
JFG Inc.	4/27/2011	Walmart	4/15/2008
John L. Pierce & Associates, P.A.	2/1/1985	Women's Healthcare Associates, PA	4/1/1988
Jones-Onslow EMC	9/22/1978	Wright Law Firm	4/24/1996
Lanier Surveying Co.	6/30/1998		



May 1

Belk Re-Grand Opening
300 Jacksonville Mall

Ribbon Cuttings



May 1

Airgas Store
162 Center St



May 11

Huntington Learning Center
2421 Gum Branch Rd #150



May 22

Jacksonville Country Club
2201 Country Club Rd



May 23

Runyon Photography
www.runyonphotography.com



May 28

Shuckin' Shack Oyster Bar
825 Gum Branch Road2421 Gum Branch Rd



May 29

Akridge Family Funeral Care
2861-3 Richlands Hwy

Small Business Center's Anne Shaw named Citizenship and Service Award Winner

The Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce presented the Duke Energy Citizenship and Service Award to Anne Shaw May 6 during the first day of National Small Business Week. Shaw is the director of Coastal Carolina Community College economic development (Small Business Center) and state director for the Small Business Center Network, North Carolina Community Colleges.

She helped establish Coastal Carolina's Small Business Center program in September of 1986. Under her leadership, Anne and Coastal's Small Business Center were recognized with the Excellent Small Business Center Award eight times since the award was established in 2000. In 2013, she received the State Director's Award and Coastal's Small Business Center was recognized with the Innovation Award for Programs and Services.

Her leadership resulted in Coastal Carolina Community College's Small Business Center being recognized with the Innovation Award for Programs and Seminars by N.C. Community College System's Small Business Center. The award follows new educational programs and seminars offered by CCCC, such as the Boots to Business class.

Shaw's volunteer involvement includes serving and serving as chair for numerous civic and charitable organizations, including the Downtown Redevelopment Board, Jacksonville Lion Club and the United Way of Onslow County.

She has been recognized previously as one of the "Ten most influential women in Onslow County" and awarded with the governor's Long Leaf Pine.

Shaw dedicated her receipt of the award to God and thanked the many people who have helped her during her

time at Coastal Carolina Community College, including retired president Dr. Ronald Lingle.

"Thank you for believing me, even when I was young and inexperienced and didn't believe in myself," Shaw said.

She also acknowledged current president David Heatherly and vice president Sharon McGinnis for helping her along the way; and recognized her family members in attendance, including her husband Chuck.

The Citizenship and Service Award is a tribute to individuals or groups who make a difference in their communities or places of work by using their time, talents and compassion to positively impact the lives of others. Recipients of the award help foster a culture of citizenship and service that acts as a catalyst for others to become involved in civic and social activities. The award is designed to recognize outstanding volunteer service and civic participation.



l-to-r Chamber President- Laurette Leagon, Award Winner Anne Shaw, Duke Energy Progress - District Manager for Government and Community Relations- Millie Chalk

Brown Properties named 2019 Small Business of the Year

JACKSONVILLE – The Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce, along with First Citizens Bank and Duke Energy, named Brown Properties of North Carolina, Inc. the 2019 Small Business of the Year on May 10.

Jeb and Shawn Brown were recognized for their hard work and successes during breakfast at Onslow Memorial Hospital as part of the closing for National Small Business Week celebrations in Jacksonville.

Jeb Brown said the three things driving his family's real estate business are his team, customers and reputation. And reputation, he added plays a big part in what they do – with the company namesake coming from his own name.

“Our product is ourselves,” Brown said.

Scott Riggs, commercial banker for First Citizens Bank, presented Jeb and Shawn Brown with the award, and commended them for their work.

Brown Properties was nominated for the award by Beth Purcell, who wrote Jeb and Shawn Brown make a difference in the community by using their time, talents and compassion to make a positive impact.

She was especially moved by their dedication during the disaster and recovery of Hurricane Florence last fall.

“As property managers of more than 400 residential properties with Brown Properties, they worked tirelessly around the clock in the days and months after Hurricane Florence to meet the needs of employees, property owners and renters impacted by storm damages and relocations,” Purcell wrote. “They stayed in place during the storm, sending their two school-aged children to stay with relatives in Western North Carolina in order to focus on serving their property owners and renters.”

The Browns are not only dedicated to their business, but remain active as members of the Chamber of Commerce by supporting several events and serving on the Business

Diversity Council, Jacksonville Onslow Leadership Council, Board of Directors and Small Business Council.

Jeb serves on the Onslow Memorial Hospital Foundation Board and is an active Rotarian. Shawn serves on the board of the Jacksonville Friends of the Library. The Browns have two children and are active supporters of the Parkwood and Northwoods Park PTA.

“In the office, in the field, or in the community, the owners of Brown Properties exhibit initiative, creativity, all with a positive attitude and a smile,” Purcell wrote.

Small Business Week is made possible by First Citizens' Bank, Duke Energy, Under Construction Safety, Coastal Carolina Community College Small Business Center, Jacksonville Country Club and Onslow Memorial Hospital.



l-to-r First Citizens Bank Vice President for Onslow Commercial Banking-Scott Riggs, Brown Properties Owners- Jeb & Shawn Brown

Conference Room Rental Information



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Sports Hall of Fame Room

1-4 hours Member Rate: \$75

Non-member Rate: \$150

5-8 hours Member Rate: \$150

Non-member Rate: \$300

Seats: 28-68



Executive Room

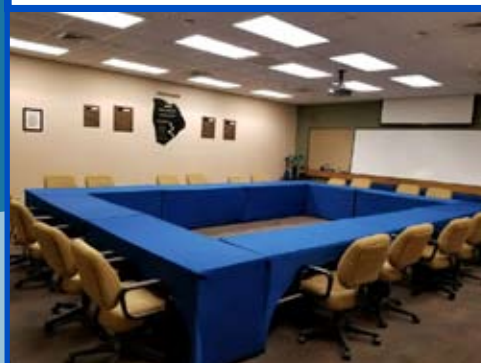
1-4 hours Member Rate: \$50

Non-member Rate: \$110

5-8 hours Member Rate: \$100

Non-member Rate: \$220

Seats: 20-40



Virtual Office

Member Rate: \$7 per hour

Non-member Rate: \$14

Complementary beverages are not included

Seats: 4



Past Chairman's Room

1-4 hours Member Rate: \$30

Non-member Rate: \$65

5-8 hours Member Rate: \$60

Non-member Rate: \$130

Seats: 8



Storm Room

1-4 hours Member Rate: \$40

Non-member Rate: \$90

5-8 hours Member Rate: \$80

Non-member Rate: \$175

Seats: 16



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Almost every room is customizable. We have conference, classroom, and theater style set up available.

Each room comes with free Wi-Fi. Complementary soda, coffee, and ice vary by room.

For more information or to reserve a room, please contact the Commerce Center Coordinator at (910) 347-3141 ext. 221 or coordinator@jacksonvilleonline.org

MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Committee's purpose is to maintain and continually improve the relationship between the military and civilian communities.

May's Service Member of the Month

Corporal Hyland, John

John Alexander Hyland was born April 8th 1996 in New Brunswick New Jersey. He graduated High School at Emmaus High school, Pennsylvania May 2014. He attended Kutztown University before arriving at Parris Island, South Carolina for recruit training May 9th 2016. He graduated recruit training with 3rd Bn., Mike Company Platoon 3061 August 5th as a Private. Private Hyland attended Marine Combat Training in Camp Geiger, North Carolina. Following the completion of Marine Combat Training, Private Hyland reported to the Marine Artillery Scout Observer Course in Fort Sill, Oklahoma where he earned the rank Private First Class. After graduating Fire Support Marine School in Coronado, California Private First Class Hyland reported to 2d Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company in Camp Lejeune North Carolina and was assigned to 2nd Brigade on December 17th 2016. Private First Class Hyland participated in Burmese Chase May 2017, attended JADOCS Operator Course June 2017, and graduated the ANGLICO Basic Course in July 2017. Private First Class Hyland was promoted to Lance Corporal July 2017. Lance Corporal Hyland deployed to Syria in support of Operation Inherent Resolve as a Forward Observer on a Firepower Control team with 1st Battalion 10th Marines September 2017. Lance Corporal Hyland reported back to 2nd Brigade, 2d ANGLICO January 2018. Lance Corporal Hyland graduated Joint Fire's Observer Course in Little Creek, Virginia March 2018. Lance Corporal Hyland graduated the Cold Weather Warfare Instructor Course in Elverum, Norway April 2018 at the School of Winter Warfare. Lance Corporal Hyland was promoted meritoriously to Corporal May 2nd 2018. Corporal Hyland participated in Burmese Chase May 2018 in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina and participated in Green Cannon July 2018 in Salisbury, England as a Firepower Control Team Chief for Firepower Control Team 7. Corporal

Hyland participated in Trident Juncture in multiple areas of operations in Norway Fall 2018. Corporal Hyland graduated the Royal Netherlands Marine's Arctic Movement and Survival Course in Åsegarden, Norway March 2019. Corporal Hyland is currently continuing his military and professional education and remains at 2d ANGLICO as a Chief for FCT 7.

Corporal Hyland's awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal (w/ one bronze star), Navy Arctic Service Ribbon, and a Certificate of Commendation.



Economic Indicators & Other Charts

How to read the Charts:
The Airport Passengers Chart, Tax Reports, Healthcare Stats and Utilities Connect and Disconnects are shown as monthly or quarterly comparisons on the specific rows. The totals shown at the bottom are the Year to Date totals for each year and does not include the numbers shown in Italics.

TAX REPORTS				
MONTHLY TAXABLE SALES: SOURCE: NC DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE				
OCCUPANCY TAX: SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY				
Monthly Report of Taxable Sales				
17-18	Taxable Sales	17-18	Taxable Sales	% Change
Jul-17	\$176,001,283	Jul-18	\$194,582,338	10.56%
Aug-17	\$175,923,030	Aug-18	\$191,474,148	8.84%
Sep-17	\$170,773,046	Sep-18	\$179,899,105	5.34%
Oct-17	\$166,205,341	Oct-18	\$162,662,167	-2.31%
Nov-17	\$158,839,850	Nov-18	\$205,477,971	29.36%
Dec-17	\$166,147,995	Dec-18	\$209,559,140	26.13%
Jan-18	\$190,951,446	Jan-19	\$221,950,803	16.23%
Feb-18	\$145,494,737	Feb-19	\$183,143,879	25.88%
Mar-18	<i>\$157,865,496</i>			
Apr-18	<i>\$184,676,634</i>			
May-18	<i>\$172,895,493</i>			
Jun-18	<i>\$177,433,672</i>			
YTD Total	\$1,184,188,733	YTD Total	1,548,749,551	14.69%
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>				

Occupancy Tax Report			
	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>	%
July	\$391,718.29	\$462,461.06	18.06%
August	\$345,186.90	\$353,283.12	2.35%
September	\$184,118.54	\$203,610.20	10.59%
October	\$123,496.32	\$196,372.41	37.11%
November	\$96,428.37	\$179,777.01	86.41%
December	\$69,491.16	\$151,254.46	117.66%
January	\$81,254.97	\$139,425.68	41.72%
February	\$85,695.58	\$139,912.25	63.26%
March	\$110,256.28	\$169,653.98	35.00%
April	\$120,142.13	\$171,338.39	30.00%
May	<i>\$150,439.80</i>		%
June	<i>\$324,830.51</i>		%
Total:	\$1,401,950.83	\$2,024,895.86	31.00%

UTILITIES				
UTILITIES: SOURCES: CITY OF JACKSONVILLE & ONWASA				
City of Jacksonville & ONWASA Water				
	Connects		Disconnects	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
1st Qtr	4,953	4,550	3,821	4,513
2nd Qtr	5,378	1,638	4,983	1,554
3rd Qtr	<i>3,800</i>		<i>4,058</i>	
4th Qtr	<i>1,775</i>		<i>1,911</i>	
YTD Total	4,953*	6,188	3,821*	6,067
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>				

HEALTHCARE	
OMH ER: SOURCE: ONSLOW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	
OMH BIRTH: SOURCE: ONSLOW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	
NAVAL HOSPITAL ER: SOURCE: NAVAL HOSPITAL, CAMP LEJEUNE	
NAVAL HOSP BIRTHS: SOURCE: NAVAL HOSPITAL CAMP LEJEUNE	

Onslow Memorial Hospital Emergency Room Visits		
	2018	2019
1 st Quarter	15,280	13,547
2 nd Quarter	<i>15,462</i>	4,442
3 rd Quarter	<i>14,824</i>	
4 th Quarter	<i>14,731</i>	
YTD Total	15,280	17,989
Onslow Memorial Hospital Live Births		
	2018	2019
1 st Quarter	307	313
2 nd Quarter	<i>303</i>	99
3 rd Quarter	<i>357</i>	
4 th Quarter	<i>348</i>	
YTD Total	307	412
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>		

Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune Emergency Room Visits		
	2018	2019
1 st Quarter	13,134	13,036
2 nd Quarter	<i>13,393</i>	4,115
3 rd Quarter	<i>11,582</i>	
4 th Quarter	<i>11,909</i>	
YTD Total	13,134	17,151
Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune Live Births		
	2018	2019
1 st Quarter	480	458
2 nd Quarter	<i>459</i>	107
3 rd Quarter	<i>499</i>	
4 th Quarter	<i>449</i>	
YTD Total	480	565

TRANSPORTATION		
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: SOURCE: OUTS, JTS		
ALBERT ELLIS AIRPORT: SOURCE: ALBERT J ELLIS AIRPORT		
Public Transportation Riders - 2019-20		
System	April	Fiscal YTD
Onslow United Transit System	7,620	71,761
Jacksonville Transit System	9,044	92,067
Military Express	1,658	13,496
Total	18,322	177,324

Albert J Ellis Airport Total Passengers			
	2018	2019	% Change
January	19,905	23,549	18%
February	21,064	22,739	8%
March	27,481		%
April	26,425		%
May	28,587		%
June	26,867		%
July	29,082		%
August	30,838		%
September	18,324		%
October	26,168		%
November	27,468		%
December	26,451		%
YTD Total	308,660	46,288	11%
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>			

HOUSING	
ONSLOW ABSORPTION RATES: SOURCE: JACKSONVILLE NC MARKET CENTER	

Onslow County Absorption Rates 2019					
Information provided by Coldwell Banker Fountain Realty, William Sanders. As of 4/30/19, info obtained from the Jacksonville Board of Realtors MLS. These numbers do not include: REO, Short Sales, & Townhomes.					
Price of Home	# of Months	# Sold	Sales Rate Per Month	# Currently Active*	# of Month's Of Inventory
≤ \$150,000	4	365	91.25	59	0.65
\$150,001 - \$200,000	4	387	96.75	94	0.97
\$200,001 - \$250,000	4	180	45.00	61	1.36
\$251,001 - \$300,000	4	45	11.25	32	2.84
\$300,001 +	4	57	14.25	89	6.25
TOTAL		1034		335	

New Construction Price	# of Months	# Sold	Sales Rate Per Month	# Currently Active*	# of Month's Of Inventory
≤ \$150,000	4	0	0.00	0	12.00
\$150,001 - \$200,000	4	66	16.50	41	2.48
\$200,001 - \$250,000	4	106	26.50	107	4.04
\$251,001 - \$300,000	4	45	11.25	51	4.53
\$300,001 +	4	42	10.50	44	4.19
TOTAL		259		243	

BUSINESS STATS		
COUNTY PERMITS: SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY		
CITY PERMITS: SOURCE: CITY OF JACKSONVILLE		
City of Jacksonville Building Permits		
March 2019	#	Value
Residential	22	\$679,453
Commercial	81	\$1,583,042
Other	210	\$90,816
Total	330	\$2,353,311

County Building Permits			
FY2017-18	Res BPs	Com BPs	Total Value
1st Qtr Totals	678	174	\$31,124,290
2nd Qtr Totals	697	123	\$40,257,582
3rd Qtr Totals	713	143	\$34,061,981
4th Qtr Totals	889	181	\$34,853,330
FY Totals	2,977	621	\$140,297,183
FY2018-19	Res BPs	Com BPs	Total Value
1st Qtr Totals	779	135	\$26,959,313
2nd Qtr Totals	1,257	163	\$40,163,911
3rd Qtr Totals	1078	164	\$44,634,113
4th Qtr Totals	373	80	\$20,483,144
FY Totals	3,487	542	\$132,240,481

CAMP LEJEUNE & MCAS	
NR GOVERNMENT AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS (GER) CAMP LEJEUNE, NC.	

Camp Lejeune Area Active Duty USN/USMC Statistics		
Location	10/15/2018	04/15/2019
Camp Lejeune	31,172	31,374
MARSOC	2,258	2,330
New River	6,374	6,325
TECOM Schools	4,817	6,010
Total	44,621	46,039
USMC Deployed Total	4,914	



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UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES	
SOURCE: NC DEPT OF COMMERCE	
Unemployment rates from NC Works - NC Dept of Commerce	
Area Name	Onslow County
Year	2019
Month	March
Labor Force	65,359
Employed	62,168
Unemployed	3,191
Unemployment Rates	4.9%

ONSLOW COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS	
ASSUMED BUSINESS NAMES, DEATHS, BIRTHS AND MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES FOR THE PREVIOUS 3 YEARS. SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS	

Register of Deeds			
Assumed Names		Deaths	
2016	560	2016	812
2017	580	2017	804
2018	556	2018	863

Births		Marriages	
2016	3,519	2016	2,677
2017	3,535	2017	2,629
2018	3,267	2018	2,698

EDUCATION	
SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN	

Onslow County: Child Care Snapshot April 2019 (State Regulated for children birth to 12)					
License Type	# facilities	# slots	# enrolled	Capacity	# staff
NC 5 star	22	2,894	2,819	97%	435
NC 4 star	11	376	339	90%	53
NC 3 star	19	544	493	91%	95
NC 2 star	1	8	8	100%	1
NC 1 star	7	133	133	100%	16
NC Religious	6	460	440	96%	71
NC Temporary					
NC Provisional					
NC Probationary					
Totals	66	4,415	4,232	96.0%	671



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MARKETING DIVISION REPORT	
SOURCE: FACEBOOK ANALYTICS	
Social	
Facebook	4,298
Followers are women (Engaged Onslow page followers are 95% women)	77%
Followers are men	22%
Average posrs per week	17
People reached through photo post	765
Followers in Jacksonville	1,696
Followers in surrounding areas	439

From May 1- May 28, 16,307 people reached through the chamber's Facebook page. This is up 66 percent from last month, although social media trends may fluctuate drastically month to month. In general, post engagement (clicks or likes to posts) has increased in May.

The page received 4,325 engagements, which is an 8% increase from April. It is also performing well compared to other local nonprofits on Facebook, with 26 more post engagements than the Onslow County Partnership for Children the week of May 27. The chamber ranks No. 2 in a list of five similar pages, according to Facebook insights.

Posts that do well and receive the most shares are things the chamber is doing in the community, such as the presentation of CTE scholarships to Onslow County high school students. The scholarship post had 265 engagements, while more routine posts to the page receive about 10. Tweets earned 1,559 impressions over the last 28 days.

Website	
Page views from May 1-28	5,572
Web visitors are new members	76%
Returning Visitors	24%

A total of 2279 website sessions were reported by Monster Insights for jacksonvilleonline.org in May.

Popular pages this month were the business directory and signature events page. Of interesting note is where the chamber's online referrals come from. Most of them are directed from the Weblink site, where members can log in and view their profiles. The No. 2 source of website referrals is the chamber Facebook page.

** These numbers are based on organic visitors to the chamber's Facebook page and website, without the use of paid promotions.*



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SATURDAY

- SELINA ALBRIGHT
- OCJF ALL-STARS FEATURING
CYRUS CHESTNUT, MARK WHITFIELD,
DERRICK GARDNER AND JOHN BROWN
- ERIC DARIUS

SUNDAY

- GAIL JOHNSON
- JOHN BROWN QUINTET
- ADAM HAWLEY
W/ SPECIAL GUEST KAT HAWLEY
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MARCUS ANDERSON



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CTE Scholarship winners selected



The Jacksonville Onslow Chamber of Commerce hosted voting for the Career and Technical Education- Onslow County Schools scholarships May 20. Olivia Rosage of Jacksonville High School was awarded first place with a scholarship of \$500, and Richlands High School student Riley Jarman was awarded a second-place scholarship of \$250. Olivia interned with the Onslow County district attorney's office and plans to pursue law. Riley interned with the N.C. Cooperative Extension Office and would like to become an agricultural agent through the extension one day. The two were selected out of a group of seven students who presented on their internship experiences and how it impacted their career choices. Great job, Onslow County seniors!

Game Nights Now Legal in North Carolina

Nonprofits can hold special casino game nights at fundraisers across most of North Carolina and serve alcoholic beverages to guests without breaking state gambling laws. Gov. Roy Cooper signed HB130 |

Allow Game Nights on May 10. The bill, which was supported by the North Carolina Travel Industry Association, allows nonprofits to operate such events occasionally. According to The Insider, bill

Supporters said such entertainment has been technically illegal, with uneven prosecution by district attorneys. Cooper vetoed a 2017 bill and said he was worried the measure could attract video poker back to the state. The bill was also opposed by the Eastern Band of Cherokees at the time. Governor Cooper's office said concerns have been addressed when the bill was changed to only apply east of Interstate 26

To appease casino interests. The law took effect June 1, 2019.



The Leadership 2018-2019 Group completed their program with graduation on May, 30

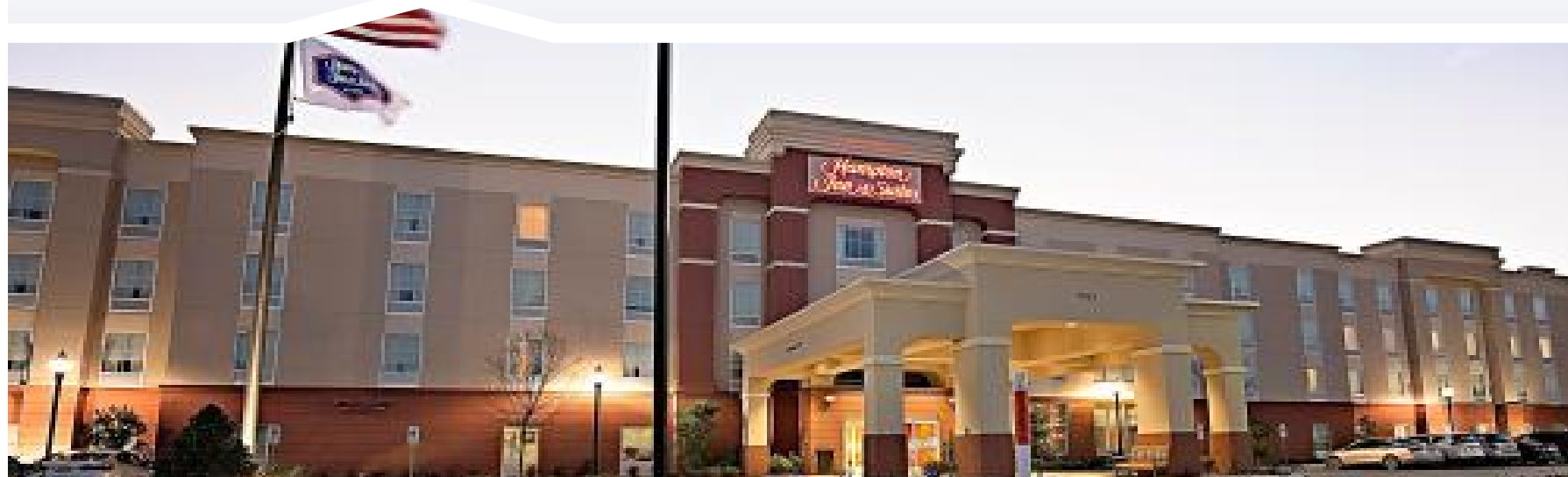


Shown with their certificates: L-R front row: Amanda Humphrey, Sabrina Thomas, Amanda Garrett, Jennifer Kellum, Paula Webb, Teresa Miller. L-R back row: Jessica Coston, Rosh Foskey, Terri Campbell, Janis Steele, and Amy Davis. Not pictured: Jeb Brown and Joe Duane.

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Marine FCU Turned 60 and Raises \$60,000



April was a month to celebrate, and to raise funds. On April 24, Marine Federal Credit Union turned 60 years young. Jacksonville Mayor Sammy Phillips proclaimed it Marine Federal Credit Union Day and members stopped in to enjoyed food and giveaways.

Marty Goldman, Chairman of the Board of Directors said, “We believe that only by giving back to the community is an organization truly part of it.”

Two days later, on April 26, between 164 golfers, sponsors, and Marine Federal employees, a total of \$60,000 was raised from our annual charity golf tournament.

Marine FCU President/CEO Jeff Clark said, “When choosing an organization to reap the benefits of our fund raising, we’ve shifted a bit from years gone by. As we continue to grow, we see our impact in the community. With that in mind, the lion’s share of proceeds went to organizations closely aligned with our military and the communities supporting them. Case-in-point: those receiving monies this year were The USO of Jacksonville, Hope for the Warriors®, Crime Stoppers, and United Way. This community was heavily impacted by Hurricane Florence, so it’s very rewarding to give \$60,000 back to it!”

The USO of Jacksonville has been a long-time recipient of Marine FCU’s golf tournament fundraising efforts and is the longest serving USO in the United States, opening its doors in April of 1942. To-date, a total of \$762,300 has been raised for this organization.

“The USO has been the nation’s premier organization serving the men and women of the U.S. military and have led the effort in North Carolina of supporting Marines, families, and the communities that serve them,” said Craig Yohe (SgtMaj, USMC Ret), Marine Federal’s Financial Instructor and Military Liaison.



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From the desk of Donna Hammonds



Summer is upon us, Onslow County!

Having taken many rides out to the beach at North Topsail as well as navigating the streets of historic downtown Swansboro lately, it's nice to see the array of out-of-state license plates. Summer vacationers are arriving! As the tourism manager for Onslow County, it's awesome to see the line of folks patiently waiting for their turn to savor the flavors of Onslow at many of our waterfront and local area restaurants.

We've looked forward to these days for months. It's so heartwarming to see our local business owners thriving as the tourist season begins. Entrepreneurs of Onslow County have certainly had their plates full dealing with repairs from last fall's storm damage. Many are still dealing with post Florence recovery, but there is a bright light shining at the end of the road. Our community has proven to be resilient by working together, neighbors helping neighbors, and we're so fortunate to be led by strong leadership in our local and county government. #OnslowStrong!

Onslow County Tourism's office was very busy during the month of May hosting press trips showcasing our area restaurants, attractions and things to do. The traveler writers and journalists were impressed at how wonderful our area looked considering everything that we've endured.

One journalist in particular, Elizabeth Hudson, who is the chief editor for Our State Magazine, along with her mom, Susie Hudson, expressed that their experiences in Onslow County were some of the most memorable they've ever had. They embarked on a dinner cruise aboard the Bayonet, which is a chartered yacht situated along the New River in Jacksonville, went trawling for shrimp in Sneads Ferry with Reel Livin' Fishing Charters, partook of the spirits at Walton's Distillery, visited our beautiful Lejeune Memorial Gardens, toured

Mike's Farm and their new NC Products Barn, sampled fritters at Yana's and dined at several of our local restaurants. To top it off, Elizabeth was thrilled at finding her "first" sand dollar ever, on our beaches of Onslow County during a shelling cruise with Marsh Cruises in Swansboro. Elizabeth shared that she's visited many beaches in Eastern NC but discovering Hammocks Beach State Park's Bear Island and finding her handful of treasures was truly a unique one-of-a-kind experience that she will forever cherish.

It's always an amazing experience to see our county through someone else's eyes, a fresh perspective on things that we often take for granted. We do live in such a special place. There is truly something for everyone; from our picturesque farmland countryside to our beautiful beaches. In my mind, Onslow County Tourism's logo and tagline, created many years ago, remains accurate and descriptive in portraying our area; Only in Onslow, "Where beauty and pride come together."

Wishing you and yours many happy summer memories in Onslow!



Service Rewards

A community is only as good as the citizens that live and work within its borders. This month we celebrate the frontline employees that go the extra mile to make your visits an above average experience in Swansboro, Sneads Ferry, Richlands, and Jacksonville! The two individuals, representing five area businesses; have performed their duties with a positive outlook, a kind word, and valued information for our visitors and citizens - they went the extra mile! Onslow County Tourism and the Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce want to thank them for their efforts and encourage you to do the same. Good service is good business!



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