



## 1st Thursday Schedule at Waccamaw Neck Branch Library Spring 2016

**Jan 7 - Ed Piotrowski** - Chief Meteorologist at ABC 15 News joins us for our inaugural 1st Thursday conclave and will share with us some *Precipitation Education*. Having spent his entire 25 year career here in the Coastal Carolinas, Ed's extensive knowledge of our subtropical weather is unmatched. And you won't want to miss his predications for the New Year and beyond!

**Feb 4 - Sierra Leone: A Mother's Journey** with **Tanya Ackerman**, award-winning photojournalist and staff photographer at The Coastal Observer. Tanya will treat us to a singular opportunity to enjoy both her exceptional photographs and her candid personal experiences from this amazing trip to visit her daughter Lauren in West Africa during the fall of 2015.

**Mar 3 - Was 2015 The Summer of the Shark - Were the Shark Attacks of Last Summer a Bunch of Bull (Sharks)?** with **Dr. Dan Abel**, Coastal Carolina University Marine Science professor says sharks tend to be in our waters as the days get longer and as water temperatures reach 70 degrees. Find out his thoughts on whether the coming season will see a repeat last year's record shark encounters along our coast.

**April 7 - Tom Poland's Classic Carolina Road Trips**, based on his book by the same name, provides a photo-illustrated, armchair sojourn down the backroads of our state. Travel with him on this statewide look at some of South Carolina's most interesting places you'll surely want to add to your own "must-visit" list.

**May 5 - Zinnia Willits** - Director of Collections at Charleston's Gibbes Museum of Art will give us the latest scoop on the *major renovations* that have had her museum under wraps since late 2014. And as The Gibbes readies for its *grand reopening*, with its extensive collections showcased in fine new surroundings, you'll get all the details from the "ultimate insider" on this newly reinvented Beaux-Arts gem.

**June 2 - Susan Hoffer McMillan** - local author, historian and archaeologist presents exciting findings from archaeological digs both at rice plantation sites on the Brookgreen Gardens property and at the Ark manor- house- turned-tavern in Surfside Beach where she has been heading a team of dedicated volunteer researchers in ongoing efforts to unearth the *hidden treasures of our historical past*.

**The library is located at 41 St. Paul Place in Pawleys Island.  
1st Thursday events begin at 10 AM and all adults are welcome.**