

## Community Calendar

**Alcoholics Anonymous.** Open meeting every Wednesday at 7 am at the Williams Community Church Fellowship Hall on East Fork Road in Williams. This meeting is open to those who have a drinking problem and have a desire to stop drinking, and also to anyone interested in the Alcoholics Anonymous program of recovery from drinking.

**American Association of University Women (AAUW) Grants Pass Branch** meets monthly September through May, usually Thursday evenings or Saturday mornings at Bethany Presbyterian Church. Membership is open to those holding an associate of arts degree or higher from an accredited college or university. Contact Susan Riell at riells@sbcglobal.net or 541-956-2159, or Linda Rahberger at lr97526@gmail.com or 541-659-4669. Visit grantspass-or.aauw.net, Facebook and Pinterest.

**Applegate Christian Fellowship.** For service times, call 541-899-8732 24/7.

**Applegate Fire District Board of Directors** meets on the third Wednesday of each month at Station 1, 18489 North Applegate Road at 7:30 pm, except for March, April and May, when meetings are held at Headquarters, 1095 Upper Applegate Road. For more information, call 541-899-1050.

**Applegate Food Pantry,** located behind Ruch School, is open most Mondays from 11:30 to 1 pm. Call Arlene at 541-951-6707.

**Applegate 4-H Swine Club** meets on Tuesdays following the third Wednesday of every month at 7 pm. For more information, contact Charles Elmore at 541-846-6528 or Barbara Niedermeyer at 541-846-7635.

**Applegate Friends of Fire District #9** meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Fire Station at 1095 Upper Applegate Road at 6 pm. New members are welcome. For more information, call Bob Fischer 541-846-6218.

**Applegate Library** is open Tuesday and Friday from 2 to 6 pm and Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. Storytime is Tuesday at 2:30 pm. 18485 North Applegate Road.

**Applegate Neighborhood Network (ANN)** meets the last Wednesday of every month at the Ruch Library. All interested persons are welcome to attend. ANN is a community organization dedicated to protecting, preserving, and restoring the Applegate watershed. For more information about ANN, call Duane Bowman, 541-899-7264.

**Applegate Partnership and Watershed Council** meets the fourth Thursday of the month at the Applegate Library. For more information, call 541-899-9982.

**Applegate Valley Community Grange** meets the second Sunday of each month for a potluck and a business meeting. Call 541-846-7501 for times. 3901 Upper Applegate Road.

**Applegate Valley Garden Club** meets at 1:30 pm on the third Wednesday of the month from September through May. For meeting locations and programs, call Sandra King at 541-899-9027 or Betty Lou Smith at 541-846-6817.

**Food & Friends Senior Nutrition Program** invites local seniors (60-plus) to enjoy a nutritious, hot meal served at 11:30 am Monday through Friday at the Jacksonville IOOF Hall at the corner of Main and Oregon Streets. A donation is suggested and appreciated. Volunteers help serve meals or deliver meals to homebound seniors. For information about volunteering or receiving meals, call Food & Friends at 541-664-6674, x246 or x208.

**Friends of Ruch Library Board of Directors** meets on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at Ruch Library. All are welcome. 541-899-7438.

**Grants Pass Nordic Ski Club** meets on the first Thursday of the month, November through April, at Elmer's, 175 NE Agness Avenue, Grants Pass, at 6 pm. Ski outings are on Saturdays. Listings are on the snow phone at 541-592-4977.

**Greater Applegate Community Development Corporation** meets the second Wednesday of January, April, July and October at 6 pm at Applegate Fire District Station 1, 18489 North Applegate Road. For more information, go to [www.gacdc.org](http://www.gacdc.org).

**Josephine County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)** meets Thursdays at 6 pm. For meeting information, call 541-474-6840.

**Ruch Library** is open Tuesday from 11 am to 5 pm, Thursday from 1 to 7 pm, and Saturday from 12 to 4 pm. Storytime is Tuesday at 11 am. 7919 Highway 238.

**Sanctuary One** is open to the public for farm tours every Wednesday and Saturday, 10:30 am to noon. Minimum donation is \$10. Reservations are required. Call 541-899-8627 or email [info@sanctuaryone.org](mailto:info@sanctuaryone.org).

**Siskiyou Audubon Society (free program)** meets the second Tuesday of each month, September - June, at 6:30 pm at Grants Pass High School cafeteria (Room 611), 830 NE 9th Street, and features expert birding scientists and bird biologists. Refreshments served. More information: John Taylor 541-476-9846.

**Southern Oregon Beekeepers Association** meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at the OSU extension. For more information, please contact [sobeekers@gmail.com](mailto:sobeekers@gmail.com).

**T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** meets every Monday morning at Applegate Church, 18960 North Applegate Road (at the corner of Highway 238). Weigh-in starts at 8:30 am; the meeting starts at 9:00 am. Come join us!

**Williams Creek Watershed Council** meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 pm at the Williams Fire Station. The public is welcome. For more information, call 541-846-9175.

**Williams Grange Pancake Breakfast,** second Sunday of each month, 8:30 to 11 am, followed by the Bluegrass Jam, 11 am to 1 pm. Closed July and August. 20100 Williams Highway near Tetherow Road. For more information, call 541-846-6844.

**Williams Grange #399 Business Meeting,** second Tuesday of each month, 7 pm. 20100 Williams Highway near Tetherow Road. For more information, call 541-846-6844.

**Williams Library** is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 1 to 5 pm. Stories, crafts and skill-sharing every Tuesday at 3:45 pm and Saturday at 2 pm. All ages welcome at free programs by local volunteers. Free Wi-Fi 24/7. 20100 Williams Highway. For more information, call Danielle Schreck at 541-846-7020.

**Williams Rural Fire Protection District** meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at the Williams Fire Department.

**Women Helping Other Women (WHOW)** meets the second Tuesday of the month at 10036 Highway 238 (Gyda Lane) at 6:30 pm for a potluck meeting to plan work parties at each other's homes. New members welcome. For more information, call Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-8741 or Sioux Rogers at 541-846-7736.

**Wonder Neighborhood Watch** meets the second Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm, Wonder Bible Chapel, 11911 Redwood Highway, Wilderville.

## Benefit dinner and wine auction for Applegate School

*Proceeds benefit Music, Art and Farm Programs*

### Friends of Applegate School Harvest Dinner and Wine Auction Sparkling Wine Reception

Authentic Shrimp Boil by Fulcrum Dining featuring local farms  
Live music

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Wooldridge Creek Winery  
Saturday, September 6, 2014  
Six o'clock in the evening  
Suggested Attire: Summer Festive

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Limited tickets available at \$75 per person  
(\$50 of each ticket goes directly to Applegate School)  
RSVP to [kara@wcwinery.com](mailto:kara@wcwinery.com) or 541-951-5273

### Annual Event: Harvest Shrimp Boil

Applegate School is the current recipient of funds raised at this annual event. The dinner and wine auction are made possible by donations from Applegate wineries and farms. The first event in 2009 raised enough money to fund the Strings Program at the school, including the purchase of 10 violins, 15 guitars, and instruction for that year. The event has continued every year, entirely funding the Strings Program and supplementing several others, including the Garden Club and Art after School. We are now considering adding new programs to the list, such as robotics and tablets for the classrooms. The efforts of FOAS can exist only with the help of the community.

### Friends of Applegate School

Friends of Applegate School (FOAS) was formed to bridge the gap of disintegrating school budgets by fund-raising to support music, art and agriculture in our small rural school. FOAS played a pivotal role in rescuing our 101-year-old historic school building by assembling a committee of dedicated people to write a Non-Matching Seismic Retrofit Grant. We were awarded a grant of \$826,000 and the retrofit began in September 2011. The retrofit was completed and students moved back into the 100-year-old schoolhouse in 2012.

Friends of Applegate School is a part of the 501(c)(3) Josephine County Educational Fund.

## Your chance to wine and dine with ATA

### Do you like:

- Eating good food in a beautiful place?
- Buying great items at good prices?
- Hearing a good speaker?
- Supporting good causes?

### Then you'll surely want to be at the Applegate Trails Association's (ATA's) fund-raising dinner and silent auction on September 20 from 6 to 9 pm. Here's why:

- Beautiful setting—lawns, flowers, river—at Red Lily Vineyards
- Food by Quality Catering (Yum!)
- Good wine
- Atmospheric music by Larry Koskela
- Auction items and a raffle you won't want to miss
- Speaker Michael Kauffmann, author of *Conifer Country*, on "Citizen Science: An Exploration of our Relationship to Natural History"
- A chance to help fund ATA's dream of building a hiking trail from Grants Pass to Jacksonville. The expenses are many: for environmental assessments, trailhead improvements, trail-building, etc.

Tickets are \$65 each and include dinner, a complimentary glass of wine or raffle ticket, Kauffmann's talk, and a chance to bid on silent-auction items. Purchase your tickets by September 15 through [josh@applegatetrails.com](mailto:josh@applegatetrails.com) or the ATA website at [www.applegatetrails.org](http://www.applegatetrails.org). Or call Josh at 541-846-0738.

Come join ATA for a great evening and a great cause!

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