



JACKSON COUNTY Library Services

— Applegate Library —

Summer Reading was a great success this year. We had a large number of children sign up for the program and read over 600 children's books. Great going, young readers!

I want to thank the parents who found the time to bring their young ones in and keep them involved. A special shout-out to all the local businesses that donated prizes for our readers: Applegate Store, Peace of Pizza, Rosella's Winery, Wooldridge Creek Winery, Whistling Duck Farm Store, Provolt Store, Out Back Herbs, and many more. Thank you!

Something new: Jackson County

Library Services is now offering the option to purchase a Non-Resident library card to people outside Jackson County. Contact Applegate Library for more information.

If you're looking to volunteer in your community, the library is a great place to start. Friends of Applegate Library is looking for new members.

School is right around the corner. Please watch out for school buses and little ones.

For more information, contact branch manager Lisa Martin at 541-846-7346 or lmartin@jcls.org.

— Ruch Library —

Ruch readers rock!

With a week of Summer Reading still to come at this writing, we are winding down the programs but gearing up the reading logs that our eager readers are turning in! Participation in the Summer Reading program is up by 25 percent from last year in the number of children completing the program (i.e., reading ten books). Some of the children have read or listened to over 150 books! Thanks to donations and some help from the Friends of Ruch Library, we were able to offer a free book for every coupon a child brought in showing that he or she had read ten books.

We had a variety of programs about heroes this summer: local heroes, insect heroes, the heroes within us, and folk

heroes. The Folk Hero Program featured 20 Applegate characters portraying different folk heroes from Bigfoot to Eva Peron. It was all very entertaining and educational, and we want to thank all the participants who helped make this happen.

Preschool Storytime is on Tuesdays at 11:30 am, followed by a simple craft project. The Babies and Wobblers Program starts at 4 pm on Thursdays and is suitable for children two and under. Babies and Wobblers will be on vacation on September 3 and 10, but Preschool Storytime never sleeps.

Come and join us in the library!

For more information, contact branch manager Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-7438 or ttruesdell@jcls.org.

How to answer the call of the wild: Join ATA's 2015 fundraiser event

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The wild calls strongly to those of us who live in the Applegate, whether from its flora and fauna, its ecology and geology, or its rivers and forests. We are proud of the natural beauty here, and the more we know about it, it seems, the more we love it.

With "The Call of the Wild," an outdoor seminar at Cantrall Buckley Park on September 19, the Applegate Trails Association is offering Applegaters a unique opportunity to learn more about the beautiful place we live in—and to have a really good time while contributing to this fundraising event for ATA. It's a family-friendly event with nature crafts, games, and explorations for children coordinated by Sara Scott, Barbara Kostal, and Michelle LaFave.

Wildlife Images, the wildlife rehabilitation center located outside Grants Pass, will give the keynote address, though the star of that address will undoubtedly be the amazing animals that come along.

ATA has recruited some of the most knowledgeable people in the Applegate to lead the workshops.

- Teya Jacobi will take people deeper into the art of photography.
- Tyler Wauters will lead a walk for

participants to learn about the use of wild plants for medicinal purposes.

- Jakob Shockey will enlighten participants on river ecology, demonstrated by the Applegate River along the border of the park.

- Chad Ananda will teach some backcountry skills.

- Joseph Vaile and Morgan Lindsay, both from KS Wild, will make a presentation on wolves.

- Justin Rohde, author of *Hiking Oregon and California's Wild Rivers Country*, will be teaching GPS usage.

- Diana Coogle, author of *Living with All My Senses* and other books, will offer a nature writing workshop.

The day's schedule provides a choice of three workshops, one in the morning and two in the afternoon sessions.

The festive atmosphere will include a raffle for some exciting items and a fundraising bake sale by ATA. Nonprofit organizations will offer information about their work from booths on the expansive lawns of Area A of the park. For lunch, participants can either bring a picnic or buy salad (made with locally grown, organic produce), tamales and bread from food booths, then sit on the grass or at picnic tables,

Friends of Ruch Library to offer free programs

The Friends of Ruch Library (FORL) is making plans for free programs at the library in 2015-2016 to engage, inform, and entertain our friends and neighbors. We know there are a lot of talented people in this community, and we would like to solicit your participation as program providers and presenters: authors, musicians, experts of all sorts!

At the same time, FORL is preparing its budget for the coming year. We intend to make a small honorarium available to program presenters. The amount isn't set yet but will at least cover costs for materials and travel. Or, if a presenter has a set fee, we will attempt to meet that fee.

If you would like to share your talents and enthusiasms with the Ruch community, please get in touch with FORL program chair Betsy Brauer at bee_brauer@yahoo.com or 541-899-1223.



Don't FALL Into Disrepair!

with Bob Quinn, the Water Doctor

The fall colors are on the tress and there is morning dew, a sure sign that winter is coming! Even though it can be 90° in the afternoon, the temperature changes quickly.

Are your well pipes and pump house insulated? Did you put the temperature controlled outlet and heat lamp in you pump house? Did your well have it's annual maintenance check this year? Is there bacteria in your water? Iron stains, hard water spots?

I don't know about you, but I sure can procrastinate on these things. But if you wait too long, you won't be able to get even a DRIP when your turn on the faucet!

When we service your well we keep a close watch on the overall health of your system, and prevent or prepare you for a potential out-of-water situation. We can help you prepare for an emergency so that you do not have to be out of water.

Don't forget about the water filter you invested in. Make sure you have a professional service your water filtration equipment so that you know it is performing at its best.

Water is a geological cocktail, so DRINK MORE WATER!



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Wolf photo provided by KS Wild, leaders of which will be making a presentation on wolves at the ATA fundraising event on September 19.