

## **Applegate Library**

Our summer was full of interesting programs:

In May, Barbara Mumblo from the forest service's Star Ranger Station came to the library to discuss invasive plant species. She was informative and gave a great discussion on how to control these species and keep them from invading our gardens and property.

In June, artist Mary Kelly showed children how to make dream catchers and discussed a variety of Native American legends. Some beautiful dream catchers were made. Also in June, the Basic III computer class was offered at the library. Check the library schedule for future classes and locations.

In July, storyteller Mark Ropers arrived for the children's summer reading program.

On August 4, Pacifica brought an animal science program to the library for ages 3-12.

Summer reading continued until August 4. Awards included a countywide drawing for a dinner gift card for two adults; a library drawing for a Kindle Touch e-book for teens; and a Barnes and Noble gift certificate for children from our Friends of the Library.

The library is now alive with programs and plans for the fall and winter months. Keep an eye out for the fall programs, which will be posted in the library.

We are always looking for new library members. If you would like to join Friends of the Library or renew your membership, stop by the library, give them your e-mail address and pay your membership fee of \$15. Every little bit helps continue the activities at our library.

Joan Peterson • 541-846-6988

## **Ruch Library**

Ruch Library has had an exciting summer. Seventy-six children participated in the Summer Reading Program, attending programs, reading books, and learning about the night sky, which was the theme for this year. Our programs were enthusiastically attended. The Planetarium, brought to us by ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum in Ashland, was a huge success, as was Steampunk Jewelry with Janis Mohr-Tipton.

Two levels of free computer classes will be offered at the Ruch Library this fall. Computer Basics II covers word processing, digital photo processing, file management, and graphic design and review. The four classes run from September 20 to October 11 on Thursdays from 1 to 3 pm.

Computer Basics III classes are October 25 - November 15, also Thursdays from 1 to 3 pm. These classes cover advanced word processing, spreadsheets, computer management and Internet services. Please stop by or call 541-899-7438 to register for a class.

Stop by the library to see the amazing miniatures from the Southern Oregon Miniaturists, which will be on display through September 18. Following that, we will have a canning display-just in time for the fall canning season. We also have an abundant crop of food preservation books, well worth perusing to discover the new methods for dealing with lower-acid vegetables.

See you at the library! Thalia Truesdell • 541-899-7438 Branch Manager

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# **New offices for Jacksonville attorney**

Alissa M. Weaver is a longtime resident of the Applegate Valley. After graduation from Willamette University College of Law, she began practicing law in Jackson County in 1996 at the Center for Nonprofit Legal Services, where she specialized in consumer law and landlord/tenant issues. She then joined Southern Oregon Public Defenders specializing in juvenile law before deciding to open a practice in Jacksonville last year. Her present practice focuses on estate planning and probate, including the preparation of wills and trusts and advising clients in elder law issues.



Alissa Weaver, Jacksonville attorney specializing in estate planning.

Alissa has been a member of the Oregon State Bar since 1996, serving on the executive committee of the animal law section of the Oregon State Bar. Community service is a priority for Alissa and she serves on the advisory committee of the Walker Fund through the Oregon Community Foundation, and is the treasurer for her son's Boy Scout troop. In her limited spare time, Alissa continues to pursue her passion for music by singing in her church choir at St. Joseph's in Jacksonville, and writing music that she performs with her daughter.

Her new office is located at 933 B North Fifth Street in Jacksonville, right behind Pioneer Village and next door to the Jacksonville Veterinary Clinic. Notary services are available by appointment. For more information, please call 541-890-0147.

## Thank you from **Friends of Ruch Library**

A hearty "Thank You" to all the businesses and individuals who support our "Sponsor-A-Saturday" campaign. Thanks to your donor support, we have funded 15 Saturdays in 2012. For only \$250, you can join this generous group and see your name on our new trailer sign/reader board behind Ramsay Realty if you wish. For more information on Friends of Ruch Library, call Tina Drake at 541-702-2152 or email her at smartina@charter.net.







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