



Jackson County
Library
Services

— Applegate Library —

Applegate Library's first Basket Raffle raised over \$300! Beautifully arranged baskets, created with the help of Evan Martin, Friends of Applegate Library (FOAL) member Lynn Towns, and our giving community, enticed young and old. Thank you, Applegate, for making this event so wonderful.

Over the winter, knitter extraordinaire Carol Hoon started a knitting class. Due to the high level of interest, she will continue the class on Fridays from 2:30 to 4 pm in the Applegate Library Community Room. For more information, please contact Carol at orcarolhoon@gmail.com.

Spring break will soon be upon us. As we look for fun things to do to keep the kiddos learning, we have put together a few events you may be interested in. All these events are free to the public and sponsored by FOAL.

- Saturday, March 18, 1 pm. Local Author Kristi Cowles will be here to sign and promote her new book, *One More Wolf Sings*.
- Tuesday, March 28, 2:30 pm. Alli Parkin from Squirrel Medicine Pottery will be teaching how to craft a pinch pot.
- Wednesday, March 29, 12 to 2 pm. Emery Hoon will demonstrate how to make a paracord bracelet.
- Friday, March 31, 2 to 6 pm. Make your own keepsake box, turning an ordinary box into a work of art.

• Saturday, April 1, 10:30 am. Join us for storytime and a craft.

Applegate School's class of 1965 is holding a silent auction fundraiser at the library from March 1 through March 24. All proceeds will go to FOAL.

Auction items include a night at the Beachfront Inn in Brookings, ten pounds of free-range Applegate beef, a handmade afghan, a Red Robin gift card, lots of Dutch Bros items, an In-N-Out Burger gift card, two spaghetti night meals from Karna & Sons, two free meals at Applegate Store, and much more.

Here's a bit of history about Applegate School in 1965:

- Bruce Matheny was both principal and a seventh- and eighth-grade teacher.
 - The eighth-grade class had eight students.
 - Three of those students still live locally and have worked together to give back to the community through this fundraiser.
- Come by the library to see the photos and history display of "Applegate 1965."
- Applegate Library is located at 18485 North Applegate Road and is open Tuesdays and Fridays from 2 to 6 pm and Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm.

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

— Ruch Library —

Spring into reading at Ruch Library!

Free computer classes! Ruch Library is hosting two levels (Level 2 and Level 3) of computer classes this spring, consisting of four classes each.

Level 2: Word processing, digital photo processing, file management, and graphic design. Thursdays, 4 to 6 pm, March 9 through March 30.

Level 3: Advanced word processing, spreadsheets, computer management, and Internet services. Thursdays, 4 to 6 pm, April 13 through May 4.

Computers and cameras will be provided. Space is limited, so please sign up in advance at Ruch Library.

Ruch Library is the heart of the community, and we like to share that with everyone. In March we will have a community display of ceramic vessels belonging to Applegate residents. Vases, bowls, sculptures—old, new, large, small—we will have it all. Come and see our eclectic display!

In April, we will switch to a display of miniature scenes assembled by the Southern Oregon Miniature Club. These tiny dioramas are a wonder to behold, and you won't want to miss them.

Saturday, April 1, is the Great American Folksong Revival. Friends of Ruch Library (FORL) welcomes Tim Holt as he revisits the golden age of folk music.

Join in with Tim on songs in the good old hootenanny tradition. This will be fun for all, and lyrics will be provided!

The McKee Bridge Centennial will be celebrated on Saturday, June 10. During the month of May, Ruch Library will be part of the pre-celebration. Our display cases will feature the history of the bridge, old photos, other memorabilia, and a sample of raffle prizes in our display cases. We have a great collection of local history books and documents as well.

Be sure and visit the FORL book sale at the Centennial Celebration at the bridge in June. (There will also be a FORL book sale at Buncom Day on Saturday, May 27, from 10 am to 3 pm.)

Ruch Library is open Tuesdays from 10 am to 5 pm, Thursdays from 1 to 7 pm, and Saturdays from 11 am to 4 pm. The library is located at 7919 Highway 238.

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



My library works for me.

— Josephine Community Libraries —

New books at the Williams branch

Below are some titles newly available at the Williams branch.

■ Children

- *The Rescue Mission* by Maria S. Barbo
- *Just Grandpa and Me* by Mercer Mayer
- *Froggy Goes to the Doctor* by Jonathan London
- *Old Dog Baby Baby* by Julie Fagliano

■ Adult

- *Learning from Dogs: Innate Wisdom from Man's Best Friend* by Paul Handover
- *Pilgrims Wilderness: A True Story of Faith and Madness on the Alaska Frontier* by Tom Kizzia
- *In the Kitchen with Rosie: Oprah's Favorite Recipes* by Rosie Daley
- *The Woman Who Borrowed Memories: Selected Stories* by Tove Jansson

Williams branch weekly storytime

Bring the whole family to children's storytime at 3:30 pm every Wednesday. For more information, contact Williams branch manager Evelyn Roether at 541-856-7020 or eroether@josephinelibrary.org. Williams Branch Library is located at 20695 Williams Highway in downtown Williams and is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 1 to 5 pm.

Upcoming exhibits at the Grants Pass branch

• *Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America*, February 10 through March 14

More than any other founder, Alexander Hamilton foresaw the America we live in now. He shaped the financial, political, and legal systems of the young United States. His ideas on racial equity and economic diversity were so far ahead of their time that it took the nation decades to catch up. This traveling, multi-panel exhibit from the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History covers the life and achievements of Alexander Hamilton.

• *Anywhere but Here: The History of Housing Discrimination in Oregon*, April 2 through 8

This seven-panel exhibit comprised of photographs, text, and quotes chronicles Oregon's largely unknown history of discrimination, segregation, and displacement, the progress in overcoming this history, and the challenges that remain.

Accompanying this traveling exhibit is a community-wide Oregon Humanities Conversation Project titled "Homeless in the Land of Plenty" on Wednesday, April 5, from 5:30 to 7 pm, facilitated by CommuniTalks founder and director Ryan Stroud of Portland. In the United States, families with children are the fastest-growing segment of the homeless population. How does homelessness affect the lives of all people within a community? What does it mean for there to be masses of people who are not adequately housed? Join storyteller Ryan Stroud to share your stories and learn about the experiences of others.

Cow Scrabble

Join the fun at the Libraries legen"dairy" Cow Scrabble Tournament. This signature fundraising event will be held on Saturday, May 20, from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm at the Grants Pass High School Commons, 830 NE 9th Street, Grants Pass.

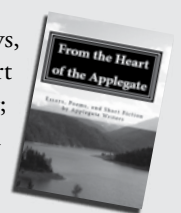
Cow Scrabble is a tournament where individuals and local business-sponsored teams compete against each "udder" during four consecutive Scrabble games for points. Teams compete for "Josie," the coveted Cow Scrabble trophy, and to be crowned the "Smartest Business in Town."

This exciting afternoon of game play will be a blast and will help raise "moo"lah for the libraries in Josephine County. To become a business sponsor team or register as an individual player, contact JCLI development manager Rebecca Stoltz at rstoltz@josephinelibrary.org or 541-476-0571 x114.

For more information about Josephine Community Libraries, contact Brandace Rojo at 541-476-0571 x112.

Help support the Applegater by purchasing these unique items!

Book. *From the Heart of the Applegate* anthology of original essays, poems, and short stories contributed by Applegate Valley writers in support of the *Applegater*. Available now for \$16 at Amazon.com and applegater.org; Applegate Valley Realty, Jacksonville; Bloomsbury Books, Ashland; Oregon Books, Grants Pass; and Terra Firma, Jacksonville.



Planter. Beautiful planters built with donated local wood and volunteer labor. See these useful and long-lasting "Applecrates" at Applegate Valley Realty, 935 N. Fifth Street, Jacksonville. A stock planter box, 12" wide x 22" long x 14" deep, starts at \$40. For more information, call Chris Bratt at 541-846-6988.



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