

Jackson County Services

— Applegate Library —

Not to miss: The Friends of the book sale on Friday, September 21, from 2 - 6 pm, and Saturday, September 22, from 10 am - 2 pm.

This fall will mark the first annual Applegate-Ruch How-To Festival. On Saturday, September 22, from 10 am - 1 pm, the Applegate Library will host talks and demonstrations from local patrons on genealogy, miniatures, bombproofing horses, flower arranging, gardening, sourdough bread making, surfing, woodworking, and more. Come in or call to find out the schedule of presentations. (See Ruch Library below for its How-To Festival activities.)

Rigs from the Applegate Valley Fire Station and Applegate Excavate & Fence will be here for little and big kids to explore.

Hear the Applegate's very own Jef Kooper read from his wonderful novel, Sugarbob Goes to the Lodge, based on a true story. Sugarbob's adventures were celebrated on Comedy Central's The Daily Show with Jon Stewart and by Oregon Public Broadcasting.

This fall we will host a Fermentation Series conducted by Kirsten Shockey and Christopher Shockey, coauthors of Fiery Ferments and the bestselling Fermented Vegetables. Topics are cider pressing on Saturday, October 20, from 1 - 2 pm, and gut health on Saturday, October 27, from 1 - 2 pm.

Come dressed in costume (no face masks, please) for Halloween fun and crafts on Wednesday, October 31.

Join us every third Friday from Applegate Library will be holding a 6 - 7 pm in the Applegate Library's conference room for a drumming circle, facilitated by Kristi Cowles and David Kennedy. Their vision of this drumming circle is to create one voice, one community. Their purpose is to heal Mother Earth and all her people human and not-with rhythm and sound. Experience is not necessary. If you have your own drums or rattles, please bring them.

> And don't forget, you can check out an Orion telescope for your very own night-sky viewing. The telescope was donated by a long-time stargazing Applegater, who hopes kids, parents, singles, old and young will make use of the telescope to see the moons of Jupiter or the rings of Saturn.

> The library also has plans to sponsor "star parties" and "star log" contests for those wanting to learn more about the night skies. Check out and take home the Orion telescope for up to two weeks!

> Reminder: The Applegate Library has hot spots, DVDs, audiobooks, magazines, Wi-Fi, books, and more. And every Tuesday from 2 - 4:30 pm, Bret Fearrien from Digital Services is here to help with your tech questions.

> Applegate Library is located at 18485 North Applegate Road in Applegate and is open Tuesdays and Fridays from 2 - 6 pm and Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am - 2 pm.

> For more information, contact manager Christine Grubb at 541-846-7346 or cgrubb@jcls.org.

Sephine Josephine Community Library

Josephine Community Libraries —

Weekly storytime at Williams branch

Families are invited to the Williams branch of Josephine Community Library District for weekly storytime and a craft every Friday from 1:30 to 2:30 pm.

Williams branch is located at 20695 Williams Highway in Williams and is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 1 - 6 pm and Fridays from 11 am - 4 pm. Phone: 541-846-7020.

Readapalooza: Free bookish fun

Come celebrate reading, books, and community during Readapalooza weekend on October 20 and 21 at the Grants Pass branch at 200 NW C Street. The weekend will be filled with activities for all ages, including the Storytime Celebration, the Plot Planning Party for National Novel Writing Month in November, and the Community Read-Aloud for all ages.

For more information about Readapalooza, visit josephinelibrary. org, email info@josephinelibrary.org, or call 541-476-0571.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

The four Rotary clubs in Josephine County have teamed up with Josephine Community Library District and Josephine County Library Foundation to bring the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to families in our community.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a book-gifting program that mails free rstoltz@josephinelibrary.org.

books to children every month from birth to age five. Through this program, every child under the age of five in Josephine County is qualified to receive a book by mail, at no cost to the families, every month until their fifth birthday!

Children in Josephine County can register for free thanks to the Rotary clubs, AllCare Health, and Josephine County Library Foundation.

Here's how:

- 1. Stop by your nearest library branch in Grants Pass, Illinois Valley, Williams, or Wolf Creek and fill out a paper registration form, or
- 2. Visit josephinelibrary.org and fill out the online registration form.

The first book every child receives is The Little Engine That Could, Dolly Parton's favorite book. The message of the book is timeless, encouraging children to never give up, do their best, and stay positive no matter what. This program is free—your only obligation is to notify the library in case of an address change.

Sponsors of this program include AllCare Health, Hart Insurance, Josephine County Library Foundation, Oregon Pacific Financial Advisors, Inc., the four Rotary clubs in Josephine County, and Welch Investment Group, LLC. For more information, contact partnership manager Rebecca Stoltz at the library at 541-476-0571 x 108 or

— Ruch Library —

We are looking forward to another Community School. Last year we had more than 175 class visits! We are lucky to be next door to each other.

At Ruch Library, aside from books, movies, audiobooks, magazines, tech help, Wi-Fi, and storytimes, we have three awesome programs coming up that you will not want to miss!

How-To Festival, Saturday, September peer-to-peer instruction as your neighbors share what they know! There are at least 18 classes, running 30, 60, or 90 minutes. How to make liqueurs, deal with noxious weeds, knit, crochet, make Slime, learn Jin Shin Jyutsu, make felt, learn computer coding, learn sleight-of-hand tricks, woodburning, balloon rockets, and much more! Lots of kid-friendly programs. Get a complete roster and schedule at the library.

Second Annual Celebration of Mind, Saturday, October 20, 1 - 3 pm. Come celebrate Martin Gardner, noted mathematician, scientist, and writer widely known for his games, logic puzzles, optical illusions, and card tricks. Excite your mind and puzzle your brain with activities throughout the library that promote curiosity and critical thinking through play. See for yourself that "Fun Math" is not an oxymoron! Fun for all ages.

Applegate Authors Abound! Saturday, exciting year with the Ruch Outdoor November 12, 2 - 4 pm. Meet a dozen or so of our local authors and hear a bit of what they wrote. Authors will be situated throughout the library for intimate readings and discussions, followed by a reception in the Meeting Room at 3:30 pm. Books will be available through the library or from the authors.

Ongoing activities

Tech Help. Bret Fearrien is here every 22, 1 - 4 pm. Join us for an afternoon of Tuesday from 10 am - 12:30 pm to answer your tech questions about any of your devices and to help you with Hoopla and Library2Go. We keep him pretty busy, so it is best to make an appointment in advance—email Bret at bfearrien@jcls.org.

Babies and Wobblers Storytime. Storytime is Tuesdays at 10:15 am for 0-3 year-olds. Preschool Storytime is at 11:30 am on Tuesdays, followed by a craft. We offer LEGOS every Saturday afternoon.

A-Frame Bookstore. Don't forget about the Friends of Ruch Library bookstore—it's packed with great reads!

Ruch Library is located at 7919 Highway 238 in Jacksonville (Ruch) and is open Tuesdays from 10 am - 5 pm, Thursdays from 1 - 7 pm, and Saturdays from 11 am - 4 pm.

For more information, contact branch manager Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-8438 or ttruesdell@jcls.org.





