

— Applegate Library —

Reading Becomes Electric: Kindles available for checkout!

Reading Becomes Electric is a program that lets you borrow a Kindle (a portable, lightweight e-reader) from the library for three weeks. Kindles come preloaded with an assortment of materials from popular fiction to timeless classics, nonfiction, and highly reviewed but lesser-known titles. That means you get a bunch of books (over 40 titles) to take with you on one device that counts just as a single checkout. It's a whole new kind of light reading!

Kindle kits, which include a Kindle, case, and charging cable, are available to library cardholders over 18 and in good standing. To request a Kindle, go to the Jackson County Library home page (jcls. org), click on "Books and More," then "Catalog," and enter "Kindle ereader" in the search bar. Upon request, a Kindle kit will be sent to your local branch library loaded with all the titles currently offered. Make it a challenge to read them all, or just take a few—it doesn't impact your checkout total. After three weeks, or after you've read all you want, drop off the Kindle kit inside any of Jackson County Library's 15 branch locations.

Upcoming events

Our library programs encourage learning, creating, and having fun. At the Applegate Library we welcome your suggestions or desires for programming and events. Or if you have a passion, hobby, or expertise you would like to present, please contact us!

Nesting Season in your Backyard. Saturday, March 2, from 1 - 2 pm, with Laura Fleming of Wild Birds Unlimited. Learn about bird nesting in your backyard, including avian architecture, appropriate nesting boxes, nesting-season stages, bird behavior, and how to deal with potential predators and problems.

- Join us for seasonal arts and crafts on the second Saturday of the month (March 9, April 13, and May 11) from 11 am - 12 pm.
- Curious about the value of your older and first-edition books? Local book enthusiast Carole Karvis will show you how to determine the value of your books at her presentation, "Books are Knowledge—Now Learn about Books!" on Saturday, March 16, from 11 am - 1 pm.
- On April 20, from 12 1 pm, John Jackson of Bugs-R-Us Educational Services will present "Butterflies and Moths." Learn about and interact with some of the biggest and most spectacular preserved specimens of butterflies and moths in the area.
- Come to hear author Amira Makansi share her book, Literary Libations: What to Drink with What You Read, on Saturday, May 18, from 1 - 2 pm.

Ongoing events

- Community Drumming occurs the third Friday of every month from 6 - 7 pm. Connect to Mother Earth through a community drumming circle. No experience necessary. Some rattles and drums are available; please bring your own if you have them.
- Storytime is Saturdays at 10:30 am. ٠

Jackson County Library cards can be issued free to any Applegate School student with a signature of a parent or guardian, regardless of what county the student lives in.

Reminder: We have Wi-Fi hot spots, DVDs, audiobooks, music CDs, books, and magazines for checkout.

Applegate Library is located at 18485 North Applegate Road 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.

Josephine Community Library

Williams library branch manager selected as national "2019 Digital Inclusion Fellow"

Williams library branch manager, Ellie Avis, has been chosen as a Nonprofit Technology Enterprise Network (NTEN) 2019 Digital Inclusion Fellow.

Dozens of professionals from all across the country submitted applications. The 2019 Fellows come from a wide range of service organizations-from a rural library to an organization empowering girls to use technology—all working to bridge the digital divide in rural areas.

Launched in 2015, the Digital Inclusion Fellowship is a year-long, project-based, professional development cohort. The project plans, which the Fellowship cohorts will develop during this year with NTEN, will be specifically aimed at increasing opportunities for adults to learn digital skills. Grants, of up to \$1,000, will help the participants start programs in their communities.

Sponsors for the 2019 Digital Inclusion Fellowship are Google Fiber, the Cleveland Foundation, and the Meyer Memorial Trust.

At Portland-based NTEN, nonprofit and library professionals learn about and celebrate the ways technology helps them meet their missions. NTEN's members share the common goal of helping communities use all aspects of technology more effectively.

Weekly storytime at Williams branch library

The Williams branch of Josephine Community Library invites families to weekly storytime and craft sessions every Friday from 2:30 - 3:30 pm in a safe and fun environment. Each week children hear stories on topics like dinosaurs, space, holidays, or animals.

Williams Branch Library is located at 20695 Williams Highway in Williams and is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 1 - 6 pm and Fridays from 11 am - 4 pm. For more information, call 541-846-7020.

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.

Through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, every child in Josephine County is qualified to receive a book by mail each month, at no cost to the families, from birth to his or her fifth birthday.

Thanks to the Rotary clubs, AllCare Health, and Josephine County Library Foundation, children in Josephine County can register for *free* in one of two ways:

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-it encourages 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., 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 rstoltz@josephinelibrary.org.

For more information about Josephine Community Libraries, contact Brandace Rojo at 541-476-0571 or email info@ josephinelibrary.org.

- Ruch Library -

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Upcoming events

Spring in the Applegate...what could The hikes highlighted a combination of natural beauty and local history. She is coauthor, with Diana Coogle, of Favorite Hikes of the Applegate. Janeen will show slides of trail pictures and hopes to have answers to all your questions. Birding in the Applegate: Saturday, May 4, from 1 - 3 pm. Join Anne Goff as she introduces the art of birding. After showing pictures of local birds and discussing what to look for-bird shapes, beaks, and more-Anne will lead participants on a local bird walk.

including children's activities, will be available. This free program is sponsored by Friends of Ruch Library (FORL). **Ongoing events**

Questions about your iPhone, tablet, computer, e-reader? On Tuesdays from 10 am - 12:30 pm, tech wizard Laura Irwin will be at the library to help you. For an appointment, contact Laura at techsupport@jcls.org or lirwin@jcls.org. Babies and Wobblers, an early literacy program for children 0 - 3, is held on Tuesdays at 10:15 am and promises to be a rockin' good time for both the littles and their parents.

Don't forget the \$5 Book Bag Sale offered by FORL every first Saturday in Ruch Library's Book Barn. This is your opportunity to fill a grocery bag with books!

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. Friends of Ruch Library A-Frame Bookstore hours are Tuesdays from 12 - 4 pm, Thursdays from 1 - 5 pm, and Saturdays from 12 - 4 pm. For more information, contact branch manager Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-7438 or ttruesdell@jcls.org.

Ruch Library is hosting a couple of great springtime programs you will not want to miss!

Hiking in the Applegate Valley: Saturday, March 2, from 1 - 3 pm. Janeen Sathre, a fifth-generation Applegater, would like to invite you to learn about the great hiking trails in the wonderful Applegate Valley.

Janeen grew up in the Upper Applegate area and for many years led hikers on the trails throughout the area.

Please bring your binoculars, if possible. Some birding activities,

Preschool Storytime is at 11:30 am and is followed by craft-making.

