

## - Ruch Library -

Join us for "A Universe of Stories" at Ruch Library this summer as we blast off with our Summer Reading Program. We will have programs, prizes, incentives, and activities for *all* ages. Read and receive free books! Study the night sky and complete a Junior Astronomer's Log to be eligible to win a pair of binoculars. There will be something for everyone, including the highly anticipated "I Spy" window and Guessing Jars. Or, just come and space out in our air-conditioned library!

Our second annual How-To Festival will be held on September 21. Save the date! Check with library staff if you have an interest in teaching a short class or want a sneak peek at the roster.

#### Summer events

- Space Origami (ages 8 adult). Thursday, June 12, 2 - 4 pm. Fold an origami star, spaceship, or asteroid during this drop-in program for all skill levels.
- Traveling Lantern Theater performs My Mother, the Astronaut (ages 4 - 12). Tuesday, June 25, 10 - 11 am. Aquarius's mom is an astronaut and today is "Take your child to work day." What will she experience during her day at NASA?
- Magic Star Wands with John Jackson (age 5+). Tuesday, July 16, 11 am - noon. Make an LED shooting-star wand! You create it, decorate it, and take it home. The best part is, it glows even after you turn it off. Preregistration required.
- Centennial Birthday Party (all ages). Tuesday, July 16, 12:30 pm. This year marks the 100th anniversary of Jackson County Library Services, and you are invited to the library's birthday party. Join us to celebrate with birthday cake!
- Mission: Possible (all ages; under 10 with adult). Tuesday, July 23, 2 - 4 pm. Use your creativity, ingenuity, and critical-thinking skills to complete engineering challenges with a ScienceWorks educator.
- Kids' Music Jam: Space Time manager Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-7438 (ages 6 - 12). Tuesday, July 30, 3

- 4:15 pm. Join in some out-of-thisworld music fun: songs, games, and the chance to make space sounds with crazy instruments.

- Watercolor the Stars (ages 12 18). Saturday, August 3, 1 - 3 pm. Learn watercolor skills and take home an original, space-inspired work of art. Adventure deep into space, wonder about distant life, and sense the enormity of the universe! This is a step-by-step class, so please arrive on time.
- LEGO Builders, Architects, and Engineers (age 4+). Build and display your own creations any time during open hours this summer. Duplo bricks available for younger kids.

### **Ongoing events**

- Questions about your iPhone, tablet, computer, or 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.
- Preschool Storytime is at 11:30 am and is followed by craft-making. We hope you can join us!
- \$5 Book Bag Sale offered by Friends of Ruch Library every first Saturday in Ruch Library's Book Barn. 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 noon - 4 pm, Thursdays from 1 - 5 pm, and Saturdays from noon - 4 pm.

For more information, contact branch or ttruesdell@jcls.org.



# - Applegate Library -

"A Universe of Stories" is the theme of our Summer Reading Program (SRP) this year. And, at the Applegate Library, we have a "universe of programs, services, books, and more!" Check out all countywide events at our website at jcls.org or pick up a copy of our event guide at the library.

#### Upcoming programs and events

The library programs and events encourage community engagement through learning and creating. We also welcome community members and experienced instructors who want to present at the library.

- Applegate Fire Lookouts. Saturday, June 1, from 2 - 4 pm with John McKelligott, ranger with the Siskiyou Mountains Ranger District. He will discuss two local fire lookouts, Dutchman Peak and Squaw Peak, which are on the National Historic Registry.
- Friends of the Applegate Library (FOAL) Book Sale. Friday, June 21, from 2 - 6 pm, and Saturday, June 22, from 10 am - 2 pm. Lots of titles to choose from!
- Watercolor the Stars (ages 12 18). Saturday, June 22, from 10 am - 12 pm. Learn watercolor skills and take home an original, space-inspired work of art. Adventure deep into space, wonder about distant life, and sense the enormity of the universe! This is a stepby-step class, so please arrive on time.
- Kids' Music Jam: Space Time (ages 6 - 12). Wednesday, June 26, from 12:30 - 1:45 pm. Join in some out-ofthis-world music fun: songs, games, and the chance to make space sounds with crazy instruments.
- Magic Star Wands. Tuesday, July 9, from 3 - 4 pm, with John Jackson. Make an LED shooting star wand! You create it, you decorate it, and you take it home. The best part is it glows even after you turn it off! Preregistration is required.
- Magic Show. Saturday, July 20, from 11 - 11:45 am. Prepare to be amazed and entertained by local magician Chris Shillito.
- Digging Dinos STEM Program. Wednesday, July 24, from 11 am - 12 pm. Go back in time to learn about dinosaurs with Bugs-R-Us Educational Services. Explore real fossils, teeth, claws, and imitation skin. Preregistration is required.
- Space Origami. Wednesday, July 31, from 11 am - 1 pm. Fold an origami star, jet, spaceship, or asteroid during this drop-in program for all skill levels.
- Face Painting. Friday, August 2, from 2 - 4 pm. Get your face painted by

professional body artist and local resident, Amber Bishop.

Mission: Possible! Friday, August 9, from 2 - 4 pm. Use your creativity, ingenuity, and critical-thinking skills to complete engineering challenges with a ScienceWorks educator.

#### **Summer finale**

Centennial Birthday Party and End of SRP Party. Tuesday, August 13, from 2 - 4 pm. This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Jackson County Library Services, and you are invited to the library's birthday party! Join us to celebrate with cake and ice cream. We will also draw the winners of our SRP baskets.

#### **Ongoing programs and events**

• Community drumming after hours. Third Friday of the month (June 21, July 19, and August 16) from 6 - 7 pm. Connect to Mother Earth through a community drumming circle. No experience necessary. Some rattles and drums available; please bring your own if you have them.

• Storytime. Saturdays at 10:30 am. Reminders

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.

The Applegate Library has a telescope to check out, Wi-Fi hot spots, Kindles, DVDs, audiobooks, music CDs, books, and magazines! Free!

At jcls.org, you can find databases galore. We are spotlighting the following this summer:

- Tumblebook Library, which has over 1,100 titles for kids from kindergarten through sixth grade and includes animated, talking picture books, read-along chapter books, National Geographic videos, and more.
- Brainfuse HelpNow and JobNow for help searching for jobs and new careers and improving grades in school and college, including test preparation.
- Gale Courses for those wanting to learn new skills by professional, instructorled courses that start each month on a variety of topics.
- Lynda.com takes you to a site described as "YouTube on steroids!" Take a variety of learning and knowledge courses with professional certifications.

The 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.

#### Williams branch library weekly storytime

Families are invited to the Williams branch of Josephine Community Library for a storytime and craft session every Friday from 2:30 - 3:30 pm in a safe and fun environment. Each week children will hear themed stories about topics like dinosaurs, space, holidays, or animals. **Williams Community Garden Club** 

Children of all ages and their families are invited to join the Garden Club at the Williams branch every Wednesday from 2 - 3 pm. Come plant seeds and plants, learn about worms and pollinators, and enjoy being out in the sunshine.

To register and for more information, contact Williams branch manager Ellie Avis at 541-846-7020 or eavis@ josephinelibrary.org.

#### Improve your computer skills

Need help using the internet? Have questions about your new phone or tablet? Library volunteers can help. Call or stop by your nearest branch to make a one-on-one appointment with your own personal Tech Coach or drop in to the Williams branch from 11 am - 1 pm on Fridays for individual help with your technology questions.

For more information, contact Williams branch manager Ellie Avis at 541-846-7020 or eavis@josephinelibrary.org. Williams branch of Josephine Community Library District is located at 20695 Williams Highway and is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 1 - 6 pm and Fridays from 11 am - 4 pm.

#### **Dolly Parton's Imagination Library**

It's been one year since the four Rotary Clubs in Josephine County teamed up with Josephine Community Library District to bring the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to local families.

Since its launch in May 2018, 1,562 children, ages birth to five who live in Josephine County, are receiving books in the mail each month at no cost to their families thanks to our sponsors. In total, 11,886 books have been delivered to children in our community!

To register your child at no cost: (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/getinvolved/imagination-library and fill out the online registration form.

Sponsors for this program include AllCare Health, the four Rotary Clubs

in Josephine County, Welch Investment Group, LLC, Josephine County Library Foundation, and Oregon Community Foundation.

For more information about Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, contact partnership manager Rebecca Stoltz at 541-476-0571 ext. 108 or rstoltz@ josephinelibrary.org.

For more information about the library district, contact Brandace Rojo at 541-476-0571 or info@josephinelibrary.org.

