— Applegate Library — Winter wonders await!

BY CHRISTINE GRUBB

The Applegate Library staff wants to know what matters most to our patrons. Stop in or send us an email to let us know how we can improve your library experience through our collection, programs, events, and displays.

Upcoming events

Cybersecurity Basics, 12+ years. This in-person workshop is for those who are interested in safety online and want to protect themselves from fraudsters and scams. 12:30-3 pm Tuesday, December 3.

Holiday Sing-along and Santa Visit, all ages. Join the staff and Applegate community in a holiday sing-along with a special visit from Santa! Light refreshments will also be served. 2-4 pm Saturday, December 7.

Picture Perfect: An Introduction to Using the Apple Camera and Photos app, 12+ years. This beginner-level class will introduce users to the iPhone camera and photos app. 10:30 am-noon Tuesday, December 10.

Paul Fattig on growing up in rural Oregon during the turbulent 1960s, 18+ years. Local author and presenter Paul Fattig will be discussing both challenges and rewards of being reared in Kerby during the 1960s. He believes his childhood was similar in many respects to that of those who grew up in Applegate Valley hamlets like Ruch, Applegate, Williams, and Wilderville during that period. 1-2 pm Saturday, December 14.

Rogue Reads: Stuffed Animal Tea Party with the Tea Dragon Society, 6+ years. Greetings, friends of the Tea Dragons! Come join the Tea Dragon Society for light refreshments with your stuffed animal bestie as we learn about the elusive tea dragons and their contributions to tea around the world. 1-2 pm Saturday, January 4.

Wild and Wooly Felting, 8+ years. Let's celebrate winter by making adorable needle-felted snow people! This fun and easy fiber arts workshop will explore the techniques of needle felting. All materials are provided. The class is led by local fiber artist Corbin Brashear of Wild and Wooly Feltworks. 3:30-5:30 pm Thursday, January 9.

Rogue Reads: Community Coloring Sheet, all ages. Add some color to your library and community with a community coloring sheet! Watch the black-and-white image come to a colorful life as you help brighten up the winter months! 3-4 pm Tuesday, January 14.

Early Findings of the James Webb Space Telescope, 6+ years. A

NASA Space Ambassador will discuss the early images and data of the James Webb Space Telescope. Come learn firsthand about this remarkable astronomical accomplishment and the enduring mysteries of space! 1-2 pm Saturday, January 18.

Paint with Plants, 8+ years. Discover the beautiful world of natural colors right outside your door! We will make watercolor paints from garden-grown and foraged plants. We'll experiment with changing each color by adding lemon juice (an acid) and baking soda (a base). 2:30-3:30 pm Saturday, January 25.

End-of-Life Planning for Your Online Accounts, 18+ years. Have you ever wondered what happens to your digital accounts after death? Or how your loved ones will access or close those accounts? This program will help you and your loved ones take practical steps to prepare your digital legacy. 10:30-11:30 am Tuesday, January 28.

Scandinavian Folk Music played on the nyckelharpa, 3+ years. Local musician Avery, who raises pack goats and hikes the woods with them while playing his Swedish nyckelharpa (keyed fiddle), will entertain us with a variety of Scandinavian folk-music songs. 2-3:30 pm Saturday, February 1.

Reminders

- A Digital Services representative will be here on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am-12:30 pm on a first-come, first-served basis. You can also make an appointment by email at digitalservices@jcls.org or by phone at 541-734-3990.
- The Applegate Library meeting room can be booked for your meetings, programs, or events (even when the library is closed) by going to jcls.libcal.com/reserve/ap-meeting. Need a place to rehearse? You can do that here, whether for a meeting or music practice.
- Wi-Fi is available 24/7 in our parking lot and during open hours inside.
- Preschool Storytime is Fridays from 11-11:30 am.

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— Ruch Library — Winter delights at the library!

BY MEGAN PINDER

A community that reads together grows together. That's the philosophy behind our annual community reading program, Rogue Reads. This year, through our programming and our selected book titles, we are focusing on simple delights and radical joy. Rogue Reads, which begins in December and runs through February, is an all-ages program. To learn more and to participate in this community reading challenge, please register online at jcls.org or visit your nearest branch to sign up as an offline reader. All Ruch Branch Rogue Readers will have a chance to win some delightful prizes!

Preschool Storytime, 3-5 years. Bring your preschoolers to enjoy stories, rhymes, songs, and fun at the library. 10:30-11 am Tuesdays.

Computer and Tech Help, all ages. Meet with a Digital Services Specialist by appointment or drop in. 10 am-12:30 pm Tuesdays and 2-4:30 pm Thursdays.

Kaleidoscope Play and Learn, 0-5 years. Discover how children learn through play and daily activities: singing, telling stories, creating art, and having fun! KPL is open to everyone—young children and their families, and caregivers. 10:30 amnoon Thursdays.

Bilingual Storytime for Spanish Learners, 3-10 years. Is your family interested in learning Spanish? Join us for a 30-minute bilingual Storytime, followed by some informal practice with other families. All levels welcome. 4-5 pm first and third Thursdays.

Wreath Making, 18+ years. An experienced wreath maker will guide you, and all materials are included. Warm beverages will be available for a cozy and crafty afternoon together. 1-2 pm December 7.

Community Yoga, 13+ years. Join us for an all-levels yoga class with Dr. Rachel Stricker. The Community Room will open at 8:45 am. *Registration required at jcls.org/ events. Bring your own mat.* 9-10 am second and fourth Wednesdays.

Tween/Teen Movie Hangout, 10-14 years. Stop by the Ruch Library to enjoy a movie (and popcorn) with other tweens and teens! Please note: This program does not occur during Medford School District vacations. 3:30-6 pm second and fourth Thursdays.

Rogue Reads: Fandom Collaging, 12+ years. Learn how to put together a unique collage featuring your favorite things. Whether it's Star Wars, Dragon Ball Z, or something else, celebrate what makes you happy by making your own collage! 1-2 pm December 14.

Rogue Reads: Create Your Own Book of Delights, 18+ years. Inspired by Ross Gay's *The Book of Delights*, we invite you to create your own book to keep a record of the daily delights you encounter. Join us at the library to decorate your own special book. All materials provided. 1-2 pm December 21.

Rogue Reads: Gratitude Journaling, 12+ years. Give your brain a hug and dive into the meditative practice of gratitude journaling. You'll get the supplies (journal included) and tips on how to write and reflect on what brings you joy. 1-2 pm January 4

Winter Salads with Sarah Lemon, all ages. Start off your new year's meal plans with hearty, seasonal salads that won't leave you feeling hungry. Join longtime local food writer Sarah Lemon as she demonstrates and provides samples of three distinctive salads. Online registration required by January 7 at jcls.org/events. 1-2 pm January 11.

Herbal Tea Blending, 18+ years. Learn the art of loose-leaf tea blending. Tasting included! 1-2 pm January 18.

Seed Packaging Work Parties, 12+ years. We are preparing for the second year of our Ruch Branch Seed Library! Interested in lending a hand? Drop in at any point during these three-hour sessions to help divide and package seeds. Noon-3 pm January 29; 3:45-6:45 pm January 30; and 12:30-3:30 pm February 1.

Password Management, 18+ years. Learn best practices for establishing and managing strong and secure passwords. 1-2 pm February 8.

Learn Your Dog's Language, all ages. Come learn how to read a dog's body language and interact with dogs in a safe and comfortable way for both humans and dogs. You'll also learn how to make simple toys that your dogs will love! This program is geared toward five- to ten-year-olds, but all ages are welcome. 1-2 pm February 15.

Rogue Reads: *The Book of Delights* Discussion, 18+ years. Join your community in this casual book discussion of the Rogue Reads selection, *The Book of Delights* by Ross Gay. 1-2 pm February 22.

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Come visit! Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Beer and wine on tap or to go.

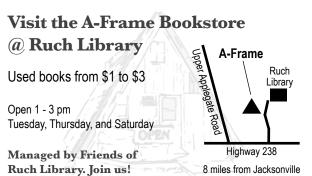


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