

Community Calendar

Applegate Valley Garden Club meets at 1:30 pm on the third Wednesday of the month from September through May. For meeting locations and programs call Sandra King at 541-899-9027 or Betty Lou Smith at 541- 846-6817.

Applegate 4-H Swine Club meets on Tuesday following the third Wednesday of every month at 7 pm. For more information contact Charles Elmore at 541-846-6528 or Barbara Niedermeyer at 541-846-7635.

Applegate Christian Fellowship. For service times, call 541-899-8732, 24 hours/day.

Applegate Friends of Fire District #9 meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Fire Station—1095 Upper Applegate Road—at 6:00 pm. New members are welcome. For more information, call Bob Fischer 541-846-6218.

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets every Monday morning at Applegate Church, 18960 North Applegate Road (at the corner of Hwy. 238 and N. Applegate Road). Weigh-in starts at 8:30 am; the meeting starts at 9:00 am. Come join us!

Josephine County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) meets Thursdays at 6 pm. For meeting information, call Connie Young at 541-846-6051.

Applegate Valley Community Forum (AVCF) meets the third Thursday of each month, location alternating between Applegate and Ruch. For more information, call Pat Gordon at 541-899-7655.

Greater Applegate Community Development Corporation meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Applegate Library on North Applegate Road in downtown Applegate. For more information, call toll-free at 866-289-1638.

American Association of University Women (AAUW) Grants Pass area meets monthly from September to June. College degree required for membership. Days and locations vary. Contact Ann Kistler 541-471-1963 or Kathy Kirchen 541-846-9039.

AA Meeting Tuesday nights at 7 pm in Williams. Upstairs at the American Legion Hall. Contact Stan at 541-846-0734.

Applegate Library Hours
Sunday.....closed
Monday.....closed
Tuesday.....2 pm - 6 pm
Wednesday.....closed
Thursday.....closed
Friday.....2 pm - 6 pm
Saturday.....10 am - 2 pm
(Storytime will be held Tuesdays at 2:30 pm.)

Ruch Branch Library Hours
Sunday.....closed
Monday.....closed
Tuesday.....11 am - 5 pm
Wednesday.....closed
Thursday.....1 pm - 7 pm
Friday.....closed
Saturday.....12 pm - 4 pm
(Storytime will be held Tuesdays at 11 am.)

Friends of Ruch Library Board of Directors meets monthly. Check with the Ruch Library for schedule. 541-899-7438.

Food & Friends Senior Nutrition Program invites local 60+ seniors to enjoy a nutritious, hot meal served at 11:30 am Monday through Friday at the Jacksonville IOOF Hall located at the corner of Main and Oregon Streets. A donation is

suggested and appreciated. Volunteers help serve meals or deliver meals to homebound seniors. For information about volunteering (it takes 40 volunteers to keep the Jacksonville program going) or receiving meals, call Food & Friends at 541-664-6674, x246 or x208.

Williams Library Hours
Sunday.....closed
Monday.....closed
Tuesday.....1:30 pm - 4 pm
Wednesday.....1:30 pm - 4 pm
Thursday.....closed
Friday.....closed
Saturday.....12 pm - 4 pm

Josephine County Farm Bureau. For meeting information, call Connie Young at 541-846-6051.

Upper Applegate Grange #239 Business meetings: second Thursday at 7:30 pm. Potluck/Social meetings: fourth Friday at 7:30 pm, open to the public. Join us for informative meetings, fun and involvement in community service. Sponsors of Boy Scout Pack Troop #18. Call 541- 899-6987.

Williams Rural Fire Protection District Meetings: fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at the Williams Fire Department.

Williams Creek Watershed Council Meetings: fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at the Williams Creek Fire Station. The Public is welcome. For more information, call 541- 846-9175.

Williams Grange Pancake Breakfast: second Sunday of each month, 8:30 am to 11:00 am. Closed July and August. Bring the whole family! 20100 Williams Hwy, corner of Tetherow Road near the Williams General Store. For more information, call 541-846-6844.

Wonder Neighborhood Watch Meetings: second Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm, Wonder Bible Chapel.

Applegate Fire District Board of Directors meets on the third Wednesday of each month at Station 1 – 18489 N. Applegate Rd. at 7:30 pm. Except for the months of March, April and May, which are held at Headquarters – 1095 Upper Applegate Rd. For more information, call 541-899-1050.

Applegate Neighborhood Network (ANN) meets on the last Wednesday of every month at the Ruch Library. All interested persons are welcome to attend. ANN is a community organization dedicated to protecting, preserving, and restoring the Applegate watershed. For more information about ANN, call Duane Bowman, 541-899-7264.

Women Helping Other Women (WHOW) meets the second Thursday of the month at 10036 Hwy 238 (Gyda Lane) at 6:30 pm for a potluck meeting to plan work parties at each other's homes. New members are welcome. For more information, call Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-8741 or Sioux Rogers at 541-846-7736.

Applegate Lake Cub Scouts Pack #18 (Ruch Region) Outdoor activity (fishing, rafting, hikes, etc.) the first Friday of each month; regular meeting the third Friday of each month. Upper Applegate Grange from 10 am to 1 pm. All boys in grades first through fifth including homeschoolers, Ruch students, and non-Ruch students are welcome. For more information, contact Cub Leader Vic Agnifili at 541-899-1717.

Applegate Partnership and Watershed Council meets the 4th Thursday of the month at the Applegate Library. For more information call 541-899-9982.

Email calendar information to gater@applegater.org.

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Jackson County

Oregon State University Extension Service

Master Gardener™ Program



Special Classes and Activities

Saturday February 13, 9 am - 12 pm

GRAPE PRUNING

Chris Hubert, Quail Run Vineyard

The emphasis of this class will be growing grapes in the home garden, especially how, when, and where to prune. Participants will also learn terminology that applies to growing grapes, care of grapes, and solutions for common grape problems in the home garden. The class will conclude with an outdoor demonstration in pruning grapes, so dress for the weather. This class qualifies for Master Gardener recertification hours.

Saturday February 20, 9 am - 12 pm

FRUIT TREE PRUNING

Terry Helfrich, Professional Orchardist

The emphasis of this class will be growing fruit trees in the home garden especially how, when, and where to prune. Selection of trees and planting site, tree structure, planting requirements, spacing, tree training will also be discussed with the goal of producing more fruit. The class will conclude with an outdoor demonstration in pruning fruit trees, so dress for the weather. This class qualifies for Master Gardener recertification hours.

There is a fee of \$5.00 per class unless indicated otherwise. Master Gardeners wearing their badges are admitted free (materials fees still apply). The classes are held at the OSU Extension Center located at 569 Hanley Road, Central Point, Oregon. 541-776-7371.

To learn more about Jackson county Master Gardener Association go to: <http://extension.orst.edu/sorec/mg>.

The Master Gardener Program educates local gardeners on the art and science of growing and caring for plants. Trained Master Gardener volunteers extend sustainable gardening information to their communities through educational outreach programs.

Student Scholarship Opportunity

The Applegate Valley Garden Club (AVGC) has some exciting news! The garden club is offering a \$500 scholarship to the college of your choice for the fall of 2010 This is a non-renewable scholarship for first time college students only—no matter what age or financial need. Please note college courses taken during the time of high school attendance do not disqualify you from this scholarship.

If you are a Hidden Valley High or South Medford High student, contact the appropriate office for an application and the criteria sought by the club. If you are a home-schooled student, have already graduated from high school (or received your GED), served in the military and are back home now, have a job, or have become a homemaker and are now ready to attend college, contact a club member for an application and a list of essay questions to be answered.

Hurry though, there is a deadline of March 31, 2010, in which the application, at least one letter of recommendation, and answers to essay questions must be submitted to the Applegate Valley Garden Club for consideration.

If you receive the award, the money will be given to the Scholarship Office at the college of your choice for distribution once you have enrolled in six or more units for the fall 2010 semester/quarter.

The criteria are as follows:

1. Must be an Applegate Valley resident
2. Minimum high school GPA of 2.5
3. Your major course of study should demonstrate an interest in the development activities of the Applegate Valley:

- Agriculture
- Forestry
- Culinary Arts
- Viticulture
- Veterinary Services
- Restaurant/Hotel Management
- Landscaping
- Environmental Engineering
- Business Administration
- Other related fields of study

Call Sue Bailey at 541-899-3273 for further information and an application packet. Again, South Medford High and Hidden Valley High students need to contact their respective schools for the application packet. The above contact number is for home-schooled students or students who have already graduated from high school and meet the above mentioned criteria.

The garden club strives to give back to the residents of the beautiful Applegate Valley and to make this a better place to live for all of us.