

NONPROFIT NEWS AND UPDATES

— Applegate Valley Community Grange —

Our fall Harvest Fair in October was a wonderful celebration with lots of crafts, photography, plants, educational information, and artwork from many local community members. Throughout the day we had great music provided by Tim Fankhauser, Tom Klinefelter, and Ted Cowan, and wonderful food prepared and served by the folks at Provolt Country Store and Deli. The Grange had some fundraisers with proceeds going toward upgrading our acoustics and carpet in the main hall.

Our next Fair and Art Show will be held in the spring of 2016, so watch for our banners and flyers. Our focus again will be on local craft and agricultural products. We are always looking for more participants, especially those who have plants for spring landscaping and gardening. If you are interested, contact Janis Mohr-Tipton at 541-846-7501 or janismohrtipton48@frontier.com.

Something new is happening: Bring a friend and meet other community members!

Bingo at the Grange is happening on the third Sunday of each month from 4 to 7 pm. Bring a friend and come have some fun. Snacks are available, and all the games are split 50/50 or special prizes seasonally.

The Grange is sponsoring some crafting classes in the Grange in 2016 with Jerry Greer and Sandra Flowers from the The Woodcarving Place in Jacksonville (see article on page 23). Those of you who came to the fall

Harvest Fair saw their booth displays and the wonderful carvings by local people who took their classes.

In February, Sandra will lead an easy craft class where you will create your own cookie plate for display or as a gift. Materials and supplies will be provided. A minimum of six people is needed, and the cost is \$15.

In March, Jerry will lead a beginning carving class for participants to carve a fish that can be displayed flat, hung, or placed on a simple pedestal. All materials and carving supplies will be provided. A minimum of six people is needed for this class. The cost is \$45, which includes a new carving knife (\$22 value) that is yours to keep.

Once class minimums are met, dates will be scheduled for each class.

If you are interested, or know someone who might also like to come, please contact Janis. More classes with Sandra and Jerry are possible if there is interest.

There's room for more classes, so if you have something you want to teach, call Janis.

We are entering into a new year and looking for more community members who would like to join the Grange. Help us grow and support more community events and activities. Contact Paul Tipton at 541-846-7501 or ptipton@frontier.com.

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— Applegate Food Pantry —

Due to Ruch school being in session, the pantry will be closed on January 25 and April 4. Please remember to drive slowly through school grounds. And if you need to bring children with you, please keep an eye on them; they are not allowed to wander around the school.

I would like to thank the Ruch Country Store and community members for their donations. I would also like to thank all the volunteers who donate their time to help to run the

pantry every week. We could also use more strong volunteers who can help unload the delivery truck and carry boxes out to clients. If you would like to help one or more Mondays a month, please contact the pantry manager.

Pantry hours are 9:30 – 11 am on Mondays. There are no sign-ins after 11 am. The pantry is closed the last Monday of every month.

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— Williams Grange —

Here is the current line-up of activities at Williams Grange:

Mondays—Abby's yoga from 9 to 10:30 am; acroyoga from 7 to 9 pm.

Tuesdays—Zumba from 9 to 10 am; men's group at 7 pm (every second and fourth Tuesday).

Wednesdays—Cass's yoga from 6 to 7:30 pm.

Thursdays—Zumba from 9 to 10 am; Ecstatic dance classes with Kris from 5:30 to 8:30 pm (no class every fourth Thursday); OSGG at 7 pm (every fourth Thursday). Starting November 19 is an Aikido class for kids from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. Call Michelle for information (see Williams Grange Facebook page for poster and phone numbers).

Fridays—Cassidy's yoga from 9 to 10:30 am; Ecstatic dance last Friday of the month from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

Williams Grange is available for rentals all year long for classes or events like birthdays, meetings, etc. Contact Sandi Brown for cost and particulars, contact numbers for instructors of classes, and new classes added after this issue of the *Applegater* has been printed.

Pancake breakfasts have started back up and are held every second Sunday from 8:30 to 11 am with a bluegrass jam from 11 am to 1 pm. Upcoming dates are December 13, January 10, and February 14.

For information on other activities during the year, go to <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Williams-Grange/113382085361984> or contact Sandi Brown at goldenpaw7@aol.com or 541-846-6919. Williams Grange is at 20100 Williams Highway, Williams.

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— Pacifica —

Eighty happy kids will attest to the great day camps held at Pacifica last summer. Young chefs in Cooking Camp created daily feasts of fresh local foods and took a trip to Pendleton's Bakery. Different musicians visited Music Camp each day, and the campers went home with a recording of a song they had written and played instruments to. In Nature Camp, kids made their own outdoor homes, found more tadpoles and butterflies than they knew existed, and learned to fish and tie fishing flies with the Rogue Steelheaders. The Herbal Camp made a wonderful collection of salves and tinctures. Art Camp made a delightfully messy collage of projects. Games and Stories was great fun, as was Acting Camp.

Speaking of classes: is there a class (for adults or children) that *you* or someone you know might like to lead or request? For next spring, we are looking for teachers and classes of any kind: art, crafts, nature, you name it. You can set your fee and time (one day, weekly, monthly, etc.). We can provide space and help you organize. Please let us know: call 541-660-4295 or 541-621-6278.



Kids built birdhouses at Nature Camp with the help of Siskiyou Audubon.

Save the date. The 16th Annual Winter Arts Festival will be held on Saturday, December 5, from 10 am to 4 pm. Free entrance to live music, children's activities, great food, along with 25 local artists with high-quality, handmade jewelry, ceramics, fiber creations, leather, photographs, paintings, and more. Poetry readings by the Applegate Poets at 1 pm and 3 pm.

Pacifica is an education-based nonprofit with 500 protected acres between Applegate and Williams open *free* to the public! We'd love to have you visit. It's a great place (even in winter!) for hiking, fishing, dog walking, bird watching, and horseback riding.

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