



Jackson County
Library
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Josephine
Community



**My library
works for me.**

— Applegate Library —

Whew! It's hard to believe that summer has come and is on its way out! That means school will be starting soon, so be on the lookout for kiddos waiting along the road for the bus or carpool ride. Be patient when you get behind a school bus, and by all means *slow down* in the school zones.

Summer Reading was a great hit this year. Twenty-two children, six teens, and a handful of adults participated. Our "Red, White, Blue I Spy" display gathered the young and young-at-heart looking to find not-so-hidden treasures. Thanks to all who contributed, and congratulations to all the winners. Remember to stay active!

Come enjoy a movie at the library. Bring the children every Saturday at noon to watch a fun family film or Wednesdays at noon for a classic film. September films are all comedy, and in October...you guessed it: thriller chillers!

And, our *new* copier can do it all—color, black and white, is thumb-drive compatible, has a scanner—and we can even send faxes.

Upcoming events

- "Movie at Noon" every Wednesday (classics) and Saturday (kid-friendly).
- Storytime every Saturday at 10:30 am, followed by a fun craft.

- "Talk Story" with David Kennedy every second Saturday of the month at 7 pm. Join David as he continues a respected tradition in many cultures where the personal sharing of important stories preserves them for future generations. Sit with other members of your community and share stories from your life. You may come and listen or let your voice be heard. Bring the kids, the grandparents, and anyone in between.

- On Friday, September 30, at 5 pm, folk musician Tim Holt will be performing and discussing the songs of Tom Paxton, U. Utah Phillips, Woody Guthrie, and a number of other folk singers in a program that will include railroad songs, hobo songs, songs of the western migration, and Dust Bowl ballads.

Tim will encourage everyone to sing along to classics like "500 Miles," "The Wabash Cannonball," and Woody Guthrie's "So Long, It's Been Good To Know Yuh." Learn more about the history of this restless nation as expressed in its music and poetry.

All of these programs are sponsored by Friends of Applegate Library (FOAL) and are *free* to the public.

For more information, contact branch manager Lisa Martin at 541-846-7346 or lmartin@jcls.org.

— Williams Branch Library —

A fall full of fun!

Programs and events

- Storytime: Wednesdays at 3:30 pm followed by a craft project.
- Infant and Toddler Storytime. Beginning in September, the youngest library patrons and their caregivers are invited for this interactive playful introduction to books and other little ones in the community.
- Halloween Party: Saturday, October 29, 5 to 7 pm.

Eighth annual Readapalooza: Free bookish fun for everyone

Come celebrate reading, books, and community on October 22 and 23, during "Readapalooza," hosted by Josephine Community Libraries in Grants Pass. The weekend is filled with activities for all ages, including a Storytime Celebration and the Plot Planning Party for National Novel Writing Month (November) on Saturday, October 22, and the Community Read-Aloud for children, teens, and adults on Sunday, October 23. For more information, visit josephinelibrary.org.

Overdue fees? No problem!

Come back to the library and start the school year with a clean slate. Make a donation to a local nonprofit right here in Williams in lieu of cash for overdue

fees. Fees can accumulate quickly, especially with stacks of children's books. Stop in during Back to School Fine Amnesty from September 6 to 17. Each donated item forgives \$5 in fines. Josephine Community Libraries will credit accounts with previously incurred fines regardless of how long overdue the items are. Replacement costs for lost or damaged items or lost library cards will not be resolved by donations.

Volunteers always needed and appreciated

The Williams Branch Library is currently in need of volunteers to work the front desk, help with the children's Summer Reading Program, and support events with the Williams Friends of the Library. Everyone is welcome. Opportunities include helping with children's programs, special one-time events, and tasks to keep our branch vibrant and strong.

To join Williams Friends of the Library, volunteer, or share your skills with local children, please stop by the Williams branch. The Williams library is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 1 to 5 pm. For more information, contact Brandace Rojo, library assistant, Josephine Community Libraries, at 541-476-0571 ext.112.

— Ruch Library —

The Summer Reading Program at Ruch Library was a roaring success with over 100 children and a dozen adults taking part. Way to go, Ruch readers!!!

Ruch Country Store sells paperbacks and shares the profits with the Friends of Ruch Library (FORL). People who donate paperbacks to the store before September 15 will have their name entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate to the Ruch Country Store.

FORL, in partnership with Ruch School, would like to establish "Little Libraries" in neighborhoods around Ruch. The Little Libraries are larger than mailboxes and hold a variety of donated books that can be borrowed on the honor

system. We need (1) a location that is visible and within reach for residents and (2) a local resident to be the steward of the Little Library, making sure it stays well stocked (FORL will supply the gently used books). If you are interested, please call Peggy at 541-899-1699 or come into the library.

Mark your calendars

Meetings, presentations, and two book sales are coming up.

- FORL's next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8, at 6:30 pm in the library's Community Room. Community outreach and partnerships will be discussed, so be sure to attend and have your voice heard!

- Tom Landis will present "Monarchs and Milkweed," on Saturday, September 24, from 2 to 3:30 pm. Retired from the forest service after 30 years as a nursery specialist, Tom will tell us about creating pollinator habitat for monarchs and how to grow native milkweed species—something we can do to make a difference. You won't want to miss this!

- Two book sales are coming up! Our fall sale on Friday, September 30, and Saturday, October 1, will be held from 10 am to 5 pm in the library, A-frame Bookstore, and all points in between.

Our holiday sale will be held on Tuesday, December 6, Thursday, December 8, and Saturday, December 10, in the library's Community Room and A-frame Bookstore. Be sure to stop

by for some incredible bargains and holiday gifts!

- "Memory Difficulties: Should I Be Worried?" is the title of a presentation by Sharon Johnson, MS, CAPS, and associate professor emeritus at Oregon State University. The informative program will be held on Saturday, October 22, from 2 to 4 pm.

- Dave Baker will be back in early December for another look at the Arctic. Stay tuned!

- Join us Tuesday mornings for Babies and Wobbler's Storytime at 10:15 am and Preschool Storytime at 11:30 am. It's a great time for the little folks!

For more information, contact branch manager Thalia Truesdell at 541-899-7438 or ttruesdell@jcls.org.

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