

— Applegate Library —

Wild reads and wonder!



BY CHRISTINE GRUBB

The Applegate Library provides educational programs, classes, resources, and meeting room space. We give the Applegate community the tools they need to succeed, including story times, musical performances, technology support, and everything from books, e-books, and audiobooks to music and movies.

The Summer Reading Program (SRP) theme this year is “Embrace the Wild.” Take a walk on the wild side and join us for programs throughout the summer.

Upcoming events

Gentle Yoga with Teri, 18+ years. Join us for gentle Hatha yoga for *every body*. This foundational practice benefits mind, body, and spirit. *Please bring your own mat and/or blanket*. No registration or experience required. 8:30-9:30 am Tuesday, June 3 and 17; July 1 and 15; and August 5 and 19.

Summer Reading Program Kick-off Party, 3+ years. Sign up for the Summer Reading Program! Win prizes, engage in a scavenger hunt, enjoy light refreshments, and get ready for a summer of reading! 12:30-2 pm Saturday, June 7.

Embrace Your Inner Wild: Music and Movement with Laurie Finear, 8+ years. This class combines singing, rhythm, movement, and sign language. Get ready to sing beloved songs from around the world and make music together. 1-2 pm Saturday, June 14.

Rewild with Earth Dumplings! 3+ years. Learn how to make Earth Dumplings—also known as seed cookies—an ancient Japanese practice. Making seed bombs is a wonderful way to bring nourishment to the soil and flowers and add joy! 12:30-1:30 pm Saturday, June 21.

Learn, Fold, Create! 8+ years. Create wild animals out of paper with FOLD Rogue Valley! Learn your first origami skills or level up with a variety of models and challenge levels for all ages. 1-2:30 pm Saturday, June 28.

Storytelling with Will Hornyak, 6+ years. From American tall tales and Native American myths to Mexican fables, Russian fairy-tales, and beyond, Will Hornyak weaves a wide web of beautifully crafted stories from oral traditions around the world. 1-2 pm Saturday, July 12.

Aprende a bailar con el Ballet Folklórico/Learn to Dance with Ballet Folklórico, 6+ AÑOS/6+ YRS. *Practica danzas folclóricas tradicionales y aprende sobre las diversas culturas de diferentes estados de México en un ambiente divertido*

y acogedor. No se requiere experiencia. Practice traditional folk dances and learn about the diverse cultures from different states of Mexico in a fun and supportive atmosphere. 1-2 pm Saturday, July 12.

Bugs as Food? That's Wild! Learn about Bugs with John Jackson of Bugs R Us, 6+ years. Witness some of the largest preserved insects on Earth! You will get to touch many of them. Noon-1 pm Tuesday, July 29.

Make Your Landscape More Wild with Kristina from the Pollinator Project, 18+ years. In this program, Kristina will share philosophies and practicalities in creating a more wild landscape for your home and community. With real-life stories, videos, and plant resources and lists, you'll be ready to go a little more wild. 2-3 pm Saturday, August 2.

Love Where You Live, Defend What You Love with the Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center (KS Wild), 18+ years. In this program, we'll dig into details about the region's unique nature, highlight some of our favorite spots on public lands, and talk about how folks can get engaged with local advocacy in the region. 1-2 pm Saturday, August 16.

Cole Cullen in Concert, 8+ years. Singer/songwriter Cole Cullen (colecullen.com) will perform songs from his recently released CDs with a possible guest or two. 5:30-6:30 pm Thursday, August 28.

Reminders

A Digital Services representative will be at the Applegate branch library on Tuesdays from 10 am-12:30 pm on a first-come-first-serve 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 meeting, program, or event (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 available inside during open hours.

Preschool Storytime is Fridays from 11-11:30 am.

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— Ruch Library —

Embrace the wild!

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Embrace the wild this summer at the Ruch Library! Join us for programs that focus on wilderness, free-spirited art and movement, and of course, reading with reckless abandon. Summer Reading runs from June 1 to August 31—all ages are encouraged to participate online and/or by registering in person. Summer readers will receive a gift book and be entered in a drawing!

Nature Journaling 101, 12+ years. Kickstart your nature journaling practice with educators from the Applegate Partnership & Watershed Council. We will begin the workshop with a 30-minute presentation at the library, then caravan one mile to Cantrall Buckley Park. All materials are provided. This is a two-part series; participants can attend one or both events. 1-3 pm Saturday, June 7 and 14.

Behind-the-Scenes with Southern Oregon PBS, 18+ years. Southern Oregon PBS documentary filmmakers will share their experiences and demonstrate how they adapt to and engage with people, places, and communities across our region. 4-5 pm Thursday, June 12.

Wildflower Embroidery. Join us in making a beautiful wildflower embroidery keepsake. No experience needed. A kit is provided: hoop, fabric, needle, and thread! *Registration required at jcls.org/events or by calling the Ruch Library*. 1-2 pm Saturday, June 21.

Music and Movement with Laurie Finear, 8+ years. This class combines singing, rhythm, movement, and sign language. Get ready to sing beloved songs from around the world! 1-2 pm Saturday, June 28.

Southern Oregon Mammals Spotlight: Beavers!, 18+ years. Biologists from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife will discuss the fascinating history and biology of beavers, as well as their amazing effects on riverine ecology. 1-2 pm Saturday, July 5.

Drawing with Janis, 16+ years. “Embrace the Wild” through a new way of drawing that uses Zentangle-inspired structural patterns of lines, shapes, and dots in a nature-inspired shape. All skill levels are welcome, and materials are provided. If you have a favorite wild animal or plant, bring a picture of it to transform into an outline shape. 5-6:30 pm Thursday, July 10.

Drawing with Janis, 6+ years. “Embrace the Wild” with a new way of drawing. We'll take a fun animal shape and fill it with interesting, repeating patterns of shapes, lines, and dots. All materials provided. 1-2 pm Saturday, July 19.

Reptiles & Amphibians. John Jackson of Bugs-R-U's is bringing his portable zoo to Ruch! This program showcases live animals, including a box turtle, bearded dragon lizard, various frogs, and a few models. 1-2 pm Saturday, July 26.

Storytelling with Will Hornyak, 6+ years. From American tall tales and Native American myths to Mexican fables, Russian fairy-tales, and beyond, Will Hornyak weaves a wide web of beautifully crafted stories from oral traditions around the world. 1-2 pm Saturday, August 2.

Basic Beekeeping, all ages. Join us as we discuss the wonderful world of bees and their importance for our survival! There will “bee” a live hive, activities and crafts for the kids, and honey sticks for all, courtesy of Southern Oregon Beekeepers Association. 1-2:30 pm Saturday, August 9.

Learn to Dance with Ballet Folklórico, 6+ years. Practice traditional folk dances and learn about the diverse cultures from different states of Mexico in a fun and supportive atmosphere. 4-5 pm Thursday, August 14.

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

Computer and Tech Help. Meet with a Technology Education Specialist by appointment or drop in. 10 am-12:30 pm Tuesdays and 2-4:30 pm Thursdays.

Kaleidoscope Play and Learn (KPL), 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 am-noon every Thursday.

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

Community Yoga, 13+ years. Join us for an all-levels yoga class with Dr. Rachel Stricker. The Community Room will open at 8:45 and class will begin at 9:00. *Registration required at jcls.org/events or by calling the Ruch Library*. *Bring your own mat*. 9-10 am second and fourth Wednesdays.

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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

■ APPLGATE GRANGE

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the concrete building much cozier for our community gatherings. This spring, we have been painting the interior of the Grange, giving it a fresh new look. We will continue with building upgrades and maintenance as funds allow.

We've hosted a themed Bingo Night every third Saturday of the month since December, which has been a lot of fun, and we plan to keep those going several times a year. Our first pancake breakfast in mid-March was a huge success, and we plan to host many more. Thanks to all local businesses that donated food and beverages to the Grange for this event—we couldn't have done it without you.

It has been proven that joining a club can significantly benefit your life. You'll meet new people, improve your overall

health and well-being, have access to more community support, and embrace a sense of belonging. They say you'll live longer too. Interested in becoming a member? Join us at our monthly potluck and meeting to pick up a member form.

Member dues for the entire year are \$65 for individuals and \$115 for families. \$50 of each individual membership and \$100 of each family membership are sent to the Oregon State Grange as payment for the building and access to Grange benefits. We keep \$15 of each membership payment to benefit the Upper Applegate Grange, which helps us maintain the building, provide community events, pay Grange bills, etc. If you'd like to be involved and informed about these ventures, please join us at our monthly meetings and potlucks, which take place every second Sunday of the month. We enjoy a lovely



Grange President, Tommy Maddox, presenting the Charter at the April meeting.

lunch potluck in the Grange dining hall at 1 pm, then gather for a meeting in the main hall at 2 pm. This is a great way to develop relationships, and we encourage all members and interested folks to attend.

As a nonprofit organization, we depend on our fundraising events, membership dues, and donations to keep the Grange open and active. We are always accepting monetary donations and new members.

If you would like to be added to our Grange email list to stay up to date on events and information, please send us an email. Want to host an event or have ideas for events or learning opportunities? We'd love to hear from you! To schedule an event, contact Rebecca Maddox at

541-951-6765. Follow us on Facebook at Upper Applegate Grange #839. See you at the Grange, Applegater!

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