

Editor's note: The Ruch Branch Library report—Thalia Truesdell's last—was inadvertently omitted from the fall Applegater (an article about Thalia was included). Here is that report (without dated events that have already passed).



— Ruch Library — A summer reading thank-you

BY THALIA TRUESDELL

The Summer Reading Theme at Ruch Library this year was "Treasures of the Applegate." We certainly have an abundance of those gems—flora, fauna, historical sites, amazing people, thriving local businesses, visions for the future, schools, trails, recreational opportunities, farms...and so much more. It was a rich opportunity to showcase our vital community.

We would like to thank the following people and businesses for their contributions to our prizes and incentives for the Summer Reading Program at Ruch Library: Ruch Country Store, Born Again Thrift Store, Valley View Winery, Outpost Farm and Garden, Twin Pear Farm, The English Lavender Farm, A Greater Applegate, Pennington Farms, Thalia Truesdell, and Barbara Krack and the Friends of Ruch Library (FORL).

Upcoming event

Some Geology of Southern Oregon, 1 - 3 pm Saturday, November 12, with Geologist Mark Prchal. Mark is back after participating in our five-person panel on Treasures of the Applegate in

June, explaining the formation of Squaw Lake. In this presentation, Mark will share with you how and why many southern Oregon geologic features were formed, including Crater Lake, volcanoes, the Siskiyou and Cascade ranges, the Coming Big Earthquake, and more. Come and enjoy his new and exciting geologic stories!

A final thank-you

I retired at the end of June as the branch manager at Ruch Library after almost 14 glorious years, giving me more time for gardening, weaving, and piano lessons. I cannot thank this community enough for making my tenure at the library such a rewarding and exciting experience. All that I love came together in this position, and being in the hub of Ruch and sharing a beautiful partnership with Ruch Outdoor Community School meant this was my dream job! The new branch manager (see page 2) should be settling in as you read this, so please stop by and introduce yourself.

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Diana Coogle hawks cakewalk tickets at the Gater-est Show on Earth.
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