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August Newsletter

"From the time I found myself at home in that little segregated library in the South, all the way up until I walked up the steps of the New York City library, I always felt, in any town, if I can get to a library, I'll be OK. It really helped me as a child, and that never left me." Maya Angelou

Libraries are powerful centers for connection - not only to reading, but also to culture and the local community.

Whenever I visit a new place, I like to make a special trip to the library. Walking through the stacks and the reading area gives me what feels like a unique lens to the local community's character and spirit.

This character is reflected in each of the 15 branch libraries in the Jackson County Library System. The Jacksonville Library has a large local history section that reflects the town's status as 1 of 17 National Historic Landmarks in Oregon. The Shady Cove Library displays artwork based on a book and created by the elementary school. From Prospect to Ashland to Rogue River, each library has its own distinct feel, architecture, and programming.

This unique lens emphasizes that libraries are at the heart of the communities they serve. We greatly appreciate your support of this vital cultural and educational center.

Thank you!

Amy Drake, Executive Director

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New JCLF Website!

We are so excited to share that we have a new website. Please take a look and let us know what you think.

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Baby's First Book Haiku

We recently entered the [Oregon Community Foundation's](#) 2017 Grantseekers Haiku Contest, and we wanted to share our haiku with you!

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The [Jackson County Library Foundation](#) is the philanthropic partner of the [Jackson County Library System](#). We provide additional funding for district-wide projects, long range planning, and capital enhancements to help create a community focused on learning, connecting, and growing.

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