



The Echo



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America in Bloom

America in Bloom (AIB) judges will arrive on June 2 for their annual review of our community. A reception to meet and greet the judges will be held at 1:30 pm at the skatepark as part of the skatepark dedication. The public is invited. Please come and tell the judges about our community. Judge Dwight Lund is making his second visit to Echo, he was one of the judges during our first year in 2006. Refreshments will be served.

Following the reception at 3:30 the Sno Road Winery will open followed by a tour of the vineyard **Thanks for your support of this program.**

May AIB Donations: American Printing \$25; Iva Bishop \$25; Echo Quarterback Club \$100; Frank & Bev Harkenrider \$50; Clyde & Betty Noble (Fort Storage) \$25; Doris Pitzer \$25; Selder's Family \$5; Verlyn & Janet Schulz \$100; Robert Tolar in Memory of Bennie Lee Tolar \$100;

Reunion/Anniversary

About 75 people attended the afternoon potluck to celebrate a community reunion and 10th anniversary of the city hall restoration. Guests included Rep. Bob Jensen &



Community Barbeque

The community is invited to the Echo Community Church on Sunday, June 6th at 1 pm for a Barbeque Lunch. This is a fundraiser for Camp Scholarships to send Echo children and youth to camp this summer. The lunch is free, but donations are accepted. There will be games, music, good food, entertainment and S'mores for dessert.

Skatepark Dedication

When: June 2, 1:30 pm
Where: Skatepark
What: Dedication, refreshments & door



prize drawings: a skateboard, a helmet, pads, and an Echo t-shirt.

Plaques will be provided to Grindline

Skateparks, Dale and Jerrie Fife and Kopacz Nursery.

Kiwanis Cleanup

Members of the Echo Kiwanis Club, their families and other volunteers helped beautify Echo on May 15. They picked up debris around town, painted Main Street benches, weeded, planted



(reunion continued) Larry Givens and Dennis Doherty. Guests came from as far as Boise and Arizona. Opal Howard was honored as one of our elder and long-time residents.

Donations: Donations toward the event were received from Bonnie Berry \$40; Robert McVicker \$100; Dorothy & Bud Graham \$30;

(Kiwanis cleanup cont.)
flowers and
washed and
swept down
Main Street.



Community Service Day

Echo Schools held their annual Community Service Day on May 13. Students undertook projects throughout the community from helping senior residents to making the town tidy and beautiful with garbage cleanup and planting flowers.

Kindergarten & 1st grade—washed city, police and fire vehicles

2nd & 3rd Grades—cleanup school grounds

4th grade—pick-up trash on Thielsen

5th grade—pick-up trash, pull weeds, around

school perimeter & tennis courts

7th & 8th grade—pulled weeds & helped seniors;

9th grade—swept & cleaned fire/covered wagon museum at the Fort Henrietta Park.



10th grade—Placed bark, planted flowers & weeded at Fort Henrietta Park

11th grade—Placed bark, pulled weeds, planted @ Museum Garden

Seniors—Cleaned up around the "E", help with senior yards. The 6th grade was at Outdoor school.

Thanks to Kathy Ferge for getting funding for a drop box.

Thanks to the School & Kiwanis!!!



Coleen's A Cut Above

Come in & take a look at the new & improved shop. We have expanded & remodeled.

A Second Chair: introducing Jessica White who will be a full time stylist. **New Services:** eyebrow waxing & facials.

Tanning Room

Sunvision Elite 20 min. bed
Unlimited Monthly \$35
10 tans—\$40
Single tan—\$5

New Hours:

Tues., Wed. & Fri. 10 am-6 pm
Thurs. 9 am-4 pm



May Library Donations

Thank you for your donations this month:

Beverly Cragun	70 books
Janie Enright	7 magazines & 3 books
Gayle Fisher	16 books
Rebecca Gronewold	25 books
Aubree Lawrence	5 books
Barb Seeger	30 books
Peggy Westfall	129 books
Anonymous	\$15 for children's books

Community Garden

City Councilor Pasquale Anolfo has volunteered to oversee the Echo Community Garden project. The garden will be located in what was formerly space #8 at the Trailer Park on the corner of Dale and Buckley Streets.

The garden will start out with two



raised beds this year. If you would like to be involved

contact Pasquale at 541-376-8646.

We Noticed Program

Don't forget if you notice a neighbor or business that has undertaken a beautification or improvement project, let us know.

Glenn Rohde—tearing down the grain storage building on N. Thielsen.



Colleen Brown & girls for planting the tree well on Main St. at Fife Apartments and placing planters along the sidewalk.

Todd & Scott Dorn & Monte Naugher for painting the Historic Dorn Building on Bridge Street.

The Cassidy / Selders Household for planters on the street/ Bridge Street.

Rebecca & Al Gronewald—Smith Dr. for renovating their garden.

Ruth @ Fife RV Park—planters.

Echo Church—planters & Sprague St. Garden.

Phyllis Shovelski—Main St. Planters.

Street Beautification—Yards & houses on both sides of W. Buckley between Dale and Bonanza and the south side of Buckley between Bonanza & Dupont are neat & colorful.



Beautification Contest

Judging for the annual America in Bloom Beautification Contest will begin in July and awards will be presented during National Night Out on August 3. If you would like the judges to look at your backyard, please contact Peggy Haines at city hall.



Make a Splash! Read!

This year's summer reading program will begin on June 17 with a free program by the Dragon Theater at 3 pm at city hall. The Reading program will run through August 5.

Each Thursday there will be a Story &

Craft Time @ 2:30 pm using the Water Theme. Other programs include:

Water Safety, June 24, 2:30 pm

Edible Aquifer Program, July 8, 2:30 pm; Rick Hill with DEQ will talk about the water cycle and groundwater. Then children will build an edible aquifer using ice cream, soda, graham cracker crumbs and sprinkles.

Each child that signs up for the program will receive a free book. At the end of the reading program in August prizes are awarded to those reading the most books in each age group.

Programs for adults: "Water your Mind" & Teens: "Make Waves at Your Library" are also offered. Check with Librarian Karen Beacham for more information.

The library has purchased a number of new books about water for each age group as part of the program. Volunteers to help with



Yard of Month

Karl Jensen's yard on the corner of Bonanza & Halstead has been named the May Yard of the Month by the Echo Garden Club.



Children's Museum Wiener Dogs

The Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon (CMEO) is inviting all dachshund owners to enter their dogs in the 4th annual Wiener Dog Race to benefit the nonprofit organization. This year's event, themed "Snow White and the Seven Dachs-hunds", will be held **Friday, June 25th at 6 pm** on the 400 block of Main Street in downtown Pendleton adjacent to the weekly Farmers Market.

In addition to the relay race event, dog owners of all breeds can enter the costume contest to win the "Best Costume," "Funniest," and "Best Owner/Dog Look-A-Like" categories. The event also includes many family fun activities in-



cluding pony rides, a jump house, a dunk tank, children's carnival games, food and drinks, and raffle prizes. The top raffle prize is two free round trip travel vouchers from Seaport Airlines. In addition, copies of the classic children's book "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" will be given away to thirty lucky winners of a no-cost raffle at the event.

The entry fee for the wiener dogs is \$15 by June 24th, \$20 day of race. The race is limited to 60 participants. Prize packages will be awarded to the top three racers, in addition to the contest winners. Entry forms are available at the museum in Pendleton, online at www.cmeo.org, or by calling 541-276-1066. This year's grand prize is a 1st place CMEO Wiener Dog racing silk and free entry to the Northwest Championship Wiener Dog Race which will be held at the Mt. Angel Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 19th at 3pm. This TV covered event attracts racers and spectators from throughout the State of Oregon. The winner of the Northwest Championship will go on to represent our region at the National Dachshund Race.

Garden Help Websites

The Garden Helper: Helping Gardeners Grow Their Dreams since 1997- <http://www.thegardenhelper.com/>

National Wildlife Federation, Garden for Wildlife: <http://www.nwf.org/Get-Outside/Outdoor-Activities/Garden-for-Wildlife/Create-a-Habitat.aspx?CFID=27883155&CFTOKEN=783ca41149bf845-F72A2FB7-5056-A868-A0F09B22B36D7174>

Garden Web Forums: <http://forums.gardenweb.com/forums/>

The Backyard Gardener: <http://www.backyardgardener.com/>

Water Study Grant

Business Oregon, formerly Oregon Economic Development Department, has awarded the city a \$150,000 grant to hire a consultant to prepare a comprehensive Water study that will include a system analysis, rate study, conservation plan and map. The water system is now 30 years old.

