

The Echo



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Skatepark Dedication



The Echo Skatepark was dedicated on June 2 with about 150 people including Echo Elementary Students attending. Dale & Jerrie Fife donated 3 gift certificates to Scott's Cycle & Sports and the city provided a skateboard, knee pads & a helmet. Plaques were presented to the Fife's for their contributions to the skatepark and Grindline Sports for their construction of the park.



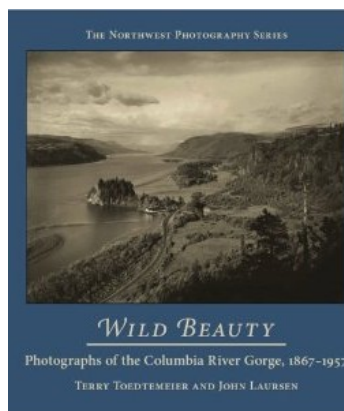
Vintage Clothing Show

The Vintage Clothing Show & Tea will be July 24, 2010 at 1 pm at the City Hall Auditorium. The cost is \$10 per person. Nearly 60 Vintage fashions from 1860 through 1960 complete with hats and other accessories will be featured.



Dainty sandwiches & finger foods as well as delicate & tasty desserts will be served. For further information or to make reservations phone Charlotte Berry at 541-376-8509 or Elaine Ramos at 541-376-8394.

"Wild Beauty" Program



A cache of recently discovered historic photographs of the Columbia River Gorge will be shown at the City Hall Auditorium on July 9 as part of the "Wild Beauty" program that celebrates the book of that title that has Columbia River Gorge photos from 1867 to 1957. The program is free.

"Wild Beauty" illuminates the rich photographic heritage of the Columbia River Gorge over a century of dramatic change, with 134 images by three dozen photographers, including the famed Carleton Watkins, Benjamin Gifford, Fred Kister, Lily White, Sarah Ladd, Alfred Monner and Ray Atkeson. Much of the extraordinary work created dur-



ing this period by Watkins and his successors has never been available for public view. The original prints or negatives are fragile; they exist today primarily because they have been preserved in archival collections.

The presenter is John Laursen, co-author of the book. Laursen is the owner/operator of Press-22, a Portland studio specializing in the design and production of high quality books and text-based public art projects. "The event I do is a PowerPoint presentation of photographs from the book. As I go through the images I talk about the book, and the pictures, and the Gorge, and the photographers, and the circumstances under which the photographers were working. It's a pretty free-flowing talk rather than a lecture per se, and generally I invite questions both during the presentation and after."

The rare photographs have been meticulously restored and then carefully reproduced. Laursen will have copies of the book available for signing.

"Wild Beauty" captures not only the spectacular landscapes that draw us to the river's shores, but the complex and conflicting histories that have played out in the Columbia River Gorge over the past two centuries," said Toby Jurovics, Curator of Photography for the Smithsonian American Art Museum. "Wild Beauty" is a gift to the Columbia and to all who love this majestic and elegant river." The book has just been nominated for the Oregon Books Awards, and is Oregon's first American Masterpieces project, supported by the Oregon Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The program is hosted by the Echo Public Library (541-376-8411) and is sponsored by Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO). Funding for the program tour in eastern Ore-

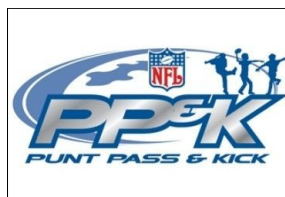
gon has been provided to LEO for its *A Sense of Place* series by the Institute of Museum and Library Sciences (www.imls.gov) in Washington, D.C., the nation's federal agency that encourages collaboration between museums and libraries.

A copy of Wild Beauty is available in the Echo Library.

Punt, Pass & Kick

The Columbia River Hawks, Semi-pro Football team is hosting an NFL Punt, Pass & Kick Competition on July 24th at 10 am at Stanfield High School, 1120 N. Main, Stanfield.

The Competition is FREE and open for boys and girls age 6 to 15. Competition information and entry forms are



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available online at www.columbiariverhawks.com or by calling 541-567-1241.

The NFL Punt, Pass & Kick Competitions allow youth to showcase their talents with scores based on distance and accuracy. Age classifications are based on December 31 birthdates.

The top finishers from each of the age groups at the local competition will advance to a sectional competition. The winners of the sectional competition will have their scores compared with other sectional champions; The top four scorers from the pool of Sectional Champions advance.

Yard of the Month

Echo Garden Club has named the Connie Fisher yard on the NE corner of Kennedy and Bonanza St. as the yard of the month for June.

June Library Donations

Thank you for your donations this month:

Bonnie Berry	2 Books
Jimmy Dorn & Josh White	2 boxes books
Marshall Lilly	9 VHS tapes
Ed McCallum	5 periodicals
Umatilla County Juvenile	2 boxes books
Judith Webb	9 books

We Noticed Program

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

Daina Srofe, NE Corner of Garfield & Perry Street, yard improvements
Jarrod Winters, SW Corner of Bonanza & Sprague, Garden
H & P Café—new paint job & awning.



Make a Splash! Read!

This year's summer reading program will begin on June 17 with a puppet show.

Children can still sign up for the program that runs through August 5.

Each Thursday there will be a Story & Craft Time @ 2:30 pm using the Water Theme.



The next program will be the **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.

Arboretum Memorials

Mark Holben \$40

Skatepark Donations

Echo Kiwanis Club \$25

America in Bloom Donations

Echo Kiwanis Club \$25

Skatepark, Parks & Curfew

The Skatepark is open from 9 am to 8:30 pm. Echo has a parental responsibility ordinance, so parents of children violating curfew or skatepark rules will be cited. Bans will be imposed by the city for violations of skatepark rules such as littering. Please remind your children to read the rule board & follow rules and to pick up their garbage.

City Parks and the Arboretum are open from dawn to dusk, so anyone found in the parks after closing will be cited, or in the

case of juveniles, parents will be cited.

Juvenile Curfew:

Sunday through Thursday 10 pm to 5 am

Friday & Saturday 11 pm to 5 am

America Bloom/Kopacz

America in Bloom judges visited Echo on June 2 and 3rd. A reception to greet the judges was held as part of the skatepark dedi-



cation on June 2. The city also recognized the contributions of America in Bloom Donors and a plaque was provided to Kopacz Nursery to thank

them for their sponsorship of the program and the beautiful flowers they provide each year.

The floral displays around town are



the most beautiful yet. Please stop by the nursery and thank

Tania & Sherrie for supporting our program.

Thanks also to the Kiwanis Club & Echo School for planting flowers, providing bark and other beautification efforts.

Flood Code

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) digitized flood maps last year

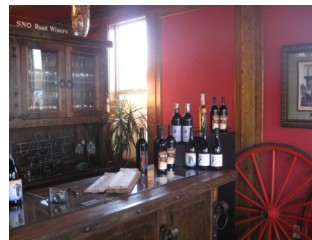
and as a result is requiring the city to update its flood ordinances in order to stay in the Flood Insurance Program. The city will have its first hearing on the proposed code changes

On July 29 at 7:30 pm at a special council meeting at the city hall auditorium. The public is invited to attend.



Alive After 5 pm

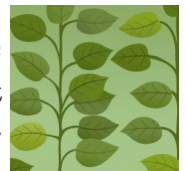
The Hermiston Chamber's Building Bridges & Alive After 5 program will be at the Sno Road Winery in Echo on July 14 at 5 pm.



The event will include a tour of the Echo West Vineyard followed by wine tasting back at the Winery at 210 W. Main.

The Winery is now open for a wine tasting every Friday from 4 to 6:30 pm

Summer Tree Care



Water: The most important aspect of summer tree care is providing sufficient water. Watch your trees, especially young ones for signs of drought stress. . It is best to provide a deep water once to twice a week until they are established. If you place a berm around the tree and fill this with water it should provide sufficient water.

Drought stressed trees will show signs of the stress in the leaves. First leaves will become dull & then begin to curl at the edges prior to wilting. Many trees will start dropping leaves in response to drought and summer heat. Drought stressed trees are more susceptible to disease and insect damage.

Summer Pruning: It is best to concentrate on removing dead or damaged branches. Many trees are susceptible to diseases if pruned in late spring or summer.