

#### **Park Improvements**

The State Parks Department through the lottery funded Local Government Grants Program has awarded the city a \$50,000 grant for Fort Henrietta Park Improvements such as a picnic shelter/restroom and a playground structure. A \$9000 grant from the Echo Community Benefit Fund is providing matching funds for the state grant, and in effect Benefit Fund Grant leveraged the \$50,000 grant.

The project is anticipated to start this fall. The shelter/restroom building will probably be located next to the skatepark & behind space #1 in the RV Park. Donations have also



been received from the Fife Family & K i w a n i s Club.

#### **Beautification Contest**

Members of the Echo Garden Club finished judging the annual Beautification Contest on July 27 and winners will be announced at National Night Out. Attend this free event to find out who won.



### H & P Changes Hands

Echo Graduate Challis Buck and her husband Danny Besser are the new owners of the H & P Café. Challis worked as a waitress at the café while in high school, then went to the East Coast where she bec a m e a



Chef. Her husband Danny was head Chef for a 4 star New Jersey Resort.

Challis and Danny are keeping the old Café menu, but have added a page of items with a gourmet twist such as: Schnitzel "Weiner Art" (breaded thin sliced pork loin, & golden-fried hash browns) Sesame crusted Ahi Tuna, Black Angus Strip Steak; Challis said they plan on changing this page of the menu every couple of weeks.



The annual National Night Out Celebration will be Tuesday, August 2 at the City Park & Masonic Lodge at 7 pm. Last year nearly 250 people attended and hopefully an equal number will attend this year.

NNO activities include:

- Announcement of Beautification Contest Winners
- Petting Zoo (White Boys & Oregon Trail Riders 4 H Club)
- Free meal: hot dogs, chips, cookies, drinks.
- Door prizes such as a DVD player, & donated items.
- A Bouncing Castle
- Kids games.

It's a great opportunity to enjoy the park and get to know your neighbors or meet

other residents of town in a casual and relaxed setting.

NNO is funded through donations from the community members, businesses and civic organization. If you would like to contribute, please drop your donation by city hall or mail to PO Box 9, Echo, OR 97826.

#### Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help with games, serving food and activities. If you are interested, contact Diane Berry at cityhall-376-8411.

National Night Out Donations Thanks to:

Amstad Farms \$50 Anderson Perry \$150 Bi-Mart \$20 Diane Berry \$25 Echo Boosters \$26 Echo Methodist Church \$50 Echo Quarterback Club \$100 Echo Hills Golf Course \$50 Janie Enright \$25 Dale & Jerrie Fife \$50 Fort Henrietta Fnd.\$25 Jeanie & Gene Hampton \$40 His Design Gift & Thrift Shop \$25 Nancy & Tim Novak \$25 Sanitary Disposal Gift Certificates Wildhorse Gaming Resort, [One Fun Package: motel room, 18 holes of golf, casino fun book, tickets to Tamastslikt Museum]

Pat & Judy Wood \$25

#### We Noticed Program

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

- Tim & Jeannette Goldie. Their flower garden along E. Main is from seeds provided to residents as part of the CiB program.
- Dave & Bev Cragun, W. Buckley
- Dawn Rudolph & Trent Fife, Hiestand St.

#### Library Activities

- Aug. 2 (Tues.)Award-winning Oregon Storyteller Christopher Leebrick at City Hall, 2 pm
- Aug. 8—Reading Sheets must be turned in



• Aug. 12—Summer Reading Closing Party, & Awards, 2 pm.

Planned for the Party are games in the park, refreshments, a backpack tie dye party. Children are welcome to attend even if they haven't participated in the reading program so far this summer.

#### Donation Thanks Vintage Clothing

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#### Library

Melvin Ashbeck	14 books
Patty Cisneros	$2  { m audic}$
Rebecca Gronewold	68 DVD
Sharon Lilly	$16\mathrm{VHS}$
Unknown	$71\mathrm{VHS}$
Judy Webb	22 book

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## John Nilsen Concert

The Echo Methodist Church is sponsoring a concert by John Nilsen, Friday, August 19th at 7 pm at the church. Nilsen will also appear at the Hermiston Methodist Church Saturday, Aug. 20 at 2 pm. The concerts are



gram each year; Providing plants, labor & green house space for floral displays & donates annuals for public areas.

- Beautiful Bouquets
- Largest selection of Bedding Plants
- Blooming Plants
  - Gift Center





free, but donations are accepted & CDs can be purchased. For more information, click on "live" at <u>w w w . j o h n n i l s e n . c o m</u> or www.magicwing.com.

**JOHN NILSEN**: Pianist, guitarist, songwriter and recording artist, John Nilsen, is one of the most successful recording artists in the Northwest with CD sales approaching one million copies, Nilsen can be seen performing his original instrumental pieces of jazz, classical, folk and rock throughout the US. Nilsen is a graduate of Southern Oregon University and winner of the 1995 Distinguished Alumnus Award. He performed as a guitarist/ vocalist in many folk and rock bands in the '70s and '80s before dedicating himself to recording seventeen recordings. John has been a resident of Oregon since 1960.

#### Award-winning Storyteller

A free program by Award-winning Oregon Storyteller, Christopher Leebrick will be at the City Hall on August 2 at 2 pm as part of the Echo Library's Summer Reading Program which is partially funded by the State of Oregon's Ready to Read Grant Program. Leebrick's 2011 tour is titled Travelin' Tales:

Imagination is the cheapest way to travel! Climb aboard with award-winning storyteller, Christopher Leebrick, as he takes you to different lands, different cultures, and even different worlds. Chris also sets the mood for many of

his tales with instruments such as the harmonica and the eastern cedar flute.

So, bring the whole family, and travel on in for some great stories from near and far!





Library patrons n o w

have access to a 24/7 source for free downloads of eBooks, audio books and videos called Libraries2Go. The service is sponsored by the Library District and Libraries of Eastern Oregon. If you are interested in this service, check in with librarian Wendy Holben (541-376-8411 or email: <u>echolib@centurytel.net</u> and ask that your library card be placed in the Libraries 2Go system. Then visit the website at <u>http://</u> <u>library2go.lib.overdrive.com/1E4179A5-1D42</u> <u>-4F2E-819B-E6AAB4B2F146/10/397/en/</u> <u>Default.htm</u>. At the right click on the login button. A box with a radio button will appear, select Libraries of Eastern Oregon2. It will then ask for your library card number.

#### **New Souvenirs**

The city has a new line of souvenirs with photos of Echo from floral images to historic buildings to panoramas of town and the

valley. The cards are 10 bundle of 6-5.5 x 8" cards velopes to individual cards per card. The inside of the



are blank, so you can add your own message.

New post cards with similar

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will soon be available at \$.50 each.

#### **Food Pantry**

The Kiwanis Food Basket has been providing food for about 18 families (50 people) in the Echo area each month. As a result



foods supplies sometimes run short. If you have surplus items in your garden or in your pantry you would like to contribute you can drop them by city hall the week of the distribution. The food distribution is on the last Wednesday of the each month at the Masonic Lodge 20 S. Dupont at 4 pm.

### Website gets a Facelift

Echo's webpage has undergone a major transformation thanks to Dan

Springer at Dexign Creative Media of Hermiston. Check out the new look and the photo galleries at: <u>http://www.echooregon.com/index.html</u>. The website will now include upcoming events.

#### **Main Street Businesses**

Two new businesses have opened on Main Street in the old Mercantile Building: Amali Consulting & Gathered Over Time. A third Business, His Design Ministries Thrift & Gift Shop will be opening soon next to the post office. Amalie Consulting is an engineering Consulting business. Gathered Over Time will be open on weekends and is an Antiques & Vintage Sales business.





City

# **Tues. Aug. 2, 2011**

## Echo

## Park—7:00 pm

Join the City, Echo Volunteer Fire Department, Stanfield Police and over 10,000 people across the nation to support Law Enforcement and say no to crime by participating in National Night Out.

NNO is designed to: Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; Strengthen police-community partnerships; Send a message to criminals letting them know that communities and neighborhoods are organized and ready to fight back. \*Free hotdogs, chips, beverages, cookies \*Drawings

\*Door Prizes \*Games/prizes \*Bouncing Castle \* Petting Zoo

Winners of the 6th annual Beautification Contest



If you would like to help, with games, serving or donations, please call city hall, 376-8411.

2011 Donors: Amstad Farms, Anderson Perry Engi neering, Bi-Mart, Diane Berry, Echo Boosters, Echo Methodist Church, Echo Quarterback Club, E c h o Hills Golf Course, Janie Enright, Dale & Jerrie Fife Fort Henrietta Fnd, Jeanie & Gene Hampton. His Design Gift & Thrift Shop, Nancy & Tim Novak Sanitary Disposal Gift Certificates, Wildhorse Gam ing Resort, [One Fun Package], Pat & Judy Wood. 

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