

The Echo



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Red2Red MTB

The 4th annual Red2Red Cycle Race will be Saturday, March 3. Over 350 cyclists have already pre-registered. The races will start at 11 am.

Red 2 Red Activities:

Kiwanis Breakfast \$4.50.

Kiwanis Lunch: Baked Potato Bar \$5. Both meals are open to public as well as cyclists. Proceeds go for club projects and scholarships.

Koontz Building: 11 am to 10 pm. In the morning fresh fruit, coffee, bakery goods will be available. Starting at Noon until about 9:30 pm: Pulled Beef & Sausages; Prodigal

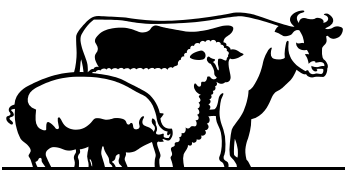


Son Beer; Sno Road Wines; Entertainers include Jamie Moreno-Narsario & Luke Basile 1:30 to 5:30 pm

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZxO7nrvo6_khe 6 to 9 pm Nicolas Miranda & Company nicolasmiranda.com. The award ceremony will be at the Koontz Building.

The Sno Road Winery will also be open 11 am to 8:30 pm.

Petting Zoo: Oregon Trail 4H Club has organized a petting zoo starting at noon and will also have water for sale. The petting zoo is free. The 4H club is doing a fund-raising breakfast Sunday morning following the



race. The petting zoo will be in the gravel between the Masonic Lodge and post office. Animals include: pigs, goats, chickens, turkeys at the least. Pet Rescue and the Pet Store may also bring over cats and dogs.

Masonic Lodge—The Masons will serve pulled pork sandwiches in front of hall

There will be limited parking in the downtown and you can expect road delays on Main & Dupont Streets from 10am till 3pm.

Information on the Race is on the Red2Red website at <http://echored2red.com/2012 Echo Red 2 Red XC MTB Race/Home.html>

Children's Activities

The City and Library will host a children's party with games and crafts in the City Park (or if weather is bad, the Masonic Lodge) Sat. from noon to 2:30 pm as part of the Red 2 Red. There will be a Bouncing Castle, games and crafts. Carnival prizes will be awarded for games and there will be prizes for craft projects using clay and/or drawings with a bicycle theme.



The Umatilla Co. Fair Ambassadors will help, but other volunteers are needed to help with games and crafts. Contact city hall and ask for Diane or Wendy if you are willing to help 541-376-8411.

Clean-up Week

Sanitary Disposal will host its annual Clean-up Week from April 1-7. Customers in good standing can take up to 2.5 cu. yds of ac-

ceptable solid waste to the land fill free. No Tires .

Dog Licenses

Dog License fees increase by \$10 per month to \$14 (spayed/neutered) and \$22 (unaltered) on March 1. Licenses not purchased by April 1 will rise another \$10 and will continue to rise \$10 per month thereafter. Citations will be issued for unlicensed dogs after March 15. The penalty doesn't apply to new dogs licensed within two weeks or puppies if they are licensed by 6 months of age.



Free Lunch Returns



The Echo Community Church resumed its Free Friday lunches on February 24. The food is served at 11:30 AM followed by crafts. The lunch and crafts are open to the public.

For more information or to volunteer to help, contact the church at 541-376-8108 or Jeanie Hampton.

DOWNTOWN PROJECT

The bids for the downtown project are set to close on April 26, but donations are still being accepted for the public art portion of the project. Do you have an idea for an art project: A statue of Joe Cunha or JH Koontz? A piece of mobile art that moves in the wind? Let us know your ideas. The Art can be functional and whimsical rather than commemorative such as the bench below or a piece of art that serves as playground equipment or part of a water feature. Donors will be recognized on a plaque.



Park Improvements

Donations are needed to help with the park improvement project. Grants are covering most of the cost of a new restroom, playground equipment and picnic shelter with a kitchen, but did not include playground mats. The rubberized mats would replace the pea gravel around the edge of the Skatepark and around the existing playground equipment. The pea gravel has become a hazard for children in the skatepark.

Donations can be sent to or dropped by city hall.

Library Donations

Patty Cisneros	1 Audio Book
Jerry & Leanne Gaunt	18 books
Aubree Lawrence	1 book
Joe & Mary Middleton	3 boxes books
Carol Packard	50 books
Missy White	3 books

Echo Benefit Fund

The next round of grant applications for the Echo Community Benefit Fund are due by April 1. Submit via email to: ccaplinger@co.umatilla.or.us or mail to PO box 68, Echo, OR 97826

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