

Downtown Project

Goodfellow Bros., Inc., General Contrac-



tor for the Echo Downtown Project will begin work on Monday July 9, They will start removing sidewalks on the south side of Main Street. All businesses will still be accessible while work is underway, but parking on Main Street

> may be limited. The contractor hopes to complete most of the work in September, except for street trees and installation of pavers around Planting them. conditions for the large 3" caliper survival trees and

Gathered Over Time & Echo Bike & Board Floral Displays

rates should be better in October.

Summer Reading

The annual Summer Reading Program's 2012 Theme is **Dream Big-Read** (Pre-school through 12 years) & **Own the Night** (teenagers). Registration started on Tuesday, June 5, but participants can sign up at any-



time. Story/Craft time is Fridays at 11 am. The Reading lists need to be turned in by July 19 and prizes will be presented at a closing party on July 23 following a free program by **Corbin Maxey: the Reptile man**. The program is at 2 pm at city hall and is open to everyone, even if they have not participated in the Summer Reading Program.

Pre-readers can participate by tracking the number of hours parents or older siblings read to the child. Older children can pick up



forms to list books they read. As an incentive for teenagers to participate this year, a Kindle will be awarded for the grand prize. The grand prize for younger chil-

dren is a Crayola digital camera or a Kid's video camera. All participants who turn in reading lists will receive a book at the minimum.

For the second year the Oregon College Savings Plan is helping sponsor the Summer Reading Programs through their *College Savings Sweepstakes*. They will award fifteen \$1,000 Oregon College Savings Plan accounts to summer reading participants all across Oregon and each of the winners" libraries also receives \$500. Applications are available at the library.

Public Art

Are you interested in public art for Echo? Do you have ideas about what types



of Art or what themes you would like to see developed? Do you want to contribute ideas or funding for such projects? We are working with Bill Flood Consulting to develop an Echo Art Plan. If you are interested in getting involved let us know.

New Park Restroom

The photo below shows a crew securing the new park restroom so the crane can swing it into place. The restroom is now open and is located at the south end of the skatepark along Bridge Street. Grants from the Echo Community Benefit Fund and the State Parks Department are funding this and other park improvements.



Donations

Thanks to all those who have made donations of funds or labor to make our community a better place: Sharon Lilly-weeding & deadheading roses in the park; Sue Kaysdeadheading flowers & watering pots; Bob Brown and Wendy Holben & family-working on the Echo Community Garden.



Other: Tracie Surber-donated Tree in memory of her mother Vina Wilson. Anonymous Donation \$10 for

Summer Reading Program. Bonnie Berry Summer Reading Program Prizes.

Library Donations

bell 56 children's books
13 books
toric photos & documents
periodicals
10 books
periodicals

Carol Neely Gloria Rodriguez Janice Schulz 6 books 48 Books 1 book



It is time to prepare for National Night Out again this year on Tuesday, August 7 at 7 pm at the Masonic Lodge and City Park. NNO depends on donations from

local businesses and individuals to cover the cost of the food, prizes and rental of the bouncing house. If you would like to donate to this community event you can mail a donation to PO Box 9 or drop it by city hall. Volunteers to help with games and serving are also needed. The preliminary schedule includes:

- Announcement of Beautification Contest Winners
- Free meal: hot dogs, chips, cookies, drinks.
- Door prizes.
- A Bouncing Castle & Kids games.

It's a great opportunity to enjoy the park and get to know your neighbors & enjoy an evening in the beautiful city park.

New Utility Rates effective with August Billing: \$29 Water base/\$45 Sewer

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Echo's Beautification Pro-

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

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- Gift Center

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