

Downtown Project

The Downtown Project is scheduled for completion, except for tree planting, at the end of this month. Pouring of sidewalks on the north side of Main started Monday. Pavers installation will begin in the next week. At the suggestions of Mayor Winter, a few Horsehead hitching posts will be added along Main Street.



OMSI Science Festival
Oct. 4—4 to 8 pm, Echo Masonic Lodge, 20 S. Dupont St.

All ages are invited to come and meet



the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) staff. Try your hand at science displays from the museum; Enjoy experiments designed to thrill children & perplex adults.

This free event is sponsored by OMSI, the Echo Library and Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO).

Oregon Days of Culture

October 1
through 8

Oregon will be celebrating the **Days of Culture.**

The Oregon Cultural Trust organizes the event which



Above: 8 circular planters destined for the curb extensions. These will be topped with pavers so they can serve as benches..

“celebrates the vibrancy of the arts, heritage, and humanities in Oregon. This year the eight-day festival will feature hundreds of events across the state; a digital field guide to Oregon culture highlighting must-do, destination activities; and the launch of a new video series that demonstrates the impact of work done by cultural nonprofits in Oregon. The eight-day week showcases everyday culture in every Oregon community. Whether it’s taking in a quilt display at the farmer’s market, reading the latest bestseller at the library, imagining pioneer life at a historic cemetery or listening to opera in a bar, the searchable, interactive website makes participating easy. Author readings, exhibitions, performances and screenings, knitting group meetings and fund-raising parties...Days of Culture includes free and



ticketed events, community gatherings, and volunteer opportunities, as well.”

The website with the listings, maps and direction to events is at <http://oregondaysofculture.org/>.

Echo has listed the **Echo Downtown Renovation** on the website: **Architecture of the Downtown October 4, 2012**. Renovation of Echo’s Historic Downtown will be nearing completion during Oregon’s Days of Culture. We invite the public to visit and see the wonderful improvements that enhance our historic downtown with its abundance of historic buildings and sites, museums, floral displays, winery, great dining, etc. The improvements include new street trees, curb extensions with large planters and vintage style street lights. The bike racks and benches are custom built for our community. While you won’t see the full impact of the new downtown until next spring when plants are blooming, you can still get a taste of our downtown.

11 am—Short Walking Tour-Meet at City Hall. Diane Berry will lead a short walking tour of the downtown and will discuss the history & architecture of the downtown. No one style is prevalent in Downtown Echo, buildings vary from rustic & plain False Front wooden buildings to Formal decorative styles like the Echo Museum which is a BeauxArts style. The historic buildings cover a time period from 1860 to 1920.



Halloween Party

The Annual City Halloween Party will be at city hall Oct. 31 from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. The party will include a costume contest, hot dogs, punch, children’s games & prizes. Volunteers

are needed to help with games & serving please contact city hall @ 541-376-8411 if you can help.

Post Office Addresses

The post office recently sent out a letter asking residents to update addresses to include PO Boxes and Street Addresses. The postal service is now contracting with UPS for some deliveries and the UPS packages usually only have street addresses. The post office needs to be able to cross reference this with your street address, so please make changes to insure property delivery.

Library

Story time—Friday 2 pm

Donations

Dale Fife—150 Year History of Umatilla Co.

Jeanne Daley 3 books

Toni McLachlan 10 books

Judy Webb 6 books

David Stubbs DVDs

Anonymous 34 books

Anonymous Library-Children \$10

New Librarian Laurie Nelsen starts this week. Laurie was school librarian at Stanfield Elementary & Arlington & is an Echo resident.

Kopacz Nursery & Florist



“Helping Make Echo More Beautiful”

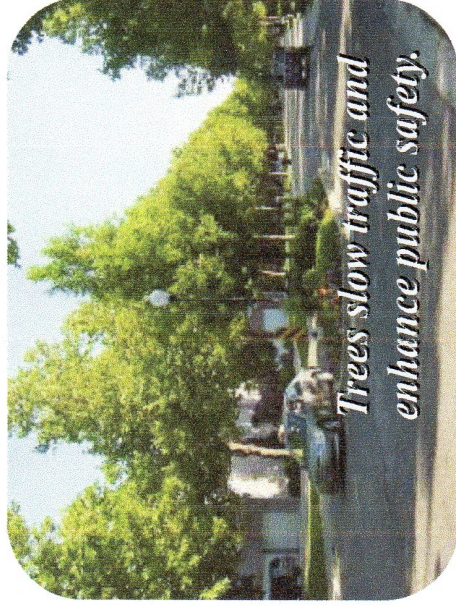
Kopacz Nursery sponsors Echo’s Beautification Program each year; Providing plants, labor & green house space for floral displays & donates annuals for public areas.

- Beautiful Bouquets
- Gift Center– Planters
- Blooming & Houseplants
- Annuals & Perennials
- Visit us on Facebook

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Why Trees?



Trees slow traffic and enhance public safety.



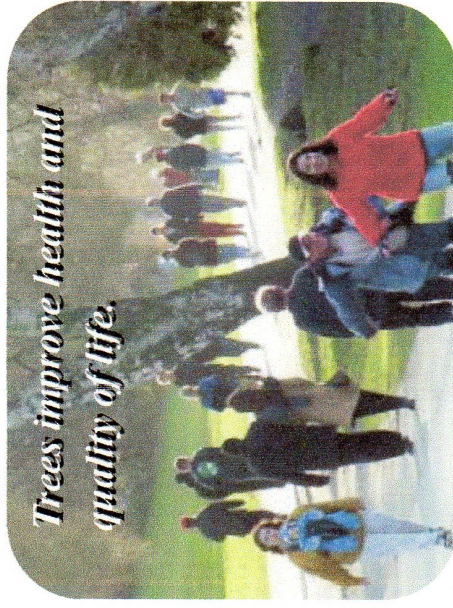
Trees increase property values, sales and tax bases.



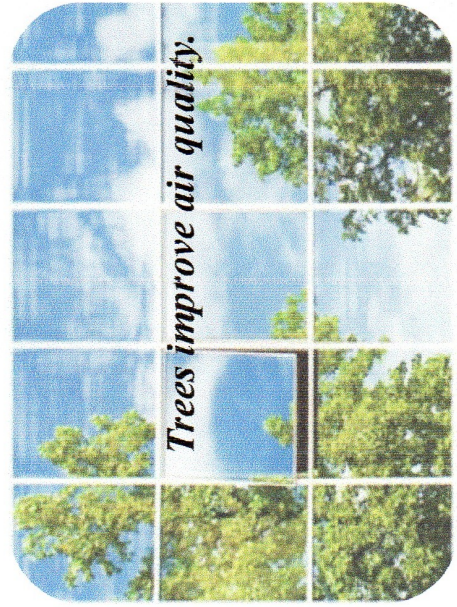
Trees improve drainage and reduce flooding.



Trees save on energy costs.

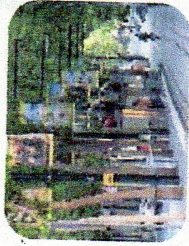


Trees improve health and quality of life.



Trees improve air quality.

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Smart Communities... TREES!



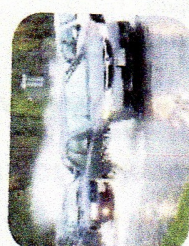
TRAFFIC CALMING AND PUBLIC SAFETY

- Plantings near streets cause drivers to reduce their speed, with fewer accidents.
- Neighborhoods appreciate enhanced pedestrian & cycling opportunities.
- Shade from trees helps extend the life and condition of asphalt street pavement.



PROPERTY VALUES, TAX BASES

- Trees and landscapes bring higher real estate prices, resulting in higher tax bases.
- Treed neighborhoods consistently rank higher with prospective buyers.
- Retail shoppers spend more dollars when shopping in treed & landscaped districts.



DRAINAGE & FLOODING

- Trees & green space absorb stormwater, resulting in fewer/smaller floods.
- Cost of green space management is much less than "hard" infrastructure and provides water quality benefits as well.



AIR QUALITY

- Trees & green space absorb pollutants and store carbon, reducing the amount of CO₂ in the atmosphere and cost far less than other solutions.
- Tree shade can reduce ozone production and the generation of CO₂ through energy conservation.



HEALTH & QUALITY OF LIFE

- Hospital patients with views of trees & green space recover faster (saving big \$).
- Trees & green space foster more active lifestyles and better overall health.
- Trees are shown to have potential to reduce child abuse and physical violence in families and crime in neighborhoods.



ENERGY SAVINGS

- Shade from trees reduces cooling costs significantly, saving \$\$.
- Trees protect from winter winds and reduce heating costs.
- Trees protect against the Urban Heat Island Effect by cooling cities.

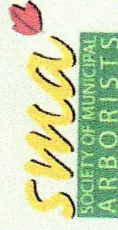
Green Communities = Smart Communities

Sustainable development is that which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

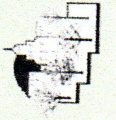
Communities that strive for sustainability recognize the importance of trees and green space to that equation. As a renewable natural resource, trees are a vital component of creating communities that achieve their maximum potential in Economic, Social, and Environmental development.

To learn more about how your community can take advantage of trees as an improvement tool, contact the Society of Municipal Arborists at the website below for more details and for links to the source information supporting this publication.

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Trees: *The only infrastructure that increases in value over its lifetime!*



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