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Chinook Cycle Race

Sun. Nov.11 1 pm Echo

Contact Echo Bike & Board

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Downtown Project

What a difference a month makes...Now the street lights are on & planters, bike racks & garbage cans are set. The trees, hitching posts & benches should arrive any day. Final pavers and sidewalk sections will soon be completed. However the full impact of our beautiful new downtown won't be until next spring when the planters are filled

with plants and the hanging baskets are overflowing with petunias.

Now we move forward with Phase II, public art. We are now seeking donations and grants to add public art to the downtown core. Donations are welcome.

Thanks to Chris Huffman for donating one of the Echo Bike Racks for the city hall.

Thanksgiving Dinner

The Echo Community Church invites the community to their annual Free Thanksgiving Dinner at the church on Bonanza Street, Saturday, November 17, from noon to 2 pm.

For more information contact Donna Jantzen, 541-376-8108



Desert Arts Cabaret

The Desert Arts Council is bringing "Cabaret, Cabernet & Chocolate" to Echo on November 17 at the Echo Ball Room/City Hall at 6:45 pm. A Cabaret is a form of entertainment featuring music, comedy, song, dance, and maybe a littledrama, "Cabaret is currently experiencing a renaissance in the United States, and is particularly popular in

the west coast cities of Seattle, and Portland as new generations of performers reinterpret the old forms in both music and theatre," says, Karen Bounds, Chair of the Desert Arts. "We are excited to showcase

Kymberli Colbourne, a warm, funny and sexy performer from the Ashland Cabaret Theatre, who will debut her new original cabaret show. It will be a night to remember."

"Cabaret, Cabernet, & Chocolate" begins with a tasting of red wines paired with chocolate delicacies. The wines are produced from grapes grown in the local area with samplings from Echo Ridge Cellars, Jacob William, Maryhill & Sno Road Wineries. The decadent chocolate delights are the creations of Chef Challis Buck of H&P Café. Chef Buck, with a culinary degree from the Art Institute of New York, is full of surprises & creativity – so prepare your palates for a treat. For the less adventuresome individuals, other refreshments will be available as well.

Doors open at 6:45 pm in the evening, the tasting starts at 7 and the show begins at

7:30. Tickets are \$50 & are available online at www.desertartscouncil.com or at the Hermiston Chamber office.

More art activities are on tap this DAC season including "Art in Action," with free demonstrations and arts-related activities scheduled for December 1st & February 2nd at the Eastern Oregon Higher Education Center in Hermiston. January 12th will bring Dancing with Your Stars (Tickets \$30 adult, \$20 child). March 2nd will showcase local students in the Missoula Children's Theatre production of Jack & The Beanstalk, Hermiston High School Auditorium (Tickets \$20 adult, \$10 child). The final event of the season is the 9th Annual Hermiston ArtWalk, the first weekend in May, Main Street, Hermiston. Check us out on Facebook for updates and more details for the 2012-2013 season. Tickets can be purchased online at www.desertartscouncil.com or at the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce office. For more information call 541-567-1800.

QBack Club Fish Feed

The annual Echo Quarterback Club Stag Fish Feed will be Friday Dec. 7 at 6 pm at the Fire Hall. Tickets remain \$35 ea. Contact Weeb Williams 376-8428 for information or tickets

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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465 W. Theater Ln. Hermiston



Memorials

October was a sad month for the city with the loss of City Employee and life-long resident Monte Naugher and Pasquale Anolfo who was appointed to the city council in February 2003.

Naugher: Donations totaling \$400 have been received in memory of Monte Naugher and



will be used for plaques for the yellow Fire Hydrant on Main and Dupont and for a metal bench donated to the city by Monte's family. Monte was known for his



love of painting things around town yellow, so when the contractor ordered a new yellow hydrant, the city decided to keep the hydrant yellow to memorialize it for Monte.

Anolfo: Councilman Pasquale Anolfo also passed away in October. Donations are being donated in his memory and will be used toward a vintage-style drinking fountain & plaque that will be placed on Bonanza Street in the roadside garden area. A \$50 donation toward this project has been received to date.

Meters

The last water meter reading for this season has been completed. Residents can now cover their water meters. Please remember to only use one small bag of papers or insulation in the meter box.

Your billing for December, January, February and March will be for the minimum charge and in April any usage above the 3000 gallons per month base rate (15,000 gallons total) will be on the April Bill.



Garbage Rates

Effective with January billing garbage rates will increase for the first time since May 2008 due to increasing fuel costs and declining cardboard revenues.



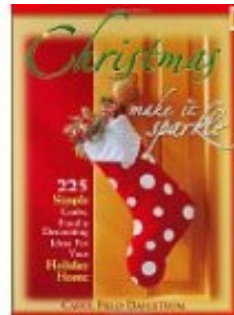
The cost of a 35 gallon cart will increase for residential customers from \$8.65 to \$9.60 and for 90 gallon carts from \$14.50 to \$16.20 per month

Library

Story time/Craft time— Fridays @ 2 pm

Getting Ready for Christmas

The library has nearly 100 books, videos and cds with holiday themes. We have pulled the holiday books and many of the books with ideas for crafts and gifts and have them displayed in the check out area. Be sure and stock up to start planning for the holidays early.



We also have Thanksgiving and Fall books.

Library Services:

The library offers a number of services for patrons besides library books. Ask the librarians about:

- ♦ Libraries 2Go-free downloads of audio books & electronic books for Kindle or Nook.
- ♦ Gale Periodicals
- ♦ Learning Express
- ♦ Ancestry.com Free Access/genealogy help
- ♦ DVDS, Audio Books, Music CDs.
- ♦ Public access computers
- ♦ Free Wi-Fi Access
- ♦ Programs such as Summer Reading, OMSI Science Fair & Other free programs for adults and children.



Library Donations

Anonymous

Library-Children \$10



OMSI Science Fair in Oct.

Library Donations (cont.)

Barbara An-

draws	27 books
Charlotte Berry	105 books
Jeanne Daly	5 books
Connie Fisher	4 books
Tammy Henderson	4 books
Lou Nakapalau	1 book
Frank Nelsen	20 DVDs
Gina Sather	4 books
Janice Schulze	Periodicals
David Stubbs	4 DVDs
Missy White	6 movies
Colleen Williams	17 books



Halloween Party

Over 75 children and parents attended the annual Halloween Party Oct. 31. Thanks to Jeanie Hampton and the Key Club members youth were

able to play 7 Win in a Minute Games. Prizes were awarded for best costumes and a cookie decorating station was popular. Hot dogs, cider, cookies, chips rapidly disappeared. Thanks to Frank & Laurie Nelsen, Lou Nakapalau and Trevor Pyke Family for their help and Missy White for providing cookies.

Donations helped cover the cost of food and prizes. Donors: Diane Berry \$50, Anonymous \$10;



Downtown Trees

The Columnar Hornbeam, *Carpinus Betulas Fastiagata*, was selected for Main Street. It is a columnar tree reaching 30-40 ft tall & about 15 ft wide. According to the Monrovia Nursery Site: It is "an attractive, columnar tree with dense branches when young, spreading into a broad cone shape with age. Clean looking dark green foliage turns yellow-orange in fall. Great for screens and street trees" Chalet Nursery's: "This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and should not require much pruning,.. such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics." Historically the wood was used by the Roman's to make chariots and pioneers for oxen yokes.

Pictured above is the Hornbeam ® in the arboretum located behind the baseball field. This photo is several years old so both the Hornbeam and the Bow Hall Maple are larger now.



Paving

A & B Asphalt will be paving along South Dupont, Dale Street, Sprague and several other locations around town thanks to a Small City Allotment Grant from ODOT. The paving crew is scheduling work around the rain, so a definitive date is not available. Residents who would like to contract privately with A & B while they are here can call (541) 938-5205.

Park

Cleary Building will begin construction of the new park picnic shelter this month funded by Echo Benefit Fund & State parks grants.

