

The Echo

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Christmas Light Contest

Winners of the
Christmas
lighting contest can
pickup their
prizes at city
hall. The



awards were based on ballots turned in at city hall.

Top 10

- 1. Dan & Pauline Sherbahn, 550 S. Thielsen
- 2. Heather Thorne/Len White, 120 N. Dupont
- 3. Marie & Robert Rose, 310 S. Bonanza
- 4. Chad & Kristi Ray, 11 Smith Dr.
- 5. Marvin & Sandy Storz, 101 W. Bridge; .
- 6. Melissa McPherson/Stacey Cearns, 411 Halstead
- 7. Melvin Crist, 131 S. Prescott
- 8. Gene & Jeanie Hampton, 811 E. Jane St.
- 9. Weeb & Colleen Williams, 1 Smith Dr.
- 10. Kandy/AJ Wortman, 130 S. Prescott

Dog Licenses

The 2013 dog licenses expired on Dec. 31 and **2014 licenses** need to be purchased. Licenses not renewed by Feb. 28, 2014 will be subject to a penalty of \$10 per month for each

month the licensing is delayed. Current license fees are \$4.00 per year for a spayed or neutered animal and \$12 per year for an unaltered animal. Proof of a current rabies



shot is required. A copy of the License Form which you can fill out and bring to city hall is attached.

Christmas for Needy

All involved in collecting and distributing the annual Christmas Food and Toys for needy families in Echo would like to thank the community for their generosity again this year. The City, Kiwanis, School District and Echo Community Church joined forces to put together 36 food baskets filled with canned & boxed goods, fresh produce, a turkey and where there were children in the household gifts.

Echo students gathered food and toys



and Echo Teachers donated toys gathered at their annual Christmas party. Echo Area Residents also contributed toys, food and cash to help purchase turkeys and other perishables.

All who helped with

the program felt very blessed by the generosity of our community members. Thanks to our many volunteers who help put together the baskets, wrap presents and help with deliveries: Gene & Jeanie Hampton, Missy White, Janie Enright, Bryan Zumwalt, Jeremy Morris, Jerry Gaunt, Erv Williams, City Staff, Chet Prior, Carol Reese, Jake Broyles, Buster (aka Santa), Lou Nakapalau, Lloyd Ferge, Bill Caplinger and the other Echo Kiwanis Club Volunteers.

Cash Donations:

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Bonnie Berry	\$25
Charlotte Berry	\$55
Diane Berry	\$50
Central Machinery	Toys
Tieler Cooper	giving tree
Echo Community Church	\$175

Echo Schools: toys, food, trees
Janie Enright toys, \$25
Suzie Davie toys
Dale & Jerrie Fife \$100, toys, bike
Gene & Jeanie Hampton
\$65 & turkey
Sharon Lilly giving tree

Sharon Lilly giving tree | Ed & Tara Longhorn

giving tree

Linda Manson

game, clothing Melissa McPherson giving tree Mary & Joe Middleton clothing Laurie & Frank Nelsen giving tree **PacifiCorp** \$500 bags of toys Pine City Study Club John & Elaine Ramos \$50 Dina Ranger giving tree Jenny Thomas giving tree RDO toys SS Equipment tovs Janice Schulze quilt, giving tree Alfred & Janice Scott giving tree Bill & Judy Webb giving tree Erv Williams celery, butter, milk for 32 baskets & \$100 Mr & Mrs. Gene Winnett Food Richard & Sue Winter \$40 & giving tree Todd & Robin Winters giving tree Pat & Judy Wood \$50 Larry & Bethany Woodall Pickup load of toys & clothing

Name That Tree

Library News

Person submitting selected name will win a prize.

If you have text books from recently completed college courses you would like to get rid of, please consider donating to the library. Many current text books can be listed on our Ama-



zon store and their sale helps fund the library. The Library continues to add new materials, come and check out the new book and new movie displays. A clip board on the check out counter has a sheet where you can write down items you

would like to see in the library

Summer Reading 2014

The theme for this year's summer reading program will be Fizz, Boom, Read. The library has received a \$1000 Ready to Read Grant from the state of Oregon which will be used for summer reading programming and new library materials that fit the theme. The new materials will be arriving soon. Have suggestions? Let us know.

Library Donations

Bonnie Berry 1 book Susan Daly 38 books Yvonne Daly 1 book Peggy Haines 1 book Lou Nakapalau 8 books

Gloria Rodriguez 2 boxes of books

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
- Christmas Gifts,

Arrangements & more

- Gift Center
- Blooming & Houseplants
- Visit us on Facebook 541-567-3278

465 W. Theater Ln. Hermiston



Red to Red 2014

Planning is underway for the 2014 Red to Red MTB Cycle Race on March 1, 2 & 3. Crafts & vendor spaces are available this year. Contact Stephanie or Shayne Myers at Echo Bike & Board for further information. Echo Bike & Board also has a Facebook page. & the Red 2 Red website is http://www.echored2red.com/2014 Echo Red 2 Red XC MTB Race/Home.html

AIB Judges Sheet

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Part 4 Floral Displays:	maximum	actual
Municipal	75	60
Business	30	22
Residential	30	22
Community Involvement	40	32

Judges Comments: Flowers play a very important role in the lifestyle of Echo..., Flowers in the decorated cemetery vault planters along Thielsen Street attract your attention away from the railroad tracks which run parallel to the road and the clustered housing on the other side of the street.

Colleen Williams and Tammy Davis have done a stupendous job of building and maintaining the numerous flower beds on the golf course. Poppies, primroses, lilies, red hot pokers are a few of the many annuals and perennials which over time have been allowed to go to seed and fill every space so no weeds have been able to invade. Their [Colleen's] instinct for color, size, proportion, bloom succession, and bed placement is fantastic. The many golfers that use the course on a daily basis appreciate and support their efforts.

Homeowners along DuPont Street, Smith Drive and the area east of Town Hall have made strong efforts to have beautiful gardens Suggestions:Introduce drought tolerant herbaceous plants and hardy succulents. Sedum, Sempervirens, Echeveria, Hawarthia, Jovivarba and Yucca are just a few of the types of plants that could be introduced at such locations as the new town entrance signs, downtown business district, or golf course. Check the Hermiston town sign as an exam-

ple.

With
the region
only receiving eight
inches of rain
a year and
relying on
wells for water, xeriscaping might be

a concept that may be well received by the community. A xeriscaping trial display garden can encourage residents to use this gardening technique while reducing water consumption. Oregon State University extension has information about xeriscaping in the high desert(www.extension.oregon state.edu/deschutes/sites/default/files/xeri-all 1.pdf). Perhaps a trial garden could be planted at the golf course.

Weeding and deadheading in the flower areas can be a "DONE IN A DAY" project.

"Done in a day" projects are those where volunteers, equipment and schedule are laid out before hand and finished in a day.

New Public Art

Chris Huffman of Sundown Metal Art recently completed installation of the new public art at the Arboretum. The three metal trees are functional as well as art, and provide support

for the gazebo walls. Also installed were the horseheads for the Main Street planters.



City of Echo Dog License Application/License

It is time to renew your dog's license for the upcoming year. The City of Echo requires that all dogs kept in the City, and over the age of six months, be licensed. For your convenience the application form is provided below, or come in and apply in person at City Hall weekdays between 9 am and 4:30 pm. If you have questions, call city hall @ 541-376-8411.



Proof of current rabies vaccinations for your dogs must be provided or be on file before a license can be issued. For each month after February 28 you delay obtaining a license the fee increases \$10. New residents or those with new dogs will pay a pro-rated fee, if the dog is licensed within two weeks of reaching 6 months of age or your moving to town.

Instructions: For each dog, mail or bring in the Rabies Certificate, the completed application form and the total due to the City of Echo, PO Box 9, 20 S. Bonanza, Echo, OR 97826. Proof of spaying or neutering must be on file to receive the discount.

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