



The Echo

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CHRISTMAS IN ECHO

**December 12, 2015: Santa, Symphony @ 4 pm,
Bazaars, Businesses Open, Refreshments.
Receptions following concerts @ Sno Road Winery
Come & enjoy the Christmas Spirit in Echo**



***PTA Christmas Bazaar
Dec. 12, Echo Gym
10 AM to 3 PM
LUNCH \$5: PIZZA,
COOKIE & BEVERAGE**

**50/50 RAFFLE & RAFFLE
PRIZES**

**PICTURES W/SANTA
BAZAAR HOP:
ROTATIONAL
RAFFLE TICKET:**

Get a ticket
punched at bazaars & busi-
nesses & leave ticket at
one.

For more info call:

Echo Church Bazaar

20 N. BONANZA STREET
DECEMBER 12, 2015
9 AM TO 3 PM

VENDORS, BOOK SALE
\$5 LUNCH: CHILI w/ COOKIE,
FRY BREAD AND BEVERAGE
ROTATIONAL RAFFLE TICKET
SALE FROM ECHO SCHOOL

Come and do some shopping while
waiting for the Inland Northwest
concert at city hall.

Proceeds benefit VFW scholar-
ship fund and Echo Community
Church Free Friday Lunch Pro-
gram. For more information con-
tact Jeanie Hampton 541-376-8603
or Mary Hensal 541-449-1352.

Lighting up the Town

Its time once again for the annual
Echo Boosters Christmas Lighting Contest.
This year to promote more competition and

to turn Echo in-
to the areas
Christmas des-
tination, There
will be a **\$50.00**
grand prize. Ad-
ditionally \$15
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Inland Northwest

"Christmas in Echo" is a joint venture of
Inland Northwest Musicians (INWM) and
Echo Businesses. INWM's chorale and orches-
tra will perform on **Friday, Dec. 11 at 7 pm**
& **Sat., Dec. 12 at 4 pm** in the City Hall Ball-
room. More details are on the flyer on page 4
The concert is free, but donations are welcome
and you can purchase season sustaining mem-
berships for \$50. The Echo concerts are very
popular so a reservation is needed. Call 541-
289-4696 or email (cont. pg 2)

(Cont. from pg. 1) **Lights.**

will be credited to the utility bill for the top ten displays. Help keep this Echo Tradition Alive! Decorate

! Need inspiration? Check at the library. There are books on lighting display and Christmas decorating.

Echo Businesses and Inland Northwest Musicians are working together to create "Christmas in Echo" on Sat. Dec. 12, so they are hoping residents will have their decorations up before that Saturday.



Christmas Lights

Echo Boosters are continuing another Echo Tradition—for over two decades the boosters have provided a free strand of Christmas lights to any new homeowners or business owners in Echo to encourage them to join our annual tradition of lighting up the town with Christmas lights and displays. In addition



the first 10 households who come to city hall and ask for a strand of lights will be presented a free light strand to help light up Echo.

Homeowners who can pickup a strand of lights include:

Toni Carter	Andrew Kilgore
Ross Risley	Michael Murphy
Jay Wyse	Trevor Morris
H & P Café (Barzee)	

Blockhouse

The Fort Henrietta Park Block House is now 30 years old and unfortunately many of the logs, but especially the ones on the south side are rotting and collapsing under the weight of the 2nd floor. The blockhouse has always had a lean, but in the last 2 years it has become a leaning tower. We are trying to raise funds to preserve the structure. Donations toward the restoration can be sent to City Hall.



(Cont. from pg. 1) **Concerts.** inwm@machmedia.net. Please leave your name and the number of seats you need. Those without reservations will be seated as seats are available after all reserved seats

have been allocated.

The Sno Road Winery and Echo Boosters will host a reception for concert goers and musicians in the ballroom at Sno Road Winery 210 W. Main on Friday & Saturday after the concerts. There will be door prizes at the concert. Come and browse around town and enjoy the Christmas atmosphere.

Library News

Reception: Friday, Dec. 11, 4-5 pm before the Inland Northwest Concert. Refreshments. Door Prizes.

Come in and get a library card check out the beautiful Christmas decorations & selection of Christmas books.

Story/Craft Time: Weekly Story and Craft time at the library will continue this month. Children will make craft Christmas Gifts for residents of Regence Care Facility and will decorate the library Christmas Tree.



Library Donations

Bonnie Berry	3 books
Cathy Cram	5 DVDs
Swayne Evans	40 DVDs
Dale Fife	p eriodicals
Robert Harris	Vintage Loveseat
Lou Nakapalau	2 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.

Kopacz: Where Flowers Are Our Business.

Check out our web page. <http://kopacznurseryflorist.com/>

- Beautiful Bouquets
- Arrangements & more
- Gift Center
- Blooming & House plants



Giving Tree

Names are being added to the Giving Tree in the City Hall Entry this week. If you would like to help brighten Christmas for a needy child in the community, you can pick out a tag and purchase a gift for a child and return the unwrapped gift to city hall by **December 18 at 10 am**. The tags have the sex and age of the child, and sometimes sizes.



Choose your tag and then show the city clerk so she can note that it was selected and by whom.

Christmas for Needy

The Kiwanis' Chester's Food Pantry/The City of Echo, Echo Boosters, Echo School, and Echo Church are coordinating the annual Christmas Food Drive for needy families again this year. **Delivery** for those who sign up for home delivery will be the morning of **Tuesday, December 22**. Gifts from the Giving Tree for children will be delivered at the same time. Those who have not had their baskets delivered, can pick them up at the Echo Masonic Lodge between **4 and 5:45 pm on Tuesday Dec. 22**.

The collection point for donations of food, toys (new or like new only please) and cash is city hall. We have been coordinating this program for over 30 years. As well as dropping items at city hall, you can also mail donations to PO Box 9, Echo, OR 97826.

Foods can include canned and packaged foods. Please no home canned or perishables. Potatoes, onions and carrots can be accepted. Please provide **donations by Monday, Dec. 21 at 10 am**.

Deliveries/Pickup: If you need a food basket or children's gifts from the giving tree, you need to sign



up at city hall **by December 18 at 3 p.m.** Even if you normally pickup food at the **Kiwanis' Chester's Food Pantry** each month you need to fill out the application at city hall. If you know a family in town who you feel needs the food basket or gifts, please contact city hall on their behalf. This will replace the regular Kiwanis Food Basket Program. Those who cannot pickup their basket, please let the city clerk know when you sign up and those baskets will be delivered the morning of Dec. 22. **Only one basket per family.**

Chester's Food Pantry honors the late Chester Prior who worked diligently to get the program started through the Echo Kiwanis. Funds from the Bob Hale Memorial Fund within the Echo Boosters also provides funds for needy families at Christmas. Echo School children donate food items that become the staple for the Christmas Food Baskets. Teachers and staff each donate a toy which provides the bulk of the gifts. Classes decorate miniature Christmas trees that are given to families without trees. Let us know if you need a tree.

Donations to Date

Donations to the Christmas Program so far include:

Diane Berry	\$ 200
Anonymous	\$ 20
Pacific Power & Light	\$500
Bob Hale Memorial Funds	

Letters to Santa

The North Pole has arranged for the Library to have drop boxes for letters to Santa. Santa and his helpers will make sure any letter dropped off here will be answered if received by **December 18** and if the mailing address and full name of the child is provided.

If you cannot get to city hall during business hours, letters can be placed in the library drop box.



December Calendar

Dec. 10	School Christmas Concert, 6 pm
Dec. 11	Library Open House 4 to 5 pm Christmas in Echo Concert 1 7 pm. see at right
Dec. 12	Library Storytime Christmas in Echo 9 am Echo Community Church Bazaar/lunch 10 am PTA Bazaar/lunch, School
Dec. 17	Last day of school 2015
Dec. 18	Deadline for Giving Tree gift re- turns & Christmas Basket Sign up Santa Letters Due
Dec. 21	Last day to turn in food
Dec. 22 D	elivery of Food Baskets, toys, am PU baskets Masonic Lodge 4-5 pm
Dec. 24	City Hall Closes at noon
Dec. 25	City Hall/Library Closed



Cemetery Flags

The Echo Cemetery is in need of 12 new 3 x 5 American flags. Anyone interested in donating money to cover the cost of the new flags can mail a check to Echo Cemetery, PO Box 333, Echo, OR 97826. Call Dave @ 541.571.2426. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Echo Museum

Its time again to renew Echo Historical Museum memberships or to sign up for the first time. The museum relies on your memberships and donations to cover operational costs. The museum board continues to make improvements and to plan for future ones. We are trying to secure funds for repairing and caulking windows, painting and a heating/cooling system.

If you would like to join or make a donation, you can clip the form below and return it to Echo Historical Museum, PO Box 205, Echo, OR 97826. Membership provides free access to the museum throughout the year.

Individual \$10 per person \$ _____
Household \$25 per household \$ _____
Patron \$50 \$ _____ Sustaining \$100 \$ _____
Donation For General Purposes \$ _____
Building Improvements \$ _____
Other: _____ \$ _____

Inland Northwest Musicians Orchestra & Chorus

Music Director & Conductor- R. Lee Friese

Presents:

The Sounds of the Season

Friday, December 11, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 12, 2015 - 4:00 p.m.

Echo Community Center, Echo OR

Call 541-289-4696 for seat reservations.

Visit the Downtown Echo Merchants before and after Saturday's Concert. A Bazaar "Hop" by Echo Community Church and Echo School's PTA will also be going.

Reception provided by Sno Road Winery at the winery.



City Souvenirs/Golf Gifts

Looking for gift ideas? The city has several Echo Souvenirs and books for sale this season and is offering a 10% discount through Dec. 24. The price below is before the discount.

Echo Mugs \$8.00 Echo bags \$15

Echo Pictorial Cards \$2.00 ea. or 6/\$10

Aprons \$16 Echo Story Vol. 1 & 2 \$15 ea.

We also have photocopies of Bennie Tolar's Echo's from the Past, The Fort Henrietta Days Cookbook & Echo Cultural Inventory.

Don't forget the **golf course**. You can purchase gift certificates for green fees, the pro shop or buy a membership early. New members get Jan. & Feb. free if they join before Jan. 1. We also offer winter green fee rates at a super discount.

Due to fluctuations in winter weather, the club house vary. Call 541-376-8244 to see if we are open.