

The Echo

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The first Echo Open Air Market on June 18 went fabulously well despite the rainy, windy weather earlier in the day. There were 11 vendors with onions and

herbs, homemade goats milk soap and Scentisies, jewelry, knit goods, signs, perennial plants, woodwork, jellies, jams and other canned goods to name a few of the items for sale.

The July event will be **July 16** from 4 to 7 on Dupont Street between the park and post office (August Market is the 20th).

Ashley Harwood, market manager, says "We are actively searching for growers and producers of produce, herbs, eggs, flowers (cut or plants), fruits, trees, honey. You grow it, We Want It!"

Just wanting to have something fun to do and make a little money? Then give it a shot at the Echo Open Air Market. We are actively seeking craft vendors of all spectrums. Spaces are \$12.00 per market.

If a state license or permit is required for items you want to sell, you are responsible for securing any required permits. Email Ashley for further information at echoopenairmarket@gmail.com and she will send out information and an application! There is also a Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/echoopenairmarket/?fref=ts>



Centennial/AIB Reception

On July 7 & 8 the America in Bloom (AIB) Judges will be here. Everyone is invited to meet and greet them at a reception on July 7 at 2 pm. The reception will also commemorate the 100th anniversary of City Hall and the Tree Art on Main Street will be dedicated. The event will start on Main Street at the planter. The names of those who made donations toward the project before June 15 are on the sign that will be mounted near the art. Names of donors received after June 15 will be recognized on a sign at the new Farm Art in front of the old Tavern.

The reception will then move into city hall for a brief ceremony and refreshments. Please feel free to come and introduce yourself to the judges and share your perspective on our community.

This is Echo's 9th year of participating in America in Bloom.



Dream, Sparkle, Shine!

July 8 at 2 pm, Echo City Hall Auditorium. Free—Summer Reading—everyone invited. This program is sponsored by the Oregon College Savings Bond Program and the Echo Public Library.

"Faye the Fairy has a dream to earn her wings at the Wonderful Festival with all the "perfect" Fairies, but she is having a hard time getting her



spells to work out right. Join her as she makes new friends in the enchanted forest who help her learn about herself and the importance of being just who you are! Meet an array of fun characters like Little Bigfoot, Puss in Boots, Baby Dinosaur and many more. Enjoy this original Mini-musical by Penny's Puppet Productions. Dream Big, Sparkle More and Shine Bright!

Summer Reading

The annual Library Summer Reading Program is well underway with 32 children participating. This year's Summer Reading Theme is “**On Your Mark, Get Set, Read,**” which will focus on Olympics, sports and fitness as



well as the importance of reading and learning. The program included an opening ceremony where children carried the “Olympic Torch” through the downtown. (see above). Frank Nelsen

was kind enough to build an Olympic platform, so children can go through an awards ceremony for winning competitions during story time. (Fridays at 2 pm, Old VFW).

Children can still sign up and receive a free book.

At the end of the program, children who turn in their reading lists will be eligible for prizes

Calendar

- 7-8 2 pm Dream, Sparkle, Shine!, Penny's Puppets, upstairs city hall.
- 7-15 2 pm, Three Magic balls, Tic Tac Toe Olympics, city park
- 7-22 Tee Off? Putt Putt Golf Olympics, Bottle Knecck Down Olympics
- 7-29 2 pm Jumping blind fold, jump rope Olympics
- Aug. Closing ceremonies, Awards and party.



Bible School

Echo Community Church, 20 N. Bonanza, will hold its Vacation Bible School, Themed: “Joy with Jesus” on July 25 -29 at the church basement from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. The program is for children 3 to 12 years of age.

Library Donations

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| Bonnie Baggerly | 7 books |
| Bonnie Berry | 1 books |
| Karlie Cook | 11 books |
| Lou Nakapalau | 3 books |
| Diane Wilson | 2 boxes books |

AIB Donations

Donations toward the America in Bloom Program so far this year total \$3,670 in cash plus over \$1,000 from Kopacz Nursery & Florist in planting material, greenhouse space, soil and labor. We have also received about 100 day lilies from the Columbia River Daylily Club.



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 new web page. <http://kopacznurseryflorist.com/>

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



If you would like to make a donation toward AIB to help with plants and other improvements, you can drop it by city hall or mail to PO Box 9, Echo, OR 97826.

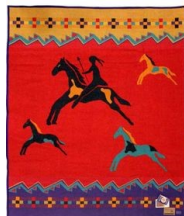
June Donations

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| Desert Springs Water | \$100 |
| Echo Community Church | \$50 |
| Merle & Pat Gehrke | \$100 |
| Kaye McAtee | \$ 50 |
| Oregon Trail Honey Farms | \$100 |
| Penny & Ray Shepherd | \$100 |

City Hall Centennial

Donations were made toward the City Hall Centennial Reception & to purchase a Pendleton Blanket engraved with the date and event. This will hang in city hall with a sign listing the donors.

Donations can still be made and will go toward City Hall improvements that will be recognized with a sign.



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| Charlotte Berry | \$50 |
| Diane Berry | \$100 |
| Bud & Dorothy Graham | \$50 |
| Kent & Laura Madison | \$100 |
| Kaye McAtee | \$50 |

Echo Public Art

Kent & Laura Madison pledged \$3000 toward Echo's Public Art Project, specifically toward providing an art treatment to the Main Street Circular Planters façade. They invite others to donate toward this or other aspects of the Echo Public Art Project. We received the first acceptance of their challenge this week. The Echo Quarterback Club let us know that they are donating \$500. If you are interested in contributing to the project or sponsoring one of the pieces of art, please contact Diane Berry at city hall 541-376-8411 or email ecpl@centurytel.net.

The second piece of art by Douglas Gisi was installed on June 16. The Gisi family poses with the sculpture in the photo at the



top of this column. The sculpture is in front of the Echo Hotel/Tavern and is a tribute to farming.

Other June Art Donations include:

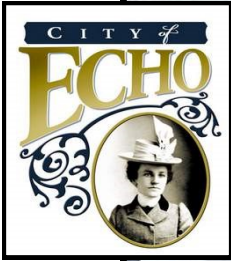
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| Doris Pitzer | \$50 |
| Kaye McAtee | \$50 |

Walking/Hiking

Support for the proposed walking trail has been growing. Commitments for benches and other improvements have continued to come in. To date they include Desert Spring Water, the Berry Family, The Echo Employees (Darin Tuil, Trevor Morris, Peggy Haines & Diane Berry) and Justin Morris for benches. General Donations: Kaye McAtee \$50; The McCallum Family \$50, Janie Enright \$200.

Three names have been submitted for the trail. We would like to have all suggestions by the end of August. Put your thinking cap on and make a suggestion: to ecpl@centurytel.net or drop by city hall.





**Echo City Hall Centennial (1916-2016)
American in Bloom Judges Reception &
Public Art Dedication**

The City of Echo invites you to a celebration honoring the 100th anniversary of City Hall. The event will also include a welcoming ceremony for the America in Bloom Judges and dedication of the "Tree" Public Art on Main Street.

When: Thursday, July 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Where: Assemble at the corner of Main & Dupont at the Tree Art planter and then move to city hall.

Refreshments will be served.

Donations to the Centennial to date are from: Carol Rae Meechan, Mick & Susan Tolar, Diane Berry, Charlotte Berry, Kaye McAtee, Bud & Dorothy

Graham.

