

# **Free Friday Lunch**

The Echo Community Church is still hosting their free lunches every Friday in the church basement from 11;30 to noon. All are welcome.



The Echo Kiwanis will their host 3nd annual Octoberfest Saturon Octoday, ber 20th.

This year the event will be located on Bonanza Street between the H & P Café and Echo Community Church and the Fire Hall. The event will include a Beer Garden. Food, and Music. Food Service will begin at 4 p.m. Music is by Cruise Control of the Tri-Cities Tickets are \$20.00. The street permit approved by the city council allows music outside until 10 p.m, in compliance with the city's noise code. ID is required for alcoholic beverages. Please do not call the police about the music before 10 p.m.

#### Alcoholic Beverages must remain within the Beer Garden Perimeter and cannot be in the park.

Net proceeds will benefit St. Peter's Catholic Church restoration and Scholarships.

### **Calling All Veterans**

Echo Girl Scout Troop 10298 is looking for



veterans, all veterans. Call Jamie Wiseman at 541-701-4138. The Girl Scouts would like to thank you for your service.

# **Corn Maze & Pumpkin** Patch

To get updated information on the Echo Corn Maze Pumpkin Patch go to Facebook: https:// www.facebook.com/echocornmaze/.

. The Maze will feature a zip line, corn box, kiddie carts, pumpkin patch & more. The



scarv "Field of Screams" will run from Saturday, October 21 through Saturday Oct. 28 from 7 to 9 pm. More information is also available at:

www.echocornmaze.com or PH 509-528-5808 and email echocornmaze@gmail.com. General Admission: \$10 ages 3 & up.

### **Halloween Party**

The annual City and Echo Booster Halloween



Party will be Wednesday. October 31 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The party will include a costume contest. games and

prizes. A free meal of hot dogs, chips, cookies and punch or cider will be served.

For the last five years Mayor Jeanie Hampton has organized a "Win it in a Minute" series of games for youth and she will do so again this year. Volunteers are needed to help with games & serving. Please contact city hall @ 541-376-8411 if you can help. If you would like to make a donation, please let us know.

### **Library Donations**

Jean Johnson 108 books & 10 DVD\$s Frankie Sewell 4 books ECHO BEAUTIFICATION Pat & Merle Gehrke \$50 ECHO HISTORICAL PROJECTS Pat & Merle Gehrke \$50 Echo Public Art In Memory of Penny Spike Shepherd \$50 In Memory of Carol Correa \$50 In Memory of Bea & George Luciani \$50 In Memory of Velma & Marv Laughlin \$75 In Memory of Murl & Mildred Berry \$75 In memory of Gene Berry \$50 In memory of Charles Berry \$50 Fort Henrietta Foundation \$100 Echo Boosters \$50

#### **Dolly Parton Imagination Library**

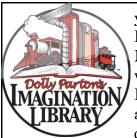
Anonymous	\$25
Echo Boosters	\$50
Diane Berry	\$50
Fort Henrietta Fnd.	\$50

The Echo Public Library, Stanfield Public Library, Pendleton Friends of the Library and Umatilla County Special Library District along with the Rippy Foundation are bringing the Dolly Parton Imagination Library to eligible children. The Rippy Foundation is covering 1/2 of the cost for the first three years.

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library is a 60 volume set of books beginning with the children's classic the *Little Engine that Could*. Each month a new age appropriate book will be mailed in your child's name directly to your home

**Who is Eligible?** Preschool children birth to five who are residents of Echo.

What are the Responsibilities? 1, To sign up your child fill out an official registration form you can pickup and submit either at the Echo Public Library or Stanfield Public Library. 2. Notify the library of any address changes as books are mailed to the address on



your registration form. 3. Read with your child. NOTE: Children's names will be turned into the Dolly Parton Imagination Library as donations are secured to cover the 50% match. Initial

donations will cover 7 children the first year.

The first book should arrive within eight to ten weeks of the form being submitted to the Imagination Library. The books will continue to arrive until your child turns five (5) or you move from the library district. As of September the Imagination Library has mailed over 109 million books and in just September they shipped 1.3 million books to children.

These books aren't just a nice gift for children...they are inspiring and help contribute to their success in school. Studies Show: 1. After being enrolled 4 months they found that those reading to children 3 times per week jumped from 59% to 85%. 2. The percentage of parents reading daily to their children went from 29% to 59%. 3. There was a 30% increase in Kindergarten readiness in children. 4. Children that participated in this program continued to outperform their peers who were not part of the program at 3rd

# **Kopacz Nursery & Florist**



#### "Making Echo known for its flowers"

Kopacz Nursery sponsors Echo's Beautification Program Providing plants, labor & green

house space for floral displays & donates annuals for public areas. 4.

Kopacz: Where Flowers Are Our Business. Check out our new web page.<u>http://</u>

- kopacznurseryflorist.com/
- Beautiful Bouquets
- Arrangements & more
- Gift Center
- Blooming & House plants Visit us on Facebook 541-567-3278 465 W



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grade level.

Donations to this program can be dropped off at City Hall. For Every \$25 donated to the Imagination Library a child will receive 12 books per year for them to keep. With an estimate of around 100 eligible children if all Echo children under 5 signed up, our 1/2 of the annual cost that would need to be donated is \$1250.



A Letter from Dolly Parton: "Before he passed away, my Daddy told me the Imagination Library was probably the most important thing I had ever done. I can't tell you how much that meant to me because I created the Imagination Library as a tribute to my Daddy. He was the smartest man I have ever known but I know in my heart his inability to read probably kept him from fulfilling all of his dreams.

"Inspiring kids to love to read became my mission. In the beginning, my hope was simply to inspire the children in my home county but here we are today with a worldwide program that gives a book a month to well over 1 million children.

"Of course, I have not done this alone. The real heroes of our story are the thousands of local organizations who have embraced my dream and made it their own. They raise millions of dollars each year and wake up every day with a passion to make sure their kids have every opportunity to succeed. Link: <u>https://imaginationlibrary.com/</u>.

The October Echo Open Air Market is Saturday, Oct. 20 from 4 p.m to 7 p.m. in the George/City Park. This will be the last market for the year. Information on the market is



on Facebook at: https:// w w w . f a c e b o o k . c o m / echoopenairmarket/. There is an email link on the Facebook page.

# **Library District**

The Umatilla County Library District Board of Directors governs Libraries in Umatilla County and is the tax district that collects funding to provide funds to operate the libraries. The library district board has positions open for election and needs interested people to file for the positions. There is a \$10 filing fee. You can contact the library district office for further information at 541-276-6449.

### **Share Your Vision**

Diane Berry, city administratorrecorder, will soon be retiring after 39 years working for the city. As a result the council will need to decide how they want to structure the position and set priorities.

What do you envision for the city for the next few years? What services or programs should be priorities?

As city administrator-recorder, Berry has also served as library director, chief gardener, bookkeeper, payroll director/clerk and grant writer. Realistically, she says, it will be hard for the council to find one person willing to take on all of these areas of responsibility, especially with our budget. Should services be contracted out? Consolidated?

Let the council know what you think by calling, sending a note or email: ecpl@centurytel.net.

