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**The City of Echo was visited by the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company
on
July 1 upstairs in the community hall. We had nearly 40 local kids and
parents participate. The show was called "My Mother The Astronaut".**



The Summer Reading Program in the City of Echo runs on every Friday, from June 28th - August 9th

Your children are invited to join Echo Public Library's Summer Reading Program and attend the fun programs and events we are planning for children preschool on up. Readers of all ages will explore things all about space and the Universe.

Echo Public Library presents "A Universe of Stories"! Activities may include group games, art projects, science and engineering experiments, and more. The programs are free and open to children of all abilities.

Stop in at the library for more information and a schedule of events. Program runs June 28th at 2:00 pm - August 9th @ the old VFW Building. You can register your children now. Come on in and see the Librarian for more information.

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.

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



Library Donations

Diane Berry - 2 books

Robin Winters 70 DVD's

Connie Thompson 100 books

Anonymous \$10

Doug Keller \$10

Beautification Donations

Dores Pitzer \$25

American Printing \$ 50

Echo Community Church \$50

Judy & Bill Webb \$ 25

Jean Johnson \$ 25

Amstad Farms \$100

Dick & Gale Yoder—Art\$ 25 & AIB \$ 25



Echo FFA Chapter wrote the following article on homelessness in our communities

As many of us know there is an epidemic in our nation of homelessness. There are many definitions of homelessness, but the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, or HHS, puts it this way; “an individual who lacks housing (without regard to whether the individual is a member of a family), including an individual whose primary residence during the night is a supervised public or private facility (e.g., shelters) that provides temporary living accommodations, and an individual who is a resident in transitional housing.” There is an estimated 553,742 people in the United States currently experiencing homelessness. Many people may think that this issue does not affect our area as we are so small, a community this size could not possibly be affected, but this is no the case. According to the 2017 census Umatilla County has 511 homeless people living within it; this breaks down to 292 homeless individuals living in Pendleton, 123 homeless individuals in Hermiston, 51 individuals in Athena, and 44 homeless individuals in Milton-Freewater, these numbers are estimated to have grown since then.

People experience homelessness for many reasons: lack of affordable housing, unemployment, poverty, mental illness, substance abuse and the lack of needed services. These issues have not managed to escape our community and it will not unless we make a conscious effort to help our transient population and support them in any way that we can.

There are many ways to help out in our community. You can volunteer your time and help out at these locations: Chester's Food Pantry located in Echo, Oregon at the Masonic Lodge, 20 S. Dupont Street, doors are open at 4:00 PM on the last Wednesday of every month; or the Agape House located at 500 W Harper Rd., Hermiston, Oregon and is open on Tuesdays thru Thursdays from 9 AM -12 PM, 1 PM - 3 PM; and the Food Basket located in Stanfield, OR at 405 N. Sherman (at the old Elementary School)

Works Cited





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City of Echo Business Licenses are Due July 1st.

This month we will be sending out a letter and applications for established businesses. Please fill out application and return to City Hall with your \$20.00 business license Fee. Any licenses not purchased by July 31st shall accrue a late fee of \$2.00 per month.

City Code

2-3-3 LICENSE REQUIRED. It shall be unlawful for any person to transact or cause to be transacted any business without having first obtained a license therefore from the city administrator or designee for the current fiscal year. This license shall apply to transient merchants who establish a place of business, but those selling door to door, shall be governed by City Code 2-1.

2-3-4: DURATION OF LICENSE. All business licenses are annual and shall expire on June 30. The required license fees are due on July 1 of each year for the fiscal year commencing with that date and are delinquent of August 1.

2-3-5: EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS/ACTIVITIES:

A. Non-Resident businesses conducting business at the request of an Echo resident or business.

B. Non-Profit Organizations: Shall be required to file a one time registration, and update information on officers and mailing address as applicable. The license fee shall be waived for non-profit activities.