

The 2006 America in Bloom (AIB) states: "The com-munity report recognize should these parks improvements are superior for any America, but more town in important in a city as small as Echo with a limited budget. "

The George Park is a small formal park located behind city hall at the corner of Bonanza and Dupont Streets. It is the site of many community events including



the annual National Night Out gathering. A consultant with the Oregon Arts Council wrote that the diversity of trees and landscape in the George Park make it "a work of art" in and of itself. The park features a gazebo, rose garden, an abundance of trees, a pond and waterfall and picnic facilities. Restroom facilities are available when the park is rented.

As the result of memorials and donations, a water feature was added dedicated in 2009 for Oregon's $150^{\rm th}$ Birthday celebration project.

Information on reserving and renting the park or



park benches, or making donations are available by calling city hall at 541-376-8411.

The George Park was established by Mr. & Mrs. F.T. George soon after

the town was founded on the site of an old commercial building and lumber yard. The George's owned the George and Miller Company Store across the street and they and Mr. & Mrs. Frank

Spinning packed buckets of water across the street to help the Black Locust Trees that originally shaded the park get established. While the land was used as a community park for generations, it was not formally donated to the city until the

George's daughter Marian Berg did so in 1966.

In 2007 AIB judges raved about the roses in the George



Park.



