COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DATES

Please be advised of the upcoming “clean-up” days for D-H residents. The Yavapai County Clean-Up Days at Mayer Transfer Station, 11130 S Antelope Creek Rd, are FREE of charge to D-H citizens. The dates are Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays on April 9, 10, 11 and April 16, 17, 18, from 8 to 4.

Accepted items: household appliances, bagged trash, auto batteries, un-mounted tires, furniture, and yard trimmings.

Unaccepted items: loose trash, liquids, hazardous materials, cars, Ni Cad batteries, dead animals; and commercial dumping.

On Saturday May 2, the Town is partnering with Prescott Valley for a clean-up event. There is a small fee: $2 per Car, Small Van or SUV; $5 per Pickup Truck; $10 per Vehicle with Trailer; $1 DOT Tires—un-mounted; $3 DOT Tires—mounted; $5 Off-Road Heavy Truck Tires; $25 Freon Appliances. Accepted Items: yard clippings, furniture and other residential items. Recycled Items: old appliances, plastics #1 & #2, aluminum, newspapers, tires (10 max. limit), auto batteries. Unaccepted Items: free liquids (oil, anti-freeze, paint, etc.); ammunition; medical waste; explosives; propane tanks; hazardous items.

If you are physically challenged, possess a handicap license plate, a resident of Dewey-Humboldt and unable to deliver items to the drop off site, call Town Hall at 632-7362 to speak to Cathy Jackson or Ed Hanks two weeks before the events to make possible arrangements.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

Dewey-Humboldt Volunteer of the Year (2014) Process Begins

Every day Dewey-Humboldt volunteers generously give their time and service to help others. Now here is your chance to give back by nominating a deserving individual in Dewey-Humboldt for his or her outstanding service through the Town’s Volunteer-of-the-Year program.

Who is eligible? The nomination is open to all Dewey-Humboldt residents who have volunteered in 2014. Nominees need to have been volunteers for organizations that directly benefit the citizens of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt; the organization can be the Town Council, Town Boards/Commission/Committees, including the Planning and Zoning Commission, and Open Space and Trail Committee, Volunteers for the Town’s Activity Center, the Town Library, the Historical Society, Humboldt Elementary School and other agencies that have programs benefiting the citizens of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt are also eligible.

Nomination Process: The process is simple. Nominations can be written on a piece of paper and submitted to Cathy Jackson at the Town office by 5 p.m. Thursday, April 16, 2015. Only one nomination per paper please. Please state the nominee’s name (who you are nominating), volunteer organization (where the nominee volunteered in 2014), and why you believe the individual should be nominated, such as how his/her efforts volunteering in the specific organization have made a profound difference in citizens’ lives. Nomination
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This is a wonderful way for the Town to express its sincere appreciation for our volunteers and also a great opportunity for volunteers to inspire others through their stories. Last year, Mr. Thomas Grimshaw was the Honoree of the 2013 Volunteer of the Year Award. This year once again, if you know anyone who volunteers in the community, please let the Town know that he/she is doing a great job by nominating him/her.

Keep those nomination papers coming in! Kindly contact the Town Manager if you have any questions.

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WELCOME MR. DON ZELECHOWSKI, CPA, AS THE TOWN’S CONTRACT TPT AUDITOR

A few months ago, Town Council authorized a one and a half year contract with Don Zelechowski, CPA, for the Town’s Transaction Privilege Tax (TPT) auditing services. TPT tax revenues constitute over 25% of the Town’s general fund revenues. It plays a significant role in the Town’s financial state.

As you may know, TPT is a very complicated subject for both the taxpayers and town staff. The State is also undergoing complex changes to its collection of local TPTs, which adds additional complexity to the mix. The Town is pleased that Mr. Zelechowski is able to help all of us navigate the waters of TPT. He has over 30-years of experience in the field and is helping several other small municipalities with the same.

As part of the work plan, Mr. Zelechowski will lead public education activities including posting basic TPT information in the newsletter, sending out some informational letters to our residents regarding such items as rental tax and construction tax. We will also make general TPT information available in Town Hall and on the Town’s website soon. Mr. Zelechowski also has scheduled office hours in Town Hall on the second Thursday of each month. Please feel free to come by to see him if you have questions about TPT. You can also call the Town Accountant, Deni Thompson, with your TPT questions; Deni will forward your inquiries to Mr. Zelechowski when needed.

Fast fact about privilege tax on real property rentals: The Town of Dewey-Humboldt levies a 2.0% privilege tax on the gross receipts from the rental of all commercial and qualified residential real property. The residential rental property is subject to the Town tax if the property owner has three or more residential rental units within Arizona. However, even one unit becomes taxable should they have a commercial rental property, or the property is handled by a property manager.

The Dewey-Humboldt Privilege Tax program is administrated by the Arizona Department of Revenue.
HOME GROWN FOOD
JUST TASTES BETTER
From Stephen & Cindy Scott
Terroir Seeds/Underwood Gardens

We were “foodies” long before the term was coined and found that the food from our garden simply tasted much better than what was bought in the store. Our garden was planted to supply what we wanted to cook and eat!

It all starts with the soil. Healthy soil grows healthy plants with more production, better pest and disease resistance and tastier, more nutritious food. In short, healthy soil equals healthy people. By improving the health of your soil and growing some, not even all, of your own food, you will see a noticeable improvement in you and your family’s health!

There is a term called Brix, which is a measure of the nutrients and sugars in the juice or sap of a plant or vegetable. Wine makers watch the brix levels closely as the grapes ripen to ensure the best flavor and fermentation for the wines, but it applies equally well to vegetables.

A perfect example of this is store bought bell peppers, which have a brix level of about 4 to 5. Kids won’t like them, as they have a slightly bitter aftertaste to a young palate. Grow the same sweet peppers in an average garden, and the brix rises to 8 – 10. Kids will like them; the taste is noticeably sweet with a juicy crunch. They make a delicious snack. Now grow them again in a garden soil that is fertile, healthy and rich. The same peppers will have a brix level of 12 or more, will taste like a sweet apple with a sweet aftertaste, kids will go straight into the garden after school to snack on them. Very few will make into the house!

So, which peppers do you want to eat? That’s easy, isn’t it? So which fresh foods do you want to cook with and feed your family with? Another easy answer – Yes, grow your own!
LIBRARY NEWS
By Jeff Franklin

YOUR Dewey-Humboldt public library has a lot of great activities in April! And, while here, use our computers, check out some fun and informative books, and find some entertaining movies too! Find out what your library provides for you!

Every Thursday from 1 to 5 the Friends of the Library have a continuing “featured” Book Sale, downstairs in the JW Mitchell Room. Each week a new selection of gift-quality books will be on display for purchase. Most hardback books are $1, most paperback books are $0.25 (Romance and Western paperbacks are only $0.10 each!), with the larger “Trade” paperbacks starting at $0.50. DVD movies, audio books, and coffee table style books are priced at $2 and up. And we have books for kids and teens! All prices are as marked. Be sure to come back each week to find new items to add to your personal collection!

At the library’s Movies for Grownups we will show a recently released DVD movie on our 90” movie screen, with a discussion to follow. On Tuesday, April 28: 6-8:30pm our movie will be The Imation Game, a story based on the biography Alan Turing: The Enigma. This thrilling, Academy Award winning movie, starring Benedict Cumberbatch, describes the events surrounding the decryption of the Enigma machine, used by the Nazis to send coded messages. Please register in advance by calling 632-5049. Please bring your own comfortable chair (such as a lawn chair) and/or blanket.

The library has free computer classes in April. Come in or call 928-632-5049 to register for classes! Registration is required.

First up is a one-part class teaching how to use the features of Google Chrome Internet browser program. You’ll also learn the pros and cons of using it over Microsoft’s Internet Explorer. Pre-register for the class for: Thursday, April 9: 5 to 7pm.

The next class will be a four-part class designed to teach you the most common functions of the most used word processing program in the world, Microsoft Word. We start with the basics and move up to advanced features. We are using the 2010 version of the program. Pre-register for the class for: Thursdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 5 to 7pm.

Attention families and children! On Saturday, April 11, the library will have Kids Activities Day! During our Story Time, for children in Preschool through 2nd grade at 10:00am – 10:45am, Ms. Maizie will read spring animal stories to the children. Parents, please stay with your children.

Then, during the Arts & Crafts activity for kids in grades 2nd and up, Ms. Lisa will run a Scavenger Hunt for the kids, from 11 to 11:45am!

Sign up your kids today for both Story Time and Arts & Crafts by stopping in or calling 928-632-5049. Refreshments will be served.

The library has a weekly activity, US Fans of UK Entertainment, on Saturday Afternoons at 1pm. The group’s goal is to enjoy, share, and discuss British entertainment. In April, the group will take a trip back in time by viewing and discussing classic Doctor Who stories from the 1980’s, specifically the 7th Doctor’s (Sylvester McCoy’s) era. Take a nostalgic spin with us as we travel through time!

Light refreshments will be provided for this fun and lively event. Call the library, 928-632-5049, for more information.

Your library is located at 2735 Coral St. in Humboldt near the entrance to the Humboldt Elementary School and next to the Kate Garber Activity Center. Contact us by phone at 632-5049. Also, don’t forget that you can visit the library’s website to find out the dates and times for all the library’s activities and to search for and place holds on library items at: http://yavapailibrary.org/dhl.htm.

The library’s regular hours are: Tues, Wed, & Fri: 10am to 5pm (closed for lunch Noon – 12:30 p.m.), Thurs: 12:30 to 7pm, and Sat: 10am to 2pm.
MEETING DATES AND EXPECTED AGENDA ITEMS
(Subject to change. Check website or call Town Hall to confirm.)

Town Council Chambers
2735 S. Hwy. 69, Humboldt
(unless otherwise posted)

Council Meetings 6:30pm
April 21: 1) EPA presentation.
Council Work Sessions 2:00pm
and Budget Meetings 9:00am
April 21: 1) Budget Wkshp. #1
April 28: 1) Budget Wkshp. #2

P & Z Meetings 6:00pm
April 9: 1) TBD
To receive Meeting Notifications and Agendas by email contact: Agenda List@dhaz.gov and put “subscribe” in the subject line.
Citizens may have an item placed on the agenda by contacting a Council Member or filling out a form available at the counter in Town Hall.

BLOOD DRIVE
From Mary Franks

The February Blood Drive was a big success! We had a cake in appreciation of Shirley Williams, for all she has done for this community and to help celebrate her birthday. The Blood Drive is critically important. A special thanks to all the donors who have contributed since 2003. It has saved or help to save many lives.

Since I am relatively new at this, I again want to thank all the people who have helped and guided me in this venture. I would name names but I am sure I would leave someone important out. I also want to thank the Humboldt Bible Church and all it's members for the use of their building. They have gone above and beyond. We couldn't do it without them. This really is a community effort and the life you save may be your own.

So the next time I call, sign up to give blood! If I don't call, call me. 928 237 6596 or 928 642 2115 and leave a message. See you at the next Blood Drive on May, 19th!

ACTIVITY CENTER
Tuesday through Friday, 10 to 2
13000 Prescott Street, Humboldt
(928) 632-0699

Mission: To provide adult, youth and family services to strengthen the family unit and to provide residents with recreational, event and meeting space.

Coffee Time: Tuesdays, 10am to ?
Goodies, conversation and fun!

Bingo: Tuesdays, 11am to noon.
Bring a $2 prize (can include nonperishable foods). Player with the highest number of wins each 4 weeks wins lunch for two at a local area restaurant. Four weeks winner Margaret. Congratulations!

Community Cupboard: The Center collects nonperishable food items for local distribution. Thank you for your continued donations!

Food Bank: Wednesday 9am until 11am at the food is gone. For more information call 632-0699.

Head Start: PV Early Head Start and the Head Start Preschool Home Based Program hold a monthly play group for families with children up to 5 years old. Call (928) 772-7274 for information.

Men’s AA: Every Thursday at 7pm.

Thrift Store: Offering a good variety of items, and accepting donations (but not electric appliances, clothing, shoes nor opened toiletries).

We also have info about Medicare Care, Legal Advocacy, DES, AHCCCS, food stamps, utility bill discounts, health, safety and welfare, Meals on Wheels, and rides.

HOT PINEAPPLE DISH
From Pat Mathews

1 large can crushed pineapple (drain and reserve 1/2 c of the juice)
1/2 cup sugar
2 tablespoons flour
1/4 cup melted margarine
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
2/3 cup coarsely crushed soda crackers

In a large bowl combine pineapple, sugar, flour, margarine, and 3/4 cup of cheese. Mix well, then pour into a 1 1/2 quart baking dish. Sprinkle crackers over top of the mixture. Drizzle reserved pineapple juice over this.

Bake at 350 for 30 to 35 minutes. It should be bubbly on the edges. Remove from oven and sprinkle remaining cheese over top. Makes a nice side dish with your Easter ham. Enjoy!

IN MEMORY
Gilbert (Tad) Gilcrease
Charles Bruce McDonald
Michele Marie Metiva
Charles J Minahan
Carol Lee Powell
Murry Michael Williams
Gone But Not Forgotten

APRIL HOLIDAYS & EVENTS
April 1: April Fools Day
April 3: Good Friday
April 3: Passover Begins
April 5: Easter Sunday
April 22: Earth Day
April 24: Arbor Day

Flower: Sweet Pea
Birthstone: Diamond
MINE TOUR & BBQ

The D-H Historical Society will have their 2nd Annual Chaparral Mine Tour and BBQ on May 9 from 10 to 4. On the menu will be hamburgers, hot dogs, beans, salads, dessert and drinks.

You will be taken on a tour of an old mine, enjoy some old country gospel music, play some horseshoes, ride a mule, and learn how to pan for gold with the prospectors from GPAA. Bring your chairs and relax and enjoy this day of fun!

Cost is $15 for single, $30 for family of 4, and children 5 years old and under are free.

All proceeds go to the Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society which is a non-profit 501c3.

Please RSVP by May 1st. You can sign-up and get directions at the D-H Museum, 12925 E. Main St, Humboldt, or contact Sue at 928-499-9972.

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