Happy New Year!

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Dewey-Humboldt Library News!

Come out of the cold and go to YOUR library. We have a lot of great activities in January.

The Library’s Movies for Grownups this month is The Martian on Tuesday, January 26: 5:30 – 8:30pm (please note the early start time). This movie, based on the book by Andy Weir, centers around an expedition to Mars. Astronaut Mark Watney (played by Matt Damon), apparently dies in an accident and is left behind as the team leaves Mars. As they travel back to Earth, they find out he is still alive. Mark struggles to find a way to survive alone on Mars, while hoping beyond hope to be rescued. The movie has spectacular acting, special effects, and scientific accuracy. Don’t miss out! Please register for this fun movie in advance by calling 632-5049. Refreshments will be served.

The Dewey-Humboldt IONS group will meet on

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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

In December, the Town council recognized 4 employees for their tenure services. Judy Morgan, Town Clerk, has been employed by the Town for 10 years. She was first hired as the Town’s Administrative Assistant in December 2005. Judy is the longest serving employee in the Town’s 11 year municipal history. Catherine Kelley, Town Magistrate, has been with the Town for 6 years. Therese Christopher, Court Clerk, has been with the Town for 5 years. Ed Hanks, Town Public Works Supervisor, has worked 5 years for the Town. Ed was initially hired in September 2010 as the Equipment Operator. Please join us in congratulating these long term employees for reaching their career milestones and thanking them for their services.

The Community Survey has arrived and your input is needed.

As reported in the last issue of the newsletter, the Town is conducting a community survey in December, January, and February. The survey will be conducted by Yavapai College’s Regional Economic Development Center using multiple approaches.

1500 survey questionnaires will be mailed out. The survey will also be available at town hall. YCREDC staff also plan to appear at the Town Library to conduct the survey.

Your input is valued and appreciated. The Mayor and Town Council respect the opinions and needs of the citizenry and want to hear your voice so that they may better serve the Town as it moves into an increasingly complex future. The Town of Dewey-Humboldt needs your input to create a path for prosperity and to maintain the quality of life that is valued by its citizens. Thank you for your time and consideration with this project.

For questions regarding the survey, please contact Alex Wright, YCREDC Director, at 928-776-2378 or Yvonne Kimball, Town Manager, at 928-632-7362.

Free Private Well-Water Testing!
The Town of Dewey-Humboldt is offering to Residents of the Town, free testing of drinking water samples from local Residents’ well systems.

While they last, sample bottles can be obtained at Town Hall from 8:00am till 12:00pm, February 8th through 11th, 2016. Residents are encouraged to return the filled bottles the day they are picked up, but they must be returned by 12:00 pm on February 11, 2016 in order to be transported to Nortest Analytical Laboratories in Flagstaff for testing. Nortest Laboratories will return their results directly to participating Residents.

Drinking Water Testing Includes: Copper, Lead, and Arsenic
RSVP to Steven Brown at (928) 632-7362 to reserve your sample kit NOW, indicating the day you will pick up the kit.

A traffic light at the intersection of Main St. and SR 69 is coming in 2016.

As many of us recall there were more than one fatalities at or near the intersection of Main St. and Hwy 69 in the last few years. Dewey-Humboldt Community Members have been working for a number of years with Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to have a traffic signal light installed at that intersection.

The plea for a light went on with no success until in 2012, when the then Town Council unanimously voted to pursue a traffic light. This time around, the effort by Town Elected Officials and Staff generated promising results.

After tireless persuasion efforts by Town Officials, 2013 ADOT agreed to conduct a traffic count study to determine whether the intersection met the count requirement. In 2014 ADOT’s study found that the intersection meets the required traffic counts standard for a light to be installed. Shortly

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COMMUNITY NEWS

AMERICAN LEGION POST 78
HUMBOLDT, AZ 86329
(928) 632-5185
JANUARY 2016
The Post with a View
New Hours: 1pm – 8pm Monday-Saturday; 11am – 6pm Sundays until Super Bowl
Jan 1: Fish Fry 5 to 7pm. Greenwood Hill providing the music;
Jan 2: Auxiliary E-board Meeting 11am;
Jan 3: 40 & 8 Meeting 1pm;
Jan 6: Monthly Meetings: Auxiliary 4pm, Post Regular Meeting 5pm, QUEEN of HEARTS;
Jan 7: S.A.L. meets ay 5pm and Rider Potluck at 5:30pm;
Jan 9: S.A.L. Pancake Breakfast—9am to 11am. And Special Post Officer’s Meeting 12 Noon;
Jan 21: VA :Lunch for Fort Whipple Vets 11am; and RIDER’S Meeting 6pm
Jan 31: Abbey Irish Fund—4 to 7pm;
Mondays: 8-Ball Tournament 4:30pm;
Tuesdays: Taco Tuesday $1.50, Noon, Free Pool, Bar Specials;
Wednesdays: Hamburgers 1—3pm $5, and QUEEN of HEARTS drawing at 5pm;
Fish Fry Friday: 5—7pm. Public Welcome! (Cod, Catfish, Shrimp, Chef’s Special) $9 per person;
COMING EVENTS: SUPER BOWL SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 7, 2016

Sandbags available to prevent winter flooding:
According to this year’s El-Nino winter forecast, flooding may occur. Yavapai County Emergency Management and Flood Control has purchased additional sandbags. When flooding is forecast or begins to occur and you have a need for sandbags, you can pick them up at the Yavapai County Public Works Yard, 1100 Commerce Drive, or at Central Yavapai Fire Station. You will need to bring a shovel to fill your own bags. Additional information is available at the Yavapai County website or call Yavapai Emergency Management at 928-771-3321.

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Tuesdays,
January 5: 10:30am – 12:30pm. Special guest speaker Ashley Brothers, from Sedona, will talk about Shamanism. In Ms. Brothers’s own words, “It changed my life from one of pain and misery to one of beauty and joy. I won’t say my life was easy though. I suffered years of illness and almost died, but not only did it save my life, it also helped me cope and find a way to cure a disease that is rare and usually requires chemotherapy to fix. I’ve traveled in for this in tandem with Lakota traditions, and core shamanism from cultures throughout the world.” The IONS meetings are open to all points of view. Visitors are welcome!

The library will have Afternoon Story Time with Ms. Maizie on Tuesday, January 26; 1:00-1:45pm. Geared for preschool and kindergarten-age kids, this fun activity will help children in reading and learning concepts.

We have winter themed books planned for the little ones this month! Parents must stay with their children during this fun event.

The library has a brand new program, Fans of Cultdom, for Saturday afternoons, from 1:00 – 3:30pm. We will enjoy movies and TV shows from a variety of different genres including science fiction, action, suspense, mystery, horror, and comedy.

On January 9, join in for the 2016 DocTOR WHO Christmas special. January 16, we will be showing the 2016 New Year’s Day Sherlock special. January 23 will see a classic Mystery Science Theater 3000 episode. And starting on January 30, we will be airing the brand new episodes of The X-Files. We have some great ideas for later in the year. Refreshments will be served.

The library’s Book Discussion Group will meet on Tuesday, January 12: 9:30 – 10:45am to discuss The Thirteenth Tale, by Diane Setterfield. This spooky story is about Margaret Lea, the daughter of a London bookseller, who is contacted by renowned, aging author Vida Winter. Margaret travels to Yorkshire to interview Vida about her estate, a governess, abandoned babies, a ghost, and more. Good reading for cold winter nights! Come in to the library to pick up a copy of the book, and then come for the discussion. There will be light refreshments.

The library will offer Computer Basics 101, a two-part class which will instruct students on basic concepts of using a computer, offer practice in using the keyboard and the mouse, and teach basic computer terminology. The class will be offered on Wednesdays,
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
Jan 5: 1) 2012 i-codes adoption by Ordinance; 2) CRS-Flood Control; 3) CDBG Engineering Contract; 4) Town Manager Performance Review; 5) Enterprise Technology Contract.
Jan 19: 1) Reasonable Accommodations Ordinance Public Hearing.

Council Work Sessions and Special Meetings 2:00pm

P & Z Meetings 6:00pm
Jan 7: 1) Public Hearing-Reasonable Accommodations Ordinance; 2) Discussion on Animal Ordinance.

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.

LUCKY FOODS for the NEW YEAR

From the Editor’s desk

For many, January 1 offers an opportunity to forget the past and make a clean start. But instead of leaving everything up to fate, why not enjoy a meal to increase your good fortune? Traditions vary from culture to culture but there are a variety of foods that are believed to be lucky and to improve the odds that next year will be a great one. The six major categories of auspicious foods are:

GRAPES: For most, the goal is to swallow all the grapes before the last stroke of midnight, but Peruvians insist on taking in a 13th grape for good measure.

COOKED GREENS: Cooked greens, including cabbage, collards, kale, and chard, are consumed at New Year’s in different countries for a simple reason — their green leaves look like folded money, and are thus symbolic of economic fortune.

LEGUMES: Include beans, peas, and lentils. They are also symbolic of money. Their small, seed-like appearance resembles coins that swell when cooked so they are consumed with financial rewards in mind.

POUR: The custom of eating pork on New Year’s is based on the idea that pigs symbolize progress. The animal pushes forward, rooting itself in the ground before moving.

FISH: Cod has been a popular feast food since the Middle Ages.

CAKES, ETC: Cakes and other baked goods are commonly served from Christmas to New Year’s around the world, with a special emphasis placed on round or ring-shaped items.

WHAT NOT TO EAT: In addition to the aforementioned lucky foods, there are also a few to avoid. Lobster, for instance, is a bad idea because they move backwards and could therefore lead to setbacks. Chicken is also discouraged because the bird scratches backwards, which could cause regret or dwelling on the past. Another theory warns against eating any winged fowl because good luck could fly away.

Now that you know what to eat, there’s one more superstition—that is, guideline—to keep in mind. In Germany, it’s customary to leave a little bit of each food on your plate past midnight to guarantee a stocked pantry in the New Year. Likewise in the Philippines, it’s important to have food on the table at midnight. The conclusion? Eat as much lucky food as you can, just don’t get too greedy—or the first place you’ll be going in the new year is the gym.

Editor Denise Rogers wishes everyone a happy and healthy New Year!

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 12:30pm
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 four weeks wins lunch for two at a local area restaurant. The past four-weeks winner: Beverly.

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

Food Bank: Wednesday 8am until the food is gone. For information call 632-0699.

Head Start: PV Early Head Start and the Head Start Preschool Home Based for children ages 3 to 5 meets once or twice a month at the Dewey-Humboldt Activity Center. Please call 772-7274 for more 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 or opened toiletries).

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

THE CENTER WILL BE CLOSED THE WEEK OF NEW YEARS.

Happy New Year!!

COMMUNITY GROWTH PERMITS ISSUED:
The Town’s Building Department issued the following “new residence” permits in November. This information is provided to indicate growth in the community:

- 0 Single Family Residence
- 0 Manufactured Homes
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GPREP MANUFACTURER’S EXPORTING BREAKFAST
The Town of Dewey-Humboldt is a member of the Greater Prescott Regional Economic Partnership (GPREP). GPREP promotes Regional Economic Development. On Wednesday, January 27th, GPREP is hosting a Breakfast Learning event for anyone who is interested in the trade of “exporting”. The event is FREE; but advance registration is required. The event will be held at Yavapai College, Prescott Campus, Community Room from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (registration and breakfast begins at 7:30 p.m.). Please call Rich Heath, GPREP Executive Director at 772-4883 to register (deadline to register is January 20th) or email to info@gprepaz.com.

Featured Presenters:
Kurt Haskell, Director, Small Business Development Center
Mike Paredes, Executive Director, Prescott Valley Economic Development Foundation
Kevin O'Shea, Vice President of International Trade, Arizona Commerce Authority

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WINTER MARKET
The Prescott Farmers Market has changed to winter hours and location. It runs on Saturdays, through April 30th, 2016, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Yavapai Regional Medical Center, Pendleton Center parking lot, 930 Division St, Prescott.
Closed December 26th.

JANUARY EVENTS & HOLIDAYS
Jan 1st: New Year’s Day—Office closure
Jan 18th: Martin Luther King Day—Office closure
Flower: Carnation
Birthstone: Garnet

YOU’RE INVITED TO HAVE COFFEE WITH THE TOWN MANAGER
Monday, Jan 11th from 9am to 10am in the Town Manager’s Office.