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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

By Yvonne Kimball, Town Manager


Every day Dewey-Humboldt volunteers generously give their time and service to help others. 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 2016. Nominees need to have been volunteers for organizations that directly benefit the citizens of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt. The organization can be Town Council or Town Boards/Commission/Committees, including the P & Z Commission, Board of Adjustment 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 Steven Brown at the Town office by 6 p.m. Thursday, July 6, 2017. Only one nomination per paper please. Please state the nominee’s name (who you are nominating), volunteer organization where the nominee volunteered in 2016, 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 papers can also be submitted by fax to 928-632-7362 or emailed to stevenbrown@dhaz.gov.

Honoree Selection: The Town Manager will form a citizen committee to review the nominations after the nomination period is closed in July. The Committee then makes a recommendation to the Council. Nominees will be judged on their outstanding service to the citizens of Dewey-Humboldt.

The Honoree of the “Volunteer-of-the-Year” Award, along with all nominees will be recognized by Town Council in July or August. A public picnic will be scheduled along with a formal plaque presentation at a council meeting.

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. The Council initiated the program in 2012. The honorees throughout the years are: Pat Mathew (2012); Tom Grimshaw (2013); Betty Comfort, Frank Davidson, Judy Davidson, Sandra Goodwin, and Sue Palacio (2014); Margaret Roberts and Barry Smylie (2015).

This year once again, if you know anyone who volunteers in the community, please let the Town know how he/she is doing a great job by nominating him/her.

Keep those nomination papers coming in!

Contact the Community Planner, Steven Brown, if you have any questions.

Town Clerk vacancy: In June, Town Clerk, Judy Morgan, tendered her resignation after 11.5 years of service to the Town. Ms. Morgan has been the longest tenured employee in the Town’s municipal history. The recruitment of the next Town Clerk is currently in progress. The Town hopes to make a selection in July or early August.

The Town Clerk’s primary responsibilities include assisting Council and other public body meetings, interacting with the Town Council and other public body members, codification of ordinances, managing records and ensuring public access to records and open meetings. The Town Clerk is also the Town’s Election Officer.

If you are interested in learning about the position of the Town Clerk (or other Town positions), please call the Town Manager at 632-7362 or come to meet with the Town Manager at her monthly Coffee with the Town Manager program. In July it will take place on Monday, July 10 at 9 a.m. in the Town Manager’s office.

FY 2018 Budget is to be adopted soon: The Fiscal Year 2017-2018 begins on July 1, 2017. The FY 2017-18 Tentative Budget was adopted by Council in June. The Budget—Continued on page 2
AGUA FRIA FESTIVAL

Preparations are under way for the annual Agua Fria Festival to be held on Saturday, October 7th, and the DHHS is calling for participants!

ATTENTION VENDORS!

Booth spaces are available for your crafts, western art, food services, or information on your business or organization.

ATTENTION KIDS!
The Agua Fria Festival Button Contest has started. You can pick up an entry form at the Dewey-Humboldt Museum. Your entry must be turned in by July 15th. You can submit more than one entry. Good Luck!

ATTENTION BUSINESSES!

Your business ad would look great in the Agua Fria Festival Program! Call Charlotte Klein at (928) 277-5609 to get your ad in.

ATTENTION FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS!

Would your group like to participate in the Old West Main Street Parade or the Pet Parade?

Come by the Dewey-Humboldt Museum, 12925 Main St, Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., to pick up your applications. And be sure to return them NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, August 31st! Join the fun!

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT DOCUMENTARY

During the first week of July the Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society will be filming a documentary of our area. They will have a licensed drone pilot who will take a professional video of specific historic sites in both Dewey and Humboldt which will include downtown Humboldt, Mortimer Farm, the King Woolsey ruins, the smelter and areas in the Bradshaw Mountains. The video will be interspersed with historic archival photographs.

One of the events to be featured in the documentary is the annual Agua Fria Festival. The Historical Society is trying to locate historic records of this event. If you have historic film footage or pictures of this event and would like them to be considered for this documentary, or if you have questions regarding the project, call Carl Marsee at (928) 202-9410.
D-H COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Want to get involved and meet others interested in the environment and community projects?

Join the Dewey-Humboldt Community Environmental Board, in collaboration with the Univ of AZ Superfund research program (this is not a Town Council ad hoc committee).

Our Mission: “Identifying and striving to address local environmental issues through science, education, and community collaboration.”

Background: The Dewey-Humboldt Community Environmental Board was originally formed in 2012 as a venue for the University of Arizona Superfund Research Program to share their ongoing research with local citizens. Now, it is time to build and expand the board — please join us!

Meetings are held quarterly on the second Wednesday of the month, at 12:30 p.m. at the D-H Public Library.

Our next meeting is Sept 13th.

If you would like to attend this or other future meetings contact Denise at dmoreno@email.arizona.edu or 520-626-9049

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR P&Z AND OSAT VACANCIES

The Town has vacancies on the Planning and Zoning Commission and Open Space and Trails Committee.

You must be a resident of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission. To serve as a voting member of the Open Space and Trails committee you must be a resident. Non-residents can serve as Associate members, without voting rights.

If you would like to be considered for appointment to either of these public bodies, please obtain an application from Town Hall, complete it and return it. Town Council will review the applications and following an interview at a Town Council meeting, decide on the appointments.

If you have any questions please contact town hall at (928) 632-7362.

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN LIBRARY NEWS

2735 Corral St, Humboldt, 632-5049 · yavapalibrary.org/deweyhumboldt.asp

Tues, Wed, & Fri: 10 to 5
(closed for lunch 12 to 12:30),
Thurs 12:30 to 7, Sat 10 to 2

Your library is ready for the summer with some awesome activities for kids and adults of all ages! Find out what your library can do for you!

Our SUMMER READING ACTIVITIES are in full swing. As the kids continue to read through the summer, we invite them to come in for our fun programs! All Reading Time Tickets must be turned in to the library by Saturday, July 22: 2:00pm. Kids who read at least 15 hours during the program will be invited to the Pizza Party at the end of the program. Please stop in the library or call 928-632-5049 to sign up for activities!

RONALD MCDONALD is coming to the library to share the joys of reading using jokes, magic, and laughter on Tuesday, July 11: 1:00 – 2:00p.m. Please register in advance for this fun activity.

On Tuesday, July 18: 1:00 – 2:00p.m., the library is pleased to have STICKS & TONES presenting their musical talents to the kids. The musical duo will be bringing their percussion instruments to have the kids play along with them during their “Build a Better World” program. Please register in advance.

In addition to the kids’ reading program, the library has some other great activities lined up for the kids as well! Please stop in the library or call 928-632-5049 to sign up for activities!

The library has some great events for adults too.

FANS OF CULT-

DOM, an activity where you can enjoy movies and TV shows from a variety of different genres including science fiction, action, suspense, mystery, horror, and comedy, will be held on Saturday, July 1: 1:00 – 3:30p.m. We are showing the BRAND NEW Doctor Who, series 10, episode 11 and the BRAND NEW Mystery Science Theater 3000 Season 11 episode 1!

The BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP will have its monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 11: 9:30 – 10:45a.m. The group is reading, When Breath Becomes Air, by Paul Kalanithi. This memoir details the trials of the author, who is on the cusp of completing his training to become a neurosurgeon. Suddenly learning he has stage IV lung cancer, his life suddenly changes from saving the lives of others in the future to fighting for his own life in the present. This book brings out the struggles to live and what the meaning of life truly is. The library has copies of the book available for checkout. Come in to the library to pick up a copy of the book, and then come for the discussion. There will be light refreshments. Call the library, 928-632-5049, for more information.

Do you like to get books “hot off the-press?” The Friends of the Library are having a SILENT BOOK AUCTION on Thursdays in July, 1:00 – 5:00p.m. Up for auction is a book being newly published in August 2017, Jonathan Kellerman and Jesse Kellerman’s book Crime Scene. You can win. The minimum starting bid is $10. Your bid will help support the library’s diverse programs and activities. Win this book!
Every Thursday: 1:00–5:00 p.m., the Friends of the Library have a “featured" BOOK SALE, downstairs in the JW Mitchell Room at the Library. Each week a new selection of gift-quality books will be on display for purchase. Most hardcover books are $1.00, most paperback books are $0.25 (Romance and Western paperbacks are only $0.10 each) with the larger “Trade" paperback books priced at $2.00 or more. We have books for kids and teens! All prices are as marked. Come back each Thursday to find new items to add to your personal library collection!

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION.
From Mary Franks

Don’t know how many of you come from big cities, but life in a small town is much different.

Many of us are very community oriented and love small town life. One thing that often is neglected is the participating in community business and activities. We need everyone to support the local stores. We have several new (and older) businesses in this area and whether they succeed or fail is up to all of you. Check them out!

Local activities need your help, and support as well. The Friends of the Library host many activities for both adults and children. They need your help and donations to continue to do so.

Our Museum is “manned” by knowledgeable volunteers and has many interesting displays and activities.

Reading this newsletter and the flyers put out by the Library will keep you informed of what is going on in our little town.

Be involved in your community!

BLUE HILLS/FOOTHILLS FIREWISE COMMUNITY

Grant Funds Available for those seeking to create defensible space around their homes in these areas. The Prescott Area Wildland Urban Interface Commission (PAWUIC) manage a grant fund from Arizona State Forestry for addressing the abatement of wildland fuels adjacent to homes that pose a wildfire threat. The first step in learning if you qualify for the grant funds is to contact Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority (CAFMA) to request an assessment of your property. CAFMA can be contacted at 928-759-9933.

Emergency Access Sought There is currently only one route in or out of parts of the Blue Hills in the event of wildfire or other emergency. D-H Town Council has approved Staff to begin a dialogue with the Bureau of Land Management regarding a potential future emergency ingress/egress into the southermmost area of upper Blue Hills, an area identified as subject to extreme wildfire hazard.

Firewise Committee Seeks Fighting Water Source in Blue Hills Firewise Committee is cooperating with CAFMA in identifying and acquiring a potential ROW into previously land locked CAFMA properties in the Upper Blue Hills. This would establish an emergency water source in our Upper Blue Hills.

Volunteer Opportunity - Firewise Assessment Abatement Training Training will be held this fall in Prescott when the current fire season is over. There is one spot still available for this two-day training. Trained volunteers will participate in cooperation with CAFMA and our Blue Hills/Foothills Firewise Committee in assisting our residents in determining fuel abatement for future grants. To volunteer, contact Vickie Wendt at 928-710-9244.

Next Firewise Committee Meeting The next meeting will be held at Town Hall on Wed, 7/19/16 at 6:30 p.m. For further information, please call Steven Brown at 928-632-7362.

NOTICE OF FIRE BAN
Yavapai County Fire Ban Effective Date and Time: June 1st, 2017 at 8:00 A.M.

In accordance with Yavapai County Ordinance No. 2012-1, Section V. The Yavapai County Emergency Management Officer has determined that a fire emergency exists in Yavapai County. Board of Supervisor Vice Chairman, Rowle Simmons has signed an interim order to enact a fire ban within Yavapai County.

This determination is based upon the implementation of fire restrictions by the following jurisdictions: Prescott National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management, and local fire districts and fire departments.

The restrictions are due to recent wildland fire activity in the area and the combination of windy conditions and warmer temperatures which are quickly drying out the tall vegetation which has grown over the spring months. These conditions create the potential for a large fire event. The fire ban covers the unincorporated areas of the County. Each fire department or fire district has the authority to apply fire restrictions for their respective jurisdiction. Please check with your local fire jurisdiction for more information.

The county ban prohibits all open fires and campfires. Fireworks and other pyrotechnic displays are expressly prohibited. Other types of outdoor fires banned are those that produce open flames such as lamp oil in tiki lamps. The ban also prohibits the outdoor use of equipment that generates open flames or a spark. This restricts the use of welding equipment and chain saws. Variances for businesses however, can be requested.

The determination includes the following Fire Ban Zones: All of Yavapai County to include the Central Zone, Southern Zone, Northern Zone, and Eastern Zone.

Yavapai County fire ban information can be obtained at www.regionalinfoalert.org or www.facebook.com/YCOEM. “Know before you go” for current information on fire restrictions please visit: www.wildlandfire.AZ.gov or www.fire_restrictions.us or by calling 1-877-864-6985.
MEETING DATES AND EXPECTED AGENDA ITEMS
Subject to change. Check website, postings, and Crier Boards or call Town Hall to confirm.

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

Council Meetings 6:30 p.m.
July 4: NO MEETING - HOLIDAY

Council Work Sessions 2:00 p.m.
July 11 1) 4th Qtr Dept Reports 2) NACOG Grants Report

P & Z Meetings 6:00 p.m.
July 6: 1) Public Hearing - Plat Revision APN 402-03-204
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 Town Hall.

A NEW BUSINESS IN OUR AREA
The D-H Newsletter does not accept advertising, but we do like to announce new businesses in the Community.

TENNESSEE BOB’S BITCHIN’ BURGERS & BBQ
2735 S Hwy 69, #1 & 2
Humboldt Station (by the Chevron)
Open 6 Days a Week
11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Tues - Sat
11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sundays
Closed Mondays

Burgers, Smoked Ribs, Brisket, Pulled Pork, Sandwiches, Coffees, Espressos, Ice Cream, Milk Shakes, Freezers and Fruit Smoothies - Catering Available.

July 4: Independence Day - Town Hall Offices Closed
July 16: National Ice Cream Day
July 23: National Hot Dog Day
Birthstone: Ruby
Flower: Water Lily

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 recreational, event and meeting space.

AA FOR MEN: Thursdays at 7pm.
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.

COFFEE TIME: Tuesdays, 10am to 5? Goodies, conversation, fun!

COMMUNITY CUPBOARD:
The Center collects and distributes nonperishable food items locally.
FREE bread on Thursdays.

THRIFT STORE: Offering a good variety of items, and accepting donations, including small working appliances (but not clothing, shoes or opened toiletries).

SERVICES:
AHCCCS & DES APPLICATIONS: Food Stamps, Medical Ins., etc.
HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE INFORMATION: For more information call: 211 or (877) 211-8661 or visit www.211arizona.org.
LEGAL ADVOCACY: Call Amy Lansa: 775-9993, ext 4271.
MEDICARE ASSISTANCE: Call Nancy Coman: 775-9993 ext 3.

JULY HOLIDAYS
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IN MEMORY
Seth Adams
Gone But Not Forgotten
Firewise program continues strong and needs volunteers
By Yvonne Kimball, Town Manager

As many of you have heard, the Blue Hills and Foothills neighborhoods have been certified by the Firewise USA and are officially a Firewise community. Firewise is a great program assisting homeowners to create defensible space and reduce fire risk. You can find more information about Firewise at www.firewise.org.

As a certified Firewise USA community, the Blue Hills and the Foothills neighborhoods together have formed a Firewise Board. The Committee meets once a month. In fact, in this issue of the newsletter, you can read about what the Firewise Board has done lately.

Although it is not a council-appointed board, Firewise is committed to continuing the Firewise effort which would benefit the entire town and our surrounding communities. The Firewise Board and the Blue Hill/Foothills Firewise program needs volunteers. If you are interested, please call Steven Brown at 632-7362 or Vickie Wendt at 710-9244. Below is a map depicting the boundary of the Blue Hills/Foothills Firewise neighborhood.