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SAVE THE DATE!

The Dewey – Humboldt Historical Society would like to invite you all to the **Agua Fria Festival, Saturday, October 1st**, on **Main Street in Humboldt**.

Starting the day will be the popular **Pet Parade**. This has always been a favorite among kids and adults alike and so much fun for the pets too.

Next will be the **Main Street Parade**, the theme of which will be **The Old West**. It will start at 9 a.m.

This day will be filled with events of **Fun, Food, Games, Music**, and lots of **Old West History** for all so mark your calendars now!

NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

By Yvonne Kimball, Town Manager

An array of items are in motion in Town Hall. Recently, the budget; Main Street's traffic light; Superfund Sites; Water Quality; "Firewise"; and the Candidate (Mayor/Council) Election are the buzz words. Let me take a moment to update you on these matters.

The Town has been working on the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget. The Final Budgets are expected to be adopted by the Council in July. Although the budget is still under discussion, the Council has authorized funds for **Firewise Programs**; a **Free Dumpster Day Program**; continued **Well Water Testing**; and **Educational Grants Programs**. The Council also authorized funds to continue supporting the **Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society** and the **Mayer Area Meals on Wheels** program. If you are interested in the details of the budget, please call the Town Manager at 632-7362.

In the past few weeks, the installation of a new traffic signal was in full swing at the corner of Main Street and S.R. 69. This \$329,000 project consists of installation of a new traffic signal system; construction of new sidewalk; sidewalk ramps; pavement markings; and drainage improvements. The entire program is funded by federal and state funds. It is also a result of tenacious, persuasive effort by the past and the present councils and staff. According to ADOT, the full signal light is expected to be in operation in July. Town Council decided to have a dedication ceremony once the new light is functional. The Dedication is likely to take place in August. Stay tuned!

As many know, the Council wrote Senator McCain a letter to plead for his assistance on the EPA Superfund Site Cleanup Process. Several members had met with him in person concerning the matter. Senator McCain responded to Council by personally advising the EPA Administrator McCarthy of the following: "I ask, on behalf of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt, that you (1) indicate when the EPA will complete its study of cleanup alternatives; (2) release a proposal to re-

move contaminants from the site; and (3) begin a public comment period in connection with its proposal..." We thank Senator McCain for his response and eagerly wait to see what will happen next.

Meanwhile, the University of Arizona Superfund Research Program presented some of their research projects before the Council at the June 7th council meeting. You can listen to the presentation by going to www.dhaz.gov, click the "meetings" link on the front page.

Additionally, the Town Council decided to continue this year's Well Water Test Kit Program in the coming fiscal year and is also considering instituting a program to encourage our residents who are concerned about the drinking water quality to find a solution. Details will be available soon.

The **Tenderfoot Fire** broke out on June 8th near Yarnell (the same day the town held its first "Firewise" neighborhood meeting); then on June 11th and 17th, two structure fires broke out in the east Blue Hills area in Dewey-Humboldt. These unfortunate incidents manifest the importance of being "Firewise". Council has endorsed the community-wide and agency-wide **Firewise** effort. Town Staff has been going door to door to promote the program and the "defensible space" grant opportunity that is being offered by the Prescott Area Wildland Urban Interface Committee (PAWUIC). Further, on June 8th, the Foothills East and Blue Hills **Firewise** Committee meeting was held at Town Hall. Residents from these neighborhoods heard presentations from the Central Yavapai Fire District (CYFD), Prescott National Forest (PNF) and the Prescott Area Wildland Urban Interface Committee (PAWUIC). The next meeting of the **Firewise** Committee will be held at Town Hall on Wednesday, July 13, 2016. Come join your neighbors as they explore the process of creating defensible space from wildfire. For further information, please call Steven Brown at 632-7362.

On the Mayor/Council election front, Town Clerk/Election Officer, Judy Morgan, has an update included in the newsletter. You can also

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Town News—Continued from Page 1 find the latest information on the Town's election on the town's website at www.dhaz.gov.

Town Candidate Election Update - Town Clerk/Election Officer Judy Morgan. The Town of Dewey-Humboldt is holding its **Candidate Election on August 30, 2016**. Ten candidates' names will appear on the ballot for 1 Mayor seat and 3 Council seats. They are as follows.

MAYOR (1 seat): Terry Nolan and Doug Treadway.

COUNCIL (3 seats): Lori Crofutt, John Hughes, Kevin Leonard, Dennis Repan, Denise Rogers, Amy Timmons, Victoria J. Wendt, and Nancy Wright.

The Clerk's office is accepting write-in candidate nomination papers until July 21, 2016, 5:00 p.m. A write-in candidate is a candidate in an election whose name does not appear on the ballot, but for whom voters may vote nonetheless by writing in the person's name.

You should see campaign signs going up around town starting in July. State laws prohibit tampering with (removing, altering or defacing) political signs. If you feel there is a sign creating a potential hazardous public safety issue, please contact the town.

The last day to register to vote in the Primary Election is August 1, 2016. This is for both state and federal elections. You can register online at the Service Arizona website at servicearizona.com. Voter Registration forms are also available at the Yavapai County Recorder's Office; Town Clerk's office; Libraries throughout Yavapai County; Department of Motor Vehicles; United States Post Offices, and the Arizona Secretary of State's website.

If you have any candidate election questions contact Town Clerk Judy Morgan, at 928-632-7362.

Public Works - Ed Hanks, Public Works Supervisor. The Town has been awarded with approximately \$300,000 Community Development Block Grant funding. The funding has been allocated to two projects - one is **Huron Street Sidewalk** that

begins at Main Street and goes along Huron St. to the school area; the second is the Blue Hills Farm #3 that consists of **Graham Way, McAllister Drive, Montezuma Way, and Manzanita Blvd.** We will be improving the drainage and the roads in this area. Town Council also authorized an additional \$20,000 to ensure a complete scope of work can be done. After a bidding process, the contract has been awarded to a local contractor, Earth Resources, Inc. Construction has already begun for Huron St. sidewalks; residents can expect to see activities in the Blue Hills Farm #3 area in early July. Please use caution and watch for workers and equipment while traveling through these areas. Please park vehicles off the roads and shoulders during the construction. The projects should all be complete by the end of summer.

The monsoon season will begin soon. In preparation of this season the Public Works Department would like to remind everyone to be careful. Washes that flow this time of year may have unstable bottoms while the water is flowing. We recommend going another way or waiting until the water recedes and you are able to see the bottom. In preparing for a major event you may need to have some sandbags available. The Yavapai County Flood Control usually has sandbags and sand for pick-up at various locations. You may contact them at (928)-771-3197 to get the exact locations, if needed. Lastly, if you find or see an area in Town that has been damaged or is a hazard to the Public, please contact the Public Works Department at 632-7362 so we can assess the damage and determine what is needed for repairs.

Everyone have a safe and joyful summer!

COMMUNITY GROWTH PERMITS ISSUED:

The Town's Building Department issued the following permits in May. This information is to indicate growth in the community.

- Single Family Residence—1
- Residential Additions—1
- Other Permits issued—15

REGIONAL NEWS

PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST AND YAVAPAI COUNTY IMPLEMENT FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Campfire, smoking, and shooting restrictions are in effect on the **Prescott National Forest** and in the **unincorporated areas of Yavapai County**. Forest Managers and County Supervisors have determined that key criteria have been reached to warrant taking these restrictive actions. These include rapid drying of live and dead forest vegetation, escalating fire weather conditions, the level of firefighting resource commitments in the area, and increased forest visitor use. These restrictions will remain in effect until August 15 or when officials determine that conditions have changed sufficiently to reduce the risk of human-caused wildfire.

The following fire restrictions will be in effect for all national forest lands within the entire Prescott National Forest boundary, and all of unincorporated Yavapai County:

- Campfires, charcoal grills, and stove fires (wood, charcoal, and coal burning) are prohibited on all Prescott National Forest lands, roads, and trails; except within developed recreation sites where grills and campfire rings are provided. (The use of petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns or heating devices is allowed providing such devices meet the fire under writer's specifications for safety).
- Smoking is prohibited except within enclosed vehicles, buildings, or developed recreation sites where the area is cleared of all flammable material.
- Discharging a firearm is prohibited, except while engaged in a lawful hunt pursuant to state, federal laws and regulations
- Campfires are not allowed at the designated dispersed sites within the Prescott Basin. Metal posts identify designated dispersed sites with a number. Fireworks are always prohibited on all national forest lands.

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.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO! Check current fire information and restrictions at www.wildlandfire.AZ.gov or at www.firerestrictions.us or at www.ycsoaz.gov or call 1-877-864-6985

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 6:30 p.m.

July 5: 1) Condemnation Resolution 16-122 continued discussion.

July 19: 1) Budget Public Hearing and possible adoption.

Council Work Sessions and Special Meetings 2:00 p.m.

July 12: 1) Public Works Report; 2) Board of Adjustment reinstatement mechanism; 3) Citizen Survey Follow-up.

P&Z Meeting 6:00 p.m.

July 7: 1) Continuation of Historic District Assignment Review; 2) General Plan Review.

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.

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT HISTORICAL SOCIETY HISTORIC SITE POKER RUN (2016)

The run will start at the D-H Museum, Main St, Humboldt, at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 30th. The Difficulty Level on a scale of 1 to 10 is 3, and is limited to High Clearance 4 x 4 vehicles only.

The cost is a donation of \$25 for a Poker Hand and \$15 for all Ride-alongs.

Lunch will be served after the run and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and last place hands.

Pick up registration forms at the Museum, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thurs. thru Sat. or on our Facebook page.

For more info call Bob at 632-0234.



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The Post with a View

HOURS: Noon to 7 p.m. Sunday thru Saturday;

July 2: Auxiliary eBoard meeting 2 p.m.

July 4: 2 p.m. Burgers/Dogs/Beans \$5—S.A.L. Beef Raffle

July 5: Post eBoard meeting 5 p.m.

July 6: Monthly Meetings: Auxiliary 4 p.m.; Post Meeting 5 p.m.; QUEEN OF HEARTS 5 p.m.

July 7: S.A.L. Meeting 5 p.m.

July 9: S.A.L. Pancake Breakfast - 9 to 11 a.m.; 40 & 8 Meeting 11 a.m. **(NEW TIME & DAY)**

July 16: RIDER's Meeting **(NEW DATE & TIME)** Saturday at 9 a.m.; Auxiliary Karaoke - Christmas in July theme; 5 to 8 p.m. (bring socks, t-shirts/shorts for Vets at the STANDDOWN in September)

July 21: VA Lunch for Ft Whipple Vets 11 a.m.

COMING EVENTS:

Labor Day—September 5

Mondays: 8 Ball Tournament 4:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: Burgers 12 to 2 p.m. \$5, -Public Welcome; QUEEN OF HEARTS drawing 5 p.m.

Friday Fish Fry: 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. — **Public Welcome!** Cod, Catfish, Shrimp plus Chef's Special w/Soup, Salad, Rolls, Dessert - \$9 per person

Fish Fry Music: 1st TBA; 8th Peggy Evans; 15th Greenwood Hill; 24th TBA; 29th TBA.

JULY EVENTS & HOLIDAYS

July 4: Independence Day-office closed

Birthstone: Ruby

Flower: Larkspur



WHY WOULD A PERSON VIE TO SERVE ON OUR TOWN COUNCIL?

From League of Women Voters, as provided by Earl Goodwin

Before getting elected, public servants must figure out why they are running for an office. Most often, people run for office because they are deeply committed to their community and want to impact the community at a higher level. At times, people run because they are passionate about a single issue or problem. A single controversy - such as a land use or zoning decision - could dominate an entire election campaign.

But once the election is over, things change. Candidates who've won elections based on their position on that one single issue soon discover that they are responsible for a much broader array of challenges. The issue they ran on may not even be on the Council's agenda. Getting it placed there will only be possible if they are willing and able to work cooperatively with other members, many of whom will have their own issues to champion.

To be effective, elected officials must work as part of a team to establish a shared vision for the future, make plans that make that future possible, and work with their colleagues and constituents to enact the policies and laws that will ultimately lead to accomplishment. Holding a public office is an act of service to the public - that is, service to all the citizens of their district, not just those who share your views or those who voted for you.

It is a challenge that requires every office holder to rise above the fray, to reach beyond comfort zones, and to work with others with whom they may have significant differences. Rising to that challenge is what makes democracy work. It's what makes shaping our own shared future possible. It's what others have done before us. And it's what has made our Town a place we can be proud of.



CALL FOR AGUA FRIA FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS!

The *Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society* is gearing up for — **Old West Days & Agua Fria Festival**—to be held October 1st!

Vendors, spaces are available for your Crafts & Western Art or information on your businesses!

Food Vendors, would you like to join us that day?

Would you or your group like to participate in the Main Street Parade? We would love to have you be a part of



our annual fund raising event!

We're having the Admission Button Contest for the Festival again this year. Deadline to turn in your art work is July 25. Entry forms are available at the D-H Museum. Contact Sue at [928-449-9972](tel:928-449-9972) or Charlotte at [928-277-5609](tel:928-277-5609) for more information.



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Articles welcome from and provided by Citizens, Organizations, Committees, Staff, and Partners of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt.

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Denise Rogers, Editor

Please submit articles **by the 15th** on-line at: newsletter@dhaz.gov or in person at Town Hall.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed on the Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) and the Open Space and Trails Committee (OSAT).

Please contact the Town Clerk at 632-7362 to apply for these vacancies. Thank you for volunteering for our Community!

DON'T FORGET THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE!

**Great Titles
Great Prices
Great Cause**
Every Thursday, 1 to 5

THE PRESCOTT FARMERS MARKET

Saturdays through October 29th - 7:30 a.m. to Noon in the Yavapai College, Parking Lot D, 1100 E Sheldon, Prescott.



LEARN ABOUT OUR TOWN: HAVE COFFEE WITH THE TOWN MANAGER

Monday, July 11th from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Town Manager's Office.



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