

THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT NEWSLETTER

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Town Hall will be closed January 1, 2019. Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year!

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JANUARY 29TH COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

VISIONING FOR POSSIBLE **FUTURE REUSE OF FORMER HUMBOLDT SMELTER** PROPERTY AFTER CLEANUP

On January 29, 2019, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will host a community workshop. The goal of the workshop is to discuss how the community might envision the reuse of the former Humboldt Smelter property after the Superfund cleanup. EPA has secured a contractor to help the community explore and communicate its ideas to reuse the property in the future. This will help EPA understand whether our site cleanup options would be compatible with those ideas.

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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

WE'RE HIRING

Dewey-Humboldt has current iob openings for the following positions:



The Town of D-H seeks a Part-time (24-30 hrs/wk) Building Official/Inspector to perform inspections of build-ing construction and repair work for all building, plumbing, electrical and mechanical ordinances and codes. Issues permits, does plan reviews, works with contractors, builders. architects, and the public. Must have current ICC Combination Inspector or Combination Plans Examiner certification. \$20-25/ DOE. Full job descriptions at www.dhaz.gov.

The Town of D-H seeks a Community Development Director to provide Town planning, zoning and permit administration and to assist in developing and implementing the Town's Community Improvement Code Program. The successful candidate will be the staff liaison to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Adjustment. Strong interpersonal and oral/ written communication skills required, along with direct experience in zoning and general plan administration. Salary DOE.

To be considered for one of these positions, please submit a letter of interest and resume to Mickey Moore, PO Box 69, Humboldt, AZ 86329, or electronic submissions to HR@dhaz.gov. Responses will be kept confidential. Positions will be open until filled

For additional information, please call (928) 632-7362.

WINTER SNOW REMOVAL PLAN

Winter is upon us. In the event we receive heavy snow in the coming months, the Town Public Works Department has made sure the snowplow is ready to go in preparation for the cold weather.

The snow removal plan is as follows: Staff will start with the main collector/feeder roads throughout Town, then work into the

smaller neighborhood roads. We will get to all Town owned roads as quickly as possible. The snowplow blade is wide and the truck has to move slowly in order to effectively remove the snow. When snow removal is in process, there may be traffic delays on Town owned roads. Your patience would be appreciated.

During a snowstorm, we also ask our residents to avoid parking vehicles on the roads. Vehicles parked on the roads may become an obstacle for the Town's truck to remove snow.

If you have any questions about snow removal, please call Ed Hanks, Public Works Director at 928-632-7362.

Town Staff wishes you a safe and joyful Holiday Season.

DO I NEED A HOME **OCCUPATION PERMIT?**

Town Ordinance § 153.077 defines the rules for home occupations as follows:

- * A home occupation shall be conducted in a primary dwelling or in an attached or detached accessory structure and shall be clearly incidental to the use of the primary structure as a dwelling or accessory structure as a garage, workshop, storage shed or barn.
- * In no way shall the appearance of the structure or premises be so altered or the conduct of the occupation within the structure be such that it can be recognized as serving a nonresidential use (either by color, materials, construction, lighting, signs, sounds or noises, vibrations, display of equipment and the like.)
- The home occupation shall not cause any sustained noises, vibrations, noxious fumes, dust, odors or glare. The use shall not create any radio or television interference or cause any parking or additional traffic beyond what a normal single family residence would generate in the immediate neighborhood.
- * No one other than a resident of the dwelling shall be employed in the conduct of a home occupation.
- * No storage of materials and/or supplies, including vehicles or equipment used in the occupation, indoors or outdoors, shall be permitted which will be hazardous to surrounding neighbors or detrimental to

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Please Join Us!

What Would You Like to See at the Humboldt Smelter Property?

What's Your Vision for the Future of Dewey-Humboldt?

JANUARY 29, 2019 6:00 – 7:30 PM

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

Vision for the Humboldt Smelter Property

The Town of Dewey-Humboldt and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are hosting a workshop to hear the community's ideas for the future of the former Humboldt Smelter property. EPA has the opportunity to consider the community's reuse goals as they evaluate cleanup options for the site.

Humboldt Elementary School 2750 Corral St, Humboldt, AZ 86329 **Invite Your Neighbors!**

QUESTIONS?

Please contact:

Yolanda Sanchez US, EPA

Phone: 415-972-3880

Email: sanchez.yolanda@ epa.gov

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Join us January 16 for our FIREWISE COMMUNITY MEETING. Speaker Darrell Willis: "Lessons from the Goodwin Fire: A Look Back and Ahead." 6:30 pm. Town Council Chamber Meeting Room



D-H FIREWISE STARTS NEW YEAR WITH \$25,000 GRANT TO HELP PROPERTY OWNERS

Firewise Director Victoria Wendt and Mayor Terry Nolan received an abatement grant from the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors on December 5 to assist homeowners who want to improve their properties' fire safety. This was the 3rd largest grant awarded by the County to organizations who promote fire safety.

Currently homeowners who live in the designated Firewise areas of Foothills and Blue Hills are eligible to apply for grant assistance. For more information, contact Director Wendt at 928-710-9244 or victoriawendt.firewise@gmail.com.



Also pictured (back I /r) are Board Vice-Chair Larry Stone, Board Abatement Compliance Chair Mike Donovan, and Board Special Events Chair Anne Wilson.

NEW FIREWISE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOCUSES on TRAINING and COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN 2019

To assist Director Victoria Wendt, Firewise has elected a Board of Directors. They are Board Chair Carole Stensrud, Vice-Chair Larry Stone, Secretary Terri Brown, members Barb Breen, Mike Donovan, Ronnie Donovan, Ron Miller, and Anne Wilson.

We have many issues to address in 2019. We will start with a Board/Community Planning Workshop on January 30. Board Chair Carole Stensrud

The all-day workshop on January 30 will focus on the needs and outcomes most critical for Dewey-Humboldt's fire safety in the year ahead. Community agencies, leaders, businesses, and those with particular interest in fire safety are welcome, but seating is limited. For more information, email Carole at carolestensrud.firewise@gmail.com.

DARRELL WILLIS TO SPEAK JANUARY 16: "LESSONS FROM THE GOODWIN FIRE—A LOOK BACK AND AHEAD"

For 30 years Darrell Willis served as Prescott's Fire Chief. Wildfire risks led him during that time to form a Wildland Division that included the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshots. He also began participating in National Incident Management Teams that respond to All-Risk incidents.

Retiring from the Prescott Fire Department in 2015, and after 43 years of fire service, he is still active as a National Type One Operations Section Chief with the US Forest Ser-

vice that responds to and manages All-Risk incidents and disasters such as wild-fires, hurricanes, floods. He was the State's Resource Coordinator for the 2017 Goodwin Fire. He speaks across the country to help federal employees deal with critical injuries and line-of-duty deaths.



He also remains actively involved in the lives of the surviving family members of the Granite Mtn. Hotshots.



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We have a lot to lose in Dewey-Humboldt when it comes to wildfires. Please help us to continue with our mission to make our community safer from the next potential wildfire.

We're working to bring Firewise awareness to our citizens and to empower neighbors to work together to reduce their wildfire risk. Our goal is to raise \$13,000 by year end to provide abatement services to our Blue Hills and Foothills neighbors. Imagine how many more properties we can help become defensible! If your neighbor's property is abated and defensible, it's not only good for them, but it's also good for your home, your family, and your peace of mind.

Ways to Give:

Please make your tax deductible donation to the Arizona Community Foundation of Yavapai County (ACF). The Arizona Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Gifts to ACF are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Mail your check to: ACF of Yavapai County 300 E. Willis St. Suite B Prescott, AZ 86301

In the memo section please enter: Dewey-Humboldt Firewise Fund

Please purchase Dewey-Humboldt Firewise T-shirts. You will have a fabulous gift, you will spread the word, and you will support the effort to make our community safe!

T shirts are \$24.99 each. Please call Ronnie Donovan at 949-939-9585 to order.





Please volunteer for our organization. Currently we need 2 key volunteer positions: (1) graphics designer (2) marketing person. (These might be the same person.) There are many good things happening in our community with DH Firewise, and we need to keep our residents informed. This includes newsletters, meetings announcements, flyers re: community training opportunities and more. If you have an interest in either position, please contact Board Chair Carole Stensrud at carolestensrud.firewise@gmail.com.

We wholeheartedly invite you to attend our Firewise meetings to learn more about our volunteer organization and to learn more about fire safety. Meetings are every 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Town Council Chambers located at 2735 S. Highway 69. For more info read our monthly D-H Newsletter or contact Board Chair Carole Stensrud at 928-713-0496.

Dewey-Humboldt Firewise: Your friends and neighbors committed to the safety of you and your family

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EPA is managing the Superfund cleanup process for the Iron King Mine/ Humboldt Smelter (IKHS) site. The IKHS site includes the former mine and its large tailings pile, the former Humboldt Smelter, and the contaminated gulch areas lying between them. EPA has finished our investigation of the nature and extent of site contamination and has implemented cleanup of soils in residential yards where it was necessary. EPA is now working on a study of the options to clean up the contamination in the *non*-residential portions of the IKHS site. This is called a *feasibility study*.

EPA does <u>not</u> choose or pay for the future land use of properties after a cleanup. However, EPA needs to know what future land use the community might like to see so we can appropriately compare how the cleanup options would be compatible with those reuses when developing the feasibility study. This is what we will explore in the workshop.

The former Humboldt Smelter property is only one part of the site. However, the community has expressed concerns specifically about future land use at this property, after cleanup. Some ideas that have already been discussed include a historical state park, an interpretive trail, camping or other recreational spaces, and recreational sport fields. Please plan to join us!

Additional information about the IKHS Superfund site is available in EPA's information repository at the Dewey-Humboldt Town Library, located at 2735 N. Corral Street in Dewey-Humboldt. If you have questions or concerns about EPA activities in Dewey-Humboldt, please contact Yolanda Sanchez at 415-972-3880 or sanchez.yolanda@epa.gov.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORNER

PERMITS ISSUED:

The Town's Building Department issued the following permits in **November 2018**:

•	Demolition:	ı
•	Grading:	1
•	Mechanical:	3
•	Home Occupation:	1
•	Manufactured Homes:	1
•	Other Buildings:	5
•	Right Of Way:	5
•	Single Family Residence:	1





POST 78 HUMBOLDT, AZ 86329 928-632-5185 JANUARY 2019

The Post with a View
11am to 7pm, Sun thru Sat

Mondays: 8 Ball Tournament 4:30pm Wednesdays: QUEEN OF HEARTS

drawing 5pm

Friday Fish Fry: 5:00pm-7:00pm. (Cod, Catfish, Shrimp plus a Chef's non-fish special) \$10.00 per person.



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the residential character of the neighborhood. Outside storage shall be in keeping with outside storage requirements for a single family residence.

- * The home occupation shall not utilize or rely upon delivery or service from large vehicles not customary in residential areas.
- * The use shall not generate pedestrian or vehicular traffic beyond that normal to the district in which it is located.
- * Signage shall not advertise the home occupation.
- * Home occupations, where permitted, shall be subject to issuance of a home occupation permit and shall comply with the noted criteria. The home occupation application shall be subject to review by the Zoning Administrator at any time. Violation of any of the criteria for a home occupation as set out in this chapter shall be grounds for cancellation of the home occupation permit. The Zoning Administrator shall have the authority to revoke the home occupation permit if it has been demonstrated that the terms and conditions of this section have been violated.
- * A decision of the Zoning Administrator approving, disapproving or imposing conditions, regarding the home occupation, may be appealed to the Board of Adjustment. Appeal is subject to an application for appeal being on file with the Zoning Administrator within 30 days of notification of action taken on the home occupation.

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.

BUNCO: Tuesdays, 12 noon to —.

CRAFTING: Wednesdays 10—2 Knit,
Crochet, Quilt

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 IN- FORMATION: For more information call: 211 or (877) 211-8661 or visit www.211arizona.org.

LEGAL ADVOCACY & MEDICARE AS- SISTANCE: Area Agency on Aging—
NACOG: Toll Free: (877) 521-3500. Services & Support.

APS & UNS GAS DISCOUNTS: Handouts available.

MEETING DATES AND EXPECTED AGENDA ITEMS

Town Council Chambers 2735 S. Hwy. 69, Humboldt (unless otherwise posted) (Subject to change. Call to confirm.)

P & Z Meetings Jan 3 6:00pm tbd

Council Work Session Jan 8 2:00pm tbd

<u>Council Meeting</u> Jan 15 6:30pm Quartly & Accountability Reports

Citizens may have an item placed on the agenda by contacting a Council Member or filling out a form available at Town Hall.

COWBOY POETRY & CAMPFIRE MUSIC EVENT

On **February 16th from 6:30pm-9:00pm** the Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society will be holding a cowboy poetry and campfire music event at **Little Dealer Little Prices** located at 2757 N Truwood Dr (just off Hwy 69) in Prescott Valley. Cowboy poets will share cowboy poetry in an indoor "simulated" campfire setting, complete with music. This event was first held earlier this year and proved to be a popular function providing some good ol' family fun on a Saturday night.

Tickets will go on sale later this year to hear performers such as **Gail Steiger**, **Amy Auger Hale**, **Joe Konkel** and **Don Fernwalt**. Adding to the fun, we will have the Western Poetry contest winners from Humboldt Elementary School.

Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at **Gifts & Games** located at Hwy 69 & Main St in Humboldt (by the Chevron), at the door, or by Pay Pal. Make checks made payable to DHHS. **Children 12 and under are FREE.**

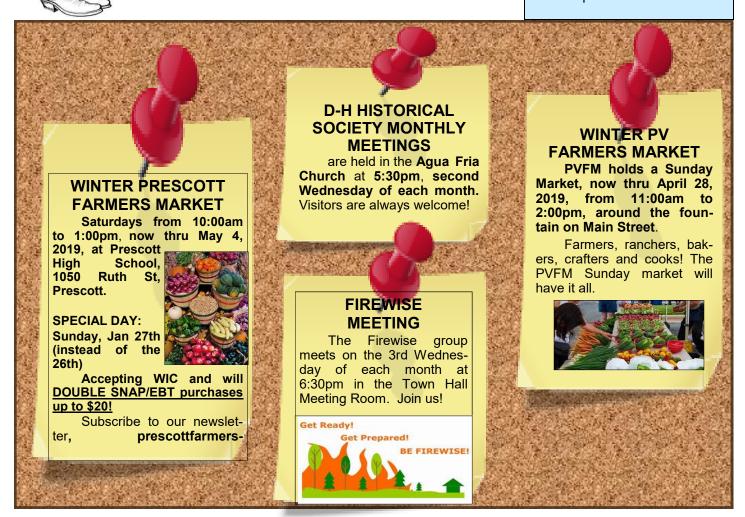
For more information call (928) 499-9972, or visit deweyhum-boldthistoricalsociety.org.



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