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November 4th Election—
Exercise your right to vote on the
**Dewey-Humboldt General
Plan** in the upcoming Election.
The last day to register to vote in
this election is October 6th. Yava-
pai County Voter Registration:
771-3248

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Every Friday—Lunch is served
at Kate Garber Activity Center
(\$6.00) located at 13000 Prescott
St., Humboldt, 632-0699.

**Second Wednesday of each
month**—Dewey-Humboldt His-
torical Society, 632-7224 or 632-
8989 Call for location and times of
regular meetings, and scheduled
field trip dates and times.

**Third Wednesday, every
other month**—Dewey-
Humboldt Arts & Culture
(DHAC) meets at the Kate Gar-
ber Activity Center at 6:30 p.m.
Outings and special activities
planned for alternate months. Call
for information—Betty Joy (632-
7224) or Carolyn (632-8848).

**Dewey-Humboldt Food Bank
Coming Soon** -Announcing the
opening of a food bank in Dewey-
Humboldt, provided by Foothills
Missionary Baptist Church located
at 2363 Highway 69. They are
currently collecting donations of
non-perishable food. To donate
food, please call Cathleen 480-
277-1875, or Dee 928-775-0055.

TOWN NEWS

FALL CLEAN UP DAY

By Larry Russell

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement



The Town of Dewey-Humboldt is partnering with the Town of Prescott Valley to participate in the fall clean up day event happening on Friday October 3rd and Saturday, October 4th 8:00 am to 4:00pm. Dewey-Humboldt residents will be able to bring their refuse, including tires and appliances, to the Prescott Valley Waste Water Treatment Plant located on Valley Road, for free. Household hazardous waste materials such as paints, oils, fuels and solvents will not be accepted. Proof of residency, such as a driver's license, utility bill, etc., will be required. This is a great opportunity to help clean up our Town.

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT IRON KING MINE/ HUMBOLDT SMELTER QUARTERLY REPORT

By Leah Butler

EPA Project Manager

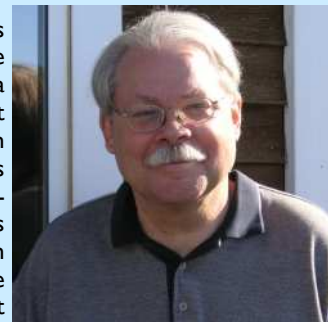
Greetings from San Francisco! My name is Leah Butler and I am the US Environmental Protection Agency Project Manager responsible for the investigation and cleanup of the Iron King Mine and Humboldt Smelter Site. We initiated the site investigation in August 2008. As part of this effort, the site team has been collecting hundreds of water, soil, and air samples in and around the mine and smelter properties. The majority of sampling will be completed by the beginning of October 2008. In order to collect informa-



tion about high wind events and dust storms, we will continue to monitor air quality throughout the winter and into Spring 2009. In addition to collecting samples, we are conducting a review of historic properties and artifacts, and surveying the ecological habitats in the area. We sincerely appreciate all the cooperation and cordiality we've encountered and look forward to conveying the results of our investigation to the community in Summer 2009. If you would like to be added to the site mailing list or would like more information about the Site, please call the toll free hotline (800) 231-3075 and leave a message with your name and address. Please visit the Iron King Mine and Humboldt Smelter Site website at: <http://www.epa.gov/region09/ironkingmine>.

DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

Dennis Price has recently joined the Town's staff as a Development Administration Assistant. He is becoming acquainted with his new duties, which include helping the public at the front office counter and



providing support to the staff with building and planning matters. Dennis brings over 30 years of varied experience in the development industry to his position. For 11 years prior to coming to the Town, he worked in Phoenix for a private consulting firm as a project manager and was involved with the planning and permitting of retail developments. A California native, Dennis holds a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Studies and Planning and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. Dennis and his wife JoAnn are looking forward to settling-in as permanent residents of the area.

NEED A RIDE?

Dewey-Humboldt Residents

- Without Transportation
- Low-Income
- Disabled
- 55 or Older?

Apply for the Taxi Voucher Program

NACOG at 928-778-1422

NOTICES



Are you interested in volunteering for your Town? Below is a list of volunteer positions available at Town Hall:

- newsletter editor (10 hours a month, not including initial training)
- front office assistant/greeter (to answer phones, greet people at the counter, help with correspondence; any amount of time)
- meeting preparation (3 hours a month)
- filing/records (any amount of time)

Come in to Town Hall and fill out a volunteer application during normal business hours, Monday-Friday, 8a.m.-5p.m.

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

By Betty Joy

The Dewey Humboldt Community Organization sprang forth in 1994 to fill a void, a void created by the lack of public input from residents in the Dewey-Humboldt area.

At that time, the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors, in the process of developing a plan for the unincorporated areas of the county, was establishing zoning ordinances for land in the area. Supervisor Brownlow wisely decided to encourage residents served by the Humboldt and Dewey post offices to organize in order to provide input for the development of this County Plan and to be kept abreast of the rapid changes taking place within County Government. Thus, the Dewey Humboldt Community Organization came into being, formally incorporated on June 30th, 1995.

Bylaws for the DHCO made clear its purpose: To become the voice of residents' desires for the conditions of the area and to encourage cooperation between government, social organizations and individu-

als. For the next ten years, it played a major role in the community, almost functioning as a quasi arm of government--meeting on a monthly basis, membership open to all, dues optional. Requests for zoning changes were first heard at a DHCO assembly and member responses funneled back to County Planning and Building. The group presented speakers on topics and issues important to residents, led the charge to have wells tested for nitrates, assisted in writing guidelines for wireless communication towers. They later became involved in moneymaking activities, such as golf tournaments and sponsoring Dewey-Humboldt Days in order to provide scholarship money for young people in our schools.

Throughout its history, DHCO's path contained many stumbling blocks. People didn't always agree on a certain course, and discussions often became heated. One group, who wanted to build a library and senior center, split off into the Community Action Project, or CAP, accomplishing their mission after years of hard

work. Some people wanted to see Dewey Humboldt incorporated; others didn't. The list of accomplishments and disagreements is long and varied, too numerous to mention here but deserving of a place in the area's history.

With the incorporation of the town, the DHCO's mission became a little cloudy. Some thought it should continue in the same advisory capacity to the Town Council that it had with the County, but the Council already had its advisory committees. Some thought it should function as an umbrella organization to disseminate the activities of all groups in the region, but attendance at the meetings declined. And, of course, there is always the Agua Fria Day Festival, a huge job in itself, and there are still those residents outside the new town's jurisdiction who may want representation of some sort.

Recently, the DHCO Board of Directors held a retreat to ponder the situation. They immediately decided to hold quarterly meetings, instead of the usual

monthly meetings. They revised the objectives into a mission statement that reads: "To provide the general community of the Dewey-Humboldt area with a forum to inform and be informed about historical, cultural, social, environmental matters and other pertinent issues."

According to Bylaws, the above changes need to be ratified at three general assembly meetings before they can take effect. Also, on tap are the annual elections to replace outgoing Directors. General meetings will be held on the second Tuesdays of September, October and November, 6:30 p.m., at the Dewey Humboldt Library. All residents are strongly encouraged to attend and provide input.

Whether or not you attend these meetings, the question remains: Is the Dewey Humboldt Community Organization still relevant to the conditions in our area? Is there still a void to be filled? If you have thoughts or suggestions, call Sheila Randall at 759-7381, or email communications to the Board of Directors at avalon1@northlink.com

KATE GARBER MEMORIAL ACTIVITY CENTER

By Brenda Tolbert

The Kate Garber Memorial Activity Center is under new management and excited to have a local native, Kathy Jackson, step in as the "Interim" Manager.

All ages are encouraged to join the regular Friday lunches as well as the following upcoming events:

October 31st—"Fall Family Night" for all ages—including costume contest, activities and

treats. Please feel free to drop by a bag of wrapped candy during the month of October so that our youth may have a safe night of treats.

November 27th—Thanksgiving Dinner will be served from 11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. If you have a neighbor or family member who may need a home cooked meal delivered on this day, please contact the Center at (928) 632-0699. Donations are welcome as

well as volunteers to serve and deliver meals in the community.

December 1st—The Center will begin accepting names to be placed on the Senior Angel Tree. If you would like to donate a few hours of your time to make this activity a huge success, please call the Center at (928) 632-0699.

Stop in and have a cup of coffee and get to know your volunteer staff as well as sign up to share

your hobby or talent with the Community. Your suggestions of activities, public service awareness programs, etc. are always welcome. The Kate Garber Activity Center is located in the heart of Humboldt at 13000 Prescott Street (off of Main St.)

The Center can be reached by phone Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., or email HumboldtActivityCenter@yahoo.com.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

By Terry Ford, Building Official

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM and the Community Rating System for Dewey-Humboldt

If you live high on a hill this article will be **BORING**, but if you live in a low laying area, thereby having a flood potential this information is very important to know.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) was established in 1968 with the National Flood Insurance Act. The NFIP is a Federal program enabling property owners in our Town to purchase insurance as a protection against flood losses. Keep in mind that the homeowners' insurance policies generally do not cover flood losses, so without the NFIP you could not insure your property against flooding.

By adopting Ordinance 06-27 in July of 2006 the Town of Dewey-Humboldt joined the NFIP, thereby making the NFIP responsive for floodplain administration within the Town. This action was in the best interest of the citizens of our Town because

it then allowed not only the opportunity to purchase flood insurance but to purchase it at a reduced rate to protect from flood losses.

Yavapai County Flood Control District now performs flood management for the Town of Dewey-Humboldt. Through the County work and with our adopted Ordinance in place, our application was accepted by FEMA in 2007. Our rating is now a Class 8 which means you can now buy flood insurance if needed and could receive a 10% reduction in flood insurance policy rates.

The Building Official (Terry Ford) has been designated as the Floodplain Manager for the Town and serves as the community point of contact on NFIP issues for the County, State and Federal officials. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is tasked with mapping the flood-prone areas of our Town. These maps called Federal Insurance Rate Map (FIRM's) are available for review in the Building Safety Department at the Town Hall. If you live high on a hill there is no

cause for concern, if you are in a low area and are curious as to your flood potential please stop in to see Terry so he can review the FIRM with you.

IMPORTANT FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Floods are the most common and most costly, natural disaster in the U.S.
- Before most forms of Federal disaster assistance can be offered, the President must declare a major disaster.

Flood insurance claims are paid whether or not a disaster has been declared by the President.

Over the life of a 30-year mortgage, there is a 26% (1 in 4) chance that a building in a floodplain will experience a flood that will equal or exceed the 1% chance flood (100 year flood).

Approximately 25% of all claims paid by the NFIP are for policies outside of the mapped floodplain.

So let's clear our minds of concern and stop to chat. If you have any questions you can reach Terry at 928-632-8643 or by e-mail at terryford@dhaz.gov.

TOWN COUNCIL AND P & Z MEETING DATES AND TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAYS

Held in Unit #10
2735 S. Hwy. 69,
unless otherwise posted

Town Council Regular Meetings (6:30 p.m.)

October 7th and 21st
November 4th and 18th
December 2nd and 16th
January 6th and 20th

Town Council Work Sessions (3:00 p.m.)

October 14th
December 9th
January 13th

Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission Regular Meetings (6:00 p.m.)

October 9th
November 6th
December 4th
January 8th

Town Offices Closed

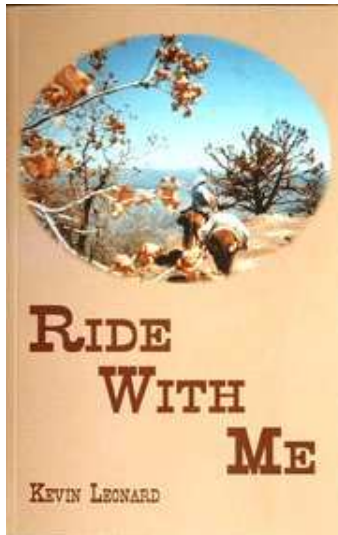
November 11th Veterans Day
November 27th and 28th Thanksgiving
December 25th Christmas
January 1st New Years Day

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

By Jeff Franklin, Librarian

It took many years for Dewey-Humboldt to finally open a library. From the earliest notions of building a library in the community to actually having an operating library took nearly a dozen, long years. It is now hard to imagine that your library is already over one year old. And your library continues to grow and add services for the community. We have some wonderful activities planned this fall for you!

Your library is proud to have local author Kevin Leonard speaking at the library on the lower floor on Thurs. Oct. 23: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Kevin will present a slide show on his many packing adventures in the mountains and deserts of Arizona. He will have a book



signing for his first book, Ride With Me. Kevin will also discuss his new book Some Trust in

Horses, due out this fall, just in time for Christmas! Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library. You don't want to miss this event! Sign up by stopping in at the library or calling (928) 632-5049.

Your library is not just for adults. We encourage children to read and to have fun while doing it. So, we provide activities for kids that encourage reading while allowing them to be creative. In cooperation with the Kate Garber Activity Center (next door to the library), the library will have wonderful children's events in October, November, and December.

Mary Harbeck leads our "Arts &

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Crafts” activities for children ages 7-12, one Saturday each month. These activities are normally at the Kate Garber Activity Center. Each month features a different craft with an emphasis on books about the craft. The first “Arts & Crafts” activity for the fall is on Sat., Oct. 4: 10am-Noon. Mary is planning a Halloween activity where the kids will create a cute Jack-o-Lantern mobile, create a “13 Days of Halloween” book, and play a Haunted House board game. The craft for Sat., Nov. 8: 10am – Noon will involve the kids working with stained glass leaves and butterflies. And just in time for Christmas on Sat. Dec. 6: 10am – Noon, Mary will have the children make painted cinnamon ornaments and stained glass pretzels to place on the library’s Christmas tree and for their own tree at home! The Friends of the Library will provide refreshments! Parents can sign up their children by calling (928) 632-5049 or by stopping in the library. Parents are always welcome to stay during the activities.

For younger children, ages 3-7, Heidi Remakel heads up our “Story & Activity Time”, one Saturday each month. These activities are usually at the library on the lower floor. These activities involve several fun stories read to the children plus provide a cute craft designed to help the kids develop their creativity. Upcoming dates for “Story & Activity Time” are Sat. Oct. 18: 10am - 11:15am at the library, Sat. Nov. 15: 10am - 11:15am at Kate Garber Activity Center, and Sat. Dec. 13: 10am - 11:15am at the library. Parents can sign up their children by calling (928) 632-5049 or by stopping in the library. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library. Parents are welcome to stay during

the activities.

The Friends of the Library will have a Book Sale at the library on the lower floor in November. The Friends are looking for donations for the sale. If you would like to donate books, please bring them down to the library during the library’s regular hours. The library will go through the donations and determine if they will be added to the library’s collection. Any that aren’t added will be sent to the Friends of the Library for the Book Sale. The Friends will use money raised at the Book Sale to support library programs. The Book Sale will take place on Thursdays (12:30pm-7pm), Fridays (9am-4pm), and Saturdays (9am-4pm) for two weeks in mid-November. The specific dates are: Nov. 13-15 and Nov. 20-22. Come on down and find some great books for yourself and to give as Christmas gifts for your loved ones!

Your library is excited about being a polling place for the General Election on Tuesday, November 4. If you voted at the library in the September Primary Election, then you will also vote here for the General Election. If you do not know where your polling place is, you can find out by calling (928) 771-3248 or by checking online at <http://apps.co.yavapai.az.us/electionprecinct>. The library encourages you to vote! We have voter registration forms available at the circulation desk.

Your library is the center of your community. Please come on down for these great activities! And while you are here, use the other great services we provide to you!

If you don’t have a library card, you can register for one very easily! Just stop in your library and apply. Children ages 5 and older can sign up for a card when

they bring in a parent or legal guardian with them. Cards from other Yavapai County public libraries can also be registered to work at your library. Why carry two cards when one will do? When registering, please bring in a government issued photo ID. If the ID doesn’t have the current mailing address, please also bring in proof of the current mailing address.

While here, find some great books to check out, borrow a few DVD or VHS movies, or find an audio book to take home. We have magazines and newspapers to read. The kids can play with stuffed toys or read a book at the kids table. We also have free computer service for internet access, email, word processing, and much more! Computer printer services are available for 10¢ per black & white print and 25¢ per color print. We provide black & white copier service for 10¢ per copy. Fax services are available at \$1.50 per page for sending local calls, \$1.75 per page for sending long distance, and \$1.50 per page to receive. Do

you have a reference question? We are glad to help you find an answer. Just ask!

If you haven’t visited your library, what are you waiting for? Stop in and find out what we can do for you! Your library is located at 2735 Corral St. in Humboldt near the entrance to the Humboldt Elementary School and next to the Kate Garber Activity Center. Contact us by phone at (928) 632-5049. The library can also be reached by email at librarian@cablone.net. If you need to contact the library by mail, send to Dewey-Humboldt Town Library, PO Box 217, Humboldt, AZ 86329. The library’s regular hours are: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Fridays: 10am – 5pm (closed for lunch Noon – 12:30pm), Thursdays: 12:30-7pm, and Saturdays: 10am-2pm.

The library will close for a number of upcoming holidays including Veterans’ Day (Tues. Nov. 11), Thanksgiving (Thurs. Nov. 27 & Fri. Nov. 28), Christmas (Wed. Dec. 24 & Thurs. Dec. 25), and New Years (Wed. Dec. 31 & Thurs. Jan. 1).

**United States Postal Service
2008 Holiday Shipping
Cut Off Dates for Domestic and Military**

Domestic Mail Class/Product	Cut Off Date		
First Class Mail	Dec-20		
Priority Mail	Dec-20		
Express Mail	Dec-23		
Parcel Post	Dec-16		

Military Mail Addressed To Express Mail® Military Service (EMMS) I/ First-Class Mail® Letters and Cards Priority Mail®

1st date represents Express Deadline
 2nd date represents First-Class Deadline
 3rd date represents Priority Deadline

APO/FPO AE ZIPs 090-092	Dec-18	Dec-11	Dec-11
APO/FPO AE ZIP 093	N/A	Dec-4	Dec-4
APO/FPO AE ZIPs 094-098	Dec-18	Dec-11	Dec-11
APO/FPO AA ZIP 340	Dec-18	Dec-11	Dec-11
APO/FPO AP ZIPs 962-966	Dec-18	Dec-11	Dec-11

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