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**OLD WEST
DAY
SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20TH**



NEWS FROM TOWN HALL:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORNER

REVIEW OF TOWN CODES CONCERNING ANIMALS

*By Connie Dedrick,
Community Development Coordinator*

Town Code of Ordinances regulate animal related matters. The regulations are contained in Title IX Chapter 90 Animals and Title XV Chapter 153 Land Use, Zoning Regulations. Town Council has directed Planning and Zoning Commission and staff to review these existing code sections as they are related to “animals”.

Reviewing any code is a complex issue. The Animal Code is emotional as well as complex because animals are part of most D-H residents’ life whether domestic or farm. Some of the residents I met consider their pets family members. Animal code review is not an easy task and we want your input.

Since the beginning of the year, four formal meetings and one informal community meeting have been held in regard to the “Animal Code”. The review does not necessarily generate more restrictive regulations. Staff has not recommended any suggested changes at this point. On the contrary, through reviewing the current code, staff wants to gather information, compile research from other rural communities and, just as importantly, meet with the community residents. The community meetings assist us in getting your feedback on the current code sections. I want to thank everyone who has stopped in, called, and sent emails. Your feedback is critical to the success of the review task. I would also to thank those who took the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the first community meeting held a few weeks ago regarding the Animal Code. The meeting brought together individuals from all over the com-

munity—from high-density old town Humboldt proper to low-density Blue Hill’s areas. Through the meeting, we communicated the importance and the challenges of striking a regulatory balance to fit different life styles and to accommodate everyone’s needs. Some areas of concerns were number of animals allowed and enforcement of nuisance animal issues.

Another community meeting will be scheduled at the end of September. I encourage everyone to attend as this is a great opportunity for you to share your thoughts. If you would like to be put on the contact list please call 632-7362, or email me at conniededrick@dhaz.gov.

ARSENIC IN DRINKING WATER

*By: Jennifer Botsford,
Arizona Department of Health Services*

Arsenic is a metal that occurs naturally in groundwater in many mining areas in Arizona, including the Dewey-Humboldt area. Consuming water with arsenic above the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) safe drinking water standard (10 parts per billion, or ppb) can raise your risk for some cancers and other health effects. Arsenic has been found in both household private wells and Humboldt Water System’s wells at levels above the EPA safe drinking water standard for arsenic. The Humboldt Water System, a privately owned company, is taking steps to reduce the level of arsenic in the water it provides to customers. If you own a well, there are steps you can take to protect yourself from drinking too much arsenic.

Private Wells:

Household private wells are not regulated and tested under federal safe drinking water regulations, therefore, private well owners are responsible for the safety of their water. Some private wells in Dewey-Humboldt have arsenic levels above the safe drinking water stand-

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Arsenic - Cont. from pg. 1

ard, while others have levels below it. ADHS recommends that well owners test their well water every year for bacteria and nitrates, and at least every three years for metals, including arsenic. If your test results show arsenic levels higher than 10 ppb, ADHS recommends purchasing and installing a treatment system that will reduce the level of arsenic in your water. For help finding a state-certified water testing laboratory or with understanding test results, call ADHS (602-364-3128). For help choosing a treatment system to reduce arsenic levels in your water, call Dr. Janick Artiola (520-621-3516), at the University of Arizona. To learn more about private well maintenance, testing and water treatment, visit www.wellowner.org.

Humboldt Water System:

The Humboldt Water System is a private water company (not part of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt). The company runs two wells that provide water to more than 300 Dewey-Humboldt households and businesses. Humboldt Water System tests this water for arsenic and other contaminants and it is required to meet EPA safe drinking water standards.

To lower arsenic levels, the Humboldt Water System is installing a new arsenic treatment system that is expected to start operation by early 2015. The company's Annual Consumer Confidence Report, which provides water quality information, is available at www.southwesternutility.com/view/250 or by calling Southwestern Utility Management at (520) 623-5172.

Stop By the "Safe Drinking Water Corner" at the Agua Fria Festival:

The federal, state, and academic organizations listed below are working together to address drinking water quality concerns in Dewey-Humboldt. The following groups are organizing drinking water information to distribute at the **Agua Fria Festival** on October 4-5. Representatives from some of the organizations will also be available to talk at the festival, so stop by their

tables to learn more about safe drinking water!

- Arizona Department of Health Services;
- Arizona Department of Environmental Quality;
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency;
- U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry;
- University of Arizona Superfund Research Program.

METALS EXPOSURE STUDY IN HOMES SAMPLING COMPLETED

By Nathan Lothrop, University of Arizona

As many Dewey-Humboldt residents are aware, from July 2012 through June 2013, researchers from the College of Public Health at the University of Arizona (UA) conducted the Metals Exposure Study in Homes (MESH) to study concentrations of metals in homes and children ages 1-11 in Dewey-Humboldt. Researchers have recently completed sampling, and wanted to share some initial findings with the community.

The study goal was to understand how much children are exposed to metals and also how metals can enter the home. Metals are elements that occur naturally in the environment and can also be deposited by human activities. MESH focused on children for two reasons: 1) children are still growing and may be more susceptible to health effects of high exposures to pollutants; and 2) children are more likely than adults to put their hands or objects like toys into their mouths, which may be covered with soil and dust. Results from this study will help determine how people can reduce their exposure to metals.

Researchers sampled drinking water, yard soil, and vacuum dust, as well as children's urine, blood, and toenails. At the moment, sampling results are still being analyzed, however, there are a few preliminary results. First, none of the 46 children whose blood was tested for

lead had levels above the current reference value of 5 µg/dL set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Although children may be exposed to lead from a variety of sources like paint, soil or toys, study results suggest that children who participated in MESH are not being excessively exposed to lead from the Iron King Mine and Humboldt Smelter Superfund site. However, the Arizona Department of Health Services recommends all children have their blood tested for lead at age 1, and again at age 2. Researchers also found arsenic levels above drinking water guidelines in half of the tap water samples from private wells. Because exposure to high levels of arsenic has been associated with many diseases, well owners should test their water regularly and treat it, if necessary.

For more information on how you can reduce your exposure to arsenic, visit the Dewey-Humboldt Town Library (2735 S. Corral St.) and ask for materials on reducing arsenic and lead exposure from the UA Superfund Research Program. You can also look for the article in this issue entitled, "Arsenic in Drinking Water." For additional questions about the MESH study, please contact Nathan Lothrop toll-free at (877) 535-6171 or email Lothrop@email.arizona.edu.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

WEST NILE VIRUS FOUND IN CAMP VERDE AREA

Anthony Palermo, YCSO

West Nile Virus can spread to humans and animals through bites from mosquitoes that have fed on infected birds. The incubation period for people infected with WNV is 3 to 14 days with symptoms lasting 3 to 6 days. Most people infected with West Nile Virus will feel no symptoms. However, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that 20 percent will feel mild, flu-like symptoms that may include fever, headache, body aches,

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AGUA FRIA FESTIVAL/ LION'S CLUB UPDATE

By Bob Greene

Festival work is progressing well. We have all permits from the Town and the State. Applications for Sponsorship have been sent to APS and others requesting \$1000.00 grants and also requesting volunteer from their companies plus trash boxes and more. We're working with a new **Kid's Midway** event company and are close to a proposal. It cannot be stressed enough that you, our club members and the citizens of Dewey-Humboldt, are an important part of producing this event. The event committee needs your help in procuring donations for drawings and prizes. Also you can encourage advertising in our program. You can contact me or Lynn Fortney for applications by emailing info@aguafriafestival.com.

We have three great area bands that will perform, and a professional sound tech who will handle the whole event. Look forward to the Rock and Roll of **Damokleez, Raven** and Dewey-Humboldt's own **Chris Berry and the Retrofitters**. Members of these three groups have opened headliner show for such legendary greats as ZZ Tops, Aero Smith, Jefferson Airplanes and more. We are also in the process of signing a Gospel Group and a Country and Western Band.

Don't forget our new location is now at **Riata Pass** located on 20 acres just south of the American Legion on Hwy 69 (3525 S. Hwy 69).

Realizing that some of you can't do some of the more strenuous jobs, there are some things to be done that don't require "heavy lifting". It is important that you remember our mission, and that you, the **Citizens of Dewey-Humboldt** and the **Bradshaw Mountain Lion's Club**, are an integral part of the **Agua Fria Festival**. The funds earned go right back into our community. We will all share in its successes.

Last, but especially not least, a "Special Thank You" to the Mayor,

Town Council, Town Manager and her Staff of Dewey-Humboldt for again placing their trust and support behind this historic **Festival**.

On another note the **Bradshaw Mountain Lion's Club** is actively seeking new members for our Club. Being a Lion is such a rewarding experience. We support the community in which we live by providing free eye examinations and glasses to school children and needy adults, donating to local charities and funds, as well as being an active sponsor of the local **Little League**. We give grants to Grade School and High School student who participate in National Programs and support many other community activities.

If you would like to explore the **Lion's Club**

as a candidate for membership please attend our business meeting held at the Prescott County Club POA Building on the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30 PM, or visit our Dinner Meeting, held the third Wednesday of each month at Porta Vallarta Mexican Restaurant Located on Hwy 69 just south of the Prescott Country Club entrance, as my guest. Dinner begins at 5:30 PM with an open menu and there is always an interesting guest speaker.

Giving back to the community that you live in is always rewarding and being a Lion brings new friends and great relationships. For more info please again email me at: info@aguafriafestival.com.

Remember it does not matter how much you give, it only matters that you gave. While some provide the muscle others are needed to provide the brains. We all can contribute each in our own way so don't be bashful. Come and visit a meeting and see if this is right for you!



POST 78

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KIA & POST 78

Respectfully Request Your Attendance at the Presentation of the KIA Flag to Each of the Gold Star Mothers of these Heroes:

SGT Michael Picard
KIA 2/20/1968
GSM Patti Picard

LCPL Jason E Smith
US Marine KIA 12/31/2004
GSM Jodi Smith

SGT Justin Martone
KIA 2/18/2006
GSM Paulette Martone

CW3 Coredl Chao
US Army KIA 2/28/2007
GSM Jasmine Crowl

American Legion Post 78
3301 N Hwy 69
Humboldt, AZ 86329

Saturday
September 27, 2014

1:00 pm

All Gave Some,
Some Gave All

For further information call:
Eagle "Many Hats" Levy (928) 303-3424 or Jack "Fubar" Graham (928) 649-8070.

LIBRARY NEWS

By Jeff Franklin

Dewey-Humboldt should be proud of the children in our community. The Library had its annual **Summer Reading Program** during June and July. The kids were encouraged to read through the program with prizes awarded for reading 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 hours. We had 50 children, from ages 3-15, register for the program this year; and, did they read! 36 of our kids read at least 5 hours, 35 reached the 10 hour level, 26 read at least 15 hours, the 20 hour level was reached by 22, and 18 children read at least 25 hours! **Marissa Lain** read an amazing 100 hours! For her efforts, Marissa won a \$25 gift card plus a popcorn coupon from **Harkins Theatres**. In total, the kids read for 890 hours, an increase of 118 hours from last year. Fantastic! For our top readers we had a Pizza Party at the end of the program! Also, the library ran 6 sessions each of our **Arts & Crafts** activities, **Story Times**, **Family Movies**, and **Game Days**. We also had special performances from **Indiana Bones** and **Ronald McDonald**, entertaining the kids with stories, jokes, and magic. And, we had a fun **Gold Panning** session. The library was very busy; and so were the kids!

We could not have made these amazing programs possible without the support of so many. The library would like to thank the awesome businesses that donated to the Summer Reading Program: **McDonalds** in PV for free ice cream cone coupons; PV's **Freedom Station** for gift cards for their popular rides and activities; **Gifts & Games** in Humboldt for gift certificates; **Jackie Boyz Pizza** in Humboldt for Large Pizza coupons; **Guido's Pizza** in Dewey for pizzas for our Summer Reading Party; the PV **Safeway** for a gift card used to purchase party supplies; and the Prescott **Costco** for cash for supplies and refreshments. Also, we want to thank the individuals that gave of themselves to the program: **Sandra and Earl Goodwin** for buying t-shirts, doing all the work to create our Super Reader t-shirts, and for running to purchase food and supplies for our programming throughout the summer, **Kara McCormick** and **Cindy Franklin** for organizing and running

our Arts & Crafts and Story Time activities; and **Mary Franks, Skip Gladue, Larry Heikkila, and Margo Heikkila** for helping to organize and run the pizza party for our top readers. With much gratitude, the library thanks the board members of **The Friends of the Dewey-Humboldt Town Library** (Sandra Goodwin, Skip Gladue, and Mary Franks) for providing much thought, time, organization, and Friends of the Library funds to make the Summer Reading Program a success! And we give big thank-you's to **Gayle Braun, Margo Heikkila, Lisa Lawler, Fran Soucy, Marilyn Walker, and Sandy Grupp** for helping at the library desk upstairs during our Summer Reading Program. **THANK YOU** to all of you! We couldn't have done it without you!

Now, let's look ahead to the coming activities at the Library!

Every **Thurs from 1 – 5pm**, the Friends of the Library continue their “**featured**” **Book Sale** in the JW Mitchell Room. Each week a new selection of books will be on display. Most hardbacks are \$1.00, paperbacks are \$0.25 (Romance and Westerns only \$0.10 each!), and the larger “Trade” paperbacks start at \$0.50. DVD movies, audio books, and coffee table style books are priced at \$2.00 and up. We have books for kids and teens! All prices are as marked. Also, the **Big Fall Book Sale** will take place **Thurs, Oct 30 – Sat, Nov 1** plus **Thurs, Nov 6 – Sat, Nov 8**. Watch for more details in next month's newsletter article!

Afternoon Games, for ages 7 and up, return on **Wed from 2:30 – 3:45pm**. Kids can come down to play board games or on the Wii on the library's huge 90” movie screen.

US Fans of UK Entertainment, for adults returns on **Sat afternoons at 1pm**. The group's attention is on the brand new season 8 of Doctor Who, starring Peter Capaldi.

The **Book Discussion Group** meets on the **2nd Tues** of each month at **9:30am**. For September the group is reading **The Bean Trees**, by Barbara Kingsolver. We welcome new participants.

The **Dewey-Humboldt IONS** (Institute of the Noetic Sciences) meets on the **1st Tues from 10:30am to 12:30 pm**. This month the group will explore the topic “**A Conversation That Matters: Creating a Future We Want to Live**”. New members and visitors are always welcome!

Your Library is located at 2735 Corral St, Humboldt. Contact us at 632-5049, or visit the library's website: <http://www.yavapailibrary.org/yavapai/deweyhumboldt.asp>.

The Library hours are: Tues, Wed, & Fri: 10am – 5pm (closed for lunch Noon – 12:30pm), Thurs: 12:30 – 7pm, and Sat: 10am – 2pm

Stop in and say “**Hi!**”

West Nile From pg 2	swollen glands, muscle weakness. A small percentage of people infected with West Nile virus (WNV) will experience severe symptoms. Every year people in Arizona die from WNV. Usually, but not always, it hits the very young, elderly, and those with compromised immune systems the hardest. It is important to remember that there are measures each person can take to prevent infection: 1) Eliminate mosquito-breeding sites around your home or business by removing standing water in potted plants, tires, and other containers; 2) When standing water can't be drained or dumped, use safe mosquito larvicides such as “mosquito dunks”, which are commonly available at feed stores and garden centers; 3) Repair window and door screens to keep mosquitoes out of the home; 4) Avoid outdoor exposure between dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active, but keep in mind some mosquito species are daytime biters; 5) When outdoors, wear long sleeves and long pants to prevent mosquito bites; 6) When outdoors, wear a mosquito repellent containing DEET (follow label instructions, especially for use on children). All strengths of DEET will repel mosquitoes, but higher concentrations will last longer; 7) Report problems with standing water by calling Yavapai County Community Health Services at (928) 771-3149.
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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

Sept 2: 1) BOA Variance-Shed; 2) Fireworks Ordinance; 3) Resolution-potential property purchase.

Sept 16: 1) Proclamations-Guard and Reserve Week and Tax Credit Giving Month; 2) Public Safety Quarterly Report.

Council Work Sessions and Special Meetings 2:00pm

Sept 9: 1) ADU Ordinance discussion; 2) Old Black Canyon Maintenance update; 3) Formal Presentation to Council Policy.

P & Z Meetings 6:00pm

Sept 4: 1) Animal Code.

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.

SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS & EVENTS

September 1: Labor Day (Town Offices closed);

September 7: Grandparents Day;

September 19: National POW/MIA Recognition Day;

September 23: Fall begins;

September 25: Rosh Hashanah

Flower: Aster

Birthstone: Sapphire



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 ? Goodies, conversation and fun!

Bingo: Tuesdays, 11 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. Congratulations, again,



Kathy! Also, each week a Door Prize is picked for a Bingo player

Community Cupboard: The Center collects nonperishable food items for local distribution. Thank you all for your continued donations! And Many Thanks to the **Yavapai Classic Cruisers** for their recent donation of over 100 pounds of nonperishable food collected at their August Club meeting.



Food Bank: **Wednesday 9** until 11 or the food is gone.

For more information call 632-0699.

Men's AA: Every Thursday at 7pm.

Thrift Store: Offering a good variety of items and accepting donations (but not electric appliances, clothing, shoes nor 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.

See our fliers around town.

NO BAKE COOKIES

By Martha Duncan
Melt peanut butter and chocolate chips in a sauce pan. Stir in rolled oats. Spoon onto wax paper. Yummy!!



NEW BUSINESSES IN OUR AREA:

The D-H Newsletter does not accept advertising but we do like to announce new businesses. Here are two that are new to our community. Stop in and say hi!

CHERRY PICKINS' VINTAGE FINDS

My name is Nancy Hellum. My daughter and I have a new Antique and Vintage Shop called **Cherry Pickins'** at #7 Humboldt Station (Hwy 69 & Main St—by the Chevron). We are open Fridays and Saturdays, and most Sundays. I have previously had booths at Antique Malls and have sold online as well.

We have a large variety of **Shabby Chic, Western, Romantic Prairie,** and **40s & 50s Kitchy** items.

Like us on Facebook '**Cherry Pickins' Vintage Finds'** for more details and updates.

GROWING MINDS, HEARTS, & ARTS

Four experienced, **AZ Certified Teachers** have come together to form a co-op to supplement the courses of Home School and Virtual Learners. We are now accepting registrations for the Fall Semester: Sept 4th—Dec 12th. Classes are 45 minutes and meet every Thursday. There is a one-time registration fee of \$50 and a monthly class fee of \$40.

There is an additional family member discount of \$10.



Classes Available (subject to change):

- 9 to 9:45 **Dance, Ballet, Jazz**, K-12;
- 10 to 10:45 **Home Ec**, all grades;
- 11 to 11:45 **Writing**, K-5, 6-12;
- 1 to 1:45 **Art** for Beginners, all grades;
- 2 to 2:45 **Photography**, 7-12;
- 3 to 3:45 **Language Arts Tutorial**, all;
- 4 to 4:45 **Science Experiments**, 1-6.

Classes are held at **Sandy's Studio** in Humboldt, **2735 S Hwy 69 #6** (Humboldt Station—by the Chevron Station). (928) 420-0902

OLD WEST DAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

The Dewey Humboldt Historical Society will be hosting another **Old West Day** on **Saturday, Sept 20th**. The day will start at **10am** with a **Parade on Main St**, beginning at **3rd St.** and ending in front of **Town Hall**. There will also be a **Pet Parade at 11am**. So please dress up your pets and join in all the fun on Main Street in Humboldt! There will be music throughout the day with a little country western, and some blue grass from artists such as **Paula Williamson, Side Kicks, Bill Knox, and Yodeling Sweet Heart**. Our special guests will be **Cowboy Poet M.C Don Fernwalt, John Wayne The Duke (Eermal Willamson), Boot Hill Express, Jody Drake, Rough Riders, AZ Rangers, Prospectors, Blacksmith, Buffalo Soldiers of AZ, and the Territory Ladies and Gentleman of the Regiment**. Events through the day will include: **1pm: Boot Race, 1:30: Beard Contest, 2pm: Western Attire Contest, 3pm: Silent Auction Close, 4pm: Closing Ceremonies**. There will be **Food Vendors** and **Western Arts and Crafts**. **Admission Buttons** are available before the event for **\$1.00** at local Dewey-Humboldt businesses and at the Museum. **They will be \$2.00 the day of event**. So gather up your family and friends and come celebrate a day of fun and events! See you there!

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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.

YOU'RE INVITED TO HAVE COFFEE WITH THE TOWN MANAGER

Monday, Sept 8th from 9 to 10am in the Town Manager's Office.



PRESCOTT FARMER'S MARKET

Featuring 60+ vendors with fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, meats, eggs, and locally crafted artisan foods and products—in the Yavapai College east parking lot, Saturdays from 7:30 until Noon through October 25th.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER:

Town Code § 90.02 stipulates:

(A) No dog shall be at large except as provided herein. Dogs shall be confined within a suitable enclosure capable of restraining the animal or otherwise physically restrained to prevent entry of dogs on public or private property other than the owner's, or a leash not to exceed six feet in length and of sufficient strength to control the dog.

(C) It shall be unlawful for an owner or any other person or designated responsible person to maintain a dog having a propensity to excessively bark, howl or otherwise disturb the peace and quiet of any town resident.



Friends of the Library Book Sale, Thursdays 1 to 5, downstairs at the D-H Library.

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