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WISHING YOU A HEALTHY, HAPPY, AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORNER

Town Staff wanted to remind residents that effective January 1, 2014, the recycle bins located in the back of the town hall offices will not be available for use. Please do not leave recyclables and/or other items by the bins.

The newsletter editor, Denise Rogers, who is an advocate for the recycle program, came up with some alternative locations for those who recycle diligently. Please read her article on page 3, *Where can I take my Recyclables now?*, to find the information provided by the Editor.

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT RESIDENTS LEARN NEXT STEPS FOR SUPERFUND CLEAN-UP

Prescott Valley Tribune, by Briana Lonas

Residents of Dewey-Humboldt, at an open house Saturday, learned about the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) remediation efforts for the area's Iron King Mine/Humboldt Smelter Superfund Site - a location declared a Superfund in 2008.

EPA Remedial Project Manager Jeff Dhont presented an overview of the area's historical mining and smelter activities that created large amounts of tailings and slag. Tailings are wastes left over after saleable metals are removed from mined ore. Around 1964, part of the mine's tailings pile collapsed, causing contaminants to flow into the Chaparral Gulch, pass downstream, cross Highway 69 and mix with tailings from the Humboldt Smelter.

Now, Dhont said, investigators will take a closer look at the Area of Potential Site Impact that includes the former Iron

King Mine property, the former Humboldt Smelter operation across Highway 69 and the areas north of Prescott Street, east past the Agua Fria River and south of the smelter property, to name a few.

"We can't make it all go away, but looking at the health impacts, we need to select a remedial action to clean up the site," Dhont said, referring to the contaminants. He further explained that the investigative team must determine just how toxic the site is by looking at the health and exposure risks, and pick a remediation option with the public's input. The team is still in the remedial investigation stage, he said.

In the coming months, residents will notice plenty of digging activity along the site's landscape, specifically sonic bore rigs designed to dig deep into bedrock. Several areas are slated for digs, including where 3rd Street in Humboldt crosses the Chaparral Gulch where visible mine tailings exist. Workers will also dig the Middle Chaparral Gulch, west of the Humboldt smelter and a large tailings depression south of Prescott Street. The team will drill and sample the borings in addition to adding 11 groundwater monitoring wells at depths from 6 to 125 feet.

In addition, the team will collect soil samples in the residential site areas that either did not allow access or were not available in the 2009 study. Dhont said investigators will calculate the sample results using statistics. If a sample tests unusually high for arsenic, for example 500mg/kg, "then we know that something else is going on, but we don't expect to see something that high," Dhont said. The EPA's Low Risk Range for arsenic levels in soil, specific to the Superfund site, is 0 to 145mg/kg.

As to how the contaminated soils may be affecting residents on or near the site, Dhont explained arsenic bioavailability - the percentage of arsenic that remains in the body after ingestion. The area's residential bioavailability

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D-H HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXCURSION, JANUARY 11

You're invited to join the group to visit various mines in the area between Cleator and Bumble Bee.

Bring your lunch, some water, and a flash light, and wear good hiking boots and dress appropriately for the weather.



Meet at the D-H Museum at 7:30am. The group will carpool from there.

SUPERFUND—continued has been analyzed at 20 percent, but is not locked in. Investigators will study exposure and risk for each location within the site.

"We're going to make sure we're right about that. The highest we think is 60 percent," Dhont said.

The team then will conduct a feasibility study and make the proposed remediation plan public.

"The 2009 Remedial Investigation report did not answer all of the questions we needed. We are amending it," Dhont said. "The new report should be available this summer."

Clean-up will be similar to past efforts and already the EPA has removed nearly two feet of topsoil from a dozen yards on Sweet Pea Lane and East Main Street, where higher levels of arsenic and lead existed. Workers moved more than 7,000 tons of soil to the old Iron King Mine site, planted native seeds to stabilize the tailings, and applied soil fixative to ash piles at the defunct Humboldt Smelter site to reduce dust.

"Most of the Superfund work we are looking at is much lower than acute toxic levels that would immediately make you sick," he said.

Representatives from the Arizona Department of Health Services and the [University of Arizona](#) Superfund Research Program spoke about exposure at the site, for example skin contact with soils; ingestion, such as when children don't wash their hands or home-grown vegetables are washed improperly or by inhaling dust; and drinking water that tests high in arsenic or lead.

In the recent Metals Exposure Study in Homes (MESH) several nearby residences were tested and volunteers submitted blood, urine and toenail samples. Researchers also tested soil and tap water samples. Researchers found a wide variation in levels, said Miranda Loh, a representative of UA Superfund Research. Physical sample results were low - only 1 household in the MESH study tested over 15ppb in lead and the well water tested for arsenic was either at or above safe drinking levels, she said.

Representatives urged private well users to test their water once every three years to determine chemical levels, and once a year for bacteria. For residents

on the Humboldt Water System, the next lead compliance monitoring study is due Sept. 2014, to check chemical levels in the drinking water.

Important contact information:

EPA Remedial Project Manager - Jeff Dhont: 415-972-3020

Community Involvement Coordinator - Amanda Pease: 800-231-3075

ADEQ Community Involvement Lead Remedial Projects Section - Wendy Flood: 800-234-5677.

For help understanding well water test results, call Jennifer Botsford with the Arizona Department of Health Services: 602-364-3128.

For information on groundwater wells and water treatment systems call ADEQ: 602-771-4641, or Humboldt Water System: 800-315-5333.

For property access permission from the EPA research team (Consent for Access to Real Property), call EPA or Amanda Pease at 800-231-3075.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

PARAMEDIC OF THE YEAR

The VFW recently named Humboldt resident, Mark Leyboldt, Paramedic of the Year. Mark has been a Firefighter with the Central Yavapai Fire Department for 32 years and a Paramedic since 1988. He'll be retiring in 6 months.



WHERE CAN I TAKE MY RECYCLABLES NOW?

By Denise Rogers, Editor

Effective January 1, 2014, the Town will no longer provide dumpsters for our recyclable materials.

Although there is no place *nearby* that accepts ALL the materials that were allowed in the recycling dumpsters at Town Hall (newspapers, catalogs, paper, plastics, cardboard, tin & aluminum cans), there are some in

the area that take limited items, and a few that will even PAY YOU for some items!

The Lions Clubs have cage-like trailers for the collection of **newspapers** just across the wash on Durham Rd. in the mobile home area of the Prescott Country Club, and in Prescott Valley, west of Navajo on Bob St.—near the fire department.

Just a little way out Fain Rd., in the industrial area off Sara Jane



Lane to the east, are two companies that will **PAY YOU** for **aluminum and**

tin cans (they must be separated), as well as **other metals, batteries, appliances, vehicles, and radiators.**

And Target accepts **all kinds of recyclables**—even **glass**, both inside the store by the customer service area in front, if you just have a small amount, or in the **appropriate** dumpsters around back, if you have a larger amount.

There's a possibility that recycling in some form may return to D-H. The Town Manager and at least one councilperson have some ideas, and are looking into some options.

Please don't give up on recycling! Try some of the places I mentioned, and let me know—and I'll let you know—of any others.

If you would like to tell the Council you want the service back, please come to Council meetings.

MORE THANKS!

Evie and Jack, from **Antiques and More**, would like to thank everyone for their donations to the Christmas Toy Drive, Non-



Perishable Food Drive, and Blankets for the Humane Society!



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January 2014 Calendar of Events:

- Jan 1: New Year's Day**
- Jan 4: Annual Open House at Department Headquarters: 4701 N. 19th Ave., Phoenix. Noon to 5pm. Bring your favorite dish to share!**
- Jan 5: 40 & 8 Meeting: 1pm**
- Jan 6: Posse meets at 5:30pm**
- Jan 8: Monthly Meetings: Post Officer Meeting 4pm/Post Regular Meeting 4:30pm/Auxiliary 5:30pm**
- Jan 16: Veteran's Luncheon at Post 78—11am**
- Jan 23: S.A.L. meeting 4pm**
- Jan 27: Auxilliary E-Board Meeting 1pm**

Upcoming Events:

- District 8 Meeting in Black Canyon, February 1, 2014**
- Super Bowl Chili Cook Off, 1pm, February 2, 2014**
- Sunday's: Wings & Football, Noon to 4**
- Monday's: Pool Tournament 4:30 p.m.**
- Wednesday's: Hamburgers at Noon, and Trivia at 5pm**
- Friday Fish Fry: 5pm to 7pm – Public Welcome! (Cod, Catfish, Shrimp plus Chef's Special) \$9.00 per person**
- Fish Fry Music for January: 3 – TBA; 10-.Sidekicks; 17 - TBA; 24—Karman & Co.**
- VETAN'S CRISIS LINE: 800-273-8255—press #1**
- Disability 100% Permanent & Total? Contact Joe Francis, our Service Officer at Post 78, with any questions!**

HOT SHOT'S GOLF TOURNAMENT

You are invited to participate in and provide support for the upcoming "Annual Hot Shot's Charitable Golf Tournament" on **May 10th** at the **Prescott Golf and Country Club**.



Some of the event activities will include putting on contests for the kids, a mini petting zoo, bouncy houses, barbecue, and Smoky the Bear.

Please join us for our planning meeting on **January 7th, 6:30 p.m.** at the **Mayer Fire Station**.

For more info. hotshotscharit-golf@yahoo.com.

D-H MUSEUM

The First Anniversary of the D-H Museum was celebrated on December 14th with coffee, cider & lots of goodies. Many visitors stopped in with congratulations and to see the new displays. There was even a visit from Santa!

The Historical Society would like to thank everyone who supported the Museum events and activities this past year.

D-H THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE SUCCESS

By Betty Comfort

Dewey-Humboldt area Food Bank participants enjoyed added turkeys and other traditional Thanksgiving foods thanks to the planning, coordination, and cooperation of the Dewey-Humboldt Activity Center, Life Point Church, and New Life Baptist Church volunteers and members.

The work was begun in early November by Margaret Roberts, D-H Activity Center's Food Bank Coordinator, Peggy & JW Mitchell, the Activity Center's Managers, Life Point's Organizer, Dale Fry, and New Life's

Pastor, Parry Dalzell. THANK YOU ALL!

Some frozen turkeys came from the Yavapai Food Bank with the regular Food Bank Day food, but many individuals in the community donated frozen turkeys and other foods, and volunteered their time. A BIG THANK YOU goes to Parry Dalzell, Dale Fry, Becky & Wayne Gilbertson, Buzz & Patty Fournier, Yvonne Kimball, Mr. & Mrs. Poppek, and an anonymous donor.

Most of the turkeys were delivered to homes with the traditional Thanksgiving foods by the members of the two churches mentioned above.



More BIG THANK YOUS go to the many volunteers

who helped pick up food and pack food boxes: Alex Mancha, Mary Klooppel, Roger & Carolyn Wyckoff, Cheri Brandjes, Sue Sanders, Carol Ray, Liz Clark, Cheryl Snyder, Liz Erway, Bill Brasher, Kathy Sankot, and Ulys Brooks. (*Pardon us if your name was not mentioned!*)

A BIG THANKS also goes to Antiques & More (Evie & Jack) on Main St., Humboldt, for their food box collecting of nonperishable foods for the Activity Center's Community Cupboard, and children's toy collection box.

Thank you ALL so much for giving your time and effort helping others to have a Happy Thanksgiving!

THANK YOU!

By Marilyn Lee

The residents of **The Old Wagon Wheel RV Park** would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to the community, K.S, and C.B. for the delicious Thanksgiving turkey dinners.

We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful community.

LIBRARY NEWS

By Jeff Franklin

All of us at the library want to thank you for your patronage over these past six years and also want to wish all of you a very happy and prosperous 2014! Your Dewey-Humboldt Town Library is the place to be this January (and throughout the new year) to find a good book or entertaining movie, to use a helpful computer, or to take part in a fun activity or program! Find out what your library can do for you!

Thurs. (Jan 9, 16, 23, and 30), 1:00 – 5:00pm, the **Friends of the Library** group is continuing their “featured” Book Sale, downstairs in the JW Mitchell Room. Each week a new selection of books will be on display for purchase. Most hardback books are \$1.00, most paperbacks are \$0.25 (Romance and Western paperbacks are only \$0.10 each!), with the larger “trade” paperbacks starting at \$0.50 per book. DVD movies, audio books, and coffee table style books are priced at \$2.00 or more. We have kids and teen books too! All prices are as marked. Come back each Thursday to find new items to add to your personal collection!

Attention families and children! The third Sat. of each month is Family Fun Day at the library! The library has back-to-back activities for kids and their parents! The date to mark on your calendars is Sat., Jan. 18th. Our theme this month is Winter Fun. Sign up your kids today!

The first activity for the day is Story Time, for children Preschool through 2nd grade and their moms and dads! Mrs. Franklin will be here to read and entertain with some great winter stories from 10:00 – 10:45 am. Parents, please stay with your children during this activity.

Next up, from 11:00 – 11:45 am, we will have fun Arts & Crafts for kids 2nd grade – 5th grade. Ms. Kara will have some innovative and fun winter crafts, art projects, and more!

For young adults 5th grade and

up, the library will have new games and puzzles to be picked up each week. Solve the puzzles or games, return them to the library, and receive prizes for your efforts. The more puzzles and games that you complete, the more prizes you will win! If you need hints or tips with the puzzles and games, come in on Sat. from 10am – 2pm for assistance from Ms. Lisa.

The Dewey-Humboldt IONS (Institute of the Noetic Sciences) will meet on Tues., Jan. 7: 10:30am – 12:30 pm. This month the group will continue the DVD series on *The Meaning of Life*. Lively and friendly discussion will ensue after each DVD section. Refreshments will be provided and new members and visitors are always welcome!

The library’s Book Discussion Group will host local author and radio personality Sandy Moss at their monthly meeting on Tues., Jan. 14: 9:30 – 11:00am. Ms. Moss will discuss her recent new book, *The Terrible Loyalty*, which is a true story of two men, life-long friends, who embark on an extraordinary trip from southern California to Hilo, Hawaii in a 20 foot sailboat. Ms. Moss will have a large model of the sailboat on display. She will also sell copies of her book, do a book signing, and participate in a Q&A session with the audience. The public is welcome to this free event! Refreshments will be provided.

The library has a new weekly activity for adults, US Fans of UK Entertainment, on Sat. afternoons at 2:00 pm, on Jan. 4, 11, 18, and 25. The group will enjoy, share, and discuss British television, movies, and books. This month we will continue our examination of one of Britain’s most famous and longest running television shows, *Doctor Who*. The group will view and discuss recent episodes from series 6 of the popular show. For more information stop in or call 632-5049.

Afternoon Games, for ages 7 and up, will be held on Wed. (Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29) at 2:30 – 3:45pm. Kids can come down to play board games including Battleship, Connect 4, Chess,

Checkers, Candy Land, Sorry!, Monopoly Jr., Scrabble, Dominoes, Parcheesi, Clue, and more! Also, we’ll have the Wii out to play on the library’s huge 90” movie screen. Come and play Super Mario Bros., Wii Sports Resort, Mario Karts, Just Dance 3, Mario and Sonic at the Winter Olympic Games, or Mario Sports Mix. Also, bring your Wii games from home to play against other players!

Computer classes are starting up again! On Wed., Jan. 15th: 10:00am – Noon, the library will offer a special class on borrowing e-books for an e-reader or tablet using the library’s OverDrive service. Signup is required for this class.

The library will also offer Computer Basics 101, a two-part class, which will instruct students on basic concepts of using a computer, offer practice in using the keyboard and the mouse, and teach basic computer terminology. The class will be offered on Tues., Jan. 21 (part 1) and 28 (part 2): 1:00 – 3:00pm, Wed., Jan. 22 (part 1) and 29 (part 2): 10:00am – Noon, and Thurs., Jan. 23 (part 1) and 30 (part 2): 5:00 – 7:00pm. Pick the day of the week you would like to attend and come for both classes on that day. Signup is required. Call 632-5049 or stop in to register.

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 632-5049. Also, don’t forget that you can visit the library’s website to find out the dates and times for all the library’s activities and to search for and place holds on library items at: <http://www.yavapailibrary.org/yavapai/deweyhumboldt.asp>.

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

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

Jan 7: 1) Appointment of new Vice-Mayor; 2) Town Manager Evaluation; 3) Railroad right-of-way.

Jan 21: 1) TBD

Council Work Sessions and Special Meetings 2:00pm

Jan 14: 1) Discussion on D-H building Inspection Service, History and Options.

P & Z Meetings 6:00pm

Jan 9: 1) Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair; 2) Open Meeting Law refresher; 3) Transient Merchant; 4) 2014 meeting and holiday schedule.

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.

Do you have **QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FOR COUNCIL OR STAFF?** Submit them in person at Town Hall or by email to newsletter@dhaz.gov with Questions & Comments in the subject line.

Videos of Town Council, P & Z, and Ad Hoc Committee Meetings are available at dhaz.gov.

Volunteers are needed for Town Committees and Commissions! If you are interested in Planning & Zoning, Environmental or Water issues, would like to help with Clean Town activities, or serve on the Board of Adjustments, please contact Town Hall for info on how to volunteer at 632-7362.

ACTIVITY CENTER

Tuesday through Friday 10 to 2,
(closed if weather is bad)
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.

Bingo: Tuesdays, 11 to noon. Bring a \$2 prize (can include non-perishable foods). Player with the highest number of wins each month wins lunch for two at a local area restaurant. Congratulations to Joan, again, for the most 4 week wins!

Coffee Time: Tuesdays, 10am to ? Goodies, conversation and fun!

Community Cupboard: The Center collects nonperishable food items for local distribution. Thank you for your donations!

Food Bank: Wednesday 9 until 11 or the food is gone. For more information call 632-0699.

Men's AA: Every Thursday, 7pm.

Thrift Store: A good variety of items are on hand. (Accepting donations but, please, no electric appliances, clothing or shoes).

We also help with Medicare Assistance, Legal Advocacy, DES, AHCCS, food stamps, Neighbor to Neighbor, utility bill discounts, and Health, Safety and Welfare Info. See our fliers posted around Town.

HOLIDAYS IN JANUARY

Town hall will be closed for the following holidays in the month of January:

- ◆ New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1st
- ◆ Martin Luther King Day, Monday, January 20th.

IN MEMORY

Mabel Louise Batt

Gone But Not Forgotten

EDITOR'S PICKS

SIMPLE THINGS YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT THE EARTH:

From the World Wildlife Fund and The Center for Biological Diversity

- 1) Put on a sweater. Turn down the heat;
- 2) Put one foot in front of the other. Drive less;
- 3) Use things more than once, recycle;
- 4) Dispose of hazardous things (oil, batteries, light bulbs) properly;
- 5) Paper *nor* plastic. Take reusable bags when you shop;
- 6) Get a reusable water bottle;
- 7) Keep rooms dark when not in use;
- 8) Plant a tree;
- 9) Cancel catalogs you don't buy from;
- 10) Buy less;
- 11) Eat less meat.

US NATIONAL DEBT

As of Dec. 13, 2013, at 7:17am GMT the Outstanding Public Debt is \$17,226,123,680,697.44. (That's 17 trillion, 226 billion, 123 million, 680 thousand, 697dollars and 44 cents!)

With the US population estimated at 317,230,066, that's \$54,301.67 EACH for every person in the United States.

PERSON, PLACE, OR THING? *What am I?*

- I Love NY...
- Until 1904 "Longacre" was my name...
- I'm known for my theatrical nature...
- ...and now I'm smoke-free!
- One of my nicknames is "Crossroads of the World",
- Many people see me daily on *Good Morning America*;
- I get 500,000 visitors a day,
- ...and on my biggest night, more than a million,
- I host the most famous New Year's Eve Party on the planet.

ANSWER: I am Times Square.

MEXICAN CORN BREAD

From Jane Brody's Good Food Book

- 1 cup yellow corn meal
- ¾ cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 egg white
- 2 eggs
- 17-oz can cream-style corn
- 1 cup buttermilk (or 2 Tbsp vinegar or lemon juice with 1 cup milk)
- 2 Tbsp butter, melted and cooled
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
- ¼ cup or 4-oz can seeded & chopped jalapenos or green chilies



Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Combining the dry ingredients in a large bowl. In a smaller bowl, lightly beat the egg white and whole eggs and combine them with the corn, buttermilk, butter, cheese and peppers. Stir this mixture into the dry ingredients until just combined. Grease a 9-inch baking pan and heat for several minutes in the oven. Remove the pan from the oven and pour the batter into it. Return the pan to the oven and bake for about 25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center of the bread comes out clean.

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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** online at: newsletter@dhaz.gov or in person at Town Hall.

YOU'RE INVITED TO HAVE COFFEE WITH THE TOWN MANAGER

Monday, Jan. 6th from 9 to 10am in the Town Manager's Office.



VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR TOWN COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS!

To help with **Planning & Zoning, Environmental or Water Issues, Clean Town Activities, or Open Space & Trails Planning**, please contact Town Hall at 632-7362.

WINTER FARMERS MARKET AT PRESCOTT COLLEGE

Fresh fruit and vegetables, baked goods, grass-fed beef, food booths, and product tents will be featured every Saturday from 10 until 2 through April 26 at Prescott College, 220 Grove Ave., Prescott.

WELL WATER ARSENIC TEST KIT

U of A Cooperative Extension Services offers water test kits for \$32. You may order by phone (445-6590) or pick one up at 840 Rodeo Dr. #C in Prescott.

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