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# THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT NEWSLETTER

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## NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

### EPA UPDATE

Residential soil sampling continues in Dewey-Humboldt, Arizona. If you received a letter to request permission to sample soil at your property there is still time to submit the form. Please mail it to the return address in the letter or [submit the form online](#).

#### **Soil Sampling Results Update:**

During the quality assurance process EPA conducts to ensure laboratory methods, procedures and results are accurate and precise, EPA identified some concerns with the analysis and results. This has caused unforeseen delays as we have been working diligently to solve the issues we identified. We are re-analyzing soil samples using a different analytical procedure to ensure the sampling data we provide residents is accurate. Individual property owners have been notified.

We are moving as quickly as possible to provide data of the highest quality that is reliable for making cleanup decisions. We appreciate your patience as we carry out our mission to protect your health and the environment and apologize for any inconvenience caused by our delay.

#### **For questions about soil sampling efforts, please contact:**

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#### **Useful Links:**

Soil sampling access form: [cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0905049](http://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0905049)

EPA's Iron King Mine Humboldt-Smelter Superfund Site Main Profile: [semsub.epa.gov/work/09/100036653.pdf](http://semsub.epa.gov/work/09/100036653.pdf)

EPA Public Interim Website - Iron King Mine - Humboldt Smelter: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/c37b8129bf304fa0ad034d3ebf2a4626>

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Iron King Mine Website: [azdeq.gov/superfund/IronKingMine](http://azdeq.gov/superfund/IronKingMine)

Community Guide to the Superfund Program: <https://semsub.epa.gov/work/HQ/175197.pdf>

Community Guide to Excavation of Contaminated Waste: <https://semsub.epa.gov/work/HQ/401591.pdf>

### IMPORTANT GENERAL ELECTION DATES

Last Day to Register / Updates Information to Vote: Monday, October 7, 2024

Early Voting Begins & Active Early Voting List Ballots Mailed: Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Last Day to Request a Mail-In Ballot: Tuesday, October 29, 2024

Last Day to Mail ballots through USPS to arrive on time: Tuesday, October 29, 2024

Last Day to vote early in person: Friday, November 1, 2024

General Election Day: Vote Centers open 6AM to 7PM - Tuesday, November 5, 2024

There's a secure Ballot Box across the parking lot at Town Hall. The local voting center is the Gateway Baptist Church.

### DEWEY-HUMBOLDT FALL CLEAN UP DAYS (DUMP DAYS) are here for DEWEY-HUMBOLDT RESIDENTS ONLY!

Dump days will be held starting, **Monday, September 30th, and continuing through Thursday, October 3rd.** The Town will be accepting discarded items at the approved clean up locations. Hours of operation will be from 7:00a.m. - 5:00 p.m. There will be two locations, the **Town lot at 12938 E. Main St. and the Maintenance Yard at S. Azurite and E. Third St.**

Please call Town Hall at (928) 632-7362 if you have any questions on allowable items.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

## THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT NEWSLETTER

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**BE YOUR OWN HERO!**

For Dewey-Humboldt residents, home insurance will likely continue to be costlier and harder to get.

Dewey-Humboldt, Arizona Insurance companies, of which there are about 100 serving Arizona, are for profit businesses and they constantly look at their bottom line. In the last several years, the cost of repairing or replacing a home has gone up dramatically and nationally the number of fire-damaged or destroyed homes has also significantly increased. The more insurance companies must pay out, the more their customers must pay in. What you do to your property will certainly impact your insurance costs, but what our community does affects us at least as much.

There are four really big community influencers of insurance rates.

1. Whether or not the community is within a wildland/urban interface (WUI - residences in or adjacent to natural (in this case, wildfire prone) vegetation). We are.
2. The fire district's Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating. On a scale of 1-10, with 10 being worst, CAFMA's current ISO is 4, but only for those properties within 5 road miles of the closest fire station (Station 54 on Hwy 169) **and** within 1,000 feet of a water source that can be used to fight a fire (Note: consideration is given to CAFMA for dispatching a water tender to each home fire). For those properties that don't meet **both** of those conditions, the rating is 10, and that's a lot of us.
3. How the community's codes do or do not embrace wildfire safety. For WUI communities, the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions (DIFI) suggests adoption of WUI Building Codes because, to the insurance companies, that reflects a community more resilient to wildfires.
4. Whether the community has and embraces an active Firewise Site. For some insurance companies, being within an active Firewise Site is an automatic rate reduction, and all of Dewey-Humboldt is within the Dewey-Humboldt Firewise Site. Make sure your insurance company is aware of that.

Insurance affordability and availability is becoming a big deal. The new, higher rates will directly impact how much of a home one can afford and failure to have home insurance may prevent one from having a mortgaged loan. If you find yourself with a new home insurance rate you cannot (or do not want to) afford, or on a non-renewal list, please reach out to DIFI at email [insurance.consumers@difi.az.gov](mailto:insurance.consumers@difi.az.gov) or <https://difi.az.gov/home-insurance> for the current flyer of "Homeowners Insurance Companies- Forested Areas" which lists companies who **may be** willing to work with homeowners in our community.

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT:** On Tuesday Oct 15, 2024 @ 6pm, we're having a Community Meeting at the Kate Garber Memorial Community Center (13000 E Prescott St - next to the Town Library) with the main discussion being Home Fire Safety Essentials.

**What's Happening****Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society Meeting Invitation**

**Join us on October 9th for a presentation by Rough Rider Rusty Buchanan!**

Rusty's in-depth knowledge of the Rough Riders' early days will leave you understanding their profound impact on American history.

**Meetings & Backcountry Explorations**

In addition to our monthly meetings, the Society organizes off-the-beaten-path adventures to historical sites like old mining camps, abandoned mines, Native American ruins, and forgotten settlements. These locations are often accessible only by off-road vehicles, making the journey an exciting part of the experience.

**Interested in Exploring History Firsthand?**

If you have a capable four-wheel-drive vehicle and are interested in these explorations, contact trip leader David Nystrom via email at [TheDesertRat@mac.com](mailto:TheDesertRat@mac.com) for details and requirements.

**General Meetings**

The Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society holds general meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30 PM at the historic Agua Fria Church at the end of 2nd Street in Old Humboldt. These meetings are open to the public.

Website: [www.DHHSMuseum.org](http://www.DHHSMuseum.org)

**The Prescott Arizona Rough Riders  
American Patriotism and Heroism**

The Prescott Arizona Rough Riders were a volunteer cavalry regiment that fought in the Spanish-American War. They were recruited in Prescott, Arizona, by William "Buckey" O'Neill, a former sheriff and mayor of the city.

The Rough Riders were composed of cowboys, miners, and other frontiersmen, and they were known for their rugged individualism and bravery.

The Rough Riders fought in the Battle of San Juan Hill in Cuba, where they distinguished themselves by their courage and determination. They also fought in the Battle of Kettle Hill, where O'Neill was killed.

The Rough Riders were eventually disbanded after the war. They remain a symbol of American patriotism and heroism.

Town of  
Dewey - Humboldt

# TRUNK OR TREAT

TRICK - OR - TREAT  
COMMUNITY FUN  
FUN HALLOWEEN  
DECORATIONS

DEWEY - HUMBOLDT TOWN HALL  
FREE ADMISSION

26th October, 2024 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM  
2735 S Hwy 69, Suite 12 Humboldt, AZ

[www.dhaz.gov](http://www.dhaz.gov)  
To Reserve a Space  
Call Jeremiah 928 - 499 - 4850

# Volunteers Needed


Humboldt  
Community Smoke  
Alarm Walk

**abf**  
Prevent.  
Survive.  
Thrive.

**Saturday,**  
October 5, 2024  
8am - 12pm

The Arizona Burn Foundation has partnered with Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority and the Red Cross to **install no cost smoke alarms** in high-risk neighborhoods!

All necessary tools and training will be provided, along with free breakfast. Feel free to bring your family and friends with you to volunteer - all ages are welcome! The more people we have, the more homes we can reach! Email [programs@azburn.org](mailto:programs@azburn.org) with any questions.

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602-230-2041 | [programs@azburn.org](mailto:programs@azburn.org) | [azburn.org](http://azburn.org)



DEWEY-HUMBOLDT PRESENTS

# *Christmas* LIGHT PARADE & 20th Anniversary of DHAZ

DECORATE YOUR VEHICLE AND JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON

DECEMBER

SATURDAY | **21** | 6:30 pm

For Info Contact: Jeremiah 928-499-4850

TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT

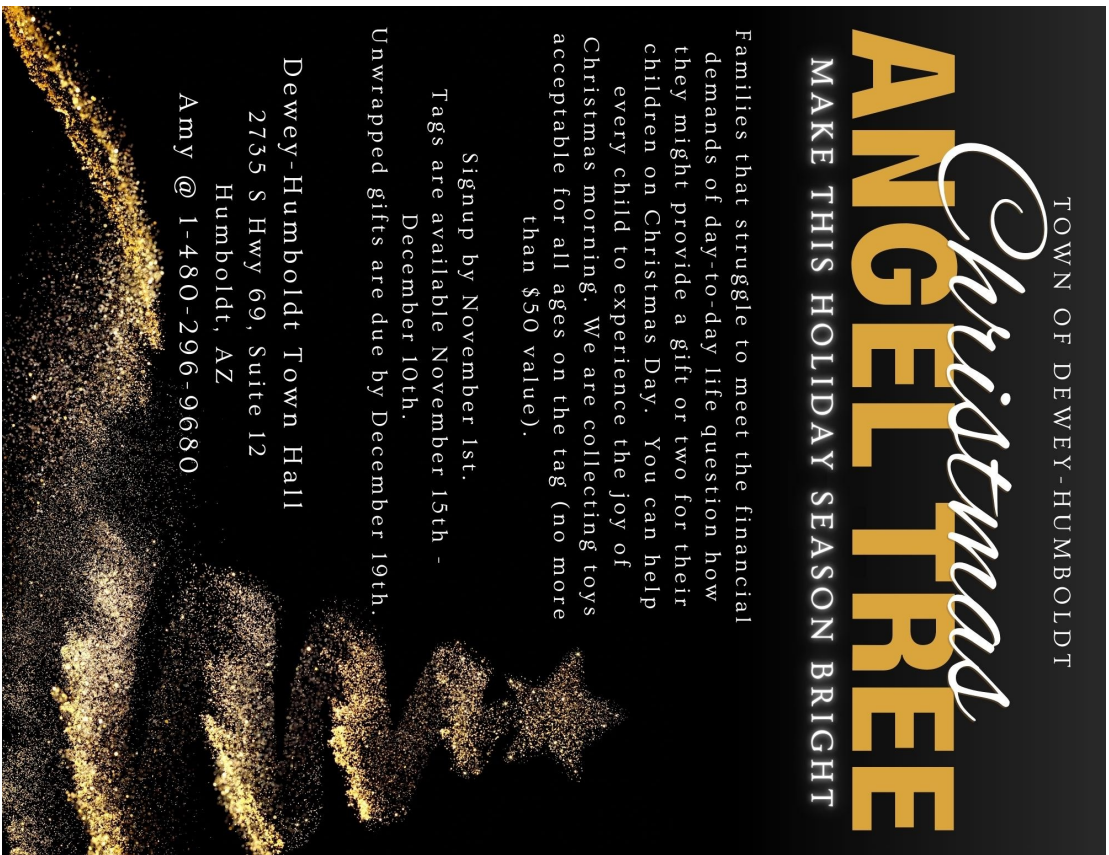
# *Christmas* ANGEL TREE

MAKE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON BRIGHT

Families that struggle to meet the financial demands of day-to-day life question how they might provide a gift or two for their children on Christmas Day. You can help every child to experience the joy of Christmas morning. We are collecting toys acceptable for all ages on the tag (no more than \$50 value).

Signup by November 1st.  
Tags are available November 15th - December 10th.  
Unwrapped gifts are due by December 19th.

Dewey-Humboldt Town Hall  
2735 S Hwy 69, Suite 12  
Humboldt, AZ  
Amy @ 1-480-296-9680



**MEETING DATES**

Town Council Chambers  
2735 S. Hwy. 69, Humboldt  
(unless otherwise posted)

Find the full agenda packets for upcoming meetings, as well as, packets and minutes for previous meetings online at [Town Meeting Documents and Videos | Dewey-Humboldt, AZ \(dhaz.gov\)](http://Town Meeting Documents and Videos | Dewey-Humboldt, AZ (dhaz.gov))

**Regular Council Meetings @ 6:30 p.m.**

- October 1, 2024
- October 15, 2024

**Planning & Zoning Meeting @ 6:00p.m.**

- October 3, 2024

**Council Study Session @ 6:30 p.m.**

- October 8, 2024

**Board of Adjustment @ 9:00 a.m.**

- October 22, 2024

Meetings are held via Granicus. Comments can be given at the meeting or can be submitted to [BethEvans@dhaz.gov](mailto:BethEvans@dhaz.gov), no later than 3:30 p.m., on the day of meeting. Please identify agenda item and your full name.

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

**Holiday Craft Show at the Center  
Call for Applicants**



It's that wonderful time of year and we are looking for a few great crafters who want to sell their wares at the first annual "Holiday Crafts at the Center." If you are interested in reserving a table, please send an e-mail to [DHCommunityAction@gmail.com](mailto:DHCommunityAction@gmail.com) and request an application or contact Terre Schroder at 360-951-1618

**When:** Nov 15-16

10 am - 2 pm

**Where:** Kate Garber Activity Center  
Dewey-Humboldt

**Table Rental:** \$10/Day/3'x6' table



**PERMITS ISSUED**

Building Department  
issued permits  
August 2024:

Zoning	5
Manufactured Home	1
Grading	2
Electric	3
Single Family Residence	1
Solar	2
Change in Use	1
Lot Line Adjustment	1
Other Building	2
<b>Total:</b>	<b>18</b>

**KATE GARBER ACTIVITY CENTER  
NEWS**

The long-awaited food bags have started! Every Tuesday between noon and 2PM, the Prescott Community Cupboard is offering free 11lb food bags to Dewey-Humboldt residents. Bring your ID.



FREE FOOD BAG  
TUESDAYS



FREE BREAD  
THURSDAYS



**COATS FOR YOU!**

Join us at the Center on Thursday, October 10 from noon - 2 pm for a Winter Coat Giveaway. Come see what we have and let us know what you need.



The Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) will be putting on a seminar for seniors in November. Watch for more information in the coming months.

Symposium in Dementia, Alzheimer, and End of Life TBA in November.

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**ST. MARY'S FOOD BANK FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 10/17/24 from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM on Main Street**

**DEWEY-HUMBOLDT  
MAGISTRATE COURT**

The Dewey-Humboldt Magistrate Court is open Tuesday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and closed for lunch from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Payments may be deposited in the receptacle on the southwest corner of our parking lot, outside of Suite 15. Credit card payments can be made inside Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. If the Court Clerk is not here, you will need to know your case number and the amount due in order to make a credit card payment.

**In Memoriam**

Glen Blomgren, previous staff member, councilmember, and business owner in the Town of Dewey-Humboldt passed away on September 17, 2024. He will be missed.

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# LIBRARY NEWS

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2735 Corral St. Humboldt, AZ 86329 Phone: 928-632-5049

**Hours:**  
**Monday—**  
**Thursday**  
**8:30 AM**  
**to 6:00 PM**

## OCTOBER LIBRARY PROGRAMS

### **Creative Writing Workshops**

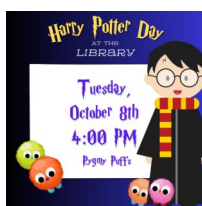
**October 10th & 24th**

4 PM - 5:30 PM

### **Pygmy Puffs**

**October 8th**

4 PM - 5:30 PM



### **Hack that Painting (Halloween edition)**

**October 29th**

4 PM - 5:30 PM



Meet our  
Writer in Residence!

**Zarah Sandall**

@ Dewey-Humboldt  
Town Library

**September - November 2024**

She will be spending time  
at our library offering educational work-  
shops and one-on-one  
consultations to patrons that would like  
coaching with creative writing.

Call the library to reserve your time!

## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

### **Mondays:**

Friends of the Library - <i>Weekly book sale</i>	11 AM - 3 PM
Monday Night Art - <i>Art activities for all ages</i>	4 PM - 6 PM

### **Tuesdays:**

Tai Chi for Beginners	10 AM - 11 AM
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### **Wednesdays:**

Writing Consultations - <i>In-person or virtual</i>	10 AM - 12 PM
Wonder Wednesday - <i>STEM activities for kids</i>	1 PM - 5 PM
Creative Minds Club - <i>After-school club</i>	3 PM - 5 PM

### **Thursdays:**

Intro to Qigong - <i>Tai Chi is a form of Qigong</i>	10 AM - 11 AM
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### **Fridays:**

Writing Consultations - <i>Virtual only</i>	10 AM - 12:45 PM
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### **More than just books...**

Did you know that your local library has several services for its patrons?

- ⇒ Free Notary Services
- ⇒ Print, Copy, & Scanning Services
- ⇒ Free Wi-Fi Hotspot Checkout
- ⇒ Free Computer Access
- ⇒ Free Online Learning Databases
- ⇒ Free Access to *Consumer Reports*
- ⇒ County Wide Event Calendar

[www.Yavapai.Events](http://www.Yavapai.Events)



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## **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY**

### **Weekly Book Sales**

Mondays 11 AM - 3 PM

### **Book Club**

Oct 14th, 2 PM - 3 PM

*Accepting book donations Mondays - Like-new and good condition books accepted - 3 boxes maximum.*

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