



Town of Dewey-Humboldt  
 2735 S Hwy 69  
 PO Box 69  
 Humboldt, AZ 86329  
[www.dhaz.gov](http://www.dhaz.gov)  
 (928) 632-7362 (phone)  
 Open Mon-Thurs 8am-6pm

# THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT NEWSLETTER

Vol. 20 Issue 6  
 June 2025



*Flag Day June 14th*  
*Father's Day June 15th*

## GENERAL PLAN HEARING

The first hearing for the **General Plan** adoption will be at the June 5th Planning and Zoning Meeting at 6pm in Council Chambers.

## Were you surprised to find the river crossing closed?

To receive email updates and notices of Town Meetings, Notices, and Events please call the Town Office at (928) 632-7362 and ask to be added to the list.

Updates on the progress of the repairs and notice of the reopening will be posted on the website as well



## 2024 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Everyday Dewey - Humboldt volunteers generously give their time and service to help others. Now here is your chance to give back by nominating a deserving individual for his/her outstanding service through the Town's Volunteer of the Year program.

**Who is eligible?:** The nomination is open to all Dewey-Humboldt residents who have volunteered in 2024. Nominees need to have been volunteers as individuals or for organizations that directly benefit the citizens of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt.

**Nomination Process:** The process is simple. State the Nominee's name, what work has been done as a volunteer and/or the volunteer organization where the Nominee volunteered. Briefly describe why you believe the individual should be nominated, such as how his/her efforts volunteering in the specific organization have made a profound difference in citizens' lives. Each Nominee should be submitted on a separate form. Only one nomination per submission please. Nominations can be delivered to Town Hall via in person, U.S.P.S., or emailed to [bethevans@dhaz.gov](mailto:bethevans@dhaz.gov). **The deadline for submissions is Monday, June 30, 2025 at 6:00 pm.**

**Honoree Selection:** The Town Manager appoints a Citizen Committee to review the Nominees and make recommendations to the Town Council, who then decides whether to accept the recommendation. The Citizen Committee shall be comprised of a diverse group of individuals/organizations who are involved in the community. Members do not have to be a Dewey-Humboldt resident. Mayor Matthew Fenn will be the Council's liaison with the Citizen Committee and will serve on the committee as an arbitrator only. Nominees will be judged on the outstanding service performed/donated by the nominee to the citizens of Dewey-Humboldt. This includes the amount of time and effort spent by the nominee; whether the nominee was nominated for more than one service; and, whether the nominee was nominated by more than one person for their service.

**Recognition:** The Honoree of the "Volunteer of the Year" Award, along with all that have been nominated, will be recognized by the Town Council at an upcoming Town Council meeting where they will be awarded certificates of appreciation. Nominees' guests and other dignitaries will be able to express their appreciation for the Nominee. The Volunteer of the Year plaque will be updated with the Honoree's name and date. This plaque is displayed in Town Hall. This is a wonderful way for the Town to express its sincere appreciation for our volunteers and a great opportunity for volunteers to inspire others through their stories.



## MOUNTAIN VALLEY SPLASH IS OPEN FOR THE 2025 SUMMER SEASON!

Prescott Valley's outdoor aquatic facility, Mountain Valley Splash, is located at Mountain Valley Park and features a zero-depth entry pool and interactive Splash Pad. Mountain Valley Splash also features: up to 6 lanes for lap swimming, 75-foot spiral slide, concession stand and picnic area, shade structures, ground sprayers, water cannons, dump buckets, and soakers at the Splash Pad.

Mountain Valley Splash aquatics facility pool is a unique shape and roughly 90' by 75' (30 yards by 25 yards). Its surface area is around 5,775 sq ft.

The pool is open for **Open Swim** noon to 4:30pm week days, noon to 6pm weekends, and 6:30pm to 9pm Mondays and Wednesdays. And it's **FREE!**

Swimming lessons, water aerobics, lap sessions, fitness and therapy programs are also available. Call (928) 775-3165, or check [https://www.prescottvalley-az.gov/departments/parks\\_recreation](https://www.prescottvalley-az.gov/departments/parks_recreation) for schedules and pricing.





## CAN WE HAVE A WORST-CASE OF POTENTIAL WILDFIRE?

Minimal rain since last year's non-soon has drastically reduced moisture within the natural vegetation and the NOAA weather forecast is for continued dryness and higher than normal temperatures until, hopefully, a normal monsoon starting in June or July.

There are three wildfire exposures that need attention: **Embers, Flames, and Radiant Heat.** Protect your structures by hardening them from all of those exposures.

**EMBERS:** Remove all flammable material within 5' of a structure's perimeter.

**FLAMES:** Remove flammable material that, if ignited, will create a flame that is likely to contact your structure. In windy conditions, flames can extend at least 30'.

**RADIANT HEAT:** A tree, brush or structure fire can generate temperatures over 1,000°. To lessen that wall of heat, thin out vegetation around your structures at least 100' and apply the first two mitigations to prevent one structure from igniting its neighbor.

The chances are that we again will dodge the wildfire bullet, but the conditions of this coming spring will significantly reduce our chances of being lucky. Wildfire season is officially here. If you want to be prepared, now is the time.

If there's more information or recommendations you'd like to secure your property against wildfire, contact **Dewey-Humboldt Firewise** at **928-273-8690** or **DHFW@gmail.com** or visit our website at **www.D-HFW.com**.

## ARSENIC IN BROWN RICE: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

By Iris Myer \*(EWG)

Americans who regularly eat brown rice instead of white may be exposing themselves to higher levels of the heavy metal arsenic, a recent study from Michigan State University finds.

The research also found that young children who often eat brown rice are particularly vulnerable. Arsenic is a known human carcinogen that is toxic to people of any age, and it can harm the developing brain of a baby or toddler.

Some simple changes at home, such as avoiding certain rice-based products, can help you reduce your risk of harm. \*(Environmental Working Group)

## STORYTIME UNDER THE STARS

The night sky can be a source of wonder, spark curiosity, inspire silly adventures, and connect us to our ancestors across space and time. Join us while we read some fun, wacky, and even poignant children's books that take place on other planets and other vistas across the universe in the future, the past, and in the imagination.

**The Jim and Linda Lee Planetarium, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University**

### Show Times:

Saturday, June 7: 11 a.m.  
Saturday, June 28: 11 a.m.  
Saturday, July 26: 11 a.m.



**Planetarium Reception Desk, 928-777-3422, Reserve Your Tickets Now! \$8**  
Summer Hours: Tuesday-Friday 10 AM to 2 PM

## WHAT'S HAPPENING! DEWEY-HUMBOLDT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The history of Dewey-Humboldt is Amazing!

From Dewey's farming and ranching to Humboldt's mining heritage the Historical Society's aim is to keep the history alive, with a future museum as a key priority. Monthly meetings feature occasional speakers on interesting Arizona history topics, and planned excursions explore the surrounding country from the Bradshaw Mountains to mines and Indigenous sites.

Curious about Humboldt's old buildings? You'll learn about them and more!

Join the Historical Society the Second Wednesday of each month at 5:30pm at the Agua Fria Church on 2nd Street in Humboldt.

Enjoy the following article from March 12, 1902, in the Arizona Weekly Journal:

### Shearing of the Sheep

*W.S. Goldworthy, Chief Clerk in the General Agent's office and A.C. McQueen, livestock agent for the S. SP & P Railroad, went out to Cherry Station today to witness the Shearing of Sheep which is now at work in progress at the Old Bowers Ranch.*

*This is expected to be the biggest clip ever made in the county, there being between 70,000 - 100,000 sheep to shear this season.*

*100 men at work to shear about 8 thousand sheep a day.*

Note: In the early days Bowers Ranch was known as King Woolsey's Agua Fria Ranch

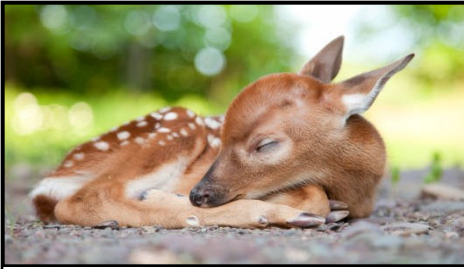
Researched by: John Charles Young



St. Mary's  
Food Bank®

## ST. MARY'S FOOD DISTRIBUTION:

06/19/25 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the vacant Town lot on Main Street.



**LEAVE BABY WILDLIFE ALONE!**

*Young wildlife found in a yard or in the field is rarely abandoned.*

With the arrival of warmer spring weather, the Arizona Game and Fish Dept once again is advising the public to leave baby wildlife alone.

While it might be difficult to resist the urge to help seemingly abandoned animals, including newly hatched birds and baby rabbits, a parent is likely nearby and will return once humans have left the area.

Sadly, once young animals have been removed from the wild, some species —like elk calves and deer fawns — may have to be euthanized because they cannot be released back into their natural habitat. Zoos and other wildlife sanctuaries usually are not viable options, as they often don't have available space.

A licensed wildlife rehabilitator should be contacted, however, if an animal is encountered that clearly appears to be sick or injured, is unresponsive or lethargic, has been attacked by a cat or dog, or there is evidence that the parent is dead.

Young wildlife found in a yard or in the field is rarely abandoned. Typically, once the perceived predator (perhaps a dog, cat, or person) leaves the area, one or both parents will return and continue to care for its young.

Baby birds are the most common of young wildlife encountered by the public and removed from the wild. Some young birds, such as great horned owlets, often can be mistaken

for full-sized adults because of their thick downy plumage. Leave them as found. As a reminder, the eggs of ground-nesting birds, also should be left undisturbed.



**PERMITS ISSUED**

Building Department  
issued permits  
April 2025:

Manufactured Home	1
Zoning	3
Grading	2
Electric	4
Right of Way	2
Other Building	6
Single Family Residence	2
Solar	5
Change in Use	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26</b>

**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 \(dhaz.gov\)](#)

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

- June 3, 2025
- June 17, 2025

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

- June 5, 2025—FIRST HEARING FOR GENERAL PLAN ADOPTION

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

- June 10, 2025

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

- June 24, 2025

Meetings are held via Granicus. Comments can be given at the meeting or be submitted no later than 3:30 p.m., to [BethEvans@dhaz.gov](mailto:BethEvans@dhaz.gov), 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.

**FOR TOWN NOTICES:**

If you would like to receive email updates and notices of Town Meetings and Events please call the Town Office at (928) 632-7362 and ask to be added to the list.

**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.

**TOWN COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Matthew Fenn, Mayor**  
Mayor.Fenn@dhaz.gov  
602-809-4053

**Terry Nolan, Vice Mayor**  
CM.Nolan@dhaz.gov  
602-618-5988

**Jeremiah Barron, Council Member**  
CM.Barron@dhaz.gov  
928-499-4850

**Jason Chisholm, Council Member**  
CM.Chisholm@dhaz.gov  
928-830-7578

**Mike Donovan, Council Member**  
CM.Donovan@dhaz.gov  
928-632-7362

**Denise Rogers, Council Member**  
CM.Rogers@dhaz.gov  
928-925-5145

**Thomas Mallette, Council Member**  
CM.Mallette@dhaz.gov  
928-632-7362

**STAFF CONTACTS**

**Dan Field, Town Manager**  
[DanField@dhaz.gov](mailto:DanField@dhaz.gov)

**Beth Evans, Town Clerk**  
[BethEvans@dhaz.gov](mailto:BethEvans@dhaz.gov)

**Chelsea Varney, Deputy Town Clerk**  
[ChelseaVarney@dhaz.gov](mailto:ChelseaVarney@dhaz.gov)

**Marty Joanou, Building Official**  
[MartyJoanou@dhaz.gov](mailto:MartyJoanou@dhaz.gov)

**ATTN: NON-PROFITS & GOVT AGENCIES** PLEASE submit articles for inclusion in the D-H Newsletter to Denise at [drcoldh2o@gmail.com](mailto:drcoldh2o@gmail.com) by the 15th of the month. **THANK YOU!**



# LIBRARY NEWS

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

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



Scan the QR code or visit [ycfld.gov/node/240](http://ycfld.gov/node/240) to take the survey online.

**Prefer paper?**  
 Just ask for a copy at your local library.

Yavapai County wants to hear from you!

**Tell Us What Matters to You.**

Tell us what services matter most to you.

Yavapai County libraries and Sheriff substations are gathering input through a short survey. We want to better understand the services you use—or wish were available—when you visit the library, a substation, or other local resource hubs.

This is your chance to help make sure local services reflect real local needs. Whether you stop in regularly or only now and then, your experience matters.



## WEEKLY EVENTS

### Mondays:

Friends of the Library - *Weekly book sale* 11 AM - 3 PM  
 Happy Hands Workshop - *Craft activities for all ages* 4 PM - 6 PM

### Tuesdays:

Tai Chi for Beginners 10 AM - 11 AM

### Wednesdays:

Drop In Tech PM 3:30 PM - 5:30  
 Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead! - *STEAM activities for kids* 1 PM - 5 PM  
 Creative Minds Club - *After-school club* 3 PM - 5 PM

### Thursdays:

Intro to Qigong - *Tai Chi is a form of Qigong* 10 AM - 11 AM



## COLOR OUR WORLD™ Summer Reading Program 2025!

- June 5th** - Bad Art Night
- June 10th** - Paint by Number
- June 12th** - Recycled Paper Crafts
- June 19th** - Shelly's Resin Art Class
- June 26th** - Heritage Park Zoo visits the library!



### 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)

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



### Weekly Book Sales

Mondays 11 AM - 3 PM

### Book Club

Jan 13th, 2 PM - 3 PM

Accepting book donations Mondays - Like-new and good



find us on facebook!!  
 Just search "@YCFLD"



**LOOK INSIDE!! NEW TOPICS!!**



Town of Dewey-Humboldt  
 P.O. Box 69  
 Humboldt, AZ 86329

**POSTAL CUSTOMER**

PRSR STD  
 U.S. POSTAGE  
 PAID  
 PRESCOTT, AZ  
 PERMIT #12

ECRWSS