Joesph's Bi-Rite Market in Bishop has had food sitting on the shelves for nearly three months. The new owners, Sam Kahill, Mike Kahill and Ray Akkari purport they are remodeling. The men bought the Bishop and Lone Pine stores in March.

A thick stench of rotting food and stale bread hangs over the store and has seeped into the neighbor’s place, the Bishop Twin Theater.

The theater owner, Holly Tatum Mullanix, said there have been a couple of nights where the smell has been unbearable of the day while fruit flies have been mice running around faces of customers. She’s had to place mouse traps. She wondered why the owners didn’t call Salvation Army. She said she’s heard the owners say the remodel is proving overwhelming and they need more labor.

Mullanix, Bell and many others have made complaints to the City. Bishop Planning Director Dave Grah says he’s approached the owners and asked them to clean the place up. This was three weeks ago. Inyo County Environmental Health Director Kathe Barton told The Sheet her department has received several complaints as well, and the county’s health inspector has completed a walk through to verify the allegations. Barton explained that complaints are confidential but could say see ATTACK, page 23.

The first time Don Wright Jr., a medical marijuana card, he drove from Mammoth to LA, because he didn’t want his mom to find out. He saw a doctor, who wrote him a prescription. She was professional. It was easy. Then, it was time to buy.

He picked up his friend Greg, a tall, gangly, “Skater-type”. They drove around Orange County looking for a dispensary they had heard about through word of mouth. Around four in the afternoon, they walked into an office building around and sidled up to the directory. They read the director, not knowing what name to look for. They needed a sign.

“This guy comes out of the elevator and says, ‘Are you guys looking for the dispensary?’” Greg said, “No, I’m here to do my taxes. What? Are you stereotyping me?”

The guy said, “Ninth floor to the left.” They thanked him and hurried into the elevator. The guy who sold them the weed was really grumpy.

“I think I got two different strands… We go back to his [Greg’s] grandma’s house and would smoke in the garage.”

Wright recounted this story to me in the back room of Green Mammoth, the medical marijuana dispensary he owns and operates. It’s tucked into a corner on the second floor of the KMMT building on Laurel Mountain Road.

He submitted an application for a retail permit to sell adult-use cannabis, or what is known as recreational marijuana. The state hadn’t responded, but was supposed to within the week.

If the state grants him the adult-use permit, Wright will close Green Mammoth July 29, switch point-of-sale system (as mandated by the state) and re-open August 2 as an adult-use dispensary.

Current customers should not fret. He will still sell medical marijuana.

The e-mail could have popped onto his phone any moment, Wright was anxious. He was out of flower (bud) and concentrate, which was somewhat normal because his distributors prioritize the urban markets, making places like Mammoth wait for whatever’s leftover—the snickelfritz.

Wright grew up here with his sister, Carrie and mom, Kathryn. He left for four years and worked at bars in Huntington Beach and worked at bars in Huntington Beach

Food remaining on shelves has invited pests. The stench of rotting food had reached the sidewalk and the inside of the Bishop Twin Theater.
A BATTLE OF WILLS

Kevin Carunchio announced his retirement as Inyo County Administrative Officer (CAO) on June 12. Despite the fact that the County has hired an Executive Search firm to recruit a replacement, and despite the fact that Carunchio has announced a tentative retirement date (end of October), there are a whole lot of people (most of whom work for Inyo County) who don’t actually believe it.

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The argument for at-will deputies was made by three Supervisors who spoke to The Sheet. The argument goes something like this: Say you have a contentious relationship between a department head and a deputy. Perhaps the deputy challenges the department head in an election. Perhaps the deputy sows discontent within the department. If that person is a merit system, union employee, they have many job protections and a cancerous environment could linger for years. If the deputy is at-will, the CAO can eliminate the problem immediately.

The latest contract negotiated between Inyo County and the union allows the County to hire deputies in either capacity: either as “merit-system” employees or at-will employees.

Mono County’s Assistant CAO Tony Dublino said that the Assistant Assessor in Mono County is an at-will employee, and for the most part, all deputies are at-will. For example, the five superintendents within the public works department are at-will.

He even said that some positions underneath these assistant positions are also at-will, and that this change in management structure was initiated about 15 years ago. The trade-off, he said, is better pay in exchange for a loss in civil service protection.

Back to our tale. During the July 10 Board meeting, Stottlemyre claimed he had a person who was interested in the job. He also said that this candidate would not be interested in the position if it were listed as an at-will position. Why? Stottlemyre explained that when people are contemplating switching jobs and moving to a rural county like ours, they want some job security.

At the meeting, Supervisor Matt Kingsley said he was a bit puzzled as to why Stottlemyre refused Carunchio’s offer of even greater help (Be-ware of Greeks bearing gifts), but he was happy to save the additional money and added that Stottlemyre should run his department as he saw fit. Kingsley did not wish to force Stottlemyre to “do something you don’t want to do.”

With that as backdrop, following the meeting, the County then advertised the Assistant Assessor position as at-will.

In a subsequent email exchange, Stottlemyre wrote to Deputy Personnel Director Sue Dishion, saying “The board approved the job description as presented. And, as presented the ‘at will’ clause was intentionally omitted. The board had no misunderstanding of my intention.” Dishion’s reply: “Actually they didn’t approve the job description - it was attached as backup. If you thought you needed clarification, you as the elected officer should have brought it up. The county code is clear as to the intent of the board.”

This pretty much demonstrates why there is a lack of trust between the Administrative Office and elected department heads.

Alisha McMurtrie elaborated on the issue in an email sent to The Sheet on July 18:

“It is my understanding that you have recently spoken with Mr. Stottlemyre about the recruitment of a new Assistant Assessor and the issue of it becoming an at-will position as opposed to remaining a merit system position. I experienced the same push back from Administration/ Kevin late last year when I went before the BOS to obtain approval to recruit my Assistant’s position. I was successful in maintaining the position a merit system position. I strongly believe that the current Inyo County Code is permissive on this matter. That it does not read as mandatory and the Board of Supervisor’s actions to ignore and exclude the
FORMER Inyo County Court Executive Officer Tammy Grimm has been charged with six felony counts related to forgery and falsifying documents in an alleged attempt to frame Superior Court Judge Brian Lamb.

The charges were filed in San Francisco County, the presiding county for the Commission on Judicial Performance (CJP), that handles judicial misconduct complaints.

On Thursday, July 12, San Francisco District Attorney George Gascón charged the 42-year-old Grimm with two felonies each for offering false evidence, forgery, and filing false documents with a public office. She posted $5,000 bail.

“Our legal system is based on principles of fairness and honesty,” Gascón stated in a press release from his office. “Deliberately falsifying evidence not only harms those who are targeted by the deception, but also jeopardizes our trust in the institutions designed to serve us all.”

Former and current court employees including current Court Executive Officer Pam Foster and retired employees, Sandy Anderson and Jenny Bird told The Sheet they did not want to comment, as they may become witnesses in the case.

According to the press release from Gascón’s office, Grimm filed a complaint with the CJP in 2014 against Lamb, alleging Lamb had falsely signed affidavits admitting that he did not have cases on his docket more than a year old. It is state law that mandates judges declare that there are no cases more than 90 days old before them.

Grimm sent the CJP two emails and stated she also sent them to Lamb, advising him there are cases more than 90 days overdue. Grimm allegedly forged these documents.

Grimm was appointed to a three-year term on the Judicial Council’s Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness in July 2014. It could not be determined what month she filed the complaints to the CJP.

The arrest and charges are the result of an investigation by special agents with the Bureau of Investigation of the California Department of Justice.

Grimm left Inyo County in 2014, after four years, before moving on to become the Court Executive Officer for Imperial County.

PAYUTE project fueled

According to a press release, the Bishop Paiute Tribe has been awarded $2.1 Million grant by the U.S. Department of Commerce Bishop on June 26. Economic Development Administration (EDA) is awarding a $2.1 million grant to the Bishop tribe to apply towards the infrastructure of a retail center and business incubator to be located at the northeast corner of See Vee Lane and West Line Street. Sec. Wilbur Ross stated, “With Bishop’s new retail center and business incubator, the local community will have access to new tools for developing businesses right in their backyard which, in turn, will spur further growth.”

This project will provide 98 jobs and allow tribal members to pursue their own businesses, states the release from the Tribe. It will increase education, infrastructure, social and cultural values of the tribe. With this support from EDA the tribe can more closely realize self-determination. Teri Red Owl, Bishop Paiute Development Corporation Chairperson stated, “We’re excited about this project and the benefit the gas station and retail center will have on the community. We’ve felt for years that a gas station and market was needed in this location and are looking forward to the convenience it will provide to residents and visitors. Creating jobs and contributing to the local economy is a goal of the Bishop Paiute Development Corporation and this project will certainly do that.”

The press release does not include the opinions of the other gas station owners on Line Street: Kyle Ony of Manor Market or Bill Klink of Giggle Springs, Too.

Heli- coper rescue

On July 14, an Inland Division Air Operations of the California Highway Patrol H-82 helicopter was requested by Inyo County Sheriff’s Office to assist with a rescue of an injured hiker near Pine Lake, west of Bishop.

The female hiker had injured her knee at high elevation and self-rescued to 10,000 feet before she was unable to descend any further. H-82 responded, and with the assistance of the SAR members, hoisted the party. A video of the operation is posted at https://youtu.be/QMlUej9SYbs.

-Bodine
Cobwebs Antiques in Bishop to close its doors

By Bodine

Bishop is quickly running out of retail stores, shops and places to buy nearly anything that isn’t automotive, or tourist related.

The latest loss for a community bemoaning its increasing number of empty storefronts is Cobwebs Antiques, a staple for both sellers and buyers for the past 20 years, Cobwebs Antiques is located on South Main Street kitty corner from the Great Basin Bakery.

Owner Cathy Yribarren said she doesn’t have time to run the store and help her husband run the Yribarren Ranch. She says she can’t do more.

Cobwebs had a kitsch item or hidden gem for everyone. Vintage clothing hangs next to BB guns that are above a basket full of antique door knobs, in what used to be a jail. The building once housed the Bishop Police Department, the Inyo County Sheriff and a satellite courthouse. The few cells that are left are tiny but the drunk tank takes up a nice chunk of the space inside.

Back in the day, the jail did not have a kitchen and inmates were chaperoned to a café across the street for three squares. The café was next to the mortuary.

There’s a resident ghost, Yribarren said, adding she regrets not naming the spirit.

There are more than 30 consigners said Yribarren. Many have been with Yribarren for years, Cindy Hoersting has been with Cobwebs since the beginning.

Yribarren started with vintage clothing then antiques started to sell and she moved from where the Antique Peddler is now. She moved downtown in 2002.

Her telling of the history of the place went quick. She wasn’t much of a collector but a friend of hers convinced her to open a shop with her, then the friend left. “I’ve learned quite a bit since then.” Antiques aren’t moving, she said. Gold and silver doesn’t fetch what it used to, “The new generation just isn’t into it.”

There was a bump in business after JCPenney’s closed and she stocked up on women’s clothes, but it was short lived.

To her knowledge no one has been looking at the space. It is located on Main Street and next to busy Great Basin Bakery, where customers fight for limited parking.

“It’s a sad moment, we’re closing our doors, but it’s time,” Yribarren told The Sheet.

She excused herself from the interview for a moment and The Sheet could overhear Yribarren in the shop.

“How are you doing?” Yribarren asks.

“Yes, what do you want for this?” There was a long pause.

“Merry Christmas,” Yribarren said followed by an audible gasp from the buyer.

As Cobwebs goes under, a new store has emerged, not related, but it’s filling a space. Bishop RV Supplies has moved into 162 W. Line Street near the corner of Main Street. Owner Mike Burgoon is a retired trucker and 20-year Eastside local.

The only parking for Burgoon is located behind the old JCPenney or even farther out. He said his customers don’t mind the walk and are grateful there’s an RV repair and parts store in town. Contact Burgoon at (760) 872-2787.

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OUT WITH THE OLD ...
In with the mountaineering!

By Benham

The sky was grey from smoke from the Yosemite Fire. Suite Z beckoned. It was an oasis. It was three o'clock.

Members of council and town staff stepped from a ribbon cutting ceremony for a new sidewalk on the north side of upper Main Street.

Jamie Gray, Town Clerk, swore in Kirk Stapp, Lynda Salcido, and John Wentworth. They raised their right hands and repeated after Gray. Shields Richardson and Colin Fernie stepped down from the dais. Wentworth's term as mayor ended.

Mayor Pro Tem Hoff became Mayor Hoff. Sauser became Mayor Pro-Tem. Recognition of Wentworth's work as mayor included a gift of a plaque with a gavel, a photo of the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new playground at Mammoth Creek Park.

Richardson said, "I feel good about what we did."

Fernie felt comfortable to know that Wentworth would remain on the council.

Sauser applauded Wentworth's energy and passion. In his last act as mayor, and not the first act of Henry the Fifth, Wentworth awarded the Mayor's Spirit of Mammoth Lakes Award to Mammoth Victorian Vocal Ensemble.

"Thank you for your re-election!" Council then went into three hours of Planning and Economic Development (PEDC) and Recreation Commission interviews.

Council reappointed Michael Van derhurst and Greg Eckert to PEDC, citing their experience and need for continuity. The approval was unanimous.

For the Recreation Commission, Betsy Truax retained her position and served on the Mammoth Economic Development Council and the Old Mammoth Economic Stimulus Council and the Old Mammoth Board as the community representative, and Holfer was alternate.

Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board: Stapp and Sauser
-Treasury Oversight: Stapp, Holler and Rob Patterson
-M.L. Tourism: Hoff
-M.L. Recreation: Sauser
-M.L. Housing: Wentworth

Stapp contested the Housing appointment. He wanted to be the council's representative because of his experience with MLH. Wentworth wouldn't back down. Stapp brought forward a motion to appoint himself to the MLH board. No one seconded it.

Jennifer Halferty, new Mono County Supervisor for District 1, took the microphone started to talk about Wentworth's hostility toward MLH. Wentworth cut her off. Hoff banged the gavel. Town Attorney Andrew Morris told them Halferty had a right to speak. She finished her remarks. Later, Hoff apologized for cutting her off.

Back to Stapp. He may be able to remain on the MLH board as a community member. If so, MLH would have four elected officials—even though Stapp would serve on the board as the community member he would still count as an elected official—but its bylaws only permit three elected officials. MLH would have to figure out how to side-step that. For now, Wentworth is the council's representative and Stapp is in limbo.

In less administrative news, Inyo National Forest approved Class I e-bikes to be used on all town multi-use paths (MUPs). The reasoning: the MUP's within town are not designated as the National Forest System's Travel Management area. Therefore the town regulates the MUPs.

Eastern Sierra Transit Authority is in crisis, Sauser said. It is short five employees. It needs bus drivers.

Council approved a letter to be sent to the National Forest, BLM and federal and state officials, expressing its displeasure with the smoke that's been hanging over our region and the National Forest's allowing fires to burn.

The police department will hire a new school resource officer for two years. Officer Hansen has done the job part time, he will move to full time and someone will be hired under him.

The meeting adjourned the meeting at 9:40.

Agency appointments
-Local Agency Formation Commission: Salcido, Hoff, Stapp as alternate
-Airport Land Use Commission: Stapp, Salcido
-Mono County Collaborative Planning Team: Salcido, Hoff as alternate
-Town and County Liaison Committee: Stapp and Salcido
-Desert Mountain Division of the League of California Cities: Causier, Town Manager Dan Holler as alternate
-Eastern Sierra Council of Government: Wentworth, Salcido, Sauser as alternate
-Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District: Wentworth, Stapp as alternate

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MONO COUNTY I.T. HONORED

The Digital county survey awards were hosted this past Saturday, July 14 at the NACO annual meeting setoh in Placerville. There are over 3,000 counties across the country, most of which are members of NACO. Mono County won a 4th place award in the under 150,000 population category.

The Digital Counties Survey is conducted by the Center for Digital Government in partnership with the National Association of Counties and identifies the best technology practices among U.S. counties.

Mono County Supervisor Stacy Corless elaborated on the achievement at the Mono Board meeting Tuesday.

"First place went to Nevada county and they have over 100,000 residents and a $235 million budget," she said, "so just compare that to Mono. It's pretty impressive."

Corless added, "In government and especially with IT, it's really easy for us to get stuck in the weeds and lose sight of what the day to day tasks all add up too; so being recognized on a national scale is evidence of the good work that our IT team is doing, that we're doing as a county, and the value that it brings to our staff and our community."

The Center for Digital Government had this to say about county winners. "Winners of the digital county awards have learned to cope with the unexpected and have seen their thoughtful investments bear fruit in the face of unexpected challenges."

Nate Greenburg of Mono IT said on behalf of his department, "I think really important is bringing credence to a lot of the work that we've done and demonstrates that the work that is done day in and day out by this team is recognized on a national level."

Supervisor John Peters said, "I just want to add... the level of tenacity and commitment goes as far as climbing on snowmobiles in the winter, to go up to towers that are caked with ice, climb them, and restore communications."

Statement of Abandonment

Of Use of Fictional Business Name Statement:

Deckmasters of the High Sierra

The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name:

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This business is conducted by an Individual. The fictitious business name was filed in Mono County on January 27, 2012. File Number 2012-009. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on June 18, 2018. File Number 12-009 2018-0123 (7/14, 7/21,7/28, 8/4)
EMPTY CLAIM?
SSR pullout creates Van Ertia
By Benham

The Sheet reported last week (‘SSR Mining Pulls the Plug’) that SSR will no longer seek to explore for gold in the area. SSR council Matthew Langford said the company moved on because it wanted to prioritize other areas of its portfolio.

On July 13 (post last week’s deadline), Stephen Razo, External Affairs at BLM’s Regional Office responded to questions via email.

Razo said the BLM would not have to perform another Environmental Assessment, if the Van Ert and Cousins put forth a plan of operations.

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“Silver Star mining authorization transferred to them. The BLM informed stakeholders that without a plan of operations to themselves, rather than closing the case,” said Razo.

“The involved water would be transported from off-site, not extracted from Conglomerate Mesa, and would be conserved/recycled so as to minimize the amount needed. All holes will be plugged.”

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“Helicopter Access Alternative, Minimum Road Construction Alternative, the BLM Preferred Access Alternative, and the No Action Alternative.” Under the No Action Alternative, there would have been no exploratory drilling and the project would not have happened. This was the only plan in which tribal cultural resources would have been left untouched. Any drilling, exploratory or otherwise, disturbs tribal resources.

The BLM has discussed mining on Conglomerate Mesa with the tribes since 2008. The tribes objected ten years ago and object now.

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LET'S PLAY SOME HOOPES!
Chamber Music Unbound Summer Festival checks in at the scorer’s table beginning this weekend

By Lunch


All performances will be held at Mammoth’s Cerro Coso Community College campus.

Per usual, Chamber Music Unbound’s Brian Schuldt and Rebecca Hang have assembled an all-star lineup for this year’s festival.

One such special guest receiving a list billing is Amy Jo Rhine, who plays French Horn for the L.A. Philharmonic.

Rhine will take advantage of a couple of days off from her Hollywood Bowl schedule to play the Festival next weekend.

As Schuldt says, there’s not that much Chamber repertoire written for the French Horn, certainly not as frequent as that written for strings and piano, so to hear a player of Rhine’s caliber in such an intimate setting is a unique opportunity.

Another all-star and first-time visitor this year will be Chad Hoopes, a violinist in his early 20s.

Schuldt and Hang recruit Hoopes when they were both subbing at the Fresno Philharmonic. Hoopes was the soloist that night.

Later, serendipitously, Schuldt and Hang were listening to a concert on the radio as they were driving through Germany. Sure enough, Hoopes was announced as the soloist at the end of the program.

When a name keeps coming up, it’s important to pay attention. Chamber Music Unbound has been fortunate to nab the New York-based violinist for this year’s festival.

New for this year’s Festival will be a pair of crowd-pleasing Saturday mini-recitals. Schuldt and Hang describe them as “showy, crowd-pleasing” one-hour concerts good for younger audiences and shorter attention spans. The tickets for these shows will range from $5 to $15.

One thing the casual observer may have always wondered: How do Brian and Rebecca come up with their concert titles?

There are a couple of influences.

1.) Wine. “We’ll often sit across from each other late at night with a bottle of wine and churn them out,” says Brian.

2.) Pop Culture. Two of the titles this year come from rather rambunctious Saturday mini-recitals. Schuldt and Hang describe them as “showy, crowd-pleasing” one-hour concerts good for younger audiences and shorter attention spans. The tickets for these shows will range from $5 to $15.

As Rebecca says, “Mozart is my favorite right now. He embodies the rational forces of the enlightenment and juxtaposes that with playfulness and optimism.”

But back to Team America (the Friday, July 20 concert). One of the composers who will be featured is Dvorak, who wrote his American string quintet, opus 37 while living in the United States.

He spent two years stateside, at one point visiting an ex-pat Czech community in Spillville, Iowa during the summer of 1893. That was the inspiration for this work.

As Hang wrote, “The quintet succeeds in capturing the expanse of the American plains and the natural beauty of the Spillville surroundings, which deeply moved the composer, who was not a big city man. He was so happy in Iowa that he called the modest little town “an ideal place” and declared that he “would like to spend the rest of [his] days here.”

Ten days of unforgettable music from artists at the top of their game. Who wouldn’t want to spend the rest of their days, or at least a few of these days, in such company?

For more information about the festival, please visit www.ChamberMusicUnbound.org or see advertisement below.
MAN PLEADS IN DEVIL’S HOLE VANDALISM
Could receive year in jail for harming endangered species

Press Release

LAS VEGAS, Nev. – An Indian Springs, Nevada, man who rammed his ATV into a gate securing the Devil’s Hole area, destroyed a surveillance camera and equipment, then harmed pupfish, an endangered species, pleaded guilty today in federal court, announced U.S. Attorney Dayle Elieson for the District of Nevada and Superintendent Mike Reynolds for Death Valley National Park.

Trenton Sargent, 28, pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Andrew P. Gordon to one count of violation of the Endangered Species Act, one count of destruction of United States property, and one count of felon in possession of a firearm. Sentencing is scheduled for October 25, 2018. The maximum penalty for an Endangered Species Act violation, a criminal misdemeanor, is up to one year in prison and up to a $100,000 fine. The maximum penalty for destroying United States property and being a felon in possession of a firearm, both felonies, is up to ten years in prison and up to a $250,000 fine per count.

Devils Hole, a detached unit of Death Valley National Park, is located in Amargosa Valley, Nevada, within a 40-acre parcel of National Park Service land surrounding the Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge. Devils Hole is the only location in the world where Devils Hole pupfish exist in the wild. They are the descendants of fish that inhabited an ancient lake that once covered Death Valley. The pupfish is a Nevada state and federally listed endangered species.

The Endangered Species Act was enacted to provide a program for the conservation of endangered and threatened species. In the spring of 2016, Devils Hole contained just 115 observable pupfish.

According to court documents, Sargent admitted, that on April 30, 2016, he and two co-defendants rammed the fence surrounding Devils Hole with their ATV, severely damaging the gate. Then, Sargent, a felon prohibited from possessing firearms, fired a Mossberg 500 shotgun at the padlock on the gate, attempting to gain access. After their attempts were unsuccessful, the men scaled the fence. Once in the enclosed area, they destroyed a sensor center for cameras and equipment for the area, and destroyed a video surveillance camera belonging to the National Park Service.

Then, Sargent went into the water. By stepping onto the Devils Hole shallow shelf, he smashed pupfish eggs and larvae pupfish during the peak spawning season for pupfish, who lay their eggs on the shallow shelf.

Two other men, Edgar Reyes, 37, of North Las Vegas, and Steven Schwinkendorf, 31, of Pahrump, who were with Sargent at Devils Hole during the time of the crimes, previously pleaded guilty to destruction of government property and violation of the Endangered Species Act. They were each sentenced to one year probation.

SINKHOLES CLOSE ROADS
AT BALD MOUNTAIN

Press Release

The Inyo National Forest has temporarily closed roads in the Bald Mountain area due to sinkholes that have made travel dangerous. This area is popular for off highway vehicle (OHV) recreation.

The Bald Mountain Road (01S05) remains open. However, Roads 01S131, 01S131a and 01S131b are closed between the intersections of 01S70 and 01S05. Road 01S131 has a sinkhole in the middle of the road that is estimated to be 20 ft. deep. A vehicle got stuck in this sinkhole and driver reports indicate the ground gave way underneath the vehicle as it drove the road.

There is at least one other sinkhole and numerous depressions (more than 30) forming in the vicinity. Some of the sinkholes and depressions that are developing are narrow and deep and have the potential to be dangerous because they are covered in needles and leaves, making them hard to see. Bald Mountain is located in a beautiful Jeffrey pine forest.

The forest is working with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to assess and monitor the area to determine what geologic phenomena are at work in the area. The location contains organic material on the surface. The subsurface geology contains highly permeable pyroclastic ash flows, Bishop Tuff, and basalt bedrock, which may contribute to the instability in the area. Based upon this assessment, the forest will determine a long-term strategy.

The forest has put up signs for this closure area. If travelling in the nearby vicinity, please use extreme caution since the extent and nature of the sinkholes and depressions is not yet mapped or understood.

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Let us set you up on your next 2 wheel adventure!
Department Head’s participation and recommendations is evidence of a continuation of consolidation of power attempts by our current Administrator.

Elected Departments have Department Heads who are subject to re-election every four years. The possibility of having a new department head on a regular basis is a very real issue. With this in mind, I like to view our Assistants as being the bedrock of our departments. As merit system employees, their obligation and loyalties are to the job, our citizens and the taxpayer, not the Department Head or Administrator who executes and manages their employment contract.

Providing our Assistants the working environment where their focus and energies are on providing the services they are hired for without fear or even concerns about job security is critical.

That being said, I was accused in the Boardroom (by Kevin) of trying to create my own fiefdom ...

I strongly believe that Administration supported the idea of obtaining any level of control in the elected departments and are willing to compensate any Assistant who, pardon the expression, drinks the Kool Aid.

Assistant Auditor-Controller, after the Ordinance was approved, immediately sought a contract. She was compensated (rewarded) a 10-range pay increase and a monthly car allowance of $250 a month. Her Department Head does not even get a car allowance and she is the only one who actually uses her own vehicle for County business. Nice raise for the same job performance. No increase in value to the public, but the Administrator now has control over the Assistant Auditor-Controller.

Some historical background about the Assistants Association. The issue of at-will has been on the table at every contract negotiation since the Union’s inception. It has been refused until this last contract. As a member of that Association for many years, I know that the former members of the Associations chose autonomy over compensation, over and over. I suppose the old adage is true. Money talks.”

Onto the next question: Carunchio’s resignation. Why was it so sudden?

Inyo County Clerk/Recorder Kammi Foote says Carunchio’s resignation came exactly one day after she filed a workplace harassment suit. And she doesn’t believe the timing between the filing and the resignation was coincidental.

Once Carunchio decided to resign, she pulled the suit.

Now, because there is no set date for his departure, she is mulling whether to re-file.

The statute of limitations is one year.

The usage of the outlet occurred the evening of Wednesday, May 16. On Thursday, May 17, Foote received word that her elections location was to be moved, no exceptions, that day.

There was another employee who had been scheduled to move into the space. This caused Foote to have to do a lot of juggling.

As Foote wrote in a memo to all five Supervisors: “Why was it so important that our work space be used to move Kevin’s new deputy and the new FEMA representative on that particular day? Why couldn’t they be moved into one of the many other empty offices in Environmental Health or the Water Department? Were Pam and Kevin plotting this together to get back at me - I didn’t respect Pam’s space so Kevin wasn’t going to respect mine? I don’t have a single day to waste dealing with [this] move right now and the entire county is depending on me [being] able to do my job so that they can vote. All I needed was a power outlet. The damning part is that the new employee did not move into the vacated office until after election day.
Last Saturday, June Mountain hosted a party at its mid-chalet. The Sundowners played covers. Mammoth Brewing, Black Doubt, Mountain Rambler, and JLB served beers. People played cornhole, ate barbecue, danced barefoot and howled at the sunset during the chairlift ride down.

Left to Right: Carol Sutorius, Chuck Scatolini, Anne Scatolini

Brandon Skinner and Camile Hayward watching the sunset.

Sierra Shultz and Matt Waugh of Mammoth

PJ Forslund and Rachel Wanty of San Francisco

Jared Summerall on the drums for The Sundowners

Sergio Gonzalez and Stephani Hukkanen of Black Doubt Brewing
Mono County Librarian Ana Danielson (left) was honored by Town Manager Dan Holler and Mayor Cleland Hoff at her farewell party which took place on July 13.

Danielson is not only leaving Mammoth Lakes, she is leaving the country. She plans to move to Merida, Mexico, where she will teach as an Adjunct Professor at the Universidad de Yucatan. She also plans to open a Language School, where she will teach Spanish.

Merida is on the east coast of Mexico, an easier trip to visit family in western New York, and Danielson is effusive about Merida, which she describes as a cosmopolitan city with a great arts community.

Danielson moved to the Eastern Sierra in 2001 to snowboard/backpack for a year until she pursued a PhD at UCLA. Like so many others before her, she ended up staying. She has been with the Library system pretty much since she moved here. She started as the Branch Librarian for Mammoth Lakes in 2002, and was ultimately promoted to County Librarian in 2014.

Grah said he was surprised to hear about the trash and the stench. Cora Williams sold the market to the Kahilis and Akkari in March. The late Cora and Monte Williams bought the market in 1976.

Barton said, “The owner has been cooperative although a little slow to respond.”

The owners could not be reached for comment.

Above left: The new owners of Joseph’s Market in Bishop were using the alley as storage for trash. Bishop Twin Theater owner, Holly Tatum Mullanix and owner of the Wash Tub, Noe Gadea, paid to install the fence to keep the trash out. The smell in the alley is nauseating. Right: A couple bags of frozen cauliflower outside lay the rear loading dock of Joseph’s Bi-Rite Market in Bishop. The new owners were asked by the City of Bishop to clean the store, but that was three weeks ago. The bags of cauliflower have sat in the same spot for at least a week.
SMOKE. WHAT SMOKE?
By Miczulski

As fire season continues throughout the State, smoke has become a growing concern for Mono County visitors. Luckily smoke has been mild during the week, but it's still had some effect on visitation plans to the Mammoth Lakes area.

The Sheet asked Lakes Basin visitors this week if they were being affected by the smoke, or if it was hindering their experience in the area. Rick Moore from Arizona noted, “I vape, I don’t smoke... but in all seriousness, it’s much better here than in Northern California.”

Bonnie and Doyle Maxwell from Palm Springs noted that “We could see it [smoke] we were worried there might be a fire nearby.”

The Rossman family visiting from Minnesota said, “We smelled it a little bit, but we haven’t seen really any”. They explained this was their first time to the area and were happy their trip lined up with relatively good air quality.

Ben Whiteside, Cathryn Whiteside, and Andrea Lustenberger from Revelstoke, British Columbia explained that they were here to hike the John Muir trail and have grown wary of air quality conditions. “Smoke may be affecting us in a few days.” said Cathryn.

Another group of Canadians gave me a peculiar look when asked. They pointed at the sky and said, “What smoke?”

Riley Tosti from San Bernardino said, “No, we haven’t noticed it.” His wife Briana noted, “I would disagree, we’re coming up here for fresh air and cooler temperatures. Yesterday was super hazy so it’s a little disappointing, but we deal with it.”

The Dunn family was visiting from Hemet. William Dunn noted, “You can smell the smoke sometimes, but we don’t think it’s been too bad.”

As fires continue to burn around Mono and Inyo counties, it’s hard to know if air quality will affect visitors to the area. Mammoth Lakes has been blessed with moderate to low impacts to air quality over the past week.

Air quality forecasts project that smoke impacts will continue to fluctuate as wind and weather continue to play a role in this year’s fire season. Air quality is forecast to remain moderate near Mammoth Lakes, Lee Vining, June Lake, and Devil’s Postpile for the foreseeable future as long as fires stay contained and no new fires start.

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WILLS
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The Sheet has reached out to many current and former department heads, who, unlike Scottlente,yre, McMurrrie and Foote, serve/serve at-will to Mr. Carunchio.

None would speak on the record. All fear retribution.

As one summarized, "He's the type of person... vengeance is his. And he's not just going to kill you - he's going to take your whole family. And he's a chess player. He'll hide his time... and he has no compunction about making it personal."

Another felt that Carunchio's resignation was about soul-cleansing, and the worst possible thing the Inyo Board of Supervisors could do is hire him back.

"It's like Kevin's taking a course of antibiotics. They absolutely should not allow him to quit the course of antibiotics before its completion. If they hire him back... the disease will return stronger than ever."

A third talked about Carunchio's legendary temper tantrums, and how they would have, in juxtaposition, a cooling effect, where employees didn't feel comfortable presenting dissenting opinions.

Now that's a lot of tough pop psychology, and fans of Kevin would insist that one can't ignore the other side of the ledger.

Kevin's generally the smartest guy in the room. He's known as a get-things-done guy. As Supervisor Rick Pucci says, "I know he [Kevin] loves this County."

The implication being that everything he does is for what he perceives as the larger public benefit and sometimes that requires a few toes get stepped on.

He's also lasted longer than your typical CAO.

And you figure he's self-aware enough to know that it's probably time for a different voice and a different leadership style. Which is why he resigned. I don't believe that the threat of a workplace harassment suit is what pushed Carunchio over the cliff.

"It's funny to write something like that given that The Sheet's been around for 15 years. People are sick of my voice, too. I just don't have a public employee retirement benefit, so you're all stuck with me for awhile."

One Supervisor asked me hypothetically what I thought would happen if Kevin's wife Pam applied for the CAO job.

Another Supervisor pretty much shot down that trial balloon. "It would reek of nepotism," he said.

But, both agreed, the process is a process, and if Foster applies, she'll be given equal consideration.

The Sheet asked Foster directly if she planned to apply. "I haven't thought of it," was her reply.

Pucci said he doesn't think it's in The Sheet's interest to internally review, dispute or negotiate propane rates.

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The most interesting reading (which came in the Mono report) involved an investigation into AmeriGas pricing, particularly in what AmeriGas has charged to the Town of Mammoth Lakes.

What follows is text from that report item:

Analysis

Numerous citizen complaints have arisen over the last several years that AmeriGas, one of the two propane providers to the community of Mammoth Lakes, is increasing propane rates, contrary to the terms and provisions of existing written agreements between AmeriGas and those citizens and/or HOAs all while asserting its compli-

ance with such agreements. The Grand Jury has examined billings from AmeriGas to the Town of Mammoth Lakes from several Town facilities to see what TOML was paying for its propane.

Methodology

AmeriGas invoices to TOML for five Town owned facilities were requested. The invoice periods were not specified except to cover at least four seasons. TOML staff remitted to the Grand Jury invoice statements for the period of 7/2016 through 2/2018 but stated that they could not locate some invoices. Consequently, Grand Jury members directed contacted the local AmeriGas office to acquire the missing invoices, with limited success.

Billing rates in cost per gallon paid by TOML to AmeriGas are included in the Table below. In addition, cost per gallon paid by TOML to Eastern Sierra Propane for the Lake Mary at Lakeview Road intersection is included for comparative purposes. Blank spaces represent missing invoices or times of the year when deliveries may not have occurred.

Findings

• Discrepancies in the monthly rate charges were noted between various sites. For example, in 12/2017 TOML rates varied from $1.94 to $5.02 per gallon between the four sites.

• The TOML has not maintained complete records of its monthly bills.

• The TOML does not appear to have a negotiated contract for rates for its propane purchases.

• The TOML has shown no evidence of its actions to internally review, dispute, audit or negotiate propane rates.

• The TOML has not been acting in the best interests of its citizens due to its lack of fiscal oversight.

The Report also takes about a need to audit and perhaps renegotiate the Town's Propane Franchise Agreement.
BARS & MUSIC

Happy Hour/
The Liberty Sports Bar and Grill. Pursuit of Happiness Hour: 3-6 p.m., $3 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. $1 off draft beers, $2 off wine, $4 well drinks, $2 off specialty drinks. $5 Flatbread. Info: see ad, p. 11.

Outlaw Saloon Happy Hour, Monday: All Night Happy Hour; 4-11, Tues-Fri 4-6 p.m. Tuesday: $2.50 Tacos 4-9 p.m. 6-9 p.m. Wing Wednesday 50% off all wings.

Thursday: Burger & Beer special 6-9 p.m See ad, p. 9.

Morrison's Happy Hour Daily 5-6 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Mammoth Rock ‘N’ Bowl Monday: $4 games start at 9 p.m. Tuesday: $2 street tacos, $2 games and $2 shoes. Wednesday: $10 large cheese or single topping pizza and 2 for 1 bowling. Thursday: Ladies Night, ladies bowl 2 free games, shoes included. Friday and Saturday: Cosmic Bowling 9 p.m. Saturday Sunday: Kids bowl free from 4-7 p.m.

Petra’s Bistro & Wine Bar Happy hour 3-7 p.m. daily. $5-10 menu items and drink specials. Info: see ad, p. 12.

Clocktower Cellar Happy Hour 4:30-7 p.m. daily. $5 dollar menu items, drink specials. Info: see ad, p. 13.


Roberto’s 4-6 p.m. daily. Austria Hof Happy Hour 5-7:30 p.m. daily. Tuesday: Baja fish tacos, $3.50. Thursday: Poki tacos 3/9. Info: see ad, p. 4.

Samurai. Mon. Thurs. 4 p.m.-close, 20% off all alcohol in bar. Karaoke Night every Fri. & Sat. starting June 29, 7-11:30 p.m. Info: see ad, p. 4.

Whiteworks Restaurant and Lounge Unwind with daily drink and food specials 4-6 p.m. Also: Parent’s Night Out for month of June. Three course meal. Complimentary valet, glass of champagne. Free childcare at Westin Kid’s Club. 4 p.m.-midnight.

Mammoth’s famous Slocomb’s Happy Hour Mon. thru Fri 4-6 p.m.; Saturdays 4-5:30 p.m. Info: see ad, p. 5.

Happy Hour @ The Bistro at Thomas Creek 4:30-6:30 p.m. daily. Mammoth Tavern Happy Hour Tuesday-Sunday 3:30-5:30 p.m. Closed Mondays.

Smokyard Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. in the bar only.

Side Door Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m. Giovanni’s Happy Hour daily 4-6 p.m. Large pizza and a pitcher of beer gets you free wings.

Lakanuki Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m., $4.50 margaritas, Mai Tais. Happy Hour drink specials 10 p.m.-close.

Black Velvet Coffee’s Happy Hour, from 4-6 p.m. every day.

Shelter Distilling (Village at Mammoth) free tasting hour 3-4 p.m daily. Info: see ad, p. 6.


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Sierra Cycle Challenge


Kids Fishing Festival

The Mammoth Lakes Rotary and Lions clubs present the 31st annual Kids Fishing Festival, Saturday, June 28 at the Snowcreek Pond. Fish and play from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The ponds will be stocked with 15 inch Alpines trophy trout. Rods and reels are provided. Bring your own. Department of Fish and Wildlife staff, Berkley Fishing and Aguabonita Fly Fishing Club guides will be available for instruction. Other activities as well free food and drinks will be available.

The ponds are located at Snowcreek Resort, 1254 Old Mammoth Rd., Mammoth. The event is free for kids 14 and under. Info: kidsfishfest.com or Gaye, 760.937.2942.

Mountain Music Festival

The June lake Loop Performing Arts Association hosts it’s 10th Annual Mountain Music Festival & Kids Free Music Camp. The festival takes place the weekend of July 27-29. The kids music camp runs July 23-26. The June Lake Loop hosts a kick off party. The Lift hosts a downtown jamboree and Gordo’s the wrap-up party. There will be music around the loop all weekend. Info: 310.450.9606 or junehalakemusic.com.

Shakespeare in the Woods

The Sierra Classic Theatre presents Macbeth, directed by Susan Dalian. The performance runs for two week ends, August 9-12 and August 15-19. Info: order by texting: 760.937.4060. Packet at Twin Lakes Resort between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday. Weigh in happens at 9 a.m. on Saturday August 4 at Karen’s Preserve. Children ages 5-15 and their families welcome. The event runs from 9 a.m. to noon.

There will be nature activities, ani m al tracking and art-making. Local artist Lynn Marit Peterson leads the creation of a live painting. RSVPs are required. Further direc tions to Karen’s Preserve will be provided upon reservation. RSVP and info: ryan@eslt.org or (760) 873-4554.

Golf Fun Day

Bishop Chamber of Commerce hosts Golf Fun Day, Saturday, July 28 at the Bishop Country Club. Each hole features a different golf game with prizes. There will be a raffle and BBQ dinner. The raffle grand prize is a La-Z-Boy recliner donated by Fendon’s Furniture.

All levels of golfers, members and non-members welcome. Check-in starts at 3 p.m. The round begins at 4. $40 per person. Register: Bishop Country Club, 760.873.3828.

Bridgeport Fish Fest & Poker Run

The Bridgeport Chamber of Com merce and Twin Lakes Resort present the Bridgeport Fish Fest & Poker Run, July 27-28. Register for fishing tournament by noon on Friday. Weigh in happens at noon on Saturday. Entry fees are $40 for adults, $20 for kids. Grand prizes for biggest fish: $1,000 for adults, $250 for kids. Pick-up poker run packet at Twin Lakes Resort between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday.

At 1 p.m. on Saturday, there will be a party at the resort. Register: twinlakesresort.com/fish-fest or in person at Twin Lakes General Store.

UPCOMING

TOWN STUFF

**July 23-25**


**Monday, July 23**


**Tuesday, July 24**

Bishop Police Officer’s Association and Rudy’s Mad Dogs makes free breakfast burritos. Time: 6-10 a.m. Pick-up and delivery available. Pre- order by texting, 760.937.4060.

**Community After Hours with Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce.** Time: 5-7 p.m. Location: Hayden Cabin, 5439 Sherwin Creek Rd., Mammoth. Free: For Chamber members, $10 for non-members. Info: mammothlakeschamber.org.

**Bishop City Planning Commission meetings.** Time: 6-7 p.m. Location: 301 W. Line St., Bishop.

**Wednesday, July 25**

Sierra Club Highway Cleanup. Location: Crestview Rest Area, Highway-395. Times and Info: Dick, 760.709.5050 or rhine@skidmore.edu.

Wildflowers of Valentine Reserve Hike. Time: 9:30 a.m.-noon. Register: carole.lester@ucsb.edu.


**Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging meets.** Time: 10:30 a.m.-noon. Location: Social Services Conference Room, 3rd floor, Sierra Center Mall, Mammoth.

**AT THE MOVIES**

**Minaret Cinemas**

Skyscraper (PG-13): The Rock saves his family from a skyscraper fire. It’s like the Towering Inferno, but without O.J. Time: 8-10 a.m.

The Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13): Tom Cruise rides a motorcycle, jumps from a plane, swings from a rope to save the world. Time: 11-1 a.m.

**Mammoth Arts and Crafts Fair**

Kittredge Sports and Pacific Fine Arts Festivals presents the 46th an nual Mammoth Open Air Arts and Crafts Fair. The fair grounds are set up around Kittredge Sports on Main St. The fair runs Friday through Sunday, August 3-5, and is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Forty artists will show work, including photography, watercolor, oil painting, ceramics, jewelry, woodwork, glass, personal care and more. Info: pacificfinearts.com

Quake and Shake Races

Sierra Nevada Races hosts the Quake and Shake 10k and half mara thon Saturday, August 4. The course runs by the Inyo craters and through the Crater Flats off Mammoth Scenic Loop. Both races start at 8 am at Inyo Craters turn-off. $30 entry fee. Register: sierra-nevada-races.com. Info: snapshotevents@yahoo.com or Gail, 415.335.0179.

Crayons and Paint

Join Eastern Sierra Land Trust for their second annual Crayons & Paint on Saturday August 4 at Karen’s Preserve. Children ages 5-15 and their families welcome. The event runs from 9 a.m. to noon.

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Mammoth Spa Creations is looking for additional member for it’s team. This is a Full Time, Year Round position. We have an immediate opening for an Office/ Sales Assistant position. This position also offers vacation accrual, benefits and paid holidays. Experience is preferred, but not required. Seeking Dewy or clean, a clean background and clean DMV is required. Please call 924-709-0559 to set up the store located at 1401 Tavern Rd. Mammoth Lakes for more information and to set up an interview.

Part-time night audit position at Mammoth Lodge. Must be available to work 11 p.m.-7 a.m. shifts. Must have work experience demonstrating direct interaction with people. Previous hospitality experience is not required. Starting hourly wage DOE. Deliver resume in person or pick up application at the front desk. We are an equal opportunity employer. Contact: Todd Roberts at 760-934-2414 or toddroberts@mammothsierraonline.com.

DOMINO’S NOW HIRING! Looking for THREE well delivery drivers. Must have a good driving record and good customer service skills. Minimum wage plus tips, the more hours you work the more you make! Come be a part of a fun fast paced team that strives for top quality and service in Mammoth Lakes! Must have your own vehicle, over 18 and have over two years driving experience. Apply in person at 1914 Meridian Blvd. Across from Vons.

Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Coordinator $68,000 - $83,300 + benefits
In partnership with the Town of Mammoth Lakes and Mono County, Mammoth Lakes Recreation is looking for an Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Coordinator to join a growing team of recreation professionals in our local community. If you’re passionate about nature, maintenance and maintenance of sustainable recreation in the Eastern Sierra, visit www.townsfmammothlakes.ca.gov or email cmane@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov to find out more. App. deadline: July 31.

Stellar Brew seeks an experienced kitchen person with a love for food. You will be involved in preparing wraps and salads with an amazing crew of fun hardworking people. You must be self motivated and able to keep up with a fast paced environment. Good $$ and a great team! Send your resume to stellarbrew@gmail.com or call 760-914-1343 for more information.

Elixir Superfood and Juice is now hiring for all positions on its opening team. Seeking hard working, self-motivated and passionate about their work. Compensation and Benefits are experience and flexibility based and competitive. Please submit resume to elr@doubleeagle.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

County of Mono Invites Proposals
The County of Mono invites proposals from companies or law firms interested in providing indigent defense services (including any associated investigative services). Applicants must be attorneys who are active members of the California State Bar. Proposals and a sample contract may be found on the Mono County website at www.mono.ca.gov. Proposals must be received by the Mono County Administrative Office by 5 p.m. August 5, 2018. Proposals must meet the qualifications and satisfy the requirements set forth in the RFP. All questions and concerns should be directed via email to fcf@mono.ca.gov. All questions must be in writing to receive a response.

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Front Desk Attendant. Full and/or part time positions are available. Positions can be seasonal but preferably year round, must be available to work weekends and holidays. Please apply in person at 6800 Minaret Rd, Mammoth.

The Alpenhof Lodge is looking for friendly, fast-paced team oriented individuals to add to our team. We are currently hiring for the following positions: Breakfast Attendant and Housekeeping Full time & part time positions are available. Positions can be seasonal but preferably year round, must be available to work weekends and holidays. Please apply in person at 6800 Minaret Rd, Mammoth.

Mammoth Rock & Bowl/Mammoth Rock Brasserie has the following positions available for Front Desk Attendant and Part-time Housekeeper. Excellent pay DOE. Please contact Todd Roberts at 760-934-2414 or stop by and see us in person at 3905 Main Street in Mammoth Lakes.

*Mono County Librarian, *Mammoth Lakes Director of Special Education/NELPA

Seeking a FT, year-round, skilled worker to work on our Front Desk team. Afternoon and evening positions. Must be willing to work weekends. Individual must be able to lift 10 lbs. and have basic maintenance skills. Position starts at $13/hr. hour. Email Chavel for an application at cmarquez@mammothresorts.com.

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Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates. (cont. page 18)

A copy of the rates shall be posted by the successful bidder at the job site. The successor bidder and all subcontractors (a) shall comply with all applicable Labor Code provisions, which include bid are not limited to the payment of not less than the required payments for all work employed by the Town in the execution of the Contract, the employment of apprentices, the hours of labor and the departure of contractors and subcontractors.

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Since this Project also involves federal funds, each contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, or engage in the performance of any contract for

BIDS are due by 3:00 p.m., Pacific Standard Time, on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, at the Town of Mammoth Lakes, 509 Main Street, Suite R, Mammoth Lakes, California 93546.

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS
CONTRACT NO. 09-1360
PROJECT: 09-1360 BOULEVARD TO LAUREL MOUNTAIN ROAD

In the Town of Mammoth Lakes for

The Town of Mammoth Lakes will receive sealed bids for the work shown on the plans entitled

CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN MENO CONSTRUCTION IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO LAUREL MOUNTAIN ROAD TO BOULEVARD

The Town of Mammoth Lakes, California 93546

July 13, 2018

TELEPHONE: (760) 976-9040

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TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, CALIFORNIA

Jamie Gray, TOWN CLERK
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Order 1246:

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Beach.

“I decided I really didn’t like the traffic,” he said.

He moved home and worked at Wave Rave (and roofed on the side) for seven or eight years.

Wave Rave owner Steve Klassen moved Wright over to work at Green Mammoth when Klassen founded the business in 2011.

Wright eventually bought the business from Klassen.

In the beginning, when it was really busy, his mom worked Sundays and Mondays to give him a break. He taught her what an ounce looks like. Occasionally, she might have confused strands, but she loved talking to the patients. They started to call her mom.

“Last year, it [business] pretty much dropped off,” he said. He thinks everyone’s second job in this town is selling cannabis on the black market. It’s a good time to sell on the black market. Buyers prefer cheap, untested product, to the more expensive, legal version.

Unless things drastically change, Green Mammoth will take a “huge loss” this year. Wright believes approval of his adult-use permit is the drastic change Green Mammoth needs.

Adult-Use Legalization

In May 2016, the state approved Prop 64, the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), making it legal to “possess, transport, purchase, obtain, or give away … cannabis to those 21 years of age or older.”

On March 13, 2018, Mammoth Lakes repealed the cannabis moratorium and made available two adult-use (recreational) permits.

The Haze

“It’s the same product,” Wright said. “One just had to be labeled with a M [for ‘Medical’] and one had to be labeled with an A [for ‘Adult-Use’].” The testing is the same for both.

For buyers it’s different. A patient with a medical card from the county is exempt from the 7.75% sales tax on cannabis purchases. Customers with county cards are scarce—to get a county card, a person has to prove he/she is a resident of the county, go to the county health department to get a prescription, and pay an annual county health department fee. The Mono County fee is $50, if the person has MediCal or Medicaid, or $100 if they don’t.

Adult-use patients avoid an annual fee, but pay more on the purchase. The town taxes medical retailers the same amount as adult-use retailers, 4%.

While we talked, Wright’s phone rang ... and rang. He showed me his received calls list - 21 unique calls from those not entered into his contacts. The callers wanted to know if he sold adult-use cannabis.

Those are twenty-one people I denied,” he said.

Having experience in medical sales could help him with customers who come in with medical problems and want to buy adult-use cannabis.

“We really can’t give out advice. We’re not doctors.”

Wright is practical.

“If someone has anxiety, don’t give them sativa. It’ll probably just amp up their anxiety and give them paranoia.”

Sativa is a strain of cannabis. According to Leafly.com—the Wikipedia of Weed—sativas provide, “Invigorating, uplifting cerebral effects that pair well with physical activity, social gatherings, and creative projects.”

Wright had similar advice, “If you want to be creative, and go wash your car and do your dishes and fold your clothes instead of leaving them on the your bed for a month, maybe smoke some sativa. It’ll motivate you.”

The older crowd worries about getting too high. Wright’s advice: “Take a walk and listen to the wind.”

Kids These Days

It’s not the unadulterated who bother Wright. He loves the older crowd. They tell stories. They call cannabis, ‘dope’. Right now, they make up most of his business.

“I think my average customer base right now is between 35 and 65 and when it changes [to rec use] it’s definitely going to drop down to 21-35,” Wright said.

Usually younger patients come with a more nuanced understanding of the products and their effects. The supposed expertise grinds at Wright.

“Kids nowadays they just come in here and they think they know everything about weed and they want to tell me everything about weed and I’m like man, I’ve been running this shop for 7 years and you want to tell me what’s a sativa or an indica … okay, go ahead.”

He admitted that when he was their age he thought he knew everything about the world.

He can’t stand the phrase, “4:20, bro.”

State approval promises to be bittersweet. The customers will flock in, his profits will increase, he’ll get some sleep, laugh because of the anxiety, but just to laugh. But he might have to hear a lot more “4:20, bro.”
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