WALKING THE WALK

Looking for a good fishing spot? Look no further than the Bishop canal

By Maddux

Last week, we interviewed local fishermen as they tried their luck in the local fishing spot, known as the Canal. “The popular fishery (is) for families (and) kids—it’s a pretty safe place,” said James Erdman, Environmental Scientist at California’s Department of Fish and Game. It is “kind of a local secret,” Erdman said about the Canal. Anglers who know about the spot find it easily accessible by bike, by car, or by foot, Erdman said.

The waters at the Canal are a “blend of warm/cold water (and) quite a variety of fish (are caught ranging from) bass, blue gills, rainbow and brown trout, native Owens River suckers, Tui chub, carp and crawdads,” Erdman said.

As the Canal lies on DWP property, only day fishing is allowed—no camping signs are also posted on the property. However, it is “legal to fish at night in Inyo County—but not Mono County.”

Sheet staffers (coached by Mammoth Track Club’s Andrew Kas-tor) set the times to beat this week for Saturday’s Beer K run at Oktoberfest in the Village at Mammoth. How fast do you think Gorman and Benham can chug three beers and run a kilometer? Find out on p. 18.

BRING ON THE CONSULTANTS!

You can’t court a boondoggle without expensive advice

By Lunch

ow comes the expensive part.

Too bad it only took $6.5 million to reach the starting line.

Mammoth Lakes Town Council began the process of “pre-development” at its regular meeting Wednesday for an envisioned affordable housing project at the 25-acre Shady Rest Parcel (since renamed “The Parcel”).

The Parcel is located behind Center Street and just a block off Main Street.

But before even the first hint of a discussion could be had regarding what the future neighborhood might look like, the renaming of the parcel had already begun in earnest.

Mayor Cleland Hoff suggested the name “Sage Manor.” She did not mention whether or not the project would include a Batshit Cave.

Local resident Sharon Clark suggested “Bare Haven,” although this seems to make little sense as Mammoth does not enjoy a climate conducive to supporting a nudist colony.

*Just called Ms. Clark for clarification. Scratch the above. Bear Haven is her idea. Hmm. This could turn into a competition to see who is best at not locking their dumpsters - Bear Haven or Lupin Street.

Other renaming ideas not shared at Wednesday’s meeting:

- Cle Land
- Saus Air
- Loma Lynda
- Grady Acres
- Dan’s Holler
- Sam’s Clearcut
- The Ghetto/Ghettwo
- The John

Okay, I’m getting to it. Paragraph 11. So what actually happened Wednesday night?

Mammoth’s Council voted unanimously to hire up to three consultants and spend up to $75,000 on them to continue the pre-planning.

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planning.

Additionally, Council gave Town Manager Dan Holler a blank check to hire lots more people to do lots more planning. The specific language: “Authorize the Town Manager to identify and obtain staff resources as necessary to support and advance the eventual development.”

“Wouldn’t you think that Council would, at the very least, require Holler to give Mammoth's first and most successful housing director, Andrea Clark, a call? Never mind that she and her husband build affordable housing for a living. Never mind that she knows this area, this market, still owns a home here ... Now that would be a consultant worth hiring.

So public, let me see if I can distill a few of the issues raised during the 2.5 hours of words devoted to Grady Acres on Wednesday.

MMSA V.P. of Real Estate Tom Hidges noted that the latest Housing survey detected a shortage of nearly 600 units. So we need units. The inference being we need more than the 344 maximum units the property is approved for.

Hogan stressed livability and thinks that 250-300 units is the sweet spot. Further, Hogan thinks the town should build out roads and infrastructure at the site ahead of figuring out exactly what should be built. She thinks it would add some excitement for the public to see work actually being done out there, and that it might prove easier to get grants and subsidies now on the neighborhood build-out.

Councilman John Wentworth tapped the brakes on that one. Get the consultant to tell you what type of development is possible, he said, before you hamstring a potential builder with pre-existing parameters.

During public comment, Ward Jones and Matthew Lehman addressed Council regarding nightly rentals and tax collection.

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Jones and Lehman are concerned about two reasons.

1.) In Jones’s case, as the operator of Holiday Haus, he competes against Airbnb, and he says, “traditional lodging properties are “being held to a higher level,” so there’s the issue of competitive balance.

2.) Jones estimates that we’re losing $200,000 to $300,000 monthly by not having Airbnb collect and pay the appropriate room taxes on local rentals.

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In the meantime, the average price of a Mammoth condo has soared 38%. Lehman said single-family home and condominium prices tend to rise and fall in tandem, but there has been a divergence in that trend over the past few years, which he attributes to rentals.

In short, they urge the Town to revisit cutting a deal with Airbnb on room tax collection.

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FIRE CHIEFS LOBBY SUPES OVER FUNDING

By Gorman

Since among the 11 Mono County fire departments came to the Mono County Board of Supervisors meeting Tuesday in Mammoth to plead their case for continued county funding of emergency services.

At the same meeting, Nancy Mahannah was honored for her 28 years of service to the Public Health Department.

The fire chiefs, led by Mammoth Lakes Fire Department chief Frank Frievalt, made two requests of the supervisors: first, to renew their annual commitment of $170,000 to the First Responders Fund; and second, to roll over the First Responders Fund into the annual operating budget.

After the chiefs finished their hour-long presentation, three of the five supervisors, Stacy Corless, Jennifer Halferty, and Fred Stump, stated that they would support the motion when it comes up.

Mono County does not have a county-wide fire department. The majority of the funding for each of the 11 fire districts comes from the property taxes of the towns and unincorporated areas they serve, but the firemen cited the interdependence of each district as proof that emergency services warrants county funding.

"When Mammoth Lakes surges to 35,000 people, my staff doesn’t change,” said Chief Frievalt. “I rely on other districts for my surge capacity.”

County funding for the First Responder fund comes out of the $1.3 million in tax revenue generated by Proposition 172, which is a half cent sales tax to be dedicated to “local public safety.” The chiefs who stood up to speak to the board of supervisors said that the money they receive from the First Responders Fund ranges from 15-25% of their total budgets.

The budgets for these all-volunteer forces are inadequate considering the massive expenses they face. White Mountain District Chief Dave Doonan said that his annual budget of $44,000 from town property taxes and $11,000 from the county is just enough to keep the doors open. “In the winter it costs $2,300 a month to heat the station.” A fire engine costs $500,000 to 700,000 and it costs $2,700 to dress a single firefighter.

These departments are not limited to firefighting. They deal with extraction, traffic accidents, ice and river rescues, and extreme winter weather emergencies. “Emergency service is a priority among priorities,” said Chief Doonan.

Chief Frievalt concluded the presentation, “I don’t see how you could spend $170,000 at a point of greater leverage.”

Before the board went to closed session, County Director of Finance Janet Dutcher asked the board to approve an engagement letter that would solicit Nixon Peabody LLP to be the bond, tax and disclosure counsel for Mono County’s issuance of tax-exempt bonds.

This will be the first time Mono County has elected to issue bonds, and the revenue from these bonds will support the construction of the Mono County Civic Center.

The Board is financing the deal through the County’s Economic Development Corporation. This allows the County to raise funds for a new office building without having the matter go to a public vote.

The negotiated price for Nixon Peabody’s service is not-to-exceed $90,000 for legal fees and $10,000 for out-of-pocket expenses, both of which are to be covered by the proceeds from the bond issuance.

The board unanimously approved the engagement letter.

LA DEPT WATER & POWER IS PLAYING WITH FIRE!

Last month, a contractor for the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power started a 10 acre fire in Long Valley, on a piece of land that previously had been wetland meadow. LADWP’s decision to dewater Long and Little Round Valley is already causing damage to our local environmental, recreational, economic and cultural assets. BUT YOU CAN STOP THEM!

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Wednesday, September 26 / 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Sierra Event Center - 3343 Main St., Suite A

Join us for a pre-event reception - 5:00 pm at Black Velvet
MCWD WILL HAVE COMPETITIVE ELECTION

By Benham

There are three available seats on the Mammoth Community Water District (MCWD) Board of Directors in November’s election. Two of the seats have four-year terms. The other has a two-year term.

Three people are running for the two-year seat: Kay Hartman, Gary Thompson and Eric Kaufman. We’ll cover that in due time. This article addresses the race for the two four-year seats.

The MCWD board consists of five directors and a secretary. The current secretary is General Manager Pat Hayes. The board sets policy, makes long-term plans, reviews budgets and manages the district’s investment portfolio. Tom Cage and Tom Smith are not up for reelection this year.

In the race for the four-year term seats, Dennis Domaille and Robert Creasy are the incumbents. Domaille was elected in 1990. From 1994-2014, Domaille ran unopposed. So this is his first contested election in twenty-eight years.

The other incumbent, Creasy joined the Board in 2015 when director Gordon Alper died. Creasy beat out thirteen applicants. In 2016, the term expired, so Creasy had to be reelected. He ran unopposed.

Running against these two is Dawn Vereuck. A longtime local business owner, Vereuck recently served as a Mammoth Planning and Economic Development Commissioner.

In separate interviews with The Sheet, Domaille and Vereuck said they do not plan to campaign in the traditional sense: signs, stickers, ads. Only Creasy plans to advertise outside this article.

He figures that he has to spread his message. “I’m not shy about asking questions,” he said. He talked about the job’s time commitment: “about 20 hours a month of meetings and preparation,” Domaille said he sets aside one week per month. Board meeting packets average about 100 pages in length.

Creasy wants MCWD to increase it’s investment in solar to lower operating costs and give the district energy independence. “The district has a solar facility that produces, according to the MCWD website, “up to 2 Million kWh (Kilowatt-hours) of solar power every year.”

Domaille, in his interview with The Sheet, agreed with adding solar. He thinks it would be more effective if the district bought land where it doesn’t snow—he suggested Mojave, CA—to maximize power energy production. Domaille assessed MCWD: “I don’t think a change or change in direction is needed.”

For as long as Domaille has been on the board, MCWD has been part of a dispute. When he arrived in 1991, MCWD was in a lawsuit with the California State Water Board over water rights on Mammoth Creek. He worked on that settlement, which set a cap on how much water MCWD can divert from the creek and gave the district rights to pump groundwater around the creek. A week after MCWD settled with the state water board, DWP filed a complaint, claiming that MCWD didn’t have the right to take water from Mammoth Creek. Domaille helped settle and retained the district’s rights to the creek and groundwater pumping.

According to Domaille, during each dispute, the political pressure from the town and county amounted to them telling the MCWD, ‘Just figure it out already.’ It’s the same with the Ormat conflict, he said.

During his time, the district has reduced its water loss (literally the loss from leakage from pump to tap) from 35-38% to 6% (he said the industry standard is 10%).

Domaille said, “The district should stay out of the political end. Let the town make decisions as far as growth is concerned and we [MCWD] accommodate that growth as best we can.”

Who dares challenge the orthodoxy? Dawn Vereuck. She’s running because she wants to give back to her community. She owns and operates Mountain Living Interiors and Design, a design and construction firm. She moved to Mammoth in 2001. She served on the Chamber of Commerce Board for ten years. She’s been on the Mammoth Lakes Planning Commission, and is currently the Vice President of the Mammoth Lakes Contractors Association.

A lot of her clients are second home-owners and she has to educate them on water policy and code. She sees her out-of-town clientele as an advantage. She has knowledge about a community that, she thinks, gets overlooked.

All three candidates cited MCWD’s dispute with Ormat as the district’s biggest issue. Vereuck imploded, “Make a decision based on science and fact, not emotion.”

If the science shows that Ormat’s drilling doesn’t contaminate MCWD’s groundwater supply, she supports letting Ormat drill. Creasy and Domaille want MCWD to drill test wells to make sure Ormat isn’t contaminating MCWD’s wells.

“I don’t know that our town could exist without groundwater,” Creasy said.

I’m not sure the town could exist without groundwater.

-Robert Creasy

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Local educators concerned about vaping "epidemic"

Principal Dave Kalk says, "It is a no
ticeable problem. The odor from vape
devices can be detected in bathrooms
to output system that allows for the non-
dangerous effects. On campus, vaping far
ceeds regular tobacco – including
candy-like flavors that hide the dan-
gers and marijuana use.

The Mammoth Lakes School Dis-
trict in conjunction with the Police
Department and Department of
Health hosted an informational event
on Thursday 9/20 entitled "Vaping
Epidemic." Parents were invited to
auditorium to learn about the harm
and widespread use of vapes. Debbie
Schnadt, program coordinator for the
Mono County Office of Education,
helped organize the event.

"I believe that the parents left
feeling a sense of community and support on this issue," she said. She
hopes that students will be educated
in small groups during school on the
dangers of vaping, and that parents
understand that this is not a harmless
activity.

"If youth try a vaping product once
or twice- the delivery system of the
cigarette may be enough to trigger a
lifelong addiction," Schnadt claimed.

Heidi Torix, Superintendent of the
Lone Pine Unified School District
said, "Yes, we have found several
vaping devices (or pieces of) around
campus. Two major problems...the
smell goes away (or there isn't any),
so kids are vaping in the restrooms
until some brave soul turns them in.
The second problem is that we've
heard of many of our students put-
ting marijuana in them (or the liquid
form). One student lost a few of his
teeth when the vaporizer blew up in
his mouth (not on school grounds).
"Absolutely, I think drugs, and
namely alcohol among minors, are a
huge problem in Lone Pine."

Christopher Powell, Ed.D., Princi-
pal, Mammoth High School respond-
ed with:

"I'm not sure what problem means
here but generally speaking, when
we've talked with kids, they've esti-
mated that 50-80% of students have
or do vape. That data is from last
year. Verified instances of vaping on
campus seemed to peak late last fall/
winter. I feel that as it relates to vap-
ing, marketing to teens and selling
concentrated levels of a highly addic-
tive substance is a huge problem.
"If epidemic' is referring to wide-
spread growth or use of vapes, I
would say that certainly would have
been an accurate description last
year. It is too early in the year for
me to make a judgement about how
widespread the use is currently."

The Mono County Superintendent
of Schools, Dr. Stacey Adler told The
Sheet:

"According to the CA Healthy
Kids Survey that was given at the
schools last year (and is given every
other year throughout Mono County
to students), Mammoth Unified
School District Student Sample Size:
9th Grade= 84 and 11th Grade= 81
showed that:
• 44% of 9th graders and 44% of
11th graders report having used an
e-cigarette or vaping device
• 66% of 9th graders and 69% of
11th graders report it being easy to
obtain an e-cigarette or vaping device
• 42% of 9th graders and 46% of
11th graders do not see vaping as
harmful."

The subject of vaping and e-cig-
aretes is not a simple issue. Many
adults are not familiar with these
new products or they simply are not
around teenagers.

Next week: The Sheet will report
on the responses we received on
the efforts being undertaken by the
counties and schools to address the
vaping and e-cigarette problems in
their schools. We will also give more
detailed descriptions and examples
of the products being marketed to
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Supreme Court decisions that make up Winkler's history.

He traces the origins of the corporation to societas publicorum around 300 B.C. The book finishes in the recent past with analysis of Citizens United, Hobby Lobby and Mora County's fracking ban.

The book has a consistent rhythm. Winkler introduces a case, delves into history about the legal issues, then reveals the Supreme Court's decision and its ramifications. The structure becomes predictable. In the onslaught of facts and names, this form comforts. An illustration or photo placed about every ten pages breaks the monotony. So do Winkler's anecdotes:

In 1809, the Supreme Court heard cases in Long's Tavern. In 1882, the Court heard cases in the former Senate Chamber where ladies lounged on velvet cushioned benches. The current court is dry and the benches are wooden.

Winkler stays specific but occasionally harkens to the grand. He weaves a narrative of corporate rights as the struggle between two legal ideas: corporate personhood and corporate piercing.

Corporate personhood is the legal idea that a corporation is an independent legal person. Corporate piercing is the idea that a corporation consists of its members, citizens, and should be afforded the rights of those citizens. Before Dartmouth College v. Woodward in 1819, corporations were public entities.

Winkler writes, "The decision established the principle that corporations were creatures of private initiative formed in the marketplace over which states had only limited regulatory authority. They were accountable to their members but not necessarily to the larger public."

At one time, corporations operated for public benefit and not explicitly profit and the many myriad benefits profit brings to the board, the executives and stockholders.

Winkler dispels the contemporary complaint that the reason corporations have too much influence is because they are treated as persons.

Most of the decisions that expanded corporate rights actually ignored the corporation as a legal person and focused on the rights of the corporation's members. Treating the corporation as a person tends to lead to restrictions on corporate rights. Corporations have thrown every argument at the wall. They aren't picky about piercing the corporate veil or considering themselves independent legal persons.

Representing the Southern Pacific Railroad against San Mateo County, Roscoe Conkling did his damndest to convince the court that the drafters of the Fourteenth Amendment, and Conkling was one of them, intended the amendment to extend not just to racial minorities but to corporations.

Conkling had a journal, which Conkling claimed, showed a record of the drafter's true intentions. He brought the journal to court as evidence. Nobody read it. After the case was dropped, someone finally looked at it. The record inside revealed the opposite of what Conkling claimed. He lied, prop in hand, in the highest court in the land.

Southern Pacific Railroad came back versus Santa Clara County and won 14th Amendment protections for corporations, because a Supreme Court reporter freestyled the headnote on the decision. The Court's decision didn't discuss the issue of corporations being considered people by the Fourteenth Amendment, but the headnote did. Corporations had equal protection under the law and due process because of a bogus headnote.

In Blazing Saddles, lack of precedent didn't stop District Attorney Hedley Lamar from trying a land snatch on Rock Ridge. And it hasn't stopped corporations from snatching rights.
**LOCAL BRIEFS**

**Cannabis permit issued**

The Mono County Planning Commission approved the first conditional use permit for commercial cannabis in the county's history.

John DeCoster received the permit for his property at 2555 Highway 158 in June Lake.

The permit is for the property and not the operations. DeCoster will have to receive an operational permit from the board of supervisors, which will allow DeCoster to run his shop. The name of the shop is High Sierra June Lake. DeCoster runs Insane Audio, an audio systems manufacturer for off-road vehicles, out of the building on the property.

Initially High Sierra June Lake and Insane Audio will operate in the same building. The dispensary will start in a 100 square foot side room and then expand to 457 square feet.

County regulation prohibits pot shops from being within 600 feet “of schools providing instruction to kindergarten or any grades 1 through 12, day care or youth centers, parks, ballfields, playgrounds, libraries, community centers, and licensed child care facilities.” High Sierra June Lake passes this criterion.

All pot shops are required to create odor mitigation plans. DeCoster’s passed.

-Benham

**IKON Pass Price Increase**

DENVER, CO, September 19, 2018 – The Ikon Pass, now offering skiers and riders access to 36 destinations across three continents, will see a price increase of $50 on October 10, 2018.

IKON PASSES: Offering unlimited access to 14 destinations and 7-days or 7-days combined at 21 destinations, with zero blackout dates. More Benefits: 10 Friends & Family lift tickets offering 25% off of the window rate at any Ikon Pass destination (excluding CMH), with no blackout dates.

Before Oct. 10 | As of Oct. 10
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Adult = $999 | Adult = $1,049
Teen = $819 | Teen = $869
Child = $549 | Child = $599

IKON BASE PASS: Offering unlimited access to 12 destinations and 5-days or 5-days combined at 23 destinations, with 10 blackout dates. More Benefits: 8 Friends & Family lift tickets, good for 25% off the window rate at any Ikon Pass destination (excluding CMH), with select blackout dates.

Before Oct. 10 | As of Oct. 10
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Adult = $699 | Adult = $749
Teen = $579 | Teen = $629
Child = $399 | Child = $449

-Maddux

**From left, Mayor Pro Tem of Bishop and brother-in-law to Ellis family, Jon Ellis, Community Services Secretary for City of Bishop Karey Poole, Bishop McDonalds owner, Kevin Mazzu, Alix and Rick Ellis, and Karen Hooper, Executive Director of Inland Empire at Ronald McDonald House. Front row, Bodie Ellis, son of Rick and Alix Ellis.**

After 8 a.m. on Saturday morning Sept. 15, runners in Bishop lined up at the starting line; young families with little kids dressed up in red and white striped socks, and some in pink tutus. Through the Ronald McDonald House 5k walk/run, Alix Ellis mother of Bodie Ellis, said that she wants to “[bring] positive awareness to just how much support and love the Inland Empire Ronald McDonald House gives to Inyo/Mono County families with children [facing] medical needs.”

Ellis said “in 2011, my son was born 5-weeks early and we were flown to Reno to have him. Three days after he was born they realized that they had a kidney disease, so we were then flown to Loma Linda Children’s Hospital. We got there on a Friday night and we did not know where we were going. We left our three little kids home and once we got to the hospital, they were like go across the street—go check into The Ronald McDonald House. We knew about the Ronald McDonald House, because my younger sister had her son and stayed and lived there for two-months. So, we knew they existed and helped people who needed to stay near the hospital,” she said. Alix Ellis also said that “you do not want to worry about the little things—[sometimes] you just do not remember to eat and there is so much going on. We were blessed enough to stay there for two-months, they only charged us $10 a night and if you cannot pay that they won’t even charge you that,” she said. Bodie still goes down to the hospital at Loma Linda for surgeries and procedures, and doctor’s appointments and “they still allow us to stay when we come down, because we drive four-and-a-half hours from Bishop to get there,” Alix Ellis said.

Karen Hooper, Executive Director of Inland Empire at Ronald McDonald House, said there are “twelve houses in California and six fall [into] our chapter,” she said. The Inland Empire location has been there twenty-two years and “opened Sept. 12, 1996 [and is] adjacent to the Loma Linda Children’s hospital,” Hooper said.

-Maddux

**LOCAL NEWS**
KEEP ON KEEPIN’ LONG VALLEY GREEN

By Benham

Every meeting should start with deviled eggs, Oreos and coffee. On Tuesday night at the Crowley Lake Community Center about forty people gathered to hear Matt McClain, Executive Director of Mammoth Lakes Recreation (MLR), speak about the Keep Long Valley Green campaign. The event was sponsored by the Sierra Club, one of four non-governmental organizations which has created the campaign: MLR, the Sierra Club Range of Light Group, Friends of the Inyo, and Eastern Sierra Land Trust.

Although it’s not mentioned in the campaign’s name, Little Round Valley is also part of the dewatered area. Perpendicular to the snack table, another table offered stationery and postage for people to send letters to Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti. Sharon Clark explained the concept of return addresses to a grade school boy wearing a Dodgers t-shirt.

MLR’s McClain explained the history of the Crowley Lake Basin, how DWP’s dewatering has already impacted Little Round and Long Valleys, and how the audience could participate in the campaign to re-water those areas. The dewatering dispute is about wetland and meadowland habitat, cattle, native plant species, invasive plant species, the Crowley Basin viewshed and much more. The battle is being fought in court by Mono County and in the public domain by Keep Long Valley Green.

The movement wants to raise awareness and tell people how to participate. The crowded audience listened to McClain explain the history of the Crowley Lake Dam, how it was built in 1941, the Crowley Lake Basin was wetland and meadowland. When DWP flooded the basin to create Crowley Lake, the wetlands migrated to higher ground. McClain told the audience. He referenced a USGS topographical map from 1937, which showed wetlands at the bottom of the Crowley Lake Basin where Crowley Lake currently sits. By defining the dewatered area as wetland, the opposition can prove that the ecosystems need to be irrigated.

Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), damaged or destroyed ecosystems must be replaced with ecosystems with an equivalent function. CEQA didn’t exist in 1941. But the wetlands and meadows lost from the flooding were replaced by the formation of wetlands around the lake.

How will the utility from Los Angeles mitigate the current damage? That’s a question for the court.

The lack of water has already impacted the land. McClain showed photos of mustard and cheatgrass—both invasive species—and the Lacey and Kemp leased ranch lands. Dry land and a DWP drone created a fire. Fire doesn’t require drones to start. Lightning strikes are actually more common than DWP negligence... maybe.

The dewatering increases the amount of dust. The exact effects of the dust aren’t known. An environmental impact report would define them.

DWP is doing an EIIR on new waterless leases. There’s a public comment session on Wednesday, September 26 at the new Polo Event Center, in the Promenade on Main Street in Mammoth. It’s at 6 p.m.

“Know that the success of this campaign is based on how well we as a community communicate our concerns,” McClain said.

Fred Stump, Mono County Supervisor District 2, told people to remain patient and “to keep emotions out of this.” Mono County has hired a team of scientists (mentioned in last week’s edition of The Sheet in “MONO COUNTY V. LADWP”)

MLR has joined Keep Long Valley Green to protect fisheries in the Crowley Lakes Basin, McGee Creek and the Upper Owens River are two that McClain is particularly concerned about. Hunting and camping could also take hits.

“There is no one site of battle,” McClain said. McClain has experience in environmental movements. He worked with the Surfrider Foundation on the Save Trestles campaign, a fight about the expansion of a toll road on public land at San Onofre State Beach. The movement advocated on behalf of surfers to save the Trestles break. Surferdog organized support for other interests and 3,500 people showed up to a Coastal Commission meeting to witness the decision. The commission vetoed the toll road.

“We are going to be the one mosquito to stick in DWP’s tent that keeps them up at night,” McClain said.
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The Sheet interviewed anglers at the bridge on Line Street as well as behind Kmart to ask what they had caught, how often they came to the popular fishing spot, and what they used to catch fish in the Canal.

Fred Rowe, owner of Sierra Bright Dot Flyfishing and Outdoor Editor at The Inyo Register, comes to the Canal, as much as five times a week. Rowe only fishes with a fly-fishing pole and “usually catches brown trout and rainbow trout (and) also carp and bass depending upon where you go,” he said.

Rowe likes to “match the hatch.” This fishing technique is best used when we try to “identify what insects are available to the trout and specifically what a trout is feeding on. The best way to do it, is to use a stomach pump because that shows us what a specific trout is feeding on,” he said. Using the sampling of one fish is not enough, but sampling “2 or 3, (and) up to 4 fish gives me an idea of what all the fish are feeding on. Then I can tie on a fly to imitate the insect the fish is feeding on.”

Young Bishop resident John McMurtie, 12, said he tries his best to come out to the canal every week. As I spoke with him, he caught two rainbow trout using a lure. He has been coming to this spot “since first grade … my dad would bring me down to the canal,” McMurtie said.

Husband and wife, Michael and Rachel Brode, also residents of Bishop, moved to the area three years ago and began fishing at the Canal six months later, Michael said. Michael often comes to the canal, but Rachel tries to come at least once a week. While Rachel caught a rainbow trout, her husband Michael said “when going to the Owens River [you do not] always catch one, if you come here you always get one,” he said. They mostly use nightcrawlers and sometimes lures.

The fishing spot is also popular to those who live outside of the area as “a lot of tourists know about it from the locals,” said Jeff Nelmus of Reagan’s Sporting Goods in Bishop. Visalia Calif. resident, Matt Swanson said he found out about the spot from friends in Visalia, who help with the Mule Days, and told him to “check out the canal behind K-Mart,” he said. On a Monday morning, Swanson caught a 6-inch brown trout using a mayfly on a fly pole.

The fishing season at the Canal opens the last weekend in April and closes on Nov. 15th.
A MODERN DAY MUIR

John Muir hated domestic sheep. He called them walking locusts, said that “a sheep can hardly be called an animal; an entire flock is required to make one foolish individual.” He spent weeks with a flock in the high Sierra and concluded that “sheep brain must surely be poor stuff.”

And he was not commonly known for hating animals. He once described a grasshopper approaching his camp as a “crisp, electric spark of joy enlivening the massy sublimity of the mountains like the laugh of a child.” He wished goodnight to a bug in his ear, “restless, fussy fly with gauzy wings stirring the air around all the world.” He described a bear that nearly mauled him as a “rugged boulder of energy in groves and gardens as fair as eden.”

This man hated domestic sheep. Was Muir wrong?

“He had no idea how bad they really were.” That’s what Dr. John Wehausen, who spoke at the Mono Basin Scenic Area Visitor Center this Thursday, told me.

Dr. Wehausen gave a presentation entitled “Close Up with Sierra Bighorn,” in which he discussed the center’s exhibit on the species that he has spent four and a half decades studying. A species that just last year he watched, “die like flies,” in the Mojave desert from exposure to a disease carried by domestic sheep.

“The greatest threat to Bighorn sheep today in the Sierra is contact with domestic sheep,” said Dr. Wehausen. “If there is contact, we could have a complete pneumonia epizootic that will take out a whole population.”

Dr. Wehausen hates domestic sheep. Little surprise that the Oakland Museum called him The Modern Muir, but the similarities run deeper than a disdain for domestic sheep.

“Muir was an inspiration to me as a naturalist, as a scientist, as a conservationist, and as someone who went into the wilderness alone.” When Wehausen was an undergraduate at Berkeley he slept in the Sierra for two weeks without a sleeping bag, “just to see what it was to live that way, and to see what Muir did.”

Dr. Wehausen began as a botanist, like Muir. In 1974, one of his professors introduced him to the plight of the Sierra Bighorn.

In 1999, when their numbers dropped below 100 animals, Dr. Wehausen wrote the petition that got the Sierra Bighorn on the endangered species list. Around the same time he became a molecular geneticist. A breakthrough allowed scientists to perform DNA research using animal droppings, and Dr. Wehausen saw an opportunity:

“I thought that was cool because that allows us to answer questions that we never could before.” This is because scientists had to catch an animal in order to extract DNA from it, which is hard when the population is limited. Extracting DNA from droppings allows scientists to study a much larger population.

Dr. Wehausen has thousands of DNA samples from these animals, so many that he has opened his own genetics lab in Bishop. DNA study of the Bighorn is important because its greatest weakness is a lack of genetic diversity. That’s what makes them susceptible to disease from domestic sheep.

Dr. Wehausen’s efforts have been to increase the genetic diversity of the Bighorn in order to increase its disease resistance.

“They are at the low end of genetic diversity,” said Dr. Wehausen. “We select animals with high heterozygosity [high genetic diversity] and move them into populations where they are needed.”

This is a long term process, but Dr. Wehausen’s efforts have yielded results. Since getting the Sierra Bighorn on the endangered species list, 14 different populations have emerged in the Sierra. The number of sheep is now up to around 650, and it would be higher if not for the harsh winter of 2016-2017.
BARS & MUSIC
Happy Hour/
The Liberty Sports Bar and Grill
Free tasting hour 3-4 p.m. Monday, All Night Happy Hour 4 p.m. -close), Tues-Friday, Happy Hour from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday: $2.50 Tacos 4-9 pm; Wing Wednesday 50% off all wings 6-9 p.m. Thursday: Burger; Beer special 6-9 p.m. See ad, p. 9.
Mammoth Rock ’N Bowl
Monday: $4 games @ 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, plus shoes. Friday and Saturday: Cosmic Bowling 9 p.m. Saturday-Sunday: Kids bowl free 4-7 p.m. See ad, p. 11.
Petra’s Bistro & Wine Bar
Monday-5-7 p.m. daily. $5-10 menu items and drink specials. See ad, p. 19.
Clocktower Cellar Happy Hour: 4:30-7 p.m. daily. $5 dollar menu items, drink specials. Sunday: open at 10 a.m. for football. See ad, p. 15.
Austria Hof Happy Hour: 5-7:30 p.m. daily. Tuesday: Baja fish tacos, $3.50. Thursday: Poke tacos 3/39. See ad, p. 8.
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Mammoth Tavern Happy Hour Tuesday-Sunday 3:30-5:30 p.m. Closed Mondays.
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Shelter Distilling (Village at Mammoth): free tasting hour 3-4 p.m. Black Doubt Live Music Friday! 6pm Driftwood Creek

BARS & MUSIC
Sunday, Sept. 23/
Groove Crater Method plays Black Doubt Brewery. Time: 7-9 p.m.

TOWN STUFF
Sept. 21-23/
Kamikaze Bike Games hosted by Mammoth Mountain. Three days of bike races and vendor expo. Info: kamikazebikegames.com.

Friday, Sept. 21/
Bodie Photo Day. All day pass is $100/person. Access includes 30 minutes after sunset. No inside building access. Info: bodiefoundation.org/bodie-photo-day or 760.616.0591.

Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre presents Dreamscape. Times: Sat. @ 7 p.m., Sun. @ 4 p.m. Location: Edision Theatre, 100 College Parkway. Mammoth. Tix: online $20/adult, $18/student or senior, $10/child; $22 at door. More info: see ad p. 2.

Saturday, Sept. 22/
Sand Canyon Stewardship Project. Time: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Location: meet @ gravel pit on Sky Meadow Rd. More info: see side bar column next page.

Friends of the Inyo botany hike. Time: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Location: meet Rock Creek Resort. Info: 760.873.6500.

South Mono Lake tufa walk with Mono Lake Committee. Time: 1-2 p.m. $3/person. Directions/Info: 760.647.6595.

Sunday, Sept. 23/
Sierra Club hike. Route: 13 mi. round trip, Lake George-Deer Lakes-Lake George. Time/Location: meet @ Rock Creek Resort. Info: 760.873.6500.

Monday, Sept. 24/
 Rupert’s Bistro & Wine Bar
Happy hour: 5-7 p.m. daily. $5-10 menu items and drink specials. See ad, p. 19.

More info: see side bar column next page.

ML Chamber of Commerce presents Business After Hours with Volunteer Eastern Sierra. Time: 5-7 p.m. Location: Mammoth Brewing Co. Free for chamber members, $10/non-member. Info: info@mammothlakeschamber.org.

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**Oktoberfest**

The Village hosts Oktoberfest Friday, September 21 through Saturday, September 22. This year there will be more booths for food and more kids games. Polka band West Coast Prost and “ Oktoberfest Party band” Flaminghaus will play live music. On both days, the event starts at noon and goes until 9:30 p.m. Friday’s highlights: ceremonial keg tapping at 2 p.m., 1st Annual Bier Run at 3 p.m. (online registration required). Saturday’s highlights: keg toss at 1:30 p.m., stein holding at 3 p.m., tug of war at 4 p.m. Mono Arts Council offers arts and crafts for kids. Info: mammothoktoberfest.com.

**Pabanamanina Pow Wow**

The Pabanamanina Pow Wow returns to Bishop on September 28-30 at Paiute Palace Casino’s new Pow Wow Grounds. There will be a parade, games for the kids, music, a free barbecue on Saturday and a Native American artists selling wares, an honoring of local veterans and the crowning of Miss Pabanamanina and a junior counterpart. The Pow Wow is a family friendly, drug and alcohol free event. Gate hours: Friday-Sunday, Noon-7 p.m.

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**TOWN STUFF**

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**Tuesday, Sept. 25 (cont.)/**

**Bishop Planning Commission meets.** Time: 6:00 p.m. Location: City Council Chambers, City Hall. **All day Girls Soccer fundraiser** @ Roberto’s Cafe in Mammoth Lakes. Portion of proceeds goes to the MHS Girls Soccer program. See ad p. 7.

**Wednesday, Sept. 26/**

**Sierra Club highway clean-up.** Time/Location: meet @ Crestview Best Area off SR 395 at 8 a.m. Info: 760.709.5050 or rhl@skidmore.edu.

**Bishop Planning Commission meets.** Time: 5:15 p.m. Location: City Council Chambers, City Hall. **Mammoth Lakes Town Council meets.** 6 p.m. Location: Suite Z, Minaret Mall. **Pint$ for Non-Profits an ESLT fundraiser.** Organized by Adventure HUB. Rick Kattelman to speak about snow in Central Asia and the Sierra. Time: 5-8 p.m., presentation @ 6. Location: Mammoth Brewing Co. Info: 707.498.3927.

**Public comment sessions for DWP’s Long and Little Round Valley Environmental Impact Report.** Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Location: Sierra Event Center, 3343 Main St. Suite A, Mammoth. More info: see sidebar column this page & ad p. 4.

**Thursday, Sept. 27/**

**Bishop Paiute Community Market.** Time: 5-8 p.m. Location: GVSS Culture Center, 2300 W. Line St., Bishop. **Flu vaccine clinics,** organized by Mono Country Health Department. Locations/Times: Chalfant Community Center 5-6 p.m., Benton Community Center 6:30-7:00 p.m. More info: see ad p. 5.

**Astronomy Fall Lecture Series, presented by CCCC and OVRO. Speaker: David Farnocchia. Subject: “Oumuaua: The First Interstellar Visitor”.** Time: 6-7 p.m. Info: 760.358.6410.

**Friday, Sept. 28/**

**Caldera 150/250/500 Grand Depart, sponsored by The Maven Bike Shop & SEMA.** Time: 7 a.m. Location: Maven Bike Shop, 3399 Main St., Mammoth. Info: ftabikemammoth.com.

**Nawankani-T Famer’s Market.** Time: 5:30-8 p.m. Location: next to Big Pine Tribal Office.

**Mono County Board of Supervisors special meeting.** Time: 1 p.m. Location: Suite Z, Minaret Mall. **Flu vaccine clinic,** organized by Mono Country Health Department. Location: Walker Senior Center. Time: 1-3 p.m. More info: see ad p. 6.

**Bishop Union Football plays Sierra.** Time: 7 p.m. Location: 301 N. Fowler St.

**Saturday, Sept. 29/**

**Bridgeport Autumn Festival.** Food, drinks, live music, vendors, pumpkin patch and kids games. More info: see sidebar column this page & ad p. 4.

**Bodie Hills Stewardship Day.** Location: Bishop Visitor Center, 1 Visitor Center Dr., Lee Vining. Time: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. RSVP: julie@friendsofinyo.org.

**June Lake Autumn Beer Festival, presented by June Lake Brewing Co. Beer garden, stein holding competition, food, arts and crafts. Info: JLB, 858.668.6340.

**Hot Havana Nights Fundraiser.** Time: 5 p.m. Location: Bishop Country Club, 3343 Main St., Mammoth. More info: see sidebar column this page.

**Sunday, Sept. 30/**

**Sierra Club hike.** Location/Meeting: meet @ Lee Vining Canyon USFS Station at 8:30 a.m. Info: 760.914.3016, amazinglynn@yahoo.com.

**Elks Golf Tournament.** Time: 9 a.m. start. Location: Bishop Country Club. Info: steve@bishopcountryclub.com

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- Recruiter $12 - $20
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- Administrative Assistant $15 - $22
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Mammoth Spa Creations seeks Office Associate position, which includes vacation accrual, benefits and paid holidays. Experience preferred. Some heavy lifting, a clean background and clean DMV is required. Call 760.924.0523 or 760.873.8599 to speak with Ward ext. 221.

Vacation rental company, Experience in the ski industry is important skill in the ski industry. Email footloose@footloosesports.com, or stop by the store at 1401 Tavern Rd. in Mammoth to fill out an application.

The Alpenhof Lodge is accepting applications for winter employment. We are looking for full and part time team members for year round and seasonal positions. All positions must have availability for weekends and holidays. Day, evening and night shifts are available. Please apply in person at 6080 Minaret Rd, Mammoth.

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Full time retail sales position in Bistro/sports goods store. Friendly, self-starter, experienced. Management and pay based on experience. Apply at Mammoth Rock & Bowl. Fax your resume and/or email to orders@mammothgreek.com.

Subway of Mammoth is looking for talented and motivated people to join our team. We are accepting applications for FT/PT Sandwich Artists and Management positions. Apply in-store or at Subway.com.

Mammoth Spa Creations has a FT position in spa maintenance. Position offers vacation accrual, benefits and paid holidays. Experience preferred. Some heavy lifting, a clean background and clean DMV is required. Call 760.924.3901 or stop by the store at 1401 Tavern Rd. in Mammoth.

Come work at the premier sports shop in Mammoth Lakes! We are looking for an experienced year-round Full-Time Sales Associate. Submit your resume at footloose@footloosesports.com, or stop by the store to fill out an application. Tonik is now hiring! Part-time / year-round. Come by to pick up and application 501 Old Mammoth Rd.

DOMinos in Bishop will be opening very soon and we are looking for applicants for all positions. Assistant Manager - Customer Service Representatives - Drivers - Pizza Makers - Shift Runners. Come be a part of the comeback of Dominos. There is plenty of opportunity for growth and advancement. We are looking for people with great energy and a drive to work and succeed. Dominos is a great place to work. Whether its an after school job or a Full Time position, we have something for you. Come work in a brand new 2 door freezer in a fun environment. We strive to have our employees comfortable and happy because we want to have the happiest customers while providing excellent customer service. Please email thomasdou1996@yahoo.com. Customer service 985 - 9050 or Text (760) 985 - 9050. We will provide an application if you’re interested. Training for some positions will require commute to Mammoth before the store is open October 1st. mileage compensation will be provided! So come join a great team, we cant wait to hear from you.

Mammoth Chevon Auto, Truck and RV is looking for a Full time mechanic for its busy shop. Year round positions available. Very competitive wages, health benefits commensurate with knowledge and experience. Call Karl at 760.934.8111 or email at karl@mammothchevon.com.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
- Laquena Sierra Collection Deborah Hutstull Flavin P.O. Box 2801, 457 Wagon Wheel Rd. Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546
- This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant plans to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on November 15, 2018. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on September 12, 2018. File Number 18-148 2018-0175 (9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6)
- Fictitious Business Name Statement The Following Person Is Doing Business As: Laquena Sierra Collection

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MAMMOTH LAKES, CA — The Town of Mammoth Lakes is accepting sealed bids for the purpose of selling the Davison Property located at 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite R, Mammoth Lakes, California 93546. Bids will be received by the Clerk of Mono County on August 27, 2018.

SECTION ONE: The statements set forth above are true and correct.

SECTION TWO: Pursuant to Government Code section 25539, the Town of Mammoth Lakes hereby notifies all persons or families of low or moderate income pursuant to Government Code section 25539.4, that the Davison Property should be sold at less than fair market value for the purpose of providing housing affordability to persons or families of low or moderate income. The Davison Property is hereby declared surplus real property (APN 20166 and 20167) and is available for sale at a minimum bid of $150,000.00.

The Town of Mammoth Lakes will receive sealed bids for the work shown on the plans entitled: "NEW CONCRETE WORK FOR FRONTAGE ROAD PARKING STALLS." In the Town of Mammoth Lakes for The Town of Mammoth Lakes, C.A. (P.O. Box 495, Bishop, CA 93514). The Davison Property Bids will be received at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Mammoth Lakes at 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite R, Mammoth Lakes, California 93546 until 4:00 PM on Thursday October 11, 2018 at which time they will be publicly opened.

Proposal forms and Contract Documents for this work are available for downloading at the website http://www.mammothlakes.ca.gov., or may be obtained at the Town Offices of The Town of Mammoth Lakes, 93546.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the conference room at the Town Offices at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, to discuss the plans and specifications for the work described herein.

Conviction of a person or entity on or for any informality or irregularity in a bid. The Town of Mammoth Lakes will receive sealed bids for the purpose of providing housing affordability to persons or families of low or moderate income. The Davison Property is hereby declared surplus real property (APN 20166 and 20167) and is available for sale at a minimum bid of $150,000.00.

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Mammoth’s Oktoberfest begins Friday at 2 p.m. with the ceremonial tapping of the keg in The Village. This will be the third annual event, and the festivities at this year’s edition will include competitions of strength and stamina, live Oom-pah bands, a kindergarten where kids can make crafts, and, most important, authentic Bavarian beer and food.

“Everyone is just there to eat and drink,” Rob and Heather Schaubmayer told me. “It’s our favorite event of the year.”

I met with the Schaubmayers, who run the Oktoberfest along with Kirk and Stacy Schaubmayer and Lynn and Stu Need, at the Clocktower Cellar to experience firsthand what festival-goers can look forward to.

“We have one of only ten ceremonial kegs of Weihstephaner that has ever been brought into the U.S.,” Rob told me. The wooden keg will be pierced in the traditional style to begin the celebration, and there will be no shortage of food for festival-goers to enjoy with their Weihstephaner.

The chefs are preparing schweinbraten, pork shoulder braised in caraway seed and dark beer; leberkase, which the Schaubmayers described to me as “the best bologna you’ve ever had;” rotisserie chickens; and high quality sausages.

To help digest all that meat, the Oktoberfest will have plenty of Underberg, an herbal digestif that tastes like floral Jagermeister. The Schaubmayers and I had a few Underbergs during the course of our interview. You are supposed to suck the liqueur out of a tiny bottle without using your hands. Rob explained to me how it aids digestion.

“Your body thinks that it’s being poisoned so it tries to get everything out ... It doesn’t give you the runs or anything.”

If intentional poisoning is not your bag, then you can look forward to the Oktoberfest games. There will be a tug-of-war, a men’s and women’s keg toss, an endurance stein hold, and a one kilometer Bier Run. The winners will receive prizes, including a free stein and Underberg merchandise.

Before my meeting with the Schaubmayers, the staff of The Sheet pre-ran the Bier Run course. Andrew Kastor, coach of the Mammoth Track Club, designed the course. It’s three 330 meter laps through The Village, starting and ending at Gomez Restaurant. Each runner must drink a beer before running a lap.

Andrew came and held the watch as Benham and I set the bar on the virgin course. Benham, a self-described “average recreational athlete,” would outdo me on each of the beer chugging segments, but I had him on the running. The time to beat this weekend: 5:15. Benham came in at 6:56. Most of the beer didn’t stay down. There will be trash cans lining the course. Suggestion: Have a toothbrush handy before kissing anyone at the finish line.

It wasn't great fun, but we gained some sage wisdom from the experience - drinking beer, even in pain, beats working.
TAKE TOMLIN WITH YOU
By Hartley

This week’s select picks:
Tampa Bay laying 6.5 to the Colts.
Wentz is back. Luck is back. The media’s dream matchup for big white QBs. A neck-bearded, Rainman-like character with a mountainous brother with his eyes 14 inches apart going head to head. The Eagles aren’t starting the season 1-2. Bounce back game.

Steelers laying 1 point at Tampa. This line, basically says Vegas doesn’t see the Bucs and Ryan Fitzpatrick going 3-0. That is the only reason for this line. I don’t see why the Steelers would win. Besides, James Harrison is gone. The Steeler defense has NO ONE to cover DeSean Jackson and NO ONE to pressure the QB. I wanna take the Steelers just because you can’t see them going 0-2-1. But they aren’t good. At all.

The Steelers are trendsetters. They hired Tony Dungy as one of the first black coordinators in the NFL. He may have been the first. They ushered in the Rooney Rule. Oddly enough, Dungy was the one that gave the Steelers’ current head coach his first job in Tampa. But the Steelers are trendsetting in a not-so-good way this year. They are openly supporting the NFL’s new focus on safety and tackling by ... NOT TACKLING ANYONE.

Antaeus Davis, CB, Buffalo Bills. Last week he became the first known player to retire at halftime of a game. A game he started. I heard some people making excuses for him on the radio and television, but ... come on man. Are the wings in Buffalo really good that good? The Patriots traded for WR Josh Gordon. In all the years of Pats trades and pickups, this one wreaks the most of desperation.

And I say wreaks versus reeks because something like this - you can lose people.

The Pats want smart players and disciplined players - players they can COUNT ON. Players who DO THEIR JOBS. And they mysteriously trade for a player who has played like 11 games in 4 years and been suspended more than I was in a school. They traded for him for one reason.

To run deep and take the coverage to open up Gronk, Dorsett and the RBs for passing underneath. But Gordon is being traded by a dysfunctional franchise which finally had had enough. He missed practices and meetings and they said “he wasn’t himself when he showed up last Saturday.” They think he is drinking because that doesn’t violate his substance abuse program. So he replaced pot with alcohol. You may be able to get away with that at Jack in the Box, but not in the NFL.

Enough of the Josh Gordon experiment. Brown Coach Hue Jackson was gung ho a few weeks ago. Knocks that “The Eagle has landed” as soon as Gordon’s plane landed in Cleveland. Now he is gone. That says enough.

I was looking for a movie or new show to watch and see they are rolling out a new show ... MAGNUM PI. What??? That show sucked the first time around. But now they have changed it all up. MAGNUM IS LA-NICE. That makes it totally different. But his best friend 1C is still a bulky black guy. Nothing new - recycle some old s&s. There is a reason I got a fire stick and watch a bunch of Amazon and Netflix shows now. At least they try something new. Ozark. Last Chance University. Great shows. I will say, watch the new Jack Ryan series. SMOKING. After you get over the main character being from The Office, it is phenomenal.

You ever looked at a person and wondered ... where do you get the energy to be miserable all day? Some days, I have people walk in and I know ... that bastard is miserable. You say “good morning” and they grunt like a constipated rhinoceros and storm by. Okay. But there is a reason I say “GOOD MORNING” instead of “How are you today?” Because if you ask that wannabemiserable person how they are doing you know “Not good” or “could be better” is coming.

Well, you’re that person, and you want to know why you are not good or could be better, here’s the truth for you: because you are a miserable, self-loathing F**k. You woke up this morning wanting to be miserable. Some people are literally not happy if they don’t have something to whine or complain about. It is tiring.

When I get up, I want to have a good day. I want to have fun. I want to laugh. How do you wake up and look for what could go wrong or be messed up that day. If you wake up that way, stay home. Don’t go to work. Don’t go to school. Don’t infect the rest of the world with your mentality.

So here’s some advice. Get a gaggle of cats and leave the general population alone.

And take the Steelers head coach with you.
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