DELAYED GRATIFICATION
Fishing opener likely delayed
By Mike
The seemingly inevitable postponement of the 2020 fishing opener has become a contentious issue in California amid coronavirus concerns. Across the state, fishermen are voicing their opinions to California’s Fish and Game Commission, which last week hosted a teleconference meeting discussing a possible delay to the fishing opener in certain rural counties.

Going with the trend of ‘better safe than sorry,’ three counties, Inyo, Mono, and Alpine all sent letters to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife requesting the state delay the opener in these counties in accordance with Governor Newsom’s ‘stay at home’ policy. Other counties, such as El Dorado, Humboldt and Sacramento, have not asked for a delay, and feel fishing is an activity that can be practiced while ‘social distancing.’

The letters sent by Inyo and Mono counties to the State caused an uproar among fishermen who believe it is their constitutional right to fish as they please. They feel a potential delay would amount to government overstepping its boundaries.

This led to fishermen storming (by telephone) an April 9 meeting of the Fish and Game Commission. Describing the incident, Washington Post reporter Antonia Noori Farzan wrote, “Before a virtual meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission could even get started on Thursday, it melted down into complete chaos and anarchy … More than 500 unruly anglers dialed into the conference call, flooding the line with racial slurs and recorded sermons. ‘Fascists!’ one yelled as officials repeatedly asked callers to put themselves on mute. ‘Make fishing great again’ declared another.”

The meeting was summarily cancelled and rescheduled for this past Wednesday. During its four-hour Titanic-length meeting Wednesday, the Fish and Game Commission limited the dial-in free-for-all, but let every member of the public speak. At one point, there were 40 people in the queue.

The public had some strong opinions. For the most part, folks were understanding of Mono, Inyo, and Alpine Counties requesting a delay. After all, where would anyone even stay given the current moratorium on nightly rentals.

There was a suggestion that perhaps eastern Sierra fisheries could open on-time for locals only, but this generated significant hostility. “Shutting down fishing in areas for everyone except those who live there is unconstitutional,” some huffed.

The Fish and Game Commission voted Wednesday to give CDFW (California Department of Fish and Wildlife) Director Charlton Bonham emergency powers through May 31.

Bonham now has the legal authority to amend rules regarding fishing season. He had not made any announcements as of press time Thursday, but Mono County Supervisor Stacy Corless believes the granting of such powers makes the delay of fishing opener inevitable.

Bonham and Fish and Game Commission members said, “This has never been about closing the fishing season in California … this will be limited in scope and time.”

Corless weighs in
“[When we sent the original letter] we thought opening up the Eastern Sierra fishing season...”

TIOGA’S INN
... after a seven-hour quarantine at Mono County Planning Commission
By Page
Does anyone remember what happened in 1993? I personally don’t, as I wasn’t alive, but for reference, Bill Clinton was president. Monica Lewinsky was still in college and Michael Jordan led the Chicago Bulls to their third championship in three years.

1993 was also the year that the Tioga Inn’s initial plans, including an environment report, were laid out for county officials and the planning/permitting process began.

Now, 27 years later, the project seems like it has another chance at realization. Developer Dennis Domaille pulled out in 1996 due to an unfavorable feasibility report related to an economic downturn at the time.

Domaille tried again in 2006 and at that time received a much more positive outcome on the report, prompting him to begin to move forward with the project. An accident related to a propane explosion left him in a coma for 103 days. By the time he was healthy and back on his feet, the recession 2008 rolled around and squashed his plans.

Now he’s back, pitching the project as a housing opportunity for the Eastern Sierra on top of the already-planned hotel and restaurant to be built on-site near his existing Mobil Mart outside Lee Vining.

And given his gift for timing, just as the county has gone into lockdown due to Coronavirus concerns, he was healthy and back on his feet. 2020 fishing opener has postponement of the...
THE POWER OF BAD

“The Power of Bad” was written by John Tierney and Roy Baumeister and published by Penguin Press last year. Power of Bad, I thought. Certainly has to have some applicability for our modern crisis. Because the “negativity effect” is well-documented and we are genetically wired to respond hyper-vigilantly to threats, because as the introduction points out, “One mistake can still kill you. One enemy can still make your life miserable. One loss can erase many previous gains. Paying extra attention to threats still makes evolutionary sense. But our fine-tuned sense of bad can be debilitating. What worked for hunter-gatherers doesn’t always work for us.”

Because we tend to exaggerate danger. And these days, there are plenty of willing accomplices to repeat the fear and danger back to you, and to amplify it.

“News coverage of a danger creates public fear, inspiring further coverage and fear, which is why 40% of Americans worry that they or a family member will die in a terrorist attack.” Speaking of terrorist attacks, take a one-off catastrophe like 9/11. So many people were terrified of flying after 9/11 that they decided they’d drive versus fly when taking their next vacation. The result: an estimated 1,600 extra vehicular deaths, since driving is statistically more dangerous than flying.

Or consider the overreaction that led the United States into invading Iraq over perceived weapons of mass destruction that turned out not to exist. This is an example of what Tierney and Baumeister refer to as The Crisis Crisis, “the never-ending series of hyped threats leading to actions that leave everyone worse off.” A whole chapter, in fact, is devoted to The Crisis Crisis. Here’s the chapter’s introduction, verbatim:

Whether you’re absorbing today’s bad news or contemplating the future of humanity, we suggest starting off with three assumptions:

1. The world will always seem to be in crisis.
2. The crisis is never as bad as it sounds
3. The solution could easily make things worse.

Then, “We’ve convinced the biggest problem of all, the greatest obstacle to freedom and prosperity, is the exploitation of people’s negativity bias by crisismongers. It’s the worst social consequence of the negativity effect. By continually fomenting fears, the prophets of doom have profoundly distorted the public’s view of the present and future.”

And then they let the great philosopher H.L. Mencken drop the hammer. “The whole aim of practical politics,” Mencken wrote, “is to keep the populace alarmed (and hence clamorous to be led by safety) by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, most of them imaginary.”

And while it would be folly to describe the current pandemic as imaginary, I’m starting to hear some rumblings, some restlessness. Because as things progress, there’s risk of growing divide between the decision-makers (who are all getting paid). It’s easy to err on the side of caution when you’re getting paid), and the small business owners who are bleeding profusely.

And it was with some bemusement that I learned Thursday that the much-hyped PPP (Payment Protection Plan) fund for small business has already been tapped. Hite tells me the Small Business Administration’s website currently says, “The SBA is currently unable to accept new applications for the Paycheck Protection Program based on available appropriations funding.” Wow. $350 billion in an eyelash. I can only imagine how those funds are earmarked.


I spoke to one Mammoth real estate veteran (not Paul Oster or Matthew Lehman) who described the local market as being “frozen in time.” In no one’s calling on either the buy or sell side. Everyone’s in stasis. Waiting. And of course, that’s good news on the political side. Tests, tests, tests and an insistence that we must remain frozen in time and entombed in our respective bunkers until the God of Data reveals the correct path. From this same realtor: Where is Mammoth Mountain in all this? Complete absence. You’d think the company could afford to send a few people down to try to do something. Fly the flag. Maybe distribute 20,000 Mammoth-brand ed face masks.

Nothing. Except that gem of an announcement this week saying they’d sell you a basic Ikon pass renewal at a $100 discount and a no-black out renewal at a $200 discount. No mention of refunds for 2019-2020 or potential refunds for 2020-2021 if the season is subject to coitus, er, coronavirus interruptus.

To be fair, I spoke to my old boss Joani Lynch Thursday and she assured me that due to the volume of thoughtful feedback from passholders, Alterra will be coming out with an update announcement (likely addressing pricing, refunds, etc. et al. The company may be lumbering and slow-footed but it is anything but dimwitted), but consider. For 2019-2020, MMSA opened on November 9. If the lamest of ski seasons closes May 25, MMSA was open for 127/199 potential days this year, or about 64%.

MMSA would argue that business just dies after Easter and doesn’t really start until Thanksgiving, so let’s be generous and say it was open for 108/137 peak season days or 79%. Pricing 2020-2021 renewals at 79% of 2019-2020 prices should therefore be $473 for a basic Ikon pass (as opposed to the $100 off $499 “deal”). Further, Alterra should promise to refund potential missed peak days in 2020-2021 in the event of a corona shutdown recurrence. I can’t see one person buying an Ikon pass until Alterra comes very, very clean on its refund policy. Frankly, they should be refunding $125 for 2019-2020 up front, and then charging the full price for 2020-2021. Don’t link the seasons. Or pretend that canceling the remainder of 2019-2020 prematurely while keeping all the Ikon ticket revenue is ethical. Okay, I got sidetracked. Maybe that’s the point.

One final point (okay, maybe a few) on the reopen/how/when debate. Mammoth Hospital CEO Tom Parker is quoted on page four as saying, “What does recovery and reopening look like in a graduated way so that we don’t create a second wave worse than the first?”

My reaction. There was hardly a first wave. How can you even refer to it as a first wave? And the hospital is a ghost town right now. I hear the employees are bored out of their skulls and playing Scrabble during their shifts. Stop pretending about the surge that never was.

But more important, looking ahead. The local population got the memo. It understands the distancing, the washing, the whole trying-to-maintain-a-facade-and-not-sleep-together-on-the-first-date-aspect of sidestepping COVID-19.

We live in the perfect place to reopen fairly soon (May 15?) in a measured way. Our customers largely come here (with the exception of those attending various festivals which won’t exist this summer) for the purpose of hiking and fishing and creating social distance from their fellow, grating, human beings. And in restaurants, parties are generally six feet apart anyway.

As for the bar crowd, maybe tell ’em not to visit their grandparents at Shady Acres within a month of their last binge.

From MLT Insights: National Tourism Discussions

According to U.S. Travel’s Weekly Travel Data Report, travel spending in the U.S. fell once again in the week ending April 4 as non-essential travel has plummeted over the past month.

National weekly travel spending dropped to just $3.3 billion last week. This is down from $19.8 billion during the first week of March.

The week ending April 4 suffered an $18.6 billion loss in travel spending. This is an 85% drop from last year’s levels, marking a continued decline in the travel economy as most of the country implements various lockdown measures. With now five weeks of evident COVID-19 impact, the U.S. travel economy has lost $60.8 billion. More than $36 billion (60%) of these losses have been realized in the past two weeks.

In just the week ending April 4, travel spending registered $18.6 billion lower than the same week a year ago.

At the outset of the crisis, MLT Executive Director John Urdi, per Visit California, predicted just a 15-20% immediate impact.

On the subject of affirmative action for marketing employees, this was the latest fundraising ask from MLT:

“First and foremost, we at Mammoth Lakes Tourism hope you and your loved ones are weathering these uncertain times as best as you can. We continue to be amazed at the resiliency of our community and are proud to say we are all working together to help crush the curve in Mono County.

The Mammoth Lakes Tourism Food Bank continues chugging along. Our stats from April 8 show that in the time that we have been open since March 23 we have served 2,080 households and an estimated 7,312 adults, with an average of 3.5 adults per household.

In addition to the hundreds of hours being donated by volunteers to keep the

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Eclipsed ... for the moment

Dear Editor:

The 50th anniversary of Earth Day is Wednesday, April 22. Normally, this would have been a day of gathering together in celebration of Planet Earth and in collective protest of the lack of climate action that has been taken to date to help ‘save’ our planet.

Fifty years ago, April 22, 1970, global attention was riveted to protests and demonstrations and marches advocating for cleaner water, cleaner air and protection of endangered species.

Today, we find ourselves in a crisis situation that six months ago was unfathomable. Every day, we see the pain and the fear that so many in our community, and around the world, are currently experiencing. And we give heartfelt thanks to all in the medical field who are taking care of us and to all other essential workers for keeping things going.

As humanity works to rein in, cor-ral and put a stop to the spreading of the deadly COVID-19 Coronavirus, the immediacy of this health and economic crisis has somewhat eclipsed the es-

With our social distancing and iso-
lating or sheltering-in-place we have unique opportunities to get back to some of the basics that perhaps we have forgotten about or just not had time for. Getting out in the sunshine for a walk or a bike ride. Sitting out in the backyard or out in the desert and pondering the things that we value the most. Planting a garden. Connecting with family and friends we have not seen or talked with for a while.

Likewise, Earth Day provides an op-
portunity to re-dedicate ourselves to those fundamental values and goals that we treasure most. We can think about how we care for our families, our neigh-

So this Earth Day spend a little time, or a lot of time, outdoors -- with proper social distancing being key. If you feel like virtually joining with others you can go to www.earthday.org where the Earth Day Network will be sponsor-
ing 24 hours of global online activities, music, lectures and more. And if you feel like sharing a favorite Earth or Earth Day-related photo or quote that has inspired you, share it on Facebook or Instagram and tag INYO350 (Insta-
gram:@inyo350) and we will re-post it on our page.

Try to come away at the end of the day on Wednesday April 22, the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, with just one thing that you as an individual can do to make our Planet Earth more healthy, more sustainable, more life-supporting for all.

For more information on INYO350 go to https://inyo350action.org/ and fol-
low us on Facebook or Instagram.

Submitted by Nancy Upham INYO350

The Sheet was cc’d on this email sent to Mono County Public Health Officer Dr. Tom Boo.

Drop the fear gauge a few levels

Dear Dr. Boo:

I am writing you today to see if I can help ease the fear which has gripped our little town, regarding COVID-19. Spending countless hours referencing the National Institutes of Health, Medi-
cal Library. I believe a possible resolu-
tion to our problem may be readily available.

The mineral Zinc is a recurring theme I keep running across. It appears to inhibit coronavirus (at least SARS) along with an ionophore like Hydroxychloro-
gov/21079686/ Dr. Vladimir Zelenko from Monroe, NY appears to be having success: https://docs.google.com/document/d/ 1SesxgaPnpT6OfCYuaFSwXzDK4cDKM-
bHvDvoLUrVj48/mobilebasic Dr. Anthony Cardillo, CEO of Mend Urgent Care in Los Angeles, CA seems to be having the same success: https://abc7news.com/coronavirus-
drug-covid-19-malaria-hydroxychloro-
quine/6079864/ Vitamin D deficiency appears to be a factor in coronavirus, especially among people with dark pigment skin, as they don’t synthesize vitamin D3 as well as lighter-skinned people. https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.
gov/16519493/ see LETTERS, page 7
As the state’s efforts to “flatten the curve” of the coronavirus are showing some positive results, hospitals have been allotted valuable time to continue stocking essential equipment such as masks, gloves, shoe covers, and ventilators. That time, combined with a lower number of hospitalizations, puts facilities like Mammoth Hospital and Northern Inyo Healthcare District in a good position to handle surges should they come.

Mammoth Hospital CEO Tom Parker told the Mono County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday that the hospital has been able to significantly improve the turnaround on Covid-19 testing, dropping wait times to 24-36 hours. He explained that a 45-minute turnaround on testing would be available by the end of the week, adding a caveat that testing remains limited due to a general shortage of available tests.

In terms of equipment, Parker told the supervisors that the hospital’s initial goal had been to acquire enough personal protective equipment to last 60 days in “surgery mode.” He noted that some things, like foot covers and surgical masks, are still in demand “but compared to other hospitals throughout the country, we feel very fortunate.”

Parker also reported that the hospital has expanded two additional ventilators, one of which came from a private donation.

After addressing the situation at Mammoth Hospital, Parker then brought up the question of a gradual return to some semblance of everyday life.

“What does recovery and reopening look like in a graduated way so that we don’t create a second wave worse than the first?” Parker asked.

Earlier this week, Governor Gavin Newsom revealed six indicators being considered for lifting stay-at-home orders, any one of which would be required to meet the demand.

“Part of this next phase would include the gradual reinstatement of non-essential services and business while keeping a close eye on other jurisdictions and maintaining social distancing in public,” Supervisor Jennifer Kreitz inquired about a timeline for widespread testing within the county, echoing Newsom’s criteria for modifying stay-at-home orders.

Parker agreed, noting that the current shortage of available testing makes that goal difficult for the time being. He cautioned that for the time being, stay-at-home orders would have to act in accordance with state and county-wide directives in order to ensure a safe return to normalcy.

Fire Chief and Emergency Operations Center (EOC) representative Frank Frievalt expanded Parker’s comments, referring to the restart of semi-normal life in Mono County as an “incremental process of moving forward where we are to where we want to be.”

He explained that Mono County economic development director Alicia Vennos was in the process of putting together an economic recovery group that would be responsible for gauging business needs prior to opening back up.

“Taking over from Frievalt, Vennos detailed her aim of assembling groups from different business sectors to get an understanding of basic needs for each sector. Vennos sent out a survey to county businesses on Monday to begin the process and noted that with 40 responses by 9 a.m. the next day, “cash flow is one of the gravest concerns.”

Reopen Illinois business comes with the probability of increased visitation, an issue Supervisor Kreitz identified and inquired about. Vennos explained that telling visitors to stay home while reopening the county to business would be a difficult undertaking.

Tuesday’s meeting featured, along with the usual suspects, two new participants who are no stranger to the Board of Supervisors. Caltrans District Director Brent Green and Southern California Edison government affairs representative Cal Rossi were on hand to discuss how their agencies were responding to the Covid-19 pandemic in the region.

Green explained that Caltrans crews were committed to performing essential work during this time as they are considered an essential service. Caltrans is keeping roads like Bodie Road (SR270) closed to deter visitors, although, as Green explained, it would be open if not for the pandemic.

Green described a “odd dynamic” within Caltrans, as work may seem counterintuitive given the circumstances.

“The goal is to open things as quickly as possible,” he said. “That’s what the crews like to do.” However, Caltrans is refraining from opening non-essential roads, no matter the condition, for the time being. Green gave the example of Monitor Pass, which neither of the Caltrans districts responsible for want to open as it isn’t needed for essential services.

According to Green, Sonora and Tioga passes are not involved in discussions related to opening, although he noted that they expect to have Tioga open much sooner than expected.

However, “we’re not eager to open any of those seasonal closures at this point,” he said.

That means that the issue of opening the back portion of June Lake Loop, opposed by businesses and residents in the area, can be delayed.

The board thanked Green for his time and his service to the district, as he will be retiring in two weeks.

Likewise, Rossi walked the supervisors through SCE’s plans and actions during the pandemic with an emphasis on safety for both customers and employees. SCE is delaying non-essential power outages in the area for the duration of the stay-at-home orders.

Lab Edison workers and contractors present in neighborhoods, Supervisor Stump asked how SCE was doing their part to reduce any potential spread of the virus from their crews.

Rossi reported that he had been in contact with the SCE to incorporate Covid-19 measures into the SCE workforce while continuing to find a way to ensure contractors and workers were not spreading the virus unknowingly.

Other county updates included news that Administrative Officer Steve Barrick was taking a leave of absence with Assistant CAO Bob Lawton promoted to fill the role on Tuesday.

Finance director Janet Dutcher walked the Supervisors through the waiver process for late fees on property taxes. In order to get the waiver, both the tax and the penalty have to be paid along with the submission of documentation that justifies the waiver request.

Lastly, Behavioral Health director Robin Roberts reported an increase in alcohol and mental health needs throughout the county. She told the Supervisors that county paramedics have been reporting heroin and opioid overdoses.

Dispute leads to guns being discharged

During the early morning hours of April 12, 2020, the Mono County Sheriff’s Office responded to a report of a physical altercation which occurred on the Benton Paiute Reservation. The altercation escalated and resulted in a shooting. Through the course of the investigation, witness statements and physical evidence were collected, which led investigators to identify two suspects.

On April 14, members of the Mono County Sheriff’s Office, Inyo County Sheriff’s Department, Bishop Police Department, California Highway Patrol, and the Mono County District Attorney’s Office served search warrants on two residences located on the reservation. During the warrant service, both suspects were arrested without incident. Marque Santos Marquez was arrested and charged with Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Battery with great bodily injury, and Felon in possession of a firearm. Emilio Elizarraraz was arrested and charged with Attempted Murder, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, and Shooting at an occupied vehicle.

The investigation is still ongoing, and anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Mono County Sheriff’s Office at (760) 932-7549 extension 7.
COUNCIL DECLARES HOLLER OFFER TO TRIM OWN PAY

By Hite

Town Manager Dan Holler has a lot of power during a crisis. The idea is he can make quick decisions that wouldn’t be stalled by the slow process of semi-monthly Mammoth Council meetings. During the pandemic, Holler can make certain unilateral decisions without getting approval from Council.

One surprising policy matter brought forth at Council Wednesday was an amended employment agreement for Mr. Holler. The amended sections were his pay and a deferred bonus structure. Holler’s salary would go from $3,817 to $3,626 a week. This would amount to about $11,000 of extra money for the Town to spend every year. The other adjustment was a 2.5% pay adjustment that would start January 2021 instead of the currently scheduled July 2020.

It wasn’t entirely clear why this was on the Council docket, but Holler told Council, “Given the challenges before us and the financial constraints of the Town, I believe it was appropriate to step up and bring this forward for your consideration.”

Hoff was stunned, “I want to speak on this because I am very confused. Dan, you are saying this came from you?”

Holler responded, “This was my proposal.”

“I really appreciate where you are coming from. Are you just trying to set a good example? Because I have been receiving emails from you seven days a week from dawn until the wee hours. I am about saving money right now but where is this coming from? Is this a precursor for what is going to come? Is this happening on any other level? You have had your workload increased but you are going to give up money?” questioned Hoff.

Hoff wondered why Holler would be the only employee to give up salary. Andrew Morris, the Town Attorney, chimed in, “Dan’s salary is the only one that he can almost unilaterally reduce but asking other employees to do that is a really big deal.” Morris called it an “incredible gesture on Dan’s part,” while explaining how hard it would be to change contracts with other Town employees.

Wentworth called it an inspiring gesture. Salvito echoed the sentiment and thanked Holler. Stapp, surprisingly, said, “I’m not interested in reducing Dan’s salary. It is a nice gesture, but it’s just that he has really stepped up and I would like to keep Dan’s salary and benefits where they are.”

Sauer praised Holler’s quality of character and then asked for a motion. Wentworth made the motion to approve the amended employment agreement and the motion was seconded. Nothing. No second. The motion died and Holler’s contract will remain as is.

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To keep it short, intravenous vitamin C has shown results as well but I’ll let you research that on your own.

Regarding the fear, I would like to ask you to issue a public statement in the next few days along the lines of: “Villages thrive in cold weather, and in the mountains cold, winter weather can last until mid June. This is a respiratory illness and high elevations are not a good mix (I think you stated this). However, we as medical professionals are seeing encouraging signs that there is light at the end of the tunnel and although no cure is currently available there are potential treatment options and the mass death (surge) being propagated by the media is a fallacy.” Something along these lines but you get the picture. Let’s drop the fear gauge down a few levels.

The prescription by Dr. Fauci and Dr. Birx at the national level is just plain wrong. It appears to be an immune suppression treatment and one that fits all medieval medicine has no place in the year 2020. Herd immunity is okay. Building stronger immune systems is okay. We are better than this Mr. Boo, and this is not helping.

Here’s to health, peace, and liberty,

Mike Quirk (Nerd, not Dr.)
Mammoth Lakes

A good time to quit vaping

Dear Editor:

As the Mono County Tobacco Use Prevention Coordinator (TUPE) I have been concerned that, although this coronavirus mandate to stay home may help curb the youth Vape epidemic, there are most likely youth at home that are suffering severe nicotine withdrawal.

This is a unique opportunity for parents and youth to support their child with quitting. By researching, parents and youth can do research to support their child with quitting. By researching the dangers of vaping, as well as ways to help curb the youth Vape epidemic, parents and youth can do research to support their child with quitting. By researching the dangers of vaping, as well as ways to help curb the youth Vape epidemic, parents and youth can do research to support their child with quitting. By researching the dangers of vaping, as well as ways to help curb the youth Vape epidemic, parents and youth can do research to support their child with quitting.

There are resources available at the Mono County Health Department website at https://monohc.com/public-health. That or contact me and I can point you in the proper direction.

Debbie Schnadt
MCOE Program Coordinator
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Who’ll be the last to sing for us?

Dear Editor:

This past Easter I had the good fortune to hear the famous Italian singer Andrea Bocelli sing at the Duomo di Milano in Milan Italy. During his performance, videos where shown of the empty streets in the major cities around the world. I had the terrible feeling: could these scenes portend our future?

Mr. Bocelli’s performance was amazing and this video triggered a concern and a fear that I have struggled with for years. The human species has such potential, yet for thousands of years we have continued to waste it in most cases. In today’s current Covid-19 pandemic we see the best and worst of the Homo sapiens species. The doctors, nurses, health care workers, transit workers, first responders, grocery store clerks, and many others selflessly give of themselves. They put themselves and their families at risk while helping others. Many of these people have become infected with the virus and bring it home to their families. Many of these people have died for us. They are heroes. Will we have a Memorial Day and a moment of silence for them in the future?

On the other hand, we also see the worst of species during this pandemic. There are those that are so consumed with the lust for power and domination over the lives of others that they will do almost anything to obtain and maintain that power. There are others that are so greedy that they will take advantage of their fellow human beings to gain additional wealth and disregard working towards a greater good. Instead of working together to help solve the situation we continue our petty behavior. This behavior is being witnessed by our children and someday they will emulate it.

In many respects as a species we have learned very little over the past 10,000 years. I fear the lessons that we should be learning from this pandemic will go unheeded and instead we will continue down the same path that we have in the past.

In the closing scene of the YouTube video, Mr. Bocelli stands alone in front of the Duomo di Milano and he sings a very powerful, heartfelt “Amazing Grace.” If we do not soon learn from our past mistakes, I wonder who will be the last human being that will stand alone and sing “Amazing Grace” for a species that had such great potential but instead perished.

John Stavlo
Mammoth Lakes

Here for you.

Subway restaurants across the country are still open for takeout.

It’s our priority to serve you the delicious meals you love in the easiest and safest ways possible.

Mammoth Lakes
HUT HUT ... BUT NO HIKE
Mammoth Council will not place proposed TOT hike on November ballot
By Hite

The first policy matter discussed at Wednesday’s Mammoth Town Council meeting was the one point increase to TOT which has been discussed as a special tax to be added to the November ballot needing a two-thirds vote for passage.

But while every tax is indeed “special,” Council had to walk away from this one. However regretfully.

“As regrettable as this is,” began Mayor Pro-Tem Lynda Salcido, “this is just not the right time to pursue this. It takes a lot of effort and cohesion to move forward with a two-thirds vote.”

“I deeply support making a commitment to everything we can do for housing. But right now, in light of current circumstances, I just don’t see how we can do it,” said Councilmember John Wentworth during comments.

Councilmember Kirk Stapp added, “I agree with John and Lynda, it is not the right time.”

Then it was Councilmember Clandel Hof’s turn, “Even before Covid I thought it was a little early. I concur [with the previous statements].”

The motion to abandon efforts to introduce a TOT increase passed 5-0.

Housing eviction moratorium

Town Attorney Andrew Morris introduced the eviction moratorium policy matter. “So you will recall at the last meeting, we adopted a measure of a moratorium on commercial tenants,” said Morris as he told Council the similarities between that action and this proposed moratorium on tenants in local housing.

The State recently enacted a similar moratorium, but it was more of a procedural moratorium. In California, tenants have five days to respond to an eviction notice and Governor Gavin Newsom changed this to 60 days. Additionally, the courts will not process any eviction-related issues for the time being.

Morris drew up an ordinance that flat-out banned eviction until June 1.

Tenants will be responsible for rent, as the ordinance reads, “nothing in this ordinance is intended to or shall be deemed to affect a tenant’s obligations to pay back rent owed once this ordinance is no longer effective, nor to affect a property owner’s other statutory or contractual rights.”

This means that after May 31, 2020, tenants will be responsible for all accrued rent. The ordinance does state that the tenant has 120 days to pay this before late fees can be applied.

The ordinance passed 5-0.

Finance update

The Town’s Finance Director Rob Patterson displayed the current state of the Town of Mammoth Lakes finances. Patterson will be back the first week of May to give a more in-depth presentation and to seek direction towards future budget allocations. This was a checking giving Council an opportunity to begin digesting the finances.

Here is the wrap sheet:

- The Town has about $7 million in reserves coming from the Reserve for Economic Uncertainty ($3.76 million), Operating Reserve ($1.864 million), and deferred/eliminated capital allocations (estimated at $1.65 million.)

- Town Staff ran revenue projections on TOT with assumptions leading to possible TOT revenues of $11.4, $13.5, and $11.8 million respectively for 2020-2021. In order to collect $14 million the Town would need to collect 30% of the three-year average during July and August, 60% of the three-year average during September and October, 80% of the three-year average during November-April, and finally 90% of the three-year average next May and June. Seems optimistic, but it was the most optimistic projection so…

- Property taxes won’t be affected in the short term due to the lag effect of them entering the general fund. They could be lowered in future fiscal years if a recession hits and housing prices fall.

- Sales tax will be significantly reduced. There are talks at the State level to subsidize sales taxes paid by businesses but the talks have not returned anything concrete.

- Most uncommitted funds will be used to bolster reserves. Council will make decisions regarding which projects will be put on hiatus during May’s Council meeting.

By Hite

3/27/20 BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA Health officials say physical distancing restrictions and prohibiting large social gatherings in BC are successfully beginning to slow the rate of new COVID-19 cases in the province, perhaps by HALF.

3/29/20 SEATTLE- Home of the first known case of COVID19 in the United States. Preliminary statistical models provided to public officials in Washington State suggest that the spread of the virus has slowed in the Seattle area in recent days due to social distancing.

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own decision on the subject until May. Sandra Bauer, a CEQA consultant involved with the project, walked the commissioners and staff through changes to the plans that had been made over the years, which were comprised under the title of “Preferred Alternative 6.”

While summarizing the entire history of changes to the plans over their entire history would be a hefty undertaking, some of the more significant takeaways from Preferred Alternative 6 that Bauer highlighted include:

-Reducing the overall number of buildings from 15 to 11
-An outdoor lighting plan that minimizes light and glare impacts to the outside
-Dull and muted exterior color to avoid standing out from the landscape
-A potential shuttle service from the property to the town to reduce pedestrian traffic on Highway 120 and US 395
-A new phasing plan that staggeres the building process and allows for other units to fill up.

In addition, planners have reached an agreement with the local tribe to educate and supervise workers on cultural artifacts that may be uncovered over the course of construction.

Bauer also outlined plans to address five unavoidable impacts that the project would have on the area as outlined by the environmental report: hydrology, biology, services (police/fire), traffic and aesthetics.

In response to the biology aspect, specifically the Sierra Nevada Red Fox, the property would commit to proper signage about animals and have a denning survey completed to determine any denning by wildlife taking place on the property. A 500-foot buffer will be placed between dens and constructions in the event that some are found.

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“After hearing all the negative comments, it’s intimidating to even speak on the subject,” Commissioner Daniel Roberts explained. “I understand the concern about the change in the community and I know we all share that.”

Corona Stats

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operation running each week, generous support from our locals, second homeowners, visitors and charitable foundations who love our little corner of paradise has raised more than $78,000. At roughly $7,500-$10,000 per day in expenses, this amount will fund us for potentially three weeks of operations. Additionally, the extra $20,000 pledged by the MLT Board of Directors will keep operations running for potentially another one and a half to two weeks.

Our goal is to get the donation level to $200,000 in an effort to feed our community through June. With an average of 1,000 people fed each day, we feel this is an effort that is making a difference for the tourism workers in our community who are struggling through these tough times.

“Note: The Sheet has made a public records request asking for the donor list and amount of the $78,000 raised by MLT. P.S: Given MLT’s payroll, which is in excess of $20,000/wk, if MLT had done nothing more than lay off its entire staff on March 23, it would have realized $200,000 in cost savings by June 1 which could have entirely funded the Food Bank without asking for a penny in donations or funding from reserves. Laid off staff would have received unemployment plus $600/wk via the CARES Act.

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Since the last release on April 9 there have been 31 more tests bringing the total negative tests to 147. 21 tests are pending.

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Paul Edmund Zahn passed away peacefully at home on April 7, 2020 succumbing to a long fight with metastatic prostate cancer. He was a vigorous 83 years-of-age and led a full life.

Paul loved skiing and sailing the high seas, splitting his time between Mammoth Lakes and Mathews, Virginia alongside the Chesapeake Bay. As a young man he worked as a congressio-

nal page and was present for General MacArthur’s farewell address as well as having the honor of meeting Sir Winston Churchill following his 1952 address to a Joint Meeting of the U.S. Congress. It made a lifetime impression, as he had just finished reading Churchill’s four-volume History of the English Speaking Peoples.

A graduate of the U.S. Naval Merchant Marine academy, he served as U.S. Navy carrier pilot alongside John McCain during the Vietnam War and was among the small circle of friends to welcome McCain home from his POW stay at the “Hanoi Hilton.” He traveled the world as a commercial pilot for Trans World Airlines (later American Airlines). He also earned a law degree from Fordham University School of Law, and later practiced aviation law in support of the TWA pilots union.

In retirement, Paul was an active volunteer for the Mono County Search & Rescue team and the Mammoth Mountain Host and Hill Safety programs. Always up for an adventure – skiing trees on the Whaleback on powder days with après-ski cocktails and conversation at the A-frame or “safety meetings.” He even took up rock and ice climbing in his ‘70s.

Paul’s last words were “Fair winds and following seas, Captain. We’ve got the watch.”

Paul is survived by his loving and devoted wife Jackie Anderson Zahn, son Christian and daughter Mejkin and his loyal chocolate lab, Spencer. Paul asked that people remember him with donations to the MCS&R (www.monosar.org).

OFF THE SLOPES

THE REVISION OF DINING OUT

By Casselman

I was beginning to prepare an updated article on interesting new local restaurants [Casselman resides in Minneapolis] and new dining trends for this column when the world, including the food world, suddenly changed.

Most of the new places on this list, and on my previous lists, are now completely or partially closed. Alas, some of them will likely not reopen. Dining out in the U.S. is going to be revised.

Exactly what this revision will be, of course, is not entirely clear, and probably won’t be until after the national and global health emergency is over – and that is as yet undetermined.

Recent decades, beginning after World War II, had brought about a food and dining renaissance to the U.S. Previously, fine dining was mostly available to the very affluent, and ethnic dining was limited usually to small neighborhoods in large urban areas where they had small numbers of customers. Most Americans ate meals prepared at home.

During World War II, millions of American soldiers were stationed throughout Europe, North Africa and the Pacific where they encountered strange and delicious new cuisines. Kitchen and food storage innovations of the time became available to millions of American households in the post-war boom. A national food culture highlighted by a few but simple dishes now exploded into a dynamic and growing food hospitality industry.

With more and more women taking jobs, and growing families, inexpensive fast food restaurant chains appeared and multiplied.

With the appearance of television, and the boost from the book and magazine publishing industries, a bounty of cooking classes and recipes became available to whole generations of U.S. women (and men) – much of it intensified and popularized by celebrity chefs and food writers.

A U.S. middle class and working class families and individuals became more affluent, American farmers and other food providers responded with an increasing quality and supply of meat, dairy, vegetable and fruit products.

Transportation innovation made importing much more fresh food from abroad possible.

At the same time, labor and food costs were rising, and the government sector increased restaurant regulations and taxes, especially in urban areas, narrowing profit margins.

Even before the current emergency, restaurateurs across the nation were changing their menus, formats and procedures to meet the new labor and customer demands. In some urban locales, higher minimum wage requirements and sales taxes were causing a number of restaurants to close their doors.

With state lockdown orders, most restaurants are now closed and their employees laid off. Some restaurants and coffeehouses (and liquor stores) remain open for delivery or take-out only. Grocery stores and chains are open, and also offer prepared, deli and other take-out foods and meals on a daily basis.

But most restaurants cannot operate like this indefinitely. They have employees, food suppliers and mortgage or other debts to pay.

Many restaurateurs, especially those who are determined to survive the current emergency, are already thinking past the lockdowns. Some trends, such as reduced table service, will likely accelerate. Other trends, such as increased space between tables, heightened sanitary procedures, and reduced hours and menus are also likely.

The restaurant industry is only one of many U.S. industries which contribute so much to contemporary life, but it is also one of the most vulnerable. Its development over the past 75 years has been astonishing, and now it will change again. This time, I think, it will require a certain spirit of partnership between management, employees and customers if it is going to rebound in the post-emergency food culture.

Barry Casselman is a syndicated columnist. More of his work can be found at www.barrycasselman.com.
Obituary

Michael O’Kelly 1944-2020

Longtime Mammoth resident Michael O’Kelly passed away last month after a long battle with Parkinson’s disease. O’Kelly, who moved to Mammoth with his family in 1980, owned his own business, O’Kelly Electric, for many years. Later, he managed the Minaret Mall for nearly two decades.

As longtime friend Ralph Lehotski observed, “He wasn’t a showman. He was just a regular guy. Friendly. Always willing to help. He was somebody you wanted as a friend. Somebody you liked being around.”

He wasn’t particularly worldly, nor did he aspire to be. He liked his small-town community. He was a man who liked to go on walks with his dogs. And he was thrifty. He didn’t need it.

O’Kelly was one of those guys ... that sneaks up on you. He wasn’t particularly loud or demonstrative, nor was he man of great stature. He was happiest in a supporting role, volunteering as a timer for the Mammoth Mountain Race Department, or lending a hand to whomever needed it.

As he passed...

Michael O’Kelly grew up in La Canada. His mother died when he was seven. His younger sister Kathy was four.

His father was a drinker - wasn’t equipped to handle two young children at home. Michael and his sister bounced from orphanages to foster homes until an aunt in West Virginia took them in for about three years.

They returned to California when their father remarried. But the marriage didn’t last.

Kathy went on to live with family friends. In reality, she served as a nanny for their young children, but was ultimately adopted.

Michael stayed with Dad, stopped going to school, and eventually joined the Marines because he had to do something, start somewhere.

When he returned to La Canada after a two-year hitch in Hawaii, he met his wife Nancy on a blind date - they attended an L.A. Rams season opener together.

Michael attended trade school after he got married and became an electrician.

The couple had three children. The eldest, Shannon, lives in Switzerland. Then came the twins, Karen and Kyle, who now resides in Dana Point.

In 1980, the O’Kellys moved to Mammoth. In addition to Michael’s hanging a shingle as an electrician, the couple also bought and then operated the Snow Goose Inn (which was located on Forest Trail) and now serves as a child care facility.

As McAteer said, “We used to go to lunch three or four times a week. My wife is upset that I don’t have a lunch partner anymore, because I don’t get out of the house.”

One of those angels for O’Kelly has been Manny Bravo, who’s taken care of O’Kelly’s property for the past several years after he was diagnosed with Parkinson’s. Just sent a crew over. No fanfare.

There was also Rich McAteer, who’s visited regularly over the past few years. As McAteer said, “We used to go to lunch three or four times a week. My wife is upset that I don’t have a lunch partner anymore, because I don’t get out of the house.”

Shields Richardson met Michael through a mutual friend, John Vereuck, when he was getting ready to build the Side Door. O’Kelly did the electrical work, and they became friends.

And even attended an Indy Car series event in Las Vegas together as both were race car buffs.

“He definitely had an outer shell,” said Richardson, “but it was a thin one. Once you got through, you had a friend for life. He was a giver, and I enjoyed being around him.”

When he came down with his Parkinson’s, he was predictably stoic. He didn’t like it, but he didn’t talk about it.

But as Rich McAteer recalled, no matter how bad it got, “when the gals stopped by [to visit – and there were always gals who looked after Michael, even if he never remarried], he’d rally.”

A memorial service for O’Kelly will be held at a later date, coronavirus willing. Donations in his memory should be directed towards Parkinson’s research.

Nancy O’Kelly also started a very successful local restaurant with Jan Dunn, called O’Kelly and Dunn.

Nancy was the extrovert. He was more reclusive. That was probably the biggest personality difference they had. “I had the restaurant, and that’s what I was married to,” explains Nancy.

And once the kids were out of the house, they led parallel lives.

No divorce is easy, but as Nancy observed, sometimes the tough decisions prove beneficial in the end. “Me not being there (following the divorce),” she said, “allowed him his own spotlight.”

And, she recalls, even after they got divorced, they never missed wishing each other a happy birthday.

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Aries: This may not be have been your best birthday ever. But it will certainly be a memorable one. And that's really the point of life anyway—to enjoy the good memories you’re creating. To help you create some more during this crazy time, here are a few tips from professionals and one from Clouds. Take time everyday to do some deep breathing exercises. Talk to people on the phone or on the Internet or even across the street. If you can’t hug a person or animal, hug a tree. Be sure to get lots of healthy servings of the five basic food groups -foreplay is a food group.

Leo: Here are some things to help you make the most of this challenging time: A) Never forget that Clouds loves you just the way you are, even with your clothes on. B) Update your resume by adding, “Stay at Home Binge Drinker.” C) Remember that you cannot calm the storm, you can only calm yourself and wait for the storm to pass. D) Play Flashlight or even Flashing Tag with your fellow inmates and neighbors.

Virgo: This is both a good and challenging time for most Virgos. You like your alone time, but you also like to be challenged and entertained by life. So it’s okay if you’re feeling frustrated by the way life is limiting you right now. Just don’t let yourself stay in that place for long. Keeping this thought in mind might help you: Even with a shortage of cleaning supplies, dirty deeds can still be done dirt cheap.

Libra: People are getting pretty creative to help cope with the world's current chaos. Things like Drive By Birthday Parties, Zoom Cocktail Hours and Lip Synching Video Challenges are popping up. Even good old-fashioned games like Yahtzee, Monopoly and Texas Hold ‘Em Poker are in. One fun game is to give yourself a nickname based on how you’re feeling right now and the last thing you ate. Clouds’s would be: Hopeful Fruit Roll Up Turned into a Thong.

Scorpio: Scorpios are the kind of people who like to create things like To Do lists and vision boards. These are great ideas and have been proven to help people accomplish their goals in life. That being the case, you probably didn’t put “Get quarantined for two months” on any such list. Nonetheless, this is what we’re all dealing with, so do your best to make the most out of it. As the old saying goes, when life gives you lemons, slice ‘em up and mix a cocktail.

Sagittarius: While we’re all in such a rush to return to normal, this would be good time to figure out which part of “normal” is worth rushing back to in the first place. It will also help during these tough times to remember that when we replace “I” with “We” even “Illness” becomes “wellness.”

Capricorn: While the pandemic is rough on many people, like every other challenge in life, it has some benefits, too. With fewer cars to run them over, less pollution to battle, less trash to poison them and less people to chase after them with cameras or rifles, wild-life across the world is thriving. From bears in Yosemite to wild goats in the U.K., animals are really enjoying life right now. So there’s one thing to be happy about. Your new assignment is to find at least one thing to be thankful for every day.

Aquarius: There are some folks out there who believe that orgasms are one of the most powerful things a human can experience. Orgasms are said to be good for creative energy, for enhancing mood, improving sleep, relieving stress and boosting your immunity. Actually, they make a pretty good argument. Clouds now has something very important to do, so please provide your own advice for the week.

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Convinced? Join the revolution! Every Saturday, a new version of a popular development will be added to the list. If you’re not convinced, you can still benefit from these tips and gain a new perspective on life.

**HORRORSCOPES**

By Clouds McCloud

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  - Gardnerville, NV, 89410
  - This business is conducted by an individual.
  - This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on December 19, 2019.
  - File Number 20-19-30
  - 2020-0044 (3/28, 4/4, 11/4, 11/18)

**Fictitious Business Name Statement**

**The Following Person Is Doing Business As:**

- One Dish Bistro
  - Tina Fortune
  - 588 Old Mammoth Road,
  - Mammoth Lakes, Ca. 93546
  - This business is conducted by a Corpora-
  - This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on March 23, 2020.
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Tuesday, April 21
Mono County Supervisors meet. 9 a.m. Meeting can be watched via granicus on the Mono County website.
Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce Power Lunch Webinar for Eastern Sierra Businesses on the SBA Disaster Loan. 11:30 a.m. ‘til 1 p.m. Presentation and Q&A with: Kelly Bearden and Jim Thomsen from the CSU Bakersfield Small Business Development Center.

Wednesday, April 22
Mono County Behavioral Health hosts Storytime on Facebook Live at 10 a.m.
Special Mammoth Lakes Town Council Meeting @ 1 p.m. Visit the Town website @ www.townofmammothlakes.ca.gov to attend via granicus.

Thursday, April 23
Mono County Virtual Community meeting every Thursday. 5:30 p.m. Find out more about the COVID-19 response effort and ask questions. Join through the portal at: https://coronavirus.monocounty.ca.gov. or download the Zoom app on your mobile device and use Meeting ID 901.775.658

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County Library’s programs that have moved online and are free and open to anyone countywide for April.
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went against the current stay-at-home order. It was usually a big gathering, and we didn’t want to send a mixed message,” said Supervisor Correas.

On the nayvayas, Correas said, “They feel the whole idea of regulating fishing is unconstitutional. But once people took the time to understand what this was actually about, [the backlash wasn’t as strong].”

There is a fear that, regardless of the outcome next week, Southern Californians will storm the Eastern Sierra and overrun local facilities but Correas felt the way the Southern Californians have completed to date is a good sign. “People are staying at home and we haven’t really seen any evidence for that.”

If a ban is enacted, the California Department of Fish and Game would be responsible for enforcement. Finally, Correas mentioned that even though a delay is likely, the action item passed on April 15 simply gave Bonham power until May 31. At the very latest, the fishing season will be delayed until June 1.

For the frustrated fisherman, the “Fishing Hole Game” by whatsevercatalog.com goes for just $19.95. Product description: if the fisherperson in your house is spending an inappropriate amount of time on the crapper, here’s how to put that time to good use: Set up this fishing hole game in the bathroom and let them practice their casting and reeling in skills. A plastic “pond” is stocked with four magnetic fish, comes with rod-and-reel, splash mat, license certificate and a “Do Not Disturb” door hanger.
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