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**Current topic: Creation vs. Evolution**

## 2 Cents Worth:

*When looking at the harbor, which do you prefer high tide or low tide, and why?*



"Low tide, because you can see the sea floor. "

Damara Lorentz



" High tide, because it is easier to go up and down the ramp! "

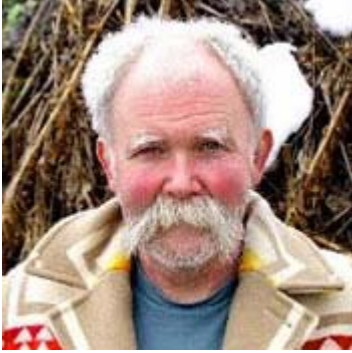
Tracy Pilpot

"Low tide stinks! "

Doug Pieren

"High tide because it makes the harbor look busy ."

Joni Baynorton



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Number one call out to Andy....THE DOGS...They are not just "the dogs" they are part of my family. A little story...walking down town with my family (from 2 blocks away you can't miss me and my 3 dogs). An old grouchy summer time hot dog in a big white truck comes screaming down the road (we all see sweet Ruby in the road "confused" as always) he has to hit his brakes, throwing rocks and kicking up dust, adding to the confusion and being part of the problem. Ruby is my grand dog, a heart wrapped in fur, maybe she thought it was one of her friends, Raymond and Gail, Jim Hopkins, Liza and Michel, Dick and Lisa, maybe Joe and Carla etc, who are all part of our extended family. This dog is my responsibility for the summer and I do not appreciate that kind of attitude towards my family and responsibilities. I am personally sick of all the dog crap myself, I have been a dog owner for 30 + years. So for all of you low tolerance, mean attitude, going fast to no where, summer time folks, and yes, unfortunately some locals, lets do this for the summer. When your clients, real estate people, fishing folks, amateur gardeners, B & B's, or family members visit your establishments and this mean little town, I'll have the same low tolerance, cold hearted, rude driving, (maybe past your grandchildren) lack of care and kindness towards your "family and responsibilities" as you have shown mine.

Number two call out to Andy...Terrorist Turkeys...on the loose...in Seldovia!!! Chief Anderson called out to rescue Seldovia school children from attack turkeys. Not once but twice! ! ! First, I hope the Principal instructed the staff to use this magnificent wild creature as an educational tool. Second, I hope he emphasized the need to be kind to all creatures, even turkeys. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity to take advantage of this situation. Somehow, I don't think this happened. Personally, I am a little embarrassed that nine adults at this school couldn't use this as a learning tool. Not the Principal or one other individual could step up to the plate and deal with this Turkey Terrorist situation without disturbing Chief Anderson.

with these turkeys. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity for me. These wild turkeys survived two winters out side. My dogs, mean people, cars, eagle's, and mother nature couldn't kill these Terrorist Turkeys. So I feel these turkeys deserve a little respect as they have spent the last TWO WHOLE YEARS in Seldovia and have earned membership in the "Year Round People Who Brave All The Crap Society". Over the years Seldovia people have enjoyed the pheasants, Bob Whites, chuckers, quails, ducks and a wayward swan that people have raised. We will soon loose these two Terrorist Turkeys. Let nature take her course. Where is your kindness?

These are some of the things that I have contacted my Police Chief, City Council members, managers, ladies at the office and concerned locals about. Adults buying alcohol for minors, illegal use of bank cards for beer, loss of education, speeding, unemployment, bad recruiting and hiring procedures, loss of Lollipop Park for the last ten years, MySpace.Com. , litter at the beach (there are trash cans right there), domestic violence, minors showing up at adult parties, missing street signs, extreme fire danger, dangerous streets, example (Brain Dead Drive aka Shoreline Drive) , no portable toilets for fishing holes, no food on ferry days, you know, these kind of things that make me wonder.

This summer, I will be taking a walk around town with my family (yes, Ruby) and if you are a friend and an animal lover, we will stop, shoot the breeze, pet each others pets, kiss sweet Ruby, the rest of you can just keep on walking and leave my family alone.

Those of you complaining and squawking about the dogs and turkeys, if you have any real problems with my dogs, pick up the phone and call me at 234-7498 and quite hiding behind Chief Anderson and the City Council so they can take care of some real problems. It's called put up a fence and one of the those things, you know, that swings both ways, its called a gate.

I hate to think how this school would deal with a real "situation". On the other hand, the turkey I encountered, I picked up and carried home. I petted, I shared corn, dried apricots and 100% whole wheat crackers on my porch

Happy Summer  
Rita Brown

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