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Letters to the Editor

Disburbing Tribune Article . . .

It was disturbing to us to see the Tribune headline of "Seldovia Youth out of Control". The senseless loss of life that occurred last week involved several young adults not youths. This tragedy is in our opinion directly related to the absence of police presence in our town due to the extended and again, in our opinion, unwarranted suspension of our Chief of Police Andy Anderson. How many times have we all heard that 'nothing really bad ever happens here'? But it can and it does and we believe that there is going to be a steep decline in the quality of life we all enjoy here without the knowledgeable and truly caring application of law enforcement that Chief Anderson has represented for our community for the past 28 years. He is an intricate part of why we can be perhaps somewhat unknowing of the more difficult and confrontational elements of life in a our town. We feel it is imperative to the welfare of our community that Chief Anderson be allowed to go back to doing his job. There are many positive things that can be happening for Seldovia over the next coming months and Chief Anderson is a part of what makes that possible.

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Energy Issues & Working Together . . .

After attending the Alternitive Energy presentation I went home with a heavy heart and know that we as a community have along way to go to implementing the potental we are blessed with. Most others living in any where USA have no choice, they are victims of greed, lack of leadership and vision, we have the oppertunity to develop power to such an extent that its affordable. independent and reliable, remember this winters down time in November and December, fun was it not, For now This community can only grow as large as its fuel tank and now that we are killing people over oil and the world powers take measures to position them selfs over this limited oil, the writing is on the wall! Major change is comming like a freight train and if our community is not prepared, life as we know, and take for granted will become somthing you wish would just go away, but it wont. you will just stay cold and hungry. We are at the wrong end of the supply line to expect any help. and for us to not take measures to develope this resorce of energie independence for this community is neglitfull and will have no one to blame but our selfs as we all take to the woods to buck saw another log the old fashion way, and drag it home, putting the town dogs to work.

Can any one hear me.....

Brian Hirsch was a breath of fresh air with his passion and vision, he made two points that are red fags for us.

1. The City and Village leadership MUST work together to make this happen. and the lack of city leadership at this presentation put a bright light on the work ahead of us.

2. We only have a few years left for money that is available, for energies development, our nation is going broke, and to shore up this hole in the water, programs will be cut, they have no choice, and when that happens we will be stuck with what we have and if we then decide because we no longer can heat our homes with a hit of the switch, the bill for development in energy independence will be on our backs, and with what I've seen in last 4 years while times are good, we won't be able to do anything but head back to the woods with a buck saw for another load to be dragged out by hand,

I have been speaking to the youth in this community and they ALL agree it's not going to get any easier, they want a secure bright future not one burdened by a lack of planning on our part while we stood the watch in our time. I'm not waiting on this city's leadership, I plan on developing my hydro potential and growing food to feed the communities around us using this power year round. For those that don't follow the sun each winter south and endure all the hardships it takes to live here year round wouldn't it be nice to buy fresh tomatoes that taste great, are affordable and available in the dead of winter's grip. Our future our choice, please for the sake of our children's future now is the time for the two camps to come together and work to this end. We speak of how important our children are and we put a lot of resources supporting this value, I now say go to the next step and take measures to secure that future.

Brian Slover
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2008 Summer Visitor . . .

Our thanks and appreciation to the editors, staff and writers of the 2008 Seldovia Visitors newspaper. This is the most professional and exciting piece that has ever been produced showcasing Seldovia. Rochelle Purpura is a very talented young writer and is destined for great things. The advertisers also need to be appreciated for helping the Gazette mature to prize-winning status.

Kudos to Tom and Mary Glover!!!

Jan and Dick Wyland

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