

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS UPDATE      MAY-JUNE 2018**

A graphic featuring the text "what's new!" on a bright green background. The word "what's" is in a bold, black, sans-serif font, while "new!" is in a white, stylized, cursive font with a black outline. The text is contained within a dark green oval shape. The entire graphic is set against a light green background with a thin black border and small square corner markers.

**what's**  
*new!*

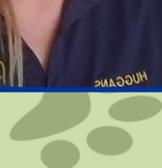
# Animal Control hosts the annual Licensing & Vaccination Clinics.....



Above: Angelle Nolan, in true Angelle style, takes a break for a selfie with her crew, Malinda Huggans and Brent Nunn, as they assist the client's humans.



Above: The clients show off their humans; Left: Brent stops for a pic. Below: The Clinic crew is all smiles.

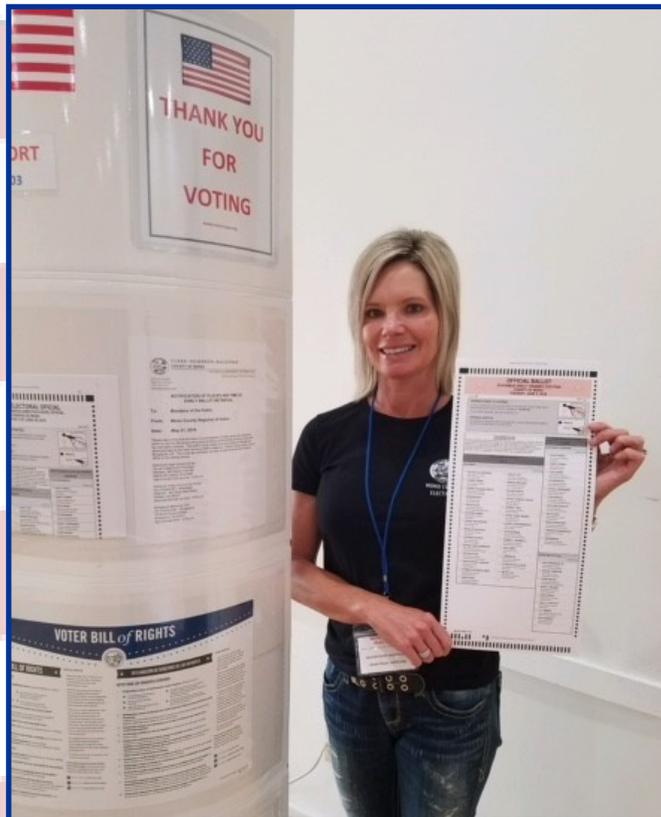


## Here's to a Successful Direct Statewide Primary Election!

On June 5, 2018 the Mono County Elections Office conducted the Direct Statewide Primary Election in Mono County. This election, the first run by new Registrar of Voters, **Shannon Kendall**, was exciting because all six polling places got to use brand new equipment. The polling locations in Mono County: Walker, Bridgeport, June Lake, Crowley Lake, Chalfant and Mammoth Lakes appeared to enjoy the new equipment as evidenced by positive feedback on surveys offered to voters upon exiting the polls. This new equipment, which was long overdue, was not only appreciated by voters but by the Election team as well. New scanners are now used in the workroom located at Annex I and they are fast, efficient, user-friendly and easy to use. Overall, the new equipment helped make this Election run smoothly.

There were many people that assisted in making this Election a success. The Elections office consists of:

**Shannon Kendall**, Registrar of Voters; **Helen Nunn**, Assistant Registrar of Voters, **Scheereen Dedman**, Sr. Deputy Clerk and two temporary election workers: **Renn Nolan** and **Ashley Strain**.



Mono County Registrar of Voters, Shannon Kendall, visited the Bridgeport Polling place on Election Day to cast her ballot and try out the new machines

This cohesive team worked tirelessly for months to ensure a successful Election Day. Additionally, the other two clerks in the office, **Ruth Hansen** and **Debra Vandebroke** (while not as involved in the election process) were very heavily depended upon to keep the front part of the office running at top speed. Without everyone in the office pitching in and doing their duties, it would have been difficult to have the resources necessary to get through the Election. Others who were greatly involved were: **Nate Greenberg**, **Jami Jerrett**, **Eric Bucklin**, **Milan Salva**, **Steve Connett**, **Neil Pieterse** and **Andy Liu** – all with the I.T. Department as well as **Leslie Chapman** (CAO) and her husband **Al Campion** (plus additional family) who assisted with transporting ballots. We were also lucky enough to have two Mono County Sheriff's **Deputies** (**Gillespie** and **Hernandez**) help with the transport as well. Members from the Community Development Department accepted vote-by-mail ballots at their office in Mammoth and **CD Ritter** of that department also offered her services at the polls. The poll workers, inspectors and the coordinators at the polling places were invaluable, very friendly and well trained.

The Mono County Board of Supervisors approved the certification and results of the June 5, 2018 Election on Tuesday, July 3, 2018. The saying that "it takes a village" applies here. It really did take all these people and more. The Elections Office is now looking ahead to the General Election on November 6, 2018. Hard to believe how soon that will be here! In the meantime, the Election Office offers its heartfelt thanks for everyone's support and dedication in helping provide an excellent voting experience to all our voters!

# Information Technology

## New Staff / Staff Changes in IT

The IT Department will have a new face beginning July 16th. **Eric Miller** (pictured, right) will be joining the GIS team in Mammoth and assisting with the development and maintenance of a variety of transportation and infrastructure related GIS projects. Eric comes to us from the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council where he focused on supporting transportation planning projects for the city of Duluth. (use PSX image).



Starting in July, **Eric Bucklin** will be transitioning from his previous position of Systems Administrator into the new role of Communication Specialist. Eric will be focusing much of his attention on the County's radio system and 'connected devices' that are used in Dispatch and our First-Responder vehicles. This move is part of the County's effort to improve the public safety communication system with the goal of improving emergency operations and response.



## Ongoing Radio Work - On the ground and up high

IT Department staff have been hard at work repairing and maintaining the County's radio system over the past month. **Eric Bucklin** has been coordinating annual Preventative Maintenance work for all Sheriff and EMS vehicles to ensure that the radios in our First Responder's vehicles and on their belts work (Use IMG\_1962). This is an ongoing process which requires testing and tuning each radio, replacing broken antennas and other parts, and keeping careful inventory of all the work done.



**Kirk Hartstrom** has been busy working on several of our mountaintop repeater sites already this summer. (Use IMG\_7833). Recently **Kirk** and **Nate Greenberg** replaced a fire department antenna at the Casa Diablo site and relocated some equipment which was causing communication difficulties for our Sheriff and fire departments. There is a lot of work that needs to be done at these sites each summer in order to ensure they are working properly come the first snowfall.

### **New County Phone System coming this Fall!**

The IT Department is excited to announce that we will be replacing the three separate phone systems used by the County and Sheriff with a brand new Cisco system. Work will begin in mid July to design and configure the new system for each department, which means that we will be meeting with key personnel within each team to determine exactly how you want this implemented. This is a Unified Communication System meaning that audio, video, and text/chat capabilities are all seamlessly integrated offering staff robust features which can be used in the office or on the go, and are completely integrated with Microsoft Outlook and other everyday business applications we rely on. Stay tuned!



### **Keep current with technology roll-outs with IT Brown Bags & Tech Tips**

If you haven't been following the emails, there has been a lot of new technology rolled out over the past six months. The County is incrementally releasing and implementing Office 365 for the whole organization, and the IT Department is doing their best to keep our users abreast of the new features and changes that are coming with monthly Brown Bag trainings. If you have not been following these trainings or able to attend in person, we encourage you to take a look at our Tech Resources portal (<https://countyofmono1.sharepoint.com/sites/TechResources>) and get caught up on some of the past trainings (if you're time constrained, focus in on the 1st & 3rd trainings).



## **Mono County Tobacco Control Joins Other Rural Counties for Capitol Information and Education Day May 22, 2018!**

This year's Capitol Information and Education Day (I&E Day) was an opportunity for tobacco control advocates throughout California to meet with their legislators. Our purpose was to share information with legislators regarding tobacco's impact on their jurisdictions, emphasizing the tobacco industry's expanding use of flavors to replenish their supply of tobacco users. Each county provided local data and County progress in tobacco control and identified ways legislators can help support healthy communities in their jurisdictions. Below are some of the key messages shared regarding flavored tobacco:

- 80% of youth who ever tried tobacco started with a flavored product
- Flavors, especially candy and fruit flavors, play a large role in influencing tobacco use or experimentation in youth and young adults
- Tobacco products with flavoring that is sweet, smells good, and looks like familiar candy appear less harmful to youth and young adults
- Menthol makes tobacco use easier, more addictive and harder to quit than regular tobacco.



Inyo and Mono Shared Billboard

Like and follow us on  
Facebook and Instagram!

@tobaccofreeeasternsierra



Welcome to  
Cynthia Garibay,  
Social Services' newest  
Eligibility Specialist!



## Drug Endangered Children

According to the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse, substance abuse is directly related to approximately 70% of child abuse and neglect cases. In Mono County, the Department of Social Services (DSS) Child Welfare Services staff is grateful for the collaborative relationships we have with our local law enforcement partners. The coordinated efforts ensure timely, effective interventions when drugs are in the homes of Mono County children.



While social workers are well-trained to identify substance abuse issues and engage with families to mitigate harm to children, often substance abuse issues rise to criminal-level problems. For example, when children are endangered due to exposure to paraphernalia or unsafe activities associated with the manufacturing or sales of drugs, law enforcement intervention is imperative. Law enforcement officers ensure proper searches where drugs are involved and collaborate with social workers to conduct interviews of victims, children and parents. Finally, collaboration with our law enforcement partners maximizes the safety of staff and families when child welfare workers need to enter homes and conduct welfare checks.



Law enforcement and child welfare serve unique functions in the community, but when it comes to protecting children from the harmful impact of drugs, both agencies have common interests. DSS staff want to say “thank you” to our partners at Mono County Sheriff’s, Mammoth Lakes Police Department, and Mono County District Attorney’s offices!

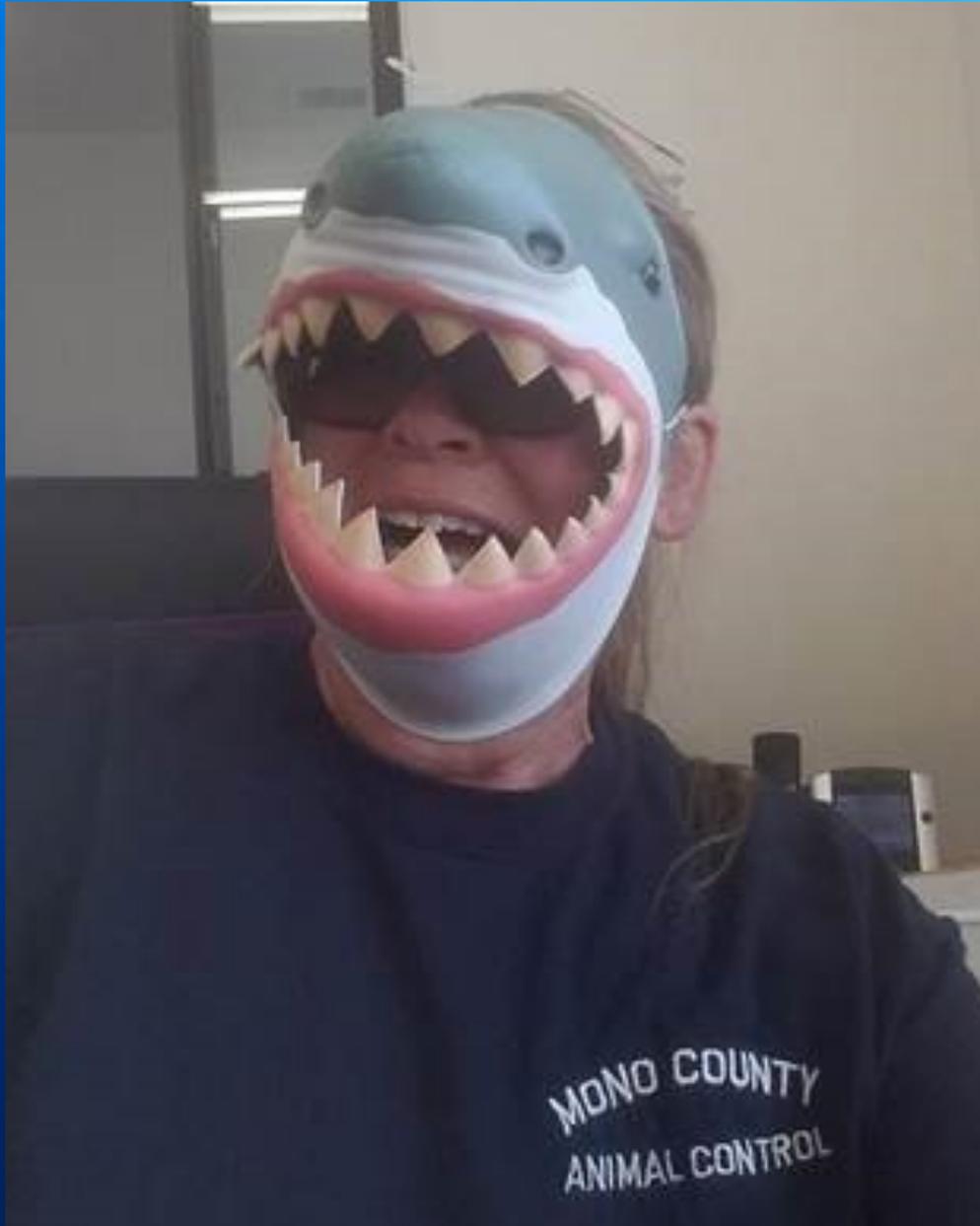
COMING

UP.....



# Shark Week!!

Will you dare venture in the water?



begins July 22nd!!

(Our fearless Animal Control Staff bravely masters all in the animal world)



**SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

**9AM START TIME**

**1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MONO COUNTY RELAY  
& WELLNESS DAY**

**The Relay**

Choose a team of 5 members and have fun picking a team name. Each team member will have to walk or run a 2-mile leg of a 10-mile relay race around Gull Lake. Teams will be entered to win a raffle at the end of the race.

**Training for the Relay**

Throughout the months of June, July and August, individuals and teams can take part in the challenges provided or select their own training program or healthy lifestyle choice.

**COME JOIN THE FUN!  
ALL ACTIVITY  
LEVELS WELCOME**

**A COUNTY WIDE  
PICNIC TO FOLLOW**

**2 MILE WALK/RUN  
AROUND GULL LAKE**

**CHALLENGE YOUR  
TEAM TO DO  
SOMETHING FUN!**

**INCENTIVES AND  
PRIZES FOR THOSE  
WHO PARTICIPATE**

**WORKSITE WELLNESS**



**Make Your Health a  
Priority**

# Behavioral Health continues to encourage community!

All Are Welcome!  
Food, Fun, Friendship!  
Dinner Provided!

# Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July

Wed., July 18, 2018  
5:00pm-7:00pm

**Bridgeport July Social**

Bridgeport  
Memorial  
Hall

Please visit our  
website:  
[http://  
www.monocounty.ca  
.gov/behavioral-  
health](http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/behavioral-health)

Event hosted by Mono  
County Behavioral Health

For more information contact  
Debra (760) 924-1740



Círculo de Mujeres es un grupo gratuito en español en el cual habrá aprendizaje, amistad, sanación, superación personal y regocijo. Aprenderemos sobre el auto cuidado, el manejo del estrés, auto conocimiento, técnicas y consejos para el diario vivir.

## CIRCULO DE MUJERES Y ESPACIO CREATIVO

Todos los jueves de 5:30pm a 7:00pm  
En el Centro de Bienestar  
(En el Segundo piso de Sierra Center Mall)

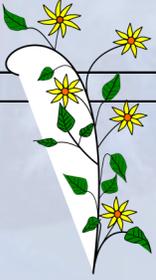
Para mayor información comuníquese con Bertha Jimenez o  
Sofia Flores al 760-924-1740

<https://www.facebook.com/saludmentalmonocounty/>

Este grupo es auspiciado por Proposición 63



Espacio Creativo ofrece un ambiente Seguro para los niños donde podrán aprender por medio del juego y la interacción social. Este grupo es solamente para los hijos/as de las participantes del Círculo de Mujeres.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<p><b>DESCRIPTION OF EACH ACTIVITY IS ON THE BACK</b></p>		<p><u>Yin Yoga Stretch</u> 1:30pm-2:30pm</p> <p>CHL 1-4 pm</p>	<p>Wellness center closed</p> 	<p><u>CHL 1-4 pm</u></p> <p><u>Circulo de Mujeres</u> 5:30pm-7:00pm</p> <p><u>Espacio Creativo</u> 5:30pm-7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Yin Yoga Stretch</u> 1:30pm-2:30pm</p>	
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# Club House Live Summer Program 2018

Club House Live is a free summer program for Middle School & High School students that gives Mono County youth a safe place to socialize, explore the outdoors, and improve leadership skills. Youth will meet at the Sierra Wellness Center before all activities. Permission forms must be signed and turned in prior to the activity. Packets are available at Mono County Behavioral Health. Please refer to the CHL calendar. For questions, please contact Sofia Flores or Andres Villalpando at 760-924-1740

<http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/behavioral-health/page/wellness-centers>  
Sierra Wellness Center, 452 Old Mammoth Rd Suite 211, Mammoth Lakes

## June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
				Summer Kick off @ June Lake 1-4 pm		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Explore Mammoth 1-4 pm	Whitmore/ animal Shelter 1-4 pm	Leadership Activity Shady Rest Park 1-4 pm	Benton Social 3:30- 8:30 pm	

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## July 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Explore Mammoth 1-4 pm	NO CHL	June Lake 1-4 pm		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Biking-rentals included 1-4 pm	NO CHL staff training	NO CHL staff training		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Horseback riding 12:30-4:00 pm	Whitmore/ animal Shelter 1-4 pm	June Lake 1-4 pm		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		Explore Mammoth 1-4 pm	Climbing day TBD	Climbing day TBD	Benton Social 3:30-8:30 pm	
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		Mammoth Mountain Activities 1-4 pm				

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## August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Whitmore/ animal Shelter 1-4 pm	June Lake 1-4 pm		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Explore Mammoth- Volunteer with MCPH 1-4	Whitmore/ animal Shelter 1-4 pm	June Lake 1-4 pm		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Explore Mammoth 1-4	Whitmore/ animal Shelter 1-4 pm	End of Summer Event TBD		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			First day of school			
26	27	28	29	30	31	
					Benton Social 3:30- 8:30 pm	

If you would like to **become a volunteer for the Northern Mono County Hospice**,  
join us for this training:

## **Volunteer Hospice and Doula Training**

**July 12-14, 2018, Walker and Bridgeport, California**  
**Presented by International End of Life Doula Association (INELDA)**

~ Contact Patti Hamic-Christensen 760/809-1489 for information and to register ~

### **Schedule**

Attend Day 1 to become a General Hospice Volunteer; Attend all three Days to become an End of Life Doula.

#### **Thursday, July 12 Day 1: Hospice Training**

8:45 – 9:00 Check-in/get acquainted  
9:00 -10:30 Hospice/Palliative Care overview  
10:30 – 10:40 Break  
10:40 – 12:30 Personal Death Awareness  
12:30 – 1:30 lunch  
1:30 – 3:30 Grief Walker/Being Mortal  
3:30 – 3:45 Break  
3:45 – 5:45 Communication/Role of a Volunteer

#### **Friday, July 13 Day 2: Doula Training**

9:00 –12:00 (with 1 break)  
12:00 -12:30 Lunch  
1:00 -5:30 Training continued

#### **Saturday, July 14 Day 3: Doula Training**

9:00 – 12:00 (with 1 break)  
12:00 -12:30 Lunch  
1:00 - 5:30 Training continued

International End of Life Doula Association (INELDA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing deeper meaning and greater comfort to dying people and loved ones in the last days of life.

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#### **Kris Kington-Barker, Instructor**



Kris Kington-Barker has been the Executive Director for Hospice of San Luis Obispo (SLO) County in California since 2010. She was drawn to the work of INELDA when seeking a way for Hospice SLO to more fully embrace the spiritual, social, and emotional aspects of end of life care. In 2015, she brought INELDA to Hospice SLO for the first of a series of doula trainings offered to staff and volunteers. Kris has been a lead doula since then. She received her INELDA doula certification in early 2017 and then became an INELDA trainer.

Prior to her work at Hospice SLO, Kris worked in the fields of mental health, rural clinic education, and acute care hospital planning, development, operations and administration. She is currently a board member for INELDA; Health Commissioner for the SLO County Health Commission; a certified Conscious Aging facilitator through the Institute of Noetic Sciences, and a POLST and Advanced Healthcare facilitator/trainer through the California Coalition for Compassionate Care. Kris also hosts Central Coast Voices, a weekly talk show addressing community issues, which airs on KCBX-FM Public Radio.

Kris's work in hospice, and as a doula, has allowed her to align the skills learned throughout her career with her heart's work. She seeks to inspire and mentor communities and individuals to hold dying and death with as much reverence as we do the beginning of life.

~ Brought to you by a partnership between INELDA and Northern Mono County Hospice, P.O. Box 274, Coleville CA ~