STREET SHIT SHEET

#172 **September 9, 2023** 50c or pay a visit to a tented neighbor

Tenderfoot Tim tells us he's spied "no parking" cones going up on Swanton and Delaware near the vehicular encampment of homes-on-wheels still surviving there in spite of the Coastal Commission's surrender to city fairy stories about adequate overnight parking space.

Still no reply from "Missed Call" Evan Morrison and "Can't Hear You" Cat on when they'll be correcting the badly outdated *Santa Cruz Free Guide*, apparently gathering dust since January on-line, which falsely claims *Food Not Bombs* serves daily and *Footbridge Services* is still open.

Check the *Guide* out at https://santacruzfreeguide.org/static/pdfs/SC011023_eng.pdf . Let us know which of their "resources" actually provide real help. Like food, shelter, housing, etc.?

Will U.S. District Judge Donna Ryu actually hold the lying San Francisco police and clean-up goon squads accountable by appointing a special master to oversee their "we destroy only abandoned tents" tales and forced evictions? A positive decision could reverberate here.

Another year-long banning from MHCAN [Mental Health Clients Action Network] with Roadweary Robert joining the ousted Q.Z. The otherwise commendable sort-of peer-run counseling-and-relief center faces complaints of unfair exclusion. HUFF [Homeless United for Friendship & Freedom] is still waiting to view a series of policy ("rules") guidelines.

MHCAN has earned praise from many homeless folks and their advocate allies for its provision of healing and helpful space for folks with "mental illness" designations. Seems like funding sources are requiring such labels and the City restricting access with permit requirements.

Jaded Josh Nay, who has reported past assaults by the SCPD, told us of another one some weeks ago when he reported an accident on his bike in front of New Leaf Market and ended up being hauled away and now faces charges himself after an angry interchange.

"Mixed messages" from the 9th Circuit Court's 3 judge panel up in San Francisco on when it's okay to punish someone outside for not taking a shelter offer. Victims claim shelter is not being offered in the "clean-up" operations & have presented enough evidence to maintain the supposed ban on sweeps. Cops and clean-up crews continue to destroy campsites anyway, ignoring the ban and claiming they are only evicting the "voluntary homeless."

Turn over the *Street Shit Sheet* and see how many services listed that don't operate as advertised. Tell Bathrobespierre Robert of *HUFF* so we can provide something useful.

Want to tell your side of the story? Give a call to Robert at *HUFF* (831-423-4833) or pipe up at the weekly *HUFF* meeting every Thursday 10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. or so at 703 Pacific Ave.—the Sub Rosa Café, next to the Bike Church. All welcome.