

Photographer

Jeff Lock has spent the last year volunteering with Friends of Nevada Wilderness, using his photography skills to document his travels. On Feb. 19, his photos were presented at Buenos Grill.

How did you develop an interest in photography, and how did this event come to fruition?

I volunteered to do field work for Friends of Nevada Wilderness. So, we went into the Sierra, White Mountains and into Las Vegas—so around Red Rock and the Valley of Fire. But I've been photographing nature since 1980, and, around eight years ago, I started a series called *Winter Slide* where I would present photos with other photographers at Buenos Grill. But I've been interested in photography all my life and believe getting out on-foot and experiencing a town or place is the best way to have a better understanding.

What kind of message do you think your photography sends, or what are you trying to say?

I want to inform, entertain and inspire people to live a passionate life. If you have a passion, then you need to learn and grow with that energy. The one thing that connects us is passion, and I'm trying to be that example. I want to try and give back to the public and



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really find a way to do it all. I'm 62 and have been a cyclist all my life along with photography, but I want to lead by example that passion drives anything. I like photographing nature the most because it's so dynamic and can be used for so many different things. Old nature, new nature, it all holds different elements.

What started your passion for photography and how has Friends of Nevada Wilderness helped you expand upon that?

Well, my family moved to California in 1966, and I had a two-year stay in Yellowstone as well, so being around all that nature really sealed it for me. Living also in the Sacramento Valley and the Santa Cruz area really drove my interest in photography. The

volunteer job was 13 weekends around Hunter Falls Trail, and I just really wanted to try and help in any way I can because these projects just can't get done with the amount of people working to help. There are millions of acres for maybe five people to cover it's just not possible. So, anyway to give back I try to do it. And with where we are in technology connecting with people and other photographers is as easy as ever. I've worked with people who have been to very exotic places and have done excellent work, and I wasn't able to do that when I was first starting out. The only way to be noticed was to be in an exhibit.

What do you plan to discuss during your presentation?

The first portion will mainly be focused on the field work, going to Soldier Meadows, going into the mountains and even interacting with Big Horn Sheep. The photography is really set before and after a work day. The end is my time in Las Vegas with Red Rock and Valley of Fire, like I said. A lot of group photos and just covering the nature of it all. Showing people what we got to see and experience through the eye of the lens. Hopefully try and tell a story of what we were able to accomplish. But all proceeds go to Friends of Nevada Wilderness, and anyone can join to help by going to events and volunteering. □

NOTES FROM THE NEON BABYLON

BY BRUCE VAN DYKE

Seeing orange

Hey, how about that Department of Justice investigation into Hillary Clinton? (Code named Something! Anything! Goddammit!) Shockingly, it came up with a big fat *zilch zippo zero*. Absolutely nothing. Lock her up? How about leave her the fuck alone? "Well, OK, let's check her library card. Maybe something there. Nunes, get on that." OK, so let's get that big bad Andy McCabe, arch-enemy of Zombie Cult 45. And, gee, once again, the DOJ steps squarely upon its severely bruised johnson. Nada. Negative. *A big fat nothing burger.*

Gee, how did that happen? Obviously, the Deep State has some really good lawyers! And now, over 2,000 ex-DOJ officials have signed off on the "Hey, Bill Barr, quit being a suckup coffee boy for Dipshit" letter. Not 20, not 200. *Two thousand.* That's not a nothing burger.

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Republicans are having a tough millennium. Proof? The last two Republican administrations have been the two worst administrations in the history of America. This is now inarguable, indisputable fact. We all know Dubya was hideous. We were there. And then Agent Orange rumbles in. "I'll see your hideous and raise you a raving, insane abomination." Everyone meekly folds. Amazingly, Twitler makes people actually *long for Dubya*, which is an extremely bizarre concept and yet one to which I can relate and grasp. But really, GOP, it's time to up your game. I mean, ferfuxake!

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In the last couple of weeks, millions of us Dems woke up to Bloomberg. Woke up to the possibility of, "Hey, maybe *this* is the guy." As I noted last week, he's got a couple of strong things going for him, not the least of which is his dough.

But what got us revved up, I'd guess, is not the money, but that he comes off like a man who could kick Trump's ass up between his shoulder blades. And for approximately 97 percent of us Dems this year, *that's the only thing that matters.* This ain't quantum physics, folks. It's *the* question for 2020. "Can you kick Trump's mottled, horrible ass?" That's it. Issues, schmissues. We know issues and policies will all improve greatly, automatically and immediately. All of them. *Just kick Dum Dum's ass!*

So, OK, many of us think Bloomberg could do just that. What about the others? Could Bernie thump Trump? I think he could. Every time I listen to him, I gotta admit, he's right on. How about Mayor Pete? I don't know. Biden? Yes. I think? Liz? Yes. Steyer? Yes. Amy? I'm not sure. Hey, nobody's perfect. Everybody has vulnerable spots (but especially that lugnut in the White House). □



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