

Letters to the Editor

Peninsula Daily News for last Tuesday, November 3, ran a column, Forest's Solitude Lures Hunters is a shallow, self-serving commentary to justify sport hunting by _____ "The basic truth among most west end hunters is the solitude and immense beauty of the forest, an excise to wander all day in the woods and admire the changing elements of nature in autumn."

Self-serving justification by "sport" hunters that killing deer and elk by gunshot and elk and bear by bow hunting are not the primary motivation for there is no "sport hunter". The real truth is in the solitude and immense beauty of the forest and to admire the changing elements of nature in the autumn. If this was truly the case, they conveniently left out the pain and suffering as a brain shot to kill instantly is rare and bow hunting results in a slow death by a wounded animal bleeding to death.

Thankfully, the majority of the population is sickened by the suffering and death of animals simply trying to survive which is becoming more difficult with human encroachment and loss of habitat.