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Key witness takes the stand in Voting Rights lawsuit

KATE CAGLE

Daily Press Staff Writer

The woman suing the City to change to district elections after losing her bids for the City Council and College Board took the stand Thursday in a trial that

will determine the future of Santa Monica's democracy. Attorneys from both sides grilled her for two-and-a-half hours before the court took a break for lunch. When they returned, Maria Loya returned to the witness stand, closed her eyes and took a deep

breath.

Loya's 2004 campaign for the City Council is one of seven elections her team of lawyers say were racially polarized. In that election, Bobby Shriver swept the city-wide race, winning the most votes in every single neighborhood except

for hers, the Pico Neighborhood.

"I'm proud to say I won every precinct in the Pico Neighborhood," Loya said. "It felt gratifying. It felt good but at the time it was sad because (my voters) were really excited about the possibility of having a strong voice on the Council

and, although I won every precinct, it wasn't enough."

Loya's lawyers say her case gives important context to Judge Yvette Palazuelos, who has the ultimate say in whether Santa Monica's cur-

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Corporate donations are new test for Democratic candidates

LISA LERER

Associated Press

When an audience member at a town hall asked California Sen. Kamala Harris earlier this year to reject corporate donations, her answer was decidedly non-committal. "Well, that depends," she said.

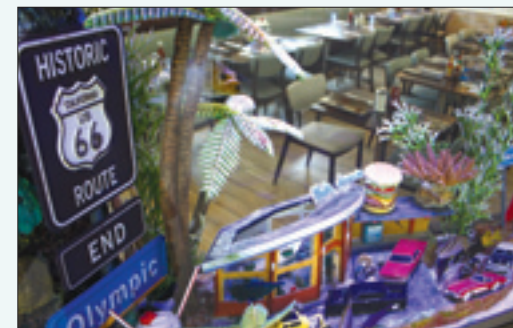
"Wrong answer," the questioner responded, shrugging his shoulders. Harris wouldn't be wrong

twice: Less than a month later, she reversed herself, telling the hosts of a morning radio show that she'd no longer accept checks from corporate political action committees.

"Money has now really tipped the balance between an individual having equal power in an election to a corporation," Harris said on "The Breakfast Club," a program on a New

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Groups driven to get their kicks with historical designation of Route 66



Courtesy photo

ROUTE 66: Mel's Diner celebrates its destination as the end point of Route 66.

ANGEL CARRERAS

Daily Press Staff Writer

A stone's throw away from the smiling Penguin atop Mel's Diner is a piece of unnoticed history—the endpoint (technically) of Route 66. This Friday, August 3, Mel's will host a party-like celebration of the famous route with local and state groups in an attempt to educate and inspire people to sign a petition to bring a

National Historic Trail designation for Route 66.

Currently, the route is protected under The National Park Service Route 66 Corridor Preservation Program, a program which provides preservation planning, research, and educational initiatives among many more services. However, the program must be renewed every few years, currently set to terminate next year. A permanent

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PALPALOOZA

Courtesy photo

Pacific Park hosted its 14th Annual PALpalooza event with over 450 kids on the Santa Monica Pier on Tuesday, July 31. More than 15 California Police Activities League (CalPAL) chapters, from Santa Barbara to Victorville, joined the Santa Monica Police Activities League (PAL) to receive a free, fun-filled back-to-school treat featuring exciting rides, mid-way games and meals from the Park's oceanfront food court.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Santa Monica Municipal Code Chapter 9.32 Telecommunications Facilities

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to introduce for first reading an ordinance to repeal and replace Santa Monica Municipal Code Chapter 9.32 - Telecommunications Facilities.

The City's regulations governing telecommunications facilities, codified in the Municipal Code as Chapter 9.32, are now outdated. Since 1994 when these regulations were last holistically updated most of the regulated equipment has become obsolete and use of cellular technology has proliferated. In addition, new laws and regulations have been promulgated by the State and Federal governments requiring the City to amend its local laws to be in compliance with these directives.

DATE/TIME: TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018, AT 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: Telecommunications Ordinance Update
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

Or email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net

MORE INFORMATION

If you want more information about this ordinance, please contact Scott Albright at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at scott.albright@smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 7, 8, 9, Rapid 10, and 18 serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL

Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar aplicaciones proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.



CITY OF SANTA MONICA REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites sealed Statement of Qualifications for

**RFQ: # 183 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND ENGINEERING
DESIGN SERVICES**

• **Submission Deadline is September 5, 2018 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.**

Statement of Qualifications must include forms furnished by the City of Santa Monica. Request for Qualifications may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL**. The website for this Request for Qualifications and related documents is: [Planet Bids](http://venders.planetbids.com/SantaMonica/bidsearch4.cfm) or <http://venders.planetbids.com/SantaMonica/bidsearch4.cfm>. There is no charge for the RFQ package.



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Friday, August 3

Karin Kano Exhibition

Karin Kano, Japanese author illustrator and painter now living in Los Angeles. Exhibition of original, beloved works. August 3(Fri) - 5(Sun), Fri / Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday until 4 p.m. Free. At Blue7Gallery, 3129 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405 TEL (310) 449-1444

Free screening of "Embrace of the Serpent"

This week, Mind Over Movies screens "Embrace of the Serpent," a psychedelic pseudo-documentary on the Amazon River, which was the first Colombian feature nominated for an Academy Award. Film subtitled and in black and white. Screening followed by roundtable discussion and audience Q&A. The Christian Institute, 1308 Second Street. 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit facebook.com/MindOverMoviesLA.

Saturday, August 4

Downtown Walking Tour

Discover downtown Santa Monica's architectural gems, history and culture with our team of highly-rated docents. From Art Deco to Victorian and Romanesque Revival, you'll explore the various styles that fill the streets of our city. Every Saturday at 10 a.m. \$5 members / \$10 general public. 1436 Second Street. info@smconservancy.org, (310) 496-3146 <http://www.smconservancy.org/events-programs/downtown-walking-tours/>

Musical Story Time

Enjoy a musical story time with books, puppets, instruments and songs! Ages 2-5. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Paws to Read

Practice your reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog from Paws 4 Healing. Signup in advance for a 15-minute period starting June 18. Call 310-458-8682 or visit the

branch to reserve your spot. June 28 to August 4. Ages 5-10. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 2 - 3 p.m.

Ocean Park Book Group: Stoner by John Williams

A Monthly Meeting of the Ocean Park Book Group. Meets the 1st Saturday of the Month. Open to All. No Registration Required. This month, the group discusses Stoner by John Williams. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 5

Jazz on the Lawn

The Jazz on the Lawn summer concert series returns for its 13th season in August. The community is invited to grab friends, family and dancing shoes for free concerts in the park. A sampling of genres curated through the jazz lens, free dance lessons, intermission performances, and some of the area's finest food trucks will be presented in Gandara Park (formerly Stewart Street Park). 5 - 7 p.m.

A Watercolor Journey with Timothy Kitiz

Timothy will share tips about both medium and technique while going through weekly demo exercises to hone your compositional vision, principles of color values, color mixing and brush work. \$35 cash drop-in (please bring exact change). 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. 1450 Ocean.

Guest House

Free tours begin at 11 a.m., 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. No reservations needed. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH.

Monday, August 6

Architectural Review Board Meeting

The Santa Monica Architectural Review Board normally meets on the first and third Monday of every month in the City Council Chamber. City Hall, 1685 Main St. 7 p.m.

For help submitting an event, contact us at **310-458-7737** or submit to events@smdp.com



CITY OF SANTA MONICA REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites sealed proposals for
RFP: #186 CITY OF SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY CLASSES AND CAMPS
• **Submission Deadline is August 16, 2018, at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.**

Proposals must include forms furnished by the City of Santa Monica. Request for Proposals may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL**. The website for this Request for Proposals and related documents is: [Planet Bids](http://PlanetBids.com) or <http://vendors.planetbids.com/SantaMonica/bid-search4.cfm>. There is no charge for the RFP package.

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A Jewish Smokey Bear, I Wasn't (Part 1)

CURRENTLY, THERE ARE EIGHTEEN BRUSH and forest fires raging in California. By far the worst is the Ferguson fire in Redding where at least eight have died (including two fire fighters) and four residents are missing. The inferno, ignited by a spark from a towed vehicle, has destroyed over 113,000 acres, 1,000 homes and severely damaged 200 others and is already the 6th worst fire in California history.

The arson-caused Cranston fire in Idyllwild, the small mountain community above Palm Springs, has destroyed seven homes and 13,118 acres but thankfully there were no fatalities. With historic "extreme heat" on four continents and record rains in the Northeast, the planet looks like Al Gore's Inconvenient Truth right before our eyes.

I lived in Idyllwild for five years and still have friends there. One is Connie who lives in a trailer in Mt. Center, which she had to hurriedly evacuate. Upon her return, she's been told there may be no electricity for a month. Grateful her trailer didn't go up in smoke, she jokes that, until power is restored, she's going to be "glamping," (luxury camping) i.e. eating a lot of sandwiches.

During my Idyllwild days I worked for the U.S. Forest Service and worked on a few forest fires. It's exhausting, even in your 20's. It's also dangerous as fire fighters heroically risk injury and even death.

On a brighter note, I'll share a hopefully amusing personal story from many years ago about a potentially huge forest fire I thought I spotted. Summoning my inner Smokey Bear, I felt I, alone, was going to prevent the entire forest from being destroyed. But, as you'll see, I, alone, almost did exactly the opposite.

It was in August, just like now. I had recently been "promoted" to garbage truck driver. You may wonder why a college graduate, law school dropout, loved driving a huge two ton garbage truck for U.S.F.S. Simple. When you were in garbage collection you were your own boss. (Which also meant some of us smoked a little pot on occasion.)

To get the promotion I fibbed (okay, lied) claiming experience driving trucks. A Jewish kid from W. Los Angeles, I had none. In fact, I had great difficulty just backing up this huge vehicle. So, after hours, I used to sneak back to the Forest Service parking lot to practice. You had to rely solely on the exterior rear view mirrors because the window in the cab looked directly into the truck bed. Soon, how-

ever, I mastered the truck and was very proud of myself. (Obviously, it didn't take much.)

The truck was a brand new Forest Service green, two ton, 10-speed International Harvester, with a bed that could be raised and lowered with from inside the cab. This meant getting rid of the garbage at the county dump required merely swinging open the back doors and, with a flip of the switch, the garbage went bye-bye.

Meanwhile, because of the heat and drought, the threat of a major forest fire was so extreme, the entire Forest Service was "on alert." This also mandated that the radio in my truck was temporarily given to extra fire patrol technicians. On this particular day, I drove merrily up a dirt road (yes, a little stoned) to pick up the garbage from a remote campground. It didn't occur to me that, sans radio, if there was an emergency, I had no way to reach headquarters.

This changed drastically when, further up the road, I suddenly smelled a smoldering fire. Eyes nervously peeled, I drove very slowly as the smell kept getting stronger. Around each corner I thought I was going to see a wall of flames. Finally, I decided to get out on foot and inspect where the fire could be coming from.

As I hurriedly exited the truck, to my adrenaline-laced horror, I immediately got my answer. The entire truck bed was engulfed in a huge blaze. Aerosol cans were exploding like hand grenades and flames were shooting toward low-hanging tree branches. (Talk about a buzz kill!)

Here I thought I was tracking down a forest fire and all along I was the forest fire! The flames were seen in Riverside 50 miles away and within minutes, like a giant military operation, every plane, helicopter and fire truck in the district would be speeding my way. (Suffice it to say, Smokey would have been very unhappy with me.)

So what did yours truly, city boy, do to prevent flying embers from setting the entire forest ablaze? Unfortunately, dear readers, since I just hit my 800 word limit, you'll have to check next Friday for Part 2. Going out on a limb (pun intended) I'm confident you'll find the conclusion entertaining. That said, at the time, I definitely didn't.

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Rising liberal Democrat star on West Coast fundraising swing

Associated Press

New York congressional candidate Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez — a rising liberal star who is challenging the Democratic Party establishment — was scheduled to appear Thursday in Los Angeles as part of West Coast fundraising swing.

The 28-year-old startled the party when she defeated 10-term U.S. Rep. Joe Crowley in a New York City Democratic primary.

The surprise victory by the political novice and community organizer in a district that includes parts of the Bronx and Queens came after a low-budget campaign that she built around liberal and social causes, not the traditional Democratic Party machine. Crowley had been expected to win easily.

Her trip to California comes at a time

when the state's Democratic Party has been contending with friction between its establishment and liberal wings.

Crowley represents New York's 14th Congressional District.

Ocasio-Cortez was outspent by an 18-1 margin during her race. But won the endorsement of influential groups on the party's left wing, including MoveOn, as well as the actress Cynthia Nixon, who is running for governor. She defeated Crowley by 15 percentage points.

Her platform includes expanding the Medicare program to people of all ages and abolishing Immigrations and Customs Enforcement.

Tickets for the Los Angeles event at a downtown theater are \$27, with \$10 entry for students, according to an invitation posted on Facebook.

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rent system should be upended. In current races, candidates must campaign throughout the entire city. The 2001 California Voting Rights Act allows minorities to argue for district elections if they can show racially-polarized voting.

In 2004, Loya faced a difficult election season, with more than a dozen candidates, some who had lived in the city for decades. To make competition even tougher, Shriver proved to be a juggernaut, as his uncle, US Senator Ted Kennedy, made phone calls to residents and mother Eunice Kennedy Shriver knocked on doors. Shriver swept the election, earning 16 percent of the vote.

Still, a political newcomer, Loya earned an endorsement from Santa Monicans for Renter Rights and came in seventh overall. Loya had only moved to Santa Monica four years earlier, but immediately became active in civic life. It's how she met her husband, Oscar de la Torre, who currently serves on the School Board. They brought the suit on behalf of the Pico Neighborhood Association to improve an area of the city they say has a history of neglect.

"One thing I learned...is that raising issues of discrimination and neglect...was not welcome," Loya said. "To be accepted by city leaders, even by the majority of the residents that I talked to, I had to keep quiet on that. I had to keep a low profile on raising concerns and issues."

Loya's lawyers, including famous civil rights attorney Milton Grimes, paint a bleak picture of the Pico Neighborhood, arguing minority residents have historically been ignored, showing photos of a burned-out home near Loya's apartment. Loya says she worries about Methane gas from Gandara Park, the site of a former landfill. Grimes points to the construction of Interstate 10 in the 1950's, which divided the neighborhood and displaced thousands of minority families.

Attorneys for the City from Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher, LLP, counter with different pictures, mostly of the recently revitalized Virginia Avenue Park. Loya and de la Torre both attended a ribbon cutting for the park in 2014. The construction of the Pico library branch there cost more than \$10 million.

"There are a lot of vibrant things about your community, are there not?" Gibson, Dunn attorney Michele Maryott asked Loya. "I love my community," Loya confirmed.

The City is defending the at-large election system instituted in 1947. Ballot measures to go to districts have been rejected twice by Santa Monica voters. The City Council has also rejected a proposal to change to districts. Because the majority of Latinos live outside the Pico neighborhood, the city argues a change to district elections would actually hurt their chance of electing their preferred candidates. Latinos make up 13.6 percent of Santa Monica.

Both sides agree this case will come down to the testimony of demographers and statisticians like David Ely, the founder of Compass Demographics, who has drawn districts in other CVRA cases brought by the same team of lawyers. Ely also took the stand Thursday to review data on voter preference in past elections.

Ely said his research shows the median household income for Latinos in Santa Monica is about \$49,000 a year, where white families make about \$88,000 a year.

"I think the data about the income is relevant to this case because what I'm evaluating here is the different communities and how they are able to participate in the political process," Ely said. Loya's lawyers argue at-large elections in Santa Monica are too expensive for Latino candidates.

Judge Palazuelos leaned toward her computer screen during Ely's testimony, actively taking notes and asking questions about his data. His maps showed Pico Neighborhood residents earn less money, are less likely to have college degrees and are mostly minority.

"Are whites the majority in the Pico neighborhood?" Grimes asked.

"No," Ely replied.

"Why do you say that?" asked Grimes.

"My calculations show it's roughly 40 percent or less throughout the Pico neighborhood," Ely said. "They may be a plurality, but they are certainly not a majority."

Ely testified candidates who live north of Montana Avenue have a fifty percent success rate in at-large elections for City Council. For those who live between Wilshire and Pico Boulevard, the success rate is only 4.8 percent.

"The area of Pico to Wilshire is dramatically underrepresented," Ely said.

In response, Ely recommends creating a Pico district roughly bordered by Pico Boulevard to the South, Lincoln Boulevard to the west, Broadway to the north and the city limits to the East. That district would be 34 percent Latino, 40 percent white, 12 percent black and 12 percent Asian.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA LANDMARKS COMMISSION

SUBJECT Public hearings will be held by the Landmarks Commission on the following:

1659 Ocean Front Walk, 17ENT-0158. Zoning: R3 (Medium Density Residential) district, Beach Overlay. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior façade improvements including but not limited to the replacement of existing (non-original) windows and modifications to the existing (non-original) building colors. The subject multi-unit residential building is known as the Purser Apartments, a designated City Landmark. **Applicant/Owner: 1659 Ocean Front in Santa Monica, LLC.**

1124 7th Street, 18ENT-0064. Zoning: R2 (Low Density Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation application 18ENT-0064 for the property located at 1124 7th Street to determine whether the one-story, early twentieth-century residence, in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark and, if so designated, whether an associated Landmark Parcel should be defined and described in order to preserve, maintain, protect, or safeguard the Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will consider the application based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented demonstrates that the building meets one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation pursuant to SMMC Section 9.56.100(A). The Commission reviewed the proposed Landmark designation at the July 9, 2018 Landmarks Commission meeting and continued the item to allow for additional research based on Commission comments. **Applicant/Owner: Jonathan Collier, 7th Street Investments, LLC.**

1527 17th Street, 18ENT-0134. Zoning: R2 (Low Density Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation application 18ENT-0134 for the property located at 1527 17th Street to determine whether the one-story bungalow located at the front of the property, in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark and, if so designated, whether an associated Landmark Parcel should be defined and described in order to preserve, maintain, protect, or safeguard the Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will consider the application based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented demonstrates that the building meets one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation pursuant to SMMC Section 9.56.100(A). **Applicant/Owner: Susan Parsons.**

When: Monday, August 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Where: City Council Chambers,
City Hall, Room 213
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

Questions/Comments

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment on this and other projects at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter addressed to Steve Mizokami, Senior Planner, City Planning Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, California, 90401, by phone (310) 458-8341, or by email at steve.mizokami@smgov.net.

More Information

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Espanol

Este es un aviso de una audiencia pública para considerar la designación de una propiedad en la ciudad como un monumento histórico. Para más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.

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designation would essentially operate as the current program, but perhaps bring more to the route and surrounding communities.

To raise awareness of the designation efforts, the National Trust for Historic Preservation is going on a road trip throughout the entirety of Route 66, stopping in various towns and cities, it's last stop ending at the end of the route, At Mel's in Santa Monica.

"The designation status would bring many things," Andy Grable, Associate Director of Public Affairs for the National Trust for Historic Preservation, said. "National Awareness, being recognized by the government, and being in the national park system. It would have the opportunity to reach more people and increase the chance for private and federal dollars to come into these communities."

The designation effort has support from political world as well, with Grable saying a bill has been passed by the House with bipartisan support.

"[Route 66] signifies our culture on the open road and the growth of American

economy. The cultural significance — regardless of political preference — is recognized. This campaign is bringing this to a wider audience."

Carol Lemlein, president of the Santa Monica Conservancy, applauds the designation effort.

"Its apart of our cultural heritage," Lemlein said. She regards the route as a main vein of Americana, an artery of travel through big cities with its asphalt capillaries stretching out into smaller communities.

She adds that people taking interstates as opposed to the route are causing communities around the route to suffer, missing one-of-a-kind, interesting natural views, architecture, and towns that look like they're from a bygone era.

"I think it represents a mode of travel of our past," she said. "The family road trip certainly isn't something that's gone but nowadays people are on the Interstate. Back in the day people were interested in the scenic byways. There's still an opportunity to do that on 66. If you take time to stop and explore you can see some interesting things."

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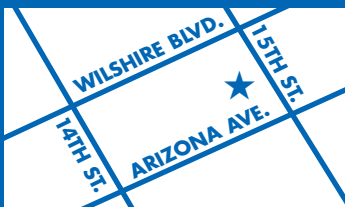
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Suspicious person 2300 block 10th 12:03 a.m.
Disturbance 2700 block Neilson 12:43 a.m.
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Medical Aid 1100 block 3rd 5:40 a.m.
Petty theft 800 block Wilson 6:28 a.m.
Traffic Collision 200 block Arizona 6:32 a.m.
Fight 1100 block Lincoln 6:56 a.m.
Vandalism 1700 block Appian 7:12 a.m.
Grand theft 500 block Lincoln 8:26 a.m.
Burglary 100 block of Bay 8:49 a.m.
Encampment 2000 block Ocean 8:54 a.m.
Suspicious person Lincoln/Alta 9:22 a.m.
Hit and run 500 block 17th 9:27 a.m.
Burglary 1900 block Ocean 9:38 a.m.
Medical Emergency 1600 block Ocean 10:05 a.m.
Elder Abuse 1300 block Euclid 10:08 a.m.
Traffic Collision 300 block Olympic 10:08 a.m.
Robbery 9th/Olympic 10:19 a.m.
Battery 1200 block 2nd 10:29 a.m.
Stakeout 4th/Wilshire 10:33 a.m.
Hit and run 26th/Broadway 11:05 a.m.
72 Psych hold 2400 block 3rd 11:17 a.m.
Vandalism Ocean/Colorado 11:35 a.m.
Disturbance 2600 block Main 12:02 a.m.
Battery 3000 block Nebraska 12:19 a.m.

Petty theft 700 block Broadway 12:29 a.m.
Death Investigation 2700 block Neilson 13:37 p.m.
Illegal Weapon 1600 block Ocean 12:46 p.m.
Civil dispute 1100 block 6th 1:13 p.m.
Suspicious person 2500 block Main 1:43 p.m.
Vandalism 1400 block Lincoln 1:55 p.m.
Person down 11th/Colorado 3:36 p.m.
Petty theft 00 block Bay 4:14 p.m.
Burglary 1400 block 18th 4:24 p.m.
Suspicious person 1500 block California 4:36 p.m.
Lewd Activity 300 block Santa Monica 4:43 p.m.
Domestic Moomat/Ocean 5:04 p.m.
Medical Emergency 400 block Santa Monica 5:05p.m.
Child Endangerment Lincoln/Arizona 5:29 p.m.
Traffic Collision 17th/Broadway 5:45 p.m.
Battery 100 block Wilshire 5:57 p m
Sexual assault 1300 block Franklin 6:20 p.m.
Hit and run 1400 block 2nd 6:39 p.m.
Person down 1400 block 19th 6:56 p.m.
Missing Person 300 block Santa Monica 7:22 p.m.
Threats report 1400 block Olympic 7:26 p.m.
Disturbance 2800 block Pico 7:52 p.m.
Petty theft 2500 block 7th 7:58 p.m.
Hit and run Ocean/Olympic 8:37 p.m.
Robbery 1400 block Lincoln 9:07 p.m.
Domestic 1600 block Ocean 9:22 p.m.
Suspicious person 600 block 22nd 9:49 p.m.
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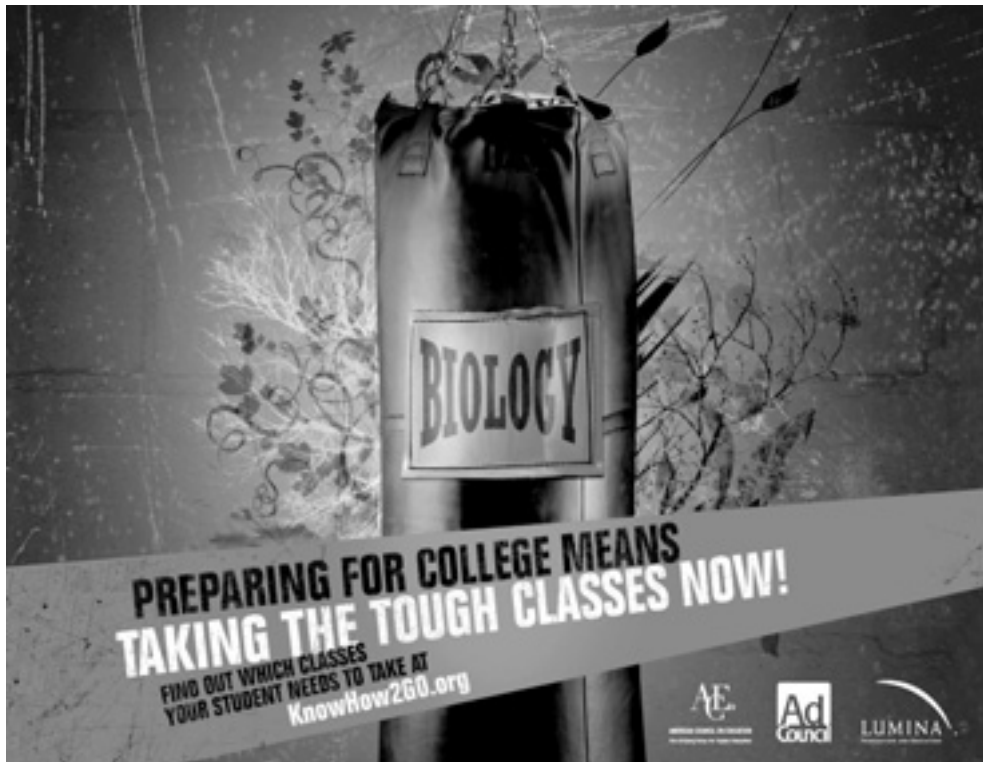
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Alarm 400 block Santa Monica 12:53 a.m.
EMS 2nd/Santa Monica 2:04 a.m.
Alarm 200 block Santa Monica 4:25 a.m.
EMS 1100 block 3rd 5:41 a.m.
EMS 3300 block Ocean 5:54 a.m.
EMS 21st/Navy 7:28 a.m.
EMS 300 block Civic 7:50 a.m.
EMS 1400 block Wilshire 9:06 a.m.
EMS 1600 block Ocean 10:04 a.m.
EMS 900 block 3rd 11:09 a.m.

EMS Lincoln/Ocean 12:22 a.m.
EMS 2700 block Neilson 12:30 p.m.
EMS 1700 block Franklin 12:33 p.m.
EMS 2500 block Santa Monica 1:54 p.m.
Alarm 3400 block 2:05 p.m.
Alarm 700 block Ocean 2:32 p.m.
EMS 11th/Colorado 3:36 p.m.
EMS Ocean /Arizona 4:28 p.m.
EMS 2300 block Montana 5:18 p.m.
EMA 2300 block Montana 5:42 p.m.
Traffic collision 4th/I-10 7:14 p.m.
EMS 1200 block 9th 7:20 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 7th 7:42 p.m.
EMS 1800 block Wilshire 8:38 p.m.
EMS 900 block Pico 9:14 p.m.
EMS 1600 block Ocean 9:25 p.m.
Alarm 1200 block 2nd 9:51 p.m.
EMS 100 block 11th 10:06 p.m.
Alarm 1200 block 2nd 10:37 p.m.
EMS 2400 block 23rd 11:09 p.m.
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1. cloudy or foggy.

2. obscure or vague; indefinite.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LALEE

Best Medicine

■ A woman, out for a walk, notices a little old man rocking in a chair on his porch. Approaching him, she says “I can't help noticing how happy you look. What's your secret for a long, happy life?”

■ The man replies: “I smoke three packs of cigarettes a day. I also drink a case of whiskey a week, eat fatty foods and never exercise.”

■ “That's amazing!” exclaims the woman. “How old are you?”

■ “Twenty-six.”

Observation

■ “Health food may be good for the conscience, but Oreos taste a hell of a lot better.”

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Newsday Crossword

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1 Send packing

6 Epitome of simplicity

9 Small terrors

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19 Big name in juvenile book collecting

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23 Ink cartridge color

26 Virtual industry

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28 Rain-63 Across link

29 Some limited-edition art

30 *Peter Pan* pooch

31 Part 2 of sentiment

33 Lee of the Shakers

35 “That Yankee Doodle boy”

36 What's beside an end seat

40 Start of an apology

42 Part 3 of sentiment

45 *Grapes of Wrath* character

48 Biggest nation in *América do Sul*

50 Something hot for a short time

51 Bullet point, e.g.

52 Isn't a 50 Across

53 Clubhouse facilities

54 End of sentiment

57 Drapery fabric

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4 Class cutup

5 Casting director category

6 Descriptor for dolphins

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38 Name related to Bill

39 Is over

41 With skill

42 Nuts-and-bolts accessories

43 Destination of a southern Finland ferry

44 “*Absolutamente!*”

45 Dagger grips

46 Henry II in *The Lion in Winter*

47 Large collections

49 Accumulate

53 Spirit of myth

55 App testing stage

56 Fashion fold

60 One for the road

61 Hotel lobby convenience

62 Measure of inflation: Abbr.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 3)

The pressure is on in these first weeks of your solar return, encouraging you to a new level of production, savvy and power. You're too modest to admit it, but you're undeniably attractive. Hopefully, you won't mind being pursued and cherished. Your soaring ambitions for 2019 will be matched by your ability to realize them. Pisces and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 20, 3, 1 and 15.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

If only you could clean your mental hard drive as thoroughly as you clean your digital one. Though bad memories are hard to overwrite, it's not quite as hard to find a more empowering way to frame them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Everything is moving so fast that it's already time to educate yourself again. Internet classes, library books, YouTube videos: It's never been so easy to get the specific information you need to go to the next level.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

The best way to learn the codes of others is by observing what they do. Forget what they say; that's a decoy. Switch to a deeds-only policy and you'll "hear" what people are really telling you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

While the calculations point to the fact that your life, and all life for that matter, is a mathematical miracle, you don't always experience it as such. So it's wonderful when today, for a moment, you feel the awe of being alive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

There are those who are thoughtlessly agreeable, easily led (and fooled) and generally without the imagination to rebel. Lucky them! Life is so complex for smart folks such as yourself. You'll spend a good deal of time weighing your options.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Your best is good enough. Anyone who doesn't think so is helping you figure out where to go next. Head toward those who have the ability, experience and heart to really appreciate what you do.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You're inclined to do what comes naturally, but that course of action won't take you where you want to go. So there's a choice to make. Don't worry: With enough practice, the other way will seem like second nature, too.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Choose your topics of conversation carefully. There are those who will be jealous of or threatened by the happiness of others. For some reason, they mistakenly believe that there won't be enough to go around.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Establishing boundaries isn't just for defensive people. It's for people who appreciate order, who like to help others feel comfortable and who want to have more control over their own destinies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

While you are wary of those who wear trendy causes like designer shoes, you do admire helpers, and you want to give, too. This is a great time to look deeper into the needs of the world. Where can you do the most good?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Because the purpose in your heart is to do what's most beneficial for the people around you, it is easy to make choices. The right decision will be obvious, and the right action effortless.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Love yourself even though you know that you've fallen short in some way. Everyone has and will again. Grace and mastery are a matter of making quick corrections. No fuss. Move back toward the light.

Appetite Moon

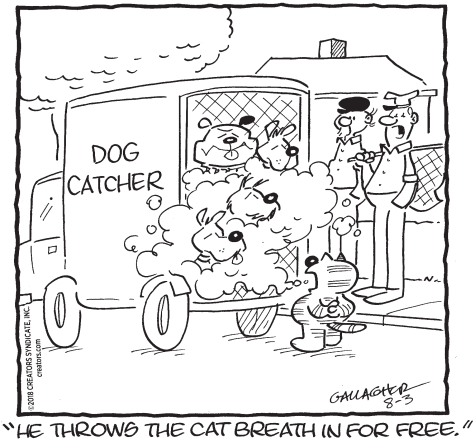
Remember when you tried to take a picture of the magnificent moon with your phone and the representation looked like a tawdry speck? The largeness of life cannot be accurately captured. All the more reason to enjoy it in the moment, as vividly as you possibly can, while the Taurus moon stimulates our appetite for life.

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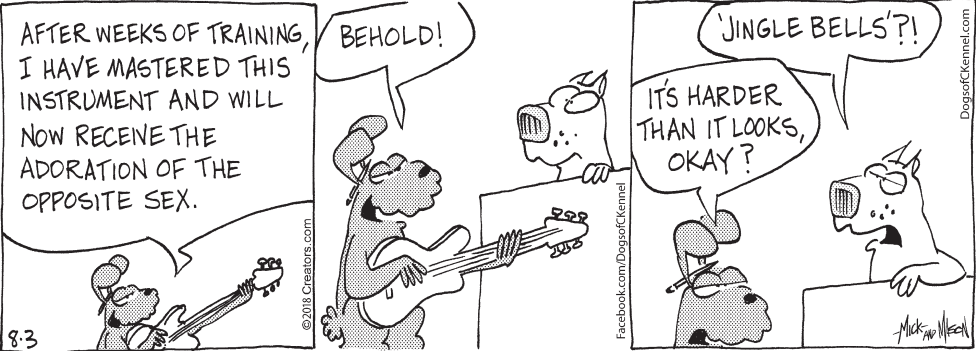
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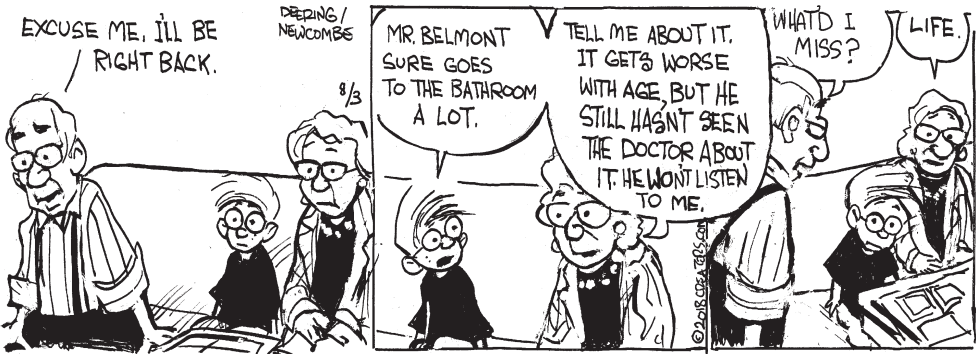
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Long considered a peripheral issue in midterm elections, money in politics is emerging as a new litmus test for Democratic candidates. In ads, stump speeches and debates, scores of politicians are pledging to reject corporate PAC donations. Their ranks include a handful of Democrats, including Harris, who are widely rumored to be exploring presidential bids: New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker, New York Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand and Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren. Joining them is Vermont's independent senator, Bernie Sanders.

In total, more than federal 170 candidates have said they're not accepting corporate PAC donations, according to a tally by the group End Citizens United, a political action committee dedicated to campaign finance reform.

The groundswell of opposition to corporate PACs has developed quickly as Democrats aim to tap into the anti-establishment sentiment that President Donald Trump successfully harnessed in 2016. When Rep. Ro Khanna, D-Calif., started the "NO PAC Caucus" in July 2017, only two members joined his cause — Rep. Beto O'Rourke, who's now challenging Sen. Ted Cruz in Texas, and Democratic Rep. Jared Polis, the party's gubernatorial nominee in Colorado.

"There wasn't a lot of interest. I was told it would unnecessarily ruffle feathers," said Khanna. "But now it has really caught people's imagination across the country."

The pledge may be more symbolic than financial: In a world of dark money and super PACs, corporate donations make up only a small percentage of the total dollars

flooding into the political system.

"Corporate PACs making contributions is not where the major campaign finance action is these days," said Rick Hasen, an election law expert at the University of California at Irvine. "If you asked me to name the top 10 things wrong with campaign finance, I'm not sure corporate PAC money would be among them."

Democrats have had a complicated relationship with corporate cash since Citizens United, the controversial 2010 Supreme Court ruling that cleared the way for the flood of anonymous corporate dollars into politics. While the party railed against the ruling, most Democrats have continued to court wealthy liberal donors and big business.

But the 2016 presidential election showed that voter frustration with influence of money in politics may have become a powerful force in politics. Trump tapped into anger with a "rigged system," as did Sanders, who fueled a robust primary campaign against Hillary Clinton while largely eschewing big corporate dollars. While the two Democratic presidential candidates largely shared policies on regulating money in politics, advocates argue that Sanders' long-standing policy of rejecting corporate donations helped him own the issue.

Nearly all Americans — 96 percent — blamed money in politics as a cause for some or a lot of the dysfunction in the U.S. political system, according to a Washington Post-University of Maryland poll conducted last October.

The no-corporate PAC pledge is a fairly cheap way for candidates to signal their campaign finance bona fides, particularly for challengers who tend to get less from those groups. Corporate PACs are committees largely funded by individual employee

contributions — not the company itself — and have a \$5,000 per candidate, per election limit.

Only a dozen candidates have rejected all PAC money, according to End Citizens United, meaning that the vast majority still accept donations from leadership, labor union and special interest group PACs. They don't plan to return corporate contribution or reject the support of super PACs, which can raise and spend unlimited amounts to help candidates.

In the second quarter of 2018, 32 of the Democratic candidates taking the pledge outraised their incumbent opponents, according to End Citizens United.

"It's a smart political move," says Trevor Potter, a former Republican chairman of the Federal Election Commission who has criticized the Citizens United ruling. "You're not giving up much by forswearing PAC contributions and you are able to make the political point that you are opposed to the Washington influence buying system."

For senators, corporate PACs make up a relatively small amount of their total fundraising. Harris, who won her first term in 2016, has raised nearly \$19.7 million. Only about \$900,000, or 4.59 percent, came from PAC contributions, according to the Center for Responsive Politics, a nonpartisan research group.

Democrats argue that symbolism matters, particularly given their lack of legislative power in Washington. Rep. David Cicilline, D-R.I., who announced last week that he'd no longer accept corporate PAC money, acknowledged that corporate dollars don't make up a big part of his campaign fundraising.

"I just have come to the realization over time that as long as the Republicans are in

charge, they're not going to move forward with any of the significant campaign finance reform," he said. "Maybe this is a small way, on your own, to make a difference."

The issue has gained traction in part due to the work of organizations like End Citizens United, a Democratic advocacy group that formed in 2015. It's running \$4 million in television ads attacking Republican candidates in Montana and Nevada for accepting corporate donations. The group argues that every dollar matters in close races: Democratic congressional candidates typically lose about \$20,000 in donations and senators about a million dollars, according to the group.

"But this isn't just about dollar amounts," says Tiffany Muller, the president of End Citizens United. "This is about taking action to show voters that you're on their side."

Republicans, too, see new opportunities in the no-PAC push. On Monday, Cruz attacked O'Rourke for accepting contributions collected by a political action committee that backs candidates who support a two-state solution in the Israel-Palestinian conflict.

"Rep. Robert 'Beto' O'Rourke travels all over Texas claiming that PACs are corrupt, and he's made his alleged rejection of PAC influence a cornerstone of his campaign," said Cruz campaign spokeswoman Emily Miller. "But now we know that O'Rourke's actions have not matched his words."

O'Rourke's campaign said the PAC did not contribute directly to his campaign but bundled hundreds of individual contributions. "What is important to know is that no special interests, no political action committee, no corporation has the ability to purchase influence or access," he told reporters at a town hall on Monday evening.



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