

Big Blue Bus employee arrested for possession of child pornography

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A City of Santa Monica transit manager was arrested Monday afternoon on charges of possessing child pornography.

Los Angeles Police Department officers arrested Transit Operations Superintendent Larry Jamieson, who has been working at the Big Blue Bus since 2012 and made \$240,371 last year. He resigned Nov. 29 and will officially

terminate his employment Jan. 2, 2019, but the City has placed him on administrative leave, effective immediately.

Edward F. King, director of transit services, detailed the arrest in a memo to Big Blue Bus staff.

The Daily Press obtained a copy of the memo from an employee to verify the information.

"We are heartsick and devastated by the arrest of Larry Jamieson

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Students capitalize on ingenuity in the face of dangers

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Daily Press Intern

In the wake of recent wildfires, students at the Archer School for Girls on Sunset Blvd. are putting their engineering skills to use to make a difference. From laser cutters to blow torches, these young women are utilizing the resources available to them to find creative solutions to problems they see.

Archer's award-winning inventing club is comprised of over 30 students working together to create a product intended to address a social need. The team is currently working to produce a jacket that can transform into a backpack, tent and sleeping bag, mattress, or other useful shape to aid people affected by natural disasters.

"[Students] surveyed the school about what problems people cared about and then refined them from that into an invention concept," Archer's Engineering and Design Coordinator Mike Carter said. "They really reach for impactful projects—things that really matter to them—and they go out and do it. I'm constantly impressed with what they achieve."

The invention of this jacket will be a three year process for the club. Last academic school year, the club polled peers and members of the community to learn what issues are most important to those in the vicinity. Armed with information, the group decided to invent something that could be used in disaster relief, eventually deciding to design a multi-function jacket.

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MENORAH

Hundreds of people gathered on the Pier as Chabad on 17th inaugurated their environmentally friendly "bike Menorah." Rabbi Isaac Levitsky, head Chabad rabbi, shared the significance of the first candle of the Menorah. All participants partook of the Chanukah goodies which were offered near the Menorah bike. The Menorah bike will make its rounds spreading the Chanukah joy to the many residents and visitors. The Menorah bike proudly joins over 80 other public Menorah displays set up throughout the area by Chabad on 17th. For more information please visit Jewishsmonica.com or call (310) 453-3011.

Courtesy photos



Volunteers wanted to help survey the Promenade

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If you visit the Third Street Promenade later this month, someone may be watching you.

On Dec. 13 and 15, volunteers will be carefully monitoring shoppers as they move around the

Promenade as part of a survey that will guide the Third Street revitalization project dubbed "Promenade 3.0." Surveyors will record how many and what types of people they observe in different areas and describe what they do. Some volunteers, mainly Downtown Santa Monica, Inc.

ambassadors, will also stop visitors to ask them questions.

Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. is recruiting more than 30 people to assist with the survey through an online form. Gehl, an urban research and design firm, will train the volunteers to administer its Public Space Public Life Survey.

The Copenhagen-based company has conducted the survey in public spaces around the world, including Times Square in New York and Market Street in San Francisco.

DTSM and the City of Santa Monica will use the results of the

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, Dec. 5

Westside Writers Mingle

A monthly meeting of SCBWI, an organization of children's writers and illustrators. Open to all. Show and tell your favorite books of 2018 and a discussion of award contenders for the Caldecott/Newbery/Printz awards. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St, 7 - 8:45 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

The Santa Monica Planning Commission normally meets on the first and third Wednesdays of every month in the City Council Chamber, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m.

Crafty Gift Packaging

Amy Muscoplat teaches awesome alternatives and sparkly ideas to creatively package and present your special holiday gifts using fun household products, artistic embellishments, and gift wrapping staples. All supplies provided. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Computer Class: Appy Hour - Library Apps Workshop

Bring your smartphone, tablet or e-reader and receive help in small groups to learn how to use your device with our library apps. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St, 4 - 5 p.m.

Design in 3D: Gift Box

Use a free computer program called Tinkercad to create a box with a lid for 3D printing. No prior experience required. Limited space, register at the library. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 6

Special Library Board Meeting

Monthly Library Board Meeting. Fairview Branch Community Meeting Room. 2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 7 - 9 p.m.

Middle School Council

Learn how you can help with programs, get volunteer hours, and more. For Middle School Students. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 4 - 5 p.m.

Movie: This Beautiful Fantastic (2016)

In this fanciful romantic gem, a young library worker finds her life turned upside down by her cantankerous neighbor, the unruly garden in her backyard, and a handsome inventor who catches her eye. (100 min.) This garden lover's movie is presented by The Seed Library at Fairview Branch. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 3 - 4:45 p.m.

Current Events Discussion Group

Join organizers for a lively discussion of the latest news with your friends and neighbors. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 1 - 2:30 p.m.

NOMA meeting

Are no-burn days our future? Our neighborhood's air quality and the meaning for residents of SM's plans for 100% clean energy will be leading topics at NOMA's monthly meeting Thursday, December 6, at 7pm at the Montana Avenue Library, along with a presentation by Urban Forest Task Force chair Grace Phillips on trees in our private yards and the responsibility for them. Doors open at 6:30 with holiday treats and refreshments. All are invited.

Friday, Dec. 7

Pottery Sale

The Clayhouse Pottery Studio is having their annual pottery sale in December. December 7, 4 - 9 p.m. and December 8, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. 2909 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica CA 90404. 310-828-7071 www.theclayhousesantamonica.com

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310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide
Kaleidoscope announces 2019 Instrumental and Vocal Competition with \$30,000 in prizes

After receiving almost 2000 applications from musicians in 88 countries for Kaleidoscope’s inaugural Instrumental and Vocal Competition in 2018, Kaleidoscope is happy to announce its 2019 competition, open to performers of any age and nationality. After initial selection via online video application, 12 finalists will be invited to Los Angeles to perform their repertoire in person in a live public final round on April 4th and 5th. 3 instrumentalists and 3 vocalists then will be awarded a combined \$30,000 in prizes and performances with Kaleidoscope in their 6th season (2019-2020).

This represents a doubling of the scope of Kaleidoscope’s international competition from the previous year, which awarded \$15,000 in prizes to three winners: Ekaterina Skliar, dormra; Dzmitry Ulasiuk, piano; and Andrea Obiso, violinist. Roundtrip travel expenses and housing for the 12 finalists will also be covered from anywhere in the world.

Application Deadline is Feb. 1. For more details about Kaleidoscope’s 2019 competition, please visit: www.kco.la/competition

UPCOMING PERFORMANCES OF 2018 COMPETITION WINNERS:

On December 8 and 9 in Santa Monica and Pasadena, Dzmitry Ulasiuk will perform Beethoven’s Piano Concerto No. 2. On March 30th and 31st in Santa Barbara and Santa Monica, Andrea Obiso will perform Prokofiev’s Violin Concerto No. 1. More details and full season programing at www.kco.la/concerts

UPCOMING PERFORMANCES:

Saturday December 8 @ 7 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church of Santa Monica
1220 2nd St, Santa Monica, CA 90401

Sunday December 9 @ 2 p.m.
Rothenberg Hall at The Huntington
1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino, CA 91108

SUBMITTED BY ALEX GRANGER

Pacific Palisades
St. Matthew’s Music Guild Annual Holiday Concert December 7

St. Matthew’s Music Guild continues its 2018 -2019 season with a holiday concert at its home at St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church in Pacific Palisades, Friday, December 7, at 8pm. The program will feature the Chamber Orchestra at St. Matthew’s and the Choir and Soloists of St. Matthew’s Parish in festive Christmas music by Bach, Vivaldi and Handel. Music Director Dwayne S. Milburn conducts.

The program will include excerpts from J.S. Bach’s Christmas Oratorio – a collection of six cantatas for the Christmas season compiled in 1734 while Bach was Music Director at St. Thomas’s Church, Leipzig. Each cantata features choruses, solos and ensemble pieces for diverse groups of voices and instruments. The St. Matthew’s performance will draw primarily from the cantatas devoted to the Birth of Jesus, the visit by the shepherds and wise men and the naming of Jesus.

Antonio Vivaldi composed his Magnificat in G minor around the year 1717 while Music Director at the Ospedale della Pietà in Venice. In nine short movements, the work is scored for choir and orchestra with four solo voices. The Ospedale was an orphanage for girls established in Venice in the early 18th century and Vivaldi made the institution internationally famous by mentoring the young women in singing and the playing of virtually every instrument. Some of his most virtuosic concertos and sinfonias were composed for the residents who gave weekly concerts open to the public.

George Frederick Handel composed his Twelve Grand Concertos, Opus 6 in London during the late 1730s. The second concerto from the set, in F major, will be featured on the Music Guild concert. The concertos were used as intermission features or other incidental music in the performance of Handel’s English oratorios. They encompass a large variety of styles and moods, with Opus 6, No. 2 being in the style of the so-called “church sonata.” In four movements, the work features two solo violins, strings and harpsichord.

The concert will conclude with a traditional holiday favorite by Handel – the “Hallelujah” Chorus from his 1741 oratorio “Messiah.” The audience will be given musical scores and invited to join in the singing.

All concerts are on Fridays at 8 p.m. at the architecturally stunning award-winning St. Matthew’s Church, 1031 Bienveneda Avenue, Pacific Palisades. All concerts are preceded at 7:10 pm by “Liner Notes” – a preview and discussion of the evening’s music featuring Music Guild President and former Music Director, Thomas Neenan.

Tickets for the concerts are \$35 at the door. Advance tickets, discounted season passes for all concerts, and more information are available at MusicGuildOnline.org or by calling the Music Guild office, (310) 573-7422.

SUBMITTED BY TOM NEENAN

REDWOOD CITY
CHP may have used Tesla Autopilot to stop speeding car

The California Highway Patrol says it may have used the Autopilot system of a Tesla to stop the car after its driver fell asleep.

The CHP says officers attempted to stop the Tesla Model S, which was doing about 70 mph on a highway early Friday in the San Francisco suburb of Redwood City. After the driver didn’t respond to lights or sirens, the officers say they pulled alongside and realized he was asleep.

They pulled in front and began slowing to a stop, hoping the Tesla’s driver-assist program was on and would do the same. Authorities say the tactic worked.

Alexander Samek of Los Altos was awakened and arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence. It’s unclear whether he has a lawyer.

Tesla hasn’t confirmed whether the car was using Autopilot.

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LOS ANGELES
Drake dominates Apple Music as most-streamed artist in 2018

Drake was a dominate force on Apple Music as the platform’s most-streamed artist of the year globally.

Apple released its “Best of 2018” list Tuesday that Drake’s “Scorpion” was the top album, while his hit “God’s Plan” was the most popular single. The rapper’s song “Nice for What” came in second and “In My Feelings” at No. 4.

Drake’s fifth studio album had four other songs in the top 100 including “Nonstop,” “I’m Upset,” “Mob Ties” and “Don’t Matter To Me,” featuring Michael Jackson. He was also featured on Lil Baby’s “Yes Indeed,” Migos’ “Walk It Talk It” and BlockBoy JB’s “Look Alive.”

Post Malone’s songs “Rockstar” and “Psycho” were in the top 5. His album “Beerbongs & Bentleys” was the second-most streamed followed by Cardi B’s, the late XXXTentacion and Travis Scott.

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LOS ANGELES
Father arrested in death of 4-year-old girl in Los Angeles

Authorities say a Los Angeles man has been arrested in connection with the death of his 4-year-old daughter.

Officials said Monday that 23-year-old Charles Richard Lee is being held on suspicion of felony child abuse after the girl was pronounced dead at a hospital over the weekend. It wasn’t known Tuesday if Lee has an attorney.

Police say detectives launched an investigation when they were contacted by hospital staff after the child was brought in by ambulance on Sunday.

Investigators have submitted a case to the Los Angeles County district attorney’s office for review.

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LOS ANGELES
‘Black Panther,’ ‘A Star Is Born’ among AFI Awards honorees

“Black Panther,” “A Star Is Born” and “Mary Poppins Returns” are among the American Film Institute’s top 10 films of the year.

AFI announced its selections for the 19th AFI Awards Tuesday, recognizing works deemed culturally and artistically significant by a jury of AFI trustees, scholars and critics.

The selected films include the aforementioned blockbusters, the horror film “A Quiet Place,” “The Favourite,” Barry Jenkins’ James Baldwin adaptation “If Beale Street Could Talk,” Bo Burnham’s coming-of-age film “Eighth Grade,” “BlacKkKlansman,” “First Reformed,” and “Green Book.”

The organization is also giving a special award to Alfonso Cuaron’s “Roma,” which did not fit the criteria for American films

AFI also recognizes 10 television shows, including “Atlanta” and “The Americans.”

The honorees will be recognized at a Los Angeles luncheon on Jan. 4.

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SAN FRANCISCO
US law against some statements to immigrants is struck down

A U.S. appeals court struck down a federal immigration law Tuesday that opponents warned could be used to criminalize a wide range of statements involving illegal immigration.

The law made it a felony for someone to encourage an immigrant to enter or live in the U.S. if the person knew either act is illegal.

The law violates the First Amendment because it criminalizes a substantial amount of protected speech, a three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said.

The statute, for example, would make it illegal for a grandmother to urge her grandson to ignore limits on his visa by encouraging him to stay in the U.S., Judge A. Wallace Tashima said.

In addition, a speech addressed to a crowd that encouraged everyone in the country illegally to stay here could also lead to a criminal prosecution, Tashima said.

“Criminalizing expression like this threatens almost anyone willing to weigh in on the debate,” he said.

A message to the Justice Department was not immediately returned.

Attorneys for the government have argued that the law only prohibited conduct and a very narrow band of speech that was not protected by the U.S. Constitution. They also noted it had not been used against “efforts to persuade, expressions of moral support, or abstract advocacy regarding immigration.”

The law preceded the Trump administration, which has taken a hard line on immigration.

The ruling came in the case of an immigration consultant in San Jose, Evelyn Sineneng-Smith, who was convicted of fraud after prosecutors said she falsely told immigrants they could obtain permanent residency under a program she knew had expired.

Sineneng-Smith was also convicted of encouraging or inducing an immigrant to remain in the country for financial gain. The 9th Circuit panel overturned those convictions on appeal and considered the constitutionality of the law.

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California's historic drop in arrests still imperils blacks

DON THOMPSON

Associated Press

California is seeing a historic drop in arrests that still leaves blacks far more likely to wind up in handcuffs, particularly in San Francisco Bay Area counties, according to a report released Monday by the nonpartisan Public Policy Institute of California.

The arrest rate statewide dropped nearly 60 percent since its peak in 1989. Three-fourths of the long-term drop involves misdemeanors, particularly for traffic and alcohol-related violations. Felony arrests for property and drug offenses fell substantially by 2016, the most recent year data were available, after voters lowered criminal penalties in 2014.

The split between the arrests of blacks and whites "has dropped remarkably" and is now at the lowest level since 1980, while the split between the arrests of Latinos and whites dropped dramatically to about a tenth of its peak in 1990, researchers found.

Yet African-Americans remain three times more likely to be arrested than whites statewide, even though blacks saw the biggest decline in arrest rates since the peak 30 years ago.

Those racial disparities "are prevalent in the vast majority of California counties," researchers reported, though they have not yet studied factors contributing to the trends. Blacks were arrested at least twice as often as whites in 45 of the 49 counties included in the report; at least three times as frequently 33 counties; and at least five times as often in 13 counties.

"To what extent are they driven by economic factors, to what extent are they driven by concentration of crime, to what extent are they driven by other factors?" said report co-author Magnus Lofstrom. "To what extent bias plays a role is unclear."

For instance, police could be concentrating on high-crime areas that also have a high minority concentration even in the relatively affluent coastal counties, he said.

High arrest rates in small counties,

especially those with small African-American populations, can be skewed by a small number of arrests, Lofstrom said. But the disparity is notably high in the Bay Area and to a lesser extent in large urban Southern California counties.

Black arrest rates in San Mateo County were nine times that for whites, and nearly eight times that in neighboring San Francisco. The rate was more than six times as high in Marin County, more than five times higher in Santa Clara County and four times higher than in Alameda County. San Mateo, Santa Clara and Marin counties also had an arrest rate for Latinos at least twice as high as for whites.

Spokesmen for law enforcement agencies in each Bay Area county did not immediately comment.

Alameda County Sheriff's Sgt. J.D. Nelson noted that the crime rates are given county-wide: "One agency could arrest a lot of people and skew the statistics."

The black arrest rate is lower but still nearly four times that of whites in Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties.

The disclosure comes amid a continuing national debate over the slayings of black and Latino men by police and efforts to train police to disregard any inherent bias.

"We're always the target, we're easy prey," said Alice Huffman, president of the NAACP state office in California. "They make their quotas on the backs of minority people."

"Broadly, the trend of declining arrest rates aligns with falling crime rates over the past few decades," Lofstrom wrote.

The report also cites sweeping changes in the criminal justice system from the get-tough era of the 1980s and 1990s to recent efforts to ease mass incarceration of juveniles and adults.

Two-thirds of arrests in 2016 were of those ages 18 to 39, but the long-term overall drop in arrest rates is largely due to declines among juveniles and young adults. Arrests of women increased to about a quarter from 14 percent in the early 1980s.



CITY OF SANTA MONICA REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Proposals for:

**Los Angeles County MS4 Discharge Permit Compliance Project
Project No. SP2104**

The City of Santa Monica is inviting proposals from firms interested in technical services for the Los Angeles County MS4 Discharge Permit Compliance Project.

The City of Santa Monica, (referred to hereafter as "the City") is inviting proposals from qualified persons or firms interested in providing technical services in support of the City's compliance efforts related to California Regional Water Quality Control Board Order No. R4-2012-0175: Waste Discharge Requirements for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Discharges within the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles County, except those discharges originating from the City of Long Beach MS4 ("the Permit") for an initial term of three (3) years, with one (1) option for renewal of two (2) years, to be exercised at the City's sole discretion.

RFP questions to be submitted to Curtis Castle via email at: curtis.castle@smgov.net, no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 20, 2018.

Proposers shall provide one (1) electronic version of their proposal to Curtis Castle via email at curtis.castle@smgov.net, and to Margaret Talamantes via email at margaret.talamantes@smgov.net, no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 10, 2019. Size of the electronic proposal shall not exceed 10 MB.

RFP Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: <http://www.smgov.net/planetbids/>.

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Curious City

Charles Andrews

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Time to throw in the towel?

DISAPPOINTED BUT NOT SURPRISED

That so few showed up at City Hall last week, to protest our City government's enthusiasm to throw tons more good money after bad in their appeal of the lawsuit they lost to maintain at-large voting instead of districts, which the court found to be discriminatory.

Only one city of 24 in California chose to fight that challenge in court. Palmdale lost, like us, new elections were ordered. And their mayor of 26 years, Jim Ledford, and two consultants, have been charged with multiple counts of criminal corruption as a result of what came out in depositions regarding the case. Ledford is likely headed to prison — oh, lucky plucky Palmdale, if only that could happen here in no-accountability-SM, to all our sitting ex-mayors on Council. And please Santa, can we throw in Richard Bloom, Judy Abdo and Denny Zane too? (That's a joke. Mostly. Kevin McKeown has done nothing to deserve incarceration. That I know of. I just want him gone, Santa, off Council. But don't hurt him. He's a music guy.)

HERE'S A TELLING POINT

About voter ignorance/apathy everywhere: with all the evidence against Ledford, who has been dragging out his criminal proceedings longer than "Benghazi!", he ran for mayor again last election, and got 8,502 votes from the good citizens of Palmdale, losing by not that much to Council member Steve Hofbauer with 10,631.

And so it goes, everywhere, from thousands of Trump-lies believed by millions of bozos (sorry — did not intend to insult clowns) to corruption on our own City Council that goes unprosecuted, even unacknowledged. That's the political world we're living in, where spin has turned into shameless lying, and discrediting media who dig up and reveal the facts is a given.

BILL BAUER

But that's all the more reason for those who do know, and care, to show up and make their voices heard. When that doesn't happen, and very little seems to change, people like me and the late great SMDP columnist Bill Bauer, and many other activist lovers of Santa Monica, want to throw in the towel. Beating your head against a brick wall can cause brain damage, you know. (Obviously, my detractors are nodding.)

Bill told me more than once the last few years that he was seriously thinking of not continuing his well-known My Write column, in this newspaper for more than 14 years. "Nothing has changed, it never will, people don't care, I'm wasting my time," he lamented. But he did continue it, up until the very end. You don't know that it's had no effect, I reminded him, and the fight against political corruption is a long and incremental one. You can only keep chipping away until something cracks.

MY NEW TAKE

Pondering the next day after that anemic turnout at City Hall, I thought, maybe I am fighting a lost cause. Maybe my vision of what we can preserve that has always made Santa Monica great, is simply not important at all to very many. Maybe I'm just plain wrong. Santa Monica should become just another corner of high-rise, densely-packed, faceless LA. Let it go.

And then I thought some more. And I remembered that the duty of an elected official is to not only represent their constituents, but to first and foremost keep them safe and uphold the Constitution and the law. In other words, do the right thing, not the right thing for yourself and your career and for misinformed voters.

So I'm going to relieve myself of a great burden, trying to motivate the masses. From now on, I shall take on an even more Herculean task: trying to motivate elected and appointed officials to do what's right. And I would start by saying, if you don't see a special history and value to Santa Monica worth maintaining, maybe you should run for some position in LA, Culver City or MDR.

TRAVEL!

To exotic locales! There's not much in life I love more. By the time you read this I'll probably be sitting on a plane headed for Tangier, Morocco, for a 12-day stay. As a typically underpaid writer, I will be doing it on a budget, but not sacrificing much. With some help, thank you Joel McDonald, I found a RT ticket for under \$800, and I'll be staying at an amazing sumptuous hotel (James Bond stayed there recently), thank you Aziz Begdouri, for less per night than you might pay for breakfast.

I did not, for this trip, use McDonald's game-changing JGOOT (Just Get Out Of Town) service, but will in the future. Wouldn't you like to go to Bogota for \$413 RT plus 8 nights hotel for \$413, or if you can't manage that far south, Puerto Vallarta plus 9 nights for \$373? Not fake, not a scam, free, but you should join, for very modest fees, to really take advantage of these. I did.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

The City's decision to appeal their loss to maintain at-large voting was announced about an hour after the judge's decision was made known. Isn't there supposed to be some public discussion before these people so loose with our money decide to spend millions more of it, on a lost cause and especially since that cause is their transparent, desperate attempt to maintain their own power? If there isn't a legal requirement, there is certainly an ethical, moral one.

IRONIC GUFFAW OF THE WEEK:

Per SMDP reporting Monday, the attorneys for the city said the district map should be drawn via a public process, not by the plaintiff's attorneys. "The Court should not just adopt the district map presented by plaintiffs at trial without public input, but instead should order the City to undertake a democratic process — open to the public...."

Oh, stop, yer killin' me! You're actually arguing that we the public should have input on a decision-making process? You said that with a straight face? And you're going to extend that public input to everything you decide from now on, right, City Council?

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"Fill your life with adventures, not things. Have stories to tell, not stuff to show." — unknown

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INGENUITY

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This year, the club is focused on making the jacket, itself. A class of six girls, Gabby Ayala, Rachael Azrialy, Evan Bowman, Marissa Gendy, Ariana Golpa, and Sophie Larbalestier, meets for approximately four hours each week to experiment with various designs and materials. They hope to have a completed prototype by May.

Next academic school year, the club plans to focus on bringing its product to the community by raising awareness about natural disaster relief and the ways that the jacket can help.

"Helping others is something we really strive for here," eleventh grader Golpa said. "Almost every project we've made in this class or in InvenTeam has been targeted to help others rather than just ourselves."

The team is working to receive a patent for their invention and ultimately hopes that disaster relief and humanitarian organizations will be able to use the jacket to help people in need.

The club is not the only group of students working on engineering and inventing at Archer, however. The school's Saban IDEALab is home to a plethora of materials and machines available to all students, including 3D printers, electrical equipment, sawing machines, sewing machines, and blow torches.

From windmills to floorboards that store kinetic energy, phone cases with pockets to a live map of traffic in the school's hallways,

students at the Archer School for Girls have used the IDEALab to invent a range of products.

Last year, students in Archer's engineering and design classes created the massive Archer Biofeedback Chair, or the ABC. Equipped with around 600 LED lights and electroencephalography skills which allow the chair to read someone's brain activity levels, the chair is intended to help anxious students relax. Lights and soothing music react to stress levels to calm students.

"There are so many things that I can make here and I wouldn't have ever dreamed of making," eleventh grader Hannah Kim said about the ABC chair that she helped design and build. "It's a really great feeling knowing that...[I can] make a change."

Samantha Raucher, a senior in Archer's honors research class, spent her junior year researching and speaking to people about sexual harassment and assault before deciding to build an Apple Watch app to help report incidents.

In 2016, Archer's InvenTeam was inspired by the California drought to build an ecologically-friendly faucet. It became one of 14 teams in the country chosen to win a grant from the Lemelson-MIT Program.

This year, the club was among 35 teams who won MIT's Excite Award. Although it didn't receive a Lemelson-MIT grant, the team is still pursuing its project with funding from Archer.

"I know for sure— science is for girls," Kim said. "I know for sure I will pursue STEM."

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ARREST

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for allegedly possessing child pornography,” City of Santa Monica Manager Rick Cole said in the memo. “As City Manager and as a father of three, I share the reaction of anyone who hears about these disgusting allegations that prey on the innocence of children. We are fully cooperating with the LAPD investigation to ensure justice is done. We encourage anyone with relevant information to step forward and contact the LAPD.”

Jamieson was being investigated by LAPD, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the United States Homeland Security Investigations, Child Exploitation, according to the memo.

Jamieson is the third individual associated with the city to have been arrested on similar charges since 2014 and the second this year.

In 2014 Donald Condon was arrested and charged with five counts of child molestation. At least one case was related to a PAL field trip to Dodger Stadium where

Condon was accused of taking surreptitious sexual pictures without consent while chaperoning a Santa Monica PAL event. At the time, Condon was said to have taken inappropriate photos of minors in a public place.

Condon worked at PAL, a city-backed nonprofit that serves area youth, but was eventually banned from all PAL locations and activities. The terms of his plea deal also prohibited him from attending any volunteer activities involving minors, and he is not allowed near his grandchildren without supervision.

In October of this year, Eric Uller was arrested and charged with several felonies related to the sexual abuse of a child. Uller was accused of abusing children through his volunteer work with PAL and was employed with the City’s information technology department at the time of his arrest. Uller made bail and then committed suicide in his Marina Del Rey home before facing trial.

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PROMENADE

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survey to inform Promenade 3.0, a plan to attract more visitors and encourage them to linger. The Promenade’s total taxable sales fell by 2.9 percent last year amid a nationwide “retail apocalypse” caused by the growth of online shopping.

Promenade 3.0 will try to provide shoppers with an experience they can’t get online. Understanding how people already use the space will help DTSM create that experience, said CEO Kathleen Rawson.

“The survey will inform future plans by observing what people seem to be drawn to and what they’re avoiding,” she said. “The Promenade was completed in 1989 and the design has held up, but it’s time to look for what may be sacred about the space and what needs to change.”

Rawson said even simple modifications can dramatically change how people use the Promenade. The district installed a seating and games area at the north end of the district in September after observing that visitors no longer spent time there after Barnes & Noble closed.

“People used to just walk through that area, but now there are reasons for them to linger,” she said.

City Council also banned large chain restaurants from the Promenade earlier this month in an attempt to make the district more distinctive.

Alan Loomis, the City’s urban designer, said Denver was able to breathe new life

into its downtown 16th Street Mall after conducting a Gehl survey. Few pedestrians spent time shopping or hanging out on the mile-long promenade, which is as integral to Denver as Third Street is to Santa Monica, Loomis said.

The city used the survey results to develop Meet in the Street Sundays, adding more seating on the street and hosting live music. The share of pedestrians using the space jumped, as did sales.

If the survey finds that Third Street visitors are moving quickly through the district rather than sticking around, DTSM and the City will, like Denver, look for ways to get them to stay put, Loomis said.

The survey will also monitor the demographics of visitors to the Promenade to understand how popular or unpopular it is among certain groups.

“If we find few families with small children are using the Promenade, for example, that would suggest we need to create more activities for small children,” Loomis said.

The findings of the survey will be presented in mid-February to the Planning Commission, who may send it to City Council for review. The City and DTSM are contributing \$200,000 and \$100,000, respectively, to cover the cost of the survey.

Gehl will provide volunteers with an optional training on Dec. 12 from 5 to 6 p.m. Surveyors will also receive training before starting their four-hour shifts between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. on Dec. 13 and 15.

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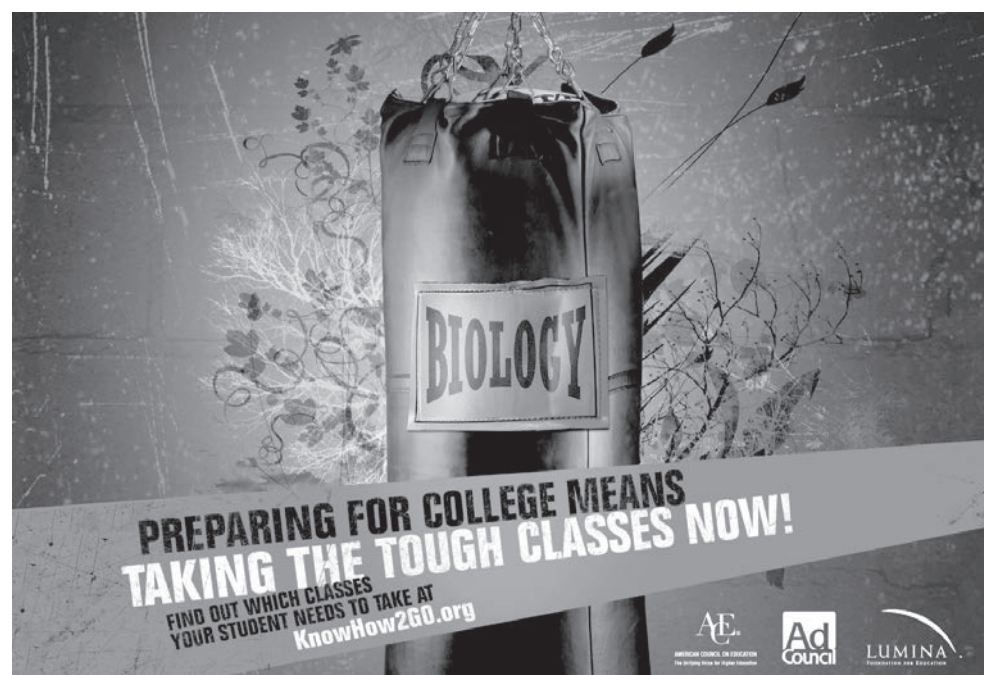
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EMS 4th / Colorado 3:54 a.m.
EMS 2100 block Virginia 5:44 a.m.
EMS 100 block Colorado 7:22 a.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 9:47 a.m.
EMS 1900 block Pico 10:10 a.m.
Traffic collision with injury 5th / Broadway 10:12 a.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 10:21 a.m.
EMS 200 block Santa Monica Pier 10:34 a.m.
EMS 3100 block Neilson 10:55 a.m.
Vehicle fire 1400 block Montana 11:13 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1400 block 25th 11:21 a.m.
Automatic alarm 600 block Santa Monica 12:30 p.m.
EMS 1100 block Arizona 1:16 p.m.
EMS 2300 block Santa Monica 1:34 p.m.
EMS 1700 block Expo Line 2:02 p.m.
EMS 2800 block Santa Monica 2:05 p.m.
EMS 1500 block Palisades 2:34 p.m.
EMS 2600 block Pico 2:43 p.m.
EMS 1500 block Ocean 2:50 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 4:06 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 7th 4:27 p.m.

EMS 1400 block 4th 4:33 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury 18th / Ocean Park 4:57 p.m.
EMS 1500 block Ocean 5:19 p.m.
EMS 1300 block Berkeley 5:33 p.m.
EMS 2200 block 16th 5:36 p.m.
EMS 1700 block Cloverfield 5:41 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury Cloverfield / Virginia 6:27 p.m.
EMS 1400 block 2nd 6:31 p.m.
Elevator rescue 2900 block Neilson 7:01 p.m.
EMS 7th / Olympic 7:03 p.m.
Automatic alarm 100 block Ocean 7:06 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 7:49 p.m.
EMS 21st / Pico 8:16 p.m.
EMS 2000 block Marine 8:55 p.m.
EMS 600 block PCH 9:10 p.m.
Automatic alarm 200 block of Santa Monica Pier 9:32 p.m.
EMS 5th / Arizona 9:46 p.m.
EMS 200 block 24th 9:46 p.m.
Odor natural gas 1100 block 10th 9:52 p.m.
Structure fire 1700 block Ocean Park 10:42 p.m.

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Taking Meaningful Action

Dear Editor:

With the Camp and Woolsey fires, Santa Monicans stepped up and engaged. We opened our homes to evacuees and their pets. We made donations. We prepared, fearing the worst. We watched smoke billow over the horizon, breathed bad air and listened for breaking news. Just miles from the blaze, we worried. Could wildfire happen here? In many of us the baseline dread that is now widespread about climate change intensified.

Struggling with these feelings and the conclusions of recent scientific reports, we begin to acknowledge that this drama is playing out in our lifetimes, that the kids we drop off at school today will suffer its consequences. We are challenged to answer questions not only for ourselves but for the kids. How bad will it get? Will we do anything about it?

The good news is that if we want to, we can. Before us is one of the greatest opportunities ever to keep people healthy and out of danger, and to protect countless species and habitats. Psychologists tell us that one of the healthiest ways to face calamity and its stress is to acknowledge problems and take action. In doing so, we find community and feel connected. We no longer feel alone, but empowered. Our kids relax, too, knowing that we adults are focused on the situation.

We are fortunate to live in a community where meaningful action is happening. Santa Monica is implementing an ambitious Climate Action Plan. We must, however, get on board as individuals and take advantage of options for change that are available to us.

What are some of these? First, get electricity from renewable sources! What do you need to do? Nothing. Beginning in February, thanks to a recent City Council vote, Santa Monicans will receive 100% of their electricity from renewable sources through the Clean Power Alliance. Costs will be modest and capped, making this affordable for just about everyone. You may opt for less renewable energy if you like, but going with 100% is the most significant action you can take with the least amount of effort!

Second, switch your lighting to LED bulbs. They use significantly less electricity than traditional bulbs. They will lower your electricity bill and they last a long time. How about giving LED bulbs to friends for the holidays?

Third, if you own a home or property, install rooftop solar. It costs some money up front, but will immediately reduce your electric bill. Many of us donate to environmental causes. Think of solar as a donation to the planet.

Fourth, invest in a hybrid or electric vehicle. Better still, take advantage of the biking and other mobility options now available. In Santa Monica, transportation is the number one source of greenhouse gas emissions.

If you want to do more, volunteer or contribute financially for the victims of the fires, but also to beat back climate change. There are many opportunities including Climate Action Santa Monica, a local group. Taking this step may provide you more peace and kinship over the holiday season.

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1. abruptness and bluntness in manner; brusqueness.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LALEE

Get in Line
■ The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that on any given day, more than one-third of U.S. adults eat fast food. The figure is based on data collected between 2013 and 2016, which found that 45 percent of adults ages 20 to 39 ate fast food on a given day, compared to 24 percent of adults ages 60 and older.

■ Surprisingly, the CDC also found that as family income levels went up, so too did fast-food consumption. Forty-two percent of higher-income adults chowed down on fast food in a given day, compared to 32 percent of lower-income adults.

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Sudoku

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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Newsday Crossword

S AS IN "SCARY" by Carolyn Stewart
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ACROSS

1 Agitated state
5 IRS guy, for instance
9 Blue ribbon or trophy
14 Broadcasts
15 Roof overhang
16 Vitality
17 Lowest dice roll
19 River of Missouri
20 "How long ____ it been?"
21 To the ____ degree
22 Pickpockets, for instance
24 Abound (with)
26 Lazy ones
27 Primate with long limbs and tail
32 Voice above bass
33 Chopped weeds in the garden
34 "____ been a long time"
37 Clumsy ones
38 Bit of broken glass
40 Explorer in kids' cartoons
41 Golf teacher
42 Depict unfairly
43 Have dinner at home
44 Foul-smelling swamp plant
47 Be attractive (to)
50 Grain storage structure
51 Puget Sound city
53 Corporate budgetary exec.
54 Courtroom VIPs
57 Social stratum

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1 Wide belt
2 Ship of 1492
3 Savings plans, for short
4 Chiding sound
5 Wobble
6 Rowdy disorder
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8 Home in a tree
9 Steered clear of
10 With good judgment
11 Plant source for tequila
12 Cockpit radio acknowledgment
13 Prom purchase
18 Go in
23 Walked on a trail
25 Spiky hairstyles
27 Halt
28 Cousin to an apple
29 Facts, informally
30 List of recommendations
31 Negative conjunction
34 Little bit
35 Math class
36 Sensible
38 Pirate flag depiction
39 Female fowl
40 Little bit
42 Ice dancers, for instance
43 Downloaded novel
44 Sporting dog
45 Noisy insect
46 Batman's butler
47 Broad neckwear
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 5)

You're considered a tastemaker, and your recommendations will enhance and in some cases change lives. Highlights of this solar return will include: a dance of love that spans seasons, an event that involves several moving parts and brings together different groups, and something done in the spirit of justice. Capricorn and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 7, 14, 30 and 20.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Self-worth and net worth are not interchangeable values. For you, this fact is a no-brainer. For some others you know, it will take time and life experience to learn – bear with them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Maybe it's not, as they say, "all good," but there is little time to waste rejecting the parts that aren't. It is "much good," and it will take a while to count all this goodness. Take your time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

You've an even temper much of the time, but this shouldn't be taken for a steadfast rule. When your passion is stirred, it will surprise and impress all.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Status is important, but it's never been your high priority. Right now there are a hundred things you care much more about than looking good to the neighbors. Because you're not worried about status, your status rises.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Does the world seem to be in disarray? Sometimes it's our way of mentally ordering information that makes it confusing. A teacher can help us find another point of view – one that will bring context and clarity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Cheerfulness is charming. As you continue to make optimism your default, you cultivate even greater powers of enchantment and become a charismatic influencer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Wisdom comes out of adversity. Hardship is the greatest teacher. But you don't have hardship now. The second greatest teachers are people you don't agree with. Learn where they're coming from and become wise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

There will be conflicts, mostly one of your responsibilities clashing with another of more or less importance. Put it all on paper. That's how you'll sort it out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

What are you doing on a daily basis to support your emotional and spiritual health? What are you doing every day to prove that you love yourself? "Excellence is not an act, but a habit." – Aristotle.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You're making plans. Ideally, you'd include everyone, but this might not be possible. Don't worry, the right people will show up, which is to say the people who most need to be a part of this.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

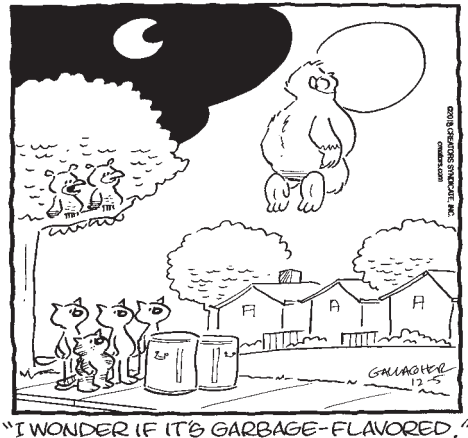
You've been on a learning curve, but now you're getting the swing of things and it's all starting to flatten out a bit. Enjoy the successful feeling that comes with hitting your stride.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You're in the mood to share, and you have much to give. Presentation will be key. It's not the face value, but the spirit in which a thing is given that really counts.

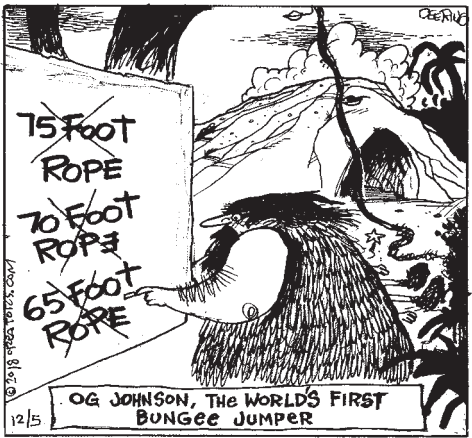
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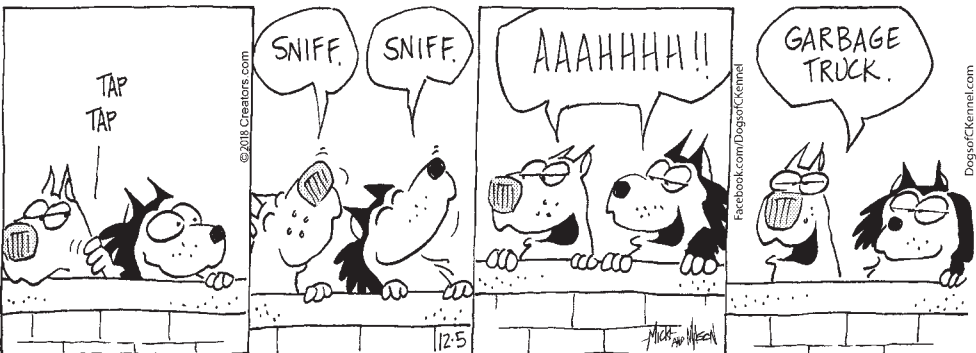
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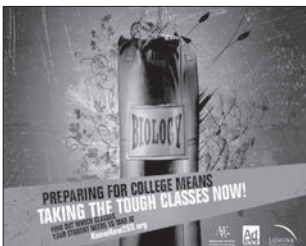
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Supplies low for shelters helping migrants as holidays near

RUSSELL CONTRERAS
Associated Press

An exhausted Alonzo Juan Jose sat still on a cot inside a shelter in southern New Mexico. For six days, the 24-year-old migrant from Huehuetenango, Guatemala, and his 5-month-old daughter, Allison Yajaira Juan Miguel, slept on a concrete floor while in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention.

Now they were moments away from a good night's rest following a nearly monthlong journey through Mexico, to an El Paso Port of Entry, to the refuge of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Cathedral in Las Cruces.

"I just want her to sleep," Juan Jose said in Spanish as he rocked his daughter.

More migrants like the father and daughter duo are coming. Volunteer shelters along the U.S. say they getting hit with an expected surge of new migrants seeking asylum in the U.S. who will need temporary housing. Nonprofit groups and churches — especially along the U.S.-Mexico border — are racing to get donated clothes, diapers, cots and

meals for Central American migrants as the holidays approach and resources begin to dwindle.

The move comes as Trump administration in recent weeks has been releasing detained immigrants from Central America at a quicker pace than previously, putting a strain on shelters from San Diego to South Texas.

Shelters say ICE is no longer helping migrants with travel plans and is now releasing them from custody whether the migrants have places to stay or not.

In some case, volunteers are picking up migrants from train and bus stations after getting dropped off by immigration officials. Other times, shelters are getting surprised by busloads of migrants at their front doors.

Church leaders in the Phoenix say ICE has released about 5,000 migrants in the last two months to area Latino churches.

ICE officials have said the agency lacks the resources to house the growing number of migrant families crossing into ports of entries in California, Arizona, and Texas, and they have begun releasing them to nonprofit shelters and churches in the area.

Sylvia Corona, one of the volunteer coordinator at Immaculate Heart of Mary, said the network of shelters in southern New Mexico and West Texas believes the demand will continue to grow in the coming weeks.

"I think we're going to see hundreds of families needing places to stay," Corona said. "We're opening up two more shelters soon. We're letting them stay in our own homes if we have to, but we'll find something."

In the meantime, Immaculate Heart of Mary and others have set up Amazon.com registries to facilitate donations like baby clothes, paper plates and coats. Annunciation House, an immigrant shelter in El Paso, Texas, is asking for packets of underwear and socks.

The shelters house the migrants until they are able to make other travel arrangements.

The call for donations has hit communities far from the border and has used the migrant caravan to highlight the growing need, although not all migrants are connected to the caravan that has garnered international attention.

Last week, for example, the Berkeley

City Council in Berkeley, California, voted to donate money to provide food, shelter and basic needs to caravan members detained at U.S. ports of entry or traveling to immigration hearings.

During a recent evening at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Cirila Alejandra Calelpu, 20, of Huehuetenango, Guatemala, selected donated clothes for her and her daughter Lucia Tojen Calel, 3. The pair had just been released from an El Paso ICE detention center following a monthlong journey north. Like Juan Jose, she was fleeing gang violence.

"I'm going to Florida tomorrow to be with my sister," Calelpu said while fighting off a cold. Children around her played with donated toys while other mothers combed through piles of free clothes.

Juan Jose has headed to Birmingham, Alabama, to join his brother. "At least tonight, I get to take a shower," Juan Jose said before closing his eyes.

His 5-month-old daughter then fell asleep in his arms as the pair lied on a cot. She began to snore. "Well," he said. "Maybe I won't."

Spanish museum, California in court over disputed Nazi art

JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

Seventy-nine years ago a Jewish woman named Lilly Cassirer surrendered her family's priceless Camille Pissarro painting to the Nazis in exchange for safe passage out of Nazi Germany during the Holocaust.

On Tuesday her great-grandson was in a U.S. courtroom for the latest round of what has been a nearly 20-year battle to get it back.

After years of appeals by both Lilly Cassirer's descendants and Spain's Thyssen-Bornemisza museum, where the painting has hung for 25 years, a trial to decide its rightful owner is scheduled before U.S. District Judge John F. Walter.

Neither side disputes that Cassirer handed the painting over to the Nazis in 1939 in exchange for safe passage out of the country for herself, her husband and her grandson.

But the Madrid museum has argued that she forfeited her ownership rights when she

accepted \$13,000 from Germany in 1958, after the German government concluded the painting was lost forever. The museum also has argued that it acquired the work in good faith and has never tried to hide it.

Cassirer's attorney, David Boies, grilled defense witnesses while seeking to show that the museum should have known it was looted art.

Boies asked the museum's legal and research team why they overlooked signs that indicated the provenance was questionable.

One of the museum's experts, Lynn Nicholas, said she couldn't say if Baron Hans-Heinrich Thyssen-Bornemisza even looked at the back of the painting to study the provenance when he acquired it in 1976.

Nicholas said she couldn't explain why cardboard covering various labels showing provenance had been attached to the back of the artwork.

One of those labels showed it had belonged to a Berlin gallery owned by the Cassirer family.

"There's no dispute about the painting's

complete history. The court examined all the evidence and determined that the museum is the rightful owner," Thyssen-Bornemisza's U.S. attorney, Thaddeus J. Stauber, told The Associated Press in 2016 after Walter initially dismissed the case.

The Cassirer family successfully appealed last year and their lawsuit was returned to Walter for trial.

The family's attorney, David Boies, says the matter now boils down to Spain doing what's right and surrendering the painting.

"It's unusual for a modern liberal democracy to be trying to hold onto Nazi-looted art," he said Monday as he prepared for trial. "Every other civilized country in the world is committed to returning Nazi-looted art to the rightful owners."

The painting, "Rue St.-Honore, Apres-Midi, Effet de Pluie" has been valued at \$30 million or more.

Pissarro created the stunning oil-on-canvas work of a rainy Paris street scene from what he saw out the window of a hotel room in 1897. Its title translates to English as

"Rue Saint-Honore in the Afternoon, Effect of Rain."

Lilly Cassirer's father-in-law bought it directly from Pissarro's art dealer and left it to her and her husband when he died.

For more than 70 years her family believed it was lost. Then in 1999 a friend of Cassirer's grandson, Claude, who had fled Germany with her, saw a photo of it in a catalog and contacted him.

"And he was completely stunned because we thought the painting was gone," Claude Cassirer's son, David Cassirer of San Diego, told The Associated Press in 2016.

It turned out the work had been sold and resold several times before Thyssen-Bornemisza, one of the 20th century's most prominent art collectors, bought it from New York gallery owner Stephen Hahn.

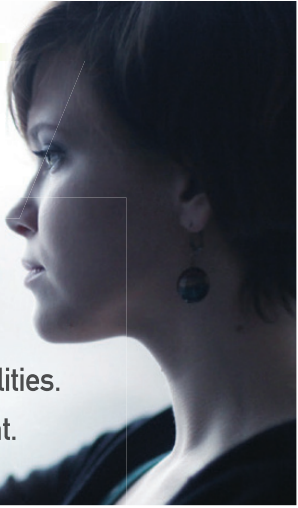
Thyssen-Bornemisza, who died in 2002, sold the painting and hundreds of other works to Spain in 1993 and they now form the core of the museum named for him.

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