

Mountain Bears Democratic Club was founded in 2004. We are located in the San Bernardino Mountains of Southern California. We hope to do our part to inform and educate the public and bring newcomers to the party by registering new Democrats. The Democratic Party believes that the American Dream should be within the reach of all people. We welcome and encourage people from all walks of life to join us in discussion and debate regardless of one's political affiliations.

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### **LAST MEETING**

Our last meeting, held on June 26<sup>th</sup>, was really fun. It began with a well-organized (thanks to Mickey and Yolanda) pot-luck. All the food was yummy and set the mood as we were all relaxed. Conversation and beverages flowed and no one left hungry! President Mickey did call the meeting to order, after 7:00 pm and the officers presented their reports and then all were engaged in a group conversation led by Marge Doyle. She focused on the November election and beyond. It's great to have a leader with a vision we all can share regarding building our party for the future. THANKS, MARGE!

#### The Glen Thompson Memorial Scholarship

Its summer vacation and the schools are closed. Our student recipient is enjoying her time off so there is no update from last month. Stay tuned for more details!



Would a werewolf that isn't aware he's a werewolf be an unawarewolf?

### **NEXT MEETING**

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Alpine Escrow conference room in Blue Jay.

### **Community Events**

### 2018 Lake Arrowhead Village Concert Series

http://thelakearrowheadvillage.com/2018-concert-series

Arts on the Mountain: <a href="https://arrowheadarts.org/events">https://arrowheadarts.org/events</a>

Chamber of Commerce calendar:

https://lakearrowheadchamber.com/calendar

#### **Entertainment/Media**

Do YOU want an entertainment/media section in our newsletter? Listings (?) would have to be specific enough and easy enough to find [network, date(s)/time(s) and title of piece] and a brief synopsis. Send your ideas to the newsletter editor at: mountainbeardemsecretary@gmail.com

Don't forget to visit our webpage at:

http://www.mountainbearsdemocrats.org

Corduroy pillows are making headlines!

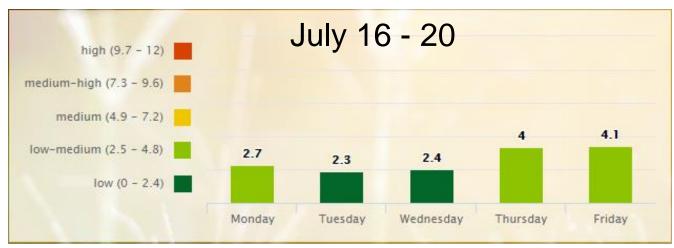
### **Health Issues**

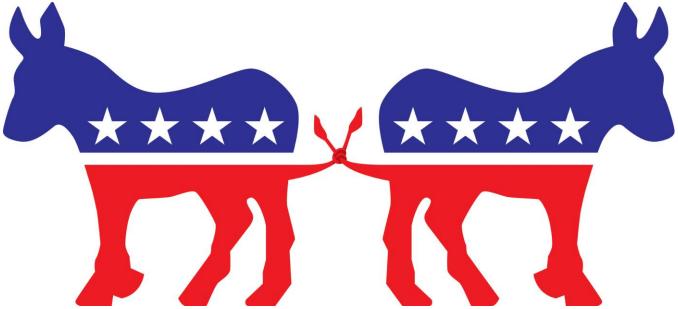
#### Substance Abuse & Suicides: EPIDEMICS in America

Alcohol and drug abuse are among the leading risk factors for suicide. People with substance use disorders may experience hopelessness and suicidal thoughts, but treatment for addiction has helped people find purpose and happiness in life.

Here is one online resource for information and help if you know someone in need: <a href="https://www.drugrehab.com">https://www.drugrehab.com</a>

Here's a webpage for the five day allergy forecast for Lake Arrowhead: <a href="https://www.pollen.com/forecast/extended/pollen/92352">https://www.pollen.com/forecast/extended/pollen/92352</a>





### **National Politics**

### About one aspect of July 4th

Thomas Jefferson helped define Americanism as 'the pursuit of happiness'. But what does that mean?

http://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-ellis-pursuit-of-happiness-20180701-story.html

### Trump Slams Russia Probe and Blames U.S. for Bad Relations with Putin as the Two Leaders Meet

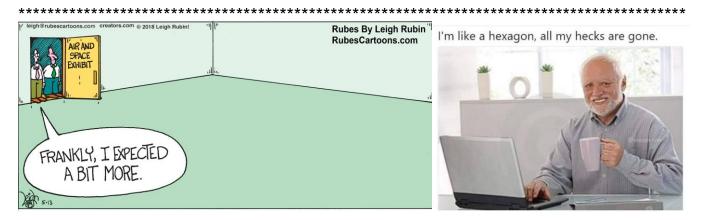
More than once he condemned the probe of special counsel Robert S. Mueller III, which on Friday brought indictments of 12 Russian intelligence officials, calling it "a disaster for our country."

http://www.latimes.com/politics/la-na-pol-trump-putin-summit-20180716-story.html?utm\_source=Today%27s+Headlines&utm\_campaign=ffea5f7493-EMAIL\_CAMPAIGN\_2016\_12\_12\_COPY\_01&utm\_medium=email&utm\_term=0\_b04355194f-ffea5f7493-82103353#

### Trump Administration Unveils New Plan to Reunite Families Separated at the Border

The Trump administration, under order to quickly reunify families that have been separated at the border, is moving ahead — somewhat reluctantly — with a new, streamlined plan to bring together the roughly 2,500 remaining children and their parents in order to meet the court-imposed deadline.

http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-judge-immigration-plan-20180714-story.html#nws=mcnewsletter



#### **State Politics**

### Californians Speak Out on Illegal Immigration

When it comes to addressing illegal immigration, California Influencers had plenty to say about what their state should prioritize.

https://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/influencers/article214862570.html

### California Democrats Endorse de Leon for US Senate Race, Snubbing Feinstein

The California Democratic Party on Saturday endorsed U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein's challenger, highlighting the moderate lawmaker's political disconnect with liberal activists in her home state.

https://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/capitol-alert/article214913325.html

### California Business Leaders are Fighting to Save the Gas Tax

It's not often the California Chamber of Commerce endorses a tax increase. <a href="https://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/capitol-alert/article214771460.html">https://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/capitol-alert/article214771460.html</a>

### **Gun Owners Sue California Over Faulty Weapon Registration System**

Tens of thousands of gun owners were prevented from registering their bulletbutton assault weapons before July 1 through no fault of their own, according to a lawsuit filed Wednesday against Attorney General Xavier Becerra.

https://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/capitol-alert/article214798695.html







### Club Needs

### Guest Speaker suggestions

We are always hunting for speakers who can "inform and educate the public and bring newcomers to the party". That's our mission as a Club, after all.

If you know of a speaker or topic that would be of interest to Club members, don't hesitate to suggest it!



#### Contact Mickey Laws, (760) 567-6159

"Congress is so strange; a man gets up to speak and says nothing, nobody listens, and then everybody disagrees."

— Will Rogers

"Politics pretty quiet over the week-end. Democrats are attacking and the Republicans are defending. All the Democrats have to do is promise "what they would do if they got in." But the Republicans have to promise "what they would do" and then explain why they haven't already "done it."

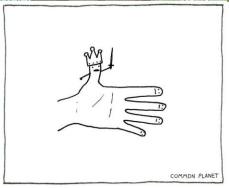
Will Rogers

## PLEASE consider donating to the Glen Thompson Scholarship Fund!

The Mountain Bears are a politically and socially active group of local democrats who want to stay informed, encourage voter turnout, and promote Democratic Party values while sponsoring or participating in community activities for the mutual well-being of all the mountain residents.

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