

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

At our last meeting, held on July 24<sup>th</sup>, Socorro Cisneros spoke well about her campaign for Assembly District 33. Her platform includes, but is not limited to, working for a livable wage, bringing jobs to our district, and improving our public schools. Mickey shared highlights of the State Executive Board Meeting, Keith gave an update on a meeting held concerning Nestlé and the continuing struggle to stop them pumping water from our mountain, Jane spoke on a member volunteer opportunity, "Postcards to Voters", and Sybille gave a synopsis of our expanding efforts at community market nights to register voters.

#### The Glen Thompson Memorial Scholarship

Our student recipient has worked with folks at our elementary schools and has compiled a list of materials that they want and need. We're now in the process of learning how to order these items and, hopefully, will soon purchase them.



# NEXT MEETING

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday, August 28<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: <u>https://arrowheadarts.org/events</u>

Chamber of Commerce calendar: <a href="https://lakearrowheadchamber.com/calendar">https://lakearrowheadchamber.com/calendar</a>

Postcards are available at our meetings! They're great to use for GOTV mailings and...



Don't forget to visit our webpage at: <a href="http://www.mountainbearsdemocrats.org">http://www.mountainbearsdemocrats.org</a>

### Health Issues

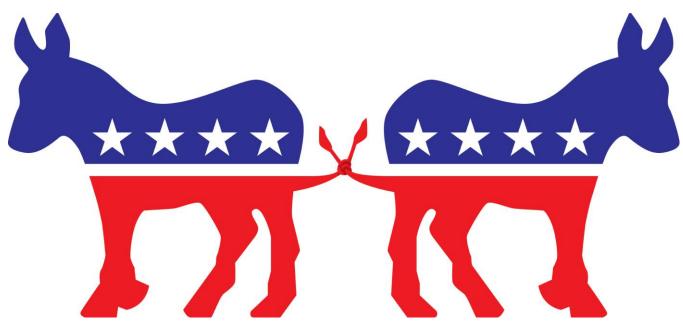
#### Substance Abuse & Suicides: EPIDEMICS in America

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: <u>https://www.drugrehab.com</u>

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





# **National Politics**

#### Trump Administration Rewrites Coal Emissions Rules A Boon for heavily polluting Facilities

A sweeping rewrite of emissions rules for power plants is a boon to the coal industry and lays the groundwork for a revival of the most polluting facilities while abandoning Obama-era mandates for reorienting the electricity sector toward clean energy.

http://www.latimes.com/politics/la-na-pol-essential-washington-updates-trump-plan-scalesback-obama-s-coal-1534862653-htmlstory.html#

#### John McCain reportedly Asked Obama and George W. Bush to Give Eulogies at his Funeral

Before his death Saturday, Sen. John McCain had a special request for two familiar faces to give eulogies at his funeral: former Presidents Barack Obama and George W. Bush.

https://www.aol.com/article/news/2018/08/26/john-mccain-reportedly-requested-obamageorge-w-bush-give-eulogies-at-his-funeral/23509654

### More Corruption in Trump's Administration

Read Trump's ex-lawyer Michael Cohen's full plea agreement and admission of eight counts of financial crimes:

https://www.cnbc.com/2018/08/21/read-trump-ex-lawyer-michael-cohens-full-pleaagreement.html

Paul Manafort, former Trump campaign manager, found guilty on eight counts in tax fraud case:

https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2018/08/21/paul-manafort-verdict/995713002

Former Trump advisor says she will 'blow the whistle' on White House corruption: <a href="http://time.com/5365352/omarosa-white-house-trump-corruption">http://time.com/5365352/omarosa-white-house-trump-corruption</a>



# **State Politics**

## Effort to End Cash Bail in California Clears Major Hurdle in Legislature

Supporters called the proposal a solid first step — one not likely to come again soon — toward overturning the status quo and helping thousands of families ensnared by what they described as a predatory bail system. <u>http://www.latimes.com/politics/la-pol-ca-bail-reform-assembly-20180820-story.html</u>

## Lawmakers Continue to Punt on Wildfire Liability

Consumer groups howled that easing the threat of liability would discourage the big three utilities — Edison, San Diego Gas & Electric and Pacific Gas & Electric — from adopting important safety measures.

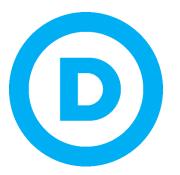
http://www.latimes.com/opinion/editorials/la-ed-utility-wildfire-liability-20180821-story.html

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## **Track the Millions Flowing Into the Race for Governor**

Democrat Gavin Newsom has raised nearly five times that of Republican John Cox.

http://www.latimes.com/projects/la-pol-ca-california-governor-2018-money/#nt=oft-Single%20Chain~Flex%20Feature~daily-chain~gov-1221p~~1~yes-art~curated~curatedpage





## 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!



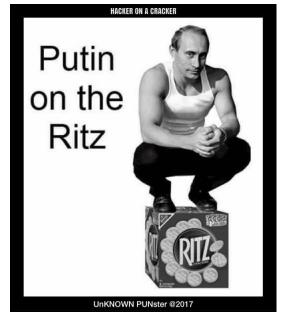
#### Contact Mickey Laws, (760) 567-6159

"Republicans are the party that says government doesn't work, and then get elected and prove it." — P.J. O'Rourke "The enemy isn't conservatism. The enemy isn't liberalism. The enemy is bulls\*\*t." — Lars-Erik Nelson

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.







THIS PUN SOUNDS GOOD. ANY FEEDBACK?

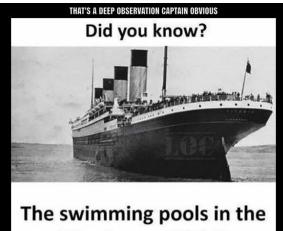


# **DID YOU KNOW?**

Birthdays are good for your health. Studies have shown that people who have more birthdays live the longest.

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EMALE THAT LACKS A CALENDAR IS A SIRI-OUS PROBLEM

