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Weather Forecast
81 69
Saturday: 81/69 cloudy
Sunday: 72/62 a.m. rain
Monday: 69/58 showers
Tuesday: 73/57 mostly sunny

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LONG DISTANCE LAWMEN



A man suspected of burglary at a storage facility in Huntington Beach on Sept. 18 was arrested Wednesday in Colton. According to the HBPD, detectives determined that the suspect was a "career criminal" on post-release community supervision with a related no-bail arrest warrant. He was identified as Casey James Buser, 56, of Colton. Detectives from the HBPD Special Investigations Bureau took the suspect into custody without incident and transported him back to Huntington Beach Jail for booking (HBPD photo).

Forgiveness For Amy West On the Agenda

Resolution is suggested by Mayor Nguyen

By Jim Tortolano
Orange County Tribune



AMY PHAN WEST
District 1

Westminster City Council

Are they willing to let bygones be bygones?

On Wednesday, the Westminster City Council will consider a resolution lifting certain measures to punish Councilmember Amy Phan West for past conduct.

West was officially censured by the council in August 2024 for violations of the council's ethics policy. She frequently clashed with Mayor Chi Charlie Nguyen over her conduct during council meetings.

In addition to the censure, she was banned from serving as a city council delegate or representative to other agencies.

The mayor is asking that the censure and prohibitions be removed. "As a sign of unity, and reflective of [her] improvements toward a united city council," he made the request.

West was in the news for her conduct in an incident for which the Orange County District Attorney filed misdemeanor attempted bribery charges

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Illegal pot dispensaries busted by WPD, CDCC

Two illegal marijuana dispensaries in Westminster were raided on Thursday and seized were cash, marijuana and other items.

According to the WPD, detectives along with investigators from the California Department of Cannabis Control (CDCC) served search warrants at the two sites, one located in the 9550 block of Bolsa Avenue and the second in the 14300 Beach Boulevard block.

Westminster doesn't issue permits for marijuana dispensaries.

Seized was over $15,000 in cash, over 40 pounds of marijuana, and over 145 pounds of THC vape devices and THC-infused edible products. THC, or tetrahydrocannabinol, is the main intoxicant in marijuana that produces

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It's a farewell meeting for Lisa Kim

Garden Grove City Council

The "farewell" meeting of the Garden Grove City Council for retiring City Manager Lisa Kim will be on Tue sday.

Kim served 10 years in City Hall, for seven years as community development director and then three years as city manager.

She will be in the community spotlight, and her last day working for the city will be Nov. 2.

Also on the agenda will be a request for an extension of operating hours and an exemption to the city noise ordinance for the Garden Amp in the Village Green park on

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Amy Phan West

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against her.

The OCDA's office brought the charges against her in February of 2024 over an encounter in April 2023 in which the City of Westminster sent two parking control officers in reference to an abandoned Jeep – registered to Amy Phan West's husband – parked on a city street.

They requested a tow truck to remove the Jeep when she allegedly identified herself, told the parking officers not to tow the Jeep — she would "move it herself," she said

She then allegedly spoke of her friendship with the Westminster police chief and that she was in the process of "getting raises for police department personnel."

The tow truck was cancelled and the Jeep was left at the site. She received a sentence of 20 hours of community service and required to take a two-hour ethics course.

West is running for re-election for the city council District 1 seat, along with challengers Michael Fenton and David Johnson.

Farewell, Lisa

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New Year's Eve.

Other requests come from King Shocks Technology for temporary street closures to host the 4th annual Christmas Toy Drive on Saturday, Dec.19 and for a two-day Buddha's Birthday Festival at Garden Grove Park on Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25, 2027.

The proposed route for the Toy Drive would require street closures on Lampson Avenue between Knott Street and Monarch Street, on Edison Way between Lampson Avenue and Belgrave Avenue, on Industry Street between Lampson Avenue and Chapman Avenue,
and on Belgrave Avenue between Industry Street and Knott Street. City streets will be closed from 2 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave

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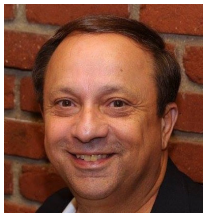
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News&Views

Here's a great campaign vow: stop the spam



Retorts
Jim Tortolano

If you're a bit like me – and who is exactly like any one of us? – you are being inundated with political messages in your mailbox and in your e-mail and with annoying phone calls.

From a strictly objective point of view, the messages lack a certain … effectiveness. Yes, we know that you will stop crime, lower taxes, pave the roads and build more parks and yes, your opponent is a no-good son of a snake who will destroy the Republic if he/she gets in office.

But … that's all abstract stuff. Even if sincere, hard-working and talented, it would take years to move the needle on any of those issues. And that's especially aggravating because I have an issue that I need to have addressed right now.

Spam. And I don't mean the delicious canned meat with enough salt and fat to kill a wooly mammoth. I mean the phone calls (mostly) and e-mails (also awful) that interrupt your dinner, wake you from a nice nap and send your sweet but somewhat clueless relatives into debt peonage because of some scam they signed up for.

You see where I am going with this. If you want my vote, you need to strike a blow against The Mighty Spam Machine. The Do Not Call list was a joke, about a strong as a wet Kleenex trying to hold back an Abrams main battle tank.

The "Spam Risk" notice you get on your phone is the leakiest sieve in the telecommunications. Like the "Ancient Mariner," it "stoppith one of three."

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SWEET LOU'S BBQ SHACK in Huntington Beach (Orange CountyTribune photos)

Fussy about your BBQ? Then try Sweet Lou's if you like something sweet

Chow Lines

By John M. Borack
Orange County Tribune

I must admit, I'm a bit difficult to please when it comes to good barbecue. Having visited Texas at least once a year for the past decade, I have been spoiled by the tasty brisket, beef ribs, sausage, chicken, and more at top-notch BBQ joints such as the Pecan Lodge (Dallas), Heim (Fort Worth), and Hurtado (Arlington).

As far as tasty 'cue in our neighborhoods (Garden Grove, Westminster, and Huntington Beach), I've written about the most excellent Smoke Queen Barbecue in Garden Grove in these pages. But where else can BBQ lovers go to get their fix?



A VERY BIG SANDWICH

I had passed by Sweet Lou's Barbecue Shack in HB a number of times, always thinking, "Man, I really need to try that place."

I stopped by on a Monday at lunch time, all primed for some barbecue until I saw the "closed" sign on the front door. (They are only open Wednesday through Saturday.) Nonplussed by this not-so-tragic turn of events, I returned a few weeks later on a Wednesday afternoon.

Located in an A-frame building that looks to be the site of a former Tastee Freez restaurant, Sweet Lou's is an unassuming little place with limited outdoor seating. I was greeted by a very helpful server who called me "honey" and "sweetie" and explained the ordering process to me.

I opted for the barbecue turkey sandwich and a 4 oz. side of beans, which set me back $15 I took a seat on the small-ish patio, which was decorated with

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Town halls set for G. Grove, Huntington

A pair of Town Hall meetings hosted by Orange County 1st District Supervisor Janet Nguyen will be held later this month in Garden Grove and Huntington Beach this month.

Nguyen and State Sen. Tony Strickland will be on hand at both events.

Invited to appear at the Garden Grove town hall will be Mayor Stephanie Klopfenstein, Councilmember Cindy Tran and Commissioner Patrick Phat Bui. That will be held at the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main St. (in the Village Green park) from 6-8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 19.

The Huntington Beach event will be held on Thursday, Oct. 22 from 6-7:30 p.m. at TS Conductor, 15272 Newsboy Circle in Huntington Beach.

Invited guests include Mayor Casey McKeon, Councilmembers Pat Burns and Gracey Van

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History Minute

It took fires to get a fire department

As is often the case, it took a series of disasters to prompt action to get Garden Grove's first fire-fighting operation.

A fire destroyed two citrus packing houses west of what is now Main Street in 1922 and another blaze in 1924 that nearly destroyed the adjacent commercial block.

Other major fires did considerable damage, including the 1927 burning down of Garden Grove Hotel, which had stood since 1888.

There were no fire hydrants in town and in case of a blaze, help had to be summoned from Anaheim or Santa Ana.

Finally, in 1927 voters

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NewsUpdate

Trump: More Diesel from Russia

Price at pump at record levels as election nears



DIESEL PROCESSING PLANT (Shutterstock).

A deal to get more diesel fuel from Russia was claimed by President Donald Trump on Friday.

According to the Associated Press, Trump said he struck the deal via telephone call with Russian President Vladimir Putin. Promised "immediately" was more than 300,000 tons of diesel with 500,000 tons on Nov. 1 and 1 million tons "immediately thereafter."

Three million more tons would come "within a short period of time" after, he said.

The announcement comes after Trump signed a major sanctions law aimed at reducing the oil and gas money that helps fuel Russia's war against Ukraine.

Part of Ukraine's military efforts to resist the Russian invasion is to use missiles and drones to damage Moscow's petroleum refining facilities which produce gasoline and diesel fuel.

That conflict, along with the effects of the ongoing war with Iran, have driven up diesel prices to record highs.

Hurricane Isaias approaches the Gulf Coast and Florida

Hurricane Isaias, now deemed a Category 3 storm, is moving toward the Gulf Coast and could make landfall as early as Friday night or Saturday morning.

United Press International reports the storm is 125 miles east/southeast of the mouth of the Mississippi River.

It packs sustained winds of 120 miles an hour and is moving at a speed of 16 miles an hour. After landfall, though, the hurricane is expected to lose power. The resulting storm surge might cause rising tides which could flood some coastal areas.

The weekend is expected to bring rainfall of four to eight inches to the area, but with localized areas getting up to 15 inches.

Great Thoughts

"The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain."
– Dolly Parton

"Criticism, like rain, should be gentle enough to nourish a man's growth without destroying his roots."
– Frank A. Clark

"Rain showers my spirit and waters my soul."
– Emily Logan Decens

A bit cooler, with some rain

The heat wave that hit our West Orange County cities is finally breaking and with cooler temperatures will come some rainfall. Tropical Storm Rachel is bringing high tides and local flooding along the Orange County coast, with both reported in Laguna Beach and Newport Beach. The forecast for Saturday is for a daytime high of 81 with an overnight low of 69 with cloudy skies and an 8 percent chance of rain. Sunday willl be wetter with temps of 72 (62) and an 84 percent chance of morning rain. Monday will be even cooler at 69 (58) with a 55 percent chance of showers. Tuesday will warm to 73 (57) with mostly sunny skies and a 16 percent chance of rain.

Mike Ditka, star player and coach, is dead at 86

The famed "tough guy" head coach of the Chicago Bears, Mike Ditka, has died at the age of 86.

The AP is reporting that tributes from various sources, including from former president Barack Obama and Ditka's former players, have poured in.

Ditka was a six-time all-pro right end for the Bears, Philadelphia Eagles and Dallas Cowboys. He was the head coach for the Bears from 1982 to 1992 and for the New Orleans Saints from 1997 to 1999.

He is one of only two people – the other is Tom Flores – in NFL history to win a Super Bowl as a player, an assistant coach and head coach.

Arts&Living

Heroism and Greed in 'Last First'

Engrossing and sobering tale of courage, ego

By Jocelyn Noveck
AP National Writer



CONQUERING K2 in winter was no easy task (Apple TV)

"He has to go and live on the edge," explains Lina Móey about her husband, the Icelandic mountaineer John Snorri Sigurjonsson, in "The Last First: Winter K2." And she means it literally: He has to go live on the edge of a mountain.

In this case, it's the most forbidding mountain on the planet: K2, on the border between Pakistan and China. Sigurjonsson, one of the main figures profiled in Amir Bar-Lev's engrossing and sobering documentary, was already a celebrated climber when he returned to K2, the world's second-highest peak after Mount Everest. He had scaled it in summertime. Now, four years later, Sigurjonsson aimed to scale it in winter.

That's a feat no climber had ever achieved on what one expert calls a "savage mountain." But that winter in 2021, as Pakistan eased pandemic-era border restrictions, dozens of climbers — veterans and novices alike — saw a chance to achieve that "last first" in extreme climbing.

Ultimately, 10 would make the summit. But Bar-Lev's film is far from the usual inspiring look at how determination and grit resulted in a triumph of spirit and body.

It's a movie that instead looks at the cynical opportunism that has led to a dangerous — and in this case, utterly catastrophic — commercialization of extreme climbing.

That there were deaths on the 2021 climb is well-documented. But Bar-Lev, who has pieced together some extraordinarily intimate footage (he himself did not shoot on site), chooses to assume the viewer doesn't know, keeping the final tragedy a mystery until the end.

Movie Review

His message comes through immediately, though, in a pre-credits sequence. We hear the crackling of a radio, and the voice of American climber Colin O'Brady, far up the mountain.

"I want to be on the record, I'm very worried about people's safety," O'Brady says. "Please, please, please help."

We then go back two months, with Sigurjonsson saying an emotional goodbye to Moey and their six children as he departs Iceland on his dream mission.

"Finally this day has come," he writes on Facebook.

Once at K2 base camp, he bonds with his team: noted Pakistani climber Ali Sadpara and his son, Sajid. The trio starts the slow process of acclimating to the mountain air and preparing for the ordeal ahead.

There's laughter, some quips about urine freezing midair, even a bit of dancing.

Then the Nepali team arrives. Their star, Nimsdai Purja, is on his own mission: making history for his nation. Historically, climbers from Nepal have been crucial in helping Westerners reach climbing greatness, with no glory for themselves.

So, though Purja gives Ali a big hug upon arrival and all seems collegial, there are sharp egos at stake, and nationalist pride.

"Nimsdai," one climber says, "was there to win it." And he did — though his team seemingly betrayed the others to do it, setting off alone one morning despite an agreement with Sigurjonsson and the Sadparas to summit together.

We see the trio's reaction in their tent: shock and disappointment.

Good ★★★

"It was over," says Moey.

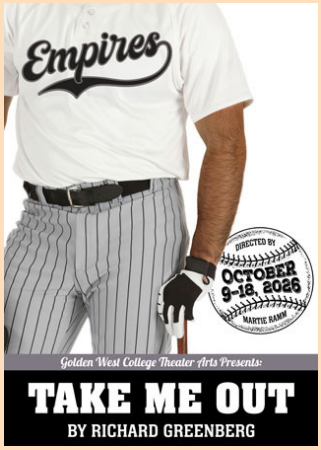
Not long after, an experienced climber dies in a fall. Now, there's talk of everyone going home. But things get complicated. Pakistani officials arrive for a visit and make it clear the country is counting on their two countrymen to show they can match the Nepalis.

On top of that, filmmaker Elia Saikaly has arrived, planning a movie on Ali Sadpara and his he-

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Basball, sexuality in 'Take Me Out'

"Take Me Out," a play about baseball and sexuality, opens this week at the MainStage Theater at Golden West College in Huntington Beach. It's the story of Darren Lemming, star of the fictional New York Empires, who reveals to the public that he is gay. The play opened Thursday and continues weekends through Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. Martie Ramm is the director.



TheSportsPages

Making history can be a pretty steep climb

If the Dodgers win the World Series this year and grab their third consecutive baseball crown, does that give them some claim to being among the best teams ever?

Well, let's not count our triples until they hatch, but even with a three-peat, they'd have quite a hill to climb regardless. Most sports historians continue to lean Yankee, tapping either the 1927 or 1939 Bronx Bombers as the greatest of all time. The stats look good. The '27 Yanks were 110-44-1 with a 376 run differential. The '39 Yanks were 105-45-1 with a 411-run edge.



Sports Retorts
Jim Tortolano

But one has to approach those seasons and stats with a slightly skeptical eye. Both Yanks' teams were in the segregated era of baseball (no Black players), playing a slightly shorter season (154 games instead of the current 162, plus playoffs) with mostly day games and no trans-continental travel with all the teams concentrated in the eastern part of the nation.

There were three teams in New York City and two teams in Boston, Chicago and St. Louis and not a ball club further west. Travel can be fatiguing and playing under the lights does add a small (but potentially significant) challenge.

Sporting News' "Blue Ribbon Panel" ranks the '27 Yanks in first, the 1998 Yankees second and the '39 Yanks third in an evaluation which might make one wonder which part of Queens or the Bronx these voters resided.

The highest-rated Dodger team – if you're curious – was the

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Help Wanted: Bolts

Chargers are 0-4, first time since 2017

By Beth Harris
AP Sports Writer

EL SEGUNDO (AP) — The Los Angeles Chargers' growing pains have turned into a full-blown crisis.

Winless to start a season for the first time since 2017, the Chargers (0-4) are looking up from the bottom of the AFC West. There's little relief in sight, with the upcoming schedule featuring a tough stretch against contenders Denver, Kansas City and Baltimore.

Salvaging the season by making the playoffs for a third consecutive season under coach Jim Harbaugh seems improbable unless the offense improves quickly under new coordinator Mike McDaniel.

Harbaugh insisted after a 30-23 loss at Seattle on Sunday that McDaniel's job is not in jeopardy.

Justin Herbert has struggled early on in McDaniel's system, with six interceptions and 12 sacks in four games. Lack of protection for Herbert was an issue last season, too, when he was the second-most sacked QB in the league.

The Chargers have precedent on their side. They're the only team in NFL history to make the playoffs after starting 0-4, doing so in 1992 when they played in San Diego.

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THE LOS ANGELES CHARGERS may need more than an energy drink to pull out of a 0-4 tailspin. That's defensive lineman Justin Eboigbe above (Chargers photo).

Weekend in Football

- **Rams vs Eagles,** Monday, 5:15. p.m., Channel 7.
- **Chargers vs. Broncos,** Sunday, 1:05 p.m. Channel 2.
- **USC at Penn State**, Saturday, 4:30 p.m., Channel 4.
- **UCLA at Oregon**, Saturday, 12:30 p.m., Channel 2.

Dodgers take on Brewers in NL Championships

The march toward a third consecutive World Series championship has passed the next-to-last step, and for the Los Angeles Dodgers, the road to three-peat immortality runs through America's beer capital and its Brewers.

Andy Pages' two-run single in the seventh inning was the key to the Dodgers' 4-1 win over the Atlanta Braves on Wednesday, winning them a three games to one victory in the National League Division Series and a ticket to the league championship series.

The Milwaukee Brewers advanced by defeating the San Diego Padres 3-1 on Wednesday to win its division series, three games to one.

The best-of-seven series will begin in Milwaukee on Sunday for Game One, Monday will be Game Two. Tuesday is a travel day, and then the series shifts to Dodger Stadium for Games 3, 4 and – if necessary – 5, Wednesday through Friday.

If there are Games 6 and 7, those games will be back in Wisconsin on Sunday, Oct, 18 and Monday, Oct, 19.

Ducks ground the Jets 5-1 in Winnipeg

The Anaheim Ducks defeated the Winnipeg Jets 5-1 on the road on Friday night, improving their record to 3-1. That's good for six points and third place in the NHL's Pacific Division. The Orange County team led 2-0 after two periods and then blew the game open in the third period with three goals.

Scoring for Anaheim were Judd Caufield, Tim Washe, Sam Colangelo and Mikael Granlund. Lukas Dostal had 15 saves on goal on 16 shots.

Oilers Over Dolphins in the Big Game

Edmunds stars with passing and running skills

Quarterback Brady Edmunds passed for two touchdowns and ran for the deciding score as the Huntington Beach Oiler football team got a 21-16 win over Dana Hills in a battle of two unbeaten teams.

Both teams came into the game with 6-0 overall records but something had to give.

The orange-and-black are now atop the Delta League with a 2-0 mark, 7-0 overall.

Edmunds passed for 210 yards and rushed for another 43 on the ground.

Garden Grove left the ranks of the winless with a 20-13 win over Santa Ana in a clash of two of the oldest football programs in Orange County.

The Argonauts are now 1-6 overall and 1-1 in the Omicron League.

In the Tango League, was that a football game or a basketball clash? Savanna defeated Magnolia 84-52 in a game that saw the Rebels roll up a 50-6 first quarter lead.

The Sentinels are now 2-5 overall and 1-4 in league play, good for eighth place.

Prep Sports Spotlight

FOOTBALL

Thursday

Bolsa Grande 37, Santiago 6
Santa Ana Valley 10, La Quinta 7

Friday

Garden Grove 20, Santa Ana 13
Huntington Beach 21, Dana Hills 16
Savanna 84, Magnolia 52
Ocean View 47, Saddleback 0
Orange 53, Segerstrom 7
Pacifica 31, Northwood 24
Sonora 17, Westminster 14
Laguna Hills 28, Marina 24



FLAG FOOTBALL is football, too. The Santiago High School flag football team is the champion of the Grove League, posting a 7-1 record. The Cavaliers have won two league titles in three years (GGUSD photo).

In the Sigma League, Ocean View defeated winless Saddleback 47-0. The Seahawks are 6-1 overall and 2-0 in league play.

Orange remained unbeaten at 7-0 with a 53-7 rout of Segerstrom. The Panthers are now 2-0 in the Foxtrot League.

Despite trailing 14-7 at the half, the Pacifica Mariners rallied for a 31-24 Iota League win over Northwood.

The victory puts the M's at 6-1 overall and 1-1 in league play.

In the Lambda League, Westminster lost 17-14 to Sonora. The Lions are now 5-2 overall and 1-1 in league.



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Greed and heroism in 'The Last First'

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roic attempt.

Says Moey: "There was so much pressure on them."

Meanwhile, the true villain of the tale — the travel company Seven Summit Treks — has brought a group of fee-paying clients, many woefully inexperienced. And ill-equipped: When they reach Camp Three, from where climbers make the final push to the summit, they lack tents and food to survive the night.

So they plead their way into the tents of more experienced climbers, making it impossible for them to get any rest or prepare properly.

The next day, only three climbers make a final push to the summit.

There's some deeply poignant footage here. Some of it — such as people learning close friends or partners have died — was apparently too intimate to make the final cut.

But such personal moments are key to keeping the film moving. And they show how the risks of climbing K2 in winter extend far beyond falling rocks, avalanches, killer storms and deathly cold.

They include human qualities like jealousy, competitiveness, and ego.

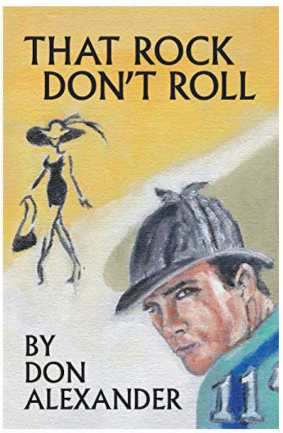
As one climber says: "Mountaineering is not only a discovery of the mountain — it's a discovery of yourself."

But for us, it's also uncomfortable to be so close to such tragedy. As filmmaker Saikaly himself says at one point: "I had gone overboard. What am I doing right now? Nobody wants to see a camera."

"The Last First: WinterK2," an Apple TV release, is unrated by the Motion Picture Association. Running time: 98 minutes.

Some serious fun

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Don Alexander has been a sports columnist, a sports broadcaster, talk show host and a college instructor. This is his first novel.

Sweet BBQ at Sweet Lou's BBQ Shack

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several cute metal signs. (My personal favorite said, "I like pig butts and I cannot lie.")

The turkey sandwich was served on a freshly baked bollillo roll, split down the middle and stuffed with a generous amount of tender turkey. The addition of the slightly sweet and tangy barbecue sauce was a perfect complement to the sandwich. Like the other meats on the menu, the turkey was slow-smoked and cooked over mesquite and hickory. The beans were nicely seasoned and had a slight kick to them. Next time I'm planning on ordering the BBQ Combo Plate: sliced smoked turkey, pulled pork, sausage, and brisket, served with a choice of their sides. A hunk of their fresh blueberry honey butter cornbread might be on tap as well.

In addition to their storefront, Sweet Lou's also offers catering and ship-to-you options. Visit www.sweetlousbbq.com for more information.

Sweet Lou's Barbecue Shack is located at 6441 W. McFadden Ave. in Huntington Beach.

They are open Wednesday through Saturday from 10:30 am to 7 pm, and their phone number is 714-799-9944.

Retorts

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I want direct action, like a federal law, or a national boycott, or a TV commercial comparing spam-mongers to people who trip little old ladies and then laugh.

I want … widespread publication of the home phone numbers (and personal cell phone numbers) of every CEO of every spam operator, and volunteers to update the list and dial until their fingers are numb, or spam is sent to Bad Manners Hell, whichever is first.

Now, I realize it might be a little too late for this election cycle, but in 2028, see the candidate who surges to the front is the one who first says, "Damn that spam, I will kill it as fast I can."

Get my vote, anyway.

Sports Retorts

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1955 Brooklyn team that finally beat the Yanks after five World Series heartbreaks. They did have quite a lineup, featuring seven Hall of Famers including the rookie Sandy Koufax.

Pot busts

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a "high." Also taken was an unregistered firearm.

Five persons were detained and released pending further investigation.

The WPD is asking that anyone with more information regarding these operations contact Detective W. Bouffard at (714) 548-3736.

History minute

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approved the establishment of a fire protection district, to be manned by volunteers and later a professional staff.

When the city incorporated in 1956, it evolved into the Garden Grove Fire Department, whose duties were assumed in August 2019 by the Orange County Fire Authority, ending the GGFD's 93 years of service.

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Der Mark and Planning Commissioner Brian Thienes.

Both events are free and open to the public. It's an opportunity to get information and updates on ongoing issues, and to ask your leaders questions.

If interested in attending, RSVP's are requested to zechariah.jauregui@sen.ca.gov.

Who helped eradicate the plague of polio?
Garden Grove Rotary

Who sponsors a defibrillator program to save lives when heart attacks strike?
Garden Grove Rotary

Who recognizes 6th grade students for achievement in academics and scholarship?
Garden Grove Rotary

Who sponsors and contributes to training high school students on leadership and citizenship?
Garden Grove Rotary.