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COLLEGE SUPPORT GROUPS TRY TO REACH STUDENTS

At least 9 clubs at local campuses redoubling efforts

BY KATE MORRISSEY

As unauthorized immigrant students at San Diego's colleges and universities cope with the end of a program that spared many of them from deportation, student organizations across the county are trying to help.

At least nine of the institutions across San Diego

have clubs meant to provide support to those students and their allies. Because many students fear revealing their immigration statuses, most of these organizations are small, but they hope to grow as the so-called "dreamers" seek resources and comfort.

"I think it's important for people to know that they're not alone," said Ismael Blas, president and founder of Supporting Empowering Engaging Dreamers, or SEED, at Palomar College.

California schools have
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15 STATES FILE LAWSUIT AGAINST DACA DECISION

D.C. joins in legal action that claims Trump improperly upended policy

BY ALEXANDER BURNS & VIVIAN YEE

President Donald Trump's immigration policies faced a renewed legal fight on Wednesday, as a coalition of Democratic attorneys general, nonprofit groups and private companies announced they would oppose his rollback of Obama-era protections for people who entered the country illegally as children.

In an echo of the campaign against Trump's effort

Poll: Trump's DACA decision

In a new U-T/10News poll, 500 San Diego County residents were surveyed about their views on the president's DACA decision. Is the Trump administration making the right decision?

| | Yes | No | Republicans | Democrats | Independents |
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| Yes | 27% | 58% | 58% | 28% | 13% |
| No | 52% | 22% | 22% | 49% | 77% |

See full results of the poll on page A12.

this year to ban travelers from parts of the Muslim world, a group of 16 Demo-

cratic attorneys general — representing 15 states and the District of Columbia —

filed suit in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn, claiming that Trump had improperly upended the policy known as Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA.

Led by Attorneys General Eric Schneiderman of New York, Maura Healey of Massachusetts and Bob Ferguson of Washington, they alleged Trump's shift was driven by racial animus toward Mexican-Americans and that the Trump administration failed to follow federal rules govern-
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JOSE JIMENEZ GETTY IMAGES

A street is flooded as Hurricane Irma hits Fajardo, Puerto Rico, on Wednesday, leaving nearly 900,000 people on the island without power and 50,000 without water. At least four people on islands across the Caribbean have been killed by the Category 5 storm.

IRMA RAVAGES CARIBBEAN ON PATH TO FLA.

Islands report widespread destruction, flooding as U.S. mainland prepares for hurricane's landfall

BY FRANCES ROBLES, KIRK SEMPLE & RICHARD PÉREZ-PEÑA

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico

Hurricane Irma struck the northeast Caribbean with terrifying force Wednesday, its battering rain and winds of up to 185 mph leaving a trail of chaos, wreckage and flooding from Barbuda to Puerto Rico, before taking aim at islands farther west and, beyond them, Florida.

Already one of the most powerful storms ever recorded, Irma could become one of the most destructive as well, depending on its path, and

officials from Turks and Caicos to Florida pleaded with people to heed advisories to evacuate to shelters and higher ground. The National Hurricane Center described the storm as "potentially catastrophic."

The hurricane made direct hits on Barbuda, St. Barthélemy, St. Martin, Anguilla and the British Virgin Islands, and raked the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico with hurricane-force wind and torrential rain. Gaston Browne, prime minister of Antigua and Barbuda, said Irma had destroyed 90 percent of the structures on Barbuda, an island with
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FEDS: GROUP LIFTED \$20M IN GOODS

Indictment says mall merchandise resold for less in Mexico

BY KRISTINA DAVIS

For at least the past decade, Tijuana vendors put in special orders for designer merchandise, dispatching teams of shoplifters to malls around the country to steal more than \$20 million in loot that could be resold at lower prices in Mexico, according to an indictment unsealed in San Diego federal court Wednesday.

The highly organized shoplifting ring targeted malls around San Diego County — from Fashion Valley to Horton Plaza to Plaza Bonita — and as far away as Washington, Illinois, Oregon and Maryland, prosecutors said. They used sophisticated techniques to lift everything from Louis Vuitton shoes to Victoria's Secret lingerie to Abercrombie & Fitch clothing.

And when necessary, the suspected thieves used violence — knocking down an infant in a stroller or breaking a loss prevention officer's arm — to get away with their crimes, the U.S. Attorney's Office said.

On Wednesday, more
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COUNTY'S HEPATITIS CRISIS WON'T BE QUICKLY QUASHED

BY PAUL SISSON

The end still is not in sight for San Diego County's deadly hepatitis A outbreak.

Dr. Eric McDonald, director of the county's Epidemiology and Immunization Services Branch, said Wednesday that, based on the number of cases coming in daily and the way other large outbreaks have gone, it's unrealistic to expect a quick end to the disease's spread.

"If we're fortunate, we are halfway through this outbreak," McDonald said of the outbreak that started months ago.

Because hepatitis A has a 15- to 50-day incubation period and makes people contagious one to two weeks before symptoms appear, reversing an outbreak of the size now seen in San Diego County takes time, McDonald said, even after additional recent measures such as hand-washing sta-
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JOHN GIBBINS U-T

Jaime Lynn Hines cleans off in one of the hand-washing stations installed to help combat the spread of hepatitis A.

TRUMP, DEMOCRATS ALIGN ON STOPGAP FUNDING PLAN

President cuts deal with leaders to keep government running

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WASHINGTON

President Donald Trump aligned himself with Democrats on Wednesday on a series of key fiscal issues — and even gave a lift to North Dakota's embattled Democratic U.S. senator.

Trump confounded his

party's leaders when he cut a deal with Democratic congressional leaders — "Chuck and Nancy," as the president informally referred to them — on a short-term plan to fund the government and raise its borrowing limit this month.

The president's stance upended sensitive negotiations over the debt ceiling and other crucial policy issues this fall and further imperiled his already tenuous relationships with Senate Majority Leader Mitch Mc-
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TODAY'S DEAL



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NEIL SIMON'S LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS

"Extraordinarily funny and charming" — THE NEW YORK TIMES

"Delightfully hilarious and witty...a genuinely brilliant play." — NEW YORK POST

PREVIEWS START THIS WEEK THROUGH OCTOBER 1

North Coast Repertory Theatre
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Cervantes Magaña. 1027 University Ave., Hillcrest. (619) 481-5033 or cohnrestaurants.com/bobeaukitchencache

Hive, Kearny Mesa

Part gourmet restaurant, part karaoke club and part nightclub, Hive is a one-stop entertainment spot. The 20,000-square-foot complex has 13 private karaoke rooms and a high-end nightclub called Honeycomb, with bottle service and live entertainment. The restaurant, overseen by executive chef Q Yoo, offers a global menu with everything from Asian wings to Mexican and American dishes. It opened in May. 4428 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa (858) 576-0700 or hivesd.com

Hundred Proof, University Heights

This elevated cocktail bar and restaurant, which opened June 28, comes from the creative minds behind nearby Trust Restaurant in Hillcrest. Cocktails and boozy milkshakes are served along with high-end bar food (duck poutine, baked crab dip, wood-fired pizza) in this indoor/outdoor space. 4130 Park Blvd., University Heights. (619) 501-6404 or hundredproofsd.com

Libertad! Tacos a la Brasa, Hillcrest

Located next door to BO-beau, Libertad! is Cohn Restaurant Group's new social experiment, a nonprofit street taco shop that channels 100 percent of profits to a different local charity each month. 1023 University Ave., Hillcrest. (619) 481-5035 or cohnrestaurants.com/tacoslibertad

Oak & Elixir Wine Beer Eatery, Carlsbad

This family-owned wine bar/bistro opened June 2 in the former REELM wine bar location in Carlsbad Village. The restaurant serves beer and wines with a small menu of shareable plates, including charcuterie, baked brie, avocado toast, pulled-pork sliders, flatbreads and salads. 2917 State St., Carlsbad. (760) 453-7853 or oakandelixir.com

San Diego Poke Co., Normal Heights

This family-run business started at the Scripps Ranch farmers market, then opened its first brick-and-mortar store in Mission Valley. Its second location opened in June in Normal Heights. The restaurants serve poke bowls, tacos and salads. 3533 Adams Ave., Normal Heights. (619) 501.5960 or sdpokeco.com

Village North Chinese Cuisine, Kearny Mesa

Opened in mid-May, this creative eatery on Convoy has three



NICK & G'S

Mussels Brodetto at Nick & G's restaurant, which opened in mid-August in Rancho Santa Fe.

chefs preparing authentic cuisine from Northern and Southern China plus Chinese barbecue. Every dish requires a minimum of 10 ingredients, and some dishes are so exotic that they're rarely served in the U.S. 4428 Convoy St., Suite 330, Kearny Mesa. (858) 277-1888 or facebook.com/villagenorthsd

OPENED IN JULY

Fools and Kings, Mission Hills

Wet Stone Bar owner Christian Gomez opened this new art-filled, globally inspired wine bar and restaurant in July. The small-plates menu at this 49-seat restaurant is inspired by Gomez's travels in Spain, Peru and Argentina, as well as the flavors of Asia and the Middle East. The bar features a global collection of wines, beers and house-made sangria. 4015 Goldfinch St., Mission Hills. (619) 578-2542 or foolsandkings.bar

Maretalia Ristorante, Coronado

Blue Bridge Hospitality has taken over the former Viglucci's restaurant in Coronado and given it a new name and look. Florentine chef Marco Sedda has stayed on and refreshed the menu with a modern coastal Italian vibe. 1300 Orange Ave., Suite 200, Coronado. (619) 522-0946 or bluebridgehospitality.com/maretalia

Park 101, Carlsbad

This two-story, multi-venue, plaza-style establishment in

Carlsbad Village offers four dining venues. The second-story Tamarack View Deck serves barbecue by pitmaster Ryan Tuscan with 32 beers on tap. On the ground floor are three casual options selling fresh juices, sandwiches, coffee drinks, ice cream and fresh doughnuts. 3040 Carlsbad Blvd., Carlsbad. park101carlsbad.com

Pisco Rotisserie & Cevicheria, Point Loma

Sami Ladeki, founder of the Sammy's pizza chain, launched this Peruvian restaurant concept on July 27 at Liberty Station's Public Market. Pisco has a rotisserie and ceviche-centric menu developed by Emmanuel Pi-queras, a chef and Peruvian cooking show producer. Liberty Station Public Market, 2401 Truxtun Road, Suite 102, Point Loma. piscorotisserie.com

Salt & Whiskey, Gaslamp Quarter

This retro-inspired restaurant and cocktail lounge opened in late July at the historic Horton Grand Hotel. The old Ida Bailey Restaurant and Palace Bar have been remodeled into a single space, offering an eclectic menu by Welsh-born chef Aaron Thomas (formerly of Avant in Rancho Bernardo). Specialties include pork three ways, pan-seared scallops with orange parsnip puree, and fish and chips. Nick Goers' bar serves more than 600 whiskeys and 1,000 spirits. Horton Grand Hotel, 311 Island

Ave., Gaslamp. (619) 544-1886 or hortongrand.com

Trailer Park After Dark, Gaslamp Quarter

This high-concept underground eatery and bar, which opened in late July, has the look, feel and taste of a 1950s-era trailer park, with retro furniture, vintage trailers, diner booths and garage sale décor. The high-carb menu includes Frito pie, hot dogs, mac 'n' cheese, potato tots and sausage. The bar menu includes eight beers on tap and assorted bottled and canned brews. As the name implies, it's only open at night, Tuesdays-Saturdays. 835 Fifth Ave., Gaslamp Quarter. (619) 236-1550 or trailerparkafterdark.com

Viewpoint Brewing Co., Del Mar

Del Mar's first brewery (and gastropub) opened in mid-July. Charles Koll, of the Koll jeweler family of San Diego, has launched this passion project in a 7,000-square-foot warehouse near the San Dieguito River Park and Del Mar Fairgrounds. Working with head brewer Moe Katomski, Koll has developed seven house brews. Chef Gunnar Planter's menu features burgers, mac 'n' cheese, steak frites and salmon. 2201 San Dieguito Drive, Del Mar. viewpointbrewing.com

OPENED IN AUGUST

Crackheads and Doughballs, Liberty Station

A new joint dining concept from culinary entrepreneur James Markham (Pieology, Project Pie) opened Aug. 22 in Liberty Public Market's food hall. Doughballs serves wood-fired, craft-your-own pizzas that cook in just 90 seconds. Crackheads serves an all-day menu of breakfast sandwiches. The eatery's namesake sandwich features an egg drizzled with "crack sauce," Applewood smoked bacon and cheddar. Desserts include Pop-Tart ice cream sandwiches and jarred foods. A second Doughballs is planned in Pacific Beach this fall. 2820 Historic Decatur Road, Point Loma. libertypublicmarket.com

Eureka!, College Heights

The Hawthorne-based gourmet burger chain opened its second San Diego location in late August in the newly constructed South Campus Plaza, a mixed-use dormitory complex at San Diego State University. The 4,000-square-foot location serves lunch, dinner and weekend brunch. The beer, burger and barbecue restaurant chain opened its first local eatery four years ago at Westfield UTC. 6050 Montezuma Road, College Heights. (619) 220-2400 or eurekarestaurantgroup.com

Fung Fung Yuen, Mira Mesa

The former Hometown Buffet location has been transformed into an upscale 360-seat dim sum eatery, which opened Aug. 8. Vegetable, meat and seafood dumplings are served tableside from rolling carts. The restaurant also serves fresh seafood, Asian beers, sake and cocktails. 10660 Camino Ruiz, Mira Mesa. (858) 578-8800.

The Goods, Carlsbad

Joseph and Jacquie Barille, owners of brunch-centric Cafe Topes in Carlsbad, opened an artisan doughnut and coffee shop a few blocks away in early August. The shop turns out made-from-scratch gourmet doughnuts every hour with varieties such as brown butter, chocolate ganache, stuffed Nutella and s'mores. 2965 State St., Carlsbad. (760) 994-0458 or facebook.com/TheGoodsCbad/

Himitsu, La Jolla

From the owners of The Taco Stand and restaurateur Edo Kobayashi, who owns several Japanese restaurants in Mexico City, Himitsu opened in late August in La Jolla. The Japanese eatery offers sushi, nigiri and chef-inspired small plates designed by chef Mitsu Aihara, formerly of P.B.'s Sushi Ota. 1030 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. (619) 379-9611.