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## How to Sign Up for Frequent Deportation Miles



CALIFORNIA'S PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION VOWS to put a healthy liberal spin on upcoming mass deportations with lotteries and games to download while traveling.

By Dash N. Trudesneau

"It's exciting," stated representative Roland Wheel of the Federal Rail Administration (FRA) regarding the upcoming mass deportations anticipated in the upcoming Trump administration. "We certainly can expect full capacity in our passenger cars."

"The earlier mass deportations were before our time," stated FRA member Kay Siejones, "so we're looking toward new administration policy with an eye toward bringing technical innovation and creativity to the project."



TRAIN RIDES were used in the great Depression to deport thousands of migrant workers.

Administrators of California's Public Safety Commission (CPUC) were struggling for comment, huddled together in an upscale eatery near their San Francisco offices allegedly wiping tears and trying to keep steady in the light of the upcoming administration's goals regarding undocumented workers.

"Compliance with federal law is part of our administrative role," whispered CPUC board member Jindal Bells. "We're just not sure federal law will still exist in the near future."

A member of president-elect Trump's transition team who requested anonymity responded by saying, "My dad is a patriot. Federal law will still exist. But it will be interpreted in an entirely different way."

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## Silicon Valley Tech Pitches New Apps for Deportees

By Orda Fieldswego

"We want to be part of the solution," enthused one of the tech entrepreneurs angling for the white-hot venture capital readying itself for the upcoming MAGA landscape. "We want to make the world a better place."



IT WASN'T CRIMINAL to enter the US without documentation until 1929, under the "compromise" guided by white supremacist Senator Coleman Livingston Blease.

take on how tech apps could smooth the way for deportees.

"Or, in addition, apps to help smooth the way for the next administration to find and extract the undocumented," stated Todawoild. "Either way we'll exit with a solid unicorn."

Critics of Silicon Valley's dubious claim to code-based neutrality wonder where to turn since they've long ago stopped going to libraries or buying newspapers.

"The bookstores and cafes we used to organize in are long gone," noted one San Jose resident grousing about the "no laptop no service" sign at his local cafe. "Nobody can afford to run a small businesses which is obligated to compete with venture capital models. It's considered revolutionary these days to just exist in person."

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THE FIRST BURROWING OWL spotted this year confessed that he hadn't voted in years.

By Laughfton Alldeaway

The first burrowing owl spotted in Berkeley's Cesar Chavez Park confessed that he was not "politically engaged" enough to answer questions about being recently moved to the endangered species list.

"I haven't voted in years," he stated. "They keep moving my polling place, and I never got my voting materials this year. It's discouraging. I don't recognize the names I'm supposed to choose between."

The owl, who wouldn't give his name, defended the fact that he generally lives in a hole, pointing out that not only is this how his species traditionally lives but that it is not very different from the tech boom youngsters whose entire lives are virtual.

"They don't recognize me," commented the owl. "I'm just something in a virtual world interchangeable with some Disney character. It's difficult."

The owl professed to have no plans regarding where to winter, stating that Berkeley's liberals still can't be bothered to leash their dogs, making survival improbable.

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Suggested Slogan for the City of Berkeley

... all they will call you will be MAGA compliant...

# ASK THE EXPERTS



LENA DEETER knows the answers to everything forwards and backwards.

**Dear Lena, so KQED's arts and entertainment editors are anticipating "a rightward shift" in political art, or so they claim. What about the Pepper Spray Times? Are you getting into MAGA?**

Dear reader, in the biggest way. We plan to highlight the collaboration of Silicon Valley in the MAGA agenda, which we feel is not a turning point but an extension of its birth as part of the defense industry. Whoopee.

**Dear Lena, can I deport to some country other than my country of origin? Just for a bit of fun?**

Dear reader, I'm guessing yes. For a price. There's the rules, of course. And then there's the way things really work out. For a price.

**Dear Lena, isn't deporting all the undocumented labor going to raise prices? Aren't people going to freak out?**

Dear reader, you're forgetting that there's always a way to blame the Democrats, who will be pearl-clutching about the future and dodging blame for at least two years. But generally, yes. If you loved the \$6,000 a month rent, you'll love the \$175 salad.

**Dear Lena, what's with Representative Nancy Mace going nuts over trans people using bathrooms? It doesn't make any sense.**

Dear reader, nobody knows. We're not certain we understand her issue. But the Pepper Spray Times is starting a fund for her to help find her a nice, private restroom so that the rest of us are safe.

**Dear Lena, this is a weird moment. Everything seemed to go wrong in this election and it's only getting worse. Is there anything we can look forward to now. Anything at all.**

Dear reader, I personally look forward to a towering new stack of Trump tell-all books.

Ask Lena about excellent suppositions at [cdenny@jgc.org](mailto:cdenny@jgc.org).

# Study Shows Highly Paid Berkeley Police Have Really Low Rate of Solving Crimes

By May Kingspiritsbright

"It's a dream job," acknowledged one Berkeley police officer in response to a report from the San Francisco nonprofit Center for Juvenile Justice revealing that despite a huge budget and high pay, the Berkeley Police Department has a well below average rate of resolving crimes.

"It may have something to do with the institutionalization of poverty as crime," stated Anne Hevananaturning, professor of Sociology at a local university. "It's been done for centuries, of course, but it never resolves poverty, the foundation of which is racism, so the "crime" goes on interminably. It's almost like a jobs program for police and politicians."

The Berkeley's police's rate of solving crimes was half the California average according to the Center for Juvenile Justice's study, which was only recently released. But the Berkeley police

seemed enthusiastic about the findings.

"Between the overtime, the impotence of the new Police Accountability Board, and the low expectations, we're not rocking this boat," laughed one Berkeley police officer who requested anonymity.

"We're not only still chasing the poor from one end of town to the other, we now have Supreme Court backing for criminalizing all of them," he continued. "We have Trumpian immunity, and its a weight off our shoulders, I'll tell you."

"I used to worry about getting caught on video kicking around the poor," stated another anonymous officer breezing through a crime-ridden area of South Berkeley without stopping. "Now I know I have the Supreme Court's backing to clear the streets of anybody who doesn't fit in. And maybe the rest of the country, too."

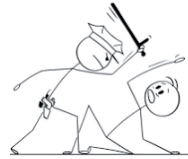
"We're completely free now," stated another Berkeley officer. "Any violation sustained by the new Police Accountability Board is booted by the Chief of Police or the City Attorney. For police accountability, it's a brand new day."



THE BERKELEY POLICE MAY NOT SOLVE MUCH CRIME with their embarrassing 10% clearance rate, but they've been really successful at getting the city to put a pause on police reform.



ON THE OTHER HAND, you meet the best people in jail.



IF YOU HAVEN'T had this experience, you're probably just the wrong color.



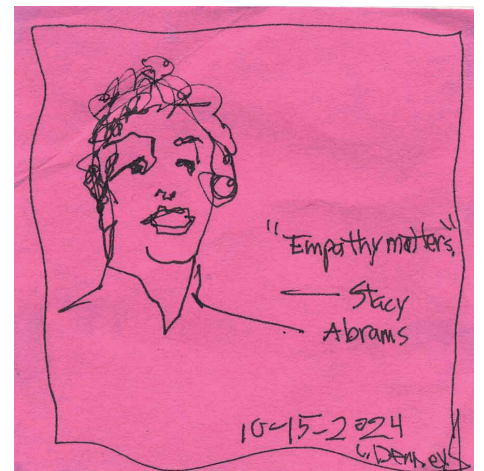
NO YOU ARE NOT DREAMING AND yes, this is happening all over again.

## Ten Questions They Didn't Get a Chance to Ask at the First Post-Election Trump/Biden Meeting

By Juan Horzopenleigh

1. "Are you effing kidding me."
2. "No, really. Are you effing kidding me."
3. "So, are we supposed to treat this moment as if it is really happening, or can we press restart or refresh or something."
4. "Can I sign up to live virtually for a few years and *can I choose my avatar.*"
5. "Do both of you have total immunity now or is it still safe to question one of you."
6. "Is this real or did I hit the wrong button."
7. "Is this really live right now or what."
8. "Didn't this happen before? Or is it me."
9. "What did I do wrong. What did I say."
10. "Is there some way out of here."

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# Living Virtually

A How-to Guide for the Coming Century



VIRTUAL REALITY MAY NOT entirely ameliorate the new political era but at least one can suffer along with others who choose to carry on in costume on worlds of their own design.

By Belzon Bobtailring

**Had it with reality? We know. And we can help!**

1. **Prepare your environment:** Find a quiet place for your cat, clear a safe space without sharp edges or obstacles, and put on your headset. You might want to silence your phone and turn off the stove.

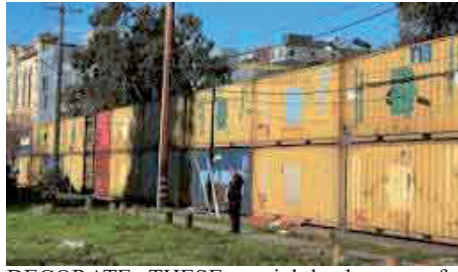
2. **Adjust the headset:** You may have trouble disconnecting from your virtual world, so make sure the headset is comfortable *before* you discover you've lost track of several days or weeks.

3. **Grab the controllers tightly and fasten the wrist straps securely:** If you lose the controllers you'll experience unnecessary disorientation trying to set up boundaries and launch your preferred application but finding yourself in unexpected virtual literary or planetary landscapes.

4. **Try not to panic:** Critter Death Squad, for instance, can create psychological challenges unsuitable for beginners. *Remember that however unsettling virtual reality is, actual reality is much, much worse. Have fun! But be safe.*

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# Knitting Instructions for a Holiday Shipping Container Cozy



DECORATE THESE unsightly boxcars for the holidays by joining the local yarn-bombing group to make a giant shipping container cozy.

By Don Wenow Argay-Apparel

## MATERIALS

700,000 cakes of Plotulopi by Istex (100% unspun Icelandic wool, 928 thousand yards colourway Ivory Beige.

Needles: US 85 (35mm) - 16" Long - 1 Pair  
Notions: Stitch markers, stitch holders.

## DIRECTIONS

### FRONT HEM RIBBING

With US 85 needles and the Long-Tail Cast-On Method or method of choice, cast on 12, 860,000 stitches. Start working the hem ribbing flat. Always slip the last stitch purlwise to achieve a neat edge.

Next row(RS): \*K1, p1\*, repeat \*-\* to two stitches before end, k1, slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front.

Next row(WS): \*K1,p1\*,repeat \*-\* to 2 stitches before end, k1, slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front.

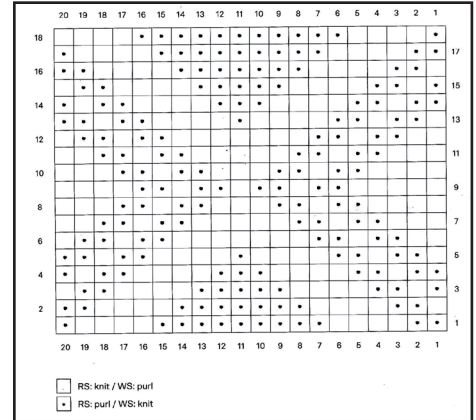
Continue in established 1 x 1 Ribbing for 4 feet being careful of police observers.

### BACK HEM RIBBING

Work as Front Hem Ribbing but continue to work in 1 x 1 Ribbing for 4 feet.

### BODY

Join the two pieces to work in the round. You will need a large, empty room to manage the yarn's considerable bulk. Place a marker to



THE BASIC PATTERN for your shipping container cozy is a simple diamond pattern created with knit and purl stitches.

mark the side. Join in the round being careful not to twist stitches and knit across the back stitches. You should have 96 feet of working yarn on your circular needles.

Begin to work from the chart (above). Repeat the chart as needed until 16-18 feet high.

### COZY HAT OR TOP

Knit 2, \*knit 2 together, k1\* repeat until last 2 stitches. Continue until 400 stitches remain and then bind off.

Pick up 400 stitches and pull tightly together to creat top of cozy. Use leftover yard to make a puffy pom pom ball on top of cozy.

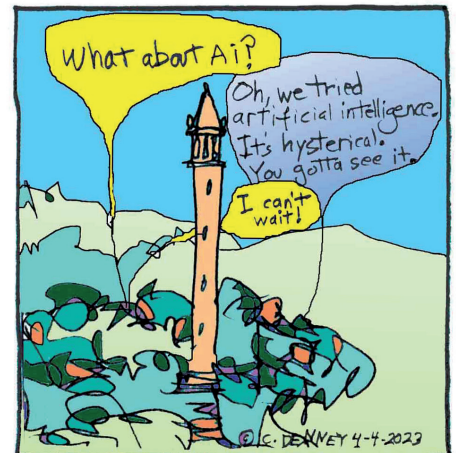
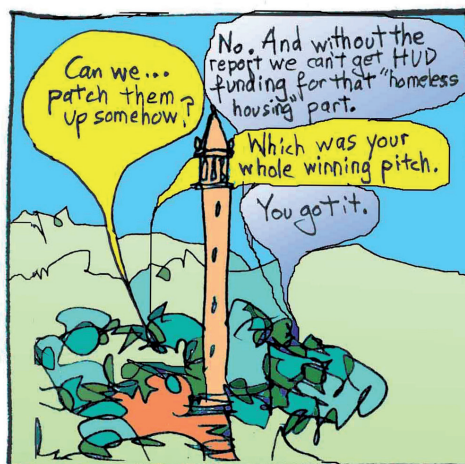
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YOUR HOLIDAY SHIPPING CONTAINER COZY is worth all the effort you put into it and will delight the entire neighborhood.

## We Can't Draw Comics

by Franz Toast





# SF Chronicle Pearl-clutches Over SLAPP Against Tech Journalist

Whose Ox You Gore Makes All the Difference!

By Yul Log

The San Francisco Chronicle's recent Open Forum's heavy breathing over a Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation (SLAPP) against journalist Jack Poulson,



PENILESS ACTIVISTS continue to critique UC's stranglehold on its host town with non-violence, humor, music, and art.

executive editor of the nonprofit Tech Inquiry, struck many local civil rights advocates as somewhat lopsided given the Chronicle editorial board's silence on the University of California's millions of expenditures using public education funding to silence critics of People's Park projects.

"Paulson's accurate journalism deserves protection," commented one local civil rights attorney, "but UC went much further than Blackman's \$25 million suit did by using millions in public education fund-

ing. Where is the Chronicle's voice while UC continues to sue penniless activists?"

The Chronicle's editors conceded UC's use of public money for its SLAPP is unique in the history of SLAPPs, and led to the creation of anti-SLAPP protections, but defended its selectivity.

"Tech is different," stated Chronicle editor Ariel Winner, noting that the only money left in the Bay Area now is venture capital. "We appreciate that some people are having difficulty learning to navigate the morality-free tech landscape. Our selectivity may seem opportunistic to some, but we hope others consider our new moral flexibility a performative public service."

One of the UC SLAPP victims who was sued for writing a song called "See You in Santa Rita" was amused.



"In a weird way it's a compliment," she smiled. "You know you're effective."

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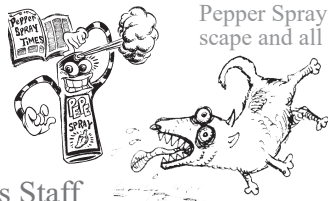
Next Issue: pursing and pouting one's lips with celebrities!

## I Want My Present Now

by Juan Nathan Undergod



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