

County's right call

Re "County forgoes bridge rebuild" (Downstroke, Oct. 24):

I was happy to see the article noting that the Board of Supervisors declined the rebuild of the Honey Run Bridge with county funds in favor of more pressing issues in support of Paradise.

From my point of view, as sad as the utter destruction of the bridge was, it cannot be rebuilt as a historic bridge. It is, unfortunately, gone.

The money that I understand has been raised to rebuild it would be better spent on Paradise institutions in need of support. The library, the museums, schools and park structures all need help. Perhaps a modest monument in memory of Honey Run Bridge, in the small park supported by the Honey Run Covered Bridge Association—and perhaps dedicated to the victims of the Camp Fire—would also be good.

Every person and community grieves in their own way for loss,

but let's not try to create "old."

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Don't apologize

Re "Sorry, Mitt Romney" (Second & Flume, by Melissa Daugherty, Oct. 24):

Are we now in the place where we should apologize to Mitt Romney, who made his money picking the bones of companies he raided, because he can admit to misgivings about the most corrupt president in our history?

The policies toward women's reproductive rights that Romney could have only quietly wished for are now quickly being enacted by Trump's pick for vice president. (Soon to be president?!)

Republicans are saying the new normal is our president blackmailing the president of Ukraine, withholding congressional-allocated taxpayer money until he manufactures "dirt" on a Trump political opponent.

If Mitt Romney is the Republican with integrity, we are in big trouble. If you want integrity, look no further than Elijah Cummings, and please don't apologize to any Republican for impugning theirs.

Rich Meyers
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Not exactly free passes

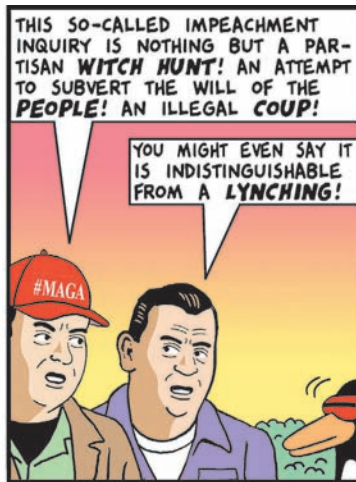
Re "Law enforcement's deadly free pass must end" (Guest comment, by Ronald Angle, Oct. 24):

Mr. Angle believes that like surgeons, cops need more training. Wikipedia reports cops have killed 118 people so far this year. Medical error kills over 200,000 per year.

His examples of cops killing with a "free pass" are Texas officers Amber Guyger and Aaron Dean. Officer Guyger was found guilty of murder and sentenced to 10 years in prison. Officer Dean has been fired and awaits trial for murder. No "free pass."

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