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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

'WE CAN FIX IT TOGETHER'



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Balloons fall on Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton and running mate Tim Kaine on Thursday after she made her case for election to the White House, citing a steady hand, a long history of public service and a deep knowledge of U.S. government.

Philadelphia: Clinton accepts nomination for presidency, vows unity for fractured nation

Some view enduring dissent by Sanders' backers through racial lens. **PAGE A7**

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti said presidential nominee Hillary Clinton would solve the "urgent problems" of America's cities if elected. **PAGE A7**

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PHILADELPHIA » After she spent an hour applying for the biggest executive job in the world, the glass ceiling broke and the balloons descended on Hillary Clinton.

They fell over Ava McElmurray, a 6-year-old from New York. They fluttered at the feet of 12-year-old Ada Kaine Eveyln-Jack, sitting with her mother amid the California delegation.

Their mothers wanted them to be here for the Democratic National Convention on Thursday, to feel the full weight of history — and to hear as Clinton offered a detailed, sometimes playful contrast to Donald Trump's pledge to lift the country by force of personality.

"Americans don't say 'I alone can fix it,'" Clinton said, quoting Trump's speech. "They say, 'We can fix it together!'"

Chinyere Nnodim-Jack and her daughter. **CLINTON** » **PAGE 6**



Chelsea Clinton and former President Bill Clinton applaud as Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton speaks during the final day of the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

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SOUTH EL MONTE

Mayor admits to bribery scheme

Aguinaga agrees to plead guilty; about \$45K taken

By Brian Day and Christopher Yee
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South El Monte Mayor Luis Aguinaga agreed to plead guilty to a federal bribery charge this week over a seven-year scheme in which he regularly collected cash payments from a city contractor, officials said Thursday.



In his plea agreement, the mayor admitted to taking bribes every two to three weeks from a contractor doing business with the city, U.S. Attorney's Office spokesman Thom Mrozek said in a written statement.

"The payments were rewards in connection with the approval of city contracts for the contractor," Mrozek said.

The bribes, which were initially **MAYOR** » **PAGE 8**

MONTEBELLO

Plan to ask voters to raise taxes on hold

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MONTEBELLO » A proposal to ask voters to approve an increase in the sales tax or a new utility users tax in November appears to be dead — following the City Council's decision Wednesday to put off a vote.

The council still has until Aug. 12 to put the tax on the ballot but it needs a unanimous vote to declare a financial "emergency" in order to put it on any ballot other than a regular City Council election. Those are held in November of odd years.

On Thursday, Councilman Bill Molinari said he won't vote to declare such an emergency, saying he's concerned about how it **TAXES** » **PAGE 8**

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Jimmy Walker opens with 65 at Baltusrol

He came to life Thursday as putts dropped, and he wound up leading a major for the first time in his career. **SPORTS**



WASHINGTON INTERN

Chandra Levy murder conviction to be tossed

Prosecutors in the 2001 killing of the Modesto woman say they are no longer sure Ingmar Guandique did it. **PAGE A11**

BURGLARIES

Window-smashing thief hits five area businesses

Five restaurants, two in La Habra and three in Whittier, were burglarized, apparently by the same thief, police said. **PAGE A3**

MLB

Rookie Toles answers Dodgers' need for speed

Andrew Toles has been with the team only three weeks, but he's already proving an explosive baserunner. **SPORTS**

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