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Southern California's summer is ending cloudy, cool and damp

Associated Press

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Showers and drizzle fell around the region Thursday, and the National Weather Service said some locations received up to a quarter-inch of rain but most other areas ranged from a trace to a few hundredths of an inch.

It's the result of a cold, upper-level trough dropping south along the West Coast.

Clearing should follow, along with gusty winds, especially in the mountains and deserts.

The autumn equinox occurs at 1:02 p.m. Friday.

Next week should see a warm-up in Southern California with the onset of seasonal Santa Ana winds, the warm and dry gusts that blow from the interior and out to sea and often fan the worst of Southern California's wildfires.

A season outlook issued by the National Interagency Fire Center predicts a near-normal number of Santa Ana wind days through November.

Large fire potential will be above normal because of the abundance of grass spawned by last winter's heavy rains, the center

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Local support helps those on the streets find a home

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Editor's Note: The following is part of an ongoing series on homelessness in Santa Monica. The Daily Press agreed to withhold Natasha's full name due to concerns for her ongoing wellbeing.

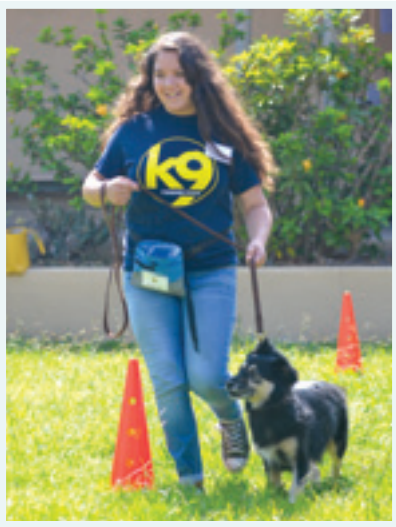
Natasha spent her teen years in Santa Monica before moving to Oxnard. Once there a combination of family problems and alcohol addiction resulted in her living on the streets for almost six years.

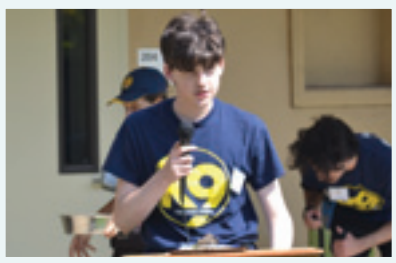
She eventually returned to Santa Monica with the help of a friend and spent another three years living in parking lots or alleys. She credits a religious awakening for her eventual decision to seek help but there was no miracle of the self-writing form, no one turned her wine into water.

However, there was an internal strength to pursue solutions and a continuum of services guiding her from the street to housing to a job alongside a web of advocates available to help.

"I know there's a lot more help out here because when I was in Oxnard, I didn't get the help I needed. They don't really have services out there for homelessness, I would shower in gas stations," she said. "I knew a lot of people out there but nobody helped me out there … Here, the person I know is always willing to take me in, help me out, get me cleaned up and is encouraging me to do better."

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K-9 GRADUATION

Matthew Hall

Six students at Olympic High School completed the K-9 Connection program this week. Students learn to train shelter dogs that are then available for adoption at local shelters. The final event includes speeches by the students and a skills display by their dogs. Completing the course were Isabella Rivas, Zaire Martin Thomas, Alexander Gulvin, Steven Sheehy, Victor Ramos and Gabriel Castillo.

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Crafty Kids: Autumn Leaves

Make fun fall creations with real and paper leaves. If you can, collect some leaves from home to share with others. Ages 2-10. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Citizenship Classes

An ongoing series of classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Instructors help students complete and submit their application, and prepare them to pass the official review. Enrollment is through the SMMUSD Adult Center (310) 664-6222, ext. 76203. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 23

Bazaar at St. Monica

3 – 7 p.m. St. Monica Catholic Church, 725 California Ave. Quilt raffle, baby quilts, sweaters, booties, cloth books, fall and holiday items and more.

Movie: Beauty and the Beast (2017)

Emma Watson and Dan Stevens star in Disney's lush and romantic live action update of their animated classic about Belle, an intelligent, book-smart heroine, who winds up trapped in the home of a sad and lonely beast. (129 min.) Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd, 2:30 – 4:45 p.m.

Interviewing Success with Warren Mullisen

Interviewing expert Warren Mullisen shares tips and tricks for convincing potential employers that you're the right person for the job! He covers pre-interview preparation, strategies for answering common interview questions, and shows you an interview close that will set you apart from every other candidate. 2 – 3:30 p.m. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Creating a Repeating Pattern with Shannon Freshwater

Want to create a pattern that can be printed as fabric or wallpaper? Studio resident Shannon Freshwater will teach the basics of creating a repeating pattern by hand. Square and half drop repeats will be explained as participants draw their own repeating pattern. Online resources such as Spoonflower will be discussed. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., 1450 Ocean. Cost: $5
Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/59083 or call 310-458-2239.

Animal Adoption Fair

Make dog toys, learn about adopting a shelter pet, and donate supplies to the animal shelter. See flyer for details. Presented by the Library Teen Advisory Council and the Santa Monica Animal Shelter. All Ages. 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Chili Roast!

It's late summer and the chilies are ready for harvest! Join us for a southwest style chili roast at the Pico farmers market located in Virginia Avenue Park. Take these delicious chilies home and whip up something tasty or freeze them to use later. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Ave.

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Despair rises for relatives of the missing in Mexico quake

BY MARIA VERZA & PETER ORSI
Associated Press

As painstaking attempts to reach survivors in quake-ravaged buildings across Mexico City stretched into a third day Thursday, desperation mounted among loved ones who earlier had high hopes for quick rescues and some complained they were being kept in the dark about search efforts.

And what many had clung to as the unlikely triumph of life over death was revealed to be a case of some very high-profile misinformation: A top navy official announced there were no missing children at a collapsed Mexico City school where the purported plight of a girl trapped alive in the rubble had captivated people across the nation and abroad.

President Enrique Pena Nieto's office raised the death toll from Tuesday's magnitude 7.1 earthquake to 273, including 137 in the capital. In a statement, it said there were also 73 deaths in Morelos state, 43 in Puebla, 13 in the State of Mexico, six in Guerrero and one in Oaxaca.

More than 2,000 were injured and more than 50 people rescued in Mexico City alone, including two women and a man pulled alive from the wreckage of a building in the city's center Wednesday night.

Still, frustration was growing as the rescue effort stretched into Day 3.

Outside a collapsed office building in the trendy Roma Norte district, a list of those rescued was strung between two trees. Relatives of the missing compared it against their own list of those who were in the building when the quake struck — more than two dozen names — kept in a spiral notebook.

Patricia Fernandez's 27-year-old nephew, Ivan Colin Fernandez, worked as an accountant in the seven-story building, which pancaked to the ground taking part of the building next door with it.

She said the last time the family got an update was late yesterday, when officials said about 14 people were believed to be alive inside. Three people have been rescued from the building since the quake.

"They should keep us informed," Fernandez said as her sister, the man's mother, wept into her black fleece sweater. "Because I think what kills us most is the desperation of not knowing anything."

Referring to rumors that authorities intend to bring in heavy machinery that could risk bringing buildings down on anyone still alive inside, Fernandez said: "That seems unjust to us because there are still people alive inside and that's not OK."

"I think they should wait until they take the last one out," she said.

Seeking to dispel the rumors, National Civil Protection chief Luis Felipe Puente tweeted that heavy machinery "is NOT being used" in search-and-rescue efforts.

"The (hashtag)Search and Rescue is not being suspended anywhere it is believed that trapped people exist," Puente said in a separate tweet.

Since early Wednesday, the eyes of the nation had been focused on the Enrique Rebsaman school in southern Mexico City, where rescuers told reporters a girl, identified only as Frida Sofia, had signaled she was alive deep in the rubble by wiggling her fingers in response to rescuers' shouts.

Numerous rescuers at the school site spoke of the girl, with some saying she had reported several other children alive in the same space, and the child became a symbol of hope amid a disaster that has shocked the country. But with TV cameras and journalists kept a block away from the precarious site, the only images broadcast live around-the-clock of the purported rescue showed long-distance shots of rescuers digging and no images of a child.

As the rescue effort continued into Thursday, no family members came forward to identify the girl, and some officials had begun to say the identity of the person trapped in the rubble was not clear.

Then on Thursday afternoon, Navy Assistant Secretary Enrique Sarmiento announced that while there were blood traces and other signs suggesting someone could be alive beneath the school, all its children had been accounted for.

"We have done an accounting with school officials and we are certain that all the children either died, unfortunately, are in hospitals or are safe at their homes," Sarmiento said.

He said 11 children had been rescued and 19 had died, along with six adults, including a school employee whose body was recovered about 5 a.m. Thursday.

"We want to emphasize that we have no knowledge about the report that emerged with the name of a girl," Sarmiento added. "We do not believe, we are sure, it was not a reality."

Alfredo Padilla, a volunteer rescuer at the school, downplayed the importance of the revelation that there was no trapped child.

"It was a confusion," Padilla said. "The important thing is there are signs of life and we are working on that."

Earlier in the day, rescuers removed dirt bucketful by bucketful and passed a scanner over the rubble every hour or so to search for heat signatures that could indicate trapped survivors. Shortly before dawn the pile shuddered ominously, prompting those working atop it to evacuate.

"With the shaking there has been, it is very unstable and taking any decision is dangerous," said Vladimir Navarro, a university employee who was exhausted after working all night.

The shaky wreckage was reinforced with massive iron beams, each requiring a dozen or more men to carry and lift into place. Stretchers were brought to the edge of the building, and a large crane was also on site.

Lourdes Huerta, 10, was on an upper floor of a part of the school that did not collapse and returned to the site Thursday with her mother as the rescue was under way.

When the quake struck, "it was like we were bouncing up and down," Huerta said, nervously fingering a stuffed animal. "When I left the classroom the whole school was moving and we couldn't go downstairs, so we went back into the classroom and huddled up against the walls."

She said she was terrified when a wall collapsed, but said if they had tried the stairs "we would have ended up being thrown about."

Her mother, Lourdes Prieto, said the school's director and many of its teachers were among the injured, complicating efforts to produce a reliable list of students. So parents were organizing among themselves to come up with one.

"What we need above all is for a census to be taken of those of us who are alive," said Prieto, torn between gratitude that her two children had survived and anguish over the missing and the dead.

Associated Press writer Mark Stevenson and videojournalist Alexis Triboulard contributed to this report from Mexico City.

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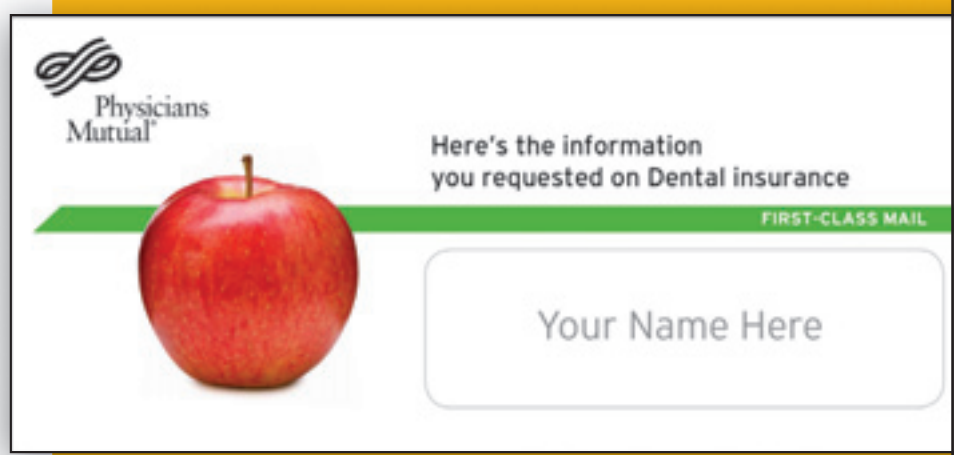


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Talk Loudly and Carry a Big Shtick

NOT LONG AGO I READ VICE-PRESIDENT Mike Pence thinks Donald Trump is like Teddy Roosevelt. After I spit out my coffee I decided to debunk that idiocy. But first, a word about Trump's recent and repulsive video tweet where he hits Hillary in the back with a golf ball and knocks her down. (Ironically, the worst offender of Melania's anti cyber bullying campaign is her husband!)

And then there was Trump's bombastic and incoherent speech at the U.N. on Tuesday. Once again, I spit out my coffee. Apparently, I can't watch Trump while enjoying a beverage, unless I'm wearing a bib.

Reaction at the U.N. to Trump's speech went from muted to stone-faced. I suppose when you call a world organization "incompetent" and "worthless" the members have a tendency to take it personally.

Chief of Staff General Kelly appeared to be looking for a hole to disappear into and I thought Melania was about to weep. (Whenever I see her secret service, I think to myself it takes a lot of people to keep Melania from running away.)

One wonders how world leaders view Trump's maturity or lack thereof. At best the golf ball tweet was juvenile, at worst it's severe misogyny. That said, 33% of America loves Trump. After eight tumultuous months and scandals everywhere, the question that haunts me, is why?

Ironically, 33% is the percentage that put Hitler in office. BUT save your emails, I'm not comparing Trump to Hitler. I am, however, comparing him to Mussolini whom he has affectionately quoted in the past. Actually, the two look so imperiously alike it's spooky.

Sounding more like a schoolyard bully at the U.N. than the leader of the free world Trump mockingly called Kim Jung-Un "Rocket Man." Can you imagine Ike doing that? Or Reagan? Of course not. They were adults.

Trump also called terrorists "losers," talked of the total annihilation of N. Korea and withdrawing from the Iran nuclear deal. Why would anyone negotiate with Trump when his word is so thoroughly worthless? Ask the Trump U students he defrauded out of $25 million. As for Trump's robotic speaking style, nobody is going to confuse him with JFK or Churchill.

Among the 66% who aren't fond of Trump is David Letterman. "If the guy was running a Dairy Queen, he'd be gone," Letterman said, "but let's just stop whining about what a goon he is and figure out a way to put him in a home."

Famed author, humorist and social commentator Fran Lebowitz noted that New Yorkers voted 9 to 1 against Trump. Why? "Because we know him. He's a Three Card Monte dealer." She describes his presidency as "unbearable."

Pulitzer prize-winning N.Y. Times columnist Bret Stephens, a conservative, says "Trump's isn't a presidency it's a neuroses. Hillary would have been a survivable event, I'm not so sure about Trump."

I've seriously digressed from the Mike Pence comparison of Roosevelt and Trump, so here goes. To begin, TR, at 42, was the youngest person to become president. At 70, Trump was the oldest elected president in history. (Also the orangest.)

TR's other jobs were: cattle rancher, deputy sheriff, historian, naturalist, explorer, police commissioner, assistant Secretary of the Navy, governor of New York, war hero, lawyer and author of 35 books. In his lifetime, it's doubtful Trump has read 35 books. (Tony Schwartz, the real author of "Art of the Deal" thinks it's doubtful he's read three.)

TR was a Rough Rider in 1898, and led the charge up San Juan Hill in the Spanish-American War. During Vietnam, Trump got five deferments, including a medical one for a bone spur. (So painful he couldn't remember which foot!) Such was his wild sex life, Trump bragged shamelessly, "My personal Vietnam was avoiding sexually transmitted diseases."

As the first conservationist president, TR established five new national parks. During his administration, 42 million acres were set aside as national forests, wildlife refuges, and areas of special interest (including the Grand Canyon). Trump longs to open national parks to commercial interests and, until the White House, he lived in a hermetically sealed tower. He's not big on the environment as he believes climate change is a Chinese hoax.

While TR was responsible for the Panama Canal, Trump talks about a wall Mexico is going to pay for after we pay for it first. (Huh?) TR was the first president to host a black man at a White House dinner. For his part, Trump thought Frederick Douglas was still alive. TR believed in physical fitness, Trump eats Taco Bowls and buckets of KFC. TR was the first American to win a Nobel Prize for Peace while Trump talks glowingly about fire and fury "like the world has never seen before."

Lastly, TR is on Mount Rushmore. After Trump is impeached, maybe he will visit Mount Rushmore.

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By Rick Cole, Santa Monica City Manager Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Tackling social challenges together

BYSTANDERS, NEIGHBORS AND LOCAL residents were all horrified by the events that unfolded last month in front of their eyes on Main Street—or through the media, including local television and Twitter.

The criminal investigation is unfolding, but we know this: Christopher Davis was charged with fatally gunning down an acquaintance after an argument on the well-travelled Main Street sidewalk near Strand. A few moments later, the suspect opened fire on responding officers and was wounded by return gunfire near Hotchkiss Park, a few blocks away from the first shooting.

This is a frightening occurrence no matter where it happens—and in today's society it is possible that it could happen anywhere. But Santa Monica residents worry that the feeling that they live in a safe community may be slipping away, punctuated by incidents of violence like this one, the brutal home invasion robberies north of Montana and the recent brawl at the McDonald's near the Pier which was captured and widely distributed on video.

Crime is up. That's true here in Santa Monica and throughout much of California. In general, while thefts and other property crimes are on the rise, the overall level of crime, particularly violent crime, are still near historic lows that haven't been seen since the Fifties.

None of that is comforting to anyone who has been a victim, witnessed a crime or heard about a crime near their home or business. Nor is it comforting to any of us seeing far more people on our streets recently engaging in various anti-social behaviors or exhibiting disturbing outward signs of mental illness. Government's number one job is the safety and security of residents—and with trust in government eroded across the board, our fragile sense of security is fraying as well.

What is to be done?

Clearly, ignoring what's happening is indefensible. We can hire more cops (and Santa Monica has done that in recent years). We can invest more money, more technology and more brainpower in crime prevention strategies and educational and social improvements (which Santa Monica has also done and will continue to do). As Californians, we can be a little more skeptical about voting for ballot propositions and laws that sound appealing but may come with unanticipated consequences. As Americans, we can tackle the intractable problem of easily accessible guns in our society.

We are also at an important inflection point for the Santa Monica Police Department. Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks has been a standout pioneer in building a 21st Century Police Department. Over the next several months, we will be recruiting for her successor. Given the heightened level of scrutiny and changing expectations for law enforcement, the next chief will chart the course for how Santa Monica builds on our commitment to community policing, constitutional policing and equitable policing.

We also need to address the increasing presence in our midst of desperate people without jobs, without homes and without hope. Although our Police Department is called upon daily to address homeless related criminal activity, it's a mistake to conflate crime and homelessness. Homeless individuals are more likely to be victims of crimes than perpetrators. Yet in a nation where living out on the streets is becoming depressingly common, it's disturbing, but unfortunately not surprising that homeless people are increasingly a focus of community fear and frustration.

Bundling together the rise in crime, the erosion of affordable housing and the increase in homelessness creates an atmosphere of despair, stereotyping and demands for simplistic solutions. We are better served by tackling each and all of these social challenges, recognizing their connections, but not lumping them together.

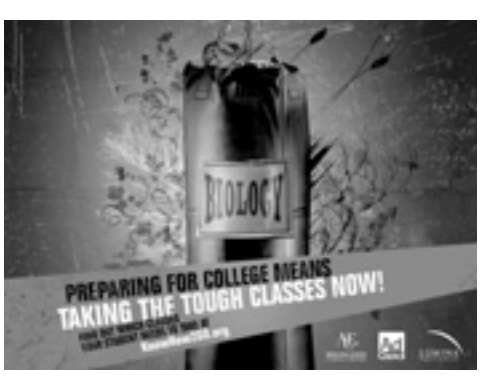
There are always opportunists of one sort or another ready to spring forward with easy answers that fit their ideological agenda. There are also always opportunists eager to pin blame on some individual or group in order to advance their own special interests. Fear is a famously easy emotion to exploit.

Our history teaches us these lessons. When economic conditions have turned dark, Californians have sometimes turned against ethnic minorities or immigrants, blaming them for unemployment and crime. When crime peaked thirty years ago, we raced to build prisons and impose severe sentences—only to later conclude that we went too far in relying on incarceration as a panacea. Fear breeds a craving for simple, urgent answers, which seldom turn out to be wise or sustainable solutions.

Santa Monica remains a very safe community for most people, most of the time. But we cannot accept any deterioration in that fragile sense of security.

Over the next several months, we will be convening a series of community conversations about crime, community policing, homelessness and the selection of our next Police Chief. We will be inviting both existing community organizations and neighborhoods to host these discussions, but also seeking volunteers who will open up their homes, condos and apartments to their neighbors and friends. Our Mayor, Councilmembers, Santa Monica Police Department, City staff, leaders and I will be participating —to listen, to inform, to share and to confer with you on what the City is already doing, what more we plan to do and what everyone in the community can partner on to work together to tackle these challenges.

I welcome your feedback and invite you to help host one of these discussions in your home, your house of worship, your organization or your local park, library or fire station. You can contact me at rick.cole@smgov.net.





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WEATHER

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said.

Elsewhere, snow fell in the Sierra Nevada on the last day of summer, giving the towering mountain range shared by California and Nevada a wintry look in September and making travel hazardous.

Sixteen vehicles crashed on Interstate 80 as snow and hail fell Thursday, killing a man driving a pickup truck and causing minor injuries to a few other people, said California Highway Patrol Officer Chris Nave.

Snow dusted peaks in Yosemite National Park and temporarily closed Tioga Pass road, the soaring eastern entry to the park that typically doesn't become impassable until mid-November.

Several inches of snow were expected at elevations of at least 6,000 feet in the northern Sierra, said National Weather Service forecaster Hanna Chandler in Sacramento.

"The last days of summer," the Placer County Sheriff's Office wryly tweeted in a post showing snow falling on patrol vehicles at its Lake Tahoe station.

Sugar Bowl, a ski resort perched atop Donner Summit, received a good snow dusting that's getting skiers excited about the upcoming ski season, said resort spokesman Jon Slaughter.

"We've got people calling about season passes and checking our webcams to take a look at the first snow," Slaughter said.

Slaughter, however, didn't anticipate the storm having much of an impact on how early the resort can open because the snow will likely melt.

But the first snow of the season came just four months after Sugar Bowl's last ski season ended with nearly 800 inches of snowfall, part of a very wet winter that gave California at least a temporary respite from years of drought that left the Sierra with scant snowcaps.

At Oroville Dam, where crews are rushing to repair two badly damaged spillways before California's winter rainy season starts in earnest, dam operators were keeping an eye on forecasts.

"We're definitely tracking the weather but it has had no impact and we don't expect it to," said Erin Mellon, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Water Resources.

The taste of winter was not expected to last long.

"Fall is a big transition period so we have these big dips in temperature and then we go higher," said Chandler, the forecaster. "It's kind of a weather rollercoaster."

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HOMELESS

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That encouragement and her rededication to religion prompted her to renounce alcohol and her fledgling sobriety helped her qualify for aid at The People Concern (formed when OPCC and Lamp Community merged).

"I would get up early in the morning homeless, sober, shakes, still not feeling good because I was really sober but I'd still get up and go to that meeting in the morning, have coffee, go to (The People Concern), meet with my therapist and try to get housed," she said.

She enrolled in a program that provided interim housing from The People Concern and accompanying services.

"It's just been a wonderful experience here, I have a lot of support here. The people here, the women that are also trying to get support here are all going through the same thing so we can talk about it," she said.

Natasha said the staff helped provide a foundation from which she could build her new life.

"They are always willing to sit down and talk if you're having a bad day, because there were times when I was having a bad day and all the staff here are super friendly and understanding and they're not judgmental about where you come from and they're really understanding and they go out of their way to try to make things easier for us, to not make it hard or stressful for us."

Some of the staff connected her with the next step in her journey, Santa Monica's Homeless Court. The specialized judicial system helps formerly homeless individuals clear their outstanding tickets and therefore qualify for additional aid programs. The program has strict requirements including attendance to treatment programs if necessary and the caseworkers help participants stay on track with the many appointments required from multiple aid agencies.

She said the required structure helped her plan for the future and as importantly, it further developed her support network.

"It helped a lot going to those meetings, it's nice to hear other people's stories and hear you're not alone," she said.

At the same time, Natasha qualified for a Section 8 voucher and was able to secure her own apartment.

"I went from sleeping in alleys to an apartment and I'm just really grateful for that," she said.

Completing Homeless Court expunged her record and she said that will help with her current attempts to secure a job. Natasha is working with Chrysalis to develop her employment readiness skills.

She has taken practice interview lessons at the agency, is utilizing their online resources to send out daily applications and has received coaching in professional behavior, attire and resume building.

She's hoping to find a job in the customer service field because she enjoys helping other people and she's been practicing her skills by telling her still homeless friends about the services available and how it's helped her.

"I see a lot of people that I used to be on the streets with," she said. "I told them where I was and people have come back and they're trying to get something going on too."

Now housed and approaching the one year anniversary of her sobriety, Natasha wants to continue her progress and for those in need to know help is available.

"I want people to know that there is hope out there no matter what situation," she said. "Not to give up."

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **65.7°**

FRIDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Minimal NW swell and SSW swell

SATURDAY – **FLAT** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high
Minimal mix of NW swell and Southerly swell



City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT FOR 2016 PROGRAM YEAR

Notice is hereby given that the City of Santa Monica has developed the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2016 Program Year. The CAPER is submitted annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and provides a status report on how the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME grant funded projects and activities are meeting the City's overall housing and community development needs as specified in the Consolidated Plan (2015-19) and Action Plan (2016-17), adopted by City Council in May 2016 and submitted to HUD. The City is seeking community comments on this report.

Copies of the CAPER are now available to the public for a 15-day community review period ending September 27, 2017. Copies are available at City Hall (Room 212) and on the web at www.smgov.net/hsd, or you may contact the Human Services Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401, telephone (310) 458-8701; TDD (310) 458-8696. Please send your written comments to Marc Amaral at the above address or via email at humanservices@smgov.net by September 27, 2017.

CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 ABOUT 11:34 P.M.

Officers responded to an apartment complex in the 2900 block of 11th Street regarding a prowler there now. The reporting party indicated the suspect broke her patio window and was trying to get into her residence. Officers arrived and located the suspect standing in the patio. The suspect was detained for an investigation. Officers spoke to the victim and determined the suspect broke the window and the victim confronted the suspect. The suspect stated she was "being followed". The victim was desirous of prosecution. Brianna Lynne Polk, 35, from Bradneton, FL was arrested for vandalism and prowling. Bail was set at $20,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 381 calls for service on Sept. 20.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Overdose 1100 block Yale 1:20 a.m.
Petty theft 1800 block Wilshire 1:32 a.m.
Petty theft 100 block Ocean Park 3:16 a.m.
Encampment 1300 block 3rd Street Prom 5:02 a.m.
Encampment 500 block California 5:21 a.m.
Battery 1600 block Santa Monica 5:44 a.m.
Battery 1500 block 2nd 6:42 a.m.
Person down Ocean / Colorado 7:03 a.m.
Drunk driving 1900 block Main 7:25 a.m.
Drunk driving 800 block Ocean 7:45 a.m.
Arson 1600 block Appian 7:52 a.m.
Hit and run 26th / Arizona 8:04 a.m.
Person down 2400 block Wilshire 8:06 a.m.
Person down 21st / Pico 8:18 a.m.
Encampment 1300 block Harvard 8:26 a.m.
Identity theft 2600 block 33rd 8:55 a.m.
Burglary 1700 block Ocean 9:02 a.m.
Drunk driving 25th / Pico 9:05 a.m.
Loitering 1500 block San Vicente 9:06 a.m.
Assault 1100 block Wilshire 9:07 a.m.
Death investigation 500 block Pico 9:07 a.m.
Smoking violation 2300 block 4th 9:23 a.m.
Hit and run Yale / Santa Monica 9:26 a.m.
Lewd activity Franklin / Lipton 9:37 a.m.
Encampment Centinela / Interstate 10 9:43 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 1900 block 6th 9:53 a.m.
Grand theft 1600 block Bryn Mawr 10:04 a.m.
Traffic collision 12th / Broadway 10:05 a.m.
Encampment Ocean / California Incline 10:08 a.m.
Speeding Lincoln / Santa Monica 10:09 a.m.
Lewd activity 6th / Montana 10:16 a.m.
Hit and run 1000 block California 10:49 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 900 block 2nd 11:35 a.m.
Battery 700 block Broadway 11:40 a.m.
Indecent exposure 200 block Santa Monica 12:02 p.m.
Battery 2200 block Colorado 12:24 p.m.
Theft of recyclables 2700 block Ocean Park 12:50 p.m.
Battery 2900 block 31st 12:57 p.m.
Fraud 300 block Olympic 12:59 p.m.
Vandalism 1400 block 5th 1:00 p.m.
Petty theft 1100 block Lincoln 1:16 p.m.
Auto burglary 1100 block 19th 1:17 p.m.
Petty theft 1600 block Santa Monica 2:07 p.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 1500 block 7th 2:08 p.m.
Assault w/deadly weapon 2900 block Ocean Park 2:28 p.m.
Traffic hazard 2500 block Lincoln 2:40 p.m.
Auto burglary 1100 block 19th 2:41 p.m.
Encampment 2500 block Main 2:58 p.m.
Auto burglary 1500 block 4th 3:10 p.m.
Shots fired 1900 block Pico 3:14 p.m.
Burglary 2000 block 21st 3:24 p.m.
Petty theft 200 block Santa Monica 3:34 p.m.
Petty theft 100 block Santa Monica Pl 3:40 p.m.
Drunk driving 24th / San Vicente 4:55 p.m.
Petty theft 1400 block Ocean 4:55 p.m.
Petty theft 2200 block Wilshire 5:01 p.m.
Speeding Stewart / Olympic 5:01 p.m.
Petty theft 1400 block Ocean 5:45 p.m.
Traffic collision Stewart / Exposition 5:48 p.m.
Battery 2900 block 31st 5:51 p.m.
Auto burglary 1800 block 17th 6:18 p.m.
Construction noise 2900 block 3rd 6:21 p.m.
Battery 3rd Street Prom / Broadway 6:23 p.m.
Speeding Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 6:42 p.m.
Petty theft 1200 block 3rd Street Prom 7:09 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 35 calls for service on Sept. 20.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

EMS 1100 block Yale 1:21 a.m.
EMS 1400 block 2nd 2:17 a.m.
EMS 1000 block 19th 5:39 a.m.
EMS 1400 block 4th 5:57 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1000 block Yale 6:16 a.m.
EMS Ocean / Colorado 7:04 a.m.
EMS 500 block Olympic 7:16 a.m.
Miscellaneous outside fire 1600 block Appian 7:52 a.m.
EMS 21st / Pico 8:19 a.m.
EMS 3000 block Highland 8:53 a.m.
EMS 500 block Pico 9:09 a.m.
EMS 12th / Broadway 10:06:09
Wires down 600 block Alta 10:36 a.m.
EMS 1300 block Franklin 10:46 a.m.
EMS Centinela / Pico 11:02 a.m.
EMS 1100 block 7th 11:48 a.m.
EMS 1600 block ocean Front Walk 11:53 a.m.
EMS 2200 block La Mesa 12:27 p.m.
EMS 1700 block 4th 12:51 p.m.
EMS 600 block Kensington 1:08 p.m.
EMS Lincoln / Strand 1:29 p.m.
EMS 400 block Ocean 1:39 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 14th 2:20 p.m.
EMS 2000 block Ocean 3:13 p.m.
EMS 1600 block Berkeley 3:39 p.m.
EMS 2800 block Wilshire 4:02 p.m.
EMS 2700 block Neilson 6:20 p.m.
EMS 1100 block Arizona 7:16 p.m.
Automatic alarm 3300 block Olympic 7:35 p.m.
EMS 2200 block 30th 7:47 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 7:48 p.m.
EMS 7th / Santa Monica 8:19 p.m.
EMS 1700 block Ocean 8:33 p.m.
EMS 1500 block Lincoln 9:17 p.m.
EMS 400 block Broadway 9:46 p.m.

DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 9/20
39 48 53 67 68
Power#: 26
Jackpot: 53M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 9/19
9 28 31 50 61
Mega#: 10
Jackpot: 104M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 9/20
4 36 38 40 46
Mega#: 21
Jackpot: 16M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 9/20
1 10 15 21 36

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 9/20
MIDDAY: 8 7 5
Draw Date: 9/20
EVENING: 8 1 4

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 9/20
1st: 06 Whirl Win
2nd: 04 Big Ben
3rd: 07 Eureka
RACE TIME: 1:48.79

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WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Body of Knowledge

■ The skin of the average adult weighs roughly 8 pounds and covers 22 square feet. A standard doorway encompasses 21 square feet. Given the increasing obesity epidemic, many Americans are probably now the equivalent of double doors.

Life in Big Macs

■ One hour of quietly standing in line burns 81 calories, (based on a 150-pound person) or the equivalent of one-tenth of a Big Mac. If you're standing in line at a McDonald's to buy a Big Mac, you're going to have to be in line a long time to even things out.

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Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*



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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

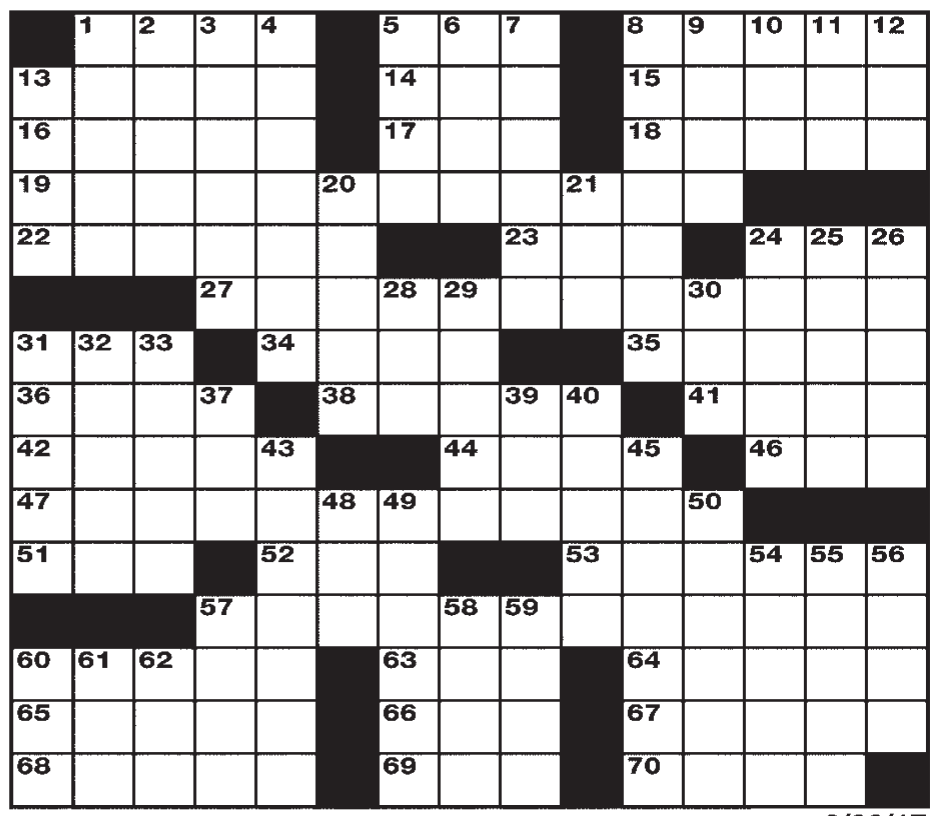
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Newsday Crossword

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1 Unkind comment
5 Cologne complaint
8 Vegged out
13 Verizon client since 2015
14 Speak affectionately
15 Bestow by decree
16 Swimming pool adjunct
17 Haul from behind
18 Jazz band section
19 Is fashionable no longer
22 Expansive residence
23 Mo. with no major holidays
24 Devitalize
27 Effective combination
31 Slack off
34 Circular flow
35 Pseudonym lead-in
36 Jokey quote
38 Factions of a faith
41 Rubs the wrong way
42 Metropolitan
44 Program for Citadel students
46 Pop in on
47 Sunday brunch deal, perhaps
51 Caustic cleaner
52 Dr. Watson's claim to fame
53 The Mississippi's source
57 Stir-fry chicken dish
60 Mississippi Delta feature
63 Sort of day break
64 Argentine grassland
65 Brief promo piece
66 Frat letter
67 Jonathan Pryce, in a '96 musical
68 French royal house
69 Letters on $1,000+ handbags
70 Port of Yemen

DOWN
1 Gauchos' gear
2 Most-wanted group
3 Part of a Santa suit
4 Get some air
5 Place for dramatic exposition
6 Small water bird
7 "A real shame!"
8 Food favored by Garfield
9 Vacationing
10 Stubborn Seuss character
11 Word that sounds like a Brontë heroine
12 Driller's designation
13 1970 Australian Open champ
20 Superhero's doings
21 Pair of harmonizers
24 Gets up
25 Now up
26 Rapper's aides
28 Laudatory lines
29 Elastane brand
30 Connecticut collegian
31 Evenly matched
32 Muscular
33 Major source of *Bartlett's* quotes
37 Turn out to be worthwhile
39 Whole load
40 Creator of Shrek
43 "I'm sure too"
45 Tree with beanlike pods
48 *Número minúsculo*
49 Oscar winner as Cohan
50 Followed closely, in whodunits
54 Make do without
55 Ecclesiastical laws
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58 Stable staple
59 Cameo stone
60 *Doctor Who* airer
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Jimmy Kimmel transforms debate, and shows comedy's new role

BY DAVID BAUDER
AP Television Writer

If the latest Republican attempt to repeal Obamacare doesn't work, it may become known as the Jimmy Kimmel Non-Law.

The comic's withering attacks this week have transformed the debate over the bill (sponsored by Sens. Lindsey Graham and Bill Cassidy) and, in the process, illustrated how thoroughly late-night talk shows have changed and become homes for potent points of view.

"Late-night has really become an important part of the civic conversation," said Robert Thompson, director of Syracuse University's Bleier Center for Television and Popular Culture, on Thursday.

Kimmel's monologues on Tuesday and Wednesday were deeply personal. His newborn son underwent surgery in May for a heart defect and faces two more operations. He felt a sense of personal betrayal from Sen. Bill Cassidy, who was on the show this spring after Kimmel talked about his son's medical problems, and felt that Cassidy lied to him about Republican health care plans. Cassidy said the comedian was misinformed.

Kimmel's initial speech on his ABC show, where a phone number to Congress was flashed on the screen to urge viewers to get involved, quickly spread online and became a focus of news coverage. Cassidy was asked to respond to Kimmel when he appeared Wednesday on CNN's "New Day."

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, despite his own doubts about the Republican bill, balked in an MSNBC appearance at being compared to Kimmel. "He's not a serious person," Christie said.

But Kimmel was deadly serious.

"Before you post a nasty Facebook message saying I'm politicizing my son's health problems, I want you to know I am politicizing my son's health problems because I have to," Kimmel said.

After Fox News Channel's Brian Kilmeade criticized members of the Hollywood elite "like comedian Jimmy Kimmel for pushing their politics on the rest of the country," Kimmel blasted him the next night as a "phony little creep" who "whenever I see him, kisses my ass like a little boy meeting Batman."

Rob Burnett, filmmaker and former executive producer of David Letterman's "Late Show," said Kimmel's monologues were some of the most important things he's ever seen in late-night television.

"I found myself deeply moved by them and also entertained," he said. "It's the full experience."

The talk shows have become deeply political in the past few years with many and varied voices including Stephen Colbert, John Oliver, Samantha Bee and Trevor Noah. Trace the turn to former "Daily Show" host Jon Stewart, whose advocacy for legislation to help first responders at the World Trade Center was a precedent for Kimmel. Virtually all of the comedy comes from a liberal point of view; Peter Hasson, an editor at the conservative Daily Caller website grumbled on Twitter that "being a comedian now means actually being a lobbyist."

Kimmel hasn't steered away from politics in the manner of NBC's Jimmy Fallon, but he hasn't made it as big a part of his comedy as many of his colleagues.

Generations ago, late-night comics like Johnny Carson tended to keep their political comedy non-offensive, Thompson said. Their networks didn't want it; no sense in turning off potential viewers. Now the comics appeal to smaller, niche audiences who are attracted by their passion. Burnett calls it a golden age for late-night comedy.

"As a person who wrote many thousands of jokes for late-night television, they've taken it to a whole other level," he said. "I feel like one of those old-time tennis players who were using wooden rackets."

Burnett's old boss, Letterman, straddled the generations. He was aggressively non-political in the early years of his career, and became quite pointed at the end of his time on the "Late Show."

While comics now have a fraction of Carson's audience, today's media world amplifies their impact. If Carson, for example, had delivered a blistering monologue on the Vietnam War — not that his bosses would let him — there was no Internet or cable TV to replay it again and again. But if you didn't see it live, you didn't see it.

One casual reference by Kimmel during his first monologue acknowledged he knew how many people would see it. He urged his fans not just to "like" his speech on social media when they saw it, but to take action.

Kimmel also gave attention to an issue, attention Republican leaders surely didn't want to see, at a time cable television was preoccupied with hurricanes, the Mexican earthquake and ongoing investigation into President Trump's Russian connections.

"He's got a candor that we don't often see," Thompson said. "Certainly not from comedians but also from political leaders."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 22)

You're exceptionally lucky over the next four weeks. In November, shake up your professional scene some. What seems like a lateral move will actually lead to something much better. You don't really know yourself until you try new things. Your personal life percolates with fresh activities and interests in 2018. Taurus and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 4, 42, 38 and 14.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
When the sun rises, it rises for everyone and shines on all creatures alike. Those who feel special and above the rest will be humbled by the current cosmic climate in the best way possible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
People don't necessarily want to hear the most honest interpretation of things. What about compassion? What about catering the message to the audience? If you must talk hard facts, speak the truth and then duck.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Even if you have a self-driving car, you still can't drive two of them at the same time. Choose. It may be difficult, as many options seem equal, but if you don't make the choice now, someone will make it for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
Imagine if you believed that there was nothing wrong with you and there never has been, that nothing needed to be improved, that there was no "better," only "different": Would you then still make the same choice?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Intellectual powers surge today. You enjoy thinking things through and coming up with the perfect explanation for why they are the way they are, or how they might become something else.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You're ready and willing to learn, and that's not even the best part: There is someone very skilled who will be willing to teach you! You're the one who must make the first approach, though.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Do you get the sense that you're coming into your own? Don't dismiss this as merely a good mood. Instead heed the intuition as a harbinger of the very lucky times you're stepping into.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
You could put something in the world that wasn't there before. Note that creative ventures do require more than a good idea. They require time and study and practice. That said, a few minutes here and there will add up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
The thing about chasing mirages is that no matter how much distance you cover, you'll never arrive. Illusions threaten to waste your time. Separate actualities from fantasies, truth from fiction.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
You genuinely want to do something well. Your attitude will appeal to others who have been masterful. In a stroke of luck more fortunate than money falling from the sky, the right teachers will be attracted to your potential.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
In some ways you are on your own, but this freedom has many perks. You can go in any direction you wish, for starters. Furthermore, your best guess is pretty stellar. Act on it and your luck will compound.

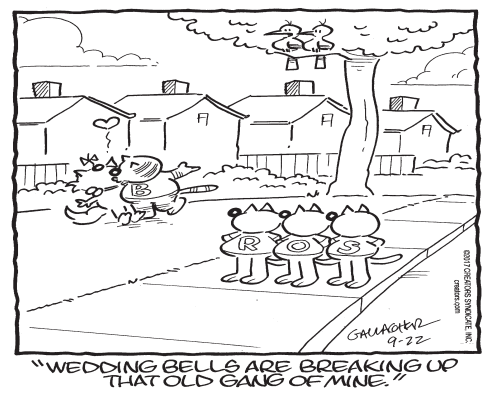
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When you can right a wrong situation you feel personally successful. Indeed you are! And those who help you celebrate achievements of justice are your true friends.

Happy Fall Equinox

This is one of two days in the year in which day and night are of equal length, a balance represented in the very concept of Libra — scales of measurement to ensure the justice of human transactions. The felicity of today's fall equinox is aptly punctuated by a trine of Mercury and Pluto, emphasizing practical magic and tangible results.

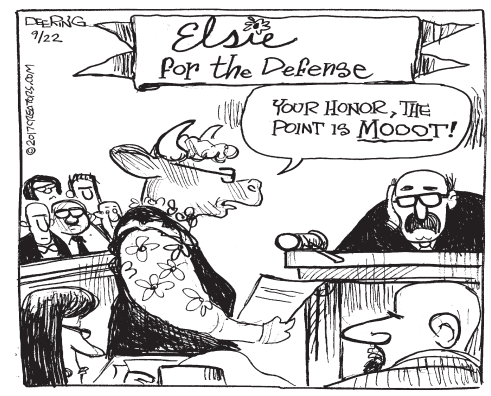
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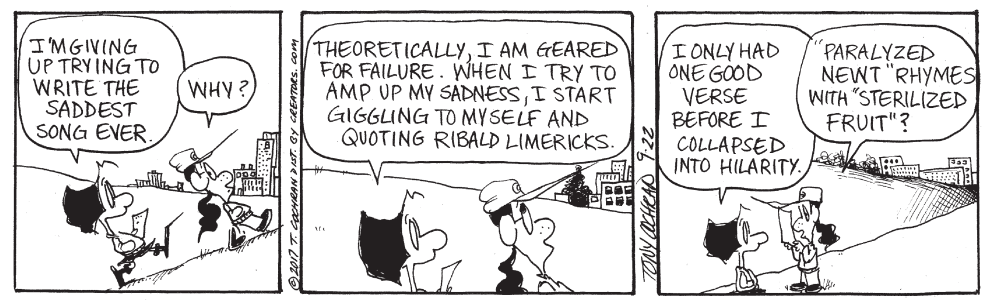
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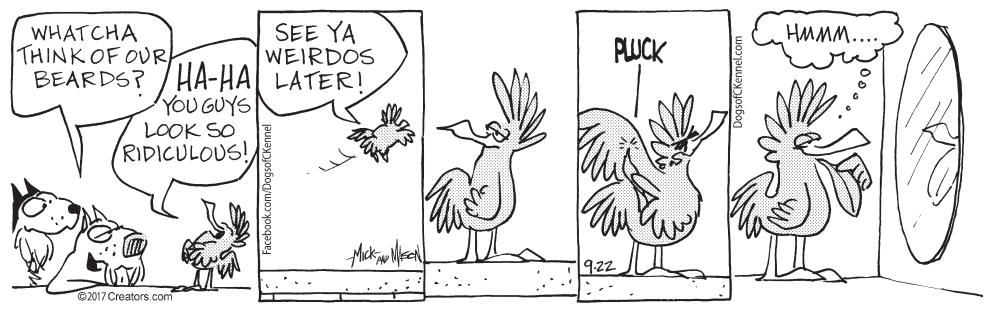
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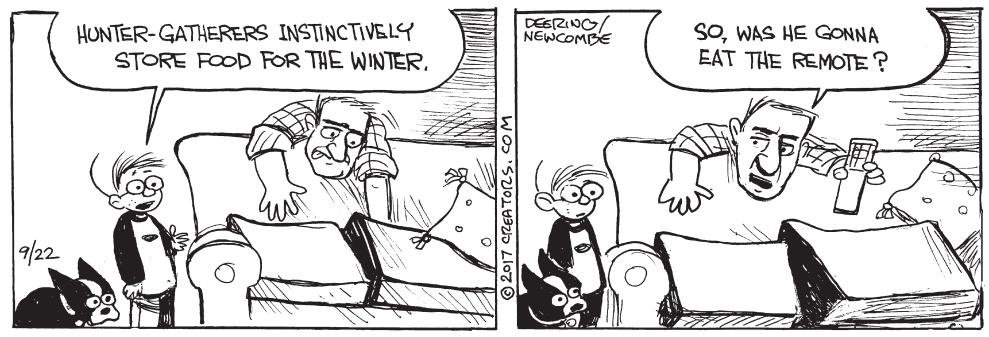
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