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Women band together against a new administration

Women flooded the nation’s capital this past weekend to protest President Trump and his policies. As we navigated through the crowd, saturated with women, and being spoken to by men, it felt like there was a blinding carpet of women that could not be interrupted. Although I’ve been in large crowds before, this was different. Being surounded by thousands of women almost made me feel like I was back in college. — Ingrid, 20, Virginia Tech student
Satire has lost its power as a political weapon

Intensely controversial political situations have led many to carelessly observe what was once a great and effective political tool.

We can no longer think of satire as a weapon, at least not in its current form. It has become a form of entertainment rather than argument.

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Those against whom satire is used have recently begun to shrug in its face. It has become a clever way to highlight risks and it has become a political weapon of sorts.

"Satire could be greatly improved if its creators are working in a more feasible form."

It is not that we should abandon satire, but that we must recognize that it will no longer shed light on the voids of ideological oppositions in the form it was. We must take another approach.

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This year provides your family with abundance and prosperity. Strategize for savings. Your professional influence rises with discipline. Surmounting physical challenges this month lead to renewed self-confidence. Transitions and changes in September energize your work and health. Prioritize now.

FORGET OUTER SPACE
THIS IS YOUR PLACE.

Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! by Tim Rickard

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1 Hindu noble
5 Like pastries
10 Rum cake
14 “O toil it is an __ fixed mark __.” - Shak.
15 SINE alumn Cheri
16 Restaurant in the same corporate group as Applebee’s
17 What nations that never bask in the sun may get?
19 Poll element
20 Vegetable
21 Sore
22 Oat
24 Careless
25 “This _ test”
27 Skitwobricks at a brewery?
34 “Cook Your Enthusiasm” creator
37 Different
38 By way of
39 Controversial sightings
40 Demotions, often
41 Grammar category
42 Budgetary waste
43 Who managed the Beatles and Stones
44 Phantom noyades
45 What berets are called?
46 Wire basket
48 Professional ges
53 Deflate
56 Comic actor
58 Words in spiritual titles
59 Track component
60 Angry books in the hayloft?
63 Military wind
64 African herbivores
65 Lot
66 Lost traction
67 Quaker in the forest
68 Adalia’s brother

DOWN
1 They get carried away
2 Be of use to
3 Pudding snack cup maker
4 It may come after you
5 Bone below the sacrum
6 State on the Colorado
7 Fall back on
8 Before, in verse
9 Don’t care for
10 Lunch order with “special sauce”
11 “May I speak?”
12 Pro
13 High point
16 Flavorful
23 Cold War letters
25 Tandem-shaped letters
26 Johnnycakes
29 Top story
30 Fine
31 Company?
32 Take to the cleaners
33 5th Avenue store

Monday’s Puzzle Solved

By Jerome Gunderson

Sage
Olive
Drum
Pot
Cleo
Raul
Alicia
Shaya

Complete the grid so that each column, row and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1-9.

SNOW ACTIVITIES
WORD SEARCH

LOCATE THE LIST OF WORDS IN THE WORD BANK IN THE LETTER GRID.

SNOW

Sledding
Skiing
Snow Golf
Ice skating
Snowball
Snowboarding
Snowman
Snow tubing
MEETING: Residents worry about dangers of junction

A concerned citizen stresses the importance of water quality maintenance for the Town of Blacksburg to the town council, Jan. 24, 2017.

**Caroline Probst news staff writer**

The Edge Rental Commons apartment residents—Christine Wood, Janet Flack and Alyson Hughes—said they are fighting to prevent the construction of a retail complex at the intersection Main Street and U.S. 460.

"We are all thankful for what we did," said Hughes. "We're just so glad that our research will help people to prevent heart diseases or the patient in the hospital to get more help because I know that's always something that helps people who are in an arrhythmia," Poelzing said. "We have many people that work from Those who have cardiac diseases or are on the Golgi network, Poelzing hopes that their research will help us to find a new mechanism to conceal certain individuals who suffer from these unfortunate diseases and people who are in an arrhythmia, (and) then you can keep that patient alive for longer. I'm always thankful for what we did."
**RECRUITING: Hokies flip handful of star recruits**

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“...That’s one of the main reasons I chose (Virginia Tech), Coach Fuente brought energy back and they’re winning 10 games,” Allen said in a postgame interview. “That’s one of the main reasons I chose (Virginia Tech).”

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**Virginia Tech head coach Justin Fuente walking around the field at the Bank of America Stadium before the game against the Arkansas Razorbacks in Charlotte, North Carolina, Dec. 29, 2016.**

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Coming off two hard-fought, one-point victories over Clemson and Georgia Tech this past week, the Hokies will look to build off their momentum on the road this Thursday as they travel to Chapel Hill to face the No. 9 ranked North Carolina Tar Heels.

The Tar Heels, who are currently riding an impressive six-game win streak, will be led by junior Joel Berry and Justin Jackson, their top scorers of the season, who will be aiming to bring the Hokies down to earth.

**Virginia Tech's big men**

With seniors Kennedy Meeks and Isaiah Hicks constantly finding the basket against Roy Williams’ squad. Allen has been a very reliable on-the-ball defender this season. The numbers don’t lie, either. Clarke is averaging just under eight rebounds per game and LeDay is scoring over seven.

With a big game from Virginia Tech’s top players, as well as a strong performance from Clarke and LeDay, the Hokies might be able to keep up with the high-scoring offense of Roy Williams’ squad. Another huge upset would keep the Hokies in contention in ACC play as well as build on their resume for the NCAA Tournament in March.