Lifelong Sumter resident is YMCA Humanitarian of the Year

John Creech, a Korean War veteran, was instrumental in Camp Mac Boykin, volunteered many hours

BY KAYLA ROBINS
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When a 22-year-old farmer-turned-deputy sheriff sought refuge from London's urban hazards for Bible study and a safe social circle, he could not foresee his idea would spark an international flame.

He describes it as being “caught in the middle,” unable to get away from the stress to continue to work without pay, and he says he is not alone. Across the United States from federal workers across the United States from working or going unpaid for their work until the shutdown ends.

At left, Ann Taylor, HUD retiree and president of AFGE Local 3380, demonstrates to support the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Bureau of Prisons on Thursday during a partial government shutdown keeping hundreds of federal workers across the United States from working or going unpaid for their work until the shutdown ends.

Senate rejects plans to end shutdown

Sumter resident, meteorologist says shutdown has been painful

Federal agency workers in Columbia still doing essential services unpaid

BY BRUCE MILLS
brucelmills.com

As of today. A few of us are continuing to deal with a partial government shutdown as it enters a second month.

The Columbia weather forecast of fire is one of three in the state for the agency and consists of 25 employees. Anderson said. Twenty-four weather service employees, including NWS meteorologists — are working without pay, and one administrative support person is furloughed without pay.

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Boost your post-workout burn with HIIT training

Many weight-loss enthusiasts track the number of calories burned while exercising. Although exercise naturally increases the rate of the calorie burn, it is generally only during the workout. However, scientists show that there is another factor to consider, one that extends calorie burn even after your workout is over.

Research shows that exercises that require more oxygen use during activity burn more calories. Excess post-exercise oxygen consumption in the amount of oxygen required to restore muscle proteins damaged during exercise is a key factor to consider, one that extends calorie burn even after your workout is over.

During EPOC, the body uses oxygen to restore muscle damage, and rebuild muscle proteins damaged during exercise. Even after a HIIT workout is over, the body will continue to use the glycogen energy pathway to replace the fuel your body used during the workout, boosting the EPOC effect.

Research shows that a resistance training session can provide a greater EPOC than cardio alone. For example, one study found that when cycling circuit weight training and heavy resistance exercise were compared, heavy resistance exercise produced the best EPOC.

Put another way, after a single 30-minute cardio session and burning a lot of calories, it doesn’t take long for your body to recover, whereas there is a minimal EPOC effect. But if you complete a HIIT session that is a single short weight training session for the same amount of time, you will burn less calories, but there will be a greater EPOC effect. That is because of the oxygen needed to repair and rebuild damaged muscles. It is reported that this effect can extend up to 16 hours after a resistance training session compared to one hour after a cardio session.

If you had the choice between burn- ing 300 calories in 30 minutes or 150 in 30 minutes, which would you choose? We all want to burn as many calories in as short a time as possible but don’t forget about the impact of the afterburn, the EPOC. And since HIIT workouts are extremely effective, you can still reap the benefits when you are short on time.

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According to the sheriff's official release, all the victims were found in the bank's lobby, lying face down with gunshot wounds to the head from casings from the .40-caliber handgun he was using. The floor was covered in blood.

Another victim, Victor Sparks, was quoted by the Highlands News-Sun as saying that he found the door locked during the attack, so he walked around and began shooting people laying on the floor. The killer was dead, the sheriff said.

On Saturday night, police received a report. McGirt said three separate calls Tuesday with armed robbery, possession of a weapon or a weapon order warrant.

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By DAVID KOENIG

The ability of drones to interfere with air travel has grown in recent years.

“Drones are the new UFO,” said Dan Esposito, who teaches unmanned aircraft systems at the University of North Dakota.

But with new advances in artificial intelligence, it’s not just industrial and Warren robots that will alter the American workforce. Self-checkout kiosks and computerized hotel concierges will also play their part.

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3 pedestrians hit, killed in Midlands last week; patrolman shares important tips

BY SHARON HALEY
Special to The Sumter Item

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Pets of the week

Pepper is a 1.5-year-old, dilute calico female domestic medium-hair cat. She is super sweet and loves her treats. She loves being brushed and gets along well with other cats. She currently weighs 60 pounds, is up to date on her vaccinations, spayed and tested negative for FeLV and feline leukemia. We currently have a $25 adoption special for all of our cats and kittens.

Taurus is a 2-year-old tan female Lab mix. She weighs about 60 pounds, is current on all of her age-appropriate vaccinations, heartworm negative and has been spayed. Taurus loves to cuddle and likes to be a lap dog. She gets along well with other dogs and does not mind riding in a car. Taurus is an absolute sweetheart and loves having her belly rubbed. If you are interested in this sweet and lovable dog, you can get a preapproval to adopt by submitting your adoption application online at www.Alec-

American Bass Anglers Tournament tomorrow

SUMMERTON — The American Bass Anglers Tournament will be held tomorrow at the Wyboo Plantation. The first place winner will take home $1,000. All participants are required to appear and defend against any Supplemental Order. The conditions as set forth in the sales day upon the terms and the time of sale, the property is payable for documentary stamps on the rate of 7.5000%. THIS SALE IS

Harvin Clarendon Library Board meeting on Monday

MANNING — The Harvin Clarendon Library Board will hold a meeting at 4:30 p.m. Jan. 28 at the Clarendon County Administration Building Council Chambers. The board will be presented with the 2017-18 audit report from Viole L arson

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Commitment to diversity, inclusion is essential for the next USC president

BY DAVID J. SNYDER

The University of  South Carolina is embarking on the search for its 24th president, a historic mo-

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versity. USC’s Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee has sent a letter to the Board of

Trustees highlighting our conviction that an appointment for diversity and in-

clusion should be a priority both in the search for the new president and

in our new president must be a person who can make up and touch our

university community. He or she must be a person who can add to the

constructed track record of  success fostering an inclusive and
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U.S. and Mexico is still affecting employ-
ee and their families.
The Senate stepped down competing
Democratic and Republican plans on
Thursday for ending the protracted
shutdown, leaving Trump and Congress
with no obvious formula for halting the
longest-ever lapse in federal agencies,
according to The Associated Press.
The Democratic proposal got one more vote
than the GOP plan, with six Republic-
ans and six Democrats defecting and only
faint signs that legis-
lation on both sides was looking for
ways to resolve the impasse.

"The job of a forecast meteorologist is
already a stressor one anyway," Ande-
son said. "But to be in his or her best.

The elder Creech, who sat
in the center of the room and
stared out at the audience, had
only thought of him as his father.
Creech Johnson, said she re-
moved him to the center.

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It is about the meteorologist's job to

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Sumter’s BIGGEST Best of Ever

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serve leader who "are not
only financial supporters but also
linking members of the YMCA
who also dedicate their lives to not only
advancing the vision and goals of our Y
but to make an impact that
doesn’t end when you leave the
door."

"The Y was just part of the
experience," Creech said.

But, as Tumpy Creech put it:
"This is hard stuff to
work under these conditions. We go
to work, aren’t getting paid but aren’t
quality for unemployment.

Anderson has a 35 min-
ute commute to his office in Columbia.
During the shutdown, the weather
service can only conduct core mission
activities, which include issuing weather
alerts and warnings to protect lives
and property.

Equipment maintenance and repairs are
the first priority, said Chief Operations
Manager Derek Brown. Once the
shutdown begins in late Dec. Ande-
son said. Those conditions result
in the long week.

Anders and his is luckily, though,
not affected due to his royal status,
especially the younger ones. The

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He said he stopped watching news
coverage of the shutdown and gave up
on predicting an end to it.

"There seems to be no end in sight," Ande-
erson said. "It’s like the movie "Ground

He said he thought this shutdown
will have a long-term impact on recruit-
ment and retention for the National
Weather Service and for many other federal
jobs.

"The stability of having a consistent
job in the government sector, for which
a long time has been considered a perk,
has been shattered," Anderson said.

Anders and his agency has been grateful
for the outpouring of support it has re-
cieved from the local community, espe-
cially in the form of meals delivered
to the offices. On Wednesday, a Columbia
YMCA metropolitan provided meals for
the day and night shift at the weather
service, Anderson said.

Everything is just to be one day at a
time, he said, and the staff has found
humor to be helpful.

"A few of us looked at each other the
other day and said, 'You know, I ate a lot
of ramen in college, and who would have
cared if we would have had to
our rambles days' Anderson said. "For

Some employees are selling their be-
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Some of the younger staff members
may not have one income source and young
children, and could now have their cred-
rating hurt just to finance bills and
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John Creech takes a look at his Humanitarian of the Year award as his
wife, Tumpy, stands by to the left.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2019

THE SUMTER ITEM
A free pardon, expungement and employment workshop will be held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26, at the American Legion building, 352 Palmer St., to assemble and pray for those who have committed crimes. The workshop will provide information and guidance on the expungement process to remove criminal convictions from your criminal record. Completion of a 16-week course will be required. Michelle Poole of the Third Judicial Circuit Expungement Office, and Sheri Brown of S.C. Probation and Parole Services, will speak.

American Legion Post 32 Women’s Auxiliary will host its annual Valentine’s Day dinner and dance from 5 to 8 p.m. on Feb. 14 at the American Legion building, 352 Palmer St. A paper dance will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Sumter County School District, 211 N. Main St., to assemble and pray for our government leaders and all those involved in the complexity of government operations.

Parish Scholarship’s annual auction of student art is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Family Life Center, 415 Manning Ave. Art will be on exhibit. This year’s auction will include art, jewelry, baskets and much more. For more information, call (803) 983-0600.

Pace Scholarship Academy’s second annual Scholarship and College Fair will be held 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 10, at Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 325 W. Summer Street. The fair will feature admissions officers from area colleges and representatives from Sumter-based employers. An information packet will be available in advance online at www.happeninyourarea.com. Please do not contact the high school for information. Today is the deadline to register for gift.

Sumter County Historical Society presents “Echoes from Sumter Past” from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Sumter County Museum, Williams-Brice House, 122 N. Washington St. The meeting will be held in the Dothan Room of the Williams-Brice House. Tours of the Dothan Room, the Williams-Brice Studio and the Dothan Reservoir will be offered. For more information, call (803) 983-4578.

Dressed in period costumes, presenter Cheryl Smilowska, of Dearly Departed Hall, 122 N. Washington St., will share fascinating anecdotes from the life of Anne Boleyn. The presentation will be held 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10. Handouts will be given to all participants. Please call (803) 983-4578 to register.

From 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 10, at the County Museum, Williams-Brice House, 122 N. Washington St., the public is invited to a reception to celebrate the opening of the exhibition, “Seasons of S.C.: Precious Things in the Area.” The exhibition includes items from the Sumter collection of the S.C. Historical Society. A large group monthly meeting will be held 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 10, at Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 325 W. Summer Street. The meeting will feature our quarterly prayer service, led by a guest speaker. The meeting is open to all. For more information, call (803) 983-8563.
Swampcats hold off Wilson Hall 51-43; Lady Barons cruise

BY DANNY KELLY

dkelly@theitem.com

MANNING — The Lau-

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Becca Dinkins had 15 points on 10-of-15 shooting and four assists. MJ Legrand had 12 points, five rebounds and two assists, and Emme McCutchen had six points and 10 rebounds.

ROBERT J. LEE

TURKIVILLE — Talaysia Ford had 15 points to lead East Clarendon to a 60-57 win over Washington at Manning Junior High gymnasium.

Quantez Jenkins led the Lady Cavaliers with 17 points. Brandon Sanders had 12 points while Jalen Bennett had six. Marquis Lane had five points and six assists.

Jalen Bennett had six points for the Monarchs, who improved to 18-4 overall and 9-0 in Region VII-2A. Quantez Jenkins added 10 points and 11 rebounds.

By: From staff reports
Snead’s big bets on Rams’ future pay off in Super Bowl trip

By Greg Beacham

The Rams reached the playoffs a year ago, but the team hasn’t been back there since. The Rams have a big decision to make this week, after their loss to the Los Angeles Chargers.

The Rams acquired defensive tackle Aaron Donald, the NFL’s Defensive Player of the Year, in a trade with the Pittsburgh Steelers. The team has also re-signed free agent receiver Robert Woods, who was released by the Cleveland Browns.

The Rams have already moved on from their previous Super Bowl, a 37-3 win over the New England Patriots last year. They have won just one postseason game since 2016.

The Rams are the No. 1 seed in the NFC West and hold the home-field advantage in the playoffs. They have a first-round bye and will host a divisional playoff game in Los Angeles on Jan. 12.

Los Angeles Rams general manager Les Snead said Wednesday that he believes the team is built to compete for a Super Bowl championship this season.

"After winning the division last year, after finishing last year, we sat back and said, ‘We definitely feel like we can do this, and we could do the same thing this year.,’" Snead said Wednesday. "I think the moves this year were going to pay off. That wasn’t good enough."

But Snead said the team isn’t willing to make any changes to its roster before the playoffs.

"The Rams have the ability to get to the Super Bowl right now," Snead said. "They have the talent to do that. They have the depth to do that. They have the coaching staff to do that. And they have the players to do that."
Harden’s run should end when he gets help

BY TIM REYNOLDS
The Associated Press

This play midway through the fourth quarter was one of James Harden’s historic effort at Madison Square Garden was largely vintage in South Carolina: the Houston Rockets’ offense has looked like his.

He got the ball.

He kept it for 16 seconds.

He dribbled it 12 times.

He shot.

He scored.

What Harden has done in his last five games — 29 points, 52.2 points per game, zero assists by a teammate — is astounding by any measure. He’s averaged 43.1 points in his last 10 NBA games, keeping Houston in the thick of the Western Conference playoff race. The Rockets have alternated 11 victories and 10 defeats in those 21 games, despite Harden’s greatness of late.

Earlier this month, Houston guard Austin Rivers described the Rockets’ playlike this, per Sports Illustrated: “James Harden… (sleeps) out of his way. Let him do the dirty dancing.”

That philosophy should be coming to an end before long.

Rockets point guard Chris Paul will be back soon again, leading Houston out of this hamstring woe, maybe even as early as Friday against Toronto. When that happens, Harden will no longer have to be as much the scoring load.

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This play midway through the fourth quarter was one of Harden’s most memorable, one of his best games. He scored 44 percent of Houston’s points, an unsustainable undertaking, and Harden certainly does not want to remain that way. He’s been the entire system, or so it seems.

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WTA rankings for the first time; 2019 since Williams claimed four straight WTA trophies overall. On her 100th round finale at Melbourne Park a year ago was her best showing at the championship. This year, she has struggled. She just about three months of retirement from tennis. In July, she announced that she had a knee operation. She was not able to play again until the U.S. Open where she made it to the third round. She left the left hand was stabilized by an intruder who was in the house in her Connecticut home. She has already made some comments to the media that she has "seen her career." Kvitova was born on November 9, 1987, in Prague, Czech Republic. The 2009 Wimbledon and 2010 US Open champion qualified for the WTA Tour in 2006. She has won 37 WTA singles titles and 19 WTA doubles titles, the most recent of which was at the 2018 French Open. She is a two-time Grand Slam champion, having won titles at Wimbledon and the US Open.

DAVID EUGENE EVANS

BISHOPVILLE — Eugene “Dean” Evans, 74, was called to his heavenly rest on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2019, at Bamberg Baptist Hospital in Orangeburg. He was the son of the late Henry Frederick Evans and Fannie Bonner Evans who lived in Bishopville.

Eugene “Dean” Evans was born on June 4, 1920, in Shiloh. Visit us on the web at williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.

leave at 12:20 p.m. from the 710 Simmons Road, Sumter.

atives and friends at the home, 99 Oswego Highway, Sumter, for viewing until the hour of the funeral. Pastoral埋葬 service will be held at 1 p.m. from St. John United Methodist Church, 3655 Myrtle Beach Highway, Sumter, with Elder James Cooper presiding and Pastor Richard F. Dozier officiating. Interment will follow at St. John Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at their homes on Monday, Jan. 21, 2019, from 12 to 2 p.m. from the home of Ada Cooper-Kirby.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Funeral Home.

CLAUDIA DAVIS

Sumter County was her home in Sumter County. She was the daughter of the late George Davis and Lillian Witherspoon Davis. She was preceded in death by her parents.

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LES JOYNS

Leigh-Ann Wadell, age 37, became a wife of Brian Holtsclaw on this day in their home in Sumter County. He was born on November 11, 1975, in Lee County, to the late James and Colleen Jen.

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Trump open to ‘down payment’
President would reopen government for 3 weeks

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Thursday he is open to a ‘‘down payment’’ to end the partial government shutdown for three weeks in exchange for a ‘‘down payment’’ on his border wall. Trump was meeting privately Thursday with Republican senators, including Bill McConnell and Michael Collins, to discuss the shutdown and border wall negotiations.

Trump said that if McConnell and Collins ‘‘come to a reasonable agreement, I would support it.’’

‘‘I have other alternatives if I have to, … We have to have a wall in this situation,’’ Trump said.

The president recently demanded that Congress appropriate $5.7 billion for a wall, which Democrats have rejected.

Friday, Jan 25, 2019, USA Today.

Doomsday is holding steady at 2 minutes

According to the Doomsday Clock, it’s two minutes to midnight. That’s the same time as last year and remains the closest it’s been since 1953 at the height of the Cold War.

The nonprofit Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists decides whether the events of the previous year pushed humanity closer to or further from destruction.

According to the group, the clock ‘‘remains in beat with our worsening climate, increasing our civilization with dangerous technologies of our own making.’’

Former California Gov. Jerry Brown, left, and former Secretary of Defense William Perry unveil the Doomsday Clock on Thursday in Washington.

CLIF GIBSON

A new abnormal: It is still two minutes to midnight.

According to the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, which released the Doomsday Clock Thursday, Trump’s comments to Congress that he would ‘‘immediately lift the ban on drilling for oil and gas in offshore areas and make a down payment on his border wall’’ have raised the Doomsday Clock. The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists said the threats are ‘‘nuclear weapons and climate change.’’

The longer a world leader and citizens together think this abnormal reality, the more likely it is that society will experience a catastrophic collapse.

‘‘We’re playing Russian roulette with our civilization with dangerous technologies of our own making,’’ he said.

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The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists said Thursday that humanity is facing ‘‘two simultaneous existential threats, either of which would be cause for extreme concern and immediate action.’’

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Senate panel subpoenas former Trump lawyer

Cohen wants protection from the president

Brett Molina USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — The Senate Intelligence Committee on Thursday subpoenaed Michael Cohen, President Donald Trump’s former lawyer and fixer, to testify about his dealings with the president. The panel is investigating Russian interference in the 2016 election and a separate inquiry into payoffs to conceal allegations that Trump had a sexual encounter with a former Playboy model during his wife’s pregnancy.

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The police department’s Force Investigation Unit is investigating the shooting. St. Louis Circuit Attorney Kimberly Gardner said her office has dismissed 12 cases, citing exhaustion. She is survived by her husband, mother, father and sister.

Police did not release the names of the two male officers.

He said Alix was shot in the chest by a 29-year-old officer in what he described as a police shootout. St. Louis Circuit Attorney Kimberley Gardner said her office dismissed 12 cases because of the officers’ conduct at the scene. They were not investigating whether the two male officers fired their guns at each other.

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Spokesperson for the Senate panel de- closed to comment. Cohen didn’t reply to a request for comment.

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Although the president had considered delivering the address at a different time and had hoped to postpone the speech because “no ven- dition, which could change the tradition and importance of the House of Representatives,” the transfer would need the approval of both chambers of Congress.

Trump’s decision was a reversal from his previous stance Wednesday when he insisted in a letter that he would deliver the speech in the House, despite Pelosi’s security concerns.

“It would be so very sad for our Country if the State of the Union were not delivered on time, on schedule and very importantly, on location,” he wrote.

He also criticized Pelosi’s stand as “a dream of the radical political special interest group, a group that has never won an election, and so very importantly, on location!”

According to the House’s Office of the Historian and the Clerk of the House’s Office of Art and Archives, in the last 230 years, only George Washington’s first term began, but 98 of the State of the Union addresses were delivered in person from the floor of the House of Repre-

Betty Mollen USA TODAY

A collision between Earth and another planet that helped form the moon may have also delivered key components for creating life, a study suggests.

NASA

On a long-standing theory for how Earth acquired its life elements such as carbon and nitrogen, called the Earth-Venus connection, scientists say life-creating elements on Earth are not consistent with all of the geochemical evidence, Daupsta said.

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New Disney kid-com stars teen Broadway veteran

**BY KEVIN MCDONOUGH**

Disney introduces TV teens to 15-year-old actress musical artist Ruth Righi (Broadway’s “School of Rock the Musical”), she is the star of “Sydney to the Max” (8:30 p.m., Fox). A teen comedy about living with three generations under one roof, “Sydney” also stars Ian Breck Rodler as her father. Max, who is also seen in flashbacks as his teenage self in the 1990s, played by Jessica Delpin.

Look for Caroline Rhea (“Sabrina the Teenage Witch”) as Judy, Sydney’s spunky grandmother, who’s always ready to offer anecdotes (that she’s a survivor of a mass genocide in her native Rwanda). “Sydney to the Max” has a case against an African nation, it involves a political tape looms large in the narrative.

A schemer (Barbara Stanwyck) presents the Minnesota Opera’s performance of the stage musical “Doubt.” Music by Douglas J. Cuomo and libretto by John Patrick Shanley, author of the original play.

Also on tap, a peculiar woman planned his death. “Baby Face” (2002, Suspense) Jennifer Lopez, Billy Campbell, Juliette Lewis. A woman takes her daughter and flees her abusive husband.


John Cena is back on “The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (N) (11:35 p.m., CBS). Jimmy Fallon welcomes Matt LeBlanc, John Krasinski and bije Bella, and Jo Ferguson on “The Tonight Show” (N) (11 p.m., NBC). Allison Williams, Ryan Eggold, Tony Hale, Richard Kind and Jason McCrillis visit “Late Night With Seth Meyers” (12:35 a.m., NBC).
creased decades before the era of social media. It was crammed with meme-worthy quotes and costume changes. Without the context of “no day but today” and “I ought to expect to pass more and more into mans” just might shoot up on your notebook come Mon-
day.

Amanda Seales, a recu-
firing figure on HBO’s “Inaug-
uration,” got her own stand-up special, "Amanda Seales: I Be Knowin’,” airing at 10 p.m. Saturday on HBO.

“Shimmer Man Stabbing The couch” (7 a.m., Starz, TV-MA) examines the case of Megan (Sara), a 27-year-old woman who complained of being a “shimmer woman” to appear or impress a fee-
ing level of physical harm to a man. The Shimmer Man, popularized by the ancient term, “shimmer monster” by Billy Shimmerz, is a violent and disturbing male.

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