

A world of misfits

by Lori Boettcher

Wondering aimless
Mental illness raging
Ease the pain, self
Medicate, take a
Thousand sips

Squatters, zombies
Eyes bulging, pitch
A tent roadside, welcome
To our fancy hotel

Visions of wellness,
Exotic islands, warmth,
Beauty, dumpster
Diving, please take a
Bite

Walking sideways
Which way is straight?
Hush now heaven
Awaits

Chaotic thoughts
Words flow in circles
Where to begin? When
Will it end?

The Angels their
Luminous colors
Surround you
Tranquility, love
Perfectly entwined

A great wait lifted
No longer a misfit
You are my child
Be still and know
That I am God

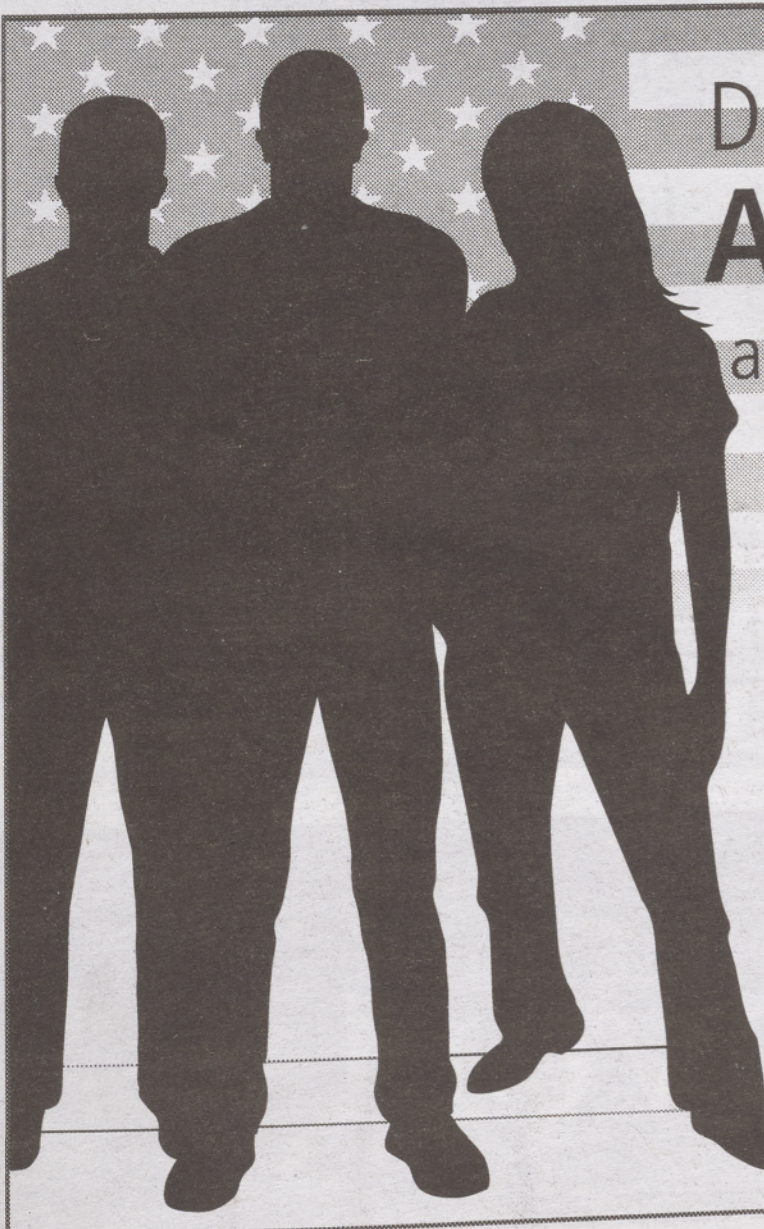
Autumn Breezes Speak

by Don Grubb

What goes up must come down
What grows up must fall down
Like trees we grow
What's been left behind
is sure to show
The third of four seasons
Nature's reluctant release of leaves
for the ground to receive.
But listen quietly to the sound of
Autumn Breezes
as if she's saying: "Just let go"
Autumn speaks – she says, I'm letting you go,
If you return to me, then truly
You and I were meant to be.

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