



The Amerika Samoa Girls Volleyball All Star Team departed the territory Wednesday evening for Honolulu, Hawaii, to participate in the JPS Paradise Classic III. (l-r back row) Adri, Fetoai, Abid, Head Coach Lydia Faleafine Nomura, Kadayne, and Assistant Coach Lalomilo Mano. (l-r front row) Lori, Fofoga, Juliet, Princess, Cher, and Katerina.

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Faga'itua High School principal and head football coach, Sua'ese Pooch Ta'aase – who is also the offensive coordinator for Team Amerika Samoa's JPS Division I Football Team – pictured with defensive coordinator Meafou Sagapolutele Wednesday night, moments before the local team departed for Hawaii to compete in the JPS Paradise Football Classic III. [photo: TG]



Some of Team Amerika Samoa's All-Star Football Team coaching staff, led by head coach Taveuevu Kolose Ili (far right). The local All Star team left Wednesday night to compete in the Junior Prep Sports (JPS) Classic III, to be held at the Aloha Stadium next week. [photo: TG]

Police called by Fagaalu DOH clinic to disperse people who refused to leave

by Samoa News staff

Police were called to the Department of Health's clinic in Fagaalu on Wednesday afternoon after a crowd of people, who were there for their health cards, with many having waited in line since early morning hours, refused to leave, after being told that the clinic only serves 20 people a day, according to a female business owner, who called Samoa News to complain about the situation.

She noted that her employees are currently losing money, as they are 'in line' and not working, because their health cards are not current; and she's losing money — she has no workers, unless she allows them to continue to work, while they try to renew their health cards. In a catch-22 situation, allowing employees to work without a current health card could lead to a citation from DOH inspectors, if caught; and her place of business being shut down until employees, including herself, renew their cards.

The clinic opens on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for health cards — with 20 customers a day. Health cards are renewed each year and are required for food handlers and cannery workers in order to work.

According to ASG sources,

some of the people who showed up on Wednesday needed health clearances, not health cards; and therefore could have utilized the DoH clinic in Tafuna. Health clearances are required for people such as taxi and bus drivers applying for commercial licenses.

DoH officials told Samoa News that a physician is based at the Tafuna clinic to conduct health checks for commercial drivers.

And, a taxi driver based in Tafuna and a bus driver from Fagaalu said they both used the Tafuna clinic because it's easy and there is "no long wait."

With the Fono set to return next week, some residents plan to contact their lawmaker to lodge complaints about the alleged problem of getting a health card at DoH.

Based on information received by Samoa News, an estimated 200 people were at the DoH/ Fagaalu clinic on Wednesday — some of them were there since 4 a.m. so they would be first in line when the office opened at 7:30 a.m.

Health director Motusa Tuileama Nua was in Manu'a yesterday and couldn't be reached for comments via cell phone, and deputy director Fara Utu didn't immediately respond to Samoa News email questions

sent yesterday morning.

Samoa News reported in its Lali section in November that the health clinic had completed its renovations, and was once again issuing health clearances and health cards.

A health clearance requires vital checks, including vision and weight, but not a lab test, which is required for food handlers and cannery workers to get a health card.

The Fagaalu Health Clinic staff told Samoa News with only one physician assigned there (for both services), the policy was set at only 20 people per day for health cards and only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. And it's on a first-come, first-served basis.

This was the same explanation given to a Samoa News reporter who visited the clinic yesterday morning. The clinic staff said the first 20 people were allowed in on Wednesday when the clinic opened and everyone else was informed that that was it for the day and to come back Friday (today).

However, staff said many people wouldn't leave and stayed there, resulting in police being contacted out of concern for their safety, as the crowd became restless, refusing to leave even though staff demanded they disperse.

Clinic staff said they didn't have problems last month with the 20-people per day policy. This week Wednesday was the first time problems with the policy surfaced.

Samoa News also learned
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Samoa News regrets it will not publish on Monday, January 8 due to Dark Room Maintenance issues. However, our business office will be open. We will publish on Tuesday, January 9.



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Statistical yearbook proves that locals depend on technology

TEXT MESSAGING, CELL PHONES, CABLE TELEVISION SUBSCRIBERS STEADILY INCREASE

by Fili Sagapolutele

Samoa News Correspondent

Ever wonder how many people in American Samoa are subscribers of text messaging service? And with the increased use of cell phones, has that resulted in a drop of landline telephone services?

The American Samoa Statistical Yearbook 2016, which was publicly released last Friday, has the answers — and some. The Communication and Transportation section of the yearbook provides interesting information, with the American Samoa TeleCommunications Authority and Bluesky Communications being cited as sources for the data.

According to the information, there were 28,054 text messaging subscribers in 2016, a huge increase of 6.2% (or 26,415 subscribers) from 2015.

The report further notes that there were 31,746 text messaging subscribers in 2014; 25,996 in 2013; and 19,735 in 2012. There is no data for 2006 to 2011.

According to the report, there was a significant drop in landline telephone subscribers between 2006 and 2016, but the number of cellular phone sub-

scribers increased and fluctuated during the same period.

For example, in 2006 landline subscribers was at 10,737, then dropped to 8,031 in 2015 and further dropped to 7,818 in 2016. (ASTCA is the landline provider.)

For cell phone subscribers, there were 8,525 in 2006, then it peaked to 45,488 in 2013; however, there was a decline in 2014 with 33,053.

In 2015 the number stood at 28,406 and in 2016 it reached 28,455. Samoa News notes that both ASTCA and Bluesky are cell phone providers.

Other interesting cell phone data reveals that the total number of phone cards purchased and e-charges spiked between 2012 and 2016. There is no data before 2012.

In 2012, the number of phone cards purchased was a mere 175,663

But by 2016 it had ballooned to 1.18 million.

E-charge also increased notably, climbing from 949,593 in 2012 to 2.41 million in 2016.

With the world depending on the internet, American Samoa has jumped on the bandwagon, with internet subscribers numbering 3,194 in 2015 and increasing to 4,515 by 2016. For more comparison — there were only 1,973 internet subscribers in 2006. (Samoa News notes that both ASTCA and Bluesky are internet service providers).

On the other hand, the number of fax service subscribers has declined, from 686 in 2006 down to 518 in 2016.

According to the yearbook, there were 3,072 cable service subscribers — Moana TV/Bluesky — in 2016 — which

is a slight increase of 3% — or 2,979 - from 2015.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation service includes vehicle registrations and driver licenses, vessel and cargo movements, and air traffic and aircraft operations.

- Number of registered vehicles recorded by the Office of Motor Vehicles in 2016 was 8,373 — a drop of 13% compared to the previous year. Commercial and private vehicles make up the majority of the vehicles in the Territory. ASG vehicles accounted for 700-plus vehicles in the Territory.

- Number of driver's licenses and permits issued in 2016 dropped to 6,402 from 7,391 in 2015. Both private licenses and commercial permits contributed to the drop.

- Vessel movement and cargo movement within the territory in 2016 indicates significant decrease from the previous year.

- 4,020 flights landed at Pago Pago International Airport in 2016 compared to 3,686 in 2015. Incoming flights carried 66,480 passengers and the same number of flights took off with 68,628 passengers.

- About 2.7 million pounds of cargo and 1.6 million pounds of mail were brought in by commercial carriers. Outgoing cargo and mail were reported at 1.5 million and less than 500,000 respectively.

- In 2016, there were 174 flights between Pago Pago and Honolulu. This is an average of 15 flights per month. There were 3,518 flights between Pago Pago and Samoa (an average of 293 flights per month).

Ellison tweet on Antifa handbook and Trump draws criticism

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Minnesota Rep. Keith Ellison is drawing criticism for calling attention to a book that critics say condones a left-leaning group using violence in clashes with white supremacists.

Ellison, the deputy chairman of the Democratic National Committee, posted a photo on Twitter Wednesday of himself posing with the book "Antifa: The Anti-Fascist Handbook." The book calls violence during counter-protests "a small though vital sliver of anti-fascist activity."

Ellison's post said the book should "strike fear into the heart" of President Donald Trump. The tweet, which drew more than 8,000 comments and more than 2,500 retweets, drew pushback from Republicans,

who have criticized the movement's at-times violent disruptions of speaking engagements and white supremacist rallies.

Minnesota GOP Chairwoman Jennifer Carnahan said Ellison's post amounted to complicity in a movement "that continues to threaten the well-being of Republicans in Minnesota and around the country."

Spokesman Karthik Ganapathy says Ellison has not read the book but has espoused non-violence throughout his career.

The antifa, or anti-fascists movement, is a term to describe far-left-leaning militant groups that resist neo-Nazis and white supremacists. It drew more attention in 2017 after clashes at a white supremacists rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, in August.



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Another blow for Manu'a residents: hike in shipping rates for vehicles

MANU'A FAIPULE SAYS HE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT IT

by Fili Sagapolutele
Samoa News Correspondent

The Department of Port Administration has raised the rate for one-way shipping of private vehicles between Tutuila and Manu'a and the move is not sitting well with some members of the community, including one elderly woman who recently had a family car shipped to her from the US early last month, with plans to ship the vehicle to Ta'u, Manu'a.

The woman, who asked not be identified, asked that Samoa News contact House Vice Speaker, Fetu Fetui Jr., for "help" in lowering the cost, saying in Samoan, "Mamafa kele legei avega fa'aopoopo mo tagata Manu'a (another heavy burden for Manu'a residents.)"

The woman called on Port and ASG to show some love for Manu'a residents, who are already burdened with high cost of goods sold in Manu'a. "Fa'aali se alofa mo tagata Manu'a," she said.

A Dec. 13, 2017 general public memo signed by Port Administration director, Taimalelagi Dr. Claire Poumele, and posted at the Port facility, notes that effective Jan. 2, 2018, the new rate to ship any private vehicle "one-way between Pago Pago and Manu'a wharves will increase from \$135 to \$200."

"The high demand for more service delivery across the board, and most importantly the frequent travel of passengers has created additional trips for Manu'a," the memo states. "This has made it eminent to thoroughly review this fee and increase accordingly."

The memo goes on to say that those with concerns regarding the matter are asked to contact the Port's Business Office at 633-4251.

"May you have a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year," was the closing sentence.

Two Manu'a residents contacted yesterday for comments on the rate hike could only make fun of the closing sentence. "So the government hikes the rate and they give us this holiday greeting? Is this a joke? Is this a slap in the face?"

Taimalelagi didn't immediately respond to Samoa News email inquiries on the shipping rate hike.

When contacted yesterday, Fetui said he has not seen the memo, neither has he been informed about the rate increase, but he will inquire with Port Administration, as the hike is just another financial burden for Manu'a.

He pointed out that during the last House committee hearing (which was around September/October last year)

on rates for shipments to and from Manu'a, the director was asked to review all the rates that were already implemented at the time.

"Before Port Administration reaches a decision on their own, it's always best that many people are involved in discussions," said Fetui, adding that the concerns raised with Taimalelagi, are that, for many years, Manu'a has been suffering, with the high cost of living and any new added costs continue to make the situation worse.

For example, he said, the cost of goods sold in Manu'a stores is double or sometimes triple what is charged for the same goods sold in Tutuila and

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Kentucky GOP House Speaker Jeff Hoover attends annual ethics and anti-sexual harassment training for the state legislature on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018, in Frankfort, Ky. Hoover has temporarily stepped aside from his duties while the Legislative Ethics Commission investigates a sexual harassment settlement he signed with a woman who once worked in his office.

(AP Photo/Adam Beam)

Panel appointed to investigate Kentucky House speaker

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Four women and two men will decide whether to recommend expelling Kentucky's Republican House speaker after he signed a secret sexual harassment settlement with a woman in his office.

Eight Republican lawmakers filed formal disciplinary charges against Jeff Hoover on Wednesday, alleging he sexually harassed a woman in his office and then used taxpayer resources to cover it up. They asked a special committee to recommend expelling Hoover from the House.

House rules require the Republican and Democratic leaders of the House to appoint six people to a special committee to investigate. Democrats appointed Reps. Sannie Overly, Joni Jenkins and Chris Harris. Republicans appointed Reps. Donna Mayfield, Diane St. Onge and Jason Petrie.

Republican state Rep. Jerry Miller will chair the committee, but will only vote to break a tie.

Overly, Harris, Petrie and St. Onge are attorneys, chosen for their legal expertise in conducting an investigation. Jenkins, a House member since 1995, has been a longtime advocate for preventing violence against women. Mayfield is retired from the U.S. Marshals.

Overly was House Majority Caucus chairwoman in 2013 when some female state workers sued then-Democratic lawmaker John Arnold, alleging sexual harassment. Overly was scheduled to give a deposition in the case in 2015 while she was a candidate for lieutenant governor. She sought to have that deposition sealed, fearing it would be used against her for political purposes. But the case ended up settling for \$400,000 and her deposition was not taken.

Overly did not return a phone call seeking comment. House

Democratic Caucus spokesman Brian Wilkerson said none of the Democratic members of the committee would comment.

Hoover told The Associated Press he believes the complaint is motivated by politics. Its signers include Republican Rep. Phil Moffett, who Hoover said has "wanted to be speaker since he got here." Hoover has denied sexual harassment, but said he sent inappropriate yet consensual text messages to a woman who once worked for the House Republican Caucus.

Moffett declined to respond to Hoover's comments, but said "we have a duty and a responsibility to discipline our members."

In November, Hoover announced he would resign as speaker but keep his seat in the legislature. But Tuesday, Hoover said he was only temporarily stepping aside as speaker "until further notice."

The settlement signed by Hoover and three other Republican lawmakers was handled outside of court and paid for with private money to avoid publicity. But the Courier Journal exposed the settlement, creating an uproar in a state that was transitioning to Republican rule after decades of dominance by Democrats.

The complaint was signed by Moffett and fellow Republican state Reps. Addia Wuchner, Kim King, Russell Webber, Stan Lee, Robert Benvenuti, Tim Moore and Joe Fischer. It says Hoover sent text messages to the woman requesting photos of her in a "black lace g string," saying they were "for my eyes only" and promising to delete them.

It also says Hoover created a hostile work environment by using his office to "conduct interviews and intimidate witnesses (who) had knowledge of his illicit relationship."

Fono convenes next Monday with State of the Territory address

by Fili Sagapolutele

Samoa News Correspondent

The Fono will convene next Monday for the third regular session of the 35th Legislature, and Gov. Lolo Matalasi Moliga will deliver his annual State of the Territory Address during a joint session at the Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium.

While there was no official word as of yesterday from the Governor's Office on proposed legislation the Administration plans to submit to the Fono during the new session, Lolo is expected to submit amendments to the 5% miscellaneous excise tax and the Fiscal Year 2018 supplemental budget, which were both vetoed by him during the last Fono session.

The governor is also expected to ask the Fono to revisit the 7% sales tax, which was tabled in both Senate and House committees during the last session.

The miscellaneous tax amendments and sales tax were among the new revenue measures proposed by the administration that would provide additional money for the ASG

coffers as well as fund the more than \$11 million supplemental budget. (See Samoa News Nov. 6 -7 editions for details.)

The Fono did pass — and the governor already signed into law — the administration's two other revenue bills: one hikes port fees and charges; and the other establishes a 1% alternative minimum business tax.

For cabinet nominations, the governor already confirmed during a cabinet meeting last month that he plans to submit the name of local attorney, Marie Alailima, as Administrative Law Judge; and Kenneth Tupua, as director for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

A nominee for director of the Dept. of Human and Social Services is also expected to be submitted — although a candidate is yet to be revealed.

In accordance with the constitution, the sitting governor delivers the State of the Territory Address on the second Monday of January every year. Issues traditionally covered in the address include current economic conditions, accomplish-

ments of the executive branch in the previous year, and plans for the new year as well as proposed legislation for Fono consideration.

Status of the economy, which faced serious challenges in 2016 and 2017, especially in the cannery and fishing industries, and the ASG's financial status heading into the new year, are two issues lawmakers and community members are eager to hear about, from the Lolo Administration.

This past Tuesday, the governor met with several directors to review the Administration's agenda before the Fono opens.

Yesterday, work continued on putting together the governor's annual report to the Fono.

As in past years, the administration's official written report to the Fono will be distributed in booklets to lawmakers, with copies to the media.

For Monday's joint session, House Speaker Savali Talavou Ale will take the lead while Senate President Gaoteote Tofau Palae will respond, on behalf of the Fono, to the governor's address.

UN Security Council to meet on Iran protests, at US request

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. Security Council is planning an emergency meeting about Iran on Friday, after the U.S. asked the world body to show support for Iran's anti-government protesters.

With council members divided in their views of the demonstrations that have roiled the Islamic Republic, it's not yet clear how the discussion will take shape or what might come out of it.

Alma Konurbayeva, a spokeswoman for current council president Kazakhstan, confirmed that Friday after-

noon's meeting is about Iran. The U.S. called on Tuesday for such a session, but council members could insist on a vote before taking up the topic, and it would take nine of the 15 votes to go forward.

"This is a matter of fundamental human rights for the Iranian people, but it is also a matter of international peace and security," the U.S. envoy, Nikki Haley, said in a statement

Thursday night. She added that it would be "telling if any country tries to deny the Security Council from even having this discussion."

Iran's interior minister said up to 42,000 people took part in the week of protests and unrest sparked by economic woes. At least 21 people have been killed and hundreds arrested. Meanwhile, tens of thousands of people took part in counter-demonstrations Wednesday backing the clerically overseen government, which has accused the U.S. of instigating the protests.

Iran's prosecutor general, Mohammad Jafar Montazeri, said Thursday that an American CIA official was the "main designer" of the demonstrations.



FILE - In this Feb. 13, 2017 file photo, Gholamali Khoshroo, Iran's Ambassador to the United Nations, speaks at a U.N. Security Council meeting at U.N. headquarters. As nationwide protests have shaken Iran over the last week, the Islamic Republic increasingly has blamed its foreign foes for fomenting the unrest. So far though, there is no direct evidence offered by Tehran to support that claim.

(AP Photo/Mark Lennihan, File)

ASPA explains Ta'u power outage on Jan. 1, 2018

PRESS RELEASE — Jan. 3, 2018 — The American Samoa Power Authority would like to apologize to its customers on Ta'u for a power outage that began at 2pm on Monday, January 1, 2018.

The cause of the outage was a trip in the PV system. In such an occurrence, the three diesel engines are programmed to start automatically and seamlessly provide power to users. While this back-up procedure has worked flawlessly in the past, the system's controllers prevented the generators from taking over.

Power Authority engineers were unable to remotely override the system. Consequently,

a crew was dispatched Tuesday morning to Ta'u and restored power at 10:15am.

The American Samoa Power Authority is proud of the Solar City/ Tesla Micro-Grid in Ta'u. It has been featured throughout the world; most recently in Puerto Rico as a solution to its power supply problems. We are working with engineers from the company to avoid a repeat of Monday's outage.

Once again, the Power Authority would like to apologize for any inconvenience the outage caused and expresses its gratitude for the patience and understanding shown by its customers.



This undated photo released by the Orange County District Attorney's Office shows Kyle Handley, a marijuana grower. Handley was found guilty Thursday, Jan. 4, 2017, of kidnapping, mayhem and torture. The 38-year-old Handley is one of four defendants in the gruesome case of the dispensary owner allegedly abducted from his Newport Beach home along with a female victim and driven to the desert where he was mutilated and dumped on the side of the road. (Orange County District

Man convicted of kidnap, torture of pot dispensary owner

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — A marijuana grower was convicted Thursday of kidnapping, torturing and mutilating a pot dispensary owner he mistakenly thought had buried \$1 million in the California desert.

Kyle Shirakawa Handley was found guilty of a 2012 assault that included burning the man with a blowtorch, shocking him with a Taser, splashing him with bleach and cutting off his penis. "We hope this verdict provides some solace to the victims in this case," prosecutor Matt Murphy said.

Handley, 38, of Fountain Valley, is one of three men who were accused of kidnapping the Newport Beach marijuana dispensary owner.

Handley, who had befriended the man, made trips to Las Vegas with him and came to believe that he had hidden profits from his cash-based pot business in the Mojave Desert, prosecutors said.

A scheme was hatched that used surveillance cameras and a GPS tracker to keep tabs on the dispensary owner for months,

both at his home and when he made trips to the desert, authorities said.

On Oct. 2, 2012, the kidnappers took the man and his roommate's girlfriend from their Newport Beach home, drove them to the desert and then tortured the man to make him reveal where he had buried money, prosecutors said.

At trial the dispensary owner testified that they continued to torture him even though he told them he hadn't buried any cash. Finally, after being convinced he had no money, the kidnappers cut off his penis and threw it from the window of the getaway van. Authorities never found it.

The kidnapped woman eventually was able to cut herself free of her bonds using a knife the kidnappers left her. She walked barefoot to a highway and flagged down a Kern County sheriff's deputy.

On Thursday, the dispensary owner breathed a sigh of relief as Handley was convicted of kidnapping for ransom, aggravated mayhem and torture.

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3	AGR 297	01	Environmental Service Learning Exchange	TR	12:30-01:20	2	210	IFAASAVALU	7	ENG 151	01	Freshman Composition	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	26	VMATUU
4	ANS 150A	01	Animal Science A	T	02:00-03:50	2	208	OHANSELL	8	ENG 151	02	Freshman Composition	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	27	BGOODWIN
5	ANS150B	01	Animal Science B	R	02:00-03:50	2	208	OHANSELL	9	ENG 151	03	Freshman Composition	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	TBA	BGOODWIN
6	AGR 250	01	Introduction to Horticulture	TR	09:30-10:50	3	208	IFAASAVALU	10	ENG 151	04	Freshman Composition	MWF	01:00-01:50	3	26	VMATUU
7	AGR 250L	01	Introduction to Horticulture Laboratory	R	02:00-04:50	1	210	IFAASAVALU	11	ENG 151	05	Freshman Composition	TR	09:30-10:50	3	TBA	SJOHNSON
8	NRS 200	01	Natural Resources	TR	11:00-12:20	3	208	IFAASAVALU	12	ENG 151	06	Freshman Composition	TR	11:00-12:20	3	TBA	SJOHNSON
9	NRS 200L	01	Natural Resources Laboratory	W	01:00-03:50	1	210	IFAASAVALU	13	ENG 250	01	Survey of Literature	MWF	08:00-08:50	3	27	JSIOLOGA
10	NUT 150	01	Nutrition	TR	09:00-10:20	3	210	PMCFALL	14	ENG 250	02	Survey of Literature	TR	09:30-10:50	3	26	VMATUU
11	FAM 250	01	Family Finance	TR	02:00 - 03:20	3	210	PMCFALL	15	ENG 250	03	Survey of Literature	TR	11:00-12:20	3	26	VMATUU
12	FAM 260	01	Parenting: Models for Guiding and Nurturing Children	MWF	09:00 - 09:50	3	210	PMCFALL	16	ENG 251	01	Sophomore Composition	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	27	JSIOLOGA
									17	ENG 251	02	Sophomore Composition	MWF	01:00-01:50	3	TBA	SJOHNSON
									18	ENG 251	03	Sophomore Composition	TR	11:00-12:20	3	TBA	JSIOLOGA
ARTS AND HUMANITIES									NURSING								
1	ART 151	01	Art History Survey II	TR	02:00-03:20	3	30	RMEREDITH	1	NUR 155	01	Intermediate Algebra	MWF	01:00-01:50	3	A35	AFELISE
2	ART 160	01	Design Fundamentals	MWF	10:00-11:50	3	B8	RMEREDITH	2	NUR 151	02	Intermediate Algebra	TR	09:30-10:50	3	A35	TLEIATO
3	ART 161	01	Art Forms of Samoa and the Pacific	MWF	12:00-01:50	3	B8	RMEREDITH	3	NUR 151	03	Intermediate Algebra	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	A35	LLIUFAU
4	ART 172	01	Painting	MWF	02:00-03:50	3	B8	STAFF	4	NUR 151	04	Intermediate Algebra	TR	11:00-12:20	3	A35	AFELISE
5	DNC 150	01	Basic Dance Movements	MWF	03:00-03:50	3	30	KTUIASOSOPO	5	NUR 151	05	Intermediate Algebra	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	A40	AFELISE
6	DRA 151	01	Drama Workshop	TR	11:00-12:20	3	30	KTUIASOSOPO	6	NUR 151	07	Intermediate Algebra	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	A40	TLEIATO
7	MUS 150	01	Music Fundamentals	MWF	02:00-02:50	3	30	LPUAAULI	7	NUR 155	01	Vocational Technical	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	A40	TLEIATO
8	MUS 160	01	Music Literature	MWF	08:00-08:50	3	29	LPUAAULI	8	NUR 250	01	College Algebra and Trigonometry	TR	08:00-09:50	4	A35	LLIUFAU
9	MUS 165	01	Music of the World	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	29	LPUAAULI	9	NUR 250	02	College Algebra and Trigonometry	TR	11:00-12:50	4	A40	LLIUFAU
10	MUS 170	01	Concert Choir	MWF	01:00-01:50	1	30	LPUAAULI	10	NUR 250	03	College Algebra and Trigonometry	MWF	02:00-03:10	4	A35	LLIUFAU
11	MUS 180	01	Band	TR	09:30-10:50	1	29	PMAGEO	11	NUR 250	04	College Algebra and Trigonometry	MWF	01:00-02:10	4	A35	LLIUFAU
12	MUS 187	01	Beginning Orchestra	TR	11:00-12:20	1	29	PMAGEO	12	NUR 260	01	Introduction to Statistics	TR	08:00-09:20	3	A35	AFELISE
13	SPH 153	01	Introduction to Speech	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	29	PMAGEO									
14	SPH 153	02	Introduction to Speech	MWF	02:00-02:50	3	29	PMAGEO									
15	PHIL 150	01	Introduction to Philosophy	TR	09:30-10:50	3	19	LTEMESE									
BUSINESS									PHYSICAL EDUCATION								
1	ACC 150	01	Principles of Accounting	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	20	ITAUAI	1	PED 150M	01	Men's Basketball	TR	09:30-10:50	1	GYM	EIMO
2	ACC 151	01	Financial Accounting	TR	09:30-10:50	3	20	ITAUAI	2	PED 151M	01	Men's Weight Training	TR	11:00-12:20	1	GYM	EIMO
3	ACC 152A	01	Payroll and Income Tax	TR	02:00-03:20	3	23	ITAUAI	3	PED 151W	01	Women's Weight Training	MWF	02:00-02:50	1	GYM	EIMO
4	ACC 210A	01	Managerial Cost Accounting	MWF	03:00-03:50	3	20	ITAUAI	4	PED 153	01	Beginning Tae Kwon Do	TR	04:00-05:20	1	GYM	JMARTINEZ
5	ACC 220	01	Automated Accounting	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	23	ITAUAI	5	PED 154	01	Golf	MWF	08:00-08:50	1	GYM	SSAMOA
6	BUS 103	01	Introduction to Business	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	23	FFAATOAFE	6	PED 155W	01	Women's Volleyball	MWF	10:00-10:50	1	GYM	SSAMOA
7	BUS 150	01	Financial Math	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	23	FFAATOAFE	7	PED 155M	01	Men's Volleyball	MWF	11:00-11:50	1	GYM	EIMO
8	BUS 160	01	Business Communication	TR	11:00-12:20	3	23	FFAATOAFE	8	PED 156	01	Introduction to Tennis	TR	02:00-03:20	1	GYM	SSAMOA
9	BUS 170	01	Ethics in the Workplace	MWF	08:00-08:50	3	23	FFAATOAFE									
10	BUS 180	01	Applied Business Statistics	MWF	02:00-02:50	3	20	LLAMYUEN									
11	BUS 260	01	Business Law	MWF	01:00-01:50	3	23	LLAMYUEN									
12	ECO 250A	01	Principles of Micro-Economics	TR	08:00-09:20	3	23	LLAMYUEN									
13	ECO 250B	01	Principles of Macro-Economics	MWF	02:00-02:50	3	23	ITAUAI									
14	MGT 250	01	Principles of Management	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	20	LLAMYUEN									
15	MGT 255	01	Human Relations & Organizational	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	20	LLAMYUEN									
16	MKT 195	01	Principles of Marketing	TR	09:30-10:50	3	23	LLAMYUEN									
17	MKT 212	01	Marketing and Management Practicum	TR	03:00-05:50	2	23	FFAATOAFE									

#	COURSE	SEC	TITLE	DAY	TIME	CR	ROOM	INSTRUCTOR	#	COURSE	SEC	TITLE	DAY	TIME	CR	ROOM	INSTRUCTOR									
20	MSC 280	01	Marine Science Special Projects	TR	02:00-04:50	2	A1	MCURTIS	13	ENG 081	153	Intermediate Writing	Daily	08:00-09:20	3	E5	EZARRAGA									
21	PHSCI 150	01	Physical Science	MWF	10:30-11:20	3	A45	MGOPALAN	14	ENG 081	154	Intermediate Writing	Daily	11:00-12:20	3	E1	EZARRAGA									
22	PHSCI 150L	01	Physical Science Laboratory	R	09:30-12:20	1	A45	MGOPALAN	15	ENG 090	155	Intermediate Writing	Daily	09:30-10:50	3	E3	LSAUNI									
SOCIAL SCIENCES																										
1	ANT 150	01	Introduction to Anthropology	MWF	08:00-08:50	3	9	B JACKSON	16	ENG 090	151	Advanced Reading	Daily	08:00-09:20	3	E3	SROPETI									
2	GEO 160	01	Introduction to Geography	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	9	AMOANA	17	ENG 090	152	Advanced Reading	Daily	11:00-12:20	3	E3	ESOKIMI									
3	POL 150	01	Introduction to American Government	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	7	SSEIGAFO	18	ENG 090	153	Advanced Reading	Daily	02:00-03:20	3	E3	ESOKIMI									
3	POL 151	01	Introduction to ASG	MWF	01:00-01:50	3	8	SSEIGAFO	19	ENG 091	154	Advanced Reading	Daily	08:00-09:20	3	M12	FCALUMPANG									
4	POL 170	01	Introduction to Public Policy	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	9	SSEIGAFO	20	ENG 091	151	Advanced writing	Daily	09:30-10:50	3	E4	SROPETI									
5	POL 250	01	Comparative Politics	TR	08:00-09:20	3	8	SSEIGAFO	21	ENG 091	152	Advanced Writing	Daily	08:00-09:20	3	E4	ESOKIMI									
6	PSY 150	03	Introduction to Psychology	MWF	02:00-02:50	3	19	TLEO	22	ENG 091	153	Advanced Writing	Daily	11:00-12:20	3	E4	FCALUMPANG									
7	PSY 150	03	Introduction to Psychology	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	19	TLEO	23	ENG 091	154	Advanced Writing	Daily	02:00-03:20	3	E4	FCALUMPANG									
8	PSY 250	01	Human Development	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	19	TLEO	MATH: First Session																	
9	SOC 150	01	Introduction to Sociology	TR	08:00-09:20	3	20	TLEO	1	MAT 080	151	Preparatory Math	Daily	10:00-11:50	4	M12C	AMATAUTIA									
TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY																										
1	ABR 100	01	Introduction to Automotive Collision	TR	08:00-09:20	3	ATL C	ATUIOLOSEGA	2	MAT 080	152	Preparatory Math	Daily	02:00-03:50	4	M12C	AMATAUTIA									
2	ADT 150	01	Architectural Drafting I	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	B18	VTALAMONI	3	MAT 080	153	Preparatory Math	Daily	02:00-03:50	4	A14	SMOSE									
3	ADT 160	01	Introduction to AutoCAD	TR	10:00-11:20	3	B18	VTALAMONI	4	MAT 080	154	Preparatory Math	Daily	08:00-09:50	4	A14	AMOEFAINU									
4	ADT 215	01	Construction Codes	TR	02:00-03:20	3	B18	VTALAMONI	5	MAT 080	155	Preparatory Math	Daily	10:00-11:50	4	M12B	SMOSE									
5	ADT 280	01	Elements of Structural Drawing	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	B18	VTALAMONI	6	MAT 090	151	Elementary Algebra	Daily	10:00-11:50	4	A14	MPORTER									
6	AUTO 100	01	Fundamentals of Automotive Mechanics	MWF	08:00-08:50	3	ATL C	PNGLAM	7	MAT 090	152	Elementary Algebra	Daily	02:00-03:50	4	A40	MPORTER									
7	AUTO 172	01	Automotive Engine Performance	MWF	10:00-12:30	6	ATL B	FSUISALA	8	MAT 090	153	Elementary Algebra	Daily	01:00-02:50	4	TBA	ETOFILEAU									
8	AUTO 178	01	Automotive Electrical/Electronic Sys	TR	09:00-12:50	6	ATL B	FSUISALA	9	MAT 090	154	Elementary Algebra	Daily	01:00-02:50	4	M12B	AMOEFAINU									
9	BPR 200	01	Blueprint Reading	MWF	01:00-01:50	3	B18	VTALAMONI	10	MAT 090	155	Elementary Algebra	Daily	08:00-09:50	4	M12C	ETOFILEAU									
10	CARP 120	01	Plans, Building Codes, and Specification	MWF	09:00-09:50	3	ATL C	DFAUMUI	ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE: 2ND SESSION																	
11	CET 150	01	Plane Surveying I	MW	04:00-05:50	4	ATL C	PIOANE	1	ENG 070	251	Beginning Reading	Daily	08:00 - 09:20	3	E1	EFAALAFI									
12	CET 160	01	Introductions to Geographic Info. System	TR	04:00-05:20	3	ATL C	PIOANE	2	ENG 070	252	Beginning Reading	Daily	09:30 - 10:50	3	E1	PLAFAELE									
13	CET 265	01	Hydraulics and Hydrology	TR	04:00-05:20	3	TBA	ENOGA	3	ENG 071	251	Beginning Writing	Daily	09:30 - 10:50	3	E1	EFAALAFI									
14	CET 299	01	Cooperative Work Internship	MW	08:00-09:50	4	IPW	STAFF	4	ENG 071	252	Beginning Writing	Daily	11:00 - 12:20	3	E2	PLAFAELE									
15	ETP 100	01	Basic Electrical Theory I	MWF	04:00-04:50	3	B23	RPEAU	5	ENG 080	251	Intermediate Reading	Daily	08:00 - 09:20	3	E2	PTAVAI									
16	ETP 120	01	Basic Electrical Theory II	TR	09:00-10:20	3	B23	JMARTINEZ	6	ENG 080	252	Intermediate Reading	Daily	09:30 - 10:50	3	TBA	EZARRAGA									
17	ETP 130	01	National Electrical Code (NEC)	TR	01:00-02:20	3	TBA	STAFF	7	ENG 080	253	Intermediate Reading	Daily	11:00 - 12:20	3	E5	LSAUNI									
18	ETP 299A	01	Cooperative Work Internship	R	03:00-03:50	1	B23	JMARTINEZ	8	ENG 081	251	Intermediate Writing	Daily	09:30 - 10:50	3	E5	PTAVAI									
19	ELE 151	01	Electronics	MWF	01:00-02:50	4	B23	JMARTINEZ	9	ENG 081	252	Intermediate Writing	Daily	11:00 - 12:20	3	E2	EZARRAGA									
20	ELE 299A	01	Electronics Systems Practicum	F	03:00-03:50	1	B23	JMARTINEZ	10	ENG 081	253	Intermediate Writing	Daily	08:00 - 09:20	3	E5	LSAUNI									
21	ICT 161	01	Networking for Home and Small Business	MWF	09:00-10:50	4	B23	JMARTINEZ	MATH: 2ND SESSION																	
22	WLD 100	01	Welding Fundamentals and Metallurgy	TR	10:00-11:20	3	ATL C	DBRANDT	1	MAT 080	251	Preparatory Math	Daily	10:00-11:50	4	M12C	AMATAUTIA									
23	ICT 150	01	Introduction to Computers	MWF	08:00-09:30	3	LAB A	ESEIULI	2	MAT 080	252	Preparatory Math	Daily	02:00-03:50	4	M12C	AMATAUTIA									
24	ICT 150	02	Introduction to Computers	MWF	10:00-11:30	3	LAB A	ESEIULI	3	MAT 080	253	Preparatory Math	Daily	02:00-03:50	4	A14	MPORTER									
25	ICT 150	03	Introduction to Computers	MWF	09:00-10:30	3	LAB B	RLESA	4	MAT 090	251	Elementary Algebra	Daily	08:00-09:50	4	A14	AMOEFAINU									
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27	ICT 150	05	Introduction to Computers	TR	01:30-03:50	3	LAB B	RLESA	6	MAT 090	253	Elementary Algebra	Daily	10:00 - 11:50	4	M12A	ETOFILEAU									
28	ICT 150	06	Introduction to Computers	MWF	10:30-12:00	3	LAB B	JFUNGCHENPEN	7	MAT 090	254	Elementary Algebra	Daily	02:00 - 03:50	4	M12A	ETOFILEAU									
29	ICT 150	07	Introduction to Computer	MWF	12:00-01:30	3	LAB B	JFUNGCHENPEN	8	MAT 090	255	Elementary Algebra	Daily	01:00 - 02:50	4	M12B	AMOEFAINU									
30	ICT 150	08	Introduction to Computer	TR	10:00-12:20	3	LAB	JFUNGCHENPEN	9	MAT 090	256	Element														



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LOCAL LEUKEMIA WARRIOR FINALLY GETS LONG AWAITED BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT

For seven years, Sharring Faamalo Aoelua Fanene Niusulu (from Afono, Aua and Nu'uuli) has been in search of a bone marrow match since she was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) in 2010.

In an effort to find a bone marrow match, she returned to American Samoa in 2011 to host a Bone Marrow Registry Drive, not just for herself, but for all those cancer patients in need of a bone marrow transplant.

According to the American Samoa Community Cancer Coalition (ASCCC), studies show that people with the same racial and ethnic background are more likely to have the same tissue traits. Unfortunately, none of Sharring's family members were a full match. Polynesian cancer patients have a harder time finding a match.

However, with modern improvements in medicine and technology, Sharring's brother, Elefasa Aoelua was determined eligible to be Sharring's bone marrow donor. Recently, Sharring received her bone marrow transplant in Texas, with the love and help of her brother.

Her mother, Faleula Aoelua-Sappa received the ASCCC \$500 stipend check for her daughter who is recovering from her transplant surgery. She was born on Christmas Day so her family chose "Sharring" as her first name. Mrs. Aoelua-Sappa expresses her love to all those who continue to "share" their money and gifts so that people like her daughter can receive help in their time of need. She said Christmas was a lot merrier for her daughter and family, and Sharring will be using the money to pay off some bills. ASCCC prays for a speedy recovery for both Sharring Niusulu and her brother Elefasa Aoelua.

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P.M. REJECTS CALL TO LEGALIZE MARIJUANA

Prime Minister Tuilaepa Dr. Sa'ilele Malielegaoi has flatly rejected a call for the government to consider legalizing marijuana for medicinal purposes.

Speaking during his weekly media session yesterday, Tuilaepa said the government would never entertain the idea because they care about the welfare of Samoans, especially innocent young children.

"The reason most countries ban this stuff is because of the impact it has on the lives of the general public, especially young children. This is why this stuff is illegal," Tuilaepa said.

"It's the same reason 'ice' is illegal because it has caused a lot of mental problems for young kids. There have been cases where some people who were high on this stuff only find out after they're high that they had killed someone. And yet they couldn't recognize that when they were high."

Tuilaepa said he does not want anything like that to happen to Samoa.

The Prime Minister was asked for a comment on the call

by senior lawyer, Unasa Iuni Sapolu, who said legalizing cannabis would help Samoa's economy through the export of medicinal marijuana.

She believes this will help reduce the number of inmates housed at Tafa'igata Prison.

"Furthermore it will save costs to Samoa when all those imprisoned for possession of marijuana etc. are no longer fed in jail, no longer accommodated in jail and there are no more criminal offenses relating to marijuana," she added. "For health reasons, those with cystic fibrosis, epilepsy, cancer, depression and other health problems can be treated with marijuana."

She told the Samoa Observer the government is wasting money and the Court's time on dealing with marijuana offenses. "Stop listening to white agendas, colonized minds; it's just a plant, legalize it and reduce government indebtedness."

But Tuilaepa will not budge. He says the call reflects badly on Unasa and everyone who took part during the recent Samoa Solidarity International protest march.

(Source: Samoa Observer)

SAMOA POLICE THANK FAMILY FOR HELP IN CAPTURING PRISONER

Samoa police have thanked members of a family at Vaiusu, a village west of Apia, for their swift action, which led to the capture of one of two escaped prisoners.

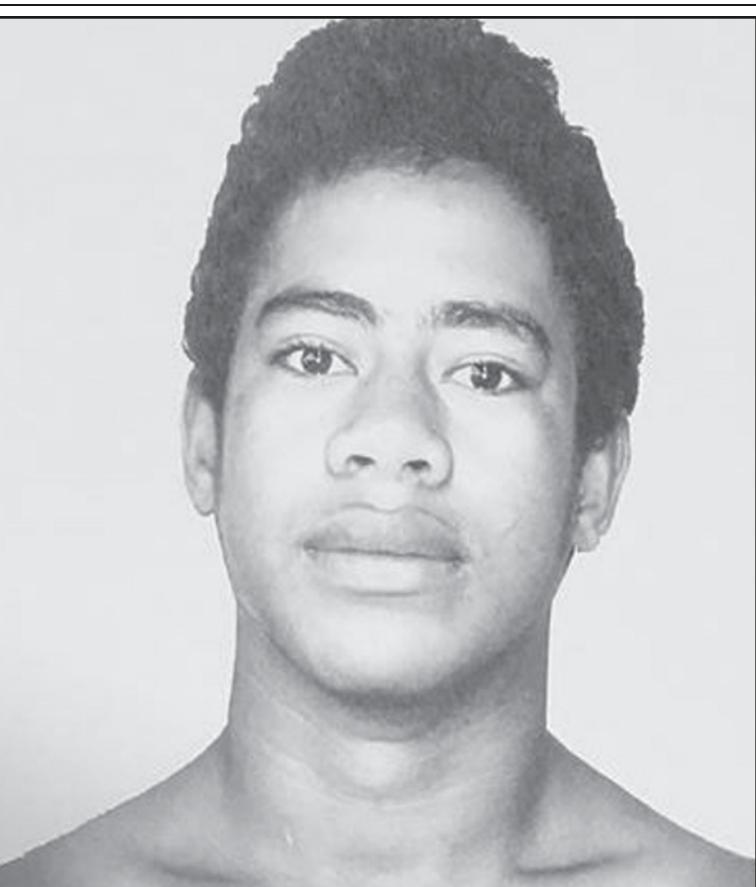
Aniseko Vaelei was spotted by the family members who gave chase. They restrained the prisoner while the police were called. The police arrived shortly after and took Vaelei into custody.

Vaelei was one of four prisoners who broke out of prison four days before Christmas. Two were caught the same day, including notorious prison escapee, Lautiiti Tualima.

Manuleleua remains on the run.

(Source: RNZI)
CNMI UTILITY TO LEND LINEMEN TO PUERTO RICO

The Northern Marianas is sending four linemen and administrative staff to Puerto Rico to help with the island's restoration efforts after being hit by Hurricane Maria in September last year.



Police image of escapee Aniseko Vaelei who was recently captured in Vaiusu, Vaelei was one of four prisoners who broke out of prison four days before Christmas. Two were caught the same day, including notorious prison escapee, Lautiiti Tualima. Only one prisoner, Manuleleua, remains on the run.

[photo: supplied]

The Commonwealth Utilities Corporation Executive Director Gary Camacho said the CUC was asked by the American Public Power Association to join other public power utilities in this endeavor.

He said the assistance is an international effort of all the 2,200 member utilities where CUC has been a member for the last 20 years.

He also said the CNMI is repaying the help it got when

Typhoon Soudelor knocked off its power grid more than two years ago.

Hurricane Maria was regarded as the worst natural disaster on record in Dominica and Puerto Rico.

As of November, at least 547 people were killed by the hurricane: 499 in Puerto Rico, 31 in Dominica, 5 in the Dominican Republic, 4 in the contiguous United States, 3 in Haiti, 2 in

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this is the reason why Manu'a residents travel here to make their purchases.

He said while he understands that the cost of fuel to operate the vessel is high, the government should look at Manu'a residents, who already carry a heavy financial burden, something they "continue to face."

Fetui, who has been a lawmaker for many years, said he has been fighting for Manu'a residents since he came to the Fono and "I will continue to do so, because we need help."

He believes the Manu'a forefathers didn't want island residents to face this type of

hardship for long. "At least our government pays half of these services for Manu'a," he said in a sad tone, but added,

"I will always fight, along with my Manu'a colleague, Rep. Vesi Fautanu in the House, for Manu'a residents."

Meanwhile, the woman who spoke to Samoa News said the \$65 increase in shipping charges (\$135 to \$200) "is a lot of money that can go to other family obligations or buy material for her children's school uniforms, instead of my family having to give it to Port Administration."

► Police...

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yesterday that many of those who showed up on Wednesday were cannery workers who wanted to renew their health cards before they return to work on Jan. 15th. Some cannery workers were off island

and recently return to the territory and were rushing to get their health cards. With Monday being a New Year's Day holiday — offices were closed — which led to people packing the clinic on Wednesday.





Prospective buyers inspect the quality of frozen tuna fish before the first auction of the year at Tsukiji fish market in Tokyo Friday, Jan. 5, 2018. A 892 pound (405 kilogram) bluefin tuna has been sold for 36.5 million yen (\$320,000) in what may really be Tsukiji market's last auction at its current site in downtown Tokyo. The winning bid Friday for the prized but threatened species was well below the record 155.4 million yen bid at 2013's annual New Year auction. This year's top per kilogram price was \$1,419 per kilogram, compared with about \$7,930 per kilogram for the 2013 record-setting auction price.

(AP Photo/Eugene Hoshiko)

Bluefin tuna sold for \$320,000 in Tsukiji's last new year

TOKYO (AP) — An 892 pound (405 kilogram) bluefin tuna has sold for 36.5 million yen (\$320,000) in what may really be Tsukiji market's last auction at its current site in downtown Tokyo, local media reports said Friday.

The winning bid for the prized but threatened species at the predawn auction was well below the record 155.4 million yen bid at 2013's annual New Year auction. It amounts to about 90,000 yen (\$798) per kilogram and was paid by a local wholesaler, the reports said.

This year's top per kilogram price, for a smaller tuna, was \$1,419 per kilogram, compared with about \$7,930 per kilogram for the 2013 record-setting auction price, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun and other local media reported. The 30.4 million yen (\$260,000) price was paid by Kiyomura Corp., whose owner Kiyoshi Kimura runs the Sushi Zanmai chain, the reports said. Kimura has often won the annual auction in the past.

The new year auction prices are way above the usual price

paid for bluefin tuna at Tsukiji, which at the end of the year was 4,500 yen (\$40) per kilogram.

"Obviously the price doesn't reflect the true market price of the fish. It's wrapped in with the ceremonial aspects of the auction," said Jamie Gibbon of the Pew Trust's global conservation team.

The reports said the top priced tuna was one of the biggest ever sold at the auction.

Last year's New Year auction was supposed to be the last at Tsukiji's current location, as was the New Year auction the year before. The market's shift to a new facility on a former gas plant site on Tokyo Bay has been repeatedly delayed due to concerns over soil contamination.

Japanese are the biggest consumers of the torpedo-shaped bluefin tuna, and surging consumption here and overseas has led to overfishing of the species. Experts warn it faces possible extinction, with stocks of Pacific bluefin depleted by more than 97 percent from their pre-industrial levels.

There are signs of progress toward protecting the bluefin,

though. Japan has begun enforcing laws banning catches that exceed quotas, with violators subject to fines or possible jail time. Japan and other governments recently agreed on a plan to rebuild Pacific bluefin stocks, with a target of 20 percent of historic levels by 2034.

"There are good signs coming out of late 2017," Gibbon said in a phone interview. But he added, "We want to see countries reaffirm their commitment to strong domestic management so that they don't exceed their catch quotas."

Tsukiji is one of Tokyo's most popular tourist destinations as well as the world's biggest fish market. It was due to move to the new site, at Toyosu, in 2016. Tokyo Gov. Yuriko Koike postponed the relocation but after months of political haggling and uncertainty she announced the move would go ahead. The new market is due to open on Oct. 11, 2018.

Tsukiji is due to eventually be redeveloped. The plan to move was unpopular with many of the businesses in and around the market.

Bomb charge added against man after San Francisco arrest

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A federal grand jury indicted a California man Thursday on charges of plotting to use homemade bombs during a Christmas Day attack on San Francisco's Pier 39.

Everitt Aaron Jameson intended to use pipe bombs to funnel people into an area of the popular tourist destination in order to shoot them, the indictment alleges. The indictment replaces a criminal complaint

against Jameson, 26, a Modesto tow-truck driver, but keeps the original charge of attempting to aid a terrorist organization. He's now also charged with distributing information relating to destructive devices.

The FBI arrested Jameson Dec. 22 after he talked about his plans to undercover agents, including one he thought was associated with the Islamic State group. The indictment and a previously released FBI affidavit

say he described to agents how to build pipe bombs, described where he intended to assemble the bombs, asked for remote timers, and described how he intended to use the bombs "to funnel people into an area in order to shoot them."

Assistant federal defender Charles Lee said he hadn't been presented with the evidence and that his office would investigate the possibility of an entrapment defense. However, he filed court papers saying that Jameson is mentally ill and didn't have the means to carry out the alleged plot, The Fresno Bee reported. Lee said the FBI found no

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13th person dies week after apartment fire caused by toddler

NEW YORK (AP) — A 13th person has died from injuries suffered in one of New York City's deadliest fires in decades.

Police say 27-year-old Holt Francis was critically injured in the Dec. 28 Bronx apartment building fire and died at a hospital on Thursday. They say the fire was caused by a 3-year-old boy playing with stove burners.

Francis' wife, their two daughters and a niece also were

killed in the fire.

Eight adults and five children died in the fire. Among them was 28-year-old Emmanuel Mensah, who rescued a number of people that night before going back into the burning building and dying of smoke inhalation.

Fire Commissioner Daniel Nigro (NY'-grob) says the fire started on a stove and raced through a door and up five floors.



FILE- This Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, file photo shows broken windows on the back of the building where more than 10 people died in a fire in the Bronx borough of New York. Police say Holt Francis was critically injured in the apartment building fire and died at a hospital on Thursday, Jan. 4, 2018. It was one of New York City's deadliest fires in decades. (AP Photo/Andres Kudacki, File)

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Guadeloupe, and 3 in the United States Virgin Islands.

Dozens of others, mostly in Dominica and Puerto Rico, are still missing.

Puerto Rico suffered catastrophic damage, including destruction of its previously damaged electrical grid.

(Source: RNZI)

ASAU MOVES TO PROTECT WOMEN

The Asau Village Council has a zero tolerance for violence against women.

To prove they are serious, they have recently approved policies that will see men who assault their wives banned from the village.

This was confirmed by the village's Member of Parliament and Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, Lopao'o Natanielu Mua, who is also a chief in the village of Asau.

"The females are the most precious beings on this earth," he said. "They are gentle and at the same time, they get things done."

"That is why for Asau Village, our women are special. We will do everything within our authority to assure that our women are protected, even from

their husbands," said Lopao'o.

He says the policy is fairly new and it coincides with the campaign by the Ministry of Women Community and Social Development to stop the violence against women and children.

"The fact that this has been preached in every corner of our country, it's about time that our concerns are addressed in the villages and that something is done about it."

"It all comes down to us, men who are the head of the families and chiefs in our villages."

"We see the issue and we step in to fix it. Asau does not condone violence against their women."

"Women from Asau and women who are married into our village, are all protected," he said.

According to Lopao'o, they will also ban men and women who are convicted of sexual offenses.

"We will not tolerate such behavior in Asau."

The Minister hopes other villages will follow the example that Asau has put in place.

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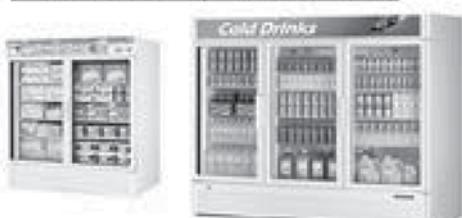
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Fake millionaire tycoon gets prison for online dating scam

NEW YORK (AP) — A man who posed along the East Coast as a millionaire oil tycoon to scam women on internet dating sites out of hundreds of thousands of dollars was sentenced on Thursday to nearly four years in prison.

U.S. District Judge Laura Taylor Swain described John Edward Taylor as sick and dangerous as she ordered him to serve three years and 10 months in prison in addition to 14 months he served after a related Virginia conviction.

The judge said 16 of Taylor's two dozen victims from New York to Atlanta lost from several hundred dollars to more than \$50,000 after encountering his "quest for money, respect, admiration and control." She said some victims, who lost a total of more than \$290,000, were left financially ruined while others had credit ratings ruined or were left suffering from fear, depression, anxiety and concern for their personal safety.

The scam ended after a married couple who met Taylor at a Philadelphia Phillies game they attended with their children on April 25, 2015, reported him to the FBI.

The father, identified in court only as D.S., was among six victims who spoke at the sentencing as Taylor drooped his head at the defense table.

The father said Taylor, 48, boasted he was a billionaire oil tycoon as he led the family, including a child with special needs, onto a special elevator and down to first-row seats, where everyone from ushers to spectators gushed what a good guy Taylor was.

Only later, the father said, did the family learn Taylor "was a fraud, a fake and a phony."

The father said his family,

which lost a few hundred dollars, was duped by "a very, very charismatic man."

"It's easy to fall under his spell," the father said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jonathan Rebold requested a meaningful prison sentence, saying Taylor had more than 10 past contacts with the criminal justice system.

Rebold said Taylor from 2009 to 2016 boasted he was a millionaire businessman with oil and land interests in North Dakota to victims on online matchmaking and networking websites such as Match.com, eHarmony, Craigslist and Seeking Arrangement.

Sometimes, Taylor expressed interest in hiring the victims to work on a new business venture while others got a pitch for a romantic or personal relationship, the prosecutor said.

Later, Taylor would sometimes steal the identities of victims to make purchases, transfer funds, open new accounts or use their credit cards, he said.

Once confronted, Taylor would threaten to transmit sexually explicit images he had coerced from victims to their employers if they tried to collect debts, Rebold said.

Defense attorney Julia Gatto requested leniency, saying Taylor, in a "mental health crisis," attempted suicide in prison and tried to disfigure himself by carving writings into his arm. She said a long prison sentence "could kill Mr. Taylor."

Taylor, his left forearm wrapped in cloth, choked up as he apologized to victims he never looked at. He called himself a liar and a "bragging, arrogant thief." But he added he had found "new morals" and would not repeat his crimes.

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bomb-making materials when they searched his home, and that two rifles and a handgun were legally owned by a relative and were locked in a gun case where Jameson couldn't get them.

He said the federal charges are built only on statements his client posted on his Facebook page. Lee added that his client told the FBI undercover employee: "I also don't think I can do this after all. I've reconsidered."

Jameson was discharged from the Marine Corps after little more than four months in 2009 for failing to disclose a history of asthma. The FBI affidavit said he asked for a fully automatic assault rifle and noted

that he earned a sharpshooter qualification. That is a basic marksmanship qualification and Jameson was never trained as a sniper during the brief time he spent at Camp Pendleton, California, said Marine spokeswoman Yvonne Carllock.

Jameson is set for a court hearing Friday in federal court in Fresno.

Federal Magistrate Judge Erica Grosjean last week ordered him detained without bail in part because he has no substantial known financial resources. She also found that Jameson has a history relating to drug abuse and appears to have a mental condition that may affect whether he would show up for future hearings.

Las Vegas' 'What happens here' slogan returns after shooting

LAS VEGAS (AP) — "What happens here, stays here."

The official slogan of Las Vegas is back by popular demand three months after it was paused following the mass shooting that rattled the city.

The destination's tourism agency revived the 15-year-old slogan this week in a new ad running online and on several TV networks nationwide, marking a return to normalcy in the city where the backbone industry was directly affected by the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history.

The ad shows some of the city's iconic casinos as part of a time-travel story line.

Cathy Tull, senior vice president of marketing for the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, said the public agency tests its advertising regularly with focus groups and others. It did so after the shooting and results showed the slogan still resonated with people.

"We went back out and we weren't sure where visitors would be with the mindset around 'What happens here, stays here,'" she said. "What we heard from our research was

that people wanted their Vegas back."

The ad shows a scientist getting in a time-traveling machine and arriving at the Las Vegas Strip in 2018 in front of the Bellagio casino-hotel fountains. He is shown dining, partying at a nightclub and taking part in a pool party at Caesars Palace casino-hotel before going back in time still holding a cocktail.

Networks airing the ad include Travel Channel, Food Network and USA.

On Oct. 1, a high-stakes gambler killed 58 people and injured hundreds more after he shattered the windows of his suite on the 32nd floor of the Mandalay Bay hotel-casino and unleashed gunfire on a country music festival below before killing himself.

The agency immediately put the "What happens here" motto on hold and went to work creating a new pitch.

A spot featured a cityscape and the voice of Las Vegas native and retired tennis star Andre Agassi. "What is strength?" Agassi asked, playing off the #VegasStrong slogan that exploded on Twitter. "Strength is valet parkers who become

medics, mothers who become emergency responders."

A TV ad that followed and aired on several networks, including ESPN, Fox Sports and Bravo, featured real-life social media messages posted after the shooting.

The destination saw monthly declines in visitation from June through November. December figures are expected to be released at the end of the month.

Larry Kamer, a marketing and public relations consultant in the San Francisco Bay Area, said that while "Vegas Strong" became a rallying cry after the shooting, it would be a mistake for the city to wrap its identity around it any longer than it feels it is necessary.

He added that if "What happens here" continues to evoke sly smiles and tested better than any other alternatives, it's a safe bet.

"The campaign works because it's playful, it's kind of a wink, an inside joke, and it draws on the old Sin City element of Las Vegas," he said. "If it can still elicit that feeling and the shooting didn't fundamentally change that, I would argue it still works."

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Decedent

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In small breakthrough, Koreas will meet for talks on Tuesday

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)

— The rival Koreas will sit down for their first formal talks in more than two years next week to find ways to cooperate on the Winter Olympics in the South and to improve their abysmal ties, Seoul officials said Friday. While a positive sign after last year's threats of nuclear war, the Koreas have a long history of failing to move past their deep animosity.

The announcement came hours after the United States said it will delay annual military exercises with South Korea until after the Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea, next month. The exercises infuriate North Korea, which claims they are an invasion rehearsal, although South Korea and the United States have repeatedly said they are defensive in nature.

On Friday morning, North Korea sent a message saying it would accept South Korea's offer to meet at the border village of Panmunjom next Tuesday to discuss Olympic cooperation and how to improve overall ties, according to South Korea's Unification Ministry, which handles North Korean matters. Panmunjom is where a North Korean soldier dashed across the border into the South in November. He is recovering after being shot five times by

his former comrades.

Unification Ministry spokesman Baik Tae-hyun said he expects the two Koreas will use a recently restored cross-border communication channel to try to determine who will head their respective delegations next week.

Any dialogue between the Koreas is seen as a positive step. But critics say the North's abrupt push to improve ties may be a tactic to divide Seoul and Washington and weaken international pressure and sanctions on Pyongyang.

In his New Year's address Monday, North Korean leader Kim Jong Un said he was willing to send a delegation to the Winter Olympics but he also said he has a "nuclear button" on his desk to fire atomic weapons at the United States. President Donald Trump quickly responded that he had a bigger and more powerful "nuclear button" of his own.

Past breakthroughs to ease Korean tensions have often ended with renewed animosities. It's likely the North will refrain from provocations during the Games. But tensions could return afterward because the North has no intention of abandoning its weapons programs and the United States will not ease its pressure on the country, analysts say.



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AP Source: Trump had lawyer urge AG against Russia recusal

WASHINGTON (AP)

— President Donald Trump directed his White House counsel to tell Attorney General Jeff Sessions to not recuse himself from the Justice Department's investigation into potential ties between Russia and the Trump campaign, according to a person familiar with the matter. The conversation between Don McGahn, the president's White House counsel, and Sessions took place on the president's orders and occurred just before the attorney general announced that he would step aside from the ongoing inquiry into Russian meddling in the 2016 presidential election, according to a person with knowledge of the interaction.

Two other people confirmed details of the conversation between McGahn and Sessions. All three people spoke on condition of anonymity to The Associated Press to avoid publicly discussing an ongoing investigation.

The episode is known to special counsel Robert Mueller and his team of prosecutors and is likely of interest to them as they look into whether Trump's actions as president, including the May firing of FBI Director James Comey, amount to improper efforts to obstruct the Russia investigation. Investigators recently concluded a round

of interviews with current and former White House officials, including McGahn and former White House chief of staff Reince Priebus.

The New York Times first reported that Trump had McGahn lobby Sessions against a recusal. Reached Thursday evening, Trump personal attorney John Dowd said, "I know nothing about that," and hung up. Jay Sekulow, another of the president's personal lawyers, did not immediately respond to a phone message seeking comment.

The White House also did not immediately respond to a request for comment. Sessions announced on March 2 that he would recuse himself from the Russia probe. He said at the time that he should not oversee any investigation into a campaign for which he was an active and vocal supporter, though the recusal also followed the revelation that he had had two previously undisclosed interactions during the 2016 campaign with the Russian ambassador to the United States. At his Jan. 10 confirmation hearing, he had said that he had no meetings with Russians during the campaign.

But soon before the announcement, with White House officials anticipating that Sessions

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