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# The American Samoa National U17 Women's Beach Handball Team, after winning a silver medal at the Oceania Women's beach Handball Championships held in South Australia.



Australia qualified for the 2018 IHF Beach Handball World Championship, in both the men's and women's categories, with victories at the Oceania Beach Handball Championship in South Australia. The qualification matches were held as part of the Australian Beach Handball Open Club Championship, which took place in Glenelg from February 22 to 25.

In the women's competition, Australia defeated both New Zealand and American Samoa 2:0, while American Samoa beat New Zealand 2:1 to finish second.

American Samoa was represented by our Under 17 team, who attended the event in Australia as part of their preparations for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires in October.

"We've really enjoyed the opportunity to play teams of a high level and are excited to see the girls' growth. To win the silver has been good for confidence as preparation for our Youth Olympic Games campaign," said President of the American Samoa Handball Federation Carl J. Sagapolutele Floor Sr.

[photo: courtesy]





# IN THE COMMUNITY

(Photos: Leua)

## 'We ain't done!' Irish rally stuns Va Tech at ACC tourney



Notre Dame forward Martinas Geben (23) shoots against Virginia Tech guard Devin Wilson (11) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game in the second round of the Atlantic Coast Conference men's tournament Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in New York. (AP Photo/Julie Jacobson)

By **MIKE FITZPATRICK, AP Sports Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) — Bonzie Colson pounded his chest and screamed in triumph. Matt Farrell looked over at former Notre Dame star LaPhonso Ellis, broadcasting courtside for ESPN, and yelled: "I told you Phonso, we ain't done!"

The biggest comeback in Fighting Irish history came just in time Wednesday night — and that was worth hollering about.

Colson banked in a go-ahead, 3-point heave that barely beat the shot clock with two minutes remaining, and Notre Dame rallied from 21 down in the second half to stun Virginia Tech 71-65 at the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament.

"How about that, huh?" Fighting Irish coach Mike Brey said. "I've never been prouder of a group, because they were thumping us pretty good."

Farrell scored 22 points for the 10th-seeded Irish (20-13), who overcame a dreadful start in extending their late push to reach the NCAA Tournament.

Finally healthy after injuries to Colson and Farrell nearly wrecked a promising season, Notre Dame advanced to play Thursday night in the ACC quarterfinals against fifth-ranked and second-seeded Duke, the defending tournament champion.

Do the Irish need to win at least that one, too, in order to make the field of 68?

Hard to say — but they sure woke up the echoes on this snowy night in Brooklyn.

"I've never been a big guy to campaign, but I think we really deserve to be in," Brey said. "When I have my guys back, we're a top-20 team, and I think people on that committee know that. I feel strongly that we should be part of it. We have another great opportunity to end all the drama of it (Thursday) night, but we need to get some rest."

With the Irish stars struggling to make shots, seventh-seeded Virginia Tech (21-11) was cruising along with a 47-26 lead with 14 minutes remaining when Farrell drained his second consecutive 3.

That started a ferocious surge that got a feisty Notre Dame squad back into it. The game got a little testy as the Irish picked up the intensity and the Hokies went cold on offense.

"We disintegrated. We didn't guard. They scored 45 points in the last 15 minutes," Virginia Tech coach Buzz Williams said. "Just completely fell apart the last 15 minutes defensively."

A technical foul on Virginia Tech swingman Chris Clarke for shoving Farrell led to four Notre Dame free throws that trimmed it to 54-50 with 7:45

to go. "He flopped and fell on the ground," Clarke insisted.

Regardless, the Irish took advantage.

Colson connected on a long, desperation shot from the right wing that finally gave them a 60-59 edge. After the ball banked in, he kissed three fingers on each hand and gestured to the crowd with arms raised.

"That felt good. Backboard is there for a reason," said Colson, who shot 1 of 10 in the first half and looked winded much of the night. "Those are the shots that you've got to hit during those times." Notre Dame extended its advantage at the free throw line the rest of the way. And when it was over, Farrell and Colson embraced in a big bear hug, senior to senior.

"That meant a lot to us. Just everything we've gone through. It was just a great win for us, and it was kind of emotional," Farrell said. "He's been a brother to me for my four years here."

Colson, a preseason All-American in his fourth game back from a broken foot, finished with 12 points on 4-of-14 shooting. Rex Pflueger had 14 points and nine rebounds, and T.J. Gibbs added 13 points and seven assists for Notre Dame.

"All the stuff they've been through, they're such tough dudes," Brey said. "And tonight you saw it."



# Texas downs Iowa St. 68-64 behind play of Osetkowski



Iowa State's Cameron Lard shoots during the first half of the team's NCAA college basketball game against Texas in the Big 12 men's tournament Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in Kansas City, Mo. (AP Photo/Charlie Riedel)

By **DAVE SKRETTA, AP Sports Writer**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Dylan Osetkowski provided the points, Jericho Sims pulled down the rebounds and Kerwin Roach was the glue that held Texas together during its Big 12 Tournament win over Iowa State.

Which was altogether fitting, considering glue wound up holding Roach's tooth together.

The veteran guard took a wicked elbow to his mouth midway through the first half Wednesday night, sending half of his front tooth skittering across the floor. He got it glued together at halftime, came back to make some crucial plays down the stretch, and ultimately helped the seventh-seeded Longhorns to a 68-64 victory over the Cyclones at the packed Sprint Center.

"I had braces for a while and I thought all that money had gone to waste," said Roach, who had nine points, six rebounds and seven assists. "It didn't even hurt at the time. I just felt wind going through my mouth more than normal, and I looked down and saw a tooth at the free-throw line.

"I was like, 'Ah, snap, I lost a tooth!'"

Better than losing an important game for his team's NCAA Tournament hopes.

Osetkowski had 20 points, Sims had 15 boards and Jase Fabres added 12 points for the Longhorns (19-13), who advanced to play second-seeded Texas Tech in Thursday's quarterfinals.

"We knew it was going to be a fight for 40 minutes tonight," Osetkowski said. "We wanted to focus on this one and I think the guys did a good job of it."

The Cyclones (13-18) forged a 58-all tie on a basket by Zoran Talley Jr. with 5 minutes left, but Matt Coleman started a run

of six straight points that gave Texas a cushion. Coleman then scored again with 43.1 seconds left, giving the Longhorns a 68-64 advantage in the back-and-forth affair.

Lindell Wigginton turned the ball over on the Cyclones' next possession, ending any comeback.

Wigginton finished with 20 points and eight boards for Iowa State, but he also committed nine turnovers against two assists. Cameron Lard had 14 points and Talley had 12 points and nine rebounds.

"It's always a tough game when it's the last game and you have no postseason in front of us," Cyclones coach Steve Prohm. "We have to work so we aren't in this position next year."

The Cyclones, winners of three of the past four Big 12 Tournaments, looked in the opening minutes as if they had brought some of that Hilton Magic south on Interstate 35 once again. They slowly built a 28-18 lead, taking advantage of the Longhorns' cold outside shooting.

The game turned when Roach — missing half that tooth — returned to the floor. The Longhorns ripped off a 16-3 charge into halftime, where Roach had his tooth glued back together, and pushed the run to 22-3 early in the second half before the Cyclones finally got into a rhythm.

When they did, they relied on Wigginton on the outside and Lard on the inside, clawing their way back from a 40-31 deficit with a big run of their own that got a crowd full of red on its feet.

The Longhorns kept answering down the stretch, though, not only advancing to the quarterfinals but giving their rather shaky NCAA Tournament resume a chance to keep

improving.

"We've been in so many close games, seven overtime games — a lot of close games that ended in regulation as well," Longhorns coach Shaka Smart said. "We tell our guys down the stretch, in a six-minute game, if you're solid on defense, take care of the ball and make your free throws it gives you a chance to win. We did enough of that."

**MO' ON BAMBA**

Smart said freshman star Mo Bamba was "making progress" from his sprained toe but his status was still day to day. The 7-footer, who averaged 17 points and 14 rebounds against Iowa State this season, watched from the Texas bench in warmups. "We were hopeful he was going to be able to go tonight. He didn't," Smart said. "There's a possibility he can go tomorrow."

**BIG PICTURE**

Iowa State committed 17 turnovers, most of them unforced, and that wiped out an otherwise solid shooting performance. It also wiped out the Cyclones' stingy defense, which held Texas to 8 of 31 from beyond the 3-point arc.

Texas survived without Bamba, setting up a showdown with the Red Raiders in the quarterfinals that would almost certainly lock up an at-large NCAA Tournament bid with a victory.

**UP NEXT**

Iowa State heads back to Ames to begin working on next season.

Texas heads into Thursday night's quarterfinal against the Red Raiders.

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# Silva's double-double helps South Carolina hold off Ole Miss

By **KURT VOIGT, AP Sports Writer**

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Chris Silva didn't have his usual energy level on Wednesday night, at least in the eyes of South Carolina coach Frank Martin.

If that was an off night for Silva, then the Gamecocks are in good hands moving forward in the Southeastern Conference Tournament.

Led by Silva's 21 points and 11 rebounds, 11th-seeded South Carolina (17-15) rallied from five points down in the second half to defeat Mississippi 85-84 in the opening round of the tournament on Wednesday night.

"(Silva) didn't have a lot of energy," Martin said. "I don't know if he didn't sleep well or didn't eat well. I don't know. Maybe he doesn't feel well. He's too good a kid. He doesn't tell you. He just goes out there and tries to do his best."

The win wasn't nearly as memorable as last year's Final Four run for South Carolina, but it was a first step toward what the Gamecocks hope is miracle five-games-in-five-days run through the SEC that results in a second straight trip to the NCAA Tournament.

Silva was one of five players to score in double figures for South Carolina, which led by as many as nine points in the first half. Frank Booker also scored 21 points, and Justin Minaya had 16. Maik Kotsar added 14 points and Wesley Myers 10 in the win for the Gamecocks, who advance to face No. 6 seed Arkansas on Thursday. Despite the comfortable first-half margin for South Carolina, the closing minutes were anything but secure. After falling behind by as many as five points midway through the second half, the Gamecocks used a late 16-4 run to take control — before holding off an inspired effort from the Rebels (12-20) in the closing minute. Brein Tyree scored 18 points to lead the 14th-seeded Rebels, who lost for the 11th time in their last 12 games to end the season and finished their season without former coach Andy Kennedy.

Terence Davis added 16 points, while Bruce Stevens had 15 and Deandre Burnett 13 for Ole Miss.

Booker put South Carolina up 85-81 with a free throw with 13.4 seconds remaining. Stevens answered with a 3-pointer on the other end, but it came at the buzzer.

"Your coach leaves with basically four regular season games left, and it's one of those deals that we had to try and rally around each other, stay positive, stay together, and they did a good job of that," Ole Miss interim coach Tony Madlock said. "I'm just so proud of those guys."

**BIG PICTURE**

Ole Miss: The Rebels were playing their fifth game without Kennedy, who made his resignation effective immediately a day following a loss at Mississippi State on Feb. 18. After responding with an overtime win over Missouri the game following Kennedy's departure, Ole Miss lost its final four games of the season.

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# DeRozan scores 42, Raptors clinch playoff spot with OT win

By NOAH TRISTER, AP Sports Writer

DETROIT (AP) — In the final seconds of both regulation and overtime, DeMar DeRozan pushed the ball up the court and went straight toward the basket.

The first time, he threw down a dunk for the game's most spectacular highlight. Then a few minutes later, DeRozan had the ball in his hands again in a similar spot.

"I knew they would be more prone to collapse on me the next time," the Toronto star said.

With Detroit's defenders cutting off his path to the rim, DeRozan made a simple pass to Fred VanVleet, whose tie-breaking jumper with 1.1 seconds remaining gave the Raptors a 121-119 victory over the Pistons on Wednesday night.

DeRozan finished with 42 points in the overtime win, and Toronto became the first NBA team to clinch a playoff berth this season.

"We need to be hardened and face some adversity," Raptors coach Dwane Casey said. "Tonight was one of those tests. I think each game we go into, everybody's going to give us their best shot."

Toronto trailed by 17 in the second quarter but was able to outlast Blake Griffin and the Pistons in a back-and-forth thriller. With the score tied late in overtime, Detroit's Reggie Bullock missed an open 3-pointer with about five seconds left on the shot clock. The rebound went to DeRozan, who rushed into the front-court and got into the lane, where a couple defenders stood in his way. He passed to VanVleet in the left corner.

Until then, VanVleet was 1 for 9 from the field, but his shot from just inside the 3-point line gave Toronto the lead.

"To win the game at the end there makes me be able to sleep a little bit better at night," VanVleet said.

Griffin, who had tied the game with less than a second remaining in regulation, missed a 3-pointer on the final possession of overtime.

The Eastern Conference-leading Raptors have won six straight and 13 of 14. Detroit has lost four in a row and 10 of 12.

Toronto's Serge Ibaka was ejected in the second quarter.

After Griffin's three-point play put Detroit ahead 112-111 with 10.1 seconds left in the fourth quarter, Toronto was out of timeouts. But the Pistons lost DeRozan near midcourt, and he went all the way in for a dunk with 4.6 seconds left, drawing a foul in the process.

"We didn't do what we were supposed to do. I'm not going any further than that," Pistons coach Stan Van Gundy said. "I'm not going to throw someone under the bus, but we didn't do what we were supposed to do."

DeRozan cut a finger, but he made the free throw to put the Raptors up by two. Griffin scored inside with 0.9 seconds left to tie it.

# Ichiro rejoins Mariners at 44, says Seattle is home team



Seattle Mariners' Ichiro Suzuki speaks at a news conference at the teams' spring training baseball complex Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in Peoria, Ariz. Suzuki signed a one year deal in his return to the Mariners.

(AP Photo/Matt York)

By The Associated Press

Now that Ichiro Suzuki is back with the Seattle Mariners, he hopes to stick around a while.

"I think everybody hears that I want to play until I'm 50," he said through a translator. "But I want to make sure everybody understands that I always say at least 50." The 44-year-old outfielder rejoined his former team Wednesday with a \$750,000, one-year contract.

"Even in the offseason when I would go back to Japan, I always came back to Seattle. This was my home ... has always been my home," he said. "Somewhere deep inside, I wanted to return and wear this uniform again."

Suzuki was the AL MVP and Rookie of the Year with Seattle in 2001. He was traded to the New York Yankees during the 2012 season and spent three years in Miami.

Suzuki has a .312 career average and 3,080 hits, not including the 1,278 hits he totaled in Japan. He played 136 games last year for the Marlins and hit .255 with a .318 on-base percentage.

Mariners general manager Jerry Dipoto said discussions about Suzuki's return intensified about a week ago, when the club's outfield injury situation became a greater concern.

"It did not take very long to put a deal together that brought Ichiro back home," Dipoto said. **TWINS 8, RED SOX (SS) 1**

J.D. Martinez went 0 for 2 in his Boston debut, hitting a pair of flyballs. Martinez, who signed with the Red Sox in late February, batted cleanup and played left field. Jake Odorizzi gave up a run on three hits over 3 2/3 innings in his second start for Minnesota. Twins newcomer Logan Morrison got two hits and Miguel Sano doubled. **PHILLIES 2, RED SOX (SS)**

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Philadelphia opening day starter Aaron Nola gave up just one hit in four strong innings, striking out five. Drew Hutchison, who signed a minor league deal in February, worked three solid innings for the Phillies, giving up a run on two hits while striking out four. Newcomer Carlos Santana got a hit and is batting .211.

**MARLINS 7, ASTROS 6**

Gerrit Cole worked 3 2/3 innings in his third start for Houston, striking out four and allowing four hits. Jose Altuve homered and George Springer got a hit and is batting .368 this spring. Lewis Brinson, acquired from Milwaukee in the Christian Yelich trade, continued to make a strong case for a major league roster spot by getting two hits, including his fifth double of the spring.

**YANKEES 11, METS 4**

Mets starter Zack Wheeler scattered four hits and fanned four in three scoreless innings. Travis d'Arnaud homered for the first time this spring.

Brett Gardner got two hits and well-traveled Billy McKinney, who has been part of trades for both Jeff Samardzija and Aroldis Chapman, hit a grand slam for his fourth homer for the Yankees.

**CARDINALS 4, NATIONALS 3**

Adam Wainwright worked 3 2/3 innings in his second start of the spring for St. Louis. Cardinals closer Luke Gregerson is expected to be sidelined for at least a couple of days with tightness in his oblique. Washington starter Max Scherzer struck out four and gave up a home run to Greg Garcia.

**ORIOLES 7, RAYS 2**

Jose Mesa, the 24-year-old son of the former major league reliever of the same name, gave

up a run on two hits in two innings for Baltimore. Danny Valencia drove in three runs with a pair of doubles, raising his spring batting average to .411 for the Orioles. Tampa Bay lefty Blake Snell allowed two hits over three innings.

**BLUE JAYS (SS) 6, TIGERS 5**

Victor Martinez hit his third home run of the spring for Detroit. Dalton Pompey had two hits and a steal for Toronto.

**BLUE JAYS (SS) 13, PIRATES 4**

Russell Martin, playing third base, and Curtis Granderson each hit their third home runs for Toronto. J.A. Happ gave up two hits and two walks in his three-inning start. Josh Bell homered for Pittsburgh.

**DODGERS 4, ANGELS 2**

Clayton Kershaw pitched three shutout innings and Logan Forsythe homered and doubled for the Dodgers. Angels starter Clayton Richard struck out seven in four innings, allowing two hits and an earned run.

**WHITE SOX 14, REDS 12**

Yoan Moncada had three hits and scored twice for Chicago. Starter Miguel Gonzalez got just two outs, giving up five runs on four hits and two walks. Reds starter Homer Bailey was tagged for six runs and seven hits in three innings. Scott Schebler got four hits.

**PADRES 4, GIANTS 4, 10 INNINGS**

San Francisco lefty Madison Bumgarner threw 48 pitches over 3 1/3 innings, giving up two runs and striking out six. Evan Longoria doubled and Brandon Belt had two hits for the Giants. San Diego starter Tyson Ross gave up two runs in three innings.

**ROCKIES 5, RANGERS 4**

New Colorado closer Wade Davis gave up a two-run homer to Drew Robinson.



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# Oregon State beats Washington 69-66 in overtime



Oregon State's Zach Reichle, left, looks to pass while covered by Washington's David Crisp during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game in the first round of the Pac-12 men's tournament Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in Las Vegas. (AP Photo/Isaac Brekken)

By JOHN MARSHALL, AP Basketball Writer

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Oregon State had a penchant for finding ways to lose instead of win for most of the regular season. If the opposing team hit a big shot or one of the Beavers missed a key free throw, they would slump their shoulders and watch the other team walk off with a victory.

With a chance to move on in the Pac-12 tournament, Oregon State found a way to make the big plays down the stretch.

Drew Eubanks scored 19 points, Stephen Thompson Jr. added 14 and the Beavers outlasted Washington 69-66 in overtime on Wednesday night in the opening round of the tournament.

"We said at halftime: 'Guys, when we make mistakes and we coach you and get after you, you can't drop your chins,'" Oregon State coach Wayne Tinkle said. "That's part of developing toughness and maturity. And I thought the second half we really did that. That was the difference."

Oregon State went up 66-64 in overtime on Tres Tinkle's two free throws and Washington tried to set up a shot to tie, but David Crisp threw the ball out of bounds. Eubanks hit 1 of 2 free throws and Crisp scored on a layup with 3.1 seconds left to pull the Huskies within two.

Tinkle hit two more free throws with 2.5 seconds left and Crisp got a good look at a tying 3-pointer, but it caromed off the back of the rim.

Oregon State (16-15) moves

on to face No. 2 seed Southern California in the quarterfinals on Thursday.

"It's definitely a great feeling so far," Thompson said. "We know we have a lot of work to do in order to accomplish what we want to accomplish."

Matisse Thybulle had 19 points and Noah Dickerson 15 points as Washington (20-12) saw its slim NCAA Tournament hopes all but disappear.

"You've got to tip your hat to Oregon State," Washington coach Mike Hopkins said. "I mean, they battled, they made the plays down the stretch that you had to make. I mean, the bottom line is this is a championship-level conference and a great environment. They beat us in overtime. It was a heck of a game."

Washington made a strong NCAA Tournament push with consecutive wins over Arizona and Arizona State in early February. But the Huskies fell away from the NCAA bubble with a stretch of four losses in five games, including a double-overtime setback at Oregon State.

Washington won two of its final three games, but needed a strong run in the Pac-12 tournament to have any NCAA shot.

The third meeting of the season became a defensive battle, neither team able to find much operating room.

Oregon State made 8 of 23 shots in the first half, including 1 for 7 from the 3-point arc. Washington was slightly better, going 11 for 29 and 2 for 9 from 3 to lead 29-25.

Halftime adjustments freed up both offenses early before the defenses controlled the game again. Oregon State went nearly 6 minutes without scoring, but Washington couldn't stretch its lead. Then the Huskies had a stretch when it went 1 for 9 and the Beavers capitalized, going on a 10-2 run to go up 55-51.

### BIG PICTURE

Washington likely fell short in its NCAA Tournament bid, but still won 20 games and had its biggest turnaround since 1937-38 in its first season under Hopkins.

"New coaching staff, new system, there is a lot going on," Hopkins said. "These guys went out there and made the plays that they had to make. We've beaten some really, really good teams this year. Part of what we're trying to build is a standard of excellence."

Oregon State found a way to grind out a victory and enhance its chances of playing in a post-season tournament.

### TINKLE'S ANKLE

Tres Tinkle came down on someone's foot early and spent the rest of the game limping. The coach's son tweaked the ankle again on a foul with 21 seconds, but made those two free throws and two more.

Tinkle ended up playing 43 minutes, finishing with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

"I haven't had a chance to talk to him," Wayne Tinkle said. "I had a brief conversation with our doc, but he's got no choice, he's got to play tomorrow. That comes from mom, not me."

# San Diego basketball coach Lamont Smith resigns

By BERNIE WILSON, AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO (AP) — University of San Diego coach Lamont Smith resigned Wednesday night, 10 days after he was arrested for investigation of domestic violence at the end of a road trip.

Smith's resignation came one day after the San Francisco District Attorney's Office said he wouldn't face charges "at this time" in a domestic violence investigation.

Even though no charges were filed, the university said on Tuesday that Smith remained on administrative leave pending a school investigation.

The school said Smith resigned Wednesday night.

Smith was arrested at the Oakland airport on Feb. 25, a day after the Toreros won at San Francisco in the regular season finale.

Assistant coach Sam Scholl coached the Toreros in their loss to BYU in the opening round of the West Coast Conference tournament on Saturday.

# UAB beats FAU 83-72 in C-USA Tournament 1st round

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — Zack Bryant scored 25 points with six rebounds and UAB beat Florida Atlantic 83-72 on Wednesday night in the first round of the Conference USA Tournament.

William Lee added 20 points and six rebounds for No. 6 seed UAB (20-12) which advances to the quarterfinals to meet third-seeded Western Kentucky on Thursday night. Chris Cokley had 15 points and 10 rebounds.

The Blazers led 40-30 at the break and Lee opened the second

half with a jumper followed by back-to-back 3-pointers as part of a 13-6 surge that gave UAB a 53-36 advantage with 16:29 left. Florida Atlantic closed to 59-46 midway but the Blazers opened it up again on a 12-6 run that included eight points by Bryant to make it 71-50 with 8:12 to go.

Ronald Delph led No. 11 seed Florida Atlantic (12-19) with 22 points and nine boards. Jailyn Ingram added 16 points and Justin Massey 15.

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# Davis turns ankle, but Pelicans roll to 10th straight win



New Orleans Pelicans forward E'Twaun Moore, right, drives against Sacramento Kings guard BuThursday, March 8, 2018 Hield during the second quarter of an NBA basketball game Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in Sacramento, Calif. (AP Photo/Rich Pedroncelli)

By MICHAEL WAGAMAN, Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Anthony Davis scored 17 points before rolling his left ankle and leaving in the third quarter, and the New Orleans Pelicans beat the Sacramento Kings 114-101 on Wednesday night to match a franchise record with their 10th straight win.

Davis went down after battling Kosta Koufos for a rebound. The five-time All-Star winced and grabbed at his ankle before slowly getting to his feet. Davis remained in the game briefly before being taken to the Pelicans locker room with 3:11 left in the third. He did not return. X-rays were negative.

New Orleans, which has played well since losing center DeMarcus Cousins to a season-ending injury in January, kept rolling without Davis, although the Kings made a brief run late in the fourth.

BuThursday, March 8, 2018 Hield hit a 3-pointer to pull Sacramento within 103-94 with 3:12 left, but Nikola Mirotic and Jrue Holiday both hit 3s and combined for 11 straight points to help the Pelicans pull away.

Mirotic scored 26 points on 10-of-12 shooting to go with 10 rebounds, Holiday had 23 points and eight assists, and E'Twaun Moore added 15 points.

The 10-game winning streak matches the Pelicans' franchise record set Jan. 9-26, 2011. New Orleans has scored 100 or more points in each of the wins, setting another team record.

The Pelicans get a break with eight of their next nine in New Orleans after playing eight of their past 11 on the road. They're in the thick of the playoff race in the Western Conference.

Hield had 20 points while Zach Randolph added 19 points and five rebounds for Sacramento.

The Kings, who have lost six of eight, played the final 42 minutes without point guard De'Aaron Fox. He left early in the first quarter due to lower back stiffness.

Ian Clark's 16-foot jumper and 3-pointer on consecutive possessions capped a 12-4 run to end the first and put the Pelicans up 32-21.

With Davis getting a lengthy rest on the bench for most of the second quarter, New Orleans extended its advantage to 49-29 on another deep shot from Clark. Holiday later scored eight consecutive points and Davis added a late three-point play to help the Pelicans take a 62-44 halftime lead.

### TIP-INS

Pelicans: New Orleans has won seven straight road games, one shy of the franchise record set in 2007-08. ... The Pelicans shot 60.9 percent (14 of 23) in the opening quarter.

Kings: Willie Cauley-Stein missed his third straight game with a lower back strain.

### UP NEXT

Pelicans: Host Washington on Friday night.

Kings: Host Orlando on Friday night.

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Mississippi's Terence Davis, left, and South Carolina's Evan Hinson collide as they chase a loose ball during the first half in an NCAA college basketball game at the Southeastern Conference tournament Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in St. Louis. (AP Photo/Jeff Roberson)

# Rowsey scores 25 for Marquette, Strus misses game winner

By TOM CANAVAN, AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Andrew Rowsey scored 25 points and seventh-seeded Marquette blew a 14-point lead and came back to outlast 10th-seeded DePaul 72-69 in the opening round of the Big East Tournament on Wednesday night.

Sam Hauser added 16 points and hit two big free throws with 33 seconds to play as the Golden Eagles (19-12) handed the Blue Demons (11-20) their fourth-straight opening-round loss in the tournament.

DePaul had a chance to win the game in the final seconds but Max Strus, who scored 19 of his 22 points in the second half, missed an open 3-pointer with Marquette clinging to a 70-69 lead.

Rowsey got the rebound and was fouled, making two free throws with less than a second to play.

The win was the third straight for Marquette, which advanced to a quarterfinal showdown against second-seeded Villanova on Thursday night.

Marin Maric also scored 22 points for DePaul.

Strus drove the lane and dunked to tie the game at 61 with 5:46 to play.

Rowsey, who had only one second-half field goal at that point, hit a 3-pointer and a jumper to give the Golden

Eagles a 66-61 lead.

A basket by Eli Cain and a 3-pointer by Strus, sandwiched around a jumper by Sacar Anim, got DePaul with 68-66.

Hauser's two free throws pushed the lead to four but Strus hit a long 3-pointer in front of his bench to make it 70-69 with 21.3 seconds to play.

Rowsey turned the ball over at midcourt with 11.5 seconds left and DePaul called its final timeout to set up Strus for his wide-open shot.

Rowsey hit three straight 3-pointers in an 18-2 first half spurt that gave Marquette a 25-12 lead midway through the first half and the Golden Eagles expanded the margin to 14 points at 29-15.

It looked like it would be an easy night for the Golden Eagles. It wasn't.

## WHERE DID EVERYONE GO

Despite having a second nor'easter hit the New York City metropolitan area in a week, the crowd for the St.-John's-Georgetown game was listed at 16,866. The crowd for the second game dwindled to a couple of thousand people by the middle of the second half.

## UP NEXT

DePaul: Next season.

Marquette: Face second-seeded Villanova in the quarterfinals on Thursday night. Lost both regular-season games.



Marquette head coach Steve Wojciechowski, left, watches, as Marquette guard Andrew Rowsey (30) leaps in front of DePaul guard Max Strus (31) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game in the first round of the Big East conference tournament, in New York, Wednesday, March 7, 2018. (AP Photo/Kathy Willens)

# San Diego basketball coach Lamont Smith resigns

By BERNIE WILSON, AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO (AP) — University of San Diego coach Lamont Smith resigned Wednesday night, 10 days after he was arrested for investigation of domestic violence at the end of a road trip.

Smith's resignation came one day after the San Francisco District Attorney's Office said he wouldn't face charges "at this time" in a domestic violence investigation.

Even though no charges were filed, the university said on Tuesday that Smith remained

on administrative leave pending a school investigation.

The school said Smith resigned Wednesday night.

Smith was arrested at the Oakland airport on Feb. 25, a day after the Toreros won at San Francisco in the regular season finale.

Assistant coach Sam Scholl coached the Toreros in their loss to BYU in the opening round of the West Coast Conference tournament on Saturday.



Detroit Pistons forward Blake Griffin (23) looks to shoot as Toronto Raptors forward Norman Powell defends during the first half of an NBA basketball game Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in Detroit. (AP Photo/Carlos Osorio)



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Republican Party OF AMERICAN SAMOA will hold its monthly General meeting on March 20, 2018 at 5:30pm at the Famous Restaurant on March 20th @ 5:30pm. For more info, contact John Raynar @ 258-0693 or Sailitafa Samoa @ 252-8129. [03/20]

FONOTAGA FAALEMASINA A LE PATI RIPAPILIKANA A AMERIKA SAMOA i le Aso 20 o Mati, 2018 i le 5:30 i le afiafi, i le Famous Restaurant. Mo nisi faamatalaga, valaau John Raynar i le 258-0693 po o Sailitafa Samoa i le 252-8129. [03/20]

AMERICAN SAMOA TENNIS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on Wednesday, March 7th @ 6:00pm at Lion's Park Tennis Court. For more info contact taianne2010@gmail.com. [03/07]

GRASPP (GOD RESTORES AND SAVES PRECIOUS PEOPLE) MINISTRY is seeking non-perishable food donations to feed need families with children in American Samoa. GRASPP MINISTRY is a non-profit 501c3 tax deductible faith-based charity organization. If you would like to bless others with your donation, please call 733-4464 or 699-7569.

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**FEELING ALONE?** Come to SURVIVORS TAKING ACTION THROUGH SHARING, a support group for victims of violence (physical or sexual). Join me every Thursday at 12:00 noon @ the Alliance office in Nu'uuli. You don't have to do it alone. For more info, call Liz Mailo @ 272-3257 or 699-0272.

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**Universal Crossword**

*Edited by Timothy Parker March 8, 2018*

- ACROSS**
- 1 Fit together
  - 5 Step layer
  - 10 Stadium layer
  - 14 Fair relative
  - 15 Mob
  - 16 Able to see through?
  - 17 Two types of tape
  - 20 Some word puzzles
  - 21 "Audit" attachment
  - 22 Something to stand on
  - 23 "Roseanne" character
  - 24 Basketball stat
  - 27 Meaty dish
  - 29 Tangle
  - 32 "Paulo" start
  - 33 Possesses
  - 36 Atomic No. 51
  - 38 Two types of tape
  - 41 Coconut producer
  - 42 "Is it over?"
  - 43 Historic period
  - 44 Not an original
  - 46 Clear, on a paycheck
  - 50 Powerful carpentry tool
  - 52 One keeping the books
  - 55 Lament greatly
- DOWN**
- 1 General's collection
  - 2 French anti-ship missile
  - 3 Latex-yielding plant
  - 4 Bum relative?
  - 5 Sorority letter
  - 6 Violinists' applications
  - 7 "Hungry Eyes" singer
  - 8 Contributes
  - 9 Not quite a C-
  - 10 Flaps or commotions
  - 11 How to harmonize
  - 12 And so on (Abbr.)
  - 13 Bunkum
  - 18 Tabs of acid
  - 19 Almost hate
  - 24 Like craft fairs
  - 25 Squealed
  - 26 Kiddie's diversion
  - 28 "To \_\_\_ it may concern ..."
  - 30 Identifier
  - 31 Band attachment?
  - 34 What opposites do
  - 35 Carpenter's fastener
  - 37 Tiny arachnid
  - 38 Indian wrap
  - 39 Bell features
  - 40 With it, old-school
  - 41 Part of a price
  - 45 Do-to-do span
  - 47 Recitative song
  - 48 Steal cattle
  - 49 World leader?
  - 51 Nasty customer
  - 53 Whiny one
  - 54 Type of welder
  - 57 Fancy car, for short
  - 58 Computer symbol
  - 59 Slick-talking
  - 60 Printer's widths
  - 61 "7 Faces of Dr. \_\_\_"
  - 62 Dungeon dweller

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# EUGENIA LAST

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**Thursday,  
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*Happy Birthday: You'll be torn between what you want and what's offered. If you wait around for someone else to help you get ahead, you'll end up back where you started. Take initiative and make every move count. Wheel and deal your way into a position that will encourage you to upgrade your knowledge and skills to meet current demands. Your numbers are 5, 16, 19, 27, 34, 39, 42.*

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** A financial move can be made and contracts can be negotiated and put in place. Good things will happen if you take the initiative and channel your energy into achieving your goals. Make the purchases necessary to upgrade your lifestyle\*\*\*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Emotional deception is apparent. If you think someone isn't being honest with you, ask direct questions. Don't feel like you have to pay for someone else's mistakes or make a contribution to something you don't fully believe in. \*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Personal gains look promising. Focus on partnerships and bringing about positive changes that will encourage you to do your very best. Love is in the stars, and a romantic gesture will improve your relationship with someone special. \*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Don't believe hearsay. One of your peers or friends will disappoint you. Keep personal information a secret and your passwords and important documents in a safe place. A loss is likely if you are too trusting. \*\*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Good things are heading your way. Travel, communication and networking will bring about positive changes to the way you deal with others. You'll have greater opportunities to advance. Improved fitness will lead to a new and improved self-image. \*\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** A surprise or proposal should be handled carefully. If you are too quick to complain, you may miss out on something special. Listen to what others have to say and decide only after you fully understand what's being offered. \*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** If you can't figure out where you stand with someone, ask. It's better to know what you are up against before you waste too much energy on something that has too many obstacles. Positive change will come from thorough research. \*\*\*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Be careful when dealing with emotional issues. Someone will use the information you share against you. Concentrate on work and the types of changes you can make in order to get more involved in something you enjoy. \*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Emotions will be difficult to control. Only share your feelings with people you trust. Making plans that will improve your standard of living should be considered. The more hands-on you are, the quicker you'll reach your goal. \*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Sharing your thoughts with others will lead to questions and concerns. Make a point to iron out any hurdles that have the potential to grow if they are not taken care of soon. Listen, but don't give in to emotional manipulation.\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Nothing will happen if you don't take measures to make positive changes. Emotional blackmail and denial can set you back. Look at the possibilities that exist and put together a plan that will improve your life. \*\*\*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Spice up your life. Try something new, but take care of your responsibilities first. Feeling free and clear to follow your dreams will make it much easier to accomplish what you set out to do.\*\*\*

## Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

**NEWLYWED WIFE REJECTS IDEA OF WELCOMING A SECOND WIFE**

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been married for seven months, and my husband wants a second wife, something I do not agree with. He says he likes helping people and has decided he wants a former lover to be a part of our marriage. Unfortunately, she is more than willing to sleep with him.

Now he's talking about helping her move even though he knows I'm against him having anything to do with her. She says she's going to tell her daughter he is her boyfriend and not let her know he is married. She wants to be my friend, but I want nothing to do with her.

I sold my house, so I have nowhere to go. He refuses to go to marriage counseling because he says I am the problem. I am just about ready to cut my losses and move on. What do you think? -- READY TO MOVE ON

**DEAR READY:** You and your husband are already living on separate planets as far as your values are concerned. Unless you are willing to have an open marriage and another woman sharing your husband, I "think" it's time to talk to a lawyer!

**DEAR ABBY:** While flying across country with my toddler son, he started screaming hysterically as the plane began its descent. Nothing I could do would calm him. I tried giving him a bottle, a knuckle, a pacifier, even the corner of my shirt, but he continued to howl.

All of a sudden, a hand holding a lollipop appeared in the space between our seats and with it came a soft voice that said, "It's the change in air pressure. Try this." I took what turned out to be a sugar-free lollipop, and sure enough, the moment I unwrapped the generally frowned-upon treat, my son began sucking enthusiastically, calmed down and sat quietly until the plane came to a stop.

Ever since then I travel with sugar-free lollipops in my purse in the event a child near me is undone by the change in cabin pressure during landing. Some parents are skeptical at first, but when I use the tone and the words once spoken to me, they usually accept the treat, calm their child and sigh in relief. I encourage parents of children old enough to handle a lollipop to do the same just in case there is no lollipop angel on their flight. -- TIP FROM UP HIGH

**DEAR TIP:** Hmmm. Perhaps airlines should stock an emergency supply of lollipops on their planes for parents in that situation. It would be easier than handing out earplugs and tranquilizers to all the other passengers on the flight.

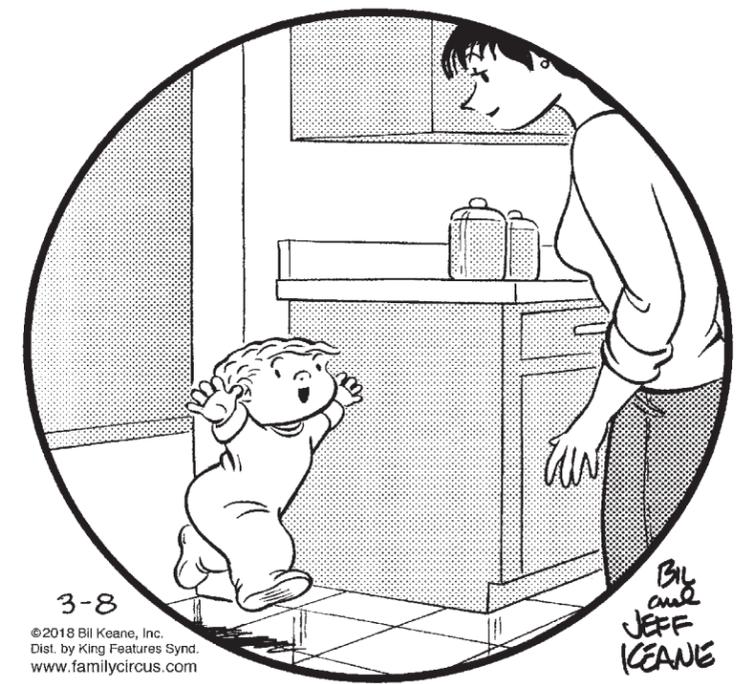
**DEAR ABBY:** My niece died last week from a fentanyl overdose. She was 43. My brother lives out of town, so I offered to retrieve my niece's belongings. While going through them, I found a crack pipe and syringes. Should I tell my brother or keep it to myself? -- KEEP IT TO MYSELF

**DEAR KEEP IT:** Please accept my sympathy for the loss your family has suffered. I think you should tell your brother. He is already aware that his daughter had a serious drug problem. If you're afraid the news will add to his pain, don't be. Disclosing it could help him realize the scope of her addiction.

**TAPE MEASURE** By Timothy E. Parker

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**THE FAMILY CIRCUS** By Bil Keane



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by Bill Watterson

GEE, I'M GETTING MORE LIKE A TIGER EVERY MINUTE.

HOLD STILL WHILE I DRAW STRIPES.

HOW DO I LOOK?

IT'S SOME IMPROVEMENT.

**ROWRR RRGH RAWRR**

I DUNNO, YOU'RE STILL LACKING SOMETHING TIGER-ISH.

PANACHE. THAT'S IT.

WAIT, I'VE GOT SOME PLASTIC VAMPIRE FANGS I CAN PUT IN!

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**PEANUTS** ©

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I HAVE A PROBLEM, LUCILLE.. I THINK CHUCK LIKES ME..

WHY DO THINGS LIKE THIS HAPPEN? CHUCK'S A NICE GUY AND ALL THAT, BUT GOLLY...

I MEAN, HOW COULD I EVER FLIP OVER SOMEONE LIKE CHUCK?

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Wednesday's Puzzle Answer 3/7

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**Hagar the Horrible** ©

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Chicago Bulls' Kris Dunn goes up for a dunk during the second half of an NBA basketball game against the Memphis Grizzlies Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in Chicago. The Bulls won 119-110. (AP Photo/Charles Rex Arbogast)

# Bulls hang on down stretch, beat Grizzlies 119-110

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CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Bulls envision Lauri Markkanen, Zach LaVine and Kris Dunn leading them to tight wins - someday in bigger spots than this.

Markkanen scored 22 points, LaVine and Dunn added 21 apiece, and Chicago hung on to hand the Memphis Grizzlies their 15th straight loss, 119-110 on Wednesday night.

The Bulls had a 21-point lead whittle to one but came away with their fourth win in 18 games. "Everybody wants to see, 'Are these guys for real? Are they capable of playing at a high level each and every night?'" Dunn said.

Dunn scored 11 in the fourth quarter and made four free throws in the final 33.7 seconds to help Chicago come out on

top. Bobby Portis had 15 points and 10 rebounds. Justin Holiday scored 14 points in 17 minutes - going 5 for 5 from the field and nailing four 3-pointers - after the NBA prodded the Bulls to start playing him and Robin Lopez again.

Memphis' Dillon Brooks scored 20 of his 29 points in the fourth quarter. Marc Gasol and Ben McLemore added 17 apiece, but the Grizzlies couldn't snap the NBA's longest skid this season.

"I was trying to do everything in my power to bring the team back," said Brooks, who got screamed at by coach J.B. Bickerstaff at halftime. "We were right there. We just got to make better plays for each other, smart plays, careful passes. We just had too many turnovers and we dug ourselves a big hole."

### TIP-INS

**Grizzlies:** The Grizzlies did not use Gasol in the fourth quarter and went with Deyonta Davis instead. Bickerstaff said he "didn't want to disrupt the rhythm" of the group that led Memphis back into the game. Gasol, who has expressed frustration lately, walked out of the locker room whistling with his headphones on and did not make himself available to reporters. ... F Chandler Parsons missed the game for personal reasons. ... Memphis has dropped 13 in a row on the road since winning at Sacramento on Dec. 31.

**Bulls:** Dunn had nine assists and three steals. ... Chicago outscored Memphis in second-chance points (17-12), fast-break points (16-13) and points in the paint (56-44) - the fifth time this season the Bulls led in all three categories.

### HANGING ON

The Bulls led by 21 midway through the third quarter and were up by 15 going into the fourth before the Grizzlies went on a run.

Back-to-back 3-pointers by Brooks cut it to 94-93. He then nailed a fadeaway jumper after Portis drove for a layup, making it 96-95 with 6:46 remaining.

The Bulls answered with a 10-2 run. Brooks hit a floater and two 3-pointers to pull the Grizzlies back within one with just under three minutes left, but the Bulls hung on.

David Nwaba grabbed the rebound after Memphis' Xavier Rathan-Mayes missed a potential tying 3, and Dunn drove for a layup to bump the lead to 113-108 with 1:31 to play.

### HOLIDAY RETURNS

While Lopez sat out his seventh straight game, Holiday made an immediate impact after being held out of five of the previous six. He scored nine points in the game's first 8 1/2 minutes, making all three 3-pointers before Denzel Valentine replaced him.



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