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Efrenia Ursolino, LPN was awarded a Certificate in Recognition for 30 years of service to Hope House. Ursolino was one of the very first people hired by Hope House when it opened, and she's still there today, caring for the elderly and physically disabled residents who live there. She was heard saying, "I want to go for another 30 years with Hope House!"

Hope House celebrated its 30-year anniversary last week, with a series of fundraising events, including recognition of people who have made Hope House's mission of caring a huge success. Unofficial total of monies raised to keep the House going is $80,000 plus.

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Security cameras to be installed at the Immigration Office

AS-DHS DIRECTOR DENIES THERE WAS A 'HEATED CONFRONTATION' WITH IMMIGRATION STAFF

by Ausage Fausia
Samoa News Reporter

Attorney General, Talauega Eleasalo Ale has requested Department of Homeland Security (DHLS) director Samana Semo Vea'vea, to conduct a complete survey of the interior of the Immigration Office — including the room used to take ID card photos — for the purpose of installing security cameras for both the inside and the outside waiting area at the Immigration Office. Samana has heeded the request, and showed up at the Immigration Office last week with three of his employees, where he instructed the Assistant Chief Immigration Officer to remove her staff from the ID photo room and ordered them not to use the room anymore until security cameras are installed.

Samoa News understands that the move by Samana resulted in a heated confrontation between Samana and some Immigration staff members inside the Immigration Office. Sources say it almost ended in a fist fight. Chief Immigration Officer, Peseta Dennis Fuimaono was not at the office when the confrontation took place.

An Immigration Office employee told Samoa News that Samana and his employees were at fault, because they entered the Immigration Office and instructed the deputy chief immigration officer what to do, without advising them in a polite manner on the reason why they were there. The employee added that all Immigration staff members understand the problem regarding the fake ID cards, which has sparked many changes in Immigration Office operations over the past two weeks, and they want to work together with the AG's Office to make sure everything is conducted according to the law.

"Everyone inside the Immigration Office that day was offended by Samana's actions," said the employee. "The way he instructed the deputy chief Immigration officer — his tone and the way he acted was very unprofessional — and that's why the confrontation took place. Luckily, nothing serious happened that day." While there are a lot of accusations towards the Immigration staff about them not doing their work honestly, the employee told Samoa News that over 10 Immigration staff members have been terminated or forced to retire by the Chief Immigration Officer last month, because they failed to do their job according to the procedures and guidelines of the office.

When Samoa News asked the employee if any of the terminated employees had anything to do with issuing fake ID cards to Asian nationals, the source said no, it was all about them not doing their job honestly. Samoa News was able to interview Samana for his side of the story. And, while he admitted that he was at fault, he denied that there was a heated confrontation between him and Immigration staff. Samana told Samoa News that he should have gone first to the AG to inform him that he was there to conduct the survey, as was requested; but instead, he went first to the Immigration Office, which caused a disagreement between him and some staff members, but it wasn't as big

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The 'Fathers of the Territory' have spoken: Only 3 Senate seats for Manu'a

9-9 VOTE RESULTS IN REJECTION OF MEASURE SEEKING TO RETURN 2 SENATE SEATS FOR MANU'A

by Fili Sagapolutele
Samoa News Correspondent

In an unexpected turn of political events in the Fono, the Senate rejected a measure that seeks to return two senatorial seats for Manu'a, after the proposal which would change the Constitution, failed to muster the required votes for approval.

"I believe and it's my understanding that it's the voters who make the final decision," said Sen. Galeai Tu'ufuli after the measure was defeated at last Friday's Senate session. "However, the Senate has made its decision on the measure."

Prior to the vote on the measure, Senate President Gaoteote Tofau Palaie reminded senators that the measure required two-thirds approval in each chamber. After the vote, by roll call, was made, Gaoteote announced the tally of 9-yes and 9-no. Therefore, the bill was not approved because it required 12-yes votes, or two-thirds, for approval.

All 18 senators were present during Friday's session.

As word spread quickly about the measure not making it through in the Senate, two long time political observers told Samoa News that they were a bit surprised. "It's an unexpected turn of political events that there weren't enough votes in the Senate for approval to move it forward to the House," said one observer Friday afternoon.

A similar measure was passed by the Senate in the 34th Legislature and submitted to the House, but it didn't make it out of a House committee last year as that Legislature had come to an end.

Over the years, there have also been similar attempts to reinstitute the two Manu'a senatorial seats.

Earlier this year in April, Galeai along with two other Manu'a senators — Nuanuaolefeagaiga Saoluaga T. Nua and Misaalefua J. Hudson — sponsored the latest Senate Joint Resolution.

The senators had argued during a Senate committee debate that they were not seeking two additional seats for the island group, but instead sought to "return" what had been taken away from Manu'a more than 50 years ago.

The Manu'a senators, in the measure's preamble, pointed out that the Constitution originally mandated 15 members of the Senate: 5 each from the Western, Eastern and Manu'a districts. However, the membership was changed under the 1960 Revised Constitution.

The change saw Senate membership increased to 18 — but "the basis of the representation was changed from one senator per traditional political county or five per district to 'population' of districts," according to the preamble. The effect was to increase senators for the Eastern District from five to nine; five to six for the Western District, and a reduction of five to three for Manu'a.

"There is no explanation regarding the reduction of senatorial seats for Manu'a and no expla-

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The highlight of the Argosy University's last Friday, Sept. 29, 2017 graduation was the awarding of doctorate degrees to five graduates: (l-r) Dr. Johnny Siaumau Mapu, Dr. Lisa Tasi Vasai Mapu, Dr. Sheri Saeni Vasai -Ta'ase, Dr. Lealofi Se'au, and Dr. Usoali'i Faiai Jr.

Congratulations! (See story in the Lali section of tomorrow's Samoa News)

[photo: Leua Aiono Frost]

ASG was awarded a plaque in recognition of its numerous donations to Hope House since it opened 30 years ago. The award was presented to DHSS director Teaoafua Dr. Meki Solomona, as Bishop Peter Brown conveyed his deepest appreciation for all contributions from various government departments and agencies throughout the years. [photo: Leua Aiono Frost]

Tauese Vaaomala Sunia is new Territorial Corrections Facility Warden

by Rhonda Annesley, editor

Commissioner of Public Safety, Le'i Sonny Thompson has transferred Chief of Police, Tauese Vaaomala Sunia to the Territorial Correctional Facility to serve as warden, according to a memo dated Sept. 29, addressed to All DPS Personnel.

The memo, from Le'i, notes Senior Personnel Reassignments, as part of the Department of Public Safety's "strides over the last nine months to improve our process and services to the community through investment in professional development training in areas of our respective discipline."

The commissioner highlights the programs and activities DPS has done over "our collective journey since the inception of my tenure as Commissioner of Public Safety." Le'i says that part of DPS' ability to "To Serve & To Protect" includes "a blanket of safety for our communities and general public."

He continued, "In light of existing and continuing challenges faced by the Territorial Corrections Facility, it is incumbent on our management team to place priority on the security of the facility to prevent future escapees, promulgate policies and procedures to mitigate existing challenges, forge needed partnership with public agencies and non profit organizations in the provisioning of specialized counseling and services to high-risk youth, victims of domestic violence and sexual harassment." The Police Commission said, "To that end, effective Monday, October 2, 2017, Foifua Foifua, Jr. is hereby reassigned to Central Station and superseded by Va'aomaia K. Sunia who will serve as Warden…

"It is incumbent that both senior officers will prepare transition prior to the effective date of their reassignment to ensure no lapse in service or critical issues is compromised," he stated. The new TCF warden was appointed as Chief of Police under an executive order by Gov. Lolo Matalasi Moliga; he continued in this position when Le'i became commissioner.

Tauese, who has been with DPS for more than 15 years, has been a lead instructor for DPS police academies.

4 dead, several injured in head-on vehicle collision on Maui

WAILUKU, Hawaii (AP) — Four people died and several others were injured in a head-on vehicle collision on Maui's northwest side, authorities said.

The collision happened Saturday night when the driver of a pickup truck crossed a painted median and slammed head-on into a Toyota Camry sedan with five people in it, Maui police said. The pickup driver and three people from the Camry died at the scene, police said. The other two people who were in the Camry were taken to the hospital in stable and critical conditions. Two other vehicles were involved in the crash after the initial collision. There were five people in those two other vehicles, none of whom were seriously injured, police said.

Authorities identified the truck driver as 52-year-old Raymundo Hernandez-Ramirez of Lahaina. Two victims from the Camry were identified by police as California residents Charles Whipple, 36, of San Mateo and Danille McColloch, 36, of Galt. Both victims were sitting in the back seat without seat belts on, police said.

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LVPA options to be considered at WPRFMC meeting this week in Territory

by Fili Sagapolutele
Samoa News Correspondent

At its 171st Meeting later this month in American Samoa, the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council, will take action on two fishery issues pertaining to American Samoa, including the Large Vessel Prohibited Area (LVPA) in territorial waters.

The Council will consider seven options for the LVPA to help the US long line fishing fleet based in Pago Pago, according to the agenda information on the Council's meeting set for Oct. 17-19 at the Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium in Utulei.

The federal court in Honolulu reaffirmed in August this year, its Mar. 2017 decision which concluded that the US National Marine Fisheries Service's 2016 LVPA rule — reduction of the LVPA from 50 to 12 miles — was invalid.

According to the court, NMFS failed to consider whether the proposed rule was consistent with the Deeds of Cession — referring to the 1900 Deed of Cession for Tutuila and Aunu'u; and the 1904 Deed of Cession for Manu'a.

More than a week ago, the NMFS issued a final rule which removes the regulatory exemption (or the 2016 LVPA Rule) that allowed large U.S. vessels over 50 feet in length that hold a federal American Samoa longline limited entry permit to fish within the LVPA to within about 12-17 nautical miles (nm) from shore around Swains Island, Tutuila, and the Manua Islands.

The 2016 LVPA rule was based on a recommendation in 2015 by the Council. The reduced LVPA area gave the longline fleet additional fishing grounds, as they were faced with many challenges - such as declining catch rates of albacore, lower fish prices, and increased fuel and operating costs.

With the 2016 LVPA rule invalidated by the federal court, the Council is again going through the process of seeking public comments and review possible changes to the LVPA — which is reserved for the local 'alia fleet.

Council executive director, Kitty M. Simonds, in a public memorandum last month outlined seven "Action Items" for considerations at the 171st Meeting and among them is the LVPA, for which the Council will consider taking initial action on options to provide an exemption to US-flagged longline vessels over 50-feet in length to fish within the American Samoa LVPA.

"The purpose of this action is to address continued poor economic performance in the American Samoa longline fishery and to eliminate regulations that may be unnecessarily restricting fleet movement and harming fishing efficiency," the memo explained.

In the early 2000s, there were around 40 small scale longline vessels — 'alia — and 25 larger vessels, both targeting albacore for the local canneries. The LVPA was established in 2002 to separate large vessels and small longline vessels to prevent potential gear conflict and catch competition.

However, since 2006, there have been less than 3 'alia operating, with only one 'alia longline vessel in operation since 2010, according to the memo, which also notes that around 15 large longline vessels continue to operate out of Pago Pago Harbor, "but under severe economic stress".

Based on the memo, "the Council will consider LVPA options that may serve to improve economic efficiency of large vessels while taking into consideration, among other things, the need to prevent overfishing, impacts on small vessels, and protecting American Samoa cultural fishing practices."

The seven listed LVPA options for consideration include:

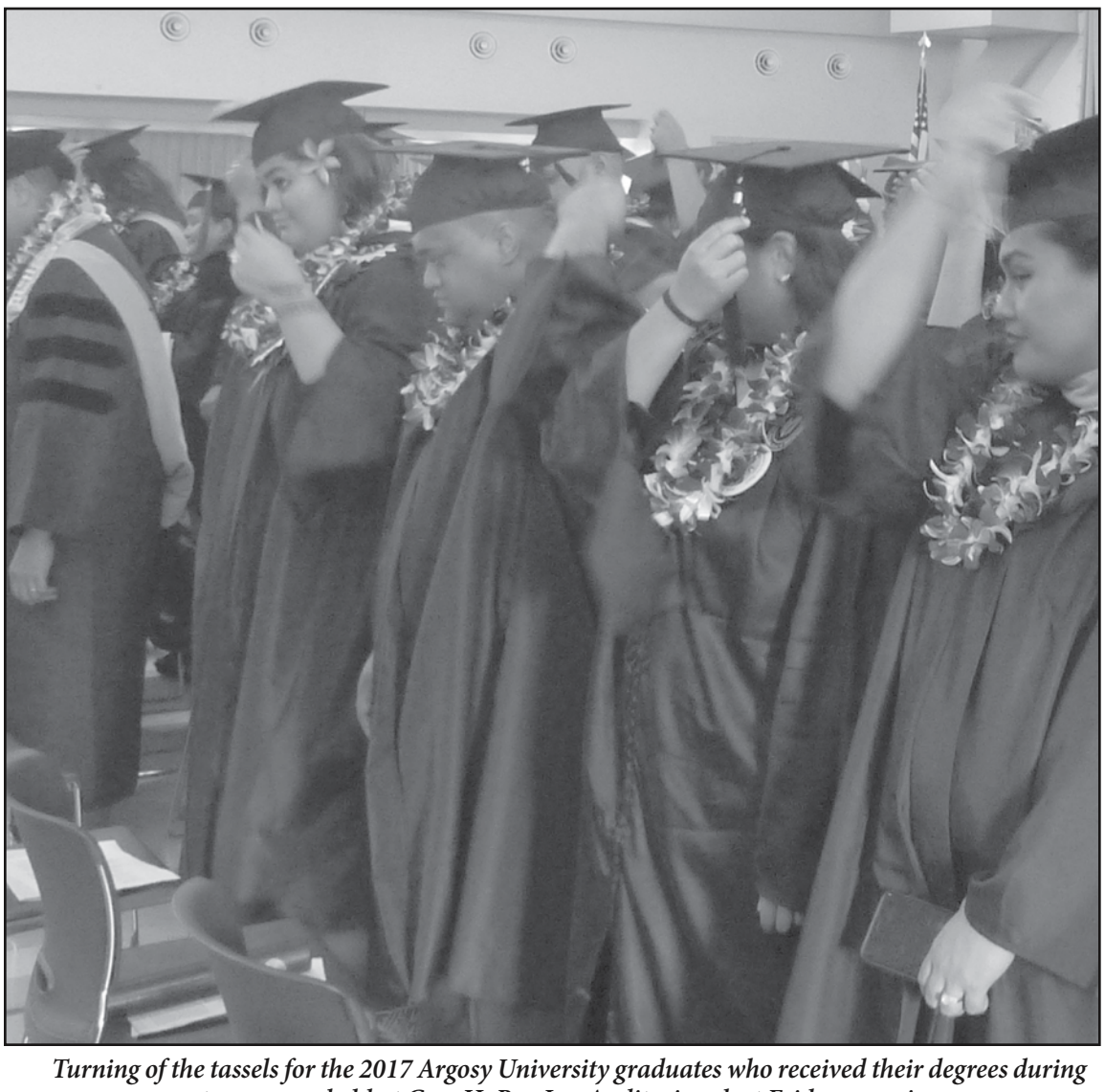
•Maintain the current status quo;

•25 nautical miles (nm) LVPA exemption area north of Tutuila and Manu'a but maintain 50 nm southern boundaries and 12 nm around Swains Island;

•LVPA exemption area seaward of 12 nm around Tutuila, Manua, and Swains Islands - the Council's preferred 2015 recommendation; and

•Apply exemption throughout LVPA areas.

The LVPA option and the American Samoa limited entry longline permit program, are the subject of the Council's public hearing set for Oct. 17 at the Lee Auditorium from 6p.m. to 8p.m. Written comments in advance of the meeting, should be submitted to: <email: info.wpcouncil@noaa.gov> or fax (808) 522-8226. Details of action items are available on the Council's website <www.wpcouncil. org>



Turning of the tassels for the 2017 Argosy University graduates who received their degrees during a commencement ceremony held at Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium last Friday morning.

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THE CONVERSATION

"THINK PAST THE ROPE; DON'T BE AN ELEPHANT!"

by Benjamin Hampton

Welcome back to The Conversation. Happy Monday! This last week has been an interesting one with several challenges for our group of local leaders.

Even more so challenging has this week been for those in our local community who are business owners and will be the ones most affected initially by these new measures being put in place.

I had planned to unpack some of the suggestions made by Mr. Tom Drabble in our past 2 columns, until I spoke with three business owners in the community. These individuals all own and operate fairly large operations, and their take on things is that those pushing this agenda forward in the government are not thinking clearly in some very basic areas. So it is with this in mind we dive into The Conversation this week.

To begin with, it's fairly easy to understand that if a local business is charged more money to do the same job they've done in the past, but now for less, the only direction those extra charges can go is to the end customer. That is us in the public. Is there any doubt about this?

This seems to be a very basic truth that escapes those who have been on the Revenue Task Force, and one that seems to have escaped both the Senate and Fono Representatives.

This comes right on the heels of an announcement that many of those on island who are providing for their families through their jobs at our local Cannery will be dramatically affected in the upcoming months. This will of course also affect local businesses who serve those whose income is about to be sliced and diced worse than the tuna and mackerel they can no longer process…

Sometimes it's good to stop and think of it about what the long-term effects of choices we make today will be.

Are the decisions being made right now even going to work in the short-term much less the long-term?

When I say long-term, I'll be content if the conversation we're having around these issues can at least be forward-thinking enough to simply cover the next 5 years! Holy Short-Sighted, Batman!

One of the most consistent comments I've heard since starting this column in June, is that there is no point in even trying to influence those who are in positions of authority here on island. That there is no hope for change. The things are the way they are, and they will always be that way no matter what.

As you may have heard me state before, if I believed that I would not be spending my time writing this column nor attempting to advance some of the thoughts that have been shared here by myself and other community members.

I want to let you know, that I personally have never met a group of people in the world with as much potential for amazing advancements who possess the body of raw God-given talent as I have found here among my wife, her family and the Samoan people as a general group.

I personally have friends from many nations around the globe, and have connected with people from literally every continent in my travels and during my college years. This thought is shared by many whom I have met who have had the pleasure of meeting and befriending Samoans in other parts of the world. There is so much capacity for good and so much capacity for amazing things it is unbelievable. Yet what are you doing with these blessings? More importantly, what WILL you do with them? It is a perplexing question that reminds me of a story I will share with you now.

Fran Briggs shares:

"As a father and his son were passing the elephants at a circus enclosure, the little boy suddenly stopped, confused by the fact that these huge creatures were being held by only a small rope tied to their front leg. No chains, no cages. It was obvious to him that the elephants could, at anytime, break away from the ropes they were tied to but for some reason, they did not. The little boy stopped and asked his Father, "Daddy, why are the elephants not able to break that little rope?"

The father thought this was strange as well, and as he saw a trainer nearby, he asked him why these beautiful, magnificent animals just stood there and made no attempt to get away. "Well," he said, "when they are very young and much smaller we use the same size rope to tie them and, at that age, it's enough to hold them. As they grow up, they are conditioned to believe they cannot break away. They believe the rope can still hold them, so they never try to break free."

The father and his son were both amazed. These animals could at any time break free from their bonds but because they believed they couldn't, they were stuck right where they were.

Like the elephants, how many of us go through life hanging onto a belief that we cannot do something, simply because either it's never been done before, or we may fail if we try?

Don't Act Like An Elephant!

In India, elephants are used for manual labor.

When an elephant is small and weighs approximately 200 pounds, it is securely tied with a heavy-duty rope. In between "jobs," the elephant tries to break through its limitation. The calf whines, tugs-even tries to chew through the rope- but it is unable to break free. Finally, the elephant gives up its will. He accepts his circumstances. His spirit is broken.

The elephant believes there is absolutely no chance to free himself and overcome his "limitation." This is recognized as a "defining moment." A defining moment is the exact moment one adopts/accepts a new belief that drastically alters their life. They accept this "new belief" as a "truth," regardless if it is true or not. Because the brain accepts repetition of thought and deduction as "the truth," the rope reigns sovereign not only in the calf's immediate environment, but in his mind as well.

With this "belief" deeply embedded in the elephant's mind, his handler came up with an ingenious idea to permanently disempower him. He realized all that was needed was to tie the four-ton animal up with extremely small ropes and he would remain tied. You see in the elephant's mind, any size rope would keep him "securely confined."

Once again, don't act like an elephant. Size up and break through the confining ropes in your mind. When you're faced with change, change your perspective. When you're overwhelmed with something new, change your view.

Rather than be confined, free your mind, and the actions that follow will be amazing!

Here's a story about George Dantzig - the famed mathematician whose contributions to Operations Research and systems engineering have made him immortal.

As a college student, George studied very hard and often late into the night. So late, that he overslept one morning, arriving 20 minutes late for Prof. Neyman's class. He quickly copied the two maths problems on the board, assuming they were the homework assignment. It took him several days to work through the two problems, but finally he had a breakthrough and dropped the homework on Neyman's desk the next day.

Six weeks later, on a Sunday morning, George was awakened at 6 a.m . by his excited professor. Since George was late for class, he hadn't heard the professor announce that the two equations on the board were examples of unsolvable mathematical equations, used as mind-teasers, that even Einstein hadn't been able to answer.

But George Dantzig, working without any thoughts of limitation, had solved not one, but two problems that had stumped mathematicians for thousands of years.

Simply put, George solved the problems because he didn't know he couldn't. You are not limited to the life you now live. It has been accepted by you as the best you can do at this moment. Any time you're ready to go beyond the limitations currently in your life, you're capable of doing that by choosing different thoughts. All you must do is figure out how you can do it, not whether or not you can. And once you have made your mind up to do it, it's amazing how your mind begins to figure out how."

I want to encourage you, just because things in the past have been that way for a long time, does not mean they will need to stay that way forever. Nor does it mean in our current situation, that what is being placed into law cannot be changed. These are things that just as they are being changed now can be changed later.

However, if we stand idly by and are passive in our approach and allow things that we know are not going to be good for either the short-term or the long-term, we will be deserving of every negative thing that comes from these measures being put in place right now. Let us not be like the elephant, a very powerful animal, possibly the most powerful animal on the planet who is trapped and snared by the idea that a tiny rope is impossible to be broken.

Cultural boundaries, old ways, and family ties are not unbreakable… As a matter of fact, nor are they inflexible! I'm not saying we have to break anything necessarily, rather work out ways that will meet both the best of the culture and the best of the current situations as possible.

But if the old ways truly are no longer serving the present, and most importantly the future, then new ways must be forged… And it's really hard to create something new inside of an old structure…

Kind of like the the old Fono building that was just demolished over the last few weeks. Why don't we build something new and fresh together, right now, that will serve the best for all? What a shame it would be to have a new building, only to be filled with stale old ineffective thinking.

We can do SO much better!

Just as the elephant has no equal in the animal kingdom, neither do the Samoan people among other people groups on the planet.

You're a phenomenal, untapped resource of incredible possibilities; you're a powerful majestic, and magnificent people; what's a little rope got on you?

Now is the time to unite; to rise up and work towards the best future, for your children, and your children's children.

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2017 Stars of Oceania to be held in American Samoa

TRIUMPH THROUGH RESILIENCE AND HEALING; GOOD LEADERS LEAD, GREAT LEADERS HEAL

For the first time since it was inaugurated in 2006, the Stars of Oceania is being hosted outside of Hawaii. The 2017 Stars of Oceania event will be held in American Samoa, Wednesday, October 04, 2017 at the Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium in Utulei, 6:00p.m. -8:30p.m. Registration starts at 5:30p.m.

With the exception of tables reserved for sponsors and donors, attendance is open to the public at no cost with open seating and no host refreshments available.

"The event is not a fundraiser. Its purpose is to recognize, honor and appreciate excellence in leadership by Pacific Islanders and long term residents' for their service to the people of Oceania and communities at large they live in," stated UH Pacific Business Center Program Director, Papalii Dr. Tusi Avegalio, the primary organizer of the event. "The public, women and aspiring young leaders in particular are invited to share in the honoring of leadership exemplified by moral courage, resilience, sacrifice, devotion, healing and triumph."

Special gratitude is extended to Gov. Lolo Matalasi Moliga and administration in providing the venue for the 2017 Stars of Oceania event enabling the Stars of Oceania to be moved from Hawai'i to American Samoa.

Having the highest female cabinet appointments in American Samoa's history and one of the highest in the region is a compelling example of women in leadership roles.

The event, promotes the Stars as role models and inspirations towards positive achievement. Additionally, the 2006 inaugural event established a scholarship program for Pacific Islands' students attending the University of Hawaii with the first Stars of Oceania being awarded in 2007.

As echoed through history, education is the most powerful force that can change the world.

There will be three compelling talks on Wednesday evening.

Dr. Joanne Preston will deliver the opening keynote. She has worked with many distinguished leaders over the decades including the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize winner Lech Walesa of Poland and the 1993 Nobel Peace Prize winner Nelson Mandela of South Africa. Both historical symbols of resiliency, healing and Triumph.

This will be followed by a cultural presentation by Ipu Avegalio Lefiti, of the sacredness and values associated with the Samoan Taupou that has received widespread national and local acclaim.The cultural presentation reaffirms the words of Nelson Mandela, that, 'There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children."

The closing remarks for the event will be by the Honorable Fiame Naomi Mata'afa, a traditional and modern leader of her government of Samoa who is one of the most respected and recognized women leaders from Oceania in the world.

American Samoans to be recognized at the 2017 Stars of Oceania awards include a Posthumous Award for the late Congressman Faleomavaega Eni Hunkin. The other distinguished daughters and sons of American Samoa serving the public good are Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard, Congressional Delegate Aumua Amata, and US Department of the Interior Office of Insular Affairs Director Nikolao Pula.

Due to congressional demands of the US Congress

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Argosy University hosted its commencement ceremony last Friday at the Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium in Utulei. Altogether, the school's American Samoa campus awarded 4 Associate of Science degrees, 52 Bachelor's Degrees, 38 Master's Degrees, and 5 Doctorates . **[photo: Leua Aiono Frost]**

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

by Samoa News Staff

COMMUNITY MEMBERS URGED TO HELP WITH DISASTER RELIEF EFFORTS

A Disaster Relief fundraiser, aimed at raising money for the victims of states and territories recently affected by natural disasters - as well as local residents - is being publicized and help is being sought via solicitations letters to various government departments and agencies, the private sector, and community faith-based organizations.

Some of the events being planned include a radiothon and telethon on Saturday, Oct. 28th. The radiothon will be held from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. with collection points set up around the territory where donations can be made. The telethon picks up after 4 p.m. and will run until 10 p.m. at the Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium, where there will be entertainment while pledges are announced on KVZK-TV.

Those who want to entertain during the event can contact Disaster Relief Committee member Samana Semo Ve'ave'a at the Dept. of Homeland Security for more information.

The relief drive was originally set up to raise money for states affected by hurricanes but now the efforts will also include contributions for locals affected by disasters in the territory, as the relief efforts are under the American Samoa chapter of the Red Cross, the agency that generally responds with emergency relief when locals fall victim to natural disasters like hurricanes, mudslides, landslides, and flooding.

Local Red Cross chairman Vaito'a Hans Langkilde told Samoa News yesterday that the Disaster Relief efforts are fully backed by Governor Lolo Matalasi Moliga, and the money raised will be sent to the National Red Cross, who will determine where and how the funds will be disbursed.

In addition to money that will be raised, both Bluesky and ASTCA have agreed to donate to relief efforts a portion of the cost of cell phone texts to a Disaster Relief number between Oct. 18th and Oct. 28th

CDC TEAM HERE TO STUDY DENGUE OUTBREAK

A team from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) arrived in the territory last week, and they are here to carry out studies on mosquito-borne diseases, specifically Zika and dengue fever.

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FROM THE STAFF AND MANAGEMENT OF KS MART

COOL Stuff

COOL STUFF: PACSAFE VENTURE X40

by Barry Markowitz

Simply put, the Venture X40 is a bag for all reasons. An apt name could have been the Transformer, the Convertible, or maybe Pure Genius.

The magnificence of Pacsafe's Venture X40 ($249) is that it seems to get vastly more gear and keep it significantly more secure, than any other available bag its size. As its name accurately implies, it has 40 liters capacity, making it quite easy for airline carry-on and onboard stowing.

Cool Stuff saw the Venture X40 prototype 2 years ago and thought it was a great potential concept. After owning one for 3 months it's quite evident that Pacsafe designers had professional photographers' input. Unknown features of the Venture X40 reveal themselves daily, so Cool Stuff has been very patient in crafting our perspective. Grab your Venture X40, put in your bits & pieces (batteries, memory cards, cords, laptop, reference manuals) in its special well thought out zippered and velcro pockets. Then toss in your camera gear, DJI Mavic Pro Drone, and off you go. Hey, not so fast.

Pacsafe is so clever, they created three sizes of padded Camsafe case inserts ($49- $89) to absolutely positively protect your expensive gear, even from yourself. Yes, we in media are usually our own worst enemy in negligently destroying our own gear, from coffee spills, to stepping on our bags, to dropping them, to trusting them to an unsafe environment.

What most of we sports and event professionals do is use our bag only as a safe conveyance to get our gear to a destination, strip out our gear and accessories, and leave the bag in our car or in a designated "safe" media area. Contrasting this is breaking news actuality coverage, surf, ski, or in air aviation coverage where you may actually live out of your bag for many hours (maybe even for days as with the Samoa Tsunami or cyclone/hurricane/earthquake coverage).

The beauty of the Venture X40 and use of the optional Camsafe, is that it can be a photo bag one minute...pull out the internal Camsafe case and it's a great general purpose backpack.

Cool Stuff returned to the islands from shooting UCLA vs University of Hawaii football, and had to return immediately to Las Vegas for a family medical emergency. Cool Stuff was amazed that my valued Venture X40 transformed in 4 seconds. Just pulled out the inside Camsafe case, tossed in a few clothes and was off to the airport to care for a seriously ill family member.

The heart and soul of any Pacsafe product is its security mesh (Pacsafe's patented exo-mesh) and solid locking capability. Nobody is going to slash through any Pacsafe product with a razor blade or reach in an unsecured outside pocket to steal anybody's goodies.

With an optional Pacsafe cable, you can harness your bag to table legs or a pole to make it even more awkward to mess with. The existing right strap on the Venture X40 is already designed for security strapping... so you are actually good to go, Mate.

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The outside of your soon to cherish Venture X40, has compression straps to keep your bag tight and small, a pull out rain cover, a hydration port, a rugged heavy duty base for placing it on concrete/dirt, all sorts of hidden straps/clips/loops to connect your hat, Hydraflask insulated water bottle, headphones, lunch bag, umbrella, tripod, monopod, raincoat and more.

The one easy access outside pocket is perfect for ipads and other flat items you may want to grab after boarding a flight.

The Venture X40 is the least expensive bag you could ever buy once you consider how much you save from its protection of your expensive gear, ID, and credit cards from theft, bad weather, and ill placed stumbling feet. The Venture X40 is built to last and has the integrity of Pacsafe's good name/warranty behind it.

The Venture X40 is available in stealth black and Cool Stuff's favorite gorgeous blue (which made Cool Stuff an instant hero with the UCLA Bruin Rose Bowl Media Staff, when strutting in proudly with our Venture X40).

Venture X40, is clearly Cool Stuff's bag for a life of adventure and hanging out with you, our dear Coolio friends across the Pacific.

The Pacsafe Venture X40 is a class act on the trail, as carry-on in an overhead airline bin, or in the inner sanctum of the historic Rose Bowl Photo Media room, as above.

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Meilani Aiono of Nuuuli, pictured with her family and friends after the commencement exercises last Friday for Argosy University, held at the Fale Laumei. Aiono was awarded her bachelor's degree during the ceremony. **[photo: Leua Aiono Frost]**

Notice for Proposed Registration of Matai Title

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 6.0105 of the Revised Code of American Samoa that a claim of succession which has been filed with the Territorial Registrar's office for the registration of the Matai Title **MALAEPULE** of the village of OLOSEGA by SAITE S. MOLIGA of the village of OLOSEGA, county of OLOSEGA, MANU'A District.

THE TERRITORIAL REGISTRAR is satisfied that the claim, petition by the family and certificate of the village chiefs are in proper form.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that anyone so desiring must file his counterclaim, or objection to the registration of this matai title with the Territorial Registrar Office before the expiration of 60 days from the date of posting. If no counterclaim, nor any objection is filed by the expiration of said 60 days, the matai title **MALAEPULE** shall be registered in the name of SAITE S. MOLIGA in accordance with the laws of American Samoa.

POSTED: **AUGUST 30, 2017 thru OCTOBER 30, 2017**
SIGNED: **Taito S.B. White, Territorial Registrar**

Fa'aaliga o le Fa'amauina o se Suafa Matai

Ole fa'aaliga lenei ua faasalalauina e tusa ma le Maga 6.0105 o le tusi tulafono a Amerika Samoa, e pei ona suia, ona o le talosaga ua faaulufaleina mai i le Ofisa o le Resitara o Amerika Samoa, mo le fia faamauina o le suafa matai o **MALAEPULE** o le nu'u o OLOSEGA e SAITE S. MOLIGA o OLOSEGA faalupega o OLOSEGA, falelima i MANU'A.

Ua taliaina e le Resitara lea talosaga, faatasi ma le talosaga a le aiga faapea ma le tusi faamaonia mai matai o lea nu'u, ma ua i ai nei i teuga pepa a lea ofisa.

A i ai se tasi e faafinagaloina, ia faaulufaleina sana talosaga tete'e, po o sana faalavelave tusitusia i le Ofisa o Resitara i totonu o aso e 60 mai le aso na faalauiloa ai lenei fa'aaliga. Afai o lea leai se talosaga tete'e, po'o se faalavelave foi e faaulufaleina mai i aso e 60 e pei ona taua i luga, o lea faamauina loa lea suafa matai i le igoa o SAITE S. MOLIGA e tusa ai ma aiaiga o le tulafono a Amerika Samoa.

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The 'Fathers of the Territory'...

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nation for the meaning of 'population' of districts," the Manu'a senators argued and noted that there are 15 traditional counties of American Samoa — five of them in Manu'a.

Despite having five counties, Manu'a is represented by only three senators.

"Manu'a's traditional counties are underrepresented in the present composition of the Senate," the Manu'a senators argued.

"It is the wisdom and foresight of our Manu'a forefathers who saw it was best for our people to align ourselves with the United States of America by entering into the Deed of Cession in 1904," the senators pointed out.

Furthermore, "the decisions made for us by our wise forefathers who signed the Deed of Cession and the American Samoa Constitution should be respected and honored," the senators said. "It was their wish that all Samoans are represented fairly in our Legislature."

The measure had sought to amend the Constitution, so that Manu'a would have five senators, instead of the current three. It would have been one senator from each of the five Manu'a counties: Ta'u, Fitiuta, Faleasao, Ofu and Olosega (together with Sili village).

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See advertisement elsewhere in today's Samoa News for details and contacts for your ticket purchases. **[Courtesy photo]**

2017 Stars of Oceania…

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currently in session, Congressional representatives Tulsi and Aumua Amata are sending videos to feature their greetings and remarks. Director Nikolao Pula will be present and recognized.

Others also attending: A delegation from the Northern Marianas Islands led by Representative Ivan Blanco of the CNMI Legislature and Mr. Stanley Tapuaialupe Iakopo, Executive Director of the Civil Military Liaison Office under the Office of the Governor of the CNMI, who will accept the posthumous Stars of Oceania award on behalf of the CNMI people for the late Honorable Eloy Songao Inos, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, Saipan; as well as individuals from Fiji, a representative of PIFON, and a representative from Samoa.

This year, the focus of the 2017 Stars of Oceania is on leaders of inspiration and accomplishment – primarily women.

The leadership theme of this year's Stars of Oceania is: 'Triumph Through Resilience and Healing; GOOD LEADERS LEAD, GREAT LEADERS HEAL.'

The theme underscores the nobility and strength of women to overcome challenges and to rise above self-limiting doubts to achieve their potential. It promotes actions so that women do not live in fear, intimidation or discrimination.

The theme also draws from the cultural wisdoms of ancestors that point to healing and leadership as gifts to those willing to accept the responsibility with the moral courage to do the right thing.

The Stars of Oceania is driven by a compelling vision to bring a message of inspiration, resilience, triumph and healing by some of the most amazing women leaders and individuals Oceania has gifted to the people of the Pacific and beyond.

Security…

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as they make it out to be.

"I understand their concern and I know for a fact that I was at fault that day," Samana said. "It was not my intention to go to the Immigration Office and embarrass anybody, no, I was there because the Attorney General requested myself and my department to install security cameras at the Immigration Office, specifically inside the room where ID photos are taken, and also outside in the waiting area where people sit, in front of the Immigration Office."

He continued, "I thought that if I talked to the Immigration Chief or his assistant, then everything would be settled and my staff could start the work. But that was not the case. I was told by the Assistant Chief Immigration Officer that I had to contact the Attorney General first for permission, before we can do any assessments in the office."

Samana said it was after the disagreement with the Immigration staff, that he went to the AG's office to meet with Talauega, and that's when the two men went to the Immigration Office together to iron things out and start the assessment of the office.

"I understand the whole purpose of installing security cameras at the EOB building, because we need to monitor everything that is going on there, in case we have to investigate something in the future, at least we have security cameras to help us," Samana said.

When asked to elaborate, the AS-DHS director told Samoa News there are ongoing investigations regarding several issues in the territory.

"I can't comment on what specific cases I'm referring to. All I can say is that we have drug problems on island, immigration problems, and also safety issues. These are the issues that we're working on right now to investigate, and I can't release any specific information until our investigations with other government law enforcement agencies such as DPS and Customs are complete," said Samana.

He confirmed that security cameras will be installed inside the Immigration office — in the ID photo room and the outside waiting area. Other cameras will be also installed at the entry and exits of the EOB, for the purpose of monitoring every movement inside and outside of the government building.

"Our department is responsible for the safety of our people," Samana emphasized. "We want to make sure that everyone is safe. This is the place where our government leaders are working everyday. So, the issue of installing security cameras is not about trying to let someone get got or trying to keep an eye on certain people. No, it's all about prevention and trying to control every action

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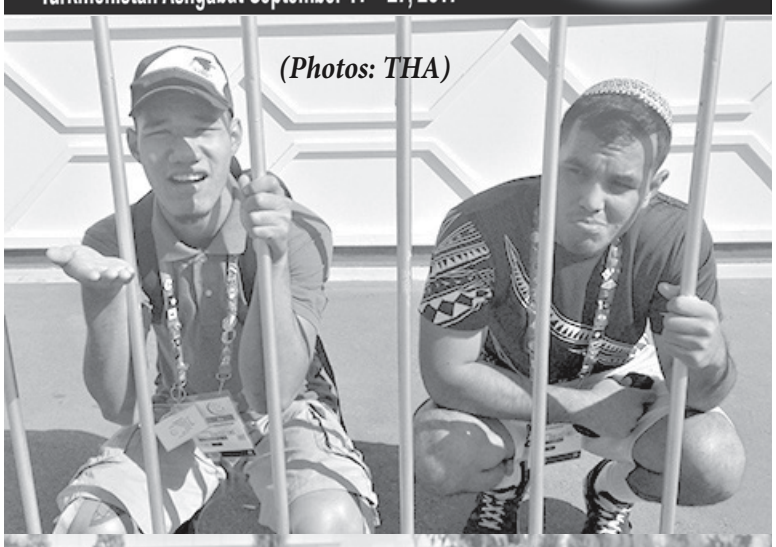

(Photos: THA)

One of Bank of Hawaii's local management team was present during the Hope House dinner Thursday night, and on behalf of BOH, she was presented an award by Bishop Peter Brown, head of the Diocese of Samoa Pago Pago, in recognition of the bank's financial assistance to Hope House, worth more than $25,000 every year. **[photo: Leua Aiono Frost]**

compiled by Samoa News staff

ASTCA SEEKS SECOND LOAN FROM RETIREMENT FUND

The American Samoa Telecommunications Authority is in the process of obtaining a second loan from the American Samoa Government Employees Retirement Fund, according to the Executive Director of the Retirement Fund, Iaulualo Talia Faafetai, responding to KHJ News questions last week, Wednesday.

He said the Retirement Fund Board has discussed the loan request however no decision has been made. Asked about the amount of the loan, Iaulualo said there are varying loan amounts for various stages of projects that ASTCA is planning, relating to undersea fiber optic infrastructure.

Meanwhile on Thursday, the House Communications Committee, chaired by Rep Vailoata Amituanai questioned the Executive Director of ASTCA, Puleleiite Tufele Li'amatua Jr, about ASTCA operations.

In response to questions from the Committee Chairman, the director said there's a balance of $3.2 million left on a $4.7 million loan that ASTCA obtained from the Retirement Fund last year.

Puleleiite said ASTCA's loan payments are good.When the chairman asked about plans for another loan, the ASTCA boss said in the second week of October, ASTCA is completing a loan application to the Rural Utilities Service to carry out critical projects.

These include upgrading the mobile phone network, connecting to the Hawaiki Cable as well as Samoa's Tui Samoa Cable temporarily.

Chairman Vailoata Amituana'i advised Puleleiite to be cautious regarding the role of Aoe'e Adolfo Montenegro, who is the governor's consultant for telecommunications. He said there may be legal ramifications for ASTCA, given that Aoe'e is involved in litigation.

Another issue that Amituanai asked Puleleiite to clarify is why ASTCA is not receiving any dividends from the $9 million that the government invested in the American Samoa Hawaii Cable.

Puleleiite said he predicts dividends will be paid and a firm answer on this matter should come from Gov. Lolo Matalasi Moliga.

(Source: talanei.com)

CEO HITS BACK AT 'ILLEGAL LEAKING'

Samoa's Ministry of Justice and Courts Administration, C.E.O. Papali'i John Afele Taimalelagi has defended the Court's process of petitions which are filed with the Judiciary.

This follows concerns expressed by a group from the Malietoa family who called on the President of the Land and Titles Court, Fepuleai Ropati Atilla, to investigate alleged "illegal leaking" of a petition in what they said is a sensitive matter.

The call on the President was highlighted in a letter obtained by the Sunday Samoan.

Dated 25 September 2017, the letter was signed by Papali'i Titiuatoa Malietoa, Papali'i Ioane Malietoa and Papali'i Malietau Malietoa and the official stamp of the Court acknowledging receipt was clearly visible.

Their petition, they had said, should not have ended up with another party before it was publicized in the 'Savali'.

However in a response from the M.J.C.A. Chief Executive Officer, Papali'i flatly denied their assertion that the document had been illegally leaked and further, explained the process.

However first, the M.J.C.A. Chief Executive Officer made it clear that he had declared his conflict of interest with the "issue at hand" due to his familial ties.

"I am responding in my capacity as the C.E.O. specifically targeting the Petition Process, nothing more.

"This is the process.

"Once a petition is filed and signed, then the parties, swear an oath in front of the Deputy Registrar or Registrar.

"Once the fee is paid, it becomes a legal document of the court.

"Then the matter is handled by the Mediation and Registrations Division. They schedule a date for mediation for all the parties and at the same time, the petition is passed over, to the Lands and Titles court.

"It's from there summons letters are issued to the other parties or respondents.

"The summons letters inform them of the petition and a copy of the petition will be attached with the summons letters.

"Also in the summons letters, are basic instructions of when the matter is scheduled to be held at the Court.

"At the same time, the petition is being prepared to be sent over to the 'Savali' for publication.

"The petitions are not confidential documents," said Papali'i. "The petitions are given to the respondents or interested parties as they are entitled to have copies.

"The statute requires that the petitions are given to all parties of the petition and as well, it's a must to be advertised in the 'Savali'," explained Papali'i.

(Source: samoaobserver.ws)

Attorney General, Talauega Eleasalo Ale and Director of Department of Homeland Security, Samana Semo Ve'ave'a. Talauega has requested Samana to install security cameras at the Immigration Office, including the room used to take ID card photos. [photo: AF]

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to make sure nothing is going to happen to our leaders and everyone who uses government services at the EOB building everyday," Samana said.

According to Samana, for the safety of everyone, DHS is planning to install security cameras around the whole island — especially in those areas believed to be used by people dealing in drugs. Samana told Samoa News that these security cameras will be placed in areas where the public cannot see them.

"The project will soon be done and the installation of these security cameras around the island will be conducted by my staff as soon as their survey is complete. We have already installed security cameras at the main Port in Fagatogo.

"Our main purpose of doing this is to control any illegal actions, because that's our job," Samana concluded.

BACKGROUND

In the meantime, talanei.com reports that people who showed up at the Immigration Office for Immigration ID cards last Friday, Sept. 30, were told to return this week. The reason is because the camera equipment is down. An Immigration official said that when the machine was turned on that morning it was not working.

Samoa News was told by an Immigration officer that the camera overheated on Wednesday due to being 'over' worked, as that was the only day designated by the Attorney General as "ID" issuance day, while an investigation is underway into a large number of fake ID cards that have been discovered. Talanei.com reports the Attorney General said last week that he's given directions to designate Monday to Thursday for ID card renewals and reserve Fridays for the issuance of new ID cards. It also said an immigration officer noted their office is not issuing any IDs until the machine is repaired.

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As of November 2016, over 200 confirmed cases of dengue fever have been reported in the territory, and in less than a year, the number of confirmed Zika cases has reached 93.

CDC representatives, as part of their outreach efforts, will be visiting different villages in the territory — especially those in districts where most of the confirmed cases have been reported from — to look at ways to prevent the disease from spreading, and talking to community members. The team will also be collecting mosquito samples for testing purposes. They encourage the public not to be alarmed when they see them around the villages but instead, come over and start a dialogue on how they can work together to combat diseases like dengue and Zika. Currently, the Department of Health (DOH) is going full throttle with outreach efforts, paying for advertisements and sending workers out in the field to preach the 4Ds of prevention: Drain, DEET, Dress, and Discussion.

Dengue fever is a disease caused by a family of viruses transmitted by mosquitoes. Symptoms include severe joint and muscle pain, swollen lymph nodes, headache, fever, exhaustion, and rash. There is no specific medicine or antibiotic to treat dengue so treatment is directed towards relief of the symptoms. A vaccine for dengue fever was approved in April 2016 for use in dengue-endemic areas. Zika is also carried by infected mosquitoes and can cause birth defects when it is passed from a pregnant woman to her fetus. Microcephaly is a birth defect that causes babies to be born with small heads. It is a sign of incomplete brain development. Zika can be transmitted through sex, so the use of condoms is encouraged.

DOH encourages everyone to clean up around their homes and surrounding areas, drain containers that hold water which can serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes, and protect yourself with mosquito repellant containing DEET.

Most importantly, 'discuss' with others the importance of maintaining a clean environment. Those who want to get rid of big items, such as scrap metal, are advised to call ASPA at 699-1234 and ask where the designated 'drop off area' for your scrap metal and solid waste is located. Using this service waives all associated fees.

More information can be obtained by calling the DOH emergency preparedness hotline at 699-8690.

BLUESKY DONATES $2,000 TO HOPE HOUSE

Last week, the Bluesky management team visited Hope House to present the company's $2,000 donation in celebration of Hope House's 30th anniversary. Interim Country Manager, Raj Deo was accompanied by Bluesky's controller, Joseph Tuiteleleapaga; human resources director, Lisa Gebauer; sales manager, Josephine Ieremia; marketing manager, Marilyn Gabriel; customer service manager, Sherry Sele; and other managers of Bluesky's technical engineering team who were also able to be part of the visit. According to a news release from the company, Bluesky is the preferred telecommunications provider for Hope House and the company "has always been very supportive of the work and service the special facility provides for the elderly and children with special needs of American Samoa." Bluesky participates in the annual Hope House Golf Tournament fundraisers — either by sponsoring a team or two — providing prizes for the raffle, and/ or donates in-kind services. "In addition, Bluesky has initiated text promotions during sports foundation past visits by Jim Jones and Troy Polamalu whereby the telecommunication company matches total funds raised and donates it to Hope House." During their presentation, the Bluesky American Samoa management team were greeted by the residents of Hope House, Bishop Peter Brown, and Hope House board members. The same day of the presentation marked a very special day for one of the long-time elderly residents of Hope House, Mrs. Faia'ai Mata'u who celebrated her 92nd birthday that day.

The Bluesky team, following their presentation last Monday Sept. 25th, was able to tour the facilities with Hope House manager, Mrs. Beatrice Mageo.

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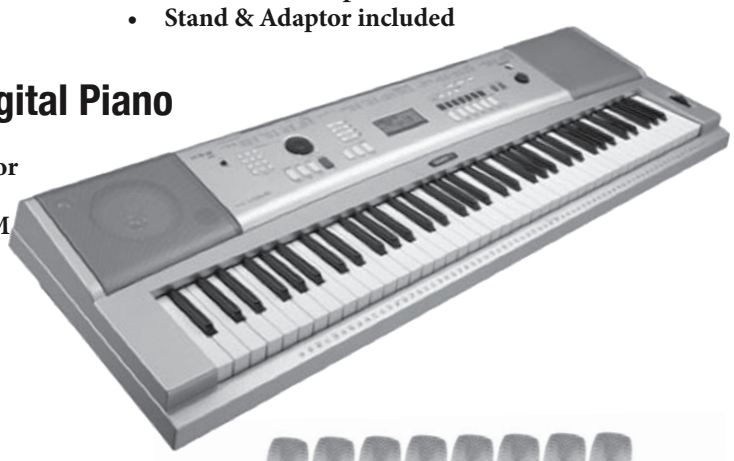

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[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

Pasia Faipule le Pili e suia ai lafoga maualalo mo pisinisi i le atunu'u

tusia Ausage Fausia

E 14-3 le palota na pasia ai e afioga i Faipule o le maota o sui i le aso Faraile na te'a nei, le pili e suia ai lafoga maualalo e 1% mo pisinisi i Amerika Samoa, fa'atasi ai ma suiga.

O Faipule na palota tete'e i lenei tulafono e aofia ai le afioga a Toeaina Faufano Autele; afioga Vui Florence Saulo, ma le afioga Timusa Tini Lam Yuen.

O suiga e 2 a le maota o sui i le tulafono taufaaofi lenei sa talosagaina e le faigamalo, e le gata ua fa'atulaga ai le 50% o tupe e maua mai i lenei lafoga mo le falema'i o le LBJ, ae ua aofia ai fo'i ma le vaega e fa'aleaoga ai loa le lafoga o totogi e 2% sa totogi e tagata faigaluega i totonu o le atunu'u mo le tele o tausaga ua mavae.

O suiga e pei ona pasia e le maota o sui, ua fa'aopoopo i ai i totonu o le tulafono fa'aupuga e faa'pea, "O le 25% o le tupe e maua mai i lenei lafoga o le a tuuina atu mo le falema'i o le LBJ, e fesoasoani ai i le polokalame e auina atu ai gasegase i fafo mo togafitiga; ae o le isi 25% o le tupe e ao mai, o le a tuuina atu fo'i i le falema'i e fesoasoani ai i lana auaunaga. O lea vaega tupe e tatau ona teuina i totonu o se teugatupe faapitoa mo le Pulega a le Falema'i, ia le silia le aso 5 o masina ta'ita'i."

E pei ona taua e le faigamalo i le fa'atomuaga o lenei tulafono, ua matua to'atele naua pisinisi i le atunu'u ua 'alo mai le totogiina o a latou lafoga fa'atulaga e tatau mo pisinisi, fuafua lea i tupe maua a le pisinisi i le tausaga.

O lenei tulafono, o le a mafai ai ona talafeagai lafoga e totogi e pisinisi uma, fuafua i le tulaga o lona tamaoaiga sa maua i le tausaga.

O le a fa'aagafua i le tulafono lenei pisinisi uma fa'atoa amata i le tausaga tonu na amata fa'amaluluina ai lenei tulafono.

E le o aofia ai i lenei lafoga faalapotopotoga e le o galulue mo se tupe fa'asili, ae o lo o galulue lava i latou mo a latou auaunaga masani.

E ui i le tete'e o ni isi o le aufai pisinisi i lenei lafoga, ona o le a a'afia atu ai fua ma pisinisi o lo o fa'amaoni pea i le totogiina o le latou lafoga i le malo i tausaga ta'itasi, a o lea lava ua finagalo afioga i Faipule e pasia lenei tulafono, ina ia fesoasoani ai i tupe maua a le faigamalo.

O afioga i Faipule na palota ioe i lenei tulafono e aofia ai Fetui Fetu Jr; Vesi Talalelei Fautanu Jr; Lavea Fatulegae'e P. Mauga; Kitara Vaiau; Vailoata E. Amituana'i; Vailiuama S. Leasiolagi; Vaetasi Tuumolimoli S. Moliga; Faimealelei Anthony F. Allen; Manumaua W. Wilson; Sataua Dr. Mataese Samuelu; Samuel I. Meleisea; Gafatasi Afalava ma le afioga i le Fofoga Fetalai ia Savali Talavou Ale.

Le LALI

Toatasi na molimau iloiloga pili sui ai Fa'avae luma Senate

tusia Ausage Fausia

E na o le to'atasi le sui o le atunu'u lautele na mafai ona oo atu e molimau i se iloiloga sa fa'atulagaina e le Senate i le aso Faraile na te'a nei, mo le iloiloina o le iugafono maliliega fa'atasi a le maota maualuga e fuafua ai suiga o le Fa'avae.

O lea iugafono malilie fa'atasi, e tuu atu ai le malosi i le Fono Faitulafono e teena ai le faaiuga tete'e a le kovana (veto override) i se pili e pasia atu e le Fono.

E na o le susuga i le Matua ia Pulu Ae Ae Jr mai le afioaga o Pago Pago, na oo atu ma molimau i le iloiloga sa fa'afoeina e le Komiti o Tulafono a le maota maualuga, i lalo o le ta'ita'iga a le afioga i le sui peresetene ia Nuanuaolefeagaiga S. Nua.

I lana ulua'i folasaga, na talosagaina ai e Pulu le maota maualuga, mo se avanoa e avatu ai i tua i itumalo ma afioaga lenei iloiloga, ona o lo o to'atele le mamalu o le atunu'u e fia fa'aleo o latou finagalo e fa'atatau i lenei mataupu, ae fa'a faigata ona latou oo mai e molimau i luma o le fono.

Saunoa Pulu e fa'apea, e le fou lenei mataupu i le fa'afofoga a le atunu'u. Ua fa'afa fo'i na avatu tuu atu i le palota lenei mataupu ma teena mai ai e tagata palota. Atonu o loo e to'atele i latou e le o malamalama atoatoa i le aano o lenei fa'amoemoe, e le gata i lea, o loo i ai fo'i popolega a le to'atele ina ne'i aafia ai le atunuu i suiga o le Fa'avae, ona o lo o vaavaai mai i latou i le tele o mea fa'aletonu o lo o tutupu.

O ni isi o ia mea fa'aletonu e pei ona saunoa Pulu, o le solomua lea i Ta'ita'i o le malo le le fa'amaoni ma le le galulue fa'atasi.

Na taua e Pulu i lana saunoaga le tatau lea i le Fono ona toe silasila mamao i le tulaga o lo o i ai le va nonofo ai o Amerika Samoa ma le Iunaite Setete. I lona talitonuga, toe pau lava lenei o le vaega o le Fa'avae o le atunu'u o lo o maua ai le fesootaiga ma Amerika, o le mataupu e fa'atatau i le 'veto override', lea e tuu atu ai i le Failautusi o le Initeria le malosi na te fai mai ai se fa'aiuga i se pili e pasia e le Fono ae teena mai e le Kovana.

"Afai ua finagalo le Fono ma le atunu'u e sui le Fa'avae, ona tatou fesili muamua lea pe ua tatou sauni e fai lo tatou malo. I lo'u taofi, tatou te le i sauni. Tele mea fa'aletonu o lo o tutupu i le faigamalo o lo o silafia e le atunu'u, e o o lava fo'i i totonu o le maota o le Senate ma le maota o sui" o le saunoaga lea a Pulu na mafua ai ona tali fuaitau le afioga a Nua ma ia saunoa e faapea, "E i ai le talitonuga o le maota lenei, o lo o lelei ma maopoopo le faigamalo a Tutuila ma Manu'a, e leai se mea o faaletonu."

Na soisoi Pulu ma ia toe saunoa e fa'apea, "O lau saunoaga fai mai e le o i ai se fa'aletonu i le malo, alii e, ou te musu e ta'u atu i luma o le atunu'u mea ia e fa'aletonu, ina ne'i o'u tautala atu ona outou le fia fa'alogo mai lea ia te a'u."

E le i nofo lelei i finagalo o afioga i Senatoa le saunoaga a Pulu, o le mafua'aga lea na fa'atula'i ai loa e le afioga i le ali'i senatoa ia Tuaolo M. Fruean le mau, e fa'aagafua ai le molimau, ae alo le maota mo sana fa'aiuga.

A o le i tula'i le molimau, na maua le avanoa o le afioga i le ali'i peresetene o le Senate, Gaoteote Tofau Palaie e tali fuaiatau ai i le saunoaga a Pulu.

Na fa'ailoa e Gaoteote ia Pulu, le le nofo lelei o lana saunoaga i finagalo o afioga i Senatoa, ona o tu'uaiga e fa'apea

(Faaauau itulau 14)

Toatasi na molimau…

Mai itulau 13

o lo o tele fa'aletonu i totonu o le Fono Faitulafono. Ae i lona talitonuga, o le taua lena o faigamalo faatemokarasi e pei ona i ai le faigamalo a Amerika Samoa, e mafai ai ona faapaleni e le isi itu gaioiga o lo fai mai e le isi itu o le faigamalo.

Saunoa Gaoteote e fa'apea, soo se faigamalo lava, e lelei le tele o mafaufau e mafai ai ona fai fa'aiuga lelei, nai lo le tasi o le mafaufau e faia uma faa'iuga, ona le manuia lea.

"E leai se agaga o le Fono e fao malo i tulaga o faaiuga, ae o le agaga, ia tele ni mafaufauga e fau ai le faigamalo ina ia lelei ma maopoopo. E ui e le o logo malie lau saunoaga o lo o tele fa'aletonu i le Fono, ae i ai le talitonuga o oe o le Matua, e le iloa pe te'i ua i ai se aso e te seei ai i le nofoa o le itumalo i totonu o le maota fono," o le saunoaga lea a Gaoteote.

I le taimi o felafolafoaiga a le maota mo le tau fa'amaninoina o le iugafono soofaatasi, na fa'ailoa ai e le afioga i le tamaitai senatoa ia Fonoti T. Aufata lona le lagolagoina o le fuafuaga e sui le Fa'avae. I lona lava talitonuga, e tatau lava ona taoto pea le Fa'avae i le tulaga sa pasia mai ai e tuaa ua mavae.

Saunoa le afioga Faiivae I. Godinet e fa'apea, o se tasi lenei o mataupu sa masani ona saunoa i ai le tofa Faleomavaega Eni Hunkin a o avea ma faipule i le laumua i Uosigitone, i le leai lea o se taimi o le konekeresi e tau iloilo ai le Fa'avae o Tutuila ma Manu'a. I lona taofi, ua oo i le taimi ua tatau ai ona fai suiga o le Fa'avae. Saunoa Tuaolo e fa'apea, o le Faavae sa i ai, afai e teena e le Fono e ala i le palota 2/3 le malosi na teena ai e le kovana se pili sa pasia e le fono 'veto override', ona avea lea ol e faaiuga e fai mai e le Failautusi o le Initeria, peita'i o le suiga sa faia e le tofa Fofo Sunia ao avea ma sui o le atunu'u i Uosigitone, sa ia faaulu ai le pili ina ia ave sa'o le faaiuga e fai mai e le Initeria, ona e le fiafia o ia e fai e le tagata e toa'tasi fa'aiuga mo Tutuila ma Manu'a.

Saunoa le afioga a Galea'i M. Tuufuli e faapea, e le mafai ona iloa tulaga o le Fono Faa-le-atunu'u a Amerika Samoa, seiloga ua fai se suiga i le fesootaiga ma le Initeria, e ala i le sui o le vaega lea o le Fa'avae.

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TALA I VAIFANUA

tusia: Leua Aiono Frost

'AIGA FA'AFETAI HOPE HOUSE I PA'AGA

O le 'aiga fiafia o le fa'afetai sa tapena e afioga Epikopo Peter Brown o le Pule'aga Samoa Pago Pago, ma le Komiti Fa'afoe a le Hope House, ma le Aufaigaluega, sa fa'afiafiaina ai latou pa'aga sa foa'i ma le agaga fa'afetai mo le fa'aauauga o le tatua a le Hope House mo le 30 tausaga.

Sa vala'aulia le to'atele i sui o le malo, Kamupani, Pisinisi, ma Fa'alapotopotoga, i lea fa'atasiga i le afiafi o le aso Tofi ua te'a i Fatuoaiga

"O le po lenei, ua tapena ina ia mafai ona matou fa'ao'o atu le agaga o le fa'afetai, fa'afetai tele. Aua o lo outou a'ao foa'i mo tausaga e tele, ua le motusia ai lenei auaunaga aoga mo Matua Matutua ua mana'omia ona tausia fa'apitoa, le vasega o gasegase ua i ai afaina tumau o le tino ma le mafaufau, ae maise o i latou e ao ina tausia fa'apitoa. Ana leai lo outou foa'i mai, e le mafaia ona fa'ataunu'u lea galuega mo'omia e i latou. Fa'afetai tele le agaalofa ma ua foa'i ai ma le loto," o se tautalaga lea a Epikopo Peter Brown.

I lea afiafi, e fa fa'ailoga na tapena, e Epikopo Peter Brown, ma le ta'ita'ifono o le Komiti Fa'afoe o le Hope House Ta'afano Tavale, e taualoa ai nisi ua loa sa latou tautua mo le Hope House, e pei o le Sisters of Nazareth lea sa suia e le tamaita'i sa muaimalae i le fa'atuina o le Hope House, Sister Sheila mai Peretania.

O le fa'ailoga mo le malo Amerika Samoa sa tuuina atu i le Fa'atonusili o Tautua ma Alamanuia mo Tagata Lautele Taeaoafua Dr Meki Solomona. O le isi fa'ailoga mo le Lealaifuaneva Peter Reid Sr. Foundation ma Pisinisi a le GHC Reids i Amerika Samoa, sa talia e le Peresetene o GHC Reid, Olivia Reids Gillet.

O le fa'ailoga mulimuli i le Bank of Hawaii lea e silia i le $25,000 i tausaga ta'itasi le foai i le Hope House.

E le gata i nei fa'ailoga na tapena e le Hope House, ua latou va'ai fo'i i le tele o tautua sa mafai ona fa'atinoa le tausiga o gasegase ma tagata matutua i le nofoaga. O i latou o lo'o faigaluega pea i lenei nofoaga mai le amataga ona fa'atu mai se'ia o'o mai i lenei tausaga ua latou taualoaina fo'i.

Na saunia tusi e taualoa ai le tautua a Efrenia Ursolino LPN mo le 30 tasuaga o faigaluega pea i le Hope House. O Fane Ofa LPN ua atoa le 25 tausaga o lana tautua. O Susitina Maiava ua atoa le 18 tausaga o lana tautua. O Ema Leautuli ua 17 tausaga o le tautua, Leti Va'a ua 15 tausaga o le tautua. Fealoai Telovae ua atoa le 12 tausaga o le tautua ma Ana Foseta ua atoa le 10 tausaga o lana tautua i le Hope House.

Peita'i, e to'alua isi sui na taualoa la'ua tautua peita'i o le alii e fa'amoemoe tele i ai le Hope House ma lona pulega i tulaga o galuega fa'atino tau le toe fa'aleleia o le nofoaga: Ioane Jennings, o le supavaisa o le vaega a le Maintenance e 15 tausaga o lana tautua ma Fa'atau Kome ua atoa le 10 tausaga o lana tautua.

"E pau le mea e mautinoa ai le toe ausia o le isi 10 i le 20 pe tolusefulu o tausaga o lenei tautua, o le tatou galulue fa'atasi pea, i le agaga o le foa'i ma le tausoa fa'atasi o le tausiga o tatou matua matutua ua tausia fa'apitoa, le vaega o le fanau ua po'ia i gasegase tumau ona ua le atoatoa le malosi o le tino ma le mafaufau," o se i'umaea lea o le saunoaga a Epikopo Peter Brown.

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Tala i Vaifanua…

Mai itulau 14

fa'afofogaina fo'i e i latou tima'iga ina ia latou fa'autagia mo le tausaga a'oga atoa lenei o le a savalia.

E afua mai i fautuaga tau la'ei ma foliga mai o le tagata faipisinisi, sa matua fa'amamafa fo'i i ai le tautalaga a le tama'ita'i e fa'auluulu i ai le Vaega o A'oa'oga Fa'apisinisi a le Kolisi, Dr Faofua Va'apu'u Fa'atoafe.

"E ao i le faipisinisi ona la'ei e tusa o le tofi Faipisinisi. Laei mama ma fa'aatagia ai se pisinisi mama ma le solgoa lelei, e lauolaola ma e i ai tomai fa'apitoa e ono mau fa'atuatuaina e tagata ana oloa gaosi, po'o oloa fa'atau atu. E ao ina matua mama lona lauao ma e ia foliga mama i taimi uma ina ia le upuia lau tautua lautele i so'o se vapanoa o le va'aiga lautele fa'aletagata soifua."

"Pe afai ua ia te oe le fa'anaunauta'iga e te fia avea ma tagata faipisinisi iloga o le tatou atunu'u, e te la'ei ma e savali ma foliga mai o le tagata faipisinisi taualoa i lou malo," o a Dr. Fa'atoafe lea.

Na fa'amanino atili, "Ua outou iloa, matou te iloa lelei pe afai ae kopi e oe meaaoga ma tali o fesili mai le isi tamatiti o lau vasega, afai e toe tupu lena mea, e matua saili po'o ai na kopi, ae solofua lona togi, se'iloga lava e te toe taumafai lava oe e faia lau galuega e togia ai oe i au mataupu."

Ua fa'asa fo'i ona toe maua atu se tasi i nofonofo ma talanoa ma talie, ae le faia galuega e fa'aaogaina ai masini komipiuta i totonu o le potu a'oga mo nei masini. "E le maimau le 'auro i uli! O aga na a le tagata e le o i ai sana taunu'uga ua mae'a fa'atulaga, o le fa'amaumau taimi lelei. Ia iloa lelei, e maua lava e oe le fua sa e luluina, e maua togi maualuluga e i latou e mana'o ia mae'a lelei taumafaiga ma i'u lalei e taumafai se pisinisi ma lona aiga e fa'atautaia ia aoga i ai lana a'oa'oga na tausuai ai."

Ua faatulaga le Uokafoni ia Oketopa 14 a le Asosi a le BAOA e fa'atupe ai polokalame i le lumanai.

Ua taua'aoina fo'i kopi tusitusia a le fanau, ua lisia ai aiaiga o togi o le a fa'aaogaina e faia'oga e maka aga'i i ai galuega fa'atino i lenei tausaga a'oga. "O le iloa fo'i e outou o ala e maka ai outou galuega, o le tou taumafai atili lea ina ia outou tausaili i ala e maua ai togi lelei mo outou e fa'au'u ai a outou kosi fa'apisinisi iinei. Manatua e le pasi se tasi o le Mataupu lenei ma se C- aua o le togi lena ua D lava i le lipoti. E le aoga lea ia te outou pe afai e toe soso'o a outou aoga i Iunivesite i fafo atu o Amerika Samoa," o le toe tautalaga lea a Dr Fa'atoafe.

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10 : am	00'	K-pop World Festiva	Hollo Counselor (E,R)	Teenagers Drama Andante	Quiz on Korea 2017 (E,R)	Happy Together (E,R)	00'	Nature Concert in Jeju (E,R)	Encore Drama Golden Cross (E,R)	00'
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11 : am			Encore Drama "Golden Cross" (E,R)				00'	The Beauty		
	30'	Music Bank (E,R)					50'	K-pop World Festival		
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			Daily Drama "Lovers in Bloom" (E,R)							
1 : pm	50'	The Return of Superman (E,R)	Entertairment Weekly (E,R)	Girl's Generation 1979 Mon-Tue Drama (E,R)		Drama Special 2017 (E,R)			The Beauty (E,R)	30'
2 : pm									K-pop World Festival	20'
3 : pm	30'	Two Days and One Night (E,R)	Hollo Counselor (E,R)	Teenagers Drama Andante	Quiz on Korea 2017 (E,R)	Happy Together (E,R)	30'	Battle Trip (E,R)	Nature Concert in Jeju (E,R)	30'
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4 : pm	50'	Encore Drama Golden Cross (E,R)	Mon-Tue Drama Girls' Generation 1979 (E,R)	My Golden Life (Working title) (E,R)	Wed-Thu Drama Manhole (E,R)	Guerilla Date (E,R)	50'	My Golden Life (Working title) Weekend Drama (E,R)		50'
						The Return of Superman (E,R)				
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			Daily Drama "Lovers in Bloom" (E,R)							
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	30'	Hollo Counselor(E,R)	Andante	Quiz on Korea 2017	Happy Together	Nature Concert in Jeju				

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'Lone wolf' suspected in Canada terror attack, police chase

TORONTO (AP) — A car and knife attack on a police officer outside a football game and a high-speed chase of a moving van that left four people injured was the work of a Somali refugee who was likely working alone and was known to police for extremist ideology, Canadian authorities said Sunday.

Marlin Degrand, assistant commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, said officers took a 30-year-old man into custody in the Western Canadian city of Edmonton, Alberta.

Police declined to identify the man because he had not yet been charged, saying the pending charges included terrorism and five counts of attempted murder.

A Canadian government official identified the suspect as Abdulahi Hasan Sharif. The official agreed to reveal the name only if not quoted by name because he was not authorized to speak publicly ahead of the police announcement.

Edmonton Police Chief Rod Knecht said an Islamic State group flag was found in the car that hit the officer, and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau called it a terror attack.

The suspect was known to both Edmonton police and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Degrand said he was flagged in 2015 for extremist ideologies and police interviewed him at the time, but he said charges were not warranted after an "exhaustive investigation."

Degrand said the suspect is a refugee from Somalia who had applied for refugee status.

"To the best of our knowledge, this was a lone wolf attack," Edmonton Mayor Don Iveson said.

The incident took place outside a Canadian Football League game at Edmonton's Commonwealth Stadium on Saturday night.

Police released graphic video showing a white Chevrolet Malibu ramming into a police officer standing in front of his cruiser. The officer flies into the air and the Malibu then crashes into the police car.

The driver gets out and appears to stab the officer, who wrestles the suspect to the ground and then rises as the suspect flees on foot.

"Seeing the video is very upsetting because of the level of violence and level of intent," Iveson said.

The Edmonton police chief said Constable Mike Chernyk, a 48-year-old who has been an officer 11 years, was released from the hospital overnight with stab wounds on face and head and abrasions on his arms.

"He was in a struggle for his life, holding on to his gun with one hand and blocking the knife with the other," Knecht said.

A few hours later, a U-Haul van was stopped at an impaired driving checkpoint north of downtown, on Wayne Gretzky Drive. Knecht said the name of the driver was similar to the name of the registered owner of the car that hit the officer.

He said the van then sped off toward downtown with police in pursuit. Police said the vehicle swerved at pedestrians at crosswalks throughout the chase.

Four people were hurt. Two had been released from the hospital and one was upgraded from critical to stable condition. Their injuries ranged from broken limbs to brain bleeding.

The van eventually flipped near a downtown hotel and the suspect was arrested after a Taser was employed. No shots were fired by police or the suspect.

Witness Pat Hannigan told reporters he saw police pull a man from the windshield of the toppled van and estimated that 30 police cars had been chasing it. Austin Elgie, manager of The Pint bar just west of the downtown core, also saw the van zoom by with police giving chase. It "peeled" into an alley where people were smoking, he said.

"It was crazy," Elgie said. "It just came around the corner, ripping. I thought at first he was pulling over for the cops coming by, but he was clearly the one they were chasing."

Elgie said the van hit a man who was a bar customer.

"I have a registered nurse on my bar team, and I grabbed her and had her look after the guy until the ambulance came," he said. "He was breathing and we got him in the ambulance and he was still breathing."

It was military appreciation night at the football game between the Edmonton Eskimos and the Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

RFP: Financial and Single Audit Services for 2017-2019
Approved to issuance by: Ruth Matagi-Fa'atili; DBAS President
Date of issuance: August 16, 2017
Date & Time Due: October 30, 2017
No later than 2:00 pm local time

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2 women plead not guilty in N. Korean scion's assassination

SHAH ALAM, Malaysia (AP) — Two women accused of fatally poisoning the estranged half brother of North Korea's ruler pleaded not guilty as their trial began Monday in Malaysia's High Court, nearly eight months after the brazen airport assassination.

Siti Aisyah of Indonesia and Doan Thi Huong of Vietnam are suspected of smearing Kim Jong Nam's face with the banned VX nerve agent on Feb. 13 at a crowded airport terminal in Kuala Lumpur, killing him within about 20 minutes. The women say they thought they were playing a harmless prank for a hidden-camera show.

After asking for the charges to be read in their native languages, the women shook their heads when asked if they were guilty.

The women are the only suspects in custody in a killing that South Korea's spy agency said was part of a five-year plot by North Korean leader Kim Jong Un to kill a brother he reportedly never met. Police say several North Koreans suspected of involvement left the country on the day of the attack and others were allowed to leave later in a diplomatic deal with Pyongyang.

Lawyers for two women, who face the death penalty if convicted, asked the court to compel prosecutors to identify four people still at large mentioned in the charge sheet as having a common intention to kill Kim.

"A fair trial must include the right to know," Gooi Soon Seng, Aisyah's lawyer, told the court. "The charge must be clear, not ambiguous."

Prosecutors will now start to call their witnesses, with the first few likely to be medical experts to establish the cause of death. The trial is expected to last for about two months, after which the judge will decide if there is a strong case for the women to have to mount their defense, said Hisyam Teh Poh Teik, Huong's lawyer.

Kim, who was 45 or 46, was the eldest son of the family that has ruled North Korea since its founding, yet he reportedly fell out of favor in 2001 when he was caught trying to enter Japan on a false passport, saying he wanted to visit Tokyo Disneyland. He had been living abroad for years and at the time of his death was traveling on a North Korean diplomatic passport under the name "Kim Chol."

North Korea has a long history of ordering killings of people it views as threats to its regime, though Kim was not thought to be seeking influence over his younger brother. He had, however, spoken out publicly against his family's dynastic control of the reclusive, nuclear-armed nation.

Pyongyang has denied any role in the killing and has not even acknowledged the dead man was Kim Jong Nam. It has suggested the victim died of a heart attack and accused Malaysia of working with South Korean and other "hostile forces" in blaming Pyongyang.

The trial will be closely watched by the Indonesian and Vietnamese governments, which have hired lawyers to defend the women.

Aisyah's core defense will be that she didn't know she had poison on her hand when she smeared Kim's face and was instead the victim of an elaborate trick, her lawyer Gooi said before the trial began. The 25-year-old was at a pub in Kuala Lumpur in early January when she was recruited by a North Korean man to star in what he said were video prank shows, Gooi said.

Over the course of several days, the North Korean, who went by the name James, had Aisyah go out to malls, hotels and airports and rub oil or pepper sauce on strangers, which he would film on his phone, the lawyer said.

Aisyah was paid $100-$200 for each prank and hoped the income would allow her to stop working as an escort, Gooi said.

In late January, Aisyah flew to Cambodia, where James introduced her to a man called Chang, who said he was the producer of video prank shows for the Chinese market, the lawyer said. Back in Malaysia, Chang asked Aisyah to do several more pranks at the Kuala Lumpur airport a few days before Kim was attacked. At the airport on the day of Kim's death, Chang pointed him out to Aisyah as the next target and put the poison on her hand, the lawyer said.

Police say neither Chang nor James were who they say they were. Chang was actually Hong Song Hac, one of four North Korean suspects who left Malaysia on the day of the killing, while James was Ri Ji U, one of another three North Koreans who hid inside their country's embassy in Kuala Lumpur to avoid questioning.

Those three were later allowed to fly home in exchange for nine Malaysians allowed to leave Pyongyang in a deal easing the countries' diplomatic tensions. Gooi said James was key to Aisyah's defense and that his absence could weaken her case.

Aisyah, who has a son, has wrote to her family and told them to pray for her "so that the case will be over soon and I can go back home."

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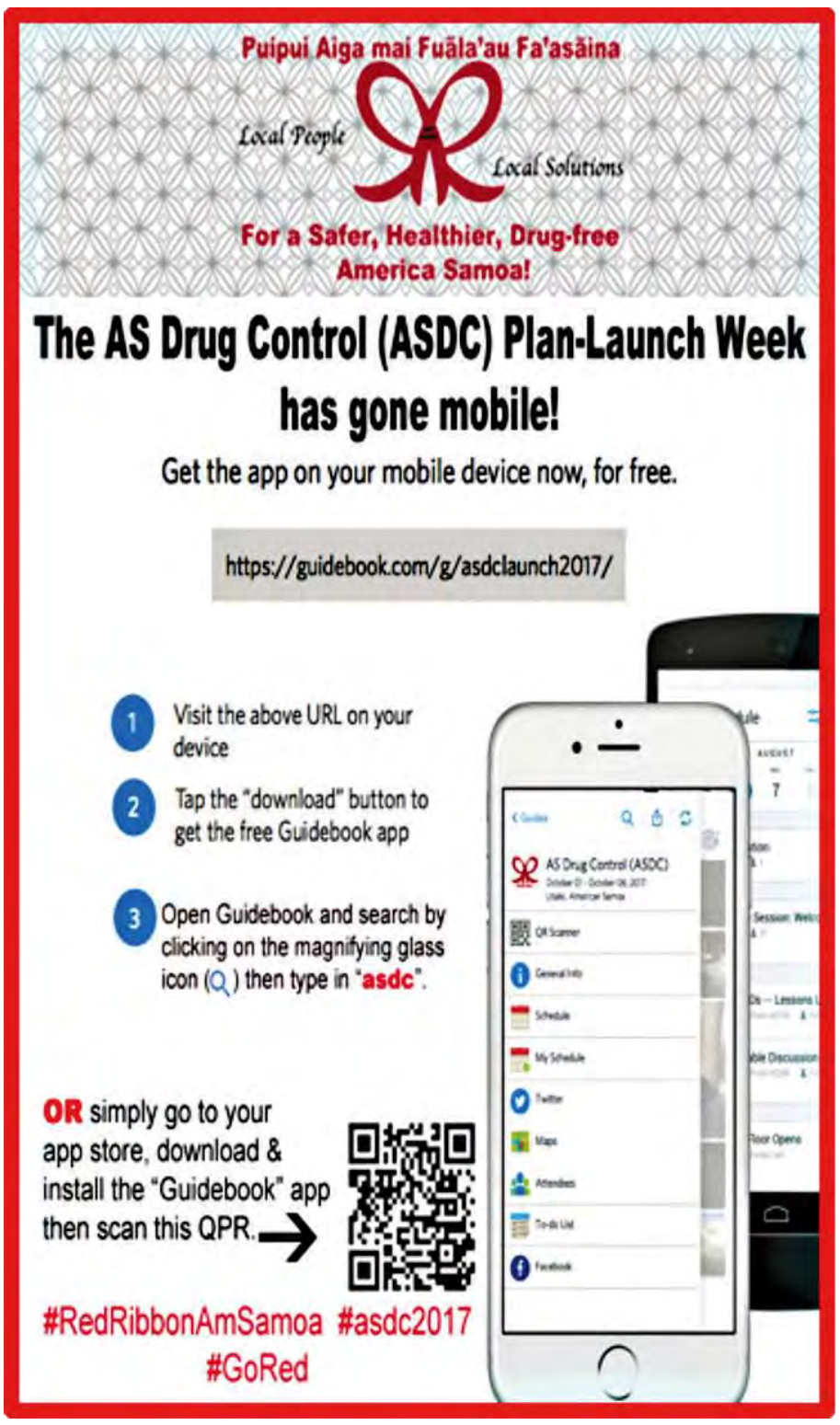

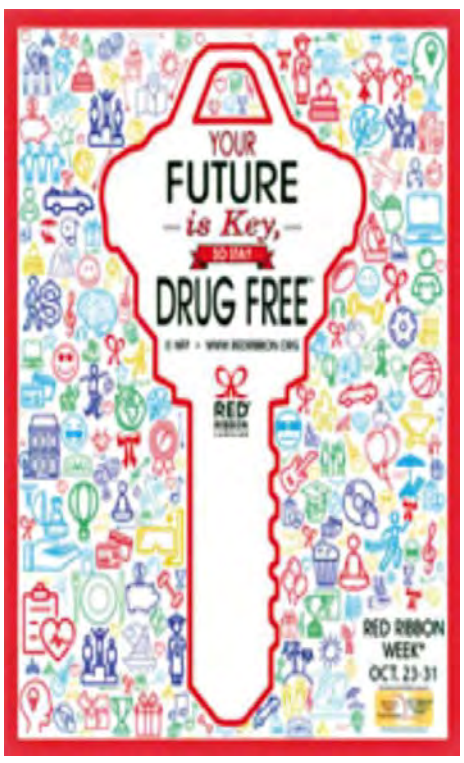

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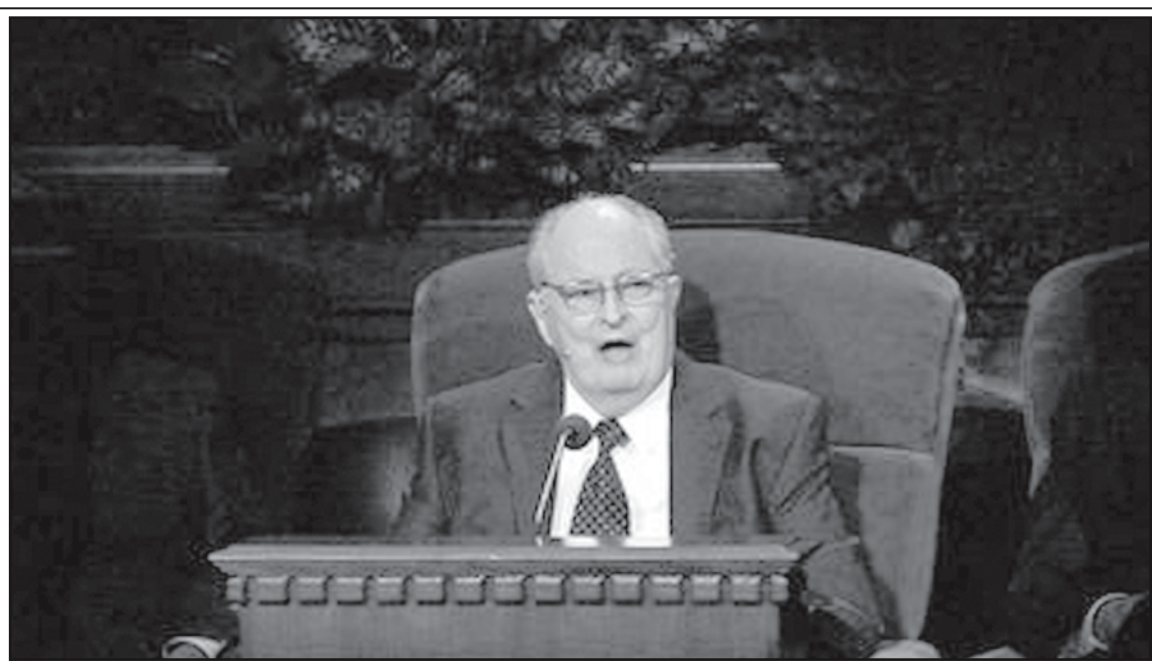

FILE- In this Oct. 2, 2011, file photo, Mormon Elder Robert D. Hales speaks at the 181st Semi-annual General Conference in Salt Lake City. Senior Mormon leader Robert D. Hales has died at the age of 85. Church spokesman Eric Hawkins said in a statement that Hales died Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, in a Salt Lake City hospital surrounded by his wife and family.

(Scott Sommerdorf/The Salt Lake Tribune via AP, File)

Mormon leader Robert D. Hales dies; served on top panel

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Top-ranking Mormon leader Robert D. Hales, who left a successful career as a businessman to help guide the church, has died from causes related to his age. He was 85.

Hales died peacefully 12:15 p.m. Sunday in a Salt Lake City hospital surrounded by his wife and family, church spokesman Eric Hawkins said.The New York City native was a fighter pilot in the Air Force and business executive before he was chosen in 1994 as a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, a high-level governing body of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Hales missed this weekend's church conference after he was hospitalized several days ago for treatment of pulmonary disease and other conditions. At the conference's final session Sunday, leader Henry B. Eyring announced his death to 20,000 people in attendance and millions watching live broadcasts around the world.

"We will miss him. His wisdom and goodness have blessed our lives for many years," said Eyring, one of two top counselors to the church president. "We express our love to his sweet wife and caregiver, Mary, and extend our heartfelt condolences to the family."

Hales is the fourth top Mormon leader to die in the last three years. Quorum members Boyd K. Packer, L. Tom Perry and Richard G. Scott died in 2015.

A replacement will be chosen for Hales at a later date. Funeral plans are pending.

Hales' combination of experience in private business, time spent in the military and deep roots in the religion made him emblematic of Mormon leaders of his era, said Matthew Bowman, associate professor of history at Henderson State University, He also embodied the Mormon message of the late 20th century: "the steady, slow cultivation of character through self-mastery and work," Bowman said. He often emphasized discipline and goal-setting in his conference speeches.

Hales was born in 1932 and grew up in Long Island in a Mormon family with a father who was an artist. Hales would recall a special moment he shared with his father when the two visited a wooded area in upstate New York where church founder Joseph Smith said he saw God and Jesus in what Latter-day Saints call the "first vision." Throughout his life, Hales kept a special painting of the sacred grove in his various offices that his father made for him after that trip.

As a high school baseball pitcher, he dreamed of playing in Major League Baseball. He never realized that dream, but he did get to throw out a first pitch at a Los Angeles Dodgers game in 2007 as part of Mormon Night at Dodgers Stadium.

Hales earned a business degree from the University of Utah and a master's in business administration from Harvard University. He was a fighter pilot in the U.S. Air Force, where picked up a phrase, "return with honor," that he used in speeches.

"This motto was a constant reminder to us of our determination to return to our home base with honor only after having expended all of our efforts to successfully complete every aspect of our mission," Hales said in a 1990 church conference speech. "This same motto, 'Return with Honor,' can be applied to each of us in our eternal plan of progression. Having lived with our Heavenly Father and having come to earth life, we must have determination to return with honor to our heavenly home." He had a fairly quiet presence during his 23 years on the quorum, often overshadowed by more charismatic brethren such as Jeffrey R. Holland, who was named to the governing body the same year. Hales was known for being an ambitious man with infectious smile and big heart, said Richard Bushman, a Mormon historian and emeritus professor at Columbia University. At this weekend's church conference, Quorum member Neil L. Andersen shared a statement Hales asked to have read at the event that addressed the value of faith.

Hales said: "When we choose to have faith we are prepared to stand in the presence of God. After the Savior's crucifixion he appeared only to those who had been faithful in the testimony of him while they lived in mortality. Those who rejected the testimony of the prophets could not behold the Savior's presence nor look up on his face. Our faith prepares us to be in the presence of God." In a speech at a church conference in 1999, Hales spoke about one of the most important tenets of the religion: strong families. Hales was married and had two sons.

"We must never, out of anger, lock the door of our home or our heart to our children," he said. "Like the prodigal son, our children need to know that when they come to themselves they can turn to us for love and counsel."

Hales death leaves five other men among the religion's top 15 leaders who are older than 84. Church President Thomas S. Monson is 90, and is no longer coming to meetings at church offices regularly because of limitations related to his age. Monson missed this weekend's church conference. Church presidents and quorum members serve until they die. Hales' death triggered grief and reactions across Utah and in other Western states with large Mormon populations.

Boyd Matheson, president of the Utah conservative think tank the Sutherland Institute, said he saluted Hales decision to walk away from a successful business career to become a model leader for Mormons. "His soft replies to harsh voices, his gentle invitations to improve and his steely determination to fulfill his duty stand as a witness to the greatness of the man and leave a pattern for leaders and followers to emulate for generations to come," Matheson said.

FILE - In this combination of March 1, 2017, file photos, Indonesian suspect Siti Aisyah, left, and Vietnamese suspect Doan Thi Huong, both suspects in the killing of Kim Jong Nam, North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's estranged half brother, are escorted out of court by police officers in Sepang, Malaysia. The trial of two women accused of poisoning the estranged half brother of North Korea's ruler is scheduled to begin Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, in Malaysia's High Court, nearly eight months after the brazen airport assassination. **(AP Photo/Daniel Chan, File)**

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The 29-year-old Vietnamese suspect Huong was caught on airport security surveillance camera wearing a white sweatshirt emblazoned with the big black letters "LOL" — the acronym for laughing out loud. Little is known about her. Raised in a rice farm in northern Vietnam, her family said they had hardly heard from her since she left home a decade ago.

She made postings on a Facebook page under the name Ruby Ruby, according to her niece, Dinh Thi Quyen.

Photos on the page show Huong wearing a white shirt that says "LOL," like the one seen during the attack. It shows her posing for selfies in January in Cambodia and in Kuala Lumpur a few days before the attack.

Her last post was on the morning of Feb. 11, two days before the attack, from an area near the airport.

Mexico quake toll 361; 8 still missing in collapsed building

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The death toll from Mexico's magnitude 7.1 earthquake rose to 361 on Sunday after another casualty was confirmed in the capital, where a search continued at a collapsed seven-story office building in a central neighborhood.

National Civil Defense chief Luis Felipe Puente reported on Twitter that the dead include 220 people killed in Mexico City by the Sept. 19 quake. The rest were in Morelos, Puebla and three other states.

The toll has continued to climb gradually nearly two weeks after the earthquake as bodies keep being pulled from the rubble — though nearly all the collapse sites have been cleared by now in Mexico City.

Mayor Miguel Angel Mancera said eight people were still believed to be missing inside the wreckage of the office building, one of 38 structures that toppled in the capital.

Rescuers "continue to work intensely" at the site, Mancera said in a Sunday briefing on rescue and recovery efforts.

He also confirmed the latest figure of 220 dead in his city and said all but one had been identified. Female victims outnumbered male victims 136 to 84, and 29 of the dead were children. Mancera said 25 people remained hospitalized, including four whose condition was given as "red" and 21 listed as "yellow." Thousands of civilians formed volunteer brigades to clear rubble and offer other help at the collapse sites, and many more have donated money, medicines and supplies at collection centers. Mancera said officials were in the process of compiling a database of those volunteers to create a kind of "emergency corps in Mexico City where we know who to call, who to activate, who to contact" in a future crisis. He said it would still be strictly on a volunteer basis.

"The response of solidarity that Mexico City has had from civil society should not be cast aside," the mayor said.

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Reports To	**Lineman Lead**	*Job Grade/Status*	**D/6/A - D/7/A; Non-Exempt**

Major Duties & Responsibilities

The incumbent will construct, operate and maintain ASPA's transmission / distribution lines and equipment in accordance with code and industry standards. Ensure REA Standards are met and ASPA's PM programs are accomplished. Incumbent must learn and apply information from technical manuals in the completion of duties and must be able to complete reports and other paperwork as well as mathematical calculations.

Minimum Requirements

Education	Technical certification or Associate's degree in Electrical Field or related field. Computer skills a plus.
Experience	Must complete three to four years of apprenticeship training, first-aid and other lifesaving training, heavy equipment, and report writing. Must have at least two years of lineman helper.
Knowledge, Skills & Abilities	Ability to climb 30 feet poles to install service or secondary lines. Ability to climb 40 to 45 feet poles to install primary, single phase and 3-phase transformers. Must be able to pull, install and splice 0.48KV to 34.5 KV cables for underground services. Must be able to dig 4 to 7 foot holes to erect power poles. Skills to provide on-the-job training for lineman apprentices and trainees. Must be knowledgeable to install residential and commercial meters, inspect and recommend appropriate action to customers regarding ground rods, meter socket wiring and panels meter location, etc. Must be knowledgeable to assist/recommend appropriate action to Inspectors regarding pole transformers, insulators; ability to carry out PM work order system, maintenance and repair work. Skills to operate bucket and boom trucks to erect poles; pull lines, hookup transformers and work on hot line on power poles. Must be knowledgeable to prepare written reports for work performed, job order statuses, emergencies, outages, new installations, etc. , gather and prepare tools, equipment and materials each morning to completely perform their daily assigned tasks. Ability to enforce safety practices and calibrate electric meters.
Physical Demands:	Work involves standing, walking, stooping, bending, climbing and kneeling; Medium to heavy lifting is required. Good physical fitness is a requirement. Candidate will be subject to working under bad/unclear weather conditions in order to complete tasks.

Qualified applicants: *Please submit a completed ASPA Employment Application with a copy of your resume to ASPA (address listed above) by the deadline listed above. Please attach copies of credentials and transcripts. Candidates selected for hire must pass examinations (when applicable), pre-employment clearances & test negative on employment drug test. ASPA reserves the right to waive education and experience requirements as necessary.*

No phone inquiries accepted.

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FALETUPE O ATINA'E O AMERIKA SAMOA
POROKALAMA FAATUPU (INIVESI) FAAPAAGA MO FALENOFO
POROKALAMA TAUSAGA 2016-2017
FA'AALIGA O TUPE UA IAI NEI

Ua faia lenei fa'asalalauga e tusa ai ma le Fuafuaga Auai o Tagatanuu ua faavaeina e le malo o Amerika Samoa mo le Polokalama Faatupu Faapaaga mo Falenofo (HOME) o le a faatupeina i se aofa'iga e $573,260 e fa'atupe ai aitalafu fa'aumiumi mo le fausia o falefou i Amerika Samoa. O e agava'a ona talosaga mo nei nogatupe o nesionale o Amerika, sitiseni o Amerika, ma e ua iai pepa nofo mau i Amerika Samoa.

Figure 1: Home in a floor zone area

Figure 2: Standard Home

Mo i latou e agava'a i lenei nonogatupe mo le fausiaina o falefou i lalo ole porokalama o falenofo, e tatau ona taua'aoina mai pepa o fanua (deed/lease agreement) ua uma ona fa'amauina pe resitara i le Ofisa o Resitara a le malo.

E taua tele lou auai i semina o le a fa'atautaia e le Faletupe o Atina'e fa'apea le Ofisa o Fefa'atauaiga ma Alaga Manuia. O lou le auai mai, o le a le maua ai sou avanoa mo le loto ua fuafuaina mo lenei tausaga. O lea ia, fa'amolemole fa'autagia mai lenei fa'asalalauga mo aso ma nofoaga o le a fa'atautaia ai semina mo le mamalu o le atunu'u e fia auai:

SE'I FA'ATULAGAINA MO I LATOU I TUTUILA

ASO O LE SEMINA	TAIMI	ITUMALO	NOFOAGA
Wednesday, October 11, 2017	9:00 am	Sisifo	Hall – Ekalesia Katoliko Iliili
Thursday, October 12, 2017	9:00 am	Fagaloa / Sasa'e	Fale o tupulaga i Pago Pago

ASO E TUFATUFAINA AI PEPA PASI	TAIMI	NOFOAGA
October 16, 2017 – October 27, 2017	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Ofisa DBAS i Pago Pago

ASO E TUFATUFAINA AI PEPA LOTO/SE'I	TAIMI	NOFOAGA
October 30, 2017 – November 3, 2017	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Ofisa DBAS i Pago Pago

ASO O LE LOTO/SE'I MO I LATOU I TUTUILA	TAIMI	NOFOAGA
Wednesday, November 15, 2017	9:00 am	Fale Laumei i Utulei

SE'I FA'ATULAGAINA MO I LATOU I MANU'A

ASO O LE SEMINA	TAIMI	ITUMALO	NOFOAGA
Toe Fa'alauiloa atu	Toe Fa'alauiloa atu	Fitiuta	Toe Fa'alauiloa atu
		Tau/Faleasao	Toe Fa'alauiloa atu
Toe Fa'alauiloa atu	Toe Fa'alauiloa atu	Ofu	Toe Fa'alauiloa atu
		Olosega	Toe Fa'alauiloa atu

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
HUD-HOME PROGRAM YEAR 2016-2017

In accordance with the American Samoa Government **Citizen Participation Plan** for Community Planning and Development Programs, an estimated amount of **$573,260 in HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds** will be available at the Development Bank of American Samoa to provide long-term mortgage financing for the construction of new homes across the Territory.

Figure 1: Home in a floor zone area

Figure 2: Standard Home

Those who are **eligible to apply** include **U.S. Citizens, U.S. Nationals and American Samoa Permanent Residents**. To qualify for an affordable, home loan, must provide a warranty deed or land lease agreement completely registered and certified by the Territorial Registrar's Office during the workshop with a valid form of identification.

Attendance is mandatory for all who wish to apply as it is important that all potential applicants are well aware and informed about HOME. Therefore, DBAS and DOC will conduct community workshops for all local residents throughout the Territory on the following dates and locations:

HOME LOTTERY SCHEDULE FOR TUTUILA RESIDENTS ONLY

WORKSHOP / LOTTERY DATES	TIME	DISTRICT	PLACE
Wednesday, October 11, 2017	9:00 am	Western	Iliili Catholic Hall
Thursday, October 12, 2017	9:00 am	Central & Eastern	DYWA Youth Center-Pago Pago

ISSUING PASSES DATES	TIME	PLACE
October 16, 2017 – October 27, 2017	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	DBAS Office in Pago Pago

ISSUING LOTTERY TICKETS DATES	TIME	PLACE
October 30, 2017 – November 3, 2017	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	DBAS Office in Pago Pago

LOTTERY DATE FOR TUTUILA RESIDENTS	TIME	PLACE
Wednesday, November 15, 2017	9:00 am	Lee Auditorium – Main Building

HOME LOTTERY SCHEDULE FOR MANU'A RESIDENTS ONLY

WORKSHOP/LOTTERY DATES	TIME	DISTRICT	PLACE
TBA	TBA	Fitiuta	TBA
		Tau/Faleasao	TBA
TBA	TBA	Ofu	TBA
		Olosega	TBA

The U.S. Team celebrates with the winner's trophy after the final round of the Presidents Cup golf tournament at Liberty National Golf Club in Jersey City, N.J., Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017.

(AP Photo/Susan Walsh)

OJ Simpson freed; parole official says he'll live in Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Officials at a remote Nevada prison where O.J. Simpson was set free early Sunday after nine years for armed robbery arranged the former football and Hollywood star's dead-of-night departure to avoid public scrutiny.

It worked. Simpson signed release paperwork just before midnight and disappeared into the darkness minutes into the first day he was eligible for release. Through efforts by prison officials to keep the time and place secret, there were no journalists outside the prison gates to capture the moment.

Though publicity-prone in the past, Simpson apparently took the advice of people in his inner circle that he avoid the spotlight. He was neither heard from nor seen publicly, except when a television news crew found him in a car at a gas station on the way to Las Vegas and he declined to be interviewed. State Division of Parole and Probation Capt. Shawn Arruti told The Associated Press that the former football hero and celebrity criminal defendant plans to live at a home in the Las Vegas area for the foreseeable future. Arruti declined for what he said were security and privacy reasons to disclose the exact location of the house.

Simpson was released at 12:08 a.m. PDT from Lovelock Correctional Center in northern Nevada, state prisons spokeswoman Brooke Keast told AP. She said she didn't know the name of the driver who met him and took him to an undisclosed location.

Keast recorded and released a brief video on social media in which Simpson is told to "come on out" and he responds "OK" after walking through an open door and toward a parking lot bordered by desert scrub brush.

The prisons spokeswoman also took photographs showing Simpson — in blue jeans, denim jacket, eyeglasses, ball cap and white sneakers — signing documents about 10 minutes before midnight. He later left the prison with four or five boxes of possessions in the car. Keast said she had no information about where he was going.

Trump attends golf tournament, defends hurricane response.

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — President Donald Trump spent Sunday afternoon attending a high-profile golf tournament, signaling that he will not be cowed by critics of his response to Hurricane Maria.

Earlier Sunday, Trump had scoffed at "politically motivated ingrates" who had questioned his administration's commitment to rebuilding Puerto Rico after the pulverizing storm and assured Americans there had been "tremendous progress."

The remarks, in tweets and from the manicured green, demonstrated Trump's defiance in the face of charges that he has been distracted and his administration slow to respond to the U.S. territory's struggle to restore power and basic services in the two weeks after the storm. Neither those charges, nor his past criticism of his predecessor for golfing during a crisis, kept him from attending The Presidents Cup.

After staying Saturday at his own New Jersey golf club, Trump traveled Sunday to Jersey City, where he spent the afternoon in the hospitality suite perched above the Liberty National Golf Club's 14th hole. He was on hand to present the tournament's trophy to Team U.S.A., which he dedicated to the people of Puerto Rico, Texas and Florida still recovering from hurricane devastation.

"I want to just remember them and we're going to dedicate this trophy to all of those people that went through so much, that we love," he said, adding of Puerto Rico: "We have it under really great control." As Trump spoke, someone in the crowd accused him of not caring about Puerto Rico, using a vulgarism to make the point.

Returning to the White House, Trump told reporters Sunday evening: "We're doing really well on Puerto Rico. I'll be going there on Tuesday. Tremendous progress being made. We're getting the roads open, we're getting a lot of things done — really at a record clip. So we're very happy with that."

Trump spent years hammering his predecessor, Barack Obama, both for playing golf and leaving Washington too often. "President Obama should have gone to Louisiana days ago, instead of golfing," he tweeted in August of last year, after severe flooding in the state. "Too little, too late!"

In 2014, Obama was criticized for playing golf right after speaking to reporters about the execution of journalist James Foley by Islamic State militants. And President George W. Bush was faulted for not immediately returning to Washington from his Crawford, Texas, ranch after Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans.

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