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**New Year call for Samoa to** consult on media crime law Page 6

Folasaga Kovana Lolo Matalasi Moliga

**Team AS Girls Volleyball Team is** focused on winning a Championship **Sports** 

The Samoan culture is alive and well, as witnessed last week when local master tufuga Su'a Wilson Fitiao completed a pair of 'malu' (traditional Samoan tattoo for females) in Poloa village for Fogafogaolealataua Liua Ta'ase Pisamoa Taifane and Ashley Taumua Mata'afa. Malo lava le onosa'i.

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# **CANCER KNOWS NO BOUNDARI**

Holiday Angels Fundraiser them are diagnosed with 'meta- nity, the Cancer Coalition aims - Neil's ACE Home Center static' disease, or cancer that donated \$26,333.72 to the has spread beyond the original American Samoa Community Cancer Coalition, for cancer treat." patients and their families. raiser was highly successful as the \$26K plus check to ASCCC, they had only sought \$10K they then match the amount from customers as they donated resentatives, but also two recipito the company's annual Angels ents of the stipends. program.

"C" has no boundaries, said the American Samoa Commessage to our community is please go to the hospital and ask wrong. And act on the doctor's recommendations right away."

The Cancer Coalition's his mother, Julie. Tautai Lavea'i program is here stipend recipient is a young 53 Board of Directors representing

tumor and is then harder to

According to ACE, the fund- Home Center presentation of yesterday, which included not only the coalition and ACE rep-

They are Darlene Tauaese We are seeing more cancers (short blonde hair, 4th from the in young people — the Big right), who is a breast cancer patient going back to Seattle important? for follow up soon; and Juliette munity Cancer Coalition. "Our AhChing (far right), who is the sister of 17-year-old Peter don't wait, don't ignore – if you Ah Ching of Vaitogi, who was know something is not right recently diagnosed with Osteosarcoma. Peter is putting up a for screening to find out what is brave fight at the Kapi'olani Womens & Childrens hospital in Honolulu, with the support of

The American Samoa Cominformation, a stipend, and help purpose is to 'Help the People point during their lifetimes. to access care, the ASCCC of American Samoa Fight noted. "The average age of our Cancer'. Led by an energetic

In their 9th year of ACE's years. And more than half of various sectors in our commuto achieve its mission by implementing the following strategic actions:

- 1 Conducting community Pictured is the Neil's ACE based research into health, and specifically cancer, issues
  - 2 Advocating for more effective health policies and legislation
  - 3 Providing cancer patient navigation
  - 4 Fundraising for and coordinating cancer patient stipends Why is our mission so

The National Cancer Institute estimates that 1,688,780 new cases of cancer will be

diagnosed in 2017. This equates to 442.7 people out of every 100,000 men and women. Of these, 601,000 will die from cancer.

Approximately 42.05% or one in two men, and 37.58% or one in three women will be to support cancer patients with munity Cancer Coalition's sole diagnosed with cancer at some

> Cancer is the second leading use of death in American

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# **ROUTING NUMBER** ISSUED FOR TBAS, **CLEARING THE** WAY FOR BoH TO LEAVE

Utulei, AS — January 5, 2017 — The Territorial Bank of American Samoa is pleased to announce that the American Bankers Association has issued a Routing Transit Number to the bank.

Accordingly, the bank is in the process of finalizing relationships with correspondent financial institutions. Once these relationships are in place, TBAS will be able to offer a full suite of products and services to the people of American Samoa. It is anticipated TBAS will have these accounts established within 30 days.

TBAS wishes to thank those who were instrumental in this milestone. It was truly a team effort of many people. We look forward to continuing to serve the people of American Samoa.

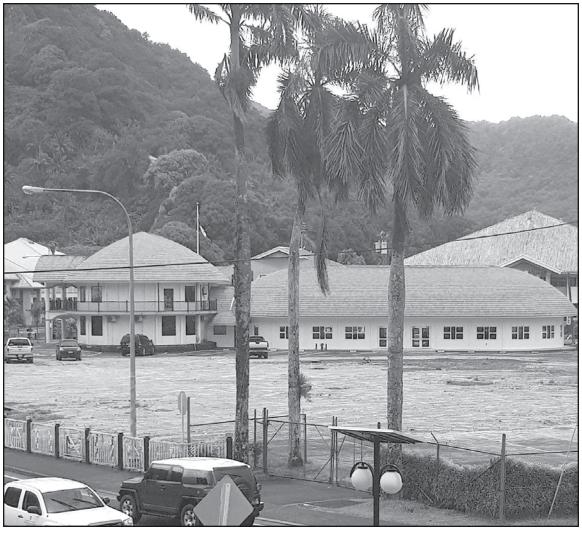
(Editor's note: The press release is signed by Philip H. Ware, the bank's president.)

In his State of the Territory address yesterday morning during the opening of the third session of the 35th Legislature, Governor Lolo Matalasi Moliga told lawmakers and those in attendance that he is "thrilled and overjoyed that through our collective efforts to expand the services of the Territorial Bank of American Samoa as intended, the routing number and the Federal Reserve Account is moving forward with speed since the receipt of the amendment to our Banking Legislation which you promptly expedited during the

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Months after demolition, the space where the Fono building was once located remains empty. [photo: BC]

# JUST ASKING

by John Wasko Special to Samoa News

islators take their seats in their when it comes to the temporary quarters at the Fale Laumei, the Gov. H. Rex Lee Auditorium?

will be built to become the the Territory, including: new and permanent home government.

the look of the old Rainmaker tive body of the Territory. Hotel site. Grass and weeds are sprouting. It can't be too long and engineering". before rugby balls make their presence.

that funding is merely a matter

of 'not enough' does not stand up — as the wording in the When is the new Fono "2015 A Series" American Building going to be built, Samoa Economic Development Samoa News asks, as the leg- Authority bond clearly states,

#### **PLAN OF FINANCING THE 2015 PROJECTS**

A portion of the proceeds The State of the Territory's from the Series 2015 Bonds will Address was delivered at the be used to finance all or a porauditorium yesterday — which tion of the costs of acquisition have made many wonder when, and construction of a variety of if ever, the new fono building capital improvement projects in

New Fono Building Engifor the Legislative Branch of neering and Design. Approximately \$1.5 million will be Currently the empty lot used to fund the design and where the old fono building engineering of a new building once stood is starting to take on to house the Fono, the legisla-

You read that right. "Design

Zero funds were included for the actual construction costs of Unfortunately the answer the building. Moreover, engineering considerations of the stability of the reclaimed land and the fact that the new fono is located on a flood plain have raised the engineering and design costs above the appropriated \$1.5 million.

Until the ASG can fund the \$5 or \$8 million dollars necessary to complete construction, legislators will have to settle in to their current quarters.

The legislators did sign off on the bond enabling legislation. Surely they knew that no construction costs were included in the bond — if they read it. Perhaps this session of the legislature will enlighten the public whether the ASG has promised budgeted funds to build the new fono.

# **Aussie actor** Craig McLachlan denies sexual misconduct claims

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — Australian actor Craig McLachlan has left a stage show and production of a television series he was to star in has been suspended after three actresses accused him of indecent assault, sexual harassment and bullying four years ago.

The 52-year-old actor has denied the allegations that were first reported in the media on Monday.

The complainants were cast members of a 2014 production of the "The Rocky Horror Show," in which McLachlan starred.

McLachlan has denied all allegations detailed in the media, including touching women's genitals, groping their breasts and exposing his penis.

McLachlan recently reprised his "Rocky Horror" role, but had left the production because of the allegations.



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\*Note: If you need this Schedule, e-mail <hyunhwilee@gmail.com>. and I will send it to you every week!"

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Two stipend recipients, who were present during the Neil's ACE Home Center presentation of the results of their Holiday Angels Fundraiser — which netted \$26,333.72.

They are Darlene Tauaese (left), a breast cancer patient who is going back to Seattle for follow up soon; and Juliette AhChing, the sister of 17-year-old Peter Ah Ching of Vaitogi who was recently diagnosed with osteosarcoma. Peter is putting up a brave fight at the Kapi'olani Womens & Childrens hospital in Honolulu, with the support of his mother Julie.

The Cancer Coalition's Tautai Lavea'i program is here to support cancer patients with information, a stipend, and help to access care.

## Cancer...

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# Mueller conveys interest in questioning Trump

and the Trump campaign, a ongoing investigation. person familiar with the matter said Monday.

United States is 66 In Amer-

worked out, including the scope cover.

WASHINGTON (AP) — of questions that the presi-Special counsel Robert Muel- dent would agree to answer if ler's team of investigators has an interview were to actually expressed interest in speaking take place, according to the with President Donald Trump person. The person spoke to as part of a probe into potential The Associated Press on condicoordination between Russia tion of anonymity to discuss the

When or even if an interview would occur was not immedi-The prospect of an interview ately clear, nor were the terms with the president has come up for the interview or whether in recent discussions between Trump's lawyers would seek to Mueller's team and Trump law- narrow the range of questions yers, but no details have been or topics that prosecutors would



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Ae o se fa'aaliga fa'avave ina ia pupula ma malamalama e tusa ai i le fa'asalalauga o lo'o fuafua mo le Aiga Sa Asoau mo se talanoaga i Falesao, Manu'a i le aso 13 o lanuari, 2018.

Ua iai le manatu o le aiga, e tu'u le talanoaga i le Aso To'ona'i muamua o Me (Me 5, 2018) i Faleasao, Manu'a, i le alofa o le Atua pe a tatou

#### Faia ma le ava tele e tatau ai, Sainia;

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the Cancer Coalition will be

providing to our community

as a service in the hopes that

to make informed decisions

guided by fact rather than 'gut'

or hearsay. All statistics herein

are provided by the National

Cancer Institute and American

on cancer screening and other

ways of preventing cancer, as

well as information on what to

Over the next 12 months

Cancer Society (2017).

do when diagnosed.

# **HALECK MOTORS** WILL BE CLOSED

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ON FRIDAY 01/12/2018 & **SATURDAY 01/13/2018** 

**NORMAL BUSINESS RESUME** TUESDAY 01/16/2018



**HALECK MOTORS** 



Tautai Toko Tafaeono with classmates of 1981 in reunion mode in Auckland, New Zealand this week.

[courtesy photo]

# 2 Koreas say they seek breakthrough at rare border talks

Senior officials from the rival Koreas said Tuesday that they would try to achieve a breakthrough in their long-strained ties as they sat for rare talks at the border to discuss how Winter Olympics in the South and other issues.

Korea's leader Kim Jong Un recently made an abrupt push for improved ties with South Korea after a year of elevated tensions with the outside world over his expanding nuclear and missile programs. Critics say Kim may be trying to divide Seoul and Washington in a bid

earnest, sincere manner to give overall ties. a New Year's first gift — precious results (of the talks) to to resume temporary reunions the Korean nation," chief North of families separated by the Korean delegate Ri Son Gwon 1950-53 war and work out subsaid at the start of the nego- stantial measures to reduce anitiations, according to media mosities at the border. North footage from the venue. Ri wore Korea is expected to demand a lapel pin with the images of rewards in turn, like Seoul Kim's father and grandfather, halting propaganda broadcasts late North Korean rulers Kim and scaling back or halting Jong Il and Kim Il Sung.

Ri's South Korean counterpart, Unification Minister Cho Myoung-gyon, said he also hopes they would come up with a "good gift" that would satisfy Korean people's wishes for better ties. "There is a saying 'well begun is half done.' I'd like us to have will and patience to resolve (issues) at the negotiation," Cho said. The talks were being held at the village of Panmunjom, the only place on the Korean soldier late last year Brian Hook.

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) defected to the South amid a hail of bullets fired by his comrades. He was hit five times but survived.Despite the seeming amicable start of the talks, the prospect for the negotiations was unclear. The two Koreas to cooperate in next month's have a long history of ending key talks without any agreement and failing to follow through The Koreas' first talks in two with rapprochement accords. years were arranged after North South Korean officials said they would focus first on Olympic cooperation in Tuesday's talks before dealing with tougher political and military issues. The government of South Korea's liberal President Moon Jae-in wants North Korea to take part in the Feb. 9-25 Games as a way to improve relations.It's to weaken international pres- likely the two Koreas agree on sure and sanctions on the North. the North's Olympic participa-"I think we should be tion, but they remain sharply at engaged in these talks with an odds over how to improve their

> Moon's government wants military drills with the U.S., observers say.

Suspension of the military drills would be unacceptable for Seoul because that would seriously undermine the alliance with its chief ally the United States, which wants to put more pressures on Pyongyang. The North views the drills as a rehearsal for a northward invasion."As President Moon has said, the improvement of relations between North and tense border where North and South Korea cannot advance South Korean soldiers are feet separately from resolving North away from each other. A North Korea's nuclear program,"

Compiled by Samoa News Staff

#### **AMATA WELCOMES OVER \$2M HEALTH CARE GRANT FOR AMERICAN SAMOA**

Washington, D.C. - Friday, January 5, 2018 Congresswoman Aumua Amata welcomed a \$2.321.000 federal grant for the American Samoa Department of Health, for the Pacific Basin Health Center Cluster program.

"I appreciate this funding for American Samoa," said Aumua Amata. "Access to quality health services can be a major challenge in American Samoa, and federal support like this is in Form 2. part of the constant process of ensuring that care is available."

Specifically, this U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) grant is through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and will be used to cover administrative costs for the American Samoa Department Determination confined to a wheelchair for life. of Health.

HRSA is the primary federal agency tasked with improving health care for geographically isolated populations, or otherwise economically or medically vulnerable groups.

"Thank you to the Health Resources and Services Administration for their role in supporting health care in American Samoa," continued Congresswoman Amata. "Congratulations to Director Motusa Tuileama Nua and the Health Department, as well as Project Director Manhart Alo and his team for their hard work in obtaining this important funding for American Samoa."

(Source: Congresswoman Amata's Office -Washington D.C.)

#### TAUTAI TOFAEONO; ONE OF A KIND

Tautai Toko Tofaeono.

As one of the unsung dual rugby international stars for the Manu Samoa and Toa Samoa, Toko in his playing days was superior and among the immortal names or the originals that toured Europe in 1988 which saw the two national sides evolve and rebranded to what it is today, the young people. Manu Samoa and Toa Samoa.

And while his international rugby union and league careers ended abruptly due to a plane crash — while working as co-pilot for Polynesian Airlines inter-island services between the two Samoas in 1996 — Toko left behind an untarnished sports legacy almost impossible to best and a huge pair of shoes to fill.

rugby principles from the wing is something to marvel about — opting to take on the offense by surprise with his head-on confrontation instead

of flying to the corners. It earned him the respect of selectors to become a dual rugby international for Samoa in both rugby professional codes.

Today Toko's superior, calculative and cunning tactics remains revered with his individual ingenuity to create opportunities to put Samoa on the scoreboard. And it was fate as the writing was on the wall during his school years at Leififi Intermediate School where Toko was championship material as the 8th grade rugby champs in Form 1 and again as the 9th Grade Boys Champ

At Avele College, he helped his college win gold medals in a regional college tournament in Taiwan and repeated the feat in a similar tournament staged in New Zealand.

But it all changed in 1996 after the plane crash where he found himself as one of the People of

Grounded, but still flying high, Tautai's will power intensified after two years of self-pity almost forced him to go over the edge. But the love of his life, his two daughters Chanel and Chiana, gave him strength, coupled with divine intervention provided reassurance that there is a reason for everything to happen — good or bad.

"That was the darkest period in life," reminisced Toko. "I hated living. Worse of all, I hated everything but my the future of my two girls was and remains paramount."

A couple of years later, he graduated with a Bachelor of Aviation. He also holds a Bachelor and Master in Aviation from Massey University, Albany.

Today Toko is a flight planner for Air New He is one of a kind because there is only one Zealand in Auckland and remains active paying little or no attention as he continues life as if nothing has changed by concentrating on his career to earn a decent living for his two daughters Chanel and Chiana's bright future.

> His inspiring story of determination and steel will power is set to inspire a new generation of

> "At the end of the day, I hope sharing my life story will help inspire not just my classmates but everyone that never gave up despite the challenges," he said.

And he has earned the respect and admiration of the Classmates of 1981 as one of their own whose success story of trials and tribulations reaffirms the Classmates platform to lead Toko's unorthodox style of attack in the two by example and set a pathway for their children to follow to the letter.

(Source: Lave Tuiletufuga, writer)



People watch a TV screen showing South Korean Unification Minister Cho Myoung-gyon, right, shakes hands with the head of North Korean delegation Ri Son Gwon during a meeting, at Seoul Railway Station in Seoul, South Korea, Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2018. Senior officials from North and South Korea began the rivals' first formal talks in about two years Tuesday to discuss how to cooperate in next month's Winter Olympics in the South and how to improve their long-strained ties. The letters on the screen read: "Let's start the meeting." (AP Photo/Ahn Young-joon)

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# 'Matai' star talks about family and his relationship to Samoa

two things that matter the most for popular Samoan actor, is a probation officer who works Albert Tupuola told The Samoa in the Juvenile Prisons in New Observer over the weekend.

Tupuola is the main char- dancer. acter of the 'Matai' movie

The movie depicts the reality him. of a young paramount chief who carries the good name of for our Samoan people pushes his family.

she is forced by her father, the said. Reverend, to marry a layman preacher.

is the movie, is the main that it caters to our own people, character.

"The audience of the Matai Tupuola.

Australian born, but raised public." all his life in Samoa, Tupuola attended Malifa Primary and St Joseph's College. In 2005 he received a rugby scholarship for St Paul's College and that's

# 'American Idol' says it wants to get back to making stars

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — "American Idol" wants to get back in the business of making

The longtime talent show, which is being revived by ABC starting on March 11, faded in ratings and cultural significance over its last seasons on Fox before ending in 2016.

The memorable talents boosted by the show — Kelly Clarkson, Carrie Underwood, Adam Lambert and the like were all a part of the show's heyday a decade earlier.

Rvan Seacrest is back as host of "American Idol," but it will have three new judges in Luke Bryan, Katy Perry and Lionel Richie. They said on Monday they see themselves as mentors and instructors.

Challenged at a news conference to name the three final winners of "American Idol," none of the cast members or producers attempted it. Bryan acknowledged that was a weakness of the show's final years, and judges wanted to mold some memorable talent.

"We are wasting our time if we don't find another star," Perry said.

Richie said he's been asked often to do instructional videos on making it in the music business and he always resisted, wondering how many people would be interested. But he realized he would be able to offer that advice as a judge on "American Idol."

Family and culture are the when things changed for him.

Aside from acting, Tupuola Zealand and is also a full time

Tupuola said everywhere he went, Samoans would approach

"The support I see firsthand me to do better not only in He is in love with Oketi, yet acting, but also dancing," he

"I know the movie (Matai) is not Hollywood or anything, but Tupuola, known as Saifuiane I am very thankful for the fact which is enough for me.'

"You know that person is movie is for all ages," said a Samoan when they call out my Acting name Safuiage in

(Source: Samoa Observer)



POPULAR SAMOAN ACTOR: Albert and his wife Rebecca Tupuola at Sheraton Samoa Aggie Grey's 24-7 Café during an interview with the Samoa Observer. [Photo: Misiona Simo]

# etai Tele Lava

Samoa Musika Foundation, Inc expresses their heartfelt thanks to the following for their love and their tremendous support that made our New Year's Eve Musical Extravaganza a great success! Special thanks to the Tradewind's Hotel for donating the ver for our event.

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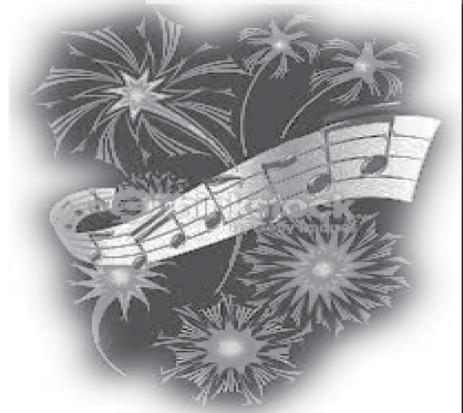
Sam Wells

#### Sound Man

Steve Salavea

## <u>Hostess</u>

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# **New Year call for Samoa to** consult on media crime law

PRESS RELEASE — New consultation in Samoa at the from half a century ago." start of the new year, says PFF, the Pacific Freedom Forum.

"Lack of consultation before the bill was pushed through parliament is good reason to consult more widely now," says PFF Chair Monica Miller.

a wide range of representatives from across society, says Miller, speaking from American Samoa.

Old and new media should be represented at consultations, including bloggers and other social media users such as on Facebook, as well as newspaper, radio, television audiences, and all voices supporting freedom of expression.

users need to sit at the same table to work out how the new laws fit with existing institutions, including the courts and the Samoa Media Council."

Concerns about anonymous bloggers should not override the right of citizens to speak freely, without fear of being jailed, says Miller.

#### **SAMOAN LIBEL CRITICS**

laws Criminal speech threaten social media users and journalists with arrest, police charges, prosecution, fines, legal fees and, potentially, jail.

But she also says media need Consultations should include to engage with other institutions on agreed ways to avoid PFF other freedoms, such as with the Attorney General's office and the Samoa Law Commission.

> Speaking from Papua New Guinea, PFF co-Chair Alexander Rheeney says Pacific so consultations need to set our people already have the right alleged libel.

Returning libel to criminal 'Government and all media courts means Samoa is stepping back from its regional leadership role in good governance, says Rheeney.

> governments using millions in laws. tax dollars to fund civil action against news media," he says.

"Samoa media users, new and old, now risk jail time and

"Media are right to criticize criminal fines despite constitucriminal libel laws need urgent the return to a colonial-era law, tional guarantees for freedom of speech."

> Outside of the constitution, Samoa is also a member of the United Nations, where article 19 of the 1946 Universal Declaration of Human Rights also guarantees freedom of expression, and access to information.

Speaking from Palau, fellow co-Chair Bernadette potential threats to media and Carreon says government would have been better off introducing freedom of information laws, not turning journalism into a crime again.

"We're stuck with it now, clear policy for criminal libel to seek civil court action on action, especially from within government," she says.

PFF is calling for complainants to be encouraged to explore existing procedures, such as writing an official complaint to media outlets, or to the Samoa "We have already seen Media Council, before seeking examples around the region of arrests under criminal media

(Source: Pacific Freedom

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# **Kentucky's Republican** House speaker resigns leadership post

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) post, declaring he did not want the secret sexual harassment settlement he signed to be a distraction from the chamber's legislative work.But moments into his announcement Monday, he said the state's Republican govhim from the "deepest pits of are and the position they hold."

the chamber's back row, where to be doing. I'm filing bills." he plans to be a vocal member of House remove him from office.

"Of course (it will be a disbe?" asked Republican Rep. have plenty of work to do. They sent him a letter.

must fill a nearly billion-dollar Kentucky's Republican House budget hole that could require speaker resigned his leadership massive spending cuts since the conservative body is averse to tax increases. They have to find a solution for a public pension system that is one of the worst funded retirement plans in the country. And they have to repair a broken leadership structure ernor was spreading lies about that has left the House divided.

"I will not deny that the daz-Hell" and vowed to expose zlement of scandals and rumors those he says orchestrated his and drama pulls focus from our demise, "regardless of who they primary tasks," GOP state Rep. Jill York said. "But as far as While Jeff Hoover will no knocking anyone off stride in longer lead the House of Repre- what they came down here to do sentatives, he still has a seat in ... I'm doing what I'm supposed

With his wife watching the Republican majority. Mean- from the balcony, Jeff Hoover while, eight of his Republican acknowledged to colleagues colleagues have filed formal that he sent inappropriate but disciplinary charges against consensual text messages to him and have asked a special a woman who once worked committee to recommend the for the House Republican Caucus. Those text messages, according to formal disciplinary traction.) How could it not charges filed against him in the House, included a request Phil Moffett, one of the eight for the woman to send photos GOP members who signed the of herself wearing a "black charges against Hoover. "It's lace g string." Hoover said his only logical to say once this behavior was not "unwelcome" issue is behind us completely, by the woman, but he agreed to it will not be a distraction pay her an undisclosed financial anymore."Kentucky lawmakers settlement after her attorney



# Rain unleashes risk of mudslides in fire-ravaged California

the risk of mudslides in fire- Steve Anderson said. ravaged communities, driving property owners to stack sand- the ground at this time, but bags in devastated northern if it gets very heavy, it could authorities to order evacua- Anderson said. tions for Southern California neighborhoods below hillsides more than 20,000 people were burned by the state's largest evacuated from neighborhoods wildfire in history.

flood watch for parts for Sonoma other recent blazes amid fears and Mendocino counties north of flash floods and debris flows. of San Francisco, warning that in the fires.

The blazes leveled entire neighborhoods, killing buildings.

"City crews are actively 2016. driving around looking for signs of any flooding, mudslides, be dry would turn into raging things of that nature. They are rivers of mud and debris and making sure water is flowing, large rocks and trees," Lewin making sure debris clogging said. "These can be quite damstorm drains or gutters is cleared up," said Santa Rosa Assistant they'll take out homes." Fire Marshal Paul Lowenthal, who encouraged residents near Carpinteria, about 220 students burned areas to have evacuation and 60 faculty members were plans in case they need to flee.

nificant amount of trees and instead of evacuating as they although a lot of the trees have did before, when the fire incinbeen cut down and removed, erated surrounding vegetation. there are still a lot of trees that could be a concern," he said.

in California last spring, but master Benjamin D. Williams Northern California had a dry start to winter and hardly any extremely dry conditions and on both ends of the state.

Now, the storm coming in and supplies. from the Gulf of Alaska could dump up to 4 inches (10 cen- of days," he said. "We certainly timeters) of rain on Northern have enough to satisfy everyone California areas still recovering for the remainder of this week."

SANTA ROSA, Calif. (AP) from fires before clearing up — Storms brought rain to Cali- by Tuesday evening, National fornia on Monday and increased Weather Service meteorologist

"Everything is soaking into wine country areas and leading trigger a flash flood warning,"

In Southern California, beneath hillsides laid bare by Forecasters issued a flash the state's largest wildfire and

Robert Lewin, director of the heavy rainfall could trigger Santa Barbara County Office of mudslides in areas devastated Emergency Management, urged by October wildfires. More than residents in parts of Summeran inch had fallen by Monday land, Carpinteria and Montenight in Santa Rosa, the city cito to leave by midday. Parts that suffered the biggest losses of Ojai in Ventura County were also under evacuation orders.

The hillside communities 44 were evacuated last month as people and destroying more the massive Thomas fire raged. than 8,900 homes and other Evacuations also include homes near other burn areas dating to

> "Creeks that normally would aging. They'll destroy roads,

In the foothills above seaside riding out the storm at the col-"The fire damaged a sig- lege preparatory Cate School

"We're on a mesa in the foothills and we have two drain-A yearslong drought eased ages on either side of us," Head-IV said.

Williams expected those measurable rain fell in the south canyons would fill with runoff over the past six months. The but decided the school's campus would be safe after discussions high winds last year led to some with county officials. Access of the most destructive blazes could be a problem, he said, but the school has plenty of food

"We see worst case a couple

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# Routing...

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cance of the positive impact of in place." your decision on the future of our territory."

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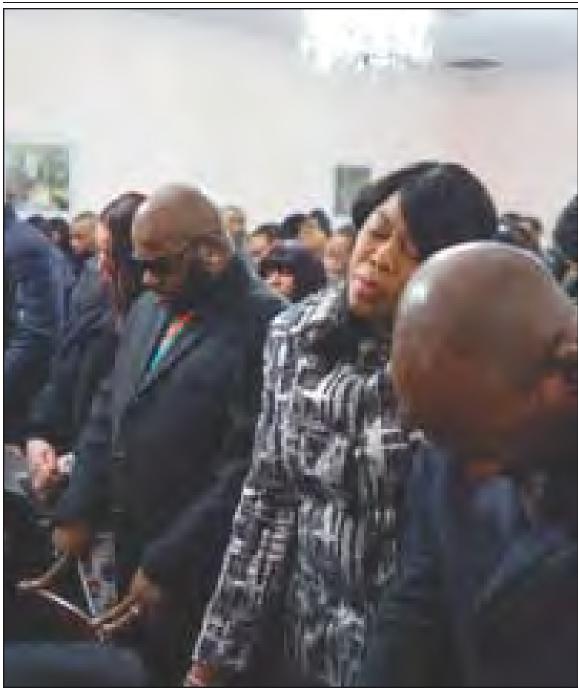
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Special Session; and we would Samoa, that the Bank of Hawaii like to recognize and thank you will not depart American for your overwhelming support Samoa's banking market until a and recognition of the signifi- satisfactory banking solution is

Lolo continued, "We also owe tremendous gratitude to Lolo thanked the TBAS our friends in the State of Utah,

The governor also made mention of the naysayers to He also expressed gratitude the bank, and pointed out that to Peter Ho, chairman and pres- TBAS has now successfully ident of Bank of Hawaii "for achieved one of its milestones,





Family members and other mourners attend a service for fire victims Holt Francis; his wife, Karen Stewart-Francis, 37; their daughters, Kylie, 2, and Kelesha, 7; and their cousin, Shawntay Young, 19, Monday, Jan. 8, 2018, in New York. The family members died in a fatal fire in the Bronx borough of New York that took over a dozen lives on Dec. 28, 2017. (AP Photo/Craig Ruttle)

# **Funeral held for 5** family members killed in NYC fire

NEW YORK (AP) — Wails city's deadliest fire since 1990.

The family members were among 13 people who died in the Dec. 28 fire, which officials said was caused by a 3-year-old boy playing with stove burners.

The service was held at a Manhattan funeral home for Holt Francis; his wife, Karen Stewart-Francis; their daughters, 2-year-old Kylie and 19-year-old cousin, Shawntay Young. They're to be buried together in Jamaica. Mourners clung to each other as they passed the open caskets. One mother, Maria Batiz, 65. woman cried out, "Why?" Another collapsed to the floor.

Paul, called the fire devastating.

"There's nothing here. It's be the whole family like that, training in Fort Lee, Virginia. the whole family.

do we deal with that? How do humously affront.

"I don't want nobody to tell of grief rang out at a funeral me that a 3-year old is respon-Monday for five family mem- sible. I'm sorry my 10-year-old bers who were killed in a Bronx here cannot go near a stove in apartment building fire, the my house. Don't tell me anything about a 3-year old," Paul said.Fire Commissioner Daniel Nigro said a preschooler toying with the burners on his mother's stove accidentally sparked the fire — an inferno that quickly overtook the building and blocked the main escape route, racing through a door and up five floors. Funerals will be held for the other mostly working-7-year-old Kelesha; and their class immigrant victims over the next few weeks. On Sunday, funeral services were held for the youngest victim, 7-monthold Amora Batiz, and her grand-

One of the victims, Emmanuel Mensah, 28, joined The wife's sister, Andrene the military a year earlier, Army officials said. The Ghana native was home for Christmas after hollow," Paul said. "Could not finishing National Guard basic

U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer Nothing is left for us. How has urged the Army to posthonor Mensah, we pick up the pieces from who raced repeatedly into the that?"When asked about the burning apartment building, cause of the fire, Paul took saving four people before succumbing to the flames.





# Folasaga Kovana Lolo **Matalasi Moliga**

RIPOTI O LE FAIGAMALO TATALAGA TAUAOFIAGA **LONA 35 A LE FONO FAITULAFONO** 

tusia: Leua Aiono Frost

O le taeao ananafi sa potomaota e lua, Senate ma le Maota o Sui, ma o le aso atofa fo'i lea fa'aletulafono, e saunoa aloa'ia "Ona o le tutu fa'atasi o ta'ita'i ai le Kovana Sili o fa'auluuluga i vaega e tolu o le faigamalo, ma o le Faigamalo a Amerika Samoa e fa'ailo le tulaga o i ai faia i lea avea'i na fa'ao'o mai le tamaoaiga tausi o le atunu'u e le NOAA, lea ua iloga ai le mai le tausaga ua tuana'i, ae maise o le gasologa i le lumana'i a le Malo ma ona tagata.

O le susuga le Fa'afeagaiga, Rev. Semo Tapaleao mai le Ekalesia Fa'apotopotoga Kerisiamo i Aoloau ma lana aufaipese sa tofia fa'apitoa e si'itia le tataloa amata ma toe fa'ai'uina le sauniga mamalu fa'atasi ai ma le fofogaina o vi'iga o le Atua e lana aufaipese siufofoga malie.

"Ina ua aofia moli i le futiafu e tasi, i le manuia mai le Atua, ua tatou iloa fo'i, e ui lava ina sousou le folauga, ae ua to'ai taunu'u mai i manu le amataga o lenei tausaga 2018. O le aotelega o mea uma na fa'atino ma lutia ai le folauga i tulaga o le tamaoaiga fa'asoasoa, o le a taumafai lea e fa'aleo, aua o mea taua nei i se folauga mai le tausaga ua tuana'i, ae maise o le taotoga o i ai ma fa'asolo atu mo le aga'i i luma."

Na saunoa lana afioga le Kovana Lolo Moliga i mea ua ia fa'ailo, o mea e taua, o ni matati'a ua ausia, ma ni mea fo'i ua le gafatia ona fa'atino e le Malo peita'i ua amatalia ae le'i mae'a.

"O le a ou fa'ailo ni matati'a ua ausia, aua o se mea lelei fo'i, ona o lea e pa'au mai le Sui i Uosigitone, Aumua Amata, aua e mana'omia lana fesoasoani i mea e le'i mae'a ona fa'atino, ae sa i ai fo'i lona sao aoga tele i taumafaiga ua a'e manumalo. O le taua lea o le galulue fa'atasi o ta'ita'i uma o le atunu'u, ia mafai ona faia ma le saogalemu galuega mo le agai i luma o lana faigamalo."

O le ulua'i matati'a ua ausia nei, "O le gafatia ona faliu o le fa'aiuga a le NOAA ina ia fa'aitiitia mai le tatou sone fagota mai le 50 maila i le na'o le 12 maila. O lea sone fagota ua fa'atulaga mo va'a laiti e le o'o le tetele i le 60futu le uumi, peita'i, ua faliu nei ma ua fa'ailo mai le finagalo fa'aalia o le Fa'amasinoga a le Feterale i Hawaii, e matua taua lava le fa'aiuga na fa'ataoto mai e augatua'a ua mavae o Amerika Samoa e fa'atautaia ai le malo

fa'ateritori o Amerika Samoa mai le amataga. E ui la ina o lo'o poto ai le mamalu fa'atafatolu taoto pea le fa'aiuga e fa'ato'a o le Faigamalo Fa'ateritori a fa'ailo mai pe a mae'a le taimi Amerika Samoa i le Gov. H. atofaina, ae ua ataata mai ata Rex Lee Auditorium ina ia o taulelei ona o lea avea'i ua tatala aloa'ia tauaofiaga lona fa'ailo mai e le Fa'amasinoga 35 a le Fono Faitulafono i ona a le Malo Tele i Hawaii, lea e aumaia fo'i se i'uga."

Sa fa'ailoa mai e le Kovana, latou soalaupule i se fa'ai'uga e malosi tele o le tatou pito la'au

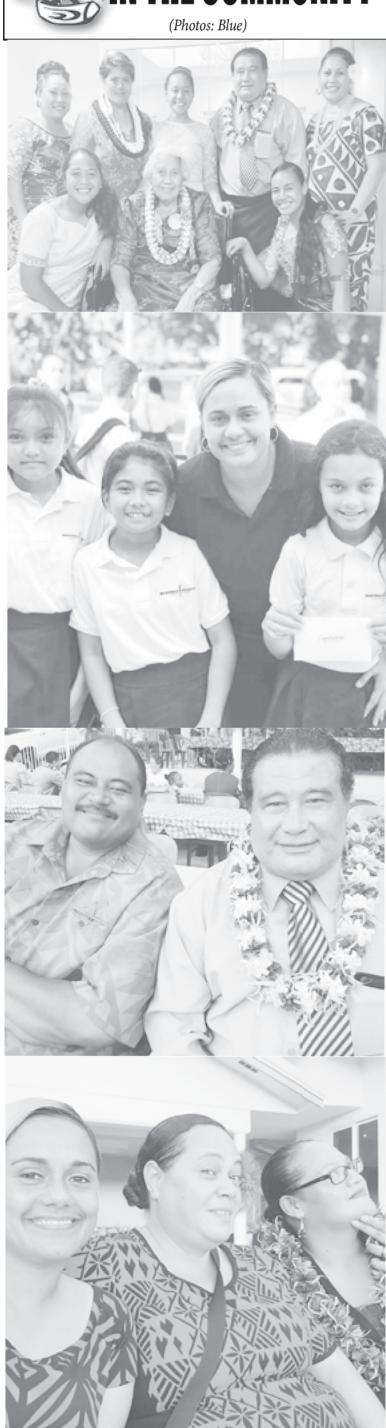
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O le taimi ua taina ai le vi'i o le Fu'a ale Malo Tele o Amerika fa'apea fo'i le vi'i o le Fu'a a Amerika Samoa lea ua tutu fa'aaloalo ona ta'ita'i, le afioga le Fa'amasino SIli Kruse, le afioga le Fofoga Fetalai Savali Ale, le afioga le Kovana Sili Lolo Moliga, ma le afioga le Peresetene o le Maota Maualuga Gaoteote Palaie. [ata: Leua Aiono









#### TALA 'OTO'OTO O LE PASEFIKA

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#### TALIA MA LE AGAGA FIAFIA E AMATA SE TINOITUPE E SILIA MA LE \$2 MIL-IONA MO LE OFISA OLE SOIFUA MALO-LOINA A AMERIKA SAMOA

aloaia ai e le tofa Aumua Amata, le Sui Faipule o Amerika Samoa i Uosinitone, ia se tinoitupe mai i le Malo Feterale, e \$2,321,000 mo le Matagaluega o le Soifua Maloloina a Amerika Samoa aua ekalesia. le polokalama au taua faaPeretania o le "Pacific Basin Health Center Cluster Program".

Na fa'aleoina e Aumua lona gaga fa'afetai i tabu ai le tele o fa'afitauli o lo'o feagai ma lenei tautua tau i le Soifua Maloloina i totonu o Amerika Samoa.

O lenei fesoasoani tau tupe ua avala mai i le olaga. Tautua o le Soifua Maloloina ma Nagata Cautèle a Amerika Samoa (HHS)

Na fa'aalia foi e Aumua lona agaga fa'afetai i le Faatonusili o le DOH a Amerika Samoa, le susuga Motusa Tuileama Nua ma la aufaigaluega faapea le Faatonusili o lenei poloketi, o Manhart Alo ma lana foi vaega ona o la latou foi fesoasoani ua mafai ai ona maua mai lenei faamanuiaga mo Amerika Samoa.

[Ofisa a Aumua Amata-Washington D.C.]

#### FAASOA MAI 'SAIFUIANE' E FAATATAU I AIGA MA SAMOA

O le Aiga ma le Aganu'u, o vaega taua lea i le soifuaga o se alii Samoa ua ta'uta'ua i le ata tifaga o le Matai, le susuga Albert Tupuola.

O lenei ata o le Matai e faatatau i se Matai O le Aso Faraile, Ianuari 5, 2018 na talia talavou o lo'o avea ma sa'o o lona aiga ma e alofa i se tamaitai e igoa ia Oketi ae peitai, o lo'o u'una'i e le tuaa o lenei tamaitai, se alii faifeau, ia Oketi ina ia faaipoipo atu i se aoao o le latou

> Na saunoa Tupuola, o lenei ata o le Matai, e lelei mo so'o se tagata.

Na soifua mai Tupuola i Ausetalia ae peitai, na lenei faamanuiaga ua maua e Amerika Samoa ola o ia i Samoa ma sa aoga i le Primary School a Malifa ma le Kolisi a Sagato Iosefo. I le 2005 sa ia ausia ai se sikolasipi lakapi mo le Kolisi a Sagato Paulo ma o iina na iloga ai le suiga i lona

> O lo'o galue foi Tupuola i totonu o falepuipui mo fanau talavou i Niu Sila ma o se alii foi e fiafia i le siva.

> Na faailoa mai e Tupuola le toatele o tagata Samoa o lo'o lagolagoina ana taumafaiga, e le gata i totonu o tifaga ae faapea foi i lana taleni o le siva.

Na ia fa'aalia lona agaga faafetai ona ua mafai ona ia tautuaina ona tagata e ala i lenei tifaga.

(Source: Samoa Observer)



O le va'aiga i nisi o fa'atonu sili sa auai i lea tatalaga aloa'ia o le nofoaiga lona 35 lenei a le fono [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



O le afioga le Tamaalemalo Aumoeualogo Te'o J Fuavai ua fa'afeiloa'ia i lenei tausaga fou e le afioga le Faipule i Uosigitone o Amerika Samoa Aumua Amata ma le afioga le Senatoa Fonoti Tafaifa Aufata. [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

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tau'ave, ia galulue fa'atasi ma tumaoti sa latou fa'aaogaina, ua tutu fa'atasi e mautu ma manuia motusia ma atili ai ona a'afia le ai se mataupu e tau fa'ailo ma tamaoa'iga tausi o le tatou malo tauanauina se suiga lelei. Sa i le silia ma le \$6miliona." nofo tatalo tagata uma, aua o le tatou tamaoaiga tele lea e tausia faigamalo a le Iunaite Setete ma ai lo tatou lotoifale e ala mai i ua a'afia ai le tele o aiaiga o tupe faigafaiva i le tatou gataifale."

Sui i le Konekeresi, lea ua tatou mo i tatou iinei." a'ea'eina se manuia ua toina ese mo le tatou malo ma ona tau le tamaoaiga sa ia fa'ailoa tagata sa a'afia. Lea fo'i sa faia ai, "E ui ina lutaluta le tai o le le vaega a le Malo saili nisi ala folauga i le 2017, ae ua o'o ane e fesaosoani ai i le to'atele e le o i lona fa'ai'uga ua uliuli mai, ua faigaluega, saili avanoa faigal- le mumu. E tusa lava pe le atoa uega i fafo, lea ua mae'a malaga se \$100,000. lea e uliuli ai, ae o atu nisi o le atunu'u e tausaili ai le mea sili o lea ua tele aitalafu tamaoaiga tausi mo latou aiga lea ua mae'a totogia, ma ua i na avanoa faigaluega i kamu- uliuli mai le vaitusi ua se'ei ai." pani tetele i fafo."

"O se manuia lea ua tatou i luma o le tatou malo? maua, ae fa'afetai e le o manatu ese atu.

vaega a le Loia Sili ma lana i ai e aoga lea so'otaga ina ia aufaigaluega ma Aumua Amata fa'aleleia atili ai le tautua tau le tatou sui i le Konekeresi ua feso'ota'iga i le atunu'u. mafai ai ona ausia lena manuia, fa'afetai."

ona tagata. Lea ua ausia lena atu i talavai totogi i Niu Sila." matati'a ma e fa'aauau ai pea i ai mo le faletupe. Aua e moni a lena finauga." lava, e fesuia'i aso ma tausaga

fa'atino i le tausaga 2017, lena totogi maulalo. Ae maise sa fa'ailoa ai e Kovana Lolo fo'i o le Kamupani I'a e i'u Moliga, "O se tausaga pito i ai ina tula'i ese atu, ma le toe faigata lea i le folauga a le tatou i ai loa ni galuega mo le 3,000 faigamalo. O le tausaga 2013 o tagata faigaluega ae maise o lelei tupe a le Malo, tausaga Pisinisi o lo'o feso'ota'i a latou 2014 aitalafu le malo, 2015 tautua ma le Kamupani I'a. E ao lelei tupe a le malo, 2016 tulaga ia i tatou uma ona saili nisi ala lelei pea tupe a le Malo, lea ua fou e mafai ai ona tatou tapena, a'e manumalo le 2017 e ui i le ma tatou le afaina tele i nei

"O poloketi fa'ata'ita'ia a le ASPA lea ua faia nei i le Eletise e tatalo, ae a le galulue fa'atasi i Manu'a, lea ua amata nei ona lava i ai, e le mafai ona fua mai tula'i mai o le a fa'aauau ma e ni mea lelei. Sa ia fa'alauiloa aoga tele lea i le Manu'atele ma mai le mae'a lelei o le "All le mamao o i ai. Tausaga e 2015, Purpose Building" a le Kolisi tapunia mai le Samoa Tuna ma i le aso. Ua vala'aulia uma ai fa'apena fo'i ona leai ai ma ni fa'atasi ta'ita'i o le Malo ia auai. galuega a le to'a 800+ tagata sa O lea fo'i se galuega ua atoa ai faigaluega ai, ae maise fo'i o le taumafaiga ina ia pasia le tautua feso'ota'i ma isi pisinisi

"Ia Ianuari 2016, suia mai le e toina mai mo le tatou teritori. Lona lua o matati'a ua ausia, Mo se fa'ata'ita'iga o le vaega sa ia fa'atepa ai le pa'ia na sasao, tupe mo le TAOA lea fefinaua'i na taimi na fa'ailo ai le sala a e o'o mai i le taimi nei. Ua le Kamupani I'a ma sa a'afia ai fesuia'i ta'ita'i o na vaega i le le tamaoaiga tausi i le to'atele Malo tele, ae a'afia ai fo'i ma i o aiga o si tatou atunu'u. Fai tatou i le fa'atautaiga o le polole vaega a le tatou malo i ona kalama i le tatou nei malo. A le ta'ita'i fa'apea ma le mamalu o seti mai lava fafo, ua fa'apena tagata lautele, ae maise le tatou ona le mautu ai ma alamanuia

I le toega o lana lea folasaga

"O le a se fuafuaga o le aga'i

O lo'o ua galulue nei le malo lava le Kamupani I'a lea e tula'i e sapaia le Hawaiki Cable e pei ona finagalo i ai le ASTCA O le galulue fa'atasi fo'i le aua pea afai e va'ai toto'a atu

I le tulaga fo'i o le tatou falema'i ma le tautua lautele Matati'a lona tolu na saunoa mo le soifua maloloina, ua talia i ai le Kovana, "Tulaga o le nei le auina atu o tatou tagata Faletupe a le tatou Malo, ma mo togafitiga o latou gasegase i se numera mo ana galuega Niu Sila. E taugofie ma e lelei feso'ota'i ma isi faletupe ma tele fo'i le latoo togafitiga o pisinisi tau fefa'ataua'iga ma isi tatou gasegase, e matua le fesimalo uma. E ui ina le galulue ligia lava. Ua mae'a pasia uma fa'atasi uma tagata i lenei polo- nei mea, ae sa fa'afaigata aua keti, ae sa matua finau malosi e ao fo'i ina mua'i pasia mai i latou na avea ma sui mo lea fa'ato'a fa'alauiloa atu ai lea o galuega ina ia tu ma fa'atautaia nei suiga lelei. Peita'i o se tasi sa'o ia maua le numera lenei. O lea o ala ua fa'aitiitia ai le tupe tama sa tutula'i mai e faia lenei fa'aalu, aua e taugata tele pili galuega, fa'afetai i lo outou mai falema'i ma talavai i setete finau i mea e lelei ai le malo ma eseese o Amerika pe a fa'atusa

"I le tulaga o le sala a le Star ona taumafai atili e fa'aleleia Kist lea e totogia, o lea vaega atoatoa mea uma. O le taua tupe sa tatau lava ona ta'i 50% lava lea o le galulue fa'atasi o mo Amerika Samoa 50% mo le fono faitulafono ma le faiga- le malo tele, aua o i tatou tonu malo e mafai ai ona ausia tulaga lava lea e ona le ogasami lea e fa'apenei, aua ana le tali le fono, talanoaina ma ta'usala ai le Star e fa'apenei lava e le mafai ona Kist. O lo'o galulue pea i ai le maua se numera lea sa taumafai Ofisa o le Loia Sili pe tua ma ni

"O le tulaga fo'i tau le totogi ae tumau lava faiva e tautua ai maulalo e ao ina fa'amalosia iinei, e ta'utino atu, e matua I lana folasaga tau galuega tatou le gafatia lava ona totogia omiga pe afai ae tutupu mai."

"E moni tatou te tatalo, ae fiu

(Faaauau itulau 12)

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# INVITATION FOR BIDS

IFB No: 1221-2018

Issuance Date: December 21, 2017

Closing Date: Friday, January 19, 2018 No later than 2:00 PM local time

Notice is hereby given that the Congregational Christian Church in American Samoa, by and through the General Secretariat, will receive sealed bid packets from qualified contractors for the CCCAS 'UA TAUNUU' ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

#### Submission:

All bids submissions are to be sent to the following address:

**EFKAS Main Office Building** Kanana Fou, Tafuna OR P.O. BOX 1537, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 Attn: Rev. Ioelu Onesemo

Sealed bids will be received by the General Secretary of CCCAS no later than 2:00 p.m. (local time), Friday, January 19, 2018 at which time and place the sealed bids will be open and read by the CCCAS Executive and the General Purpose Committee Board.

Any bid received after the aforementioned date and time will not be accepted under any circumstances. Late submissions will not be opened or considered and will be determined as being non-responsive.

#### Pre-bid Conference:

There will be NO pre-bid conference required for this project. However, we strongly advise all interested contractors to do their own assessment of the site, existing roof of the Church Building and come up with an estimate to renovate interior of the building, remove and replace the roof of the present building.

For more information about this project, please contact the following person (s): Rev. loelu Onesemo (General Secretary CCCAS, Acting) 699-9810 Rev. Letalitonu Tagaloa (Chairman General Purposes Committee) 770-8515

Note: Documents and blueprint of the NEW ROOF can be picked up at the CCCAS Main Office, Kanana Fou (9am-4pm) and additional information regarding the project.

The Congregational Christian Church in American Samoa reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any irregularities and/or informalities in the submitted bids that are not in the best interest of the CCCAS.

Approved for Issuance:

Rev. Elder Eveni Mamoe, Jr., CCCAS Moderator



**American Samoa Government** OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT

# **INVITATION FOR BIDS** IFB-025-2018

Issuance Date: January 3, 2018

Closing Date: January 10, 2018 No later than 2:00p.m. (local time)  $\otimes$ 

### 1. INVITATION

Sealed bids are invited from qualified firms to provide "Department of Public Safety Building" Repairs" located in the Village of Fagatogo, Territory of American Samoa.

#### 2. RECEIPT & OPENING OF BIDS

Sealed bids will received by the Chief Procurement Officer, American Samoa Government, Tafuna, American Samoa 96799, until 2:00 p.m. (local time), Wednesday January 10, 2018 at which time and place the sealed bids will publicly opened and read.

#### 3. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the Office of Procurement Conference Room. Bids will not be accepted from bidders who are not present at the Pre-Bid Conference.

#### 4. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- 5. Electronic copies of contract documents, including Plans and Specifications may be examined or obtained at the Office of Procurement free of charge.
- **6.** The American Samoa Government reserves the right not to accept the lowest or any bid.
- 7. The American Samoa Government reserves the right to waive any informality in bidding as may be in the best interest of American Samoa.

DR. ORETA MAPU CRICHTON

Chief Procurement Officer

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O se va'aiga i le aufaipese siufofoga malie a le EFKAs i Aoloau na malaga atu e vi'ia le Atua i lea sauniga mamalu, tatalaga o le nofoa'iga lona 35 a le Fono Faitulafono a Amerika Samoa. O le latou fa'afeagaiga sa siitia le fa'afetai, tatalo amata ma le tatalo fa'ai'u fa'apea se upu fa'amalosi'au mo ta'ita'i o le atunu'u. [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



## **AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Management Information System

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Position Title: Employment Status:**  SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR

Full Time/12 months (Career Service)

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#### Responsibilities and Duties:

- Oversee management, maintenance, security and support ASCC servers.
- Software updates, firmware updates, hardware maintenance, troubleshooting, system backups, environmental controls, and security program management (extends to systems and networks managed by these servers).
- Manage Ellucian Colleague applications and servers.
- Create and maintain infrastructure documentation, server diagrams, disaster recovery
  - in accordance with Security Program (Security Frameworks).
- Build and manage systems to improve site operations (Infrastructure Design).
- Manages servers running Windows, Linux, Solaris, software defined storage, and general cloud computing principles.
- · Perform miscellaneous job-related duties as assigned by the CIO.

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Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science from an accredited community or technical college or university, or equivalent combination of relevant education and experience.

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**Application Deadline:** Jan 12, 2018 no later than 4:00pm.

Applications are available from American Samoa Community College, Human Resources Office at 699-9155 Ext. 477/335/403 or email Lipena Samuelu at I.samuelu@amsamoa.edu or Silaulelei Saofaigaalii at s.saofaigaalii@amsamoa.edu.

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agava'a o le Kolisi Tu'ufa'atasi o Amerika Samoa.

falea'oga fo'i i A'oga tulaga fa'asaina." muamua."

E tele galuega o lo'o fia faia fa'amavae mai ai. mo Uafu, peita'i e fa'asolosolo ititi mae'a le galuega o lo'o sa tutula'i ai le tofa Taeaoafua fa'agasolo mo ona ala sese'e Dr Meki Solomona ua maliu ai va'alele. Ae ua mae'a le nei, o lo'o ua ou tofia fo'i John fesuia'iga o tulaga ma nofoaga Suisala e avea ma fa'atonusili o e fa'atutu a Tane Suau'u."

ona totogia uma aitalafu sa nofo lava matagaluega." aitalafu ai le Malo i le McCone le Malo. Lea ua mae'a nisi o mamalu a le fono faitulafono. vaega o le alatele ma ua mae'a totogia fo'i la pili uma a le Malo tima'ia ai i tatou uma i lo tatou i lea kamupani.

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malolosi o galu."

"I le vaega o le Puipuiga Malu o le Malo ma le soifua o E tusa lava po'o le a le tau ona tagata, ua galulue a'ia'i i ai faasoasoa o le tupe maua a le afioga le Komesina o Leoleo le Malo, ae taumafai lava ia ma lana matagaluega, ae maise fa'atutu falea'oga fou, ia si'itia le Puipuiga o le Saogalemu le atamamai o faia'oga e a'oa'o Fa'alotoifale o le atunu'u i le ai le fanau a le atunu'u, ma ia latou fo'i fa'atonusili ma le fa'aleleia fale e fa'aaogaina aufaigaluega. Ia utagia mai le mo a'oa'oga a le fanau. Ua le tauamafaiga o lo'o fa'atautaia gata i le Kolisi Tu'ufa'atasi ae nei, ina ia mautinoa o lo'o saoua galueaina fo'i falea'oga i galemu tagata uma mai a'afiaga A'oga Maualuluga, fa'apea ma o fuala'au o'ona ma vaila'au

"O le Matagaluega o Paka Ua fa'alauiloa mai fo'i se ma Malae Ta'alo ua ou tofia aso o lenei vaiaso po'o le vaiaso ai Ken Tupua e tou te filifili a sau, e tatala aloa'ia ai le Uafu i ai i lona agava'a peita'i o ia Fou i le Taulaga, lea e tusa ma lea sa avea ma Sui Fa'atonu i le \$10miliona lona tau aofa'i. le susuga Pili Gaoteote lea ua

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"O lo ua aofia i la outou nell Dowell. Sa faia se maliliega lipoti ua taua'aina nei, le aiaiga ma lea kamupani fai auala ina o tulafono tau tupe ua taumafai ia latou faia auala ae tatalia le mai le malo e fa'aulu atu mo a avatuga o le totogi se'ia gafatia outou iloiloga i lenei tauaofiaga

Peita'i o se mea e ao ina vaitau o le soifuaga, e ao ina Peita'i o le a fa'aauau atu i le tatou va'ai toto'a i le aiaiga o alatele i Taputimu ma Vailoa ae lo tatou va tu'inonofo ai ma le maise o Malaeloa. Atonu o le a Malo Tele. Ua tatou uia lea ala le fausia se auala mautu, ae o le fita i le taumafaiga e toe soloia a fa'aleleia mo feoa'iga mo se le fa'atonuga mai le NOAA, vaitaimi seia toe toina mai fo'i lea ua tatou tau fai finaua lea se vaega tupe mo alatele mai le mataupu ina ia toe tepa ai ma taumafai ai se tatou fa'avae Tulaga o taligalu, lea ua mautu. Peita'i le mamalu o le va'aia ua amatalia galuega tatou faigamalo i ona ta'ita'i i fa'aleleia o taligalu i le afio'aga ona vaega e tolu, e ui lava ina o Taputimu ma Vailoa, afai o le tatou taumafai i le mea suili e a mae'a nei taligalu e fa'asolo tautua ai ma faia ni galuega tau mai i isi vaega o le atunu'u ua atina'e o le tatou malo, ae leai mae'a maitauina o lo'o i ai se lava se galuega ma se taumaafaina tele ona o le si'isi'i o le faiga e atoatoa. A le atoa fo'i se maualuga o le suasami ma le galuega, tau ina ia fa'aatoa e le Atua mo i tatou."

# **Autos overshadow the small gad**gets at CES tech show in Vegas

devices: namely, automobiles.

save more practical announce-Hyundai and Ford have a noticeshowcase in Las Vegas. CES is a chance for carmakers and suppliers of automotive parts and and far-out ideas.

Among Monday:

where potential buyers can set for the entire video at once.

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The try on clothes or shoes or pick smartphones and other small through flea market items. The machines that used to dominate project is still in the conceptual the annual CES gadget show stage, with testing expected in have been overshadowed in the 2020s.— Automotive suprecent years by bigger mobile plier Bosch wants to help guide drivers to vacant parking spots Auto companies typically in as many as 20 U.S. cities, including Los Angeles, Miami ments about new cars, trucks and Boston. The company says and SUVs for the upcoming it will be working with auto-Detroit auto show. But major makers on the initiative but automakers like Toyota, Kia, didn't say which ones. As cars drive by, they will automatiable presence at this week's tech cally recognize and measure gaps between parked cars and transmit that data to a digital map.In other developments at software to display their wilder CES:— TV manufacturers are showcasing new models highlights all with acronyms to set their sets apart. One feature called Toyota says it's devel- HDR10+ by Samsung and HDR oping self-driving mini-buses 10 Pro by LG takes what's that can serve as bite-sized known as high dynamic range stores. These vehicles will and adjusts settings for each drive themselves to places frame, instead of having levels



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# **US ends protections for Salva**doran immigrants, sparking fear

decision to end special protec- or face deportation. El Salvador returning people. tions for about 200,0000 Salvadoran immigrants filled many since President Donald Trump deadline on another extension, Salvadoran families with dread took office to lose protection concluded that El Salvador has Monday, raising the possibility that they will be forced to vides humanitarian relief for tional aid to recover from the abandon their roots in the U.S. people whose countries are hit earthquake, and homes, schools and return to a violent homeland they have not known for strife. years, even decades.

retary Kirstjen Nielsen gave to Salvadorans in New York, by the earthquake" no longer Salvadorans with temporary

becomes the fourth country under the program, which pro- received significant internawith natural disasters or other and hospitals there have been

The decision, while not other major cities that have welcomed them since at least the 1980s.

who are U.S. citizens.

here? That is a tough decision," said Mendoza, a safety manager at Shapiro & Duncan, a mechanical contractor company small comfort for Teresa Salmin Rockville, Maryland, near erón, a Salvadoran woman who Washington.

Orlando Zepeda, who came to the U.S. in 1984 fleeing civil war in El Salvador, said the lack here? There is no work here," two American-born children.

repeats itself with my children," Zepeda said in Spanish.

vador voluntarily or live in the Trump administration." U.S. illegally under an adminincreased deportation arrests.

Cristian Chavez Guevara, a families will be devastated." 37-year-old Salvadoran immi-He was unsure what to do.

"All of that came to a halt."

money sent by wage earners in of NumbersUSA. the U.S. Over the past decade, growing numbers of Salva- intensifying talks between the dorans - many coming as White House and Congress families or unaccompanied chil- on an immigration package dren — have entered the United that may include protections States illegally through Mexico, for hundreds of thousands of fleeing violence and poverty.

Obama administration extended were temporarily shielded from protections for 18 months, deportation under an Obamasaying El Salvador was still suf- era program. Trump said in fering the lingering effects of September that he was ending earthquakes in 2001 that killed Deferred Action for Childhood more than 1,000 people. The Arrivals, or DACA, but gave administration said the country Congress until March to act.

WASHINGTON (AP) - protected status until Sept. 9, was temporarily unable to The Trump administration's 2019, to leave the United States absorb such a large number of

> Nielsen, who faced a Monday rebuilt.

"The substantial disruption Homeland Security Sec- surprising, was a severe blow of living conditions caused Houston, San Francisco and exists, the department said in a statement.

> El Salvador President Salvador Sanchez Ceren spoke by Guillermo Mendoza, who phone Friday with Nielsen to came to the United States in renew his plea to extend status 2000 when he was 19 years old, for 190,000 Salvadorans and was anguished about what to do allow more time for Congress to with his wife and two children deliver a long-term fix for them to stay in the U.S. The country's "What do I do? Do I leave top diplomat, Foreign Minister the country and leave them Hugo Martinez, said Monday's decision underscored a need for Congress to act.

> > The 18-month delay was has relatives working in the United States.

"What are they going to do of surprise does not ease the she said. "I live on the money sting for the 51-year-old Los they send home." Democratic Angeles-area man who works leaders and immigrant advoin building maintenance and has cacy groups criticized the move. House Democratic Leader "It's sad, because it's the Nancy Pelosi called it "a heartsame story of family separation breaking blow to nearly a quarter from that time, and now history of a million hard-working Salvadorans who are American in every way." Rep. Bennie Many immigrants hope Thompson, ranking Democrat Congress can deliver a long- on the House Homeland Secuterm reprieve by September rity Committee, said it was "just 2019. If that fails, they face a the latest in a string of heartless, grim choice: return to El Sal- xenophobic actions from the

The U.S. Conference of istration that has dramatically Catholic Bishops called it "heartbreaking" and said "many

However, groups advogrant in Houston who is raising cating immigration restrictions two American stepchildren and called it an important step for a young cousin, said the deci- the humanitarian program's sion would tear apart his family. credibility."The past practice of allowing foreign nationals to "I have been building dreams remain in the United States long for the future and raising hope after an initial emergency in for a better future not just for their home countries has ended me but for my family," he said. has undermined the integrity of the program and essentially The action presents a serious made the 'temporary' protected challenge for El Salvador, a status a front operation for country of 6.2 million people backdoor permanent immigrawhose economy counts on tion," said Roy Beck, president

The decision comes amid young immigrants who came In September 2016, the to the country as children and

# FA'ASALALAUGA LONA FA (4)

Talanoaga o le Suafa Asoau Afioaga o Faleasao, Manu'a

O le a e'e ia i vatapu ma fata i mauga o ao pa'ia sausaugatā o lo tatou aiga Sa-Aso'au. Ta'oto fo'i le lafialalo o outou gafa tupu, gafa tamāli'i, gafa fa'afaleupolu, a'o ni alaimalo na sausema ma ni mulivai na fetafea'i e malu ai lenei aiga iā Samoa ma le atuloloa. Nu'unu'u fo'i pa'ia o le aiga o Sa Levi, o tatou taulaga tagata i le Atua ma lona finagalo. Nona fo'i pa'ia o Samoa mai le vai sa o le Tui Manu'a se'i pa 'ia le vai salia na mayae ai Tapuitea ma To'iva e fa'apea: Taeao aena e ala seu, a ifo o le taulaumea ona ta talisua lea ma fa'asausau. Fa'ata'alolo la sa ma faiga ia i To'oto'o latou te tausi va'atele i ai.

Ae tulituli'aupu ia le atu a le sa'u ma tulituli matāgau le ufi a le tama'ita'i, e toe fofoga aloai'a ai lo tatou aiga, o suli ma feoi o le suafa Aso'au, tatou te toe fofoga fesaga'i ma mata fesilafa'i i lo tatou aiga i Faleasao lava, i le aso 13 o lanuari, 2018, i le itula e 9 i le taeao, mo le toe soalaupuleina o le gasegase a malo o lo tatou aiga, o lo'o ta'oto pea i paga ma velo'aso iai lo tatou aiga i o outou finagalo fa'ale-Atua. E fa'amoemoe le taofi vaivai, o le a sopo i ai lo outou soifua manuia mai le Atua lo tatou Mata'isau ma lē ou mea uma i le atulaulau ma le atululuga. O lou le afio mai, o le a le tolopoina ai le finagalo 'autasi o aiga, auā o 'upu lava a le atunu'u, e lelei lo tatou aoao manogi mo le lolo auā se u'u sasala na nanamu lelei mo se tasi e tausia lo tatou aiga i Faleasao. O le toe fonotaga fo'l lenei mo le talanoaina o lenei mataupu.

Faia ma le Fa'aaloalo e tatau ai

Sainia: Ale T. Filoiali'i Le'aai M. Filoiali'i Fuiava B. Fuiava



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The Republican Party of American Samoa proudly recognizes Mr. Sylvester Toatelegese of Nu'uuli Voc Tech

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A Washington State Patrol trooper wears a black band across her badge, Monday, Jan. 8, 2018 to honor Pierce County Sheriff's Deputy Daniel McCartney, who was shot during a foot chase late Sunday night as he responded to a home invasion in Frederickson, Wash., and who died of his wounds later that night. The trooper was taking part in an honor guard ceremony Monday to open the first day of the 2018 legislative session.

# Suspect apprehended in killing of Washington state deputy

in the fatal shooting of a sher- scene, Troyer said. iff's deputy.

Pierce County Daniel McCartney, a 34-year- manhunt among industrial sites old Navy veteran and married as well as wooded areas. father to three young boys, was shot during a foot chase late to appear in court Tuesday on Sunday as he responded to a a first-degree murder charge, home invasion near the small Troyer said. Pierce County Jail community of Frederickson, officials said Monday night 15 miles (24 kilometers) south- that Pawul did not yet have an east of Tacoma, said sheriff's attorney. The deceased suspect's spokesman Ed Troyer.

One suspect in his mid-30s unrelated felony warrants.

A state trooper in the area people.' spotted Pawul, who gave a false

(AP) — Authorities in Wash- rants and further investigation Hoquiam. ington state have arrested a man tied him to the shooting. Two believed to have been involved weapons also were found at the McCartney was taken to a

The suspect was expected name hasn't been released.

"There's a sadness that will was found dead at the scene, be felt and should be felt in and another got away, authori- the community," said Pierce ties said. On Monday, Troyer County Sheriff Paul Pastor. "He said 32-year-old Frank Wil- is a young deputy who signed liam Pawul had been taken into up to watch over other people. custody in the Shelton area on He had an ethic in his heart for doing something for other

McCartney was hired at the name when approached, Troyer sheriff's department in 2014 said. Once authorities learned after stints with police departhis real name, Troyer said he ments in the small Washington

# **Roseanne Barr: Her TV charac**ter's a Trump fan, as should be

true to the show's roots.

debuts March 27 on ABC.

fact it was working class people able," Helford said.

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) who elected Trump," Barr - Roseanne Barr said her char- said Monday. The show also acter's support for President seeks to address the polariza-Donald Trump in the revived tion that has split families, she sitcom "Roseanne" is a reflec- said, calling such divisiveness tion of her own views and also "not American." The show's extended family represents a The sitcom brings the "full cross-section of ideas and Conner family and the life of beliefs," said Bruce Helford, the country up to date when it among the executive producers and actors taking part in a Q&A "I've always attempted to with TV critics. "There's no portray a realistic portrait of agenda on anybody's part but the American people and of to get honest feelings out there, working class people. And in and within a family that's relat-

FREDERICKSON, Wash, was taken to jail on the war- state cities of Aberdeen and

After the shooting, Tacoma hospital, where he was Police had closed off roads pronounced dead. His family Deputy in the area and conducted a members and dozens of law enforcement officers gathered at the hospital to say goodbye, The News Tribune newspaper reported .More than a dozen officers and deputies saluted as McCartney's body was carried from the hospital in a flagdraped coffin and loaded into a

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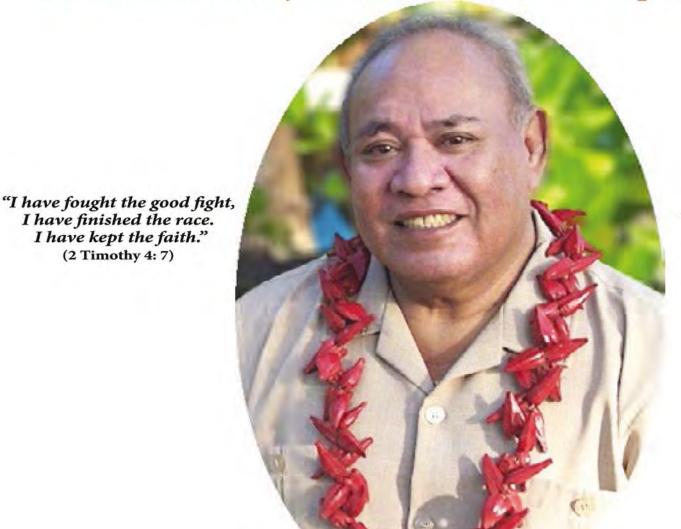
I have finished the race.

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(2 Timothy 4: 7)

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