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# SPORTS

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## Taaloga: volipolo i Amerika Samoa & fusuaga i Alaska

tusia: *Leua Aiono Frost*

Ta'aloga Volley Ball Liki ASVBF - Aso Malolo Columbus: O lo'o fa'atautaia pea le Liki Volley Ball a le Asosi Volipolo a le ASVBF lea e 32 'au o loo aofia ai vaega e fa: Tama'ita'i; U19 Alii; Alii B ma le Ali'i A.

Ta'aloga a tama'ita'i i le malae ta'alo muamua i le aso malolo na te'a nei, ae amata lava ta'aloga a le "Ali'i A" i le Malae lona lua i le faleta'alo o le Kolisi Tu'ufa'atasi.

Mo le ta'amilosaga a Tamaitai na tatala malae ai Mizuno lea na malo lava i seti e lua ia Pala Uso. O le ta'aloga i le va o CTR ma le Tanoa sa sola ai le Tanoa ma le manumalo i seti fo'i e lua o lea fetauiga. Soso'o lea ma le ta'aloga i le va o SOS ma le All 4 One, ua soloia nei lea 'au, ma sa malo fo'i SOS. Measina na fetauai ma le BTI na malo fo'i le BTI i seti e lua.

O le ta'amilosaga lona fitu a tama'ita'i na fetauai ai Mizuno ma CTR na manumalo ai Mizuno i seti e lua. O le ta'aloga i le va Pala Uso ma le All 4 One, ua fa'aleaogaina fo'i le All 4 One ma ua malo ai le Pala Uso.

O le SOS sa fetauai ma Measina ua malo fua nei le Measina. BTI na fetauai ma le Tanoa i le Talita ma ua mau nei le talifa ia BTI i le ta'amilosaga a tama'ita'i.

I ta'aloga a le U19 na amata lea i le fetauiga a le Breakers Point ma le Uso ma na malo le Uso i le lua seti ae tasi le seti a le Breakers Point.

O le ta'aloga a le Laumuatasi ma le Annex ua manumalo ai le

Laumuatasi i seti e lua o le la'ua ta'aloga faitaulia.

Ta'amilosaga a "Alii B Teams" na fetauai le Manu'ula ma Pioneer, malo fua fo'i Paioneer i lea fetauiga. CTR na fetauai ma Tama Samoa Moni na vevela lea ta'aloga ma saili i le seti lona tolu se 'au e malo, lea na malo ai CTR i seti e lua ae tasi Tama Samoa Moni.

O le fetauiga a Aliitaoso ma le Manu'ula na malo ai Aliitaoso i seti e lua. Pioneer na lu'ia le Annex B i le talita ma ua toe malaga lava le Annex ma le Talita a le Alii B.

O ta'aloga a le Alii A na amata ai i le SOS na fetauai ma Puataunofo, malo ai Puataunofo. E le'i taunu'u le ta'aloga i le va o le Pioneer ma le Aliitaoso, toe malo fo'i le Laumuatasi i le Amouli Youth ona e le'i pa'au atu.

Fagatogo na fetauai ma Tama Samoa Moni na matua iloga fo'i le ivi o lea fetauiga, ma o'o ane i le fa'ai'uga ua lua seti a Tama Samoa Moni i le tasi a Fagatogo. Uso na fetauai ma SOS manumalo ai le SOS i le lua seti. No Mercy na fetauai ma West Point malo ai le West Point i seti e lua. Puataunofo na fetauai ma le Tanoa, malo le Puataunofo i seti e lua ae tasi le seti a le Tanoa. CTR na ta'a'alo ma le Sinapi, na tumau lava le Talita ia Sinapi, ae sa bye le Annex.

Toe milo le isi ta'amilosaga o ta'aloga faitaulia a Alii A ma amata i le ta'aloga a le Puataunofo ma Fagatogo, malo ai Fagatogo. CTR na fetauai ma

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No later than 2:00p.m (local time)

- 1. INVITATION**  
Sealed bids are invited from qualified firms to provide “Food, Beverages and Supplies for the American Samoa Department of Education (AS-DOE) - School Lunch Program”.
- 2. RECEIPT & OPENING OF BIDS**  
Sealed bids will be received by the Chief Procurement Officer, American Samoa Government, Tafuna, American Samoa 96799, until 2:00 p.m. (local time), October 24, 2017 at which time and place the sealed bids will be publicly opened and read.
- 3. MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE MEETING**  
A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting for all contractors will be held on October 17, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Office of Procurement - Conference Room. Bids will not be accepted from bidders who are not present at the pre-bid meeting.
- 4. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**  
Electronic copies of contract documents, including Plans and Scope of Work can be examined or obtained from the Office of Procurement during regular business hours free of charge.
- 5.** The American Samoa Government reserves the right not to accept the lowest or any bid.
- 6.** The American Samoa Government reserves the right to waive any informality in bidding as may be in the best interest of the American Samoa Government.

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# Anthem talk, Elliott's legal setback hound Cowboys at break

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — Dak Prescott and Ezekiel Elliott turned reporters away, and Jason Witten stayed out of the open locker room during the bye week for the Cowboys, presumably to avoid questions about Jerry Jones' declaration that the owner would bench players over anthem displays.

Football topics aren't very comfortable for Dallas right now, either.

The Cowboys (2-3) have already matched last year's loss total from the magical rookie quarterback-running back combo of Prescott, the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year, and Elliott.

Now they're looking at six games without last season's NFL rushing leader after a federal appeals court reinstated Elliott's suspension over domestic violence allegations Thursday.

His legal team figures to pursue another legal angle to block the suspension, but at the moment, Elliott won't be allowed on the field Oct. 22 at San Francisco.

That's when all eyes will be on Cowboys players before the game, their first appearance since Jones publicly threatened to punish protesting players after a loss to Green Bay going into the bye.

The few players who did talk Wednesday answered "no comment" to most anthem-related questions a few minutes after a clear-the-air meeting with Jones.

Prescott and Elliott still weren't talking Thursday — before the court ruling against Elliott — while Witten, the 15th-year tight end and unquestioned leader, was a rare no-show both days when the locker room was open to reporters.

However, Prescott did tell a small group of reporters that the meeting with Jones went well, cleared up any miscommunications and should help the team move forward.

"I think our team has done a really good job in regards to this issue and yesterday's meetings about Jerry stating his position, I think it was well received," coach Jason Garrett said when asked if Jones risked dividing the team with his provocative comments.

"I think they understand that he has great respect for them, great love and admiration for them. Yesterday's meeting was a really productive one for all of us. I do believe we're united on this."

The Cowboys have always stood for the national anthem. At Jones' urging, they joined their owner in kneeling with arms locked before the anthem

and standing during the singing with the flag displayed prior to a Monday night game in Arizona.

That was a few days after President Donald Trump criticized NFL players for kneeling during the anthem.

The topic has surfaced again, and at a critical time for the Cowboys, particularly if Elliott's attorneys can't get him back on the field. After visiting the last-place 49ers, the defending NFC East champs go to division rival Washington.

Then it's consecutive games against AFC-leading Kansas City and defending NFC champion Atlanta.

"One of the benefits we have as being the Dallas Cowboys is we always have distractions," center Travis Frederick said. "That's just kind of the world we live in, so I feel like this team is good at kind of moving that stuff to the back and thinking about football."

The offense was starting to come around after a sluggish few weeks, with Prescott and Elliott having their best games in the 35-31 loss to the Packers. Now the question will be who replaces Elliott if the suspension sticks.

Darren McFadden figured to be that guy before the season, but he's been inactive all five weeks in favor of Alfred Morris. McFadden still could take the lead role because he was the Cowboys' leading rusher in 2015 and fourth in the NFL, even though he mostly sat for five weeks.

"We're getting to where we want to be," Prescott said after the Packers game. "We have a high standard on the offensive side of the ball."

The Cowboys need help on the defensive side, and should be getting it with the return of All-Pro linebacker Sean Lee.

He missed the past two games with a hamstring injury, and Dallas lost both despite scoring at least 30 points and gaining at least 400 yards in both.

The rest of the NFL has just two such losses this season.

After Prescott ran for the go-ahead touchdown with 1:13 remaining against Green Bay, Aaron Rodgers needed just 52 seconds to take the Packers the other way for the winning score.

"We don't finger-point in this locker room," Elliott said. "We're a family. When we're down, they're going to pick us up. When they're down, it's our job to pick them up."

If Elliott is down for six weeks, the Cowboys will be challenged to avoid a lost season similar to 2015, the last time they were defending NFC East champs.



**American Samoa Government  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

# PROCLAMATION

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

### Oketopa 2017

*WHEREAS*, anyone can be a victim of domestic violence regardless of age, sex, ability, ethnicity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, or religion; and

*WHEREAS*, many victims and survivors of domestic violence find it difficult to report incidences of violence, as victim blaming is extremely prevalent; and

*WHEREAS*, the impact of domestic violence on the family can lead to lifelong trauma for not only victims, but the children who witness domestic abuse; and

*WHEREAS*, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for the people of American Samoa to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to victims; and

*WHEREAS*, advocates, professionals, volunteers and community members concerned with domestic violence will devote the month of October to raising awareness about the causes, interventions and prevention of this devastating crime; and

*WHEREAS*, during the month of October, also known as **NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**, the American Samoa Alliance against Domestic and Sexual Violence, and its partners reaffirm their dedication to lifting the veil of silence on domestic violence in American Samoa.

*Now, Therefore, be it Resolved that I, Lolo Matalasi Moliga*, Governor of the Territory of American Samoa, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2017 as “Domestic Violence Awareness Month”, and endorse the commitment to ending domestic violence in the community. I call on all citizens of the Territory of American Samoa to speak out against domestic violence and support local efforts to assist victims of these crimes in finding the help and healing they need.

*In witness thereof*, I have hereunto set my signature on this 27th day of September 2017, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and seventeen.

# POLOA'IGA FA'ALAUUA'ITELE

## MASINA E FA'ATAUAINA AI LE TETE'E ATU I SAUAGA FA'ALOTOIFALE

### October 2017

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*TALUAI*, o le to'atele o tagata Samoa ua sauaina i sauaga fa'alotoifale, e fa'afaigata ona ripotia tulaga tau sauaga, aua e faitioina lava le ua a'afia nai lo o le sa fa'ataunu'uina sauaga; ma

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*TALUAI*, o le fa'atauaina o le masina e tete'e atu i sauaga fa'alotoifale, o se avanoa lelei tele mo tagata o Amerika Samoa e a'oa'o atili ai i le fa'aitiitia o sauaga fa'alotoifale aemaise o le lagolagoina o fa'alapotopotoga eseese ma tagata ta'ito'atasi, o e o lo'o faia galuega fa'afaufautua, auaunaga ese'ese ma le fesoasoani i e ua a'afia; ma

*TALUAI*, ua fa'apitoa le masina o Oketopa ia i latou o lo'o ave ma fautua mo nisi, o i latou o lo'o iai tomai fa'apitoa, o i latou o lo'o ofoina fua le latou tautua, faapea ma le lautele o lo'o popo'e i tulaga o sauaga fa'alotoifale, e ave ma masina e fa'atupula'ia ai le silafia o mafua'aga, fofo, ma puipuiga mai leni solitulafono mata'utia; ma

*TALUAI*, i le masina o Oketopa, ua ta'ua o le masina e fa'atupula'ia ai le silafia o tulaga i sauaga fa'alotoifale, o le a fa'apena ona toe fa'amalosia ai taumafaiga a le Mau mo le tete'e atu i sauaga fa'alotoifale ma fa'afeusua'iga, ma o latou pa'aga, ina ia ave'esea le ufimata o lo'o pupunia ma taofiofia le fa'aailoa mai o sauaga i totonu o Amerika Samoa, a'o tatou taumafai e fa'amalosia aia tatau o tagata uma e saoloto mai ai i sauaga ma le fa'atauma'oi.

*O LEA, IA FA'AMAUINA, O A'U O LOLO MATALASI MOLIGA, KOVANA* o le teritori o Amerika Samoa, ua ou poloa'iina ai le **Masina o Oketopa 2017, o le Masina o le fa'atauaina o le tete'e atu i sauaga fa'alotoifale**, ma fa'amaonia le ta'utinoga ina ia fa'amutaina sauaga fa'alotoifale i le tatou atunu'u. Ou te vala'au atu i tagata nu'u uma o Amerika Samoa, ina ia fa'atalanoa, fa'aailoa, ma tete'e atu i sauaga fa'alotoifale, ma sapaapaia uma galuega ma 'au'aunaga ese'ese i totonu o tatou laufanua, o lo'o fa'atinoina e fesoasoani ai ia i latou ua afaina i nei soligatulafono, ina ia latou maua le fesoasoani, to'omaga, ma le fa'amalologa o lo'o latou mana'omia.

*I LE MOLIMAUINA AI*, o lea ua ou fa'amauina la'u saina i le Aso 27 o Setema 2017, i le tausaga o lo tatou Ali'i, Lua Afe Sefulufitu.

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Any person who wish, may file his objection in writing with the Secretary of the Land Commission before the 27TH day of NOVEMBER, 2017. It should be noted that any objection must clearly state the grounds therefor.

POSTED: SEPTEMBER 27, 2017 thru NOVEMBER 27, 2017  
SIGNED: Taïto S.B. White, Territorial Registrar

## KOMISI O LAU'ELE'ELE

O LE FAASALALAUGA lenei ua faia ona o TIMO MATUU & MOTUILIU VESI MATUU, sui o le AIGA SA ATOFAU FIAVIVINI ATOFAU ole nu'u o LEPUPUA, Amerika Samoa, ua ia faia se FEAGAIGA LISI, i se fanua ua lauiloa o LEPUPUA, e i le nu'u o LEPUPUA i le itumalo o FOFO, Falelima i SISIFO ole Motu o TUTUILA Amerika Samoa. O lea FEAGAIGA LISI ua i ai nei i teuga pepa ale Resitara o Amerika Samoa e fia auina atu ile Kovana Sili mo sana fa'amaoniga e tusa ai ma le Tulafono a Amerika Samoa. O lea mata'upu o lo'o ta'ua ai FIAVIVINI & TINA ATOFAU.

A iai se tasi e fia fa'atu'iese i lea mata'upu, ia fa'aulufaleina mai sa na fa'atu'iesega tusitusia ile Failautusi o lea Komisi ae le'i oo ile aso 27 o NOVEMA, 2017 Ia manatua, o fa'atu'iesega uma lava ia tusitusia manino mai ala uma e fa'atu'iese ai.

10/13 & 11/13/17

# Astros vets Beltran, McCann saw birth of baby Bronx Bombers

HOUSTON (AP) — Carlos Beltran and Brian McCann spent most of the previous three seasons as teammates with the New York Yankees, and while there got to see the birth of those baby Bronx Bombers they will now face in the AL Championship Series.

“It is a little crazy,” said McCann, the 33-year-old catcher who was traded by the Yankees to Houston last winter.

“But when I was behind the scenes and got to see these young guys play, perform and the way (Aaron) Judge came out this year, it’s no surprise they’re in the position they’re in.”

Beltran and McCann are now two of the old guys for another team with plenty of talented youth — the Astros. Both veterans hope for another shot to finally win a World Series ring.

Game 1 of the best-of-7 ALCS is Friday night in Houston.

Much of the reason that

New York was able to let go of McCann was another young slugger, 24-year-old catcher Gary Sanchez (33 homers this season, 53 in 177 career games). Judge, the 6-foot-7 rookie right fielder, hit an AL-best 52 homers this year.

Beltran, the 40-year-old designated hitter in his 20th big league season, admits that he was a bit surprised at how quickly the youngsters developed.

“It’s good to watch, it’s very refreshing to watch,” said Beltran, who was sent from New York to Texas at the trade deadline last summer and then returned to Houston in free agency.

Many have credited Beltran with having a big impact on Didi Gregorius, the shortstop who succeeded Derek Jeter and homered twice in the ALDS clincher, the Yankees’ 5-2 Game 5 victory Wednesday night after losing the first two games of

that series to Cleveland.

“I’m happy for him, and I’m also happy for Judge and Gary Sanchez and the younger guys. They have been able to go out there and perform,” Beltran said.

“I was the guy who provided that little bit of information for (Gregorius on adjustments). I don’t take credit for that. He’s the one who did it.”

Beltran has been in 58 career playoff games for five different teams.

He got to the World Series once, in 2013 with the St. Louis Cardinals when they lost to the Boston Red Sox in six games.

He was part of a seven-game NLCS loss with Houston in 2004 after being traded from Kansas City to the then-National League Astros during that season.

The only playoff game Beltran and McCann had with the Yankees was a loss to the Astros in the 2015 AL wild card game.

This is the sixth time McCann has gotten to the playoffs, the first time to a championship series.

The catcher spent his first nine MLB seasons with the Braves before going to New York in free agency after the 2013 season.

McCann said facing the Yankees in his first ALCS doesn’t make the experience any more special than it already is.

“Both teams are filled with some great young talent, so it’s going to be an exciting series,” McCann said. “It’s about two young teams that are both playing about as good as you can play.”

With a few older guys taking part in the fun.



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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**

DBAS requests proposals for financial audits and the related single audits for a period of three years, beginning with the audit of fiscal year 2017 through fiscal year 2019. Fiscal and calendar years are coincident at DBAS.

### DOCUMENT

Requests for proposal packet outlining requirements will be available for pick up at DBAS on Friday August 18, 2017 or emailing charmaine@dbas.as for information regarding the RFP. It can also be accessed through the DBAS website: www.dbas.as (click public notice)

The Request for Proposals (RFP) describes the specifications for the services to be provided in sufficient details to permit competition and allow the interested party to properly respond to the RFP.

This RFP is issued under Title 28, Chapter 1, of the American Samoa Code Annotated.

DBAS invites the submission of proposals to include pricing and other details as indicated in the specifications. Attachments will be provided as an aid in presenting a comprehensive proposal consistent with the requirements of DBAS.

DBAS will select a contractor who best meets the needs of DBAS. The factors for selection will include, but not be limited to the following: understanding of the requirements of the financial and single auditors; verifiable ability to perform well; good reputation; flexibility, including ability to respond quickly to needs of a small client in a remote location and throughout the year; and reasonability of costs.

The proposals will be reviewed by a committee consisting of representatives from DBAS management and board. The committee may request interviews with potential contractors after reviewing the proposals before the final selection is made.

Submission: Proposals must be received by DBAS no later than 2:00pm local time on October 30, 2017. They may be mailed or hand delivered in a sealed envelope to:

Development Bank of American Samoa  
PO BOX 9  
Attention: Charmaine Faleaana  
Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799

They may also be emailed to charmaine@dbas.as, as an attachment in Word Format with a confirming email required to confirm receipt; or faxed to DBAS at (684) 633-1163 with a confirming fax to confirm receipt. The original is to follow by airmail first class.

## In The High Court of American Samoa TRIAL DIVISION

HCCA No. 45-17

IN RE

**JEREMIAH S.T. TAGI**

*Petitioner*

## NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a petition has been filed in the High Court of American Samoa Territory of American Samoa by JEREMIAH SIAUMAU TAELEIFI TAGI of Tafuna. American Samoa born May 2, 1998 at LBJ Tropical Medical Center in Faga’alu, American Samoa. Petitioner is requesting the court approve a change of his legal name to JEREMIAH SIAUMAU TAELEIFI.

A hearing on the petition will be held on November 20th, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. before the Trial Division of the High Court of American Samoa at the Courthouse in Fagatogo, American Samoa. All interested parties may appear before the court on said date to respond to this petition.

**Date: October 2, 2017**

CLERK OF COURTS

Published: 10/6, 10/13 & 10/20/2017



## Trades & Technical Department

Apprenticeship & Workforce Development Training Program  
Related Technical In-Classroom Instruction  
Oct 16 – Dec 21, 2017 (10 Week Fall Session)

**Registration:**

Date: Oct 02 – Oct 13, 2017  
Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Registration Locations:**

Apprenticeship: TTD Office or Participant Sponsor (Employer)  
Workforce Development: TTD Office (Non-Traditional Students)

**Cost**

Registration Fee: \$40.00 (Non-refundable)  
Course (5 CEU): \$45.00 per CEU (\$225.00 per course)  
Total: \$265.00

**Placement Test (English & Math):**

Location: Adult Education Literacy and Extended Learning  
Date: TBA

**Enrollment Requirement:**

Apprentice: Must be employed in the respective area  
Workforce Development: Must be a high school graduate or equivalent

**Required English & Math Courses:**

A participant may be placed in a required English & Math Course pending Placement Test results. English & Math Courses are FREE courtesy of the AELEL Division (Adult Education), ASCC.

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AST 800	Introduction to Automotive Technology (Auto Technician)	5.0	M/W	5:00PM-7:30PM	J. Pouesi
CON 801	Plans, Building Codes and Specifications (Construction)	5.0	M/W	5:00PM-7:30PM	D. Faumui
ETP 860	Electrical Installation, Commercial (Electrician/Construction)	5.0	T/TH	5:00PM-7:30PM	T. Leiato
ICT 830	Computer Networking COMP TIA A + (IT Specialist)	5.0	T/TH	5:00PM-7:30PM	J. Martinez
WLD 810	Oxy/Acetylene Welding (Automotive/Welder/ Construction)	5.0	T/TH	5:00PM-7:30PM	O. Futi
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Ua sauni nei Onosa’i e fetau i Shannon McKenzie ia Oketopa 18, 2017.

# ON FOOTBALL: Some injuries hurt more than others

That’s the mantra heard throughout the NFL when players go down. It’s almost a tired cliché now because, in nearly every case, the next man up isn’t equal to the one who just left.

Oh, sure, folks can point to Tom Brady stepping in for Drew Bledsoe in 2001. That’s as rare as a smile from Bill Belichick.

Nothing positive results from NFL teams losing big stars to major injuries. No offense can be prepared to be without an Odell Beckham Jr. long term. No defense can have a true backup plan to replace a J.J. Watt.

Yet that’s what’s going on in far too many pro football cities. With only 16 regular-season games per team, opportunities to watch special on-field talents are limited enough. Then, when the vagaries of injury hit, the entire dynamic of a team changes.

It’s difficult enough when any starter goes down. When several do — particularly at one position, as hit the Giants’ receiving group or the Texans’ pass rushers — the chances of recovering are slim.

Even worse, perhaps, the attention paid to those teams by their fans severely diminishes. At least in Houston, there’s the excitement being created by rookie quarterback Deshaun Watson.

But that’s a lot of extra pressure to put on a youngster at that position; with Watt, Whitney Mercilus and the suspended Brian Cushing absent.

In the Big Apple, Giants fans are taking the approach Jets fans had heading into the season. They’re wondering if their team can lose enough games to secure a high enough draft pick to select a top prospect at quarterback for when Eli Manning is through.

And elsewhere in the nation, viewers are questioning why they are stuck with the mismatch of the Giants at the Broncos on Sunday night.

That’s what these types of significant, long-range injuries do.

“It’s unfortunate,” Texans coach Bill O’Brien says. “You feel for the guys when they get injured: J.J. (and) Whitney missing a year after all the time they put in.

“But at the end of the day there’s a big but there ... the train keeps moving. It’s not going to be one guy that takes their spot. It’s going to be multiple guys, it’s going to be schematic, it’s going to be a unified effort to make up for the loss of them, but it’s definitely something that you have to move forward with ...”

In other words, don’t do what longtime ESPN broadcaster Chris Berman used to always advise, and “circle the wagons.”

Except that the Giants don’t have much choice in what might be their most disappointing season since Bill Parcells left.

They had expectations of a second straight season in the playoffs, this time by winning the NFC East.

Generally, that was the outlook from outside the organization.

Who knew that a mediocre offensive line the team counted on improving would regress? That a defense with the potential to be dominant would become leaky, especially in crunch time? And then ... the injuries.

“It hit home while we were in a two-minute drive and I looked around and we had no one in the huddle,” guard Justin Pugh said of a recent practice. “Hats off to the tight ends for going out there and stepping up and going and probably running some routes they haven’t ran ever. We have guys playing the No. 1 receiver that’s normally a blocking tight end. Hats off to those guys.



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# Ego check: Sluggish Steelers offense not pointing fingers

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Le’Veon Bell chose his words like the Pro Bowl running back often chooses which hole to run through.

Carefully. Very carefully. Asked if he had any advice for Pittsburgh Steelers offensive coordinator Todd Haley on how to get the ball in the end zone more often for a unit that’s done little to live up to its own sky-high expectations, Bell faked one way and went another.

“I know what ya’ll want me to say,” Bell said. “Ya’ll want me to say, ‘Get me the ball.’ Look, I understand. I just want to go out and get the ‘W.’”

So do the other luminaries on Pittsburgh’s \$92 million offense. At the moment, it’s simply not happening for the Steelers (3-2), who play at unbeaten Kansas City (5-0) on Sunday trying to find something

resembling consistency and cohesion.

Both have been in short supply during an uneven start for a team that began training camp talking about being special but instead has looked decidedly ordinary, and occasionally ornery.

One week wide receiver Antonio Brown is flipping water coolers because Ben Roethlisberger couldn’t find him deep down the sideline.

The next Roethlisberger is throwing five picks, Bell is hinting the team needs to run it more, and Martavis Bryant is more decoy than deep threat.

To a man, the Steelers understand they have an embarrassment of riches on offense. Those riches, however, also have egos.

“Everyone wants the ball, that’s what got people to this level is their desire,” Roeth-

lisberger said before later adding “I’m not really worried about guys complaining about wanting the ball. We have a lot of guys that can make plays for us and we just need to make them.” Haley, who must come up with a plan that generates points while also placating the highest-paid wide receiver and highest-paid running back in the league, downplayed the idea there aren’t enough balls to go around. “We got an unselfish group, really,” Haley said. “I’ve said that a number of times. You’re going to see emotional reactions all the time in this game. We’ve got a group that wants to win and that’s what we need to do.” Scoring more would help. The Steelers are tied for 19th in scoring (19.8 points per game) and don’t rank in the top 10 in any major statistical offensive category.



Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger (7) talks with offensive coordinator Todd Haley during the second half of an NFL football game against the Minnesota Vikings in Pittsburgh, Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017. (AP Photo/Keith Srakocic)

## South Dakota school cancels homecoming after racist stunt

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota high school has forfeited its homecoming football game against a school from a nearby American Indian reservation and has cancelled its homecoming dance and parade after photos posted on social media show students destroying a car with “Go back to the Rez” painted on the side.

Sturgis Brown High School was scheduled to play Pine Ridge School, from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, on Friday. On Thursday, the Meade School Board voted 8-0 to cancel all remaining activities to avoid the potential that students could be put in danger, the Rapid City Journal reported.

Sturgis Principal Pete Wilson told The Associated Press that he learned of the posts Wednesday evening, saying the actions of a few reflect poorly on the school and that the situation “hurts the student body.”

“It’s the worst day I’ve ever had,” said Wilson, adding that discipline would occur “after we figure out everything.”

Superintendent Don Kirkegaard said: “I can’t defend those actions, but I can try my best to make sure it never happens again.” He said the district is working with police to determine who was responsible.

Pine Ridge Principal Michael Carlow commended Kirkegaard for taking responsibility and for his efforts to address the issue.

A photo shows people hitting a car with sledgehammers. The ritual used to be homecoming tradition but is no longer sponsored by the school, according to the newspaper.

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Roman Torres among  
MLS players booking  
World Cup spots

It was two very different nights for a pair of Seattle Sounders teammates.

While Clint Dempsey and the U.S. national team were stunned by the 2-1 loss to Trinidad and Tobago that knocked them out of a spot in next year's World Cup, Roman Torres celebrated on the field with Panama.

Torres scored the go-ahead goal in the 88th minute that gave Panama a 2-1 victory over Costa Rica and the nation's first-ever World Cup berth.

Dempsey, 34 was trying to make his fourth World Cup. The United States will miss out on soccer's premier tournament for the first time since 1986.

Even a defeat could have earned the Americans a berth, but only if Panama and Honduras both lost. And if the U.S. and only one of those rivals were beaten, the Americans would have finished fourth and advanced to a playoff next month against Australia.

Honduras defeated Mexico 3-2 and Torres got the game-winner for Panama to seal the Americans' fate. Panama's win was not without controversy: The team's first goal in the 52nd minute did not appear to cross the goal line.

Torres, 31, made his debut with Panama's senior national team in 2005 and has 103 caps. He's been key to the team during qualifying, scoring the late equalizer in a 2-2 draw with Honduras in June.

A sturdy 6-foot-2 defender, Torres was an integral part of the Sounders' championship season last year. A leg injury kept him out of the lineup until late August, but he quickly regained form as Seattle went undefeated in seven of their last eight regular-season games.

He is easily best remembered for the winning penalty kick against Toronto to give the Sounders their first MLS Cup.

Torres doffed his jersey following Tuesday night's victory as the crowd in Panama chanted "We are going to Russia!" The next day's cover of Mi Diario in Panama read "Gracias Roman!"

Panama President Juan Carlos Varela declared Wednesday a national holiday in the wake of the victory.

"This seemed like a dream, like a fantasy, but I never lost hope," Panama coach Hernan Dario Gomez said afterward.

In all, Major League Soccer has 73 different countries represented on its rosters. Twelve of those nations have either made the World Cup field or are still vying for a spot.

Panama has five other MLS players on its roster: Armando Cooper (Toronto), Fidel Escobar and Michal Murillo (Red Bulls), Anibal Godoy (San Jose) and Adolfo Machado (Houston).

"We knew that we couldn't

fail," Machado said. "Four years ago, we saw the world come crashing down on us and today we arrived with faith and conviction that we could do it."

Panama was knocked out of the 2014 Brazil World Cup with a 3-2 loss to the United States on the final day of qualifying.

Some of the league's other players that could head to Russia in 2018:

**COSTA RICA:** The country has a league-high nine MLS players that have appeared in 2017, more than any other national team. They are: Christian Bolanos and Kendall Watson (Vancouver), Francisco Calvo and Johan Venegas (Minnesota), David Guzman and Roy Miller (Portland), Ronald Matarrita and Rodney Wallace (NYCFC) and Marco Urena (San Jose).

Costa Rica was already assured of a spot in the World Cup field before the loss to Panama on Tuesday night.

**HOUSTON-HONDURAS CONNECTION:** Three players on the Houston Dynamo play for Honduras: Forwards Alberth Elis and Romell Quioto, along with midfielder Boniek Garcia.

Los Catrachos will face Australia in a two-legged playoff in November. Quioto made it possible with a goal in the 60th minute that would prove to be the game-winner over Mexico.

Garcia, meanwhile, is a veteran for Honduras, with 114 career caps.

**ANOTHER SOUNDER:** Attacking midfielder Nicolas Lodeiro was used as a reserve in Uruguay's 4-2 victory over Bolivia. The Uruguayans finished in second place in the CONMEBOL standings behind Brazil for a World Cup berth.

Additionally, Gustav Svensson plays for Sweden, which has yet to qualify.

**BROTHERS AND TEAM-MATES:** Giovanni and Jonathan dos Santos play for both the LA Galaxy and Mexico, which solidified its World Cup bid last month with a victory over Panama.

**FEEL-GOOD RETURN:** David Villa returned to Spain's roster for a match last month after a three-year absence from the national team. But he was not included for the team's final two qualifiers because of injury.

It remains to be seen if Villa will be included in preparations for Russia, but if he makes the final roster it will be his fourth World Cup.

"I've always said that I remained hopeful of returning," Villa told The Associated Press at Spain's training center in Madrid in September. "But I was realistic and I knew that it would be difficult considering all the quality forwards that were available to play for Spain."



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NOTICE is hereby given that ELIA TAVAI of UTULEI, American Samoa, has executed a LEASE AGREEMENT to a certain parcel of land commonly known as VAILOA which is situated in the village of UTULEI, in the County of MAOPUTASI, EASTERN District, Island of Tutuila, American Samoa. Said LEASE AGREEMENT is now on file with the Territorial Registrar to be forwarded to the Governor respecting his approval or disapproval thereof according to the laws of American Samoa. Said instrument names SAINI & VILIATA VELE as LESSEES.

Any person who wish, may file his objection in writing with the Secretary of the Land Commission before the 4TH day of DECEMBER, 2017. It should be noted that any objection must clearly state the grounds therefor.

POSTED: OCTOBER 4, 20167 thru DECEMBER 4, 2017  
SIGNED: Taito S.B. White, Territorial Registrar

## KOMISI O LAU'ELE'ELE

O LE FA'ASALALAUAGA lenei ua faia ona o ELIA TAVAI ole nu'u o UTULEI, Amerika Samoa, ua ia faia se FEAGAIGA LISI, i se fanua ua lauiloa o VAILOA, e i le nu'u o UTULEI i le itumalo o MAOPUTASI, Falelima i SASA'E ole Motu o TUTUILA Amerika Samoa. O lea FEAGAIGA LISI ua i ai nei i teuga pepa ale Resitara o Amerika Samoa e fia auina atu ile Kovana Sili mo sana fa'amaoniga e tusa ai ma le Tulafono a Amerika Samoa. O lea mata'upu o lo'o ta'ua ai SAINI & VILIATA VELE.

A iai se tasi e fia fa'atu'iese i lea mata'upu, ia fa'aulufaleina mai sa na fa'atu'iesega tusitusia ile Failautusi o lea Komisi ae le'i oo ile aso 4 o TESEMA, 2017 Ia manatua, o fa'atu'iesega uma lava ia tusitusia manino mai ala uma e fa'atu'iese ai.

10/13 & 11/13/17



Universal Crossword

Edited by Timothy Parker October 13, 2017

ACROSS

- 1 Major airline  
6 Some preliminary tests  
11 Didn't straphang  
14 Old theater name  
15 Sports venue  
16 School fund-raising grp.  
17 Long, drawn-out NBC game show?  
19 Not high  
20 Greenland air base site  
21 Dazzling virtuosos (var.)  
23 Lawyers in action  
26 Huge marine mammal  
27 Units of heat  
28 "Rain Man" disorder  
29 Data storage units  
30 Trigonometry function  
31 "For what \_\_\_ worth ..."  
34 Old radio teammate of Andy  
35 Made out  
36 State of agitated irritation  
37 Craving  
38 After-dinner fresheners  
39 Finnish sweatbox

- 40 Roma's land  
42 Winter road treater  
43 Lawmaking groups  
45 Most moist, as morning grass  
46 Certain football play  
47 Speak publicly  
48 Hereditary stuff  
49 Late March and April definitely, and often May  
54 Purchase  
55 Act in a melodramatic manner  
56 Freeze, as a window pane  
57 Bro's sib  
58 Mexican gentleman  
59 Very small  
DOWN  
1 "Oh no, stupid me!"  
2 Tokyo, once  
3 Romanian coin  
4 Puts on the rack, perhaps  
5 National songs  
6 Cries copiously  
7 "Fifteen Miles on the \_\_\_ Canal"  
8 Certain bill  
9 Brought to life on cels

- 10 Like some devilish cults  
11 Not that fast of a time unit?  
12 Make amends  
13 Leather strap for punishments  
18 Not theirs  
22 "\_\_\_ in victory" (elementary lesson)  
23 Like a contained enemy  
24 What limericks do  
25 Age slowly?  
26 Erato, Clio and Thalia, e.g.  
28 Heart artery  
30 \_\_\_ Major (southern constellation)  
32 Trident parts

- 33 Onset  
35 Title on a hard drive  
36 Striking feature  
38 Gets older  
39 Made sure  
41 Bluejacket  
42 Clothing closure  
43 Belgrade citizens  
44 Cause of yawning  
45 Salon apparatus  
47 Having knowledge of, as a scheme  
50 Stat finale, sometimes  
51 Kickoff aid  
52 Attila, for one  
53 Gatherer of intelligence

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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# EUGENIA LAST

THE LAST WORD IN ASTROLOGY

Friday,  
October 13,  
2017

Happy Birthday: Remain levelheaded and manage your responsibilities carefully. Only take on what you can handle and promise what you can deliver. Your numbers are 6, 17, 20, 22, 26, 32, 47.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Getting out with friends will do you good. The information you gather will give you better insight into new possibilities. Discover how you can best use your skills to improve your income. If you love someone, tell them.\*\*\*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Don't go overboard in order to impress someone at work. It's important to be true to yourself and to stay focused on what you can achieve for your own benefit, not someone else's. Refuse to let an emotional incident influence your productivity. \*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Downtime will do you good. Visit a spa or club that encourages you to relax and enjoy life. Once relaxed, you will find it much easier to come up with ideas and solutions that will bring about positive change. \*\*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Put a limit on your spending, entertainment and indulgences. Living within your means and focusing on saving will result in peace of mind. Romance doesn't have to cost money if you cozy up at home with someone you love. \*\*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** An emotional situation will escalate if you overreact or make promises you cannot keep. You don't have to give in to keep the peace, you just need to choose your words carefully and be sympathetic to others' opinions. \*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Too much of anything will turn into trouble. If you are too giving or agreeable, it will end up costing you. Avoid making impulse purchases or investing in something you know little about. Don't give in to unreasonable demands. \*\*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Pour your energy into something you love to do. Overreacting will set you back and lead to regret. Don't waste time trying to figure out what someone else is going to do when you should be concentrating on your next move. \*\*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Look at the logistics of any situation you face. Overreacting or taking on too much will be your downfall. A physical effort will bring good results. Don't make a move based on emotions. Wait until you feel less fragile. \*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You don't have to overspend to impress someone, and if you feel like you do, you should reconsider the connection. Offering intelligent advice and encouragement is all that's required to keep your relationship on solid ground. \*\*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Partnerships are best handled carefully. It's in your best interest to avoid someone who might be trying to coerce you into something questionable. Don't feel pressured to make a hasty decision or an unorthodox move. Do what's best for you. \*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Good fortune can be yours if you use the experience you have gained in order to get things done and forge ahead. Your progress will be regarded highly by others, but don't jeopardize your health trying to make an impression. \*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Put everything you've got into living up to your promises and your responsibilities. Knowing what's expected of you and being honest about what you can do will help build a stronger relationship with a peer or your boss. \*\*\*

# Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

CLERK GETS LESSON IN PRIVACY FROM OWNER OF A SERVICE DOG

**DEAR ABBY:** Yesterday I was in a retail store with my service dog. The clerk asked me what kind of service dog she was and I replied, "She's my service dog." She kept pressing me as to exactly why I have one, so I asked her if she was inquiring about my disability. When she said, "Yes," I politely informed her that federal HIPAA laws protect my right to privacy. She then said -- loud enough for everyone in the store to hear -- "I don't know what the big deal is. I just want to know what the dog does for you." Please let your readers know how to be around a person and their service animal:

1. You do NOT have the right to ask about the person's disability. To do so is rude. Most people prefer strangers not know their medical condition. The dog may be for PTSD, a hearing or seeing dog, or to alert the person to a medical emergency.

2. Children (and adults) need to understand that when service animals' jackets go on, the dogs know it's time to go to "work," and they take their job seriously. At that point, they are not pets and should not be treated as such. If a child rushes a service dog, the animal may react badly because it is there to protect its person.

3. You may ask to pet the dog, but don't assume it will be allowed. If given permission, the dog should be scratched under the chin ONLY.

Service animals know their place. It's a shame that most people are not as polite. -- **NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS**

**DEAR N.O.Y.B.:** Thank you for sharing this information. According to the Americans With Disabilities Act website (ada.gov): "Businesses may ask if an animal is a service animal or ask what tasks the animal has been trained to perform, but cannot require special ID cards for the animal or ask about the person's disability."

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been friends with a woman for the last 30 years. Our children are the same age. My daughter, who is in her late 20s, has a number of tattoos on her arm that she can cover with clothing if she chooses. However, she doesn't cover them often because she likes them and they mean something to her. Recently, I showed my friend a picture of my daughter that showed one of the tattoos on her upper arm. My friend said, "Oh, I am so sorry about the tattoo," and proceeded to cover the tattoo with her hand, implying that my daughter would be attractive if it weren't for the body art. I was shocked. I have always been supportive of my friend's children and have never criticized any of them, even though I haven't agreed with everything they have done. I was so hurt by her comment that I was speechless. I'm not sure I can continue the relationship feeling this way. But I'm hesitant to lose a 30-year friendship over something I might be overblowing. Am I being too sensitive? How do I resolve this? -- **COMPLETELY THROWN BY THIS**

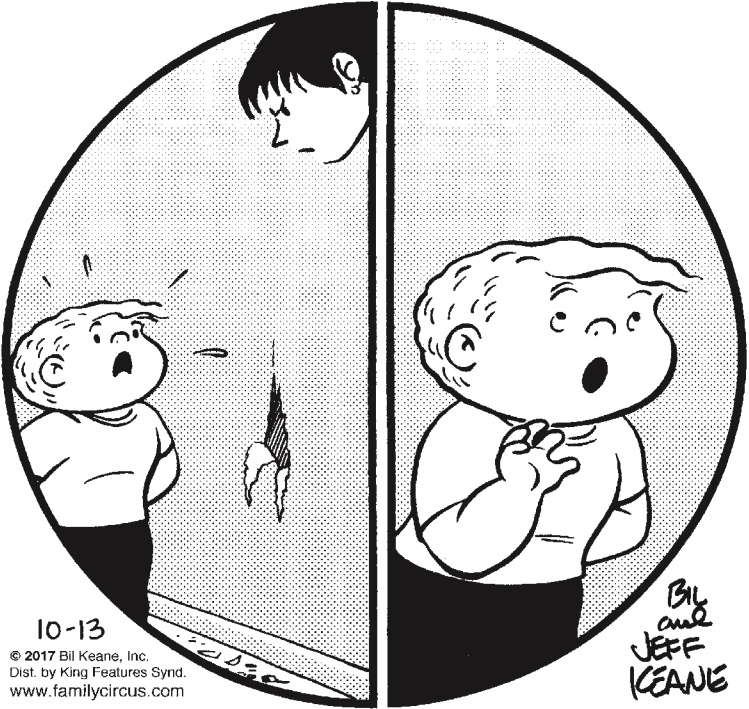
**DEAR THROWN:** For a friendship of 30 years to end over one thoughtless comment would be sad for both of you. Sometimes people say things without thinking, and this is an example. Resolve your feelings by talking to her in person and telling her how deeply hurt you were by what she said. It will give her the chance to apologize and make amends.

MY HOW TIME DEFIES By Timothy E. Parker

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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... sometimes my fingers  
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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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Wednesday's Puzzle Answer 10/11

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Panama's coach Hernan Dario Gomez, from Colombia, celebrates with his player Roman Torres who scored his team's second goal, after a 2018 Russia World Cup qualifying soccer match against Costa Rica in Panama City, Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017.

(AP Photo/Arnulfo Franco)

# Roman Torres among MLS players booking World Cup spots

It was two very different nights for a pair of Seattle Sounders teammates.

While Clint Dempsey and the U.S. national team were stunned by the 2-1 loss to Trinidad and Tobago that knocked them out of a spot in next year's World Cup, Roman Torres celebrated on the field with Panama.

Torres scored the go-ahead goal in the 88th minute that gave Panama a 2-1 victory over Costa Rica and the nation's first-ever World Cup berth.

Dempsey, 34 was trying to make his fourth World Cup. The United States will miss out on soccer's premier tournament for the first time since 1986.

Even a defeat could have earned the Americans a berth, but only if Panama and Honduras both lost. And if the U.S. and only one of those rivals were beaten, the Americans

would have finished fourth and advanced to a playoff next month against Australia.

Honduras defeated Mexico 3-2 and Torres got the game-winner for Panama to seal the Americans' fate. Panama's win was not without controversy: The team's first goal in the 52nd minute did not appear to cross the goal line. Torres, 31, made his debut with Panama's senior national team in 2005 and has 103 caps. He's been key to the team during qualifying, scoring the late equalizer in a 2-2 draw with Honduras in June.

A sturdy 6-foot-2 defender, Torres was an integral part of the Sounders' championship season last year. A leg injury kept him out of the lineup until late August, but he quickly regained form as Seattle went undefeated in seven of their last eight regular-season games.

He is easily best remembered for the winning penalty kick against Toronto to give the Sounders their first MLS Cup.

Torres doffed his jersey following Tuesday night's victory as the crowd in Panama chanted "We are going to Russia!" The next day's cover of Mi Diario in Panama read "Gracias Roman!"

Panama President Juan Carlos Varela declared Wednesday a national holiday in the wake of the victory.

"This seemed like a dream, like a fantasy, but I never lost hope," Panama coach Hernan Dario Gomez said afterward.

In all, Major League Soccer has 73 different countries represented on its rosters. Twelve of those nations have either made the World Cup field or are still vying for a spot.

Panama has five other MLS players on its roster: Armando Cooper (Toronto), Fidel Escobar and Michal Murillo (Red Bulls), Anibal Godoy (San Jose) and Adolfo Machado (Houston). "We knew that we couldn't fail," Machado said. "Four years ago, we saw the world come crashing down on us and today we arrived with faith and conviction that we could do it." Panama was knocked out of the 2014 Brazil World Cup with a 3-2 loss to the United States on the final day of qualifying. Some of the league's other players that could head to Russia in 2018:

**COSTA RICA:** The country has a league-high nine MLS players that have appeared in 2017, more than any other national team. They are: Christian Bolanos and Kendall Watson (Vancouver), Francisco Calvo and Johan Venegas (Minnesota), David Guzman and Roy Miller (Portland), Ronald Matarrita and Rodney Wallace (NYCFC) and Marco Urena (San Jose).

Costa Rica was already assured of a spot in the World Cup field before the loss to Panama on Tuesday night.

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