

# Warriors win Girls J-V soccer championship



The Tafuna Warriors' Girls Junior Varsity team, champions of their division after winning against the Samoana Sharks in the championship game that went to a penalty kicks shootout (5-4) to determine the winner after the game ended in a 1-1 draw. [FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio]



Frieda Vaaimamao, right, of the Tafuna Warriors receives her ASHSAA Girls J-V MVP award DOE's Liatama Amisone Sr. on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at Pago Park Soccer Stadium. [FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio]

By FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio

Teena Tei slotted in her team's 10th attempt of the penalty shootout to help the Tafuna Warriors clinch the ASHSAA Junior Varsity Girls' soccer championship against the Samoana Sharks on Wednesday, March 14, 2018.

20 players combined in the shootout that Tafuna won 5-4, after the game concluded in a 1-1 draw. Both teams went through their first five kicks tied at 2-2, and from then on they went to a 1-on-1 format for the penalty kicks that ended up going through the five remaining field players.

Defender Frieda Vaaimamao was named MVP of the championship game after putting forth a great performance. She came through with timely tackles inside the penalty box to negate Samoana attacks, and played an all around great game.

A few other Tafuna players performed great as well, such as Agnes Siaosi, who was relentless on attack, and goalkeeper Lorri Tago. Siaosi's many forays deep into Samoana territory helped lead to an own goal by a Sharks' opponent that tied the game in the first half. Tago was steadfast and calmly collected shots on target to keep the game at a standstill as Samoana dominated possession.

As the game's intensity increased, some players from both teams stepped up and performed great.

Samoana defender Lotomama Siatu'u matched Vaimamao with a great defensive effort. She was able to clear dangerous attacks or recover back to stop other promising attacks by Tafuna.

Both goals came in the first half of the game.

Reese Penitusi headed in a corner kick five minutes into the game's start, and it looked as if Samoana was setting the tempo of the game as they would continue to dominate after scoring that first goal.

Siaosi had a different opinion on that matter, and she showed it by being fearless on attack, using dribbling skills to her advantage during attacking runs inside Samoana territory. On one such attack inside the Sharks' penalty area, she blasted a shot parallel to the goal line that a defender inadvertently redirected into the back of the net for the equalizing own-goal.





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The American Samoa Department of Health Early Intervention Program “Helping Hands” would like to inform the public that the Annual State Application under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act as amended in 2004 for Federal Fiscal Year 2018 is available for public comment for a period of 60 days.

A copy of the document is available to review at the DOH Helping Hands Office located in the Lumana’i building in Fagatogo.

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Signed,

Ruth Te’o, DOH Part C Coordinator



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# ASNOC Sports Awards Gala is this Saturday

FIRST EVER AS SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES WILL BE NAMED

by Blue Chen-Fruean

Samoa News Correspondent

The inaugural American Samoa Sports Awards Gala has been pushed back to Saturday, March 31st at the Tradewinds-Equator Restaurant (poolside), hosted by the American Samoa National Olympic Committee (ASNOC), in partnership with GHC Reid and ASCO Motors Toyota.

According to ASNOC president Etisone Ed Imo, this is an island wide event, “open to recognizing athletes, coaches, officials, and organizations from all sports programs in American Samoa.”

An ASNOC Marketing/Events Commission meeting is set for this coming Thursday, March 22nd, at the ASNOC office inside the Veterans Memorial Stadium in Tafuna, to discuss the Awards Gala, and finalize the selected winners for

the 12 awards categories.

There will be 11 category winners, including the “2017 Athlete of the Year”. In addition to the awards presentation, the first inductees into the first American Samoa Sports Hall of Fame will also be recognized, “honoring them for their accomplishments, commitment, and sacrifices,” said Imo.

“The American Samoa National Olympic Committee is established as a non-profit organization, focused on identifying and training American Samoa athletes to represent American Samoa at the Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, Pacific Games, and the Pacific Mini Games. In addition, the ASNOC strives to promote the Olympic Values,” Imo concluded.

Questions regarding the event can be forwarded to the ASNOC office at 699-8356 or email <asnoc@asnoc.org>

## Florida State rallies to beat top-seeded Xavier in 2nd round

By The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — PJ Savoy made a 3-pointer with 1:08 left to give Florida State its first lead of the second half, and the Seminoles rallied from a 12-point deficit to beat top-seeded Xavier 75-70 on Sunday night in the second round of the West Region.

The Seminoles, on their way to the NCAA Tournament’s round of 16 for the first time since 2011, made Xavier the second No. 1 seed ousted in the first weekend, sending the Musketeers out along with Virginia. Now Florida State (22-11) will play fourth-seeded Gonzaga on Thursday night in Los Angeles.

Savoy also hit a pair of free throws with 21.6 seconds left putting Florida State up 73-70. Kerem Kanter shot an air ball from beyond the arc at the top of the key with 7 seconds to go for Xavier, and CJ Walker added a pair of free throws with 6.4 seconds remaining. Terance Mann picked off a long pass by Paul Scruggs off Xavier’s inbound pass before running in front of Seminoles’ fans to start the party.

### KANSAS STATE 50, UMBC 43

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Barry Brown scored 18 points, and Kansas State ended UMBC’s brief, but historic run in the NCAA Tournament.

Two nights after UMBC became the first 16 seed to beat a No. 1, the Retrievers ran out of magic against the Wildcats.

The Wildcats (24-11) move on to the Sweet 16 for the first time since 2010 when they lost in the Elite Eight to Butler. They will face Kentucky on Thursday night.

UMBC (25-11) had only had two field goals in the final six minutes and shot just 29.8 percent for the game.

UMBC’s scrappy defense forced 18 turnovers, but managed just three points off those. They finished 6 of 22 from 3-point range two nights after lighting up Virginia, and 9 of 18 from the free throw line.

### TEXAS A&M 86, NORTH CAROLINA 65

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — T.J. Starks scored 21 points and Texas A&M overpowered North Carolina inside, upsetting the reigning national champions to mark the second straight year a title holder missed the Sweet 16.

The seventh-seeded Aggies (22-12) did everything they had  
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# West Virginia gets better of in-state rival Marshall 94-71

By **TIM BOOTH, AP Sports Writer**

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Jevon Carter scored 28 points, Lamont West added 18 off the bench and West Virginia overwhelmed its in-state rival beating Marshall 94-71 on Sunday night in the second-round of the NCAA Tournament.

The Mountain State show-down more than 2,000 miles from home was a one-sided celebration for the fifth-seeded Mountaineers. Bigger, more physical and making fewer mistakes, the Mountaineers (26-10) took control with a 19-0 first-half run, and Carter's three 3-pointers in the first five minutes of the second half made sure there wouldn't be a rally coming from the 13th-seeded Thundering Herd.

West Virginia will face top-seed Villanova in the round of 16 next Friday.

Aside from his scoring, Carter was the leader of West Virginia's swarming defense that made the night miserable for the Herd. Marshall star Jon Elmore had more turnovers than points in the first half and was held to 15 points after scoring 27 points in the upset of Wichita State.

Ajdin Penava led the Herd (25-11) with 18 points.

The first meeting between the in-state rivals since 2015 when their annual series abruptly ended was a big enough event that West Virginia Governor Jim Justice flew out to watch the game in person. Wearing a blazer that was half dark blue and half green, Justice spent the first half on the West Virginia sideline and the second half with the Marshall cheering section. There wasn't much cheering from the Marshall fans as West Virginia led by as many as 31 in the second half.

But this was decided in the

first 20 minutes thanks to West Virginia's dominant run to take control. While Carter, West and their teammates were getting easy looks at the offensive end, Marshall became careless with the ball and missed a number of shots around the rim. After taking an 18-11 lead, Marshall missed six layups in the final 13 minutes of the first half and watched West Virginia surge ahead. Elmore was the most notable Marshall player to struggle with West Virginia's pressure finishing the first half with just three points — scored in the first 65 seconds of the game — and six turnovers.

West Virginia led 42-25 at the half and Carter's early 3s to start the second half ended any thought of a rally. Carter had 17 points in the second half.

### BIG PICTURE

Marshall: It wasn't 3-point shooting that was the problem. Marshall was 12 of 26 from deep, but just 10 of 30 on its shots inside the arc. The combination of turnovers and poor shooting inside the 3-point line was far too much to overcome.

West Virginia: The Mountaineers have been knocked out in the regional semifinals in each of their last two trips to the Sweet 16. West Virginia was eliminated by Kentucky in 2015 in a 39-point blowout and last year lost by three to Gonzaga. West Virginia has lost in the round of 16 in four of its last five trips there. The one exception was 2010 when the Mountaineers reached the Final Four.

### UP NEXT

Marshall: The Herd should again be contenders in Conference USA next year with all five starters returning.

West Virginia: The Mountaineers will face Villanova. West Virginia has faced Villanova just once in the NCAA Tournament in 1962.

# DeVoe, Clemson rout cold-shooting Auburn to reach Sweet 16

By **BERNIE WILSON, AP Sports Writer**

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Clemson isn't all about football.

The Tigers are pretty good at basketball, too, and are going to the Sweet 16 for the first time in 21 years.

Gabe DeVoe scored 22 points and Elijah Thomas had 18 points and 11 rebounds for Clemson, which closed the first half with a 25-4 run that helped it beat cold-shooting Auburn 84-53 on Sunday and advance to the Midwest Region semifinal.

"I think it's a statement game," Clemson guard Mar-

cquise Reed said. "I think we showed how hard we can compete defensively. I think it's a real good game for us moving forward."

In a matchup between Southern schools better known for football — Clemson won the national championship two seasons ago — the No. 5 seed Clemson Tigers proved far more adept on the hardwood than the No. 4 seed Auburn Tigers.

The blowout win put Clemson (25-9) into the Sweet 16 for the fourth time overall and the first since 1997, earning

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Marshall forward Ajdin Penava (11) defends as West Virginia guard Dexter Miles Jr. (4) drives with the ball during the first half of a second-round NCAA college basketball tournament game Sunday, March 18, 2018, in San Diego.

(AP Photo/Denis Poroy)



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# Davis leads Pelicans past Celtics 108-89

By **BRETT MARTEL**, AP Sports Writer

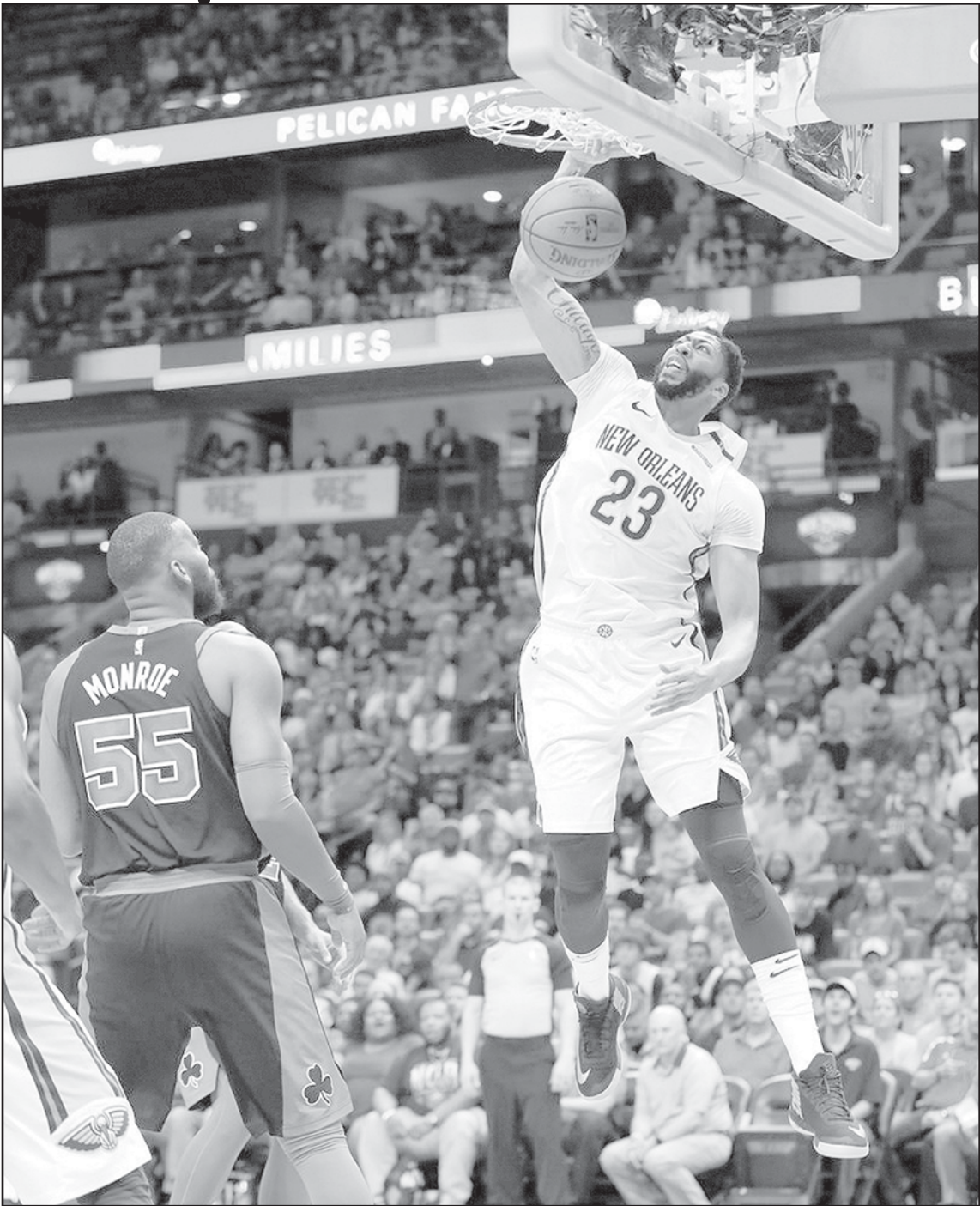
NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Anthony Davis picked up his dribble along the baseline and pulled up for a tough, 14-foot fallaway as he was fouled by Celtics rookie Abdel Nader.

As the shot fell through to cap another big night for the Pelicans' All-Star, the crowd rose to its feet and Davis exchanged high-fives with fans along the sideline before making his foul shot. It seemed a fitting punctuation to the type of performance New Orleans will continue to need to survive a tight Western Conference playoff race.

Davis had 34 points and 11 rebounds, and New Orleans beat banged-up Boston 108-89 on Sunday night.

"It was a good bounce-back game for us," Davis said, referring to New Orleans' 107-101 loss a night earlier to Houston. "A tough one last night, and then come in (against) the No. 1 defensive team and score on them, but then hold them to under 100."

Second-year pro Cheick Diallo had a season-high 17 points and fellow reserve Nikola Mirotic added 16 for New Orleans, which was desperate to win after dropping four of its



New Orleans Pelicans forward Anthony Davis (23) slam-dunks over Boston Celtics center Greg Monroe (55) in the first half of an NBA basketball game in New Orleans, Sunday, March 18, 2018. (AP Photo/Gerald Herbert)

previous five while in the thick of the Western Conference playoff race. The victory pulled the Pelicans into a tie with San Antonio and Utah for fifth, with Minnesota a half-game back in eighth.

Davis' crowd-pleasing fallaway with 3:35 left capped a 22-6, fourth-quarter run to blow open what had been a tight game for most of the first three quarters. Davis said contributions from reserves allowed the starters to get more rest and be fresh for that decisive run.

"We defended and then we were pushing the pace, got into the offense a little early and were able to make some plays," Davis said.

Davis also threw down his share of crowd-pleasing dunks, some of which were set up by lobbs from former Celtic Rajon Rondo, who finished with 11 assists.

Davis "dominated tonight," said Boston forward Al Horford, who was Davis' primary defender. "I'll definitely take the blame for that."

Jayson Tatum scored 23 for Boston, which has lost three of four and was playing its third straight game without either All-Star guard Kyrie Irving (sore left knee) or guard Marcus Smart (sprained right thumb). Marcus Morris scored 17 and Terry Rozier 13 for the Celtics, who scored only 13 points on 4-of-20 shooting in the fourth

quarter.

"For whatever reason, I thought we looked a step slow, but obviously, we are going to have moments where we struggle to score with this group right now," Celtics coach Brad Stevens said. "We also rushed some shots and then they got into that rhythm and got it going. (The Pelicans) have been a good offensive team all year and they were hard to stop."

#### TIP-INS

Celtics: Irving had been listed as questionable coming in, but coach Brad Stevens said the club doesn't want to push Irving to play through pain at this point and wants him closer to full health. ... New Orleans native Greg Monroe, who chose Boston over his hometown club when he was briefly a free agent this season, scored 12, his third straight game with at least that many. ... Horford finished with six points, less than half of his average.

Pelicans: F Solomon Hill made his season debut after recovering from surgery in August to repair a torn hamstring. He played eight minutes and finished with one assist. ... Shortly before tip-off, the NBA announced that Gentry was fined \$15,000 for criticizing officials after Saturday night's loss to Houston. ... Davis had his 80th career game with at least 30 points and 10 rebounds since joining the NBA in the

2012-13 season. ... G E'Twaun Moore scored 11 points.

#### TURNING POINT

The game appeared to change after Gentry was assessed a technical foul for a second game in a row after a three-shot foul was called against one of his players. On Saturday, it was Holiday defending James Harden. Against Boston, it was Ian Clark defending Nader. That gave Nader four foul shots, but he missed all four with Boston trailing 82-76 early in the fourth quarter. The crowd grew more boisterous with each miss.

New Orleans then quickly scored on Mirotic's hook shot. Minutes later, the Pelicans led by double digits and were pulling away.

#### RAISING THE ROOF

Diallo's production earned him almost 24 minutes in a reserve role and he made sure to enjoy it, celebrating with a raise-the-roof gesture after one dunk, and then crossing his forearms in the Wakanda Forever salute from the film "Black Panther" after another.

Veteran teammates seemed amused, although Holiday joked that his feelings were a little hurt after one dunk.

"I was mad. He ran by me," Holiday said. "I tried to give him a high-five, and he kept on doing the Wakanda sign."

#### UP NEXT

Celtics: Host Oklahoma City on Tuesday night.

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Toronto Raptors Kyle Lowry reacts after being fouled out of the game during second half of his team's 132-125 loss to the Oklahoma City Thunder during NBA basketball action in Toronto on Sunday, March 18, 2018.

(Chris Young/The Canadian Press via AP)



# IN THE COMMUNITY

(Photos: Evaga)



# Raptors' 11-game winning streak stopped by Thunder

By The Associated Press

TORONTO (AP) — Russell Westbrook had 37 points, 14 assists and 13 rebounds for his fifth straight triple-double, Steven Adams scored 25 points and the Oklahoma City Thunder beat the Raptors 132-125 on Sunday, snapping Toronto's winning streak at 11.

Paul George scored 22 points and Carmelo Anthony had 15 as the Thunder extended their winning streak to six.

DeMar DeRozan scored 24 points and Kyle Lowry fouled out with 22 points and 10 assists as the Eastern Conference-leading Raptors suffered just their sixth home loss of the season. Toronto is 29-6 at Air Canada Centre, the best home record in the NBA.

DeRozan, Serge Ibaka and Raptors coach Dwane Casey were all ejected in the final minute for complaining to the officials. DeRozan was incensed after not getting a call on his drive with 30 seconds left, and picked up two technicals in the following 22 seconds.

**ROCKETS 129, TIMBERWOLVES 120**

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — James Harden had 34 points and 12 assists, and Houston held off a fourth-quarter rally to beat the Minnesota Timberwolves for the Rockets' 26th win in 28 games.

The West's top team led by as many as 25 before the Timberwolves, holding on for dear life in a tightening playoff race, pulled within five in the fourth. The loss dropped the Wolves into the eighth playoff spot after they started the day in a three-way tie for fifth. Harden had 11 points in

the final 6:34, including a 3-pointer with 58 seconds left that effectively secured the win.

Jeff Teague led Minnesota with 23 points, Andrew Wiggins had 21, and Karl-Anthony Towns and Jamal Crawford each added 20. The Wolves got a burst of energy after a fourth-quarter scuffle between Gorgui Dieng, Paul and Gerald Green. Green was ejected for coming to Paul's defense after a frustrated Dieng pushed him down after a foul.

**PELICANS 108, CELTICS 89**

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Anthony Davis had 34 points and 11 rebounds, and the New Orleans Pelicans beat the banged-up Boston Celtics.

Second-year pro Cheick Diallo had a season-high 17 points and Nikola Mirotic added 16 for New Orleans, which was desperate to win after dropping four of its previous five while in the thick of the Western Conference playoff race.

Davis capped his night by hitting a baseline fallaway as he was fouled by Abdel Nader to make it 106-85 with 3:35 to go. The shot brought the crowd to its feet as Davis stumbled toward the sideline, where he exchanged high-fives with several fans before walking to the foul line to hit his foul shot. The play capped a 22-6, fourth-quarter run to blow open what had been a tight game for most of the first three quarters.

Jayson Tatum scored 23 for Boston, which has lost three of four and was playing its third straight game without either All-Star guard Kyrie Irving (sore left knee) or guard Marcus Smart (sprained right thumb).





Clemson forward Elijah Thomas, front, celebrates a basket with forward David Skara during the first half of a second-round NCAA men's college basketball tournament game against Auburn on Sunday, March 18, 2018, in San Diego.

(AP Photo/Denis Poroy)



Oregon's Satou Sabally, left, Minnesota's Kenisha Bell, center left, Oregon's Ruthy Hebard and Minnesota's Destiny Pitts, right, scramble for a loose ball during the first half of their second-round game in the NCAA women's college basketball tournament in Eugene, Ore., Sunday, March 18, 2018.

(AP Photo/Chris Pietsch)

## DeVoe...

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it a spot against Kansas in the regional semifinal.

It was a humbling end for Auburn (26-8), which played this season under the cloud of a federal investigation into corruption in college basketball.

The final 10½ minutes of the first half were a nightmare for Auburn, which made only 6 of 33 shots (18.2 percent) in the first half and 17 of 66 overall (25.8 percent).

"I really don't know where we lost our focus," Auburn guard Bryce Brown said. "All I can really honestly remember is they had a few stretches where they came down and knocked down shots and we had a few stretches where we came down and took kind of bad shots at times and that led to easy fast breaks for them."

Jared Harper made a jumper with 10:33 before halftime to pull Auburn to 18-15. The Tigers then missed their next 18 field goals as Clemson raced to a 43-19 halftime lead.

Clemson scored 17 straight points, highlighted by 3-pointers by Anthony Oliver II and DeVoe, to make it 35-15.

Chuma Okeke made two free throws for Auburn, but the Tigers still couldn't hit a field goal. They got two more free throws by Mustapha Heron with 1:20 to go.

Auburn finally snapped the drought from the field when Bryce Brown hit a 3-pointer 44 seconds into the second half. All that did was pull the Tigers within 21 points.

"I felt like they had a couple of good looks and they weren't able to knock them down," DeVoe said. "But we play well defensively like that. The easy looks don't go in all the time. I think pressure and our defensive intensity really bottled them up offensively."

The drought "was just bad for us early and it affected what we could do offensively and defensively," Auburn's Jarred Harper said.

"We just got away from playing offense together and playing defense together," Davion Mitchell said.

Heron and Bryce Brown scored 12 points apiece for Auburn and Horace Spencer had 10.

Reed added 16 for Clemson and Shelton Mitchell had 10.

The rout was so complete that Clemson subbed in two walk-ons for the final two minutes.

### QUOTABLE

"I don't know how long since we've been to the Sweet 16, but I know for a fact this won't be the last time," Oliver said. "We have a special group of guys, not only for this year but for next year and the year after that."

### BIG PICTURE

Clemson made 10 of 26 3-pointers. DeVoe made 6 of 9.

Auburn heads into an uncertain offseason. Assistant coach Chuck Person was indicted as part of a federal investigation that cost two of Auburn's best players their eligibility. Person was accused of accepting bribes to steer players to a financial adviser once they turned pro and funneling money to the families of Austin Wiley and Danjel Purifoy. Neither played this season.

### STATS

The 25 wins ties Clemson's school record. ... This was Clemson's largest margin of victory in the NCAAs. The previous largest was an 83-70 win against Saint Mary's in 1989.

### UP NEXT

Clemson plays top-seeded Kansas on Friday in Omaha.

## No. 2 seed Oregon advances with 101-73 win over Minnesota

By ANNE M. PETERSON, AP Sports Writer

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Sabrina Ionescu had 29 points, nine assists and seven rebounds and the second-seeded Oregon Ducks advanced to the Sweet 16 with a 101-73 victory over No. 10 Minnesota in the second round of the women's NCAA Tournament on Sunday night.

It was the 11th straight victory for the Ducks, who are headed to the round of 16 for the second straight season. Last year they went to the Elite Eight for the first time in program history.

Ionescu was just short of her second straight and 11th career triple-double. A sophomore, Ionescu holds the all-time NCAA record for triple doubles.

Fellow sophomore Ruthy Hebard finished with 22

points and 10 rebounds for the Ducks, who led by as many as 34 points. Ionescu went to the bench with 8:31 left in the game and Oregon up by 30.

With her fourth assist of the game, Ionescu broke the Pac-12 single season record of 278, set by Arizona's Brenda Pantoja in the 1995-96 season.

Carlie Wagner led the Golden Gophers with 20 points. Oregon's 101 points were the most Minnesota had given up all year.

The Ducks, who won both the Pac-12 regular season and tournament titles, were coming off an 88-45 first-round victory over No. 15 seed Seattle. Ionescu finished with 19 points, 11 assists and 10 rebounds in that game.

Minnesota beat No. 7 Green Bay 89-77 on Friday. Kenisha

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# FSU comeback and payback as Seminoles oust top-seeded Xavier

By **TERESA M. WALKER, AP Sports Writer**  
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Florida State senior Phil Cofer knows the biggest key to making any comeback, especially in the NCAA Tournament.

Don't get rattled. Now the Florida State Seminoles are on their way to the NCAA Tournament's round of 16 for the first time since 2011 after upsetting top-seeded Xavier with a furious rally.

PJ Savoy made a 3- pointer with 1:08 left to give Florida State its first lead of the second half, and the Seminoles rallied from a 12-point deficit to beat the Musketeers 75-70 on Sunday night in the second round of the West Region.

"Everybody kept their composure, and that's what you got to do in March Madness," Cofer said. "And I think we did it."

The Seminoles did just that when trailing by 12 with 10:42 left and outscored Xavier 31-14 down the stretch, including the final seven points of the game.

"We were much better than Xavier in the last two and a half minutes of the game," Florida State coach Leonard Hamilton said. "Sometimes when the games are close, that's all that's important."

They made Xavier the second No. 1 seed ousted in tournament's first weekend, sending the Musketeers (29-6) out along with Virginia. It's a painful ending for a team that returned four starters from a team that lost in the Elite Eight last year — to Gonzaga, the team Florida State (22-11) will play Thursday night in Los Angeles.

"Obviously, tough loss for our group," Xavier coach Chris Mack said. "Pretty emotional ending, the finality of what I think is the greatest sporting event in our country."

Senior guard J.P. Macura said he felt this was the best team he's played on.

"For us to lose this early, it just, it feels terrible," a quiet Macura said in the locker room.

Savoy also hit a pair of free throws with 21.6 seconds left putting Florida State up 73-70. Kerem Kanter shot an air ball from beyond the arc at the top of the key with 7 seconds to go for Xavier, and CJ Walker added a pair of free throws with 6.4 seconds remaining.

Terance Mann picked off a long pass by Paul Scruggs off Xavier's inbound pass before running in front of Seminoles' fans to start the party. After jumping around on the court and hugging, the jubilant Seminoles ran over to their fans in the stands and slapped high-fives.

This was sweet payback for Florida State after then-No. 11 seed Xavier routed the Seminoles 91-66 a year ago in the

very same round in the same region. Hamilton lost his top three scorers — two to the NBA Draft — from that team.

"Definitely ...," Cofer said. "I don't think anybody gets a chance to play them again two times in a year."

The Musketeers didn't get the chance to run away this time around after they took a 12-point lead. They led 56-44 with 10:42 left. But Xavier didn't score a field goal after Kanter's jumper with 3:56 left for a 68-66 lead. Mfiondu Kabengele scored his second straight bucket tying it up at 68 with 2:32 to go.

Scruggs hit two free throws with 1:49 left, and that was the last points for Xavier. The Musketeers turned it over three times after that, twice by star Trevon Bluiett.

Braian Angola led five Seminoles in scoring with 15 points.

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Xavier players react to a play, during the second half of a second-round game against Florida State, in the NCAA college basketball tournament in Nashville, Tenn., Sunday, March 18, 2018. (AP Photo/Mark Humphrey)



## American Samoa Government OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES



# 2018 WIOA SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM REGISTRATION

(The Department of Human Resources, Employment & Training, Division have available and limited slots for the Workforce Innovation Opportunities Act (WIOA), Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). The purpose of the SYEP is to provide academic, occupational skills and work experience for low-income individuals with barriers to employment.

To be eligible for the Summer Youth Employment Program, the applicant must be between the ages of 14-24 years old, unemployed and economically disadvantaged. The WIOA Workforce Center staff will be available to take registration at the Department of Human Resources, Employment & Training Division, A.P. Lutali Executive Bldg., 2nd floor in Utulei, on the following dates.

**Ages 18-24 can register from 9am - 4pm**

### SCHOOLS

Leone HS  
Fa'asao/Marist HS  
Nu'uuli Voc-Tech  
Kanana Fou HS  
Manumalo Baptist  
Pacific Horizon  
South Pacific Academy  
Open/All Other Schools

### DATE/TIME

March 19-20, 2018  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
March 21-22, 2018  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
March 23, 2018  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Saturday, March 24, 2018  
9am - 4pm  
March 26-27, 2018  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
March 28, 2018  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
March 29, 2018  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Friday (Holiday) & Saturday  
March 30-31, 2018 - 9:00am-4:00pm

### SCHOOLS

MANU'A  
March 19 - March 29, 2018  
TA'U  
March 20-23, 2018  
(Registration @ Manu'a High School,  
Contact Person: Ms. Foga Gaoa;  
Tel: 677-5901)  
OFU/OLOSEGA  
March 26-29, 2018  
(Registration @ Olosega Elementary;  
Contact Person: Ms. Foga Gara;  
Tel: 677-5901)

REGISTRATION AT: Department of Human Resources Employment & Training Division, 2nd Floor, AP Lutali Executive Building.

**DEADLINE FOR TA'U-MANU'A REGISTRATION: MARCH 29, 2018**  
**DEADLINE FOR TUTUILA REGISTRATION: MARCH 31, 2018**

Applicants must bring his/her birth certificate or passport, social security card and a copy of the 2017 Tax Refund of family members currently employed, receiving social security benefit, retirement check, etc, within their household. The required documents should on hand for registration.

For more information regarding the Summer Youth Employment Program Registration, please contact Ms. Grace Uiagalelei or Ms. Michelle Peko-Agaimalo at the WIOA Resource Center, Department of Human Resources at 633-4485.

Sincerely,

**Ms. Eseneiaso J. Liu, Director**  
Department of Human Resources





A Tafuna Warriors' player clears the ball away from a Samoana opponent during the championship game of the ASHSAA Girls' J-V division on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at Pago Park Soccer Stadium. [FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio]

# BLUESKY'S FUTURE OF AMERICAN SAMOA SCHOLARSHIP

We are proud to continue Bluesky's Future of American Samoa Scholarship Program again this year to provide educational opportunities to academically talented students from American Samoa who are pursuing a higher education either off island or at the Am. Samoa Community College.

## WE ARE OFFERING TWO TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS:

### AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

There will be up to two \$4000 scholarships awarded to students attending American Samoa Community College. The \$4,000 scholarship will be paid out over a two year period at \$2000 per academic school year assuming the scholarship recipient(s) satisfactorily meets the academic requirements at the end of each school year.

### OFF ISLAND

There will be up to two \$14,000 scholarships awarded to students attending an accredited college or university in the United States. The \$14,000 scholarship will be paid out over a four year period at \$3500 per academic school year assuming the scholarship recipient(s) satisfactorily meets the academic requirements at the end of each school year. If an ASCC student receives the off-island scholarship award, the scholarship amount would be \$7000 which will be paid out over a two year period at \$3500 per academic year.

Please obtain a Scholarship Information and Application packet for specific scholarship details. To obtain a Scholarship Information and Application packet, please visit our main Bluesky office located on the second floor of the Laufou Shopping Center or download it from our website: [www.bluesky.as](http://www.bluesky.as). Scholarship application due date is on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

For more information, please contact the Human Resources Department at 699-2759 or via email at [as.hr@blueskypacificgroup.com](mailto:as.hr@blueskypacificgroup.com).



## ► Florida...

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to do to hand the Tar Heels a rare loss in a home-state NCAA game. They dominated the glass. They used their size to control the paint and block shots. And they pounced when UNC's small-ball lineup couldn't make an outside shot.

Robert Williams finished with 13 rebounds, helping the Aggies take a 50-36 edge while shooting 52 percent — including 10 of 24 from 3-point range.

Joel Berry II scored 21 points in his final game for the second-seeded Tar Heels (26-11), who were trying to reach their third straight Final Four. But they ended up falling to 34-2 in NCAA games in their home state, the only other loss coming in 1979.

### PURDUE 76, BUTLER 73

DETROIT (AP) — Dakota Mathias sank a 3-pointer with 14.2 seconds left and second-seeded Purdue, minus star center Isaac Haas, held off 10th-seeded Butler to reach the Sweet 16 for the second consecutive year. The Boilermakers (30-6) led by as many as 10 points in the second half, but Butler (21-14) cut the deficit to two and had the ball in the final minute. Kalen Martin missed a 3-pointer, and the shot by Mathias at the other end made it 76-71. Martin scored with 2.1 seconds remaining, and P.J. Thompson missed the front end of a one-and-one, giving Butler another chance. The Bulldogs called a timeout with 1.8 seconds left, and Kamar Baldwin's shot from near midcourt hit the rim — although it may have been waved off on a review even if it had gone in.

Vincent Edwards scored 20 points despite early foul trouble for Purdue, and Matt Haarms filled in capably for the injured

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# Faila moliaga fa'asaga i pagota na sosola i tua mai le toese

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O le vaiaso na te'a nei na faila ai e le malo moliaga fa'asaga i ali'i pagota o lo o tu'uaia na sosola ese mai i le falepuipui i Tafuna i ulua'i masina e 2 ua mavae atu.

Mai le to'afa o pagota o loo tu'uaia na sosola i tua, e to'atolu pagota ua molia e le malo, ae o le isi to'atasi e le o manino poo afea e faila ai moliaga fa'asaga ia te ia.

O pagota e to'atolu ua molia e aofia ai Joe Togitogi, Joseph Iosefa Iakopo ma Ryan Pite. O le ali'i pagota e le i faila e le malo moliaga fa'asaga ia te ia o Timata Naea. O loo tu'uaia i latou nei e to'atolu i moliaga e aofia ai le sosola i tua mai le toese i Tafuna, atoa ai ma moliaga o le talepe fale.

E pei ona taua e le malo i le latou tagi, o le moliaga o le sola ese mai i le toese, na afua mai i le taimi lea o loo tuuaia ai i latou na o latou sosola ese mai ai i le falepuipui ao i lalo o le vaavaaiga a le malo. O moliaga o le talepe fale o loo afua mai i ni gaioiga sa tutupu i le taimi ao sosola ese ai i tua, lea e finau mai le malo sa o latou osofaia ai ni fale o ni aiga e ala i le ulufale fa'amalosi i totonu e aunoa ma se fa'atanaga fa'aletulafono.

O le aso Tofi o le vaiaso nei lea ua fa'atulaga e toe tutula'i ai i latou e to'atolu mo a latou ulua'i iloilogia, e iloilo ai e le afiga i le ali'i Fa'amasino ia Fiti Sunia pe lava mau a le malo e lagolago ai moliaga ua faia fa'asaga ia tei latou.

Afai e lava mau a le malo, ona tuuina atu loa lea o a latou mataupu i luma o le Fa'amasinoga Mauauga e fa'aauau ai a latou iloilogia ma le malo.

E pei ona taua i le tagi a le malo, e 2 solaaga eseese o loo tuuaia na auai alii pagota e to'atolu ua molia nei.

O le solaaga muamua na tula'i mai i le aso 13 Ianuari 2018, lea na aofia uma ai i latou e to'atolu ua molia faapea ai

ma le alii pagota o Naea. E pei ona taua e le malo, o le ali'i o Naea na muamua lava maua e Leoleo, sosoo ai Togitogi ma Pite na maua i luga o le mauga i Leloaloa, ae o le ali'i o Iakopo na fa'atoa maua i Nu'uuli.

O le solaaga lona lua na tula'i mai i le aso 5 Fepuari, lea na sosola ai i tua na o Togitogi ma Iakopo, e ala i lo la ootiina o fa'amalama u'amea o le potu na taofia ai i laua ma sosola ai i tua.

Na tau fai galulue uma se vaega e to'atele o Leoleo i le tau sailiina o alii pagota ia e to'alua, e ala i le faia o poloka i nofoaga eseese o le atunu'u, atoa ai ma le fa'atutu o ta'avale i soo se maga'ala e le gata i Satala, o Fagatogo ae faapea ai fo'i ma Nu'uuli.

O se fa'amatalaga na maua mai e Leoleo mai se tasi o molimau fa'atuatuaia, e fa'apea sa vaaia Iakopo i se vaega o Tualauta, na mafua ai loa ona aga'i atu i ai le sailiga a Leoleo, ma i'u ina maua ai Iakopo ma Togitogi i Fagaima.

O le vaiaso na te'a nei na faatoa tauaao atu ai ia Togitogi, Iakopo ma Pite kopi o a latou tusi saisi mai le Fa'amasinoga e aloaia ai le pu'e fa'apagota o i latou ma molia loa.

E le o se taimi muamua lea ua a'afia ai i latou nei e to'atolu i ni solaaga i totonu o le toese i Tafuna.

O le amataga o le masina nei na fa'asala ai e le Fa'amasinoga Mauauga ia Togitogi na te tuliina le umi e 3 tausaga i le toese, ina ua ta'usala o ia i le moliaga mamafa o le sola ese mai le falepuipui, e mafua mai i le fa'alavelave lea na tula'i mai i le 2016, lea na ia sola ese ai mai le toese i Tafuna ao tuli ai sana fa'asalaga.

O Pite ma Iakopo sa auai fo'i i laua i ni isi o solaaga ua mavae, lea e aofia ai le sola'aga na osofaia ai le lala o le Faletupe o Hawaii i Tafuna, sosoo atu ai ma le fale'aiga o le KFC ma le Pizza Hut i Tafuna lava.



Le susuga Misimoo Umi ma le pule a'oga Asenati Umi ma le faia'oga o le SPED i le aoga A. P. Lutali i Aunu'u i le toe taimi ua mae'a ai le Vaiaso o le SPED.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



O tina o lo'o galulue i le Scool Lunch Program i le aoga i Aunu'u, malo lava fai o le faiva, fa'afetai fo'i mo le tautua.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



O se va'aiga i le vasega 7 ma le 8 a le A.P. Lutali ma latou galuega fa'atino mo le Vaiaso o le SPED.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]





tusia: *Leua Aiono Frost*  
**POLOKALAMA SPED A.P.  
LUTALI ELEMENTARY  
- AUNU’U**

Mai le vaiaso atoa sa fa’atautaia ai le polokalama fa’ataoto a le SpEd i le a’oga tulaga muamua a A.P. Lutali i Aunuu, na fa’amae’a aloaia lea vaiaso i le aso Faraile i le sauniga e fa’alelea ai paluni o lanu eseese.

“O aso ta’iasi o le vaiaso mai i le aso Sa na faia ai le sauniga lotu, Aso Gafua amata loa ona fa’amalosia lanu eseese e la’eia e le fanau ma faia’oga, ina ia fa’amanatu ai i le fanau a’oga uma le vasega o Fanau Faapitoa ma latou mana’oga tupito o lo’o soifua ai. Fa’afetai lava aua e va’aia lava le sapaia faatasi e le fanau a’oga, faia’oga ma le vasega o matua o lenei taumafaiga,” o se tala lea a le susuga Misifoa Umi, le Resource Specialist a le SPED i le aoga i Aunu’u.

Ona o paluni e ao ina fa’alelea ese i lea ituaiga taimi ma faia ai le latou ‘aiga fa’apitoa e fa’amae’a ai le polokalama, o se aiga na saunia e le vaega o faia’oga ma ta’ita’i o le SPED e fa’afetaia ai fo’i le galulue fa’atasi uma o le pulega, faia’oga ma fanau a’oga i le vaiaso atoa na atofa mo lea fa’amoemoe.

O tusiga o saina po’o Lau-papa fa’asalalau e fa’ailoa ai le manulauti tau’ave o lenei tausaga ina ia fa’amanatu pea i le fanau a’oga ma faia’oga, e fa’ataua fanau fa’apitoa i lona sini “Ua Tatou Omai Fa’atasi”, sa faatautaia mai fo’i i le vaiaso atoa.

Va’aia le matagofie o lea vaega o le fa’aaliga, ma ua galulue fa’atasi vasega ta’itasi ina ia mautulaga a latou Posters po’o Fa’ailo mo le Autu ua

mae’a filifilia.

“O le taumafaiga i lenei tausaga, e to’a 9 i latou o le fanau fa’apitoa o lo’o a’o’oga fa’atasi ai ma vasega eseese i le A.P.Lutali Elementary, ma ua matua finau fo’i le fanau a’oga ma latou faia’oga ina ia mautulaga a latou Fa’ailo,ae o le aso Faraile lava e fa’ailoa mai ai le tulaga o lea tauvaga, la’ei ai le ofu pa’epa’e e tagata uma, ma fa’alelea ai loa paluni felanulanua’i ma tapunia aloaia ai le fa’atofala’iga o lenei fo’i tausaga.”

O le tama’ita’i Pule A’oga, Asenati Umi, sa fa’afetaia le fanau aoga, faia’oga ae maise le to’atele o matua sa auai mo le fa’amoemoe mulimuli o le SPED.

“O le auau o le fa’amoemoe maualuga o le DOE, ia tatou galulue fa’atasi e manuia ai mea uma! Peita’i po’o le a lava fo’i le tele o ni mana’oga fa’apitoa o le fanau o soifua ma i latou, afai tatou te galulue fa’atasi ina ia fesoasoa i atu ia i latou, e faigofie fo’i ona latou ola fa’atasi ma i tatou. Fesoasoani atu, ina ia gafatia e i latou ona tau’ave mana’oga fa’apitoa nei. Fai sau vaega lelei, mo lo latou fa’amoemoe e soifua fa’apei o i tatou uma!”

O le saunoaga a Misimoa Umi e fa’afetaia le a’oga ma matua fo’i ona o le fesasoani sa latou ofoina atu mo le fanau fa’apitoa, ua gafatia ai ona ola fiefia i latou i aso ta’itasi ma fiefia e fa’atasi atu pea i a’oa’oga.

Sa auai fo’i le Peresetene o le PTA mo le sapaia o mea uma e faia i le lotoa a le Laumua, ma sa ia fa’ailoa ai, “E to’alaiti lava si matou a’oga, ae fa’afetai e le masepu lava se polokalama e fa’atino uma lava tiute

o ali’i ma tama’ita’i faia’oga, ma e ese fo’i le matagofie o lea polokalama e fa’atino ai le alofa moni i fanau o lo’o soifua ma mana’oga fa’apitoa. E le faigofie mo i latou, ae a tausoa fa’atasi o latou mana’oga, ona maua lea o se to’omaga ma o le a fa’afiafiaina lava i latou e mafuta mai i le a’oga.”

**TALOSAGA AVANOA FAI-GALUEGA TAMAITI AOGA I LE SUMMER**

Ua amata ona fa’avasega taimi ma aso e talosaga atu ai fanau i ni avanoa mo galuega i le vaitau mafanafana i le le tu’uaga o a’oga.

Ua fa’alauiloa i se fa’asalalauga tausaga e afua mai le 14 se’ia o’o i le 24 tausaga o le fanau e mafai ona gasolo atu i le Ofisa o Tagata Faigaluega a le Malo (DHR) ina ia fa’atumu talosaga. Peita’i o fanau e 18 -24 tausaga le matutua e amata ona fa’atutumu talosaga mai le itula e 9:00 se’ia o’o i le 4:00 i le afiafi.

O le fa’atulaga o aso mo talosaga: Mati 19-20 e auai atu ai i Leone High School, ma ua i ai fo’i sui i Manu’a mo le fa’atutumuga o pepa talosaga mai le Manu’atele mai ia Mati 19 se’ia o’o ia Mati 29, 2018. O Ofu ma Olosega ia Mati 26-29, 2018. I le aso 19 - 20 Mati, o le a auai atu ai fo’i sui DHR i le A’oga Maualuga a Fa’asao Marist High mai le itula 3:00-6:00pm.

I le Nuuuli VocTech High o le a i ai sui mai ia Mati 21-22, ae o le itula 3:00 - 6:00pm o le a auai atu ai ia Kanana Fou High i aso lava ia. Manumalo Baptist lea ua fa’avasega le DHR e o’o atu i ai mo Mati 23 -24, ae o le Pacific Horizon ma le South Pacific Academy lea e o’o ane i ai i latou nei i le itula 3:00-6:00pm i aso lava ia.

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# Vevela felafolafoaiga i le va o Faipule o le Maota o Sui

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Na fai si vevela o felafolafoaiga i le va o ni isi o afioga i Faipule o le Maota o Sui i le vaiaso na te’a nei, ina ua fa’auilavea Faipule ali’i ao saunoa se tasi o Faipule tama’ita’i e fa’aleo lona finagalo i mataupu e fa’atatau i lona itumalo.

I le alia’e mai ai o felafolafoaiga i le va o afioga i faipule, na saunoa ai loa le faipule tama’ita’i e fa’apea, e tutusa uma lava faipule na filifilia o latou itumalo e fa’aleoina mataupu e manuia ai tagata palota ta’ito’atasi. E le gata i lea, sa ia taua fo’i e fa’apea, e leai se malosi o le isi faipule e fa’atonu ai le isi faipule i ituaiga mataupu e ao ona ia talanoa i ai.

O felafolafoaiga i le va o faipule o le maota, na tula’i mai ina ua fa’auilavea le afioga a Vailoata Eteuati Amituana’i ao saunoa le tama’ita’i faipule ia Vui Florence Saulo e talosagaina se avanoa mo se iloilogaga ma le Failautusi o le Ofisa o Mataupu Tau Samoa, e fa’atatau i le mana’omia lea o se Pulenu’u mo le afioga o Tafuna i totonu o le itumalo o Tualauta.

Saunoa Vui e fa’apea, o asiasiga i aiga o le itumalo sa pagatia i le afa o Gita e pei ona mavae atu, ua atagia mai ai le mana’omia o se Pulenu’u mo Tafuna, e fesoasoani i tagata faigaluega a le malo aemaise le Feterale mo le tuuina atu lea o fesoasoani tatau mo tagatanu’u. Na taua e Vui lona popole ina ne’i avea le leai o se Pulenu’u o Tafuna ma auala e le maua ai e aiga uma tautua ma fesoataiga e moomia mo fesoasoani tatau o le ‘afa.

Na tula’i Vailoata ma fa’auilavea ma saunoa e fa’apea, o le mataupu o le Pulenu’u mo Tafuna e pei ona saunoa i ai Vui, e le o se mataupu lea e talanoaina i totonu o le maota, ae o le mataupu e fitoitonu lava i afioga ma itumalo. Sa ia taua fo’i e fa’apea, e foliga mai o le a toe alo i tua galuega a le maota pe afai ae toe talanoaina lenei mataupu, ona o se tasi lea o mataupu ua uma ona sasa’a i ai le fa’autaga a le maota.

Na toe tula’i Vui ma saunoa e fa’apea, e le sa’o le saunaoga a Vailoata, ona e le i talanoaina lava i totonu o le maota le mataupu mo se Pulenu’u a Tafuna.

Na vave ona saunoa le Sui Fofoga Fetalai ia Fetu Fetui Jr ma ia taumafai e fa’ato’a filemu le mataupu i le va o Faipule e to’alua. Ina ua mae’a, sa fa’aauau loa le saunoaga a Vui e ala i lona talosagaina o se iloilogaga ma le Faatonusili o Galuega Lautele a le malo, mo le talanoaina o le mataupu e fa’atatau i le fa’atafeina lea o le suavai i luga o le auala i le taimi o le ‘afa o Gita.

Na tula’i le afioga a Faimealelei A. Fu’e Allen ma faauilavea i le saunoaga a Vui ma ia taua e fa’apea, e lagona lona fa’anoanoa i le saunoga pea o Vui ao lea ua mae’a ona saunoa le Ta’ita’i o le maota.

Saunoga Faimealelei e fa’apea, o ia o se tasi o sui e tautala soo i le maota, ae o le taimi lava e saunoa ai le ta’ita’i, ona muta ai fo’i lea iina ma sona lagona e toe fia fa’asoa.

Na tula’i le afioga i le ali’i faipule ia Lavea Fatulegae’e Palepoi Mauga ma saunoa e lagolago ai le saunoaga a Vailoata, i le le talafeagai lea ona talanoaina e le maota o le mataupu a

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O le vasega ono i le A. P. Lutali ma le latou faia’oga o Aubri, ma latou posters na tapena mo le SPED.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



► Tala i Vaifanua...

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Aso 24 Mati, o le a tatala lea avanoa mo so’o se tamaititi i so’o se a’oga ua misia le avanoa sa o atu ai sui i a latou a’oga o i ai. O le itula e 9:00am se’ia o’o i le 4:00pm i lea aso e mafai ai ona fa’atutumu a outou talosaga i le Ofisa Autu o le DHR i le EOB Maota o le Malo i Utulei.

Mo le fanau a’o’oga i Tafuna High ua fa’atulaga ia Mati 26-27 ae o’o atu sui nei ia Iakina Academy i le itula e 3:00 - 6:00pm i aso lava ia. Fagaitua High School mo Mati 28, mai le 3:00-6:00pm ma Samoana High School ua fa’atulaga mo Mati 29, mai le itula e 3:00 se’ia o’o i le 6:00 i le afiafi lava.

Ona soso’o lea ma le isi aso fa’agafua mo nisi fanau e le’i maua se avanoa e talosaga ai ia Mati 30-31mai le itula e 9:00am se’ia o’o i le 4:00pm.

O mea e ao ina taua’aoina, e aofia ai le Pepa Aso Fanau, SSN ma kopi o ni siaki a le tagata faigaluega i totonu o le aiga fa’atasi ai ma ni kopi o siaki a le saogalemu a nisi o maua na alamanuia i totonu o lou aiga, fa’atasi ai ma kopi o tax a i latou e faigaluega o le aiga atoa.

**FA’ATUPEGA O POLOKETI**

**FESOASOANI TAUGATA O LE ELETISE:**

Ua maua e le DOI se vaega tupe e mafai ona talosaga atu ai nisi o Matagaluega, Pulega Tumaoti ma le Malo, ma A’oga e fa’atula’ia ai poloketi e fesoasoani i le taugata o le eletise i lenei vaiata.

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Bridge collapse: Seconds separated those who lived and died

By ADRIANA GOMEZ LICON, JENNIFER KAY and CLAIRE GALOFARO, Associated Press

MIAMI (AP) — They had just finished up lunch, and set off to run a humdrum errand: a drive to the travel agency to pick up airline tickets for their annual visit to their beloved homeland Cuba.

Osvaldo Gonzalez and Alberto Arias, friends and business partners, happened to pass under a Miami bridge that Thursday afternoon, the road bustling with fellow drivers also out on the most ordinary and unthreatening of life’s tasks.

A teenager was driving her friend to the doctor’s office to pick up some medicine. A father of three was heading home from work. A woman on her way to a nail salon was stopped at a red light. Seconds — inches — would soon separate those who would live from those who wouldn’t.Sweetwater police Detective Juan Llera was at his office a few blocks away, when he heard what he thought was a bomb exploding.

It was not a bomb; it was a bridge, a structure every American has passed under hundreds of times. But in an instant, this 950-ton span under construction at the Florida International University collapsed, and with no time to act or to flee, the cars that just so happened to be below it were pancaked under the rubble. Six people died.

“Imagine,” said Amauri Naranjo, who has known Gonzalez since before he left Cuba in the 1980s, “a longtime friendship that survives even with the sea between us, and it ends

because of something like that.”

Gonzalez and Arias, who together owned a party rental and decoration business, were among the dead. Their bodies were found Saturday inside their white Chevy truck as rescuers for days painstakingly dug through the debris of the fallen pedestrian bridge at Florida International University. Hope for a miracle rescue faded as the names of the six dead became known, and those left living grappled with the senselessness, the suddenness of it.

Many others had been saved by mere seconds.

Dania Garlobo was driving to work at a nail salon when the green light changed to yellow and a man in a white Mercedes tried to make it through the light, but stomped on the brakes just as the bridge fell in front of him.“He was almost caught underneath. I couldn’t believe it,” Garlobo said. She watched the bridge smash into the street below in what seemed like an instant.“How is it that a strong bridge falls down like a piece of board?”Llera had sped to the scene, arriving within minutes. In the mayhem, he found a man lying unconscious on the street and started performing CPR. He could barely feel a pulse, but someone with the medical staff from the university came by and said, “you are keeping him alive. Keep going.” And so he did, and the man was alive when they rushed him away.

Llera checked in at the hospital but could get no information. He thought the man had lived. He’d hoped they could shake hands one day.

But on Sunday morning, he studied a picture on the news of a young man in a crisp red shirt.

He has been identified by police as Navarro Brown, a 37-year-old employee with Structural Technologies VSL, listed among those killed. He had died at the hospital.

“I feel like the bad guy won this time,” the officer said as he processed the news Sunday afternoon.

The families of the dead and the injured asked for privacy as they try to make sense of their sudden, inexplicable loss.

“It’s a pretty magical thing to find your soul mate in this world,” Brandon Brownfield’s wife, Chelsea, wrote on Facebook on Sunday. “Like pieces to a jigsaw puzzle, our crazy curvy edges matched and we fit together like no one else could.”

The Brownfields had three young daughters, and the family moved to Florida several years ago for his job at Maxim Crane Works, according to a fundraising page a friend started for the family that had raised more than \$50,000 in a few days. He was driving home from work when the bridge collapsed.

“I now have to find the words and the answers to tell my girls that their DaMonday, March 19, 2018 is not coming home,” his wife wrote on Facebook.

Investigators are still trying to figure out what caused the bridge to crumble. Cracking had been reported in the concrete span in the days before and crews were performing what’s called “post-tensioning force” on the bridge when it flattened onto the busy highway.

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# Butler targeting return to Timberwolves before end of season

By DAVE CAMPBELL, AP Sports Writer

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Jimmy Butler could return to the court for the Minnesota Timberwolves before the end of the regular season, if he continues to stay on track with his rehabilitation from surgery on his right knee.

He’s predictably having a hard time sitting and waiting.

Butler spoke to reporters Sunday for the first time since the meniscus injury he suffered Feb. 23 at Houston , confirming an initial recovery estimate of four to six weeks after the Feb. 25 procedure. Even on the long end of that timetable, he’d likely have two games with the Timberwolves before the postseason.

That’s if they hang on to their spot, of course, but Butler said he’s confident that will happen. He expressed an equal amount of faith in his ability to heal in time.

“I can’t give you the exact date, but I want to come back and I want to help,” said Butler, who sat courtside during the 129-120 loss Sunday to the Rockets in his first appearance on the bench since he was hurt.

Wearing a black sport coat with, yes, gray sweatpants, Butler was on his feet often to shout encouragement to his teammates and even did some dancing during a timeout down the stretch when the Wolves had pulled within five points during their spirited comeback. The defeat, though, dropped them into eighth place in the Western Conference with a game Tuesday against the ninth-place Los Angeles Clippers.

“I have a little bit of time left, but I know my guys are going to stick this thing out and do what they’ve been doing, keep us in this race,” Butler said. “And when I come back, we’ll see what we have left in the tank.”Butler has been able to do some running and shooting, with what he called an important week ahead in the rehab process.“I just want to play. I feel like I’ve done this long enough to know that I can still go out there and make something happen,” Butler said. “Now, I promise you I’ll be out of shape. I promise you that. But just getting out there and getting back in a rhythm of things, that’s going to come natural.”

The affable four-time All-Star, whose arrival before the season has not only lifted the Wolves offensively and defensively but given them a needed dose of tenacity, acknowledged that his knee felt worn down in the weeks leading up to the injury. He’s averaging 37.1 minutes in 56 games, the second-most in the NBA.

“I can’t say I know it was coming, but I knew that my knee was sore. Hints, things that happened, before I went down,” Butler said. “Everybody had something to say about it, but like I said before, I know my body better than anybody.”

Would he have preferred to reduce his workload, in hindsight? No.“You have to risk it for the biscuit,” Butler said, “and that’s what I’m about. I’m not one to sit out if I can play. I want to compete, to show that I’m one of the better players to do this. I’m here for a reason. I want to help my team win.”

## ► No. 2...

Bell had 24 of her 26 points in the second half as the Gophers rallied from 10 points down at halftime.

Minnesota came into the tournament with an average of 85.2 points per game to lead the Big Ten and rank third nationally — behind only UConn and Baylor. The Golden Gophers were making their first tournament appearance since 2015.

Oregon jumped out to a 21-13 lead after Ionescu’s corner 3-pointer. She got a layup as the shot clock expired and a free throw to put the Ducks up 30-22 at the end of the first quarter. Ionescu led all scorers in the period with 13 points.

Hebard’s layup gave the Ducks a 41-31 lead. Ionescu feel to the floor but somehow nailed a 3-pointer at the buzzer to give the Ducks a 51-36 lead at the break. She went into the half with 22 points.

Lexi Bando’s 3-pointer pushed the Ducks’ lead to 39-62 in the third quarter.

**BIG PICTURE**

Minnesota: The Golden Gophers have faced the Ducks just once before, in the 1979 WNIT. Oregon won, 85-74. ... Minnesota’s best finish in the tournament was a run to the Final Four in 2004. ... Minnesota’s 24 wins this season were its most in 13 seasons.

Oregon: The Ducks pushed their total wins this season to 32, a record for coach Kelly Graves. ... Oregon was making its second straight tournament appearance and 14th overall. ... Bando played her last game at Matthew Knight Arena. ... Oregon governor Kate Brown was at the game.

**UP NEXT**

The Ducks will travel north to Spokane to face the winner of Monday’s game between third-seeded Ohio State and No. 11 Central Michigan in Columbus, Ohio. The Buckeyes beat George Washington 87-45 on Saturday, after Central Michigan upset No. 6 LSU 78-69.

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## ► FSU...

inoles in double figures with 16 points. Trent Forrest added 13, Savoy finished with 11, and Cofer and Mann each had 10.

Macura led Xavier with 17 points, Kerem Kanter had 15 and Scruggs had 11.

**BIG PICTURE**

Florida State: This will be just the fifth Sweet 16 appearance for the Seminoles and second under Hamilton. ... The

Seminole had lost their first two games against No. 1 seeds in the NCAA Tournament, losing to Kentucky in 1980 and 1993. They also beat Xavier for the first time in three tries.

Xavier: The Musketeers had been 23-1 when allowing less than 80 points. ... Macura fouled out with 2:06 to go, and Bluiett finished with just eight points and five turnovers. It was

just his third game all season in single digits.

**UP NEXT**

Florida State: Gonzaga in Los Angeles.

Xavier: Mack will have to replace Bluiett, Macura and Kanter. But Mack noted Xavier has graduated 105 seniors dating back to 1985-86 and will be back.

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# Harden scores 34 as Rockets hold off Timberwolves 129-120

By ANDRES YBARRA, Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — For the Houston Rockets, finally facing a challenge from Minnesota and a hostile crowd on the road was a good test to prepare for the postseason.

The Timberwolves, meanwhile, are left holding on for

dear life in a tightening playoff race.

James Harden had 34 points and 12 assists and helped the Rockets fend off a fourth-quarter rally and beat the Timberwolves 129-120 on Sunday night. The win was Houston’s 26th in 28 games, and it dropped Minnesota into the eighth playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Houston led by as many as 25 before the Wolves, who started the day in a three-way tie for the West’s fifth spot, pulled within five in the fourth. Harden had 11 points in the final 6:34, including a 3-pointer with 58 seconds left that effectively secured the win.

“It’s good for us, man,” Harden said. “We needed it. We needed to be in games like that. Obviously, having a big lead and losing it, we can’t let it happen, but if it does we’ve got to make sure we can keep our composure and get a good shot every time.”

Just another day for the West’s top team, which also got 16 points apiece from Chris Paul and Clint Capela.

“We get a little stagnant here and there, but we’re figuring it out,” Paul said. “We haven’t played too many close games all season long, so down the stretch we need that stuff.”

If these two teams do end up facing each other in the first round, the Wolves will need a much more consistent effort.

“We put ourselves in too big of a hole, you can’t do that,”

said coach Tom Thibodeau, who bemoaned his team’s lack of intensity in the first half. “With where we are right now, the fight has to be greater.”

Jeff Teague led Minnesota with 23 points, Andrewiggins had 21, and Karl-Anthony Towns and Jamal Crawford each added 20.

“I know for me personally, I don’t look at it every day because it’s going to change 10 more times before the season is over with, and you’ll drive yourself crazy,” Crawford said of the playoff standings. “Especially when you can kind of control your own destiny. If you do what you have to do, you don’t have to worry about what everyone else is doing.”

The game was seemingly over by halftime. Houston shot 63 percent, hit 11 3-pointers and led by as many as 24 in the first half while turning the ball over only three times. Harden had 10 assists in the first half, when the Wolves were as close as three before Houston reeled off a 12-0 run and didn’t allow Minnesota to recover.

Minnesota’s 19-6 run made it 115-110 with 3:58 to play before Trevor Ariza hit a 3, and the Rockets were able to answer every Wolves bucket to hold off the rally.

“We’ve got a team that’s fighting for positioning in the playoffs, and they’re going to come back and they’re going to make a run,” Harden said. “We

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Happy Birthday: Look for an opening. If you continue to bang on doors that are closed, it will be difficult to let go of the past. Look for something positive and you'll find a way to put your attributes to good use and achieve a goal that is satisfying as well as helpful. With acceptance comes change, and with change comes new beginnings. Your numbers are 8, 15, 22, 26, 34, 47, 49.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Go about getting what you want in a progressive but realistic manner and you will ward off opposition and disagreements. Being willing to compromise and work with instead of against others will provide you with consistency and timely successes. \*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Refuse to stand by silently when you can make a difference. Let your experience and knowledge help you determine the best course of action. Own a piece of the future by being a participant in life, love and maintaining peace. \*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Look for new ways to put your skills to good use. Relying on others to help or to do something for you is a waste of time. Look on the bright side when dealing with loved ones, commitment and pursuing your dreams. \*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Don't mistake someone's help as a nice gesture. You'll be expected to do something in return if you accept such generosity. Do what you can on your own, and be willing to pay for anything over and above. \*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Make changes for the right reason. If you want to improve your life, that's one thing, but altering your life to avoid someone you don't like won't solve the problem. Face unsavory matters and put them behind you. Be a leader. \*\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Smile, be social and you'll gain the confidence of others. Getting a better understanding of the people you deal with daily will help you show more compassion as well as offer better solutions to those you want to see excel. \*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Take it slow and steady. You won't find it easy to get along with partners, family or anyone who holds assets with you. Stick to whatever jobs you are given and say little until you have a fair solution to offer. \*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Pull together and work alongside people trying to reach the same objective. There is power in numbers, and if you really want to make a difference and bring about change, unite and make an impact. Engage in truth, equality and unification. \*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Do your part and you'll have no problem. However, if you shirk responsibility or avoid emotional situations that are in question, someone will expect you to voice your opinion. Keep the peace but don't lie to sidestep controversy. \*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** The broader picture will give you better insight into what's going on and who you should be in alliance with. Know your capabilities, and don't give in to someone pushing you to conform to offers that are unrealistic. \*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Remembering the past will help you ward off a dilemma. Only consider a joint venture that shows legitimate promise to pay off. Offering to help others is a nice gesture, but make sure you get something in return. \*\*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** A positive move will encourage you to save as well as to renegotiate your position in your personal and professional life. Knowing what you want will be half the battle. Once you recognize your calling, things will begin to happen. \*\*\*



LONGTIME ADDICTION REMAINS A SECRET IN WOMAN'S PAST

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 53-year-old woman who has finally met a kind, decent man after many abusive relationships. I honor our bond and have been open about my past, which has been colorful, to say the least. I was an addict. It was a long addiction that left me homeless and almost killed me many times. I have kept this part of my life a secret from everyone out of shame and fear of judgment. I would love to be open about it with him and let him know how much drugs affected me, but I don't want to drive him away. Any advice is appreciated. -- EX-ADDICT IN CALIFORNIA

**DEAR EX-ADDICT:** In one sentence you say you have been open about your past; in the next you say you are keeping your addiction and what it cost you a secret. You don't say how long you have known this man, or whether you plan to make this relationship permanent. If you do, you should tell him about your entire past because, if he finds out some other way, THAT is what could cause him to end the relationship.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a problem with my family. I am a woman in my 60s who does not and never has driven a car or any other vehicle. My older sister and brother think I have leprosy because I don't drive. How can I, or anyone in the same position as I am, get through to them that not everyone drives, and that those of us who don't or can't are like anyone else on this planet? -- NOT BEHIND THE WHEEL

**DEAR NOT BEHIND THE WHEEL:** Please clip this and share it with your sister and brother. Not everyone drives or aspires to. Some people are phobic about getting behind the wheel. Others recognize they are not good at it, while still others can't afford a car. Unless you have been imposing upon your relatives for transportation, they should not be critical of your choice. My late mother was a non-driver. She quit after skidding into the back of a coal truck during a Wisconsin winter. I'll never forget it because it left me with a scar on my knee when it hit the air-conditioning vent. Viewed from my perspective, she made the right choice, and so have you. It's a wise person who knows their limitations.

**DEAR ABBY:** This may seem minor in the scheme of things, but it's driving me crazy. Occasionally we have a potluck day at work. The problem is, while there are always people who eat, others never bring food to share. It's usually the men in our office -- those who hold higher positions and make far more money than the rest of us. They are also the ones who eat the most. They go back for seconds before the rest of us have eaten. If they do occasionally bring anything, it's usually a bag of chips.

I'm tired of paying for their lunches when they are more than capable of providing something -- takeout from a deli or even asking their wives to help. I'm also tired of going to get my lunch and discovering most of the food is already gone. I would welcome your advice or any tips your readers may have. -- FED UP IN DES MOINES

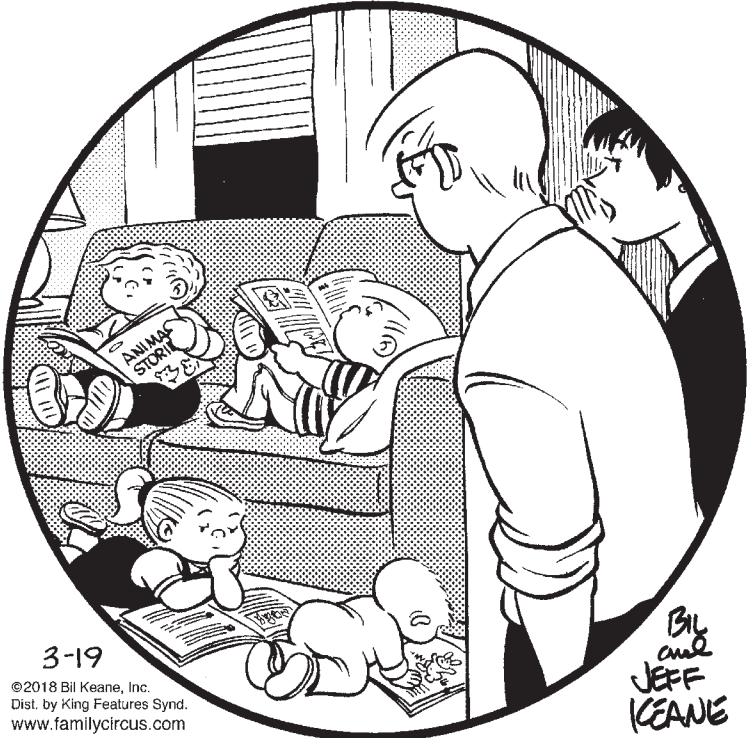
**DEAR FED UP:** Try this: Assign a list of what people need to bring to the potluck so there won't be duplication. And when you do, specify that only those who participate can eat the food.

MELTING POINTS By Timothy E. Parker

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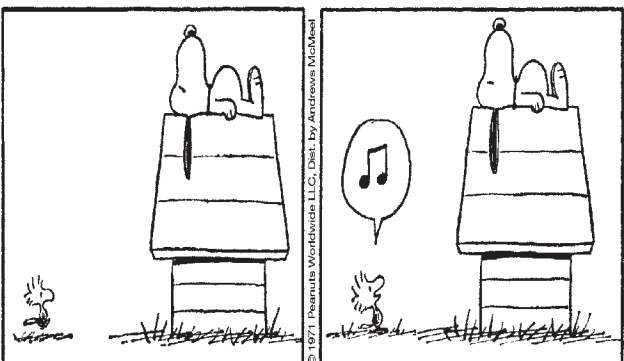
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Saturday's Puzzle Answer 3/17

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► **Florida...**

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Haas.

The Boilermakers set a school record for victories in a season and are in the regional semifinals for the fourth time under coach Matt Painter. Purdue faces third-seeded Texas Tech on Friday in Boston.

**SYRACUSE 55, MICHIGAN STATE 53**

DETROIT (AP) — Tyus Battle had 17 points and Oshae Brissett scored 15, lifting 11th-seeded Syracuse into the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16.

Cassius Winston missed an opportunity to win the game for the Spartans with a shot from about 45 feet just before the buzzer. The Spartans, flummoxed by Syracuse's 2-3 zone, didn't make a basket in the last 5:41. The Orange (23-13) forced the Spartans (30-5) to settle for 3-pointers all afternoon and it worked brilliantly for Hall of Fame coach Jim Boheim against Hall of Fame coach Tom Izzo.

The Spartans took a school record 37 shots beyond the arc,

making just eight of them.

Syracuse has won three straight since being sent to Dayton for the First Four as what the selection committee chairman acknowledged was the final team to receive an at-large bid.

Paschal Chukwu connected on one free throw with 2.4 seconds left and the miss gave Michigan State a chance to win in dramatic fashion, but Winston couldn't make a long shot to be hailed in his hometown.

**NEVADA 75, CINCINNATI 73**

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Josh Hall converted an offensive rebound for the tiebreaking basket with 9.1 seconds left as Nevada erased a 22-point deficit in the final 11 minutes.

Nevada's stirring comeback — the second-largest in tournament history — came just two days after the seventh-seeded Wolf Pack rallied from 14 points down to beat Texas 87-83 for its first NCAA victory since 2007.



New Orleans Pelicans guard Jrue Holiday (11) goes to the basket in front Houston Rockets center Clint Capela (15) during the second half of an NBA basketball game in New Orleans, Saturday, March 17, 2018. The Rockets won 107-101.  
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► **Harden...**

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just held our composure and closed the game out."

**WHEN PUSH COMES TO SHOVE**

The Wolves got a burst of energy after a fourth-quarter scuffle between Gorgui Dieng, Paul and Gerald Green. Green was ejected for coming to Paul's defense after a frustrated Dieng pushed him down after a foul. With the pumped-up crowd chanting "Gor-Gui!" Derrick Rose had back-to-back layups to pull the Wolves to 109-102. But Paul hit a jumper with Crawford in his face, and Harden easily drove past Dieng for a layup to give the Rockets some breathing room. Dieng said Paul gave him a cheap shot. Green, though, sounded contrite. "I learned my lesson, got ejected, try not to get that again and hopefully we're going to move forward from this," Green said.

**ROSE GETS COMFORTABLE**

Rose had his best performance since joining the Wolves on March 8. He finished with 14 points on 6-of-11 shooting in 19 minutes, and was matched up against Harden in the fourth. "He's got to keep doing what he's doing," Thibodeau said.

**TIP INS**

Rockets: It wasn't Houston's first 70-point half against the Wolves this season. The Rockets scored 72 in the second half during last month's win in Minneapolis. ... Capela had 12 rebounds for his 36th double-double of the season and Harden had his 27th. Timberwolves: All-Star Jimmy Butler, who hurt his knee in the last matchup with Houston on Feb. 23, spoke to reporters before the game for the first time since the injury and said he's targeting a return before the end of the regular season.

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