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BLUE EMPIRE DEFENSE

SHOWED UP BIG TIME

IN A WIN OVER FUNKY TOWN

by T. Gasu

Samoa News Sports Correspondent

The Blue Empire has not experienced the action of a championship game since their title win back in 2009 against the Warriors; and they're back with a vengeance — to win it. They will face the Warrior Nation, often seen at the big dance, and who are led by head coach Kolose Ili and school principal Tutuila Togilau.

Coverage of the 2017-18 ASHSAA high school football games is sponsored by Congresswoman Aumua Amata.

Faga'itua head coach Suaese Pooch Taase and his Vikings came in to Saturday's playoff game as the defending champs. But Samoana was not intimidated, as they defeated the Vikes 19-16 to seal the deal and earn them a spot in this Saturday's championship match.

Hundreds came out to witness the playoff game, and there was a noticeable heavy presence of cops from the Dept. of Public Safety, who manned all corners of the stadium.

It was Samoana's Defensive Coordinator (DC) coach Nofo who impacted the Sharks comeback against the Vikings last Saturday. "Offense wins games, but defense wins championships" is the saying that Samoana's Big 'D' is proving to be very true, as the Sharks defensive unit has anchored the team's way throughout the season. On the offensive side of the ball, the Sharks offensive unit— who barely clicked together in their Senior Game against Faga'itua two weeks ago — was firing on all cylinders of their running game, with Moses Michael Samia back in action to lead the way for their powerhouse running attack, that balanced out Anthony Fea-

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*Sui mai fa'alapopotoga taaloga o le Handball mai le Pasefika i le fonotaga sa faia i le amataga o le masina lenei i le aai o Anatalya i le malo o Turkey. Sa aofia ai ma le peresitene o le American Samoa Handball Association, Carl Floor Sr (itu taumatau).* [ata foai]

# Tala i ta'alogaga: fonotaga handball & ta'alogaga volleyball

tusia: Leua Aiono Frost

## MALAGA FLOOR FONOTAGA 38 HANDBALL FEDERATION

Na vala'aulia ma sa auai, le Peresetene o le American Samoa Handball Association (ASHA), Carl Sagapolutele Floor Sr., i le fonotaga lona 38 a le International Handball Federation (IHF) lea sa faia i le amataga o le masina lenei i le aai o Anatalya i le malo o Turkey.

O Floor foi ua avea ma sui o le Oceania Handball Association i lea lava fonotaga a lea fa'agatama. O le malo o Fiti lea sa fa'aulu ai le latou fia auai e avea ma sui o le IHF, ma ua fa'afiafiaina atili ai le Oceania, aua ua to'atele motu o le Pasefika e tauva i a latou ta'amilosaga a'o lumana'i le Olimipeka, ma ia maua sui e 20 o atunu'u e mafai ai ona maua ona nofoa e lua i le Komiti Faafoe a le IHF. I le taimi nei ua atoa ia Fiti le to'a 19 o atunu'u i le Oceania.

E toa 9 sui o le Oceania Handball Association na auai i lea fonotaga -

Ausetalia, Niu Sila, Atu Kuki, Fiti, Guam, CNMI, Tonga, Papua Niu Kini ma Amerika Samoa. Na iloga fo'i le malosi o le u'una'i a le Oceania ina ua mafai ona palotaina fa'atasi e i latou le tama'ita'i o Raquel Pedercini mo le tofi Taitaifono o le vaega a le Development Commission a le IHF.

O Pedercini o le Peresetene lea o le Asosi Handball mai Kanata, ae o se tama'itai sa ta'alo Handball mai Brazil i lona olaga talavou.

Ua fa'ailoa e Floor, "Sa ma'ua talanoa vavalalata ma Pedercini a'o loma le palotaga i le aso e soso'o ai.

O lana talanoa e fa'ailoa ai, o lo'o malamalama lelei o ia i fa'afitauli o feagai ai ma tatou au Handball fa'ato'a amata ma tau atina'e, atoa ai ma tulafono fo'i o le ta'alogaga fa'atauva ai fa'avaomalo."

I lea lava fonotaga, sa mafaia e Floor ona fa'amautu nisi o fesoasoani taua mo le tatou 'au Handball lea e sauni e malaga i le Youth Olympics, faatasi ma le aumalaga a le Olimipeka.

Ua mafai ona ia fa'amautu ni fesoasoani e fa'amae'a lelei ai le latou Malae Handball lea ua mae'a galueaina, ae le'i mae'a lelei i ona vaega uma e mafai ona fa'atautaia ai tauvaga i le atunu'u.

Ua mae'a fa'aulu Floor le U17 Handball Women's Team a Amerika Samoa i le ta'amilosaga a le Oceania Women's Beach Handball ia Fepuari, 2018, lea fo'i e fai fa'atasi lava ma le Ta'amilosaga a le Australian Open Handball Championships.

O le a i ai Fa'atonu Handball mai le IHF e va'ai toto'a i ta'a'alo a tatou tama'ita'i, ma matau fo'i ni ala o sasi ai le ta'a'alo, fa'atonutonu ni mea o lo'o mana'omia ona fa'aleleia.

"Pe afai fo'i e ta'a'alo tatou tama'ita'i laiti e U17 ma tama'ita'i matutua a le Au tele a Ausetalia, o se mea lelei fo'i, aua o le a maua ai fo'i le ala ta'alo e tatau ona tauva ai i le lumana'i, fa'amasani i manuva eseese o le faiga o le ta'alogaga lea, atoa ai ma le silafia o ala e fa'asao ai le polo mai 'au o latou fetai," o se tala lea a Floor e tusa ai o le agaga fa'afetai i lea fonotaga sa auai atu ai, ma avanoa sa ia maua e fa'asau ai nisi fesoasoani mo le ASHA.

## AU TA'ALO TAMA BEACH VOLLEYBALL I VANUATU

Ua fou malaga le Peresetene o le Asosi Volipolo ASVBF Ben Sauvao ma sui e to'atolu mo le Ta'amilosaga Beach Volley Ball i Vanuatu i le amataga o le masina o Tesema.

E lua au volley ball na tapena, o le au a tama'ita'i ma le 'au a ali'i. Peita'i ua fa'ailoa mai ua le mafai ona malaga le to'atasi o tama'ita'i ma ua le taunu'u ai ona malaga le 'au a teine.

O le ta'amilosaga i Vanuatu ua fa'atulaga mo Tesema 11-15 ma ua fuafua o Tesema 8 e tu'ua ai le atunu'u e Sauvao ma le 'au volipolo - Daniel Tasi Fereti ma Baker Moalele.

E ese mai lea faamoemoe, o lo'o loma le Ta'amilosaga a le ASVBF e faia mo le aso Fa'afetai. E na'o le lua lava aso - Aso Tofi, Novema 23 ma le aso Toonai, Novema 25 - e faia ai, ae faamoemoe e avea fo'i ma fa'amalosai'au i le agaga fa'afetai ma le fa'amasani o fanau e tauva i lenei fa'agatama.

O le ulufale o 'au volipolo ta'itasi e na'o le \$100. Toniga e tatau ona tutusa nao mitiafu e la'eia e tama ma teine ta'a'alo. Maua 'au e ta'alo tama ma teine fa'atasi, ta'i tolu tama, tolu teine i le 'au, vaega lena e 40 tausaga ma sili atu le matutua.

O lea ta'amilosaga e faia lea i le ASCC Gymnasium.

O lo'o tapena fo'i le Liki Volley Ball mo le vaitau o le Kerisimasi mai ia Tesema 23-30. O le ta'amilosaga lea e fuafua mo le fanau iti i a'oga tulaga muamua o tama ma teine, 14-18 tausaga le matutua e fa'aulu mai.

O le totogi a le au e tasi e \$50 mo le fanau a'oga tulaga muamua, ae \$75 mo 'au a le fanau a'oga mauululuga.

O le a toe fa'amautu atili mea uma i lea liki i le fonotaga a le ASVBF lea e faia i Nuuli i le nofoaga masani i le aso Lua a sau nei.





Michigan State coach Tom Izzo signals during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game against Stony Brook, Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, in East Lansing, Mich. (AP Photo/Al Goldis)

## TOP 25 REWIND: Spartans’ Izzo hopes to see No. 1 Duke again

Duke and Michigan State offered an early 1-vs-2 gem featuring a preseason All-American, a star-laden freshman class and a senior adding another big moment to a career that includes winning a national championship.

Spartans coach Tom Izzo was left hoping it wasn’t the only time his team might see the Blue Devils this year.

“We deserved what we got, they deserved what they got,” Izzo told reporters after Tuesday’s 88-81 loss in the Champions Classic in Chicago. “Do I think we’ll get better? Do I think we’ll get a chance to play them again? I sure as hell hope so.” The 42nd meeting of the top two teams since 1949 headlined the past week’s AP Top 25 schedule, part of a heavy-weight doubleheader that also included No. 4 Kansas’ 65-61 win against No. 7 Kentucky.

Michigan State star sophomore Miles Bridges — the leading vote-getter on The Associated Press preseason All-America team — finished with 19 points. But Izzo lamented his team’s performance on the boards, a 46-34 Duke edge that led to 17 second-chance points and prompted Izzo to describe it as a “smashmouth” characteristic of past Michigan State teams.

As for Duke, the Blue Devils had several takeaways. Freshman guard Trevon Duval (17 points, 10 assists, six steals) shined in his first marquee game. And senior Grayson Allen’s career-best 37 points more than made up for the loss of top rookie Marvin Bagley III to a first-half eye injury.

In fact, Allen’s play was a

throwback to his freshman year, when Quinn Cook was the vital senior alongside a touted rookie class featuring three one-and-dones. That team beat Izzo’s Spartans in the Champions Classic then again in the Final Four on the way to winning the 2015 NCAA title — part of Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski’s 12-1 record against Michigan State.

“It’s an honor to play against Tom’s program,” Krzyzewski said. “They bring out the best in you.”

THE “OTHER” BIG ONE: Kansas coach Bill Self considered his team’s performance against Kentucky “a great grind-it-out win.” That win came despite shooting 35 percent, though some of that can be attributed to the Jayhawks managing 18 offensive rebounds and 20 second-chance points.

As for Kentucky, John Calipari’s bunch led by the latest crop of star freshmen hung in after a couple of shaky home performances that included rallying from nine down at half-time to beat Utah Valley and holding off Vermont.

“I’m trying to get them to think less and play more,” Calipari said, “and just worry about competing.”

CENTURY MARKS: Fifth-ranked Villanova and eighth-ranked Florida both cracked the century mark — twice.

The Wildcats beat Nicholls 113-77 and Lafayette 104-57. The Gators beat Gardner-Webb 116-74 then beat North Florida 108-68 to take plenty of momentum into Sunday’s game against New Hampshire, though they won that one just 70-63 on Sunday.

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E matou te faatulou atu ai i le paia o suli ma feoi o le suafo o Tuiteleleapaga i le afioaga o Leone, o loo alaala ma papa’a’ao i itu e fia o Samoa. Paia lava lea aua Laloifi ma Falesau o le Faleomavaega. Afio ai Tuitele o le Faatuiolemotu, Susu ai Faiivae o le Maluolefale, Susu ai i la’ua Tama Matua ia Olo ma Leoso ma vae o le tootoo Fiu ma Maiava. Susu Tuiteleleapaga ma Avegalio. Afio Maava, ae puipui e le fetalaiga tumalele ia i la’ua Matua o Salave’a ma Salave’a. Mamalu na aua Fofu ma le aai talāluma o le Alataua. Tulou!

Ua tasi moemoe le finagalo o aiga i le maota o Leagaoso, e Afio ai le Sa’o ia Tuiteleleapaga ae pola puipui e le fetalaiga ia Tuisee ma Talivaa, mamalu i le nofoatoo ma tausi faapea le aai o le Aigaotuga ma le Fagaoatua. O le a faia sa tatou talatalaga auã se tasi e ta’ita’ia lo tatou aiga i le:

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Bridges sprains ankle in No. 2 MSU's win over Stony Brook

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Miles Bridges scored 20 points before limping off the court with a sprained left ankle, casting a pall over No. 2 Michigan State as it beat Stony Brook 93-71 on Sunday night.

The Spartans (2-1) bounced back from their loss to top-ranked Duke with a win that will be remembered as being costly if Bridges' injury lingers. Coach Tom Izzo said after the game that Bridges is day to day.

He was fouled with 8:32 left in the game and landed awkwardly on his left foot, rolling his ankle. After trying to stay in the game to shoot free throws, the preseason All-America player went back to the bench briefly before walking toward the locker room.

Nick Ward scored a season-high 22 points, Joshua Langford had a career-high 19 points and Cassius Winston scored a season-high 13 points and had

six assists for the Spartans. The Seawolves (0-4) led for much of the first half, holding Bridges to two points as they led 22-15 midway through the first half.

Stony Brook's Elijah Olaniyi scored 16, Akwasi Yeboah had 15 points, UC Iroegbu scored 12 and Tyrell Sturdivant added 10 points.

NO. 8 FLORIDA 70, NEW HAMPSHIRE 63

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Jalen Hudson scored 26 points, including a dunk midway through the second half that put Florida ahead for good in the Gators' victory over plucky New Hampshire.

The Gators (3-0) had been averaging a nation-leading 112 points per game in their first two wins. But they shot just 32 percent, and New Hampshire (1-2) took advantage.

A desperation 3-pointer at the halftime buzzer lifted the

Wildcats into a 32-32 tie, and they continued their upset bid after the break.

A fall-back 3 by John Ogwuche gave New Hampshire the lead with under 10 minutes left. Hudson came back with a dunk, and later scored nine straight points to keep Florida in front.

Tanner Leissner finished with 23 points for the Wildcats.

NO. 10 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 93, VANDERBILT 89, OT

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Jordan McLaughlin scored a career-high 35 points, and Southern California rallied from a 10-point deficit midway through the second half to beat Vanderbilt in overtime.

McLaughlin forced overtime by hitting his fifth 3-pointer of the game with 25.8 seconds left in regulation. He then scored the first five points of OT as the Trojans (3-0) escaped with a victory in their first road game this season.

USC first rallied from a 14-point deficit to lead 35-34 at halftime, and the Trojans trailed 62-52 with 9:36 left. Bennie Boatwright started an 8-0 run with a 3-pointer, followed by a three-point play by McLaughlin to set up a thrilling finish and comeback.

Chimezie Metu added 23 points for the Trojans in the program's first visit to Memorial Gym since Dec. 5, 1975. Boatwright finished with 14 before fouling out late in regulation.

Vanderbilt (2-2) had a chance to win in regulation, but Riley LaChance's short jumper missed just before the buzzer.

NO. 14 MINNESOTA 92, WESTERN CAROLINA 64

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Jordan Murphy had 23 points and 11 rebounds, and Minnesota cruised past Western Carolina.

Five Gophers scored in double figures, and coach Richard Pitino leaned heavily on his bench as Minnesota (4-0) played the first of a four-game stretch this week. Amir Coffey had 15 points, Dupree McBrayer scored 14, Nate Mason had 13 and Isaiah Washington scored 10.

Freshman Matt Halvorsen hit 5 of 7 3-pointers and led the Catamounts (1-3) with 17 points. Deriece Parks added 11 points. Murphy posted his fourth straight double-double to start the season, and he carried Minnesota offensively for much of the second half as Mason and center Reggie Lynch were limited by foul trouble. Murphy had 15 points and 9 rebounds after the break as the Gophers pulled away after leading 42-33 at halftime. Mason picked up his fourth foul early in the second half with the Gophers protecting a five-point lead. Pitino turned the offense over to Washington, and the prized recruit from New York kept things running smoothly.

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10 : am	00' K-pop World Festival 10' The Beauty	The Beauty K-RUSH (E,R)	The Return of Superman Jisook's Table for O'	Drama Special 2017 (E,R) Heritage Tomorrow	The Beauty K-RUSH (E,R)	00'	Music Bank (E,R) 50' The Beauty K-pop World Festival	Encore Drama "Gunman in Joseon" (E,R)	00'		
11 : am	00' K-RUSH (E,R) 30'	Encore Drama "Gunman in Joseon" (E,R)						"Gunman in Joseon" (E,R)	30'		
12 NOON	00' Music Bank (E,R)	Daily Drama "The Secret of My Love" (E,R)									
1 : pm	50' The Return of Superman (E,R)	Daily Drama "Hate To Love You" (E,R)								K-RUSH (E,R) K-RUSH (E,R)	30'
2 : pm	30' Two Days and One Night (E,R)	Entertainment Weekly (E,R)	Witch's Court Mon-Tue Drama (E,R)		Mad Dog Wed-Thu Drama (E,R)						
3 : pm	50' Encore Drama "Big Man" (E,R)	The Beauty K-RUSH (E,R)	The Return of Superman Jisook's Table for O'	Drama Special 2017 (E,R) Heritage Tomorrow	The Beauty K-RUSH	30'	Quiz on Korea 2017 (E,R)	Music Bank (E,R)	30'		
4 : pm	00' Encore Drama "Big Man" (E,R)	Mon-Tue Drama Witch's Court (E,R)	Weekend Drama My Golden Life (E,R)	Wed-Thu Drama Mad Dog (E,R)	The Return of Superman (E,R)	50'	My Golden Life Weekend Drama (E,R)		50'		
5 : pm	00' Encore Drama "Big Man" (E,R)	Mon-Tue Drama Witch's Court (E,R)	Weekend Drama My Golden Life (E,R)	Wed-Thu Drama Mad Dog (E,R)		00'	Mon-Tue Drama	Wed-Thu Drama	00'		
6 : pm	10' Encore Drama "Big Man" (E,R)	Mon-Tue Drama Witch's Court (E,R)	Weekend Drama My Golden Life (E,R)	Wed-Thu Drama Mad Dog (E,R)	Two Days and One Night (E,R)		Witch's Court (E,R)	Mad Dog (E,R)			
7 : pm	20' Gag Concert	Daily Drama "The Secret of My Love" (E,R) Daily Drama "Hate To Love You" (E,R)						Quiz on Korea 2017	20'		
9 : pm	00' Food Odyssey (E,R)	2017 Dream Concert in Pyeongchang K-RUSH (E,R)	Heritage Tomorrow Witch's Court Mon-Tue Drama (E,R)		Music Bank (Live)	40'	The Beauty (E,R)		20'		
10 : pm	00' Immortal Songs 2 (E,R)		The Return of Superman		2017 K-pop World Festival in Changwon	K-RUSH (E,R) Heritage Tomorrow Guerrilla Date (E,R)	30'	K-RUSH (E,R)		50'	
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12 : 00	20' Daily Drama "Hate To Love You" (E)										
Next Day	KBS 9 News (Live)										
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3 : am	00' The Beauty	The Return of Superman	Heritage Tomorrow Drama Special 2017	The Beauty	Music Bank (E)	"The Return of Superman" Special (E)	50' Mon-Tue Drama (E,R)	50' Wed-Thu Drama (E,R)	30'		
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9 : am	30' The Beauty	Return of Superman	Drama Special 2017	The Beauty	Music Bank (E,R)	00'					

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A pass from Anthony Feala intended for Alex Te'o is tipped, and seconds away from being intercepted by Deuteronomy Tafaovale of the Vikings during the second quarter of their playoff game last Saturday morning. The Vikes came up three points short in a 19-16 loss against the Blue Empire who will be playing in the championship game this Saturday against the Warriors.

[photo: TG]



Advent Migi of the Vikings carrying this one for huge yardage for the Big Red Machine during the second quarter of their playoff game against the Sharks. See story for details.

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Vito Kitiona of the Vikings is sacked in the backfield by a Samoana defender, during the second quarter of their playoff game this past Saturday at the Veterans Memorial Stadium. The Vikings lost to the Sharks 19-16.

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la’s passing game in their victory.

Defensive Coordinator Meafou Sagapolutele of the Vikings led a good defensive stop for Faga’itua, but Samoana’s OC Galo Tuiolosega had a good set of tricks up his sleeve which helped the Sharks offense in their ‘No Huddle’ attack against the Vikes, giving them a taste of their own medicine.

## VARSITY DIVISION PLAYOFF GAME SAMOANA 19, FAGA’ITUA 16

The Eastern Star had full control of this one from the start, as they managed to pull strings in their ground game to hold a comfortable lead in the opening quarter of the game.

5:18 in the first quarter, Faga’itua’s second and goal from the Sharks 5-yard line, and Vito Kitona pitched the ball out to Aroni Taua’a who turned on his boosters and raced towards the corner of the end zone to score the opening touchdown of the game. The two point conversion was an option quarterback keeper by Kitona to secure the eight point lead early in the match.

4:11 in the first quarter and Samoana finds an open shot to the end zone, after Faga’itua was penalized with lining up offsidess – three straight times. Samoana was in a first down situation on Faga’itua’s 5-yard line and from there Feala handed the ball off to Kalisi Lotulelei who rammed his way straight up the middle to score the Blue Empire’s first touchdown of the game. Samoana’s field goal unit stayed on the sidelines, as head coach Pati Pati wanted to even things out, and opted to go for two. The two point attempt was another inside hand off to Lotulelei that was good enough to tie the game at 8 a piece.

7:51 in the second quarter, and the

Vikings find themselves in good field position again, which came by way of a pass interference penalty against Samoana. This moved Faga’itua up to Samoana’s 10-yard line and from there, Kitona fired a solid bullet to the numbers of Jacob Umu for the Vikings second touchdown of the game. The two point attempt was another option quarterback keeper by Kitona to secure a 16 point lead heading into half time. Both teams brought out the best in each other, specifically in their defensive game to open up the third quarter of play. The Vikings, known to be the second half team of the league, were totally shut down by the Sharks defense throughout the second half of play, as the Vikings running game was all plugged up. Samoana adjusted to having David Mikaele back in his original middle linebacker position, and the Sharks opted to field their best players in an effort to shut out the Vikings completely - which they did. There really was no action until the final second of the third quarter. One second remaining in the third, and Samoana was at the Vikings 15-yard line with a fourth and goal situation. The Sharks brought in Elliot Lelei to kick off the field goal conversion that was good enough to bring them within five points, 11-16. The most crucial play of the game came with just 3:57 remaining in the ball game. The Sharks were in a desperate fourth and two situation for a first down opportunity, at Faga’itua’s 5-yard line. This was when Anthony Feala sent Moses Michael Samia straight up the middle, where he was apprehended at the line of scrimmage; but Samia spun out of a tackle and spotted a first and goal situation for the Sharks inside the five-yard line.

3:44 remaining in the ball game, and Anthony Feala snuck behind his linemen on a quarterback sneak for another Samoana touchdown. Feala was penalized after the play for unsportsmanlike

conduct. The call by head official Fritz Afu was: “The touchdown is good, and the penalty will be assessed during the kick off.” Samoana’s extra point attempt saw the field goal unit again on the sidelines, as Coach Pati opted to go for two. On the snap, Feala sent Kalisi Lotulelei straight up the middle to secure a 19-16 lead. With three minutes remaining in the game, the Vikings option game began to unveil but it wouldn’t quite open up, as the Sharks defense picked off Kitona for a sure ball game. Faga’itua’s second and long from their own 45-yard line and Kitona fires a long pass to Jacob Umu. The pass was intercepted by Paul Fano, bringing the Sharks offense back on to the field to go into victory formation and run out the clock. With the win, the Sharks are now preparing to play the Warriors in the 2017-18 ASHSAA championship game set for this Saturday at the Veterans Memorial Stadium. At the conclusion of the game, Samoa News noticed on Facebook that players and coaches from both teams were acknowledging each other on a match well played, and a well deserved win for Samoana, as the east side prepares to support the Blue Empire in the upcoming title game against head coach Kolose Ili and the Warrior Nation.

The Warriors first defeat of the 2017-18 ASHSAA Football season came at the hands of Sharks in Week 8 of regular season. It was a ‘close’ game — a one point win by the Sharks 16- 15. It is believed that the Warriors’ injuries from their previous match ups took a toll on them, for the game, as the team wasn’t able to field two of their star players, Panapa Filoiali’i and Fetu Gaoa during this game. However, the Warriors have been on a two-week bye — which included waiting out the result of last Saturday’s playoff game. The two injured players are said to be ready for the ‘big dance’ with the Eastside this coming Saturday.



Vikings quarterback Vito Kitona locking on to Jefferey Fulu for a pass during the opening quarter of their playoff game last Saturday morning against the Sharks who won 19-16.

[photo: TG]



Samoana Sharks’ defensive unit coming back on the field after a time out during their playoff game last Saturday at the Veterans Memorial Stadium. Samoana’s defensive unit led the way to a 19-16 victory over the Vikings and they will face the Warriors in the title game of the year this Saturday.

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# Drummond scores 20 points, Pistons outlast T-Wolves 100-97

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Detroit got a bit of everything down the stretch. A gutty performance from Andre Drummond after hurting his elbow. A tough shot from Reggie Jackson over Karl-Anthony Towns. Two big free throws from Tobias Harris.

But Stan Van Gundy knew his Pistons needed just a tiny bit more to outlast Minnesota on Sunday night.

"You've still got to get lucky," the coach said.

That luck came in the closing seconds when Jimmy Butler missed the third of three free throws and a 3-point attempt as time expired, and the Pistons escaped Minnesota with a 100-97 victory.

Drummond had 20 points and 16 rebounds, Harris and Avery Bradley added 18 points each and the Pistons snapped their two-game skid and Minnesota's three-game streak.

"I didn't want to lose," Drummond said. "I mean, I

have that mentality every night. But this game, I didn't want to go 0-3 on the road. We were trying to get this one and we needed it going into tomorrow. We fought hard."

The Pistons trailed by as many as 11, and Minnesota led 93-92 with 1:45 to go after Wiggins went 1 for 2 from the line. But Jackson hit a floater and a layup to give Detroit the lead for good.

Jackson hit a 19-footer with 7-footer Towns in his face to make it 98-95 with 19.7 seconds to play. But the Wolves found hope when Bradley fouled Butler from the 3-point line with 6.2 to go.

He made the first two, but then Jackson appeared to mess with Butler's rhythm by yelling to his teammates and delaying the final shot. Butler missed it.

"He had nothing to do with that, I just missed one," Butler said.

To Detroit's surprise.

"Not going to lie. ... He's one of the closers in this league and everybody knows it," Jackson said. "The ball bounced our way fortunately tonight, but I definitely expected him to make it."

Harris's free throws finished off Detroit's final 16-7 run, and Butler's last-second 3-point attempt rattled out to draw a loud groan from the crowd.

Butler led the Wolves with 26 points and 10 rebounds, and Andrew Wiggins had 24.

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Jackson scored nine of his 16 points in the fourth, and had two rebounds and an assist to Drummond in the final two minutes. Van Gundy credited Jackson's decision making and passes.

"To me, that's his best finish of the year," Van Gundy said. "He got a lot of credit in the Atlanta game, he made some good shots. That was great point guard play down the stretch."

Jackson finished the night 7 of 11 from the floor and led the Pistons with eight assists.

"Reggie Jackson was being Reggie Jackson," Drummond said. "Under five minutes, just get that man the basketball and let him play. He did an amazing job of getting guys open. ... He got me a hook shot in the paint, and he scored the rest of the way. You couldn't ask for a better momentum swing."

## WOLVES WOES IN THE FOURTH

Detroit outscored Minnesota 29-17 in the fourth quarter, and Butler's last-second three was officially his only attempt of the period. Towns, meanwhile, went 1 of 4 from the floor, and the Wolves went 6 of 17 as a team. Still, players insisted they ran the offense they wanted.

"We executed them pretty well, we just missed some shots," Towns said.

## TIP-INS

Pistons: Drummond had his 12th double-double of the season. He briefly sat out midway through the third after coming down hard on his left elbow, and had to be helped to the bench. ...

Detroit had 25 assists on 39 field goals. ... Jon Leuer missed his seventh straight game, and Van Gundy said the forward would have another MRI on Monday to evaluate his sprained left ankle.

"Just hasn't progressed the way we thought," Van Gundy said. "We certainly thought he'd be back, even at the beginning of this trip, and it just hasn't materialized."

So we'll get in there and see what's going on and see if there's anything major, or if he just needs some more time."

Timberwolves: Towns had 16 points. ... Butler hit a season-high 10 field goals, and had his sixth 20-point game of the season.

He has scored 20 in four of his last five games. ... Wiggins had his ninth 20-point night of the season.



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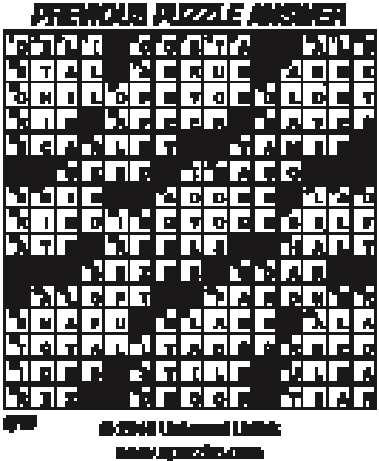
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We have invited the five major world religions -- Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Judaism -- all of which regard peace as a universal concept. While our specific beliefs may differ, we are all one through our quest for love and peace. -- CARMELLA LaSPADA

**DEAR CARMELLA:** I am sure my readers will agree that your idea is one worth trying. I'm reminded of the adage that when a stone is tossed into a pond, the ripple effect spreads much farther than the point of impact. It's my prayer that when readers of all faiths focus their positive energy on such an important outcome, something similar will happen.

**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend, "Mark," and I have been dating for three months but have been friends for about eight years. Neither of us have it together (career-wise) at the moment. Mark is two years older than me. For some reason, he's hesitant about getting his driver's license. When I brought it up when he was a senior in high school -- we were just friends then -- he said he was going to get it before graduation. That was seven years ago. Now he's my boyfriend, and I feel weird picking him up and dropping him off. His excuse is he wants to perfect parallel parking. When I got my driver's license, I did just OK with parallel parking, but I passed the driving test. How do I approach him about getting his driver's license? -- GETTING NOWHERE IN GEORGIA

**DEAR GETTING NOWHERE:** For whatever reason, I suspect that Mark hasn't been completely honest about why he hasn't gotten his driver's license. Approach him directly, and tell him you are uncomfortable providing all the transportation. And if his excuse is he wants to perfect his parallel parking, suggest he take a driver's education course.

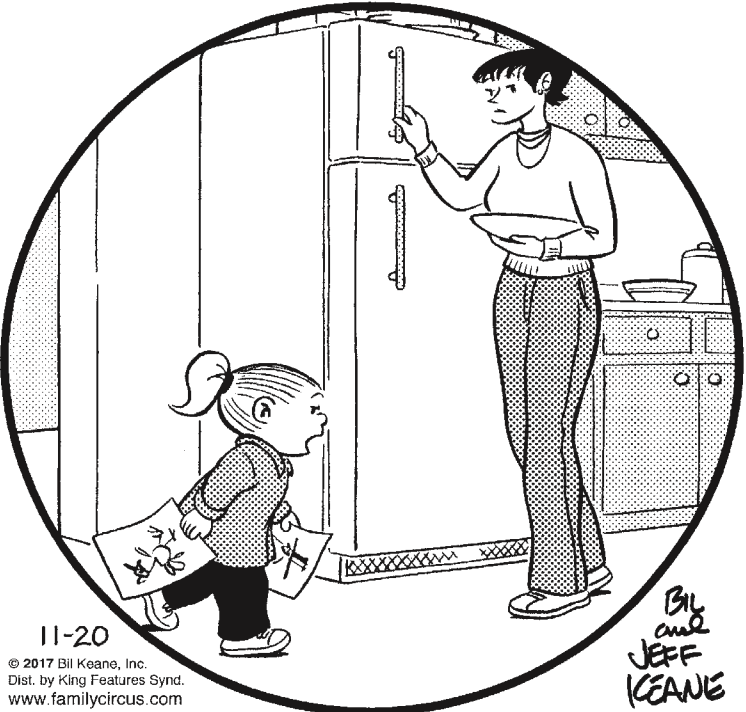
**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I recently moved to Florida. We are meeting people but are confused regarding social activities. We have been invited to get-togethers several times only to be instructed to bring our own drinks and an appetizer to share. When we entertain, we don't expect our guests to bring anything. Is this the norm? -- CONFUSED IN FLORIDA

**DEAR CONFUSED:** It may be the norm in the community where you are now living, but it's news to me. I have heard of a BYOB party, and I have heard of a potluck party, but never a "Bring Your Own EVERYTHING" party.

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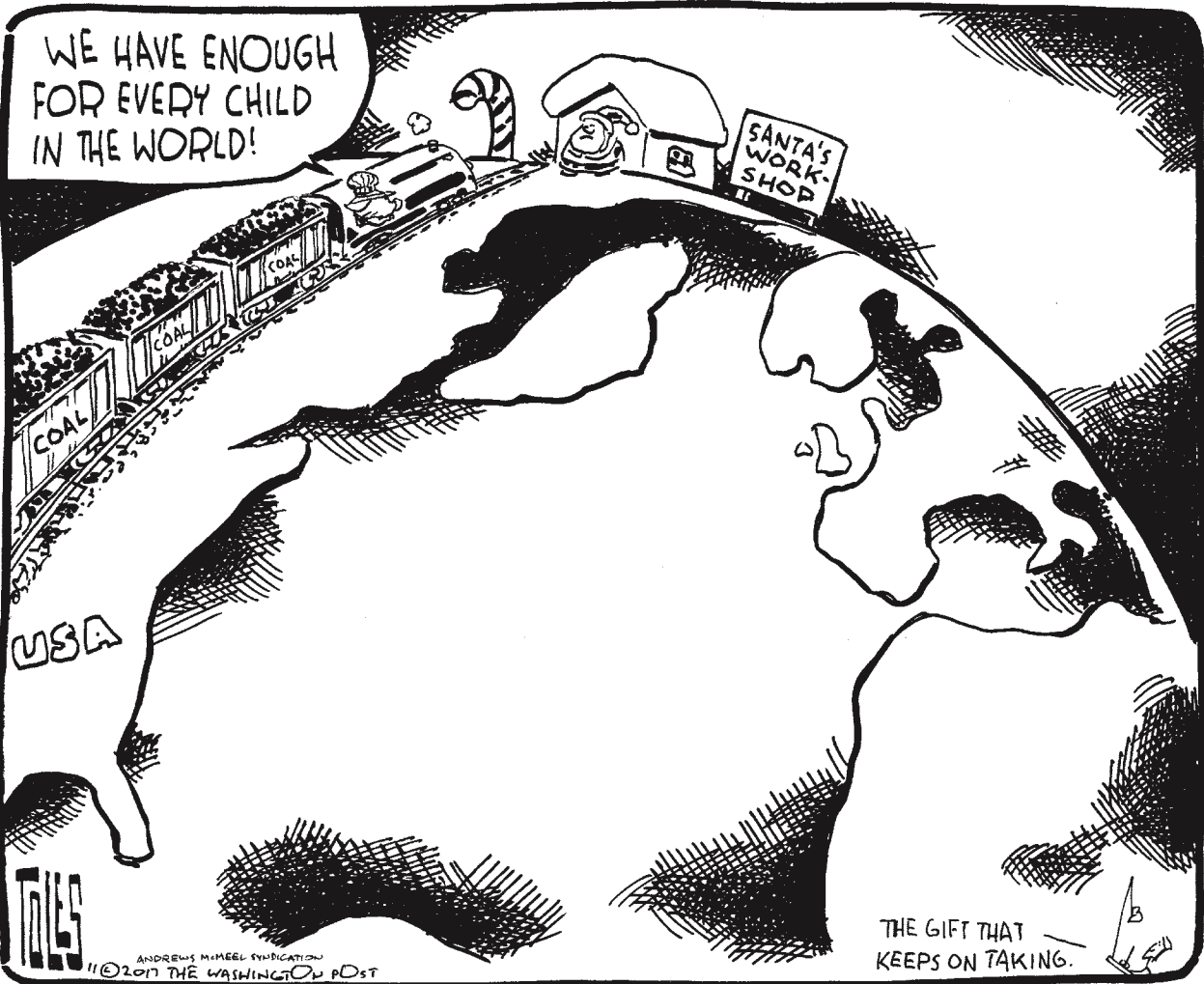
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7	4	5	2	1	3	6	8	9
6	3	9	5	8	4	7	2	1
1	2	8	7	9	6	5	3	4

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OKAY

I HAVE AN IDEA

ANY SUGGESTIONS?

LET'S NOT DO SOMETHING





Minnesota Timberwolves forward Jimmy Butler (23) shoots over Detroit Pistons guard Avery Bradley (22) in the first half of an NBA basketball game, Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, in Minneapolis. (AP Photo/Stacy Bengs)

# Drummond scores 20 points, Pistons outlast T-Wolves 100-97

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Detroit got a bit of everything down the stretch. A gutty performance from Andre Drummond after hurting his elbow. A tough shot from Reggie Jackson over Karl-Anthony Towns. Two big free throws from Tobias Harris. But Stan Van Gundy knew his Pistons needed just a tiny bit more to outlast Minnesota on Sunday night.

“You’ve still got to get lucky,” the coach said.

That luck came in the closing seconds when Jimmy Butler missed the third of three free throws and a 3-point attempt as time expired, and the Pistons escaped Minnesota with a 100-97 victory.

Drummond had 20 points and 16 rebounds, Harris and Avery Bradley added 18 points each and the Pistons snapped their two-game skid and Minnesota’s three-game streak.

“I didn’t want to lose,”

Drummond said. “I mean, I have that mentality every night. But this game, I didn’t want to go 0-3 on the road. We were trying to get this one and we needed it going into tomorrow. We fought hard.”

The Pistons trailed by as many as 11, and Minnesota led 93-92 with 1:45 to go after Wiggins went 1 for 2 from the line. But Jackson hit a floater and a layup to give Detroit the lead for good.

Jackson hit a 19-footer with 7-footer Towns in his face to make it 98-95 with 19.7 seconds to play. But the Wolves found hope when Bradley fouled Butler from the 3-point line with 6.2 to go.

He made the first two, but then Jackson appeared to mess with Butler’s rhythm by yelling to his teammates and delaying the final shot. Butler missed it.

“He had nothing to do with that, I just missed one,” Butler

said.

To Detroit’s surprise.

“Not going to lie. ... He’s one of the closers in this league and everybody knows it,” Jackson said. “The ball bounced our way fortunately tonight, but I definitely expected him to make it.”

Harris’s free throws finished off Detroit’s final 16-7 run, and Butler’s last-second 3-point attempt rattled out to draw a loud groan from the crowd.

Butler led the Wolves with 26 points and 10 rebounds, and Andrew Wiggins had 24.

**JACKSON SHINES**

Jackson scored nine of his 16 points in the fourth, and had two rebounds and an assist to Drummond in the final two minutes. Van Gundy credited Jackson’s decision making and passes.

“To me, that’s his best finish of the year,” Van Gundy said. “He got a lot of credit in the Atlanta game, he made some good shots. That was great point guard play down the stretch.”

Jackson finished the night 7 of 11 from the floor and led the Pistons with eight assists.

“Reggie Jackson was being Reggie Jackson,” Drummond said. “Under five minutes, just get that man the basketball and let him play. He did an amazing job of getting guys open. ... He got me a hook shot in the paint, and he scored the rest of the way. You couldn’t ask for a better momentum swing.”

**WOLVES WOES IN THE FOURTH**

Detroit outscored Minnesota 29-17 in the fourth quarter, and Butler’s last-second three was officially his only attempt of the period. Towns, meanwhile, went 1 of 4 from the floor, and the Wolves went 6 of 17 as a team. Still, players insisted they ran the offense they wanted.

“We executed them pretty well, we just missed some shots,” Towns said.

**TIP-INS**

Pistons: Drummond had his 12th double-double of the season. He briefly sat out midway through the third after coming down hard on his left elbow, and had to be helped to the bench. ... Detroit had 25 assists on 39 field goals. ... Jon Leuer missed his seventh straight game, and Van Gundy said the forward would have another MRI on Monday to evaluate his sprained left ankle. “Just hasn’t progressed the way we thought,” Van Gundy said. “We certainly thought he’d be back, even at the beginning of this trip, and it just hasn’t materialized. So we’ll get in there and see what’s going on and see if there’s anything major, or if he just needs some more time.”

Timberwolves: Towns had 16 points. ... Butler hit a season-high 10 field goals, and had his sixth 20-point game of the season. He has scored 20 in four of his last five games. ... Wiggins had his ninth 20-point night of the season.



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