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## A'sa forced to pull out from heavyweight fight of his life

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Samoa News Reporter

Heavyweight contender Alapati "The Heat Man" A'sa has been forced to pull out from the fight of his life against Australian heavyweight boxer Alex "Lionheart" Le'apai, after suffering a right shoulder injury last week during his training.

The former American Samoa heavyweight champion, who has been fighting for Samoa since last year, was scheduled to face Le'apai on September 7 at the Faleata Sports Complex in Apia. The fight was scheduled for 8 rounds, and it was one of the four undercards for the main event of the evening between Jai Opetaia and Daniel Amman, both from Australia. After he won his fight against one of Samoa's top heavyweight contenders, Tino Honey in December of last year in an unanimous decision, the "Heat Man" continued on with his training to await who would be his next opponent.

It was June  
"I was  
for this

of this year when A'sa's management confirmed to him that Le'apai would be his next opponent.

looking forward to this fight and I considered it as the big fight of my life. I trained hard and put up everything I have fight, knowing that Le'apai is one of the best and hard punchers in the heavyweight division. I know I'm not perfect and I have some weaknesses in and out of the ring but I put everything behind me in order for me to win this fight. Unfortunately, things got worse when I got injured during my training and it's really sad to think about it," said A'sa. The "Heat Man" went to the hospital to see his doctor when he felt pain in his shoulder and he could hardly

move it. It was after this visit that he received the sad news from the doctor — he had a serious shoulder injury, and he needed to stop training for the next 3 months or more, until he is well again to train.

"I was very sad and heartbroken when I received the report from my doctor because I really needed this fight. I just wanted so bad to be in the ring with Le'apai, not only to learn from his skills but to lift up my career standard to the next level; however, I have to comply with my doctor's advice to stop training," he said. Despite missing his chance, A'sa believes that the sun will rise again, and he will have his chance to fight Le'apai in the future. "I will wait patiently for my time to come and when my injury goes away, I will be back in the gym for training and I will train hard ... I will fulfill my dream to become

champ," A'sa said. A'sa is on island visiting his family. He's staying with his 77-year-old grandmother in Otterville; and will be back in Samoa in the next couple of weeks, where he will train with his new coach, Vaaiga Tuigamala — injury permitting.

Holding the record of 15 fights with 13 wins, 2 loses with 10 KO, A'sa is planing to fight again before the end of this yer to extend his boxing career record. He said that he will be doing light training outside of the gym when he gets back to his coach and management in Samoa, until he is cleared for full training.

After holding an undefeated boxing record of 10 fights with 10 wins, A'sa received the first loss of his boxing career by knockout in the second round of the 10-rounds bout, against Kiwi top heavyweight contender Hemi Ahio for the vacant NZ National Boxing Federation belt (NZNBF) in November 2015 at the Sky City, Auckland, NZ. A'sa fought the first title fight of his life when Ahio was forced offshore to find a challenger for the NZNBF belt vacated by Joseph Parker, after a number of Kiwi opponents pulled out of the fight. After his defeats, A'sa broke away from his long time head coach/trainer, Toleafoa Henry Tavake, and moved to Samoa to continue on with his boxing career under a new coach, Tu'igamala.

He won all of his 3 fight s in Samoa, but lost one in New Zealand against one of the Kiwi top heavyweight contenders, Junior Fa. Le'apai on the other hand was the former world heavyweight title contender from Australia, who lost the first title fight of his life against former world heavyweight champion Wladimir Klitchko by knockout in the fifth round of a 12-round bout three years ago. Le'apai became the first Australian to challenge for the heavyweight world title in 106 years when he fought Klitschko, and after his title fight,

he was warned by his doctor that he could go blind if he kept fighting. According to his fighting profile, he had surgery on both eyes after his title fight in 2014, and faces another operation after experiencing more problems in his last bout, a unanimous-decision loss to Manuel Charr in Russia in 2015.

Le'apai was planning to make a return to the ring against A'sa in Samoa next month. According to reports from Samoa about the fight, it will be Le'apai's first bout in more than 2 years after he initially retired following surgery on both eyes. It is not clear at this time who is going to replace A'sa against Le'apai. Le'apai boasts a career record of 30-7-3 (24KO).



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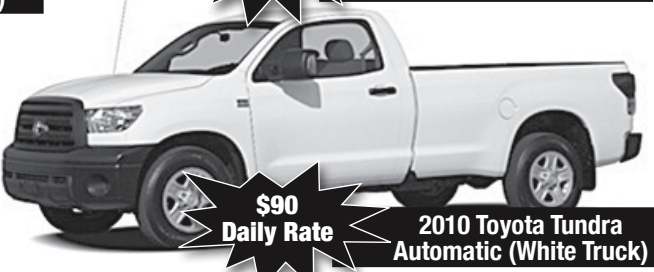
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Bronze and gone: In a shocker, Bolt takes third at worlds

LONDON (AP) — One final time, Usain Bolt peered down the last 50 meters of his lane and saw sprinter upon sprinter running footsteps ahead of him. One final time, the World's Fastest Man furiously pumped the arms and legs on his gangly 6-foot-5 frame, desperately trying to reel in all those would-be winners as the finish line fast approached.

This time, the afterburners kicked in but not hard enough. Not one, but two overlooked and underappreciated Americans — Justin Gatlin and Christian Coleman — withstood what was once Bolt's undeniable late charge.

This time, Bolt finished third in the 100-meter dash at world championships. That's right: A bronze-medal finish Saturday night in the going-away party for one of the planet's most entertaining icons and track and field's lone shining star.

"No regrets," Bolt insisted, long after a result that stunned a pumped-up crowd into near silence. "It was always going to end, no matter what happened — win, lose or draw. It doesn't change anything in my career."

Gatlin, who actually trailed Bolt at the halfway point, heard boos cascade loudly across the stadium when his winning time, 9.92 seconds, popped up on the scoreboard. The 35-year-old, who has served two doping bans and been widely cast as a villain to Bolt's hero, went sprawling to the ground with a huge smile. Later, he bowed down to the man he finally defeated.

"I wanted to pay homage to him," Gatlin said. "This night is still a magical night for track and field and Usain Bolt. I'm just happy to be one of his biggest competitors."

Coleman, a 21-year-old in the first major race of his life, was in shock, too: "To beat someone I looked up to when I was growing up.

I was just happy to be on the line with him," he conceded.

Bolt, who finished third in a time of 9.95, accepted with class both the result, and the fact that, at 30, he probably is picking the perfect time to retire.

"I did it for the fans," he said after collecting a bronze to go with his three world golds at 100 meters.

"They wanted me to go for one more season. I came out and did the best I could."

In the past, the scene after a Bolt race was really just an after-party masquerading as ceremony, filled with Bob Marley tunes, Jamaican flags and dancing. On Saturday, it felt surreal to anyone who's been at one of these Bolt victories before.

With house music playing softly throughout the stadium where Bolt won the middle three of his nine Olympic finals,

Gatlin and Coleman passed through the exit tunnel while the former champion took a 10-minute trip around the track, then detoured into the stands for selfies with the Jamaican fans who came across the ocean to see him one last time.

A few minutes after that, he stepped onto the track, kneeled down and kissed the finish line that he crossed in Lane 4.

Then, he gave the fans what they've come to expect: The famous "To The World" pose, which used to be the cherry on top of a raucous, fun-filled night. But where in the past the stadium would have still been brimming, this time, it was about one-eighth full and emptying quickly.

Bolt still has the 4x100 relay next weekend.

He was asked if he wished he could run what is widely considered his best race — the 200, one of three events (100 and 4x100 are the others) where he holds the world record.

"It probably would've been even worse," Bolt said. "I'm not in shape to run 200 meters right now."

Should we have seen this coming? Maybe so.

Bolt raced very lightly this year, and his best time coming into the meet was the same 9.95 seconds he ran in his finale.

His first heat, on Friday night, was ugly.

Though he won, he lumbered out of the start and later complained about the feel of the starting blocks.

In the semifinals, he actually lost by .01 to Coleman — a rare defeat in any sort of race, but one that could still be chalked up to it being a tune-up, with the real race more than two hours away.

But in the back of his mind, reality was setting in: "After the semifinal, I knew if I didn't get my start, I was going to be in trouble," he said. "I knew it. And when I left the blocks, I was like 'Aaaah.'"

He was the second-slowest starter in the eight-man field. Nothing new there, though his less-than-ideal racing shape, to say nothing of the fitness of the guys he was chasing, turned the usual comeback into something nobody's seen before on this big a stage.

Through most of the race, it looked as if Bolt would be trying to reel in Coleman, the NCAA champion, who was in Lane 5, and got out faster than anyone in the field.

While that chase was unfolding, Gatlin, out in Lane 8, was coming from behind.

Two years ago at world championships, Gatlin had Bolt all but beaten in the 100 finals, but he leaned too early before the line and let the champion pass him for a .01-second victory.



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Jamaica's Usain Bolt kisses the track after placing third in the men's 100m final during the World Athletics Championships in London Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017.

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# Casinos embrace esports even as they work to understand it

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Casinos are slowly embracing competitive video game tournaments as a way to help their bottom lines, but the money is coming from renting hotel rooms to the young players and selling them food and drinks, not from turning them into gamblers.

Like most other ways gambling halls have tried to attract millennials and their disposable income, it hasn't been easy. Caesars Entertainment was first in the nation to adopt skill-based slot machines to woo millennials in Atlantic City, but bailed on them after a few months when the response was underwhelming. Other Atlantic City casinos still use them, however.

Competitive video game tournaments, known as esports, are a growing industry around the world. The fast-paced action, vivid graphics and often violent on-screen action is catnip to millennials, the audience casinos are targeting as their core slot players grow old and die.

But it's been difficult to move them from the video console to the craps table.

"Everybody's still trying to figure out: How do you make this appealing for the consumer and make sense for the business? How do we all profit from this?" said Kevin Ortzman, Atlantic City regional president for Caesars Entertainment, which owns three casinos in the city.

The company in March hosted an esports tournament at Caesars that drew about 900 competitors and spectators.

The bottom line result was encouraging, if not dynamite.

"We certainly experienced a spike in our hospitality offerings — the hotel, food and beverage side of things," Ortzman said. "We didn't see as much on the gambling side, which we weren't terribly surprised by."

But he said coming up with ways to attract millennials is a necessity for the casino industry as a whole, adding that esports players could be cultivated to embrace casinos for video game competitions the way their parents and grandparents went there to play slot machines.

Gambling requires discretionary income and free time, things that people starting their careers or families may not have in abundance, said David Schwartz, director of the Center for Gaming Research at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

"The big question is whether

people who are 40 or 20 now will begin to play casino games as they get older," Schwartz said. "This isn't a given."

Schwartz agreed the real money for casinos in esports tournaments comes from ancillary spending on food, drinks and hotel rooms.

The Caesars video tournament offered \$200,000 in prize money, including a \$70,000 top prize, that lured players like Jose Mavo, of Charlotte, North Carolina, who has been playing competitively for a decade and has become a casino customer as a result of being in tournaments hosted by gambling halls.

"We had a tournament in Vegas, and that was the first time I went to a casino, so ever since then, I've been gambling quite a bit," he said, listing blackjack and roulette as favorites.

Alec Collins, of Piedmont, South Carolina, who goes by the competitive name Shock, is only 18, so he's three years away from gambling legally. But it's something he'd like to try then.

"I love Atlantic City so in a few years I would definitely come back and experience the casino a little bit," he said.

Until then, he added, referring to the video game competition, "We're just here to shoot our guns."

Wall Street sees growth potential in esports.

Deloitte Global pegged the worldwide esports market last year at \$500 million, up from \$400 million in 2015, and estimated the industry has a global in-person or online audience of nearly 150 million people a year.

Newzoo, a company following the esports market, predicted in a report that esports will generate nearly \$700 million this year, including media rights, ticket and merchandise sales, brand partnerships and game maker investments. The company projects that figure will surpass the \$1.5 billion mark by 2019.

One of the biggest supporters of esports among casino owners is Seth Schorr, CEO of the Downtown Grand in Las Vegas, whose casino regularly hosts video game tournaments that, he said, "make a little bit of money." But Schorr said the tournaments offer other revenue opportunities, including suites for groups and meal packages.

"Is it the silver bullet? Of course not," he said. "Is it one tactic in an overall strategy? Of course it is."



*In this March 31, 2017 photo, video game players compete against one another in an esports tournament at Caesars casino in Atlantic City, N.J. Casinos are slowly embracing esports as a way to help their bottom line, but so far, the money is coming from renting hotel rooms to the young players and selling them food and drinks, not from turning them into gamblers.*

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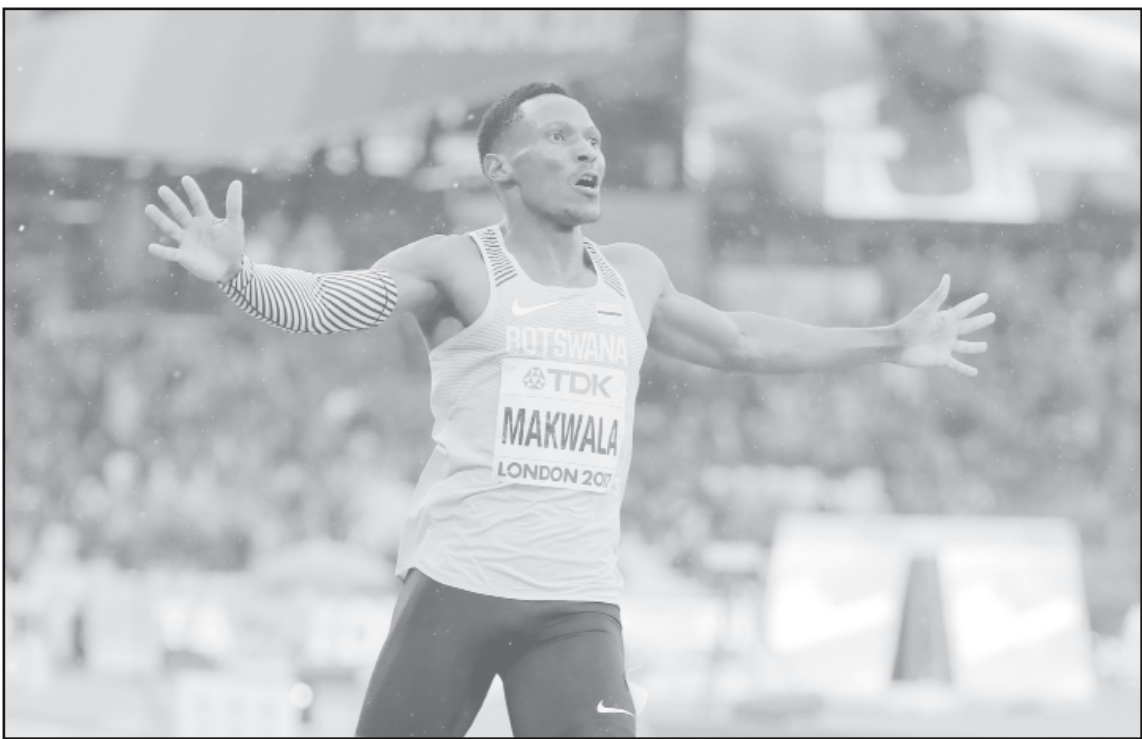
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Botswana's Isaac Makwala celebrates after finishing a Men's 200m individual time trial during the World Athletics Championships in London Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017. Makwala ran an individual time trial to qualify for the 200m semi-finals after he missed the 200m heats and the 400m final as he was barred from competing for 48 hours while organisers tried to halt a norovirus outbreak.

(AP Photo/David J. Phillip)

**Welcome back: Makwala stops,  
drops and sprints at worlds**

LONDON (AP) — Turns out, Isaac Makwala is healthy. Really healthy, in fact.

So healthy, that after getting called back to the stadium for a surprise command performance at the world championships Wednesday, he ran two 200-meter sprints — the first all alone on the track — qualified for the final and even dropped to the ground and pumped out five pushups near the finish line.

Any more questions?  
“I’m running with anger,” Makwala said. “I have no point to prove because I know myself. I’m fit. I know I’m a great athlete. I believe in myself.”

The Botswanan sprinter’s plight became the cause celebre of the championships when he threw up before the start of the 200-meter preliminaries Monday, was determined to be among the handful of athletes afflicted with the stomach flu and was barred from the stadium for 48 hours to lower the risk of infecting other runners.

All along, Makwala insisted he was not sick. One of his managers, Sander Ogink, told The Associated Press it was simply a case of nerves.

“As you probably know, athletes throw up when they’re nervous,” Ogink said.

But the IAAF held firm, and Makwala was scratched from both his 200-meter heat and the 400-meter final, where he could’ve been the main challenger Tuesday to the eventual gold medalist, Wayde van Niekerk.

After further review, and another visit from the doctor, the IAAF determined that while it couldn’t do anything about the 400 — Makwala showed up to the stadium for it Tuesday but was turned away — it could try to right one wrong. He was asked back for Wednesday’s action.

He opened the proceedings on a dreary, rain-drenched night by lining up in Lane 7

with nobody else on the track. His goal was to beat the slowest non-automatic qualifying time from the day before — 20.53 seconds — and after he crossed in 20.20, he dropped and gave ‘em five, snapped off a salute to the crowd, then hustled off to get ready for the semifinals.

Back out in the rain two hours later for that race, Makwala finished second to earn his berth in Thursday’s final.

His best race is the 400. His only chance now, though, will come in the 200.

“I’m still running with my heart broken,” he said. “I was ready to run. I don’t know who made the decision. Four-hundred meters is my reason for training.”

For the past several months, America’s top name in the women’s game, Allyson Felix, could say the same. She dropped all the other distances with an eye on the 400 and a chance to right a wrong from last year’s Olympics. There, she was neck-and-neck with Shaunae Miller at the finish, when Miller dove over the finish line and grabbed the gold out of Felix’s grasp.

This year, the finish was strange in a different way.

Miller (now Miller-Uibo after she got married in February) was far in front as she made the final turn, but she pulled up lame with 30 meters left, and was practically dragging her left foot to the finish line. Felix was in second but struggling, and through the gap in Lane 6 burst another American, Phyllis Francis, whose personal best time of 49.92 seconds was good for gold.

Felix ended up with bronze to move into a tie with Usain Bolt and Merlene Ottey with 14 overall world medals. Miller-Uibo limped home to fourth.

“At the finish line I was surprised. I thought I was second or third,” Francis said, “but then they told me ‘You are first.’ That is crazy.”



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In this combination photo of images taken, Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017, and released by Ann Kaplan, former University of Maine runner Jesse Orach, is helped across the finish line by fellow competitor Robert Gomez, of Windham, Maine, photo at left, and Orach collapses after reaching the finish line at the 20th Beach to Beacon 10K road race in Cape Elizabeth, Maine.


(Ann Kaplan via AP)

# Struggling runner crosses finish line with competitor’s help

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — A competitor who collapsed short of the finish line at Maine’s Beach to Beacon 10K managed to complete the race with the help of a fellow runner. Former University of Maine runner Jesse Orach (OH-ruck) says he thought the race was over for him Saturday until he felt someone pick him up. Robert Gomez helped Orach to his feet, and together they crossed the finish line. Then, Orach collapsed again. The touching moment created a social media buzz. Gomez told the Portland Press Herald that Orach “gave it more than I did” and deserved to be the top Maine finisher. They both finished in 31 minutes, 31 seconds. Orach said he suffered a heat stroke with his core body temperature reaching 107.3 degrees. The humidity Saturday was around 90 percent.

# Spike Lee promotes NYC rally for Colin Kaepernick

NEW YORK (AP) — Spike Lee is promoting a planned rally for free agent quarterback Colin Kaepernick. Lee tweeted an advertisement for the rally scheduled for Aug. 23 outside the NFL’s headquarters in New York City. The ad misspells Kaepernick’s name, omitting the first “e.” Lee says on Twitter he didn’t organize the protest, but adds that he supports Kaepernick and “His Stance On The Injustices In The USA.” The rally is being organized by several civil rights groups. The former San Francisco 49er became a topic of national conversation last year for choosing to kneel instead of stand for the national anthem, citing police violence.




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## Longtime AP skiing photographer Trovati dies at 73

MILAN (AP) — Armando Trovati, a longtime photographer for The Associated Press and skiing beat expert, has died. He was 73.

After a lengthy illness, Trovati died of lung cancer on Sunday at his home in Milan surrounded by family and friends, his son Alessandro Trovati said.

Trovati started with the AP as a teenager, working in Milan as a messenger and dark room assistant.

After working his way up to staff photographer, Trovati documented news events such as the Red Brigades gang, soccer World Cups and the skiing World Cup virtually from its inception in the 1960s.

After three decades with the AP, Trovati, who was Italian, left to start his own private photo agency — Pentaphoto — but still covered skiing worldwide for the AP.

One of the toughest sports for photographers to cover due to the high speeds involved and extreme weather conditions, the affable Trovati taught the trade to a generation of photographers, including AP Milan staffer Luca Bruno and Reuters Italy photo chief Stefano Relandini, his nephew.

After covering Olympics

and world championships for decades, Trovati crowned his career by being named Chief of Photography for all sports at the 2006 Turin Olympics with the games' organizing committee.

One of Trovati's more memorable photos came at the 1975 skiing World Cup finals in Val Gardena, when the battle for the overall title between Gustavo Thoeni and Ingemar Stenmark went down to a parallel race.

"I kept on shifting my lens back and forth between Thoeni and Stenmark and I was able to capture both Stenmark going out and Thoeni then winning within a split second of each other," Trovati said when recounting the event.

Trovati also documented the entire career of three-time Olympic champion Alberto Tomba, becoming friendly with the Italian and even helping to protect the skier from invasive paparazzi at nightly celebrations.

The pipe-smoking Trovati concluded his career by capturing images of the golden age of the U.S. Ski Team, led by Bode Miller and Lindsey Vonn.

Trovati is survived by his wife, Roberta, two sons Alessandro and Marco — who have taken over his photo agency — and two grandsons.

## Prosecutor: Tiger Woods to plead guilty to reckless driving

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Tiger Woods has agreed to plead guilty to reckless driving and will enter a diversion program that will allow him to have his record wiped clean if he completes the program, a prosecutor said Wednesday.

Woods, 41, was charged with driving under the influence in May when he was found asleep in his Mercedes-Benz, apparently under the influence of a prescription painkiller and sleeping medication. No alcohol was found in his system.

Woods did not appear at the Palm Beach County courthouse for his arraignment. Prosecutor Adrienne Ellis said the golf superstar agreed to plead guilty at an Oct. 25 hearing and enter the county's program for first-time DUI offenders.

"He is not being treated any different than anyone else," Ellis said.

Woods' attorney, Douglas Duncan, entered a not guilty plea to the DUI charge on Woods' behalf and declined comment as he left the courthouse.

Under the plea deal, prosecutors would drop the DUI charge, which is a more severe charge than reckless driving. If he completes the program, he can ask

a judge to expunge the reckless driving conviction.

In the diversion program, Woods will spend a year on probation, pay a \$250 fine and court costs, attend DUI school and perform 50 hours of community service. He would also have to attend a workshop where victims of impaired drivers detail how their lives were damaged and face other conditions. Since the program began four years ago, almost 2,400 defendants have enrolled, according to the Palm Beach County State Attorney's Office.

If convicted of DUI, Woods would have faced a fine of between \$500 and \$1,000, had his car impounded for 10 days and other conditions. He also could have been jailed for up to six months, although that was unlikely, received probation and lost his driver's license for six months to a year.

The DUI arrest was the first time Woods had been in trouble since Thanksgiving weekend 2009, when he plowed his SUV into a tree and a fire hydrant outside his then-Windermere, Florida, home. That led to revelations that he had multiple extramarital affairs and a divorce from his wife Elin Nordegren, the mother of his two

children. He spent 45 days in a Mississippi clinic where he was treated for sex addiction.

Woods was arrested at 2 a.m. May 29 about 15 miles from his home in Jupiter, Florida, when officers found him unconscious in his Mercedes-Benz, which was parked awkwardly on the side of the road and had damage to the driver's side. It's not clear how he damaged the car. Officers checked the area but didn't find that he had hit anything.

Woods didn't know where he was when asked by officers, and he stumbled and swayed through a field sobriety test, police dashboard camera video showed. Woods told officers he was taking the painkiller Vicodin and Xanax, which treats anxiety and insomnia, to cope with his fourth back surgery in April.

Woods announced last month he had completed treatment at an out-of-state clinic to deal with his use of prescription medications.

His 79 PGA Tour victories and 14 major titles both rank No. 2 all-time. He has not competed since February because of his back injury and is not expected to return this year. His last win was in August 2013.



**FILE** - In this Feb. 2, 2017, file photo, Tiger Woods reacts on the 10th hole during the first round of the Dubai Desert Classic golf tournament in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The attorney for Woods says the golfer will not attend his arraignment on a driving under the influence charge. Under court rules, Woods, "attorney can enter a not guilty plea on his behalf Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017. Any other plea would require Woods, "attendance.

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# Jamaica overcomes the hurdles, finally gets its gold

LONDON (AP) — The tune blaring across the stadium sound system was unmistakable: “Jamming” by Bob Marley. The flag the winner paraded around the track was familiar, too: The black, green and gold cross of Jamaica.

That 110-meter hurdler Omar McLeod was at the center of this celebration Monday wasn’t all that big a surprise. That McLeod was the first from the island to do the honors at this year’s world championships still feels like something of a shock.

The 23-year-old from Kingston did what Usain Bolt and Elaine Thompson could not the previous nights in the 100 meters — namely, powered toward the finish line and left the field behind to bring a gold medal home to a country that has come to expect nothing less.

“I took it upon myself to reroute that and bring that spark back,” said McLeod, who adds this gold medal to his Olympic title from last year. “I’m happy I did that.”

McLeod won in 13.04 seconds, while the world-record holder, American Aries Merritt, finished fifth. It marked the first disappointment of the meet for the U.S. on a straightaway where Justin Gatlin and Tori Bowie won the 100 and Christian Coleman finished second to Gatlin and one spot ahead of Bolt.

The U.S. got shut out of the

medals in the 110 hurdles for the first time since the world championships were first contested in 1983. That, plus the unlikely notion of McLeod, not Bolt, breaking the ice at the top of the podium for Jamaica were Exhibits 1 and 1a of why they run the races.

“Everyone in the hurdling game is hurdling well,” said Merritt, who was competing in his first major competition since a kidney transplant after the 2015 worlds. “The event is much deeper than it has been in a long time.”

Sergey Shubenkov of Russia finished .1 seconds behind McLeod for the silver medal, though that prize will go in nobody’s column.

Shubenkov came in as the defending world champion, but was not able to compete at the Olympics last year because of the doping scandal that has engulfed his country. He is one of 19 Russians cleared to compete in London this year — his anti-doping regimen judged to be robust enough to return to competition.

But with Russia’s track federation still suspended, all 19 of the Russians are competing as neutral athletes. They are wearing aqua, red and pink uniforms with no hint of the Russian flag or any other Russian symbol.

“Not a big deal,” Shubenkov said. “There are a lot of people in my hometown, it’s 4 or 5

a.m., and they’re not sleeping. It means a lot for my family. It means a lot for every person in my country that was watching it, supporting me. The color of the vest doesn’t matter.”

Asked whether doping is still a problem in his home country, Shubenkov insisted “not only in Russia but worldwide.”

“I’m not into the subject, really,” he said. “Since my clearance, I got into my training and I’m not as much into the news as I was last year.”

Other gold medalists Monday were Venezuela’s Yulimar Rojas in the triple jump and Poland’s Anita Włodarczyk in the hammer throw.

Kenya’s Faith Kipyegon won the 1,500 meters, while Caster Semenya moved from fifth to third over the last 50 meters to capture the bronze — along with a position behind a microphone for the medalists’ news conference.

The IAAF is looking to reinstate an overturned ban on Semenya, claiming her higher-than-normal testosterone levels give her an unfair advantage over the other women.

It’s an issue playing out in hearing rooms, and it could be resolved by early next year. Pressed, as she often is in these circumstances, about a case that has been in the headlines for nearly a decade, she said she was unconcerned. “It’s their business, not mine,” she said.

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Jamaica’s Omar Mcleod, left, crosses the line to win the gold medal in the men’s 110-meter hurdles final during the World Athletics Championships in London Monday, Aug. 7, 2017. Right is Russia’s Sergey Shubenkov.

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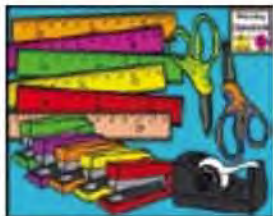


Indian boxing and WBO Asia-Pacific Super Middleweight champion Vijender Singh, left, fights with WBO Oriental Super Middleweight champion of China Zulpikar Maimaitiali, right, during their fight for the double title in Mumbai, India, Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017. (AP Photo/Rafiq Maqbool)



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## Indian boxer beats Chinese rival but doesn't want his belt

NEW DELHI (AP) — Indian boxer Vijender Singh won his fight on Saturday and then offered to give his Chinese opponent's belt back in a gesture of peace between the two rival nations. The fight against China's Zulpikar Maimaitiali went all 10 rounds with Singh the winner in a unanimous verdict — 96-93, 95-94, 95-94.

Singh successfully defended his WBO Asia Pacific super middleweight title and also took his opponent's WBO Oriental super middleweight belt.

Singh hugged top Bollywood star Amitabh Bachchan and other celebrities among fans at the National Sports Club of India in Mumbai, the country's financial and entertainment capital. Singh then came back into the ring, took the microphone and said: "I don't want this title. I will give it back to Zulpikar." He added: "I don't want tension on the border. It's a message of peace. That's important." The countries have been involved in a lingering dispute over a contested region high in the Himalayas where China, India and Bhutan meet.



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# Tali Rev. Amaama i le talosaga Ekalesia Aoao e fa’aleaoga ai lana tagi

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Ua i luma nei o le Vaega Iloilo o le Fa’amasinoga Maua-luga a Amerika Samoa le tali a Rev. Amaama Tofaeono, tauala atu i lana loia fautua ia Charles Alailima, fa’asaga i le talosaga a le Laulauafono a le Ekalesia Aoao a le EFKAS fa’apea ai ma le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina, ina ia fa’aleaoga lana tagi lea ua tu’uina atu e talosagaina ai se poloaiga a le fa’amasinoga e fa’atulaga loa se iloiloiga e saili ai le moni o mau a le Ekalesia fa’asaga ia te ia.

Na taua e Rev. Amaama i lana tali e fa’apea, o le autu o le talosaga ua tuuina atu e le Ekalesia Aoao i le fa’amasinoga, ina ia taofia ai le fa’amasinoga mai lona iloiloiga ma le toto’a o le mataupu lea na fa’avae ai le latou fa’aiuga fa’asaga ia te ia.

E le gata i lea, ua taumafai fo’i sui ta’itasi o le Ekalesia ina ia taofia le fa’amasinoga, mai lona iloiloiga o fa’amaumauga a le Ekalesia ina ia manino ai, poo i ai i le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina le malosi o loo i le Laulauafono a le Ekalesia Aoao e faia ai le fa’aiuga e pei ona faia ia Rev.

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Le taimi e asia ai Tama ma Tina matutua o lo o tausia i totonu o le Hope House e mafutaga ma Ekalesia eseese i le atunu’u.

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Tama Matutua o lo o tausia i le Hope House i Tafuna

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## Fa’aauau pea ona tu’uina atu fesoasoani mo le Hope House i Tafuna

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A o sauni atu ai le nofoaga o le Hope House a le Ekalesia Katoliko mo le fa’amanatuina o le 30 tausaga talu ona tatalaina lana tautua i Amerika Samoa i le masina fou, o lo o fa’aauau pea ona tauaao e le Komiti Fa’afoe a le Hope House fesoasoani tupe ma foa’i mai soo se vaega mai le atunu’u lautele fa’apea ai Fa’alapopotoga ma Pisinisi Tumaoti.

E ese mai i le ulua’i foa’i tupe e \$10,000 mai le Faletupe a Hawai’i, lea na tu’uina atu i le masina na te’a nei o se tasi o ana fesoasoani fai fai pea mo le Hope House talu mai le 14 tausaga ua mavae, o le vaiaso na te’a nei na tauaaoina ai e le Komiti Fa’afoe isi fo’i foa’i tetele mai le atunu’u.

E \$10,000 le foa’i tupe na tu’uina atu e le Mafutaga a Tina a le Pulega Samoa Pago Pago, ae \$2,500 le foa’i mai le kamupani la’uolooa a le Matson Shipping Line i totonu o le atunu’u.

O Ta’ita’i o le Ekalesia Katoliko fa’apea ai ma le Komiti Fa’afoe o lo o gafa ma le tapenaina o lenei fa’amoemoe, na fai ma sui o Tama ma Tina matutua faapea ai fanau o lo o tausialelei i lalo o le auaunaga a le Hope House e taliaina lenei foa’i taua.

I le saunoaga a le afioga ia Mosiniolo Viane Etuale, o ia fo’i lea o le Faifefau mo le Mafutaga a Tina ma sui o le Komiti Fa’afoe i le taimi na latou foa’i atu ai le siaki tupe i le Komiti Fa’afoe, sa latou taua ai lo latou naunau pea e fa’atino mea silisili e fesoasoani ai i le

fa’amanatuina o le Iupeli Siliva a le Hope House i lenei tausaga.

Na manino i le saunoaga e fa’afetaia ai sui o le Mafutaga a Tina, e le o se taimi muamua lea ua latou tu’uina atu se fesoasoani mo le Hope House i auala e fa’aleleia ai la latou tautua i soo se itu.

O le Ta’ita’ifono o le Komiti Fa’afoe o tapenaga o le Iupeli Siliva ia Larry Sanitoa na fai ma sui o le Ekalesia e fa’afetaia ai le foa’i a le kamupani la’uolooa a le Matson, lea na fai ai le susuga a Lanu Penn ma le susuga a John Pereira, o le sui o le kamupani a le Molida Shipping Agency i le atunu’u la te momoliina atu le fesoasoani.

O le kamupani la’uolooa a le Matson na amataina lana tautua i Amerika Samoa i le tausaga e 2013, mo le fela’uina mai o oloa mai Niu Sila atoa ai ma isi atumotu o le Pasefika e aofia ai ma Amerika Samoa.

O le tausaga e 2016 na amata aloaia ai loa lana tautua i le la’uina sa’o mai lea o oloa mai Amerika i totonu o le teritori, e aofia ai ma le setete o Hawai’i. E pei ona taua e Sanitoa, o le kamupani la’u oloa a le Matson o se tasi lea o kamupani la’uolooa lauiloa i totonu o Amerika, ua maua luga lona tomai atoa ai ma le fa’atuatuaina i tulaga o le fela’ua’iina o oloa.

O le agaga fa’afetai a le Komiti Faafae e pei ona saunoa Sanitoa, o le tulaga o lo o i ai le lagolago atu a le atunu’u, fa’alapopotoga aemaise ai o pisinisi, i lo latou naunau lea e fesoasoani i le fa’atupeina o le fa’amoemoe a le Hope House.



# Tali Rev. Amaama...

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Amaama, atoa ai ma le tau-mafai ina ia alo mai le tagi lea ua fa’aulu fa’asaga ia te i latou, ona o tu’uaiga ua ta’uvalea ai le igoa o Rev. Amaama. O se tasi o fa’afinauga a le itu tagi, e leai se malosi o le fa’amasinoga i lalo o le tulafono na te ilolioina ai mataupu e fitoitonu lava i le Ekalesia ma ana faiga fa’avae.

E talitonu Rev. Amaama e pei ona taua i se vaega o lana tali, e le tatau i le Ekalesia ona latou finau i le fa’amasinoga e fa’aleaoga lana talosaga mo se iloiloga autu o lenei mataupu, ona o i latou lea na taulamua i le mataupu atoa lenei, ina ua latou faila le tagi i le fa’amasinoga mo se poloaiga e fa’atula’i ese ai o ia mai le maota o le galuega.

“E tatau ona avea pea le fa’amasinoga ma vaega tumaoti i le taimi e finauina ai aia i va o ni itu se lua, i le taimi e tula’i mai ai ni fetena’iga.

I le avea ai la ma vaega tumaoti, e tatau i le fa’amasinoga ona matua iloilo mae’ae’a fa’amatalaga uma e tu’uina atu e itu e lua, ina ia mautinoa ai e mae’a le fa’atinoina o lana galuega”, o se vaega lea o le tali a Rev. Amaama.

O lo o taua atili fo’i i le tali a le itu tete’e e fa’apea, ina ua faila e le Ekalesia le talosaga e fa’atula’i ese ai Rev. Amaama, pau le malosi o le fa’amasinoga e tatau ona o o i ai, o le tula’i mai lea e pei o se tasi na te fa’amalosia le fa’aiuga a le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina, ma, afai e talitonu le fa’amasinoga e pau lea o le tulaga e oo i ai lona malosi, o le mea mautinoa ua soli e le fa’amasinoga vaega o le Fa’avae a le malo tele o Amerika ma Amerika Samoa i tulaga o le fa’atula’iina o tapuaiga.

E talitonu Rev. Amaama, e le tatau i le fa’amasinoga ona ia faia lea tulaga, e ala i le musu e iloilo toto’a mau fa’amaonia uma o lo o siomia ai le fa’aiuga lea ua faia e fa’atula’i ese ai o ia mai le tofiga o le Failautusi Aoa o le Ekalesia.

O se tasi o fa’afinauga a le itu tagi, o lo o i ai i vaega o le Fa’avae a le Ekalesia tulaga e le mafai ai ona iloilo tulaga ma fa’aiuga e tu’uina atu e le Ekalesia i ana Faifeau, peita’i na taua e Rev. Amaama i lana tali e fa’apea, e le o le autu o le tagi o le fesiligia lea o le fa’aiuga ua

faia ia te ia, ae o le autu atoa o le tagi, poo ai e i ai le malosi e faia ai le fa’aiuga e aveese le tofi o le faifeau fa’au’u atoa ai ma le tofi o le Failautusi Aoa mai ia te ia. E talitonu Rev. Amaama, e na o le Ekalesia Aoa o le taimi o lana fonotele e i ai le malosi e faia ai fa’aiuga fa’apenei, ae le mafai e le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina.

Na toe faapupula e le itu tete’e e fa’apea, o le Ekalesia Aoa o lana Fonotele na fili-filia ai Rev. Amaama e avea ma Failautusi Aoa mo le 4 tausaga. Afai la e talitonu le fa’amasinoga e le mafai e le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina ona faia le fa’aiuga e aveese ai le tofi o le faifeau fa’au’u ma le Failautusi Aoa mai ia Rev. Amaama, lona uiga e le tatau ona taliaina le talosaga a le itu tagi ina ia fa’aleaoga lana talosaga.

O se tasi o itu o lo o fa’amamafa e Rev. Amaama i lana tali, o mau na fa’avae ai le fa’aiuga a le Au Toeaiina e fa’amalolo o ia mai le tofi, fa’avae mai lea i le molimau sa tu’uina atu e Rev. Fa’aeteete Saifoloi, o se totino o le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina.

E talitonu le itu tete’e, o fa’amatalaga sa faia e Rev. Saifoloi, e le gata ua ta’uleagaina ai lona igoa ta’uleleia, ae matua leai lava ni fa’avae e lagolagoina ai ma fa’amaonia.

E talitonu atili le itu tete’e e fa’apea, ua a’afia le Ekalesia Aoa ona o gaioiga ua faia e le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina, ni isi o Toeaiina fa’apea ai tagata Ekalesia, e ala i lo latou sopo atu i le tulaga e le tatau ona oo i ai lo latou malosi.

O lo o taumafai pea le itu tete’e i se auala fa’aeteete e sailia ai i latou sa faia fa’amatalaga le moni ma le tau fa’aleaga, lea ua mafua ai lenei mataupu, ina ia taofia ai le a’afia atu ai fua o ni isi o le Au Toeaiina ma tagata lotu e le o i ai so latou a’afiaga i lenei mataupu, ae ua ta’ita’i seseina atu ai fua ma i latou.

I le fa’aiuga o le tali a le itu tete’e, ua talosagaina ai le fa’amasinoga ina ia teena le talosaga a le Ekalesia e fa’aleaogaina ai lana tagi ua fa’aulu i luma o le fa’amasinoga.



## tusia: Leua Aiono Frost TOATELE LE MAUA SIAKI TOTOGI I LE OFISA O AOGA

E to’atele nisi o faia’oga a le Matagaluega o A’oga ua toe le maua fo’i latou siaki totogi i le aso sa tatau ona totogi i le aso Gafua na te’a nei. O nisi fo’i o i latou e le’i maua atu latou siaki totogi e fa’auia atu i latou tusi tupe ma talaina i tua e pei ona masani ai. I le taimi nei, ua fa’ailoa atu ia i latou, e fa’atalia le aso Tofi po’o le aso Faraile e maua ai latou siaki totogi. E le o le taimi muamua lea na tula’i mai ai mea fa’apenei i nisi lava fo’i o tagata faigaluega a le Matagaluega o A’oga. I le lua masina talu ai, na fa’atalia ai fo’i e nisi o le aufaigaluega a lea matagaluega latou siaki, ae ua le maua. O nisi o i latou, ua fa’ato’a atoa ai lea o le tausaga talu ona faigaluega i lea matagaluega. Ona fa’ailoa mai lea, e masalo o lo’o va’ai toto’a i ai le fa’auluuluga o le matagaluega, aua ua atoa i ai le tausaga talu ona faigaluega. Ina ua o’o atu i le aso Faraile sa fa’atalia e maua ai, ae toe fai ane i ai, e tatalia ia le isi taimi e maua ai le latou siaki totogi. Ona o’o lea i lona aso totogi, ua maua na’o le siaki sa’o lava o lona lua vaiaso, ae o le siaki sa misia, sa fa’ato’a maua i le aso Tofi ua tolu i ai vaiaso talu ona fa’atalia le toe fa’aa’e ane o lona siaki mo le sui faigaluega.

Pe afai e maua ai fo’i le vasega o faia’oga o lo’o a’afia i lenei vaiaso totogi, ae o lo ua silafia e i latou ua a’afia i lenei fa’aletonu, e le na’o outou ua o’o i na tiga. Ina ua maua mai lea fanoga, na taumafai e fa’afeso’ota’i le Fa’atonu o A’oga Ruth Matagi, sui fa’atonu ae maise fo’i o le fa’atonu o Matagaluega o tagata Faigaluega a le Malo, ua o gatasi lava i leai o se tali mai e fa’amanino ai lea mataupu.

O le pagatia o le le totogia o pili, ae maise o le fia maua o se tupe e fa’atau ai mea’ai a aiga o nei sui o a’afia, e le faigofie ai lagona.

## SGT. ALBERT CHUNG, MALIU I LE SAMI O ALEGA

Ua faalauiloa mai nei le suafa, Sgt Albert Chung, o se ali’i fitafita a le US Army, 32 tausaga o lona soifua, na maliu i le sami o Alega i le aso Sa na te’a nei, a’o maua i latou i lea ogasami. O le ali’i fitafita o se tasi na soifua a’e i Amerika peita’i o lona tupuaga e mai Korea. Na fa’ato’a to’ai taunu’u mai o ia i Amerika Samoa i le afiafi o le aso Faraile na te’a, ma o lo’o auai mai o ia i nisi sa auina mai e fesoasoani i le fa’aulufaleina o fanau a Amerika Samoa ua mae’a faatauto e tautua i le USArmy. O le fa’alua ai lea ona o’o mai Chung i le teritori, ae o lo’o tautua o ia i le Army i Korea. Fa’ailoa mai e MSgt Eric Mills, o ia lea e fa’auluulu i ai le aumalaga fesoasoani a le Army lea sa sau ai Chung, “O lenei ali’i fitafita, o se tasi e faigaluega lelei tele, ma e fa’alogo i fa’atonuga, e faia ona tiute ma le fa’amaoni. O se tasi o le a misia i le matou galuega.” “O Chung o se tasi ua fai sina uma o avea ma se tasi e matou te faigaluega fa’atasi lava i le faaulufaleina o fanau i le USArmy i le Pasefika, ma sa a’oa’oina fa’atasi lava i ma’ua i nei ituaiga o faiva.”

“O le fa’afa ai lea ona o’o Chung i Alega ma o na taimi uma lava sa a’ua’u ma maua ai i latou. O se tasi o mea ua matou fiasia tele e faia, peita’i, e le mailoa lava mea fa’apenei e tutupu mai, ma maumau ai se uo mamae ia te’i matou uma.”

E to’alima i latou na o i Alega mo le latou mea masani ona fai. Na latou fa’atalia le tai se’i sua mai, peita’i, a’o latou fa’atalitali ma talanoa fa’asamasamanoa, ae ua tete’i i le sau o se tasi o latou uo ma fa’ailoa o lo ua i ai se faaletonu ua tupu ia Chung.

Na fa’ailoa le agaga fa’afetai o Mills i le taumafaiga a Candyman, ina ia fa’asaoina mai le ola o Chung, faatasi ai fo’i ma ia, aua sa tafea ese atu fo’i o ia, ma sa matala ese mai ona seevae a’au. Sa ia fa’ailoa mai, atonu lava sa i ai mea sa tatau ona latou faia, ia fa’asaoina mai ai le tupu o lea fa’alavelave matuia mai le amataga, peita’i, i le taimi nei, ua ia te’i latou le agaga fa’anoanoa ona ua

motusia le mafutaga ma se tasi o i latou sa latou tautua fa’atasi ma iloa lelei i le latou olaga i le Army. Ua tapena le USArmy ina ia malaga fa’apitoa ai se tasi o ta’ita’i iloga o le Vaega Au ina ia auina atu le tino maliu o Chung i lona aiga.

## FA’AFAIGALUEGA E LE MALO UNA’IA MATAUPU MEDICAID

Ua fa’afaigaluegaina fa’akonekarate e le malo o Amerika Samoa ia Betty Lou Taylor, o se tasi e agava’a i mataupu o le Medicaid, na te una’ia lenei mataupu i le malo fetarale. O lea fa’ai’uga na faia i le lua masina ua te’a e Kovana Lolo Moliga, ina ua matauina, o le a tuai gaioiga e tau fa’asaoina mai ai alagatupe Medicaid for Amerika Samoa ae maise o se agava’a e mo’omia tele i le taimi nei. Na fesiligia le Fa’atonu o le Medicaid o le tatou atunu’u, Tofoitaua Sandra Young mo se fa’amatalaga pe aisea sa le fa’aaogaina ai lea tinoitupe a’o lava le taimi e fa’aaoga ai mo le to’atele o gasegase e fia auina atu i fafo. O sana tali mai, “E le o i ai se tupe e toina mai e le Malo, ina ia totogia ai le 45% e ao ina totogia e le ASG mo pili o tagata gasegase e auina atu i fafo a le Malo. A le maua mai lea vaega tupe a le tatou Malo, e le mafai lava ona fa’aaogaina lea tinoitupe ua mae’a fa’amauiina mo le tatou falema’i e le Medicaid.”

O le fa’apupulaga, o le 55% pasene o le 80% e totogia e le Medicaid mo pili uma lava o tagata mama’i e auina atu i fafo mo togafitiga, lea e maua ai lea faitau miliona o lo’o fa’amauiina mo Amerika Samoa ma e mae’a le taimi e tatau ona fa’aaogaina ai i le 2019. O le taumafaiga ia toe fa’aopoopo atu se taimi e mafai ai ona fa’aaogaina lea vaega tupe, e tatau ona una’ia malosi i le CMS, lea la ua fa’afaigaluegaina ai Taylor, o se tamaita’i loia mai le itu a le Ripapilikana, ma e aoga e galulue fa’atasi ma le Faipule i le Konekeresi, Aumua Amata i Uosigitone, ina ia maua’a mai se tali a le CMS e fa’aauau le aoga o lea tinoitupe mai le Medicaid mo le tatou falema’i.



O se vaaiga i foliga lalelei o fanau a le polokalama a le ASCC Land Grant o le 4H Summer Program, lea e faapea o lea faamuta i le aso.

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# IN THE COMMUNITY

(Photos: Leua)



Brazilian soccer star Neymar waves to fans at the Parc des Princes stadium in Paris, Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017, during his official presentation to fans ahead of Paris Saint-Germain's season opening match against Amiens. Neymar would not play in the club's season opener as the French football league did not receive the player's international transfer certificate before Friday's night deadline. The Brazil star became the most expensive player in soccer history after completing his blockbuster transfer from Barcelona for 222 million euros (\$262 million) on Thursday. (AP Photo/Francois Mori)

## Neymar provides pre-match show, with PSG debut put on hold

PARIS (AP) — After lapping up the adulation at the Parc des Princes for 20 minutes, Neymar whipped up fans into an even greater frenzy by removing his Paris Saint-Germain jersey and tossing it into the crowd.

A scramble ensued as Ultras fans in the Auteuil stand tried to grab the 155 euro (\$183) shirt that clung briefly to the torso of the most expensive player in soccer history.

A replacement would not be required on Saturday.

The Brazil forward was only on the pitch to provide the pre-match entertainment before making way for his new teammates to get on with the serious business: opening PSG's bid to regain the French title.

A routine 2-0 victory, against a sturdy but unenterprising Amiens side making its debut in the French top flight, lacked the fanfare of the pre-match festivities. Neymar, the remaining kit replaced by jeans and sweatshirt, played his part in the stands by leaping out of his seat to be filmed celebrating the goals from Edinson Cavani and Javier Pastore.

It will be at least another week before Neymar starts earning PSG back some of the 222 million euros (\$262 million) spent acquiring him from Barcelona through performances on the pitch.

Neymar is now expected to make his debut on Aug. 13 against Guingamp.

"There is anticipation because of the football he plays and his will to show it to the world," said defender Dani Alves, who was advised to join PSG last month by his Brazil teammate. "You take a giant step when you have a player of this level to play against the other teams. This team will take a quality leap forward."

Neymar's debut was delayed because the league did not receive the international transfer certificate before Friday night's deadline despite the move from Barcelona seemingly being completed the previous day.

"The club did everything to have the player's transfer ratified," PSG coach Unai Emery said. "He prepared for the game with the group. We waited until the very end. I don't know if Spain did everything, but PSG did all it could."

Amiens is not the type of fixture that PSG

requires a game-changing dynamo up front like Neymar. Those matches will come down the line once the Champions League starts in September and Neymar is tasked with helping PSG to win European soccer's top prize for the first time.

"I'm happy to be here, I want to win many trophies with you," Neymar said in Portuguese during a brief address to the crowd after arriving on the field surrounded by fireworks being set off. "I will need your support."

There was just one phrase in French from the podium: "Paris est magique."

The magic so far has been in the PSG stores across the French capital, with queues snaking down streets filled with fans eager to snap up replica kits. More than 10,000 Neymar jerseys were sold within a day, PSG said, but the majority of the revenue will go to Nike.

PSG is relying on the player it calls a "brand" to fund his own transfer by attracting sponsors and filing the trophy cabinet.

"The players and the dimension of the club are totally different now and it's good for the club," 30-year-old supporter David Tang said outside the stadium. "All the world knows now that is Paris is in competition with the big teams and we will be competitive with the others like Barcelona, Bayern Munich and Real Madrid."

And unlike at Barcelona, where Neymar was eclipsed by Lionel Messi throughout his four seasons, the 25-year-old Brazilian is the undoubted star in the French capital.

Even Amiens coach Christophe Pelissier was disappointed not to see Neymar in action.

"This can only make our championship more competitive," Pelissier said. "We knew we were going to play against a tremendous team, so we wanted him on the pitch. Hopefully he will be there for the return match."

Instead, the stadium had to savor Neymar's 24-minute pre-match cameo.

After briefly juggling the ball on the podium, Neymar embarked on a lap of the pitch to take in his new surroundings, pausing to pose for pictures and shake the hands of the PSG faithful.

"Neymar," fans chanted. Coming up with a more imaginative chant will take a little longer yet, just like his debut.



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6 Type of therapy  
11 Insane  
14 Betting everything, in poker  
15 Garments for judges  
16 Dispenser type  
17 The friendly soundman tests every set for ...  
19 Fancy pond fish  
20 "Bottoms up!"  
21 Seniors  
23 Entered  
26 Au \_\_\_\_ (in the know)  
27 Muddled the water  
28 Airport area  
29 Non-floodable vessel  
30 Place to get clean  
32 Rugby or cricket, e.g.  
35 One thing to do lively  
37 Calendar fillers  
39 Pitcher  
40 Sainly head toppers  
42 Tall tales  
44 Flying whiz  
45 Surrenders  
47 Sounds the alarm  
49 Moscow native

DOWN

- 51 Bamboo eaters  
52 Best suited  
53 Verb in Exodus  
55 Federal printing org.  
56 A decisive soundman  
61 Ending for "auction" or "ballad"  
62 Like a sluggish gas  
63 Indigenous New Zealander  
64 Alcohol-free  
65 Christmas candy shapes  
66 Shopping binge  
1 Zodiac butter  
2 Boxing legend  
3 Manner, nature or type  
4 Fuel type  
5 More sinuous or curvy  
6 Opera solo  
7 Restaurant freebie, often  
8 \_\_\_\_-Wan Kenobi  
9 Rock in space  
10 Havens  
11 The brave soundman of a war film hates to ...

ACROSS

- 12 Eventual oak tree  
13 Certain person of faith  
18 Connected tightly  
22 Hang decoratively  
23 Collision in traffic  
24 The way to one's heart?  
25 The skeptical soundman loves to read a ...  
26 Scottish beam  
28 London goodbyes  
31 Composer Joseph  
33 Cyma \_\_\_\_ (molding type)  
34 Lock of hair  
36 Composure  
38 Be short with verbally

DOWN

- 41 Pertaining to earth- quakes  
43 Goes downhill in a competition  
46 Woman from Mexico  
48 Catch in a snare  
49 Went nuts with anger  
50 Type of berth or room  
53 Dry and withered  
54 "Best Of" music tracks, often  
57 Boy doll  
58 "... \_\_\_\_ gloom of night"  
59 Cinnabar, for one  
60 Bow or bolo

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Stay focused on your achievements. Monetary gains can be made if you are diligent about finishing what you start. Seeing matters through to the end will help you move forward. Don't let emotions stand in your way.\*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Speak up if you are having second thoughts about getting involved in a joint venture. Don't worry if someone is upset with you for backing out of something that makes you feel uneasy. Do what's best for you. \*\*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't let your emotions interfere with making a good decision. You will have trouble seeing clearly on issues that concern a loved one or a personal change you want to make. Take a moment to rethink your plan before moving forward. \*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Keep your emotions out of the workplace. Use your intuition to help make the best decision regarding a position that interests you. Romance is in the stars and will improve your relationship with someone you love\*\*\*\*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Look for a good investment or rethink your financial strategy. Taking care of your mental, physical and financial needs will help to ease your stress and lead you toward a better lifestyle\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You'll have plenty of good ideas and the chance to show off your capabilities if you participate in activities that are work-related. Don't miss out because someone puts emotional demands on you. Personal improvements will turn out well.\*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Someone will try to restrict what you can and cannot do. Refuse to take on more responsibility without getting something in return for your time and effort. If things aren't going your way, alter how you go about your business\*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Don't let the past ruin your future. Carrying excess forward isn't recommended. Resolve old issues and clear your mind of any negativity that will stifle your dreams. Romance will improve your personal life, but don't try to buy love\*\*\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Be careful where you leave your money, passwords, personal information and possessions. Someone will take advantage of you if you are too generous or eager to lend a helping hand. Ulterior motives are apparent, and so is loss or theft\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't let your emotions limit you. Note what others want but don't feel obligated to get involved or agree to something that isn't in your best interest. Let your intuition help you make the choices that are best for you. \*\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Responsibilities will weigh you down if you take on too much. Enlist the help of someone you have partnered with in the past. You may have to share your returns, but at least you will be able to accomplish your goals. \*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Listen carefully and don't leave out any details when offering answers. It's important to stay on track and offer a clear picture of what you expect and what you are willing to give back. An unusual partnership looks promising. \*\*\*



MOM WANTS DAUGHTER TO FOCUS ON SCHOOL, NOT DAD'S TATTOOS

**DEAR ABBY:** My 22-year-old son is going to visit his father and get his third tattoo. I don't like it, but I can't control my son. He's an adult. His father is retired and lives on his wife's pension. It is my understanding that they are wealthy.

My concern is for our 14-year-old daughter. My ex thinks tattoos are cool, and when he talks to her via Skype, he talks about the next tattoo he is going to get. I'm afraid that when she's 18, he will take her to get a tattoo as a bonding experience. His life is far removed from my daughter's. He is surrounded by actors, entertainers and artists. Our child (hopefully) will have a rich, abundant life in an ordinary way. She is focused on her studies and does well in school because of her efforts. How can I impress upon my not-so-confident, shy child that getting a tattoo is not a good idea? -- MARY IN MISSOURI

**DEAR MARY:** Discouraging your daughter from getting a tattoo should be part of an ongoing conversation. Explain that -- unlike makeup or temporary tats -- the real thing is permanent. Once it's on, there is no going back. It will be there for the rest of her life unless she has it professionally removed. Point out that tattoo removal is not only expensive, but also painful, and her skin will not look the way it did before she got inked -- she will be scarred.

Hopefully, it may make her less susceptible to "bonding" with her father in that way. Ultimately, however, when she's 18 and an adult, she will make her own decision about getting tattooed or remaining ink-free.

**DEAR ABBY:** My brother and sister-in-law have four children, ages 11, 10, 4 and 3. They are financially strapped and can't afford to take the children to entertainment or cultural events because every dime is spent for essentials. I'm financially stable and childless. I take the older children to various activities once every month or so. I don't include the younger ones because they are unruly. I feel somewhat guilty for not including them. However, I want to continue doing it for the older children so they'll be exposed to various events they couldn't see otherwise. Am I wrong for not wanting to be responsible for the younger children, or should I stop taking any of them out to be fair? -- TRYING MY BEST IN THE SOUTH

**DEAR TRYING:** Explain to the parents, if you haven't already, that you would love to include the younger children, but that you are unable to because of their unruly behavior, which you are unable to control. What you're doing is not "unfair"; it is wise. If you were to take all four and not be able to control them, one of the little ones could be seriously injured.

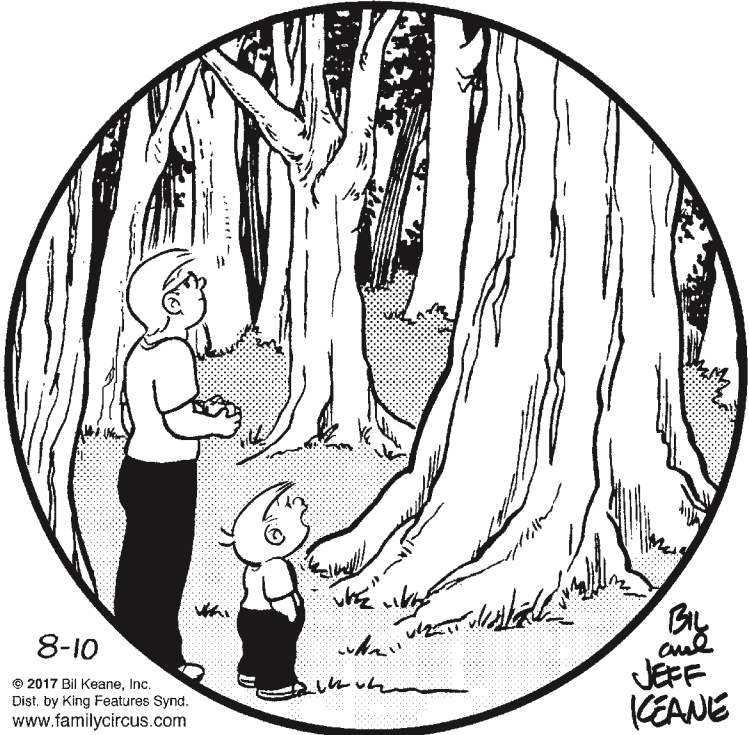
Think of some other way you can make the younger children feel special. Perhaps taking them to a park occasionally would make them feel less left out.

IT'S THE SOUND, MAN By Timothy E. Parker

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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"Wow! You'd need a LOT of rope to hang a swing from that one!"



**Ripley's Believe It or Not!**

WANTED MAN **BENJAMIN PARTRIDGE** OF BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND, DECIDED TO TURN HIMSELF IN TO THE POLICE, BUT AFTER WAITING 45 MINUTES FOR THEM TO ARRIVE, HE BECAME BORED AND LEFT.

Submitted By Dan Paulon, W. Lafayette, OH.

IN 2015, SAUDI ARABIA'S KING SALMAN BOOKED THE ENTIRE FOUR SEASONS HOTEL IN GEORGETOWN — IT HAS 222 ROOMS AND IS ONE OF THE MOST LUXURIOUS HOTELS IN WASHINGTON!

Submitted By Dan Paulon, W. Lafayette, OH.

J.R.R. TOLKIEN'S GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER, **RUTH TOLKIEN**, IS THE ONLY BLIND COMPETITIVE FENCER IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

IT'S GOOD TO BE THE KING.

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**Calvin & Hobbes** ©

by Bill Watterson

WHEN'S THIS RAIN GOING TO LET UP? I DON'T KNOW, CALVIN. HEY, CHEER UP, GANG! I PACKED STORM GEAR. "ALWAYS BE PREPARED," YOU KNOW. THESE PONCHOS ARE SUPER. THEY'RE THERMAL-SEALED LIGHTWEIGHT NYLON, LAMINATED WITH FLEXIBLE URETHANE FOR COMPLETE WATER PROTECTION! YEAH, DAD. IT'S GREAT THAT WE WON'T GET WETTER THAN WE ALREADY ARE. ZINC OXIDE, THONGS, TANNING LOTION... WRONG DUFFEL BAG. LET'S SEE, WHICH ONE OF THESE WAS IT?

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**PEANUTS** ©

by Charles M. Schultz

THEY MAKE ME SO MAD IN THAT STORE! THEY NEVER WAIT ON LITTLE KIDS! I STOOD THERE FOR FORTY-FIVE MINUTES, AND THEY NEVER PAID ANY ATTENTION TO ME! I HOPE YOUR ESCALATOR JAMS! I HOPE ALL THE BLACKTOP IN YOUR PARKING LOT CRACKS! THE ANGRY CONSUMER

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WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO WITH THIS ALARMIST CLIMATE REPORT ??

THROW IT IN THE WILDFIRE, THEN DOUSE IT IN THE FLOODWATER.

PRUITT

NEVER LET A CRISIS GO TO WASTE.

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**ZIGGY** ©

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...WOULD IT HAVE KILLED YOU TO ADD A DIVING BOARD?

Tom Wiegman

**Hagar the Horrible** ©

by Chris Brown

HELP! HAGAR, SAVE ME!

CAN I HELP IT IF THE HOT SAND BURNS MY TENDER FEET?

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**GARFIELD** ©

by Jim Davis

ODIE, COME BACK! I NEED TO DRY YOU OFF

NOT A PROBLEM

YOUR BED SEEMS PRETTY ABSORBENT

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**Sudoku Pacific**

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

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

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Wednesday's Puzzle Answer 8/9

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