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# 2018



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## Polynesian Football Hall of Fame unveils Class Of 2018

October 10, 2017 (Honolulu, HI) – The Polynesian Football Hall of Fame unveiled its Class of 2018 today. Five Inductees were selected from a list of 18 Finalists.

This year's inductees

include Herman Clark (Hawaiian ancestry), Ma'ake Kemoeatu (Tongan Ancestry), Manu Tuiasosopo (Samoan ancestry) and Kimo von Oelhoffen (Hawaiian ancestry) as player inductees, and Bob Apisa

(Samoan ancestry) as a contributor.

"This year's class represents three Super Bowl Championships, two All-Americans, two College Football National Championships, and a member of the NFL's Half Century Team," said Jesse Sapolu, Polynesian Football Hall of Fame Co-Founder and Chairman. "Their accomplishments on and off the field make each of them truly worthy of this recognition."

The Inductees were selected by the Polynesian Football Hall of Fame Selection Committee which includes Coaches Dick Tomey (Chairman), Ron McBride and Dick Vermeil, past NFLPA President and Inaugural Inductee Kevin Mawae, former NFL Player and Class of 2015 Inductee Ray Schoenke, ESPN Sports-caster Neil Everett, NFL player personnel legend Gil Brandt, NFL Network writer and commentator Steve Wyche, and Honolulu Sportscaster Robert Kekaula.

The Class of 2018 will be honored during the Polynesian Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Weekend to be held on January 19 & 20, 2018 in Oahu, Hawai'i.

The Polynesian Pro, College and High School Football Player of Year honorees will be announced later in the year.

Inductees will also be recognized at the inaugural Polynesian Bowl, a premier senior high school all-star football game featuring the world's elite players of Polynesian heritage and other ancestries.

For more information about the game, visit [www.PolynesianBowl.com](http://www.PolynesianBowl.com).

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American Samoa Youth Futsal player Roy Ledoux in action against New Zealand during a game of the OFC Youth Futsal Tournament 2017 at Bruce Pulman Park in Auckland, New Zealand on Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017. [FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio]

# American Samoa futsal team draws with Samoa

FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio

The American Samoa futsal team earned its first points of the tournament following a 4-4 tie in their fourth game of the competition on Friday, Oct. 6, 2017. With three points for a win and one point for a draw, American Samoa has one going into their last game of the tournament against Tonga on Saturday, October 7, 2017 (New Zealand date and time) at 10 AM at Bruce Pulman Arena in Auckland, New Zealand.

In its other games, they lost to Vanuatu 10-5 in their second game on Oct. 6; lost to New Zealand 19-2 and New Caledonia 9-2 both on Oct. 5 during the OFC Youth Futsal Tournament in Auckland, New Zealand. "There was a big change in the boys after playing in their first game against the Solomon Islands," said the team's coach Tunoa Lui. "Even though we lost by a lot of goals on the second day, by the third day they were comfortable playing together and were more cohesive." "Our team gained more confidence in each game and showed it scoring in all of our contests," the coach said. "We are not taking Tonga lightly, they have a tough team

and are in the same boat with us, we both want to win a game."

Walter Pati has emerged as the team's leading goal scorer with six to his name, followed by captain, Gabriel Taumua, with three.

## AMERICAN SAMOA 4, SAMOA 4

Pati blasted the ball past the goalie to tie up the game 4-4 against Samoa with only 22 seconds left on the clock, a last minute equalizer thanks to a pass from Taumua in a free kick situation for American Samoa.

The score was Pati's third goal of the game, completing his hat trick that helped American Samoa earn their first and only point so far of the tournament.

At one point in the game Samoa had taken a 4-2 lead against American Samoa, but Taumua put them within one of the lead with a free kick that just went over the goal line before the goalie gathered it back in his arms. Luckily the match officials saw the ball cross the goal line for the goal.

## VANUATU 10, AMERICAN SAMOA 5

Vanuatu scored six unanswered goals in American Samoa's second game of the day as they started off lethargic

and tired from their morning game against Samoa.

However, the players dug deep inside and fought back with two straight goals, the first by Joseph Choi, and the other on an own goal thanks to a full length toss by goalie MJ Danielson that was knocked into the back of the net by a Vanuatu player. Darryl Ulufale provided their third goal, while Austin Kaleopa scored one on an assist from Taumua. Taumua completed American Samoa's fifth goal with a PK in the last minute of the game.

## NEW CALEDONIA 9, AMERICAN SAMOA 2 (OCT. 5)

It was a close game despite the final score, with New Caledonia leading 4-2 by the end of the first half.

Their technical ability came through for them in the second half as they were won the majority of the possession battle. Pati scored both goals for American Samoa.

## NEW ZEALAND 19, AMERICAN SAMOA 2 (OCT. 5)

American Samoa was over-matched in this game, but did score their first goals of the tournament thanks to a brace from Pati, one in each half.

Henry Milo Tiatia of American Samoa in action against Vanuatu during a game of the OFC Youth Futsal Tournament 2017 at Bruce Pulman Park in Auckland, New Zealand on Thursday, Oct. 6, 2017. [FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio]





# Watching teammates from sideline painful for Raiders QB Carr

ALAMEDA, Calif. (AP) — As painful as a broken bone in his back may have been for Oakland Raiders quarterback Derek Carr, being forced to sit and watch his teammates play caused perhaps as much hurt.

Carr got hurt in Denver on Oct. 1 and immediately apologized to coach Jack Del Rio for missing time. But now after sitting out last week against Baltimore when Oakland (2-3) lost its third straight game, Carr is on target to return Sunday when the Raiders host the Los Angeles Chargers (1-4).

“I felt bad because I care so much about this team and this organization that even though I had a broken back I still felt bad that I couldn’t be out there to help because as you guys know, I sat there for two games last year and had to watch knowing there’s nothing I could do to help,” Carr said. “It is a lonely feeling. It hurts because I see the sacrifice all my teammates make and I just want to be out there to help them because I believe that I can.”

The Raiders need a healthy Carr to reverse this recent slide that began with losses at Washington and Denver when Oakland was held to 10 points or fewer in consecutive games for the first time since 2009. Oakland has lost its 11 games that weren’t started by Carr, including the regular-season finale and playoff game last season.

Carr got hurt in the second half of the 16-10 loss to the Broncos and backup E.J. Manuel couldn’t get the offense going last week in a 30-17 loss to Baltimore.

There were some signs of improvement, including the Raiders running for 108 yards after being held to 56 over the previous two weeks combined. But Oakland had only 137 yards

passing as the offense struggled for a third straight week after scoring 71 points the first two games.

“We just have to be efficient,” Carr said. “I’m sitting there watching the game, when you watch it from the sideline it’s really hard. To sit there and see certain looks and see things going on with all those kind of things. I think that if we can just be efficient, and each man has to do their job.”

The one aspect of the offense that has been missing most has been receiver Amari Cooper, who has been held to four catches for 23 yards the past three games.

Cooper topped 1,000 yards receiving in each of his first two seasons but has been missing in action this year either because of dropped passes, bad throws or quarterbacks not targeting him when he’s open.

“I think everyone on our team is a little frustrated at something,” Carr said. “That’s just one thing. The frustration, that part of it is what we have to get rid of. We just have to go out and let it loose. I don’t think there’s one thing where it’s like, hey, it’s this or it’s that that leads to that. I think if we can go out there and cut it loose and just trust what we have, I think we’ll be better going forward.”

Carr practiced on a limited basis Wednesday and said he still feels some pain. He said doctors have talked about whether he will need to wear extra protection for the game with a decision coming later this week.

“It just hurts,” he said. “It’s not like anything that’s like, ‘Oh man, if I take a hit, I’m worried.’ It’s not like a worry. It’s just one of those things you have to deal with. Just like everybody in the NFL right now.”



Walter Pati of American Samoa celebrates after scoring a goal against New Caledonia during a game of the OFC Youth Futsal Tournament 2017 at Bruce Pulman Park in Auckland, New Zealand on Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017.

[FFAS MEDIA/Brian Vitolio]



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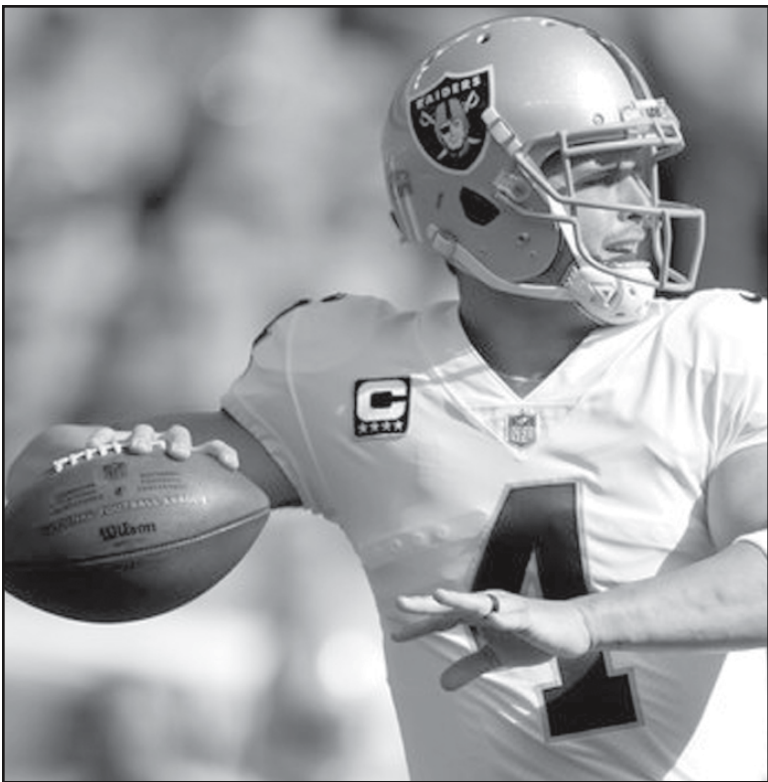
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FILE - In this Oct. 1, 2017, file photo, Oakland Raiders quarterback Derek Carr passes against the Denver Broncos during the first half of an NFL football game, in Denver. The Raiders are happy to have Carr back on the field this week as they look to snap a three-game losing streak.

(AP Photo/Jack Dempsey, File)





FILE - In this Oct. 9, 2017, file photo, Houston Rockets' James Harden (13) and coach Mike D'Antoni talk to a referee during the first half of a preseason NBA basketball game at Madison Square Garden in New York. (AP Photo/Andres Kudacki, File)

# Less time, fewer timeouts among adjustments for NBA coaches

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike D'Antoni ran an offensive system known as seven seconds or less, so he likes things fast.

Good thing, because NBA coaches find things come at them more quickly this season.

They are losing time and timeouts, with fewer days to prepare before the regular season and fewer chances to talk things over during games.

Throw in new rules legislating how they can rest players, and there are plenty of adjustments even for veteran coaches.

"I think it's good," said D'Antoni, the NBA coach of the year with Houston last year. "Take stuff out of coaches' hands, because we just screw it up anyway. So it's better for the players."

## AMONG THE CHANGES:

— Tuesday's start is the NBA's earliest since 1980. It's a week earlier than normal, with the maximum number of pre-season games cut from eight to six. Timeouts are reduced from 18 to 14, with each team having seven. They will be limited to two during the last three minutes of games, instead of the previous rule that permitted three timeouts in the final two minutes.

— Teams can be fined \$100,000 or more for resting healthy players during national TV games, and are discouraged from resting multiple healthy players in the same game or sitting them in road games.

— Halftime will be 15 minutes for all games — and the league plans to be diligent about starting the clock as soon as the first half ends. There previously was a minute or two longer for national TV games, and sometimes the clock wouldn't start until all players had cleared the floor.

That change caught the attention of D'Antoni, who noted that in some arenas there is a

longer walk from the benches to the locker rooms.

"So instead of showing 10 clips at halftime, you might only be able to show two or three," D'Antoni said.

Byron Spruell, the NBA's president of league operations, said the goal wasn't to shorten the length of games, which run about 2 hours, 15 minutes. He said the league wanted the games to have a better flow, and worked with the coaches and Competition Committee, which includes some coaches, during the summer on the changes.

Spruell said coaches were fine with the removal of the under-9 minute timeouts in the second and fourth quarters, feeling they came too soon after the quarters started. There will now be two mandatory timeouts in each quarter, at the under-7 and under-3 minute marks.

Even at the end of games, coaches acknowledged there were too many stoppages.

"As a head coach you always want more timeouts. You want to have that flexibility at the end of the game to be able to help your team," Miami's Erik Spoelstra said. "But when I'm watching games, I want there to be less. I do. I want there to be less timeouts and for the games to go a little bit quicker, particularly at the end. You want to just see the action."

All timeouts will now be 75 seconds. Full timeouts were formerly 90 seconds.

"Before you have the little pow-wow for a long timeout, the coaches try to get reacquainted and figure out where you're going to eat dinner," D'Antoni joked. "But now you've got to go in and actually coach."

Spruell said the league didn't get a lot of pushback from coaches on the suggested changes, even coming around on the resting rules.

"I'm just happy Adam Silver

gave us some good guidelines to follow when it comes to that so we don't feel like we're cheating our fans," Memphis coach David Fizdale said. "That was one good thing that came out of the coaches' meetings, Adam Silver's leadership on that." Player health was one reason for the shorter preseason. By adding the extra week to the regular season, the league reduced back-to-back games and has no teams playing four in five nights for the first time.

Knicks coach Jeff Hornacek said the shorter preseason wouldn't matter to most teams, since they usually run a similar system from year to year unless there was a coaching change, and there were none.

His team is different. The Knicks are largely scrapping the triangle offense they ran when Phil Jackson was president and redefining roles with leading scorer Carmelo Anthony traded. They've had a number of nagging injuries and may not see some combinations play together until the games count.

"It's one of those years that maybe you wish there was eight exhibition games, but it is what it is and we just have to work," Hornacek said. There's also a change for general managers in the form of an earlier trade deadline.

Previously the Thursday after the All-Star Game, now it's the Thursday 10 days before it. Spruell said in discussions with GMs, they felt that would benefit the traded players, who would have the break to acclimate themselves to their new cities. So there's plenty that's new, but Spoelstra said they will all catch on.

"Whenever there's rules changes, regardless, players or coaches, you eventually adapt and we'll do that as well," he said.





**HERMAN “BUDDY” PI’IKEI CLARK** (Player) ... Hawaiian ancestry ... Offensive Lineman ... Oregon State University ... All Pac-10 Selection ... Drafted in the 4<sup>th</sup> Round in the 1952 NFL Draft ... Chicago Bears (1952; 1954–1957) ... 2x All Pro Selection (1955, 1956) ... Named to NFL Half-Century Team ... Member of the Hawai’i Sports and Oregon State Athletics Hall of Fame ... Chairman of Aloha Stadium Authority and was instrumental in bringing the Pro Bowl to Hawai’i ... Born November 30, 1930; Died October 9, 1989.



**MA’AKE KEMOEATU** (Player) ... Tongan ancestry ... Defensive Tackle ... University of Utah ... 2x All Mountain West Conference Selection ... Baltimore Ravens (2002-2005) ... Carolina Panthers (2006-2009) ... Washington Redskins (2012)... Ed Block Courage Award Winner (2010) ... Super Bowl Champion (XLVII) ... Born January 10, 1979 in Pule’anga Fakatu’i’o, Tonga.



**MANU TUIASOSOPO** (Player) ... Samoan ancestry ... Defensive Lineman ... University of California Los Angeles ... 3x All Pac-10 Selection ... 2x All American Selection ... Rose Bowl Champion (1976) ... Drafted in the 1<sup>st</sup> Round (18<sup>th</sup> pick) in the 1979 NFL Draft ... Seattle Seahawks (1973-1983) ... San Francisco 49ers (1984-1986) ... NFL All Rookie Team Selection (1979) ... Super Bowl Champion (XIX) ... Born August 30, 1957 in Los Angeles, California.



**KIMO VON OELHOFFEN** (Player) ... Hawaiian ancestry ... Defensive Lineman ... Boise State University ... Selected to Boise State All Time Football Team ... Drafted in the 6<sup>th</sup> Round (162<sup>nd</sup> pick) in the 1994 NFL Draft ... Cincinnati Bengals (1994-1999) ... Pittsburgh Steelers (2000-2005) ... New York Jets (2006) ... Philadelphia Eagles (2007) ... Super Bowl Champion (XL) ... Born January 30, 1971 in Kaunakakai, Hawaii.



**BOB APISA** (Contributor) ... Samoan Ancestry ... Fullback/Halfback ... Michigan State University ... 2x All-American Selection ... First Samoan to be named All-American ... 2x National Champion (1965, 1966) ... Member of the Michigan State Athletics Hall of Fame ... Green Bay Packers (1968) ... Has been described as the godfather of the Hawaii pipeline for football players recruitment to major college programs ... Born June 4, 1945 in Fagatogo, American Samoa.

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*(Source: Polynesian Football Hall of Fame)*

# LiAngelo Ball center of attention at UCLA media day

LOS ANGELES (AP) — There’s a new Ball on the court at UCLA.

Cameras and cellphones captured the moment Wednesday as LiAngelo Ball walked toward the center of the court at Pauley Pavilion.

The younger brother of Lakers guard Lonzo Ball was making a debut of sorts at UCLA media day. The freshman was not made available to the media but he was there for pictures and practice.

Freshman Chris Smith noticed the hoopla as he walked alongside his teammate and said, with a hand over his eyes: “There’s a Ball brother here?” and jokingly looked around.

Ball is sure to be under a microscope and face expectations unlike those faced by most college basketball players.

“It’s hard. Obviously, Lonzo sets a very high bar,” UCLA coach Steve Alford said. “I will say knowing the family like I know, they’re all made that way. They’re all made in a championship pedigree. Gelo (pronounced Jello) is not going to be any different than that. He’ll figure out his role as he gets into this thing. I know he’ll fight and compete and extend his role as much as he possibly can because he’s got that championship DNA that I think all of them have.”

The Ball family was thrust into a media spotlight thanks to the brothers’ outspoken father,

Lavar. Lonzo Ball played just one year at UCLA, where the Bruins finished 31-5 and lost to Kentucky in the Sweet Sixteen. LiAngelo follows this season. Lavar Ball has pulled his youngest son, LaMelo, out of high school and has said he’s home-schooling him.

Ball is one of seven freshmen joining the Bruins but clearly is the most heralded because of the name on the back of his jersey.

“I think he has a pretty good head on (his shoulders),” junior Aaron Holiday said. “Obviously, coming in being one of the Ball brothers and his dad, there’s a lot going on with him so he’s handled himself pretty well, and I think he’s good with that.”

He’s proven to be a reliable shooter in his young career and once had 72 points in a high school basketball game.

“He can shoot it, and we’re going to need it,” Alford said. “He’s lost weight. He’s in much better shape. I like the strength he adds. He gives us a different look when you’ve got maybe speed and athleticism in different areas of our backcourt. Gelo brings a whole different look of someone who is 230-235 pounds. You don’t see a lot of guards with that kind of body, so we can post him. He can extend the floor to the NBA 3 with ease. He’s like a lot of freshmen right now. As he learns defensively what needs to take place, he’s going to be a

very valuable piece.”

LiAngelo Ball is listed at 6-foot-5, 230 pounds, measurements that were updated in July.

His new teammates have noticed his shooting touch, and in a few weeks, they’ll take the new Ball show on the road when UCLA takes a trip to China.

## Notice for Proposed Registration of Matai Title

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 6.0105 of the Revised Code of American Samoa that a claim of succession which has been filed with the Territorial Registrar’s office for the registration of the Matai Title **TAITO** of the village of **MATU’U/FAGANEANE** by **TAUTUNU TUILAGI JR.** of the village of **MATU’U/FAGANEANE** county of **ITUAAU, EASTERN** District.

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**POSTED:** SEPTEMBER 7, 2017 thru **NOVEMBER 6, 2017**  
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# ANOTHER FA'ALAVELAVE?





# Olympic leader Nuzman sends resig- nation letter from jail

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Carlos Nuzman sent his resignation letter as head of the Brazilian Olympic Committee from a prison on Wednesday.

He’s been held there since last week amid an investigation into a vote-buying scheme to bring the 2016 Olympics to Rio de Janeiro.

The national Olympic committee immediately designated vice president Paulo Wanderley to replace Nuzman, who had headed the BOC for 22 years. Wanderley will serve the three years remaining on Nuzman’s term.

Speaking after meeting with the BOC’s membership, Wanderley described Nuzman’s resignation as “a relief.”

“The resignation of the president, on a personal level, I think will speed up resolving our problems,” he said.

Nuzman, who also headed last year’s Rio Olympics, had already been suspended as a member by the International Olympic Committee.

Nuzman’s arrest has further tarnished last year’s games, which were plagued budget cuts, spotty attendance, and reports of endemic corruption. They also left behind a half-dozen “white elephant” sports venues.

Brazil officially spent \$13 billion to put on the games. A year after, the organizing committee still owes creditors between \$30-40 million.

Wanderley said “all of us were taken by surprise” by Nuzman’s arrest and allegations he helped channel at least \$2 million to Lamine Diack, a former IOC member from Senegal.

Brazilian and French investigators also said Nuzman had 16 kilos of gold — worth about \$750,000 — stored in a depository.

Wanderley’s main job is to convince the IOC to lift Brazil’s suspension, which cuts off some of its funding.

“I will send answers to the IOC as soon as possible to all the questions they have asked us about,” Wanderley said, adding that he’d had a courtesy phone call recently with IOC President

Thomas Bach. As the Olympic body met inside its headquarters, a handful of protesters gathered outside.

Many carried placards saying “Give the athletes a true vote.”

Luiz Lima, who quit several months ago as the No. 2 person in the federal sports ministry, was among those carrying a signboard.

Lima, an Olympic swimmer at the 1996 and 2000 Olympics, said Brazilian athletes had “almost no power.”

He said the 30 federations that make up the Brazilian Olympic Committee each have one vote in setting policy.

He said athletes as a collective have only one.

“This is only one vote in 31, which does not seem like any fair representation,” Lima.



Members of the the Brazil Olympic Committee meet in an extraordinary session, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017. The committee is expected to discuss the arrest of its former president Carlos Nuzman who was arrested last week in an investigation into a vote-buying scheme to win the rights to host the 2016 Olympics.

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# World Cup failure prompts calls for US soccer 'revolution'

COUVA, Trinidad (AP) — When soccer holds its world's fair in Russia next June, the American pavilion will be glaringly absent.

A bumbling, stumbling, tumbling World Cup qualifying campaign ended Tuesday night with a calamitous 2-1 loss to already eliminated Trinidad and Tobago, the 99th-ranked nation in the world, when merely a tie was necessary to eke out the final automatic World Cup berth from one of soccer's weakest regions.

"Unacceptable," tweeted former Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, a U.S. Soccer Federation board member. "For us in USSoccer more than a wake-up call. Time for revolution. Need long term plan that is smart."

After American soccer's Waterloo, the fallout almost surely will lead to a new coach and possibly a new USSF head. There also figure to be calls for

a reexamination of the player development structure, from youth teams through academies designed with the hope of producing elite prospects.

"There is no denying that this is a setback for all of us involved with the game in our country," Major League Soccer said in a statement.

New York Cosmos owner Rocco Commisso, chairman of the lower-level North American Soccer League that has sued the USSF, called for federation President Sunil Gulati to resign along with board members and senior administrators he put in place.

"In the almost 12 years during which Sunil Gulati has been the USSF's president, little or nothing has been done to enhance our prospects," Commisso said in a statement. "The leadership of U.S. Soccer has failed all of its stakeholders: players, fans, sponsors and those of us who have invested in professional soccer. Getting back on track requires fundamental change in the structure and management of the sport in our country, starting with a change in the federation's leadership."

While fans fulminated over the front office, the next national team coach must instigate a ruthless roster purge. The Tim Howard/Clint Dempsey/Michael Bradley era is over, and pretty much any player older than 26 will be past his prime when the World Cup in Qatar kicks off in November 2022. The Americans won't even play a competitive match for nearly two years, until the 2019 CONCACAF Gold Cup.

By then, Christian Pulisic, at 19 already the top American, should be surrounded with other players on the rise, such as 19-year-old midfielder Weston McKennie, who has started Schalke's last three games in the German Bundesliga. Haji Wright, a 19-year-old winger loaned from Schalke to second-division Sandhausen, is another top prospect along with forward Josh Sargent, who agreed last month to sign with Werder Bremen on his 18th birthday in February.

Matt Miazga and Cameron Carter-Vickers should be tested in defense as the team reorients to 2022.

A shocked Gulati was measured in his reaction.

"You don't have wholesale changes based on the ball being

2 inches wide or 2 inches in," he said. "We will look at everything, obviously, and all of our programs, both the national team and all the development stuff. But we've got a lot of pieces in place that we think are very good and have been coming along."

The U.S. returned to the World Cup in 1990 after a 40-year absence, and soccer grew at an exponential rate, helped by the U.S. hosting the tournament in 1994. Major League Soccer launched two years later; cable television and the Internet brought top European clubs to American televisions and later laptops and cell phones.

European clubs discovered there was huge money to be made by playing preseason exhibitions across the pond, growing the sport's audience.

American sponsors started treating soccer like a major sport, if not at the level of the NFL, baseball and the NBA, at least as prominent as the NHL, golf and tennis.

Still, the national team peaked with its quarterfinal appearance at the 2002 World Cup. The U.S. failed to qualify for the 2012 and 2016 men's Olympic soccer tournaments, a generational talent gap evident when a creaky defense repeatedly broke down during qualifying. There were no young goalkeepers considered challengers to Howard and Brad Guzan.

"This has been coming for a while. I think it's just kind of been building up," former U.S. defender Marcelo Balboa said Wednesday.

Elected head of the USSF in 2006 after a quarter-century helping build the national team and federation, Gulati has not said whether he will seek a fourth and final four-year term in February.

More immediately, a decision must be made on whether the national team plays exhibitions during the November fixture dates and who will coach. Bruce Arena, brought back when Jurgen Klinsmann was fired last November after a 0-2 start in the hexagonal, figures to depart later this year or next.

Among the possible American candidates are Tab Ramos, coach of the U.S. under-20 team since 2011; Peter Vermes, coach of Sporting Kansas City since 2009; and Huddersfield manager David Wagner.



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17 TV’s GPS-equipped rides  
20 Fleming of Bond fame  
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22 Citrus fruit variety  
23 Acrobat’s precaution  
24 \_\_\_-Wee Herman  
25 Blobs on slides  
28 Outfielder’s need  
30 Hailing from the Far East  
32 Brief life?  
33 Play a role  
35 \_\_\_ Arbor, Mich.  
36 Alphabet enders, in Britain  
37 TV’s buzzard variety  
41 Small horse  
42 “New” prefix  
43 It’s tender in Tokyo  
44 “\_\_\_ be way too hard!”  
45 Russian monarchs of yore
- 47 More friendly  
51 Living room staples  
53 “Grand” wine classification  
55 Long-gone VCR maker  
56 Stead  
57 Peephole spy  
58 Israeli gun  
59 TV’s container ship or soldier-mover  
63 From that time until this time  
64 Arthur of tennis fame  
65 Last word said in “The Wizard of Oz”  
66 Trails cut through forests  
67 Perceive  
68 Brain case?

DOWN

- 1 Silencing  
2 Lebanon neighbor  
3 Slanty shanty?  
4 Brow formation  
5 Monarch’s loyal subject  
6 \_\_\_ Doria (ill-fated ship)  
7 Bird of peace  
8 Cape Coral-to-Port St. Lucie dir.  
9 Renamed Vietnamese city

- 10 \_\_\_ Remus  
11 Improviser  
12 Peace sign  
13 Curvy road shape  
18 Ruble fraction  
19 How some things are possible  
25 Japanese aborigine  
26 Guy or Girl Friday  
27 Brillo rival  
29 Not stay the same  
31 Relish  
34 Show nervousness  
36 Native American Pueblo peoples  
37 Dorothy’s dog  
38 Resembling waves  
39 Some roll-call votes

- 40 Professor’s staying power?  
41 Brief snap?  
45 Major postgrad projects  
46 Grass hacker  
48 Robinson of literature  
49 Itchy skin disorder  
50 Complained bitterly (with “against”)  
52 Easy undertaking  
54 Make merry  
57 Scottish tongue  
59 0.167 oz.  
60 Narrow inlet of a waterway  
61 Clumsy one  
62 “Be quiet!”

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Emotions will get in the way of making good choices. Refrain from getting angry with someone you love. Take a moment to reevaluate the past and present and you’ll have a clear picture of what you should do next. \*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Home should be your safe place and your refuge. Do whatever it takes to clear a space just for your enjoyment. Relaxation is the key to good mental health. Romance is featured and will improve your personal life. \*\*\*\*

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**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Keep your emotions tucked away someplace safe. If someone gets you going, you may end up revealing information that will infringe on your privacy and reputation. Listen and observe, but refuse to venture into a self-pitying frame of mind. \*\*\*\*

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**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Form an alliance with someone you enjoy working with. Don’t feel the need to make an impulsive move if it doesn’t appear to be practical. Make adjustments that will ensure that everyone you deal with comes out a winner.\*\*\*

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Dear Abby  
by Abigail Van Buren

MEAT-AND-POTATOES MAN PANS HIS FRIEND’S VEGAN COOKING

**DEAR ABBY:** I retired after a 40-year career. A friend from work, “Bernie,” is the same age I am (62) but is still working. Six years ago, I had a serious health crisis. Three years ago, Bernie survived a heart attack. Since then, Bernie worries incessantly about dying. He exercises rigorously and eats a strictly vegan diet. I like to spend time with him, but I’m more casual about diet and exercise.

Neither of us is going to be a GQ model, regardless of how much we diet or exercise. I say life should be enjoyed, but Bernie is too busy obsessing, compulsively taking medicine and working out.

Today he invited me out to supper. Instead of going to a restaurant, he said he was cooking another of his (not-too-tasty) vegan meals. I don’t want to offend or discourage Bernie, but I hate his cooking. What should I do? Would a steak and a baked potato kill him? -- PAUNCHY BUT HAPPY IN KENTUCKY

**DEAR PAUNCHY:** Because you enjoy Bernie’s company, call him and tell him you would love to come to supper, but because you are a carnivore you will be bringing your own steak and potato with you, so fire up the broiler.

**DEAR ABBY:** My mother died from a heroin overdose when I was 8. As a mother with children of my own, I often find myself getting upset when people say nice things about her -- things that would normally make people feel good, such as, “Oh, she would have been so proud of you,” or, “She was such a great woman.” I feel that if she was such a great woman, she wouldn’t have chosen drugs over her (or our) well-being. How can I let go of the anger I feel toward her when everyone else sees her only in a good light? -- MIXED FEELINGS ABOUT MOM

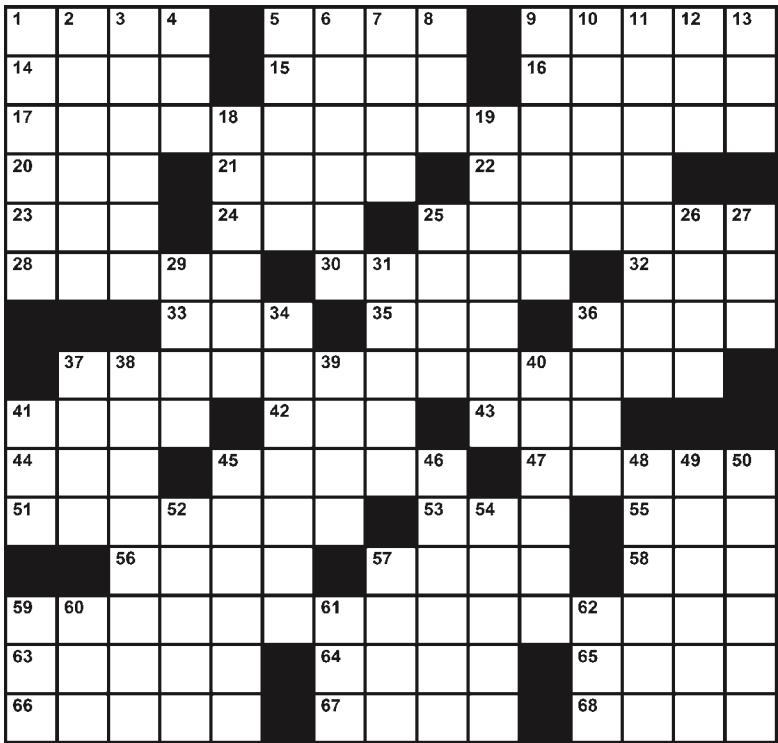
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**DEAR ABBY:** We host many gatherings in our home during the year, including picnics. We have a downstairs bathroom that is intended for guests. But twice now, I have encountered guests using my upstairs bathroom. I have never offered it, and I’m offended that they take it upon themselves to go uninvited into private territory. I would never do that in someone else’s house. Am I wrong, or are they overstepping the boundaries here? -- WONDERING IN THE EAST

**DEAR WONDERING:** To use your upstairs bathroom without asking your permission is overstepping. The exception might be if the downstairs bathroom was in use, and the need to get into one was urgent.

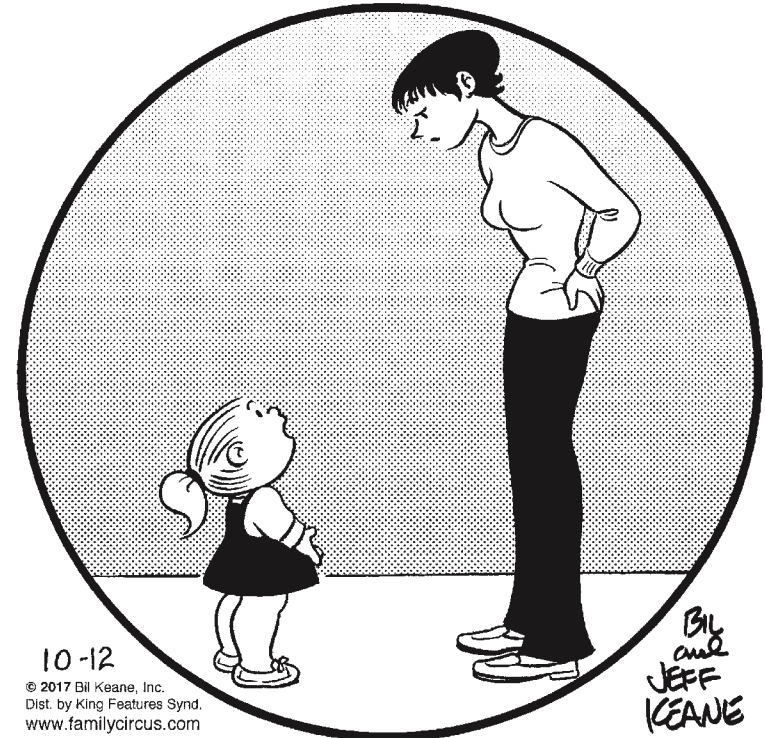
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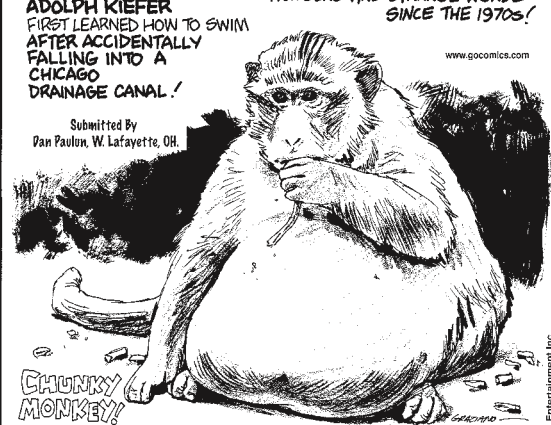
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I DON'T THINK SO, CALVIN. IT'S A SCHOOL NIGHT.

WHAT IF WE GOT AN EDUCATIONAL TAPE?

LIKE WHAT?

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I THINK WE'D LEARN A LOT BY WATCHING THAT.



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THAT'S THE SORT OF THING I'D RATHER NOT THINK ABOUT

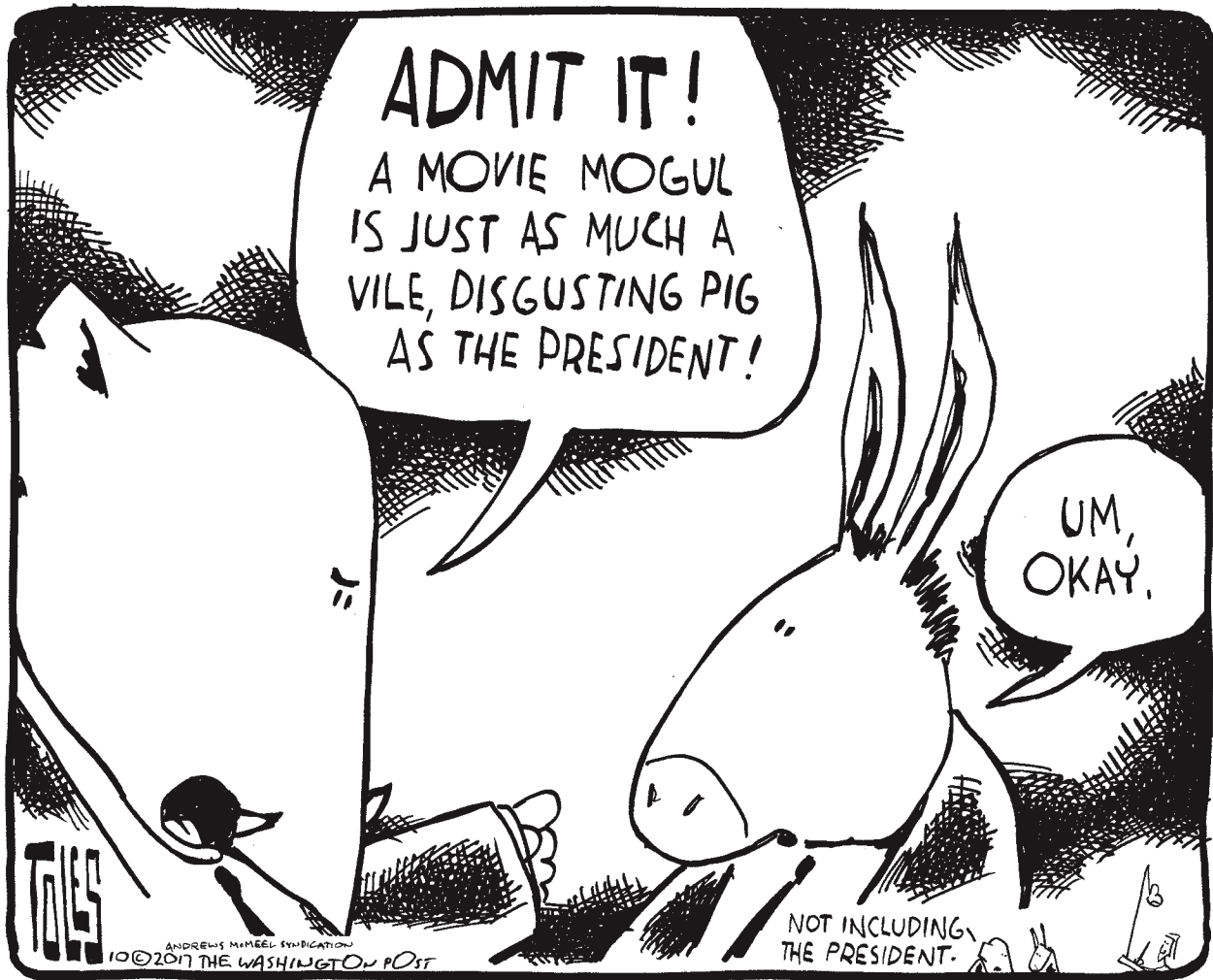


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MEAN MAX, WE KNOW YOU'RE MEAN! BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE! YOU CAN STOP AND BE A NICE PERSON! WHAT OTHER FAULTS DO YOU REALLY HAVE?

I'M NOT A GOOD LISTENER!



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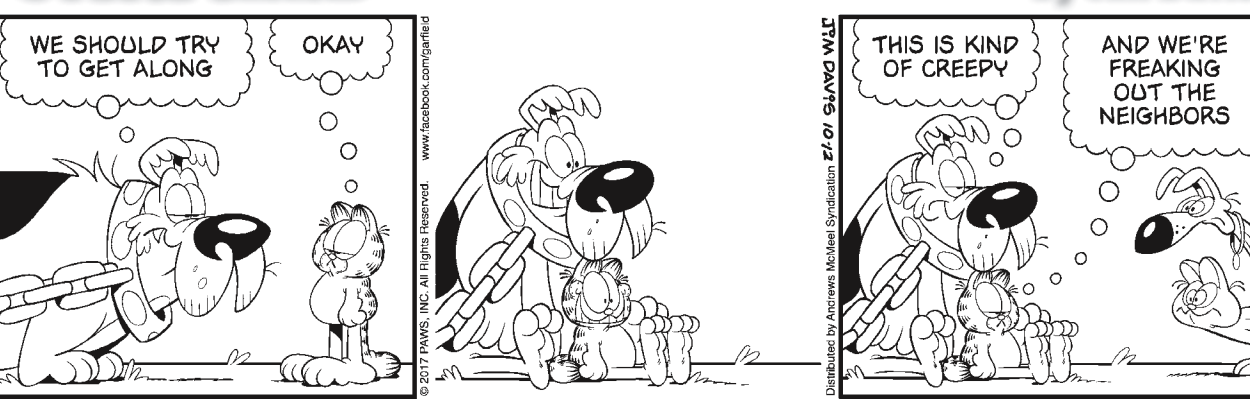
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WE SHOULD TRY TO GET ALONG

OKAY

THIS IS KIND OF CREEPY

AND WE'RE FREAKING OUT THE NEIGHBORS



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

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Wednesday's Puzzle Answer

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

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