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First ever swim meet for our children with special needs

Last Saturday morning at Utulei Beach, parents, supporters, organizers of the swimming event of young athletes with special needs gathered for American Samoa's first adaptive aquatic swim meet. The children with special needs who participated were Lauren, Louisa, Lita, Hanipale, Justin, Dennis, Mosese, Jasmine, Miracle, Sina, and OJ.

[Courtesy photo]

By Leiloa Ese Malala

Supporting endeavors are a conventional part of childhood, and experts agree that children benefit from them. According to the Women's Sports Foundation, girls do better in school, boost their self-esteem, and learn teamwork and goal setting. Boys can learn leadership skills, establish new friendships, and channel their energy. Both sexes can establish a life-long relationship with physical fitness, too.

Children with physical and mental disabilities, however, often face obstacles when they try to join sports teams. Incredibly, competitive coaches may not want a child with limitations on their team. Others fear that they won't be able to effectively coach the child or manage medical emergencies that could occur. That does not - and should not stop parents from getting their children with disabilities onto the playing field.

Last Saturday morning at Utulei Beach the Parents of Children with Special Needs (PCSN) Network, along with the organizers of the Special Olympics of American Samoa had a first ever adaptive aquatic open water swim meet for children with disabilities.

This was born from a strong desire for families of children

(any age) with disabilities (any disability or special need) to come together to support one another, keep aware of things going on in our community available to our kids, to create activities specially adapted for our children, and to empower, educate and enable our families as they care for and advocate for our children. It is something to show that children with special needs can play on the field and be in the water.

Teaching kids with special needs to swim are not only a good idea, it's essential. Swimming lessons help kids with disabilities in a number of key areas, including greater muscle strength and physical endurance, increased flexibility, more self-control, and, in many instances, improved behavioral outcomes.

The swimming program came out of a love for water and its availability on island, it's therapeutic value, and the many things that can be done in the ocean says Sandy Scanlan. Sandy Scanlan coordinator of the PSNC also told Samoa News, "It is god's swimming pool as our coach calls it. I believed that our children with special needs and their families need programs for our kids to be able to join in and participate and learn to swim."

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Meet A Spelling Champ!

The student at the right will represent Aua Scholl in the American Samoa Spelling Bee to be held February 22nd. The winner of that Bee will represent American Samoa in the 89th annual Scripps Howard Spelling Bee to be held in Washington, D.C.



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This was the first time it was done in American Samoa, 11 children with special needs of all ages participated as they firstly started with just 2 children. There was much love, words of encouragement, fun, excitement and motivation amongst the special needs, volunteers and all those who were there to support the amazing event.

Hanipale from Tafuna a local special need expressed his excitement for getting a gold medal said to Samoa News, "I came number two, and I love swimming it is so much fun, YAY!"

Swim Coach Zero Iaulalo of the American Samoa Aquatics Agency (ASAA), Special Olympic, and volunteers has helped the children learn to swim and to be safe in the water. Coach Zero mentioned while giving out the medals during the Awards ceremony, "I am so proud of these kids, and I am so glad they had a great time."

A volunteer Earl who assisted one of the special need Miracle Singh who is 10-years-old from Leone said, "I am just helping out because these kids deserve it and am very proud of Miracle today."

The PSNC, Special Olympic and the ASAA with the children and other community volunteers and supporters are moving forward with the plan for the children with disabilities to be represented in the next world Special Olympics to be held in Abu Dhabi in 2019.

The children who participated were Lauren, Louisa, Lita, Hanipale, Justin, Dennis, Mosese, Jasmine, Miracle, Sina, and OJ and all received medals for achieving their goal to participate.

Swim Coach Zero expresses his gratitude, "The History make in Am-Samoa, first ever Adaptive Aquatic Swim Meet! The Parent with Special Need Children (PSNC), Special Olympic (SP) and the ASAA would like to say a sincere



Sandy Scanlan coordinator of the PCSN with some of the athletes with special needs together with their families and friends who received gold medals during the Awards Ceremony of the first adaptive aquatic Swim Meet for special needs athletes in Amerika Samoa last Saturday at Utulei Beach.

[Photo: Ese Malala]

"Faafetai" Thank You to all who supported our children and our swim meet. Also a big "Faafetai" Thank you to all our Volunteers & our sponsors

Dept of Health who teamed up with South Pacific Watersports who made it possible to have this event."

The ASAA and the PSNC

with continue to conduct swimming lessons at Utulei beach on Thursday at 2:30pm all student with Special needs are welcome -or Call Sandy at 731-3959.

Browns, LB Collins agree to 4-year, \$50m deal

CLEVELAND (AP) — Other than the incessant losing, Jamie Collins enjoyed his half season with the Cleveland Browns.

He's sticking around for four more. Collins agreed to a four-year, \$50 million contract on Monday with the Browns, who made signing the 27-year-old one of their offseason priorities and locked him up before he could hit the free-agent market. The deal includes \$26 million guaranteed.

A Pro Bowler for New England, Collins made a major impression during the eight games he started after arriving on Oct. 31 in a trade with the Patriots. Collins recorded 69 tackles, two sacks and forced a fumble while playing every defensive snap.

"From the day I walked in the door, I felt welcomed by my new teammates and everyone in this organization," Collins said. "The past is the past as far as last season's record, but today is a new day. I'm only looking forward."

After they let several of their own free agents — including center Alex Mack and wide receiver Taylor Gabriel, who will play with Atlanta in the Super Bowl — leave last winter, the Browns weren't going to make a similar mistake with Collins.

"We are going to be aggressive about acquiring talent, and when we had the opportunity to trade for Jamie back in October, it was done with the intent of him becoming a long-term part of our defense," said Sashi Brown, the team's executive vice president of football operations. "Jamie has shown



FILE - In this Nov. 20, 2016, file photo, Cleveland Browns outside linebacker Jamie Collins (51) lines up during an NFL football game against the Pittsburgh Steelers in Cleveland. The Cleveland Browns have signed linebacker Jamie Collins to a four-year contract.

(AP Photo/David Richard, File)

throughout his NFL career that he is a very talented player with a rare skill set that allows him to impact games in a number of ways.

"He's a versatile, smart, competitive and physical football player who has experienced winning at the highest level. Jamie was great to have in our building this season, and we look forward to him being a Cleveland Brown for a number of years to come. We are counting on him to be a big part of us becoming a winning team."

Now that they've got Collins under contract, the Browns can focus on signing wide receiver Terrelle Pryor, who had 78 catches for 1,049 yards in his

first full season at the position.

The Browns went 1-15 this past season, but they see Collins as a major piece to a defense that will be led by new coordinator Gregg Williams.

Collins met with Williams and Jackson on Monday at the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Alabama. The Browns' staff is coaching the South team this week and in Saturday's game.

"It's no secret how I feel about Jamie Collins," said Jackson, who late in the season said it would be "a coup" if the Browns signed the linebacker. "He's an outstanding football player and a guy we think can be part of the foundation of a tremendous defense. I was excited when we were able to trade for him last season, and now, I'm even more excited knowing that he is going to part of our future. We all know we have a lot of work to do to get our team where we feel it needs to be. Jamie wants to be a part of that. He wants to help build this team for success."

"He was outstanding in our locker room last year because he's seen what success in the NFL looks like and our players respect the way he carries himself. We are all looking forward to him being a part of the success we plan to earn through our hard work and preparation."

Collins was originally selected in the second round by the Patriots in 2013. He led New England in tackles and played every snap during the team's win in the 2015 Super Bowl.

The Browns can upgrade their defense in free agency and they have the No. 1 overall pick in this year's draft and four selections in the top 50.

Broncos hire Toub's assistant to coach special teams

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — Denver Broncos coach Vance Joseph filled the last major vacancy on his coaching staff Monday by hiring Brock Olivo as his special teams coordinator.

Olivo, 40, spent the last three seasons as special teams assistant to Dave Toub in Kansas City.

Toub was one of three candidates that interviewed for the Broncos' head coaching vacancy after Gary Kubiak stepped down. Although the job went to Joseph, the Broncos were impressed enough by Toub to hire away Toub's top lieutenant.

Olivo spent four seasons as a key special teams player for the Detroit Lions following his standout career at Missouri, where Toub was the Tigers' strength and conditioning coach.

"Being a former player who was primarily a special teams player, Brock understands the mindset, work ethic and importance of this phase of the game," Joseph said. "Working under Dave Toub in Kansas City, Brock learned from a special coach and has the right experiences as the No. 2 guy that have prepared him to be the coordinator."

Olivo replaces Joe DeCamillis, who left to serve as the

Jacksonville Jaguars' special teams coordinator.

In Denver, Olivo inherits a young core that includes kicker Brandon McManus, punter Riley Dixon and returner Kalif Raymond, who excelled down the stretch after being promoted from the practice squad.

McManus is a three-year veteran who set an NFL record by making all 10 of his kicks in the playoffs last year when the Broncos won the Super Bowl. He made 29 of 34 field goals in 2016.

Dixon averaged 45.7 yards on a whopping 89 punts and posted the highest net punting average (41.3) among rookies in NFL history.

Raymond averaged 10.1 yards on 11 punt returns and 22.8 yards on six kickoff returns down the stretch.

Notes: With Antonio Brown pulling out of the Pro Bowl, Broncos WR Demaryius Thomas was named as his replacement. Thomas joins former safety Steve Atwater and Hall of Fame tight end Shannon Sharpe as the only Broncos with five consecutive Pro Bowl selections. The Broncos will have six Pro Bowlers: Thomas, Emmanuel Sanders, Von Miller, Chris Harris Jr., Aqib Talib and Darian Stewart.

Colts leaving Anderson for new training camp site

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A person with knowledge of the decision says the Indianapolis Colts will not hold training camp at Anderson University this summer and are looking for a new venue.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Monday because an official announcement has not been made.

The Colts first held camp at Anderson, about 30 miles northeast of the team complex, in 1984 and stayed there until leaving for Terre Haute, near the Illinois-Indiana border, in 1999. The Colts returned to Anderson in 2010 and have been there since.

According to the person, possible replacement sites include the team headquarters in Indy's west side and DePauw University in Greencastle, about 50 southwest of the team complex.

Anderson University President John Pistole issued a statement to The Anderson Herald Bulletin after it first reported the possibility of the move.

“Anderson University has welcomed and enjoyed hosting the Indianapolis Colts Training Camp for the past seven years,” Pistole said without acknowledging that a decision had been made. “With each passing summer, the university has understood that the specific duration and location of the training camp is under the management and discretion of the Indianapolis Colts. The university is proud of its 22 cumulative years of service as the training camp home for the Indianapolis Colts.”

The Colts traditionally begin training camp in late July and announce a training camp schedule in June.



As they prep for the Fagaitua High School Alumni Association Hawaii chapter's upcoming 50th Jubilee celebration in 2018, alums gathered to cheer for sons of Am. Samoa playing at the inaugural Polynesian Bowl in Hawai'i. One of them is Alex Faniel, Samoan son in Virginia, who was one of the quarterbacks for the game. Faniel is the son of Evalani Maneafaiga, a FHS class of 1986 alumnus, from the village of Masefau.

[Photo: Amber Salamasina Ierome]

Patriots' defense ignored critics on the way to Super Bowl

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — There's a mantra that players quickly come to learn when they play for Bill Belichick and the New England Patriots.

It's placed in different spots in the locker room, it's on the walls around the team facility, and the coach himself repeats it often: "Do your job."

Perhaps no other unit for the Patriots has embodied Belichick's go-to phrase more than his defense this season.

And if New England hopes to capture its fifth Super Bowl, no other group will be relied on more as the Patriots face an Atlanta Falcons offense that has scored a combined 80 points through two playoff games.

Defensive back Duron Harmon, who had a huge touchdown-saving tackle in the second quarter of the Patriots' 36-17 AFC championship game win over Pittsburgh on Sunday, said that even in their tightknit world they couldn't help but notice the criticism that surrounded the defense earlier this season.

turnover.

That turned early compliments for new additions such as Chris Long and Eric Rowe into pressure on the shoulders of New England veteran linebacker Dont'a Hightower and a secondary led by Devin McCourty and Logan Ryan to increase their production.

They responded by having the stingiest scoring defense in the NFL over the final three weeks of the regular season, and entered the playoffs giving up a league-low 15.6 points per game.

They've maintained that status in the playoffs, allowing just 16.5 points per game.

Turnovers have also been up since that midseason lull.

Including the two playoff games, the Patriots' defense has come up with 19 turnovers in the past eight games. The defense has had multiple turnovers in seven of those games during that stretch.

Belichick said the formula has simply been his players buying into the program they've

always tried to foster. But he said getting to face playoff-bound teams late in the season was a boost as well.

"It doesn't happen overnight. There's no switch that you can flip," Belichick said. "It comes through a lot of hard work, a lot of meetings, a lot of communication on how we're going to do things and then a lot of on the field execution at actually doing them at a good competitive level so that we can gain confidence in each other as a unit as to how that's going to happen in a live game situation."

Cornerback Malcolm Butler said the results down the stretch haven't been a surprise to a now-unified group of veterans and newcomers that have come to appreciate the methodical approach that Belichick preaches daily.

"Just keep working, man. That's all you can do is work no matter what anybody says," he said. "Just keep working and keep your head down and things will happen like it happened this season."



FILE - In this Jan. 22, 2017, file photo, New England Patriots head coach Bill Belichick walks around during warm-ups before the AFC championship NFL football game against the Pittsburgh Steelers, in Foxborough, Mass. The Patriots will battle the Atlanta Falcons in the Super Bowl on Feb. 5 in Houston.

(AP Photo/Elise Amendola, File)

There's no stopping Matt Ryan and the Falcons

ROB MAADDI, AP Pro Football Writer

There's no stopping Matt Ryan and the Atlanta Falcons.

After piling up 540 points in the regular season, the NFL's highest-scoring offense has been even better in the playoffs. The Falcons scored 36 points against Seattle last week and 44 more against Green Bay in a lopsided NFC championship game.

Next up are the New England Patriots in the Super Bowl.

Surely, Matty Ice, Julio Jones and Co. can put 40 on the scoreboard in Houston to bring the city of Atlanta its second championship ever — and first in football.

Not so fast, Dirty Birds fans.

These Patriots (16-2) are more than just Tom Brady. They have a defense that allowed the fewest points in the NFL this season, an average of 15.6 points per game.

Yes, the Falcons (13-5) are rolling. They've won six in a row, scoring at least 33 points in each. They scored at least 23 in every game this season except a 24-15 loss at Philadelphia in Week 10.

But we've seen this before in the Super Bowl and it usually doesn't work out well for the team with the best offense.

The last time the NFL's top-scoring offense played the league's stingiest defense in the Super Bowl was three years ago when Denver met Seattle.

Peyton Manning and the

Broncos set an NFL record with 606 points in 2013 but managed one touchdown in a 43-8 loss to the Seahawks.

Carolina led the league in points last season and lost 24-10 to Denver.

Remember how Brady, Randy Moss and the Patriots fared against the New York Giants after scoring a then-record 589 points in 2007 and steamrolling to an 18-0 record. They lost 17-14 in the Super Bowl.

Of the top 25 scoring offenses in NFL history (average points per game), 13 have reached the Super Bowl. Those teams are 4-9. The 2009 Saints were the last one to win.

Conversely, 13 of the 25 stingiest defenses (average points per game allowed) have reached the Super Bowl. Those teams are 8-5.

Here are other overreactions following Championship Sunday:

OVERREACTION: Brady will carve up Atlanta's secondary. The Falcons allowed the fifth-most points and sixth-most yards passing this season.

REALISTIC REACTION: Many of those yards came in garbage time because the Falcons scored a ton of points and were winning so opponents had to pass against them to try to catch up. Brady can pick any defense apart, but Atlanta shut down Aaron Rodgers and nobody was playing better.

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O se va'aiga i nisi o alo o Samoa na lua o lo'o tautua nei i le Laumua ma sa auai fo'i e fa'atino tiute ma tofiga a'o fa'atautaia mea uma na tapena e le Malo tele o Amerika mo le fa'au'uga o le latou Peresetene fou - Pres. Trump ia Januari 20, 2017.

[ata: foai]

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O le ali'i e 19 tausaga le matua lea o loo fa'aigoaina e le malo o ia lea o le "ta'ita'i" o le vaega e to'atolu sa latou osofaia ma talepe le Ofisa o le aoga mauaoga a Tafuna i le tausaga na te'a nei, ua poloaina e le fa'amasinoga mauaoga le taofia o ia i le toese i Tafuna mo le umi e 28 masina, o se tasi lea o tuutuuga o lana nofovaavaaia e 7 tausaga ua tu'uina atu e le fa'amasinoga, ina ua ta'usala o ia i le moliaga mamafa o le gaioi.

O le masina o Novema o le tausaga na te'a nei na fa'atulaga e tu'u mai ai le fa'asalaga a le fa'amasinoga mauaoga fa'asaga ia Matthew Barja, i le mae'a ai lea ona talia e le fa'amasinoga o se malilie na sainia e le ua moliaga ma le itu a le malo, ae talu ai sa fia maua e le fa'amasinoga se fa'amatalaga e uiga i ali'i talavou e to'alua ia sa auai ma Barja i le fa'atinoina o lenei solitulafono pe ua moliaga e le malo, na mafua ai loa ona toe tolopo fa'atolu le tu'uina mai o se fa'asalaga a le fa'amasinoga

e uiga i lenei mataupu.

Ae o se itu e fa'anoanoa ai e pei ona taua e le loia a le ua moliaga ia Mark Ude, ona e oo mai lava i le aso Faraile na te'a nei ina ua lau le fa'asalaga a Barja, e le o manino mai lava i le itu a le malo pe ua faila ni a latou moliaga fa'asaga i ali'i talavou e to'alua sa auai i le fa'atinoina o lenei solitulafono.

E 6 moliaga mamafa na ulua'i tu'uia ai e le malo ia Barja, lea e aofia ai moliaga e tolu o le talepe fale i le tulaga muamua fa'apea ai ma moliaga e 3 o le gaioi, e mafua mai i le fa'alavelave lea na latou osofaia ai ma ni ali'i talavou se to'alua le aoga i Tafuna, i le po o le aso 30 Novema, po o le aso 7 & 8 o Tesema 2015, atoa ai ma le po o le aso 1 & 2 Januari 2016, ae i lalo o se malilie na sainia e le ua moliaga ma talia e le fa'amasinoga, na tali ioe ai le ua moliaga i le moliaga mamafa o le gaioi, ae solofua ai loa e le fa'amasinoga isi moliaga na totee ai i le pepa o tagi sa fa'aulu e le malo.

I le tali ioe ai o Barja i le

moliaga e pei ona ta'usala ai o ia, sa ia ta'utino ai i le fa'amasinoga e fa'apea, i aso e pei ona taua i le latou malilie ma le malo, sa latou osofaia ai ma ni ali'i talavou se to'alua le Ofisa o le aoga mauaoga a Tafuna ma ulufale fa'amalosai ai i totonu, ma le fa'a e fa'atino ai le solitulafono o le gaioi.

A o latou i ai i totonu o le Ofisa o le aoga mauaoga, sa ia gaioia ai meatotino e pei o se ato sa i ai iPads e 45, fa'apea ai ma se laptop na ia gaioia mai i totonu

o le Ofisa o le polokalame o le JROTC a le aoga. Na ta'utino fo'i le ua moliaga, sa ia alu ma ave le isi iPad e silia i le \$100 lona tau, ma le fa'amoemoe ina ia le mafai ai e le aoga a Tafuna ona latou toe maua lea meatotino.

Na fa'atoese le ua moliaga i luma o le fa'amasinoga e tusa ai o lana solitulafono sa faia, ma ia talosagaina ai se isi avanoa mo ia se'i toe fo'i atu ai i lona aiga e fa'aauau lana aoga ma saili ai se isi lumana'i lelei mo ia. Na taua e Barja e fa'apea, o masina e 5

lea na taofia ai o ia i totonu o le falepuipui, ua ia a'oa'oina mai ai se lesonea taua ma le aoga mo lona olaga, e le aoga lea ituaiga nofoaga mo ia.

Na finau le loia a Barja ia Ude i le fa'amasinoga mo se fa'asalaga fa'anofovaavaaia, ina ia maua ai le avanoa e alu ai le ua moliaga e lesitala lona igoa i le Kolisi Tu'ufa'atasi mo le fa'aauauina o lana aoga, lea fo'i na lagolagoina e le loia a le malo ia Bob Pickett.

(Fa'auau itulau 7)

E Sili lava Matou!

Telefoni mai loa nei!

Ao e malaga mo tafaoga i atunu'u mamao pe e te tofa fo'i i lou maota i le po, o le taimi lea o lo o feoa'i solo ai le au gaioi ma le au talepe fale e fa'atino a latou galuega, aua loa la e te toe fa'atali ae telefoni mai loa i le Nana's Security Company latou te puipuiina lou maota, o lau pisinisi fa'apea ai ma au meatotino. Matou te fa'atinoina fo'i isi auaunaga e pei o a'oa'oga mo Leoleopo atoa ai ma galuega fa'a Leoleo, ina ia fa'aopoopo atili ai tomali ma agava'a o la matou aufaigaluega.

Ae afai fo'i e mana'omia le toe fa'aiila atili o lou maota, malumalu, poo lou Ofisa fo'i, aua ne'i galo, telefoni mai i le Nana's Janitorial & Landscaping Crew mo le fa'atinoina o lena auaunaga faigofie mo oe. Tu'u mai matou te fa'atinoina galuega pito sili ona faigata, ae alo pea oe e malolo ma saili le fiafia.



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[ata AF]

Falepuipui...

Mai itulau 6

A o lei aga'i atu ali'i fa'amasino mo le iloiloa o se fa'asalaga mo Barja, na maua le avanoa latou te iloiloa ai meatotino sa gaoia mai e le ua molia mai le aoga a Tafuna, lea na teuina e Leoleo i le potu e teu ai a latou mea molimau, lea e aofia ai iPads e 6, 2 laptops lapopo'a, 2 laptops laititi, fa'apea ai ma uae'a mo masini uma sa gaoia.

E ui na taua e Barja i luma o le fa'amasinoga e 7 iPads sa ia toe fa'afo'i i Leoleo i le taimi na pu'e fa'apagota ai o ia, peita'i na tumau pea le finau a Pickett i luma o le fa'amasinoga ina ua fesiligia poo fea ua ave i ai le isi iPad, e na o le 6 lava iPads na mafai ona teu ma taofi e Leoleo.

Saunoa le afioga i le ali'i fa'amasino ia Michael Kruse e fa'apea, o se sipika a se tamaititi aoga na gaoia mai i le taimi o le oso-faiga, na mafua ai ona maua e Leoleo fa'amatalaga e fa'ataui i le au talepe fale, ina ua maua e le tamaititi e ana le sipika se tasi o tamaititi o loo ia te ia lana sipika, ma ia logo ai loa Leoleo e uiga i lenei mataupu, ma o se itu e sili ona lelei ai, o le tele o meatotino sa gaoia na mafai ona toe maua.

O ni isi o poloaiga o le nofovaavaaia a Barja mo le 7 tausaga ua tu'uina atu e le fa'amasinoga, o lona totogi lea o le salatupe e \$1,000, totogi le tupe mo mea sa fa'aleagaina i le aofa'i e \$2,210, aua ne'i ona toe solia se tula-fono, ma ia tuli fo'i masina e 28 i le toese i Tafuna, peita'i o le taimi lava e fa'amaonia mai ai le mae'a lea ona lesitalaina o ia i le Kolisi Tu'ufa'atasi ma aoga ai, ona tatala loa lea o ia i tua e alu e aoga, ae fa'amalumalu isi masina o loo totoe o lana fa'asalaga fa'a falepuipui.

Fa'alauiloa Kovana isi ana tofiga fou mo sui o lana Kapeneta

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O le vaiaso ua te'a na fa'alauiloa ai e le afioga i le ali'i kovana ni isi o ana tofiga ua mae'a ona faia, mo i latou e avea ma sui o lana Kapeneta fou mo lenei 4 tausaga ua amata, aemaise ai le avea o i latou nei ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o matagaluega ma ofisa eseese o le malo.

O ni isi o tofiga fou a le afioga i le ali'i kovana ia Lolo Matalasi Moliga na fa'alauiloa e aofia ai le tofia o le faletua o Evelyn Lili'o Satele e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le Ofisa o Tagata Matutua i Pago Pago (TAOA), e fa'atali ai le taimi e tu'uina atu ai lona suafa i luma o le Fono Faitulafono mo le fa'amaoniaina.

O le faletua ia Evelyn, o ia lea o le faletua o le afioga i le ali'i Fa'amasino Lagolago ia Satele Lili'o Satele, ma ua filifilia o ia e sui tulaga i le tofa a Ale Tifimalae Ale sa ia tauaveina mai lenei tofiga mo le 4 tausaga ua mavae, ae na fa'amavae o ia i le fa'aiuga o le tausaga na te'a nei, ina ua le atoatoa le tulaga o lona soifua maloloina.

O le aso 19 o Ianuari na aloaia ai le tauaveina e Evelyn o le tofiga fou e pei ona filifilia ai o ia.

O le isi tofiga a le ali'i kovana e aofia ai le filifilia o le tofa a Va'amua Henry Sesepasara e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le Matagaluega o le Puipuga o le Vaomatua ma le Gataifale (DMWR), e sui tulaga ai i le Fa'atonusili sa ia tauaveina le nofoa mo le 4 tausaga ua mavae atu ia Dr. Ruth Matagi-Tofiga, lea ua filifilia e le ali'i kovana e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le Matagaluega o Aoga a le malo mo le isi 4 tausaga o lo o lumana'i nei.

O le tofa a Va'amua sa avea muamua fo'i ma Fa'atonusili o le Matagaluega lea ua toe tofia i ai o ia i tausaga ua mavae, sa avea fo'i o ia ma Faipule mo le afioga i Pago Pago i le maota o sui.

O le aso 19 Ianuari na aloaia ai le tauaveina e Va'amua o lenei tofiga, e fa'atali ai le aso e tu'uina atu ai lona suafa i luma

o le Fono Faitulafono mo le fa'amaoniaina.

O le tofiga mulimuli a le afioga i le ali'i kovana e aofia ai le toe tofia o Ameko Pato e avea ma Fa'atonusili o le Matagaluega o le Puipuga o le Si'osi'omaga i Amerika Samoa (AS-EPA).

Na taua e Lolo lona fiafia ina ua mafai ona toe filifilia Pato e tautua i lana faigamalo mo le lona lua ai lenei o ana nofoaiga.

O le tofiga o le Fa'atonusili o le Ofisa o le AS-EPA fa'apea ai ma isi Ofisa tumaoti sa fa'avae i luga o le Poloaiga a le kovana, e le mana'omia le tu'uina atu i luma o le Fono Faitulafono mo le fa'amaoniaina, ae o le taimi lava e tofia ai i latou ua avea ma Fa'atonusili, o le taimi fo'i lea e aloaia ai loa lo latou tauaveina o lea tofiga taua a le malo.

O le vaiaso muamua na tatala aloaia ai le ulua'i tauaofiaga a le Fono Faitulafono a Amerika Samoa, mo lana nofoaiga lona 35 lea ua nofoia nei, na tauaao ai e maota e lua ni isi o tofiga e 5 a le ali'i kovana, mo i latou ua ia filifilia e avea ma sui o le Kapeneta mo le isi 4 tausaga o lo o lumana'i nei.

O ia tofiga e aofia ai lona toe filifilia o le afioga ia Fuiavailiili Keniseli Lafaele e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le Matagaluega o Fefa'atauiga ma Alamanuia a le malo (DOC), ma fa'aauau ai pea lana auunaga mo le malo mo le nofoaiga fou lenei.

Na taua e Lolo i lana tusi i ta'ita'i o le Fono Faitulafono lona fa'atuatuaina o le tautua ma le auunaga sa fa'atinoina e Fuiavailiili i le 4 tausaga ua mavae atu, aemaise ai lona naunau ina ia toe fa'aauau pea lea auunaga i le atunu'u i le lumana'i.

O le isi tofiga a le ali'i kovana e aofia ai le toe filifilia o le tofa a Taeoafua Dr. Meki Solomona e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le Matagaluega o Tautua ma Auunaga Lautele mo le atunu'u (DHSS), le tofiga sa ia tauaveina mai i le 4 tausaga ua mavae. Na taua e le ali'i kovana i ta'ita'i o le Fono lona fa'anaunaga maua luga o lo o i

ai, ina ia toe fa'amaonia le tofa Taeoafua e avea ma ta'ita'i o lenei Ofisa taua a le malo.

O le susuga i le ali'i Loia ia Douglas Fiaui lea ua toe filifilia e avea ma Loia Fautua mo Tagata Lautele a le atunu'u, le auunaga sa ia fa'atinoina mai i le 4 tausaga ua mavae, fa'atasi ai ma tofiga mo sui tama'ita'i e to'alua, le susuga ia Faleosina Voigt lea ua toe filifilia e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le

Matagaluega o Galuega Lautele a le malo, ma Catherine Saelua lea ua toe filifilia e avea ma Fa'atonusili le tumau o le Ofisa o le Paketi a le malo, o galuega sa la galulue ai fo'i i le 4 tausaga ua mavae.

Na taua e Lolo i lana tusi lona talitonuina o le tomai ma le agava'a ua i ai i nei tama'ita'i fa'atonusili le tumau, la te fa'atinoina ai le galuega e tautua ai le atunu'u.

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[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

Fa’aaliga - Talitonu i ai pe Leai?

tusia: Leua Aiono Frost

Manatua le tama’ita’i na fa’ailo manu’a i ona foliga ma ona lima i le vaitimi o le Aso Maliu i le tausaga ua tuana’i, ua fa’ailoa mai, ua matua o’o lava o ia i Roma ma ia feiloa’i ma le Pope, ma fa’ailoa mai, ua mae’a valoia e ia mea o le a tutupu i le lalolagi i se taimi lata mai, ma ua finagalo fo’i le Pope ina ia fa’alauiloa mai e i latou i se taimi e le o toe mamao

Na malaga fa’atasi le tama’ita’i o Toaipuapuaga Opapo ma lona tama, o se Faifeau o le EFKS i Samoa, fa’atasi ma Toa ma lona to’alua ina ia molioo le tama’ita’i vavalu i Roma mo se la’ua feiloa’iga aloaia ma le Pope atoa ai ma le vasega o ta’ita’i o lea lava Ekalesia, ona o le manatu lava ina ia talitonu i latou i manu’a o lea tama’ita’i.

O le masina o Oketopa 2016 na to’ ai taunu’u ai Toaipuapuaga ma le aumalaga i Roma, ae fa’ailoa mai, e 44 fe’au taua ua mae’a valoia e ia, e aofia ai ma pagatia o le a fetai ai ma lona tama Rev. Opapo Soana’i, pe a talii mai i Samoa. O lea fe’au e tu’u sa’o mai i le susuga le ta’ita’ifono o le EFKS i Samoa, Rev. Elder Senara Tautiaga, ma e le mafai ona fa’alauiloa se’i vagana o lana susuga lea.

Ua i ai le fa’ailoga ua mae’a fa’ailoa fo’i e Toa i le vasega o taitai o le Ekalesia Katoliko Roma, ma sa fa’aoo lea fa’aaliga i le Pope ma ua fai mai Rev. Opapo, “sa tigaina tele Toa i le taimi na fa’aosofia mai ai lea fa’ailoga ma na va’aia e le to’atele le toto mai o ona foliga ma ona lima, aua e ogaoga fo’i tiga sa ia fa’alogoina.”

Ua taoto lea fa’aaliga i ta’ita’i o le Ekalesia Katoliko ina ia mua’i sailia mea ua fa’aalia pe fa’amaonia, ona fa’ato’a fa’alauiloa mai lea. O lea fa’aaliga, sa mana’omia lava ona aofia ai ma le Pope ona fa’ato’a ia fa’aalia lea ia Tesema 18, 2016.

Ua fa’ailoa e Opapo i le Talamua, “O nei fa’ailoga uma ua tusia e Toa i le gagna Eperu, ma ua amatalia fo’i suesuega a polofesa i Roma e tusa ai o nei mea uma ua tusia. Peita’i, i lenei tama’ita’i, e le iloa fa’atasi e ia se fa’a-Eperu mai lona soifua mai.”

E ese mai suesuega a le Ekalesia Katoliko i nei mea ua ia tusia, ae ua fa’apena foi ona faia sailiga a foma’i o le mafaufau ma le tino pe mata o afaina le soifua maloloina o Toaipuapuaga. Peita’i, talu mai le amataga o nei mea uma i le aso Maliu 2016, e le o ma’i lava Toa.

E ui ina tele faitioga e fa’asaga i lenei tamaita’i ona o lenei mea, ae maumaututu pea fa’ailo ua va’aia e tagata e tusa ai fo’i ona tiga pe a o’o ina afuafua mai se fa’aaliga.

O lea ua oo ina tulaeleele o ia i le Vatikana, aua o se tasi o fa’aaliga, e tatau ai ona oo o ia i lea a’ ai tele a le Ekalesia Katoliko mo fa’aaliga taua i ta’ita’i o le Ekalesia, ae maise le Pope. Ua liu lotu fo’i Toa ma ua fa’aipoipo ai i lona to’alua, lea ua latou malaga uma i Roma. Ua fa’ailoa mai, ua toe fa’aopoopo le isi ono masina o le nonofo ai o Toa ma lona aiga i Roma, ae talii mai lona tama, ina ia sailiilia uma nei valoaga ua ia fa’aalia e ta’ita’i ma polofesa o le Gagana Eperu i Roma.

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VAEGA - XXVI

by Sam

Na pei e pe le fatu o le auauna ina ua faliu atu i le nofoa pito i tua o le ta’avale sa nofo ai le teineititi pologa o Ianeta, ua leai se isi o nofo mai ai. “Lau susuga i le Ta’ita’i Fitafta, ua leai se teineititi pologa sa i totonu o le ta’avale”, e fai lava tala a le auauna ma tago atu ua toe fa’a solomuli le ta’avale, ma toe aga’i atu loa i le vaega o le auala lea sa la aga’i mai ai ma le teineititi pologa lenei, atonu na te toe maua atu ai, ae o le Ta’ita’i Fitafta i le taimi lea, ua matua tumu i le le fiafia, ona o lea ua tau masalosalo lona loto i le mafua’aga na ala ai ona aga’i mai le au ali’i ia sa latou feiloa’i i luma o le faitoto’a o le nofoaga, e o mai e avatu fa’agaoi le teineititi pologa lea ua mae’a ona fa’atau mai e lo latou matai ina ia fai ma pologa i totonu o le malo.

E tiga ona manu’a vae o le teineititi meauli i le taimi na oso ai i fafo ma le ta’avale, ae na onosa’i lava le tiga ae ua sola ausulusulu i lalo o laau tetele o loo tu mai i le isi pito o le togavao ma le fa’amoemoe e maua i ai sona mapusaga, na ona taunu’u atu lava o le teineititi i lalo o se tasi o laau tele lava, ona nofo ai loa lea i lalo o a’a tetele o le laau ma to ai lona sela mo sina taimi puupuu, ona toe fa’aauau ai lea o lana sola’aga ina ne’i maua mai o ia e le auauna.

Ua manaia le agi malu mai o le savili i lea afiafi, ma ua fa’alogoina fo’i e le teineititi pologa pesega a manu felelei i luga o laau, ma ua pei ai lava ua toe oo i lona aiga sa ola a’e ai i afiafi fa’apea, e le gata i le malu o le savili e puaina atu e laau, ae o le malu fo’i o pesega e momoli atu e manu felelei o le vaomatua. O le vaivai tele o le teineititi, lagona le fefe ma le manaia o le malu o le ea i lalo o le laau tele o loo lafi fa’apupu’u ai, na fa’afuase’i ai lava ona fa’agalegale moe le teineititi, ma i’u ai lava ona moe gase loa.

A o moe le teineititi pologa o Ianeta, sa fa’afuase’i ona fai lana miti, fai mai ua malu le afiafi ona faia lea

o le la lotu afiafi ma lona grandfather, ma tu’u atu ai le avanoa ia te ia na te faia ai le tatalo, ona ia tatalo ai lea ma le fiafia, ina ua maua le avanoa e talanoa ai i le Atua ma fa’afetai i ai mo mea lelei uma ua ia faia mo le la aiga.

O le malulu o le po ao moe e leai se ie afu i lalo o a’a o le laau tele i le togavao, na fa’afuase’i ai loa ona motu fa’afuase’i le miti a le teineititi meauli ina ua ala i luga ma ia vaaia ai le susulu manaia o le masina i le po, fa’atasi ai ma le pogisa o lalo o laau o loo nofo ai. E lei lagona e le teineititi se fefe, se’i vagana ai lona fia oo i lona aiga, le fale o le fafine sau a Mekala ma lona to’alua le alofa o Pulusi.

Sei o tatou liliu atu lava i le osofaiga a le tamaloa o Meki ma ana Leoleo fa’apitoa lea ua aga’i mai. E fetai lava le malu ane o le afiafi ae taunu’u loa i totonu o le loloto o le vaomatua le osofaiga a le tamaloa o Meki ma lana vaega. Manatua fo’i, e eseese uma itu ia ua aga’i atu i ai le osofaiga, o Meki ma le isi ana tama fa’apitoa o loo ui atu i le itu i sasa’e o le nofoaga o loo i ai tagata pologa, ae o isi ali’i e to’atolu o loo ui aga’i atu i le itu i sisifo, o le itu tonu lava lea o loo aga’i mai ai le sola’aga a le teineititi pologa o Ianeta.

O le pogisa o le po na faia ai loa le tonu a Meki ma lana soatau, o le a la malolo i lalo o se tasi o laau tele mo le po, e fa’atali ai le oso a’e o le la i le taeao, sa fa’apena fo’i ona faia e isi ali’i o le latou vaega i le isi itu, ae o le ta’aligoligoa o le po ua leai se mea e toe gase, na taia ai i le fa’alogo a Meki ma lana soatau leo o pesega a tagata o loo sau mai se tasi o itu e le mamao ese atu ma le nofoaga o loo la i ai, o lea na faia ai loa le tonu o le a la toe tula’i ma fa’alatalata atu i le nofoaga o loo aga’i mai ai pesega ma leo o tagata o loo pisapisao. Ua aga’i atu le sailiga ma aga’i atu pea, seia oo ina la taunu’u atu i luga o se tasi o pito mauga, ma la vaaia ai le motu o tagata uli o loo faia a latou siva ma fiafiaga i totonu o le aai lea o loo nonofo pologa ai.



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CHRISTINA MALAUULU

O le vaiaso na te’a nei na taofia fa’apagota mai ai e Leoleo se Tina mai Amouli, ona o tu’uaiga i lona fa’alala lea o se fana i ni ali’i sa ta’alao otaota i luga o le alatele i lea itu o le atunu’u.

O moliaga mama e lua ua tu’uaia ai e le malo ia Christina Malauulu poo Chrissy e pei ona valaau ai o ia e le to’atele, e aofia ai le moliaga o le fa’atupu vevesi i nofoaga faitele, atoa ai ma le moliaga o le fa’ao’olima i le tulaga tolu.

Na teena e Malauulu tu’uaiga fa’asaga ia te ia ina ua tula’i i luma o le fa’amasinoga fa’aitumalo i le vaiaso na te’a nei, ma ua toe tatalaina nei o ia i tua e aunoa ma se tupe na totogi e fa’atali ai le aso 9 Fepuari lea ua fa’atulaga e toe valaau ai lana mataupu i luma o le fa’amasinoga.

O ni isi o tuutuuga ua tatala ai Malauulu i tua e aofia ai le fa’asa lea ona ia toe taumafai e fa’afeso’ota’i ali’i na a’afia, aua ne’i ona toe solia se tulafono, aua fo’i ne’i ona umia ni a’upega mata’utia, a ia avea o ia ma tagatanu’u e tausisi i tulafono a le malo i taimi nei.

O le mataupu lenei na tofu atu i le Ofisa o Leoleo i Fagaitua, ina ua talosagaina e se tasi o ali’i na a’afia i lea fa’alavelave le Ofisa o Leoleo mo se fesoasoani, ina ua ia lagona le fefe atoa ai ma lona popole i lona saogalemu, ona o se fafine sa ia tu’uaia le tago fa’alele atu se fana ia te ia ma ni isi o ali’i sa latou i ai fa’atasi, ma tofia ai loa le ali’i Kapeteni ia Capt. John Cendrowship na te su’esu’eina lenei mataupu.

E tusa ai ma fa’amaumauga a le Fa’amasinoga Fa’aitumalo, e to’atolu ali’i na a’afia i lenei mataupu, o i latou fo’i ia na fesiligia e Leoleo mo le tu’uina atu o ni fa’amatalaga e uiga i lenei fa’alavelave.

Na taua uma e ali’i na a’afia i Leoleo e fa’apea, ao latou galulue ai e fa’amama le otaota i tafatafa o le alatele i Amouli, sa fa’afuase’i ona latou vaaia se ta’avale lapo’a lanu enaena, le ituaiga o le SUV ua sosolo atu ma tu i o latou tafatafa, ona tatala lea o le faitoto’a o le ta’avale ma latou iloa atu ai se fafine, ua ia fa’alala atu se tama’i fana ia tei latou ma palauvale atu i upu mataga eseese uma o lenei olaga, ma fa’afefe i latou i le fana, ona fa’afuase’i lea ona toe alu ese le ta’avale a le fafine.

Na taua e molimau i Leoleo e fa’apea, e lei umi ona alu ese atu le ta’avale a le ua molia ae latou toe vaaia fo’i le toe sosolo atu, ona toe fai fo’i lea o le amio a le ua molia, o le tatala o le faitoto’a ae lafo atu upu palauvale ia te i latou.

Na taua e le molimau lona lua e fa’apea, ina ua toe alu atu fa’alua le ta’avale a le ua molia, sa ia toe tatala le faitoto’a ma fesili atu i lona igoa, o lea sa ia tali i ai e fa’ailoa i ai o ia tonu lea o loo ia tau sailia, ae sa fa’asaga atu le ua molia ma ta’i atu le fana ia te ia ma fai mai, “aisea e te alu ai ma fa’asalalau tala o la’u tama teine lea e faia fualaau fa’asaina”.

Na taua e le molimau lona fefe ma le le mautonu, peita’i sa fa’aauau pea ona ta’i atu e le ua molia le fana ma lafo atu upu palauvale ia tei latou, ona toe alu ese ai lea o lana ta’avale.

Na su’e e Leoleo le ta’avale a le ua molia, ma maua i ai se fana o le ituaiga o le .45 i lalo o le nofoa o le ta’avale. E lei mana’o fo’i le ua molia e fai sana fa’amatalaga i Leoleo, se’i vagana ua talanoa i se loia.

STEPHEN MC RAW

O le ali’i papalagi lea na tu’uaia e le malo i le vaiaso na te’a nei i lona gaoia lea o se pepa fao e na o le \$1.75 le tau mai le faleoloa o le Tools Shop i Tafuna, ua molia nei o ia e le malo i le moliaga mama o le gaoi, ma ua toe tolopo lana mataupu e toe fofogaina i luma o le fa’amasinoga i le aso 31 o Ianuari i le itula e 8:30 i le taeao.

E ui e na o le tasi le moliaga mama lea ua tu’uaia ai e le malo le ali’i o Stephen Mc Raw, ae na poloaina lava e le afioga i le ali’i Fa’amasino ia Fiti Sunia le tupe e \$200 e totogi ona fa’atoa mafai lea ona tatala le ua molia i tua, ina ua musu le ua molia e saina le pepa sa tu’uina atu e le malo e fa’ailoa atu ai le mafua’aga o le tagi ua faia fa’asaga ia te ia.

Na taumafai Mc Raw e fa’atoese i le fa’amasinoga e tusa ai o lana gaioiga sa faia, atoa ai ma lona fa’ailoa i le ali’i fa’amasino, “e na o le \$1.75 le tau o le pepa fao sa ia aveeseina”, peita’i na taofi e le ali’i fa’amasino le ua molia mai lona faia o soo se fa’amatalaga, ae lelei pe a talanoa i lana loia o Kate Hannaher e tusa ai o le mataupu ua tu’uaia ai o ia.

Na finau Hannaher i le fa’amasinoga ina ia tatala Mc Raw i tua e aunoa ma se tupe e totogi, peita’i sa tete’e i ai le itu a le malo, ona o popolega i le saogalemu o tagata lautele atoa ai ma le ua molia. Na taua atili e le itu a le malo e fa’apea, talu ai o le ua molia o loo vaaia le nofonono solo i nofoaga eseese i fanua a le malo i Tafuna, ma e le o mautinoa lelei poo fea lona aiga, o le mafua’aga lea e tatau ai lava ona fa’atulaga se tupe e totogi e mafai ai ona tatala o ia, ina ia mautinoa ai e auai mai lava o ia i taimi uma e valaau ai lana mataupu.



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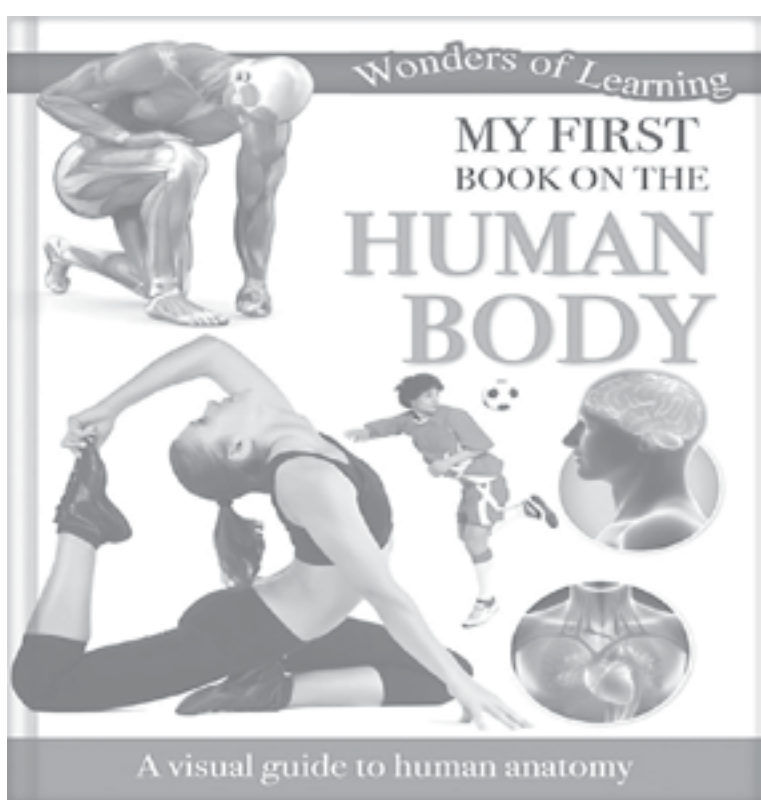
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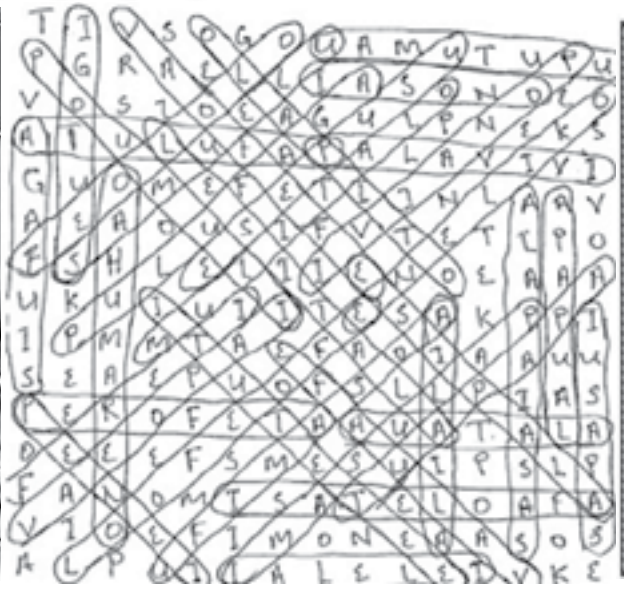
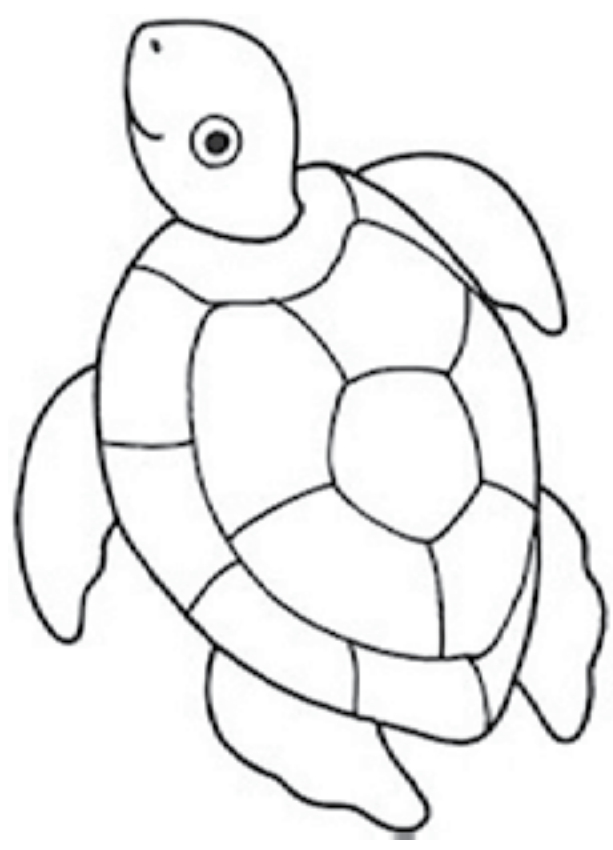
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Universal Crossword

Edited by Timothy Parker January 24, 2017

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1

Surprising way to be taken?

6

Jungle primates
- 10

Monopoly phrase with "Jail"
- 14
- Trickery

15

Turn over, as land

16

As ____ (letter closing)

17

When Lil Wayne is happy, he feels ...

19

Gambler's giveaway

20

Athlete's lasting power

21

Use the bow, to a cellist

22

____ out a living (gets by)

25

Seat in a cathedral

26

Scientific Sir Isaac

28

Horizontal graph line

30

Sharpie tip, e.g.

32

"Well, ____-di-dah"

33

Cinders container

35

Big-time tire maker

39

Tai ____ (martial art type)

40

Lithium-____ battery

42

"____ to a Nightingale"

43

Wharton degree

44

Gifted

47

Slobbers

49

Suitable for the job

50

Nursery school enrollee

52

Part of a teapot

53

Stickler for perfection

56

Eggy Christmas drink

58

Most fit for the draft

59

When planes are expected to land, informally

60

Pranksters

63

Guitarist for Michael Jackson, once

64

When Mr. Tebow is hopeful, he feels ...

68

Answered all test questions perfectly

69

"As ____ on TV!"

70

Fertilizer from bats

71

Load on board

72

Some pass catchers

73

Like an overused oven?

DOWN

1

Application inquiry

2

Bakery offering

3

The only thing in an empty bottle

4

Like the best old-school rock

5

Possessed

6

Shrewdness

7

Thing for an English barrister

8

Eve slept here

9

Car with legroom

10

Brief vacation

11

When Buzz Aldrin is elated, he is ...

12

Verizon is one

13

Fabric from DuPont

18

Light hit

22

With no need for an estimation

23

Buckwheat cereal

24

When Donald Trump won the election, he felt ...

27

They deserve respect

29

They come marching in, in song

31

Thing screamed at a villain or blind ump

34

"____ in a million years!"

36

Like 1, 37 or 199

37

"Devil With Dress On"

38

One sporting dreadlocks

41

Angler's gear

45

TV show unit

46

Gave generously

48

Critter that plays dead

51

Poisons

53

Rose piece

54

New York city

55

This plus that

57

Diamond or ruby

61

Doing business

62

Fits with sails

65

Way of the East

66

The write stuff

67

Playing hard-to-get

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER



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EUGENIA LAST

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

THE LAST WORD IN ASTROLOGY

Happy Birthday: Make a difference, reach out and offer your services and help to those in need. An enthusiastic approach will bring positive and negative results. You can't please everyone, so choose your battles wisely and aim to do what brings you the most satisfaction. Change will lead to greater satisfaction as well as prosperity. Be a participant and make a difference. Your numbers are 7, 18, 21, 24, 29, 38, 43.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Learn as you go. Your dedication and desire to do your best will be praised by some but shunned by those who are jealous of you. Don't let anyone interfere with your progress. Disagreements will only slow you down. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Foolish spending or selling yourself short when negotiating a deal will be apparent if you don't take your time and consider unique ways to get the most out of your dollar, your time and your effort. Don't settle for less. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Emotions will take over, leading to disruption if you aren't aware of all sides of a situation. Take a step back and consider what's best for everyone, and do your best to make it happen. Avoid demanding people. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Live by your rules. Make suggestions and paint a colorful picture of the way you see your future unfolding. Honesty and integrity will help you avoid being trapped in a situation that doesn't live up to your expectations. Romance is featured. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't get angry -- get moving. Look for alternatives. Don't feel the need to stay put if you are bored. A partnership you form with someone will offer a little extra income and a chance to be your own boss. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Set up shop and get things done. Don't linger when a timeline is in force. Stretch your imagination and you will discover ways to make your life easier. Surprise someone who is expecting you to fall short. Romance is encouraged. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be careful how you handle friends and relatives. A diplomatic and disciplined approach to suggestions will help you avoid getting into a dispute. If you want to bring about change, offer incentives and choices. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Listen and learn. Share your experience and knowledge. This is a great day for discovery and putting new plans in motion. Children, friends and lovers will play a major role in your life and the decisions you make moving forward. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Listen to sound advice. It's best to take time to mull over what you want to do or say before you jump into action. Delays will arise while traveling, or confusion will set in regarding domestic issues. Avoid confrontations. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Secrets will be revealed due to emotional outbursts. Be prepared to take care of any damages that occur as a result of someone's lack of discretion. Keep your plans simple, honest and within reason to avoid controversy. Make love, not war. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Be the one to bring about positive change. Get involved in events that will give you the platform you need to raise awareness. It takes reason, common sense and an astute ability to get things done properly and on time. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Proceed with caution. Trying to fit too much into your day will bring few results. It is best to concentrate on whatever will bring the highest returns. Getting emotionally caught up in someone else's affairs will be to your detriment. **

Birthday Baby: You are progressive, inventive and timely. You are passionate and intense.

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

MOTHER-IN-LAW'S POP-INS MAKE ANGRY WIFE POP OFF

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law has begun doing the "pop-in." My husband passive-aggressively hinted that he wished he had known she was coming over. Her response was, "I'm your mother; I don't need to let you know when I'm coming over." I regard this as total disrespect.

She has done this plenty of times -- including popping in when I was having a dinner with my parents and children, which made her mad because she and my father-in-law hadn't been invited.

She did the pop-in again last week. My husband, four children and I were about to sit down to a family dinner when she rang the doorbell. I didn't have enough food for her and my father-in-law, which made us all uncomfortable. She made a sarcastic comment, "Gee, I guess I shouldn't have come over," then she sat in the living room staring at us as we ate.

I have begged my husband to say something, but he says it would be disrespectful. I said it is disrespectful that she comes over without checking with us first. What's your take on this? -- NO POP-INS, PLEASE

DEAR NO POP-INS: You have my sympathy. Your mother-in-law is a handful. Your husband may be so cowed by his mother that he's afraid to assert himself. You are under no obligation to entertain anyone who pops in, including her. The next time she shows up unannounced, remind her to call first and suggest that she come back some other time.

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DEAR ABBY: My fiancée has a 15-year-old son, "Jason," who spends countless hours in his room playing Xbox with his buddies. He is loud and obviously has fun, by the sound of it. However, when he comes out for meals, he doesn't communicate or answer questions like, "How was school?" or "What do you think of that?"

My fiancée and I don't live together. We see each other three times a year for two to three weeks at a time. My fiancée says Jason acts the same way whether I'm here or not. He isn't close with his dad, either.

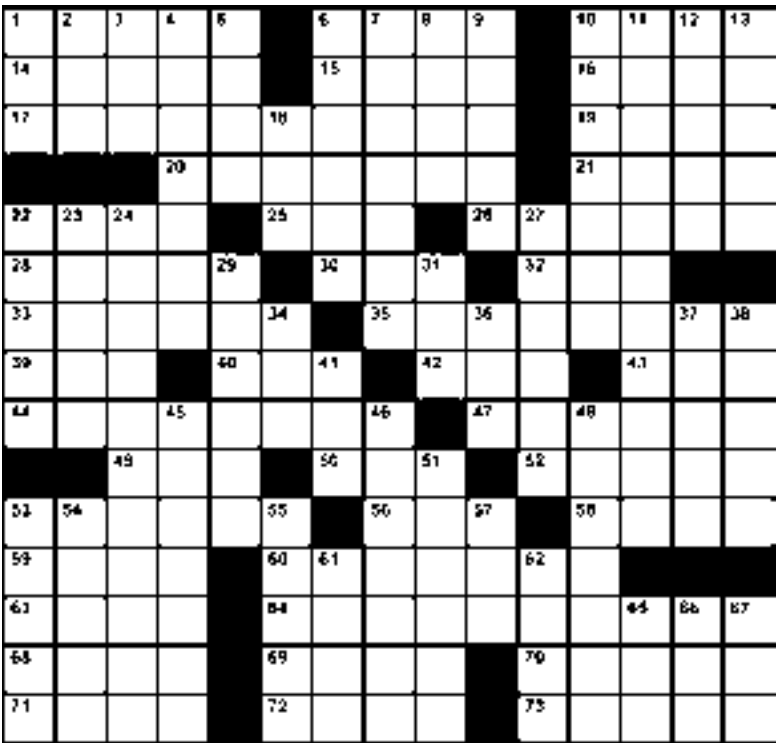
Is this a phase that he will grow out of, or does he need professional help? We get along, but there is never much conversation. I ask questions to encourage interaction, but it hasn't been successful. -- FRUSTRATED IN MONTANA

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Whether Jason's going through a phase or not depends on whether he has always had poor verbal skills and ignored questions he was asked. He might be reluctant to answer because he's having problems socially or academically in school, or because the opinions you're asking for concern things he has never given much thought to.

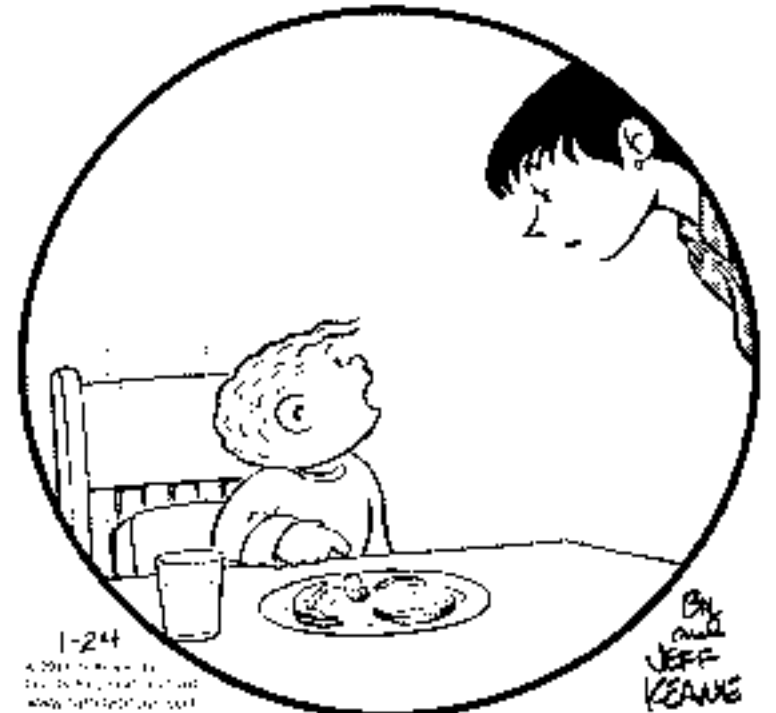
Boys that age are sometimes less verbal than when they are older, and their dependence on social media has contributed to it. Teens who spend most of their time in the virtual world tend to have lower verbal abilities than those who spend less.

If you and your fiancée are truly concerned, she should talk about this with a counselor at Jason's school and ask if counseling or intervention of any kind is needed.

1/24 WHAT HAPPINESS MEANS TO OTHERS By Timothy E. Parker



THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"If the crust is the best part, why do they stick so much stuff in the middle?"

Rare's—Believe It or Not!



AN AVERAGE BABBIT HOUND WOULD BE SHOCKED AT THE WAY HE BEHAVES HIS HEART

THANKS TO HER ROLE AS VIOLET IN "WILLY WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY" ACTRESS DENISE NICKERSON WRAPPED FILMING WITH 13 CAVITIES!

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Calvin & Hobbes © by Bill Watterson



HI, SUSIE HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

HELLO, CALVIN THANKS FOR COMING

OH, LOOK AT YOUR STUFFED TIGER! HE'S WEARING A TIE!

HE'S JUST ADORABLE!

OK, YOU WERE RIGHT GIRL! PUP FOR YES! YOU CAN STOP WINKING AT ME!

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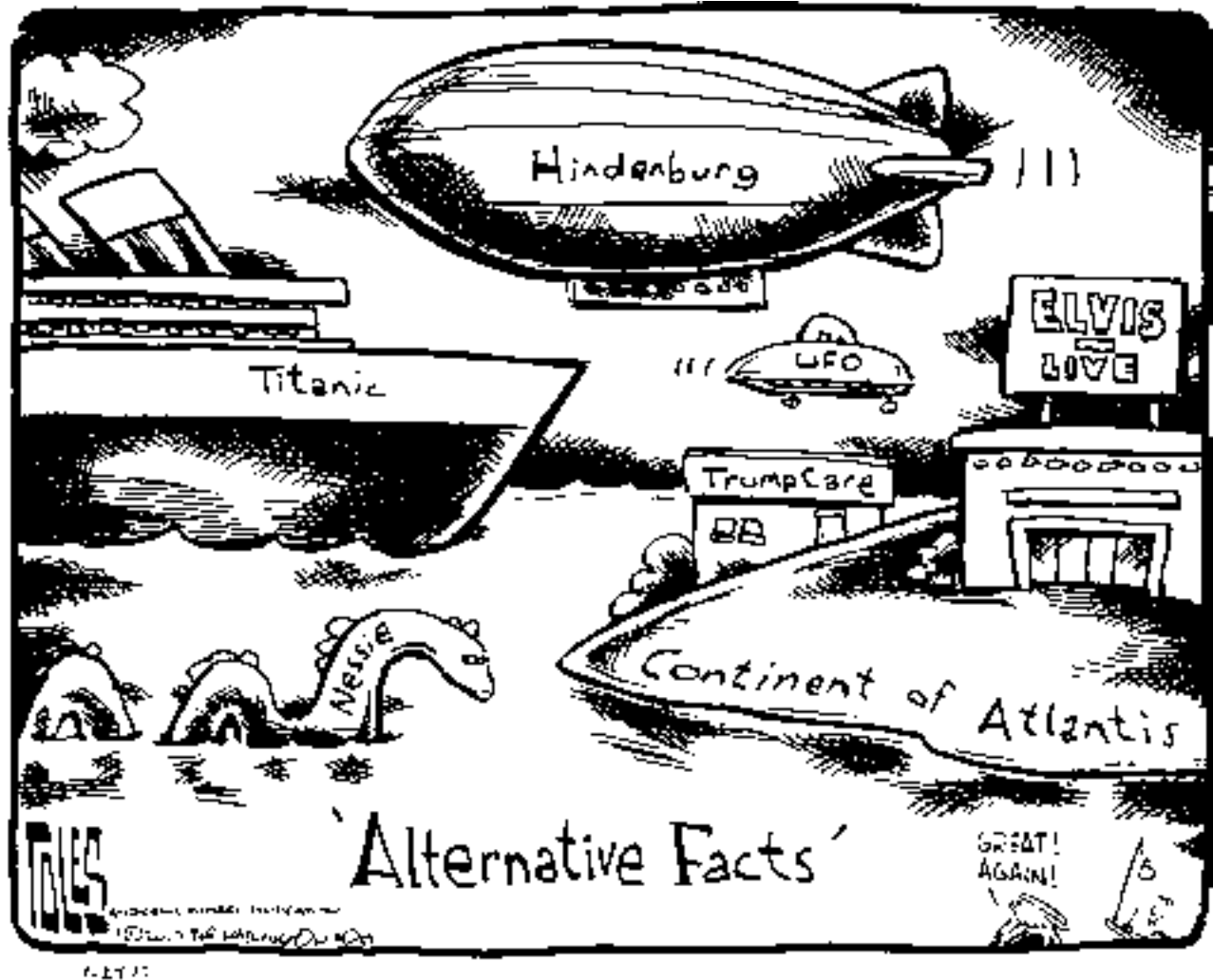
THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE? YES, AGAIN!

YOU MIGHT IN THE WORLD DOES THE PRINCIPAL WANT TO SEE ME ABOUT? MAYBE HE WANTS ME TO MANAGE THE SCHOOL BALL TEAM THIS NEXT SEASON... I DUST IT!

GOING TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE IS A SCARY THING...

I THINK THE PURPOSE OF PUTTING THE DOOR KNOB UP HIGH TO MAKE YOU FEEL NEER ON!

'Alternative Facts'



Hindenburg

Titanic

UFO

ELVIS LIVE

TrumpCare

Continent of Atlantis

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GREAT! AGAIN!

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IT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR THEM TO BE LETHARGIC... AFTER ALL HE IS OVER 300 MILLION YEARS OLD!!

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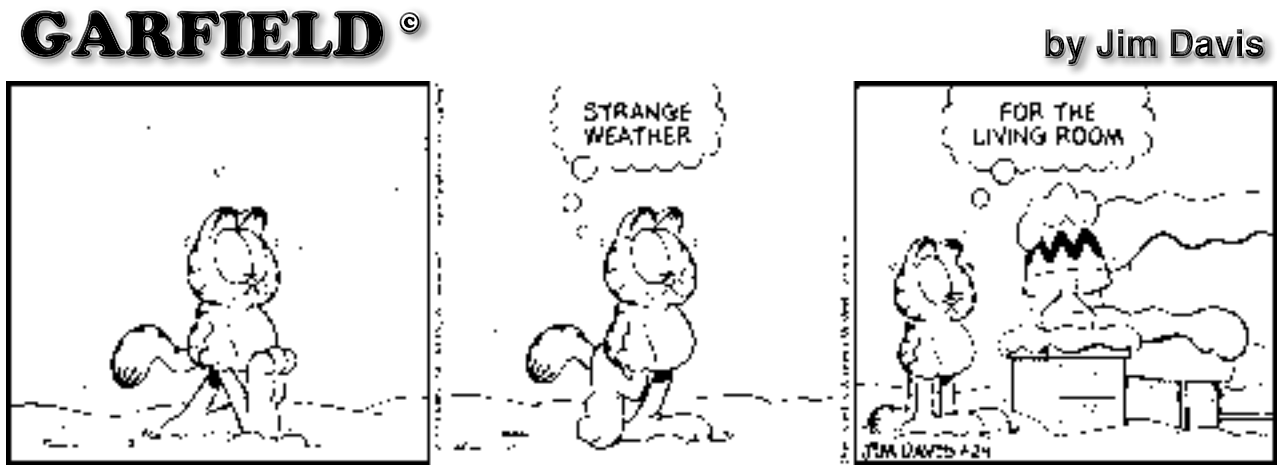
MY WIFE HAS A MIND THAT NEVER FORGETS!

SAME AS MY WIFE!

IT'S A MARRIED MAN'S CURSE, I TELL YOU!

REALLY? I KIND OF LIKE IT THAT HELGA CAN REMEMBER OVER 300 RECIPES!

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STRANGE WEATHER

FOR THE LIVING ROOM

Sudoku Pacific

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

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1/24 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

Monday's Puzzle Answer

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TELL ME A STORY:

The Nian of the Mountains



(A CHINESE FOLKTALE)

*adapted by Amy Friedman
and illustrated by Meredith*

Nian of the Mountains

⊗ Long ago in the mountains, there lived a horrible demon creature called the Nian. At the start of each new year, the creature woke and raced down from the mountains to attack a village. Once there, he attacked all the chickens and cattle and any other creature he spotted. He swallowed all the grain, and if a little child was in his way, he ate that child too. People were terrified, and before the start of each new year, they prepared to protect everyone and everything they loved.

This meant the start of each new year was filled with fear, not hope, and sorrow, not joy. As people boarded up their houses to protect their families and locked the animals inside their barns, they whispered and wept. They pulled their blinds and held their breath and warned their children not to go outside. Each new year was sadder than the one before.

One year, in a tiny village at the foot of the mountain, as the villagers prepared to protect themselves, a stranger appeared. He was an old man, and he walked with a limp, but he wandered through the village asking everyone why they were afraid.

"The Nian is coming to destroy us," the people said.

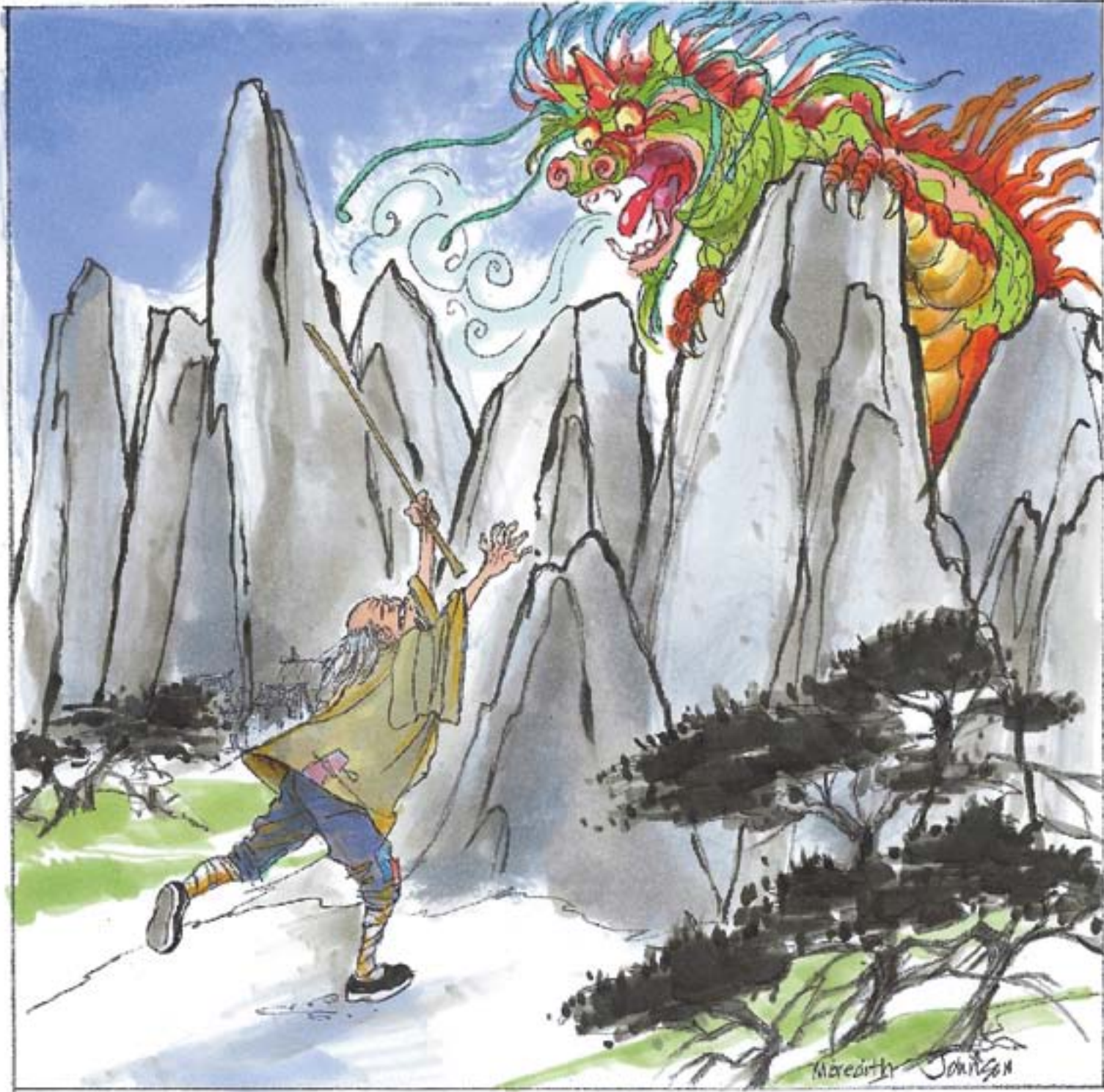
"But there are so many of you," the old man argued. "He is only one. He could never swallow all of you."

"You never know," they whispered, and they wondered at this strange old man who seemed so unafraid.

When the eve of the new year arrived, the villagers began to lock themselves inside their homes. Many people invited the old man to join them, but he refused. He stayed outside, waiting for the Nian to appear.

At midnight, as the Nian descended from the mountain, the old man cried, "Watch out! I'm coming to get you," and he began to chase him. The Nian was startled at the sight of this strange old man so unafraid that he turned and ran away.

All night long, the old man chased him up and down mountains, into the valleys, past houses and barns, through rice paddies and rivers. Just before



dawn, the Nian raced up to the top of his mountain and ran into his cave.

There he lay down, starving, exhausted, furious and vowing to destroy the village the next night.

But when the Nian came the next night, the old man chased him again. Once again, the Nian returned home to his cave, starving and worn.

This went on for five nights. Each night the old man seemed more energized, and the Nian seemed slower, smaller and weaker.

As the people watched this incredible sight, they began to understand. The wise men of

the village gathered together to discuss it, and they concluded that the old man was a god who had come to save them.

The wise men called upon the old man. They bowed down to him. "We understand you are a god sent to protect us," they said. "We are grateful."

The old man nodded. "Yes, you are right, but I cannot stay and protect you forever. You must learn to use your own wits and strength. Now you see how easy it is to frighten the beast."

The wise men listened closely to the old man's wisdom.

"The beast fears the color red," he said. "So you must

spread the color red across the village. Hang a red sign upon each door. He is also terrified of noise, so make noise. Play drums and horns. Set off fireworks. Sing as loudly as you can!"

The wise men nodded. "And how shall we protect our children?" they asked.

"Give them masks to wear and lanterns to carry. Teach them to shout and sing and dance. Tell them to celebrate the new year with light!"

The next night the villagers followed the old man's directions. They hung red decorations everywhere -- on every door, in every barn. They banged drums

and blew horns and set off fireworks. They made lanterns in every shape and size, and their children wore masks and paraded through the streets carrying those lanterns of light.

Ever since that day, the conquest of the Nian is carried on. The people call New Year's Day "Guo Nian," which means "the passing of the beast," and they enjoy their peaceful new year. They hang red lanterns and scrolls on their doors and in their windows, keeping away the Nian, and they light firecrackers to frighten him so that he never dares return.