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U.S. college football head coach from Rice David Bailiff, right, comments during the launch of the season opening NCAA football game in Sydney, Tuesday Aug. 22, 2017. The game will be played on Sunday.

(AP Photo/Rick Rycroft)

No rest for jet-lagged Rice: straight to practice Down Under

Rice football coach David Bailiff reckoned one way to ensure his players didn't nod off after a 15-hour flight from Los Angeles to Sydney was to bypass the team hotel and go straight to the practice field from the airport.

So within an hour of arriving Down Under early Tuesday morning, Bailiff had his players stretching and doing a light workout at a training session at Moore Park, which encompasses Allianz Stadium where the Owls will take on No. 14 Stanford at noon Sunday, or Saturday evening back in the U.S.

The long haul across the Pacific followed a 3-1/2 hour flight from Houston to Los Angeles, and a short layover there.

"Our strength conditioning coaches thought it would be good to get them moving after that flight from LA," Bailiff said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "A little bit of a sweat, and to get their muscles moving."

The Rice players were out for only about an hour before they headed to the team hotel. A more pleasant outing was on the

agenda for Tuesday afternoon — a cruise of Sydney Harbour.

Stanford had the luxury of arriving a day earlier from San Francisco, so coach David Shaw took the team on a ferry cruise Monday across the harbor to the Taronga Park Zoo, where most of the players had their first encounters with kangaroos, koalas and echidnas.

"Amazing beaches, kangaroos and Sydney views," Stanford said on its official Twitter account. "We made memories to last a lifetime on our first day in Sydney."

It's the second year in a row that Sydney has hosted a U.S. college game. Last year, 62,000 watched Cal beat Hawaii 51-31 at the Olympic stadium in western Sydney. This year the game has been moved to a 45,000-seat stadium just minutes from downtown Sydney.

New South Wales state government officials are subsidizing both teams for their travel and expenses while Down Under as part of a tourism promotion, and last year officials estimated more than 15,000 fans came to Sydney specifically for the game.

The game, in which Stanford

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A Dallas Cowboys fan holds up a sign during an NFL training camp football practice at the team's headquarters in Frisco, Texas, Monday, Aug. 21, 2017.

(AP Photo/LM Otero)



Detroit Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford (9) is chased by New York Jets linebacker Demario Davis (56) during the first half of an NFL preseason football game, Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, in Detroit.

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Lions' Stafford mum on plans to let talks drag into season

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (AP) — Matthew Stafford stands to be wealthier than he already is, possibly very soon.

His agent, Tom Condon, and the Detroit Lions are negotiating terms of a contract that may make the quarterback the NFL's highest-paid player.

Stafford insisted he hasn't decided if he'll allow talks to continue into the season, adding he doesn't know when or if the call will be made to stop negotiations. "I had no expectations going into it," Stafford said Monday.

"So, I'm doing myself and our team a disservice if that's what I'm worried about. I truly am letting the guys upstairs here, and my agent, hash it all out. And, I'm just trying to be as good a football player as I can be and help our team."

Stafford, entering the last season of his \$53 million, three-year contract, might start the ninth season of his career with a deal richer than the \$125 million, five-year extension the Oakland Raiders gave quarterback Derek Carr two months ago. Drafted No. 1 overall by Detroit in 2009, Stafford helped the Lions reach the playoffs last season for the third time in six seasons. He throws with a lot of zip and power, squeezing passes into tight windows and sending spirals deep down the field with one of the strongest arms in the league.

"I think I got the fastballs down," Stafford said. "Pretty good at those. Made a living doing those for a long time."

He and his teammates, though, have failed to do enough to lead the Lions to a postseason victory for the first time since the 1991 season.

Stafford is trying to do his part to change that, working with a QB guru for the first time during the offseason. Stafford

hasn't said whom he trained with or what he worked on, but seemed to follow the path of Tom Brady, Drew Brees and others to connect with Tom House and 3DQB in California.

While Stafford has been secretive about the details, focusing on his touch throws appears to be one of his goals after reviewing last season's passes.

"When you look at the tape, 'Hey, there's a big play to be had there if you could just throw it over this guy and throw it around this guy,'" he said. "I just studied all that kind of stuff." It looks as if it might've worked. In limited chances to play in preseason games against the New York Jets and Indianapolis Colts, safety Glover Quin noticed Stafford connecting on some crisp, crossing routes to teammates. In exhibition games and practices, receiver Golden Tate has seen the results of Stafford's offseason efforts.

"He's really been dropping some passes in the bucket, some that either we catch or no one catches," Tate said.

"When you can be a quarterback and make those types of plays, that's special. Every day, every year Matt's getting better and always will." Despite the retirement of star receiver Calvin Johnson and a lackluster running game last season, Stafford was having one of his best years until a finger injury and stiffer competition stunted his and the team's success. Results will not matter until Week 1 at home against Arizona, but Stafford is looking forward to the opportunity to play the Super Bowl champion New England Patriots on Friday night in Ford Field. It will be the third preseason game for both teams and that's traditionally the exhibition that most closely resembles a game that counts.



FILE - In this Tuesday, July 11, 2017 file photo, American League's Cleveland Indians pitcher Andrew Miller throws a pitch, during the MLB baseball All-Star Game in Miami. The Cleveland Indians have placed All-Star reliever Andrew Miller on the disabled list with right knee tendinitis. Miller is one of baseball's best late-innings pitchers and he's one of the most important players for the defending AL champions. He has been uncharacteristically wild of late, walking 10 batters in the past 21 innings.

(AP Photo/Lynne Sladky, File)

Zimmer says Vikings prefer to keep 3 QBs on active roster

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — As long as Sam Bradford stays healthy this season, the Minnesota Vikings won't be worried about their quarterback situation.

There's a lot of uncertainty behind Bradford on the depth chart, though.

Teddy Bridgewater remains immersed in his rehabilitation program, of course, trying to push his knee back into playing shape. He's on the physically unable to perform list, where he'll likely start the regular season.

So if the Vikings decide to keep a third-stringer on the active roster behind Bradford and backup Case Keenum, they're currently looking at Taylor Heinicke or Mitch Leidner.

Heinicke is the third-year project who went undrafted out of Old Dominion and has never taken a snap in an NFL regular-season game. He's most famous for severing two tendons in his foot from an ill-fated kick through a glass pane of a door to his friend's apartment that they were locked out of.

Leidner is the local rookie who signed with the team on Sunday. He's the only player in Minnesota program history to rush (33) and pass (36) for 30-plus touchdowns in his career. Leidner was driving around meals for the restaurant delivery service Bite Squad in between workouts while waiting on a call from an NFL team.

Heinicke has had a spotty preseason. He sat out of practice on Sunday and Monday because of an injury. Leidner produced just three passing scores against 11 interceptions over eight Big Ten games in his senior year. The Vikings cut Wes Lunt, an undrafted prospect from Illinois, at the beginning of training camp.

The question, then, is whether they'll reserve a 53-man roster spot for an unproven prospect at the position as long as Bridgewater is sidelined.

"I think it's extremely important that you're always developing quarterbacks," offensive

coordinator Pat Shurmur said. "You just never know how it's all going to play out. You just want to keep developing the quarterback position throughout the season and especially during training camp, so that if for some reason you need a guy, you have a guy ready to go."

The practice squad would be a natural place for such a developmental player. Last season, with Bridgewater on injured reserve and Heinicke on the non-football injury list, the Vikings kept only Bradford and Shaun Hill on the active roster to start while stashing Wisconsin product Joel Stave on the practice squad.

Coach Mike Zimmer, asked about the subject after practice on Monday, said the team would "like to" keep three quarterbacks on the initial 53-man roster.

"You look around the league, and when quarterbacks go down, then you start scrambling and finding guys on the street and things like that," Zimmer said.

Keenum, for his part, has played well in two preseason games. He drew praise from Shurmur for the crispness and mobility he's shown in the pocket. With two more exhibition games remaining, then, the spotlight will be on Heinicke and Leidner or whoever else might wind up in camp to audition for an active roster spot.

"It's been a lot of months of just grinding and hoping this moment would come," Leidner said.

Practice on Monday was held inside the fieldhouse, with stormy weather in the afternoon. There was also the matter of the solar eclipse that peaked at the start of the workout, with the potential distraction that came with that.

"I can watch it on CNN or something, I guess," Zimmer said, shrugging off the missed opportunity to witness the scientific rarity. Then the coach who's had eight eye surgeries in the past nine months quipped: "Hey, I've only got one good retina. You don't get two."

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Minnesota Vikings quarterback Sam Bradford warms up for the team's NFL preseason football game against the Seattle Seahawks, Friday, Aug. 18, 2017, in Seattle. (AP Photo/Scott Eklund)

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Chicago White Sox first baseman Jose Abreu (79), doubles during the first inning of game one of a baseball double header against the Minnesota Twins Monday, Aug. 21, 2017, in Chicago.
(Nuccio DiNuzzo/Chicago Tribune via AP)

Sanchez, Abreu power White Sox past Twins 7-6 in 1st game

CHICAGO (AP) — Yolmer Sanchez homered and drove in four runs, Jose Abreu hit his 25th of the season and the Chicago White Sox held on to beat the Minnesota Twins 7-6 in the first game of a doubleheader Monday.

Carlos Rodon (2-4) pitched effectively into seventh inning for the fifth straight outing to earn his first win since July 3. The left-hander allowed two runs and four hits in 6 1/3 innings while striking out nine.

Jorge Polanco hit a three-run homer for the Twins off Derek Holland to cut it to 7-6 in the eighth, when play was delayed by rain for 19 minutes. Holland, who has struggled in 24 starts this season, was charged with three runs in one-third of an inning during his second relief appearance.

Juan Minaya worked a perfect ninth for his third save.

Avisail Garcia had three hits and two RBIs for AL-worst Chicago, which has won three of four. Abreu doubled and extended his hitting streak to 10 games. He became the first White Sox player to hit 25 or more home runs in each of his first four seasons.

Eduardo Escobar, Eddie Rosario and Byron Buxton each drove in a run for Minnesota, which had won four straight and entered tied with the Los Angeles Angels for the second AL wild card.

Tim Melville (0-1) lasted just 3 1/3 innings and allowed five runs in his Twins debut after being recalled from Triple-A Rochester to start.

Rodon who didn't make his first start until June 28 because of left biceps bursitis, had been strong in no-decisions during his four previous outings with a 2.12 ERA.

The Twins jumped ahead 1-0 in the first on Escobar's RBI single.

Garcia's single in the bottom half drove in Yoan Moncada and Abreu to make it 2-1. Sanchez's three-run homer in the fourth, a few rows deep into right-center stands, stretched the lead to 5-1.

Abreu's solo shot and Sanchez's sacrifice fly in the fifth made it 7-1.

Rosario's sacrifice fly with the bases loaded in the sixth cut it to 7-2.

The Twins loaded the bases with one out in the seventh against reliever Danny Farquhar, but settled for one run on Buxton's sacrifice fly.

ROSTER MOVES

The Twins made LHP Nik Turley their 26th player for the doubleheader. He replaced Melville in the fourth and pitched 3 2/3 innings.

The White Sox added RHP Carson Fulmer from Triple-A Charlotte as the 26th man on the active roster and planned to start him in the second game. Fulmer

is 7-8 with a 5.61 ERA over 24 starts this season with the farm club.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Twins: Placed All-Star 3B Miguel Sano on the 10-day disabled list with a stress reaction in his left shin bone.

Sano was pulled from Saturday's game against Arizona and sat out Sunday. He's batting .267 with 28 home runs and 77 RBIs. . 1B Kennys Vargas was recalled from Triple-A Rochester for the fifth time this season to fill Sano's spot. . Minnesota manager Paul Molitor said LHP Hector Santiago, out since July 2 with upper back pain, is expected to throw a bullpen Wednesday.

Adalberto Mejia, sidelined since Aug. 8 with a sore left arm, will follow on Thursday. Both could make rehab appearances by the end of the month.

White Sox: Moncada missed the previous two games with shin splints.

He was expected to sit out the second game. .RHP Reynaldo López, on the 10-day DL with a strained back, played catch.

UP NEXT

Minnesota RHP Dillon Gee (0-0, 3.16 ERA) was set to face Fulmer in the second game. Gee made his most recent start for Texas on June 6 against the Mets. Fulmer makes his 2017 White Sox debut after appearing in eight games last season.

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is heavily favored, will start at noon Sunday in Sydney to coincide with prime time television in the U.S. on Saturday night. It's the last Sunday of winter in Australia and there's a chance of rain in the forecast along with a high temperature of 64 Fahrenheit (18 Celsius).

After having not played each other since 1964, the teams are meeting for the second time in nine months. Stanford beat Rice 41-17 at Stanford in November.

"It's different the way the college football schedule works," Stanford coach David Shaw told the AP on Tuesday. "But it's a great opportunity for

us to compete against another university that puts academics before athletics and does both at a high level."

Bailiff agreed.

"Stanford and Rice, year in and year out, have two of the highest graduation rates in the country," he said.

Social media sites by both colleges were abuzz with photos of the players in front of Sydney landmarks such as the Opera House — it was the backdrop for Tuesday's official media conference — and Harbour Bridge. Before they arrived, there were photos of some players stretched out.





FILE - In this Aug. 1, 2017, file photo, New York Mets' Jay Bruce watches his solo home run off Colorado Rockies relief pitcher Chris Rusin during a baseball game in Denver. A person familiar with the deal says the Cleveland Indians have agreed to acquire outfielder Bruce from the Mets. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Wednesday, Aug. 9, because the trade had not been announced.

(AP Photo/David Zalubowski, File)

Indians' Jay Bruce makes debut in home ballpark

CLEVELAND (AP) — Jay Bruce is ready to show his new home fans what he can do. His numbers so far with the Indians have already made him a big hit.

Bruce, acquired from the New York Mets on Aug. 9, made his Progressive Field debut Monday night against Boston. The Indians began an 11-game road trip the day following the trade. Bruce hit .375 with three homers and 12 RBIs as Cleveland went 8-3.

“You kind of forget this is his first game here because he’s been with us so long,” Indians manager Terry Francona said. “That was a long road trip.”

The Mets were in Philadelphia when the trade was announced. He joined his new teammates the next day in Tampa, and the trip continued to Boston, Minnesota and Kansas City.

“Packed for four days, on the road for 11, recycled a lot of shirts and pants, but it’s all good,” Bruce said.

Bruce was given a loud ovation when he came to bat in the second inning. He lined a single to right off Eduardo Rodriguez, extending his hitting streak to 11 games and producing the first chant of “Bruuuce” from Cleveland fans.

Before the game, Bruce said he was happy to finally set foot in his new ballpark, where he hit .384 (33 for 86) with four homers and 12 RBIs in 23 previous games.

“It feels great, it really does,” he said. “Even though you spend essentially the same time on

the road that you do at home, it’s a place to get into a routine. I am comfortable here and I do have some at-bats here.”

Bruce said his wife and son took the train from Philadelphia to New York following the trade. Some personal belongings were shipped to Cleveland, and the family arrived in town before he did.

“They got here Friday,” Bruce said. “They got settled in. A little different pace here in Cleveland as opposed to midtown Manhattan, but it’s a good pace.”

Cleveland traded for Bruce the day All-Star outfielder Michael Brantley went on the disabled list with a sprained right ankle for the second time this season. Outfielder Lonnie Chisenhall has been on the DL since the All-Star break with a strained right calf.

The Indians agreed to pick up the remainder of Bruce’s \$13 million contract — about \$4.2 million — as they try to make a return trip to the World Series. Cleveland sent minor league pitcher Ryder Ryan to the Mets.

“I came to a team that was great before I got here,” Bruce said. “That alone takes so much of the potential pressure off you because you’re coming into a situation that was already awesome.”

Bruce, 30, is in the final year of a contract he signed with Cincinnati. The Indians likely will be one of the teams interested in signing the left-handed slugger to a long-term deal.

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New York Mets manager Terry Collins (10) takes the ball from New York Mets starting pitcher Steven Matz, second from left, during the sixth inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Dodgers, Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017, in New York. Matz allowed five runs on six hits, all earned, to the Dodgers in five and a third-innings.

(AP Photo/Kathy Willens)

Mets LHP Steven Matz to have elbow surgery again

NEW YORK (AP) — Mets pitcher Steven Matz needs another elbow operation, almost certainly ending a miserable 2017 season for the New York left-hander.

The team says Matz was diagnosed Monday with irritation of the ulnar nerve in his left elbow. Surgery was recommended to reposition the nerve and relieve the irritation, a similar procedure to the one teammate Jacob deGrom had last year.

Matz's operation will be scheduled in the next few days. The oft-injured lefty is 2-7 with a 6.08 ERA in 13 starts covering only 66 2/3 innings. He has been hit hard lately, going 0-6 with a 10.19 ERA in his last eight starts.

The 26-year-old Matz had Tommy John surgery early in his pro career. His 2016 season was cut short by another elbow operation to remove bone spurs, and he began this year on the disabled list because of tenderness in the elbow. He made his season debut June 10.

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Chiefs' QBs have dazzled in training camp, preseason games

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — It was fitting that Chiefs quarterback Tyler Bray, on his first play after checking into a preseason game against Cincinnati, threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to Seantavious Jones.

Pretty much summed up the Chiefs' quarterback situation.

Alex Smith has hardly missed through his first two exhibition games, leading the Chiefs downfield with relative ease. Patrick Mahomes II has moved past Bray to No. 2 on the depth chart, the first-round draft pick dazzling coaches and fans alike.

And even Bray, who for five years has held onto a roster spot despite never appearing in a real game, has flashed moments of promise.

Like his touchdown pass against the Bengals on Saturday night, when he zipped a throw to Jones in perfect stride.

"All three guys played well. You could go into a game with those guys and feel comfortable," Chiefs coach Andy Reid said. "We never close our eyes to anything — our eyes are always open — but these guys showed they can play and move the ball."

Smith was 4 of 6 for 48 yards while leading the Chiefs to a touchdown in his only series in their preseason opener against San Francisco. He was even crisper against the Bengals, going 8 of 9 for 83 yards while leading Kansas City to a field goal on its first offensive possession and capping the second with a short touchdown strike to backup tight end Demetrius Harris.

"We treat it for what it is," Smith said, before admitting: "No one skipped a beat, right? Everyone was kind of feeding off each other, going out there making plays, even to the end."

Reid was planning to let Smith play the entire first half, but he called an audible after two well-executed scoring drives and let Mahomes play spanning halftime.

The former Texas Tech star gave Chiefs fans reason to feel good about the future.

After a few shaky moments in his debut, when he was the third-string quarterback, Mahomes looked right at home leading Reid's complex offense. He was 10 of 14 for 88 yards with a pair of touchdown

passes, and he showed off his moxie and running ability by adding 29 yards on the ground.

"Our quarterback play is as good as it gets," tight end Travis Kelce said. "We have a veteran in Alex, and we like the play of Patrick, too. It doesn't matter who is in the game."

There is no debating that Smith is the starting quarterback, as much as some fans would like to see Mahomes get his shot right away. He's been through the ringer and knows what it takes to lead a team into the playoffs, just as he did taking Kansas City to an AFC West title last season.

But the Chiefs traded up to take Mahomes with the 10th overall pick for a reason.

Smith's contract becomes expensive to carry and cheap to let go after this year, and even he has alluded to the fact that he might not be in Kansas City next season. Two preseason performances by Mahomes have only confirmed that the rookie with the big arm is the Chiefs' quarterback of the future.

"He made a couple plays where he threw from his back foot and still put the ball where it was supposed to go.

Those are the types of plays you can't teach," Kelce said. "He does a lot of things very well. He's on-point, and the reason our offense is clicking as well as it is."

Smith could have taken umbrage with the decision to draft Mahomes, just like the rookie's dazzling play could create some awkward tension in the quarterback room.

But the fact that Smith has been every bit as solid alleviates any of that concern, and the reality is that Smith would rather help tutor a protege than carry any animosity about Mahomes eventually taking his job.

In that respect, the Chiefs have one of the most enviable quarterback situations in the league.

"They love challenging each other. They throw the ball against the goal posts and compete there," Reid said, referring to an end-of-practice accuracy challenge. "Everything is a competition."

They love it and thrive on it. But they support each other and that's fun to watch."



Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes throws a pass during the first half of an NFL preseason football game against the Cincinnati Bengals, Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, in Cincinnati. (AP Photo/Gary Landers)



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Mana’omia maota o sui tusi paketi ae le o CD

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Ua tu’uina atu nei se fa’atonuga mai le sui fofoga fetalai o le maota o sui i le faigamalo, ina ia oo atu i le vaiso fou ua taunu’u uma atu i luma o le maota o sui tusi o le paketi a le malo mo le tausaga tupe fou 2018, ona e le taliaina e le maota CD ia ua auala atu ai fa’amaumauga o le paketi a le malo.

O le taeao ananafi na tauaao ai e le Fono Faitulafono faam-aumauga o le paketi a le malo mo le tausaga tupe fou 2018, i le aofaiga e \$395.2 miliona, tusa lea e 4% ua maualuga mai ai i le paketi o le tausaga tupe lenei 2017, i le aofaiga e \$380.4 miliona.

Saunoa le afioga Fetui Fetu Jr, o ia fo’i lea sa taitaia gal-uega amata a le maota o sui i le taeao ananafi, i le tuana’i ai o vaiaso e 4 o lana malologa e fa’apea, e faigofie atu ona mala-malama afioga i faipule i le tusi paketi, nai lo le tau faitau o fa’amaumauga o loo i totonu o le CD.

“Talu mai tausaga e tele o le va feagai ai o le fono ma faiga-malo ua mavae atu, o le tusi lava sa auala mai ai le paketi a le malo, e le tatau fo’i la ona suia lea tulaga, ae tatau ona tatou tausisi pea i ai,” o le sau-noaga lea a Fetui Jr.

Na tula’i le taitaifono o le

Komiti o le Paketi a le maota o sui, afioga Vailiuaama S. Leas-iolagi ma ia lagolagoina le sau-noaga a le sui fofoga fetalai. Sa ia taua e fa’apea, o CD ia ua tufa atu e le faigamalo mo le paketi, e le i lelei ona tao (burn) e pei ona masani ai ituaiga auala fa’aonapo nei ia, afai la ae tuu i totonu o le computer, e le mafai ona toe aumai i fafo.

E ono avea lea ma auala e leaga ai masini a afioga i Faipule, ma o se tasi lea o itu e tatau ona silasila toto’a i ai le faigamalo.

“O popolega o lo o i ai, ina nei avea CD nei ma auala e faaleagaina ai masini a afioga i sui mamalu, ona atili ai lea ona faaopoopo le isi avega mamafa i galuega a sui mamalu,” o le sau-noaga lea a Vailiuaama.

E pei ona masani ai gal-uega fa’atino i le va o le faiga-malo ma le fono faitulafono, soo se taimi e tauaao atu ai e le faigamalo lana paketi i luma o le fono mo le pasiaina, e avatu fa’atasi ai ma le tusi mai le afioga i le lai’i Kovana, e fa’amalamalama ai le tulaga o lo o i ai le tamaoaiga o le malo, atoa ai ma le fa’amaninoina o suiga ua faia i totonu o le paketi.

Na tatala lava i le tusi a le afioga i le ali’i kovana ia Lolo Matalasi Moliga sa tu’uina atu i Ta’ita’i o le Fono fa’atasi

(Faaauau itulau 10)



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TALA I VAIFANUA

tusia: Leua Aiono Frost
**5 SUI PAKA FA'ASAO
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E to'alima alo o le atunu'u o lo'o galulue i le Laufanua Fa'asao a Amerika Samoa, po'o le National Park of American Samoa, na malaga i le aso Faraile na te'a atu, e auai fa'atasi ma le isi to'a 13 o i latou na mua'i tu'ua le atunu'u ia Aukuso 4, 2017, e avea ma sui tinei afi i le tele o mu ua a'afia ai le vaomatua o le setete o Kalefonia.

O se tala mai le ali'i pule o le National Park i le taimi nei, Acting Superintendent Daniel George, "O i latou nei ua malaga, ua mae'a ona faia a'oga, tusitusi ma le fa'atautaiga fo'i o latou tiute tinei afi, a'o le'i mua'i tofia e malaga ese atu."

E le gata i lea, ae faia kole-niga fa'apitoa ia lava le manava, ia lelei le tamo'e i nofoaga e pei o le vaomatua ma le 'ae mauga fo'i, ia faigofie ona fa'atino e i latou tiute i le vaomaoa o setete eseese o lo'o ua fa'atulaga e galulue ai.

"Pe afai e mua'i taunu'u i nofoaga ua fa'atulaga mai e malaga aga'i i ai, ona toe faia lea o le isi a'oga fa'apitoa lava e tusa ai o le vaomatua o le a latou tinea le afi o i ai, ma fa'atasi uma atu i ai isi sui fo'i

mai isi National Park a le Iun-aite Setete, ia gafatia fo'i ona latou galulue fa'atasi ma na sui uma i lalo o le ta'ita'iga e tasi," o a Daniel George lea.

O i latou na malaga i le aso 4 o Aukuso, na fa'atulaga e o aga'i i Modoc, Kalefonia, ae o le vaega to'alima mulimuli ua fa'atulaga e malaga sa'o i Redding, Kalefonia.

Ina ia tusa ai ma se lagona o le Laufanua Fa'asao, ua le mafai ona latou faailoa maia suafa o le aumalaga se'ia mae'a ona fa'amautuina i latou i nofoaga tonu e galulue ai i Kalefonia.

FA'AMONIA GREG LOUGANIS ATALI'I O FOUVALE LUTU

Ua lipotia e nusipepa ma televise, le fa'amonina lea o le susuga ia Greg Louganis, o ia o le alo o Fouvale Lutu, e alaala i Hawai'i.

O lenei alo o Samoa ua lauiloa i le taaloga o le "Diving" e pei ona manumalo ai i pine auro e fa i le Olimipeka i le tausaga e 1984. I lea vaitau sa salalau ai lava tala faapea, o Greg o ona tuua o Samoa.

Taua e Greg i talanoaga ma le au tusitala e faapea sa ia manatu po'o ai ona matua moni. Sa ia taua atili e faapea po'o i ai se mafuaga sa tulitulimatagau ai e lo'u tama lo'u olaga mai a'o itiiti, aua o lo'o tulata atu i le matou aiga i San Diego, le (Faauau itulau 11)



O le to'alima mulimuli o fanau a Amerika Samoa o lo'o galulue i le Paka Fa'asao tu'ua le atunu'u i le aso Faraile na te'a nei mo tiute tau tinei afi i le vaomatua i Kalefonia. O se tasi o i latou nei o le ali'i o Pentatusch Sooso'o Vaki mai Malaeloa [lona lua mai le tauagavale] peita'i o lo ua taofia le lisi o suafa o i latou uma se'ia muai fa'ailo mai le nofoaga tonu o lo'o tautua ai i fafo. [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



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► Mana’omia maota...

Mai itulau 8

ma le paketi, i lona taumafai lea e fa’amanino le mafua’aga o suiga ua faia mo le paketi o lenei tausaga, i le fa’aaoga lea o le CD e momoli atu ai nai lo le tusi e pei ona masani ai, ona o le taumafai lava ina ia faasao tupe faaalu a le malo.

Sa ia fa’afetaia fo’i le tausiga a le Atua i luga ia Amerika Samoa, e ui i le tele o fa’afitauli ma fa’alavelave o loo fetaia’i ma le atunu’u ma ona ta’ita’i i le tele o taimi, ae agalelei mai pea lava le Atua.

I le suiga o le paketi a le malo mo le tausaga tupe fou e 4%, tusa lea e \$14.7 miliona e pei ona taua e Lolo i lana tusi i ta’ita’i o le fono, e fa’avae mai lea i ni isi o alatupe fou ua mafai ona maua mai e fesoasoani ai i le atina’e a le malo, e pei o tupe fesoasoani mai le feterale, o tupe e maua mai i tautua ma auunaga a ni isi o Ofisa, fa’apea ai le si’itaga o tupe mai fafo mo le fa’atinoina o atina’e tetele i le atunu’u (CIP).

Mai le paketi e \$395.2 miliona a le malo mo le tausaga tupe fou, o le 25% e maua mai i tupe lotofale, tusa lea o le aofaiga e \$96.8 miliona; 28% e maua mai i tupe feterale, tusa lea o le aofaiga e \$112.3 miliona; 44% mai tupe o auunaga a ofisa a le malo, tusa lea o le \$175.7; ma le 3% e maua mai i tupe mo atina’e tetele (CIP), tusa lea o le aofaiga e \$10.3 miliona.

E pei ona taua e le faigamalo i faamaumauga o lana paketi, e 10% lea ua faaititia ai tupe

faalotoifale ua valoia le tatau lea ona maua i le tausaga tupe fou, pe a fa’atusatusa i le aofaiga o lo o valoia e tatau ona maua i le tausaga tupe lenei, i le aofaiga e \$108.1 miliona.

O le mafua’aga tupito o lea suiga e pei ona taua e le faigamalo, o le tapuia lea o le kamupani i’a a le Tri Marine’s Samoa Tuna Processor.

Na taua e le ali’i kovana le i ai o le vaai mamao a le malo, i le tulaga lelei pea lea o le tautua a le kamupani i’a o le StarKist Samoa, e ala i le galulue faatasi pea o le malo ma le pulega a le kamupani i le fa’aleleia o tulaga uma e tatau ona faia e foia ai ni isi o faaletonu e ono tutupu mai i le lumana’i.

Ae mo tupe feterale, e 7% lea ua faaopoopo ai le tausaga tupe fou nai lo le tausaga tupe lenei, 11% ua faaopoopo ai tupe e maua mai i auunaga a ofisa a le malo (Enterprise Funds), ma le 7% lea ua faaopoopo ai tupe mo atina’e tetele (CIP) nai lo le tausaga tupe lenei.

O se tasi o itu o lo o faamanino e le kovana i lana tusi, o tulafono a le feterale o lo o aafia ai Amerika Samoa, e pei la o le isi siitaga o totogi amata e .40sene, lea ua faamoemoe e fa’amamaluina i le tausaga fou 2018.

O lo o taumafai pea le faigamalo e fa’amalosia le atina’e tau turisi i le atunu’u, e ala lea i le finauina o le mataupu i pasese e malaga mai ai i Amerika Samoa nei, lea lava o lo o maitauina le tulaga maualuga i le taimi nei.

Falepuipui le Tina na ia fa’aaoga fa’agaoi tupe a le ASPA i Aunu’u

tusia Ausage Fausia

O le Tina lea sa galue i le lala o le Ofisa o le Pulega o le Eletise ma le Suavai (ASPA) i Aunu’u, ua fa’asalaina nei o ia i le falepuipui mo le umi e 7 tausaga, ina ua faamaonia e le Fa’amasinoga Maualuga le moliaga na tu’uaia ai o ia e le malo, o lona fa’aaoga fa’agaoi lea o tupe a le ASPA sa tu’uina atu i lalo o lana vaavaaiga i le aofaiga e silia i le \$18,000.

O le fa’asalaga fa’a falepuipui ua tuuina atu ia Mak-erita Leituane, o le fa’asalaga e tuli atoa i le toese, e aunoa ma ni isi lava tuutuuga mo se nofovaavaaia, poo se poloaiga na te toe totogiina ai tupe sa ia gaoia mai i le galuega na galue muamua ai.

Na ulua’i tuuaia e le malo ia Leituane i moliaga mamafa e 2, le moliaga o le gaoi faapea ai ma le moliaga o lona fa’aaoga fa’agaoi o tupe sa tu’uina atu na te tausi ma vaavaai, ae i lalo o le maliliega na sainia e le ua molia ma le malo, lea fo’i na talia e le fa’amasinoga, na ia tali ioe ai i le moliaga o le ave faagaoi o tupe sa tuuina atu na te vaai, ae solofua e le fa’amasinoga le moliaga o le gaoi sa totoe ai i le pepa o le tagi.

O le moliaga o le ave fa’agaoi o tupe sa tuuina atu i lalo o lana vaavaaiga, o se solitulafono C i le fa’atulagaina o solitulafono mamafa, lea e mafai ona fa’asala ai se tasi i

le falepuipui mo le umi e le sili atui le 7 tausaga, pe faasala i le salatupe e le sili atu i le \$5,000, poo le fa’asala fo’i i fa’asalaga uma ia e lua.

A o le i tu’uina atu le fa’aiuga a le fa’amasinoga mo Leituane, na fa’ailoa ai e le afioga i le fa’amasino sili ia Michael Kruse, i le loia fautua ia Douglas Fiaui sa tula’i mo le ua molia e fa’apea, e le malamalama le fa’amasinoga i le to’atele o Tina talavou e pei fo’i o Leituane, e fialia e o e gaoi tupe mai fale faigaluega sa galulue ai, mulimuli ane ona o atu lea ma fetagisi atu i le fa’amasinoga, mo se avanoa e fo’i ai i aiga e tausi ta’ito’alua ma fanau.

Na taua e Kruse lona toe manatuaina o se mataupu e foliga tutusa lelei ma le mataupu a Leituane, lea na tula’i mai i Manu’a i ni tausaga ua mavae, lea na mafua ai ona ta’usala se Tina talavou i le moliaga o le ave fa’agaoi o tupe, e mafua mai i lona ave fa’agaoi o le silia i le \$90,000 mai le faletupe, ma faia ai loa e le pulega a le ANZ le fa’aiuga e tapunia le latou lala lea, lea ua mafua ai ona le toe i ai se auunaga tau faletupe i Manu’a i le taimi nei.

Saunoa Kruse e fa’apea, o le fa’aiuga na faia e le ANZ i le latou lala i Manu’a, o le fa’aiuga fo’i lena e ono faia e le ASPA i le latou Ofisa i Aunu’u, i le mae’a ai lea o le solitulafono sa faia e le ua molia, ma ua tau

vaavaai nei le ASPA i se auala e ao mai ai tupe mai le mamalu o le atunu’u o lo o alala ma nonofo i Aunu’u.

A o le i tu’uina atu le talo-saga a le ua molia mo se isi avanoa mo ia, na muamua tula’i lona to’alua ma talosaga i le fa’amasinoga mo se avanoa e toe fo’i atu ai le Tina o le aiga i tua, e tausi le la fanau faapea ai le latou Tina matua o lo o fa’amuli mai i le latou fale i Aunu’u.

Na taua e le Tama o le aiga i le fa’amasinoga, tulaga faigata na oo i ai le aiga talu mai le 6 masina lea na taofia ai lona to’alua i le falepuipui, ma o ia tulaga faigata ua ia talitonu ai, a leai se Tina i le aiga, e le gata e le maua se fialia e le fanau ma le Tama ae ua leai fo’i se fa’amoemoea mo le lumana’i.

Na taumafai e le Tama ona gagana i se upu i le mafatia o lona loto, a o ia fa’aleo lana talosaga mo se avanoa e toe tatala atu ai lona to’alua i tua.

Ina ua maua le avanoa o Leituane e fa’aleo ai lana talo-saga, sa muamua fa’atoese i le fa’amasinoga e tusa ai o lona soli o le tulafono, sosoo ai ma lana faatoesega i le Pulega a le ASPA faapea ai le Pule-sili ia Utu Abe Malae, ina ia fa’amagalo o ia le tagata faigaluega le fa’amaoni.

“Ou te ta’utino atu ua ou lagona le salamo moni e tusa

(Faaauau itulau 11)



O le vasega o malo fa’aaloalegia i le tatalaga o le Malumalu o le Ekalesia Penetekoso i Pago Pago i le afiafi o le aso Tofi na te’a nei. Na latou molimauina mea uma na tapena i ai le susuga le Fa’afegaiga Rev. Lagof’atasi Ae ma le pa’ia o le Ekalesia atoa.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

► Tala i Vaifanua...

Mai itulau 9

fale o le isi uso o lona tama, o ia lea na te fa’ailoa ia Fouvale, mea uma lava o lo’o faia e Greg i ona matua fai.

Peita’i, e le’i manatu Fouvale ina ia vave feso’ota’i, sa ia fuafua leleia fo’i le vaitau e faia ai lea so’otaga. O le tausaga e 1984, fa’atoa mafai ona o’o ane Fouvale i le tasi o ana tautalaga fa’apitoa sa faia i Honolulu, ma fa’ailoa ane, o ia o lona tama moni.

“Na ona ma’ua fetau, a’o loimata sa ou va’aia i ona fofoga, ma e le tele fo’i ni ana tala sa talanoa mai ai, pau o lana fesili, po’o a mai a’u, po’o o’u fiafia? Sa ia fai mai, Sa ou mana’o ou te tausia oe.”

I le tausaga 2015, na faia ai le fa’atasiga a le aiga o Lutu i Hawaii, ma na maua se tusi mai lona uso la’ititi o Malcolm, e vala’aulia i le reunion.

A’o le’i auai Greg i le fa’atasiga lea, sa ia mua’i faia lana suesuega o le DNA ina ia 100% lona mautinoa, ona matua moni na fanau mai ai. Ma ua le toe i ai sona matamuli sa ia lagona mai tausaga e tele, ua ia iloa nei, o lona tupu’aga e matua lautele ma anoanoa’i ona aiga Samoa.

Ua maliliu nai ona matua fai, i la’ua sa fa’afofaina lona olaga tausaili ma tausia leleia o ia, peita’i, e le’i taofia e i la’ua ona tausaili matua o Greg, ae ona sa mu le nofoaga sa tausia ai o ia o se tamaititi e saili ni ona matua, o lea sa faigata ai ona maua matua moni o Greg. O i la’ua ma si ona tuafafine, sa fa’atamaiti fai uma i la’ua, ae matua si ona taufafine. O ona matua ia o Peter ma Frances. O Peter Louganis o se ali’i Tausitusi a se Kamupani Va’a Fagota.

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O le Uilipaelo na toso i le Fagaloa sa amata mai le isi vaega i Aua e oo atu i Fatumafuti. E to’a 20 matua sa auai fa’atasi ma tamaiti ma teine ta’a’alo o le ‘au Volley Ball ma le Au Football a Samoana High.

Sa auai le susuga le Pule A’oga Rodney Atafua ma le Peresetene o le PTA i lenei tausaga.

Ua tapena fo’i le Booster Club, lea o lo’o taitai ai John Fuimaono, ina ia fa’ao’o atu se fa’afetai i le atunu’u mo le lima foa’i.

FALETELE MO OFISA O TAUTUA ESEESE A LE KOLISI TU’UFA’ATASI

Ua fa’ailoa mai e ono tolopoina le tatalaga o le Faletele mo Auaunaga Eseese i le Kolisi Tu’ufa’atasi o Amerika Samoa.

O le masina o Setema sa fuafua e fa’amae’a lelei ai, ae tusa ai ma le tele o galuega le mae’a lelei ona o fesuia’iga o le tau, e tolopoina ai ni vaega o lea galuega, e afua ai ona fa’atua’i mae’a.

Ua tula’i mai e mae’a lelei mea uma lava tau le fausaga i le fa’ai’uga o Setema 2017, ae o totonu fo’i i galuega finisi ia matagofie ma talafeagai ma so’o se aiaiga o le avea ai ma Leed Platinum Building, e tatau lava ona pasia a’ia’i.

O le a mataituina ai tulaga tau le fa’aogaina o panele mo le miti’ia o le vela o le la e saunia ai lona puna’oa eletise, o ituaiga matauila e fa’aogaina, o le fa’aoga fo’i o le malamalama o le la ma ona sulu, ae o se tasi o nofoaga e usita’ia aiaiga o le puna’oa lanumeamata lea e fealofani lelei ona so’otaga ma le si’omaga.

Na suaina le eleele mo lea galuega ia Ianuari 2014, ma lona paketi fa’asoa e \$5.14 miliona. ma sa fuafua e na’o le 14 masina e fausia ma mae’a ai. Ua umi le taimi e fausia ai nei, aua e le o po se lilo i le tulaga o le tau e matele ina timu, ma ua le gafatia ai ona faia galuega e tatau ona fa’atino i aso la.

Ua fa’ailoa mai, e ui fo’i ina fesuia’i nisi o le tapulega a le tatou Kolisi Tu’ufa’atasi, ae o lo’o gasologa lelei lava lea galuega.

“Afai e maea lenei maota, o le a avea ma faletele lona tolu ua mae’a pasia fo’i o se Leed Platinum Building i le tatou Malo, lea e aofia fa’atasi ai le ASEPA, ASPA ma i matou nei. Ua tele aoga o le a tautuina ai le fanau a’oga iinei, ma ua mafua ai ona fa’ailo o le Multi Purpose Building,” o se tala lea mai se tasi o lo’o ia va’aia le fausaga ma le galuega i ona tulaga uma mo le Kolisi.

O le a aofia fo’i se potu fono, Auditorium, i lea lava faletele, ma ona ofisa ta’itasi o lo’o i ai i le fale tuai, ae fa’aavanoa ai isi potu sa i ai, e avea ma potu a’oga. Peita’i o nei mea uma, o le a fa’ato’a fa’amautu a’ia’i i le taimi tonu e mae’a ai le faletele, ma faia fa’ai’uga mai le Peresetene o le Kolisi.



tusia Ausage Fausia SUAUUPAIA AMITUANA’I

Ua taofi le tuuina atu o se faaiuga a le fa’amasinoga maualuga fa’asaga i le mataupu a le ali’i o Suauupaia Amituana’i, se’i fa’atali se faaiuga o moliaga fou lea ua faila e le malo faasaga ia te ia, atoa ai ma le fia iloa e le fa’amasinoga o le tulaga e uiga i lana fanau e to’a 6 o loo i le fale, poo ai o loo ia tausia i le taimi nei.

O le aso Faraile na te’a nei na fa’atulaga e lau ai le fa’asalaga a Amituana’i, i le mae’a ai lea ona fa’amaonia e le fa’amasinoga o tuuaiga faasaga ia te ia, i lona le usitaia lea o tuutuuga o lana nofovaavaaia sa tuuina atu e le fa’amasinoga maualuga i le 2014, o le alu lea e asi le ofisa fa’anofovaavaaia, faapea ai ma le tofogi o lana salatupe.

Na talosaga Amituana’i i le fa’amasinoga mo se avanoa e toe fo’i ai i tua e fa’aauau lana galuega e tausi ai lona aiga ma lana fanau. O Amituana’i o se ali’i Inisinia, e fai lava ana galuega i tua i lona aiga e maua ai ana tupe e tausi ai lona aiga.

Na talosaga lana loaia fautua ia Douglas Fiaui i le fa’amasinoga mo se avanoa e toe fo’i atu ai le ua molia i tua e fa’aauau lana tausiga i lona aiga.

Na taua atili e Fiaui e faapea, o aso e 37 talu ona taofia Amituana’i i le falepuipui, ua a’afia ai le tausiga o lona aiga, ina ua leai se isi e faigaluega ma maua mai ai se tupe.

Na talosaga le loaia a le malo ia Woodrow Pengelly i le fa’amasinoga e silasila toto’a i tuuaiga fou fa’asaga ia Amituana’i, e ese mai i tuuaiga o lona le alu e asi le ofisa faanofovaavaaia atoa ai ma le le tofogiina o lana salatupe.

Na fesili le afiga i le ali’i fa’amasino ia Elvis P. Patea i le loaia a le malo poo a moliaga fou o lea ua faia faasaga ia Amituana’i, ae na tali le loaia a

le malo, 3 moliaga lea ua faila e le malo fa’asaga ia Amituana’i, talu mai se fa’alavelave na tula’i mai i le masina o Iulai na te’a nei.

O ia moliaga e aofia ai le ave ta’avale ‘ona, taumafai e gaoi meatotino a se isi tagata (attempted stealing), aemaise ai ma le faia o fa’amaumauga taufa’asese (forgery). Na taua atili e le loaia a le malo e faapea, afai ae maea le iloiloga a Amituana’i i luma o le fa’amasinoga maualuga, ona aga’i atu loa lea i le aso lava lea i luma o le fa’amasinoga fa’aitumalo, lea ua fa’atoa faila ai le tagi fou fa’asaga ia te ia

Ona o le tagi fou lea na faila e le malo i le aso Faraile na te’a nei fa’asaga ia Amituana’i, na manatu ai loa le fa’amasinoga e taofi le tu’uina atu o sana fa’aiuga fa’asaga ia te ia, ae se’i fa’atali se fa’aiuga o le tagi fou lea ua faila fa’asaga ia te ia, atoa ai ma ni isi o fa’amatalaga o loo naunau le fa’amasinoga e fia maua mai e fa’atatau ia te ia.

O le taeao nei lea ua fa’amoemoe e toe tula’i ai Amituana’i i luma o le fa’amasinoga fa’aitumalo, mo le fa’atulagaina o le aso e faia ai lana fa’amasinoga autu e tusa ai o le tagi fou lea ua faia fa’asaga ia te ia.

TITIFALAULA SIAUMAU

O le aso Faraile na te’a nei na saini ai e le Fa’amasino Sili ia Michael Kruse se poloaiga, e pu’e fa’apagota mai ai le ali’i o Titifalaula Siaumau, ina ua le auai o ia i lana iloiloga sa fa’atulaga i le aso Faraile na te’a nei.

O Siaumau, lea sa galue i le Ofisa o Tiute a le malo o Amerika Samoa, o lo o tu’uaia o ia e le malo i le moliaga o lona fesoasoani lea i se isi tagata i le umia faasolitulafono o vaega o fualau faasaina o le mariuana, ma le fa’amoemoe e tulei ma fa’atau atu i isi tagata.

O se tasi o tuutuuga mai le fa’amasinoga o lo o tatala ai o ia i tua, o le auai lea i soo se taimi e fa’atulaga ai ana iloiloga i luma o le fa’amasinoga.

E le i auai le ua molia i le taimi na valaau ai lana mataupu i luma o le fa’amasinoga maualuga i le vaiaso na te’a nei, ae ina ua fesiligia e Kruse lana loaia ia Sharran Rancourt poo fea o i ai le ua molia, na tali lana loaia na te le iloa poo fea o i ai o ia.

Ua fiu fo’i e fa’afesootai lona aiga i le numera o le telefoni sa masani ona latou fesootai ai, e leai ma se isi na tali mai. O le taimi lea na fa’ailoa ai loa e Kruse lona sainia o le poloaiga e pu’e fa’apagota mai ai Siaumau, pe afai ua ia le usitaia tuutuuga na tatala ai o ia i tua.

O le mataupu o lo o tu’uaia ai Siaumau na alia’e mai i fualau fa’asaina o le mariuana lea na aumai i se afifi na auala mai i uta a le kamupani la’u uta o le CSL, ae fa’atua tusi mai i le igoa o Felix Penerosa, o se tagata faigaluega a le CSL.

Na taua e Penerosa i lana molimau i le ulua’i iloiloga a Siaumau na faia i luma o le fa’amasinoga fa’aitumalo i le masina o Me na te’a nei e fa’apea, na alu atu le ua molia ia te ia mo sana fesoasoani, mo le aumaia lea o sana afifi mai fafo.

Ina ia fa’a faigofie mo Siaumau feuaiga e mana’omia, na taua ai e Penerosa lona faia o se auala e fesoasoani ai i le ua molia, e ala i lona fai i ai e fa’atuatusi mai le afifi i lona igoa, ina ia faigofie ai feuaiga ma vave ai ona taunu’u mai le afifi i Amerika Samoa.

O le afifi a Siaumau e pei ona taua e le ali’i leoleo su’esu’e ia Det. John Paselio sa suesueina lenei mataupu, o lo o aumai ai se sipika i totonu, ae i totonu o le sipika o lo i ai vaega o lau mamago o le mariuana. O le afifi fo’i sa lafo mai i le igoa o Toese Asiata mai Sacramento.

► Falepuipui le Tina...

Mai itulau 11

ai o la’u solitulafono sa faia, ou te le toe faia fo’i se isi solitulafono faapenei i le lumana’i. O lo’u taimi muamua lenei i luma o le fa’amasinoga, o lo’u taimi mulimuli fo’i lenei ou te toe tula’i ai i se isi lava solitulafono. Ae ou te talosaga atu ma le loto maualalo fa’amolemole, se avanoa se tasi mo a’u se’i o’u fo’i ai i lo’u aiga e tausi lo’u Tina matua, ma fesoasoani i le aveina o la’u fanau i le aoga e saili ai so latou lumana’i manuia, atoa ai ma le sailiina lea o sa’u galuega e tofogi ai la’u sala,” o le talosaga lea a le Tina i le fa’amasinoga.

Na talosaga lana loaia faitua ia Fiaui mo se fa’asalaga fa’a

nofovaavaaia, e aofia ai ma le poloaiga e toe tofogi ai le tupe sa ia fa’aoga fa’asolitulafono mai le ASPA. Saunoa atili Fiaui e fa’apea, afai e tuuina atu se poloaiga e toe tofogi ai e le ua molia tupe i le ASPA, ia lava na o le aofaiga e \$3,369, pau lea o le aofaiga na ta’utino Leituane i le Ofisa Faanofovaavaaia ma le fa’amasinoga i le taimi o lana maliliea ma le malo sa ia fa’aoga fa’asolitulafono.

Na finau le loaia a le malo ia Robert Morris i le fa’amasinoga, ina ia poloa’i le ua molia e tofogi atoa le tupe sa ia ave fa’agaai, le aofaiga e \$18,050.

O le mataupu lenei na tofua i le Ofisa o Leoleo, ina ua

fiu le ASPA e fa’atali ni ripoti o tupe ma fa’amaumauga o galuega mai le ofisa i Aunu’u, ma mafua ai loa ona faia se suesuega faapitoa i lenei mataupu.

Na faailoa e le ua molia i Leoleo ina ua fesiligia o ia, na talepe e tagata le ofisa i Aunuu ae ave faagaoi meatotino sa i ai e aofia ai ma le tinoitupe e \$18,050. Mulimuli ane toe suia le tala a le ua molia i Leoleo ma ia fa’ailoa i ai, sa ia fa’aoga se vaega o le tupe mo ia lava, ae ua ia sauni fo’i e toe tofogi.

E leai ma ni fa’amaumauga mai le Ofisa i Aunu’u na maua e le ASPA, e aofia ai fa’amaumauga mo pili sa tofogi atu e tagata i a latou pili.



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IN THE COMMUNITY

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Taitai o le Komiti o le Paketi a le maota o sui, afioga Vailiuama S. Leasiolagi i le taimi na ia fa'aali ai i le maota le CD mai le faigamalo, o lo o avatu ai i totonu fa'amaumauga uma o le paketi a le malo mo le tausaga tupe fou 2018.

[ata AF]

E LE O OE O SE SULI MONI

by Sam - Vaega 82

O le tausaga lona lua o le olaga aoaoina o Ianeta i totonu o le kolisi lea ua mae'a ona lesitala ai o ia e ona matua fai, na ausia e le tama'ita'i togi maua-luluga atoa ai ma le fa'aailoga faapitoa na ia maua, e mafua mai i lana taleni o le fai ma Tusitala. O lona atamai na mafai ai ona ia tu'u fa'atasia ulua'i itula e 35 o le tala'aga o lona olaga, lea sa fa'aautuina, "O oe o le Tamafai, ae le o se Suli-moni." O le Tusi lenei na tusia e le tama'ita'i o Ianeta i le ulua'i tausaga na ulufale ai i totonu o le Kolisi lea ua fa'aaoga ai o ia e ona matua. Na lilo i manatu o Meki ma lona toalua o Lucy, o le a avea le tamaitai o Ianeta ma Tusitala i totonu o le aai o loo latou nonofo ai. O lona poto ma le atamai na maua mai i le olaga aoaoina, atoa ai ma lu'itau na tuutaia ai lona olaga pologa, o ni isi ia o auala sa fesoasoani malosi ia Ianeta i le taumafai e tu'u fa'atasi lana ulua'i tusi. O le aso o lona fa'auuga i le fa'aiuga o le ulua'i 2 tausaga o lona olaga aoaoina, sa ia manatu ai loa e tatala ai le vaega muamua o lana Tusi lea ua mae'a ona tusi, atoa ai ma le fa'alauiloaina o lana meaalofo faapitoa mo le ali'i foma'i o Lavi.

Na fa'ateia le ali'i foma'i ao pisi i ana galuega masani i lona ofisa ina ua tu'itu'i atu le faitoto'a, ae ina ua tatala atu, o le tamaitai o Ianeta. O se feiloaiga i loimata na molimauiina i le

taeao, ona ua lata i le 2 tausaga e lei toe fa'alogo atu lava le alii foma'i i se tala e fa'atatau ia Ianeta. "O le a se tala mai i lou gasegase, o toe fa'alogoina tulaga faaletonu na aafia ai lou tino i le 2 tausaga talu ai," o le fesili fia iloa lea a le ali'i foma'i o Lavi, ae ua fa'amimini le tama'ita'i ma ata, ona fa'apea lea o lana fa'amatalaga, "O le agalelei o le Atua atoa ai ma lou loto fesoasoani, ua mafua ai ona ou toe maua le malosi". O le fa'aiuga o le la talanoaga i lea aso, na tu'u aloaia atu ai loa e Ianeta i le ali'i foma'i lona tusi valaaulia i lona fa'auuga e faia i le aso mulimuli lava o le masina lea. "Fa'auuga," o le fesili lea a Lavi ma lona fiafia tele. "O a mai nai ou matua," o le isi lea fesili a le ali'i foma'i na ia vaaia ai loa le maligi o loimata o le tama'ita'i o Ianeta.

"O i ai se mea o tupu i ou matua," o le toe fesili atu lea a le ali'i foma'i, ae na lulu le ulu o Ianeta ma fa'apea ane, "E leai, ae ua maligi o'u loimata ina ua e fesili mai i o'u matua, ae o tagata moni ia ua mafua ai ona ou oo mai i lenei tulaga ua ou i ai, ua ou ola saoloto ai ma ola fiafia, i'u ma le manuia la'u aoga ona o le la tausiga alofa ia te a'u le tagata ese". Na vaaia e Lavi lagona mafatia o Ianeta atoa ai ma lona alofa moni ia Meki ma Lucy. "Vaai oe Ianeta, ua silafia e le Atua le moni o lou alofa i ou matua, e le toe aveesea e se isi lena manatu mai ia te

oe, pau le tatalo, ia faamalosi mo isi tausaga o loo totoe o le olaga aoaoina, ina ia maua ai se lumana'i manuia mo oe ma nai ou matua".

O le vaiaso na sosoo ma le vaiaso o le fa'auuga, o se vaiaso pisi lea i tama ma teine aoga, e le gata ua fai a latou fiafia ma pati, ae ua faia fo'i mafutaga ma togalauapi i nofoaga eseeese i totonu o le aai, o se tasi lea o tu ma aganu'u ua masani ai tupu-laga pe a oo i taimi fa'ai'u o le olaga aoaoina, aua e uma loa le fa'auuga, ona le toe maua loa lea o se isi mafutaga ma uo, ae alu lava le tagata e atina'e lona olaga ma lona aiga. E le faapena le tama'ita'i o Ianeta ina ua oo i le vaiaso faai'u e sosoo ma le vaiaso o le faauuga, e lei alu lava i se mea, ae sa na o le nofo i le fale ma fesoasoani ia Lucy i feau o le aiga, o isi fo'i aso e tau mulimuli ai i le ofisa a lona tama i lana galuega, ma ua avea o se vaiaso sa sili ona fiafia ai le loto o le tama'ita'i.

O le taeao tonu o le faauuga, na matua ese ai le vaai a matua, uo ma aiga atoa ai ma le au valaaulia, ina ua latou vaaia i luma o le Fale lea ua faatulaga e faia ai le fauuga, se ie tele lava o loo faapipii ai ata uma o tamaiti fa'au'u, ae o le isi itu, o lo o faapipii mai ai le isi ie o loo tusia ai le autu, "O oe o le Tamafai ae le o se Sulimoni" faatasi ai ma le ata o le teineititi o Ianeta o lo o fa'apipi'i ai i tafatafa o le autu.

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ACROSS

- 1 Cup o' joe

5 Do another take

11 Type of welder

14 Strong smell

15 Newton-John of music

16 Gehrig of the streak

17 "Goodness, gracious, great ..."

19 Links standard

20 Versatile wood

21 Jeans complement, often

23 Acid variety

26 Advanced degree

27 Steps on a scale?

28 Brain parts

30 It's a funny business

31 Common U.K. brew

32 Embrace, as a belief

35 "... walk away, and ..."

40 Tuscan wine

41 Fish eggs

43 Words at the start of a film script

46 Spray can emission

49 Former maritime menace

50 "___, two, three, four!" (marching syllables)

52 Muscat native
- 53 Activated, as a light

55 Take to court

56 It's a real conclusion?

57 "It's the only thing that there is just ..."

62 Washington & ___ University

63 Prime Minister Gandhi

64 British noble

65 Make a wrong decision

66 Springtime holiday

67 Lowly deck card
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1 Gig

2 Oral hygiene org.

3 Remote abbr.

4 "What's My Line?" panelist Francis

5 One of many in a mansion

6 Shoemaker's helper in a fairy tale

7 Liquor quantity

8 Covered with green creepers

9 Old Parmesan bread?

10 In a stately manner, musically

11 Mountainous

12 Howled with glee
- 13 Little girl's bow

18 Human pig

22 One of the Simpsons

23 Play before the camera

24 "... the ___ shall inherit ..."

25 Isfahan's land

26 Turkish rank of honor, once

29 Not be disqualified after all

30 Any baby or puppy

33 Con's quarters

34 Like draft beer

36 It comes up to the shore

37 Formal requirement

38 Bear of astronomy

39 When many have lunch

42 Pharmaceutical giant ___ Lilly

43 Not worth doing

44 Privilege loser, often

45 Sloping-roof window

47 Do more than merely defeat

48 Folded breakfast

50 They might go over your head

51 Like a brand-new candle

54 Lady of Spain

55 Betelgeuse is one

58 Hot wrath

59 Thing with a tiny stirrup

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PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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THE LAST WORD IN ASTROLOGY



Happy Birthday: Finish what you start. Put time and energy into building better relationships with your friends, siblings and colleagues. Concentrate on your interests in life and how best to enhance what you already have. Aim to live within your means and to focus on making financial gains and life-style changes that will give you greater leeway to take advantage of new opportunities. Your numbers are 7, 18, 20, 24, 32, 40, 44.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Make your input count. You can get ahead if you show dedication and are willing to go the extra mile. Refuse to let anyone steal your glory or take credit for the work you do. Aim to make a lasting impression. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Gather information that will help you better relate to your peers or colleagues. Greater involvement in activities that require teamwork will give you a sense of unity and belonging. Your input will be valued and collaboration will pay off. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Hard work, taking action and following through with your promises and plans will help you avoid criticism and complaints. Pick and choose who you help carefully. Not everyone will be worthy of the time, effort and wisdom you offer. **

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A day trip or spending time with someone you look up to or can learn from is encouraged. Handle important partnerships with diplomacy. Charm will get you what you want, and moodiness will lead to a stalemate. Avoid stubbornness.*****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep your thoughts clear and be precise when dealing with others. There is no room for misunderstandings that leave you vulnerable. Patience and practicality will be your ticket to getting what you want. Stick to your budget. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Share your feelings and find out where you stand. Don't feel like you have to do what others want you to do. Fight for equality and recognize that you have as much right as anyone else to pursue your interests, goals and beliefs.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Protect your personal secrets, passwords and feelings. Don't be fooled by fast talk. Concentrate on what you can do to improve your surroundings, environment or status. Reconnect with someone you have worked with in the past. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your perspective and insight will be accurate, so don't let someone lead you astray using fast talk or a pushy attitude. Keep doing things your way and you will stand out for your effort, creativity and reliability. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emotions will flare up if you let someone manipulate you. Less talk and more action will make others be reluctant to get in your way. A short trip or educational pursuit will help you get ahead. Be proactive.**

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be selective when dealing with relationships, information or physical concerns. Making the best choice for you or someone you love will be difficult due to changing circumstances. Aim for stability and make decision based on facts.*****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): If you feel you need a change, make it happen. Put in the time and effort required to gather information and crunch numbers. Embrace a challenge. Proceed with confidence and be proud of your accomplishments. Celebrate with someone you love. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A partnership will be on shaky ground if one or both of you refuse to recognize the problems that exist. Be willing to compromise and be open to discussions. Strive for equality and don't offer more than you can handle. ***



FAMILY'S TOLERANCE OF VERBAL ABUSE IS RED FLAG FOR GIRLFRIEND

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend and I have been together for almost a year and a half. In the beginning, he kept his family and me apart. I thought it was because they were extremely close, but turns out he was doing me a favor given their inappropriate and cruel treatment of one another.

At my boyfriend's birthday lunch, his father called his mother the worst possible word anyone could call a female. My boyfriend and his sisters didn't seem phased by his verbal abuse. I worry his parents' toxic and unloving relationship is something he will eventually settle for in life. Is it possible for children not to emulate their parents' example, or should I move on? -- NOT IN THE FAMILY

DEAR NOT IN THE FAMILY: Children do not automatically follow the abysmal patterns set by their parents. However, if you and this man are serious and you are contemplating a future with him, I strongly recommend that before formalizing your relationship, you seek premarital counseling together to avoid any unpleasant surprises.

DEAR ABBY: I have a question about nail-biting/finger chewing. We recently hired a new employee who is in daily contact with the public. He is a finger chewer, and his nails are bitten well below the finger tip. I am struggling with this because I had a childhood friend who chewed her fingers to the point of bleeding, and I have a strong negative reaction when I see people do it.

When, if ever, is it appropriate to speak to someone about this bad habit? I have recently learned that it is actually a medical diagnosis and can lead to gastric disorders. We all know there are many germs on our hands, and every time you put them in your mouth, you're transferring them to your intestinal tract. -- WORRIED IN THE EAST

DEAR WORRIED: I have heard of very few nail-biters who are proud of the habit. There's a saying -- not original -- that if you want someone to avoid you, just tell him something "for his own good." If you want a pleasant working relationship with this person, mind your own business and do not attempt to "help" him by offering unasked-for advice.

DEAR ABBY: I'm usually well-spoken and articulate with family and close friends. But when talking to strangers or potential employers, I tend to choke up and make no sense at all. I become anxious and forget what I want to say. Do you have any ideas why this happens? -- TALKER IN THE WEST

DEAR TALKER: It may happen because you suffer from a form of social anxiety -- one shared by many people. Fortunately, there's help for it if you consult a mental health professional. Because it is interfering with employment opportunities, you shouldn't wait.

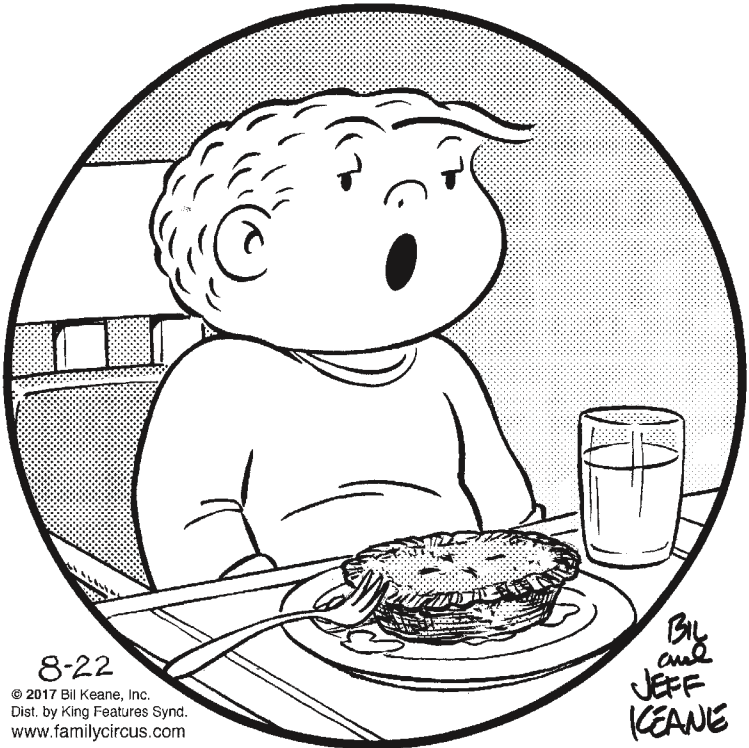
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By Bil Keane

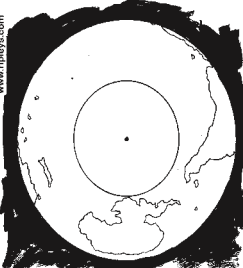


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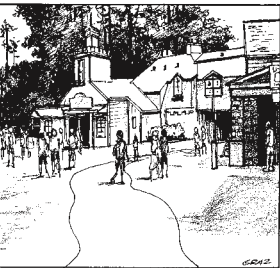
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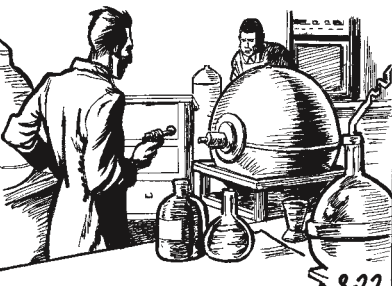


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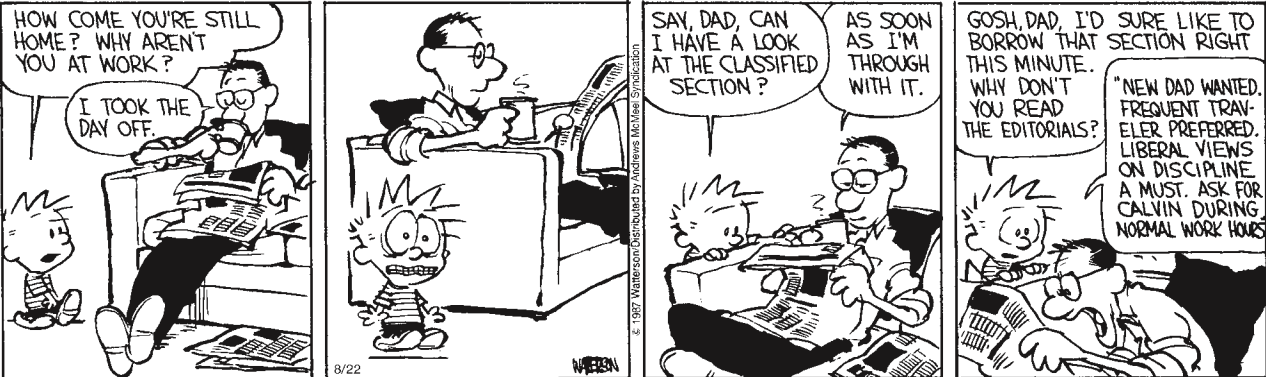


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HOW COME YOU'RE STILL HOME? WHY AREN'T YOU AT WORK?
I TOOK THE DAY OFF.
SAY, DAD, CAN I HAVE A LOOK AT THE CLASSIFIED SECTION?
AS SOON AS I'M THROUGH WITH IT.
GOSH, DAD, I'D SURE LIKE TO BORROW THAT SECTION RIGHT THIS MINUTE. WHY DON'T YOU READ THE EDITORIALS?
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BUTTER.. NINETY-EIGHT TWICE.. BREAD.. THIRTY-NINE..
HERE'S THE WORLD FAMOUS GROCERY CLERK WORKING AT THE CHECK-OUT COUNTER..
EGGS... FIFTY-NINE.. TEA... SEVENTY-NINE... MILK...
ACTUALLY, THERE AREN'T MORE THAN A DOZEN WORLD-FAMOUS GROCERY CLERKS...



TALS Many sides, many sides.
BUT IT STILL STINKS FROM THE HEAD.

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LAST QUESTION FOR OUR IMPARTIAL POLL: HOW ROTTEN A JOB IS OUR AWFUL PRESIDENT DOING SO FAR?

Sudoku Pacific

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Monday's Puzzle Answer

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Hagar the Horrible®

by Chris Brown



WISE MAN! HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN LIVING UP HERE?
THAT LONG, HUH?
BAA BAAA!

GARFIELD®

by Jim Davis



GRRRRRR...
BARK!
DID YOU SEE HOW I BUILT THE SUSPENSE WITH THE GROWL?
I WAS ON THE EDGE OF MY SEAT

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TELL ME A STORY: THE STALK OF FLAX

(A TALE FROM ITALY)
*adapted by Amy Friedman and
illustrated by Meredith Johnson*



Once upon a time, a beautiful child was born to a wealthy merchant and his wife. Soon after Thalia was born, her mother died, and so the baby became the pride and joy of the merchant. He called all the village elders to come and bless his child. But when they did, one of the elders who looked at the child inside her crib turned pale.

“Trouble awaits her from a stalk of flax,” he said. So the merchant forbade any flax inside their estate, and he ordered his servants to watch carefully over his beloved daughter.

Once, after Thalia had turned 21, she was standing at her bedroom window when she spotted a woman across the estate spinning yarn, and Thalia was mesmerized by the whirling and twisting of the thread. She called out to the woman, “Please come here so I can see what you are doing.”

The woman walked to the window and handed the distaff to Thalia. “Go ahead, pull on the thread,” she said. The moment Thalia pulled, a stalk of flax lodged under one of her fingernails and she fell down, dead. The old woman hurried away.

The merchant was overcome with grief, and wishing never to remember this moment, he closed up his estate and moved far away, leaving his daughter’s body behind.

A few days later, the prince of the village was hunting when his falcon escaped from the hunting party and flew into an open window of the merchant’s estate. The prince and his men followed the falcon, but they could not lure the creature outside, and so they knocked on the door. Naturally, no one answered. The prince peered inside the open window and saw that the place was abandoned, so he climbed inside.

Soon he found beautiful Thalia lying upon her bed. She looked as if she were asleep, and so the prince gently shook her arm and said, “Wake up, miss. My falcon has decided to stay here.”

She did not wake, and at last the prince’s men captured the falcon. They departed, but when the prince returned home, he could not stop thinking about that sleeping beauty. He began to walk through the palace in a daze.

A few days later, a twin boy and girl who had no family walked past the abandoned estate, and when they saw an open window, they decided to climb inside. They decided this would be a lovely place to live. They, too, found Thalia.

At first, they were afraid to go near her. But the little girl grew brave and reached out and squeezed her hand. When she did, the flax splinter popped out, and Thalia woke from her deep sleep.

When she saw the children standing beside her, Thalia felt as if they must be her own children. She begged them to live with her. They agreed. Thalia named the little boy Sun and the little girl Moon. Magically, from that day on, whenever any of them wished for something -- food or drink or any other comfort -- it magically appeared.

Some time passed, and finally the prince decided that he must go see the sleeping beauty again. When he reached the estate and found her awake with the two beautiful children with her, he said, “I must take care of you. Let us be the greatest of friends. Whenever you need anything, you will call on me.”

Then the prince returned to his palace, but could not stop thinking of Thalia and Sun and Moon, and so he walked through the palace repeating their names.

His stepmother, the queen, finally had enough. She was a jealous woman, and she could not bear the thought of her stepson loving anyone more than he loved her. She spoke to her chief adviser. “Go find this woman and the children

who have enchanted my stepson and find out all you can about them,” she ordered.

The adviser traveled to the estate and spoke with Thalia and the children. When he returned to the queen, the adviser told her of their beauty -- physically and spiritually. They were, he said, the sort of people everyone would love.

The stepmother ordered the adviser to bring these people to her so she could kill them. When he heard this, the adviser became distraught, so he and the queen’s cook conspired to hide the children, but would bring Thalia to the queen.

Thalia agreed to leave Sun and Moon to meet with the queen. When the adviser and the cook brought Thalia before the queen, they told the evil woman that the children were dead. The queen was glad to hear the children were gone, and now it was time to destroy Thalia. “You have enchanted my stepson and must be thrown into the fire for this crime,” she said. “I cannot abide an enchantress.” “Please, let me first remove my dress,” Thalia said. “You may have it as your own.” The dress was covered with pearls

and gold. Naturally, the queen agreed. As slowly as she could, Thalia began to undress, and just as she slipped off the first sleeve, the prince rushed into the room. “What are you doing to my beloved?” he cried. “And where are the children?” The queen laughed. “This is a witch who must die, and the children are dead. My cook killed them.”

The prince raised his sword and turned to the cook, who quickly cried, “Sir, I would never do such a thing! I have hidden the children.”

The prince stared at him. “If you have saved the children, I will make you the happiest man in the world, but if you are lying, you must die.”

The cook’s wife suddenly appeared with Sun and Moon, who rushed to Thalia’s side, and the prince said to the cook, “You shall be rewarded.”

The next day, he banished his evil stepmother to the deepest part of the forest as punishment for her jealousy and cruelty. He married Thalia, and together they raised Sun and Moon and lived happily ever after.

The Stalk of Flax

