

With challenger not admitted, Van Niekerk cruises to victory

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LONDON (AP) — If it seemed as though there were miles between Wayde van Niekerk and his closest competition on Tuesday — well, that wasn't so far from the truth.

On a chilly evening in which the South African sprinter eased up before the finish line and still won his second straight 400-meter world title by .43 seconds, the man who was expected to give him the toughest test wasn't even allowed in the stadium.

The stomach virus that hit a number of athletes at the world championships earlier in the week morphed into a full-fledged mess a few hours before the 400 final, when video surfaced of Isaac Makwala of Botswana — who has pushed

Van Niekerk in races all season — being escorted away from the athletes' entrance to the stadium.

Makwala insisted he felt fine. But he vomited Monday before the heats of his other race, the 200 meters, and the IAAF said doctors checked him, determined he had norovirus and, per the recommendation of health regulators in Britain, told him he had to stay off the premises for 48 hours.

"I came here for a medal," a healthy looking Makwala said in an interview with BBC Sports. "Some people force you to withdraw. I'm OK to run, but someone's saying you can't run. It's a bad thing."

The IAAF put out its own

statement defending the decision, saying it "is very sorry that the hard work and talent of Isaac Makwala won't be on display tonight but we have to think of the welfare of all athletes."

But that was hardly the end of the debate.

Social media erupted with second-guessing and hypotheticals, including: What would the IAAF have done if this had been Usain Bolt? And, What's the use of telling someone you're sick when they're just going to bar you from the stadium?

The innocent bystander was Van Niekerk, who, truth be told, would've been favored to win this race had Makwala been there anyway. He is the world-record holder and Olympic



South Africa's Wayde Van Niekerk crosses the line to win the gold medal in the Men's 400m final during the World Athletics Championships in London Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.

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The fight between Alex "Lionheart" Le'apai of Australia vs. Alapati "Heat Man" A'asa of Samoa was officially announced on social media.

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Manchester United's Marouane Fellaini during the UEFA Super Cup final soccer match between Real Madrid and Manchester United at Philip II Arena in Skopje, Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.
(AP Photo/Boris Grdanoski)

Real Madrid beats Manchester
United 2-1 to win Super Cup

SKOPJE, Macedonia (AP) — Real Madrid eased to a 2-1 victory over Manchester United to win the Super Cup on Tuesday, with goals in each half from Casemiro and Isco.

Cristiano Ronaldo watched most of the end-to-end action from the bench, while his teammates outclassed United Cup on a hot night.

Casemiro hit the bar with a header and fired a shot over the top before scoring in the 24th minute. The Brazilian slid in for a left-foot finish, served up by Dani Carvajal.

Isco extended the lead for Zinedine Zidane's European champions with a shot in the 52nd, after Gareth Bale helped him run through United's defense.

Making amends for an earlier miss, United's new striker Romelu Lukaku made it 2-1 in the 62nd, beating Keylor Navas after the goalkeeper had blocked a powerful shot from Nemanja Matic.

"Key to winning this game was two things we do well,"

Zidane said. "We hold and control well, and we finish our chances at the right moment."

"The second half was not great, but the first half was spectacular. We have talented players who want to win every challenge. That how they want to grow as players."

The players needed two cooling breaks to cope with temperatures of 32C (90 F) that led to three spectators being taken to hospital.

The Super Cup pitches the previous season's Champions League winners against the Europa League holders.

It was Zidane's second consecutive Super Cup title. For United coach Jose Mourinho, it was a third failed attempt to add the trophy to his collection.

United matched Madrid for pace but lacked the finish to turn the match around. Henrikh Mkhitaryan, who regularly burst forward, and substitute Marcus Rashford provided much of United's threat.

Both Rashford and Paul Pogba missed glaring second-

half chances, failing to score with Navas at their mercy.

The game was watched by former United coaching great Alex Ferguson. Ronaldo went on after the 80th minute and had little chance to make an impact as Madrid closed down its opponents.

Moments before the final whistle, a shirtless fan ran onto the pitch and was wrestled to the ground by stewards.

More than 2,500 police officers were on duty for the game in the tiny Balkan country. Four people were arrested, accused of selling unauthorized tickets. Authorities reported no major public disturbances after the match ended.

Following the award ceremony, Mourinho handed his medal to a young fan and later joked that he saw no point in holding onto it.

"Sometimes when I win I don't keep the medal, so imagine when I lose," he said. "For me, the medal would go to some place in my house and for that kid, it's the moon."



Pittsburgh Steelers tight end Jesse James (81) is recorded on video as he is interviewed during team arrival for NFL football training camp in Latrobe, Pa., Thursday, July 27, 2017.

(AP Photo/Keith Srakocic)

James ready to take over as Steelers’ top tight end

LATROBE, Pa. (AP) — Jesse James has prepared the last two offseasons to be the starting tight end for the Pittsburgh Steelers even as the team explored its options following Heath Miller’s unexpected retirement in 2015.

Pittsburgh splurged in free agency a year ago, signing Ladarius Green to a four-year deal. It lasted only one. When the Steelers released Green in the spring, James found himself in the spot he believed he could be in all along: a starter on one of the NFL’s most potent offenses.

“I knew I had a chance to be the guy last year. Things didn’t work out for Ladarius early in the season, so I had that opportunity,” James said. “This summer, the Steelers really gave me a chance to come into that role, and now that’s the expectation, so that’s what I’m going to do.”

While Green struggled to stay healthy in his only season in Pittsburgh, James flourished. He appeared in all 19 games last season for the AFC North champions, finishing with 39 receptions for 338 yards and three touchdowns.

Headly territory for a kid who grew up in suburban Pittsburgh. Yet he hardly thinks he’s arrived.

“I’ll have to step it up and be more reliable and more prepared to help the team in every situation,” James said.

“I feel great and obviously I’m in a better position than I was last year, mentally and physically. I feel better about where my game’s at and what I need to do to be ready for the season.”

Green, who signed a four-year, \$20 million contract in free agency, was placed on

the physically unable to perform list in training camp and didn’t appear in a game until November, the 10th week of the regular season against Dallas. He played in five games before a season-ending concussion in week 14. The Steelers released Green after he failed his physical in May.

The team didn’t draft or sign another tight end, allowing James to take over the starting role.

“It shows a lot that the coaching staff didn’t go out and get somebody in free agency,” James said.

“They must’ve liked what they saw in those 10 games we didn’t have Ladarius. We have a young group, so they know what to expect from us and they know we’re going to grow.”

James played high school football at nearby South Allegheny and starred in college at Penn State.

He grew up watching Miller and the Steelers. James, a fifth-round draft pick in 2015, spent a year under Miller’s tutelage and now he leads a group that includes evolving pass-catcher Xavier Grimble and veteran blocking specialist David Johnson.

The Steelers added offensive lineman Chris Hubbard to the tight end group last season in an effort to boost the run game and create space for All-Pro running back Le’Veon Bell.

The plan helped carry the Steelers to the AFC Championship game.

Pittsburgh reeled off nine straight wins and averaged 144 rushing yards per game, up from an average of 82 yards for the first 10 games.

Expect to see more of the same in 2017 from James and the Steelers’ tight ends.



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United States’ Sam Kendricks celebrates after winning the gold medal in the men’s pole vault final during the World Athletics Championships in London Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.

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Army reservist Sam Kendricks wins pole vault gold at worlds

⊗ LONDON (AP) — Sam Kendricks will soon step on the podium as a gold medalist and hear the only song he knows by heart — “The Star-Spangled Banner.”

“The anthem is something near and dear,” said the Army reservist and pole vault world champion. “I don’t know how I’m going to react.”

Things are definitely looking up for him these days. In March, Kendricks was promoted to first lieutenant.

On Tuesday, he went from bronze at the Olympics to gold at the world championships.

Kendricks edged Piotr Lisek of Poland and 2012 London Games champion Renaud Lavillenie of France by being remarkably consistent. Kendricks doesn’t use as long of a pole, which means he must use military precision to eke the most out of his game.

“I was the best jumper I can be on a shorter pole than everyone else. Tonight, it handed me my victory,” said Kendricks, who cleared 5.95 meters to earn the win.

Asked why he uses such a shorter pole, he shrugged: “Takes me less time to get to the bar — less time to make errors.”

A funny thing happened on

his victory lap — he went too fast and got a stitch in his side. He had nothing left to prove. But clearly, he prides himself in giving maximum effort at any time he’s out there.

This, after all, is fun and games. Kendricks’ stay in London will reach its high point Wednesday, when he receives the gold medal and the Stars and Stripes are raised in the stadium. A stark contrast from home, where his unit has been loading ships in South Carolina. He was given time off so he could compete.

“I’m glad I have a medal to show them,” said Kendricks, who trains in Mississippi and is coached by his father. “Being an officer is being on call when one of your soldiers needs you, and staying up to date with my personal fitness, and to be ready when my unit calls me.”

After his lap was complete, Kendricks carefully folded up the American flag and draped it over his shoulder, covering up the smaller flag on his jacket.

“Sometimes, the bigger flag is nicer,” he laughed.

Kendricks gave his flag from the Rio de Janeiro Olympics to his twin brother. This one is going to his girlfriend.

It was meticulously earned,

too. Kendricks used a marker to jot down on his arm the takeoff points he wanted to hit during his run up to the pit. It worked, and he joins Brad Walker (Osaka, 2007) as the only American men to win a world pole vault title.

“We often considered ourselves the masters of the 1 percent,” Kendricks said. “How can an athlete like me, who’s not necessarily at the top of the world in anything, numbers-wise, how can I be at the top of the world in the pole vault?”

“I can get a little bit better in everything, be a little more exact than I was the day before.”

He had to sweat it out, though, as Lavillenie raised the bar to 6.01 meters to go for the win.

“You have one champion and two other medalists,” said Lavillenie, who’s been dealing with injuries, “so that’s why I wanted to keep putting pressure on Sam to try 6.01.”

After the competition, Kendricks shared a moment with Lavillenie. “I know no one is more dangerous than Renaud at this time in history,” Kendricks explained. “I said, ‘Good job, brother. We’ll have a good one next time. Now, let’s go get dinner.’”



FILE - In this Saturday, June 17, 2017 file photo, Crew chief Joe West smiles as he talks to staff in the Seattle Mariners dugout in the fourth inning of a baseball game against the Texas Rangers in Arlington, Texas. Joe West, the major leagues’ senior umpire, has been suspended for three days for comments he made about Texas third baseman Adrian Beltre, Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.
(AP Photo/Tony Gutierrez, File)

Joe West suspended for 3 games for comments about Beltre

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe West, the major leagues’ senior umpire, has been suspended for three days for comments he made about Texas third baseman Adrian Beltre.

In a USA Today report published June 20 timed to coincide with the umpire’s 5,000th regular-season game, West said “it’s got to be Adrian Beltre” when asked who was the biggest complainer in the major leagues.

“Every pitch you call that’s a strike, he says, ‘Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!’ I had a game with him recently and the pitch was right down the middle. He tells me, ‘That ball is outside,’” West was quoted as saying.

“I told him, ‘You may be a great ballplayer, but you’re the worst umpire in the league. You stink,’” West also was quoted as saying.

The World Umpires Association said Tuesday that West was serving the first game of the suspension. It said Major League Baseball told the union in an Aug. 3 letter the discipline created an “appearance of lack of impartiality.”

“Joking interactions between umpires and players are a routine part of the game,” the union said in a statement. “We disagree strongly with the decision to punish Joe West simply for sharing a humorous exchange with a player.”

MLB did not immediately comment.

The 64-year-old West made his big league debut in September 1976 and trails only Bill Klemm (5,375) and Bruce Froemming (5,163) among regular-season games worked. West’s 123 postseason games are 10 behind Gerry Davis’ record.



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Pittsburgh Pirates’ Andrew McCutchen, left, celebrates with Josh Harrison (5) after hitting a solo home run off Detroit Tigers starting pitcher Matthew Boyd in the fourth inning of a baseball game in Pittsburgh, Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.

(AP Photo/Gene J. Puskar)

McCutchen, Kuhl lift Pirates over reeling Tigers 6-3

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Andrew McCutchen hit his 23rd home run of the season and the surging Pittsburgh Pirates downed the reeling Detroit Tigers 6-3 on Tuesday.

Chad Kuhl (5-7) took a shutout into the sixth and allowed three runs and five hits to win his second straight start. Kuhl, who pitched six innings, had the first two RBIs of his big league career on a two-run single in the fourth off Matthew Boyd (5-6).

McCutchen took Boyd to the seats in center field leading off the fourth for his franchise-record 13th interleague home run. David Freese added two hits for the Pirates, who have won three straight and five of six to pull within a game of .500 (56-57). Felipe Rivero worked a perfect ninth for his 10th save.

Jim Adduci hit an RBI double for the Tigers and Mikie Mahtook had two of Detroit’s five hits. Boyd lasted just four-plus innings, losing for the first time since his recall from Triple-A Toledo at the All-Star break. Detroit has lost four straight games, its fifth skid of at least four games this season.

While the Tigers are fading, the Pirates continue to stay within striking distance in the

NL Central thanks to steady improvement from the back end of the rotation. A night after Trevor Williams gave up one hit in seven innings, Kuhl appeared ready to match him.

His fastball reaching 99 mph, Kuhl overpowered the Tigers for the first five innings, surrendering only a pair of singles to Mahtook and a walk. Though Kuhl faltered in the sixth, by then he was working with a six-run lead. Kuhl improved to 4-1 in his last 10 starts and his ERA, which peaked at 6.69 after he got rocked by Washington on May 16, is 4.53.

Kuhl even found a little magic with the bat. He entered 3 for 54 (.056) at the plate in his major league career but found a way to break the game open in the fourth. McCutchen’s shot to start the fourth put Pittsburgh up 2-0. Kuhl stepped in with the bases loaded and two outs. He flailed wildly at Boyd’s first pitch but regrouped to send Boyd’s next offering into left - just over the outstretched glove of Detroit shortstop Andrew Romine - to push the Pirate lead to 4-0.

Boyd, unbeaten since returning from a five-week stay at Triple-A following a bumpy two months in the rotation, left

following Freese’s RBI single three batters into the fifth. Boyd struck out five and issued one walk, his ERA rising to 5.64.

Adducci’s double in the sixth was also Detroit’s last hit of the night. Three Pirate relievers retired the Tigers in order over the last three innings. Rivero, who blew a save on Sunday in an eventual 12-inning victory over San Diego, needed just 12 pitches to breeze through the ninth as Pittsburgh moved to an NL-best 64-47 against the American League since 2012.

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Newly acquired Buffalo Bills receiver Anquan Boldin runs a drill at NFL football training camp in Pittsford, N.Y., Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.

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Boldin focused on leaving his mark after signing with Bills

PITTSFORD, N.Y. (AP) — Rookie receiver Zay Jones’ enthusiastic youthful remark was Anquan Boldin’s reminder that he’s not getting any younger. The 36-year-old Boldin’s first day of practice with the Buffalo Bills was moving along smoothly until being informed of Jones’ statement coming off the field on Tuesday.

“It’s unbelievable,” the 22-year-old second-round pick said. “I was just talking to Anquan, and it’s funny because his rookie year in the league, I was only 6 years old.”

Boldin rolled his eyes and shook his head.

“I played with Emmitt Smith my rookie year, and I used to give him heat about having his rookie card and all that stuff,” Boldin said of the Hall of Fame running back who was his teammate in Arizona in 2003 and

’04. “I guess it’s just me getting it back.”

Once the laughter subsided, Boldin made clear he didn’t sign a one-year contract with the Bills a day earlier to spend time reminiscing on his past 14 NFL seasons. He is instead looking ahead to spending his 15th season to cement his place as one of the league’s top receivers. “I don’t think I have anything to prove,” he said. “But for me it’s about leaving a legacy.”

To him that means winning, something Boldin believes can happen in Buffalo on a team in the midst of a 17-year playoff drought — the longest active streak in North America’s four major professional sports. “I think this team’s close if you ask me,” he said.

It also means taking on a leadership role in being an on- and off-field mentor for Buffalo’s young crop of receivers such as Jones and Sammy Watkins.

“Hopefully, I can help him take his game to the next level,” Boldin said, referring to Watkins, whose first three seasons have been sidetracked by injuries. “But honestly that all depends on him,” Boldin added. “The only thing I can do is share my experiences and give him advice about different things I’ve been through.”

Running back LeSean McCoy believes Boldin can be an important influence to Watkins.

“Sammy’s been a player who’s playing off talent,” McCoy told The Associated Press. “I think getting him veteran leaders that lead him in the right direction would be good for him.”

Watkins was on board in welcoming the NFL’s 2015 Walter Payton Man of the Year winner and someone who ranks in the top four among active receivers with 1,076 catches, 13,779 yards receiving and 82 touchdowns receiving.

“He’s a great asset to the team,” Watkins said. “I can grow and learn from him. He can help me mentally and physically.” Boldin joined the Bills after spending last season with Detroit, where he had 67 catches for 584 yards and eight touchdowns in 16 games. He mostly lined up in the slot and was used in a short-yardage possession role.

The Bills will likely use him in a similar fashion in working the middle of the field to attract attention away from their outside threats. Boldin showed no indication he’s lost a step after spending the entire offseason waiting to land a job. During an individual drill, Boldin easily maneuvered through a number of pylons and made a one-handed catch just before running out of bounds.

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Cleveland Indians’ Michael Brantley, right, is looked at by a trainer in the fifth inning of a baseball game against the Colorado Rockies, Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017, in Cleveland. Brantley left the game in the fifth inning.

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champion and is being touted as the planet’s greatest sprinter in a post-Bolt world.

Van Niekerk won the race in a pedestrian-for-him 43.98 seconds, which was still two full paces ahead of silver and bronze medalists Steven Gardiner and Abdalelah Haroun.

“It was just definitely a heartbreaking moment,” Van Niekerk said. “I saw him just before the 200-meter heat and the only thing I could think of was wrapping my arms around him and telling him to get well soon. As much as you want to leave with gold medals, you want to go out there with the best guys also out there.”

Makwala wasn’t the only top runner missing.

Minutes before her heat in the 200 meters was to start, Tori Bowie withdrew.

The American was in the stadium and went through warm-ups, but the scrapes and bruises on her hip from the dive over the line in her 100-meter victory two nights before hadn’t healed enough for her to race again. Her status for the relays Friday and Saturday was to be determined.

Also missing was David Rudisha of Kenya, the world-record holder at 800 meters who pulled out last week with a leg injury — a move that turned the event into a free-for-all. Pierre-Ambroise Bosse of France wound up with the gold.

Other winners were no surprise: Conseslus Kipruto of Kenya in the steeplechase and Barbora Spotakova of the Czech Republic in the javelin — a victory that came a decade after her last world title.

America’s brightest moment came from Sam Kendricks, who was the only pole vaulter to clear 5.95 meters and captured his country’s third gold medal of the meet. Third-place finisher Renaud Lavillenie of France — booed mercilessly at last year’s Olympics when he set the bar at a height that would’ve won him gold over a Brazilian favorite — also used his final attempt this year to go for the win at 6.01 instead of trying for second at 5.95.

“Silver or bronze, it’s almost the same,” Lavillenie explained. “You have one champion and two other medalists.”

Pole vault may have been the best pure competition, but the evening will also be remembered for the showdown that never transpired: Makwala vs. Van Niekerk.

“As an athlete, as a brother, I would’ve liked to see my brother given a chance and do whatever he could do best,” said Nijel Amos, an 800-meter finalist from Botswana.

Hard to argue with that — and Van Niekerk certainly did not. “I have sympathy for him,” he said. “I wish I could give him my medal.”

He might have one to spare. With Bolt not racing in the 200, and Makwala — who would’ve contended at that distance, too — unable to get to the starting line, the odds of Van Niekerk completing the 200-400 double just keep getting better.

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Vikings bid farewell to Mankato after 52 years

MANKATO, Minn. (AP) — Minnesota Vikings equipment manager Dennis Ryan loaded the team's pads and bags into a truck headed for the Twin Cities, just as he has so many times on the team's last day of training camp.

He will never have to do it again.

The Vikings bid farewell to Mankato on Tuesday after 52 years of training camps in the college town located about 90 miles south of Minneapolis. So ended one of the longest-running relationships between an NFL team and a satellite camp location.

"I really enjoyed my time down here," said Vikings tight end Kyle Rudolph, who made his seventh and final trek to Mankato. "The fans are great, the energy is great. The facilities are incredible. We have everything we need. We'll definitely miss it."

The Vikings will move

training camp to their new practice facility when it opens in the St. Paul suburb of Eagan next year. The state-of-the-art complex will have all the comforts and equipment the team needs without the hassle and cost of transporting so much of it to another town for two to three weeks every summer.

But what the new place will not be able to provide is the sense of camaraderie and bonding that is forged with so many from the organization staying in a college dorm for such a long stretch of time.

"To be honest, I was probably not in the greatest mood about having to stay in a dorm again, but my experience down here has been awesome," said quarterback Sam Bradford, who made his lone trip to Mankato this season. "It's been better than I probably could have imagined it would be and I think a lot of it has to do with just the fans."

Thousands turned out for the final practice on Tuesday, first sitting in the Minnesota State, Mankato stadium to watch a morning walkthrough and then packing bleachers and standing alongside a fence next to the practice fields in the afternoon as the Vikings worked out one more time.

"This place, Mankato, and Minnesota State, have been phenomenal the four years I have been here," Vikings coach Mike Zimmer said. "I know it's been 52 years. I am not quite that old, but it's been a great place. The facilities are fantastic, the fans have been amazing, and I think our players really appreciate, really all of the aspects of it."

The Vikings broke camp to prepare for the preseason opener at Buffalo on Thursday. And while they will assuredly be more comfortable when they hold camp closer to home, they know that a little something will be lost when they head north on Highway 169 with Mankato in their rearview mirror.

"I think all of us will tell you, especially in training camp, when it gets a little monotonous and it's kind of the same thing every day, when we come out here, at least it gives us a little bit of energy and little bit of extra motivation to come out here and play well because they are out here supporting us," Bradford said.

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O le fanau sa latou suia Amerika Samoa i le Junior Golfers Tourna i San Diego, lea ua fiafia fa'atasi mai ma le afioga le Aloali'i Afoa moega Lutu ma le faletua o Etenauga i lena fo'i nofoaga o lo'o faia ai le tauvaga lenei. Ua toeititi toe to'ai taunu'u mai lenei au ta'a'alo.

[ata: foa'i]

Faamanino Ofisa Femalagaaiga pemitā 7 aso

tusia Ausage Fausia

I le fiamalamalama ai o le Fa'amasinoga Maua luga po o ai o lo o i ai le malosi e sainia ai le pemitā e 7 aso mo tagata mai fafo, o le taeao ananafi na manino ai, o le Loia Sili o lo o i ai le malosi e sainia ai le pemitā e 7 aso, lea o lo o mafai ona malaga mai ai au malaga to'atele e fa'afiafia i le fu'a a le atunu'u tausaga ta'itasi.

Na taua e le susuga Paelo Puni, o le Ta'ita'i lea o le Vaega e Su'esu'eina mataupu i le Ofisa o Femalagaaiga e fa'apea, o lo o fa'aauau pea i le taimi nei ona fa'aaoga le pemitā e 7 aso e malaga mai ai au malaga tete'e mai Samoa e fa'afiafia i aso o le fu'a a le atunu'u.

"O le pemitā e 7 aso e pei ona fesiligia, o le isi lea igoa o le pemitā lea e taua o le 'block permit', e fa'apitoa mo au malaga to'atele mai Samoa pe a malaga mai e fa'afiafia i aso fa'amanatu a le atunu'u e pei o le fu'a ia Aperila o tausaga ta'itasi", o le saunoaga lea a Puni.

Na fa'amanino atili e Puni

e fa'apea, o tagata uma lava e malaga mai i le pemitā 7 aso, e tatau ona toe fo'i uma i latou i le taimi e tasi e toe taliu atu ai le au malaga i Samoa, e le tatau ona nofo se isi i le atunu'u, o le mafua'aga fo'i lena e ao uma ai a latou tusi folau ma fa'aputu fa'atasi e le Ofisa, ina ia mautinoa e toe malaga fa'atasi uma i latou i totonu o le 7 aso o lo o malaga mai ai.

"E na o Samoa lava o lo o mafai ona malaga mai i le ituaiga pemitā lea, e fa'apitoa lava mo au malaga to'atele ae le mafai ona malaga mai ai se tagata ma le fa'amoemoe e saili ai sana galuega poo le nofomau i le teritori", o le isi lea saunoaga a Puni.

Na fesiligia e le Samoa News ia Puni po o i ai ni tagata na malaga mai i pemitā ta'i 7 aso o lo o fa'aauau pea ona i ai i le atunu'u, ae na tali le molimau, "E le mafai ona ou tali atu i lena tulaga, ae o le mea moni lava, e le tatau ona i ai se isi e nofo iinei pe afai ae mae'a le 7 aso na malaga mai ai, ae afai sa i ai se mataupu fa'apena i luma o (Fa'aauau itulua 10)

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O le tautoga ua fa’atino e le fanau laititi, 5-7 tausaga le matutua i le polokalama faitau tusi a le Make a Better World i Nuuli sa fa’atino lea e le auuso, Aoelua/Fanene. Fa’afetaia lea fa’atasiga e matua ma aiga sa auai e molimauina le fa’atinoga a le fanau o mea sa latou faia mo le 6 vaiaso.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

► Faamanino

Mai itulau 9
te fa’amasinoga, ou te le mala-
malama lava i le mafua’aga na
tula’i mai ai lena mataupu”.

O le mataupu e fa’ataui i le pemitā e 7 aso na alia’e mai i luma o le fa’amasinoga maua-luga i le aso Faraile o le vaiaso na te’a nei, ina ua tu’uina atu e le fa’amasinoga lana fa’aiuga fa’asaga ia Loimata Mika, o se ali’i e 28 tausaga le matua na ulu-fale mai i le atunuu i le pemitā e 7 aso i le masina o Aperila 2016, ma le fa’amoemoe e sau e saili sana galuega i le teritori, ae fa’afuase’i ai ona a’afia o ia i le tulafono ma fa’asala ai loa i le falepuipui i le vaiaso na te’a nei.

Saunoa le afioga i le Faamasino Sili Michael Kruse e fa’apea, pau lea o le tulaga e alia’e mai pe afai ae ova aso e nofo ai se tasi mai fafo i le atunuu, o le a’afia lea o ia i faiga fa’asolitulafono e pei o Mika, lea na ia ulufale fa’amalosī i totonu o le fale o se aiga i le po ma ia tago atu ai i le ogavao o se tama’ita’i o loo moe i luga o lona moega i totonu o lona potu moe, i le silia ai lea i le 3 masina talu ona nofo fa’asolitulafono o ia i le atunuu.

Na taua e le fa’amasinoga le tatau lea i le malo ona taga’i toto’a i le mataupu o tagata mai fafo e ulufale mai ma nonofo

fa’asolitulafono i le atunuu, ona o le to’atele o i latou nei o lo o tumu ai le falepuipui i Tafuna.

Na taua e le ali’i fa’amasino sili i se tasi o ana saunoaga, o le to’atele o tagata mai fafo o loo ulufale mai i le atunuu ma nonofo faasolitulafono ai lava, e emo ane lava le ata ua a’afia i latou i solitulafono eseese, ae maise lava i solitulafono e fa’ataui i le faia o uiga mataga i fanau laititi.

A o taumafai malosi ai pea le faigamalo e fa’amalosia tula-fono tau femalagaaiga, na taua e le loia sili a le malo ia Talauega Eleasalo Ale le i ai pea lea o tagata ua ova aso i totonu o le atunuu, ma o lo o taumafai malosi fo’i lona Ofisa e saili auala uma e mafai ai ona toe fa’afo’i i latou i o latou atunuu.

Ae na taua e le Ta’ita’ifono a le Komiti Fa’afaoe o Femalagaaiga ia Fanene Edda Wyberski i le Samoa News e fa’apea, ua i ai nei se fuafuaga a le Komiti Fa’afaoe e tu’uina atu sana talosaga i le Loia Sili ma le Ofisa o Femalagaaiga, mo se avanoa e tu’u mai ai le sainia atoa ai ma le fa’amalosia o tula-fono e fa’ataui i le pemitā e 30 aso o lo o ulufale mai ai tagata mai fafo i le atunuu, ina ia mafai ai ona latou fesoasoani i le tau foiaina o le fa’afitauli.

O le fa’afitauli o lo o mai-tauina i le taim inei e pei ona

saunoa Fanene, e le mafai e le loia sili i lona tulaga pisi o lo o i ai ona fa’atinoina uma galuega e tatau ona moomia i le tulaga o le sainia o pemitā, toe fa’atino fo’i ona tiute fa’a loia sili a le malo, ae tatau lava ona i ai se isi vaega e lagolago atu ia te ia i le fa’atinoina o ona tiute.

E le gata i taumafaiga a le Komiti Fa’afaoe e fesoasoani i auala e fa’amalosia ai le tula-fono o le pemitā mo tagata mai fafo, ae ua latou fa’amalosia fo’i le vaega o le tulafono lea e fa’aaoga e pisinisi e aumai ai tagata mai fafo e galulue i le atunuu.

‘Na taua e Fanene le tele o talosaga mai ni isi o pisinisi mo tagata mai fafo e fia aumai e galulue i le atunuu ua latou teena, ona e atagia mai i talosaga sa tu’uina atu i luma o le Komiti, e le o mulimulita’i pisinisi nei i le mafua’aga na ala ai ona fa’avae lea vaega faapitoa o le tulafono, o le aumai lea o tagata mai fafo e i ai le tomā faapitoa e galulue i le atunuu, pe afai e le maua iinei le tomā ma le agava’a o loo moomia.

“O lea taumafaiga ua faia e le Komiti Fa’afaoe, o se auala e fesoasoani ai i le tau fa’aitiitia o le to’atele o tagata Asia ua moli-mauina le lolofi mai i Amerika Samoa”, o le saunoaga lea a Fanene.



O se tasi o sui talavou 5 tausaga le matua sa tu i luma mai o le fu’a a le Malo tele, ma fa’atino le tautoga e fa’ailoa ai le fa’aaloalo i le Malo o lo’o soifua ai. O ia lea sa a’oa’oina i le Polokalama Faitau Tusi a le Aoelua/Fanene Sisters lea na mae’a i le aso Tofi na te’a nei.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

Talosaga Ekalesia Aoa solofua tagi na fa’aulu Rev. Amaama

tusia Ausage Fausia

O le mae’a ai ona faila e le loia a Rev. Amaama Tofaeono o le latou talosaga i le Vaega Iloilo o le Fa’amasinoga Maua-luga a le atunuu, mo se poloaina a le fa’amasinoga e fa’ataunu’u ai se iloilogā atu o le mataupu e pei ona tu’uaia ai i laua ma lona faletua e le Ekalesia Aoa, na faila ai loa e le loia a le Ekalesia Aoa la latou talosaga i le fa’amasinoga mo sana poloaiga e solofua ma fa’aleaogaina ai le talosaga a le itu tete’e. O le ali’i loia ia Toetasi Tuiteleleapaga o lo o fai ma sui o Charles Alailima e tulai mo Rev. Amaama, ae o Gwen Tauiliili-Langkilde o lo o tula’i mo le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina fa’apea ai ma le Ekalesia Faapopotoga Kerisiano i Amerika Samoa (EFKAS). Na taua e le itu a le Ekalesia i le latou talosaga e faapea, e le tatau i le Fa’amasinoga ona latou iloiloina le talosaga a le itu tete’e, mo se avanoa e iloiloina ai le mataupu e fa’ataui i le mafua’aga na aveese ai lona tofi o le Faifeau Fa’au’u, atoa ai ma le tagi lea ua fa’aulu ina ia totogi atu ai e sui o le Ekalesia se vaega tupe e tusa ma le \$4 mil-ionā. E talosaga a le itu tete’e ina ia fa’ataunu’u se iloilogā e fesiligia ai le fa’amaoni o molimau a le Ekalesia ua faia fa’asaga ia te i laua ma lona faletua, o le iloilogā lea sa tatau ona fai muamua e iloilo ai pe fa’amaonia fa’amatalaga ua mafua ai ona fa’amalolo lona tofi faifeau fa’au’u atoa ai ma le tofi o le Failautusi Aoa, peita’i o lea ua muamua fai le iloilogā e fa’atula’i ese ai i laua ma le maota o le Ekalesia.

O le mataupu lenei na tofui atu i le fa’amasinoga, ina ua faila e le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina ma le Ekalesia Aoa la latou tagi fa’asaga ia Rev. Amaama, mo sana poloaiga e fa’atula’i ese ai o ia mai le maota o le Ekalesia, ona e talitonu le Ekalesia, talu ai ua le toe avea o ia ma Failautusi Aoa o le Ekalesia, e le tatau fo’i la ona toe nofo o ia i le maota o le Ekalesia.

O sui o le Ekalesia Aoa sa latou fa’auluina le tagi fa’asaga ia Rev. Amaama ma lona faletua ia Joan Aleluia e aofia ai le Ta’ita’ifono o le Ekalesia Aoa ia Rev. Elder Eveni Mamoe, sui ta’ita’ifono ia Rev. Elder Fiti Aofia, Failautusi o le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina ia Leatulagi Fa’alevao, faapea ai ma le Lau-lauafono a le Ekalesia Aoa.

O lo o taua i le talosaga a le Ekalesia le leai o se malosi o le fa’amasinoga latou te iloiloina ai le talosaga a Rev. Amaama.

Na siitia e le Ekalesia i lana talosaga vaega fa’avae o lo o fa’aaogaina e le malo tele, e puipuia ai aia saoloto o tapuaiga mai le oo atu i ai o le malosi a le malo ma le fa’amasinoga, ae tu’u atu ai lava tapuaiga latou te

faia fa’aiuga ma ana filifiliga.

E talitonu le Ekalesia Aoa, o faiga fa’avae ia e tatau ona apalai i le mataupu o lo o finauina i le va o le Ekalesia ma Rev. Amaama, ona e i ai mataupu ma fa’amaumaga ma’ale’ale e fitoitonu lava i le Ekalesia e le tatau i le fa’amasinoga ona oo i ai lona malosi pe iloiloina fo’i.

O isi fo’i tulaga na si’itia e le Ekalesia Aoa i lana fa’afinauga e lagolagoina ai lana talosaga, o le aia o lo o i ai i le Ekalesia e filifili ai ana faifeau e aunoa ma le aiaina e le malo.

O ni isi o mataupu ua mae’a ona faia i ai faaiuga a le fa’amasinoga i totonu o le malo tele, na si’itia e le Ekalesia Aoa e lagolago atili ai lana talosaga e aofia ai le mataupu i le va o “Rayburn vs Gen. Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists”, ma le mataupu i le va o le “Persetene Ekalesia LDS vs Amos”.

Finau atili le Ekalesia e faapea, o le talosaga a le itu tete’e mo se poloaiga e faia ai se iloilogā faapitoa i le mataupu ua mafua ai ona fa’amalolo o ia mai le tofi o le Failautusi Aoa, o se tulaga o le a le o gatasi ma ta’iala atoa ai ma faiga fa’avae a le Ekalesia, ma oo i le tulaga e ono fa’alauiloa atu ai fa’amatalaga uma e na o le Ekalesia lava e patino ai.

I le fa’afinauga a le itu tete’e ina ia fa’amanino e le itu tagi mafua’aga fa’avae na ala ai ona aveese lona tofi Failautusi Aoa, e talitonu le itu tagi ua mae’a ona latou fa’ailoa i le ulua’i iloilogā tulaga uma na fa’avae ai le faaiuga fa’asaga ia Rev. Amaama.

I le faafinauga e fa’ataui ia Rev. Amaama, o ia o le tagata faigaluega a le Ekalesia Aoa, e talitonu le itu tagi, e leai se vaega o le latou fa’afinauga e lagolagoina ai lea tulaga, se’i vagana ai le filifiliga o ia e avea ma Failautusi Aoa e le Ekalesia Aoa, e aunoa ma le fa’ailoaina mai o tuutuuga poo le umi o lana konekarate.

O le finauga a le itu tete’e e fa’asaga i le ta’uvalea atoa ai ma le maasiasi ua a’afia ai o ia ma lona aiga ona o fa’amatalaga le sa’o ua fa’asalalau e le Ekalesia, e talitonu le itu tagi e le lava ia fa’afinauga e tatau ai ona talia e le fa’amasinoga lana talosaga.

Ona o tulaga uma e pei ona taua i le talosaga a le itu tagi, ua talosagaina ai loa le fa’amasinoga ina ia fa’aleaoga le talosaga a le itu tete’e mo le faia o se iloilogā atu e uiga i lenei mataupu, atoa ai ma le tagi ua faia fa’asaga i Ta’ita’i o le Ekalesia. E talitonu le itu tagi sa talafeagai le fa’aiuga e fa’amalolo ai Rev. Amaama mai le tofiga o le Failautusi Aoa, o lo o i ai fo’i i le Komiti a le Au Toeaiina le malosi e fa’amalolo ai lona tofi faifeau fa’au’u, lea ua mafua ai ona malolo o ia mai lona tofiga o le Failautusi Aoa.





Le fanau e i le va o le 8-12 tausaga le matutua i le taimi o le Tautoga i le Malo Tele ma le Malo o Amerika Samoa i le po na fa’ai’u ai le latou polokalama Faitau Tusi sa tapena e le Auuso Aoelua/Fanene i Nuuuli.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

Falepuipui Grandmother na ia sasa Onosa’i I Mea Tiga fa’amo’amo’a lana granddaughter

tusia Ausage Fausia

O le Tina matua mai le afioaga o Afono lea na tu’uaia i lona fa’aaoga o se oga paipa uga (PVP), e fa’ao’o ai manu’a i le tino o lana granddaughter e 11 tausaga le matua, ua poloaina e le Fa’amasinoga Fa’aitumalo le taofia o ia i le toese mo le umi e 120 aso, o se tasi lea o tuutuuga o lana nofovaavaaia e 24 masina.

O le solitulafono o le fa’aolima i le tulaga tolu, o se solitulafono A lea i le fa’atulagaina o le solitulafono mama, e mafai ona fa’asala ai se tasi i le toese mo le umi e le silia i le tasi le tausaga, pe fa’asala fo’i i le salatupe e le silia i le \$1,000, pe fa’asala fo’i i fa’asalaga uma ia e lua.

I lalo o le maliliea na sainia e Upu Togia ma le malo lea fo’i na talia e le fa’amasinoga, e tali ioe o ia i le moliaga mama o le fa’ao’olima i le tulaga tolu, ae solofua le moliaga mama o le fa’atupu vevesi i totonu o lona aiga o lo o totoe ai i le pepa o le tagi sa fa’aulu e le malo.

O le fa’alavelave e pei ona ta’usala ai e le fa’amasinoga ia Togia, na tula’i mai i le aso 19 Iuni o le tausaga nei, ina ua ripoti e se aiga tuai i Leoleo manu’a sa a’afia ai le tino o le teineititi na a’afia, ma mafua ai loa ona tofu atu lenei mataupu i le Ofisa o Leoleo.

Na taua i fa’amaumauga a le fa’amasinoga le fa’aaoga e le ua molia o se fasi paipa uga ‘pvc’ e sasa ai le tino o lona granddaughter ma i’u ina o o ai manu’a i lona tino, e pei o le uga’oa o lona tino fa’apea ai ma se ta’e i lona ulu.

Na fa’aילו e Togia i Leoleo le mafua’aga atoa na mafua ai ona ia fa’ao’olima i lona granddaughter, o lona taumafai lea e a’oa’o ma fa’atonu o ia ina ia usita’i ma fa’alogo.

Na talosaga loa ia itu e lua i le fa’amasinoga mo se fa’asalaga fa’anofovaavaaia mo le ua molia, e aofia ai le auai o ia i aoga fa’a faufautua ina ia fesoasoani ai i le tulaga o le ita o lo o a’afia ai o ia.

Sa talosagina fo’i lana loa fautua ia Kate Hannaher mo se avanoa e fa’aaoga ai e le fa’amasinoga le umi lea na taofia ai Togia i le toese e fai ma ana fa’asalaga, ae aua ne’i toe tu’uina atu se isi fa’asalaga fa’a falepuipui faaopopo mo ia.

A o le i tu’uina atu e le afioga i le ali’i Fa’amasino ia Fiti Sunia lana fa’aiuga faasaga ia Togia, e tele ni isi o vaega sa naunau le Fa’amasinoga e fiamalamalama i ai, e le gata o le aofa’i o tagata o lo o nonofo fa’atasi ma Togia i lona aiga, ae o le a fo’i le tulaga ua oo i le teineititi na a’afia i lenei fa’alavelave.

O le ripoti mai le Ofisa o Auaunaga ma Tautua Lautele a le malo, lea na fa’aleo e le loaia a le malo

i luma o le fa’amasinoga i le taeao ananafi, o lo o taua ai le tulaga lea, e to’a 6 isi tamaiti laiti o lo o i ai fa’atasi i le fale lea o lo o nonofo ai le ua molia ma lona aiga, ae o lona granddaughter na a’afia o lo o i ai pea o ia i lalo o le vaavaaiga a le Ofisa o Auaunaga ma Tautua Lautele, e fa’atali ai le taimi e malaga fa’atasi atu ai ma ona matua i Samoa e nonofo ma fa’amautu ai.

Na taua e Sunia le maofa o le fa’amasinoga i le tulaga sa i ai manu’a na a’afia ai le teineititi na a’afia, ona e atagia mai i ripoti ma fa’amaumauga ua maua e le fa’amasinoga, e le gata sa matua fasi lava e le ua molia o ia, ae o se gaioiga sa fa’aauau pea ona ia faia i se taimi umi.

I le mamao o le nofoaga e i ai le afioaga i Afono, e a’e i mauga ma mamao ese atu mai le vaega o lo o i ai le to’atele o tagata, e talitonu le fa’amasinoga o le isi lea mafua’aga e faigata ai ona iloa e Leoleo ma Ofisa a le malo o lo o fa’amalosia tulafono tulaga o mataupu fa’apenei e a’afia ai fanau laiti.

“Ona o ripoti e pei ona taua, e manatu ai le fa’amasinoga o le amio a le ua molia ua fa’atele ona tupu ae le i iloa lava e le malo”, o le saunoaga lea a Sunia.

“E leai ma se isi o tamaiti o lo o nonofo fa’atasi ma le ua molia na ia fa’aילוaina i Leoleo se fa’amatalaga e uiga i lenei mataupu, se’i vagana ai le aiga tuaoi na ia logoina Leoleo e uiga i manu’a na a’afia ai le teineititi na a’afia”.

“O lau gaioiga sa fai i lau granddaughter e le taliaina e le fa’amasinoga. E leai se tamaititi e tatau ona faia i ai nei ituiga sauaga. Ua uma le vaitaimi o le salu lima, e le taliaina le fa’aaoga o le paipa PVP. E le o se a’oa’i lau gaioiga sa faia, ae sa matua e sasa lava ma fa’atigaina o ia”.

E 12 masina na manatu le fa’amasinoga e fa’asala ai Togia i le toese, peita’i ua fa’amalumalu lona tuliina o lea fa’asalaga, ae ua fa’anofovaavaaia o ia mo le 24 masina i lalo o poloaiga e ao ona ia usita’i i ai.

O ni isi o ia poloaiga e aofia ai lona tuliina o aso e 120 i le toese, e aofia ai aso e 51 lea na taofia ai o ia i le toese e fa’atali ai le aso e lau ai lana fa’asalaga. Fa’asa ona ia toe soli se tulafono a le malo, a ia avea o ia ma tagata e tausisi i tulafono uma.

Ua poloaina lona auai i ni aoaoga e fesoasoai ai i le ita, ua fa’asa fo’i ona ia tausia fanau a lana fanau i soo se taimi. “Afai e te le usitaia se poloaiga o poloaiga uma ua tu’u atu e le fa’amasinoga, o le a poloaina loa oe e te tuliina masina o lo o totoe o lau fa’asalaga fa’a falepuipui e 12 masina o lo o fa’amalumalu e le fa’amasinoga”, o le lapataiga mulimuli lea a le fa’amasinoga mo Togia.

Tusia: Akenese Ilalio Zec
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Alo maia, o le a toe fa’aauau atu la tatou tala mo lenei aso, ae ia manuia lou alo atu i feau ma galuega o lenei aso.

Na muta mai la tatou tala, ina ua tapena nei le malaga a le tamaloa Palagi o Roger, o le to’alua lea o Filipina e toe fo’i mai i Samoa e va’ai po’o a mai Filipina. Ae se i o tatou liliu atu i a Mataniufeagaimaleata ma lona to’alua Palagi o William.

Fai mai, o se fiasiaga sili i le tamaloa o Viliamu, le va’ai atu i si ona atali’i, aua ua ola Mataniu, ma o le tama lana tama. O se fiasiaga sili fo’i lea mo Lilo ma Loleta, aua ua va’ai nei i se tama a se la tama ua fanau mai. Fai mai le tala, e tau le maua e Mataniu ma lona to’alua le la tama, aua e taofiofi e Loleta ma Lilo i lo la fale. O le tele fo’i o taimi, e te’i lava Mataniu ua o’o atu nai ona mauta, e tasi lava le tala a Loleta ma Lilo, ona fai lea e Mataniu.

Fai main a tau feoa’i ai lima o Mataniu i mata o si tamaloa Palagi, ina ua tomumu nei Viliamu i le ave so’o e ona matua o le la tama. “Viliamu, e le o avea i se toga vao, o lo’o ave e o’u matua, ae e te tago la e va’ai, o le na fo’i e te faigaluega oe, o lea fo’i e feagai a’u ma mea e tele, “Afai la o lou mana’oga le na ia fa’afaigaluega se tama’ita’i e tausia le tama, pe a fai o le mea le na e te mana’o ai, ae ou te le mana’o i se teine tausii tama, e leai, leai lava Viliamu, o lona uiga e su’e ane ua lua sosola ma le teine tausii tama ae tia’i a’u.”

Fai mai, a fai tala ia a Mataniu, na o le ‘ata o lona to’alua ma tilotilo ane i le teine.

i le va’ai a Viliamu i a Mataniu, fai mai, e le suia lava foliga o le tama’ita’i, ai ona o le gaoioi o Mataniu i le tele o mea e fai o le faleoloa ma isi fo’i pisinisi ua va’ai nei e le teine.

Ua lelei lava pisinisi a Mataniu ma lona to’alua, e le gata i lea, ae o le faleoloa o Mary’s Family Mart, lea o lo’o va’aia e Filipina ma le afafine la’ititi o Vesi ia po’o le tama teine a lona uso o Luisa.

Fai mai, e ‘ese fo’i le masau o le penitala a le tama’ita’i o Samalaulu, e fai fai fo’i tau nenefu le fai’ai o Filipina, e tatope lava e Samalaulu mea uma. A o’o ane la Mataniu e asi ane Filipina ma Samalaulu, fai mai, e taunu’u ane Mataniu, ua uma ona fa’avaesega uma e Samala’ulu mea uma o le faleoloa. O le aofaiga o le tupe na maua i le vaiaso, ae maise fo’i o tupe ua toe fa’aalu e fa’atau mai ai isi mea o le faleoloa.

E le gata fo’i i lea, a’o aitalafu fo’i a tagata o lo’o fai pea i le faleoloa, e uma ona fa’apaleni uma e Samala’ulu.

Fai mai le tala, a o’o ane nai tagata o le nu’u i a latou aitalafu, e muamua ‘otegia e Samala’ulu, fa’atoa avea ai lea o mea.

Na i’u lava ina o’o ane tagata ia Filipina ma fai i ai e uiga i a Samala’ulu. Pau le tala a le teine, “Va’ai outou, ana o se faleoloa o se Kolea, e le taitai lava tou o i ai, aua fo’i e le mafai ai ni aitalafu, a’o lea tou te o mai ma fai aitalafu i le faleoloa lenei, o lea la, tau polili teuteu mai, polili teuteu mai tatou, totogi a outou aitalafu i aso e maua ai a outou siaki, aua e fai fo’i o le avatu, a’o le au mai.”

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TALA I VAIFANUA

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TULAGA O PEMITA ULUFALE AI TURISI I AMERIKA SAMOA

O Aukuso 2 na fono ai le Loia Sili Talauega Eliasalo Ale ma sui o pisinisi e tautuaina tagata femalaga'i i le va o Amerika Samoa isi atunu'u. Na auai fa'atasi ai ma sui o kamupani tusi pasese mo tagata femalaga'i, ina ia mua'i fa'aילו se ala fou o le a fa'aaogaina, tau le taua'aoina o pemita e ulufale mai ai tagata i Amerika Samoa.

O lenei faiga fou, o le a fesoasoani tele i le fa'ateleina o tagata e fia ulufale mai e maimoa ma tafafao i le tatou atunuu.

E ese mai lea, o le a toe tautalagia ai le taua tele ona malamalama lelei o sui faipisinisi e tautuaina tagata ulufale mai i Amerika Samoa i ituaiga omiga e a'afia ai le malo.

Sa fa'amalamalama e Talauega le taua o le faiva ua toina atu ia i latou e faia, atoa ai ma le mafuaga ua manatu ai le Malo e fa'atulaga aiaiga o le taua'ao atu pemita e ulufale mai ai tagata i Amerika Samoa.

Sa fa'amalamalama auiliili fo'i tulafono tau femalaga'iga i le va o Amerika Samoa ma isi atunuu, o le ala e fa'atino ai le tautua ma le fa'amalosiga o tulafono nei atoa ai ma le fa'aילו o le mafuaga e ulufale mai ai se sui. Ina ua fa'afogaina e sui na auai nei mea uma, sa avea ma se mataupu na fa'aali taofi i ai le to'atele ina ia tamau ua malamalama i latou i lea faiva, ma ona a'afiaga i le sui o ulufale asiasi mai.

O manatu na fa'aalia e sui auai, ua avea ma mau aoga mo le Loia Sili ina ia toe taga'i toto'a i ala e tatau lava ona tapena i ai lana matagaluega ina ia le avea nei pemita ma ala e taofiofia ai le ulufale mai o tagata e tafafao, ae ia avea ma una'iga malosi o le fia ulufale mai o tagata.

Ua galulue nei le Loia Sili ma le Ofisa o Femalaga'iga i le fa'atulagana o pemita e talosagaina mai i luga o laina o feso'ota'iga tau Initeneti. O lea auala ua fa'afaigofie ai ona talosagaina mai pemita e ulufale mai ai i Amerika Samoa.

O lo'o fuafua e tatau ona amatalia lea tautua fou mo pemita i le fa'aiuga o lenei tausaga.

Peita'i, a'o tau aga'i atu lava ina mae'a le gaioiga taua, ua fa'aילו mai e faia lava fonotaga ma le Ofisa o Turisi ma tagata faigaleuga i Kamupani Totogi Pasese o tagata femalaga'i ae maise o kamupani va'alele i le atunu'u, ina ia maua lava le tulaga feutaga'i i mea e lelei atili ai le taumafaiga fou.

KAMUPANI FA'AMAMA, FA'AAOGA SUA O LE MOLI

Ua i ai nei le isi ituaiga o vaila'au kiligi fale, meafale ma so'o se ituaiga o mea e fia fa'amama ua maua i le atunu'u, ua fa'aogaina o le "Citrus Clean" po'o le "Sua Moli Fa'amama".

O lea ituaiga ua gaosia mai Hawaii ma ua faapea fo'i ona matagofie ma felesi le manogi mama e maua ai, pe a o'o ina fa'aaogaina i mea uma i totonu o lou maota po'o fale nofo.

Ua fa'atulaga mai lona fa'aaogaina, aua ua auina mai lea fa'amama "Sua Moli" i fagu tetele ta'i kalone ae ao ina suia ona fa'ato'a fa'aaogaina lea.

Ua i ai fo'i le tusi taulima ina ia matua fa'autagiaina e le mamalu lautele lona suiga ma lona fa'aaogaina.

Ua aoga mo le fufuluina o ogaumu ma so'o se mea i totonu o lou umukuka papalagi, po'o ulo ma fata ipu totonu o kapoti e teu ai ipu atoa fo'i ma mea fai BBQ, peita'i, ua eseese lona suiga.

E fa'aaoga mo le fufuluina o fa'amalama, ave'esee le ga'o mai le tele o mea e to'a ai, fata ma ogaumu kuka mea'ai, ula ma mea e fa'aaoga mo le gaosia o mea taumafa.

E fufulu ai fo'i asoa auro moni, siliva ma so'o se ituaiga kapoti ma mea ta'alo a le fanau iti, nofoa o ta'avale, ma le ta'avale atoa ma faleta'ele

uma lava.

E ao ina fa'autagia le suiga ua fa'atulaga mo le fufuluina o mea taitasi, aua ua mae'a lomina le pepa fa'aילו taulima lea, i le gagana Peretania ma le gagana Samoa.

O lenei oloa fa'amama taua tele, ua mae'a pasia lelei e le USDA mo le fa'aaogaina i totonu o maota ma nofoaga e fa'aaogaina e tagata lautele o le Iunaite Setete ma ona Teritori.

Ua mae'a fo'i ona fa'alauiloa, o se vai fa'amama e matua manogi lelei e maua ai e tagata uma le malosi ae le niniva ai se tasi.

O le suamoli e aumaia ai le lagona fiafia i so'o se tasi ma fa'aosofia ai le fia taumafa.

O nisi na o fa'amatalaga ua fa'amamafaina i fa'asalalauga fa'alau'itele i totonu o Hawaii ma si setete atoa ai ma i tatou i Amerika Samoa, aua o lea ua mafuli ofisa Autu o le Malo i Utulei, e fa'aaoga lea ituaiga o fa'amama i latou ofisa ma faleta'ele uma.

O le tulaga o feso'ota'i lelei lea ituaiga o suamoli fa'amama ma le siomaga fa'anatura o so'o se atunu'u, o le isi lea mafuaga ua fuli ai le tele o faletupe ma ofisa tumaoti e fa'aaoga lea ituaiga o fa'amama mo latou Ofisa autu i le tatou malo nei.

"Ua ta'uta'ua lava lenei fa'amama i Hawaii, aua o le latou oloa gaosi, ma ua fa'apena fo'i ona tele lona auina atu i fafo i ala fefa'ataua'iga i luga o le initeneti ma faleoloa fo'i," o se tala lea a le ali'i ua avea lea fa'amama ma auga o lana tautua lautele i le atunu'u, Lee O'Brien.

Pe afai e mo'omia ona faia se folasaga ina ia fa'aaogaina ai lea Suamoli Fa'amama lea mai Hawaii, feso'ota'iga O'Brien i le numera telefoni : 684-256-5611 po'o le 256-9173. Mo oka mai luga o feso'ota'iga tau Imeli tuatusi: national-cleaningcompany@yahoo.com.

TAUVA 'AU FOOTBALL ST. JOSEPH I LAKAPI FA'A-AMERIKA

Ua fa'aילו mai, sa malaga se 'au ta'a'alo Football a Tafuna High mai Amerika Samoa mo se ta'aloga faitaulia ma le 'au Football a St Joseph's College, i Samoa, ma ua si'itia fo'i le atamai o fanau i Samoa e tauva i lakapi fa'a-Amerika po'o le Football.

I le ta'aloga muamua na fetau ai ma Tafuna ia Iulai 3, ua faia le fa'aiuga o le a asiasi mai lea au a St Joseph i le teritori mo se latou ta'aloga iinei ma isi a'oga maua luga.

"Ua ou manao ia fa'aaoga le taleni lea ua maua nei e le fanau o lo'o ta'a'alo i le matou 'au football, ma ia saga fa'aleleia atili," o se tala lea a le ali'i faia'oga Football a St Joseph, Agatupu Lefao.

E ui la ina sa faia'ina i latou i le ta'aloga faitaulia lea, ae ua fa'aילו mai e Lefao, "Na ou fiafia tele i le faia'ina o la'u 'au, aua o lo'o i ai le avanoa tele lava e fa'aleleia atili ai le latou tomai! O le tele fo'i o latou ta'aloga e fetau ai ma isi 'au, o le fa'aleleia fo'i lea o le latou ta'a'alo i le lumana'i o lea ta'aloga i Samoa."

O lona manatu fa'aalia lea e ala i le ala o feso'ota'iga i le facebook.

"O le mea sili, ua maua matou sikoa, toe lelei fo'i ua mafai e matou tama ta'a'alo ona fa'asalavei le polo, o se mea ese lea i le lagona o le fanau ta'a'alo, e gafatia e i matou ona fa'aleleia a matou puipuiga ma le osofa'i o le ta'aloga lea. Ua naunau fo'i le fanau e ta'a'alo fa'atauva e atia'e ai le latou tomai e ta'a'alo," o se tala fiafia lea a Lefao.

O le sikoa o le ta'aloga e 26-40 lea na malo ai Tafuna High.

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ACROSS

- 1 A few
5 Language of Cardiff
10 Greek cheese
14 Black, in romantic poetry
15 Susan Lucci's soap role
16 "American ____" (singing competition)
17 Where farmers check their stocks?
20 Choir voice
21 Wreaths of old
22 Thanksgiving staples
25 Scissors sound effect
26 Gym floor covering
29 Scottish hats
31 "About time!"
35 Wedding words
36 Rubber-stamps
38 "Do ____ others ..."
39 Farmer's "Keep things the way they are?"
43 Copycat
44 2000 presidential candidate Alan
45 Color changer
46 Removes, as a coat of paint
49 Thin piece of wood

- 50 Suffix with "count"
51 Kenneth of fashion
53 Brainstorming result
55 Havens or sanctuaries
58 Delete
62 10 laws handed down in the coop?
65 Type of presentation or surgeon
66 1/100th of a pound
67 Tide variety
68 Ignoramus
69 Harsh or rigid
70 Twisted to one side

DOWN

- 1 Religious offshoot
2 Certain woodwind
3 Cut, as grass
4 "Bon appetit!"
5 Common cyst
6 "Present!" to a Cockney
7 One of the animated Simpsons
8 Does a grocery checkout chore
9 Big city in Cuba
10 Hydrant
11 Cheesy Dutch import
12 Apparel, old-school
13 Beer variety

- 18 Keynote deliverer
19 Prepare a crossword for publishing
23 Powerful shark
24 Buss relative
26 Man with the golden touch
27 Ratify
28 Stuff in copy machines
30 Wanda of TV and film
32 "+" pole
33 Doesn't leave
34 Large bags
37 Turntable needles
40 First vehicle for many
41 Be in charge of, as a committee
42 Admire
47 Sport played with mallets

- 48 Long periods of hitlessness
52 Ant, if you're fancy
54 Place to see the Ice Capades
55 Prefix with "dynamics"
56 Fastener for a windbreaker
57 Not needing a commitment?
59 "... feel like ____ man"
60 Lead role actress
61 Lay eyes on from a distance
62 Bearer of bricks
63 Computer co.
64 Scouting unit

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Happy Birthday: Shake things up a bit. A change will do you good. Look for new activities, projects and people to share new interests with. Expand your mind and bring new energy to the skills, services and attributes you have to offer. Create new goals and embrace new beginnings. Don't be afraid to do things differently. Stand out and make an impression. Your numbers are 4, 11, 17, 21, 28, 33, 48.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Business and personal relationships should be handled carefully. You should aim to please, but not at the expense of giving up what's important to you. Serious discussions will help you come to a solution as well as a decision. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take heed of what's going on around you. Don't feel compelled to keep up with someone who is recklessly plunging into unknown territory. It's best to play it safe than to end up being sorry. Do your own thing****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Physical activity will help ease stress. Don't give anyone the benefit of the doubt. If something doesn't add up, move on. Protect your emotions, your personal information and your reputation. Size things up and act accordingly. Home improvements are featured.**

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Physical and mental improvements will result in greater confidence and an emotional revelation that will help you make a decision about a partnership you are considering. Live within your means and avoid people who are a poor influence. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): An open mind will lead to positive changes. Create an opportunity to learn or to discover, and develop skills that will help you raise your income. Don't buy into someone else's plan when you should be investing in your own. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll be drawn into a situation at home if you or someone close to you is too demanding. Search for a way to please everyone. Sticking to a budget may be tough, but with a little ingenuity, good results will unfold.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Emotional matters will not be easy to conceal. Getting to the bottom of a situation will require trust and honesty. Be direct, but don't share personal information regarding your passwords, finances or assets. Find out where you stand first.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Use your intelligence and common sense to navigate your way through any troubles that arise. An emotional plea will help you gain trust as well as favors from people you have associated with in the past. Reveal your feelings. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emotions will interfere with your sense of clarity. Focus inward and concentrate on what you can do to improve your skills, knowledge and your position. Rely on your ability to gather information and tune out anyone who tries to manipulate you**

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Personal money matters, health issues and settlements will be masked with innuendoes that have no merit. Do your due diligence to ensure that you are not fleeced by someone who tries to take advantage of you. Protect your reputation and your assets****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't give in to temptation or someone trying to persuade you to buy into a product or service that promises unlikely results. Trust in yourself when dealing with personal matters concerning a child or parent.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Confusion and uncertainty revolving around important relationships can be expected. Setbacks regarding travel or communication can be expected. Offer honesty in regard to how you feel and what you want to see happen. ***



Dear Abby
by Abigail Van Buren

WOMAN'S DANGEROUS DATING HABITS FRIGHTEN HER FRIEND

DEAR ABBY: I'm worried about a close friend I have known for about 10 years. She's well-educated, independent and family-oriented. She has been online dating for quite a while and continually meets guys who have criminal backgrounds. She dated one of them on the down low for two years because she was embarrassed by how he behaved in public. The most recent man served a 16-year prison sentence for being involved in a murder.

She tells me she doesn't see a future with any of them, but goes on multiple dates and defends them with, "He seems like a nice guy." In the next breath, she'll claim to want a steady and meaningful relationship. I have voiced my concerns. I asked her what she'd say to me if the tables were turned, and her responses mimic the concern I show her. I suggested she try a different website or mode of meeting potential partners, but it hasn't made a difference.

I believe in second chances up to a point, but now I'm genuinely worried for her safety. Is there anything else I can do to convince her to have safer boundaries? -- CONCERNED ABOUT CRIMINALS

DEAR CONCERNED: No, you have done enough. Until your friend admits to herself that she's fishing for trout in the wrong stream, she'll continue to reel in sharks.

DEAR ABBY: Is it normal for men to sulk or get angry when they don't get sex when they want it? I've been married to my husband for more than 30 years. I run several miles a day and, with all the work I do, I don't always feel like having sex. Lately, I have been under a lot of stress, so I haven't been in the mood. The other night, he did his usual sulking. Then, as he often does, he tossed about in bed, repeatedly and roughly, while we're trying to sleep. The whole bed shook. Another night, he stuck his elbow in my ribs to be sure he got my attention.

Sometimes he'll grab my butt really hard while I'm trying to sleep -- in the middle of the night, mind you. I end up having sex with him so he leaves me alone and I can sleep.

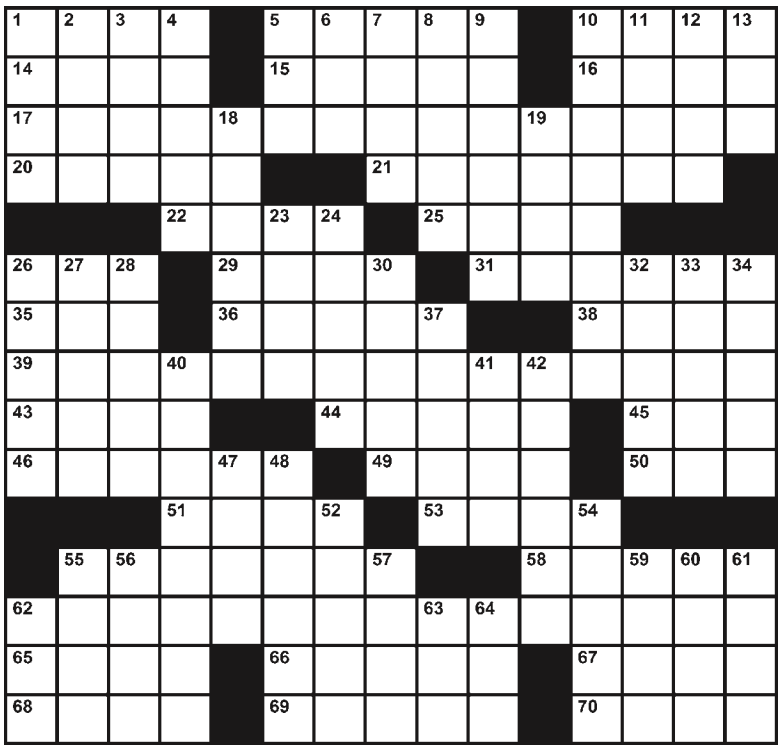
I have tried sleeping in another bed. But then he comes to that room and repeatedly kicks the mattress. If I lock the door, he kicks the door. So, I have sex with him so I can live in peace. Do most men do this when they don't get sex as often as they like? -- SPOUSE SULKING IN THE NORTH

DEAR SPOUSE: You have tolerated this for 30 years? What you have described is spousal abuse. Most men do not behave the way your husband does, bullying and coercing their wives into marital relations. Please discuss this with a licensed mental health professional. His behavior is off the charts, and you need more help than I can give you in a letter.

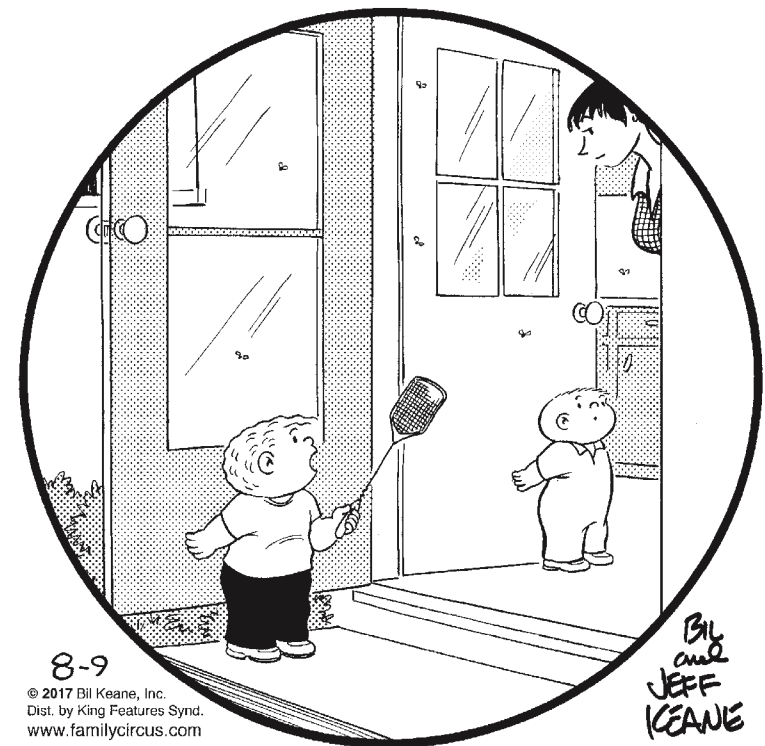
DEAR ABBY: I have a question. If you are traveling with a group of friends on a plane, is it rude for one couple to upgrade to first class? This was a group trip traveling to go on a cruise together. -- JUST WONDERING IN FLORIDA

DEAR JUST WONDERING: I wouldn't call it a breach of etiquette. However, it's less than an expression of solidarity with the friends who are sitting in the back. Personally, I think it sends a wrong message and could cause resentment unless there's a practical reason the couple needs the extra space -- long legs, a bad back, a weight problem, etc.

8/9 FARMING IS MY LIFE By Timothy E. Parker




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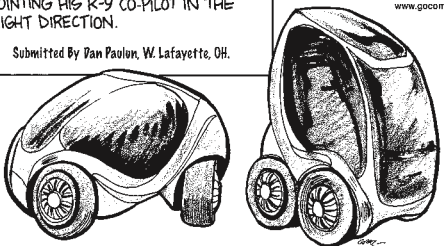
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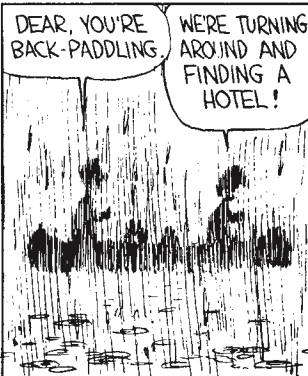
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YOU KNOW WHAT I HEARD?



I HEARD THAT YOU HAD LUNCH WITH THREE AIRLINE STEWARDESSES

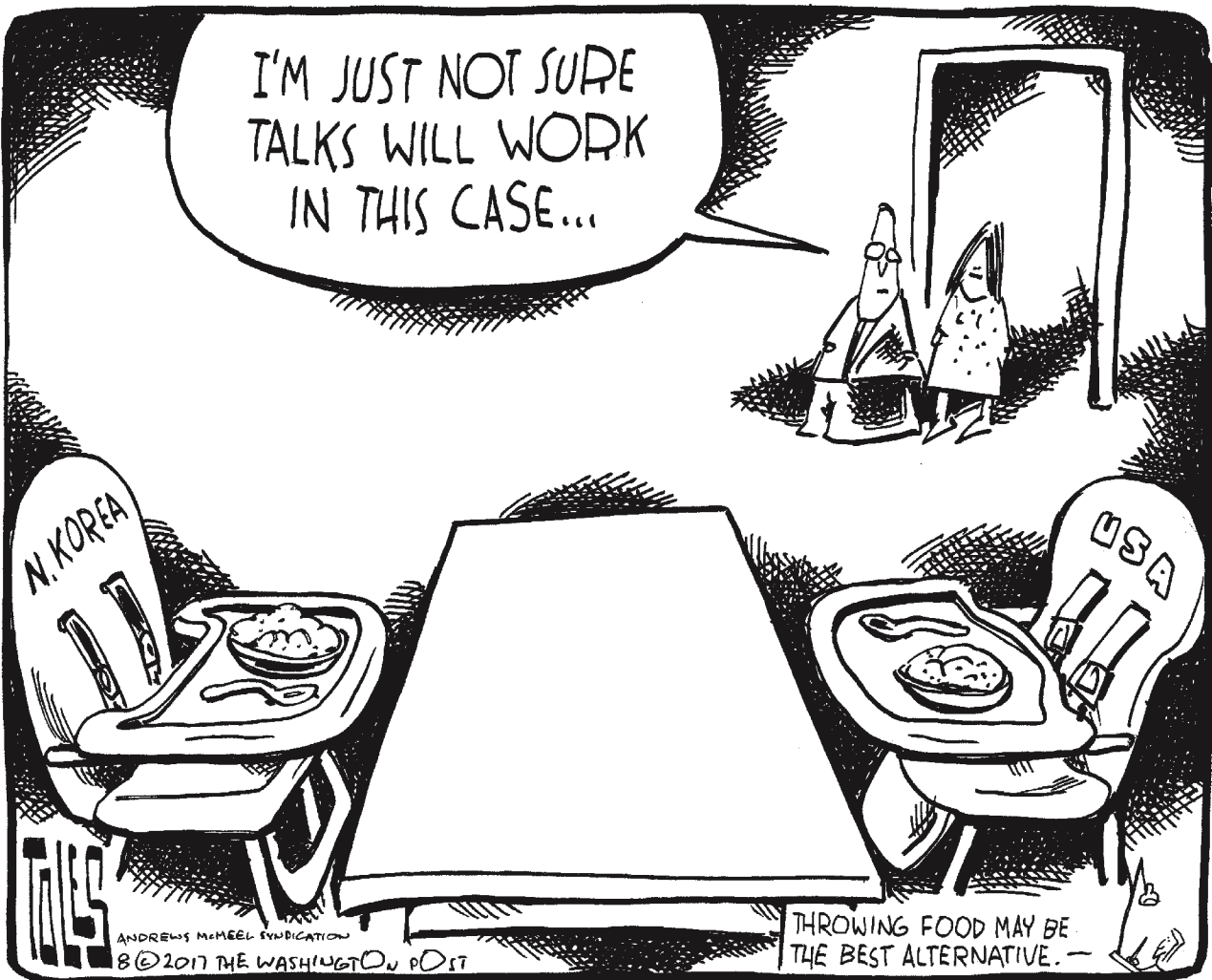


YOU HEARD RIGHT, SWEETIE

SMACK!



HAVING LUNCH WITH THREE AIRLINE STEWARDESSES PUTS YOU IN A GOOD MOOD..



I'M JUST NOT SURE TALKS WILL WORK IN THIS CASE...

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HA! IT SAYS HERE THAT AFTER YEARS OF LIVING TOGETHER, PETS BEGIN TO RESEMBLE THEIR OWNERS!

Tom Wilson

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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8/9 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

Hagar the Horrible®

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DON'T MIND HER...

SHE USED TO BE MARRIED TO A LION TAMER!

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HOT HOSE WATER

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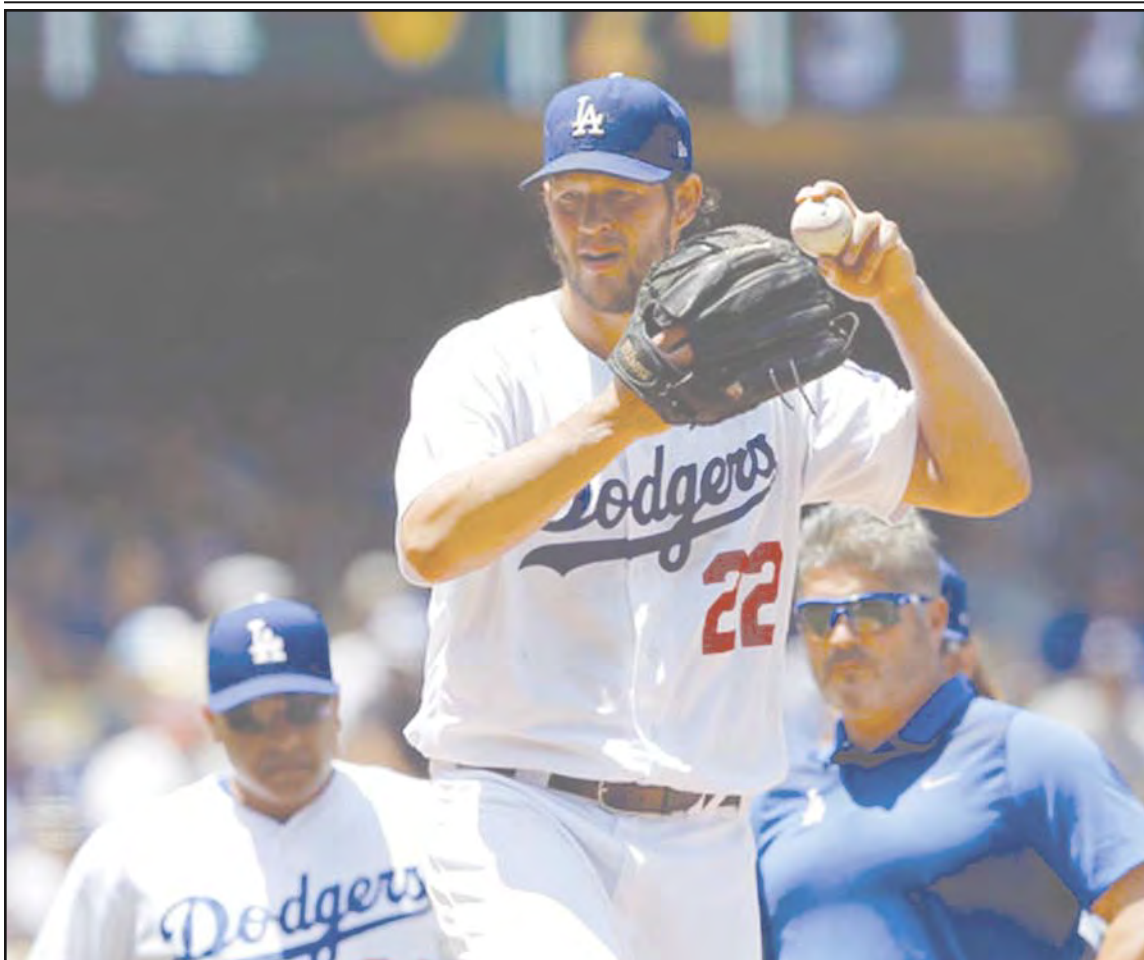
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Tuesday's Puzzle Answer

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Los Angeles Dodgers starting pitcher Clayton Kershaw, center, checks on his ability to continue to pitch, with manager Dave Roberts, left, and trainer Nathan Lucero watching during the second inning of a baseball game against the Atlanta Braves in Los Angeles, Sunday, July 23, 2017. Kershaw continued to pitch and completed the second inning, but did not return for the third inning.

(AP Photo/Alex Gallardo)

Kershaw throws on flat ground, bullpen likely by weekend

PHOENIX (AP) — Clayton Kershaw threw aggressively off flat ground on Tuesday but Los Angeles manager Dave Roberts says the team will take a cautious approach to the Dodgers' ace's return to the rotation.

Roberts said Kershaw "stretched out a little bit" with his throwing at Chase Field before Tuesday night's game against the Arizona Diamondbacks and will do the same on Wednesday.

"I think that a bullpen in the next few days makes sense," Roberts said. "It will probably be when we get back home" for a weekend series against San Diego.

Kershaw has been sidelined with a back injury since July 23.

Roberts said there is no timetable for the left-hander's return and said the two have talked

about Kershaw needing four or five starts to be ready for the postseason.

“He’s close,” Roberts said. “I think it just makes sense for us to be cautious. We just don’t want to put ourselves in any situation where there’s a setback. The calendar’s on our side. I know that Clayton resists that. But I think as an organization it’s best for him and best for all of us to err on the side of caution.” The Dodgers have been doing just fine without their ace, going 11-1 since Kershaw left early in his start against Atlanta. Overall, Los Angeles has won a phenomenal 44 of its last 51, the best 51-game stretch in the majors since the 1912 New York Giants.

The Dodgers' 79-32 record is the best in baseball and the best record in the National League through 111 games since the 1944 St. Louis Cardinals.

Their wide lead, along with the acquisition of Yu Darvish, gives the Dodgers the opportunity to take it easy with Kershaw's return. It's not known whether Kershaw would need a minor league rehab start.

"Once he gets on the mound and repeats that a couple of times," Roberts said, "then I think that Clayton will know more and the training staff will know more on how we want to progress." Catcher Austin Barnes was kept out of batting practice and out of the lineup Tuesday after taking a foul ball off his throwing hand in Sunday's win over the New York Mets. X-rays were negative.

"He says he could swing a bat if needed but I think to take an extra day (off) would make sense," Roberts said.

Catcher Yasmani Grandal left Saturday's game against the Mets with back spasms but was in the Dodgers lineup Tuesday night.

Roberts said first baseman Adrian Gonzalez probably will spend another two weeks in a rehab assignment with Triple-A Oklahoma City as he returns from a herniated disc.

The Dodgers placed left-handed reliever Luis Avilan on paternity leave and recalled Brock Stewart from Oklahoma City. Roberts said Avilan's wife and baby boy are doing fine.



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