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O se va'iga i le vasega o le fanau na suia Amerika Samoa ina ia a'oa'oina ma koleni fa'apitoa i le tomai e ta'alo ai i le FOOTBALL i le summer o le 2016. Agiagia fo'i le tagavai a Amerika Samoa i ana tama fanau sa masi'i e sailimanu. E to'a lima i latou na o atu ua fa'atasi mai ma nisi o i latou sa latou koleni fa'atasi, mai Tonga ma Hawaii nisi ae maise Samoa.

[ata: foa'i]

## Moses Samia & Sebastian Briski - Maua Ipu mai All Poly Utah & ASHSAA

tusia: Leua Aiono Frost

E to'alua ni alo o lo'o a'oa'oga ma sa ta'a'alo i le 'au malosi a le Sharks mai Samoa ua iloga ona fa'amanuiaina tau-mafaiga i lea fa'agatama i le mae'a ai le Liki Football i lenei tausaga. O i la'ua nei o Moses Michael Samia ma Sebastian Briski. Moses e ta'alo o le

Offensive Lineman a'o Sebastian o le Defensive Lineman

O i la'ua fo'i nei sa maua le avanoa e malaga atu ai i ni avanoa lelei na toina mai e le Utah All Poly Football Camp i le tu'uaga umi o a'oga ia Iuni se'ia o'o ia Aukuso 2016. I le fa'aiuga o le koleniga fa'atasi ma sui i lena camp, lea e matele ina a'otauina ai alo mai Tonga, Hawaii ma Samoa na lua i le football ma o atu fo'i i ai Iuni-vesite ma Kolisi mai so'o se vaipanoa o le Iunaite Setete e saili mai ai ni a latou tama ta'a'alo, na maua e nei ali'i Samoa fa'aailoga o le summer lea i tulaga lava o le Offensive Lineman ma le Defensive Lineman.

I le fa'aiuga fo'i o le Football Season a le ASHSAA o i la'ua fo'i nei sa lautogia i le fa'aailoga o le Offensive Lineman mo Moses a'o le Defensive Lineman mo Sebastian.

O Moses o se alo e fa'asino ia Michael Samia mai Fagatogo ma Pavaiai ma le tina o Susana Tuiasosopo Samia mai Vatia, lea e alaala ai nei lea aiga.

O Sebastian o se alo e fa'asino ia Alicia ma le susuga Briski mai Pago Pago. Na malaga i latou e to'a lima mai Samoa i le latou so'otaga lea ma Alema Te'o o le ALL Poly Camp i Utah, ma ua toe taliu mai i latou i se ta'amilosaga matagofie mo le Samoa High i lenei tausaga aoga, 2017.

O le siamupini lea ua umia nei e le Samoa High, ma ua fa'a'apea fo'i ona mata'ina le ta'a'alo a nei fanau sa auina atu i o latou tulaga sa lautogia mai ai fo'i i fafo, i le mae'a ai o le tau-mafanafana 2016. I se tala mai a le ali'i o Moses sa ia fa'a'apea ai, "O le vi'iga e fo'i i le Atua, o le malosi mai ia te ia, ma le tomai sa fa'aaua mai i nisi o taumafaiga sa fa'alatele ai le atamai i lea fo'i fa'agatama i le auina atu i fafo. Fa'afetai i le avaoa, ma e fa'afetaia ai le matou faia'oga Pati Pati, aua ana le seanoa lona iloa i le ta'aloga fa'atasi ai ma i matou lana 'au ta'a'alo, na te le toina mai avanoa lelei e fa'alatele ai le atamai, ma iloa ai ta'alo lelei. Fa'afetai fo'i i le tapua'iga a matua ma aiga, e le o mapu i talosaga ina ia foa'i mai e le Atua le malosi i le tino ae maise o le agaga e mafaia ai mea uma."

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# Young ties Division I record with 22 assists in Oklahoma win

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Freshman Trae Young had 26 points and tied an NCAA Division I record with 22 assists as No. 17 Oklahoma rolled past Northwestern State 105-68 on Tuesday night in the Sooners' first game since moving into the Top 25.

Brady Manek added 22 points and Kameron McGusty had 15 for Oklahoma (9-1). The Sooners have won seven straight games - including an upset of then-No. 3 Wichita State on Saturday - and have scored 90 or more points seven times this season.

Young's 22 assists tied the major college record set by Tony Fairley of Charleston Southern vs. Armstrong in 1987 and matched by Southern's Avery Johnson against Texas Southern in 1988 and Syracuse's Sherman Douglas against Providence in 1989.

Young also broke the former Big 12 record of 18, set by Oklahoma's Michael Johnson vs. North Texas in 1997, and matched by Oklahoma State's Doug Gottlieb vs. Florida Atlantic in 1998.

Thirteen of Young's assists came in the first half, breaking the Big 12 record for assists in a half formerly held by Baylor's Pierre Jackson (2013), Gottlieb (1999) and Johnson (1997). Young also broke Oklahoma's single-game assist mark, held by Johnson and Jan Pannell, who had 18 vs. Oklahoma City on Jan. 12, 1983.

Ishmael Lane led Northwestern State (3-7) with 17 points while Larry Owens had 16. The Demons have lost all seven of their meetings with

Oklahoma, which is 39-4 against nonconference opponents at home under coach Lon Kruger.

Northwestern State kept the game close for about 4 minutes and led 11-9 on a layup by Owens at the 16:07 mark of the first half. The Sooners then seized control with a 20-1 run, going up 29-12 on a 3-pointer by Matt Freeman with 9:52 left before halftime.

The Sooners led 53-37 at halftime and steadily built on their advantage throughout the second half.

Young scored 20 or more points for the ninth straight game, the longest streak at Oklahoma since BuWednesday, December 20, 2017 Hield did so during the 2015-16 season.

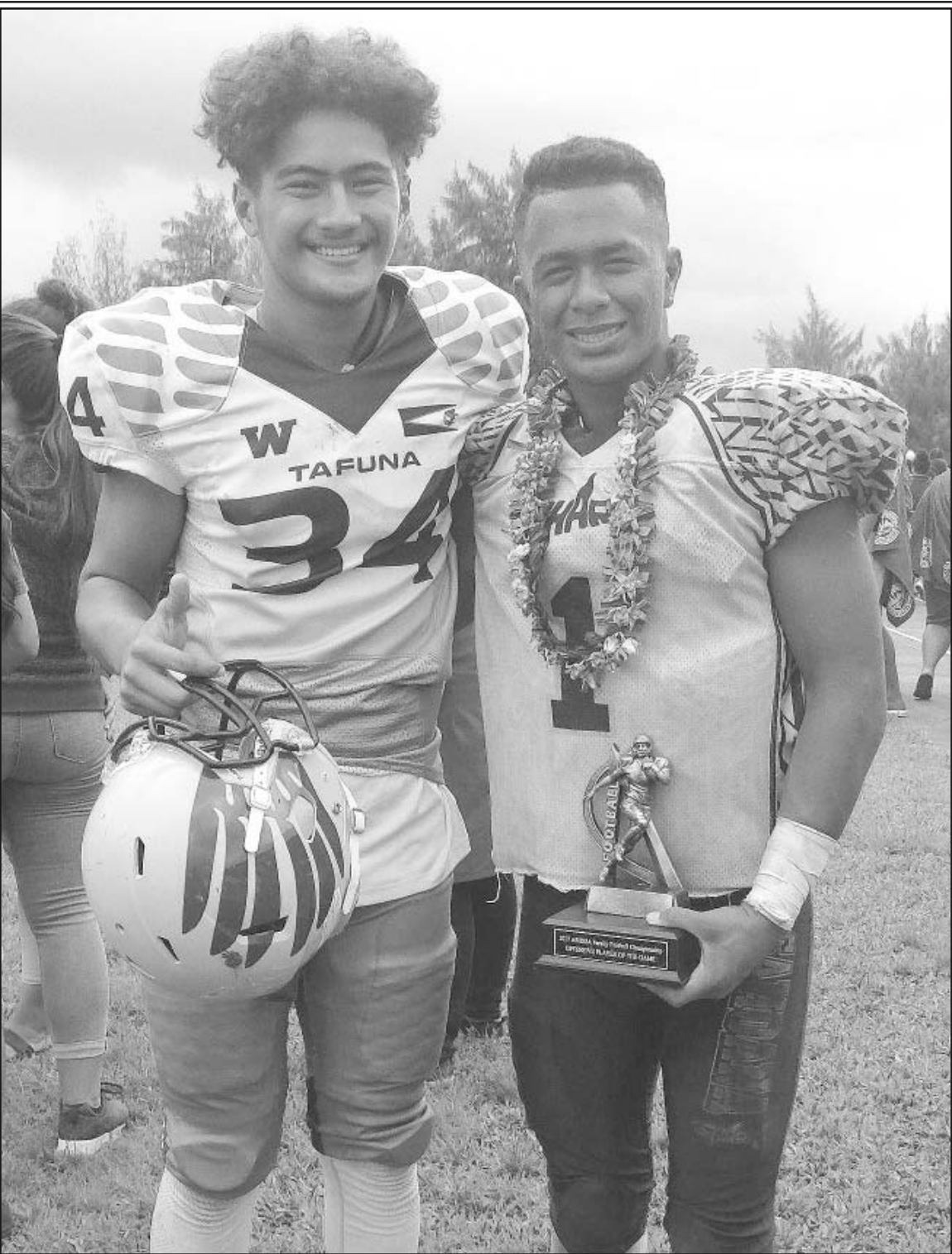
### BIG PICTURE:

Northwestern State: This is a particularly brutal stretch for the Demons, who lost to NAIA No. 2-ranked LSU-Shreveport as part of a road swing that includes games at Oklahoma and Utah. The Demons soon will be able to reset their season with the start of Southland Conference play.

Oklahoma: The Sooners are as hot as any team in Division I, coming off their upset of Wichita State, and Tuesday's win kept their considerable momentum going with the start of Big 12 Conference play looming in less than two weeks.

### NEXT UP:

Northwestern State: Must bounce back quickly for a game Wednesday at another major-conference foe, Utah, before beginning Southland Conference play on Dec. 28 at Nicholls State.



O i la'ua nei o ali'i ta'alo mai Tafuna ma Moses Michael Samia i le maea ai o latou ta'alogafa'itaulia ma ua manumalo Samia i le Ipu o le Ta'alo Lelei i le tulaga o tau fai ta'a'alo ai i la'ua 'au.

[ata: foa'i]

# Auriemma wins 1000th game as UConn beats Oklahoma 88-64

UNCASVILLE, Conn. (AP) — Geno Auriemma won his 1000th game as top-ranked UConn beat Oklahoma 88-64 on Tuesday night in the Hall of Fame women's Holiday Showcase.

Auriemma became the fourth women's coach to reach the 1,000-win mark, joining Pat Summitt, Tara VanDerveer and Sylvia Hatchell, who earned her milestone victory earlier Tuesday. Mike Krzyzewski is the only men's coach to have won 1,000 games.

He is the fastest to achieve the mark, doing so in his 1,135th game. The Hall of Fame coach has gone 500-36 since winning his 500th game in 2003. That includes winning 100 of his last 101 contests.

Sitting by Auriemma's side for the 1,000 wins has been associate head coach Chris Dailey. She's been with Auriemma since he took over at UConn in 1985. Dailey led the Huskies to seven of those victories while filling in as head coach. Auriemma was suspended for four games in 1989 for playing an extra game that season. That year, the Huskies won their first Big East tournament title with

Dailey at the helm.

She also coached three games when Auriemma's father died in 1997. All seven of those wins are credited to Auriemma.

As the final buzzer sounded, the Huskies dumped Gatorade buckets full of confetti on Auriemma and Dailey. Fake \$1,000 bills dropped from the ceiling with Auriemma's picture on them. Players from Auriemma's first team in 1985 that beat Iona for win No. 1 were in attendance and introduced to the sellout crowd. His current team held up masks of Auriemma and Dailey with their pictures from 1985.

Fans held up signs they were given that said "GEN1000 career wins." Auriemma was presented with a Hall of Fame jacket, a cake from the Mohegan Sun where the game was played and a commemorative plaque. A video was played that included tributes from former players like Breanna Stewart, who won 151 games at UConn — second most of all time. "Wow coach, 1000 wins!!!! You have created and are continuing to create an untouchable legacy in the world of sports, let alone basketball," Stewart told The Associated

Press in a text. "We set the bar high at UConn and you have continued to do that. I'm so happy to say that I am a part of your 1,000 wins!"

UConn (9-0) led 48-33 at the break before Oklahoma cut its deficit to seven midway through the third quarter, shocking the crowd. The Huskies responded with a 13-3 run to close the period that was capped by a steal off an inbounds play for a layup by Katie Lou Samuelson to give UConn a 64-47 advantage headed into the fourth quarter. Napheesa Collier, who scored 21 points to lead the Huskies, had seven of them during the spurt. The Huskies got a scare when Gabby Williams went down in the first quarter after picking up her second foul. The senior forward went to the locker room for a bit before coming back to the bench later in the period. She came back in before picking up a third foul early in the second quarter.

Maddie Manning scored 15 points to lead Oklahoma (5-6).

### TIP-INS

Oklahoma: This was the second time that the Sooners were facing a coach going for a 1,000th victory.



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# APNewsBreak: Dodgers hit with \$36.2M tax, Yanks with \$15.7M

NEW YORK (AP) — The Los Angeles Dodgers will pay baseball’s highest luxury tax for the fourth straight year and the New York Yankees owe a penalty for a 15th consecutive season, streaks that could end as the sport’s biggest spenders slash payroll for 2018.

The Dodgers owe \$36.2 million, according to final figures compiled by the commissioner’s office and obtained by The Associated Press. That raises their five-year tax total to nearly \$150 million.

New York was second at \$15.7 million, its lowest amount since 2011 but a figure that increased its total since the tax began to \$341 million. San Francisco was next at \$4.1 million, followed by Detroit at almost \$3.7 million and Washington — which is paying tax for the first time — at just under \$1.45 million.

The Dodgers and Yankees vow to get below next year’s tax threshold of \$197 million. That would reset their base tax rate from 50 percent to 20 percent going into the 2018-19 offseason, when Bryce Harper, Manny Machado and possibly Clayton Kershaw head a potentially illustrious free-agent class.

“We know going in that the structure we have in place allows for flexibility for teams to make decisions in the near term and for the longer term,” players’ association head Tony Clark said Tuesday. “It is something obviously we watch, something that we’re very cognizant of.”

Los Angeles’ 2018 payroll for tax purposes currently projects to about \$181 million and New York’s to \$177 million.

“My goal is still to be under the threshold,” Yankees owner Hal Steinbrenner said last week after the team acquired high-priced slugger Giancarlo Stanton from Miami in a trade. “Even with him added. We’re comfortably under the threshold with some more money to spend, whenever we deem we want to spend it.”

Additional surtaxes began this season: 12 percent on amounts \$20 million to \$40 million above the threshold and 45 percent on amounts over \$40 million for repeat offenders. But there were special transition rules between the old and new labor contracts.

Starting next year, teams more than \$40 million above the threshold would have their

top amateur draft pick dropped back 10 slots — with the top six overall selections protected and the extra penalty applied to the second-highest pick of those teams.

Los Angeles lowered its regular payroll to \$243.7 million from a record \$291.1 million in 2015 and \$254.9 million last year. For purposes of the tax, which uses average annual values and includes benefits, the Dodgers’ payroll was nearly \$253.6 million, an increase of \$2 million.

The Yankees’ regular payroll was second at \$208.4 million, down from \$224.5 million last year and their lowest since 2006. Detroit was third at \$190.8 million after falling \$8.5 million and Boston fourth at \$189.2 million after falling \$11.3 million. San Francisco was fifth at \$186.6 million, followed by the Chicago Cubs at \$186.2 million.

World Series champion Houston was 18th at \$134.1 million, an increase of \$30 million.

Other teams with big boosts included Washington (up \$23 million to \$179 million), Texas (up \$20 million to \$174.7 million), Colorado (up nearly \$33 million to \$142.7 million) and Cleveland (up nearly \$36 million to \$136.1 million).

The Chicago White Sox dropped by almost \$37 million to \$87.8 million and San Diego by nearly \$26 million to \$71.3 million.

Milwaukee, at \$68.2 million, was last for the second straight season. Just above were the Padres and Oakland at \$76.3 million.

“We’re watching. We’ll continue to watch,” Clark said. “We have some concerns in some areas, which I won’t go into.”

Spending on 40-man major league payrolls totaled \$4.24 billion, an increase of \$164 million, down from a \$186 million increase last year. Regular payrolls include 2017 salaries, earned bonuses and prorated shares of signing bonuses.

Luxury tax checks to the commissioner’s office are due by Jan. 21. The first \$13 million of tax money is used to fund player benefits and starting this year 50 percent of the remainder will be used to fund player Individual Retirement Accounts. The other 50 percent of the remainder will be given to teams not over the tax threshold.



*FILE - In this Saturday, July 22, 2017 file photo, Washington Nationals’ Bryce Harper waits to bat against the Arizona Diamondbacks during the seventh inning of a baseball game in Phoenix. The Los Angeles Dodgers will pay baseball’s highest luxury tax for the fourth straight year and the New York Yankees owe a penalty for a 15th consecutive season. The Dodgers and Yankees vow to get below next year’s tax threshold of \$197 million. That would reset their base tax rate from 50 percent to 20 percent going into the 2018-19 offseason, when Bryce Harper, Manny Machado and possibly Clayton Kershaw head a potentially illustrious free-agent class.*

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*FILE - In this Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015 file photo, Dallas Cowboys tight end Jason Witten (82) makes a catch against Green Bay Packers outside linebacker Nick Perry (53) during the second half of an NFL divisional playoff football game in Green Bay, Wis. Atlanta, A's win on Monday night, Dec. 18, 2017 eliminated Green Bay from the NFC playoff race. The Packers, A's string of eight straight postseason appearances is over.* (AP Photo/Matt Ludtke, File)

# Packers playing without chance for playoffs

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — This will be a strange couple weeks in Tittletown.

The Green Bay Packers' streak of eight straight postseason appearances is over. Quarterback Aaron Rodgers is done for the year after he was placed on injured reserve Tuesday.

Rodgers threw for three touchdowns and tossed three interceptions in Sunday's 31-24 loss at Carolina in his return from a broken collarbone. Coach Mike McCarthy said there were no setbacks with Rodgers' injury, but it made sense to shut him down.

"He took a number of hits. With all the factors involved, we felt this was clearly in Aaron Rodgers' best interest," McCarthy said. "He's not happy about it. It's a hard day for him."

It's an unusual time for the team as a whole. The Packers last missed the playoffs in 2008, which was Rodgers' first season as the starter. They're not used to playing games this late into December without postseason implications.

Atlanta's win over Tampa Bay on Monday night sealed Green Bay's fate in the NFC wild-card chase. Packers receiver Randall Cobb dozed off in front of the TV while watching the game and woke up on Tuesday morning to difficult news.

"It's very disappointing. You never want to be in this situation," Cobb said, "but we are."

The Packers managed to go 3-4 in games started by backup quarterback Brett Hundley to keep their playoff hopes alive while Rodgers was out. With Rodgers done, Hundley will take over again as the starter Saturday against Minnesota, and the Packers re-signed Joe Callahan to be his backup.

The last three games of the year figured to be tough with or without Rodgers. He was knocked out in Week 6 after landing on his right arm after

a hard hit outside the pocket by Vikings linebacker Anthony Barr.

"I mean you can't go out there trying to take someone out like that. Just play ball, we don't really think about it too much," left guard Lane Taylor said when asked if the team was motivated by another opportunity to face Barr.

So the Packers are in the unusual position of possibly playing the spoiler role. Their final foe, the Detroit Lions in Week 17, also remains in the chase for a wild-card spot.

An early end to a season for a team perennially considered a Super Bowl contender could spark more change in the offseason, especially on defense. The Packers haven't had consistent pass-rushing punch on the edge, a group led by outside linebacker Clay Matthews and Nick Perry.

Injuries have also have decimated the Packers at cornerback, which was already a question mark. They were without starters Kevin King and Davon House last week against Carolina due to shoulder injuries.

"You know we had ups and downs. We didn't play as good as we should have, and what we're capable of," Perry said. "We didn't get the job done this year. I'm pretty sad about it. The only thing we can do now is just look forward and just move in the right direction."

They'll have to do it without Rodgers over the final two weeks. When asked, McCarthy said there was no second-guessing about playing Rodgers last week.

"I think we all cringed when he took that first hit and frankly when he took the one from behind on the full fake," McCarthy said. "That's a bad hit on a good day, when you're completely healthy, not coming off what he went through to get back for that game."



# Falcons keep winning, but still struggling to put teams away

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. (AP) — The Atlanta Falcons’ path to the playoffs is simple — win this week at New Orleans, and they’re in.

If only it were that easy. Atlanta (9-5) has yet to figure out how to put away opponents on the road. Monday’s 24-21 win at Tampa Bay gave the Falcons a fifth road victory, but each of them has been decided in the closing seconds.

Coach Dan Quinn sees a positive in the close calls.

“Here’s what I like about that,” Quinn said Tuesday. “There is a hardening that takes place, a confidence from coming through in those environments to know that this is our time to stand up and make opportunities count.”

The tough part for Atlanta is changing the script. Building a lead hasn’t been hard to accomplish, but the offense, despite leading the NFL in third-down efficiency, inevitably has to punt late in the fourth quarter.

Then the defense gives up a few big plays to set up a frenzied finish. Monday marked Atlanta’s second straight road game to end with a missed field goal that would’ve forced overtime.

Overall the Falcons have played 10 games decided by a touchdown or less, most in the NFL, and they’re 6-4 in those situations.

One quick fix is obvious — the defense ranks next-to-last with 12 takeaways and ranks last with just four interceptions.

Improve those numbers, and Atlanta might reduce its penchant for drama.

“I think we did well,” strong safety Keanu Neal said. “There were a few plays we left out there, but no game is perfect. It’s about learning from those and moving forward, but I think overall we had a decent game.”

Neal had the lone takeaway against the Buccaneers, stripping the ball from Peyton Barber and recovering the fumble at the Atlanta 9-yard line in the second quarter. Free safety Ricardo Allen picked off Jameis Winston on the next Tampa possession, but cornerback Robert Alford was flagged for holding to nullify the interception.

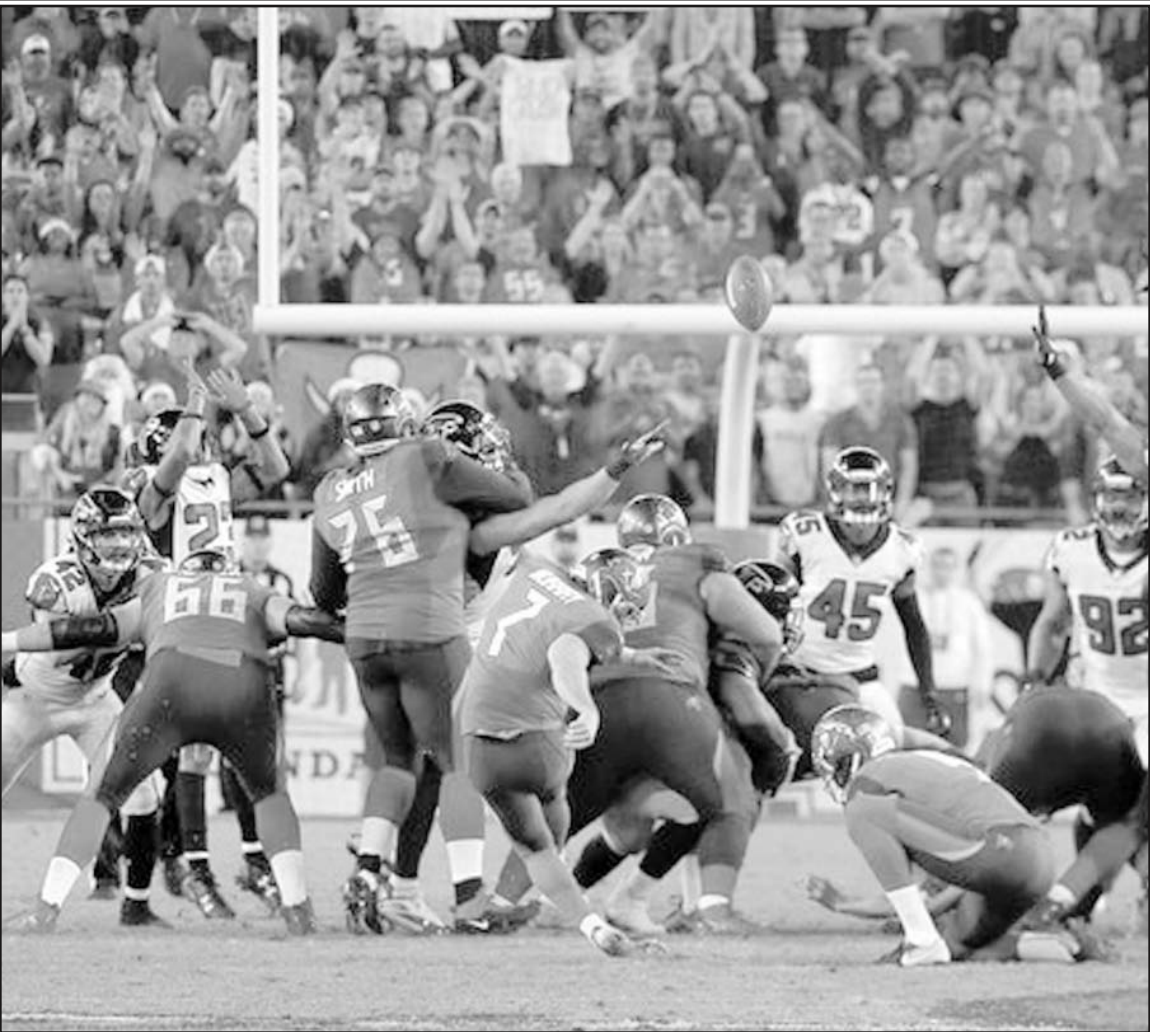
It marked the sixth time this season the Falcons have lost a pick because of a penalty.

“That’s a big difference,” Quinn said. “That part of our game we’ve got to clean up.”

Despite their difficulties, the Falcons have won five of six and head into Week 16 with a chance to repeat as division champions for the first time in their 52-year history.

They must beat the Saints and then knock off Carolina at home in Week 17. Both opponents are 10-4 and tied atop the NFC South.

“We made enough plays to get it done,” quarterback Matt Ryan said. “It keeps us right where we want to be and now we have to find a way to get better this week and try to get a win next Sunday down in New Orleans.”



Tampa Bay Buccaneers kicker Patrick Murray (7) misses a game tying field goal against the Atlanta Falcons as time expired during the second half of an NFL football game, Monday, Dec. 18, 2017, in Tampa, Fla. Atlanta won 24-21.

(AP Photo/John Raoux)



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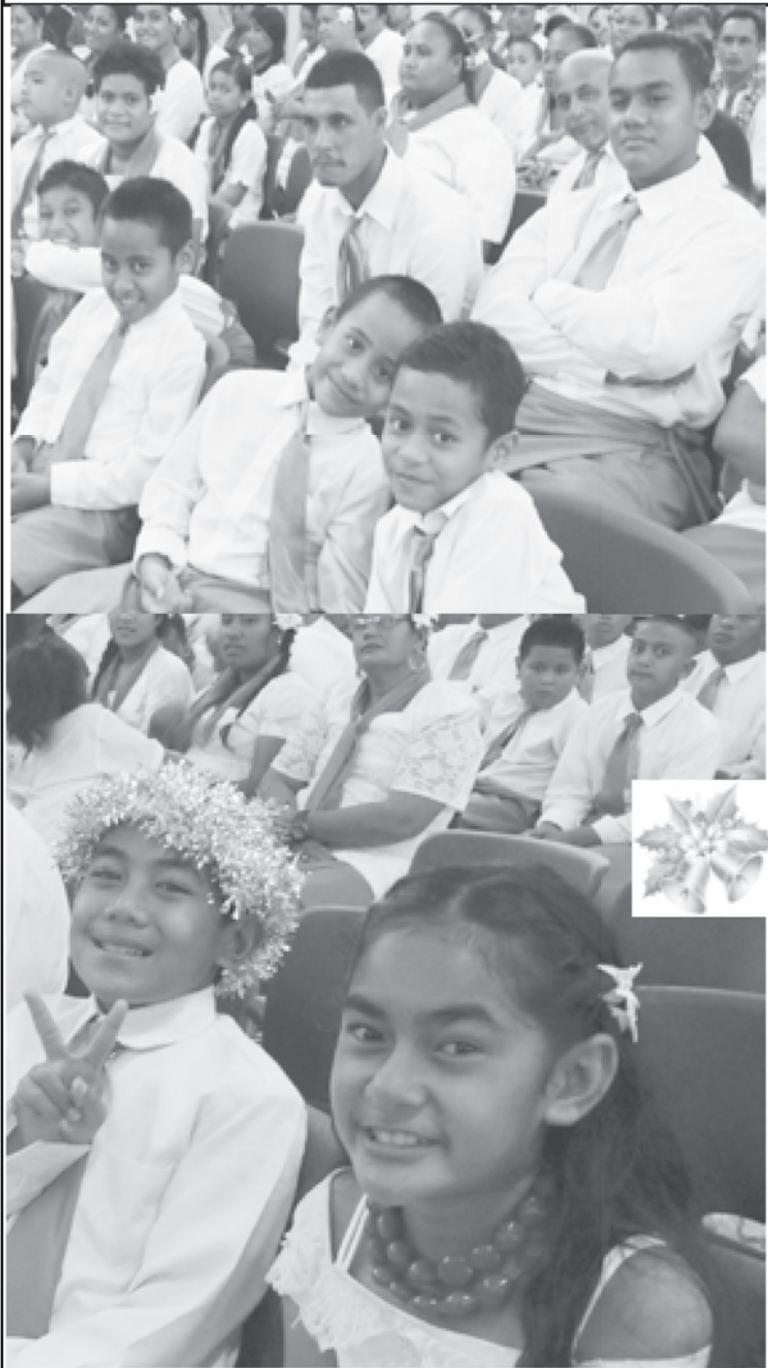
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*O se va'aiga i le mauaina e le ali'i ta'alo mai Samoana High Sebastian Briski o le fa'ailoga mo le "Sili le ta'alo lelei" i le tulaga Defensive Lineman i Utah i le All Poly Camp i le Summer 2016.*  
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# Oklahoma superintendent out amid team sex assault case

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — An Oklahoma superintendent resigned Tuesday amid an investigation of accusations that several school administrators failed to promptly report the sexual assault of a 16-year-old football player by several teammates.

Bixby Schools Superintendent Kyle Wood resigned at a special school board meeting as pressure has mounted from some community members who have previously blasted board members for refusing to take any action on the assault case.

Wood had been superintendent for more than 11 years, overseeing one of the state's largest school districts with more than 6,000 students and a powerhouse football program that's captured three state championships in the past four years. The program is big enough to draw numerous sponsors including national fast-food restaurants McDonald's and Chick-Fil-A, and athletic clothing company Under Armour.

Wood's attorney said his client denies any wrongdoing and is cooperating with an outside criminal investigation.

"Dr. Wood did not violate any law regarding reporting of child abuse, nor has he violated any district rule or policy," attorney Paul DeMuro said in a statement Tuesday. "Because of the ongoing investigation, Dr. Wood will not litigate this case in the press."

High school administrators are accused of waiting eight days to contact police to report what they first deemed "an alleged hazing incident" after the football player told officials that a teammate had inserted a pool cue into his anus through his shorts. The boy said he was assaulted in September during a team function at Wood's

house. He told investigators that he was assaulted in a similar manner a year earlier at an event also held at Wood's house.

The suburban Tulsa school district began investigating on Oct. 26. Its report included interviews with the boy and his mother, but an affidavit filed by investigators provided a fuller account. The boy told investigators he was assaulted by one player while three others held him down. Investigators say a fifth player recorded the assault on a cellphone, and another blocked a door, according to the affidavit.

Investigators said officials' lag in reporting the assault may have jeopardized their ability to recover key evidence. A search warrant said some school officials may have tried to "not report the incident at all" — which is a misdemeanor offense under Oklahoma law.

The board's decision not to suspend the accused officials pending the outcome of the investigation had angered some residents, with one parent blasting board members last week for keeping school administrators on the job given the nature of the case.

The assault is being investigated by an outside prosecutor and the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation. Spokeswomen at both agencies said Tuesday the investigations were ongoing.

An Associated Press investigation published earlier this year examined sexual violence in school sports as part of a larger look at student-on-student sex assaults. Teammate-on-teammate sexual assaults occurred in all types of sports in public schools, and experts said the more than 70 cases in five years that AP identified were an undercount.



# Ravens punter Koch masters art of placing kicks inside 20

OWINGS MILLS, Md. (AP) — Though he’s pretty adept at flinging the football, Sam Koch is far more valuable to the Baltimore Ravens when using his right foot.

Koch leads the NFL with 37 punts inside the 20 yard-line, including 16 inside the 10. He received a game ball last Sunday — a rarity for a punter — after he pinned Cleveland inside the 20 on four of his five kicks, three of which were downed within 5 yards of the goal line.

Through years of experimentation and practice, Koch has found a way to seemingly defy the laws of physics by making a football pop straight up after making contact with the ground.

“Sam is probably more precise than any punter I have seen — not just been around, but seen,” coach John Harbaugh said. “They say the ball takes funny bounces for a reason: It is oblong. Sam Koch seems like he has perfected that oblong somehow, some way, because it rarely takes off into the end zone. That is the measuring stick.”Of Koch’s 74 punts this season, only three have resulted in touchbacks. Depending on the distance and weather conditions, Koch will either put up a pooch-kick or slice one out of bounds in the shadow of the goal line.

“He’s got excellent ball control,” special teams coach Jerry Rosburg said. “He can hit it right, he can hit it left, he can get it wide, and he can hit narrow.”It’s not by accident. Koch has 13 different kinds of punts, each of which he works on repeatedly during the week. Then, come Sunday, he selects one or another from his expansive repertoire.

“A lot of it is wind-related and depends on the returner,” he said.OK, but how the heck does Koch send a football 50 yards downfield with backspin on it?“Exactly how he does it? I have no idea,” Harbaugh said. “They have their techniques they work on. He would be the right guy to ask, but he probably won’t tell you. I can’t tell you, so I guess people aren’t going to know. But it is amazing.”

Koch insists there’s no secret to his success.

“It’s a 50-50 shot. The ball’s going end over end, and it can either go forward or backward,” Koch said. “Now, the ball’s spinning backward, so you’re hoping it goes backward.”

It does indeed, more often than not. Koch is the holder for placekicker Justin Tucker, who had all sorts of good things to say about his teammate Tuesday after Baltimore (8-6) finished practice in preparation for Saturday’s game against Indianapolis (3-11).

“What makes Sam so good?

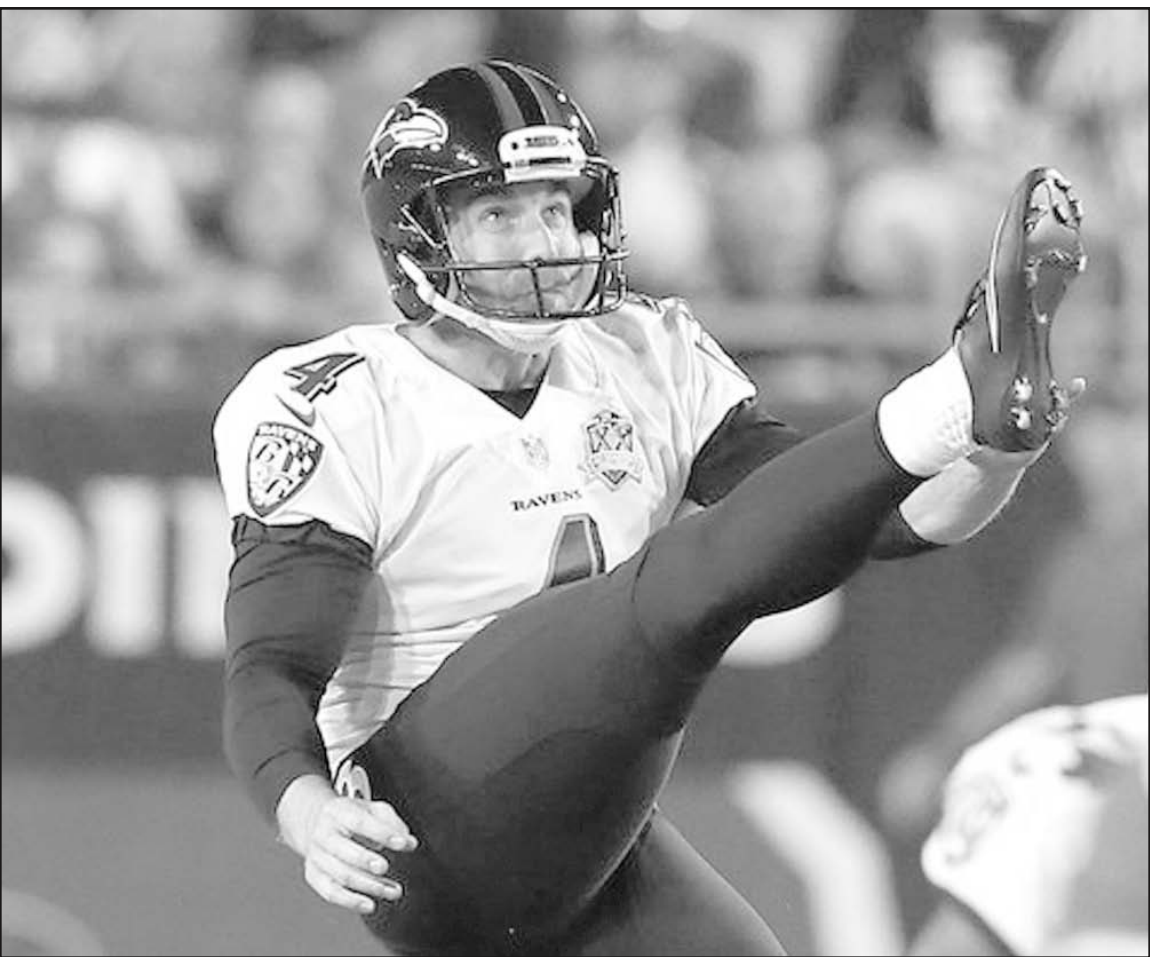
It’s a combination of a lot of things that he does incredibly well,” Tucker said. “If I had to point to one thing, it would be his attention to detail. And anybody in this locker room will tell you, Sam is one of the best athletes on this team.”

Since joining the NFL in 2006, the 35-year-old Koch has never missed a game. His run of 190 straight is a team record, as is his 45.2-yard career gross average and 39.6 net.

He has punted 936 times in the regular season (with only 72 touchbacks) and had only three kicks blocked.

And that’s not all.

Everyone once in a while, the Ravens ask Koch to throw the ball out of punt formation on a fake. His career passing numbers: 4 for 4 for 48 yards and a solid 116.7 quarterback rating.



FILE - In this Oct. 26, 2015, file photo, Baltimore Ravens punter Sam Koch (4) punts during an NFL football game against the Arizona Cardinals, in Glendale, Ariz. Though he’s pretty adept at flinging the football, Sam Koch is far more valuable to the Baltimore Ravens when using his right foot. Koch leads the NFL in punts inside the 20, and is quite simply the best at his craft that coach John Harbaugh has ever seen.

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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

**RFP:** Financial and Single Audit Services for 2017-2019  
**Approved to issuance by:** Ruth Matagi-Fa’atili; DBAS President  
**Date of issuance:** Dec 1, 2017  
**Date & Time Due:** December 30, 2017  
No later than 2:00 pm local time

DBAS requests proposals for financial audits and the related single audits for a period of three years, beginning with the audit of fiscal year 2017 through fiscal year 2019. Fiscal and calendar years are coincident at DBAS.

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DBAS requests proposals for financial audits and the related single audits for a period of three years, beginning with the audit of fiscal year 2017 through fiscal year 2019. Fiscal and calendar years are coincident at DBAS.

Document: Requests for proposal packet outlining requirements will be available for pick up at DBAS on Friday Dec 1, 2017 or emailing [charmaine@dbas.as](mailto:charmaine@dbas.as) for information regarding the RFP. It can also be accessed through the DBAS website: [www.dbas.as](http://www.dbas.as) (click public notice).  
The Request for Proposals (RFP) describes the specifications for the services to be provided in sufficient details to permit competition and allow the interested party to properly respond to the RFP.

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DBAS invites the submission of proposals to include pricing and other details as indicated in the specifications. Attachments will be provided as an aid in presenting a comprehensive proposal consistent with the requirements of DBAS.

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## Jeter hears complaints of Marlins fans at town hall

MIAMI (AP) — Derek Jeter is fielding complaints from Miami Marlins season-ticket holders upset about the direction of the team under his ownership group.

At a town hall at Marlins Park, Jeter calmly answered questions for 90 minutes, and afterward said he appreciated the fans’ feedback — positive and negative. Some 200 ticket-holders attended the town hall, the first in a series.

The Marlins haven’t had a winning season since 2009 and went 77-85 this year, but several fans argued the team was only a couple of starting pitchers shy of contending, and Jeter’s group should have added talent instead of dismantling.

Jeter responded that more spending wasn’t a long-term solution. He said the franchise lost too many games and too much money under previous owner Jeffrey Loria.

## Curry to miss at least 1 more week with sprained ankle

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry will miss at least one more week with a sprained right ankle.

Curry was evaluated by the team’s training staff Tuesday. The team says the ankle is healing well and Curry has been cleared to do modified on-court workouts. Curry will be evaluated again in one week when the team expects to have more clarity on when he can return to play.



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# UNC women's hoops coach Sylvia Hatchell nets 1,000th win

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (AP) — The numbers are hard for even Sylvia Hatchell to take in.

She has become the third women's Division I coach to net her 1,000th career victory.

Hatchell reached the milestone Tuesday after her North Carolina Tar Heels beat Grambling State 79-63. She is 1,000-376 during a 43-year career that started with 11 seasons at Francis Marion.

"As far as the 1,000 wins, gosh, I just can't believe I've coached that many games," said Hatchell, who has battled leukemia and was declared cancer-free in 2014. This is her 32nd season at North Carolina, and she has led the Tar Heels to eight ACC titles, three Final Fours and the 1994 national championship.

Jamie Cherry scored 22 points and Janelle Bailey added 15 for the Tar Heels (10-2), who shot 47 percent and out-scored the Tigers 60-40 over the final three quarters after falling behind early. "I still love the game. I was telling the staff before the game, 'I still get so nervous,'" Hatchell said. "It's a good nervous, but I still get so nervous. And with the way we

played in the first quarter, now you know why I get nervous because we didn't start out very good at all."

Hatchell is 728-286 with the Tar Heels, and another milestone could come later this season. She's 11 wins shy of former Virginia coach Debbie Ryan's record for most victories at an Atlantic Coast Conference women's program.

"The fact that I still get nervous and get the jitters, but it's the good jitters before all the games. Whenever I lose that, that will be time to let somebody else do it," Hatchell said. "But I've got it now just as much as ever. And what I've gone through the last few years has absolutely renewed my passion for the game and for winning, especially at UNC."

Hatchell joined Tennessee coach Pat Summitt (1,098) and Stanford's Tara VanDerveer (1,018) among women's coaches in the 1,000-win club. On the men's side, Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski has 1,082 victories. Hatchell is the only coach to win national titles at the AIAW, NAIA and NCAA levels, capturing the first two of those at Francis Marion in 1982 and 1986.





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# Broncos place line-backer Shane Ray on IR

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — Shane Ray arrived at training camp eager for a big year that would take some focus off superstar Von Miller following the retirement of DeMarcus Ware.

On the first day of training camp, Ray broke his left wrist, which would require three surgeries, including one last Friday to remove the screws.

He missed the first six games of the season, played through pain for two months and now will miss the last two games after the Broncos (5-9) placed their 2015 first-round draft pick on injured reserve Tuesday.

“Originally the plan was after the season,” Ray said of his latest operation. “The problem is you’re playing with pain with the screws in your wrist and the possibility of the pins breaking. The screws started wearing away a little bit and the bone was loosening up. So, it was time to take them out.”

The change in plans allows Ray to kick-start his rehab by a month.

“I’ll be able to start recovering and rehabbing faster,” Ray said. “I think that’s the most important thing is to get me back healthy.”

Ray said he preferred to finish out the season “but I’ve got to take care of myself and get back to being the Shane that I can be. It’s hard to do that with three wrist surgeries.”

The Broncos were hoping the 10-day layoff between games would allow Ray to recover in time to play at Washington (6-8) this weekend. But Ray said he would have had to wear a permanent cast and play

in more pain than usual.

“It hurts. You got stitches in you. You just got screws out of your bones,” Ray said. “It’s been painful all season just playing. Every game I think I’ve come out at least once or twice in the game just because of the pain. And now it’s still painful, but my wrist, it’s not strong right now.”

Ray said his pain tolerance is high but “sometimes it’s not about tolerating the pain. I’ve done that all season for my team. Now, it’s just I’ve got to get right.”

Unable to hit the weights following his first surgery, Ray lost weight, dropping 17 pounds to 225, and basically played with one hand.

“I’m playing off of pure will and just passion,” said Ray, who collected 15 tackles and one sack a year after posting 48 tackles and eight sacks. “I have no problem with that. I don’t back down from anybody I play. But you know it comes to a point where, what more can I do? I need to get healthy.”

In both mind and body.

“It’s physically and mentally just bearing on me to know that damn, I could have made this play if I could have used my other hand,” Ray said. “The toughest part is I’ve never quit. There’s never been a point in my football career where I’m not playing. It’s been either you pull me out because I can’t play or I’m going to play.”

The Broncos pulled him out Tuesday. They promoted cornerback Michael Hunter from their practice squad to take his roster spot.

# Milligan leads Pitt past Delaware State 74-68

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Senior guard Jonathan Milligan had 13 points, including a pair of clutch free throws, and Pittsburgh held off a late charge from Delaware State to escape with a 74-68 victory on Tuesday night.

The Panthers (7-5) led by as many as 27 in the first half and by 22 at halftime, but their lead slipped away in the second half.

Delaware State (2-11) forced Pitt into taking some outside shots, and the Panthers, who had hit 8 of 16 from 3-point range in the first half, cooled off significantly, making 5 of 19 from beyond the arc after the break. A corner 3-pointer by Hornets forward Artem Tavakalyan cut the Pitt lead to two with 22.1 seconds remaining, but Milligan made both free throws at the other end to restore a two-possession lead.

Junior Jared Wilson-Frame also had 13 points for Pitt, while freshman Khameron Davis finished with 10. Kavon Waller scored 17 points and Pinky Wiley added 16 points and seven assists for the Hornets.

## BIG PICTURE

Delaware State: The Hornets remain mired in a season-long 11-game losing streak against Division I opponents. But they’ve seen progress since their 49-point loss to Duquesne on Dec. 9. After losing to in-state rival Delaware by nine on Dec. 17, the Hornets closed hard against Pitt, their first power-conference opponent of the season. Pitt: The Panthers continued to navigate the loss of senior power forward Ryan Luther. Luther missed his second game in what will be a multiple-week absence with a stress reaction in his right foot. Replacing him remains a work in progress, as the Panthers were outrebounded 37-27 and outscored in the paint 20-14.

## UP NEXT

Delaware State will continue its three-game road swing with a trip to Nebraska on Friday.

Pitt will finish its non-conference schedule with a home game against Towson on Friday.

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# 8 Steelers, 6 Eagles and Saints highlight Pro Bowl squads

NEW YORK (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers lead the NFL in one category this season: most Pro Bowl players.

Antonio Brown, Le’Veon Bell and Ben Roethlisberger are among eight Steelers selected for the all-star game. They will be joined on Jan. 28 in Orlando, Florida, by tackle Alejandro Vilanueva, guard David DeCastro, center Maurkice Pouncey, kicker Chris Boswell, and line-backer Ryan Shazier, who is injured. Brown, also injured but expected back for the playoffs, was voted a starter, as were Bell and the three offensive linemen.

The Philadelphia Eagles and New Orleans Saints each placed six players in the game in balloting announced Tuesday.

Four rookies were chosen in voting by NFL players, coaches and fans: running backs Alvin Kamara of the Saints and Kareem Hunt of the Chiefs, cornerback Marshon Lattimore of the Saints, and safety Budda Baker of the Cardinals as a special teamer.

Two long snappers will be selected by each coach; the losing AFC and NFC team with the best record will have its coaching staff work the Pro Bowl.

Twenty-four of the 86 Pro Bowl selections are newcomers. That includes two of the three Rams specialists chosen: kicker Greg Zuerlein and return specialist Pharoh Cooper. Rams punter Johnny Hekker is a repeat Pro Bowler.

“The presence of five of our players on the Pro Bowl roster is a testament to the collective effort of our football team,” Rams coach Sean McVay said in a release. “While we emphasize football as a team sport,

we appreciate their individual contributions to our overall success. We’re extremely proud of them.”

Five teams have no representatives: the Jets, Browns, Colts, Bears and Packers.

Other AFC offensive starters: Patriots QB Tom Brady and FB James Develin; Texans WR DeAndre Hopkins; Chiefs TE Travis Kelce; Titans T Taylor Lewan; and Raiders G Kelechi Osemele. On defense, it will be Jaguars DE Calais Campbell and CBs Jalen Ramsey and A.J. Bouye; Ravens S Eric Weddle and LB C.J. Mosley; Broncos LB Von Miller; Texans LB Jadeveon Clowney; Chargers DE Joey Bosa; Titans DT Jurell Casey; Bengals DT Geno Atkins; and Miami S Reshad Jones.

Starting on offense for the NFC: Eagles QB Carson Wentz, who is injured, TE Zach Ertz and G Brandon Brooks; Falcons WR Julio Jones and C Alex Mack; Vikings WR Adam Thielen; Rams RB Todd Gurley; Cowboys T Tyron Smith and G Zack Martin; Redskins T Trent Williams; and 49ers FB Kyle Juszczyk.

Defensive starters for the NFC: Vikings DE Everson Griffen and CB Xavier Rhodes; Cardinals LB Chandler Jones and CB Patrick Peterson; Cowboys DE Demarcus Lawrence; Eagles DT Fletcher Cox; Rams DT Aaron Donald; Redskins LB Ryan Kerrigan; Panthers LB Luke Kuechly; Seahawks S Earl Thomas; and Giants S Landon Collins.

Other AFC specialists are Titans punter Brett Kern, Chiefs returner Tyreek Hill, and Patriots special teamer Matthew Slater.



FILE - In this Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017, file photo, New Orleans Saints running back Alvin Kamara (41) rushes past Buffalo Bills’ Shareece Wright (20) during the first half of an NFL football game in Orchard Park, N.Y. Four rookies were chosen in voting by NFL players, coaches and fans: running backs Alvin Kamara of the Saints and Kareem Hunt of the Chiefs, cornerback Marshon Lattimore of the Saints, and safety Budda Baker of the Cardinals. Twenty-four of the 86 Pro Bowl selections announced Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017 are newcomers.

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Approved for Issuance: Utu Abe Malae, Executive Director

## City beats Leicester in shootout to reach League Cup semis

LONDON (AP) — Manchester City kept alive its hopes of a quadruple as it beat Leicester 4-3 on penalties to reach the semifinals of the English League Cup on Tuesday.

Arsenal is also through after beating West Ham 1-0.

City goalkeeper Claudio Bravo saved Riyad Mahrez’s spot kick for the decisive moment following a 1-1 draw after regulation and extra time.

Jamie Vardy also missed in the shootout for Leicester.

Bernado Silva’s first-half goal looked to have given the visitors the win, but Vardy scored a stoppage-time penalty to take it beyond 90 minutes.

City can still take a clean sweep of trophies this term with Guardiola’s side 11 points clear at the top of the Premier League and in the knockout stages of the Champions League.

But Guardiola downplayed the chance of a quadruple.

“That is not going to happen. Of course not,” he said.

“Come on, that isn’t real. What we’re living isn’t real. The situation of winning 16 or 17 games in a row in the league and qualifying for the Champions League before we finished the group stage, and now we’re here playing with a lot of young players. That is not normal.

“In football you drop points and you lose competitions. I am not thinking about how many titles, I am thinking about the next game.”Kelechi Iheanacho, who moved from City to Leicester for 25 million pounds in the summer, struggled to make an impact before he helped his old club to a 26th-minute opener.Iheanacho allowed Yaya Toure to take the ball.





Central Arkansas guard Mathieu Kamba, left, lays up a shot past California's Darius McNeill (1) during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2017, in Berkeley, Calif. (AP Photo/Ben Margot)

# Freshmen lead California past Seattle 81-59

SEATTLE (AP) — California coach Wyking Jones calls his young team a work in progress, although they showed a significant growth spurt in the second half.

Darius McNeill scored 20 points and Justice Sueing added 17 as the two freshmen helped California pull away from a six-point halftime lead for an 81-59 victory over Seattle on Tuesday night.

“We’re young, but the guys are picking up what we’re telling them to do,” Jones said. “They’re giving us great effort. It’s just a learning process for these young guys. Now, we’ve got two road wins, we got an overtime win in the last game, so they’re maturing. They’re maturing at a fast rate right now. I’m very happy for our team.”

Cal (6-6) led 34-28 at the half, but capitalized on five turnovers to fuel a 13-0 run that opened a 53-37 lead with 10:58 remaining in the second half. Seattle missed 10 consecutive shots during a scoring drought of more than six minutes.

The Golden Bears added an 11-3 spurt to push the lead to 67-47 with 6:15 left. Junior guard Don Coleman added 16 points for California, which won its third straight.

“We had some poor shot selection in transition and poor decision-making that led to run outs the other way and eight became 18 fast,” said Seattle coach Jim Hayford. “We just don’t have the gumption and belief yet in one another to get back into one of those.”

Matej Kavas had 20 points and Richaud Gittens added 11 for Seattle (8-6), which had won its first seven home games.

Seattle shot just 33 percent, making 22 of 66 shots, and was just 7 of 32 (22 percent) from 3-point range as Cal switched back-and-forth from zone to man defense.

“We knew that they were a 3-point shooting team,” Jones said. “On average, they take 27 a game, they make 10. We knew if we could do a great job defending the three, we knew we’d give ourselves a chance to win. That’s what we did.”

In their previous game, the Redhawks were 16 of 28 beyond the arc in an 89-76 victory over Portland.

Seattle, held without a field goal until Morgan Means’ 3-pointer with 15:25 left in the first half, managed to stay close despite shooting 31 percent. The Redhawks were 9 of 29 from the field, including 4 of 16 from beyond the arc.

Cal missed its first six 3-point attempts until Coleman’s 3-pointer with 13 seconds left put the Golden Bears up six at the half.

The Bears offset their lack of outside shooting in the first half with 22 points in the paint.

Starting guard Jordan Hill, a graduate transfer from Wisconsin and Seattle’s second-leading scorer, played just five scoreless minutes in the first half while picking up three fouls.

“For whatever reason, I think our guys thought tonight was going to be a little easier than it was,” Hayford said. “In the first half, we really struggled offensively, but we were tough enough to stay in there. Then we kind of hit a point where our shots weren’t falling, and then we let our guard down and then the game got away from us.”

## BIG PICTURE

California: The young Golden Bears, who start two freshmen, are improving under first-year head coach Jones. Their victory over Seattle was the first time they have won three consecutive games this season. They have one more non-conference game before opening Pac-12 play at Stanford on Dec. 30.

Seattle: The Redhawks, who entered Tuesday night 7-0 at home, play 14 of their first 20 games at home. Seattle is 0-5 on the road, including a loss across town at Washington, and won its only neutral-site game.

## DIETARY ASSESSMENT

“Humble pie doesn’t taste good, but it makes strong muscles,” Hayford said. “I’ve coached enough games that I know what to do with humble pie.”

## UP NEXT

California: The Golden Bears host Portland State on Thursday.

Seattle: The Redhawks will face Nicholls State on Saturday in the fourth game of a nine-game homestand.

# New York Islanders may be returning from city to suburbs

MINEOLA, N.Y. (AP) — The New York Islanders hockey team may be returning to the New York suburbs after a move to Brooklyn floundered.

Several news organizations including Newsday reported Tuesday that the team won a bid to build a new arena on the grounds of the Belmont Park racetrack, home to the third leg of horse racing’s Triple Crown each June. An announcement by Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo was expected Wednesday.

The Islanders submitted a development bid for a portion of the Belmont complex in September with several partners including owners of the New York Mets and Madison Square Garden. A spokesman for the partners declined to comment on Tuesday.

The state-run Empire State Development Corp. announced in July a request for proposals to develop 36 acres (15 hectares) of vacant and underutilized parking lots at the site of the racetrack. The state also solicited bids to develop the land in 2012 but wound up scrapping all proposals a year ago.

Also bidding on the site was the New York City FC soccer team, which envisioned building a stadium on the site, in Elmont, just east of New York City. The soccer team is partially owned by the New York Yankees.

Last month, Islanders owner Jon Ledecky said the team will play at the Barclays Center in Brooklyn through the end of next season and the “singular focus” beyond that was for a new arena at Belmont Park.

The team played at the Nassau Coliseum from its inception in 1972 until 2015, winning the Stanley Cup every year

from 1980 to 1983. A move to the Brooklyn arena was greeted with displeasure by fans, who always considered the team to be a Long Island staple.

The Islanders played a pre-season game at the refurbished Coliseum, now called NYCB Live. After renovations the arena now has a capacity of about 13,000 for hockey, less than the 16,170 it had previously and the 15,795 currently at Barclays Center.

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman has said playing games there on a regular basis was not viable.

“We are locked and loaded on Belmont,” Ledecky told the team’s beat writers last month. “We have the blinders on for Belmont. We’re not looking at other places, other things, other opportunities. We want to make Belmont a reality.”

The Islanders are in their third season at the Barclays Center arena. The team’s move to the Brooklyn arena was announced as a 25-year deal and appeared to secure its future in New York amid talk it could move to another city.

The team has an opt-out clause on its lease in January and can leave as early as after this season. Either side can terminate the deal effective at the end of the 2018-19 season.

Newsday reported the Islanders’ bid includes an 18,000-seat, year-round arena that would host 150 events annually plus 435,000 square feet (40,400 square meters) of space for retail, a hotel with 200 to 250 rooms and a 10,000-square-foot (929-square-meter) innovation center that would be developed with resident input.

The team is last in average attendance this year in the league.

# Watkins has double-double, Penn State beats Binghamton 80-65

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (AP) — Mike Watkins scored 12 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead Penn State to an 80-65 win over Binghamton on Tuesday night. Tony Carr, Josh Reaves and Shep Garner all chipped in 15 points apiece for the Nittany Lions (10-3), who won their third straight and snapped the Bearcats’ seven-game winning streak. Garner made 5 of 7 3-pointers and the Nittany Lions shot 57 percent from the floor on 31-for-54 shooting. J.C. Show led Binghamton (8-5) with 13 points while Tyler Stewart notched 12 and Thomas Bruce added 10 for the Bearcats, who trailed for all but 2:49.

The Nittany Lions opened the first half with an 8-0 run and led 39-36 at halftime.

## THE TAKEAWAY

Binghamton: The Bearcats stayed in this one and should have high hopes for their chances in the America East race. Its seven-game winning streak was the team’s longest in nine years since it won 11 straight en route to an America East championship. Penn State: The Nittany Lions have gotten better at finishing games and improved to 10-0 this season when leading at halftime. They’re doing it with scoring from everywhere as Tuesday’s game marked the fifth time this season at least five .





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Universal Crossword

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- ACROSS

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Cologne scent

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Big swine

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“What \_\_\_\_ can I get ya?”

13

Prefix with “social”

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Throbbing pain

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Rapidly, poetically

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Got bigger

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High-schooler, e.g.

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Jackknife maker

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U.S. citizen with foreign ancestors

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“Advised” attachment

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Female turkey

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You-know-\_\_\_\_

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British washroom

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Make happy

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Doesn’t leave

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“\_\_\_\_ you ready?”

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Clumsy one

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Extreme abbr.

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Fail to list

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Treatment for shoulder flakes

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Battery fluid

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Forget-me-\_\_\_\_

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Advanced deg.

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NYC opera house

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Spectrum revealer

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Opponent

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Mess up

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Paris street

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Former Sony rival

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“Meet John \_\_\_\_”

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Winner of a fancy belt

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Volcanic material

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Orbison and Lichtenstein

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“Isn’t that \_\_\_\_ much?”

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Varsity’s starting squad

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Time \_\_\_\_ half

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Forearm bone

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Office worker’s supply

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Gets the point

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Chair supports

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1

Collecting bird

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Display, as carpeting

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“A Streetcar Named Desire” lady

4

Brown, fuzzy fruit

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Take a soak

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Atlantic and Pacific

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Guttural break-in

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Subscription extensions

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Grand tale

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’60s fad light

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Screenwriter’s layout

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Always, to the Bard

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“Hasta la vista”

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Remove wool

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Drummer’s asset

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Presidential rejection

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Sondheim’s “Sweeney \_\_\_\_”

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Hair clumps

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Friendly race

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Arabian Peninsula country

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Lady’s title

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Make bitter

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Biggest part of air

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Liver delicacy

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Crosswise, on deck

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“Iliad” king

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Dr. Jekyll’s alter ego

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OK to eat

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Being bossy?

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Blabbermouths

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THE LAST WORD IN ASTROLOGY

Wednesday, December 20, 2017

Happy Birthday: You may crave change, but don't operate on emotions alone. Common sense and thinking matters through will save you from making a mistake. A well-thought-out plan will be your ticket to greater happiness and satisfaction. Consider your choices and the people involved in your life. Make decisions that will bring long-term effects, not instant gratification. Your numbers are 2, 13, 24, 32, 37, 41, 45.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Choose love over force. Someone will test your patience if you feel you are being taken for granted. Use your intelligence to even out the playing field and you will have no regrets. \*\*

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Refrain from making an impulsive move. Be extra cautious when dealing with legal, financial or health issues. Make whatever adjustments are necessary and proceed with honesty, love, patience and understanding. \*\*\*\*

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Emotional matters will escalate when dealing with your peers, superiors or anyone looking for a way to make you look bad. Use your charm and powers of persuasion to smooth over any past mistakes that could end up costing you. \*\*\*

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be careful how you spend your money. Impulsive purchases will not turn out to be as great as you anticipate. Walk away from situations that can leave you emotionally exhausted and confused. Concentrate on investing in yourself, not someone else. \*\*\*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't give in to someone who is asking you to make unrealistic changes. Step aside and do your own thing instead of allowing your emotions to lead you into a vulnerable situation. Know when to say "no" and walk away. \*\*\*

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll get an emotional nudge from someone you live with or are close to. Don't dismiss what's being said. The clues are right in front of you. Ask questions and find out what you can do to encourage better days ahead. \*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't fold under pressure. You can't make a decision if you aren't ready. Look for peace and quiet or spend time with someone you know will offer you sound advice. Don't limit what you want to do because of someone else. \*\*

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Lend a helping hand and you will feel good. It's the little things that will count the most, so don't waste your time on extravagant offerings when your time, patience and hands-on help are all that are required to succeed. \*\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Impulsive spending will leave you in a quandary. Take a moment to consider the consequences of your actions before you make your move. Choose to be methodical rather than reckless. If you want to show off, do something nice for someone. \*\*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll excel when it comes to getting things done, but don't sign up for something that will take you away from the promises you have made to your family. A last-minute change of plans will throw you off-guard. \*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Spur-of-the-moment purchases, decisions and offers will not work out well in the end. Be careful not to make promises you won't want to keep. Keep your schedule simple and offer your time to those you care about. \*\*\*

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Emotional decisions may cost you. You can offer help or suggestions, but don't go overboard trying to do too much for too many. You have to look out for your own interests if you want to avoid getting burned out. \*\*\*\*

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

OTHER WOMAN CHEATS ON MAN WHO'S CHEATING ON HIS WIFE

DEAR ABBY: A year ago, my husband confessed that he was having an affair at work. Before it started, he tried setting “Velma” up with his twin brother, but she said she wasn’t interested. Their affair lasted for months, until the guilt “ate him up.” When he told me, I was devastated.

We agreed to get counseling and work on our marriage. Well, it turns out Velma was also seeing his brother while she was with my husband. Oh! And she had a baby, and we’re not sure who the father is. My brother-in-law claims he loves Velma and she loves him. I have been asked if I am willing to sit with her, my husband and brother-in-law to “clear the air.” I don’t think I can do it. Although I want my brother-in-law to be happy, at the same time, I don’t want to ever be near this woman. Please help. -- LOSING MYSELF

DEAR LOSING YOURSELF: Has your brother-in-law MARRIED Velma? If not, I see no reason why you should be forced to clear anything with her. If the two of them have tied the knot, then I can see a benefit for you in having a discussion. Of course, that discussion should be in the office of a professional mediator, and you should first make a list of all the questions you would like her to answer.

At the top of the list would be why she was sleeping with your husband and his brother at the same time. Close to that one would be why she thinks you would ever want to have a relationship with her. Take it from there and add questions of your own.

DEAR ABBY: I am a Korean lady whose husband spends a lot of time on Facebook. He says it's to promote his books. (He loves to write.) I think he does it to get recognition from his Facebook “friends.”

Well, that may be great for him. But my problem with him -- and Facebook -- is that sometimes he provides too much information about ME. None of it is positive.

We had a fight two weeks ago, and the next thing I knew, I was reading about it on Facebook, all from his point of view. Before that, he complained he only got a bowl of cereal for breakfast when he would have liked a hot meal instead. Excuse me, but what’s stopping him from making one for himself when I have to drop off the kids at school and go to work?

I feel hurt after reading what he's posting and ashamed for not being a “good enough” spouse. Am I overly sensitive or should I confront him about this? I could use some wise advice. -- EMBARRASSED IN KOREA

DEAR EMBARRASSED: By all means talk to your husband about what he’s been doing, because if he has complaints, they should be directed to you rather than his Facebook buddies. If you feel compelled to defend yourself, you can always reply to his posts to set the record straight. If he continues to publicly discuss what should be a private matter, you might be less embarrassed if you read his posts less often or unfriend him altogether.

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HAM SANDWICHES By Timothy E. Parker

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

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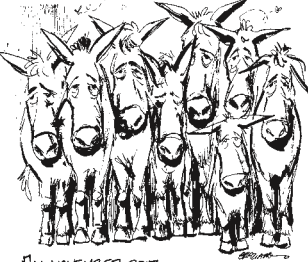


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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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

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Tuesday's Puzzle Answer

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

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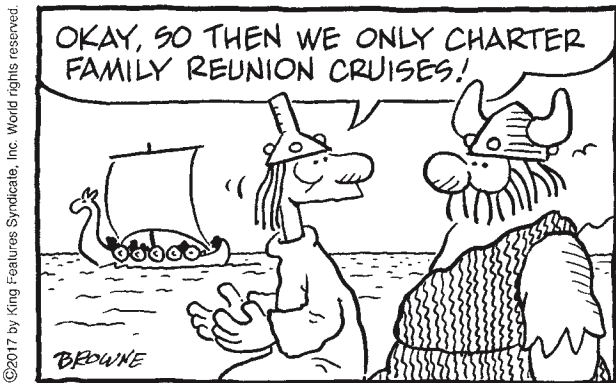
Hagar the Horrible®

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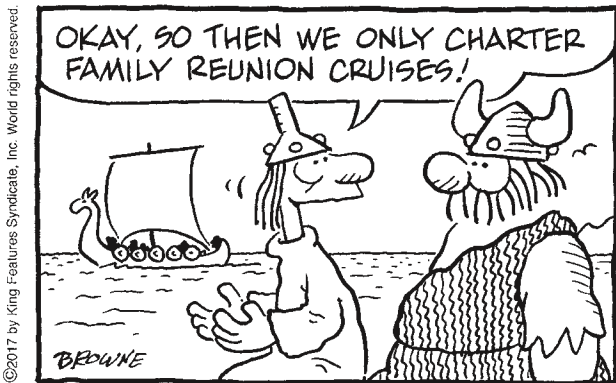
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