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Police monitor scene Dec. 22 at Coney Island subway station where Sebastian Zapeta (inset) allegedly set fire to Debrina Kawam, killing her.

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What's new? A new year of course, here & there





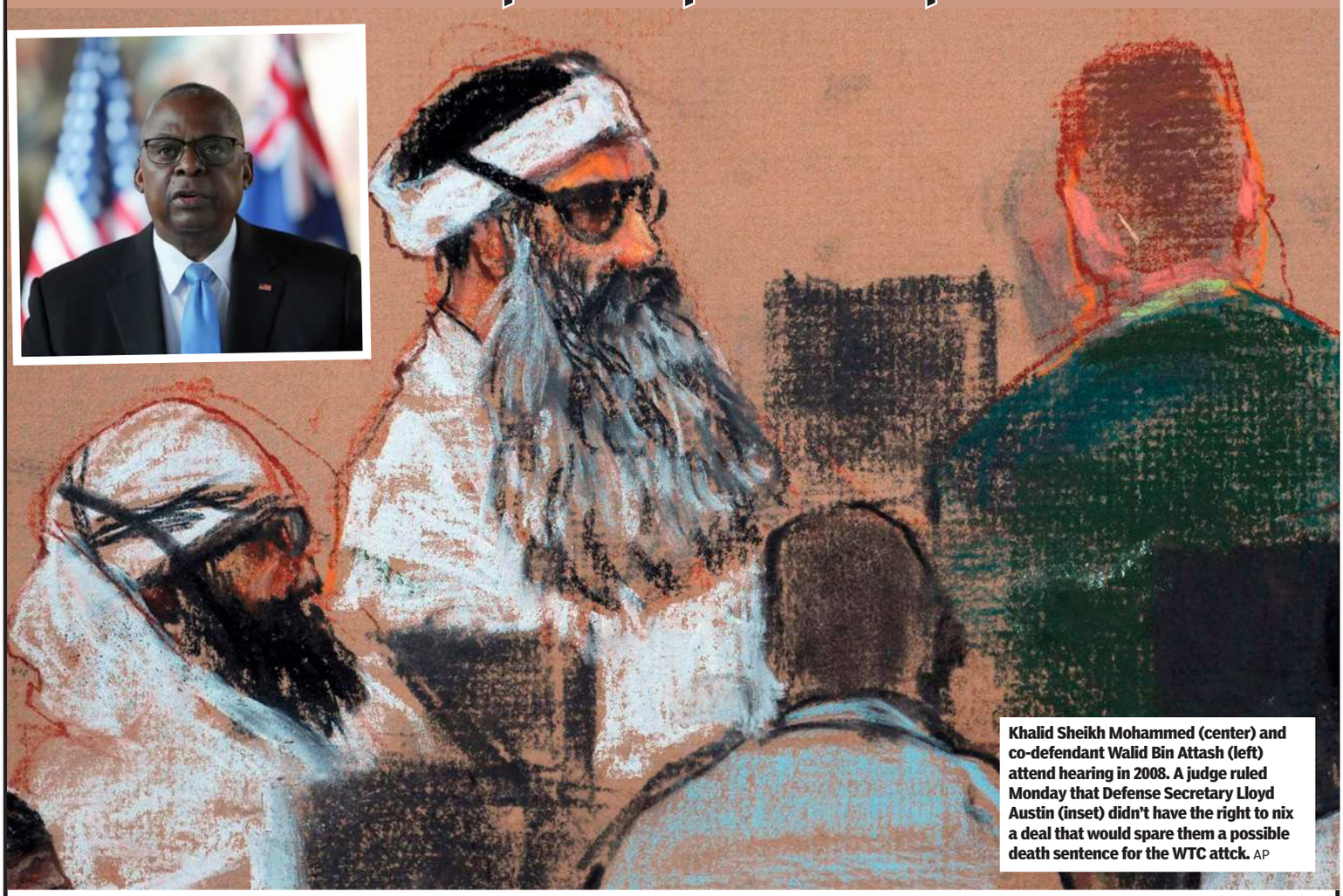


In Dubai (main), fireworks explode at the world's tallest building, as they do in Sydney (top far left). Times Square got in on the action, with Ryan Seacrest (above) posing with revelers and further abundant cheer (bottom far left).

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WTC plea deal back on

Defense chief can't nix pact to spare Khalid possible execution



Khalid Sheikh Mohammed (center) and co-defendant Walid Bin Attash (left) attend hearing in 2008. A judge ruled Monday that Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin (inset) didn't have the right to nix a deal that would spare them a possible death sentence for the WTC attck. AP

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON – A military appeals court has ruled against Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin's effort to throw out the plea deals reached for Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and two other defendants in the 9/11 attacks, a U.S. official said.

The decision puts back on track the agreements that would have the three men plead guilty to one of the deadliest attacks on the United States in exchange for being spared the possibility of the death penalty. The attacks by Al Qaeda killed nearly 3,000 people on Sept. 11, 2001, and helped spur U.S. invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq in what the George W. Bush administration called its war on terror.

The military appeals court released its ruling Monday night, according to the U.S. official, who was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Military prosecutors and defense attorneys for Mohammed, the accused mastermind of the attacks, and two co-defendants reached the plea agreements after two years of government-approved negotiations. The deals were announced late last summer.

Supporters of the agreements see them as a way of resolving the legally troubled case against the men at the U.S. military commission at Guantanamo Bay naval base in Cuba. Pretrial hearings for Mohammed, Walid bin Attash and Mustafa al-Hawsawi have been underway for more than a decade.

Much of the focus of pretrial arguments has been on how torture of the men while in CIA custody in the first years after their detention may taint the overall evidence in the case.

Within days of news of the plea deal this summer, Austin issued a brief order saying he was nullifying them.

He cited the gravity of the 9/11 attacks in saying that as defense secretary, he should decide on any plea agreements that would spare the defendants the possibility of execution.

Defense lawyers said Austin had no legal authority to reject a decision already approved by the Guantanamo court's top authority and said the move amounted to unlawful interference in the case.

The military judge hearing the 9/11 case, Air Force Col. Matthew McCall, had agreed that Austin lacked standing to throw out the plea bargains after they were underway. That had set up the Defense Department's appeal to the military appeals court.

Austin now has the option of taking his effort to throw out the plea deals to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. The Pentagon did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Separately, the Pentagon said it had repatriated one of the longest-held detainees at the Guantanamo military prison, a Tunisian man who U.S. authorities approved for transfer more than a decade ago.

Ridah bin Saleh al-Yazidi's return to Tunisia leaves 26 men at Guantanamo. That's down from a peak population of about 700 Muslim men detained abroad and brought to the prison in the years after the Sept. 11 attacks.

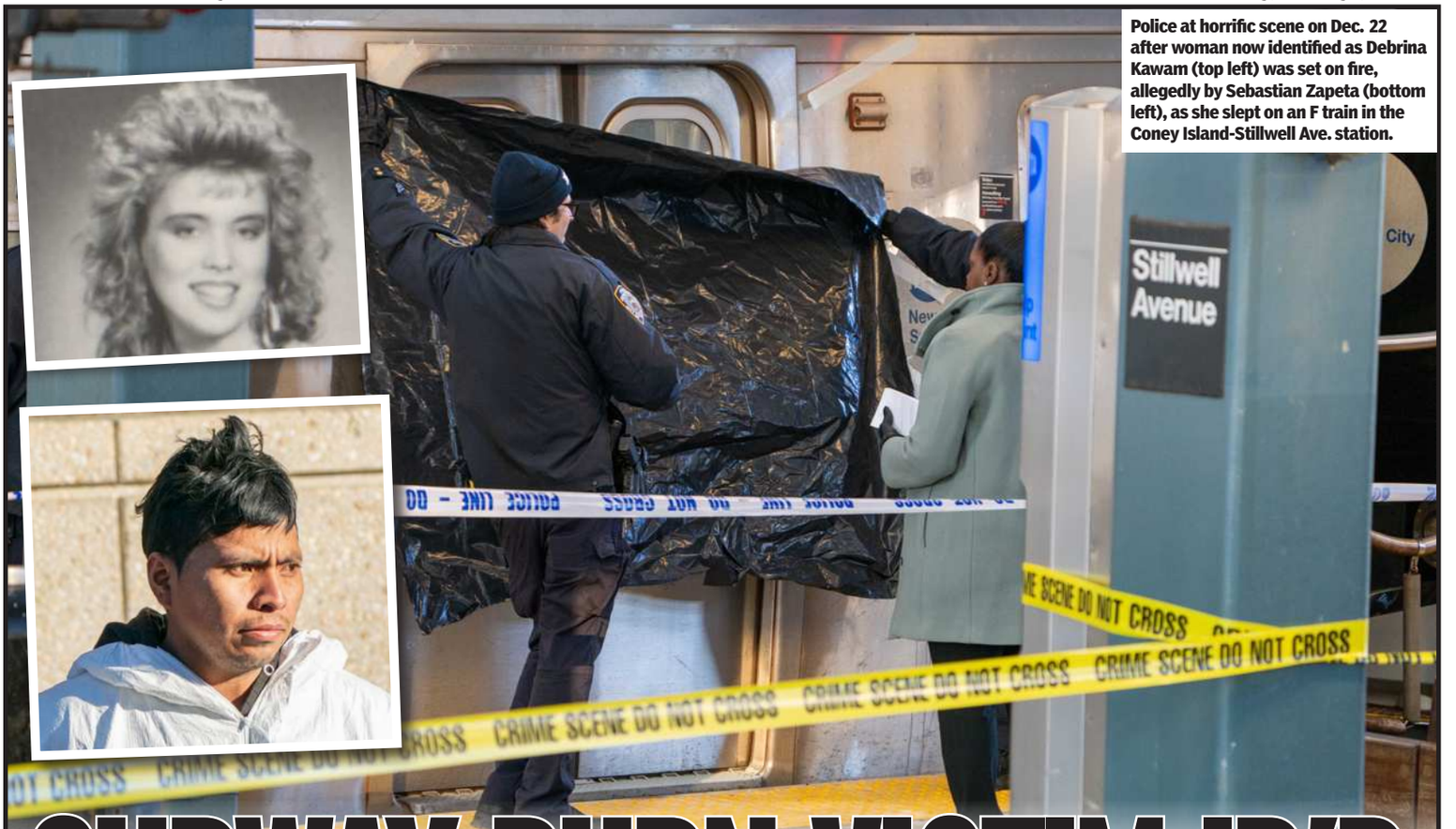
Al-Yazidi's repatriation leaves 14 men awaiting transfer to other countries after U.S. authorities waived any prosecution and cleared them as security risks.

The Biden administration, pressed by rights groups to free remaining Guantanamo detainees held without charge, transferred out three other men this month. The U.S. says it is searching for suitable and stable countries willing to receive the remaining 14.

In a statement, the U.S. military said it had worked with authorities in Tunisia for the "responsible transfer" of al-Yazidi. He had been a prisoner at Guantanamo since 2002, when the U.S. began sending Muslim detainees taken abroad there.

Al-Yazidi is the last of a dozen Tunisian men once held at Guantanamo.

Of those remaining at Guantanamo, seven – including Mohammed and his 9/11 co-defendants – face active cases. Two others of the 26 total have been convicted and sentenced by the military commission.



Police at horrific scene on Dec. 22 after woman now identified as Debrina Kawam (top left) was set on fire, allegedly by Sebastian Zapeta (bottom left), as she slept on an F train in the Coney Island-Stillwell Ave. station.

SUBWAY BURN VICTIM ID'D

Homeless woman torched to death was 57-year-old from N.J.

BY JOHN ANNESE, JOSEPHINE STRATMAN AND THOMAS TRACY
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

The homeless woman torched to death at a Brooklyn subway stop has been identified as a 57-year-old woman from New Jersey, officials said Tuesday.

Debrina Kawam of Toms River was set on fire as she slept in an F train stopped at the end of the line at Coney Island-Stillwell Ave. station about 7:30 a.m. Dec. 22. The homicide shocked the city and nation and set off a race to identify the body burned beyond recognition.

Mayor Adams said Tuesday that he knows little about her.

"No more than the name and that she resided in New Jersey," Adams said. "She had a brief stint in our homeless shelter system, our shelter system. And your heart goes out to the family, a horrific incident to have to live through."

A current resident at Kawam's former home on Waterbury Court in Toms River spoke with the Daily News to share an odd encounter with the victim in May, saying Kawam appeared at the doorstep of the home and asked for her family – several weeks after they'd moved out.

"She said, 'I'm Debrina. I'm the sister. I want to see my mother,'" the Toms River resident, who gave her name as Olga, told The News. "An older lady, she may have been mentally disabled.

"She gave me that vibe, because how could she not know that her family was living here? Something was wrong."

Olga said she invited Kawam into her home and then called a real estate agent, hoping they could share a phone number for the woman's family. The agent didn't respond, and Kawam began rambling about not having a phone.

"She didn't have a phone. She said, 'No, I've gotta get one. I've gotta get one,'" Olga recounted.

According to police, Sebastian Zapeta, 33, was caught on camera sitting on a bench at the subway platform, watching the victim after she'd been set ablaze before he fled the scene.

"Just watching that tape, just really, I couldn't even watch it all the way through," Adams said Tuesday. "It was just a bad incident, and it impacts on how we all just feel. But it really reinforced what I've been saying. People should not be living on our subway system. They should be in a place of care. And no matter where she lived, that should not have happened."

Kawam's body was so badly burned that investigators could not initially raise her fingerprints. They eventually managed to do so, and that led to being able to identify her and notify next of kin, police sources said.

Detectives also scoured the subway system looking for video to learn where and when Kawam stepped onto the F train, officials said.

When a body cannot be visually confirmed, the city medical examiner's office takes fingerprints and shares them with law enforcement. The NYPD did an extensive search, found a possible match and sent the fingerprints that cops believed were a match to the medical examiner's office to compare and confirm, sources said.

Kawam graduated from Passaic Valley Regional High School in 1985. In her yearbook entry, Kawam said her ambition was to become an airline stewardess, and that her "secret ambition" was "to party forever." She was a cheerleader during her freshman and sophomore years, according to the yearbook.

At some point Kawam's life appeared to have taken a downturn. She filed for bankruptcy in 2008, writing, "I haven't worked due to illness," according to the filing.

She has no criminal history in New York City but had been arrested nine times in Atlantic City between Sept. 18, 2017, and Nov. 6, 2023, mostly for drinking in public and sleeping in the street, New Jersey records show.

She relocated to New York City shortly after her last arrest and was given a summons in April 2024, but it was not immediately disclosed what the summons was for.

Zapeta is a Guatemalan migrant who was living in a Brooklyn men's shelter before his arrest.

"People should not be sleeping on subways and on streets of the city of New York, and we should not wait until they commit a crime like burning an innocent person or shoving someone on the subway before we say we have a problem," Adams said Tuesday at his weekly press briefing, which he opened by touting how safe the city had become under his administration.

Zapeta is accused of setting Kawam on fire with a lighter and then "fanning the fire using a shirt," Brooklyn Assistant District Attorney Ari Rottenberg said at his arraignment, where he was ordered held without bail.

"The deceased became entirely engulfed in flames," Rottenberg said. "The defendant then stepped out of the train onto a platform and continued fanning the flames with a shirt."

Zapeta then threw the shirt to the ground and sat down on a bench on the subway platform to watch his deadly handiwork, prosecutors say.

Horrifying video shows the suspect sitting on the bench calmly watching as the flames engulfed the woman, who got to her feet and was standing helplessly near the subway car's open door.

A grand jury last week voted to charge Zapeta with first-degree murder, meaning he is facing life without parole if convicted.

With Colin Mixson and Roni Jacobson

THEODORE PARISIENNE/NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

90% of P.R. powerless

Electric grid fails, stirring both anger at gov't & resignation



Business owners turn to gas-powered generators to be able to keep working during an islandwide blackout in Puerto Rico in 2022. This week, the island has been hit with a similar event. AP

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN JUAN – A blackout hit nearly all of Puerto Rico early Tuesday as the U.S. territory prepared to celebrate New Year's, leaving more than 1.3 million clients in the dark. Officials said it could take up to two days to restore power.

The outage hit at dawn, plunging the island into an eerie silence as electrical appliances and air conditioners shut down before those who could afford generators turned them on.

"It had to be on the 31st of December!" exclaimed one man, who only gave his name as Manuel, as he stood outside a grocery store in the capital of San Juan, grumbling about the outage that coincided with his birthday. "There is no happiness."

Nearly 90% of 1.47 million clients across Puerto Rico were left in the dark, according to Luma Energy, a private company that oversees electricity transmission and distribution.

Luma said in a statement that it appears the outage was caused by a failure of an underground power line, saying it is restoring power "in the quickest and safest way possible." A Luma spokesman told The Associated Press that the incident was under investigation.

The blackout fanned simmering anger against Luma and Genera PR, which oversees the generation of power in Puerto Rico, as a growing number of people call for their ouster.

Gov.-elect Jenniffer Gonzalez Colon, who is set to be sworn in on Jan. 2, has called for the creation of an "energy czar" to review potential Luma contractual breaches while another operator is found.

"We can't keep relying on an energy system that fails our people," she wrote on X, adding that stabilizing Puerto Rico's energy grid would be her top priority in office.

Meanwhile, Gov. Pedro Pierluisi said he was in touch with Luma and Genera PR, adding on X that "we are demanding answers and solutions."

The outage forced businesses, parks and several malls to close, and the government announced limited schedules for some of its agencies. Workers checked on hundreds of bedridden patients.

Other Puerto Ricans began to plan ahead.

"I'll go to my balcony. That's where I'll sleep," Raul Pacheco said with a shrug, as the 63-year-old diabetic sat on a walker nursing an injured foot.

Julio Cordova, a municipal worker, said he got dressed by the light of his cellphone and planned to buy candles.

"This affects me because I had plans. It couldn't have been yesterday or tomorrow?" he said, shaking his head as he raked leaves.

While blackouts are rare in Puerto Rico, the island struggles with chronic power outages blamed on a crumbling power grid that was razed by Hurricane Maria, a Category 4 storm in September 2017.

The system, however, was already in decline after years of lack of maintenance and investment.

Only recently did crews start making permanent repairs to Puerto Rico's power grid following Hurricane Maria. The island continues to depend on generators provided by the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency to help stabilize the grid.

In November, Puerto Rico's government asked U.S. officials for permission to keep using more than a dozen portable generators for two additional years.

Some Puerto Ricans took the latest outage in stride.

"They're part of my everyday life," said Enid Nuñez, 49, who said she ate breakfast before work thanks to a small gas stove she bought for such events.

Meanwhile, Puerto Rico's Electric Power Authority struggles to restructure more than $9 billion in debt, the largest of the island's government agencies.

Power plants that rely on petroleum generate more than 60% of Puerto Rico's energy, followed by natural gas and coal. Solar rooftops account for only about 7% of electricity consumption on an island with a poverty rate over 40%.



Video captures the moment an unsuspecting man was pushed onto the subway tracks in Chelsea on Tuesday just before a train rushed in. OBTAINED BY DAILY NEWS

Man shoved to tracks just before train passes is critically injured

BY THOMAS TRACY AND RONI JACOBSON
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A 45-year-old man was rushed to the hospital with critical injuries after he was shoved off a Manhattan subway platform onto the tracks Tuesday, cops said.

A man in a ski mask and black bubble jacket shoved the victim onto the tracks at the 1 train subway stop at W. 18th St. in Chelsea at about 1:40 p.m., cops said.

Disturbing video obtained by the Daily News shows two people jump the subway turnstiles while the victim stands on the platform with his back to them, and another man in a black puffer coat walks by.

Suddenly the man in black turns around and lunges at the victim, appearing to deliberately push him onto the tracks with both hands outstretched. Seconds later the train passes by, appearing to run over the victim.

The fare beaters flee, jumping back over the turnstiles while the man in black flees down the platform. It is unclear if any of the men knew each other. The attack appears unprovoked.

"We're still trying to piece that together," a police source said when asked if the fare beaters had any connection to the attack.

Medics rushed the victim to Bellevue Hospital, where he was in critical but stable condition. His identity has not been released.

His attacker ran off but was caught by cops a short distance away, police said. No charges were immediately filed.

It wasn't immediately clear if the victim and his attacker knew each other or if the shove was unprovoked.

Eric tells Guardian Angels behave on subways

BY JOSEPHINE STRATMAN
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Mayor Adams warned Curtis Sliwa and the Guardian Angels to stay in their lane as the volunteer public safety group said they would resume subway patrols in the wake of a woman who was killed after being set on fire on a Brooklyn F train.

"If Curtis wants to be back down in the subway system, if he sees something, he should say something," Adams said Tuesday. "Don't overstep your boundaries, like they did a few months ago when they arrested an innocent person. Let the police do their job."

In February, the group came under fire after members tackled a man in Times Square who they falsely accused of being a shoplifting "migrant." The bizarre incident was aired live as Fox News' Sean Hannity was interviewing Sliwa, who directed a live camera to pan to the scuffle.



The new patrols will consist of conducting wellness checks on people who appear to be homeless, handing out water and reporting issues to the NYPD. The Guardian Angels have at various points announced their return to patrolling the subways and streets, especially following high-profile violent incidents.

Teams of three will walk the trains as they move through the system, the group has said.

"I find it perplexing that Eric Adams would want to discourage volunteers providing help to the unprecedented amount of homeless suffering in our subways every single day," Sliwa said in response to Adams' remarks, adding that the Guardian Angels don't make arrests.



The Angels are looking to expand its membership, putting up flyers in train cars urging straphangers to join.

Sliwa ran for mayor in 2021 on the Republican ticket and is expected to do the same in the upcoming election.

The mayor, speaking at his weekly press briefing, touted the city's dropping crime statistics, saying that despite a few disturbing incidents New York is still safe overall.

"Crime is not surging in the subway system," Adams said. "You know, we have some high-profile incidents and we're really disturbed about it. But overall, crime is lowest."

Public tunes out pols

Survey finds many, especially Dems, skipping TV news since Nov.



People watch debate between Vice President Kamala Harris and Republican Donald Trump at Sports Grill Kendall, where Miami-Dade Democratic Hispanic Caucus had organized a watch party, on Sept. 10 in Miami. Enthusiasm for politics has plunged since the November election. AP

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

As a Democrat who immersed himself in political news during the presidential campaign, Ziad Aunallah has much in common with many Americans since the election.

He's tuned out.

"People are mentally exhausted," said Aunallah, 45, of San Diego. "Everyone knows what is coming, and we are just taking some time off."

Television ratings – and now a poll – illustrate the phenomenon. About two-thirds of American adults say they have recently felt the need to limit media consumption about politics and government because of overload, according to a survey from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

Smaller percentages of Americans are limiting their intake of news about overseas conflicts, the economy or climate change, the poll says. Politics stand out.

Election news on CNN and MSNBC was taking up too much of Sam Gude's time before the election, said the 47-year-old electrician from Lincoln, Neb. "The last thing I want to watch right now is the interregnum," said Gude, a Democrat and no fan of President-elect Donald Trump.

The poll found that about 7 in 10 Democrats say they are stepping back from political news. The percentage isn't as high for Republicans, who have reason to celebrate Trump's victory. Still, about 6 in 10 Republicans say they've felt the need to take some time off, too, and the share for independents is similar.

The differences are far starker for the TV networks that have been consumed by political news.

After Election Night through Dec. 13, the prime-time viewership of MSNBC was an average of 620,000, down 54% from the pre-election audience this year, the Nielsen company said. For the same time comparison, CNN's average of 405,000 viewers was down 45%.

At Fox News Channel, a favorite news network for Trump fans, the postelection average of 2.68 million viewers is up 13%, Nielsen said. Since the election, 72% of the people watching one of those three cable networks in the evening were watching Fox News, compared with 53% prior to Election Day.

A postelection slump for fans of the losing candidate is not a new trend for networks that have become heavily identified for a partisan audience. MSNBC had similar issues after Trump was elected in 2016. Same for Fox in 2020, although that was complicated by anger: Many of its viewers were outraged then by the network's crucial Election Night call of Arizona for the Democratic presidential candidate, Joe Biden, and sought alternatives.

MSNBC had its own anger issues after several "Morning Joe" viewers became upset that hosts Joe Scarborough and Mika Brzezinski visited Trump shortly after his victory last month. Yet while the show's ratings are down 35% since Election Day, that's a smaller drop than the network's prime-time ratings.

CNN points out that while it has been suffering in the television ratings, its streaming and digital ratings have been consistent.

MSNBC can take some solace in history.

In previous years, network ratings bounced back when the depression after an election loss lifted. When a new administration takes office, people who oppose it are frequently looking for a gathering place.

"I'll be tuning back in once the clown show starts," Aunallah said. "You have no choice. Whether or not you want to hear it, it's happening. If you care about your country, you have no choice but to pay attention."

But the ride may not be smooth.

MSNBC's slide is steeper than it was in 2016; and there's some question about whether Trump opponents will want to be as engaged as they were during his first term. People are also unplugging from cable television in rates that are only getting more rapid, although MSNBC believes it has bucked this trend before.

The poll indicates that Americans want less talk about politics from public figures in general. After an election season where endorsements from celebrities like Taylor Swift made headlines, the survey found that Americans are more likely to disapprove than approve of celebrities, large companies and professional athletes speaking out about politics.

Still, Gude is among those discovering other ways to get news to which he does want to pay attention, including on YouTube.

Kathleen Kendrick, 36, a sales rep from Grand Junction, Colo., who's a registered independent voter, said she hears plenty of people spouting off about their political opinions on the job. She wants more depth when she watches the news. Much of what she sees is one-sided and shallow, she said.

"It would be nice if you could get both sides, and more research," she said.

Aunallah is also looking for more depth. He's not interested "in watching the angry man on the corner yelling at me anymore," he said.

"It's kind of their own fault that I'm not watching," he said. "I felt they spent all this time talking about the election. They made it so much of their focus that when the main event ends, why would people want to keep watching?"

The poll of 1,251 adults was conducted Dec. 5-9, using a sample drawn from NORC's probability-based AmeriSpeak Panel, which is designed to be representative of the population. The margin of sampling error for adults overall is plus or minus 3.7 percentage points.

CNN ANCHOR BROWN DIES

Did 17 straight hours of 9/11 coverage in debut on network

BY JOSEPH WILKINSON
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Television news anchor Aaron Brown, known best for his coverage of the 9/11 attacks live on CNN, has died. He was 76.

Brown died Sunday, his family told CNN in a statement on Tuesday. The circumstances of his death remained unclear.

Though Brown had a lengthy career in and around TV journalism, he was best known to the American public for his 17 straight hours of coverage amid the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Brown was not even scheduled to be on air at that time, having been hired months earlier by CNN to host a prime-time news show. But when the planes hit the twin towers, he climbed to the roof of CNN's Manhattan office at 5 Penn Plaza near Madison Square Garden and went to work.

"The South Tower, the second tower. The one on the left collapsed. It collapsed in a cascade of smoke and sparks," Brown told the nation. "This is devastation. There are 50,000 people who normally go to work in the Trade Center buildings."

Brown reported live on the attacks all day. It was the first time he appeared on camera for CNN, and he won the Edward R. Murrow Award for his coverage.

"A million things had been running through my mind about what might happen," Brown said in a 2016 interview. "And it just never occurred to me that they would come down, and it's the only time I thought, 'Maybe you just don't have what it takes to do a story like this.'"

After his day in the spotlight, Brown continued working at CNN until 2005, anchoring "NewsNight." Following his departure, he became a professor at Arizona State University's journalism school.

Before his time at CNN, Brown worked at multiple local stations in Seattle before landing a job at ABC News in 1991. He anchored the network's "World News Now" program and reported for the flagship broadcast "World News Tonight."

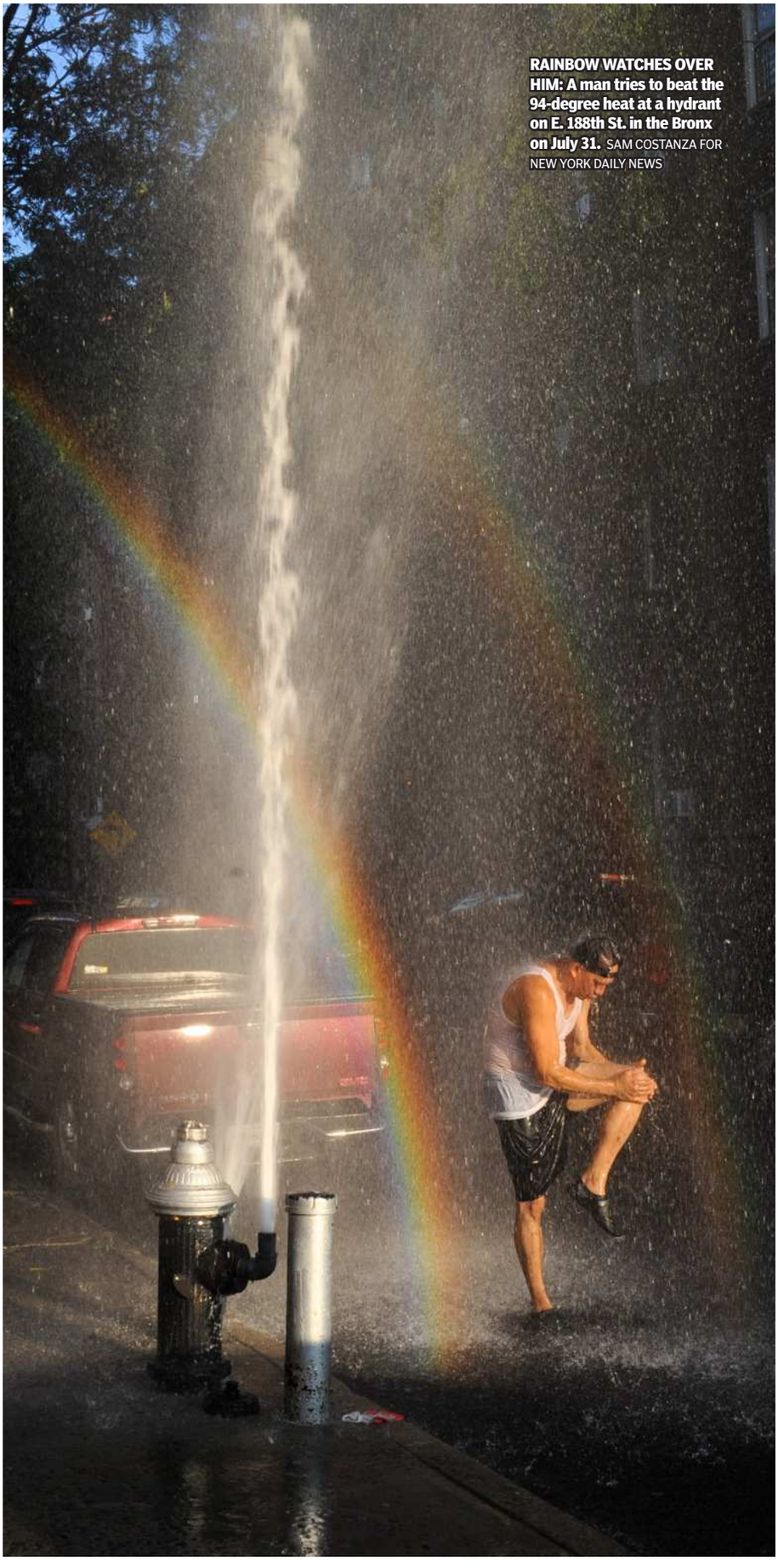
"He was a signature anchor during his prime time," CNN producer David Fitzpatrick told the outlet. "His legacy will mean concise writing, concise presentation and a calm demeanor in the face of crisis. Impactful, insightful, and measured."



CNN anchor Aaron Brown presents news on Oct. 9, 2001. Brown provided gripping coverage from the roof of CNN's Manhattan office as the World Trade Center's South Tower collapsed after the 9/11 terror attack and stayed with the network until 2005. He later became a journalism professor at Arizona State University and died Sunday at 76. GETTY

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THE YEAR IN REVIEW



RAINBOW WATCHES OVER HIM: A man tries to beat the 94-degree heat at a hydrant on E. 188th St. in the Bronx on July 31. SAM COSTANZA FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS





WILL YA LOOK AT THAT! Folks young and old and their sunglasses gather to watch the solar eclipse at a park in Red Hook, Brooklyn, on April 8. GARDINER ANDERSON FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Photos



OLD GLORY SHINES BRIGHTLY: The flag onboard the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Katherine Walker flies proudly in the Hudson River on the Fourth of July amid the annual Macy's fireworks spectacular. LUIZ C. RIBEIRO FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS



MOURNING FOR FINEST SON: Mom of NYPD Probationary Officer Edgar Ordonez is grief-stricken as she's given flag from his coffin at funeral July 18 at Church of St. Anselm & St. Roch in the Bronx. Ordonez died in training days before Police Academy graduation. BARRY WILLIAMS FOR NYDN



TRAGEDY AVERTED: Miraculously, no one was injured when a powerful explosion erupted from an Infiniti QX56 SUV parked on 133rd St. in Queens on Nov. 8. At least four homes were damaged in the blast, with blown-out windows and other property damage observed. An older-model Nissan SUV parked directly across the street was also destroyed. THEODORE PARISIENNE FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS



HEROES REMEMBERED: Fifth Ave. is filled with marchers at the annual Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 11. Veterans Day is observed annually to honor those who served in the United States armed forces. It coincides with holidays in several countries, including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day, which also occur on the anniversary of the end of World War I. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the armistice with Germany went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954. LUIZ C. RIBEIRO FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

THE YEAR IN REVIEW



WEATHER IS NO DETERRENT: Central Park visitors head up the steps from the Bethesda Terrace on Feb. 13. BARRY WILLIAMS FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS



HORRIFIC AND CHILLING: Nicholas McGee, 45, arrested in the murder and dismemberment of his roommate Kawsheen Gelzer, is escorted from the 67th Precinct stationhouse in East Flatbush, Brooklyn, on April 12. THEODORE PARISIENNE FOR NEW YORK DAILY NEWS



HARDHAT INJURED: Construction worker, 34, is taken to New York-Presbyterian Hospital Brooklyn Methodist after he was injured at work on Bond St. in Brooklyn on July 5. THEODORE PARISIENNE FOR NYDN

MISSILES & DRONES HIT KYIV

Russia steps up attacks as Joe sends $2.5B more to Ukraine

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Russian jet fires missile as war in Ukraine grinds into new year. AP

KYIV, Ukraine – Russia launched an aerial attack on Ukraine on Tuesday, striking the capital and other regions with missiles and drones.

Ukraine's air force reported a ballistic missile threat at 3 a.m., with at least two explosions heard in Kyiv minutes later. Another missile alert was issued at 8 a.m. followed by at least one explosion in the city. Missile debris fell in the Darnytskyi district of the capital with no reports of casualties or damage, the local administration said.

Authorities in the northeastern Sumy region reported strikes near the city of Shostka, where the mayor, Mykola Noha, said 12 residential buildings had been damaged as well as two educational facilities. He said some "social infrastructure objects" were destroyed, without providing detail.

The air force also reported missiles and drones targeting several other regions of Ukraine.

In Moscow, the Russian Defense Ministry said that its forces successfully struck a Ukrainian air base and a gunpowder factory.

Around half of Ukraine's energy infrastructure has been destroyed during the war, and rolling electricity blackouts are common and widespread.

Kyiv's Western allies have provided air defense systems to help Ukraine protect critical infrastructure, but Russia has sought to overwhelm its air defenses with combined strikes involving large numbers of missiles and drones.

Russian attacks come as uncertainty looms over the course of the nearly three-year conflict. President-elect Donald Trump, who takes office Jan. 20, has vowed to end the war and has thrown into doubt whether vital U.S. military support for Kyiv will continue.

On Monday, President Biden announced that the United States will send an additional $2.5 billion in weapons to Ukraine as his administration works quickly to spend all the money it has available to help Kyiv fight off Russia before Trump takes office.

Ukraine has struck back at Russia with a steady barrage of missile and drone attacks throughout the year.

Early Tuesday, Russia's Defense Ministry said that air defenses shot down 68 Ukrainian drones over several regions early Tuesday and sank eight uncrewed boats in the Black Sea.

The head of the Smolensk region in western Russia, Vasily Anokhin, said drone fragments fell on the territory of an oil depot, sparking a blaze.

In Russia-occupied Crimea, the Moscow-appointed head of the city of Sevastopol, Mikhail Razvozhayev, said that Russian defenses downed four aerial drones attacking the city and sank two uncrewed boats near the shore.

Meanwhile, Ukraine's Military Intelligence Directorate, known under its acronym GUR, claimed that one of its naval drones on Tuesday shot down a Russian helicopter with a missile, marking the first time an aerial target was destroyed by an uncrewed vessel.

It said a MaguraV5 naval drone downed a Russian Mi-8 helicopter with an R-73 missile near Cape Tarkhankut, the westernmost point of the Crimean Peninsula. Another Russian helicopter was damaged but managed to reach an airfield, GUR said.

Russia has held the initiative this year as its military has steadily rammed through Ukrainian defenses in the east in a series of slow but steady offensives.

Still, in August, Ukraine launched a raid into Russia's Kursk region that caught Moscow by surprise, dealing a significant blow to the Kremlin's prestige. The Russian Army has been able to reclaim some territory of the area there from Ukrainian forces but has failed to fully dislodge them.



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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

History in S. Korea as court orders prez detained

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEOUL, South Korea – A South Korean court issued warrants Tuesday to detain impeached President Yoon Suk Yeol and search his office and residence over allegations of rebellion in connection with his short-lived declaration of martial law.

It's the first time a warrant has been issued to detain a sitting South Korean president. But experts say there is little chance of detention or searches unless Yoon is formally removed from office.

The Seoul Western District Court issued warrants to detain Yoon and search the presidential office and residence in central Seoul, according to a statement from the Corruption Investigation Office for High-Ranking Officials, which is leading a joint investigation with police and military authorities.

The agency says it has been investigating whether Yoon's Dec. 3 declaration amounted to rebellion.

Under South Korean law, the leader of a rebellion can face the death penalty or life imprisonment if convicted. Yoon has presidential immunity from most criminal prosecutions, but the privilege does not extend to allegations of rebellion or treason.

Yoon's powers have been suspended since the opposition-controlled National Assembly voted Dec. 14 to impeach him over his imposition of martial law, during which hundreds of troops and police officers were deployed at the assembly. By law, a president in South Korea is allowed to declare martial law only during wartime or similar emergencies and has no right to suspend parliament's operations even under martial law.

Yoon has argued that his decree was a legitimate act of governance, calling it a warning to the main liberal opposition Democratic Party – which he has called "a monster" and "anti-state forces" and claims sympathizes with North Korea – that has used its legislative majority to impeach top officials and undermine the government's budget.



Supporters of impeached South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol stage a rally Tuesday in Seoul after a court issued warrants to detain him. AP

The Constitutional Court is to determine whether to dismiss Yoon as president or reinstate him.

Experts said Yoon is likely to ignore the warrants. He has already dodged repeated requests by investigative authorities to appear for questioning, and the presidential security service has blocked attempts to search his office and residence, citing a law that bans raids on sites with state secrets.

Yoon Kap-keun, a lawyer for the president, called the detainment warrant "invalid" and "illegal," saying the anti-corruption agency lacks legal authority to investigate rebellion charges. The presidential security service said it will provide security to Yoon in accordance with the law.

The anti-corruption agency said it has no immediate plans on when it would proceed with the warrants.

"Unless Yoon voluntarily lets them detain him, there is no way to detain him," said Choi Jin, director of the Seoul-based Institute of Presidential Leadership. "Should investigators have hand-to-hand fights with the security service?"

Choi said investigators were still likely to visit Yoon's residence to show they are strictly and fairly carrying out their work.

Park Sung-min, president of Seoul-based political consulting firm MIN Consulting, said the push for an arrest warrant is likely an attempt to pressure Yoon to cooperate with investigations.

Yoon's imposition of martial law lasted only six hours but triggered huge political turmoil, halting high-level diplomacy and rattling financial markets..

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People stand with balloons to mark the new year near a marketplace Tuesday in Damascus, Syria. Joy and relief have flooded the country after the ouster of detested strongman Bashar Assad. AP

WAR & FRAGILE HOPES

Middle East, from Syria to Gaza, a mix as new year begins

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAMASCUS – In Damascus, the streets were buzzing with excitement Tuesday as Syrians welcomed in a new year that seemed to many to bring a promise of a brighter future after the unexpected fall of Bashar Assad's government weeks earlier.

While Syrians in the capital looked forward to a new beginning after the ousting of Assad, the mood was more somber along Beirut's Mediterranean promenade, where residents shared cautious hopes for the new year, reflecting on a country still reeling from war and ongoing crises.

War-weary Palestinians in Gaza who lost their homes and loved ones in 2024 saw little hope that 2025 would bring an end to their suffering.

The past year was a dramatic one in the Middle East, bringing calamity to some and hope to others. Across the region, it felt foolish to many to attempt to predict what the next year might bring.

In Damascus, Abir Homsi said she is optimistic about a future for her country that would include peace, security and freedom of expression and would bring Syrian communities previously divided by battle lines back together.

"We will return to how we once were, when people loved each other, celebrated together whether it is Ramadan or Christmas or any other holiday – no restricted areas for anyone," she said.

But for many, the new year and new reality carried with it reminders of the painful years that came before.

Abdulrahman al-Habib, from the eastern Syrian city of Deir el-Zour, had come to Damascus in hopes of finding relatives who were arrested under Assad's rule and then disappeared. He was at the capital's Marjeh Square, where relatives of the missing have taken to posting photos of their loved ones in search of any clue to their whereabouts.

"We hope that in the new year, our status will be better ... and peace will prevail in the whole Arab world," he said.

In Lebanon, a tenuous ceasefire brought a halt to fighting between Israel and the Hezbollah militant group a little over a month ago. The country battered by years of economic collapse, political instability and a series of calamities since 2019, continues to grapple with uncertainty, but the truce brought at least a brief return to normal life.

Some families flocked to the Mzaar Ski Resort in the mountains northeast of Beirut on Tuesday to enjoy the day in the snow, even though the resort had not officially opened.

"What happened and what's still happening in the region, especially in Lebanon recently, has been very painful," said Youssef Haddad, who came to ski with his family. "We have great hope that everything will get better."

On Beirut's seaside corniche, Mohammad Mohammad from the village of Marwahin in southern Lebanon was strolling with his three children.

"I hope peace and love prevail next year, but it feels like more (challenges) await us," he said.

Mohammad was among the tens of thousands displaced during more than a year of conflict between Hezbollah and Israel. Now living in Jadra, a town that was also bombarded during the conflict, he awaits the end of a 60-day period, after which the Israeli army is required to withdraw under the conditions of a French and U.S.-brokered ceasefire.

"Our village was completely destroyed," Mohammad said. His family would spend a quiet evening at home, he said. This year "was very hard on us. I hope 2025 is better than all the years that passed."

In Gaza – where the war between Hamas and Israel has killed more than 45,500 Palestinians, brought massive destruction and displaced most of the enclave's population – few saw cause for optimism in the new year.

"The year 2024 was one of the worst years for all Palestinian people. It was a year of hunger, displacement, suffering and poverty," said Nour Abu Obaid, a displaced woman from northern Gaza.

Obaid, whose 10-year-old child was killed in a strike in what had been designated as a "humanitarian zone" in Muwasi, said she didn't expect anything good in 2025. "We expect the worst," she said.

The war was sparked by the Oct. 7, 2023, Hamas-led terror attack on southern Israel in which gunmen killed around 1,200 people and abducted about 250.

Ismail Salih, who lost his home and livelihood, expressed hopes for an end to the war in 2025 so that Gaza's people can start rebuilding their lives.

The year that passed "was all war and all destruction," he said. "Our homes are gone, our trees are gone, our livelihood is lost."

In the coming year, Salih hopes Palestinians can "live like the rest of the people of the world, in security, reassurance and peace."

Meanwhile, the U.S. military has launched airstrikes targeting military facilities belonging to Yemen's Houthi rebels in the capital, Sanaa.

DAILY NEWS
EDITORIAL

What we learned in 2024

This last decade has, to some of us at least, felt like a century. In 2024, the lessons we learned piled up locally, nationally and around the globe.

Despite a culture that often tells us that age is nothing but a number, we learned that time takes its toll on individuals in highly consequential ways. We began 2024 with an unpopular incumbent president running for reelection. After one agonizing evening on the debate stage in June, it was clear that a scattered, sluggish, unfocused Joe Biden had no chance of defeating Donald Trump – who, though roughly the same age, maintains much of the ability to be dishonestly and deviously persuasive.

So down went Biden, flat on the mat. And up sprung his vice president, Kamala Harris, the consensus choice and one who, at least for a time, seemed to have many more strengths and many fewer liabilities than her boss.

We learned that the Biden baggage, and her own, weighed far more heavily on her than many thought it would. Despite a national economy with powerfully positive fundamentals, American voters in large numbers were exasperated with consumer prices that had risen sharply during the Biden-Harris term.

They were frustrated about high levels of undocumented immigration. They were convinced (against the evidence) that the nation is in the midst of a crime wave. And – despite siding with abortion rights overwhelming – in too many other cases, they felt culturally abandoned by a Democratic Party that seemed to put progressive ideology over common sense and pragmatism.

We learned that even in heavily Democratic big cities, thought to be protective of undocumented immigrants and profoundly resistant to Republican solutions, these factors and others were enough to swing people heavily toward returning to office a man who sought to overturn the results of the 2020 election, and who's promised mass deportations, and who's insulted those very cities as crime-ridden hell holes.

Along the way, we learned that political violence is a thing of America's present, not only its past. Not once but twice was the Republican nominee for president shot at, with the first attempt mere inches away from likely taking his life.

We learned that Americans will support a candidate even when he's been convicted of felonies by a jury, if they're convinced the charges were politically motivated. We learned that gravely serious federal charges related to mishandling confidential documents and seeking to overturn the results of a free and fair democratic election will effectively get washed away by a combination of sympathetic Supreme Court rulings and pure political power.

A year ago, Mayor Adams was entering the second half of his first term in office attempting to make major progress toward key goals. At the end of 2024, he simultaneously stands much more accomplished and deeply wounded.

The accomplishments are nothing to sneeze at: New York has for the first time in generations changed its zoning rules, paving the way to produce much more housing, an essential statement that this city, which remains in intense demand, whose residents struggle with rents that rise and rise and rise, will work hard to build more places for more people at all income levels to live.

Garbage is getting put in containers to make life better for people and worse for rats. Unlicensed cannabis stores that a year ago pock-marked the urban landscape have been shuttered on block after block (though plenty remain). Murders and shootings are down.

But the struggles are perhaps symptomatic of another problem. Members of Adams' most trusted inner circle have been probed for various and sundry types of wrongdoing and are being forced out of his administration every few days now.

The U.S. Justice Department has formally arrested and accused the mayor himself of trading campaign donations and favors from Turkish officials for official government actions – marking the 110th mayor the first one to be indicted while in office. The nation's biggest city has had its share of corrupt leaders, but none of them had to face trial while in office; barring a pardon by the president or some other attempt to wipe away the case, that trial arrives this spring.

We learned that this is not the only huge challenge Adams faces in this reelection year. His signature promise, to make the city as safe as it was before the pandemic arrived, remains elusive. Overall crime and violent crime remain significantly elevated, with felony assaults, one of the scariest and most common offenses, rising year after year. And the city's most precious common space, its subways, have been crime scenes far too often – including for 11 homicides.

We learned that the persistent presence underground of individuals in the throes of serious mental illness weighs on everyday commuters, so much so that a man who put one such individual in a debilitating chokehold that turned fatal was acquitted by a jury of his peers.

We learned that public transit is more than a fragile public space. It is a creaking infrastructure in desperate need of help – which should finally, at long last, be on the way.

In 2024, the half-century-old goal of charging cars to enter Manhattan's core in order to fund public transit and alleviate congestion could finally come thisclose to the finish line, only to get knocked off course for the umpteenth time. Only to be resurrected again, and finally now on the cusp of implementation. The undermining and resurrection were both courtesy of the same governor who now has to contend with an incoming federal administration that is opposed.

We learned that computers trained on billions and billions of documents produced by human intelligence can often sound as smart as humans. Can often write as well as humans, and can produce images and videos that look and feel indistinguishable from reality. We learned that in the face of such astonishing advances, the new world of AI and drones and unmanned vehicles is at least for now creating nearly as many problems as it purports to solve.

Far beyond the five boroughs, we learned that the planet is scarred by both a changing climate and seemingly irreconcilable conflicts. In Europe and the Mideast and elsewhere, violence rages and innocents die. In the corridors of power, some are in the right and some are in the wrong, but more importantly on the ground, millions are caught in crossfire, suffering. We learned that war, humanity's earliest invention, remains its most durable.

May the year 2025 be a better one for all.

Defying gravity after a wicked 2024

BE OUR GUEST

BY CAROLINE AIKEN KOSTER

With prowling drones terrifying as flying monkeys, I finally saw "Wicked." I traveled the yellow brick road alone but met Ella, a pre-teen witch in emerald sequins and pointy high tops.

Amped on holiday sweets and dreary news, had I conjured this sorceress? Nah. When she snarked, "nope, not short for Elphaba," then sweetly hummed "Defying Gravity," I recognized a real Brooklyn girl.

Ella advised the film was only Part I. We'd learn who wins the good witch/bad witch battle royale in 2025.

Oh my, Hollywood! Surrender *another* 20 bucks to glimpse Dorothy?

Curses, my pretties, and your greedy double-dips too.

Frankly, after a divisive year and unprecedented violence, I didn't mind snuggling with strangers to escape the gloom. In tough times, collective experience unites us. Give me pot-banging, Lady Liberty ticker-tape or scanning the Western sky, not for witches or UFOs, but together, awed by the eclipse.

No surprise Pew Research's year-end roundup noted global pessimism about leadership, democracy, politics and economics entering 2025.

Many of us, at some point, in this fraught year, have been labeled "wicked." Ask working moms how quickly the fall from good witch status. Or anyone whose politics diverge from prevailing winds.

Lately, everything whipsaws between good and evil. Executing a CEO father in Midtown was once wicked, but now the perp has ghoulish cheerleaders. A Good Samaritan straphanger was prosecuted, acquitted and soared from lockup to Army-Navy VIP in the click of a slipper.

City Hall and NYPD are stinking cauldrons of scandal, but pardons are floated before facts bubble up. Congestion pricing flies in every direction. I thought accused sorceresses were only burned at the stake abroad until a monster torched a woman on the F train.

It's enough to send a girl escaping to the theater, seeking a magic wand. Somebody conjure movie magic and a coven of New Yorkers for two hours of joy.

I confess a soft-spot for "Wicked." Long ago and faraway, during Pandemic Times, Broadway was shuttered for 18 months. Feeling like Munchkins in Oz, my family cheered the Big Apple back to life for 10 minutes when "Wicked" reopened and a curtain rose on hope.

There really is no place like home.

Ella's youthful charm bewitched me. Our cinema thrummed with families, not Elphaba green, but five borough shades. Girl Scouts, book clubs and tweens buzzed the joint like a Bronx quinceañera.

Settling in, I imagined worse places to be next year.

We know how "The Wizard of Oz" ends. Ditto 1975's "The Wiz," where Diana Ross and Michael Jackson "ease on down the road" past iconic NYC landmarks to a glittering World Trade Center Oz.

Growing up watching the fable in Louisville with my schoolteacher mom, I suspected deeper drama beneath Dorothy's gingham. Young New Yorkers sense lions, tigers and bears lurking too. Like a Yankee Auntie Em, I wanted to whisper *"Don't worry, Ella. The world feels so dangerous, but courage, brains, heart and gumption in the face of disaster can still power our dreams ... if we all pitch in."*

Discovering the void behind the wizard's curtain, and that brave and gritty girls, even those not in Kansas (or Kentucky) anymore, can achieve most anything, translated across generations just fine.

Sure, the film's political, but shucks, Scarecrow, you're dozing in a poppy field if you don't think we'll still be debating censorship, human rights, violence, propaganda, and bullying this time next year. Managing will take more than wishes and crystal balls. We'll need our young people thoughtful and aware and ethical leaders doing their jobs.

The joyous comradery of a New York audience never disappoints. Our crowd cheered cheeky Bowen Yang of "Saturday Night Live" and Broadway's original witches – Kristin Chenoweth and Idina Menzel.

We hollered together when one labeled wicked, buoyed by her younger self, stumbled, then stretched, to the sky. Broom and high notes soaring, suddenly I was eager for Part II – onscreen *and* a 2025 do-over.

New York really does deserve a chance to fly.

Let us all resolve to dig in, do right by our great city and try.

"Same time, same spot, next year?" I asked Ella, credits rolling. "I'll be older then," she answered, already wiser. "Not sure where I'll be."

We both agreed to spend 2025 defying gravity.

Wrapping up a wicked turn of division, fear and strife, I'll gladly reup another 20 bucks to sit with somebody else's daughter – or son – in hopes we've all flown a little higher by this time next year.

Koster is a New York lawyer.

BRAMHALL'S WORLD



N.Y. must lead the way on mental health in 2025

BE OUR GUEST

BY LETITIA JAMES

During the holiday season, as we shop and dine with family and friends, we often turn our gaze away from individuals in the throes of mental illness on our streets and subways. But we can no longer ignore the obvious. It's time we recognize that our mental health system is broken and take a hard look at our approach to care and mental hygiene laws in New York State.

The numbers are stark. Three million New Yorkers live with mental illness, yet one-third do not get the treatment they need. Anxiety, depression, and substance use disorders have skyrocketed since the pandemic, leaving individuals, families, and entire communities to grapple with an immense mental health burden. Too many people continue to suffer in silence, unable to access the care they need.

These challenges are particularly dire for the New Yorkers living on our streets, in subways, and in correctional facilities. Individuals in these situations need intervention, treatment, and support. Far too often, they face stigmatization and incarceration instead.

This systematic failure underscores the urgency of a reimagined approach to mental health care. Despite progress in breaking the stigma surrounding mental health, resources remain limited, and help is often out of reach.

This is a crisis we can no longer ignore.

The solution requires more than awareness – it requires bold action: more funding, stronger legislation, and a commitment to accessible, equitable mental health resources. Mental health care is as vital as physical health care, yet it has not received the same level of investment, policy attention, or societal priority. It's time to change that.

First, we need to invest in mental health care. New York State has taken steps toward improving access to treatment, but we must go further. We must ensure that mental health services are not just available but easily accessible and affordable for every New Yorker, regardless of income or zip code.

We need to raise salaries for mental health professionals to address workforce shortages and expand funding for programs that serve vulnerable populations. Critically, we must further expand psychiatric hospital beds by increasing reimbursement rates, with a focus on pediatric and geriatric care.

Second, we need to strengthen our community-based system of care. Community-based care is essential to addressing the interconnected challenges of mental illness and homelessness. We must support holistic approaches to care like Venture and Fountain House – resident clubs that provide housing, medical, and supportive services to members under one roof. This can transform the lives of those struggling with mental illness and housing instability.

To support New Yorkers living on our streets and subways, Congress must also pass the Strengthening Medicaid for Serious Mental Illness Act, allowing states to use Medicaid dollars for intensive, community-based mental health services.

Third, we need to reimagine our response to mental health crises. Too many New Yorkers in crisis end up in jails, emergency rooms, or worse, rather than receiving the care they need.

Our criminal justice system is not designed to address the nuanced needs of individuals with mental illness, often compounding their struggles instead of offering meaningful care. Diverting people experiencing mental health crises into specialized courts offers a path forward, addressing root causes rather than punishing actions.

It is time to start treating mental health crises as a public health issue rather than a public safety threat. We must pass Daniel's Law and the Treatment Not Jail Act to create the infrastructure necessary to separate mental health response from the carceral system.

Lastly, we need to keep pushing for true mental health parity and universality under the law. Psychiatric issues are physical issues, and mental health care must be treated the same as a broken bone or torn ligament. We need to do more to ensure parity in service, coverage, and compensation so that everyone can get the help they need. Additionally, insurance companies must be held accountable, ending ghost networks of non-existent providers.

It's time for lawmakers to commit to expanding mental health funding, supporting comprehensive care, and addressing the systemic barriers that prevent people from receiving the care they need.

As New Yorkers, we pride ourselves on resilience and compassion. Now, we must act boldly to make mental health care a cornerstone of our commitment to equity and justice. Together, we can create a world where mental health care is not a privilege – it is a right. Let us act now to break the cycle of criminalization and build a more compassionate society for all.

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An elegy for a noble statesman and human being

Manhattan: A man for all seasons / Full of grace and dignity / We lost President Jimmy Carter Sunday / Decency, kindness, integrity / He led a life of service / With many accomplishments / A man of faith and charity / Deserving of accolades and compliments / He lived for 100 years / A true gentleman and patriot / A loving husband, father, granddad, friend / With a legacy that's radiant.

The pride of Plains, Ga. / The 39th president of the United States / Christian values, warm and charming / He was one of the greats / From a peanut farmer to governor / Elected president / A firm advocate of human rights / His love for all mankind was evident / He volunteered for Habitat for Humanity / Building houses for the poor / Working tirelessly alongside his beloved Rosalynn / He was always prepared and eager to do more.

A Nobel Peace Prize winner / He taught Sunday school / Jimmy Carter was a shining example / Of how to live each day following the golden rule / A true statesman and humanitarian / We mourn his loss today / But the legacy of this man of purpose and principle / Grows more meaningful with every passing day.

So a fond farewell, President Carter / As you join Rosalynn, your best friend and wife / You will be missed and remembered / For the gracious and unselfish way you lived your life / As the world says goodbye to President James Earl Carter / We will always honor, remember and celebrate / This man of wisdom, goodness and love / Who worked his whole life to make our country great. *Phoebe Celentano*



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Christ-like

Bronx: President Jimmy Carter. What a man. He was the epitome of loyalty, faithfulness, decency and kindness. He was not a schoolyard bully. The amount of good he did in the world after his presidency is unparalleled. The most impactful thing was work to eradicate the guinea worm in Africa, which affected millions of people, mostly children. He saved countless lives by doing this. He paired up with Habitat for Humanity to build houses for the poor with his own two hands. He was a carpenter. Jesus was a carpenter. He was what I understand a true Christian to be – selfless, humble, kind. RIP, Jimmy Carter (in 1986 photo). Don't know if we will ever see your kind again. Give a hug to your beautiful and faithful wife Rosalynn for me. *Pauline Graham Binder*

One to emulate

Swarthmore, Pa.: Jimmy Carter, our 39th president, died on Sunday in his beloved hometown of Plains, Ga. Carter rose from an impoverished and humble upbringing to reach the pinnacle of power and prestige, but he never forgot who he was. He held on to the values of his faith and his humanity throughout his long 100 years of life. The merits of his presidency can be debated, and some historians feel that it has been underestimated, but there is no mistaking the greatness and productivity of his post-presidential life. Above all, Carter exemplified a life well-lived, built around kindness, decency and service to others in need. He was the ultimate "mensch," a good and decent person. In today's political era when these characteristics feel so lacking, let us keep in mind how he realized the American dream and did it in a manner that was inspiring and beyond reproach. *Ken Derow*

Help and get help

Brooklyn: The new year needs expectations that people recognize the importance of their health (mental and physical) and the health of humanity. Non-violence needs to be at the top of the list – in the family, in the community environment, schools, the world and importantly, within the self. The number 988 is to be remembered, as it is there to call for helping yourself when needed, or others. We must find a way, and appropriate communication is a good beginning. Bring back love in thinking. *Louis Cohen*

Keep writing

Bayside: Thanks to Voicer Bob Pascarella for his many common-sense letters. It is sad that the VOP allows numerous personal attacks upon him. I would like to inform all his detractors to keep your hatred to yourselves. No one cares for your negativity and nasty comments. Thanks again, Bob. Hoping for future letters from you in the new year. *Timothy Collins*

Buckle up

Manhattan: My hope for all of my fellow Voicers, if you're not at that point in your life already, is to prepare diligently for the tough times ahead because a majority of government officials do not care about the public. It will get worse in the world moving forward. Cheers to 2025 to those who don't drink the Kool-Aid! *Omar Branch*

The people have spoken

Manhattan: To Voicer Martin Sandok: Want to see a Kool-Aid drinker? Got a mirror handy? When will you liberals accept the fact that mainstream America rejected your agenda? Get over it and zip it already. Enough is enough. *Robert Zatz*

Played for pork

Brentwood, L.I.: Why hasn't the media covered the real reason that a continuing resolution was even needed ("House passes 11th hour funding bill," Dec. 21)? The House of Representatives passed all the standard annual appropriations and sent them to the Senate, where Chuck Schumer would not bring them up for a vote. He knew that doing it the normal way wouldn't let the Democrats add their pork projects. So instead, he forced the need for a continuing resolution. I ask you: Why is Schumer not being blamed? *W. J. Van Sickle*

Report them

Manhattan: New York has finally joined many other states and banned the sale of dogs and cats in pet stores – very welcome news because there is much suffering in this industry. The recent op-ed "N.Y. bans the sale of puppy mill pets" (Dec. 29) failed to mention an important amendment, Intro 1018a. It prohibits backyard breeding: "Animals shall not be sold or held for sale in a dwelling in which a person lives or at any other location that is not licensed thereof." This means it is now illegal for people to breed their cats or dogs and sell them without a license on social media or the street. This includes bodega owners who refuse to spay their cats so they can sell their kittens to make money. If you become aware of this, get proof and report it to the NYPD. *Elizabeth Forel*

Unpunished

Rochdale Village: Jordan Neely got no jail time for breaking a 67-year-old woman's jaw? What? Holy cow, and the suits, pols and hand-wringing, woke progressives wonder how to properly fund public transportation? Which would explain why they don't go after the almost $1 billion in uncollected fares annually – it wouldn't be woke! And I'm a lifelong Dem lib. *Saul Rothenberg*

Moved the line

Long Island City: Janno Lieber's tolling plan was changed near the finish line to include the few blocks from 57th St., the original northern border for the congestion tolling Midtown Manhattan northern border, to 60th St. The "why" was apparently a need for more money from those drivers leaving north of Midtown to cross the 59th St. bridge back to Queens. It's a bridge toll. Fiendishly, there is no toll when driving from Queens over the same bridge when exiting at 62nd St. So, I and other outpatients can visit their physicians uptown toll-free, but can't flee – er, exit – Manhattan to Queens without the troll – er, toll. *D. Ohlmeyer*

Missed the point

Bronx: Voicer Nick Smith states that pro-Palestinian protesters were yelling at Zionists on college campuses. He ignores that Jewish students were threatened, assaulted and prevented from going to class. His hatred of Israel prevents him from relating to the facts. *Michael Abbey*

No fun

New Milford, Conn.: I have been a loyal reader of the Daily News for the past 55 years. What's up with the TV Crossword by Ricky Cruz? He has made it so difficult! It used to be challenging but fun to do. Please return to the old format. *Dan Carriero*

Just trash

New Rochelle, N.Y.: I have been a regular customer for more than 29 years. I always do the crossword puzzles, Word Search and Find the Difference. I have seen other people complain about Ricky Cruz. I am adding my name to that list. His crossword puzzles are horrible. Please get him off the crosswords. When I see his puzzles, I rip them out of the page and throw them away. *Nancy Peterkin*

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Mom charged with leaving infant in bag on Bx. street

BY THOMAS TRACY
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

The mother of a newborn girl who left the infant in a tote bag outside a Bronx neighbor's home turned herself in to cops and has been charged with abandonment, police said Tuesday.

Delfina Galvez, 28, surrendered at the 46th Precinct stationhouse Monday after cops began a full-court press search for her.

She left her baby wrapped in blankets in a reusable tote bag outside a brick house on Rev. James A. Polite Ave. near E. 167th St. in East Tremont early Sunday, according to cops.

A neighbor soon saw the bag and heard crying, and police were notified in a 5:59 a.m. 911 call.

"I didn't want to mess up any evidence, but it was too cold," Mamadou Hafiz Jallow told PIX11. "I picked up the baby [and] put it inside the house where it was warm."



NYPD

Believed to be only about five days old, the girl was taken by medics to Jacobi Medical Center and is in stable condition.

New York's Abandoned Infant Protection Act allows people to anonymously abandon a baby up to 30 days old, but only if the infant is left at a safe place like a hospital or firehouse and only if someone is notified.

Cops released surveillance footage Monday of the woman (photo) who left the baby and asked the public's help identifying her and tracking her down. In the video she's seen wearing a surgical face mask and carrying a green tote bag as she walks down a rain-swept sidewalk.

Galvez turned out to live just down the block from where she left her child, police said.

Cops charged her with abandonment of a child, reckless endangerment and acting in a manner injurious to a child.

Her arraignment in Bronx Criminal Court was pending Tuesday.

Slain in Bronx deli hours after shooting of 6

BY EMMA SEIWELL AND THOMAS TRACY
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A 28-year-old man was shot to death at a Bronx deli around the corner from his home, police said Tuesday.

Daquan Andrews was inside the Eltareb Deli Grocery on Home St. near Prospect Ave. in the South Bronx when he was shot in the chest at about 8:30 p.m. Monday, cops said.

Andrews got to Lincoln Hospital by private means, where he later died.

The gunman ran off. No arrests have been made.

A motive for the shooting was not immediately released.

The shooting happened just three hours after six people were shot in another Bronx grocery, cops said.

Those victims include a mom and her 12-year-old daughter whom the intended targets of the shooting used as "human shields," police said.

Two gunmen opened fire in the middle of White Plains Road in Williamsbridge – about 5 miles from where Andrews was shot – striking six people.

"I heard shots. I don't know how many. After the shots people start running," said a 29-year-old man who works on the block near the scene and who gave his name as Adama.

"At that time I get two, three customers here. They all run," he added. Two of his customers ran before receiving their food. "They were scared, yeah," he said.

Adama, who immigrated to New York City from Gambia a year ago, wasn't immediately sure he heard gunshots but suspected that was what the noise was. "When you hear something like boom boom usually it's a shooting," he said.

The mom and daughter were standing at the counter of a bodega when the shooters, who ranged in age from 18 to 21, opened fire outside. The intended targets of the shooting then ran into the bodega, bumped into the pair, and spun them around to use as "human shields," NYPD Chief of Department John Chell said.

"What we know by video so far is we have two shooters running across White Plains Road shooting at a group of people in front of the convenience store," who then ran into the store, "grabbed" the mom and daughter to use as barriers to the bullet barrage, Chell said.

All six victims were treated for non-life-threatening wounds. No arrests have been made.

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DEATH NOTICES

The New York Daily News extends condolences to the families and loved ones of those who have passed.

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Death Notices

McQuade, Marie



It is with great sadness we announce the passing of our matriarch, Marie McQuade. On December 28, 2024, Marie passed peacefully in her home, surrounded by loved ones.



Marie received her Bachelor of Arts and Masters of Science in Education degrees from Brooklyn College. She then went on to receive her Masters of Library Science from Queens College. Marie was a school teacher and librarian for over 30 years. In her free time Marie was an avid bingo player, loved traveling and spending time with her family.

She was the loving mother to Mark(Renee), John(Veronika), Gary(Susan) and our beloved Donna Zurlo in heaven; she leaves behind 7 grandchildren Gina,Janine,Anthony, John,Angela,Gina and Rosalie as well as 16 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her beloved grandson Joseph and her brother Henry. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her!

Viewing hours will be held Friday, January 3, from 2-7PM at Coney Island Memorial Chapel.

A funeral mass will be held Saturday, January 4, at 10am at Our Lady Of Solace. Followed by her entombment at Resurrection Cemetery in Staten Island.

Ramos Sr, George James



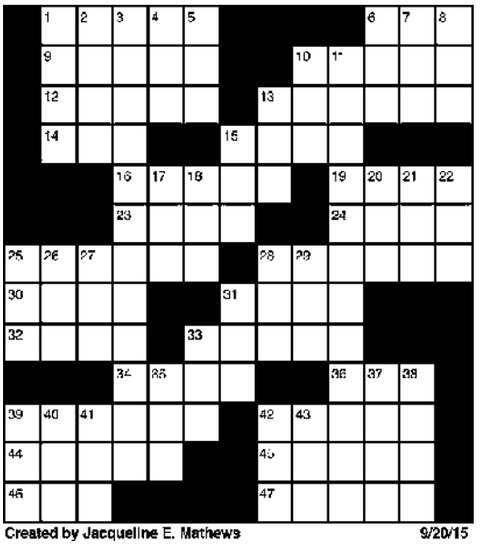
George James Ramos Sr., 66, of the Lower East Side of Manhattan, passed peacefully on December 28, 2024, surrounded by family. Loving partner of 48 years and husband of 41 years to Eva Nidia Gonzalez Ramos. Devoted father of 7, proud grandfather of 6, and a skilled plumber. Known for his humor, kindness, and love. Services: January 3, 2025, 4 PM, Ortiz Funeral Home, 4425 Broadway, NY, NY.

BONUS PUZZLE PAGE

An extra array of word games, search and other tests to help you pass the time at home

TV CROSSWORD

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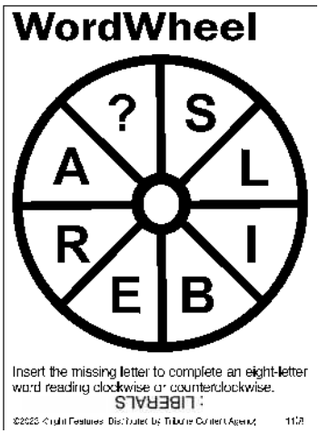
ACROSS
1 "Wheel of Fortune" purchase
6 "__ Always Sunny in Philadelphia"
9 Take __; disassemble
10 Actor Cibrian
12 Frasier's brother
13 "__: You're the One That I Want!"
14 Snakelike fish
15 Parsley, sage, rosemary or thyme
16 Head of a monastery
19 Split; fissure
23 Talon
24 "Don't have __, man!"; comment from Bart Simpson
25 Former talk show host Dick
28 "Candid __"
30 Gregory Peck's role in "Moby Dick"
31 Actress Winningham
32 Intl. military alliance
33 Mulgrew and Winslet
34 Martin or Cain
36 Henry Zebrowski's "A to Z" role
39 "The Sonny and Cher __ Hour"
42 Couples
44 Ladd and Thicke
45 Actress Moorehead
46 Susan of "L.A. Law"
47 Late movie critic Ebert

DOWN
1 Weathercock
2 Mayberry resident
3 Eamonn Walker's role on "Chicago Fire"
4 Before, to a poet
5 Titles for Columbo and others: abbr.
6 Ms. Lupino
7 "...__ the season to be jolly..."
8 "Now You __ Me"; Jesse Eisenberg thriller
10 Goof up
11 "The Mysteries of Laura" actress
13 "How to __ Away with Murder"
15 "__ I Met Your Mother"
17 Sandwich choice, for short
18 "__ Masterson"
20 __-T; "Law & Order: SVU" actor
21 "Grounded __ Life"
22 Defunct airline
25 "Catch Me If You __"; Leonardo DiCaprio movie
26 Cry of discovery
27 Large tub
28 "__ on a Hot Tin Roof"
29 "Car 54, Where __ You?"
31 "A Gifted __"
33 Actress __ Panabaker
35 Bradley and Begley
37 "One __ Hill"
38 "Back in the __"; Beatles song
39 Inconsiderate jerk
40 "Grand __ Opry"
41 Melinda __; role on "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D."
42 __ for the course; normal
43 Not long __; recently



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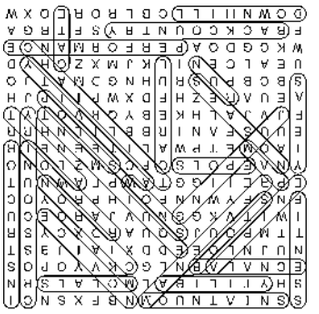
WORD WHEEL



Insert the missing letter to complete an eight-letter word reading clockwise or counterclockwise.

LIBERALS

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Skiing

Wordsearch: Skiing

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Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Reac backwards or forwards, up or down, or diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

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Level 1 2 **3** 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit from 1 to 9. For strategies on solving Sudoku, visit ***sudoku.org.uk.***

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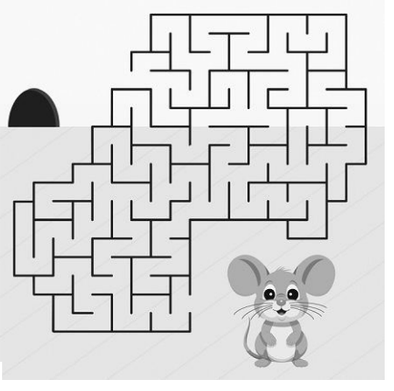
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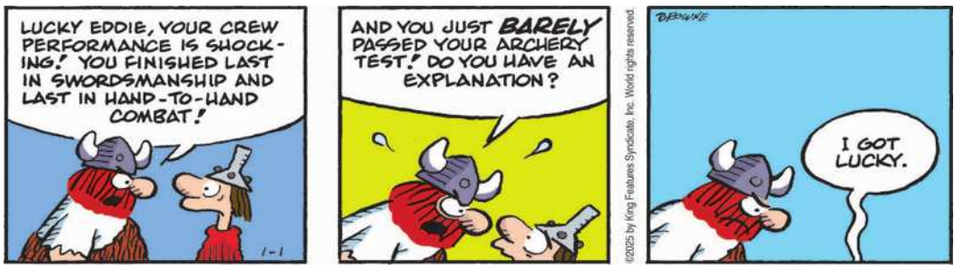
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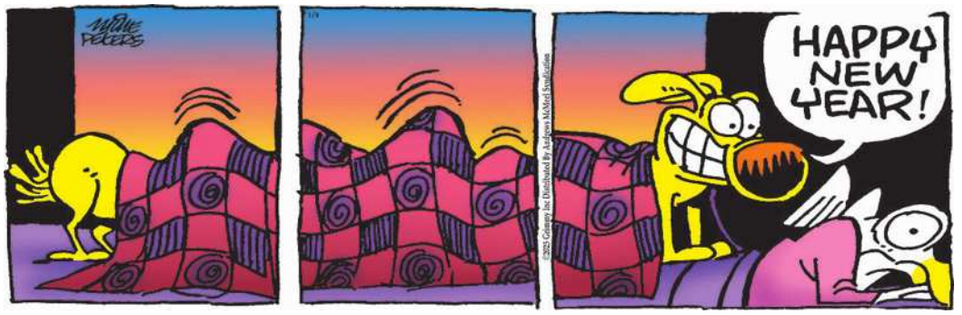
Jump Start



Hagar the Horrible



Mother Goose & Grimm



One Big Happy



Pooch Café



Red & Rover



Sudoku

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How to Play

Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

Previous Puzzle

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4	3	2	6	1	9	5	7	8
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Argyle Sweater is on vacation.

Between the Lines



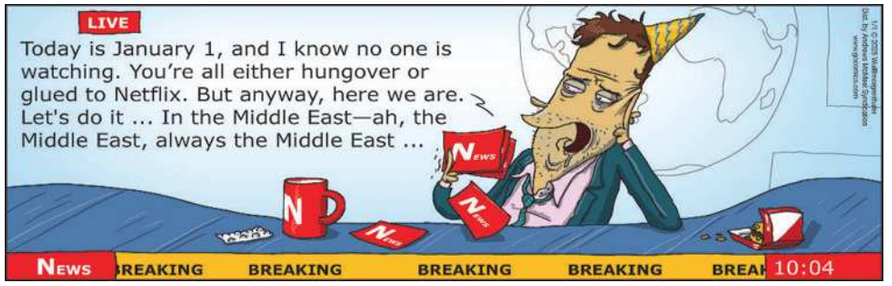
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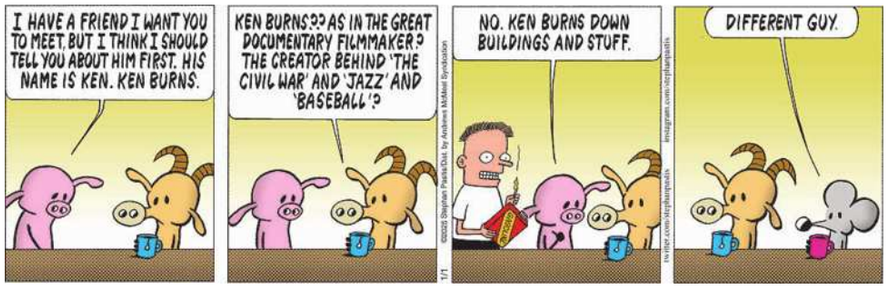
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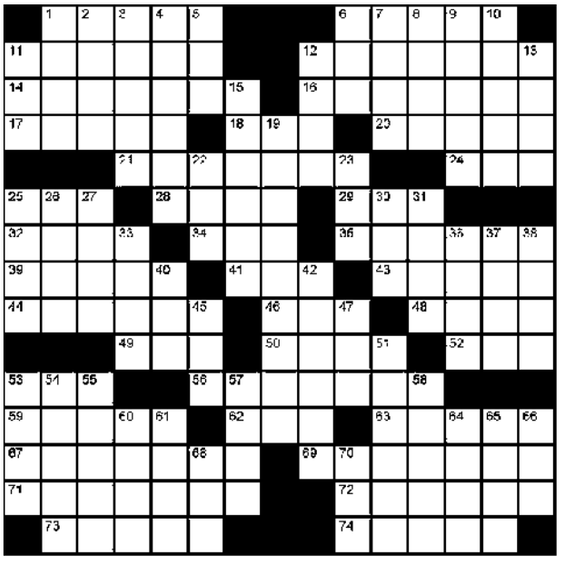
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Today's Crossword



ACROSS
1 Cruel
6 Deceives
11 Marinara ingredient
12 Marsh plant with furry spikes
14 Run
16 Item
17 Doctrine
18 Actress — Ryan
20 Neptune's domain
21 Get healthy again
24 Defunct plane
25 Top
28 Sticky fruit
29 Reptile
32 Town in Oklahoma
34 Miles — gallon
35 Landscaped yard
39 Alarm
41 Water barrier
43 "— Rae"
44 Deli meat
46 White lie
48 Not quite dry
49 Bakery purchase
50 Tense
52 Fossil fuel
53 Curved path
56 President — Alan Arthur
59 Value
62 Garment part
63 Well-known
67 World's highest peak
69 Tree-lined promenade
71 Wishes
72 Pep
73 Boutique
74 Peach pit

DOWN
1 — springs eternal
2 Word of agreement
3 Less common
4 Uttered
5 Fiery
6 Distant
7 Chancellor — von Bismarck
8 Related to ears
9 Shoestrings
10 "— Marner"
11 Kiddie
12 Imprison
13 Time of fasting
15 Overacted
19 "... lived happily — —"
22 Upper limit
23 Tattered cloth
25 Fewer
26 Old Indian of Peru
27 Soap brand
30 — Antonio
31 Nudge
33 Dull
36 Pull slowly
37 Actress — Watson
38 Gets some shuteye
40 Big bird
42 Noxious vapor
45 Abbr. in bus.
47 "Close — no cigar"
51 Leaseholder
53 Overwhelmed with solemn fear
54 Wanders
55 Wave top
57 Headgear
58 Tragic lover
60 Performing group
61 Mister, in Munich
64 Seabird
65 Brink
66 Call it a —
68 Witness
70 French article

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED



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JUMBLE by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square to form four ordinary words.

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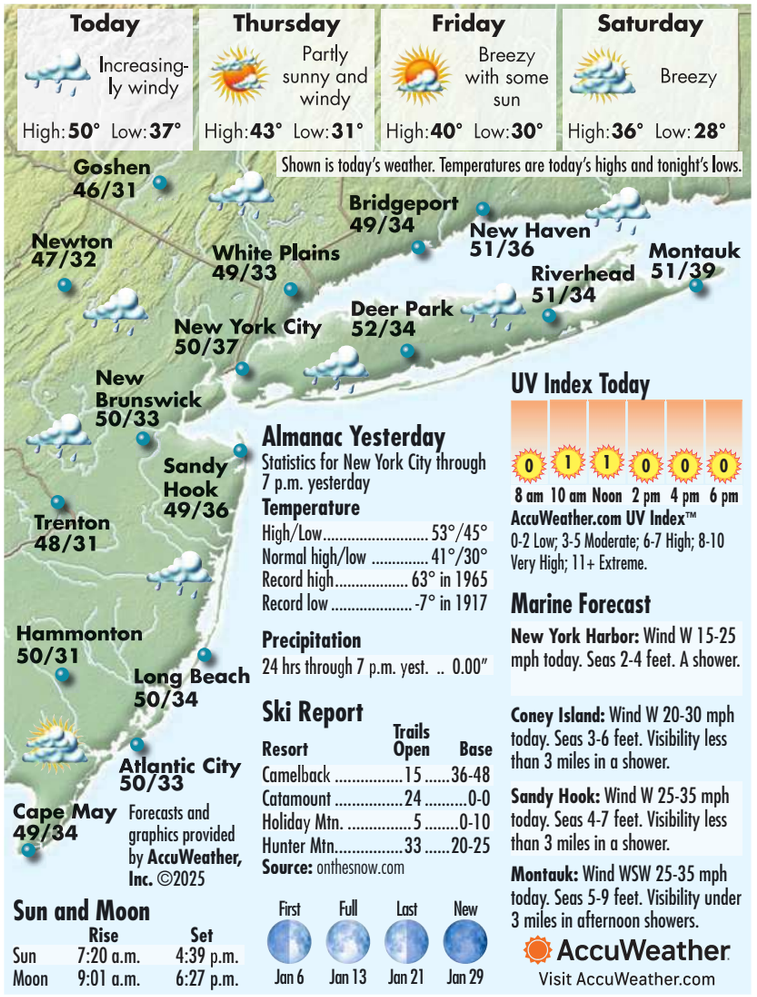


Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer as suggested by the cartoon.

ANSWER

Yesterday's answers: JUMBLES — PILOT, CLASH, DEFEAT, BEAKER

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For Wednesday, January 1

Tempers may flare! The emotional Moon moves into innovative Aquarius, opening us up to supporting humanitarian causes and broadening our horizons. When the Moon conjoins chaotic Pluto, it might reveal our more obsessive or chaotic sides. Our efforts to help can go too far, risking exhaustion or even the creation of new problems. Later, the Moon faces off with fiery Mars, adding fuel to the fire and creating shorter tempers in all of us. Staying cool is the key to success.

ARIES



MARCH 21-APRIL 19

You're opening up your mind to multiple possibilities. You have an opportunity to network with like-minded people, as well as give back to your community, but be wary of over-promising. Figure out what works best for you and don't feel as though you have to be everything for everyone.

TAURUS



APRIL 20-MAY 20

Fresh opportunities could be coming for your career. That said, while you're trying to let your light shine, authority figures might make things difficult — or your work-life balance may make its imbalance known. You don't have to do everything perfectly, but it might be wise to avoid voicing your frustrations in the moment.

GEMINI



MAY 21-JUNE 20

Broaden your mind! There may be an opportunity for you to travel or study right now, and it would be beneficial for you to seize it. Contrastingly, there might be delays that you have to overcome to reap the benefits. The more organized you are at present, the better able you'll be to combat these obstacles.

CANCER



JUNE 21-JULY 22

Getting along with someone else might not be the easiest thing to do. Even if you normally well with this person, hiccups could inhibit your communication. Instead of letting this push you into a confrontation, give conversation an extra effort with an open heart.

LEO



JULY 23-AUG. 22

Iron sharpens iron. It's a good time to meet someone who will inspire you, push you to be greater, and challenge you to do things that you didn't think you could. If you are looking for someone who will agree with you on everything, then it might be the right time to seek out someone else.

VIRGO



AUG. 23-SEPT. 22

The volunteering bug may have bitten you! Now more than ever, you may feel called to support those who are less fortunate by giving back whatever you can. Unfortunately, you could be forgetting about responsibilities that you have already agreed to, or you might be overextending yourself. Know your limits.

LIBRA



SEPT. 23-OCT. 22

There are all sorts of fun ways to expand your mind at this time. Whether you're planning a party, going to an entertaining event, or just socializing with your friends, it is likely to be a good time. However, there is a tendency to go overboard or overstep your boundaries with someone else.

SCORPIO



OCT. 23-NOV. 21

Home is where your heart is. There might be a place that is close to your heart, but that you don't live near anymore — consider the benefits of revisiting. While you don't have to visit it physically, you can return to pictures. Honoring where you came from could show you where you want to go next.

SAGITTARIUS



NOV. 22-DEC. 21

You may be going forward with something you've been curious about for a long time. There could be an interesting hobby, place, or career you've been dreaming about that's about to become a real opportunity for you. Whatever shape this unforeseen opportunity takes, don't be afraid to say yes!

CAPRICORN



DEC. 22-JAN. 19

Be wary of tempers flaring and threatening your stability. There could be someone in your midst who pushes your buttons. You do not have to give in to it or act outside of your character. Always remember who you are and stay grounded in your values.

AQUARIUS



JAN. 20-FEB. 18

It might feel like you're alone. You may have an opinion that the people around you don't share, making the idea of defending yourself seem nigh impossible. At times, it's best to agree to disagree, then choose to move on. There will be time to work things out in the future.

PISCES



FEB. 19-MARCH 20

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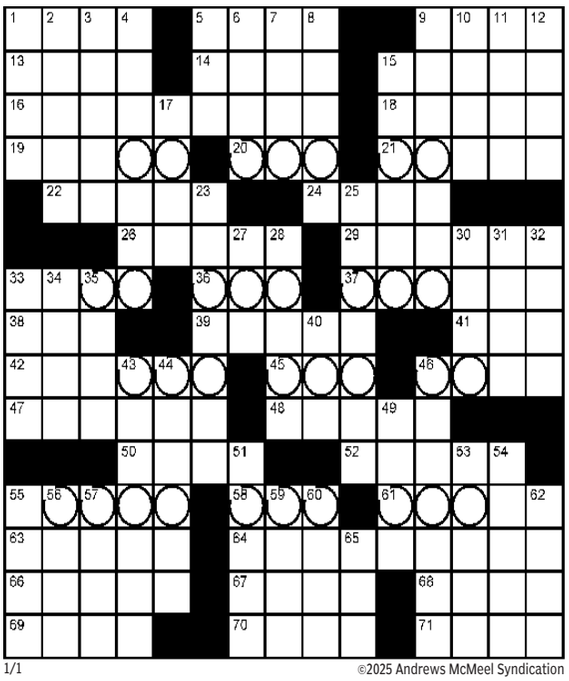
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15 Misrepresent
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18 App with many filters, informally
19 1965 Alabama march site (In this clue's answer, note letters 4-5 + ...)
20 Sedan, e.g. (... 1-3 + ...)
21 NBA legend Shaquille (... 1-2)
22 Participate in a bee
24 Grammy winner ___ Aguilar
26 Requirements
29 Small
33 Drive-___ (3-4 + ...)
36 Styling product (... 1-3 + ...)
37 More sore (... 1-3)
38 Water, in Paris
39 Leaves out
41 By way of
42 Cover stories? (4-6 + ...)
45 Camp bed (... 1-3 + ...)
46 Throw (... 1-2)
47 Give a new title to
48 "Fear of Flying" author Jong
50 "Darn!"
52 Conspiratorial group
55 Getting older (2-5 + ...)
58 Hosp. areas (... 1-3 + ...)
61 Backs of necks (... 1-3)
63 Black tea type
64 Expensive NBA game seating area
66 Makes, as tea
67 Lose steam
68 Hamster's home
69 Close tightly
70 Snow day toy
71 Singles

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1 Word before "chef" or "vide"
2 Makes simpler
3 Puppy
4 Secondary list on a computer
5 Clump of gum
6 Temperature control syst.
7 Tiny amount
8 Pip-squeak
9 Actor/director Branagh
10 "What ___ is new?"
11 Pocket bread
12 Blue-green hue
15 "Frida" or "Erin Brockovich"
17 Connecticut Ivy
23 Kit with toy bricks
25 Stretchy
27 Harris' party, for short
28 Cake serving
30 DVR pioneer
31 Luau wreaths
32 Historic periods
33 What one might shed
34 Robust
35 Destroy
40 Blue Jays' city: Abbr.
43 Nocturnal bird on a farm
44 Pictures
46 Hot sauce brand
49 "You ___ be serious!"
51 Factions
53 Beelike
54 Overhang
55 P.D. alerts
56 "Pretty Woman" actor Richard
57 Swedish furniture giant
59 Churn
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Rookie quarterback Daniels has helped Washington make a quick turnaround following 4-13 season last year

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JUAN MAN ROSE

Beeter could be next unheralded pen arm to emerge with Yankees

BY PETER SBLENDORIO
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

It is no secret the Yankees know how to build a bullpen.

Last season marked the fourth in a row in which the Yankees' bullpen ERA was at least the sixth best among MLB teams. In each of those years, the Yankees' relievers recorded a cumulative ERA of 3.62 or lower.

Much of that success stems from the Yankees' ability to identify promising arms in other organizations and turn them into productive major leaguers. Luke Weaver, Clay Holmes and Jonathan Loáisiga are only a few examples.

Clayton Beeter could be next.

Asked recently about under-the-radar internal options for the Yankees' 2025 bullpen, manager Aaron Boone specifically named Beeter.

"He's one guy that we're excited about that we feel like could potentially carve out a significant role," Boone said at the Winter Meetings in Dallas.

The Yankees acquired the right-handed Beeter, 26, in the August 2022 trade that sent struggling slugger Joey Gallo to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Beeter has mostly operated as a starting pitcher in the minor leagues, starting 83 of his 92 career appearances, but he flashed as a reliever down the stretch last season.

In five relief appearances with Double-A Somerset and Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre in September, Beeter hurled seven scoreless innings and struck out 12.

MLB Pipeline ranks Beeter as the Yankees' No. 19 prospect, down four spots from last year.

"Beeter was so dominant at Texas Tech during the shortened 2020 season that some scouts believed he had the best stuff of any college starter in the Draft," reads MLB Pipeline's scouting report.

"While Beeter's stuff cooled off a bit in 2023, he still can show flashes of three plus pitches. His best offering is an 82-86 mph slider with two-plane depth that hitters can't barrel or lay off, and he now favors it heavily over a 78-82 mph curveball with similar shape that he can't land for strikes."

The scouting report also referenced a mid-90s fastball "with more carry up in the zone than true life" that "can get tagged when he doesn't command it."

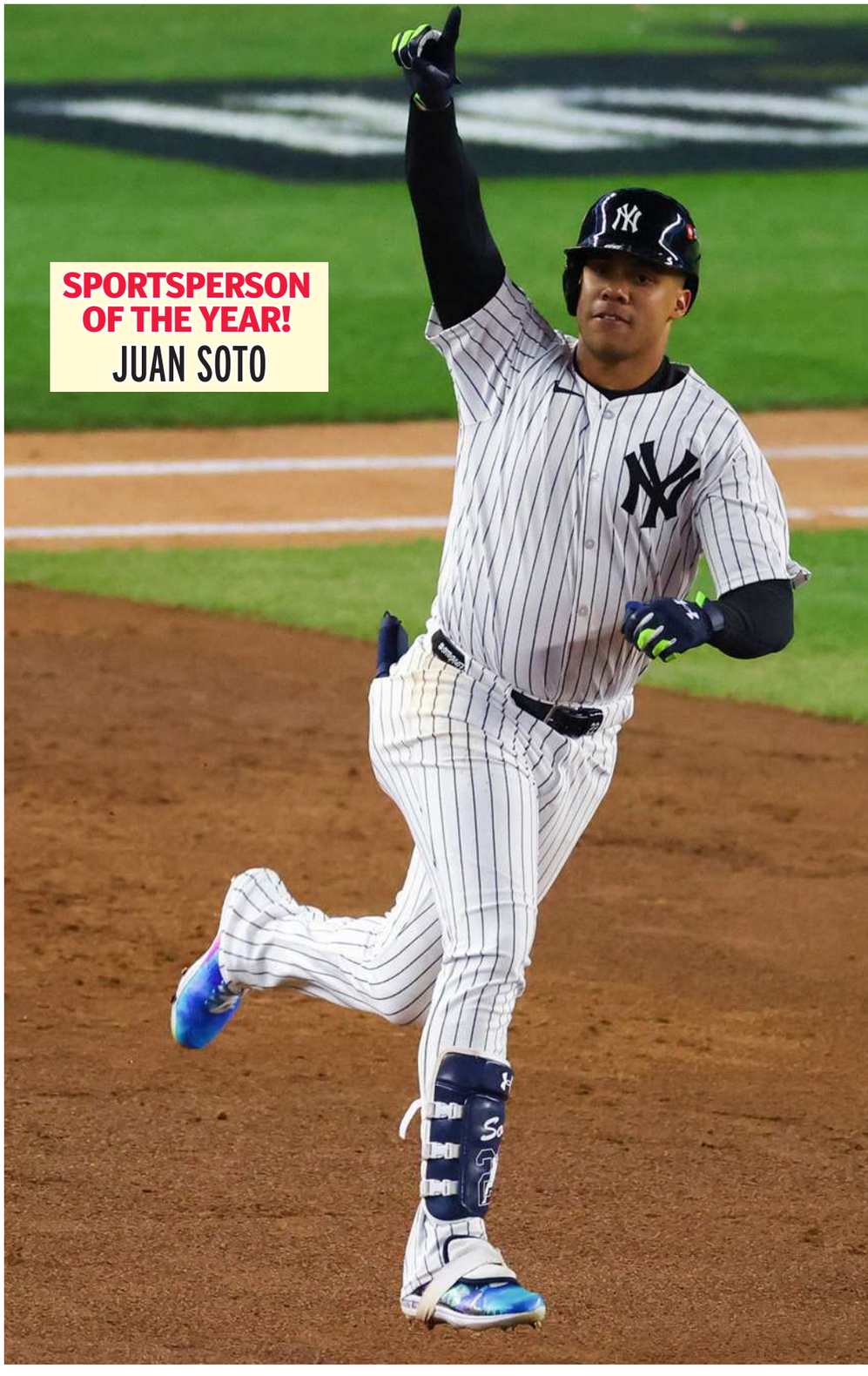
Originally a second-round pick by the Dodgers, Beeter made his MLB debut with the Yankees in March. He ended up making three relief appearances in the majors – including two in September – and allowed three runs (two earned) with five strikeouts in 3.2 innings.

Beeter boasts 428 strikeouts in 300 innings in the minors.

Should he make the Yankees' roster, Beeter would add a power arm to a bullpen that just lost the sinker-balling Holmes to the Mets in free agency but that added All-Star closer Devin Williams in a trade with the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Yankees also re-signed Loáisiga, who missed most of last season after undergoing elbow surgery, and are set to bring back Weaver and fellow right-handed relievers Ian Hamilton, Jake Cousins, Scott Effross and Mark Leiter Jr.

"There's always others that emerge," Boone said. "There will probably be non-roster guys that you bring in that our group maybe has identified as somebody. I think we've had a pretty good track record of that. I'm sure there will be a couple guys that show up in spring training that we don't even know about yet that could end up playing an important role for us."



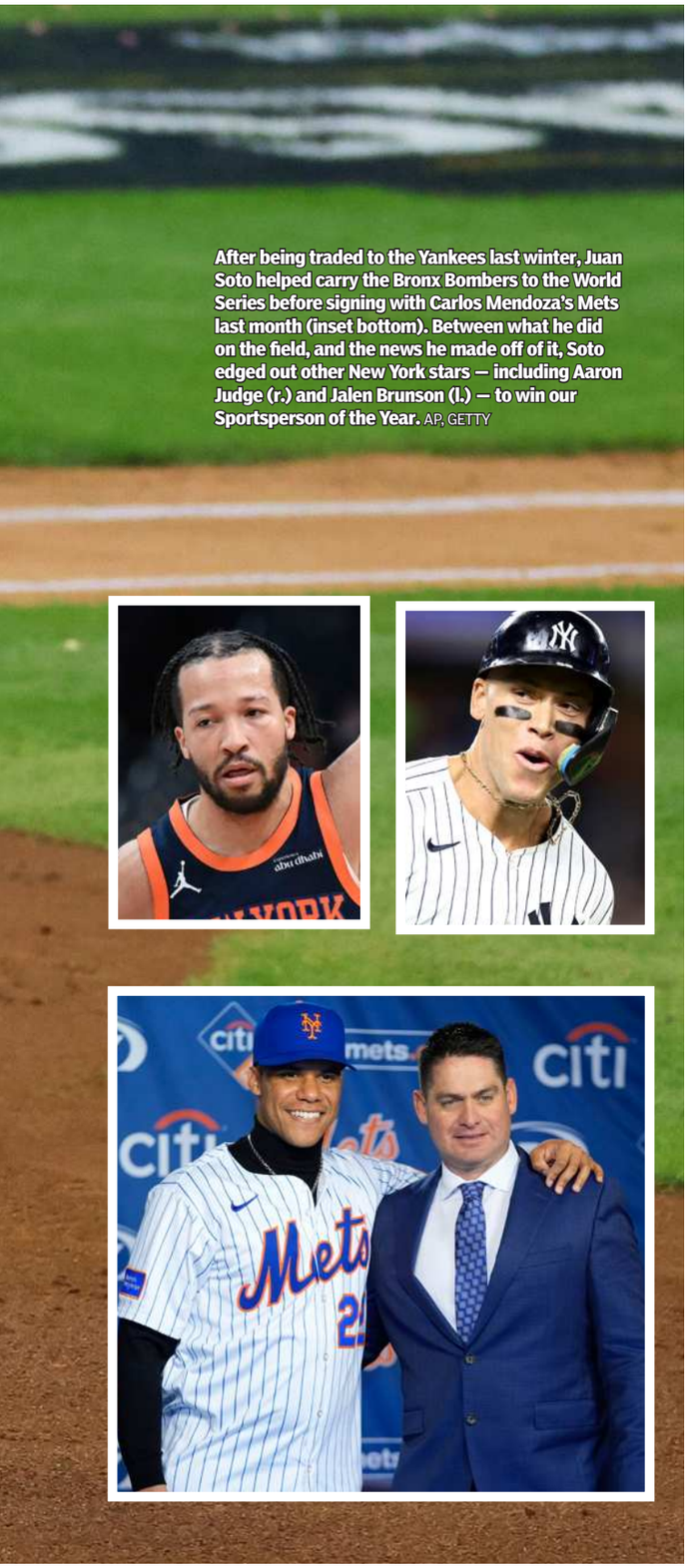
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JUAN SOTO

THE TWEETS

I still can't believe Juan Soto is a Met.
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GOTTA GROW UP
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ABOVE THE REST



After being traded to the Yankees last winter, Juan Soto helped carry the Bronx Bombers to the World Series before signing with Carlos Mendoza's Mets last month (inset bottom). Between what he did on the field, and the news he made off of it, Soto edged out other New York stars — including Aaron Judge (r.) and Jalen Brunson (l.) — to win our Sportsperson of the Year. AP, GETTY

Soto delivered as promised and earns Sportsperson of the Year



MIKE LUPICA

In 2024, we had this guy in New York sports, big guy, hit 58 home runs and come that close to being the only guy in the history of the Yankees to hit 60 home runs twice. That was Aaron Judge, of course, whose regular season did feel like a 99 on a scale of 100 until he, well, dropped the ball in the postseason.

Across town we had Francisco Lindor having as exciting and dynamic a season as any Met has ever had, lifting his own game and his team at the end of May when it looked as if another Mets season was about to go up in smoke, taking the Mets all the way to the National League Championship Series, and giving the Dodgers, the eventual World Series champs, all they ever could have wanted across six games.

But neither one of them is the Sportsperson of the Year around here. Nor is Jalen Brunson, who also lifted his team, the Knicks, in a way no single player has since Patrick Ewing got to town from Georgetown. Brunson was a superb point guard in a point guard city, playing the position as well as the great Walt (Clyde) Frazier once did at the Garden, swishing and dishing and even ended '24 with a flourish, putting a double nickel on the Wizards as the Knicks were finishing one of the best months they've had in ages.

They all made us watch and care this past year, but it doesn't make them Sportsperson of the Year, because Juan Soto was. And is.

He came here to be the straw to stir the drink that Reggie Jackson once was for the Yankees and that is exactly what he became for the Yankees, even if he didn't put them back on top in the end the way Reggie did back in 1977, when at the very end he beat the Dodgers in a World Series all by himself.

Soto and Judge were a team, for sure, the way Ruth and Gehrig were a team and then Maris and Mantle were in 1961. They made the Yankees dangerous again, because there was never a close game, the Yankees either ahead of behind, when you look ahead to when the two of them would be back at the plate in the late innings. Judge was once again the best home run hitter in the sport. But Soto looked like the best and most complete hitter anywhere, because of his power and his discipline and one of the sweetest swings you will ever see in this world.

Then, when the money was on the table in October and Judge was slumping, Soto stepped up all over again, getting 16 hits in 14 postseason games; having an on-base percentage of .478 and batting average of .368 in the league championship series and then a .522 on-base percentage and a .313 batting average in the World Series. All in, he was on base 30 times in the Yankees' 14 postseason game. To the finish, he was everything he was advertised to be.

And when the season was over, he rang the bell one last time, in a different kind of Subway Series between Steve Cohen and Hal Steinbrenner, signing the biggest free agent contract in history to go across town and play for the Mets. From spring training all the way until he signed that deal, he was the biggest baseball story in town, because of the way he delivered once he got here and because of the constant speculation, building to his free agency, about whether he would stay with the Yankees or go play baseball someplace else.

He will never have Reggie's swagger, or way with words. No one will ever describe him the way Graig Nettles once did with Reggie, Nettles saying that if reporters tried to pass Reggie's locker without talking to him, Reggie would trip them. Doesn't change the fact that Soto did become the straw that stirred the drink for the '24 Yankees, without question, even in another MVP season for Judge; even with Lindor making his own MVP run with the Mets; even with the chants of "MVP" ringing in Jalen Brunson's ears last spring.

Soto is the one who made the most news, start to finish, really without having to say a word, just by taking his place in front of Aaron Judge in Aaron Boone's batting order. He was everything the Yankees could have expected from Opening Day in Houston on. And Yankee fans will always wonder what might have happened if the Yankees had forced a Game 6 in Los Angeles in the Series, just because Judge was starting to swing the bat again at the end.

Did others try to make as much news as Soto? You know another Aaron – Rodgers – sure did. But he was the one who mostly stirred the drink bad. Along the way, though, he sucked up so much oxygen that everybody else around the Jets must have occasionally found themselves gasping for breath. Or reaching for oxygen masks.

Rodgers was still a giant star here, but for all the wrong reasons. No, we had four stars who delivered the goods in such a rousing and entertaining way:

Judge.
Lindor.
Brunson.
Soto.

But none of the others were under as much pressure as Soto was, really from the time the Yankees traded for him. He was brought here to at least help get them back to the World Series for the first time since 2009. That is exactly what he did, on the great stage of Yankee Stadium, and under the big top of the big city. He delivered for Judge, hitting behind him. He delivered for the Yankees. And finally, after doing all that, he delivered for himself. Other guys had years. Not like his year. Everybody else had stakes. Not like his.

Then not only did he leave, he stayed. Even Reggie never pulled that off.

COMMANDING

It didn't take a whole lot for Washington to turn everything around in '24



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LANDOVER, Md. – Moments after the Commanders finished the 2023 season at 4-13 and locked up the second pick in the draft, Daron Payne was already feeling optimistic about the organization's long-term future.

In fact, the standout defensive tackle was bullish about success coming much quicker.

"You see it around the NFL," Payne said on Jan. 7. "Just last year, the Houston Texans, man, they were horrible. Now, look at them. They're a playoff team. All it takes is a couple pieces. A couple pieces, a couple good players and just start a run."

Steps away from his locker stall, 357 days later, new coach Dan Quinn called over new general manager Adam Peters to celebrate the Commanders completing an improbable turnaround. Peters held a game ball from Washington's 30-24 overtime victory in his hand and addressed controlling owner Josh Harris.

"There's no better gift that you can give a man on his 60th birthday than a playoff berth," Peters said, handing the ball to Harris while players cheered.

"Thank you guys for everything," Harris exclaimed. "Playoffs!"

January 11, 12 or 13 at Tampa Bay, Philadelphia or the Rams will be Washington's seventh playoff game this century, and it comes in Jayden Daniels' breakout rookie season after the Commanders took the Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback with the No. 2 pick.

"The fan base waited a long time for this," Daniels said after leading another comeback victory. "I really can't put into words how much it means to them and how much it means to me to be able to go out there and lead this franchise and this team to opportunities like that."

Payne maybe had a premonition about all this. Super Bowl champion tight end Zach Ertz agreed to join the Commanders in early March, long before Daniels was drafted and even before veteran QB Marcus Mariota signed as a free agent.

After Harris and ownership put Peters in charge of football operations, they collaborated to hire Quinn. Kliff Kingsbury was brought in to run the offense and Joe Whitt Jr. the defense.

"I knew with the staff that they were building that we were going to have a chance," Ertz said.

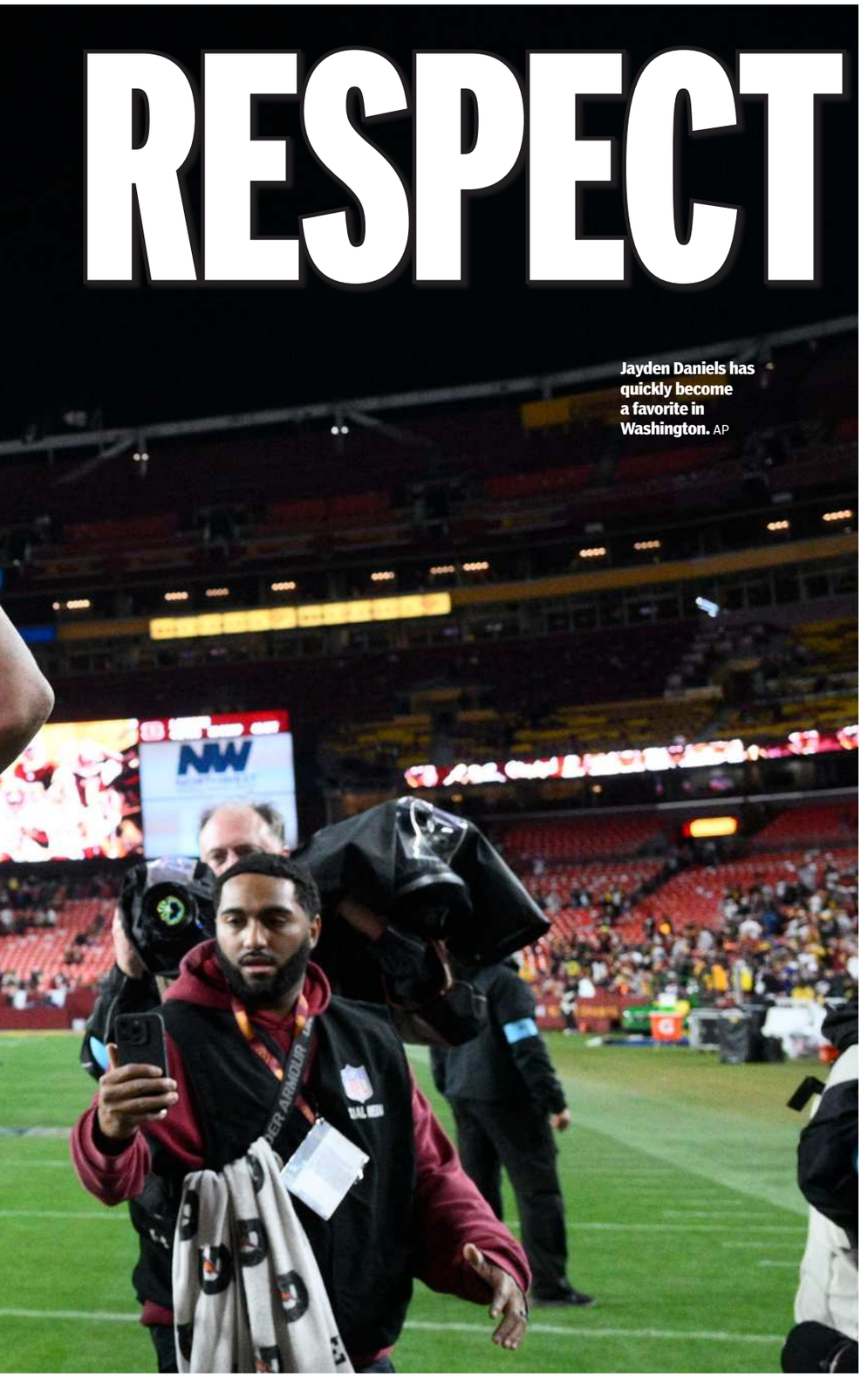
Following Ertz to Washington were six-time All-Pro Bobby Wagner and fellow linebackers Frankie Luvu and Dante Fowler, safety Jeremy Chinn, running back Austin Ekeler, defensive end Dorance Armstrong, and offensive linemen Nick Allegretti, Tyler Biadasz.

"We started bringing in veterans who I played against my whole life that a lot of them have torched us our whole life: Zach Ertz, Bobby Wagner – all these guys," punter Tress Way said.

With Peters turning over more than half the 90-man training camp roster, gelling was important.

"Everybody had to get to know each other," said Wagner, who won

RESPECT



Jayden Daniels has quickly become a favorite in Washington. AP

the Super Bowl with Seattle when Quinn was defensive coordinator there. "Everybody had to kind of build that camaraderie. And I think we did that really fast. There were a lot of guys that bought into the culture, bought into the people around them, had confidence in the people around them."

Spring workouts allowed for that and helped the light bulb go off for Way, the team's longest-tenured player who endured a lot of losing over his decade in the league. He gave up his number to Daniels so the new face of the franchise could wear the same No. 5 on his chest that he did at Arizona State and LSU.

There were no regrets.

"The first time I saw '5' throw the football, I just thought, 'Well, let's play some ball and see what happens,'" Way said.

Daniels was not anointed the starter when he arrived, nor at the beginning of training camp. It took a couple of preseason games before Quinn made that declaration.

"Nothing's ever been given to anyone on this team," Ertz said. "Even Jayden, they made him earn it throughout training camp, throughout the offseason. And that stuff doesn't go unnoticed by players like myself who have been in the league for 12 years."

Daniels lost his NFL debut, then led the Commanders on a four-game winning streak and victories in seven of the next eight while gutting through a rib injury. His Hail Mary touchdown throw to beat Chicago was among his many spectacular moments.

"His poise, him being able to stay calm in the pocket in pressure situations, you don't get that from a lot of rookie quarterbacks," receiver Jamison Crowder said. "I'm just glad, man, that he's on my team."

Georgia not on Longhorn minds at Peach Bowl

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA – The Texas Longhorns were in Atlanta less than a month ago, playing for a championship.

That one didn't go as planned.

Now, the Longhorns get an A-T-L do-over when they face Arizona State at the Peach Bowl in a College Football Playoff quarterfinal game today.

Fifth-seeded Texas (12-2) insists it has gotten over the disappointment of losing an overtime thriller to Georgia on Dec. 7, a result that denied the Longhorns a title in their debut season as a member of the SEC.



Quinn Ewers

"Of course we're going to kind of feel that a little bit, but we kind of want to move on and just get ready for Arizona State," Texas linebacker Anthony Hill Jr. said. "They're a good football team and we kind of don't want to think about that (Georgia) game all over again."

The Longhorns showed no signs of a hangover when they held off Clemson in the opening round of the expanded 12-team playoff.

If they can knock off Arizona State – the Longhorns are a two-touchdown favorite – it will be back to their home state for a semifinal game against either Oregon or Ohio State in the Cotton Bowl.

Fourth-seeded Arizona State (11-2) has been one of the nation's most surprising teams.

The Sun Devils went 3-9 a year ago in Kenny Dillingham's first season as coach. Making the move from the disintegrating Pac-12 to the 16-team Big 12, Arizona State was picked to finish dead last this season.

Instead, it was tied with three other teams for the top spot during the regular season and claimed the title all to itself in the Big 12 championship game, rolling past Iowa State.

This is a chance for Arizona State to prove to everyone that its stunning season was no fluke.

"We're going to face one of the best teams in the country, if not the best team in the country," Dillingham said Tuesday on the eve of the game. "It's a really tall task for our guys. But by the same token, if you're a competitor, you want to compete versus the very best in the best environments."

Quinn Ewers has a stellar resume as the Texas quarterback.

Sam Leavitt is out to prove he's the better man.

The Arizona State QB has been a major reason for his team's unexpected success. He's eager for a head-to-head showdown with Ewers, who has passed for 2,867 yards and 26 touchdowns this season.

Leavitt has put up similar numbers, with 2,663 yards and 24 TDs.

"I'm just excited for the opportunity," he said. "People keep counting me out since Day 1, and I'm going to go prove why I'm the better quarterback."

Cam Skattebo is Arizona State's biggest star, a bowling ball of a running back who has become one of the rare players in FBS history to put up more than 2,000 yards from scrimmage.

He doesn't lack for confidence, either, calling himself the best runner in all of college football.

The Peach Bowl provides a prime opportunity to back up his bravado, especially against a defense that has struggled with missed tackles.

"I feel like I'm the best," Skattebo said. "I'm excited to play those guys because I'm going to present to them something new that they haven't seen before. I'm excited, and hopefully they're ready to play some football."

Ex-Yankee and Met Randle dies at 75

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MURRIETA, Calif. – Former Met and Yankee Lenny Randle, a big-league player for 12 seasons who spoke five languages, performed stand-up comedy, was dubbed "The Most Interesting Man in Baseball" and was suspended for punching his Rangers manager, has died. He was 75.

Randle died Sunday at his home in Murrieta, California, one of his sons, Bradley, said Tuesday. Bradley said Randle's wife, Linda, asked that the cause of death not be publicly disclosed.

Randle helped win the 1969 College World Series with Arizona State, where he also played football. He was selected 10th overall by Washington in the secondary phase of the 1970 amateur draft and made his debut for the Senators on June 16, 1971. He got his first hit when he beat out an infield single against Vida Blue.

He hit .257 with 27 homers, 322 RBI and 156 stolen bases for the Senators/Rangers (1971-76), Mets (1977-78), Yankees (1979), Cubs (1980) and Mariners (1981-82).

But he was known more for a series of moments rather than his on-field accomplishments and was dubbed "The Most Interesting Man in Baseball" by Rolling Stone magazine, a title used for an MLB Network documentary in 2015.

Randle was on the bench for the Senators' last game in 1971 when fans invaded the field; bunted to the right side to collide with Cleveland pitcher Milt Wilcox in 1974 and spark a brawl in retaliation for a pitch being thrown behind him; was at second base during the Ten Cent Beer Night riot at Cleveland later that season; was in the batter's box to face the Cubs' Ray Burris when power went out at Shea Stadium during the blackout on July 13, 1977; was the Yankees' roster replacement for Thurman Munson following the catcher's death in August 1979; and famously got on his hands and knees to blow Amos Otis' slow roller foul on May 27, 1981, which plate umpire Larry McCoy decided was against the rules and ruled a hit.



Lenny Randle takes batting practice with Mets in 1977. AP

In his role as a youth baseball coach, Randle distributed T-shirts that read: "Don't Blow It, Go to College."

Randle's Rangers tenure ended when he punched manager Frank Lucchesi on March 28, 1977. Randle had lost his second base job to Bump Wills during spring training and asked to be traded if he wasn't going to play regularly. Lucchesi told media he was tired of "$80,000 a year punks" complaining.

Randle punched Lucchesi three times before a spring training game against Minnesota, and the manager sustained a triple fracture of his right cheekbone and needed plastic surgery. Randle said he approached Lucchesi along the third-base line to talk to him and Lucchesi told him: "What do you got to say, punk?"

Texas suspended Randle for 30 days, fined him $10,000 and withheld $13,407.90 of his $80,000 salary. He was charged with aggravated battery, pled no contest to misdemeanor battery and was fined $1,050.

Creighton ends Storm streak at 6

Steven Ashworth scored 18 points and Creighton held off St. John's, 57-56, on Tuesday, ending the Red Storm's six-game win streak.

Ashworth also contributed five rebounds and three steals for the Bluejays (9-5, 2-1 Big East Conference). **Ryan Kalkbrenner** added 16 points, nine rebounds and five blocks. **Isaac Traudt** scored nine on three 3-pointers.

The Red Storm (11-3, 2-1) was led by **Zuby Ejiofor** with 16 points, eight rebounds and two steals. **Deivon Smith** added 10 points and four steals. **Kadary Richmond** totaled nine points, six rebounds and three steals.

SPORTSwire

BUTLER WITH HEAT, FOR NOW

Jimmy Butler plans to play for the Heat tonight. And after that, who knows.

The good news for the Heat: Butler declared himself healthy again after what he described as a fairly severe illness for more than a week and said he will return to the lineup when Miami hosts New Orleans.

The perhaps not-so-good news: When asked Tuesday if he wants to be in Miami, amid now a couple weeks and counting of trade speculation, Butler was noncommittal.

"It's a good question. Who knows? I don't," Butler said. "But right now, I'm here. So, I'm going to make the most of it. I am going to compete, and I am going to win. And that's all that I've got. It's a lot of talk. And it is a lot of noise, which I'm cool with. It doesn't bother me at all."

KELCE TOP VOTE-GETTER

Travis Kelce led all players in fan balloting for the 2025 Pro Bowl Games.

The Chiefs' star tight end finished with 252,200 votes. Kelce's relationship with **Taylor Swift** has significantly increased his popularity. Kelce, a four-time All-Pro and nine-time Pro Bowl pick, has 97 catches for 823 yards and three touchdowns this season.



Blues' Cam Fowler celebrates goal under Wrigley Field lights as St. Louis comes out ahead in Winter Classic Tuesday night in Chicago. GETTY

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO – Connor Bedard and the Blackhawks took the train to work on Tuesday.

Carrying their sticks and skates and dressed in custom "Team Chicago" gear, the Blackhawks used one of the city's famed elevated trains to travel to Wrigley Field for their matchup with the Blues in the Winter Classic in which the Blues came out ahead, 6-2.

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"A lot of guys haven't been here long, haven't got to take the train either, take CTA, so it was fun to do that and kind of get an experience of what it's like coming to a Cubs game," defenseman Connor Murphy said.

"It's one of the best ways to spend a summer day ... here at a

TAKE ME OUT TO THE ICE BOX

Blues light up Blackhawks and Wrigley



game. So doing it with a little bit of a different climate is fun in itself, too."

The Blues dressed in gray sweatshirts and hats for their bus trip to the home of baseball's Cubs. The hats had 99 on the front and the shirts had a round emblem with 99 and GRETZKY'S BASEMENT – a nod to the hockey school connected to Hall of Famer Wayne Gretzky.

"We just thought it would be a great opportunity to honor Wayne and everything he's done for the game," Blues defenseman Justin Faulk said. "He's obviously an integral part in St. Louis, too. He's done a lot for the community there and still does and he's great to everyone in the organization and the guys and we thought there's no better way to show our appreciation than to do this today for him."

St. Louis and Chicago were meeting in the 16th edition of the outdoor event. It's the second go-round for Wrigley after the ballpark also hosted the Winter Classic in 2009.

It's also the first rematch in the history of the game. The Blues beat the Blackhawks, 4-1, in the 2017 Winter Classic at Busch Stadium.

"I think since the Blues came into the league, Blackhawk-Blues have been a great rivalry," St. Louis coach Jim Montgomery said. "It's one of the top rivalries in the league."

The Blackhawks used their pregame gear to highlight the connection between the franchise and the city. The clothes had patches paying tribute to Chicago's first responders, and each player picked a charitable or community-based organization for their hat.

"It's a neat thing to bring our community together, right?" captain Nick Foligno said. "And one of the big things we talked about was our first responders, too, and what they mean to our community and what they do for us."

Tavares, Leafs top Islanders

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TORONTO – David Kampf, Steven Lorentz and John Tavares scored as the Maple Leafs beat the Islanders, 3-1, on Tuesday to move into a tie with idle Florida for the top spot in the Atlantic Division. Joseph Woll stopped 30 shots for Toronto (23-13-2).

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Jean-Gabriel Pageau score for the Islanders (14-7-7). Ilya Sorokin finished with 22 saves.

Maple Leafs captain Auston Matthews sat for a fifth straight game. He was placed on injured reserve earlier Tuesday in a move retroactive to Dec. 20 that allowed Toronto to recall defenseman Marshall Rifai.

The Maple Leafs said Matthews, who returned to practice on Monday, had not experienced any setbacks with his upper-body injury.

Maple Leafs forward Pontus Holmberg and defenseman Oliver Ekman-Larsson sat out due to illness. Islanders forward Simon Holmstrom was a late scratch with an upper-body injury.

Woll appeared to be in some mild discomfort after a goalmouth scramble early in the second period, but stayed in the game. He missed the first few weeks of the season with a groin issue.

Special teams continued to be a problem for the Islanders, who entered with a league-worst power-play percentage of 11.5. They went 0 for 1 with the man advantage.

Igor going on IR

Rangers goaltender Igor Shesterkin is going on injured reserve, according to a person with knowledge of the decision. The person said Shesterkin has an upper-body injury.

Shesterkin is being sidelined while the Rangers are in the midst of a four-game losing streak. They've lost seven of eight and 15 of their past 19 games to fall from a solid playoff position to last place in the Metropolitan Division and just ahead of the Sabres at the bottom of the Eastern Conference.

Shesterkin, who recently signed a $92 million extension through the 2032-33 season, is 11-15-1 with a 3.10 goals-against average and .906 save percentage through 27 games. He had a 2.58 GAA and .912 save percentage last season

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GROWING PAINS FOR NETS

Loss of poise in Orlando 'a clear sign of not being mature'

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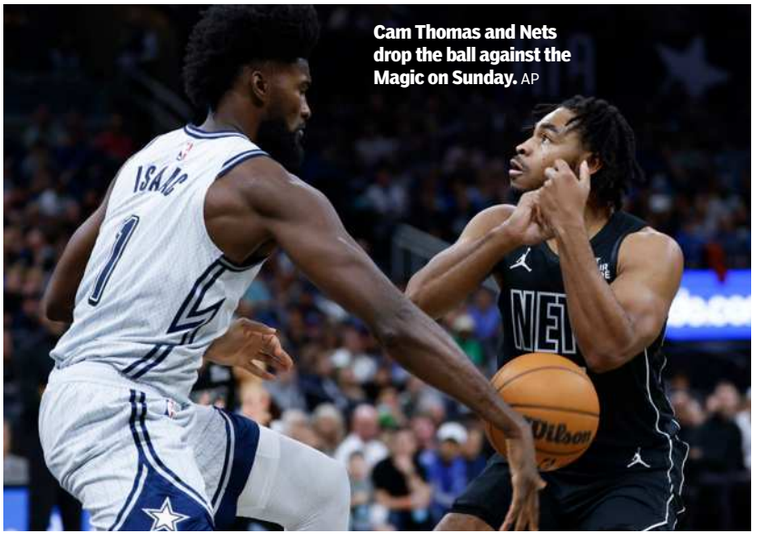
The Nets lost their poise down the stretch in Sunday's 102-101 loss to the Orlando Magic at Kia Center. Their lack of veteran leadership showed when it mattered most, and soured what should have been a big road win against one of the better teams in the Eastern Conference.

"It was a clear sign of not being mature," head coach Jordi Fernandz said. "Obviously the consistency, the focus, but it's basically, you do so many good things in the first half, then you put [out] the worst performance you can put [out], and you act like you don't care on the defensive end."

Everything was clicking for Brooklyn on offense early. It shot 58.3% in the first half, made nine 3-pointers, had 15 assists on 21 field goals and built a 61-43 lead. Cam Thomas and Noah Clowney were rolling on offense. It was the type of game the Nets probably should have run away with easily.

The Nets led by as many as 21 points in the third quarter and were up by 17 points with 7:16 left in regulation, courtesy of three straight Jalen Wilson treys. In moments like that, mature teams – the best teams – know how to keep their feet on the gas, seek high quality shoots and maintain defensive focus.

Instead, from that point on, the Nets went 0-for-7 from the field with five turnovers. Their last four points of the game were scored by Wilson at the free throw line. The Magic ended the game on a 22-4 run and outscored Brooklyn 34-18 in the final frame.



Cam Thomas and Nets drop the ball against the Magic on Sunday. AP

"We just needed one more grown up to bring the guys together and calm everybody down and execute on the defensive end and win the game, and it didn't happen. So, I put that on all the guys on our team that are over 23 years old. Those were our grownups. And if you cannot do that, it's going to be tough."

While Cam Thomas scored a game-high 25 points in his return from a 13-game absence, the Nets played without Trendon Watford and Ziaire Williams on Sunday. Veterans Dorian Finney-Smith and Shake Milton were traded to the Los Angeles Lakers earlier in the afternoon. D'Angelo Russell, who was acquired in Sunday's game, was not available. Dennis Schröder was traded to the Golden State Warriors earlier in the month.

Cam Johnson did not play in the fourth quarter because of left hip soreness, and other veterans such as Nic Claxton and Ben Simmons were virtually non-existent in the final frame. The veterans that would usually guide Brooklyn through these late-game scenarios were gone or injured. The ones that remained did not step up when the team needed them to.

Orlando shot 50% from the field in the fourth quarter and 46.2% from deep. Wilson scored 13 points in his last 11:09 on the court, but Thomas went 1-for-7 in his final 7:37, including a missed 3-pointer from the left corner at the buzzer.

"We just didn't execute well," Thomas said. "I don't think it was the grownup thing or anything like that, I just think we have to execute. We played enough games to know what we have to do at the end of games, getting in different sets, execute. And sometimes the ball just doesn't go in at the end."

Situations like these are why veterans such as Schröder, Finney-Smith and Milton will be missed over the Nets' final 50 regular-season games. There is a good chance Johnson will be gone by the Feb. 6 trade deadline, too.

For the players that remain, especially the youngsters, the rest of this season will serve as a valuable learning experience. Now they must learn how to finish games, how to make the right play in clutch moments and put their group in the best position to win. This season was about development from the start. It is time for them to grow up.

"There's opportunities for someone else, that's the bright side," Fernandez said. "Those guys will play in the NBA, which is not easy because there's limited spots in the NBA. And, again, life goes on."

After title, Liberty have free-agent considerations

BY FIIFI FRIMPONG
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

WNBA teams are less than a month away from beginning the negotiation period for the 2025 offseason, which means the Liberty are approaching another important offseason for a franchise with a championship window wide open.

The 2025 offseason projects to be less eventful than 2024 when three starters went into the winter as unrestricted free agents.

This time around, they'll have two unrestricted free agents who finished the regular season as starters. General manager Jonathan Kolb and the front office can begin negotiation with those free agents beginning on Jan. 21. The team can sign those players to contracts beginning on Feb. 1.

Here's a look at the Liberty free agents this offseason.

BREANNA STEWART

Here we are again.

The Liberty and Stewart enter the 2025 offseason in the same position as last year: At the end of a one-year deal with both sides more than likely to reunite for another season.



At 36, Courtney Vandersloot has an uncertain future with the Liberty. AP

In 2024, Kolb used a core designation on Stewart after her MVP season, which kept the star off the open market and gave the franchise exclusive negotiating rights. Weeks later, the two sides came to terms on a one-year deal. The same could happen in 2025. However, if Stewart is cored again, she can no longer be cored for the rest of her career. Per WNBA rules, once a player has played for at least two seasons under a contract or contracts that they signed while cored, that player can't be cored again.

The Liberty could also re-sign the 2024 All-WNBA First Team selection without using the designation while she's free to negotiate with other teams. The chances of Stewart not running it back with the Liberty are unlikely, though, given the team's championship window, presence as a team in the New York market and her own willingness to stay with the squad.

"I'm excited for what we're doing here in New York and with the Liberty," Stewart said after the 2023 season before being cored. "Its been amazing to be a part of and I'm looking forward to doing it for many years to come."

The biggest question is the length of Stewart's upcoming deal. Players may position themselves for unprecedented paydays as unrestricted free agents in 2026, when the league – and its franchises – will be showered with new money under a possible new CBA and media rights deal.

COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT

Vandersloot was a starter at the end of the 2024 regular season, but lost the role in the postseason after Sandy Brondello replaced her with Leonie Fiebich in Game 1 of the first-round series against the Atlanta Dream.

Vandersloot, who'll be 36 at the start of the 2025 WNBA season, hasn't signaled an end to her playing career. And her upcoming debut in new 3-on-3 league Unrivaled further shows retirement may not come soon.

But considering her lessened role – and her age – a reunion with the Liberty could come on a short-term deal at a cheaper price tag.

A paycut isn't farfetched to the future Hall of Famer, as she decided to take such a deal when joining forces with Stewart in New York prior to the 2024 WNBA season.

KENNEDY BURKE

The need for Burke instantly increased after the Liberty lost Kayla Thornton to the Golden State Valkyries in the December expansion draft.

Burke, who averaged just 3.4 points in 12.1 minutes per game, could get a heightened role with sixth woman Thornton out of the rotation.

Burke, though, could be coveted on the open market just like Thornton was in the expansion draft.

RESERVED PLAYERS

Fan favorite Jaylyn Sherrod and Ivana Djokic are both exclusive rights free agents, or reserve players. Players with this designation get tendered a qualifying offer and can only negotiate with their current team.

The two could be back in seafoam to round out the bench unit in 2025.

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
y-Buffalo	13	3	0	.813	509	345
Miami	8	8	0	.500	325	332
e-N.Y. Jets	4	12	0	.250	306	384
e-New England	3	13	0	.188	266	401
SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
y-Houston	9	7	0	.563	349	358
e-Indianapolis	7	9	0	.438	351	404
e-Jacksonville	4	12	0	.250	297	409
e-Tennessee	3	13	0	.188	297	437
NORTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
x-Baltimore	11	5	0	.688	483	351
x-Pittsburgh	10	6	0	.625	363	328
Cincinnati	8	8	0	.500	453	417
e-Cleveland	3	13	0	.188	248	400
WEST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
*-Kansas City	15	1	0	.938	385	288
x-L.A. Chargers	10	6	0	.625	368	281
Denver	9	7	0	.563	387	311
e-Las Vegas	4	12	0	.250	289	400

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
y-Philadelphia	13	3	0	.813	443	290
x-Washington	11	5	0	.688	462	372
e-Dallas	7	9	0	.438	331	445
e-N.Y. Giants	3	13	0	.188	260	395
SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
Tampa Bay	9	7	0	.563	475	366
Atlanta	8	8	0	.500	351	379
e-New Orleans	5	11	0	.313	319	371
e-Carolina	4	12	0	.250	297	496
NORTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
x-Detroit	14	2	0	.875	533	333
x-Minnesota	14	2	0	.875	423	301
x-Green Bay	11	5	0	.688	438	314
e-Chicago	4	12	0	.250	286	348
WEST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
y-L.A. Rams	10	6	0	.625	342	356
e-Seattle	9	7	0	.563	345	343
e-Arizona	7	9	0	.438	353	355
e-San Francisco	6	10	0	.375	365	389

*e-Eliminated from playoffs; x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division; *-clinched home-field advantage*

WEEK 17

MONDAY'S RESULT
Detroit 40, San Francisco 34

WEEK 18

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Cleveland at Baltimore, 4:30p.m. (Ch. 7)
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 8p.m. (Ch. 7)

SUNDAY'S GAMES
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 1p.m. (Ch. 2)
Buffalo at New England, 1p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 1p.m.
Chicago at Green Bay, 1p.m.
Houston at Tennessee, 1p.m.
Jacksonville at Indianapolis, 1p.m.
New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 1p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 1p.m.
Miami at N.Y. Jets, 4:25p.m. (Ch. 5)
Kansas City at Denver, 4:25p.m.
L.A. Chargers at Las Vegas, 4:25p.m.
San Francisco at Arizona, 4:25p.m.
Seattle at L.A. Rams, 4:25p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 8:20p.m. (Ch. 4)

WEEK 18 INJURY REPORT

SATURDAY
CINCINNATI at PITTSBURGH
CINCINNATI: DNP: HB Chase Brown (ankle), OT Devin Cochran (NIR/personal), TE Drew Sample (groin). LIMITED: OT Orlando Brown Jr. (fibula), QB Joe Burrow (right wrist/knee), WR Tee Higgins (ankle/knee), TE Tanner Hudson (knee), DT Kris Jenkins Jr. (knee), WR Charlie Jones (groin), OT Amarius Mims (ankle/hand. FULL: DT McKinnley Jackson (wrist).
PITTSBURGH: DNP: OL Isaac Seumalo (NIR/rest). LIMITED: LB Cole Colcomb (knee), DL Logan Lee (calf), WR Ben Skowronek (hip), RB Jaylen Warren (ribs), QB Russell Wilson (NIR/rest). FULL: QB Justin Fields (abdominal), CB Joey Porter Jr. (knee), WR Roman Wilson (hamstring).
CLEVELAND at BALTIMORE
CLEVELAND: DNP: RB Jerome Ford (ankle), DE Myles Garrett (thigh), LB Jordan Hicks (concussion), TE David Njoku (knee), RB Pierre Strong (concussion), DE Cameron Thomas (back), CB Denzel Ward (shoulder). LIMITED: S Grant Delpit (shoulder/knee), DE Ogbo Okoronkwo (knee), QB Dorian Thompson-Robinson (calf), TE Blake Whiteheart (knee), QB Jameis Winston (right shoulder), WR Michael Woods (knee). FULL: LB Devin Bush (elbow), T Germain Ifedi (achilles), WR Jerry Jeudy (knee). **BALTIMORE:** DNP: CB Jalyn Armour-Davis (hamstring), RB Justice Hill (concussion/illness), DT Nnamdi Madubuike (illness), G Patrick Mekari (illness), T Ronnie Stanley (illness). LIMITED: RB Rasheen Ali (hip). FULL: WR Nelson Agholor (concussion), TE Charlie Kolar (forearm).

Detroit 40, San Francisco 34

MONDAY'S RESULT

Detroit	**6**	**7**	**18**	**9**	**—**	**40**
San Francisco	**7**	**14**	**7**	**6**	**—**	**34**

First Quarter
SF: Pearsall 3pass from Purdy (Moody kick), 8:13.
Det: Ja.Williams 3run (kick blocked), 3:42.
Second Quarter
SF: Juszczyk 9pass from Purdy (Moody kick), 14:53.
Det: Ja.Williams 42pass from Goff (Bates kick), 10:09.
SF: Purdy 9run (Moody kick), 6:13.
Third Quarter
Det: LaPorta 6pass from Goff (Patrick pass from Goff), 9:58.
SF: Samuel 5pass from Purdy (Moody kick), 7:40.
Det: FG Bates 57, 4:25.
Det: St. Brown 4pass from Goff (Bates kick), :19.
Fourth Quarter
Det: FG Bates 42, 10:29.
Det: Gibbs 30run (kick failed), 2:58.
SF: Dobbs 7run (kick failed), :43.
A: 71,688.

TEAM STATS	DET	SF
First downs	23	29
Total Net Yards	439	475
Rushes-yards	33-152	18-75
Passing	287	400
Punt Returns	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns	3-86	4-128
Interceptions Ret.	2-39	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	26-34-0	30-40-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-16	2-12
Punts	0-0.0	0-0.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	6-57	5-30
Time of Possession	34:52	25:08

RUSHING: Detroit, Gibbs 18-117, Reynolds 7-31, Jefferson 3-9, Ja.Williams 2-(minus 2), Goff 3-(minus 3). San Francisco, Guerendo 9-34, Samuel 3-16, Purdy 3-12, Dobbs 1-7, Pearsall 2-6.
PASSING: Detroit, Goff 26-34-0-303. San Francisco, Purdy 27-35-2-377, Dobbs 3-4-0-35, Pearsall 0-1-0-0.
RECEIVING: Detroit, St. Brown 8-60, LaPorta 6-64, Ja.Williams 5-77, Gibbs 4-46, Reynolds 2-35, Robinson 1-21. San Francisco, Pearsall 8-141, Kittle 8-112, Jennings 7-67, Guerendo 4-65, Conley 1-13, Juszczyk 1-9, Samuel 1-5.
PUNT RETURNS: Detroit, None. San Francisco, None.
KICKOFF RETURNS: Detroit, Kennedy 3-86. San Francisco, Samuel 4-128.
INTERCEPTIONS: Detroit, Joseph 2-39. San Francisco, None.
TACKLES-ASSISTS-SACKS: Detroit, Arnold 6-0-0, Joseph 5-1-0, Campbell 4-5-0, Branch 4-3-1, Melifonwu 4-0-0, Nowaske 3-2-0, Reeves-Maybin 2-0-0, Robertson 2-0-0, Niemann 1-2-0, O'Connor 1-2-0, M.Adams 1-0-1, Onwuzurike 1-0-0, Paschal 1-0-0. San Francisco, Yiadom 6-1-0, Lenoir 5-4-0, Bosa 5-3-2, Hufanga 5-1-0, Mustapha 4-0-0, Winters 3-5-0, Warner 3-3-0, Green 2-2-0, Collins 2-0-0, Okuayinonu 2-0-0, Brown 1-1-0, Barrett 1-0-0, Flannigan-Fowles 1-0-0, Gross-Matos 1-0-0.
MISSED FIELD GOALS: San Francisco, Moody 58, Moody 51.

TENNIS

UNITED CUP INTERNATIONAL
TUESDAY'S SCORES
D: Italy 3, France 0 (Sydney)
A: U.S. 3, Croatia 0 (Perth)

WEDNESDAY'S EVENTS
B: Poland vs. Czech Republic (Sydney)
F: Great Britain vs. Australia (Sydney)
KNOCKOUT STAGE
QB: Germany vs. Kazakhstan (Perth)
QF: U.S. vs. China (Perth)

WTA ASB CLASSIC
Tuesday at ASB Tennis Centre; Auckland, New Zealand; hardcourt outdoor
WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16
#5Clara Tauson vs. Sofia Kenin, late
#7Naomi Osaka d. Julia Grabher, 7-5, 6-3.
Barnarda Pera d. Rebecca Marino, 7-6 (2), 6-4.
WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#1Madison Keys d. Lucia Bronzetti, 6-4, 6-4.
Alycia Parks d. #3Amanda Anisimova , 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Jaqueline Adina Cristian d. Yuliia Starodubtseva, 6-3, 2-0, rietired.
Sofia Kenin d. Wang Xiyu, 7-6(5), 6-1.
Hailey Baptiste d. Renata Jamrichova, 6-0, 6-2.
Greet Minnen d. Anna-Lena Friedsam, 6-4, 6-0.
Jodie Anna Burrage d. Vivian Yang, 6-3, 6-3.
Robin Montgomery d. Mai Hontama, 6-3, 2-6, 6-0.

HONG KONG TENNIS OPEN
Tuesday at Hong Kong Tennis Center; outdoors, hardcourt
MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#5 Nuno Borges d. Bu Yunchaokete, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6(6).
#7 Pedro Martinez Portero d. Francesco Passaro, 6-4, 6-3.
Marc-Andrea Huesler d. Alexandre Muller, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Zizou Bergs d. Alejandro Moro Canas, 6-4, 6-4.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Toronto	38	23	13	2	48	118	106
Florida	38	23	13	2	48	131	119
Boston	39	20	15	4	44	102	118
Tampa Bay	34	20	12	2	42	134	97
Ottawa	36	19	15	2	40	110	103
Montreal	37	17	17	3	37	113	127
Detroit	37	15	18	4	34	98	120
Buffalo	38	14	20	4	32	116	128

METRO.	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Washington	37	25	10	2	52	135	96
New Jersey	40	24	13	3	51	132	101
Carolina	37	22	13	2	46	129	103
Pittsburgh	39	17	17	5	39	120	145
Philadelphia	38	17	17	4	38	119	136
Columbus	38	16	16	6	38	127	136
N.Y. Islanders	38	14	17	7	35	102	122
N.Y. Rangers	36	16	19	1	33	101	113

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Winnipeg	39	27	11	1	55	142	96
Minnesota	38	23	11	4	50	113	104
Colorado	38	23	15	0	46	130	123
Dallas	36	22	13	1	45	116	91
St. Louis	39	18	17	4	40	106	117
Utah	36	16	14	6	38	105	108
Nashville	38	11	20	7	29	91	122
Chicago	38	12	24	2	26	96	129

PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Vegas	37	25	9	3	53	131	102
Los Angeles	36	21	10	5	47	113	95
Edmonton	36	21	12	3	45	117	104
Vancouver	35	17	10	8	42	111	112
Calgary	36	17	12	7	41	98	110
Seattle	38	17	19	2	36	111	119
Anaheim	36	15	17	4	34	91	111
San Jose	40	11	23	6	28	105	146

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Toronto 3, N.Y. Islanders 1
Anaheim 3, New Jersey 2
Washington 3, Boston 1
Montreal 3, Vegas 2
St. Louis 6, Chicago 2
Dallas 4, Buffalo 2
Minnesota 5, Nashville 3
Philadelphia 4, San Jose0
Detroit 4, Pittsburgh 2
Colorado 5, Winnipeg 2
Columbus 4, Carolina 3(SO)
Utah at Edmonton, late
Vancouver at Calgary, late

WEDNESDAY'S GAME
New Jersey at Los Angeles, 6p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAMES
Boston at N.Y. Rangers, 7p.m.
Carolina at Florida, 7p.m.
Detroit at Columbus, 7p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 7p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30p.m.
Anaheim at Winnipeg, 8p.m.
Ottawa at Dallas, 8p.m.
Buffalo at Colorado, 9p.m.
Utah at Calgary, 9p.m.
Philadelphia at Vegas, 10p.m.
Vancouver at Seattle, 10p.m.
Tampa Bay at San Jose, 10:30p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Pittsburgh at Florida, 7p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 8p.m.
Ottawa at St. Louis, 8p.m.
Anaheim at Edmonton, 9p.m.
Nashville at Vancouver, 10p.m.

MONDAY'S RESULTS
Florida 5, N.Y. Rangers 3
Winnipeg 3, Nashville 0
Seattle 5, Utah 2

PWHL

Team	GP	W	L	OW	OL	Pt	GF	GA
Minnesota	6	3	1	1	1	12	22	16
Montreal	6	2	2	2	0	10	15	16
New York	6	2	2	1	1	9	18	17
Boston	6	3	3	0	0	9	14	14
Ottawa	6	2	3	0	1	7	14	17
Toronto	6	2	3	0	1	7	17	20

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

TUESDAY'S RESULT
Ottawa at Toronto, late

THURSDAY'S GAME
Boston at Minnesota, 7:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAME
New York at Minnesota, 2p.m.

MONDAY'S RESULT
Boston 3, Montreal 1

Toronto 3, N.Y. Islanders 1

N.Y. Islanders	**0**	**1**	**0**	**— 1**
Toronto	**1**	**1**	**1**	**— 3**

First Period: 1, Toronto, Kampf 2 (Tanev, Nylander), 17:54
Penalties: Duclair, NYI (Kneeing), 8:31
Second Period: 2, N.Y; Islanders, Pageau 9 (Dobson, Barzal), 11:59. 3, Toronto, Lorentz 4 (Dewar, Reaves), 12:15
Penalties: Tavares, TOR (Holding), 7:53; Palmieri, NYI (Tripping), 16:47
Third Period: 4, Toronto, Tavares 19 (Marner, Nylander), 19:27 (en)
Penalties: Duclair, NYI (Hooking), 0:29; Knies, TOR (Holding Stick), 0:29; Pelech, NYI (Tripping), 14:57; Dobson, NYI (Tripping), 19:17; Pageau, NYI (Unsportsmanlike Conduct), 19:27
Shots on Goal: N.Y; Islanders 9-12-10—31. Toronto 7-13-5—25
Power-play opportunities: N.Y; Islanders 0 of 1; Toronto 1 of 4
Goalies: N.Y; Islanders, Sorokin 11-12-4 (24 shots-22 saves). Toronto, Woll 11-6-0 (31-30)
A: 18,933 (18,819)
T: 2:29
Referees: Pierre Lambert, Graham Skilliter
Linesmen: Brad Kovachik, James Tobias

Washington 3, Boston 1

Boston	**1**	**0**	**0**	**— 1**
Washington	**2**	**0**	**1**	**— 3**

First Period: 1, Boston, Brazeau 9 (Wotherspoon), 1:21; 2, Washington, Protas 15 (Wilson, Dubois), 12:05. 3, Washington, Chychrun 11 (Carlson, Strome), 17:11 (pp)
Penalties: Kastelic, BOS (High Sticking), 16:56; McAvoy, BOS (Slashing), 19:47; McMichael, WSH (Slashing), 19:47
Second Period: None
Penalties: Roy, WSH (Interference), 7:36; Chychrun, WSH (Tripping), 15:11
Third Period: 4, Washington, Protas 16 (Wilson), 19:51 (en)
Penalties: Zadorov, BOS (Interference), 8:40; Carlo, BOS (Roughing), 10:26; McMichael, WSH (Roughing), 10:26; Coyle, BOS (Roughing), 10:26; Mangiapane, WSH (Roughing), 10:26
Shots on Goal: Boston 10-6-11—27; Washington 11-8-8—27
Power-play opportunities: Boston 0 of 2; Washington 1 of 2
Goalies: Boston, Swayman 13-11-3 (26 shots-24 saves); Washington, Thompson 15-2-2 (27-26)
A: 18,573 (18,277)
T: 2:38
Referees: Francis Charron, Furman South
Linesmen: Tommy Hughes, Mark Shewchyk

Montreal 3, Vegas 2

Montreal	**0**	**1**	**2**	**— 3**
Vegas	**2**	**0**	**0**	**— 2**

First Period: 1, Vegas, Whitecloud 2 (Hertl, Kolesar), 2:23; 2, Vegas, Hanifin 6, 19:48
Penalties: None
Second Period: 3, Montreal, Caufield 19 (Slafkovsky, Suzuki), 17:27
Penalties: Dvorak, MTL (Tripping), 9:11
Third Period: 4, Montreal, Heineman 9 (Savard), 7:58; 5, Montreal, Dach 5 (Anderson), 10:09
Penalties: None
Shots on Goal: Montreal 9-5-8—22; Vegas 8-8-13—29
Power-play opportunities: Montreal 0 of 0; Vegas 0 of 1
Goalies: Montreal, Montembeault 14-14-2 (29 shots-27 saves); Vegas, Hill 16-6-2 (22-19)
A: 17,925 (17,367)
T: 2:23
Referees: Dan O'Rourke, Garrett Rank
Linesmen: Joseph Mahon, Jesse Marquis

Dallas 4, Buffalo 2

Buffalo	**0**	**1**	**1**	**— 2**
Dallas	**0**	**1**	**3**	**— 4**

First Period: None
Penalties: Clifton, BUF (Cross Checking), 17:12
Second Period: 1, Dallas, Hintz 16 (Robertson, Harley), 9:49; 2, Buffalo, Zucker 11 (Byram, Thompson), 10:20
Penalties: None
Third Period: 3, Dallas, Robertson 9, 2:35; 4, Buffalo, Malenstyn 4 (Lafferty, McLeod), 4:57. 5, Dallas, Johnston 9 (Harley), 11:32. 6, Dallas, Lindell 3 (Robertson, DeSmith), 18:23 (en)
Penalties: None
Shots on Goal: Buffalo 8-10-5—23; Dallas 12-10-11—33
Power-play opportunities: Buffalo 0 of 0; Dallas 0 of 1
Goalies: Buffalo, Luukkonen 11-12-3 (32 shots-29 saves); Dallas, DeSmith 5-4-0 (23-21)
A: 18,532(18,532). **T:** 2:22
Referees: Brandon Blandina, Chris Rooney
Linesmen: Kilian McNamara, Andrew Smith

Anaheim 3, New Jersey 2

New Jersey	**0**	**0**	**2**	**— 2**
Anaheim	**1**	**0**	**2**	**— 3**

First Period: 1, Anaheim, Terry 11 (Vatrano, Strome), 10:05
Penalties: Gauthier, ANA (High Sticking), 11:21; Leason, ANA (Holding), 15:58; Dillon, NJ (Interference), 15:58; Terry, ANA (Tripping), 17:33
Second Period: None
Penalties: New Jersey bench, served by MacDermid (Hooking), 8:20; Killorn, ANA (Elbowing), 8:20; Hischier, NJ (Holding), 8:20; Bratt, NJ (Tripping), 10:35; Lazar, NJ (Delay of Game), 18:07
Third Period: 2, Anaheim, Fabbri 6 (Dumoulin, Gauthier), 3:57; 3, New Jersey, Siegenthaler 2, 5:31. 4, New Jersey, Meier 14 (Hamilton, Noesen), 13:20. 5, Anaheim, Strome 7 (Vatrano, LaCombe), 16:36
Penalties: Hischier, NJ (Roughing), 13:20; McTavish, ANA (Roughing), 13:20
Shots on Goal: New Jersey 15-6-13—34; Anaheim 5-11-10—26
Power-play opportunities: New Jersey 0 of 2; Anaheim 0 of 3
Goalies: New Jersey, Markstrom 19-7-2 (26 shots-23 saves); Anaheim, Dostal 10-10-3 (34-32)
A: 17,174(17,174). **T:** 2:36
Referees: Tom Chmielewski, Brandon Schrader. **Linesmen:** Travis Gawryletz, Kiel Murchison

Philadelphia 4, San Jose 0

Philadelphia	**1**	**2**	**1**	**— 4**
San Jose	**0**	**0**	**0**	**— 0**

First Period: 1, Philadelphia, Seeler 3 (Drysdale), 5:59
Penalties: Dellandrea, SJ (High Sticking), 12:29; Couturier, PHI (Tripping), 14:38
Second Period: 2, Philadelphia, Poehling 3 (Brink, Zamula), 12:09; 3, Philadelphia, Konecny 17 (Tippett, Drysdale), 13:44 (pp)
Penalties: Granlund, SJ (Tripping), 13:35
Third Period: 4, Philadelphia, Zamula 3 (Brink, Cates), 2:30
Penalties: Ceci, SJ (High Sticking), 0:15; Kunin, SJ (Unsportsmanlike Conduct), 11:53; Konecny, PHI (Unsportsmanlike Conduct), 11:53
Shots on Goal: Philadelphia 9-11-14—34; San Jose 7-8-7—22
Power-play opportunities: Philadelphia 1 of 3; San Jose 0 of 1
Goalies: Philadelphia, Kolosov 4-7-1 (7 shots-7 saves), Philadelphia, Ersson 9-6-2 (15-15); San Jose, Georgiev 9-11-0 (34-30)
A: 14,816(17,562). **T:** 2:25
Referees: Justin Kea, TJ Luxmore
Linesmen: Brandon Gawryletz, Ryan Gibbons

Detroit 4, Pittsburgh 2

Pittsburgh	**1**	**0**	**1**	**— 2**
Detroit	**1**	**1**	**2**	**— 4**

First Period: 1, Detroit, Berggren 5 (Tarasenko, Compher), 7:52; 2, Pittsburgh, O'Connor 4 (Glass), 18:29
Penalties: Malkin, PIT (Slashing), 4:15
Second Period: 3, Detroit, Kane 7 (DeBrincat, Raymond), 3:41 (pp)
Penalties: Glass, PIT (Tripping), 2:50; Larkin, DET (Holding), 9:46
Third Period: 4, Pittsburgh, O'Connor 5 (Karlsson, Crosby), 3:18 (pp); 5, Detroit, Compher 5 (Gustafsson, Berggren), 14:26 (pp). 6, Detroit, Larkin 13 (Veleno, Raymond), 19:46 (en)
Penalties: Petry, DET (Tripping), 1:45; Edvinsson, DET (High Sticking), 7:53; Karlsson, PIT (Tripping), 12:55
Shots on Goal: Pittsburgh 7-7-11—25; Detroit 7-10-8—25
Power-play opportunities: Pittsburgh 1 of 3; Detroit 2 of 3
Goalies: Pittsburgh, Nedeljkovic 6-6-3 (24 shots-21 saves); Detroit, Lyon 7-5-0 (25-23)
A: 19,515(20,000). **T:** 2:22
Referees: Gord Dwyer, Eric Furlatt. **Linesmen**: Scott Cherrey, Jonathan Deschamps

Colorado 5, Winnipeg 2

Winnipeg	**0**	**2**	**0**	**— 2**
Colorado	**1**	**1**	**3**	**— 5**

First Period: 1, Colorado, Lehkonen 14 (Manson, Girard), 11:51
Penalties: Miller, WPG (Hooking), 17:03
Second Period: 2, Winnipeg, Kupari 3 (Barron, Pionk), 10:20; 3, Colorado, Toews 2 (Makar, O'Connor), 16:37. 4, Winnipeg, Vilardi 18 (Stanley, Niederreiter), 18:32
Penalties: None
Third Period: 5, Colorado, Mittelstadt 8 (Manson, Drouin), 7:22; 6, Colorado, Rantanen 21 (Kiviranta, MacKinnon), 18:31 (en). 7, Colorado, Colton 11, 19:53 (en)
Penalties: None
Shots on Goal: Winnipeg 10-7-6—23; Colorado 14-11-13—38
Power-play opportunities: Winnipeg 0 of 0; Colorado 0 of 1
Goalies: Winnipeg, Comrie 3-6-0 (36 shots-33 saves); Colorado, Blackwood 11-10-3 (23-21)

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	24	9	.727	—
New York	23	10	.697	1
Philadelphia	13	17	.433	9½
Brooklyn	12	20	.375	11½
Toronto	7	26	.212	17

SOUTHEAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Orlando	20	14	.588	—
Atlanta	18	15	.545	1½
Miami	16	14	.533	2
Charlotte	7	25	.219	12
Washington	5	25	.167	13

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB
Cleveland	28	4	.875	—
Milwaukee	17	14	.548	10½
Indiana	16	18	.471	13
Chicago	15	18	.455	13½
Detroit	14	18	.438	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Memphis	22	11	.667	—
Houston	21	11	.656	½
Dallas	20	13	.606	2
San Antonio	17	16	.515	5
New Orleans	5	28	.152	17

NORTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Oklahoma City	27	5	.844	—
Denver	18	13	.581	8½
Minnesota	17	15	.531	10
Portland	11	21	.344	16
Utah	7	24	.226	19½

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT	GB
L.A. Lakers	18	13	.581	—
L.A. Clippers	19	14	.576	—
Golden State	16	16	.500	2½
Phoenix	15	16	.484	3
Sacramento	14	19	.424	5

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Milwaukee 120, Indiana 112
Boston 125, Toronto 71
San Antonio 122, L.A. Clippers 86
Oklahoma City 113, Minnesota 105
Cleveland at L.A. Lakers, late
Memphis at Phoenix, late

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Chicago at Washington, 7p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 7p.m.
Utah at New York, 7:30p.m.
Brooklyn at Toronto, 7:30p.m.
New Orleans at Miami, 7:30p.m.
Dallas at Houston, 8p.m.
Atlanta at Denver, 9p.m.
Philadelphia at Sacramento, 10p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAMES
Boston at Minnesota, 7:30p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 7:30p.m.
Brooklyn at Milwaukee, 8p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, 8p.m.
Philadelphia at Golden State, 10p.m.
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Charlotte at Detroit, 7p.m.
Orlando at Toronto, 7:30p.m.
New York at Oklahoma City, 8p.m.
Boston at Houston, 8p.m.
Washington at New Orleans, 8p.m.
Cleveland at Dallas, 8:30p.m.
San Antonio at Denver, 9p.m.
Memphis at Sacramento, 10p.m.
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers, 10:30p.m.

MONDAY'S RESULTS
New York 126, Washington 106
Chicago 115, Charlotte 108, OT
L.A. Clippers 116, New Orleans 113
Denver 132, Utah 121
Cleveland 113, Golden State 95
Sacramento 110, Dallas 100
Philadelphia 125, Portland 103

KEY DATES

Jan. 5: 10-day contracts may now be signed
Jan. 10: All NBA contracts are guaranteed for the remainder of the season
Jan. 20: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
12 p.m.: Mavericks at Hornets, NBA TV
2:30 p.m.: Timberwolves at Grizzlies, TNT
5 p.m.: Celtics at Warriors, TNT
Jan. 23 & Jan. 25: NBA Paris Games 2025
2 p.m., Jan. 23: Spurs vs. Pacers, ESPN
12 p.m. Jan. 25: Spurs vs. Pacers, ESPN
Feb. 6: NBA Trade Deadline (3 p.m.)
Feb 14-16: NBA All-Star 2025 (San Francisco)
Feb. 14-19: NBA All-Star break
March 1: Playoff Eligibility Waiver Deadline
April 1: NBA G League Playoffs begins
April 13: NBA Regular Season ends. All 30 teams to play.

Seven Eastern Conference games to tip-off at 1 p.m. ET. The one cross-conference and seven Western Conference games to tip-off at 3:30 p.m. ET.

Boston 125, Toronto 71

TORONTO	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Agbaji	24:43	1-7	0-0	1-3	1	1	2
Barnes	31:10	7-19	1-1	2-13	2	0	16
Poeltl	29:42	3-4	1-2	4-13	3	3	7
Mitchell	26:09	3-4	1-2	0-2	3	2	9
Walter	22:23	1-10	1-2	1-2	2	1	3
Shead	24:31	2-10	0-0	0-1	3	0	5
B.Brown	19:23	2-7	1-2	1-2	1	3	6
Battle	19:01	3-8	0-0	3-3	2	2	9
Boucher	14:26	2-7	2-2	0-2	1	1	7
Olynyk	9:49	2-5	0-0	1-1	0	1	5
Mogbo	6:14	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Chomche	4:32	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
Lawson	4:00	0-3	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Fernando	3:57	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Totals	**240:00**	**27-86**	**7-11**	**14-44**	**18**	**16**	**71**

Percentages: FG .314, FT .636
3-Point Goals: 10-40, .250 (Battle 3-6, Mitchell 2-2, B.Brown 1-2, Olynyk 1-2, Boucher 1-4, Shead 1-5, Barnes 1-8, Lawson 0-3, Agbaji 0-4, Walter 0-4)
Team Rebounds: 8
Blocked Shots: 4 (Agbaji, Barnes, Poeltl, Walter)
Turnovers: 21 (Barnes 6, Mitchell 5, Agbaji 3, Shead 3, Battle, Mogbo, Poeltl, Walter)
Steals: 8 (Barnes 2, Poeltl 2, Shead 2, B.Brown, Boucher)

BOSTON	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
J.Brown	25:28	6-13	0-0	5-9	3	1	12
Tatum	29:22	6-13	7-11	0-8	3	2	23
Horford	20:58	0-7	0-0	0-6	4	1	0
Holiday	25:05	5-8	0-0	1-1	4	0	14
White	27:22	6-8	1-2	0-4	3	2	16
Pritchard	22:56	7-13	0-0	1-6	4	1	19
Queta	18:38	4-5	0-0	3-4	0	1	8
Hauser	17:50	4-7	0-0	0-2	1	0	12
Kornet	13:03	1-2	0-0	1-4	2	0	2
Peterson	12:00	2-3	0-0	0-4	2	0	5
Walsh	12:00	4-6	1-2	0-1	2	1	10
Tillman	9:04	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Springer	6:14	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
Totals	**240:00**	**47-87**	**9-15**	**11-49**	**29**	**10**	**125**

Percentages: FG .540, FT .600
3-Point Goals: 22-43, .512 (Pritchard 5-8, Holiday 4-5, Hauser 4-7, Tatum 4-9, White 3-3, Walsh 1-1, Peterson 1-2, J.Brown 0-2, Horford 0-6)
Team Rebounds: 8
Blocked Shots: 7 (White 4, Queta 2, Tillman)
Turnovers: 13 (J.Brown 3, Tatum 3, Pritchard 2, White 2, Kornet, Peterson, Springer)
Steals: 14 (Holiday 3, Pritchard 3, Horford 2, Tillman 2, J.Brown, Queta, Tatum, White)

	1	2	3	4	Final
Toronto	**12**	**23**	**18**	**18**	**— 71**
Boston	**23**	**22**	**45**	**35**	**— 125**

A: 19,156 (18,624)

Okla. City 113, Minnesota 105

MINNESOTA	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
McDaniels	27:44	3-8	0-0	0-6	0	2	7
Randle	27:11	5-12	0-0	4-6	6	1	11
Gobert	31:04	3-6	2-2	2-7	1	2	8
Conley	23:19	5-10	2-2	1-1	4	1	16
A.Edwards	38:49	6-12	4-4	0-7	2	3	20
Reid	32:55	8-14	2-2	2-8	1	4	19
DiVincenzo	29:50	3-10	2-2	1-4	5	2	10
Alexander-Walkr	19:23	3-3	0-0	0-4	1	3	8
Minott	9:44	3-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	6
Totals	**240:00**	**39-79**	**12-12**	**10-43**	**21**	**18**	**105**

Percentages: FG .494, FT 1.000
3-Point Goals: 15-38, .395 (A.Edwards 4-7, Conley 4-7, Alexander-Walker 2-2, DiVincenzo 2-7, Randle 1-4, McDaniels 1-5, Reid 1-5, Minott 0-1)
Team Rebounds: 3
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 7 (Reid 3, Gobert 2, A.Edwards, Randle)
Turnovers: 23 (Alexander-Walker 5, Randle 4, Reid 4, A.Edwards 3, McDaniels 3, DiVincenzo 2, Conley, Gobert)
Steals: 3 (Conley 2, Reid)
Technical Fouls: None

OKLA. CITY	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Dort	34:36	5-12	0-0	2-6	2	2	14
Jal.Williams	37:44	6-12	1-4	0-7	7	3	14
Hartenstein	32:00	5-10	5-5	3-10	4	1	15
Gilgeous-Alexndr	34:20	15-23	7-9	1-3	2	1	40
Wallace	32:00	1-8	3-4	1-2	7	2	5
Mitchell	17:58	1-4	1-1	1-3	0	2	3
K.Williams	14:37	2-4	0-0	1-2	0	2	5
Wiggins	13:40	3-6	0-0	0-3	1	0	7
Joe	12:39	3-6	0-0	0-0	1	0	7
Jay.Williams	10:26	1-4	0-0	0-1	1	0	3
Totals	**240:00**	**42-89**	**17-23**	**9-37**	**25**	**13**	**113**

Percentages: FG .472, FT .739
3-Point Goals: 12-36, .333 (Dort 4-7, Gilgeous-Alexander 3-5, K.Williams 1-2, Wiggins 1-2, Jal.Williams 1-4, Jay.Williams 1-4, Joe 1-4, Hartenstein 0-1, Mitchell 0-3, Wallace 0-4)
Team Rebounds: 10
Team Turnovers: 3
Blocked Shots: 2 (Hartenstein 2)
Turnovers: 9 (Gilgeous-Alexander 3, Jal. Williams 3, Dort, K.Williams, Wiggins)
Steals: 16 (Wallace 4, Gilgeous-Alexander 3, Jal.Williams 3, Dort, Hartenstein, Jay. Williams, Joe, K.Williams, Wiggins)
Technical Fouls: None

	1	2	3	4	Final
Minnesota	**24**	**28**	**23**	**30**	**— 105**
Oklahoma City	**21**	**25**	**43**	**24**	**— 113**

A: 18,203 (18,203)

Milwaukee 120, Indiana 112

MILWAUKEE	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Antetokounmpo	34:49	11-20	8-13	2-12	5	4	30
Middleton	30:48	4-11	6-6	2-6	7	4	15
Lopez	23:48	7-11	2-2	1-5	3	0	16
Jackson Jr.	11:51	2-3	0-0	0-2	0	3	4
Lillard	35:57	3-14	0-0	2-4	5	2	9
Portis	30:56	6-14	2-2	4-15	3	0	14
Trent Jr.	28:41	5-9	0-0	0-2	1	1	14
Prince	25:21	4-9	0-1	1-3	2	3	9
Green	16:19	3-6	0-0	1-2	1	5	9
Rollins	1:29	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	**240:00**	**45-97**	**18-24**	**13-51**	**27**	**22**	**120**

Percentages: FG .464, FT .750
3-Point Goals: 12-33, .364 (Trent Jr. 4-5, Green 3-6, Lillard 3-9, Middleton 1-4, Prince 1-4, Portis 0-2, Lopez 0-3)
Team Rebounds: 5
Blocked Shots: 0
Turnovers: 12 (Lillard 4, Middleton 4, Antetokounmpo 2, Lopez, Prince)
Steals: 10 (Antetokounmpo 2, Lillard 2, Portis 2, Prince 2, Trent Jr. 2)

INDIANA	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Mathurin	36:58	10-18	2-5	2-9	2	3	25
Siakam	31:00	6-14	5-8	0-7	4	3	20
Turner	33:23	7-12	0-0	4-10	2	3	16
Haliburton	38:38	3-13	5-6	2-6	7	2	12
Nembhard	31:40	4-14	0-0	0-2	3	4	10
Sheppard	18:57	2-5	0-0	0-7	0	2	5
Walker	18:34	3-5	4-4	0-1	1	2	11
McConnell	16:20	3-5	0-2	0-4	5	0	6
Toppin	9:26	1-3	2-4	0-2	2	0	4
Bryant	5:04	1-1	1-1	1-2	0	1	3
Totals	**240:00**	**40-90**	**19-30**	**9-50**	**26**	**20**	**112**

Percentages: FG .444, FT .633
3-Point Goals: 13-37, .351 (Mathurin 3-5, Siakam 3-7, Nembhard 2-5, Turner 2-5, Walker 1-3, Sheppard 1-4, Haliburton 1-6, McConnell 0-1, Toppin 0-1)
Team Rebounds: 13
Team Turnovers: 2
Blocked Shots: 7 (Haliburton 2, Mathurin, Sheppard, Toppin, Turner, Walker)
Turnovers: 16 (Mathurin 5, McConnell 3, Nembhard 3, Turner 2, Haliburton, Siakam, Toppin)
Steals: 8 (Walker 3, McConnell 2, Haliburton, Mathurin, Sheppard)

	1	2	3	4	Final
Milwaukee	**30**	**23**	**35**	**32**	**— 120**
Indiana	**28**	**36**	**27**	**21**	**— 112**

A: 17,274 (20,000)

Philadelphia 125, Portland 103

MONDAY'S RESULT

PHILADELPHIA	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
George	22:50	4-9	0-0	3-6	4	5	9
C.Martin	37:39	3-6	0-0	0-1	2	3	7
Embiid	35:38	12-21	12-13	3-9	3	2	37
Maxey	35:52	7-13	6-6	0-1	3	4	23
Oubre Jr.	36:44	6-10	3-3	2-5	2	3	15
Yabusele	27:59	6-9	2-3	0-4	1	1	16
Jackson	17:52	1-3	1-2	0-2	4	1	3
Council IV	13:36	2-2	2-2	0-1	0	3	7
Dowtin Jr.	4:51	1-1	0-0	0-2	0	0	3
Bona	4:03	0-0	2-2	0-0	1	2	2
Nance	2:56	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	3	3
Totals	**240:00**	**43-75**	**28-31**	**8-32**	**20**	**27**	**125**

Percentages: FG .573, FT .903
3-Point Goals: 11-24, .458 (Maxey 3-7, Yabusele 2-4, Council IV 1-1, Dowtin Jr. 1-1, Embiid 1-1, Nance 1-1)
Team Rebounds: 10
Blocked Shots: 3 (C.Martin, Oubre Jr., Yabusele)
Turnovers: 19 (Embiid 4, George 4, Maxey 4, Oubre Jr. 2, Yabusele 2, Council IV, Dowtin Jr., Jackson)
Steals: 12 (Oubre Jr. 8, C.Martin, George, Maxey, Yabusele)
Technical Fouls: Lowry, 7:35 second; Oubre Jr., 4:50 second

PORTLAND	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Avdija	32:56	5-9	5-5	2-7	2	3	17
Camara	33:56	4-9	4-5	6-10	1	5	12
Ayton	29:51	6-8	0-0	3-6	3	3	12
Sharpe	34:14	5-14	1-2	0-1	1	3	12
Simons	30:14	9-18	3-4	0-4	4	4	25
Henderson	23:49	2-7	2-3	0-0	7	2	6
Murray	15:11	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	2
Williams III	11:25	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	3	0
Clingan	8:31	1-2	1-2	0-1	2	2	3
Rupert	7:44	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0
McGowens	4:03	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Reath	4:03	2-3	4-6	0-1	0	1	9
Walker	4:03	2-3	1-3	0-0	0	0	5
Totals	**240:00**	**37-77**	**21-30**	**12-33**	**23**	**26**	**103**

Percentages: FG .481, FT .700
3-Point Goals: 8-36, .222 (Simons 4-10, Avdija 2-5, Reath 1-2, Sharpe 1-8)
Team Rebounds: 9
Team Turnovers: 2
Blocked Shots: 4 (Ayton 2, Williams III 2)
Turnovers: 24 (Avdija 10, Ayton 3, Clingan 3, Henderson 3, Sharpe 3, Simons, Williams III)
Steals: 8 (Henderson 3, Camara 2, Avdija, Murray, Rupert)

	1	2	3	4	Final
Philadelphia	**33**	**31**	**27**	**34**	**— 125**
Portland	**31**	**23**	**18**	**31**	**— 103**

A: 16,721(19,393). **T:** 2:27

San Antonio 122, Clippers 86

L.A. CLIPPERS	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Jones Jr.	21:08	2-5	1-2	1-2	0	1	6
Powell	26:20	4-12	4-4	0-5	2	0	15
Zubac	22:10	2-7	1-2	2-7	2	2	5
Dunn	22:36	3-6	0-0	0-2	1	2	7
Harden	25:28	5-11	5-6	1-3	1	1	17
Coffey	28:12	6-12	0-0	0-2	0	1	14
Hyland	17:20	2-10	2-2	0-1	2	1	7
K.Jones	17:20	2-6	0-0	1-4	1	1	4
Miller	14:09	0-1	2-2	2-6	3	0	2
Porter Jr.	13:24	1-6	0-0	1-4	4	2	2
Batum	12:43	0-1	0-0	1-3	0	2	0
Brown	12:00	2-6	0-0	0-0	0	1	5
Bamba	7:10	1-4	0-0	1-2	1	1	2
Totals	**240:00**	**30-87**	**15-18**	**10-41**	**17**	**15**	**86**

Percentages: FG .345, FT .833
3-Point Goals: 11-41, .268 (Powell 3-10, Coffey 2-4, Harden 2-6, Brown 1-1)
Team Rebounds: 7
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 3 (Brown, Harden, K.Jones)
Turnovers: 13 (Harden 5, Batum, Dunn, Hyland, Jones Jr., Miller, Porter Jr., Powell, Zubac)
Steals: 7 (Miller 2, Powell 2, Coffey, Dunn, Harden)

SAN ANTONIO	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Barnes	24:45	4-9	0-0	2-4	1	1	11
Sochan	15:13	2-5	0-0	2-5	2	1	4
Wembanyama	25:41	10-18	6-7	1-9	5	3	27
Paul	20:09	3-5	0-0	2-9	4	1	7
Vassell	26:24	4-14	0-0	0-3	3	2	8
Castle	23:10	5-8	5-6	0-4	4	2	15
Johnson	19:00	7-11	2-2	1-6	1	0	17
T.Jones	17:56	1-2	0-0	2-4	4	1	2
Collins	16:44	2-5	3-3	3-4	4	1	7
Champagnie	16:01	3-8	1-1	1-2	1	0	9
Wesley	8:33	1-1	0-0	0-0	4	0	2
Mamukelashvili	7:52	2-3	0-0	0-4	1	1	4
Branham	7:22	2-4	0-0	0-1	0	1	5
Bassey	5:35	1-3	0-0	1-3	2	1	2
Cissoko	5:35	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	2
Totals	**240:00**	**48-98**	**17-19**	**15-58**	**37**	**15**	**122**

Percentages: FG .490, FT .895
3-Point Goals: 9-40, .225 (Barnes 3-4, Champagnie 2-6, Paul 1-2, Branham 1-3, Johnson 1-4, Wembanyama 1-6)
Team Rebounds: 6
Blocked Shots: 7 (Wembanyama 3, Castle, Champagnie, Mamukelashvili, Wesley)
Turnovers: 9 (T.Jones 2, Wembanyama 2, Bassey, Castle, Champagnie, Johnson, Sochan)
Steals: 10 (Paul 3, Vassell 3, Castle, Collins, Sochan, Wembanyama)

	1	2	3	4	Final
L.A. Clippers	**17**	**26**	**20**	**23**	**— 86**
San Antonio	**31**	**32**	**28**	**31**	**— 122**

A: 18,690(18,581). **T:** 2:03

Sacramento 110, Dallas 100

MONDAY'S RESULT

DALLAS	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Grimes	32:55	4-12	0-0	1-7	3	1	11
Washington	38:04	8-20	8-10	0-4	1	4	28
Gafford	27:30	3-5	2-2	0-6	0	5	8
Dinwiddie	35:30	8-18	11-12	0-3	6	1	30
Hardy	20:49	3-7	0-1	0-3	0	4	8
Kleber	29:25	0-3	0-0	0-4	1	0	0
Williams	19:38	4-6	2-2	0-1	2	1	10
Powell	16:50	0-0	0-0	1-5	2	1	0
Prosper	8:50	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Gortman	8:20	2-3	1-2	0-2	1	3	5
Edwards	2:09	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	**240:00**	**32-76**	**24-29**	**2-36**	**17**	**20**	**100**

Percentages: FG .421, FT .828
3-Point Goals: 12-31, .387 (Washington 4-9, Dinwiddie 3-6, Grimes 3-7, Hardy 2-3)
Team Rebounds: 5
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 13 (Gafford 5, Hardy 2, Powell 2, Washington 2, Grimes, Kleber)
Turnovers: 17 (Grimes 4, Gafford 3, Gortman 3, Dinwiddie 2, Washington 2, Williams 2, Hardy)
Steals: 8 (Powell 2, Dinwiddie, Gafford, Gortman, Prosper, Washington, Williams)
Technical Fouls: None

SACRAMENTO	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
DeRozan	25:30	6-13	1-1	0-4	2	4	14
Murray	36:02	2-8	0-0	0-6	1	3	4
Sabonis	33:25	8-16	1-2	7-16	7	3	17
Fox	35:13	13-23	4-5	2-6	6	5	33
Monk	35:37	4-14	5-6	2-7	6	4	14
Lyles	21:47	5-9	1-1	1-4	1	1	14
Ellis	19:59	1-5	4-4	1-5	0	1	7
Huerter	19:37	1-5	0-0	0-2	1	1	3
Len	7:14	2-7	0-0	5-8	0	1	4
Crawford	1:24	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
C.Jones	1:24	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
I.Jones	1:24	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
McLaughlin	1:24	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
McDermott	0:00	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	**240:00**	**42-100**	**16-19**	**18-58**	**25**	**23**	**110**

Percentages: FG .420, FT .842
3-Point Goals: 10-32, .313 (Lyles 3-6, Fox 3-7, DeRozan 1-2, Ellis 1-3, Huerter 1-4)
Team Rebounds: 11
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 1 (Huerter)
Turnovers: 15 (Monk 6, Ellis 3, Sabonis 2)
Steals: 8 (Ellis 2, Murray 2, Fox, Lyles, Monk, Sabonis)
Technical Fouls: Fox, 7:49 third; Lyles, 11:02 fourth

	1	2	3	4	Final
Dallas	**37**	**23**	**17**	**23**	**— 100**
Sacramento	**23**	**33**	**27**	**27**	**— 110**

T: 2:19

Denver 132, Utah 121

MONDAY'S RESULT

DENVER	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Braun	36:08	9-12	2-2	0-2	2	3	20
Porter Jr.	34:45	8-18	2-3	5-6	2	4	21
Jokic	38:18	14-33	5-6	7-22	11	0	36
Murray	37:14	7-17	4-4	1-4	10	2	20
Westbrook	32:44	7-7	2-2	3-10	10	3	16
Watson	26:22	6-9	0-0	0-4	1	1	13
Strawther	17:49	1-5	2-2	1-2	1	2	4
Jordan	9:42	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	1	2
Tyson	6:58	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	**240:00**	**53-105**	**17-19**	**17-51**	**38**	**17**	**132**

Percentages: FG .505, FT .895
3-Point Goals: 9-30, .300 (Porter Jr. 3-6, Jokic 3-9, Murray 2-6, Watson 1-3, Braun 0-1, Tyson 0-2, Strawther 0-3)
Team Rebounds: 6
Blocked Shots: 3 (Braun, Murray, Watson)
Turnovers: 7 (Murray 3, Jokic 2, Strawther, Watson)
Steals: 13 (Jokic 4, Westbrook 4, Braun 2, Murray 2, Strawther)
Technical Fouls: coach Michael Malone, 00:43 second

UTAH	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Juzang	22:51	5-9	2-2	1-4	1	1	14
Markkanen	32:03	5-13	5-5	1-1	0	1	17
Kessler	37:37	6-6	0-0	2-13	4	4	12
George	28:16	3-9	0-1	0-3	6	0	7
Sexton	28:41	9-19	3-3	1-2	4	2	22
Clarkson	27:46	7-15	7-7	2-5	4	2	24
Sensabaugh	18:07	2-5	0-0	0-3	1	3	5
Collier	17:08	3-4	1-1	0-4	5	1	8
Williams	17:08	2-3	1-2	0-1	1	1	7
Filipowski	10:23	2-3	1-1	0-1	2	2	5
Totals	**240:00**	**44-86**	**20-22**	**7-37**	**28**	**17**	**121**

Percentages: FG .512, FT .909
3-Point Goals: 13-38, .342 (Clarkson 3-5, Williams 2-3, Juzang 2-5, Markkanen 2-9, Collier 1-2, George 1-4, Sensabaugh 1-4, Sexton 1-6)
Team Rebounds: 4
Blocked Shots: 2 (Kessler 2)
Turnovers: 16 (Clarkson 4, George 3, Kessler 2, Markkanen 2, Sensabaugh 2, Sexton 2, Williams)
Steals: 6 (Filipowski 2, Clarkson, Collier, George, Kessler)

	1	2	3	4	Final
Denver	**36**	**28**	**34**	**34**	**— 132**
Utah	**37**	**29**	**23**	**32**	**— 121**

A: 18,175(18,206). **Time:** 2:06

Cleveland 113, Golden State 95

MONDAY'S RESULT

CLEVELAND	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Mobley	24:40	2-6	2-2	1-7	1	5	7
Wade	25:19	4-7	0-0	3-13	0	3	10
Allen	24:43	6-9	0-0	3-9	1	5	12
Garland	28:34	10-17	2-4	0-3	8	2	25
Mitchell	27:21	9-19	0-0	0-3	4	0	23
LeVert	21:03	3-9	1-2	0-1	1	0	9
Niang	19:48	1-3	0-0	0-3	5	4	3
Jerome	19:34	3-10	2-2	1-2	4	2	10
Strus	18:53	1-6	0-0	0-4	1	0	3
Merrill	13:45	2-4	0-0	1-2	0	4	5
Porter Jr.	4:05	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	2
Thompson	4:05	1-1	0-0	1-2	0	0	2
Thor	4:05	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	2
Tyson	4:05	0-1	0-0	1-3	0	0	0
Totals	**240:00**	**44-96**	**7-10**	**11-54**	**25**	**25**	**113**

Percentages: FG .458, FT .700
3-Point Goals: 18-47, .383 (Mitchell 5-11, Garland 3-8, LeVert 2-4, Jerome 2-5, Wade 2-5)
Team Rebounds: 6
Blocked Shots: 6 (Allen 2, Mobley 2, Wade 2)
Turnovers: 16 (Mobley 6, Strus 3, LeVert 2, Allen, Merrill, Mitchell, Niang, Thompson)
Steals: 10 (Garland 2, LeVert 2, Allen, Jerome, Mobley, Niang, Strus, Wade)
Technical Fouls: Jerome, 00:47 fourth

GOLDEN STATE	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	REB O-T	A	PF	PTS
Green	25:04	1-10	0-2	3-8	5	2	2
Wiggins	27:16	5-9	0-0	0-3	2	2	11
Jackson-Davis	28:34	6-14	4-4	6-16	2	2	16
Curry	29:05	4-14	0-0	0-2	3	1	11
Schroder	30:19	4-11	2-2	1-4	3	2	12
Kuminga	31:57	4-15	10-14	2-10	2	3	18
Moody	20:33	7-8	2-2	0-2	1	0	19
Hield	18:47	1-8	0-0	1-3	0	0	2
Waters III	14:28	0-6	2-2	0-2	0	2	2
Post	4:39	1-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	2
Santos	4:39	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Spencer	4:39	0-1	0-0	0-3	2	0	0
Totals	**240:00**	**33-99**	**20-26**	**14-55**	**20**	**14**	**95**

Percentages: FG .333, FT .769
3-Point Goals: 9-38, .237 (Moody 3-4, Curry 3-11, Schroder 2-4, Wiggins 1-5)
Team Rebounds: 12
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 8 (Green 2, Jackson-Davis 2, Wiggins 2, Curry, Kuminga)
Turnovers: 14 (Schroder 4, Green 3, Jackson-Davis 2, Wiggins 2, Curry, Hield, Moody)
Steals: 5 (Curry, Green, Kuminga, Moody, Spencer)

	1	2	3	4	Final
Cleveland	**26**	**20**	**37**	**30**	**— 113**
Golden State	**27**	**11**	**27**	**30**	**— 95**

A: 18,064(18,064). **T:** 2:10

SPORTS CALENDAR

	WED JAN1	THU JAN2	FRI JAN3	SAT JAN4	SUN JAN5	MON JAN6	TUE JAN7
Giants					PHI 1:00 P.M. CH. 2		
Jets					MIA 4:25 P.M. CH. 5		
Knicks	UTAH 7:30 P.M. MSG		OKC 8:00 P.M. MSG	CHI 8:00 P.M. MSG		ORL 7:30 P.M. MSG	
Nets	TOR 7:30 P.M. YES	MIL 8:00 P.M. YES		PHI 6:00 P.M. YES		IND 7:30 P.M. YES	
Rangers		BOS 7:00 P.M. MSG		WAS NOON CH. 7	CHI 3:00 P.M. CH. 7		DAL 7:00 P.M. MSG
Devils	LA 6:00 P.M. MSGSN			SJ 4:00 P.M. MSGSN		SEA 10:00 P.M. MSGSN	
Islanders		TOR 7:30 P.M. ESPN+			BOS 6:00 P.M. MSGSN		
Red Storm				BUT 2:00 P.M. FS1			XAVIER 6:30 P.M. FS1

NBA

7:30 p.m.: Knicks vs. Jazz, MSG
7:30 p.m.: Nets at Raptors, YES

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Noon: Miami at Boston College, ACCN
Noon: UNC-Greensboro at Wofford, CBSSN
2 p.m.: California at Pittsburgh, ACCN
2 p.m.: UConn at DePaul, CBSSN
4 p.m.: Stanford at Clemson, ACCN
6 p.m.: North Carolina at Louisville, ACCN
6:30 p.m.: Villanova at Butler, FS1

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

3 p.m.: Nebraska at Southern Cal, BTN
5 p.m.: Michigan at UCLA, BTN
8:30 p.m.: Seton Hall at Villanova, FS1

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

1 p.m.: The Peach Bowl: Texas vs. Arizona St., CFP Quarterfinal, Atlanta, ESPN
5 p.m.: The Rose Bowl: Ohio St. vs. Oregon, CFP Quarterfinal, Pasadena, Calif., ESPN
8:45 p.m.: The Sugar Bowl: Notre Dame vs. Georgia, CFP Quarterfinal, New Orleans, ESPN

NHL

6 p.m.: Devils at Kings, MSGSN

SOCCER

9:55 a.m.: English League One: Wrexham AFC at Barnsley, CBSSN
12:30 p.m.: Premier League: Arsenal at Brentford, USA

TENNIS

6 a.m.: United Cup: Quarterfinals Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Hong Kong-ATP, Auckland-WTA Early Rounds, TENNIS
7 p.m.: United Cup: Quarterfinals Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Hong Kong-ATP, Auckland-WTA Early Rounds, TENNIS
6 a.m. (Thursday): United Cup: Quarterfinals Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Hong Kong-ATP, Auckland-WTA Early Rounds, TENNIS

ODDS

NHL — WEDNESDAY

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
New Jersey	-125	at Los Angeles	+105

NBA — WEDNESDAY

FAVORITE	LINE	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Miami	9	(221½)	New Orleans
at Detroit	1½	(213)	Orlando
Chicago	4½	(237½)	at Washington
Brooklyn	1	(221½)	at Toronto
at New York	14½	(231)	Utah
at Houston	5	(221½)	Dallas
at Denver	4½	(245)	Atlanta
at Sacramento	7	(224½)	Philadelphia

NFL WEEK 18 — SATURDAY

FAVORITE	NOW	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Baltimore	17½	(42½)	Cleveland
Cincinnati	1½	(48½)	at Pittsburgh

SUNDAY

FAVORITE	NOW	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Green Bay	9½	(40½)	Chicago
Washington	4½	(44½)	at Dallas
Buffalo	2½	(38½)	at New England
at Atlanta	7½	(48½)	Carolina
at Tampa Bay	13½	(43½)	New Orleans
at Tennessee	1½	(38½)	Houston
at Indianapolis	5½	(45½)	Jacksonville
at Philadelphia	3	(38½)	NY Giants
Seattle	5½	(38½)	at LA Rams
at Denver	9½	(39½)	Kansas City
at Arizona	4½	(42½)	San Francisco
LA Chargers	5½	(41½)	at Las Vegas
Miami	1½	(39½)	at NY Jets
at Detroit	2½	(56½)	Minnesota

COLLEGE FOOTBALL — WEDNESDAY

FAVORITE	NOW	O/U	UNDERDOG
Peach Bowl - CFP Quarterfinal, Atlanta			
Texas	12½	(51½)	Arizona St
Rose Bowl - CFP Quarterfinal, Pasadena			
Ohio State	2½	(55½)	Oregon
Sugar Bowl - CFP Quarterfinal, New Orleans			
Georgia	1½	(45½)	Notre Dame
Gator Bowl, Jacksonville — THURSDAY			
Mississippi	17½	(51½)	Duke
First Responder Bowl — FRIDAY			
Texas State	13½	(61½)	North Texas
Duke's Mayo Bowl, Charlotte, N.C.			
Minnesota	8½	(42½)	Virginia Tech
Nassau Bahamas Bowl — SATURDAY			
Buffalo	2½	(50½)	Liberty

For the latest odds, go to BetMGM Sportsbook

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

TUESDAY'S QUARTERFINAL
Vrbo Fiesta Bowl, Glendale, Ariz.
#6 Penn State 31, Boise State 14

WEDNESDAY'S QUARTERFINALS
Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl, Atlanta, Ga.
#5 Texas (12-2) vs. #4 Arizona St. (11-2), 1 p.m.
Rose Bowl Game, Pasadena, Calif.
#8 Ohio St. (11-2) vs. #1 Oregon (13-0), 5 p.m.
Allstate Sugar Bowl, New Orleans
#7 Notre Dame (12-1) vs. #2 Georgia (12-1), 7:45 p.m.

CFP SEMIFINALS
THURSDAY, JAN. 9
Orange Bowl, Miami Gardens, Fla.
Penn State (13-2) vs. Notre Dame-Georgia winner, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 10
Cotton Bowl Classic, Arlington, Texas
Clemson-Texas-Arizona St. winner vs. Ohio St.-Oregon winner, 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JAN. 20
CFP National Championship, Atlanta
Semifinal winner, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 20 FIRST ROUND
#7Notre Dame 27, #10Indiana 17
SATURDAY, DEC. 21 FIRST ROUND
#6 Penn State 38, #11 SMU 10
#5 Texas 38, #12 Clemson 24
#8 Ohio State 42, #9 Tennessee 17

OTHER BOWL GAMES

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
ReliaQuest Bowl, Tampa, Fla.
Michigan 19, Alabama 13
Sun Bowl, El Paso, Texas
Louisville 35, Washington 34
Citrus Bowl, Orlando, Fla.
Illinois 24, South Carolina 17
Texas Bowl, Houston
LSU 44, Baylor 31

THURSDAY'S GAME
Gator Bowl, Jacksonville, Fla.
Duke vs. Mississippi, 7:30p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
First Responder Bowl, Dallas
North Texas vs. Texas State, 4p.m.
Duke's Mayo Bowl, Charlotte, NC.
Minnesota vs. Virginia Tech, 7:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAME
Bahamas Bowl, Nassau, Bahamas
Buffalo vs. Liberty, 11a.m. (ESPN2)

SATURDAY, DEC. 14
Celebration Bowl in Atlanta:
Jackson State 28, S. Carolina State 7
Salute to Veterans Bowl, Montgomery, Ala.:
South Alabama 30, Western Michigan 23

TUESDAY, DEC. 17
Frisco Bowl, Frisco, Texas
Memphis 42, West Virginia37

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18
Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl
James Madison 27, Western Kentucky 17
LA Bowl, Inglewood, Calif.
UNLV 24, California 13

THURSDAY, DEC. 19
New Orleans Bowl
Sam Houston St. 31, Georgia Southern 26

FRIDAY, DEC. 20
Cure Bowl, Orlando, Fla.
Ohio 30, Jacksonville State 27
Gasparilla Bowl, Tampa, Fla.
Florida 33, Tulane 8

MONDAY, DEC. 23
Myrtle Beach Bowl, Conway, SC
Tex. San Antonio 44, Coastal Carolina 15
Potato Bowl, Boise, Idaho
Northern Illinois 28, Fresno State 20 (2OT)

TUESDAY, DEC. 24
Hawai'i Bowl, Honolulu
South Florida 41, San Jose State 39 (5OT)

THURSDAY, DEC. 26
GameAbove Sports Bowl, Detroit
Toledo 48, Pittsburgh 48 (6OT)
Rate Bowl, Phoenix
Kansas State 44, Rutgers 41
68 Ventures Bowl, Mobile, Ala.
Arkansas State 38, Bowling Green 31

FRIDAY, DEC. 27
Armed Forces Bowl, Fort Worth, Texas
Navy 21, Oklahoma 20
Birmingham (Ala.) Bowl
Vanderbilt 35, Georgia Tech 27
Liberty Bowl, Memphis, Tenn.
Arkansas 39, Texas Tech 26
Holiday Bowl, San Diego
Syracuse 52, Washington St. 35
Las Vegas Bowl

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED

No. 1 Tennessee (13-0) beat Norfolk St. 67-54. Next: vs. No. 23 Arkansas, Saturday.
No. 2 Auburn (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. Missouri, Saturday.
No. 3 Iowa St. (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 25 Baylor, Saturday.
No. 4 Duke (11-2) beat Virginia Tech 88-65. Next: at SMU, Saturday.
No. 5 Alabama (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 12 Oklahoma, Saturday.
No. 6 Florida (13-0) did not play. Next: at No. 10 Kentucky, Saturday.
No. 7 Kansas (9-3) lost to West Virginia 62-61. Next: at UCF, Sunday.
No. 8 Marquette (12-2) beat Providence 78-50. Next: vs. Creighton, Friday.
No. 9 Oregon (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 22 Illinois, Thursday.
No. 10 Kentucky (11-2) beat Brown 88-54. Next: vs. No. 6 Florida, Saturday.
No. 11 UConn (10-3) did not play. Next: at DePaul, Wednesday.
No. 12 Oklahoma (13-0) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Alabama, Saturday.
No. 13 Texas A&M (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Saturday.
No. 14 Houston (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. BYU, Saturday.
No. 15 UCLA (11-2) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Saturday.
No. 16 Cincinnati (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona, Saturday.
No. 17 Mississippi St. (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. South Carolina, Saturday.
No. 18 Michigan St. (11-2) did not play. Next: at Ohio St., Friday.
No. 19 Gonzaga (10-4) did not play. Next: vs. Portland, Thursday.
No. 20 Purdue (9-4) did not play. Next: at Minnesota, Thursday.
No. 21 Memphis (10-3) did not play. Next: at FAU, Thursday.
No. 22 Illinois (9-3) did not play. Next: at No. 9 Oregon, Thursday.
No. 23 Arkansas (11-2) did not play. Next: at No. 1 Tennessee, Saturday.
No. 24 Mississippi (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia, Saturday.
No. 25 Baylor (9-3) beat Utah 81-56. Next: at No. 3 Iowa St., Saturday2

TUESDAY'S MEN'S SCORES

EAST
Duquesne 67, Rhode Island 55
Marquette 78, Providence 50
Montclair St. 103, Emmanuel 56
Rutgers-Newark 73, Centenary (NJ) 66
Saint Joseph's 81, UMass 72
Saint Louis 88, Fordham 63
St. Bonaventure 77, VCU 75
Wake Forest 81, Syracuse 71
SOUTH
Duke 88, Virginia Tech 65
George Mason 69, Davidson 57
Georgia Tech 86, Notre Dame 75
Kentucky 88, Brown 54
NC Central 121, St. Andrews 61
Richmond 66, George Washington 61
South Florida 75, East Carolina 69
Tennessee 67, Norfolk St. 52
Tulane 83, Charlotte 68
Virginia 70, NC State 67
MIDWEST
Ball St. 89, Anderson (Ind.) 76
Creighton 57, St. John's 56
Dayton 84, La Salle 70
West Virginia 62, Kansas 61
Xavier 94, Seton Hall 72
SOUTHWEST
Baylor 81, Utah 56
North Texas 78, UAB 75
Stephen F. Austin 62, Abilene Christian 57
UCF 87, Texas Tech 83
WEST
BYU 76, Arizona St. 56
Colorado St. 72, San Jose St. 50
Portland St. 96, Walla Walla 39
UNLV 77, Air Force 58

SOCCER

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE

CLUB	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PT
Liverpool	18	14	3	1	45	17	45
Notting. Forest	19	11	4	4	26	19	37
Arsenal	18	10	6	2	35	16	36
Chelsea	19	10	5	4	38	23	35
Newcastle	19	9	5	5	32	21	32
Man City	19	9	4	6	32	26	31
Bournemouth	19	8	6	5	29	23	30
Fulham	19	7	8	4	28	25	29
Aston Villa	19	8	5	6	28	31	29
Brighton	19	6	9	4	29	28	27
Tottenham	19	7	3	9	41	28	24
Brentford	18	7	3	8	32	32	24
West Ham	19	6	5	8	23	35	23
Man United	19	6	4	9	21	26	22
Crystal Palace	19	4	8	7	20	27	20
Everton	18	3	8	7	15	24	17
Wolverhampton	19	4	4	11	31	42	16
Ipswich	19	3	6	10	18	33	15
Leicester	19	3	5	11	22	42	14
Southampton	19	1	3	15	12	39	6

WEDNESDAY'S MATCH
Brentford vs. Arsenal, 12:30p.m.

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED

No. 1 UCLA (13-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 24 Michigan, Wednesday.
No. 2 South Carolina (12-1) did not play. Next: at Missouri, Thursday.
No. 3 Notre Dame (11-2) did not play. Next: at No. 17 North Carolina, Sunday.
No. 4 Southern Cal (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. Nebraska, Wednesday.
No. 5 Texas (13-1) did not play. Next: at No. 9 Oklahoma, Thursday.
No. 6 LSU (15-0) did not play. Next: at Arkansas, Thursday.
No. 7 UConn (11-2) did not play. Next: at Marquette, Wednesday.
No. 8 Maryland (12-0) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Thursday.
No. 9 Oklahoma (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Texas, Thursday.
No. 10 Ohio St. (13-0) did not play. Next: vs. Northwestern, Sunday.
No. 11 TCU (13-1) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Wednesday.
No. 12 Kansas St. (13-1) did not play. Next: at Houston, Wednesday.
No. 13 Georgia Tech (14-0) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Thursday.
No. 14 Duke (10-3) did not play. Next: at Boston College, Thursday.
No. 15 Tennessee (12-0) did not play. Next: at Texas A&M, Thursday.
No. 16 Kentucky (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi St., Thursday.
No. 17 North Carolina (13-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Notre Dame, Sunday.
No. 18 West Virginia (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. UCF, Wednesday.
No. 19 Alabama (13-1) did not play. Next: vs. Florida, Thursday.
No. 20 California (13-1) did not play. Next: at Clemson, Thursday.
No. 21 Michigan St. (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Wednesday.
No. 22 NC State (10-3) did not play. Next: vs. Boston College, Sunday.
No. 23 Iowa (11-2) did not play. Next: at Penn St., Wednesday.
No. 24 Michigan (10-3) did not play. Next: at No. 1 UCLA, Wednesday.
No. 25 Mississippi (9-3) did not play. Next: at Auburn, Thursday.

USA TODAY WOMEN'S TOP 25

#	SCHOOL	W-L	PTS	LW	1ST
1	UCLA	13-0	775	1	31
2	South Carolina	12-1	741	2	0
3	Notre Dame	11-2	678	4	0
4	LSU	15-0	677	3	0
5	Southern Cal	12-1	659	5	0
6	Texas	13-1	621	6	0
7	Maryland	12-0	572	8	0
8	Connecticut	11-2	559	7	0
9	Ohio State	13-0	526	9	0
10	Oklahoma	12-1	498	10	0
11	Kansas State	13-1	461	11	0
12	TCU	13-1	431	12	0
13	Tennessee	12-0	384	13	0
14	Georgia Tech	14-0	355	16	0
15	Duke	10-3	344	14	0
16	Kentucky	11-1	319	15	0
17	North Carolina	13-2	284	17	0
18	West Virginia	10-2	229	18	0
19	NC State	10-3	181	20	0
20	Alabama	13-1	178	21	0
21	Michigan State	11-2	161	19	0
22	Iowa	11-2	118	22	0
23	California	13-1	95	24	0
24	Baylor	11-2	87	23	0
25	Mississippi	9-3	27	NR	0

Dropped out: No. 25 Michigan (10-3).
Others receiving votes: Mississippi State (13-1) 25; Utah (10-2) 23; Vanderbilt (13-1) 23; Michigan (10-3) 15; Illinois (11-2) 13; Florida State (11-2) 11; George Mason (11-1) 4; Nebraska (10-3) 1.

TUESDAY'S WOMEN'S SCORES

EAST
Princeton 75, Le Moyne 43
SOUTH
Elon 97, Lees-Mcrae 53
NC A&T 100, Mount Olive 42
Presbyterian 63, Newberry 43
UNC-Greensboro 104, Greensboro 21
MIDWEST
Minnesota 59, Wisconsin 50
Oregon 85, Northwestern 65
S. Indiana 79, Morehead St. 65
SE Missouri 102, William Woods 50
Washington 84, Illinois 75
WEST
Penn 86, Benedictine Mesa 75
Utah 69, Arizona 48

SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Tottenham vs. Newcastle, 7:30a.m.
Bournemouth vs. Everton, 10a.m.
Aston Villa vs. Leicester, 10a.m.
Crystal Palace vs. Chelsea, 10a.m.
Man City vs. West Ham, 10a.m.
Southampton vs. Brentford, 10a.m.
Brighton vs. Arsenal, 12:30p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Fulham vs. Ipswich, 9a.m.
Liverpool vs. Man United, 11:30a.m.

MONDAY'S MATCH
Wolverhampton vs. Notting. Forest, 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING TV

LIVE SPORTS MOVIES REALITY

	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM
2 WCBS	CBS Evening News (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	NCIS: Origins		NCIS: Origins - Franks faces off with a killer on death row.		NCIS: Origins - Gibbs goes under cover for the first time with Lala.		CBS News New York 11pm (N)	**(11:35)** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)	
3 WJLP	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Bev. Hillbillies	Gomer Pyle	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	Perry Mason	
4 WNBC	NBC Nightly News (N)	News 4 NY at 7 (N)	Access Hollywood (N)	Chicago Med		Chicago Fire		Chicago P.D.		News 4 NY at 11 (N)	**(11:35)** The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon	
5 WNYW	**(6:00)** The 6 News (N)	Extra (N)	TMZ (N)	The Real Full Monty				The 10 O'Clock News (N)	Weather Ex	Good Night New York (N)	Family Feud	TMZ Live
7 WABC	ABC World News (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	2024 Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony (N)						Eyewitness News at 11 (N)	**(11:35)** Jimmy Kimmel Live!	
9 WWOR	True Crime (N)	Family Feud	Family Feud	News (N)	Street Soldiers	Dateline		Family Feud	Family Feud	Dateline		Law-SVU
10/55 WLNY	The Conners	Last Man	Last Man	CBS News New York 8pm (N)		48 Hours		**Judge Judy**	**Judge Judy**	Neighbor	Neighbor	Modern Family
11 WPIX	Countdown (N)	**Sports** (N)	Big Bang	**Penn & Teller: Fool Us**		Whose Line Is	Whose Line Is	PIX11 News at Ten (N)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Two Half Men
13 WNET	America	PBS News Hour (N)		Great Performances (N)			Great Performances			Amanpour and Company (N)		One on One
21 WLIW	**(6:00)** Social Security		Young Forever With Mark Hyman, MD				Memory Makeover With Daniel Amen, MD				Eat To Sleep	
25 WNYE	Whole Truth	Brooklyn Savvy	Her Big Idea	How to Thrive	Bare Feet in NYC	BK Made	Eating	$9.99	Neighborh	Blueprint: NYC	Secrets	Neighborhood
31 WPXN	**(6:00)** BlueBlood	Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods
41 WFUT2	**(6:00)** Targeted	Targeted for Murder		Finally Caught		Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Obsession: Dark Desires		Dateline
47 WNJU	Noticias	**Exatlón Estados Unidos: All-Stars**						La familia		Noticiero 47 (N)	**(11:35)** Noticias	Venganza
A&E	**(6:00) First 48**	**The First 48**		**The First 48**		**The First 48** (N)		Homicide Squad New (N) (P)		**(11:05) The First 48**		**(12:05) First 48**
AMC	**(6:15) ROCKY III** ('82) ★★★ Mr. T, Talia Shire, Sylvester Stallone.			**(8:45) ROCKY IV** ('85) ★★ Talia Shire, Sylvester Stallone.					**(10:45) ROCKY V** ('90) ★ Talia Shire, Sylvester Stallone.			
ANPL	**(6:00)** Dogs 101	Dogs 101		**River Monsters**		**River Monsters**		**River Monsters**		**River Monsters**		**Monsters**
BBCA	**(6:00)** Bones	Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones		Doctor Who
BET	**(6:00)** Sistas	Tyler Perry's Sistas		Tyler Perry's Sistas		Tyler Perry's Sistas (N)		Diarra From Detroit		Tyler Perry's Sistas		**MARTIN LAW...**
BRV	**HARRY POTT...**	**HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS: PART 2** ('11) ★★★ Rupert Grint, Daniel Radcliffe.						**HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS: PART 1** ('10) ★★★				
CBSSN	**(6:00) Omaha**	**Omaha** - Final Table - Part 2		**2024 Super** - Day 2 - Part 1 (N)		**2024 Super** - Day 2 - Part 2 (N)		**2024 Super** - Final Table - Part 1		**2024 Super** - Final Table - Part 2		**Omaha**
CNBC	**SharkTank**	**Shark Tank**		**Shark Tank**		**Shark Tank**		**Shark Tank**		**Shark Tank**		**Shark Tank**
CNN	**(6:00)** Situation	The Eighties		Luther: Never Too Much (N)				The Nineties		Luther: Never Too Much		
COM	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy
DISN	**ZOOTOPIA**	**(7:10) LUCA** ('21) ★★★ Jacob Tremblay. (P)		**(8:50)** StuGo		**(9:05)** Kiff	Kiff	Kiff	Kiff	StuGo/**(11:15)** Kiff	**(11:40)** Kiff	**(12:05)** Bluey
DSC	Expedition	Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown (N)		**Blind Frog Ran** (N)		Expedition X		Expedition
E!	**(6:00)** NCIS: LA	Girls Gone Wild (N)		**(8:15)** Girls Gone Wild: The Untold Story (N)			**(9:35)** Girls Gone Wild: The Untold Story (N)			Girls Gone Wild: The Untold Story		GirlsGone
ESPN	**(5:10) Playoff QF Rose Bowl** - Ohio State vs. Oregon (N)			**(8:50) Playoff Quarterfinal at the Allstate Sugar Bowl** - Notre Dame vs. Georgia (N)								**RamTrucks**
ESPN2	**(5:00) Playoff QF Rose Bowl**			**(8:20) Postgame**		**RamTrucks /(8:50) Playoff Quarterfinal at the Allstate Sugar Bowl** - Command Center: Notre Dame vs. Georgia (N)						**Postgame**
FAM	**(5:45) THE INCREDIBLES** ('04) ★★★			**(8:20) INCREDIBLES 2** ('18) ★★★ Voices of Holly Hunter, Sarah Vowell, Craig T. Nelson.						The 700 Club		Boy/World
FBN	CanForget	Who Can Forget?		Fox Nation Presents The Patriot Awards 2024				Who Is Barbie?	Tom Crui	Who is Harris	Kevin Costner	Can Forget
FNC	**(6:00)** Bret Baier	The Ingraham Angle (N)		Jesse Watters Primetime (N)		Hannity (N)		Gutfeld! (N)		Special Report With Bret Baier		The Five
FOOD	Tournament	Tournament of Champions (N)		Tournament of Champions		Bobby's Triple Threat		Bobby's Triple Threat		Bobby's Triple Threat		Triple Threat
FX	**PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: AT WORLD'S END**			**PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: ON STRANGER TIDES** ('11) ★★ Penélope Cruz, Johnny Depp.						**JURASSIC WORLD: FALLEN KINGDOM** ★★		
HALL	**(6:00) CHRISTMAS UNDER THE STARS** ('19)			**THE CHRISTMAS NOTE** ('15) Leah Gibson, Jamie-Lynn Sigler.				**THE CHRISTMAS SECRET** ('14) John Reardon, Bethany Joy Lenz.				**A CHRISTMA...**
HBO	**(6:10) CIVIL WAR** ('24) ★★★ Kirsten Dunst.			**DUNE: PART TWO** ('24) ★★★ Zendaya, Rebecca Ferguson, Timothée Chalamet.					**(10:50) BEETLEJUICE BEETLEJUICE** ('24) ★★ Michael Keaton.			
HGTV	**House Hunters**	**House Hunters**	**House Hunters**	HGTV Dream Home 2025 (N)		**Bahamas Life**	**Bahamas Life**	**Hunters** (N)	**Hunters** (N)	**House Hunters**	**House Hunters**	**Bahamas Life**
HIST	**(6:00) Pickers**	**American Pickers**		**American Pickers**		**American Pickers** (N)		**(10:05) American Pickers**		**(11:05) American Pickers**		**(12:05) Pickers**
HLN	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files
ID	**(6:00)** Neighbor	Fear Thy Neighbor		Fear Thy Neighbor		Case- Natalia Grace (N)		Feuds Turned Fatal		48 Hours on ID		Natalia
IFC	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men
LIFE	**(5:00) HIDDEN FIGURES** ('16) ★★★			**FIFTY SHADES OF GREY** ('15) ★★ Jamie Dornan, Dakota Johnson.				**(10:05) HE'S NOT WORTH DYING FOR** ('22) Robin Givens.				**FIFTY SHADE...**
LIFEMOV	**(6:00) HAPPILY NEVER AFTER** ('22)			**A WIDOW SEDUCED** ('23) Gray Powell, Erin Agostino, Natalie Brown.				**HALL PASS NIGHTMARE** ('22) Matt Magnusson, Andrea Bowen.				**A WIDOW SE...**
LOGO	RuPaul's Drag Race			RuPaul's Drag Race			RuPaul's Drag Race			RuPaul's Drag Race		
MAX	**MORGAN** ('16) ★★ Anya Taylor-Joy, Kate Mara.			**BEOWULF** ('07) ★★ Voices of Anthony Hopkins, Ray Winstone. (P)				**(9:55) THE KILL TEAM** ('19) (P)		**(11:25) A PRIVATE WAR** ('18) ★★★ (P)		
MSG	**A New York**	**Knicks** (N)	**NBA Basketball** - Utah Jazz at New York Knicks (N)					**Knicks** (N)	**The Bettor**	**MSG Shorts**	**NBA Basketball**	
MSGSN	**(6:00) NHL Hockey** - New Jersey Devils at Los Angeles Kings (N)				**Postgame** (N)	**Devils Shorts**	**The Bettor**	**NHL Hockey** - New Jersey Devils at Los Angeles Kings				**Devils Shorts**
MSNBC	**(6:00)** AriMelber	The ReidOut		All In With Chris Hayes		Alex Wagner Tonight		Last Word With Lawrence		11th-Stephanie		Wagner
MTV	The Challenge			The Challenge (N)			**Ridiculousness**	**Ridiculousness**	**Ridiculousness**	**Ridiculousness**	**Ridiculousness**	**Ridiculousness**
NGEO	**(6:00)** Catch..	To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		..Smuggler
NICK	**SHREK THE T...**	Max (N)	**Slimetime** (N)	Modern Family	Modern Family	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Big Bang
OWN	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**	**Dream Home**
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PARMT	**(6:35)** Yellowstone		**(7:45)** Yellowstone		**(8:45)** Yellowstone			**(9:55)** Yellowstone		Yellowstone		Yellowst.
PARSHO	**FACE/OFF** ('97) ★★★ Nicolas Cage, Joan Allen, John Travolta.					**DRIVE ANGRY** ('11) ★★ Nicolas Cage. (P)			**(10:45) PIG** ('21) ★★★ Alex Wolff, Adam Arkin, Nicolas Cage.			
SMITH	**(6:00)** Emperor	Murderous History		How Did They Build That?		Rome's Chariot Superstar		Rome's Chariot Superstar		How Did They Build That?		Ro.- Superstar
SNY	**(5:00) Mets Classics**		**Mets Yearbook**	**Mets Yearbook**	**Women's College Basketball** - Connecticut at Marquette				**Huskies**	**SportsNite** (N)	**SportsNite** (N)	**SportsNite** (N)
STARZ	**LOST WORL...**	**(7:10) JURASSIC PARK III** ('01) ★★ Sam Neill.		**(8:45) JURASSIC WORLD DOMINION: EXTENDED EDITION** ('22) ★★ Chris Pratt.							**COWBOYS & ALIENS** ('11) ★★	
STZENC	**JOHN WICK: ...**	**(7:05) VIOLENT NIGHT** ('22) ★★ John Leguizamo, David Harbour.				**M3GAN** ('22) ★★★ Allison Williams.			**(10:45) HALLOWEEN ENDS** ('22) ★★ Jamie Lee Curtis.			
SUND	**(6:00)** A-Team	The A-Team		The A-Team		The A-Team		The A-Team		The A-Team		The A-Team
SYFY	**(6:40)** Twi. Zone	**(7:05)** Twi. Zone	Twilight Zone	Twi.Zone	**(8:45)** Twi. Zone	**(9:10)** Twi. Zone	**(9:35)** Twi. Zone	Twilight Zone	Twi.Zone	**(11:15)** Twi. Zone	**(11:40)** Twi. Zone	**(12:05)** Twi. Zone
TBS	**(5:30) DOCTOR STRANGE** ('16) ★★★			**All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite** (N)				Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
TCM	**(5:45) SHINE A LIGHT** ('08) ★★★			**THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT!** ('74) ★★★ - Clips from 1928-58 MGM musicals.					**THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT, PART 2** ('76) ★★★			
TLC	**(6:00) My 600-Lb. Life** (N)			**My 600-Lb. Life** (N)				Too Large		Too Large		**My 600-Lb**
TMC	**(6:05) THE LOVERS** ('14) Josh Hartnett.			**COLD MOUNTAIN** ('03) ★★★ Nicole Kidman, Renée Zellweger, Jude Law.					**(10:35) JEANNE DU BARRY** ('23) Johnny Depp, Maïwenn.			
TNT	**(4:45) STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI** ('17) ★★★			**STAR WARS: THE RISE OF SKYWALKER** ('19) ★★ Mark Hamill, Adam Driver, Carrie Fisher.						**(11:05) READY PLAYER ONE** ('18) ★★★		
TOON	King of the Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy		Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy
TRUTV	**Imp. Jokers**	**NHL on TNT Face Off**		**NHL Hockey** - St. Louis Blues at Chicago Blackhawks							**Post-Game**	**Poker**
TRVL	Paranormal	Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal
TVLND	**(6:25)** Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King
USA	**(6:00)** Law-SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law-SVU
VH1	**(6:00) CANDYMAN** ('21) ★★★			**IT** ('17) ★★★ Jeremy Ray Taylor, Sophia Lillis, Jaeden Lieberher. (P)						Living Single	Living Single	Living Single
WE	**(6:00)** NCIS	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS
YES	Nets Magaz.	**Pregame** (N)	**NBA Basketball** - Brooklyn Nets at Toronto Raptors (N)					**Postgame** (N)	Nets Magaz.	**Basketball** - Brooklyn Nets at Toronto Raptors		

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THE YEAR OF JUAN!

Lupica: After delivering for Yankees, then delivering himself to Mets, Soto is '24's top sportsperson



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Juan Soto managed to win over fans in the Bronx and Queens in 2024, and even though his move to Mets left a sour taste with Yankee faithful, he did plenty to lift Bombers into World Series. **Mike Lupica, Pages 28-29**

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THE YEAR IN SPORTS

A PHOTOGRAPHIC LOOK AT THE TOP MOMENTS OF 2024

From Simone Biles' gold mettle to Stephen Curry's French revolution to Patrick Mahomes' Superman impression, 2024 was filled with all the joy, heartbreak, excellence and imperfection that is always captivating.

Grace notes



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INSIDE

Olympics dreams: The Paris Games gave the world more than two weeks of drama on the Seine. **Page 2**

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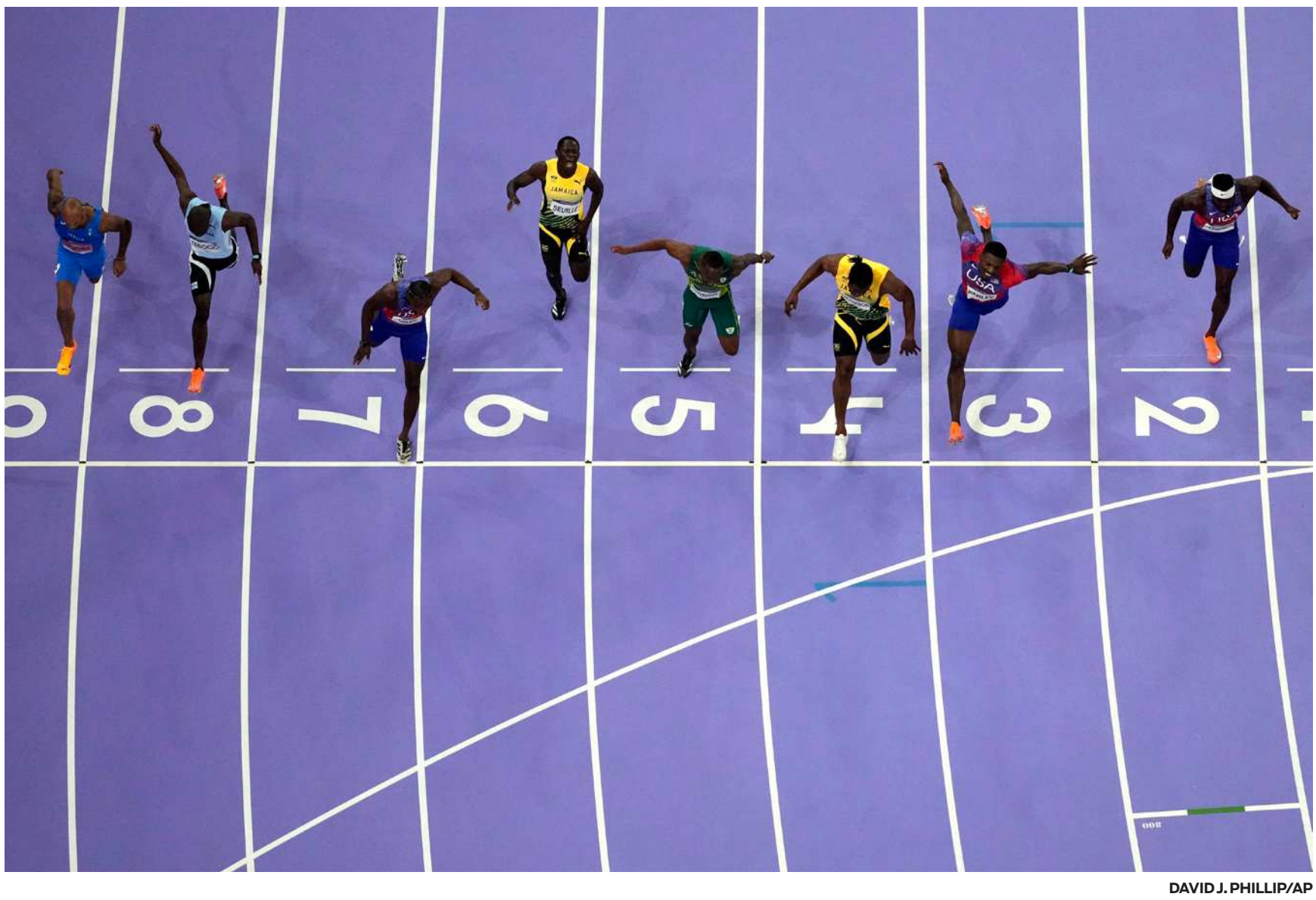
"Nuit nuit": Stephen Curry, the Golden State Warriors' superstar sharpshooter, made his Olympic debut one to remember and saved his best for last. He hit four 3-pointers in the final minutes, each shot more dramatic than the last, to seal the U.S. win over host France for gold. Curry's signature celebration is the "night night," where he puts his hands together at the side of his face, as if it's time to go to sleep. In Paris, he brought shirts that made it perfectly clear to the French what that meant — yes, the message written on the shirts was "nuit nuit."



VADIM GHIRDA/AP

An Olympic walk-off: OK, technically, the U.S. women's rugby sevens team won the Olympic bronze medal with a kick (a conversion, they call it). But the real moment was Alex Sedrick (above), running the length of the field and into history. Sedrick got the ball with about 8 seconds left, ran through three Australia defenders and took it all the way down the field for a try that tied the game at 12-12 with no time left. Her kick won bronze for the Americans, a result that made star Ilona Maher — the undisputed face of the sport in the U.S. — an even bigger name and breathed new life into the sport in a country where it still has tons of room to grow.

French connections



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Oval offices: Everything at an Olympics is a moment for someone; a lifetime of work typically coming down to a few seconds. But in Paris, a few stood out more than others. Start with Sifan Hassan (far right), trading elbows in the stretch of the marathon to win her third distance medal — this one gold. Or Cole Hocker (right), looking like Forrest Gump in coming from nowhere to beat the two favorites in the men's 1,500-meter run. The highlight, of course, was Noah Lyles' .005-second victory (above) in the 100-meter dash. He ran the fastest time of his life and didn't take the lead until the absolute last instant, a finish that even had commentators guessing wrong about who actually prevailed.



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Scheffler's year: World No. 1 golfer Scottie Scheffler 9above) had a year of moments — most of them great (nine wins worldwide), one of them bizarre (the arrest at the PGA Championship). But the signature moment of 2024 for Scheffler might have been weeping as "The Star-Spangled Banner" played in honor of his Olympic golf gold medal in Paris. He rallied from six shots back with a final-round 62 to win the gold.



Bryce Wettstein of the United States competes in the women's park skateboarding preliminaries Aug. 6 in Paris. **ODD ANDERSEN/POOL PHOTO VIA AP**



Stiliana Nikolova of Bulgaria performs in the rhythmic gymnastics individuals all-round qualification round at La Chapelle Arena at the Summer Olympics on Aug. 8 in Paris. **FRANCISCO SECO/AP**



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What happened in Vegas: Kansas City's Patrick Mahomes did something no one has ever done: He threw a Super Bowl-winning touchdown pass on the final play of the title game. San Francisco kicked a field goal to open overtime of Super Bowl 58, and Mahomes had 75 yards to go to try and answer. He scrambled for eight yards on fourth-and-1 to keep the drive alive — a huge play that probably very few remember. He went 8 for 8 on passes in overtime, engineering a perfect drive. The finale: a 3-yard toss to Mecole Hardman with 3 seconds left in overtime, and the Chiefs were back-to-back champions.

Super sequences



CHRIS SZAGOLA/AP

Saquon goes up, up and away: Philadelphia Eagles running back Saquon Barkley (left) used a spin move — and a leap — on the same play. The 180-degree hurdle was one of the signature moves of 2024 in the NFL. It made a 14-yard reception unforgettable. "Best play I've ever seen," Eagles coach Nick Sirianni said.

All Hail ...: They call it a "Hail Mary" in football, the desperation pass into the end zone with no time left to try and win a game. The Wahington Commanders pulled it off against the Chicago Bears (below), Jayden Daniels' throw going into team lore.



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Taking their shots



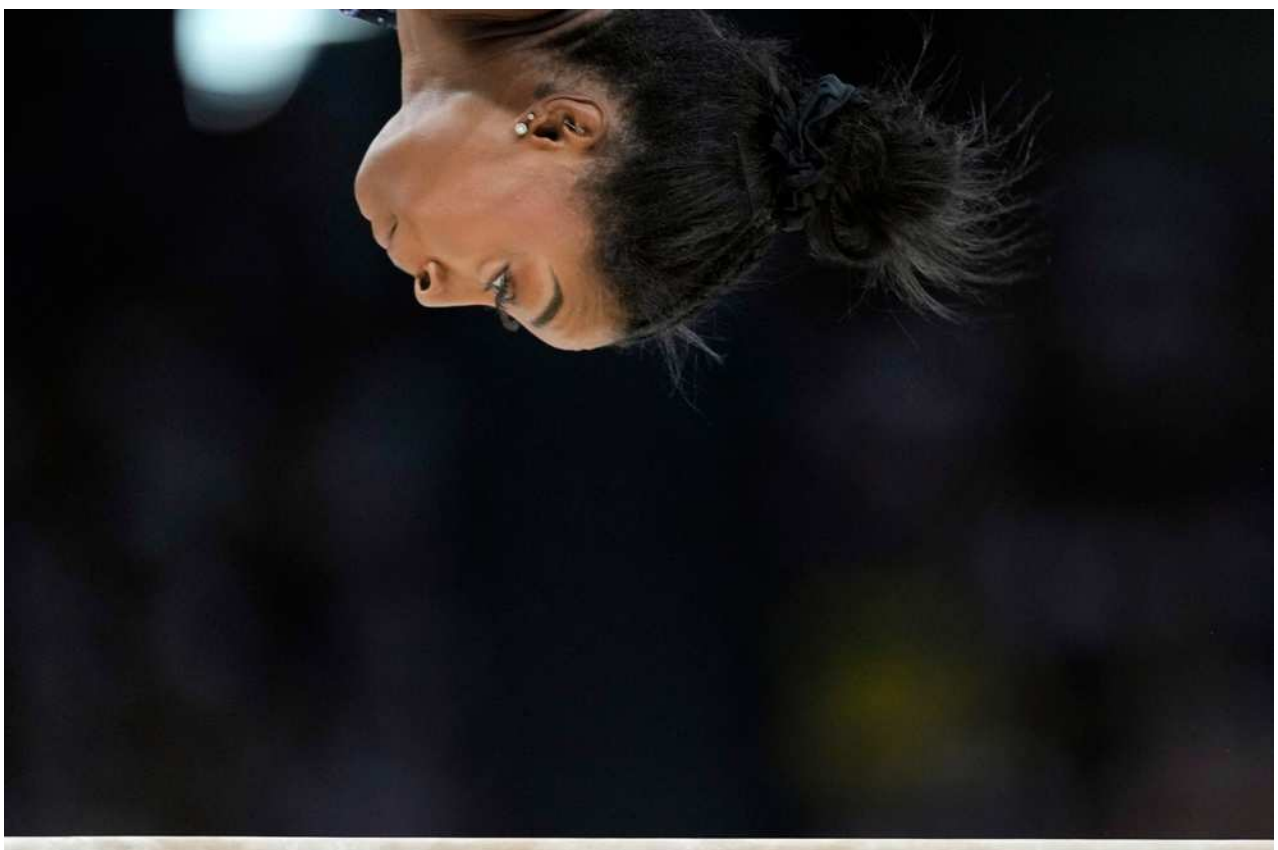
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Marching on: In this case, let's make three games — Iowa vs. UConn, South Carolina vs. N.C. State, then South Carolina vs. Iowa for the title — one moment. Maybe a movement is the better word. Caitlin Clark's record-setting year, South Carolina's undefeated run to the national title, UConn's return to the Final Four, they were all part of a scintillating year for women's basketball. The WNBA saw enormous growth — Clark (above), its rookie of the year, helped fuel that in a big way — and more eyeballs were on the game than ever before.



PAMELA SMITH/AP

The buzzer-beater of the year: Take a bow, Sabrina Ionescu (above, right). From just inside of the logo, her 3-pointer with 1 second left gave the New York Liberty a win over the Minnesota Lynx in Game 3 of the WNBA Finals — and the Liberty would win the title in five games.



ABBIE PARRM/AP

Simone Biles of the United States performs on the balance beam (above) during the women's artistic gymnastics all-around finals in Bercy Arena at the Summer Olympics on Aug. 1 in Paris.

Biles poses with her medals after the women's artistic gymnastics individual apparatus finals at Bercy Arena on Aug. 5 in Paris.



CHARLIE RIEDEL/AP

Other major moments

The big swings: Of the 346,000 swings taken by batters in Major League Baseball this year, three probably jumped out more than the rest. There was Freddie Freeman, hitting the first game-ending grand slam in World Series history to move the Los Angeles Dodgers a step closer to beating the New York Yankees and winning the title. There was Pete Alonso, saving the season for the New York Mets with a home run to lift them past the Milwaukee Brewers in the deciding game of an NL wild-card series. And then there was Shohei Ohtani, a night like none other in a season like none other. On the night in Miami when he joined — created, really — baseball's 50-homer, 50-steal club, he hit three home runs, stole two bases and drove in 10 runs on a 6-for-6 night.

From way downtown: Cleveland's Max Strus lived every kid's hoop-in-the-driveway fantasy ... down by one, time running out, let-it-fly ... a 59-footer to give the Cavaliers a 121-119 win over Dallas.

A 'Bobbery': On the way to winning the Stanley Cup, Florida Panthers goalie Sergei Bobrovsky had a save he'll never forget. Bobrovsky — out of "desperation," he'd say later — dove backward across the goal mouth, reached out blindly with his left wrist and somehow got his glove side in the way of Tampa Bay's Matt Dumba's shot to keep the game tied at 2-2. It wound up being a game-saver; the Panthers got a goal from Carter Verhaeghe 2:59 into overtime for a 3-2 win.

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