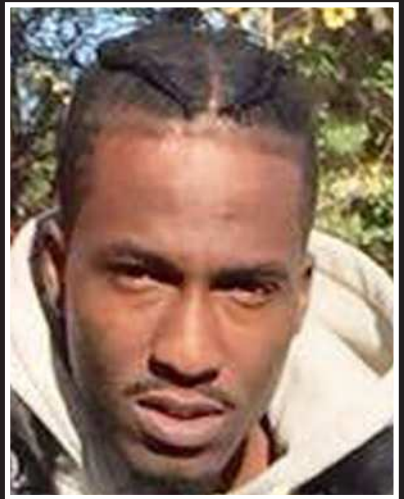


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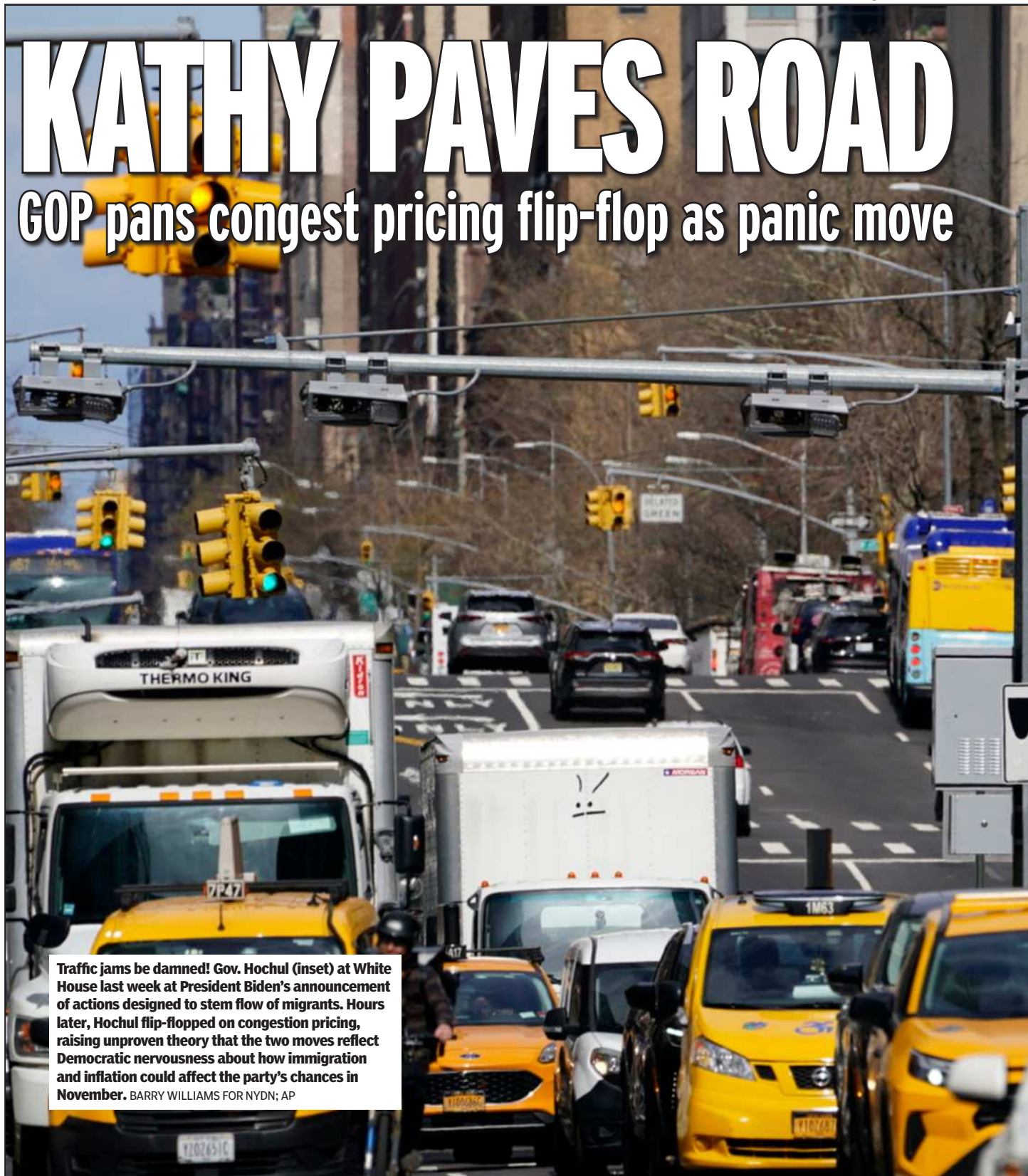
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KATHY PAVES ROAD

GOP pans congest pricing flip-flop as panic move



Traffic jams be damned! Gov. Hochul (inset) at White House last week at President Biden's announcement of actions designed to stem flow of migrants. Hours later, Hochul flip-flopped on congestion pricing, raising unproven theory that the two moves reflect Democratic nervousness about how immigration and inflation could affect the party's chances in November. BARRY WILLIAMS FOR NYDN; AP

BY DAVE GOLDINER
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Gov. Hochul's controversial decision to indefinitely delay the long-awaited Manhattan congestion pricing plan is being seen in Washington, D.C., as a political panic move to boost Democratic hopes of retaking the House of Representatives.

Despite Hochul insisting to reporters Friday that "the timing of the announcement is not related to the election months away," political operatives on both sides of the aisle mocked the governor's move as a ham-fisted effort to take a politically damaging issue off the table in hopes of boosting

Democratic chances of flipping up to five GOP-held seats in the New York metro area.

Republicans predict the gambit will backfire by drawing even more attention to Democratic division and chaos on an issue that is profoundly unpopular with suburban voters.

"It was a stupid idea to begin with and changing it at the last minute isn't going to fool anyone," said an aide to a suburban Republican congressman locked in a competitive race. "It makes them look even worse."

Even Democrats concede the poor optics of Hochul blindsiding fellow Democrats who support the plan could torpedo any

possible political benefit.

"It's a hanging-curve wedge issue for Republicans," one Democratic strategist said.

Critics note that Hochul's flip-flop came hours after she returned from a visit to Washington, where she attended President Biden's announcement of executive actions designed to stem the flow of migrants at the southern border.

That raises the unproven theory that reversing congestion pricing reflects Democratic nervousness about how two damaging issues — immigration and inflation — could affect the party's chances in November.

"No amount of posturing on

congestion pricing will fix what voters already know: Democrats are the problem," said Savannah Vlar, a spokeswoman for the National Republican Congressional Committee.

For their part, Democratic lawmakers and staffers scoff at the idea that Hochul's congestion pricing decision had anything to do with her visit to D.C. last week or that Biden or powerful House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries (D-Brooklyn) engineered her decision.

Some Democrats hopefully predict that Hochul's policy gymnastics and the anger over her unexpected announcement will fade by the time voters go to

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by Dems to win N.Y.-area House seats & thus retake chamber



the polls.

"In the end, voters may just be relieved they won't have to pay the extra fees," said Basil Smikle, a Democratic strategist and Hunter College professor.

Congressional strategists from both parties have long seen congestion pricing as a potential albatross hanging over the Democrats' effort to retake the House in 2024.

Republicans swept to an unexpected victory in the 2022 midterms in the New York area, flipping five seats in New York State and one in suburban New Jersey, mostly on the backs of economic angst and fears of crime. Former Rep. Lee Zeldin

(R-L.I.) outperformed expectations by holding Hochul to a relatively narrow victory statewide.

Democrats hope to strike back by riding voter anger at former President Donald Trump and fears of abortion restrictions, among other issues, to a resurgence this year.

After flipping former Rep. George Santos' old seat on Long Island in a winter special election, Democrats have put a bull's-eye on the backs of suburban GOP lawmakers including Reps. Mike Lawler of the Hudson Valley and Anthony D'Esposito on the South Shore of Long Island.

Another target is Rep. Tom Kean Jr., who won a swing seat

in suburban northern New Jersey.

All of the districts voted for Biden in 2020 and are expected to do so again in the fall. But all are home to legions of commuters who polls say are deeply opposed to the proposed congestion pricing, which would hit drivers traveling south of 60th St. in Manhattan with a \$15 fee.

So the calculus among both Republican and Democratic strategists alike is that congestion pricing might have been a successful campaign talking point for GOP lawmakers seeking to turn away the challenges.

The stakes of that debate could scarcely be higher: Republicans hold a majority of just five seats

in the House, meaning the road to a Democratic majority could literally run through the New York suburbs.

Jeffries, who would become speaker if Democrats win the House, backed Hochul's move along with Mayor Adams. But an aide told the Daily News that Jeffries did not talk with Hochul in advance about the reversal and Hochul decided on her own to pull the plug on the plan.

Despite the potential political benefit in congressional battlegrounds, some analysts noted that Democrats could suffer a backlash from the anger among many progressive Democrats and New York City residents over

Hochul's last-minute switch.

The divide highlights the serious divisions within the party, particularly between better-educated, affluent voters on the one hand and suburban working-class swing voters on the other.

"Suspending congestion pricing opens another fracture within the Democratic Party," said Lawrence Levy, a Hofstra University professor who studies political trends in suburbia.

"The state and even national Democratic Party has a lot to do, with less and less time, to secure their base at the same time they try to build bridges to moderate swing voters."

Heartless thief robs 10-year-old boy of \$8 on B'klyn street

BY NICHOLAS WILLIAMS
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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A callous crook robbed a 10-year-old boy of \$8 as the child and his younger sister walked down a Brooklyn street after a trip to Brooklyn pizza spot, police said Saturday.

Victim Alex Medina and his sister, 7, were walking side by side down Sterling Place near Utica Ave. in Crown Heights about 11 a.m. on Friday when the mugger, who is believed to be homeless, stormed up and snatched the cash right out of the child's hand, police said.

The thief had confronted Alex moments earlier, asking for some money, the child recalled.

"He asked me if I can give him \$5, but I ignored him and walked away," Alex told the Daily News on Saturday. "The second time I went to the pizzeria, he came, grabbed my hand and took the money and just ran off."

A neighbor of Alex caught the robbery on a surveillance camera.

"It looks like two children were coming down the block, a boy and girl. Someone behind them is calling out to them," the man, who wished not to be named, told The News. "The guy comes up and puts his hand in their bag and seems like he grabs something."

"You get packages stolen sometimes, but don't see anyone robbing others around here," the neighbor said.

Alex had already gone to Crown Fried Chicken & Pizzeria around the corner from his home to pick up an order earlier in the day, but he had forgotten to pick up one item.

He had just returned to the store to grab the extra food and was returning home with his sister in tow when the thief jumped them.

"He grabbed me by my right hand and took the money out of my left hand. I had like \$8," the child recalled. "It was my sister that was with me, but there wasn't many adults around to help. I got scared. I didn't know what he was going to do."

The thief ran off toward Utica Ave. and Lincoln Place and disappeared, cops said. He remained at large Saturday.

"I had never seen him before," Alex said.

Neither child was harmed, cops said.

Alex called police and reported the robbery. A short time later, he and his father drove around the neighborhood and found the thief nearby.

"My dad went up to him and said, 'Did you steal money from my kids?'" Alex recalled. "My dad took a picture of him and then the guy took off."

Police recovered surveillance footage of the thief (photo), who was sporting a white T-shirt, black pants and a backpack at the time of the robbery. He was also holding a pair of sneakers.

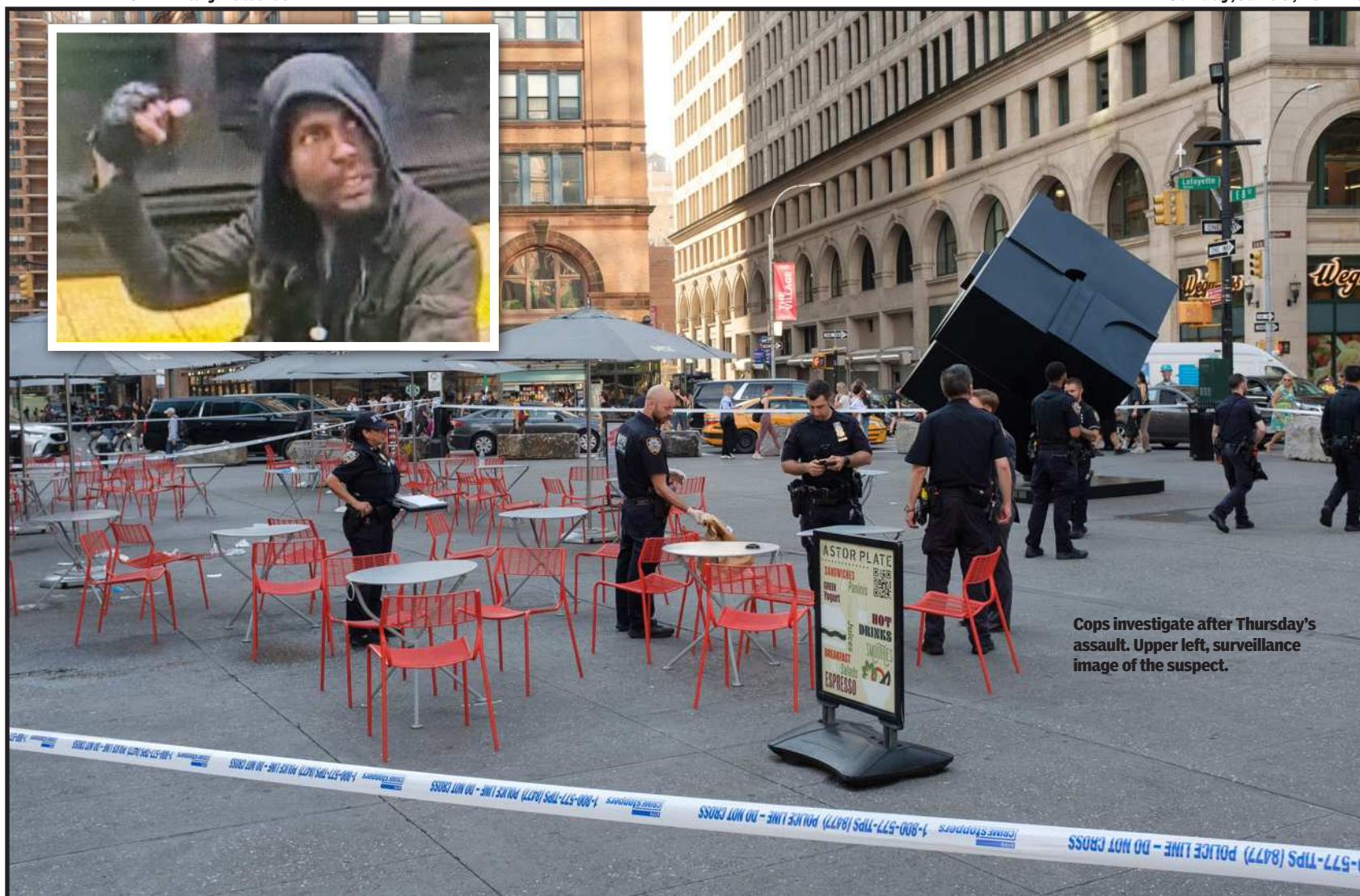
Cops released the images Saturday in the hopes someone can identify the thief.

Neighbors were stunned by the cold-hearted crime.

"Who does that to kids? That's really bad," asked one area resident, who asked not to be named. "Sometimes you hear about people getting their packages stolen, but [robbing children], that's evil to do."

Anyone with information regarding the thief's whereabouts is urged to call NYPD Crime Stoppers at (800) 577-TIPS. All calls will be kept confidential.





Cops investigate after Thursday's assault. Upper left, surveillance image of the suspect.

GRISLY E. VILLAGE SLASH

30-year-old techie randomly attacked at Astor Place Cube

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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A wild-eyed man in a hooded sweatshirt and camouflage pants is responsible for slashing a 30-year-old man in the neck on Astor Place in the East Village, the latest in a spate of unprovoked attacks in New York City in recent weeks.

The NYPD released surveillance images of the slashing suspect in the hopes someone recognizes him. The suspect is being sought for the random attack on the stranger by the Astor Place Cube on Thursday about 5:20 p.m., cops and witnesses said.

The victim, was stabbed in the back of the neck with an unidentified sharp object, cops said.

"There was nothing going on, no altercation. Suddenly, he was down on the ground holding his neck," witness Michael Picadi, 25, told the Daily News after the attack. "He was in the fetal position in a huge pool of blood."

EMS rushed the victim to Bellevue Hospital, where he was treated for a deep gash

to the back of his neck and shoulder.

The victim, a tech entrepreneur originally from England, made light of the attack in a now-deleted post on X.

"I got stabbed in an unprovoked attack during New York Tech Week. Here's five things it taught me about early-stage B2B sales," the 30-year-old wrote. "Just kidding, I'm fine and out of surgery. A bit of neck pain and will have a hefty scar but I'll recover."

In another post, the victim gave a "shout-out" to the bystanders who came to his aid, first responders, and the doctors at Bellevue Hospital.

When reached Saturday by The News, the victim said he was "doing well," but he declined to comment further.

The assailant ran off and was still being sought by authorities Saturday, cops said. Cops tracked the man to the subway system and recovered surveillance images of him on a train platform.

He's described as Black, about 6-feet tall with a medium build. At the time of the attack, he was wearing a black sweatshirt, camouflage pants and black boots.

Anyone with information regarding the attacker's whereabouts is urged to call

NYPD Crime Stoppers at (800) 577-TIPS. All calls will be kept confidential.

Last month, there were at least five unprovoked attacks in the city, including a May 8 incident where homeless man Clifton Williams punched "Boardwalk Empire" actor Steve Buscemi as he walked along Third Ave. in Kips Bay.

The attack took place around 11:50 a.m. near E. 27th St., cops said. Medics took the actor to Bellevue Hospital, where he was treated for bruising, swelling and bleeding to his left eye. Williams was later arrested and charged with assault.

On May 10 in Harlem, a stranger stormed up and struck an 11-year-old girl with a box cutter for no apparent reason, cutting through the child's long black hair and slashing the back of the preteen's head.

Shaquan Cummings was arrested after Malgorzata Sladek, the child's outraged mother, and a mob of witnesses cornered him in a doorway near E. 116th St. and Lexington Ave.

Several cops saved Cummings from the mob and charged the assailant with assault, endangering the welfare of a child and weapon possession. He was ordered held without bail when he was arraigned in

Manhattan Criminal Court.

The next day, 36-year-old Amber Lohr was knifed in the chest in Times Square as she chaperoned a group of students from western Pennsylvania.

Lohr stumbled backward from the 6:15 p.m. attack outside the Port Gourmet Deli near W. 43rd St. and Eighth Ave. but managed to protect the children she was watching from any harm.

The accused attacker, Cyril Destin, sat back down and was taken into custody. Destin was hospitalized after his arrest but was ordered held on \$50,000 bail.

On May 20, a 25-year-old acting student was struck in the head with a plastic bag by a stranger in a random attack on Seventh Ave. near W. 23rd St. in Chelsea.

The stranger had a heavy object in the bag, which left a deep gash on the victim's head.

Twelve hours later, a 79-year-old man was kicked in the face by a stranger during an unprovoked attack on Flatbush Ave. near Lincoln Road in Prospect Lefferts Gardens about 10:50 p.m.

In April, cops investigated a spree of unprovoked attacks on women, some of which were detailed on TikTok.

Police investigate scene of shooting on Mother Gaston Blvd. in April (main photo). Recent shooting victims (far right) include (top row, from left) Shaquary Bryant, Desmond Francis and Brandon Paulino. (Bottom row) Anthony Barlow, Maurice Boodie and Lamont Russell. SAM COSTANZA FOR NYDN



MURDERS SURGE

Killings are down across the city, but Brooklyn nabe sees a

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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Murder may be down across New York City, but in Brownsville the candlelight vigils and funerals never seem to stop.

The 73rd Precinct, which includes Brownsville, has seen 11 homicides through June 2 — nearly triple the four in the same time span last year.

Almost all the victims were cut down by gun violence. The victims range from 15 to 55 years old and include a beloved school crossing guard, two men murdered in cases of mistaken identity and a teen accidentally shot by his younger cousin.

Residents trying to make sense of the bloodshed have grown wary, with some

praying for peace, others working to change the Brooklyn neighborhood and still others hoping to leave.

Maria Torres, 58, has lived in Brownsville for 27 years and raised five kids there. While they've grown into adults, she still worries that they'll fall victim to gun violence.

"They cannot go to the park because of the shootings," she said. "I'm sick and tired of this."

"It's gotten worse. Every day is something else," said Torres, who is planning to move to Rhode Island. "I'm going to be two months here, and I'm going to move."

From the end of summer through early fall in 2023, there was a six-week stretch with no homicides in the 73rd Precinct, and seven reported during the whole year. With 11 homicides in the precinct as of June 2, the only other area with such a dramatic jump in killings is the 46th Precinct in the Bronx,

with three homicides reported by this time last year and 12 this year.

A staggering 20% of all Brooklyn's 55 homicides this year, spread over 23 precincts, have taken place in the 73rd Precinct, NYPD statistics show. During the same period, there have been 144 murders citywide, with roughly one in 13 in the 73rd Precinct, just one of 77 precincts in all five boroughs.

Beloved crossing guard

The first person killed in Brownsville this year was a grandfather who worked as a school crossing guard in Manhattan and was trying to break up an argument over loud music when he was shot to death on a No. 3 train, police said.

Richard Henderson, 45, of Flatbush, was on his way home from watching a football playoff game with pals on Jan. 14, according to cops. The gunman started arguing with a

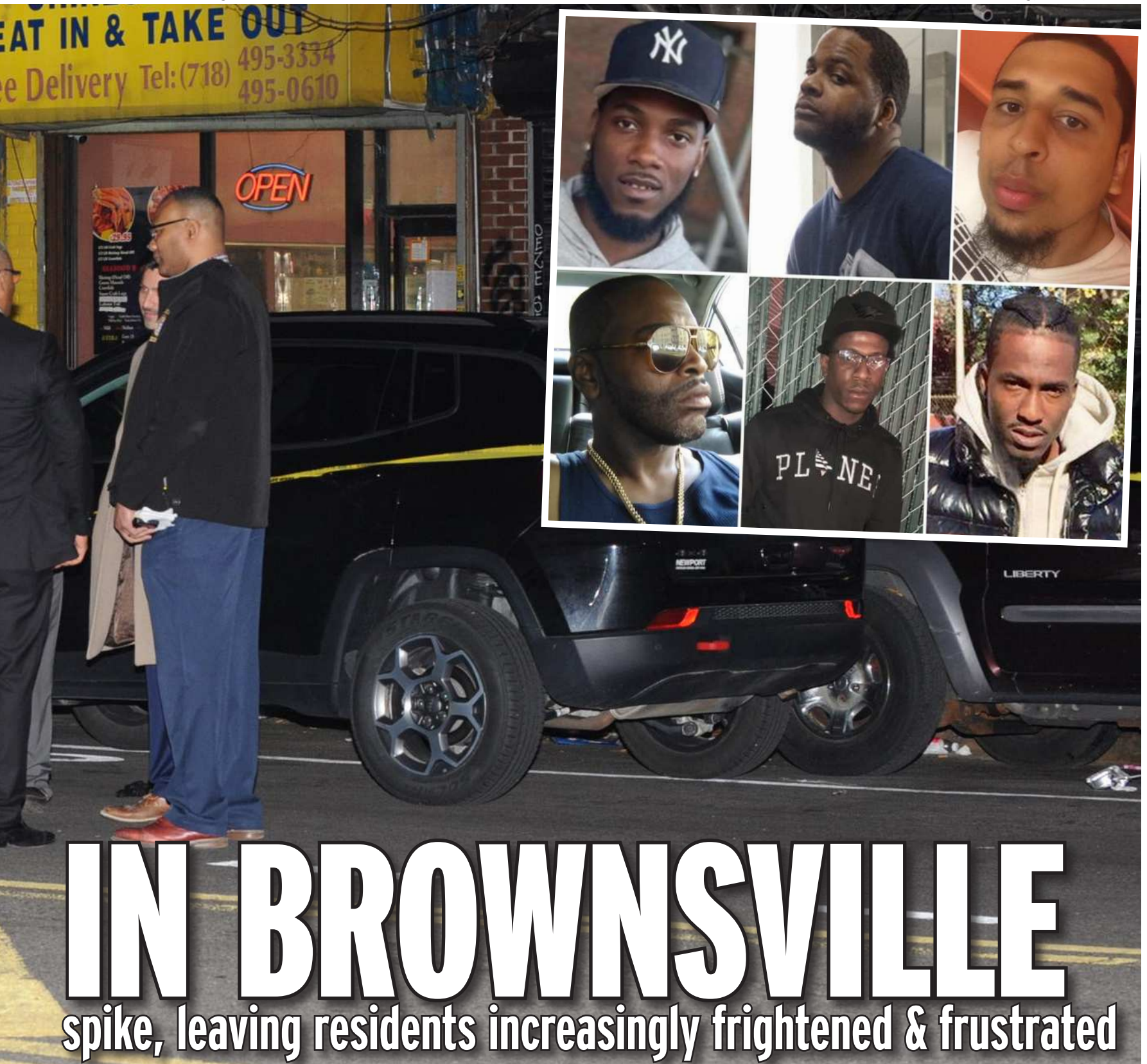
fellow rider over the noise, and Henderson tried to talk the men out of quarreling, police sources said.

Instead, the shooter, after yelling "I ain't having this today!" opened fire twice in Henderson's direction as the train approached the Rockaway Ave. stop at Livonia Ave., cops said.

"We're just still shell-shocked trying to make sense of it," Henderson's brother Jermaine Henderson, 50, told the Daily News the day after the murder.

The following week, Desmond Francis, 36, was fatally shot by a friend outside a smoke shop near the corner of Ralph and Sutter Aves., according to cops. After Francis entered the store, he playfully grabbed two bags from the friend, who apparently didn't recognize him, followed him outside and shot Francis once in the chest.

The "shooter kind of seems to realize, 'I



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spike, leaving residents increasingly frightened & frustrated

just shot my friend,' and immediately calls 911," NYPD Chief of Detectives Joseph Kennedy said at a press briefing. "On 911, we can hear, 'I didn't know it was you. I'm really, really sorry.'"

The victim was killed just a few blocks from where he lived with his mother, according to his aunt Vivian Philips.

"It broke my sister's heart," Philips, 65.

Mistaken identity

Two days later, on Jan. 24, 28-year-old father and high-risk youth mentor Shaquary Bryant was shot on Atlantic and Rockaway Aves. in a case of mistaken identity. Cops said the shooter believed he was getting revenge for a carjacking that had just taken place at the same intersection.

Bryant was driving to his regular overnight shift at a residence for teens in trouble with the law around 11:25 p.m. when he was

shot in the chest.

"My son was shot for nothing," his father, Brian Cook, told the Daily News. "It's very, very hurtful. He died for no reason. He was going to work."

A month later, Brandon Paulino, 30, who lived in a supportive housing facility on MacDougal St. near Broadway, was killed outside the building after being put into a chokehold by Eduardo Martinez, a fellow resident.

Paulino, who suffered from schizophrenia, had called Martinez a pedophile and thrown a punch, according to prosecutors. Martinez, who had never been arrested for rape and is not on the sexual offender registry, told cops he did not mean to kill Paulino, according to a criminal complaint.

The victim's heartbroken family questioned the facility's lack of security and said Paulino was suffering "an episode" when he

attacked Martinez, whom the victim thought of as a friend.

On March 13, Naishan Davis, 37, was shot on Sutter Ave. near Rockaway Ave.

"His smile changed my outlook on life because he gave me so much joy," wrote the victim's mother, Mintrous Davis, on a tribute wall of the funeral home that handled his service.

"Let's stand together so his killers don't stay free after robbing me," she wrote. "BROWNSVILLE WE ARE GOD'S SQUAD LET'S TELL IT SO THAT WE CAN CLEAN THE TRASH FROM OUR STREETS. FOR I'M SO BROKEN."

On his mother's doorstep

Anthony Barlow, 50, was killed in a double shooting at Sutter Ave. and Mother Gaston Blvd. on April 8, just steps away from his mother's house.

"Everybody around here loved him. He was nice, kind, calm. There was nothing that I asked him that he wouldn't do for me," said the grieving mom, who did not give her name.

Andrew Mason, 55, was found shot in the face inside a home on Eastern Pkwy. near Thomas S. Boyland St. less than two weeks later.

"He'd been there a few days. The blood was all dried. Nobody heard a shot," a neighbor told the Daily News.

On May 3, Jalil Nixon, 34, was killed at Junius St. and Glenmore Ave. in a double shooting at another supportive housing complex. A predawn 911 call led police to find the victims with gunshot wounds inside the lobby of the Stone House, according to police. Nixon's cousin was also shot but

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In January, a 28-year-old man was gunned down at Atlantic and Rockaway Aves. (main photo). Jalil Nixon (top) was shot in May. Jasai Guy (bottom) was shot by his cousin. THEODORE PARISIENNE FOR NYDN; FACEBOOK



'It's like they killed him, so what?'

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survived, said the family.

Gun violence has haunted Nixon's family. While Jalil Nixon was still in his mother's womb, his father was shot and killed at the nearby Howard Houses, said his aunt Jackie Nixon. His brother Jamal Nixon was shot on two separate occasions by police and was killed in a 2003 shootout that erupted after police spotted him firing a weapon randomly outside the Seth Low Houses on New Year's Eve, according to The New York Times.

"It happens so often, no one's doing nothing. It's like they killed him, so what?" she said.

'I'm not hanging out'

Maurice Boodie, 24, was fatally shot in the chest and right leg on May 12 outside his home on Strauss St., just down the block from a 2022 double slaying.

A neighbor questioned why Boodie would have been targeted, noting she couldn't think of anyone he may have had a beef with.

"[He was] just loving," the neighbor told the Daily News. "I was shocked when I heard about it."

Another neighbor said locals avoided spending time outside.

"I've been here seven years," said the neighbor. "I'm not hanging out on the stoop."

Less than a week later, 30-year-old Lamont Russell of Bedford-Stuyvesant was shot multiple times in the chest on Osborn St. near Pitkin Ave. It was the same corner where he had allegedly shot a rival in 2019.

"He was always very energetic. He was a charismatic people person," said his nephew Rashad Jenkins. "He was funny. He loved to make people laugh."

Also on Osborn St. near Pitkin Ave., inside the Howard Houses, Jasai Guy, just 15, was shot and killed with an unlicensed sawed-off shotgun by his 12-year-old cousin on June 2.

The 12-year-old, who was charged with manslaughter, told cops he was grappling for the gun with his cousin when the weapon accidentally fired, the NYPD's Kenny said. It has not been determined whose gun it was.

Jasai, an honor student known as a talented basketball player who dreamed of being recruited by the NBA, was celebrated at a memorial and balloon release after his death.

His mother, Tiffany Guy, described her

late son as "a wonderful child."

"I don't know what to say," the bereft parent said at the memorial. "I don't have words. I'm just trying to hold on."

After the memorial, Darien Scriven, program manager of Brownsville In Violence Out, an anti-gun violence group, said the shooting caused trauma to a lot of kids in the neighborhood.

"One of the kids said 'I was just playing basketball with him yesterday,'" Scriven recalled.

More help needed

Scriven said not only should elected officials work to pass gun reform laws but that there is a need for more therapists and community resources. He said he imagined a public anti-gun campaign like the ones that targeted cigarettes.

"Let them know that this is not a video game, there's no coming back from this," he said.

Scriven gave credit to the 73rd Precinct, which he said had made "big strides," but said there was still not enough communication between the precinct and the community, particularly the youth.

"I remember when I was growing up, we always knew who the officer was. Most importantly he knew who we were."

A resident of the Howard Houses who gave his name as Nova, 40, said murder is par for the course in Brownsville.

"It's the way it is. I don't think it's getting worse," he said. "Some people ain't got nothing to do except to mess things up for everybody else."

The day after Jasai Guy was killed, 9-year-old Ruanna Paris Brown and her cousin 11-year-old Empress Alexander Davis were hit by stray gunfire as they played at Hilltop Playground on Dean St. near Thomas S. Boyland St.

After her daughter and niece were shot, Melissa Alexander, 36, expressed her frustration with the crime.

"It's been going on for too long. The gun violence, the gangs," she said. "It's just so stupid, it's just so out of control. They claimed they're going to make changes, but it's just a lot of talking for me. I want to see more movement, more work, more action."

"I get up and pray everyday, not just for my kids, but for the world. It's sick. It's more and more craziness," said Alexander.

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ISRAELIS SAVE FOUR HOSTAGES

Rescued from Hamas
terrorists as central Gaza
comes under fierce attack

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DEIR AL-BALAH, Gaza Strip — Israel on Saturday carried out its largest hostage rescue operation since the war with Hamas began, taking four to safety out of central Gaza amid the military's heavy air and ground assault.

At least 210 dead Palestinians, including children, were brought to local hospitals, a health official said.

Israelis were jubilant as the army said it freed Noa Argamani, 26; Almog Meir Jan, 22; Andrey Kozlov, 27, and Shlomi Ziv, 41, in a daytime operation in the heart of Nuseirat, raiding two locations at once while under fire. All were well, the military said.

They were taken by helicopter for medical checks and tearful reunions with loved ones after 246 days in captivity.

Argamani had been one of the most widely recognized hostages after being taken, like the three others, from a music festival. The video of her abduction, among the first to surface, showed her seated between two men on a motorcycle as she screamed, "Don't kill me!"

Her mother, Liora, has brain cancer and in April released a video pleading to see her daughter before she dies. Israel's Channel 13 said Argamani was moved to the hospital where her mother is being treated.

Saturday's rescue operation was "daring in nature, planned brilliantly, and executed in an extraordinary fashion," Defense Minister Yoav Gallant said.

Israeli aircraft hummed overhead as the bodies of 109 Palestinians, including 23 children and 11 women, were taken to Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital, where spokesman Khalil Degran told The Associated Press more than 100 wounded also arrived. He said that overall, 210 dead had been taken there and to Al-Awda Hospital, saying he had spoken to that hospital's director. Al-Awda's numbers could not immediately be confirmed.

AP reporters saw dozens of bodies brought from the Nuseirat and Deir al-Balah areas, as smoke rose in the distance and armored vehicles rolled by.

A baby was among the dead. Small children wailed, covered in blood. Bodies were placed on the ground outside, their feet bare, as more wounded were rushed in.

Neighboring Egypt condemned Israel's attacks on Nuseirat, with its Foreign Ministry calling it a "flagrant violation of all rules of international law." Neighboring Jordan also condemned it.

Israel's military said it had attacked "threats to our forces in the area," adding that one commando died from his wounds.

Israel's Channel 12 said the rescue force went into the heavily populated Nuseirat camp and burst into the two apartments where the hostages were, killing the captors. One getaway vehicle was shot and they came under heavy fire. Additional forces moved in to rescue them, and Israel used heavy fire to get them out.

Hamas took some 250 hostages during the Oct. 7

attack that killed about 1,200 people. Roughly half were released in a weeklong ceasefire in November.

About 120 hostages remain, with 43 pronounced dead.

Survivors include about 15 women, two children under the age of 5 and two men in their 80s.

Saturday's operation brought the total of rescued captives to seven. Two were freed in February and one was freed in the aftermath of the October attack. Israeli troops have recovered the bodies of at least 16 others, according to the government.

The latest rescue lifted some spirits in Israel as divisions deepen over the best way to bring hostages home. Many Israelis urge Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to embrace a ceasefire deal President Biden announced last month, but far-right allies threaten to collapse his government if he does.

Netanyahu, whose support has fallen, rushed to the hospital to greet the freed hostages. But thousands of Israelis again gathered Saturday evening for the latest anti-government demonstration and calls for a ceasefire agreement.

International pressure is mounting on Israel to limit civilian bloodshed in its war in Gaza, which reached its eighth month on Friday with more than 36,700 Palestinians killed, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which does not distinguish between fighters and civilians.

Palestinians also face widespread hunger as fighting and Israeli restrictions have largely cut off the flow of aid.



Israelis Andrey Kozlov (main photo) and Noa Argamani (top), were among four freed from Hamas terrorists in Gaza. Above, a wounded man in Gaza is treated after Israeli attack.



Rep. Byron Donalds outside Manhattan court last month. Inside, Donald Trump faced justice. AP

Ignorant – and harmful

Defense of Jim Crow by Black Fla. rep., a pal of Don, is sheer madness

Negro, please.

What else can you say to a man, a Black man, who ignorantly and defiantly suggests that a system of racially oppressive, state-sponsored terrorism that promoted and demanded a segregated society somehow benefited African-Americans?

America, meet Byron Donalds, a Florida congressman touted in some circles as a potential running mate for Donald Trump.

I'm not saying that Donalds is ignorant. I'm saying that what he said was ignorant.

"You see, during Jim Crow, the Black family was together," Donalds said last week in Philadelphia during a voter outreach campaign for Trump.

"During Jim Crow, more Black people were not just conservative – Black people have always been conservative-minded – but more Black people voted conservatively."

Rather than apologize and just admit that what he said was stupid, Donalds, a Republican, doubled down on the mindless remark, saying that marriage rates among Blacks were higher when Southern sheriffs were spraying protest crowds with water hoses and siccing dogs on children.



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"What I said was is that you had more Black families under Jim Crow, and it was the Democrat polices under HEW [the U.S. Health, Education and Welfare Department], under the welfare state, that did help to destroy the Black family," Donalds said later. "That's what I said. I also said that you're seeing a reinvigoration of Black families today in America, and that is a good thing."

OK, Donalds is ignorant. And I'm not the only one who thinks so.

"We were not better off when a young boy named Emmett Till could be brutally murdered without consequence because of Jim Crow," said House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries (D-Brooklyn).

"We were not better off when Black women could be sexually assaulted without consequence, because of Jim Crow. How

dare you make such an ignorant observation? You better check yourself before you wreck yourself?"

The Congressional Black Caucus demanded that Donalds apologize to African-Americans "for misrepresenting one of the darkest chapters in our history for his own political gain."

What are they feeding them in Florida, which just happens to be Trump's home base?

It was just last year the state's governor, Ron DeSantis, endorsed new curriculum guidelines requiring educators to instruct middle school students that "slaves developed skills which, in some instances, could be applied for their personal benefit."

"I think it's very clear that these guys did a good job on those standards," DeSantis said at the time.

It was the dumbest thing said about slavery since Ben Carson, Trump's former housing and urban development secretary, said that slaves were "immigrants."

Donalds needs to be reminded that the Jim Crow era was an ugly part of American history that erased much of the progress Blacks had made since the end of the

Civil War. Black men – and women – were lynched to enforce new oppressive laws to deny voting rights, quality education, decent housing and land ownership to generations of African-Americans.

The congressman's Jim Crow nostalgia moment came a full day after a federal appeals court blocked a venture capital fund from awarding \$20,000 grants to businesses owned by Black women.

The court sided with conservative activist Edward Blum, whose anti-woke campaign against diversity initiatives targeted the Atlanta-based Fearless Fund, a venture capital firm founded by Black women to support Black women.

"I am shattered for every girl of color who has a dream but will grow up in a nation determined not to give her a shot to live it," Fearless Fund founder and CEO Arian Simone said in a statement.

Expect more of this kind of anti-woke backlash if Trump is elected president again. Trump is making it worse by trotting out minions like Donalds, a potential running mate, in his campaign to win over Black voters.

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Rendering of the Science Park and Research Campus Kips Bay.



Hunter College dorm doom

Worry about student housing amid plans for life sciences center

BY TÉA KVETENADZE
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The plan to build a massive, multibillion-dollar life sciences hub on the Kips Bay site of Hunter College dorms is moving ahead amid concerns over how the school plans to replace the loss of its most affordable student housing.

Science Park and Research Campus Kips Bay, known as “SPARC Kips Bay,” is set to replace Hunter’s Brookdale Campus in the near future with nearly 2 million square feet of space for life sciences and health care.

It will take up the full block currently occupied by the campus between E. 25th and 26th Sts. and First Ave. and the FDR Drive, bringing three new interconnected towers, open space and a new accessible pedestrian bridge to the riverfront.

On Wednesday the New York City Economic Development Corp., which is spearheading the project, put out a request for proposals for a firm to manage the two-phase construction — a contract expected to be worth more than \$1 billion.

It comes ahead of SPARC Kips Bay entering the formal rezoning process this summer.

Beyond the upfront investments of

\$1.6 billion from the city and state and \$2 billion in private backing, the science park project is expected to generate \$42 billion in economic impact over the next 30 years and create thousands of jobs. Construction is scheduled to start in late 2025 and continue through 2031.

SPARC will feature classrooms and labs for three CUNY branches — including a new home for Hunter’s School of Nursing, currently located on the site — plus a science-focused public school and space for the city’s Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and NYC Health + Hospitals.

“Each year, CUNY enrolls about 40,000 students in health and human services programs, and this state-of-the-art facility will prepare them to work in New York’s growing life sciences and public health sectors as well as create much-needed jobs in these fields to help our economy,” CUNY Chancellor Felix Matos Rodriguez has said.

But missing from the plan are any details on if or how Hunter plans to replace the dormitories on the Brookdale campus, which is currently home to 650 or so students. While the student body of about 23,000 is largely made up of commuters, a small percentage live in Hunter’s three dorms.

At a maximum cost of \$7,600 a year, the Brookdale location is by far the college’s

cheapest housing option. The current dorms will close after May 2025 ahead of SPARC’s construction, set to launch later that year.

“CUNY will ensure that students at Brookdale dorms who wish to reside in CUNY dorms will be accommodated in other CUNY dorms located elsewhere in Manhattan and those living in Brookdale prior to the project announcement will be guaranteed housing at their current rate,” said a university spokesman.

But there are no public plans to rebuild or relocate the dormitories despite calls from locals and the Hunter community — and the dire ongoing housing shortage and affordability crisis. The CUNY spokesman would not address the question of whether any replacement dorms are planned.

P.M. Campbell is a rising senior at Hunter and an organizer with Back Brookdale, a group of Hunter students and alumni that don’t want to lose affordable housing.

“Hunter students want a sense of community, a place to gather after class. That’s very much lacking in the CUNY system, or at least at Hunter,” he said.

“I currently live in the Bronx, so my transit to Hunter College is an hour there and an hour back every day, which means compared to my friends that live in the city, I’m spending a lot more time traveling than studying. More time on the train than in my

classroom,” Campbell added. “For a school that’s supposedly for the working class, you would expect them to cater to the living situations. We need affordable housing for these students.”

Jennifer Gaboury, a longtime lecturer and adviser at Hunter, said that for many students at CUNY, additional costs — such as housing and student fees — can be the difference between dropping out and graduating.

“No housing at CUNY goes empty because the need is very high,” said Gaboury, who is also first vice president of the CUNY faculty union.

“Honestly, this should be a priority. The city and state should be more involved in proactively responding to [this issue]. ... They have the opportunity to expand the dorms — not just put back 600.”

Last month local Community Board 6 passed a resolution reiterating its desire for SPARC to include income-restricted lodging prioritizing CUNY students and staff; days later Assemblyman Harvey Epstein (D-Manhattan) also reupped his request for housing to be included since the project is being built on public land.

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1 bedroom		\$616	8		1 person	\$ 24,446 - \$ 32,610	1 bedroom		\$881	8		1 person	\$ 33,532 - \$ 43,480
					2 people	\$ 24,446 - \$ 37,290						2 people	\$ 33,532 - \$ 49,720
					3 people	\$ 24,446 - \$ 41,940						3 people	\$ 33,532 - \$ 55,920
2 bedroom	\$728	5		2 people	\$ 29,349 - \$ 37,290	2 bedroom	\$1,046	5		2 people	\$ 40,252 - \$ 49,720		
				3 people	\$ 29,349 - \$ 41,940					3 people	\$ 40,252 - \$ 55,920		
				4 people	\$ 29,349 - \$ 46,590					4 people	\$ 40,252 - \$ 62,120		
				5 people	\$ 29,349 - \$ 50,310					5 people	\$ 40,252 - \$ 67,080		
Unit Size	50% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI) UNITS	Monthly Rent ¹	Units Available		Household Size ²	Annual Household Income ³ <i>Minimum – Maximum⁴</i>	Unit Size	60% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI) UNITS	Monthly Rent ¹	Units Available		Household Size ²	Annual Household Income ³ <i>Minimum – Maximum⁴</i>
1 bedroom		\$1,146	9		1 person	\$ 42,618 - \$ 54,350	2 bedroom		\$1,682	14		2 people	\$ 62,058 - \$ 74,580
					2 people	\$ 42,618 - \$ 62,150						3 people	\$ 62,058 - \$ 83,880
					3 people	\$ 42,618 - \$ 69,900						4 people	\$ 62,058 - \$ 93,180
2 bedroom		\$1,364	6		2 people	\$ 51,155 - \$ 62,150	2 bedroom		\$1,682	14		4 people	\$ 62,058 - \$ 93,180
					3 people	\$ 51,155 - \$ 69,900						5 people	\$ 62,058 - \$ 100,620
					4 people	\$ 51,155 - \$ 77,650							
	5 people				\$ 51,155 - \$ 83,850								
Unit Size	70% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI) UNITS	Monthly Rent ¹	Units Available		Household Size ²	Annual Household Income ³ <i>Minimum – Maximum⁴</i>	Unit Size	80% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI) UNITS	Monthly Rent ¹	Units Available		Household Size ²	Annual Household Income ³ <i>Minimum – Maximum⁴</i>
1 bedroom		\$1,578	5		1 person	\$ 57,429 - \$ 76,090	1 bedroom		\$1,773	5		1 person	\$ 64,115 - \$ 86,960
					2 people	\$ 57,429 - \$ 87,010						2 people	\$ 64,115 - \$ 99,440
					3 people	\$ 57,429 - \$ 97,860						3 people	\$ 64,115 - \$ 111,840
2 bedroom		\$1,881	8		2 people	\$ 68,880 - \$ 87,010	2 bedroom		\$2,066	52		2 people	\$ 75,223 - \$ 99,440
					3 people	\$ 68,880 - \$ 97,860						3 people	\$ 75,223 - \$ 111,840
					4 people	\$ 68,880 - \$ 108,710						4 people	\$ 75,223 - \$ 124,240
	5 people				\$ 68,880 - \$ 117,390	5 people		\$ 75,223 - \$ 134,160					

¹ Tenant responsible for electricity, including electric stove. Rent includes hot water, and gas for heat.

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BY GAIL GERSON

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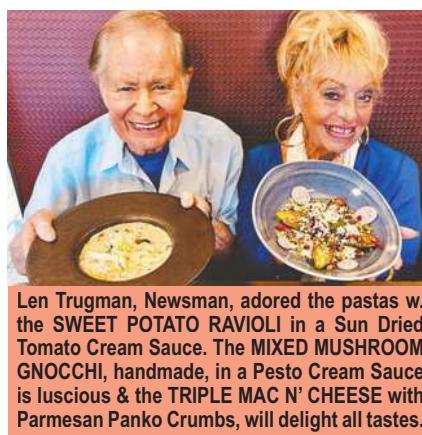
ne, Pistachio, Labne Cheese, Watermelon Feta Cheese, Mint, Cilantro, Sumac, Radish, Olive Oil & Balsamic Vinegar. What an amazing taste! Another great special was the CROSSHATCH ZUCCHINI that received raves from the researching reporters who loved the "feel good" atmosphere, easy prices & weekly diverse specialties. Eli understands what will work for his "foodie" clientele & even more importantly, what will not. Pizza can be ordered with a Sour Dough Crust, Whole Wheat, or Gluten Free Crust. This classy dining temple, with fine Italian dining that dares to be different, now has Bobba drinks & Sushi presentations, in addition to breakfast selections.

Entrees to try include the TILE FISH with a Mushroom Medley, Kalamata Olives & Cherry Tomatoes. The PAN SEARED SALMON is in a Sun Dried Tomato Cream Sauce or you can choose a Lemon Herb Sauce & is perfectly prepared. The flavors of these mouth-watering dishes linger on your palate. GAIL SAYS TAKE DAD ON HIS DAY & GO!

Try the exquisite SUNRISE AVOCADO stuffed with Cucumber, Red Onion, Carrots, Feta Cheese & fresh mint in a luscious Roasted Pepper Sauce, topped with Sweet Potato Chips. Try the blissful SWEET POTATO SCALLOPS roasted atop Tahina & covered with a delicious Lemon Spinach Vinaigrette, Jalapeno Chutney, Shalots, fresh Cilantro & Mint & finished with a Silan sprinkle. I love the homemade MUSHROOM ASPARAGUS RISOTTO w. mushrooms & Asparagus & delectable Truffle Oil & Parm Cheese. The TUNA TOWER w. layers of Tacos, Seared Cajun Tuna, Avocado Salad, Chipotle Mayo, & Spring Leaves, topped with a Misu Glaze, was a big hit.



Pearl loved the generous entrees, like the SALMON & the succulent desserts, such as the ISRAELI CHEESECAKE, CRÈME BRULÉE & CHOCOLATE SOUFFLE.

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Len Trugman, Newsman, adored the pastas w. the SWEET POTATO RAVIOLI in a Sun Dried Tomato Cream Sauce. The MIXED MUSHROOM GNOCCHI, handmade, in a Pesto Cream Sauce is luscious & the TRIPLE MAC N' CHEESE with Parmesan Panko Crumbs, will delight all tastes.



Our amazing server Angie recommends the new BOBBA DRINKS & Ray loved Erik's Salads such as the MIDDLE EASTERN & FALL COLORED salads, that are equally applauded.

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Emergency workers carry a wounded person from damaged apartment building following Friday's Ukrainian missile attack on Luhansk, the capital of Russian-controlled Luhansk region.

Russian-controlled areas of Ukraine attacked, leaving at least 28 dead

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KYIV, Ukraine — Russia-installed officials in the partially-occupied Ukrainian regions of Kherson and Luhansk said Ukrainian attacks left at least 28 people dead as Russia and Ukraine continued to exchange drone attacks overnight into Saturday.

A Ukrainian attack Friday on the small town of Sadove in the Kherson region killed 22 and wounded 15 people, Moscow-appointed governor Vladimir Saldo said.

Russian state news agency Tass cited Saldo as saying that Ukrainian forces first struck the town with a French-made guided bomb, then attacked again with a U.S.-supplied HIMARS missile. He said Ukrainian forces had “deliberately made a repeat strike to create greater numbers of casualties” when “residents of nearby houses ran out to help the injured.”

Officials declared Saturday a day of mourning in Luhansk, and public events will be similarly cancelled Sunday and Monday in Kherson.

Further east, Leonid Pasechnik, the

Russia-installed governor in Ukraine's partially occupied Luhansk region, said Saturday that two more bodies had been pulled from the rubble following Friday's Ukrainian missile attack on the regional capital, also called Luhansk. Russian state news agency Interfax cited regional authorities as saying this brought the death toll to six. Pasechnik also said 60 people were wounded in the attack.

Ukraine did not comment on either assault.

Meanwhile, drone attacks between Russia and Ukraine persisted.

Ukraine launched a barrage of drones across Russian territory overnight Friday, Russia's Defense Ministry said Saturday. Twenty-five drones were reportedly destroyed over Russia's southern Kuban and Astrakhan regions, the western Tula region, and the Moscow-annexed Crimean peninsula.

On Saturday morning, officials said air defenses for the first time shot down Ukrainian drones over the North Ossetia region in the North Caucasus, some 900 km (560 miles) east of the front line

in Ukraine's partially occupied Zaporizhzhia region.

Russia's Ministry of Defense said that one drone had been destroyed, whereas regional Gov. Sergei Menyailo reported three downed drones over the region. Menyailo said that the target was a military airfield.

Ukrainian air defense overnight shot down nine out of 13 Russian drones over the central Poltava region, south-eastern Zaporizhzhia and Dnipropetrovsk regions, and the Kharkiv region in the northeast, Ukraine's air force said Saturday.

Dnipropetrovsk regional Gov. Serhiy Lysak said the overnight drone attack damaged commercial and residential buildings.

Later on Saturday, a Ukrainian military spokesman said Ukraine now controlled more than half of the town of Vovchansk, a flashpoint for fighting since Russia launched a renewed offensive in Ukraine's northeastern Kharkiv region last month.

“Most of the city is under the control of the defense forces,” Nazar Voloshin, spokesman for the Khortytsia ground forces formation, said on Ukrainian state TV.

It wasn't immediately possible to

independently confirm the claim.

Russia's Kharkiv push appears to be a coordinated new offensive that includes testing Ukrainian defenses in the Donetsk region further south, while also launching incursions in the northern Sumy and Chernihiv regions.

Also on Saturday, Ukrainian officials said there was an attempt on the life of the ex-mayor of Kupiansk, a city in Ukraine's northeastern Kharkiv region, on Friday.

The Main Intelligence Directorate of Ukraine's Ministry of Defense said Hennadiy Matsehora was in “critical condition” after he was attacked in Russia's Belgorod region, bordering Ukraine.

Officials said he “voluntarily agreed to full cooperation” when Russian troops invaded and in June 2022 “signed the so-called protocol for the creation of the occupation Kharkiv administration.”

After the Ukrainian Armed Forces took back control of Kupiansk, Matsehora had “escaped with the Russians to the Belgorod region,” Ukrainian intelligence said.

The statement by the directorate on social messaging app Telegram labeled the ex-mayor a “traitor.”

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'Caribbean Week' eyes the region's aviation industry

The return of National Caribbean American Heritage Month in June also marks the return of "Caribbean Week in New York," the annual international event of tourism-related activities coming to Manhattan's InterContinental Times Square from June 16 through 21, presented by the Barbados-based Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO).

Beginning with a Sunday morning service on June 16 at Brooklyn's Lenox Road Baptist Church, the week continues with government and travel industry officials attending a business and tourism marketing symposium focusing on AI technologies and marketing issues, plus other activities.

Under this year's special theme, "Connecting the Globe, Celebrating Diversity," the future of Caribbean aviation will be highlighted, "emphasizing innovation and connectivity." The "Caribbean Airlift Forum" — addressing "route development, aviation competitiveness, partnerships, infrastructure investment, regulatory frameworks, and market demand strategies" — is one of the events exploring the role and evolving potential of aviation and its vital airline connections to the region.

From Puerto Rico's bustling Luis Muñoz Marin International Airport servicing more than 4 million flights a year, to the recent renovation of St. Maarten's Princess Juliana International Airport after 2017's Hurricane Irma, aviation provides a vital lifeline for the tourist-reliant economies of the Caribbean.

New York area-centered events at the conference include the "Gateway Connections: Exploring Caribbean-New York City Tourism Dynamics" session delving into New York's important role in Caribbean tourism, and the "Building Bridges: Caribbean and African American Marketing" luncheon focusing on Black American travelers visiting the region.

"There's always business in the New York tristate area, and we have a burgeoning diaspora that we must connect with," said Caribbean Week spokeswoman Rosa Harris, who is also chairman of the CTO board of directors and the director of tourism for the Cayman Islands. For information, visit onecaribbean.org, or email caribbeanweek@marketplaceexcellence.com.

Colossal contributions

With several other national commemorations in June, it may seem that Caribbean American Heritage Month doesn't get the respect it warrants. But don't fear. The immeasurable contributions Caribbean-Americans have made to the U.S. are so expansive that it's evident in the category and beyond.



"Above all, Caribbean-Americans are leaders — they are our beloved doctors, nurses, teachers, athletes, artists, community organizers, entrepreneurs, and our service members and first responders, who put their lives on the line to keep the rest of us safe," said President Biden in his 2024 proclamation for national Caribbean American Heritage Month.

Among the many notable figures are Alexander Hamilton, the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, who came from Nevis, as did the parents of Emmy Award-winning actress Cicely Tyson. Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman elected to the U.S. Congress and the first Black major party hopeful for president, was born to immigrant parents from British Guiana (present-day Guyana) and Barbados. Colin Powell, the first African-American secretary of state, had Jamaican immigrant parents, and civil rights activist Stokely Carmichael was born in Trinidad.

And among the performing artists is hip hop's "founding founder" DJ Kool Herc, who hails from Jamaica; rap music's "Human Beatbox" Doug E. Fresh, who was born in Barbados, and singer-songwriter Nicki Minaj who immigrated from Trinidad.

The official commemoration of Caribbean American Heritage Month in 2006 followed a national campaign by Claire Nelson of the Institute of Caribbean Studies think tank to give proper recognition to the generations of Caribbean connected people who toiled to better their adopted homelands in a myriad of ways.

And with so many contributions, Caribbean-American heritage overlaps into other areas.

So when "LGBTQ Pride Month" and "African American Music Appreciation Month" (aka Black Music Month) hold their respective celebrations in June, note that Caribbean-rooted singer Harry Belafonte and songwriter Irving Burgie's creation of "Calypso," America's first million-selling album, is a hallmark moment of Black Music Month history, while iconic Harlem Renaissance poet Claude McKay, whose "Home to Harlem" novel was dubbed the first commercially successful novel by a Black writer, is considered a prominent figure in LGBTQ history.

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Tribeca Festival's De Niro Con is

Robert De Niro is so much the star of this year's Tribeca Festival, which he co-founded in 2002, that a special De Niro Con will show 13 of the star's movies.

"Mean Streets" will screen on its 50th anniversary next Saturday at the Beacon Theater, followed by a Q&A with director **Martin Scorsese** and De Niro (near right) with Scorsese) led by Queens rapper **Nas**. De Niro went to the rapper's 50th birthday party last year.

Also, 300 curated tchotchkes from De Niro's attic are on display. Wait, there's more: Max Cady's prison tattoo parlor from "Cape Fear" will be re-created and you can get tats. I'm passing.

Chazz Palminteri, who was discovered by De Niro, will premiere a special he filmed at the Paramount theater in Huntington, L.I., called "A Bronx Tale: The Original One Man Show."

"He's done it over 1,000 times, so it's probably not too shabby," said PBS film critic **Bill McCuddy**. "He knows all the lines." Palminteri tells McCuddy, "The show has been selling out for years, but now they're going to see it really upclose and personal, every nuance."

Palminteri's producer **Jason Nower** said, "Chazz wanted to show the world the version De Niro originally saw and inspired him to star in and direct the film. Anyone's story with heart can be meaningful."

More details at TribecaFilm.com/denirocon. You lookin' at him? You lookin' at him? Yes, we are. Go in a large Cadillac convertible and double-park.



Lupita Nyong'o, who won an Oscar for "12 Years a Slave," has finally gotten over her breakup with ESPN commentator **Selema Masekela** after dating him for nearly a year.

The "Black Panther" star was recently spotted wrapped around "Dawson's Creek" actor **Joshua Jackson** in Los Angeles and in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, before Jackson went to Montreal to film "Karate Kid" alongside **Jackie Chan**. Jackson split with his ex-wife, **Jodie Turner-Smith**, around the same time Nyong'o and Masekela ended their relationship.

Nyong'o (above with Jackson) has confided that Jackson helped her recover from the "season of heartbreak" that she described on her Instagram following the split from Masekela last year.

She is back on the big screen starring in "A Quiet Place: Day One," the prequel



to **John Krasinski's** blockbuster Krasinski starred in with wife **Emily Blunt** in 2018.

Her co-stars in the horror film, out June 28, include **Alex Wolff** of "Oppenheimer" and **Joseph Quinn** of "Stranger Things."

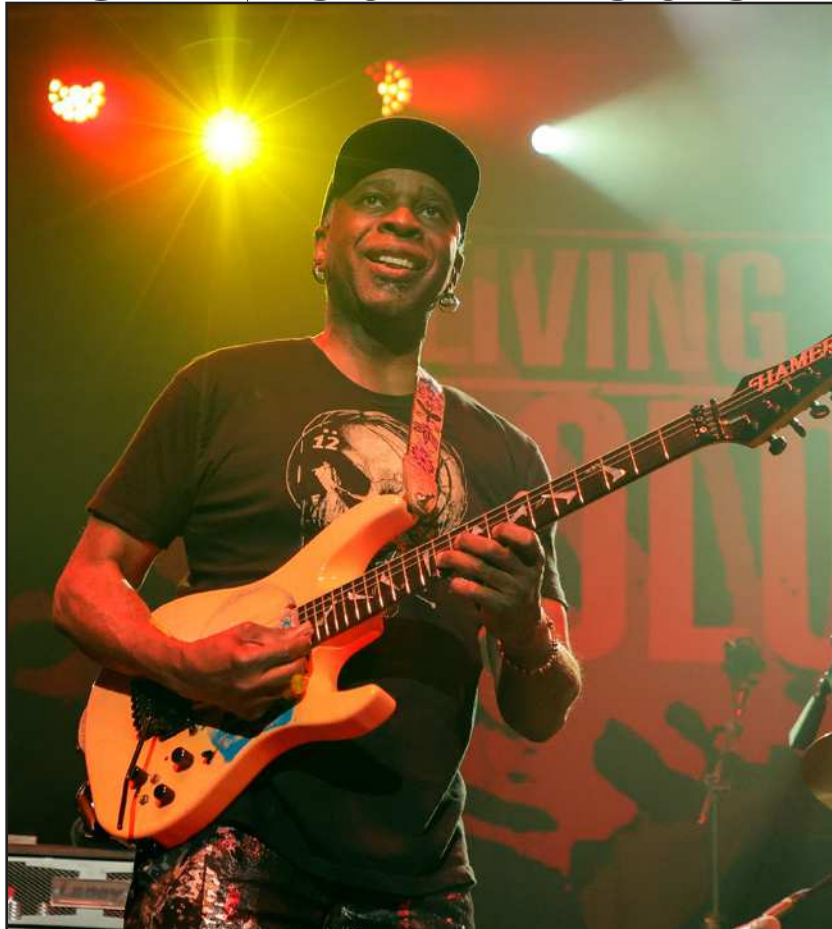
David Fortune won a pitch competition at last year's Tribeca Festival. He was given \$1 million by Untold Stories, which provides resources and mentorship to systemically underrepresented filmmakers to produce their films.

The result is "Color Book," about a devoted father who, after his wife's passing, is learning to raise his son with Down syndrome (**Jeremiah Daniels**) as a single parent.

Fortune, who finished filming in Atlanta in four months, said directing Daniels was



no 'Mean' feat



a pleasure.

"There wasn't much coaching on my end," Fortune tells me. "He's just being himself. That's the performance I wanted."

Chantal Nchako, who grew up speaking French in Cameroon in Africa, got an instant reaction from her family when she told them she had a role in "Beverly Hills Cop: Axel F"

"My people don't know who's who in Hollywood, but they sure know who **Eddie Murphy** is. They don't have to look him up," Nchako (below left) told me.

She plays a police officer, "a thorn in Alex Foley's side," in the film now on Netflix. "It's a lovely unforgettable scene."

Nchako spends much of the year in Sicily, where she teaches acting at the Silva Arte Danza, and she's fluent in Italian.

She speaks English flawlessly, having been trained by speech coaches. "You have to lose your accent," she said.

Haute Living magazine exec **April Irene Donelson** celebrated her birthday with a bash on Crab Island, off the coast of Destin, Florida.

The resort has plenty of celebrity visitors, including **Britney Spears**, **John Grisham** and **Sheryl Crow**.

Guests flew in from around the country and boarded a two-story party boat, with Destin Mayor **Bobby Wagner**, who is young and handsome, aboard.

Donelson, a fit blond from Victoria, in

the Lone Star State, said, "I am a Texan. We know how to have a good time." El Cristiano Tequila was flowing freely, and there were two generators and several DJs.

DJ Prince Hakim, the son of Kool & the Gang co-founder **Robert Bell**, is following in his father's footsteps.

Hakim last week spun his latest single, "I'm Good," for VIPs including **Chelsea Clinton** at the Social Innovation Summit in Chicago.

He'll host the Kool Kids Foundation's celebrity golf tournament with golfers including **Ja Rule**, **Charles Oakley** and **Chris Tucker** at the Cedar Hill Country Club in New Jersey on July 16.

The tournament's proceeds will help provide musical instruments to talented young people while steering them away from the challenges of the streets.

It's hard to believe it's been 41 years since guitarist **Vernon Reid** and Living Colour burst on the scene with their album "Vivid" in 1983.

In honor of the group's longevity, Reid (top) and Living Colour are celebrating Juneteenth with an intimate performance at Hard Rock Cafe NYC on June 19.

Rolling Stone has Reid at No. 42 in their Top 250 Guitarists of All Time. And the group's classic "Cult of Personality" is listed as the 12th all-time Best Metal Song.

Living Colour continues their world tour with Extreme this September.

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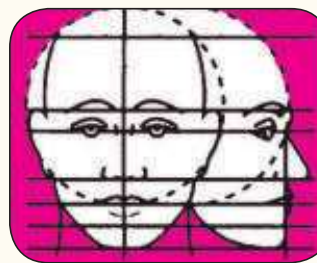
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NYC PRIDE 2024

WEEK TWO OF PRIDE: MANY

BY MURI ASSUNÇÃO
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Pride Month in New York City is entering its second week of rainbow-powered fun.

For the next seven days, the LGBTQ community's spirit of joy, resilience and unity will be on full display at venues across the city, with events for all tastes, ages, faiths, backgrounds, sexual identities and gender expressions.

Just like last week, the number of options can easily overwhelm even the most seasoned Pride enthusiast. But fear not. Here are some ideas to get you started. Happy Pride!

Sunday, June 9

Long Island Pride, Huntington

The city's rainbow festivities move east for the 34th annual Long Island Pride. Thousands are expected to take to the streets of Huntington Village when the celebration gets underway with the official Long Island Pride Parade. A festival featuring vendors, food trucks, a beer and wine garden and a family-friendly zone will get the party going, while an impressive list of performers — including pop diva group The Cover Girls and “RuPaul’s Drag Race” queens Luxx Noir London and Rosé — bring the celebration of inclusivity to the mainstage. *Free. 12-5 p.m. Parade kicks off at Clinton Ave. and Main St. in Huntington. Festival and concert in Heckscher Park.*

Monday, June 10

Intergenerational Book Talk and Sunset Silent Disco, Manhattan

LGBTQ people and allies of all ages are invited to participate in the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine’s annual Iconic Pride celebration. The evening begins with an intergenerational book talk featuring author Chloe Davis discussing “The Queens’ English: The Young Readers’ LGBTQIA+ Dictionary of Lingo and Colloquial Phrases” and members of SAGE USA, an organization focused on older members of the LGBTQ community. After the discussion, a Sunset Silent Disco will feature music from different decades. *Free. Book talk: 6-7 p.m., Sunset Silent Disco: 7-8 p.m. 1047 Amsterdam Ave.*

Tuesday, June 11

ChamberQUEER 2024: Constellation, Brooklyn

ChamberQUEER, a collective of artists dedicated to elevating LGBTQ voices in classical music, is back with its annual celebration of diversity and excellence. The sixth annual Constellation festival runs from Tuesday through Friday at MITU580, a former glass recycling facility retrofitted into a Brooklyn performance space. Tuesday’s performances include Canadian

Monét X Change (left) and Sapphira Cristál Lawrence Sumulong will be at Lincoln Center on Wednesday. Inset, Brooklyn’s youth pride has much to offer.



trans(masculine) nonbinary soprano Teiya Kasahara, accompanied by pianist David Eliakis and the Bloom Sound Collective, a group of artists who create healing sound baths and immersive concerts. *Ticket prices vary by event. From Tuesday through Sunday. 580 Sackett St., ground floor, Gowanus.*

Wednesday, June 12

Soundcake: Aural Confections by Sapphira Cristál & Monét X Change, Manhattan

“RuPaul’s Drag Race” royalty kicks off

Lincoln Center’s “Summer for the City” series on Wednesday. Harlem-based producer James Blaszkowski brings to the stage drag divas Sapphira Cristál and Monét X Change in a newly commissioned piece that seeks to unite “the beauty of opera and the fabulosity of drag, paying homage to the queerness and gender expansion present in both.” The show, which will tell the queens’ journey to stardom through music, also features fellow “Drag Race” star and Brooklyn violinist Thor Thor and genre-queer chanteuse Pretty Lamé. *Free. 7:30 p.m. Damrosch Park at*

Amsterdam Ave. and West 62nd St.

Thursday, June 13

LGBTQIA+ Interfaith Event, Staten Island

The Pride Center of Staten Island continues its month-long rainbow celebration with an all-age, all-faith event. Members of the LGBTQ community and their friends are invited to celebrate diversity in a conversation about people’s experiences “at the intersection of queer identity and spirituality.” Light refreshments will be served. *Free. 6-8 p.m. 66 Willow Ave.,*



WAYS TO RIDE THE RAINBOW



LGBTQ community in the years leading up to the Stonewall Riots. *Free. 3:30-4:30 p.m. Registration required. 90 Kent Ave., Williamsburg.*

Friday, June 14

Pride exhibition at New-York Historical Society, Manhattan

The future home of the American LGBTQ+ Museum is honoring the legacy of two individuals who played a major role in the fight against homophobia and discrimination – WWII veteran Frank Kameny, who was fired from the Army Map Service for being gay and later co-founded the D.C. branch of the pre-Stonewall gay rights group The Mattachine Society; and Tyler Clementi, an 18-year-old student and gifted musician whose suicide in 2010 sparked calls for anti-bullying legislation. The New-York Historical Society is marking Pride this year with the public display of Kameny's military uniform and Clementi's violin, and a ceremony to welcome the objects. *Free with museum admission. 4:30-7:30 p.m. 170 Central Park West.*

Serve the Vote Ball, Manhattan

The month-long Pride celebrations at the city's LGBTQ community center take over the dance floor with the Serve the Vote Ball. The event, organized by The Center in collaboration with the New York Transgender Advocacy Group and national nonprofit Drag Out the Vote, is designed to highlight the importance of voting amid a record number of anti-trans bills being introduced in legislatures across the country. Get ready to slay the runway, serve sickening looks, win cash prizes and register to vote. *Free. 4-10 p.m. Registration required. 208 W. 13th St.*

Saturday, June 15

Youth Pride, Brooklyn

Brooklyn's annual Youth Pride event will feature carnival games, free tasty treats, giveaways, performances and even an immersive 360-degree photo booth "where every angle tells a story of love and acceptance." All teens and young adults ages 13-21 are invited to take part in the fun-filled afternoon. *Free. 12-5 p.m. Reservations required. 4th Street between 4th and 5th avenues, Park Slope.*

A Remembrance, Manhattan

The NYC AIDS Memorial is marking Pride Month by highlighting artwork and performances created in response to AIDS. They include the New York premiere of the chamber music work "Untold Elegy," a staged reading of "The Simplest Thing" by late artist Cookie Mueller, featuring Emmy- and Tommy-nominated actress Jessica Hecht; and a special performance by the New York City Gay Men's Chorus. *Free. 3 p.m. Corner of Greenwich Ave. and W. 12th St.*

Suite 202.

Met Expert Talks – Celebrating Pride Month, Manhattan

The Metropolitan Museum of Art's Met Expert Talks series offers visitors an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at some of the institution's works of art. This month, as part of the Met's Pride celebrations, Tiarra Brown, the museum's research associate for modern and contemporary art, will guide art lovers through the "Queer Identity and Queer Spaces" section of its "Harlem Renaissance and Transatlantic Modernism" exhibition. *Free*

with museum admission. 11-11:30 a.m. Advanced registration is recommended. 1000 5th Ave.

Pride Night at the Museum, Manhattan

The American Museum of Natural History is marking Pride Month with a "kaleidoscope of content" for the 21+ crowd. The event includes a peek inside the museum's scientific collections; food pairings and specialty cocktails by Brooklyn-based chef Edy Massih; STEM trivia with "Drag Race" alum and math diva Kyne Santos; and a Beyond the Zodiac

after-party, with piloting through the universe courtesy of visualization software OpenSpace. *Tickets start at \$25. 6-9:30 p.m. 200 Central Park West.*

Pride Storytime, Brooklyn

The Marsha P. Johnson State Park in Williamsburg is celebrating Pride with a special edition of Drag Story Hour. Learning, loving and laughing will rule the afternoon, as young visitors get a chance to work on diversity-themed craft projects, listen to stories, and learn about the life and legacy of Johnson, a key figure in the fight for the rights of the

PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



MILESTONE IN MEXICO: Claudia Sheinbaum celebrates results of the general election at Zocalo Square in Mexico City. She is set to be Mexico's first woman president. AFP/GETTY



DEVASTATION: Investigators and firefighters examine scene in Lake Zurich, Ill., where an explosion destroyed a home. The state fire marshal is investigating the cause. PAUL VALADE/DAILY HERALD VIA AP



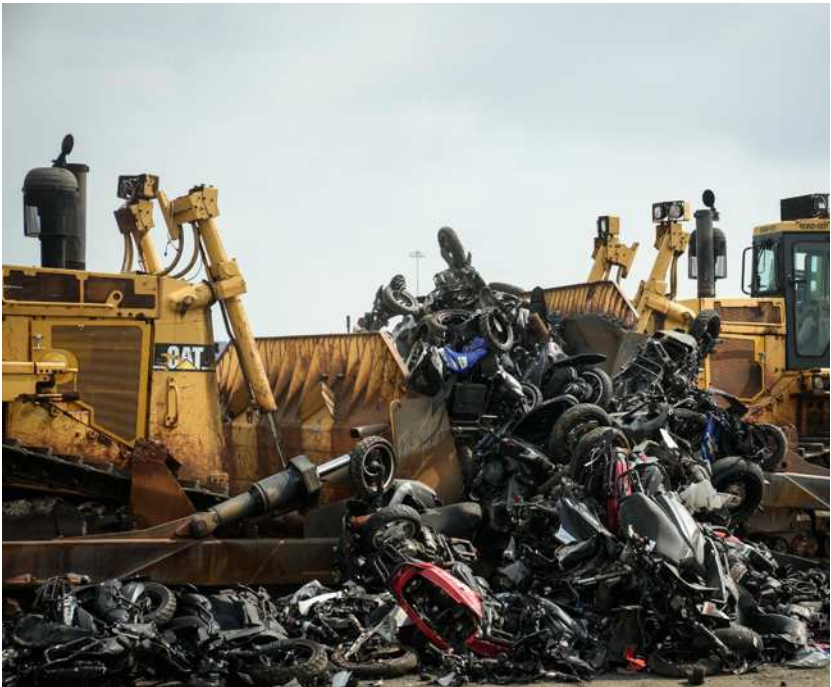
BIG STEP FOR BOEING: Atlas V rocket with Boeing's CST-100 Starliner spacecraft launches from Cape Canaveral. Boeing is sending its first astronauts to the International Space Station. AFP/GETTY



SACRIFICES HONORED: American soldiers attend a wreath laying as part of ceremonies marking the 80th anniversary of D-Day near Omaha Beach, Normandy. AP



ANGST OVER IMMIGRATION: Supporters of immigrants rights block traffic in Times Square after President Biden issued new immigration enforcement rules. BARRY WILLIAMS FOR NYDN



RIDES AND WRONGS: Officials crush more than 200 illegal mopeds and scooters seized in 2024 on Staten Island, part of a new push to combat unregistered vehicles. MICHAEL APPLETON/MAYORAL PHOTOGRAPHY OFFICE

SUNDAY



OPINION

WHAT'S NEXT FOR

Use this pause to fix the tolling program

BE OUR GUEST

BY CRISTYNE L. NICHOLAS

Everyone seems to be mad at Gov. Hochul. But maybe, she did us all a big favor.

Transit advocates and MTA bosses who've been betting on congestion pricing to solve the agency's financial woes are furious at her for pausing the program indefinitely just as it was about to begin, leaving giant toll-readers standing uselessly above several avenues at 60th St.

Business folks and others who cringed at the \$15 fee that was going to be levied on all those entering lower Manhattan, and feared as I did that it would stall the city's slow recovery from COVID-19, were angered by her alternative plan of a payroll mobility tax.

As chair of the Broadway Association, we were one of the few voices urging the MTA and the governor to pump the brakes on congestion pricing until NYC was better recovered.

Again and again, I was told that congestion pricing was a done deal — why waste your time fighting it?

Talk about pumping the brakes! Hochul slammed them so hard that I'm surprised MTA Chair Janno Lieber, a staunch supporter of congestion pricing, didn't go flying through the windshield. But now that she's done it, she's created a golden opportunity for all of us to reevaluate a way forward to fulfill the important, but seemingly forgotten goal, of mitigating traffic while raising much needed revenue for the MTA. Let's not waste it.

To be clear, most members of the Broadway Association weren't opposed to congestion pricing in theory, just the MTA's proposed plan. We know it's a little preposterous that you can drive into Manhattan for free on some bridges and pay tolls on others. We understand full well that the MTA needs better funding, and the streets need less traffic.

But as this plan came into focus, and as its astronomical fee structure was announced, it became clear that this was, first and foremost, a money grab — as pretty much proven by the fact that its replacement was also just about collecting money. Yes, lots of lip service was given to lessening traffic and improving the environment, but let's be realistic, that's just not what it was about. And so congestion pricing became a political headache for Hochul and the Democrats.

Instead of lobbying pot shots from a distance or begging for carveouts, the Broadway

Association met with experts and offered informed solutions. We testified at MTA hearings, wrote op-eds and hosted various forums and panels. In a discussion at Hunter College, I was the only one of four panelists to challenge it — it was lonely at first, but at the end of the presentation, it was clear the audience opposed the MTA's plan.

Our concerns resonated: \$15 was too steep for late shift hospitality workers who depend on driving to and more importantly, home, when very few public transportation options exist.

We argued that if we want NYC to be the once again thriving 24/7 city, we need workers 24/7 and slapping them with a \$4,000 annual tax was not a solution but a deterrent to come back to work.

So let's look at the scoreboard now. People are relieved the congestion pricing is on hold, but worried about new taxes to fund an agency that struggles to balance its budget.

The thing to do, quite simply, is reimagine and fix all the things that were wrong with congestion pricing, and get it up and running again. So thank you, Gov. Hochul for giving us all a second chance to get it right.

To begin with, let's rewrite the law that requires the plan to raise \$1 billion for the system. That's madness.

This would allow the MTA to lower the congestion tax, and add low cost tolls to all the free bridges into Manhattan, thus avoiding the pollution-causing toll shopping that the previous congestion pricing plan would surely have created. Let's start slow: How about \$2.90, the cost of a subway token?

The city should limit free parking on NYC streets and send those funds to the MTA, the state should increase fees associated with car registration and slap heavy fines on drivers with illegal ghost plates, those toll readers along 60th St. can be put to use snapping photos of VINs. The MTA itself should do a better job at preventing fare evaders on the subways and buses who cost the MTA more than \$700 million a year.

Want fewer cars? Let's start with limiting the unlimited (90,000 to 110,000) rideshare vehicles, which, by the way, have very few restrictions placed on them when compared to the city's 13,000 heavily regulated yellow taxis.

The governor was right to slow down this plan. Now it's time to figure out a way to achieve the goal of less traffic and better MTA service. It's not rocket science, just common sense.

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CONGESTION FEES

How to make the tolls better and fairer

BE OUR GUEST

BY LUCIUS RICCIO

Within five minutes after Gov. Hochul announced the postponement of the initiation of the congestion pricing charges, my email inbox filled up with panicked messages from advocate groups pleading for support to challenge the governor's order. Some of these people are afraid that the governor's move put a stake in the heart of their beloved program. Actually, I think she may have saved it.

As I predicted in my March 12 Daily News op-ed ("How to save congestion pricing"), as we got closer to CP's implementation, there would be stronger and stronger push back against many of the politicians who had initially supported it. Sure enough, in recent weeks the heat began to mount. Why? Here are some reasons as I see it.

First, the charge for the average person is too high. The \$15 charge was set, not for what people could pay, but for the need to raise the arbitrary \$1 billion goal. London initially charged a much smaller number to give people a chance to adjust. Why not \$6.94, the toll the MTA charges on the Triborough Bridge? And to spread out as well as reduce the rush hour congestion, change the times to 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Second, there are several gross inequities in its design. Staten Islanders, who have to pay a toll just to get off their island should not have to pay another to get into another part of New York City. At the other extreme, someone who lives on 58th St. can drive to City Hall and not pay the toll, but if they have a doctor's appointment at Cornell on 61st St., they will have to pay.

That particularly hurts people with disabilities who depend on cars. And if the effort is to reduce Midtown congestion, why does someone who drives down Second Ave. and gets on the Queensboro Bridge, never entering Midtown, have to pay the toll? Give anyone who lives in Manhattan the same discount Staten Islanders get on the Verrazzano. Charge them \$2.75.

Third, it hit many people the hardest who have no real or viable mass transit choice. Mass transit is not universally available throughout the region. And the people who don't have good access are not the rich. Most are modern working

class. Actually, it's not even universally available throughout Manhattan. For example, the Lower East Side is notoriously underserved. A working-class person who lives there and has a job in an outer borough will get financially whacked by this toll.

Fourth, it doesn't adequately charge the vehicles that are the real cause of Midtown congestion. If the issue is congestion, charge the Ubers and Lyfts, which account for 43% of Midtown cars, what yellow taxis have had to pay to operate in Midtown. Charge these For-Hire Vehicles upfront \$15,000 per year, the average carrying cost of having a medallion. That will make up most of "loss" associated with reducing the basic fee.

In addition to those FHVs, why not charge the bicycles a modest amount (\$1 a day?) for taking part of the street capacity? (Oh, I'm sorry. I forgot. They are God's people while drivers are the Devil's.)

Fifth, the timing is absurd. Although things are better in Manhattan since the bottom of the pandemic, we are nowhere near full recovery. Why scare people away? Maybe set a minimum commercial occupancy rate before implementing the toll?

Sixth, there are smarter ways of raising the needed money. A 10-cent gasoline tax throughout the MTA region will raise \$100 million-200 million per year. Implement a residential parking program in the city. Ten dollars a month to park exclusively in your neighborhood would raise another \$100 million.

Given these points, clearly the governor's order makes sense. It now provides the opportunity to rethink the program and correct many of its weaknesses. This is not about congestion. It's not about pollution. Although to many advocates, this is just about being anti-car. But it's really about raising much needed money for the MTA.

Chairman Janno Lieber and his team are doing a superb job with the resources they have been given, but if NYC hopes to remain one of the great cities of the world, we need to be sure the MTA gets the money it needs. Make the corrections, charge the right people, build more subways and expand the express buses.

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DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL

Congestion pricing countdown

Congestion pricing countdown" is what we've put atop our all our editorials (this the 17th with the same headline) about the impending tolling program beginning with an editorial on May 7 of last year when the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) accepted the MTA's 4,000-page environmental assessment and the clock began ticking toward the start of imposing a fee on vehicles entering Manhattan south of 60th St.

The headline remains today because Gov. Hochul's politically motivated claim that congestion pricing has been paused has no legal bearing and the normal government processes continue, or at least they should. June 30 is still the date it is supposed to commence.

Congestion pricing was enacted into state law in 2019 (Vehicle & Traffic Law Article 44-C) that required the MTA to adopt a tolling plan. Hochul did not get the Legislature to repeal, modify or amend that 2019 law. And that law, not Hochul's conversations at diners, sets state policy.

Our countdown began when the FHWA sent a May 5, 2023 letter to the MTA, represented by Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority COO Allison de Cerreto; New York State, represented by the state Department of Transportation Chief Engineer Nick Choubah; and New York City, represented by city Department of Transportation Assistant Commissioner for Policy Will Carry.

Those same four parties, FHWA, MTA/TBTA, NYSDOT and NYCDOT also need to endorse the final approval of congestion pricing for the federal government's tolling initiative for states and localities, called the Value Pricing Pilot Program (VPPP). That is the last step, as indicated in a joint statement Friday night from the MTA's CFO Kevin Willens and

General Counsel Paige Graves.

What seems to have happened is that Hochul has instructed state DOT, be it the current chief engineer, Stephanie Winkelhake, or Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez, to not sign the document. Hochul has no right to do so and the DOT official holding the pen must not heed the request from the governor. If the approval is merely ministerial and non-discretionary, as we suspect it is, certifying that all steps have been completed (as they have been), the paper must be signed. Otherwise, someone should sue to obtain a writ of mandamus from the court to compel the signature.

If the matter is discretionary, then the policy has long been set, not by Hochul's change of heart over coffee and a burger, but by state law. The law, not the inclinations of an individual, be it the governor or a chief engineer or a commissioner, is what controls.

Just like a county clerk cannot refuse to issue driver licenses to people without immigration documents or a local official cannot refuse to grant wedding licenses to a same-sex couple, the law of New York State (to have congestion pricing) must be carried out.

Hochul's apparently illegal inference however is causing the MTA to ponder its capital program, with \$15 billion now being uncertain.

That \$3.4 billion check for the next phase of the Second Ave. subway that Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg and Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer gave Hochul in East Harlem on Nov. 4 last year may have to be returned to Washington as New York cannot fulfill its part of the contract for the project.

But not to worry, as Hochul will lose and congestion pricing will happen.

Borderline gamble

As Congress wouldn't act (because Donald Trump told Republicans to abandon their own negotiated border deal) President Biden has issued a long-awaited executive proclamation. Asylum applications will be shut down once an average of 2,500 or more people over seven consecutive days claim asylum at the border, whether having crossed illegally or gone legally to a port of entry.

Given that this trigger was already reached before the start of the new rule on midnight Tuesday night, the ban will take effect and remain in place until the numbers come down, building on the groundwork of Trump-era asylum restrictions.

We didn't love the Senate deal that was painstakingly hashed out over much of the last year, but at least it was an attempt by bipartisan legislators to move the issue forwards after decades of inertness and punting regulation to the executive. Now we have the executive yet again stepping in, and Congress can't complain.

This is only one of the tools in Biden's executive toolbox, and he's only reaching for it because the federal government has stubbornly refused to use many of the others. Throughout this entire wave of arrivals, the White House had access to expansive refugee resettlement infrastructure, but chose not to redeploy it for asylum seekers.

Asylum seekers have their cases play out while they're in the United States, and may culminate in either permission to remain and, eventually, naturalize, or an order to leave the country. This limbo makes pols hesitant to provide too much support, lest it attract additional migrants or too successfully settle those who are on a path to removal anyway.

Yet the migrants have come anyway, leaving states and municipalities to pick up the slack; New York City has aided more than 200,000, with scant support from Albany and Washington. The White House refusal to act to soften the landing has done nothing to slow the flow and been a disaster politically, as voters blame the ensuing struggle to keep up on the president anyway.

In effect, Biden boxed himself in here, and while we can hardly fault him for reaching for a more top-shelf solution, which is popular with voters and our mayor and governor. But we shouldn't forget that this one has some significant possible problems.

It is true that not everyone qualifies for asylum, and it is true that many of the folks that have come in over the past two years will eventually be turned down, and so the efforts to fully resettle them can be seen as folly. But they're still going to be around for a number of years, and despite what some humanitarian immigration opponents might have you believe, there are some who are really facing persecution back home and who did indeed deserve to stay.

For this fiscal year so far, of more than 40,000 asylum decisions reached in immigration courts, just under half have been grants of asylum. The rates in NYC are much higher; of about 3,500 asylum decisions made this fiscal year, just under 3,000 have been asylum grants, meaning a judge found that the applicant had cause to show they qualified.

People intuitively want drastic actions for what are perceived to be drastic circumstances, but in this case we could be preemptively excluding 85% of qualified applicants in the state. We should find a better way, with Congress leading the charge.

Witness the actual abortion extremists

BE OUR GUEST

BY TIMOTHY CARDINAL DOLAN

Once again, a prominent political leader has maligned those of us who work hard to defend the most basic civil right — to life itself — of the preborn baby as "extremists."

Sadly, this is nothing new. We've been labeled as "right wingers," "retrogrades," "Neanderthals," and "deplorables;" we've been told we are not real New Yorkers, that the Empire State was no place for the likes of us and that we should move away. All this for asking simply that the rights of the tiny, fragile baby in the womb be given as much consideration as the rights of the mother.

It's a good time to ask just who the "extremists" really are.

The pro-abortion industry absolutely resists any attempts at reasoned compromises to the unfettered abortion license. Remember when we were told that abortion should be "safe, legal, and rare," that every abortion is a tragedy, and we need to find common ground to help mothers in need and thereby lower the number of abortions? Forget it! Those days are long gone.

Now, abortion supporters insist upon the unquestioned right to an abortion at any time, from conception to the very process of birth, for any reason or none-at-all; this ending of the baby's life to be paid for by the all of us through our taxes; doctors, nurses, and hospitals coerced into performing these grisly procedures, even if it tramples upon their consciences.

Agencies which exist to help women consider the alternative "choice" through care, counseling, accompaniment, and assistance during and after the birth of the infant are harassed and threatened with closure.

Reasoned compromise with the limitation of abortion to earlier months of pregnancy, common in European countries, is scorned, resented, and fought; mention of the rights of the biological dad and parents of minors is snickered at; more benevolent access to adoption of babies is ignored; even peaceful protesters at abortion mills are arrested and imprisoned.

These days, an abortion is not considered a tragedy. Rather, it is something to be celebrated! Women are encouraged to publicly and proudly proclaim that they have had an abortion, in an effort to make it something chic and trendy. Singers, actresses, and other popular icons brag about their abortions, claiming that they wouldn't have achieved stardom, success, and material wealth if they had carried a child at an "inconvenient" time.

They fail to even see that such proclamations, far from being statements of empowerment, are rather an indictment on our society, which has given them the message that a child is an obstacle to success, rather than a critical key to happiness and fulfillment.

Meet the real "extremists."

Are there some pro-life "extremists?" Sadly, yes. But they are a few, misguided, unhelpful, minuscule number.

However, within the pro-abortion industry, I fear the extremists are the majority, well-funded, backed by Hollywood, slick marketing, and the media. They have completely taken over one of our great political parties — ask loyal Democrat, Congressman Dan Lipinski of Chicago, tossed aside because he dared stand up for the baby — and have intimidated the other. Calm, sane reasoning and consideration of lifesaving alternatives are forbidden and maligned.

Right here in New York, I've spoken with Democratic politicians who tell me directly that they have left elected office because they felt they had become pariahs in their own party — politically homeless because they veer from party orthodoxy on a single issue — abortion on demand.

Such litmus testing — on either side — is tragic. Is it not better to listen to temperate voices expressing both views?

Demonization and name-calling by politicians — or anyone — is never productive. Debate by insult is de rigueur in American politics, and neither party has cornered the market on this trend. Call me a naïve optimist but I believe we can do better. I believe we can discuss difficult issues, such as when human life begins and whether or not all human life is worthy of the state's protection, without resorting to tropes and generalizations that put all of our opponents in the same box.

The problem is, it's a lot easier to resort to name calling when you are trying to defend a procedure that by definition always results in the death of an innocent human life.

We long for political leaders who try to protect the rights of all, who speak eloquently of the health of both the baby and the mom. Could not common ground be that we are all pro-baby, pro-mom, pro-life?

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BRAMHALL'S WORLD



America needs brave leaders like Jamaal Bowman

When I first met Jamaal Bowman in 2019, he was a longshot challenger running against a 30-year incumbent in Congress. At the time, the Green New Deal was considered a scary, lefty idea, and I was struck by how unapologetically this Bronx middle school principal laid out the case for both its sweeping vision and its real-world pragmatism.

Bowman had a rare gift for connecting the dots between the right to a habitable planet for all children and the right of local kids to have safe drinking water flowing in their school's fountains.

Voters elected Bowman in a landslide in 2020 to fight for this vision. And by working together with the millions of people who have taken democracy into their own hands in the years since the shock of the 2016 election, leaders like Bowman have made the Green New Deal mainstream.

Not just as an idea, but as law. Pushing through the largest ever investment in climate and clean energy infrastructure through the Inflation Reduction Act, which, however imperfect, has opened the door for further visionary policy to become reality. Bowman then played a key role in helping pass that kind of policy with his support for New York's Build

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BY NAOMI KLEIN

Public Renewables Act, hailed as the first state-level Green New Deal program.

Bold and effective policies pose a threat to entrenched economic interests, which is why Bowman is facing a fierce primary challenge. By any measure, George Latimer is the type of corporate-backed politician that progressives have sought to replace ever since Democrats failed to defeat Trump's pseudo-populism in 2016.

Latimer is heavily funded by the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, a rightwing lobby group tightly aligned with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, as well as with Donald Trump (the vast majority of AIPAC's top donors to these Democratic primary challengers are Republican supporting billionaires).

Yet Latimer knows better than to attack the Green New Deal directly. He calls for "Green New Deal style" projects. And while his reality-bending slogan, "results not rhetoric," tries to pit vision and victory against each other, his own messaging betrays the truth. If Jamaal Bowman's visionary message is such an obstacle to concrete victories, why is George Latimer mimicking it?

Last fall, shortly after the introduction of the congressional resolution for a ceasefire in Gaza, I met Congressman Bowman again, as part of a delegation of Jewish anti-war organizers. While representatives in much safer seats still feared speaking out against Netanyahu's U.S.-backed bloodshed, Bowman did not hesitate to lead once again, knowing full well that AIPAC would likely launch the most expensive congressional primary ever against him in retaliation.

Again, the public quickly joined Bowman. The majority of Americans, Democrats, and of American Jews now support a ceasefire. Sixty-nine percent of Democratic voters in Bowman's Bronx and Westchester district, do too.

History tells us that this is the power of bold leadership. From visionary civil rights leaders like Martin Luther King and Ella Baker, to courageous union leaders like Shawn Fain today, it is this coupling of vision with on the ground strategy that bends the arc of history towards justice.

It is worth remembering that in 2020, Joe Biden's MAGA-beating message was not "Build Back the Same" but, thanks to progressive pressure, to "Build Back Better." To the extent that any of his promises made it through the blockade erected by Joe Manchin and other so-called

moderates, it was thanks to combined the work of mass movements who demanded more, and political leaders like Bowman, who channeled the people's voice into the halls of power.

That power is what the far right most fears. That's why they fund attack ads attempting to cast Bowman's strategy on climate and infrastructure as ineffective by simply omitting the results that strategy has yielded.

Procrastination is not pragmatic, not when it comes to climate, or when it comes to peace. Without brave leadership that acknowledges the need for change, those suffering will turn to whoever *does* offer visionary answers. The far right. "Make America Great Again" is a hellish vision. But it is a vision. And when we cede vision to the far right, the far right seizes power.

So, we must stand for brave political leadership that can, has, and will turn a shared moral vision into concrete victory. The kind of vision so powerful, the far right will spend \$20 million in a single primary election to kick it out of Washington.

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Students deserve balanced teaching about Israel

Greenwich, Conn.: A May 29 op-ed by me and fellow Vassar College alums Lynn Benswanger, Melinda Maidens and Megan Tallmer ("Vassar College's president caved to Israel-hate") decried Vassar's caving to anti-Israel protesters whose encampment violated several college rules. Since then, President Elizabeth Bradley's appeasement has been rewarded with the militant disruption of reunion weekend. According to eyewitnesses, when some alumni protesters barged into a tent with a megaphone to harass and intimidate fellow alums, Bradley fled the stage, leaving the reunion attendees to fend for themselves.

The disruption was helped by at least one outside agitator who bragged about it on Instagram. And anti-Israel students previously had invited outside agitators to their encampment (in defiance of Vassar's assembly rules). Yet in her June 1 op-ed ("What happened at Vassar this spring"), Bradley portrays concerned alums like us as the "illiberal, external forces" striving to "split" the community and "dehumanize" the other. This gaslighting will not fool anyone who has paid attention to the campus and, in particular, how Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP) operates; its modus operandi is to refuse engagement with and to marginalize and ostracize those who oppose them.

In contrast, we are members of an alumni group that has spent a decade trying to peacefully persuade Vassar to have non-ideologues teach Israel-related issues in a fair and comprehensive way, to offer some programming featuring pro-Israel speakers (providing some balance to the constant stream of anti-Zionist ones), and to otherwise ensure an environment where students who feel connected to Israel are able to express that identity without fear.

Laurie Josephs



Vassar College's Thompson Library.

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Easy spending

Bronx: Why didn't Gov. Hochul do more careful consideration before all this money was spent on cameras? Or were there more kickbacks like the COVID test kits company that New York State paid three times as much for after contributing to her campaign?

Ross De Marco

Degraded service

Brooklyn: I wish to congratulate Gov. Hochul on her decision to indefinitely pause congestion pricing in New York City. There was never a more wrong-headed transit tolling initiative, and I am convinced that the only "transit advocates" disappointed by the move are in the bike lobby that promotes bike lanes, which decrease car mobility, eliminate free parking and create congestion in Midtown. The MTA is an overly subsidized agency that has become too soft to provide competitive transit service. If you have read the Savas report "Privatization for New York: Competing for a Better Future," you know that this toll money could never make MTA service better. The newest trains have 14 fewer seats per car. Clearly, the MTA planned to cram us together standing like sardines. Never truly concerned with customer service, the OMNY fare actually costs 17 cents more per ride than a 30-day unlimited MetroCard.

Paul Evans

Revenue review

Flushing: The \$1.4 billion paid in overtime to MTA employees would sure come in handy now. And where exactly does all the money go that is collected from NYC speed cameras and red light cameras?

Linda Castaldi

Bloated agency

Rockaway, N.J.: We keep reading about how the MTA can't function and do the necessary work without congestion pricing (drivers paying for the subway that many riders don't pay for). This is typical of a government-run business. Look at the post office mail and packages constantly delayed or lost. The post office loses millions of dollars annually, whereas UPS and FedEx make millions if not billions of dollars doing the same thing: delivering packages. Like President Ronald Reagan said, it's not that the government (MTA) doesn't have enough money — they have too much money! Our money! Make them earn it.

Michael Ilardi

How many hits?

Hackensack, N.J.: I can't see how Major League Baseball can declare that Josh Gibson has the highest career batting average. The most games he ever played in one year is 69 with 249 at-bats. First we were led to believe he hit 800 home runs, but it turns out he did not hit nearly that many. He would not have enough at-bats

to win even one batting title in a regular MLB season. What the committee did is a fake and a fraud and shows disrespect for their own statistics. However, this is not to say Gibson was not a great player, but let's be fair to the history of the statistics of the game.

Ted Zaremba

Plastic overload

Brooklyn: Currently, when New Yorkers make a purchase, the products come with lots of packaging — much of it single-use plastic. That packaging quickly becomes waste, polluting public spaces, clogging landfills or burning in incinerators. It's shocking to know that due to space constraints, NYC spent more than \$448 million in 2022 to truck trash out of the city. If we reduce the amount of plastic packaging, New York can spend less on trucking our waste somewhere else. Luckily, there is a solution: The Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act would reduce plastic packaging by 50% in 12 years, remove toxic chemicals from packaging and require companies to pay to clean up their packaging waste. The state Senate has passed it and now the Assembly must follow and have it signed into law.

Gail Tierney

Hard to believe

St. Petersburg, Fla.: To Voicer Ken Byrnes: I did not ask what branch of service Hillary Clinton served in. My letter asked what branch Biden and Clinton served in (assuming people would know which Clinton I was referring to). So, I'm asking you to tell me which branch they served in and while we're at it, let's

include Barack Obama also. What draft-dodging excuses did they come up with? As for Gen. John Kelly, do you really believe anyone would actually say that all service members are suckers and losers to a serviceman's face, much less a general? Are you serious?

Bill Barrett

Specifics, please

New Hyde Park, L.I.: What is the meaning of "Make America Great Again"? To my knowledge, Donald Trump has never articulated the what, when and why of this expression. I have asked Trump sympathizers to explain this slogan. The best response I have received is, "It's just a figure of speech." Since this expression is the central theme of Trump's platform, he or his advocates should provide a more thorough explanation. As loyal Republicans, they are obviously not praising any prior Democratic presidential administrations. Clearly, Dwight Eisenhower and Ronald Reagan are popular presidents. Bill Clinton and Barack Obama also served two terms and probably would have been elected for a third if the Constitution allowed it. Apparently, our citizens did not agree that Trump fulfilled his pledge. He lost by more than 7 million votes. I am asking Trump acolytes when is the "again" and why.

John Macklin

Sounds familiar

Brooklyn: If you missed Ronald Reagan's inspirational speech at Normandy Beach 40 years ago, you just got to hear it again, uttered by the fragile Plagiarist-in-Chief, President Biden. Is there an original thought that can be uttered by

this feeble octogenarian? Not recent thoughts, mind you — we know he has none of his own, outside of his old-man yelling while hopped up on Adderall. Did his speechwriters think no one would notice? Or was their target audience those who were not alive when Reagan gave his speech? Footnotes, Joe, footnotes!

David DiBello

Good recall

Central Islip, L.I.: President Biden said he wouldn't pardon Hunter Biden. Gee, the president remembers he has a son?

Thomas Sarc

Cheapened faith

Itasca, Ill.: Phil Hartman, the late comedian, once played Jesus Christ in a 1993 "Saturday Night Live" skit. A young mother played by Sally Fields is constantly praying for her daughter's safe trip to the school bus stop when Hartman's Jesus magically appears before the astonished mom. Jesus patiently explains that perhaps she could cut back on the "please don't let the rice get sticky" type prayers. I wonder if the real Jesus ever feels that way. We seem to be getting a little silly about godly things. I've heard professional boxers praise God for the talent to knock their opponent senseless. Colorado Rep. Lauren Boebert offered that Jesus wouldn't have been crucified if he had an AR-15. Finally, a presidential candidate is selling his own Bible and the U.S. Constitution all in one. Some clergy and politicians aren't fond of separation of church and state. Is it now fine for them to speak for the rest of us?

Jim Newton

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This is a much more holistic way of assessing how you're doing financially, as it deducts for debt and increases for savings. For instance, making \$200,000 a year isn't all that impressive if you're saddled with a six-figure student loan, massive mortgage, or credit card debts.

To use net worth as a personal measurement tool, simply create a chart or spreadsheet that lists the value of all your financial accounts and assets, then lists every debt you owe, and then subtracts debts from assets. This result is your net worth on that date.

From there, just create a new column for the next time period, edit the inputs as they stand then, and see how your net worth has changed. To keep yourself on track, simply repeat this process at least once a year, but ideally every quarter.

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'Backdoor Roth' IRAs have advantages and drawbacks

BY ELLIOT RAPHAELSON
TRIBUNE CONTENT AGENCY

One of the positive features of the SECURE Act, passed in 2019, was that it eliminated the restriction that if you had reached age 70½, you could no longer make IRA contributions.

So, if you have earned income in 2024, you can contribute to a deductible IRA, as long as your income levels are below \$77,000 as an individual and \$123,000 for joint filers. In 2024, if your income was less than \$146,000 as an individual or \$230,000 for a joint return, you are now allowed to make a Roth contribution as long as you have earned income. If you are retired and older than 70½, it makes sense to make an IRA contribution if you are in a position to save some or all of your earned income.

If your income is higher than \$146,000 as a single filer, or more than \$230,000 for joint filers, regardless of your age, you can use what is known as a "backdoor Roth" contribution. You are essentially making a nondeductible traditional IRA contribution and making a Roth conversion in the

same year.

There is no current tax deduction associated with a nondeductible IRA contribution, and contributions are not taxable when withdrawn. There is no limit regarding the yearly contribution you can make to a nondeductible IRA.

However, there are potential pitfalls you should be aware of. The potential problems with the backdoor option are that you could be facing unexpected tax bills right away; and record-keeping problems that could last for several years, even decades.

Step one: The limit for the contribution in 2024 is \$7,000, or \$8,000 if you are 50 or older. You can also make a contribution for your spouse, even if she/he has no earned earnings. You must file IRS Form 8606.

Step two: You now transfer the funds in the nondeductible IRA into a new or existing Roth IRA. It is generally recommended that you wait a month before conversion.

If you hold deductible and nondeductible funds in your IRA, then withdrawals are deemed to come on a "pro-rata" basis. For example, assume that the total amount

of the nondeductible contribution was 10% of the total account balance. In this situation, 10% of the conversion would be nontaxable, but 90% of the conversion would be taxable.

Future withdrawals would be on a pro-rata basis as well, whether they were for a conversion or not. According to IRA expert Ed Slott, the record-keeping is a life sentence unless you convert all your accounts to a Roth IRA. If you don't have an IRA account with deductible contributions, using a backdoor IRA won't create a pro-rata problem. You would have the same pro-rata problem if you had an IRA account with deductible IRA contributions with a different custodian.

If you have a small traditional IRA account and you convert all of the holdings into a Roth account, then you could utilize the backdoor option without the pro-rata record-keeping headache.

If you have an existing 401(k) account, you could roll over your traditional IRA account into your 401(k) account, if your plan allows this option. If you have an HSA account, you could use the allowable

"one-time" rollover of traditional IRA accounts into your HSA account. However, there are restrictions regarding the amount allowed. The amount you convert would reduce the annual contribution you could make to your HSA account.

Bottom line: Even if you have reached 70½, you are allowed to make traditional IRA contributions and Roth contributions if you have earned income. You can make those contributions for your spouse even if she/he has no earned income.

If your income is too high to make a Roth contribution, you can use the backdoor IRA option, making a nondeductible IRA contribution and converting to Roth the same year. But if you have traditional IRA accounts outstanding with any custodian, the backdoor option can create unexpected tax consequences and paperwork nightmares. Don't use this option if you intend to maintain traditional deductible IRA accounts.

Elliot Raphaelson welcomes your questions and comments at rapphelliott@gmail.com.



GREAT QUESTION

Asking is still the quickest way to acquire important information and tap into the ideas and insights of the people around you

BY STEPHANIE VOZZA
FAST COMPANY

What you don't know can hinder your potential and growth. Unfortunately, it creates a paradox because you don't know what you don't know. The quickest way to learn new information is to tap into the ideas and insights of the people around you, but people often don't ask enough questions, says Jeff Wetzler, author of "Ask: Tap into the Hidden Wisdom of People Around You for Unexpected Breakthroughs in Leadership and Life."

"The biggest reason is because we don't realize the question that needs to be asked in the first place," he says. "We size up situations so quickly and jump to conclusions. We feel that those conclusions are reality, and it doesn't occur to us there is something we don't know. If you feel certain about something, it's logical that you wouldn't ask questions."

Another reason people hold back from asking a question is that they overestimate how the other person is going to feel about being asked, Wetzler says. "We think the other person is not going to want to be put on the spot, but research shows that people actually appreciate being asked questions to express who they are and what they're going through."

HIGH-QUALITY QUESTIONS

Few people are taught how to ask good questions. As a result, we often have a relatively narrow repertoire of questions, most of which won't enable us to learn

something important.

Instead, Wetzler recommends asking high-quality questions, which signal curiosity.

"It's not enough to inject new questions into your vocabulary if you're not genuinely curious," he says. "Quality questions are clear and direct. They're not trying to use a question to disguise a suggestion or a piece of advice."

A quality question also creates mutual benefit. "They're not just for the benefit of the asker but actually benefit the person being asked. It helps them to express themselves, clarify their thinking and really engage in relationships."

QUESTION-ASKING STRATEGIES

One of the strategies for asking a high-quality question is what Wetzler calls "request reactions." The asker says "Here's what I would like to do" or "Here's my suggestion" and then says "What are your reactions to that?" or "How does that land with you?" or "What might I be missing?"

"You're requesting reactions from someone," Wetzler says. "The reason it's so powerful is that often when we express what we think to somebody else, we assume if they have a reaction — positive or negative — that they're going to tell us. If they don't, we assume that they must have agreed."

But that's not always true. For a variety of reasons, people often don't feel safe sharing real reactions. If you pose the question, however, it radically increases the chances that you will understand what they have to say.

Another technique is what Wetzler calls the "clear-up confusion strategy." When someone makes a statement, you may think you know what they mean. Sometimes, though, you don't. Wetzler suggests asking "When you said X, what did you mean by that?" or "How would you define X?"

"So many conversations would go so much better if we just took the time to clarify," he says.

A third strategy is what Wetzler calls "callback and test." Before you react to what someone says, paraphrase what you heard back to them. For example, "Here's what I think I heard you say. Did I get that right?"

"When I do this, at least 50% of the time the other person says 'Well, you kind of got it, but that's not exactly what I meant,'" says Wetzler. "Or 'Yes, you got it. But there's another thing I forgot to say.'"

The callback and test strategy not only helps you get more information, it slows down the conversation, which can be helpful if things are getting tense. It sends a message to the other person that you care and want to understand what they have to say because you've taken the time to put it in your own words, Wetzler says.

MAKING IT SAFE

It's also important to make answering truthfully safe for the person being asked. This is done by lowering the barriers so it's more comfortable and appealing for someone to tell you the truth.

For example, if you're a CEO, don't invite someone into your office, sit across your desk from them and assume that

they're going to feel comfortable. "Go to where they are," Wetzler says. "Eat lunch with them. Ride in the car together. Take a walk. Go wherever they're going to feel most comfortable."

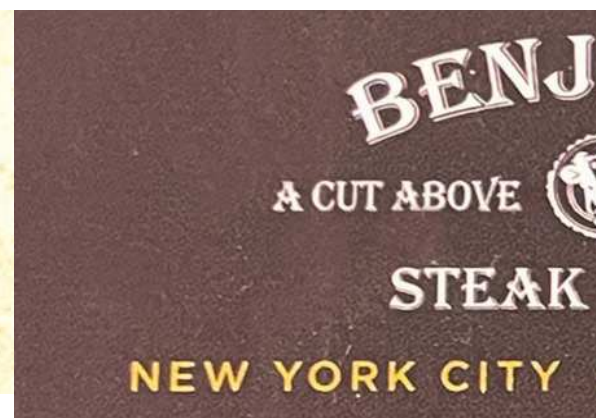
Make it clear why you're asking the question, so the other person doesn't have to guess your agenda. And radiate resilience, letting the person know that you can handle their truth. Wetzler says it's important to be clear that you won't get defensive or take it out on them. For example, create safety by saying: "Listen, if I were in your shoes, I would probably feel very frustrated right now. If that's what you're going through, I would love to hear about it."

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Question-asking is like any other skill. It takes practice, but the benefits are worth it. Start by becoming aware that you're probably not naturally doing it. Wetzler recommends recording conversations and looking at the transcripts. Compare how many questions you ask to how many statements you make.

"It's often shocking," he says. "People are often surprised that they asked no questions, or one question that was more like an attack question."

Then make a conscious effort to try high-quality question techniques. "As you practice more and more, and you see what works and what doesn't," Wetzler says. "Over time, it becomes second nature. You start to push aside thoughts like 'Do I look good at this conversation?' and center on the intention of 'What can I learn from this person?'"



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Lahmajoun is a flatbread topped with spiced ground lamb, tomatoes and bell pepper. MILK STREET



Satisfy parents with this family-friendly dinner

BY CHRISTOPHER KIMBALL
FOR ASSOCIATED PRESS

In Turkey, Armenia and the Levant, a meat-topped flatbread known as lahmajoun comes with spiced ground lamb, tomatoes and bell pepper. With the dough stretched paper-thin, diners typically drizzle the popular dish with lemon juice and roll it up to eat.

We were in Istanbul when we came across this tasty, social dish, which fills a similar place in the culture as pizza in many other places, with equally exacting standards for what makes a good lahmajoun.

The toppings are chopped coarsely for a rustic texture, the dough is expertly stretched by hand, and the flatbread cooks in minutes in a roaring-hot oven.

Though delicious, authentic lahmajoun is out of reach for kids trying to do something nice for their parents.

That's why we created this recipe for our book "Cook What You Have," which draws on pantry staples to assemble easy, weeknight meals. Kids can help out, though the recipe does involve a food processor and a very hot oven.

We swap the usual homemade flatbread dough for store-bought pita breads. Simply combine the meat mixture in a food processor and spread onto the pita, then bake it in a hot oven. Either ground lamb or beef will taste great with a mixture of paprika, cumin and red pepper flakes.

Served with lemon wedges on the side, it evokes the real thing while finishing in about half an hour.

When processing the meat mixture, don't overdo it or the meat may become tough. Pulse a few times, just until combined. If you like, finish the dish with a sprinkling of fresh herbs and a drizzle of cooling yogurt to complement the spiced meat.

WEEKNIGHT LAHMAJOUN

Makes: Four 8-inch flatbreads

Total time: 30 minutes

Four 8-inch pita breads

1 small red or yellow onion, roughly chopped

¼ cup roasted red peppers, drained and patted dry

2 tablespoons tomato paste

2 teaspoons smoked paprika

1½ teaspoons ground cumin

¾ teaspoon red pepper flakes

Kosher salt and ground black pepper

8 ounces ground beef or ground lamb

1. Heat the oven to 500 degrees with racks in the upper- and lower-middle positions. Arrange the pita breads on 2 rimmed baking sheets; set aside.

2. In a food processor, pulse the onion

until finely chopped, about 5 pulses.

Add the roasted peppers, tomato paste, paprika, cumin, pepper flakes, ½ teaspoon salt and 1 teaspoon black pepper. Process until smooth, about 10 seconds, scraping the bowl as needed. Add the beef and pulse just until incorporated, 3 or 4 pulses.

3. Divide the beef mixture evenly among the pitas (about a scant ½ cup each) and spread over the rounds, leaving a ½-inch border around the edge. Bake until the pitas are golden brown on the edges and the meat is sizzling, switching and rotating the baking sheets halfway through, 8 to 10 minutes. Cool for a few minutes, then transfer to a cutting board and cut into wedges.

Optional garnish: Chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley, whole-milk yogurt, lemon wedges, fresh mint or a combination



Ground venison makes a deliciously rich, yet lean, out-of-the-ordinary burger. JEANMARIE BROWNSON/TNS

Feasting fit for family

BY JEANMARIE BROWNSON
TRIBUNE CONTENT AGENCY

Love. We use the word freely in this country. We love sunny days, we love hanging with our friends, we love baseball, we love burgers and fries. Many of us love the family in our lives, too.

Let's put that love on the grill this summer. I say we hang with friends, watch some baseball and cook spicy double burgers with lots of cheese in honor of our family near and far.

First, we're taking a cue from our favorite burger stand and spreading toasted buns with a spicy cheese spread. It's simple: mash sharp cheddar and soft cream cheese together with hot sauce and roasted red peppers. A rich mushroom and onion saute, seasoned with a bit of steak

sauce, adds luxurious flavor and texture.

Ground venison makes a deliciously rich yet lean burger. You can order it online or find it at specialty meat markets. If you're feeling hesitant about a gamey flavor, you can mix it 50-50 with lean ground beef. Venison, like beef, will be most juicy when cooked to medium or medium-rare. I prefer to use ground turkey for guests that request a well-cooked burger.

Thin burgers cook quickly, so be sure everything is ready before you set them on the grill. Have a helper to assemble the double burgers as soon as they are cooked.

Serve the burgers with potato salad or homemade sweet potato fries and a leafy green salad dressed with fruity olive oil and red wine vinegar. The fathers in my life would be super happy with ice cream sundaes topped with hot caramel sauce for dessert. Happy to oblige.

DOUBLE BURGERS WITH SPICY CHEESE, MUSHROOMS AND ONIONS

Makes: 4 burgers

1 cup mesquite or hickory wood chips
½ of an 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese
¼ cup finely chopped roasted red bell peppers
2 green onions, trimmed, thinly sliced
½ teaspoon red pepper hot sauce
1 tablespoon olive oil
½ large red onion, peeled, sliced into ½-inch-thick rounds
½ pound thinly sliced mushrooms
2 tablespoons steak sauce (or 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce and 1 tablespoon ketchup)
Salt, freshly ground pepper to taste
1 ½ pounds ground venison or ground beef (90 lean/10 fat) or a combination
¾ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon each: garlic powder,

freshly ground black pepper

4 slices leaf lettuce
4 thin slices from a large ripe tomato
4 whole-grain or brioche burger buns, split

1. Soak wood chips in water to cover for at least 30 minutes.

2. Mix cream cheese, cheddar cheese, roasted peppers, green onions and hot sauce in a small bowl until thoroughly combined. Refrigerate covered, up to three days. Use at room temperature.

3. Heat a large nonstick or cast-iron skillet over medium heat. Add oil and onion. Cook, stirring until onion is nicely browned, about 4 minutes. Add mushrooms and cook until golden, about 5 minutes. Stir in steak sauce, salt and pepper; remove from heat. Refrigerate covered, up to three days. Reheat so it's warm for the burgers.

4. Put ground meat, ¾ teaspoon salt, garlic powder and pepper into a medium-size bowl. Use clean hands to mix gently to distribute all ingredients well. Shape into 8 (3-ounces each) burger patties about 4 ½ inches in diameter and ½-inch thick. Refrigerate

on a tray while you prepare the grill and garnishes.

5. Heat a gas grill to medium hot. Or prepare a charcoal grill for direct cooking and let coals burn until covered with a gray ash. Drain wood chips and add them to a piece of foil to set on the gas grill or put them directly on the hot coals if cooking with charcoal.

6. Set the cheese mixture, onion mixture, lettuce and tomato near the cooking area.

7. Set the buns on the grill, cut-side down, to lightly toast them, about 30 seconds. Use a dull knife to spread the cheese mixture thickly over the toasted buns. Put the tomato slices on the bottom buns. Set aside.

8. Put the burgers on the grill directly over the heat source. Cover the grill and cook 3 minutes. Flip the burgers, press them flat and cook covered until medium-rare, about 2 minutes more. Remove burgers to a tray.

9. Pile 2 burgers on each of bun bottoms. Top with some onion mixture and a lettuce leaf. Put the top bun in place and serve right away.

Salmon packed with flavor

BY AMY RIOLO | EATINGWELL

Lemon, garlic and herbs make a simple, flavorful marinade for fish souvlaki. The yogurt-based tzatziki sauce and green beans complete this healthy dinner recipe, which is as suited to entertaining as it is to family meals.

SALMON SOUVLAKI WITH TZATZIKI AND GREEN BEANS

Makes: 4 servings

Active time: 20 minutes

Total time: 1 hour

½ cup lemon juice
5 tablespoons minced garlic, divided (about 10 cloves)
5 tablespoons chopped fresh Italian parsley, divided
4 tablespoons chopped fresh oregano or 4 teaspoons dried
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
1 teaspoon salt, divided
½ teaspoon ground pepper, divided
1 pound skinless salmon fillet, cut into 1-inch cubes
1 ½ cups low-fat plain Greek yogurt
1 English cucumber, grated (¾ cup)
4 tablespoons chopped fresh dill, divided
1 small yellow onion, diced (¾ cup)
1 (15-ounce) can no-salt-added diced tomatoes
1 pound thin green beans (French-style/haricots verts), trimmed

1. Combine lemon juice, 2 tablespoons garlic, 4 tablespoons parsley, oregano, 1 tablespoon oil and ¼ teaspoon each salt and pepper in a large shallow dish. Add salmon; toss gently to coat. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, combine yogurt and cucumber in a medium bowl. Stir in 2 tablespoons dill, 1 tablespoon garlic and ¼ teaspoon salt. Refrigerate the tzatziki until ready to serve.

3. Heat the remaining 1 tablespoon oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add onion; cook, stirring often, until translucent, 3 to 5 minutes. Stir in the remaining 2 tablespoons garlic; cook for 1 minute. Stir in tomatoes and the remaining 2 tablespoons dill, ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Bring to a boil over high heat. Add green beans and stir to coat. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer until the beans are tender, 10 to 15 minutes. Remove from heat and set aside, covered.

4. Heat grill to medium-high.

5. Remove salmon from marinade; scrape off any excess marinade. Carefully thread the fish onto 4 metal or wooden skewers.

6. Oil the grill rack. Grill the skewers until seared on the bottom, 2 to 3 minutes. Use potholders or oven mitts to turn the skewers over. Continue grilling, turning the skewers as needed, until the salmon is opaque in the center, 5 to 7 minutes total.

7. Transfer the green beans to a serving platter and sprinkle with the remaining 1 tablespoon parsley. Serve with the salmon and the tzatziki.

Tasty tips: Clean grill rack well before grilling to prevent fish from sticking. To oil grill rack, soak a paper towel with vegetable oil, hold it with tongs and rub it over the grates. (Do not use cooking spray on a hot grill.)



This healthy salmon dish, served with tzatziki sauce, is perfect for a family dinner or a small gathering. TNS

Creamy lemon aioli adds some zing to pasta salad

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With Memorial Day in the rearview mirror, it's officially time to move meals outdoors. It's hot in front of your stove, and don't you want to enjoy the sunshine or a summer sunset?

Pasta salads are ideal for deck and porch dining because you don't have to heat them up. They also come together in no time and make excellent leftover lunches.

This recipe can be adapted to personal tastes in so many ways. If you don't like arugula,

substitute finely cut baby spinach, shredded kale or a handful of fresh basil. Roma or cherry tomatoes can stand in for sun-dried. Trade the lemon aioli for a tangy balsamic vinaigrette. Garnish with some olives or your favorite chopped herbs. Anything goes!

I used busiate Trapanesi, a long twisted pasta from Sicily, because it is pretty and just feels fancy. Easier-to-find options include rotini, farfalle, fusilli or tube pastas like penne.

Like all good summer salads, this one can be served at room temperature or chilled, with some crusty Italian bread for scooping up the dressing.

PASTA SALAD WITH CHICKEN AND SUN-DRIED TOMATO

Makes: 4 servings

½ pound spiral pasta, such as fusilli or busiate

1 ½ to 2 cups shredded rotisserie chicken

2 large handfuls baby arugula (about 2 cups)

⅓ cup chopped sun-dried tomatoes in oil, or more or less to taste

¼ to ½ cup creamy lemon dressing (see recipe)

½ cup shredded fresh mozzarella

1. For the dressing: Whisk together ½ cup plain yogurt, 2 tablespoons

mayonnaise, juice and zest of 1 lemon, 1 minced garlic clove and 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Can keep in the refrigerator for up to 3 days.

2. Bring a large pot of water to a boil for the pasta. When it's boiling, add a few generous pinches of salt and add the pasta. Cook until al dente, according to package instructions (12 minutes for busiate). Drain pasta and place in a large serving bowl.

3. Add chicken, arugula, sun-dried tomatoes and mozzarella to bowl, and toss gently to combine.

4. Add lemon dressing, a little at a time, until desired finish. Mix one last time.



Serve this summer salad at room temperature or chilled. It comes together in no time.

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Freshly ground coffee offers a more robust and nuanced flavor to the meat's crust. JOE LINGEMAN/TNS

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In need of a new steak dinner recipe? Look no further than your morning cuppa for inspiration. That's right: This steak's spice rub starts with ground coffee beans and is balanced by the sweet molasses flavor of brown sugar and earthy

ground coriander.

When the steak hits the high heat of the pan (or the grill), the aroma of the beans awakens, deepening their robust roasted flavor and creating a crave-worthy caramelized crust. Try it on any cut of steak, from skirt to ribeye.

Because freshly ground coffee offers a more robust and nuanced flavor than pre-ground beans, you'll want

to start with whole beans for this rub.

Grind the coffee evenly and finely to the consistency of ground spices — a burr grinder works the best, but a blade grinder is suitable, too.

The flavor of pre-ground coffee isn't as vibrant, but it's often the right consistency (depending on the brand). If you choose to go the pre-ground route, make sure the bag is fresh.

COFFEE-RUBBED STEAK

Makes: 2 to 4 servings

1 tablespoon finely ground coffee beans

1 ½ teaspoons packed dark brown sugar

1 teaspoon kosher salt

½ teaspoon onion powder

½ teaspoon ground coriander

¼ teaspoon garlic powder

2 (1- to 1 ½-inch-thick) New York strip steaks (about 12 ounces each)

2 teaspoons canola oil, divided

1. Combine 1 tablespoon finely ground coffee beans, 1 ½ teaspoons packed dark brown sugar, 1 teaspoon kosher salt, ½ teaspoon onion powder, ½ teaspoon ground coriander and ¼ teaspoon garlic powder in small bowl.

2. Rub the steaks all over with the coffee-spice rub, making sure to season the edges and the sides. Place on a plate and set aside at room temperature for at least 15 minutes or refrigerate uncovered for several hours or up to overnight.

COOKING OPTION 1: GRILLING

1. Heat an outdoor grill to medium-high, direct heat. Scrape the grill grates clean if needed. Brush each steak with 1 teaspoon canola oil.

2. Place the steaks on the grill, cover and grill until grill marks form on the bottom, 3 to 4 minutes. Flip steaks, cover and grill until grill marks form on second side, 3 to 4 minutes.

3. Flip the steaks again and continue to grill until desired doneness, about 2 minutes for 130 to 135 degrees for medium-rare. If the steaks are browning too quickly, turn a gas grill down to medium or move the steaks to a cooler part of a charcoal grill.

COOKING OPTION 2: STOVETOP

1. Heat a 12-inch cast-iron skillet over medium-high heat until very hot and almost smoking, 4 to 5 minutes. Carefully place the steaks in the hot pan and cook on the first side until enough of a crust has developed that the steaks no longer stick to the pan, about 1 minute.

2. Flip and cook on the other side for 1 minute. Continue cooking and flipping for a total of 6 to 8 minutes for 130 to 135 degrees for medium-rare.

TO SERVE

1. Transfer the steaks to a clean cutting board and let rest for 5 minutes. Slice the steak on a diagonal into ¼-inch-thick slices.

Note: Use an instant-read thermometer to determine when your steaks are cooked to your liking: 125 degrees for rare, 130 to 135 degrees for medium-rare, or 140 degrees for medium.

'We Are Lady Parts' creator in her 'villain era'

Manzoor trusted her instincts for Season 2 of acclaimed comedy

BY LORRAINE ALI
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There's only one comedy series that could successfully pair punk rock rebellion with Pakistani education activist and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Malala Yousafzai and manage to come out on top.

"We Are Lady Parts," the irreverent British comedy about an all-girl Muslim punk rock band, continues to pit the sacred against the profane with a new season and songs such as "Malala Made Me Do It."

"Nobel Prize at 17/ The baddest (expletive) you've ever seen," sing Lady Parts in their first cowpunk-themed number, proving once again that hijabs and hardcore are not mutually exclusive.

Created, written and directed by Nida Manzoor, Season 2 of the half-hour comedy, now streaming on Peacock, follows the trajectory of five Muslim women from vastly different backgrounds who unite under the banner of raucous rebellion. They are modest microbiologist and shredding lead guitarist Amina (Anjana Vasan), tattooed halal butcher and commanding singer Saira (Sarah Kameela Impey), aspiring graphic novelist and bassist Bisma (Faith Omole) and perpetually furious Iraqi drummer Ayesha (Juliette Motamed). Vaping niqabi Momtaz (Lucie Shorthouse) manages the band.

It's hard to compete with Season 1's fiercely unique hilarity, when the fledgling band voiced their truth in original songs such as "Bashir With the Good Beard," "Voldemort Under My Headscarf" and "Ain't No One Gonna Honour Kill My Sister But Me."

But Lady Parts does just that with its sophomore season. Viewers catch up with the band after a rewarding U.K. tour where they amassed a respectable "human not Russian bot" following. Now they're poised to record their first full album with the legendary rock producer Dirty Mahmood. But nothing comes easy for the band that plays and prays together.

This interview with Manzoor has been edited for clarity and length.

Q: Season 1 of "We Are Lady Parts" was unlike anything else when it dropped in 2021. It tackled Muslim taboos and poked fun at colonial tropes about Islam inside of a "Spinal Tap"-inspired series. It has since amassed critical acclaim, multiple awards and an avid fan base. How do you deliver a second act?

A: Like how do I top what we've already done? With Season 1, we'd done the hard work of setting the tone, setting up the characters and their world, so (with Season 2) I got to go deeper into these different characters. When I really started thinking about their stories, I became excited, and the pressure just sort of washed away. I trusted myself more, trusted my instincts. I also trusted my team and I knew what my cast could do,



Nida Manzoor attends a May 22 screening of "We Are Lady Parts" Season 2 in Los Angeles. TOMMASO BODDI/GETTY

so I can write for them. I wondered if doing a second season might feel like I'm backtracking in my career, but it actually enabled me to level up because I was more confident.

Q: The real Malala Yousafzai appears in Season 2, in the Lady Parts' video for "Malala Made Me Do It." It's perfection. How did you get her to do the show?

A: I'd heard Malala talking about her love of comedy, and she had such a dark sense of humor. She's so witty. I thought, "This woman loves comedy, so maybe I have a chance." Essentially I wrote her this letter asking if she'd be in the show. I was scared to reach out because if she says no, I have to live with the fact that Malala said no. But she loves "Lady Parts." She said something like, "It's epic, and I could watch 100 more episodes of the show." I asked, "Will you sit atop a horse?" She said sure, she'd do it. She was so chill (on set) and so full of calm, making everyone feel relaxed. It's like, this woman is a queen.

Q: This season there's a new femme-powered Muslim group that's nipping at the band's heels. Lady Parts aren't all that threatened until they see the young trio's name: Second Wife. It's wicked funny, and like so many moments in "Lady Parts," it uses biting humor to unpack an uncomfortable truth.

A: If you're from a minority background, the industry can make you feel like there's only one spot for one of you. In film and television, I don't get into a writers' room if the other South Asian writer (is hired). I felt so lucky in my writers' room. We were breaking out of that mentality and realizing that we can bring each other up. We're a group from different backgrounds, different points of view, different sexuality. Traditionally, we'd be going up for the same sort of positions, but here, we're together. We were exploring (that traditional dynamic) because it's real, it resonates. But it was also really fun to challenge Lady Parts, to shake them with this competent, younger group. I wanted Season 2 to feel like it's matured. These are women who are in their late 20s, going into their 30s. It's not an early 20s, coming-of-age sort of thing. It's a different kind of coming of age. I wanted to push it to that.

Q: Amina, the Don McLean-loving people pleaser of the bunch, is now in what she calls her "villain era." She's now doing things on her own terms, her own way. No more bending to the will of others.

A: I think I'm in my villain era (laughs). I made the show I want to make. With Season 1, I was so riddled with self-doubt and anxiety about coming out to the world and their reaction. Now I've freed myself and am not as worried about how people

are going to respond.

Q: Yet Season 1 of "We Are Lady Parts" still felt really bold and fearless.

A: When I came up with the idea, I was really pushing back against all the Muslim stereotypes foisted upon me, like "Can you write a thing about honor killings?" So I created something that lent into my skills, which is comedy and music. And then I went into the different complexities and nuances of what it means to be a Muslim woman.

Q: The show now has won a Peabody and BAFTA for best comedy writing. Given its popularity and the subject matter, it's surprising there hasn't been more blowback aside from a small ripple around the pilot episode.

A: When we say blowback, it was probably like 20 people. But when you're online, it amplifies things. It was the first time I'd experienced that. It made me realize I was still struggling with not wanting to upset the apple cart. I felt like I was being a bad girl. But it made me reflect like, "Wait a second, who am I trying to please here?" The experience freed me because I realized I couldn't please everyone. There's so many different ways of being. We need more voices and points of view that show different ways of being a Muslim person. I can only tell my specific truth. We're not a monolith. I can't win with everyone, so I might as well win with myself.



Franka Potente stars in "Run Lola Run." The film is returning to theaters to mark its 25th anniversary. SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

Tykwer never imagined 'voyage' film would take

Director, star recall whirlwind frenzy of 'Run Lola Run'

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Lola's red hair might have been a mistake. Not the color, mind you. Franka Potente's electric locks in "Run Lola Run" are as intrinsic to the adrenaline rush of her sprint through Berlin as the film's heart-racing electronic score. Given the choice now, however, Potente would say no to bleaching her hair three times in one day.

Still, regrets are few about the film and the whirlwind frenzy of its life-changing success. And when you're 22 and making an experimental indie with like-minded, convention-defying peers, hair damage is not top of mind. It was just part of the reckless fun of making this wild film about a woman who has 20 minutes to try to collect 100,000 Deutschmarks to save her boyfriend's life.

For its 25th anniversary, Sony Pictures Classics has sent a beautiful 4K restoration of "Run Lola Run" to theaters nationwide. Filmmaker Tom Tykwer even got to fix some of the tiny problems that have bothered him over the years.

"It's now the pristine and super nice 'perfect' version of a still beautifully imperfect movie," he said.

This interview with Potente and Tykwer has been edited for clarity and length.

Q: This is embarrassing, but I kind of became aware of the movie because I saw a photo of Natalie Portman dressed as Lola at a Halloween Party.

Potente: She told me that she did that! I was like, oh my god. Tom has stories like that too. Even today these cool little things surface. Didn't Gregory Peck's widow say that Gregory Peck saw and loved "Run Lola Run" before he passed? Those were moments ...

Tykwer: I remember we were already shooting "The Princess and the Warrior," and we were in a hotel in Wuppertal, Germany, and sleeping and the reception calls and says, "I have Dustin Hoffman on the phone." I'm like, "Ha ha ha, I'm sleeping." It was the middle of the night, and he had just seen the movie and was completely flipping out, like "I want to be in your next movie." I said, "We're already shooting." And he's like "Where are you? I'm coming." "But it's German language." "I don't care."

P: Six months later, he was in Berlin, and I drove him around in my car that had tons of cigarette butts and trash, and he loved it. He was like oh my god this is an adventure, like with these little punks. I was driving a Saab 900, so many cigarette butts and Red Bull cans.

T: I made a movie with him seven years later ("Perfume: The Story of a Murderer").

Q: Lola has been so referenced in pop culture, a Bon Jovi music video, an episode of the children's show "Phineas and Ferb." Have you seen many? Do you have a favorite?

T: "The Simpsons" one is great. It was funny because no one ever asked, and I suddenly saw it watching television. I

was like, you even took our music. It was probably better than any awards we could have ever got. Now forever we are in "The Simpsons."

I've actually even been in talks about a TV series. If the concept is interesting, why not do it? Either it reminds people of how good our film is or people will be like, "That's a good variation." Quoting and remaking and rethinking and reinventing is also what I do as a filmmaker. So, I like it. Even if it fails, I like it.

Q: What's it like watching it on the big screen again?

T: I never watch my movies again. Once they're done, I'm done. The most incredible thing about it is that for any film that you make, there comes a time when you suddenly are really able to watch it as the audience and not as the person that was there all the time. It's emancipated from you. I'm just older. I'm not the guy anymore who made this film. And I watched it as if I was the audience. It's so nice. I so enjoyed Franka, who's so energetically enigmatic and, in this new transfer, glowing in a way.

Q: Where do you think "Run Lola Run" fits in cinematic history?

T: In the end of the '90s, there were some quite important films, and I'm happy to say maybe we were one of them. There was stuff like "The Matrix" and a movie like "Man on the Moon," this really great, strange film that Miloš Forman did with Jim Carrey.

At the time, at the turn of the millennium, filmmaking strategy went through a renewal, and I think we were a tiny part of this. The reinvention of television, I think it was ignited by cinema and by the new

ways of storytelling. We're just one — not irrelevant — spark in there.

Q: What was the frenzy like around the time of its release?

P: It's comparable to, in my mind, what a musician's life might be like — like a rock star or a stereotyped idea of what that would be like. And that's what it was like for probably a year or two. By the time we got an MTV Award, I was like, I'm done. I'm not even going. I didn't even go and pick it up. I couldn't. It was just I was like, I'm going to be on the couch. It's crazy. Why didn't I go? I should have gone.

Q: Were you surprised that it caught on like it did?

T: You have to remember it was a small, super independently financed film. It got lots of head-scratching from those people who brought money in, like, "It starts three times, that doesn't make a movie." One of the things I loved was that it seemed like an action movie, but with a strong emotional center and quite a lot of structural and philosophical substance underneath. I thought you can bring all this together in a movie. It's why I was mentioning "The Matrix," which was like the big scale sibling to us. That's how we all got to know each other, we both reached out and were like, "Who are you and what are you trying?" That's what the energy was.

We never imagined the voyage the movie would take. It was a nerdy, quirky movie that we only made because we loved making it. We were really innocent kids. Maybe that's part of the beauty and the energy of the film, and why it's so delightful. I could never do it now. I'm not that person anymore unfortunately.

'Mommy, I'm in pain every single day'

Patient is first in world to try FDA-approved gene therapy for sickle cell

BY GINA KOLATA
THE NEW YORK TIMES

In May, 12-year-old Kendric Cromer, from a suburb of Washington, D.C., became the first person in the world with sickle cell disease to begin a commercially approved gene therapy that may cure the condition.

For the estimated 20,000 people with sickle cell in the U.S. who qualify for the treatment, the start of Kendric's monthslong medical journey may offer hope. But it also signals the difficulties patients face as they seek a pair of new sickle cell treatments.

For a lucky few, like Kendric, the treatment could make possible lives they have longed for. Solemn and shy, he had learned that ordinary activities — riding a bike, going outside on a cold day, playing soccer — could bring on episodes of searing pain.

"Sickle cell always steals my dreams and interrupts all the things I want to do," he said. Now he feels as if he has a chance for a normal life.

Late last year, the Food and Drug Administration gave two companies authorization to sell gene therapy to people with sickle cell disease — a genetic disorder of red blood cells that causes debilitating pain and other medical problems. An estimated 100,000 people in the United States have sickle cell, most of them Black. People are born with the disease when they inherit the mutated gene for the condition from each parent.

The treatment helped patients in clinical trials, but Kendric is the first commercial patient for Bluebird Bio, a Somerville, Massachusetts, company.

Kendric began treatment at Children's National Hospital in Washington. The procedure May 1 was only the first step. Doctors removed his bone marrow stem cells, which Bluebird will then genetically modify for his treatment.

That will take months. Before it begins, Bluebird needs hundreds of millions of stem cells from Kendric, and if the first collection — taking six to eight hours — is not enough, the firm will try a few more times. If it still doesn't have enough, Kendric will have to spend another month in preparation for another stem cell extraction.

The whole process is so involved and time-consuming that Bluebird estimates it can treat the cells of only 85 to 105 patients each year.

Medical centers also have the capacity to handle only a limited number of gene therapy patients. After a patient's stem cells have been treated, the patient has to stay in the hospital for a month. Most of that time, patients are severely ill from chemotherapy.

Children's National can accept only about 10 gene therapy patients a year.

"This is a big effort," said Dr. David Jacobsohn, chief of the medical center's division of blood and marrow transplantation.

In May, Kendric came prepared for



Kendric, 12, the first commercial patient for Bluebird Bio's gene therapy to cure sickle cell, begins treatment May 1 at a Washington hospital.

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"We always prayed this day would come," said Kendric's mother, Deborah Cromer.

the stem cell collection — he has spent many weeks in this hospital being treated for pain so severe that on his last visit, even morphine and oxycodone could not control it. He brought a special pillow with a Snoopy pillowcase that his grandmother gave him and his Spider-Man blanket. And he had a goal.

"I want to be cured," he said.

Bone marrow stem cells, the source of all the body's red and white blood cells, are normally nestled in a person's bone marrow. But Kendric's doctors infused him with a drug, plerixafor, which pried them loose and let them float in his circulatory system.

To isolate the stem cells, staff inserted

a catheter into a vein in Kendric's chest and attached it to an apheresis machine, a boxlike device next to his hospital bed. It spins blood, separating it into layers — a plasma layer, a red cell layer and a stem cell layer.

Once enough stem cells have been gathered, they will be sent to Bluebird's lab in Allendale, New Jersey, where technicians will add a healthy hemoglobin gene to correct the mutated ones that are causing his sickle cell disease.

They will send the modified cells back three months later. The goal is to give Kendric red blood cells that will not turn into fragile crescent shapes and get caught in his blood vessels and organs.

Although it takes just a few days to add a new gene to stem cells, it takes weeks to test for purity, potency and safety. Bluebird lists a price of \$3.1 million for its gene therapy, called Lyfgenia. It's one of the costliest prices ever for a treatment.

Despite the astronomical price and the grueling process, medical centers have waiting lists of patients hoping for relief from a disease that can cause strokes, organ damage, bone damage, episodes of agonizing pain and shortened lives.

At Children's National, Jacobsohn said at least 20 patients were eligible and interested. The choice of who would go first came down to who was sickest and whose insurance came through.

Kendric qualified on both counts. But even though his insurance was quick to approve the treatment, the insurance payments are only part of what it will cost his family.

Deborah Cromer, a real estate agent, and her husband, Keith, who works in law enforcement, had no idea they might have a child with sickle cell.

They found out only when Deborah was pregnant with Kendric. Tests showed that their baby would have a 1-in-4 chance of inheriting the mutated gene from each parent and having sickle cell disease. They could terminate the pregnancy or take a chance.

They took the chance.

The news that Kendric had sickle cell was devastating. He had his first crisis when he was 3. Sickled blood cells had become trapped in his legs and feet. Their baby was inconsolable, in such pain that Deborah couldn't even touch him.

Eventually, the disease began wreaking severe damage. Kendric developed avascular necrosis in his hips — bone death that occurs when bone is deprived of blood. The condition spread to his back and shoulders. He began taking doses of gabapentin, a medicine for nerve pain.

His pain never let up. One day he said to Deborah, "Mommy, I'm in pain every single day."

Deborah and Keith began to hope for gene therapy. But when they found out what it would cost, they lost some of their hope. But their insurer approved the treatment in a few weeks, they said.

"We always prayed this day would come," Deborah said. But, she added, "We're nervous reading through the consents and what he will have to go through."

Kendric, though, is looking forward to the future. He wants to be a geneticist.



The 2024 Hyundai Palisade has incredible amounts of space. HYUNDAI

AUTO REVIEW

2024 Hyundai Palisade offers smooth SUV ride for families

BY LARRY PRINTZ
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

These days, what most people call an SUV is somewhere between a true SUV and a minivan. They boast the ground clearance and shape of an SUV but typically employ passenger car architecture and construction to increase ride comfort and civility.

And if you had any doubt that the 2024 Hyundai Palisade Calligraphy AWD is a family bus, it proves to be a fabulous way to safely transport your family with incredible competence.

There are certainly plenty of competitors in this space, among them, the Buick Enclave, Chevrolet Traverse, Ford Explorer, GMC Acadia, Honda Pilot, Mazda CX-90, Nissan Pathfinder, Subaru Ascent, Toyota Grand Highlander, and Volkswagen Atlas.

But if there's one that puts up a convincing fight against the Hyundai Palisade, it's the Kia Telluride, the Palisade's mechanically similar corporate cousin and current cul-de-sac darling.

They share powertrains, in this case, a naturally aspirated 3.8-liter DOHC V-6 that funnels 291 horsepower and 262 pound-feet of torque through an eight-speed automatic transmission to the front wheels or, should

HYUNDAI PALISADE CALLIGRAPHY AWD

Base price: \$52,350

Engine: 3.8-liter DOHC V6

Horsepower/Torque: 291/262 pound-feet

EPA rating (combined): 21 mpg

Length/Width/Height: 196.7/77.8/68.9 in.

Ground clearance: 7.9 in.

Payload: 1,356 lbs

Cargo capacity: 18-86.4 cubic feet

Towing capacity: 5,000 lbs
(with trailer brakes)

you choose, all four. It can tow 5,000 pounds, has up to 86.4 cubic feet of cargo space and can hold 220 pounds of stuff on its roof.

Payload capacity is 1,356 pounds. Our vehicle also came with Smart Park. And given its nearly 78-inch width, the ability to autonomously roll it out of tight parking spaces before climbing in it is a true luxury.

And while the Palisades starts at what passes for affordable these days — \$36,650 for the base SE FWD — we opted for the other extreme — the \$52,350 Palisade Calligraphy AWD.

Why? Because it does a passably good job of imitating a luxury vehicle at a mainstream

price. If you didn't know any better, you might swear it's a Genesis.

Credit the Palisade's 2023 design freshening, which endows it with a more aggressive front end that renders it even more butch, while swathing the far more attractive interior in an HGTV-worthy makeover. There's quilted Nappa leather with piping, whitewashed wood trim, metal garnishes, ambient lighting, heated and cooled seats, along with rear heated seats, multi-zone automatic climate control, head-up display, dual sunroofs, heated steering wheel, Wi-Fi hot spot, digital key, 12.3-inch infotainment touchscreen, USB-C ports and power outlets throughout the cabin and on and on and on. It will spoil you rotten.

Its relaxed demeanor plays into this well. With plenty of punch on hand, it provides a tranquil manner and the security of all-wheel drive.

Along with incredible amounts of space, it proves to be a perfect mobile family sanctuary. It's one smooth customer, with precise steering, a comfortable ride and modest body roll while cornering.

It makes for a sizable conveyance that will transport your brood in a truly upscale manner. Consider it the fortress of indulgence, a stress-free part of parental life filled with far too little of it.

Your HOROSCOPE

BY TAROT.COM

For Sunday, June 9

Putting one foot in front of the other will get us somewhere sooner or later. Action planet Mars is entering grounded Taurus, setting us up for six weeks of methodical and careful creation. The Sun in Gemini squares Saturn in Pisces, imposing clarity upon our inner drives and reminding us to listen to our senses of intuition. The Moon then leaves Cancer for Leo and finishes the day with an opposition to Pluto in Aquarius, encouraging transformation inside and out.

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 19

Money makes the world go round — at least for the next month and a half. This initiates a powerful vibe when you can increase your net worth. The one caveat to bear in mind is that life can increase costs while increasing your income, so avoid spending your cash as quickly as you earn it.



LIBRA

SEPT. 23-OCT. 22

True closeness requires work and effort. You can immerse yourself in this intimate energy, putting a big emphasis on the deepest bonds you share with others. This transit can ask a lot of you, as it requires you to be open to other people's needs. Still, the rewards should be worth it in the end.



TAURUS

APRIL 20-MAY 20

Your vitality is positively off the charts. This newfound burst of firepower is tremendous. This is also a great time to focus on your physical body. If you've fallen off the workout bandwagon, then this cycle strengthens you to get your act together and start running with the best of them, literally or metaphorically.



SCORPIO

OCT. 23-NOV. 21

Partnerships are not always simple and easy. They may provide you with a bit of a headache. People can be extra ornery or reactive in difficult times in their lives, so be willing to give people their necessary space. Of course, don't forget to include yourself in that!



GEMINI

MAY 21-JUNE 20

Sometimes action has to take place behind the scenes rather than in front of you where you can see it all. The more you attempt to strong-arm your way into any particular situation, the more resistance you'll feel. Don't beat on a wall hoping to make it a door.



SAGITTARIUS

NOV. 22-DEC. 21

Good results require honest effort — especially at this time. It should be easier than ever to work up the energy necessary to tackle everything on your plate. That said, don't be shocked if your to-do list is practically a mile long. You've got plenty of firepower pushing you along toward the finish line.



CANCER

JUNE 21-JULY 22

Your social obligations may feel more pressing than usual. This transit can stir up lots of invites and events to go to wherever you can shine among company, but it could also create some friction among your local cliques. Be on the lookout for any shady behavior.



CAPRICORN

DEC. 22-JAN. 19

There's no reason for you not to live life to the fullest. Everything is becoming more exciting and positive. This six-week transit will create more chances for you to express yourself in various ways but especially in an artistic fashion. Regardless, don't be shy about showing off.



LEO

JULY 23-AUG. 22

Aim as high as you can. An inviting track is opening up before you. You're being topped up with fresh impetus to chase your goals and do whatever you need to ensure they come to fruition. You may be exceptionally busy, but trust that the work you do now will pay off.



AQUARIUS

JAN. 20-FEB. 18

The party is popping off in your living room. Your hearth just became the hottest spot in town. Life can bring energy and action, like house parties, renovations or moving, but it can also bring stress. Make an effort to prepare for all eventualities while leaving yourself some private time.



VIRGO

AUG. 23-SEPT. 22

The world is full of boundless possibility, so don't just leave it sitting there. You're being gifted a special desire to go explore. This is a terrific time to travel, so if you've been thinking about booking a whirlwind vacation, now is your moment. You could be halfway across the globe before you know it.



PISCES

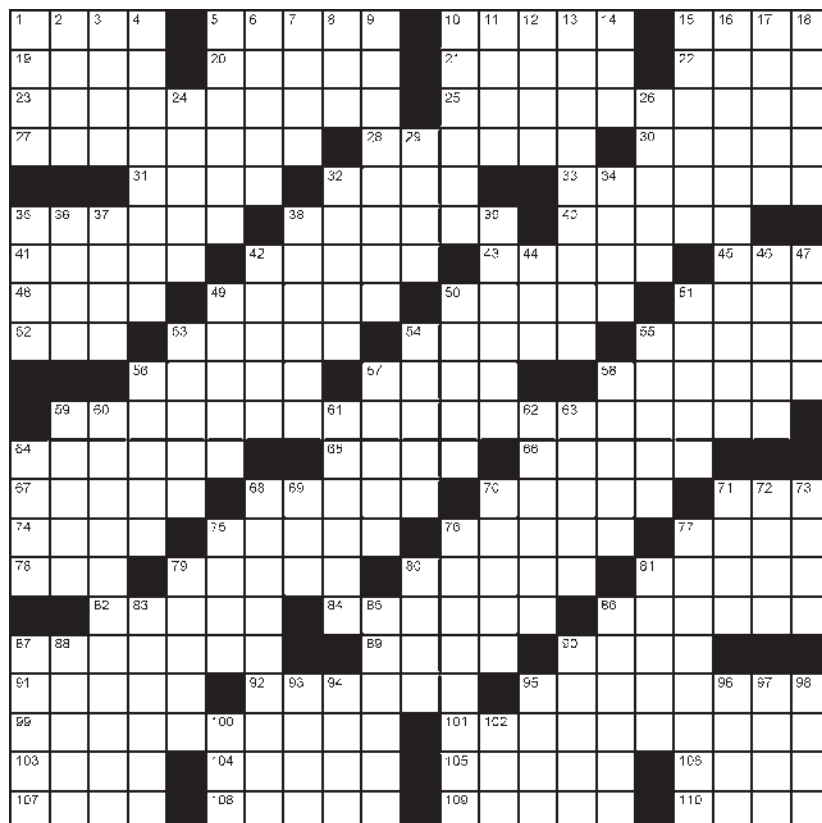
FEB. 19-MARCH 20

Heads up — events are flying at you at light speed. You have plenty of things to do and people to see. This transit can be a lot of fun, but make sure you're still checking off important tasks along the way, or else you risk getting caught up in busywork without actually accomplishing anything. Don't let that happen.



THE BIG X-WORD

Ding-Dong by James Barrick



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ACROSS

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| 1 — fides | 78 Rocky outcrop | 36 Double-reed instrument |
| 5 Racecourse in Berkshire, England | 79 Fairy in Shakespeare | 37 Calendar abbr. |
| 10 Hat material | 80 Orbiting body | 38 Throttled |
| 15 Capacious bag | 81 Proportion | 39 Gap |
| 19 Place of perfection | 82 Pied-a- — | 42 Treat with contempt |
| 20 Persian wheel | 84 Secured a vessel | 44 Old Vegas — Pack coterie |
| 21 Bus | 86 Of high quality | 46 Sing a certain way |
| 22 Girasol | 87 British territory | 47 Dishevel |
| 23 Chamber for undersea workers: 2 wds. | 89 Secondhand | 49 Prized fiddle |
| 25 Nautical warning device for foggy weather: 2 wds. | 90 Tempo | 50 Support (with "up") |
| 27 Painted | 91 Composer — Berg | 51 "Rags-to-riches" author |
| 28 — blue flag | 92 Dame — Mary Clarissa Christie | 53 Jazz instruments |
| 30 Vietnam city | 95 Places | 54 Wet |
| 31 Say with confidence | 99 Item that jingles: 2 wds. | 55 Sword |
| 32 Of the ear | 101 Mealtime alert: 2 wds. | 56 Kind of palm |
| 33 Roots | 103 Cash box | 57 Young hellions |
| 35 Split pin | 104 Borden's cow | 58 Fix firmly |
| 38 Fashion house | 105 Deliver a speech | 59 Spicy marinade |
| 40 Puccini's "— Lescart" | 106 Dalai — | 60 Symbol of American independence: 2 wds. |
| 41 Detest | 107 Fish sometimes pickled | 61 Honor |
| 42 Word in a commandment | 108 — four cake | 62 Droned |
| 43 Developed | 109 "King Lear" daughter | 63 Sphere of action |
| 45 PE venue | 110 Formerly, once | 64 Part of QED |
| 48 Go bad | | 68 Southernmost point of mainland Florida: 2 wds. |
| 49 Mark with a groove | | 69 Powder residue |
| 50 Diving duck | | 70 Intended |
| 51 "— Ben Adhem" | | 71 Kismet |
| 52 That girl | | 72 Stoltz or Blore |
| 53 Feed a fire | | 73 Funny guy |
| 54 Seals | | 75 Incinerate |
| 55 Dog-race vehicles | | 76 Bullfighter |
| 56 Wilkes- —, Pennsylvania | | 77 Fit to be marketed |
| 57 Benefit | | 79 Chimp cousin |
| 58 Philly players | | 80 Blackjack |
| 59 AT&T co-founder: 3 wds. | | 81 Happen regularly |
| 64 Redacted | | 83 Spam folder contents |
| 65 Flavoring plant | | 85 Vent |
| 66 Earth pigment | | 86 Shiny cloth |
| 67 Garb for new grads | | 87 Class |
| 68 Malicious | | 88 '80s sitcom "Kate & —" |
| 70 Fossil resin | | 90 Ship of 1492 |
| 71 Chemin de — | | 93 Adventure tale |
| 74 Fratricide victim | | 94 Et — (and others) |
| 75 Foundations | | 95 Catch |
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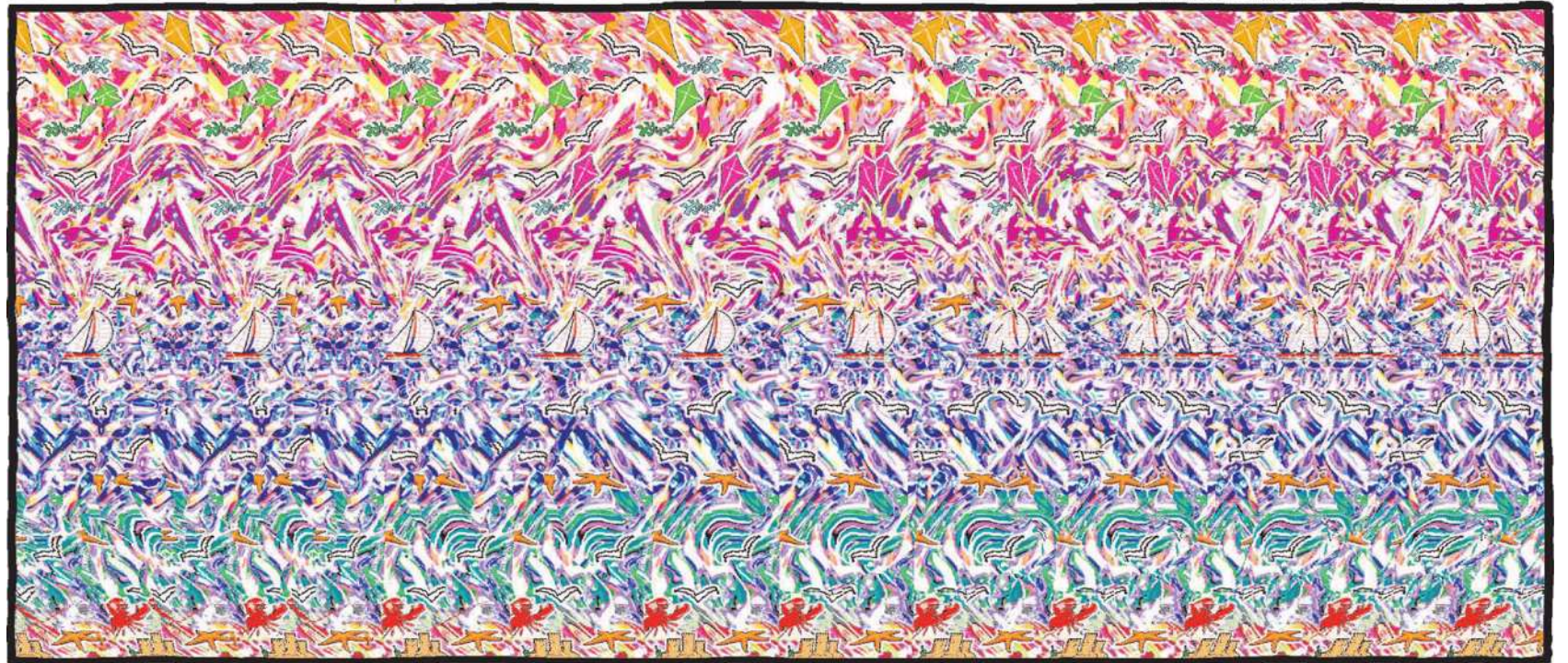
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| 2 Husband of Frigg | 70 Intended |
| 3 St. Petersburg's river | 71 Kismet |
| 4 Pixar worker | 72 Stoltz or Blore |
| 5 Fisherman | 73 Funny guy |
| 6 Serious | 75 Incinerate |
| 7 Street — (good rep) | 76 Bullfighter |
| 8 Lamp fuel | 77 Fit to be marketed |
| 9 Unlikely account: 2 wds. | 79 Chimp cousin |
| 10 Rare | 80 Blackjack |
| 11 Chinese gang | 81 Happen regularly |
| 12 Track and field event | 83 Spam folder contents |
| 13 Colorless | 85 Vent |
| 14 "— goes there?" | 86 Shiny cloth |
| 15 Trinidad and — | 87 Class |
| 16 NYSE signal: 2 wds. | 88 '80s sitcom "Kate & —" |
| 17 Claw | 90 Ship of 1492 |
| 18 Immigrants' island | 93 Adventure tale |
| 24 "... and — the twain shall meet" | 94 Et — (and others) |
| 26 Basel's river | 95 Catch |
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JUMBLE

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

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CBTEUK
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HIDATO

Complete the grid so that numbers 1 - 140 connect horizontally, vertically or diagonally:

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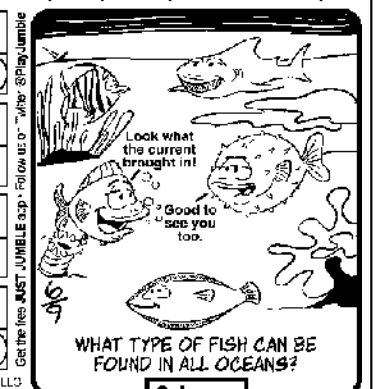
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JUMBLE FOR KIDS

The letters of these crazy words are all mixed up. To play the game, put them back into the right order so that they make real words you can find in your dictionary. Write the letters of each real word under each crazy word, but only one letter to a square.

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OTKO
ESWI
ERTE



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Now you're ready to solve today's Jumble For Kids. Study the picture for a hint. Play around with the letters in the circles. You'll find you can put them in order so that they make your funny answer.

Print answer here:

Jumble: NOODLE, INDUCT, BLOTCH, GROGER, SOCIAL, FENNEL. They forgot what was needed to connect the electric guitar, so - NO CORD, NO CHORDS
Jumble for Kids: GYM, SAFE, GROW, HALL. She loved soccer, and making the high school soccer team was - HER GOAL

SUNDAY 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 2 News at 6:30PM (N)	60 Minutes (N)		60 Minutes (N)		Elsbeth - The CEO of a crime alert app murders a journalist.		Elsbeth		CBS 2 News at 11PM (N)	(11:35) CBS 2 News (N)		Joel Osteen					
3 WJLP	Collector (N)	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	All in the Family	All in the Family	All in the Family		All in the Family	Sullivan	Carol Burnett	Dick Van Dyke	Dick Van Dyke	Honeymoon.					
4 WNBC	NBC Nightly News (N)	Live From Detroit: The Concert at Michigan Central (N)		Password - Contestants compete in a word game for a cash prize.		America's Got Talent - The auditions continue as variety acts featuring contestants of all ages perform.				News 4 NY at 11 (N)		News 4 NY at 11:30 (N)		Sports Final (N)				
5 WNYW	(3:30) * NASCAR	United Football League - Conference Championship: San Antonio Brahmas at St. Louis Battlehawks - The Dome hosts the XFL Conference Championship between St. Louis (7-3) and San Antonio (7-3). (N)						The 10 O'Clock News (N)		Fox 5 Sports Extra (N)	Graham Bensinger	Raw Travel	TMZ (N) ♦					
7 WABC	ABC World News (N)	Celebrity Family Feud	NBA Countdown (N)	2024 NBA Finals - Dallas Mavericks at Boston Celtics - The Celtics and come together in Beantown for Game 2 of the 2024 NBA Finals. (N)				the Mavericks		NBA Postgame Studio (N)	Eyewitness News at 11 (N)		The Rookie ♦					
9 WWOR	(6:00) ♦ Chicago	Chicago P.D.		Family Feud	Family Feud	Family Feud	Family Feud	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Whacked						
10/55 WLNY	(6:00) ♦ ET (N)	Breaking	The Point	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)			Paid Prog.		Judge Judy	Paid Prog.	WOW - Women (N)		Family Guy					
11 WPIX	Paid Prog.	I AM LEGEND ('07) ★★★ Alice Braga, Dash Mihok, Will Smith.					The Conners		PIX11 News at Ten (N)		Sports (N)		Yankees (N)		Two Half Men			
13 WNET	Our Eyes	Elton John: The Million Dollar Piano			Grantchester: Investigating Life's Mysteries			Agatha Christie: Lucy Worsley on the Mystery Queen			Restless -- Being Paul Newman							
21 WLII	Weekend (N)	Great Performances				Luther Vandross -- Always and Forever				Ancient Remedies With Dr. Josh Axe								
25 WNYE	(6:00) ♦ Aktina TV	Buzz	Profiles	On Story	A Day's Work	Her Big Idea	Neighborh	Nightmare Theatre				Grown Up Dad						
31 WPXN	(6:00) ♦ NCIS	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS ♦						
41 WFUT2	♦ Detectives	Dateline		Dateline		Dateline - Investigation into a deadly house fire.				Most Shocking				Shocking ♦				
47 WNJU	Noticias T (N)	Top Chef VIP - Una de las chefs se niega a probar un plato. (N)				Billboard: Mujeres latinas en la música (N)				Noticiero 47 (N)		Noticias T (N)	Zona mixta (N)					
A&E	(6:00) ♦ Secrets	Secrets of the Hells Angels		Secrets of the Hells Angels		Secrets of the Hells Angels		Secrets of the Hells Angels		(11:05) Secrets-Hells		(12:05) Secrets ♦						
AMC	(6:00) ♦ THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE ('13) ★★★	Jennifer Lawrence.				Interview With the Vampire (N)		(10:15) Interview With the Vampire			(11:25) Inter.-Vampire		♦					
ANPL	(6:00) ♦ Wardens	Wardens of the North		Wardens of the North		Wardens of the North (N)		Wardens of the North		Wardens of the North		Wardens		♦				
BBCA	STRIPES ('81) ★★ Harold Ramis, Warren Oates, Bill Murray.					TOMMY BOY ('95) ★★ David Spade, Brian Dennehy, Chris Farley.			(11:15) MEN AT WORK ('90) ★★ Charlie Sheen.		♦							
BET	(5:00) ♦ DREAMGIRLS ('06) ★★★	Beyoncé, Jamie Foxx.			WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT ('93) ★★★ Laurence Fishburne, Angela Bassett.			Tyler Perry's Sistas										
BRV	♦ Housewives	Housewives of NJ		The Real Housewives of New Jersey (N)			The Real Housewives of Dubai		Housewives of NJ		Watch What (N)		Summer ♦					
CBSSN	(6:00) ♦ Bowling	CFL Football - BC Lions at Toronto Argonauts - From BMO Field in Toronto. (N)		PBA Bowling - 2024 PBA Tour Finals Group 1 Stepladder Finals				PBA Bowling ♦										
CNBC	(6:00) ♦ Greed	American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		Greed ♦						
CNN	♦ Newsroom	CNN Newsroom (N)		Whole Story With Anderson (N)		Violent Earth (N)		Secrets & Spie (N)		Whole Story With Anderson		Violent Earth ♦						
COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	South Park	(11:35) SouthPark	SouthPark ♦						
DISN	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	BIG CITY GREENS THE MOVIE: SPACECATION			(9:35) Big City	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens							
DSC	(6:00) ♦ Naked and Afraid XL (N)	Naked and Afraid XL - Malorie sets her sights on a bigger prize. (N)			(10:05) Naked and Afraid			(11:05) Naked and Afraid		Afraid XL ♦								
E!	(6:00) ♦ HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS: PART 2 ('11) ★★★					FANTASTIC BEASTS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM ('16) ★★★ Katherine Waterston, Eddie Redmayne.			FANTASTIC B... ♦									
ESPN	♦ Countdown	MLB Baseball - Los Angeles Dodgers at New York Yankees - From Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, N.Y. (N)						SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)			SportsCenter (N) ♦							
ESPN2	UFC	NBA (N)	College Baseball - NCAA Tournament: Texas A&M vs. Oregon (N)						30 for 30 - I'm Just Here For The Riot			The Ulti ♦						
FAM	(5:20) ♦ COCO ('17) ★★★	(7:45) INSIDE OUT ('15) ★★★		Voices of Phyllis Smith, Amy Poehler.		(9:50) TANGLED ('10) ★★★		Voices of Zachary Levi, Donna Murphy, Mandy Moore.				COW BELLES ♦						
FBN	(6:00) ♦ Valor	Vietnam: Footste		The War on Warriors		Unknown Valor: A Story of Family		Vietnam: Footste		The War on Warriors		Joel Osteen						
FNC	(6:00) ♦ FoxReport	The Big Weekend Show (N)		Life, Liberty & Levin		Sunday Night		The Big Weekend Show		Life, Liberty & Levin		Sunday Night ♦						
FOOD	(6:00) ♦ Grocery	Guy's Grocery Games		Ciao House - Chefs feed pies to 50 guests at a pizza festival. (N)			Alex vs America		Outchef'd		Outchef'd		Ciao House ♦					
FX	(5:30) ♦ BAD BOYS FOR LIFE ('20) ★★	Will Smith.		GHOSTBUSTERS: AFTERLIFE ('21) ★★ Finn Wolfhard, Mckenna Grace, Carrie Coon.				GHOSTBUSTERS: AFTERLIFE ('21) ★★ Carrie Coon. ♦										
HALL	♦ MOONLIGHT ...	SAVORING PARIS ('24) Stanley Weber, Bethany Joy Lenz.				When Calls the Heart (N)		ROMANCE IN STYLE ('22) Ben Hollingsworth, Jaicy Elliot.			The Golden Girls							
HBO	(6:00) ♦ Ren Faire	WANTED ('08) ★★★ Morgan Freeman, James McAvoy.				Ren Faire (N)		Ren Faire (N) (F)		Last Week (N)		(11:40) Ren Faire		♦				
HGTV	(6:00) ♦ Love-List	Love It or List It		Fixer Upper: The Lakehouse (N)		Celebrity IOU (N)		Hunters (N)	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	Celebrity IOU ♦					
HIST	♦ HowDisney	Mega-Brands		Mega-Brands		Mega-Brands (N)		(10:05) How Disney (N) (SF)		(11:05) Mega-Brands		(12:05) Brands ♦						
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	Forensic Files					
ID	(6:00) ♦ Scary	Very Scary People		People Magazine		People Magazine (N)		Signs of a Psychopath (N)		Psychopath	Psychopath	People ♦						
IFC	♦ MR. DEEDS	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond					
LIFE	♦ GIRL LOCKED UPSTAIRS: TANYA KACH STORY	GASLIT BY MY HUSBAND: THE MORGAN METZER STORY (P)					(10:05) SLEEPING WITH THE ENEMY ('91) ★★ Julia Roberts.			GASLIT BY M... ♦								
LIFEMOV	(6:00) ♦ BURNING LITTLE LIES ('21) Annika Foster.	BEACHES ('17) Nia Long, Colin Lawrence, Idina Menzel.			ROOMMATE REGRET ('24) Josh Cole, Maryana Dvorska.			BEACHES ♦										
LOGO	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace					
MAX	(6:10) ♦ THE INFORMANTS! ('09) ★★★	WHITE MEN CAN'T JUMP ('92) ★★★ Wesley Snipes.				(9:55) GET HARD ('15) ★★ Kevin Hart, Will Ferrell.			(11:35) KINGPIN ('96) ★★		♦							
MSG	JB Smoove	The Juice Bar	The Juice Bar	The Juice Bar	The Juice Bar	Club 30 - Eli Manning		Club 30 - Mike Richter		The Better		The Juice Bar	The Juice Bar					
MSGSN	(12:00) ♦ FanDuel Racing (N)	United Fight Alliance			United Fight Alliance (N)		World Poker Tour: Season 20		World Poker Tour: Season 20		United Fight ♦							
MSNBC	(6:00) ♦ Sunday	Ayman (N)		Ayman (N)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N)		(9:55) Inside With Jen Psaki		Ayman		Sunday ♦						
MTV	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculous (N)	Ridiculous (N)	Ridiculous (N)	Ridiculous (N)	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness					
NGEO	(6:00) ♦ Ramsay	Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted		Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted		Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (N)		World Eats Bread (N)		Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted		Gordon Ram ♦						
NICK	♦ BOSS BABY 2: FAMILY BUSINESS	(7:45) PADDINGTON 2 ('17) ★★★					Voices of Hugh Grant, Ben Whishaw.		Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends					
OWN	♦ 20/ 20, OWN	20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN ♦						
OXY	(6:00) ♦ Snapped	Sins of the South (N)		Deadly Waters With Captain Lee		Snapped		Snapped		Sins of the South		Sins-South ♦						
PARMT	♦ BarRescue	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue (N)		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue ♦						
PARSHO	(5:45) ♦ MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE -- GHOST PROTOCOL	(8:05) Mayor of Kingstown			The Chi (N)		Couples Th (N)	Couples Th (N)	The Chi	(11:45) BOOGIE NIGHTS		♦						
SMITH	(6:00) ♦ Dar. Raids	WWII's Most Daring Raids		America's Hidden Stories		The Day Hitler Died		Black Panthers of WW2		The Day the Bomb Dropped		Daring Raids ♦						
SNY	(6:00) ♦ Broadway Boxing	Oh Yeah ...		Oh Yeah ...		Broadway Boxing		SportsNite (N)		SportsNite (N)	SportsNite (N)	SportsNite (N) ♦						
STARZ	(5:10) ♦ DJANGO UNCHAINED ('12) ★★★	Power Book II: Ghost				TICKET TO PARADISE ('22) ★★ George Clooney.		(10:50) Power Book II: Ghost		(11:50) GET ON UP ★★★ (P)		♦						
STZNC	♦ BROADCAST ...	(7:05) ROLL BOUNCE ('05) ★★ Chi McBride, Mike Epps, Bow Wow.					REVENGE OF THE NERDS ('84) ★★		REVENGE OF THE NERDS II: NERDS IN PARADISE FIRESTARTER ♦									
SUND	♦ FERRIS BUEL...	SIXTEEN CANDLES ('84) ★★ Anthony Michael Hall, Molly Ringwald.				FERRIS BUELLER'S DAY OFF ('86) ★★★ Alan Ruck, Mia Sara, Matthew Broderick.				SIXTEEN CANDLES ('84) ★★ ♦								
SYFY	♦ GHOSTBUST...	(7:05) JURASSIC PARK ('93) ★★★ Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum, Sam Neill.						THE LOST WORLD: JURASSIC PARK ('97) ★★ Julianne Moore, Jeff Goldblum. ♦										
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	ACE VENTURA: PET DETECTIVE ('94) ★★ ♦								
TCM	(5:45) ♦ DESIGNING WOMAN ('57) ★★★	THE LOST WEEKEND ('45) ★★★ Jane Wyman, Ray Milland.			ALIAS NICK BEAL ('49) ★★★ Audrey Totter, Ray Milland.			OUR MODER... ♦										
TLC	(6:00) ♦ 90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After?	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? (N)					MILF Manor (N)		(11:05) 90 Day Fiancé (N)		90 Day Fiancé ♦							
TMC	RED EYE ('05) ★★★ Rachel McAdams. (P)	THE BIG SHORT ('15) ★★★ Ryan Gosling, Steve Carell. (P)					(10:10) IN THE CUT ('03) ★★ Mark Ruffalo, Meg Ryan.		PLEASURE ♦									
TNT	(5:55) ♦ AVENGERS: INFINITY WAR ('18) ★★★	Chris Hemsworth, Robert Downey Jr..					The Lazarus Project (N) (SP)		(10:05) The Lazarus Project		(11:10) THE MARTIAN ('15) ★★★ Matt Damon. ♦							
TOON	(6:45) Suplex	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	American Dad!	American Dad!	American Dad!	American Dad!	Rick and Morty	Rick and Morty	Smiling/ Smiling						
TRUTV	Inside Jokes	M. Friendlies - Argentina vs. Ecuador - From Soldier Field in Chicago.				Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes					
TRVL	♦ Paranormal	Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera (N)		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal Caught on Camera		Paranormal ♦						
TVLND	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld						
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) ♦ THE BIG WEDDING ('13) ★	TITANIC ('97) ★★★★★ Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio. - A woman (Kate Winslet) falls for an artist (Leonardo DiCaprio) aboard the ill-fated ship.																
WE	(6:00) ♦ Law	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order ♦						
YES	(4:00) ♦ Classics	Star Boxing				SportsMoney	Nets Magaz.	Postgame (N)	Yanks Mag.	History of Yankees - 1957-1979		Postgame						

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Architectural Designer
(Associate) Manhattan, NY
Handel Architects LLP. Perform
SD, DD, & CD phases, build-
ing massing, zoning and code
analysis. Use Revit, AutoCAD,
Rhino 3D. Strong Adobe CS, MS
Office. Salary range: \$67434 to
\$92K. B Arch + 3 yrs. exp in
in rel arch'l design occupa-
tions. Send res & portfolio to:
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with "Arch003" in the subject
line.

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Handel Architects LLP. Perform
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2 yrs. in rel arch design OR
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Associate Pastor: Worship
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Use specialized tools such as
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to ensure that the work is level
& plumb. Repair & maintain
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cedures & guidelines to ensure a
safe work envrnt. Qualification:
High School Dipl. Exp: - 2 yrs
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Church Office Assistant wanted
by a Korean church: Perform
clerical duties, handle inquiries,
worship bulletins prep, activities
scheduling. Ream't: High school/
GED & fluency in Korean. \$38709-
\$39700/yr salary. Mail resume to
the Gang Sung Presbyterian
Church of New York: Fort Tol-
ten, Chapel 638, Bayside, NY
11359

Help Wanted General

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activities scheduling. Ream't:
High school/GED & fluency in
Korean. \$38709-\$39800/yr salary.
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Resp. for dvlpng & supporting the
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tual commitments & corporate
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& insurance reamts. Manage
on-site safety prgm & make sure
client & co. safety practices are
followed & all work is performed
in accord w/ Site Specific Safety
Manual & OSHA stds. Gather
& analyze data, identify gaps,
make recommendations to base-
line performance & structure,
best practices & benchmarks to
prioritize projects & streamline
processes w/ City, State & agency
reamts. Oversee the implmnt
& quality control of projects. Meet
w/ clients & vendors to identify
barriers providing resolutions
that maximize production &
minimize cost in a safe manner.
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recommendations by identifying
& resolving hindrances & field ob-
struction. Negotiate settlement of
claim by establishing appropriate
negotiation strategy, utilizing
available tools & resources w/in
authority limits. Identify risks,
assumptions, perform risk mngmt/
insurance evaluations incl policy/
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parison of insurance proposals.
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to store & manage large complex
linked datasets; establish and
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necessary to distribute and track
data access and data use across
multiple team members locally
and globally; develop and improve
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the accuracy of algorithms; and,
collaborate with engineering teams
and business partners to support
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Data Eng'r, MI Data; Point72,
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wk. Build solutions for process-
ing big & unstructured data sets.
Develop big data processing
pipelines for new data sources
containing structured & unstruc-
tured data. Must have at least a
master's or equiv.in Data Sci.,
Bus Analytics, Financial Eng'g,
or a related & at least 2 yrs as
SW Eng'r, Data Eng'r or related
role. Must also possess; at least
2 yrs of exp. wrking w/ big &
unstructured data sets at scale in
the Cloud & programming using
Python or Java; at least 1 yr of
exp: architecting solutions &
integrating components; and w/
collaborative development on a
team managing SW development
though full SDLC. Salary range==
\$216,000 - \$220,500/yr. Resume to
svcRecruiting@Point72.com &
reference Job Code Z0620245

Data Scientists II, MI Data;
Point72, L.P. (New York, NY).
Hybrid positions: remote up to 2
days per wk. Conduct research
through data mining & stat mod-
eling to discover insights from
Big Data used by investment
professionals to make decisions.
Must have at least a master's or
equiv.in Data Sci., Fin Eng'g,
Math, Stats or related quant.
field & at least 2 yrs as Data
Scientist or related. Must also
possess; at least 2 yrs of exp: w/
ML, stat models, & data mining
techniques; w/ data cleaning,
processing, feature eng'g, &
modeling; w/ stat methods
(includ. generalized regression
model, time series, SVM &/
or other related methods); w/
integrating data analysis w/
business context; in building
efficient & robust data processing
pipeline on distributed system; &
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Amir Ram Bagels Inc d/b/a Tal
Bagels (NYC, NY) Take custom-
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erages. Slice meats and cheeses,
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sides by container. Serve food to
customers for eat in or package
for takeout orders. Accept pay-
ments by cash and credit cards,
balance receipts and payments
in cash register. Monitor supplies
and food items and restock as
necessary. Maintain clean and
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attractive risk-adjusted returns
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and agriculture. May require to
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applications@generatecapital.
com Please reference: Job Code
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assess the store's financial
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Collaborate with store manage-
ment to develop annual budgets
and financial forecasts, assist
in the preparation of detailed
budget models, considering sales
projections, expenses, capital
expenditures, and other financial
factors. 3) Support the develop-
ment of the store's financial
strategies, conduct financial
modeling and scenario analysis.
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implement efficient financial pro-
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Store food in designated contain-
ers & storage areas to prevent
spoilage. Portion & wrap the
food, or place it directly on plates
for service to patrons. Clean &
sanitize work areas, eqpmnt,
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No education nor exp req'd. Tues-
Sat, 12pm-8pm, \$32,500/yr. Email
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Attn: Luan Qulli, owner at
Leo@serafinarestaurant.com.

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cut &/or slit ston; remv cut stons
&plc in lapidary stck; slct shng
wheel &apply abrsiv cmpnd; hld
lapidry stck to shpe stons &grnd
fcgs; examn ston for accry of
cut using mgnyfng glass; polsh
stons using felt/canvs-covrd polshng
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Dvlp mktg & pitch materials for
investors. Prepare, review, &
maintain mngmt docs & reports
for due diligence. Read: Bach-
elor's deg in Bus. or Finance &
24-mos. exp as investment associ-
ate & 2-yr exp in private mkts &
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VC space & Strong modeling &
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NY. Min. Bachelor's in Talmud
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grammar & Talmud + fluency in
Hebrew (reading, writing, &
speaking) req'd. Salary: \$83,500/
yr. Mail CV to Rabbinical Acad-
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attn.: E. Rabinowitz @ 1585 Coney
Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230

Kitchen Managers (NY, NY)
Supv & coord kitchen workers
engaged in food prep'n & serv-
ing. Provide orientations for new
hires. Inspect supplies & kitchen
equip. Create work scheds &
record timesheets. Ensure
compliance w/ health & sanita-
tion codes. HS dip req'd. \$45k/
yr. Mult. pos. available. Mail
resume: M48 Catering Corp., 44
W 55th St, 4th Fl, NY, NY 10019

Laborer, 1 F/T Open Positions
(New Rochelle, NY) Perform
tasks involving physical labor for
home remodeling & construc-
tion svcs company. Clean & prep
sites & clean up rubble, debris, &
other waste materials. Move ma-
terials & carry & hand over tools
to other workers. No Education
nor exp read. Must be able to lift
50 lbs. Travel to unanticipated
worksites w/in the Westchester
county in the State of NY, as well
as w/in the following NYC metro
area 5 counties read: Bronx,
NY, Queens, Kings, & Richmond
County. The employer will pro-
vide free round-trip transport to
client sites & back from the em-
ployer's main business address.
Mon - Fri, 9AM - 5PM. Email
resume to Shala Build DBA Solve
Insulation, Attn: Kushtim Shala,
Owner at shalabuild@gmail.com

Maintenance Painter -(Spring
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Painting all walls, trim, doors,
window frames, ceilings, vents,
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& cabinets in both vacant & oc-
cupied; Completing work orders
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painting, caulking, & grouting;
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or repairing holes in walls or
ceilings. Reamts: 3 mos of exp in
the job offd or rltld field; 3 mos of
exp w/ using a brush & roller to
apply paint, surface repair, color,
& theory mixing; Roving position
responsible for visiting clients
located in Manhattan, Brooklyn,
& Queens areas. Send resume to:
IMPRESSIVE PAINTING &
STAINING INC. attn: Abraham
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Valley, NY 10977

Nanny sought by The Londinos in
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hrs are from 10 am - 7:30 pm, 4
dys/wk. May req travel &/or re-
location to various unanticipated
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Babysitter, or Au Pair caring for
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com. Ref#NANNY

Production Engineer:
Analyze & integrate production
structure & process to identify
issues & reduce costs; formulate
forecasting models, predictive
analysis & trend projection.
Perform safety stock analysis,
supply chain management, &
manpower utilization. Jobsite:
New York, NY. Min. master's in
management of technology or
industrial engineering or foreign
equiv., + knowledge of Operations
Management, & Decision Models &
Analytics req'd. Salary: \$89,400/yr.
Mail CV to Breads Bakery, attn.:
M. Crocker @ 18 E. 16th St., New
York, NY 10003

Help Wanted General

Quant. Research Analyst; Cubist
Systematic Strategies, LLC (New
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remote up to 2 days per wk.
Conduct & manage quant finance
alpha research from diverse data
sources to provide stock return
forecasts. Build & implement
profitable quant. equity invest-
ment models. Must have at least
a master's or equiv.in Quant.
Fin, Fin Eng'g, Comp. Sci.,
Ops Res, Math, Stats or other
related quant. discipline (like
Eng'g or Physics) & at least 1
yr w/ Quant. research internship
exp or related exp at a fin svcs
inst. Must also possess; at least
1 yr: of internship exp develop-
ing, researching, & impl quant.
models for equities on behalf of
a fin svcs inst; programming/
utilizing C++, SQL, & Python;
designing and impl ML models;
performing stat analysis of data
gathered from finl markets to
build quant models; conducting
independent research utilizing
large data sets; & w/ systematic
trading research. Salary range==
\$150,000 - \$300,000/yr. Resume to
svcRecruiting@Point72.com &
reference Job Code D062024J

Research Analyst; Cubist
Systematic Strategies, LLC (New
York, NY). Hybrid position;
remote up to 2 days per wk.
Conduct & manage quant. finance
alpha research from diverse data
sources to provide accurate stock
return forecasts. Build & imple-
ment profitable quant. equity
investment models. Must have
at least a master's or equiv.in
Financial Eng'g, Physics, Math,
Comp. Sci., Electrical Eng'g,
Stats, Finance, Economics, or
a related field & at least 3 yrs
as a Quant. Trader/Developer/
Researcher or related role at a
financial svcs firm. Must also
possess; at least two yrs exp:
developing & impl quant. models
for cryptocurrency products for
a fin svcs inst; in programming/
utilizing C++, SQL, & Python;
performing stat. analysis of
historical data gathered from
financial markets to build quant.
models; developing trad-
ing modules & feeds systems to
distribute market data &
reconcile trading activities;
conducting independent research
utilizing large data sets; & in
stat arbitrage & market mak-
ing strategies for cryptocur-
rency products. Salary range==
\$150,000 - \$200,000/yr. Resume to
svcRecruiting@Point72.com &
reference Job Code H062024Q

Senior Data Scientist, NY, NY:
Lead data sci/engg intvts to frame
data-drvn strtgs & rslv chlngs;
Derive insights that divr biz value/
revenue grwth/impct; Bld/oversee
adv anlytics pltrfms on TB-scale
blckchn data; Idntfy/capture data
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roadmap/wrhrs; Explr ststcl
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time-series anlyss; Prvd mgt w/
insights & enable decision-mkng;
Architect data pipelines/ETL
prcsss, create instrmnt data, &
implmnt C/ID; Define/except sclbl
data anlytics thr cluster cmptng/
cloud infrstrctre. Req: BS in CS,
Stats or equiv plus min 5-yr exp
dvlpng big data anlytics pltrfms &
pipelines for lrg entrprss using Ha-
doop/Spark/cloud pltrfms. Expts
in dstrbrtd cmptng/scng machine
learning models/ETL/wrkflw opt-
mztn/vis lrg datasets. Exp w/real-
time & batch data prcssng/data
wrhsgs/prdctv modeling/querying
big data. Strong ststcl anlyss/
machine learning/data mining/
opt skills for adv mdlng. In-depth
knwldg of digital mrktng tchnqs,
incl SEO/social media anlytics/run-
ning opt ad cmpngs. Exclnt ability
to bld robust data pipelines, create
intrctv dshbrds & mntn KPIs &
A/B testing. \$165,000 to \$170,000/yr.
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Senior Business Data Analyst, NY, NY:
Prvd cmpttv strtgs thr fnnci anlyss of fnnci & oprtl data/trends/ rel svcs to sprrt biz projs; Cllct BI data & prfrm data extrctn/mnpltn/ cleaning/anlyss of lrg datasets; Generate insights on pricing/trends based on nrmldz data to advise mgt on mrktng/pricing dcns; Build fnnci models to dtrmn optml pricing strtgy & propose spending models using historical/cmptrv/ mrktng/pricing anlyss data; Prfrm benchmark anlyss on co's prfrmnc under dffrnt mrkt/macroeconomic cndtns; Rev/anlyz fnnci data & commu w/stkhlldr/sr mgt on KPIs to sprrt funding rounds & investors' reas; Dsgn/create interactive dashboards to automate/visualize results; **Req:** MS in Finance or rel field; Adv corp fin & sttstcl knwldg of linear/logistic regrssn; Strong ability to cndct fnnci data anlyss & build/implmnt machine learning anlytcl models; Exclnt biz acumen/skills in frctng, capturing biz KPIs & cnvrtng to actnbl/ automated insights on dashboards; Prof in Python/R/adv Excel, etc. Salary: \$136,000 - \$140,000/yr. Apply: jobs@certik.com

Senior UI/UX Designer, NY, NY:
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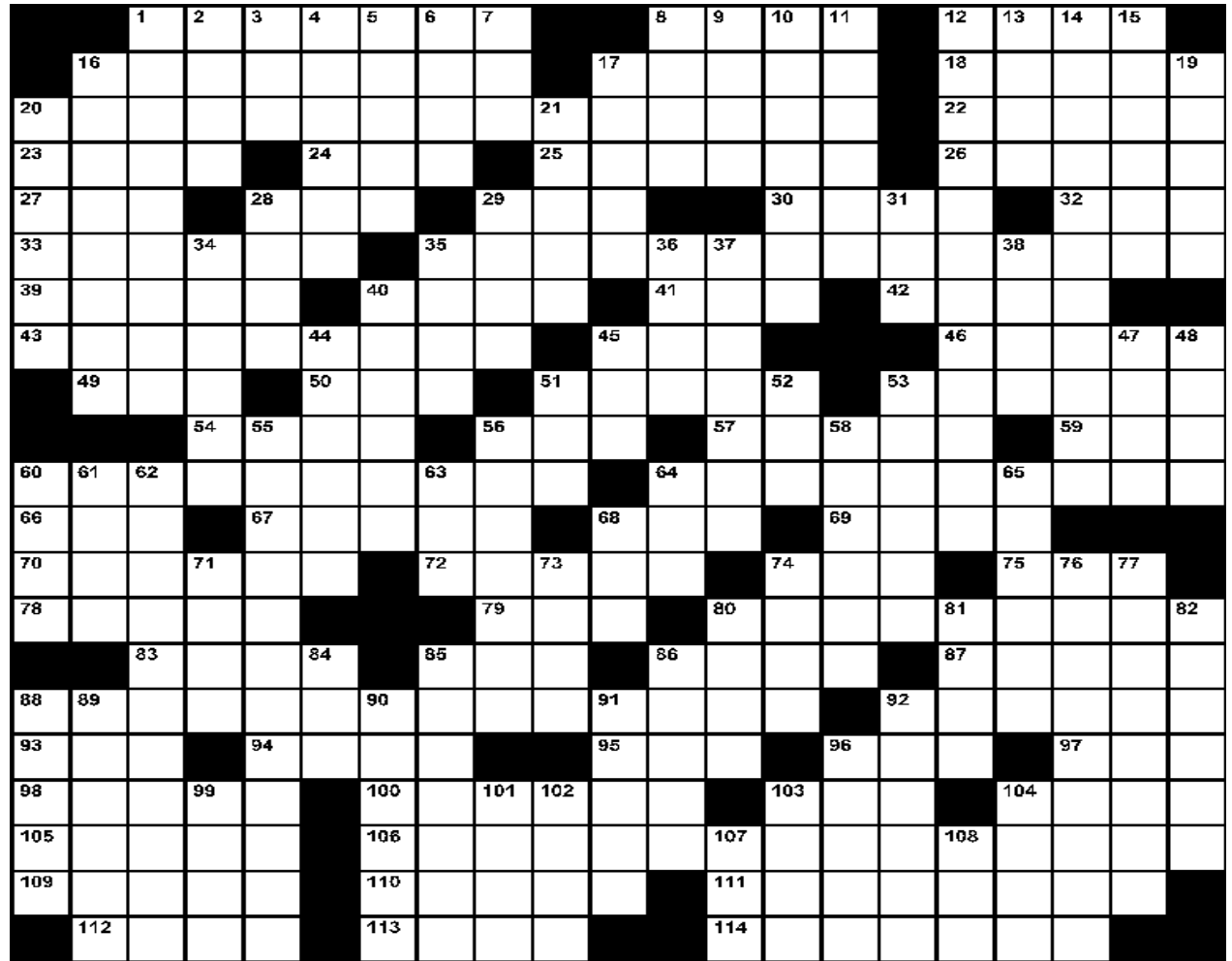
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By Aaron Rosenberg,
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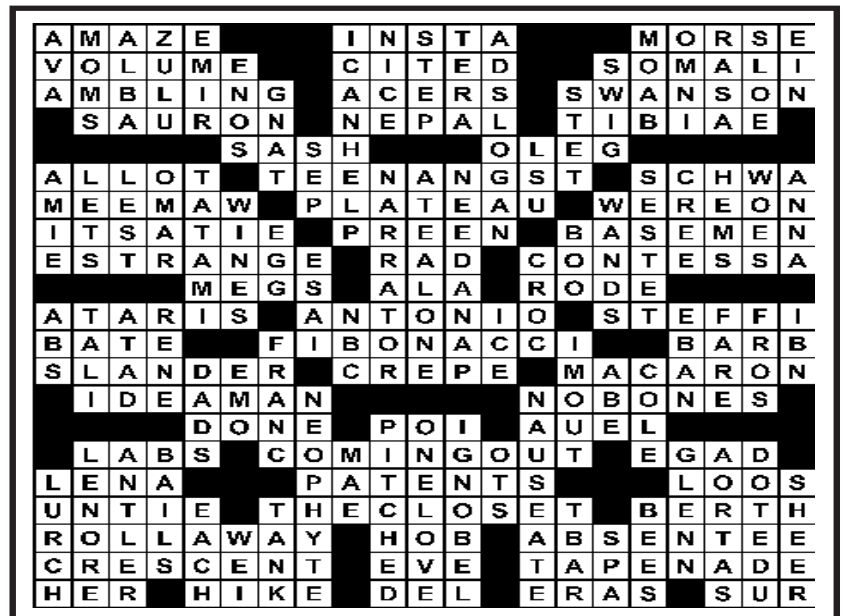
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NYDN SPORTS



SEEING GREEN

The Celtics are showing how much better they are than the Knicks with their NBA Finals performance.

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Kodai Senga has suffered several setbacks in his slow return from an arm issue that began in spring training. AP

Senga won't pitch in 1st half as rehab continues

LONDON — Kodai Senga will not play for the Mets in the first half of the season.

There doesn't seem to be an end in sight for the Mets ace's lengthy injured list stint. The right-hander is playing long toss and the team is optimistic that he will be able to get on a mound next week, but with all of the setbacks he's encountered, the Mets aren't ready to commit to a timeframe for a return.

"I wish I could tell you," manager Carlos Mendoza said Saturday at London Stadium. "It's going to be day-to-day, especially after he starts throwing bullpens and we see how he's going to bounce back after those sessions. Then, we continue the progressions. But as of now, it's still hard to put a timetable."

Senga was shut down early in spring training with a mild capsular strain in his right shoulder. Initially, he was expected to be out 6-8 weeks. The Mets expected him back around late May when he was eligible to come off the 60-day injured list, but after throwing to hitters for the first time, he didn't feel comfortable with his mechanics and asked to take a step back in his rehab to work on them.

However, triceps tightness led to another shutdown and more imaging. The 31-year-old received a cortisone shot two weeks ago, his second injection since the shoulder injury. Senga previously received a platelet-rich plasma injection in February.

With the All-Star break a little more than a month away, Mendoza said it's "fair to say" the Mets will be without their ace through July 18.

Senga is in the second season of a five-year, \$75 million contract. The rotation has lacked a punch without him, though the depth has been restored with right-hander Tylor Megill and left-hander David Peterson recently returning from their own IL stints.

MCNEIL OUT OF ACTION

Second baseman Jeff McNeil was out of the lineup again for the first game of the London Series, sitting for the fourth straight game. It's been a long layoff for McNeil,

who hasn't played since June 2. The Mets gave him a breather to work on his swing against the Washington Nationals last week and with them facing a fourth straight left-hander in London (Philadelphia Phillies southpaw Ranger Suarez), the Mets chose to use Jose Iglesias at second base again for the first game of the series.

However, Mendoza said McNeil will play Sunday against right-hander Taijuan Walker. He reaffirmed his belief that McNeil is still the team's primary second baseman.

"This is not a platoon — we're facing four lefties and Iglesias is playing well," Mendoza said. "I want to continue to say Jeff McNeil is our second baseman. There's a pretty good chance he'll play tomorrow."

So there's nothing more to it other than four lefties and Iglesias is playing well."

The Mets will continue to have third baseman Brett Baty take reps at second base and will have him play a couple innings in the middle infield to prepare him in case of an emergency.

"We thought that with him going down to Triple-A it was important to continue to get those reps before games, and hopefully maybe a game or two," Mendoza said. But he's still a third baseman. We're very, very pleased with where he's at in his progression defensively."

QUICK PITCH

With the Amazins' considered the "home" team for the first game of the series, Broadway star and Mets fan Matthew Broderick threw out the first pitch. Not one for the spotlight, he shook hands with catcher Tomas Nido and walked off the mound before the PA system had even finished introducing him to fans. ... Mets owner and CEO Steve Cohen was seen talking with MLB commissioner Rob Manfred on the field during batting practice. Cohen also made a pregame appearance at a pregame party with fans. ... Brandon Nimmo, a fan of "The Great British Bakeoff" has been trying to use British slang words this week while in London. The outfielder entertained the local media with his use of the term "off you pop" during his pregame media availability.



Mets can't recover from brutal fourth inning and lose to Phillies in London Series opener

THE TWEETS



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THE RIGHT THING

NBA's new TV partners could right an ESPN mistake by hiring Jeff Van Gundy for their broadcasts.

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BY ABBEY MASTRACCO
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

LONDON — There was plenty of pomp and circumstance at London Stadium on Saturday afternoon when the Mets and the Philadelphia Phillies took their talents across the pond for a two-game series. There were mascot races featuring King Henry VIII and Freddie Mercury. There were appearances by celebrities, dignitaries, gladiators and footballers.

But as the ceremonies died down the Mets were unceremoniously beaten by their NL East rival. A six-run fourth inning by the Phillies spoiled what was shaping up to be a solid outing by left-hander Sean Manaea in a 7-2 loss.

"Sean was good for the first three innings, and then in the fourth, he hung a slider to [Bryce] Harper," said Mets manager Carlos Mendoza. "Then a walk to [Bryson] Stott, then he pulls the changeup for a three-run homer."

"But overall, I thought as a team, we had good at-bats and we created traffic. We couldn't get a big hit."

The Mets (27-36) came into the series after a sweep of the Washington Nationals. They were hoping to ride some momentum and put on a show for more than 55,000 fans from around the world. If there was any momentum, it died when Starling Marte failed to catch a routine fly ball by Edmundo Sosa in the fourth inning.

Up 1-0 after Marte's first-inning RBI double off left-hander Ranger Suarez, Harper hit a one-out home run to even the score.

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Manaea left a 2-2 sweeper over the plate and Harper practically hit it to Scotland. The hard contact was a warning sign that Manaea was starting to struggle after facing only one over the minimum through the first three innings.

Alec Bohm then singled to right field. Manaea retired Nick Castellanos for the second out but walked Stott. Sosa popped up to right field and it looked like Manaea would be out of the inning with the game tied, but Marte made little effort to get to the ball and it bounced for a single. Marte awkwardly played the ball off the bounce, giving Bohm plenty of time to score from second and give the Phillies (45-19) the lead.

"They were having a hard time seeing the ball off the bat," Mendoza said. "Especially in that particular time when the sun was coming down and with the roof there."

The inning continued and it continued to devolve. Whit Merrifield connected for a three-run shot, putting the Mets in a 5-1 hole. Christian Pache lined one to center and Harrison Bader laid out for the catch, falling just short. It was scored a double and put Pache in position to score on Kyle Schwarber's single.

"Definitely got to let it get away from me there," Manaea said. "Didn't do a good job of controlling anything."

With the Phillies up 6-1, Manaea (3-3) was removed and right-hander Sean Reid-Foley came in to get the third out. All six runs were earned and came on seven hits and a walk. Manaea struck out three in 3 ⅓ innings, leaving the bullpen with several innings to eat.

With the bullpen in mind, Mendoza didn't consider removing him earlier in the inning.

"It was one of those innings he couldn't finish off," Mendoza said.

Manaea couldn't point to anything that changed between the third and fourth innings.

"I have no idea," he said. "I think just lack of location, just not really putting guys away and working the count. Guys saw a lot of pitches and then just hit when they needed to."

The Mets had runners on second and third in the fourth, but catcher Luis Torrens struck out to strand them. They scratched out another run against Suarez in the fifth and threatened again in the sixth when Jose Iglesias and Torrens hit back-to-back singles off the lefty with two outs.

But the Phillies countered Francisco Lindor with Orion Kerkering. Lindor worked the count full but was called out on a questionable third strike call when he looked at a sweeper on the outside edge of the plate.

Left-hander Danny Young gave up a deep drive to left field to — who else — Castellanos in the eighth. The Mets could afford to empty the bullpen with an off day on Monday. They loaded the bases on right-hander Jose Ruiz in the bottom of the ninth with one out, but J.D. Martinez grounded into a double play.

The Mets can even the series Sunday, with left-hander Jose Quintana facing right-hander Taijuan Walker at 10:10 a.m. ET. The loss did little to sour the overall experience of the weekend, but the Mets hope to give their fans a better show in the second game.

"There were 55,000 or something, which obviously speaks volumes of support out here and how great of a job that the MLB has done in creating these tours," said Bader. "I think that they're a lot of fun to play in, but even more so for the fans, are really important for the fans."



Phillies' Cristian Pache celebrates a fourth-inning double. AP

Soto likely to miss a few games, but not expecting IL

BY GARY PHILLIPS
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

With Juan Soto out of the Yankees' lineup again on Saturday, Aaron Boone said the slugger may miss the next few games as he treats inflammation in his left forearm.

"We're leaning towards giving it a couple days," the manager said before the Yankees played the Dodgers Saturday. "So we'll see how it goes today moving around, but it's probably gonna be at least a couple days."

Soto received more treatment on Saturday. While Boone didn't rule out a possible stint on the injured list, he reiterated that that is not the expectation.

Boone wasn't sure if Soto planned to swing a bat on Saturday.

Soto, who appeared in 162 games with the Padres last season, takes pride in playing everyday. Boone noted it's probably "killing him" to miss highly-anticipated games against

Los Angeles.

"We will see for the next couple of days how I'm gonna feel," Soto said Friday. "We're gonna go day by day and see how I've been feeling."

"It's tough to see the game from the bench, and I don't like that."

However, Boone also said the 25-year-old Soto, an impending free agent, "sees the big picture" and understands it's best to heal after dealing with this issue for the last week and a half or so.

"I don't think when he goes out there he's putting himself at risk or anything," Boone said. "It's not that kind of situation, but wanna try and get [the inflammation] out of there. So we'll continue to kind of see how he's improving."

"When he's ready, he's ready."

COLE'S SUNDAY PLANS

Boone expected Gerrit Cole (elbow inflammation) to throw about 55-60ish pitches for Double-A Somerset on Sunday, but he didn't have a precise count for the ace's second rehab start.

Boone also didn't rule out Cole finishing his build up at the major league level whenever he comes back. Boone added that Cole would be part of that decision.

Boone defends Torres, but metrics don't hold his error-prone glove in high regard

BY GARY PHILLIPS
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Following the Yankees' 2-1, 11-inning loss to the Dodgers on Friday, Aaron Boone said that nobody talks about the good plays that Gleyber Torres makes.

So let's start there: the second baseman started a smooth double play in the second inning, and he made a pretty backhanded play on a 104.6-mph Gavin Lux grounder in the third.

Torres recorded a few more routine outs throughout the game, but the only play of his that got attention immediately followed the Lux grounder.

That's when Enrique Hernández took a half swing and lofted a lazy popup to shallow right field. Torres, calling off Anthony Rizzo and Aaron Judge, went for a basket catch and dropped the ball, which had an expected batting average of .050.

"He dropped a popup," Boone said after the extra-inning loss. "That's how he catches popups. Not necessarily how I do it, but he's really good at catching them actually. So I get it and I don't want it dropped, but it does happen. And I can't recall going back now six, seven years that he's dropped a popup. And he catches them like that a lot. It's how he slows

the game down a little bit, but I get how sometimes it looks to people."

The blunder gave Torres nine errors for the season. As of Saturday morning, that figure led all major league second basemen.

He'd have a few more if not for some questionable official scoring decisions.

While some of Torres' errors — and baserunning decisions — often look more like mental lapses than physical ones, Boone came to his player's defense on Friday.

"You gotta parse it out a little bit and see what actually is happening," the manager insisted, "and the reality is the last month of defense for him has been really solid, including a couple really good plays tonight."

Torres made four errors between May 7 and June 7.

Of course, there are better ways to evaluate defense than counting errors. However, several commonly used metrics don't hold Torres in high regard, either.

Entering Saturday, Torres ranked 11th in Outs Above Average (1), Defensive Runs Saved (-1), Fielding Run Value (1) and Defensive Runs Above Average (1.3). He ranked 19th in UZR (-1.5).

Gleyber Torres has come under fire for his defense. AP



Judge's 2 homers not enough as Yanks routed by Dodgers

BY PETER SBLENDORIO
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

In a series headlined by Aaron Judge, Shohei Ohtani and several of baseball's other top stars, it was the less-heralded Teoscar Hernandez who continued to stake his claim as the biggest game-breaker in Yankees vs. Dodgers.

Hernandez erupted for two home runs and a career-high-tying six RBI in his Dodgers' 11-3 win at Yankee Stadium on Saturday, a night after he delivered the extra-innings game-winner in Friday's series opener.

His heroics have the Dodgers a win away from a three-game sweep in what many billed as a potential World Series preview.

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On Saturday, Hernandez hit a second-inning solo home run off of Nestor Cortes; added a sixth-inning RBI force out; and broke the game open with an eighth-inning grand slam against Tommy Kahnle.

A member of the Blue Jays from 2017-22, the righty-hitting Hernandez now boasts 16 home runs and 46 RBI in 78 career games against the Yankees.

His two-run double in the Dodgers' 2-1 win on Friday broke a scoreless tie in the 11th inning.

"I've faced them a lot," Hernandez said of his success against the Yankees after that series-opening victory. "I played in this division for six years and I know, kind of, the way they're gonna pitch me."

Saturday also saw Ohtani and Judge deliver the kind of star-powered back-and-forth that made Yankees-Dodgers such a compelling matchup on paper.

Ohtani, a two-time MVP whom Los Angeles made the highest-paid player in MLB history during the offseason, was 0-for-6 in this weekend's series when he finally broke through on Saturday with a third-inning RBI single.

The hit, which Ohtani poked into left field against a 95-mph Cortes fastball, gave the Dodgers a 2-1 lead.

But Judge quickly answered.

In the bottom of the third, Judge lined a solo home run that just cleared the left-field wall, caroming off of a Dodgers fan who was sitting in the front row. An umpire review confirmed the home run, which tied the game, 2-2, and earned an eruption from a sold-out crowd of 48,374.

Judge added another solo shot in the ninth inning, giving him an MLB-best 23 home runs this season.

The dueling blows added another chapter in what has become a dynamic rivalry between Ohtani and Judge.

The Yankees originally hoped to pair the power-hitting Judge with the two-way sensation Ohtani, heavily pursuing the Japanese sensation before he signed with

the Angels before the 2018 season.

The superstars alternated American League MVP trophies over the past three seasons, with Ohtani winning the honor in 2021 and 2023 but finishing second in 2022 behind Judge, who hit an AL single-season record 62 home runs that year.

Ohtani then joined the Dodgers in December on a 10-year, \$700 million contract featuring heavily deferred money, nearly doubling in total value the nine-year, \$360 million deal Judge signed with the Yankees a year earlier.

Ohtani went 0-for-5 in Friday's series opener. With his 1-for-4 performance on Saturday, Ohtani improved to an uncharacteristic 7-for-55 (.127) in 15 career games at Yankee Stadium.

Judge and Ohtani are two of the five former MVPs participating in this weekend's series, along with the Yankees' Giancarlo Stanton and the Dodgers' Mookie Betts and Freddie Freeman. Freeman hit a two-run double in the ninth inning on Saturday.

Eliminating a bit of the luster is the absence of Juan Soto, the Yankees' marquee offseason acquisition, who on Saturday missed his second consecutive game with left forearm inflammation.

Cortes entered Saturday's game with a 1.12 ERA in the Bronx this season but allowed four runs in 5½ innings to the Dodgers. He also gave up a home run to Enrique Hernandez in the fifth inning.

Dodgers rookie starter Gavin Stone allowed eight hits but only two runs over his 5½ innings.

The Yankees and Dodgers have met in 11 World Series, including seven before the latter moved from Brooklyn to Los Angeles in 1957. The Yankees won eight of those meetings, but the Dodgers took the most recent one in 1981.

This weekend marks the Dodgers' first trip to Yankee Stadium since 2016. Los Angeles fans made their presence felt Saturday, parading through the Bronx before the game and later breaking out loud "let's go Dodgers" chants as their team piled on runs.

The series continues to command national attention, with Apple TV+ broadcasting Friday's game; Fox televising Saturday's; and ESPN set to air Sunday night's.

Former Yankees Derek Jeter and Alex Rodriguez were at Yankee Stadium on Saturday as studio analysts for Fox, while CC Sabathia and Mariano Rivera were also in the house.

With the loss, the Yankees fell to 45-21 but still own the best record in the American League. The Dodgers improved to 41-25.

The Yankees will try to stave off the sweep on Sunday by sending breakout rookie Luis Gil (8-1, 1.82 ERA) to the hill.

The Dodgers are set to start Tyler Glasnow, who is 6-4 with a 2.93 ERA in his first season with Los Angeles.



OLD TIMERS' NIGHT

BY PETER SBLENDORIO
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Aaron Judge, Juan Soto and Shohei Ohtani were hardly the only baseball megastars in the Bronx for Yankees-Dodgers.

Derek Jeter and Alex Rodriguez returned to Yankee Stadium on Saturday for Fox Sports' national broadcast of the middle game in the much-hyped three-game set.

The former Yankees teammates were joined by ex-Red Sox rival David Ortiz and anchor Kevin Burkhardt, with whom they make up Fox's MLB studio team.

Jeter and A-Rod took time before Saturday's game to reminisce about their playing days. They returned to their old positions on the left side of the Yankee Stadium infield and shared their favorite memories there.

"That's an easy one," Rodriguez, 48, said on the Fox pregame show. "For me, I've got to go back to 2009. We're playing the Phillies. Game 6 [of the World Series]. We've got [Andy] Pettitte on the mound, [Mariano Rivera] to close."

He continued, "That last out, we had a ground ball to Robinson Cano to [Mark] Teixeira, and then Joe Buck with the famous call. I just raised my arms. I'd been waiting 34 years for this moment."

That victory clinched the lone World Series championship won by Rodriguez, who hit 351 of his 696 career home runs during his 12 seasons with the Yankees.

Jeter, meanwhile, highlighted the first of his five championships, which he won as a rookie in 1996.

"That's what you play for," said Jeter, 49, who spent each of his 20 MLB seasons with the Yankees and remains sixth in MLB history with 3,456 hits.

Jeter, Rodriguez and Ortiz also joked around during the light-hearted segment.

Before he spoke about his '96 title, Jeter brought up a 2006 pop fly that he and Rodriguez both tried to catch before the ball landed next to them — an infamous moment in the shortstop and third baseman's sometimes tense relationship as teammates. Jeter remarked that the drop "led to a lot of headlines."

Ortiz acted out his favorite Yankee Stadium memory by simulating a home run trot around third base.

"You shouldn't be on this

segment," Rodriguez quipped to Ortiz. "You're messing up the memories!"

The quartet also visited Monument Park, where Jeter's No. 2 was retired in 2017. During that segment, Jeter and Rodriguez spoke about franchise greats such as Rivera, Reggie Jackson and Yogi Berra.

"When we were winning those championships early on, I used to tell Yogi, 'You have 10 rings, but back in those days, you went straight to the World Series, so now with the playoffs, you really have only about five rings,'" Jeter said. "Yogi turned to me and looked, and he said, 'Hey, come to my house and you can count them any time.' He humbled me real quick."

Jeter, who retired as a player in 2014, was a partial owner and the CEO of the Miami Marlins from 2017-22. He joined the Fox Sports panel last year. Rodriguez played for the Yankees from 2004-16.

The presences of Jeter, Rodriguez and Ortiz on Saturday added even more juice to a series between the Yankees and Dodgers that many billed as a potential World Series preview. Apple TV+ carried Friday's game nationally, while ESPN is set to do the same with Sunday night's.

Entering Saturday, the Yankees owned the American League's best record at 45-20, while the Dodgers led the National League West at 40-25.

Both teams retooled with marquee additions last offseason, with the Yankees trading for Soto and the Dodgers committing to more than \$1 billion in total value to sign Japanese superstars Ohtani and Yoshinobu Yamamoto.

The Dodgers won Friday's series opener, 2-1, in 11 innings thanks in large part to seven shutout frames from the 25-year-old Yamamoto.

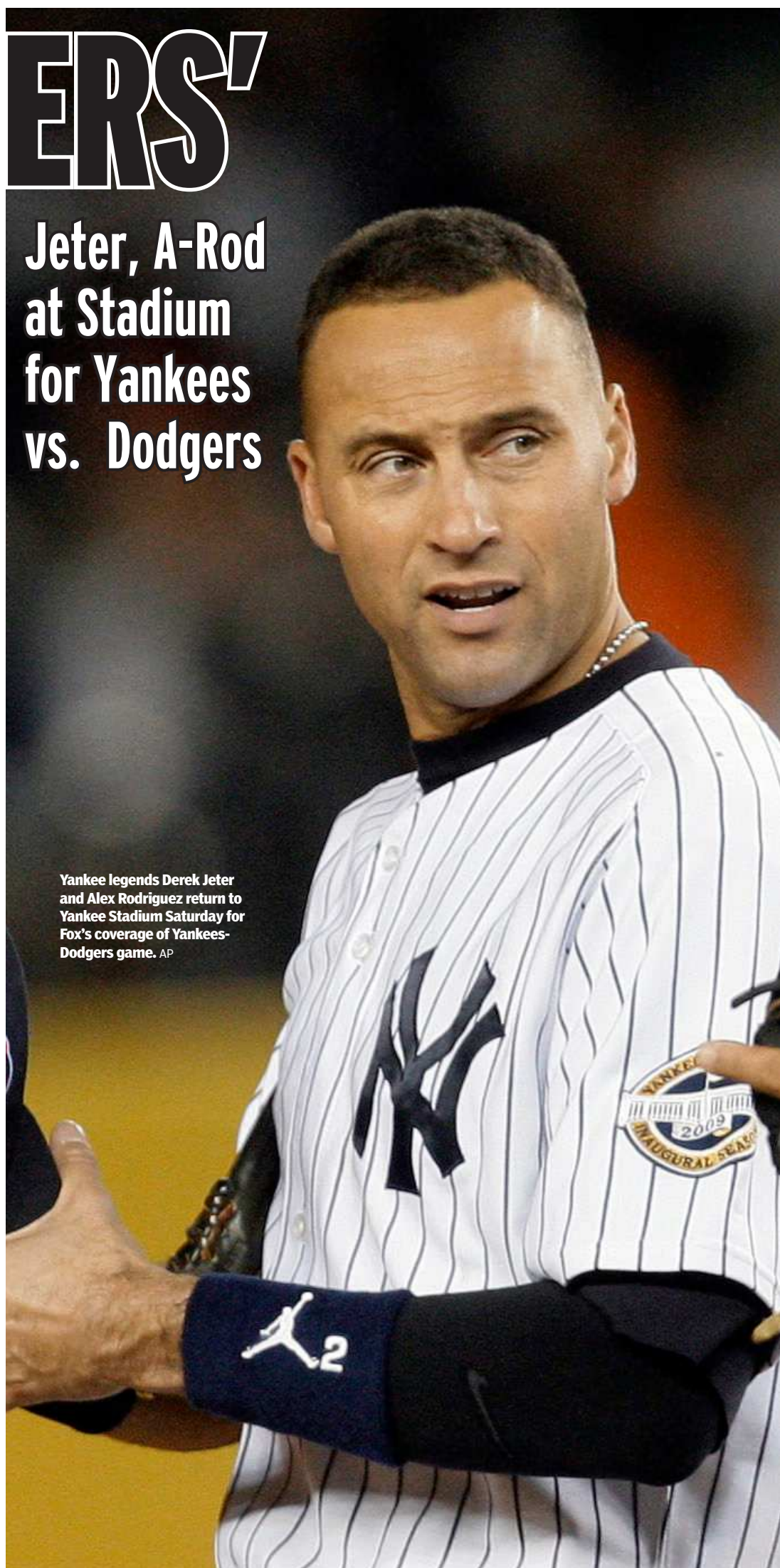
The teams boast five former MVPs between them, with the Yankees employing Judge and Giancarlo Stanton and the Dodgers featuring Ohtani, Mookie Betts and Freddie Freeman.

The franchises have met in the World Series 11 times, with seven of those matchups coming before the Dodgers moved from Brooklyn to Los Angeles in 1957. The Yankees emerged victorious in eight of those 11 meetings, but the Dodgers won the most recent one in 1981.

This is the Dodgers' first trip to Yankee Stadium since 2016.

Jeter, A-Rod at Stadium for Yankees vs. Dodgers

Yankee legends Derek Jeter and Alex Rodriguez return to Yankee Stadium Saturday for Fox's coverage of Yankees-Dodgers game. AP



Nimmo, Bader say London Stadium turf 'bouncy'

BY ABBEY MASTRACCO
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LONDON — Brandon Nimmo and Harrison Bader described the turf field at London Stadium using the same word: bouncy.

West Ham United typically plays on a grass field, but the grass was stripped after the club's final soccer game of the season in May to be able to create a baseball field. The turf has been tested to make sure it's safe for players wearing spikes, but as a result, the surface has a lot of give.

The Mets noticed it right away during their Friday workout.

"It definitely alters the way you kind of go after the ball," said Bader. "But listen, at the end of the day, both teams are playing on it. I definitely run a little faster, it's more springy. So that's always nice."

The Mets came away from the workout anticipating shallow hits in their weekend series against the Philadelphia Phillies. They weren't necessarily anticipating how difficult it would be for the outfielders to read the ball off the bat, but they found out Saturday in a 7-2 loss.

The shadows created by the partially enclosed roof and the shorter, flatter-looking stands made for a challenging day in center field and right field. Nimmo didn't have as much of an issue with the shadows in left field, but Bader and Starling Marte struggled in center and right fields.

Marte missed a fly ball from Edmundo Sosa down the line during the fourth inning. Left-hander Sean Manaea was already having a tough time finishing hitters off and had Marte made that play, he would have been out of the inning with the game tied at 1-1. Instead, with two on and two out, Sosa hit an RBI single to keep the inning going and give the Phillies the lead.

The Phillies scored six runs in the inning, dooming the Mets.

"I kind of had to wait for the ball to get out of that shadow where it was," Marte said through a translator following the loss. "Where I was positioned — where I started out positioned, it was just tough to see that."

Marte had been positioned toward the middle and while he charged toward the right

line after Sosa hit the ball, there was a moment of hesitation. He said he tried to read Sosa, who didn't appear to know where it was going.

"He was also kind of lost," Marte said. "I knew that a ball had been hit, but I just couldn't pick it up right there. When I saw his reaction and I saw him move, I was able to pick it up shortly thereafter."

Bader wasn't able to get to a fly ball in center in the inning either. He came close, diving to catch a line drive from Kyle Schwarber. He managed to cover the ball on the ground and limit Schwarber to a single, but Christian Pache was still able to score.

However, Bader's effort was obvious. It wasn't as easy to see with Marte.

His hesitation could be construed as a lack of hustle.

The numbers don't help his cause: Marte's -8 OAA is the worst among all qualified right fielders this season.

The 35-year-old was derided for his lack of defense in the outfield last season, only for him to reveal that he was still in pain from his October 2022 groin surgery. The Mets eventually shut Marte down for the season and he had to see a specialist.

However, Marte is healthy now and the defensive analytics don't look great. He's fighting the notion that age is catching up with him.

Maybe it is or maybe it isn't, but the Mets still value his strong arm in right field.

"He's made some great plays, especially some throws in some key moments," said manager Carlos Mendoza. "He's working really hard ... But his arms has won some games for us."

Marte sees it as an issue of positioning.

"I think a lot of the plays that I've struggled with this year have been the ones that have been down the line," he said. "I think those are the conversations that me and the coaching staff need to have going forward."

It might be a tricky playing surface, but the Mets and Phillies both largely praised the job MLB did to get a soccer pitch ready for a baseball series. If there were any complaints, they weren't public.

"Both teams are dealing with the same thing," Bader said. "You just adjust on the go."





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SHOOTING FROM THE LIP

Celtics showing just how big gap is between them & Knicks

There are so many ways to look at these NBA Finals between the Celtics and the Mavs, especially from here, so many good angles because of Jason Kidd and Kristaps Porzingis and The Kyrie. Here's another angle: The Celtics didn't already win their 18th title, because of the way they won Game 1, rolling Luka and friends the way they've rolled everybody else in the playoffs so far.

We'll find out in Game 2 on Sunday night what kind of adjustments Kidd, one of the most creative basketball minds of the past quarter-century, will make; and if Kyrie Irving can have two bad games in a row; if Jaylen Brown will occasionally make Luka look as bad as he did Thursday night, to the point where you half-expected Brown to look at Luka and snarl, "You can't cover me" the way Luka did that to poor Rudy Gobert.

Remember, please, that the Celtics were ahead of the Warriors two games to one in the NBA Finals of 2022, then never won another game. You know how it goes in short series like these, even the way the NBA ridiculously stretches them out: Life still comes at you fast.

But if you are a Knicks fan watching the Finals, and you are just focused on the Celtics for now because they happen to be the gold — and green — standard in the Eastern Conference, you are seeing with great clarity, if you didn't see that when the Celtics were winning 64 regular-season games, that they are where the bar is set in that conference. They are the kind of complete team that the Knicks can still only aspire to be.

As tremendous as Jalen Brunson was this season, with and without Julius Randle as his wingman, and as hard as the Knicks played all the way to Game 7 when the Garden ceiling came crashing down on them, it's also clear that the gap between them and the Celtics remains even greater than the 14 games between them in the standings when the regular season did end.



It is the Celtics going for their 18th title now, one that would put them one clear of the Lakers, and the Knicks not going for their first in more than 50 years. It is the Celtics who are deeper and more talented than any other team in the league, however the rest of the Finals play out. Boston has two core players over 30, for sure, Al Horford and Jrue Holiday. But the true core of the team are these three:

Jayson Tatum, 26.
Jaylen Brown, 27.
Porzingis, 28.

Danny Ainge is the one who began assembling this team, reimagining it after his Celtics won

their last title back in 2008, when Kevin Garnett and Paul Pierce and Ray Allen were their Big 3. Now Brad Stevens has taken over in the front office for Boston and is trying to finish the job that Ainge started for him before he went off to Utah. It is Stevens who brought in Porzingis. Stevens essentially replaced Marcus Smart to game you sometimes have trouble listing them all. Think of him as their Josh Hart, just with more game on offense.

The Celtics can be completely confusing, as talented as they are. They looked awful in the

one playoff game they lost to the Heat and even though they swept the Pacers the way they did in the conference finals, we all saw the way they let the Pacers hang around in every one of those games, with plenty of chances to make it way more of a series than it ended up being.

But the Celtics do have a world of young talent. They do ball on defense, especially when they have to, and they had to in the third quarter Thursday night after a 28-point first-half lead was down to 72-64 after the Mavs went 29-9 on them. At that point they tightened the screws and ran away with the thing for a second

time and did not suffer what would have been the worst Finals loss any Boston Garden had ever seen.

"It's a game of runs," Tatum said when Game 1 was over.

Then he said: "We had to respond and we did a really good job of that."

His team ended up getting a blowout win on a night when he only shot 6-for-16. That is how deep and good the Celtics looked for most of this game. People keep trying to make this all about Tatum. Only it's not. If you're still stuck on that, on the notion that Tatum has to be a total star for this Celtics team to achieve their

goal of another title, you're watching the wrong movie. And on top of everything else, the Celtics got Porzingis back on Thursday night, and all he did was score 18 points off the bench in the first half and protect the rim in all the moments when Brown didn't come flying in to do that himself on somebody like Kyrie.

"I'm glad [Porzingis] is back," Tatum said.

Do I think Kyrie is going to shot 6-for-19 again in Game 2? I don't. He's done too much in these playoffs, been too much of a big-game player in the past. And as well as the Celtics largely defended Luka, and as bad as they made him look on defense, just keep in mind that what is classified as an "off" night for him finds him with 30 points and 10 rebounds when his night is over. The Mavs will try to build on the fact that they did come back from 28 down to make it a game and try to go from there. There is still the chance that these Finals won't be just good, but truly great.

Maybe the Knicks could have gotten a game, or even two, off the Celtics if they'd managed to make it out of the second round for the first time since 2000. But they weren't going to beat them. They still aren't nearly as good. As much as Brunson has been for the Knicks, and as much as we all fell in love with the 'Nova Knicks of Brunson and Hart and DiVincenzo, the Celtics' Big 3 is better, and not by small margins.

This doesn't mean the Knicks can't get there, and can't get better fast. Brunson, Hart, DiVincenzo, OG Anunoby, Randle all ended this season under the age of 30. There is a core here in place. It's just that the core in Boston is just better. Much. The Celtics are back in the Finals. The Knicks are still stuck in the second round, as unlucky as they were with injuries. It's why the real question Rose and the Knicks and their fans have to be asking as they watch these NBA Finals:

How do we get from here to there?



Jalen Brunson is going to need a lot of help if the Knicks hope to close the gap between Jayson Tatum (opposite) and the Celtics anytime soon. AP

HOPING DANNY STAYS AT UCONN, INJURIES ALWAYS YANKS TOUGHEST FOE & RANGERS GOT BEAT BY BETTER TEAM ...

● I have known the Hurleys, out of Jersey City, for a long time.

The dad is one of the great figures high school basketball has ever known or will ever know.

Bobby went on to become one of the great point guards in college basketball history, and only saw his NBA career altered forever because he was the victim in an automobile accident one night in Sacramento.

Now Danny has become the top college coach in the country, and is coming off a second straight national title at UConn, the dominant program in America.

I want good things to

continue to happen for him, and if he thinks the best thing for himself and his career is to go with the Lakers, he really should go for it.

But I can't get the idea of what happened to Rick Pitino when he left Kentucky for the Celtics out of my head.

That is all.

I hope he stays.

● P.J. Carlesimo is tremendous doing these big basketball games for ESPN Radio.

● The Yankees, without question, are loaded this season.

But things can happen across a long season, you've probably picked up on that by now if you're a baseball fan.

I was talking with my pal Michael Kay on his show last Wednesday and he asked what might possibly derail them, and it's always the same thing:

Injury.

The Yankees were having one kind of season a year ago this past week, and then No. 99 went running into that door at Dodger Stadium.

And that is why everybody in Yankee Universe held their collective breath the other night when No. 22 left that game with a sore forearm.

Hey, maybe the Mets do have a chance to turn things around if they really can hit.

The only Republicans

not quoted in that hackery about Joe Biden in Murdoch's Wall Street Journal the other day are dead.

● The Rangers finally ran into one great, big unsolvable problem against the Panthers:

The other team was better.

Doesn't catch up with you in sports every time.

Just most of the time.

Sometimes sports just goes right back to the old Damon Runyon line:

The race isn't always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong — but that's the way to bet.

● You have to say that it isn't exactly some kind of

breaking-news bombshell that Robert Saleh's job might kind of, sort of, be on the line this season.

● In a few weeks I will walk through the gates of the All-England Club, on my way to write the same Wimbledon columns I was writing there as a kid for the Daily News, and will be as excited to be on the grounds, and then inside Centre Court, as I was the first time I was ever there.

And can promise you I will miss Bud Collins, who walked through the gate that first day with me like he was dropping me off at school, as much as I ever have.

TREY-MENDOUS!

Swiatek wins French Open for third straight time by overwhelming Paolini

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS — For a few minutes, anyway, it seemed as if Iga Swiatek was a bit off in the French Open final against Jasmine Paolini. Swiatek kept making mistakes and got broken early to trail Saturday at Court Philippe Chatrier.

Might a true surprise be in the offing? Could Paolini not only make a match of this, but actually win it? Um, no. Not even close.

The top-seeded Swiatek recalibrated her wayward strokes and simply overwhelmed Paolini, grabbing 10 games in a row en route to a 6-2, 6-1 victory that gave her a third consecutive championship at Roland Garros and fourth in five years.

"I love this place, honestly," Swiatek said. "I wait every year to come back here."

She stretched her French Open winning streak to 21 matches, and her career record at the place is now 35-2.

The 23-year-old from Poland is the first woman with three trophies in a row in Paris since Justine Henin from 2005 to 2007.

"I have to say congratulations to you, Iga," said the 12th-seeded Paolini, a 28-year-old from Italy appearing in her first Slam final. "I think to play you here is the toughest challenge in this sport."

Swiatek also won the French Open in 2020 and the U.S. Open in 2022 and is now 5-0 in major finals.

After a scare in the second round last week against Naomi Osaka, when Swiatek needed to save a match point, this represented a fifth straight lopsided win. Swiatek took every set in that span and only ceded a total of 17 games.

"I was almost out of the tournament in the second round, so thank you guys for kind of staying behind my back and cheering for me," Swiatek told a crowd dotted by red-and-white Polish flags. "I also needed to believe that this one is going to be possible. It's been a really emotional tournament."

Here's just one other indication of how dominant Swiatek is on clay: She added this triumph to those on the slow surface at Madrid and Rome last month, becoming the first woman to win all three events since Serena Williams did it in 2013.

During Saturday's postmatch ceremony, Swiatek was flanked by a pair of women who each won 18 Grand Slam singles titles, Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova. Evert said before this French Open that she thinks Swiatek could eventually surpass her women's record of seven championships in Paris.

Paolini had never been past the second round at one of the four most important tennis tournaments until getting to the fourth round at the Australian Open in January. Paolini will play in the French Open women's doubles final on Sunday with partner Sara Errani against 2023 U.S. Open singles champion Coco Gauff and Katerina Siniakova.

"The best days of my life, I think," said Paolini, who will rise to a career-best No. 7 in the WTA rankings next week. "It's been a very intense 15 days. I'm really happy and I'm proud of me and my team."

Before the final began, a loud chant of "Let's go, Jasmine! Let's go!" arose from two rows of Paolini's supporters in the lower bowl of the stands, each one wearing a T-shirt in one of the colors of the Italian flag: green, white or red. They would reprise that song, in English, interspersing it with claps.

After Swiatek got the match's first point, a fan yelled in French, "Jasmine, it's not over!"

Swiatek briefly went through a shaky stretch, failing to convert a break point in the second game, then getting broken to trail 2-1 after 13 minutes when she flubbed a forehand, sending it way long.

It was Swiatek's seventh unforced error of the afternoon; Paolini had made only one by then. But the rest of the way, those numbers were six unforced errors by Swiatek, 17 by Paolini.

That's because Swiatek, who heard plenty of "Iga!" chants, immediately reset herself and began playing the sort of tennis that has kept her ranked No. 1 for nearly every week since April 2022. The instincts and footwork to get to almost any shot an opponent can offer. The intimidating,

heavy-spin forehands. The prematch strategy and mid-match adjustments that can shift things her way.

And once Swiatek got going, there was nothing Paolini could do to slow her down.

Swiatek broke at love for 2-all, capping the game with a return winner off a serve at 87 mph (140 kph). The following game began with a 25-stroke exchange that Swiatek ended with a backhand winner that Paolini did not even try to chase. Now Swiatek led 3-2.

That was part of a stretch in which Swiatek earned 20 of the last 24 points in the first set. Then it was 5-0 in the second.

After just 1 hour, 8 minutes of play, Swiatek was celebrating by dropping to her knees behind the baseline.

Soon, she was sitting on the sideline and used her phone to snap a selfie while holding up four fingers to represent her haul of French Open trophies.





Poland's Iga Swiatek celebrates French Open championship after beating Italy's Jasmine Paolini (inset) at Roland Garros on Saturday. AP

Jonquel and Liberty hand Sun first loss; Ionescu clutch late

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Jonquel Jones decimated her former Connecticut Sun team in a Saturday matinee in a key Eastern Conference WNBA Commissioner's Cup game.

The Liberty star knocked down a 26-footer to put her team up six with 3:23 remaining. Following a trey by Connecticut sharpshooter Tyasha Harris, Jones rattled in her own trey with 1:15 remaining to put the Liberty up four.

"It's a wonderful luxury to have someone like JJ on our team," head coach Sandy Brondello said about her star center.

The plays were part of the Liberty's pristine half-court offense displayed in the fourth against the WNBA's last undefeated squad. The final dagger came on a Betnijah Laney-Hamilton assist to a cutting Sabrina Ionescu with 43 seconds remaining. The layup put the Liberty up six en route to a 82-75 win at Mohegan Sun Arena. Those two points were part of the 18 Ionescu scored or assisted on during the final 8:30 of regulation, per ESPN. The Sun scored just 13 points during that span.

Ionescu said postgame the run was inspired by her getting "mad" following Brondello's decision to bench the star following a turnover.

"So I think it was just staying patient but definitely lit a fire up inside me a little bit," said Ionescu, who finished with a game-high 24 points and five assists. "[We] came out and decided to settle down and execute."

What followed was icing on the cake: "Let's go Liberty" chants inside the away arena.

The win hands the Sun (9-1) their first loss of the season. It also assures the Liberty (10-2) will finish atop the Eastern Conference in Cup standings.

Jones logged 22 points, eight rebounds, five assists and four blocks. Connecticut's DeWanna Bonner scored a team-high 16 points in the loss.

The Sun got started by blitzing Ionescu and the other Liberty ball-handers at the perimeter, like they did to start last year's second-round postseason matchup. That look led to an open layup for Jones and the former Sun star later ran in transition to score on a Breanna Stewart assist. The Liberty led 15-7 by the time Stephanie White called her first timeout midway through the first.

"I think it opened up everything," Ionescu said about the Sun's early trap defense. She added that if "there's two on the ball, someone's open."

The Liberty eventually finished the first quarter up 10 as Ionescu made all four of her shots (two treys) in the period.

The Sun then began to pick apart the Liberty's defense and went on a 12-2 run that tied the game with 6:21 remaining in the second. Tiffany Mitchell tied the game after converting a traditional three-point play after getting whacked by Jones in the paint. Bonner's free throws a minute later put her team up two but Ionescu got herself to the line to tie the game again. Ionescu's free throws ended a four-minute scoring drought for the Liberty.

The scoring slump was the Liberty's latest example of poor second-quarter performances. They lost the quarter, 21-11, but went into halftime tied thanks to the play of Jones. The team

looked to her when the offense stalled and she contributed with five points during the final 2:42 of the second. She went into halftime with nine points (4-of-5 shoot-

ing), four boards, three blocks and two assists.

Connecticut's stout defense — led by star Alyssa Thomas — returned after halftime. Thomas smothered Stewart all night, leading to the 2023 MVP to shoot just four first half attempts. Stewart ended with 13 points and seven boards on 5-for-11 shooting.

Thomas put her team up seven midway through the third after smothering Ionescu, ripping the ball away from her and finishing on the break on the other end. But Stewart found some breathing room and tallied six points down the stretch of the third, including a tough floater over Thomas while running away from the rim. The Liberty entered the fourth down three.

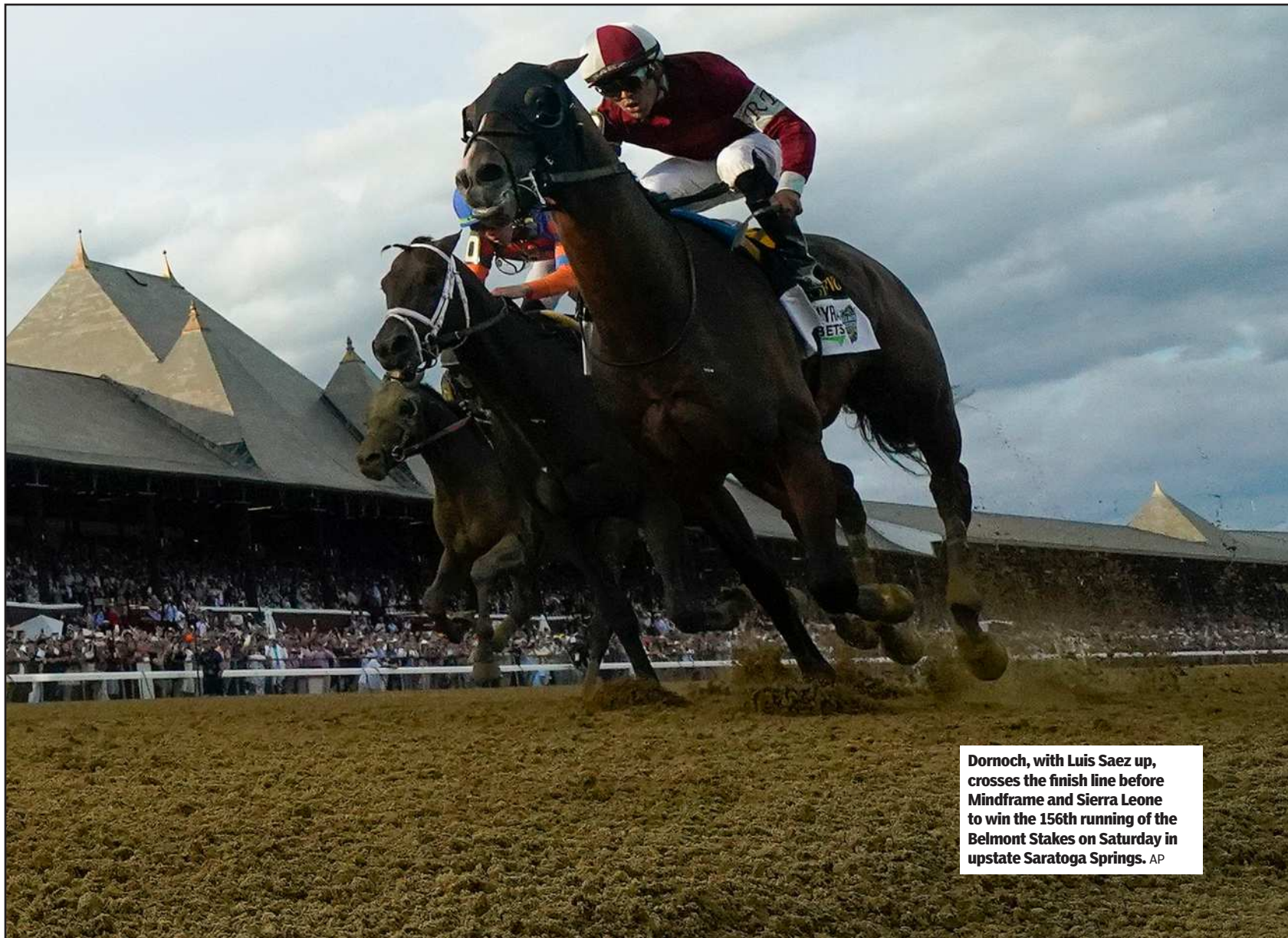
Saturday's fourth quarter was reminiscent of last year's playoff matchup, when two of the four games were decided by single digits. This time around was a bit different as the Liberty were without Courtney Vandersloot (personal reasons). Kayla Thornton started in her place.

Both Laney-Hamilton and Thomas finished on triple-double watch. The Liberty star recorded 10 points, seven boards and six assists while last year's MVP runner-up 10 points, 12 boards and seven assists.

Connecticut benefitted from the play of center Brionna Jones, who missed the second half of last season due to an Achilles injury. The big finished with 13 points and four boards.

But Jonquel Jones was too much for Connecticut. And her surging play has the Liberty in another Commissioner's Cup championship game.

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Dornoch, with Luis Saez up, crosses the finish line before Mindframe and Sierra Leone to win the 156th running of the Belmont Stakes on Saturday in upstate Saratoga Springs. AP

Dornoch pulls upset to win 1st Belmont Stakes run at Saratoga

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. — When Luis Saez first rode Dornoch at Saratoga Race Course last summer, he told trainer Danny Gargan, “You have the Derby winner.”

While that did not come true, Dornoch made good on that optimism Saturday by winning the first Belmont Stakes at Saratoga, hugging the rail and holding off Mindframe to spring a major upset in the Triple Crown finale at odds of 17-1.

The horse co-owned by World Series champion Jayson Werth won the Belmont five weeks after a troubled trip led to a 10th-place finish in the Kentucky Derby. This time, Dornoch sat off leader Seize

the Grey, passed the Preakness winner down the stretch and held on for a 1½-length victory.

“I would put it right up there with winning on the biggest stage. Horse racing is the most underrated sport in the world, bar none,” said Werth, who won Major League Baseball’s championship with the Phillies in 2008. “It’s the biggest game: You get the Derby, the Preakness, the Belmont. We just won the Belmont. This is as good as it gets in horse racing. It’s as good as it gets in sports.”

It’s the first win in any Triple Crown race for Gargan and the second in the Belmont for Saez, who said he never lost faith in Dornoch.

“He’s one of the top 3-year-olds in the country, and we’ve always

thought it,” Gargan said. “We let him run his race, and he won. If he gets to run, he’s always going to be tough to beat.”

It’s the sixth consecutive year a different horse won each of the three Triple Crown races. Sierra Leone, the Derby runner-up who went off as the favorite, was third and Honor Marie fourth.

Dornoch paid \$37.40 to win, \$17.60 to place and \$8.10 to show. Todd Pletcher-trained Mindframe paid \$6.80 to place and \$4.20 to show and Sierra Leone paid \$2.60 to show after a jumbled start and more directional problems.

There were no such issues for Dornoch, who triumphed at the track known as the graveyard of favorites for its penchant for upsets.

“No one believed in this horse,”

Gargan said. “It’s speechless. He’s such a talented horse.”

Despite there not being a Triple Crown on the line, it’s a historic Belmont because the race was run at Saratoga Race Course for the first time in the venue’s 161-year history. It returns next year while Belmont Park undergoes a massive, \$455 million reconstruction with the plan for the Triple Crown race to go back to the Long Island track in 2026.

Having it at Saratoga necessitated shortening the race to 1¼ miles from the usual “test of the champion” 1½-mile distance that has been a hallmark of the Belmont for nearly a century. The temporary change contributed to getting more quality horses into the field who previously ran in the Kentucky

Derby, Preakness or both. At 1¼-mile distance, Dornoch crossed the wire in a time of 2:01.64.

Gargan doesn’t think if the race were at the usual distance the result would’ve been any different.

“I don’t think anybody was getting to him,” Gargan said. “I’d have to watch it again. I kind of got excited jumping around there when he got clear. I didn’t see anybody really making a bold move.”

Dornoch now has the Belmont Stakes under his belt, but the 3-year-old still has a lot of miles on him. Gargan is eyeing another race potentially this year taking on a similar field and course.

“I wouldn’t be shocked if we just wait and run him in the Travers,” Gargan said. “But, we’ll have to wait and see.”

BILL MADDEN



BASEBALL

IT'S WORKED OUT FINE

After losing out on Yamamoto, Yanks find success with Plan B



Luis Gil has made the Yankees forget about missing out on Yoshinobu Yamamoto (inset) last winter. AP

For the better part of three months last winter **Hal Steinbrenner** had his Yankee minions feverishly chasing after 25-year-old Japanese pitching prodigy **Yoshinobu Yamamoto**, who he'd deemed (along with the trade for Juan Soto) as a centerpiece of the team's offseason game plan for returning to World Series contenders.

Though he had never thrown a single pitch in the big leagues, Yamamoto had been almost universally acclaimed as a bona fide No. 1 starting pitcher and as such, given his age, would be commanding a contract of at least 10 years and \$300 million. Steinbrenner was good with that because he knew if the Yankees were going to sufficiently rebound from last year's 82-80 out-of-the-money finish they were going to have to acquire another top-of-the-rotation starter to pair with **Gerrit Cole**.

And despite the equally aggressive competition from **Steve Cohen**, the Yankee high command seemed confident of landing Yamamoto — right up until two days after Christmas when he shocked them by signing with the Dodgers (who had just doled out \$700 million to **Shohei Ohtani**) for 12 year and \$325 million. Forced to go to Plan B, the Yankees ignored the media pleas to sign one of the Scott Boras clients — **Blake Snell** or **Jordan Montgomery** — and instead signed **Marcus Stroman**, a solid No. 3 and sometimes No. 2 starter, for two years, \$37 million.

And then, midway through spring training, Cole was discovered to be suffering from nerve irritation in his elbow and was later shut down indefinitely. The Yankees were suddenly thrust into “now what?” mode with the rotation, minus a No. 1 altogether. After initial deliberations about who to replace Cole among rookies **Will Warren**, **Clayton Beeter**, **Cody Poteet**, or **Luis Gil**, the Yankee high command settled on Gil after he struck out eight Phillies on March 11 and they received feedback from Phillies manager **Rob Thomson** and hitting coach **Kevin Long** that Gil's stuff had been the best they'd seen of any pitcher all spring.

So now, here we are, three months into the season and guess who is not only the Yankees' No. 1 starter, but the No. 1 starter in the entire American League? The previously unsung Luis Gil, aka “The Gil-a-monster” who **Brian Cashman** stole from the Twins back in March 2018 for a marginal No. 5 outfielder, **Jake Cave**. The reason for the deal was Cashman had to clear a space on his 40-man roster and Cave, who

despite three years in Triple-A had still not made it to the Bronx, had become “expendable.” Did Cashman know what he was getting in Gil, who six years and one **Tommy John** surgery later, is 8-1, leading the American League in ERA (1.82) and fewest hits per nine innings (3.89), with the fifth lowest WHIP (0.923) and sixth best strikeouts per nine innings (11.03)? Of course not. No one could. But he did know he was getting a kid with a big power fastball and a fluid, loose delivery who his Yankee pitching people said they could work with.

At the start of the season, the only thing about Gil that concerned the Yankees was being able to throw strikes consistently. But that was remedied after three starts by Yankee pitching coach **Matt Blake** with a minor adjustment of squaring his shoulders better to the plate. After walking 19 batters in his first five starts, Gil has walked just 15 in his last seven starts.

Meanwhile, I'm sure Steinbrenner has been playing this game in his head. Who would you rather have?

Pitcher A: 6-2, 3.00 ERA, 83 Ks, 61 hits in 72 innings

Pitcher B: 5-2, 3.04 ERA, 57 Ks, 61 hits in 74 innings

Pitcher C: 8-1, 1.82 ERA, 85 Ks, 30 hits in 69.1 innings

Pitcher A is Yamamoto to whom the Dodgers are paying an AAV of \$27 million and who did his best to show Steinbrenner he would have been worth it by pitching seven scoreless innings against the Yankees at Yankee Stadium Friday night. Pitcher B is Stroman, to whom the Yankees are paying \$18 million this year and next, while Pitcher C is Gil, making the major league minimum of \$750,000. Somehow, if I'm Steinbrenner I'm feeling pretty good about how it's all turned out — not paying over \$300 million for a No. 1 starting pitcher but instead paying a mere \$750,000 while also getting just as good a year as Yamamoto from Stroman.

In trying to fathom how lucky he was to have saved \$300 million on Yamamoto, at the same time finding gold in Gil, I would refer Hal to **Joaquin Andujar**, the idiosyncratic No. 1 starter for **Whitey Herzog's** championship Cardinal teams in the '80s, who famously explained: “There is one word in America that says it all, and that one word is ‘you never know’.”

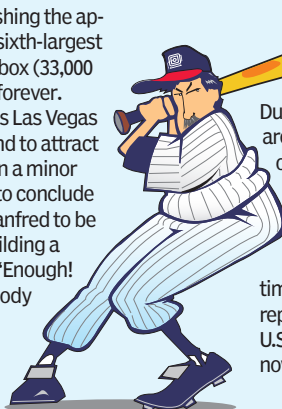
It's A MADD MADD WORLD...

It was bad enough commissioner **Rob Manfred** cajoled the owners into rushing the approval of Oakland owner **John Fisher's** ill-conceived move of the A's from the sixth-largest TV market to the 42nd-largest market in Las Vegas and into a proposed bandbox (33,000 seat) of a stadium that will assure Fisher of sizeable revenue sharing checks forever. Now, in the epitome of chutzpah, Fisher is seeking to play up to eight of the A's Las Vegas home games (10%) at neutral sites, purportedly to “build the franchise's brand to attract players and sponsors.” The A's are already going to be playing home games in a minor league ballpark in Sacramento from 2025-27 while awaiting for construction to conclude on the park in Las Vegas. This entire Fisher Las Vegas deal was allowed by Manfred to be rushed through after he ran out of patience with the Oakland bureaucrats building a new stadium there. It's time for Manfred and the other owners to tell Fisher: “Enough! Either go back to Oakland and work on a deal there or sell the team to somebody who will.” The Las Vegas A's are a laughingstock and an embarrassment to baseball. So too is **John Fisher**.

When MLB's Department of Investigations announced five separate sus-

pensions last week to players for sports betting, including a lifetime ban on Padres infielder **Tucupita Marciano** for betting over \$150,000 on baseball, just about everyone

I know was like **Claude Rains' Captain Renault** in “Casablanca” in that they were “shocked, absolutely shocked there was gambling going on in baseball.” All you need to do is look around all the stadiums in baseball where the advertising signs for DraftKings, Fan Duel, Fanatics and other gambling sites are everywhere and the team broadcasters are forced to read gambling site promos 2-3 times a game, encouraging fans to bet on baseball. This in contrast to 20 years ago when the most prominent sign in the old Yankee Stadium was the giant NO BETTING sign in center field. It's all the end product of the May 14, 2018 U.S. Supreme Court decision that struck down the federal statute that had restricted legal betting to primarily Nevada for 26 years. MLB excuses its partnership with these betting companies (at the same time refusing to pardon **Pete Rose**) by noting that all bets placed with these sites are reportable. But the underground betting market with unlicensed bookmakers in the U.S. continues to thrive as MLB, which once had No Betting signs in all its ballparks, now has signs encouraging fans and players alike to patronize gambling sites.



BOB RAISSMAN

MEDIA

BRING BACK JVG

NBA's new TV partners have chance to right a wrong

ESPN's abrupt exile of **Jeff Van Gundy** from ESPN's No. 1 NBA broadcast team, after 17 years behind the microphone, was stinky when it went down last June. A year later, the stench has not cleared with the Celtics-Mavs scheduled to play Game 2 of the NBA Finals Sunday night.

There's no use in rehashing the network's illogic or taking it out on current cast members, **Doris Burke** and **JJ Redick**, or Hall of Fame play-by-play man **Mike Breen**. They were not collaborators in JVG's demise. That "honor" would go to decision makers in charge of ESPN's NBA coverage.

Nonetheless, when it comes to Van Gundy, the former Knicks and Rockets coach, the past is just that. It's time to look ahead.

While the NBA has not gone public with its new TV rights deal (it prefers letting those whose jobs are in jeopardy hang by their fingernails), it has been widely reported that new players — including NBC/Peacock and Amazon — will be airing or streaming NBA games when the new contract kicks in before the 2025-26 season.

That gives NBC, or Amazon, plenty of time to hire JVG as its featured NBA analyst.

This is a rare opportunity for either of the two outlets to enlist the best game analyst in the business. The suits should consider this a gift from ESPN. The NBA's new TV partners could even re-launch the JVG/Mark Jackson pairing and bring instant credibility to their product.

The outcome of JVG's NBA TV future could answer recurring questions: Did ESPN let him go at **Adam Silver's** behest? Did ESPN fire him because JVG didn't hesitate to criticize the league, or its referees? Would firing JVG make it easier to complete a new TV deal?

If the answer to the questions is "yes," JVG could have a hard time of returning to an NBA microphone. Yet Silver has said he played no part in ESPN's decision to dump JVG.

TV sports suits most often go along to get along with their league TV partners. It's just part of doing business.

Yet now, there's always the possibility Van Gundy might have had his fill of TV and its behind-the-back skulduggery. Currently,



Jeff Van Gundy (c.) should be brought back to be lead NBA analyst when new TV deals are done. AP

JVG is a senior consultant for the Celtics. Last week, the possibility was raised about him joining **Joe Mazzulla's** coaching staff next season.

Judging by JVG's brother Stan's comments recently on "South Beach Sessions," the way ESPN handled JVG's departure left much more than a bad taste in his mouth.

"He [JVG] was hurt by it," SVG said. "...They s-t on him."

SVG claimed ESPN waited to dump his brother after all the NBA coaching jobs and front office gigs were already booked.

"The timing was awful," SVG said on "SBS."

"...And they delayed and delayed on a buyout that would free him to work for [other] people," SVG said. "I mean after 17 years of being in arguably the best game broadcast booth in the business in basketball, and being the kind of person he is, ESPN s-t on him."

Maybe Jeff Van Gundy will eventually find a network that won't.

LAME DUCK SEASON FOR TNT

If the reporting turns out correct, 2024-25 will be a lame duck season for TNT Sports' NBA coverage.

With parent company Warner Bros. Discovery apparently unwilling to over-pay for the NBA's product, we can only imagine what TNT's highly acclaimed studio show (**Shaquille O'Neal**, **Ernie Johnson**, **Kenny Smith** and **Charles Barkley**) will look like.

It could be a miserable experience for all involved; like working while watching the guillotine

slowly fall. At least that's how it was when CBS lost the NFC package to Fox Sports in 1993 and was a lame duck NFL broadcaster that season.

The stars survived. **John Madden** and **Pat Summerall** went over to become Fox's No. 1 NFL team. It stands to reason that, if they want to, the stars of TNT's studio show will find other NBA gigs.

But no matter where they end up it won't be the same. They had something special going. Doing the show as a lame duck will offer challenges (and that's being kind). The last thing the crew wants to do is give viewers the impression they are tuning in to watch a basketball wake.

LOOK AT ME!

Only at ESPN can on-court "activities" be overshadowed by in-studio "drama."

Analysis of **Chennedy Carter's** cheap-shot on **Caitlin Clark**, was transformed into look-at-me moments for ESPN personalities. Even the steady rocking **Monica McNutt** jumped into the fray, accusing **Stephen A. Smith** of being late (like three years late) to the WNBA product and style of play.

Johnny, er, Stevie come lately did not appreciate McNutt's pointed observation, but took solace in pointing out how McNutt's "First Take" appearances have helped further her broadcasting career.

Then there was the always "sensitive" **Pat McAfee**. During his soliloquy about the Carter-Clark incident he referred to the Fever rookie as "a white bitch." No one

in his studio Peanut Gallery dared challenge him.

McAfee would later apologize. How shocking!

AROUND THE DIAL

ESPN's **Adrian Wojnarowski** might as well have dropped his Thursday morning bomb on the NBA office. League operatives must have been thrilled that only hours before opening night of the NBA Finals, Wojnarowski sucked all the Finals media oxygen out of the air. He reported that the Lakers are targeting UConn's **Dan Hurley** as their new head coach. This followed the Athletic's **Shams Charania** crashing the Finals build-up with his Wednesday report about JJ Redick being the front-runner for the Lakers gig. ... Is there a bigger sports talk proponent of getting high (on gummies) and gambling than SXM's **Christopher (Mad Dog) Russo**? Doggie has turned his betting adviser "Fat Rob from Rapid City" into a cult hero. ... MSG's postgame show following the Rangers being eliminated by the Panthers captured the feeling of a devastating loss. By focusing on the players, MSG made viewers feel the pain of a team that had figuratively fallen off a cliff. The words and pictures were only augmented by the analysis of **Steve Valiquette** and **Brian Boyle** with anchor **John Giannone** keeping the show moving. No sugarcoating the loss, either. Good stuff. ... Among the inductees into the International Boxing Hall of Fame Sunday in Canastota, N.Y., three come from the media world. Inducted in the "Observer" category will be Mike Tyson's favorite scribe, **Wallace Matthews**, who, among other places, toiled and tangled on the boxing beat for Newsday, the Daily News, the Post and ESPN. When CNN was a player in sports, no one covered boxing better on TV than the late Nick Charles, a fearless realist behind the microphone. Charles, CNN's first sports anchor, who died in 2011, will be inducted posthumously in the "Observer" category. Finally, a man who launched many careers through his ability to communicate (with a healthy sense of humor), boxing publicist extraordinaire **Fred Sternberg**. He goes into the Hall in the "Non-Participant" category. We hope all the inductees have a great day and no fights break out.

DUDE OF THE WEEK



GERRIT COLE

For continuing a tradition. According to YES' Jack Curry, Cole treated his teammates to a post-game feed bag after pitching in Somerset last week. The spread consisted of: Steak, Sea Bass, Shrimp Cocktail, Lobster Mac and Cheese "and more."



DWEBB OF THE WEEK

CHENNEDY CARTER

It's fine that the Chicago Sky reserve decided it was cool to blind-side Caitlin Clark. Carter was confirming her "aggressive" style. But her refusal to initially answer questions on the topic showed a lack of respect for the media. Her obligations extend beyond the court.

DOUBLE TALK

What **Igor Shesterkin** said: "I don't speak English."

What **Igor Shesterkin** meant to say: "I don't give hometown discounts."



Clark left off USA Basketball national roster, source says; Taurasi going to 6th Olympics

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Caitlin Clark won't be headed to the Paris Olympics, according to a person familiar with the decision.

The person, who provided the full roster to The Associated Press, spoke on condition of anonymity Saturday because no official announcement has been made.

The decision was first reported by The Athletic.

Clark does have some international experience with USA Basketball at a younger level, but she wasn't able to make the national training camp in Cleveland after she was invited because she was leading Iowa to the Final Four. Clark finished her career as the NCAA's Division I all-time scoring leader.

Clark, now a rookie with the Indiana Fever, has drawn millions of new fans to women's basketball in her college career and also in her young WNBA career.

While Clark won't be headed to Paris, the U.S. is expected to take five-time gold medalist Diana Taurasi for a sixth Olympics. Taurasi will be joined by Phoenix Mercury teammate Brittney Griner.

This will be Griner's first time playing internationally since she was detained in

a Russian prison for 10 months in 2022. She said she'll only play abroad with USA Basketball.

Joining the pair will be Olympic veterans Breanna Stewart, A'ja Wilson, Napheesa Collier, Jewell Loyd and Chelsea Gray. Kelsey Plum and Jackie Young, who helped the U.S. win the inaugural 3x3 gold medal at the Tokyo Games in 2021, will also be on the team.

A bunch of first time Olympians will be on the team with Alyssa Thomas, Sabrina Ionescu and Kahleah Copper. All three played on the American team which won the World Cup in Australia in 2022.

The U.S. women have won every gold medal in women's basketball since the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

Taurasi, who turns 42 before the Paris Games begin, will break the record for most Olympics played in the sport of basketball. Five players, including former teammate Sue Bird, have competed in five.

The U.S. team will get together to train for a few days in Phoenix in July. Then its off to London for an exhibition game against Germany before heading to France.

The Americans will play Japan, Belgium and Germany in pool play at the Olympics.

Eiffel Tower gets Olympic rings 50 days ahead of Paris Games

The Eiffel Tower got a makeover in preparation for the Olympics.

The Olympic rings were mounted to the iconic Parisian landmark on Friday to mark 50 days until the sports world gathers in the French capital for the quadrennial sports festival.

The rings were displayed on the south side of the 135-year-old landmark in central Paris, overlooking the Seine River. Each ring is 9 meters (30 feet) in diameter and made of recycled French steel.

Thousands of athletes will parade through the city on boats on the Seine along a 6-kilometer (3.7-mile) route in the opening ceremony at sunset on July 26.

There will be no shortage of iconic venues at the Paris Olympics.

The tower, nicknamed La Dame de Fer (The Iron Lady), will feature prominently in the July 26-Aug. 11 Paris Games and the Paralympics.

Men's and women's beach volleyball will be played at the foot of the 330-meter (1,083-foot) monument. They will

be watched by nearly 13,000 fans at the temporary Eiffel Tower Stadium on the nearby Champ de Mars, where Parisians and tourists like to have picnics on the grass or watch July 14 fireworks displays.



The Olympic rings are mounted on the Eiffel Tower on Friday night. AP

The Olympic and Paralympic medals in Paris are being embedded with pieces from a hexagonal chunk of iron taken from the tower.

The hugely popular landmark has seen soaring visitor numbers in the buildup to the Paris Games.

Two huge cranes were used to lift the 30-ton structure and mount it between the first and second floors of the tower.

The Olympic rings will be illuminated every night with 100,000

LED bulbs through the Paralympics, which start on Aug. 28, 17 days after the Olympic closing ceremony.

The Paralympics will bring together 4,400 athletes from 180 countries in 549 events and 22 sports. Many sports will take place near landmarks including the Eiffel Tower, Versailles and the Grand Palais.



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MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE										
EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	
New York	45	21	.682	—	—	8-2	L-2	21-10	24-11	
Baltimore	41	22	.651	2½	+8½	7-3	W-2	21-12	20-10	
Boston	32	33	.492	12½	1½	4-6	L-2	14-18	18-15	
Tampa Bay	31	33	.484	13	2	5-5	L-2	17-20	14-13	
Toronto	31	33	.484	13	2	6-4	W-1	16-15	15-18	
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	
Cleveland	41	22	.651	—	—	5-5	W-1	21-8	20-14	
Kansas City	39	26	.600	3	+5½	5-5	W-3	24-10	15-16	
Minnesota	33	31	.516	8½	—	3-7	L-5	16-13	17-18	
Detroit	31	33	.484	10½	2	4-6	L-3	14-17	17-16	
Chicago	17	48	.262	25	16½	2-8	W-2	12-22	5-26	
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	
Seattle	36	30	.545	—	—	6-4	L-2	21-11	15-19	
Texas	30	34	.469	5	3	5-5	L-2	15-17	15-17	
Houston	29	35	.453	6	4	5-5	W-1	17-18	12-17	
Oakland	26	40	.394	10	8	3-7	L-1	15-19	11-21	
Los Angeles	24	39	.381	10½	8½	4-6	L-1	10-22	14-17	

NATIONAL LEAGUE										
EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	
Philadelphia	45	19	.703	—	—	7-3	W-4	27-9	18-10	
Atlanta	35	27	.565	9	+4½	4-6	L-2	19-12	16-15	
Washington	29	35	.453	16	2½	4-6	W-2	12-17	17-18	
New York	27	36	.429	17½	4	5-5	L-1	13-22	14-14	
Miami	22	42	.344	23	9½	3-7	L-1	12-24	10-18	
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	
Milwaukee	38	26	.594	—	—	7-3	W-2	18-10	20-16	
Cincinnati	32	33	.492	6½	—	8-2	W-7	17-17	15-16	
Pittsburgh	31	33	.484	7	½	6-4	W-2	16-16	15-17	
Chicago	31	34	.477	7½	1	3-7	L-3	18-13	13-21	
St. Louis	30	33	.476	7½	1	4-6	L-1	14-14	16-19	
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	
Los Angeles	41	25	.621	—	—	7-3	W-3	21-12	20-13	
San Diego	34	34	.500	8	+½	4-6	W-2	15-20	19-14	
San Francisco	32	33	.492	8½	—	4-6	W-3	17-14	15-19	
Arizona	30	35	.462	10½	2	5-5	L-2	15-16	15-19	
Colorado	23	41	.359	17	8½	4-6	W-1	13-17	10-24	

RESULTS, SCHEDULE										
AMERICAN LEAGUE SATURDAY'S RESULTS										
L.A. Dodgers 11, N.Y. Yankees 3										
Kansas City 8, Seattle 4										
Toronto 7, Oakland 0										
Pittsburgh 4, Minnesota 0										
San Francisco 3, Texas 1										
Baltimore 5, Tampa Bay 0										
Chicago White Sox 6, Boston 1										
Milwaukee 5, Detroit 4										
Cleveland 8, Miami 0										
Houston at L.A. Angels, late										
MONDAY'S GAMES										
Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 6:50p.m.										
Colorado at Minnesota, 7:40p.m.										
N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City, 8:10p.m.										
Toronto at Milwaukee, 8:10p.m.										
Chicago White Sox at Seattle, 9:40p.m.										
Oakland at San Diego, 9:40p.m.										
Houston at San Francisco, 9:45p.m.										
FRIDAY'S RESULTS										
Pittsburgh 3, Minnesota 0										
Milwaukee 10, Detroit 0										
Miami 3, Cleveland 2										
Baltimore 6, Tampa Bay 3										
L.A. Dodgers 2, N.Y. Yankees 1, (11)										
Chicago White Sox 7, Boston 2										
San Francisco 5, Texas 2										
Kansas City 10, Seattle 9										
Oakland 2, Toronto 1										
Houston 7, L.A. Angels 1										

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS										
through Friday's games										
BATTING AVERAGE	G	AB	H	R	AVG					
Witt KC	64	257	83	56	.323					
Soto NYY	64	239	76	49	.318					
Perez KC	62	226	69	25	.305					
Peña Hou	63	244	74	34	.303					
Rutschman Bal	59	246	74	34	.301					
Guerrero Tor	63	241	71	29	.295					
Wade NYY	65	231	68	47	.294					
Paredes TB	59	219	64	27	.292					
Alvarez Hou	63	243	70	35	.288					
Devers Bos	53	199	57	35	.286					
Home Runs: Judge, New York, 21; K.Tucker, Houston, 19; Henderson, Baltimore, 19; Soto, New York, 17; J.Ramírez, Cleveland, 17; J.Naylor, Cleveland, 16.										
Runs Batted In: J.Ramírez, Cleveland, 60; Judge, New York, 55; Soto, New York, 53; Witt, Kansas City, 47; J.Naylor, Cleveland, 45; Rutschman, Baltimore, 43.										
Pitching: Lugo, Kansas City, 9-1; Gil, New York, 8-1; Rodón, New York, 8-2; Skubal, Detroit, 7-1; Burnes, Baltimore, 6-2; Irvin, Baltimore, 6-2; Rodríguez, Baltimore, 6-2.										

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS										
through Friday's games										
BATTING AVERAGE	G	AB	H	R	AVG					
Arraez SD	63	264	89	39	.337					
Profar SD	67	228	74	35	.325					
Ozuna Atl	61	225	71	38	.316					
Betts LAD	64	253	79	46	.312					
Ohtani LAD	62	250	78	44	.312					
Willi.Contreras Mil	63	254	79	49	.311					
M.Winn StL	56	184	57	22	.310					
Turang Mil	59	201	61	28	.303					
El.Díaz Col	53	193	58	20	.301					
W.Smith LAD	54	206	60	32	.291					
Home Runs: Ozuna, Atlanta, 18; Ohtani, LA, 15; Gorman, St. Louis, 14; Harper, Philadelphia, 14; Alonso, New York, 14; T.Hernández, LA, 13; K.Marte, Arizona, 13.										
Runs Batted In: Ozuna, Atlanta, 55; Bohm, Philadelphia, 50; Willi.Contreras, Milwaukee, 46; Harper, Philadelphia, 44; Profar, San Diego, 42; Adames, Milwaukee, 42.										
Pitching: R.Suárez, Philadelphia, 9-1; Nola, Philadelphia, 8-2; Sale, Atlanta, 8-2; Keller, Pittsburgh, 8-3; Wheeler, Philadelphia, 7-3; S.Gray, St. Louis, 7-4; Neris, Chicago, 6-0.										

Today's Pitching Comparison											Washington 7, Atlanta 3															
Interleague			2024				2023 vs Opp				Last 3 Starts			Atlanta	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG						
TM	Pitchers	Time	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	Albies 2b	4	0	1	1	1	2	.266							
SF	TBD		0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	0.0	0.00	Riley 3b	4	0	1	0	2	.234								
Tex	Eovaldi (R)	1:05p	2-2	2.70	5-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	14.0	1.93	Ozuna dh	4	1	2	0	0	.319								
Min	Ober (R)		5-4	4.94	5-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	15.0	6.60	Olson 1b	4	0	2	0	1	.239								
Pit	Jones (R)	1:35p	4-5	3.24	5-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	16.1	4.41	Duval rf	3	0	0	0	3	.184								
Cle	Carrasco (R)		2-5	5.66	3-7	0-1	4.2	11.57	0-3	16.0	5.62	Archia ss	4	0	0	0	1	.228								
Mia	Rogers (L)	1:40p	1-7	5.68	1-11	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	15.0	5.40	Harris cf	3	1	0	0	2	.244								
Mil	Wilson (R)		3-2	3.35	4-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	12.2	4.97	Murphy c	4	1	1	1	1	.147								
Det	Skubal (L)	1:40p	7-1	1.97	9-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	18.0	2.50	Kelenic lf	3	0	0	0	2	.259								
LAD	Glasnow (R)		6-4	2.92	8-5	2-0	13.0	0.69	0-2	18.0	3.00	TOTALS	33	3	7	2	13									
NY	Gil (R)	7:10p	8-1	1.82	10-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	3-0	20.1	0.44															
American League			2024				2023 vs Opp				Last 3 Starts			Washington	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG						
TM	Pitchers	Time	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	Abrams ss	4	1	1	1	2	.246								
BAL	Burnes (R)		6-2	2.26	9-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	20.0	1.80	Thomas rf	4	2	2	0	1	.217								
TB	Littell (R)	1:40p	2-3	3.56	6-6	0-0	6.0	4.50	0-1	18.2	3.86	Winker lf	3	0	1	0	1	.262								
Bos	Crawford (R)		2-5	3.51	3-10	0-2	11.1	5.56	0-3	16.1	8.27	Rosario dh	4	0	2	3	0	.188								
ChW	Flexen (R)	2:10p	2-5	5.19	2-9	0-0	4.0	0.00	0-1	14.2	4.30	Garcia 2b	4	1	1	0	1	.266								
Sea	Kirby (R)		5-5	4.05	6-7	1-0	7.0	0.00	1-1	17.0	4.24	Ruiz c	4	1	1	0	0	.200								
KC	Ragans (L)	2:10p	4-4	3.20	7-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	17.0	1.59	Senzel 3b	3	2	3	3	0	.243								
Hou	Verlander (R)		3-2	3.64	4-5	1-0	6.0	4.50	1-0	18.0	3.00	Gallo 1b	4	0	0	0	3	.157								
LAA	Sandoval (L)	4:07p	2-8	5.00	4-9	0-1	9.2	8.38	0-2	15.2	6.32	Young cf	4	0	1	0	0	.272								
Tor	TBD		0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	0.0	0.00	TOTALS	34	7	12	7	8									
Oak	Spence (R)	4:07p	4-3	3.86	1-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	14.1	3.77															
National League			2024				2024 vs Opp				Last 3 Starts			Atlanta		000	011	100	3	7	2					
TM	Pitchers	Time	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	Washington		210	112	00x	7	12	0							
NYM	Quintana (L)		1-5	5.17	5-7	0-0	5.1	3.38	0-1	16.0	5.06	E: Riley (5), Morton (2). LOB: Atlanta 5, Washington 6. 2B: Olson (15), Albies (17), Rosario (9), Senzel (2off), Garcia (11).														
Phi	Walker (R)	10:10a	3-1	5.74	4-3	0-0	3.1	5.40	0-1	15.2	6.89	HR: Murphy (1), off Law; Senzel (6), off Lee. RBIs: Albies (30), Murphy (4), Rosario 3(23), Abrams (28), Senzel 3(16).														
Atl	Waldrep (R)		0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	0.0	0.00	CS: Abrams (5). S: Winker. Runners left in scoring position: Atlanta 4(Arcia 2, Riley, Harris); Washington 4(Abrams, Young, Ruiz, Garcia). RISP: Atlanta 0for 5; Washington 4for 14. Runners moved up: Arcia, Garcia, Gallo. GDP: Ozuna, Rosario. DP: Atlanta 1(Olson, Arcia, Olson); Washington 1(Abrams, Garcia, Gallo).														
Was	Herz (L)	1:35p	0-1	9.00	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	4.0	9.00	ATLANTA		IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA						
ChC	Imanaga (L)		5-1	1.88	9-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	15.2	4.60	Morton, L, 3-3	5	7	5	4	0	3	4.12							
Cin	Montas (R)	1:40p	3-4	4.00	4-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	19.0	3.32	Lee	1	2	2	0	0	2	2.30							
Col	Blach (L)		2-3	4.54	3-3	0-1	4.2	7.71	1-1	18.2	3.86	Kerr	1	2	0	0	1	5.75								
StL	Pallante (R)	2:15p	1-2	6.16	1-1	0-0	3.0	3.00	1-1	9.0	6.00	Hernandez	1	0	0	1	2	0.00								
Ari	TBD		0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	0.0	0.00	WASHINGTON														
SD	Mazur (R)	4:10p	0-0	1.50	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	6.0	1.50	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA								
TEAM REC: Team's Record in games started by today's pitcher.											Gore, W, 5-5	5	6	2	1	7	3.57									
VS OPP: Pitcher's record versus this opponent.											Law, H, 6	2	1	1	1	0	3	2.79								
											Floro	1	0	0	0	1	1.15									
											Garcia	1	0	0	0	2	4.58									
											Inherited runners-scored: Law 2-1. HBP: Morton (Abrams), Gore (Harris). WP: Gore, Law. Umpires: Home, Jansen Visconti; First, Andy Fletcher; Second, Adam Beck; Third, Tom Hanahan.															
											T: 2:29. A: 33,998(41,376).															
L.A. Dodgers 11, N.Y. Yankees 3											Philadelphia 7, N.Y. Mets 2															
Los Angeles	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG													
Betts ss	4	2	1	0	0	.311	Schwarber dh	5	0	1	1	0	.231													
Ohtani dh	4	2	1	1	1	.311	Realmuto c	5	0	1	0	1	.265													
Freeman 1b	5	2	2	2	1	.293	Harper 1b	4	1	3	1	1	.276													
Smith c	3	1	1	0	1	.292	Bohm 3b	4	1	1	0	0	.290													
T.Hernandez rf	4	2	2	6	1	.262	Castellanos rf	4	1	1	1	2	.215													
Pages cf	4	0	1	1	1	.259	Stott 2b	3	1	1	0	1	.244													
Rojas 2b	5	0	1	0	0	.283	Sosa ss	4	1	1	1	0	.292													
K.Hernandez 3b	2	1	1	1	1	.206	Merrifield lf	4	1	1	3	1	.174													
Taylor lf	4	0	1	0	3	.102	Pache cf	4	1	1	0	0	.203													
TOTALS	36	11	11	11	9		TOTALS	37	7	11	7	6														
New York	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	New York	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG													
Volpe ss	5	0	1	0	2	.285	Lindor ss	4	2	2	0	1	.239													
Verdugo lf-cf	5	0	2	0	1	.257	Alonso 1b	4	0	2	0	2	.243													
Judge rf	4	2	2	2	1	.298	Nimmo lf	5	0	1	0	2	.222													
Stanton dh	5	0	0	0	1	.228	Martinez dh	4	0	0	1	1	.273													
Rizzo 1b	4	0	0	0	0	.224	Marte rf	4	0	2	1	0	.280													
Torres 2b	4	1	1	0	1	.229	Vientos 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.314													
LeMahieu 3b	3	0	2	0	0	.207	Bader cf	3	0	0	0	0	.267													
Wells c	3	0	1	1	1	.200	Iglesias 2b	4	0	2	0	1	.409													
a-Trevino ph-c	1	0	1	0	0	.261	Torrens c	3	0	1	0	1	.308													
Grisham cf	2	0	0	0	1	.083	a-Stewart ph	1	0	0	0	0	.186													
b-Jones ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	.222	TOTALS	36	2	10	2	9														
TOTALS	37	3	10	3	8		Philadelphia	000	600	010	711	0														
Los Angeles	011	011	043	111	0		New York	100	010	000	210	0														
New York	011	000	001	310	1		a-flied out for Torrens in the 9th. LOB: Philadelphia 4, New York 11. 2B: Harper (11), Pache (2), Lindor (15), Marte (8), Iglesias (2), Alonso (16). HR: Harper (15), off Manaea; Merrifield (3), off Manaea; Castellanos (9), off Young. RBIs: Harper (45), Sosa (17), Merrifield (37), Schwarber (36), Castellanos (29), Marte (26), Martinez (16). SB: Stott (18). CS: Harper (3). Runners left in scoring position: Philadelphia 2(Merrifield, Bohm); New York 6(Marte, Torrens, 2, Vientos, 2, Lindor). RISP: Philadelphia 3for 6; New York 2 for 11. Runners moved up: Martinez. GDP: Martinez. DP: Philadelphia 1(Stott, Harper).																			
Los Angeles	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	Philadelphia	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA											
Stone, W, 7-2	5⅔	8	2	2	2	6	2.93	Suarez, W, 10-1	5⅔	8	2	2	1	6	1.81											
Vesia, H, 4	1⅔	0	0	0	0	1	1.20	Kerkingher, H, 5	1⅔	0	0	0	0	3	1.19											
Yarbrough	2	2	1	1	1	1	3.12	Dominguez	1	0	0	0	1	0	4.91											
New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	Ruiz	1	2	0	0	1	0	1.93											
Cortes, L, 3-5	5⅔	7	4	4	1	4	3.68	NEW YORK												IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Tonkin	1⅔	0	0	0	0	2	0.93	Manaea, L, 3-3	3⅔	7	6	6	1	3	4.30	Castillo, L, 5-7	5	6	5	5	1	4	3.35			
Kahnie	⅓	1	4	3	2	1	6.00	Reid-Foley	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	2.12	Snead	1	1	2	2	2	0	4.66			
Santana	1⅓	3	3	3	2	2	6.26	Houser	2⅔	2	0	0	0	2	6.29	Snider	1	1	0	0	0	2	3.60			
Cabrera	⅓	0	0	0	2	0	0.00	Young	⅔	2	1	1	0	1	1.23	Thornton	1	1	1	1	1	0	3.62			
																	KANSAS CITY	IP <td>H<td>R<td>ER<td>BB</td><td>SO</td><td>ERA</td></td></td></td>	H <td>R<td>ER<td>BB</td><td>SO</td><td>ERA</td></td></td>	R <td>ER<td>BB</td><td>SO</td><td>ERA</td></td>	ER <td>BB</td> <td>SO</td> <td>ERA</td>	BB	SO	ERA		
																	Marsh, W, 5-3	5	7	4	4	0	8	4.05		
																	Long, H, 1	1	0	0	1	1	2	0.00		
																	Smith, H, 5	1	0	0	0	0	1	5.66		
																	Schreiber, H, 15	1	0	0	0	1	0	2.73		
																	McArthur	1	0	0	0	0	0	4.73		
																	Inherited runners-scored: Long 2-1.									
																	Umpires: Home, Phil Cuzzi; First, Tony Randazzo; Second, Alex Tosi; Third, Dan Bellino. T: 2:23. A: 18,351(38,427).									

Toronto 7, Oakland 0							
Toronto	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Schneider lf	3	0	0	0	0	.231	
Horwitz 2b	2	1	0	0	0	.000	
a-Clement ph-3b							
	2	0	1	0	0	.232	
Guerrero 1b	4	1	1	0	0	.294	
Bichette ss	4	2	2	1	1	.243	
Jansen c	4	1	2	2	0	.273	
Vogelbach dh	2	1	0	0	0	.197	
b-Turner ph-dh 2	0	0	1	1	0	.231	
Varsho rf	4	0	1	0	1	.215	
Kiner-Falefa 3b4	0	1	1	0	0	.268	
Kiermaier cf	5	1	1	1	1	.207	
TOTALS	36	7	10	6	3		

Oakland	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Toro 3b	4	0	1	0	2	.271	
Bleday cf	4	0	0	0	1	.241	
Rooker dh	3	0	1	0	1	.272	
Cameron lf	4	0	0	0	0	.214	
Brown rf	4	0	1	0	2	.191	
Langelliers c	3	0	1	0	1	.201	
Soderstrom 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.185	
Gelof 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.183	
Schumann ss	3	0	1	0	1	.258	
TOTALS	31	0	5	0	10		

Toronto	100 050 001	710	0
Oakland	000 000 000	0 5	0

a-doubled for Horwitz in the 6th.
b-grounded out for Vogelbach in the 7th.
LOB: Toronto 11, Oakland 5. **2B:** Guerrero (12), Bichette 2(13), Jansen (11), Clement (5). **HR:** Kiermaier (2), off Medina. **RBIs:** Jansen 2(15), Kiermaier (9), Bichette (27), Kiner-Falefa (21), Turner (21). **SB:** Varsho (6), Schumann (4). **SF:** Jansen. **Runners left in scoring position:** Toronto 8(Horwitz 2, Bichette, Kiermaier 4, Vogelbach); Oakland 3(Bleday, Soderstrom 2). **RISP:** Toronto 5for 12; Oakland 0for 3. **Runners moved up:** Guerrero, Langelliers. **GIDP:** Soderstrom. **DP:** Toronto 1(Guerrero, Bichette, Guerrero).

TORONTO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gausman, W, 5-4	9	5	0	0	1	10	4.00
OAKLAND	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Medina, L, 0-1	4½	5	6	6	5	5	5.23
O'Loughlin	3½	2	0	0	2	1	0.00
Nittoli	1	3	1	1	1	1	6.75

Inherited runners-scored: O'Loughlin 2-2. **WP:** Medina, O'Loughlin. **Umpires:** Home, Ryan Additon; First, Brian Knight; Second, Chris Guccione; Third, Gabe Morales. **T:** 2:27. **A:** 9,285(46,847).

Colorado 6, St. Louis 5							
Colorado	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Blackmon dh	4	2	3	0	0	.259	
Doyle cf	4	1	1	1	0	.269	
Tovar ss	4	2	4	4	0	.294	
McMahon 3b	4	0	0	0	2	.267	
Montero 1b	4	1	1	0	2	.205	
Jones rf	0	0	0	0	0	---	
Stallings c	4	0	0	0	1	.286	
Cave lf	4	0	1	1	1	.239	
Toglia rf-1b	4	0	1	0	2	.155	
Trejo 2b	3	0	1	0	1	.128	
TOTALS	35	6	12	6	9		

St. Louis	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Winn ss	4	0	0	0	2	.303	
Burleson rf	3	1	0	0	1	.274	
Siani cf	0	0	0	0	0	.203	
a-Fermin ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	.120	
Goldschmidt 1b4	1	1	1	1	1	.227	
Gorman 2b	4	0	0	0	3	.227	
Arenado 3b	4	0	0	1	2	.248	
Donovan lf-rf	4	0	1	0	1	.241	
Herrera c	4	0	0	0	0	.260	
Carpenter dh	3	2	1	1	1	.200	
Carlson cf-rf-cf3	1	1	0	1	1	.167	
TOTALS	34	5	5	3	12		

Colorado	100	002	300	612	2
St. Louis	000	004	100	5 5	2

a-grounded out for Siani in the 8th.
E: Trejo (1), Montero (3), Herrera (2), Gorman (9). **LOB:** Colorado 5, St. Louis 3. **2B:** Montero (8), Blackmon (13), Donovan (15). **HR:** Tovar (9), off Gibson; Tovar (10), off Kittredge; Carpenter (2), off Vodnik. **RBIs:** Tovar 4(28), Cave (6), Doyle (17), Goldschmidt (25), Arenado (30), Carpenter (5). **SB:** Blackmon (5), Doyle (17). **S:** Trejo. **Runners left in scoring position:** Colorado 0; St. Louis 2(Donovan, Carpenter). **DP:** St. Louis 3(Gorman, Winn, Goldschmidt; Winn, Gorman, Goldschmidt; Gorman, Goldschmidt).

COLORADO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Feltner	5½	2	4	0	1	7	5.74
Vodnik, W, 1-0	1½	2	1	1	0	2	2.68
Beeks, H, 4	1	0	0	0	0	2	4.06
Kinley, S, 4-4	1	1	0	0	0	1	7.71
ST. LOUIS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gibson	6	8	3	2	7	3	3.76
Kittredge, L, 0-3, BS, 0-3	1	3	3	0	1	3	5.54
Roycroft	2	1	0	0	0	1	3.38
Inherited runners-scored: Vodnik 1-1. Umpires: Home, Edwin Moscoso; First, Vic Carapazza; Second, Scott Barry; Third, Brian Walsh. T: 2:31. A: 34,577(44,494).							

Baltimore 5, Tampa Bay 0							
Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Henderson ss	4	1	1	3	2	.263	
Rutschman c	4	0	1	0	1	.300	
Mountcastle 1b4	0	1	0	0	2	.281	
O'Hearn rf	4	2	2	1	0	.285	
Hays lf	1	0	1	0	0	.211	
Santander dh	4	0	1	0	1	.227	
Westburg 3b-2b5	0	1	1	1	1	.278	
Stowers lf	2	0	0	0	1	.300	
Cowser lf-rf	1	0	0	0	0	.229	
Norby 2b	4	1	1	0	1	.214	
Urias 3b	0	0	0	0	0	.247	
Mullins cf	3	1	0	0	2	.170	
TOTALS	36	5	9	5	11		

Tampa Bay	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Diaz 1b	4	0	2	0	0	.246	
B.Lowe 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.208	
Arozarena dh	3	0	0	0	1	.173	
Paredes 3b	3	0	0	0	0	.288	
J.Lowe rf	3	0	0	0	2	.224	
Siri cf	3	0	0	0	3	.194	
Walls ss	3	0	0	0	2	.286	
Palacios lf	3	0	0	0	1	.253	
Jackson c	3	0	0	0	3	.043	
TOTALS	29	0	2	0	14		

Baltimore	000	000	013	5	9	0
Tampa Bay	000	000	000	0	2	0

LOB: Baltimore 10, Tampa Bay 2. **2B:** Santander (13), Hays (6). **3B:** Westburg (4). **HR:** O'Hearn (9), off Bradley; Henderson (20), off Maton. **RBIs:** O'Hearn (21), Westburg (39), Henderson 3(45). **SB:** Cowser (4), O'Hearn (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** Baltimore 6(Westburg 4, Cowser, Rutschman); Tampa Bay 1(Paredes). **RISP:** Baltimore 2for 7; Tampa Bay 0for 1. **Runners moved up:** Arozarena.

BALTIMORE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bradish, W, 2-0	6	1	0	0	0	9	2.62
Coulombe, H, 13	2	0	0	0	0	3	2.42
Perez	1	1	0	0	0	2	4.02
TAMPA BAY	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bradley, L, 1-4	5	3	1	1	1	7	5.17
Armstrong	1	1	0	0	1	1	3.56
Poche	1	0	0	0	2	0	6.10
Adam	1	2	1	1	0	2	2.00
Maton	½	3	3	3	2	0	5.24
Kelly	½	0	0	0	0	1	3.00

Inherited runners-scored: Kelly 2-0. **Umpires:** Home, Derek Thomas; First, Brian O'Nora; Second, Chris Conroy; Third, Brennan Miller. **T:** 2:48. **A:** 20,485(25,025).

Chicago White Sox 6, Boston 1							
Boston	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Duran lf	3	0	0	0	1	.263	
Valdez 2b	2	0	0	0	1	.186	
a-Westbrook ph-2b-3b							
	2	0	0	0	2	.200	
Refsnyder dh	4	0	0	0	3	.333	
Devers 3b	2	0	0	0	0	.284	
b-McGuire ph-c1	0	0	0	0	0	.216	
Wong c-2b	3	0	1	0	0	.331	
Smith 1b	2	0	0	0	0	.223	
Dalbec rf	3	1	1	1	2	.159	
Hamilton ss	4	0	2	0	2	.277	
Rafaela cf	4	0	1	0	2	.216	
TOTALS	30	1	5	1	13		

Chicago	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Julks lf	4	1	0	0	0	.274	
DeLoach rf	2	1	0	0	0	.091	
1-Ellis pr-cf	0	0	0	0	0	.000	
Vaughn 1b	4	1	1	1	1	.217	
Sheets dh	4	1	3	4	0	.246	
DeJong ss	4	1	2	1	0	.234	
Colas cf-rf	4	0	1	0	1	.235	
Sosa 3b	4	0	2	0	0	.230	
Mendick 2b	4	1	1	0	0	.221	
Maldonado c	3	0	0	0	1	.074	
TOTALS	33	6	10	6	3		

Boston	000	010	000	1	5	0
Chicago	000	050	10x	610	0	

a-struck out for Valdez in the 5th. b-flied out for Devers in the 8th. 1-ran for DeLoach in the 6th. **LOB:** Boston 9, Chicago 7. **2B:** Mendick (7). **HR:** Dalbec (1), off Nastrini; Sheets (7), off Bello; DeJong (11), off C.Anderson. **RBIs:** Dalbec (7), Vaughn (22), Sheets 4(27), DeJong (24). **SB:** Duran 2 (14), Hamilton (12), Ellis (3). **Runners left in scoring position:** Boston 5(Rafaela, Westbrook, Duran 2, Devers); Chicago 5 (Vaughn, Mendick 3, Colas). **RISP:** Boston 1 for 11; Chicago 3for 9. **GIDP:** Smith, Julks. **DP:** Boston 1(Smith, Hamilton); Chicago 1 (Vaughn, DeJong, Vaughn).

BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bello, L, 6-3	4½	9	5	5	3	2	4.78
Kelly	½	0	0	0	0	2	2.00
C.Anderson	3	1	1	1	1	1	4.41
CHICAGO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Nastrini	4½	2	1	1	5	5	8.39
Banks, W, 1-2	1½	1	0	0	0	2	4.60
Brebba	1	1	0	0	2	6	3.35
Leasure	1	0	0	0	2	3	3.00
Kopech	1	1	0	0	1	2	4.05
HBP: Kopech (Smith). WP: Bello. Umpires: Home, Alan Porter; First, Ryan Blakney; Second, Jim Wolf; Third, Sean Barber. T: 2:51. A: 26,248(40,241).							

Pittsburgh 4, Minnesota 0							
Minnesota	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
Larnach dh	4	0	1	0	1	.263	
Correa ss	4	0	0	0	0	.255	
Lewis 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.333	
Kepler rf	4	0	1	0	3	.253	
Miranda 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.273	
Castro 2b	2	0	1	0	0	.252	
Buxton cf	3	0	1	0	0	.230	
Kirilloff lf	1	0	0	0	0	.213	
a-Margot ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	.214	
Vazquez c	2	0	1	0	0	.175	
b-Jeffers ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	.233	
TOTALS	30	0	6	0	7		

Pittsburgh	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	
McCutchen dh	5	0	3	0	1	.237	
Reynolds lf	4	0	2	0	1	.263	
Joe rf	4	0	0	0	0	.265	
Cruz ss	3	1	0	0	0	.243	
Hayes 3b	4	1	1	0	1	.253	
Gonzales 2b	4	0	1	0	2	.305	
Tellez 1b	4	2	2	3	1	.208	
Grandal c	3	0	0	0	1	.169	
Taylor cf	3	0	1	1	1	.202	
TOTALS	34	4	10	4	8		

Minnesota	000	000	000	0	6	2
Pittsburgh	000	000	13x	410	0	

a-popped out for Kirilloff in the 7th.
b-grounded out for Vazquez in the 8th.
E: Woods Richardson (1), Lewis (1). **LOB:** Minnesota 6, Pittsburgh 9. **HR:** Tellez (2), off Woods Richardson. **RBIs:** Tellez 3(15), Taylor (10). **SB:** Hayes (4), Taylor (4). **S:** Taylor. **Runners left in scoring position:** Minnesota 2(Correa, Margot); Pittsburgh 7(McCutchen 2, Reynolds 2, Cruz, Hayes 2). **RISP:** Minnesota 0for 3; Pittsburgh 2for 12. **Runners moved up:** Larnach, Cruz. **GIDP:** Miranda, Larnach, Buxton, Tellez. **DP:** Minnesota 1 (Miranda, Correa); Pittsburgh 3(Cruz,

COLLEGE BASEBALL

NCAA DIVISION I SUPER REGIONALS (Best-of-3; x-if necessary)
Friday: Florida St. 24, UConn 4
Saturday: Florida St. 10, UConn 8 (12)

AT LINDSEY NELSON STADIUM KNOXVILLE, TENN.
Friday: Tennessee 11, Evansville 6
Saturday: Evansville 10, Tennessee 6 (31-28), 2:30 p.m.
Sunday: Tennessee (52-12) vs. Evansville (38-24), 6 p.m.

Friday: North Carolina 8, West Virginia 6
Saturday: North Carolina 2, West Virginia 1

Friday: Virginia 7, Kansas St 4
Saturday: Virginia 10, Kansas St 4

Saturday: NC State 18, Georgia 1
Sunday: NC State (35-20) vs. Georgia (40-16), Noon
x-Monday: NC State vs. Georgia, TBA

Saturday: Florida 10, Clemson 7
Sunday: Clemson (42-15) vs. Florida (31-28), 2:30 p.m.
x-Monday: Clemson vs. Florida, TBA

Saturday: Texas A&M 10, Oregon 6
Sunday: Oregon (38-19) vs. Texas A&M (47-13), 2:30 p.m.
x-Monday: Oregon vs. Texas A&M, TBA

AT KENTUCKY PROUD PARK LEXINGTON, KY.
Saturday: Kentucky 10, Oregon St. 0
Sunday: Kentucky (43-14) vs. Oregon St. (43-14), 9 p.m.
x-Monday: Oregon St. vs. Kentucky, TBA

NBA PLAYOFFS

NBA FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
#1 Boston 1, #5 Dallas 0
G1: June 6 at Boston 107-89
G 2: Sunday at Boston, 8 p.m.
G3: Wednesday at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
G4: Fri, June 14 at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
x-G5: Mon., June 17 at Boston, 8:30 p.m.
x-G6: Thu., June 20 at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
x-G7: Sun., June 23 at Boston, 8 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFF LEADERS

Through Game 1 of finals

SCORING AVERAGE	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Embiid, PHI	6	59	67	198	33.0
Brunson, NY	13	151	93	421	32.4
Gilgeous-Alexander, OKC	10	111	64	302	30.2
Maxey, PHI	6	66	25	179	29.8
Mitchell, CLE	10	107	53	296	29.6
Doncic, DAL	18	178	102	519	28.8
Jokic, DEN	12	133	64	344	28.7
Davis, LAL	5	59	21	139	27.8
James, LAL	5	56	17	139	27.8
Edwards, MIN	16	156	83	441	27.6
Booker, PHO	4	32	39	110	27.5
Banchero, ORL	7	68	37	189	27.0
Durant, PHO	4	37	28	107	26.8
Tatum, BOS	15	127	94	380	25.3
Brown, BOS	15	145	52	372	24.8
Middleton, MIL	6	55	27	148	24.7
Adebayo, MIA	5	58	15	113	22.6
Iring, DAL	18	151	43	400	22.2
Siakam, IND	17	157	39	367	21.6
Harden, LAC	6	40	29	127	21.2
Murray, DEN	12	100	24	247	20.6
George, LAC	6	39	21	117	19.5
Towns, MIN	16	108	59	305	19.1
Wagner, ORL	7	42	39	132	18.9
Haliburton, IND	15	105	17	280	18.7

3-POINT FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	3FG	3FGA	PCT
Wright, MIA	6	10	.600
Kleber, DAL	11	22	.500
Nembhard, IND	29	60	.483
Hield, PHI	6	13	.462
Mann, LAC	10	22	.455
Turner, IND	39	86	.453
Powell, LAC	13	29	.448
Payne, PHI	8	18	.444
Beasley, MIL	11	25	.440
Martin, MIA	11	25	.440
Beal, PHO	10	23	.435
Lopez, MIL	10	23	.435
Gilgeous-Alexander, OKC	16	37	.432
Burks, NY	12	28	.429
McDaniels, MIN	24	56	.429
DiVincenzo, NY	45	106	.425
Durant, PHO	5	12	.417
Lillard, MIL	20	48	.417
Porzingis, BOS	10	24	.417
Gordon, PHO	7	17	.412
Anunoby, NY	16	39	.410
Joe, OKC	16	39	.410
Batum, PHI	9	22	.409
Jovic, MIA	9	22	.409
Williams, OKC	9	22	.409
Pritchard, BOS	20	49	.408
Gordon, DEN	11	27	.407

WNBA

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	9	1	.900	—
New York	10	2	.833	—
Atlanta	5	4	.556	3½
Chicago	4	6	.400	5
Indiana	3	9	.250	7
Washington	0	11	.000	9½
WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	7	3	.700	—
Seattle	7	3	.700	—
Las Vegas	5	3	.625	1
Phoenix	5	6	.455	2½
Dallas	3	6	.333	3½
Los Angeles	3	7	.300	4

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
New York 82, Connecticut 75
Atlanta 89, Chicago 80

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Washington at New York, 3p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 4p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 7p.m.
Las Vegas at Los Angeles, 9p.m.

MONDAY'S GAME
Indiana at Connecticut, 7p.m.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Indiana 85, Washington 83
Seattle 78, Las Vegas 65
Phoenix 81, Minnesota 80
Los Angeles 81, Dallas 72

Liberty 82, Sun 75

SATURDAY'S RESULT								
NEW YORK	M	FG	FT	RB	A	PF	PT	
Thornton	30:25	2-5	1-2	1	3	1	3	6
Stewart	38:23	5-11	2-2	7	5	3	13	13
Jones	37:32	9-14	0-0	8	5	2	22	22
Laney-Hamilton								
	36:43	4-8	2-2	7	6	3	10	
Ionescu	34:11	8-16	6-6	3	5	3	24	
Fiebach	16:59	3-6	0-1	1	2	5	7	
Burke	4:05	0-0	0-0	1	1	1	0	
Dojkić	1:43	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS		—31-60	11-13	28	27	18	82	
Three-point goals: 9-25, 36.0 (Jones 4-7, Ionescu 2-6, Thornton 1-2, Stewart 1-3, Fiebach 1-4, Laney-Hamilton 0-3). FG pct.: 51.7. FT pct.: 84.6. Turnovers: 11 (Jones 3, Laney-Hamilton 3, Stewart 2, Ionescu 2, Thornton). Blocks: 5 (Jones 4, Stewart).								
Steals: 8 (Laney-Hamilton 3, Ionescu 2, Stewart, Jones, Fiebach).								
CONNECTICUT								
Bonner	34:14	4-14	6-6	8	3	4	16	
Thomas	40:00	5-11	0-2	12	7	2	10	
Jones	34:30	5-12	3-3	4	2	2	13	
Carrington	28:55	10-22	4-2	2	3	12	12	
Harris	38:26	5-16	0-1	3	2	1	11	
Nelson-Ododa	5:04	0-21	2-2	0	0	1	1	
Mitchell	14:27	5-6	1-1	1	1	1	12	
Banham	2:50	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	1	
Burton	1:34	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS		—29-71	13-17	35	17	14	75	
Three-point goals: 4-16, 25.0 (Bonner 2-6, Mitchell 1-1, Harris 1-6, Jones 0-1, Carrington 0-2). FG pct.: 40.8. FT pct.: 76.5. Turnovers: 13 (Thomas 5, Carrington 3, Harris 3, Mitchell, Banham). Blocks: 2 (Bonner, Carrington). Steals: 3 (Bonner, Thomas, Harris).								

Officials: Amy Bonner, Tim Greene, Agon Abazi. Att.: 8,910at Mohegan Sun Arena, Uncasville.

LIBERTY SEASON STATS

through Friday

PLAYER	PPG	G	RB	AST
Breanna Stewart	19.9	11	7.7	3.5
Sabrina Ionescu	17.2	11	4.4	5.3
Jonquel Jones	13.6	11	8.9	2.6
Betnijah Laney-Hamilton	13.0	11	3.1	3.0
Courtney Vandersloot	7.6	9	3.8	5.3
Kayla Thornton	5.4	11	1.5	0.8
Leonie Fiebach	3.5	11	1.9	0.8
Kennedy Burke	3.0	8	5.0	2.5
Nyara Sabally	3.0	8	10.2	1.6
Kenndey Burke	2.8	10	1.3	0.5
Ivana Dojki	2.4	8	0.8	0.4
Marquesha Davis	0.4	7	0.6	0.0
TOTALS	85.5	11	37.0	21.5
Opponents	74.9	11	33.5	19.0

LIBERTY SCHEDULE

Today: vs. Washington, 3 p.m.
June 15: at Las Vegas, 3 p.m.
June 18: at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
June 20: vs. Los Angeles, 7 p.m.
June 22: vs. Los Angeles, 5 p.m.
June 23: at Atlanta, 3 p.m.
June 30: vs. Atlanta, 1 p.m.
July 2: vs. Minnesota, 7 p.m.
July 6: at Indiana, 1 p.m.
July 10: at Connecticut, 11 a.m.
July 11: vs. Chicago, 7 p.m.
July 13: at Chicago, 1 p.m.
July 16: vs. Connecticut, 7 p.m.

NHL PLAYOFFS

STANLEY CUP FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Florida 1, Edmonton 0
G1: Saturday at Florida 3-0.
G2: Monday at Florida, 8 p.m.
G3: Thursday at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
G4: Sat, June 15 at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
x-G5: Tue, June 18 at Florida, 8 p.m.
x-G6: Fri, June 21 at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
x-G7: Mon, June 24 at Florida, 8 p.m.

Florida 3, Edmonton 0

Edmonton	0	0	0	—	0
Florida	1	1	1	—	3
First Period: 1, Florida, Verhaeghe 10 (Barkov, Reinhart), 3:59					
Penalties: Ekholm, EDM (Tripping), 7:33; Forsling, FLA (Tripping), 14:53; Verhaeghe, FLA (High Sticking), 19:51					
Second Period: 2, Florida, Rodrigues 4 (Montour, Bennett), 2:16					
Penalties: Stenlund, FLA (Roughing), 10:24; Ekman-Larsson, FLA (Roughing), 10:24; Brown, EDM (Roughing), 10:24; Janmark, EDM (Roughing), 10:24; Bennett, FLA (Interference), 10:38					
Third Period: 3, Florida, Luostarinen 2 (Barkov), 19:55 (en)					
Penalties: Perry, EDM (Interference), 6:47					
Shots on Goal: Edmonton 12-13-8—33; Florida 4-8-6—18					
Power-play opportunities: Edmonton 0 of 3; Florida 0 of 2					
Goalies: Edmonton, Skinner 11-6-0 (17 shots-15 saves); Florida, Bobrovsky 13-5-0 (32-32)					
A: 19,543 (19,250)					
T: 2:31					
Referees: Steve Kozari, Dan O'Rourke					
Linesmen: Matt MacPherson, Jonny Murray					

FINALS SERIES PLAYOFF STATS

through Conference Finals	FLORIDA	G	A	PT	S	ATOI
Matthew Tkachuk	5	14	19	66	19:02	
Carter Verhaeghe	9	8	17	61	19:58	
Aleksander Barkov	6	11	17	45	21:46	
Sam Reinhart	8	4	12	65	21:53	
Anton Lundell	3	9	12	21	16:36	
Gustav Forsling	4	7	11	43	23:18	
Sam Bennett	6	4	10	26	15:24	
Brandon Montour	3	6	9	38	23:24	
Evan Rodrigues	3	5	8	32	14:35	
Vladimir Tarasenko	3	3	6	28	14:07	
Eetu Luostarinen	1	5	6	23	15:14	
Aaron Ekblad	0	5	5	25	22:37	
Oliver Ekman-Larsson	1	3	4	19	15:14	
Steven Lorentz	2	1	3	5	7:00	
Niko Mikkola	1	2	3	15	18:52	
Kyle Okposo	0	2	2	11	8:41	
Sergei Bobrovsky	0	1	1	0	61:01	
Nick Cousins	0	1	1	8	8:36	
Kevin Stenlund	0	1	1	15	11:26	
Dmitry Kulikov	0	0	0	10	13:57	
Ryan Lomberg	0	0	0	9	7:42	
Team	55	92	147	565	—	
GOALTENDER	W	LSV%	GAA	MIN		
Sergei Bobrovsky	12	5	.908	2.20	1037	
Team	12	5	.908	2.20	1037	
EDMONTON	G	A	PT	S	ATOI	
Connor McDavid	5	26	31	55	22:55	
Leon Draisaitl	10	18	28	57	21:24	
Evan Bouchard	6	21	27	54	24:33	
Ryan	6	14	20	24	20:15	
Nugent-Hopkins						
Zach Hyman	14	4	18	76	21:12	
Evander Kane	4	4	8	44	15:11	
Mattias Ekholm	4	3	7	29	21:56	
Brett Kulak	1	4	5	13	16:35	
Dylan Holloway	3	1	4	22	11:54	
Cody Ceci	2	2	4	18	19:54	
Adam Henrique	2	2	4	7	14:41	
Mattias Janmark	2	2	4	13	11:19	
Connor Brown	1	3	4	8	11:09	
Warren Foegele	1	2	3	22	12:09	
Darnell Nurse	0	3	3	32	20:00	
Philip Broberg	1	0	1	2	13:25	
Ryan McLeod	1	0	1	18	14:08	
Sam Carrick	0	1	1	4	9:26	
Vincent Desharnais	0	1	1	4	17:20	
Corey Perry	0	1	1	10	11:15	
Derek Ryan	0	1	1	8	8:55	
Calvin Pickard	0	0	0	0	45:18	
Stuart Skinner	0	0	0	0	60:07	
Team	63	113	176	520	—	

Zach Hyman	14	4	18	76	21:12
Evander Kane	4	4	8	44	15:11
Mattias Ekholm	4	3	7	29	21:56
Brett Kulak	1	4	5	13	16:35
Dylan Holloway	3	1	4	22	11:54
Cody Ceci	2	2	4	18	19:54
Adam Henrique	2	2	4	7	14:41
Mattias Janmark	2	2	4	13	11:19
Connor Brown	1	3	4	8	11:09
Warren Foegele	1	2	3	22	12:09
Darnell Nurse	0	3	3	32	20:00
Philip Broberg	1	0	1	2	13:25
Ryan McLeod	1	0	1	18	14:08
Sam Carrick	0	1	1	4	9:26
Vincent Desharnais	0	1	1	4	17:20
Corey Perry	0	1	1	10	11:15
Derek Ryan	0	1	1	8	8:55
Calvin Pickard	0	0	0	0	45:18
Stuart Skinner	0	0	0	0	60:07
Team	63	113	176	520	—

STANLEY CUP CHAMPIONS

2023: Vegas, Coach Bruce Cassidy
2022: Colorado, Coach Jared Bednar
2021: Tampa Bay, Coach Jon Cooper
2020: Tampa Bay, Coach Jon Cooper
2019: St. Louis, Coach Craig Berube
2018: Washington, Coach Barry Trotz
2017: Pittsburgh, Coach Mike Sullivan
2016: Pittsburgh, Coach Mike Sullivan

SOCCER

MLS EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Inter Miami CF	10	3	5	35	42	27
Cincinnati	10	3	3	33	23	16
New York City FC	9	5	2	29	24	17
New York	8	4	5	29	29	23
Charlotte FC	7	6	4	25	18	18
Toronto FC	7	7	3	24	26	26
Columbus	6	2	6	24	21	13
Philadelphia	4	4	8	20	27	23
Nashville	4	5	7	19	20	22
D.C. United	4	6	7	19	25	31
Orlando City	4	7	5	17	16	24
CF Montréal	4	7	5	17	23	35
Atlanta	4	8	4	16	22	21
Chicago	3	8	6	15	17	29
New England	4	10	1	13	12	27
WESTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Real Salt Lake	9	2	6	33	36	19
Los Angeles FC	9	4	3	30	28	19
Minnesota United	8	3	5	29	28	21
LA Galaxy	7	3	7	28	31	25
Vancouver	7	5	4	25	24	19
Austin FC	6	6	5	23	21	25
Houston	6	6	4	22	18	18
Colorado	6	7	4	22	29	31
Portland	5	7	6	21	32	32
Seattle	4	7	6	18	20	21
St Louis City	3	4	9	18	23	25
FC Dallas	3	8	5	14	18	25
Sporting KC	3	9	5	14	26	32
San Jose	3	11	2	11	24	39

Three points for win, one point for tie.

HORSE RACING

156TH BELMONT STAKES

12th Race at Saratoga, Saturday; 12th-\$2,000,000, Stakes, 3-Year-Olds, One Mile and One Fourth. Belmont S. Presented by NYRA Bets Off 6:45. Clear, Fast

Horse	Wgt	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1M	Strch	Fin	Jockey
(6)Dornoch	126	6	2-½	2-1	2-2	1-hd	2-3	1-½	L. Saez
(10)Mindframe	126	10	4-1	3-½	3-hd	3-2	1-hd	2-1	I. Ortiz Jr.
(9)Sierra Leone	126	9	9-4	9-2½	9-2½	10	3-hd	3-4	F. Prat
(8)Honor Marie	126	8	10	10	10	8-hd	6-1	4-2	F. Geroux
(5)Antiquarian	126	5	6-½	5-1½	5-1½	4-½	5-hd	5-2¼	J. Velazquez
(7)Protective	126	7	8-2	8-2	8-½	9-1	8-3	6-3	T. Gaffalione
(1)Seize the Grey	126	1	1-1½	1-½	1-½	2-½	4-½	7-3	J. Torres
(9)Mystik Dan	126	3	5-hd	7-5	7-5	6-½	7-½	8-6	B.Hernandez Jr.
(1)The Wine Steward	126	4	7-4	6-½	6-½	5-1	9-49-11½		M. Franco
(2)Resilience	126	2	3-hd	4-hd	4-hd	7-hd	10	10	J. Alvarado
Time			22.99	47.25		1:10.67	1:35.51	2:01.64	

6 (6)	Dornoch		37.40		17.60	8.10
10 (10)	Mindframe			6.80		4.20
9 (9)	Sierra Leone					2.60

\$1Pick 6(1-1-8-2-9-6) 6Correct Paid \$35,034.00.
\$1Pick 6(1-1-8-2-9-6) 5Correct Paid \$227.25.
\$0.50Pick 5(1-8-2-9-6) 5Correct Paid \$3,972.50.
\$0.5Pick 4(8-2-9-6) 4Correct Paid \$514.00.
\$1Pick 3(2-9-6) 3Correct Paid \$213.25.
\$0.50Trifecta (6-10-9) paid \$236.50.
\$0.10Superfecta (6-10-9-8) paid \$320.05.
\$1Exacta (6-10) paid \$163.25.
\$1Daily Double (9-6) paid \$86.50.
\$5Daily Double (MET MILE/BELMONT) (2-6) paid \$240.00.
\$5Daily Double (NEW YORK/BELMONT) (3-6) paid \$942.50.

Trainer: Danny Gargan
Winner: Dornoch, Bay Colt, by Good Magic out of Puca, by Big Brown. Foaled Apr 22, 2021 in Kentucky.
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BELMONT STAKES WINNERS;

*2020 race run at 1 & 1/8 miles and as the 1st of the 3 Triple Crown races due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Year	Horse	Trainer	Jockey	Time
2023	Arcangelo	Jena M. Antonucci	Javier Castellano	2:29.23
2022	Mo Donegal	Todd Pletcher	Irad Ortiz Jr.	2:28.28
2021	Essential Quality	Brad H. Cox	Luis Saez	02:27.1
2020*	Tiz the Law	Barclay Tagg	Manny Franco	01:46.5
2019	Sir Winston	Mark E. Casse	Joel Rosario	02:28.3
2018	Justify	Bob Baffert	Mike Smith	02:28.2
2017	Tapwrit	Todd Pletcher	Jose Ortiz	02:30.0
2016	Creator	Steve Asmussen	Irad Ortiz, Jr	02:28.5
2015	American Pharoah	Bob Baffert	Victor Espinoza	02:26.7
2014	Tonalist	Christophe Clement	Joel Rosario	02:28.5
2013	Palace Malice	Todd Pletcher	Mike Smith	02:30.7

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Cup Series Toyota / Save Mart 350 lineup After Saturday qualifying; race Sunday at Sonoma Raceway, Sonoma, Calif. Lap length: 1.99 miles (Car number in parentheses)

- (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 97.771mph.
- (45) Tyler Reddick, Toyota, 97.661.
- (12) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 97.566.
- (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 97.562.
- (5) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 97.542.
- (24) William Byron, Chevrolet, 97.518.
- (99) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, 97.513.
- (48) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 97.420.
- (1) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 97.390.
- (54) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, 97.113.
- (16) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 97.485.
- (34) Michael McDowell, Ford, 97.011.
- (77) Carson Hocevar, Chevrolet, 97.076.
- (38) Todd Gilliland, Ford, 96.944.
- (20) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 96.981.
- (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 96.829.
- (17) Corey LaJoie, Chevrolet, 96.923.
- (23) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 96.819.
- (10) Noah Gragson, Ford, 96.808.
- (71) Zane Smith, Chevrolet, 96.804.
- (19) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, 96.804.
- (21) Harrison Burton, Ford, 96.752.
- (34) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 96.744.
- (33) Will Brown, Chevrolet, 96.752.
- (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 96.614.
- (17) Chris Buescher, Ford, 96.691.
- (51) Justin Haley, Ford, 96.555.
- (2) Austin Cindric, Ford, 96.516.
- (8) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 96.465.
- (41) Ryan Preece, Ford, 96.193.
- (60) Cam Waters, Ford, 96.334.
- (4) Josh Berry, Ford, 96.180.
- (47) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, 96.280.
- (31) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 96.098.
- (6) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 96.166.
- (15) Kaz Grala, Ford, 95.669.
- (42) John H. Nemechek, Toyota, 95.695.
- (43) Erik Jones, Toyota, 95.260.

FASTEST LAPS

NASCAR Cup fastest laps with points standing positions, percentage and total fastest laps:

DRIVER	POS.	PCT.	LAPS
1. Kyle Larson	2	8.6	299
2. Denny Hamlin	1	8	294
3. Christopher Bell	8	7.5	276
4. Tyler Reddick	6	6.9	253
5. Martin Truex Jr	4	6.7	247
6. Ryan Blaney	12	4.7	172
7. Ty Gibbs	7	4.6	170
8. William Byron	5	4.4	163
9. Brad Keselowski	9	3.7	138
10. Chase Elliott	3	3.1	115

NASCAR CUP SERIES

P	MANUFACTURER	PTS	PB	W
1	Toyota	545	--	6
2	Chevrolet	542	-3	7
3	Ford	513	-32	2

DRIVER POINTS

Denny Hamlin	15	3	7	8	534
Kyle Larson	14	2	6	7	513
Chase Elliott	15	1	5	7	507
Martin Truex Jr	15	0	4	7	490
William Byron	15	3	5	9	488
Tyler Reddick	15	1	6	9	473
Ty Gibbs	15	0	4	8	465
Christopher Bell	15	2	4	8	437
Brad Keselowski	15	1	7	8	437
Alex Bowman	15	0	4	9	417
Ross Chastain	15	0	1	5	417
Ryan Blaney	15	0	4	5	405
Bubba Wallace	15	0	3	5	371
Chris Buescher	15	0	2	6	368
Chase Briscoe	15	0	1	5	358
Joey Logano	15	0	2	4	354
Kyle Busch	15	0	2	5	348
Austin Cindric	15	1	2	2	305
Daniel Suarez	15	1	2	2	290
Josh Berry	15	0	1	2	264
Carson Hocevar	15	0	0	2	259
Todd Gilliland	15	0	0	1	258
Noah Gragson	15	0	1	5	255
Michael McDowell	15	0	0	4	255
John H. Nemechek	15	0	0	2	228
Erik Jones	13	0	0	1	228
Ricky Stenhouse Jr	15	0	1	2	223
Daniel Hemric	15	0	0	2	217
Ryan Preece	15	0	0	1	211
Austin Dillon	15	0	0	2	210
Justin Haley	15	0	0	2	205
Corey LaJoie	15	0	1	1	194
Harrison Burton	15	0	0	1	155
Zane Smith	15	0	0	0	131
Kaz Grala	12	0	0	0	122
Jimmie Johnson	5	0	0	0	35
Derek Kraus	5	0	0	0	32
David Ragan	1	0	0	0	17
Cody Ware	2	0	0	0	17
Kamui Kobayashi	1	0	0	0	8

LAPS IN THE TOP 15

PCT.	LAPS
87.2	3789
77	3346
79.8	3268
73	3171
68	2952
66.8	2903
63.3	2747
61.6	2676
60.7	2635
59.2	2573

GOLF

PGA MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

3rd of 4 rounds, Muirfield Village Golf Club, Dublin, Ohio, 7,569 yards; Par: 72	
Scottie Scheffler	67-68-71—206 -10
Adam Hadwin	66-72-72—210 -6
Collin Morikawa	68-74-68—210 -6
Sepp Straka	72-70-68—210 -6
Ludvig Aberg	68-72-72—212 -4
Xander Schauffele	68-73-71—212 -4
Christiaan Bezuidenhout	72-67-74—213 -3
Nick Dunlap	70-73-70—213 -3
Victor Perez	71-74-68—213 -3
Sahith Theegala	73-71-69—213 -3
Tony Finau	71-70-73—214 -2
Sungjae Im	76-71-67—214 -2
Rory McIlroy	70-71-73—214 -2
Tommy Fleetwood	69-73-73—215 -1
Viktor Hovland	69-69-77—215 -1
Si Woo Kim	72-70-73—215 -1
Shane Lowry	74-73-68—215 -1

LIV GOLF HOUSTON

2nd of 3 rounds, Golf Club of Houston, Houston, 7,353 yards; Par: 72	
x-replaced Louis Oosthuizen	
Teams Scores	
1st Place \$3 million; 2nd Place \$1.5 million; 3rd Place \$500,000	
Fireballs GC (S.Garcia-c, A.Ancer, E.Lo-pezz-Chacarra, D.Puig)	-26
Torque GC (J.Niemann-c, C.Ortiz, M.Pereira, S.Munoz)	-22
Cleeks GC (M.Kaymer-c, R. Bland, A.Meronk, K.Samooja)	-21
4 Aces GC (D.Johnson-c, P.Uihlein, P.Perez, P.Reed)	-21
Crushers GC (B.DeChambeau-c, J. Catlin, A.Lahiri, P.Casey)	-21
Ripper GC (C.Smith-c, M.Leishman, M.Jones, L.Herbert)	-17
Smash GC (B.Koepka-c, T.Gooch, J.Kokrak, G.McDowell)	-17
HyFlyers GC (P.Mickelson-c, B.Steele, A.Ogletree, C.Tringale)	-13
Legion XIII (J.Rahm-c, T.Hatton, K.Vincent, C.Surratt)	-12
Majesticks GC (I.Poulter-c, L.Westwood, H.Stenson, S.Horsfield)	-12
Rangeboats GC (B.Watson-c, T.Pieters, P.Uihlein, M.Wolff)	-12
Iron Heads GC (K.Na-c, S.Vincent, D.Lee, J.Kozuma)	-9

SHOPRITE LPGA CLASSIC

2nd of 3 rounds, Bay Course, Galloway, N.J., 6,197 yards; Par: 71	
Arpichaya Yubol	33-28—61 -10
Jenny Shin	63-69—132 -10
Albane Valenzuela	65-68—133 -9
Na Rin An	64-70—134 -8
Ssu-Chia Cheng	69-65—134 -8
Wei-Ling Hsu	65-69—134 -8
Megan Khang	65-69—134 -8
Ayaka Furue	67-68—135 -7
Stefanie Kyriacou	65-70—135 -7
Jeonghan Lee	67-68—135 -7
Yaelimi Noh	66-69—135 -7
Mao Saigo	67-68—135 -7
Alena Sharp	67-68—135 -7
Yu Jin Sung	67-68—135 -7
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	68-68—136 -6
Maria Fassi	68-68—136 -6
Eun-Hee Ji	68-68—136 -6
Auston Kim	67-69—136 -6
Jin Young Ko	67-69—136 -6
Somi Lee	68-68—136 -6
Morgane Mettraux	68-68—136 -6
Hira Naveed	67-69—136 -6

CHAMPIONS AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

2nd of 3 rounds, University Ridge GC, Madison, Wis., 7,083 yards; Par: 72	
Ernie Els	71-64—135 -9
Steve Stricker	69-66—135 -9
David Duval	69-68—137 -7
Jerry Kelly	69-69—138 -6
Timothy O'Neal	70-68—138 -6
Steve Allan	70-69—139 -5
Shane Bertsch	71-68—139 -5
Thomas Bjorn	69-70—139 -5
Greg Chalmers	71-68—139 -5
Chris DiMarco	72-67—139 -5
Steve Flesch	70-69—139 -5
Brian Gay	71-68—139 -5
Thongchai Jaidee	71-68—139 -5
Duffy Waldorf	69-70—139 -5

VOLVO CAR SCANDANAVIAN MIXED

3rd of 4 rounds, Vasatorps Golfklubb, Helsingborg, Sweden, 7,295 yards; Par: 72	
Sebastian Soderberg	63-66-66—195 -21
Calum Hill, Scotland	69-67-67—203 -13
Alexander Bjork	69-67-68—204 -12
Alice Hewson	69-68-67—204 -12
Santiago Tarrío	71-68-65—204 -12
Rafa Cabrera Bello	68-70-67—205 -11
Niels Cantorpe	68-67-70—205 -11
Scott Jamieson	67-65-73—205 -11
Andy Sullivan	69-69-67—205 -11
Jesper Svensson	68-67-70—205 -11

Akshay Bhatia	69-72-75—216 E
Max Homa	71-73-72—216 E
J.T. Poston	75-69-72—216 E
Seamus Power	69-74-73—216 E
Byeong Hun An	71-73-73—217 +1
Keegan Bradley	70-69-78—217 +1
Sam Burns	71-75-71—217 +1
Jason Day	73-75-69—217 +1
Matt Fitzpatrick	73-70-74—217 +1
Brian Harman	77-69-71—217 +1
Hideki Matsuyama	73-70-74—217 +1
Will Zalatoris	74-70-73—217 +1
Russell Henley	73-71-74—218 +2
Eric Cole	70-75-74—219 +3
Thomas Detry	72-76-71—219 +3
Austin Eckroat	77-71-71—219 +3
Billy Horschel	69-74-76—219 +3
Peter Malnati	72-73-74—219 +3
Denny McCarthy	76-70-73—219 +3
Alex Noren	70-74-75—219 +3

Stinger GC (W. Ormsby, D.Burmester, C.Schwartzel, B.Grace) -7

Top Individuals	
Adrian Meronk	65-69—134 -10
Carlos Ortiz	66-68—134 -10
Paul Casey	67-67—134 -10
David Puig	68-66—134 -10
Patrick Reed	67-68—135 -9
Joaquin Niemann	67-69—136 -8
Matthew Wolff	69-67—136 -8
Martin Kaymer	65-72—137 -7
Sergio Garcia	67-70—137 -7
Graeme McDowell	69-68—137 -7
Lucas Herbert	69-68—137 -7
Jason Kokrak	71-66—137 -7
Kevin Na	66-72—138 -6
Dustin Johnson	67-71—138 -6
Anirban Lahiri	69-69—138 -6
Thomas Pieters	70-68—138 -6
Ian Poulter	67-72—139 -5
Bryson Dechambeau	69-70—139 -5
Cameron Tringale	70-69—139 -5
Sebastian Munoz	69-71—140 -4
Henrik Stenson	70-70—140 -4
Cameron Smith	70-70—140 -4
Brendan Steele	70-70—140 -4
Tyrell Hatten	70-70—140 -4
Kieran Vincent	70-70—140 -4
Junichiro Kozuma	70-70—140 -4
Phil Mickelson	71-69—140 -4
Pat Perez	72-68—140 -4

Yue Ren	68-68—136 -6
Atthaya Thitikul	69-67—136 -6
Lindsey Weaver-Wright	67-69—136 -6
Dewi Weber	69-67—136 -6
Arpichaya Yubol	61-75—136 -6
Lauren Coughlin	69-68—137 -5
Perrine Delacour	67-70—137 -5
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Azahara Munoz	66-71—137 -5
Lizette Salas	67-70—137 -5
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Dottie Ardina	68-70—138 -4
Jaravee Boonchant	67-71—138 -4
Robyn Choi	66-72—138 -4
Cyndey Clanton	70-68—138 -4
Gianna Clemente	68-70—138 -4
Isi Gabsa	69-69—138 -4
Kristen Gillman	71-67—138 -4
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	67-71—138 -4
Yan Liu	67-71—138 -4
Gaby Lopez	71-67—138 -4

Mark Hensby	73-67—140 -4
Miguel Angel Jimenez	72-68—140 -4
Scott McCarron	71-69—140 -4
Cameron Percy	70-70—140 -4
Boo Weekley	68-72—140 -4
Y.E. Yang	72-68—140 -4
Stephen Ames	73-68—141 -3
Lee Janzen	69-72—141 -3
Justin Leonard	70-71—141 -3
Kevin Sutherland	72-69—141 -3
Ken Tanigawa	73-68—141 -3
Michael Wright	72-69—141 -3
Doug Barron	70-72—142 -2
Paul Broadhurst	72-70—142 -2
Angel Cabrera	73-69—142 -2
Darren Clarke	71-71—142 -2

THE OTHER

Kyrie Irving is happy these days as he leads the Dallas Mavericks into the NBA Finals against the Boston Celtics, which makes his tumultuous days with the Nets (inset) seem like a very long time ago. AP



SIDE OF KYRIE

Happy and healthy Irving is smiling again as his Mavs play in NBA Finals

BY SCHUYLER DIXON
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Kyrie Irving directed obscene gestures and profanity at a hostile crowd in Boston the last time the star Dallas guard saw the Celtics, one of his former teams, in the playoffs two years ago.

It was one tumultuous moment of many in a tension-filled tenure with Brooklyn that ended with his trade to the Mavericks about 10 months later.

Healthier and happier, as he likes to say, Irving is back on the biggest stage in his sport with the Mavs set to face the Boston Celtics in the NBA Finals starting Thursday night.

Throughout the deepest playoff run for Dallas in 13 years, the reflective side of Irving has surfaced frequently, stopping short of mea culpas but making clear he's learned a lot along the way.

"I will say last time in Boston, I don't think that was the best — not this regular season, but when we played in the playoffs and everyone saw me flip off the birds and kind of lose my (stuff) a little bit — that wasn't a great reflection of who I am and how I like to compete on a high level," Irving said.

"It wasn't a great reflection on my end towards the next generation on what it means to control your emotions in that type of environment, no matter what people are yelling at you."

Before jilting Boston fans by signing with the Nets and joining Kevin Durant in free agency in 2019, Irving was already a polarizing player.

Then came the COVID-19 pandemic and Irving's refusal to get vaccinated, which meant he couldn't play home games for Brooklyn because of New York City's vaccine mandate for employees.

Next was Irving's social media post of a link to a movie containing antisemitic material, which led to a suspension from the Nets and the end of his longtime business relationship with Nike.

Ultimately, Irving asked out of Brooklyn, and he and Durant were traded days apart last year, giving Irving a new co-star in Mavs point guard Luka Doncic.

The former No. 1 overall pick out of Duke had never been anywhere near Texas in his career but was greeted by two familiar faces. Mavs general manager Nico Harrison used to work for Nike, and coach Jason Kidd was the point guard of the then-New Jersey Nets when Irving was growing up in that area.

Irving caught up with the team in Los Angeles after the trade, and the Mavericks won their first two games with him.

"You could see the smile," Kidd said. "You could see the relief, or you could see that he was ready to have fun and play the game that he loves."

The partial season together didn't work out for Irving and Doncic. Dallas missed the playoffs. The first full season together was what the Mavs expected when they pulled off Harrison's first blockbuster trade.

A late-season surge lifted the Mavs to fifth in the West, although they've been the lower seed throughout these playoffs.

Dallas beat the Los Angeles Clippers in six games

in the first round, ousting Tyronn Lue, Irving's coach from his championship season alongside LeBron James in Cleveland in 2016.

"He's very, very patient," Lue said after that series of the difference between the Irving he coached and today's version. "You couldn't get this Kyrie when I had him. He wants to kill you every moment, every second. But now you can see, he's just letting the game come to him."

The Mavs beat top-seeded Oklahoma City in six games before knocking out No. 3 Minnesota in five games in the Western Conference finals, the clincher giving Dallas a five-game road winning streak in the playoffs.

"I feel like it's a great chapter that's being written right now," Irving said. "I'm enjoying every step of the way. I'm not taking anything for granted. I'm enjoying the hot weather right now. I'm enjoying the Dallas community. We talked about this early in the season, just how much I felt embraced."

Irving went on to say it went deeper than that, reminding reporters of an entire career spent in the other conference.

"Seasonal depression is real when you're growing up in the north," Irving said. "I spent 12 years in the Eastern Conference in three cold cities that deal with four seasons. So you come out here and you're able to get outside and ground yourself a little bit more and spend some time with your family. Watch your kids run outside."

Irving and Doncic have at least another season together. Irving has a player option for 2025-26, Doncic for the season after that.

Kidd believes a preseason trip to Madrid, where Doncic grew as a teenaged pro in the EuroLeague, helped the two superstars bond.

Now, winning is cementing that bond, one of the most poignant moments for the pair coming in the final seconds of Game 3 against the Timberwolves, after the Mavs knew they had clinched a 3-0 lead.

"When we were winning by nine on that last possession, I told (Irving), 'I'm tired,' and he told me, 'That's the way it's supposed to be,'" Doncic said. "He brought the calmness to the team and to me. He brought the maturity. I'm learning from him every day."

There might not have been many teammates lining up to say those things in Irving's first three stops, and the magnitude looms larger with the words coming from the face of the Dallas franchise.

Even though his relationships with Jayson Tatum, Jaylen Brown and some of his other former Boston teammates are fine, Irving believes he is a better teammate now than he was then.

"The greatest thing I learned from Boston was just being able to manage not only my emotions, but just what's going on on a day-to-day basis of being a leader of a team or being one of the leaders and having young guys around you that have their own goals," Irving said. "You have to learn how to put the big picture first."

A more introspective Irving is on the big stage again, and knows what's coming from the crowd in Boston.

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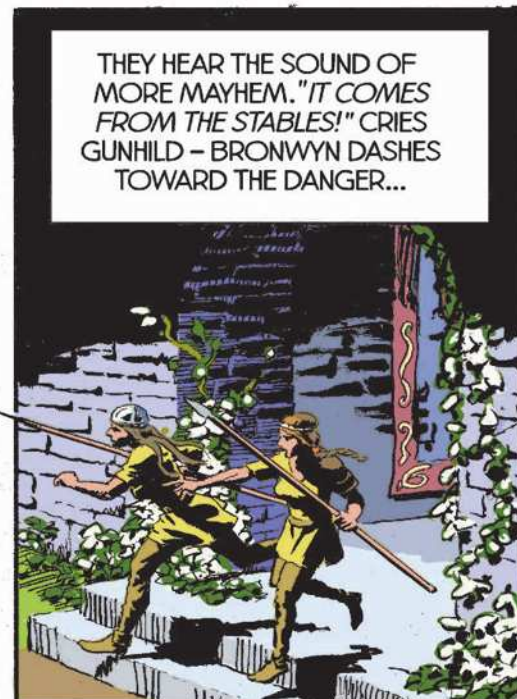
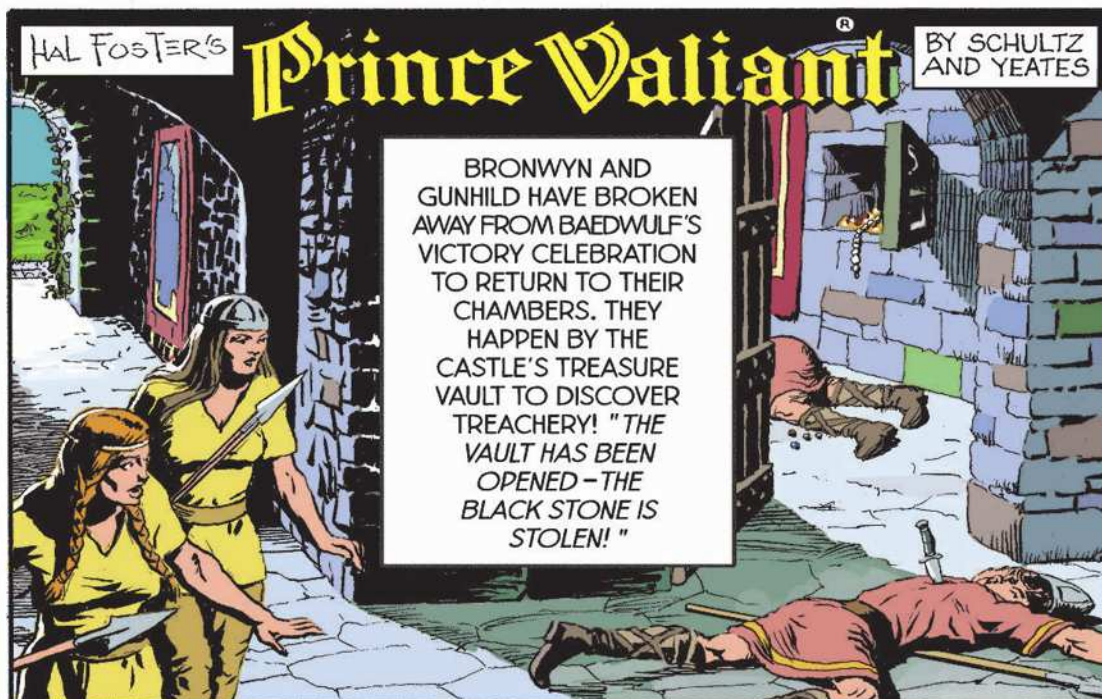


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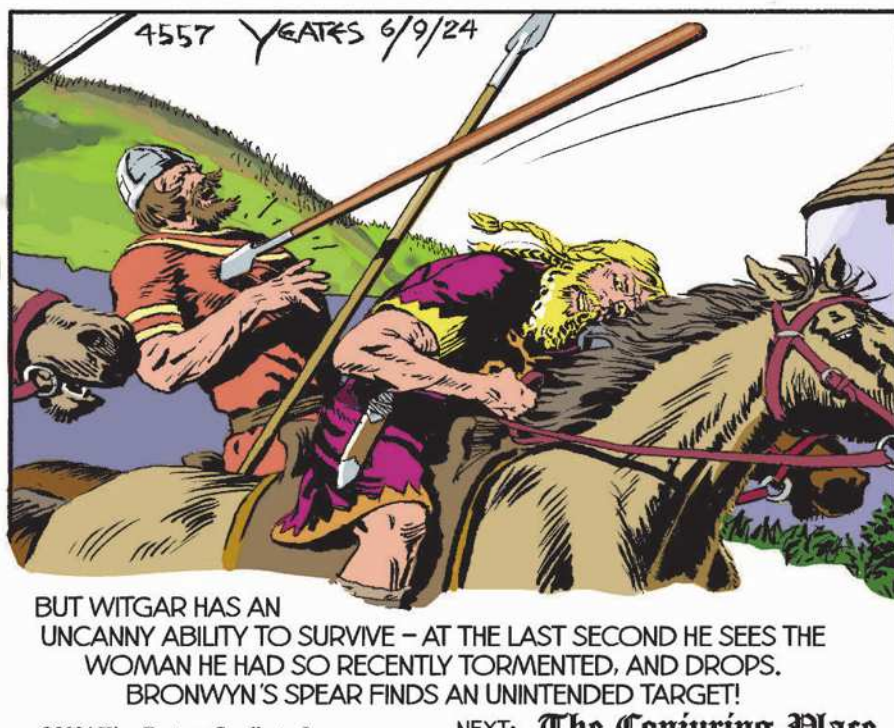
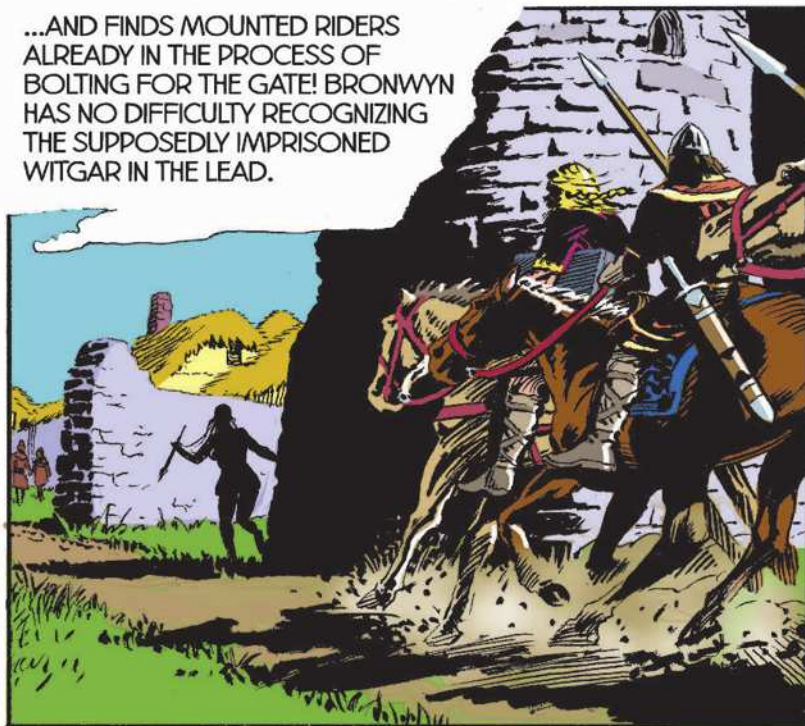
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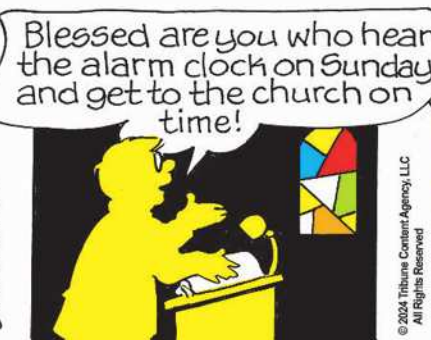
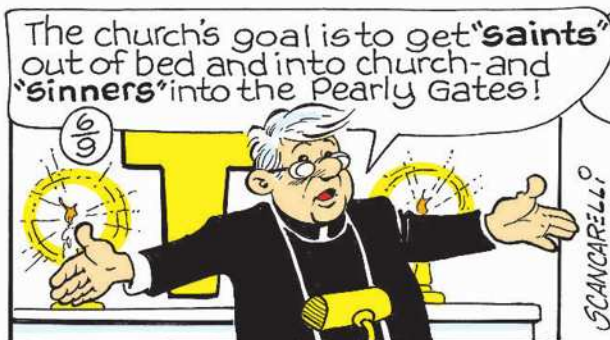
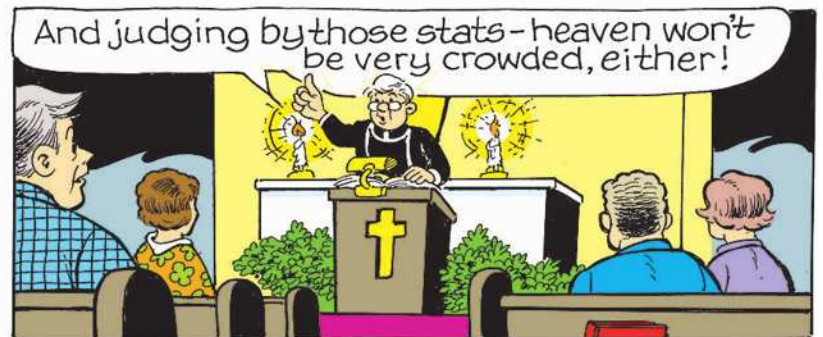
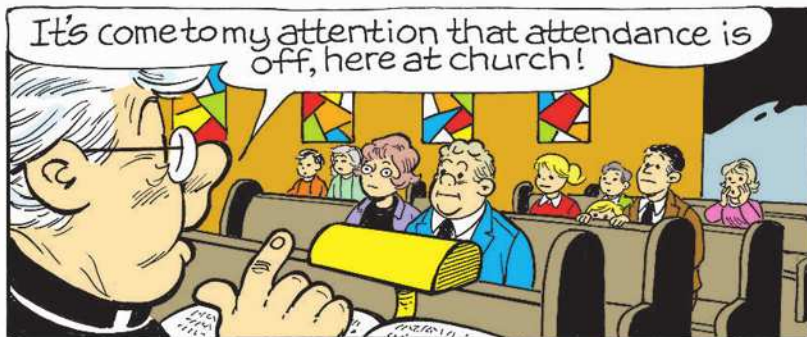
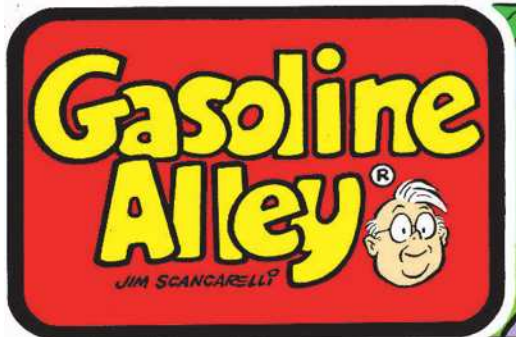
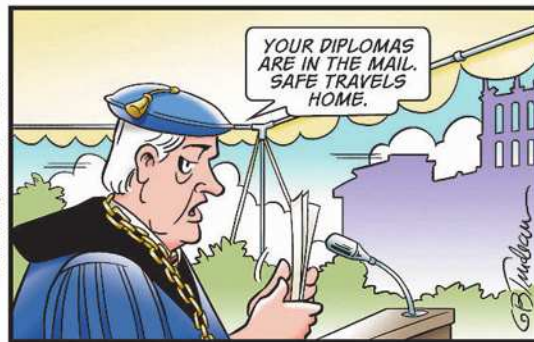
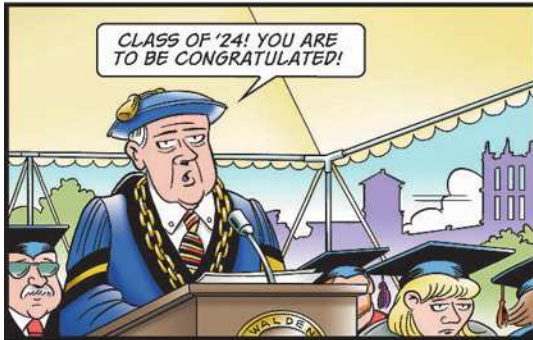
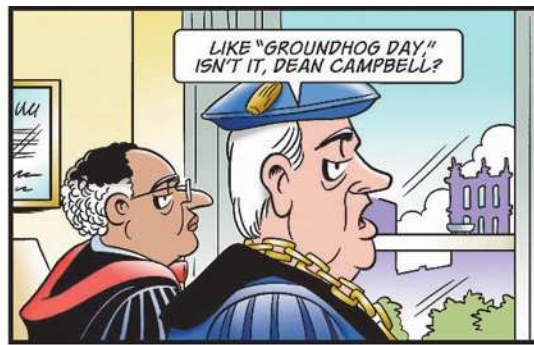


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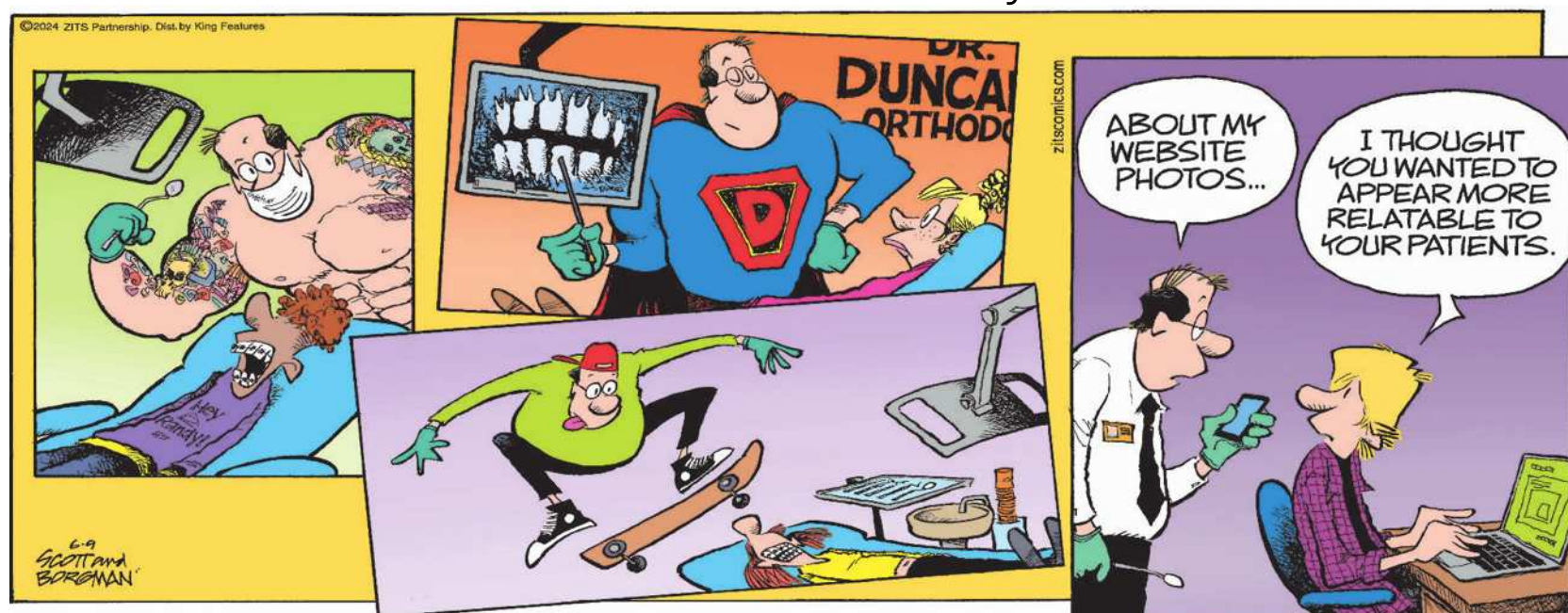
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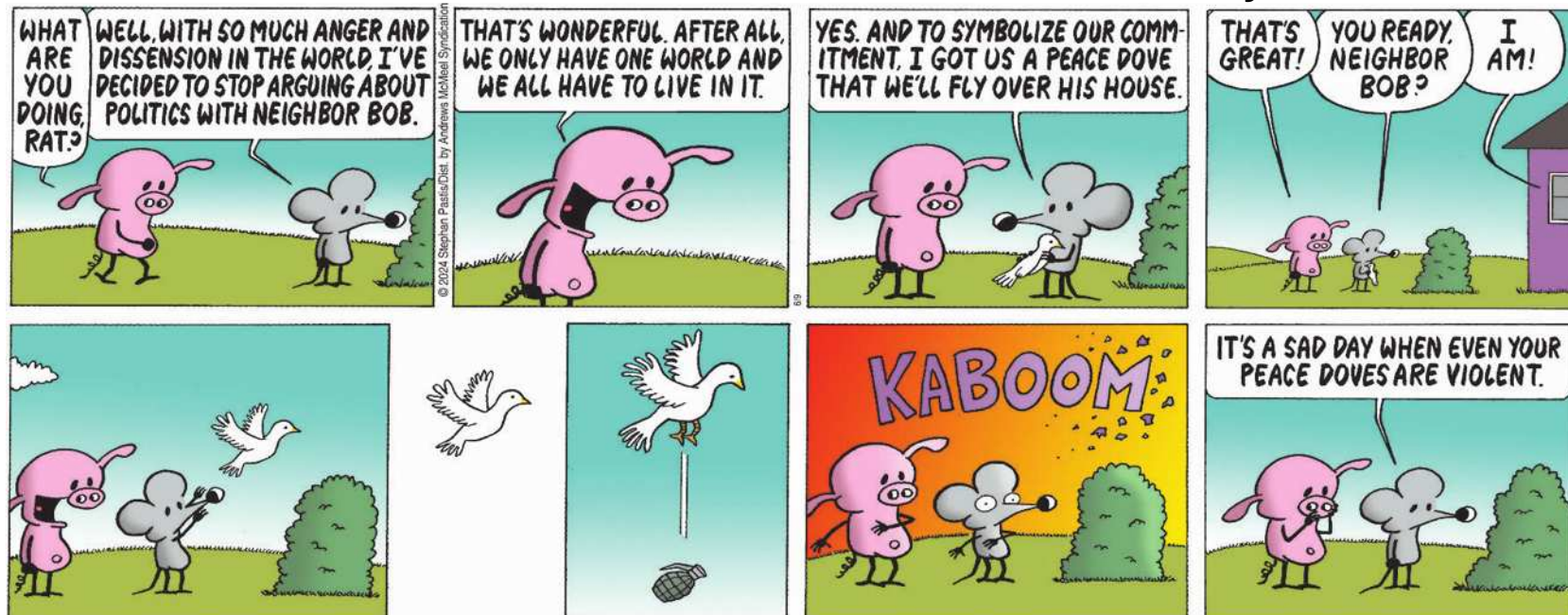
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SUDOKU High Fives

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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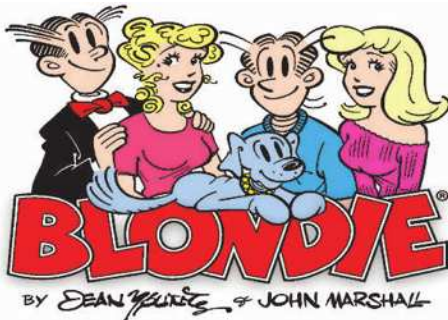
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HOW TO PLAY: Sudoku High Fives consists of five regular Sudoku grids sharing one set of 3-by-3 boxes. Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition. The numbers in any shared set of 3-by-3 boxes apply to each of the individual Sudokus.

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BIOGRAPHIC

By STEVE MCGARRY

RUSSELL CROWE

BORN NEAR WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND, ON APRIL 7, 1964, **RUSSELL CROWE** SPENT MUCH OF HIS CHILDHOOD IN AUSTRALIA, WHERE HIS PARENTS WORKED AS FILM SET CATERERS. HE MADE HIS ACTING DEBUT AT THE AGE OF 6 IN THE TV SERIES "SPYFORCE" AND APPEARED ON "THE YOUNG DOCTORS" WHEN HE WAS 12. TWO YEARS LATER, THE FAMILY RETURNED TO NEW ZEALAND.

ADOPTING THE NAME **RUSSELL CROWE**, AT 17 HE FORMED THE BAND **ROMAN ANTI-X**, RELEASING A NUMBER OF SINGLES, INCLUDING "I JUST WANNA BE LIKE MARLON BRANDO."



HE MADE HIS PROFESSIONAL STAGE DEBUT IN "THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW," GOING ON TO APPEAR IN MORE THAN 400 PERFORMANCES IN NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA. MORE STAGE WORK LED TO A ROLE ON THE AUSTRALIAN TV SOAP "NEIGHBOURS" AND HIS FIRST MOVIE ROLE IN "BLOOD OATH."

HIS BIG BREAK CAME WITH THE STARRING ROLE IN THE 1992 MOVIE "ROMPER STOMPER."



DOORS QUICKLY OPENED IN HOLLYWOOD. **SHARON STONE** DELAYED PRODUCTION ON THE 1995 WESTERN "THE QUICK AND THE DEAD" TO ACCOMMODATE HIS FILMING SCHEDULE. "VIRTUOSITY" CAST HIM OPPOSITE **DENZEL WASHINGTON**, AND 1997'S "L.A. CONFIDENTIAL" MADE HIM A STAR.

THE 1999 MOVIE "THE INSIDER" EARNED HIM THE FIRST OF THREE CONSECUTIVE BEST ACTOR ACADEMY AWARD NOMINATIONS, WITH THE BOX-OFFICE SENSATION "GLADIATOR" SECURING HIS OSCAR AND "A BEAUTIFUL MIND" EARNING HIM HIS FIRST GOLDEN GLOBE AWARD.

HIS FIERY TEMPER AND TENDENCY TO SPEAK HIS MIND EARNED HIM A "HELLRAISER" REPUTATION, BUT MARRIAGE AND FATHERHOOD SEEMED TO MELLOW HIM. HIS 15-YEAR MARRIAGE TO ACTRESS **DANIELLE SPENCER**, WHICH ENDED IN 2018, PRODUCED TWO SONS.

THE LIKES OF "CINDERELLA MAN," "3:10 TO YUMA" AND "ROBIN HOOD" SHOWCASED HIS VERSATILITY, AS DID SUCH PROJECTS AS THE MARTIAL ARTS MOVIE "THE MAN WITH THE IRON FISTS," THE FILM ADAPTATION OF "LES MISÉRABLES," AND ROLES INCLUDING **SUPERMAN'S** FATHER, THE BIBLICAL FIGURE **NOAH**, GREEK GOD **ZEUS** IN "THOR: LOVE AND THUNDER," AND **DR. HENRY JEKYLL/MR. EDWARD "EDDIE" HYDE** IN 2017'S "THE MUMMY."



AWAY FROM THE SCREEN, **CROWE** IS THE CO-OWNER OF THE **SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS**, AN AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM.

HE HAS CONTINUED TO MAKE MUSIC THROUGHOUT HIS ACTING CAREER, RECORDING AND TOURING WITH HIS BANDS **30 ODD FOOT OF GRUNTS**, **THE ORDINARY FEAR OF GOD** AND **INDOOR GARDEN PARTY**.



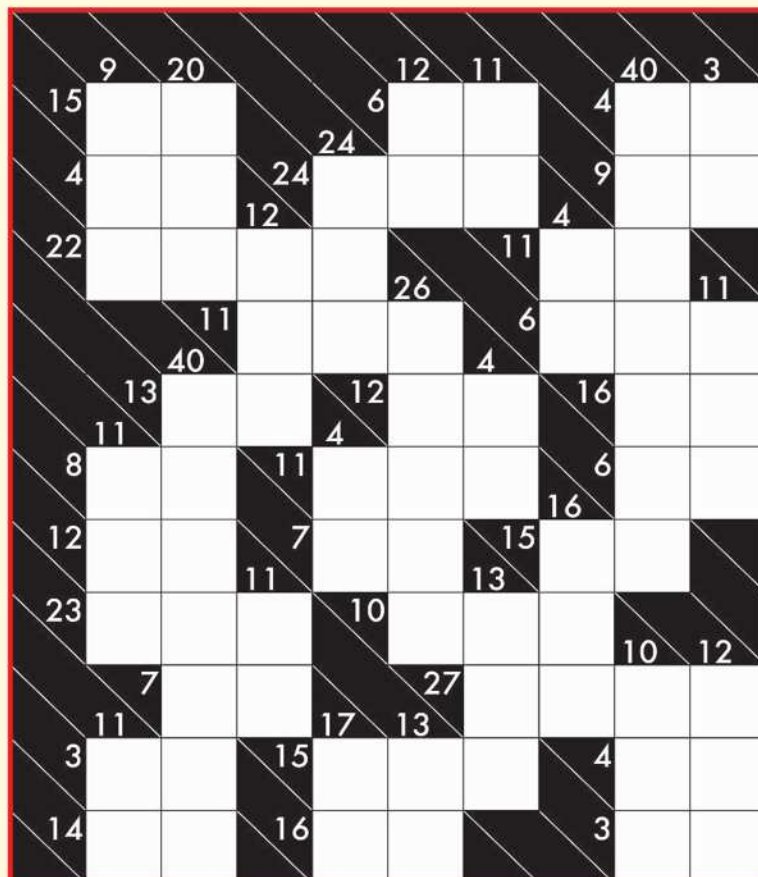
CROWE MADE HIS DIRECTORIAL DEBUT WITH 2014'S "THE WATER DIVINER" AND WROTE, DIRECTED AND STARRED IN 2022'S "POKER FACE." HE WON A GOLDEN GLOBE FOR HIS PORTRAYAL OF DISGRACED **FOX NEWS** CEO **ROGER AILES** IN THE MINISERIES "THE LOUDEST VOICE."

CURRENTLY TO BE SEEN IN THE HORROR MOVIE "THE EXORCISM," HIS UPCOMING PROJECTS INCLUDE PLAYING NAZI WAR CRIMINAL **HERMANN GÖRING** IN "NUREMBERG."

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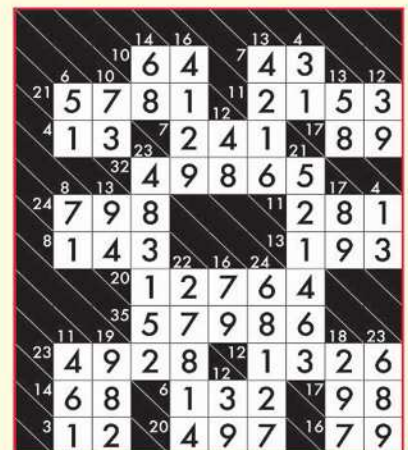


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Work space

Previous Solution



HOW TO PLAY: Fill in the squares using any number from 1 to 9, without repeating any numbers in a run line (row or column blocked off by black boxes). The numbers in each horizontal run line must add up to the sum shown in the black box to its left (above the diagonal). The numbers in each vertical run line must add up to the sum shown in the black box at its top (below the diagonal).