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# 1 teen dead, 1 critical in Bx. subway surf incidents

One teen was killed and another critically injured in separate subway surfing incidents in the Bronx early Friday, police said.

The most recent incident happened at 8:55 a.m. at the Middletown Road station in Pelham Bay.

Police said the victim, a

13-year-old boy, died at the scene, after falling from a northbound No. 6 train.

Earlier, at 1:40 a.m., another teen, 15, was badly hurt while surfing on another northbound No. 6 train six stops below, at the Morris Ave.-Soundview station in Soundview, police said.

Medics rushed the victim to Jacobi Hospital in critical condition.

Through last Friday, there have been 104 surfing incidents this year, with two killed, five hurt and 99 arrested, police said.

The MTA last September enlisted students in a public safety

awareness campaign to discourage kids and teens from riding atop and on the sides of subway cars.

Two months later, the NYPD started using drones to spot surfers and call ahead to motormen so they could stop the train.

Rocco Parascandola

People attend the Brooklyn Pride Parade on June 8. The victim of an investment banker's alleged attack after the celebration has lodged a complaint with the NYPD. AFP/GETTY



# Woman slugged at Pride Parade files complaint

BY ELLEN MOYNIHAN  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

After saying she would not file a police report, the victim of an investment banker's attack after Brooklyn's Pride celebration June 8 has come forward to lodge a complaint with the NYPD over the vicious punch.

The woman, who identified herself as Micah P. when she spoke to NBC 4 New York on Tuesday told the TV station she would not make an official report to cops because she doesn't have faith in the NYPD. Instead, she said she would be consulting with her lawyer on other approaches.

"I want this man to be held accountable for the harm he's done on his community and the members of my friend group. So I want him to be a better person after this," she told the station.

"I want him to take anger management. I want him to get therapy. I want him to not be in a position of power until he is able to be a better member of community."

In the viral video of the attack, a man later identified as Jonathan Kaye strikes Micah in the face so hard she reels backward and falls down on the street.

Another person can be seen in the background of the video lying on the ground as two people offer assistance.

"She f---ing threw s---t all over me," Kaye, who appeared to have liquid on his jacket, said to bystanders who admonished him.

Police say the complaint for assault was made on Wednesday by a 38-year-old woman who told police Kaye approached her and yelled at her, and she spilled water on him from a bottle she was holding.

"The individual then punched the victim

in the face causing a broken nose, lacerations, and a black eye. The victim states that she lost consciousness after being punched and falling to the ground," said a DCPI spokesperson.

Kaye is listed on the website of Moelis & Co., a Manhattan investment bank, as a managing director who leads the global business services franchise. The bio says Kaye graduated from Duke University School of Law.

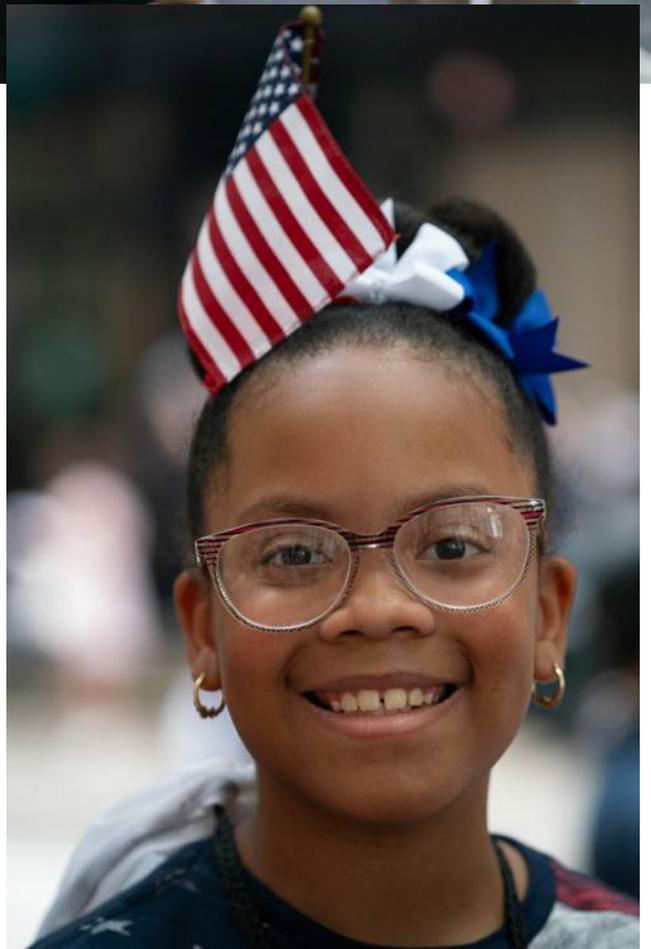
"We have become aware that one of our employees was involved in a serious incident in Brooklyn on June 8," a Moelis spokesman told the Daily News Tuesday. "We take this matter very seriously and are conducting an investigation."

When a reporter from The News attempted to reach Kaye by phone Monday, a woman said he wasn't there and hung up.

There have been no arrests.



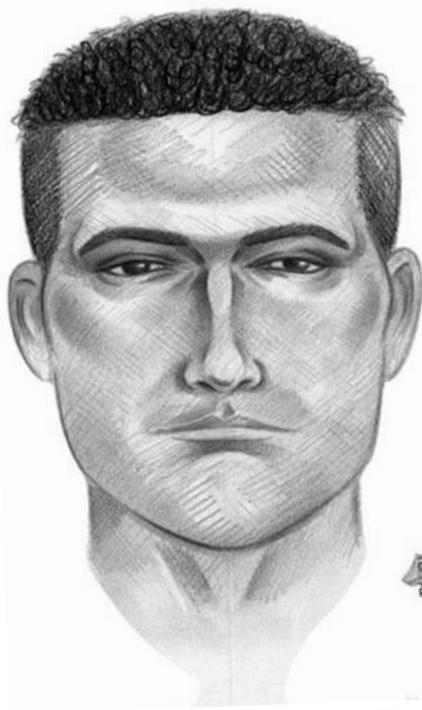
# Stars & Stripes are the stars of this parade



Norman Goben, a member of the Brooklyn Sons of the American Revolution chapter (main photo) carries an early American flag during parade Friday marking Flag Day. Young Wynter Mason (right) wears a big smile as she watches the parade through Manhattan. Flag Day honors the adoption of the United States flag on June 14, 1777, by the Second Continental Congress. BARRY WILLIAMS FOR NYDN

# GIRL, 13, TIED UP, SEXUALLY ABUSED

Man wielding machete binds her & pal together in Qns. park



BY EMMA SEIWELL  
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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A terrifying tattooed mugger armed with a machete robbed and sexually abused a 13-year-old girl inside a Queens park while she was tied up to her friend, NYPD officials said Friday.

"This incident is a parent's nightmare," Chief of Department Jeffrey Maddrey said outside Kissena Park, where the sex assault took place Thursday afternoon. "All the community should be very upset about this and be willing to come out and help the police department as we try to resolve this issue."

The girl was playing soccer in the park with a 13-year-old classmate near the corner of Colden

St. and Kalmia Ave. in Flushing about 3:30 p.m. when the suspect — who had braces on his teeth and a distinctive chest tattoo — approached and ordered them to follow him into the woods, NYPD Chief of Detectives Joseph Kenny said, recounting the attack.

When the children said no, the suspect flashed a "large machete-style knife" and forced them into a patch of trees.

The man tied the two children's wrists together with a shoelace and sexually assaulted the girl while the helpless boy watched, Kenny said.

The thief robbed the two children of their cellphones and "told both victims to wait at the location for 20 minutes while he fled the location on foot," the chief of detectives said.

After a short time, the children returned to their school, where they reported the attack. EMS took them to an area hospital for treatment.

Parkgoers were stunned that no one saw the attack or intervened, especially since the suspect pulled out a large knife.

"Nobody could do nothing to rescue that baby?" said Ray, a Long Island resident who worships at a synagogue close to the park. "There's so many people out there. And nobody could do nothing yesterday?"

Area residents were left second guessing their future plans for the park as cops track the predator down.

"[On] that side of the park, people get robbed at night sometimes, so you don't want to walk around there at night," said Omar, 20, who

lives nearby. "But this was in the middle of the day. We're all very concerned."

Ali, 42, who has lived in the neighborhood for 10 years, said his 12-year-old daughter is in sixth grade at nearby Rachel Carson I.S. 237Q and walks through the park most days to get home. She walked through the park to get home yesterday with two classmates and was home by 3 p.m. But on Friday, Ali picked her up from school because of what happened.

"It never happened before because this area, we believe it's very safe," Ali said. "As a parent, for me, it's a shock. It is unbelievable. My own daughter is 12 years old, and she's in sixth grade. And 13 years is the same age. It's something that can happen to anybody."

His daughter said she no longer feels safe walking in the area. "I'm

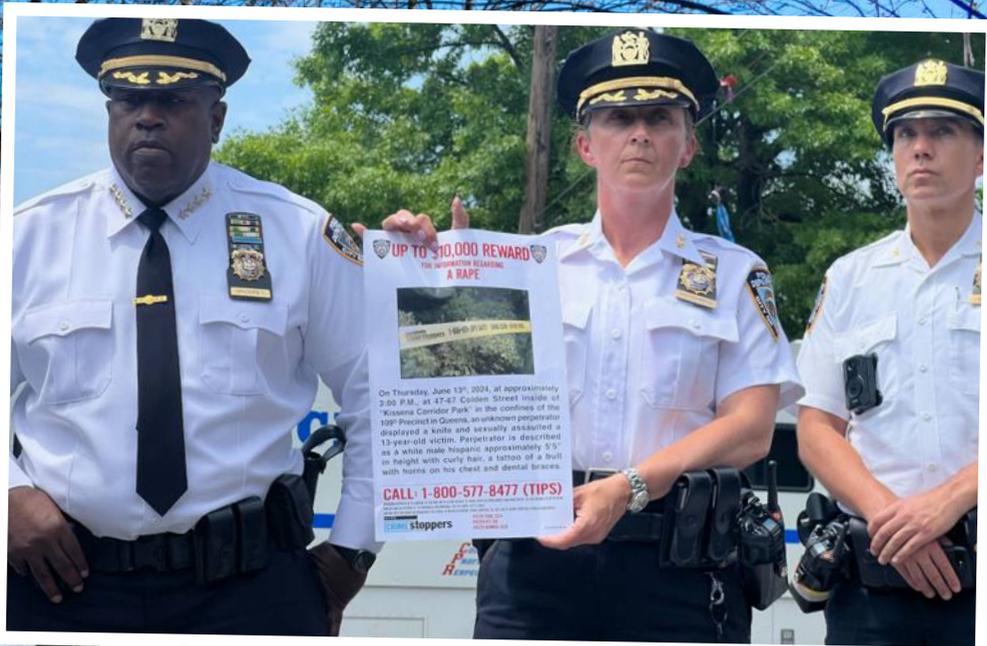
probably going to avoid it," said the girl. "I'm kind of scared."

A \$10,000 reward has been offered for any information about the man responsible for the vicious crime.

"The entire police department is focused on getting justice for this young survivor," Kenny said. "A tremendous amount of investigative resources were mobilized yesterday to this location for the sole purpose of identifying this perpetrator."

Scores of cops converged on the park Thursday afternoon, where they found the shoelace that was used to tie the children together. Cops also found a discarded water bottle the attacker drank from. Both items were being processed for forensic evidence, Kenny said.

The assailant is described



**Queens park was scene of "nightmare" for girl. Police (above) released sketch of man being hunted in attack in which they say he threatened the children with a machete.**

as a Hispanic man in his 20s. He's about 5-foot-5 with curly hair and was wearing a black T-shirt, black sweatpants, red sneakers and carrying a green backpack during the assault. Besides the braces, the thief has a tattoo of a boar or a bull with horns and red eyes on his chest, cops said.

He spoke English with a heavy Spanish accent, Kenny said. Cops were trying to determine Friday if the attack was linked to some kind of robbery pattern in the area.

NYPD Chief of Patrol John Chell said that principals and school superintendents of schools near the park were notified as to what happened Friday morning.

Area schoolchildren flock to the park to play, especially

after dismissal, Chell said, adding that a massive amount of resources have been deployed to the park in case the predator returns.

"[It's] all hands on [deck], obviously," Chell said.

"We will work with school safety and community affairs, whether it be street enforcement, to elicit information, to leafletting, whatever we need to do to take this animal off the streets."

The only cameras in the 237-acre park are at the entrance points, police said.

Cops were scouring the surveillance footage, as well as videos from surveillance cameras at stores and residential homes nearby to learn where the suspect headed after the attack.

"We are going to go miles

and miles to find video," Kenny said.

NYPD Deputy Commissioner of Operations Kaz Daughtry said that the department will be flying drones over the park and placing cameras — ones that people can see and others that will be hidden — in the greenspace so parkgoers can feel safer.

"[It's a] satanic incident that happened in the park," Daughtry said.

"I want residents and New Yorkers to know that Chief Kenny and his detectives will scour the globe to bring some closure to this family."

Anyone with information regarding the man's whereabouts is urged to call NYPD Crime Stoppers at (800) 577-TIPS.

All calls will be kept confidential.



**Stabbing victim Nelquan Lilly (pictured) would "help you if you needed help," says pal. Police are looking for the man who killed him in Morrisania on Friday.**

# Beloved man in Bx. nabe is stabbed to death after argument

**BY ANUSHA BAYYA, THOMAS TRACY AND LEONARD GREENE**  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A 29-year-old man was stabbed to death outside the Bronx public housing complex where he lived after an argument with his attacker, police said Friday.

Nelquan Lilly was stabbed multiple times in his stomach Thursday night after the quarrel outside the Morris Houses along Washington Ave. in Morrisania.

Medics rushed the victim to St. Barnabas Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

There have been no arrests.

Residents of the complex and friends and neighbors who knew Lilly said they were shocked over his death.

"They said he got in a fight," said a neighbor who had known Lilly for years. "I just saw him the other day. How could they do this? He must have been so angry."

She said Lilly had recently given a graduation present to her son, who was on his way to his prom.

"My son came out in his tuxedo, and he just gave him money," the woman said. "He just graduated. He said, 'Keep up the good work' and gave him some money."

As she spoke, neighbors and friends displayed a placard of

cardboard and filled it with commemorative and condolence messages.

They exchanged hugs in front of Lilly's photo.

"He had good energy," the woman said. "He knew everyone. He'd help you if you needed help too."

Along the ground, a cluster of memorial candles was assembled. Earlier, maintenance workers hosed down the brick and pavement of the walkway leading up to the building, washing away the traces of Lilly's blood.

Friends also reminisced about Lilly's dancing and athletic prowess.

"He used to dance when he was younger. Just dance. He was the man," said one childhood friend, who did not want to be named, adding, "We played basketball."

"I went to school with him since kindergarten so I knew him all my life," he said.

Another friend said Lilly stayed busy with various jobs including in construction and as a medical assistant.

"He's always had a job," the friend said. "He's always doing something different. That resume speaks for itself."

Cops asked for anyone with information on the incident to call Crime Stoppers at (800) 577-TIPS.

# Supreme Court strikes down ban on rapid-fire 'bump stocks'

BY DAVE GOLDINER  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

The Supreme Court on Friday struck down a federal ban on rapid-fire gun "bump stocks" that allow killers like the Las Vegas country music festival mass shooter to fire hundreds of shots a minute.

The conservative-led court split 6-3 along ideological lines to rule that the devices favored by mass killers do not transform weapons into banned machine guns even though they permit much more rapid fire shooting.

"A bump stock does not alter the basic mechanics of bump firing, and the trigger still must be released and reengaged to fire each additional shot," Justice Clarence Thomas wrote for the majority.

In a scathing dissent, Justice Sonia Sotomayor pointed to the 2017 Las Vegas gunman who killed 58 people in the deadliest mass

shooting in U.S. history.

"In murdering so many people so quickly, he did not rely on a quick trigger finger," she wrote. "He relied on bump stocks."

The liberal jurist said common sense suggests bump stocks effectively turn legal weapons into machine guns by allowing far more shots to be fired quickly.

"When I see a bird that walks like a duck, swims like a duck, and quacks like a duck, I call that bird a duck," Sotomayor wrote disdainfully.

The ruling strikes down a regulation by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agency that was implemented under former President Trump following the Las Vegas slaughter, which took place at a country music festival.

The Biden administration strongly supported the ban on bump stocks and defended it in the high court.

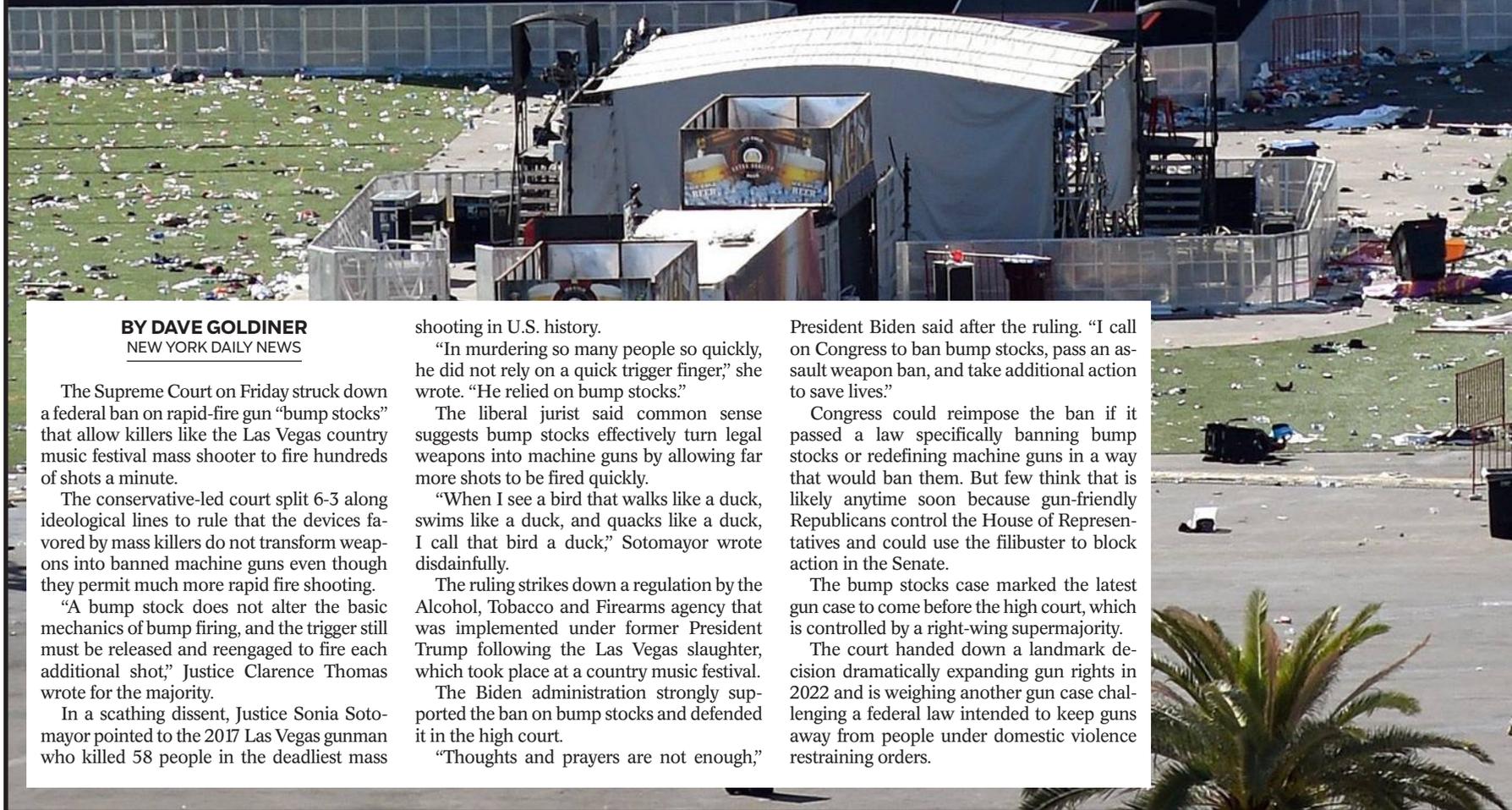
"Thoughts and prayers are not enough,"

President Biden said after the ruling. "I call on Congress to ban bump stocks, pass an assault weapon ban, and take additional action to save lives."

Congress could reimpose the ban if it passed a law specifically banning bump stocks or redefining machine guns in a way that would ban them. But few think that is likely anytime soon because gun-friendly Republicans control the House of Representatives and could use the filibuster to block action in the Senate.

The bump stocks case marked the latest gun case to come before the high court, which is controlled by a right-wing supermajority.

The court handed down a landmark decision dramatically expanding gun rights in 2022 and is weighing another gun case challenging a federal law intended to keep guns away from people under domestic violence restraining orders.



# Judge resolves Alex Jones' Sandy Hook case – almost

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON – A federal judge on Friday ordered the liquidation of conspiracy theorist Alex Jones' personal assets but dismissed his company's separate bankruptcy case, leaving the immediate future of his Infowars media platform uncertain as he owes \$1.5 billion for his false claims that the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting was a hoax.

Judge Christopher Lopez approved converting Jones' proposed personal bankruptcy reorganization to a liquidation. But Lopez threw out the case of Jones' company, Austin, Texas-based Free Speech Systems, after failed attempts by Jones to reach an agreement with Sandy Hook families on his proposals to reorganize and keep operating the company while paying them millions of dollars.

It wasn't immediately clear what will happen in the coming weeks to Free Speech Systems, Infowars' parent company, which Jones built into a multimillion-dollar moneymaker over the past 25 years by selling dietary supplements and other products. But both Jones and lawyers for the Sandy Hook families said they expect Infowars to cease operating at some point because of the huge debt.

A trustee appointed Friday in Jones' personal bankruptcy case to oversee the liquidation now has control over his assets, including Infowars, according to lawyers for Sandy Hook families.

Dismissal of Free Speech Systems' case means the families can now move immediately to collect on the \$1.5 billion in state courts in Texas and Connecticut where they won defamation lawsuits against Jones and the company. It's possible Infowars will continue operating during the collection efforts, which could include selling off the

company's assets.

Jones, who smiled as the judge dismissed the company's case, called in to Infowars after the court hearing and predicted more battles in the state courts. "The bizarre political attempts to hijack the operation have failed," he said, and added that he would find another way to broadcast his shows if he loses Infowars.

Outside the courthouse, he railed about the families not accepting his reorganization proposals and alleged that they were being used by political groups in a conspiracy to silence him. He said he would try to maximize revenues at Infowars to make money for creditors and then wind down the business in a way that takes care of its 44 employees.

"This is about taking me off the air," Jones said. "Understand that what you've seen in the corporate media about me, or what I said about Sandy Hook or any of this, has no bearing on reality."

Chris Mattei, a lawyer for the Sandy Hook families, called Infowars "soon-to-be defunct" as his clients move to collect on the debt in state courts. He said the families will also pursue Jones' future earnings.

"Today is a good day," Mattei said in a text message after the hearing. "Alex Jones has lost ownership of Infowars, the corrupt business he has used for years to attack the Connecticut families and so many others. ... Alex Jones is neither a martyr nor a victim. He is the perpetrator of the worst defamation in American history."

Lopez had been asked to convert Free Speech Systems' bankruptcy reorganization to a liquidation or dismiss the case. He said his focus was what would be best for the company and its creditors. He said Free Speech's case appeared to be one of the longest running of its kind in the country, and it was approaching a deadline to resolve it.

## Demolition begins on Fla. high school 6 years after massacre

BY JESSICA SCHLADEBECK  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

The three-story classroom building where a former student shot and killed 17 people during a massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School is finally being razed.

The long-awaited demolition began in Parkland, Fla., on Friday, more than six years after the school shooting occurred.

A group of people, among them some of the victims' family members and loved ones, gathered in the nearby parking lot, snapping photos and recording video as an excavator sprang to life and ripped into the structure.

The building has remained mostly untouched since gunman Nikolas Cruz burst through the door on Feb. 14, 2018, with an AR-15-style semiautomatic rifle, and carried out the deadliest mass shooting at a high school in United States history.

He unleashed more than 140 rounds inside the school where he was once a student, killing 14 students and three teachers. Another 17 people were wounded in the attack.

In November 2022, Cruz was ordered to spend life in prison after jurors declined to

sentence him to death.

During his trial, the panel retraced Cruz's rampage through the school, bearing witness to the bullet-riddled walls and blood-splattered floors as they stepped over cards and stuffed animals that had been doled out in celebration of Valentine's Day.

Tony Montalto, whose daughter Gina died that day, said in a statement that the demolition is "a necessary part of moving forward." He has advocated for school safety programs and a memorial site.

"While we can never erase the pain and the memories, we can create a space that honors their legacy and fosters hope for a safer future," he said. "That's why we fight every day to pass meaningful legislation that keeps our family members safe in their school."

The Broward County school board has not decided what will replace the building. Officials said they expect the weeklong demolition efforts to wrap up before the school's 3,300 students – most of whom were in elementary school at the time of the massacre – return in August from summer vacation.

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Above, a bump stock gun enhancer that was used to slaughter at least 58 people and injure more than 500 at the Harvest country music festival (main photo) in October 2017 in Las Vegas. GETTY

A student grapples with remote learning from home. SHUTTERSTOCK



# Remote again? No: parents

## Blast city plan to enable class-size hikes via online learning

BY CAYLA BAMBERGER  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A group of parents and advocates is asking the New York State Education Department to intervene in the city's plans to expand online learning in order to comply with class size law.

Their appeal to the commissioner, announced Friday, seeks to reverse city policy announced last month that would allow schools to temporarily place kids in online classes before getting parental consent.

That policy runs afoul of state regulations that give families a greater say in virtual instruction, the group said.

"Many parents believe that the online learning adopted by schools during the pandemic did not fully meet their children's needs, academically, socially or emotionally," said Leonie Haimson, executive director of Class Size Matters, one of the petitioners.

"Yet the DOE seems to be in a heedless rush to expand this instructional method

as quickly as possible," she said.

Under the city's new policy, schools must get parental consent via an "opt-in" form for students to take virtual courses. It suggests administrators should make "every effort" to engage parents, but if they do not respond by the first day of school, students can stay in the online class as those efforts continue.

The guidelines sparked concern for some parents and advocates over whether some children may be forced into virtual learning, after education officials recommended earlier this spring that schools consider using remote instruction as a way to reduce the amount of space needed to lower class sizes.

Under a 2022 state law championed by Class Size Matters, class sizes must stay below 20 to 25 students, depending on their grade level. As the limits are phased in, 40% of local classrooms must comply with the new caps as of this September.

"The expansion of online learning is likely to undermine many of the benefits that smaller classes would otherwise be

able to provide," Haimson said.

While most schools should be able to meet the class size caps in their existing buildings, more than 500 schools are expected to need extra space to comply with the law, according to local data.

Public schools spokesman Nathaniel Styer said the plans follow the rules, and officials will continue to work with the state Education Department to implement new policy on remote learning.

"To be clear, participation is optional and requires parent consent. If a parent does not provide consent, then the student will not participate in that course — end of story," he said. "Students who have the option of taking virtual or blended courses will receive details from their schools about where and when courses will take place."

But Manhattan parent Tanesha Grant said her son, a junior at Eagle Academy, was placed in an online college class last fall without her knowledge before she saw his low grade on a transcript in November. "He struggled in that class and ended

up failing it," said Grant, who had to seek out the district superintendent to clear the grade from his transcript.

She added that she does not oppose remote learning but said parents have to be made aware, which can be tricky in a school system as sprawling as New York's.

"I know from my experience and that of many other parents that in too many schools, communication with parents is horrible," she said.

Education attorney Laura Barbieri, who represented a group of parents and teachers in a blockbuster lawsuit in 2022 to reverse local education budget cuts, has taken on the appeal pro bono, according to a press release.

The state Education Department declined to comment on the appeal, comparing its commissioner's role to that of a judge.

"While the department has not yet received this appeal, we cannot comment on a specific set of facts that may come before the commissioner as an appeal," spokesman J.P. O'Hare said.

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## The New School delays vote on divesting funds from Israel

BY CAYLA BAMBERGER  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A highly anticipated vote at The New School to divest from Israel — a concession for protesters to leave a pro-Palestinian encampment — was put on ice less than 48 hours before the matter was slated to be held Friday.

The progressive Greenwich Village college's advisory body on "investor responsibility" said it needed more time to finish a proposal for the Board of Trustees investment committee's consideration. The earliest the plan could come to a vote again is in September.

"We have learned that we need further time to analyze the cost and structural reality of divestment or other strategies to align our mission and values with our investments," read a memo to students and faculty on Wednesday.

As antiwar campus protests gripped the nation this spring, some college presidents cut deals with protesters to dismantle pro-Palestinian encampments, while others summoned law enforcement to clear the demonstrations and arrest thousands of protesters.

Pro-Palestinian protesters early Friday morning splattered the entrance of a campus building with red paint with the graffiti: "Blood on your hands," photos show.

In New York, Columbia University President Minouche Shafik announced the institution, where the first tent city that sparked a national movement was pitched, would not divest from Israel. Top administrators at New York University and CUNY have also suggested the matter is not under consideration.

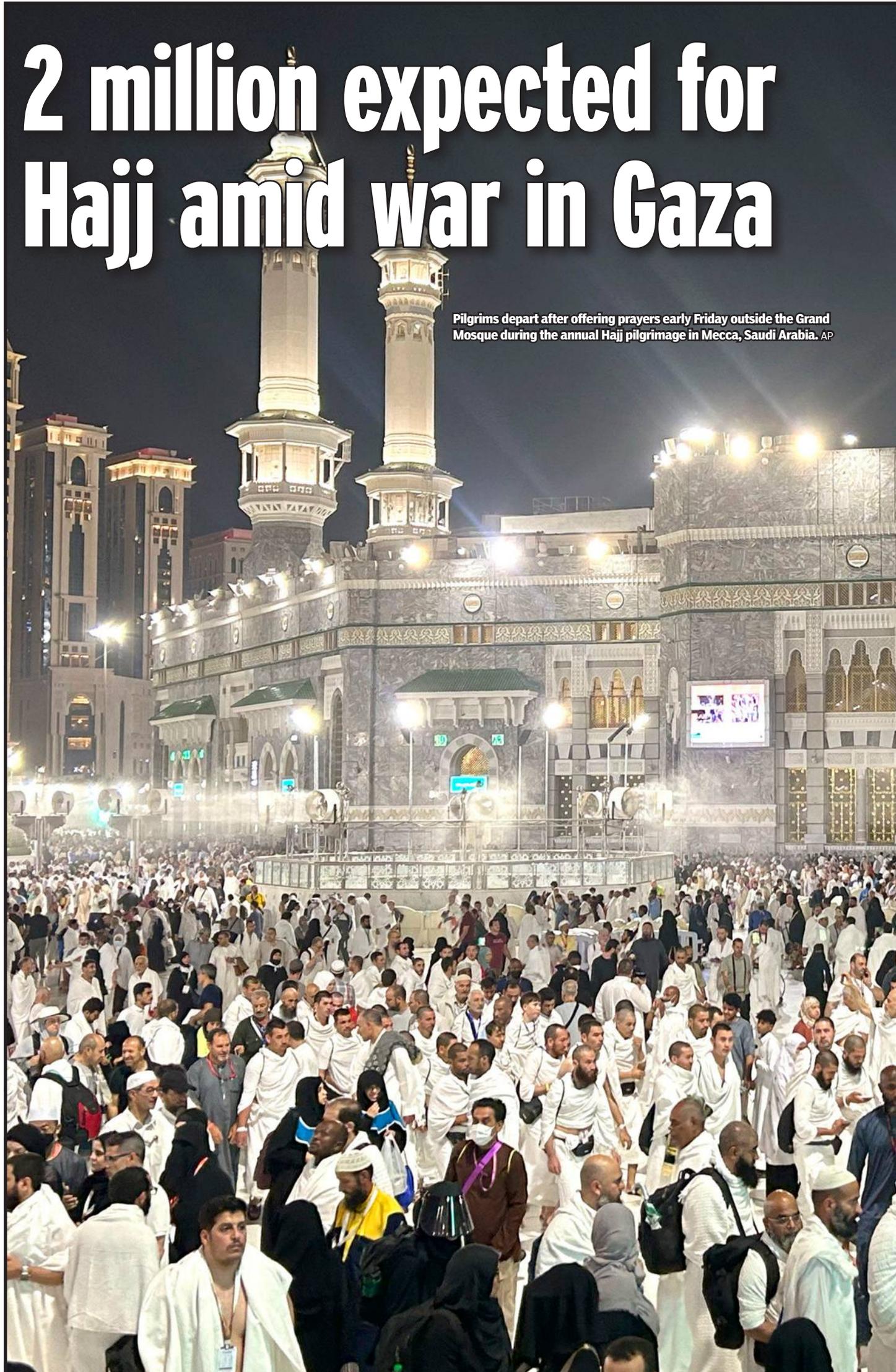
Pro-Palestinian student, faculty and alumni groups blasted the delay on social media Thursday night and called on protesters to take "escalated autonomous action." Among the organizations was The New School Faculty for Justice in Palestine, which launched what was believed to be the first staff-led encampment on a college campus last month.

"This is a breach and blatant disregard for the prior agreement reached between the community and The New School Investment Committee," the coalition said in a statement.

If the measure passes this fall, The New School would have to divest within one fiscal quarter and provide updates every few months.

# 2 million expected for Hajj amid war in Gaza

Pilgrims depart after offering prayers early Friday outside the Grand Mosque during the annual Hajj pilgrimage in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. AP



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MINA, Saudi Arabia – In sweltering temperatures, Muslim pilgrims in the Saudi city of Mecca converged on a vast desert tent camp Friday, officially starting the annual Hajj pilgrimage. Earlier, they circled the cube-shaped Kaaba in the Grand Mosque, Islam’s holiest site.

More than 1.5 million pilgrims from around the world have already amassed in and around Mecca for the Hajj, and the number was still growing as more pilgrims from inside Saudi Arabia joined.

Authorities expected the number to exceed 2 million this year.

This year’s Hajj comes against the backdrop of the raging Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip, which pushed the Middle East to the brink of a wider conflict.

Palestinians in Gaza were not able to travel to Mecca this year because of the closure of the Rafah crossing in May, when Israel expanded its ground offensive to the coastal strip’s southern city of Rafah, on the border with Egypt.

“We pray for the Muslims, for our country and people, for all the Muslim world, especially for the Palestinian people,” Mohammed Rafeeq, an Indian pilgrim, said as he headed to the tent camp in Mina.

Saudi authorities have apparently been concerned about potential protests against the war during the Hajj pilgrimage. They said they won’t tolerate politicizing the pilgrimage.

“The kingdom resolutely confirms that it

will not allow any attempt to turn the sacred sites [in Mecca] into an arena for mob chanting,” Col. Talal Al-Shalhoub, a spokesman for the Interior Ministry, said in a news conference Friday. “The security and safety of the guests of Rahman is a red line.”

Officials said 4,200 pilgrims from the occupied West Bank went to the Hajj. Saudi authorities said 1,000 more from the families of Palestinians killed or wounded in Gaza also arrived, at the invitation of Saudi King Salman.

The invitees were already outside Gaza – mostly in Egypt – before the closure of the Rafah border crossing.

“We are deprived of (performing) the Hajj because the crossing is closed, and because of the raging wars and destruction,” said Amna Abu Mutlaq, a 75-year-old Palestinian woman in Gaza’s southern city of Khan Younis who had planned to make the pilgrimage this year but was unable to.

This year’s Hajj also saw Syrian pilgrims traveling to Mecca on direct flights from Damascus for the first time in more than a decade. The change is part of an ongoing thaw in relations between Saudi Arabia and conflict-stricken Syria. Syrians in rebel-held areas used to cross the border into neighboring Turkey to travel from there to the Hajj.

The Hajj is one of the five pillars of Islam, and all Muslims are required to make it at least once in their lives if they are physically and financially able to do so. It is a moving spiritual experience for pilgrims who believe it absolves sins and brings them closer to God.



## Banks ousts 2 school board members in disputes over Hamas, transgender issues

BY CAYLA BAMBERGER  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Schools Chancellor David Banks ousted two school board members on Friday embroiled in bitter education disputes related to transgender rights and the Israel-Hamas war.

The members, Maud Maron of Manhattan’s Community Education Council 2 and Tajh Sutton of Brooklyn’s Community Education Council 14, are the first to be removed after the city created a complaint process in 2021. The Daily News reported in April that the disciplinary processes were underway.

“It is a sad day when New York City Public Schools is compelled to take the actions I have ordered today,” Banks said in a statement, “but the violations committed by these two individuals have made them unfit to serve in these roles.”

Community Education Councils are largely advisory bodies that can review education programs and hold public hearings. Members can be removed through a complaint process known as “D-210” after the Chancellor’s regulation code

that created it – but it was not operational until it was staffed this year.

Maron, whose district spans much of lower Manhattan to the Upper East Side, led a push this spring to overhaul the city’s inclusive gender policy in school sports after her private texts were leaked that said: “there is no such thing as trans kids.” In a New York Post article, she referred to a student journalist as a “coward” after a student newspaper ran an anonymous opinion article on Israel.

She and two other parents have filed a federal lawsuit alleging the D-210 process violates their free speech rights.

In Williamsburg, Sutton, who helped organize a pro-Palestinian student walkout last fall, was found in April to have disseminated inappropriate materials. The school board, which she led as president, skipped monthly in-person meetings in response to death threats and a box of feces after they called for a ceasefire in Gaza.

The Education Department’s community engagement office will launch a process to fill the vacancies and hold meetings again in District 14, the chancellor said.

## ‘Terrorist’ threatens B’klyn temple

BY THOMAS TRACY  
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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A self-proclaimed “terrorist” sent a Brooklyn synagogue an email threatening to blow it up if he wasn’t paid \$10,000, police said.

Elders at the Kane St. Synagogue near Tompkins Place in Cobble Hill received the email threat around 8 p.m. Thursday, police sources said.

“I want \$10,000 or I will blow up the bomb,” the email read. “You will blow up on the spot.”

The “terrorist” added “I am a terrorist and I have child pornography on my phone and on my

computer,” a police source said.

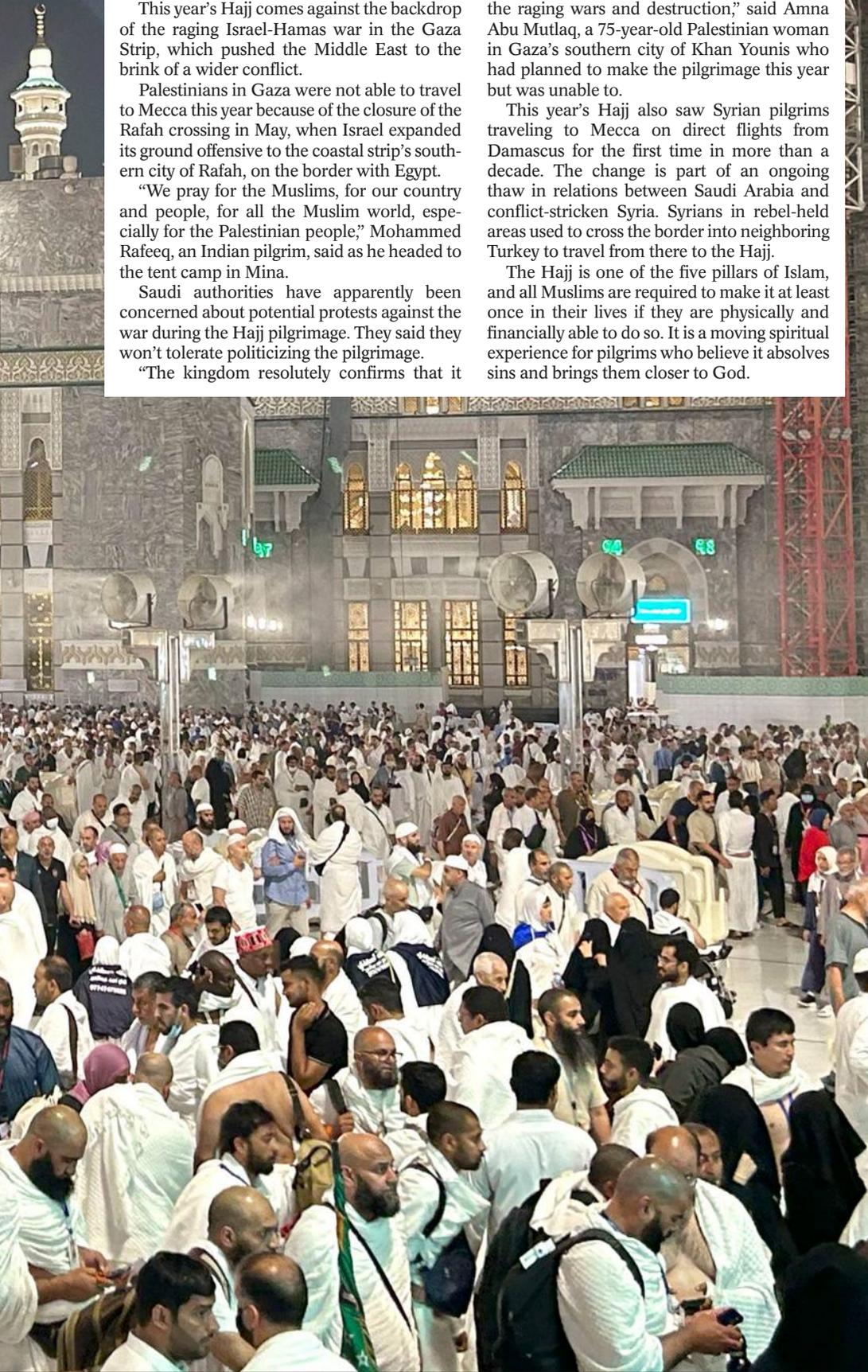
Police searched the synagogue, but found no explosives, sources said.

The threat against a Jewish house of worship followed a vandalism spree that left five homes belonging to Brooklyn Museum director Anne Pasternak and board members doused in red paint and threatening messages.

Local elected officials and Mayor Eric Adams decried the graffiti as antisemitic.

“This is not peaceful protest or free speech. This is a crime, and it’s overt, unacceptable antisemitism,” Adams posted on X.

Messages left for staff and clergy at the Kane St. Synagogue were not immediately returned.



Russian leader Vladimir Putin laid out conditions for a ceasefire, including a claim on lots of Ukraine territory and a demand that the country not join NATO. AFP/GETTY



# Latest 'ceasefire' bid

## Ukraine, West united in rejecting Putin's one-sided gambit

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russian President Vladimir Putin promised Friday to "immediately" order a ceasefire in Ukraine and start negotiations if Kyiv began withdrawing troops from the four regions annexed by Moscow in 2022 and renounced plans to join NATO. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy rejected what he called an ultimatum by Putin to surrender more territory.

Putin's remarks came as Switzerland prepared to host scores of world leaders — but not from Moscow — this weekend to try to map out first steps toward peace in Ukraine.

They also coincided with a meeting of the Group of Seven leading industrialized nations in Italy and after the U.S. and Ukraine this week signed a 10-year security agreement that Russian officials, including Putin, denounced as "null and void."

Putin blasted the Switzerland conference as "just another ploy to divert everyone's attention, reverse the cause and effect of the Ukrainian crisis (and) set the discussion on the wrong track."

His demands came in a speech at the Russian Foreign Ministry and was aimed at what he called a "final resolution" of the conflict rather than "freezing it," and stressed the Kremlin is "ready to start

negotiations without delay."

Broader demands for peace that Putin listed included Ukraine's recognition of Crimea as part of Russia, keeping the country's non-nuclear status, restricting its military force and protecting the interests of the Russian-speaking population. All of these should be part of "fundamental international agreements," and all Western sanctions against Russia should be lifted, Putin said.

"We're urging to turn this tragic page of history and to begin restoring, step-by-step, the unity between Russia and Ukraine and in Europe in general," he said.

Putin's remarks, made to a group of Foreign Ministry officials and some senior lawmakers, represented a rare occasion in which he laid out his conditions for ending the war in Ukraine, but it didn't include any new demands. The Kremlin has said before that Kyiv should recognize its territorial gains and drop its bid to join NATO.

Zelenskyy, in Italy for the G7 meeting, said Putin's proposal was not new and was in the form of an "ultimatum," comparing it to actions by Adolf Hitler in seizing territory that led to World War II.

"What Putin demands is to give them a part of our territories, those occupied and not occupied, talking about several regions of our country," he said.

Ukraine's Foreign Ministry called Putin's plan "manipulative," "absurd" and designed to "mislead the international community, undermine diplomatic efforts aimed at achieving a just peace, and split the unity of the world majority around the goals and principles of the UN Charter."

Besides seeking to join NATO, Ukraine wants Russian forces out of its territory, including the Crimean Peninsula that was illegally annexed in 2014; the restoration of Ukraine's territorial integrity, and that Russia be held accountable for war crimes and for Moscow to pay reparations to Kyiv.

Russia launched its full-scale invasion in February 2022. After Ukrainian forces thwarted a Russian drive to the capital, much of the fighting has focused in the south and east, where Moscow illegally annexed four regions, although it doesn't fully control any of them.

Zelenskyy adviser Mykhailo Podolyak said on social media there was nothing new from Putin and that the Russian leader "voiced only the 'standard aggressor's set,' which has been heard many times already."

"There is no novelty in this, no real peace proposals and no desire to end the war. But there is a desire not to pay for this war and to continue it in new formats. It's all a complete sham," Podolyak wrote on X.

U.S. Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin said at NATO headquarters in Brussels that Putin "has illegally occupied sovereign Ukrainian territory. He is not in any position to dictate to Ukraine what they must do to bring about a peace."

Austin added that Putin "started this war with no provocation. He could end it today if he chose to do that."

NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg added that "this is not a peace proposal. This is a proposal of more aggression, more occupation and it demonstrates in a way that that Russia's aim is to control Ukraine."

Putin insisted that Kyiv should withdraw from all four annexed regions entirely and essentially cede them to Moscow within their administrative borders. In Zaporizhzhia in the southeast, Russia still does not control the region's administrative capital with a pre-war population of about 700,000. In the neighboring Kherson region, Moscow withdrew from its biggest city and capital of the same name in November 2022.

Putin said if "Kyiv and Western capitals" reject his offer, "it is their business, their political and moral responsibility for continuing the bloodshed."

The Kremlin has repeatedly aired its readiness for peace talks with Kyiv and blamed the West for undermining its efforts to end the conflict.



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# CITY POLS CALL FOR BOOST IN STRAW-DONOR ENFORCEMENT

Council bills backed by chief of Campaign Finance Board come amid investigations of Adams campaign

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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Paul Ryan, the head of New York City's Campaign Finance Board, voiced support Friday for a number of City Council bills that would expand the watchdog entity's straw donor enforcement powers amid ongoing issues and investigations related to Mayor Adams' campaign.

Neither the mayor nor his campaign have been accused of wrongdoing. Still, Adams' 2021 campaign has come under multiple state and federal investigations into allegations that it received a plethora of "straw donations," which are made by individuals who either draw them up in another unknowing person's name or reimburses someone to submit the money for them.

That type of political financing is illegal because such donations end up exceeding caps on how much cash an individual can give and can also unlock public matching funds that campaigns are not entitled to.

Five Adams campaign supporters, including a friend and ex-NYPD colleague of the mayor, have to date been criminally convicted of enacting straw donor schemes to boost his 2021 run in hopes it would pave the way for business opportunities with his administration.

Brooklyn Councilman Lincoln Restler, a Democrat who frequently criticizes Adams, held a hearing Friday morning on a set of bills that would beef up the ways in which the Campaign Finance Board could root out straw donations. Repeatedly throughout the hearing, Restler referenced the ongoing probes into Adams' fundraising

operation as a reason for expanding the CFB's authorities, saying "there were major differences in the way money came into his campaign" compared to the ones of his 2021 mayoral race competitors.

In response to Restler's lament, Ryan, the new executive director of the Campaign Finance Board, testified he could not offer any comment specifically on Adams, citing his agency's ongoing audit into his 2021 campaign. But Ryan told Restler he's supportive of many of the bills the hearing focused on.

One bill in particular doesn't go far enough, Ryan argued.

The measure in question would require campaigns for city public offices to report the mailing addresses of all their donors to the CFB so the board can mail them physical postcards spelling out the details

of their contributions.

Ryan said he would like that bill to also require that campaigns report the phone numbers and email addresses of their donors, so the CFB can easily contact them should concerns arise about the legality of their contributions.

"I think it would help uncover those straw donors," Ryan said, adding that voters are statistically "much more responsive to email and phone contact" compared to paper mail.

Restler said he liked Ryan's suggestion.

Aside from Restler's legislative push, Ryan said the CFB is looking into adopting "more significant technology" for automatically matching signatures on contribution slips, which campaign supporters fill out along with their donations, in order to ensure a person listed as giving money is the



**City Councilman Lincoln Restler (above) held hearing on bills that would increase enforcement of straw-donor schemes. New head of the city Campaign Finance Board supports the bills.**

same person who signed the card.

That revelation comes after news outlet The City reported that several donations made as part of Adams campaign fundraisers in Queens co-hosted by Winnie Greco — a mayoral adviser whose homes were raided by the FBI in February — came in along with cards featuring signatures that did not match the ones of the listed contributors.

Ryan also said he's tentatively supportive of a Restler bill that would require campaigns to respond within 30 days to any requests for information the board issues related to donations that it has concerns about.

He also agreed with a third piece of legislation that would expand the definition of and impose new restrictions on "intermediaries" who bundle together

donations for campaigns, sometimes on a salaried basis.

Rester's bills likely can't become law unless they receive Adams' support.

Spokespeople for the mayor's office did not return requests for comment after Friday's hearing.

Ryan did testify he was skeptical of the 30-day bill's proposal that CFB cease issuance of any public matching funds to campaigns that fail to respond within the prescribed timeline.

"Under this provision, a candidate could respond to a CFB request in the heat of an election only a few days late, with information confirming that all related contributions are lawful and were correctly reported, yet still be completely disqualified from the public matching funds program," he said.

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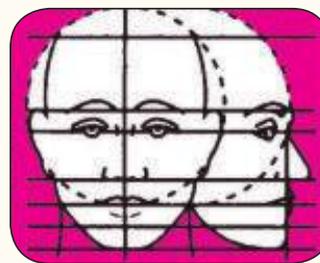
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Donald Trump meets with Republican senators in Washington on Thursday. Many of them wished him a happy 78th birthday as the convicted felon seeks to return to the White House. GETTY

# Trump b'day fan club

## Ex-prez turns 78 and GOPers gush forth with good wishes

BY DAVE GOLDINER  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Former President Donald Trump celebrated his 78th birthday Thursday, starting with a display of adulation from Republican lawmakers who feted him with a cake and hearty chorus of “Happy Birthday” as he returned to Capitol Hill for the first time since the Jan. 6 attack.

Back at his Florida home Friday, Trump was flooded with birthday messages, many on social media, from family, friends and political foes alike. He planned to attend a paid birthday evening rally near Mar-a-Lago with a large crowd of MAGA supporters.

“I love you today and everyday!” ex-first daughter Ivanka Trump tweeted at her dad.

President Biden, who is three years older than his rival, took a good-natured swipe at Trump, who often disparages Biden’s mental state due to his age.

“Happy 78th birthday, Donald. Take it from one old guy to another: Age is just a number,” Biden wrote on X. “This election,

however, is a choice.”

The former president was still basking in the glow of the rapturous reception he received Thursday from GOP lawmakers, most of whom were forced to flee in terror when a mob of his supporters stormed the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, in a failed effort to keep Trump in power.

Even GOP Senate Leader Mitch McConnell, who denounced Trump as “practically and morally responsible” for inciting the attack, unconditionally surrendered to Trump by greeting him warmly at a gathering of Senate Republicans.

The two men had not spoken since December 2020 when McConnell congratulated President Biden on beating Trump to win the 2020 election.

“We had a really positive meeting, he and I got a chance to talk a little bit, we shook hands a few times, he got a lot of standing ovations,” McConnell said. “I can’t think of anything to tell you about it that was negative.”

Senators later presented an American flag cake with 45 candles, a reference to Trump’s status as the 45th president. Sen. John Barrasso of Wyoming then stuck two more candles with the numerals 4 and 7 into the cake, signifying GOP hopes that Trump returns to the White House.

The remarkable show of loyalty to the GOP’s presumptive nominee shows just how successful Trump has been at tightening his grip on the party that once had serious misgivings about him.

His triumphant return to the scene of what prosecutors say was a crime on Jan. 6 did not go off without a few hiccups.

Trump told a closed-doors meeting of House lawmakers that “Milwaukee, where we are holding our convention, is a horrible city.”

That damaging comment could cost Trump votes in swing-state Wisconsin, prompting some lawmakers to spin it as a commentary on crime, which is actually down sharply in the Brew City and

nationwide, or vote fraud. Others just denied hearing the remark at all.

House Republicans serenaded Trump with a chorus of “Happy Birthday” and gave him a baseball and bat from their blowout victory over Democrats in the annual congressional baseball game.

Trump later met with a group of about 100 corporate CEO’s, including Apple’s Tim Cook, JP Morgan Chase’s Jamie Dimon and Doug McMillon of Walmart.

He promised a more business-friendly government than Biden’s and vowed to extend and expand his 2017 tax cuts, which Democrats decry as a budget-busting giveaway to the rich.

Despite the pandering, some of the moguls reportedly expressed misgivings about backing Trump.

“He was remarkably meandering, could not keep a straight thought and was all over the map,” business reporter Andrew Sorkin said on CNBC. “They walked out of the meeting less predisposed to him.”

# H'WOOD STARS FOR BIDEN

## De Niro, Spielberg among big names working for his re-elec

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON – When Robert De Niro showed up outside a Manhattan courthouse to decry former President Donald Trump as his New York hush money trial was winding down, it sparked a life-imitates-art screaming match with a nearby group of Trump supporters.

“You are gangsters!” De Niro, who starred in “Goodfellas” and won an Oscar for “The Godfather Part II,” shouted at the Trump backers, who responded with obscenities.

There are plenty more Hollywood storylines still to come in the 2024 campaign: Celebrities are increasingly lending their star power to President Biden, hoping to energize their fans to vote for him in November and entice donors to pony up for his reelection effort.

On Saturday, A-listers George Clooney and Julia Roberts will team up with former President Barack Obama at a Biden fundraiser in Los Angeles, where the three will be interviewed by late-night talk show host Jimmy Kimmel. Roberts and Kimmel have already begun soliciting donations via text for Biden, who is skipping a weekend peace conference on Ukraine being held in Switzerland to attend the event.

Director Steven Spielberg is involved in storytelling efforts for the Democratic National Convention in August. Lenny Kravitz, Barbra Streisand and James Taylor have all performed for Biden donors.

Others who've sent fundraising emails, organized events or otherwise lent their support include actor Connie Britton, singer-songwriter Carole King, “Bridgerton” creator Shonda Rhimes, singer Christina Aguilera, actor Queen Latifah and actor Mark Hamill, who turned up in the White House briefing room last month to praise the president.

And, in another instance blurring lines between real life and make-believe, during a fundraiser at the home of actor Michael Douglas, Biden congratulated the star of the 1996 hit “The American President” on his fictional administration’s success.

For all the celebrity supporters, though, there’s little expectation they can determine votes. Rather, they are seen as having the ability to inject excitement that helps energize supporters.

Lexi Underwood, whose credits include the streaming series “Little Fires Everywhere,” calls acting a “contact sport” that allows her to interact with the public and makes her determined to use her influence



responsibly. She has participated in a recent virtual “Students for Biden” event and traveled to Nevada to appear at campaign events focused on women’s health issues.

“I’m very fortunate to have certain eyes on me,” said Underwood, 20. “I feel really responsible to make sure that what I put out there, either people are being informed on things that they weren’t previously informed on, or that I’m motivating them to get out there and vote.”

Biden’s campaign says its chief focus is finding authentic and trusted messengers who can promote the president’s policy achievements and raise the alarm about GOP “extremism,” and that means deploying everyday supporters as well as famous

ones.

It has produced ads featuring a Pennsylvania union worker, a Black entrepreneur in Detroit and women adversely affected by strict abortion limits in Texas.

Fai Nelson, a human resources worker who attended a recent Vice President Kamala Harris event in Prince George’s County, Maryland, said celebrity voices can make a difference “if they can touch the audience.”

Adrienne Elrod, who served as Biden’s 2020 director of surrogate strategy and operations, said famous Biden supporters often “will come forward with their own ideas” on how to help the campaign and what issues they’d like to focus on.

De Niro has taken on an increasingly prominent role in Biden’s campaign. Before his confrontation with the Trump supporters, the actor held a news conference calling the former president a “clown.”

He’s also attended Biden fundraisers and narrated a campaign ad accusing Trump of having “snapped” after he lost the 2020 election.

Trump has his own list of celebrity endorsers, which includes musicians Kid Rock and Ted Nugent, media personality Caitlyn Jenner, comedian Roseanne Barr, and actors Dennis Quaid and Jon Voight.



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# Tony Bennett estate battle

## Adult children fight each other over crooner's music, money

BY JAMI GANZ  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Tony Bennett's adult children are currently in a feud, with his daughters suing their half-brother over the singer's estate nearly a year after his death.

Antonia and Johanna Bennett are seeking unspecified "equitable relief," as well as comprehensive accounting and inventory of their family trust, according to a lawsuit filed this week in New York.

The suit claims that D'Andrea "Danny" Bennett, who was their late father's manager, failed to disclose some of the assets from the recent sale of the singer's music catalog and image rights to branding company Iconoclast.

"It remains unclear what music assets (and other property) were or were not sold as part of the deal," according to the suit, the sisters saying they "have not been provided with various details of the transaction despite repeated requests."

The lawsuit also names the singer's widow, Susan Benedetto, and

his son Daegal "Dae" Bennett. Like Danny, Dae was born to Bennett and his first wife Patricia Beech, while Antonia and Johanna are from Bennett's marriage to second wife Sandra Grant.

Transactions made on behalf of the 19-time Grammy winner ensured Danny Bennett "obtained personal benefits for himself and his company," the filing claims, in reference to RPM Productions. Currently the president, Danny founded the management and strategic marketing firm in 1979.

Antonia and Johanna allege the "piecemeal information" they have thus far received from their brother's camp "raises more questions than answers and fails to provide anything close to an accounting of Tony's assets and financial affairs."

The lawsuit comes nearly a year after the Queens native, who was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in 2016, died at his Midtown home last July. He was 96.

RPM Productions could not immediately be reached for comment.

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Tony Bennett, with (left to right) his widow Susan Benedetto, and daughters Antonia Bennett and Johanna Bennett at Tony's 85th birthday gala at the Metropolitan Opera House in 2011. GETTY

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American comics including Stephen Colbert, Chris Rock and Jimmy Fallon (front center) were among the 100 comedians from around the world invited to the Vatican by Pope Francis (front, rear view) to show his appreciation of the laughter arts. GETTY



## So a comedian walks into the Vatican . . .

BY KARU F. DANIELS  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Whoopi Goldberg, Jimmy Fallon and Stephen Colbert were among the many comedians from around the world who visited the Vatican on Friday morning at the behest of Pope Francis.

More than 100 humorists hailing from 15 countries were invited to meet the pontiff for a meeting organized to “establish a link” between the entertainers and the

Roman Catholic Church.

“In the midst of so much gloomy news, you denounce abuses of power, you give voice to forgotten situations, you highlight abuses, you point out inappropriate behavior,” Francis told the group.

The jokesters were also lauded for spreading “peace and smiles” and making viewers “think critically” through their work.

“When you manage to bring intelligent smiles to the lips of even a single spectator,

you also make God smile,” the pope said.

He then praised the comedians for their ability to unite people through laughter.

“While communication today often generates conflict, you know how to bring together diverse and sometimes contrary realities,” Francis said during his address.

The pontiff added that there is nothing wrong with poking fun at God in the same way “we play and joke with the people we love.”

Late-night host Conan O’Brien, “Veep”

and “Seinfeld” star Julia Louis-Dreyfus and stand-up comedians Chris Rock, Jim Gaffigan and Tig Notaro were also among the invited guests from the United States.

Nevertheless, more than two-thirds of the comedians in attendance were from Italy.

Goldberg is no stranger to having a papal audience. Last year, the Manhattan native visited the Vatican and offered Pope Francis a cameo in the forthcoming sequel to “Sister Act.”

## Kate back to royal duty, but ‘not out of the woods’ from cancer

BY JAGER WEATHERBY  
AND JAMI GANZ  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Kate Middleton, currently undergoing chemotherapy for cancer she was diagnosed with earlier this year, will resume her royal duties this weekend.

The Princess of Wales, 42 (photo), who first went public with her diagnosis in March, will make her long-awaited return at Saturday’s Trooping the Colour, which commemorates King Charles’ birthday.

The appearance will mark Middleton’s first royal engagement since Christmas. She will reportedly attend the parade in a carriage with her children, and later be on the Buckingham Palace balcony with her husband, Prince

William, along with the king and queen.

The welcome news comes as Middleton’s cancer treatment has reportedly gone well over the past three months, though she said she’s not in the clear just yet.

In a personal message shared on social media Friday afternoon, the princess said she’s “making good progress, but as anyone going through chemotherapy will know, there are good days and bad days.

“My treatment is ongoing and will be for a few more months,” she continued. “I’m looking forward to attending The King’s Birthday Parade this weekend with my family and hope to join a few public engagements over the summer, but equally knowing I am not out of the woods yet.”

The BBC previously reported



that Middleton’s presence at the official parade was uncertain, but confirmed she would not attend last weekend’s rehearsal, known as the Colonel’s Review.

In a touching letter penned to the Irish Guards, who are

leading Trooping the Colour and for whom she serves as their honorary colonel, the princess apologized for missing the rehearsal.

“I wanted to write and let you know how proud I am of the entire Regiment ahead of the

Colonel’s Review and Trooping the Colour,” Middleton wrote. “Being your Colonel remains a great honour, and I am very sorry that I’m unable [to] take the salute at this year’s Colonel’s Review.”

In her message on Friday, Middleton noted she’s been allowing herself to take “much needed time to heal,” and thanked everyone for their “continued understanding” as she limits her royal duties.

Kensington Palace announced in January that Middleton had undergone “successful” abdominal surgery and would likely be absent from the public eye until after Easter.

Two months later, she revealed her cancer diagnosis in a somber video, noting she would resume her royal duties once she was able but needed to “focus on making a full recovery.”

# DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL

## The truth about crime

**F**BI statistics out this week show that violent crime nationwide dropped by 15% in the first three months of the year compared to the same period last year. Murder went down 26%, aggravated assaults down 12.5%, robberies down 17.8%, reported rapes down 26% – and reported property crimes down 15%.

A more up-to-date analysis by crime data expert Jeff Asher shows shootings down in 26 of 30 cities with available data and murders down 18.1% as of the end of May in more than 260 cities.

But the facts don't matter to Donald Trump, who keeps saying: Crime rates are soaring in America. Surprise, surprise, the claim is utter and total garbage, invented to stoke fear of newcomers and get his supporters trembling to the polls. But it's not real and the facts don't lie.

Yes, shootings remain up compared to pre-pandemic totals – but remember, the massive spike in violent crime happened in 2020, when Trump was president. Murder went up by 30% in a single year, an unprecedented leap.

In truth, the nation has been recovering.

In the parallel universe inside the mind of Trump, an increase in asylum seekers, and a failure to support police, and an overall leftward drift against “law and order” is fueling unprecedented violence.

Trouble is, even where migrants are going, even where progressive prosecutors are in charge, crime is trending down. In New York City, murder totals are 15% below last year's so far in 2024, and shooting incidents are down 16% (felony and misdemeanor assaults, and robberies, are up). Yes, that includes Manhattan, where District Attorney Alvin

Bragg is not only paying attention to white-collar crimes by political candidates, but to violence committed by and against ordinary people.

Contrary to obscene caricature, Joe Biden has not been a friend to those increasingly on the fringes who seek to defund the police. While pushing for smarter and more accountable policing, he's supported cops with additional funding and new tools to manage caseloads, and he's signed into law the most significant gun safety reforms in a generation.

**I**n 1968, Richard Nixon won the White House by promising “law and order,” against a backdrop of civil unrest and rising crime and fears of what more racial equality would bring. Echoing his own dark 2017 inaugural language about “American carnage,” Trump has been desperate to repeat the trick, and so he makes breathless and unfounded claim after breathless and unfounded claim about a country getting sucked into a vortex of chaos. He's aided by viral videos that spread apocalyptic anger among supporters, never mind what is actually happening on the ground.

We don't put it past Trump to claim that the FBI and hundreds of police departments across America are lying – after all, he promotes the belief, against all evidence, there was a vast conspiracy to fabricate votes for Biden in 2020, and that the economy, which is outperforming every other advanced economy in the world, is actually in shambles – but reasonable people simply must see the truth. They must understand that there's no such thing as a migrant-fueled crime wave. They must understand that the United States is not slouching toward Gomorrah.

## Saving the pill

**T**his week, the nation dodged a bullet with the Supreme Court's 9-0 decision tossing a lawsuit that had sought to end the decades-old FDA approval of the drug mifepristone, which is used in medication abortions. The trouble for the plaintiffs was that they could not point to any specific harm that they or anyone else suffered from the approval of a drug that is safer than most over-the-counter drugs.

In truth, this case should have never gotten so far. A divided high court's unanimity here makes clear just how ridiculous this effort was, particularly since the court never gets above the fundamental issue of standing. Of course the plaintiffs here – doctors who maintained they'd suffer practical and personal hypothetical injuries from having to treat patients suffering from the exceedingly rare complications of mifepristone – had no right to challenge this federal regulation.

Any first-year law student could have answered that question right on the exam, yet this had to go up to the Supreme Court for the simple reason that the plaintiffs could rely on sympathetic lower court judges to move things along. The case was first heard by Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk, who just so happens to be the only federal judge at the courthouse in Amarillo, Texas; wouldn't you know it, he gets a suspiciously high volume of right-wing agenda items before him.

Kacsmaryk is a poster child for the practice of judge-shopping given his historically reliable role as triggerman for far-right causes. It's no surprise then that Republican senators railed against a recent policy change by the Judicial Conference – a sort of intra-judicial regulatory body – to limit the

practice.

The new policy would have lawsuits that seek an immediate ruling or injunction on state or federal regulatory or executive actions be assigned to a random judge in the district, instead of letting interested parties basically pick their judges.

All of the legal and procedural questions around this case, while worth dissecting, shouldn't obscure the base reality of what has happened here: a group of dark-money funded conservative doctors attempted to upend one of the most reliable tools for abortion access in this country.

**H**ad they been successful, the result would have been that abortion care would have been completely cut off in large swaths of the country, in which all other forms have collapsed under heavy state bans. The result would have been more girls and women would be forced to carry unwanted pregnancies to term, to suffer through potentially permanent or even life-threatening complications and in some cases to die.

While we're happy that the court reached the decision it did, we can't commend them too much given that they unleashed this in the first place through their ideologically-driven overturn of *Roe v. Wade*, including the votes of several justices who had said in their confirmation hearings that they viewed it as settled law.

The attacks will keep coming, against abortion drugs and procedures and even birth control and IVF, because the ideological opponents are committed to taking away any choice that the people might have in their reproductive health. It can't be left up just to the courts. Congress should act to protect these rights.

# DACA is helpful, but it is at risk

BE OUR GUEST

BY SARAH MARQUEZ

**F**or the past four years, I've been serving authentic Mexican dishes I grew up eating – from *huaraches de bistec* to *enchiladas rojas* – to my Staten Island neighbors. Every day, I work 14-hour shifts, training my staff, handling paperwork, and staying updated on regulations, all while navigating the challenges of being a female entrepreneur. As the first business owner in my family, I'm living the American dream. But every day, anxiety and fear haunt me, knowing all I've worked for could vanish in an instant with a single court decision.

Last September, a Texas federal judge declared the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program unconstitutional. This decision leaves nearly 100,000 people whose DACA applications won't be processed, jeopardizing their chances of living a stable life.

Now, it's impossible to truly plan for me and my family's future. With the ruling most likely to be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, DACA recipients like myself continue to live in uncertainty, unsure of the program's future. Our ability to build meaningful futures, pursue education, grow our businesses, and contribute to our communities hangs in the balance on the outcome of another court decision.

When DACA began 12 years ago today, it offered protections to undocumented immigrants brought here as children. It allowed hundreds of thousands to emerge out of the shadows, have a voice and identity, and contribute to our economy without the threat of deportation. DACA enabled a new generation to pursue their dreams, following in their parents' footsteps. DACA gave us hope.

I arrived from Mexico with my family when I was 7 years old. Together, we established our roots in our new home of New York City, a city that symbolizes hope, prosperity, and opportunity for my family. Then, in 2013, my life transformed when I received DACA which offered me a life free from fear.

Since being granted DACA, I have opened my restaurant, San Jeronimo Restaurant and Bakery, in Port Richmond, the neighborhood that raised me alongside my family. Together, we bring the taste of Mexico to Staten Island through our dishes, the same dishes that bring me comfort during times of uncertainty.

I am proud to be one of the more than 12,000 DACA recipients who have built their own businesses, earned a living by pursuing their passions, and contributed to their communities by supporting the local economy.

While DACA gave me the

opportunity to become a business owner, it has also presented significant challenges in my plans for the future of my restaurant. The ongoing legal battle surrounding DACA has only added to the instability, making it difficult to plan long-term decisions. My contracts with distributors and licenses require legal status, meaning that I could lose my business if DACA ends.

I carry the responsibility for my staff's future, as their livelihoods are also at risk. My employees, who have become family, dedicate their lives to supporting my business. Just as I do, they have their own families to care for.

Despite being American in every sense of the word and having made significant contributions to society, as DACA recipients, we realize the sense of belonging is only temporary. We exist under constant threat as the legality of our existence is debated in courtrooms. The fate of more than 835,000 DACA recipients rests in the hands of judges.

The past 11 years have been draining as I've grappled with the exhausting reality of how my immigration status could bring an end to my business, destroying the foundation I worked so hard to build in the United States.

While 66% of Americans believe that DACA recipients deserve a pathway to citizenship, we continue to fight for permanent status. Temporary relief is not the solution. Twelve years of living in limbo is far too long for individuals and families seeking clarity and security in their status. We can't afford another year without Congress taking action to provide real solutions. It's time for real change.

Congress must prioritize establishing a pathway to citizenship for the 11 million undocumented individuals across the country, ensuring their future and safety. As a DACA recipient and business owner, my restaurant and my employees' livelihoods rely heavily on my legal status. A pathway to citizenship is the only solution.

Millions of DACA recipients share this uncertainty. We deserve the opportunity to build stable lives, establishing a foundation of safety and hope that paves the way for future generations to flourish. It's time for elected officials to recognize the importance of the contributions of DACA recipients in the only country that has ever really been home.

*Marquez is a DACA recipient and owner of a Mexican restaurant and bakery on Staten Island.*

# VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

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## Just so ya know, 'you know' has a point, yunno?

**Tarrytown, N.Y.:** To Voicer Mary Caggiano: The best free artificial intelligence aid I've found, at Perplexity.com, gave the following answer to your question about the use and origin of the conversational phrase "you know":

"The phrase 'you know' is a common filler or discourse marker used in casual conversations. It serves several purposes: To seek agreement or acknowledgment from the listener that they understand what is being said. For example, 'It was a long day at work, you know?' implies the speaker expects the listener to relate to having long workdays; To fill pauses and give the speaker time to gather their thoughts before continuing. Using 'you know' can prevent awkward silences during natural speech disfluencies; To establish a sense of shared knowledge or experience with the listener. Saying 'you know' suggests the speaker assumes the listener has a similar frame of reference.

"The origins of using 'you know' in this way are not precisely known, but the phrase has been a part of informal English for centuries. Some linguists trace it back to the 16th century, when it emerged as a conversational filler similar to 'I mean' or 'like.' Its usage became more widespread in the 20th century, potentially influenced by the rise of radio and television, where conversational speech patterns were more commonly heard.

"So in summary, while seemingly redundant, 'you know' serves important pragmatic functions in facilitating conversational flow and creating a sense of rapport between speakers. Its ubiquity in modern speech, especially among younger generations, underscores its utility as a conversational device."

*Steve Ditlea*



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### Useless utterances

**Manhattan:** To Voicer Martin Goldman: The words you mentioned, along with "um" and "ah," are word whiskers. People aren't aware that they're repeatedly saying them. Next time someone you know well repeatedly uses one or more word whiskers in a conversation, ask if they realize it. I asked a friend and they were surprised.

*Vanessa Enger*

### Green-eyed monster

**Brooklyn:** To Voicer Rose S. Wilson: I feel that it's J. Lo who is immature and jealous of Ben Affleck. I believe he has been just as successful, if not more. I think she has been married more times than him, so she wins that category.

*Rocco Conte*

### Missed opportunity

**Brooklyn:** I woke up yesterday morning and saw the photo of the royal family of the Netherlands during their visit to the Brooklyn Heights Promenade and Navy Yard ("Brooklyn gets a touch of Dutch," June 14). It would have meant so much more for you to have included a photo of them visiting East Flatbush, which I'm sure was a surprise and a highlight for the predominantly Caribbean community. Why not focus on a happy story once in a while in a community that too often gets covered when there is a crime?!

*Sharon Myrie*

### Not up to the job

**Pearl River, N.Y.:** I was watching the D-Day memorial and I

couldn't help thinking that President Biden was being led into the seating area by Jill Biden like a little puppy. Guiding him while holding his hand and releasing it with a push in the direction of where he had to walk. He is so fragile and weak looking and can't speak without using flash cards or a teleprompter and then even confuses what he is reading. This senile old man will destroy our once powerful great country.

*Robert Brennan*

### Threadbare social fabric

**Warwick, R.I.:** With the recent convictions of two notable members of our leading political families, our path to decency and leadership has been eroded and disgraced. It appears there is no moral compass to live our lives within a framework of respect, decency and higher social standards. Our lives in faith have declined and will continue this trend, as many are rejecting the religious standards they had in their youth. We are now allowing simple misdemeanors to not warrant a legal response due to shortages of funds, personnel or lower standards. If this trend continues, many will be challenged to determine which regulations they should accept and which to ignore. It will become a cafeteria-style society of pick-and-choose, and then we will all need to be aware for our personal safety in all public venues. An uncertain path is our only future.

*Bob Sweeney*

### Dear Leader

**Auburndale:** Watching those sycophantic members of Congress trying to out-clap each other while fawning over Donald Trump looked like something out of North Korea.

*Cathi Venis*

### Check your ideology

**Midland Park, N.J.:** To Voicer Bill Barrett: The Atlantic is a lefty rag? I guess you don't read it. And you accuse someone else of being in a cult?

*Tony Merlino*

### Dry run

**Brooklyn:** Since everything is in place for congestion pricing, why not turn it on as a full-production test for a couple of months? It should be a simple computer program change to issue a credit at the end of the month for all congestion pricing EZ-Pass charges, and we can then see what the cost per driver would be if/when it goes into effect, and what the income would be.

*Paul Hachmeyer*

### Better idea

**Scarborough, N.Y.:** Congratulations to former City Councilman Ben Kallos for resurrecting his plan to toll all vehicles at all NYC entry points ("How to set up a fair congestion pricing program," op-ed, June 13). Four million vehicles a day at \$1 each equals \$1.46 billion a year, almost \$500 million more than the current congestion pricing debacle would have generated. Wisely, Kallos states that the corrupt and dysfunctional MTA should not see a penny from those tolls until it drastically reduces the cost of transit infrastructure construction.

*Thomas F. Comiskey*

### Cold comments

**Pelham, N.Y.:** In responding to Timothy Cardinal Dolan's recent op-ed, Voicer Dan Singer rants like a typical pro-abortion. He emits a lot of putrid steam that, of course, has no substance. He asks Dolan, "How many babies have you sold today?" With Dolan's warm pro-life messages, the appropriate question would be, "How many babies have you saved today?" He beseeches Dolan for putting forth "unscientific religious reasons?" An ultrasound sonogram scientifically shows that the fetus is a live human being, and it therefore can not be denied that terminating that baby in the womb is morally (and religiously) wrong and abhorrent. Singer can write as cynically as he wants, but in the end he shows that he is bereft of morality in his promotion of termination of babies in the womb.

*Wendy Packus*

### Further ripples

**Wyckoff, N.J.:** S.E. Cupp's column "The ripple effect of overturning Roe v. Wade" (June 14) didn't go nearly far enough in illustrating all the effects of overturning Roe. Women who want nothing more than a healthy pregnancy and safe delivery are at grave risk, too. Hard evidence is emerging from major medical associations and professional societies that OB/GYNs and medical students are fleeing states with restrictive reproductive health care laws. When a woman blissfully sees her positive pregnancy test and can't get a new patient appointment with

an OB/GYN, it isn't about abortion. When a woman faces a high-risk pregnancy and can't get an appointment with the appropriate specialist, it isn't about abortion. When a woman experiences a pregnancy complication and can't get emergency care because there are insufficient OB/GYNs to cover ERs or those who are available are too afraid of litigation to practice, it isn't about abortion.

*Marc Schaeffer*

### Brutal entertainment

**Tuckahoe, N.Y.:** A pitiful, frightened bull recently ran into the stands at a rodeo, trying to escape from his torturers, and accidentally injured people who shouldn't have been there anyway. In 2024, it's time people educated themselves about the blatant, shameful abuse of animals in rodeos, horseracing and the like. Information is easily accessible online with details and photos. Otherwise peaceful bulls break bones, are hit with electric prods and die at rodeos. New York's open data website lists every equine "breakdown" (injury) and death — more than 1,000 racehorse deaths in this state alone. And no, the racehorse industry does not have a retirement plan — well, not for horses anyway. These sentient, intelligent beings are not "animal friends" or "working companions," as animal purveyors state. Stop contributing to the lies of exploiters who profit off the suffering and death of silent victims while relying on spectators' blinders.

*Kiley Blackman*

# To court over Joe tapes

## House suing over DOJ exec-privilege withholding of audio

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Speaker Mike Johnson said Friday that the House will go to court to enforce the subpoena against Attorney General Merrick Garland for access to President Biden's special counsel audio interview, hours after the Justice Department refused to prosecute Republicans' contempt of Congress charge.

"It is sadly predictable that the Biden Administration's Justice Department will not prosecute Garland for defying congressional subpoenas even though the department aggressively prosecuted Steve Bannon and Peter Navarro for the same thing," Johnson said in a statement. "This is yet another example of the two-tiered system of justice brought to us by the Biden Administration."

In a letter to Johnson earlier Friday, a Justice Department official cited the agency's "long-standing position and uniform practice" to not prosecute officials who don't comply with subpoenas because of a president's claim of executive privilege.

The Democratic president last month asserted executive privilege to block the release of the audio, which the White House says Republicans want only for political purposes.

Republicans moved forward with the contempt effort anyway, voting Wednesday to punish Garland for refusing to provide



The House voted Wednesday to hold Merrick Garland (right) in contempt for refusing to turn over audio of President Joe Biden's interview in his classified files case. AP

the recording.

Assistant Attorney General Carlos Felipe Uriarte noted that the Justice Department under presidents of both political parties has declined to prosecute in similar circumstances when there has been a claim of executive privilege.

Accordingly, the department "will not bring the congressional contempt citation before a grand jury or take any other action to prosecute the Attorney General," Uriarte said in the letter to Johnson.

The letter did not specify who in the Justice Department made the decision.

Republicans were incensed when special counsel Robert Hur declined to prosecute Biden

over his handling of classified documents and quickly opened an investigation.

GOP lawmakers — led by Reps. Jim Jordan and James Comer — sent a subpoena for audio of Hur's interviews with Biden, but the Justice Department only turned over some of the records, leaving out audio of the interview with the president.

Republicans have accused the White House of suppressing the tape because they say the president is afraid to have voters hear it during an election year.

A spokesperson for Jordan criticized the Justice Department's move Friday, saying, "The rule of law for thee, but not for me."

A transcript of the Hur interview showed Biden struggling to

recall some dates and occasionally confusing some details — something longtime aides say he's done for years in both public and private — but otherwise showing deep recall in other areas.

Biden and his aides are particularly sensitive to questions about his age. At 81, he's the oldest-ever president, and he is currently seeking another four-year term.

The attorney general has said the Justice Department has gone to extraordinary lengths to provide information to the lawmakers about Hur's investigation.

However, Garland has said releasing the audio could jeopardize future sensitive investigations because witnesses might be less likely to cooperate if they know their interviews might

become public.

In a letter last month detailing the president's decision to assert executive privilege over the tapes, White House counsel Ed Siskel accused Republicans of seeking the recordings so they can "chop them up" and distort them to attack the president.

Executive privilege gives presidents the right to keep information from the courts, Congress and the public to protect the confidentiality of decision-making, though it can be challenged in court.

The Justice Department noted that it also declined to prosecute Attorney General Bill Barr, who was held in contempt in 2019.

The Democratically controlled House voted to issue a referral against Barr after he refused to turn over documents related to a special counsel investigation into former President Donald Trump.

The Justice Department similarly declined to prosecute former Trump White House chief of staff Mark Meadows after he was held in contempt of Congress for ceasing to cooperate with the Jan. 6 Committee investigating the attack on the U.S. Capitol.

Years before that, then-Attorney General Eric Holder was held in contempt related to the gun-running operation known as Operation Fast and Furious.

The Justice Department also took no action against Holder.

# Biden picks financial regulator Christy Romero as nominee to chair the FDIC

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

President Biden will nominate Christy Goldsmith Romero to replace Martin Gruenberg as head of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The announcement from the White House on Thursday came after Gruenberg's tenure became marred by allegations of workplace abuse that led to his resignation.

A longtime financial regulator, Goldsmith Romero (photo) is currently a commissioner at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the nation's financial derivatives regulator.

She previously worked with the Department of Treasury and was part of the team that handled the

Troubled Asset Relief Program, which lent \$700 billion to troubled banks during the 2008 financial crisis. She also is a law professor at Georgetown University.

Her previous nominations to the nation's financial regulators were unanimously confirmed by the Senate.

"She has proven herself to be a strong, independent, and fair regulator who is not afraid to do what's right," Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio), chair of the Senate Banking Committee, said in a statement.

Gruenberg last month said he would resign from the FDIC, after an independent report found incidents

of stalking, harassment, homophobia and other violations of employment regulations. The report was based on more than 500 complaints from employees.

Republicans have been calling for Gruenberg to step down since the allegations emerged late last year. The White House and Gruenberg resisted those calls partly because the FDIC is led by a five-member board, and his resignation would have passed control to the FDIC's vice chair, who is a Republican.

Gruenberg's resignation would not be official until Goldsmith Romero nomination is finalized.



## DEATH NOTICES

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

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#### Wipf, George Gustave

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A good man gone too soon.

So many Father's days since we lost you.

The circumstances of your death still remain clouded in mystery and deception.

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## For Saturday, June 15

We're moving along at a gentle pace today, with no need to rush or worry. The Moon is in Libra, speaking up about the rewards of aiming for a steady middle ground, rather than trying to rock the boat just for laughs or pressing buttons to cause a reaction. Our words carry extra weight while the Sun and Mercury continue to waltz through Gemini, so there's no need for us to keep our kind thoughts to ourselves. Communication can work wonders.

Today	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunny and breezy High: 81° Low: 61°	Mostly sunny and nice High: 75° Low: 65°	Clouds and sunshine High: 83° Low: 72°	Partly sunny and warm High: 88° Low: 72°

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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**Marine Forecast**

**New York Harbor:** Wind NNW 10-20 mph today. Seas 1-3 feet. Visibility unrestricted.

**Coney Island:** Wind NNW 10-20 mph today. Seas 1-3 feet. Visibility generally unrestricted.

**Sandy Hook:** Wind NNW 10-20 mph today. Seas 2-4 feet. Visibility generally clear.

**Montauk:** Wind NW 10-20 mph today. Seas 2-4 feet. Visibility generally unrestricted.

**Almanac Yesterday**  
Statistics for New York City through 7 p.m. yesterday

**Temperature**  
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### ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 19  
Life's current benefits can be maximized by being open with others. Conversations begun recently are receiving an extra boost as your attention shifts toward important people. Communication is the name of the game, but you don't need to play games in order to succeed.



### LIBRA

SEPT. 23-OCT. 22  
You deserve as much attention as anyone else. It's a good time to focus on your needs and goals. Broad thinking is encouraged with other planets lighting up your expansion sector, so avoid limiting yourself in any way. The possibilities really are endless if you are willing to pursue them.



### TAURUS

APRIL 20-MAY 20  
Accomplishing everything in front of you should be easy as Boysenberry pie. You can absolutely make steady progress in your preferred direction. Your tremendous finances are still in the picture, so you can potentially turn this productivity into cash in the bank if you take things slowly.



### SCORPIO

OCT. 23-NOV. 21  
There's a special undercurrent to the day, one which encourages a gentle touch. There's no need to put the pedal to the metal if you'd rather hang out in the slow lane. A strange, suspicious feeling could rear its head, but don't get caught up in potential problems if your reality appears anything but stormy.



### GEMINI

MAY 21-JUNE 20  
It's a good day to enjoy yourself. There's a cosmic emphasis on pleasure, so you're probably not very focused on work or anything mundane at the moment. Still, try to find some time to express yourself — maybe even in front of an audience. The universe wants you to show off your talents.



### SAGITTARIUS

NOV. 22-DEC. 21  
The way you connect to others is coming into sharper focus. You may find yourself interacting with lots of different people from many different places. However, the most important connections should be easily identified. When it comes to your relationships, think in terms of quality rather than quantity.



### CANCER

JUNE 21-JULY 22  
You can move at a manageable pace when you acknowledge everything will happen when it's meant to. Make an effort to set aside the wider world to manage any internal issues. You shouldn't have to worry about what others are up to. You're also allowed to indulge in some fantasy.



### CAPRICORN

DEC. 22-JAN. 19  
You can make steady progress, knowing you're heading in the right direction. Check in on any ongoing projects — or start a new one. It should be unusually easy to roll up your sleeves and get to work. Choose your destination, then start walking.



### LEO

JULY 23-AUG. 22  
Everywhere you go, there's someone you know. It's a good time to get out there and greet friends and strangers alike. People could be popping up like mushrooms. Don't be shocked if your popularity is off the charts. Everyone should be eager to spend time together, so get on board.



### AQUARIUS

JAN. 20-FEB. 18  
The world is full of incredible possibility, so don't just leave it for others to discover. You've got your sights set as far as possible. You should find plenty of things to enjoy beyond the horizon, so spread your beautiful wings and see what's on offer.



### VIRGO

AUG. 23-SEPT. 22  
This is no time to rest on your laurels. Your mind is tugged toward your money. Do your best to make time to check on your annual budget, just in case. You can think in broader terms, so don't focus on small details that won't create an impact. A work opportunity may also be in the cards if you know where to look.



### PISCES

FEB. 19-MARCH 20  
It's a good day to focus on your feelings. Life is encouraging you to enjoy some alone time, so don't be shocked if the last thing you want to do is bounce around, chit-chatting and having small talk with random strangers. The urge to stick close to home is especially strong. Tend to your individual needs before bowing to others.

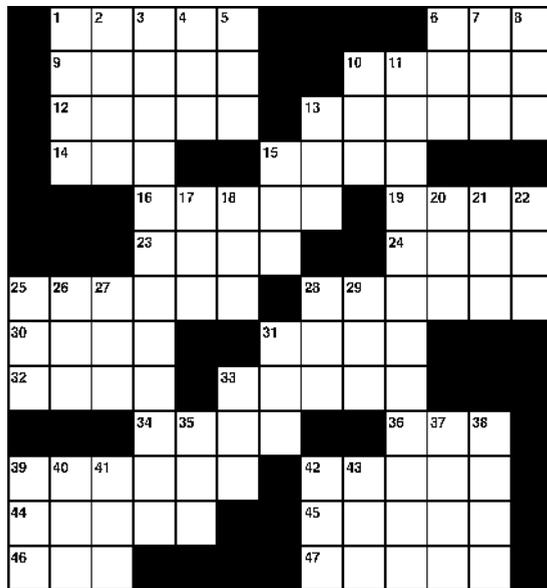


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## TV CROSSWORD

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### ACROSS

- 1 Lee or Alexander
- 6 "\_\_\_ Amsterdam"
- 9 Actress Procter
- 10 \_\_\_ Verdugo
- 12 "We're off \_\_\_ the Wizard..."
- 13 Blue Muppet
- 14 Very fast plane, for short
- 15 Media mogul Griffin
- 16 "The Main \_\_\_"; Streisand/O'Neal movie
- 19 "Resident \_\_\_"; Milla Jovovich horror film
- 23 City near Lake Tahoe
- 24 Japanese rice drink
- 25 Actress Jacqueline
- 28 Oscar-winner Matlin
- 30 Jai \_\_\_
- 31 Actress Claudini
- 32 Rubies & jades
- 33 Macho
- 34 "Family \_\_\_" (1982-89)
- 36 "Last \_\_\_ Standing"
- 39 \_\_\_ Joy of "CSI: NY"

### DOWN

- 42 Bullwinkle, for one
- 44 "Hearts \_\_\_"; John Ritter sitcom
- 45 Actress Potts
- 46 Series for Catherine Bell
- 47 Role on "M\*A\*S\*H"
- 1 New York team
- 2 John of "Good Times"
- 3 Series for the Mowry twins
- 4 "Grand \_\_\_ Opry"
- 5 "Bill \_\_\_; the Science Guy"
- 6 Setting for "Bonanza": abbr.
- 7 90 degrees from NNW
- 8 "World \_\_\_ Z"; Brad Pitt movie
- 10 Miscalculate
- 11 "Everybody \_\_\_"
- 13 "How to \_\_\_ Away with Murder"
- 15 L-P connection
- 17 Pop singer Bobby
- 18 Suffix for differ or exist
- 20 Actor Kilmer
- 21 Storekeeper on "The Waltons"
- 22 Marvin or Majors
- 25 Word attached to hand or wind
- 26 Suffix for infant or text
- 27 Role on "Cheers"
- 28 Night we watch "All Rise": abbr.
- 29 "\_\_\_ My Children" (1970-2011)
- 31 "\_\_\_ Vegas"
- 33 "How I \_\_\_ Your Mother"
- 35 Wrath
- 37 Oman's continent
- 38 \_\_\_-do-well; loafer
- 39 Role on "The Big Bang Theory"
- 40 "Men \_\_\_ Certain Age"
- 41 "\_\_\_ Brother"
- 42 Spoil
- 43 "Cat \_\_\_ Hot Tin Roof"



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By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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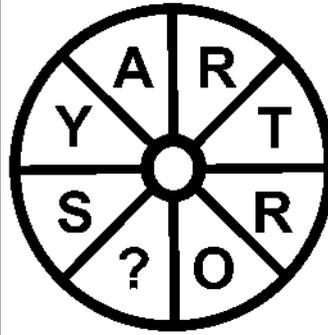
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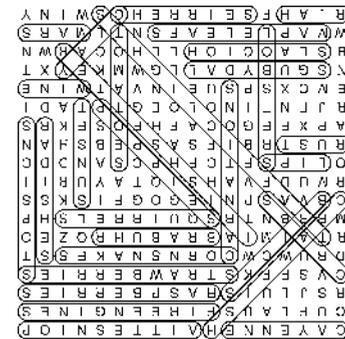
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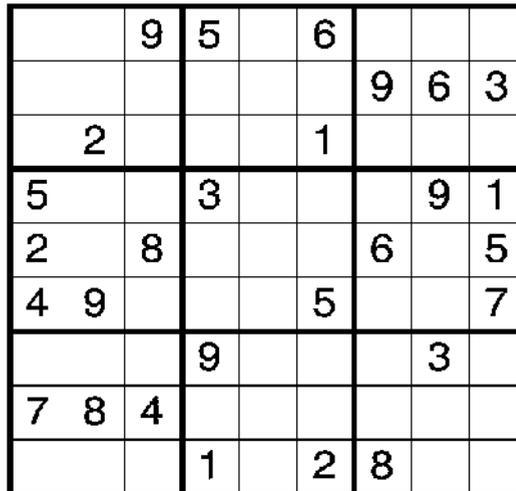


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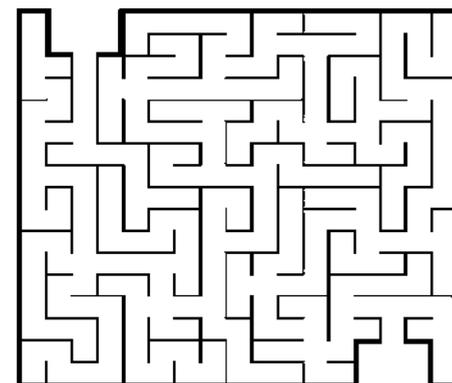
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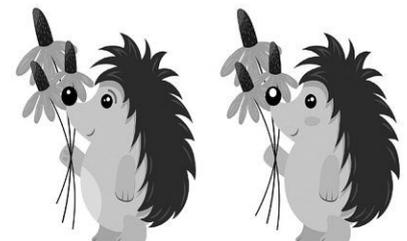
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- CORN SNAKES
- CRABS
- CRAWFISH
- FIRE ENGINES
- HAIR
- HOT COALS
- IRISH SETTER
- LADYBUGS
- LIPS
- LOBSTERS
- MAPLE LEAFS
- MARS
- POINSETTIA
- POPPIES
- RADISHES
- RASPBERRIES
- RHUBARB
- RUST
- SQUIRRELS
- STOP SIGNS
- STRAWBERRIES
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- TOMATOES
- TRAFFIC LIGHTS
- WINE



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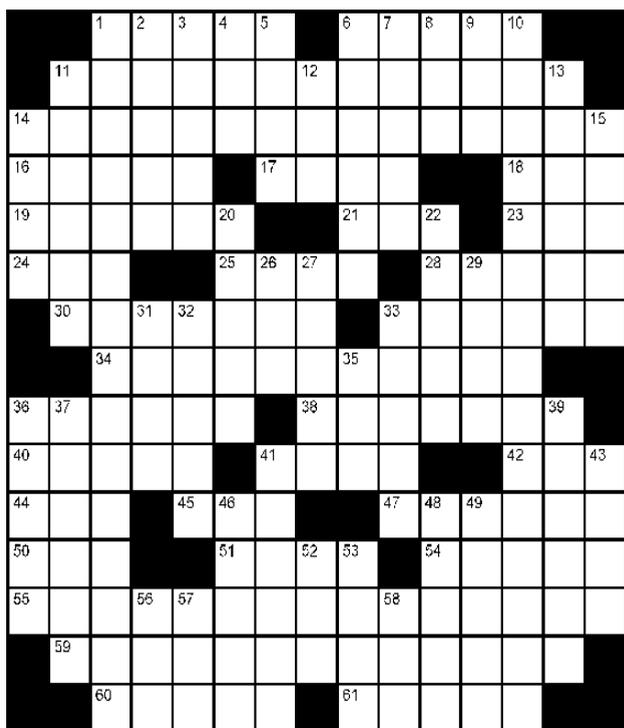


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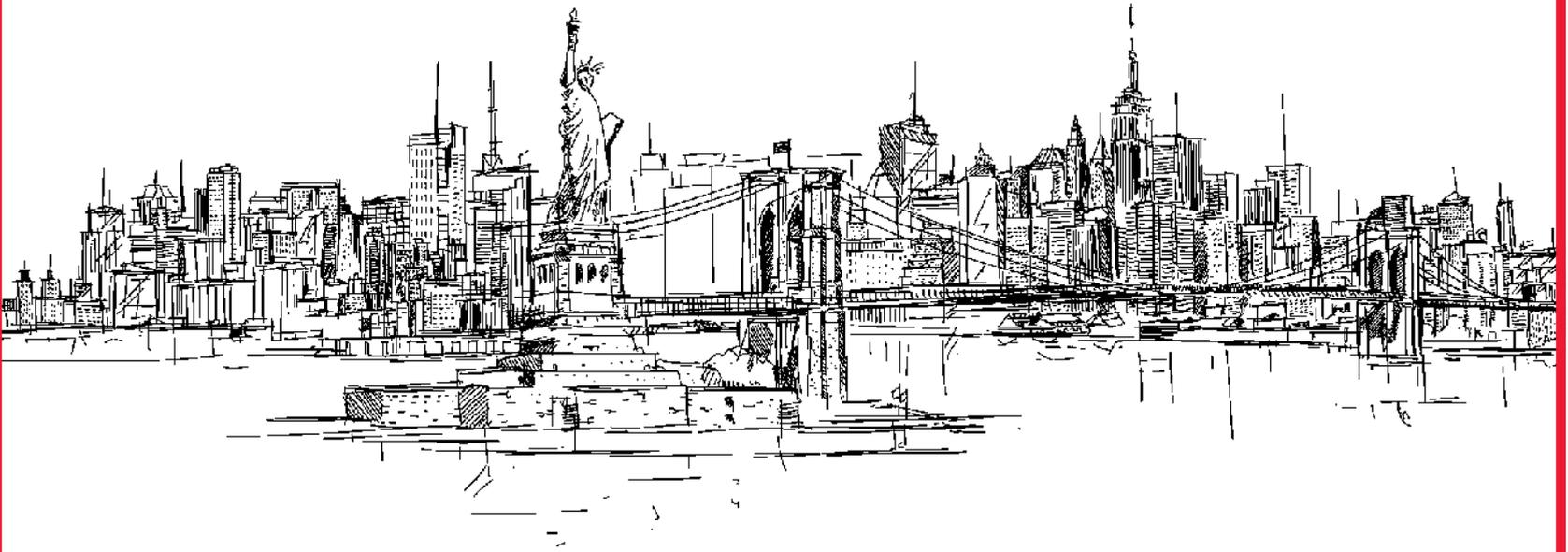
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- 5 many plot points are spun out?
- 6 Spread sloppily
- 14 "Look out, everyone!"
- 16 Bar and bat mitzvahs, for
- 17 Shirts shot at stands
- 18 Peyton's younger brother
- 28 Model Hunting-ton-Whiteley
- 30 Shapes of many Christmas ornaments
- 33 Lost causes
- 34 Amazon predator?
- 36 Exerts
- 38 "You're wrong about me"
- 40 Mid-term exam?
- 41 Source of inspiration
- 42 The \_\_\_ State (Idaho)

- 11 Nora who wrote, "Never marry a man you wouldn't want to be divorced from"
- 21 Little sister or brother?
- 23 Like, totally gnarly
- 24 Org. for 20-Downs
- 25 Midwestern city that's an anagram of "Mesa"
- 44 Uncertainties
- 45 Word before "tip" or "card"
- 47 Late-spring arrival?
- 50 Coq au \_\_\_
- 51 Tech company whose name precedes "chat"
- 54 Toddlers' taboos
- 55 Romance trope popularized by Jane Austen
- 59 One may disrupt an ecosystem
- 60 Incisor or molar
- 61 Disappear into the \_\_\_
- 8 Tip of a tongue?
- 9 Piercing tool
- 10 Disassemble and analyze
- 11 "Jeepers!"
- 12 "Super" day: Abbr.
- 13 L.A. neighborhood in a '90s sitcom
- 14 Brought up
- 15 They're taken during a feud
- 20 24-Across agents
- 22 Like a polymath's knowledge
- 26 Nothing to write home about
- 27 Channel with college games
- 29 Suspicious of
- 31 Colorful Hindu celebration
- 32 M.D. performing urgent care
- 33 "In the Hall of the Mountain King" composer
- 35 Apple's \_\_\_ 17
- 36 Drop, as fees
- 37 "It's just a scratch!"
- 39 Voices above basses
- 41 Stand-up guy
- 43 Doesn't \_\_\_ a beat
- 46 Start of a fitness motto
- 48 Alfred who played the "Harry Potter" franchise
- 49 Paramount production
- 52 Parts of some addresses
- 53 Religious leader in a puffer jacket, in a viral AI-generated image
- 56 Bovine bellow
- 57 "Am \_\_\_ believe ..."
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# BE CAREFUL WHO YOU BOO

## Moments after hearing it from Red Sox fans, Verdugo homers to start Yankees on way to Fenway rout

BY GARY PHILLIPS  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

BOSTON — In the days leading up to Friday's game, Alex Verdugo wanted a mixed reception.

After four seasons in Boston and a not-so-smooth finish, the outfielder said he hoped to hear "some love" before being showered with boos in his return to Fenway Park. But hours before the Yankees and Red Sox faced off for the first time this season, reality set in.

"Like a Yankee," Verdugo said when asked how he thought he'd be greeted.

He was right.

Dumped by the Red Sox in a rare offseason trade with the Bombers, Verdugo heard a chorus of boos as he stepped to the plate for his first at-bat back in Boston. Described as a "gamer" by Aaron Boone earlier in the day, Verdugo seemed unfazed by the first-inning jeers.

At least that's the impression he made when he immediately smoked a two-run homer to dead center. The 406-foot shot off of Brayan Bello, Verdugo's ninth of the year, gave the Yankees their first runs in an 8-1, rain-delayed win over their old enemy.

Verdugo, always eccentric, made a few animated gestures as he rounded the bases. With a gold chain bouncing around his neck, he pounded his chest, pumped his arms and shouted at teammates as they barked at him from the bench. After crossing home plate, Verdugo took a looping path back to the dugout, giving the Fenway faithful an extra look at what the Red Sox had discarded.

Seconds later, a forceful "Let's go Yankees" chant drowned out any disdain still being directed at the castoff.

Verdugo has admitted to being angry and upset over the trade, and his relationship with Alex Cora was a major talking point prior to the series. The Red Sox skipper benched the 28-year-old twice last season.

However, Verdugo reiterated that he and Cora are

on good terms, and the former has fit in seamlessly with the Yankees. While Verdugo has primarily hit cleanup and played sparkling defense in left, he manned right on Friday due to his familiarity with the spacious, unique dimensions surrounding the Pesky Pole.

"I'm a big believer everything happens for a reason, whether it's good things, bad things," said Verdugo, who also drove in runs with a fifth-inning double off the Green Monster and a ninth-inning single. "I feel like this trade happened for a reason, and looking back at it, it was better for me.

"I'm just able to be myself. These guys played against me for years and they understand what I bring when I'm out there in-between the lines. Now they're seeing it all the way around. I think they just really liked the energy I bring in. I'm just 100 percent me."

While Verdugo was busy being himself, Luis Gil got by without his best stuff.

The right-hander threw a career-high 104 pitches while holding the Red Sox to four hits and one earned run over five innings.

Some of Gil's early-season control problems returned, as he walked four batters. However, he struck out six.

With a 2.03 ERA, the rookie is a deserving candidate to start next month's All-Star Game.

In addition to Verdugo's contributions, the Yankees scored when Bello dropped an easy flip while covering first base in the fourth frame. Anthony Rizzo picked up an RBI single in the fifth.

Bello totaled 4.2 innings, six hits, five runs (four earned), three walks, five strikeouts and 92 pitches before Jose Trevino hit a solo homer over the Monster in the ninth. Aaron Judge then added an RBI double before Verdugo's final knock of the night.

With the Yankees back in the win column, they're set to face Cooper Criswell on Saturday. Carlos Rodón, looking to improve his own outside-looking-in All-Star case, will take the ball for the Yankees.

YANKEES	8
RED SOX	1

Former Red Sox outfielder Alex Verdugo circles bases at Fenway Park after first-inning home run that sends Yankees on their way to big win over rivals on Friday night. GETTY

# THE TWEETS



But for 2 inches on three back nine putts, @TigerWoods would have made cut. He showed he can compete at a high level and needs, more than anything, to play more tournaments. Of course that will depend on his physical condition. @LibertySoaring



## BIG GAME

Liberty ready for Finals rematch as Las Vegas visits for huge WNBA showdown

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# Top prospect Pereira out for rest of season, facing elbow surgery

**B**OSTON — For the second straight year, elbow surgery is forcing a Yankees outfield prospect to end his season early.

Last year, it was Jasson Domínguez. Now it's Everson Pereira, who underwent Tommy John surgery a couple of weeks ago, according to Aaron Boone.

"Unfortunately, but similar to Jasson, this is something that we fully expect him to come back from," the manager said before the Yankees' series-opener at Fenway Park on Friday.

SNY's Andy Martino reported that Pereira needed surgery earlier in the day on Friday. On Thursday, the Triple-A

Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders transferred Pereira to the full-season injured list. The club's fifth-best prospect initially went on the seven-day injured list on May 30.

A Yankees spokesperson said that Pereira played through the injury for a couple of weeks, thinking it was something minor, before discovering a tear. Pereira is expected to be at some stage of ramping up baseball activities next spring after undergoing an internal brace procedure for his ulnar collateral ligament. The newish method comes with a shorter recovery time than traditional Tommy John surgery.

Domínguez underwent the same procedure last September and completed a rehab assignment earlier this week. The Yankees decided to keep him at Triple-A.

Pereira struggled during a brief big league audition last year, hitting .151 over 27 games. Boone said that 23-year-old looked "a bit overwhelmed" and had trouble adjusting to the big leagues.

"Even in the first part of spring training, I still felt like he was a little wide-eyed and unsure," Boone continued. "I got really excited about the second half of spring training that he had with us. I felt like he really started to develop a really good process. Got to a good place mentally, in my view. And then before he got hurt, [he] was starting to play really well. Some of the things that he'd been constantly working on started to show some fruit in the games. Even though he's had success in Triple-A last year and certainly the start of this year, he was genuinely getting a little bit better before the injury."

Indeed, Pereira looked good before going down, hitting .265/.346/.512 with 10 home runs and 27 RBI over 40 minor league games.

A potential trade chip before the injury, Pereira could still be moved. Domínguez and Spencer Jones, another outfielder, rate higher in the Yankees system.

Whatever happens, Boone expects Pereira to be good as new when he returns to action.

"This isn't something that's going to hurt his career too much because he should come back full strength," the manager said.



## VERDUGO AND SOTO SWAP

With the Yankees in Boston, Boone put Alex Verdugo in right field and moved Juan Soto to left field for the first time this year. Verdugo primarily played right field in 2023, his last season with the Red Sox, so he knows his way around the Pesky Pole and that oddly shaped part of Fenway Park.

"This was going to be the one place that I was going to flip them this year," Boone said. "Obviously, this is a very unique right field, like our left field is very unique [at Yankee Stadium]. Right field here is about as unique as it gets in baseball. And with Dugie's experience playing right field here, it was something that we had talked about doing in spring. And then when I brought it to the guys over the last couple of days, they were both on board with, 'Yeah, let's flip it for the weekend.'"

When reminded that the Green Monster also presents an unusual challenge for Soto in left, Boone noted that there's less ground for the slower outfielder to cover.

## 'WE'LL SEE' ABOUT COLE

Boone said "we'll see" when asked if Gerrit Cole (elbow inflammation) would require any additional minor league outings. The ace completed his third rehab start at Triple-A on Friday night.

"Let's get through it, and then we'll sit down and see where we're at," the skipper said before Cole took the mound in Rochester.

Cole's outing — first at Triple-A level — ended after 70 pitches. He allowed two hits, one run (none earned), no walks and struck out 10 in 4.1 innings of work.



# J.D. DOES IT AGAIN

## Martinez's 2-run double leads Mets past Pods

BY ABBEY MASTRACCO  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

J.D. Martinez may singlehandedly be saving the Mets from a summer selloff.

One night after a walk-off home run led the Mets over the Miami Marlins, the designated hitter's two-run double helped the Mets defeat the San Diego Padres 2-1 on Friday night at Citi Field. The slugger powered the Amazins' past the Padres with an opposite-field flare off knuckleballer Matt Waldron in the second inning. It wasn't exactly a signature home run, but it was the timely hitting the Mets needed in the first game of a three-game set.

Waldron flummoxed the Mets for seven innings. He mixed in a few low-90s fastballs as well as sinkers and sliders, showcasing a variety of speeds in a variety of situations. He faced traffic only once, with Martinez's hit being one of only three allowed.

Jeff McNeil walked with one out in the third and it looked as though Francisco Lindor had connected for a home run, but the ball fell just short into the glove of center fielder Jackson Merrill at the wall.

But Brandon Nimmo singled to right to keep the inning going and bring up Martinez.

With two on and two out, Martinez got a 91 MPH fastball off the end of his bat, looping it into right field for a double. McNeil and Nimmo scored to put the Mets up 2-0.

Waldron (4-6) didn't give the Mets much more to work with after that, limiting them to two earned runs on three hits, walking two, striking out two and hitting two batters.

Left-hander Sean Manaea (4-3) went five innings in the win, limiting San Diego to one earned run on four

hits. The one run came off the bat of Merrill in the fifth inning, his sixth homer of the season. Tyrone Taylor leapt up the wall to try to grab it but the ball bounced right above him at the orange line, cutting the Mets' lead in half.

Manaea faced only one hitter after that, having already thrown 87 pitches when he entered the sixth inning, giving up a leadoff single to Luis Arraez. The Mets went to right-hander Adam Ottavino much earlier than usual. Francisco Alvarez and McNeil helped out Ottavino by catching Arraez stealing, with McNeil belly-flopping to tag the runner after he slid past the base.

Ottavino then retired Fernando Tatis Jr. and Jurickson Profar to get out of the inning.

After getting the first two outs in the seventh, the Mets went to left-hander Jake Diekman to get left-handed Jake Cronenworth out. Diekman hit him and then walked Ha-Seong Kim to put two on with two out.

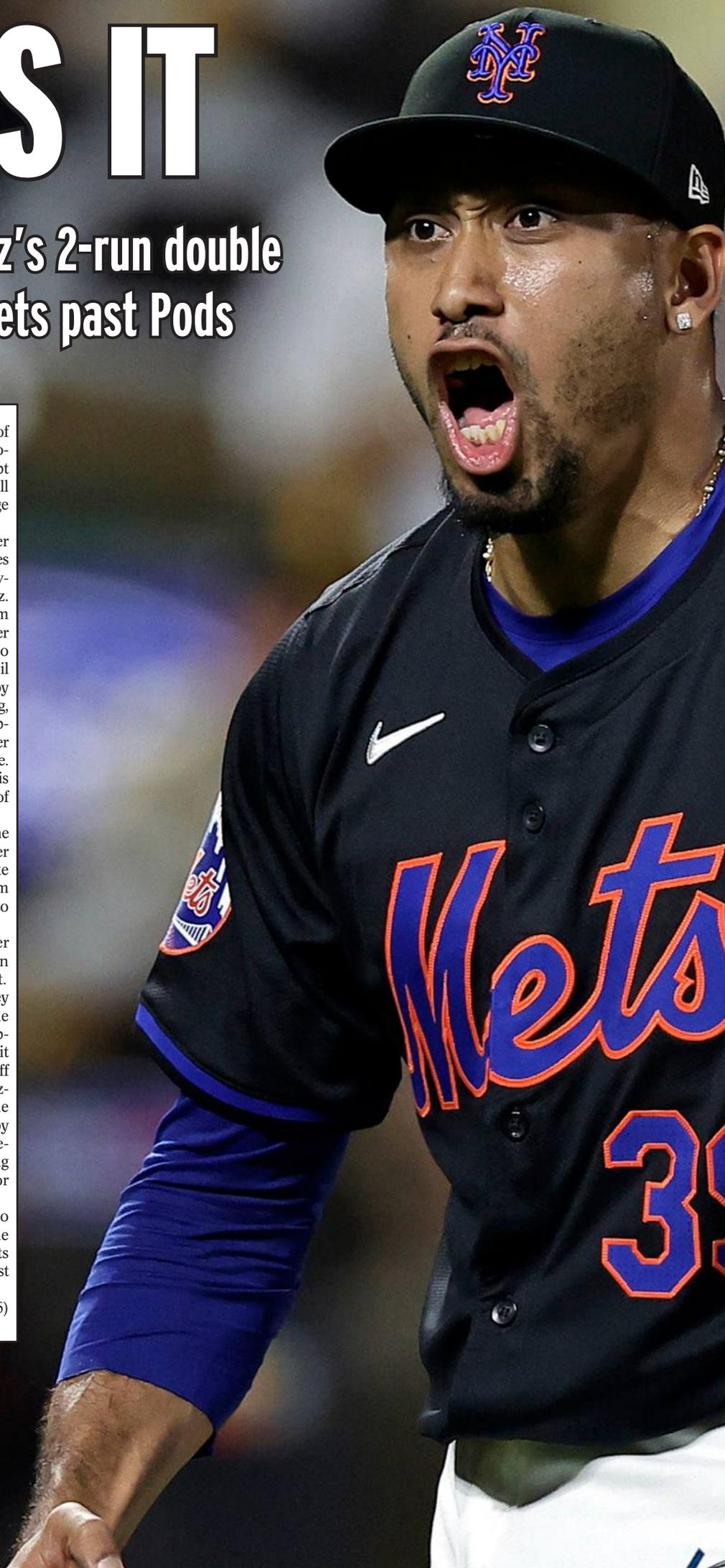
Merrill then hit one deep to center field, but Nimmo tracked it down in the left field corner for the third out.

Right-hander Sean Reid-Foley pitched a perfect eighth to set up the save for closer Edwin Diaz. In typical, 2024 Diaz fashion, he made it interesting. Profar singled to lead off the inning and pinch-runner Jose Azocar stole second base. Azocar made it to third base on a ground ball by Donovan Solano, with McNeil preventing the tying run from scoring by making a fantastic sliding stop for the out.

Diaz struck out Cronenworth to convert his sixth save and secure the win, the third straight for the Mets (31-37) and their seventh in their last nine tries.

The series with San Diego (37-36) continues Saturday at 4:10 p.m.

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Edwin Diaz closes out Met win over Padres. AP

# Mendoza says Nimmo slump a 'timing' issue

It's no secret that the Mets' key hitters have had their struggles this season. It seems like every other week it's a different hitter, with Francisco Lindor, Pete Alonso, Jeff McNeil, Starling Marte and just about every catcher on the roster having taken turns going hitless over certain stretches of the season.

It appears to be Brandon Nimmo's turn.

The outfielder comes into the series against the San Diego Padres hitting just .215 on the season. He looked to be back on track last week when he went 8-for-27 with two doubles, a triple and a .789 OPS in six games against the Arizona Diamondbacks, Washington Nationals and Philadelphia Phillies.

But his six-game hitting streak ended when the Mets returned home. Nimmo went 0-for-7 with a walk in two games against the Miami Marlins and was benched for the series finale. Since getting hit in the head with a pitch by San Francisco's Kyle Harrison, Nimmo has hit just .200 with a .500 OPS and 28 strikeouts. He was tested for a concussion and the tests came back negative.

The Mets see a timing issue rather than an injury issue.

"When your timing is off, the decisions – the swing decisions, are probably a bit late and he's probably not seeing the ball out of the hand as he normally would," manager Carlos Mendoza said Friday at Citi Field. "Then they're swing-and-misses.

There's probably a little bit more chase or passive approach at times, but I think it comes down to the timing. This is something that he knows, he's aware of it and he's working on it."

The Mets took Nimmo out of the leadoff spot last month and moved Nimmo down to No. 3 in the order, replacing him with Lindor. The 31-year-old has hit from the leadoff spot for most of his career until recently. He's seeing different pitches in the third spot – a lot more fastballs – which could explain part of the timing problem.

But the Mets downplayed any notion that the slump is more than a timing issue. However, Nimmo is striking out at a higher rate this season, which has been something of a trend for him over the last two seasons. But his lower-than-average BaBIP (.279) would support his claim that he's hitting the ball hard, but right at people.

"I don't think it's whether he's hitting third, I just go back to timing," Mendoza said. "When he's on time, he's a pretty special hitter. Right now, he's off."

## TURNING 2

Third baseman Brett Baty played nine innings at second base Thursday night with Triple-A Syracuse. The Mets don't have any firm plans to use him in a utility role moving forward, but should they choose to promote Baty and go without a utility infielder again, Baty will be prepared to play the middle infield if needed.

"It's going to come down to team defense in knowing where to be and turning double plays," Mendoza said. "But again, it was one game. It was good to get him going and the report was positive."

Baty has embraced the assignment, saying he's excited to add positional versatility to his game. If he was uncomfortable defensively, it didn't show at the plate. Baty went 3-for-5 with a double and three RBI against Lehigh Valley.

## NICE GAME, PRETTY BOY

Exactly 37 years ago, Keith Hernandez made an error against the Philadelphia Phillies. That error is forever commemorated in the iconic "Seinfeld" episode, "The Boyfriend." The former Mets great and current SNY broadcaster guest starred in the episode as himself, befriend Jerry and dating Elaine.

One of the scenes depicted Kramer and Newman talking about their hate for Hernandez, accusing the former first baseman of spitting on them in the Shea Stadium parking lot. Hernandez had some fun on social media, commemorating the anniversary of the error in a video on SNY.





Sepp Straka of Austria has one of two aces at Pinehurst on Friday. AP

## Molinari makes cut with hole in one; Straka has ace, too

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PINEHURST, N.C. — Francesco Molinari walked to up the final tee box on Friday essentially needing a miracle to make the cut at the U.S. Open.

The Italian delivered with the shot of the day — a dramatic hole-in-one on the 194-yard, par-3 ninth using a 7-iron. Molinari, who started the round on the back nine, was two strokes over the projected cut line at the time, but the eagle moved him to 5 over for the tournament and will allow him to play this weekend.

Molinari could barely believe his eyes when the ball hit the left edge of the green and starting tracking toward the cup and fell in.

His playing partners, Ryo Ishikawa and Sergio Garcia, had already hit their tee shots and were walking toward the green when they heard the roar of the crowd. They raised their arms in the air simultaneously before returning to congratulate Molinari on the tee box.

“I don’t even know what to say. Just incredible,” Molinari said of his third career ace on the PGA Tour. “... It was the last chance to have a chance to play the weekend. I saw we were still 61st (the top 60 and ties make the cut) at the time. Yeah, that’s golf in a

nutshell.”

Molinari said he wasn’t going for an ace, but just wanted to get the ball close and have a shot at a birdie — and then just hope for the best.

“I had just bogeyed 8,” Molinari said. “I was hoping I was able to par 8 and then having to make 2 at 9. With that flag, if you hit a good shot, you can get it within birdie range. But the chances are incredibly small, so I don’t know what to say.”

It was the second hole-in-one of the day on No. 9 at Pinehurst.

Sepp Straka had an ace earlier, six holes after he hit the flagstick on his way to a triple bogey.

Straka landed the ball in the front portion of the green, and it rolled about 30 feet into the cup. It was the first ace on the PGA Tour for Straka, who raised his arms in jubilation. He also made the cut.

On the short par-4 third hole, Straka’s approach from 139 yards banged into the flagstick, with the ball rolling back off the green and into a bunker. From there, his shot went too far and rolled off the back right side, a rough stretch that ultimately resulted in a triple-bogey 7.

Straka, who was born in Austria and represented Europe in last year’s Ryder Cup, shot a 2-over 72 on Friday to post 2-over 142 through 36 holes.

# TIGER MISSES THE CUT

## Woods shoots 73, his 13th straight round without breaking par at a major

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PINEHURST, N.C. — Tiger Woods was unable to find the right mix of quality shots and timely breaks at Pinehurst No. 2 to extend his first U.S. Open appearance in four years into the weekend.

He’s heading home. And he’s uncertain if he’ll be back.

The three-time U.S. Open champion missed the cut at 7 over on the Donald Ross course, struggling to deal with tricky domed greens and sandy native areas featuring plants instead of traditional rough. Woods shot a 3-over 73 on Friday after opening with a 74, marking his 13th consecutive round without breaking par in a major.

“It’s one of those things where in order to win a golf tournament, you have to make the cut,” Woods said. “I can’t win the tournament from where I’m at, so it certainly is frustrating.

“I thought I played well enough to be up there in contention. It just didn’t work out.”

The 48-year-old Woods hadn’t played a U.S. Open round since Winged Foot in 2020 because of injuries. He has had multiple back and knee surgeries, as well as the procedure to repair serious injuries to his right leg and ankle from a 2021 car crash.

He began his U.S. Open return Thursday with a promising birdie, only to see things come apart with a mid-round stretch of five bogeys in seven holes on the way to the 74 with an early tee time. But with almost 24 hours to recover for his afternoon tee time Friday, he got off to a solid start with two par saves and a birdie at the fourth.

Yet that was as good as the scorecard would look on a hot day at Pinehurst. Woods posted for bogeys while suffering through multiple close calls on birdie putts that could’ve helped him gain some traction.

“It was probably the highest score I could have possibly shot today,” Woods said. “I hit a lot of good shots that just didn’t quite go my way. Or I hit good putts, and then I put myself in a couple bad spots with some bad lag putts.”

None stung worse than at the 15th hole, when Woods was 6 over and fighting to get inside the cut line.

He put his tee shot on the right edge of the green to set up a 15-foot putt for birdie, then tapped the ball for what looked like

a perfect roll to the hole. Woods started to step confidently with his left foot, expecting the ball to drop, only to watch it catch the right edge of the cup, ride the lip about a quarter of the way around to the backside and then trickled away.

Woods froze, then leaned forward with his hands on his knees before finishing the tap-in for par.

“Yeah, 15 hurt,” he said. “If I make that putt, it flips the momentum, and I’m looking pretty good on the last three holes.”

It was one of multiple missed chances on a day that began with him getting up-and-down to save par on the first two holes. He followed with his first highlight on the fourth, rolling in a 20-foot downhill putt for birdie — a moment he marked with a subtle pump of his right fist and a big smile.

Yet the course never got easier amid 90-degree temps, and Woods couldn’t sustain that momentum to make even a modest climb.

He gave a shot right back on the fifth, starting with an errant tee shot that had him muttering to himself and watching in disappointment as the ball sailed left into the native area and straight into a clumpy plant. It ended with Woods rolling an 8-foot par putt a few inches left of the cup before taking a tap-in for bogey.

He ran into more trouble on the ninth, where his tee shot bounced on the left side of the green, then ran all the way across to roll off the back right side before stopping near a section of metal stairs for the stands. Worse, his attempt to chip onto the green ended up catching the front edge and begin rolling backward, leaving Woods only to watch with his hands on his hips before it came to rest a few feet in front of him.

He salvaged a bogey on that one, at least, thanks to a chip that set up a 5-foot finishing putt.

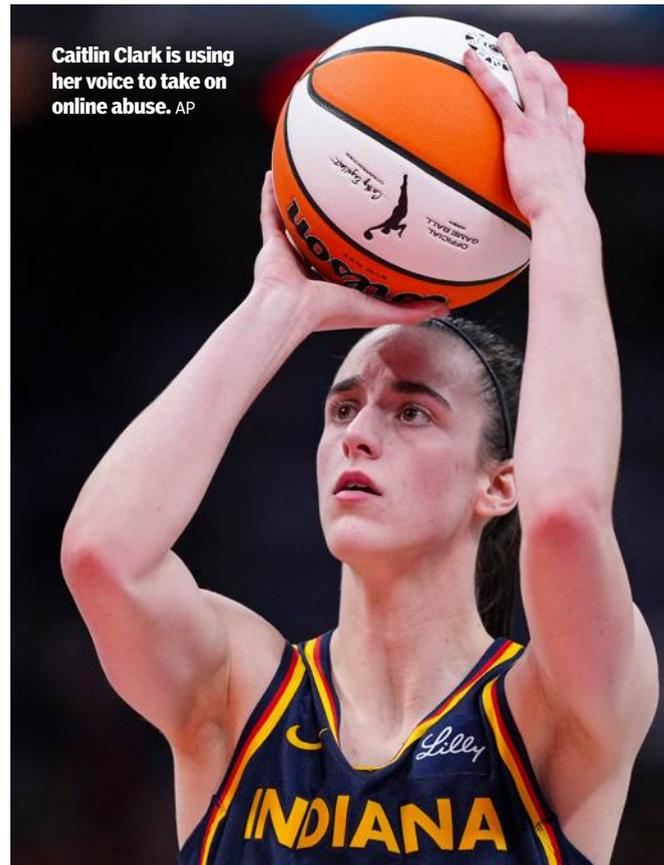
Woods won the U.S. Open in 2000, 2002 and 2008 on the way to becoming a 15-time major champion. He accepted a special exemption to play this week at Pinehurst No. 2, where he finished third in the U.S. Open in 1999 and second in 2005 but didn’t compete in the 2014 edition due to one of his back surgeries.

Asked whether this could be his last U.S. Open, Woods was noncommittal.

“As far as my last ... U.S. Open championship, I don’t know what that is,” he said. “It may or may not be.”



**Tiger Woods doesn't make it to the weekend at U.S. Open at Pinehurst.** AP



**Caitlin Clark is using her voice to take on online abuse.** AP

## Clark speaks out against racist and sexist online abuse

**BY FIIFI FRIMPONG**  
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Indiana Fever star Caitlin Clark spoke out against social media users who have used her name to push racist and misogynistic agendas towards other WNBA players.

On Thursday, the No. 1 overall pick denounced such language and said she doesn't want people using her name in that context.

"People should not be using my name to push those agendas. It's disappointing. It's not acceptable," she said Thursday. "Just treating every single woman in this league with the same amount of respect, I think, it's just a basic human thing that everybody should do."

Clark, a white basketball player who entered the league with immense fame, has repeatedly had her name used in debates online. Social media users have pushed racist and misogynistic agendas when debating why she was left off Team USA's Olympic squad and in reaction to the star taking hard fouls in WNBA games. Her teammates have also been subject to online abuse.

"Everybody in our world deserves the same amount of respect," Clark said in response to a question from The Athletic's James Boyd. "The women in our league deserve the same amount

of respect. People should not be using my name to push those agendas."

Clark's comments came after she initially responded to a question by The Athletic's Jim Trotter, in which she said her name being weaponized is something she can't "control."

"It's not something I can control. ... And to be honest, I don't see a lot of it," she said.

Clark added: "People can talk about what they want to talk about. ... I'm just here to play basketball."

Those initial comments drew criticism online, including words from Connecticut Sun guard Dijonai Carrington.

Following Carrington's post, Clark was more specific when asked about users weaponizing her name relating to racism and misogyny.

The discussions surrounding Clark and the WNBA have continued while the Fever started the season with a 4-10 record. Clark is currently averaging 15.6 points, 6.0 assists and 4.9 rebounds per game. The Iowa product is in the early conversation of Rookie of the Year and will play against another candidate, Angel Reese, when the Fever and Sky face off on Sunday.

# A LOT ON THE LINE FOR LIBERTY

## Showdown vs. Aces important in race for homecourt advantage

BY FIFI FRIMPONG  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

The last time the Las Vegas Aces and New York Liberty met, Becky Hammon's team celebrated their second-consecutive WNBA title on the Barclays Center floor.

Courtney Vandersloot had airballed a game-winning shot from the corner as time expired in Game 4 of the WNBA Finals, which headlined a second half which the Liberty coughed up a nine-point lead in a matchup they entered as 5.5-point favorites.

And a Liberty second-half lead in the Finals only occurred at home at Barclays Center. They held a lead throughout the entire second half in the Game 3 victory over the Aces at Barclays Center.

The home-court advantage presented a clear boost to home teams in that series in 2023. In the second halves of the first two Finals games in Las Vegas, the Liberty led for just 1:59 of 40 regulation minutes.

That daunting Finals experience and a clear chance of gaining an edge for securing home-court advantage down the road is enough motivation for the Liberty when they face the Aces for the first time this season at Michelob Ultra Arena Saturday afternoon. And this is the perfect time to do it.

The Aces will enter Saturday with a subpar 6-5 record. They've also suffered a three-game skid in June, the longest losing streak of the Hammon era. They've been without star guard Chelsea Gray, who was listed as questionable and didn't play in Thursday's win against the Phoenix Mercury. Star Jackie Young hasn't been healthy through the start of the season and aside from MVP frontrunner A'ja Wilson, the Aces are searching for consistent and reliable production. Young, though, seems to be on track after making seven treys and logging a career-high 34 points Thursday night.

"We're a fun group but losing sucks," Hammon said after the team lost its fifth game of the season to the Minnesota Lynx Tuesday. "We gotta put the work first. The trust — I'm not quite sure why the trust isn't there."

On the other hand, the Liberty (11-2) are on a seven-game winning streak and in position to steal a game from an Aces squad that's expected to eventually overcome their issues. A win would put Sandy Brondello's team 1-0 in the season series (three games) and just one step closer to home-court advantage in the postseason. The two teams are again favorites to reach the 2024 WNBA Finals.

Coincidentally, the two teams would face off in a first-round matchup if the season ended before Thursday's slate of games.

Home-court advantage clearly aided the two teams in last season's matchups. All of the regular-season matchups between the two super-teams in 2023 ended with the home team winning comfortably. The Liberty lost by an average of 15 points in regular-season games at Michelob Ultra Arena while the Aces lost by an average of 23.5 points in game at Barclays Center, including the 38-point beatdown on Aug. 6.

The lone outlier was the Liberty's Commissioner's Cup Championship win on the road against the Aces.

And in the WNBA Finals, the Liberty didn't stand a chance in Sin City. Their stars were ineffective in the 17-point loss in Game 1 and 28-point blowout in Game 2. If it wasn't for Jonquel Jones' surge in Game 2, her team would've lost by 40.

The Liberty regained life after returning home to Brooklyn and winning Game 3 by 14 points. And a Game 4 win was within reach but even if they protected home court, the Liberty had yet to prove of being capable of winning a do-or-die Game 5 in Las Vegas.

That's why securing home-court advantage against a tested Aces squad should be priority No. 1.

And the Liberty have no excuse not to get the job done against the Aces Saturday, as New York enters Sin City with Jones playing some of her best basketball with the team, the league's best offense clicking and five full days of rest. The Liberty's last game was on Sunday against the Washington Mystics and the Aces have been busy since then: a road loss to the rebuilding Los Angeles Sparks last Sunday, a 14-point defeat to the Lynx Tuesday and a road win against MVP candidate Kahleah Copper and the Mercury Thursday night.

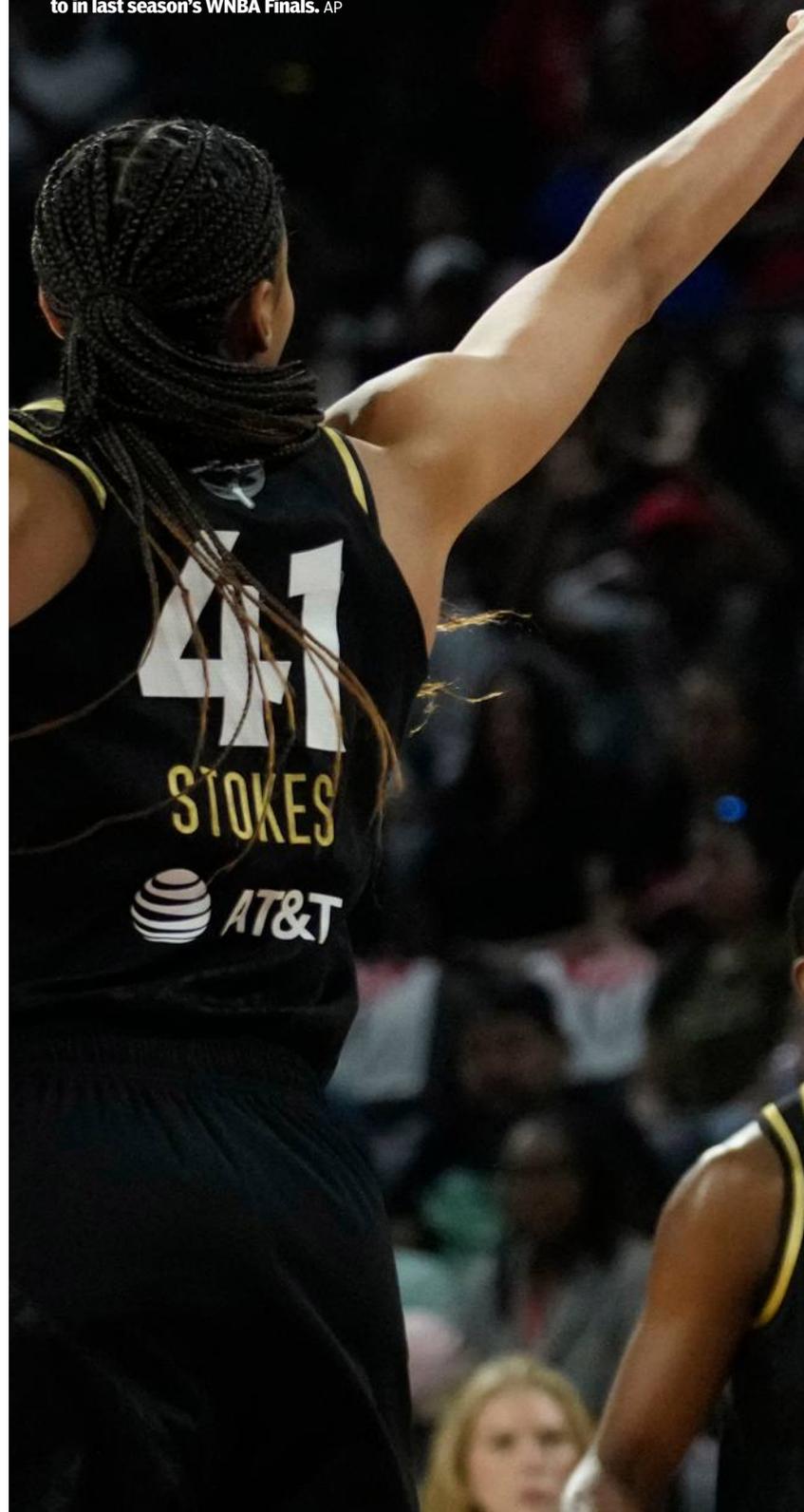
The schedule also works in the Liberty's favor down the line if they secure a win Saturday. Following the Olympic break, the Aces would have to even the season series on the second game of a back-to-back in a matchup in Las Vegas on Aug. 17. The Libs have a road game against the Sparks two days prior.

The final regular-season matchup is on Sept. 8 after the Libs get two days of rest. The Aces will go into that matchup suiting up for the fourth time in seven days. And they'll have to deal with physical title contenders — Connecticut Sun — two days before the Liberty matchup.

There's no guarantee that the WNBA Finals will again feature the Liberty and Aces, who hope to become the second team in league history to win three straight titles — the Houston Comets won four straight from 1997-2000. There's no guarantee they'll face off in the postseason at all.

But the Liberty can do their best to control their destiny. And that begins Saturday.

Jonquel Jones and the Liberty have a huge game today against the Las Vegas Aces, who they lost to in last season's WNBA Finals. AP





# Panthers calm and cool on verge of hoisting the Cup

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EDMONTON, Alberta — One win away from a championship, it feels like the Florida Panthers are treating Game 4 of the Stanley Cup Final like Game 44 of the regular season.

“Our whole mindset right now is recovering and getting prepared for the next game,” forward Sam Bennett said after beating the Edmonton Oilers in Game 3 to move to the verge of a sweep. “I don’t think anyone can really look ahead.”

With coach Paul Maurice and captain Aleksander Barkov setting the tone, the Panthers are looking ahead only to Game 4 on the road Saturday night as the next challenge in their season-long journey. They can bring home the Cup for the first time in franchise history but are approaching the opportunity in the same businesslike manner they’ve had all playoffs.

“We’ve done such a good job of having that one-game, simple mindset: Win your first period, win your first few shifts,” winger Matthew Tkachuk said Friday. “Just a really calm, kind of chill and relaxed group today. Use that to our advantage.”

One major advantage is being in the final for a second consecutive time, though this series is the opposite for Florida after injuries piled up and the gas ran out last year against Vegas. The core group also knows what it’s like to be facing elimination this late in the playoffs, seeing the Golden Knights close it out in their first chance in 2023.

Maurice does not believe finishing any series, especially the final, is not about killer instinct, but he wants the Panthers to acknowledge it’s an elimination game and a situation most of his players and staff have never been in before.

“We go back to what we know,” Maurice said. “There’s nothing new to what we’re going to do. The puck’s going to drop, it’s going to be the exact same sport, so there’s nothing new here. The context is different.”

The context is being up 3-0 in the series despite arguably being outplayed in two of the three games. They have the better goaltender in Sergei Bobrovsky, who has stopped 82 of 86 shots and whose .953 save percentage ranks in the top 10 in a final in NHL history, and they have scored on their opportunities while the Oilers have not.

Edmonton coach Kris Knoblauch thinks his players not finishing has been the difference in the series, pointing to analytics that show they are getting more quality scoring chances than in any of the first three rounds.

“It’s just being able to put the puck in the net, which is obviously a very big part of the game,” Knoblauch said.

The Oilers have players who were on the two most recent teams to fall behind in the Cup final: Corey Perry with Montreal in 2021 and Adam Henrique with New Jersey in 2012. Each of those teams avoided being swept, and the Devils even forced a Game 6 with similar coast-to-coast back and forth travel as this series.

“When everybody writes you off, you believe in the group in here,” said Henrique, who scored the Game 4-winning goal 12 years ago. “It’s certainly a big hill to climb, but you don’t look at the whole picture. You look at taking those first couple steps, get that first one and go from there. It’s a challenge that we’re certainly up to.”

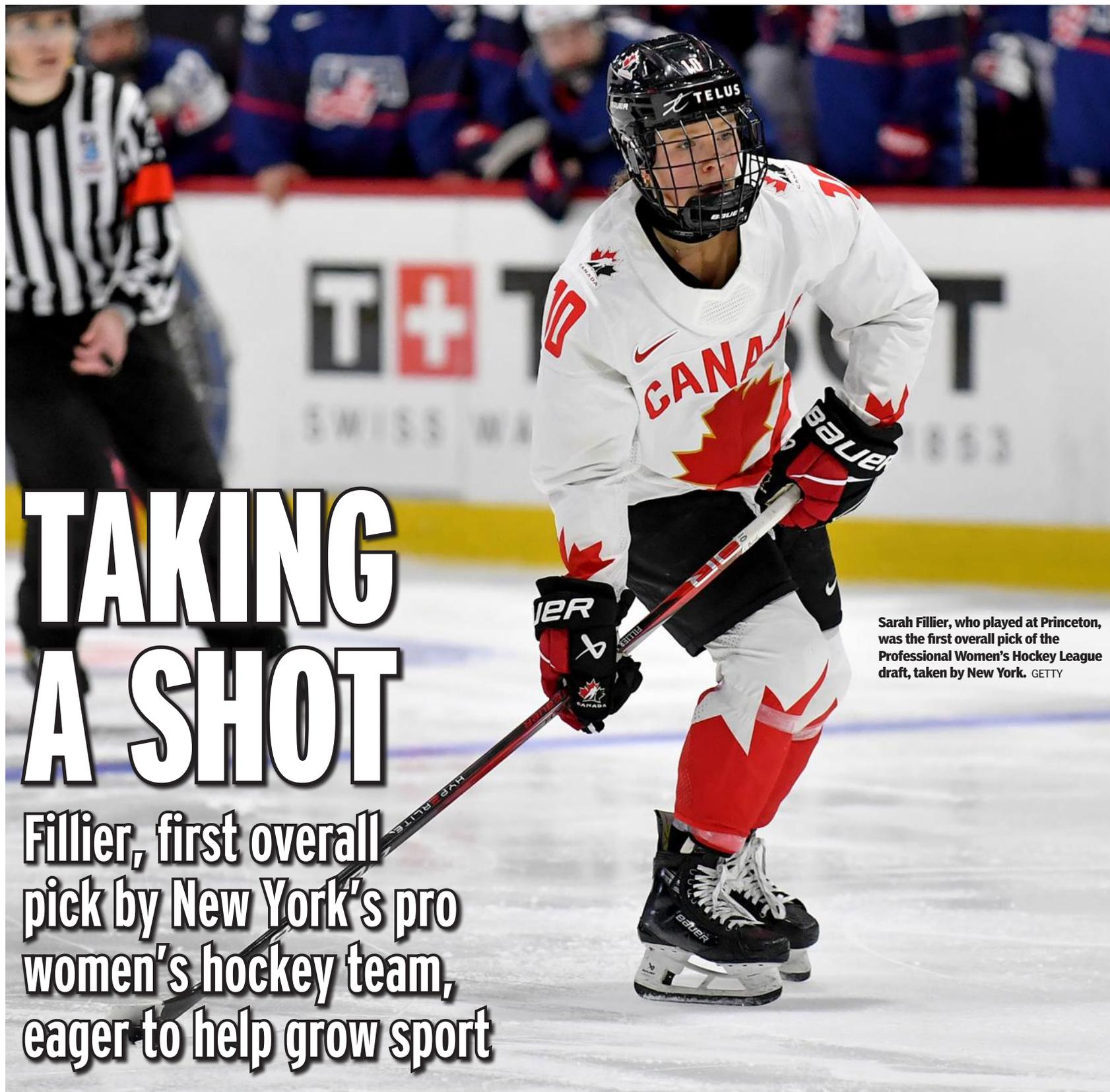
The league has not had a 4-0 Stanley Cup Final since Detroit swept Washington in 1998 to go back to back. The last time a team erased a 3-0 deficit to win the final was the Toronto Maple Leafs in 1942.

Perry, the first player to reach the final with five different organizations, echoed a lot of teammates’ observations that the Oilers think they have earned better than a 3-0 series deficit. But to a man they realize the predicament and long odds they are facing.

“We’ve put ourselves in a big hole, no question,” Perry said. “Do we think we can be in a better situation? Possibly. They’re a good team though. They’ve capitalized on our mistakes and that’s probably the games.”

If it continues, that’s the series and the Panthers will be able to party with the Stanley Cup on their nearly six-hour flight home to South Florida. Before Game 4 begins, they are just tying desperately to keep those celebratory thoughts out of sight and out of mind to keep them from becoming a distraction.

“We never think too much ahead,” said Barkov, who along with Bobrovsky is a top candidate for the Conn Smythe Trophy as playoff MVP. “It’s there for us, but you don’t think about it. You can’t think about it. All you have to do is take one moment at a time.”



Sarah Fillier, who played at Princeton, was the first overall pick of the Professional Women's Hockey League draft, taken by New York. GETTY

# TAKING A SHOT

Fillier, first overall pick by New York's pro women's hockey team, eager to help grow sport

BY PETER SBLENDORIO  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Sarah Fillier didn't have to go far to begin her professional hockey career.

A product of nearby Princeton University, Fillier was selected first overall by PWHL New York in Monday's Professional Women's Hockey League (PWHL) draft.

It's a natural fit beyond the local ties.

Fillier, 24, leaves Princeton ranked fourth in school history with 93 goals and second with 101 assists. She scored a career-high 30 goals in 29 games last season, making her the only player in NCAA women's ice hockey to average more than a goal per game.

She joins a New York team in need of offense, having finished second-to-last with 53 goals in the league's inaugural 2023-24 season and in last place in the six-team

standings with a 5-4-3-12 record.

"I want to make an immediate impact on that roster," Fillier told the Daily News.

"I bring a ton of speed and a ton of creativity offensively," she said. "I like to have fun in the offensive zone and be able to contribute every night for my team, but I think I play really responsibly in the defensive zone and bring a complete 200-foot game."

Fillier joins a New York roster headlined by forward Alex Carpenter, whose 23 points last season ranked fourth in the PWHL. Fillier said she told New York general manager Pascal Daoust and newly hired head coach Greg Fargo that she's willing to play center or wing, where she spent the final four months of her senior season.

Last year's debut of the PWHL followed the collapse of the Canadian's Women's Hockey League in 2019. Fillier said she

watched many of the PWHL games last season in her dorm room at Princeton and believes the league exceeded expectations in year one.

"I think everyone at this draft has a responsibility to continue to push this league forward and continue to grow," Fillier said. "We had tremendous role models in the league last year, and what they did with the league has been inspiring and motivating. Hopefully this new draft class can do the same."

New York bounced between three venues — Total Mortgage Arena in Bridgeport, Conn., UBS Arena in Elmont, N.Y., and Newark's Prudential Center — last season.

The organization hopes the 5-5 Fillier can provide a boost to a franchise seeking stability with the hiring of Fargo, who joined last week after 12 seasons with Colgate

University, including a 2023-24 campaign in which he led the school in Hamilton, N.Y., to a 27-6-1 record.

Fillier, who hails from the Toronto area, brings with her a winning pedigree, having starred on the Canadian women's team that took home the gold medal at the 2022 Olympics in Beijing. Fillier's eight goals in seven games at those Olympics ranked second on Canada.

"At the Olympics, you're dealing with a lot of stressors and adversity, and you never really know what you're gonna get until those first games," Fillier said.

"That's probably how this summer's gonna go until we finally step on the ice and I get to wear that New York jersey. The game, internationally, is physical and fast, and I think that's exactly what the pro league is going to give."

# Astros release former MVP Abreu with \$30.8 million left on deal

Jose Abreu, a former Rookie of the Year and American League MVP, is released by the Astros. AP



The Houston Astros released **José Abreu** on Friday, cutting ties with the former AL MVP less than halfway through a three-year, \$58.5 million contract.

The 37-year-old Abreu was batting .124 (14 for 113) with two homers and seven RBIs this season, during which he spent time in the minors trying to fix his swing. The Astros still owe him \$30.8 million from the deal he signed before last season.

A three-time All-Star during his nine years with the Chicago White Sox, Abreu was named MVP during the pandemic-shortened 2020 season. He was the AL Rookie of the Year in 2014 after defecting from his native Cuba the previous year.

His production dropped off significantly with the Astros. He

batted .237 last year, the lowest average of his career, with 18 homers and 90 RBIs.

Abreu is a career .283 hitter with 263 homers and 960 RBIs in 11 seasons.

Houston owes him \$30,822,504, including

\$11,322,504 remaining from this year's salary and \$19.5 million for 2025. Any team can sign him for a prorated share of the \$740,000 major league minimum, with the Astros responsible for the rest.

## O'S PROSPECT HOLLIDAY TO IL

Top-ranked prospect **Jackson Holliday** is going on the injured list with right elbow inflammation.

The Baltimore Orioles announced the move Friday. Holliday is currently at Triple-A Norfolk after he struggled earlier this season

in his first major league stint.

Holliday is MLB Pipeline's No. 1-ranked prospect. The Orioles drafted the infielder with the top pick in 2022.

He was promoted to the Orioles early this season, but went back to the minors after going 2 for 34 with 18 strikeouts. He's hit .270 with seven home runs and 28 RBIs in 50 games with Norfolk.

## COMMANDERS SIGN DANIELS

**Jayden Daniels** signed his rookie contract with the Washington Commanders on Friday, the next step in becoming the team's franchise quarterback.

The Heisman Trophy winner out of LSU was the second pick in the NFL draft. As a result, the contract is worth \$37.75 million for four years with a \$24.5 million signing bonus and a fifth-year team option for the 2028 season.

Coach **Dan Quinn** has not

named Daniels as the Commanders' starting QB, instead saying training camp will be an open competition with veteran Marcus Mariota. But Daniels figures to win that competition and become Washington's eighth Week 1 starter at the position in as many seasons.

"One of the things that I love about him is he's got this demeanor about the execution, about the confidence," Quinn said this week. "He's got a swagger to him. He really has a very firm handle on the things that we're doing, but he also has the humility of a young player. And so I thought, 'What a cool combination to have this presence as an older player, but yet the humility of the new and younger player, knowing that he has a lot to prove.'"

Daniels, who threw out the first pitch before a recent Washington Nationals game, said at minicamp

he knows he's "not a star yet."

"I got a long way to go," Daniels said. "I'm a rookie."

## WIZARDS, HEAT IN MEXICO

The NBA will return to Mexico City next season, with the Washington Wizards and the Miami Heat set to play a regular-season game there on Nov. 2.

It will be a home game for the Wizards and the 33rd NBA matchup in Mexico since 1992, the most of any country other than the United States and Canada.

Miami's roster currently includes **Jaime Jaquez Jr.**, an All-Rookie team member this season who is of Mexican descent. Jaquez was part of a Cinco de Mayo celebration at the White House last month.

It'll be the fourth game in Mexico for Washington, the third for Miami. The game will be broadcast live in Mexico on ESPN.

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# MLB STANDINGS

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	50	22	.694	—	—	7-3	W-1	22-10	28-12
Baltimore	45	24	.652	3½	+7½	6-4	L-2	23-14	22-10
Boston	35	35	.500	14	3	5-5	L-1	16-20	19-15
Toronto	33	36	.478	15½	4½	5-5	L-2	16-16	17-20
Tampa Bay	33	37	.471	16	5	4-6	L-1	19-23	14-14

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Cleveland	44	23	.657	—	—	6-4	W-1	21-8	23-15
Kansas City	40	30	.571	5½	+2	5-5	W-1	25-14	15-16
Minnesota	38	32	.543	7½	—	5-5	W-3	20-14	18-18
Detroit	33	36	.478	12	4½	4-6	L-1	16-19	17-17
Chicago	18	52	.257	27½	20	3-7	W-1	12-23	6-29

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Seattle	40	31	.563	—	—	6-4	L-1	24-12	16-19
Texas	33	35	.485	5½	4	5-5	W-2	16-17	17-18
Houston	32	38	.457	7½	6	6-4	W-1	18-18	14-20
Los Angeles	26	42	.382	12½	11	5-5	L-1	11-23	15-19
Oakland	26	46	.361	14½	13	2-8	L-7	15-20	11-26

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Philadelphia	47	22	.681	—	—	6-4	W-1	27-10	20-12
Atlanta	37	30	.552	9	+3½	4-6	W-2	20-12	17-18
Washington	33	36	.478	14	1½	6-4	W-1	14-17	19-19
New York	31	37	.456	15½	3	7-3	W-3	16-23	15-14
Miami	23	46	.333	24	11½	2-8	L-3	12-25	11-21

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Milwaukee	40	29	.580	—	—	4-6	L-1	20-12	20-17
St. Louis	34	34	.500	5½	—	6-4	W-3	17-15	17-19
Cincinnati	34	35	.493	6	½	8-2	W-2	18-19	16-16
Pittsburgh	33	36	.478	7	1½	6-4	W-1	16-17	17-19
Chicago	33	37	.471	7½	2	4-6	L-2	18-14	15-23

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Los Angeles	42	28	.600	—	—	5-5	L-2	22-14	20-14
San Diego	37	36	.507	6½	+½	5-5	L-1	18-21	19-15
San Francisco	34	35	.493	7½	½	5-5	W-1	19-15	15-20
Arizona	33	36	.478	8½	1½	6-4	W-1	17-17	16-19
Colorado	24	45	.348	17½	10½	3-7	L-2	13-18	11-27

## RESULTS, SCHEDULE

### AMERICAN LEAGUE FRIDAY'S RESULTS

N.Y. Yankees 8, Boston 1  
 Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 1:35p.m.  
 Cleveland at Toronto, 1:37p.m.  
 Atlanta 7, Tampa Bay 3  
 Houston 4, Detroit 0  
 Philadelphia 5, Baltimore 3(11)  
 Minnesota 6, Oakland 5(10)  
 Chicago White Sox at Arizona, late  
 Kansas City at L.A. Dodgers, late  
 Texas at Seattle, late  
 L.A. Angels at San Francisco, late

### SUNDAY'S GAMES

Philadelphia at Baltimore, 1:35p.m.  
 Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 1:35p.m.  
 Cleveland at Toronto, 1:37p.m.  
 Detroit at Houston, 2:10p.m.  
 Oakland at Minnesota, 2:10p.m.  
 L.A. Angels at San Francisco, 4:05p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox at Arizona, 4:10p.m.  
 Kansas City at L.A. Dodgers, 4:10p.m.  
 Texas at Seattle, 4:10p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 7:10p.m.

### THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Detroit 7, Washington 2  
 Atlanta 6, Baltimore 3  
 Kansas City 4, N.Y. Yankees 3  
 Tampa Bay 3, Chicago Cubs 2  
 Boston 9, Philadelphia 3  
 Minnesota 6, Oakland 2  
 Chicago White Sox 3, Seattle 2(10)  
 Arizona 11, L.A. Angels 1  
 Texas 3, L.A. Dodgers 1

### AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS

Through Thursday's games

BATTING AVERAGE	G	AB	H	R	AVG
Witt KC	70	282	93	59	.330
Soto NYY	68	250	80	55	.320
Judge NYY	70	252	76	53	.302
Perez KC	68	246	73	26	.297
J.Smith Tex	66	210	62	33	.295
Rutschman Bal	64	265	78	35	.294
Altuve Hou	68	282	83	39	.294
Alvarez Hou	68	263	77	40	.293
Peña Hou	68	264	77	35	.292
Devers Bos	57	213	61	37	.286

**HOME RUNS:** Judge, New York, 25; Henderson, Baltimore, 21; K.Tucker, Houston, 19; J.Ramirez, Cleveland, 18.

**RBI:** Judge, New York, 62; J.Ramirez, Cleveland, 62; Soto, New York, 54; J.Naylor, Cleveland, 50; Rutschman, Baltimore, 50; Witt, Kansas City, 50.

**PITCHING:** Lugo, Kansas City, 9-2; Rodón, New York, 9-2; Skubal, Detroit, 8-1; Gil, New York, 8-1; Burnes, Baltimore, 7-2; Rodriguez, Baltimore, 7-2.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE FRIDAY'S RESULTS

N.Y. Mets 2, San Diego 1  
 St. Louis 3, Chicago Cubs 0  
 Washington 8, Miami 1  
 Atlanta 7, Tampa Bay 3  
 Philadelphia 5, Baltimore 3(11)  
 Cincinnati 6, Milwaukee 5  
 Pittsburgh 5, Colorado 2  
 Chicago White Sox at Arizona, late  
 Kansas City at L.A. Dodgers, late  
 L.A. Angels at San Francisco, late

### SUNDAY'S GAMES

St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, 1:05p.m.  
 Miami at Washington, 1:35p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Baltimore, 1:35p.m.  
 Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 1:35p.m.  
 San Diego at N.Y. Mets, 1:40p.m.  
 Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 2:10p.m.  
 Pittsburgh at Colorado, 3:10p.m.  
 L.A. Angels at San Francisco, 4:05p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox at Arizona, 4:10p.m.  
 Kansas City at L.A. Dodgers, 4:10p.m.

### THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Detroit 7, Washington 2  
 Atlanta 6, Baltimore 3  
 St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 3  
 Tampa Bay 3, Chicago Cubs 2  
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 Arizona 11, L.A. Angels 1  
 Texas 3, L.A. Dodgers 1

### NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS

Through Thursday's games

BATTING AVERAGE	G	AB	H	R	AVG
Arraez SD	68	288	94	41	.326
Profar SD	71	238	77	39	.324
Ozuna Atl	66	245	79	39	.322
Betts LAD	69	273	84	49	.308
Ohtani LAD	67	268	82	51	.306
Willi.Contreras Mil	67	272	83	50	.305
El.Diaz Col	55	198	60	20	.303
M.Winn StL	62	209	63	23	.301
Freeman LAD	70	255	76	43	.298
W.Smith LAD	59	221	65	36	.294

**HOME RUNS:** Ozuna, Atlanta, 18; T.Hernández, Los Angeles, 17; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 17.

**RBI:** Ozuna, Atlanta, 57; Bohm, Philadelphia, 52; T.Hernández, Los Angeles, 50; Adames, Milwaukee, 47; Willi.Contreras, Milwaukee, 47.

**PITCHING:** R.Suárez, Philadelphia, 10-1; Sale, Atlanta, 8-2; Nola, Philadelphia, 8-3; Wheeler, Philadelphia, 8-3; Keller, Pittsburgh, 8-4; S.Gray, St. Louis, 8-4.

## TODAY'S PITCHING COMPARISON

INTERLEAGUE		2024				2023 VS OPP				LAST 3 STARTS				
TEAM	PITCHERS	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
LAA	Sandoval (L)	2-8	5.23	5-9	0-0	6.2	2.70	0-1	17.2	4.08	0-3	12.0	14.25	
SF	Winn (R)	4:05p	3-7	6.94	3-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-3	12.0	14.25			

AMERICAN LEAGUE		2024				2023 VS OPP				LAST 3 STARTS				
TEAM	PITCHERS	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
Phi	Walker (R)	3-1	5.40	4-4	0-0	5.2	3.18	0-1	16.2	5.94	0-1	18.1	3.44	
Bal	Rodriguez (R)	4:05p	7-2	3.27	8-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	18.1	3.44			

AMERICAN LEAGUE		2024				2023 VS OPP				LAST 3 STARTS				
TEAM	PITCHERS	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
Oak	Estes (R)	2-2	4.78	3-3	0-0	5.1	5.06	1-1	16.1	2.20	0-2	14.2	7.98	
Min	Ober (R)	2:10p	5-4	5.13	6-7	1-0	5.0	0.00	0-2	14.2	7.98			

NATIONAL LEAGUE		2024				2023 VS OPP				LAST 3 STARTS				
TEAM	PITCHERS	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
STL	Pallante (R)	2-2	4.88	2-1	0-0	6.0	0.00	2-1	14.0	3.86	1-1	15.1	5.87	
ChC	Imanaga (L)	2:20p	6-1	1.96	10-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	15.1	5.87			

**TEAM REC:** Team's Record in games started by today's pitcher.  
**VS OPP:** Pitcher's record versus this opponent.

### N.Y. Yankees 8, Boston 1

FRIDAY'S RESULT	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
New York	200	120	003	810	0	
Boston	000	100	000	15	2	

Boston	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Duran lf	3	0	1	0	2	.273
D.Hamilton ss	5	0	0	0	1	.281
O'Neill rf	5	0	0	0	4	.249
Devers 3b	2	1	0	0	2	.284
Yoshida dh	3	0	0	0	0	.256
Wong c	3	0	1	0	0	.330
Valdez 2b	2	0	1	1	0	.203
a-Westbrook ph-2b1	0	1	0	0	0	.200
Smith 1b	3	0	0	0	2	.216
b-Dalbec ph-1b1	0	0	0	0	1	.139
Rafaela cf	4	0	1	0	2	.221
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	

New York	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
New York	200	120	003	810	0	
Boston	000	100	000	15	2	

a-singled for Valdez in the 8th. b-struck out for Smith in the 8th. **E:** Bello (1), O'Neill (2). **LOB:** New York 6, Boston 11. **2B:** Soto (12), Verdugo (15), Judge (22), Valdez (10). **HR:** Verdugo (9), off Bello; Trevino (7), off Anderson. **RBI:** Verdugo 4(41), Rizzo (28), Trevino (24), Judge (63), Valdez (23). **SB:** Volpe 2(15). **Runners left in scoring position:** New York 4(Torres 3, Stanton); Boston 6(Rafaela 2, O'Neill 2, Yoshida, Duran). **RISP:** New York 4for 11; Boston 1 for 11. **Runners moved up:** Torres. **GIDP:** Torres. **DP:** Boston 1(Devers, Valdez, Smith).

NEW YORK	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gil, W, 9-1	5	4	1	1	4	6	2.02
Kahnie	½	0	0	0	2	2	5.14
Ferguson, H, 10	½	0	0	0	0	4	4.43
Gonzalez	½	1	0	0	0	0	2.75
Tonkin	½	0	0	0	1	2	0.83

BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bello, L, 6-4	4½	6	5	4	3	5	5.00
Booser	½	1	0	0	0	0	3.46
Kelly	2	0	0	0	0	3	1.96
Anderson	2	3	3	1	3	4	7.88

**Inherited runners-scored:** Ferguson 2-0, Tonkin 1-0, Booser 2-1. **WP:** Anderson. **Umpires:** Home, Tony Randazzo; First, Alex Tosi; Second, Dan Bellino; Third, Phil Cuzzi. **T:** 3:02. **A:** 35,024(37,755).

### N.Y. Mets 2, San Diego 1

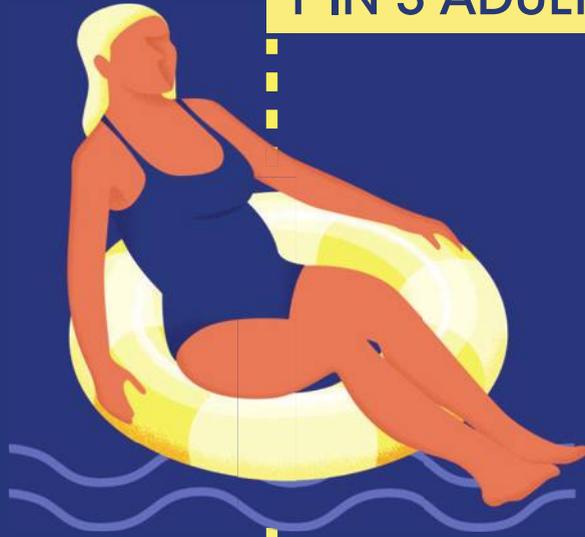
FRIDAY'S RESULT	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
San Diego	000	010	000	15	0	
New York	002	000	00x	24	1	

San Diego	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Arraez 1b	4	0	2	0	0	.355
Tatis rf	4	0	0	0	1	.276
Profar lf	4	0	2	0	1	.326
1-Azocar pr	0	0	0	0	0	.217
Machado dh	4	0	0	0	3	.248
Solano 3b	4	0	0	0	3	.298
Cronenworth 2b 2	0	0	0	0	1	.261
Kim ss	2	0	0	0	1	.220
Merrill cf	3	1	1	1	0	.280
Higashioka c	2	0	0	0	2	.179
a-D.Peralta ph	1	0	0	0	0	.235
Campanuso c	0	0	0	0	0	.231
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	

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Cleveland 3, Toronto 1

FRIDAY'S RESULT Cleveland AB R H BI SO AVG Kwan lf 4 0 1 0 0 .377 Gimenez 2b 4 0 2 1 0 .266 Ramirez 3b 4 0 0 0 2 .269 J.Naylor 1b 4 0 1 0 1 .227 Fry c 4 0 1 0 0 .319 Brennan rf 4 2 2 1 0 .237 Schneemann cf 2 0 1 1 1 .375 a-Freeman ph-cf 1 0 0 0 0 .217 Rocchio ss 3 1 1 0 1 .215 B.Naylor dh 3 0 0 0 2 .177 TOTALS 33 3 9 3 7

Toronto AB R H BI SO AVG Schneider lf 4 0 1 1 1 .230 Jansen c 4 0 0 0 1 .254 Guerrero 1b 3 0 0 0 2 .278 Bichette ss 3 0 0 0 0 .237 Turner dh 4 0 0 0 2 .227 Springer rf 2 0 0 0 1 .197 Knr-Fifa 2b-3b 2 0 0 0 0 .263 Varsho cf 2 0 0 0 0 .215 b-Kirk ph 1 0 0 0 1 .209 Kiermaier cf 0 0 0 0 0 .200 Clement 3b 2 1 2 0 0 .256 c-Horwitz ph-2b1 0 0 0 0 0 .368 TOTALS 28 1 3 1 8

Cleveland 010 110 000 3 9 0 Toronto 000 001 000 1 3 0

a-grounded out for Schneemann in the 7th. b-struck out for Varsho in the 7th. c-flied out for Clement in the 8th. LOB: Cleveland 3, Toronto 4. 2B: Kwan (10), Brennan (6), Schneemann (2), Rocchio (11), Clement 2 (8), HR: Brennan (6), off Gausman. RBIs: Schneemann (3), Brennan (21), Gimenez (35), Schneider (33), SB: Gimenez (11). Runners left in scoring position: Cleveland 3 (Ramirez, J.Naylor, B.Naylor); Toronto 1 (Jansen). RISP: Cleveland 2 for 10; Toronto 1 for 4. Runners moved up: Gimenez. GIDP: Ramirez, Brennan, Fry, Kiner-Falefa, Turner. DP: Cleveland 2 (Rocchio, Gimenez, J.Naylor; Rocchio, Gimenez, J.Naylor); Toronto 3 (Clement, Kiner-Falefa, Guerrero; Bichette, Guerrero; Kiner-Falefa, Guerrero).

CLEVELAND IP H R ER BB SO ERA Allen, W, 7-3 5 3 1 1 3 3 5.30 Smith, H, 9 1 1 0 0 0 1 1.72 Barlow, H, 16 1/2 0 0 0 1 1 3.58 Hentges, H, 6 1/2 0 0 0 0 1 2.63 Gaddis, H, 14 1 0 0 0 0 1 1.67 Clase, S, 21-24 1 0 0 0 0 1 0.81

TORONTO IP H R ER BB SO ERA Gausman, L, 5-5 5 8 3 3 0 6 4.08 Cabrera 1 1/2 0 0 0 0 1 4.91 Little 1 1/2 0 0 0 0 0 5.59 Papi 1/2 0 0 0 0 0 5.21

Inherited runners-scored: Smith 1-0, Hentges 1-0, Cabrera 1-0. Umpires: Home, Doug Eddings; First, Chad Whitson; Second, Bill Miller; Third, Malachi Moore. T: 2:22. A: 36,790 (39,150).

Atlanta 7, Tampa Bay 3

FRIDAY'S RESULT Tampa Bay AB R H BI SO AVG Diaz 1b 5 1 1 0 1 .259 Arozarena lf 2 0 1 0 0 .174 Rosario 3b 4 0 1 1 0 .294 Paredes dh 4 0 1 0 0 .285 Siri cf 4 2 2 0 2 .195 DeLuca rf 4 0 0 0 2 .153 Walls ss 4 0 0 0 3 .111 Caballero 2b 0 0 0 0 0 .250 Palacios 2b 3 0 2 2 0 .247 Jackson c 3 0 0 0 1 .075 TOTALS 33 3 8 3 9

Atlanta AB R H BI SO AVG Harris cf 1 0 1 0 0 .250 1-Martinez pr-cf4 1 1 0 1 0 .222 Albies 2b 5 1 1 0 0 .269 Ozuna dh 4 2 1 3 1 .321 Olson 1b 5 1 2 0 0 .248 Riley 3b 4 2 3 3 1 .230 Murphy c 4 0 1 0 2 .130 Duvall rf 4 0 0 0 1 .172 Kelenic lf 3 0 1 0 1 .259 Arcia ss 4 0 1 0 1 .229 TOTALS 38 7 12 6 8

Tampa Bay 100 000 101 3 8 2 Atlanta 520 000 00x 7 12 0

1-ran for Harris in the 1st. E: Littell (1), Palacios (2). LOB: Tampa Bay 7, Atlanta 9. 2B: Rosario (11), Siri 2(10), Palacios (6), Albies (20), Olson 2(18), Riley (11). HR: Ozuna (19), off Littell; Riley (4), off Littell. RBIs: Rosario (23), Palacios 2(14), Ozuna 3 (60), Riley 3(23). SB: Martinez (1). Runners left in scoring position: Tampa Bay 4 (Jackson, DeLuca, 2 Diaz); Atlanta 3 (Martinez, Riley, Olson). RISP: Tampa Bay 3 for 12; Atlanta 2 for 9. Runners moved up: DeLuca, Albies. GIDP: Jackson, Rosario. DP: Atlanta 2 (Riley, Albies, Olson); Tampa Bay, Olson. TAMPA BAY IP H R ER BB SO ERA Littell, L, 2-5 2 8 7 6 1 2 4.24 Kelly 1 1/2 1 0 0 0 0 3.26 Maton 1 1/2 1 0 0 0 1 5.68 Devenski 2 2 0 0 0 4 5.25 Adam 1 0 0 0 0 1 1.86 ATLANTA IP H R ER BB SO ERA Sale, W, 9-2 7 5 2 2 2 2 2.98 Chavez 1 1 0 0 0 1 1.29 Lee 2 1 0 0 1 1 2.48 Iglesias, S, 18-20 1/2 0 0 0 0 0 2.10 Inherited runners-scored: Iglesias 2-0. HBP: Sale (Arozarena), Maton (Kelenic). Umpires: Home, David Rackley; First, Nate Tomlinson; Second, Chris Segal; Third, Larry Vanover. T: 2:36. A: 41,046(41,149).

Houston 4, Detroit 0

FRIDAY'S RESULT Detroit AB R H BI SO AVG Vierling cf 4 0 0 0 1 .262 Greene lf 4 0 1 0 1 .245 Perez rf 4 0 0 0 2 .246 Canha 1b 4 0 0 0 3 .239 Ursheila 3b 3 0 1 0 0 .286 Keith 2b 3 0 2 0 0 .222 Malloy dh 3 0 1 0 2 .231 Rogers c 3 0 0 0 0 .214 Kreidler ss 2 0 0 0 1 .250 a-McKinstry ph-ss 1 0 0 0 0 .196 TOTALS 31 0 5 0 10

Houston AB R H BI SO AVG Altuve 2b 3 1 2 0 1 .298 Bregman 3b 4 1 1 1 0 .240 Alvarez lf 3 0 0 1 2 .289 Cabbage lf 0 0 0 0 0 .267 Pena ss 3 0 0 0 0 .288 Diaz dh 3 1 1 0 1 .258 Dubon 1b 3 1 1 2 0 .302 Meyers cf 3 0 0 0 0 .258 Caratini c 3 0 1 0 0 .235 McCormick rf 3 0 0 0 0 .204 TOTALS 28 4 6 4 4

Detroit 000 000 000 0 5 0 Houston 000 004 00x 4 6 0

a-flied out for Kreidler in the 8th. LOB: Detroit 4, Houston 3. 2B: Altuve 2 (14). 3B: Bregman (2). HR: Dubon (3), off Skubal. RBIs: Bregman (33), Alvarez (36), Dubon 2 (23). SB: Pena (10). CS: Malloy (1), McCormick (1). SF: Alvarez. Runners left in scoring position: Detroit 1 (Rogers); Houston 2 (Diaz 2). RISP: Detroit 0 for 2; Houston 1 for 4. Runners moved up: Bregman.

DETROIT IP H R ER BB SO ERA Skubal, L, 8-2 6 6 4 4 1 2 2.20 Brieske 1 1/2 0 0 0 0 2 3.38

HOUSTON IP H R ER BB SO ERA Brown, W, 3-5 7 5 0 0 0 9 5.00 Abreu 1 0 0 0 0 0 2.80 Hader 1 0 0 0 0 1 3.82

Inherited runners-scored: Brieske 1-0. HBP: Skubal (Pena). Umpires: Home, Roberto Ortiz; First, Alfonso Marquez; Second, Lance Barrett; Third, Dan Merzell. T: 2:05. A: 36,902(41,000).

Minnesota 6, Oakland 5

FRIDAY'S RESULT Oakland AB R H BI SO AVG Schuemann ss 3 1 0 0 0 .241 Bleday cf 3 2 0 0 0 .239 Rooker dh 5 0 1 1 2 .257 2-Cameron pr-dh0 0 0 0 0 0 .184 Andujar lf 5 1 2 0 0 .315 Soderstrom 1b 5 0 1 0 3 .224 Langeliers c 5 1 1 4 1 .204 Davis 3b 1 0 0 0 0 .225 1-Toro pr-3b 0 0 0 0 0 .262 Brown rf 4 0 0 0 2 .188 Gelof 2b 3 0 0 0 1 .188 TOTALS 34 5 5 5 9

Minnesota AB R H BI SO AVG Castro 2b 5 1 2 0 1 .257 Larnach dh 5 0 1 0 0 .260 3-Martin pr 0 1 0 0 0 .238 Correa ss 4 2 1 0 0 .298 Kepler rf 4 1 3 4 0 .263 Miranda 3b 2 0 1 0 0 .273 Santana 1b 3 1 1 1 0 .227 Buxton cf 4 0 1 1 1 .244 Margot lf 4 0 0 0 1 .231 Vazquez c 4 0 0 0 2 .183 TOTALS 35 6 10 6 5

Oakland 400 000 100 0 5 0 1 Minnesota 010 003 010 1 6 10 1

No outs when winning run scored. 1-ran for Davis in the 8th. 2-ran for Rooker in the 10th. 3-ran for Larnach in the 10th. E: Schuemann (7), Woods Richardson (2). LOB: Oakland 8, Minnesota 8. 3B: Rooker (2), Buxton (3). HR: Langeliers (13), off Woods Richardson; Kepler (5), off Spence. RBIs: Langeliers 4 (35), Rooker (41), Buxton (22), Kepler 4 (27), Santana (34). Runners left in scoring position: Oakland 4 (Bleday, Soderstrom, Langeliers, Davis); Minnesota 3 (Margot 3). RISP: Oakland 2 for 13; Minnesota 2 for 5. Runners moved up: Schuemann. LIDP: Bleday. GIDP: Miranda, Larnach, Santana. DP: Oakland 3 (Gelof, Schuemann, Soderstrom); Schuemann, Gelof, Soderstrom; Gelof, Schuemann, Soderstrom); Minnesota 1 (Kepler, Santana, Kepler).

OAKLAND IP H R ER BB SO ERA Spence 5 1/2 9 4 4 1 3 3.95 Adams 1/2 0 0 0 0 1 3.52 Jimenez, H, 4 1 0 0 0 0 2.91 Erceg, H, 9 1/2 0 1 0 1 0 3.52 Miller, BS, 12-14 1 1/2 0 0 0 1 2.27 Alexander, L, 0-2 0 1 1 0 1 0 4.00

MINNESOTA IP H R ER BB SO ERA Woods Richardson 4 4 4 4 4 3 2.99 Sands 2 0 0 0 0 3 4.22 Jax 1 1 1 1 0 1 2.37 Staumont 1 0 0 0 1 0 0.00 Duran, W, 2-2 2 0 0 0 1 1 3.66

Inherited runners-scored: Adams 1-0, Miller 3-1. IBB: off Alexander (Correa). HBP: Sands (Davis), Jax (Bleday), Erceg (Kepler). WP: Jax. Umpires: Home, Adrian Johnson; First, Quinn Wolcott; Second, Junior Valentine; Third, Ramon De Jesus. T: 2:52. A: 35,631 (38,544).

Pittsburgh 5, Colorado 2

FRIDAY'S RESULT Pittsburgh AB R H BI SO AVG McCutchen dh 4 2 2 1 1 .239 Reynolds lf 4 1 2 2 1 .265 Gonzales 2b 4 0 1 0 1 .304 Tellez 1b 4 0 1 0 1 .212 Taylor cf 0 0 0 0 0 .204 Hayes 3b 4 1 1 0 1 .240 Joe rf-1b 4 0 1 0 1 .255 Suwinski cf-ff 3 1 1 2 0 .173 Triolo ss 3 0 0 0 2 .209 Davis c 2 0 0 0 2 .153 Grandal c 1 0 0 0 0 .165 TOTALS 33 5 9 5 10

Colorado AB R H BI SO AVG Blackmon rf 4 2 3 1 1 .266 Doyle cf 5 0 2 0 0 .268 Tovar ss 4 0 1 1 1 .292 McMahon 3b 4 0 0 0 2 .263 N.Jones lf 2 0 0 0 2 .167 Stallings c 3 0 1 0 0 .296 Toglia 1b 4 0 1 0 2 .164 Montero dh 4 0 0 0 1 .199 Amador 2b 4 0 0 0 0 .167 TOTALS 34 2 9 2 9

Pittsburgh 100 001 210 5 9 0 Colorado 000 010 001 2 9 0

LOB: Pittsburgh 2, Colorado 9. 2B: McCutchen (6), Blackmon 2 (16). 3B: Tovar (2). HR: Reynolds (9), off Feltner; McCutchen (9), off Feltner; Suwinski (6), off Feltner; Blackmon (3), off Bednar. RBIs: Reynolds 2 (38), McCutchen (21), Suwinski 2 (17), Tovar (33), Blackmon (26). SB: Hayes (5). Runners left in scoring position: Pittsburgh 1 (Tellez); Colorado 4 (McMahon, Montero 2, Toglia). RISP: Pittsburgh 2 for 5; Colorado 2 for 9. Runners moved up: Stallings. GIDP: Suwinski, Triolo, Hayes, Tovar. DP: Pittsburgh 2 (Gonzales, Triolo, Tellez; Joe, Davis, Joe); Colorado 3 (Amador, Tovar, Toglia; Tovar, Amador, Toglia; Amador, Tovar, Toglia).

PITTSBURGH IP H R ER BB SO ERA Mlodzinski 1 1 0 0 1 2 5.28 Ortiz, W, 3-2 5 7 1 1 0 3 2.51 Holderman, H, 11 1 0 0 0 1 0 0.76 Chapman 1 0 0 0 2 3 3.96 Bednar 1 1 1 1 0 1 5.52

COLORADO IP H R ER BB SO ERA Feltner, L, 1-6 6 7 4 4 1 8 5.71 Vodnik 1 1/2 2 1 1 0 2 3.26 Mears 1 0 0 0 0 0 7.06

Inherited runners-scored: Ortiz 1-0. WP: Vodnik. Umpires: Home, Rob Drake; First, D.J. Reyburn; Second, John Libka; Third, James Hoye. T: 2:34. A: 31,717(50,144).

Cincinnati 6, Milwaukee 5

FRIDAY'S RESULT Cincinnati AB R H BI SO AVG Friedl cf 5 2 3 2 0 .247 De La Cruz ss 4 1 2 1 0 .232 Candelario 3b 5 1 2 2 0 .242 Steer 1b 4 0 0 0 1 .236 Fraley dh 4 1 2 0 1 .288 Stephenson c 2 0 0 0 1 .251 Hurtubise lf 4 0 0 0 2 .196 India 2b 3 1 1 1 0 .241 Benson rf 4 0 0 0 1 .208 TOTALS 35 6 10 6 6

Milwaukee AB R H BI SO AVG Turang 2b 4 0 0 0 0 .289 Contreras c 5 2 2 1 2 .307 Yelich dh 4 1 2 0 1 .329 Adames ss 4 1 1 1 1 .246 Hoskins 1b 5 0 0 0 3 .225 1-Bauers pr 0 0 0 0 0 .209 Frelick rf 5 0 0 0 1 .252 Ortiz 3b 2 0 0 1 0 .282 Chourio lf 3 0 2 1 0 .229 Perkins cf 5 1 1 0 1 .254 TOTALS 37 5 8 4 9

Cincinnati 001 131 000 6 10 5 Milwaukee 001 011 002 5 8 0

1-ran for Hoskins in the 9th. E: De La Cruz 3(14), Candelario 2(10). LOB: Cincinnati 6, Milwaukee 13. 2B: Candelario (16), Fraley (8). 3B: De La Cruz (2). HR: Friedl (4), off Peralta; Candelario (12), off Peralta; Contreras (9), off Greene. RBIs: Friedl 2(15), India (28), De La Cruz (30), Candelario 2(33), Contreras (48), Adames (11), Ortiz (4), Chourio (23), SB: Fraley (18), India (6), Perkins (9), Yelich (13). Runners left in scoring position: Cincinnati 3 (Benson, Steer, Hurtubise); Milwaukee 8 (Contreras 2, Hoskins, Frelick 2, Perkins 3). RISP: Cincinnati 3 for 8; Milwaukee 1 for 16. GIDP: Candelario. DP: Milwaukee 2 (Turang, Adames, Hoskins; Adames, Frelick, Hoskins, Frelick).

CINCINNATI IP H R ER BB SO ERA Greene, W, 5-2 5 3 2 2 5 5 3.61 Martinez 1 0 1 0 1 1 4.42 J.Wilson, H, 7 1 0 0 0 1 2 5.17 Cruz, H, 13 1 2 0 0 1 3.69 Diaz, S, 15-17 1 3 2 1 0 1 5.47

MILWAUKEE IP H R ER BB SO ERA Peralta, L, 4-4 5 10 6 6 1 6 4.38 Milner 1/2 0 0 0 0 0 4.36 Hernandez 3 0 0 0 1 0 0.00

Inherited runners-scored: Milner 1-0. HBP: Peralta 2 (Stephenson, India). WP: Greene. Umpires: Home, Will Little; First, Chris Conroy; Second, Brennan Miller; Third, Derek Thomas. T: 2:47. A: 32,810(41,700).

Philadelphia 5, Baltimore 3

FRIDAY'S RESULT Philadelphia AB R H BI SO AVG Schwarber dh 5 1 2 2 2 .252 2-Merrifield pr-dh0 1 0 0 0 0 .193 Castellanos rf 5 0 0 0 1 .211 Harper 1b 4 1 0 0 2 .277 Bohm 3b 5 0 3 2 0 .292 Stott 2b 4 0 0 0 2 .238 Sosa ss 5 1 1 0 0 .281 Dahl lf 4 0 0 0 1 .217 1-Rojas pr-cf 0 0 0 0 0 .233 Pache cf-lf 3 0 0 0 1 .206 Marchan c 4 1 1 1 2 .125 TOTALS 39 5 7 5 11

Baltimore AB R H BI SO AVG Westburg 3b 4 0 1 0 0 .279 Rutschman dh 4 0 1 1 2 .294 Mountcastle 1b4 0 0 0 1 .271 a-O'Hearn ph-1b 1 0 0 0 0 .280 Henderson ss 4 0 1 0 2 .273 Santander rf 5 1 2 1 1 .224 Hays lf 4 0 1 0 1 .235 Mateo 2b 4 0 0 0 1 .236 b-Cowser ph 1 0 0 0 1 .228 McCann c 4 0 1 0 0 .206 c-Stowers ph 1 0 0 0 1 .286 Mullins cf 4 2 1 0 0 .186 TOTALS 40 3 8 2 11

Philadelphia 100 010 000 12 5 7 0 Baltimore 001 000 010 10 3 8 0

a-struck out for Mountcastle in the 10th. b-struck out for Mateo in the 11th. c-struck out for McCann in the 11th. 1-ran for Dahl in the 10th. 2-ran for Schwarber in the 11th. LOB: Philadelphia 6, Baltimore 10. 2B: Bohm (24), Mullins (5), Rutschman (9), Westburg (14). HR: Schwarber (14), off Bradish; Marchan (1), off Bradish; Santander (15), off Strahm. RBIs: Schwarber 2(43), Marchan (1), Bohm 2(54), Rutschman (51), Santander (38). Runners left in scoring position: Philadelphia 2 (Sosa 2); Baltimore 5 (Henderson, Stowers, Santander, Rutschman 2). RISP: Philadelphia 3 for 9; Baltimore 1 for 13. Runners moved up: Westburg, Hays. GIDP: McCann. DP: Philadelphia 1 (Sosa, Stott, Harper).

PHILADELPHIA IP H R ER BB SO ERA R.Suarez 6 1/2 6 1 1 2 6 1.77 Hoffman, H, 10 1/2 1 0 0 0 1 0.89 Strahm, BS, 0-2 1 1 1 1 0 0 0.96 Alvarado 1 0 0 0 0 0 3.30 Kerkering, W, 2-0 1 0 1 0 1 2 1.46 Dominguez, S, 1-2 1 0 0 0 0 2 4.56

BALTIMORE IP H R ER BB SO ERA Bradish 5 3 2 2 1 4 2.75 Akin 3 0 0 0 0 4 3.79 Kimbrel 1 1 0 0 0 1 2.49 Cano 1 1 0 1 0 1 2.32 Perez 1/2 1 0 0 0 0 3.79 Webb, L, 1-4 1 1 2 1 1 1 1.95 Inherited runners-scored: Hoffman 1-0, Perez 3-1. IBB: off Webb (Harper). HBP: Kerkering (Westburg). WP: Kerkering. Umpires: Home, Charlie Ramos; First, Lizz Diaz; Second, Mike Estabrook; Third, Trip Gibson. T: 2:59. A: 43,987(45,971).

ON THIS DATE

JUNE 15 1938: Four days after pitching a no-hitter against the Boston Braves, Johnny Vander Meer of the Cincinnati Reds pitched his second straight no-hit game, defeating the Dodgers 6-0 in the first night game played in Brooklyn. 1952: The St. Louis Cardinals, down 11-0 entering the fifth inning, came back for a 14-12 triumph over the New York Giants in the first game of a doubleheader and set a National League record for best comeback. 1992: Jeff Reardon broke Rollie Fingers' career save mark of 341 when he preserved a 1-0 victory for the Boston Red Sox with one scoreless inning against the New York Yankees. 2002: A double in the fifth inning of Texas' 4-0 loss to Houston gave Rafael Palmeiro 1,000 career extra-base hits. He became the 25th major leaguer to reach that mark. 2016: Atlanta's Freddie Freeman hit for the cycle in a 9-8, 13-inning win over Cincinnati. 2018: The Arizona Diamondbacks beat the staggering New York Mets 7-3. The freefalling Mets dropped four consecutive, 12 of 13 and 19 of 23. After starting the season 11-1, the Mets (28-38) went from 10 games over .500 to 10 games under earlier than any team in major league history. The previous mark was held by the 2011 Marlins, who did it in their 76th game. 2020: The impasse over the resumption of the MLB season gets deeper, as Commissioner Rob Manfred now states that there may not be a season at all. It was expected that he would decree a 50-game season, as allowed by the March 26th agreement between the MLBPA and owners, but he is now reluctant to do so.

Texas 3, L.A. Dodgers 1

THURSDAY'S RESULT Texas AB R H BI SO AVG Semien 2b 3 0 1 0 1 .258 J.Smith ss 3 1 2 0 1 .295 Garcia rf 3 2 2 0 1 .216 Lowe lb 3 0 0 1 1 .258 Langford lf 4 0 2 2 0 .238 Yates p 0 0 0 0 0 --- Heim c 3 0 0 0 1 .234 Jankowski dh-lf 2 0 0 0 1 .234 Duran 3b 4 0 0 0 2 .271 Taveras cf 4 0 0 0 0 .216 TOTALS 29 3 7 3 8

Los Angeles AB R H BI SO AVG Betts ss 4 0 1 0 1 .308 Ohtani dh 4 0 0 0 1 .306 Freeman 1b 4 0 1 0 1 .298 T.Hernandez lf 3 0 0 0 1 .259 Pages cf 4 1 2 1 1 .270 Heyward rf 4 0 0 0 2 .225 Lux 2b 3 0 0 0 0 .214 a-W.Smith ph 1 0 0 0 1 .294 Biggio 3b 1 0 0 0 0 .250 Barnes c 3 0 1 0 0 .222 TOTALS 31 1 5 1 8

Texas 201 000 000 3 7 0 Los Angeles 000 000 100 1 3 0

a-struck out for Lux in the 9th. LOB: Texas 6, Los Angeles 6. 2B: J.Smith (16). HR: Pages (7), off Lorenzen. RBIs: Lowe (20), Langford 2 (19), Pages (20). SB: Langford 2 (4). CS: Semien (1). S: J.Smith. Runners left in scoring position: Texas 4 (Garcia, Jankowski 2, Heim); Los Angeles 2 (W.Smith, Freeman). RISP: Texas 2 for 6; Los Angeles 0 for 5. Runners moved up: Lowe. GIDP: Duran, Langford, Barnes. DP: Texas 1 (J.Smith, Semien, Lowe); Los Angeles 3 (Betts, Freeman; Betts, Lux, Freeman; Barnes).

TEXAS IP H R ER BB SO ERA Lorenzen, W, 4-3 7 4 1 1 1 2 2.86 Robertson, H, 14 1 1 0 0 0 3 3.19 Yates, S, 10-10 1 0 0 0 1 3 1.11

LOS ANGELES IP H R ER BB SO ERA Grove, L, 4-3 3 2 2 0 0 5 0.99 Yarbrough 3 2 1 1 4 3 3.11 Ramirez 2 1 0 0 1 1 2.57 Treinen 1 1 0 0 0 2 0.00 Vesia 1 0 0 0 0 1 1.16 Phillips 1 0 0 0 1 1 2.04

HBP: Robertson (Biggio). Umpires: Home, Hunter Wendelstedt; First, John Tumpance; Second, Nick Mahrley; Third, Marvin Hudson. T: 2:31. A: 50,134(56,000).

Chicago White Sox 3, Seattle 2

THURSDAY'S RESULT Chicago AB R H BI SO AVG Lopez 2b 5 0 1 0 0 .233 Vaughn 1b 5 1 2 2 0 .227 Robert cf 4 1 1 1 0 .200 Sheets dh 4 0 0 0 0 .238 Benintendi lf 3 0 1 0 0 .196 DeJong ss 4 0 0 0 1 .232 Colas rf 4 0 3 0 0 .286 Lee c 4 1 0 0 2 .253 Mendick 3b 3 0 0 0 0 .207 c-DeLoach ph 1 0 0 0 1 .136 Sosa 3b 0 0 0 0 0 .224 TOTALS 37 3 8 3 4

Seattle AB R H BI SO AVG Crawford ss 3 0 0 0 2 .208 Moore 3b-2b 4 0 0 0 4 .208 Rodriguez cf 4 1 1 1 0 .268 Garver dh 4 0 0 0 0 .173 Haniger rf 4 0 0 0 2 .219 Locklear 1b 4 1 1 1 3 .250 Robles lf 3 0 1 0 1 .222 Rojas 3b 1 0 0 0 1 .258 Bliss 2b 2 0 0 0 2 .176 a-Raley ph-lf 2 0 0 0 0 .261 Zavala c 1 0 0 0 1 .154 b-Raleigh ph-c 1 0 0 0 1 .211 TOTALS 33 2 3 2 19

Chicago 002 000 000 1 3 8 0 Seattle 000 010 001 0 2 3 0

a-popped out for Bliss in the 8th. b-struck out for Zavala in the 8th. c-struck out for Mendick in the 10th. LOB: Chicago 8, Seattle 4. 2B: Robles (2). HR: Vaughn (8), off Hancock; Robert (7), off Hancock; Locklear (1), off Crochet; Rodriguez (6), off Kopecch. RBIs: Vaughn 2 (25), Robert (10), Locklear (2), Rodriguez (26). CS: Colas (1). Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 3 (Lee 2, Sheets); Seattle 3 (Crawford, Raley, Garver). RISP: Chicago 1 for 8; Seattle 0 for 9. Runners moved up: Vaughn. DP: Seattle 1 (Raleigh, Moore, Raleigh).

CHICAGO IP H R ER BB SO ERA Crochet 7 2 1 1 2 13 3.16 Brebbia, H, 8 1 0 0 0 0 2 6.12 Kopecch, W, 2-6 1 1 1 1 0 2 4.91 Banks, S, 2-5 1 0 0 0 0 2 4.73

SEATTLE IP H R ER BB SO ERA Hancock 7 6 2 2 2 1 4.79 Voth 1 0 0 0 0 0 3.18 Bazarro 1 1 0 0 0 2 5.19 Munoz, L, 2-3 1 1 0 0 1 1 1.61

IBB: off Munoz (Robert). Umpires: Home, Brian Knight; First, Chris Gudione; Second, Gabe Morales; Third, Ryan Addison. T: 2:28. A: 25,567 (47,929).

**NBA PLAYOFFS**

**NBA FINALS**

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**#1 Boston 3, #5 Dallas 1**

**G1:** June 6 at Boston 107-89.

**G2:** June 9 at Boston 105-98.

**G3:** June 12, Boston 106-99.

**G4:** Friday at Dallas, 122-84.

**G5:** Monday 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.

**Dallas 122, Boston 84**

**FRIDAY'S GAME 4 RESULT**

	FG	FT	REB						
BOSTON	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS		
Brown	27:19	3-12	3-4	0-1	2	3	10		
Tatum	27:04	4-10	6-6	0-5	3	4	15		
Horford	23:29	1-1	0-0	1-3	4	3	3		
Holiday	28:33	4-10	0-0	0-3	2	1	10		
White	30:43	2-8	0-0	0-4	1	2	6		
Pritchard	21:39	5-14	0-0	0-3	3	2	11		
Hauser	19:52	5-7	0-0	1-4	0	2	14		
Brissett	15:18	2-4	2-2	1-3	0	0	7		
Kornet	9:53	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0		
Mykhailiuk	9:53	1-7	0-0	0-1	0	0	3		
Springer	8:01	0-1	0-0	0-2	0	0	0		
Tillman	7:26	1-2	1-1	1-1	1	1	3		
Queta	5:25	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2		
Walsh	5:25	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	0		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>240:00</b>	<b>29-80</b>	<b>12-13</b>	<b>4-31</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>84</b>		

**Percentages:** FG .363, FT .923

**3-Point Goals:** 14-41, 341 (Hauser 4-6, Holiday 2-4, White 2-8, Brissett 1-1, Horford 1-1, Tatum 1-4, Brown 1-5, Mykhailiuk 1-5, Pritchard 1-6, Walsh 0-1)

**Team Rebounds:** 8

**Team Turnovers:** 1

**Blocked Shots:** 5 (Tatum 2, Brissett, Holiday, Queta)

**Turnovers:** 13 (Holiday 5, Tatum 3, Brown 2, Pritchard 2, Horford)

**Steals:** 2 (Horford, Tatum)

**Technical Fouls:** None

	FG	FT	REB						
DALLAS	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS		
Jones Jr.	16:44	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	3	5		
Washington	13:45	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	4	6		
Gafford	9:53	1-2	5-6	1-4	0	1	7		
Doncic	32:33	12-26	5-7	0-5	3	29			
Irving	30:41	10-18	0-0	1-4	6	1	21		
Kleber	23:13	1-2	2-2	0-1	1	0	5		
Lively II	22:20	4-5	2-4	7-12	0	0	11		
Green	18:15	1-2	1-3	2-5	1	0	3		
Exum	13:37	4-7	0-0	0-2	0	1	10		
Hardy	13:29	2-5	0-0	1-3	4	2	5		
Hardaway Jr.	12:00	5-7	0-0	0-3	1	0	15		
Morris	12:00	1-5	0-0	0-4	0	1	3		
Powell	8:04	0-0	0-0	1-3	2	1	0		
Lawson	8:01	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	2		
Prosper	5:25	0-2	0-0	0-2	1	0	0		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>240:00</b>	<b>46-91</b>	<b>15-22</b>	<b>32-52</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>122</b>		

**Percentages:** FG .505, FT .682

**3-Point Goals:** 15-37, 405 (Hardaway Jr. 5-7, Washington 2-3, Exum 2-4, Kleber 1-1, Lively II 1-1, Hardy 1-2, Jones Jr. 1-2, Morris 1-3, Irving 1-6, Doncic 0-8)

**Team Rebounds:** 13

**Team Turnovers:** 1

**Blocked Shots:** 2 (Gafford, Jones Jr.)

**Turnovers:** 8 (Washington 2, Doncic, Exum, Gafford, Irving, Morris, Powell)

**Steals:** 7 (Doncic 3, Exum, Green, Kleber, Lively II)

**Technical Fouls:** None

<b>Boston</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>Dallas</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>122</b>

**A:** 20,277 (19,200). **T:** 2:22

**NBA INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Through Thursday

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	111	64	302	30.2	
Maxey, PHI	6	66	25	179	29.8
Mitchell, CLE	10	107	53	296	29.6
Doncic, DAL	20	201	110	578	28.9
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	17	144	104	429	25.2
Brown, BOS	17	165	60	423	24.9
Middleton, MIL	6	55	27	148	24.7
Adebayo, MIA	5	48	15	113	22.6
Irving, DAL	20	171	60	451	22.6
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
Williams, OKC	10	75	22	187	18.7
DiVincenzo, NY	13	80	26	231	17.8
McCollum, NO	4	31	2	71	17.8
Lopez, MIL	6	44	8	106	17.7
White, BOS	17	103	33	298	17.5
Turner, IND	17	106	38	289	17.0
Herro, MIA	5	30	9	84	16.8
Reaves, LAL	5	30	17	84	16.8

**WNBA**

**EAST**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	11	1	.917	—
New York	11	2	.846	½
Atlanta	5	6	.455	5½
Chicago	4	8	.333	7
Indiana	4	10	.286	8
Washington	2	12	.143	10

**WEST**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	10	3	.769	—
Seattle	9	4	.692	1
Las Vegas	6	5	.545	3
Phoenix	6	7	.462	4
Los Angeles	4	9	.308	6
Dallas	3	8	.273	6

**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**

Minnesota 81, Los Angeles 76  
Washington 83, Chicago 81

**SATURDAY'S GAMES**

Connecticut at Dallas, 1 p.m.  
New York at Las Vegas, 3 p.m.

**SUNDAY'S GAMES**

Chicago at Indiana, 12 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 3 p.m.  
Seattle at Phoenix, 3 p.m.

**MONDAY'S GAME**

Dallas at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY'S RESULTS**

Indiana 91, Atlanta 84  
Seattle 92, Dallas 84

**WNBA LEADERS**

Through Wednesday

**SCORING**

NAME, TEAM	POS	GP	MIN	PTS
A'ja Wilson, LV	C	11	33.7	28.6
Arike Ogunbowale, DAL	G	11	39.1	26.2
Kahleah Copper, PHX	F	13	31.8	23.5
Napheesa Collier, MIN	F	12	34.8	20.8
Jewell Loyd, SEA	G	13	34.4	20.2
Dearica Hamby, LA	F	12	36.2	20.0
Breanna Stewart, NY	F	13	33.6	18.9
Jackie Young, LV	G	10	33.8	18.6
Kelsey Plum, LV	G	11	36.7	18.5
DeWanna Bonner, CON	F	12	32.3	18.4
Nneka Ogumike, SEA	F	10	31.9	18.1
Sabrina Ionescu, NY	G	13	32.5	17.8
Kalya McBride, MIN	G	12	33.1	17.8
Diana Taurasi, PHX	G	13	29.5	17.0
Rhynne Howard, ATL	G	11	32.4	16.2
Caitlin Clark, IND	G	14	32.7	15.6
Jonquel Jones, NY	F	13	29.8	15.5
Skyler Diggins-Smith, SEA	G	13	31.7	15.4
Kelsey Mitchell, IND	G	14	29.4	15.4
Marina Mabrey, CHI	G	11	33.7	15.1

**REBOUNDS**

NAME, TEAM	REB
A'ja Wilson, LV	11.7
Dearica Hamby, LA	11.4
Napheesa Collier, MIN	10.9
Alyssa Thomas, CON	10.1
Angel Reese, CHI	9.6

**ASSISTS**

NAME, TEAM	AST
Alyssa Thomas, CON	8.1
Natasha Cloud, PHX	7.5
Jackie Young, LV	6.4
Caitlin Clark, IND	6.0
Syler Diggins-Smith, SEA	5.8

**STEEALS**

NAME, TEAM	ST
Arike Ogunbowale, DAL	3.1
Rhynne Howard, ATL	2.5
Napheesa Collier, MIN	2.0
Breanna Stewart, NY	1.9
Angel Reese, CHI	1.9

**LIBERTY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday:** at Las Vegas, 3 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** 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.  
**August 15:** at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.  
**August 17:** at Las Vegas, 4 p.m.  
**August 20:** vs. Dallas, 7 p.m.  
**August 22:** vs. Dallas, 7 p.m.  
**August 24:** vs. Connecticut, 7 p.m.  
**August 28:** at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.  
**August 30:** at Seattle, 10 p.m.  
**September 5:** vs. Seattle, 7 p.m.  
**September 8:** vs. Las Vegas, 4 p.m.  
**September 10:** at Dallas, 8 p.m.  
**September 12:** at Dallas, 8 p.m.  
**September 15:** vs. Minnesota, 3 p.m.  
**September 17:** at Washington, 7 p.m.  
**September 19:** vs. Atlanta, 7 p.m.

**NHL PLAYOFFS**

**STANLEY CUP FINAL**

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Florida 3, Edmonton 0**

**G1:** June 8 at Florida 3-1.

**G2:** June 10 at Florida 4-1.

**G3:** Thursday Florida 4-3.

**G4:** Saturday at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

**x-G5:** Tuesday 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 4, Edmonton 3**

**THURSDAY'S GAME 3 RESULT**

<b>Florida</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Edmonton</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>

**First Period:** 1, Florida, Reinhart 9 (Barkov, Forsling), 18:58

**Penalties:** Nugent-Hopkins, EDM (Interference), 4:30; Barkov, FLA (Delay of Game), 9:55; Montour, FLA (Slashing), 14:46; Kulak, EDM (Roughing), 18:31; Tkachuk, FLA (Roughing), 18:31

# SPORTS CALENDAR

	SAT JUN15	SUN JUN16	MON JUN17	TUE JUN18	WED JUN19	THU JUN20	FRI JUN21
	<b>BOS</b> 7:15 P.M. CH. 5	<b>BOS</b> 7:00 P.M. ESPN		<b>BAL</b> 7:00 P.M. YES	<b>BAL</b> 7:00 P.M. PRIME	<b>BAL</b> 4:00 P.M. YES	<b>ATL</b> 7:00 P.M. APPLE
	<b>SD</b> 4:00 P.M. CH. 11	<b>SD</b> 1:30 P.M. CH. 11	<b>TEX</b> 8:00 P.M. SNY	<b>TEX</b> 8:00 P.M. SNY	<b>TEX</b> 8:00 P.M. SNY		<b>CHIC</b> 2:20 P.M. SNY
	<b>NASH</b> 7:30 P.M. APPLE				<b>MON</b> 7:30 P.M. APPLE		
					<b>L.A.</b> 10:30 P.M. APPLE		
	<b>LV</b> 3:00 P.M. CH. 7			<b>PHO</b> 10:00 P.M. CBSN		<b>L.A.</b> 7:00 P.M. CH. 9	

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

**2 p.m.:** Men's College World Series: NC State vs. Kentucky, Game 3, ESPN  
**7 p.m.:** Men's College World Series: Florida at Texas A&M, Game 4, ESPN  
**MLB**  
**2 p.m.:** St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, FS1  
**4 p.m.:** Mets vs. San Diego, CH. 11  
**4 p.m.:** Regional Coverage, MLB  
**7 p.m.:** Yankees at Boston, CH.5  
**10 p.m.:** White Sox at Arizona, FS1  
**NHL**  
**8 p.m.:** Stanley Cup Final: Florida at Edmonton, Game 4, CH.7  
**WNBA**  
**1 p.m.:** Connecticut at Dallas, CH.2  
**3 p.m.:** New York at Las Vegas, CH.7  
**BIG3**  
**4 p.m.:** Week 1: Triplets vs. Enemies, 3-Headed Monsters vs. Aliens, Ball Hogs vs. Tri-State, Bivouac vs. Trilogy, Ghost Ballers vs. Killer 3's, Power vs. 3's Company, CH.2  
**AUSTRALIAN RULES**  
**5:30 a.m.:** AFL: Sydney at Adelaide, FS2  
**2 a.m. (Sunday):** AFL: Port Adelaide at Greater Western Sydney, FS2  
**CFL**  
**7 p.m.:** Calgary at B.C., CBSN

**MEN'S**  
**Noon:** UEFA EURO 2024 Group Stage: Spain vs. Croatia, Group B, CH.5  
**3 p.m.:** USL League One: Madison at South Georgia, ESPN2  
**3 p.m.:** UEFA EURO 2024 Group Stage: Italy vs. Albania, Group B, Dortmund, Germany, CH.5  
**7:30 p.m.:** Red Bulls vs. Nashville, APPLE  
**WOMEN'S**  
**Noon:** NWSL: NJ/NY at Louisville, ESPN  
**7:30 p.m.:** NWSL: San Diego at Washington, ION  
**9:30 p.m.:** Angel City at Houston, ION

**YOUTH**  
**9:30 a.m.:** La Liga FC Futures U-12 Tournament: TBD, Final, Orlando, Fla.,

## AUTO RACING

**NASCAR CUP SERIES**  

P	MANUFACTURER	PTS	PB	W
1	Chevrolet	582	--	8
2	Toyota	574	-8	6
3	Ford	548	-34	2

DRIVER POINTS	ST	W	T5	T10	PT
Kyle Larson	15	3	7	8	561
Chase Elliott	16	1	6	8	547
Denny Hamlin	16	3	7	8	535

**ESPNU**  
**AUTO RACING**  
**Noon:** NASCAR Xfinity Series: Qualifying, Iowa Speedway, USA  
**1 p.m.:** NASCAR Cup Series: Qualifying, Iowa Speedway, USA  
**3:30 p.m.:** NASCAR Xfinity Series: The HyVee Perks 250, Iowa Speedway, USA  
**FISHING**  
**8 a.m.:** Bassmaster Elite Series: The 2024 Whataburger Bassmaster Elite, FS1  
**GOLF**  
**10 a.m.:** DP World/PGA Tour: The U.S. Open, Third Round, USA  
**Noon:** DP World/PGA Tour: The U.S. Open, Third Round, CH.4  
**3 p.m.:** LPGA Tour: The Meijer LPGA Classic, Third Round, GOLF  
**HORSE RACING**  
**12:30 p.m.:** NYRA: America's Day at the Races, FS2  
**LACROSSE MEN'S**  
**12:30 p.m.:** PLL: Boston at Philadelphia, CH.7  
**MIXED MARTIAL ARTS**  
**7 p.m.:** UFC Fight Night Prelims: Undercard Bouts, ESPN2  
**10 p.m.:** UFC Fight Night Main Card: Alex Perez vs. Tatsuro Taira (Flyweights), ESPN2  
**OLYMPIC TRIALS**  
**6:30 p.m.:** 2024 U.S. Summer Olympic Trials: Swimming - Qualifying Heats (Taped), USA  
**8 p.m.:** 2024 U.S. Summer Olympic Trials: Swimming - Finals, CH.4  
**RUGBY**  
**7 p.m.:** MLR: Seattle at Houston, FS1  
**TENNIS**  
**5 a.m.:** s-Hertogenbosch-ATP/WTA, Stuttgart-ATP Semifinals, TENNIS  
**6 a.m.:** s-Hertogenbosch-ATP/WTA, Stuttgart-ATP Semifinals, TENNIS  
**6 a.m. (Sunday):** s-Hertogenbosch-ATP/WTA, Stuttgart-ATP Finals, TENNIS

Tyler Reddick	16	1	6	10	512
Martin Truex Jr	16	0	4	7	508
William Byron	16	3	5	9	495
Brad Keselowski	16	1	7	8	466
Ty Gibbs	16	0	4	8	466
Christopher Bell	16	2	4	9	465
Ross Chastain	16	0	2	6	453
Alex Bowman	16	0	4	9	445
Ryan Blaney	16	0	4	6	444
Chris Buescher	16	0	3	7	412
Bubba Wallace	16	0	3	5	388

## GOLF

**USGA U.S. OPEN**  
**2nd of 4 rounds, Pinehurst No. 2; Pinehurst, N.C.; 7,548 yards; Par: 70**  
**SECOND ROUND LEADERS**  
**TOP SECOND-ROUND FINISHERS**  
**Par out** 444 453 443--35  
 Ludvig Aberg 434 443 453-34  
 Bryson DeChambeau 454 452 542-35  
 Thomas Detry 343 444 453-34  
 Patrick Cantlay 444 452 463-36  
**Par in** 544 443 434-35-70-140  
 Aberg 543 443 534-35-69-135  
 DeChambeau 643 344 433-34-69-136  
 Detry 533 353 434-33-67-136  
 Cantlay 554 444 434-35-71-136

**SECOND-ROUND SCORES**  
 Ludvig Aberg 66-69-135 -5  
 Patrick Cantlay 65-71-136 -4  
 Bryson DeChambeau 67-69-136 -4  
 Thomas Detry 69-67-136 -4  
 Tony Finau 68-69-137 -3  
 Rory McIlroy 65-72-137 -3  
 Matthieu Pavon 67-70-137 -3  
 Hideki Matsuyama 72-66-138 -2  
 Akshay Bhatia 68-71-139 -1  
 Zac Blair 70-69-139 -1  
 Corey Connors 69-70-139 -1  
 Tyrrell Hatton 68-71-139 -1  
 Tom Kim 71-68-139 -1  
 Xander Schauffele 70-69-139 -1  
 Tim Widing 71-68-139 -1  
 Sam Burns 73-67-140 E  
 Sergio Garcia 69-71-140 E  
 Russell Henley 70-70-140 E  
 Billy Horschel 73-67-140 E  
 Stephan Jaeger 70-70-140 E  
 Sam Bennett 69-72-141 +1  
 Frankie Capan 71-70-141 +1  
 Nicolas Echavarria 72-69-141 +1  
 Nicolai Hojgaard 72-69-141 +1  
 Seonghyeon Kim 69-72-141 +1  
 Taylor Pendrith 71-70-141 +1  
 Emiliano Grillo 70-72-142 +2  
 Brian Harman 71-71-142 +2  
 Chris Kirk 71-71-142 +2  
 Min Woo Lee 73-69-142 +2  
 Denny McCarthy 75-67-142 +2  
 Isaiah Sandina 70-72-142 +2  
 Adam Scott, Australia 70-72-142 +2  
 Sepp Straka, Austria 70-72-142 +2  
 Jackson Suber 69-73-142 +2  
 Davis Thompson 70-72-142 +2  
 Daniel Berger 73-70-143 +3  
 Christiaan Bezuidenhout 72-71-143 +3  
 Gunnar Broin 75-68-143 +3  
 Brian Campbell 73-70-143 +3  
 Harris English 70-73-143 +3  
 Mark Hubbard 74-69-143 +3  
 Martin Kaymer 70-73-143 +3  
 Si Woo Kim 71-72-143 +3  
 Matt Kuchar 72-71-143 +3  
 Aaron Rai 69-74-143 +3  
 Neal Shipley 70-73-143 +3  
 Cameron Smith 71-72-143 +3  
 Jordan Spieth 72-71-143 +3  
 Adam Svensson 73-70-143 +3  
 Keegan Bradley 74-70-144 +4  
 Wyndham Clark 73-71-144 +4  
 Austin Eckroat 72-72-144 +4  
 Collin Morikawa 70-74-144 +4  
 J.T. Poston 73-71-144 +4  
 David Puig 76-68-144 +4  
 Dean Burmester 74-71-145 +5  
 Luke Clanton 76-69-145 +5  
 Matt Fitzpatrick 73-72-145 +5  
 Tommy Fleetwood 70-75-145 +5  
 Ryan Fox, New Zealand 73-72-145 +5  
 Max Greysenman 71-74-145 +5  
 Brooks Koepka 70-75-145 +5  
 Ben Kohles 77-68-145 +5  
 Justin Lower 72-73-145 +5  
 Shane Lowry 74-71-145 +5  
 Tom McKibbin 74-71-145 +5  
 Francesco Molinari 73-72-145 +5  
 Scottie Scheffler 71-74-145 +5  
 Greyson Sigg 76-69-145 +5  
 Sahith Theegala 77-68-145 +5  
 Brendon Todd 74-71-145 +5  
 Brandon Wu 74-71-145 +5  
 Cameron Young 73-72-145 +5  
 Jackson Buchanan 76-70-146 +6  
 Eric Cole 73-73-146 +6  
 Nick Dunlap 73-73-146 +6  
 Max Homa 71-75-146 +6  
 Viktor Hovland 78-68-146 +6  
 Benjamin James 75-71-146 +6  
 Bryan Kim 72-74-146 +6  
 Frederik Kjettrup 72-74-146 +6  
 Robert Macintyre 70-76-146 +6  
 Brandon Robinson-Thompson 72-74-146 +6

Justin Rose 73-73-146 +6  
 Jason Scrivener 74-72-146 +6  
 Taisei Shimizu 71-75-146 +6  
 Parker Bell 77-70-147 +7  
 Adam Hadwin 77-73-147 +7  
 Rico Hoey 74-70-147 +7  
 Kurt Kitayama 73-74-147 +7  
 Peter Malnati 74-73-147 +7  
 Omar Morales 73-74-147 +7  
 Seamus Power 71-76-147 +7  
 Tiger Woods 74-73-147 +7  
 Jason Day 71-77-148 +8  
 Rickie Fowler 71-77-148 +8

Chesson Hadley 75-73-148 +8  
 Tom Hoge 75-73-148 +8  
 Ryo Ishikawa 76-72-148 +8  
 Eugenio Lopez-Chacarra 75-73-148 +8  
 Richard Mansell 78-70-148 +8  
 Taylor Moore 76-72-148 +8  
 Alex Noren 73-75-148 +8  
 Webb Simpson 75-73-148 +8  
 Nick Taylor 74-74-148 +8  
 Erik Van Rooyen 76-72-148 +8  
 Will Zalatoris 75-73-148 +8  
 Cameron Davis 77-72-149 +9  
 Dustin Johnson 74-75-149 +9  
 Sung Kang 74-75-149 +9  
 Logan McAllister 70-79-149 +9  
 Mac Meissner 72-77-149 +9  
 Edoardo Molinari 72-77-149 +9  
 Victor Perez 75-74-149 +9  
 Christopher Petefish 77-72-149 +9  
 Robert Rock 70-79-149 +9  
 Hiroshi Tai 75-74-149 +9  
 Joey Vrzich 76-73-149 +9  
 Beau Hossler 74-76-150 +10  
 Sungjae Im 74-76-150 +10  
 Takumi Kanaya 76-74-150 +10  
 Ashton McCulloch 75-75-150 +10  
 Gary Woodland 72-78-150 +10  
 Sam Birstow 84-67-151 +11  
 Harry Higgs 76-75-151 +11  
 Casey Jarvis 73-78-151 +11  
 Carter Jenkins 73-78-151 +11  
 Willie Mack 71-80-151 +11  
 Michael McGowan 77-74-151 +11  
 Gordon Sargent 73-78-151 +11  
 Adam Schenk 79-72-151 +11  
 Andrew Svoboda 75-76-151 +11  
 Justin Thomas 77-74-151 +11  
 Brendan Valdes 76-75-151 +11  
 Wells Williams 75-76-151 +11  
 Byeong Hun An 74-78-152 +12  
 Jake Knapp 75-77-152 +12  
 Adrian Meronk 76-76-152 +12  
 John Chin 75-78-153 +13  
 Santiago De La Fuente 78-75-153 +13  
 Grant Forrest 77-76-153 +13  
 Lucas Glover 74-79-153 +13  
 Jim Herman 74-79-153 +13  
 Stewart Hagestad 79-75-154 +14  
 Mackenzie Hughes 72-82-154 +14  
 Matteo Manassero 79-75-154 +14  
 Maxwell Moldovan 80-74-154 +14  
 Phil Mickelson 79-76-155 +15  
 Chris Naegel 81-74-155 +15  
 Carson Schaake 79-76-155 +15  
 Colin Prater 79-78-157 +17  
 Otto Black 79-80-159 +19  
 Rikuya Hoshino 78-81-159 +19  
 Riki Kawamoto 77-82-159 +19  
 Charles Reiter 80-80-160 +20

**MEIJER LPGA CLASSIC**  
**2nd of 4 rounds; Blythe Field Country Club; Belmont, Mich.; 6,556 yards; Par: 72**  
 Ally Ewing 70-63-133 -11  
 Grace Kim 68-65-133 -11  
 Na Rin An 67-68-135 -9  
 Nanna Koerstz Madsen 71-64-135 -9  
 Allisen Corpuz 68-68-136 -8  
 Lauren Hartlage 67-69-136 -8  
 Brooke Henderson 67-69-136 -8  
 Jin Hee Im 71-65-136 -8  
 Jing Yan 68-68-136 -8  
 Kristen Gillman 69-68-137 -7  
 Jiwon Jeon 69-68-137 -7  
 Alison Lee 65-72-137 -7  
 Alexa Pano 72-65-137 -7  
 Hinako Shibuno 69-68-137 -7  
 Athaya Thitikul 68-69-137 -7  
 Aditi Ashok 68-70-138 -6  
 Ayaka Furue 60-68-138 -6  
 Jennifer Kupcho 67-71-138 -6  
 Jeong Eun Lee 69-69-138 -6  
 Morgane Metraux 72-66-138 -6  
 Yuna Nishimura 69-69-138 -6  
 Ryann O'Toole 71-67-138 -6  
 Lizette Salas 67-71-138 -6  
 Natthakritta Vongtaveelap 71-67-138 -6  
 Celine Boutier 71-68-139 -5  
 Carlota Ciganda 67-72-139 -5  
 Daniela Darquea 67-72-139 -5  
 Mi Hyang Lee 73-66-139 -5  
 Hira Naveed 69-70-139 -5  
 Anna Nordqvist 72-67-139 -5  
 Bianca Pagdanganan 71-68-139 -5  
 Paula Reto 70-69-139 -5  
 Lexi Thompson 71-68-139 -5  
 Lilia Vu 69-70-139 -5  
 Weiwei Zhang 68-71-139 -5  
 Jaravee Boonchant 70-70-140 -4  
 Ashleigh Buhai 68-72-140 -4  
 Jennifer Chang 70-70-140 -4  
 Ssu-Chia Cheng 67-73-140 -4  
 Lindsey Duncan 68-72-140 -4  
 Isabella Fierro 72-68-140 -4  
 Nataliya Guseva 71-69-140 -4  
 Eun-Hee Ji 71-69-140 -4  
 Roberta Liti 70-70-140 -4  
 Malia Nam 71-69-140 -4  
 Yealimi Noh 73-67-140 -4  
 Kelly Tan 68-72-140 -4  
 Peiyun Chien 70-71-141 -3  
 Hye Jin Choi 69-72-141 -3  
 Maria Fassi 70-71-141 -3  
 Georgia Hall 70-71-141 -3  
 Muni He 71-70-141 -3

## ODDS

**NHL STANLEY CUP SATURDAY FAVORITE LINE UNDERDOG LINE**  
 at Edmonton -122 Florida +102  
**MLB SATURDAY**  
**American League**  
**FAVORITE LINE UNDERDOG LINE**  
 at Minnesota -184 Oakland +154  
 at Toronto off Cleveland off  
 Detroit -118 at Houston -100  
 NY Yankees -164 at Boston +138  
 at Seattle -142 Texas +120  
**National League**  
**FAVORITE LINE UNDERDOG LINE**  
 at Chicago Cubs -162 St. Louis +136  
 Miami -118 at Washington +100  
 San Diego -124 at NY Mets +106  
 at Milwaukee -174 Cincinnati +146  
 Pittsburgh -188 at Colorado +158  
**Interleague**  
**FAVORITE LINE UNDERDOG LINE**  
 at San Francisco -144 LA Angels +122  
 at Baltimore -178 Philadelphia +150  
 at Atlanta -158 Tampa Bay +134  
 at LA Dodgers -215 Kansas City +180  
 at Arizona off Chi. White Sox off  
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**COLLEGE BASEBALL**  
**COLLEGE WORLD SERIES**  
**At Charles Schwab Field; Omaha, Neb. (Double Elimination, x-if necessary)**  
**BRACKET 1**  
**Friday's results**  
**G1:** North Carolina 3, Virginia 2  
**G2:** Tennessee 12, Florida State 11  
**Sunday's games**  
**G3:** Virginia (46-16) vs. Florida State (47-16), 2 p.m. (loser eliminated)  
**G4:** North Carolina (48-14) vs. Tennessee (56-12), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, June 18**  
**G5:** G3 winner vs. G4 loser, TBD (loser eliminated)  
**Wednesday, June 19**  
**G6:** G4 winner vs. G5 winner, TBD (winner advances unless G7 needed)  
**Thursday, June 20**  
**x-G7:** G6 winner vs. G6 loser, TBD (winner advances)

**BRACKET 2**  
**Saturday's games**  
**G1:** Kentucky (45-14) vs. NC State (38-21), 2 p.m.  
**G2:** Texas A&M (49-13) vs. Florida (34-28), 7 p.m.  
**Monday's games**  
**G3:** G1 loser vs. G2 loser, 2 p.m. (loser eliminated)  
**G4:** G1 winner vs. G2 winner, 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, June 18**  
**G5:** G3 winner vs. G4 loser, TBD (loser eliminated)  
**Wednesday, June 19**  
**G6:** G4 winner vs. G5 winner, TBD (winner advances unless G7 needed)  
**Thursday, June 20**  
**x-G7:** G6 winner vs. G6 loser, TBD (winner advances)

**CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES (Best-of-3)**  
**Saturday, June 22:** Bracket 1 winner vs. Bracket 2 winner, 7:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, June 23:** Bracket 1 winner vs. Bracket 2 winner, 2 p.m.  
**x-Monday, June 24:** Bracket 1 winner vs. Bracket 2 winner, 7 p.m.

**COLLEGE WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS**  

Year	Champion (record)
2023	LSU (54-17)
2022	Ole Miss (42-23)
2021	Mississippi State (50-18)
2020	Canceled due to the pandemic
2019	Vanderbilt (59-12)
2018	Oregon State (55-12-1)
2017	Florida (52-19)
2016	Coastal Carolina (55-18)
2015	Virginia (44-24)
2014	Vanderbilt (51-21)
2013	x-UCLA (49-17)
2012	x-Arizona (48-17)
2011	x-South Carolina (55-14)
2010	South Carolina (54-16)
2009	LSU (56-17)
2008	Fresno State (47-31)
2007	x-Oregon State (49-18)
2006	Oregon State (50-16)
2005	x-Texas (56-16)
2004	Cal State Fullerton (47-22)
2003	Rice (58-12)
2002	x-Texas (57-15)
2001	x-Miami (Fla.) (53-12)
2000	x-LSU (52-17)
1999	x-Miami (Fla.) (50-13)
1998	Southern California (49-17)
1997	x-LSU (57-13)
1996	x-LSU (52-15)
1995	x-Cal State Fullerton (57-9)

x-team went undefeated in CWS play



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<b>BRAND NEW RE-DESIGNED CHEVROLET 2024 TRAVERSE</b>  <p>OVER 50 AVAILABLE!</p>	MSRP .....\$38,995 ATLANTIC / MILLENNIUM DISCOUNT .....-\$1,018 <b>FINANCE FOR</b> ..... Excludes tax, tags & title <b>\$37,977</b>	<b>2024 ALL WHEEL DRIVE TURBO ENGINE 3RD ROW SEATING GOOGLE BUILT-IN</b> <b>ONLY \$3,995 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$299</b> <small>Lease per month 24 Month Due at inception: \$3,995 down plus \$299 1st mos. payment Total \$4,294 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$30,337 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$47,995. Payment includes \$1,000 Chevy lease loyalty. Lease Conquest. Must have a current lease in same household.</small>	<b>2024 ALLOY WHEELS TURBO ENGINE 3RD ROW SEATING GOOGLE BUILT-IN</b> <b>ONLY \$1,995 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$359</b> <small>Lease per month 24 Month Due at inception: \$1,995 down plus \$359 1st mos. payment Total \$2,354 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$28,857 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$38,495. Payment includes \$1,000 Chevy lease loyalty. Lease Conquest. Must have a current lease in same household.</small>
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<b>BRAND NEW 2024 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 1500 • 4X4 • CREW CAB</b>  <p>OVER 130 AVAILABLE!</p>	MSRP .....\$50,475 FACTORY REBATE .....\$3,500 TRADE ASSISTANCE REBATE MUST TRADE IN A 2010 OR NEWER OWN VEHICLE .....\$2,250 ATLANTIC / MILLENNIUM DISCOUNT .....-\$4,748 <b>FINANCE FOR</b> ..... Excludes tax, tags & title <b>\$39,977</b> <b>\$10,498 SAVINGS!</b>	<b>2024 LT 4X4 20" ALLOY WHEELS CONVENIENCE PACKAGE ALL-STAR PACKAGE</b> <b>ONLY \$3,995 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$149</b> <b>MSRP \$55,295</b> <small>Lease per month 24 Month Due at inception: \$3,995 down plus \$149 1st mos. payment Total \$4,144 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$42,337 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$47,995. Payment includes GMF lease loyalty rebate \$2,500. Must currently lease a Chevy GMF in household.</small>	<b>2024 LT 4X4 CONVENIENCE PACKAGE ALL-STAR PACKAGE</b> <b>\$0 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$319</b> <b>MSRP \$54,495</b> <small>Lease per month 24 Month Due at inception: \$0 down plus \$319 1st mos. payment Total \$319 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$38,147 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$54,495. Payment includes GMF lease loyalty rebate \$2,500. Must currently lease a Chevy GMF in household.</small>
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<b>BRAND NEW 2024 CHEVROLET BLAZER EV ALL-WHEEL DRIVE</b>  <p>OVER 30 AVAILABLE!</p>	MSRP .....\$50,195 GM ULTIMUM PROMISE REBATE .....\$7,500 CONQUEST REBATE (must own or lease a 2010 or newer non-gm vehicle in same household) .....\$1,500 <b>FINANCE FOR</b> ..... Excludes tax, tags & title <b>\$41,195</b>	<b>2024 ALL WHEEL DRIVE COMFORT PACKAGE CONVENIENCE PACKAGE CONFIDENCE PACKAGE</b> <b>ONLY \$3,495 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$99</b> <small>Lease per month 24 Month Due at inception: \$3,495 down plus \$99 1st mos. payment Total \$3,594 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$41,160 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$50,195. Payment includes \$2,500 Lease Conquest. Must have a current non-gm lease in same household.</small>	<b>2024 ALL WHEEL DRIVE COMFORT PACKAGE CONVENIENCE PACKAGE CONFIDENCE PACKAGE</b> <b>\$0 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$239</b> <small>Lease per month 24 Month Due at inception: \$0 down plus \$239 1st mos. payment Total \$239 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$41,160 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$50,195. Payment includes \$2,500 Lease Conquest. Must have a current non-gm lease in same household.</small>
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<b>BRAND NEW 2024 CHEVROLET TAHOE 4X4</b>  <p>MSRP <del>\$61,470</del></p>	<b>ONLY \$3,995 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$589</b> <small>Lease per month 36 Month Due at inception: \$3,995 down plus \$589 1st mos. payment Total \$4,584 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$58,492 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$61,470.</small>
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<b>BRAND NEW 2024 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 4X4</b>  <p>MSRP <del>\$65,490</del></p>	<b>ONLY \$4,995 DOWN PAYMENT!</b> <b>\$629</b> <small>Lease per month 36 Month Due at inception: \$4,995 down plus \$629 1st mos. payment Total \$5,624 plus tax &amp; tags. Purchase option \$61,164 - 10K Miles per yr. MSRP \$65,490.</small>
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