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Adrien Brody wins for "The Brutalist." At right, "Anora" director Sean Baker and Mikey Madison nab two other coveted awards.

'ANORA' ROMPS AT OSCARS

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EGGS BREAK THE BANK!

\$12 per dozen hits shoppers, bodegas and takes bite out of bacon, egg & cheese sales

With prices in some city delis hitting a buck an egg, many New Yorkers are scrambling for other options.

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Mayoral candidate Andrew Cuomo speaks at Council of Carpenters Union Hall downtown on Sunday.



Andy raps progressives

Says 'don't need stats,' cutting cop funds 'dumb'

BY RONI JACOBSON

AND JOHN ANNESE

NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Mayoral candidate and former Gov. Andrew Cuomo took sharp aim at progressives during a Sunday stop on what he hopes will be his political comeback tour.

"We are here today for one reason: We love New York, and we know New York is in trouble," Cuomo said Sunday, a day after he announced in a video that he'd be entering the Democratic primary for mayor.

"We don't need stats, you can feel it," Cuomo said, speaking at the New York City District Council of Carpenters Union Hall in downtown Manhattan. "When you walk down the street and see the homeless mentally ill. When you walk into the subway and can feel the anxiety rise up in

your chest."

Cuomo added, "These politicians now wanting to be mayor made a terrible, terrible mistake. They uttered the three dumbest words ever uttered by a government official: 'Cut police funding.'"

Cuomo, who resigned as governor in 2021 amid sexual harassment allegations, enters a crowded field to challenge Mayor Adams, who's been embroiled in scandals surrounding his federal corruption indictment last September.

The mayoral hopefuls include city Comptroller Brad Lander, former Comptroller Scott Stringer, Queens Assemblyman Zohran Mamdani, former Bronx Assemblyman Michael Blake and state Sens. Zellnor Myrie of Brooklyn and Jessica Ramos of Queens.

Progressive politicians pushed in 2020 for slashing at least \$1

billion from the NYPD's budget in favor of reallocating more resources for social services, after the city and the nation was rocked by the police murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

Under Adams, crime overall dropped this year compared with when he took office in January 2022, but remains higher than prepandemic rates and when compared with all of former Mayor Bill de Blasio's eight years in office, NYPD data show.

On Sunday, Cuomo also challenged "these democratic socialist candidates that released a wave of antisemitism throughout our city," referring to 2024 pro-Palestine protests.

The 20,000-member carpenters union made official its endorsement of Cuomo, just days after Politico reported the labor union would likely line up behind the former governor.

Cuomo resigned as governor after being accused of sexually harassing 13 women, allegations the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division corroborated in a bombshell settlement last year. Cuomo has denied committing any misconduct.

He seemed to obliquely reference the scandal during the Sunday event, saying: "You hit a tough spot in life, which is inevitable that something is going to happen, and you hit that tough spot, and you know what? Then you really find out who your friends are."

He's also faced harsh criticism over his decision to understate the number of New Yorkers who died from COVID-19 in nursing homes in the state after he enacted a policy in early 2020 prohibiting such facilities from denying entry for residents diagnosed with the virus.

Man, 65, dies in Qns. fire; burned e-bike found at site

BY JULIAN ROBERTS-GRMELA
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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A 65-year-old man is dead after a fire broke out in a Queens home Sunday morning — and firefighters found a burned e-bike at the scene, authorities said.

The blaze started just before 11 a.m. in the two-story house on 146th St. near Foch Blvd. in Jamaica and quickly spread to three alarms.

A woman in the neighborhood recalled hearing three loud “explosions” before the flames erupted.

“A whole lot of black smoke, and

then you see some flames,” said a resident on the block. “I feel sorry for the people that was there.”

Firefighters found the victim unconscious inside and took him to Jamaica Hospital, but he couldn’t be saved, according to an NYPD spokesman.

A neighbor told the Daily News the victim had been in poor health, often confined to his home where he relied on an oxygen tank to assist with his breathing. His name was not immediately released.

The cause of the blaze remains under investigation.

FDNY Assistant Chief Michael Meyers told reporters Sunday that firefighters found an e-bike “that had

burned through,” but were still determining if it started the blaze.

“Even if it wasn’t the cause of the fire, it probably definitely contributed to the fire condition,” he said. “And it might have been the catalyst for what happened in the beginning when the fire first started to burn.”

Firefighters also found four propane tanks, the kinds typically used in grills, but none of them exploded in the blaze, he said.

Five people, three of them firefighters, suffered minor injuries in the blaze, FDNY officials said.

The blaze spread to several sheds before firefighters brought it under control just before 12:10 p.m.

Firefighters hose down blaze that started just before 11 a.m. at a two-story house on 146th St. near Foch Blvd. in Jamaica.
THEODORE PARISIENNE/NYDN

TRIAL REFORM ROLLBACK PUSH

Groups repping crime victims, retailers back easing new discovery rules

BY MOLLY CRANE-NEWMAN
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A coalition of New York City community organizations is expected Monday to side with Gov. Hochul and the city’s district attorneys in the debate over proposed rollbacks to state discovery reforms — launching a campaign lobbying lawmakers to give prosecutors more time to provide evidence to those accused of crimes.

Retired Manhattan Judge Harris Kluger, the CEO of Sanctuary for Families who’s heading a coalition of 30 community groups largely representing crime victims and city retailers, said in a statement to the Daily News his group believes the governor’s proposed rollbacks “represent a necessary course correction.”

“Her proposal continues to advance transparency while ensuring cases are not dismissed over minor technicalities that

have no impact on fairness. Survivors deserve a legal system that delivers justice,” Kluger’s statement declared. “The Legislature must act now.”

If passed by the New York Legislature, Hochul’s sweeping proposal would, among other changes, hand discretion back to prosecutors from judges regarding what — and when — information defendants are entitled to while a criminal case makes its way to trial.

Since the reforms went into effect in 2020, prosecutors who for years were not required to provide evidence to defendants until the eve of trial have faced the prospect of cases being thrown out if they didn’t adhere to strict deadlines for evidence production.

The governor and the city’s DAs have blamed the reforms for thousands of cases being dismissed on technicalities and people circling back through the criminal

justice system. They’ve pointed to data showing the case dismissal rate in 2023, including felonies and misdemeanors, was 62% compared with 42% in 2019.

Public defender groups and legal scholars who recently urged state legislators to reject the rollbacks say authorities are misattributing data.

They’ve pointed to figures showing that increased dismissals have only occurred in the city — not statewide — and say conviction rates in 2019 were artificially inflated due to unfair threats and pleas coerced from defendants by prosecutors.

In a letter to state lawmakers last week, more than 80 law professors urged them to reject the proposal, warning New York’s justice system would be returned to an era when defendants fought their cases in the dark.

“New Yorkers could not make informed decisions about their cases, investigate

adequately, weigh plea offers, secure exculpatory evidence, or meaningfully prepare for trial before the last minute,” they wrote.

The coalition backing the rollbacks includes, among others, the Citizens Crime Commission, the Times Square Alliance, DC 37, the Bodega and Small Business Group, the New York State Federation of Taxi Drivers and Women’s Equal Justice. It plans to launch its campaign supporting Hochul’s proposal Monday.

“This broad coalition represents New Yorkers and the justice system they want to see: fair, functioning and centered around survivors of crime,” Manhattan DA Alvin Bragg said in a statement.

“I thank the coalition members, and particularly chair Judge Judy Harris Kluger, who knows firsthand the impact that unnecessary case dismissals can have on survivors.”

'SHELLING' OUT BIG BUCKS HURTS BIZ

Small shops see sharp drop in sales of anything with eggs



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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

There used to be a time when customers at the Sandwich Spot Deli in Flatbush would buy a bacon, egg and cheese sandwich just to save a couple of bucks.

It was a budget-friendly option to the roast beef and cheddar, or the popular turkey and Swiss. Not anymore, not since the cost of eggs has soared beyond the price of

the golden ones that a certain goose once laid.

"A carton of eggs right now is like \$12," said Abod Ali, 22, who makes sandwiches at the Flatbush Ave. Sandwich Spot. "It's going up like crazy. I can't even make bacon, egg and cheese; sausage, egg and cheese, omelets; all that."

Previously, a bacon egg and cheese sandwich at the deli would cost \$4 or \$5, he said. Ali said he used to sell about 100 of the sandwiches every day. Now he's only selling about 30.

"It dropped like crazy," he said. "If they don't find a solution to this, I'll just buy a

whole bunch of chickens and put them in the basement, figure something out."

The egg price crisis, brought on by the bird flu epidemic, has cooked up some creative solutions. To boil down the sticker shock, several bodegas in the Bronx started selling eggs "loosie" style — several eggs at a time — the same way they do with cigarettes.

When customers at the corner stores balked at paying \$12 or more for a dozen eggs, store owners began selling them in smaller quantities. At Pamela's Green Deli in Morrisania, owner Radhames Rodriguez is selling three eggs in a plastic bag for \$2.99.

"I've been in business for 40 years, and

I've never seen the eggs so high like that," Rodriguez told CBS.

He said the idea came to him after seeing customers leave full cartons of eggs on the counter.

"If you have \$20 and you want to make breakfast for two or three people, and you're already spending \$12 for one item, something," he said, "how are they going to buy the bread, the milk, the butter and all that stuff?"

The nationwide average for egg prices isn't as high as it is in New York, but consumers across the country are still reeling from sticker shock.



Abod Ali says sales of egg sandwiches at the Flatbush, Brooklyn, deli he manages have dropped more than 50% since the bird flu outbreak sent egg prices soaring. In Manhattan store (left), shelves are packed as fewer eggs are moving.

Data from the most recent consumer price index show that prices for a dozen Grade A eggs in U.S. cities jumped 15% in the month of January alone to an average of \$4.95, shattering the previous record of \$4.82 from two years ago.

Over the past year, egg prices have increased 53% and have more than doubled from a low reached in August 2023.

The price jump has not gone unnoticed at the White House, where President Trump mentioned the increase during his first cabinet meeting.

"Eggs are a disaster," Trump said. "The secretary of agriculture is going to

be showing you a chart that's actually mind-boggling, what's happened. How low they were with us [in the first Trump term], how high they are now. I think we can do something about it."

With the price of eggs reaching record highs, the Trump administration is looking into importing more eggs from other countries and increasing funding for efforts to fight the spread of avian flu, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

That would be good news for Joan Sheridan, 68, of Bay Ridge, a retired dental hygienist who said she somehow

manages to make a dozen eggs last a whole month.

"I'm still eating the same amount," she said. "I eat them on the weekends, scrambled, sometimes hard-boiled. It bothers me because prices are high, and I'm on a fixed income. But it's still not inhibiting me from buying it. I just eat it on the weekends because it's like a luxury."

She said she bought a dozen eggs recently for about \$10.

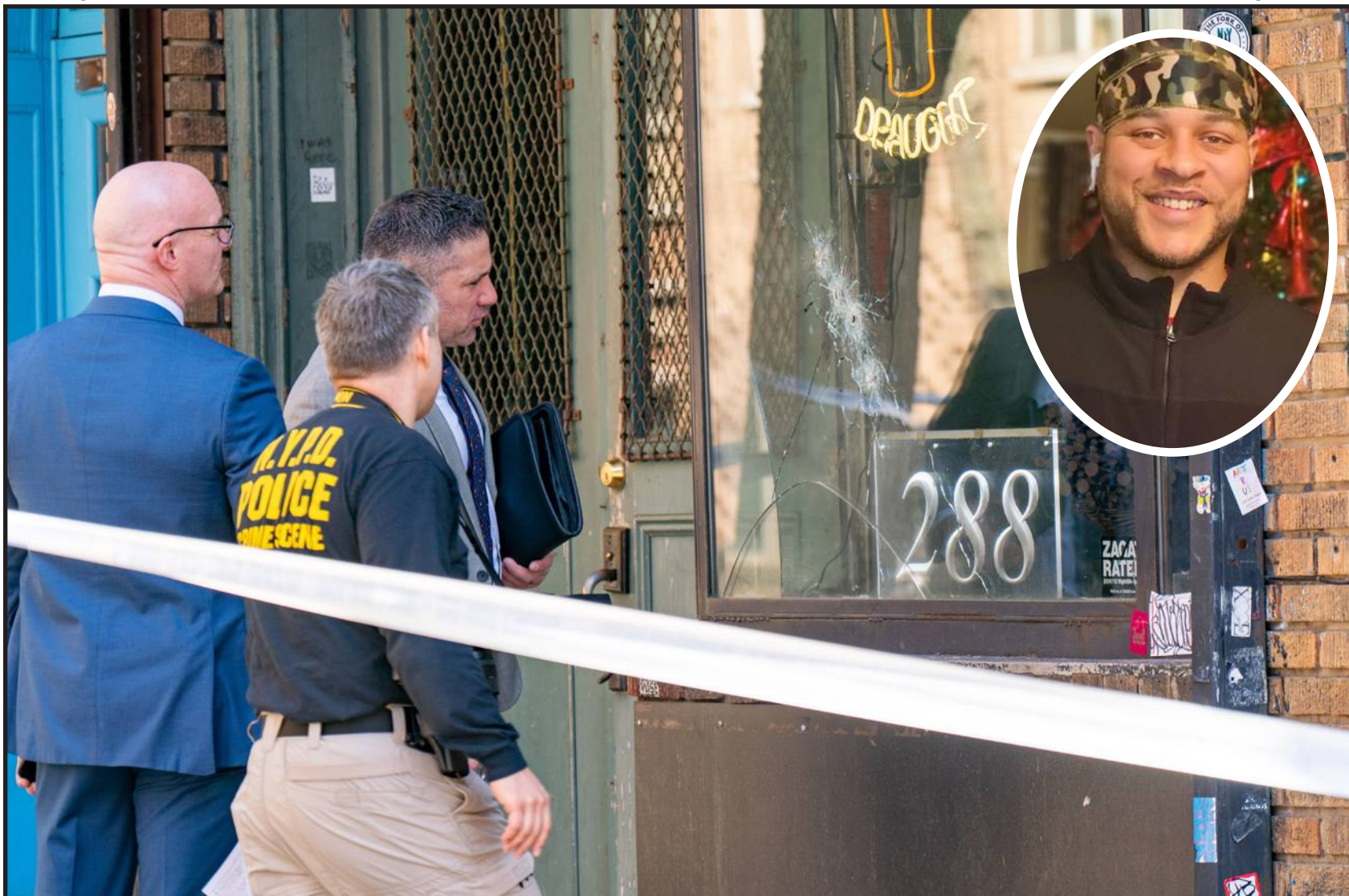
That's a dollar more than they were going for at the Smoke Shop Deli and Grocery in Flatbush. Customers there

were paying about half that price just three months ago, said deli clerk Jordy Ortiz.

"Everybody's struggling. I'm just hoping that it comes down," Ortiz said. "Sometimes the customers look at the pricing of the eggs, and they'll leave it there. But sometimes they ask us, 'Why is it so high?' So I have to explain the best that I can that it's not us. I mean, obviously we do set the pricing, but it's because the market also has increased the pricing on us."

But the egg news Ortiz gives his customers isn't all bad.

He said a bacon, egg and cheese sandwich there is still five bucks.



Bouncer Anton Albert, 39 (inset), was fatally shot at Tom & Jerry's bar (main, police at scene) on Elizabeth St. in NoHo over the weekend, apparently by a gunman who had just been tossed out. Police said Albert lived in Arden Heights, S.I. THEODORE PARISIENNE / NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

'We're really suffering'

Kin in pain after bouncer slain while doing extra work to support family

BY REBECCA WHITE
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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A bouncer fatally shot when witnesses said a disgruntled patron opened fire into a Manhattan bar was moonlighting to earn extra money for his family, devastated relatives told the Daily News.

Anton Albert, 39, was working inside Tom & Jerry's on Elizabeth St. near E. Houston St. in NoHo at about 3:20 a.m. Saturday when the gunman, who was outside on the street, started shooting into the bar, according to police.

Witnesses previously told The News the belligerent shooter had just been tossed from the bar.

Albert was struck twice in the chest and once in the stomach by the flying bullets. He was rushed to Bellevue Hospital, but he could not be saved.

"By the time [Albert's mother] got the

call and went to the hospital, my nephew already had passed," said the victim's aunt, Dominique Albert. "It hadn't hit her yet."

Albert, who cops said lived in the Arden Heights neighborhood of Staten Island, had last visited his mother's Brooklyn home on Friday, where the tight-knit family would often spend Sunday evenings together.

"She was getting ready to go out, and he told her, 'Ma, have a good time and I'll catch up with you later,' and then that was the last that she saw her son alive," said Dominique Albert. "It's a shame that you go to work and this is what happens just doing your job."

Instead of spending Sunday together — with Albert planning to cook dinner for his mother — the family was left to mourn, struggling with the unimaginable loss.

"She's totally devastated," Dominique Albert said of the man's mother. "The family, we're really suffering. This is so

unexpected and it's so painful. It's really difficult to deal with."

Albert worked in an office during the week and as a bouncer to pull in extra money, according to his aunt.

"He was doing everything positive," she said. "A hardworking family man, a hardworking father, good son, good nephew, good grandson. There's nothing bad you could say about my nephew."

Albert leaves behind a 9-year-old daughter, with whom he had "a very close relationship," Dominique Albert said.

"She's with her mother, but she's in a lot of pain right now," said Albert's heartbroken grandmother, Pearlie Axson, 78. "It's so unexpected, and she keeps asking for her dad."

The woman remembered Albert as a "happy-go-lucky" child with a natural talent for music, even producing a couple of his own CDs.

"I just want everybody to know that he

was a loving, caring son, brother, nephew, father, husband," said Dominique Albert. "He was a little bit of everything. But he was someone that when you were around him, you knew you were going to laugh, have a good time."

Albert's grandmother echoed the sentiment, remembering her grandson as "a good kid."

"I loved him dearly," said Axson. "He's always been a good kid. We've always been there for each other. He and I were very close."

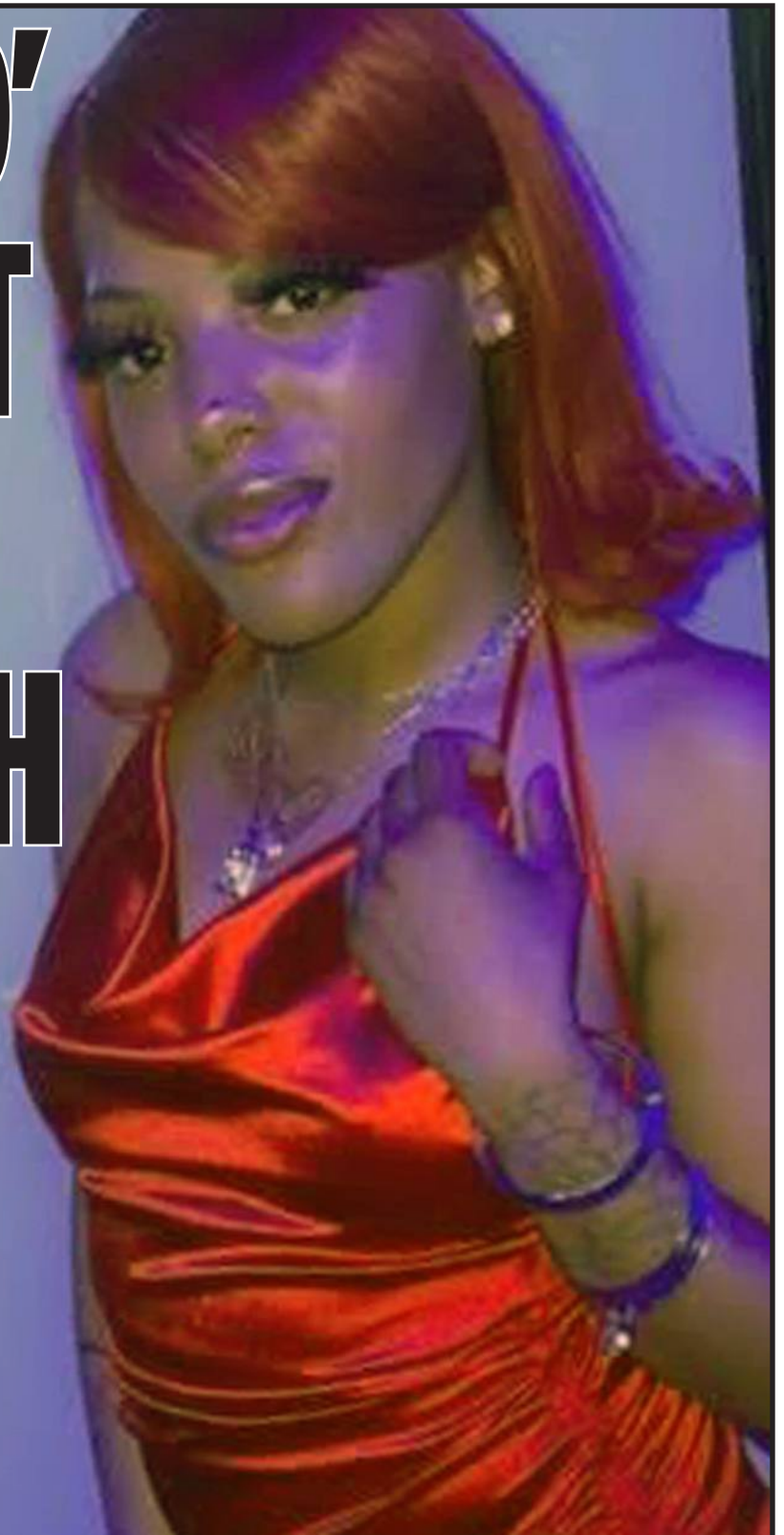
There were no arrests as police continued to hunt down the gunman, who was described as Hispanic and wearing a grey hoodie, dark pants and white shoes. He was last seen running off down E. Houston St. after the fatal gunfire.

"We don't know who the suspect is, but we're certainly hoping that the police is able to find him and bring him to justice," said Axson. "This was totally devastating and totally unnecessary."

'DEVASTATED' MA RAGES AT DAUGHTER'S CRASH DEATH

Says unlicensed driver deserves max after killing 'light of family'

Imani Vance was killed when car she was riding in smashed into a school bus in Brownsville, Brooklyn, on Thursday. COURTESY OF FAMILY



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The mother of a woman killed when an unlicensed driver crashed his Mercedes-Benz into a school bus in Brooklyn is calling for justice after police said the driver fled the scene in a taxi, leaving her daughter to die in the front seat.

"He killed my baby," charged Lakita Vance, whose daughter died in the crash last week. "He killed my baby and he left her."

Tyree Epps, 32, was speeding south in a 2008 Mercedes-Benz C300 on Van Sinderen Ave. in Brownsville when police say he zoomed through a stop sign at Blake Ave. at about 1 p.m. Thursday.

He plowed into the rear driver's side of

an eastbound 2019 Blue Bird school bus, sending it careening into a parked box truck, according to police.

After the crash, Epps hopped in a taxi and took off, leaving his 26-year-old passenger, Imani Vance, in the front seat suffering severe head trauma, cops said.

Medics rushed her to Brookdale University Hospital, but she couldn't be saved. The 57-year-old woman driving the school bus was taken to Kings County Hospital in stable condition.

Police later arrested Epps, who lives in East New York. He is being charged with manslaughter, criminally negligent homicide, leaving the scene of a fatal crash and driving without a license.

"In my heart of all hearts, I feel like once he crashed and he realized Imani had no sign of life he ran," said Vance's cousin, Latasha Vance. "I don't think he ran because he got into the accident. I

think he ran because he realized that accident killed Imani."

Vance's desolate family believes she had just met Epps, who offered her a ride to her best friend's apartment. The victim's family had never heard of him before the crash.

"I'm just devastated," said Lakita Vance. "Imani was a beautiful person. She brightened up every room she walked in."

Now the family is grappling with funeral arrangements for the young woman.

"We gonna end up having to bury a 26-year-old person that was full of life," said Latasha Vance. "Everybody loved her, everybody. She got along with people and she ended up with the wrong end of the deal, just trying to get to know people."

Epps was arraigned in Brooklyn Criminal Court on Friday and ordered held without bail.

"He needs to be in jail," Vance's mother

said of Epps. "He needs to be charged with the highest crime that he could be charged with."

The devastated mother described Vance as "the love of my life."

"That's my oldest daughter — my first born," she said. "My life is never gonna be the same. I just hope my heart is not gonna stop, because of the stress."

Vance had recently returned to the city in November after a move to Virginia.

"That's too far away, so she came back home," said the mom. "Her death was tragic. It broke our family."

Vance had dreams of enrolling in nursing school as she worked three jobs — in a hospital, at a Starbucks and as a security officer.

"Imani was the light of the family," said Latasha Vance. "She was the party. She was the person that when you're down, she makes you happy."

'Most beautiful soul gone'

R&B star Angie Stone, 63, dies in Ala. crash on way to Atlanta show

Angie Stone at 2018 concert in Detroit celebrating life of "Queen of Soul" Aretha Franklin. Stone, an acclaimed neosoul star, died in car crash Saturday. She released her debut album, "Black Diamond," in 1999. Her second album, "Mahogany Soul," marked peak of Stone's commercial success. GETTY



BY JOSEPH WILKINSON
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Angie Stone, whose powerful voice made her an acclaimed star of the neosoul movement, was killed in a car crash Saturday morning in Alabama. She was 63.

Stone was riding in a Sprinter van when it collided with a tractor trailer on Interstate 65 near Montgomery, state police said. The other eight people in the van were hospitalized with various injuries.

"Never in a million years did we ever expect to get this horrible news," Stone's children, Diamond Stone and Michael Archer, said in a statement. "Our mom is and will always be our everything. We are still trying to process and are completely heartbroken."

Stone and her team were returning to Atlanta after a performance in Mobile, Ala., according to her representatives. The crash happened around 4 a.m. Saturday when the van "flipped over and was subsequently hit by a big rig," Stone's manager Walter Millsap told The Associated Press.

The truck was driven by a 33-year-old

man from Texas, authorities said. He and the other passengers in the Sprinter van have not been publicly identified.

"We are truly devastated by this unexpected and unfortunate tragedy, and there are simply no words to express how we feel," Millsap said.

Born Dec. 18, 1961, in Columbia, S.C., Angie Stone was a singer from a young age. She first performed in front of an audience while singing gospel music at First Nazareth Baptist Church.

She broke into the music industry as a teenage member of the all-female rap group the Sequence, which was signed to the trailblazing label Sugar Hill Records. The group's biggest hit was "Funk You Up," considered one of the first hits for a female rap group.

But Stone's biggest successes came as a solo artist. She released her debut album, "Black Diamond," in 1999. Its lead single, "No More Rain (In This Cloud)," hit No. 9 on the Billboard R&B chart.

Her second album, "Mahogany Soul," marked the peak of Stone's commercial

success. Two of its songs — "Brotha" and "Wish I Didn't Miss You" — hit the Billboard Hot 100. But beyond its commercial success, the album was praised for the way it called on soul classics but still provided a new and powerful sound.

"Her songs have the stop-the-presses brilliance of R&B classics. They're the kind of numbers anyone from any genre would clamor to cover," Daily News music critic Jim Farber wrote at the time. "Stone's voice holds everything together."

Stone released eight more albums, most recently 2023's "Love Language," which reached various amounts of commercial success but received consistent critical praise. The biggest single of the bunch was 2007's "Baby" alongside soul legend Betty Wright.

"That was a blessing in itself," Stone told the AP in 2007. "I was honored; I was overwhelmed. She was actually in L.A. at the time I was recording the album. She walked in the room to hang out and see what I was doing. And the rest was

history. It was honestly something that just happened."

At the peak of her fame in the early 2000s, Stone also appeared in several films such as 2002's "The Hot Chick" and 2003's "The Fighting Temptations." She later popped up for brief appearances in "Scary Movie V" and "Ride Along" and starred on reality shows "Celebrity Fit Club" and "R&B Divas: Atlanta."

Stone was on her way back to Atlanta to perform in the halftime show of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship men's basketball game on Saturday. Virginia State defeated Bluefield State to claim the title in the historically Black league.

"I could not believe it when I received the call that the most beautiful soul is now gone," said Claude Villani, CEO of Stone's label, SRG-ILS Group. "The Angie I knew was always a beam of light and superpositive; her contribution to hip hop and R&B is cemented in our collective consciousness."

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City official, fearing DOGE, refused to sign on to migrant funding suit



BY CHRIS SOMMERFELDT
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

In the days before New York City sued President Trump for seizing a tranche of migrant crisis funding, a chaotic series of events unfolded inside Mayor Adams' administration, ending with a senior official abruptly leaving his City Hall job after refusing to get involved in the court case for fear he'd become a Trump target, the Daily News has learned.

The episode — described by sources directly familiar with the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity due to concerns about retaliation — highlights how Trump's return to power has sown fear among career public servants, not just on the federal level, but in city government, too.

Trump's administration plucked the \$80 million in Federal Emergency

Management Agency funding out of city government bank accounts on Feb. 12, claiming incorrectly the money was being illegally spent on housing migrants in "luxury hotels."

Adams' office responded by saying it was considering legal action to recoup the FEMA cash, which was allocated to provide shelter and services for some of the tens of thousands of migrants, most of them Latin Americans, who have arrived in the city since spring 2022.

In order to file suit, someone from Adams' Office of Management and Budget needed to sign a sworn declaration attesting to the allegedly illegal nature of the clawback.

But no one within the budget unit wanted to put their name on the document, fearful that if they did they would land in the crosshairs of Trump's efforts to punish

local government officials who stand in his way, sources told The News. The sources believed Jacques Jiha, Adams' budget director who runs OMB, wanted someone else to sign because he himself feared retaliation.

Specifically, the sources said OMB officials were scared they'd land on the radar of Elon Musk, the billionaire whose Department of Government Efficiency team first spread the claim that the city was spending the funds on luxury hotel rooms.

Musk, who's known to attack critics on the X social media platform he owns, has been granted extraordinary powers by Trump to tighten the federal government's purse strings, and OMB officials were concerned his DOGE operation would "dox" them if they signed the declaration, the sources said.

The sources also said OMB employees

were unsure whether Adams would protect them should such a scenario come to pass.

Adams' relationship with Trump, which includes a commitment by the mayor to not publicly criticize the president, has come under intense scrutiny in the wake of the Trump Justice Department's effort to drop his corruption indictment with the understanding that it could come back this fall. The Justice Department has written in court papers that a dismissal should enable Adams to help facilitate the president's agenda, including his pledged "mass deportations" of undocumented immigrants, an unusual caveat many say has left the mayor beholden to Trump.

Matters at OMB came to a head on Feb. 19, when Jiha delivered an ultimatum to a senior official in the office: Sign the declaration, or be fired, sources familiar with the exchange confirmed.

TRUMP AND MUSK

President Trump and his billionaire cost cutter Elon Musk (both below) have rattled public servants, not just on the federal level, but in city government, too. A senior City Hall official left his job rather than challenging them in court.



The official, whose name is being withheld by The News given the threat to his job, was at the time preparing to transfer to the NYPD for a new role he was expecting to start in mid-March. But after Jiha's order, the employee was able to expedite his transfer, the sources said. The official then started at the NYPD late last month, a timeline confirmed by municipal records.

"He was afraid and didn't want just himself but anyone else to become a target and be doxxed because [DOGE] supposedly has everyone's names now," a source familiar with the official's thinking said.

The official declined to comment when reached by phone last week.

Adams spokeswoman Kayla Mamelak confirmed Friday that a "member" of OMB was told to sign the declaration, but she didn't comment on the termination threat. Mamelak did say "we expect city

employees to do the jobs they were hired to do."

Ultimately, Jiha ended up himself signing the declaration in question, which was submitted along with the lawsuit Adams' Law Department filed on behalf of the city on Feb. 21 to retrieve the \$80 million. The suit names Trump and other top federal officials as defendants.

Mamelak said Jiha put his name on the document because he "recognized the sensitivities and concerns of signing" it.

The declaration blasts the Trump clawback as a "money grab" that violated rules restricting the federal government from reclaiming funds that have been allocated to local municipalities. The lawsuit is pending in Manhattan Federal Court, and Trump's administration had yet to file a response as of Friday.

"FEMA did not provide any notice

that the funds would be taken or that any determination had been made to take the funds or any grounds for doing so," Jiha's declaration reads.

The \$80 million confiscation, first discovered by Comptroller Brad Lander's office, set off fears across the city about the Trump administration's ability to dip into city government bank accounts, and whether more funding reversals could be forthcoming, especially as the president and Musk have threatened to withhold federal money for various local initiatives, including education programs.

The clawback also came as concerns about Adams' leadership mounted amid the Trump Justice Department's controversial move to end his prosecution — which is pending approval from a judge. A range of elected leaders are calling on Adams to resign, saying he has become a "hostage"

to Trump's agenda. Four of Adams' own deputy mayors submitted resignations last month after telling him they don't believe he can have solely the city's best interests in mind in the face of what's happening with his criminal case.

The anxiety at the Office of Management and Budget underscores that concerns about Adams' independence from Trump are having serious impacts on municipal operations, argued City Councilman Justin Brannan (D-Brooklyn), who as Finance Committee chairman exercises oversight of OMB. "The mayor needs to stand up to Trump," said Brannan, who endorsed Adams' 2021 mayoral run but has since grown disillusioned with him.

"What message does it send when his top aides are afraid to sign a letter while countless public servants work hard every day to uphold our city's values?"

'WAIT & SEE' ON DIVERSITY

N.Y. colleges make few changes amid Trump administration deadline to end DEI programs and threat to cut off funding

Columbia (main) cut DEI refs on websites; SUNY's John King (r.) said inclusion is still on the agenda.



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As a Feb. 28 deadline to end diversity programs came and went, New York colleges and universities appeared to be taking a “wait and see” approach to whether the Trump administration will cut off federal funding.

The State University of New York reaffirmed it would stand by its diversity, equity and inclusion commitments. Columbia University removed DEI references from school websites and made changes to race-based graduations, though it intends to follow through with the ceremonies.

On Feb. 14, the U.S. Education Department gave schools two weeks to drop all policies and actions that treat students differently based on race. Colleges that do not comply risk unwanted scrutiny or a significant hit to their bottom lines, but few in New York have made sweeping changes.

“Overall, the reaction in the city — more than the rest of the country — is kind of a wait and see posture,” said Ann Marcus, a professor of college leadership and administration at New York University. “You don’t want to go turning anything upside down and find out it’s not that serious.”

The guidance, in what is known as a “Dear Colleague” letter, dramatically expanded the Supreme Court’s 2023 ruling against affirmative action in college admissions to all race-based efforts in schools. The memo, which provides notice of the Trump administration’s interpretation of existing law, is currently being challenged in court.

New York higher education leaders say the law is on their side.

Last week, SUNY Chancellor John King, a former U.S. education secretary under President Barack Obama, declared he had “no intention” of retreating from diversity and inclusion. He said initiatives such as a pipeline program for Black college leaders

would continue — it would just be open to all applicants.

“The missives from the federal government to date have not been consistent with the law,” King said Tuesday at a hearing on New York’s higher education budget.

His counterpart at CUNY made the distinction between the Education Department’s guidance and his interpretation of the law. “The ‘Dear Colleague’ letter is a guidance letter,” said Chancellor Felix Matos Rodriguez, who said CUNY would make any changes as needed. “But until that happens, we’ve been working around all applicable federal and state and city law.”

Columbia, which became a target of the GOP’s ire during last year’s pro-Palestinian protests, has taken additional steps to fall in line. The school has retracted the public DEI statements of some programs, removed faculty diversity data, and revised a calendar of multicultural graduation events. The missing diversity statements were first

detected by the student newspaper, the Columbia Spectator.

Special graduations for affinity groups gained popularity across American universities, including at Columbia, where the practice began two decades ago as an opportunity for graduates to celebrate with their community. In recent years, though, conservatives have condemned the ceremonies as an example of school-sanctioned segregation.

“In a shameful echo of a darker period in this country’s history, many American schools and universities even encourage segregation by race at graduation ceremonies,” read the Education Department guidance, which explicitly declared the practice unlawful.

Since last month, Columbia has removed any reference to diversity from the schedule, according to a review of the digital archive Wayback Machine. And while the ceremonies are scheduled to continue, they will



not be called “graduations” anymore, but “Celebrations for Graduates.”

Columbia did not return requests for comment, though Interim President Katrina Armstrong wrote to students and faculty that for months, the administration has been “actively preparing” for broader changes to federal policy.

“We cannot predict all that will unfold, but we are actively planning to mitigate the worst effects,” she said.

NYU, where President Trump’s son Barron is a student, has largely avoided taking any official stance. The university provost told faculty members she heard from many of them “expressing concerns about the uncertainty” stemming from the Dear Colleague letter and other federal mandates. An NYU spokesman did not return a request for comment.

“I want to assure you that there are teams of people across the university, and beyond, closely monitoring these

developments,” Provost Georgina Dopico wrote in a Feb. 18 memo. “As importantly, I want to affirm to you, amidst all of the uncertainty, that NYU’s core values and commitments remain unchanged.”

NYU’s Marcus explained that a lack of definitive statements should not be mistaken for inaction.

In the absence of universitywide guidance, Marcus said, some individual schools or programs are making their own decisions about how to proceed. On her campus, she had already heard of one event cancellation from a student.

“It doesn’t mean that behind the scenes, they’re not making some moves to try to minimize this,” Marcus said of college administrators. “[The Trump administration] really want to destroy higher education. It’s this mania about the elites and universities having progressive ideologies and ‘wokeness’ and all that, but it’s very hostile – and not new.”

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Director Sean Baker accepts Best Picture award for "Anora," flanked by cast and crew, including Mikey Madison (in pink), who also won for Best Actress, at the Academy Awards in Hollywood Sunday night. Below left, Robert Downey Jr. joins Kieran Culkin, who won Best Supporting Actor for "A Real Pain." And far right, Zoe Saldña wins Best Supporting Actress for "Emilia Pérez."



'ANORA' SOARS AT OSCARS

Madison & director Baker win in Best Picture effort

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The Academy Awards were all about "Anora."

In a twist akin to some of Hollywood's best stories, Sunday's ceremony in Los Angeles saw 25-year-old Mikey Madison take home the trophy for Best Lead Actress, beating front-runner Demi Moore, who shocked with her star turn in "The Substance," a gory body horror hit directed by Coralie Fargeat.

"Anora," a sex worker Cinderella story set in Brooklyn's Brighton Beach, also took home the top honor of the night, "Best Picture," as well as awards for writing, editing and directing, which all went to the film's

auteur, Sean Baker.

Sunday also saw Adrien Brody take home the Best Actor trophy for his starring role in "The Brutalist," a 210-minute epic about a Holocaust survivor who emigrates to America post-WWII. It comes more than 20 years after his first win in the same category for "The Pianist" in 2002.

He had to beat out 29-year-old Timothée Chamalet, who earned a nomination for his portrayal of Bob Dylan in "A Complete Unknown." A win would have made Chamalet the youngest Best Actor recipient ever, a record that still belongs to Brody, who just shy of 30 when he won the award for the first time. The other contenders included Colman Domingo for "Sing Sing," Ralph Fiennes for "Conclave" and

Sebastian Stan for "The Apprentice."

"The Brutalist," directed by Brady Corbet, also earned awards for Best Score and Best Cinematography.

The night was a painless one for Kieran Culkin, who took home the first award of the evening, the Best Supporting Actor trophy, for his performance alongside Jesse Eisenberg in "A Real Pain." He used the moment to remind his wife, Jazz Charton, of her promise to grow their family should he be named the winner.

"I just have this to say to you Jazz, love of my life, ye of little faith ... let's get crackin' on those kids, what do you say?"

It followed a snappy opening from Conan O'Brien, who kicked off his turn as host with a creepy and comedic nod to

"The Substance" as well the controversy swirling around "Emilia Pérez" and its leading lady, Karla Sofía Gascón.

Jacques Audiard's "Emilia Pérez" went into the night with a whopping 13 nominations, making it not only the most recognized film of the year, but the most nominated non-English language film in Oscars history. A genre-bending movie musical, it follows Zoe Saldña's Rita Mora Castro, a determined lawyer hired to help a Mexican cartel leader, played Gascón, fake her death and undergo gender-affirming procedures.

It earned the Oscar for Best Original Song with "El Mal," while Saldña was named Best Supporting Actress, capping off an award season sweep that saw her



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win at the Golden Globes, BAFTAs and the Screen Actors Guild awards.

"Mami! Mami! Mami! My mom is here," Saldaña said before acknowledging the rest of her family, including her grandmother, who immigrated to the United States in 1961.

"I am a proud child of immigrant parents. With dreams and dignity and hard working hands," she continued. "And I am the first American of Dominican origin to accept an Academy Award. And I know I will not be the last."

Gascón made Oscar history by being the first openly transgender woman to be nominated for Best Lead Actress, a competitive category that also included the likes of Demi Moore, who shocked

with her star turn in "The Substance," a gory body horror hit directed by Coralie Fargeat, and Cynthia Erivo, who was nominated for her work in "Wicked."

"Wicked," John M. Chu's musical extravaganza, was up for 10 awards on Sunday, with wins in categories including Best Production Design and Best Costume Design. It also earned nods for Best Picture, Best Director as well as a Best Supporting Actress nomination for Ariana Grande.

Both of "Wicked's" leading ladies dazzled during the ceremony's opening, with Grande belting out "The Wizard of Oz" classic "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" before she was joined by Erivo, who sang "Home" from the "The Wiz."



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Fashion takes the stage on Hollywood's big night





Fashion was part of the Oscars show Sunday, as stars including Ariana Grande (left), Timothée Chalamet (right), Ralph Fiennes (below right), Fernanda Torres (middle left), Colman Domingo (bottom left) and Selena Gomez (far left) strutted their stuff. Hooray for Hollywood!





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MDC Brooklyn jail inmate held in hit plot tried to smuggle scalpel blades in bag of Doritos - feds

BY JOHN ANNESE
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

A murder-for-hire suspect tried to smuggle 21 ceramic scalpel blades into the MDC Brooklyn federal jail after a visitor handed them to him in a Doritos bag, federal prosecutors say.

Angel Villafane, who's accused of being a member of the "Valentine Ave. Crew" in the Bronx, was indicted last week for the October attempt to bring the scalpels into the troubled Sunset Park jail.

He slipped the scalpels into his shirt — and when correction officers strip-searched him he tried to swallow the blades, prosecutors said at his arraignment in Brooklyn Federal Court.

Villafane, 40, has been locked up since January 2021, when he was arrested on federal firearm possession charges in Manhattan in connection with a Bronx shooting.

He's since been charged alongside 15 other gang members in a March 2024 superseding indictment, implicating him in two nonfatal shootings, one of which brought him a murder-for-hire charge.

The feds say Villafane paid a co-conspirator in July 2020 to lure a victim to a spot in Manhattan where he tried to kill him over a drug debt.

The second shooting took place in

January 2021, when Villafane ambushed a man coming out of his apartment in a building at Second Ave. and E. 97th St. in Manhattan, Manhattan federal prosecutors allege.

Villafane told the victim, "What's up now," then pointed a gun at him as the man begged for his life, according to court papers. Villafane raised the gun and shot the victim in the neck, then advanced on him but ran off when a relative of the victim opened the apartment door, the feds allege.

Villafane pleaded not guilty in Brooklyn Federal Court on the smuggling charges Tuesday and was returned to MDC Brooklyn. He could face up to five years on contraband charges and up to life in prison in his Manhattan case.

His lawyer did not return a message seeking comment.

MDC Brooklyn has for years been plagued by violence, medical mistreatment of inmates and dire living conditions. On Feb. 22, Karl Jordan, convicted of killing Run-DMC icon Jam Master Jay in 2002, was stabbed in the jail while awaiting sentencing.

Last summer, the jail saw two fatal stabbings less than six weeks apart. And in a caught-on-video April 27 attack, three MS-13 members stabbed a man 44 times before a lone correction officer intervened.

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BY AMANDA SEITZ
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WASHINGTON — Every time a baby is born in Louisiana, where Republican House Speaker Mike Johnson handily won reelection last year, there's more than a 60% chance that taxpayers will finance the birth through Medicaid.

In Republican Rep. David Valadao's central California district, 6 out of 10 people use Medicaid to pay for doctor visits and emergency room trips.

And one-third of the population is covered by Medicaid in GOP Sen. Lisa Murkowski's Alaska, one of the nation's costliest corners for health care.

Each of these Republicans — and some of their conservative colleagues — lined up last week to defend Medicaid, in a departure from long-held GOP policies. Republicans, who already have ruled out massive cuts to Social Security and Medicare, are turning their attention to siphoning as much as \$880 billion from Medicaid over the next decade to help finance \$4.5 trillion in tax cuts.

But as a deadline to avoid a partial government shutdown nears, hesitation is surfacing among Washington's Republican lawmakers — once reliable critics of lofty government social welfare programs such as Medicaid — who say that deep cuts to the health care program could prove too untenable for people back home.

"I've heard from countless constituents who tell me the only way they can afford health care is through programs like Medicaid," Valadao said on the House floor. "And I will not support a final reconciliation bill that risks leaving them behind."

On Wednesday, President Trump, too, made his position on Medicaid clear: "We're not going to touch it."

States and the federal government jointly pay for Medicaid, which offers nearly free health care coverage for 80 million poor and disabled Americans, including millions of children.

It cost \$880 billion to operate in 2023.

Johnson has ruled out two of the biggest potential cuts: paying fixed, shrunken rates to states for care and changing the calculation for the share of federal dollars that each state receives for Medicaid. Just a few years ago, Johnson spearheaded a report that lobbied for some of those changes during the first Trump administration.

Johnson insisted in a CNN interview that the focus will instead be ferreting out "fraud, waste and abuse," in Medicaid, although it's unlikely to deliver the savings Republicans seek.

GOP pressure over Medicaid is mounting, with some state party leaders joining the calls to preserve the program. States are already struggling with the growing



President Trump speaks at cabinet meeting last Wednesday. He joined some of his fellow Republicans by saying, "We're not going to touch" Medicaid, the federal health program for the poor and the disabled. AP

Not so fast, say some GOPers, over the push to slash Medicaid

cost of sicker patients and could be left to cover more if the federal government pulls back. In some states, the federal government picks up over 80% of the cost.

More than a dozen Minnesota GOP lawmakers wrote to the president recently warning that "too deep of a cut is unmanageable in any instance."

Gov. Joe Lombardo of Nevada, a Republican, told Congress in a letter that "proposed reductions would put lives at risk."

In Alaska, state Senate Majority Leader Cathy Giessel, a Republican and nurse, cited "huge concerns" during a floor speech.

Nationally, 55% of Americans said the government spends too little on Medicaid, according to a January poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

Significant changes to Medicaid are still on the table. They have to be for Republicans get the savings they need to pay for tax cuts. Work requirements, which could

save as much as \$109 billion over the next decade, seem to have solid support among GOP members, with some individual Republican-led states already moving to implement them.

Republicans also could consider cuts in benefits or coverage, as well as eliminating a provider tax that states use to finance Medicaid, said Drew Altman, president of the health care research firm KFF.

Democrats warn that reductions are inevitable and could be dire.

Vermont protesters to vacationing Vance: 'Go ski in Russia,' not here

BY JOSEPH WILKINSON
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Hundreds of protesters lining the streets of a small Vermont town forced Vice President JD Vance and his family to cancel a planned ski trip ahead of his anticipated arrival Saturday.

Organizers estimated anywhere from 1,000 to 3,000 people turned out in Waitsfield near the well-known Sugarbush

Resort where the Vance family was headed, local outlet VTDigger reported.

Dozens of protesters showed up specifically in support of Ukraine, following Vance and President Trump's showdown with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy in the White House on Friday. At least one protester held a "Go ski in Russia" sign.

"Ski Russia because JD Vance has no friends in Vermont, but he's got lots of

friends in Russia, so he should go there for vacation," Waterbury, Vt., resident Tekla Van Hoven told local CBS affiliate WCAX.

Vance, 40, and his family did not make it to Sugarbush but were instead relocated to an undisclosed location, Fox News reported. A crowd of pro-Palestinian protesters had also gathered outside the small hotel where the family was planning to stay.

A smaller crowd of pro-Vance, pro-Trump demonstrators also massed outside

the hotel, leading to several shouting matches but limited physical violence, according to VTDigger.

"We came out here today to make sure that a message is being sent loud and clear from Vermont to Vance and the entire administration, that anything short of a fully free and liberated Palestine is a nonstarter," local activist Michelle Eddleman McCormick told the outlet.

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DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL

Trump's time to explain

When he goes before a joint session of Congress tomorrow night, President Trump should use the formal occasion and national audience to explain what his new administration is doing on behalf of the American public who used their votes to put him back into the White House. At this point, it's impossible to tell.

In dozens of executive orders, pronouncements on his Truth Social and endlessly talking to the press (which we are not complaining about), the president has yet to lay out a coherent vision to such core concerns like the cost of living, which is a major reason he beat Kamala Harris last November. Remember the high price of eggs, which is now much higher (assuming the stores haven't run out)?

Trump's punishing tariffs on goods from Canada, Mexico and China are supposed to begin tomorrow, which will raise prices even higher, bringing more pocketbook pain. Maybe the levies will be called off or delayed again, or maybe they will really take hold. Trump says he loves tariffs, but consumers sure don't.

As for another big Trump initiative, we doubt that many voters marked their ballots for Trump because they wanted Elon Musk to be in charge of firing thousands of federal workers without any rhyme or reason, leaving dangerous holes in everything from air traffic control to securing nuclear weapons to monitoring bird flu outbreaks.

Does Trump assume that Musk alone will catch the blowback for forcing unsuspecting people out of their jobs? If so, the president should look at the House members and senators seated before him tomorrow night who were besieged by constituents

back home livid about the DOGE slashings.

No, the public's ire won't land only on Musk. And this isn't partisan. We'd guess about half of those sacked government employees supported Trump and this is how he shows his thanks?

We also don't think that more than a tiny percentage of Americans wanted Trump to have this country switch sides in the war in Ukraine, with Trump teaming up with Vladimir Putin to oppose Volodymyr Zelenskyy. Trump's Oval Office ambush of his guest Friday was appalling and while the president was correct that, "this is going to be great television," it was horrible statecraft and a disaster to everyone but the Kremlin and Trump sycophants.

A peace plan for Ukraine doesn't mean just stop fighting and leaving Russia in control of conquered Ukrainian lands. A just peace is a full Russian withdrawal and making sure to protect against a renewed invasion. Trump told Zelenskyy that Trump's trusting relationship with Putin is the guarantee against future aggression by Putin, but even if that is true (which it isn't), who is the guarantor after Trump departs office? Or will Trump never depart office?

The House Republicans passed a bill with deep cuts in Medicaid to fund tax cuts. Is this something that Trump also wants? He'll have his chance tomorrow night when he's at the rostrum in the House chamber.

In recent decades, this speech just weeks into a new president's term has not been called the State of the Union, so consider this the state of Trump's administration.

A level playing field

Andrew Cuomo's entry into the Democratic mayoral primary should be matched with his entry into the city Campaign Finance Board's matching fund program, pun intended. Since its inception in 1989, every serious contender for mayor has been a participant, with one exception (more on that later). The benefit to New Yorkers are candidates who are not betrothed to special interests and the players have a level playing field (again, with that one exception).

Cuomo's nascent campaign says it will be joining the 8-1 matching funds, which is good. That must also be the same choice should City Council Speaker Adrienne Adams throw her hat in. All the other City Hall candidates have already signed up.

The program is structured to maximize the clout of small-dollar donors. A contribution of \$20 from a New York City resident becomes a match of \$160. Only amounts up to \$250 are matchable (at \$2,000).

Overall, the most any person can give is \$2,100 (and just \$400 if a contributor has business dealings with the city government, which can't be matched). Compare that when Cuomo was running for governor and the ridiculous "cap" was \$69,700 for contributions. Cuomo collected tens of millions in such large chunks and his state campaign account war chest still has millions.

But he's not using a cent of that cash in the race. It would be logistically near impossible, as each donor from years ago would have to be contacted and asked if their dollars could be reoriented and then apply a max of \$2,100 to be transferred over. Instead he'll have to start at zero.

The other mayoral contenders have been

running for years and have been collecting money, giving them a financial edge over Cuomo, but he has universal name recognition, so if New Yorkers want him back in elected office, here's their chance to chip in a few bucks. The same goes for Speaker Adams. It was their own choice to wait until now to start campaigning.

Cuomo's allies are forming a super PAC to boost his run, as have supporters of others in the past. But the main focus should be on each candidate's own campaign. Under the CFB program they are all limited to spending \$7,932,000 for the June 24 ranked-choice primary. How they each manage their resources over the next few months is one measure of how they would manage at City Hall.

The exception we mentioned above about the sole major candidate to skip the matching funds is Mike Bloomberg, currently the world's 15th richest person worth \$103.4 billion. In the three instances that he successfully ran for mayor, 2001, 2005 and 2009, he just wrote a bigger check time, \$74 million, \$85 million and \$108 million.

Bloomberg's argument was that he took no money from any contributor (indeed his campaign would return any money sent in) so there was no possibility of anyone buying access or influence. Very true and there was never any issue of corruption, which is what the CFB was created to combat.

However, Bloomberg's three campaigns did have tremendous financial advantages over his rivals. But such a lopsided money imbalance won't be the case this year and we expect Cuomo and everyone in the contest will have enough to get their message out to voters and may the best candidate prevail.

NYC needs a choice, not a coronation

**BE OUR GUEST
BY STEVE COHEN**

The caller was a well-known local TV news reporter. She asked where she should send her contribution for Andrew Cuomo's mayoral campaign. I had to explain I wasn't the Steve Cohen organizing Cuomo's super PAC, nor was I the owner of the Mets. She hung up quickly, but the call reinforced my perception that the polls are correct: this is Cuomo's race to lose.

Last week I spent an hour listening to Cuomo speak to a group of about 35 people crowded into a friend's living room. His message was simple: the city's challenges are significant, but we've seen them before. What we need to meet them is a capable, experienced manager.

Cuomo is nothing if not a proven manager. He cited refurbishing LaGuardia Airport, building the new Tappan Zee Bridge across the Hudson – at \$4 billion the biggest infrastructure project in the United States – and the Second Avenue Subway. (Though he didn't mention that the 1.8 miles of excavation, shoring, track, and stations cost approximately \$2.5 billion per mile, 8 to 12 times more than similar subway projects in Italy, Istanbul, Sweden, Paris, Berlin and Spain.)

The second part of his message also resonated: that virtually every other candidate for mayor – with the exception of Eric Adams – is an out-of-touch, off-the-deep-end progressive. "Irrational" is a word he kept repeating, and it stuck. (He wouldn't predict whether Adams would remain in the race, but said if he did, he and Adams would probably split the moderate vote. And with rank-choice voting, it is hard to predict how things would shake out.)

Cuomo could see – as anyone in the room could – that both prongs of his message were resonating. But I was surprised by three things. Perhaps I shouldn't have been, but first I was surprised by how charismatic he was: he is a political pro. His undisguised Queens tough-guy swagger, self-confidence, and use of self-deprecating humor won over the crowd.

The second surprise was that he never said a word about the elephant in the room: the extensive sexual harassment allegations against him. And yet it appeared that not one of the 25 women in the room gave a damn. Which raises the question: if the alleged transgressions were indeed so insignificant, what did Cuomo do to alienate so many of his Albany

colleagues that they ran him out of town on the proverbial rail?

Cuomo's third (non) surprise was his willingness to reinvent history. When I asked him what he now thought of the bail reform laws that he signed – and that have resulted in a revolving door of dangerous, recidivist offenders set free – he gave a lengthy, rambling answer.

He talked about how he was in favor of giving state judges the same discretion that federal judges have long enjoyed: the power to impose bail based on a defendant's danger to the community, and not just on ensuring that the defendant will show up for trial. Cuomo's word salad suggested that the Legislature "insisted" on the more restrictive approach, so he signed a bad bill.

Cuomo is aggressively trying to distance himself from the progressives, joked that "moderate" was a dirty word in his home, and that he still sees himself as an old-fashioned liberal. With the exception of Adams who, if he runs, will undoubtedly try to position himself as a moderate, criticism of Cuomo's record will be from the left.

That would leave a void where voices from the center should be coming from. (Curtis Sliwa, the presumptive Republican nominee, is hard to take seriously). Which begs the question: why is the media ignoring Jim Walden's independent candidacy?

Full disclosure: I recently contributed \$250 to Walden's campaign; as I have to both Republicans and Democrats in years past. I did so in part because I am co-counsel with Walden's law firm on a number of cases. But more importantly, I want to hear a perspective that is being ignored by what remains of the local news media. Crain's New York Business has refused to include Walden in their mayoral forum and Brian Lehrer is inviting only Democrats onto his radio program.

An independent without a billion dollars to buy name recognition has a tough battle ahead. But I'm hoping the media does not buy into the canard that whoever is on the Democratic line will win the general election. New Yorkers need better candidates and to hear from them.

Cohen is an attorney at Pollock Cohen. He was on Ronald Reagan's 1980 campaign staff and co-chaired a literacy task force for Hillary Clinton.

BRAMHALL'S WORLD



Albany should not push to ban nicotine pouches

New York is no stranger to bad tobacco policy. For years, the state has led the nation in illegal cigarette sales, thanks to excessive taxes that have created a booming illicit market. Now, lawmakers in Albany want to repeat the same mistake — this time with nicotine pouches like Zyn.

Under the guise of public health, legislators are pushing a ban on these products, despite the fact that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has recognized them as a lower-risk alternative to traditional cigarettes. This proposal is not just misguided — it's dangerous. It will fuel illicit trade, hurt small businesses, and make it harder for adult smokers to kick the habit.

If there's one thing we know about prohibition, it's that bans don't eliminate demand. Instead, they push products underground, where criminal networks thrive.

New York already leads the nation in illegal tobacco sales. Nearly half of all cigarettes sold in the state are smuggled in from lower-tax states, according to the Tax Foundation. As sheriff of New York City appointed by Mayor Mike Bloomberg, my team innovated ways to tackle tobacco-related crime. This sophisticated underground trade isn't just about avoiding taxes — it's a multi-billion-dollar criminal enterprise run by organized crime groups, including cartels and violent gangs.

BE OUR GUEST

BY EDGAR DOMENECH

Banning nicotine pouches will only give these bad actors another lucrative product to exploit. Illicit tobacco networks are well-established, and they won't hesitate to capitalize on a new illicit market profit opportunity. Instead of buying from regulated retailers who check IDs, consumers — especially young people — will turn to unlicensed street vendors and illegal online markets, where there are no age restrictions or quality controls.

We've seen this before. New York's aggressive regulation of flavored vapes didn't stop teenagers from using them — it just created an explosion of illegal, unregulated products flooding into the state from overseas manufacturers. Many of these products contain unknown chemicals and dangerously high nicotine levels.

Do we really want to make the same mistake again?

Smoking-related diseases kill more than 22,000 New Yorkers every year and the most vulnerable communities are those who need the most help quitting. New Yorkers living below the poverty line, African-American, Latinos, LGBTQ individuals, and those suffering mental health disorders are all more

likely to smoke cigarettes. Taking away safer alternatives is a cruel decision that will only make it harder for them to quit.

Albany politicians claim this ban is about protecting public health. But if they truly cared about reducing tobacco-related harm for these communities, they'd be embracing nicotine pouches — not banning them.

Nicotine pouches are smokeless, spit-free, and free of harmful tar and combustion by-products. The FDA has already authorized the sale of certain pouches, recognizing that they pose lower health risks than cigarettes and other forms of tobacco. Public health experts around the world agree that alternative nicotine products can play a critical role in helping smokers transition away from combustible tobacco.

Lawmakers should be encouraging adult smokers to switch to these products, not forcing them back to cigarettes or into the hands of unregulated dealers.

Beyond the public safety and health concerns, this ban will also be a major hit to New York's legitimate retailers and tax revenues.

Corner stores and convenience shops rely on nicotine products as a key part of their business. Taking these off the shelves means fewer sales, fewer customers, and fewer jobs. Meanwhile, the state will lose out on tax revenue from legal sales, all while fueling an

illegal market that pays nothing into state coffers.

It's a lose-lose situation — except for the criminals who profit from bad policy.

New York doesn't need another prohibition disaster. What we need is common-sense policy that actually works. Instead of banning products that help adult smokers reduce their risk, the state should focus on:

- Cracking down on illegal disposable vapes that are being smuggled into New York and sold to minors.

- Enforcing existing laws to prevent youth access to all nicotine products.

- Educating smokers on harm reduction rather than forcing them into more dangerous choices.

Banning nicotine pouches won't stop people from using them — it will just push them underground, fueling more crime and undermining public health. If lawmakers are serious about protecting New Yorkers, they should reject this misguided proposal and embrace harm reduction instead.

It's time for common sense, not prohibition.

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Although he's gone, his characters will live on

Forked River, N.J.: Among all the bad news going on, we learned of the tragic death of Gene Hackman and his wife. Their dog was also found deceased in their home. Hackman and his wife Betsy, a classical pianist, were living a happy life out of the spotlight, only to have their tragic deaths return them to it.

As a kid, I went to every Saturday matinee in my local theater no matter what movie was playing. Hackman was always at the forefront of those great movies of the '70s and '80s. He was a force of nature, whether he was playing tough street cop Popeye Doyle in "The French Connection" or being beyond funny in movies like "The Birdcage." He showed us the ugliness of racism in the South as an FBI agent during the 1960s in "Mississippi Burning." He won Academy awards for "The French Connection" and Clint Eastwood's "The Unforgiven." For generations of moviegoers, Hackman pulled you into the story and made you feel like you were a part of it. If you want to find that much-needed laugh during these times, check him out as U.S. Sen. Kevin Keely in "The Birdcage." In one scene, he dresses in drag to avoid the press seeing him, and with a face like his, it was comedy gold.

I used to sit in that dark theater watching Hackman take up every part of that big screen with his incredible talent. Now that talent is gone so all I can say is we loved you, Gene, and we always will. The world is an emptier place without you.

Jim Hughes



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Meter malfeasance

Brooklyn: My husband was recently admitted to Mount Sinai Morningside, Old St. Luke's Hospital on 114th St. in Manhattan. I drive into the city to visit him because I am afraid to take the train and be shoved off the platform. For the first visit, I found a spot on 114th St. I tried to pay the meter with coins but no matter how I tried, they did not accept the coins. I paid with my credit card. Visits two and three went with meters not accepting coins or credit cards. I tried four meters on the block and one on Amsterdam Ave. I disputed two tickets online with photographic evidence but alas, I am not a credible witness. I paid the tickets because I need my car to take my husband for his follow-up appointments. This is a nice money-making business for the city.

Genevieve Stuber

Stolen spots

Staten Island: I'm sure this subject has made this column before, but I need to get it off my chest, especially due to some of the miscreants here on Staten Island. They seem to believe they have the privilege of parking their cars in disability spots even though they don't possess a disability decal or license plate. What gives you the right to take away the right of people less physically or mentally capable than you to park in a space reserved for them? You better hope that you or a loved one doesn't need a disability decal, but if they do, let's see how you feel when you find some slob illegally parked there. Parking illegally in a disability

spot can result in a fine ranging from \$250 to \$500 depending on specific circumstances and local regulations. This is considered a serious offense and may also lead to vehicle impoundment.

Dennis Pascale

Rate racket

Brooklyn: I heard on the news that the price hike requested by Con Edison could impact New York households with a \$1,000 annual increase for their electricity usage. I don't think this huge increase is the result of inflation. Many New Yorkers have installed solar panels and lowered their electric bills. This has decreased Con Edison's revenue. It does not look good for any corporate CEO to present his shareholders a picture of a declining revenue stream. So, what's the easiest way to increase your revenue? You got it: Raise the price for the service you provide.

Damo Baliga

All whipped up

Bloomington, Ind.: Rachel Maddow, one of the highest-paid cable news personalities, has been causing quite a stir lately. Following the election, her world seems to be spiraling out of control. Due to the ratings drop at her network, she has faced a pay cut and the firings of some of her colleagues. She doesn't appear to be handling it well. After the firing of race-baiter Joy Reid, she went on the air and not only criticized her employer but strongly hinted that racial preferences might be involved. MSNBC seems to be rolling with the punch; no action was taken against their biggest

star, at least not yet. I never paid much attention to Maddow until this recent dust-up. I'm in awe of how adept she is at appearing genuinely concerned about issues that lack any basis in reality. Could it be the \$25 million a year they're paying her?

Scott Thompson

Not a good look

Manhattan: Lately, our mayor has been pleading to God, President Trump, border czar Tom Homan, New Yorkers, Gov. Hochul and lawyers to billionaire stars like Jay-Z. New Yorkers are not drawn to desperate, begging mayors. I am still hoping he trades in his "I got this" look for an appropriate "I get this" one.

Frankie Turchiano

Troubled term

Manhattan: Everything about the tumult surrounding Mayor Adams is troubling. That he has been charged with taking bribes is troubling. That he is playing footsie with President Trump is troubling. That he is playing the race card and blaspheming religion is troubling. That he accused Joe Biden for his predicament is troubling. However, the most troubling aspect of this unpleasant saga is that he has opened the door for Andrew Cuomo. I can't believe I may have to listen to Cuomo's whining voice for four more years.

Steven Fromewick

Treacherous tantrum

Philadelphia: After Friday's spectacle in the Oval Office, Trump and Vice President JD Vance's abuse of Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy constitutes treason. Only one outcome is justified: Impeach these barbarians.

Bruce S. Ticker

Fired for nothing

Ozone Park: A letter from a MAGA supporter to Trump: "My dear Fuhrer: As a longtime fan and voter for your promised rebirth of America, I was completely blindsided when I received my termination notice. They said to mention five things I did at work last week. Lifting myself off the couch, I had to remember where exactly I worked, as I had used my 13 sick days in a row and my 26 days of vacation time before that, all in a row. I hope leaving the email blank doesn't count against me. Condescendingly yours, Shocked Federal Employee."

Ray Hackinson

Resist conformity

Jefferson City, Tenn.: If we're going to stop Elon Musk and Trump from becoming co-dictators, we need more representatives, Democrat and Republican, to stand up to him. I was watching the movie "1776" and one of the actors was

portraying the representative from Georgia who was having difficulty separating his thoughts about supporting the Declaration of Independence from those of the people who elected him. Then he came upon a quote of Edmund Burke's: "Your representative owes you not his industry only, but his judgment, and he betrays instead of serving you if he sacrifices it to your opinion." In other words, vote for what's best for our country, not the Republican Party or the MAGAs in your state or district, and especially not what Trump tells you.

Sean M. Talty

Fight the power

Forest Hills: In the 1880s, disenfranchised overseers and formerly enslaved people organized to take back the country from the plantation owners. I think it might be time to redo that part of history rather than what we are seeing now.

Stew Frimer

Soap drama

Jacksonville, Fla.: CBS has decided to gamble on premiering a new soap opera called "Beyond the Gates." But 50 years ago, in November 1975, CBS decided to dump the best soap opera that ever aired, "The Edge of Night"! Listen, CBS, even after 50 years, the wounds have not healed! Just quit while you're ahead!

Carl J.C. Hafner



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A nun walks in St. Peter's square reading the Vatican City paper, *Osservatore Romano*, as Pope Francis remained hospitalized with pneumonia on Sunday. GETTY

Pope stable, skips Sunday service for 3rd wk.

BY JOSEPH WILKINSON
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Pope Francis missed giving Sunday prayer service for the third straight week but remained in stable condition at a Rome hospital, the Vatican said.

"The night was quiet, the pope is still resting," Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni said in Sunday's update on the health of the 88-year-old pontiff.

Francis has been hospitalized at Rome's Agostino Gemelli Polyclinic since Feb. 14, when he was admitted for a bout of bronchitis. He then developed pneumonia in

both lungs and after several days of slight improvement he inhaled vomit on Friday and underwent another respiratory crisis.

However, by Sunday the pope felt well enough to receive two high-profile visitors. Pietro Cardinal Parolin, the Vatican's secretary of state, and Archbishop Edgar Pena Parra, his chief of staff, spoke briefly with Francis at the hospital, according to the Vatican.

Though Francis was not healthy enough to deliver his weekly Angelus prayer himself, the Vatican released a statement in which he thanked his doctors

and supporters while calling as always for peace on Earth.

"I feel in my heart the 'blessing' that is hidden within frailty, because it is precisely in these moments that we learn even more to trust in the Lord," Francis said in the text. "At the same time, I thank God for giving me the opportunity to share in body and spirit the condition of so many sick and suffering people."

Doctors said the pope was in stable condition on Sunday. He continued receiving supplemental oxygen and he was able to eat and drink, the Vatican

said. After Friday's crisis, doctors worried Francis was at risk of another infection, but there were no signs of any new trouble on Sunday.

Thousands of well-wishers continued arriving in Rome. Even a man undergoing his own cancer treatment at Gemelli hospital was thinking of Francis.

"I am glad the pope is giving me help," Antonino Cacace told Associated Press. "I am on the ninth (floor) and he is on the 10th (floor). I hope to meet him and see him."

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Freshman Pittsburgh Univ. football player Alexander killed in car crash

BY JOSEPH WILKINSON
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

Mason Alexander, a freshman football player at the University of Pittsburgh, was killed in a car crash Saturday night in his hometown in Indiana. He was 18.

Alexander was a passenger in a 2016 BMW sedan that was traveling through the northeast Indianapolis suburb of Fishers, local NBC affiliate WTHR reported.

The BMW tried to pass another car on a two-lane road around 9 p.m. but swerved back to its initial lane when the driver saw an oncoming car, according to the Indianapolis Star. The BMW driver lost control, traveled off the road, hit a tree and the car burst into flames.

The Hamilton County sheriff's office is

investigating the wreck. The condition and identity of the BMW driver were not immediately released.

Alexander enrolled at Pittsburgh in January following a standout career at Hamilton Southeastern High School in Fishers. He was rated as a four-star recruit at cornerback and considered the eighth-best player in the state of Indiana.

In addition to Pitt, he received scholarship offers from Auburn, Florida, Miami, Mississippi, Oregon, Tennessee and Texas A&M, among many others. In his first interview as a Panther on Wednesday he said he picked Pitt because of his relationship with defensive backs coaches Archie Collins and Cory Sanders.

"They'll treat you like family, like you're their

sons. That stood out to me," he said. "[They're] both two really good coaches who put a lot of people in the league, and that's where I wanna be when I get to that point. That's my end goal, to be in the NFL."

Alexander was slated to play for the Panthers starting with the 2025 season but had already made an impression on the coaching staff during his first weeks in Pittsburgh.

"I received a call this morning that no parent, teacher or coach ever wants to get — the sudden loss of a young and promising life," Pitt coach Pat Narduzzi said in a statement. "Mason was proud and excited to be a Panther, and we felt the same way about having him in our Pitt family. He will always be a Panther to us."

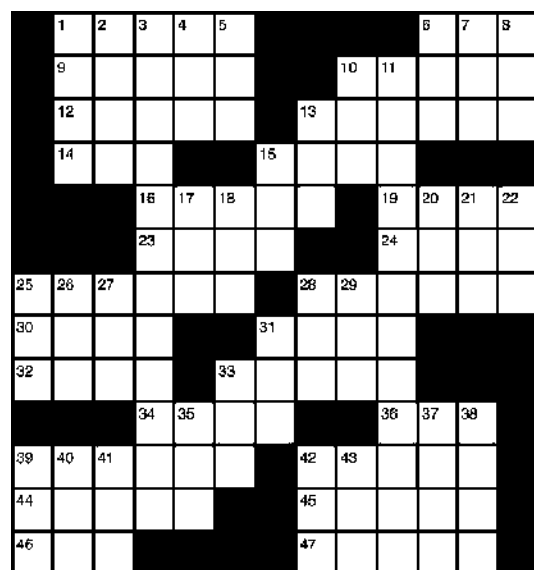
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by Jacqueline E. Mathews



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- 6 Actress Thompson
- 9 Actor Ballard
- 10 Spirited horse
- 12 Up until now
- 13 "Left ___"; Nicolas Cage movie
- 14 "___ Haw"
- 15 "One ___ Hill"
- 16 Setting for much of the film
"Gandhi"
- 19 Mayberry resident
- 23 Tack
- 24 Hitchcock and Scorsese: abbr.
- 25 The von ___; family members in
"The Sound of Music"
- 28 "The ___ Rookie"; short-lived
series for Paul Sorvino
- 30 Actor Katz
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- 32 Suffix for allow or annoy
- 33 "___ Billie Joe"
- 34 Pantry stackables
- 36 "McFarland, ___"; Kevin Costner
movie
- 39 Actress Lansbury

- 42 "The ___ Chase"; John
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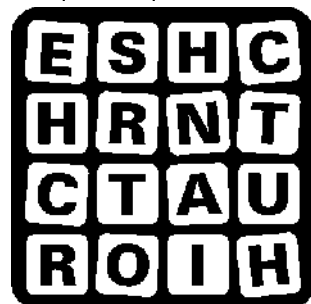
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- 7 Ending for eight or velvet
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- 11 Series for Thomas Lennon
- 13 Supportive undergarment
- 15 "___ Death"; Brad Garrett sitcom
- 17 Afternoon rest
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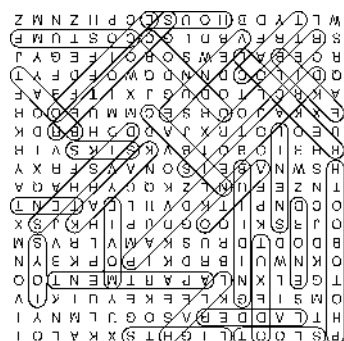
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Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, or diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

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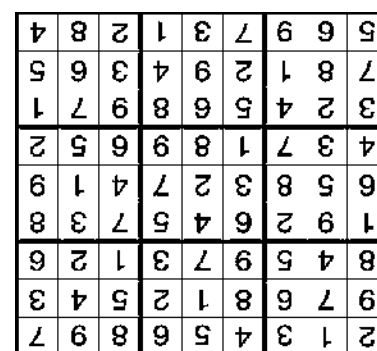
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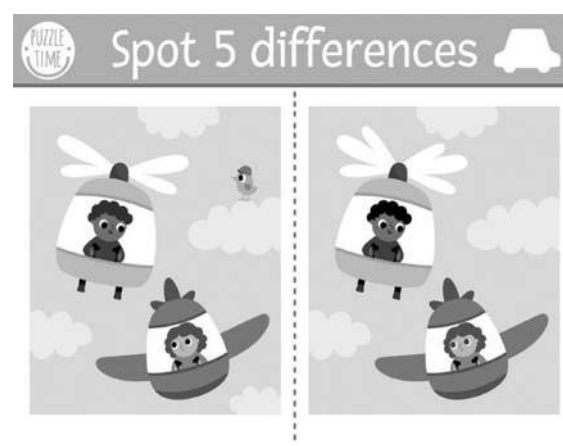
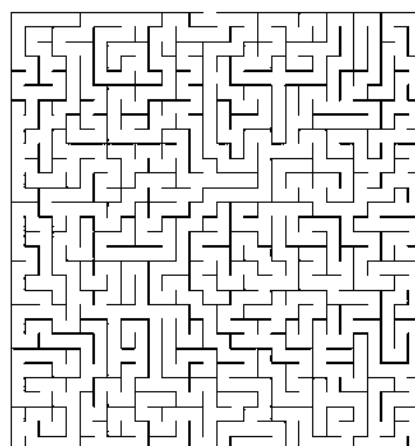
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit from 1 to 9. For strategies on solving Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.



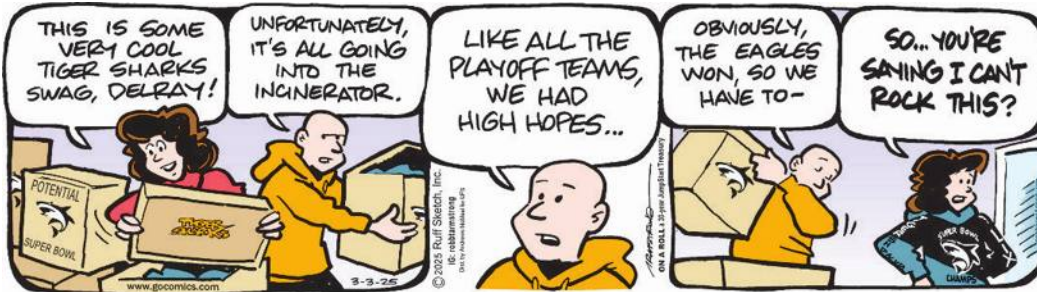
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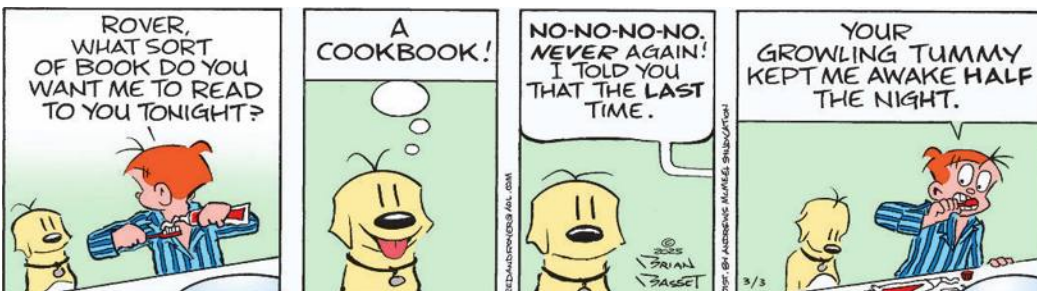
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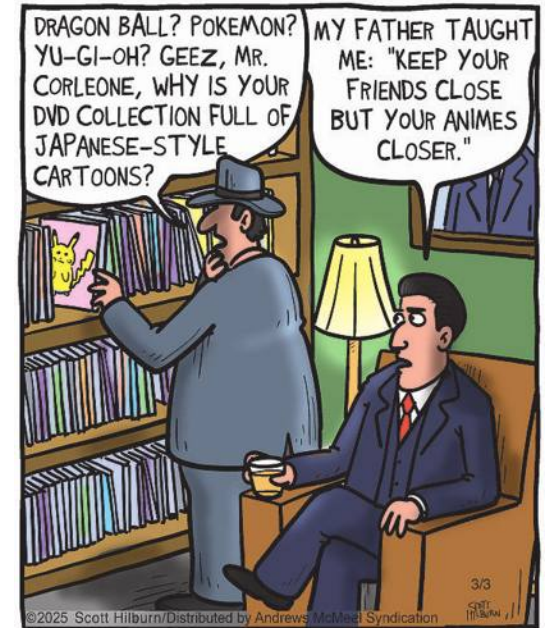
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Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

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The Argyle Sweater



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Enter the missing numbers from 1 to 16 without repetitions so that the sum of the four numbers in each row and column is the same as the corresponding circled number

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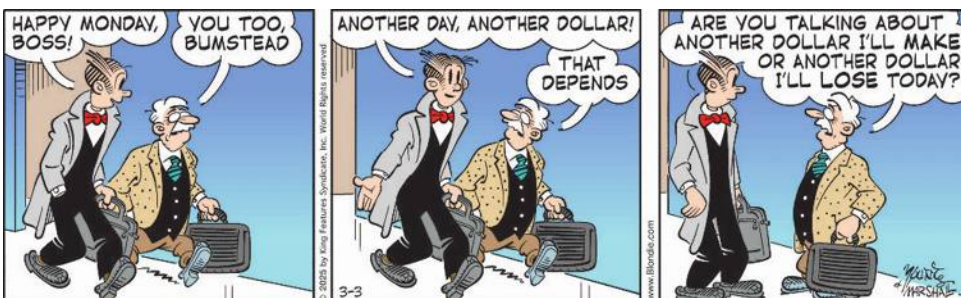
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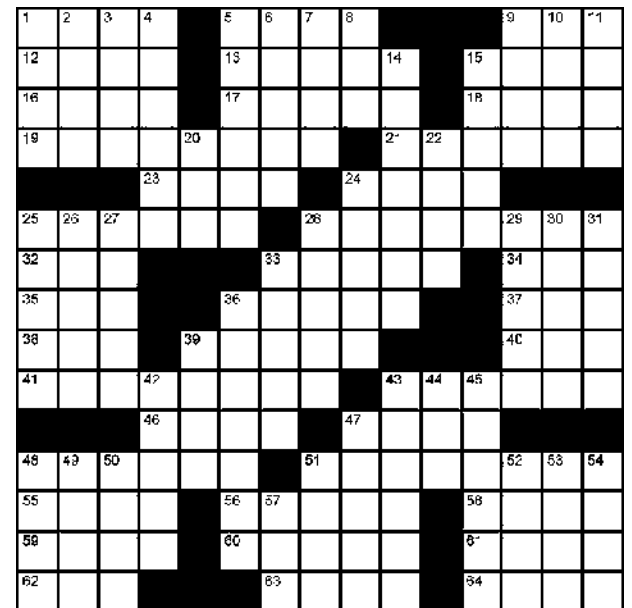
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- 9 Bus. abbr.
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- 16 Cartman of "South Park"
- 17 Legitimate
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- 21 Time of widespread glaciers (2 wds.)
- 23 Forfeited
- 24 "Think nothing — —!"
- 25 Part of AWOL
- 28 Crawls
- 32 Cudgel
- 33 Peppery
- 34 Partner of long.
- 35 Bring into play
- 36 Smooth
- 37 Environment (Prefix)
- 38 Stalemate
- 39 "Harold & Kumar Go to — Castle"
- 40 Guys
- 41 Divide
- 43 Go by boat
- 46 Nerve network
- 47 Gun pellets
- 48 Be sorry for sin
- 51 Passenger in hiding
- 55 Actor — Baldwin
- 56 Walter — Disney
- 58 Flexible tube
- 59 Party
- 60 Projecting line
- 61 Seed appendage

DOWN

- 1 Walk
- 2 Charter
- 3 Elevator name
- 4 Cucumber in brine
- 5 Buy stocks and bonds
- 6 Dinner fare
- 7 Shed feathers
- 8 "Do — — say ..."
- 9 Dalai —
- 10 Tidy
- 11 Be too fond
- 14 Massive building
- 15 Gear cogs
- 20 Charged particle
- 22 Burg
- 24 Martini fruit
- 25 Touches on
- 26 Med. specialty
- 27 Hammer part
- 28 — tide
- 29 Outpouring
- 30 Tropical resin
- 31 Hurries
- 32 Peach pit
- 33 Retinue
- 36 Break into pieces
- 39 Small bird
- 42 Betel palm
- 43 Selected
- 44 Seating designation
- 45 Provo denizen
- 47 Performers' place
- 48 Anger
- 49 — vital
- 50 Hit again and again
- 51 Faction
- 52 Sported
- 53 Large continent
- 54 Bark
- 57 Cup edge

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

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ANSWER

Saturday's answers: JUMBLES — CHAOS, LUCKY, FASTEN, EASILY
CARTOON — The police officer was being methodical, but the thief wanted to — CUT TO THE CHASE



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Aries (March 21-April 19): You've got a lot of ideas worth sharing. Fortunately, right now you a special gift of gab that might have been miss-

ing lately. It's time to build new connections, especially the platonic kind. It's also a good time for coming up with new ideas while improving old ones worth a second look.



Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): All kinds of relationships are up for inspection. This can pertain to romantic relationships, but professional and platonic ones are also included – don't limit the type of people on your radar. It's also an appropriate time for hashing important matters out to your satisfaction.



Taurus (April 20-May 20): Things may seem unclear for the time being. You'll find it more difficult than usual to formulate ideas and get a clear picture

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Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Time to get your life in order. You're well-equipped to make progress at your job, but if it's not satisfying you, new opportunities

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Gemini (May 21-June 20): You've never met a stranger – at least, not for very long. The stars are helping you get in touch with people all over the

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Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Think about the things that bring you joy, then go get them. There has rarely been a better time to focus on fun. This can relate to

romance, creativity or even the children in your life. Let yourself play like you used to and enjoy expressing yourself without worry.



Cancer (June 21-July 22): You've got a million ideas, but you only need one good one in order to succeed. Luckily, nothing can stop you right now, so you can

speed past unnecessary drama and focus only on what is a viable, valuable use of your time. It would be wise to ask someone you respect for a bit of advice or feedback.



Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Turn your attention toward the hearth. In time, there will be plenty of action and energy buzzing about under your roof. Consider

home improvements or DIY projects. If you're feeling extra social, though, go ahead and send out the invitations to whomever you like.



Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): It's a good time to think outside the box. Whether you're thinking about returning to school to further your education or diving

into a subject of interest, focus on growing your worldview and absorb as much fresh knowledge as possible. The more you learn, the more you can earn down the line.



Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your mind is leaping off in every direction starting today. This buzzing curiosity plates up plenty of things to do and people to see.

The general pace of life will seem much quicker. Be sure to get out into the local community. New acquaintances have a lot to offer.



Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You've got the mind of a detective now, giving you the impetus to ferret out secrets and ensure that people say what they really

mean. While you can indeed uncover some secrets or other hidden information, make sure you aren't creating drama where it doesn't exist.



Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Get your mind on your money. Seek to better manage the money you already have while ferreting out fresh financial

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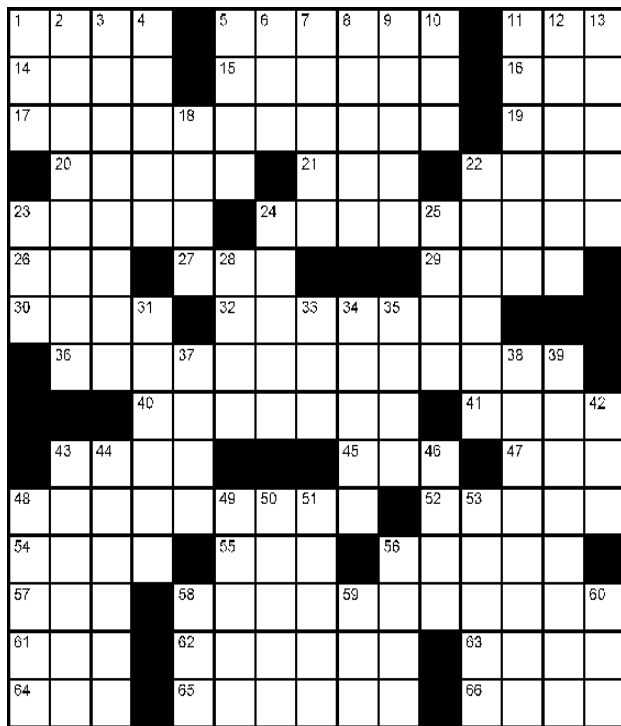
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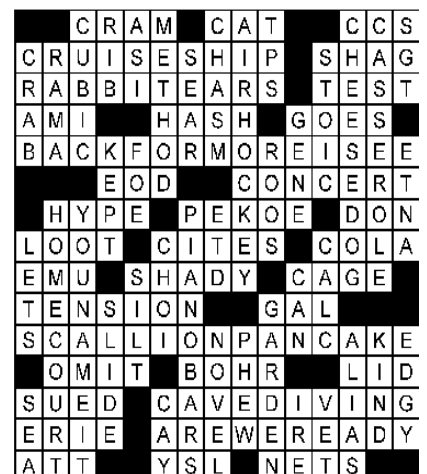
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ACROSS

- 1 Expressed orally
- 5 Like some puddles in winter
- 11 Not entirely: Suffix
- 14 Part of A.D.
- 15 Prepared, as butter for popcorn
- 16 "pls stop sharing"
- 17 Really fantastic
- 19 Parking place
- 20 Aboveboard, informally
- 21 El Amazonas, por ejemplo
- 22 Voting group

- 23 Poet who was Ada Lovelace's dad
- 24 Mental capacity
- 26 Tribe for which a Western state is named
- 27 Printing resolution: Abbr.
- 29 Texting abbr. hidden in "zero to hero"
- 30 Thailand, once
- 32 Craft space
- 36 Hit close to home?
- 40 Discuss the details of
- 41 Bell's loud sound
- 43 Ingredient in some boba
- 45 West Coast winter hrs.
- 47 Hub in Queens
- 48 Footwear preferred by Gen Z
- 52 Corridors
- 54 Goose call
- 55 Veggie that may be split or sweet
- 56 Squad
- 57 Mopey music genre
- 58 Curated list on Bluesky, or the first word of 17-, 24-, 36- or 48-Across
- 61 Loved ones, for short
- 62 It's meant to be
- 63 Epitome of happiness
- 64 U-turn from NNW
- 65 Glacier-climbing tool
- 66 Charitable donations
- 10 Dolphins' distances, for short
- 11 "We can work with that"
- 12 Like some peanut butter
- 13 Snag in the plans
- 18 Tie together with twine, maybe
- 22 Digital image format
- 23 Vehicle that makes a lot of stops
- 24 "The ___ of Venus"
- 25 Winter fabric
- 28 Hockey players' protection
- 31 Hairstyle that's short on the sides
- 33 29-Across alternative
- 34 Enlists again
- 35 Makes a selection
- 37 Edit ___ (Wikipedia fights)
- 38 Divulges everything
- 39 It lets you keep an eye on sharp-eyed birds
- 42 "Viva ___ Vegas"
- 43 Alluring scents
- 44 Biological blueprint
- 46 Norse god of thunder
- 48 They know what's cooking
- 49 Visionary?
- 50 Halt
- 51 Buddhist principle of cause and effect
- 53 Pet adoption org.
- 56 Politician
- 58 Follow a snowy trail
- 59 New Mexico's neighbor to the east, briefly
- 60 Dusseldorf distances, for short

Saturday's Puzzle Solved



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Planning Commission (CPC), acting as lead agency, issued a Notice of Completion on December 13, 2024 for a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Coney Development proposal in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law. A public hearing on the DEIS will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 10:00 AM at the City Planning Commission Hearing Room, located at 120 Broadway, Lower Concourse, New York, New York 10271, in conjunction with the CPC's public hearing pursuant to the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP), and Community Reassessment, Impact and Amelioration (CRIA) public forum. Comments are requested on the DEIS and will be accepted through 5:00 PM, Monday March 31, 2025. To continue to allow for broad public participation, New York City (NYC) Department of City Planning (DCP) will hold the public hearing accessible both in-person and remotely via the teleconferencing application Zoom. Anyone attending the meeting in-person is encouraged to wear a mask.

To join the meeting and comment remotely, please visit the NYC Engage site, <https://www.nyc.gov/engage>

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Comments are requested on the DEIS and will be accepted through 5:00 PM, Monday, March 31, 2025. They can be submitted via email to 24DCP129K_DL@planning.nyc.gov or mailed to Stephanie Shellooe, AICP, Director, Environmental Assessment and Review Division, New York City Department of City Planning, 120 Broadway, 31st Floor, New York, New York 10271.

Copies of the DEIS may also be obtained by contacting the Environmental Assessment and Review Division, at the contact address above, by calling (212) 720-3328 or by emailing ssheloee@planning.nyc.gov.

In addition, the DEIS and Final Scope of Work are available for download on the project ZAP page:

<https://zap.planning.nyc.gov/projects/2024K0230>. To view the Coney Development Final Scope of Work, DEIS Notice of Completion and full DEIS and Appendix, navigate to the Coney Development project page in ZAP and select Public Documents, then "Final Scope of Work," "DEIS Notice of Completion" and "DEIS_24DCP129K".

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TSG Coney Island Entertainment Holdco LLC (the "Applicant") is requesting a series of discretionary approvals (the "Proposed Actions") from the CPC, subject to ULURP, which include a City Map amendment pursuant to the New York City (NYC) Charter Section 197(c)(a)(1). In addition to the Proposed City Map and Land Acquisition Action, the Applicant is seeking: (1) a CRIA action from the NYC Department of Transportation (NYCDOT), pursuant to the NYC Administrative Code Section 19-107(b) in order to pedestrianize a portion of Stillwell Avenue between Surf Avenue and Wonder Wheel Way (the "CRIA Action"); (2) pursuing a Public Design Commission (PDC) approval in order to landscape and beautify a portion of Stillwell Avenue between Surf Avenue and Wonder Wheel Way (the "PDC Action"), and (3) a license from the New York State Gaming Facility Location Board, subject to a separate New York State approval process, to operate a gaming facility on the Project Site ("Gaming Facility License"). The Proposed City Map Action, together with the CRIA Action, the PDC Action and the Gaming Facility License are referred to as the "Proposed Actions."

DCP, acting on behalf of the CPC, is the lead agency for the environmental review. Based on the Environmental Assessment Statement (EAS) that has been prepared, the lead agency has determined that the Proposed Actions have the potential to result in significant adverse environmental impacts, requiring that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) be prepared. The 2021 City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) Technical Manual served as a general guide on the methodologies and impact criteria for evaluating the Proposed Project's effects on the various areas of environmental analysis.

The Proposed Project would be constructed in a single phase and would be operational in 2028. Construction would start in 2025 upon the completion of ULURP and issuance of a Gaming Facility License by the New York State Gaming Commission.

The DEIS identifies potential significant adverse impacts related to historic and cultural resources, transportation, and construction (transportation). Mitigation measures to address those impacts, where feasible and/or practical, are proposed in the DEIS.

DCP, as the Lead Agency, will continue to coordinate with interested and involved agencies and further examine and refine these recommended measures between the DEIS and FEIS. If no feasible and practicable mitigation can be identified, the impacts would remain an unavoidable significant adverse impact of the Proposed Actions. The DEIS considered two alternatives – a No Action Alternative and a No Significant Adverse Impact Alternative. Neither of these alternatives would meet the primary objectives of the Proposed Actions, and no feasible alternatives are available that would result in no unmitigated impacts and meet the Proposed Action's goals.

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Foreclosures

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS

BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC,
-against-
SHOLA T AKINBODE, ET AL.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Queens on July 25, 2017, wherein BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff and SHOLA T AKINBODE, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the QUEENS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 88-11 SUTPHIN BLVD, COURTROOM 25, JAMAICA, NY 11435, on March 28, 2025 at 10:00AM, premises known as 114-23 200TH ST, SAINT ALBANS, NY 11412; and the following tax map identification: 11017-64.

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SPORTS

Knicks must explore a KAT-Mitch lineup

Mitchell Robinson made his long-awaited return from offseason ankle surgery on Friday in Memphis — but notably, he never shared the floor with Karl-Anthony Towns.

That projects to change, and fast, for a team that needs to test its best lineups around Robinson against NBA competition — not against itself in practice.

Towns and Robinson headline one of several lineups the Knicks must explore down the stretch as they gear up for the postseason.

Tom Thibodeau has already made it clear that Robinson is viewed as the team's starting center. That means rotations are in flux, roles are shifting, and the Knicks need a complete picture of how Robinson fits into a roster they hope can elevate them into the championship conversation.

Here are three lineups the Knicks must deploy with Robinson on the floor to maximize its title chances.

● **LINEUP 1:**
Robinson + Towns + Anunoby + Bridges + Brunson

This one's all about the two-man game, and no, not the one between the KAT and the Cap.

The Knicks need to see Robinson and Towns in live action because their season may ultimately hinge on their ability to coexist.

Minnesota cracked the code by pairing Towns, an elite scoring big, with Rudy Gobert, a four-time Defensive Player of the Year. The Timberwolves went from a +0.6 net rating in Towns-Gobert minutes in Year 1 to a +8.6 net rating in Year 2 — coinciding with their rise to the NBA's No. 1 defensive rating (108.4 points allowed per 100 possessions).

The Knicks have their own version of the Gobert-Towns setup with Robinson and Towns, plus a pair of aggressive perimeter defenders in OG Anunoby and Mikal Bridges.

Can Robinson replicate Gobert's defensive impact after a pair of ankle surgeries? That remains to be seen, but early returns were promising — the Knicks posted a +11 net rating in Robinson's 12 minutes on the floor in Memphis.

If this lineup clicks, it becomes the Knicks' best shot at contending with the NBA's elite.

● **LINEUP 2: Robinson + Achiuwa + Anunoby + Bridges + Brunson**

Towns will get into foul trouble. That's inevitable. The Knicks need to be prepared for it — especially against bigger teams.

This was the exact scenario in Memphis. Towns picked up two quick fouls, forcing Robinson to check in against 7-foot-4 Zach Edey and Jaren Jackson Jr. Next time, it could be Milwaukee's Brook Lopez and Giannis Antetokounmpo. Or Cleveland's duo of Jarrett Allen and Evan Mobley. Even

the Pacers have Myles Turner and Pascal Siakam, plus the reigning champion Celtics have Jayson Tatum at the four.

Enter this defensive fortress: Robinson at the five, Achiuwa at the four, Anunoby and Bridges locking down the perimeter, with Brunson orchestrating the offense.

Yes, spacing takes a hit with two non-shooters on the floor, but Brunson's ability to get into the lane at will keeps this lineup viable.

More importantly, good luck scoring against it. With Robinson in drop coverage and Achiuwa, Anunoby and Bridges switching screens, the Knicks will have their bases covered, plus all four can serve as a back stop in case Brunson gets beat on defense.

● **LINEUP 3: Robinson + Anunoby + Hart + McBride + Payne**

If Thibodeau reinserts Robinson into the starting five, someone has to move to the bench. Josh Hart is the likeliest candidate. He even floated the idea during the preseason.

That scenario raises an important question: What happens when Robinson checks out?

Hart would likely be the first player off the bench — initially subbing in for Robinson before eventually sharing the floor with him when Towns takes a breather.

This is where Thibodeau's rotations become critical.

In Memphis, Thibodeau's first sub after inserting Robinson was taking out Anunoby for McBride, creating a lineup of Robinson, Bridges, Hart, McBride, and Brunson. That unit struggled on the offensive glass, suggesting that another big like Achiuwa might be needed — but deploying two non-shooters together is a risk.

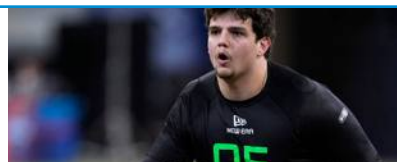
Notably, Robinson and Achiuwa didn't share the floor in Memphis.

Thibodeau played Robinson alongside the non-Towns starters nearly four minutes into the first quarter. Then he went with Deuce in for Anunoby before Robinson went to the bench.

Robinson returned with the starters for the final two minutes of the first half when Towns picked up his third foul. And he checked back in at the 4:12 mark of the third quarter, alongside Anunoby, Bridges, McBride and Brunson.

On the final possession of the third quarter, Thibodeau turned to Robinson alongside Anunoby, Bridges, McBride and Cam Payne. And he used Robinson with Anunoby, Bridges, Hart and McBride when the Knicks needed a stop on the game's last play.

It's clear Thibodeau will prioritize spacing around his defensive anchor. This lineup is all about balancing size, defense, and spacing without sacrificing too much offensive versatility.



WELL-ARMED

LSU's Campbell says worries that his arms are too short for NFL are unfounded

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QUITE A



THE TWEETS

"Steph Curry said (Saturday) was the last dunk of his career. 'I'm calling it right now.' He pointed at Jerry Stackhouse after it because Stackhouse asked him to dunk at shootaround today. He said his knees have been feeling well enough to try it." @anthonyvslater



HURTIN' AGAIN

With Stanton already out for opener, Yanks worry LeMahieu may be missing, too

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PERFORMANCE

Ball breaks free from Karl-Anthony Towns and Heat's Bam Adebayo (L.) in Knicks' comeback victory Sunday night in Miami. AP

Knicks come back from 19 down to beat Heat in overtime

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PHILADELPHIA — You can never count this group of Knicks out, no matter how deep the hole, no matter how daunting the deficit.

Friday in Memphis? They trailed by 12 in the third quarter, didn't take their first lead until midway through the fourth, then closed the game on OG Anunoby's game-winning three and two clutch stops from Mikal Bridges.

Sunday in South Beach? A similar story.

The Knicks faced a Heat squad that had just traded away its best player, All-Star forward Jimmy Butler. Yet it was Miami that came out swinging, burying a barrage of early threes to build a double-digit lead in the first quarter, one that ballooned to 19 late in the first half.

But if there's one thing Miami leads the NBA in this season, it's an obscure category: blown double-digit leads.

And if there's one thing the Knicks have thrived in this season, it's closing games in crunch time.

That combination proved lethal for Miami as the Knicks erased yet another massive deficit, storming back in the second half to steal a 116-112 overtime victory, their 40th win of the season.

The win marked the Knicks' 10th consecutive victory in a game that reached crunch time (defined as the final five minutes of a game within five points). They also improved to 13-3 in games that have been within two points with two minutes to go.

They beat the Grizzlies by one on Friday. The 76ers by five on Wednesday. The Hawks and Bulls in overtime thrillers decided by a single possession.

And Jalen Brunson, the frontrunner for Clutch Player of the Year, was at the center of it all once again. The Knick captain delivered another late-game masterpiece, finishing with a game-high 31 points on 13-of-25 shooting after entering halftime with just five points under Miami's relentless defensive pressure.

"I'm gonna find a way to help this team win. It doesn't matter," Brunson said in his walk-off interview. "We've gotta come out and play Knicks

basketball. We've gotta fight. We didn't do that in the first half. They got the best of us."

Brunson credited a fiery halftime speech from Tom Thibodeau for lighting a spark under the team.

"We know what we're capable of as a team, and Thibs knows that. He just had to remind us," he said. "When we take a slow start, obviously we've gotta come back with some fire. We decided to do that a little late, but we came out of it with a win."

Of course, the win didn't come without drama.

The Knicks had no answer for Bam Adebayo, who torched them for 30 points on 12-of-14 shooting in one of his most efficient performances of the season.

Nor did they have much success scoring inside against rookie big man Kel'el Ware, who swatted six shots and anchored a Miami defense that kept the

Knicks from generating easy looks at the rim.

Yet, for the second game in a row, the Knick bench held its own—a promising sign for a second unit that has ranked dead last in scoring this season.

And once again, Miles McBride was the momentum-shifter, delivering timely plays on both ends of the floor.

The Knicks outscored Miami by 13 points in McBride's 30 minutes. He finished with 12 points and two assists while shooting 3-of-7 from downtown.

And when the Knicks finally took their first lead in regulation, it was McBride who delivered the moment — a pull-up jumper over Tyler Herro with just over three minutes left in the fourth.

Anunoby followed up his game-winner in Memphis with another clutch performance.

He held Herro to 22 points on 8-of-24 shooting, made a key tip-in late in regulation, and stuffed the stat sheet with 23 points, nine rebounds, five assists, three blocks, and two steals.

Karl-Anthony Towns was dominant on the glass, finishing with 19 points and 16 rebounds, while Josh Hart chipped in 14 points, seven boards, and three assists. Given how this team has fought back all season long, don't expect them to back down from whatever challenges await.

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Minter feeling good after 1st live BP session

PORT ST. LUCIE — A.J. Minter is on track to be ready for Opening Day and ahead of schedule with his spring progression. But ultimately, he knows the decision isn't his to make. It's up to the Mets' trainers, doctors and his surgically-repaired left hip.

The left-handed reliever took a key step toward a return from the injury Sunday when he threw a live bullpen session for the first time this spring. Minter will throw to hitters at least one more time before appearing in a Grapefruit League game.

"Physically, I felt good. I guess that's all I can really ask for," Minter said Sunday at Clover park. "And I guess, obviously, I threw a lot of strikes. I think I threw too many strikes. I wish I had gotten a (few) more swings, but this is the competitor to me. I wish I would have gone out there and struck everyone out, but being the first time facing hitters since, you know, August 1, or August 2, I was happy with it. Check the box today onto the next one."

Minter threw roughly 20-25 pitches, with hitters swinging often and early. The 31-year-old missed a few spots and gave up a few hard-hit balls, but he also got a few weak ground balls and some of the swings and misses he was looking for.

However, he was able to trust his body without hesitation, which was a positive step considering this was something he noticed was challenging when he started playing catch again after surgery. Now that he's able to throw without pain, he'll need to focus on his mechanical aspect before making a return to competitive action.

"I'm doing my best to, I think, get in the positions that I want. I think now it's just the reps," Minter said. "Getting the body the reps it needs, the mentally cueing of the mechanics and syncing everything up. I think the timing is off more than anything. But physically, I feel great. I think it's just more of the mechanics. And syncing everything up is where I think I can improve a little bit more."

Minter had his left labrum repaired, as well as a hip impingement and a lesion on his femur removed. Left-handed starter David Peterson also had his left hip labrum repaired in the fall of 2023, and bounced back to have a career year in 2024. Minter is leaning on Peterson heavily for advice, asking him how his hip felt at certain points throughout his recovery.

While everything feels good at the moment, Minter understands this isn't the time to overload himself and race to the finish line. If he has to start the season on the injured list, so be it.

An IL stint earlier in the season is far more

preferable than late in the season during a playoff push.

"I want to be ready, as I get older, I'm a little bit wiser," he said. "In the past, I've rushed through spring trainings and it hurt me during the season. In 2019, I got in a car accident in spring training, got a cortisone shot in my shoulder and rushed back. I missed opening weekend, and I never faced (hitters) and never went on a rehab assignment. I threw two live BPs and rushed back, ended up having a horrible season in 2019, and got sent down..."

"I think learning from the past, you have to get your work in. You can't just rush in and not face live hitters and play games. I mean, it's a different adrenaline rush at a different pace. So we're definitely going to be smart."

Minter signed a two-year, \$22 million contract as a free agent with the Mets over the winter. The contract included a signing bonus of \$1 million and a player option after the 2025 season.

QUICK HITTERS

- Right-hander Blade Tidwell returned from Port Charlotte on Sunday to Port St. Lucie, where the Mets pitchers congratulated him on his immaculate inning against the Rays. Technically, Tidwell corrected them, it was an immaculate 1 ⅓ innings, as he struck out the final four of the six batters he faced, punching each hitter out with only three pitches.

The 23-year-old said he was unaware that he had accomplished the rare feat until he was informed after the game, something his fellow pitchers found incredulous.

- Kodai Senga will make his first Grapefruit League start today against the Marlins. The right-hander is set to throw one inning, then will finish his outing throwing in the bullpen. Peterson will throw in relief in his first Grapefruit League game of the year.

- Infielder Luisangel Acuña was out of the lineup against the Red Sox in Fort Myers, but still worked on defensive drills. He was hit near the elbow with a pitch Saturday, but the Mets still don't seem concerned about any major injury.

- Paul Blackburn had a tough outing against the Red Sox, allowing four earned runs on three hits and two walks over 1 ⅓ innings. The Mets lost, 6-4.

- Second baseman Jeff McNeil went 2-for-3 with a double. The extra-base knock came against right-hander Walker Buehler. Outfielder Jose Siri hit his third home run of spring, a two-out, three-run shot off right-hander Liam Hendricks.



Unlike famous

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TUCSON, Ariz. — It's not the least bit surprising that Jaden Agassi — son of tennis legends Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf — had a racket in his hand from the time he could walk.

The little boy loved to run. He loved to hit the ball. The problem was accuracy wasn't his thing.

"It was hard for me to keep the ball in the lines," Agassi said, laughing. "I just wanted to hit it as far as I could."

So his parents signed him up for baseball. About 20 years later, he's trying to make his own mark

in the sports world.

The 23-year-old Agassi is a pitcher for Team Germany in this week's World Baseball Classic qualifiers in Tucson, Arizona. The right-hander grew up in Las Vegas with his famous American dad and German mother before playing college baseball at USC. He holds dual citizenship and speaks a little German.

The popularity of baseball has grown in Germany over the past few decades, but manager Jendrick Speer was still searching for a few additions to the roster for the WBC qualifiers when he stumbled across Agassi on social



Jaden Agassi (25) son of Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi, hopes to make his mark with Team Germany in world Baseball Classic qualifiers. GETTY

parents, this Agassi serving up fastballs

media and realized his connections to the country.

"I found him because he's a good baseball player," Speer said. "With all the technology out there, we found him while researching and discovered that he had played in college and had citizenship. It worked out great and he's a great guy."

Growing up in the Las Vegas area, Agassi was right in the middle of a baseball hotbed. The metro has produced recent MLB standouts like Bryce Harper, Kris Bryant, Bryson Stott, Paul Sewald, Joey Gallo and Tyler Anderson.

Agassi said his parents never pushed him into tennis, baseball or any other sport because they didn't want to repeat their childhood and teenage years, which were totally consumed by tennis. Instead, he had a relatively normal upbringing and naturally gravitated toward the baseball diamond.

The lanky 6-foot-3 Agassi has had his share of setbacks during his baseball career. He needed Tommy John elbow surgery after his first game in 2019, which caused him to miss his junior season in high school. Then, in 2020, his team played just a handful of

games before COVID-19 shut down sports for the year.

"It almost worked as a blessing in disguise," Agassi said. "I got almost two years to rehab my Tommy John, came back strong and then started my college career at USC."

His three seasons with the Trojans were a little up-and-down. He had a solid year as a sophomore with a 3-2 record and a 4.34 ERA, but after a coaching change, he regressed as a junior with a 9.70 ERA.

He found his footing again in MLB's draft league last summer with a 2.96 ERA and 28

strikeouts over 27 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings. Now he's hoping to latch on to an MLB organization once the WBC qualifiers are over. His stint with Team Germany — which will likely include a bullpen role — is another chance for him to showcase his mid-90s fastball.

"It felt good to find some things that work for me," Agassi said. "Stick on a plan and get 1% better every day."

Agassi doesn't mind that people often ask about his parents or why he doesn't play tennis. His mom won 22 Grand Slam titles while his dad won eight Grand Slams and one of the younger

Agassi's first childhood memories is hugging his dad on the court after he got a big win late in his career.

While neither parent may be a baseball expert, he said they're both supportive of his baseball career and will be in the crowd this week as he pitches for mom's home country with Team Deutschland across his chest.

"As a kid, you're kind of oblivious to the world," Agassi said. "It felt completely normal to me. I got a lot of knowledge and lessons learned from them. Picked up a lot of things and it's been a blessing."



MARCHIN' ON

Already banged-up Yanks limp through spring training hoping to get healthy

BY GARY PHILLIPS
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The Yankees had one major question mark in their lineup when spring training began. Now they have two.

With third base already a concern when camp opened, Giancarlo Stanton reported with tennis elbows after managing the injuries for most of last season. The reveal put the designated hitter's availability for Opening Day in jeopardy right away, and a recent departure from Tampa — Stanton has been dealing with a personal matter in New York — only brought more uncertainty to the slugger's status.

Until Saturday, that is, as the Yankees announced that Stanton will officially begin the season on the injured list. They added that he received PRP injections in both elbows while in New York last week.

While Stanton is expected back in Tampa this week, it will be a bit before he's written into the Yankee lineup. His absence means the Bombers will have some flexibility with the DH spot, though they'd certainly prefer to have Stanton's powerful right-handed swing in a lineup that got a little more left-handed over the winter.

Look for Aaron Boone to get Aaron Judge his fair share of DH days while Stanton is out. Doing so would create more opportunities for backup outfielder Trent Grisham, as he can play center while Cody Bellinger slides over to right.

Paul Goldschmidt, age 37 and accustomed to playing 150-something games per year, would be another logical choice for some DH days. Giving the first baseman a break from the field could lead to more at-bats for Ben Rice, a natural catcher who learned first last year and has enjoyed a hard-hitting spring.

The Yankees could always bring in an external DH — J.D. Martinez is still a free agent — but the club hasn't appeared willing to spend money on its other, older problem:

third base.

After an offseason of rumors connecting them to every available infielder under the sun, the Yankees chose to enter camp with DJ LeMahieu, Oswaldo Cabrera and Oswald Peraza competing for the hot corner.

That group sustained a hit on Saturday, as LeMahieu couldn't make it through his spring debut without suffering a left calf injury after two at-bats. LeMahieu has been hindered by numerous injuries over the last several years, has shown steady decline over that period, and is coming off the worst season of his career. The two-time batting champ is also owed \$30 million over the next two seasons.

On Sunday, LeMahieu said his injury isn't major, but he added that he probably won't be able to return for a bit, per The Bergen Record's Pete Caldera.

That leaves Cabrera and Peraza as the Yankees' primary candidates at third. Jorbit Vivas has also been mentioned as an option, but he's yet to play in a spring game due to shoulder soreness and was already considered a long shot for the job.

Cabrera has the edge when it comes to experience, and he's had some success in the majors over the last three years. However, he's most valuable when he's moving all over the diamond — Cabrera has done everything except catch — and Boone may not want to lock him into one position.

Peraza, on the other hand, has yet to show that he can hit major-league pitching.

The natural shortstop is as sure-handed as they come, though, and he's impressed so far in camp.

Peraza is also out of options and would be exposed to waivers if he doesn't make the Opening Day roster.

Again, the Yankees could seek an external upgrade — Nolan Arenado reignited rumors when he stopped by Steinbrenner Field last week — but the team's incumbent choices are down to two if LeMahieu isn't ready for the start of the season.

Already without slugger Giancarlo Stanton, Aaron Boone would love to have DJ LeMahieu ready for Opening Day, but his status is iffy, too.
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NHL gets set for wild week

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Mikko Rantanen could be on the move again if Carolina cannot sign him to an extension. Brock Nelson, Erik Karlsson and brothers Brayden and Luke Schenn are all in the mix.

Seth Jones, Ryan Lindgren and Gustav Nyquist have already changed teams. And there is still plenty of time before the NHL trade deadline on Friday. Even after a series of deals prior to the 4 Nations Face-Off, the coming week should bring plenty of action.

"The two-dollar answer to the million-dollar question is, 'I'm not sure we know,'" Bill Zito, general manager of the reigning Stanley Cup champion Panthers said earlier in the week before acquiring Jones from Chicago.

Of the league's 32 teams, 25 are either in a playoff position or within four points of a spot. Not all of them are legitimate contenders, but Capitals general manager Chris Patrick wondered if the tightness of races in the Eastern and Western Conferences will affect the volume of moves.



Jimmy Vesey

"There's some teams this year that are kind of in that four-point range of the playoffs that maybe have been sellers for the last couple years and say: 'You know what? We're just going to run with it here and see what we can do, and if we miss, we miss, but I want to give the guys a chance to make it,'" Patrick said. "I'm really not exactly sure what to expect, but it does feel like there's kind of less teams that have come out and said, 'Hey, we're open for business.'"

Late in a horribly disappointing season, the Predators signaled they are open for business by trading Nyquist to the Wild. That came hours after Colorado got Lindgren and Jimmy Vesey from the Rangers, who traded a couple of pending free agents but aren't giving up on the season.

Rantanen went from the Avalanche to the Hurricanes in a three-team blockbuster in January, but the 2022 Cup champion remains the biggest name in trade buzz because he still does not have a contract beyond this season.

Carolina could opt to roll the dice and try to win with him and figure it out before July 1, but if he is available, the suitors from Dallas, to

Edmonton, to Florida will be lining up.

Nelson, another pending unrestricted free-agent forward, is more likely than not to get traded with the Islanders fading from the playoff chase. Same goes for Rickard Rakell of the Penguins, Scott Laughton of the Flyers and Ryan Donato of the Blackhawks.

Kraken center Yanni Gourde — a two-time Cup champion with Tampa Bay in 2020 and '21 — is coming off sports hernia surgery but could be exactly the kind of depth addition that gets a team over the top in the playoffs.

Blues captain Brayden Schenn just played his 1,000th regular-season game in the league, and reports have circulated that teams are interested in acquiring him and defenseman brother Luke, who plays in Nashville, in separate trades.

"Honestly, the times I've gotten traded, I didn't expect to get traded," Brayden said. "So, you really never know."

The Rangers are holding winger Reilly Smith out for trade-related reasons, and Boston has some decisions to make with (injured) captain Brad Marchand and hard-nosed forward Trent Frederic.

Jones to the Panthers for goaltender Spencer Knight and a conditional first-round pick put the wheels in motion and may have set the market rate, though the defense market is far less robust than at forward.

Philadelphia's Rasmus Ristolainen might be the best right-handed shooter at the position available, and he has two years left on his contract. So does three-time Norris Trophy winner Erik Karlsson — at roughly double Ristolainen's salary — and the Penguins should be motivated to move him and get younger.

Montreal's David Savard, a teammate of Gourde's and Luke Schenn's on the Lightning's 2021 Cup run, is among the best rental options on the board.

Knight being part of the return for Jones could open the door for Florida to get another backup for two-time Vezina Trophy winner Sergei Bobrovsky, but after that it's slim pickings in net.

Anaheim's John Gibson is the only No. 1 goalie believed to be available.



QUICK GIVES PREDATORS NOTHING!

Leads Blueshirts to shutout victory in 800th game in net



**Brett Berard (65) celebrates
his third-period goal in
Sunday night's victory at
Garden. GETTY**

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Artemi Panarin, J.T. Miller, K'Andre Miller and Brett Berard scored and Jonathan Quick stopped 35 shots as the Rangers defeated the Predators, 4-0, on Sunday night.

Mika Zibanejad added two assists as the Rangers won for the sixth time in nine games. Nashville lost its second straight and fell to 6-20-4 on the road, keeping it tied with league-worst San Jose for fewest road wins.

Quick — playing his 800th career game — recorded his third shutout this season and the 63rd of his career. The 39-year-old netminder has 402 career wins, moving him past Chris Osgood into 14th place all-time. He recorded 20 saves in the third period.

Panarin wound up and fired a high shot past Nashville netminder Justus Annunen at 8:32 of the opening period. Alexis Lafreniere and newcomer Calvin de Haan assisted on Panarin's team-leading 24th goal.

J.T. Miller made it 2-0 on the power play at 1:02 of the second, tapping home a pass from Panarin for his 15th goal. Panarin leads the Rangers with 61 points.

Defenseman K'Andre Miller added his fifth at 3:25 of the second with assists to J.T. Miller and Zibanejad — who has 15 points in his last 10 games.

Annenun made 30 saves in defeat.

The Rangers won for the third time in four games after starting play after the 4 Nations break with an 8-2 loss at Buffalo.

Nashville has only 21 wins in 60 games.

Panarin's goal established momentum that the Rangers maintained throughout the game.

Panarin became the eighth Ranger with at least four straight 60-point seasons.

The Predators visit Boston on Tuesday. The Rangers host the Islanders tonight.

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GOLDEN KNIGHTS 2, DEVILS 0

Mark Stone and Noah Hanifin each scored a power-play goal in the third period, and the Golden Knights beat the Devils, 2-0, on Sunday night in Las Vegas.

The Golden Knights won for the fifth time in six games. They extended their lead in the Pacific Division to four points over Edmonton.

The Devils fell two points behind Carolina in the Metropolitan after the Hurricanes beat Calgary, 2-1, in overtime.

Both goals came off Hanifin shots from the point, with Stone redirecting the first one and letting the second go past.

Jack Eichel picked up two assists to stretch his single-season franchise record to 26 points on the man advantage. Adin Hill stopped 25 shots for his third shutout this season.

Devils goalie Jacob Markstrom stopped 22 shots in his first game since Jan. 22.

THAT'S A REACH

LSU's Campbell disputes any notion that his arms are too short for NFL

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Will Campbell has a candid answer for NFL scouts who question his measurements.

Go watch the tape.

What they'll find, he contends, is a tackle who has kept draft prospects at arm's length during LSU's practices and throughout Southeastern Conference games for three nearly flawless seasons, helping him make the case to be the first offensive lineman selected in April's draft.

"There's not one play on there that when I get beat you'd say 'Oh, that was because I have shorter arms,'" Campbell said this weekend in Indianapolis. "I don't have stereotypical offensive tackle arms, but you know I'm aware of that and it's something I use every week in my game play and preparation to attack different defenders."

Campbell measured in at a massive 6-foot-6, 319 pounds, but it was his 32 7/8-inch arms that sent shockwaves through the NFL's annual scouting combine. Teams generally want tackles with arms at least 33 inches long.

Though most people may not think a three-eighths of an inch difference matters much among football's big guys, these are the types of things that help team officials separate players and that prompt questions such as whether Campbell may be a better fit at guard.

According to the NFL.com grades, Campbell arrived in Indianapolis tied for second with Kelvin Banks Jr. of Texas among this year's

offensive line group. Tackle Armand Membou of Missouri was ranked No. 1.

But Campbell came here to prove he's second to none.

So unlike most of today's top prospects, who opt to wait until their college pro days to perform on the field, Campbell planned to run the 40-yard dash, compete in the broad jump and go through all position drills.

"I just want to show my athletic ability, versatility, right, left, whatever it might be, whatever they need me to do, I'm going to get out there and do it," he said. "I'm excited to compete."

Scouts certainly will like hearing that comment.

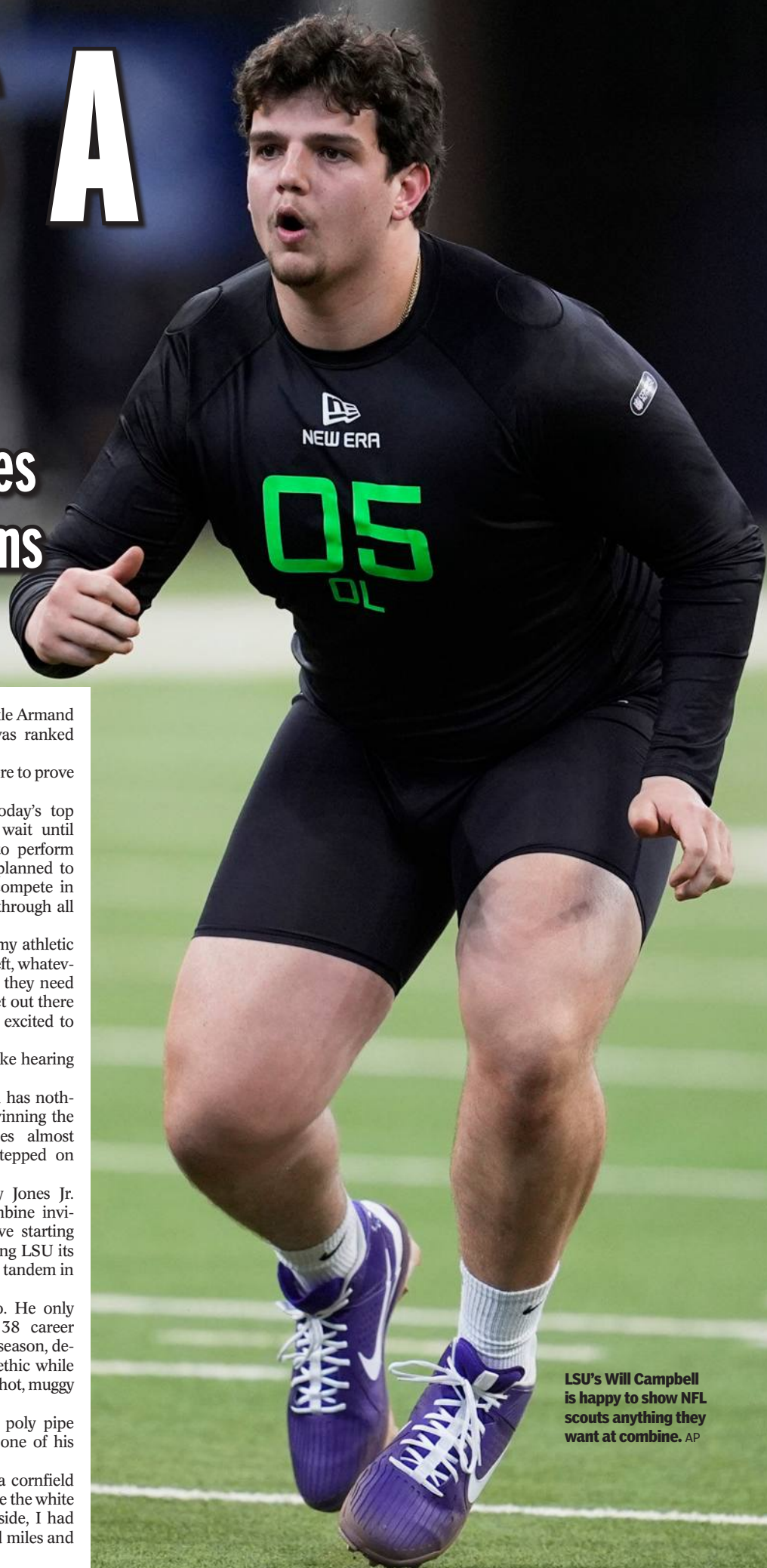
Then again, Campbell has nothing to hide. He's been winning the most competitive battles almost from the moment he stepped on campus.

Campbell and Emery Jones Jr. another of the 329 combine invitees, won their respective starting jobs three years ago, giving LSU its first true freshmen tackle tandem in school history.

Campbell thrived, too. He only allowed five sacks in 38 career starts, including two last season, developing a strong work ethic while working on a farm in the hot, muggy Southern summers.

"Do you know what poly pipe is?" he said, describing one of his many chores.

"If you ever drive by a cornfield or a bean field and you see the white pipe running down the side, I had to roll that out, miles and miles and miles of it."



LSU's Will Campbell is happy to show NFL scouts anything they want at combine. AP



Bueckers joins UConn greats

Paige Bueckers was able to watch her younger teammates put the finishing touches on another perfect run through the Big East schedule.

Then they surrounded her after UConn's 92-57 win over Marquette on Sunday as Bueckers became the latest women's basketball star to see her number added to the Huskies of Honor. Her No. 5 joined the likes of Maya Moore, Breanna Stewart, Diana Taurasi, Rebecca Lobo, Sue Bird and Kerry

B a s - com.

Not long after, she

addressed her legacy after her final regular-season game at UConn.

So how does Bueckers want to be remembered?

"A person who wore the jersey with pride, loved her teammates, loved her coaching staff and enjoyed the journey," Bueckers said. "I just (want to) be remembered for being a great teammate and a great leader."

Bueckers notched 19 points, seven assists, and three steals against Marquette. UConn was 31-1 at Gampel Pavilion when Bueckers was on the court. She has averaged 18.7 points, 4.5 rebounds, 4.4 assists and 2.6



Paige Bueckers (c) watches as her No. 5 joins those of UConn legends Sunday. AP PHOTOS

steals in her 32 games at Gampel.

UConn will host the first and second rounds of the NCAA Tournament. The Big East tournament will also be in Connecticut at Mohegan Sun Arena, so this wasn't really a farewell for the All-American guard.

Before the unveiling of Bueckers' jersey, UConn honored her and seniors Kaitlyn Chen, Azzi Fudd and Aubrey Griffin in a ceremony.

PITT GRIDDER KILLED IN CRASH

Pittsburgh freshman cornerback **Mason Alexander** died Saturday in a car crash in Indiana, authorities said.

Alexander, 18, was a passenger in a vehicle that swerved off the road and struck a tree in Fishers, a northeastern suburb of Indianapolis, according to the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. The car burst into

flames upon impact. Alexander was pronounced dead at the scene.

Alexander was a star at Hamilton Southeastern High School in Fishers. He signed with the Panthers in December and enrolled at Pitt in January.

Panthers coach **Pat Narduzzi** said in a statement that Alexander "made a great impression on all of us" during his short time with the program.

"Mason was proud and excited to be a Panther, and we felt the same way about having him in our Pitt family," Narduzzi said. "He will always be a Panther to us."

HIGHSMITH TAKES COGNIZANT

Two days after **Joe Highsmith** made a nervy par putt to make the cut, he won the Cognizant Classic with the lowest weekend ever at PGA National and is going to the Masters.

Highsmith rallied from a four-shot deficit Sunday with three straight birdies around the turn and a 20-foot birdie putt on the par-3 17th that all but clinched it, giving him another 6-under 64 to win his first PGA Tour title by two shots.

"Winning was the last thing on my mind," Highsmith said. "It's incredible to come out on top. I played probably the best round of my life."

SPORTSwire

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Boston	43	18	.705	—	7-3	W-1	19-11	24-7	31-11
New York	40	20	.667	2½	7-3	W-3	21-10	19-10	28-13
Philadelphia	21	38	.356	21	1-9	W-1	11-20	10-18	14-24
Brooklyn	21	39	.350	21½	4-6	L-4	9-20	12-19	12-26
Toronto	19	42	.311	24	3-7	W-1	13-19	6-23	12-28
SOUTHEAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Miami	28	31	.475	—	3-7	L-1	14-12	13-19	17-19
Orlando	29	33	.468	½	4-6	L-3	18-14	11-19	23-18
Atlanta	27	33	.450	1½	4-6	L-2	13-15	14-17	20-17
Charlotte	14	45	.237	14	1-9	L-6	9-21	5-24	7-31
Washington	11	48	.186	17	3-7	W-1	6-25	5-22	9-25
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	CONF
x-Cleveland	50	10	.833	—	10-0	W-10	28-4	22-6	33-7
Milwaukee	34	25	.576	15½	7-3	W-2	20-9	13-16	25-16
Indiana	34	25	.576	15½	6-4	W-1	18-9	15-15	20-17
Detroit	34	27	.557	16½	9-1	W-1	17-14	17-13	24-20
Chicago	24	37	.393	26½	2-8	L-1	11-21	13-16	19-22

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Memphis	38	22	.633	—	4-6	L-2	22-8	16-14	21-15
Houston	37	23	.617	1	5-5	L-1	20-10	17-12	22-15
Dallas	32	29	.525	6½	6-4	L-1	19-12	13-17	22-20
San Antonio	25	34	.424	12½	3-7	L-1	14-14	10-19	18-22
New Orleans	17	44	.279	21½	5-5	W-1	11-19	6-25	11-28
NORTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Oklahoma City	49	11	.817	—	8-2	W-3	25-4	23-7	28-10
Denver	39	22	.639	10½	7-3	L-1	20-9	19-13	22-13
Minnesota	32	29	.525	17½	4-6	L-2	16-14	16-15	24-18
Portland	27	34	.443	22½	5-5	L-1	16-14	11-20	15-28
Utah	15	45	.250	34	3-7	L-1	8-23	7-22	7-36
PACIFIC	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY	CONF
L.A. Lakers	37	21	.638	—	8-2	W-5	22-7	15-14	25-12
L.A. Clippers	32	27	.542	5½	4-6	L-1	19-10	13-17	20-19
Golden State	32	28	.533	6	7-3	L-1	17-13	15-15	20-19
Sacramento	31	28	.525	6½	6-4	W-3	15-14	16-14	21-19
Phoenix	28	32	.467	10	3-7	W-1	17-12	11-20	18-20

x-clinched playoff spot

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

New York 116, Miami 112 (OT)
Boston 110, Denver 103
Cleveland 133, Portland 129 (OT)
Indiana 127, Chicago 112
Toronto 104, Orlando 102
Oklahoma City 146, San Antonio 132
New Orleans 128, Utah 121
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, late
Minnesota at Phoenix, late

MONDAY'S GAMES

Golden State at Charlotte, 7p.m.
Portland at Philadelphia, 7p.m.
Washington at Miami, 7:30p.m.
Atlanta at Memphis, 8p.m.
Houston at Oklahoma City, 8p.m.
Sacramento at Dallas, 8:30p.m.
Detroit at Utah, 9p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Houston at Indiana, 7p.m.
Toronto at Orlando, 7p.m.
Golden State at New York, 7:30p.m.
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:30p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 8p.m.
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 8p.m.
Brooklyn at San Antonio, 8:30p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 10p.m.
New Orleans at L.A. Lakers, 10:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Miami at Cleveland, 7p.m.
Minnesota at Charlotte, 7p.m.
Portland at Boston, 7p.m.
Utah at Washington, 7p.m.
Dallas at Milwaukee, 8p.m.
Sacramento at Denver, 9p.m.
Oklahoma City at Memphis, 9:30p.m.
Detroit at L.A. Clippers, 10:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Detroit 115, Brooklyn 94
Washington 113, Charlotte 100
Sacramento 113, Houston 103
San Antonio 130, Memphis 128
Milwaukee 132, Dallas 117
Philadelphia 126, Golden State 119

KEY DATES

April 1: NBA G League Playoffs begins
April 13: NBA Regular Season ends.
Seven Eastern Conference games to tip-off at 1 p.m.
The one cross-conference and seven Western Conference games to tip-off at 3:30 p.m.
April 14: Rosters set for NBA Playoffs 2025
April 15-18: SoFi Play-In Tournament

April 19: NBA Playoffs 2025 begin
May 5-6: Conference Semifinals begin
May TBD: Western Conference Finals games will air on ESPN and/or Ch. 7.
Eastern Conference Finals games will air on TNT.
June 5: NBA Finals 2025. All games will be televised on Ch. 7.

Boston 110, Denver 103

SUNDAY'S RESULT

DENVER	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Braun	46:48	10-22	2-2	0-6	3	2	24
Porter Jr.	39:39	3-9	2-4	0-5	2	2	10
Jokic	39:23	9-15	0-0	3-14	9	2	20
Murray	39:31	11-20	2-2	2-6	7	3	26
Westbrook	35:44	5-13	0-1	1-3	6	3	12
Strawther	14:16	1-4	2-2	0-0	1	4	1
Jordan	8:37	0-1	1-2	2-3	0	0	1
Nnaji	8:21	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	4	3
Pickett	7:41	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	3
Totals	240:0041-86	9-13	8-38	27	18	103	

Percentages: FG .477, FT .692
3-Point Goals: 12-35, .343 (Jokic 2-3, Porter Jr. 2-6, Murray 2-7, Braun 2-8, Westbrook 2-8, Nnaji 1-1, Pickett 1-1, Strawther 0-1)
Team Rebounds: 8; **Team Turnovers:** 1
Blocked Shots: 2 (Braun, Westbrook)
Turnovers: 11 (Murray 3, Westbrook 3, Jokic 2, Braun, Porter Jr., Strawther)
Steals: 11 (Braun 4, Jokic 2, Westbrook 2, Murray, Nnaji, Porter Jr.)
Technical Fouls: coach Michael Malone, 11:37 third

BOSTON	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Horford	34:57	7-12	4-4	3-8	0	1	19
Tatum	38:17	4-15	7-8	0-11	7	5	16
Kornet	30:46	3-5	2-4	1-1	4	2	8
Brown	36:36	6-15	8-9	0-5	8	2	22
White	33:17	6-13	0-0	1-3	2	2	17
Pritchard	25:47	4-7	0-0	0-1	3	1	11
Hauser	17:19	3-4	0-0	1-3	1	0	8
Queta	16:41	4-5	0-0	3-10	1	4	8
Craig	6:20	0-2	1-2	1-3	0	1	1
Totals	240:0037-7822-2710-45	26	18	110			

Percentages: FG .474, FT .815
3-Point Goals: 14-34, .412 (White 5-11, Pritchard 3-5, Hauser 2-3, Brown 2-4, Horford 1-3, Tatum 1-7, Craig 0-1)
Team Rebounds: 4
Blocked Shots: 4 (Brown 2, Hauser, Kornet)
Turnovers: 14 (Tatum 6, Brown 5, Horford 2, Hauser)
Steals: 7 (Horford 3, Brown 2, White 2)

A—19,156(18,624). T—2:18

N.Y. Knicks 116, Miami 112 (OT)

SUNDAY'S RESULT

NEW YORK	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Anunoby	42:58	9-18	1-2	3-9	5	1	23
Hart	43:06	7-12	0-0	0-7	3	0	14
Towns	39:45	6-11	6-7	4-16	0	4	19
Bridges	28:29	2-11	0-0	1-4	8	0	5
Brunson	42:24	13-25	2-4	1-5	6	5	31
McBride	30:28	4-10	1-2	0-2	2	2	12
Shamet	14:25	2-4	0-0	0-0	0	2	5
M.Robinson	13:15	1-1	0-0	2-2	0	1	2
Payne	10:10	2-3	0-0	0-1	3	1	5
Totals	265:0046-9510-1511-46	27	16	116			

Percentages: FG .484, FT .667
3-Point Goals: 14-44, .318 (Anunoby 4-9, McBride 3-7, Brunson 3-11, Payne 1-2, Shamet 1-3, Towns 1-4, Bridges 1-6, Hart 0-2)
Team Rebounds: 12
Team Turnovers: 3
Blocked Shots: 6 (Anunoby 3, Hart, M.Robinson, Towns)
Turnovers: 10 (Brunson 3, Towns 3, Anunoby, Hart, McBride, Shamet)
Steals: 5 (Anunoby 2, Brunson 2, Payne)

MIAMI	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Adebayo	42:16	12-16	6-8	2-7	4	4	30
Burks	24:34	4-5	0-0	0-3	3	0	12
Ware	29:15	6-7	0-0	1-8	0	2	12
Herro	41:00	8-24	4-4	0-4	7	1	22
Mitchell	37:23	5-9	0-2	0-4	5	3	11
Highsmith	37:02	3-5	0-0	0-2	1	4	8
D.Robinson	31:51	4-10	0-0	0-3	5	1	10
Rozier	15:37	2-6	1-2	0-1	3	0	5
Anderson	6:02	1-2	0-0	0-2	1	1	2
Totals	265:0045-8411-16	3-34	29	112			

Percentages: FG .536, FT .688
3-Point Goals: 11-35, .314 (Burks 4-5, Highsmith 2-4, D.Robinson 2-6, Herro 2-11, Mitchell 1-4, Ware 0-1, Adebayo 0-2, Rozier 0-2)
Team Rebounds: 6
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 6 (Ware 6)
Turnovers: 12 (Adebayo 3, Mitchell 3, Highsmith 2, Ware 2, Burks, D.Robinson)
Steals: 5 (Mitchell 2, Adebayo, Burks, Rozier)
Technical Fouls: Rozier, 8:31 fourth

New York	22	23	36	24	11	—	116
Miami	27	35	25	18	7	—	112

A—19,725(19,600). T—2:32

Okla. City 146, San Antonio 132

SUNDAY'S RESULT

OKLA. CITY	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Dort	23:30	4-9	0-0	4-9	2	2	9
Jal.Williams	32:56	15-24	7-7	0-6	7	2	41
Hartenstein	28:58	5-8	0-0	3-11	6	2	10
Gigs-Alexdr	31:48	10-19	8-9	2-4	8	1	31
Wallace	34:46	7-14	1-1	0-3	4	2	19
Wiggins	24:07	6-12	0-2	0-3	2	2	17
Caruso	20:15	4-7	1-1	1-1	2	0	10
Dieng	16:12	3-5	0-0	0-2	1	1	7
Jay.Williams	13:27	1-3	0-0	1-3	1	1	2
K.Williams	10:07	0-0	0-0	1-3	1	1	0
Ducas	1:57	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Jones	1:57	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	240:0055-10117-2012-4534	16	146				

Percentages: FG .545, FT .850
3-Point Goals: 19-44, .432 (Wiggins 5-8, Jal.Williams 4-8, Wallace 4-8, Gilgeous-Alexander 3-5, Dieng 1-3, Caruso 1-4, Dort 1-6, Jay.Williams 0-2)
Team Rebounds: 6
Blocked Shots: 6 (Gilgeous-Alexander 2, Caruso, Dieng, Hartenstein, Jal.Williams)
Turnovers: 7 (Hartenstein 2, Wiggins 2, Caruso, Ducas, Wallace)
Steals: 7 (Caruso, Dort, Gilgeous-Alexander, Jal.Williams, K.Williams, Wallace, Wiggins)
Technical Fouls: Williams, 3:00 third; Dort, 3:00 third

SAN ANT.	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Barnes	28:43	5-9	1-2	0-1	2	1	14
Vassell	32:43	7-16	0-0	0-3	5	1	15
Byombo	18:20	1-2	0-0	2-4	2	2	2
Fox	33:51	8-18	2-2	0-4	4	3	20
Paul	28:14	2-2	0-0	0-3	6	1	6
Castle	31:56	12-21	4-7	4-8	3	2	32
Sochan	24:30	7-9	2-2	0-4	4	1	17
Johnson	19:13	3-5	0-0	0-6	5	7	8
Champagnie	10:49	3-4	0-0	0-2	0	8	8
Wesley	2:21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Branham	2:20	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	3
Duke Jr.	2:20	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Mmklshvili	2:20	1-2	2-2	0-0	0	5	5
McLaughlin	2:20	1-1	1-1	0-0	2	0	3
Totals	240:0051-9112-16	6-35	36	17	132		

Percentages: FG .560, FT .750
3-Point Goals: 18-43, .419 (Castle 4-10, Barnes 3-5, Paul 2-2, Champagnie 2-3, Fox 2-8, Branham 1-2, Johnson 1-2, Mamuke-lashvili 1-2, Sochan 1-2, Vassell 1-7)
Team Rebounds: 7
Team Turnovers: 1
Blocked Shots: 3 (Paul, Sochan, Vassell)
Turnovers: 12 (Castle 4, Sochan 3, Johnson 2, Champagnie, Fox, Paul)
Steals: 2 (Sochan, Vassell)
Technical Fouls: Champagnie, 3:00 third; Sochan, 3:00 third

Oklahoma City	41	31	36	38	—	146
San Antonio	38	39	23	32	—	132

A—17,745(18,581). T—2:21

Indiana 127, Chicago 112

SUNDAY'S RESULT

CHICAGO	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	PTS
Buzelis	30:13	8-16	0-0	2-6	3	2	18
Terry	18:37	1-5	0-0	0-1	1	1	2
Collins	29:10	6-9	2-2	2-5	2	1	16
Giddey	33:51	5-15	8-11	3-9	7	1	18
White	34:24	10-18	2-2	1-7	1	2	26
Jones	26:59	5-6	1-1	0-0	6	3	11
Phillips	20:20	1-3	1-2	2-4	0	1	3
Smith	17:48	4-7	0-0	2-6	2	2	10
Hrtn-Tckr	14:50	3-6	0-0	0-3	1	2	6
Carter	13:48	1-3	0-0	0-1	1	2	2
Totals	240:0044-8814-1812-42	24	17	112			

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NHL									
EASTERN CONFERENCE									
ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		

Toronto	60	38	20	2	78	194	172		
Florida	61	37	21	3	77	204	171		
Tampa Bay	59	35	20	4	74	211	156		
Detroit	60	30	24	6	66	176	191		
Ottawa	59	30	25	4	64	166	168		
Boston	62	28	26	8	64	167	195		
Montreal	60	29	26	5	63	180	201		
Buffalo	58	24	29	5	53	186	198		

METRO.	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Washington	60	38	14	8	84	215	157		
Carolina	61	35	21	3	77	204	170		
New Jersey	62	33	23	6	72	186	154		
Columbus	60	30	22	8	68	205	196		
N.Y. Rangers	60	30	26	4	64	183	183		
Philadelphia	61	27	26	8	62	180	202		
N.Y. Islanders	59	27	25	7	61	165	176		
Pittsburgh	63	24	29	10	58	183	233		

WESTERN CONFERENCE									
CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Winnipeg	61	42	15	4	88	214	143		
Dallas	60	39	19	2	80	206	155		
Minnesota	61	35	22	4	74	173	176		
Colorado	61	35	24	2	72	198	182		
St. Louis	62	29	27	6	64	179	187		
Utah	61	27	25	9	63	172	181		
Nashville	60	21	32	7	49	153	201		
Chicago	60	18	35	7	43	164	213		

PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Vegas	60	36	18	6	78	199	166		
Edmonton	60	35	21	4	74	195	174		
Los Angeles	58	31	19	8	70	166	154		
Calgary	60	28	23	9	65	155	176		
Vancouver	60	27	22	11	65	165	184		
Anaheim	59	26	26	7	59	154	183		
Seattle	61	26	31	4	56	180	198		
San Jose	61	15	37	9	39	157	230		

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

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

N.Y. Rangers 4, Nashville 0
Vegas 2, New Jersey 0
Toronto 6, Pittsburgh 5 (OT)
Minnesota 1, Boston 0
Carolina 2, Calgary 1 (OT)
Dallas 6, St. Louis 3

MONDAY'S GAMES

Ottawa at Washington, 6:30p.m.
Buffalo at Montreal, 7p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at N.Y. Rangers, 7p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 7p.m.
San Jose at Toronto, 7:30p.m.
Los Angeles at Chicago, 8:30p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Calgary at Philadelphia, 7p.m.
Carolina at Detroit, 7p.m.
Columbus at Tampa Bay, 7p.m.
Nashville at Boston, 7p.m.
San Jose at Buffalo, 7p.m.
Winnipeg at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30p.m.
New Jersey at Dallas, 8p.m.
Anaheim at Edmonton, 9p.m.
Pittsburgh at Colorado, 9p.m.
Minnesota at Seattle, 10p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Ottawa at Chicago, 7:30p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30p.m.
Toronto at Vegas, 10p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 10:30p.m.
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

N.Y. Islanders 7, Nashville 4
New Jersey 3, Utah 1
Tampa Bay 3, Washington 1
Florida 3, Calgary 0
Boston 3, Pittsburgh 2
Columbus 5, Detroit 3
Edmonton 3, Carolina 1
Ottawa 5, San Jose 3
Philadelphia 2, Winnipeg 1 (SO)
Montreal 4, Buffalo 2
St. Louis 4, Los Angeles 1
Seattle 6, Vancouver 3
Chicago 6, Anaheim 3

PWHL

TEAM	GP	W	L	OW	OL	PT	GF	GA
Montreal	19	10	4	4	1	39	54	43
Toronto	21	8	7	2	4	32	55	55
Boston	20	6	6	5	3	31	51	46
Minnesota	20	6	7	4	3	29	57	57
Ottawa	20	7	8	1	4	27	47	53
New York	20	4	9	3	4	22	47	57

SUNDAY'S GAMES

No games scheduled

MONDAY'S GAMES

No games scheduled

SATURDAY'S RESULT

Montreal 3, Boston 2 (OT)

N.Y. Rangers 4, Nashville 0

SUNDAY'S RESULT

Nashville	0	0	0	—	0
N.Y. Rangers	1	2	1	—	4

First Period: 1, N.Y. Rangers, Panarin 24 (de Haan, Lafreniere), 8:32
Penalties: Smith, NSH (Hooking), 0:19; Rempe, NYR (Elbowing), 4:07; Rempe, NYR (Fighting), 4:07; Englund, NSH (Instigator), 4:07; Englund, NSH (Fighting), 4:07; Englund, NSH (Instigator), 4:07; Stamkos, NSH (Tripping), 8:51
Second Period: 2, N.Y. Rangers, J.Miller 15 (Panarin, Zibanejad), 1:02 (pp). 3, N.Y. Rangers, K.Miller 5 (J.Miller, Zibanejad), 3:25
Penalties: Marchessault, NSH (Tripping), 0:26; de Haan, NYR (Delay of Game), 6:37; Barron, NSH (Delay of Game), 9:55
Third Period: 4, N.Y. Rangers, Berard 4 (Carrick), 16:57
Penalties: Carrick, NYR (Interference), 3:41; Blankenburg, NSH (Hooking), 5:00
Shots on Goal: Nashville 6-9-20—35; N.Y. Rangers 15-13-6—34
Power-play opportunities: Nashville 0 of 2; N.Y. Rangers 1 of 5
Goalies: Nashville, Annunen 13-9-0 (34 shots-30 saves); N.Y. Rangers, Quick 9-5-2 (35-35)
A: 17,336 (18,006); **T:** 2:32
Referees: Frederick L'Ecuyer, Brandon Schrader
Linesmen: Steve Barton, Devin Berg

Toronto 6, Pittsburgh 5 (OT)

SUNDAY'S RESULT

Toronto	2	3	0	1	—	6
Pittsburgh	3	1	1	0	—	5

First Period: 1, Toronto, Domi 4 (Robertson, McManis), 2:15; 2, Toronto, Timmins 2 (Holmberg, Nylander), 4:39. 3, Pittsburgh, Glass 4 (Lizotte, Shea), 10:27. 4, Pittsburgh, Rakell 27 (Grzelcyk, Crosby), 11:29. 5, Pittsburgh, Crosby 19 (Rust, Karlsson), 13:51 (pp)
Penalties: Domi, TOR (Slashing), 13:08; Domi, TOR (Tripping), 15:45
Second Period: 6, Toronto, Matthews 22 (Marner, Knies), 4:08; 7, Pittsburgh, Rust 21 (Karlsson, Crosby), 15:38. 8, Toronto, Tavares 23 (McCabe), 19:04. 9, Toronto, Knies 23, 19:59
Penalties: Letang, PIT (Tripping), 8:01
Third Period: 10, Pittsburgh, Rakell 28 (Shea, Letang), 0:10
Penalties: None
Overtime: 11, Toronto, Nylander 35 (Rielly), 1:00
Penalties: None
Shots on Goal: TOR 13-11-8-1—33; PIT 17-11-6-0—34
Power-play opportunities: TOR 0 of 1; PIT 1 of 2
Goalies: TOR, Wolf 21-11-0 (34 shots-29 saves); PIT, Blomqvist 4-9-1 (33-27)
A: 16,284 (18,387); **T:** 2:26
Referees: Pierre Lambert, Jon McIsaac
Linesmen: Ryan Gibbons, Brad Kovachik

Minnesota 1, Boston 0

SUNDAY'S RESULT

Boston	0	0	0	—	0
Minnesota	0	1	0	—	1

First Period: None
Penalties: Foligno, MIN (Fighting), 9:38; Kastelic, BOS (Fighting), 9:38
Second Period: 1, Minnesota, Gaudreau 13 (Johansson, Zuccarello), 5:01
Penalties: Trenin, MIN (Tripping), 6:17; Merkulov, BOS (Holding), 9:46; Beecher, BOS (Hooking), 11:37
Third Period: None
Penalties: Trenin, MIN (High Sticking), 4:39
Shots on Goal: BOS 8-7-13—28; MIN 5-11-6—22
Power-play opportunities: BOS 0 of 2; MIN 0 of 2
Goalies: BOS, Swayman 18-18-6 (22 shots, 21 saves); MIN, Gustavsson 23-13-3 (28-28)
A: 18,447 (18,064); **T:** 2:21
Refs: Furman South, Francois St. Laurent
Linesmen: Scott Cherrey, Derek Nansen

Carolina 2, Calgary 1 (OT)

SUNDAY'S RESULT

Calgary	0	0	1	0	—	1
Carolina	0	1	0	1	—	2

First Period: None
Penalties: Huberdeau, CGY (Tripping), 0:33; Pospisil, CGY (Hooking), 10:16; Walker, CAR (Hooking), 13:48
Second Period: 1, Carolina, Slavin 6 (Blake), 19:25
Penalties: Gostisbehere, CAR (Holding), 9:02; Miromanov, CGY (Delay of Game), 14:04; Kadri, CGY (Unsportsmanlike Conduct), 19:25
Third Period: 2, Calgary, Kadri 21 (Huberdeau, Weegar), 7:06 (pp)
Penalties: Hall, CAR (Tripping), 5:02; Aho, CAR (Hooking), 6:20; Coleman, CGY (High Sticking), 15:17; Svechnikov, CAR (Fighting), 15:17; Hanley, CGY (Fighting), 15:17
Overtime: 3, Carolina, Aho 23 (Slavin, Blake), 3:16
Penalties: None
Shots on Goal: CGY 1-8-7-0—16; CAR 12-7-11-4—34
Power-play opportunities: CGY 1 of 4; CAR 0 of 6
Goalies: CGY, Wolf 20-12-4 (34 shots-32 saves); CAR, Kochetkov 22-11-3 (16-15)
A: 18,700 (18,680); **T:** 2:39
Referees: Brandon Blandina, Mike Markovic
Linesmen: Ryan Jackson, Libor Suchanek

Vegas 2, New Jersey 0

SUNDAY'S RESULT

New Jersey	0	0	0	—	0
Vegas	0	0	2	—	2

First Period: None
Penalties: None
Second Period: None
Penalties: None
Third Period: 1, Vegas, Stone 16 (Hanifin, Eichel), 1:27 (pp); 2, Vegas, Hanifin 7 (Eichel), 9:10 (pp)
Penalties: J.Hughes, NJ (Interference), 1:12; New Jersey bench, served by Cotter (Too Many Men on the Ice), 8:46; Lavoie, LV (Slashing), 14:45; Palat, NJ (Tripping), 17:00; New Jersey bench, served by Mercer (), 18:12; New Jersey bench penalty (Misconduct), 18:12
Shots on Goal: New Jersey 8-8-9—25; Vegas 7-8-9—24
Power-play opportunities: New Jersey 0 of 1; Vegas 2 of 4
Goalies: New Jersey, Markstrom 21-10-5 (24 shots-22 saves); Vegas, Hill 22-10-4 (25-25)
A: 17,941 (17,367); **T:** 2:26
Referees: TJ Luxmore, Wes McCauley
Linesmen: Kilian McNamara, Kiel Murchison

Dallas 6, St. Louis 3

SUNDAY'S RESULT

St. Louis	2	1	0	—	3
Dallas	3	1	2	—	6

First Period: 1, Dallas, Marchment 15 (Bourque, Granlund), 1:56 (pp); 2, St. Louis, Bolduc 10 (Broberg, Sundqvist), 3:22. 3, Dallas, Duchene 25 (Ceci, Marchment), 13:28. 4, St. Louis, Holloway 20 (Kyrrou, Schenn), 18:34 (pp). 5, Dallas, Johnston 19 (Hintz, Harley), 19:58 (pp)
Penalties: Faksa, STL (Boarding), 0:13; Ceci, DAL (Slashing), 17:23; Buchnevich, STL (Hooking), 19:13
Second Period: 6, Dallas, Hintz 24 (Robertson, Stankoven), 1:06; 7, St. Louis, Walker 7 (Thomas, Toropchenko), 8:02
Penalties: Stankoven, DAL (High Sticking), 8:11; Hintz, DAL (Tripping), 17:57
Third Period: 8, Dallas, Johnston 20 (Duchene, Hintz), 9:14 (pp); 9, Dallas, Johnston 21 (Harley, Hintz), 11:11 (pp)
Penalties: Kyrrou, STL (Tripping), 8:23; Kyrrou, STL (Hooking), 11:03
Shots on Goal: St; Louis 14-19-9—42. Dallas 9-7-5—21
Power-play opportunities: St; Louis 1 of 3; Dallas 4 of 4
Goalies: St; Louis, Hofer 11-7-2 (9 shots-6 saves), St. Louis, Binnington 18-20-4 (12-9). Dallas, Oettinger 29-13-2 (42-39)
A: 18,532 (18,532); **T:** 2:35
Referees: Chris Rooney, Carter Sandlak
Linesmen: Caleb Apperson, Bryan Panchich

Ottawa 5, San Jose 3

SATURDAY'S RESULT

San Jose	0	2	1	—	3
Ottawa	1	0	4	—	5

First Period: 1, Ottawa, Pinto 12 (Greig), 11:05 (sh)
Penalties: Highmore, OTT (Holding), 9:49; Dellandrea, SJ (Slashing), 16:29; Walman, SJ (Roughing), 18:01; Tkachuk, OTT (Roughing), 18:01
Second Period: 2, San Jose, Toffoli 22 (Celebrini, Smith), 5:17 (pp); 3, San Jose, Liljegren 5 (Kostin, Wennberg), 9:47 (pp)
Penalties: Tkachuk, OTT (Roughing), 4:45; Dellandrea, SJ (Tripping), 5:53; Chabot, OTT (Holding), 8:35; Ferraro, SJ (Roughing), 19:50
Third Period: 4, Ottawa, Tkachuk 22 (Stutzle, Sanderson), 1:26 (pp); 5, Ottawa, Stutzle 19 (Greig), 3:00. 6, Ottawa, Perron 2 (Batherson, Chabot), 8:31. 7, San Jose, Smith 10 (Eklund, Celebrini), 8:33 (pp). 8, Ottawa, Amadio 6, 19:00 (en)
Penalties: Graf, SJ (Delay of Game), 0:26; Greig, OTT (Tripping), 17:45
Shots on Goal: San Jose 12-10-15—37; Ottawa 8-16-8—32
Power-play opportunities: San Jose 3 of 4; Ottawa 1 of 4
Goalies: San Jose, Vanecsek 3-10-3 (31 shots-27 saves); Ottawa, Ullmark 13-11-2 (37-34)
A: 18,602 (18,572); **T:** 2:32
Referees: Peter MacDougall, Brian Pochmara
Linesmen: Jonathan Deschamps, CJ Murray

SHOTS

Name	Team	GP	S
David Pastrnak	Boston	61	252
Nathan MacKinnon	Colorado	61	247
Brady Tkachuk	Ottawa	57	240
Jack Hughes	New Jersey	61	226
Zach Werenski	Columbus	59	212
Filip Forsberg	Nashville	59	211
Matt Boldy	Minnesota	60	206
Kyle Connor	Winnipeg	61	202
Leon Draisaitl	Edmonton	60	200
Nazem Kadri	Calgary	59	197
Sam Bennett	Florida	59	193
William Nylander	Toronto	59	192
Dylan Larkin	Detroit	60	190
Cale Makar	Colorado	61	190
Nikita Kucherov	Tampa Bay	56	189

N.Y. Islanders 7, Nashville 4

SATURDAY'S RESULT

Nashville	0	2	2	—	4
N.Y. Islanders	3	2	2	—	7

First Period: 1, N.Y. Islanders, Pageau 11 (Cizikas, Boqvist), 2:37. 2, N.Y. Islanders, Palmieri 19 (Boqvist, Nelson), 12:27 (pp). 3, N.Y. Islanders, Horvat 20 (Lee), 19:31
Penalties: Englund, NSH (Cross Checking), 12:17; Smith, NSH (Slashing), 14:56
Second Period: 4, Nashville, Sissons 7, 1:03; 5, N.Y. Islanders, Nelson 18 (Holmstrom), 2:38 (sh). 6, Nashville, Del Gaizo 1 (O'Reilly, Sissons), 4:58. 7, N.Y. Islanders, Nelson 19 (Romanov, Holmstrom), 16:21
Penalties: Cizikas, NYI (Hooking), 2:14; Cizikas, NYI (Tripping), 7:33; Forsberg, NSH (High Sticking), 12:12; Nashville bench, served by Evangelista (Delay of Game), 16:21
Third Period: 8, N.Y. Islanders, Cizikas 5 (Pageau, Fasching), 5:21. 9, Nashville, Smith 3 (Sissons, Del Gaizo), 5:51. 10, Nashville, Smith 4 (Novak), 18:56
Penalties: DeAngelo, NYI (Hooking), 16:54
Shots on Goal: Nashville 3-11-13—27; N.Y. Islanders 19-9-8—36
Power-play opportunities: Nashville 0 of 3; N.Y. Islanders 1 of 4
Goalies: Nashville, Saros 13-25-6 (36 shots-30 saves); N.Y. Islanders, Sorokin 22-18-4 (27-23)
A: 17,255 (17,113); **T:** 2:30
Referees: Mitch Dunning, Pierre Lambert
Linesmen: Shandor Alphonso, Steve Barton

Philadelphia 2, Winnipeg 1 (SO)

SATURDAY'S RESULT

Philadelphia	0	1	0	1	—	2
Winnipeg	1	0	0	0	—	1

Philadelphia won shootout 1-0
First Period: 1, Winnipeg, Scheifele 34 (Vilardi, Connor), 9:58
Penalties: Perfetti, WPG (Slashing), 14:52; Deslauriers, PHI (Fighting), 17:07; Stanley, WPG (Fighting), 17:07
Second Period: 2, Philadelphia, Drysdale 3 (Cates, Seeler), 3:48
Penalties: None
Third Period: None
Penalties: Drysdale, PHI (Tripping), 14:27; Ristolainen, PHI (Hooking), 17:24
Overtime: None
Penalties: None
Shootout: Philadelphia 1 (Konecny NG, Michkov G), Winnipeg 0 (Scheifele NG, Connor NG, Vilardi NG);
Shots on Goal: Philadelphia 14-14-3-1—32; Winnipeg 7-12-9-2—30
Power-play opportunities: Philadelphia 0 of 1; Winnipeg 0 of 2
Goalies: Philadelphia, Fedotov 5-8-3 (30 shots-29 saves); Winnipeg, Hellebuyck 36-7-3 (32-31)
A: 14,436 (15,321); **T:** 2:35
Referees: Dan O'Rourke, Graham Skilliter
Linesmen: Tommy Hughes, Trent Knorr

Montreal 4, Buffalo 2

SATURDAY'S RESULT

Montreal	0	3	1	—	4
Buffalo	0	2	0	—	2

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL: SPRING TRAINING									
AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	Pct	NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	Pct		
Athletics	5	3	.625	Chicago Cubs	8	1	.889		
Toronto	5	3	.625	Atlanta	6	2	.750		
Kansas City	5	4	.556	Colorado	7	3	.700		
Los Angeles Angels	5	4	.556	Pittsburgh	6	3	.667		
Baltimore	4	4	.500	Cincinnati	5	3	.625		
Boston	4	4	.500	San Francisco	5	3	.625		
Detroit	4	4	.500	Washington	5	4	.556		
New York Yankees	4	4	.500	Los Angeles Dodgers	6	6	.500		
Houston	4	5	.444	Philadelphia	4	4	.500		
Texas	4	5	.444	Arizona	4	5	.444		
Minnesota	3	4	.429	Milwaukee	4	5	.444		
Seattle	4	7	.364	New York Mets	4	5	.444		
Tampa Bay	2	5	.286	Miami	3	4	.429		
Cleveland	2	6	.250	St. Louis	3	6	.333		
Chicago White Sox	2	7	.222	San Diego	3	7	.300		

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Boston 6, N.Y. Mets 4
Atlanta 11, N.Y. Yankees 1
Philadelphia (ss) 5, Baltimore 4
Detroit 10, Pittsburgh 4
Washington 4, Houston 3
Tampa Bay 5, Minnesota 5
Toronto 5, Philadelphia (ss) 4
Miami 5, St. Louis 3
L.A. Dodgers (ss) 8, Athletics 4
Texas 6, Arizona 3
San Francisco 9, L.A. Angels 5
L.A. Dodgers (ss) 6, Chicago White Sox 3
Cleveland 12, Milwaukee 12
Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 3
Kansas City 10, San Diego 4
Colorado 6, Seattle 1

MONDAY'S GAMES
Baltimore vs Boston, 1:05p.m.
Detroit vs Toronto, 1:05p.m.
Tampa Bay vs Atlanta, 1:05p.m.
Miami (ss) vs Houston, 1:10p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs Athletics, 3:05p.m.
Kansas City vs Texas, 3:05p.m.
L.A. Angels vs Colorado, 3:10p.m.
Seattle vs Cleveland, 3:10p.m.
Arizona vs Chicago Cubs, 3:10p.m.
N.Y. Mets vs Miami (ss), 6:10p.m.
N.Y. Yankees vs Pittsburgh, 6:35p.m.
Cincinnati vs Milwaukee, 8:05p.m.

Boston 6, N.Y. Mets 4									
SUNDAY'S RESULT									
NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
McNeil 2b	3	1	2	0	Duran lf	3	0	0	0
Villencio 2b	2	0	0	0	Mayer ss	1	0	0	0
Alvarez c	3	0	0	0	Bregman 3b	3	1	2	1
C.Williams c	1	1	1	0	Sogard 1b	1	0	1	0
Winker dh	2	1	1	0	Casas 1b	2	1	0	0
Senger ph-dh	0	0	0	0	Toro 3b	1	0	0	0
Siri cf	2	1	1	3	Story ss	2	2	2	0
J.Williams cf	1	0	0	0	Eaton cf	1	0	0	0
Canario lf	2	0	0	0	Yoshida dh	3	1	2	3
Ritter pr-lf	1	0	1	0	Sabol ph-dh	1	0	0	0
Baty 3b	3	0	0	0	Thompson rf	2	0	0	0
Hernández ss	1	0	0	1	J.Garcia rf	1	0	0	0
J.Young 1b	2	0	0	0	Hamilton 2b	2	0	0	1
Clifford 1b	2	0	0	0	Anthony lf	1	0	0	0
Azocar rf	2	0	0	0	Rafaela cf	2	0	0	0
Ramirez rf	2	0	0	0	K.Campbell 2b	2	0	0	0
Walton ss	2	0	0	0	Narváez c	1	1	0	0
D Ls Snts ss-3b	2	0	0	0	Zavala c	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	33	4	6	4	TOTALS	29	6	7	5

New York	003	000	010	—	4
Boston	401	100	00x	—	6

E: Hartwig (1). **DP:** New York 1, Boston 0. **LOB:** New York 6, Boston 5. **2B:** McNeil (1), Yoshida (1), Story (1). **HR:** Siri (1).

N.Y. METS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Blackburn L,0-1	1½	3	4	4	2	0
Orellana	¾	0	0	0	0	0
Waddell	2	3	2	2	1	1
Cabrera	1	0	0	0	0	2
Gose	1	0	0	0	2	0
Hartwig	1	1	0	0	0	0
R.Garcia	1	0	0	0	0	2

BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Buehler W,1-0	2	1	0	0	0	4
Hendriks H,1	1	3	3	3	0	2
Adams H,1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Bernardino H,1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Weissert H,1	1	0	0	0	1	1
Kelly H,1	1	0	0	0	0	1
i.Campbell H,1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Mills S,1-1	1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP: Buehler (Siri), Cabrera (Story), Weissert (Senger).
Umpires: Home, Manny Gonzalez; First, John Tump-
ner; Second, Clint Vondrak; Third, Tyler Jones.
T: 2:24. **A:** 9,896 (10,823).

METS EXHIBITION GAMES

Mon, Mar 3: vs. Miami, 6:10 p.m.
Tue, Mar 4: at St. Louis, 1:05 p.m.
Thu, Mar 6: vs. Houston, 6:10 p.m.
Fri, Mar 7: at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
Sat, Mar 8: at Miami, 6:40 pm.
Sun, Mar 9: vs. Washington, 1:10 p.m.
Mon, Mar 10: vs. St. Louis, 6:10 p.m.
Tue, Mar 11: at Houston, 1:05 p.m.
Wed, Mar 12: at St. Louis, 1:05 p.m.
Thu, Mar 13: vs. Boston, 1:10 p.m.
Fri, Mar 14: vs. St. Louis, 6:10 p.m.
Sat, Mar 15: at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
Sun, Mar 16: vs. Houston, 1:10 p.m.
Mon, Mar 17: at Miami, 1:10 p.m.
Mon, Mar 17: vs. Tampa Bay, 1:10 p.m.
Wed, Mar 19: at Houston, 6:05 p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Atlanta vs Minnesota, 1:05p.m.
Philadelphia vs N.Y. Yankees, 1:05p.m.
Pittsburgh vs Boston, 1:05p.m.
Tampa Bay vs Detroit, 1:05p.m.
St. Louis (ss) vs N.Y. Mets:1:05p.m.
Washington vs St. Louis (ss), 1:05p.m.
Cleveland vs L.A. Angels, 3:05p.m.
Texas vs Athletics, 3:05p.m.
Chicago Cubs vs San Diego (ss), 3:05p.m.
Colorado vs Cincinnati (ss), 3:10p.m.
San Diego (ss) vs San Francisco, 3:10p.m.
L.A. Dodgers vs Cincinnati (ss), 8:05p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Detroit 1, Philadelphia 0
Boston 8, Minnesota 4
Pittsburgh 5, Baltimore 2
N.Y. Mets 10, Tampa Bay 1
N.Y. Yankees 9, Houston 3
Toronto 1, Atlanta 1
St. Louis 3, Washington (ss) 2
Chicago Cubs (ss) 7, Cleveland 4
L.A. Dodgers 6, San Francisco 5
Cincinnati 7, San Diego 3
L.A. Angels 5, Athletics 0
Milwaukee 9, Texas 4
Chicago White Sox 18, Seattle 9
Arizona 8, Colorado 4
Washington (ss) 7, Miami 0
Chi. Cubs (ss) 11, Kansas City 1

Atlanta 11, N.Y. Yankees 1									
SUNDAY'S RESULT									
NY YANKEES	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Wells c	3	0	1	0	Profar lf	3	1	1	0
R.Hernández c	1	0	0	0	Capel lf	2	2	1	0
Goldschmidt 1b	3	0	1	0	Allen ss	3	0	1	0
R.Arias ss	1	0	0	0	Cairo ss	1	1	0	1
Bellinger cf	3	0	0	0	Riley 3b	3	2	2	2
Jones cf	1	0	0	0	Leblanc 3b	2	1	1	3
Dominguez lf	3	0	0	0	Olson 1b	3	1	1	1
Munguia lf	1	0	1	0	McCabe 1b	1	0	1	2
Pereira dh	3	1	2	0	Cooper dh	3	0	1	1
Flores ph	1	0	0	0	Kilpatrick ph-dh	1	0	0	0
Cabrera ss-1b	1	0	0	0	Baldwin c	3	0	0	0
Hardman 1b	0	0	0	0	León c	1	0	0	0
Reyes 2b	1	0	1	0	White cf	1	0	1	0
Vargas 2b	1	0	1	0	C.Rodriguez cf	2	0	0	0
Ellis rf	3	0	0	0	Kelenic rf	3	1	1	1
Morales rf	1	0	0	0	Paolini rf	1	1	1	0
Peraza 3b	3	0	1	0	E.Arias 2b	2	0	0	0
Escanio 3b	0	0	0	0	L.Williams 2b	2	1	0	0
TOTALS	30	1	7	1	TOTALS	37	11	21	11

New York	000	000	100	—	1
Atlanta	202	000	52x	—	11

E: R.Arias 2 (2), Escanio (1). **DP:** New York 2, Atlanta 2. **LOB:** New York 7, Atlanta 6.
2B: Profar (1), Riley (1), Cooper (1). **HR:** Riley (1), Olson (1), Kelenic (1), Leblanc (1).
SB: Cabrera (1), Pereira (1), L.Williams (1).
SF: Reyes (1).

N.Y. YANKEES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Stroman L,0-1	2½	4	4	4	0	1
Cohen	½	1	0	0	0	0
Winans	3	2	0	0	0	3
W.Rodriguez	½	3	5	1	1	0
Pacheco	¾	0	0	0	1	1
Messinger	1	2	2	0	1	1

ATLANTA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
López W,1-0	1½	1	0	0	2	1
Griswold H,1	½	1	0	0	0	0
Iglesias H,1	1	1	0	0	0	1
Schwellenbach H,1	3	1	0	0	0	3
Perdomo	1	1	1	1	1	1
D.Hernández	1	0	0	0	0	2
Harper	1	2	0	0	1	1

HBP: Stroman (White). **WP:** Messinger, Perdomo.
Umpires: Home, Chad Fairchild; First, Chris Segal;
Second, Junior Valentine; Third, Jeremie Rehak.
T: 2:23. **A:** 7,358 (8,000).

YANKEES EXHIBITION GAMES

Mon, Mar 3: vs. Pittsburgh, 5:35 p.m.
Tue, Mar 4: at Philadelphia, 1:05 p.m.
Thu, Mar 6: vs. Minnesota, 1:05 p.m.
Fri, Mar 7: vs. Toronto, 6:35 p.m.
Sat, Mar 8: at Houston, 6:05 p.m.
Sun, Mar 9: at St. Louis, 1:05 p.m.
Mon, Mar 10: vs. Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
Tue, Mar 11: vs. Baltimore, 1:05 p.m.
Tue, Mar 11: at Pittsburgh, 1:05 p.m.
Thu, Mar 13: st Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
Fri, Mar 14: vs. Philadelphia, 5:35 p.m.
Sat, Mar 15: at Tampa Bay, 1:05 p.m.
Sun, Mar 16: at Tampa Bay (ss), 1:05 p.m.
Sun, Mar 16: at Pittsburgh (ss), 1:05 p.m.
Mon, Mar 17: at Toronto, 1:07 p.m.
Tue, Mar 18: vs. Boston, 1:05 p.m.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED
No. 1 Auburn (27-2) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Texas A&M, Tuesday.
No. 2 Duke (26-3) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Monday.
No. 3 Florida (25-4) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Alabama, Wednesday.
No. 4 Houston (25-4) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas, Monday.
No. 5 Tennessee (24-5) did not play. Next: at Mississippi, Wednesday.
No. 6 Alabama (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Florida, Wednesday.
No. 7 St. John's (26-4) did not play. Next: at No. 21 Marquette, Saturday.
No. 8 Michigan St. (24-5) beat No. 11 Wisconsin 71-62. Next: at Iowa, Thursday.
No. 9 Iowa St. (22-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 25 BYU, Tuesday.
No. 10 Texas Tech (22-7) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Wednesday.
No. 11 Wisconsin (22-7) lost to No. 8 Michigan St. 71-62. Next: at Minnesota, Wednesday.
No. 12 Texas A&M (20-9) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 Auburn, Tuesday.
No. 13 Clemson (24-5) did not play. Next: at Boston College, Wednesday.
No. 14 Missouri (21-8) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Wednesday.
No. 15 Michigan (22-7) lost to Illinois 93-73. Next: vs. No. 16 Maryland, Wednesday.
No. 16 Maryland (22-7) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Michigan, Wednesday.
No. 17 Kentucky (19-10) did not play. Next: vs. LSU, Tuesday.
No. 18 Memphis (24-5) beat UAB 88-81. Next: at UTSA, Tuesday.
No. 19 Louisville (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. California, Wednesday.
No. 20 Purdue (20-9) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Tuesday.
No. 21 Marquette (22-7) did not play. Next: at UConn, Wednesday.
No. 22 Arizona (19-10) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona St., Tuesday.
No. 23 Saint Mary's (Cal.) (27-4) did not play. Next: TBA.
No. 24 Mississippi St. (20-9) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Tuesday.
No. 25 BYU (21-8) did not play. Next: at No. 9 Iowa St., Tuesday.

SUNDAY'S MEN'S SCORES EAST
Cornell 102, Princeton 70
Iona 82, Canisius 52
Manhattan 85, Niagara 70
Merrimack 73, Quinnipiac 63
Mount St. Mary's 85, Siena 79
Sacred Heart 83, Fairfield 62
St. Peter's 57, Marist 52
SOUTH
Belmont 70, Murray St. 60
East Carolina 78, Charlotte 76
FAU 69, South Florida 63
Kennesaw St. 85, Liberty 80
Memphis 88, UAB 81
ASUN TOURNAMENT
Austin Peay 90, N. Florida 69 at Florence, Ala.
Cent. Ark. 77, Stetson 72 at Nashville, Tenn.







MIDWEST
Bradley 73, N. Iowa 56
Drake 68, Missouri St. 60, OT
Ill.-Chicago 77, Valparaiso 73
Illinois 93, Michigan 73
Illinois St. 62, Evansville 53
Indiana St. 95, S. Illinois 77
Kansas St. 65, Colorado 56
Michigan St. 71, Wisconsin 62
SOUTHWEST
UTSA 84, Rice 56
WEST
Hawaii 78, UC Davis 70

MONDAY'S MEN SCHEDULE EAST
Delaware St. at Morgan St., 7:30p.m.
Md.-Eastern Shore at Coppin St., 8p.m.
SOUTH
E. Kentucky at Jacksonville, 7p.m.
Grambling St. at Bethune-Cookman, 7p.m.
Queens (NC) at Florida Gulf Coast, 7p.m.
Southern U. at Florida A&M, 7p.m.
Texas Southern at Alcorn St., 7p.m.
Wake Forest at Duke, 7p.m.
Howard at SC State, 7:30p.m.
Incarnate Word at Northwestern St., 7:30 p.m.
Norfolk St. at NC Central, 7:30p.m.
Prairie View at Jackson St., 9p.m.
MIDWEST
UCLA at Northwestern, 9p.m.
SOUTHWEST
McNeese St. at Stephen F. Austin, 7p.m.
Houston Christian at East Texas A&M, 7:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Texas A&M-CC, 8p.m.
Nicholls at Lamar, 8p.m.
Kansas at Houston, 9p.m.
Wichita St. at North Texas, 9p.m.
WEST
SE Louisiana at UT Rio Grande Valley, 7:30 p.m.
Idaho at Montana St., 9p.m.
N. Arizona at Idaho St., 9p.m.
N. Colorado at Weber St., 9p.m.
Sacramento St. at Portland St., 10p.m.
E. Washington at Montana, 11p.m.

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED
No. 1 Texas (29-2) beat Florida 72-46. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 2 UCLA (27-2) did not play. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 3 Notre Dame (25-4) beat No. 25 Louisville 72-59. Next: TBA.
No. 4 Southern Cal (26-2) did not play. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 5 UConn (28-3) beat Marquette 92-57. Next: TBA.
No. 6 South Carolina (27-3) beat No. 15 Kentucky 78-66. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 7 LSU (27-4) lost to Mississippi 85-77. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 8 North Carolina (25-6) lost to Virginia 78-75. Next: TBA.
No. 9 NC State (24-5) beat SMU 69-45. Next: TBA.
No. 10 TCU (28-3) beat No. 17 Baylor 51-48. Next: TBA.
No. 11 Tennessee (21-8) lost to Georgia 72-69. Next: vs. Texas A&M, Wednesday.
No. 12 Ohio St. (24-5) lost to No. 19 Maryland 93-90, OT. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 13 Oklahoma (23-6) beat No. 20 Alabama 91-84. Next: vs. TBA, Thursday.
No. 14 Kansas St. (25-6) lost to Iowa St. 85-63. Next: TBA.
No. 15 Kentucky (22-6) lost to No. 6 South Carolina 78-66. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 16 Duke (23-7) beat No. 24 Florida St. 71-57. Next: TBA.
No. 17 Baylor (25-6) lost to No. 10 TCU 51-48. Next: TBA.
No. 18 West Virginia (23-6) did not play. Next: TBA.
No. 19 Maryland (23-6) beat No. 12 Ohio St. 93-90, OT. Next: vs. TBA, Friday.
No. 20 Alabama (23-7) lost to No. 13 Oklahoma 91-84. Next: vs. TBA, Thursday.
No. 21 Oklahoma St. (24-5) beat Kansas 57-51. Next: TBA.
No. 22 Creighton (23-5) vs. Villanova. Next: TBA.
No. 23 Michigan St. (21-8) did not play. Next: vs. TBA, Thursday.
No. 24 Florida St. (23-7) lost to No. 16 Duke 71-57. Next: TBA.
No. 25 Louisville (20-9) lost to No. 3 Notre Dame 72-59. Next: TBA.

SUNDAY'S WOMEN'S SCORES EAST
Campbell 56, Drexel 52
Maryland 93, Ohio St. 90, OT
Monmouth (NJ) 63, Stony Brook 56
Rutgers 75, Penn St. 70
Syracuse 82, Boston College 57
UConn 92, Marquette 57
SOUTH
Coll. of Charleston 99, UNC-Wilmington 63
Duke 71, Florida St. 57
Elon 70, NC A&T 69
Georgia 72, Tennessee 69
Houston 68, Northeastern 66
Hopstra 54, William & Mary 34
Mississippi 85, LSU 77
Mississippi St. 73, Auburn 66
Pittsburgh 79, Wake Forest 63
South Carolina 78, Kentucky 66
Virginia 78, North Carolina 75
Virginia Tech 78, Clemson 76
MIDWEST
DePaul 65, St. John's 64, OT
Indiana 77, Purdue 57
Iowa 81, Wisconsin 66
Iowa St. 85, Kansas St. 63
Michigan 78, Illinois 69
Nebraska 98, Northwestern 77
Notre Dame 72, Louisville 59
Oklahoma St. 57, Kansas 51
Seton Hall 59, Xavier 57
Vanderbilt 100, Missouri 59
Villanova at Creighton, late
SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 80, Texas A&M 71
NC State 69, SMU 45
Oklahoma 91, Alabama 84
TCU 51, Baylor

SPORTS CALENDAR

	MON MAR3	TUE MAR4	WED MAR5	THU MAR6	FRI MAR7	SAT MAR8	SUN MAR9
		GS 7:30 P.M. MSG		LAL 10:00 P.M. MSG	LAC 10:30 P.M. MSG		
		SA 8:30 P.M. YES		GS 7:30 P.M. YES		CHA 6:00 P.M. YES	
	NYI 7:00 P.M. MSG		WAS 7:30 P.M. MSG			OTT 12:30 P.M. MSG	CBJ 6:00 P.M. MSG
		DAL 8:00 P.M. ESPN+			WIN 7:00 P.M. MSGSN		PHI 1:00 P.M. TNT
	NYR 7:00 P.M. MSGSN	WIN 7:30 P.M. MSGSN				SJ 10:00 P.M. MSGSN	ANA 9:00 P.M. MSGSN
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MLB
1 p.m.: Red Sox vs. Orioles, ESPN
6 p.m.: Mets vs. Marlins, SNY
6:30 p.m.: Yankees vs. Pirates, YES
8 p.m.: Brewers vs. Reds , MLBNN
BASEBALL

1 p.m.: World Baseball Classic Qualifier: Brazil vs. Germany, Tucson, Ariz. , FS2
1 p.m.: World Baseball Classic Qualifier: Brazil vs. Germany, Tucson, Ariz. , MLBNN
8 p.m.: World Baseball Classic Qualifier: Colombia vs. China, Tucson, Ariz. , FS2
NBA
8 p.m.: Rockets at Thunder, NBATV
3X3 WOMEN'S

7:30 p.m.: Unrivaled Basketball League: Laces vs. Rose, Medley, Fla., TNT
7:30 p.m.: Unrivaled Basketball League: Laces vs. Rose, Medley, Fla. (DataCast), TRUTV
8:45 p.m.: Unrivaled Basketball League: Lunar Owls vs. Phantom, Medley, Fla., TNT

SOCCER

MLS EASTERN	W	L	TPTS	GF	GA	
Philadelphia	2	0	0	6	8	3
Columbus	2	0	0	6	5	2
Charlotte FC	1	0	1	4	4	2
Inter Miami CF	1	0	1	4	6	3
New York	1	1	0	3	2	1
Orlando City	1	1	0	3	6	6
Atlanta	1	1	0	3	3	4
Cincinnati	1	1	0	3	2	4
D.C. United	0	0	2	2	4	4
New York City FC	0	1	1	1	2	3
New England	0	1	1	1	0	1
Chicago	0	1	1	1	4	6
Toronto FC	0	1	1	1	4	6
Nashville	0	1	1	1	0	2
CF Montréal	0	2	0	0	2	4
WESTERN	W	L	TPTS	GF	GA	
San Jose	2	0	0	6	6	1
Vancouver	2	0	0	6	6	2
Los Angeles FC	2	0	0	6	2	0
San Diego FC	1	0	1	4	2	0
FC Dallas	1	0	1	4	5	4
Austin FC	1	1	0	3	1	1
Minnesota United	1	1	0	3	1	1
Portland	1	1	0	3	2	4
Real Salt Lake	1	1	0	3	2	4
Colorado	0	0	2	2	3	3
St Louis City	0	0	2	2	0	0
Seattle	0	1	1	1	2	4
Houston	0	2	0	0	2	6
Sporting KC	0	2	0	0	1	3
LA Galaxy	0	2	0	0	1	4

8:45 p.m.: Unrivaled Basketball League: Lunar Owls vs. Phantom, Medley, Fla. (DataCast), TRUTV
MEN'S BASKETBALL
7 p.m.: Wake Forest at Duke, ESPN
7 p.m.: McNeese St. at Stephen F. Austin, ESPN
9 p.m.: Kansas at Houston, ESPN
9 p.m.: Wichita St. at North Texas, ESPN2
9 p.m.: Prairie View A&M at Jackson St., ESPN
9 p.m.: UCLA at Northwestern, FS1
11 p.m.: Eastern Washington at Montana, ESPN2
NHL
7 p.m.: Rangers vs. Islanders, MSG
MSGSN
GOLF

2:30 p.m.: The Darius Rucker Inter-collegiate: First Round, Long Cove Club, Hilton Head, S.C., GOLF
3 p.m.: TGL: The Bay Golf Club vs. Los Angeles Golf Club, ESPN2
7 p.m.: New York Golf Club vs. Boston Common Golf, ESPN2

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Vancouver 2, LA Galaxy 1
Miami 4, Houston 1

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
New York Red Bulls 2, Nashville 0
Charlotte FC 2, Atlanta 0
Real Salt Lake 2, Seattle 0
Columbus 1, New England 0
Orlando City 4, Toronto FC 2
Philadelphia 4, Cincinnati 1
D.C. United 2, Chicago 2
San Jose 2, Sporting Kansas City 1
Minnesota 1, CF Montréal 0
FC Dallas 3, Colorado 3
Los Angeles FC 1, New York City FC 0
Portland 1, Austin FC 0
St Louis City 0, San Diego FC 0

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE SATURDAY, MARCH 8
Nottingham Forest vs. Man City, 7:30 a.m.
Brighton vs. Fulham, 10a.m.
Crystal Palace vs. Ipswich, 10a.m.
Liverpool vs. Southampton, 10a.m.
Brentford vs. Aston Villa, 12:30p.m.
Wolverhampton vs. Everton, 3p.m.

U.S. WOMEN'S SCHEDULE (2-1-0)
s-Thu, Feb. 20: U.S. 2, Colombia 0
s-Sun, Feb. 23: U.S. 2, Australia 1
s-Wed, Feb. 26: Japan 2, U.S. 1
April 5: vs. Brazil, 5 p.m.
April 8: vs. Brazil, 10:30 p.m
s-SheBelieves Cup

GOLF

PGA COGNIZANT CLASSIC IN THE PALM BEACHES
4th of 4 rounds at PGA National GC Champion Course; Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. : 7,167 yards; Par: 71
265 (-19) (500) \$1,656,000
Joe Highsmith 65-72-64-64
267 (-17) (245) \$818,800
Jacob Bridgeman 68-68-67-64
J.J. Spaun 64-70-67-66
268 (-16) (123) \$414,000
Ben Griffin 68-65-66-69
Max McGreevy 69-68-64-67
269 (-15) (92) \$310,500
Russell Henley 63-70-66-70
Michael Kim 65-66-67-71
Jake Knapp 59-70-68-72
270 (-14) (78) \$259,900
Jordan Spieth 65-70-67-68
Erik Van Rooyen 68-67-70-65
271 (-13) (59) \$184,986
Brice Garnett 66-67-69-69
Doug Ghim 68-63-68-72
Max Greyserman 67-70-68-66
Min Woo Lee 71-65-68-67
Shane Lowry 66-68-70-67
Andrew Putnam 70-67-66-68
Sepp Straka 67-67-67-70
272 (-12) (43) \$117,607
Luke Clanton 67-66-70-69
Rickie Fowler 64-68-68-72
Nicolai Hojgaard 68-68-67-69
Victor Perez 68-68-66-70
Patrick Rodgers 67-69-66-70
Matti Schmid 68-69-68-67
Alex Smalley 70-64-69-69
273 (-11) (31) \$73,271
Daniel Berger 63-68-70-72
Ryan Gerard 68-66-68-71
Rico Hoey 66-69-68-70
Charley Hoffman 65-69-71-68
Billy Horschel 66-70-67-70
Niklas Norgaard Moller 67-70-69-67
Taylor Montgomery 67-65-68-73
274 (-10) (21) \$52,637
Quade Cummins 67-70-67-70
Joel Dahmen 68-66-68-72
Brian Harman 65-68-69-72
Beau Hossler 67-67-70-70
Chan Kim 69-66-68-71
Jesper Svensson 64-67-72-71
Vince Whaley 69-67-67-71
275 (-9) (16) \$41,860
Isaiah Salinda 68-69-69-69
Michael Thorbjornsen 67-67-73-68
Karl Villips 68-67-68-72
276 (-8) (12) \$33,580
Christiaan Bezuidenhout 66-71-72-67
Zach Johnson 66-66-70-74
Keith Mitchell 64-70-71-71
Taylor Moore 69-68-71-68
Matthieu Pavin 66-64-71-75
Jackson Suber 69-66-70-71

LPGA HSBC WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
4th of 4 rounds at The New Tanjong; Sentosa Island, Singapore; 6,779 yards; Par: 72
275 (-13) \$360,000
Lydia Ko 71-67-68-69
279 (-9) \$195,302
Ayaka Furue 71-69-71-68
Jeeno Thitikul 71-72-66-70
281 (-7) \$104,318
Charley Hull 69-70-68-74
Jin Hee Im 72-74-68-67
Gaby Lopez 70-73-68-70
282 (-6) \$59,183
Hannah Green 75-69-67-71
A Lim Kim 68-69-73-72
Hyo Joo Kim 73-66-75-68
Yealimi Noh 72-68-71-71
283 (-5) \$43,503
Hye Jin Choi 70-71-70-72
Minjee Lee 70-72-68-73
Mao Saigo 75-70-68-70
284 (-4) \$35,075
Pajaree Anannarukarn 74-66-70-74
Carlota Ciganda 71-71-72-70
Nasa Hataoka 75-71-68-70
Nanna Koerstz Madsen 71-73-71-69
285 (-3) \$29,581
Lauren Coughlin 74-70-70-71
Jin Young Ko 73-70-72-70
Hae-Ran Ryu 73-68-73-71
286 (-2) \$24,200
Allisen Corpuz 77-68-69-72
Brooke Henderson 74-71-70-71
Mi Hyang Lee 75-68-73-70
Leona Maguire 75-73-69-69
Rio Takeda 75-70-68-73
Miyu Yamashita 73-70-69-74
Amy Yang 71-71-70-74
Ruoning Yin 70-70-72-74
287 (-1) \$18,715
Celine Boutier 72-70-76-69
Moriya Jutanugarn 72-71-72-72
Jennifer Kupcho 76-70-70-71
Lilia Vu 77-68-70-72
Miranda Wang 72-72-70-73
288 (even) \$15,555
Andrea Lee 74-72-70-72
Sarah Schmelzel 73-67-77-71
Shannon Tan 73-72-69-74
Bailey Tardy, 75-71-68-74
289 (+1) \$14,005
Ariya Jutanugarn 72-76-71-70
292 (+4) \$13,137
Auston Kim 78-71-71-72
Lucy Li 74-73-73-72
293 (+5) \$11,651
Linn Grant 73-75-72-73
Ruixin Liu 78-70-73-72
Caroline Masson 74-72-71-76
Albane Valenzuela 75-72-76-70

INVESCO SA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP
3rd of 3 rounds at Durban CC; Durban, South Africa; 6,780 yards; Par: 72
X-won playoff hole
x-Dylan Naidoo 70-61-71—202 -14
Laurie Canter 69-65-68—202 -14
Marco Penge 68-67-68—203 -13
Darren Fichardt 63-70-71—204 -12
Brandon Grace 65-68-71—204 -12
Christiaan Maas 70-64-70—204 -12
Andrea Pavan 67-66-72—205 -11
Dale Whitnell 72-63-70—205 -11
Scott Jamieson 72-66-68—206 -10
Shaun Norris 66-64-76—206 -10
Sam Bairstow 65-66-76—207 -9
Ugo Coussaud 70-68-69—207 -9
Fredrik From 65-67-75—207 -9
Joost Luiten 67-70-70—207 -9
Richard Mansell 71-67-69—207 -9
Jaco Ahlers 70-67-71—208 -8
Jacques Blaauw 69-69-70—208 -8
Todd Clements 66-66-76—208 -8
Nathan Kimsey 70-69-69—208 -8
Jeong-Weon Ko 68-71-69—208 -8
Hao-Tong Li 66-69-73—208 -8
Jayden Trey Schaper 66-69-73—208 -8
Brandon Stone 68-67-73—208 -8
Rhys West 70-64-74—208 -8
Thomas Aiken 68-68-73—209 -7
Ivan Cantero Gutierrez 68-67-74—209 -7
Alejandro Del Rey 74-66-69—209 -7
Gavin Green 70-70-69—209 -7
Kazuma Kobori 67-73-69—209 -7
John Parry 66-69-74—209 -7
Richie Ramsay 66-70-73—209 -7
Kieran Vincent 70-66-73—209 -7
Jamie Donaldson 68-72-70—210 -6
Keith Horne 65-72-73—210 -6
Nikhil Rama 68-67-75—210 -6
JC Ritchie 69-69-72—210 -6
Dean Burmester 69-67-75—211 -5
Aaron Cockerill 69-71-71—211 -5
Jordan Wernberg 68-70-73—211 -5
Jacques Kruijswijk 71-68-72—211 -5
Troy Merritt 69-67-75—211 -5
Yurav Premiall 72-68-71—211 -5
Lyle Rowe 71-68-72—211 -5
Andy Sullivan 71-69-71—211 -5
Martin Vorster 74-66-71—211 -5
Jorge Campillo 69-70-73—212 -4
George Coetzee 71-69-72—212 -4
Manuel Elvira 71-68-73—212 -4
Joel Girschbach 68-65-79—212 -4
Rupert Kaminski 74-66-72—212 -4
David Ravetto 69-69-74—212 -4
Charl Schwartzel 72-65-75—212 -4
Marcel Siem 65-70-77—212 -4
Rafa Cabrera Bello 68-67-78—213 -3
Justin Harding 67-69-77—213 -3
Michael Hollick 73-66-74—213 -3
Richard Sterne 68-72-73—213 -3

AUTO RACING

INDYCAR GRAND PRIX OF ST. PETERSBURG
Sunday at Streets of St. Petersburg (Fla.)
Lap length: 1.8 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (8) Alex Palou, Dallara-Honda, 100 laps, Running.
2. (6) Scott Dixon, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
3. (10) Josef Newgarden, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
4. (1) Scott McLaughlin, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
5. (9) Kyle Kirkwood, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
6. (7) Marcus Ericsson, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
7. (3) Felix Rosenqvist, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
8. (5) Christian Lundgaard, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
9. (12) Rinus VeeKay, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
10. (20) Alexander Rossi, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
11. (23) Pato O'Ward, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
12. (21) Graham Rahal, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
13. (17) David Malukas, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
14. (19) Santino Ferrucci, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
15. (24) Christian Rasmussen, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
16. (2) Colton Herta, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
17. (22) Conor Daly, Dallara-Chevrolet, 100, Running.
18. (15) Kyffin Simpson, Dallara-Honda, 100, Running.
19. (27) Callum Ilott, 100, Running.
20. (18) Robert Schwartzman, 100, Running.
21. (26) Sting Ray Robb, Dallara-Chevrolet, 99, Running.
22. (14) Devlin DeFrancesco, Dallara-Honda, 99, Running.
23. (25) Jacob Abel, 99, Running.
24. (4) Marcus Armstrong, Dallara-Honda, 46,

Did not finish.
25. (11) Nolan Siegal, Dallara-Honda, 0, Did not finish.
26. (13) Will Power, Dallara-Chevrolet, 0, Did not finish.
27. (16) Louis Foster, 0, Did not finish.
RACE STATISTICS
Winner's Average Speed: 97.173 mph.
Time: 01:51:08.5118.
Margin of Victory: 2.8669 seconds.
Cautions: 1 for 6 laps.
Lead Changes: 9 among 7 drivers.
Points: Palou 51, Dixon 41, McLaughlin 36, Newgarden 36, Kirkwood 30, Ericsson 28, Rosenqvist 26, Lundgaard 25, VeeKay 22, Rossi 20.
NASCAR CUP SERIES ECHOPARK AUTOMOTIVE GRAND PRIX
Sunday at Circuits of the Americas, Austin, Texas.
Lap length: 3.41 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (19) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 95 laps, 42 points.
2. (15) William Byron, Chevrolet, 95, 41.
3. (1) Tyler Reddick, Toyota, 95, 39.
4. (3) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 95, 39.
5. (8) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 95, 46.
6. (6) Shane Van Gisbergen, Chevrolet, 95, 45.
7. (24) Chris Buescher, Ford, 95, 30.
8. (17) Noah Gragson, Ford, 95, 29.
9. (21) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 95, 28.
10. (10) Todd Gilliland, Ford, 95, 27.
11. (16) Michael McDowell, Chevrolet, 95, 34.
12. (9) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 95, 25.
13. (4) Carson Hocevar, Chevrolet, 95, 24.
14. (18) Chase Briscoe, Toyota, 95, 23.
15. (26) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 95, 22.
16. (29) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 95, 21.
17. (31) Riley Herbst, Toyota, 95, 20.
18. (22) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, 95, 19.
19. (25) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 95, 27.
20. (2) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 95, 30.
21. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 95, 16.
22. (33) John H. Nemechek, Toyota, 95, 15.
23. (30) Cole Custer, Ford, 95, 14.
24. (23) Joey Logano, Ford, 95, 22.

25. (36) Austin Cindric, Ford, 95, 12.
26. (35) Josh Berry, Ford, 95, 11.
27. (32) Erik Jones, Toyota, 95, 10.
28. (34) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 95, 9.
29. (20) Zane Smith, Ford, 95, 8.
30. (12) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 95, 13.
31. (37) Cody Ware, Ford, 95, 6.
32. (7) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 95, 10.
33. (28) Ryan Preece, Ford, 95, 14.
34. (13) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, 95, 3.
35. (27) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, accident, 80, 2.
36. (5) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, accident, 50, 5.
37. (14) Connor Zilisch, Chevrolet, accident, 49, 0.
RACE STATISTICS
Winner's Average Speed: 73.03 mph.
Time: 3 hours, 7 minutes, 20 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.433 seconds.
Caution Flags: 4 for 15 laps.
Lead Changes: 20 among 9 drivers.
Lap Leaders: T.Reddick 0-8; S.Van Gisbergen 9-17; T.Reddick 18; B.Wallace 19-22; S.Van Gisbergen 23-24; K.Busch 25; S.Van Gisbergen 26; K.Busch 27-34; S.Van Gisbergen 35-42; A.Allmendinger 43; R.Preece 44-46; M.McDowell 47-49; K.Busch 50-53; A.Allmendinger 54; K.Busch 55-68; C.Bell 69-70; S.Van Gisbergen 71-73; K.Busch 74-81; W.Byron 82; K.Busch 83-89; C.Bell 90-95
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): K.Busch, 6 times for 42 laps; S.Van Gisbergen, 5 times for 23 laps; T.Reddick, 2 times for 9 laps; C.Bell, 2 times for 8 laps; B.Wallace, 1 time for 4 laps; M.McDowell, 1 time for 3 laps; R.Preece, 1 time for 3 laps; A.Allmendinger, 2 times for 2 laps; W.Byron, 1 time for 1 lap.
Wins: C.Bell, 2; W.Byron, 1.
Top 16 in Points: 1. W.Byron, 116; 2. R.Blaney, 114; 3. T.Reddick, 111; 4. C.Bell, 95; 5. C.Elliott, 95; 6. B.Wallace, 94; 7. A.Bowman, 87; 8. M.McDowell, 85; 9. K.Busch, 81; 10. R.Stenhouse, 80; 11. A.Cindric, 80; 12. C.Buescher, 77; 13. J.Logano, 77; 14. Nemechek, 76; 15. C.Hocevar, 72; 16. K.Larson, 71.

MONDAY EVENING TV										LIVE SPORTS		MOVIES		REALITY	
	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM			
2 WCBS	CBS Evening News (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Neighbor (N)	Poppa's House (N)	NCIS - Jimmy's daughter discovers a large sum of money. (N)		NCIS: Origins		CBS News New York 11pm (N)	(11:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) ➔				
3 WJLP	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Bev. Hillbillies	Gomer Pyle	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	Perry Mason ➔				
4 WNBC	NBC Nightly News (N)	News 4 NY at 7 (N)	Access Hollywood (N)	The Voice - The coaches continue their search for the best undiscovered voice in America. (N)			The Hunting Party (N)		News 4 NY at 11 (N)	(11:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N) ➔					
5 WNYW	(6:00) ♦ The 6 News (N)	Extra (N)	TMZ (N)	Extracted (N)		Rescue: HI-Surf (N)		The 10 O'Clock News (N)		Good Night New York (N)	Family Feud	TMZ Live ➔			
7 WABC	ABC World News (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	The Bachelor - It's hometowns' week, and Grant's journey takes him across the country to see his final four women. (N)			Secret Lives Mormon Wives (N)		Eyewitness News at 11 (N)	(11:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N) ➔					
9 WWOR	True Crime (N)	Family Feud	Family Feud				The News on MY 9 (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Family Feud	Family Feud	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Law-SVU	➔		
10/55 WLNY	The Conners	Last Man	Last Man	CBS News New York 8pm (N)		48 Hours (N)		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Neighbor	Neighbor	Modern Family			
11 WPIX	PIX11 News (N)	Sports (N)	Big Bang	All American (N)		Sullivan's Crossing		PIX11 News at Ten (N)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends			
13 WNET	America	PBS News Hour (N)		Antiques Roadshow		Antiques Roadshow		Shaking It Up		Amanpour and Company (N)		One on One			
21 WLIV	(6:00) ♦ PBS News	Mysterious Women		All Creatures Great		Funny Woman		Marie-Antoinette		BBC News	The Day	Amanpour (N) ➔			
25 WNYE	GZERO World	Shaking It Up		Women In Media		Her Big Idea	A Day's Work	Buzz	Start Up	How to Thrive	Stroud	Real Road			
31 WPIX	(6:00) ♦ Criminal	FBI	FBI	FBI		FBI		FBI		FBI		FBI ➔			
41 WFUT2	(6:00) ♦ Homicide	Homicide Hunter: Lt. Joe Kenda		Finally Caught		Forensic Files		Forensic Files		Obsession: Dark Desires		Dateline			
47 WNJU	Noticias	La casa de los famosos: All-stars (N)						La jefa		Noticiero 47 (N)	(11:35) Noticias	Venganza ➔			
A&E	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	Live PD: Police	(11:05) Live PD	(11:35) Live PD	(12:05) Live PD ➔			
AMC	(5:00) ♦ THE GREEN MILE ('99) ★★★ David Morse, Tom Hanks.					THE SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION ('94) ★★★ Morgan Freeman, Bob Gunton, Tim Robbins.					Dark Winds ➔				
ANPL	♦ Homestead	Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead ➔			
BBCA	(6:00) ♦ Law (N)	Law & Order (N)		Law & Order (N)		Law & Order (N)		Law & Order (N)		Law & Order (N)		Law (N) ➔			
BET	(6:00) ♦ VAMPIRE IN BROOKLYN ('95) ★★ Angela Bassett, Eddie Murphy.	Celebrity True Crime Story					Celebrity True Crime Story		Carl Weber's The Family Business						
BRV	♦ Housewives	Below Deck Down Under		Below Deck Down Under (N)		Watch What (N)	Below Deck Down Under		Summer House		Southern Charm				
CBSSN	(6:00) ♦ FIMMoto	FIM Motocross World		APP Tour - Sacramento Open		Poker Night (N)	Poker Night (N)	Pro Volleyball Federation - Grand Rapids Rise at Vegas Thrill				APP Tour ➔			
CNBC	♦ MadMoney	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank ➔			
CNN	(6:00) ♦ Lead	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		The Source With (N)		CNN NewsNight (N)		Laura Coates Live (N)		Cooper 360 ➔			
COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Daily Show (N)		Family Guy			
DISN	(2:30) ♦ Bluey			Primos	Primos	Place	Place	Jessie	Jessie	Kiff	Kiff	Bluey			
DSC	♦ Contraband	Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized (N)		Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized		Contraband ➔			
E!	(5:30) ♦ FANTASTIC BEASTS: THE CRIMES OF GRINDELWALD			300 ('06) ★★★			Lena Headey, David Wenham, Gerard Butler.			E! News (N)	Diddy: The Making of a Bad Boy ➔				
ESPN	(6:00) ♦ SportCtr	College Basketball - Wake Forest at Duke (N)				College Basketball - Kansas at Houston (N)				SportsCenter (N)		SportCtr (N) ➔			
ESPN2	(6:00) ♦ ESPN BET	TGL Golf - New York Golf Club vs. Boston Common Golf (N)				College Basketball - Wichita State at North Texas (N)				Basketball - Eastern Washington at Montana (N) ➔					
FAM	(5:40) ♦ THE INCREDIBLES ('04) ★★★			(8:20) INCREDIBLES 2 ('18) ★★★			Voices of Holly Hunter, Sarah Vowell, Craig T. Nelson.			The 700 Club		Boy/World			
FBN	(6:00) ♦ Bottom	Kudlow		American Dynasty		American Dynasty		American Dynasty		American Dynasty		American ➔			
FNC	(6:00) ♦ Bret Baier	The Ingraham Angle (N)		Jesse Watters Primetime (N)		Hannity (N)		Gutfeld! (N)		Fox News at Night (N)		The Five ➔			
FOOD	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Kids Baking Championship (N)				Chopped		Chopped					
FX	(5:30) ♦ UNCHARTED ('22) ★★ Tom Holland.			TRANSFORMERS: THE LAST KNIGHT ('17) ★★ Anthony Hopkins, Josh Duhamel, Mark Wahlberg.						TRANSFORMERS: LAST KNIGHT ➔					
HALL	(6:00) ♦ TAKING THE REINS ('21) Nikki DeLoach.	BETTY'S BAD LUCK IN LOVE ('24) Marco Grazzini, Laci Mailey.					The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls				
HBO	(6:00) ♦ GREEN LANTERN ('11) ★★	(7:55) The White Lotus			Celtics City		The White Lotus				(11:05) Celtics City	LastWeek ➔			
HGTV	(6:00) ♦ Married	Married to Real Estate		Celebrity IOU		Celebrity IOU (N)		Hunters (N)	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	Celebrity IOU ➔			
HIST	(6:00) ♦ History's Greatest Mysteries			History's Greatest Mysteries		History's Greatest Mysteries (N)		(10:05) History's Mo. (N)		(11:05) History's-Mysteries		Mysteries ➔			
HLN	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files			
ID	(6:00) ♦ Murders	Mean Girl Murders		Mean Girl Murders		Death by Fame (N)		Murder in the Wicked West		48 Hours on ID		Death by Fame ➔			
IFC	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond			
LIFE	(6:00) ♦ Castle	Castle		Castle		Castle		(10:05) Castle		(11:05) Castle		Castle ➔			
LIFEMOV	(6:00) ♦ WHO KIDNAPPED MY MOM? ('22)	MURDER RUNS IN THE FAMILY ('23) Bryan J. McHale, Laura Lieben.			LIVING WITH MY MOTHER'S KILLER ('24) Rhiannon Fish.				MURDER RUN... ➔						
LOGO	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company	3's Company			
MAX	(6:10) ♦ IN TIME ('11) ★★ Justin Timberlake.			FREE FIRE ('16) ★★ Sharlto Copley.			THE HOLE IN THE GROUND ('19) ★★★			THE BOONDOCK SAINTS ('99) ★★ ➔					
MSG	MSG Shorts	Club 30		2024 Mutua Madrid Open Tennis									PWHL ➔		
MSGSN	Pregame (N)	NHL Hockey - New York Islanders at New York Rangers (N)					Postgame (N)	Islanders	NHL Hockey - New York Islanders at New York Rangers						
MSNBC	(6:00) ♦ AriMelber	MSNBC Prime (N)		Inside With Jen Psaki (N)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N)		Last Word With Lawrence (N)		11th-Stephanie (N)		R. Maddow ➔			
MTV	Big Bang	THE HANGOVER PART II ('11) ★★ Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis, Bradley Cooper.					THE HANGOVER PART III ('13) ★★ Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis, Bradley Cooper.					HANGOVER P... ➔			
NGEO	♦ Smuggler	Catch a Smuggler: Peru		Catch a Smuggler: Peru		Catch a Smuggler: Peru		Catch a Smuggler: Peru		Airport Security Peru		Drugs, Inc ➔			
NICK	Loud House (N)	SpongeBob	Thunder.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Big Bang			
OWN	♦ 20/ 20, OWN	20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN ➔			
OXY	(6:00) ♦ Killer	Killer Couples		Killer Couples		Killer Couples		Killer Couples		Killer Couples		Killer Couples ➔			
PARMT	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	JACK REACHER ('12) ★★ Rosamund Pike, Robert Duvall, Tom Cruise.								THE TOWN ('10) ★★★ ➔			
PARSHO	(5:45) ♦ BAD MOMS ('16) ★★	THE GLORIAS ('20) Alicia Vikander, Lulu Wilson, Julianne Moore. (P)							Yellowjackets		School Spirits (N)	Yellowjackets ➔			
SMITH	(6:00) ♦ Pharaohs	Searching for Secrets		Murderous History		Ice Airport Alaska (N)		Surviving WWII		Murderous History		Ice Air ➔			
SNY	(6:00) ♦ MLB Baseball	- Miami Marlins at New York Mets (N)				Five Days in Flushing		Amazin' Conversations		SportsNite (N)	SportsNite (N)	SportsNite (N)			
STARZ	♦ HOLMES & ...	(7:15) ZOOKEEPER ('11) ★ Rosario Dawson, Kevin James.				I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU CHUCK AND LARRY ('07) ★			BILLY MADISON ('95) ★ Adam Sandler. ➔						
STZNC	(5:45) ♦ A JOURNAL FOR JORDAN ('21) ★★	Power Book III: Raising Kanan			Power Book III: Raising Kanan		THE SHALLOWS ('16) ★★ Blake Lively.		DARK TIDE ('12) ★ Halle Berry. ➔						
SUND	♦ DarkWinds	(7:15) Dark Winds		(8:15) Dark Winds		(9:20) Dark Winds		DarkWinds / (10:20) THE QUICK AND THE DEAD ('95) ★★ Sharon Stone. ➔							
SYFY	♦ GEOSTORM	PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: ON STRANGER TIDES ('11) ★★ Penélope Cruz, Johnny Depp.						JOURNEY 2: THE MYSTERIOUS ISLAND ('12) ★★ The Rock.		ANACONDAS:... ➔					
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	American (N)	American Dad!	American Dad!	American Dad!	American Dad!			
TCM	(5:30) ♦ 2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY ('68) ★★★	THE PRIDE OF THE YANKEES ('42) ★★★ Gary Cooper.			(10:15) NORMA RAE ('79) ★★★ Ron Leibman, Sally Field.				BLOSSOMS I... ➔						
TLC	(6:00) ♦ 90 Day	90 Day: The Last Resort		90 Day: The Last Resort (N)		(9:05) Baylen Out Loud (N)		(10:05) Last Resort (N)		(11:05) The Baldwins		Last Resort ➔			
TMC	(6:00) ♦ KELLY & CAL ('14) ★★★ Juliette Lewis.	GOOD MOURNING ('22) Machine Gun Kelly.		(9:35) EXTREME MOVIE ('08) Michael Cera.		(11:05) THE LADIES MAN ★ Tim Meadows.									
TNT	♦ BLACK PANT... Unrivaled (N)	Unrivaled Basketball		(8:45) Unrivaled Basketball		THE MEG ('18) ★★ Li Bingbing, Rainn Wilson, Jason Statham.									
TOON	King of the Hill	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	American Dad!	American Dad!	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick and Morty	Rick and Morty			
TRUTV	Imp. Jokers	Unrivaled (N)	Unrivaled Basketball		(8:45) Unrivaled Basketball		Unrivaled (N)		BULL DURHAM ('88) ★★★ Susan Sarandon, Kevin Costner.						
TRVL	(6:00) ♦ Mysteries of the Unknown				Mysteries of the Unknown (N)			Mysteries- Unk. - Don Wildman investigates a legendary ghost ship.			Mysteries ➔				
TVLND	Andy Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King			
USA	(6:00) ♦ Chi. Fire	Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire ➔			
VH1	(5:30) ♦ PURPLE RAIN ('84) ★★★ Prince.	Love & Hip Hop Miami (N)			Love & Hip Hop Miami		THE COLOR PURPLE ('85) ★★★ Danny Glover, Margaret Avery, Whoopi Goldberg. ➔								
WE	(6:00) ♦ Bones	Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones ➔			
YES	MLB Baseball - Pittsburgh Pirates at New York Yankees (N)					Bronx Beat		MLB Baseball - Pittsburgh Pirates at New York Yankees							

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Josh Hart goes up for shot over forward Haywood Highsmith in first half as Knicks storm back from 19-point deficit for 116-112 overtime victory over Heat Sunday night in Miami.

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THE OSCARS

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Mikey Madison accepts the Oscar for best actress for her role in Sean Baker's "Anora" during the Academy Awards on Sunday at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles. CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP PHOTOS

'ANORA' ADORED

Indie takes home 5 statues, including best picture, actress, director; Brody wins actor prize

"Anora," a drama about a sex worker who marries the son of a Russian oligarch, took home the best picture prize at the Academy Awards on Sunday. The film, from independent distributor Neon, had six nominations going into the event, which was held at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood. It won five. Filmmaker Sean Baker also won for directing, film editing and best original screenplay. Mikey Madison, a first-time Oscar nominee, won best actress for her starring role in the picture. Baker's work often focuses on the lives of marginalized people. His past movies include "The Florida Project," about a single mother and daughter scraping to get by under the shadow of Walt Disney World. "Anora" has generated \$40.9 million in box-office receipts since its October release. Last year's best picture winner, Universal's "Oppenheimer," took in close to \$1 billion and won seven Oscars overall. Baker used his acceptance speeches to urge filmmakers, studios and audiences to support seeing pictures in theaters. "Long live independent film," he said in accepting his final award. Adrien Brody took home the best actor for his portrayal of a Jewish immigrant struggling to make it as an architect after World War II in "The Brutalist," from independent studio A24. It also won best score. Earlier in the evening Zoe Saldania took home the Oscar for best supporting actress for her performance in the Netflix film "Emilia Pérez." Kieran Culkin took home the Oscar for best supporting actor. **More, Page 3**



Adrien Brody accepts the Oscar for best actor for his role in "The Brutalist." It is Brody's second Academy Award win in that category.

THE WINNERS A LOOK AT WHO TOOK HOME THE HARDWARE SUNDAY NIGHT

And the Oscars went to ...



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ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE

WINNER
▲ Adrien Brody, “*The Brutalist*”

NOMINEES
Timothée Chalamet, “*A Complete Unknown*”
Colman Domingo, “*Sing Sing*”
Ralph Fiennes, “*Conclave*”
Sebastian Stan, “*The Apprentice*”



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ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE

WINNER
▲ Mikey Madison, “*Anora*”

NOMINEES
Cynthia Erivo, “*Wicked*”
Karla Sofia Gascón, “*Emilia Pérez*”
Demi Moore, “*The Substance*”
Fernanda Torres, “*I’m Still Here*”



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ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE

WINNER
▲ Kieran Culkin, “*A Real Pain*”

NOMINEES
Yura Borisov, “*Anora*”
Edward Norton, “*A Complete Unknown*”
Guy Pearce, “*The Brutalist*”
Jeremy Strong, “*The Apprentice*”



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ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE

WINNER
▲ Zoe Saldaña, “*Emilia Pérez*”

NOMINEES
Monica Barbaro, “*A Complete Unknown*”
Ariana Grande, “*Wicked*”
Felicity Jones, “*The Brutalist*”
Isabella Rossellini, “*Conclave*”



Producers of “Anora” and some of its cast members celebrate their Best Picture Oscar win Sunday in Los Angeles. PATRICK T. FALLON/GETTY-AFP

BEST PICTURE

WINNER
“*Anora*”

NOMINEES
“*The Brutalist*”
“*A Complete Unknown*”
“*Conclave*”
“*Dune: Part Two*”
“*Emilia Pérez*”
“*I’m Still Here*”
“*Nickel Boys*”
“*The Substance*”
“*Wicked*”

DIRECTING

WINNER
Sean Baker, “*Anora*”

NOMINEES
Brady Corbet, “*The Brutalist*”
James Mangold, “*A Complete Unknown*”
Jacques Audiard, “*Emilia Pérez*”
Coralie Fargeat, “*The Substance*”

Cinematography

WINNER
Loi Crawley, “*The Brutalist*”

NOMINEES
Greig Fraser, “*Dune: Part Two*”
Paul Guillaume, “*Emilia Pérez*”
Ed Lachman, “*Maria*”
Jarín Blaschke, “*Nosferatu*”

Film Editing

WINNER
Sean Baker, “*Anora*”

NOMINEES
Nick Emerson, “*Conclave*”
David Jansco, “*The Brutalist*”
Juliette Welfling, “*Emilia Pérez*”
Myron Kerstein, “*Wicked*”

Animated Feature

WINNER
“*Flow*”

NOMINEES
“*Inside Out 2*”
“*Memoir of a Snail: Wallace & Gromit: Vengeance Most Fowl*”
“*The Wild Robot*”

Documentary Feature Film

WINNER
“*No Other Land*”

NOMINEES
“*Black Box Diaries*”
“*Porcelain War*”
“*Soundtrack to a Coup D'etat*”
“*Sugarcane*”

Documentary Short Film

WINNER
“*The Only Girl in the Orchestra*”

NOMINEES
“*Death By Numbers*”
“*I Am Ready, Warden*”
“*Incident*”
“*Instruments Of A Beating Heart*”

Costume Design

WINNER
Paul Tazewell, “*Wicked*”

NOMINEES
Arianne Phillips, “*A Complete Unknown*”
Lisy Christl, “*Conclave*”
Janty Yates And Dave Crossman, “*Gladiator II*”
Linda Muir, “*Nosferatu*”

International Feature Film

WINNER
“*I’m Still Here*” (Brazil)

NOMINEES
“*The Girl With the Needle*” (Denmark)
“*Emilia Pérez*” (France)
“*The Seed of the Sacred Fig*” (Germany)
“*Flow*” (Latvia)

Makeup and Hairstyling

WINNER
“*The Substance*”

NOMINEES
“*A Different Man*”
“*Emilia Pérez*”
“*Nosferatu*”
“*Wicked*”

Production Design

WINNER
“*Wicked*”

NOMINEES
“*The Brutalist*”
“*Conclave*”
“*Dune: Part Two*”
“*Nosferatu*”

Music (Original Score)

WINNER
Daniel Blumberg, “*The Brutalist*”

NOMINEES
Volker Bertelmann, “*Conclave*”
Clément Ducol and Camille, “*Emilia Pérez*”
John Powell And Stephen Schwartz, “*Wicked*”
Kris Bowers, “*The Wild Robot*”

■ From the red carpet to the closing credits, relive Hollywood’s big night. Click link below:
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Music (Original Song)

WINNER
“*El Mal*” from “*Emilia Pérez*”
Music by Clément Ducol and Camille; lyric by Clément Ducol, Camille and Jacques Audiard

NOMINEES
“*The Journey*” from “*The Six Triple Eight*”
Music and lyric by Diane Warren
“*Like A Bird*” from “*Sing Sing*”
Music and lyric by Abraham Alexander and Adrian Quesada
“*Mi Camino*” from “*Emilia Pérez*”
Music and lyric by Camille And Clément Ducol
“*Never Too Late*” from “*Elton John: Never Too Late*”
Music and lyric by Elton John, Brandi Carlile, Andrew Watt and Bernie Taupin

Animated Short Film

WINNER
“*In The Shadow of the Cypress*”

NOMINEES
“*Beautiful Men*”
“*Magic Candles*”
“*Wander to Wonder*”
“*Yuck!*”

Live Action Short Film

WINNER
“*I’m Not a Robot*”

NOMINEES
“*A Lien*”
“*Anuja*”
“*The Last Ranger*”
“*The Man Who Could Not Remain Silent*”

Sound

WINNER
“*Dune: Part Two*”

NOMINEES
“*A Complete Unknown*”
“*Emilia Pérez*”
“*Wicked*”
“*The Wild Robot*”



Walter Salles accepts the award for best international feature film for “I’m Still Here,” from Brazil, for during the Oscars on Sunday at the Dolby Theatre. CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP

Note: The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences’ technical and scientific awards were announced in a separate ceremony.



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Writing (Original Screenplay)

WINNER
▲ Sean Baker, “*Anora*”

NOMINEES
Brady Corbet and Mona Fastvold, “*The Brutalist*”
Jesse Eisenberg, “*A Real Pain*”
Moritz Binder, Tim Fehlbaum and Alex David, “*September 5*”
Coralie Fargeat, “*The Substance*”

Writing (Adapted Screenplay)

WINNER
Peter Straughan, “*Conclave*”

NOMINEES
Jay Cocks and James Mangold, “*A Complete Unknown*”
Jacques Audiard, “*Emilia Pérez*”
RaMell Ross and Joslyn Barnes, “*Nickel Boys*”
Clint Bentley, Greg Kwedar, Clarence Maclin and John “Divine G” Whitfield, “*Sing Sing*”

Visual Effects

WINNER
“*Dune: Part Two*”

NOMINEES
“*Alien: Romulus*”
“*Better Man*”
“*Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes*”
“*Wicked*”

THE SHOW

Independent spirit



Sean Baker accepts the award for best director for “Anora” during the Oscars on Sunday at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles. **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**

Madison win among twists on a night her film becomes Oscar darling; ‘Brutalist’ also captures big honors

By Carolyn Burt
Southern California News Group

The 97th annual Academy Awards returned to the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood on Sunday. Conan O’Brien hosted the show for the first time in Oscar’s history. Here are some of the top moments that got people talking on social media.

Memorable performances

The Oscars kicked off with a medley of songs performed by “Wicked” stars Ariana Grande and Cynthia Erivo. Rumors about the performance had been circulating online for weeks, and the combination of “Somewhere over the Rainbow” from the “Wizard of Oz,” “Home” from “The Wiz” and “Defying Gravity” from Wicked definitely exceeded expectations.

There was another melody of the night featuring pop stars Lisa of K-pop group Blackpink, Doja Cat and Raye performing some of the lead tracks from the James Bond franchise: “Live and Let Die,” “Diamonds Are Forever” and “Skyfall.”

“The Wiz” made a splash later in the show when Queen Latifah performed “Ease on Down the Road” to honor the late Quincy Jones who was the music producer for the film.

Comedian gets last laugh

From the moment Conan O’Brien took the stage for his opening monologue, it was apparent to both viewers at home and those inside the Dolby Theatre that the crowd was on his side and ready to laugh. He came through with what many have come to expect from comedians who host award shows: some edgy jokes here and there, poking fun at the nominees, and setting up what viewers can expect for the evening.

He provided a few more fun bits throughout the show, including a PR pivot to bring people back to movie theaters by pitching it as “CinemaStreams.” The sketch had O’Brien selling movie watchers on the concept of a “building for movies,” telling them, “We took 800 smartphones and glued them all together and made one giant smartphone.” The video also included a surprise

cameo from director Martin Scorsese who ended the bit by telling potential customers to “tell them Marty sent you.”

Historical wins

Paul Tazewell became the first Black man to win the best costume design category for his work in “Wicked.” Zoe Saldania became the first Dominican-American actor to win an Academy Award after winning best supporting actress for her role in “Emilia Pérez.” “I’m Still Here,” won best international film, giving Brazil’s first Oscar win in the category.

Harry & Sally reunite

Billy Crystal and Meg Ryan of “When Harry Met Sally” reunited on the Dolby Theatre stage to present the final award of the night, best picture. Crystal even made a nod to the film by putting a fun spin on one of its famous lines, “Because when you have a chance to be an Oscar winner for the rest of your life, you want the rest of your life to start as soon as possible.”

Unexpected win leaves viewers feeling robbed

Throughout this year’s award season, Demi Moore has taken a few of the best actress category awards for her role in “The Substance,” leaving many to think that she was a shoo-in for the Academy Award. However, the award went to breakout star Mikey Madison for her role in “Anora.”

Madison expressed her gratitude in her acceptance speech, sharing that she “grew up in Los Angeles, but Hollywood always felt so far away from me, so to be here standing in this room today is really incredible.”

Many viewers expressed mixed feelings online, with one user stating “Look, OK....I Love Mickey Madison, but DEMI MOORE WAS ROBBED.” Another user chimed in with a more optimistic view, “On the bright side Demi Moore won many awards this season and she got introduced to a new younger audience of people and I’m really hoping good scripts stack up on her desk and she just keeps getting amazing opportunities!”

THE HOST

O’Brien cracks up Hollywood in first monologue at helm

By Jami Ganz
New York Daily News

Conan O’Brien’s first Oscars monologue, in his debut as the host of Hollywood’s biggest night, proved to be the real winner of the evening.

The Emmy-winning funnyman, 61, pulled no punches when kicking off the Academy Awards, shouting out the most infamous of this Oscars race’s controversies: “Emilia Pérez” star Karla Sofia Gascón’s resurfaced racist tweets.

“Little fact for you, ‘Anora’ uses the F-word 479 times. That’s three more than the record set by Karla Sofia Gascón’s publicist,” O’Brien said to laughter. “Karla Sofia Gascón is here tonight. ... And, Karla, if you are going to tweet about the Oscars, remember, my name is Jimmy Kimmel.”

The former late-night host took over the hosting reigns from four-time emcee Kimmel.

Gascón, whose nomination marked the first time an openly transgender actor has been tapped for an Oscar, was on an awards season high until her troubling tweets resurfaced in late January. As recently as 2020, the Spanish actress floated a ban

against Islam and “religions that go against European values and violate human rights.” She lambasted George Floyd as “a drug addict and a hustler” in one post and invoked Hitler in yet another.

Gascón halfheartedly apologized in a statement to The Hollywood Reporter “if anyone has ever felt offended” by the remarks, which she said could somewhat be blamed on “ignorance or pure mistake.”

O’Brien’s monologue also featured comedic bits with John Lithgow — who O’Brien said would look on disappointedly at any winners whose speeches droned on — and Adam Sandler. The latter focused on the “Wedding Singer” star’s gym attire.

O’Brien also took a somber moment to turn his attention to the wildfires that devastated Los Angeles in January.

“In moments such as this, any awards show can seem self-indulgent and superfluous. ... But the Oscars also shines a light on many people you will never see: craftspeople, artisans, technicians, costumers. ... Many people we will celebrate tonight are not famous, they’re not wealthy. But they are devoted to a craft that can, in moments, bring us all a little closer together.

“Now, for almost a century, we have



Dancing Deadpool, left, and host Conan O’Brien perform during the Oscars on Sunday at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles. **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**

paused every spring to elevate and celebrate an art form. It has the power, at its very best to unite us,” said O’Brien. “So yes, even in the face of terrible wildfires and divisive politics ... the work continues. And next year, and for years to come, through trauma and joy, this seemingly absurd ritual is going to be here. ... The magic,

the madness, the grandeur and joy of film worldwide is going to be with us forever.”

O’Brien concluded the monologue with tips for winners to keep their acceptance speeches short and sweet, before diving into a musical rendition of his assurance, “I Won’t Waste Time,” which kicked off about 25 minutes into the broadcast.

CONAN’S BEST LINES FROM SUNDAY NIGHT

“I loved ‘The Brutalist.’ I never wanted it to end, and luckily, it didn’t.”

“‘Wicked’ is nominated for 10 awards. It’s a perfect movie for anyone who ever watched ‘The Wizard of Oz,’ got to the end, and thought, Sure, but where did all the minor characters go to college?”

“‘Anora’ uses the f-word 479 times. That’s three more than the record set by Karla Sofia Gascón’s publicist.”



Cynthia Erivo, left, and Ariana Grande, the stars of the film adaptation, perform “Defying Gravity” from “Wicked” during the Oscars on Sunday at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles. **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**



Elle Fanning, left, and Ariana Grande arrive at the Oscars on Sunday. Grande was nominated for best supporting actress for her role in the musical “Wicked.” **JOHN LOCHER/AP**

THE NIGHT IN IMAGES

A ‘Wicked’ good time



Host Conan O'Brien, center, performs early in the show. **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**

From a sparkling opening number to a breezy host, the Oscars got some swagger back in 2025



Ben Stiller slowly rises to the stage to present an award during Sunday night's Academy Awards show. **KEVIN WINTER/GETTY**



Lisa, center, sings “Live and Let Die” during an homage to James Bond films. **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**



Mick Jagger presents the award for best original song during the Oscars. **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**



Clement Ducol, from left, Camille and Jacques Audiard accept the award for best original song for “El Mal” from “Emilia Pérez.” **CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP**

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