

Sports & Entertainment Spotlight

Endorsement Ink, Entertainment Reboots & Postseason Heartbreaks

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Welcome back to the Spotlight! In the past 7 months, I have borne witness to monumental postseason collapses by two of my favorite professional sports teams: my beloved hometown New York Yankees and New York Knicks. Last October, in epic fashion, the former blew a five-run lead in the top of the fifth inning in Game 5 of the 2024 World Series against the Los Angeles Dodgers, en route to the Yankees' eventual demise. And this past Wednesday night, the Knicks lost Game One of the NBA Eastern Conference Finals against the Indiana Pacers, despite having held a 14-point lead with about 2:30 left in the fourth quarter. There are a litany of other heartbreaks over the years. Begging the question of why I (and others) keep coming back for more? For one thing, it's the drama of the game - each has a story to tell. Sometimes, that story is a reminder that those who rake in the big bucks through endorsements and salaries, often appearing larger than life, are still human. Or maybe I just like to be miserable. After all, it's the losses - torturous as they can be - that teach the greatest lessons and make the wins that much sweeter.

- Following fellow recording artist Post Malone's limited edition run of signature Oreo cookies, Selena Gomez has partnered with the brand to roll out her own spin on the iconic sandwich cookies. Perhaps the cookies will become collector's items. Though if the artists really wanted to stand the test of time, they'd launch their own Twinkies.
- Jason Momoa and WWE wrestler Roman Reigns are among those signed on for a *Street Fighter* movie, rebooting a film based on the video game of the same name. Meanwhile, I am still waiting on a call from my agent on my *Pong* screenplay.
- Hip hop duo Salt-N-Pepa are suing Universal Music Group in an effort to reclaim the rights to their catalog recordings including their late 80s and early 90s hits "Push It" and "Shoop." Fortunately for the duo, their legal team is said to be seasoned.

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A'ja Wilson Adds a Signature Sneaker to Her Resume — And Her Legacy

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Selena Gomez, Oreo Team Up on a New Flavor: When You Can Get It

May 20, 2025 via *USA Today*

“NIL Go”: Deloitte Establishes Basic Framework to Review Third-Party NIL Deals

May 20, 2025 via *Lexblog Network*

Quinn Ewers Scores Historic Payday for 7th-Round Pick

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Caitlin Clark, Angel Reese Break 25-Year WNBA TV Ratings Record

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'Best Time Ever to be a New Yorker': Spike Lee, Fat Joe and Others Reflect on an Iconic Knicks Run

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Music Biz

[Signed: Warner Music Latina Inks Trio of Rising Stars; Of Mice & Men Strike Label Deal for New Music](#)

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[Salt-N-Pepa Sue Record Label to Reclaim Rights to Their Recordings Including 'Push It'](#)

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[Sound Royalties is Now Offering Financing to YouTube Creators](#)

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Film & TV

[Sony Pictures Acquires Remake Rights To French Box Office Hit 'A Little Something Extra' – Cannes](#)

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