Sports

NBA BASKETBALL

Portland spoils LeBron's Laker debut 128-119

PORTLAND (AP) — LeBron James opened with two thunderous dunks and had 26 points and 12 rebounds in his first game with the Los Angeles Lakers, but the Portland Trail Blazers prevailed 128-119 Thursday night in the season opener for both teams.

Damian Lillard had 28 points and Nik Stauskas came off the bench to score 24 for Portland, which won its 18th straight home opener to extend an NBA record.

It was the Blazers' 16th straight victory over the Lakers.

The opening festivities were tempered by the death this week of Trail Blazers owner Paul Allen. A "Rip City" baseball cap rested in Allen's courtside seat with a single rose.

The enigmatic co-founder of Microsoft died Monday in Seattle from complications of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. He was 65. There was a moment of silence before the game and tributes to Allen throughout the night.

On the court, the focus was all on James. His monster dunks to start stunned the Moda Center crowd while Nike co-founder Phil Knight looked on from courtside seats.

Denver tops Cardinals

GLENDALE, Arizona (AP) — Von Miller vowed his Denver Broncos would kick the Arizona Cardinals' behind, except he didn't say behind.

Consider it a promise kept.

Emmanuel Sanders threw and caught touchdown passes, Denver returned two interceptions for first-quarter touchdowns and the Broncos snapped a four-game losing streak with a 45-10 rout Thursday.

"It wasn't even for the Cardinals, it was for my teammates," Miller said about that rear end-kicking comment. "I just thought what we were missing was the confidence part of it. I thought about it and that is not even like me, but I felt that was the best thing to do to get my teammates going, and it worked."

Todd Davis returned rookie Josh Rosen's deflected pass for a touchdown on the second play of the game and Chris Harris Jr. took another back 53 yards for a score with 2:02 left in the quarter.

Price is right for Red Sox

HOUSTON (AP) — What a birthday present for rookie manager Alex Cora. He's taking the Boston Red Sox back to the World Series.

David Price put his postseason woes behind him, pitching the Red Sox past the defending champion Houston Astros 4-1 Thursday night in Game 5 of the AL Championship Series.

Next stop for the 108-win Red Sox is Fenway Park for the World Series opener Tuesday night against either the Los Angeles Dodgers or Milwaukee Brewers.

But before leaving Minute Maid Park, the Red Sox surrounded the 43-year-old Cora in the clubhouse and heartily sang "happy birthday!" Wearing goggles and championship gear, the team saluted the first manager from Puerto Rico to lead a team to the World Series.

Cora was hired a year ago as he prepared to go to the Series as Houston's bench coach. He got the job a month after Hurricane Maria devastated his island homeland, and immediately went to work helping with relief efforts.

"I know right now for everything that we're going through as a nation, as a country, for me to stand up here with this trophy, I know there's a lot of people proud of me in Puerto Rico," he said.

Rafael Devers hit a three-run homer as the Red Sox stunned Justin Verlander to win the best-of-seven set 4-1.

ALCS MVP Jackie Bradley Jr. , outfielder Mookie Betts and the Red Sox will try to bring Boston its fourth crown in 15 years.

WEEKEND AHEAD IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

FRIDAY, OCT. 19

- **Football:** Adrian/Jordan Valley at Pine-Eagle, 1 p.m.; Huntington at Dayville/Monument, 2 p.m.; La Grande at Baker, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 20

- **Volleyball:** High Desert tourney, tba, John Day; Old Oregon tourney, tba, La Grande
- **Girls soccer:** Baker at Mac-Hi, 11 a.m.
- **Boys soccer:** Baker JV at Mac-Hi, 11 a.m.; Baker at Mac-Hi, 1 p.m.

AT A GLANCE

Stanford beats Arizona State

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Stanford controlled the ball on offense, prevented big plays on defense. The Cardinal put together a couple of key scoring drives and limited Arizona State's chances for a comeback.

It's just the way Stanford wins games — and just what the Cardinal needed after a two-game losing streak.

K.J. Costello threw for 231 yards and a touchdown, and Stanford remained in the thick of the Pac-12 North Division race with a 20-13 win over Arizona State on Thursday night.

Stanford (5-2, 3-1) needed a half to get its offense fully rolling off a bye week.

SCOREBOARD

TELEVISION

All Times PDT

Friday, Oct. 19

Minnesota at Dallas, 5 p.m. (NBCSN)
Boston at Toronto, 5 p.m. (ESPN)
Golden State at Utah, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)
NLCS, tba (FOX or FS1)

Saturday, Oct. 20

San Antonio at Portland, 7 p.m. (CSN)
Houston at LA Lakers, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)
NLCS, tba (FOX or FS1)

Sunday, Oct. 21

Tennessee at LA Chargers, 6:30 a.m. (CBS)
Carolina at Philadelphia, Cleveland at Tampa Bay, Minnesota at NY Jets or Detroit at Miami, 10 a.m. (FOX)
New England at Chicago, Cincinnati at Kansas City, Buffalo at Indianapolis or Houston at Jacksonville, 10 a.m. (CBS)
New Orleans at Baltimore, 1:05 p.m. (FOX)
Dallas at Washington, 1:25 p.m. (CBS)
LA Rams at San Francisco, 5:20 p.m. (NBC)

BRIDGE

Baker Ladies Golf Association
Oct. 10

1. Ginny Kostol. 2. Martha Jane Cassidy. 3. Ann Dennis.

Third 9-weeks winners

1. Marlene Cross. 2. Martha Jane Cassidy. 3. LaVelle Raley.

Year-end winners

1. LaVelle Raley. 2. Janice Smull. 3. Judy Karstens. 4. Martha Jane Cassidy. 5. Marlene Cross. 6. Betty Combs.

PREP FOOTBALL

Thursday's Scores

Creswell 33, Jefferson 18
Ione 48, Union 28
St. Paul 59, Lyle-Wishram, Wash. 14
Stanfield 53, Riverside 0

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Thursday's College Football Scores
FAR WEST

Stanford 20, Arizona St. 13

POST-SEASON BASEBALL

Postseason Baseball Glance
All Times PDT
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
(Best-of-7, x-if necessary)
American League
Boston 4, Houston 1

Saturday, Oct. 13: Houston 7, Boston 2
Sunday, Oct. 14: Boston 7, Houston 5
Tuesday, Oct. 16: Boston 8, Houston 2
Wednesday, Oct. 17: Boston 8, Houston 6
Thursday, Oct. 18: Boston 4, Houston 1

National League
All Games on FS1
Los Angeles 3, Milwaukee 2

Friday, Oct. 12: Milwaukee 6, Los Angeles 5
Saturday, Oct. 13: Los Angeles 4, Milwaukee 3
Monday, Oct. 15: Milwaukee 4, Los Angeles 0
Tuesday, Oct. 16: Los Angeles 2, Milwaukee 1, 13 innings
Wednesday, Oct. 17: Los Angeles 5, Milwaukee 2
Friday, Oct. 19: Los Angeles (Ryu 7-3) at Milwaukee (Miley 5-2), 5:39 p.m.
x-Saturday, Oct. 20: Los Angeles at Milwaukee, 6:09 p.m.

WORLD SERIES
(Best-of-7, x-if necessary)
All Games on FOX

Tuesday, Oct. 23: Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner at Boston
Wednesday, Oct. 24: Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner at Boston
Friday, Oct. 26: Boston at Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner
Saturday, Oct. 27: Boston at Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner
x-Sunday, Oct. 28: Boston at Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner
x-Tuesday, Oct. 30: Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner at Boston
x-Wednesday, Oct. 31: Los Angeles-Milwaukee winner at Boston

NFL

National Football League
All Times PDT
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct
New England	4	2	0	.667
Miami	4	2	0	.667
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	.500
Buffalo	2	4	0	.333
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**
Tennessee	3	3	0	.500
Houston	3	3	0	.500
Jacksonville	3	3	0	.500
Indianapolis	1	5	0	.167
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667
Baltimore	4	2	0	.667
Pittsburgh	3	2	1	.583
Cleveland	2	3	1	.417
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**
Kansas City	5	1	0	.833
L.A. Chargers	4	2	0	.667
Denver	3	4	0	.429
Oakland	1	5	0	.167

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct
Washington	3	2	0	.600
Dallas	3	3	0	.500
Philadelphia	3	3	0	.500
N.Y. Giants	1	5	0	.167
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**
New Orleans	4	1	0	.800
Carolina	3	2	0	.600
Tampa Bay	2	3	0	.400
Atlanta	2	4	0	.333
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**
Chicago	3	2	0	.600
Minnesota	3	2	1	.583
Green Bay	3	2	1	.583
Detroit	2	3	0	.400
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**
L.A. Rams	6	0	0	1.000
Seattle	3	3	0	.500
San Francisco	1	5	0	.167
Arizona	1	6	0	.143

Thursday's Games

Denver 45, Arizona 10

Sunday's Games

Tennessee vs L.A. Chargers at London, UK, 6:30 a.m.
Minnesota at N.Y. Jets, 10 a.m.
Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 10 a.m.
Detroit at Miami, 10 a.m.
Houston at Jacksonville, 10 a.m.
Carolina at Philadelphia, 10 a.m.
New England at Chicago, 10 a.m.
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 10 a.m.
New Orleans at Baltimore, 1:05 p.m.
L.A. Rams at San Francisco, 1:25 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 1:25 p.m.
Cincinnati at Kansas City, 4:20 p.m.
Open: Seattle, Green Bay, Oakland, Pittsburgh

Monday's Games

N.Y. Giants at Atlanta, 5:15 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 25

Miami at Houston, 5:20 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 28

Philadelphia vs Jacksonville at London, UK, 6:30 a.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 10 a.m.
Washington at N.Y. Giants, 10 a.m.
Seattle at Detroit, 10 a.m.
Baltimore at Carolina, 10 a.m.
Denver at Kansas City, 10 a.m.
Tampa Bay at Cincinnati, 10 a.m.
N.Y. Jets at Chicago, 10 a.m.
Indianapolis at Oakland, 1:05 p.m.
Green Bay at L.A. Rams, 1:25 p.m.
San Francisco at Arizona, 1:25 p.m.
New Orleans at Minnesota, 5:20 p.m.
Open: Dallas, Tennessee, L.A. Chargers, Atlanta

Monday, Oct. 29

New England at Buffalo, 5:15 p.m.

NBA

National Basketball Association
All Times PDT
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	1	0	1.000	—
New York	1	0	1.000	—
Toronto	1	0	1.000	—
Philadelphia	1	1	.500	½
Brooklyn	0	1	.000	1
Southeast Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Orlando	1	0	1.000	—
Miami	1	1	.500	½
Charlotte	0	1	.000	1
Atlanta	0	1	.000	1
Washington	0	1	.000	1
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Detroit	1	0	1.000	—
Milwaukee	1	0	1.000	—
Indiana	1	0	1.000	—
Cleveland	0	1	.000	1
Chicago	0	1	.000	1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New Orleans	1	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	1	0	1.000	—
Memphis	0	1	.000	1
Dallas	0	1	.000	1
Houston	0	1	.000	1
Northwest Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Denver	1	0	1.000	—
Portland	1	0	1.000	—
Utah	1	0	1.000	—
Minnesota	0	1	.000	1
Okla. City	0	1	.000	1
Pacific Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Phoenix	1	0	1.000	—
Golden State	1	0	1.000	—
Sacramento	0	1	.000	1
L.A. Clippers	0	1	.000	1
L.A. Lakers	0	1	.000	1

Wednesday's Games

Detroit 103, Brooklyn 100
Indiana 111, Memphis 83
Milwaukee 113, Charlotte 112
Orlando 104, Miami 101
New York 126, Atlanta 107
Toronto 116, Cleveland 104
New Orleans 131, Houston 112
San Antonio 112, Minnesota 108
Utah 123, Sacramento 117
Denver 107, L.A. Clippers 98
Phoenix 121, Dallas 100

Thursday's Games

Miami 113, Washington 112
Philadelphia 127, Chicago 108
Portland 128, L.A. Lakers 119

Today's Games

Charlotte at Orlando, 4 p.m.
New York at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Memphis, 5 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 5 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Sacramento at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Indiana at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.
Golden State at Utah, 7:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Brooklyn at Indiana, 4 p.m.
Toronto at Washington, 4 p.m.
Boston at New York, 4:30 p.m.
Orlando at Philadelphia, 4:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Miami, 5 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 7 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Atlanta at Cleveland, 3 p.m.
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 4 p.m.
Golden State at Denver, 5 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 6 p.m.

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