

ON THE AIR

WEDNESDAY

TENNIS	Time	TV
WTA, Abu Dhabi Women's Tennis Open	7 a.m.	Tennis
SOCCER		
Italian Serie A, AC Milan vs. Juventus	11:30 a.m.	ESPN2
BASKETBALL		
Women's college, Northwestern at Wisconsin	1 p.m.	Big Ten
Men's college, Rhode Island at Richmond	3 p.m.	CBSSN
Men's college, Arkansas at Tennessee	4 p.m.	ESPN2
Men's college, Georgia at LSU	4 p.m.	SEC
Men's college, Georgetown at Butler	4 p.m.	FS1
NBA, Boston at Miami	4:30 p.m.	ESPN
Men's college, St. John's at Xavier	5 p.m.	CBSSN
Men's college, Minnesota at Michigan	5:30 p.m.	Big Ten
Men's college, Oklahoma at Baylor	6 p.m.	ESPN2
Men's college, Auburn at Ole Miss	6 p.m.	SEC
Men's college, Seton Hall at Creighton	6 p.m.	FS1
Men's college, Texas A&M at South Carolina	6 p.m.	ESPNU
Men's college, Utah St. at New Mexico	7 p.m.	CBSSN
NBA, L.A. Clippers at Golden State	7 p.m.	ESPN
Men's college, Air Force at Boise St.	8 p.m.	FS1

THURSDAY

BASKETBALL		
Women's college, Maryland at Michigan St.	2 p.m.	Big Ten
Women's college, Arkansas at Tennessee	3:30 p.m.	SEC
Men's college, Iowa at Maryland	4 p.m.	ESPN2
Men's college, Cincinnati at SMU	4 p.m.	ESPNU
Men's college, Indiana at Wisconsin	4 p.m.	FS1
NBA, Philadelphia at Brooklyn	4:30 p.m.	TNT
Men's college, UNLV at Colorado St.	5 p.m.	CBSSN
Men's college, BYU at Gonzaga	5:30 p.m.	ESPN
Women's college, Kentucky at Texas A&M	5:30 p.m.	SEC
Men's college, Illinois at Northwestern	6 p.m.	Big Ten
Men's college, USC at Arizona	6 p.m.	ESPN2
Men's college, Portland at San Francisco	6 p.m.	ESPNU
Men's college, Washington vs. Stanford	6 p.m.	FS1
Men's college, Nevada at San Diego St.	7 p.m.	CBSSN
NBA, Minnesota at Portland	7 p.m.	NBCSNW
Men's college, Washington St. at California	7 p.m.	Pac-12
NBA, Dallas at Denver	7 p.m.	TNT
Men's college, UCLA at Arizona St.	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
Men's college, Oregon at Colorado	8 p.m.	FS1
GOLF		
PGA Tour, Sentry Tournament of Champions	3 p.m.	Golf

Listings are the most accurate available. The Bulletin is not responsible for late changes made by TV stations.

SPORTS BRIEFING

FOOTBALL

Seahawks unsure if Adams will play against Rams — The Seattle Seahawks’ defense has been one of the best units in the NFL during the second half of the regular season. Safety Jamal Adams has been a very important piece in the defensive resurgence. That’s why the Seahawks are concerned after Adams sustained a left shoulder injury during the fourth quarter of the Seahawks’ 26-23 win over the San Francisco 49ers on Sunday. Adams left the game and did not return. Seattle coach Pete Carroll said Adams wanted to re-enter the game, but the team held him out. Carroll added he was initially told by the team’s medical staff Adams would be available when the Seahawks face the Los Angeles Rams in a wild-card playoff game on Saturday. Carroll backtracked from that statement on Monday, adopting a wait-and-see approach.

Browns lose coach Stefanski vs. Steelers to virus — Two days after celebrating their return to the NFL playoffs, the Cleveland Browns were knocked flat. COVID-19 will keep coach Kevin Stefanski and at least two players, one a Pro Bowler, out of the team’s first playoff game since the 2002 season. The Browns announced Tuesday — 18 years to the day since their last playoff game — that Stefanski tested positive for the coronavirus, which has plagued the team in recent weeks and now is causing a major disruption as Cleveland prepares to play Pittsburgh on Sunday for the second straight week.

HOCKEY

Kraken add former Buffalo GM Jason Botterill to front office — The Seattle Kraken made two more additions to their front office Tuesday, bringing in former Buffalo Sabres general manager Jason Botterill as an assistant GM and Norm Maciver as director of player personnel. Botterill joins the Kraken after serving as the general manager of the Sabres for three seasons. Botterill was fired in June in a strange flip-flop after the Sabres ownership initially announced he would return for a fourth season. Botterill came under fire for mismanaging the lineup with numerous questionable moves while attempting to rebuild the roster through youth. Buffalo currently has the longest playoff drought in the NHL. Botterill also spent 10 years working for the Pittsburgh Penguins as the director of hockey administration, assistant general manager and associate general manager.

SOCCER

U.S. women’s national team star Alex Morgan tests positive for COVID-19 — Alex Morgan — the star U.S. women’s national team striker who plays for the NWSL’s Orlando Pride — tested positive for COVID-19 after traveling home to California for the Christmas holiday. Moregan announced on Twitter on Tuesday afternoon that she and her family received positive tests at the end of the year. She did not specify whether her 9-month-old daughter, Charlie, was one of the family members who tested positive. “We are all in good spirits and recovering well,” Morgan wrote on Twitter. “After our isolation is completed, I will follow U.S. Soccer’s return to play guidelines to ensure my body is fully recovered and I can join my teammates back on the field soon.” Morgan recently finished a stint with Tottenham in the FA Women’s Super League in England, where she played four matches while returning from maternity leave.

— Bulletin wire reports



MEGA MILLIONS

The numbers drawn Tuesday night are:

20 43 51 55 57 4 22

The estimated jackpot is now \$447 million.

As listed at www.oregonlottery.org and individual lottery websites

FOOTBALL

NFL playoffs
WILD CARD
Saturday's Games
Indianapolis at Buffalo, 10:05 a.m.
L.A. Rams at Seattle, 1:40 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Washington, 5:15 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Baltimore at Tennessee, 10:05 a.m.
Chicago at New Orleans, 1:40 p.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 5:15 p.m.

College
Monday's Game
College Football Championship
Miami Gardens, Fla.
No. 1 Alabama vs. No. 3 Ohio St., 5 p.m. (ESPN)

America's Line
(Home team in CAPS)

Favorite	NFL			Underdog
	Open	Current	O/U	
	Saturday			
Wild Card Playoffs				
BILLS	6½	6½	51½	Colts
SEAHAWKS	4½	4	42½	Rams
Bucs	7	8½	45½	WASHINGTON
Sunday				
Wild Card Playoffs				
Ravens	3½	3	55	TITANS
SAINTS	9½	9½	47½	Bears
STEELERS	3.5	6	47½	Browns

Favorite	COLLEGE				Underdog
	Open	Current	O/U	Monday	
Alabama	7	8	75½		Ohio State

BASKETBALL

Men's college						
PAC-12 CONFERENCE						
Conference				All Games		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Oregon	3	0	1.000	8	1	.889
UCLA	3	0	1.000	7	2	.778
Arizona St.	1	0	1.000	4	3	.571
Arizona	3	1	.750	9	1	.900
Stanford	2	1	.667	6	3	.667
Washington St.	1	1	.500	8	1	.889
Southern Cal	1	1	.500	6	2	.750
Colorado	1	2	.333	7	3	.700
Utah	1	2	.333	4	3	.571
Oregon St.	1	2	.333	5	4	.556
California	0	4	.000	5	6	.455
Washington	0	3	.000	1	7	.125
Wednesday's Game						
Oregon St. at Utah, p.p.d.						
Thursday's Games						
Southern Cal at Arizona, 6 p.m.						
Washington at Stanford, 6 p.m.						
Washington St. at California, 7 p.m.						
UCLA at Arizona St., 7:30 p.m.						
Oregon at Colorado, 8 p.m.						

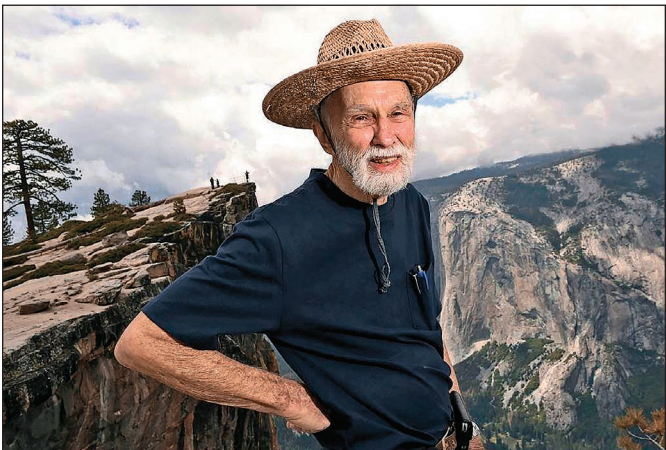
TOP 25 SCORES
Tuesday's Games
No. 3 Villanova at DePaul, p.p.d.
No. 4 Texas 78, Iowa St. 72
No. 6 Kansas at TCU, late
Mississippi St. 78, No. 13 Missouri 63
No. 23 Michigan St. 68, No. 15 Rutgers 45
No. 18 Texas Tech 82, Kansas St. 71
No. 19 Clemson 74, N.C. State 70, OT

Women's college			
COACHES POLL			
Record	Pts	Pvs	
1. Stanford (31)	9-0	799	1
2. Louisville (11)	7-0	756	2
3. NC State	10-0	733	3
4. South Carolina	7-1	694	4
5. Connecticut	6-0	687	5
6. Baylor	8-1	630	6
7. Texas A&M (1)	10-0	575	9
8. Kentucky	9-1	553	11
9. UCLA	6-2	509	12
10. Arizona	8-1	506	8
11. Oregon	8-1	484	7
12. Maryland	7-1	435	14
13. Arkansas	10-2	420	10
14. Michigan	7-0	365	17
15. Mississippi St.	6-2	357	13
16. Ohio St.	5-0	339	15
17. Texas	8-1	261	19
18. Indiana	5-3	191	18
19. South Florida	7-1	188	22
20. Syracuse	5-1	186	20
21. Gonzaga	9-2	145	23
22. DePaul	5-3	136	21
23. Northwestern	4-2	95	16
24. Michigan St.	8-0	77	NR
25. Missouri St.	4-2	67	24

Dropped out: No. 25 South Dakota St. (7-2)
Others receiving votes: South Dakota St. (7-2) 55; Georgia (9-1) 43; Iowa (7-1) 37; Florida St. (4-1) 31; Arizona St. (7-3) 13; Florida Gulf Coast (7-2) 9; Tennessee (6-1) 6; North Carolina (7-2) 5; Central Florida (5-1) 5; IUPUI (8-1) 4; Clemson (8-2) 3; Dayton (3-1) 1.

	PAC-12 CONFERENCE					
	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Stanford	6	0	1.000	9	0	1.000
Arizona	6	1	.857	8	1	.889
Oregon	6	1	.857	8	1	.889
Washington St.	4	1	.800	6	1	.857
UCLA	4	2	.667	6	2	.750
Arizona St.	3	3	.500	7	3	.700
Colorado	2	4	.333	4	5	.444
Utah	2	5	.286	3	5	.375
Oregon St.	1	3	.250	3	3	.500
Washington	1	5	.167	4	5	.444
Southern Cal	1	5	.167	3	5	.375
California	0	6	.000	0	9	.000

Friday's Games
No. 11 Oregon at No. 1 Stanford, 11:30 a.m.
Oregon St. at California, p.p.d.
Arizona St. at Washington St., p.p.d.
Colorado at No. 9 UCLA, 4 p.m.
Utah at Southern Cal, 6 p.m.
No. 7 Arizona at Washington, 8 p.m.



Eric Paul Zamors/The Fresno Bee file

George Whitmore, one of the three men on the first team to climb El Capitan in Yosemite National Park, is seen on a hike to Taft Point with El Capitan in the background across Yosemite Valley in 2016. Whitmore died on Jan. 1 at age 89 from complications caused by COVID-19.

they didn't realize at the time “how special” their climb of the sheer rock formation would be. It took them 47 days over 16 months to complete the climb. They set fixed lines and rappelled down, then used the ropes to return to the same point later.

“They were pioneering techniques that didn't exist at the time. They were kind of inventing the sport of big wall rock climbing,” said Daniel Duane, author of “El Capitan: Historic Feats and Radical Routes.”

El Capitan now has dozens of routes, scaled by some in fewer than three hours. But at the time, it seemed “utterly outside the bounds of the possible,” Duane said. Whitmore and his team plotted a path that came to be known as “The Nose.”

“They created this kind of pilgrimage path in the sky that,

to this day, every climber on Earth wants to someday walk,” Duane said.

In interviews over the years, Whitmore spoke of his ascent with humility. Mountain climbing was a lifelong passion, but he often said he considered his work in conservation to be his greatest accomplishment. A pharmacist by trade, Whitmore retired in the 1970s to focus on conservation, his wife said. He was involved with the Sierra Club in local, state and national capacities, including serving as a chairman of the Tehipite Chapter based in Fresno.

It was during a Sierra Club outing in the 1970s that he met his wife, Nancy, who was impressed with his knowledge and intellect.

“I was like, wow, this guy is impressive,” said Nancy, 76. They married in 1979.

“He was passionate about

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Named vice president of public relations Amy Phuong chief operating officer for Saving Our Atlanta Region's Residents.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed TE Ian Bunting, DL Michael Dogbe, WRs Krishawn Hogan, A.J. Richardson, Jolo Ward and Isaac Whitney, K Brett Maher, OL Koda Martin, S Chris Miller, RB Khalilani Muhammad, LBs Terrance Smith, Reggie Walker and Evan Weaver and CBs Jace Whittaker and Picasso Nelson to reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season. Activated DB Chris Banjo from the reserve/COVID-19 list.

BALTIMORE RAVENS — Activated TE Sean Culkin from the practice squad injured reserve. Released LB James Crawford.

CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed K Joey Slye to a one-year extension.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Placed G Joel Bitonio and WR KhaDarel Hodge on the reserve/COVID-19 list. Placed CNick Harris and DE Olivier Vernon on injured reserve.

DENVER BRONCOS — Signed C Patrick Morris to a reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season.

DETROIT LIONS — Signed WRs Tom Kennedy, Victor Bolden, G Evan Brown, S Jalen Elliott and LB Anthony Pittman to reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed S Nick Nelson and TE Jordan Thomas to reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Waived P Dustin Colquitt. Activated OL Ben Barch from the reserve/COVID-19 list.

LAS VEGAS RAIDERS — Signed TE Nick Bowers, K Dominik Eberle, DB Rashaan Gauden, DE Gerri Green, OLs Jaryd Jones-Smith and Erik Magnuson, LBs James Onwuasulu and Javin White, DT Niles Scott, OT Kamaal Seymour and CB Kemah Siverand to reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season.

LOS ANGELES RAMS — Waived K Kai Forbath from injured reserve.

MIAMI DOLPHINS — Signed DEs Nick Cole and Tyshun Render, S Brian Cole, CBs Javaris Davis and Tino Ellis, C Tyler Gauthier, T Jonathan Hubbard, LB Kyran Johnson, TE Chris Myrick, G Duval Queiroz Neto, QB Reid Smetton and LS Rex Sunahara to reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Signed TE Brandon Dillon to a reserve/future contract for the 2021 season.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed WR Derrick Dillon and RB Jordan Chunn to reserve/future contracts for the 2021 season. Signed defensive coach Patrick Graham to a contract extension as assistant head coach/defensive coordinator.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Activated OT Brandon Shell from the reserve/COVID-19 list. Released G Wyatt Miller from the practice squad.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Signed RB C.J. Prosise to the practice squad. Released CB Mazzi Wilkins from practice squad.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Waived C Zack Smith.
COLORADO AVALANCHE — Announced LW Colin Wilson retired.
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Waived RW Denis Malgin.
National Women's Soccer League
SKY BLUE — Signed MF Sodam Lee for the 2021 season.

saving California wilderness,” she said. “He was a constant salesman, not for himself, but for the forest and the wilderness.”

Whitmore helped establish the Kaiser Wilderness in 1976 and the California Wilderness Act of 1984, which added 1.8 million acres into the National Wilderness Preservation System. He helped protect lakes and block dam projects and proposed highways and also helped prevent The Walt Disney Company from developing a proposed ski resort at Mineral King in the 1960s and ‘70s. It was stopped after sustained opposition by the Sierra Club and other preservationists and the valley subsequently became part of Sequoia National Park.

“A lot of times what it takes is someone like George who sticks to his guns and doesn't back down from a fight that he knows is the right thing to do,” said Gary Lasky, current chairman of the Sierra Club's Tehipite Chapter.

Lasky recalled Whitmore as a dignified man who was modest about his achievements but also tenacious and deliberate; he was able to see both the big picture and focus on crucial details, skills that served him as an environmentalist and a climber.

“He never bragged. He is a man of a few words. He would think and then speak,” said Lasky. “He was very gracious to everyone. He was beloved.”

Whitmore actively attended Sierra Club meetings until the pandemic started and the meetings went online, his wife said.



Roger Steinman/AP photo

Alabama wide receiver DeVonta Smith during the Rose Bowl against Notre Dame in Arlington, Texas, on Friday. Smith became the first receiver to win the Heisman Trophy since Michigan's Desmond Howard in 1991.

Heisman

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For the next two seasons, Smith was still often the overlooked star in the Tide's talented 2017 class of receivers that included All-American Jerry Jeudy and Henry Ruggs.

Both of those players decided to skip their senior seasons and enter the draft last year. Both were selected in the first round.

Smith returned to school to complete his degree and form an explosive combination for the Tide with junior Jaylen Waddle.

Then Waddle went down with a season-ending leg injury on Oct. 24.

As the Tide's undisputed No.

1 receiver, Smith shined.

The week after Waddle went out, Smith had 11 catches for 204 yards and four touchdowns against Mississippi State.

Smith's soaring one-handed TD grab against LSU was not just his signature play, but one of the 2020 season's best.

A former four-star recruit from Amite, Louisiana, Smith came to Tuscaloosa from LSU's backyard, disapproving the many Tigers' fans in his hometown.

He had only seven receptions as a freshman, and while he scored the winning touchdown in the national title game, the story of the game was the guy who threw it.

Tagovailoa was Alabama's