## the nBA Report

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## Western Conference

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| $x$-Denver | 50 | 27 | .649 | $1 / 2$ | Won 2 | $31-6$ | $19-21$ | $3-20$ |
| $x-$ Houston | 43 | 32 | .573 | $61 / 2$ | Lost 2 | $28-8$ | $15-24$ | $30-23$ |
| $x$-Utah | 42 | 34 | .553 | 8 | Won 2 | $29-7$ | $11-27$ | $33-21$ | $\begin{array}{lllllllll}x \text {-Utan } & 42 & 34 & .553 & 8 & \text { Won 2 } & 29-7 & 11-27 & 33-21 \\ \text { San Antonio } & 29 & 47 & .382 & 21 & \text { Lost 1 } & 22-16 & 7 \cdot 31 & 23-31 \\ \text { Sacramento } & 22 & 54 & .289 & 28 & \text { Lost 1 } & 18-21 & 4.33 & 16-37\end{array}$

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y -LA Lakers \& 57 \& 19 \& .750 \& - \& Lost 1 \& $34-5$ \& $23-14$ \& $41-13$ <br>
\hline -Portland \& 47 \& 28 \& .627 \& 10 \& Lost 1 \& $30-7$ \& $17-21$ \& $33-2$

 

hoenix \& 26 \& 50 \& .342 \& $301 / 2$ \& Won 1 \& $20-18$ \& $6-32$ \& $19-35$ <br>
\hline Golden State \& 19 \& 57 \& .244 \& $381 / 2$ \& Won 1 \& $15-23$ \& $4-34$ \& $14-40$ <br>
\hline A Clippers \& 17 \& 60 \& 221 \& 42 \& Lost 2 \& $14-25$ \& $3-35$ \& $13-41$ <br>
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\end{tabular} A Clippers $\frac{17}{}$.

WEDNESDAY'S SCORES
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Boston 123, Milwaukee } 104 & \text { Denver 120, LA. Lakers } 106 \\ \text { Philadelphia } 98 \text {, Washington } 97 & \text { Phoenix 123, San Antonio } 116\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Philadelphia } 98 \text {, Washington } 97 & \text { Phoenix 123, San Antonio } 116 \\ \text { Detroit 115, Cleveland go } 98 & \text { Golden State 112, Dallas } 110\end{array}$ TUES
LA Lakers 109, Portland 103 San Antonio 127, Houston 119 Dallas 104, Sacramento 96 Utah 100, LA Clippers 93
Chicago at Indiana, 8:30 pm
FRIDAY'S GAMES

Chicago at New Jersey $7: 30 \mathrm{pm} \quad$ Atlanta at Philadelphia $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ \begin{tabular}{ll}
Boston at Cleveland 7:30 \& Milwaukee at Detroit 8 pm <br>
\hline Vashington at New York 8:30 pm \& Sacramento at San Antonio 8:30 pm e.

 

Houston at Denver 9:30 pm \& Phoenix at LA Lakers 10:30 pm <br>
\hline Golden State at Portland 10:30 pm \& Dallas at Seattle 10: 30 pm
\end{tabular} EASTERN CONTENDERS' REMAINING GAMES (4 playoff berths remain) Mllwaukee (6) - Home (3): Tuesday, Philadelphia; Wednesday, Washington;

April 22, New York. Away (3): Friday, Detroit; Sunday, Chicago; April 23, New Cersey.
Cleveland (5) - Home (3): Friday, Boston; Monday, Indiana; April 23, Philadel-
phia. Away (2): Today, Detroit: April 22, Chicago. onial Away (2): Today, Detroitit April 22, Chicago.
Indiana (6) - Home (3): Today, Chicago; Saturday, Philadelphia; April 23, New Inclana (6) - Home (3): Today, Chicago; Saturday, Philadellphia; April 23, New
York. Away (3): Monday, Cleveland; Wednescay, Atlanta; April 22, Detroit. York. Away (3): Monday, Cleveland; Weadnescay, Alianta; Aprii 2, Detroit.
Washington (5) - Home (3): Sndayy, Boston; April 21, Detroit; April 23, Atlanta. Washington (5) - Home (3): Sunday, Boston; A
Away (2): Friday, New York; Wednesday, Milwaukee
Now York (5) - Home (2): Friday. Washington; Tuesday, Chicago. Away (3): Saturday, Atlanta; April 22, Milwauke: April 23 , Indiana.
Phlladelphla ( 6 - Home ( 3): Friday, Allanta; Tuesday, Milwaukee; April 21 , New ersey. Away (3): Saturday, Indiana; April 23, Cleveland; April 24, Deiroi.
VESTERN CONTENDERS' REMAINING GAMES (1 playoff spot remains) San Antonlo (6) - Home (3): Friday, Sacramento: Tuesday, Los Angeles LLakers;
April 24 , Dallas. Away (3): Saturday, Utah; April 21, Houston; April 22, Dallas. Phoen|x (6) - Home (3): Saturday, Seattle; Tuessay, Golden State: April) 22, Los Angeles Lakers. Away (3) Houston. Sacramento (5) - Home (2): Tuesday, Los Angeles Clippers; April 23, Portland.
Away (3): Today, Houston; Friday, San Antonio; Sunday, Portland; April 22, Golden


Charles Barkley



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- FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE



## Memphis State: Give to charity, not agent

## School hopes to regain players' eligibility Cavagnaro said he believes Gray Austin. Austin had his eligibilitit restored after being suspended for signing with agents Norby Walters

By Chris Mortensen Staff Writer Memphis State will recommend to the NCAA that basketball players Marvin Alexander and Sylvester
Gray each contribute $\$ 3,500$ to charity rather than repay the money owed to former Atlanta sports agen Jim Abernethy if their eligibility is
The proposal will be heard as
part of Memphis state's appeal on part or Memphis State's appeal on
behalf of the players to the NCAA on April 25.
quired that athletes who were de clared ineligible for receiving mon ey offer restitution to the source as - $\quad 1$
"Obviously, we don't think the
money should money should go to Abernethy,"
said Memphis State athletic director Charlie Cavagnaro. "And we don't think the money should go to our institution. So a charity, or per-
ated with Memphis State, would be appropriate."
Repayment will be made only if the NCAA eligibility committee de cides to rule in favor of Gray and
Alexander, Memphis State's two Alext. players. They were ruled ineligible Dec. 15 when the school was
notified of their association with Abernethy by The Atlanta JournalConstitution.
Gray would have two years of eligibility remaining, Alexander one. matter would be resolved by Wednesday because the national signing period reopened. If the ap-
peal is denied, Memphis State will peal is denied, Memphis State will
have two more scholarships to offer.

The declaration deadline for underclassmen who want to enter the NBA draft is May 14.
"We'd like to get this process and the student-athletes themselves," said Cavagnaro
cient penalty to reclaim their playing elifibiility special consideration", askidng for naro. "Both players have said Cavagharsh penalty. They lost virtually ne enormous seas. They have taken the personal embarrassment their mistake. They have been ridi-
culed in the newspars culed in the newspapers, the televi-
sion, the radio were the two best players on a They that won 20 est players on a team might have gone to the Final Four "Bor this situation.
Both Gray and Alexander also the time they were confronted with this. They were penalized because
they did not come forward on their own. I just feel very strongly they have paid their debt. They deserve
hanother chance," another chance."
ation compares to the players' situof Pittsburgh football op Univer Tersity
and Lloyd Bloom.
Austin, who cooperated with
NCAA and school officials had to NCAA and school officials, had to serve a two-game suspension by the
NCAA and an additional two-game Nuspension by Pitt. He also had to
sur repay the agents and secure a contract release from them.
Gray and Alexander would have Gray and Alexander would have
to be released from their contracts by Abernethy, who was unavailable for comment. Since Tennessee Attorney General Michael Cody is con-
sidering civil action against Abernethy, there is some question whether Abernethy will release the players. "We tried to meet with Aber-
nethy back in December, but he nethy back in December, but he
wanted immunity from any legal action, and we didn't feel we could do hat," said Cavagnaro.
Abernethy did meet with an
NCAA investigator three weeks ago to discuss his involvement with colto discuss his involvement with col-
lege athletes, including Gray and
Alexander.

## Nuggets belt Lakers 120-106


Dantley leads Pistons
over Cavaliers 115-98
DETROIT - Adrian Dantley scored 26 of his 28 points in the sec-
ond half Wednesday night to lead ond hatr Wednesday night to lead
the Detroit Pistons to a $115-98$ victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers. Isiah Thomas added 21 points
as the Pistons reached the 50 -vicas the Pistons reached the 50-vic-
tory mark for the second consecutory mark for the second consecu-
tive year and the third time in fran-
chise history Lary Nance scored chise history. Larry Nance scored
20 points, and Brad Daugherty add20 points, and Brad Da
ed 16 for the Cavaliers. CLEVELAND (98)

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## Knicks rout Pacers 127-107

 as Ewing scores 41 pointsNEW YORK - Patrick Ewing
continued his torrid scoring spurt continued his torrid scoring spurt
with 41 points in 26 minutes and the New York Knicks coasted to a 127 -
107 victory over the indiana (107)

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The 76ers' Maurice Cheeks (left) tries to strip the day night during first-half action at The Spectrum ball from Bullets' guard Tyrone Bogues Wednes- in Philadelphia.

## nollana  <br> Celtics win eighth straight by beating Bucks 123-104 <br> 26 BOSTON - Larry Bird scored added 10 assists as the Boston Celtics increased their season-high win- ning streak to eight games with a ning streak to eight games with a $123-104$ rout of the Milwaukee Bucks. Bucks. <br> $\overline{\text { MLLWAUKEE (104) }}$   <br>  haus $3 \cdot 30$ Miliswuke Bosto <br> ${ }_{26}^{19} 22_{39}^{23} 3926-123$ <br>  <br> 

Barkley's clutch three-pointer lifts 76ers past Bullets 98-97

PHILADELPHI PHILADELPHIA - Charles Barkiey connected on a three-point
shot at the buzzer to give the 76 ers
a 98.97 overtime victory a $98-97$ overtime victory over the
Washington Bullets, keeping PhilaWashington Bullets, keeping
delphia's playoff hopes alive.
$\frac{\text { WASHINGTON (97) }}{\text { Jones } 2.42 .26 \text {. } \text {. }}$

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Golden State upsets Dallas 112-110 on late free throws

OAKLAND, Calif. - Rookie forward Tellis Frank hit a poir of free
throws with two seconds left in the throws with two seconds left in the
game to lift the Golden State Warriors to a $112-110$ victory over the Dallas Mavericks.
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SuperSonics hammer Clippers 113-92 behind McDaniel

SEATTLE - Xavier McDaniel SEATTLE - Xavier McDaniel
scored 23 points and Kevin Wil-
liams had six of his 18 during a $21-7$
eattle spurt in the second quarter at the Los Angeles Clippers 113 $\frac{1}{2}$ La.







Johnson's 37 points carry Phoenix past Spurs 123-116 PHOENIX, Ariz. - Eddie Johnson scored 37 points and started a decisive $12-0$ run in the final thre ed a second-half collapse and with a $123-116$ win over the San An-
that tonio Spurs.
SAN ANTONIO (116)








