



SHORT-HANDED WINS

Packers continue winning ways
despite missing starpower

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Green Bay Packers players celebrate a Randall Cobb touchdown during the team's win over the Arizona Cardinals on Oct. 28 in Glendale, Arizona.

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Green Bay piling up the wins without core players

Team has been ravished by injuries on both sides of ball

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Through eight weeks of the NFL season, the Green Bay Packers own the No. 1 seed in the NFC.

While many wouldn't have called that a shocking development at the beginning of the season, the Pack owning the top spot while having several players sidelined with injuries or while on the COVID-19 list is quite the accomplishment.

At one time or another this season, the following players have missed games this season: wide receivers Davante Adams and Allen Lazard (COVID-19 list) and Marquez Valdes-Scantling (hamstring), offensive linemen David Bakhtiari (ACL), Josh Myers (knee), Elgton Jenkins (ankle), outside linebackers Preston Smith (oblique) and Za'Darius Smith (back) and cornerbacks Jaire Alexander and Kevin King (shoulder) — all of those players are starters.

The Packers even were able to find a way to win without their defensive coordinator Joe Barry on the sideline against the Arizona Cardinals, as he was also on the COVID-19 list.

Yet, the Packers enter week nine of the season with a 7-1 record, tied for the best in the entire NFL.

"I can't say enough about everybody stepping up," said coach Matt LaFleur after the Cardinals game.

"I think we're a gritty football team," said quarterback Aaron Rodgers.

LaFleur later talked about how everyone in the organization has bought into what the team concept is.

"Football is the ultimate team sport. It takes 11 guys to go out there and everybody owning their role, doing their job in order for us to have success," said LaFleur. "Realizing that each individual has their own goals and sometimes it doesn't necessarily go the way they want it to, but for all those guys in that locker room to buy into that team concept — it's a special group of people."

While Green Bay hopes to get



Green Bay Packers receiver Juwann Winfree makes a diving catch attempt during the team's win over the Arizona Cardinals on Oct. 28 in Glendale, Arizona. Winfree helped the Packers take down the Cardinals despite missing three wideouts.

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back some of its injured players at some point this season, the team was dealt two more injuries against Arizona.

Tight end Robert Tonyan and running back Kylin Hill were lost to season-ending knee injuries.

LaFleur got choked up when talking about Tonyan after the game, fearing he would be lost for the year with a knee injury.

While it's yet two more tough blows for the Packers and the team's goals and aspirations, the injuries have opened up more opportunities for players to step in and contribute to a team trying to win the NFC North before winning the NFC and then trying to make it to the Super Bowl and win it.

In the stead of the missing receivers, wideouts Randall Cobb, Juwann Winfree, Amari Rodgers, Equanimeous St. Brown and Malik Taylor have been given opportunities to step up.

Winfree ended up with the second-most receptions (4) in the team's win over Arizona, while St. Brown and Amari Rodgers also had timely catches.

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The veteran Cobb made his catches count, scoring two touchdowns on three grabs.

Solidifying the offensive line with Bakhtiari out the whole season has been rookies Royce Newman and Myers. Lucas Patrick has played lots of snaps over the past couple games with Myers now out, and earlier in the year, Yosh Nijman played big snaps when Jenkins was out. Veteran Billy Turner has been an anchor for the unit at right tackle.

With the Smiths out, players like Rashan Gary and newcomer Whitney Mercilus have stepped up to provide a boost to the Packers' pass rush.

Defensive linemen Dean Lowry and Kenny Clark have also done their part, aside from being run stuffers.

In the secondary, it's been cornerback Eric Stokes and Rasul Douglas that have emerged

to slow down opposing passing games. Douglas, of course, had the game-sealing interception against Arizona, while Stokes has held his own despite being a rookie. Cornerback Chandon Sullivan had a big INT against Washington, and safety Henry Black picked off a pass against the Cardinals to chip in.

It seems that no matter who has stepped in, they've made a play at some time or another to help the team to a win.

"They're resilient, they don't blink and they just find a way," said LaFleur.

The promising thing for the Packers, aside from their stellar record, is that with the return of some of its better players, the team should only improve.

Now would be a good time to start getting some of the stars back as the Pack prepares for the toughest portion of its schedule, with the Kansas City Chiefs, Seattle Seahawks, Minnesota Vikings, Los Angeles Rams up next before the team's bye week.

Late interception helps Pack top Cards

Green Bay now 7-1, atop NFC

By DAVID BRANDT
The Associated Press

Rasul Douglas was living the life of an NFL journeyman just a few weeks ago, bouncing between camps and practice squads in a frustrating process that is football's version of purgatory.

Finally, the Green Bay Packers liked what they saw. Now he's a Thursday night hero for the league's hottest team.

Douglas corralled an interception with 12 seconds left in the fourth quarter that helped the Packers knock off the previously unbeaten Arizona Cardinals 24-21 in a thriller that featured two of the NFL's top quarterbacks.

The Cardinals looked like they were going to rally to win their eighth straight game but Kyler Murray threw the stunning interception on second-and-goal as the home crowd groaned in disbelief. A.J. Green didn't expect the pass to come his way, never

turned around and Douglas was there to snatch the ball in the corner of the end zone.

It was a big night for some lesser-known Packers players. Douglas was added to the active roster just three weeks ago when the team needed help in the secondary. He was signed off the Cardinals practice squad, where he spent a few weeks earlier this year.

"This is why I love this squad," Rodgers said. "The guy that made the pick was with them (pointing to Cards sideline) for four weeks. He was on the streets. We brought him in. He's starting for us. He's a great dude. He's really meshed well with our team. To come up with a play like that with 15 seconds left is incredible."

Cobb's clutch night was much needed since Green Bay was playing without their two top receivers. Davante Adams and Allen Lazard were put on the reserve/COVID-19 list earlier in the week, but the 31-year-old Cobb responded with two touchdowns that were both tough catches in traffic.

"It was tough in the passing game

at times, but Cobb came up with a couple of big touchdown catches," Rodgers said.

Cobb's 6-yard touchdown catch on the first play of the fourth quarter put the Packers up 24-14. He was once one of the NFL's top receivers — making the Pro Bowl in 2014 with 1,287 yards receiving and 14 touchdowns — but has settled into more a secondary role late in his career.

He only caught three passes on Thursday, but they were important ones.

The Cardinals trailed for most of the night but rallied to pull within 24-21 on James Conner's second touchdown run of the night with 10:45 left in the fourth. Arizona then had a crucial goalline stand late in the fourth — capped by Devon Kennard swatting down Rodgers' fourth-down pass — giving them the ball back at the 1-yard line and an opportunity to go 99 yards for the win.

They almost made it.

Green Bay (7-1) has won seven straight games after dropping the season opener. Arizona (7-1) was trying to set a franchise record for longest

winning streak to start a season but instead tied the mark set in 1974.

Both teams were hampered in the early going by a lack of healthy receivers. The offensive pace picked up in the second half.

Green Bay's offense was a little more conservative without Adams and Lazard. Arizona's top receiver DeAndre Hopkins made a 55-yard catch in the first quarter but tweaked his sore hamstring on the play and didn't play for a big chunk of the game.

The Packers took advantage of a couple Cardinals mistakes to take a 17-7 lead by early in the third quarter.

The Packers grabbed a 10-7 halftime advantage by making a field goal after Cardinals rookie Rondale Moore mishandled a punt deep in Arizona territory.

Early in the third quarter, Murray threw a pass that was deflected by Moore into the hands of Green Bay's Henry Black at the Arizona 14. Five plays later, Rodgers found Cobb in the corner of the end zone for a touchdown and 17-7 lead.

Murray finished with 274 yards passing and two interceptions.



Green Bay Packers running back Aaron Jones, left, runs behind the blocking of offensive lineman Lucas Patrick, center, during the team's win over the Arizona Cardinals on Oct. 28 in Glendale, Arizona.

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PACKERS ROSTER

Active

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	EXP.	COLLEGE
2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	37	15	Colorado
7	Corey Bojorquez	P	6-0	217	25	4	New Mexico
8	Amari Rodgers	WR	5-9	212	22	R	Clemson
9	Jaylon Smith	LB	6-2	235	26	5	Notre Dame
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	23	2	Utah State
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	37	17	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	25	3	Iowa State
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	31	11	Kentucky
19	Equanimeous St. Brown	WR	6-5	214	25	4	Notre Dame
20	Kevin King	CB	6-3	200	26	5	Washington
21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	22	R	Georgia
22	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	23	R	Appalachian State
24	Isaac Yiadom	CB	6-1	190	25	4	Boston College
26	Darnell Savage	S	5-11	198	24	3	Maryland
28	AJ Dillon	RB	6-0	247	23	2	Boston College
29	Rasul Douglas	CB	6-2	209	26	5	West Virginia
31	Adrian Amos	S	6-0	214	28	7	Penn State
33	Aaron Jones	RB	5-9	208	26	5	Texas-El Paso
36	Vernon Scott	S	6-2	202	24	2	TCU
39	Chandon Sullivan	CB	5-11	189	25	4	Georgia State
41	Henry Black	S	6-0	204	24	2	Baylor
42	Oren Burks	LB	6-3	233	26	4	Vanderbilt
43	Hunter Bradley	LS	6-3	241	27	4	Mississippi State
44	Ty Summers	LB	6-1	241	25	3	TCU
49	Dominique Dafney	TE	6-2	243	24	1	Indiana State
50	Whitney Mercilus	LB	6-4	261	31	10	Illinois
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	23	2	UCLA
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	23	3	Michigan
53	Jonathan Garvin	LB	6-4	257	22	2	Miami
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	23	1	North Texas
58	Isaiah McDuffie	LB	6-1	227	22	R	Boston College
59	De'Vondre Campbell	LB	6-3	232	28	6	Minnesota
62	Lucas Patrick	G	6-3	313	28	5	Duke
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	24	1	Oregon
70	Royce Newman	T/G	6-5	310	24	R	Mississippi
73	Yosh Nijman	T	6-7	314	25	2	Virginia Tech
74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	25	3	Mississippi State
76	Jon Runyan	G	6-4	307	24	2	Michigan
77	Billy Turner	G/T	6-5	310	30	8	North Dakota State
79	Dennis Kelly	T	6-8	321	31	10	Purdue

81	Josiah Deguara	TE	6-2	238	24	2	Cincinnati
84	Tyler Davis	TE	6-4	252	24	2	Georgia Tech
86	Malik Taylor	WR	6-1	220	25	2	Ferris State
89	Mercedes Lewis	TE	6-6	267	37	16	UCLA
90	Jack Heflin	DL	6-3	304	23	R	Iowa
91	Preston Smith	LB	6-5	265	28	7	Mississippi State
93	T.J. Slaton	DL	6-4	330	24	R	Florida
94	Dean Lowry	DL	6-6	296	27	6	Northwestern
95	Tyler Lancaster	DL	6-3	313	26	4	Northwestern
96	Kingsley Keke	DL	6-3	288	25	3	Texas A&M
97	Kenny Clark	DL	6-3	314	26	6	UCLA
Reserve/Injured							
23	Jaire Alexander	CB	5-10	196	24	4	Louisville
25	Will Redmond	S	5-11	186	27	6	Mississippi State
32	Kylin Hill	RB	5-10	214	23	R	Mississippi State
47	Chauncey Rivers	LB	6-2	259	24	1	Mississippi State
55	Za'Darius Smith	LB	6-4	272	29	7	Kentucky
56	Randy Ramsey	LB	6-3	238	26	2	Arkansas
71	Josh Myers	C/G	6-5	310	23	R	Ohio State
83	Marquez Valdes-Scantling	WR	6-4	206	27	4	South Florida
85	Robert Tonyan	TE	6-5	237	27	4	Indiana State
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform							
69	David Bakhtiari	T	6-4	310	30	9	Colorado
Practice Squad							
6	Kurt Benkert	QB	6-3	218	26	2	Virginia
11	J.J. Molson	K	5-11	180	24	1	UCLA
16	Chris Blair	WR	6-2	198	24	R	Alcorn State
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	23	1	Memphis
30	Shawn Davis	S	5-11	202	23	R	Florida
38	Innis Gaines	S	6-1	202	23	R	TCU
40	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	24	1	Utah State
45	Bronson Kaufusi	TE	6-6	270	30	3	Brigham Young
46	Steven Wirtel	LS	6-4	228	24	1	Iowa State
48	Kabion Ento	CB	6-1	187	25	2	Colorado
57	Ray Wilborn	LB	6-3	230	24	1	Ball State
64	Ben Braden	G	6-6	329	27	2	Michigan
78	Cole Van Lanen	T/G	6-4	305	23	R	Wisconsin
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	25	2	Colorado
98	Aaron Adeoye	LB	6-6	260	28	1	Southeast Missouri State
99	R.J. McIntosh	DL	6-5	286	25	4	Miami
Reserve/COVID-19 list							
17	Davante Adams	WR	6-1	215	28	8	Fresno State



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1	Jerick McKinnon	RB	5-9	201	29	8	Georgia Southern
4	Chad Henne	QB	6-3	215	36	14	Michigan
5	Tommy Townsend	P	6-1	194	24	2	Florida
7	Harrison Butker	K	6-4	196	26	5	Georgia Tech
10	Tyreek Hill	WR	5-10	185	27	6	West Alabama
11	Demarcus Robinson	WR	6-1	202	27	6	Florida
13	Byron Pringle	WR	6-1	201	27	4	Kansas State
15	Patrick Mahomes	QB	6-3	227	26	5	Texas Tech
17	Mecole Hardman	WR	5-10	180	23	3	Georgia
19	Josh Gordon	WR	6-3	225	30	5	Baylor
21	Mike Hughes	CB	5-10	186	24	4	UCF
22	Juan Thornhill	S	6-0	203	26	3	Virginia
23	Armani Watts	S	5-11	190	25	4	Texas A&M
26	Chris Lammons	CB	5-10	182	25	2	South Carolina
27	Rashad Fenton	CB	5-11	193	24	3	South Carolina
30	DeAndre Baker	CB	5-11	186	24	2	Georgia
31	Darrel Williams	RB	5-11	219	26	4	LSU
32	Tyrann Mathieu	S	5-9	190	29	9	LSU
35	Charvarius Ward	CB	6-1	195	25	4	Middle Tennessee State
38	L'Jarius Sneed	CB	6-0	189	24	2	Louisiana Tech
40	Derrick Gore	RB	5-10	207	26	1	Louisiana-Monroe
41	James Winchester	LS	6-3	242	32	7	Oklahoma
44	Dorian O'Daniel	LB	6-1	217	27	4	Clemson
45	Michael Burton	FB	6-0	243	29	7	Rutgers
49	Daniel Sorensen	S	6-2	200	31	8	Brigham Young
50	Willie Gay	LB	6-1	235	23	2	Mississippi State
51	Mike Danna	DE	6-2	255	23	2	Michigan
52	Creed Humphrey	OL	6-5	309	22	R	Oklahoma
53	Anthony Hitchens	LB	6-0	231	29	8	Iowa
54	Nick Bolton	LB	6-0	237	21	R	Missouri
55	Frank Clark	DE	6-3	261	28	7	Michigan
56	Ben Niemann	LB	6-2	233	26	4	Iowa
57	Orlando Brown	T	6-8	363	25	4	Oklahoma
62	Joe Thuney	OL	6-5	304	28	6	N.C. State
65	Trey Smith	OL	6-5	329	22	R	Tennessee
66	Austin Blythe	OL	6-2	280	29	6	Iowa
67	Lucas Niang	OL	6-6	339	23	1	TCU

70	Prince Tega Wanogho	T	6-5	303	23	1	Auburn
73	Nick Allegretti	G	6-4	315	25	3	Illinois
75	Mike Remmers	T	6-5	301	32	9	Oregon State
76	Laurent Duvernay-Tardif	G	6-5	316	30	7	McGill (Canada)
77	Andrew Wylie	G	6-6	310	27	4	Eastern Michigan
81	Blake Bell	TE	6-6	260	30	7	Oklahoma
83	Noah Gray	TE	6-4	243	22	R	Duke
85	Marcus Kemp	WR	6-4	208	26	4	Hawaii
87	Travis Kelce	TE	6-5	256	32	9	Cincinnati
90	Jarran Reed	DT	6-3	313	28	6	Alabama
91	Derrick Nnadi	DT	6-1	317	25	4	Florida State
95	Chris Jones	DT	6-6	298	27	6	Mississippi State
97	Alex Okafor	DE	6-4	261	30	9	Texas
98	Tershawn Wharton	DT	6-4	278	23	2	Missouri S&T
99	Khalen Saunders	DT	6-0	324	25	3	Western Illinois

Reserve/Injured

25	Clyde Edwards-Helaire	RB	5-7	205	22	2	LSU
59	Joshua Kaindoh	DE	6-5	262	22	R	Florida State
84	Chad Williams	WR	6-2	204	27	3	Grambling State
88	Jody Fortson	TE	6-6	240	25	1	Valdosta State

Reserve/Non-Football Injury

70	Malik Herring	DE	6-3	280	23	R	Georgia
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Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform

69	Kyle Long	OL	6-6	332	32	8	Oregon
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Practice Squad

2	Dicaprio Bootle	DB	5-10	182	24	R	Nebraska
6	Shane Buechele	QB	6-0	208	23	R	SMU
12	Gehrig Dieter	WR	6-3	208	28	2	Alabama
14	Cornell Powell	WR	6-0	210	24	R	Clemson
24	Devon Key	DB	6-0	204	24	R	Western Kentucky
34	Elijah McGuire	RB	5-10	214	27	3	Louisiana-Lafayette
39	Zayne Anderson	DB	6-2	205	24	R	BYU
43	Elijah Sullivan	LB	6-0	215	24	R	Kansas State
46	Christian Rozeboom	LB	6-2	230	24	1	South Dakota State
47	Darius Harris	LB	6-2	240	25	2	Middle Tennessee
60	Austin Edwards	DE	6-5	273	24	1	Ferris State
79	Cortez Broughton	DT	6-2	293	25	3	Cincinnati
80	Mark Vital	TE	6-5	250	24	R	Baylor
82	Daurice Fountain	WR	6-1	212	25	3	Northern Iowa
92	Shilique Calhoun	LB	6-5	251	29	6	Michigan State

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Last meeting, regular season: Oct. 27, 2019, Packers won 31-24 at Arrowhead Stadium. Aaron Rodgers threw for 305 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Pack past the Patrick Mahomes-less Chiefs.

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Sept. 12	at New Orleans	Loss 38-3	
Sept. 20	vs. Detroit	Win 35-17	
Sept. 26	at San Francisco	Win 30-28	
Oct. 3	vs. Pittsburgh	Win 27-17	
Oct. 10	at Cincinnati	Win 25-22	
Oct. 17	at Chicago	Win 24-14	
Oct. 24	vs. Washington	Win 24-10	
Oct. 28	at Arizona	Win 24-21	
Nov. 7	at Kansas City	3:25 p.m.	FOX
Nov. 14	vs. Seattle	3:25 p.m.	CBS
Nov. 21	at Minnesota	noon	FOX
Nov. 28	vs. L.A. Rams	3:25 p.m.	FOX
BYE WEEK			
Dec. 12	vs. Chicago	7:20 p.m.	NBC
Dec. 19	at Baltimore	noon	FOX
Dec. 25	vs. Cleveland	3:30 p.m.	FOX
Jan. 2	vs. Minnesota	7:20 p.m.	NBC
Jan. 9	at Detroit	noon	FOX

OFFENSE

RB
Aaron Jones
A.J. Dillon



QB
Aaron Rodgers
Jordan Love



WR
Davante Adams
Equanimeous St. Brown



TE
Robert Tonyan
Tyler Davis



RT
Billy Turner
Dennis Kelly



RG
Royce Newman
Lucas Patrick



C
Lucas Patrick
Jake Hanson



LG
Jon Runyan
Lucas Patrick



LT
Elgton Jenkins
Yosh Nijman



TE
Marcedes Lewis
Josiah Deguara



WR
Allen Lazard
Randall Cobb



DEFENSE

CB
Kevin King
Chandon Sullivan



DE
Dean Lowry
Tyler Lancaster



NT
Kenny Clark
T.J. Slaton



DE
Kingsley Keke
Jack Heflin



CB
Eric Stokes
Rasul Douglas



OLB
Preston Smith
Whitney Mercilus



ILB
Krys Barnes
Oren Burks



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De'Vondre Campbell
Jaylon Smith



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Nick Allegretti

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Blake Bell

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Mecole Hardman
Demarcus Robinson

RB
Darrel Williams
Jerick McKinnon

QB
Patrick Mahomes
Chad Henne

FB
Michael Burton

DEFENSE

CB
Charvarius Ward
Chris Lammons

CB
Mike Hughes
Rashad Fenton

DE
Chris Jones
Alex Okafor

DT
Jarran Reed
Tershawn Wharton

DT
Derrick Nnadi
Khalen Saunders

DE
Frank Clark
Mike Danna

CB
L'Jarius Sneed
Rashad Fenton

LB
Ben Niemann
Nick Bolton

LB
Anthony Hitchens
Willie Gay

S
Juan Thornhill
Daniel Sorensen

S
Tyrann Mathieu
Armani Watts

SCHEDULE

Sunday's Games
Atlanta at New Orleans, noon
Denver at Dallas, noon
New England at Carolina, noon
Minnesota at Baltimore, noon
Cleveland at Cincinnati, noon
Buffalo at Jacksonville, noon
Houston at Miami, noon
Las Vegas at N.Y. Giants, noon
L.A. Chargers at Philadelphia, 3:05 p.m.
Green Bay at Kansas City, 3:25 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
Tennessee at L.A. Rams, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Game
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 7:15 p.m.

Teams on bye: Detroit, Seattle, Tampa Bay, Washington

Thursday's Game
Baltimore at Miami, 7:20 p.m.

STANDINGS

NFC East				AFC East			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Dallas	6	1	0	Buffalo	5	2	0
Philadelphia	3	5	0	New England	4	4	0
Washington	2	6	0	N.Y. Jets	2	5	0
N.Y. Giants	2	6	0	Miami	1	7	0
North				North			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Green Bay	7	1	0	Baltimore	5	2	0
Minnesota	3	4	0	Cincinnati	5	3	0
Chicago	3	5	0	Pittsburgh	4	3	0
Detroit	0	8	0	Cleveland	4	4	0
South				South			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Tampa Bay	6	2	0	Tennessee	6	2	0
New Orleans	5	2	0	Indianapolis	3	5	0
Carolina	4	4	0	Jacksonville	1	6	0
Atlanta	3	4	0	Houston	1	7	0
West				West			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Arizona	7	1	0	Las Vegas	5	2	0
L.A. Rams	7	1	0	L.A. Chargers	4	3	0
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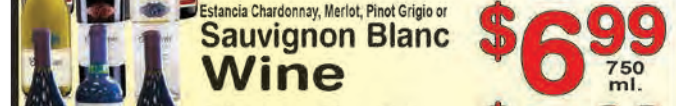
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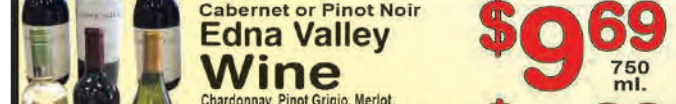
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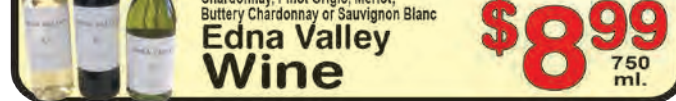
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Minnesota @ Baltimore
New England @ Carolina
Cleveland @ Cincinnati
Denver @ Dallas
Buffalo @ Jacksonville
Houston @ Miami
Atlanta @ New Orleans
Las Vegas @ NY Giants
LA Chargers @ Philadelphia
Arizona @ San Francisco
Tennessee @ LA Rams
Chicago @ Pittsburgh Mon., Nov. 8

Tie Breaker Game: Green Bay @ Kansas City

Weekly Standings

	Weekly Record	Overall Record
God's Purpose Apparel	10-5	85-37
Shawano Seasons Restaurant	10-5	82-40
Tower Clock Eye Center	9-6	82-40
Buss Automotive	8-7	81-41
Hawkeye Hearth & Home	9-6	80-42
Tim Murphy	9-6	80-42
22 Shell	9-6	79-43
Dennis Brei	8-7	79-43
Morgan Rode	8-7	78-44

Weekly Standings

	Weekly Record	Overall Record
Smokey Joe's	10-5	78-44
Shawano Place Assisted Living	7-8	77-45
Idell Johnston, State Farm Ins. Agent	10-5	76-46
P & D Sales & Service	9-6	75-47
B & C Auto Recycling	8-7	74-48
Gehm's Club 117	10-5	71-51
Cirrinity/Wittenberg Telephone	6-9	67-55
Iverson's Piggly Wiggly	6-9	66-56
Senn Insurance	6-9	66-56



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis Miami Pittsburgh
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New England Las Vegas
Cincinnati LA Chargers
Dallas Arizona
Buffalo LA Rams

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 31 @ Kansas City 34



Tim Murphy
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Leader

This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis Miami Pittsburgh
Baltimore New Orleans
New England Las Vegas
Cincinnati LA Chargers
Dallas Arizona
Buffalo LA Rams

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 20 @ Kansas City 34



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis Houston Pittsburgh
Baltimore New Orleans
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Cleveland LA Chargers
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Buffalo LA Rams

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 31 @ Kansas City 20

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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 34 @ Kansas City 31



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Houston	Chicago
Minnesota	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cleveland	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 32 @ Kansas City 24



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This Week's Picks:

NY Jets	Miami	Pittsburgh
Minnesota	New Orleans	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Philadelphia	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 23 @ Kansas City 17



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Kansas City 17



Dena
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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 31 @ Kansas City 28



Sophie
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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cleveland	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 34 @ Kansas City 28



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Kansas City 17



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
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Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 38 @ Kansas City 35



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 31 @ Kansas City 17



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Chicago
Minnesota	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Jacksonville	Tennessee	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 34 @ Kansas City 17



Shane Senn
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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 27 @ Kansas City 23



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	Tennessee	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 38 @ Kansas City 28



Chris
God's Purpose
Apparel

This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Miami	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	New Orleans	
New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 30 @ Kansas City 17



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This Week's Picks:

Indianapolis	Houston	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	Atlanta	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cleveland	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Arizona	
Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Kansas City 21



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Indianapolis	Houston	Pittsburgh
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New England	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
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Buffalo	LA Rams	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 30 @ Kansas City 28

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Monday, September 20	7:25 pm	AT NEW YORK JETS	ESPN
Sunday, September 26	12:20 pm	@ San Francisco 49ers	NBC

OCTOBER

Sunday, October 03	3:25 pm	Pittsburgh Steelers (GOLD)	CBS
Sunday, October 10	NOON*	@ Cleveland Browns	FOX
Sunday, October 17	NOON*	@ Chicago Bears	FOX
Sunday, October 24	NOON*	WASHINGTON FOOTBALL TEAM	FOX
Thursday, October 28	7:30 pm	@ Arizona Cardinals	FOX

NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 07	3:25 pm*	@ Kansas City Chiefs	FOX
Sunday, November 14	3:25 pm*	SEATTLE SEAHAWKS	CBS
Sunday, November 21	NOON*	@ Minnesota Vikings	FOX
Sunday, November 28	3:25 pm*	AT NEW JERSEY GIANTS (GOLD)	FOX

DECEMBER

BYE WEEK			
Sunday, December 12	7:20 pm*	WINDSOR STARS	NBC
Sunday, December 19	NOON*	@ Nashville Predators	FOX
Saturday, December 25	3:30 pm	CLEVELAND BROWNS	FOX

JANUARY

Sunday, January 02	7:20 pm*	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	NBC
Sunday, January 09	NOON*	@ DETROIT LIONS	FOX

NOTEBOOK

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Replacing Bobby Tonyan

Robert Tonyan's season ended before it really got a chance to begin.

Last season, the Green Bay Packers' big-play tight end was one of the NFL's breakout stars. He scored 11 touchdowns – tied for No. 1 among all tight ends – and failed to catch only seven of the 59 passes thrown his way. Through six games this season, he had 11 receptions vs. nine incompletions and only one touchdown.

Tonyan had just started to get rolling, with four receptions for 63 yards and one touchdown vs. Washington and a season-long 33-yard catch vs. Arizona.

That roll might have gained momentum once All-Pro left tackle David Bakhtiari returned to the lineup, freeing up Tonyan to run more routes rather than staying in to contribute with pass protection. Instead, he suffered a torn ACL at the end of his big gain against the Cardinals.

"That's a tough one," coach Matt LaFleur said. "Bobby provided so much, and the thing that you really, truly appreciate about a guy like him is even when he wasn't getting the targets, he was still doing his job. When we were asking him to chip guys, whether it was a guy like Nick Bosa and being able to put him on the ground a couple times. He did an outstanding job both in the run and the pass.

"And then when he was targeted, he made the most of those. I feel sick for him just knowing how much that he puts into this game, not only during the season but in the offseason. He attacks it the right way. I know it's just a little blip on the radar for him. He'll be back. He'll be stronger. He'll be better. But it's definitely disappointing for us as a football team and I know it is for him, as well."

It's a huge loss for the team, which has tight end depth but nobody with Tonyan's skill-set. And it's a huge loss for Tonyan, who will be a free agent this coming offseason and might miss out on a big payday.

"My heart hurts for Bobby, man," said fellow tight end Josiah Deguara, whose 2020 rookie season ended with a torn ACL. "Obviously, went through something similar last year. When he heard the news and was going through those emotions, I offered my support for him, tell him I love him and any advice, anything he needs, I'm here for him. I know he's going to attack it and come back better than he was."

Now, a position so strong that the



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, right, tosses a pass to tight end Josiah Deguara during a game against the Arizona Cardinals on Oct. 28 in Glendale, Arizona. Deguara will be among the players needing to step up after an injury to Robert Tonyan.

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team jettisoned 2019 third-round pick Jace Sternberger at the end of training camp might have to adapt on the fly. Veteran Mercedes Lewis, the oldest tight end in the NFL, has started all season but is much more of a blocker than receiver at this stage of his career.

The other options on the roster are Deguara, a third-round pick last year, Dominique Dafney, who started last season working as a bouncer at a bar in Iowa, and Tyler Davis, a sixth-round pick in 2020 who was signed off the Colts' practice squad on Sept. 28.

At 6-foot-2, Deguara (four catches, 28 yards in 101 snaps) and Dafney (zero catches in 62 snaps) hardly are NFL prototypes for the position. The 6-foot-4 Davis has zero career receptions and played five snaps in five games this season.

While all four players might get more opportunities, the best size-for-size comparison to Tonyan on the roster is receiver Allen Lazard. Lazard might not line up as a traditional tight end but he does like doing the dirty work. Plus, about half of Tonyan's snaps came at receiver, so that group could get more chances, too.

"We have a lot of confidence in

those guys in that room. But it doesn't necessarily have to come from that position," LaFleur said. "All our backs do a really good job out of the backfield. It could provide more targets for the wide receiving core. So, we're going to have to get that production in other areas and we'll have to adjust to that."

Turn up the volume

From a schematic perspective, a coach gets little from watching a game on television. Nonetheless, even with a lot of the game plan in place, LaFleur was an interested viewer when the Chiefs hosted the New York Giants on Monday night.

Or, perhaps more accurately, LaFleur was an interested listener. With microphones all over the field providing viewers with a more immersive experience, there are tips to be gained by hearing the on-the-field adjustments.

"I think everybody does that," LaFleur said. "Every week, we have people that go back and watch all the TV copies. You have to watch what you put out there, too, because there's certainly an element to that. You can gain a lot of information just by hearing what the opposition is saying."

It's a two-way street this week. The Packers played in a nationally televised game on Thursday. Those national games have more cameras and more microphones than the typical Sunday noon game. So, while LaFleur's staff was interested in what the Chiefs had to say on Monday, the Chiefs no doubt were interested to hear Aaron Rodgers' audibles vs. Arizona.

That means NFL language is constantly evolving.

"I think that's a constant, just in terms of trying to play the game within the game, you know?" LaFleur said. "Trying to have some dummy calls so that people don't catch on to what you're doing or you might have very similar calls, or some weeks you could have the same call and it means something different. But that is a constant thing you're always evaluating."

Chief concern

While Monday night's performance against the Giants will move up the charts a bit, the Chiefs entered the week ranked 27th in points allowed, 31st in yards allowed, 29th on third down and 27th in the red zone.

Can Green Bay's offense take advantage? Last season, the Packers were No. 1 in the NFL in scoring. This year, they're 16th. Other than superior ball security, the offense is awash in mediocrity. Green Bay is 22nd in total offense, 12th on third down, 20th in the red zone and 28th in goal-to-go situations.

"You've got to give credit to some of the defenses we've played have been pretty stout," LaFleur said. "But I think there's been a lot of missed opportunities. You can look back at the (Arizona) game, having first-and-goal and the ball on the 3 and then having first-and-goal at the 1 and not punching it in. You've got to maximize those opportunities. Certainly, the way the season has started definitely did not help, when you get basically shut out and don't put up the production. It takes a while to climb out of that hole. I thought we've done some good things, but I think we're just kind of scratching the surface of we believe we could be."

To be sure, the injuries have had a role. It's a different offense without the All-Pro Bakhtiari protecting Rodgers' blind side. Ultimately, as LaFleur said a couple weeks ago, stats are for losers. Yes, stats matter. But the only stat that matters is the scoreboard. The Packers are rolling and presumably will get better once Bakhtiari makes his debut and Valdes-Scantling returns from his lengthy absence.

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KEYS TO THE GAME

By **BILL HUBER**

Correspondent

The Green Bay Packers (7-1) will travel to face the Kansas City Chiefs (4-4) at 3:25 p.m. at Arrowhead Stadium. FOX will televise the game.

History

The Chiefs lead the series 7-5-1, though Green Bay has won two in a row and three of the last four.

Coaches

Green Bay – Matt LaFleur, 33-7, third season. Kansas City — Andy Reid, 225-134-1, 23rd season; 95-41 in ninth season with Kansas City.

When the Packers have the ball

The Packers have faced a lot of high-quality defenses fueled by powerhouse defensive lines. Not so this week. Kansas City has allowed 27-plus points in six games, with the lone exceptions coming against punchless Washington in week six and the Giants on Monday night.

The Chiefs are 25th with 27.5 points allowed per game. They are last in yards allowed per play (6.43), 28th in rushing per play (4.64), 29th in passing per play (8.11). They also are 31st in sack percentage, 26th on third down and 27th in the red zone.

Kansas City does have a couple stud players. One of them is defensive end Chris Jones, who had 15.5 sacks in 2018 and a total of 16.5 sacks while earning Pro Bowl honors the past two seasons. He's tied for the team lead with three sacks in six games. Frank Clark is the other end, and Derrick Nnadi and Jarran Reed are the starting tackles.

Unless Clark, Reed and Nnadi get going, this defense's goose is cooked. Clark, who had 32 sacks for Seattle from 2016 through 2018, collected his first sack of the season against the Giants. Reed, a first-round pick by Seattle



Green Bay Packers safety Adrian Amos, right, chases down Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray during the team's matchup on Oct. 28 in Glendale, Arizona. After slowing down the Cardinals' dynamic offense, the Packers' defense will try and slow the dangerous Kansas City Chiefs offense.

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in 2016 who had 10.5 sacks in 2018 and 6.5 sacks in 2020, is looking for his first sack with his new team.

Nnadi had 47 tackles last season but only 17 this year. End Michael Danna (three sacks, team-high seven quarterback hits) and tackle Khaleke Hudson, a 320-pound run stuffer, provide the depth.

At linebacker, rookie Nick Bolton leads the team with 66 tackles and nine tackles for losses. With veteran Anthony Hitchens (32 tackles) out on Monday with a triceps injury, Bolton was flanked by Ben Niemann (25 tackles) and Willie Gay (14 tackles, two interceptions). Hitchens and Bolton are the top players by snaps but all four will play. Gay had nine tackles and a pick vs. New York.

Charvarius Ward and L'Jarius Sneed are the starting cornerbacks. On passing downs, Sneed moves into the slot and Rashad Fenton enters at corner.

Sneed is the weakest of the links.

Of the 133 cornerbacks with 20 percent playing time, the 145.1 passer rating he's allowed ranks 129th, according to Pro Football Focus. Fenton is tied for the team lead with four passes defended. Former first-round picks Mike Hughes (Vikings) and DeAndre Baker (Giants) played zero defensive snaps on Monday.

Tyrann Mathieu and Juan Thornhill are the safeties. Mathieu is the Chiefs' other defensive stud. An All-Pro the past two seasons after recording four interceptions and 12 passes defended in 2019 and six interceptions and nine passes defended in 2020, he is capable of turning a game on a single play. He's got two interceptions, including a pick-six, this year. What he's lost athletically he makes up for in veteran savvy.

Veteran safety Daniel Sorenson is the sixth defensive back and a liability in coverage.

When the Chiefs have the ball

This is a star-studded group, with Mahomes, receiver Tyreek Hill and tight end Travis Kelce being among the elite players in the NFL. Thus far, it hasn't added up to elite production.

In 2018, Mahomes won MVP. In 2019, he led the team to a Super Bowl victory. In 2020, he led the team back to the Super Bowl. He threw 114 touchdown passes vs. 23 interceptions during that span, including 64 touchdowns and 11 interceptions the last two years.

This season, he's thrown 19 touchdowns vs. 10 interceptions. Those mistakes are why the Chiefs are scuffling offensively. They're ninth with 26 points per game and 5.99 yards per play, sixth with 4.81 yards per rush and 13th with 6.95 yards per pass. They've

dominated on third down (league-best 55 percent) but are just 19th in the red zone (57.6 percent).

While Green Bay's Davante Adams might be the best receiver in the NFL, Hill is the most-feared perimeter player in the league because of his game-breaking speed. Defenders play so far off him that the underneath game is easy pickings. He leads the team with a league-high 64 receptions for 735 yards (11.5 average) and six touchdowns.

Mecole Hardman is third on the team with 35 receptions, and fellow receivers Byron Pringle and Demarcus Robinson have two touchdowns apiece.

Kelce has 49 receptions for 560 yards and four touchdowns.

With Clyde Edwards-Helaire out with a knee injury, Damien Williams and Derrick Gore combined for 97 yards on 24 carries vs. the Giants.

After getting overrun by Tampa Bay in the Super Bowl, the Chiefs invested heavily on their offensive line. In fact, they're lining up with five new starters.

Left tackle Orlando Brown was a Pro Bowler with Baltimore in 2019 and 2020. Joe Thuney was a Pro Bowl-caliber left guard during his five seasons in New England. Center Creed Humphrey was a second-round pick in this year's draft. Right guard Trey Smith was a sixth-round pick in this year's draft due to medical concerns and not talent.

Right tackle Lucas Niang was a third-round pick last year who was a COVID opt-out as a rookie. The Packers could have had Humphrey but selected Josh Myers, instead.

Special teams

The big matchup will be Packers punter Corey Bojorquez vs. Hardman. Bojorquez is coming off a superb performance vs. Arizona and is seventh in the league with a net average of 43.3 yards per punt. Hardman is averaging 13.8 yards per punt return this season and had a 67-yard touchdown last year.

Harrison Butker has made all 25 extra points and is 9-of-10 on field goals. Second-year punter Tommy Townsend has a 42.9-yard net average with nine punts inside the 20 and zero touchbacks. Pringle will test Green Bay's improving kickoff-coverage unit with his 24.6-yard average.

Green Bay lost rookie running back Kylin Hill to a knee injury last week. He was averaging 19.9 yards per kickoff return with a 41-yarder vs. Detroit. Malik Taylor finished the Arizona game in that role; he averaged just 18.6 yards per runback last year.

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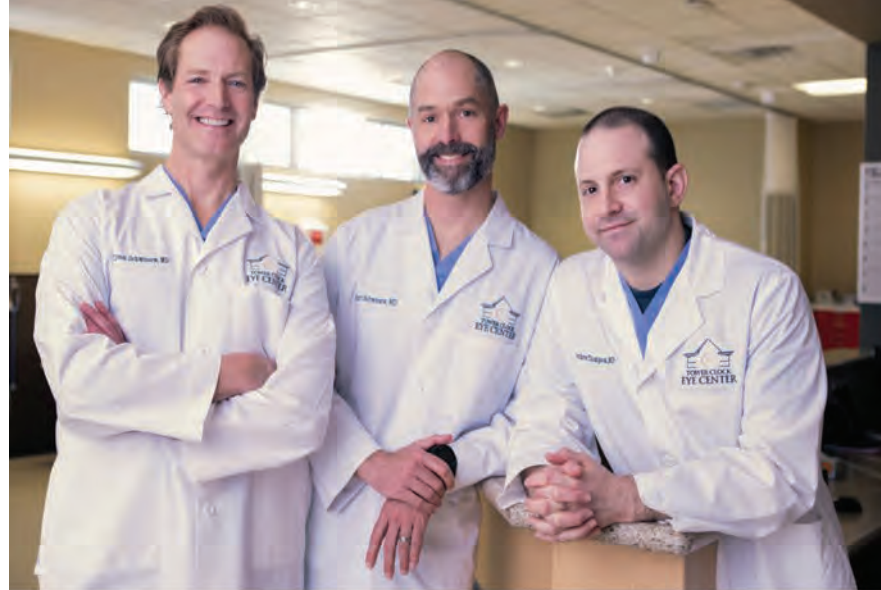
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