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## Derek Jeter's Years as a Yankee

by Jonah Frumkin, 5G

Derek Jeter was one of the best baseball athletes of all time. He was born on June 26, 1974 in Pequannock, New Jersey but grew up in Michigan and came to be a famous baseball athlete. Jeter was the number two hitter in the New York Yankees lineup, played shortstop for them, and was their captain. Jeter wore number 2 on his Yankees jersey for 19 years from 1995-2014. Jeter was an amazing and great baseball athlete but he was also one of the best leaders of all time. In 2009 Derek Jeter did a great job of picking up his team and led the Yankees to a World Series win against the Philadelphia Phillies. Jeter had great sportsmanship and would congratulate you if you reached second base on the Yankees. For example, if you were a rookie and you got your first double against the Yankees, he would come over and say, "Congratulations on your first double." **Cont'd on Page 2**



Jeter says good-bye for the last time.



### MLB Playoffs Update

As went to press the Washington Nationals had lost their playoff bid to the San Francisco Giants, and the Baltimore Orioles were struggling against the Kansas City Royals to stay in. Hopes for a "Beltway" World Series were crushed and everyone was hoping that the Orioles could pull out a win! See Chris O'Brien's predictions on page 2. He made them way back in early October!



## Jordan Zimmermann's No-Hitter

by Paloma Benach, 5C

"He's got it! He's got it! It's a no hitter for Jordan Zimmermann!"

On September 28, 2014, one Nationals' pitcher, a 28-year-old, 6'2" right-handed hurler named Jordan M. Zimmermann, threw the first no hitter in Nationals history. Fans haven't seen anything like it since the Senators' Bobby Burke threw one against the Red Sox in 1931.

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# MLB POSTSEASON BRACKET

by Christopher O'Brien, 5S

As baseball's regular season has just ended and the postseason is beginning, the big question is: how far will my favorite team go? Well, *Sports X-Treme* predicts the Baltimore Orioles will win the World Series. Powered by All-stars Adam Jones and Nelson Cruz, the Orioles have what it takes to win it all.

## SPORTS X-TREME'S PLAYOFF PREDICTIONS



## Jeter's Career as a Yankee..Cont'd from p. 1



**Derek Jeter after the Yankees won the 2009 World Series**

On July 11, 2011, Derek Jeter reached the 3,000 hit mark by hitting a home run in the third inning against the Tampa Bay Rays and led them to a 5-4 victory. Jeter led the Yankees to the World Series seven times and won it six times during his career and won the 1996 Rookie of the Year award. Here are Derek Jeter's career batting statistics: .310 batting average (AVG), 260 home runs (HR), 3,465 hits (H), 1,311 runs batted in (RBI), and a .337 on base percentage (OBP). As you can see, his career batting statistics were pretty good.

On September, 7 2014, he gave a farewell speech at Yankee Stadium right before the game with some amazing athletes there at the stadium including Michael Jordan and Cal Ripken Jr., former Yankees players, Reggie Jackson and Dave Winfield, and his former Yankees teammates, Mariano Rivera and Jorge Posada. Jeter's last Major League Baseball game was on Sunday September 28, 2014 at Fenway Park vs the Boston Red Sox. His last at bat was his 3,465th hit which was a RBI single to the infield, and the Yankees beat the Red Sox 9-5. Derek Jeter had an average salary of \$17 million per year. Derek Jeter is a great baseball player, role model, and a terrific leader. Even though Jeter has retired as a Major League Baseball player, he had an amazing 20 years as a Yankee and he still has many more years to go as a great leader.

# Zimmermann Pitches No-Hitter in Last Regular Season Game

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The game ended with an incredible catch by rookie left fielder, Stephen Souza.



**Rookie Stephen Souza cinched Zimmermann's no-hitter with an incredible game-ending catch in deep left field.**

Zimmermann closed his year with 14 wins and 5 losses, a 2.66 ERA, and 182 strikeouts. The last time anyone threw a no hitter was Sept. 1, 2014. Cole Hamels pitched a no hitter against the Braves. The Phillies beat them, 7-0. The last perfect game--which is when *nobody* on the opposing team reaches first base--was pitched by Felix Hernandez , August 15, 2012. That day, the Seattle Mariners beat the Tampa Bay Rays, 1-0. But what made Zimmermann's no hitter so special, was an extraordinary catch in left field that gave it such a dramatic ending.

## Game 2 Hits a Sour Note

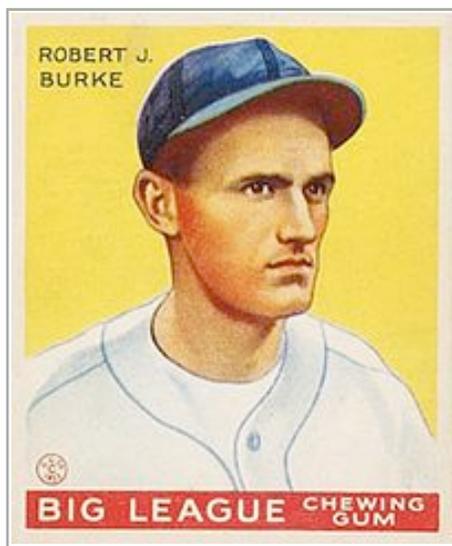
On another note, the Nationals' manager Matt Williams took Zimmermann out in the top of the ninth inning in Game 2 of the NLDS against the San Francisco Giants in order to bring in the strong right-hander, Drew Storen. Right after that, Storen blew the win for Washington, giving up a double with two men on. Luckily, only one run was scored due to an amazing play at the plate by Bryce Harper, Ian Desmond, and Wilson Ramos.

Then, in the tenth inning, Matt Williams and Asdrubal Cabrera got ejected for arguing with the umpire. But Jordan Zimmermann has had an amazing year with the team, who have been outstanding themselves. Let's hope for many more years like the streak the 2014 Washington Nationals have had!

**--Paloma Benach, 5C**



**Zimmermann's no-hitter crowned a year that the Nats had the most wins in the NL.**



## What Do Jordan Zimmermann and Bobby Burke Have in Common?

On August 8, 1931, while with the Senators, Burke pitched a no-hitter against the Boston Red Sox at Griffith Stadium. The score was 5-0. It was the last no-hitter by a Washington-area Major League Baseball team until Jordan Zimmermann pitched a no-hitter on September 28, 2014.

# SXT Ranks 'Old' QBs

by John Joire, 5G and Lee Orders, 5R



Tom Brady celebrating a touchdown.

We rated five older, experienced quarterbacks. They were Peyton Manning, Tom Brady, Carson Palmer, Drew Brees, and Michael Vick. Peyton Manning, age 38, plays on the Broncos. He has 12 touchdowns this season, and we rated him 10 in the accuracy section. He earned a 1 for his dismal scrambling, however. Tom Brady, age 37, plays on the Patriots. He has three Super Bowl wins and an 8 in accuracy. Carson Palmer, age 34, plays on the Cardinals. His record is 4-1 and his clutch is 6. Drew Brees, age 35, plays on the Saints. He has nine touchdowns this season and has one Super Bowl win. Michael Vick, age 34, plays on the Jets. He has a 10 on scrambling. He has no Super Bowl wins. He is a backup QB right now.



Drew Brees dives into the end zone.



Peyton Manning

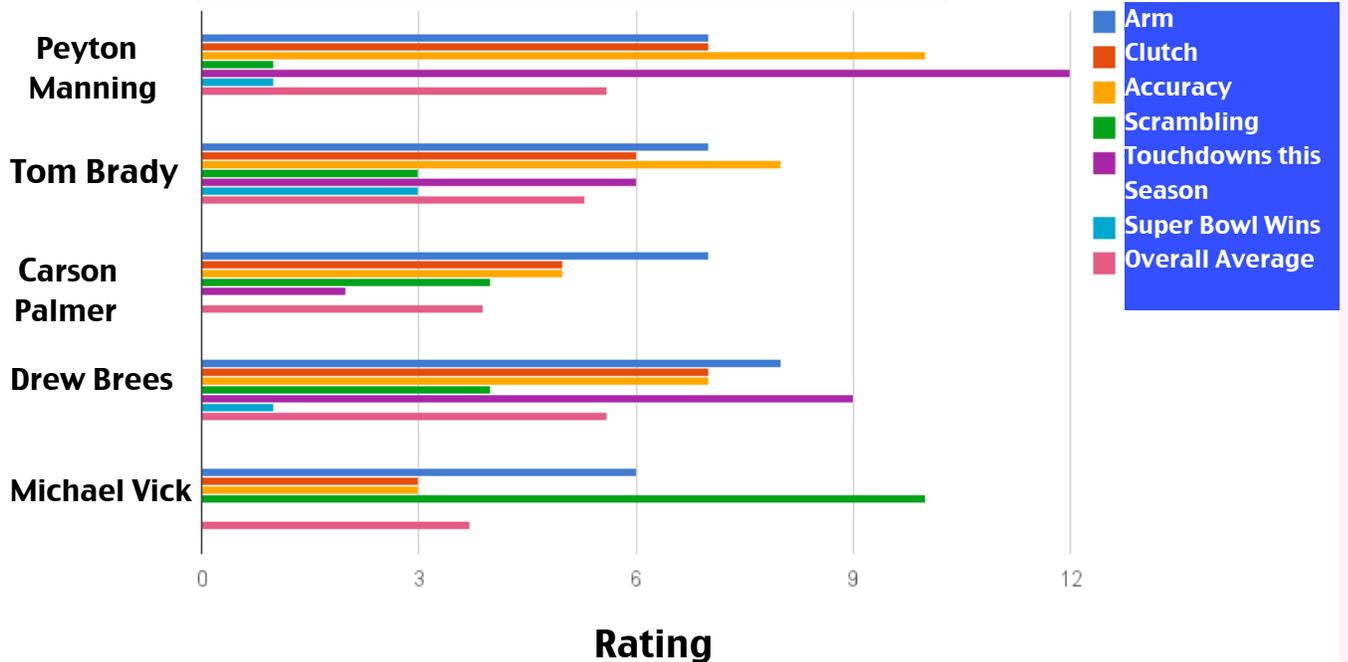


Carson Palmer



Michael Vick

## SXT's QB Rankings



# Cavaliers Are a Brand New Team

by Josh Solomon, 5C

Things are looking up in Cleveland. This season the Cavaliers have a pretty good year ahead of them. Lots of people think the Cavs will go far. The reason for all of this is their newly-assembled team. This season the Cavaliers got LeBron James, and Kevin Love. Plus they already had Kyrie Irving who has been pretty good the last few seasons. The positions for these three basketball stars are Kyrie Irving at point guard, LeBron James at small forward, and Kevin Love at power forward.



**Cav's Dream Team: Kyrie Irving, LeBron James and Kevin Love who by the way will not be wearing 42 but 0. See Story below.**

The Cavaliers are very happy to have LeBron James back on their team. LeBron James was a free agent in 2010 so he decided to leave Cleveland and go to the Miami Heat. That's when the Heat started to get on a roll. Two years after LeBron James got on the Heat they won two championships. In 2011-2012 they beat the Oklahoma City Thunder, and in 2012-2013, they beat the San Antonio Spurs.

Kevin Love is a very good power forward who comes to the team from the Minnesota Timberwolves. He was traded for Andrew Wiggins who is in his rookie year and came out of the college team, the Kansas Jayhawks. The other



**Cavaliers head coach David Blatt**

two players who are rounding out the starting five are Dion Waiters at shooting guard, and Anderson Varejao at center. The current coach David Blatt will hopefully be very confident in his team. The players should be confident too. The preseason has started and they are getting really excited!

## Kevin Love To Wear No. 0 with Cavaliers



For the first time in his basketball career, Kevin Love will **NOT** be wearing 42 as he did in high school, at UCLA, and in Minnesota as a Timberwolf. That's because the Cavaliers retired the number in 1977 in honor of Nate Thurmond. Some Cav fans didn't know this and got tattoos with Love in a Cav uniform wearing 42!



**Number 0 is still proud to be a Cav.**



**We're not sure why Kevin Love chose the number 0 to wear, but in tennis zero points is referred to as "Love." What do you think?**

# Rookies of the NFL

by Katie Kennedy, 5C and Harper Dunn, 5S

This year in the NFL, every team has many Rookies to be sent up to date on the switch from College Football to the big leagues. We're bringing to you the rookies who seem to know what they're doing. Sammy Watkins was the rookie wide receiver coming out of Clemson University hoping to be drafted. Drafted onto the Buffalo Bills in the first round is now turning Buffalo around. Can this rookie wide receiver make some magic happen for buffalo? Well, you've gotta watch to find out. Watkins went to Clemson University, but was also recruited by Florida, Florida State, and Miami. But he wanted to go to a college outside of Florida. In his freshman year, he led the nation in reception yards per game, all-purpose yards, and touchdowns. His exceptional college experience led him to be Buffalo's first round pick in the NFL Draft 2014.



**Watkins was Buffalo's first round draft pick in NFL Draft.**

onto the Carolina Panthers. So far this wide receiver is changing Carolina in a big way.



**22-year-old Jacksonville Jaguars QB was third overall pick in the 2014 NFL draft.**

Another awesome rookie is 22-year-old Blake Bortles, the QB for the Jacksonville Jaguars. As a high school senior, he completed 151 out of 233 passes, with 2,211 yards, 27 touchdowns, and 7 interceptions. He played QB for the University of Central Florida from midseason 2011 to 2013. He was the third overall draft pick in the 2014 NFL draft.



**Kelvin Benjamin, FSU, was drafted by the Carolina Panthers.**

These rookies are amazing football players, and hopefully they can help their teams out a bit!

## Ole Miss Did NOT Miss *by Jahari Miller, 5C and Michael Rosebar, 5S*



Sometimes when I play football I like to think I'm playing like the college boys. College football is played on fields across the country every weekend of the season. It's an amazing way that college boys can practice for a real NFL performance some day.

On one recent October weekend, an upset occurred and how sweet it was. After 11 years of losing to Alabama, Ole Miss did NOT miss. Yes, the Rebels FINALLY defeated #3 ranked Alabama, 23-17!

I wasn't really a fan of Old Miss before, but even in my mind I thought all those years of losing was really something sad. Now I think Ole Miss can be a really good team. Who knows?

They may be on their way to greatness. Maybe some Ole Miss college boy will be taking home that super-duper, awesome, grand Heisman trophy. Anything is possible.

# Stats and Playoff Projections for 2014-2015 Season



# NFL PREDICTIONS



by Akul Pappajohn, 5S

*As we went to press, these were the standings and the stats for the NFL after Week 5.*

The Philadelphia Eagles 4-1  
Dallas Cowboys 4-1  
San Diego Chargers 4-1  
Arizona Cardinals 3-1  
Cincinnati Bengals 3-1  
Denver Broncos 3-1  
Seattle Seahawks 3-1  
Indianapolis Colts 3-2  
Houston Texans 3-2  
Baltimore Ravens 3-2  
Detroit Lions 3-2  
New England Patriots 3-2  
Carolina Panthers 3-2  
Pittsburgh Steelers 3-2  
Green Bay Packers 3-2  
New York Giants 3-2  
San Francisco 49ERS 3-2  
Buffalo Bills 3-2  
Minnesota Vikings 2-3  
Chicago Bears 2-3  
Atlanta Falcons 3-2  
Cleveland Browns 2-2  
Miami Dolphins 2-2  
Tennessee Titans 1-4  
Tampa Bay Buccaneers 1-4  
New York Jets 1-4  
Washington Redskins 1-4  
St.Louis Rams 1-3  
Oakland Raiders 0-4  
Jacksonville Jaguars 0-5

**Cowboys Tony Romo** with 110-159 comp  
1260 yds 9 tds /  
**Demarco Murray** 130 car 670 yds 5 tds /  
**Dez Bryant** 32 rec 376 yds 4 tds.  
**Chargers Philip Rivers** 116 -165 1443 yds  
12 tds /  
**Oliver** 31 car 148 yds 1 td /  
**Eddie Royal** 20 rec 276 yds 4 tds.  
**Eagles Nick Foles** 120-203 1380 yds 8 tds /  
**Lesean McCoy** 94 car 273 yds 1 td /  
**Jeremy Maclin** 25 rec 429 yds 4 tds.  
**Seahawks Russell Wilson** 78-111 852 yds 8  
tds /  
**Marshawn Lynch** 69 car 306 yds 3 tds /  
**Doug Baldwin** 14 rec 155 yds 0 tds.  
**Broncos Peyton Manning** 105-158 1293 yds  
12 tds /  
**Montee Ball** 55 car 172 yds 1 td /  
**Emmanuel Sanders** 32 rec 435 yds 0 tds.  
**Drew Stanton** 43 -88 529 yds 2 tds /  
**Andre Ellington** 62 car 238 yds 1 td /  
**Michael Floyd** 12 rec 259 0 tds.  
**Bengals Andy Dalton** 70-108 926 yds 4  
tds /  
**Giovanni Bernard** 68 car 247 yds 3 tds /  
**A.J. Green** 17 rec 314 yds 2 tds.

*As you can see, there are the good, the bad, and the really stinky teams. I think the teams that are off to a fast start this year are going to make it all the way to the playoffs.*

*The Cowboys, Chargers, Eagles, Seahawks, Broncos, Cardinals and the Bengals all have good records, are playing well, and if they can avoid injuries, should be able to make it to the playoffs. These are the stats through week 5. What will future weeks bring?*

# EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE (SOCCER)

by Nikolaos Galanis, 5C

UEFA Champions League mostly known as Champions league is an annual tournament for soccer teams that become champions in their National Leagues. For example, Spain's champion of the period 2013-2014 is Real Madrid and Italy's Juventus. Also, the second and sometimes the third best team in a national league qualify. The first part of championship runs in groups. There are 8 groups of 4 teams and all play among each other within each group. Each time one team wins a match it gets 3 points. If it draws a match it gets 1 point and if it loses a match it gets a big fat 0.

Each team plays 3 matches. The 2 teams with the most points qualify. After the teams qualify, they play with the other qualified teams from the other groups. It becomes a deathmatch one team eliminates the other team until there are no other teams left. The team with no other opponents left is the champion of the year.



Above we see Mario Balotelli, Italy's Soccer champion:-)!  
(The player on the right.)



Above here we see one of the most loved soccer players of the whole world! The amazing, fabulous and awesome MESSI, LIONEL MESSI!

The Champions League 2014-15 will be held in Olympia Stadium Berlin. The Italian teams that have qualified are Juventus, Milan, Napoli, Lazio and Roma.



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