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Pending further appeal, the Knicks are staring down the Bulls while sitting in the eighth playoff spot. Had the shot counted. **JeffVan** Gundy's team would be look-



Van Gundy

grueling series with that same Miami Heat team. "I knew it was good," the jacketless Van Gundy said. "The ball went in with two-tenths of a second left."

The Knicks have petitioned the National Basketball Association for an appeal on the out-

come of the game. NBA Basketball. I love this

58-feet out, Swish II Last week, it was mentioned that New Jersey's Sam Cassell carried his team to the record and playoff spot they were enjoying.

Cassell was finally recognized by the NBA for his effort and received the NBA Player of the Week honors from the league.

In the last week, the Nets have gone 4-0, thanks to Sam's 30point, 11-assist average over the

Cassell shot .547 from the field and an astounding .943 from the line in the four New Jersey victories. He scored 35 points and 11 assists against Charlotte and also found himself occasionally guarding Glen Rice.

That's versatility. The Houston Rockets are probably kicking themselves because the point guard that they so desperately need around playoff time, and one they actually got rid of, is kicking it in another city.

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New York Knicks file NBA pro

NEW YORK (AP) — The outcome of Sunday's Knicks-Heat game remained in dispute Monday as NBA commissioner David Stern considered a protest filed by New York that could change the final score and the playoff race.

The Knicks formally protested their 82-81 loss by sending a videotape, a letter and a \$10,000 fee to the league office. The team narrowed its argument to claim that a technical malfunction — the early illumination of a red light behind the basket with one-tenth of a second left — could have caused referees to wave off Allan Houston's last-second basket.

Had the shot counted, as replays showed it should have, the Knicks would have had an 83-82 victory that

kept them in seventh place in the Eastern Conference They will remain in eight place, a half-game behind the New Jersey Nets, at least until Stern issues a ruling. None was forthcoming Monday, and the commission-

er could take as long as five days to decide.
"I think if they're interested in doing the right thing, we'll have another win," coach Jeff Van Gundy said. "We have a legitimate protest.

"What the league office always says is, 'It's about getting it right.' And if it truly is about getting it right, we'll win the protest and get another win.

The hardest thing for any official to do is admit they're wrong, but that's what should happen in this

If the outcome is changed, it wo in more than 15 years a protest was exas A&M

In 1982-83, the final three seconds of game were replayed after San Antoni that an incorrect call had been made olation when Lakers guard Norm Nixon

Referee Jack Madden called for a jun made a last-second shot and the gam San Antonio protested that since Nixon's hands, the players should ha tioned to await the foul shot.

Commissioner Larry O'Brien agr three seconds were replayed 4 1/2 m

the Spurs winning 117-114 in regulati This latest disputed finish in Miamib inbounded at midcourt with 4.4 seconds Mills took the pass and drove past Alonz missed a short runner. Charles Oakley Dan Majerle then slapped the ball in the ton, who hastily threw up one last atte

Replays showed the ball leaving with 0.2 seconds remaining, but refer waved the basket off. The outcomes

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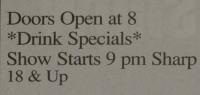


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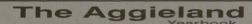
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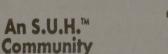


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