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INTRODUCTION

As the regular season draws to a close, the stakes couldn't be higher. Teams are making their final push, fighting to secure a spot in the playoffs or earn a direct ticket to the championship. This season has tested everyone—players adapting to new teammates, coaches stepping into fresh roles, and fans rallying behind their teams. Through it all, our community has embodied grace, athleticism, courage, and toughness—the very qualities that make YALD special.

Quote of the week

“No one ever drowned in sweat” Lou Holtz

HONORARY COIN TOSS

Recently, the YALD community experienced a profound loss with the passing of Jennifer Gane McGuire, beloved mother to Brandon, Brian, and Alex Cruz. Jennifer was a dedicated supporter of her sons and an integral part of our community, often cheering from the sidelines alongside our Commissioner, Ray Cruz. Her presence embodied the spirit of YALD—family, encouragement, and unwavering support.

In her honor, we invited the Cruz family to perform this week's honorary coin toss, a tribute to her memory and the love she brought to every game. We grieve alongside the Cruz family during this difficult time and stand ready to offer any assistance they may need.

Rest in peace, Jennifer. Your legacy of love and support will forever remain a part of YALD.



PACKERS VS. HOUSE OF PAIN

The Packers and House of Pain started things off for us this week. Although struggling, the Packers will not lay down for anyone. MVP front runner Elijah Corrales has excelled at the quarterback position and continued his stellar play. He went 15-34 and 3 touchdowns. Coming off a phenomenal game, Luke Banta added a touchdown grab while Johanssel Carvajal and Anthony Abinader added the other. The Packers made it interesting but in the end House of Pain took home the victory by a score of 22-20.

VIKINGS VS. WILL TITANS

Ultra dynamic playmakers were up next as the Vikings took on the Will Titans. Very quietly, Justin Mathews is putting together an extraordinary season. He had 4 receptions and a touchdown. On the defensive side, he had 7 flags. YALD veteran Alex Vargas also contributed with 4 receptions and 2 touchdown grabs. This game would go to double overtime where the Vikings would edge out the Will Titans by a score of 18-12.

PLAYERS OF THE GAME

Elijah Corrales

1-Deflection, 1-Interception, 7-Flags

15 for 34 passing, 2 Interceptions

3 Touchdowns

Alex Vargas

5-Deflections, 2-Interceptions, 2-Flags

4-Receptions, 2-Touchdowns





Season Finale and Upcoming Events

This Saturday marks the conclusion of our regular season, and the stakes couldn't be higher. This week's matchups are decisive games that will determine the fate of the teams: one will advance directly to the Championship, one will be eliminated, and the 2nd and 3rd place teams will face off in the playoffs. They'll battle for a chance to compete in the **2024 Championship Game**.

The big question remains: who will return to the Championship stage to lift the trophy, and who will stand on the sidelines watching their opponents celebrate?

Save the Dates:

- **Playoffs:** December 7th
- **Championship:** December 14th

Turkey Bowl Tradition

Since its inception in 2018, the **Annual Thanksgiving Bowl** has become a beloved tradition. Held on Thanksgiving Day, it's a time for past and current players to come together and compete in a thrilling tournament for the ultimate challenge: defeating the coaches, who currently hold a dominant 5-1 record.

Pictured above is Jeremiah McGarvey, a true pioneer of this league and a shining example of dedication and leadership.

Jeremiah first made his mark as a standout player, leaving an indelible legacy on the field. After stepping away to further his education, he returned to YALD upon graduating college, eager to give back to the program that shaped him. During his time as a player, he led the Giants to their first-ever championship, cementing his place in league history.

Now serving as our Head Referee, Jeremiah continues to exemplify the values of YALD through his unwavering support, commitment, and passion. We are immensely grateful for his service and the lasting impact he has made on this community.

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Thank you, Jeremiah!