

Starting Rotation

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The answer to this week's meta is someone who might be part of a starting rotation.

ACROSS

1. Pull strings?
6. Miner's yield
9. Company that merged with WWE earlier this week
12. ___ of Cawdor (title for Macbeth)
13. Word before fever or bale
14. ___ bargain
16. Settles a legal dispute
19. First name of a poet whose work appears prominently in "Dead Poets Society"
20. Take to court
21. "Just Like Paradise" band
22. Functional
24. Chief executive officer, often
27. "In what way?"
29. It's two keys to the right of "Delete" on many keyboards
33. Soon, poetically
35. Habeas corpus and certiorari, for two
36. HBO competitor
37. That's pretty slick!
38. AP competitor
40. Grind ___ halt
41. Sought not to be sought, perhaps
42. Some World Cup games are decided by them: Abbr.
43. Poet Ernst Moritz ___
45. "I ___ for the future" (line from "Ferris Bueller's Day Off")
47. Neighbor of a Chadian
49. Western defense grp.
50. Certain Pac-12 athlete
54. Last two words of a Hemingway title
57. Component of gender-affirming care, for short

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58. Capital of Pennsylvania?
 61. Word that represents "addition" in a common mnemonic
 62. One of several buildings at Smith College
 66. 8-Down affliction
 67. Bit of an "overnight" meal
 68. Dark
 69. Fashion designer France
 70. Result of a successful at bat
 71. Falls short (in comparison)
- ## DOWN
1. Grand Central and Union, for two: Abbr.
 2. Drive-___
 3. Broccoli ___
 4. Brit's college
 5. Movement founded by Tarana Burke
 6. Namesake of a Chicago airport
 7. Snitch
 8. Body part with rods and cones
 9. In the direction of the heavens
 10. Beer belly's composition
 11. Mitochondria's domain
 15. Feasted
 17. Spit like Cardi B, say
 18. Serenaded
 23. Playground fixture
 24. "A Tale of ___ Cities" (Dickens novel)
 25. Loan letters
 26. Bonnie who won Song of the Year for "Just Like That"
 27. Kato Shuson's "I kill an ant / and realize my three children / have been watching," for example
 28. Tripping, in a way
 30. Ice Cube's first name
 31. Rides
 32. Sign of approval
 34. Subtle difference
 35. ___ title (becomes a champion)
 37. Covert ___
 39. Undergraduate program for a future attorney
 44. Secretary of the Interior Haaland
 46. Long, long time
 48. Jane who wrote "Ode to Pity"
 51. Atkins who sang "That Ain't My Truck"
 52. Coffee container
 53. "___ to you!"
 54. Aides for profs.
 55. Jabba the ___
 56. She sang "Echoes in Rain"
 58. Survey
 59. Pennsylvania's "Flagship City"
 60. CPR pros.
 63. "How interesting!"
 64. ___ tai (cocktail)
 65. Double helix stuff, for short