

ACROSS

1 Veteran rock band that played Foxborough last night

5 Actor Sean, who played Samwise Gamgee (He also played Mikey Walsh in The Goonies [1985], younger brother to Brandon Walsh, played by Josh Brolin, who you may know as Thanos in Avengers: Infinity War [2018].)

10 \_\_\_\_\_ Want, Olivia Rodrigo's first big song, which you might recall from High School Musical: The Musical: The Series, season 1, episode 4

14 Filter out the weak

15 AI model released by Meta

16 German for "no"

17 Lone Star levies (sales, gas, cigarettes, but not income)

19 Ms. Sheridan, music teacher at West Somerville Neighborhood School

20 "I have one simple request, and that is to have sharks with frickin' laser beams attached to their heads!" or "[My father] would make outrageous claims like he invented the question mark," for example

22 Tufts Greek organization with sailboats in front of their house

25 June 6, 1944

26 AC/DC's record label; also an abbreviation for spurious emissions from computers and the like

27 Country still being invaded by Russia

32 Jaylen Brown, before his heroics earned him the name "The Gravedigger"

34 Real fancy piano, like in the basement of Granoff

36 Descartes, who said "I think, therefore [46-Down]"

37 The White House, for the last 100 days or so

41 Gin variety made with blackthorn fruits

44 Wooden structure that housed a young Abraham Lincoln

48 Most brief

52 Afternoon naps

53 Lovelace, who kinda invented computer programming before computers existed

54 Video game people obsessively port to low power hardware, like the Zune or Raspberry Pi Pico

56 Thurman, who starred in Kill Bill, one of the most violent films I have ever started watching

57 Scheme for tricking delicious candies from your friends with chronic bad breath

63 Where you cannot currently watch the Lakers or Clippers, because they have been eliminated from the NBA playoffs

64 Barbarian books by Robert E. Howard, but not those by Robert Jordan, or anyone else

68 Dance style practiced by BlackOut

69 Verdi aria title that translates to "It was you"

70 What the youth today might spend time selecting before going out

71 Throw away

72 Mock someone, even though you like them, at least kind of

73 She was one with the wind and sky, circa 2013

DOWN

1 Perform in a play

2 Stick for shooting pool

3 Skateshop in SF

4 Coated, as a frying pan

5 Keyboard shortcut to trigger the Edit menu on Windows

6 Nikola Jokic, Luka Doncic, or any of another 277 million people

7 SSN, often

8 Shoe enthusiast, wife of Ferdinand Marcos, kleptocrat of the Phillipines from 1972-1981

9 Stock market index down ~7% so far in 2025

10 Open source tool for checking that websites can be parsed by screen readers

11 "Now, go, my son. \_\_\_\_\_" first words spoken by Darth Vader after Luke removes Mr. Vader's helmet

12 Person who repairs high voltage electrical wires

13 Neatly queued

18 16th grader (abbr.)

21 Street Fighter protagonist

22 Country where Chris Rogers was born (abbr.)

23 Something you might buy on this so-called "Seatgeek.com" (abbr.)

24 Bauxite, for example

28 Fox News CEO who was forced to resign in 2016 after credible accusations of sexual harassment by over a dozen of his employees

29 File extension for Windows configuration files

30 Easy-E, Dr. Dre, Ice Cube, and some other dude, circa 1987

31 Collection of corn kernels that is called the same thing as one of the weird lumps on the sides of our heads

33 What Polonius hides behind before Hamlet stabs him, ("O, I am slain")

35 Initials of a certain French fashion designer

38 \_\_\_ Alamos, where the first atomic bomb was developed

39 What we'd have if GPTx became conscious

40 Kill someone, if you're a gangster in some boomer movie

41 Opponent of a libertarian

42 Prefaced

43 Fonts of wisdom

45 Approximately 1055.056 joules. Also the name of a company headquartered in Billerica, MA.

46 See 36-Across

47 Governmental code-breaking organization whose deputy director stopped by Nolop in 2022

49 Category of engineering software that contains Kicad and Altium

50 Short name for association football, but only in the US

51 Studio Ghibli character loved by my son

55 Wrestle\_\_\_\_ 23, a 2007 event during which Donald Trump shaved the head of Vince McMahon, whose wife (okay, they separated in 2024) is now Secretary of Education

58 Tools for cutting threads

59 Durable lap warmers, also useful as sentries

60 Threaded bit of metal that fits into 80/20 aluminum extrusion

61 Chip used in electronics

62 Store that sells drinks, sandwiches, maybe some muffins

65 Nothing

66 Periods for buzzer beaters

67 Damn, this is the same as 47-Down