



# Your Final Four with Madison mojo: Tammy, Michael, Noble and Bo



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You've already heard plenty about that other Final Four — the one that **includes the Badgers this weekend**. So what about when it comes to who has the most Madison mojo?

We **started with 64 names** in **Madison Mojo Madness** and now we're also down to four: Tammy Baldwin, Michael Johnson, Noble Wray and Bo Ryan.

If you haven't been following the contest so far, you can get up to speed from the **introduction** and the results from rounds **one**, **two** and **three**. In a nutshell, Cap Times readers are voting on who they think has the most clout in the capital city, with people going up against each other head-to-head, NCAA tournament-style.

The voting rounds last several days, and like the tournament, it will wrap up on Monday. **Voting in the Final Four** is now underway and will end on Friday. If you haven't voted before, there's no time like now to start. (Pro tip: You have to click on the link that says "Finals" on the "Play Game" portion of the site to vote in the current round.)

It's free. All you have to do is **register here**. Remember, too, that one registrant chosen at random will win a \$50 gift card.

No surprise, but all four finalists are very well-known in Madison (and sometimes far beyond it, too), almost all of them recognizable just by their first names.

Tammy Baldwin, of course, is Madison's own U.S. senator, not to mention the first Wisconsin woman to be elected to the Senate (and the House before it) and also the first openly gay person to be elected to both of those bodies and the Wisconsin Assembly before it.

That's quite a resume, and she sailed past her successor, U.S. Rep. Mark Pocan with 76 percent of the vote.

She'll be up against Michael Johnson, who hasn't been in Madison as long



as Baldwin, but he's impressed many not only through his work leading the Boys and Girls Club of Dane County, but also by taking a leading role **raising community awareness about homelessness** and by publishing "**Driven to Act**" in The Cap Times. That was a deeply personal essay about an awful racial hazing incident Johnson experienced as a college student in Minnesota, and how he worked through it.

To make it to the Final Four, Johnson topped NBC15 meteorologist Charlie Shortino with 60 percent of the vote.

Speaking of that homelessness project, one of Johnson's partners, Tim Metcalfe of Metcalfe's Market and Brat Fest fame, almost made it to the Final Four as well. Grossly underseeded at No. 16 in the Bigwigs bracket, Metcalfe (or **#cinderellabratman** as he dubbed himself on Twitter) made it past Epic CEO Judy Faulkner, CUNA Mutual Group CEO Robert Trunzo and UW System President Ray Cross before losing to Noble Wray, who had 53 percent of the vote.

Wray, of course, was Madison Police chief from 2004 to 2013 and hasn't slowed down in retirement. He's **taken the reins** temporarily for the Urban League of Greater Madison and will also be working with **Rev. Alex Gee's "Justified Anger" movement** to make headway against the racial disparities that make it so much harder to be African-American in Dane County.

Wray will have his work cut out for him in the semifinals, though, going up against Bo Ryan. The UW men's basketball coach has been in the news a bit lately, with his team **going to the other Final Four** for the first time since 2000, sparking a **spontaneous State Street celebration** with thousands of people in attendance and stuff like that. Ryan ran all over UW athletic director Barry Alvarez with 72 percent of the vote on his way to this



Tammy Baldwin and Michael Johnson





Noble Wray and Bo Ryan

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## Elite Eight Results

### Politics

- 1. Tammy Baldwin 76%
- 3. Mark Pocan 24%

### Celebrities

- 1. Charlie Shortino 40%
- 6. Michael Johnson 60%

### Bigwigs

- 16. Tim Metcalfe 47%
- 14. Noble Wray 53%

### Sports

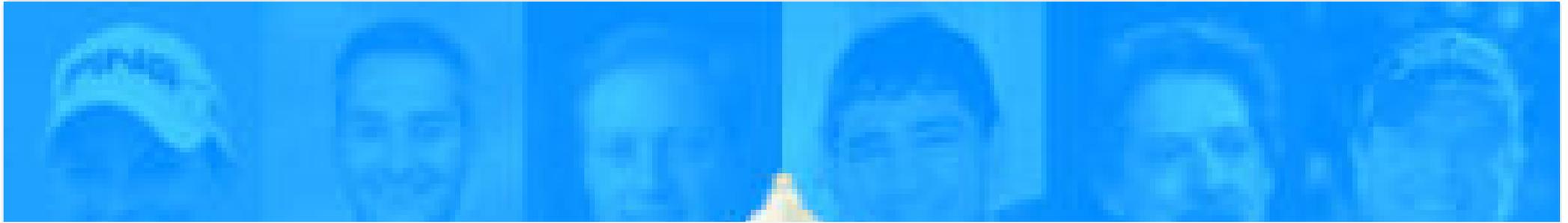
- 1. Barry Alvarez 28%
- 2. Bo Ryan 72%

## Final Four Matchups

- 1. Tammy Baldwin  
vs.  
6. Michael Johnson

- 14. Noble Wray  
vs.  
2. Bo Ryan

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