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## Trump pumps up troops in Yokota visit

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YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — President Donald Trump lauded U.S. and Japanese troops gathered Sunday at a U.S. air base in western Tokyo for the confidence they provide America's allies and the fear they strike into the hearts of their enemies.

Japan is "a treasured partner and crucial ally," Trump said in the kickoff to his two-week, five-nation tour of Asia and his first presidential visit to the country.

"Our alliance is a testament to the transformative power of freedom," he said, after servicemembers cheering "USA! USA!" welcomed him and first lady Melania Trump onto a stage inside a Yokota hangar. "Today, nations that once waged war now stand together as partners in pursuit of a much better world."

Trump, who swapped his suitcoat for a leather flight jacket gifted by 374th Air-lift Wing commander Col. Kenneth Moss, spoke in front of a massive American flag and was flanked by a pair of U.S. fighter jets — an F-16 from Misawa Air Base on his right and the world's most advanced stealth fighter, an F-35B Lightning II from Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, on his left. One of Yokota's new C-130J Super

Hercules cargo planes sat bathed in sunlight just outside the hangar's open doors.

America's enemies should know that the U.S. "will never yield, never waver and never falter in the defense of our people," he said, adding that U.S. troops are prepared to defend their nation "using the full range of our unmatched capabilities."

His speech didn't specifically call out North Korea, which has test-fired dozens of missiles in recent months and conducted its sixth and most powerful underground nuclear test on Sept. 3; however, it did mention "tyrants and dictators who seek to prey on the innocent."

Trump told the troops that they are "the greatest hope for people who desire to live in freedom and harmony ... because of patriots like you, freedom will prevail."

Before touching down in Japan, Trump denounced the North as "a big problem" that must "be solved."

"There's been 25 years of total weakness, so we are taking a very much different approach" toward Pyongyang, he told reporters traveling with him.

During his Yokota speech, Trump bragged about a surging stock market and falling unemployment at home and the successful campaign against Islamic State militants overseas. He then promised the

servicemembers that plenty of top-notch military gear is headed their way.

"A lot of beautiful equipment is coming and nobody makes it like they do in the United States," he said, adding: "We dominate the sky, we dominate the sea, we dominate the land and space, not only because we have the best equipment ... more importantly, we have the best people."

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Tanner Spani, 34, of Panama City Beach, Fla., said he agreed with the president's view of his fellow servicemembers.

"We have the best people who serve in the U.S. team," the radar airfield weather systems technician said. "That's what makes us proud and keeps us going."

Marine Cpl. Alec Hochberg, 21, of Palm Harbor, Fla., who was visiting Yokota during a break in a deployment to Okinawa, said Sunday's troop talk marked the first time he'd seen a president in the flesh.

"Not a lot of us get to see him," he added.

Air Force Capt. Lauren Angelo, 29, a public health officer at Yokota, said she and her comrades loved that their commander in chief took time to visit them.

"You could feel the energy in the room," she said.

## DOD: Securing N. Korean nuke sites would need invasion

*The Washington Post*

The only way to locate and secure all of North Korea's nuclear weapons sites "with complete certainty" is through an invasion of U.S. ground forces, and in the event of conflict, Pyongyang could use biological and chemical weapons, the Pentagon told lawmakers in a new, blunt assessment of what war on the Korean Peninsula might look like.

The Pentagon, in a letter to lawmakers, said that a full discussion of U.S. capabilities to "counter North Korea's ability to respond with a nuclear weapon and to eliminate North Korea's nuclear weapons located in deeply buried, underground facilities" is best suited for a classified briefing.

The letter also said that Pentagon lead-

ers "assess that North Korea may consider the use of biological weapons" and that the country "has a long-standing chemical weapons program with the capability to produce nerve, blister, blood and choking agents."

The Pentagon repeated that a detailed discussion of how the U.S. would respond to the threat could not be discussed in public.

The letter was written by Rear Adm. Michael Dumont, the vice director of the Pentagon's Joint Staff, in response to a request for information from two House members about "expected casualty assessments in a conflict with North Korea," including for civilians and U.S. and allied forces in South Korea, Japan and Guam.

"A decision to attack or invade another country will have ramifications for our

troops and taxpayers, as well as the region, for decades," Ted Lieu, D-Calif., and Ruben Gallego, D-Ariz., wrote to the Pentagon. "We have not heard detailed analysis of expected U.S. or allied force casualties, expected civilian casualties, what plans exist for the aftermath of a strike — including continuity of the South Korean Government."

The Pentagon said that calculating "best- or worst-case casualty scenarios" was challenging and would depend on the "nature, intensity and duration" of a North Korean attack; how much warning civilians would have to get to the thousands of shelters in South Korea; and the ability of U.S. and South Korean forces to respond to North Korean artillery, rockets and ballistic missiles with their own retaliatory barrage and airstrikes.

# Navy review: Can-do ethos weakens readiness

BY WYATT OLSON

*Stars and Stripes*

FORT SHAFTER, Hawaii — A couple of decades into his 30-year Navy career, John Cordle took command of the destroyer USS Oscar Austin in 2001.

Looking back, Cordle confesses that he felt a need to prove something to his superiors.

"This is the job I've been training for," he recalled his mindset being at the time. "There's six others in the squadron, and I want to be the one who finds a way to 'yes.'"

"I look back at that now and wonder, was that me being a good steward or was that me trying to make myself look good?"

In the wake of several high-profile ship disasters this year, a Navy comprehensive review released Thursday takes aim at the consequences of a widespread culture of "getting to yes," a go-go approach that has left many of the fleet's forward-deployed ships inadequately maintained and crews overworked, undermanned and short on training.

The review comes months after 17 sailors were killed in two collisions involving Navy destroyers in the Pacific. In June, the USS Fitzgerald ran into a commercial vessel off Japan, and in August the USS John S. McCain crashed into an oil tanker east of Singapore. Both vessels are part of the 7th Fleet's forward-deployed ships homeported at Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan.

## Can-do culture

The review makes clear that the never-say-no ethos has been a factor in undermining the Navy's readiness — particularly the Japan-based fleet — where too few officers with authority in the chain of command have drawn a red line over safety and training concerns.

But the Navy also faces other entrenched mores as it attempts to institute a system of "near-misses" reporting for Pacific Fleet ships and continues to grapple with a fleet-wide problem of commanders being removed for personal misconduct.

"We have a can-do culture," said Adm. John Richardson, chief of Naval Operations, during a Sept. 19 Senate hearing about the collisions. "That's what we do. Nobody wants to raise his hand and say, 'I can't do the mission.' But it's absolutely essential that when those are the facts we enable that report."

Richardson described the pervasive culture of deploying without proper training and certification in the 7th Fleet as "kind of this boiling frog scenario over time," meaning that problems of a lukewarm level slowly built up into a deadly boil before being fully perceived.

But the Navy has long been aware of this particular ethos hamstringing its surface fleet.

A scathing 2010 internal Navy report on the surface fleet's readiness urged officials to counter the "underway at all costs" mentality.

The so-called Balisle Report noted that the Navy's decadelong policy of seeking greater efficiency — primarily through rejiggering maintenance and manning schemes — had "served to steadily reinforce the notion that less readiness is acceptable."

## Changing attitudes

One way forward would be to begin rewarding officers for prudent decisions in putting the brakes on deployments of ill-prepared surface ships, said Bryan Clark, a senior fellow with the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments in Washington and a former strategic planner for the Navy.

"Right now what happens is decisions on whether to say no to a particular deployment generally rise all the way to the level of the chief of naval operations," Clark said.

"Because people don't want to go and tell CNO, 'Hey, I can't do this,' below that level the can-do attitude sort of persists," he said.

Such decisions should perhaps be pushed down to the fleet forces command level where an officer has enough seniority to be able to stand up and say no but is still close enough to a readiness problem to directly understand it, he said.

Today's admirals are generally removed from the realities of ship conditions as compared with previous generations, said Capt. Michael Junge, a military professor at the U.S. Naval War College.

"Once upon a time, flag officers, even fleet commanders and CNOs, spent time underway traveling from place to place," he said. Now they spend more time, especially at the three- and four-star level, in private jets and talking to large groups from a dais, he said.

"Too many of them think the Navy is what they experienced as they moved up the ranks," he said.

Some observers think the Navy faces an uphill battle in changing attitudes around the reporting of near-misses with ships and other close calls, such as groundings.

"I think every surface officer has a collection of close calls where it very easily could have been them on the Fitzgerald or the McCain getting T-boned by a big merchant ship," said Steven Stashwick, a lieutenant commander in the Navy Reserve who spent a decade as a surface warfare officer before leaving active duty in 2015.

"Everyone has those stories, but they aren't discussed," he said. "That can contribute to an artificial sense of what the fleet's overall

proficiency really is because you don't know about the near-misses."

It remains to be seen, however, "how eager captains are really going to be to self-report a bunch of near-misses," he said. "Because it's something their boss is going to hear, and inevitably that sort of thing is going to have an impact on their professional evaluation. That's the piece I'm not quite sure how you'll overcome."

## Ethical standards

The Navy has also struggled for years to curb an epidemic of misconduct by ship commanders.

In a 2012 analysis in the Naval War College Review, Capt. Mark Light described the "worrisome" number of dismissals of commanding officers over the previous decade — 42 from 2002 through 2010 — due to personal misconduct such as sexual harassment, drunkenness and fraternization.

"The excessive (and increasing) number of COs fired for personal misconduct is symptomatic of cultural issues within the Navy and of a confusing ethical context in society, combined with a failure to set effectively and uphold an ethical standard within the service," wrote Light, then a faculty member at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa.

The Navy has since then taken steps to head off such misconduct.

A 2015 follow-up analysis in the same publication tallied 27 commanding officers fired for personal misconduct from 2011 to 2013.

The "Fat Leonard" scandal, however, has eclipsed the problem of skipper misconduct in the past four years, with eight Navy officers — including a rear admiral — indicted in March, four admirals disciplined by the Navy and others still under investigation.

The officers all took part in a scheme by "Fat" Leonard Glenn Francis, a Malaysian who provided money, luxury items and prostitutes to Navy personnel in return for classified information about movement of ships and submarines in Southeast Asia, which he used to defraud the U.S. government.

"There's no way you could have as much churn as Fat Leonard caused in the last few years in 7th Fleet and have it not impact what's been going on. You just can't separate it," Junge said.

Clark isn't convinced of that because most of those caught up in the scandal are logistics and staff personnel or very senior officers who aren't the likely pool from which the next generation of executive and commanding officers would be drawn.

"I don't think it had a big enough impact to have contributed significantly to readiness problems in the Pacific Fleet," Clark said.



# Security heavy for NYC Marathon

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Under the watchful eye of an extremely heavy police presence, crowds of spectators turned out Sunday to cheer on the runners taking part in the New York City Marathon just days after a truck attack killed eight people in lower Manhattan.

In Brooklyn, where runners made their way down a long stretch, roads were blocked and officers lined the street. As runners went by, they were accompanied by an escort of police vehicles.

That didn't deter spectators, though. Throngs lined the sides of the street, frantically waving cowbells and cheering as the marathoners came by.

Karen Hester, 42, said she was "not in the slightest" bit

concerned about being in a crowded space or the threat of a terrorist attack. The New Zealand native, who has lived in New York City for 10 years, watches the race every year, and this year wasn't going to be any different.

"There's even more people this year," Hester said. "I don't think anyone is touched by any fear."

The marathon uses the layout of the city for its 26.2-mile course, which makes its way through residential neighborhoods before ending in Manhattan.

"I think once the race started, everyone has forgotten it," said Bart Ruijpers, 41, who was volunteering at a water station for runners along the route. "We are in the moment of the marathon."

A two-time participant, he said those taking part would have their minds on their races. "You prepare for this for months and months," he said. "You are surrounded by all the energy of the crowd for 26 miles."

The New York Police Department put together a security detail that included hundreds of extra uniformed patrol and plainclothes officers. There were also roving teams of counterterrorism commandos armed with heavy weapons, bomb-sniffing dogs and rooftop snipers.

The department was also using a tactic that's been seen at parades and other events — sanitation trucks filled with sand, positioned at key intersections to keep people from being able to drive onto the course.

# A new destroyer christened

BY ERIK SLAVIN

*Stars and Stripes*

The first ship to bear the name of a master chief petty officer of the Navy was christened at the Huntington Ingalls shipyard in Pascagoula, Miss., on Saturday.

The USS Delbert D. Black will be the 69th Arleigh Burke-class destroyer to join the fleet, according to a Navy statement.

Ima Black, Delbert Black's widow and a World War II Navy veteran, serves as the ship's sponsor.

Delbert Black's first assignment came in 1941 aboard the USS Maryland at Pearl Harbor, where he witnessed the Japanese attack that drew the U.S. into WWII. In 1967, he became the first master chief petty officer of the Navy, making him the service's top adviser on matters related to enlisted sailors and their families.

The 9,500-ton warship is capable of speed in excess of 35 mph, according to the Navy. It was built under the Flight IIA design, which began production in 1994, to include a helicopter hangar and other features to aid combat closer to shore.

Earlier this year, Huntington Ingalls won a contract to build the first Flight III Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, which is expected to incorporate better radar and missile-tracking capabilities. Bath Iron Works in Maine was awarded a contract to build the second Flight III destroyer in September.

The Navy must add 23 cruisers and destroyers to its 30-year shipbuilding plan to build and maintain the 355-ship fleet model advocated by the Trump administration, according to Congressional Research Service estimates. Previous plans called for 308 ships.

The Navy has requested \$3.5 billion this year to buy two destroyers. Some lawmakers have advocated purchasing up to four destroyers this year to save on initial costs, according to a Congressional Research Service report in October.

# Hackers hijacked at least 195 Trump web addresses

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Four years ago, well before the furor over allegations Moscow meddled in the 2016 election that put Donald Trump into the White House, at least 195 web addresses belonging to Trump, his family or his business empire were hijacked by hackers possibly operating out of Russia, The Associated Press has learned.

The Trump Organization denied the domain names were compromised. But a review of internet records by the AP and cybersecurity experts shows otherwise. It was not until last week, after the Trump camp was asked about it by the AP, that the last of the addresses was repaired.

After the hack, computer users who visited the Trump-related addresses were unwittingly redirected to servers in St. Petersburg, Russia, that cybersecurity experts said contained malicious software commonly used to steal passwords or to hold files for ransom. Whether anyone fell victim to such tactics is unclear.

A further mystery is who the hackers were and why they did it.

The discovery represents a new twist in the Russian hacking story, which up to now has focused mostly on what U.S. intelligence officials say was a campaign by the Kremlin to try to undermine Democrat Hillary Clinton's candidacy and benefit Trump's.

It is not known whether the hackers who tam-

pered with the Trump addresses are the same ones who stole Democratic officials' emails and embarrassed the party in the heat of the campaign last year. Nor is it clear whether the hackers were acting on behalf of the Russian government.

The affected addresses, or domain names, included donaldtrump.org, donaldtrumpexecutiveoffice.com, donaldtrumprealty.com and barrontrump.com. They were compromised in two waves of attacks in August and September 2013, according to the review of internet records.

The attacks took place as Trump was preparing to travel to Moscow for the Miss Universe pageant, which was held Nov. 9, 2013, at a property owned by a wealthy Russian real estate developer.

Many of the addresses were not being used by Trump. Businesses and public figures commonly buy addresses for possible future use or to prevent them from falling into the hands of rivals or enemies. The Trump Organization and its affiliates own at least 3,300 in all.

According to security experts, the hackers hijacked the addresses by penetrating and altering the domain registration records housed at GoDaddy.com, a seller of web addresses.

Accounts at GoDaddy, like at any site that requires a user name and password, are often subject to malicious messages known as phishing attacks, which are designed to trick people to reveal that personal information to hackers.

## Local districts crucial to election security

Associated Press

CONYERS, Ga. — Last November, election officials in a small Rhode Island town were immediately suspicious when results showed 99 percent of voters had turned down a non-controversial measure about septic systems.

It turned out that an oval on the electronic ballot was misaligned ever so slightly and had thrown off the tally. The measure actually had passed by a comfortable margin.

The scary part: The outcome might never have raised suspicion had the results not been so lopsided.

Amid evidence that Russian hackers might have tried to meddle with last year's presidential election, the incident illustrates a central concern among voting experts — the huge security challenge posed by the nation's 10,000 voting jurisdictions.

While the decentralized nature of U.S. elections is a buffer against large-scale interstate manipulation on a level that could sway a presidential race, it also presents a multitude of opportunities for someone bent on mischief.

Last year, the Homeland Security Department disclosed that 21 states' election systems had been targeted by Russian

hackers. There was no evidence they actually penetrated the systems. Experts likened the activity to a burglar jiggling a doorknob to see if it is locked.

In the U.S., elections are run to a very large degree by local governments, usually counties. County election offices across the nation oversee some 109,000 polling places and more than 694,000 poll workers, and rely on a patchwork of voting technology, such as optical scanners and touchscreens.

Georgia, one of five states where voting machines produce no paper trails, is testing out new ones during municipal elections in Conyers, an Atlanta suburb. A voter enters choices electronically and then is given a paper copy. If the paper looks correct, they feed it into a machine that counts their vote.

"This is a wonderful step forward," said James Cabe, 37, a college instructor from Conyers. "I like looking at a piece of paper and verifying that it's the vote I cast."

Georgia officials have estimated it could cost over \$100 million to adopt the machines statewide.

In January, Homeland Security designated the nation's election systems "critical infrastructure," on par with the electrical grid and water supply.

## Hackers pried into Clinton camp in week

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nineteen thousand lines of raw data associated with the theft of emails from Hillary Clinton campaign staffers show how the hackers managed the election-shaking operation.

Minute-by-minute logs gathered by the cybersecurity company Secureworks and recently shared with The Associated Press suggest it took the hackers just over a week of work to zero in on and penetrate the personal Gmail account of campaign chairman John Podesta.

One outside expert who reviewed the data said it showed how even the well-defended Clinton campaign fell prey to phishing, a basic cyberespionage technique that uses bogus emails to harvest passwords.

"They were the most security-aware campaign that I'm aware of," said Markus Jakobsson, the chief scientist at email security company Agari. "And yet this happened."

Hillaryclinton.com emails were locked down using two-factor authentication, a technique that uses a second passcode to keep accounts secure.

Other measures included

the automatic deletion of most messages after 30 days and phishing drills for staff. Security awareness even followed the campaigners into the bathroom, where someone put a picture of a toothbrush under the words: "You shouldn't share your passwords either."

But hackers who began their break-in attempts on March 10, 2016, with random emails to obsolete hillaryclinton.com addresses quickly learned their way around the campaign's address book, first targeting senior staffers at work before switching to their Gmail inboxes, some of which had not been protected with two-factor authentication.

On March 19 the hackers appear to have broken into Podesta's personal inbox, setting the stage for weeks of embarrassing disclosures.

Overall, the AP documented well over 400 attempts to break into Clinton staffers and Democratic operatives between March and May of 2016 — an illustration of what Jakobsson said was a key principle behind most phishing attempts.

"If you try enough, sooner or later you'll be lucky," he said.

## Ex-DNC head considered replacing Clinton with Biden

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The former head of the Democratic National Committee said she considered initiating an effort to replace Hillary Clinton as the party's presidential nominee with then-Vice President Joe Biden.

Donna Brazile makes the revelation in a memoir being released Tuesday, according to The Washington Post, which obtained an advance copy of "Hacks: The Inside Story of

the Break-ins and Breakdowns that Put Donald Trump in the White House."

Brazile writes that she considered initiating Clinton's removal after she collapsed while leaving a 9/11 memorial service in New York City. Clinton later acknowledged she was suffering from pneumonia.

Brazile said the larger issue was that her campaign was "anemic" and had taken on "the odor of failure."

After considering a dozen combinations to replace Clin-

ton and her running mate, Sen. Tim Kaine from Virginia, Brazile writes that she settled on Biden and Sen. Cory Booker, of New Jersey, as those with the best chance of defeating Trump.

Ultimately, the former DNC head said, "I thought of Hillary, and all the women in the country who were so proud of and excited about her. I could not do this to them."

It was unclear whether Biden was willing to step into the race or even whether he discussed

the idea with Brazile. A spokesman for the former vice president didn't respond to a request for comment Saturday.

Brazile writes that the day after Clinton collapsed, Biden's chief of staff called saying the vice president wanted to speak with her and that her thought at the time was, "Gee, I wonder what he wanted to talk to me about?" The Post report gave no further details and it was unclear whether the book elaborates on this.



# AMERICAN ROUNDUP

## Police tweet photo to deter underage partiers

**PA** UPPER DARBY — Police in Pennsylvania tweeted a photo of a Halloween beer can costume to make underage revelers think officers would be staked out in disguises at parties.

Upper Darby police sent out a series of tweets Tuesday after they found out about underage parties planned for the holiday.

"We will be dressed up and ready to go," the department tweeted, accompanied by a picture of uniformed officers standing at attention.

WTXF-TV reported officers checked in on addresses where parties were expected, but found nothing.

## State's first lady gets ticket in crackdown

**NJ** BERNARDSVILLE — New Jersey's first lady got ticketed in a statewide distracted-driving crackdown that was ordered by her husband's attorney general.

NJ Advance Media reported Mary Pat Christie was stopped while driving with a cellphone in her hand on April 10 in Bernardsville by a police officer assigned to the grant-funded program that targeted texting and other distracted driving.

She didn't identify herself as Republican Gov. Chris Christie's wife. But she did tell the officer she wasn't making a call.

The first lady pleaded guilty to driving with a cellphone and paid the \$250 fine.

## Girl shot with BB gun while trick-or-treating

**WV** CHARLESTON — Authorities said a 9-year-old trick-or-treater was shot with a BB gun outside

a West Virginia elementary school on Halloween.

Charleston Police chief of detectives Lt. Tony Hazelett told The Charleston Gazette-Mail that the girl was walking with an adult and two other children as shots came from a nearby car Tuesday night. The shooting happened just outside Piedmont Elementary School, and authorities said four men fled the area in a white sedan.

The girl suffered two wounds under her arm and was treated at a hospital.

## Thief steals cash meant for needy kids' gifts

**PA** BELLEVERNON — A thief broke into a small Pennsylvania fire station's vending machine to grab cash that the fire company collects to buy Christmas presents for needy children.

KDKA-TV reported the theft, which was caught on video, took place early Thursday morning at the Belle Vernon Volunteer Fire Station. One of the department's surveillance cameras shows the thief using what appears to be a crowbar to pry open the machine outside the building.

## Woman battling cancer weds fiancé at hospital

**SC** CHARLESTON — A South Carolina woman diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer wasn't able to leave the hospital for her dream wedding. So the wedding came to her.

Local media outlets reported Kizzie Priestly married her fiancé on Thursday at Trident Medical Center near Charleston.

Priestly and David Hall were originally slated to marry several days earlier and to take off for a honeymoon to Disney World. But doctors said worsen-

ing cancer in the bride's lungs, breasts and brain meant she needed to be hospitalized, so staff at Trident came together to celebrate their nuptials.

## Purrfect: State's first cat cafe opens doors

**NC** GREENSBORO — North Carolina cat lovers now have a place to wet their whiskers at the state's first cat cafe.

Local media outlets reported Crooked Tail Cat Cafe opened Friday in downtown Greensboro.

Owner Karen Stratman describes Crooked Tail as a place where cats and humans can enjoy each other. For \$10, visitors can spend an hour in the Kitty Lounge, where nine cats play among sofas, tables and cat perches.

There's also a separate, cat-free coffee bar at the rear of the lounge. All of the cats at Crooked Tail are available for adoption.

## Official: Town leader tried to bury business

**NY** SHERIDAN — Authorities said a western New York town official was cited for trying to bury his defunct auto repair garage in a hole.

WIVB-TV reported that Louis Delmonte's business on Route 20 in Sheridan had been in run-down condition for years. He borrowed a friend's excavator and dug a large hole next to the building.

The state Department of Environmental Conservation said Delmonte tore down half of the building and dumped debris into the hole before the agency received a complaint about the work.

Delmonte was told he was illegally disposing of the building because the asbestos abatement

required for all commercial demolitions wasn't completed.

## 'Moscow Mueller' drinks offered for indictments

**DC** WASHINGTON — A Washington restaurant is offering a special \$5 "Moscow Mueller" drink every time special counsel Robert Mueller indicts an associate of President Donald Trump.

The Bird DC promoted the offer on Twitter on Wednesday and added the hashtag "#muellertime."

The drink's name is a play on the popular Moscow Mule, a beverage made with vodka, ginger beer and lime juice. Mueller is investigating potential links between Russia and Trump's presidential campaign.

## Police: Unattended toddler caused fire

**FL** PANAMA CITY — Police said a Florida mother was miles away from her home when her 3-year-old child started an apartment fire while using a microwave.

The News Herald reported that management at a Panama City apartment complex saw a trail of smoke coming from a unit Tuesday. Inside, they found two children, ages 1 and 3, unattended.

A police report says the 3-year-old overcooked some food in the microwave, causing the small fire, which filled the apartment with smoke.

Neither child was injured.

Police found their mother, Dionzia Johnson, some 3 miles away. She's been charged with two felony counts of child neglect. Johnson said her car had broken down and she couldn't get back to her children.

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# Big Ten takes hit; OU rules Bedlam

Associated Press

**T**he Big Ten cracked up, broken by Kirk Ferentz and Mark Dantonio. Clemson kept doing what Clemson does. And Bedlam was exactly what was expected in the Big 12.

A Saturday of college football highlighted by seven games matching ranked teams was every bit as chaotic and fun as it was billed, even if #Pac12AfterDark ate up your extra hour of sleep the day the clocks fell back.

Thoughts, takedowns and takeaways from Week 10 of the college football season, when Wisconsin became the Big Ten's best hope to make the College Football Playoff.

Big Ten teams with national title hopes should know to be wary of Kinnick Stadium in November.

The Buckeyes weren't — and their play-

off aspirations are likely cooked because of it.

Nate Stanley threw for 226 yards and five touchdowns, and Iowa throttled third-ranked Ohio State 55-24 on Saturday, dealing what's likely to be a fatal blow to the Buckeyes' hopes of reaching college football's Final Four.

Josh Jackson added three interceptions for the Hawkeyes (6-3, 3-3), who beat their fourth top-5 opponent in their last five tries at home. Iowa also knocked off unbeaten teams Michigan (2016) and Penn State (2008) in the regular season's final month.

"I didn't see any signs. Usually I see signs and if I do I address them," Meyer said when asked if his team suffered a letdown after coming off an emotional 39-38 comeback win over Penn State last week.

Oklahoma and Oklahoma State have faced off 112 times. Never had they played

a game quite like this.

The teams combined for 114 points and more than 1,400 yards as Heisman Trophy hopefuls Baker Mayfield and Mason Rudolph seemingly traded touchdowns at will.

Bedlam sure lived up to its name.

Mayfield passed for a school-record 598 yards and No. 8 Oklahoma outlasted No. 11 Oklahoma State 62-52 in the highest-scoring game in the history of the rivalry. Mayfield threw five touchdown passes and ran for another score.

"He was awesome, played at an elite level," Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley said. "He's been through enough of these. He doesn't blink, he doesn't flinch. He's made for atmospheres like this. It's his favorite thing in the world."

## QB Bradshaw, Army shut down Air Force

Associated Press

**AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo.** — Army stumped Air Force's offense like few have before. Give the Black Knights a trophy for the effort — or the shot at one anyway.

Quarterback Ahmad Bradshaw rushed for a career-high 265 yards and Army ended Air Force's 306-game scoring streak with a 21-0 victory on Saturday.

Air Force had the fifth-longest scoring streak in FBS history before Army's swarming defense ended it. The last time the Falcons were held scoreless was by Mississippi in the 1992 Liberty Bowl. It was the first time the Falcons were shut out at home since Nov. 1, 1980, against Boston College.

"That was our mentality going in — just stuffing them on 'O,'" Army senior defensive lineman John Voigt said.

In addition, the Black Knights (7-2) took a big first step in their quest to capture the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy for the first time since 1996. The winner of the Army-Navy game on Dec. 9 will take home the honor in the annual round-robin competition between service academies. Air Force was beaten by

Navy earlier this season.

"It's just nice to know that we're going to have a chance to play for the trophy in December," Army coach Jeff Monken said.

Army kept Air Force (4-5) off the board midway through the fourth quarter when the defense stopped the Falcons on downs deep in Army territory. After the offense went on a time-consuming scoring drive, the defense finished off the shutout by forcing an Air Force punt in the waning seconds. The Falcons missed a 47-yard field goal in the first quarter.

"You could tell they wanted it more — from the first snap," Air Force quarterback Arion Worthman said. "Army really wanted this win today. ... We got our [rears] kicked today. They brought it to us."

Kell Walker scored twice for the Black Knights, who earned their first victory at Falcon Stadium since 2005.

Bradshaw got sick near the sideline in the first quarter and sat out a play. He made Air Force sick the rest of the afternoon, scoring on a 21-yard run to help Army win its fifth straight game. He didn't attempt a pass all afternoon in

the windy conditions.

"My stomach was kind of bothering me through warmups," said Bradshaw, whose previous best rushing performance was 177 yards against Fordham earlier this season. "I thought it would go, but it kind of stuck with me. I left it out on the field, if you didn't see."

The Falcons finished with 95 yards rushing, which is well below their season average (350.2). They had 190 total yards.

"They were playing with a little more energy, a little more pep in their step," Worthman said. "A little more energy on the sideline. ... We were kind of flat the whole game."

The game changed tenor in the second quarter after Worthman missed a wide open Ryan Reffitt for what looked like a sure touchdown. After a punt, Bradshaw led the Black Knights on a nine-play drive that culminated with a 27-yard TD run by Walker to make it 14-0.

"We gave up some big plays against them a year ago," Monken said. "We didn't give up the big plays this year."

Not only that, but Army's defense was on point all after-

noon in bottling up the Falcons' tricky triple-option offense.

"They were stuffing us pretty well," senior tailback Tim McVey said. "We did not play the way we wanted to."

**Takeaways: Army:** That bye week was put to good use as the Black Knights frustrated the Falcons. It was only their second victory against Air Force in the last 12 games.

**Air Force:** The Falcons need to win two of their final three to become bowl eligible for a 10th time under coach Troy Calhoun. The Falcons lead the series with Army 36-15-1.

**The streak:** Calhoun refused to dwell on the end of the streak.

"It's a credit to how well they played defense and we didn't play well offensively," Calhoun said. "We didn't play well enough in any facet."

**Bradshaw's big day:** The 265 yards rushing by Bradshaw was the most rushing yards in a game by an Army quarterback, according to the team's website. The previous best was 212 yards by Trent Steelman against Eastern Michigan on Oct. 20, 2012.



# No. 9 Miami stops Va. Tech

Associated Press

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Alex Rodriguez flashed his turnover chain, Jennifer Lopez waved a pompom while dancing in her seat most of the night and 63,000 of their closest friends roared from start to finish.

No. 9 Miami faced its biggest test of the season and made it look easy.

Malik Rosier threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score, Travis Homer had a 64-yard touchdown run and Miami moved to the brink of clinching what would be its first spot in an Atlantic Coast Conference championship game by topping No. 13 Virginia Tech 28-10 on Saturday night and extending the nation's longest current winning streak to 13 games.

"We just came out and took what's ours today," said Rosier, who threw touchdown passes to Braxton Berrios and Christopher Herndon IV.

So one showdown is down, and another awaits Miami (8-0, 6-0 ACC, No. 10 CFP). No. 5 Notre Dame (8-1, No. 3 CFP) — the last team to beat the Hurricanes — visits next Saturday night, a game that will have national-title implications.

"It's a tribute to our players, coaches, managers, trainers, our fan base, our students,

band, everything, administration," Miami coach Mark Richt said. "It's great. It takes a lot of work to get to a point that you can get into a game like this and then to win it, it was spectacular. At least that's how it feels. I don't know if it was a spectacular win, but certainly feels that way right now."

Rosier survived a three-interception night, helped out by Miami's turnover chain — the gaudy bauble that gets awarded amid much fanfare on the sideline when the Hurricanes get a takeaway.

Virginia Tech (7-2, 3-2) got a touchdown run from quarterback Josh Jackson, who was 20-for-32 passing for 197 yards and two interceptions.

"They schemed us up pretty good," Jackson said.

The Hokies came in with the nation's No. 2 scoring defense, giving up a mere 11.5 points per game. They were outgained 429-299 by a Miami team looking to make a statement.

Statement made. "Congratulations to Miami and coach Richt," Virginia Tech coach Justin Fuente said. "They're good, sound and talented in all three phases of the game."

After winning their most recent four games by a combined 18 points, and struggling mightily at times last weekend

against North Carolina, the Hurricanes are in total control of the ACC's Coastal Division. Miami's magic number to win the Coastal title is down to one; another victory or any other league loss by Virginia would be enough to send the Hurricanes to the ACC title game for the first time.

The Dec. 2 matchup could be set next weekend. If Clemson wins at Florida State or N.C. State loses at Boston College, the Tigers would clinch the Atlantic crown. And if Virginia loses at Louisville, the Hurricanes would — finally — be Coastal champions, a distinction they've annually chased in vain since the ACC went to a divisional system in 2005.

Rosier threw a pair of interceptions early in the third quarter, and what was once a 14-0 Miami lead was trimmed to 14-10 when Jackson ran in from a yard out.

Later in the third, Rosier took a late hit from Virginia Tech rover Reggie Floyd and the penalty put Miami at the Hokies 43. On the very next play, Rosier found Herndon, who made Floyd miss and galloped down the left sideline to the end zone to restore an 11-point lead. Rosier scored on a 13-yard keeper early in the fourth, and Miami had the game in hand.

# Spartans get past Penn St.

Associated Press

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Michael Geiger had the windmill. Now Matt Coghlin has the slide.

On a long, wet, wacky day at Spartan Stadium, Coghlin's celebration sure felt appropriate.

Coghlin kicked a 34-yard field goal as time expired — some seven hours after the game began — and No. 24 Michigan State upset No. 7 Penn State 27-24 on Saturday night in a game that was delayed nearly 3½ hours by severe weather in the second quarter. After making his winning kick, Coghlin ran back down the field and slid across it on his stomach while his teammates joined him in celebration.

"I wasn't really thinking about the celebration," Coghlin said. "Kind of running away — because I don't want to get trampled. Just dove on the ground. I don't know why."

Two years ago, Geiger kicked a field goal to beat Ohio State and took off running, making a windmill motion with his arm. That gesture became one of the highlights of Michigan State's run to a Big Ten title in 2015. The year's Spartans (7-2, 5-1, No. 24 CFP) now have a chance to add an improbable championship of their own. They play at Ohio State next week.

"We've put ourselves in position to at least be called a contender — and that's what we want to do," Michigan State coach Mark Dantonio said.

The Nittany Lions lost 39-38 to Ohio State last weekend. A victory over Michigan State might have put Penn State (7-2, 4-2, No. 7) right back in the hunt for college football's playoff, but instead, the Nittany Lions' national title hopes may have crumbled for good.

Star Saquon Barkley finished with only 63 yards rushing.

# St. Pierre wins UFC title match

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Georges St. Pierre peered through the blood that washed over his face and locked on a choke hold, a packed house at Madison Square Garden absolutely roaring for "G-S-P!"

St. Pierre tightened his grip until Michael Bisping had no more fight left. Four years after he walked away from UFC for a mental breather, St. Pierre walked out of MSG a champion — a breathtaking reminder that the Canadian is still one of the best ever inside the octagon.

And he proved it in the main

event in one of UFC's all-time great cards.

St. Pierre ended UFC 217 by reasserting himself as a top star in the sport, turning his middleweight championship bout against Bisping into a mismatch Saturday night. The 36-year-old fought like he had only four months off, not four years.

"I don't have words in my mouth right now," GSP said, wiping blood from his face. He went to a hospital after the fight to get stitches on his nose.

St. Pierre's 13th straight UFC victory made it 3-for-3 for the championship challengers

in front of 18,201 fans in the promotion's second card at the Garden in 12 months. T.J. Dillashaw won the bantamweight championship for the second time and Rose Namajunas won the strawweight title on the pay-per-view card.

"It's time for a new era in this sport," Namajunas said.

If St. Pierre represents UFC's glory years, Namajunas could be the poster child for the future.

Namajunas brought the MSG crowd to its feet with a stunning victory over undefeated Joanna Jedrzejczyk to win the 115-pound belt.

# Timberwolves earn fourth straight win

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The last time the Minnesota Timberwolves won four games in a row was five years ago, when Karl-Anthony Towns was a junior in high school.

The Wolves are growing up fast, without much of the pains of past few seasons.

Towns had 31 points and 12 rebounds, Andrew Wiggins added 23 points on 9-for-14 shooting and the Timberwolves used a season-high 33 assists to beat the floundering Dallas Mavericks 112-99 on Saturday night for their first four-game winning streak since Dec. 7-15, 2012.

"It's just one of many," Towns said, "and, hopefully, four will seem like a little bit to us. It'll seem something like we're having a bad season if we're only getting four in a row at some

point."

"Obviously, it's better than losing," coach Tom Thibodeau said, "but the big thing is for us to concentrate on improving."

Holding Mavericks star Harrison Barnes scoreless in the second half, the Wolves enjoyed a blowout for once after the margin of their previous five victories totaled just 17 points.

Barnes finished with 17 points for the Mavericks, who have the worst record in the NBA and their first 1-10 start since the 1993-94 season when they staggered out of the gate at 1-23 and finished 13-69.

The Wolves improved to 6-1 with linchpin Jimmy Butler on the floor, having lost both games the tenacious, versatile small forward missed with a virus.

**Warriors 127, Nuggets 108:** Kevin Durant scored 25 points, Stephen Curry had 22

and Golden State rode a big third quarter to a victory over host Denver.

Klay Thompson and Draymond Green added 15 points apiece for the Warriors. They have won six of their last seven, including all three during their just concluded trip.

Will Barton had 21 points off the bench to lead the Nuggets. None of Denver's starters reached double figures in scoring.

**Grizzlies 113, Clippers 104:** Mike Conley scored 22 points as Memphis made 13 three-pointers and dominated off the bench to beat host Los Angeles.

Marc Gasol added 21 points and Tyreke Evans had 20 to top four reserves in double figures. The Memphis backups outscored the Los Angeles reserves 55-22.

Blake Griffin had 30 points

for the Clippers, and Patrick Beverley had 23.

**Pelicans 96, Bulls 90 (OT):** Anthony Davis had 27 points and 16 rebounds to lead New Orleans past host Chicago.

DeMarcus Cousins added 25 points and 11 rebounds to help the Pelicans snap a six-game, regular-season losing streak to the Bulls.

Justin Holiday had 18 points, Denzel Valentine added 16 and Lauri Markkanen and Robin Lopez had 14 apiece for the Bulls.

**Pistons 108, Kings 99:** Andre Drummond had 16 points and 19 rebounds to help Detroit beat visiting Sacramento. Avery Bradley had 24 points, and Tobias Harris added 20 for the Pistons.

Zach Randolph led the Kings with 19 points.

## Chicago's Crawford blanks Minnesota

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Artem Anisimov scored a power-play goal with 5:42 left in the third period, and the Chicago Blackhawks beat the Minnesota Wild 2-0 on Saturday.

Corey Crawford made 24 saves for his second straight shutout as the Blackhawks won their second straight after three straight losses.

"Those games are fun against that team. It seems like they're always close games, intense. The crowds are always into it, so that makes it fun," Crawford said.

Devan Dubnyk stopped 33 shots for Minnesota.

With Minnesota's Luke Kunin serving a double-minor for high-sticking, Duncan Keith's shot from just inside the blue line was deflected in front by Anisimov just past the halfway point of the man advantage.

Alex DeBrincat added an empty-net goal for the second straight game.

**Blues 6, Maple Leafs 4:**

Alex Pietrangolo scored twice and Brayden Schenn had four assists for St. Louis, which improved to 6-1 at home.

**Lightning 5, Blue Jackets 4 (SO):** Steven Stamkos had a power-play goal in regulation and the lone goal during the shootout, helping host Tampa Bay to the win.

**Capitals 3, Bruins 2:** Tom Wilson posted his first two goals of the season, Alex Ovechkin also scored, and Washington continued its recent success against host Boston, winning the last 10 meetings.

**Rangers 5, Panthers 4:** Kevin Shattenkirk scored twice for visiting New York, including the winner in overtime.

Rick Nash, Michael Grabner and Nick Holden also scored for the Rangers, who won their third straight.

**Avalanche 5, Flyers 4:** Mikko Rantanen scored the winner in the shootout, and the Avalanche kicked off a lengthy road trip with their third straight victory.

In the third round, Rantanen

made a nifty move and fired a shot past the sprawled-out Michal Neuvirth.

**Golden Knights 5, Senators 4:** Maxime Lagace made 24 saves for his first NHL victory, and visiting Vegas got three power-play goals to snap a three-game slide and improve to 9-4-0.

**Canadiens 5, Jets 4 (OT):** Max Pacioretty scored a power-play goal at 3:07 of overtime, lifting visiting Montreal to the win.

Jets defenseman Tyler Myers cross-checked Canadiens forward Alex Galchenyuk at 1:54 to give the Habs the man advantage.

**Coyotes 2, Hurricanes 1 (SO):** Rookie Clayton Keller scored in regulation and the shootout, leading lowly Arizona to its first home win. Antti Raanta had 35 saves in Arizona's second win of the season.

**Stars 5, Sabres 1:** Tyler Seguin scored his fifth power-play goal of the season in host Dallas' four-goal first period.

Seguin's goal on a slap shot

from the left faceoff circle made it 4-0 just 12:51 into the game.

**Sharks 2, Ducks 1:** Joonas Donskoi scored the deciding goal in the sixth round of the shootout and host San Jose rallied for its season-high fourth straight win.

Joel Ward tied the game midway through the third, setting the stage for the shootout that kept the Sharks perfect through three games of this homestand.

**Predators 4, Kings 3 (OT):** Viktor Arvidsson scored on a breakaway at 4:40 of overtime, lifting Nashville to the road win.

Miikka Salomaki, P.K. Subban and Craig Smith also scored for Nashville, and Juuse Saros made 36 stops for his first victory in four starts.

**Canucks 4, Penguins 2:** Rookie Brock Boeser had three goals and an assist, powering host Vancouver to the win.

It was Boeser's first career hat trick. Bo Horvat had a goal and three assists for Vancouver, and Sven Baertschi also had three assists.