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Army Spc. Samuel Kosgei, 30, crosses the finish line to win the 39th annual Marine Corps Marathon on Sunday in Arlington, Va.

## 'Conditions' dictate delay in S. Korea OPCON transfer

By JON HARPER  
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Political and strategic developments have compelled the United States and South Korea to shelve major plans for reorganization of allied forces on the Korean Peninsula, according to officials and outside experts.

During a joint press conference at the Pentagon on Thursday, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel and his South Korean

counterpart announced several steps that were being taken in light of the "grave threat" posed by North Korea.

One is to postpone the transfer of wartime control over allied forces on the Korean Peninsula. Under the current arrangement, U.S. commanders would take command of all American and South Korean troops in the event of war with North Korea.

Plans for that power to be transferred to Seoul's military leaders next year, but offi-

cials said the transfer will now be "conditions based," and thus postponed indefinitely.

Another major decision is to delay the movement of American troops away from the North-South border, which the government in Seoul had called for. The combined forces headquarters will remain in Yong-san until the OPCON transfer takes place, and a U.S. artillery brigade will remain near the demilitarized zone.

Hagel said the changes will

ensure that South Korea has sufficient military capabilities in place before it assumes lead responsibility for wartime operations.

On Friday, Gen. Curtis Scaparrotti, the commander of U.S. Forces Korea, said Seoul needs to improve its command and control, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, and missile defense capabilities before the OPCON transfer takes place.

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## West Point used booze and women for recruits

By TOM ROEDER

The (Colorado Springs, Colo.) Gazette

The Army football team wooed recruits this year with an alcohol-fueled party, a dinner date with female cadets, cash from boosters and VIP treatment on a party bus complete with cheerleaders and a police escort, documents obtained by The Gazette show.

The U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., which acknowledged the misconduct to The Gazette, disciplined 20 cadets for promoting underage drinking and other misdeeds and self-reported a recruiting violation to the NCAA. Two officers were reprimanded along with a pair of coaches.

Those involved, though, avoided more serious punishments, including dismissal from the academy for cadets and court-martial for officers.

The football players involved, including Army starting quarterback Angel Santiago, are expected to be on the field when Army takes on Air Force on Nov. 1.

The nation's oldest military academy said that it dealt with the cadets involved harshly.

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# QUOTE OF THE DAY

**"They were advertising basically to ghosts, voters who had already voted."**

— Paul Mitchell, vice president with Political Data Inc., which helps campaigns identify and track voters, recalling a recent campaign that made a pricey last-minute TV ad buy in a state that has early voting

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# WAR/MILITARY

# NATO: Air support to continue

## As it shuts key base, ISAF vows to buttress Afghan air force beyond 2014

By **JOSH SMITH**  
Stars and Stripes

KABUL, Afghanistan — The international military coalition said Sunday it would continue to provide air support to Afghan forces after the scheduled end of combat operations in December, even as it shuttered a major regional command in the violent Helmand province.

Maj. Paul Greenberg, a spokesman for NATO's International Security Assistance Force, said in a statement to Stars and Stripes that cooperation with the Afghan police and military after the transition to Afghan control "will include continued aviation support" by the coalition.

The framework for the continued air support was laid out in a recent agreement between Afghanistan and NATO, said Afghan Defense Ministry spokesman Gen. Zahir Aziml.

"According to our new agreement, the NATO air forces will support Afghan security forces until the Afghan air force is sufficient," he told Stars and Stripes in a phone interview. He said the current goal is to have the Afghan air force fully operational by 2016.

That news came as the United Kingdom essentially ended its combat mission in Afghanistan by handing over control of Camp Bastion to the Afghan forces in Helmand. Neighboring Camp Leatherneck was also formally transferred, signaling that the mission for U.S. Marines in the province is also nearing its end.

The planned American drawdown announced by President Barack Obama calls for about 9,800 U.S. troops to remain in Afghanistan next year for a "non-combat train, advise and assist mission." Other NATO partners have pledged to send about 2,000 troops. It is not clear whether coalition air forces will be counted in those numbers.

Continuing violence in the country has led the Afghan government to retain a massive national security force and to seek additional support from NATO.

There has been much specu-



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**British troops stand with colleagues from the U.S. Marine Corps and the Afghan National Security Forces to witness the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes at the Bastion-Leatherneck complex lowered for the last time Sunday. British armed forces have ended combat operations in Afghanistan's Helmand province, paving the way for the final transfer of security to the ANSF, officials said Sunday.**

lation about the exact nature of future international military backing. Now ISAF says combat aviation forces may be part of that support.

While he said the past two years have seen "exponential growth of the Afghan Air Force and the ability of the ANSF to operate independently," Greenberg said military support will continue.

"Upon the request of the Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF), the International Security Assistance Force has provided robust aviation support to the ANSF throughout Helmand Province in the form of close air support and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft," he said in the statement to Stars and Stripes. "This support has been provided consistently over the past two years. Upon request of the ANSF, NATO will continue to provide aviation support to Afghan forces during Resolute Support."

He confirmed that the support would apply to all of Afghanistan. According to statistics released

by U.S. Central Command, American aircraft dropped 436 bombs and other weapons in August, the most in two years.

Officials are keen to avoid a repeat of the disaster in Iraq, where Western and allied countries have been forced to launch a new air war to try to roll back gains by Islamic State militants.

The ISAF on Sunday announced the end of its mission in Regional Command Southwest, an area of Afghanistan that included Helmand province. British troops and U.S. Marines lowered their flags at a ceremony at Camp Bastion and Leatherneck, a massive combined base in Helmand that has been a fixture in the region for most of the war.

The base was turned over to Afghan National Security Forces, who have been tasked with providing security in the country as the ISAF ends its combat operations.

Greenberg said that because of efforts by Afghan forces, "insurgent networks have become ineffective in Helmand province."

Still, he said, coalition support will continue under the Resolute Support mission, which begins next year.

Forward Operating Base Dwyer, which includes an airfield, remains in ISAF control in Helmand, the coalition said.

"The formal end of U.K. combat operations in Afghanistan marks the final step in a deliberate, responsible and measured handover to the ANSF," Brigadier Rob Thomson, the top British officer in Helmand, said in a statement. "They are more than ready to take on responsibility for security in Helmand."

The long summer in Helmand was marked by heavy fighting in some districts. There were reports that the Taliban had gained control of territory and threatened government centers. Afghan forces are said to have sustained heavy casualties in the fighting, which has recently subsided.

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## MILITARY

# Construction of military hospital in Germany starts

By MATT MILLHAM  
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RHINE ORDNANCE BARRACKS, Germany — After more than a year of delays, American and German officials heaved the first shovels of dirt Friday to mark the symbolic start of construction on a nearly \$1 billion U.S. military hospital here.

Expected to open in 2022, the new facility will replace the Army's aging Landstuhl Regional Medical Center and the Air Force's medical clinic at Ramstein Air Base, both of which were built in the 1950s and cost millions of dollars a year to maintain.

Work at the new hospital site began in earnest in February after the U.S. military and its German counterparts laid out plans to mitigate the project's environmental impact, allaying the concerns of environmental groups whose lawsuits had stalled the project.

Since finishing tree cutting in February, workers have begun demolishing unused buildings, including a railroad, warehouses and dozens of bunkers that once housed ammunition.

The United States spent some \$16 million planting trees, relocating animals and building habitats and breeding grounds for other creatures to mitigate environmental damage.

"The heavy construction, which is really the movement of the earth and shaping of the earth, will be beginning later this fall or early in the next calendar year," said Lloyd Caldwell, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers'

director of military programs.

That early work entails laying utility lines for the new facility. The construction of the hospital and companion buildings will start sometime in the next couple of years, Caldwell said.

"There's a lot of work behind the scenes at the federal, local and state level," both in Germany and in the U.S., Lt. Gen. Donald M. Campbell Jr., commander of U.S. Army Europe, said after the ceremony Friday.

Germany's Defense Ministry had sought to help the U.S. expedite the project, waiving a public environmental review that was required by German law. Environmental groups sued, and the review eventually went forward.

The legal battle and review set the project back more than a year.

Congress authorized up to \$990 million for the new hospital complex, which will include a parking structure, utility plants and a warehouse in addition to a 1 million-square-foot hospital building.

The Army Corps of Engineers is planning for a hospital with 120 examining rooms, 68 beds and nine operating theaters. The new structure will include features that officials said will lead to better outcomes for patients. Patient rooms will have natural light and views of nature, and they will be larger than those in Landstuhl to accommodate family members.

Operating rooms will also have more square footage to make room for equipment and to meet modern standards.

One of the most important features of the new hospital is its location, adjacent to Ramstein



PHOTOS BY MATT MILLHAM/Stars and Stripes

German and American officials heave shovels of dirt Friday during a ground-breaking ceremony for a new U.S. military hospital in Wellerbach, Germany, adjacent to Ramstein Air Base.

Air Base. It will take about five minutes to get there from the flight line, compared with the 7-mile drive to Landstuhl, which can take up to 30 minutes with autobahn traffic, said Maj. Gen. Christopher J. Bence, vice commander of the Third Air Force and 17th Expeditionary Air Force at Ramstein.

Landstuhl, the U.S. military's largest overseas hospital, is the first stop for American casualties evacuated from the Middle East and Africa. It treats thousands of servicemembers, retirees and family members every year.

Built during the Cold War, the rambling spine-and-rib structure was designed to minimize casualties from Soviet bombs. That design makes it difficult and time-consuming to navigate. Most patient rooms, built for the massive numbers of casualties expected from Soviet battles that never happened, look out on other parts of the hospital.

Landstuhl has handled thousands of wounded from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as casualties from the Sept. 11, 2012, attack on Benghazi, Libya. It remains the U.S. military's premier overseas trauma center. But renovations and general upkeep



Lt. Gen. Donald M. Campbell Jr., commander of U.S. Army Europe, speaks with reporters after the ceremony.

run between \$8 million and \$10 million a year, according to hospital officials.

The new hospital, yet to be named, will address most if not all of Landstuhl's weaknesses.

"The last 13-plus years of conflict have validated and proven the vital need for world-class military medical care in this region of the world," Campbell said.

The Army is making plans to

repurpose the Landstuhl hospital after the new facility is finished.

The base where Landstuhl stands also hosts day care and teen centers, a school and military housing, as well as a Fisher House — which provides housing for families of wounded servicemembers — and other military offices and organizations.

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## Recruits: Military academy athletics under increased scrutiny

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"Although seen as a minor infraction by the NCAA, the U.S. Military Academy takes this very seriously and adjudicates it at the highest level of the disciplinary code," West Point said in a statement. "We adjudicated this under Article 10 of the Cadet Disciplinary Code and all cadets appeared before the Commandant's Disciplinary Board."

One critic of West Point athletics said the secrecy surrounding the incident and apparent lack of severe discipline is nothing new.

"That's not shocking, considering in the past the academy has basically waived its own administrative procedures to keep players on the field," said retired Army Maj. Dwight Mears, a West Point graduate and former history professor at the academy.

West Point spokeswoman Theresa Brinkerhoff said the school didn't disclose the misconduct to the public because it was handled "administratively."

She said the administrative punishments involved didn't affect athletic eligibility.

The Pentagon had no immediate comment on the West Point incident.

The revelations out of West Point come as military academy athletic programs, including at the Air Force Academy, face increasing scrutiny for player misconduct. An August investigation into athlete conduct at the academy found that a core group of football players had engaged in drug use, binge drinking, sexual assault and academic cheating.

Air Force Superintendent Lt. Gen. Michelle Johnson reacted to

the player misconduct by launching a review of athletic programs and cracking down on player behavior.

Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colo., said the revelations at Army show a need for that school to have a wider review of its athletic department culture.

"It could potentially be helpful if each service academy followed the proactive leadership steps taken by General Johnson at the Air Force Academy," Lamborn, who serves on the Air Force Academy Board of Visitors, said in a statement. "It is important that our service academies continue to focus on providing world class educations and developing the next generation of elite military leaders."

West Point began investigating recruiting misdeeds in

March, more than a month after the incidents took place. The report found that football coaches, including first-year coach Jeff Monken, knew of the incidents within days but didn't tell West Point leaders or the NCAA about the misconduct.

"Coach Monken decided to punish the cadets that were involved and pulled them from the spring (practice) game," a report written by Lt. Col. Shannon Miller says. Miller is an aviator assigned to West Point who was ordered by the school's commandant of cadets, Brig. Gen. Richard Clarke, to investigate the recruiting allegations.

In September, West Point issued new guidelines for recruit visits, including a requirement that an officer be in attendance at all times.

## AAFES says gas station system error corrected

A system error that was incorrectly charging customers for fuel at off-post Esso stations has been fixed, according to the Army and Air Force Exchange Service.

The error had resulted in customers' being charged the per-gallon price for each liter of fuel — roughly 3.89 times what they should have been paying, AAFES said. It asked customers to avoid using off-base Esso stations to refuel and to use only on-base facilities.

The system is now corrected for use on and off base.

For refunds, customers can take their receipts to their nearest AAFES customer service desk or AAFES gas station, or they scan their receipts and email them to wagnern@afes.com or walkertm@afes.com.

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PACIFIC

# Scaparrotti: N. Korea nuke progress likely

By JON HARPER  
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — The commander of U.S. forces in Korea said Friday he believes North Korea is capable of producing a miniaturized nuclear device, a necessary step toward nuclear missile capability.

Acquiring such a capability is a complex undertaking, requiring a nation to design and build a nuclear warhead compact enough to fit on top of a missile, and develop sophisticated rocket systems to deliver the warhead accurately. But U.S. officials have grown increasingly concerned in recent years that North Korea — a sworn enemy of the United States and South Korea — was successfully moving down that path.

“Personally I think that they certainly have had the expertise in the past, they’ve had the right [international nuclear proliferation] connections, and so I believe they have the capability to miniaturize the device at this point and they have the technology to potentially actually deliver what they say they have,” Gen. Curtis Scaparrotti, commander of U.S. Forces Korea, told reporters at the Pentagon.

He said he isn’t certain Pyongyang has an operational nuclear

missile because they haven’t tested it yet, but it’s prudent to assume that they do.

“I don’t think, as a commander, we can afford the luxury of believing perhaps they haven’t gotten there,” he said.

North Korea has paraded what they claim to be a road-mobile nuclear missile, referred to as the KN-08, and declared that it is functional.

Last year, it was revealed that the Defense Intelligence Agency believed with “moderate confidence” that Pyongyang had the ability to miniaturize warheads and mount them on long-range missiles.

On Friday, Scaparrotti suggested that the North is now able to put all the pieces together.

“I think they have a launcher that will carry it at this point,” he said.

Still, the commander cast doubt on how well it would perform if the North Koreans actually tried to use it.

“We’ve not seen it tested at this point,” he noted. “For something that’s that complex, without it being tested, the probability of it being effective is pretty darn low.”

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**Commander, U.S. Forces Korea, Army Gen. Curtis Scaparrotti said at a news conference at the Pentagon on Friday, regarding possible nuclear program advances by North Korea, “I don’t think, as a commander, we can afford the luxury of believing perhaps they haven’t gotten there.”**

## Korea: Expert says Seoul’s political climate drove original control transfer deal

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Scaparrotti said that in addition to their larger ground force, North Korea has ballistic missiles, one of the world’s largest chemical weapons stockpiles, a biological weapons research program, the world’s largest special operations force, an active cyber-warfare capability and a nuclear weapons program.

He told reporters that he believes that North Korea now has the capability to miniaturize nuclear warheads and place them on missiles.

“There’s all of these reasons why we need to maintain the maximum level of military effectiveness and ... we’re hesitant I think to make any changes that could compromise that,” according to Zachary Hosford, an Asia expert at the Center for a New American Security.

Officials and experts are also alarmed by North Korea’s actions. In recent years, Pyongyang has

launched a series of provocations, including a nuclear weapons test, ballistic missile launches, artillery attacks on South Korean islands and the sinking of a South Korean warship, which killed 46 sailors.

In recent days, troops from both sides exchanged gunfire across the border.

“North Korea definitely poses a bigger threat now” than it did when the OPCON transfer was

first proposed more than a decade ago, Hosford said.

Hosford said going ahead with previous plans as scheduled would have left the alliance in a weakened position at a dangerous time.

“The security environment is tenuous and I think it’s quite unstable,” he said. “I don’t expect North Korea to launch a full-scale ground invasion tomorrow. But ... there could be another con-

ventional skirmish similar to the Cheonan sinking or to the Yeonpyeong island artillery shelling that could ... escalate out of control beyond what was ever intended by either side and we could end up in a conventional conflict due to miscalculation.”

Experts said the political environment in which the OPCON transfer was proposed by the South Koreans has changed significantly, justifying an indefinite delay. At the time, leaders of South Korea were trying to improve ties with the North Korean regime and distance themselves from the U.S. after two South Korean schoolgirls were killed by a convoy vehicle driven by American soldiers.

In the early 2000s there was a lot of anti-American sentiment” in South Korea, Hosford said. “The U.S.-ROK alliance was not in anywhere near as good a shape as it is now and there was animosity there that was driving some of

the issues of transferring operational control. So now that the political and diplomatic situations have improved, there’s less of that motivation there.”

Michael Auslin, an Asia specialist at the American Enterprise Institute, said the plans were always driven by politics.

“It stemmed originally from domestic [South] Korean politics, to get rid of the inequity of not having control over their own troops in times of war,” he said.

“That’s really the core problem,” Auslin said. “It wasn’t driven by military planning and analysis on what was the best way to maintain alliance effectiveness in the face of a contingency or a war with North Korea and the like, but rather it was based on politics. And the South Koreans simply were not ready” to take over.

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PACIFIC

# Volcanoes a threat to US bases in Japan

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**Mount Fuji is seen from a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter flying to Yokota Air Force Base, Japan, in April. Scientists warn that a volcanic eruption could render U.S. military bases near Tokyo "unusable."**

of sensors around Mount Fuji suggests that pressure under the iconic mountain has increased since the quake.

"The risk (of an eruption) is clearly higher," lead researcher Florent Brenguier told the Guardian newspaper.

Toshitsugu Fujii, a professor emeritus at the University of Tokyo and head of the Coordinating Committee for Prediction for Volcanic Eruptions, agreed, predicting, "In the coming several decades, we can expect that Japanese volcanoes, including Mount Fuji, are likely to be more active."

Mount Fuji, which looms over the Yokota flightline on film days, is just over 40 miles from the base. Groups of servicemembers hike to the top of the 12,388-foot moun-

tain during the summer climbing season, when it's so crowded that pedestrian traffic jams occur.

When it erupts, there's a high risk that Mount Fuji will spew more than a cubic kilometer of ash up to an altitude of 33,000 feet. Prevailing winds would blow the ash over the city and the U.S. bases, Fujii told a recent news conference.

He said train tracks at Yokohama, near Yokosuka Naval Base, could get 8 inches of ashfall, while the Tomei Expressway near Camp Zama — headquarters of U.S. Army Japan — and Naval Air Facility Atsugi could get a foot-deep covering. At Gotenba, slightly closer to Mount Fuji, there could be 3 feet of ash, he said.

"These bases will become unus-

able after an eruption," Fujii said of the U.S. facilities. "Haneda and Narita airports would likely be covered in ash and air transport stopped."

One of the most disturbing aspects about volcanoes is their unpredictability. Mount St. Helens, in Washington state, had been spewing smoke for so long that many people had become blasé about it when the big blast occurred. Mount Ontake had been rumbling a bit before it erupted, there was no indication anything major was developing.

The Ontake eruption has focused attention on the danger posed by Mount Fuji.

"Recently small scale earthquakes due to the movement of magma beneath the Mount Fuji area have been regularly observed," the Yokota plan states. "Though it may not be soon, Mount Fuji is expected to erupt at some point in the future."

Families should discuss the best routes to emergency shelters and how to stay in contact if evacuation occurs, the plan advises.

When an eruption is imminent, people should follow warnings provided by the Japan Meteorological Agency, not be misled by false rumors about the condition of the volcano, and get correct information from reliable sources such as television, radio, newspapers and local authorities, the plan

advises.

"Follow official evacuation information as it is provided," the plan states.

U.S. Forces Japan did not make officials available to talk further about the risks and potential impact.

Fujii said the fate of the bases would likely mirror that of Subic Bay and Clark Air Base in the Philippines after the 1991 eruption of Mount Pinatubo. U.S. forces left both facilities soon after they were blanketed in ash. A 9-year-old American girl was killed when the roof at the base's dependent school collapsed under the weight of the ash.

The Japan meteorological agency issues alerts for 29 volcanoes in Japan. A "level 3" alert requires people living near a volcano to evacuate. "Level 3" means don't approach the volcano.

The warnings are based on signs such as earthquakes, tilting or deformation of the volcanoes, Fujii said. But he added that these phenomena sometimes aren't observed until just before an eruption, so there could be little, if any, warning before Mount Fuji goes.

"The technology to predict eruptions doesn't exist," he said. "We don't know what will happen a year from now with Mount Fuji."

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# China says US anti-missile deployment undermines trust

By ERIK SLAVIN  
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YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan — China has criticized the U.S. deployment of an anti-missile radar at a base in Japan, saying the move undermines "mutual trust."

Foreign Ministry spokesman Hua Chunying avoided naming the United States, but her response came following a question about the X-band radar's recent arrival at a seaside base in Yokota Prefecture.

"The anti-missile deployment in the Asia-Pacific by a certain country in the pursuit of unilateral security goes against regional strategic stability and mutual trust, as well as peace and stability in Northeast Asia," Hua told a news conference Thursday.

China has been rapidly developing an advanced missile system that could potentially be used to restrict U.S. Navy movement

in the international waters of the East and South China seas, according to Pentagon reports.

In its "terminal mode," the new Army Navy Transportable Radar Surveillance system, or AN/TPY-2, can cue the Navy's ship-based Aegis missile defense systems.

On Oct. 16, the Navy announced it would move two additional Aegis-equipped destroyers — the USS Benford and USS Mitsler — to its Japan-based 7th Fleet in 2015 and 2017, respectively.

The "Tippy Two" radar also links to the Army's ground-based Terminal High Altitude Area Defense, better known as THAAD.

The new radar is no surprise to China, nor is it positioned with China in mind, U.S. officials said. The U.S. already had one AN/TPY-2 deployed in northern Japan's Amori Prefecture.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel announced plans for the second radar move during an

October 2013 press conference in Tokyo as a response to North Korean missile tests and threats.

"This additional radar will bolster our ability to defend the U.S. homeland and Japan against North Korea's ballistic missiles," Hagel said.

A U.S. official at the time said the new radar would "close the gaps" in its Korean Peninsula missile launch detection. The

radar has a 600-mile range in its forward-based mode, according to Defense Industry Daily.

Although China remains one of North Korea's few allies, signs of strain in the relationship have appeared in recent years. Beijing protested Pyongyang's third nuclear test in February 2013 and implemented trade sanctions against its neighbor.

However, China has also con-

tinued to defend North Korea on human rights issues and fears the consequences of a regime collapse, wrote Adam Segal, senior fellow at the nonpartisan Council on Foreign Relations.

"The idea that the Chinese would turn their backs on the North Koreans is clearly wrong," Segal stated.

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## EUROPE

## Partnership brings Landstuhl new technology

Joint military-civilian project allows 24/7 monitoring of patients with brain injuries

By JENNIFER H. SVAN  
Stars and Stripes

LANDSTUHL, Germany — Even to an untrained eye, it can be apparent when someone is having a seizure. A person falls to the floor, muscles may stiffen or twitch out of control; eyes may roll back or eyelids flutter.

But not all seizures are so dramatic or easily observed. “Silent” seizures can ripple across regions of the brain without any visible clues — and with potentially damaging effects.

Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany recently became the first U.S. military hospital capable of detecting those nonconvulsive seizures through a diagnostic tool called continuous electroencephalography, or cEEG, thanks to a rare civilian-military medical partnership.

The digital recording of the electrical impulses in the brain gives neurologists a critical and early window into the cerebral function of patients after a traumatic brain injury, when they are in a state of altered consciousness — from mild confusion to a coma — and are thought to be more at risk of experiencing seizures.

### Early seizure detection

Neurologists at Landstuhl say the tool will allow them to treat seizures that previously went undetected, an intervention they hope will stem further brain damage and improve a person's long-term outlook.

“The idea is to use this advanced monitoring of the brain to detect seizures early on after a trauma,” said UCLA neurologist Paul Vespa, director of the brain injury program and neurocritical care unit at Ronald Reagan University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center and Operation Mend, a philanthropic group associated with the university that donated the \$30,000 cEEG equipment to Landstuhl. “This technique is being done at our center and many civilian (neurointensive care) centers. It was not being done in the military at the time.”

“This isn't necessarily a new technology but it's a new application, a new approach to this,” said Army Maj. Anthony Frattonale, a neurointensivist and the chief neurologist at LRMCC, “because Landstuhl for the past 12 years, we've been so busy, we have not been able to provide this round-the-clock sort of coverage.”

To pull off real-time, continuous monitoring, LRMCC is teaming up with the neurology department at the UCLA medical center. The sharing of EEG data from LRMCC through secure computer files will allow UCLA neurologists to monitor a Landstuhl patient's brain ac-



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER H. SVAN/Stars and Stripes

Army Col. Judith Lee, commander of Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany, has electrodes connected to wires taped to her head while acting as the first test patient for the hospital's continuous electroencephalography, a tool neurologists can use to look for seizures in comatose patients.

tivity in real time, 24 hours a day, if needed. If they saw something that looked like a seizure, they would immediately consult neurologists at LRMCC to discuss the findings and come up with a possible treatment plan.

Vespa, who was the driving force behind the partnership, said UCLA began using cEEG in 1992. Over the years, the study of patients on cEEG has profoundly changed neurologists' understanding of the injured brain, Vespa said.

About 20 percent to 25 percent of patients with a severe traumatic brain injury will have seizures, most likely within days after an injury, he said. “Most of those are silent.”

If left unchecked, seizures can further damage an already vulnerable brain. To what extent is not known, but doctors know that “seizures are bad for the brain over time,” Frattonale said.

They can lead to scarring of certain tissues and brain swelling, Frattonale said. Magnetic resonance imaging show the same types of changes in brain-injured patients who've had seizures as those with Alzheimer's and other memory diseases, he said.

Studies that Vespa has been part of back that up. “What we've seen in the civilian TBI world is



The cEEG technology uses color-coded strips and wires to guide in the placement of electrodes on a patient's scalp.

that seizures make a big difference in terms of ... physiology of the brain and long-term outcomes,” he said. “Patients who have early seizures have more brain cell loss long-term,” particularly in areas important for memory and lan-

guage function, he said.

“We want to identify and stop these seizures,” Vespa said. “They are really a true secondary insult that can harm the brain after the initial trauma is over.”

### Many obstacles

Vespa and others involved in the project chose LRMCC for the cEEG partnership because of its proximity to the battlefield. The largest U.S. military hospital overseas is typically the first stop for service-members injured in the Middle East, Southwest Asia and Africa.

An earlier attempt to establish a cEEG study with TBI patients at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Washington in partnership with UCLA and Operation Mend failed because of concerns by the military about using servicemembers for research, Vespa said.

Setting up the cEEG program at LRMCC took about two years. The slow-moving wheels of bureaucracy almost ground the effort to a halt, say those involved. A system giving civilian doctors access to military medical data, even though the only information to be shared were brain wave graphs — with patient identities kept anonymous — had to be vetted. Staff at UCLA involved in the project had to obtain security clearances, and there were technical issues to work through.

At one point, retired Army Gen. Peter Chiarelli, an outspoken supporter of Operation Mend and UCLA's efforts to partner with military medicine, got involved.

Chiarelli said he offered to help after hearing about the project in 2013. “I have a Rolodex,” he said. “I put as much pressure as anyone else can put on anybody to have them look at this and have them move on this as quickly as possible.”

Chiarelli, the Army's vice chief

of staff for four years, said partnering with civilian hospitals needs to be easier. “We need to pull out all the stops to help our wounded warriors,” he said. “It really shouldn't have taken as long as it did to get us to this point.”

In late August, LRMCC successfully tested cEEG, with the hospital's commander, Army Col. Judith Lee, standing in as the first test patient. Electrodes were stuck to her scalp, and her digital brain wave recordings were transmitted to a file that could be accessed by UCLA neurologists.

“I think it's incredible,” Lee said. “There were a lot of obstacles. We hung in there, and here we are. It's very exciting.”

Frattonale said UCLA is interested in how blast injuries affect the brain, which is different from the traumatic brain injury seen in the civilian population. Those more typically are TBIs from car accidents or gunshots.

“We see lots of different types of TBIs in the military environment than the civilian, and so that's one of the reasons he was interested in collaboration,” Frattonale said of Vespa.

Whether LRMCC will see those types of TBIs in significant numbers remains to be seen.

Medical staff at the hospital agree it would have been great to have cEEG capability a few years ago. During the height of the wars in Iraq or Afghanistan, LRMCC was treating about 200 traumatic brain injuries per year, said Steven Cain, a certified physician's assistant in general surgery and trauma, noting those numbers fluctuated depending on the situation downrange.

“Since the beginning of 2013, we've seen a fairly steady downward trajectory as far as trauma patients,” he said.

But cEEG is still valuable to LRMCC, Cain said. “We don't know what's going to happen” regarding future conflicts.

Frattonale agrees.

“Even if we only help out a few people at the end of this conflict, that's still good and worth it to me,” he said. “We're trying to improve our care and provide something even better than what we've done before.”

The program isn't just for TBI patients, Frattonale said. Just before the program was ready to go, a Special Forces soldier from Africa was treated at Landstuhl for cerebral malaria, a severe complication of malaria. He was in a coma for a short while and “would have been someone we could have used this machine on,” he said.

“Those kinds of patients are also the ones we're going to be looking for,” he said. “Anybody who has an abnormal mental status, usually a depressed level of consciousness, and we don't know why — those people deserve to be monitored with this sort of technology.”

He added: “There's so little we can do to treat brain injury after it happens. This is one of those rare opportunities, I hope, where we can intervene and make a difference.”

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Landstuhl Regional Medical Center chief neurologist



# WAR ON TERRORISM



**Iraqi security forces patrol the town of Jurf al-Sakhar, Iraq, on Saturday. An Iraqi official on Sunday said Iraq had retaken control of the Sunni town previously seized by Islamic State militants.**

## Iraqi forces retake seized Sunni town

By SAMEER N. YACOB  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraqi soldiers backed by Shiite militiamen retook control Sunday of a Sunni town seized previously by Islamic militants, said an Iraqi official and state-run TV, a rare victory for Iraqi security forces that have been battling to regain areas lost to the militants.

The provincial official said that government forces entered Jurf al-Sakhar, which fell to fighters from the Islamic State group in late July.

Col. Muthana Khalid, spokesman of the Babil provincial police, said the battle over the town left dozens of militants dead or wounded.

"Our soldiers raised the Iraqi flag over government offices and buildings in the town. It is another victory achieved against the terrorists," Khalid added.

The town, 30 miles south of the capital, is part of a predominantly Sunni ribbon town that runs just south of Baghdad.

State-run TV showed footage of Iraqi soldiers walking near a Jurf al-Sakhar police station and the municipal building. Also, explosive experts were shown detonating some roadside bombs planted by the insurgents in order to delay the advance of the Iraqi forces.

The cleared town lies on a road usually taken by Shiite pilgrims who will be heading in droves to the holy Shiite city of Karbala next week in order to commemorate the death of Prophet Muhammad's grandson, Imam Hussein — one of the most revered Shiite martyrs.

Meanwhile, the U.S. military said Sunday it launched airstrikes north and west of Baghdad, hitting a small Islamic State group unit and destroying armed vehicles.

Police and hospital officials said a bomb exploded on a commercial street in western Baghdad, killing three people and wounding eight others. In southern Baghdad, a bomb blast near a line of shops killed two persons and wounded seven others.

## Activists: Kobani death toll over 800

By ELENA BECATOROS  
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The Associated Press

MURSIPTINAR, Turkey — A Syrian activist group said Sunday that the death toll in 40 days of fighting in and around the northern Syrian border town of Kobani has reached 815, as Kurdish fighters battled Muslim militants for a hill west of the town.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said the death toll includes 21 Kurdish civilians and 302 fighters with the main Kurdish force known as the Peoples Protection Units, or YPG. It said 481 fighters with the Islamic State group have been killed since the battles began.

Islamic State fighters launched a wide offensive on Kobani in mid-September capturing dozens of Kurdish villages and entering parts of the town. The attack has displaced more than 200,000 people who crossed for safety in Turkey.

On Saturday, the Islamic State group launched an attack on a Kurdish-held neighborhood in Kobani without succeeding in advancing, the Observatory said. It added that seven Islamic State fighters were killed as well as several YPG fighters.

The U.S. Central Command said in a statement that five airstrikes near Kobani destroyed



VADIM GHIRDA/AP

**Backdropped by his home town of Kobani, Syrian Kurdish refugee Mohammad Hassan, 84, cries, on the outskirts of Suruc, Turkey, near the Turkey-Syria border on Sunday.**

seven Islamic State vehicles and an Islamic State building. It said the five airstrikes were conducted on Saturday and Sunday.

Last week, the U.S. Central Command said that its forces conducted more than 135 airstrikes against the militants in

and around Kobani, killing hundreds of Islamic State fighters.

Idriss Nassan, a Kurdish official from Kobani, said the fighting concentrated Sunday on the Izza hill west of the town. That area is close to the strategic Tel Shair hill, which overlooks parts of the town. Kurdish fighters recently regained control of the Tel Shair hill.

"The units (YPG) are advancing slowly on the eastern and southern fronts," Nassan said. "The situation is relatively calm compared with yesterday."

The Observatory said YPG fighters attacked two Islamic State vehicles west of Kobani on Sunday inflicting casualties among jihadists.

Also Sunday, state news agency SANA reported that rebels in the northern Syrian city of Aleppo fired two mortar shells, killing an adult and a child and wounding several others when they hit a school.

The Observatory said one of the shells hit the Hoda Shaarawi school, while the second fell in front of it.

In the central province of Homs, a government air raid on the town of Talbiseh late Saturday killed 18 people, including 10 children and three women, the Observatory said. It added that 16 of the dead were from the same family.

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## EBOLA OUTBREAK

## Expert says he wouldn't recommend quarantine

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Mandatory 21-day quarantines on health care workers returning from Ebola-ravaged West Africa, like those put in place by three states, can have the unintended consequence of discouraging them from volunteering, a top federal health official said Sunday.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said that as a physician and scientist, he would have recommended against a quarantine.

"The best way to protect us is to stop the epidemic in Africa, and we need those health care workers, so we do not want to put them in a position where it makes it very, very uncomfortable for them to even volunteer to go," he said.

He said active and direct monitoring can accomplish the same thing as a quarantine because people infected with Ebola do not become contagious until they start showing symptoms. Ebola is transmitted through direct contact with the bodily fluids of an infected person.

New York, New Jersey and Illinois imposed mandatory quarantines after Dr. Craig Spencer, a Doctors Without Borders physician who treated patients in Guinea, was diagnosed with Ebola last Thursday. The doctor, who is now in isolation at New York's Bellevue Hospital, had been on the subway, went bowling, jogged in a park and dined at a restaurant before showing symptoms.

Florida Gov. Rick Scott ordered twice-daily monitoring for anyone returning from places the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention designates as affected by Ebola. Scott signed the order Saturday giving the Florida Health Department authority to monitor individuals for 21 days,



MARK LENIHAN/AP

**New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, left, speaks as New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie listens at a news conference Friday in New York announcing the states' mandatory quarantines.**

the incubation period for Ebola.

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie said he concluded the quarantine was necessary to protect public health in his state and that he thinks the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention "eventually will come around to our point of view on this."

Christie said Fauci was counting on "a voluntary system with folks who may or may not comply."

"The governor pointed to an NBC News crew that had returned from West Africa and was supposed to self-quarantine because its cameraman was hospitalized with Ebola. "Two days later, they were out picking up takeout food in Princeton and walking around the streets of Princeton," he said. The cameraman has recovered

and has been released from the hospital.

The hazey details of how such quarantines will be handled are drawing sharp criticism as infectious disease experts say enforcement logistics are up in the air.

Fauci said Spencer did exactly what he should have done by putting himself in isolation as soon as he developed a fever. "No one came into contact with his body fluids," Fauci said. "The risk is essentially zero, vanishingly small." Fauci said the health care workers returning from treating Ebola patients are responsible and know that if they have symptoms there's the possibility of transmitting the disease. "They don't want to get anyone else infected," he said.

As for the unintended conse-

## NJ nurse criticizes handling of her case

By VERENA DOBNIK  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The nurse who was quarantined at a New Jersey hospital because she had contact with Ebola patients in West Africa criticized the way her case has been handled, raising concerns from humanitarian and human rights groups over unclear policies for the newly launched quarantine program.

Kaci Hickox, the first traveler quarantined under Ebola watches in New Jersey and New York, wrote the first-person account for the Dallas Morning News, which was posted on the paper's website Saturday. Her preliminary tests for Ebola came back negative.

"This is not a situation I would wish on anyone, and I am scared for those who will follow me," Hickox wrote of her quarantine. "I am scared about how health care workers will be treated at airports when they declare that they

have been fighting Ebola in West Africa. I am scared that, like me, they will arrive and see a frenzy of disorganization, fear and, most frightening, quarantine. ... The U.S. must treat returning health care workers with dignity and humanity."

In her essay, Hickox described being stopped at Newark Liberty International airport and questioned over several hours after touching down Friday. She said none of those who questioned her would explain what was going on or what would happen to her.

Hickox is a nurse who had been working with Doctors Without Borders in Sierra Leone. Officials said she was taken to a hospital after developing a fever, but Hickox said she was merely flushed because she was upset by the process. Hickox remained isolated in a building adjacent to the hospital, state health department officials said Sunday.

quences, he said. "If we don't have our people who volunteer to go there, then you're going to have other countries that are not going to do it, and then the epidemic will continue to roar."

Samantha Power, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations who is on a trip to West Africa to highlight the need for increased international support to combat

Ebola, spoke of a need to ensure that returning U.S. health care workers "are treated like conquering heroes and not stigmatized for the tremendous work that they have done."

Fauci appeared on "Fox News Sunday," ABC's "This Week" and NBC's "Meet the Press." Christie was interviewed on Fox and Power spoke to NBC.



MICHAEL DUFF/AP

**A child, center, stands next to a sign reading, "Police officer quarantined home unauthorised should keep off," as a family home is placed under quarantine due to the Ebola virus in Port Loko, Sierra Leone.**

## UN ambassador visiting Ebola-hit countries

The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The United Nations ambassador to the United States is on her way to visit all three of the West African countries hit hardest by the Ebola outbreak, amid rising calls for travel restrictions back home in the U.S.

Samantha Power will visit Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea "to draw attention to the need for increased support for the international response," said a statement released late Saturday by the U.S. mission. She will be a rare high-

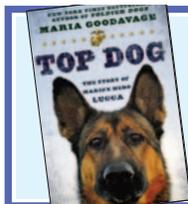
profile presence on the ground in a crisis that has struggled at times to attract donations, health workers and even celebrity advocacy.

A spokesman said Power had already departed and was set to land in the capital of Guinea, Conakry, on Sunday. Earlier Saturday, the ambassador tweeted a photo of herself with Guinea's ambassador to the United Nations.

The United Nations has repeatedly called for a greater international response to the worst-ever outbreak of the deadly disease, which has killed more than 4,900

people. The U.N. mission to counter Ebola is the first time the world body has set up such an effort in response to a public health crisis.

Power also has been vocal about the need for a stronger global response to Ebola's devastating spread. In a speech a week ago, she even praised Cuba, a country that has been under a U.S. embargo for decades, for having sent 165 doctors to Sierra Leone. "The international community isn't just losing the race to Ebola. We are getting lapped," she said in the speech.



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# 3 Calif. officers investigated in racy photos case

The Associated Press

MARTINEZ, Calif. — A California Highway Patrol officer suspected of stealing nude and racy photos from the cellphones of women arrested on drunken driving charges sent the pictures to at least two fellow officers in what he called a game, according to court documents.

Officer Sean Harrington, 35, confessed to investigators that he sent such photos at last six times over several years to colleagues in Dublin, but learned to do it while working in Los Angeles, the Contra Costa Times reported Friday.

Harrington has worked for the CHP for five years, and the newspaper reported that he is assigned to administrative duties pending the outcome of the investigation.

Contra Costa County prosecutors said they expect to announce if they will file criminal charges in the coming days. Officers Robert Hazelwood and Dion Simmons are named in an Oct. 14 search warrant affidavit, suspected of receiving the photos and exchanging banter with Harrington. Attempts by The Associated Press to reach the three men on Saturday were unsuccessful.

CHP commissioner Joe Farrow said in a statement that his agency has launched an investigation, citing a similar case several years ago involving two officers in Los Angeles.

"The allegations anger and disgust me," Farrow said. "We expect the highest level of integrity and moral strength from everyone in the California Highway Patrol."

The investigation was sparked by a San Ramon woman, 23, who was arrested Aug. 29 on suspicion of drunken driving. She had a blood alcohol content of .29, more than three times the legal limit. Court papers say she later discovered nude photos of herself had been sent from her phone to an unfamiliar number. Drunken driving charges against the woman have been dismissed in light of the investigation of Harrington, the newspaper reported.

**‘The allegations anger and disgust me.’**

**Joe Farrow**  
California Highway Patrol commissioner

The affidavit says Harrington also sent Hazelwood photos of a 19-year-old woman arrested following a suspected drunken driving crash in Livermore on Aug. 7. The photos show her wearing a bikini, and Hazelwood responded in a text asking if there were any nude photos, court papers say.

Darryl Holcombe, a senior investigator with the Contra Costa District Attorney's Office, said in the affidavit that the behavior amounts to felony computer theft. Attorney Rick Madsen, who represents the 23-year-old woman, said the officers' communications were "dehumanizing" and "horribly offensive" to his client and all women, saying, "It's going to lead to another level of mistrust and skepticism to the motive of law enforcement in general."

# US to recognize same-sex marriage in 6 more states

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The federal government is recognizing gay marriage in six more states and extending federal benefits to those couples, Attorney General Eric Holder announced Saturday.

Gay marriage recently became legal in Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, North Carolina, West Virginia and Wyoming.

The government's announcement follows the U.S. Supreme Court's decision earlier this month to decline to hear appeals from five states that sought to keep their marriage bans in place. It brings the total number of states with federal recognition of gay marriage to 32, plus Washington, D.C.

Couples married in those states will qualify for a range of federal benefits, including Social Security

retirement and veterans' benefits. "With each new state where same-sex marriages are legally recognized, our nation moves closer to achieving full equality for all Americans," Holder said.

The attorney general said the government is working "as quickly as possible" to make sure same-sex married couples in those states receive the "fullest array of benefits" that federal law allows.

The Justice Department also has determined that it can legally recognize gay marriages performed this past summer in Indiana and Wisconsin after federal courts declared marriage bans in the states unconstitutional. Subsequent developments created confusion about the status of those unions, but Holder said the U.S. government will recognize the marriages.



The damaged remains of a Ten Commandments monument are gathered on the Oklahoma State Capitol grounds Friday in Oklahoma City.

SEAN MURPHY/AP

# Monument attack suspect evaluated

The Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — A man suspected of driving a car into a Ten Commandments monument outside the Oklahoma state Capitol is under mental evaluation, according to the highway patrol. "Investigators will continue to look into the case and coordinate with the Oklahoma County District Attorney on Monday, for any possible criminal charges," according to a news release from Oklahoma Highway Patrol Capt. George Brown.

Brown did not immediately return a phone call for additional comment on Saturday.

The suspect was taken to a mental health facility in Oklahoma County, Brown said in the news release.

The U.S. Secret Service said the suspect was detained Friday after showing up at a federal building in Oklahoma City, rambling, making derogatory statements about President Barack Obama, admitting to damaging the monument and saying Satan told him to do so.

"He claimed he got out of his car, urinated on the monument and then ran over it and destroyed it," said Secret Service agent David Allison in Oklahoma City. "He said Satan told him to do it, and that he was a Satanist."

The 6-foot-tall monument was erected in 2012. The American Civil Liberties Union of Oklahoma has been suing to have it removed, arguing that it violates the Oklahoma Constitution and could be seen as a state endorse-

ment of a religion.

"We consider this an act of violence against the state of Oklahoma," said Republican state Rep. Mike Ritzke, of Broken Arrow, whose family spent nearly \$10,000 to have the monument erected.

Ryan Kiesel, the ACLU of Oklahoma's executive director, said he and his clients are "outraged" that the monument was vandalized.

"To see the Ten Commandments desecrated by vandals is highly offensive to them as people of faith," Kiesel said.

A judge ruled last month that the monument does not violate the Oklahoma Constitution, and ACLU attorneys filed an appeal with the state Supreme Court.

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NATION



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Democratic Party volunteers call prospective voters at a phone bank in Los Angeles on Oct. 20. California is one of more than 30 states in which some form of advance voting is shaping the way political campaigns must be conducted.

# Early voting has altered strategy of campaigning

By MICHAEL R. BLOOD  
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — For more than 1 million Californians, the Nov. 4 election is over. That's because they've already voted.

A growing trend of early voters in the most populous U.S. state — perhaps comprising half of all votes to be cast in California's general election — has stretched Election Day into weeks. Candidates who wait until the end to close the deal with voters will be too late.

"The election is not a one-day event anymore. It's a 30-day event," said veteran Democratic strategist Bill Carrick, who is spearheading Kennedy clan member Bobby Shriver's campaign for Los Angeles County supervisor.

The elections are just over a week away and California is one of more than 30 states in which some form of advance voting is shaping the way campaigns must be conducted. In some rural areas of the state, 8 of every 10 ballots cast could come through the mail.

The strategy-shifting dynamics caused by early voting are coming into play in states such as Florida, where Republican Gov. Rick Scott faces a tough re-election challenge from Democrat Charlie Crist, and Iowa, where Republican Senate candidate Joni Ernst hopes to defeat Democratic Rep. Bruce Braley and pick up one of the six additional seats the party needs for a majority.

Last week, first lady Michelle

Obama was in Iowa City urging college students to vote early for Braley at campus polling places.

In California, where nearly all the early voting is done by mail, the number of voters who registered as permanent absentee has been on the rise. In the state's June primary, nearly 70 percent of ballots were cast this way.

Other states focus their early voting efforts on placing polling booths in strip malls or other convenient locations weeks ahead of Election Day.

The early voting trend has been underway for years in many states, as voters seek the convenience of filling out a ballot at their kitchen table, or near where they work, shop or take classes, rather than traveling to a polling place on a particular day and waiting in line.

Almost 129 million people voted in the 2012 presidential election, 35.8 percent of them before Election Day. In the 2010 elections, when Republicans regained control of the House, roughly 3 out of 10 voters cast early ballots.

More than 4 million people mailed in ballots in 2012 in California, up from about 3 million two years earlier.

Early voting has changed the timing of campaigns. Paul Mitchell, vice president with Political Data Inc., a research powerhouse that helps campaigns identify and track voters, recalled a recent campaign that poured money into a last-minute TV ad buy. "They were advertising basically to ghosts, voters who had already voted," he said.

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NATION

# Calif. rangers work to keep bears at bay

By SCOTT SMITH  
The Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. — Rangers at Yosemite National Park are in a constant battle to keep wild black bears — with their ultra-keen noses and powerful paws and jaws — far away from humans.

For the last 16 years, park rangers have done their best to warn visitors about the perils of leaving food in their cars, which a bear can easily peel open for a quick treat. Now a bear management team has begun outfitting bears with sophisticated GPS tracking collars to better understand their movements.

Overall, reported bear encounters have plunged by 92 percent since 1998, when the park embarked on a concerted public education campaign. Despite their long-term progress, park rangers have lost ground in the battle this year.

The instances of bears raiding campgrounds and parking lots for human food are up by 35 percent from Jan. 1 to Oct. 19 compared with the same period last year — the second such increase during the state's three consecutive dry years. Officials say the heightened bear activity may be partly caused by the drought cutting the supply of berries and other natural bear food.

Ranger Scott Gediman said the recent

increase has put rangers on notice. It reminds them to remain vigilant about telling park visitors to stow away their food, toothpaste and sunscreen in a safe place, such as a bear-proof lockbox. Without easy access to human food, bears are more inclined to keep their distance, Gediman said.

"We do want people to see bears," he said. "We want people to see them in their natural environment, not breaking into cars."

Yosemite, which draws 4 million visitors a year to its trails, granite peaks and water falls, is home to about 400 black bears. Throughout California their population is at about 30,000, and they are increasingly wandering into cities, such as Bakersfield, Monterey and San Luis Obispo, said Marc Kenyon, a senior environmental scientist with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Kenyon advises residents in such communities to keep food out of reach because once bears find a source, they will return. "If you can stop that now, you're going to save yourself a lot of time and heartache in the long run," he said.

Officials in Yosemite learned that lesson the hard way.

Through the 1950s, park rangers fed bears treats to entertain visitors seated on bleachers. The incidents of destruction



YOSEMITE CONSERVANCY/AP

**A black bear eats grass in Yosemite National Park, Calif., in 2009. Keeping wild bears in the park away from humans is a constant battle for park rangers.**

peaked by the 1990s when images of bears roaming campgrounds in search of a meal made national news, prompting the current campaign, which has paid off.

In 1998, the park recorded almost 1,600 bear incidents, a figure that dropped to 120 in 2013. Yet, the number of incidents so far this year surpasses all of last year, at 154.

The cost of damaged cars, tents and

equipment also fell from about \$660,000 in 1998 to \$7,500 last year, park records show.

Rangers on occasion still relocate troublesome bears from the park's developed areas, and have to kill one or two a year that prove especially intractable, but Gediman said that figure is also down from about 10 a year at the peak.

Within the last two years, two people have died in black bear attacks in Alaska and New Jersey, but California Department of Fish and Wildlife spokesman Andrew Hughan said there are no records in Yosemite or elsewhere in California of such fatal attacks.

The park recently began fitting Yosemite's bears with modern GPS collars to learn more about their feeding, mating and general activities — and to keep track of them.

The Yosemite Conservancy, an organization that has donated \$2.1 million to bear programs over several years while supporting an array of park activities, funded the \$70,000 GPS project. So far, eight bears trapped while wandering into campgrounds have been outfitted.

The new technology replaces outdated radio collars, allowing rangers to monitor bears as they travel into the park's remote backcountry.



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WORLD

# Ukrainians are voting for new parliament

By PETER LEONARD  
AND YURAS KARMANAU  
The Associated Press

KIEV, Ukraine — Voters in Ukraine headed to the polls Sunday to elect a new parliament, overhauling a legislature tainted by its association with ousted President Viktor Yanukovich.

The election is set to usher in a contingent of largely pro-Western lawmakers. President Petro Poroshenko's party has campaigned on an ambitious reform agenda and is expected to get the largest share of the vote, but there is a strong likelihood it will need to rule in a coalition.

While around 36 million people have been registered to vote, the election will not be held on the Crimean Peninsula, which was annexed by Russia in March, or in the eastern regions where unrest is still rumbling and armed pro-Russia separatist rebels have taken firm hold.

Nongovernment watchdog Opora estimates some 2.8 million people in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions in the east — more

than half the potential 5 million voters there — will be unable to cast their ballot.

Tamara Shupa, 62, a retiree, said she hoped incoming lawmakers would put an end to the war. "We are very tired of the war," Shupa said. "To bring about change, we need peace."

The election marks a closing chapter in the reset of Yanukovich's legacy. The former leader was deposed in February after months of sometimes violent protests sparked by his snap decision to put ties with the European Union on hold in favor of deepening trade relations with Russia.

The protests, which broadened into a mass uprising fueled by rage at the pervasive corruption seen as a leading cause of the country's economic sluggishness, culminated in snipers shooting dead dozens of demonstrators.

Andrei Voitenko, 40, a teacher casting his ballot at a school in the capital, Kiev, said a new parliament would have to work toward replacing the high price paid by his fellow Ukrainians.

"We are overhauling the gov-



EPHREM LUKATSKY/AP

**Ukrainian soldiers receive their ballots in parliamentary elections in Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday as voters headed to the polls to elect a new parliament.**

ernment because Ukraine and Ukrainians have made a European choice," Voitenko said. "Now we need a new parliament to make a European future. We have drawn a line under our Soviet past."

Other parties expected to win seats in parliament include Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's Popular Front and the Father-

land party of Yulia Tymoshenko. Another strong contender is firebrand nationalist Oleh Lyashko's Radical Party, which has commanded much public attention through lavish campaign spending.

The political forces with the best prospects in the vote all broadly share a pro-Western posture and have stated their

ambition to promote the thorough reforms needed to reverse Ukraine's cataclysmic economic decline.

After voting at a polling station in Kiev, Yatsenyuk said that the time had come to "reset" parliament and government.

"This is a first tremendous and crucial step to make Ukrainian politics more clear, more transparent, more responsible and more accountable," he said.

Poroshenko visited the town of Kramatorsk, which was wrested from separatist control in July. After voting, he paid tribute to the efforts of soldiers that have been engaged in the last six months of fighting.

U.S. Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt said that he had noted enthusiastic participation in the election in Kiev and that he had received reports of strong turnout elsewhere.

Ukraine's woes have been compounded in recent months by a conflict against armed separatists on the border with Russia that has claimed the lives of more than 3,000 people.



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## WORLD

# Mullah gets 20 years for rape

The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — An Afghan court has sentenced a mullah to 20 years in prison after finding the religious teacher guilty of raping a 10-year-old girl.

The sentence, passed by a Kabul judge on Saturday, has been welcomed by family as well as women's support groups as a rare victory in their fight for justice for female victims of sex crimes. Rape is often treated as adultery in Afghanistan, and victims can face prison themselves.

Hassina Sarwari, who runs a shelter for women in northern Kunduz province, where the rape took place, said Sunday that if the trial had not been transferred to Kabul, the result would probably have been very different.

The rape took place in May in the girl's home village near the provincial capital, also called Kunduz.

"If the case would have not been transferred to Kabul, we were so worried that the mullah would have not been punished in Kunduz for his crime," said Sarwari. When she saw the girl, Bershna, for the first time in the hospital she was in a bad condition and required transfer to Kabul for additional treatment.

Kunduz police spokesman Sayed Sarwar Hussaini said his colleagues were shocked at first to hear the story but acted immediately to apprehend the mullah. "We sent a police unit to make the arrest, and we caught the mullah, Mohammad Amin, while he was trying to flee," he said.

Sarwari, who followed the case closely, said the crime occurred after the mullah chose three girls to help clean the village mosque. Two escaped when they discovered his intentions, but Bershna fell into a nearby stream while trying to flee, and Amin took her back to the mosque, where he raped her.

"The mullah threatened Bershna, saying that if she told anyone what had happened, she and her family would be killed," but the child suffered injuries that could not be hidden.

Mohammad Rasoul, Bershna's uncle who attended the trial, said the family was happy with the sentence.

"We welcome the decision by the judge as that is the maximum punishment he could be given according to our country's law," Rasoul said.



BILAL HUSSEIN/AP

**A Lebanese army soldier stands beside an armored vehicle while smoke rises from buildings that were attacked during clashes between Lebanese army forces and Islamic militants in the northern port city of Tripoli on Sunday.**

## Battle intensifies in Tripoli between Lebanese troops, Muslim militants

By **BILAL HUSSEIN**

The Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Lebanon — The Lebanese army brought tanks and commando forces into the northern city of Tripoli Sunday, where fighting with Muslim militants has intensified and spread to nearby areas.

Several tanks, armored personnel carriers and Humvees carrying commandos arrived on the edge of the Bab Tabbaneh neighborhood, where clashes were heaviest. Intense gunfire exchanges and sporadic explosions rang out across the neighborhood, the worst fighting Tripoli has seen for months.

The clashes, which broke out Friday night, have so far killed five soldiers and two civilians and wounded many others. It was not clear if there were casualties among the militants.

On Wednesday, troops killed three militants and detained a local leader in a raid in the northern Dinniyeh region, setting off the spark that led to the Tripoli fighting.

The Lebanese army said in a statement that troops attacked a school in the nearby town of Bhaninne that gunmen were using. It said several militants were wounded while others fled, adding that troops found two cars rigged with explosives as well as weapons and ammunition.

The statement said troops are deploying to Bab Tabbaneh and responding to the gunfire "of terrorists."

The State-run National News



MOHAMMED ZAATARI/AP

**During a funeral procession Sunday in the southern village of Kfar Tibnit, Lebanon, army soldiers carry the coffin of Lebanese soldier Mohammed Ali Yaseen, who was killed Saturday in the fighting.**

Agency said the troops are now in full control of Tripoli's northern suburb of Mineyh after arresting several gunmen.

Sunni militants inspired by al-Qaida and the Islamic State extremist group have killed and wounded several soldiers in a string of attacks in recent months.

The deadliest was in August, when jihadi fighters from Syria briefly overran the Lebanese border town of Aarsal, capturing some 20 policemen and soldiers and killing several others. That

attack was the most serious spill-over of the civil war in neighboring Syria since the uprising there began in March 2011.

Lebanon is bitterly divided over the war, with Sunnis supporting the Syrian rebels and Shiites siding with President Bashar Assad's government. The Shiite movement Hezbollah has sent fighters to support Assad's troops. Sunni militants in Lebanon have responded with attacks on Shiites and security forces, who they believe are secretly dominated by Hezbollah.

## Pakistan's corpse-eating case may lead to new laws

By **TIM CRAIG**

The Washington Post

As fright-seekers in the United States prepare for Halloween, lawmakers in Pakistan are working to try to prevent their country from producing the world's next real horror story.

Until now, there has been no law in Pakistan against cannibalism, a fact that has fueled persistent rumors of crazed residents roaming cemeteries and streets searching for their next meal. Thankfully, many of the tales appear to be just that — unfounded legends passed down over the decades.

But Pakistan has documented several cases of cannibalism over the years, prompting lawmakers to introduce legislation last week to try to curb the problem.

One bill in the National Assembly clarifies that anyone who exhumes a corpse with "intent to cook, eat, sell or to use for magic purposes" will face a mandatory jail sentence of between 10 years and life behind bars. A second bill would make eating human flesh punishable by at least seven years in jail.

The legislation is in response to a particularly grotesque case in Pakistan's eastern Punjab province in 2011.

That year, police received a call from a man who reported that his sister's grave had been dug up in a local cemetery. The ensuing investigation took police to the home of two brothers. When police arrived at their house, they found the men cooking the 24-year-old cancer victim's limbs into a stew.

"They had chopped off one of her legs below the knee, and the other one near the shin," a local police official told BBC in an interview.

The brothers were promptly arrested, and they confessed to unearthing and eating a total of five corpses from the cemetery.

Because Pakistan lacked a stringent cannibalism law, they could be charged only with disturbing a gravesite. They were sentenced to two years in prison and released in 2013 despite angry protests from villagers.

Earlier this year, police were called back to the brothers' residence after neighbors reported a nasty smell. When they arrived, police discovered the severed skull of an oddler.

One of the brothers reportedly confessed to using the corpse to make curry.

The two brothers were again arrested, but this time charged under the country's anti-terrorism statute.

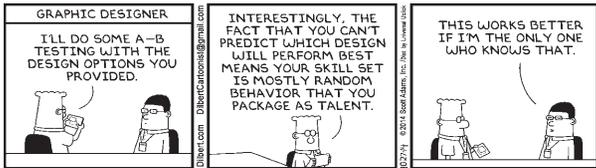
In a case, both received 12-year prison sentences.

Nikhat Shakeel Khan, a chief sponsor of one of the bills and also a medical doctor, said the legislation would help to reduce the frequent complaints she receives about gravesites in Pakistan being raided or unearthed.

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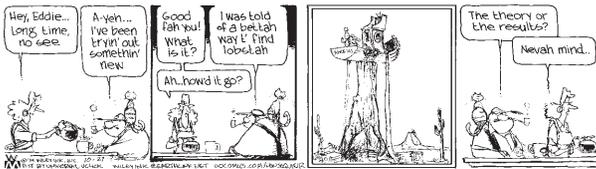
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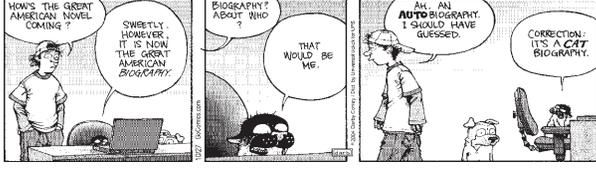
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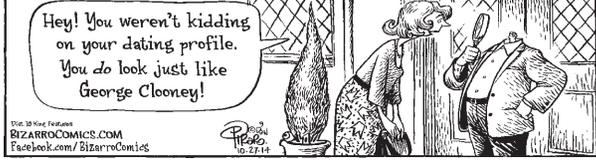
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# SCIENCE AND MEDICINE



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# WONDROUS WEB

## Scientists probe the remarkable potential of spider silk

By **TATSUYA KIMURA**  
*The (Tokyo) Yomiuri Shimbun*

**A** soft, thin yet strong material is garnering attention worldwide as something of a dream in the 21st century: spider silk.

Shigeyoshi Osaki, of Nara Medical University, says spider silk "has a 400 million year-long history in evolution. It is mystic and has profound implications."

Osaki, 67, has studied spider silk for more than 35 years. He even produced a set of violin strings made of about 15,000 strands of natural spider silk. The professor wrote in a respected science journal that unlike ordinary violin strings, those made of spider silk can produce richer sounds with more depth — much to the surprise of professional musicians.

Mass-producing spider silk strings is a challenge because spiders tend to eat each other if they are kept together. A team of researchers led by Yoshihiko Kuwana, of the National Institute of Agrobiological Sciences in Tsukuba, Ibaraki prefecture, Japan, found a way around that problem by implanting certain spider genes into the genes of silkworms.

Spider-infused silk produced by the genetically modified silkworms contains a protein that forms spider silk. Even though the protein accounts for only 0.4 percent to 0.6 percent of total weight, the researchers say the genetically modified silk is 1.5 times stronger than ordinary silk.

"Silkworms can be bred in large numbers," Kuwana said. "Spider-infused silk fibers can also be machine-processed for production."

There are theories that the silk strength could be boosted further if the percentage of

spider protein is raised. If realized, the researchers say, the new material will have a wide variety of applications including clothing and surgical suture threads.

Spiber Inc., a start-up company based in Tsuruoka, Yamagata prefecture, Japan, which came about from a project at Keio University, aims to use microbes to mass-produce proteins that form spider silk.

Implanting genes into microbes so they produce various kinds of proteins is easily done. The project's success could give way to spider silk threads with custom levels of strength and colors. The company is currently searching for the best genetic sequence to implant into microbes.

"We hope to release our products made of spider silk fibers onto the market within several years," said Kazuhide Sekiyama, 31, who established Spiber in 2007.

### Features of spider silk thread

- Soft but about 20 times as strong as steel.
- Can endure temperatures of between 250° C and 300° C.
- Has high resistance to ultraviolet rays; ordinary silk quickly droops.
- More elastic than ordinary silk.

### Implanting spider genes into silkworm genes



Implant specific genes for producing spider silk into silkworm genes.

Silk thread is being spooled from cocoons made by genetically modified silkworms. Vest and scarf, rear, made of the new material.

Courtesy of the National Institute of Agrobiological Sciences

### Start-up company launched by Keio University

Spider silk genes modified and implanted into microbes to produce protein needed to artificially create spider silk; thread produced with protein.

Dress created from artificially made spider silk.



Courtesy of Spiber Inc.

### Violin strings



Photos courtesy of Professor Shigeyoshi Osaki  
Collecting fibers from spiders.



Violin with strings made of spider silk.

# AMERICAN ROUNDUP

## Disney to take down 'Sorcerer's Hat' display

**FL** LAKE BUENA VISTA, — The sorcerer's hat is coming down at Disney's Hollywood Studios in Central Florida. Disney officials said the giant Blue sorcerer's hat display will be replaced in 2015.

The hat greeted fans who entered the park and was inspired by a story in the classic 1940 Disney film "Fantasia," in which sorcerer apprentice Mickey Mouse steals the hat and disaster ensues.

Disney unveiled the hat in 2001 as the icon for the park in honor of the 100th anniversary of Walt Disney's birthday. The park was formerly known as Disney-MGM Studios and is the third of four Disney theme parks located in the Disney-controlled municipality of Bay Lake.

Disney has yet to say what will replace the hat.

## Drive set to oust judge in gay marriage case

**KS** LOUISBURG — The husband of a state senator from northeast Kansas has begun a campaign to oust a trial judge who ordered a court clerk to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

The Kansas City Star reported Brian Baumgardner is targeting Johnson County Chief District Judge Kevin Moriarty.

Moriarty faces a retention vote Nov. 4 in the 10th Judicial Circuit, which is made up of Johnson County. Baumgardner — husband of Republican state Sen. Molly Baumgardner — lives in neighboring Miami County but told The Star on Friday that "a bad judge harms everybody."

Moriarty issued his order Oct. 8 after the U.S. Supreme Court let stand lower-court rulings striking down bans on gay marriage as unconstitutional. The Kansas Supreme Court has halted the issuance of any licenses pending a hearing scheduled Nov. 6.

## Man sentenced for selling bogus shirts

**SD** SIOUX FALLS — A New York man accused of selling counterfeit T-shirts at the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally has been sentenced to a year and a day in prison.

Samuel Ascolese, 45, was charged in federal court with trafficking in counterfeit goods or services. The charge stemmed from the 2013 rally.

Ascolese owns Custom Tattoo Apparel. Authorities said he knowingly sold the bogus shirts that included trademark holders such as Honda, Acura, Jack Daniels and Monster Energy.

Defense attorney Nico Tinari told The Associated Press that his client has accepted responsibility and agreed to pay back more than \$72,000 in proceeds as part of a negotiated settlement.

Tinari said Ascolese ran a legitimate business for many years and calls this case "a total aberration."



CURT HABRANK, THE (SEVIER COUNTY, TENN.) MOUNTAIN PRESS/AP

## Hog wild for a kiss

Sevierville Primary School resource officer Leia Loveday puckers up for a pig as a reward for students who raised funds for the school in Sevierville, Tenn., on Thursday.

## Sheriff: 3 pose as police in home invasion

**AZ** TUCSON — Pima County authorities have arrested two outstanding suspects accused of posing as police officers to gain entry into a Tucson-area home to conduct a home invasion robbery.

The Sheriff's Department said Friday that Jennifer Ortiz, 22, and Javier Cordova, 23, were booked on multiple charges.

They each face two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly or dangerous weapon, burglary, impersonating a peace officer and attempted armed robbery.

They and Alberto Herrera, 29, allegedly entered the home Thursday night dressed as police and demanded money and drugs. The two men and two residents began fighting, and the residents were able to detain Herrera. The other two intruders left in a dark brown SUV.

## Pot brownies spell trouble for 7th-grader

**CA** FRESNO — Police in Fresno said a 12-year-old boy sold marijuana brownies to a seventh-grade classmate, who passed out in a dentist's chair after eating them.

Police told the Fresno Bee the boy said he got the drugs from his

brother and sold two of them to his classmate at Sequoia Middle School on Wednesday for \$5 each to make some extra cash.

The buyer was in the dentist's chair when he lost consciousness. A trip to the hospital revealed he was under the influence of marijuana.

Police Lt. Joe Gomez said the 12-year-old was booked. Investigators planned to ask the older brother how the boy got the marijuana brownies.

## Baby-sitting duty keeps police chief from forum

**LA** SORRENTO — New Sorrento Police Chief Fern Barnett could not attend the Town Council's last public forum before a Nov. 4 referendum that could eliminate her department, because she was busy baby-sitting.

The Advocate reported Mayor Mike Lambert read a typed letter Tuesday night from Barnett, who apologized for not making the meeting. Barnett said in the letter she was already committed to baby-sit for her granddaughter.

Lambert said Barnett, who became the town's police chief after two other candidates dropped out of the Nov. 4 election for the position, was sworn into office Tuesday.

Barnett will complete the unfinished term of former Police

Chief Earl Theriot Jr. That could change, however, if town residents vote to abolish the police department and the position of police chief on Nov. 4.

## Burglary suspects heard confessing on 911

**NM** ROSWELL — Authorities said three people accused of burglarizing a Roswell home were caught after unknowingly confessing all to 911.

KRQE-TV reported Friday that police located the suspects last month based on what an emergency dispatcher heard.

Investigators said Aaron Burrell, 37, somehow pocket dialed 911.

In the audio, which lasted 45 minutes, one suspect describes where the burglary happened and how they eluded police. The suspects can also be heard listening to the Bon Jovi song, "Wanted Dead or Alive."

Roswell police spokesman Todd Wildermuth said an officer was sent to the address heard on the call and found the home had been burglarized.

Police arrested Burrell, Marvin Myers, 30, and Yvonne Thyberg, 35.

Burrell and Thyberg are currently being held in jail but charges against Myers were dropped.

From wire reports

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The weight in pounds of a gold nugget that sold one day after its unveiling at the San Francisco Fall Antiques Show last week. The Butte Nugget, one of the biggest gold nuggets found in modern times in Northern California's historic Gold Country, sold to a "prominent Bay area collector," according to Tiburon, the company brokering the deal. The price was undisclosed but a company spokesman said, "We were asking for \$400,000 and it obviously wasn't far from that." What is known is that the nugget was found in July by a gold hunter on public land in the Butte County mountains. The hunter also has asked to remain anonymous.

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Actress Juliette Binoche stars as a war photographer and wife and mother in the movie "1,000 Times Good Night."

## Binoche explores the risks, passion of war photography

By JOCELYN NOVECK  
The Associated Press

Actress Juliette Binoche has long been fascinated by war photography, she says, and wonders about the people who risk their lives to capture such photos. Who are they, and what are they like?

She got a crash course when preparing for her new movie, "1,000 Times Good Night," in which she plays a photojournalist and mother whose personal risks wreak havoc on her family.

Known for her intensive preparation for films, Binoche interviewed war photojournalists to get a sense of what drives them. "The passion they have for their work can become an obsession," she says. "You want to have a family, and yet you can't live without your passion. How is it possible to live with both?"

Norwegian director Erik Poppe says he based the film on his own experiences as a photojournalist. But he decided to make the central character a woman, he says, because he felt it would intensify the sense of conflict between one's profession and one's family. Binoche's character, Re-

becca, has a husband and two daughters, all of whom suffer in various ways from what she sees through her lens.

It's not lost on either the director or his leading lady that this is a particularly apt time to focus on the dangers of being a war journalist, with the recent beheadings of journalists in Syria at the hands of Islamic State militants and other deaths in the past few years. "It's going to be harder and harder for people to do this work," Poppe notes.

The film begins in Afghanistan, where Rebecca is documenting the last hours of a Taliban suicide bomber — in this case, a woman. No male photographer would be allowed to see such intimate preparations as the dressing of the bomber, ending with the fitting of her suicide vest.

But Rebecca wants even better photos, so she asks to ride in the bomber's car into Kabul. Exiting the car, she snaps yet a few more, and in doing so, inadvertently attracts the attention of the police. The ensuing struggle results in the premature detonation of the bomb. Rebecca is seriously wounded, but is luckier than the civilians nearby who are killed.

"We talked about that scene a lot,"

Binoche says. "Rebecca tries to warn people nearby — but yet, she pushes it. It's always this question of how far can you go as a human being. Why didn't she say to the police, 'It's a suicide bomber.' It's hard. You're working with your instinct, trying to cause as little harm as possible and yet getting information to the world."

Poppe notes that the film tries not to judge Rebecca. "It's not black and white," he says. "She's trying to tell a story. The fact is they were going out to kill people, maybe many more. But a situation like this can break you apart."

Indeed, when Rebecca arrives home to recuperate, she is broken and wracked with guilt. She promises that she'll stop. But when an opportunity arises again, this time in Africa, her photographer's instincts kick in yet again, with still more harrowing results for her family.

The ending, which brings her back to Afghanistan where she began, isn't totally clear. "It's not really about the answer, it's about the questioning," Binoche says. "Definitely she cannot carry on the way she did, because it went really too far. But what I love about art is that it's not for answering, it's for raising questions."

## Shakira to release toys with Fisher-Price

Shakira is partnering with Fisher-Price to launch a line of baby toys as well as a Web series for moms.

The Mattel, Inc.-owned company announced Oct. 24 that the First Steps collection of toys and baby gear would be available in November. Shakira co-developed six products, including a bouncing chair that plays music, alphabet blocks and a musical soccer ball, an ode to her soccer-playing boyfriend Gerard Pique, who plays for FC Barcelona.

All of the proceeds will benefit her Barefoot Foundation, which provides education and nutrition to children in impoverished areas of her native Colombia.

Geoff Walker, executive vice president of the Fisher-Price Global Brands Team, said in an interview Oct. 23 that Shakira contacted the company about collaborating. The Grammy-winning singer, who is pregnant and is the mother of 21-month-old Milan, is the first celebrity Fisher-Price has partnered with.

"She brings in both authenticity and emotion, and I think that's why this is such an exciting moment," Walker said.

## Date set for James Corden to take over 'Late Late Show'

CBS has set March 9 for the debut of James Corden as host of "The Late Late Show."

Corden, a British star, is replacing Craig Ferguson, the Scottish comedian who exits Dec. 18 after a decade. The show will continue to originate from Los Angeles. Corden, 36, won a Tony Award in 2012 for his role in the play "One Man, Two Guvnors" and appeared in the recent film "Begin Again." He hosts a sports-oriented game show in Britain, and also acts in and writes the BBC series "The Wrong Mans."

His arrival is part of CBS's late-night overhaul, which also next year will see longtime host David Letterman depart "Late Show" (which airs an hour earlier), to be replaced by Stephen Colbert.

## Other news

■ The TLC network says it is canceling "Here Comes Honey Boo Boo," its colorful series about a young beauty pageant contestant and her family. TLC would not explain why the series was being shelved. But this week TMZ reported that the girl's mother, June Shannon, was in a relationship with a man who was convicted of child molestation.

■ A judge says Chris Brown has been doing well and following his probation rules since his last hearing in August. The appeared in a Los Angeles court Oct. 23 for a progress report. Judge James Brandin told Brown he's shown good cooperation with the probation department.

From The Associated Press

## Halle Berry: Underneath, most women love underwear

By FRAZIER MOORE  
The Associated Press

What's in a bra? Femininity, sexiness and self-empowerment, says Halle Berry, who is launching a lingerie line she says will do it all.

The Oscar-winning actress is reviving Scandale, a lingerie label born in France in 1932.

"We've taken this brand and revamped it," Berry said in an interview Oct. 23. "But we've kept all the qualities of the Parisian

sort of style intact."

The collection of 10 bras and panties will be sold by Target, and while "rich with history and heritage," will boast "a very good price," said Berry, who, beneath her lacy dress displayed a black Illusion demi bra (less than \$20).

Berry is an owner of the Scandale Paris line and said she plays a hands-on role in design, declaring, "I think I have a pulse on what American women want."

She agreed that, for guys, the choice of undergarments is large-

ly a question of boxers or briefs. "But most women know that what you put under your clothes is the first step in making yourself feel good about yourself."

Berry, who won a Best Actress Academy Award for the 2001 drama "Monster's Ball," came to television last summer in the sci-fi series "Extant." For this film veteran, series TV, with its faster-than-film pace and longer-than-film hours, was "a rude awakening," she confessed.

But now she's braced to resume

production for next season in February.

Despite the excitement her entry into series TV ignited, reviews for "Extant" were mixed and ratings less than spectacular.

"That was disappointing, you might say," she admitted, "but at least we got picked up. I think we learned a lot from the first season."

She noted that many series take time to break through into long-running hits. "I hope that will be our case," she said.



FRAZIER MOORE/AP

Actress Halle Berry is an owner of the Scandale Paris line, which has a collection of 10 bras and panties to be sold by Target.



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OPINION

Turkey complicated but necessary ally

By ARTHUR I. CYR

**T**urkey has announced a major shift in policy, in a direction strongly desired — and strongly pressed — by the United States and our allies in the war against the Islamic State group. The government in Ankara has agreed to allow Kurd forces from Iraq to cross Turkey's borders to battle Islamic State terrorists in Syria.

This is of immediate importance in helping to deal with the besetted states and our allies close to Turkey, but has wider strategic implications and consequences. Historically, the Turkish Kurd population has been characterized by strong separatist elements. Concern about regional instability related to the Kurds is one reason Turkey opposed the U.S. invasion of Iraq in 2003.

For more than a decade, the Islamist Justice and Development Party, or AKP, an Islam-based religious party, has governed Turkey. That has complicated relations with the U.S. and with other nations. However, despite strains, our alliance with Turkey has essentially survived.

Many outside observers, especially in Europe and the U.S., focus on signs of Islamic extremism in Turkey. Terrorist efforts in Europe since 9/11 have achieved decidedly mixed results but strongly reinforce such anxiety.

Turkey's relative isolation within Europe adds to the concern. The European

Union has turned the nation's application for membership into an ordeal. No doubt concern about Islamic extremism contributes to caution.

In fact, Turkish developments in important respects have been reassuring. The people remain committed to representative government. To date, terrorist acts in the country have boomeranged, with considerable hostility toward perpetrators of the criminal acts.

There is anxiety about domestic military intervention, but the AKP has operated carefully to avoid takeover by the generals. To be sure, tensions and some serious controversies have arisen between leaders of the military and the government, but so far coexistence has continued. There has been no repeat of the military takeovers of earlier periods.

Since the successful revolution in the 1920s led by Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, Turkey has been constitutionally strictly secular. The army serves as watchdog to keep religion at bay. Four times in the past half century, the generals have acted. At times, military intervention has been bloody.

Turkey's geostrategic importance should be overriding for policymakers in the U.S. and other nations. Turkey commands sea and land routes, including the Strait of Bosphorus, for shipping oil, gas and other important commodities. Governments in Ankara have in the past worked effectively

with Israel, and current strains combine with some hopeful developments.

Ankara-Washington cooperation is strongly rooted. Turkey has been actively engaged in Afghanistan, including major military command responsibilities. During the first Persian Gulf War, U.S. B-52 bombers were deployed on Turkish soil, a potentially risky move by Ankara. Turkey played a vital Allied role during the Korean War; the U.N. military cemetery at Busan contains a large number of Turkish graves.

Germany and Turkey traditionally are military allies. Encouraging that partnership in today's more stable world makes sense. Germany's influence steadily grows in not only Europe but also Russia and Central Asia.

Turkey has actively participated in multinational diplomatic initiatives to end the Syrian civil war. Syrian refugees streaming into Turkey have provided a major challenge, overall handled humanely by Ankara. Simultaneously, the current government's ties with Iran cause concern.

The Obama administration has tried to rebuild frayed relations with Turkey. Bilateral efforts should continue, with wider strategic considerations reaching beyond the war with the Islamic State in mind.

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Don't let Egypt's repression go unchallenged

By THOMAS CAROTHERS

**I**t is an unusually mild day in Cairo for late September, but the young man perspires throughout our interview.

He recounts the nightmares that continue months after he was released from prison, where he was detained for more than a month on unfounded accusations of illegally participating in a demonstration. Later that afternoon, arriving at the offices of a human rights organization, I trade glances with a tuggish man planted at a desk near the door to look over everyone who comes and goes. Inside, staff members describe in haunting terms the pressures they feel from heightened government surveillance and threats. That evening at a diplomatic dinner, a human rights activist renowned for his integrity tells me about an upcoming trip outside the country. Then he leans close and whispers: "I'm not coming back. It's been made clear to me I have no choice."

As one further step in his repressive centralization of power, Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi is squeezing the life out of his country's nongovernmental sector. Incidences of harassment, intimidation and repression of civic activists are sharply increasing. Last month the government amended the criminal code to mandate life imprisonment for anyone who receives funds from foreign entities for what capricious legal authorities determine is the aim of "harming Egypt's security and national interests."

The government's repression set on a deadline of Nov. 10 for making nongovernmental organizations register under a law from the Hosni Mubarak era that gives the government invasive powers toward such organizations. Civic groups face the ago-

nizing choice between submitting to government control or risking jail terms for failing to comply.

It is understandable tempting for U.S. and European officials to view the crackdown on civil society as something unfortunate but not worth really troubling about. Accepting it with only a token fuss might seem like a small price to pay for maintaining cordial relations with a stable, relatively friendly government in a region riddled by instability and conflict. That would be a serious mistake.

To start with, doing so would prompt questions about our own credibility. At the United Nations last year and again in New York last month, President Barack Obama correctly identified growing attacks around the world on independent civil societies as a major threat to global democracy. Egypt as a crucial test of whether his administration will uphold the commitment he has made to resisting this trend.

But it is also a matter of hard interests. If we genuinely prize Egyptian stability — something in notably sharp supply for some time — we should take seriously the unfolding crackdown on nongovernmental organizations and fortify our support for Egyptian civil society. That should include strongly urging the government to follow legal common sense by not making thousands of NGOs conform to an outdated law that the government itself has said will be replaced next year.

The Egyptian president will avoid the fate of his two predecessors — mass popular protests that end in regime change — only if he transforms a crushingly inefficient, patronage-ridden state into one capable of meeting Egyptians' long-neglected needs. Yet such a transformation

can occur only through the establishment of a vibrant, open relationship of accountability between citizens and the state.

Especially in the absence of a marriage (which was disbanded in 2012 and 2013) and effective opposition parties, Egypt's nongovernmental sector is the best source of technocratic expertise on the many challenges facing the country and has unique capabilities to monitor reforms and channel citizen input. Although el-Sissi may think that, by stifling independent voices, he is securing his grip, in fact he is ensuring the perpetuation of the bad-governance patterns that likely will spell his eventual political failure.

Similar shortsightedness exists in the security domain as well. U.S. policymakers are inclined to support el-Sissi's rule because they see him as a partner in the larger regional struggle against Islamic radicalism. Yet his scorched-earth approach to Egypt's political Islamists both undercuts those who are trying to forge a moderate Islamic alternative and plants seeds of dangerous radicalism among alienated young Egyptians.

U.S. policy toward Egypt has suffered for many years from our persistent underestimation of the negative impact that undemocratic Egyptian politics have on our interests there. The asphyxiation of the Egyptian nongovernmental sector should push us finally to build a policy toward the country based on an understanding of the essential relationship between the Egyptian quest for political openness and the achievement of prosperity and true stability.

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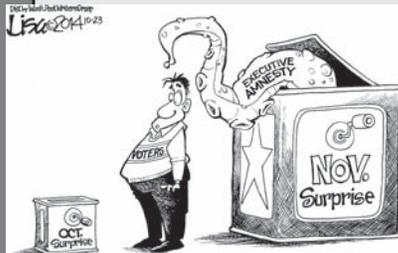
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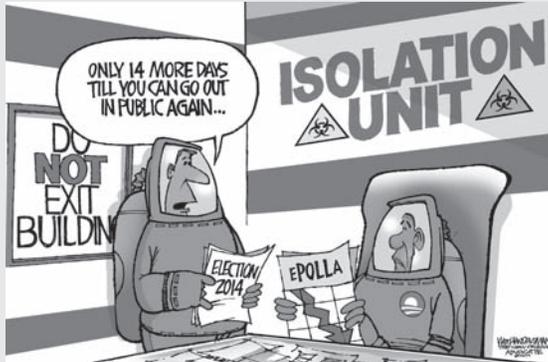
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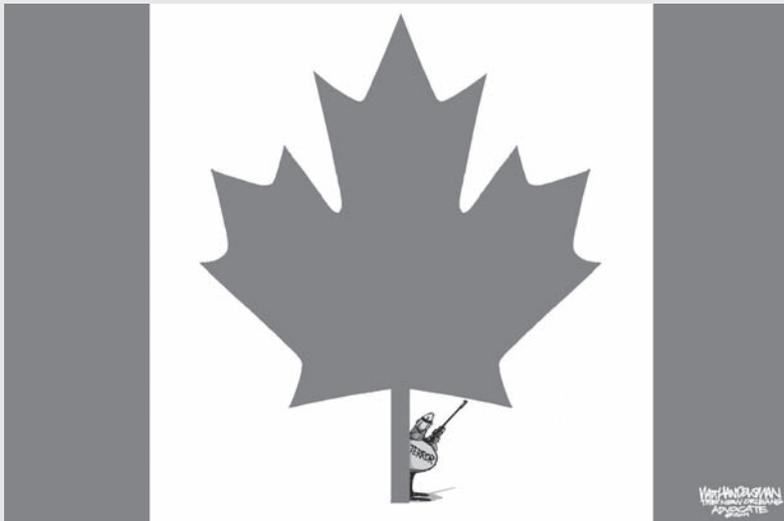
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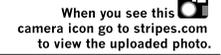
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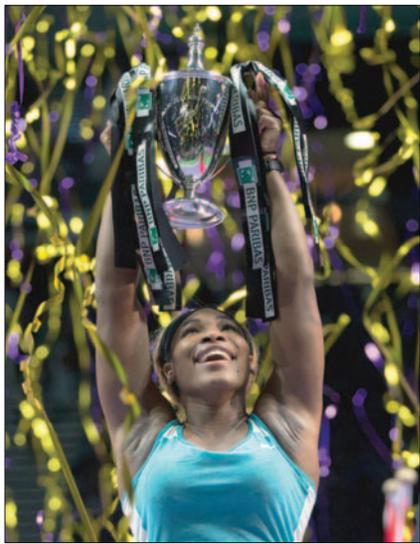
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# SPORTS BRIEFS/COLLEGE FOOTBALL



MARK BAKER/AP

Serena Williams holds her trophy aloft after defeating Romania's Simona Halep in the WTA singles final in Singapore on Saturday.

## Briefly

# Williams tops Halep to win WTA Finals

The Associated Press

SINGAPORE — The lead-up to Sunday's championship match at the WTA Finals suggested Serena Williams would face a major challenge to beat Simona Halep, but then, the No. 1-ranked player has made a career out of performing at her best when it matters most.

She did it again in Singapore, dispatching Halep 6-3, 6-0 just four days after a group-stage game between the pair in which the Romanian player dropped only two games and handed Williams her heaviest defeat for 16 years.

Coming into the tournament after having to withdraw from the China Open and Wuhan Open with illness and a knee injury, and just a day after a grueling three-set classic against Caroline Wozniacki, there was plenty of reasons to believe the 33-year-old could be vulnerable.

The doubts, though, were quickly swept aside as Williams overpowered her opponent in an imperious performance.

She won 11 of the last 12 games in the match to join Martina Navratilova and Steffi Graf as the only players to have won five titles in the season-ending championships.

"I just started training, because I had such a bad knee in Beijing I didn't know if I'd be able to play here, and now I have won the Billie-Jean King trophy — I am so excited," Williams said.

## Fan dies in stands at LSU's Tiger Stadium

BATON ROUGE, La. — LSU officials say a man has died of a heart attack at Tiger Stadium during the school's 10-7 victory over Mississippi on Saturday night.

Officials said emergency medical personnel responded, but were unable to resuscitate the man.

The man was sitting in the lower bowl of the south end zone when the health emergency happened.

Officials have not released the man's identity.

In other college football news:

Michigan coach Brady Hoke has apologized to Michigan State for Wolverines players planting a tent stake in the field at Spartan Stadium before Saturday's game.

"As the leader of our football program, I take full responsibility for the actions of our team," Hoke said.

## UNC's Williams: 'Very sad' after fraud report

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — North Carolina coach Roy Williams says it's a "very sad time" at the school after an investigation found widespread academic fraud and adds that his basketball program "thought we were doing the right thing."

Williams says he was "dumb-founded" by the details in the report and says the school "made some mistakes for a long time."

# No. 24 LSU stuns Ole Miss

## RB Fournette, Tigers run over typically stout Mississippi 'D'

By BRETT MARTEL  
The Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — Leonard Fournette burst across the line of scrimmage and plowed violently into desperate Mississippi defenders, going down only after his facemask was partially ripped from his helmet.

The run by the powerful freshman capped a stunning performance against a defense that had been exceeding hard to run on this season, and set up Anthony Jennings' touchdown pass to tight end Logan Stokes.

Fournette finished with 113 yards, and safety Ronald Martin's interception of Bo Wallace's pass on the LSU 1 with 2 seconds left sealed No. 24 LSU's 10-7 victory over third-ranked Ole Miss on Saturday night.

"This team wanted to make this night special and they did," said LSU coach Les Miles, who led the Tigers (7-2, 3-2) out of the tunnel less than 24 hours after his 91-year-old mother, Martha, died.

In addition, the youngest of Miles' two sons, Ben, was hospitalized Friday night for a high school football injury, reportedly a broken leg.

"The concern that I had would be condolences and an outpouring of emotions, and caring for each other could not exactly be what you want to play a very violent, physical and competitive game," added Miles, who received the game ball from his team. "After the game I can't tell you the number of young men that threw their arms around me and told me, 'Love you coach.' It is as touching as anything I have had happen."

LSU finished with 264 yards rushing against a defense that came in allowing 97.1 per game.

Kenny Hilliard carried six times for 47 yards on LSU's decisive drive, including a 16-yard gain in which he used his free hand to throw 6-foot-5, 243-pound defensive end Carlos Thompson down along the LSU sideline. Fournette added four carries for 35 yards, including a 22-yarder to the Mississippi 13.

"The coaching staff said they are going to put the ball in the running backs' hands," Fournette said. "It was our duty and our job to make it happen. They gave Kenny the ball and he did the job. They gave it to me and it was the end of the story."

Not quite. Ole Miss drove into game-tying field goal range in the final seconds, only to come up short.

Ole Miss (7-1, 4-1 Southeastern Conference) was lining up for a 42-yard kick, but was called for delay of game. The field goal unit lined up again for a 47-yarder with 9 seconds left when LSU coach Les Miles called time. That's when the Rebels decided



THOMAS GRANING, THE DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN/AP

Mississippi linebacker Serderius Bryant (14) tackles LSU running back Leonard Fournette by the face mask during the second half of Saturday's game in Baton Rouge, La. The Tigers won 10-7.

to run a play instead and Wallace threw his first interception in a Southeastern Conference game this season.

Coach Hugh Freeze said he called for a safer throw to the sideline to set up a possible tying field goal.

"I thought we were plenty clear we were either going to take the flat throw or throw it out of bounds, and then try the field goal," Freeze said. "He must have felt like he had a shot at the touchdown play there. ... I wish I could do that over, for sure."

Soon after, a sizeable portion of the record-tying Tiger Stadium crowd of 102,321 streamed onto the field, celebrating around — but not dismantling — the well-guarded goal posts.

Mississippi led most of the

way, but mainly because LSU turned the ball over four times and missed a short field goal. The Rebels can still win the SEC West by winning out, though that would require beating No. 5 Auburn and No. 1 Mississippi State.

"This league is brutal," Freeze said, adding the LSU has "the best offensive line we've played and the running backs are very, very good. And, defensively, they're coming into their own."

The Tigers largely stifled the Rebels' offense, which was averaging 35.4 points.

Wallace was 14 of 33 for 176 yards, including his 15-yard touchdown to Cody Core late in the first quarter. Wallace, who was sacked twice, still scrambled for 40 net yards, and led Ole Miss in rushing.

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# COLLEGE FOOTBALL

## Scoreboard

### Saturday's scores

**EAST**  
 Albany (NY) 24, Colgate 17  
 Cornell 17, Kings College 17, OT  
 Alfred 14, Frostburg St. 3  
 Middle Tennessee 27, LIU Post 24  
 Amherst 30, Tufts 3  
 Bates 24, Colby 28, OT  
 Bentley 31, Pace 0  
 Bloomsburg 11, West Chester 10  
 Colgate 24, Mass. 17, Westfield St. 23  
 Brockport 17, Hartwick 12  
 Cornell 17, Cornell 17  
 Bryant 42, Robert Morris 3  
 Georgetown 27, Georgetown 27  
 California (Pa.) 43, Clarion 3  
 Cent. Michigan 20, Buffalo 14  
 Cortland 22, Charleston (WV) 20  
 Cortland 21, Keen 14  
 Williams 21, Columbia 7  
 DePauw 59, Allegheny 7  
 Eastern Michigan 48, Middlebroock 7  
 Duquesne 48, Alderson-Broaddus 7  
 Endicott 14, Coast Guard 13  
 Fairleigh Dickinson 25, UMass 19  
 Fordham 48, Lehigh 27  
 Furman 24, Virginia Tech 10  
 Franklin & Marshall 42, Moravian 12  
 Georgia Tech 56, Pittsburgh 16  
 Geneva 20, Bethany (WV) 14  
 Georgia Tech 56, Pittsburgh 16  
 Greenville St., Notre Dame Coll. 38  
 Harvard 49, Princeton 7  
 Hobart 39, 9  
 Holy Cross 24, Lafayette 14  
 Henson 17, Castleton 26  
 Ithaca 32, Salisbury 7  
 Jacksonville State 52, Middleburg 16  
 Lebanon Valley 46, Wilkes 0  
 Kean 14, West Virginia 16  
 Lake Forest 17, Millersville 10  
 Maine 20, New England 14  
 Maine 20, Rhode Island 14  
 Mass. Maritime 62, Nichols 43  
 Marist 27, Campbell 20  
 Mass. Maritime 62, Mass. Dartmouth 41  
 Middlebury 27, Trinity (Conn.) 7  
 Montclair St. 20, Rowan 16  
 New Hampshire 24, UConn 10  
 NY Maritime 13, Becker 6  
 Ohio St. 51, San Jose St. 10  
 New Hampshire 28, Stony Brook 20  
 New York 24, Merrimack 20  
 Norwich 28, Anna Maria 24  
 Penn St. 24, Penn St. 20, OT  
 S. Connecticut 17, Stonehill 14  
 Shippensburg 34, Cheyney 13  
 Salisbury 27, Indiana (Pa.) 21  
 St. Francis (Pa.) 30, Sacred Heart 27  
 St. Francis 21, Springfield 17  
 St. Vincent 38, Carnegie-Mellon 31  
 SUNY 16, Rochester 14  
 Ursinus 44, Susquehanna 14  
 Utica 31, Buffalo St. 21  
 Villanova 48, Morgan St. 28  
 Virginia-Wis. 16, W. Virginia St. 13  
 W.P.A. Merchant Marine 23, OT  
 Wagner 20, CCSU 10  
 Washington & Jefferson 34, Case Reserve 24  
 Waynesburg 35, Thiel 32  
 William (Conn.) 35, Bowdoin 0  
 Widener 34, Lycoming 17  
 William Paterson 21, College of N.J. 0  
 Williams 21, Hamilton 14  
 Worcester St. 52, W. Connecticut 49  
 Yale 43, Penn 21

**SOUTH**  
 Alabama 34, Tennessee 20  
 Alabama A&M 37, Alabama St. 36  
 Albany St. (Ga.) 34, Clark Atlanta 12  
 Auburn 42, South Carolina 28  
 Benedict 33, Morehouse 15  
 Birmingham-Southern 23, Berry 17  
 Boston College 23, Wake Forest 17  
 Bowie St. 20, Virginia Union 17  
 Bridgewater (Va.) 24, Wash. & Lee 13  
 Carson-Newman 35, North Greenville 34  
 Catawba 42, Brown 37  
 Centre 47, Rhodes 25  
 Charleston 38, Mercer 47  
 Christopher Newport 45, Greensboro 31  
 Falcenberg 38, York 34  
 Coastal Carolina 43, Charleston Southern 28  
 Cumberland (Tenn.) 27, Campbellville 17  
 Delta St. 45, West Alabama 24  
 Dickinson 33, McDaniel 28  
 Florida 33, SE Kentucky 21  
 Edgewood 47, Apprentice 21  
 Elizabeth 35, 48, Howard 33  
 Emory & Henry 62, Catholic 29  
 Faulkner 27, Bethel (Tenn.) 7  
 Ferris State 49, St. Augustine's 14  
 Ferrum 26, Averett 14  
 Florida Tech 44, Mississippi College 9  
 Fort Valley St. 23, Paine 10  
 Georgetown (Ky.) 37, Pikeville 26  
 Georgia Southern 69, Georgia St. 31  
 Guilford 28, Randolph-Macon 6  
 Hampton University 69, Shenandoah 27  
 Hampton 23, Delaware St. 40  
 Jacksonville 51, Westminster 40  
 Jacksonville St. 49, Tennessee Tech 3  
 Jacksonville State 48, Marietta 40  
 Kentucky Christian 39, Union (Ky.) 32  
 LSU 10, Mississippi 10  
 Louisiana 24, Huntington 17

Liberty 34, Gardner-Webb 0  
 Lincoln (Pa.) 49, Virginia St. 14  
 Lincoln Wilson 31, Belhaven 14  
 Louisiana Tech 31, Southern Miss. 20  
 Morris Hill 45, Lincoln-Shyne 17  
 Marshall 35, FAU 16  
 N.C. Central 42, N. Carolina 39, OT  
 Miles St. Lane 0  
 Mississippi 38, Sewanee 20  
 Mississippi St. 45, Kentucky 31  
 Morehead St. 48, Valparaiso 47  
 Morris Hill 45, Lincoln-Shyne 17  
 Mount Ida 10, Gallaudet 6  
 N.C. 86, Kentucky Wesleyan 29  
 N.C. A&T 40, Florida A&M 21  
 N.C. Central 42, Southern Miss. 20  
 Newbury 13, UNC-Pembroke 6  
 North Carolina 28, West Virginia 28  
 North Carolina 28, Virginia 27  
 Presbyterian 18, Monmouth (N.J.) 12  
 Reinhardt 49, Cumberland 23  
 Richmond 30, Furman 0  
 Shaw 40, Bethune-Cookman 14  
 Samford 45, Eolun 10  
 Southeastern (Fla.) 47, Point (Ga.) 10  
 Southern 14, Jackson St. 28  
 Stetson 46, Davidson 34  
 Stevenson 57, FDU-Florham 0  
 Texas St. 22, Louisiana-Monroe 18  
 Thomas More 64, Grove City 7  
 Tusculum 14, Wingate 10  
 Tuskegee 38, Kentucky St. 9  
 UT 34, Temple 14  
 UT Martin 27, Austin Peay 7  
 Valdosta St. 37, Shorter 6  
 W. Carolina 29, The Citadel 15  
 W. Kentucky 66, Old Dominion 51  
 W. Va. 66, Concordia-Salem 12  
 Webber 27, Ave Maria 14  
 William & Mary 21, Delaware 17  
 Winston-Salem 16, Livingston 17  
 Worford 38, VMI 1

**MIDWEST**  
 Arizona Christian 38, Missouri Baptist 13  
 Augsburg (Ill.) 31, Carthage 26  
 Iowa Pacific 52, St. Dakota Tech 30  
 Ball St. 35, Akron 21  
 Benedictine (Ill.) 44, Concordia (Ill.) 11  
 Benedictine (Kan.) 41, Graceland (Iowa) 38  
 Bethel (Minn.) 35, St. Thomas (Minn.) 24  
 Bluffton 24, Marshall 16  
 Buena Vista 44, Dubuque 39  
 Carroll (Mo.) 58, Ripon 14  
 Central 16, Coe 21  
 Central St. (Ohio) 41, Stillman 14  
 Chicago 21, 33, Black Hills 10  
 Chicago 44, Washington (Mo.) 23  
 Concordia (Mich.) 62, Maranatha Baptist 0  
 Concordia (Mo.) 42, Hamline 7  
 Concordia (S.D.) 37, Upper Iowa 34, OT  
 Concordia (Wis.) 42, Rockford 14  
 Crown (Minn.) 17, Mac Murray 14  
 Culver-Stockton 24, Evangel 19  
 Dakota St. 69, Trinity Bible 13  
 Dakota Wesleyan 42, Midland 21  
 Defiance 45, Earlham 21  
 Denison 38, Wooster 24  
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 Greenville 53, St. Ambrose 24  
 Greenfield 52, Iowa Wesleyan 32  
 Grinnell 21, Knox 19  
 Heidelberg 40, Marietta 20  
 Hillsdale 39, Ohio Wesleyan 28  
 Hope 33, Alma 7  
 Illinois 28, Minnesota 24  
 Illinois State College 49, Lakes Forest 6  
 Illinois St. 21, Missouri St. 17  
 Indiana 21, S. Illinois 26  
 Indianapolis 52, Lincoln (Mo.) 14  
 Jacksonville 37, Presentation 14  
 John Carroll 11, Capital 7  
 Kansas St. 23, Texas 0  
 Kansas Wesleyan 55, Bethel (Kan.) 28  
 Lake Erie 55, Malone 34  
 Lakeland 14, Aurora 10  
 Lindenwood (Ill.) 29, Olivet Nazarene 7  
 Loras 27, Simpson (Iowa) 24  
 Macalester 33, Lawrence 0  
 Marian (Ind.) 22, St. Francis (Ill.) 19  
 Miami Lutheran 13, Miami (Mo.) 17  
 Mary 52, Minn. St.-Morhead 45  
 Mendocino 27, Missouri S&T 24  
 McNeese 51, 41, Incarnate Word 21  
 Grinnell 21, Knox 19  
 Miami (Ohio) 10, Kent St. 3  
 Michigan 35, Michigan 11  
 Mid North 34, 34, Baker 27  
 Minn. Duluth 38, Bemidji 10  
 Minnesota 24, Marquette 34, Augustana (S.D.) 28  
 Minot St. 50, Minn.-Crookston 20  
 Missouri 147, Vanderbilt 14  
 Missouri Southern 31, Lindenwood (Mo.) 17

Missouri Valley 41, Cent. Methodist 10  
 Monmouth (Ill.) 38, Carroll (Iowa) 21  
 Morris 46, 33, Bjar Cliff 0  
 Mount St. Joseph 63, Anderson (Ind.) 14  
 Mount Union 74, Wilmington (Ohio) 0  
 N. Dakota St. 47, South Dakota 7  
 N. Illinois 28, E. Michigan 17  
 N. Iowa 27, W. Illinois 13  
 Nebraska 42, Rutgers 24  
 North Park 26, Millikin 7  
 Northern St. (SD) 45, St. Cloud St. 23  
 Northern St. (Iowa) 46, Dorrill 17  
 Ohio Northern 31, Muskingum 10  
 Okla. St. 86, Kalamazoo 24  
 Ottawa, Kan. 55, Southwestern (Kan.) 0  
 Quincy 22, Saint Joseph 14  
 Peru St. 24, Avila 17  
 Pittsburg 25, Nebraska-Kearney 21  
 Quincy 22, William Jewell 28  
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 St. Norbert 29, Beloit 14  
 St. Scholastica 59, Eureka 0  
 St. Xavier 46, William Penn 46  
 Sterling 34, St. Mary (Kan.) 24  
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 Angelo St. 41, New Mexico 20  
 Ark.-Morrison 33, Nazarene 37  
 Ark.-Pine Bluff 38, Texas Southern 37  
 Arkansas 45, UAB 17  
 Cent. Arkansas 38, Northwestern St. 35  
 Cent. Missouri 50, Northeastern St. 14  
 Central Oklahoma 55, Washburn 26  
 East Central 36, SW Oklahoma 13  
 Chadron State 51, Howard Payne 20  
 Harding 28, Henderson St. 24  
 Hendrix 38, Austin 28  
 Houston Baptist 31, Nichols St. 21  
 Mary Hardin-Baylor 72, Texas Lutheran 16  
 Memphis 48, SMU 10  
 Midwestern St. 40, Texas A&M 6  
 Missouri 37, OT 0  
 Okla. Panhandle St. 45, SW Assemblies of God 7  
 Oklahoma Baptist 62, Texas College 0  
 Oklahoma 14, Arkansas Tech 9  
 Rice 41, North Texas 27  
 SE Oklahoma 46, NW Oklahoma St. 7  
 Stephen F. Austin St. 38, Abilene Christian 17  
 Stephen H. Austin 27, SE Louisiana 17  
 TCU 82, Texas Tech 27  
 TCU 82, Texas Tech 27  
 Tarkenton St. 54, McMurry 7  
 UTEP 34, UTSA 0  
 Utah State 49, Bacone 14  
 W. Texas A&M 48, Texas A&M-Kings 21  
 West Virginia 24, Oklahoma St. 10

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 Arizona 51, NM Highlands 34  
 Arizona 59, Washington St. 37  
 Arizona St. 24, Washington 10  
 CSU-Pueblo 20, Colorado Mines 12  
 Cal Poly 41, Montana 21  
 California State 20, Montana Tech 12  
 Chapman 45, Cal Lutheran 21  
 Colorado State 45, Wyoming 31  
 Dixie St. 28, Menlo 6  
 E. Oregon 62, Montana St.-Northern 14  
 Fort Lewis 28, Mesa St. 20  
 Humboldt St. 38, Cent. Washington 20  
 Idaho St. 46, N. Colorado 12  
 Linfield 59, Lewis & Clark 7  
 Montana Western 20, Rocky Mountain 17  
 N. Arizona 28, Washington 27  
 Northern 26, Haxell 18  
 Occidental 21, Claremont-Mudd 14  
 Pacific (Ore.) 24, George Fox 0  
 Pacific Lutheran 56, Willamette 14  
 Pomona-Pitzer 24, Oregon 37  
 Portland 24, Weber St. 17  
 Redlands 64, La Verne 28  
 S. Oregon 66, Coll. of Idaho 16  
 S. Utah 35, North Dakota 17  
 San Diego 40, Dayton 29  
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 Utah 24, Southern Cal 21  
 Utah 24, UNLV 27  
 W. New Mexico 48, Western St. (Col.) 38  
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 Whitworth 62, Puget Sound 30

# Rested Reynolds runs for 251 yards, 3 TDs

By DAVID GINSBURG  
The Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — While watching a healthy Keenan Reynolds glide through practice during the week, Navy coach Ken Niumatalo figured his quarterback was poised for a bounce-back performance against San Jose State.

After Reynolds ran for a career-high 251 yards and three touchdowns in a 41-31 victory Saturday, Niumatalo smiled.

"I know this was coming," he said.

Following an uneven outing in a loss to Air Force, Reynolds missed Navy's next game on Oct. 11 with knee and shoulder injuries. That was followed by a bye, which allowed the junior quarterback to rest, shed his knee brace and run confidently at practice.

Then came the game. Reyn-

olds had a career-high 39 carries, scored on runs of 8, 3 and 2 yards and accounted for 93 yards during a pivotal third-quarter drive.

"I saw this coming because I saw the way he's running and cutting (in practice), careful back to his old self," Niumatalo said. "I said, 'He's going to have a big game.'"

Reynolds did just that, putting on a show that earned him a place in the school record book.

His three touchdowns gave him 52 for his career, breaking the Navy mark of 49 held by Ricky Dobbs (2008-10). Ten of Reynolds' TDs have come against San Jose State, including seven last year in a 58-52 overtime win.

Reynolds ran for 240 yards in that overtime game. That was his career high until this one.

"It was nice to be out there, brace-free, running around," Reynolds said.



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# COLLEGE FOOTBALL

## Saturday's stars

■ Trevone Boykin, TCU, threw for 433 yards and a school-record seven TDs as the 10th-ranked Horned Frogs showcased a new fast-paced offense by scoring the most points in history in an 82-27 rout of Texas Tech.

■ Ameer Abdullah, Nebraska, nudged his way back into the Heisman Trophy conversation by running for 225 yards and three TDs and setting a school record with 341 all-purpose yards in the No. 16 Cornhuskers' 42-24 victory over Rutgers.

■ Amari Cooper, Alabama, caught nine passes for a school-record 224 yards and scored two TDs to help the No. 4 Crimson Tide beat Tennessee 34-20.

■ Devon Johnson, Marshall, rushed for a school-record 272 yards and four TDs to lead the No. 23 Thundering Herd to a 35-16 win over Florida Atlantic.

■ Jeremy Langford, Michigan State, ran for 177 yards and three TDs, and the No. 8 Spartans trounced rival Michigan again, 35-11.

■ Vad Lee, James Madison, passed for four TDs and ran for two more in a 48-40 win over Charlotte.

■ Keenan Reynolds, Navy, ran for a career-high 251 yards and three TDs in a 41-31 victory over San Jose State.

■ Anu Solomon, Arizona, threw for 294 yards and five touchdowns in the No. 15 Wildcats' 59-37 win at Washington State.

■ Brandon Doughty, Western Kentucky, threw for 371 yards and five TDs in a 66-51 win over Old Dominion.

■ Garrett Grayson, Colorado State, threw for five touchdowns, pushing his career total to a school record of 53, and the Rams beat Wyoming 45-31.

■ Taylor Heinicke, Old Dominion threw for 471 yards and three TDs in a 66-51 loss to Western Kentucky.

■ John Robertson, Villanova, threw three TD passes and ran for two more scores in a 48-28 win over Morgan State.

■ Matt Breida, Georgia Southern, ran for 201 yards and four TDs in a 69-31 win over Georgia State.

■ Ammon Olson, Southern Utah, threw for four TDs and ran for another in a 25-17 win over North Dakota.



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**Marshall running back Devon Johnson attempts to break free from Florida Atlantic defender Andrea Kirk on a run on Saturday, in Huntington, W.Va. Johnson rushed for a school-record 272 yards and scored four touchdowns.**

## How the AP Top 25 fared

**1** Mississippi State (7-0) beat Kentucky 45-31. At Lexington, Ky., Dak Prescott accounted for three touchdowns, Josh Robinson ran for two scores and Mississippi State showed no rust coming off an off week. Kentucky got within a touchdown four times, and Heisman Trophy hopeful Prescott and Robinson answered with TDs on three occasions.

**2** Florida State (7-0) did not play. The Seminoles passed their toughest test by holding on against Notre Dame, and have no ranked teams left on their schedule. Louisville presents the biggest challenge with a total defense that ranks No. 1 in the country.

**Next:** at Louisville, Thursday, Oct. 30.

**3** Mississippi (7-1) lost No. 24 LSU 10-7. At Baton Rouge, La., Bo Wallace was on the cusp of prolonging the Rebels bid for an unbeaten season until LSU safety Ronald Martin intercepted Wallace at the 1 yard line with 1:19 left.

**Next:** vs. No. 5 Auburn, Saturday.

**4** Alabama (7-1) beat Tennessee 34-20. At Knoxville, Tenn., Amari Cooper caught nine passes for a school-record 224 yards and scored two touchdowns to help Alabama beat Tennessee for the eighth consecutive time in the series.

**Next:** at No. 24 LSU, Saturday, Nov. 8.

**5** Auburn (6-1) beat South Carolina 42-35. At Auburn, Ala., Nick Marshall ran for three touchdowns and passed for a score and the Tigers survived a scare from South Carolina after Steve Spurrier's game off.

**Next:** at No. 3 Mississippi, Saturday.

**6** Oregon (7-1) beat California 59-41. Friday, at Santa Clara, Calif., Marcus Mariota matched his season high with five touchdown passes and broke the Oregon record for career passing yards.

**Next:** vs. Stanford, Saturday.

**7** Notre Dame (6-1) did not play. Irish coach Brian Kelly's biggest regret after losing to Florida State was Notre Dame let a game with Florida State come down to a penalty.

**Next:** vs. Navy at Landover, Md., Saturday, Nov. 1.

**8** Michigan State (7-1) beat Michigan 35-11. At East Lansing, Mich., Jeremy Langford ran for 177 yards and three touchdowns for the Spartans, who have won six of their past seven games against the Wolverines, only the second time Michigan State has accomplished that in a series that dates to 1898.

**Next:** vs. No. 13 Ohio State, Saturday, Nov. 8.

**9** Georgia (6-1) did not play. The Bulldogs hope to have star RB Todd Gurley back for this week's game against Florida in Jacksonville.

**Next:** vs. Florida at Jacksonville, Fla., Saturday.

**10** TCU (6-1) beat Texas Tech 82-27. At Fort Worth, Texas, Trevone Boykin threw a school-record seven touchdown passes and TCU showcased a new fast-paced offense by scoring the most points in school history. Boykin was 22-for-39 for 433 yards while setting a career high in yards passing for the second week in a row, this time needing just three quarters to do it.

**Next:** at No. 22 West Virginia, Saturday.

**11** Kansas State (6-1) beat Texas 23-0. At Manhattan, Kan., Kansas State's rapidly improving defense led the first shutout of Texas in more than a decade to keep the Wildcats unbeaten in Big 12 play. DeMarcus Robinson and Charles Jones each ran for a touchdown to lead the Wildcats.

**Next:** vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.

**12** Baylor (6-1) did not play. Baylor (6-1, 3-1) was held to its lowest point and yardage outputs in a 41-27 loss to West Virginia last week.

**Next:** vs. Kansas, Saturday.

**13** Ohio State (6-1) beat Penn State 31-24 (OT). At State College, Pa., quarterback J.T. Barrett scored twice in overtime to help the Buckeyes escape. Ohio State built a 17-0 lead and was cruising until Penn State defensive tackle Anthony Zettel intercepted Barrett's pass and returned it 40 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter.

**Next:** vs. Illinois, Saturday.

**14** Arizona State (6-1) beat Washington 24-10. At Seattle, Taylor Kelly threw two touchdown passes after missing more than a month with a foot injury, the second a 7-yarder to Gary Chambers with 3 minutes left. Arizona State remained in control of the race in the Pac-12 South and set up a huge matchup against Utah next week.

**Next:** vs. No. 19 Utah, Saturday.

**15** Arizona (6-1) beat Washington State 59-37. At Pullman, Wash., Anu Solomon threw five touchdown passes to lead the Wildcats. The freshman quarterback was 26-for-38 for 294 yards without an interception.

**Next:** at No. 25 UCLA, Saturday.

**16** Nebraska (7-1) beat Rutgers 42-24. At Lincoln, Neb., Ameer Abdullah ran for 225 yards and three touchdowns and set a Nebraska record with 341 all-purpose yards. Abdullah surpassed 200 yards rushing for a nation-leading fourth time this season. He broke Roy Helu Jr.'s record of 321 all-purpose yards with his 23-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter.

**Next:** vs. Purdue, Saturday.

**17** Oklahoma (5-2) did not play. The Sooners enter a bye week in an unfamiliar situation, seemingly out of Big 12 Conference title discussion in October.

**Next:** at Iowa State, Saturday.

**18** East Carolina (6-1) beat UConn 31-21, Thursday. At Greenville, N.C., Shane Carden threw for a season-high 445 yards, Breon Allen ran for two touchdowns and the Pirates pulled away from Connecticut.

**Next:** at Temple, Saturday.

**19** Utah (6-1) beat No. 20 Southern Cal 24-21. At Salt Lake City, Travis Wilson threw a 1-yard touchdown pass to Kaelin Clay with 8 seconds left. Wilson put the Utes in position for the winning score when he was flushed from the pocket and scrambled 19 yards.

**Next:** at No. 14 Arizona State, Saturday.

**20** Southern Cal (5-3) lost to No. 19 Utah 24-21. At Salt Lake City, Cody Kessler completed 24 of 32 attempts for 264 yards and Javorius Allen ran for 101 yards, but the Trojans lost in the last minute for the third time this season.

**Next:** at Washington State, Saturday.

**21** Clemson (6-2) beat Syracuse 16-6. At Clemson, S.C., Cole Stoudt threw for 209 yards and a touchdown, Ammon Lakip had three field goals and the Tigers overcame a spotty offensive showing with another strong performance on defense.

**Next:** at Wake Forest, Thursday, Nov. 6.

**22** West Virginia (6-2) beat Oklahoma State 34-10. At Stillwater, Okla., Wendell Smallwood stepped in for an injured Rushel Shell and ran for a career-high 132 yards and Clint Trickett passed for 238 yards and two touchdowns for the Mountaineers, who won their fourth straight.

**Next:** vs. No. 10 TCU, Saturday.

**23** Marshall (8-0) beat FAU 35-16. At Huntington, W.Va., Devon Johnson rushed for a school-record 272 yards and four touchdowns for Marshall, which overcame its first halftime deficit of the season.

**Next:** at Southern Miss., Saturday, Nov. 8.

**24** LSU (7-2) beat No. 3 Mississippi 10-7. At Baton Rouge, La., Leonard Fournette ran for 113 yards, and LSU finished with 264 yards rushing against a defense that came in allowing 97.1 per game.

**Next:** vs. No. 4 Alabama, Saturday, Nov. 8.

**25** UCLA (6-2) beat Colorado 40-37, 2OT. At Boulder, Colo., Brett Hundley had an 8-yard touchdown run in double overtime to lift the Bruins after they squandered a 17-point lead in the fourth quarter.

**Next:** vs. No. 15 Arizona, Saturday.

# HIGH SCHOOL: DODDS EUROPE

## Cross country championships

# Patch runners dominate girls, boys fields

By JENNIFER H. SVAN  
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**BAUMHOLDER, Germany** — The yellow jerseys came in fast and furious.

Doing the math — adding up team points after it was over — would just make it official.

Anybody watching the finish chute at the 2014 DODDS-Europe cross country championships Saturday saw domination by one team in yellow: Patch.

Both the Patch boys' and girls' squads won the Division I team titles by placing four runners in the top 10; their fifth runner — the top five runners on a team score — was No. 15, for both the boys and girls, with about 100 runners tooting the line in each race.

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Coach Philip Bailey said, referring to the individual and team titles for both boys and girls. "Since this is our last year as Patch, we figured we'll leave it with a bang."

A new Patch high school is scheduled to open next school year with a new name.

Bailey and fellow Patch coach, Blake Little, said the Panthers outdid themselves and turned in a true team effort.

"A lot of people say cross country is an individual sport but I think day in and day out, if you don't have the camaraderie and the teamwork to work together," it's harder to succeed as an individual, Little said.

Patch had no trouble succeeding on the individual level.

Patch senior Mitchell Bailey



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**Patch's Julia Lockridge (53) runs with the pack at the start of the DODDS Europe cross country championship race at the Rolling Hills Golf Club in Baumholder, Germany, Saturday. Lockridge won the girls race with a time of 19:53.82.**

— the coach's son — defended his 2013 crown to take the boys' 3.1-mile race in 16 minutes 53.35 seconds. Wiesbaden senior Ryan Parker was second. The two had near identical regular-season times entering Saturday's finals but they hadn't dueling all year.

Parker gave it his best shot. Just past the half-way point on Baumholder's Rolling Hills Golf Course, he charged ahead of Bailey on a downhill, he recounted after the race. He was trying to "break him" he said, "so he would give up." But Bailey stayed with Parker on the next uphill and "as we came into the woods, he passed me," Parker said. "I just felt my chest get really tight. He just gained distance from there."

Parker, who was fourth as a junior, crossed the line second in 17:07.04.

After being last year's surprise winner, moving up from a seventh-place finish as a sophomore, Bailey said he felt the weight of carrying high expectations into the final meet of his high school career.

"There was a lot more pressure this year," he said. "It would be OK if someone from my own team beat me but... I have to defend the title for the school."

Winning a second time, however, is just as sweet. It feels "great," Bailey said. "I'm really happy. I'm going to go home and celebrate."

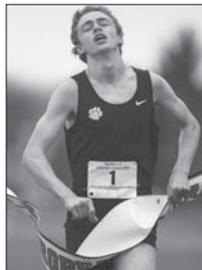
On the girls' side, a new but fa-

miliar champion was crowned. Patch's Julia Lockridge, a middle-distance track and field standout for the Panthers in the spring, earned her first cross country title with a winning time of 19:53.82.

Though it was her first cross country season since her freshman year, the senior said she felt pressure to keep the Patch streak alive. Former Panther Bailey Sessions earned three-straight European crowns before graduating last year. Two other Patch runners won the two years before that.

Lockridge credited her parents, Beth and Darrell Lockridge, for their support.

"That's who's really been there for me," she said. They're my "biggest fans. No. 1."



**Patch's Mitchell Bailey crosses the finish line to win his second consecutive DODDS Europe cross country championship.**

Finishing second in the girls' race was another Patch runner, senior Kelleen McGuinness. She ran 20:07.35 to finish one place better than last year.

After pulling ahead of Ramstein's Madison Morse on the course's second loop, she ran scared, giving it all she had to stay ahead of Morse, last year's runner-up. "I heard 6-year lead," McGuinness said. "I tried to maintain that because I was frightened."

"I felt great," she added. "It's my senior year. I was so excited to be running."

Morse ended up fourth, behind third-place finisher Michelle Sanchez from Wiesack.

The freshman turned in her best time of the season, she said, shaving off nearly three minutes from her average times this fall.

Sanchez hung on despite the tough course.

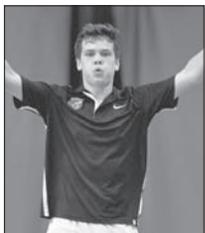
"I was really, really tired because of those hills," she said.

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## Tennis

# ISB most sweeps titles at European championships

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**ISB's Fabian Sandrup Selvik celebrates his 6-1, 6-3 win over George Shaffer of Naples in the boys singles final in Wiesbaden, Germany, Saturday.**

WIESBADEN-NORDENSTADT, Germany — International School of Brussels won all the finals it was entered in Saturday at the DODDS European Tennis Championships and was just a Patch showdown shy of a clean sweep.

ISB's Maxime Dumortier and Bram Den Dekker defeated Patch's Devin Rehwaldt and Payton Fritz 7-5, 6-7 (5-7), 7-5 earning the duo a title in boys' doubles play in a match that went nearly three hours and was one of the hardest-fought of the tournament.

ISB coach Bernard deConinck said the Raiders' success was a result of lots of hard, intensive work tied with strength, technical skill, and mental toughness. "With the lack of practice space, we were forced to use a lot of cooperative drills, which created team spirit," deConinck said. "Team spirit is our top priority."

ISB also took the top spot in girls' doubles

with Megumi Ogasawara and Maya Yoshida defeating Wiesbaden's Peyton Taylor and Jackie Renzi 6-1, 7-5.

In boys' singles action, ISB's Fabian Sandrup Selvik is the 2014 singles champion; Patch's Marissa Encarnacion earned the title in girls' action.

"I came out today ready to win," Selvik said after closing the match against Naples' George Shaffer in a hard-fought second set. "He gave me a lot of fight at the end, but I'm happy I pulled through."

Selvik eventually beat Shaffer 6-1, 6-3 after taking an early 5-0 lead by capitalizing on Shaffer's early inconsistency with his backhand.

"During the second set his backhand improved a lot, so I had to change it up a bit," Selvik said.

Selvik placed fourth in the tournament two years ago, and was runner-up last year.

"It feels great — the last two years I've been so close," Selvik said.

Encarnacion, due to a regular-season injury, barely qualified for the tournament. But she was dominant in tournament play, culminating with a 6-1, 6-1 win over teammate Marina Fortun.

"I felt pretty good, but it's always hard playing against your best friend," Encarnacion said following her win. "I am quite happy because I was struggling getting into Europeans because I broke my ankle and was out for the first three games of the season. But I guess everything happens for a reason."

Wiesbaden junior Jade Sullivan brought home the bronze following her defeat of Ramstein freshman Alexi Aldinger 6-4, 6-2.

Bahrain's Frank Li and Moustafa Refai earned third in boys' doubles by defeating Alconbury's Dylan Howarth and Joey Behr 6-2, 6-0. Vicenza's Kiki Sibilla and Kathleen Leosk took third in girls' doubles by beating AFNORTH's Amelie and Sophia Essrich 6-0, 7-6, (7-2).

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# HIGH SCHOOL



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**Ramstein's Ben Ciero breaks a tackle on the way to his first touchdown in the Royals' 48-7 romp over Patch on Saturday.**

## Football finals are set

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The DODDS Europe football championships are set after four weekend semifinals. And, unlike last year's series of shockers in Division II, the playoffs mirrored the regular season.

That leaves unbeaten Wiesbaden — the defending champion — taking on Ramstein for the Division I crown. Wiesbaden ended Ramstein's hopes of an unbeaten season a year ago by winning the title game. The two teams met earlier this season in Wiesbaden, and the Warriors won 20-14 in overtime. It was Ramstein's only loss.

The Royals advanced Saturday with a 48-7 victory over Patch. Ramstein benefited from six Patch turnovers and scored three

times in the first quarter.

Wiesbaden topped Kaiserslautern 56-27 on Friday night. The Warriors spotted the Raiders a 10-0 lead, then went on a scoring tear, helped by five Kaiserslautern turnovers.

The Division II title game will feature a battle of unbeaten, with defending champion Hohensfeld meeting Ansbach.

The Tigers, led as always by senior running back David Vidovic (215 yards, two touchdowns) on offense, got strong efforts on defense from a handful of standouts to stop Naples 25-11.

Ansbach, which went unbeaten during last year's regular season before falling to SHAPE, didn't stumble this year. The Cougars topped Vicenza 32-12.

## DODDS Europe scoreboard

### Cross country

#### Saturday at Baumholder, Germany

##### Girls

1. Patch 34, Ramstein 56, Kaiserslautern 93, SHAPE 112, Naples 112, Frankfurt International 119, Vilseck 163

##### Division II

No complete teams were fielded.

**Boys**  
1. Julius Lookridge (Pat) 19:53.82, 2. Kellen McGuinness (Pat) 20:07.35, 3. Michelle Sanchez (VII) 20:21.64, 4. Madison Morse (Ram) 20:27.85, 5. Kelly McCaskill (Ans) 20:49.70, 6. Megan Mackie (Kais), 21:01.85, 7. Katelyn Schultz (Ram) 21:07.38, 8. Gabrielle Gante (Pat) 21:11.88, 9. Dominique Wheeler, (Inc) 21:13.32, 10. Quincy Cook (Nap) 21:21.89, 11. Nina Gante, (Pat) 21:27.24, 12. Kiki Caron (Bru) 21:31.22, 13. Nicole Leondice, (Ram), 21:38.14, 14. Hannah Grebes, (Kais) 21:40.38, 15. Elena Verda (Fra) 21:40.85, 16. Anna Kyle (SHA) 21:51.21, 17. Gabi Elliot (Wies) 21:58.18, 18. Mackenzie Marks (Fra) 21:59.12, 19. Michelle Gelacio (Pat) 20. Shiloh Houseworth (Nap) 22:09.36, 21. Hayley Turner, (Inc) 22:16.94, 22. Alex Tone (Wies) 22:17.34, 23. Michelle Spielberg (Fra) 22:17.79, 24. Tara Sodu (Pat) 22:21.79, 25. Riley Giles (SHA) 22:25.83, 26. Caitlin Quirk (Nap) 22:26.22, 27. Kaitelin Quenbeck (Bru) 22:30.16, 28. Marra Lopes, (Lak) 22:30.31, 29. Alena Britt (Kais) 22:33.40, 30. Graciele Vanda (Nap) 22:37.86.

##### Boys

1. Patch 32, Wiesbaden 67, Ramstein 67, Vilseck 126, Lakenheath 130, Naples 137, SHAPE 155, Kaiserslautern 180

##### Division II

American Overseas School of Rome

##### Division III

No complete teams were fielded.  
1. Mitchell Bailey (Pat) 16:53.35, 2. Ryan Parker (Wies) 17:07.04, 3. Alexander Donnelly (Pat) 17:10.79, 4. Aaron Schlosser (Ram) 17:22.71, 5. Alexander Bowman (Pat) 17:29.42, 6. Adams Har- nold (Ram) 17:32.42, 7. Jacob Benik- min (BFA) 17:33.70, 8. Taichi Kimura (ISB) 17:49.46, 9. Tobias Muxfeldt (SHA)

## PACIFIC NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE WEEKEND

# Humphreys keeps Daegu from undefeated season

By Dave Ornauer

Stars and Stripes

With its ticket to the Far East Division II football title game already punched, Ken Walter was worried. Coupling that with Friday's homecoming game with Humphreys looming, the Daegu coach was concerned his players might be tempted to look past the Blackhawks.

"I told the guys they are coming in with nothing to lose," Walter said following the Blackhawks' 29-26 upset over the Warriors, who were the last unbeaten DODDS team in the Pacific.

"They were looking to be a spoiler and they pulled it off. They deserved to win. They outplayed us."

It was the first victory in three tries for the Blackhawks against the Warriors, who won the previous two encounters by a combined 65-12. Humphreys finished its regular season 4-3, while Daegu enters the Nov. 8 D-II title game at M.C. Perry at 6-1.

Special teams, which can sometimes be an afterthought for a team, made the difference as Jameson Vi kicked three extra points, while Daegu made none of its conversion attempts.

"Special teams are special," said coach Aaron Mundy, adding that the team practiced for 15 minutes on Thursday with Vi, a junior who also plays center, linebacker, defensive line, "does a little bit of everything," Mundy said.

Daegu had been aiming for an undefeated season, which would have been the first in school history.

**Seoul American:** Daniel Salazar ran for three touchdowns and Eben Shelton caught a scoring pass and had an interception, helping the Falcons close the season by snapping their five-game losing streak. Salazar ran eight times

for 83 yards.

**Osan:** Cougars volleyball teams now look toward this weekend Korean-American Interscholastic Activities Conference tournaments, Blue Division volleyball at Osan for boys and Taejon Christian International for girls.

**Kadena:** Backups enjoyed their moment in the sun as Jacob Parker and Korteiz Hixon — each third stringers — scored touchdowns, and the defense shut down the Singapore All-Star Falcons' running attack as the Panthers got their fourth shutout of the season 40-0. Kadena has given up the fewest points in the Pacific, 56.

Kubasaki:



Kubasaki has made a habit of winning games against Kadena in comeback fashion. American School in Japan turned the tables on the Dragons on Friday, Ryan Murphy scoring with 55 seconds left to rally the Mustangs past the Dragons 31-30 in the first meeting of the teams.



**Kinick:** With starting center Charla Johnson taking the ACT, backside hitter Rhynssa Hizon moved into her spot and responded with 20 assists, helping the Red Devils win their eight straight DODDS Japan volleyball tournament title with a four-set win over Edgren.



**Yokota:** DeCorio Perry played his "best game of the year," coach Tim Fujol said after Friday's 46-14 win at Edgren. Perry had 121 all-purpose yards and a touchdown, an interception and a fumble recovery. ... Jacob Mansberger and Benjamin O'Connor won the boys doubles in the DODDS Japan tennis tournament.



**E.J. King:** After two relatively easy victories the previous two weeks, Rikki Kendall survived a tight battle with Yokota's Chris Beemsterboer in the DODDS Japan boys singles final. Kendall outlasted Beemsterboer 9-8 with a tiebreak



**Pery:** Jarell Davis was a "one-man wrecking crew" for the Samurai in their football season finale, a 27-12 homecoming win Saturday against Sama. Davis had 203 all-purpose yards and scored four touchdowns.



**Zama:** Kevin Groce returned an interception 40 yards for a touchdown and Jaeden Baker ran 28 yards for a score in the losing cause. ... Heather Hurley made it all the way to the finals of the DODDS Japan girls singles, falling 8-5 to Kinick's Reana Schoeff.



**Edgren:** The Eagles got some stellar setting of their own in the DODDS Japan volleyball finals loss to Kinick. Juniors Kaleen Middleton and Nicole Marquet combined for 23 assists, with Middleton adding six kills.



**Guam:** With the first-quarter season in the books, the Panthers turn their attention to the second quarter and baseball, girls basketball and boys soccer. Panther soccer opens Wednesday at St. John's, while girls basketball opens at Simon Sanchez on Tuesday. Guam baseball opened in home Saturday against George Washington.

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**Daegu running back Josh McCaw gets pulled down by his jersey by Humphreys' Stephen Conkright as the Blackhawks' Osie Cruz rushes in to help on Friday at Camp Walker, South Korea.**



## NBA

# King: James makes Cavs must-see TV

## FROM BACK PAGE

"We have tons of stars in this league," Mavericks center Tyson Chandler said. "But that's another level and a different magnitude of a player."

Two months shy of his 30th birthday, James already has a lifetime's worth of accomplishments: Two-time NBA champion, four-time MVP, double Olympic gold medalist, A-list celebrity, philanthropist, businessman, husband and father.

"And," Milwaukee coach Jason Kidd said with a sigh, "he's still young"

His decision this summer to return to the Cavs — revealed in a touching essay — helped Akron's favorite son win over fans who felt swindled when he signed with Miami four years ago.

By coming home, James boosted Cleveland's image and economy, turning the city into a sports hotspot and attractive destination for future free agents.

LeRoy Brooks, a finance professor at John Carroll University, estimates James' return will produce nearly \$500 million in revenue in the city. The Cavs sold out season tickets, bars and restaurants are expanding staff and downtown hotels are filling up with out-of-town guests for the winter, when cold winds off Lake Erie keep locals inside.

Teamed with All-Stars Kevin Love and Kyrie Irving, James and the Cavs are a must-see attraction.

"Everybody is getting a piece of him coming back," Chandler said. "Clearly, he's the big dog."

And as he approaches his 12th season, James faces greater pressure than ever. Every move draws comparisons to Jordan and other legends. If he can deliver Cleveland its first pro sports title since 1964, he'll boost his argument as the game's all-time best.

The latest chapter in his campaign launched with his essay: "I'm coming home."

The words brought Cleveland to a standstill.

Workers at lunch spilled into the streets with joy. Grown men cried at James' heartfelt sentiments.

"To be able to affect people's lives in the greater good, I'm very humbled by that and I don't take those moments for granted," James said, reflecting on his July 11 proclamation. "Once I'm done, I'll be able to really sit back and say, 'Wow, that happened.' And try to enjoy some of it."

James plotted the move for some time. He kept a close eye on the Cavs from afar, publicly stating he liked their direction. He felt they were a player or two from contention. Turns out he was the missing piece.

Still, James came back despite several unknowns.

He had never met new Cavs coach David Blatt, a European legend hired in June. He didn't know general manager David Griffin, either. And there was no guarantee the team could bolster its roster.

Expectations have grown after Love came in a blockbuster trade and the Cavs signed free agents Shawn Marion, Mike Miller and James Jones, a supporting cast loaded with playoff experience.

"I didn't envision our team being like this right off the bat," said James, who signed a two-year, \$42.1 million contract. "I did sacrifice the right now for the future. I felt like me coming, we could hopefully add some pieces. Obviously it happened quicker than I thought."



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Oklahoma City guard Russell Westbrook dunks during a preseason game against the Utah Jazz. While the future looks bright for the young and talented Thunder, uncertainty — and the impending free agency of reigning MVP Kevin Durant — looms.



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Oklahoma City Thunder forward Kevin Durant leaves a news conference with his right leg balanced on a scooter on Tuesday in Oklahoma City. Durant said he's been antsy since finding out he will miss the early part of the season with a Jones fracture in his right foot. The reigning NBA MVP spoke to the media Tuesday for the first time since the injury.

# Last best chance?

## Championship window might be closing on OKC

By CLIFF BRUNT  
The Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — The future looks bright for the Oklahoma City Thunder. It's unclear how long it will stay that way.

That may sound strange looking at the talented trio of Kevin Durant, Russell Westbrook and Serge Ibaka — all 26 or younger — and even younger talents Reggie Jackson and Steven Adams on the rise.

The franchise has its usual expectation of making a deep playoff run. No surprise there, not after trips to the Western Conference Finals three of the past four years and an NBA Finals appearance in 2012.

"We've got all the tools," said Durant, the reigning MVP. "We've got a great coach, we've got a great core of guys, we've got a great bench."

But there's no guarantee the pieces will stay together — the most important one, Durant, is a free agent after next season. He also must focus on his health. Durant suffered a bone fracture in his right foot, had surgery on Oct. 16 and will be out for at least the first month of the season.

Durant's injury highlights how small the window can be for a team to win the title.

The Thunder are at risk of falling behind early in the competitive Western Conference without Durant, and if they do, they face the prospect of being the road team in the playoffs against teams such as the defending champion San Antonio Spurs.

For now, the Thunder group's resume looks similar to that of the '80s Milwaukee Bucks, the '90s Utah Jazz, New York Knicks and Indiana Pacers and the Phoenix Suns of the 2000s — talented teams that won a lot of games, but never could get

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**Kevin Durant**

Oklahoma City forward, and reigning NBA MVP, on this season's Thunder squad

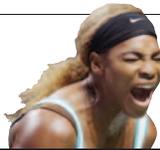
over that final hurdle.

Durant, Westbrook and Ibaka — who have played together for the past five years — certainly have the talent to make a jump. Durant is a four-time scoring champion who led the league with 32 points per game last year. Westbrook, a point guard, is a three-time All-Star and one of the league's five best pure athletes. Ibaka, an athletic 6-foot-10 power forward, has been on the All-Defensive first team the past three years and averaged a career-high 15.1 points last season.

Thunder coach Scott Brooks believes the team has accomplished a lot already, given how young its stars are. And if Durant stays after he becomes a free agent and the core remains, Brooks believes the team will have a chance to do special things for years to come.

"They're not just becoming good basketball players, but they're learning how to play with one another," Brooks said. "They're making the game easier for one another, and I want to see another jump in that area, and our players do also."

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## NBA

# Return of the King

## Back with Cavaliers, can LeBron finally bring a championship to Cleveland?

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**H**IS shirt soaked with champagne after winning his fourth title in 2007, Tim Duncan had one more move before celebrating further with his Spurs teammates. He pivoted in a hallway inside



Quicken Loans Arena, pulled 22-year-old LeBron James close and delivered a message.

"The league is going to be yours soon," Duncan told James.

Seven years later, there's no denying the power and influence James holds over the NBA. It's his league.

Beyond being the world's most complete player, a multifaceted, once-in-a-generation megastar, James is the undisputed face of his sport. Both iconic and inspirational, James

transcends the game like Michael Jordan before him.

Whether it's adding a new wrinkle to his offensive repertoire, signing a shorter contract to give himself more options or his choice of headphones, James sets standards on and off the floor. He recently passed Tiger Woods as the athlete with the top brand value, according to Forbes, with endorsements worth more than \$50 million last year alone.

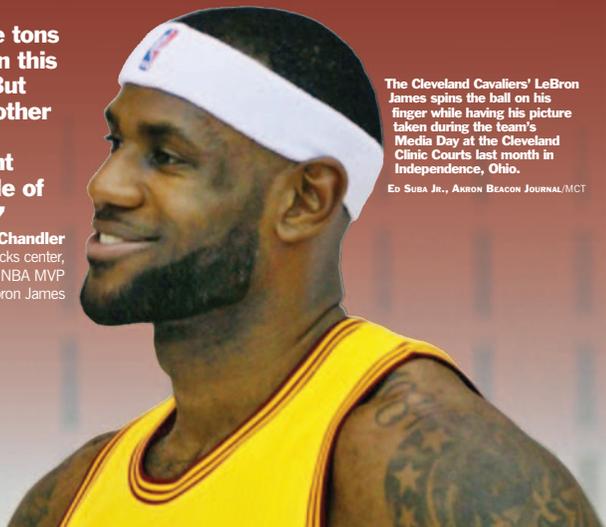
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**'We have tons of stars in this league. But that's another level and a different magnitude of a player.'**

**Tyson Chandler**  
Dallas Mavericks center,  
on four-time NBA MVP  
Lebron James

The Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James spins the ball on his finger while having his picture taken during the team's Media Day at the Cleveland Clinic Courts last month in Independence, Ohio.

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