

News, Quips and Quotes

Laura Loomer reported, "White Coat Waste (WCW) has learned that the DOD's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency recently extended a \$10 million contract to the University of Pittsburgh for inhumane experiments on cats. In these absurd DOD-funded animal tests, cats have marbles and balloons shoved into their rectums and are then electro-shocked for constipation and erectile dysfunction studies."

"The DOD contract was supposed to expire in May of 2025, but a federal spending database shows the contract was recently extended to run throughout 2027," the report added.

Less than two weeks later, the Department of Defense confirmed in a post on X, responding to Loomer, that the funding was being terminated.

"It was disturbing to learn that under the new administration, rogue actors and Biden holdovers within agencies renewed these taxpayer-funded animal abuse experiments, contrary to President Trump's long history of standing up for animal welfare," Loomer told The Gateway Pundit. "I'm grateful for the work of White Coat Waste and the Trump administration, especially Pete Hegseth, for immediately investigating the DOD contract upon learning of my joint investigation with White Coat Waste."

"We applaud President Trump and Secretary Hegseth for cutting the cruel cat experiments White Coat Waste exposed in a Pentagon-funded lab. White Coat Waste investigators uncovered how Biden's Defense Department wasted over \$10 million of taxpayers' money to cripple kittens and ram marbles and condoms up their anuses before electro-shocking them in constipation and erectile dysfunction tests. We're proud that a White Coat Waste-led investigation recently prompted Trump to slash the NIH's last in-house beagle lab. Taxpayers shouldn't be forced to pay for the Pentagon's pet abuse either, and now, following a White Coat Waste campaign, including powerful advocacy from our friends Sen. Rand Paul, Elon Musk and Laura Loomer, they won't have to." White Coat Waste President Anthony Bellotti said.

Even though I'm not a "cat person", I have a study idea on constipation also. It involves a cactus and a the bureaucrat that authorized this backside, and it will cost a whole lot less than \$10 million.

North Korea's newest warship was severely damaged during a launch ceremony Wednesday, May 21, with leader Kim Jong Un, who witnessed the accident, saying it brought shame to the nation's prestige and vowing to punish those found responsible, state media reported.

In a rare admission of failure, the official Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) said a malfunction in the launch mechanism caused the stern of the as-yet unnamed 5,000-ton destroyer to slide prematurely into the water, crushing parts of the hull and leaving the bow stranded on the shipway.

Kim called the launch failure "a criminal act" and blamed it on "absolute carelessness" and "irresponsibility" by multiple state institutions - including the Munitions Industry Department, Kim Chaek University of Technology and the central ship design bureau.

According to a South Korean military analysis, the vessel is lying on its side in the water, Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) spokesperson Lee Sung-joon said during a press briefing.

Naval analyst Carl Schuster in Hawaii, after reviewing the KCNA account, said he thinks the stresses would "warp the hull, induce cracks and (possibly) snap the keel depending on where the greatest stress falls."

The launch failure marks a setback for what analysts have viewed as North Korea's most ambitious naval modernization effort in decades.

The ship was to be the second major navy surface vessel revealed in quick succession by North Korea. In April, Kim unveiled the Choe Hyon, the country's first newly constructed destroyer in decades, and declared his ambition of building more destroyers and various cruisers and frigates.

Kim ordered the destroyer to be restored before the

late June plenary session of the ruling Workers' Party, calling the matter one of national honor.

Curious on how many ship builders and engineers will become living impaired soon? On another note maybe the only fat guy in North Korea could call it a new class of submarine.

Two female US Secret Service Uniformed Division officers got into a physical fight outside of Barack Obama's DC residence at 2:30 am on Wednesday, May 21.

According to RealClearPolitics: Two female Secret Service Uniformed Division officers got into a physical fight outside former President Obama's D.C. residence while guarding it. The fracas occurred at roughly 2:30 a.m. early Wednesday morning, according to two sources in the Secret Service community.

The lack of professionalism was on display during the fight and in a call one of the women made on a recorded Secret Service line to request a supervisor to come to the scene "immediately before I whoop this girl's ass." The woman officer who made the call was upset that her shift replacement was late and assailed her verbally and physically when she finally did arrive to relieve her. Audio of the early a.m. call is now circulating among agents and officers.

It's unclear whether either woman was injured or whether they will be disciplined over the altercation. The fight did not wake anyone in the Obama residence or the surrounding neighborhood, the sources said.

If agents act like this, how can they protect Presidents, former Presidents, visiting heads of state and their families if they can't show up on time and act like a bunch of children?

A former priest was convicted and sentenced to two months in prison, suspended for three years, for insulting President Andrzej Duda, Prime Minister Donald Tusk, and Speaker of the Sejm Szymon Hołownia in Baranów at the end of February 2024. He also insulted Duda on another occasion in December 2023.

The District Court in Poznań stated, according to wPolityce, that the accused "used words commonly considered offensive to describe the indicated persons during a sermon." He will be supervised by a probation officer for his three years of suspension. However, the judgment is not final, meaning the former priest can appeal.

Judge Karolina Siwierska stated that despite being excommunicated by Pope Francis, the former Salesian leads a religious community where he celebrates "masses" and delivers sermons touching on the political and social situation in the country. These sermons are published on a website.

The judge's ruling noted his sermon from December 2023, in which the accused called Duda "a buffoon," "a scoundrel," "a Pharisee," and "a stinker." In February 2024, he called both Duda and Tusk "traitors" and "scum," while labeling Hołownia "a wimp."

"These terms do not fall within the limits of permissible criticism," the judge said, calling them "clearly offensive and contemptuous in nature."

"It is not that freedom of speech is unlimited and that you can say whatever you want and wherever you want, because words have a lot of power. Words can hurt, mislead people. Words can also encourage evil, to commit crimes. That is why words must be weighed, used carefully and be responsible for them. Meanwhile, the accused has already been punished five times for his statements in which he humiliated, insulted, insulted and defamed other people. His sermons are filled with aggression, hate and so-called hate speech. And if God is love, then there was no God in the accused's sermons. And I say this with regret and great sadness," her judgment read.

If something like that is passed here, seeing how I lack the "keep your mouth shut gene" I'm hosed.

Did You Know...The Eiffel Tower can be 15 cm taller during the summer. That's due to thermal expansion, meaning the iron heats up, and the particles gain kinetic energy and take up more space.

Australia is wider than the moon. The moon is 3400 km in diameter, while Australia's diameter from east to west is almost 4000 km.

The Ancient Romans used to drop a piece of toast into their wine for good health. Hence why we "raise a toast."

A chef's hat has 100 pleats. Apparently, it's meant to represent the 100 ways you can cook an egg.

The Spanish national anthem has no words. The "Marcha Real" is one of only four national anthems in the world (along with those of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, and San Marino) to have no official lyrics.

M&Ms are named after the businessmen who created them. But what do the Ms stand for? Forrest Mars and Bruce Murrie.

Burgess Foundation Awards Scholarships

Each year the Burgess Foundation awards three \$1,000 scholarships each spring to area high school seniors and first-year college students that wish to pursue a career in a health-related field.

This year's recipients are: Rylee McDonald, Tylar Stirtz, and Sophie Stodola.

Applications for these scholarships are available January through April at <https://www.burgesshc.org/about/foundation/scholarships/>



Rylee McDonald, a graduate of Westwood, plans to pursue a career in the field of Nursing at Western Iowa Tech Community College.



Tylar Stirtz, a graduate of West Harrison, plans to pursue a career in the field of Biology at the University of Nebraska Omaha.



Sophie Stodola, a graduate of MVAOCOU, plans to pursue a career in the field of Nursing at Western Iowa Tech Community College.

Photos courtesy Burgess Foundation

The real name for a hashtag is an octothorpe. The 'octo' refers to the eight points in the symbol, but according to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, the 'thorpe' part is a mystery.

On The Lighter Side...A Dutchman was explaining the red, white, and blue Netherlands flag to an American.

"Our flag is symbolic of our taxes. We get red when we talk about them, white when we get our tax bills, and blue after we pay them."

The American nodded. "It's the same in the USA only we see stars, too!"

Caller:
"Hello, is this Tech Support?"

Tech Rep:
"Yes, it is. How may I help you?"

Caller:
"The cup holder on my PC is broken and I am within my warranty period. How do I go about getting that fixed?"

Tech Rep:
"I'm sorry, but did you say a cup holder?"

Caller:
"Yes, it's attached to the front of my computer."

Tech Rep:
"Please excuse me if I seem a bit stumped, it's because I am. Did you receive this as part of a promotional, at a trade show? How did you get this cup holder? Does it have any trademark on it?"

Caller:
"It came with my computer, I don't know anything about a promotional. It just has '4X' on it."

At this point the Tech Rep had to mute the caller, because he couldn't stand it. The caller had been using the load drawer of the CD-ROM drive as a cup holder, and snapped it off the drive.

On vacation with her family in Montana, a mother drove her van past a church in a small town and pointing to it, told the children that it was St. Francis' Church.

"It must be a franchise," her eight-year-old son said. "We've got one of those in our town, too."

The next time the stock market takes a nose dive look at it this way:
Today in the stock market:
Helium was up, feathers were down.
Paper was stationary.
Fluorescent tubing was dimmed in light trading.
Hiking equipment was trailing.
Elevators rose, while escalators continued their slow decline.

Food For Thought...Some people call them swear words, others call them sentence enhancers.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Onawa will be spraying the entire city for mosquito control. The spraying will begin half an hour before dusk.

Anyone wishing more information on request, as per Community Right-to-Know, may contact the city during regular business hours

Director of Public Works/Utilities