

Recipe Corner



"Potatoes? Lemme tell ya about potatoes..."

Note: Sharon Nedza is Irish and would rather have potatoes than steak. That should give validity to this recipe. However, she's married to Walter who is not only a Marine, he's also Polish.

Sharon's Potatoes:

- 5lbs boiled baking potatoes
- 8 oz cream cheese softened
- Cup of half and half
- ½ pound butter
- Tsp onion salt
- Tsp salt
- ¼ tsp pepper

Beat cream cheese and half and half together. Add potatoes while hot then all remaining ingredients. Place in large casserole dish. Brush with melted butter. Bake 350 degrees up to one hour. These will keep up to two weeks in your fridge.



Dad Joke

*Bought thin mints.
They didn't work.
She won't refund money.*

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*All the news I see fit to print.
Freedom of the press belongs to those who own one.*



Ohhhh...kay?

I'm so grateful for these politicians for explaining these complicated issues for me. I wish I was smart enough to figure these things out for myself.



Tree outside my front door. Couldn't resist. Waiting to hear screams from little kids next door.



News Report

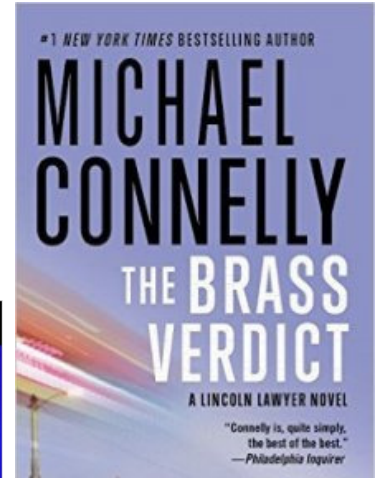
Mind-altering parasite spread by cats could give humans more courage and overcome 'fear of failure', research suggests.
Say what?



"Hey Mitch...is that a cat I hear...or is it that guy from CNN barking again?"

Bon Mots

*That voice you may hear inside your head...
...it's called thinking.*



Book Report

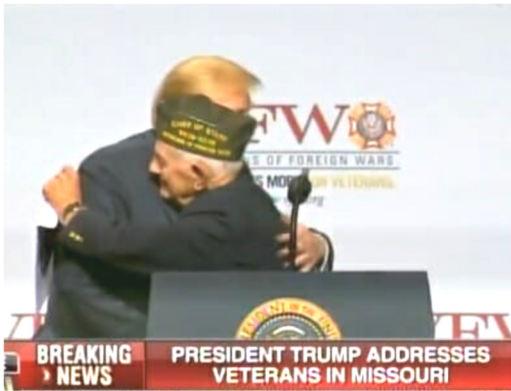
Another Lincoln Lawyer novel from Michael (not John) Connelly from 2008 with Bosch as added interest in solving the case. Surprise ending; didn't see that coming. Have three more on order.



TV: The Closer

As expected, by the fourth season, the writers had veered from plots that made it work at the start to profiles of the characters including addition of her parents complete with every cliché you can think of. Within each 45 minutes, about five were now devoted to the crime/solution element you'll find in the detective novels I'm addicted to. Worse yet, her southern accent is getting to the point where I use closed captions

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Why I Question The Lame Stream Media:

The Gulf of Tonkin “incident” was a key factor for Johnson’s escalation of the Vietnam war. I was there...at 3,000 feet and twenty miles away in a Navy E1B aircraft equipped with a powerful radar. I directed strike aircraft to protect our ships as I saw raw video on the radar scope of at least 12 small boats darting in and around the USS Maddox. I also established relay communications with the USS Ticonderoga and heard the combat information officer aboard the USS Maddox report multiple torpedoes running under the ship. The only reason they did not sink her was the fact that the Maddox was at the end of her time on station in the Gulf of Tonkin and was low on fuel so was running high in the water. The torpedoes were set to run at a depth too low to hit her.

It was less than five years later that the New York Times said it didn’t happen. I wrote them a letter disputing their claim but never heard from them. History is determined by press reports of the day. Freedom of the press is limited to those who own one. Reporter writes his version of what an eyewitness describes. The eye witness dies. The reporter’s version survives. The lame stream media keeps the false report alive.

Special message for the media below...



National VFW convention last week:

The president, who received cheers as he attacked “fake news”, urged the audience to reject completely any stories they see covered in the news media that might be negative towards him. “Don’t believe the crap you see from these people, the fake news,” Trump said, as the audience mostly comprised of veterans and their families booed and heckled reporters in the press pen. “Just remember, what you’re seeing and what you’re reading is not what’s happening.”

Following the president’s departure from Kansas City, the VFW issued a statement saying it was “disappointed” that audience members booed the reporters in the convention center. “We were disappointed to hear some of our members boo the press,” **Randi Law, Manager of Communications and Public Affairs for VFW** told ABC News. “The reporters onsite today were our invited guests and we rely on them to help spread the VFW’s message.”

This is Ms Law’s picture from her personal website. →

For someone with her job description to be this blind to political optics is mind boggling. Let me mention just a few of the reasons veterans, in particular Vietnam veterans, loath and despise the press. Every major news outlet during the Vietnam war praised President Johnson’s hands on approach and how he was going to win it. In a script devised by Robert McNamara, military



commanders were chosen by their ability to not question the tactics handed down by politicians who had no clue to what war was about. I remember one mission where we had identified a ground to air enemy missile site and had to contact Washington for permission to bomb it. It took six hours to get permission and just four hours for the missile site to be moved exactly the distance where we would have to obtain new permission. This micro management of the Vietnam war was authored and run by McNamara who, years later, wrote a book apologizing for the way he “helped” Johnson run military operations that resulted in a number of our aircraft shot down because the politicians thought it only fair to warn the targets about the planned operations. When their brilliant military tactics failed, the press was manipulated by people like Ms Law who worked for McNamara to shift blame to the military. We were called baby killers, spat upon and physically attacked at airports and even told to not wear our uniforms when flying commercial to get back to Vietnam for second, third and even fourth tours. My Lai was an isolated case but presented over several months by the press as typical. Walter Cronkite, “the most trusted man in America” used a fake picture of a C 130 plane accident as “proof” we were losing the war. He repeated this story for weeks to the point the aircraft was torn apart because parts became souvenirs. Draft card burning became patriotic. South Vietnam’s leadership was a joke with the CIA in the middle of it. Ho Chi Minh smoked three packs of Camels a day. All Johnson had to do was arrange to meet with Ho Chi and offer him an unlimited supply of cigarettes and help in replacing the corrupt politicians in the south. Instead of any art of the deal, Johnson was worried about re-election. He finally gave up and the press turned their attention to President Nixon and placed full blame for Vietnam on the military and Republicans. **So, Ms Law...that help explain things for you?**

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