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A pig walks into a store and buys a large soft drink. Afterwards, he asks to use the rest room and then leaves.

A while later, another pig comes in, drinks a large soft drink, asks to use the rest room and then leaves.

Sometime later, a third pig does the same thing, and then a fourth drinks a soft drink, asks to use the rest room and leaves.

In a while, another piggy comes in, drinks a large soft drink and starts out the door.

"Aren't you going to ask to use the rest room like the last four pigs did," asks the store manager.

"Nah," says the pig. "I'm the fifth piggy. I'll just wee, wee, wee all the way home."

Alligators

A man walks into a bar with an alligator on a leash and asks the barman, "Do you serve Washington politicians in here?"

The barman replies, "Of course, we serve people from all types of occupations."

"OK," says the man, "Then a beer for me, and a Washington politician for the alligator."

Two Cows

Two cows are standing in a field. The first cow says to the other, "I'm a little bit concerned about this mad cow disease that's going around."

The second cow replies, "Don't worry about it... it doesn't affect us chickens."

Yard Care

Pa notices that Bambi goes out every morning and sprinkles something white all over her yard, so he decides to ask her what she is doing.

"Oh," answers Bambi. "That's elephant powder. I bought it at the flea market to keep the elephants from trampling my flowers."

Pa says, "Everybody knows that there ain't no elephants around here!"

"Well," replies Bambi. "I guess it must be working then."

Running Rabbits

Two little rabbits are running for their lives in front of a pack of wolves. The one in front yells over his shoulder, "Follow me, I know where there is a place we can hide 'til we outnumber em!"

The other yells back, "You'd better keep running! I'm your brother!"

Rabid Dog On The Loose

Junior is walking down Main Street when he sees Pa and a crowd of people running towards him. He hollers at Pa, "What's happening?

"A rabid dog is in town!" is the reply.

"Oh shucks!" says Junior. "Which way is it head-

Pa replies, "Son, do you don't think we're chasing it?"

Alligators

Two alligators regularly swim up the Potomac during the summertime and are waiting to feed near the water's edge.

The small one turns to the big one and says, "I don't understand how you can be so much bigger than me. I know we're the same age . . . I just don't get it."

"Well," says the big alligator. "What have you been eating?"

"Washington politicians, same as you," replies the small one.

"Well," says the big alligator, "How do you catch'em?"

"I wait near the parking lot, and when a BMW pulls in to park, I just wait for someone to unlock the door. Then I jump on'em, bite'm, squeeze the crap out of them and eat'em."

"Ah," says the big alligator. "That's the problem. By the time you get done squeezing the crap out of them, there's nothing left but lips and a briefcase."



An Apple for Teacher

settled here in Estill County to be near my ers. They still don't love their homework, and sister and her family. I taught history at the all of them miss their friends. They have their college level for 30 years before I retired, and fingers crossed for September 28, and we I've been involved in developing and deliv- have ours crossed, too. We understand that ering online education pretty much since its not everyone in the county has the economic beginnings in the early 2000s. Over this time, and family stability to be this lucky. The real I developed an appreciation of the challenges time teacher availability during school hours and opportunities inherent in online educa- and hot lunch deliveries are key outreach for tion, as well as the similarities and differencthose who may not. es it shares with classroom instruction.

the online teaching and learning the Estill son instruction and replace it on very short County schools have organized for my grand- notice with unfamiliar and remote learning nieces and nephews in the 1st, 5th, 6th, 10th technologies. The teachers and administraand 11th grades. Some of the kids use Google tive staffers in the trenches responded with Classroom and some use a content manage- professionalism and an uncommon valor. ment system called Edgenuity. Each digital From my view as a career educator, the stuplatform has its positives and negatives. Each dents, families, teachers, and staff in the Estill kid has his or her individual inclinations and County school system have been given the dispositions for online learning. And each best chances possible to carry on the vital parent and grandparent has had his or her mission of public education in this difficult share of initial frustrations and fears.

On Monday we were all worried this

wasn't going to work. By Friday, it already was. The kids are resilient. They're settling I've recently come home to Kentucky and into their routines. They still love their teach-

The school board made a painful but nec-Last week, I had the opportunity to see essary decision to delay the start of in pertime. We heart our Engineers.

Julianne Unsel, Ph.D.

VA boosts COVID aid

VETERANS POST by Freddy Groves

The Department of Veterans Affairs has taken two important steps million will go a long to help veterans during the COVID pandemic: financial and housing for the homeless.

extending financial debt Veteran Families Prorelief through the end of the year. That's going to be a big help to many of us who are struggling. If you are making payments, repayment is go- is providing \$88 million ing to be more flexible. for the Grant and Per is suspending the collec- for the Health Care for tion action or extending Homeless Veterans Propayment terms on exist- gram. The GPD Program ing debts.

Management Center at those who are already 1-800-827-0648 and ask homeless or who are in for help.

If you have health care Resource Center at 1-

The VA is kicking in an additional \$400 million to veterans who are either already homeless or about to become home-Security Act (CARES Act) earned them.

VA, which initially allotted \$700 million to homelessness.

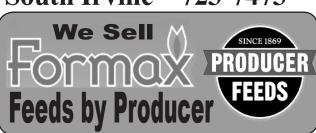
The additional \$400 way to preventing veteran homelessness and providing emergency housing as part of the Debt Relief: The VA is Supportive Services for gram. The idea, of course, is to provide housing that will allow physical safety and social distancing.

In additional, the VA One step is that the VA Diem Program and \$10 utilizes eligible civilian If you have benefit organization to provide debts, call the VA Debt transitional housing for danger of it.

If you and your family debts, call the Health need permanent housing, go online to www. 866-400-1238. To learn va.gov/homeless/hudmore, go online to www. vash.asp. This HUD/VA pay.gov and click on the collaboration provides Coronavirus (COVID-19) rental assistance vouchers if you're eligible for Emergency Housing: VA health care. Included can be case managers for health care, mental of COVID relief funding health and substanceto expand its response use counseling. This is one of VA's largest programs for homelessness.

The VA isn't perfect, less. The Coronavirus but it's trying. Use its Aid, Relief and Economic services because you

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