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"WHICH HILLARY ARE YOU VOTING FOR? THE ONE WHO ISN'T RUNNING FOR OBAMA'S 'THIRD TERM' OR THE ONE WHO EMBRACES HIS LEGACY?"

Maudie's Naughties



Lottery Winner

A local television station is interviewing a farmer who has just won the lottery. "Congratulations on winning," they tell him. "Do you have any special plans for spending all of that money?"

"Nope. Not really," replies the farmer. "I'm just gonna keep farming until the lottery money is all gone."

Miracle Medicine

Pa's mule is down so he calls the vet who gives it a big dose of medicine. The mule immediately jumps up and takes off running down the road.

"How much did that medicine cost," Pa asks.

"Eight dollars," replies the Doc.

"Well, give me another four dollars worth," says Pa. "I've got to catch that son-of-a-gun."

Predicting The Weather

Pa comes home from the store and says, "I've bought a barometer, Ma, to tell us when it's going to rain."

Ma replies, "To tell us when it's goin' to rain! Why, I never heard o' such extravagance. What do ye s'pose you were given th' rheumatis for?"

Broken Leg

"So, how did it happen?" the doctor asks the middle-aged farmhand as he sets the man's broken leg after he fell off a roof. "Did you slip on something?"

"No," says the farmhand. "When I first started working on the farm, 25 years ago, the farmer's beautiful daughter came into my room. She ask me if there was anything I wanted. I said, 'No, everything is fine.'"

"Are you sure?" she asks. "I'm sure," I said."

"Excuse me," says the doctor. "What does this story have to do with your leg?"

"Well, this morning," the farmhand explains, "When it dawned on me what she meant, I fell off the roof."

New Jewelry

Junior and Howard Green come home from Lexington sporting big cluster rings which they show off to all the girls up on The Creek.

Pa watches all the activity then asks them, "Are those real diamonds?"

"Well if they ain't," replies Junior. "Me and Howard just got skunked out of two dollars apiece."

Even Steven

The farmer, after seven years of effort on a stony farm, announces to all down at the store, "Anyhow, I'm holdin' my own. I hadn't nothin' when I come here, an' I haven't nothin' now."

Weight Increase

A man upon the Creek sends his daughter off to college. She comes home at break and he regards her critically, saying, "Ain't you a lot fatter than you were?"

"Yes, dad," the girl admits. "I weigh one hundred and forty pounds stripped for 'gym.'"

The father stares for a moment in horrified amazement, then shouts, "Who in thunder is Jim?"

Stumbler

Uncle Slim was driving his buggy home from across the hill after having spent too long at a local moonshiner's. In descending a hill, the horse stumbles and falls unhurt. Slim yells out, "Dang yer hide, git up thar-or I'll drive smack over ye!"

Rabbit Eggs

A man down on The Creek decides to grow something different this year, so he plants some large pumpkins that are solid white. Junior and Howard Green come strolling by and ask the farmer what they are.

"They're rabbit eggs," replies the farmer. "If you sit on them, they'll hatch out a rabbit!"

Junior and Howard get to thinking about it and decide they're going to hatch one out. They pick out a nice, big round one and take turns sitting on it for about a week. They are trading places when Howard slips and falls on the pumpkin, breaking it into bits. About that time, a big jack rabbit that had been hiding behind it took off zig zagging through the field. Howard takes off running after it, shouting, "Hey, there! Stop! don't you know your own daddy?"

I Know His Writing

After the snow stops, Pa and Farmer Green are going into town for some supplies. As they stop at the railroad crossing, Green notices that someone had stopped to pee and had written a bad word in the snow.

"That's my boy Junior," says Pa. "He would do something like that."

"No," says Green, "I'm sure it was my Howard."

"Well, I'm sure it was Junior," says Pa.

"What?" replies Green. "You think I don't know my own boy's writing!"

Letter to the Editor

Recognizing Small Churches

So often, the small churches in our communities do not receive the acknowledgment that they deserve in doing God's work. Most churches strive to grow and as they grow they receive more and more recognition for the good work that they do. However, so often the small church do as much or more on a per capita basis than even the larger churches. I am a member of the Wisemantown United Methodist Church but am so impressed with the work of one of our sister churches, Cedar Grove United Methodist Church. They have a small congregation but are regularly recognized by the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Church as contributing on a per capita level more than any of the other churches in the Conference to the Methodist Children's Home in Versailles. They also provide generous fund-

ing for children to attend the Aldersgate Camp here in our county.

Cedar Grove also gave generously to the joint project of a Day Camp for local children to attend as a Vacation Bible School.

However, the most recent show of benevolence has been the outstanding contribution to the project of building a new barn at Aldersgate Camp when the old one had to be torn down and the animals there needed shelter.

Cedar Grove gave a very generous contribution for purchasing materials to build the barn. Cedar Grove's lay leader, Charlie Park, is always proud to say that his church is a "giving church".

I think that it is important for our community to follow their example and look for ways to serve people and especially the youth of our community and area.

Tom Bonny

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U.S. Postal Service asks customers to clear walkways and areas around mailboxes of snow and ice

Following the large snowfall that fell this past weekend, Postal officials are asking for the public's cooperation in keeping mailboxes, steps, and sidewalks clear of snow and ice so letter carriers are able to provide the safest, most efficient delivery service possible.

The Postal Service's Kentuckiana District officials are making a concerted effort to raise public awareness of the importance of keeping walkways, sidewalks, and approaches to mailboxes clear from snow and ice in the interest of neighborhood safety. In addition to enabling letter carriers to provide safe and timely mail delivery, clear paths also are much safer for family members and neighbors traveling to school, going to work, and shopping at nearby businesses.

The Postal Service is asking customers to help keep their letter carrier safe this winter through the following actions:

- Clear enough snow from curbside boxes to allow mail trucks to approach the box, deliver the mail and to drive away from the box without danger of the need for backing.
- Walkways should be cleared of snow and ice and allow enough traction to avoid slips, trips or falls.
- Steps should also be kept clear of ice and snow and in good repair so as not to cause injury to the letter carriers or others who visit the customer's home.
- Overhangs should be clear and free of snow and ice to avoid injury.

Residents who receive delivery to roadside mailboxes also must keep the approach to, and exit from, the mailbox clear of snow or any other obstacles, like trash cans and other vehicles. The carrier needs to get in, and then out, without leaving the vehicle or backing up.

Customers with questions or comments about their mail service can call toll-free 1-800-ASK-USPS (1-800-275-8777) or send an e-mail to the Postal Service by clicking on Contact Us at the bottom of the Postal Service's homepage, www.usps.com.

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