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## Maudie's Naughties



### Grounds for Divorce

A judge is interviewing a woman regarding her pending divorce. He asks, "What are the grounds for your divorce?"

She replies, "About four acres and a nice little home in the middle of the property with a stream running by."

"No," he says, "I mean what is the foundation of this case?"

"It is made of concrete, brick, and mortar," she responds.

"I mean," he continues, "what are your relations like?"

"I have an aunt and uncle living here in town; and so do my husband's parents."

He says, "Do you have a real grudge?"

"No," she replies, "We have a two-car carport and have never really needed one."

"Please," he tries again, "Is there any infidelity in your marriage?"

"Yes, both my son and daughter have stereo sets. We don't necessarily like the music, but the answer to your question is yes."

"Ma'am, does your husband ever beat you up?"

"Yes," she responds, "About twice a week he gets up earlier than I do."

Finally, in frustration, the judge asks, "Lady, why do you want a divorce?"

"Oh, I don't want a divorce," she replies. "I've never wanted a divorce. My husband does. He said he can't communicate with me."

### The Owl Hooter

One evening an avid bird watcher stands in his backyard and hears an owl hoot. So he thinks he'll give a hoot back. To his surprise and delight the bird hoots again. The next night the same scenario occurs.

All summer, the man and his feathered friend hoot back and forth. He even keeps a log of the "conversations." Just as he thinks he is on the verge of a breakthrough in inter-species communication, his wife has a chat with her next door neighbor.

"My husband spends his nights calling to owls," the wife comments.

"That's odd," the neighbor replies. "So does mine..."

### Back to School

A letter from a son at school to his father...

School is really great. I am making lots of friends and studying hard. With all my stuff, I simply can't think of anything I need, so if you like, you can just send me a card, as I would love to hear from you.  
**Love, Your Son.**

A week later... the response from Dad arrived:

Dear Son,  
I know that astronomy, economics and oceanography are enough to keep even a home student busy. Do not forget that the pursuit of knowledge is a noble task and you can never study enough.  
**Love, Dad.**

### The Little Turtle

A little turtle begins to climb a tree slowly. After long hours of effort... he reaches the top, jumps into the air waving his front legs, until he crashes heavily into the ground with a hard knock on his shell.

After recovering his consciousness, he starts to climb the tree again, jumps again, and knocks the ground heavily again.

The little turtle persists again and again while a couple of birds sitting at the edge of a branch, watch the turtle with pain. Suddenly the female bird says to the male, "Dear, I think it's time to tell our little turtle he is adopted."

### The Violin

Little Johnny is practicing the violin in the living room... while his Uncle is trying to read in the den. The family dog is lying in the den, and as the screeching sounds of little Johnny's violin reaches his ears, he begins to howl loudly.

Uncle listens to the dog and the violin as long as he can. Then he jumps up, slams his paper to the floor and yells above the noise, "For pity's sake, can't you play something the dog doesn't know!"

### Words of Wit

- Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys. - P.J. O'Rourke, Civil Libertarian
- A liberal is someone who feels a great debt to his fellow man, which debt he proposes to pay off with your money. - G. Gordon Liddy
- A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul. - George Bernard Shaw

## Estill County Schools Director of Pupil Personnel

### School Attendance Is Important For Increasing Student Knowledge

It's that time again! School is set to begin on Tuesday, August 5th. The summer has been short and it is time to sharpen those pencils and get back to work. I want to take a few lines to remind everyone of the importance of good attendance.

Everyone thinks attendance is important because of money for the schools. While this argument is true,

attendance is more important for increasing student knowledge. Anytime a student is absent or tardy, they are missing out on learning. Students that are chronically absent or tardy, are missing out on vast amounts of learning... Most of it they may need in the future.

Whether a student realizes or not, they are learning something new every day in school. If you are absent,

you may miss out on learning about something you will need later in life. It just takes a little bit of effort to get up and go on to school. Go ahead... Do it... Your future may thank you for it.

This school year, I will be focusing on improving attendance in every grade level. I am going to work with parents/guardians in any way possible to get students

to school every day and on time. Remember, it's my job and the laws of the State of Kentucky say students have to go to school. Your grades, test scores and knowledge level will all improve, if you just come to school. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call me at 606-723-2181.

**Dickie Arthur**  
Director of Pupil Personnel  
Estill County Schools

## Hon. Bo Leach of Kentucky Completes Special Court Jurisdiction: Advanced at The National Judicial College

The National Judicial College (NJC) is pleased to announce that the Hon. William "Bo" Leach of the 23rd District Court, presiding over Estill, Lee and Owsley counties in Kentucky has completed Special Court Jurisdiction: Advanced, June 2-12, 2014, at The National Judicial College in Reno, Nev.

This course is designed for special court judges who were recently appointed or elected. Filled with valuable information and practice opportunities in all of the areas that new judges encounter in the courtroom, participants will devise strategies and learn skills to assist in traffic court, small claims, misdemeanor cases, and cases involving alcohol/drug use and family violence.

The National Judicial College was founded in 1963 and is the nation's leading provider of judicial education.

The NJC is housed in a state-of-the-art building on the historic 255-acre campus of the University of Nevada, Reno. For over 50 years, the NJC has been offering courses to improve judicial productivity, challenge current perceptions of justice and inspire judges to achieve judicial excellence. With courses held onsite, across the nation and around the world, the NJC offers an average of 90 courses annually with more than 4,000 judges enrolling from all 50 states, U.S. territories and more than 150 countries.

The NJC and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges assisted the University of Nevada, Reno, in developing one of the nation's first master's and Ph.D. in judicial studies programs. Both programs provide a formal academic setting in which trial judges can integrate technical and academic studies to attain an intellectual understanding of the American judiciary.

The NJC is also home to the National Tribal Judicial Center and an International Program. The College's curricula include a Seminar Series, made up of courses that provide judges the opportunity to study diverse and interesting topics at historically and culturally rich locations across the United States. Web-based courses are also offered enabling

participants to explore a variety of subject areas online. The National Judicial College has an appointed 18-member Board of Trustees and became a Nevada not-for-profit (501)(c)(3) educational corporation on January 1, 1978. Please visit the NJC website at [www.judges.org](http://www.judges.org) for NJC news, ways to donate, course information and more. Or, call (800) 25-JUDGE for more information.

## Attention Veterans

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the National Guard Armory, 335 Cow Creek Road, Ravenna, on Thursday, August 7, 2013 and the first Thursday of each month. The hours are 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Veterans and their dependants will receive assistance filing for Federal and state veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, please call toll free within Kentucky, 1-866-376-0308, to speak with a Veterans Benefits Field Representative.

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