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Maudie's Naughties



Twins Town

An out of state visitor is amazed to see several pairs of twins around town. At the dollar store, he even sees one woman with three pairs of twins following her around. Unable to contain his curiosity, he says, "Goodness! Do you get twins every time?" "Heck, no," She replies. "Most of the time we don't get anything at all."

Paying Debts

Jim and Dave are walking in downtown Sikeston, Missouri when a mugger assaults them with a gun and announces, "This is a stick-up. Get into that alley and then give me all your money."

As they're walking down the alley Dave fishes out his wallet and removes a few of the bills. He hands them to Jim and whispers, "Here you go, man."

Jim takes the money and looks at Dave with a puzzled expression . . . so Dave explains, "Don't you remember? That's the hundred bucks I owed you."

The Three Bears

It's a sunny morning in Big Forest and the Bear family is just waking up. Baby Bear goes downstairs and sits in his small chair at the table. He looks into his small bowl. It is empty!

"Who's been eating my porridge?!" he squeaks.

Daddy Bear arrives at the table and sits in his big chair. He looks into his big bowl. It is also empty!

"Who's been eating my porridge?!" he roars.

Mummy Bear puts her head through the serving hatch from the kitchen and screams, "Do I have to go through this routine every morning? - I haven't made your porridge yet!!"

Bear Identification

How to tell the species of bear you are looking at . . . Go over to him and kick him in the behind. Climb up a nearby tree.

If he climbs the tree and eats you, he's a black bear.

If he knocks the tree down and eats you, he's a grizzly.

Bearly Knighted

There once was a kingdom ruled by a giant bear named Kosmey. The only way to become a knight in Kosmey's empire was to apply for a personal interview with the bear. This had its drawbacks. If he liked your audition, you were knighted on the spot -- but if you failed, Lord Kosmey was quite likely to club your head off your shoulders with one mighty paw.

Even so, there were many applicants -- for the peasantry were poor, and if a candidate failed for knighthood, his family received, as a booby-prize, a valuable sheepdog from the Royal Kennels. This consoled them, for truly it is written, "For the mourning after a terrible knight, nothing beats the dog of the bear that hit you."

Hicks and Cobbs

A man from Kentucky by the name of Hicks goes to New York and meets a girl who takes him to a party and is introducing him to some of her friends.

She says, "Mr. Hicks from Kentucky, I'd like you to meet Mr. Cobbs from New York."

The New York man says, "Do you know what we do with hicks here in New York?"

"No," replies Mr. Hicks. "But, I know what we do with cobs in Kentucky."

City Slickers

Bubba and Junior were out hunting deer last fall during an early snowfall. They notice a brand new, shiny SUV parked on the road and by the footprints they can tell a couple of city slickers are out hunting too.

A while later they meet the two guys dragging a dead deer toward their vehicle. Bubba tells them that the deer would drag easier if they pulled it by the head instead of the legs since the hair lies flatter that way. He and Junior continue on up the holler.

About half an hour later Junior notices that the two city slickers are coming up behind them.

"You know it's a lot easier pulling this deer like you suggested," says one. "But since we traded ends it sure seems like we're getting further and further from the vehicle!"

More Slickers

A couple of city slickers came up Needmore Holler last week, looking for the bear that someone had spotted. They came to a fork in the road where a sign says, "Bear Left." So they turned around and went home.

Scorned

A man gets up in the night to go to the bathroom, and after he had been there awhile, he hears a scream of "HEL-L-LP!" coming from the bedroom. He runs to see what is the matter and just as he enters his bedroom, he sees a guy leaping out the window. His wife cries out, "That guy just assaulted me twice!"

"Twice?" the husband replies. "Why didn't you call me the first time?"

"Because," she replies. "I thought it was you until the second time . . ."

Bear Clawed

Two city slickers show up at the hospital with extensive wounds obviously caused by a bear. "What happened?" asks the emergency room doctor.

"We heard that bear bells were good to have when you're out in bear country," answers one of the men. "We just didn't know how hard it was getting bells on a bear."

"That was your first mistake," says the doctor.

"Nope," replies the other man. "That was our second. Our first mistake was thinking that bear was asleep."

Kentucky Department of Agriculture

Celebrate the food, and the people, of Kentucky's Farmers' Markets, August 3-9

Kentucky consumers can buy nutritious local foods and honor the people who produced them at the same time by visiting a farmers' market during National Farmers' Market Week Aug. 3-9.

"At a Kentucky farmers' market, you can buy the freshest fruits and vegetables as well as meats and other foods you can serve to your family with confi-

dence," Agriculture Commissioner James Comer said. "You also can meet the people who produced those foods. They're your friends and neighbors, people you see in town or at the ballgame or at church, and when you shop at a farmers' market, you're helping them provide for their families."

More than 155 farmers' markets in Kentucky

offer a vast array of fruits and vegetables along with cheese, eggs, meats, honey, fresh cut flowers, crafts, and more. Shoppers can enjoy the sounds, smells, and tastes of Kentucky's finest foods at markets that provide sampling and live entertainment.

The Kentucky Department of Agriculture's Office of Agricultural Marketing and Product Promotion offers marketing assistance and educational training to Kentucky's farmers' markets and their vendors. "We recognize farmers' markets as viable retail outlets for

agricultural products, and we want to strengthen these markets to help Kentucky producers," said Sharon Spencer, the department's farmers' market specialist. The KDA maintains a statewide farmers' market directory and produced a comprehensive farmers' market manual and resource guide in cooperation with the Kentucky Department for Public Health.

For more information, or to find a farmers' market near you, go to <http://www.kyagr.com/market-ing/farmers-market.html>.

Ballard County Joins Schools With Free Meals For All Students

Kentucky Health News
Ballard County is the latest in Kentucky where all public schools will provide free lunch and breakfast to all students, now that more than 40 percent of its middle- and high-school students are eligible for free meals. Elementary schools has already reached the required federal threshold.

Amber Hayes, the school district's nutrition director, told the West Kentucky Star that the change would save families \$430 a year, under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Community Eligibility Provision.

"The USDA's formula for reimbursing the meals is complicated, but the Hayes said the bottom line is this: For the program to be successful and continue at BCMS/BMHS, more students have to eat breakfast every day, and every family needs to complete the Household Income Form that will be included in each student's Code of Behavioral Expectations this year," the Star reports.


"Our lunch numbers are okay," Hayes told the on-

line news outlet. "But in the middle and high schools, only about 35 percent of our students eat breakfast every day. To make this work, I'd like to see that number up to about 75 percent." To do that, she will offer "grab and go" breakfasts. "The lines will be shorter, and menus will be simplified, but they'll still get a hot, balanced meal," she said.

"Students will be able to enter their building and get a breakfast similar to what they might find at any counter-service or fast-food restaurant," the Star reports. "The menu will vary, but will feature items like chicken biscuits, whole-grain breakfast pastries, mini cinnamon rolls, pancakes, breakfast burritos and cereal bars. Milk, juice and fresh fruits also will be available."

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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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