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Maudie's Naughties



True Love

If you love something, set it free. If it comes back, it was, and always will be yours. If it never returns, it was never yours to begin with.

If it just sits in our living room, messes up your stuff, eats your food, uses your telephone, takes your money, and never behaves as if you actually set it free in the first place, you're either married to it or gave birth to it.

Old Friends

Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meet a few times a week to play cards. One day, they are playing cards when one looks at the other and says, "Now, don't get mad at me . . . I know we've been friends for a long time . . . but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what our name is!"

Her friend glares at her. For at least three minutes she just stares and glares at her. Finally, she says, "How soon do you need to know?"

Honey Hole

Pa tells a story that happened to him during this spring's mushroom season. He says he grabbed a couple of bread sacks and walked up towards Needmore Hollow to his favorite "honey hole," hoping to find a bunch of mushrooms for his and Ma's supper.

Just as he got to the edge of the woods, he notices two men sitting on a deer stand in a tree just above Pa's "honey hole." He also notices that they are Yankees, so he says, "Hey, guys, what are you doing up there?" (Translated means, "Hey, y'all. What ch'all doin'?") They are both wearing hunter orange. One is holding a fancy rod and reel and the other has an over and under shotgun.

"We are going to get some dry land fish," says one. "Yes, sir!" says the other. We're going to snag them or shoot them."

"Well," says Pa. "They won't come in unless the ground is really clean. I'll just tidy up a little around here." Pa goes around the area picking up a big mess of morels in his bread sacks and then waves goodbye to the two hunters. "Happy hunting!" he says as he goes home.

The New Driver

Pa is coasting around New Circle Road on the way to the doctor when he suddenly gets a call from Ma. "I just saw on Facebook that there's a car going the wrong way on New Circle Road. Please be careful!"

"You don't have to tell me," says Pa. "It's not just one car. There's hundreds of them!"

Little Lady

A little old lady is going up and down the halls of the nursing home. As she walks be, she flips up the hem of her nightgown and says, "Supersex."

She walks up to an elderly man in a wheelchair. Flipping her gown at him, she says, "Supersex!"

He sits silently for a moment or two and finally answers, "I'll take the soup!"

Class Assignment

Little Wilma tell her teacher a story told by her daddy, "He told me my Aunt Karen was a flight engineer in Desert Storm, and her plane got hit. She had to bail out over enemy territory, and all she had was a bottle of whiskey, a machine gun, and a machete. She drank the whiskey on the way down, so it wouldn't break, and then she landed in the middle of a hundred enemy soldiers. She killed seventy of them with the machine gun before she ran out of bullets. Then, she killed twenty more with the machete before the blade broke off. Finally, she killed the last ten with her bare hands."

"Good heavens!" says the horrified teacher. "What did your daddy tell you was the moral of that terrible story?"

"Stay the heck away from Aunt Karen when she's been drinking!"



from the Estill County Board of Education

Estill County High School Graduation Annoucement

After communication with Senior Class Officers and a survey of the Class of 2020, the Estill County Board of Education is excited to announce plans for this years' commencement ceremony.

Estill County High School Graduation is set for July 31, 2020 at 8pm. The ceremony will be held outdoors at Hoover Niece Field. The Board and I are committed to having a live graduation, but this event must follow recommendations from local, state and federal officials concerning COVID-19 and social distancing guidelines in effect at that time.

In the event this ceremony cannot take place, the Board wanted to ensure there would be a formal recognition of the senior class. With this in mind, we will be conducting a virtual graduation ceremony during the week of May 24. Mr. Yost and his staff will be providing further information concerning this event that

will be filmed over a four day period. Once editing is complete, all seniors will receive a copy of the event and it will be posted to all social media outlets. This virtual event is an additional keepsake we wish to provide the Class of 2020

These seniors have made many sacrifices during this spring and we want them to know that we honor their accomplishments as they begin the next chapter of their lives.

Congratulations Class of 2020.

- Jeff Saylor, Superintendent
- Rhonda Hardy, Board Chair
- Donna Isfort, Board Vice Chair
- Bryan Covey, Board Member
- Jenny Jo Niece, Board Member
- Shiela Samples, Board Member

Vets Keep Distance Outside Coffee Shop

VETERANS POST by Freddy Groves

I ventured into town today to check on the rumor: the town was dead, the streets empty, not a soul in sight.

It was mostly true. Very few cars were parked along the main drag, and those were in front of restaurants open for sidewalk takeout service only. I did spot a knot of people in front of the coffee shop, which was my true destination. A half dozen of the early-morning regulars (all elderly veterans) were fanned out on the sidewalk, leaning on canes or sitting in folding chairs.

I parked the car and approached the walkup service window. As I did, one of the vets whipped out a folding wooden tape measure and aimed it at me as he opened it to the full length.

"Six feet," he said. "Eight, if you count my arm."

I nodded and steered a

wide circuit around him.

At the service window the clerk shoved a small credit card reader through the window. "No cash," she said. I fumbled my one credit card into the machine, and she slid my coffee out the window, slamming it firmly afterward.

I hung around at the edge of the group, pretending to study the menu in the coffee shop window. Eventually they started talking again, and as usual, I listened.

What I heard, in the middle of this dead town, gave me hope: One veteran was looking forward to his grandson taking him out on the water. Another looked forward to the birth of another great-grandchild.

A third one was calculating the possible success of hijacking the grocery store delivery truck and making off with the toilet paper. I even heard some

laughter.

Use a brush under your nails -- better yet, keep your nails trimmed very short.

It was then that I knew we'll be OK. A constant reminder: Wash your hands with antibacterial soap, and scrub for a full minute.

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Stickeler's Puzzle



A group of student athletes was hired by the athletic department to provide security for the new workout center. Five of them had to be on duty every night. Each student was permitted to work 12 shifts only. The school needed security for 48 consecutive days until school started.

How many students were needed?

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