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Maudie's Naughties



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," she replies. "So does mine..."

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**

Bearly Mistakes

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."

Junior's going to beat up Clarence

Junior and Howard have been riding their bikes down to the river this summer and fishing quite a bit. Some guy named Clarence has been fishing across the river at Buck Creek as well.

Clarence and Junior must have taken a dislike for each other so that every day when the fish slow up biting, the two throw insults and rocks at each other across river.

Finally, Junior gets so fed up, he tells Howard that he's going to ride his bike into town and cross the bridge to Buck Creek to meet that fellow.

"I'm going to beat him up good," says Junior, as he takes off on his bike toward town. About 40 minutes later, here comes Junior rolling back up the creek on his bike, and Howard knows he hasn't had time to ride clear over to Buck Creek.

"I thought you were going to ride over to Buck Creek and beat up that fellow Clarence," says Howard.

"I was going to," replies Junior. "But somebody put up a sign down at the underpass that says, 'Warning, Clarence 13 feet, 2 inches.' He sure didn't look that big from across the river."

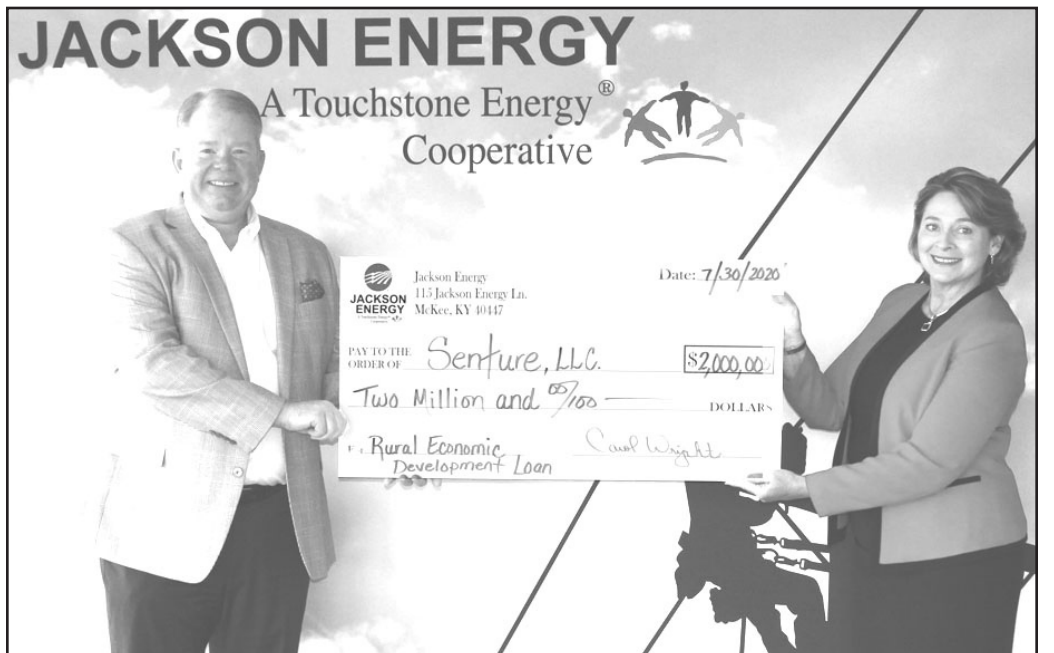


Rural Economic Development Loan Brings New Jobs to Region

A Rural Economic Development Loan (REDL) through Jackson Energy Cooperative will allow Sensure, LLC of London, Kentucky, to expand their operations and provide 500 additional jobs in the local area over a three-year period. The \$2 million dollar zero-interest loan is offered through the USDA's Rural Development office and the loans are administered by local electric cooperatives, like Jackson Energy.

Funds will be used for the purchase and installation of computer hardware, computer specialty software, furniture, and fixtures for 500 workstations at their London facility.

"The Rural Development Loan program allows Jackson Energy the opportunity to help local companies expand operations and bring new jobs to the region," said Jackson Energy President & CEO Carol Wright. "Our mission is to improve the quality of life of those we serve in our region, not only



Jackson Energy President & CEO Carol Wright presents a big check representing the \$2 million dollar Rural Economic Development Loan to Chris Deaton, President & CEO of Sensure, LLC of London, Kentucky.

by providing electric service, but also through economic development."

"This partnership with Jackson Energy Cooperative is a shining example of our Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program," said Rural Development Kentucky State

Director Hilda Legg. "The program aims to create and retain jobs in our rural areas, and this investment in Sensure LLC will create over 500 jobs! I love seeing the ways our rural electric cooperatives are branching out - from economic development to last-mile broadband - and

working with us to help our rural communities because when rural Kentucky thrives, America thrives!"

Sensure's headquarters is located within the Charles Pennington Industrial Park West in London, Kentucky and currently employs 2,700 employees in contact centers.

Writing project for local 'Women over 60' to begin in September

"Coming of Age," a free year-long writing project for local women over 60, begins in September. The project aims to help older women develop and share creative work.

Project leaders are Libby Falk Jones of Berea (retired faculty, Berea College) and Julianne Unsel of Irvine (retired faculty, Evergreen State University). They will offer writing tips and prompts at monthly meetings to be held in Madison and Estill Counties.

"We believe that older women have much wisdom and creativity to share with the world," Jones said.

The women will choose subjects to explore and will be able to discuss their writings with each other. The project will end

with a book publication of selected writings.

"We look forward to the group's exploring a variety of life experiences as well as our Kentucky heritage," said Unsel.

Kentucky state Covid-19 precautions will be in place at project meetings. Alternate arrangements will be made for those not wanting to meet in person.

Funded through the Kentucky Foundation for Women's Arts as Activism grants program, the program is free for participants.

For more information and to apply to join the project, contact Libby Jones at jonesl@berea.edu or Jules Unsel at unselj@evergreen.edu. Application deadline is Sept. 10.

Public Notice of Intent To Hold Meeting by Phone

The next meeting of the Ravenna City Council will be held by phone on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public and can be accessed using the information listed below.

MEETING WILL BE HELD BY TELEPHONE AT THE FOLLOWING:
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