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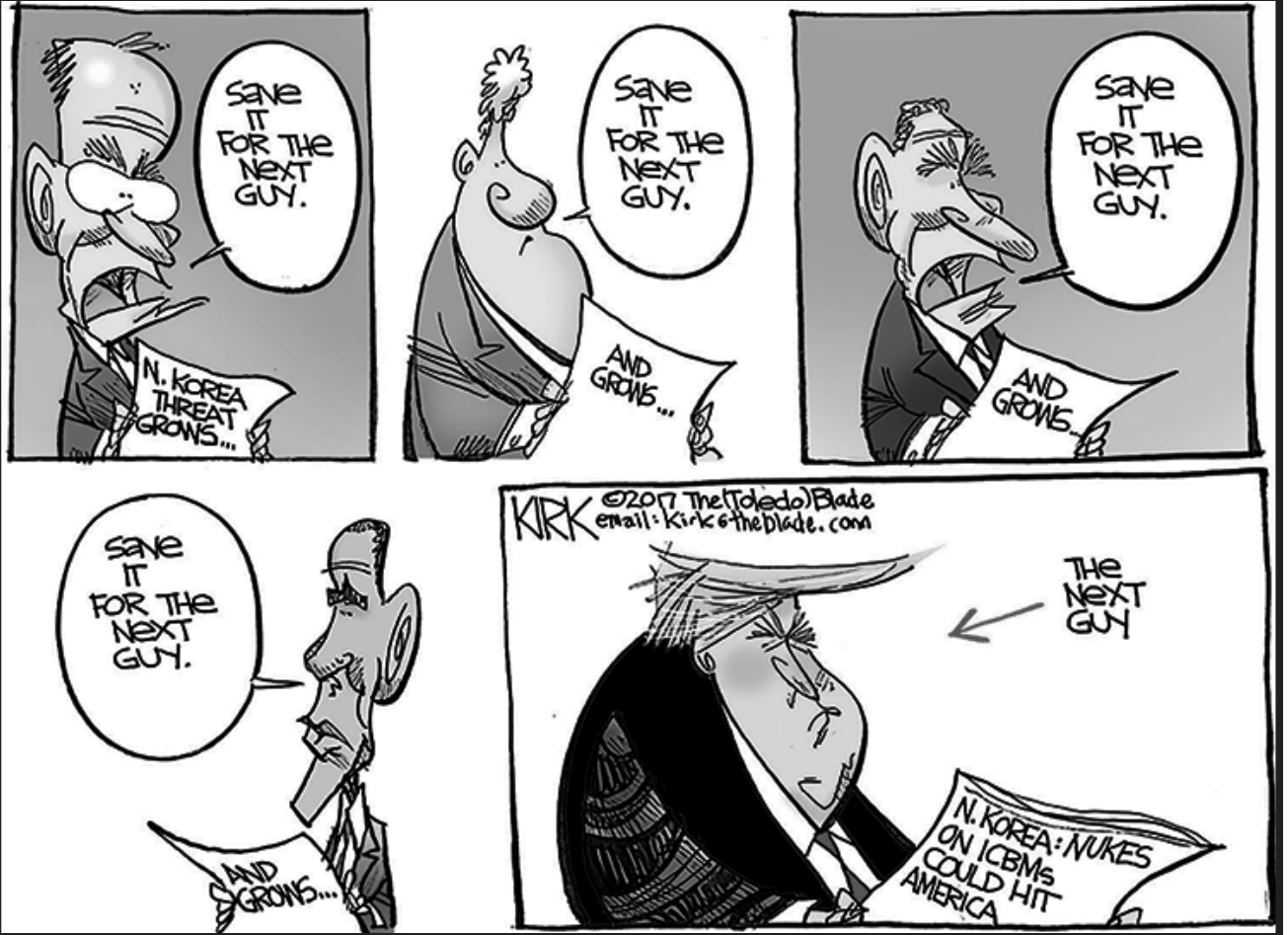
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Maudie's Naughties



The Bagpiper

As a bagpiper, I play many gigs. Recently I was asked by a funeral director to play at a graveside service for a homeless man. He had no family or friends, so the service was to be at a pauper's cemetery in the Kentucky back-country.

As I was not familiar with the backwoods, I got lost; and being a typical man I didn't stop for directions. I finally arrived an hour late and saw the funeral guy had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere in sight. There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. I felt badly and apologized to the men for being late.

I went to the side of the grave and looked down and the vault lid was already in place. I didn't know what else to do, so I started to play. The workers put down their lunches and began to gather around. I played out my heart and soul for this man with no family and friends. I played like I've never played before for this homeless man. And as I played 'Amazing Grace,' the workers began to weep. They wept, I wept, we all wept together. When I finished I packed up my bagpipes and started for my car. Though my head hung low, my heart was full.

As I was opening the door to my car, I heard one of the worker say, "I never seen nothin' like that before and I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years."

Call Home

A woman is in bed with her husband's best friend when the phone rings. She answers the phone while he quietly listens to one side of the conversation.

"Hello? Oh, hi. I'm so glad that you called. Really? That's wonderful. I am so happy for you. That sounds terrific. Great! Thanks. Okay. Bye bye."

She hangs up the telephone, and he asks, "Who was that?" "Oh," she replies, "That was my husband telling me all about the wonderful time he's having on his fishing trip with you."

The Therapist

A noted therapist realizes that people often lie about the frequency of their romantic encounters. So he devises a test to tell for certain by looking at a person's smile.

To prove his theory, he fills up an auditorium with people, and goes down the line, asking each person to smile. Using the size of the person's smile, the therapist is able to guess accurately until he comes to the last man in line, an elderly gentleman, who is grinning from ear to ear.

"Twice a day," the therapist guesses, but is surprised when the man says no. "Once a day, then?" Again the answer is no.

"Twice a week?" "No." "Twice a month?" "No." The man finally says yes when the doctor gets to "once a year."

The therapist is angry that his theory isn't working, and asks the elderly gentleman, "Then, what the heck are you so happy about?"

The gent answers, "Tonight's the night!"

Bragging Rights

Four guys are drinking in a bar, bragging about their children. "My son," the first one says, "Started out washing cars at a dealership, but now owns the dealership and just gave one of his friends four new cars of her choice!"

"My son," says the second, "Started out serving lunch in a real estate office, but now owns the real estate office and just gave one of his friends a new mansion!"

"My son," says the third, "Started out sweeping the floors at the Stock Exchange, but now practically owns the Stock Exchange and just gave one of his friends a \$1,000,000 in stock."

"Well," the fourth guy says, "My daughter's turned out to be a bit of a disappointment. She works at a restaurant for minimum wage and tips, but she has SEVERAL boyfriends. On the plus side, between them, they gave her four cars, a mansion, and a million dollars in stock for her birthday."

Bank Guard

Lem: "I got fired from my job as a bank guard."

Clem: "That's awful. What happened?"

Lem: "Well a thief came in to rob the bank. I drew my gun. I told him that if he took one more step, I'd let him have it."

Clem: "What did the thief do then?"

Lem: "He took one more step... so I let him have it... I never liked guns much anyhow!"

The Checkup

A senior couple goes to the doctor for the husband's annual checkup. The husband is hard of hearing so when the doctor calls his name, He says, "What did he say?" to his wife.

His wife says, "It's your turn" and the man goes in to be examined.

When the doctor finishes, they come out to the waiting room and the doctor explains to the wife that except for a slight hearing problem the man seems to be in good shape.

He then says to the man that he would now need a urine sample and a stool sample.

The man turns to his wife and says "What did he say?"

The wife says, "Give him your under shorts."

To: All Stakeholders of the Estill County School District

Passage of the "Recallable Nickel"

It is an exciting time in the Estill County School District as we begin a new school year. This letter is to thank the citizens of Estill County who listened to the presentations concerning the "Recallable Nickel" and their willingness to have an open mind concerning this very important issue. I also want to thank my leadership team that stood by my side as we promoted this opportunity and shared information throughout the community about the cost to the individual taxpayer and

the benefits of this initiative to our students. When you look at all the facts, it is completely understandable why this community rallied around this issue. In the end, the students are the real winners in this endeavor because our upgraded facilities will create new learning opportunities for them, and this will have a positive impact on our community for years to come.

A tax increase is a controversial subject, so I want to let all of our citizens that did

not support a tax increase know that we fully understand that it is your right to voice your opinion. Not once will you find a time that I said, "if you do not support the "Nickel", then you do not support our children." Now that the process is finished, I can only ask that you will now move forward with us and I promise that every nickel will be used to upgrade our school facilities.

What does this mean for the Estill County School District? The "Recallable Nickel" will generate approximately \$18 million dollars in bonding potential. This along with the Work Ready Skills Initiative Grant of \$5.7 million dollars gives our district over \$24 million dollars for construction of new facilities and renovation of current facilities. The board has already begun the process to design and build the new Estill County Career and Technology Center by soliciting proposals for architectural services. Over

the next several weeks, the board will need to determine how they wish to proceed with the other identified projects listed in our facility plan. These include renovations at Estill Springs, Estill County Middle School, Estill County High School and several identified athletic facilities.

As we begin this journey together, my prayer will be that everyone in Estill County will join us and work together to promote the Mission and Vision of this school district. Through our commitment to be open and above board in conducting the everyday business of this district we will continue to stay focused on our mission. It will take a community effort to meet the needs of EVERY Child in Estill County and help us become a District of Excellence. Get "On Board" and join us. Great things are happening here in Estill County.

Sincerely, Jeff Saylor,
Superintendent
Estill County Schools

August 20-26 is Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week

Kentucky Gov. Matt Bevin has proclaimed August 20 - 26 as "Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week."

"Our Kentucky Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Committee (ESGR) joins our governor in thanking the many employers and individuals who support the men and women in the Commonwealth who serve in our reserve forces," said Allen Youngman, Kentucky ESGR chairman and former major general and Kentucky adjutant general.

"Our employers have shown great resolve and patriotism and oftentimes go beyond and above the legal, required level of support. Our committee firmly believes that the men and

women who serve in the reserve forces make superior employees.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, more than 20,000 Kentucky Guard and Reserve members have left their families and employers to serve in overseas contingency operations. ESGR is a Department of Defense office that seeks to foster a culture in which all employers support and value the employment and military service of the members of the National Guard and Reserve in the United States. Paramount to ESGR's mission is encouraging employment of Guardsmen and Reservists who bring integrity, global perspective and proven leadership to the civilian workforce.

Crowe has been elected as delegate of 134th Angus Association Convention

Jason E. Crowe, Irvine, Kentucky, has been elected as a delegate to the 134th Annual American Angus Association® Convention of Delegates, Nov. 6 at the Fort Worth Convention Center in Fort Worth, Texas, reports Allen Moczygemba, CEO of the American Angus Association.

Crowe, a member of the American Angus Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo., is one of 331 Angus breeders who have been elected by fellow members in their state to serve as a representative at the annual meeting. Representing 44 states and the District of Columbia, the delegates will participate in the business meeting and elect new officers and five directors to the American Angus Association board.

The annual meeting will take place in conjunction with the 2017 Angus Convention, Nov. 4-6, in Fort

Worth, Texas. The event is open to anyone in the cattle business and will feature high-profile keynote speakers; educational sessions, including thought leaders from every industry sector; the International Genomics Symposium, sponsored by Neogen GeneSeek operations; Angus University, sponsored by Merck Animal Health; entertainment; evening galas; prize giveaways; and an expansive trade show. Visit www.angusconvention.com to learn more or to register. The early registration discount of \$125 ends Sept. 30.

The American Angus Association is the nation's largest beef breed organization, serving nearly 25,000 members across the United States, Canada and several other countries. For more information about Angus cattle and the 2016 convention, visit www.ANGUS.org

The next official GED test date in Estill County will be Sat., Sept. 9th. Please call 723-7323 for information

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