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Landing

Bambi and Trixie are trying to land an airplane. They start descending and as they touch the ground Trixie screams, "Bambi, pull up, the runaway is ending!" She swiftly gets the plane back up in the air. They make a big turn and start descending again.

The moment they touch the ground, Trixie screams again, "Get the plane up, Bambi, the runaway is ending!"

Bambi swiftly gets the plane back up in the air. They make a big turn and start descending again. This goes on again and again . . . During their fourth descent Bambi says, "This is so dumb, Trixie, they build this huge and expensive airport but with such a short runaway."

"I know," answers, "But look how wide they made it!"

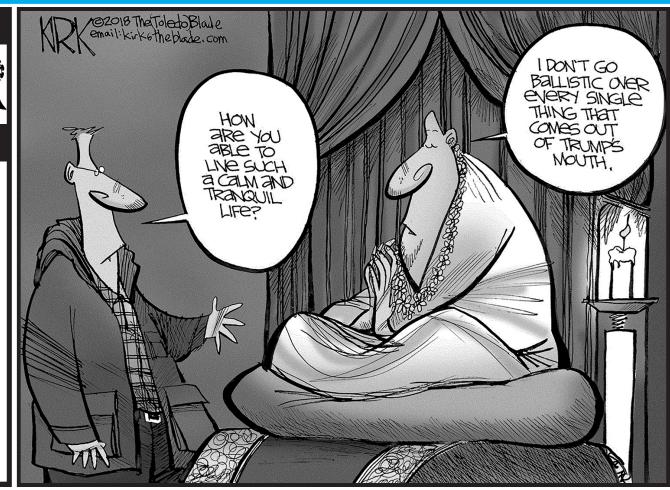
Sound Mindedness

One day at a mental hospital, while a couple is walking past the hospital swimming pool, Jim slips and falls into the deep end. He sinks to the bottom of the pool and stays there. Edna promptly jumps in to save him. She swims to the bottom and pulls Jim out.

When the head nurse director becomes aware of Edna's heroic act she immediately orders her to be discharged from the hospital, as she now considers her to be mentally stable.

When she goes to tell Edna the news she says, "Edna, I have good news and bad news. The good news is you're being discharged; since you were able to rationally respond to a crisis by jumping in and saving the life of another patient. I have concluded that your act displays sound mindedness

The bad news is that Jim, the patient you saved, hung himself in the bathroom with his bathrobe belt right after



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This Week at the State Capitol Proposed constitutional amendment on victims' rights is first measure approved by General Assembly in 2018

sembly this year is a measure that will allow voters to decide ment through mutual, closed-end and exchange-traded funds on a "bill of rights" for crime victims.

Senate Bill 3, more commonly known as Marsy's Law, proposes adding a section to the Kentucky Constitution to give crime victims constitutional rights similar to those afforded to the convicted or accused.

The right to notice of proceedings, the right to reasonable protection from the accused, and the right to legal "standing," which would give victims the constitutional right to assert their rights in court, are some of the rights included in Marsy's Law.

Kentucky currently has crime victims' rights listed in statute, but not in the state's constitution.

Whether Kentucky amends the state constitution to join at least 6 other states that have adopted Marsy's Law will ultimately be left up to the voters this fall.

Other bills and resolutions that advanced in the General Assembly this week include:

• SB 71 would require the inclusion of abstinence education in any sexual education curriculum offered by schools. The bill would not limit sex education to an abstinence-only curriculum. The measure was approved by the Senate on Jan. 24 by a 32-5 vote and has been sent to the House for further consideration.

• House Concurrent Resolution 34 asks the federal drug control agencies to accelerate research on the "safety and effectiveness" of medical marijuana. HCR 34 passed the House 73-5 on Jan. 24 and now goes to the Senate for consideration. If approved by both chambers, the resolution would be sent to the FDA, National Institute on Drug Abuse and Drug En-

The first bill passed by both chambers of the General As- allow cities and counties to pursue more aggressive investand high-quality corporate bonds, all within certain limits and under the guidance of a professional investment adviser.

> • SB 72 would curtail the time-honored tradition of naming state buildings and roads after living politicians in Kentucky. The legislation would specifically prohibit the naming of any state building, transportation project, program or initiative after a living statewide current or former constitutional officer, state legislator, state judge or state employee. SB 72 was approved by the Senate State and Local Government Committee on Jan. 24 and now goes to the Senate floor for further consideration.

> If you'd like to share feedback on issues under consideration with state lawmakers, please call the General Assembly's toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181.



The Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the Estill County Public Library, 246 Main Street in Irvine, on Thursday, February 8th and normally 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.

you saved him. I am so sorry, but he's dead.

Edna replies "He didn't hang himself, I put him there to dry. How soon can I go home?"

Genies Are Not Real

Junior, Bubba and Howard Green are stuck on an island. One day, they are walking along the beach and discover a magic lamp. They rub and rub, and sure enough out pops a genie. The genie says, "Since I can only grant three wishes, you may each have one."

Bubba says, "I've been stuck here for days. I miss my family, my wife, and my life. I just want to go home."

POOF! Bubba gets his wish and he is returned to his family.

Then, Junior says, "I miss Ma and Pa and my favorite hunting dog. I wish I could go home too."

POOF! Junior gets his wish and he is returned to Needmore.

Howard looks so depressed, the genie asks, "Hey, what's the matter?"

"I wish my friends were still here."

Women And Men

Women are like apples on trees. The best ones are at the top of the tree. Most men don't want to reach for the good ones because they are afraid of falling and getting hurt Instead, they just get the apples from the ground that aren't as good, but easy to get . . . So the apples at the top think something is wrong with them, when in reality, they're amazing. They just have to wait for the right man to come along, the one who's brave enough to climb all the way to the top of the tree. Share this with other women who are good apples, even those who have already been picked!

And . . . Men? Men are like a fine wine. They start out as grapes, and it's up to women to stomp the crap out of them until they turn into something acceptable to have dinner with.

Too Much Sunshine

Esmerelda, Mitzi and Bambi are walking around a junkyard looking for a part for Esmerelda's car. The sun is so hot each one decides to use a piece of a car to keep the sun out of their eyes.

Esmerelda holds up a rim in her hands and says, "Gosh, that's much better," she says as she puts the hub cap over head like a cap to keep the sun away.

Mitzi hoists a seat on her shoulders and said, "Gosh, I'm hottoo!" as she puts the seat over her head to keep the sun out.

Bambi grabs a left front door and says, "Gosh, I'm hot, too!' So she rolls down the window and sticks her head out and said, "Ahhh, hey girls, can you fell the breeze!?!?!?"

Stayin'Alive

A cowboy tells his grandson the secret to a long life. He says, "You gotta sprinkle a little gunpowder on your oatmeal, see. If you do, you'll live to a nice ripe old age."

So the cowboy does this religiously every day, and sure enough, lives to the nice ripe old age of 96.

When he dies he leaves behind four children, eight grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren...

... and a 16-foot hole in the wall of the crematorium.

forcement Administration.

• SB 37, which was approved by the Senate Transportation Committee on Jan. 24, would allow some federal and state prisoners to get driver's licenses so they could participate in work programs or re-entry initiatives outside of prison walls. The bill now goes to the Senate floor for further consideration.

• SB 68 was approved to clarify that a victim of domestic violence is not required to pay the legal fees of a spouse in a divorce action when the spouse is incarcerated for crimes against the petitioner. Under current state law, someone seeking a divorce against an incarcerated person can be held responsible for paying the incarcerated person's court-appointed lawyer, even when the imprisonment is the result of spousal abuse. The bill was approved unanimously by the Senate Judiciary Committee on Jan. 25 and now goes to the full Senate for consideration.

• House Bill 75, which would give local governments more ways to increase revenue, is on its way to the Senate after passing the House by 95-0 vote on Jan. 23. The bill would



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