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Maudie's Naughties



Foggy Night in Needmore

Esmerlda follows a taillight up Needmore Hollow during a dense fog and crashes into the car ahead of her when it stops suddenly. "Why didn't you let me know you were going to stop?" she yells into the mist.

"Why should I?" comes a voice out of the fog. "I'm in my own garage!"

Runaway Car

Junior and his friend Howard Green are hanging out in front of the gas station when suddenly they see a driverless car headed straight for the pumps. Junior runs to the car, jumps in and pulls on the emergency brake with a jerk. He gets out and proudly says to a man that is approaching him, "I stopped it!"

"I know you did," says the breathless man. "I ran out of gas, and had pushed it ALMOST to the pumps."

Vehicle Break-Ins

A student commuting to UK is fed up of having his car broken into and having his electronic equipment and other items removed. So, he decides to leave a note on the dash saying that there is no point breaking into the car since there is nothing left inside to steal. He returns after classes to find a smashed in window and a new note, next to his on the dash, that says, "I'm sorry that I didn't trust you!"

New Driver

An independent trucker decides he needs some help on some long hauls so he hires a new guy to help with the driving. The trucker is very protective of his nearly-new rig, but the new driver seems to be doing well; so, the trucker decides to get some sleep. After a while, he is awakened suddenly when the truck hits something with a thud. "What the heck was that?" he asks the new driver.

"Oh, some kind of animal," the new guy replies. Some time later, the truck hits something again with a thud, and the trucker is awakened again. "Oh, just another animal," says the new guy. "Go back to sleep."

Moments later, the trucker is startled by three thuds in a row, and gets the same reply, "Oh, just some kind of animal." "But there were three thuds?" inquires the trucker. "Yeah," is the reply. "Well, I had to go through a couple of fences to get that one."

Which Way to Drip Rock?

A driver pulls up beside a rundown farmhouse. He gets out and knocks at the door. A very old woman answers the door, and he asks her for directions to Drip Rock.

"Don't know," the woman says. He gets back in his car and pulls away. Then he hears voices. He looks in his rearview mirror and sees the woman and an equally old man waving for him to come back. So he made a U-turn and drives up to them.

"This is my husband," the old woman says. "He says he doesn't know how to get there either."

Two Cannibals Are Having Lunch

"Your girlfriend makes a great soup," says one to the other. "Yep!" he replies. "But, I'm going to miss her terribly."

Won It In A Race

Bill: Where did you get that gold watch, Joe?
Joe: I won it in a race.
Bill: How many people participated in it?
Joe: Three, a policeman, the owner of the watch, and me!!

Brake Down

Jan's car is unreliable and she calls John for a ride every time it breaks down. One day John got yet another one of those calls. "What happened this time?" he asks.

"My brakes went out," Jan says. "Can you come to get me?"

"Where are you?" John asks.
"I'm in the drugstore," Jan responds.
"And where's the car?" John asks.
Jan replies, "It's in here with me."

The Deep, Dark Secret

At school, Little Johnny is told by a classmate that most adults are hiding at least one dark secret, which makes it very easy to blackmail them by saying, "I know the whole truth."

Little Johnny decides to go home and try it out. He goes home and tells his mother, "I know the whole truth." She quickly hands him \$20 saying, "Just don't tell your father."

Quite pleased, the boy waits for his father to get home from work, and greets him with, "I know the whole truth." The father promptly hands him \$40 and says, "Please don't say a word to your mother."

Very pleased, the boy is on his way to school the next day when he sees the mailman at his front door. The boy greets him by saying, "I know the whole truth."

The mailman immediately drops the mail, opens his arms, and says, "Then, come give your real daddy a big hug."

Ginseng harvest ban continues on national forest lands

WINCHESTER, Ky, Aug. 8, 2018 - In an effort to reestablish wild ginseng populations on national forest lands, ginseng harvest is prohibited in the Daniel Boone National Forest. The agency issued a ban on ginseng harvest in 2016.

"After years of noticeable ginseng decline across the forest, we stopped issuing permits to collect ginseng as a way to proactively stop the decline," said Forest Supervisor Dan Olsen.

"Some recovery time is needed for ginseng to become reestablished in the forest as a healthy, self-sustaining population."

The root of ginseng plants is marketed internationally as an herbal medicine for various ailments, but Western research has provided no conclusive evidence of beneficial health claims.

Much of wild ginseng's decline is attributed to illegal harvest methods. Overharvesting, out-of-season collection, the taking of mature plants without planting seed for future crops, and the taking of all or most plants from a population are some of the contributing factors.

"Forest Service biologists have observed decreasing ginseng numbers for years now," said Forest Service botanist David Taylor. "It finally reached a point that harvest needed to be managed more closely."

"The illegal harvest and poaching of ginseng is a problem across southern Appalachia, and in some areas, the species has completely disappeared," said Taylor.

In wild ginseng's population range, Kentucky ranks at the top in ginseng harvests. Other states with high collection rates include West Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina.

To provide for future crops, wild ginseng collectors in Kentucky are required by law to plant seeds from harvested plants within 50 feet of the harvest location. The plants collected must be at least five years old and have three or more leaves.

On national forest lands, anyone removing wild ginseng plant or its parts is considered theft. Penalties for poaching may include a fine up to \$5,000 or a 6-month sentence in federal prison, or both.

The Kentucky state regulations for ginseng harvest are different from rules that apply in the Daniel Boone National Forest. For state information regarding ginseng harvest, visit the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's website at <http://www.kyagr.com/marketing/ginseng.html>.

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Attention Veterans

The Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the Estill County Public Library, 246 Main Street in Irvine, on Thursday, September 6th 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.

Estill Republican Executive Committee

The Estill County Republican Executive Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, August 21, at Steam Engine Session Room, at 7:00 p.m. We have several upcoming activities that we would like to share with you. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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