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Maudie's Naughties



Vacation

Billy Bob and Luther are talking one afternoon when Billy Bob tells Luther, "Ya know, I reckon I'm 'bout ready for a vacation. Only this year I'm gonna do it a little different.

"The last few years, I took your advice about where to go. Three years ago you said to go to Hawaii. I went to Hawaii and Earline got pregnant. Then two years ago, you told me to go to the Bahamas, and Earline got pregnant again. Last year you suggested Tahiti and darned if Earline didn't get pregnant again."

"So, what you gonna do this year that's different?"

"This year," says Billy Bob. "I'm taking Earline with me."

College Girls

A group of college girls stop by the retirement home where they walk by three elderly gents sitting on a bench. As each of the young ladies pass by the three men stare intently.

When the prettiest of them all walks by, one of the men says, "I'd like to give her a hug."

"I'd like to give her a kiss," adds the second man.

And the third old man says, "What were some of the other things we used to say?"

Free Vacation

A travel agent looks up from his desk to see an older lady and an older gentleman peering in the shop window at the posters showing the glamorous destinations around the world. The agent had had a good week and the dejected couple looking in the window gave him a rare feeling of generosity.

He calls them into his shop and says, "I know that on your pension you could never hope to have a holiday, so I am sending you off to a fabulous resort at my expense, and I won't take no for an answer."

He takes them inside and asks his secretary to write two flight tickets and book a room in a five star hotel. They, as can be expected, gladly accept, and are on their way.

About a month later the little lady comes in to his shop. "And how did you like your holiday?" he asks eagerly.

"The flight was exciting and the room was lovely," she says.

"Well," he asks, "How did your husband like it?"

"Husband?" she replies. "I'd never laid eyes on that man until the morning you gave us the tickets."

Moonshine

Syrus comes to town one day carrying a jug of moonshine in one hand and a shotgun in the other. He stops a man on the street, says to him: "Here, friend, take a drink outta my jug." The man protests, saying he never drinks.

Syrus levels his shotgun at the man and commands: "Drink!"

The stranger drinks, shudders, shakes, shivers and coughs. "My goodness! That's awful stuff!"

"Yep!" replies Syrus. "Now you hold the gun on me while I take a swig."

True Friend

A good friend will come bail you out of jail... but, a true friend will be sitting next to you saying, "Dang... that was fun."

Wife Problems

A guy is in a bar, and, after a few drinks, sobs to the bartender that he found his wife in a house of ill repute.

"You shouldn't be so unhappy about it," says the bartender. "It actually sounds a little romantic."

"Oh, yeah," says the man. "Well, she thought I was bowling, and I thought she was home taking care of the kids."

Burst Pipe

A pipe bursts in a lawyer's house, so he calls a plumber. The plumber arrives, unpacks his tools, does mysterious plumber-type things for a while, then hands the lawyer a bill for \$600.

The lawyer exclaims, "This is ridiculous! I don't even make that much as a lawyer!"

The plumber replies, "Neither did I... when I was a lawyer."

Leadership Kentucky's BRIGHT Class of 2019

The inaugural BRIGHT Kentucky class, a program from Leadership Kentucky, graduated in Morehead on Friday, November 22, 2019. Forty-seven civic and community leaders from across the Appalachian region of Kentucky, including Lucas Barnes of Estill County, celebrated completion of the program at the Morehead Conference Center.

BRIGHT Kentucky is designed to build the capacity of next-generation leaders (average age 20-40) in the Appalachian region of Kentucky to innovate, collaborate, and advance community and economic development. BRIGHT Kentucky engages bright, entrepreneurial minds from all sectors and regions to offer non-partisan, ethical leadership training, expanded networks, and mentors designed especially for residents of the fifty-four Kentucky counties of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). Following graduation, participants are prepared to think long-term and strategically build upon the strengths of their communities and newly formed networks to lead the region to a more prosperous future.

"BRIGHT Kentucky has been such a learning and growing experience for me, both personally and professionally," said Nicole Winkleman, member of the BRIGHT Kentucky Class of 2019. "I have been inspired in so many ways - inspired to do more for my community, inspired to collaborate more to improve the region, and inspired to work on my development as a person and a leader. Because of BRIGHT, great things are going to happen."

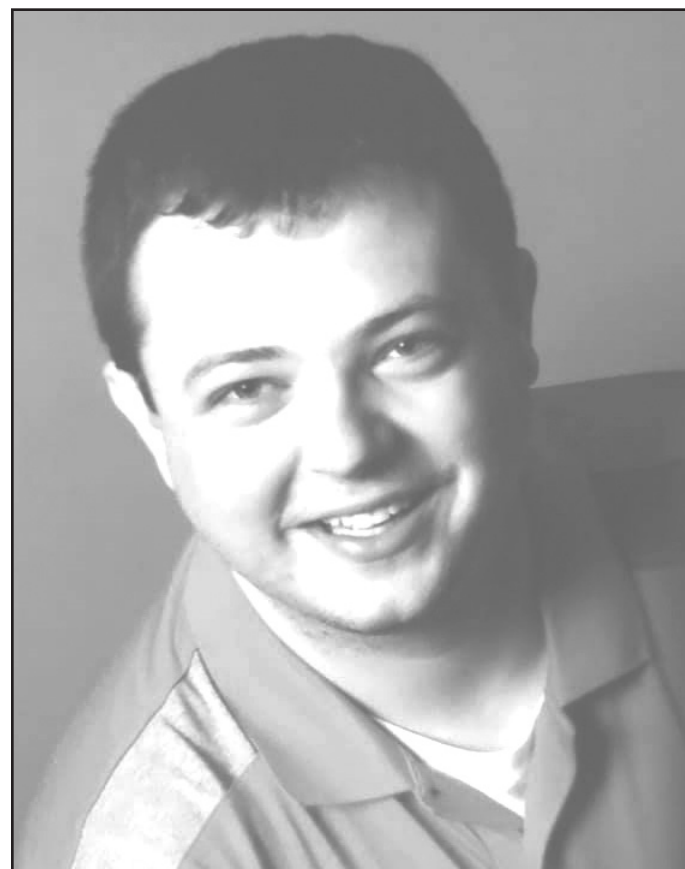
The program, which ran July through November, took participants across Eastern Kentucky including: Natural Bridge Region in July, Big Sandy Region and Cumberland Region in September, the Daniel Boone Region in October, and the Gateway Region in November. BRIGHT Kentucky is made possible by a \$500,000 Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) grant and private funding from the Whitaker Foundation, Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR), and others. The ARC is an economic development agency of the federal government and thirteen state governments, including Kentucky, focusing on 420 counties across the Appalachian Region.

"The BRIGHT program is a call to action. Effective leadership requires action and is best measured by results. The participants have been challenged to identify various projects to improve their region and exercise ethical leadership and regional collaboration to render success," said Elmer Whitaker, former Leadership Kentucky Board Chair and BRIGHT Program Visionary and donor. "Given the quality leaders in the program and the growth obtained through BRIGHT, we are certain their actions will have positive results."

This year's class included forty-seven participants from twenty-eight different ARC counties representing a variety of public and private sectors.

Leadership Kentucky congratulates the graduates including the following local and area graduates:

- Lucas Barnes - Estill County - Estill County Emergency Management Agency
- Jerrod Childers - Powell County - Whitaker Bank
- Julie Hendrix - Wolfe County - Hazard Community and Technical College System.



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