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Maudie's Naughties



Proud Family Tradition

The Smiths are proud of their family tradition. Their ancestors came to America on the Mayflower and included Senators and Wall Street wizards. They decide to compile a family history, a legacy for their children and grandchildren, so they hire a fine author. The only problem is great-uncle George, who was executed in the electric chair. The author says he can handle the story tactfully. The book reads, "Great-uncle George occupied a chair of applied electronics at an important government institution, was attached to his position by the strongest of ties, and his death came as a great shock."

Losing Those Holiday Pounds

Trixie gained weight over the holidays; so her doctor puts her on a diet. "I want you to eat regularly for two days, then skip a day, and repeat this procedure for two weeks," he says. The next time I see you, you'll have lost at least five pounds."

When Trixie returns, she's lost nearly 20 pounds.

"Why, that's amazing!" the doctor says. "Did you follow my instructions?"

Trixie nods. "I'll tell you, though, I thought I was going to drop dead that third day."

"From hunger, you mean?"

"No, from skipping."

60th Wedding Anniversary

Pa and Ma are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. At the party everybody wants to know how they managed to stay married so long in this day and age.

Ma replies, "Well, when we first got married we came to an agreement. I would make all the minor decisions and I'd let Pa make all the major ones."

"Yeah," adds Pa. "Don't reckon I've had to make any yet!"

Babysitting

Ma and Pa find themselves babysitting on Saturday morning for three young grandchildren, all boys. The kids want to play war and coax Pa into getting into the game. Ma is busy in the kitchen when the youngest one comes running through with a toy gun. Then she hears him yell, "bang," followed by a thud as something hits the floor. Ma goes into the living room where she finds Pa stretched out on the floor with his eyes closed. "Are you alright, Pa," she asks.

"Sh-h-h," he replies. "It's the only chance I get to rest."

Blind Dates

Two old geezers talk a young man they know into setting them up with a couple of women. The young man takes their money and rents a couple of rooms. Thinking they won't know the difference, he removes the light bulbs; then puts a mannequin in one room and an inflatable doll in the other. After returning from their "dates" the two men start talking.

"I think mine was dead," says the first guy. "She didn't move or anything." "I think mine was a witch," says the other. "I nibbled on her neck and she passed gas and flew out the window."

Picking Lemons

A woman who applies for a job in a Florida lemon grove seems way too qualified for the job. "Look Miss," says the foreman, "Have you any actual experience in picking lemons?"

"Well . . . as a matter of fact I do!" she replies. "I've been divorced three times."

Something Under The Bed

Jerry goes to a psychiatrist. "Doc," he says, "Every time I get into bed, I think there's somebody under it. I'm going crazy!"

Just put yourself in my hands for one year," says the shrink. "Come to me three times a week, and I'll cure your fears."

Six months later the doctor meets Jerry on the street. "Why didn't you ever come to see me again?" asks the psychiatrist.

"\$100 a visit? A bartender cured me for \$10. He told me to cut the legs off the bed! Ain't nobody under there now!!!"

Lose a Shoe?

Slim is walking home from the bootleggers one night and is noticeable drunk and is also limping badly because he is wearing only one shoe.

He meets another man coming in the opposite direction who is in the same drunken condition and is also wearing only one shoe.

"Hey, buddy," says Slim. "What's the matter, lose a shoe?"

"Nah, found one."

EDA awards \$4 million grant for Area Technology Center

U.S. Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross has announced that the Department's Economic Development Administration (EDA) is awarding a \$4 million grant to the Estill County Board of Education in Irvine, Kentucky, to help build an Area Technical Center (ATC) educational building. The project, to be located in a Tax Cuts and Jobs Act designated Opportunity Zone, will be matched with \$4.7 million in state investment, and is expected to help create more than 500 jobs, retain 450 jobs, and generate \$19.4 million in private investment.

Congressman Andy Barr has been a staunch supporter of Estill County's grant application.

"The Estill County Board of Education and local officials have worked diligently to make the Area Technology Center a reality, bringing to the Sixth District a facility that will provide enhanced training opportunities in a high-need area while helping displaced coal workers learn new, highly sought after skills," said Congressman Andy Barr. "I applaud the Trump Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce for their diligent work in funding programs like this one to help match skilled workers with the needs of our region's industries."

"The Trump Administration is working diligently to provide American workers with tailored and relevant training," said Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross. "The new Area Technology Center, which will be located in an Opportunity Zone, will provide the training needed to develop highly skilled workers that can support the region's industries."

This investment will help build a new 40,000 square foot ATC educational building for Estill County Schools. Collaborating with a regional technical college, the ATC will offer support and education to highly skilled workers that includes advanced manufacturing, health sciences, information technology, diesel technology, and other technical education for adults.

The funding announced today goes to a Tax Cuts and Jobs Act designated Opportunity Zone, which provides special incentives for further private sector participation and development. Created by President Donald J. Trump's Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, Opportunity Zone designations spur economic development by giving tax incentives to investors in economically-distressed communities nationwide. In June 2019, EDA added Opportunity Zones as an Investment Priority.

Superintendent thanks those who helped get ATC grant

Estill receives \$4 million EDA grant for Estill Area Tech Center

Today, we have received notification that our school district will receive a \$4 Million U.S. Economic Development Administration Grant dedicated to the construction of the Estill County Area Technology Center. The Estill County Board of Education and the entire Engineer Family wants to thank the following individuals for their steadfast support of this project and their efforts during the EDA Grant Application process.

First of all, I have to thank Teresa Dawes and Charlotte O'Bryan for leading this grant process from the very beginning. These two ladies deserve all of the credit in the world for their dedication to this process and they should be commended for their efforts. Both of them would also tell you that they had a lot of help along the way and we want to recognize some of them at this time.

- Estill County Central Office Personnel
- Carhartt, Citizens & Guarantee Bank, Marcum and Wallace, Our Original Community Partners
- President Akakpo, Bluegrass Community and Technical College
- EKU and Morehead State University
- All local businesses, individuals, organizations, that provided support
- All county, city, and other local elected officials
- Joe Crawford, EDA and Estill County Chamber
- Jeff Speaks, JBS Communications
- Bertha Partin and Pam Farmer, EDA
- Jim Codell, Codell Construction
- Peter Fisher and Ron Murrell, Ross Tarrant Architects
- Governor Matt Bevin
- State Senators Albert Robinson and Robert Stivers
- State Representatives "Bam" Carney, David Hale and Cluster Howard
- Congressman Andy Barr
- Senator Mitch McConnell

After a quick review by EDA Staff, this project will go to bid during August and construction is slated to begin September 15th of 2019. We anticipate a sixteen month construction schedule and we hope to open the facility during the Spring semester of 2021.

The Moment we've been waiting for is finally

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here! This community has talked about this facility for a number of years and this dream is now becoming a reality. What a great time to be an Engineer!

**Jeff Saylor, Superintendent,
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