

For what it's worth...

By: Elicha Insko

Yes, no, well maybe, then who knows....

All week, the big talk has been the 2000 Presidential Election. Maybe it is that I don't know enough about it to even be speaking out on the subject. But I ain't knowin' that I'm not the only one who sat up all night last Tuesday wondering and waiting.

The nation watched as ABC, NBC, CBS and FOX showed us Electoral Votes that each candidate was receiving — only to be told hours later that the count in the state of Florida was too close to call.

Now correct me if I'm wrong but I think it's a little crazy to be able to sit and tell the nation, fifteen minutes after the polls closed, which state each candidate was carrying. This just doesn't seem logical that the figures could be accurate for the polls to have closed only fifteen minutes prior.

As if the tallying of the votes being wrong wasn't enough, but for the news to tell national television that Governor Bush was the new President. They also told us that Vice President Gore had called the governor and gave his congratulations.

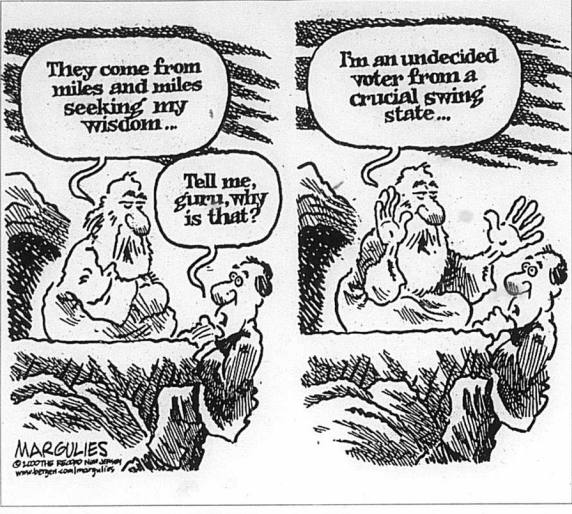
This is where we find out that the votes in Florida were too close to call and there is going to be a recount. You know that's all good, but in all honesty, the process doesn't appear to be able to air the totals for the election until all has been checked and any mistakes absolutely sure no mistakes have been made.

This process could take a few days, maybe even a week, it has taken that long now anyway. That way there are no misleading answers; it also saves a lot of confusion between the candidates and no one has to get snippy.

Then there's the issues were people thought they voted for Vice President Gore but actually voted for Buchanan. Normally I would say "tough luck" but it seems funny that it wasn't just a couple of people, there were several that reportedly say they intended on voting for Gore but were misled and voted for Buchanan. This too happened in Florida.

Call me stupid but if I would just let President Clinton continue on with his duties as President for another four years and let it be. If you think about it he can't be any worse than one of the two that's going to be put there anyway.

So my final two cents.... To many people tend to let election day go by without voting. This time we all have seen that no matter how unimportant your vote may seem it's not. Every vote counts.



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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

"Thanks Nicholas County, Carlisle, Little Rock Church and Community of Great Big Road! A cool party! Thanks for the expressions of love, kindness and generosity."
—Chuck Perry, departing Minister, Little Rock Christian Church, Paris, Kentucky

Over 200 people braved a chilly autumn Saturday venturing to the Edwin and Elizabeth farm near Little Rock. The special occasion? An appreciation picnic, honoring Bro. Charles Allen "Chuck" Perry, longtime Little Rock Christian Church Minister.

Bro. Perry came to Little Rock while a senior at Kentucky Christian College in Grayson and served two ministries of 23 years in a 30-year time span.

Upon his 1969 graduation, the Perry's lived in the parsonage and ministered for three years. Other ministries took him to Tullahoma, Kentucky and Wentzville, MO. Bro. Perry returned in 1980 to the pulpit ministry while also doing graduate work at the University of Kentucky.

Chuck considered a part-time ministry. Little Rock was always home, family and the number one priority in the Perry ministry. The plaque presented at the roast reflected the 30 years of faithfully serving the Lord, Little Rock Bourbon County and the Kingdom of Christ.

visitation, hospitals, births, funerals, marriages and counseling. Vacation Bible school, Christian Camp, Youth retreats, sporting leagues were noted special opportunities.

At times, Bro. Chuck served as substitute teacher, bus driver and PTA chairman in 23 years of Bourbon County High School graduations, he spent missed two hours at concerts, band contests, sporting events, special sessions were logged. He photographed a BCHS state basketball tournament and cheerleaders.

Meet you at the Pole, the ethics commission and an occasional letter to the editor reflected concern for the children and their education.

As secretary of the Bourbon County Ministerial Association he helped with the annual community Thanksgiving and Easter week celebrations. He valued the work of Operation Food Basket and other benevolent assistance programs.

Devolutions delivered at Bourbon Heights were fun events of faith and fellowship. Little Rock Christian has been a long time faithful supporter and church participant in the Christmas parade. Somehow, last year, Bro. Perry managed to get under the float, unhurt, he was a real hit.

Additional guests for the celebration came from Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina as well as greetings being sent from other states.

journeys generally got it right by associating Little Rock with Kentucky. His voluntary missions association with Teen Mission USA included visits to such places as Antigua, Barbados, Jamaica, Grand Cayman, Haiti, and St. Vincent. Recent Biblical educational tours included Israel, Egypt, Jordan and Greece.

Building and facilities changes during the Perry Little Rock ministry tenure included a cemetery, a classroom/fellowship hall/kitchen facilities, 3 auditorium and 2 parsonage renovations, erection of a Service/Youth center, blacktop and parking expansion, and restoring a collapsed sanctuary. However, Bro. Perry admonishes, "The church is the people. Christ came to live and bring world to find and rescue and lost, sinful men, women, boys and girls. Hopefully my legacy will be about people. I have loved and been loved. I have served and been served. The church is the Family of God; I have been adopted into numerous families. The world and its contents will melt with a ferret heat, but the Word of God will stand for an eternity. Hopefully, I have faithfully proclaimed the Word!"

"I am currently not sure where the Lord will be leading and what avenues of ministry I covet the prayers and support of my central Kentucky friends and family. Thank you Little Rock and surrounding communities for all that you have done and meant to me. If I have served or unfairly treated anyone I ask for forgiveness. My goal is to be faithful and fruitful for the Kingdom of Christ. My desire is that all would come to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church."

"Thank for the party! Let's do one in Heaven someday."

Sincerely,
Chuck Perry
13 Queen Ave.
Lexington, KY 40511

Those years of ministry included preaching, teaching,

affected. People from all walks of life, economic and social status were present. Some used words, while others relied on the firmness of the handshake, hug or tear in the eye, to express their emotion and gratitude.

Nicholas County friends attending a cemetery committal, generally heard the expression, "Plant a rose bush now and give your roses as you go, so when coming to occasions such as this, you won't be purchasing quality roses to heap upon some casket. The beauty of raising roses—the more you cut and give, the more buds you have to give. Give your roses as you go."

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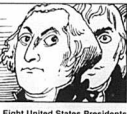
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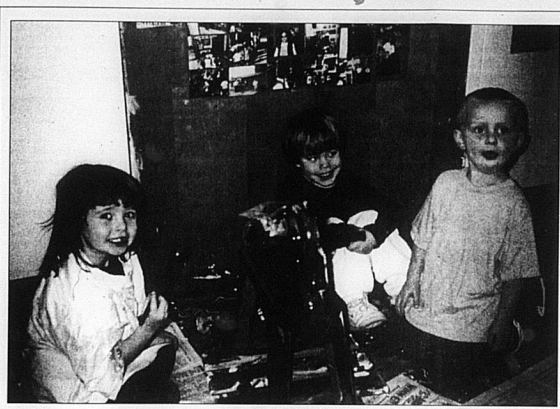
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School



Danielle Pergam, Zachery Brock and Kelsey Sumner participate in their own version of Lexington's "Horse Mania." The project is part of Mrs. Pam and Ms. Jane Eilan's head start class at Nicholas County Head Start.

School Project

Carpenter to receive AAEP Stubbs Award

Executive vice president and executive director of the Jockey Club, Gary L. Carpenter has been selected as the 2000 recipient of the George Stubbs Award, presented by the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP). The award recognizes outstanding contributions to equine veterinary medicine by an individual other than a veterinarian.

Carpenter's life-long support of the equine industry includes service as the executive director of the AAEP from 1990-2000. During his tenure he worked with the associations membership to address issues impacting equine veterinary medicine and implemented programs to benefit the health and welfare of the horse.

Carpenter developed the highly praised "On Call" program, which provides a

media-trained veterinarian to discuss horse health during live network telecasts of equine events.

While Gary studied many of the award guidelines, said Gary Norwood, DVM, AAEP past president and 2000 Nominating Committee chairman, "it was his leadership and dedication to the equine industry, veterinary medicine and the AAEP membership that made him a natural selection as the Stubbs recipient."

His active involvement with horses extends to his position as co-founder and chair-elect of the Horse Industry Alliance. Carpenter is also a member of the American Horse Country's equine veterinary medicine and implemented programs to benefit the health and welfare of the horse.

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Nicholas County Menus

Week of November 20-November 24, 2000

Elementary School Breakfast	High School Breakfast
Monday, November 20- scrambled eggs, cinnamon toast, cereal, jelly, juice	Monday, November 20- biscuit and gravy, pop tart, milk, juice
Tuesday, November 21- sausage, biscuit, cereal, jelly, juice, milk	Tuesday, November 21- breakfast pizza, pop tart, milk, juice
Wednesday, November 22- NO SCHOOL!!!	Wednesday, November 22- NO SCHOOL!!!
Thursday, November 23- NO SCHOOL!!!	Thursday, November 23- NO SCHOOL!!!
Friday, November 24- NO SCHOOL!!!	Friday, November 24- NO SCHOOL!!!
Lunch	Lunch
Monday, November 20- fish nuggets, pinto beans, mexican corn bread, fruit, milk	Monday, November 20- pizza, corn, tossed salad, fruit, milk, tea, lemonade
Tuesday, November 21- pizza, tossed salad, corn, fruit, milk	Tuesday, November 21- sock lunch
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