

For what it's worth...



By Elicha Inako

Temptation Island not worth time

For the past few weeks I have been watching Temptation Island on Fox 50 Wednesday night. This show has really got my mind bogged.

Let me get this straight, couples have been chosen for this show to go on live television to test their relationships. Four couples were picked, and we are talking a couple of them have been together for a little over five years. They have been picked to go in front of millions of people to be separated from each other for two weeks.

Women on one island with twelve single men and the men on another island with twelve single women. Each to be tempted by these single individuals.

I don't understand how this can be healthy for a relationship. Why would anyone want to tempt their companion into cheating? What really adds fire to the flame is one couple is being kicked off for having a child together.

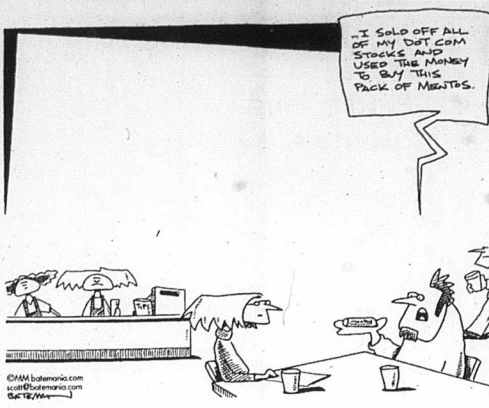
Apparently, the network claims when the couple was picked there was no knowledge of a child. The couple failed to mention this important bit of information. This really bothers me. Why would anyone want to deliberately try to split up their own family? Remember, these people are doing this for pure satisfaction. There is no prize to be won.

I have heard different reviews on this show. Some people like it, most don't.

I disagree with people going on television and testing their relationships but if they are dumb enough to do this, then they get what they deserve. Don't get me wrong, like I said I have been watching it. This show has my complete attention on Wednesday night. I'm not sure but I think the

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2000 vote count flap paled to 1968

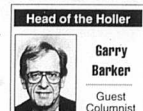
One book I re-read during the two months of inactivity was "An American Melodrama: The Presidential Campaign of 1968," a study authored by British political writers and published in 1969.

It over there was a year to make the 2000 vote count flap totally pale by comparison, it was 1968.

The whole year, Vietnam, assassinations, riots, marches, and one of the most colorful casts of characters ever assembled in America managed to produce, in the end, an elected president void of personality, character, charisma, or competence.

Richard M. Nixon. Tricky Dick. Nixon the One. With Lyndon B. Johnson, Eugene McCarthy, and Bobby Kennedy grabbing all the headlines, the Democrats nominated Hubert H. Humphrey, a good man and leading liberal, a man whose chances of winning depended upon his ability to break away from LBJ's puppet strings.

LBJ knew he could not win both the war and the election, and withdrew before he could be humiliated in the primaries. Humphrey made an amazing comeback at the last minute, but fell just short of enough votes to win.



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preparation for a two hour speech that Humphrey had to give. Hubert took a lot of deep breaths. In 1968 the Vietnam War was escalating, the Civil Rights struggle was ready to erupt into violence, George Wallace was fanning the flames of racism, the Deep South was losing its political clout, the biggies and vipers were at the peak of their powers, and lots of us were still in shock from the death of our hero, John F. Kennedy.

Hubert couldn't, until it was too late. And he couldn't win. Lyndon Johnson once noted that the only

Martin Luther King, Jr., was murdered in Memphis, and every major American city erupted into open violence.

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The rest is lame history. Both Nixon and Agnew left office in disgrace. George Wallace was crippled by an assassin. Vietnam finally stumbled to a close.

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Licking Valley Business Professional Women's Club held meeting

The first charter meeting of the Licking Valley Business Professional Women's Club took place on December 12, 2000 with 13 members present and became Y2K local. Nationwide there are 70,000 members representing 2,000 local organizations across the country.

The January 10, 2001 meeting of the Licking Valley Business Professional Women Club installed their new slate of officers for Fiscal Year 2000-2001. The new officers are as follows: Mary Ann Lee, President; Betty Bedford, President Elect; Carla Harney, First Vice President; Marjorie Pope, Second Vice President; Trish Arnold, Recording Secretary; Marylou LaCere, Corresponding Secretary; and Wanda Isham, Treasurer.

The local Licking Valley BPW Club will meet every second Wednesday of every month at 12 (noon) at Bianca's Restaurant. You may wish to visit the BPW web site HYPERLINKhttp://www.bpw.org

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curiosity has me hooked. So my final two cents... For what it's worth, I was thinking, what if someone from Nicholas County was on there? That, I would like to have seen. I just wonder what would happen? If I had to guess, I would say a fight would have broken out the first day.

People Saltwell News

Phyllis Brady visited Dorothy McDonald the ast gospel music. Phyllis Brady also spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Gladys Kenney. Phyllis Brady spent Thursday afternoon with her sister, Margie Fryman, Cynthiana. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Fryman, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sapp, Mr. and Mrs. Dhu Moran, Betty Weddle, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Weddle, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Galbraith thoroughly enjoyed the Kentucky Jamboree at Georgetown on Saturday night. Several of them died at the show. This Saturday night Dean will be singing at

Birth Announcement

Deyn Tyler Whirlies Roger and Sally Whirlies of Carlisle announce the birth of their first child, Deyn Tyler Whirlies. Deyn was born on January 28, 2001 at Harrison Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. and 10 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. The proud grandparents are Larry and Judy Watkins and Jimmy and Bernice Whirlies of Carlisle.

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Sunnyside Homemakers

The Sunnyside Homemakers met on Tuesday, January 16, 2001 at the home of Louise Carbert in Carlisle. Lavinia McFarland called the meeting to order. She also gave the devotional, reading Psalm 8:4-5 and reading "How can Put The letters together" and she asked Ida Mae Wiloughby to have prayer. Eleanor Brann called the roll with each answering with naming something we like to improve about ourselves. Among some of the answers were pray more, read the Bible more, have a better question game won by Lavinia McFarland and a point game won by Louise. The next meeting will be on February 20, at the home of Lavinia McFarland.

Carlisle native named commissioner

Carlisle native William H. Gaunce has been named as the new Commissioner of the Department for Training and Reemployment in the Cabinet for Workforce Development. In announcing the appointment, Cabinet Secretary Allen Rose cited Gaunce's 25 years of experience in employment and training programs. "Bill has a significant track record in the employment and training profession and is recognized as a national expert in the area," Rose said. "He has been instrumental in Kentucky's implementation of the federal Workforce Investment Act."

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