



Looking for a response.....

When my boss first asked me to start writing these editorials I wasn't too sure about it. Now it seems a little column has grown on me. You can agree with me or disagree with me but when I write these columns I state the truth as I see it in my opinion.

It's not that I am unaware of the fact that I have stepped in the past couple of weeks. Believe me, people have let me know.

People have also informed me that they are finally glad that someone has spoken out. I would like to think that when I walk out of my office at the end of the day I am no longer Elicha Insko staff writer. But Elicha Insko single mother of one just trying to make a living.

It hasn't been long since my attention that I hurt some feelings at the police station with my article. For this I am not going to apologize but maybe help people understand why I made the statements I have.

When I made my comments about the police station I wasn't nagging on them as individuals because I would like to think of each and everyone of them as a friend. That still doesn't mean I agree with the way things are run up here.

I don't recall each week has went by that I haven't heard negative comments on our paper. At first it made me angry. Now instead of getting mad I just work harder and try to do the job that our community expects me to do. Even though times are slow, I try not to let this get me down. The more negative thoughts I hear, the harder I work. Maybe those people that I upset should keep this in mind.

I have had lots of phone calls over the last couple of weeks congratulating me on speaking out. Apparently I am not the only one who has these feelings.

That is what we use this editorial page for. Agree or disagree, you can use this page to write and speak out. There is no charge to write an editor letter.

So my final two cents... For what it's worth...

We all have our jobs and when you work with the public I think it would be safe to say it's one of the toughest jobs. If you can't handle the pressure that the public puts on you then maybe you should choose another profession.

So if I'm stepping on your toes or my article seems to rub you in the wrong way, maybe something about it. Write a letter to the editor and state your opinion.

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Viewpoint



Letter to the Editor Activities of the Supreme Court

Dear Editor: It continues to be my belief that it is proper to request the activities of the Supreme Court, and my participation therein, to the public of this district.

The controversial national presidential election has resulted in a sharp focus on the role and importance of the State Supreme Court in our system of government and the function of the judicial branch which involves a separation of powers and the checks and balances inherent therein.

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People

Saltwell News

By Mrs. Jill Mattox



Johnny and Betty Hughes Florer

Florer celebrates 50th Wedding Anniversary

Johnny and Betty Hughes Florer of Lexington celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday, December 14, 2000. They were married in Mayville by Rev. Homer L. Moore. Their attendants were Ruby (Herrington) Litzinger and Stanley Litzinger.

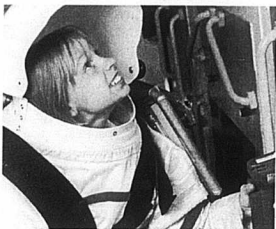
CWC makeover luncheon at park

Do you feel that you want to do something different or look a little different for the new year? Then you are invited to a Makeover Luncheon at the Bourbon County Park on Wednesday, January 17, 2001. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. and will be meeting in the new small activity building.

Kelly Preston associated with Mary Kay Cosmetics will be showing us how we can look our best for the winter months. Ja Dawna Cameron of Carlisle will provide some songs to lift our spirits. Our speaker, Janice Harris from Somerset will let us know how she had a makeover so that her life is now brighter and more enjoyable.

A free nursery will be available by reservation only. Please bring a sack lunch for children. For all reservations, call Dorothy Vactor at 987-1891, Lucy Jackson at 987-4052 or Kelly Preston at 987-7546. Please honor reservations. If you need to cancel, call Dorothy Vactor by 9:00 a.m. on Monday before the luncheon.

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The road who didn't mind that I'd been working in the yard earlier in the day.

For the record, though, the morning I went jewelry shopping I had showered and shaved, so I did not smell like a vagrant. It was about zero outside, an comfort was more important, to me, than fashion.

I cannot help that my normal appearance is that of a down-at-the-neck cowpuncher or redneck trucker than that of a

corporate executive. I wear the cowboy hat or baseball caps to keep my head warm.

I will not ever again offend the ladies at the jewelry store by walking through their doors.

I don't often need what they sell, and when I do in the future I know where to do my shopping.

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(NAPS)—Many experts believe good nutrition is important when trying to lose weight and that supplements may help. Metabolic rate, fat, Acutrol Natural AM and easy-to-understand, friendly guide Acutrol Natural PM, have been on how to take advantage of the called the first and only herbal diet supplement with daylight and nighttime formulas that work together. Neither version of the product contains ephedrine or PPA.

Want to learn how to get more out of the online medium. Work it! How AOL Can Improve Your Life in 10 Minutes a Day, is an easy-to-understand, friendly guide Acutrol Natural PM, have been on how to take advantage of the called the first and only herbal diet supplement with daylight and nighttime formulas that work together. Neither version of the product contains ephedrine or PPA. Warner Books and AOL teamed up to give a great new resource to Internet newcomers and those who

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