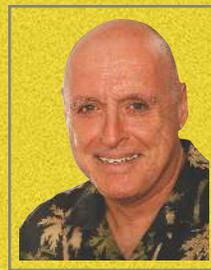


THE EXTRA POINT

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1095 Up Pops Humanity When It's Needed Most

Even in a world that has become jaded and caught up in its own self-importance, we can still see people stepping out beyond themselves to help others. I'm Jerry Roberts and that's the topic for today, on the The Extra Point.

Three stories today I picked up in the news, to remind us there are still people in the world who step up and step out to help others.

First, a woman in Oklahoma got home and couldn't find her phone. She kept calling it with her husband's phone, but it wasn't in the house or in her car. She was desperately trying to think where she might have left it when her husband's phone rang. The incoming number was her number, and she excitedly answered!

A young boy said, "I was riding my scooter around, and I kept hearing this phone ring. It was out in the middle of the road."

The woman was overjoyed, thanked him and said she'd come get it. The boy asked where she lived, and then said for her to stay home, that he'd bring the phone to her, riding his scooter.

The second story also features a young man, this time in Chicago. He saw two men fighting at the train station, both falling off the platform to the tracks below.

One of the men made contact with what is known as the "third rail," the one that carries 600 volts of electricity that propels the trains. His body was jolted by the usually deadly current.

What do you think bystanders did? Yep, they pulled out their phones and recorded the man laying on the tracks, as he was sure to die.

Not everybody did that. A 20 year-old man named Anthony Perry leaped into action. He jumped down to the tracks and — trying to

avoid the electrified rail — pulled the injured man off the tracks, then administered CPR. In the course of his actions, Perry did make contact with the powered rail and was burned. Paramedics arrived shortly and took the injured man to the hospital, and he survived.

For his heroism, Perry doesn't have to ride a train and two buses back and forth to work any longer. A local philanthropist bought him a car.

The third story is from Phoenix, where a gas station owner is losing money at his pumps to try and help his customers. Jaswiendre Singh is selling his regular gas at \$5.19 per gallon, but pays his supplier \$5.66 per gallon. He is losing 47 cents for each gallon he pumps.

With customers buying about 1,000 gallons per day on average, Singh is losing around \$500 a day. He claims it's worth it.

Singh said: "To give a break to the customer and my community. People don't have the money right now. My mother and father did teach us to help if you have something. If you have something, you have to share with other people."

Singh praises God for his ability to help others. It's not the first time he's done so. In March, he sold the gas at 10 cents below cost. Now that prices have skyrocketed, he wants to help more.

He said: "It doesn't matter. We are not here to make money right now. I'm very happy to help the other people."

It's never been so good for anyone in the gasoline business, with record profits being enjoyed by everybody in the chain, and that includes the retailers. This man has also seen benefits from rising prices, and he decided to give some of those profits back.

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There is so much negativity in the news we see and hear, plus social media. It's great to know that there are still people who make a conscious decision to get beyond themselves to make a difference for others.

Be responsible and make something good happen today. For 93.3 and the Ray Gibson Show, I'm Jerry Roberts.

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