

MEDIA BIAS MARKS ABORTION SHOOTING

On August 15, 2012, a self-identified left-wing political activist entered the lobby of the Family Research Council armed with 100 rounds of ammunition. He told prosecutors that he intended to kill as many staff members as possible. He wound up shooting the security guard before being subdued. His rampage was inspired by the Southern Poverty Law Center's decision to list the Family Research Center as a "hate group."

On November 27, 2015, an armed crazed loner with no known political ties entered a Planned Parenthood center in Colorado Springs, Colorado and killed three people.

In the first three days following the Family Research Council shooting, the *New York Times* ran 2 stories totaling 935 words. In the first three days following the Planned Parenthood shooting, the *New York Times* ran 10 stories totaling 10,206 words, plus a blog post of 341 words. Which means it ran 935 words on the shooting at the conservative group and 10,547 words on the liberal group.

In the first three days following the Family Research Council shooting, the *Washington Post* ran 3 stories totaling 2,655 words. In the first three days following the Planned Parenthood shooting, the *Washington Post* ran 7 stories totaling 8,134 words, plus 11 blog posts totaling 11,873 words. Which means it ran 2,655 words on the shooting at the conservative group and 20,007 words on the liberal group.

Figures from the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* combined:

Family Research Council: 5 stories = 3,590 words

Planned Parenthood: 17 stories and 12 blog posts = 30,554

words

Both newspapers are in the pro-abortion camp. If this doesn't explain their bias, nothing does.

“SCANDAL” ABORTION SHOW DECONSTRUCTED

The midseason finale of the Shonda Rhimes show, “Scandal,” featured Olivia Pope, played by Kerry Washington, having an abortion. While her child was being aborted, “Silent Night” played in the background; the show ended with a self-satisfied Pope listening to “Ave Maria.”

What makes Rhimes tick? After some digging, it appears that libertinism and narcissism are her most defining qualities. Throw in a heady dose of juvenile rebelliousness, and the picture that emerges is as revealing as it is sickening.

Rhimes previously showed her fondness for abortion by featuring it in her hit show, “Grey’s Anatomy.” In real life, she sits on the board of Planned Parenthood’s Los Angeles affiliate; this is a curious decision for a black woman—the organization was founded on racist principles.

Rhimes also likes to depict gay sex, giving it graphic representation in her show, “How to Get Away With Murder.” As one blogger puts it, she “has never been afraid of pushing the envelope when it comes to gay sex.” She disagrees with this characterization: in a fit of delusion, she argues that two men having sex are not engaged in gay sex; rather, they are “scenes with people in them.” Yes, gay people.

Rhimes has three daughters and no husband. “I have never wanted to get married. I love having boyfriends. I love dating. I do not want a husband in my house.” What about her kids? Might they want a father in the house? They don’t count. What counts is what Shonda wants, namely, sex without responsibilities. This explains her scripts as well as her life.

Why the need to play “Silent Night” while the kid was killed? Rhimes is angry—it’s payback time. She went to a Catholic high school where she was disciplined for wearing “too-short skirts.” She never got over it.

CHRISTIANS OWN DECEMBER

Atheist Herman Mehta has insisted that “Christians don’t own December.” In fact, we do. Just as blacks own February—it is Black History Month—Christians own December. Atheists own nothing, which is consistent, of course, with what they believe.

This has to be said given all the forlorn stories generated by the media in 2015 about all the hapless atheists at Christmastime. Take CNN.

CNN’s iReport had a story, “Holiday, Minus God,” that recorded the “thoughtful, heartwarming, engaging and, above all, cheerful” comments made by atheists about Christmas. It listed, for example, a remark by David Fibush from California, who said, “We strongly believe that religion is the cause of many of the world’s problems, but like bad weather and taxes we accept the situation as it exists.” So cheerful.

CNN also had a neat article on “5 Things You Didn’t Know about

Satanists.” Point #2 was, “They are OK with Celebrating Christmas.” As proof, it quoted Satanists saying, “Christians stole this holiday from the pagans—Santa Claus has come to signify indulgence....” So thoughtful.

CNN also wanted us to read its piece, “How Do Atheists Celebrate Christmas?” We learned that “the holiday season—even calling it a ‘holiday season’—can be problematic for atheists.” How engaging.

For some strange reason, CNN was lax in reporting how atheist organizations were taking out newspaper ads denigrating Christmas, posting billboards that urged a church boycott, erecting anti-Christmas displays next to nativity scenes, banning religious songs from Christmas school concerts, and the like. How heartwarming.

Atheists are lucky to live in a nation that was founded by Christians imbued with the Judeo-Christian ethos. It’s why we typically afford them more tolerance than its activists show us.

“CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS” WRONGLY NIXED

The superintendent in charge of schools in Johnson County, Kentucky censored all references to religion in last year’s Christmas celebrations. Specifically, he banned a presentation of “A Charlie Brown Christmas” at one school, and ordered another not to allow “Silent Night” to be performed. He said he was following the advice of school district attorneys.

This is madness. It is also not constitutionally mandated. In

Bill Donohue's letter to Superintendent Thomas Salyer, he pointed out that the U.S. Supreme Court let stand a 1980 ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, *Florey v. Sioux Falls*, that conditionally permitted religious themes at Christmas assemblies. Pursuant to this ruling, the Sioux Falls School District allowed Christmas presentations of a religious nature to be performed as long as they were presented "in a prudent and objective manner and as a traditional part of the cultural and religious heritage of the particular holiday." This is a reasonable, and not very high, bar to clear.

Who's to blame for this yearly debacle? There is much blame to go around. For example, the U.S. Supreme Court has not definitively ruled on this issue, allowing for some degree of uncertainty. To be sure, school officials such as Superintendent Salyer are neither required nor forbidden from allowing assemblies of a religious nature. But if anything, the ruling in *Florey v. Sioux Falls* empowers them to permit these annual events.

It's time school attorneys got up to speed on this issue. There is no legal reason to ban bona fide Christmas performances in the schools.

SATANISTS SURGE AT CHRISTMASTIME

In a world where Christians are routinely being murdered and raped in the name of God, even non-believers must be curious about the rise of Satanism. Here at home we are also witnessing a surge in Satanic attacks.

Until two years ago, Satanists were never bothered by the presence of a menorah on public property in Tallahassee. But when Christians decided to erect a nativity scene at the Florida state Capitol, they went wild: they succeeded in getting a Satanic display on state grounds. Though neither Christians nor Satanists displayed their symbols in the Capitol rotunda in 2015, Satanists put Christians on warning: if you dared to erect a crèche, we would counter with our own display.

On Christmas Eve, a Satanist and registered sex offender, Adam Daniels, pledged to pour blood over a Virgin Mary statue in front of a Catholic church in Oklahoma City. He admitted that his display, "Virgin Birth is a Lie," was aimed at the Catholic Church.

There is nary a word of condemnation about these events. If anything, media reports have been kind. Take CNN: on December 13 it aired a very sympathetic show on Satanism. It even allowed an un-named mother—she is a Satanist—to blame Christianity for her gay son's suicide, providing no evidence whatsoever. Worse, she was enticed by reporter Lisa Ling to do so. "Do you blame the church?" "Oh, yes, absolutely," the Satanist said.

On Thanksgiving Day, Jex Blackmore, the national spokesman for The Satanic Temple, poisoned her child, in utero, and then posted a blog bragging about her abortion. This is the face of Satanism that the media refuses to profile.

SONY BENDS FOR N.F.L. — NOT

CATHOLICS

"Concussion," which stars Will Smith, opened on Christmas Day, and while it may not put the N.F.L. in the best light, officials at Sony made every effort not to bash the football industry. They never afforded Catholics similar treatment.

We know from a revealing story in the *New York Times* last September that Sony "found itself softening some points it might have made against the multibillion-dollar sports enterprise that controls the nation's most-watched game." Indeed, "dozens of emails" show how Sony executives, the film's director, and representatives for Mr. Smith "discussed how to avoid antagonizing the N.F.L. by altering the script and marketing the film more as a whistle-blower story, rather than a condemnation of football or the league."

By contrast, when Sony released "The Da Vinci Code" in 2006, and "Angels & Demons" in 2009, it refused pleas to post a disclaimer admitting that these films are fictitious.

When Bill Donohue asked director Ron Howard to put a disclaimer in "The Da Vinci Code," he was denounced for infringing on the artistic rights of Sony. Yet when Sony released "The Merchant of Venice," the movie opened with a disclaimer noting the prevalence of anti-Semitism in 16th-century Venice. In "A Beautiful Mind," a Ron Howard film, the movie ended with a disclaimer noting that it differs from the account afforded by the book of that name.

When "Angels & Demons" came out, it debuted in India with a disclaimer noting that the movie is a work of fiction (the request was made by the government). Donohue's request that the same disclaimer be posted in U.S. theaters was turned down.

REVOLT AGAINST ISLAMIC INDOCTRINATION

At the same time that schools are censoring “Silent Night” from being sung at their annual “holiday” concerts, others are forcing students to pay homage to Muhammad. Regarding the latter, when a teacher at Riverheads High School in Virginia assigned students to practice calligraphy by writing, “There is no god but Allah, Muhammad is the messenger of Allah,” the school district defended the decision. Many parents strongly disagreed and the ensuing ruckus led officials to close the school for a day. It should have stayed closed until sanity prevails.

If a public school teacher were to assign students to write, “Jesus is the Son of God,” here’s what would happen: (a) the teacher would be fired (b) administrators would hold a press conference condemning the indoctrination (c) all teachers in the school district would be ordered to undergo sensitivity training (d) grief counselors, accompanied by dogs, would be summoned to deal with emotionally torn students (e) an ACLU attorney would lecture the community on church and state issues, and (f) the national media would give this incident top billing.

But, of course, no one was fired and administrators defended the assignment. There will be no sensitivity programs, no grief counselors, no dogs, and no ACLU lawyer. And most of the big media have ignored this story.

We checked to see how the most prominent atheist organizations, as well as the most influential church-and-state groups, have dealt with this abuse of power. None have

said a word, even though this story was first reported on December 15. They were too busy censoring Christmas celebrations to worry about Islamic indoctrination.

We can thank multiculturalism for this condition. Its goal is to denigrate Christianity and elevate challenges to it. That's why Muhammad is okay and Jesus is taboo.

Thank God parents are smarter than the educators. We need more of these kinds of revolts.

MSGR. LYNN'S CONVICTION OVERTURNED

There are many innocent priests who have been railroaded by lying accusers, malicious so-called victims' advocates, rapacious lawyers, and biased newspapers, but few have been more badly treated than Philly's Msgr. William Lynn. Recently, a Pennsylvania appellate court overturned his conviction—for a second time—and ordered a new trial. The badly tainted Philadelphia D.A., Seth Williams, has asked the appellate court to reconsider that ruling.

Finally, Philadelphia Common Pleas Court Judge M. Teresa Sarmina was taken down for her disgraceful decision to present evidence against Lynn that antedated his birth. The Superior Court judges ripped her for presenting evidence that was "trivial or minimal." It was obvious from her deceitful ploy that she was putting the entire Catholic Church on trial. But she is far from the only unethical official in this scam.

- On March 31, 2011, Bill Donohue sent Philly D.A. Lynne Abraham (Williams' predecessor) a letter in the

overnight mail asking her to identify which “religious organizations and denominations” she pursued other than the Roman Catholic Church (that was her specific charge). She never answered.

- On February 1, 2012, Donohue publicly called on Judge Sarmina to step down as the presiding judge, citing an anti-Catholic remark she made from the bench. She said she “misspoke.”
- The key witness for Philly D.A. Seth Williams was “Billy Doe,” a known drug addict, thief, and serial liar who was kicked out of two high schools. Even his own mother testified against him.
- The *Philadelphia Inquirer* was so anxious to put Lynn in the slammer that when Donohue offered it \$58,000 in 2013 to run a full-page ad exposing the many faces of corruption, he was turned down.

The depth and breadth of dishonesty, vengeance, and bigotry that marks this witch-hunt is astounding.

THE TRAVESTY OF WORLD AIDS DAY

If it were the nation’s goal to increase sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) among gay men, nothing would work better than to follow the advice of pro-gay organizations.

The anti-gay defamation group, GLAAD has boasted that three decades after AIDS was uncovered, it “has reshaped our culture and created historic levels of acceptance.” On the same page it observed, incredulously, that “the U.S. has not seen a decrease in new infection rates [of HIV and AIDS] in nearly two decades.” That’s an understatement: nationwide, syphilis

rates are the highest since 1994, and in 2014, gays, who are 1.6% of the population, accounted for 83% of all male cases. In New York, syphilis cases are up sixfold since 2000. “Most infections are in gay and bisexual men,” reported the *New York Times*, “a group whose use of condoms has dropped as the fear of HIV declined.”

So what is being done about this? The governor of New York is pledging a \$3.5 million increase to the \$2.5 billion the state spends annually on the disease; most of the money will be spent on research and housing. The New York City mayor plans to spend \$23 million on HIV/AIDS, mostly on scientific efforts. Many celebrities are raising money to increase awareness. The Gates Foundation will donate \$3 to a non-profit group for each use of a decorative “World AIDS Day” banner. The Foundation for AIDS Research is committing \$100 million to a campaign that relies exclusively on scientific research.

A full-page ad in a recent edition of the *New York Times* said HIV can be stopped by prevention, testing, and treatment. The AIDS Healthcare Foundation has demanded that adult film actors wear condoms. And Gay Men’s Health Crisis offered this “hook up” tip: “Bring your own condoms and lube.”

None of these groups have called for behavioral changes. But if restraint isn’t exercised, forget it. Homophobes may be a problem, but the real threat to gays comes from irrational gay activists and their equally irrational establishment allies.

BLACKS AND GAYS LEAD WITH STD

RATES

Recently, a report was published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention titled "Sexually Transmitted Disease Surveillance 2014."

After decades of the most progressive sex education programs in our nation's history, and the most massive distribution of free condoms ever undertaken, never has the rate of sexually transmitted diseases been worse. The rates among blacks and homosexuals are astonishing.

There was an overall increase of 2.8% in chlamydia rates between 2013 and 2014; the rate among blacks is 6 times the rate of whites. After reaching a historic low in gonorrhea rates in 2009, the figures for 2014 grew quickly; the rate among blacks is 10.6 times that of whites. Syphilis rates jumped so much that they are now at their highest rate since 1994; the rate among blacks is 5.4 times the rate among whites.

Blacks comprise roughly 13% of the U.S. population, yet they account for 55.4% of all gonorrhea cases and 50.6% of all syphilis cases. Even more disturbing are the rates for chlamydia and gonorrhea among blacks in the 0-4 age group: no racial or ethnic group comes close to them.

Primary and secondary syphilis is now a mostly gay disease. Although gays make up a mere 1.6% of the population, they account for 83% of all male syphilis cases. Throat and rectal infections are particularly high.

How did we get to this point? We have no problem waging war on promiscuity when it comes to food, alcohol, or cigarettes, but we refuse to treat sexual promiscuity the same way. We speak endlessly about the horrors of obesity, cirrhosis of the liver, and lung cancer, but when it comes to STDs, we get clinical.

It's time we put political correctness aside and started having an honest conversation with everyone about the dangers of sexual promiscuity. Condoms are not the answer—restraint is. And no groups need to hear this message more than blacks and gays.