The liberal media are exploiting the horrible mass murder at the Sandy Hook Elementary School to push for radical restrictions on gun ownership by law-abiding citizens. They are in lockstep with the left and the Obama administration on this issue, and they are smear[ing law-abiding supporters of the 2nd Amendment as villains, even likening them to Nazis.

It’s straight out of the far left’s playbook: twist the facts and use character assassination against your opponents.

These are the same liberal media who almost never report on heroic Americans using guns to protect themselves from criminals. These are the same “news” outlets that never called for banning airplanes after 9/11, or aluminum pipes after the Unabomber, or fertilizer after Timothy McVeigh blew up a federal building in Oklahoma City.

These are the same lefty journalists who say nothing about the extremely violent culture promoted by Hollywood, certain video games, and the so-called entertainment industry.

They are silent on those obvious points because their target is law-abiding gun owners and the 2nd Amendment.

We’ve documented, exposed, and neutralized that blatant left-wing bias using all of our MRC divisions, as well as through our e-newsletters, our grassroots MRC Action network, on Facebook and Twitter, and through national media appearances by our experts on talk radio and certain TV shows, such as Fox’s Hannity.

The attacks by the leftist “news” are unrelenting. Let’s look at some examples.

CBS’s Bob Schieffer actually compared opponents of more gun control laws to the Nazis. Opining after the president’s Jan. 16 speech on gun regulations, Schieffer, in a live CBS News Special Report, lectured, “[W]hat happened in Newtown was probably the worst day in this country’s history since 9/11. We found Osama bin Laden. We tracked him down. We changed the way that we dealt with that problem. Surely, finding Osama bin Laden; surely, passing civil rights legislation, as Lyndon Johnson was able to do; and before that, surely, defeating the Nazis, was a much more formidable task than taking on the gun lobby.”

In other words, defeating law-abiding Americans who support the 2nd Amendment shouldn’t be harder than defeating the Nazis or opponents of civil
The “news” coverage about Sandy Hook and guns has been 100% myopic: ban certain guns completely and make it nearly impossible to buy guns in general. Give the government more control over people’s lives and freedom.

Bear in mind, all this “news” and lawmaking has occurred before the police report on Sandy Hook and the toxicology report on the killer have been completed (they were still not complete as this letter went to press).

The liberal media, however, don’t care about that. Their target is not the murderer responsible for the crime but law-abiding gun owners. Make no mistake, liberals can’t stand an armed citizenry because the gun is a tool of freedom. It means, to some degree, that people can take care of themselves. They don’t need a federal nanny.

We continue to expose the left-wing coverage of this topic round-the-clock, neutralizing the liberal media’s advocacy. Your support is vital in this battle, and I ask that you make a donation to the MRC today.

Sincerely,
L. Brent Bozell III
Founder and President
The Media Research Center is America’s media watchdog, hands down. Nobody does what it does as well as it does, and this is abundantly obvious in looking at how many times the MRC message about liberal media bias is viewed or heard or “networked” each week.

That “reach” is a startling 168.8 million.

That’s what the numbers for 2012 show. This means that, on average, there are 168.8 million “impressions” of the MRC every week made by people and media and social networks. The “impressions” include how many times people visit the MRC website and the sites of its various divisions: NewsBusters, CNSNews.com, MRCTV, BMI, CMI, TimesWatch and MRC Action.

The “impressions” also include the reach of the TV, radio, and print appearances (and mentions) of MRC experts, as well as the reach of the e-newsletters, grassroots action, and social networking of the MRC message on Facebook and Twitter.

In 2012, some of the most far-reaching MRC work included the “Tell The Truth!” campaign about left-wing news coverage of the presidential race; the grossly biased attacks on Chick-fil-a because of its owner’s support for traditional marriage; a NewsBusters post about actor Jamie Foxx calling President Obama “Our Lord and Savior”; and a CNSNews.com story about the DNC chairwoman describing the GOP as “whiter and more male.”

There are literally thousands of examples of MRC content reaching millions of Americans everyday.

Commenting on the success of the MRC, conservative talk-radio titan Rush Limbaugh — whose daily audience is 12 million — said in September, “Liberals hate Brent Bozell. And in this business, that’s a badge of honor. Liberals hate Brent Bozell because he’s been effective. He documents their excess, their idiocy and their bias.

“The Media Research Center is relentless in documenting virtually every characteristic and example of media unfairness, agenda movement, false narratives — whatever it is the left is doing — Bozell and his team document it.

“Let’s face it, we have some cowards in the conservative media inside the Beltway. Brent Bozell is not one of them. He’s fearless. And along with all of us in talk radio, he has been on the cutting edge of breaking the mainstream media’s monopoly. Congratulations to Brent Bozell and the Media Research Center on their 25th anniversary of vigilance and excellence in shining the light of truth on the liberal media.”
The 25th Annual Awards for the Year’s Worst Reporting

The liberal media smugly pushed their leftist agenda in election year 2012. The MRC captured that bias and, in December, the winners for worst reporting were announced in the MRC’s “Best Notable Quotables 2012.” The winners were selected by a distinguished group of 46 talk-radio hosts, editors, reporters and columnists, including Cal Thomas, Lars Larson, Kate O’Beirne and Walter E. Williams. Presented here are some of the winners.

Quote of the Year
Melissa Harris-Perry: “The land on which they [the Founders] formed this Union was stolen. The hands with which they built this nation were enslaved. The women who birthed the citizens of the nation are second class....This is the imperfect fabric of our nation, at times we’ve torn and stained it, and at other moments, we mend and repair it. But it’s ours, all of it. The imperialism, the genocide, the slavery, also the liberation and the hope and the deeply American belief that our best days still lie ahead of us.”
— MSNBC’s Melissa Harris-Perry Show, 7/1

Throwing Granny Off a Cliff
Ex-Newsweek Editor Jonathan Alter: “What the press should be focused on is what are the consequences of repeal of ObamaCare. And the consequences, as Mike [Kinsley] just indicated, are death. Repeal equals death. People will die in the United States if ObamaCare is repealed. That is not an exaggeration. ... No, we’re not calling Mitt Romney a murderer. What we are saying is that if he’s elected President, a lot of people will die.”
— MSNBC’s Ed Show, 8/9

Politics of Personal Destruction
NYT columnist Charles Blow: “This is the kind of man that Mitt Romney is. This man does not have a soul. If you opened up, you know, his chest, there’s probably a gold ticking watch in there and not even a heart. This is not a person. This is just a robot who will do whatever it takes, whatever he’s told to do, to make it to the White House. And he will take whatever push in the back from whatever nasty person is pushing him and move him further in that direction.”
— MSNBC’s Last Word, 7/17

Let Us Fluff Your Pillow
Sheri Shepherd: “President Obama, are you a romantic kind of husband? ...I heard that there’s a plaque in Chicago. It marks the site of your first kiss. Tell us about that first kiss. ... You guys have a ritual where, now, First Lady, you go to bed at 10:00 in the evening. Your husband comes to bed...”
at 1:00 in the morning. But you have a ritual where he tucks you in at night. What is that?”
— Questions to President and Mrs. Obama, ABC’s The View, 9/25

Audacity of Dopes

Host Piers Morgan: “How many times in your life, Mr. President, have you been properly in love?”
Iran’s Mahmoud Ahmadinejad: “I’m in love with all of humanity. I love all human beings.”
Morgan: “That might be the best answer I’ve ever heard to that question.”
— CNN, Piers Morgan Tonight, 9/24

Denying the Obvious

Host Stephen Dubner: “There is a kind of, I think, common analog, I hope I’m not overstat-ing it by saying that it’s common, that Fox News is to the right what the New York Times is to the left. I’m guessing you would see that as a false equivalency on a lot of levels....”
Editorial page editor Andrew Rosenthal: “The word I want to use here ... begins with ‘bull’ and ends in ‘it’ and you can figure out what comes in between. I think it’s abso-lute pernicious nonsense. ... Fox News presents the news in a way that is deliberately skewed to promote political causes, and the New York Times simply does not.”
— NYT radio podcast, 2/16

Barbra Streisand and Political IQ

Actor Jamie Foxx: “First of all, give an honor to God and our Lord and savior Barack Obama!”
— Soul Train Awards, 11/25

To Watch the Videos of The Best of NQ, Visit the MRC Website, www.MRC.org, and click Notable Quotables under the “RESEARCH” tab.

Minibits

- ABC’s Sam Donaldson blames conservatives, again: “It’s the Tea Party and the thinking of the Tea Party and people like that that are driving the Republicans out of contention as a national party. ... Guys, it’s not your country anymore. It’s our country.”
- CNN’s Don Lemon lectures, “We need to get guns and bullets and automatic weapons off the streets. They should only be available to police officers and to hunt al Qaeda and the Taliban and not hunt elementary school children.”
- CNN’s Piers Morgan tweets, “Coming to a town near you, courtesy of the #NRA — Gunfights At The U.S. School Corral.”
- Criticism of Susan Rice “was all driven, in many cases, by some conservative outlets who were making her the center of the Benghazi story,” thumped NBC’s Chuck Todd, “whether its Twitter, whether it’s advocacy journalism, whatever you want to describe it, talk radio.”
- Newsweek’s Tina Brown hails Hillary Clinton, “It’s as if she has become, literally, the ship of state. She stands for maturity, tenacity, and self-discipline at a time when everyone else in Washington seems to be, in more senses than one, going off a cliff.”
- On CNN, Hollywood’s Oliver Stone confesses that dictator Hugo Chavez “represents hope and change, the things that Obama stood for in our country in 2008.”
- ABC’s Diane Sawyer complains that female senators “say they’re ready to tackle big issues like jobs, transportation, immigration, but it’s their male counterparts who keep reopening Roe vs. Wade and contraception.”
- If you’re a low-tax conservative, snorts MSNBC’s Chris Matthews, “It’s like they used to say, you have to be the most segregationist guy in the south.”
- ABC’s Barbara Walters hits President Obama and his wife Michelle with another hardball, “How do you keep the fire going?”

Liberal Sam Donaldson predictably blames the conservative Tea Party for the GOP’s electoral losses.
The Media’s Favorite Fake Republicans

The Republican Party is desperately in need of some good advice. It needs to return to Ronald Reagan conservatism and give America a two-party system, not a tinny echo of Obama. But our liberal media keep desperately inviting fake Republicans to offer advice to the GOP. They want to create a new Republican Party, one that rejects the principles of the man who championed freedom.

Exhibit A: New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg. The January 14 Washington Post insisted on the front page: “Bloomberg wants change in the GOP.” Post reporter Jason Horowitz noted “America’s most prominent and deep-pocketed advocate for gun control would rather rehabilitate Republicans than oust them.”

What? Republicans are criminals in need of rehabilitation? The analogies get worse. Supporting the Bill of Rights is like supporting.... segregation and slavery. Democrats don’t like Bloomberg trying to reform Republicans instead of defeating them, reported Horowitz. But “Bloomberg counters that just as Democrats were once the party of slavery and segregation, the pro-gun GOP is now ripe for moderation.”

The new Republican Party is always “ripe for moderation” - overripe to the point of turning moldy and smelly, like a forgotten fruit in the back of your refrigerator.

In the same story, Horowitz quotes Bloomberg as saying “You have to change the people in the House,” and reports Bloomberg wants to use his new super PAC to run ads against Second Amendment defenders: “This guy or woman is in favor of leaving guns in the hands of crazy people who can kill your kids.”

Please remember this is the same “moderate” Bloomberg who journalists hailed for a “No Labels” campaign for civility in government.

Exhibit B: Colin Powell, who voted for Obama twice, but still insists he’s a Reagan Republican. Indeed, since becoming a Republican, all he’s done is criticize the GOP. NBC brought him on Meet the Press to declare “If it’s just going to represent the far right-wing of the political spectrum, I think the Party is in difficulty. I’m a moderate but I’m still a Republican.”

Powell thinks he’s a Republican, and the GOP has an “identity problem.” But the “identity problem” is Powell’s – voting for Obama is neither Republican nor “moderate.” Today’s Republican establishment isn’t to the right of Reagan. It is to the left of the man who won one of the largest landslide victories in history with an unequivocal conservative agenda.

NBC host David Gregory at least suggested to Powell he wasn’t very Republican before cuing up his endless 600-plus-word answer. But he offered no challenge as Powell attacked the “dark vein of intolerance” coming from Sarah Palin and other conservatives. Powell lashed into Palin for saying Obama was “shucking and jiving” on Benghazi, but said nothing about Biden insisting Republicans want blacks “back in chains.” Powell voted for Biden, twice, too.

In the next segment, Gregory turned Powell’s indictment on former RNC chairman Haley Barbour: “He talks about a deep vein of intolerance within the Party. How did that sit with you?” Barbour not only failed to defend today’s GOP on racism, he repeated that Powell the Obama Voter fits in the Republican “mainstream.” Worse yet, Gregory asked Republican consultant Mike Murphy “You’ve had a lot of these similar critiques. Your thoughts about Colin Powell this morning?”

Murphy said he was happy to hear Powell’s “still a Republican,” and “I’d invite him to come back home and help us modernize and strengthen the party. We could use him.”

Mike Murphy and his friends in the media are on the very same page: To “modernize” the Republican Party is to put conservatism through a shredder. On NBC back in November, Murphy warned if “we don’t modernize conservatism, we can go extinct....we’ve got to get kind of a party view of America that’s not right out of Rush Limbaugh’s dream journal.”

By the way, how does one “modernize” principles? Limbaugh’s dream is Reagan’s dream. You can’t be against Rush and for Reagan.

In 2004, these same TV “news” people denounced Sen. Zell Miller for ripping his former party at the GOP convention. NBC’s Andrea Mitchell denounced him for “a red meat speech, in fact a raw meat speech, which in fact misstates a lot of Kerry’s record.” On ABC, George Stephanopoulos whined “Zell Miller was on a tirade. I mean, he was red faced, red meat for the red states.” On MSNBC, both Chris Matthews and David Gergen compared Miller to “axe-wielding segregationist” Democrat Lester Maddox.

Our transparently partisan media elite believes only one party should be embarrassed for its alleged extremism. Only one party must moderate or die. The Republicans must always move left. The liberal media is always holding up a plastic cup of “compromise” Kool-Aid and demanding the GOP drink up. Republicans should listen to this advice, knowing the correct response is always to do the opposite.
The experts at the Media Research Center are interviewed almost every day on stories of national importance, often reaching millions of Americans daily. They provide analysis and commentary on radio, TV, the Internet, in magazines, books and in newspapers, always striving to help restore political balance to the major media. Some of the MRC’s latest media appearances include the following:

**Television**

**EWTN:** The World Over w/ Raymond A., Jan. 17
**FBN:** Your World w/ Neil Cavuto, Jan. 3
**FNC:** Hannity, Jan. 3, 11, 17, 22
**Kudlow Report,** Jan. 3
**NewsWatch,** Dec. 23, 29, 30
**Special Report w/ Bret Baier,** Jan. 2
**The Red Eye,** Jan. 2, 15
**Varney & Co.,** Dec. 27, Jan. 14, 22
**BlazeTV:** Wilkow! Jan. 21

**Radio**

America’s Radio News Network, Jan. 2, 9
American Family Radio, Jan. 7, 16, 17, 18
Battle Line, Jan. 11, 18
Bob Dutko Show, Jan. 17
Cable Radio Network, Jan. 11
Heritage Foundation Radio, Jan. 2, 11
Lars Larson Show, Jan. 2, 9
Mike Gallagher Show, Dec. 26
NRA Radio, Jan. 10, 21
Phil Valentine Show, Jan. 11
Rush Limbaugh Show, Jan 8, 9, 14, 17, 18, 22
Thom Hartmann show, Jan. 9
**EWTN:** The World Over w/ Raymond A., Jan. 17
**KCMN,** Colorado Springs, CO, Jan. 3, 8, 10, 16, 17
**KFAQ,** Tulsa, OK, Jan. 17
**KIRO,** Seattle, WA, Jan. 13
**KMBQ,** Medford, OR, Jan. 10, 17
**KMLZ,** Washington, MO, Jan. 11
**KPRZ,** San Diego, CA, Jan. 2, 9, 16
**KZIM,** Cape Girardeau, MO, Jan. 8
**WBAL,** Baltimore, MD, Jan. 8
**WENY,** Corning, NY, Jan. 1
**WZLS,** Laconia, NH, Jan. 17
**WFLL,** Tampa, FL, Jan. 3
**WHJJ,** Providence, RI, Jan. 4
**WHO,** Des Moines, IA, Jan. 16
**WHTC,** Holland, MI, Jan. 8
**WIBA,** Madison, WI, Jan. 8, 17
**WIBC,** Indianapolis, IN, Jan. 3, 10, 17
**WICH,** Norwich, CT, Jan. 4, 11
**WLEA,** Hornell, NY, Jan. 3
**WMUZ,** Detroit, MI, Jan. 4
**WNNR,** Augusta, GA, Jan. 15, 22, 25
**WROK,** Aurora, IL, Dec. 31, Jan. 7
**WSYR,** Syracuse, NY, Jan. 4

**Internet**

Breitbart.com, Jan. 10
**Businessweek,** Jan. 16
CBN.com, Jan. 17
**Daily Beast,** Jan. 11
**Daily Caller,** Jan. 9
**Drudge Report,** Jan. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28
**FoxNews.com,** Dec. 29, Jan. 10, 11, 17
**Hollywood Reporter,** Jan. 10, 15
**Huffington Post,** Jan. 9
**LifeNews.com,** Jan. 3, 10, 14
**Mediaite,** Dec. 24, 31, Jan. 3, 15
**MSN.com,** Jan. 15
**National Journal Hotline,** Jan. 10
**One News Now,** Dec. 31, Jan. 4, 8, 9, 10, 18
**Patriot Post,** Jan. 11
**PoliticsUSA,** Jan. 9
**Rush Limbaugh,** Jan 8, 9, 14, 17, 18, 22
**Salon.com,** Jan. 14
**The Advocate,** Jan. 1
**The Blaze,** Jan. 16
**The Hill,** Jan. 1
**US News & World Report blog,** Jan. 3

**Print**

Associated Press, Dec. 27, 31
Crain’s Cleveland Business, Jan. 10
**Denver Post,** Dec. 27, 31
**Indianapolis Star,** Jan. 3
**Investor’s Business Daily,** Jan. 15
**New York Times,** Jan. 4
**Palm Beach Post,** Jan. 5
**Texas Monthly,** January 2013
**TIME,** Jan. 10
**USA Today,** Jan. 3, 9
**Wall Street Journal,** Dec. 31
**Washington Examiner,** Dec. 18, Jan 7
**Washington Times,** Jan. 13, 18
**World magazine,** Dec. 1

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On Jan. 14, 17, and 18, Rush Limbaugh cited MRC research to demonstrate the liberal media’s bias against the 2nd Amendment, noting in one case how NBC’s Tom Brokaw equated more gun control laws with the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

On Dec. 17, Fox NewsWatch reviewed the winners of the MRC’s 2012 Best of Notable Quotables Awards

On Jan. 22, Sean Hannity and Brent Bozell laugh at Chris Matthew’s outrageous statement during the inauguration: “Obama’s speech... was a left-wing declaration of war against the conservative movement, so it was the opposite of the Gettysburg Address.”
Curtin Winsor III – Requiescat in Pace

The staff and close friends of the Media Research Center were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Curtin Winsor III, the only son of MRC Trustee Curtin Winsor Jr.

Curtin Winsor III died of a heart attack on Dec. 11. He was 49. He left behind his wife, Deborah Redhage Winsor, and three daughters, Elizabeth, Julia, and Devon Winsor.

Curtin Winsor III was the executive chairman of the Bank of Georgetown, a lover of opera, a philanthropist and entrepreneur, and a Sunday school teacher at the Episcopal Christ Church Georgetown.

Our prayers and condolences go out to his parents, his sisters, and to his wife and children. May he rest in peace and may God comfort his family.

Have You Considered Joining The MRC’s “Patriots Fund”

Monthly giving makes it easier for you to be a part of our organization. By setting up an automatic monthly gift with either your credit card or checking account — which gives you membership to our “Patriots Fund” — you have one less thing to worry about each month. The flexibility of the program allows you to completely control your giving: you can change the amount of the gift or cut it off at any time with just one phone call.

Monthly giving also enables the MRC to know what our budget for the year will look like in advance so we can responsibly plan out our budget and projects ahead of time. For more information about the “Patriots Fund” contact Robyn Stiles at (703) 302-8334.

“I’ve been an automatic monthly donor to MRC’s “Patriots Fund” for the last five years. Brent said that getting an automatic contribution from me every month would make the MRC more effective by putting more of my money into fighting the left-wing’s control of the Big Media. And that’s what I want! I personally urge you to join the “Patriots Fund” because it will empower the MRC to work much more effectively for our goal.” — Stuart Gorin