Liberal Media Call for More Gun Control After Oregon Shooting, Blame the NRA and Smear Conservative Ben Carson

A sick and evil man went to the Umpqua Community College in Oregon in October and, using handguns, killed eight students and one professor, and injured nine other students before he killed himself. It was a horrific crime. The family members, friends, and colleagues of the victims deserve our support and prayers.

Predictably, the liberal media swiftly politicized the shooting and called for more gun control laws, including confiscation of firearms; blamed the National Rifle Association (NRA); and smeared conservatives who support the 2nd Amendment.

The Media Research Center documented and exposed this left-wing bias through its News Analysis Division, NewsBusters blog, MRCTV, and CNSNews.com, through Twitter and Facebook, and in television and talk-radio interviews.

Let’s look at some examples of the skewed reporting.

Within hours of the Oregon shooting, NBC News tweeted a headline, “Update: multiple people shot at Umpqua Community College.” NBC’s Luke Russert then re-tweeted the item and described the slaughter as “the uniquely American tradition.”

In the wake of the Oregon mass shooting, MSNBC’s leftist Mika Brzezinski calls for a “national database” to track how many guns people own, and when she asks why gun confiscation won’t work in America, co-host Joe Scarborough reminds her, “because we have a 2nd Amendment.”

Rev. Broderick Greer, who writes for The Guardian, The Huffington Post, and other leftist outlets, tweeted, “If most mass shooters were black, we’d have gun control.” Apparently unaware of the endless black-on-black gun violence in cities such as Chicago and Baltimore, Greer further tweeted, “But because they are primarily white men, this pathology of mass violence continues, virtually unchallenged by national leaders.”

“Defund the NRA,” he added. (As if the NRA gets a dime of federal funds.)

The CBS Evening News reported on President Obama’s pleas to “politicize” mass shootings on Oct. 1 and promptly did so, with Nancy Cordes telling viewers that “sympathy and best...
Rivera’s anti-gun counterpart in England, Piers Morgan, railed in the Daily Mail that, “the National Rifle Association is responsible for America’s appalling culture of violence. ... It has no interest in stopping gun massacres because they are good for business, very good for business. The blood of those poor students in Oregon will mean yet more gun sales, yet more money pouring into the NRA and yet more massacres.”

On top of that vitriol, the liberal media were quick to smear conservatives who support the 2nd Amendment. In particular, they attacked Dr. Ben Carson, who has argued that Nazi confiscation of guns prevented many Jews from fighting back against oppression (as they did in the Warsaw ghetto uprising); that potential victims should try to distract or rush a mass shooter; and that the 2nd Amendment exists for citizens to protect themselves from tyrannical government.

ABC’s George Stephanopoulos thumped about Carson’s “bizarre comments on guns,” and the National Journal’s Ron Fouriner claimed Carson’s views against oppressive government were equal to “putting a target on government officials.”

As for fighting back against a mass shooter, GQ columnist Drew Magary ranted, “F--- Ben Carson” and added that Carson says “even DUMBER sh—” than Donald Trump.

Not mentioned by Magary or the liberal media in general is that the Department of Homeland Security advises people to take action against a shooter: “Improvise weapons. Disarm him. And commit to taking the shooter down, no matter what.”

Also not mentioned by the liberal media: In the week of the Oregon shooting, the top 10 movies in theaters nationwide showed 121 acts of gun violence. Not surprisingly, Hollywood hypocrites such as Julianne Moore were tweeting “#StopGunViolence.”

The liberal media know that gun ownership (for self defense and sport) is constitutional and a strong tool of individual liberty in America; it keeps control in the hands of citizens and not the government. Thus, they exploit gun crimes by individuals to agitate for more government control, less individual control.

The Media Research Center documents and exposes that agenda 24/7. No other group in America does this work. You can help us in this good fight by making a donation to the MRC today. Give us a call at 571-267-3500. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

L. Brent Bozell III
Founder and President
BRENT BOZELL: To review Phyllis Schlafly's biography is to be astonished. It's no exaggeration that few people alive today can claim a list of accomplishments such as hers.

Phyllis received her B.A. degree from Washington University in St. Louis in 1944. Some of you folks may have known that but how many people know that she worked her way through college on the night shift at the St. Louis ordinance plant testing .30 and .50 caliber ammunition by firing rifles and machine guns?

A year later she received her master's degree in government at Harvard — I won't hold that against her. Amazingly, three decades later she returned to school and in 1978 received her J.D. from Washington University Law School.

Phyllis has been a loyal Republican her entire life, always striving to keep the party tethered to a conservative platform that she, more than anyone else, is responsible for having created in the first place.

Phyllis has served as an elected delegate or an alternate delegate to 12 Republican National Conventions since 1956. I bet you no person alive can match that. … In 1972, she founded the pro-family organization that has become one of the most prominent weapons in the conservative movement, Eagle Forum.

Ladies and gentlemen, I'm becoming weary — I'm becoming weary reading this list of accomplishments. But I will soldier on.

Political activism has been in her blood her entire life but nowhere was her leadership and her courage on greater display than in her efforts in the 1970s and 1980s to stop the Equal Rights Amendment. … By the time this force of nature was done, the Equal Rights Amendment was defeated and the feminist movement was in shambles. (Applause.)

She’s appeared on virtually every national television and radio talk show in existence. Since 1983, Phyllis has been producing a daily three-minute commentary heard on 500 radio stations across the country. Before that she had her semi-weekly regular commentary on CBS. … Then there was television. From 1974 to 1975, she appeared in weekly television commentaries for CBS Morning News; from 1980 to 1983, she did something similar on CNN. She has lectured or debated on — I do not kid you — 500 college and university and college campuses.

Her 1964 book, A Choice, Not an Echo, was a smashing, runaway best seller. To this day, it’s one of the most important books in the conservative arsenal. … Phyllis is the author or editor of 20 books on the subjects of family and feminism, on religion, on nuclear strategy, on child care, on the judiciary, on pornography — it goes on and on. I’m exhausted. (Laughter.) But I plod forward. Phyllis Schlafly launched the Phyllis Schlafly Report as a national newsletter, which has been published continuously since — I do not kid you — August 1967. She has been writing a regular, weekly syndicated column that’s appeared in 100 newspapers since 1976. … Phyllis Schlafly recently celebrated her 91st birthday. (Applause.) … On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Media Research Center I’m honored to present the William F. Buckley Award for Media Excellence to a true icon of the conservative movement, Mrs. Phyllis Schlafly.

PHYLLIS SCHLAFLY: (by video): I want to thank Brent Bozell for this fine award and all the good people here today and encourage you to take up the fight, to be in politics where the action is. Our country needs you, and the next big fight will be at the Republican Convention. I hope to see you there. I’ve been to every convention since 1952, and I think they’re places where important decisions are made. We need you there. And we know that the Media Research Center is playing a big role in getting the proper, needed information to our conservatives all over the country. Thank you, Brent Bozell, for this award and for all you do for the conservative cause.
MRC Annual Gala & DisHonors Awards
Roasting the Most Outrageously Biased Liberal Reporting

The 2015 MRC Gala and DisHonors Awards were emceed by syndicated columnist and best selling author Cal Thomas. Roasting the liberal media were the award presenters including, TV commentator Martha Zoller, talk radio host Chris Plante, and comedian/actor Joe Piscopo. The Accepters were Judge Andrew Napolitano, Judicial Watch President Tom Fitton, former Ohio Secretary of State Ken Blackwell, and former Navy SEAL Robert O’Neill, the hero who killed Osama bin Laden. The nominee quotes were selected beforehand by a panel of 14 distinguished media observers, including Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, and Mark Levin.

AWARD #1
Puppy Love Award
WINNER: MSNBC’s Lawrence O’Donnell, who declared President Obama’s book, Dreams From My Father, “the finest literary work ever authored by a president.”

LAWRENCE O’DONNELL: “Dreams from My Father. It stands today as the finest literary work ever authored by a president of the United States. The book doesn’t contain the whole truth of Barack Obama’s life. Books can’t do that, but it is, by far, the most honest and open book, an artful book, ever written by a president.”

AWARD #2
Damn Those Conservatives to Hell Award
WINNER: NBC reporter Ayman Mohyeldin, who described the real-life American Sniper hero Chris Kyle as a “racist” who went on “killing sprees.”

AYMAN MOHYELDIN: “When you juxtapose it [the movie] with the real Chris Kyle and what has emerged about what kind of personality he was .... Some of what people have described as his racist tendencies towards Iraqis and Muslims as he was going on some of these, you know, killing sprees in Iraq on assignment.”
AWARD #3
Dan Rather Memorial Award for the Stupidist Analysis
WINNER: CNN’s Sally Kohn, Margaret Hoover, Mel Robbins, and Sunny Hostin, who held up their hands on CNN Newsroom to express solidarity with anti-police protestors.
SALLY KOHN: “Right now, thousands of Americans are marching in New York and Washington and across the country, demanding a justice system that applies the same to everybody and honors our values. We want you to know that our hearts are out there marching with them.”

AWARD #4
The Celebrity Dumbass Award
WINNER: Actress Ashley Judd, who swooned on *Larry King* Now that Hillary Clinton is as qualified for president as Thomas Jefferson or George Washington.
ASHLEY JUDD: “Obviously, I love Hillary Rodham Clinton. ... And so seeing her talk about early childhood vulnerability and brain development. Man, that woman is stout. She is stout. So yes, I will be all in when the time comes. ... I think she might be the most overqualified candidate we’ve had since, you know, Thomas Jefferson or George Washington.”

QUOTE OF THE YEAR
Brent Bozell and the Gala presenters and acceptors judge the audience response for the Quote of the Year Award. The DisHonor was given to NBC’s Ayman Mohyeldin for his despicable quote about real-life American Sniper hero Chris Kyle, who Mohyeldin described as a “racist” who went on “killing sprees” in Iraq.

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MRC Intern for CNSNews.com Asks Nancy Pelosi a Simple Pro-Life Question and She Arrogantly Refuses to Answer
Liberal Media Quickly Spin to Protect Her

Neither the liberal media nor the leftists in Congress want to tell the truth about abortion and Planned Parenthood, a reality that was made starkly clear in October when MRC intern Sam Dorman asked House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi a simple question about human life which she arrogantly refused to answer.

The liberal media rushed to defend Pelosi but the exchange with the MRC’s Dorman was so explosive — and captured on C-SPAN — that the truth went viral. It also demonstrated the effectiveness of the MRC intern program.

The young Sam Dorman, working for the MRC’s news division CNSNews.com, which is credentialed at the U.S. Capitol, attended a Pelosi press conference and asked her, “In reference to funding for Planned Parenthood, is an unborn baby with a human heart and a human liver a human being?”

It was a simple question, but Pelosi was nearly apoplectic: “Why don’t you take your ideological questions — I don’t, I don’t have — .” Dorman then asked, “If it’s not a human being, what species is it?” Pelosi, clearly angry, fumed, “No, listen, I want to say something to you. I don’t know who you are and you’re welcome to be here, freedom of this press. I am a devout, practicing Catholic, a mother of five children. ... I think I know more about this than you, with all due respect.”

Sam finally asked, “So, it’s not a human being?” Pelosi stammered, “And I don’t intend to respond to your questions, which have no basis in what public policy is, that we do here.”

In Pelosi’s mind asking if human babies are actual human beings is “ideological.” So much for science (not to mention being a “devout Catholic.”)

The left-wing Huffington Post, The Hill, Salon, ABCNews.go, CNN.com, and The Washington Post quickly ran to Pelosi’s defense. The Washington Post was in such a rush, it made multiple errors. Starting with its headline, The Post incorrectly reported, “Nancy Pelosi shut down an abortion protestor’s question in a press conference.”

Abortion protestor?

The Post then switched to “anti-abortion protestor” in its story and also claimed it was “unclear” which “news organization” had “shouted” the question to Pelosi. About six hours after being challenged by the MRC’s NewsBusters blog and CNSNews.com, The Post made numerous corrections to its story.

As for Pelosi’s arrogant attack on an intern reporter, MRC President Brent Bozell sent a letter to the House Minority Leader’s office. “It’s a reporter’s job to ask tough questions,” he wrote. “Your answer was disrespectful, unprofessional and condescending.”

Bozell also told Pelosi that she owed Dorman “an unqualified apology” and that she “should also answer his question.”

Although Pelosi hasn’t commented further on the issue, she can’t escape the truth of what happened because it was on video. The liberal media slanted the story but the video was carried or quoted by more than 100 alternative media outlets online, on Facebook and Twitter, and was discussed on talk radio.

CNS News’ Sam Dorman proved what good journalism is all about and demonstrated the value of the MRC intern program. We’re very proud of that, and of him.
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, social media, 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:

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  - Varney & Co., Oct. 2, 22, 23
- **FNC**: Fox & Friends, Oct. 16
- **THE BLAZE TV**: The Kelly File, Oct. 13
- **NEWSMAX TV**: Steve Malzberg Show, Sep. 28
- **OANN**: The Daily Ledger, Oct. 1, 12, 15, 19
- **RT**: Tim Constantine’s Capitol Hill Show, Oct. 1
- **Weny**: Weny, Corning, NY, Sep. 28, Oct. 1
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- **Alan Nathan Show**, Sep. 30, Oct. 15
- **American Family Radio**, Sep. 30, Oct. 13, 14
- **Bob Dutko Show**, Oct. 13, 16
- **Conservative Commandos**, Oct. 14
- **Hannity Radio**, Oct. 9, 23
- **Mark Levin Show**, Sept. 25, 29, Oct. 1, 2, 20
- **National Right to Life News**, Sep. 30, 14, 15
- **Point of View Radio**, Sep. 25
- **Rush Limbaugh Show**, Oct. 3, 5, 6, 12, 13, 20
- **The Blaze**, Sept. 24, Oct. 14
- **KBAR**, Kerrville, TX, Sep. 30, Oct. 14
- **KDMI**, Bellingham, WA, Oct. 13
- **KIDO**, Boise, ID, Oct. 19
- **KNTH**, Houston, TX, Sep. 28, Oct. 1, 12, 15
- **KPRZ**, San Diego, CA, Sep. 30, Oct. 15
- **KRWZ**, Burlington, VT, Sep. 29, Oct. 14
- **KXCF**, Morehead City, NC, Oct. 2, 13, 16
- **WVHU**, Huntington, WV, Oct. 5
- **WXMN**, Madison, WI, Sep. 30
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### Print

- **American Spectator**, Oct. 15
- **National Review**, Oct. 16
- **Times of Israel**, Oct. 12
- **Washington Examiner**, Sep. 28, 30, Oct. 12, 15
- **Washington Times**, Oct. 7, 14
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### Internet & Twitter

- **American Energy Alliance**, Sep. 17, Oct. 7
- **BizPacReview**, Oct. 11, 15
- **Breitbart News**, Sep. 28, Oct. 6, 14, 15, 21
- **Buzzfeed**, Oct. 2
- **Climatemedot**, Oct. 6
- **Conservative HQ**, Sep. 30, Oct. 2
- **Daily Signal**, Oct. 14
- **Ecomerce-Journal**, Sep. 27, Oct. 16
- **Examiner.com**, Oct. 9
- **Fox Nation**, Oct. 14, 15
- **FoxNews.com**, Oct. 2, 14
- **Free Beacon**, Oct. 15
- **Gop USA**, Oct. 14
- **gatewaypundit.com**, Oct. 15
- **FoxNation**, Oct. 14, 15
- **Gop USA**, Oct. 14
- **HNGN**, Oct. 10
- **HotAir**, Sep. 25, Oct. 1, 13, 14
- **Ij Review**, Oct. 15
- **Jewish Ledger**, Oct. 14
- **LegalInsurrection**, Sep. 26, 30
- **Life4news**, Sep. 29, 30, Oct. 1, 2, 12, 14, 15
- **LifeSiteNews**, Sep. 28, Oct. 1, 12
- **Lifezette**, Oct. 12
- **Live Action News**, Oct. 14
- **Money Morning**, Sep. 30
- **OneNewsNow**, Sep. 25
- **Patriot Post**, Oct. 9, 14
- **Politico**, Oct. 14
- **Rapid News Network**, Oct. 16
- **Red Alert Politics**, Oct. 15
- **The Daily Caller**, Sep. 28, Oct. 14
- **The Stream**, Oct. 14
- **Townhall.com**, Sep. 30, Oct. 1, 15, 20
- **Truth Revolt**, Oct. 14
- **TV Newsgroup**, Oct. 16
- **Twitter**, Oct. 15
- **Washington Watch**, Sep. 30
- **Western Journalism**, Sep. 25
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