
Subject: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.

Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 16:06:03 GMT

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If you take the time to read this piece by Ms. Coulter you may see this Libby thing a little differently. I never thought Libby was guilty of anything but Ms. Coulter nails it on the head. IMO anyway.

http://news.yahoo.com/s/ucac/20070307/cm_ucac/shootingelephantsinabarrel;_ylt=Aqz8jYNjVhZJTXCrPGwJZOr9wxlF

Subject: Re: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 18:08:40 GMT

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Sometimes I think the whole goal of some of those guys is to spin public opinion. Truth be damned, make a statement and the public will consider it fact. It's very effective tactic, I'm sad to say.

Subject: Re: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.

Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 19:18:45 GMT

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Sorry Wayne, not sure who you are referring to, or what you mean. Are you saying that Ann Coulter is spinning the truth here? If so please elaborate.

Subject: Re: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 20:32:52 GMT

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What I meant was I think "investigators" that rush to get a story that favors their opinion are "spinmasters." I think there's more of that than anything else. To tell the truth, I would categorize myself as a Libertarian and I lean to the right. I don't always agree with Republican policies but find I almost never agree with Democrat policies. On the matter of public manipulation, I think both Democrats and Republicans are capable of trying to "spin" things, but I think the political left does it to a greater degree. I personally think that the manipulation of public opinion is the main agenda of the left these days. It looks to me like appearance is more important than substance to

them.

Subject: Thanks for clarifying, well said. NT
Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 01:33:22 GMT
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NT

Subject: Re: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.
Posted by [FredT](#) on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 10:19:15 GMT
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I'm with Wayne on this one. Ann Coulter is to conservatives what Bill Maher is to liberals. The reporting of both is driven by an anti (Democrat / Republican) agenda rather than a desire for accuracy and objectivity. While there's often a kernel or truth to their reporting, both spin the facts very loosely and selectively to support their goal of discrediting the other side. Ditto Rush Limbaugh and Michael Moore. The most supportive fans of these people are Americans who view themselves as patriotic, lean heavily to the right or to the left, and who don't want unbiased reporting; they want somebody to tell stories that support their beliefs, and they really like it when the story is told in a provocative and insulting way. If you want to hear that John Edwards is a faggot, or that George W Bush intentionally lied about the WMD's, you'll like this kind of reporting. Pick your poison.

Subject: Re: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.
Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 12:32:30 GMT
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Hi Fred, I disagree. Sure Ann Coulter goes a little over board with name calling sometimes but nowhere near the extent that some liberals do. I don't find her or Rush for that matter, to be loose with the facts as you describe. To put her or Rush in the same league as Moore is not even close. Could you imagine what kind of press a movie on the Clinton administration by Rush or Coulter would get? Even if it was factually correct? I can guarantee the "academy" wouldn't be giving it awards as they did for Moore or Gore. Of course both Rush and Coulter have a bias toward conservatism. But they are both very popular because people believe what they say. If all they did was lie all day nobody would listen to them. This is the reason the liberals can't seem to get anyone to listen to their radio commentators IMO. For instance read the link I posted that Ann Coulter wrote. I believe it's factually correct. What she is saying has been one of my pet peeves for awhile. The liberals get away with murder (in Kennedy's case) while the Conservatives are

thrown to the wolves for the slightest thing. Not that some Republicans don't deserve what they get. But Republicans have to watch very closely what they say or do while Democrats can get a pass on all kinds of criminal activity.

Subject: Re: Ann Coulter is right on the money as usual IMO.
Posted by [FredT](#) on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 13:00:40 GMT
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I rest my case.

Subject: Sorry, I thought because you responded you wanted to discuss the topic.
Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 14:00:14 GMT
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But yours is the "normal" liberal response. If there is something factually incorrect with Coulter's piece I'm sure you would have pointed it out. But consider this: If there were people out there in large numbers (like you theorize) that didn't want to hear the truth but only biased spin against the other party then the liberals should be able to produce a radio talk show that would rival Rush etc. So why can't they?

Subject: Re: Sorry, I thought because you responded you wanted to discuss the topic.
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 15:52:29 GMT
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I think you misinterpreted Fred's response. I know him pretty well, and I'd say it's safe to say he's not a raging Democrat.

Subject: Oops I did it again....
Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 17:57:25 GMT
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Sorry if I insinuated that he was a raging Democrat. I was trying to point out that his response is the kind of response one can normally expect from a Democrat. Sorry Fred if I misinterpreted your

response.

Subject: Re: Oops I did it again....

Posted by [FredT](#) on Sat, 17 Mar 2007 10:23:15 GMT

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No problem. This is the right place to disagree. Your point about Coulter's message being factual is correct, but it's still slanted journalism. Adjectives like conservative and liberal mean different things to different people anyway. I consider myself a "conservative-leaning moderate", but one whose faith in conservative government has been so shaken by the arrogance and incompetence of the Bush team that I would vote for a Clinton/Obama ticket in the next election if W were running again them. I'm still a resistered Republican, but in the last election I voted straight Democrat except where the only candidates were a Republican and a Libertarian, in which case I voted for the Libertarian. The Republican party under the incompetent Bush government no longer represents the views of the average American, and we communicated this to him with their votes in the last election. The sad thing about this is that most of the people who voted for Democrats, like me, are really more conservative than liberal.

Subject: Ok then bare with me on this.....

Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Sat, 17 Mar 2007 15:30:55 GMT

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I think there is error in your thinking so let me try to explain. First let me say that I'm not ecstatic about Bush and never was. Basically I think that liberal policies are bad for the country (generally speaking now, ok?). So I don't want someone in office that try's to get along with the Liberals. I want someone in office that will fight liberal policies wherever and whenever possible. So with that said. Although I'm not happy with Bush say 40% of the time, he is far better than any Democrat that I would be unhappy with 90% of the time. So the idea of "sending him a message with the last election results" is flawed in my mind. I would be screwing myself 50% of the time by voting for a liberal to "send a message". Not to mention you have to look at the big picture. The President also appoints Supreme Court justices and judges. This is one of his most important responsibilities. Bush has done a fairly good job at this in my opinion. To send Bush or the Republicans a message by voting in a Democrat may allow that Democrat to change laws for years or decades to come when he appoints liberal judges. Just look at the 9th circus court in CA. Are these the type of judges you want? Would you be willing to put up with these activist judges for years because you didn't like Bush? Think about it? So I think not voting at all or voting for a party you disagree with 90% of the time to send a message is only hurting your political beliefs and the country in the end. Not to mention that the Republicans in Congress may be exactly what you want in a congressman. To vote them out because you disagreed with the president seems flawed to me as well. What say you???

Subject: Re: Ok then bare with me on this.....
Posted by [FredT](#) on Sun, 18 Mar 2007 15:03:25 GMT
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You believe this because you are a conservative. I'm not. I'm a conservative-leaning centrist. I believe both the current neocon philosophy and the leftist philosophy drive programs that do more harm than good, each in their own way. Stated another way, I am an economic conservative but a social moderate.

Subject: Re: Ok then bare with me on this.....
Posted by [FredT](#) on Sun, 18 Mar 2007 15:12:16 GMT
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I should also mention I hope this isn't coming across as I believe I'm right and you're wrong. The opposite may be true, but after I have considered the issues I believe are important (and the ones that aren't) I believe a more flexible approach than the Republicans have taken or the ones the Democrats are proposing will better solve the critical problems we face: energy security, the environment, the excesses of big business, the healthcare crisis, the war against terrorism, foreign trade, the exportation of American jobs, education, housing, unwanted pregnancies and abortion, gay unions, labor unions, affirmative action, etc.

Subject: Re: Ok then bare with me on this.....
Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Sun, 18 Mar 2007 19:32:55 GMT
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Well, If I were to believe what you say, and I have no reason to doubt it, then it really doesn't matter which party you vote for because you would be unhappy with 50% of what they do. You describe yourself as a "conservative-leaning centrist". If this is true then you would be slightly better served by a Republican than a Democrat. Sounds like Guiliani might be your man. He's not my cup of tea because he has several liberal stances but to each his own.

Subject: OT: Did you ever get a telescope? (nt)
Posted by [colinhester](#) on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 02:20:36 GMT
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Subject: Re: OT: Did you ever get a telescope? (nt)
Posted by [Mr Vinyl](#) on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 17:06:26 GMT
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Hi Colinhester, Actually no, I never purchased one. I looked into it for some time but never actually did it. Other projects got in the way. I still want one for me and my sons. We are planning on moving soon and after that I will start looking again. I do/did appreciate your help though. Mr Vinyl
