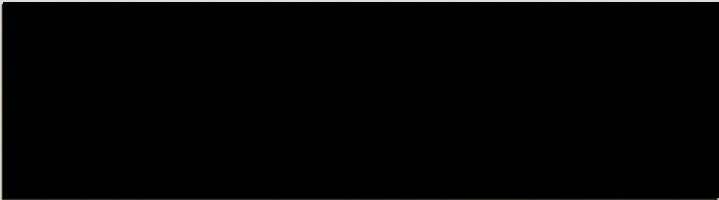

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Brian:

Since your panelists are most often journalists and usually from the Beltway, your viewers get a liberal dousing of the liberal philosophy.



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In a recent article in "Imprimis" (Hillsdale College) Larry Woiwode, a best seller author, makes this statement; "Once out of school nearly 60 percent of all adult Americans have never read a single book and most of the rest read only one book a year." In Myrtle Beach, which has many retirees, the one book a year may be low, but not by much. Reading books is ceasing to be a primary way of knowing something in our society.

Mr. Woiwode goes on to say, T.V. is more than a medium. It has become a full fledged institution backed by billions of dollars each season. It's producers want us to sit in front of its glazed over electronic screen (couch potatoes) while we are instructed in the proper liberal tone and attitude by our present day Platos and Aristotles - Dan Rather, Tom Brokaw, Peter Jennings, Lou Dobbs, Bernard Shaw and other blow dry anchor men, who with proper head nods and arched eyebrows, read a 30 second snippet or sound bite written by others. They call it news?

Isn't it a shame that so many people depend completely on the liberal T.V. media for their news and ideas. Many polls in the recent past have shown that most of the T.V. media, as well as the print media are liberal and usually vote for liberal candidates for political office. After confronting Rolfe Neil, President and Publisher of "The Charlotte Observer" with one of the polls, Rolfe agreed most of media is liberal and his reason is "They just are."

Added to the gloom and doom, plus "there is good news tonight but" (read butt) which the T.V. news anchors heap on the viewer, the industry also produces the "Talk Show" where guests are interviewed by the hosts (media giants) like Brinkley, McLaughlan, Novak, Kinsley, Clift, et al. These shows have a way of disintegrating into shouting matches with the arrogant media members interrupting the guest's comments when the answer does not suit the interviewer.

In addition to the big three you now have the even bigger C.N.N. Network which is owned by Ted Turner who is married to Vietnam Vera Fonda a/k/a Jane. If you don't think that duo influences the so called unbiased C.N.N. newspeople, think again. C-Span tries to present a fair analysis of the events of the day and succeeds except for the call-in portion. Most of the calls come from activists with their own agenda and end up with a statement rather than a question.

Even print journalism, which does better at in-depth reporting, is usually owned by a media conglomerate operating the only newspaper in the city. These conglomerates maintain Washington offices and syndicated writers who provide the national news coverage. As a result the public is still subject to the "within the belt way" mentality. Thank goodness for "The Wall Street Journal."

It is depressing to know that most Americans are mesmerized, hypnotized, and tranquilized by the liberal media which has more power over our lives than any educational system, or government or church. There is an answer and I frequently use it. I turn off the T.V. and open a book.

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