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28TH KZGN NEWS TALKING POINTS EDITORIAL
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THE TOPIC OF TODAYS EDITORIAL IS:

“IS IT OK TO DO SOMETHING WRONG NOW, IF SOMEONE EARLIER DID IT AND GOT AWAY WITH IT?“

 BUT FIRST, A COUPLE COMMENT ABOUT LAST TUESDAYS EDITORIAL TITLED: WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO GET THE MEDIA TO COVER A REAL HEROS DEATH?

TO RECAP, I BELIEVE THE MEDIA DEDICATES TOO MUCH TIME HONORING DEATHS OF PEOPLE IN THEIR PROFESSION OR HOLLYWOOD PEOPLE, WHEN THEY PROVIDE LITTLE COVERAGE TO FALLEN SOLDIERS, POLICE OR FIRE DEPARTMENT PEOPLE.

I THINK IT SHOULD BE THE OTHER WAY AROUND.

SOME FACEBOOK COMMENTS:

ELIZABETH SAID:

I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH TOM’S EDITORIAL IN THAT THE MEDIA CERTAINLY DOES LACK COVERAGE OF U.S. WAR HEROES.

REED SAID:

LIKE IT OR NOT CELEBRITIES WILL SELL MORE COPIES THAN WAR HEROES.

RYAN SAID:

AS A COUNTRY WE HAVE LOST SITE OF WHAT DEFINES "HERO", COMMANDS ATTENTION, AND DEMANDS RESPECT.

WELL, THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NOW ON TO TODAYS TOPIC:

“IS IT OK TO DO SOMETHING WRONG NOW, IF SOMEONE EARLIER DID IT AND GOT AWAY WITH IT?“

HAVE YOU NOTICED WHAT HAPPENS WHENEVER WE HEAR ABOUT SOME POLICITCIAN VIOLATING SOME RULE OR LAW?

THIS SPARKS UP SUPPORTERS TO JUMP IN TO DEFEND.

AND IT ENCOURAGES DETRACTORS TO JUMP IN AND ATTACK.

AND THE DEFENSE USUALLY EVOLVES INTO THE SUPPORTER POINTING OUT AN OPPONENT DOING THE SAME THING OR SIMILAR THING BEFORE AND GETTING AWAY WITH IT.

OR SAID ANOTHER WAY, THE SUPPORTER FEELS, IF YOU ATTACK MY GUY FOR DOING WHATEVER, WHY DIDN’T YOU ATTACK YOUR GUY WHEN HE DID IT?

1ST, I HAVE TO ASK, HOW DO YOU KNOW THE ATTACKER DIDN’T ATTACK THE PREVIOUS GUY IN THE PAST?

2ND, WHETHER THE PREVIOUS GUY DID OR DIDN’T GET AWAY WITH SOMETHING, DOES IT CHANGE WHAT JUST HAPPENED?

I KNOW THAT PART OF THE FRUSTRATION IS THAT MOST OF US DON’T LIKE THE PEOPLE WE AGREE WITH BEING ATTACKED.

MANY FEEL THE NEED TO DEFEND OUR GUY.WE ALL HAVE FLAWS AND ARE NOT PERFECT PEOPLE.

WE ALL MAKE MISTAKES.

I KNOW I HAVE MADE MISTAKES. I’M HUMAN.

BUT, I GUESS WHEN THE PEOPLE IN HIGH OFFICES OR POSITIONS DO IMPROPER THINGS, IT REALLY DOESN’T MATTER?

OR DOES IT?

I THINK IT DOES.

I THINK THE MORE A PERSON GAINS POSITION TO AFFECT LARGER AND LARGER GROUPS OF PEOPLE, THEY HAVE TO ACCEPT THAT THEY THEN HAVE THE BURDEN TO BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE,

AND TO NOT THINK THEY ARE ABOVE THE LAW OR ABOVE THE COMMON PERSON.

THEY ARE REALLY JUST LIKE YOU AND ME.

THEY MAY HAVE MORE THINGS, MORE MONEY, MORE FRIENDS, OR MORE PEOPLE DAUNTING AFTER THEM.

BUT IN THE END, THEY ALL FACE THE PEARLY GATES THE SAME WAY EVERYONE DOES.

NO ONE HAS FRONT OF LINE PRIVILAGES.

FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT DON’T BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A HEAVEN, SO BE IT. THAT’S OK WITH ME.

BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT WE WILL ULTIMATELY ANSWER FOR OUR LIVES ON EARTH SOMEHOW.

OR OUR KIDS WE LEAVE BEHIND WILL HAVE TO ANSWER FOR THINGS WE HAVE DONE.

NO ONE IS IMMUNE FROM ACCOUNTABILITY.

MANY TIMES WHEN A PERSON DOES SOMETHING WRONG, THEY OFTEN TRY AND FIND A REASON TO SAY IT WAS OK AND HERE’S WHY.

IF YOUR GUY IS ACCUSED OF DOING SOEMTHING WRONG, AND YOU DON’T THINK IT’S WRONG, SAY SO.

IF YOU THINK IT’S OK, SAY WHY YOU THINK IT’S OK.

BUT, DON’T DEFEND YOUR GUY FOR DOING SOMETHING WRONG, BY SAYING SOME OTHER GUY DID IT TOO.

IN CONCLUSION;

I DON’T CARE IF SOMEONE ELSE DID SOMETHING WRONG, AND GOT AWAY WITH IT.

IT DOESN’T CHANGE THE FACT THAT WHAT WAS DONE WAS WRONG.

IT DOESN’T MATTER WHO DID IT OR WHY.

IT JUST MATTERS IT WAS WRONG.

ADMIT TO OUR FLAWS.

LEARN FROM THEM AND DON’T MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE TWICE.

I’M TOM WIKNICH, AND THAT’S WHAT I THINK.

IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS ABOUT THIS EDITORIAL, OR WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS OR RECOMMEND A TOPIC, I’D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.

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