## Fire Tucker Carlson and Don Lemon



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When CNN's Don Lemon sounded like a sexist, the Rupert Murdoch media empire, including Fox News and the New York Post, urged his firing. Meanwhile, a Fox News personality, Tucker Carlson, who attracts New York Post journalists on his show, is being permitted to shill for Russia's KGB dictator and denigrate the fight for freedom in Ukraine. Tucker is doing far more damage than Lemon could ever do.

Contrast Tucker's love affair with Putin to Joshua Jones, a 24-year-old from Memphis, Tennessee, who traveled to fight with Ukraine against the Russan invaders. "My son believed in the fight," Joshua's father Jeffrey Jones said. "He believed that their Russian aggression against a freedom-loving people was worth the sacrifice."

A veteran of the U.S. Army, he was killed by the Russians and died on the battlefield of Ukraine in August of last year.

Local station ABC24 <u>reported</u>, "Initially joining the Norman Brigade, a group of foreign fighters fighting on the side of Ukraine, he was nicknamed 'Tactical Jesus' for his long hair, beard, and devout Christian faith."

"His faith was amazing," his mother <u>told</u> CNN. His <u>remains and</u> <u>personal effects</u>, including a Christian cross, were returned. Today, patches and stencils with Joshua's image are being worn by soldiers and even being placed on captured Russian war equipment.

At a memorial service, Ukrainian Armed Forces Major Gusovskyy said about Jones, "He was a true warrior and he was exemplary and he was sure about what he was doing."

Major Gusovskyy was interviewed by Jacqui Heinrich on Fox News on Saturday, where he paid tribute to Joshua Jones.

But the night before, Tucker Carlson was promoting the pro-Putin "Rage Against the War Machine" rally scheduled for D.C. on Sunday.

Tucker is sounding like the Fox News version of RT or Russia Today, a "news" outlet financed by the Kremlin and called KGB-TV by its critics.

"President Putin has an alluring combination of strength with gentleness," <u>said</u> Tara Reade, <u>the guest</u> on Tucker's show. Several <u>speakers</u> at the rally have documented ties to RT.

You may remember that Reade is the woman who accused Joe Biden of a sexual assault. It turns out she is having a love affair, of a plutonic nature, with Vladimir Putin. Suddenly she has become an expert on foreign affairs.

Fox described her appearance this way: "Author Tara Reade gives her reasoning for attending an anti-war rally in Washington, DC this weekend on Tucker Carlson Tonight."

In fact, she went on an anti-American diatribe, denouncing U.S. imperialism, the defensive NATO alliance, and aid to Ukraine. "We want peace," she said. "No more endless war," she added.

Tucker nodded in agreement, saying about her perspective, "We're proud to air it." Her perspective – that the U.S. should ignore Russian aggression – ignores the fact that the war was started by Putin, with the first invasion launched under Barack Hussein Obama. After President Clinton negotiated a "<u>Budapest Memorandum</u>" that sent Ukraine's nuclear weapons back to Moscow, in exchange for Russia's promise to respect Ukraine's territorial integrity, the Russians knew they could get away with murder.

Ignoring this fact, Tucker allowed Reade to claim there was a "kill list" of opponents of aid to Ukraine that turned out to be a list of politicians, academics, and activists promoting Russian propaganda. It reportedly included former Democrat Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard, now a Fox News contributor.

Looking back, we can see that Donald J. Trump turned out not to be the Russian agent portrayed by his political enemies. But Tucker and other "conservatives," such as Stephen K. Bannon, seem to be auditioning for the role. They want to abandon Ukraine.

Tragically, however, the president's son, Donald Trump Jr., has demonstrated that he is not like his father. Referring to the Palestine, Ohio, nightmare, he <u>says</u>, "Not one more cent for Ukraine till Americans get the care that they deserve and desperately need. Enough is enough of this insanity."

With this statement, he sounds just as stupid as Tucker. It doesn't make any sense to punish Ukraine for the sins of the Biden Administration here at home.

The true spirit of America was exemplified by Joshua Jones, who served his country AND died for freedom in Ukraine. It reminds me of the foreign support America received, especially from France, in our successful fight for independence.

To cite another example, Poland, said to be Putin's next target in Europe, helped the American revolution succeed.

"The signs of this friendship stand in our nation's capital," President Trump declared in his speech to the Polish people. "Just steps from the White House, we've raised statues of men with names like Pułaski and Kościuszko. (Applause.) The same is true in Warsaw, where street signs carry the name of George Washington, and a monument stands to one of the world's greatest heroes, Ronald Reagan. (Applause.)"

Polish nobleman <u>Casimir Pulaski</u> was a brigadier general in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War. Polish freedom fighter <u>Thaddeus Kosciuszko</u> was a military engineer who designed fortifications during the American Revolution.

Thomas Jefferson called him "As pure a son of liberty, as I have ever known..."

One of George Washington's famous quotes was that the new nation should avoid entangling alliances with other countries. At the same time, he realized that without the support of other nations, America would not exist.

Present-day "conservatives" like Tucker and Bannon ignore the foreign role in America's revolution and break with the Reagan doctrine of support for anti-communist freedom fighters, while demanding that America cease its aid to the people of Ukraine. They are betraying the spirit of America.

Regarding Don Lemon and Tucker Carlson, fire them both. Let's move on from these poor excuses for American journalism.

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