



THE DEADSPIN WALKOUT: IT WAS NEVER ABOUT SPORTS

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Look it, now, I'm one of those people who enjoy knowing the opinion of others.

For almost half my life I've been paid to tell others my own opinions.

The fence-sitting crowd doesn't do much for me, instead, I enjoy being able to provide an opinion, as well as hearing the opinions of others whenever practical.

I may not agree with someone else's opinion or view, and I'll be more than happy to tell them that, but I truly enjoy being able to debate issues while being able to argue different points of view and mixing it up with some healthy and edifying dialogue.

While your opinion may not coincide with my own, on a given subject, and while we can get into a verbal cross-exchange that involves points and counterpoints, even if you fail to articulate your side of the argument in ways that change my mind, you can be assured that although we might still

disagree, I will not only defend your right to your own thoughts and ideas, but additionally, I will respect them.

Though I might even conclude that you're out of your mind, completely lost and clueless, maybe even crazy, in the end, I maintain that you have a right to your opinion no matter how much it might differ from my own.

I believe, and you may correct me if you think I'm wrong, but I believe this is the essence of what some might describe as tolerance?

Of course, the dynamics of all of this would change substantially if you come at me like a douchebag, if you postulate in front of me without showing me any respect – if you comport yourself like a smarmy little pissant who deserves no respect in return.

In a case like this, I'll always do my best to slamdunk your disrespectful ass without apology.

Keep all of this in mind as I make my way through this piece.

Deadspin?

Right now things look like they're SpunDead.

Just how will the world be able to cope with the news that the entire staff over at the website, Deadspin, has walked out and quit their jobs?

I'm not sure any of us will be able to function for a while knowing that a bunch of smart-ass far-left millennials have decided to call it a day and show their employer just who's boss.

Actually, if we're going to be factual, it was the employer who showed the employees just who was boss – as is usually the case in matters such as this one.

But the staff at Deadspin?

Who do these people think they're kidding?

Stick to sports?

Sports?

Since when was Deadspin ever about sports?

The writing staff at Deadspin aren't sports fans as much as they're political activists who used sports as a prop by which they could push their far-left agenda on political and societal issues with regularity and consistency.

I recently watched a video on that site where one of their writers, David Roth, claims to be a life-long Mets fan, and yet, he mentioned how he remembered Dwight Gooden pitching a perfect game for the...Tampa Bay Rays.

Credit the people who run Deadspin, the management, who rightfully judged that they have other websites in their stable of Online media properties that do well enough covering the political and social spectrum (*from a far-left point of view*), and instead, made the decision that the Deadspin website should cover the sports world without the usual Trump-bashing they routinely took part in.

Although I'm sure that some enjoyed the far-left political meanderings by some of the Deadspin writing crew, I'm also sure that the edict handed down by management was the result of numbers and other information that showed the website was losing audience share, those seeking sports writing content who were often met with the antithesis of that.

And, of course, it's not just Trump who was routinely on the receiving end of the snarky and belittling Deadspin commentary, it was anything and everything under the sun that ran counter to how a staff of a few entitled punks saw the world.

Deadspin's mission, it seemed, was to promote a world-view that they insisted on pushing down everyone else's throats in the most draconian of ways.

The staff of writers at Deadspin took delight in skewering anything that wasn't a part of their crazy and insane far left-wing agenda, throwing it into a wood chipper, lighting it on fire, and then dancing around their offices like they were the kids on the island in the book, Lord Of The Flies.

The people who wrote for Deadspin possessed such an air of self-importance that it bordered on complete and total narcissism.

NARCISSISM: selfishness, involving a sense of entitlement, a lack of empathy, and a need for admiration, as characterizing a personality type.

However, I fear that those who took part in the Deadspin universe over the last several years are unfortunately reflective of this country's future.

Do you weep for whatever future this country might have?

I'll bet many of you are weeping right now – to say nothing of the future.

If you were looking for a website that placed an emphasis on rejecting anything having to do with what could be considered normal or decent – then Deadspin was most definitely your cup of tea.

Fox Sports very own Jason Whitlock recently referred to the cabal of writers at this site as a bunch of "*thugs*."

Obama was Deadspin's god, Jemelle Hill was their hero, and former Vikings punter Chris Kluwe was their champion voice constantly pushing the homosexuality and transgenderism issue down your throat at every chance along with many of their writers.

I once sent Kluwe an email and asked him if my faith was allowed to override whatever his thoughts were on this subject?

Kluwe got back to me and essentially told me to tell God to go take a hike – and if I didn't – Kluwe let me know that I was to be considered a homophobe. Well, of course, he did, and, of course, I am.

In fact, that topic seemed to be a main pillar to the Deadspin platform, with constant notations about this area of society.

Oh, make no mistake, you were encouraged by Deadspin to be a homosexual, a lesbian, or a transgender person, and they offered you their tacit support, but *only* under the tenants of what I consider the inarguable far-left insanity they promoted.

If you're a homosexual or a lesbian and you take a slightly different view of the world than the one Deadspin demands, then you were ex-communicated from the Deadspin church and labeled as a traitor to their cause, outcast and not ever worthy of their support.

Begone, you fucking heretic!

You either conformed to Deadspin's societal edicts or you risked their unholy wrath down a number of different paths they carved.

Humanism and a secular point of view were always Deadspin's world.

A Christian faith?

What the hell is that?

Something to deride and heckle for the slimebuckets over at Deadspin at every turn.

With me referring to the Deadspin staff as "*slimebuckets*", is this a little less offensive than Jason Whitlock calling those people "*thugs*?"

If you're a Christian, under Deadspin's own made-up and self-governing rules, you have no right to be insulted or outraged when they took your belief system and faith and mangled it without apology.

See, in Deadspin's world, they always had the green light to offend those they deemed worthy of offending, but they played this game under a set of rules they made up as they went along – and it always favored Deadspin as they tilted the playing field to suit their needs in an effort to diminish others.

Tim Tebow was a regular and consistent punching bag for the punks over at Deadspin.

It was always open-season on anything related to Christianity over at Deadspin, but funny, Deadspin's writing staff was never a collection of people who I can recall going after the faith of Islam in the same ways they habitually went after Christianity.

I wonder why?

The Muslim faith, unlike the Christian faith, orders homosexuals to be put to death, however, this is one of those inconvenient truths that those at Deadspin chose to ignore, of course.

It was always okay for Deadspin to mock others they considered to be beneath them with a certain amount of glee that was often reflected in many of their stories.

But don't anyone ever push back against Deadspin, because in that case, you were deemed a racist, you were a homophobe, you had white-privilege, you were a Nazi, you were a misogynist, you were an intolerant, you were a bigot, you were a white-supremacist, and with you being all of these

things, the world would be a better place if you would simply look for the nearest bridge to jump off of.

Deadspin was big fans of the domestic-terrorist group that goes by the name of ANTIFA.

Then again, what person in their right mind wouldn't be for a group of marauding law-breakers who have taken various cities hostage, set public-property on fire, closed down roadways, destroyed people's businesses, physically attacked others, and generally conduct themselves like a bunch of anti-social pricks without any regard for anyone else but them?

Deadspin was for open-borders and uncontrolled immigration.

Of course, this is their supreme right to feel this way, however, I do find myself wondering just how many of the illegal immigrants who made their way into America, how many of these people did those who were a part of the Deadspin staff take into their own homes?

How many did they clothe and feed, how many of the illegals that streamed across America's borders did they drive down to governmental offices so that many of these people could begin living off of the government teat...if not the American taxpaying public?

Deadspin worshiped at the altar of Global Warming.

We simply agree to disagree here.

Deadspin was unapologetically in favor of abortion on demand.

We really agree to disagree on this one.

Deadspin was crestfallen when Hillary Clinton was canceled out by another candidate who beat her, all while parading out one sarcastic and mean-spirited piece after another about her opponent prior to the election.

This, of course, was all before the other guy won the Presidency, which in turn made those at the Deadspin offices go into convulsions while demonstrating unhinged apoplectic behavior which has continued non-stop ever since the date of November 8, 2016.

Deadspin confirmed that, without a doubt, that the Russian conspiracy theory wasn't a conspiracy at all, it was a fact.

I believe they're out of their minds for believing such fantasy, but hey,
believe it if you so choose to.

Deadspin cheered on the cretins who destroyed a community like Ferguson,
Missouri.

Again, a view they're entitled to.

But I'd love to know, if those same people who caused such chaos and
anarchy in Ferguson, if instead, they destroyed some of the communities
that the Deadspin staff resided in, I do find myself wondering if
Deadspin's support for such atrocities would be as enthusiastic?

Deadspin took the side of a young juvenile-delinquent by the name of
Treyvon Martin.

Certainly a polarizing set of circumstances that many people feel
differently about, right?

Deadspin was obviously in the room when justice Brett Kavanaugh raped that
woman 25-years ago.

I wasn't, so I guess I'll defer to those at Deadspin on this one.

Deadspin ascertained that without question, the National Football League
was not only made up of a group of *old white guy owners* – but in addition
– many of these owners were racists of the worst kind.

I see.

Well, I'd love for anyone at Deadspin to send me the name of the company in
America who has made more non-white people millionaires over the last
30-years?

Deadspin did all they could to inflame racial hostilities in America by
always doing what they could to trumpet identity politics, keeping the
valve open and pumping as much poison into the system as possible – while
also doing their part in keeping the victimhood narrative alive and well.

The above was always par for the course for those at Deadspin.

Deadspin encouraged athletes to speak their minds, to take a stand, to
indulge in the politics and policies across our country...that is, as long
as those athletes advocated for the identical things that Deadspin valued.

On the other end of the spectrum, any athletes speaking their minds for things that Deadspin was against were considered dead to them – or worse.

Such athletes should really just pipe down.

Colin Kaepernick was Superman to those in Deadspin's offices.

Nick Bosa? Not so much.

Charles Barkley was a person that Deadspin adored, someone their staff couldn't wait to hear what Barkley would say next. After all, former athletes are people too, right?

But, Curt Schilling?

He should simply shut up because his views clearly don't matter, and besides, the man is clearly a racist.

Dan Le Batard was Deadspin's idea of the perfect sports radio host.

Clay Travis was an inhuman piece of shit.

On one hand, Deadspin demanded the right to be heard, they championed free-expression as something that was to be valued in America, that the 1st Amendment was the bedrock of our society.

On the other hand, Deadspin threw office parties whenever someone who took an opposing point of view was neutered, suspended, or fired.

In Deadspin's world, NFL defensive lineman Michael Bennett was an arch-angel, while the entire Las Vegas police department was a bunch of white-sheet wearing racists...even though the arresting officers in the case of Bennett were two non-white officers of the law.

Deadspin loved themselves some Bernie Sanders and his socialistic, if not, communist, views.

What?

Deadspin used to hurl invective and all kinds of epithets at people such as George W. Bush and the late John McCain...that is until both individuals became useful idiots to the staff at Deadspin when they realized both individuals could be advantageous to their agenda and cause.

Me? I've always considered Bush and McCain to be idiots irrespective of their political affiliation.

These are mean and despicable people on all levels, folks, with no regard for anyone else's feelings, evidenced most recently by their demand that management shut the fuck up and leave them alone to do whatever they well pleased...as though they ran and owned the company.

Tolerance and competing points of view were not debated by those at Deadspin as much as these words were lit on fire by these maggots.

Again, "*thugs*" versus "*maggots*." Who wins, me, or Jason Whitlock?

Deadspin insisted on using the world of sports, not so much to write about those things revolving around the sports world, instead, they endeavored to use their forum in an effort to socially engineer their readers with doctrine and dogma that they considered inarguable and infallible with no debate or counterpoints ever welcomed.

Once Deadspin arrived at a conclusion, no matter what it was, it was to be taken as gospel, and any resistance was met with abusive and disparaging return volley.

Deadspin played the race-card with relish, and not only did they do this, but in addition, they played the white-man-is-evil song over and over again.

Deadspin's own white-guilt was on display almost every day.

If you're a white person who reads Deadspin and you now think you're living much too high on the hog with advantages in your life that you simply don't deserve, listen now, no matter if you worked hard to achieve certain goals and objectives, if you get up each day dreading your own disgusting white face that looks back at you in the mirror each morning, well, you can blame the used to be staff over at Deadspin for that.

Columns that were written about race, authored mostly by young white millennials, made sure to remind readers that if they too were white – that they were the ones most responsible for the downfall of society as well as the disadvantages most others face in this thing we call life.

Yes, this too was to be considered inarguable Deadspin facts concerning these things – and you'll concur – or else.

Deadspin's writing staff was identical to many on the far-left, they preached tolerance, they advocated for diversity, however, they campaigned for these things on their terms exclusively, which is to say that they never really believed in what they said, what they did, and their actions and stories more than proved this over and over.

The staff walked out because they apparently believed that the management of their website didn't possess the same "*open mind*" to things that they did.

Bullshit.

Sure, they wanted a license to print their opinions and comments about a host of political and societal talking points, pushing a consistent chronology of views that meshed with their non-debatable ideology – and with no resistance from anyone.

The self-importance these people at Deadspin assigned to themselves was staggering.

Had Deadspin's management acquiesced to the staff's demands and allowed them to continue writing about everything *not having to do with sports* – but then also hired a few writers who had a competing view of the world – this same staff would have held their breath and stomped their feet like the infants they've always shown themselves to be.

How do you suppose the writing staff at Deadspin would have reacted had a new author been introduced to the website, a person of conservative values, traditional values, who also wore his or her Christian faith on their sleeve?

Do you think the staff would have warmly greeted such a person, shook their hand, told this person that they were glad to have them on board despite a host of ideological differences, or do you suppose they would have demeaned and castigated such an individual with every chance available to them?

I think you know the answer to such a question.

So now, most of Deadspin's staff is out of work, out on the street and needing to re-evaluate what their next steps will be.

In some ways, I admire their bullishness, their convictions, their belief that Deadspin was a better website when all kinds of political and social haranguing was a big piece of the Deadspin puzzle.

However, while immediate gratification and a sense of telling the man to go fuck off might be a feeling they possess today, the euphoria of such excitement will quickly dissipate once all of the pats on their backs from their sycophants and groupies come to an end.

Then what?

Perhaps they'll go online in an effort to raise some capital that could give birth to a new platform for those who were told to knock off the political talk on their previous online home?

I guess that's always a possibility.

But it's not as easy as it sounds, believe me, as I speak from experience.

Then again, the writers who resigned and quit on the spot could start their own individual online blogs if they wanted to.

Then again, if all else fails, I suppose that the world always could use a few extra cab drivers.

At the very least its a noble profession and one that puts dollars in your pocket every day.

I'll be glad to make a call for any of these now unemployed writers if I'm ever needed.

I do know that the cab company I'm currently driving for is looking for those who are willing to work for the overnight shift right now.

Someone alert Drew Magery, and let him know I'm always here for him.

It's a cold and unforgiving world out there, folks.