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Re: Comments on the UPN thing [Kiviat]

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> Date: Fri, 23 Jan 1998 17:00:56 -0800
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>Kevin Randle wrote:

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>> First let me point out that this program was not disinformation,
>> it was entertainment (not that Russ or some of the others have
>> suggested that). It was produced to make money for UPN and Bob
>> Kiviat.

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>Nope, it was produced and copyrighted by The Dick Clark Film
>Group, Inc. Executive Producers (the dudes who put up the cash
>and get the profit) were Dick Clark and Neil Stearns.

>You can't blame this one on Kiv.

>Terry

Sorry, folks, but a friend in California told me that good ole
Kiviat was involved in this this. Saw a couple of other posts
that mentioned him, but apparently that information is in error.
I stand corrected on that.

However, that doesn't change the main point which is that we, in
the UFO community had better become more discriminating in our
participation in UFO programs. When we lend our good names to
these sort of productions, we harm the entire field for we are
all lumped into the same boat.

John Velez, in his communication with the producers realized that
this program was going to harm us all. To his great credit, he
decided not to participate.

We all have to realize that not everyone in the world is as tuned
into the UFO phenomena as we are. They see a program like the UPN
show and believe that we all are like that. We all have no
intelligence, we are gullible, and we believe everything that is
said about UFOs. And this program reinforced that opinion by the
participation of leaders in the field.

When they were not shown the video, that should have provided them with a clue about the nature of that video. We must realize that some people work to make money and no other consideration matters. That's why there are programs like the UPN show. Make money, exploit the situation, and run to the next project. They care nothing for all the time, effort, money, research, and lost family contact that has gone into learning what is happening. They just want to make money.

But even with that, we must assume some of the blame. We are only too willing to jump in front of the camera to provide "the best information." I say again, we must realize that sometimes the publicity is not worth it. Again, I doubt that many of us would care to see our names in THE WEEKLY WORLD NEWS.

So, part of the blame falls on us and we must accept that blame. It is too easy to blame UPN for what is our desire for the spotlight.

KRandle

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