

# COMMENTARY

## Never surrender to the radical left

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The Democrat Party that once fought for the middle class has gone the way of the dodo bird. It no longer believes in the greatness of America or the premise that with hard work and ability, anyone can succeed. It seeks to impose a New World Order ruled by Socialists, and it cares nothing for the suffering that law abiding American citizens are subjected to. All they care about is the power to implement their policies so they can achieve total control of property, people, and the means of production. The current anarchy, destruction of history, and persecution of people of faith are well documented in the formative years of



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Communist dominated nations. The Democrat party is now controlled by radicals who want to tear America apart piece by piece and rebuild it as an entity that fits their repressive, hateful ideology.

I can prove it:  
Consider H.R. 5383: The "New Way Forward" act, introduced December of 2019, has a stated purpose of overturning all current immigration laws, transforming America into a borderless refuge for criminal aliens. Read it yourself at Congress.Gov. Sponsored by 44 Democrats, including Omar and McCollum of Minnesota, here are a few "highlights".

- No crime committed by an immigrant would trigger deportation, not even crimes like rape, child molestation, armed robbery, assault, murder, or felony drug charges. Deportation would only be indicated if the sentence included at least five years in pris-

- Using false documents to enter America would no longer be a crime.
- Drug possession or addiction would not be grounds for refusing entrance to America or grounds for deportation.
- Illegal entry to America would not be grounds for deportation, and would not be a crime.
- Individuals fleeing incarceration for criminal activity in other countries would not be subject to deportation.

on, and even then an immigration judge could rescind deportation.

Think that's crazy? Wait till you hear the best part. Deported criminal aliens would be entitled to reparations. That's right folks. You, the taxpayer, would have to pay to contact previously deported criminals and buy them a plane ticket back to the USA, about 440,000 of them at a cost of a billion dollars or so BEFORE the cost of providing

them free social service benefits such as health care.

But Democrat leadership killed this travesty, right? Wrong! Far from dead, in January it was sent to the House Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. My guess, it will stay there pending the November elections, hoping enough people like Dan Feehan will sneak into office and vote for it. And don't think he won't vote for this and any other radical legislation Democrat leadership tells him to. Nancy Pelosi did not hand pick this guy without eliciting assurances he will vote her way 100% of the time. I spoke with him personally, he is not pro-life, he is not pro-second amendment, he is not for limited government.

Democrat Jordan Fontenello is running against our 28b Representative Greg Davids. He wrote a commentary in the 6/22 *Journal* designed to convince us what a great job he will do, reaching across the aisle and working for his constituents. Okay, let's hear some specifics. Would he vote

to protect our right to keep and bear arms? Would he vote to end the recent tyranny of authoritarian rule forced on rural Minnesota by Governor Walz? Would he vote to support the sanctity of human life, born and unborn? Will he support the tax and spend policies that favor the wish list of the Metro over the needs of our own District 28b?

The forced isolation, rioting, and looting of the past couple months are a preview of life under socialism. H.R. 5383 tells us all we need to know about the agenda of the radical leftists who control the Democrat Party. If we want to preserve the qualities of goodness and freedom that exist in America, this is no time to be cowed into silence. We must exhibit the courage of our convictions.

Finally, an appeal to local clergy; Please respond in writing to recent smears of Christianity by Van Gorp and Rendahl.

Thank you!  
God Bless,  
Jeff

## One Moment, Please...

### The things people say to each other on social media

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While I believe there are some positive initiatives that have been launched from platforms like Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, and the like, we cannot deny the negatives.



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A young man around 26 years

old recently got into an argument with someone on Twitter. The person on the other end responded by tracking this young man down and shooting him in front of his family. The story ended with one young man's funeral and another young man charged with murder. All because of a war of words on Twitter.

A sad story. And true. And, I know the father who lost his son. He lives in Fillmore County.

From my observation, social media has evolved in a way that

can be comparable to road rage.

Nowadays, when someone cuts you off while behind the wheel, you probably don't want to present any hand gestures. You never know what kind of response that might provoke.

On social media, I see people tearing each other apart in so many ways. It's disheartening.

And, I don't believe anybody ever convinced those with opposing views to think otherwise on social media; namely Facebook.

People just fight back and forth, and frankly it's unhealthy.

It's a lose-lose situation.

Listen to your grandma: "If you don't have something nice to say, then don't say anything at all."

Social media can be tremendously unhealthy because of how we treat each other.

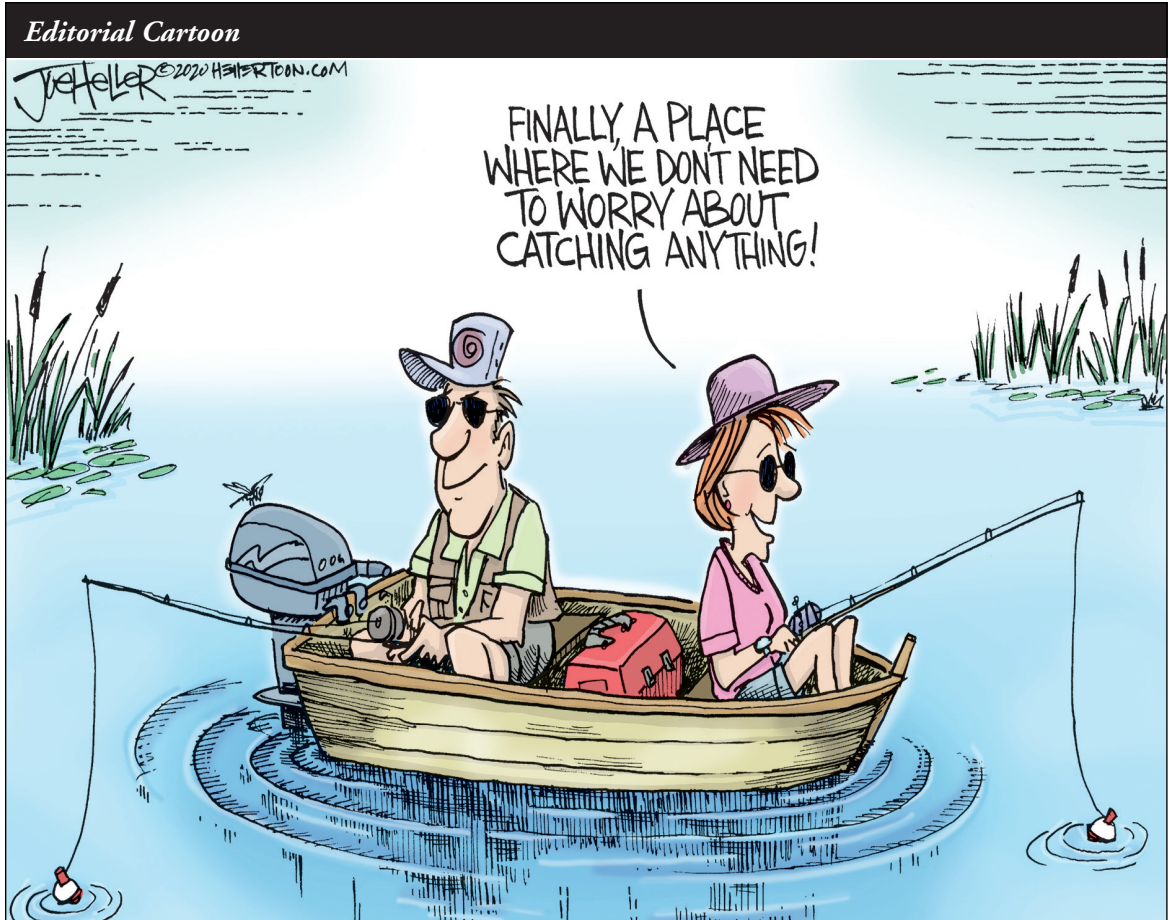
I'm pretty sure that most people would never antagonize each other in-person like they

do on social media. Or, at least I hope so.

Set two people with opposing views in a room, and they will most likely find common ground; or at least decency.

Social media divides, creating echo-chambers along the way.

I think we can do better. Or, at least I hope so.



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