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On July 26, 1990, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was signed into law, ensuring the civil rights of people with disabilities. This legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities. On July 26, 2020, the 30-year anniversary of the signing of the ADA, Arlington County will celebrate and recognize the progress that has been made by reaffirming the principles of equality and inclusion and recommitting our efforts to reach full ADA compliance.

Become a part of the celebration and re-commitment to the ADA throughout the year by taking the ADA 30th Anniversary Pledge.

“While we have made progress over the past 30 years, there is still work to do to advance full accessibility in our community,” said Rosemary Ciotti, Chair of the Arlington Disability Advisory Commission. “When we provide access for people with disabilities, we provide access for everyone.”

In taking the pledge, organizations join the Arlington County Commissions and Advisory Boards in a commitment to advance accessibility for Arlington residents, businesses, and visitors.

Nearly 20 organizations have already taken the ADA 30th Anniversary Pledge, including the Arlington County Disability Advisory Commission, Arlington Free Clinic, Boulevard Manor Civic Association, NAACP Arlington Branch #7047 and OAR of Arlington, Alexandria and Falls Church.

The County Disability Advisory Commission directs attention to, and advises the County on ways to meet the full range of needs of individuals with sensory and physical disabilities and assists in seeking compliance with federal and state legislative mandates.

The ADA has expanded opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers, changing perceptions and increasing full participation in community life. However, the full promise of the ADA will only be reached if everyone remains committed to continued efforts to fully implement the ADA.

MAKING THE CENSUS ACCESSIBLE

As we celebrate this milestone, it is also a reminder of the importance of ensuring that all members of the Arlington community with disabilities are represented in the 2020 Census. Every person in our community – regardless of age, race, or ability – needs to be

counted in the Census.

Today, nearly 61 million people in the U.S. live with a disability, and according to data estimates from the Census Bureau, more than 6 percent of Arlington’s population lives with a disability. Taking the Census is crucial to ensure that people with disabilities are accurately counted and represented in the local, state and federal levels of government. Funding for numerous important programs in Arlington that support members of the community with disabilities are also tied to Census data, such as Medicare, Medicaid, education programs, and public transportation.

For the first time, the 2020 decennial Census is available online, and the Census has taken steps to ensure that this will be the most accessible Census yet, including improving its website and offering more resources to take the census for those with disabilities.

ACCESSIBLE WAYS TO TAKE THE CENSUS

Whether you are completing your form online, by phone, by mail, or in person, the Census has set up a number of ways to make sure your census form is accessible.

Online: The Census is available online

at my2020census.gov in 13 languages, and video guides in over fifty languages, including American Sign Language, are available to help with the online response process. The Census website is also 508-compliant.

By phone: You can respond to the Census by phone in 13 languages, and by Telephone Display Device (TDD) technology at 844-467-2020.

By mail: If you are completing your form via mail, the census has guides in 59 non-English languages, as well as in Braille and large print, that are available online to assist with completing the paper questionnaire.

In person: Census takers will start to conduct household interviews in Arlington this week. The Census has enumerators available who are fluent in American Sign Language, and you can request for a Census taker who communicates in American Sign Language to visit your household.

Arlington County Government is committed to the true spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act, striving to ensure that persons with disabilities can access services, participate in programs and benefit from all community resources, ensuring that Arlington County is a community that includes all its residents. Accommodations are available upon request.

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NEWS

Buddy Is Worth the Wait

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
ARLINGTON CONNECTION

Judy Keen thought she wanted to adopt an older beagle. It had been months since Lilly, her rescue dog of indeterminate origin, had died and she missed the company. She started searching around before COVID but as COVID expanded she knew she would be stuck at home “and I wanted the company.”

But maybe she didn't really want another dog, and was this the right time? She'd had Lilly for 7 years; was it time to be free? Of course she has a “Who Saved Who?” bumper sticker on her car.

Keen started looking around at different adoption agencies. She filled out her application form but, “I kept missing dogs that I liked because the agencies were flooded with applications. Everybody was at home during COVID and wanted a dog.”

Keen thought she wanted a beagle because she had owned a beagle in the past. “My neighbor around the corner told me about Beagle Rescue Education and Welfare (BREW) so I filled out another application six weeks ago or so and waited.” Keen said a volunteer called her to see what she sounded like on the phone and the next step in the process was a home tour.

“I did a virtual tour around my house with my cell phone.” She says they want to know where the dog will be living but can't do it in person right now. She kept waiting and checking in every couple of weeks only to find “adoption pending” signs on her choices. They asked her to please be patient.

“They were overwhelmed everywhere.” She says she gave up for a couple of weeks but then she noticed BREW was having an open adoption where you could actually see what the dog looks like in person.

So on July 18 she headed for Manassas. “I had identified a dog I liked but it was already spoken for. But I went anyway. Where else can you go right now? I was next in line



PHOTOS BY SHIRLEY RUHE/ARLINGTON CONNECTION

Buddy sniffs everything within reach of his nose including the neighbor's coreopsis.

so I was just hanging around waiting and holding a dog here and there.”

Several hours later her next door neighbor noticed four legs bounding up the deck steps to Keen's back door. Stubbins had arrived. About dinnertime Keen walked up and down the block social distancing and introducing her new beagle to every neighbor she passed.

“She, I mean ‘he’ is so calm,” Keen says remembering Lilly whose stubborn and opinionated personality had ruled the house. Stubbins seemed more interested in sniffing — sniffing the sidewalk, taking a detour to the coreopsis flowers, inspecting each blade of grass. Keen's neighbor from down the street offered the observation that she used to have a beagle and they like to sniff everything.

“What kind of a name is Stubbins? I don't know who named her. I don't like it; do you?” Thus began the neighborhood suggestion box on names for the dog.

“How about Wiggles? I mean look at that white-tipped tail. It wags all the time.” How

about Buster?”

Keen says, “She, I mean ‘he’ is a rescue dog from Louisa County. It drives me crazy; it is a stray so I don't know anything about ‘her’; I mean ‘his’ past.” Keen says most dogs in BREW have been fostered so you know a little about their habits but in this case the dog didn't come with any history.

Keen says, for instance, she has discovered this dog doesn't seem to like taking long walks. He just goes out to do his business and then is ready to come back in. “I have the feeling the dog would do well with another animal in the house. When I just went to visit my son overnight, I introduced my new dog to his cat. He tried to play but scared the cat to death, and the cat ran away, hair flying.”

She has discovered that the new dog doesn't like the soft buffalo or salmon treats she has been trying to feed him because he recently had dental surgery. “But he does like chicken.” So after trying out a number of options, Keen came up with the name Buddy. “It's just right. I needed a buddy.”



Buddy and his new owner, Judy Keen, seem to have different definitions of a walk.



Buddy surveys his new surroundings after rescue by BREW in Louisa County.

ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE



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EDUCATION

A Senior Year Unlike Any Other

Recent high school grads, Class of 2021 face college uncertainty amid pandemic.

BY BRIDGETTE ADU-WADIER
ARLINGTON CONNECTION

Senior year, Mikaela Pozo, a 2019 graduate of T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, applied to 17 colleges. Despite the copious essays and application fees, she needed to cast a wide net. An immigrant and first-generation college student, Pozo would depend on scholarships to realize her college dreams. So she applied to pricier private universities that could give her more grants as an international student.

But as college decisions came, Pozo had few options. Her top choice rejected her. Most of the colleges that accepted her such as George Washington University and the University of Richmond gave her no financial aid.

She did receive a full-ride to George Mason University, which she will be attending in the fall.

"It's definitely not the school I thought I would be attending," said Pozo. "It was not a part of the plan. The reason why I chose George Mason was because it was the most

financially feasible option."

She's just one student whose college plans differed from initial expectations. Several other recent high school grads are re-evaluating college options amid the pandemic and financial crisis. The students behind them, the Class of 2021, are navigating a new college admissions landscape.

"Because of COVID-19, I had to think about what was the best option financially," said Pozo. "Hypothetically, if I did take out a loan and go to the University of Richmond while we have COVID-19 happening, my mom loses her job and can't help me pay for school. Would there be any opportunities for me to pay off the loan? I would be taking a risk."

Reopening plans for colleges don't make the decision making any easier. George Mason University plans to start its fall semester on schedule with a hybrid plan including both online and in-person classes, but final decisions have yet to be made. Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) will continue most of its classes online.

For some students, the first year of college done remotely is anything but ideal.



Isabella Russo, rising senior at H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program, performing The Hunchback of Notre Dame at the Theatre Lab in July 2018.

She wants to pursue musical theatre and is preparing to navigate live online auditions when she applies to college.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

"I do theatre and you just sit in a big room with a bunch of people for two hours. It's definitely disappointing to not know that I'll have the opportunity to do a show in a normal format."

— Isabella Russo, H-B Woodlawn Class of 2021

María Areyán, a 2019 T.C. Williams graduate who took a gap year, is excited to start her first year of college at NOVA. However, she's not happy about the Zoom lectures.

"I'm not very good at online learning,

which is something that I'm scared about," said Areyán. "I'm more functional in a classroom than I am in my room."

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College plans aren't the only thing that's changed. Commonly regarded as a rite of passage, the traditional senior year experience is now anything but. The Class of 2020 had their senior year upended with a virtual graduation ceremony, no prom, and a pandemic crashing it all.

"There was so much going on in the world, it was difficult to think about college when there were so many other things I had to think about and process," said Pozo.

The Class of 2021 will have to deal with the same thing, all on top of college applications, possible first days of school over Zoom and rising uncertainty as the pandemic continues.

Fairfax and Loudoun counties have announced a complete virtual fall reopening for its students. Arlington has also followed suit, which means another several months of online classes for many seniors.

"It kind of stinks for my senior because there's no pep rallies, no football games," said Quinn Jones, an Arlington native and rising senior at Stafford High School. "Pretty much all the fun stuff is gone."

Kennetra Smith, a rising senior at Thomas Edison High School in Fairfax, feels uncertain about a new online school year. As a first-generation Ghanaian-American, she struggled to balance high expectations and schoolwork on top of scholarship applications.

"It's going to be really hard to make those connections with my new teachers this year," said Smith. "How do I put myself out there for my teachers and how do I engage?"

"As much as I would love to see my teachers, I just can't imagine feeling okay with that, given how much cases have been rising recently," said Isabella Russo, a rising senior at H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program. "Keeping teachers safe in addition to students is really important. I'd rather have a teacher on a video than a teacher who's sick at home."

The pandemic is also causing a shakeup in college admissions. Schools have adopted pass/fail grading and taking college admissions tests like the SAT and ACT have become nearly impossible.

"I registered for one [SAT] in March but it got canceled the day before because of COVID-19 and everything," said Jones.

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Yulisa Morales, 2020 T.C. Williams graduate and SFA Scholarship Recipient. She's heading to Virginia State University in the fall to pursue social work.

"Now I'm debating on whether or not I should take it."

In response, many Virginia universities such as the University of Virginia and Virginia Tech have made test scores optional for admission.

For Russo, the rules of college admissions have completely changed. Her traditional high school experience included several performances in school plays and city theatres, as well as preparing for musical theatre auditions at colleges. With the pandemic, many audition processes have gone virtual and Russo has spent her summer trying to make sense of it all.

"There's just a lot of schools to keep track of and different requirements," said Russo. "Getting a set-up at my house to film all this stuff and be able to do all these live online auditions is definitely something that I'm practicing now... If my family is even comfortable going to an audition where all these kids are there and close together and singing, it's something to think about."

"We're very worried about the students," said Beth Lovain of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria. "But at some point, it all will go back to normal."

Safety is the highest priority for Russo, even if it means sacrificing the normalcy that in-person performances gave her.

"I do theatre and you just sit in a big room with a bunch of people for two hours," said Russo. "It's definitely disappointing to not know that I'll have the opportunity to do a show in a normal format."

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Our Pets and the Pandemic

BY JOAN BRADY
Joan Brady, award winning Connection Newspapers columnist and local photographer specializing in pets, children and families and contemporary business portraits. Contact Joan at joan@joanbradyphotography.com

Pets are spending a lot more time with owners as a result of the pandemic.



PHOTO BY AMANDA LONG

Laser Long is a five-year-old hound mix who lives in Bailey's Crossroads. Having her owners, Amanda and Robert, home has been a bit of a mixed bag for her. According to Amanda, if Laser doesn't get the attention she feels she deserves, she has taken to "harrumphing" and throwing herself on the floor in an exaggerated and loud display of exasperation. If Laser could talk, she would most definitely be asking questions about Robert's new style of dress; A fancy dress shirt with shorts, which he wears while he talks to his computer, what is that?



PHOTO BY AZIN GHESMATI

Merlot Ghesmati is a seven-and-a-half-year-old Havanese who lives in Arlington with her owner, Azin. The virus has meant that Merlot spends a great deal of time with her four-legged cousins, Cameron and Toto at their house. And boy does she love bossing them around. If Merlot could talk? She'd say her mom is the one who's really bossy!



PHOTO BY AKIRA BRADLEY

King Bradley of Potomac Falls, is described by his owner, Akira, as a "party mix," which, by the way, might just be my own personal favorite new "breed." Four-year-old King has also found new ways to get the attention of his parents, sitting with his chin on the window sill, like "a trapped Disney Princess" and sighing to signal that it's time they all get a little fresh air. If King could talk, he would definitely express his annoyance that his mom has decided to get in on the homeschooling rage and is constantly asking him to pick the plastic cup that is hiding a treat. His mom and dad own barkingwiththebradleys.com and King is hoping when all those boarders return that the homeschooling will come to an end



PHOTO BY JOAN BRADY

Mortimer (Morty) Pearlman is a four month old English Bulldog and is the pride of the Clarendon neighborhood in Arlington. Morty is a k-19, having become a Pearlman during the pandemic. He's a puppy, so pretty much everything he does is adorable, even when he is destroying everything in the house. If he could talk, he would probably ask why his mom, Heather, is always singing the Baby Shark song. I think we all know why.



PHOTO BY TINA ASADOORIAN

Ginger & Gilligan (Gilly) Asadoorian are ten and eight, respectively. Currently residing in Great Falls, this Hound/ Shepherd mix and English Springer Spaniel have had a pretty eventful lock-down. Poor Ginger managed to tear the ACLs in both of her hind legs and Gilly has become more attached during the stay-at-home order and a little sneakier at that. He likes to sneak up the backstairs and curl up behind his mom and dad's bed, only to be discovered when his loud snoring begins. If they could talk, Gilly and Ginger would ask what the deal is with the humans always talking to their computers.



PHOTO BY JOHN ASADOORIAN



PHOTO BY JACKIE STOUT (LUCY IN STROLLER)

Lucy Stout is a golden retriever living in Great Falls. If Lucy could talk, she would probably say that at thirteen and a half, owners Jackie and Dale were a little slow to get her a set of wheels for all of those long, lock-down walks.



PHOTO BY JOAN BRADY

Jackie, Dale and Lucy Stout of Great Falls
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PHOTO BY KRISTIN JOHNSON

Emma Johnson is an eighteen-year-old domestic tabby. She and her mom, Kristin, have lived together in Arlington for more than 15 years. As a result, they are pretty aware of each others' idiosyncrasies. If Emma could talk, more than likely she would say that nothing surprises her at this point.



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE MONTGOMERY

Fletcher Montgomery is a four-ish-year-old female hound mix living in Arlington. Apparently, during the stay-at-home order, he started a new habit of sitting and staring at the front hall closet. Which, if he could talk, he would explain. Apparently, his owners started a new lock-down practice of stashing his wiffle balls in there and they only seem to remember to take them out and play with him, when he reminds them, by staring at the closet door.



PHOTO BY ANGELA DEAVEN

Zizou Deaven is a fourteen-year-old Tuxedo. While he lives in Arlington now, he started life in Portland, Oregon and flew to Dulles to join his new family in 2011. Zizou decided during the lockdown that the printer is the most comfortable bed in the house. If he could talk, he would more than likely ask some questions about the new, weird workout habits he has observed, where cast iron pans and other random household objects play a large role.

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Some bespoke doghouses are donated to charity auctions.



PHOTO BY LA PETITE MAISON

Doghouses Built for Luxury and Charity

From marble floors to glass roof tops, when it comes to the options for dream doghouses, the sky's the limit.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

Marble floors and winding staircases might come to mind when imagining a dream home. These features also characterize luxury doghouses, says former Bethesda architect and interior designer Alex Dooley, who has designed and built 12 high-end canine abodes during the past year.

"I've just started selling most of what I've built to family and friends," she said. "I've given 10% of my profit from the sale of the sale of my doghouses to animal shelters."

What was once considered an outdoor dwelling place for the family dog is now often considered a second home for pets as they are considered members of the family and spend most of their time indoors.

"People usually use the houses when they're entertaining outside and want a comfortable place for their dogs," Michelle Pollak, interior designer and owner of La Petite Maison, where she creates custom doghouses.

Options for design and furnishings are nearly limitless, says Pollak who creates bespoke doghouses that have included hand painted wallpaper and marble floors. "I've even made wrought iron chandeliers," said Pollak. "We've had doghouses that were large enough to have 12 people standing inside."

Such indulgence draws criticism, Dooley acknowledges. "I believe that there is a way to enjoy things that you love and also contribute to the greater good," she said. "I donated two homes for charity auctions."

One such charitable event was an exhibit at the Norfolk Botanical Gardens called Barkitecture, where visitors walked through a maze of dog-sized mansions. Most were designed by architects and

donated to raise money for the botanical gardens and other nonprofit organizations.

"One of the most memorable was a two story dog house with stairs," said Kelly Welsh of Norfolk Botanical Gardens. "You could tell the ones that were made by architects because they were striking and had clean lines and nice elements."

Not all high-end doghouses are built for family pets, says Pollak. Some are created and purchased out of a sense of benevolence. "We once built a house for a woman who'd rescued several dogs," she said. "The doghouse had to accommodate all of the dogs, including one that was disabled. He couldn't stand up very well so everything was built around his needs."

Pollak also recalls building a house for someone who lived in an apartment complex that didn't allow pets. "The woman had been taking care of a stray alley cat and wanted a three room cat house that she could leave outside," she said. "The cat would sleep in one room, eat in one room and use the litter box in another room."

There are even design options for non-traditional pets. "One man wanted a potbellied pig house that was a replica of his house," said Pollak. "He kept it in the grand entrance of his home so that the pig could hang out inside."

Not all luxury doghouses are limited to the affluent. "Our clients range from those who are wealthy to those who save their money because they want a really pretty doghouse," said Pollak.

While her houses generally range in price from \$9,000 to \$35,000, Pollak equates purchases of a luxury doghouse to buying designer clothes, shoes and other items with a high price tag.

"It's like buying a painting or a piece of jewelry," she said. "These doghouses are beautiful works of art and with all the stressful events going on in the world, beauty can be soothing. People underestimate the incredible power of beauty."

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Alexandria Division

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certain properties, including through condemnation, for the pur-
pose, inter alia, of ensuring maximization of interment sites at
Arlington National Cemetery; and 40 U.S.C. §§ 3113 and 3114,
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Authorization Act of 2016, Pub. L. No. 114-92, authorize the ap-
propriation of funds for such purposes; Section 132 of the Con-
solidated Appropriations Act of 2016, Pub. L. No. 114-113, and
section 130 of the Energy and Water, Legislative Branch, and
Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act of
2019, Pub. L. No. 115-244, are the Acts making funds available
for such purposes.

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The land which is the subject matter of this proceeding con-
sists of portions of Southgate Road and adjacent land, Columbia
Pike, and South Joyce Street in Arlington County, Virginia. The
subject lands have been identified as Tract 104-1, Tract 104-2,
Tract 104-3, and Tract 106, as more fully described below.

Tract 104-1

(A Portion of Southgate Road and Adjacent Land)

DESCRIPTION:

A **CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND** designated as **Tract No. 104-1**, together with any and all buildings, improvements and
appurtenances thereon, located in Arlington County, Virginia and
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Beginning at the southwest property corner of the Arling-
ton National Cemetery property and being tax map parcel #34-
004-002, said point being a property corner common to tax map
#34-004-001, also known as Henderson Hall, and common to
the right of way corner of Southgate Road and also being North
19°21'03" West a distance of 0.14 feet from ANC#35 marker
disk; thence

With said Cemetery property along its southern property line
and with Southgate Road right of way; North 72°00'43" East a
distance of 1343.71 feet and being North 09°32'23" East a dis-
tance of 0.03 feet from ANC#34 marker disk; thence

South 04°57'36" East a distance of 60.63 feet; thence

South 05°49'30" East a distance of 46.96 feet; thence

South 05°48'12" East 169.07 feet and being South 71°01'15"
West a distance of 0.01 feet from an iron rod; thence

North 80°53'12" West a distance of 4.40 feet and being
North 63°16'34" West a distance of 0.04 feet from an iron rod;
thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 1454.70 feet,
with an arc length of 687.84 feet, with a chord bearing of South
85°32'32" West, with a chord length of 681.45 feet and being
South 70°50'06" West a distance of 0.01 feet from a nail; thence

South 71°59'48" West a distance of 591.62 feet to a point on
the property line of the United States of America; thence

Running along said line of the United States of America the
following courses:

North 18°46'38" West 49.51 feet to a nail; thence

South 72°00'17" West 56.00 feet to a PK nail; thence

North 52°20'23" West 35.17 feet; thence

North 40°45'29" East 58.65 feet to the point of beginning,

Having an area of 183,833 square feet or 4.22 acres, more
or less.

The foregoing description is based on survey work per-
formed by Precision Measurement, Inc., depicted on an unre-
corded plat dated May 30, 2017, and attached at Schedule D of
the Declaration of Taking at pages D-5 and D-6 (portion of Area
1). Tract 104-1 consists of:

1. All of the land described in the deed from the United States
of America to Arlington County, Virginia, dated November 27,
1956 and recorded April 8, 1957, in the Office of the Clerk of the
Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia in deed book 1288
page 38; and

2. All of the land described in the deed from the United States
of America to the County Board of Arlington County, dated May
23, 1963, and recorded June 3, 1963, in the Office of the Clerk
of the Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia in deed book
1511 page 394.

Tract No. 104-2

**(A Portion of Columbia Pike and
the Intersection of Columbia Pike with Southgate Road/
South Joyce Street)**

DESCRIPTION:

A **CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND** designated as **Tract No. 104-2**, together with any and all buildings, improvements and
appurtenances thereon, located in Arlington County, Virginia and
described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the south property line of the Arling-
ton National Cemetery, said point being North 09°32'23" East a
distance of 0.03 feet from ANC#34 marker disk; thence

North 74°33'55" East a distance of 69.32 feet to a point be-
ing South 55°28'57" East a distance of 0.07 feet from ANC#33
marker disk; thence

North 77°14'04" East a distance of 66.59 feet and being
North 75°11'36" West a distance of 0.02 feet from ANC#32
marker disk; thence

With a curve turning to the right with a radius of 210.00 feet,
with an arc length of 53.66 feet, with a chord bearing of South
88°56'08" East, with a chord length of 53.51 feet; thence

With a reverse curve turning to the left with a radius of
340.11 feet, with an arc length of 60.74 feet, with a chord bearing
of South 86°43'55" East, with a chord length of 60.66 feet and
being South 17°30'33" East a distance of 0.11 feet from ANC#30
marker disk and at the in tersection with the Northern right of

way of Columbia Pike; thence

With said right of way with a curve turning to the left with
a radius of 190.00 feet, with an arc length of 77.05 feet, with a
chord bearing of North 69°35'47" East, with a chord length of
76.52 feet and being South 21°14'57" East a distance of 0.19 feet
from ANC#29 marker disk; thence

North 57°58'44" East a distance of 35.35 feet; thence

With a curve turning to the right with a radius of 439.72 feet,
with an arc length of 10.84 feet, with a chord bearing of North
58°41'07" East, with a chord length of 10.84 feet; thence

Leaving the property of Arlington National Cemetery and
said right of way and running through the Columbia Pike right
of way, along the line between the right of way owned by Ar-
lington County, Virginia and the Commonwealth of Virginia the
following course:

South 40°01'43" East a distance of 97.15 feet to a point on
the southern right of way of Columbia Pike and the property of
the United States of America, part of tax map parcel #34-015-
001 and being South 69°45'34" East a distance of 0.12 feet from
an iron rod; thence

Continuing with said property and right of way South
64°55'01" West a distance of 24.19 feet to the intersection with
S. Joyce street and being South 49°51'52" East a distance of 0.12
feet from a nail; thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 35.60 feet,
with an arc length of 67.92 feet, with a chord bearing of South
08°54'19" West, with a chord length of 58.08 feet and being
North 75°49'29" East a distance of 0.19 feet from a right of way
monument; thence

South 48°46'36" East a distance of 47.54 feet to a property
corner of the United States of America, part of tax map parcel
#34-015-011 and common with the eastern right of way of S.
Joyce street and being South 47°10'34" East a distance of 0.11
feet from an iron rod; thence

Crossing South Joyce street and running along the line com-
mon with said right of way and a security and access easement
over S. Joyce street South 48°09'43" West a distance of 72.19
feet and being South 76°28'58" West a distance of 0.09 feet from
an iron rod in the right of way of Columbia Pike; thence

With southern right of way of Columbia Pike and property of
the United States of America with a curve turning to the left with
a radius of 76.34 feet, with an arc length of 131.25 feet, with a
chord bearing of South 68°21'22" West, with a chord length of
115.67 feet and being South 68°11'08" East a distance of 0.27
feet from a nail; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
280.56 feet, with an arc length of 37.54 feet, with a chord bearing
of South 09°48'34" West, with a chord length of 37.51 feet and
being South 78°17'02" East a distance of 0.24 feet from a nail;
thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
430.48 feet, with an arc length of 93.90 feet, with a chord bearing
of South 02°12'02" East, with a chord length of 93.71 feet and
being South 48°33'02" East a distance of 0.13 feet from an iron
rod; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
866.44 feet, with an arc length of 100.70 feet, with a chord bear-
ing of South 12°27'36" East, with a chord length of 100.64 feet
and being South 56°05'02" East a distance of 0.08 feet from an
iron rod; thence

South 15°47'23" East a distance of 120.04 feet and being
South 32°53'41" East a distance of 0.15 feet from a bent iron
rod; thence

With a curve turning to the right with a radius of 790.00 feet,
with an arc length of 101.96 feet, with a chord bearing of South
12°05'32" East, with a chord length of 101.89 feet and being
South 65°10'26" East a distance of 0.14 feet from an iron rod in
the right of way of route 244 Columbia Pike; thence

With said right of way and property by a compound curve
turning to the right with a radius of 286.26 feet, with an arc
length of 248.01 feet, with a chord bearing of South 15°22'33"
West, with a chord length of 240.33 feet; thence

Crossing said right of way by a curve to the right with a ra-
dius of 764.00 feet, an arc length of 102.35 feet, a chord bearing
of South 71°29'15" West, and a chord length of 102.28 feet to a
point in the said right of way; thence,

South 85°24'15" West a distance of 51.91 feet to a point in
the westerly right of way of said Columbia Pike; thence, along
said westerly right of way,

Along said northerly right-of-way by a curve turning to the
left with a radius of 236.72 feet, with an arc length of 180.54
feet, with a chord bearing of North 46°19'13" East, with a chord
length of 176.20 feet and being North 83°34'00" East a distance
of 0.18 feet from an iron rod; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
237.39 feet, with an arc length of 122.79 feet, with a chord bear-
ing of North 08°50'01" East, with a chord length of 121.43 feet

and being North 69°36'17" East a distance of 0.26 feet from a
bent iron rod; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
533.61 feet, with an arc length of 90.21 feet, with a chord bearing
of North 10°33'02" West, with a chord length of 90.10 feet and
being North 78°52'19" East a distance of 0.18 feet from an iron
rod; thence

North 15°26'55" West a distance of 39.03 feet and being
North 59°50'34" East a distance of 0.22 feet from an iron rod;
thence

North 15°45'10" West a distance of 128.12 feet and being
North 75°44'43" East a distance of 0.20 feet from a drill hole;
thence

With a curve turning to the right with a radius of 827.70 feet,
with an arc length of 104.48 feet, with a chord bearing of North
12°22'58" West, with a chord length of 104.41 feet and being
South 82°19'14" East a distance of 0.18 feet from a drill hole;
thence

With a compound curve turning to the right with a radius
of 384.86 feet, with an arc length of 120.28 feet, with a chord
bearing of North 00°03'31" East, with a chord length of 119.79
feet and being South 82°55'49" East a distance of 0.28 feet from
an iron rod; thence

With a compound curve turning to the right with a radius
of 488.69 feet, with an arc length of 60.50 feet, with a chord
bearing of North 14°07'03" East, with a chord length of 60.46
feet and being North 60°21'36" East a distance of 0.72 feet from
a nail; thence

North 09°40'35" East a distance of 30.00 feet and being
South 78°54'10" East a distance of 0.05 feet from a nail; thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 53.80 feet,
with an arc length of 31.09 feet, with a chord bearing of North
05°27'29" West, with a chord length of 30.66 feet and being
North 82°19'51" East a distance of 0.25 feet from a nail; thence

Leaving Columbia Pike right of way and continuing with
the Southgate Road right of way and the property of the United
States of America with a compound curve turning to the left with
a radius of 32.46 feet, with an arc length of 30.29 feet, with a
chord bearing of North 42°34'36" West, with a chord length of
29.20 feet and being North 76°23'12" East a distance of 0.24 feet
from a nail; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
70.07 feet, with an arc length of 31.68 feet, with a chord bearing
of North 81°09'24" West, with a chord length of 31.41 feet and
being South 63°35'39" East a distance of 0.21 feet from a right
of way monument; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of
294.53 feet, with an arc length of 80.20 feet, with a chord bearing
of South 76°22'38" West, with a chord length of 79.95 feet and
being South 14°25'18" East a distance of 0.14 feet from a drill
hole; thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 441.80 feet,
with an arc length of 66.16 feet, with a chord bearing of South
54°36'36" West, with a chord length of 66.10 feet and being
North 69°58'11" West a distance of 0.09 feet from a PK nail;
thence

South 14°23'30" East a distance of 4.57 feet and being North
06°49'18" East a distance of 0.01 feet from a PK nail; thence

South 64°46'41" West a distance of 13.38 feet and being
South 88°58'14" West a distance of 0.03 feet from an iron rod;
thence

North 05°49'30 West a distance of 46.96 feet; thence

North 04°57'36" West a distance of 60.63 feet to the point
of beginning,

Having an area of 106,856 square feet or 2.45 acres, more
or less.

The foregoing is based on survey work performed by Pre-
cision Measurement, Inc., depicted on an unrecorded plat dated
May 30, 2017, and attached at Schedule D of the Declaration of
Taking at pages D-6 and D-7 (portion of Area 1). Tract 104-2
consists of a portion of the land described in a quitclaim deed
dated September 28, 2010 from the Commonwealth of Virginia
to the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia, recorded Oc-
tober 5, 2010, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Arlington County, Virginia in deed book 4399 page 2015.

Tract No. 104-3

(A Portion of Columbia Pike)

DESCRIPTION:

A **CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND** designated as **Tract No. 104-3**, together with any and all buildings, improvements and
appurtenances thereon, located in Arlington County, Virginia and
described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly right-of-way line of
Columbia Pike, said point being located South 18°48'45" East a

distance of 6.66 feet from a 1-inch iron rod; thence

Running and binding to said northerly right-of-way line of Columbia Pike, North 70°37'52" East a distance of 514.34 feet; thence

With a compound curve turning to the right with a radius of 1784.91 feet, with an arc length of 192.27 feet, with a chord bearing of North 73°15'45" East, with a chord length of 192.18 feet and passing nearly over a brass plug at an arc distance of 106.20 feet; thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 1474.11 feet, with an arc length of 161.52 feet, with a chord bearing of North 79°21'00" East, with a chord length of 164.12 feet and being North 23°42'47" East a distance of 0.04 feet from a drill hole; thence

With a curve to the left with a radius of 1474.11 feet, with an arc length of 53.97 feet, with a chord bearing of North 84°08'12" East, with a chord length of 53.97; thence

North 84°57'39" West a distance of 103.07 feet, a point being North 53°35'10" West a distance of 0.05 feet from a PK nail; thence

With a compound curve turning to the left with a radius of 554.52 feet, with an arc length of 110.47 feet, with a chord bearing of North 79°24'06" East, with a chord length of 110.29 feet and being North 83°41'50" East a distance of 0.06 feet from a PK nail; thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 236.72 feet, with an arc length of 18.49 feet, with a chord bearing of North 70°54'25" East, with a chord length of 18.49 feet and being North 83°34'00" East a distance of 0.18 feet from an iron rod; to a point common to the Northern right of way line of Columbia Pike and the property of the United States of America; thence

Crossing said Columbia Pike the following two courses:

(1) North 85°24'15" East a distance of 51.91 feet; thence

(2) By a curve to the left with a radius of 764.0 feet, an arc length of 102.35, a chord bearing of North 71°29'15" East, and chord distance of 102.28 feet, to a point in the southerly right of way of said Columbia Pike; thence along the said southerly right of way,

With a curve turning to the right with a radius of 428.10 feet, with an arc length of 52.77 feet, with a chord bearing of South 77°17'30" West, with a chord length of 52.74 feet and being North 78°16'00" East a distance of 0.06 feet from an iron pipe; thence

South 84°34'26" West a distance of 65.47 feet; thence

South 88°34'45" West a distance of 90.33 feet; thence

South 84°59'00" West a distance of 24.88 feet; thence

With a curve turning to the left with a radius of 1458.12 feet, with an arc length of 361.71 feet, with a chord bearing of South 77°52'36" West, with a chord length of 360.78 feet and being North 78°45'07" East a distance of 0.07 feet from a drill hole; thence

South 70°46'13" West a distance of 129.48 feet and being South 75°20'14" West a distance of 0.05 feet from a drill hole; thence

South 19°29'55" East a distance of 9.30 feet; thence

South 70°37'52" West a distance of 417.72 feet; thence

North 18°48'44" West a distance of 47.2 feet to the point of beginning,

Having an area of 55,447 square feet or 1.27 acres, more or less.

The foregoing description is based on survey work performed by Precision Measurement, Inc., depicted on an unrecorded plat dated May 30, 2017, and attached at Schedule D of the Declaration of Taking at pages D-7 and D-9. Tract 104-3 consists of a portion of the land described in a quitclaim deed dated September 28, 2010 from the Commonwealth of Virginia to the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia, recorded October 5, 2010, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia in deed book 4399 page 2015.

Tract 106

(Portion of South Joyce Street)

DESCRIPTION:

A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND designated as **Tract No. 106**, together with any and all buildings, improvements and appurtenances thereon, located in Arlington County, Virginia and described as follows:

Beginning at a point within the property of the United States of America, tax map parcel #34-015-001 and common with the northern corner of a perpetual easement of South

Joyce Street and being South 64°43'46" East a distance of 0.06 feet from an iron rod found, said point is approximately 50 feet south of the intersection with Route 244, Columbia Pike;

Thence with said easement along the eastern line the following courses;
South 48°48'50" East a distance of 319.06 feet;

Thence with a curve turning to the right with a radius of 893.00 feet, with an arc length of 179.66 feet, with a chord bearing of South 43°03'00" East, with a chord length of 179.36 feet to a point on the said easement line;

Thence running through the South Joyce Street easements with a compound curve turning to the right with a radius of 314.00 feet, with an arc length of 12.73 feet, with a chord bearing of South 44°34'09" West, with a chord length of 12.73 feet;

Thence South 45°43'51" West a distance of 73.89 feet to a point on the western perpetual easement line of South Joyce Street;

Thence running with said easement with a curve turning to the left with a radius of 807.00 feet, with an arc length of 173.03 feet, with a chord bearing of North 42°41'09" West, with a chord length of 172.70 feet;

Thence North 48°49'42" West a distance of 313.39 feet;

Thence with a curve turning to the left with a radius of 67.00 feet, with an arc length of 16.78 feet, with a chord bearing of North 56°00'26" West, with a chord length of 16.74 feet and being South 79°24'37" East a distance of 0.28 feet from an ANC disk #276 found;

Thence North 48°14'38" East a distance of 8.95 feet to a point on the South Joyce Street right of way and being South 76°28'58" West a distance of 0.09 feet from an iron rod found;

Thence running with the common line between said right of way and security and access easement and crossing South Joyce Street North 48°09'43" East a distance of 72.19 feet and being South 47°10'34" East a distance of 0.11 feet from an iron rod found;

Thence leaving said security and access easement and running with said perpetual easement North 48°14'08" East a distance of 7.64 feet;

Which is the point of beginning, having an area of 43,066 square feet or 0.989 acres.

The foregoing description is based on survey work performed by Precision Measurement, Inc., depicted on an unrecorded plat dated May 30, 2017, and attached at Schedule D of the Declaration of Taking at page D-8 (Area 2). Tract 106 consists of a portion of the land described as Parcel 175 in a deed dated November 1, 1979 from the United States of America to the Commonwealth of Virginia, recorded December 27, 1979 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia in deed book 2004 page 607. This portion of S. Joyce Street was among parcels quitclaimed by the Commonwealth of Virginia to the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia by Agreement dated September 28, 2010 and recorded October 5, 2010 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia in deed book 4399 page 2067. This description also references two easements, a perpetual easement recorded December 27, 1979 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia, in deed book 2004 page 607 (referencing Parcel 175), and a security and access easement recorded June 2, 1995, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Arlington County, Virginia, in deed book page 2726 page 1205 (referencing Parcel 4-2)

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News

Police Chief Jay Farr to Retire

Police Chief Murray “Jay” Farr announced that he would retire on Sept. 4, after serving in the Arlington County Police Department for 30 years. Chief Farr has provided leadership as Arlington’s Chief of Police since May of 2015. During his time as Chief, he has focused on community engagement, transportation safety, and crime prevention & control. Chief Farr also launched the Arlington Restaurant Initiative, a partnership between the County, businesses and the community to offer a safe destination for nightlife and entertainment. “It has been an honor and privilege to serve the residents, businesses, and visitors of Arlington County”, stated Chief Farr. “I am incredibly proud of our officers and their efforts to maintain a high level of public safety across our community.”

County Manager Mark Schwartz noted that “Chief Farr has provided outstanding leadership and has been instrumental in advancing community policing across Arlington County.”

In addition to his role as Chief of Police, he served in a variety of positions in the Arlington Police Department, including assignments as Deputy Chief of Police for Systems Management, Operations, and Criminal Investigations. He also served as Arlington County Acting Deputy County Manager. He has also been an active member of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, serving as the Chair of the Police Chief Committee.

“On behalf of all County Board members, I want to thank Chief Farr for his years of exemplary service in one of the toughest jobs, Chief of Police. Jay has guided our police force into 21st Century community policing”, noted County Board Chair Libby Garvey. “He has made ACPD one of the most respected police departments in the region and positioned us well to work with our community as we transition into the next era of policing and public safety that makes everyone feel safe.”

Prior to joining the ACPD in 1990, Chief Farr worked with the Naval Criminal Investigative Service where he conducted complex



Police Chief Murray “Jay” Farr

criminal investigations concerning fraud against the United States government. He is also a U.S. Marine veteran, where he served with the Presidential helicopter unit.

Chief Farr earned both Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees from George Mason University. He has participated in advanced educational programs at the Naval Post Graduate School Center for Defense and Homeland Security, the FBI National Academy, and the Senior Institute for Police Management, a collaborative program with Boston University and the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. Chief Farr serves as an Adjunct Professor at George Mason University, where he teaches a curriculum of criminal justice and emergency management for law enforcement. He is also a graduate of Leadership Arlington

National Recruitment for New Police Chief

The Arlington County Manager will be launching a national recruitment effort for a new Chief of Police this fall. Initial steps will seek input from the community and there will be no final decision until sometime after the work of the newly formed Police Practices Workgroup is completed in December.

BULLETIN BOARD

Submit civic/community announcements at ConnectionNewspapers.com/Calendar. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before the event.

ARLINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY ELIMINATES OVERDUE FINES

On July 1, Arlington Public Library eliminated overdue library fines to make the library’s collections more accessible to all Arlingtonians. The goal is to increase access and minimize barriers for marginalized populations to use the library, particularly for youth and low-income patrons, which data shows are disproportionately impacted by overdue fines and stop using the library as a result. Patrons still need to pay their existing fines accrued prior to July 1, 2020.

FREE PUBLIC WI-FI AVAILABLE

Arlington residents can now access free Wi-Fi in the parking lots of the Charles Drew Community Center and Barcroft Sports & Fitness Center as part of the County’s ongoing effort to help residents without reliable internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. Along with these two new locations, public Wi-Fi is available in the parking lots at Aurora Hills, Central and Columbia Pike libraries. No ID or password is required. Simply access the network and accept the terms of agreement. At all locations, residents are asked to remain in their vehicles while on site and to maintain a physical distance of 6 feet apart when outside.

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www.awla.org/.

The League adopts animals to residents of Virginia, Washington D.C. and Maryland.

The Animal Adoption Process

Temporary COVID-19 Virtual Adoption Program: Although we are closed to the public, we still want to give the animals in our care the opportunity to find their new families while still adhering to social distancing. To do that, we'll be setting our shelter pets up on virtual 'dates' with potential adopters.

Here's how our temporary virtual adoption process will work:

1. Virtual Meet & Greet: once you have found a pet you are interested in adopting, please send an email to the email address listed in their profile to arrange an initial virtual meet & greet with the pet's foster parent or a staff member. The meet & greet does not guarantee adoption.

2. Fill Out the Online Application: If, after your meet & greet, you want to apply to adopt the pet, you will be given a link to the pet's online application. Applications are processed on a first-come, first-match basis, so we recommend filling out the application as soon as possible if you are interested in adopting.

3. Sign Contracts & Pay Adoption Fee: once your application has been approved, you will be able to sign the adoption contract and pay the adoption fee online.

4. Take Home Your New Pet! Once you have signed the adoption contract and paid the adoption fee, you will be able to set up a time to pick up your new pet and take them home. We have a contact-free pick-up process for your safety. Please wear a mask when you arrive to take home your new pet.

Adoptions will still take place on a first-come, first-match basis and standard adoption policies apply. If you have questions, feel free to email adoptions@awla.org.

Arlington County Dog License

If you are a resident of Arlington County and you adopt a dog that is at least four months old and vaccinated against rabies, you will be required to purchase a dog license at the time of adoption. A lifetime license is \$30 and must be paid by cash or check made payable to the Treasurer of Arlington County.

Dog Adoption Fees

Puppies six months and younger and dogs under 25lbs, \$275
Adult dogs, \$200

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Announcements



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Candidates must apply at www.ocss-va.org

Announcements

Legals

ABC LICENSE

Mint Nail Lounge Arlington, LLC trading as Mint Nail Lounge Arlington, 712 N Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA 22203-2119. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Day Spa license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Ve-Nu Nguyen, Managing Member. NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

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Wait. What?



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

"Thyroid cancer." Again? I thought the point of last week's surgical biopsy was to genetically-sequence a lung cancer tumor. Now you tell me the radiologist/pathologist found more thyroid cancer. As it already has happened, my oncologist - in coordination with my endocrinologist, said that my most recent CT scan showed "excellent results" (from my previous thyroid cancer treatment - which ended with radioiodine therapy), and furthermore noted that the thyroid cancer was confined to my neck. Yet a few weeks later, the thyroid cancer is back in my lungs. What happened? Or more importantly perhaps, what didn't happen?

Well, if I understand what my oncologist said to us over the phone on Wednesday, disappointing as it initially sounded, it might not be at all bad. Apparently, the dose of radioiodine (nuclear medicine) I received had been modified (reduced) due to my pre-existing kidney function issue. Since this modification was not a "normal" dose, it didn't locate all the thyroid cancer tumors; the smaller ones, that is, so the presumption was that all the thyroid cancer had been found, identified and eliminated. Until last week's biopsy found otherwise. What does it all mean? I'll try to explain, although I'm sure I'll get lost in the science somewhere.

I still have two types of cancer: non small cell lung cancer and papillary thyroid cancer. However, I may have thyroid cancer in the lungs which actually may be better than having lung cancer in the lungs. The reason being: papillary thyroid cancer is curable whereas non small cell lung cancer is not (it is treatable though). Moreover, thyroid cancer is slow-growing and at present, so small that there may not be any treatment to follow. To learn more definitively what is happening in my body, I'm scheduled for a PET scan this week and then another surgical biopsy the following week. This time the biopsy will be a lung biopsy. This will get tissue from within the lung (a bit of a lung-collapsing risk), not from the periphery (the lymph nodes). Presumably, this biopsy will provide some clarity.

According to my oncologist, I have a dozen or so tumors in my lungs, some of which may be thyroid cancer. Unfortunately, it's not practical or prudent to biopsy all of them so a complete assessment will not be possible. Therefore, an educated guess will have to be made: continue to treat the lung cancer with immunotherapy or not, and/or only treat the thyroid cancer which given its small size and slow-growing nature wouldn't require any treatment - for now. And might not for years.

But if there are more tumors that are lung cancer - which the doctors can't confirm, and I'm not receiving any treatment for them (because of the thyroid cancer diagnosis), won't my lung cancer tumors grow? And since one medicine doesn't work against two types of cancer, I may not be receiving treatment for the cancer that's really active and receiving treatment for the cancer that is not active. And the only way to find out what types of cancer exist is to biopsy each and every tumor - which is not going to happen. As my oncologist said in response to our characterization of this damned if I don't and damned if I do scenario as being very complicated: "Mr. Lourie has always been a complicated patient."

As I review this column and reconsider what my oncologist has advised going forward, it's not only complicated, it's confusing and a bit disorienting. What exactly do I have and what are the risks, and more importantly: what is my life expectancy? Nevertheless, as my oncologist said: "I'm glad we did this biopsy." Me, too.

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