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Fire trucks on display, old and new. Cabin John Park Volunteer Fire Department is a big part of the day.

Potomac Day Is Coming!

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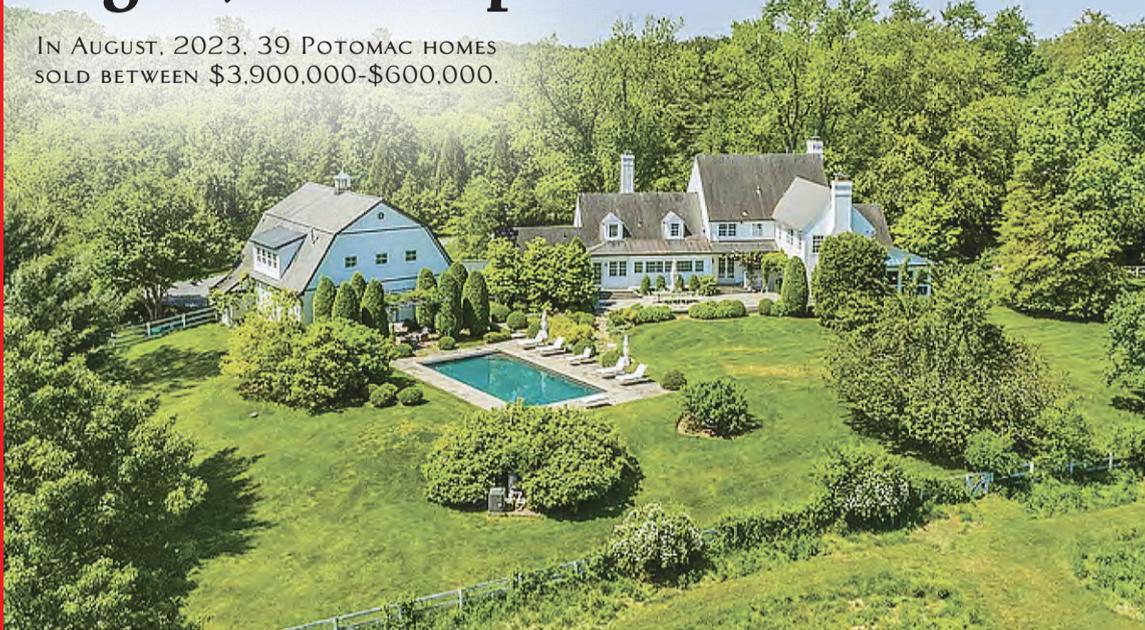
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3 10622
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— \$3,700,000



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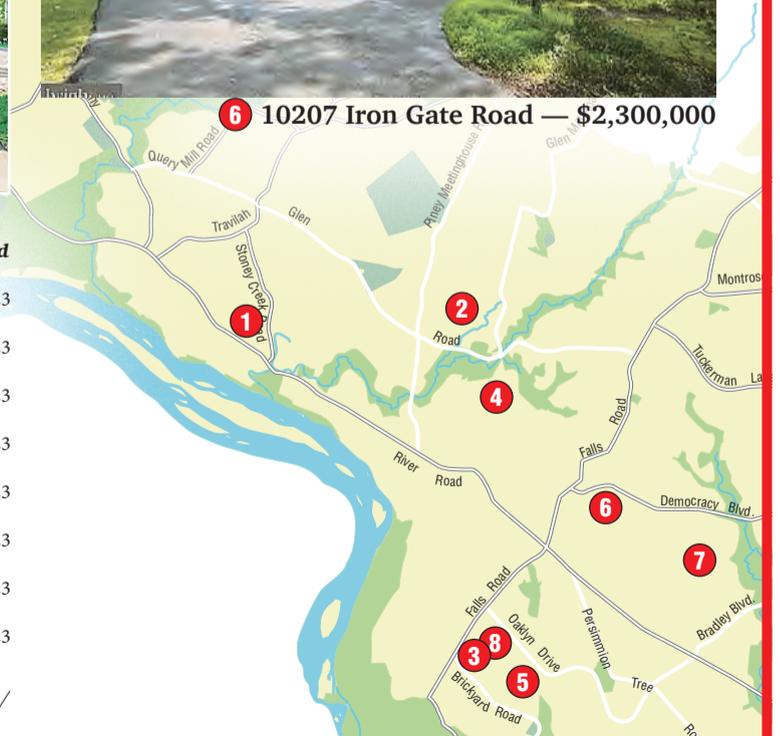
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7	8617 WHITE POST CT	5	3	2	POTOMAC	\$2,200,000	Detached	0.62	20854	MCAULEY PARK	08/22/23
8	9205 PEGASUS CT	5	5	2	POTOMAC	\$1,950,000	Detached	2.98	20854	POTOMAC FALLS	08/18/23

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FESTIVAL

PHOTOS BY MARILYN CAMPBELL



Three-year old Mia and five-year old Ava have fun with an old-fashioned truck



Collin Clifford of Clifford Creations displayed handcrafted woodwork offerings including seasonal pumpkins as well as bowls and cutting boards.



Vibrant fall produce abounds at a farm stand at the Harvest Festival at Cabin John Village.

Welcoming Fall

Harvest Festival at Cabin John Village brings together families, farmers, artisans and a taste of autumn.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE ALMANAC

Chilly temperatures and sunshine beaming from a cloudless blue sky made the backdrop for the Harvest Festival at Cabin John Village. From flowers and produce in shades of vivid orange and deep red to live music and twisted balloon art for children, event goers soaked up the beauty of the changing seasons.

There were pumpkins aplenty including the wooden, decorative variety that were carved by hand and painted orange by Collin Clifford of Clifford Creations. His woodwork offerings included bowls and cutting boards.

“There’s been a large crowd all day,” he said “Perfect weather for it.” Clifford also works as a physical education teacher at



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

Instead of decorating his truck, Steven Ornstein of Edge Floral Event Designers allowed young children to enjoy it.



Amelia Meyers Rosenwach and her two children, five year-old Lila and two year old Helena enjoyed music at the Harvest Festival at Cabin John Village

POTOMAC DAY

Potomac Day Is Saturday, Oct. 21

Potomac Day is a gift from the Potomac Chamber of Commerce to the community.

Potomac Day is Saturday, Oct. 21, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. It's a delightful, fun day for all.

All events are rain or shine. The Parade is a rain or shine event. Line-up for the parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Chapel Road. You must register and will receive a call the week of the event with your section placement and/or monitors will be on hand the day of to help you find your spot.

Falls and River Roads will close promptly at 10 a.m., so be sure to find your parking spot and walk to

the Chapel Road start before then. The only vehicles allowed on Chapel Road are the vehicles that will be in the parade.

This year, the Potomac Chamber of Commerce is holding a parade float contest with the theme horsing around. We hear that Scotland AME Church will have a remarkable float, and we can't wait to see the others.

The parade will kick off at 10:30 a.m., ending around 11:45 a.m. behind the shopping centers. Then the Children's Festival and Business Fair will be in full swing.



These guys are everywhere. Sen. Brian Feldman and Councilmember Andrew Friedson.



In 2022, many candidates were part of the Potomac Day Parade.



More from the car show.



Bagels and Grinds, part of Adam Greenburg's restaurant empire that includes Potomac Pizza and now, Hunters Inn, as well as Potomac Pizza of course.



Children's festival rides are free.



It's the spooky season.



Fire trucks on display, old and new. Cabin John Park Volunteer Fire Department is a big part of the day.



Colorful floats are part of the fun, and this year there will be a float contest.



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Sunshine and cool temperatures created an idea backdrop for the Harvest Festival at Cabin John Village.

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Welcoming Fall

FROM PAGE 3

White Oak Middle School in Silver Spring. In the midst of the seasonal celebration, Amelia Meyers Rosenwach and her two children, five year-old Lila and two year old Helena, danced to the beat of music from a live DJ. Lila, dressed like a Disney Princess, pranced and bowed as though she were in front of a live audience.

“She loves to dance,” said Meyers, who is an actress and the reign-

ing Mrs. Maryland Petite USA.

A booth teeming with green plants like cacti and flowers in vibrant oranges and deep-reds was the offering from Steven Ornstein of Edge Floral Event Designers.

Part of his display was an antique truck that he'd planned to decorate with flowers. However Ornstein's plan was thwarted by eager children who were mesmerized by the vehicle.

“My plan was to put flowers

on the top,” he said. “We usually do that, but today the kids were climbing in it, so I decided to let the children have fun with it.”

Among those enjoying the truck were Marlee Shadman and her children five-year old Ava and three-year old Mia.

“The line for balloons was long so we decided to check it out while we were waiting for it to get a little shorter,” she said. “The festival has been great. The kids are loving it.”

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

FRIDAY/OCT. 13

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer with Chao Tian. 7:30 p.m. At St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville. Tickets : \$20 advance (+\$2 box office fee) / \$25 door. Grammy Award winning American Roots artists Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer join with Chinese classical hammered dulcimer player Chao Tian in a show that combines music from China to Appalachia and beyond. Instrumentation includes yangqin (Chinese hammered dulcimer), gourd banjo, five-string banjo, ukelele, guitars, dumbek, cello-banjo and mandolin. Tickets at imtfolk.org | Info: rob Hinkal at publicity@imtfolk.org or www.imtfolk.org.

SATURDAY/OCT. 14

Cuentos Del Arbol. 11 a.m. At the Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center, 51 Mannakee St., Rockville. “Cuentos del Arbol” is designed to bring Spanish to life and make theatre accessible to students, parents and grandparents for whom English is a second language. The centerpiece of all the “tales” is a tree (Un Arbol) that has sheltered, shielded and nurtured countless characters who have passed her way over the years. The tree's caretaker, Arbolita, shares four of these stories with Tomas, a storyteller, who is looking for tales for his collection. For tickets and information, call the Box Office at 240-567-5301, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 3-6 p.m. To order tickets online, visit www.montgomerycollege.edu/PAC.

SUNDAY/OCT. 15

Waltz Dance. 3:30-6 p.m. At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Featuring the ensemble Valse Chorinho playing a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couple dances, including Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. The 45-minute dance lesson begins at 2:45 p.m. with a half-hour introductory Waltz workshop and a more advanced move presented the last 15 minutes. Social dancing follows until 6 pm. Admission is \$15, \$5 for full-time students with student ID. No partner required. Visit www.WaltzTimeDances.org.

FRIDAY/OCT. 20

Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Haas. 7:30 p.m. At Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville. Tickets are \$29 adv (+\$2 box office fee) / \$34 door; \$5 discount on both for students/children. Tickets at imtfolk.org | Info: rob Hinkal at publicity@imtfolk.org or www.imtfolk.org.

ADAM AND COURTNEY GREENBERG BRING NEW YORK BAGELS AND A POTOMAC PIZZA RENOVATION TO POTOMAC

Adam and Courtney Greenberg, owners of Potomac Pizza, Bagels 'n Grinds, and the recently acquired Hunter's Bar and Grill, announced

plans to further transform the Potomac culinary scene by bringing Bagels 'n Grinds to the Potomac Village. The Greenbergs, who took over full operations of Hunter's Bar and Grill on Wednesday, September 27th with longtime manager and partner Daniel Seaman and Corporate Chef Tennille Middleton (Chef Tee), additionally announced the renovation of the original Potomac Pizza.

Located at 9812 Falls Road, the renovation of Potomac Pizza and the opening of Bagels 'n Grinds are expected to be completed in mid-2024. Bagels 'n Grinds is set to take over the vacant retail space adjacent to Potomac Pizza once occupied by The Potomac Village Deli, a previous Greenberg-owned business.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ANNOUNCES 'WALKTOBER' EVENTS TO PROMOTE WALKING

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is partnering with the State to celebrate “Walktober,” a month-long series of activities in October promoting Maryland's official exercise: walking. Maryland named walking as the official State exercise in 2008. MCDOT will be hosting a series of outreach events throughout the County designed to highlight the importance of walking. Walktober events will include:

Monday, Oct. 16-Nov. 3, Walk & Ride – Group Walking Challenges. Employees who work for businesses located within the County's six Transportation Management Districts can register for team walks and compete for prizes based on their step counts. Employees do not need to be physically present at the worksite to be on a Walk & Ride team – and they do not need to be County residents. More information, including on how to register, is available at MCDOT's Commuter Services Walk & Ride website.

Thursday, Oct. 26, Equity Walkinar. MCDOT's Bikeways Coordinator, Matt Johnson, will be featured on a State panel for a free webinar to discuss tools and techniques for addressing transportation equity. He will give an overview of Montgomery County's efforts to develop a toolkit to improve the designs of roads, sidewalks, and transit stops for people with vision disabilities and the planning and design processes to improve their ability to provide feedback. He will be joined by Michael Rodriguez, director of Research for Smart Growth America, and Charles L. Marohn, Jr., founder and president of Strong Towns. Register for the free Equity webinar. For a full list of free walkinars, visit the MDOT website.

Pedestrian Safety Outreach. The SRTS team will be at various locations throughout the month to promote pedestrian and bicycle safety and talk with residents about recent safety improvements, including infrastructure projects and pedestrian hybrid beacons.

NOW THRU OCT. 31 Elevation Exhibition Featuring Artist Vian Borchert. Reception: Saturday, October 14, 3-5 SEE BULLETIN, PAGE 7

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p.m. At The Framer's Choice Gallery, 402 Main Street, Gaithersburg. Gallery Hours: Monday - Saturday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. In the solo exhibition titled "Elevation", artist Vian Borchert presents new paintings that embody a sense of elevated elements through color and theme. Skyscapes within landscape and seascapes aim to elevate the viewer into a higher realm of consciousness along with attaining a sense of meditative enlightenment that transforms one towards a Zen state of peace and harmony.

ARTISTS & MAKERS STUDIOS HOSTS NEW IMAGE ARTISTS FOR THE EXHIBIT "LONG VIEW 2"

Artists & Makers Studios on Parklawn Drive in Rockville is delighted to host New Image Artists for the month of October. The exhibit, "Long View 2" runs from Oct. 4th through Oct. 25th at Artists & Makers Studios, with an opening reception on Friday, Oct. 6, from 5 - 8 p.m. "Long View 2" is an exhibition by members of the New Image Artists. New Image celebrates the diversity of expression of its members' individual styles. The members are professional studio artists who work primarily with fabric, paper and alternative materials. This exhibition features a collection of work showcasing the uniqueness of each artists' vision and media while being challenged to create in a vertical format. Exhibiting artists - B.J. Adams, Mary Beth Bellah, Linda Colsh, Joan Dreyer, Candace Edgerley, Lesly-Claire Greenberg, Catherine Kleeman, Verena Levine, Dominic Nash, Ginny Smith, Andrea Uravitch, and Saaraliisa Ylitalo.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY RECREATION CELEBRATES FALL

Montgomery County Recreation is hosting family-friendly events across the County for everyone to enjoy this fall. From swimming with pumpkins to haunted houses to fall festivals, events will be hosted at community recreation centers, senior centers and aquatic facilities across the County throughout October.

Upcoming fall special events hosted by Montgomery County Recreation include:

Friday, Oct. 13. 6 - 9 p.m. Family Skate Night at Plum Gar Community Recreation Center, 19561 Scenery Drive, Germantown. Enjoy a night of roller skating with family and friends. Skates will be provided. Registration required. Children under 8 must have supervision.

Saturday, Oct. 14.

11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Fall Harvest Festival at Ross Body Neighborhood Recreation Center, 18529 Brooke Road, Sandy Spring. Bring your family and friends together for this annual harvest festival, which will feature pumpkin carving, music, games, arts and crafts, refreshments and more.

5 - 6 p.m. Bloom at Good Hope: Jess Eliot Myhre at Good Hope Neighborhood Recreation Center, 14715 Good Hope Road, Silver Spring. Join us for an evening of American Roots music with virtuosic flare featuring multi-instrumentalist Jess Eliot Myhre. From the streets of New Orleans to Appalachian hollers, join Jess as she takes listeners on a soul-stirring tour of American music.

Sunday, Oct. 15. Noon - 3 p.m. Chevy Chase Fall Festival at Jane E. Lawton Community Recreation Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase. Join us at our annual fall festival for family fun and games, which will include music, a pumpkin patch, face painting, a moon bounce and more.

Friday, Oct. 20.

6 - 9 p.m. Family Fun Night at Plum Gar Community Recreation Center, 19561 Scenery Drive, Germantown. Bring your family together for a night of fun activities including karaoke, a fast-paced game of Z-Tag and more!

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Spooktacular Family Movie Night at Long Branch Community Recreation Center, 8700 Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring. Get into the Halloween spirit with a screening of "Coco." This is a FREE event and popcorn and light refreshments will be provided.

Saturday, Oct. 21.

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Fall Festival at Nancy H. Dacek North Potomac Community Recreation Center, 13850 Travilah Road, Rockville. Join us at our fall festival for family fun and games including music, fall crafts, inflatables and more.

2 - 6 p.m. Fall Festival at Good Hope Neighborhood Recreation Center, 14715 Good Hope Road, Silver

Spring. Join us at our fall festival for family fun and games including a moon bounce, pumpkin patch, music, face painting and more.

4 - 6 p.m. Fall Festival at Gwendolyn Coffield Community Recreation Center, 2450 Lyttonsville Road, Silver Spring. Join us at our fall festival for family fun and games including trunk or treat, arts and crafts, music and more.

Thursday, Oct. 26. 4 - 6:30 p.m. Candy and Costumes Community Skate Night at White Oak Community Recreation Center, 1700 April Lane, Silver Spring. Join us for candy, costumes and skateboarding. All ages and skate levels are welcome. Be sure to wear your Halloween costume!

Friday, Oct. 27.

1 - 3 p.m. Halloween Dance Club Friday at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. Enjoy this holiday celebration with swing and jazz music from The Night & Day Band.

7 - 9:30 p.m. Costume Family Movie Night at Upper County Community Recreation Center, 8201 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg. Join us for a night of fun and remember to wear your favorite, family friendly, costume! Make sure to bring your own blanket or chair.

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Haunted House at Long Branch Community Recreation Center, 8700 Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring. Wear your costume and bring your Halloween spirit to walk the spooky haunted house! Free for all ages. Light refreshments will be provided.

Saturday, Oct. 28.

1 - 3 p.m. Therapeutic Recreation Family Spooktacular Saturday at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. This event is for individuals with disabilities and their families. Dress up in your favorite costume and come trick-or-treat in our not-so-spooky haunted house. Family-friendly games and fun.

5 - 8 p.m. Fall Festival at Potomac Community Recreation Center, 11315 Falls Road, Potomac. Join us for our fall festival for family fun and games including, costume contests, trunk or treat, fall crafts and more.

6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Therapeutic Recreation Enchanted Evening Dance at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. For individuals ages 15 and up with disabilities. Enjoy a DJ, dancing, games, pizza and other refreshments. Registration is encouraged. Come dressed as your favorite enchanted character!

Sunday, Oct. 29. 4 - 6 p.m. Haunted House at Clara Barton Neighborhood Recreation Center, 7425 MacArthur Blvd., Cabin John. Wear your costume and bring your Halloween spirit to walk the spooky haunted house! Free for all ages. Light refreshments will be provided.

Sunday, Oct. 29. 3 - 8:30 p.m. and Monday, Oct. 30 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Glow in the Dark Pickleball at Bauer Drive Community Recreation Center, 14625 Bauer Drive, Rockville. Join us for a Halloween pickleball monster smash! "Halloweenies" and "Toxic Sludge" tickets will be served. There will also be boo-tacular prizes and giveaways.

Monday, Oct. 30. 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wheaton Skele-bration at Wheaton Community Recreation Center, 11701 Georgia Ave., Wheaton. Come dressed in your favorite costume and join us for spooky treats and Halloween themed crafts. Registration required.

Tuesday, Oct. 31. 5 - 8 p.m. Fall Harvest Festival at Bette Carol Thompson Scotland Neighborhood Recreation Center, 7700 Scotland Drive, Potomac. Join us for our fall festival for family fun including a costume contest, arts and crafts, giveaways and more.

Floating Pumpkin Patches throughout October: Join us for pumpkin picking in our pools. For \$5, Kids ages 2-12 will pick a pumpkin and enjoy a decorating craft. Swimming with your pumpkin will be available in the first hour. Decorating and crafts will be available throughout the event. Children 5 and under require an adult in the water with them. One pumpkin per participant. The event will take place at:

Friday, Oct. 20. 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Germantown Indoor Swim Center, 18000 Central Park Circle, Boyds

Saturday, Oct. 21. 4:30 - 6 p.m. at Martin Luther King Jr. Swim Center, 1201 Jackson Road, Silver Spring

Friday, Oct. 27. 7:30 - 9 p.m. at Olney Swim Center, 16605 Georgia Ave., Olney

Saturday, Oct. 28. 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Kennedy Shriver Aquatic Center, 5900 Executive Blvd., North Bethesda

Sunday, Oct. 29. 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Kennedy Shriver Aquatic Center, 5900 Executive Blvd., North Bethesda *This event is for kids ages 2-15 with disabilities and their families.

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Not Funny or Fun



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Rather, somber, and sad. Today, Sept. 23, I went to the cemetery to visit my parents. It is my deceased father's birthday. Born in 1919, he died in early Dec. 2006. He was a great father and my biggest booster. I miss him terribly, and for you regular readers, he's not totally unfamiliar to you as I often invoke his memory with miscellaneous memories/anecdotes. My mother lies beside him at the cemetery, having died almost exactly two years later to the day in early Dec. as well, in 2008. (As it coincidentally happened, my brother Richard died on the same day as my mother had 14 years before.)

Which brings me to the point/feeling behind this column being written. As of this past Dec. when Richard died, I am now the sole survivor of the immediate family of which I had been a part. With Richard's passing, today's visit was my first to the cemetery without any back-up. Previously, my brother or myself - or both, would make sure our parents were remembered on their birthdays with on-site visits (though we often remember them as we recall a lifetime of memories). But I'm by myself now. There will likely be no other visitors to my parent's gravesite (my brother was cremated) as their lives, as in their friends and family, were either in Massachusetts where they were born, or Florida when they moved south to retire. We moved them to Maryland - while they were still healthy, for them to be closer to us so we'd all be together.

Since neither Richard nor I had children, I really am the last in - and of, a line, extending back who knows how many generations in Russia/the former Baltic States. I only know about my grandparents, and not that much. Records of Jewish births and deaths were hardly respected and protected administratively in the former USSR. With Richard's death, yours truly (our respective wives notwithstanding, as I'm genetically referring here to blood relations) become the go-to-because-everyone-else-is-gone person (immediate family members).

And not that I haven't felt lonely since my brother died, last Dec. 3rd, but in visiting my parents today for the first time since then his passing, I really felt his loss since I am now the last man standing, so to speak. Richard wouldn't be coming by and leaving flowers as he often did, so it was just me - and my thoughts. And as I stood over my parent's graves, wishing my father a Happy Birthday and talking about Richard, his loss became even deeper than I had felt it previously. The reality of it his death hit me harder than it has in months. I'm all that's left.

This feeling, which manifests regularly, especially since my brother and I share so many interests and attitudes; none more than cancer as he had been diagnosed with colon cancer a few months before he died (and yet another subject we had in common; I have thyroid cancer) enveloped me at the gravesite. There I am standing over my parent's graves, talking about my brother having died; and the finality of our family's existence and of my position in it as being the sole survivor of the Louries (or whatever my paternal grandfather's names in the former USSR, was before he immigrated), after hundreds of years and who knows how many generations spanning across however many countries, nearly took my breath away. Heavy duty, man.

To summarize: once I was diagnosed with cancer in 2009 and given a "terminal" diagnosis (stage IV lung cancer), I never thought my brother would predecease me, even though he was almost five years older me. And I had certain feeling of security knowing I would/could always be able to count on my brother, especially since he was my second biggest booster - after my father. And now, having to live the rest of my life without the backstop of all backstops will be extremely challenging, and very unfamiliar. Losing the resource that you count on and rely upon the most, is more than just upsetting the applecart; it's destroying it. It's not exactly how I anticipated living the rest of my life. I'll just have to make the best of a bad situation. My brother wouldn't expect any less. And I certainly have no intention of disappointing him in death any more than I would in life.

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