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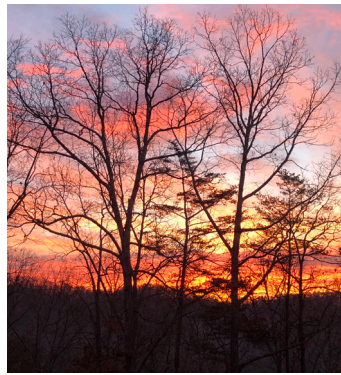


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newsletter

March 2021

Meetings: Look for a Zoom link by email a day before the meeting. The meeting will open at 11:45 for greetings and conversation. The program begins at noon.

Mar. 16 Chapter Meeting Emotions in Economic and Financial Decisions *Alec Smith*

In this talk I'll discuss the role of emotional arousal in economic and financial decisions. Autonomic arousal—the same mechanism that drives the “fight or flight” response—regulates alertness, attention, and information processing. The talk will cover how important decisions cause emotional arousal and how this affects information acquisition and risk attitudes in adults of all ages.

Alec Smith
Assistant Professor of Economics
Virginia Tech



Apr. 20 Chapter Meeting Research on Drones

Mark Blanks

The Mid-Atlantic Aviation Partnership (MAAP) is part of Virginia Tech's Institute for Critical Technology and Applied Science. MAAP is an FAA-designated UAS (unmanned aircraft systems) test site and studies safety. Mark will talk about their research on drones and their partnership with Wing Drone Delivery.

Mark Blanks
Director, Virginia Tech Mid-Atlantic Aviation Partnership



Upcoming Chapter Program

(Third Tuesday, noon, via Zoom)
May 18, Kim Thurlow, Housing Affordability in Blacksburg

Monthly Coffee Talks 8:30 am and Teatime Talks 4:00 pm

See p. 6 for details.

- Tuesday, March 23
- Tuesday, April 27
- Tuesday, May 25

We will talk about the previous week's chapter presentation or anything else that's on our minds. If you would like to receive Zoom invitations for the Coffee Talks or Teatime Talks, please email Leslie Pendleton, lkpendleton@gmail.com.

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Time to renew membership

Use the form on p. 8, or go online to blacksburgaarp.org/online-payments

Membership is for the local chapter in 2021. Pay national dues separately.

COVID-19 vaccine

Preregister for Phase 1b of COVID-19 vaccinations (age 65+) at <https://vaccinate.virginia.gov>. If you have pre-registered at nrvroadtowellness, your information is already in the state registry. See a vaccine update p. 7.

President's Message

Leslie Pendleton



Back in December, I was Christmas shopping at Barnes & Noble when I came across a book titled *Wintering: The Power of*

Rest and Retreat in Difficult Times by Katherine May. The title and one of the reviews drew me in, and I couldn't resist! Author Elizabeth Gilbert said in her review, “Katherine May thoughtfully examines the emotional, spiritual, and geographical reality of the cold times, the dark days, and those periods of our lives when things are neither soft nor easy.”

Metaphorically speaking, “cold times and dark days,” in essence, “unforeseen circumstances,” such as an illness, the

death of a loved one (family member or beloved pet), a pandemic, an ice storm and power outage, are experiences that can “derail a life. These periods of life can be lonely and unexpected.” Indeed, the lives of seniors are comprised of many more winters than just the winter seasons of each passing year. Stress, anxiety, depression, and the desire to withdraw from the world often result. Permission to self-winter can bring acceptance of unpleasant feelings of grief, sadness, loneliness, and unhappiness, which are all part of life.

Perhaps it was reading May's book that enabled me to more easily accept the inclement weather

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From the Memorial Service, January 16, by Sandy Birch, Chaplain

Remembrance of friends who died in 2020

In 2020, we lost many folks who were sort of our friends... at least they were with us as we watched their movies, sang along with their music, and perhaps shared their politics. They may even have been our brothers and sisters in AARP—they were certainly the appropriate age. We will miss such folks as Kirk Douglas, Olivia De Havilland, and Carl Reiner. The music of Kenny Rogers, Bill Withers, Charlie Daniels, and Charlie Pride will remain on our iPods and CDs we still play in our cars. And leaders like John Lewis, US Representative from Georgia, and Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Supreme Court Justice, will be greatly missed. And how can I forget Alex Trebek, who challenged Jeff and me most weeknights on Jeopardy. They will all be remembered.

And while not celebrities by the usual definition, we have nine more celebrated friends who will be missed...and they, for sure, were our brothers and sisters in AARP. Today we will remember them.

First, **Gerald Howard Cross**, who passed away on February 6. Jerry, the much loved husband of 64 years to wife Beth, earned his Ph.D. from North Dakota State University, after serving in the US Army in the late fifties. Jerry taught secondary school in Fargo, ND until the family moved to Blacksburg in 1972 when he accepted an extension position with the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife in the College of Forestry at Virginia Tech. He later became the department head for 13 years. Jerry was most happy when he was outdoors where he enjoyed birding, hiking, biking, fishing, and hunting. He was 86.

On February 13, **Elizabeth Powers Reisinger** passed away peacefully after suffering a brain hemorrhage. Mother to three, grandmother to two, Betsy was a loving and devoted wife to Steve for 58 years. Her friends remember her tall elegance, her warm friendliness, and her constancy in maintaining connections for decades. Her Potpourri Club members and Lifelong Learning classmates treasured her participation. Betsy was 80.

Pierrette Cartier Baney Huber passed away on February 22. She was born in the Bronx, NY to her French parents and spent her childhood between both countries. She met her husband of 38 years, John Baney, while working as a legal secretary at DuPont and they had two children. After 40 years, she retired and at 64, she married Ed Huber and moved to Radford, VA. They spent their retirement travelling the world, and after her husband's death, she didn't stop travelling. Pierrette found joy in her friendships, community, red wine and dark chocolate. She was 92.

James Franklin Wilson died on March 21. He was involved in business and industry for 42 years, the last 36

with the Brunswick Corporation in Marion, Virginia. After his retirement, he and his wife Betty, moved to Blacksburg in 1997 to be closer to family. Jim was active in the Lutheran Church, most recently at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church in Blacksburg, where he held numerous leadership positions. He was a Boy Scout leader for 51 years and was an active volunteer in many local organizations such as RSVP and at the Montgomery Regional Hospital. Jim was 87.

(note: Jim and Betty's son Tom also passed away in 2020.)

Shirley Farrier Strother died on April 3 at Showalter Assisted Living Center. She taught in Giles County Public Schools before joining the faculty at Virginia Tech in the Family and Child Development program from 1959 until retirement in 1989. During her tenure at Virginia Tech, Shirley received the Wine Award for Excellence in Teaching as well as the Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Advising. She was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church, and is survived by her son and daughter and their children and grandchildren. Shirley was 96.

Elizabeth Cure Calvera, educator and resident of Blacksburg, died on May 20. Libby grew up in El Salvador where her father was a civil engineer. She was proud of her family's long-standing roots in Latin America. After pursuing an MA in Latin American studies at Georgetown University, she went on to do community development work in a slum in Caracas, Venezuela. It was in Venezuela that she met her husband Jordi, and in 1979 they moved to Blacksburg where she enjoyed teaching Spanish at Virginia Tech until she retired in 2013. Libby was 78.

On June 1, **Robert Lee Wheeler** passed away. Bob was professor emeritus of the Virginia Tech Department of Mathematics, teaching math, advising students and conducting research for 31 years. He enjoyed traveling with Barbara, his wife of 57 years, serving as a Scoutmaster, and volunteering at the Montgomery County Christmas Store. Bob was an active member of the Blacksburg Kiwanis Club where he especially enjoyed reading to Prices Fork Elementary School preschool students. He lived life well (or half decent as he would say) and did everything he could for people without fanfare. Bob was 76.

Mary Josephine Davis Shotts died on November 4 due to complications of COVID 19. Josie and her husband and life-partner of 62 years, James, moved to Blacksburg in 1965 where they set up home in a barn they remodeled in Catawba Valley, raised their four children, and fostered one more. Josie filled her life with family and service to her community, volunteering her time and energy to organizations such as the YMCA Thrift Store, PTAs, the local Democratic Party, and the League of Women Voters. She loved to garden, particularly enjoying her purple iris flowers and wrote short stories as a hobby. Josie was 86.

Loreta Jane Coe Walker died in Rocky River, Ohio on Christmas Day. In addition to raising her family with her husband William, she had a successful teaching career, first in Chapel Hill, NC and then in Blacksburg where she taught reading and history. She was a member of Blacksburg United Methodist Church and active in its missions and ministries, including the Fun 143 mobile home park ministry. Loreta had a consistent desire to help others in her community and the world beyond and served as the “mother” to many international students and their families. She was 93.

Our nine friends and colleagues were not featured in *People* or *Time* magazines, and their deaths were not announced on the evening news. But if the final *Jeopardy* answer had been “who would you most like to work beside at the Christmas Store, have your children taught by at Blacksburg High School or Virginia Tech, hike a trail with, or sit beside at an AARP gathering”... the answer would be, “these nine beautiful brothers and sisters of our hearts.”

And the people say, “Amen!”

(snow, sleet, and freezing rain) of the last two months. I thought back to the nostalgia of earlier times when I, my friends, and my children enjoyed snow days: sleigh-riding, building families out of snow, and walking sparkling snowy roads and paths. The bleakness of winter can reveal colors and creatures—sunsets, naked trees, cardinals—we might otherwise miss. Sitting under a blanket, reading books, enjoying coffee or tea, napping, baking, knitting, watching movies, and playing games are mindful practices that invite us to retreat, rest, and restore for the coming spring.

“Wintering brings some of the most profound and insightful moments of our human experience.” God and health willing, we will winter again next year. But soon we will emerge from our wintering experience (the season and, thankfully, the pandemic). We can look forward to the “transformative power” of rest and retreat and the new life and energy that spring brings. Happy spring everyone!

Words to live by...

When you arise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive—to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love.

These words were shared during the February meeting invocation, and we have Marcus Aurelius, a Roman emperor during the 2nd century A.D., to thank. He was the last of the rulers known as the Five Good Emperors, who ruled Rome with authority, humanity, and competence and presided over the most majestic and happy days of the Roman Empire. He was also a Stoic philosopher. Stoicism has been summarized as follows:

Stay calm and serene regardless of what life throws at you.

Almost 2,000 years later, that teaching is still appropriate for our times. Marcus, who would also be an inspiring chaplain for our chapter, has much more to say to us such as this—

Very little is needed to make a happy life; it is all within yourself, in your way of thinking.

Or perhaps this quote might inspire us—

You have power over your mind, not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength.

The invocation concluded with a devotional message absorbing the wisdom of the past and applying a little Stoic philosophy.

Each day, let us practice calmness and kindness,

Let us learn more and exercise our minds,

Let us take charge of our thoughts and focus on what we can control, and

Let us jump out of bed in the morning and go to work...as human beings...

to love, to care, and to share.

And the people said, “Amen!”

Sandy Birch

*And the spring arose on the garden fair,
Like the spirit of love felt everywhere;
And each flower and herb on earth's dark breast
Rose from the dreams of its wintry rest.*

From “The Sensitive Plant: Part First,”
by Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792–1822)

Virtual Travel 2021: Two Blacksburg residents cruise the Greek Islands

Are you itching for the days when you can travel again by car, plane, train, or boat? Are you longing to experience the sites and history of other continents? Those opportunities may not be too far in the future. In the meantime, Joan Hirt and Linda Woodard took advantage of Road Scholar's virtual tours and traveled to the Greek Islands in February via Zoom. (Road Scholar is the nonprofit travel organization that serves adults 55+, www.roadscholar.org.) They have shared some details of their experience.

Joan and Linda chose a 5-day trip to the Greek Islands, where they visited, in real time, with a live tour guide, Dionysus. The group of about 50 participants met each day from 11 am to 2 or 2:30 pm, with about 15 minutes for a lunch break.

The day began with a lecture on Greek history and culture, from the beginnings of the civilization to the present time. Lectures included such topics as Classical Civilization, Greek architecture, the Aegean Bronze Age, the science behind archaeology (echolocation), and cultural influences over time. They saw examples of relics that inspired Picasso and were able to see how Picasso interpreted that artifact.

Two guest lecturers assisted. Handouts supplemented the lectures. Because the trip happened in real time, participants could ask questions.

To provide a sense for the participants of traveling through places, a videographer taped Dionysus walking around the islands. Dionysus could point out artifacts in their contexts as he moved around. Participants had maps of the places he discussed so that they could imagine where they would be on the islands as they followed Dionysus.

Linda and Joan were thrilled with their adventure. They cited these advantages:

- The speakers and visuals were excellent. The virtual trip was visually stimulating.
- It whetted their appetites to go on the trip when international travel is possible again. This preview will prepare them well for the learning that their future trip will provide.
- They liked seeing videos of the terrain where they might travel to judge whether they could manage the challenges.
- They felt positive about supporting guides and others in tourism whose business has suffered during the pandemic.
- A virtual trip is a good alternative for people who can no longer travel comfortably.

People who log into roadscholar.org will be directed either to virtual or to in-person travel options.



Linda Woodard and Joan Hirt met at Joan's house for the virtual cruise of the Greek Islands so that they could have lunch together and discuss what they saw and heard.

Volunteers Wanted for Driving Research Study

The Virginia Tech Transportation Institute (VTTI) is seeking experienced drivers, aged 70+, to participate in a research study. Participants will be asked to complete two brief cognitive assessments at VTTI and then drive their own vehicles as they normally would.

Eligibility

- Age 70+
- Live or work in the New River Valley, Salem, Roanoke Valley, or other areas near Virginia Tech
- Own/drive a 2017 or newer vehicle
- Those who frequently drive over 10 miles per trip are preferred

Details

- Total participation time: 4 weeks
- Compensation: up to \$250
- Your data will be kept strictly confidential

To learn more, please call 540-231-3589 or email drivers@vtti.vt.edu

Reference "Experienced Drivers-Advanced Vehicles" in your message

All inquiries welcome!

Three Local Exhibits of Interest

Vaccinated? Ready to venture carefully into the real world for entertainment? Here are three local possibilities. The venues all require masks and practice social distancing and disinfecting.

Exploring the 100th Anniversary of the Admission of Women

| Newman Library, Virginia Tech
March 1- 31 Open daily. Check hours at <https://lib.vt.edu/about-us/hours.html>

This exhibit explores the history of the decision to admit women on campus and the roles of women prior to the fall of 1921. The display will be on the maroon walls in front of the elevators in the Learning Commons area. If you walk in from the Alumni Mall entrance, you should see the display straight ahead, about halfway back in the room.

If you can't go in person, explore some digital artifacts, such as this timeline: <http://vtwomenshistory.lib.vt.edu/exhibits/show/timeline/timeline-womens-history>

Unbearable Beauty

| Moss Arts Gallery, Virginia Tech
Through April 24. W-F 10 am - 5 pm; Sat 10 am - 4 pm

This exhibition presents works of art that are visually engaging, impactful, and even beautiful, while conveying the difficult reality that the consequences of human activity have imperiled the Earth. Featuring large-scale photographic works by three nationally and internationally recognized artists, a stunning video installation of one of the largest arctic glacier calving incidents to date, and an arresting soundscape of birdsongs of species that no longer exist, the exhibition articulates in striking, aesthetic terms the damage inflicted on our ecosystems by human activity.

Montgomery County in 45 Objects 1776-2021:

245 Years of History | Montgomery Museum of Art & History, 300 South Pepper Street, Christiansburg

T-F 10:30-4:30; Sat 1-4. Call ahead 540 382 5644.

What were the interaction of English and German settlers with native people? View the 1790s ironstone platter once owned by the Harman family who were among the county's earliest settlers. A Confederate sword made in Christiansburg, juxtaposed with slave shackles, enables us to think about the impact of slavery and the Civil War. Commemorative pins from the opening of Route 11 and a horse doubletree (wagon harness) help us to consider changes brought by new technology and how the methods of transportation have changed the county.

The stories brought forth by these objects provide a tangible link to our past.

Two Great Places to Donate Books

AARP Blacksburg: Books for Vets

Hardback and paperback books are being collected by this AARP chapter at the Blacksburg Recreation Center for distribution to vets at the Salem, VA, and Beckley, WV medical centers.

Here's an opportunity for you to trim your bookcases and help others at the same time.

Tom Hohenshil is the volunteer coordinator for this project.



NAACP: Support Early Literacy

Support early literacy in Montgomery County, Radford City, and Floyd County by putting books in the homes of beginning readers. The Education Committee of the Montgomery County-Radford City-Floyd County NAACP invites you to donate books that highlight diversity, inclusion, and the shared human values of respect, empathy, and love.

Select books from the M-R-F NAACP Book Drive Wish List on Amazon.com: <https://tinyurl.com/naacp-booklist>. Select M-R-F NAACP Education Committee as the shipping address when you check out.

Or mail a donation to M-R-F NAACP, PO Box 6044, Christiansburg VA 24068. Memo: "book drive"

Lecture and Walking Tour: History of Smithfield's Enslaved Community

Saturday, April 10, 1-2:30 pm or 3-4:30 pm

Register through Blacksburg Parks and Recreation (www.recreation.blacksburg.gov/)

See details at <https://www.historicsmithfield.org/classes2.html>

Join Dr. Kerri Moseley-Hobbs and Dr. Daniel Thorp for a physical walking tour that presents narrative stories in the voices of African Americans enslaved at Smithfield and the facts of the economic business of slavery on site.

Meet our Newest Member: Susie Marion

My roots are in a small midwestern town, but I've lived in the mountains of southwest Virginia for 31 years. I was born and raised in New London, Minnesota, a land of lakes and farms, which had a population of 730 when I was a child. My mother was an elementary school teacher and Reading Specialist, and my father ran a linotype machine for the print shop that he co-owned with his brother. I'm the youngest of four children.

I graduated from the University of Minnesota with an undergraduate degree in Wildlife Management and a master's degree in Forest Resources. My husband, Jeff, and I met in a wildlife management class there and have been married for 38 years. Jeff is a federal research scientist who studies recreation impacts to trails and campsites in protected natural areas.

Of the many jobs that I've had in the field of natural resources, the most interesting have been raising Atlantic salmon in a Minnesota fish hatchery, helping landowners in Wisconsin improve their land for wildlife, and as a National Park ranger in Pennsylvania working with farmers to create a diverse landscape that is beneficial to native wildlife. I also worked as a consultant to the National Park service, writing Resource Management Plans for Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area in Pennsylvania and Booker T. Washington National Monument in Virginia.

After moving to Blacksburg in 1989, I was a stay-at-home mom to our two children for ten years. Our son, Kyle, and daughter, Amy, both grew up in Blacksburg and graduated from Blacksburg High School. Kyle graduated from Virginia Tech; he is a Business Analyst and lives in Nashville with his fiancé. Amy graduated from Appalachian State University; she is an analyst with a sustainable food non-profit and lives in Ashville with her husband.

When I returned to the workforce, I was employed by VT Continuing and Professional Education in their Conference Registration office and then as an assistant to a professor in VT's Computer Science Department. I retired in 2015.

During my time in Blacksburg, I've been an active school and community volunteer. At Harding Avenue Elementary, I served on the PTA Board and volunteered in my children's classrooms. I was a co-coordinator for the Volunteer Committee of the Hand-in-Hand Playground



Care Corner: Coffee Talks, Teatime Talks

Can you believe we've been social distancing for a year? Whew! Our hope is that our members have been able to navigate the Virginia Department of Health vaccine system to get COVID vaccines. Thankfully pharmacies are now administering the vaccines.

Throughout the pandemic, the Board has been engaged in discussions centered around creating more social connection with and between our chapter members. Those chapter members who have attended our monthly Coffee Talks on the 4th Tuesday mornings in January and February have provided a wealth of suggestions for how our chapter can provide care for our members. Starting this month, we're going to try an afternoon Teatime Talk to accommodate those members who aren't early risers. See page 1 of the newsletter.

Whether we sponsor Coffee Talks or Teatime Talks, the intent has been to provide social connection and engagement among our chapter members, especially during the pandemic while we aren't meeting in person. And it's working very well! Coffee Talk participants have emphasized the importance of caring for those in our Chapter who are widows, widowers, and caregivers. Soon after you receive your copy of the March Newsletter in the mail, the Board will send out a brief, needs assessment survey by email (MailChimp). We encourage you to complete the survey so that we can hear from our 200+ Chapter members. We care!

construction project and a member of the Junior Women's Club. Boy Scouts is a big part of my family's life, so I served as the Advancement Chair for Boy Scout Troop 152 and later was co-leader of Venture Crew 152 with my husband. We started the Venture Crew in 2004 so that our daughter and her friends could have the same outdoor experiences and instruction that our son had in Boy Scouts, and it's still going, 17 years later! My personal interests include gardening, hiking, traveling, and making quilts. I'm also an active member of the Whitewater Women, a canoe group that takes weekly paddle trips throughout the region.

I look forward to meeting other members of the Blacksburg Chapter and having in-person meetings in the future!

COVID Vaccination Update *Doug Feuerbach*

AARP Virginia has recently held information events on the COVID vaccines featuring leadership from regional health districts. The following is a partial summary of a Zoom presentation by Dr. Cynthia Morrow, Director of the Roanoke City and Allegheny Health District, covering the current status of the COVID pandemic, mitigation strategies, the COVID vaccines, and the status of the VA COVID vaccination program. Some additional information is added.



Since the peak of new COVID infections during the week of January 18, there has been a significant decrease in COVID activity across the state, with a low point that was reached about 3 weeks afterward. Most of the reductions seem to be the result of historical trends, the end of the post-holiday surge, and community mitigation strategies rather than from the vaccination program, which is just getting underway. Current data, however, shows that the number of COVID cases is plateauing. Because there is still a relatively high level of COVID activity, it is very important for everyone to continue to follow all the mitigation strategies—mask wearing, distancing, and hand washing—that have been shown to be very effective in minimizing transmission of the COVID disease, while we wait for the vaccination program to drive the numbers down.

Vaccines are the best way to prevent COVID. When infection occurs, the virus enters the body's cells, multiplies, and takes over cellular function, which can kill the cell. Components of the vaccine also enter the cells but teach them to recognize the invading COVID pathogen, which in turn activates the immune system to attack and destroy it.

The two vaccines in use up until now were developed by Pfizer and Moderna. On Saturday, Feb 27 Johnson & Johnson received an emergency use authorization for their COVID vaccine. The CDC has signed off on its use and we now have a third vaccine in the fight against COVID.

There are several myths about the COVID vaccines. One is that their development and testing was rushed, effecting their safety and effectiveness. While there certainly was an amazing effort to get all these vaccines developed and approved for use as quickly as we got them, vaccine research has been going on for decades, and the extensive safety protocols for manufacturing and clinical trials developed as part of that research were all followed for the COVID vaccines. Another myth is that the vaccines can alter DNA. Because the vaccines do not enter the cell nucleus, which contain the chromosomes that carry a person's DNA, there is no way that this could

happen. And lastly, because the vaccine does not contain any live COVID virus, it is not possible to get COVID from a vaccination.

Virginia is in phase 1b of its vaccination program, which increases eligibility to frontline workers, persons 65 years of age and older, and those in correctional facilities, homeless shelters, etc. At the current time the Virginia Department of Health is trying to come up with a strategy to address the phase 1b category of persons 16–64 with an underlying medical condition that would increase their risk from a COVID infection, and eligibility for this population is still pending.

While registration for a COVID vaccine in the New River Health District is best done via the nrvtowellness.com website and at participating local pharmacies, the VDH has a new centralized pre-registration website. It's important to note that the new website is not for actual registration to get a vaccine, but to let the VDH know you want to be registered to get it, and it puts you on a list. This allows vaccination clinics to quickly contact pre-registered persons whenever they find themselves with extra vaccine doses to maximize vaccine distribution. The website address is vaccinate.virginia.gov. You can also get on the list by calling a hotline number (877) VAX-IN-VA or (877) 829-4682.

It takes about 2 weeks after the second dose of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines to reach full immunity against the COVID virus and about 4 weeks for the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. Since the J & J vaccine requires only one shot, its full immunity time is actually shorter. In the meantime, mask-up, distance yourself, wash your hands, and monitor your health. And when you can get the vaccine, get it.



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