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"Private" (ex. "religious") "Nursing Home" ("for profit"...not sure?) \$500 per day, horrible tasteless "food", no real nursing just "medicine" dispensers, no privacy... Medicine costs are not included in the \$500 and private insurance...has too many drugs they wont even give co-pay....one ends up, usually, with another \$400 a month. More Americans than ever before are over 65..."retired" with no computer skills or inability, even if "mobile", to work in modern corporations, using electronics.

(In this environment one is quickly "out of date". "Savings" usually don't begin to cover costs. Medicaid (now being politically attacked as a public source of "income" for

usually non-voting people in Nursing Homes....)

The cleanliness of "Nursing Homes" is often difficult to maintain....today, given fear of Covid-19,

Keeping masked staff, almost impossible Vicki Abt, Ph.D.

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