

From The Post:

A Latina writer who lives on the Texas border with Mexico, describes [the contrast](#) between how Washington and the news media describe migrants and what the reality is.

A writer in Florida, when ventilators were in short supply and doctors might be forced to decide who should have access, does a humorous piece [sifting through her long life](#) trying to come up with reasons why, even though she's old, doctors shouldn't necessarily give the ventilator to a younger person.

A veteran political observer in California [assesses the Democrats](#) being considered to fill the Senate seat vacated by Kamala Harris when she became VP.

A Chinese-American writer in New York who grew up in an undocumented family and was perpetually hungry as a child, writes about her food-hording compulsion as an adult and how she realized during the pandemic that it was time to let that obsession go. (This piece will publish Jan. 25.)

A state senator in Nebraska writing about [covid and meatpacking plants](#), and why this is personal for him: His parents were immigrants from Peru who worked on factory lines, like meatpackers do, and last spring his father died of covid.

A former college student in Georgia, the son of Nigerian immigrants who taught him about the freedoms America cherishes, [writes](#) about how his college barred him from speaking on campus about his religious faith, in a case that has reached the Supreme Court.

A Colorado Sun reporter writes about a [grassroots protest](#) of outdoors enthusiasts against efforts by the sporting-goods company Backcountry.com to stop any other business from using the word "backcountry."

A writer in Connecticut with a [humorous piece](#) about expanding her vegetable garden last spring, as the pandemic began, little realizing that by summer's end, with social distancing rules restricting opportunities to share her bounty, she'd be buried under produce.

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