

FRIDAY FOLLIES

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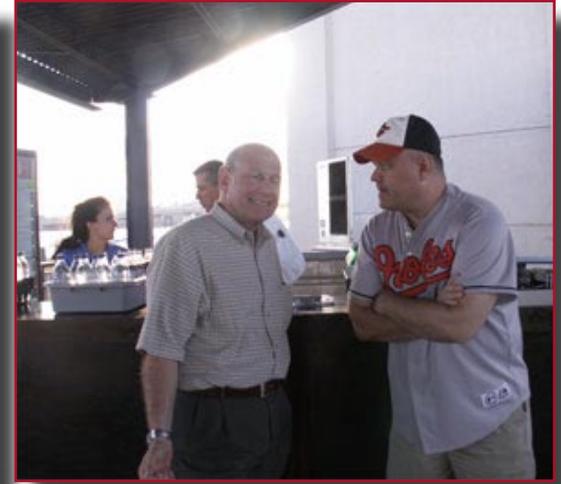
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Nice week. Great weather and lots of fun, too. Hope your was fun!

The Nationals and the Orioles played an exhibition game at Harbor Park on Friday the 3rd. It turned out to be a perfect day - even if a bit windy on the water. The party deck was ready, the parking lot was ready, it was a sold-out house, and yet, sometimes things still go wrong. The big story in the paper and on the news was that the water pressure at the park shut down about mid-way through the game and stayed off all afternoon. Ahem.... That means toilets, folks! Yuck! 12,000 fans, many of whom were drinking beer, so you can just imagine by the end of the day. The City of Norfolk says they now have it fixed, but it did kind of stink up a perfect afternoon.

Anyway, Ken was interviewed by all the stations and the paper; Ryan Zimmerman hit a home run for the hometown crowd; I saw tons of friends I had not seen in a long time - some in years; and just





had a blast! I did not take photos of everyone, but got a few. Funny! I did not think to get a photo of me all afternoon! Actually - all weekend. At the top here are Robert and "Murph!" Two of my very, dearest friends. I have not seen "Murph" in probably close to five years! Robert, I have bumped into from time-to-time at political things, but it was so much FUN to see them! I kept hearing someone calling my name and the next thing I know, Robert grabbed me from behind! Don't you just love reunions? (Let's make sure it is not five years before we see each other again! OK?)

The Japanese media was there in full force to follow the Oriole's pitcher, Koji Uehara. I tried to talk with a couple of them and then just gave up. It was really very funny!



After the game, I headed home and Ken went to one of the last Admirals' games (Hockey). Folks who bought tickets for the baseball game could actually buy one ticket and get one free for the Admirals. Basically, the idea was to try to get folks to hang around Norfolk for a while to let the traffic die down.

Enough of all of that. We also had some lovely dinners during the week. Just a fun week.

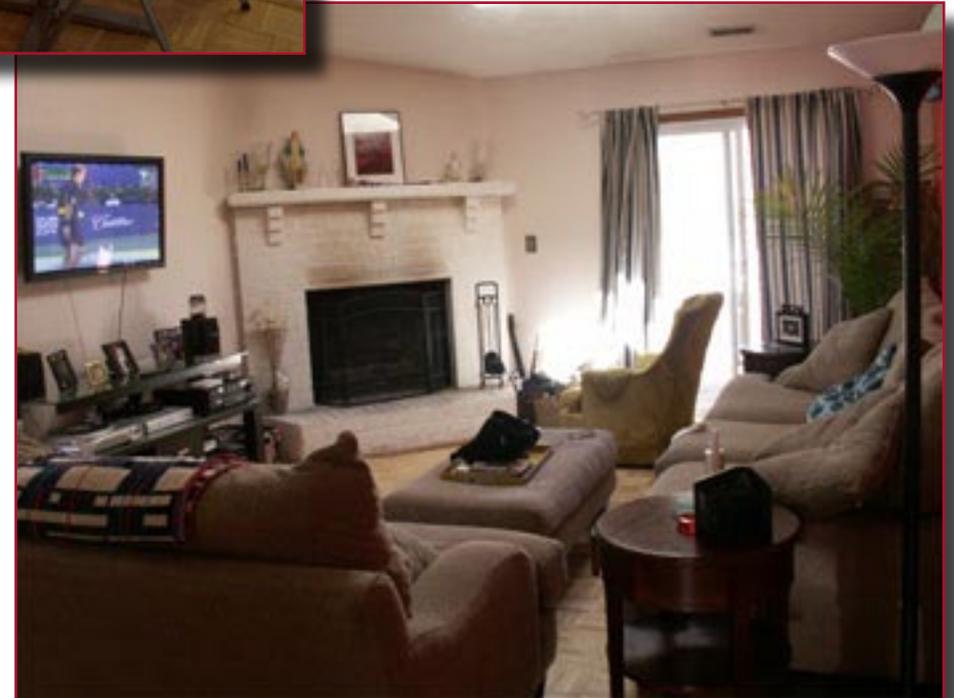
Jessica and Ricky called wanting help with their house. They bought a new Bistro table and Jess wanted to talk about colors to paint the wall behind it. We came up with some good ideas. Then, they gave their king-sized bed away (I hate King beds) and moved their queen-size bed into their room. (Maybe they are getting that extra room ready for down the road?) :-). Anyway, there was a lot of rearranging to do. It was fun. It is always more fun when it is someone else's house! When I got there, Scotty was there and the dogs were going nuts! At one point, we looked over and both dogs were on Scotty's chest kissing him in the face. Man - they are still at that puppy stage...



Jess and Ricky's place just looks adorable, though. She has a real knack for decorating. She knows exactly what she wants. (So do I. I just can't ever get it. Ha!)

I gained two pounds this week! ARGH! But honestly, I did not worry about it. I am back on my plan now, and it will come off again. You have to have some times like that, ya know?

Baby birds are doing great and I have another new one and six new





eggs this week. Cha-Ching! I am also **THRILLED** because Pearl is home!!!! I picked her up tonight! I am going to haul some yard stuff in her this weekend! Can't wait to get her back in the weekend routine!

Also went to a great, casual cook out at Wendy's. It is always so much fun this time of year. Just a very small group and **TONS** of food. I mean Kevin cooks so much great stuff. We all just sit around and let him do for us! We had ribs, chicken, oysters, and my favorite, Rockfish! **YUMMMMMM!** While he was cooking, the kids discovered the old fashioned paddle-ball game. Before you knew it, we were all going at it trying to teach them how. It was a riot! Sometimes the simple things are the most fun!



Well, do you have special plans for Easter? I have had to set up several appointments this Friday and weekend, but I plan to enjoy my three days off. I simply love Easter. I am sure I will kill myself with all of the projects I am lining up. It is always kind of a relief to go back to work on Mondays, because I try to pack so much into the weekends!



On the next two pages are just some images from springtime. I hope you enjoy them. I have not started my garden yet - too early - but I have it all mapped out on paper. I can't wait!



Even though the garden is not in yet, some of my flowers are starting to bloom. That is fun. Aren't they pretty! Don't you just love this time of year? Ahh-chew! OK, enjoy, and I will talk with you again next week! Check out the cook books! I am going to start Volume Six • Entrees' in the next couple of weeks! You're going to need the whole series! :-)



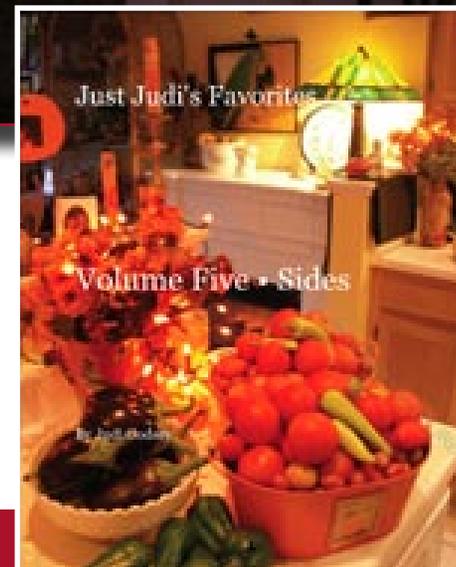


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God bless.
Remember, life is short!
We need to make it a good one.
Grow in peace and wisdom.
Your Friday Friend,

Judi Godsey

PS. NOTE OF CAUTION... 20 employees were fired from The New York Times here in Norfolk for sending lewd and indecent emails. (To my knowledge, none of the 20 were on our joke list - even though some of the attorneys who represent the company were!) I have asked each and every one of you on this list to tell me if the jokes that accompany these "Follies" place you in jeopardy, or even if they offend you. Please understand that they are intended to be light-hearted and are not mean-spirited in any way. If you are ever offended, do not hesitate to ask to be taken off the Friday Follies Joke List. PSS. If you send a joke and I don't use it, it is because it has been used before, and I try not to repeat. Remember, I have been sending these since August of 1997. One tends to go through huge numbers of jokes that way. Disclaimer: When anyone asks if I type all of these jokes, the answer is, "No!" I cut and paste one evening during the week (30 minutes, TOPS). Obviously I don't have time to sit, read, and retype jokes all day!