

FRIDAY FOLLIES

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Man! The weeks are just whipping by, aren't they? I cannot *believe* it is the middle of May, especially with the cool, cool weather we have been having at night. Amazing. I have had a fire going almost every night and none of the stores are selling starter logs anymore... If I find some, I am going to stock up. I love them even in the summer!

Part of the "swish" of time is that I have been pushing so hard to get so much done personally, professionally, and for the start up of the new businesses. It is all fun, but it sure makes time speed by. There's just so much going on. Not complaining, though. Better than bored!

I have tried to keep my weekends fairly free without a lot of

commitments simply because, with the new puppy, there really is not a lot of time to work at night. He has me up so early in the morning that I can't pull my all nighters like I used to do and still be productive. (Sure, Judi... blame that on Ollie...)

The cute thing is there seems to be a constant stream of precious little ones coming over to visit with Oliver, and many of the adults "borrow" kids as an excuse to come over and see him. Samoyeds truly are dogs for children. They are simply awesome.

This weekend was no exception with neighbors and friends and even Jessica stopping by with children she was baby sitting for. The funny thing is, Jessica cannot stay away from him. She just adores him, as I do.

Very sweet.

Liberty (Li'l Birdie) managed to get a bit of attention himself. He has not liked being side-lined. Even he adores Ollie, and



Playing
"Hide
& seek"
with Oliver...

Precious!



when we are sitting together, he ignores me and climbs down on my knee to see what Ollie is doing. I am still too afraid to let them get too close without being *right there*. It would only take two seconds for Ollie to think Liberty was one of his green toys and for it to be *all over*, as they say.

We even had “puppy visitors” this weekend! This little lady’s name is Lily. Oddly enough, that was Ollie’s mom’s name. Every time someone would say, “Lily,” his little ears would perk up.



At one point this week, I tried to go to a friend’s house to dig up some plants she had graciously offered.





She said, "Bring Ollie! He will enjoy it." I did, and we did. Oliver was scared of her Buddy because he was so much bigger (well, not really) and faster, (again not really), but I am sure it seemed that way to Ollie. He quickly learned where the invisible fence line was and how to stay safe behind the trash cans. Very funny. As Dee said, " He will probably be hiding behind trash cans for the rest of his life!" Ha!



By the way, Dee is the one who is the excellent pet photographer. She offered, but I decided to wait until both of his ears are up. Still only one! Looks really funky...



OK, enough pet stuff.

I sound like a new grandma...





This weekend was also the 9th annual Virginia Beach Bike Classic to benefit the USO...



Literally in my back yard! Hey! We are not talking about a couple hundred bikers, ya'll. We are talking about 30,000 bikers!!! 30,000 of them - from everywhere!! It was truly amazing! I have never seen that many bikes or grey beards in one place in all of my life. They had the oceanfront, Sandbridge, and Pungo to cruise, and they had the KOA camp grounds (I showed you a few weeks ago) in which to stay.



Man! It was exciting! I wish I had taken more photos! You know how it is when you hear a motorcycle coming down the road, and then you hear it fade off into the distance? Well, this was the same, except...



It never stopped!

For 48 hours, there was the roar of Harleys and others heading somewhere. It wasn't annoying at all. Once I closed the windows, I couldn't even hear it. (Oh, wait! I am deaf.)



But truly, it was fascinating to watch.

And one of the great benefits was being able to hear the concerts at night. Hey! Free Molly Hatchet, Jamie O'Neal, and The Charlie Daniels Band! Ha! Can't beat that with a stick!



The weather totally co operated with them, and even gave everyone a free shower on Saturday morning.

After that, the skies cleared and it was absolutely beautiful - sunny and in the mid-seventies with a soft, ocean breeze.

They lucked out!

Well, my brother never made it over for the weekend. The pilot and crew he was working with decided to stay in Winchester, Vir-

ginia (where they had been working all week) for the weekend. There was some kind of festival going on over there, and they had to work today, Monday, as well. They are off for a week or so now, so I am hoping to hear that he will be headed this way in the next few weeks when they resume. Hope it works out!

In preparation for having all of them stay for the weekend, I picked fresh flowers from the yard for a bouquet. Funny thing is, they STINK! As long as I have lived and dealt with flowers, I never knew that Irises smelled so bad. They are so beautiful to look at, but, MAN... Do they STINK! Ha! I had to throw them out! They were making me sick!

OK, still tons to do on the new website. I will let you know when she is ready for a "look see." It won't be long, now. It is going to be FUN! Write it down and even bookmark it, if you want.



www.judiwithani.com. Good stuff going on between the lines.

I wish a happy day for your Mamas, and I will meet up with you again next week.



To all of you on my Friday Follies List, whether you are in Manila, Singapore, Kuwait, Bermuda, Virginia Beach, Mississippi, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Minnesota, Indiana, Colorado, Lake Tahoe, Philadelphia, Key West, New Jersey, North Carolina, Indonesia, Washington D.C., Iraq, Costa Rica, Maryland, West (By-God) Virginia, Nashville, Florida, Saudi Arabia, Chattanooga, New York, Oregon, Russia, Maine, Australia, Europe, or Yuma, have a wonderful, wonderful week!

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!