

FRIDAY FOLLIES

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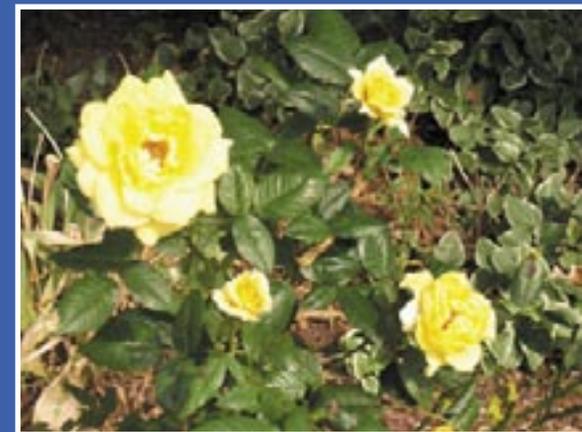
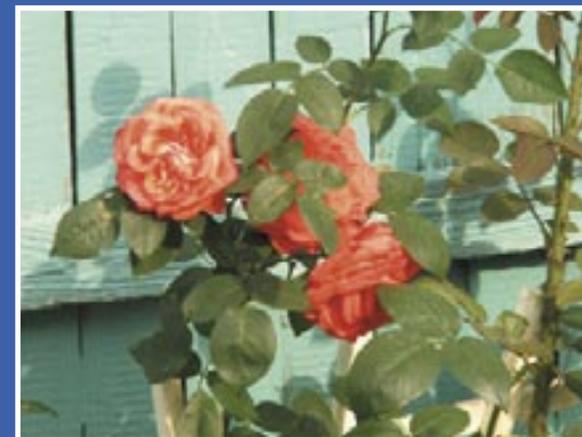
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“Sex and the City!” was awesome! Absolutely had the best time. The funny thing is, I have not been to a movie in probably over two years because I REALLY need captions, and I have to wear those stupid looking headsets that make you appear to be a space alien! Ha! So I was a bit apprehensive about the movie part of it, but it was fine. Not optimum, but fine.

The camaraderie of it all was SUPER, though! Some of the folks Jess and I had going with us could not make it at the last minute, (moving and such) so I called a friend of mine who lives very near the theater and left her an invite on her voice mail. A few minutes later, she called me back from Boston where she was visiting her daughter at Harvard and said they were going to see it up there, too!

At least two other groups that I know of were going, and one group - - are you ready for this - - had 80 women going to their “Sex and the City” party! Heck! I probably don’t even KNOW 80 women! Just amazing. (Have any photos, Dee?)

The theater was all women except for maybe two men, seriously... When the usher came in with the popcorn cart, the entire theater burst into applause! He didn’t “get it” until he got ready to leave and it happened again. That is when he stuck his hand up in the air and gave everyone a big wave. Real cute! Then, right before the movie started, a DATE came in! Do you suppose he had no idea?????

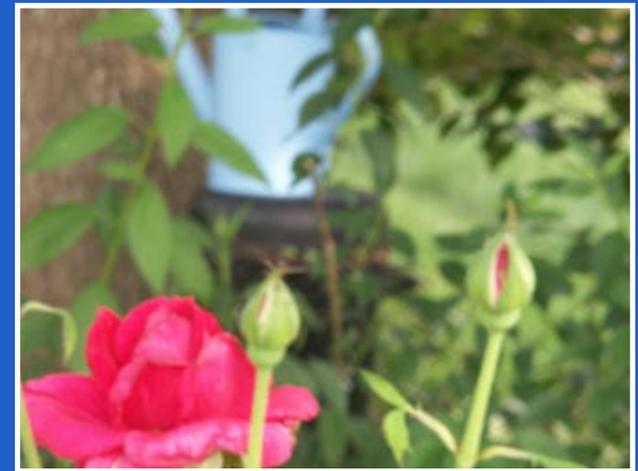




Anyway, he was cute. When the room erupted in applause, it took him a second, but as he looked around and saw a sea of women, he “got it” too, and began to wave to the crowd. (You know, that goofy “Queen of England” wave...)

One of my friends pictured on the cover had never seen a single episode of the SATC. I was afraid she would be totally lost, but she followed along pretty well. I plan to see it again - perhaps this week - with a couple of friends who could not make it that night.

Went to a wonderful dinner party this past weekend, too. My best friend’s husband has a “funny car.” You know... I have told you about that before. It is the one that rockets (literally) down the race way. Well, they have been traveling a good bit with it this spring, and guess what? They are in first place! So excited for them! But my point is, it was the first time we had been able to get together in a long time. It was just a perfect evening with a great group of folks, having a *spectacular* cook out on a balmy, summer evening on the bay. It just doesn’t get any better than that...





The funny thing is, another friend of mine has a Monster Truck! I showed you the Monster truck races on the beach in the Follies a couple of years ago. Anyway, after the races this year, he brought the truck to the school where I work and let some of the Lower School students come out and “inspect” it. He explained the engine and stuff to them, let their teacher climb up (literally) inside of it, and then gave them all autographed Hot-Wheel replica’s of the *Stone Crusher*. Talk about some happy children! Too cute.

A few photos of my flowers this week. I did not take many photos while out, but even being “in” right now is cool. I LOVE having time at home - alone at home is so peaceful! (Ahhhh...)

I have about two weeks vacation left to try to use up before the end of June, and it just ain’t gonna happen. I have a big publication deadline coming up, so



I can't miss too much work. But there is a trip planned to Nag's Head to try to work in, friends, I hope, stopping by for a day on their way to Rhode Island for the summer, maybe a trip to New Mexico? and on and on. I hope to get to Rhode Island, myself, this summer - and DC, Michelle. Also, that frozen bar in Richmond is looking pretty good, Denise. Maybe when the Tides play Richmond, it can be a road trip. I HAVE to try out that bar! It just sounds so cool! Pun intended!



If you do not know what I am talking about, there is a bar in Richmond, only one of a few in the world, which is *frozen*. EVERYTHING is *frozen*! The bar, the tables and stools, the floor, the walls and windows, the glasses - I mean *everything*. Even the bar tenders only stay in for thirty minute shifts. They wrap you in a parka and red gloves before you go in, and, of course, the favorite drink is -- you guessed it -- VODKA! Doesn't that sound like so much fun! I will make it a plan before the summer is over. I have a good friend who just got married in Richmond, and a road trip is a must!



On the next page you see the fruits of my labor starting out! So young and tender! The FIGS are sprouting! That makes me so HAPPY!





Squash, tomatoes, peppers, herbs, flowers - just everything is looking so healthy! The really cool thing is that I have at least three friends who, for the first time, tried their hand at a garden this year! They thought if "I" could do it -- anyone could -- and that is the truth! Kids are great! School is out! Summer is here! All is right with the world! Love to all!



My new cook book came today! I am so excited! They have a new cover design which wraps around the whole book, and it is just awesome! Check out the first fifteen pages of the second volume at <http://www.blurb.com/bookstore/detail/241008> Too bad you cannot see the back half of the book there -- which is sandwiches! Yummm!

Don't Forget! Just Judi's Favorites Volume One • Appetizers and Just Judi's Favorites Volume Two • Breakfast, Brunch, and Late Nite are now available!

You can get to both from the links page on my website! Thanks to those of you who have already ordered your copies! Just Judi's Favorites • Volumes Three through Ten are on their way!



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, Poland, Maryland, West (By-God) Virginia, Nashville, Florida, Saudi Arabia, New Hampshire, Tampa, Chattanooga, France, Phoenix, New York, Oregon, Russia, Maine, Australia, Bangkok, 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