



FRIDAY FOLLIES

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Fall is in the air... Days are getting a bit shorter... Decorated the house in some fall colors... Swapped out the summer wreath on the front door for a fall one... Football started... Don't you just love the FALL!

It was also the long awaited Rock N' Roll 1/2 Marathon this past weekend. Hence all of the photos on the first couple of pages. 20,000 ran past my house, but it was actually not sold out this year. Saw many friends running and then a few more walking the race. Just real cool when it comes right by your house.

Ollie started the day off at 6:30 whining and running to the door.

Something he never does. I though he needed to go to the bathroom. Opened the door and went, "Oh, yea! The race is today!" He LOVES the marathons. The whole time I was washing my face, brushing my teeth and grabbing a cup of coffee, he was dancing by the door! We always hang out with the neighbors a bit, and then walk down to hear one or two of the bands. Then we round the corner by Pendelton and watch as the ones who are winning the race head back towards the finish line. Man, are they FAST!





We did not stay out as long as we usually do this year. I had too much I needed to do before heading out to meet a friend.

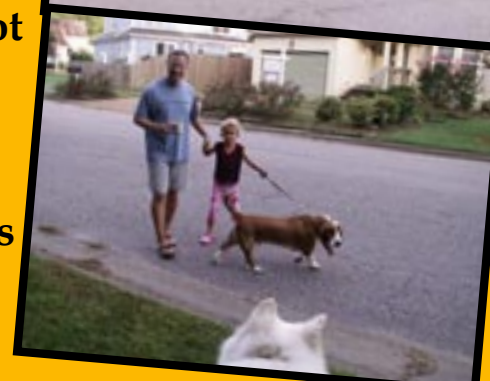
Below is Edy! She runs marathons all the time and often wins her age group. (She is Ricky's mom, and Jessica trains with her.) She was smiling and waving and yelling while the others around her were puffing and panting. Kinda funny! Jess did not run this year because of the baby. She still runs, but just not marathons. She tried to sell her ticket for two weeks before, and I don't think there were any takers - even at half price. That never would have happened in years past. Everyone is cutting back, I suppose.

Went to a couple of really nice dinners this long three-day weekend; totally cleaned out and reorganized my garage; worked in the yard; harvested the garden; spruced up the antique booth at the mall and gave it some fall colors; and actually relaxed and watched a couple of movies! I did not even bring home a brief case this past weekend. Amazing. Also very nice.



I took in a few Halloween and fall decorations for the booth and on the way home, I got a call. Someone wanted to buy a mask I had plopped on a big stuffed gorilla I have sitting on the Victorian couch (yes, it is a very eclectic booth...) They wanted to know how much it was. I was shocked, because it was just a silly, old, plastic mask and was only there for decoration. Ha! I sold it and think I may go get a few more to see what happens. It is so funny what people buy! Some of the things you never expect to sell get snatched right up.

I had wanted to go to the pool the last day of the weekend since it was the last day the pool would be open this year, but it rained all day and night - actually is still raining as I type this and the forecast is for more this week. Anyway, I am not worried about a tan at this point. There will still be plenty of days to lay on the beach this fall.



Wanted to show you this adorable photo of Jess this week. She is getting so excited! They find out if it is a boy or girl tomorrow! I cannot wait!!! She has picked out all that she wants for her nursery and I got her the rocker/glider she wanted. I also plan to make a baby quilt. I made them - well - not baby quilts, but big quilts - for both Jeremy and Jessica. I cannot sew on a machine, so they are always made by hand. I guess I better find out colors tomorrow and get started! The others took me a couple of years each! Seriously! But now they are nice family heirlooms!



I also wanted to show you this adorable photo of my brother's three boys this week. So adorable!



And here is a picture of my new condo! **JUST KIDDING!** This is the new home of a good friend. I just thought it was so incredibly beautiful! Look



how clean and new and colorful everything is! **Awesome!**

OK. Go out and have a great week and weekend, but please remember the significance of 09•11•01. And continue to pray for our young men and women protecting us overseas. They still need our thoughts and prayers.

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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!