

FRIDAY FOLLIES

October 31, 2008

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



Election Day! AND
Happy
BIRTHDAY!



Hey!

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Happy Halloween! There have been several really cool Halloween events already this week. Even more events later this week, so more photos for next week! Just a fun time of year! So much anticipation for the months ahead!



These first photos are from a big party Jessica and Ricky had this past weekend for about 50 children. They had booths set up with games and prizes everywhere and even had a raffle for a Wii. Jess and Ricky dressed as Lucy and Ricky Ricardo. They were just too cute!

I went as a witch (because I was lazy). When I got there, I discovered that all of the other girls there helping out were, by coincidence, witches (lazy?), too.



Jess had so many cute games and the kids simply had a blast! Jess did such a thorough job -- bean bag toss, a cookie walk, tattoos, bobbing for pumpkins, ring toss (on a witch's



hat) Miniature golf, cartoons on a big screen TV, and more. She even had two local authors there to sign their newly published Halloween books and then they did a reading of them for the children. Just a first-rate event! So proud of you, Jess!





Yup! It was my birthday this past week, too. Had a blast - all day at work- and at home and with friends that evening, too. Thank you so, so much! I'm talking cards, emails, phone calls, flowers, perfume, candles, cakes, dinners, visitors, and just plain good fun. The friends and fun are what it is all about, right?!

But I have to tell you that the greatest gift I received was from my two adult children. Each, in their own separate way, and without knowledge that the other was doing it, wrote me long notes/letters about special things and special thank yous for life and the past year! I am telling you - no, I actually can't tell you - how much it meant to me!

My favorite, though, was that Jeremy got the wrong numbered candles! (He is so clever and funny...) He said he knew that he got the wrong ones, but he did not see the right numbers in a colors that would match the cake! Ha! I loved it! It made my day! Ahhh! To be 46 again! LOL!





I am in a quasi show this week. Folks can order, but not buy there. It has been interesting to say the least. LOTS of interest and comments and emails, but whether it turns into product sales - we will see. Fun, though. Above is some of the stuff I was getting ready for the show. The nice thing is, I did not have to BE AT the show and considering how full my plate is already - that is a cool, cool thing!

Cook book Volume Four • Salads goes online this weekend. It is really pretty cool. I think it will be a seller. I personally like Volumes One and Two the best, but that is because I like appetizers and breakfast food - BIG TIME! LOL!

Salads? I like them and have great recipes, but I like the RICH STUFF!

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Well! It was GREAT!

Presidential hopeful, Senator Obama, held a HUGE rally at Ken's ball park in Norfolk Tuesday. (We are in the circle at right...)

Ken was in Philly for the world series (and business) and flew home for the event. He was to get here at 1 - then 3 - then it ended up being 6 because of the bad weather.

We breezed right into the park with only a fifteen minute wait and parked right up front. People had already been waiting in line since 3! 3:00! The event did not even start until 9:30! Just amazing. We visited with Ken's staff and then Ken was whisked away with Dave, the General Manager, for a quick meeting and photo

-op with Senator Obama. Shannon, the adorable lady in charge of the rally, looked at me apologetically because my name was not on the list. I told her I did not EXPECT to be on the list and not to worry about it. She was great! (Man - security was unreal! Thank Heavens!) Anyway, Ken and Dave went their way and I went up to the suite. I was not happy there yet, though, so I roamed around and talked to a number of policemen. There were 250 police officers there from Va Beach and Norfolk and numerous secret service, and I saw at least twenty "swat team" type member - complete with armored gear, guns, telescopes, bullet proof vests and the





likes - five by five get on the elevator and I swear to you, they disappeared! Poof! Gone!

Later I spotted two on the roof, but who the heck knows where the rest were. I am not kidding you... some of them were having trouble carrying their stuff, they had so much! No one ever said a word.....

Amazing...

Anyway, Ken met Obama and gave him a Tides' jersey with his name on it and Barack held it up for a photo. (Maybe next week...) He also signed a couple of baseballs for Ken and a couple he got for secret servicemen who will remain anonymous!

The whole rally really stirred something in me! I stood for a good half hour with a policeman? (Who knows what he was...?) on the mezzanine and we watched as hundreds - thousands - of individuals flowed into the park. They were 5 or 6 abreast and as far as the eye could see - for an hour! A river of humanity! I told Ken later that the true greatness of that rally was that there were literally thousands of folks who never could even afford to come to the park who were there to see Obama. They came by ferry, cars, bikes, buses, walked - truly amazing and heart-warming. They wanted to hear - to see - to believe - and to hope for a better America. As we all do! Barack was amazing and no matter what happens, now, that man is in my prayers every single night and day. He is a good man!

OK. Onward. VOTE! No matter WHO you vote for - VOTE! That is what will keep us great! God bless each and every one of you, in this country and in others... my friends.



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

P.S. NOTE OF CAUTION... 20 employees were fired from The New York Times here in Norfolk for sending lewd and indelicate 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!