

FRIDAY FOLLIES

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What a great couple of weeks. Just too busy to sit and do the Follies every week during the holidays, so I will do them as soon as I can get to them. Think about you all when I miss a week, though!

I did not even take any photos at Thanksgiving! It was wonderful! We opted to do a very casual Turkey Day this year. Jessica and Ricky had it at their house and instead of cooking for days, they brought home the spectacular Thanksgiving feast from the Jewish Mother. YUM!!! We added a few family recipes to round it out and then just relaxed, played games, and talked. Very memorable, indeed! This time next year, there will be a baby Kai to join in! High chair at the table! Can't wait!

Jessica had another baby shower last weekend and it was another huge success. These girls really outdo themselves! The food was unreal and the gifts were so much fun! One of the hostesses actually bakes pies and deserts on the side for local restaurants, so you can just imagine.





A couple of you have asked me about the baby's name. Kai - rhymes with "sky." It is Hawaiian for Ocean. He will be Kai Maxwell Miller. Actually one of my friends wrote me last week and her grandson's name is Kai, too! Unusual, to have a friend with a grandson named Kai, too, to say the least. But with Ricky being a pro-body boarder, it is a very appropriate name for the little guy.

I have also kinda decided on a grandma name... I think. For now, I am thinking of "Grammy." I tease Jessica and Jeremy and say that once a year I will give out the "Grammy Awards" to my grandchildren, and each will get a special "Grammy Award" for that year designed just for them! Ha! Could be fun! What do you think?



The prettiest gift at the shower was the bassinet - practical and absolutely beautiful! They also had some very creative party ideas!



The first was a game where they passed around diapers with melted chocolate bars in them. You had to guess what candy bar it was. It was totally disgusting and looked so real it was unreal! Hahaha! Fun!



The second was not really a game but a table full of onesies and bibs with stamps and fabric paint. Everyone got to design a onesie and/or bib just for baby Kai. Very cute, creative, and useful! Some of the things they came up with were pretty funny. (I think mine will end up being a dust cloth. It was sooo tacky!) The *hit* was "Mamma's Boy! Ladies' Man!"



Then came the presents. I have to say "Thank you" to my friend Stephanie in Florida who found the cutest sock monkey night lite and sent it in time for the shower. It was made all the more special because she has never met Jess. Thanks, Steph!





Spent a lot of time on the house this week, too. Just some deep cleaning before breaking out the Christmas decorations. I went through the Christmas boxes as I decorated and came up with tons more stuff to sell at the antique mall.

That has done OK. I marked everything down 20% and added some holiday stuff. Still not great, but plugging along. It still amazes me what sells. December is my last month there for a while, I think. I may pick it back up next summer, but then, I may do something entirely different. We will see.

Got a call from the Farmer's Market, too, that my stuff was selling great, all of a sudden. I have to go out and replenish their stock tomorrow. Times are really funny...

Well, I really need to get going. Tons of errands and things to do for work. I hope you had a spectacular Thanksgiving, sincerely, and I will be talking with you all very soon. Love to all.



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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

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!