

December 23, 2005

Hey,

Merry Christmas! It is here! It has been a very pleasant Christmas for me thus far. I miss Jeremy terribly, but other than that, it has been very peaceful and calm for a change. God is good.

Several cool things have happened since I wrote last...I will mention a few of them...but really not much time. Remember I told you about my friend (Virginia's Governor for a few more weeks) Mark Warner being a front runner for the Democratic nominee for President, (he and/or Hillary, that is.) Well, he has been on the Follies list forever...since way, way back, and even when he is traveling and campaigning, he emails me something from his Blackberry after every Follies goes out. Real cool. He even responded when he was "testing the waters" up in New Hampshire. Now, that would be cool to have the President on our list, wouldn't it? I have several at the White House now, also Senators,

Congressmen, and a couple of Governors, but not the President! (Not unless you are forwarding them to "W", Susan R.) Anyway, having the President on the list would be fun. (Not to mention Mark would make an exceptional President!)

Another interesting tidbit - my friend, Big Joe Shelton in Mississippi, the Blues Musician,

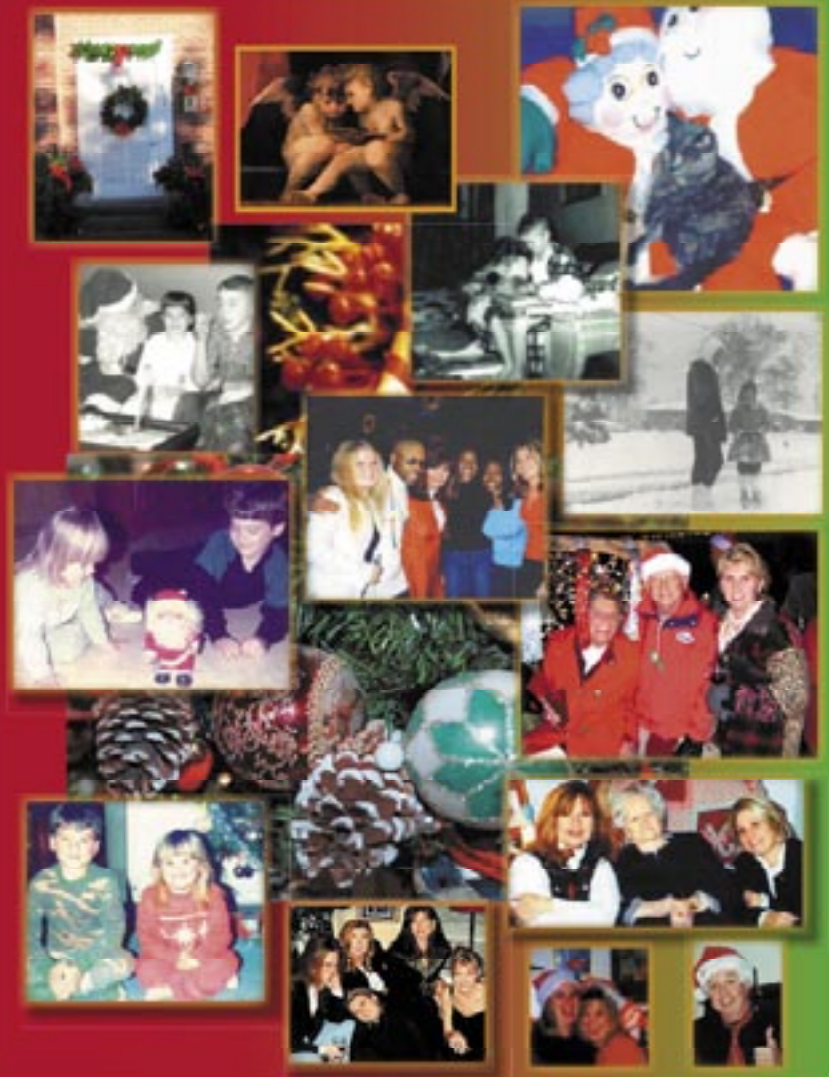
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FRIDAY FOLLIES

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Christmas Past...



just put out a new CD and it was reviewed in an Austrian magazine. He got the review, but could not translate it, so he sent it to me to see if I could help. I sent it to the Language Department at work for someone who speaks German to translate, and before they could do so, it turns out a friend who is in Vienna now got the magazine and translated it for us. The world surely is a small place...

Thank goodness after all of that, it was a glowing review! Congrats, Joe.

I also went to a pajama party this past weekend. Talk about cool – and no – I did not take any photos...(smile) It wasn't that type of pajama party! Seriously, all the couples came to the party in sweats or their flannel pajamas and robes and slippers. I even brought my little stuffed reindeer, Rudolf! We ate chili and popcorn, curled up with blankies and watched Christmas movies on a big screen TV in front of a huge, roaring fire. It was very, very cool, and I am going to remember that party theme for another time. It was just great fun.

Well, on the home front, there are new baby finches. I tried to throw the eggs out every morning, but I must have missed a few eggs under the nesting stuff. It will be OK, though, because I have them in a bigger cage now, plus, now I have a pet store that will take them for me.

Christmas Present



Liberty (L'il Birdie) has defiantly reached puberty! His claws have grown, his beak has gotten longer, and he flies now! He is not talking yet, but, man, is he trying. He imitates the number of syllables I make with little noises and can copy the clicking and purring sounds that I make. He is really sweet, but I need to go have his wings trimmed again. He has startled himself several times over the past week by slipping and falling and then suddenly flying across the house. When I go to retrieve him, he always has this "Oh my GOSH!" look on his face. I do not want him to get too accustomed to it.



OK, I will follow this up with recipes and wonderful beverage mixes. Please enjoy them with your family and friends and may God bless you during this holiday season.

Please pray for our troops and keep them close to your hearts this Christmas.





Christmas Future

I sincerely hope you and yours have a wonderful, *magical* Christmas and Holiday Season.

Much love to all of you serving our country this year. Please know that we hold all of you close to our hearts, and we pray for your safe and speedy return.

Merry Christmas, Everyone!



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, 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, Maine, Germany, 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

IS, NOTE OF CAUTION... 20 people were dead from The New York Times but in North Dakota, working hard and excellent results. (In my last weeks, none of the 20 were on our joke list - even though some of them were to represent the company well). I have asked each and every one of you on the list to please if the jokes that accompany these "Follies" place you in a position where they offend you. Please let me know that they are intended to be light-hearted and are not meant to offend in any way. If you are ever offended, do not hesitate to ask to be taken off the Friday Follies list. I will. If you send a joke and I don't use it, it is because I have used it before, and I try not to repeat. Remember, I have been making these jokes August of 1997 - I have made to go through hundreds of jokes that way. I do learn. When anyone asks if I type all of those jokes, the answer is "No!" I do not type anything during the week (I minimize TOFS). Obviously, I don't have time to sit, read, and retype jokes all day!