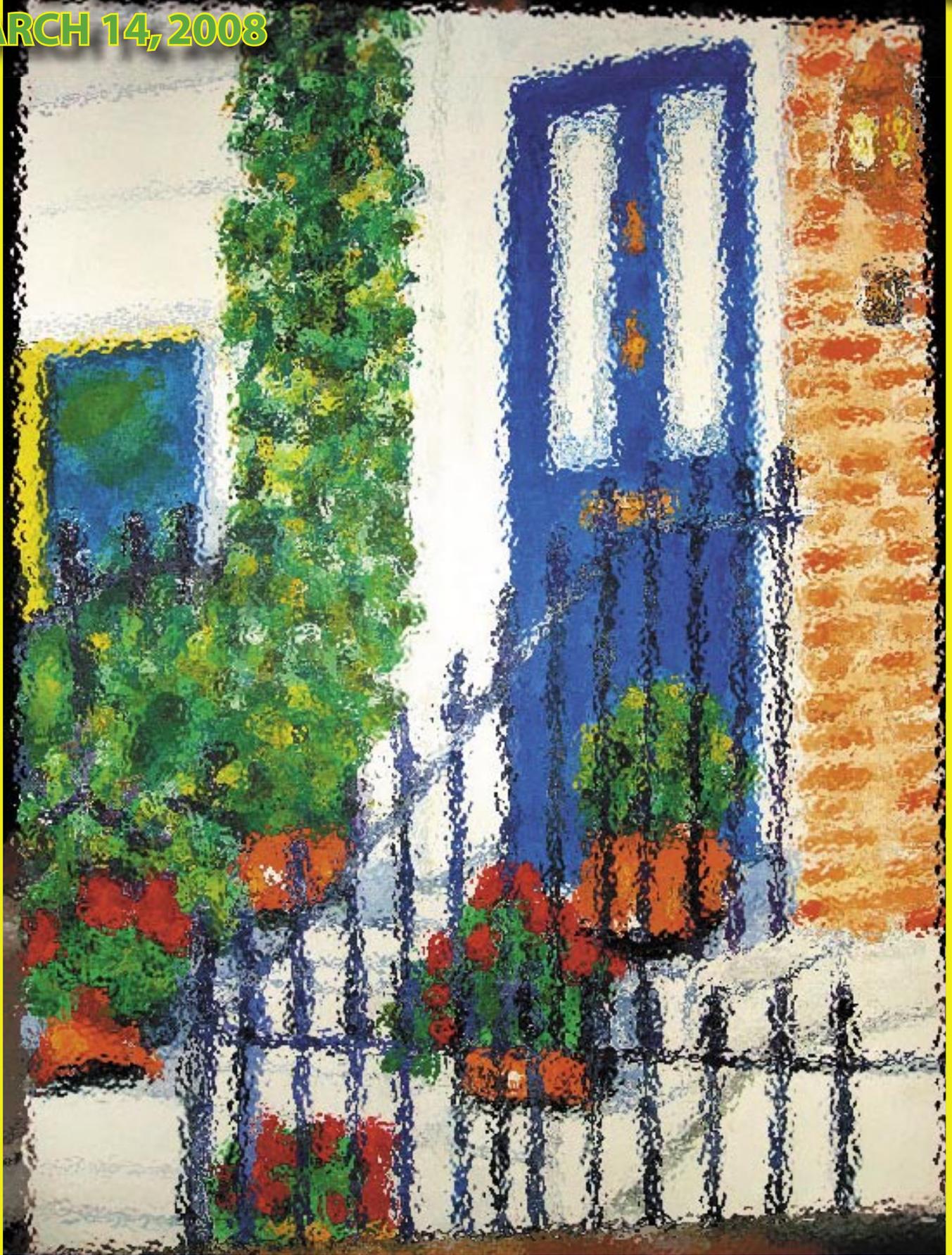


FRIDAY FOLLIES

MARCH 14, 2008



Hey!

March 14, 2006

Happy St. Patty's Day - early!

I hope it is the best for you! It is actually my wedding anniversary - got married on St. Patty's Day in St. Thomas, but that was many years ago. Things have changed and life goes on, and... well... sometimes life gets better! That's the truth! No bitterness, no harshness meant, at all. A simple truth... Sometimes life DOES get better!

I have so much good news to tell you, but I still need to kinda sit on it for another week. (Nope not romance -) Just "everything is great in 2008" stuff! I'll catch you up next week and will include photos! Deal? Hope things are going well for you, too.

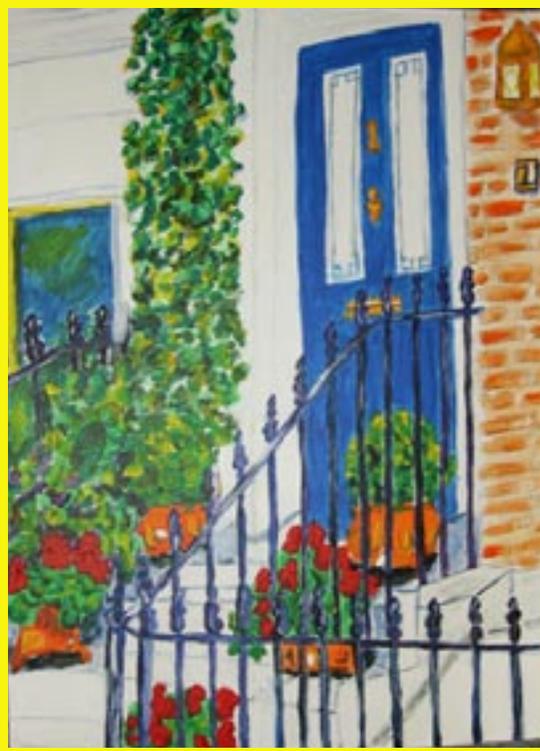
On this page I have included some rather "Irish paintings." My new painting - above - already hung on a wall - found a perfect home!

Listen! I really KNOW that my paintings are not that good, y'all. I am certainly not that vain! And the only reason I show them to you is so that you will understand that no matter what age you are, or where you are on your path, you simply HAVE to keep learning - no matter WHAT you are learning! I am teaching myself to paint. Period! I tried the violin - which I loved - but my hearing aids did not! Ha! So I started something else. (I still love the violin, though...)

Please know that I KNOW I am not that good at it, yet. I know I have so much to learn. I know I could benefit from lesson. But NONE of that is the POINT! I share them with you because they are a "passion" of mine. A Passion! We all need that, don't we? Find your passion and make it happen. That is honestly all I am trying to say by showing you all of these silly paintings from start to finish... when I know you could care less.

I LOVE them, but when anyone comes to my home and the paintings are on every wall - literally on every wall - I DO feel a bit eccentric. But who cares? I LOVE them.





They demonstrate GROWTH to me! That is the POINT. I hope you know me well enough by now to know that. NONE of it is vain!

So, with that said, I finished the "Yellow book" painting, and now have started on the "Brownstone" painting. Just trying something new... It is actually in acrylic - which I do not like at all - but am trying to learn. It dries waaaay too fast for me! I will show you the finished product.... Not pleased, though...

Well, I am having a party later this month and I know it may seem too soon to start stressing about it. I am not stressing really - there is just so much to do! My backyard looks like a bomb went off in it! I have GOT to have a nice weekend to "fix it up." I bought a new flowering cherry tree for right outside my back door - not because I wanted one, but because my next door neighbors (I love them) built a huge new deck right

outside my door. My back door opens towards their house, so now, when I step outside to go to the garden, or entertain, or whatever, there they will be! They have a party every Friday night from April through November... I have a very, VERY small space to plant something. I have always just kept my grill in that spot, but now there will be a beautiful, flowering cherry tree there. I will just have to keep it pruned so it does not grow into the fence or the house. Ha!

I got the sweetest email from Memphis this week. Someone who found my site by another search she did and was astounded by the similarities. Once she wrote me, I was astounded, too. Amazing! Thank you, Trish, and welcome to the Follies list!

Jessica returned from Arizona this week. She went with her mother-in-law and they went to see her new sister-in-law. They had a blast! Thank you, Don, for writing to ask if they were in Phoenix. Yes, They were. Jen owns a nice gift shop there and it might be one that you would want to seek out for one of your new multi-million dollar projects there. Very posh. :-)

Jess sent me these stupid photos while she was on her trip! Why, I do not know, because they are old! Hahaha! Just connecting, I guess. I love her so...

Jeremy - I love him so, too -(I am so lucky) starts a new job (better job with better benefits)



this week. I will tell you more later, but he is doing great in school, and we are both thrilled about his new, potential possibilities.

OK. I think that is all I can say for this week. More to tell, but for very good reasons, it will have to wait!

Just be happy! Love to you all!

Please continue to pray for our men and women overseas, that they return home soon, safe, and successful! It really is starting to happen!

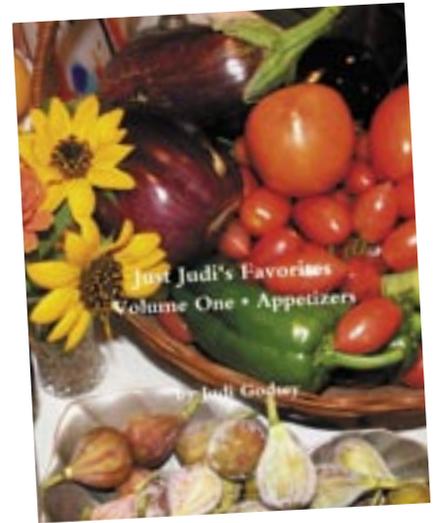
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*God bless.
Remember, life is short!
We need to make it a good one.
Grow in peace and wisdom.
Your Friday Friend,*



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!