

# FRIDAY FOLLIES

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Great week, but LONG! Lots of work and deadlines and more to come, but certainly some nice time to relax with friends in between! That is what this time of year is all about. Finding time to unwind in ways that really matter... family and friends.

There was an awesome art show at the school where I work featuring works from our alumni. Just spectacular! Truly! I do not have all of them here, you will have to come to the exhibit for that, but there are a few here from very dear friends.

I was so happy that my buddy, Brett, made it down from New York City for the show. He had to take the train to protect his artwork. They are rather large and quite expensive, so the train was a smart move. Brett is so humble and so incredibly talented. I am very proud of him and he seems to care that I care! That is nice! His website can show you more of what he has done and is listed on my Judi's Friends' Links page. He has recently applied and is awaiting word from the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Fingers crossed!!!!!!





There were many others there, too. Kevin DiBona had a piece there. David Simkins is above with some of his beautiful work. Ashley Simone had a book and several pieces, along with Carl Medley, Jason Wagner, and Lisa Ashinoff. It was just a very nice event. So proud of you all, and thank you for letting me be a part of it.

There was also a great Alumni Reunion Reception, and another night, a very nice senior dinner for our current seniors. Just wonderful events, all. They all remind me of how long I have been where I work and how much I love what I do. There is no more important work in the world than being part of a young person's education. That is from my heart!

Also one evening this weekend, I went out to dinner with a Wendy, and after, we went back to her house and up to her art studio on the third floor of her beautiful home and she gave me some tips on one of my latest paintings that is totally not finished. OH! It was so much help! I could not believe how much a few minutes with someone who knows what they are doing helped me see things so clearly! Now, I just need to find some time to finish my painting! Maybe in a month or so when things calm down!



After dinner and the painting session, Wendy and I sat up until after 1:00 a.m. just solving the problems of the world. Don't you just love friends like that!

Here are some photos of some of my young friends enjoying getting together after many years. Look at all of the smiles! It was great to see you all!

There was a community yard sale this weekend, too. I worked at night all week to clean out every drawer and closet to get ready for it. Everything was all neat and organized in my living room. Then Saturday morning, I was so whipped, I overslept and just said "To heck with it!" Guess I will see if Jess or Jeremy want any of it (the good stuff) and the rest will go to the Salvation Army. It felt good to get the house cleaned out, though.



Oh, I have to tell you this, real quick. Those of you who have been following the Follies for a while know the story about Johnathan Van Every, the baseball player for the Boston Red Sox who is from my home town... well his father is, anyway. If you don't know the story, go to my website and look up the Follies from July 18, 2008. Then this week, several of you called and emailed me to tell me of his GREAT success! Just too funny! Good for you, Johnathan! Watching your success closely!



Copy and paste the following link to your browser to read and see the article and video about Johnathan's debut after you read the Follies again. Very cool.

OK. I am truly tired and have a full week-and-a-half scheduled for the next three days alone! Ken is in town for a few days and I have not made it to a single game. Just slammed. I hope to make a game tomorrow night. I usually don't get to go much until the summer months anyway... but I would like to.

I hope to see you soon on Facebook and Twitter. Both are a HOOT! And both are VERY different. They are FREE, so give them a try. Get your feet wet! I am *Judi Greenhaw Godsey* on Facebook - the thing still amazes me! - and my username is *judiwithanicom* (no dot) on Twitter. I am still getting the hang of that one. I can see HUGE value to Twitter for someone in business. Don't have many friends on there yet, so I mostly use it for news. Get on there and look me up. I wanna see how it works for conversations!

Order cookbooks, plant your gardens, and ENJOY yourself!

Much love to all.

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**T**o 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!

**G**od bless.  
**R**emember, life is short!  
**W**e need to make it a good one.  
**G**row in peace and wisdom.  
**Y**our 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!