Where oh where is Spring?

Well, we are thinking Spring, even though we have not put away the winter clothes. What else happens in Spring....Spring cleaning? Yes indeed. For us it started with having a local business called 'Beyond Clean' come in and brighten up our tile floors and repair the grout. What a difference it made!! The house is about eight years old and this is probably the first time it was done since it was built. I know you are just dying to see how it is done, so I have included some tell tale pictures. First is the before picture of the bathroom. You can see how dark the grout was and where someone made a poor attempt to repair it. Then finally the finished product in the kitchen. Beautiful!!

Bob & I also had our annual physicals....I don't know if that goes under Spring Cleaning also or not?? They were uneventful, which is always a good thing. The Lakeside Community also arranged for an 'Elder Lawyer Presentation' which was very informative and well attended. The presentation was done by a local lawyer who specializes in Elder Law.

Then, one day while Bob & I were on our way home from the store we saw a plume of smoke over the trees and wondered what was on fire. It wasn't long before we realized that a fire had started in the Carolina Forest area, only a few miles away. It was a case of the 'perfect storm'!! The humidity was low, the ground was dry, and the winds had picked up. The fire that started from an unknown cause and quickly destroyed numerous homes and apartments. People barely had time to get out. The photograph was taken by Bob from our deck. There was an outpouring of support from the community at large. Sooo, what else happens in March? St. Patrick's Day of

course! Lakeside put on a great party in the Ballroom, complete with music and cake. As you can see everyone wore the appropriate color. Later in the week there was a Pub Lunch with corn beef and cabbage, which we attended, as well as having some corn beef at home. As we moved to the end of the month, we ended it with a bang! Not only did we celebrate Easter Sunday, March

24th, but we had dinner at Logan's with about 30 residents of Lakeside Crossing Drive on Friday and we attended another outstanding performance by Carolina Forest High School on Saturday. To begin with, Bob & I decided to go out for brunch on Easter Sunday. We picked the restaurant in the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort Hotel. Although the food was very

good we didn't see much in the way of breakfast food. Afterwards we drove along the beach for a bit. It was a nice day, but a little too cool to walk on the beach. The Friday before we attended a dinner at Logan's. became aware of this group through Jack in my T'ai Chi Chih class. A few couples who live along Lakeside

Crossing Drive got together several months ago and it grew into a 30 to 40 people event. Groups like this spring up from time to time. There is a New England Group, a Maryland Group, and some others. They left New York out, and we don't know why. Maybe not enough NY people here?

The big event was the play that CFHS put on Saturday

the 23rd. Just when you think you have seen the best this group can do, they reach a new height in performance. You may think I am exaggerating but everyone is saying the same thing!! One thing I didn't know is that for a group like this to put on such an acclaimed production, they had to get a permission. They

needed a good deal of skill, help, and donations to put together the props used in the production. They even put together a special show to collect funds for the fire victims in Carolina Forest. I scanned the front of the Play Bill which is to the right. These kids are positively amazing with their talent.!! This is probably a good time to let you know what is happening with the two groups I started here, T'ai Chi Chih and the Photography Group. I have had a good deal of interest in the TCC group. I have had a core group of about 5 with another 4 that are intermittent because of other commitments. When we get together, we help each other improve our moves. It is a great group and I love it. It has helped my energy level, ability to focus, relax and

much more. When doing it with the group, we all feel a collective energy going through our bodies, especially our

The photography group is also moving along. Again, a great group of people. One of the more experienced guys in the group has volunteered to prepare a presentation on digital photography. We did some of that this month but we got sidetracked a little. There is so much to do it is

hands. Amazing!

hard to stay focused. One thing is certain, everyone present is very enthusiastic and is thrilled that I started the group. Finally, my two little kitties have been busy with the Spring activities. On the right they are sitting very relaxed together looking out the deck door. Now the next picture is interesting. You have to understand that Miss Minnie gets bored easily. She frequently gets into mischief with

my plants or something. The box she is busy with is from a pair of shoes I bought. She likes to chew and has really taken to my old shoe box. I should have taken a picture of what the box looks like now, or at least what is left of it.

I don't mind, as it is relatively easy to clean up and keeps her out of real trouble! Remember the odd couple from last month? Well the duck on the left with white on the head is the one that used to hang around with the Egret. The other three are females, so he has been really busy, if you know what I mean. I hope we get to see the babies. Well, this has been a two pager and I am tired, so see you next month.....



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