

Busy Month!!!

Yes, indeed, this has been a very busy month! We started the month with cataract surgery for Bob. We are now both done with this senior experience! Then I had the pleasure of going to the dentist and finding I needed some extractions. I didn't want to go on the cruise knowing I had an abscess brewing. Having done my research, I found a dentist I was comfortable with. It paid off as I needed three teeth pulled on a Thursday and the next morning I was scheduled to give a presentation on T'ai Chi Chih at the monthly Lakeside Coffee and Donuts meeting. I was a little concerned as I didn't know if my face would be swollen as well as sore. No swelling after a couple of hours using cold packs, and absolutely no pain. Dr Tommy Murph is a great dentist!!

The presentation went well, also. Another member of T'ai Chi Chih, Jack Carrol, did a demonstration as I spoke. We both received very positive feed back and new people signed up for classes as a result. I planned to start a second class when we return from the cruise.

The other significant happening is the building of the Screen Room, which has been an ongoing project for several months. I am happy to say that it is about 90% finished and we have been enjoying it during the past few days. The tile floor needs to be laid and some minor additions, but that is all. I have included pictures of the room, plus some cute pictures of Whiskers and Ms Minnie exploring it! Very cute!

With the screen room nearing completion, I have put myself in 'overdrive' and went outside to do some gardening. The outside temperature has cooled down enough to make it doable.

This is also a month of welcoming old friends and getting ready for our cruise! Walt & Judy Kaiser from the HR 400 Chapter stopped by for a nice visit. It was great to see them again and get up to date on chapter news. While they were here, we thought we would get together with Paul & Angie Thrash, only to find out they were off gallivanting somewhere in Northern Europe! Good for them!!

The rest of the month was spent getting ready for our cruise! Bob & I were shopping for a few last minute things and a lot of thought had to go into packing medications, clothes, etc. While living in our motor home for 10 years, we didn't have to think about packing for a trip, because our whole house moved with everything in it. I am spoiled! We didn't even have luggage.

Well, that is all I can really write about for this month, even though it has been busy. So I have included a little advertisement to fill in the gap. I have included a picture of a house for sale, one house up from us on the same lake. It is very similar to our home with a 2 car garage; plus a screen room and patio overlooking our lake. The couple who own it never lived in it because of family ties

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up North and I think medical issues that developed recently. They want to unload the house and had dropped the price to \$94,900 which is a real steal. I know that some HR 400 people may be thinking of coming off the road and this might be of interest. Great location! There are other houses for sale here as well, but I think this one is a real buy. Looking up the lake, past the screen room, you are looking towards our house. Nothing may come of it, but it fills my page up. :-)

Talk to you after the cruise!!!!!!