



Birthdays!

First Sierra's on February 5th then mine on February 6th. Lots of love from our kids—presents, flowers and greetings from all. The Pines sent me a nicely styled, very pretty top just in time for a trip I took to Washington plus a wonderful set of Pyrex dishes. Chris sent me these flowers.



To Bellingham & Back

Since my last newsletter, I made a special trip to Washington to visit my Mom. Not being able to get a direct flight to Bellingham where she lives, I flew into Seattle on February 9th to spend the night with a friend I have known since I was in grade school after which I rented a car to drive to Bellingham.



Not only did I get lots of visiting in with my Mom, I was able to deliver copies of her autobiography books to Sherrie, Connie, Tammy, Lisa, and Wanda all of whom had not received one yet. I also was able to take one book to the Center of Pacific Northwest Studies located on the WWSU campus (Mom's idea). Mom's autobiography is now available to the public for viewing by visiting the Center and will now be archived as part of history. It will also be referenced in the Bellingham public library in their cataloging system.

While at Patti's, conversation about our Indian ancestry was a popular subject all because Keith Brown sent me strong documentation showing we have Indian ancestors through our Gray and Montgomery lines.

There was also a family get-together at my cousin's house for those who were able to make it. Our gathering included Mom, Bonnie, Patti, Lonnie, Brent, Orion, Octavia, Jupiter, Darcy, and Dawn followed by a second get together the following day with my class of 64 classmates for lunch at Bellis Fair in Bellingham.

My flight home was into Sacramento on February 12th where Robert picked me up just before seven o'clock. Before heading home, we went out for a very nice dinner; a lovely ending to a wonderful trip.



For the Birds

The humming birds that is...we decided to give our humming birds real flowers instead of feeders. We settled on Coral Honeysuckle to plant outside our picture windows. Robert came up with making two cement pots for two plants we ordered online. One will be on the east side and the other will be on the north side of our living room.



London Landed

Brex has now been in England for over six weeks and is appreciating her first weeklong break from school. Tim made a special trip to spend time with her, first meeting her in London. They both are now in Austria where they are enjoying the ski slopes.