

Shorts from my world

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Bellingham AND Philadelphia



Two week-long trips are now under our belt since my the July newsletter. First trip was to Bellingham for the Gray PEAR Affair. There were 35 attendees enjoying this year's Gray PEAR Affair pinic and potluck held at a local Bellingham park and celebrating my Mom turning 90 on September 30th. Knowing how she loves whimsical and fun socks, attendees brought her lots of unique ones. Kathy arranged all to look like a bouquet of flowers (Aubrey and Sierra's idea). Mom was most delighted

when Sierra handed her the bouquet.

Our second trip was to Philadelphia for the an-

nual Austin Families Conference. When we weren't attending conference meetings, we were out taking in the rich history around the area. Seeing the Liberty Bell, Valley Forge and the Philadelphia City Hall were just part of all the fun things to see and experience.



My Mom with her daughters Linda, Me, Donna & Bonnie







Oregon is Now Home to Kathy, Tim, Rylan, Aubrey and Sierra

Their house in Sonoma is on the market. The kids are all signed up to start school in Lake Oswego next week. Why the move? And why now? They wanted good schools in a nice area. After lots of research about the schools around here and input from cousins Dave & Stacey, who live in Lake Oswego, they decided to make the move.

Also, with a very hot housing market in Lake Oswego, the best way to find a house to buy is to be IN the area. Trying to buy a house while living in Sonoma just wasn't working. AND they needed to be in the area this month to get all set up and registered in school.

We applaud their bold move however we certainly are going to miss having them so close and being able to see them all the time, something we have truly enjoyed for over 10 years!



I am very excited about my month long exhibit coming up in just over a month.

I am also going to be very busy finishing out my exhibit with more drawings and then framing them all!

