

In My View



These lilies (I love lilies of all kinds) were on our dining table last weekend for a dinner party with friends.

It's been a busy summer for work and play, and when the heat finally arrived, it certainly was welcome. The added bonus of that wonderful couple of balmy weeks in September made the summer for me. We ate on our deck every night.

Now it is fall and we are moving our deck furniture down to the crawl space tomorrow. As I write, I can see our outdoor carpets hanging over the rail and the umbrellas are open to dry out before they are stored. Sad to see the summer end, but I do love the fall. Over the next few weeks, there will be a big clean out in the garden, pruning back the bushes and shrubs that have grown so much this year. The three hardy jasmine I planted along the wall leading to our front door have grown like mad and are still blooming. They seem to be well established. I'm going to mulch them and wrap the roots in burlap this year, as I don't want a repeat of replacing them next spring.

We have kept up our daily walks around the neighbourhood and have enjoyed watching various neighbours' gardens burst into colour. Their veggies have continued to grow and produce wonderful bounties.

We didn't manage to use our bicycles this year. It seems we only have time for one form of exercise at a time. It has paid off for me though, I am the same weight I was when I married Alan nine years ago. It was a big struggle to get to weight for our wedding, but this time, it has just dropped off. I guess I'm destined to be skinny in my old age – who knew?

No get-a-ways in the near future, at least none are planned at this point. We are really enjoying home and hearth these days.

Be well and happy!

Bonnie