

June 2009

I've been holding off posting the June newsletter because I'm waiting for a picture taken in front of Star Barn on May 30. But, I wait no more. The picture is of a bridal party – just the girls. The bride, a local girl, and her bridal party reserved rooms at Star Barn for May 30, the wedding day. They arrived bright and early along with the hair dresser to be “coifed”; lovely up-dos and knots and curls. It was a great use of the yoga studio space. A long table was provided for all the “stuff” and chairs facing the wall mirror; music playing, girls of all ages laughing and joking, stunning gowns hanging around the room. The group got dressed in time for pictures in front of the barn; then the limo came to whisk them away to a field down the street where the wedding was performed. Music and laughter could be heard until the wee hours of the following morning. All five rooms were filled in the barn, the first time all five were occupied simultaneously. The bride and groom spent their wedding night in “The Room Yet To Be Named” – the room that is adorned with wedding and anniversary memorabilia – the perfect Honeymoon Suite! In consideration of the previous night's partying, breakfast was light – muffins, scones, hard boiled eggs, fruit, yogurt, cereal. They picked what they wanted and were very appreciative of the variety. We loved what the bride wrote on her comment card – “Everything was elegant, yet laid back.” What a compliment! We hope others will take advantage of this unique experience, perhaps when having a wedding at Reeds Mill Church (www.reedsmillchurch.org).

We have really been enjoying all the wildlife this spring. There is a pair of Phoebes that returned to a nest they built last year in the eave of the front porch. This morning, the 3 babies are nearly as big as the parents and will be leaving ‘home’ anytime now. There are also Tree Swallows in a box that was used by the same type of bird last year. The humming birds have a few more feeders around this year, so we don't have 8 at once at the feeder by the kitchen window. But all the feeders empty quickly! In late May we were treated to a momma bear and her cub at the bird feeder in the back yard. David sneaked outside to take photos. She got tired of the flash and started to charge him. He jumped at her, which stopped her short – just long enough for him to skedaddle back into the house. Of course NONE of the pictures came out, so you'll just have to take our word for it!

We hope you are having as much fun as we are this Spring! We have some guests coming from the far ends of the country. We'd love to see you, too!

Ginni and David Robie