

Trip to Visit Jill in NH

Last May (2018), Jill embarked on a new adventure... Travel Nurse in the Intensive Care Unit at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital in Hanover, NH. Ruth and I visited Jill for her (and Glenn's and Harold's) birthday.



We spent the first night in Rome, NY as we planned to take Old Route #8 across the

Adirondack Mountains...a slow but beautiful trip. It was worth the extra time it took as the leaves were just starting to turn to those beautiful Fall colors.

We arrived at Jill's place mid-afternoon and immediately took a long hike around one part of Lake Eastman where she lives. Her condo was great and we could see immediately why she was so happy to be living there. Jill shares the condo with Tawnie Crocker, from Oregon, who is a Travel Nurse like Jill.





The first evening, we visited friends of Jill's in Lime, NH, where she had spent the first few months of this assignment.

The next morning, we headed for Portland, MA, one of Jill's favorite places. It was a several hour drive over rolling land and through small New England villages. Portland is wonderful place to visit...a small/large city of nearly 70,000 residents but home to half a million folks in the greater metropolitan area. A sea port city which accommodates thousands of cruise visitors and a thriving business community. The streets near the harbor are home to hundreds of shops and restaurants. We met folks from all over



the world as we shopped and dined. Harold Alan and I people-watched and talked to folks who wanted to know Harold's breed). Lunch included lobster rolls on the water front.



The first night we had drinks on the waterfront...then clams and shrimp! Ruth was in seventh heaven.

Our second day in Portland, we (they) shopped and shopped and shopped for Jill's birthday present, which turned out to be a new leather purse/backpack. After a late bakery breakfast, we headed back to Grantham, NH...another long hike and then dinner at the famous Simon Pearce glass factory and restaurant in Vermont.

While waiting on a table, we were able to watch glass blowers ply their trade. It was fascinating...and the artists talked to us about what they were doing as they worked. Ruth and Jill said that their dinners were the best they had ever eaten. I went with soup, a shrimp appetizer and dessert...a very wise move. The dessert was for Jill's birthday...we ordered one and they gave us two.





The Birthday Girl and where she lives...for now!

All good things must end...so we headed home the next morning with many great memories of our trip to celebrate Jill's and Harold Alan's birthdays (September 16) and Glenn's (September 10).

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