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Wow! 50 years is a long time. so maybe a decade by decade summary? Let's see...

The 60's

A year at Uvic, 3 years at the Jubilee - and Voila!..I'm a nurse

Learn to make "chili". Eat a lot of it..

Drive to Tofino on gravel roads

5 girls sharing a 2 bedroom apartment? No problem since we all work different shifts.

Prepare to leave town...LIFE AWAITS!

The 70's

Off to London England by CPR boat

Work in Intensive Care in England, Edmonton and Vancouver

Back to school at UBC to get my BScN

Living in basement suites..hot plates, furniture made of bricks, boards and Indian cotton bedspreads

So many adventures..

Buy a house in Kitsilano for \$64,000

Entertain on big cushions, sitting on the floor..

The 80's

Work in Community Mental Health

Dim-Sum lunches with co-workers

Wreck Beach on the weekends

So many wonderful friends

Sample most of Vancouver's restaurants, listen to a lot of Early Music, eat a lot of sushi!

Carry a mortgage at 20%...Share the house with a lot of tenants...

The 90's



Decide that 43 is just the right age to become a mother...Adopt my baby daughter in Peru

Remortgage my house 3 times to stay home for a year and a half

Juggle daycare, full-time work and mothering

Saturday mornings at Granville Island..the mom's with coffee, the kids feeding pigeons

Sell my house and move back to Victoria to work part-time in Psychiatric Intensive Care

The 2000's

Continue my intimate relationship with playgrounds, homework and McDonald's restaurants

Become the main breadwinner for cats, dogs, guinea pigs and rabbits

Take a number of trips back to Peru with my daughter

Decide that 36 years is long enough to be a nurse with rheumatoid arthritis

Get heavily into drugs, while my teenager makes all the right choices

Feel like a proud and grateful mom



The 2010's

Strange how all that boring old family history is called "genealogy" and becomes a fascinating hobby

I go to bed early and get up early, and drink 2 cups of coffee every morning!

I walk a lot [Thank you Mr. Roche!]

My garden is happy, the dog is very happy, the cat is about as happy as she has ever been..

I still have the mortgage, but not at 20%.so what the heck..

I meet old friends regularly for coffee..it's so good to be able to "remember back when"

HOW CAN 50 YEARS GO BY SO FAST??

I am working on living in the moment and looking forward to seeing everyone in July!