



Linda and John Flakes April 15, 2016 Portia's 1st CIA Graduation



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Covered Bridges, & Longwood Gardens



Our youngest granddaughter graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York on April 15, 2016 with her 1st degree. She is a magnificent chef and doing what makes her happy. What more is there to say except we are very proud of her. She cooks almost as well as her grandmother.













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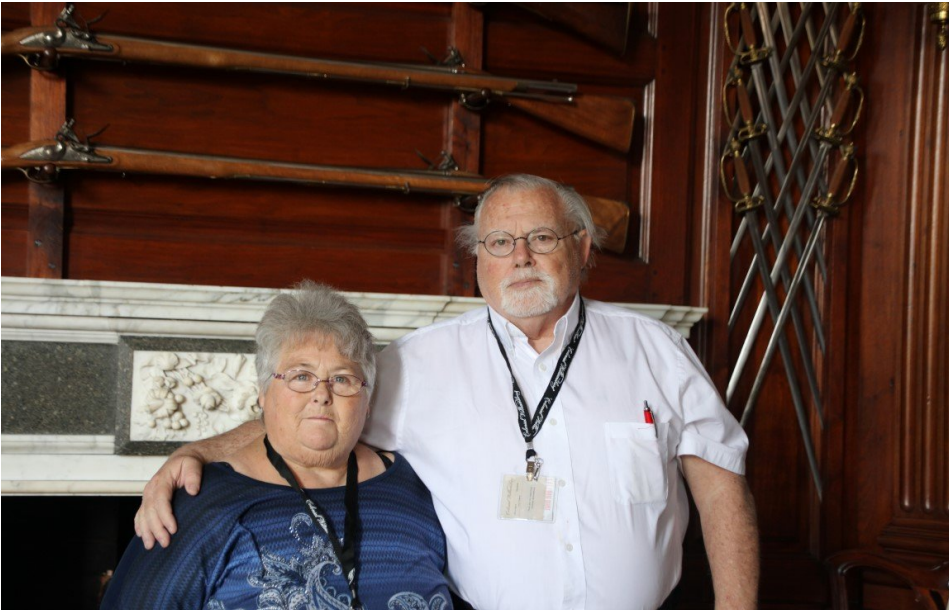






Colonial Williamsburg was a visit that we enjoyed as much for being pampered as the place itself. The actors also NEVER stopped being their character from Colonial Days. The food was great and the hospitality was better. We really enjoyed our room, the nice gift we received, the Witch Trial and everything we did here.

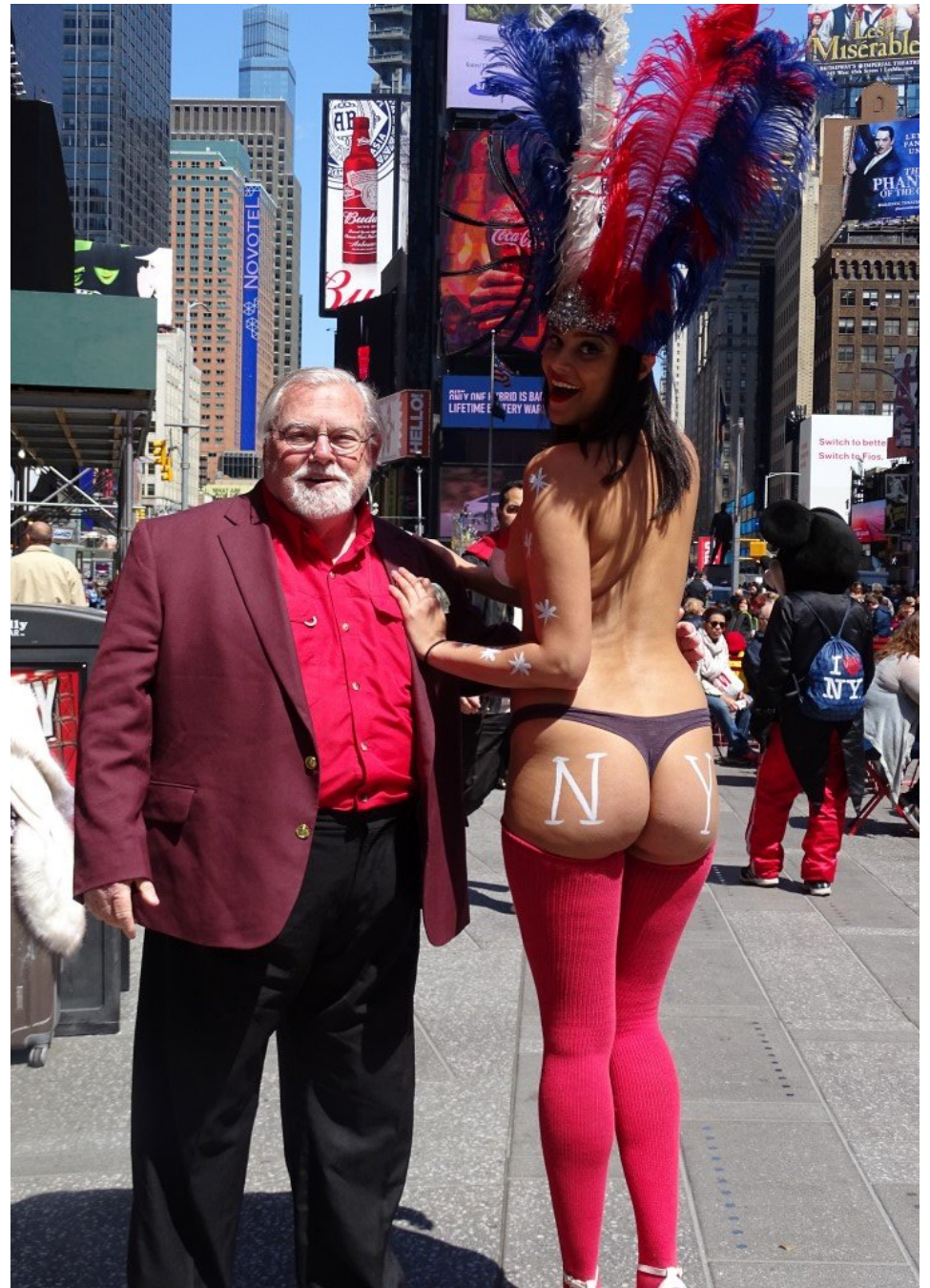




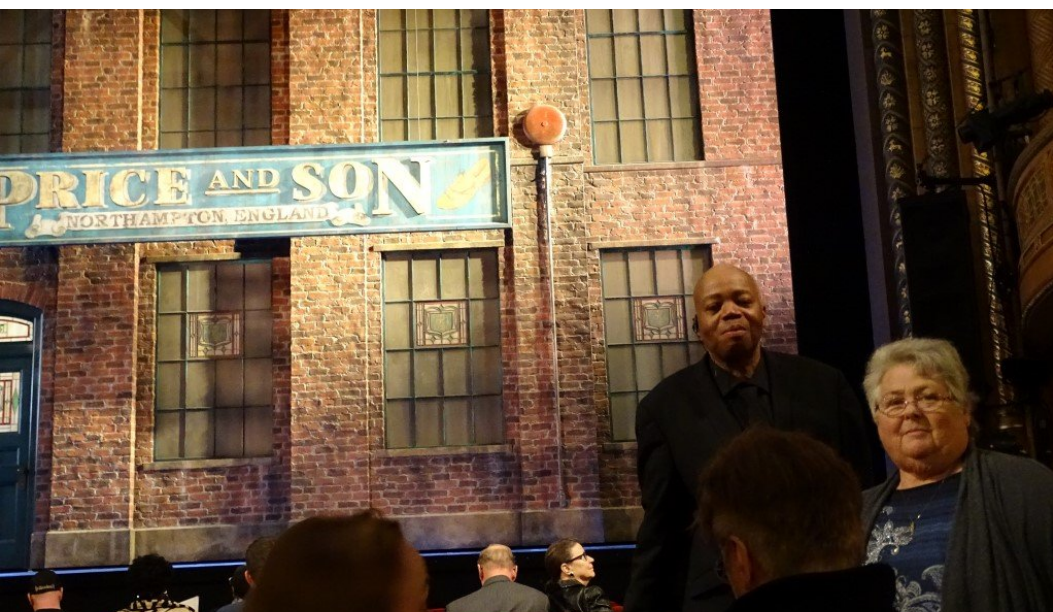




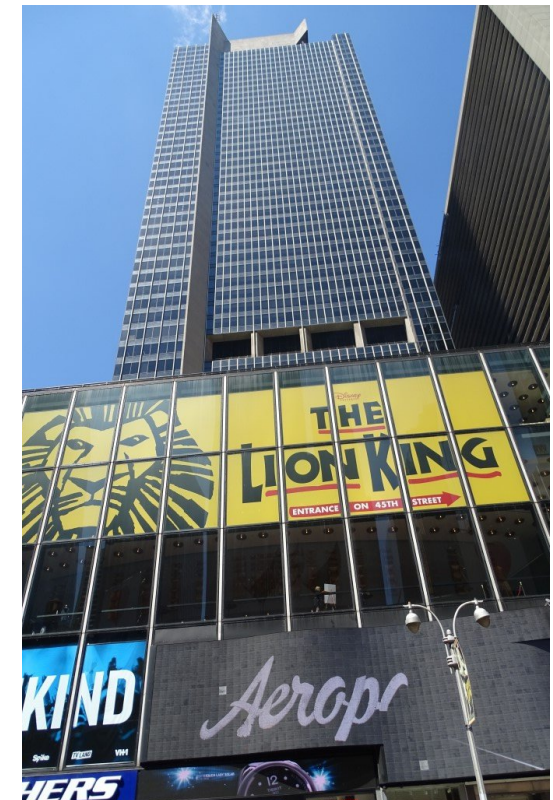




New York City for a Day! We went to "Kinky Boots" which was incredible. We also went to "An American in Paris" which was beautifully done and very enjoyable. Linda paid this woman \$5 to have her picture taken with mine! Very much fun!

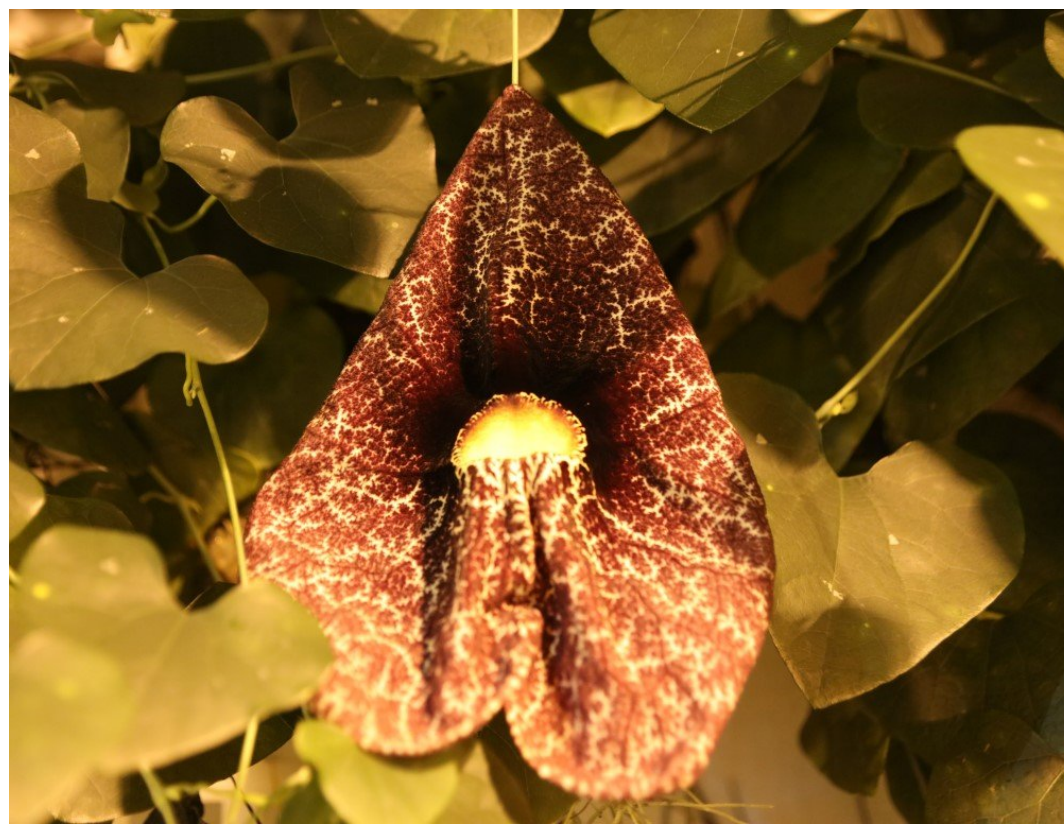
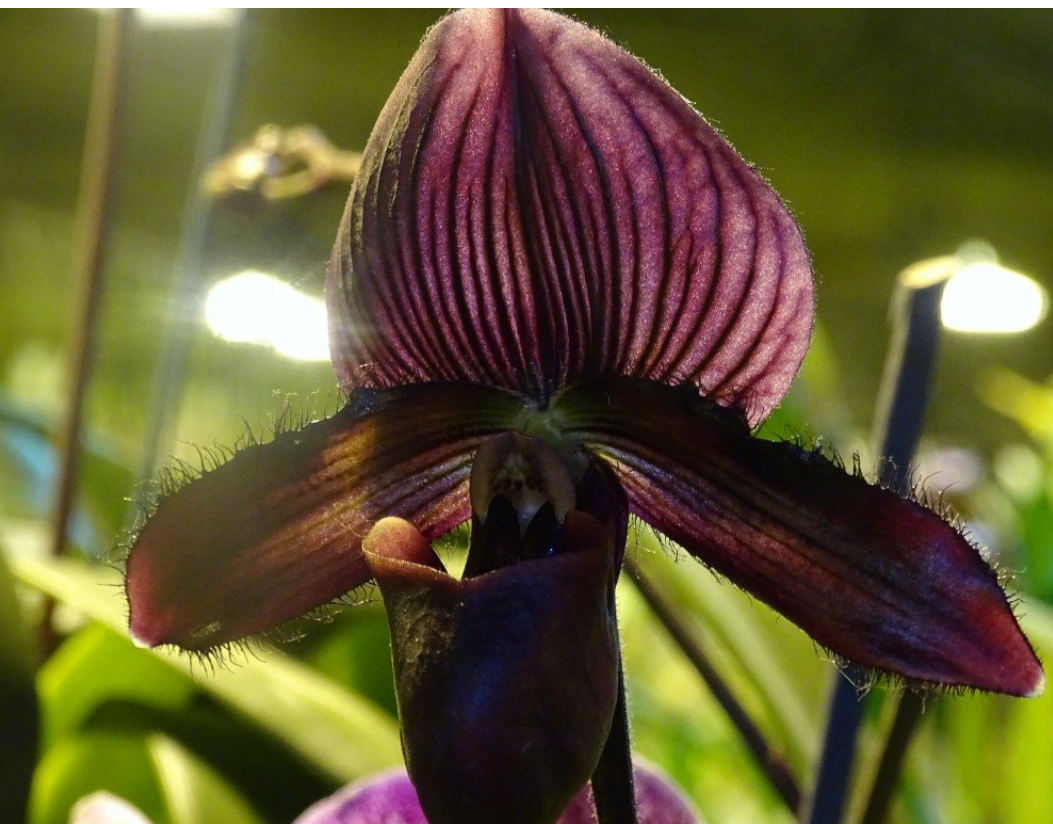




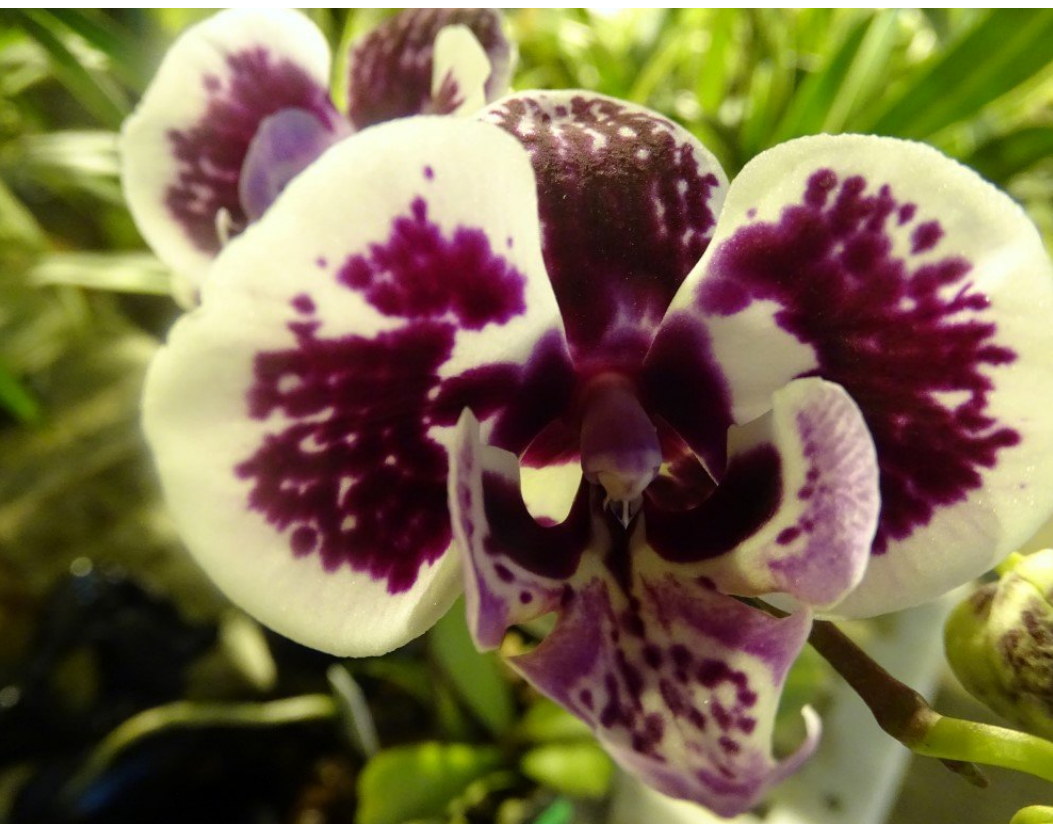




Bird's Orchids in a huge underground cave in Kansas City. The lighting was all strange and I did not correct because I wanted to show the flowers as we saw them.



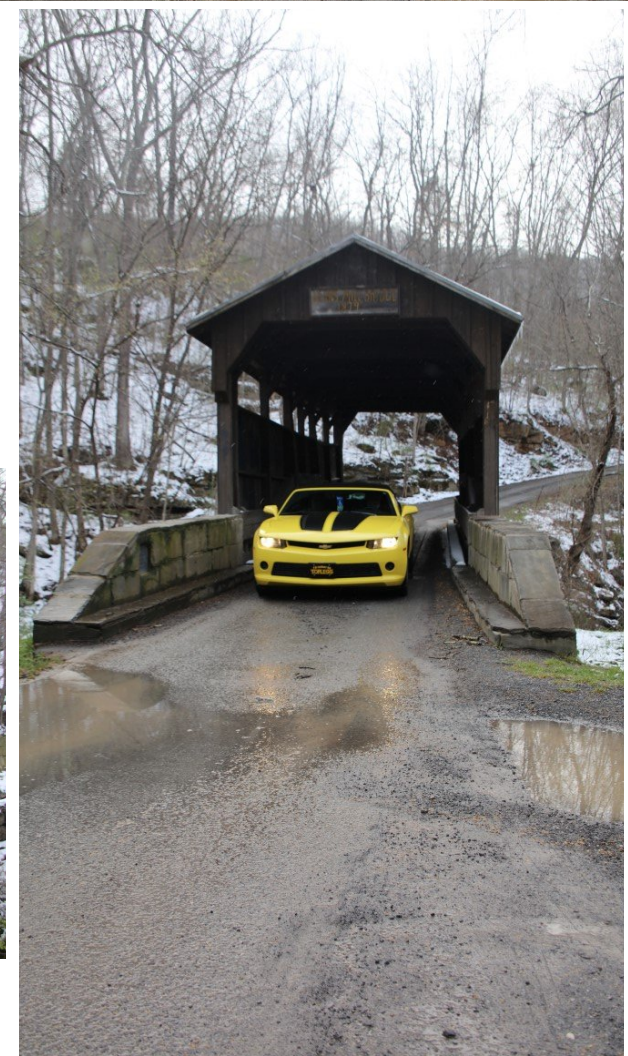








"The Humpback Bridge" This is one of only two such bridges left in the world and the other one is in China. This one is near Lewisberg, WV. We thought it was the most special of all the covered bridges we saw this trip.











We stopped near Terra Haute, Indiana and visited 9 covered bridges. See if you can tell them apart!







Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia

Wow! This is a conservatory to rival any in the world. Just beautiful!!







