

Shopping Spree for the Non-Techs on Tech Day

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As an alternative to Tech Day for us non-techs, we came up with a delightful idea: a day of shopping and eating! What could be better than that???

A congenial group of Miata women met at the Pine Cone Travel Center in Johnson Creek to start our day with a hearty meal before the hard work of hunting at the shopping mall next door. After having our fill of coffee, eggs Benedict, salads, corned beef hash, carrot-cake muffins and whatever, we split up to go shopping.

We drove across the parking lot to the Johnson Creek Premium Outlet Mall for an afternoon of discount shopping at Coach, Ann Taylor, Calvin Klein, Bath & Body, Famous Footware, Gap, Old Navy, Skechers, Dress Barn, Talbot's, Tommy Hilfiger, Toys R Us, Zales, Bose, Corning Ware, Lindt's, Harry & David and much more!!!

I hit the jackpot finding 2 lovely cocktail dresses, a pair of jeans, some bling, a pair of Skechers and 75 Lindt truffles (oh, my!). Others were equally successful with their hunts.

All that shopping and walking store-to-store worked up our appetites, so at 5:00 pm we drove across the street to Highway Harry's Steakhouse. Several of our significant others joined us, as well as a new member couple. Harry's had set up a private room for us, which opened onto the patio where we imbibed under the beautiful, warm evening sky before the meal. Inside, Harry's dinner selection included steaks, sandwiches, burgers, salads, fish, Italian dishes, and of course cocktails!

A wonderful time was had by all, and the ladies are already planning their next excursion!