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# TRI CITY BRIDGE

## What's New?





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- Laura Smith and Carol Hara 83.33% on 10-30, 3 tables
- Ted Freeman and Karen Warwick 71.9% on 10-9, 4 tables
- Valerie Albi and Neale Ward 69.84% on 10-3, 4 tables
- Claudia Kemper and Kirk Roberts 70% on 10-5, 3 tables

### **Hurrah!**

Six tables on 11-28-23!



is an accordion and piano playing musician and nurse.

She grew up on a farm, with two younger brothers and an older half sister. Her earliest years were lived in Santa Rosa on a huge chicken farm (18K chickens).

She learned to play the accordion at age four and a couple years later advanced to the piano.



The family moved to Williams in 1966 to raise Chinchillas. She attended High School in Grants Pass and graduated Nursing School in Nebraska in 1975

Items of interest: She has played semi professionally in a couple of bands, had a crazy boyfriend in 1975 when she graduated NS, and had a crazy husband from '81-'83 in Sonoma CA. (Hmmm)

She returned to Williams in 94, and the next year met someone from Brookings who played the accordion so she commuted to Brookings for the week-ends until 2003 when he passed away.

Karen moved to Brookings full time after retiring from nursing management in 2011, thus ending a 36 year career.

She has one relative in the area, a Cousin who lives in Port Orford.

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#### Board:

Kirk Roberts, President; Steve Prokop, Vice President; Valerie Albi, Secretary; Loretta Keesee, Treasurer; Sandra

#### Schedule

Chetco Activity Center Tuesdays & Thursdays at 12:30 PM

Game events TBA Please arrive by 12:15 PM

Newcomer Game - Mondays at 1:00, arrive by 12:45



A special thanks to Laura and Carol for the November festive table of treats!

## Thanks!

To all the club members who arrive early to shuffle cards and set up tables and chairs!

To Jack and Debbie Grasham for managing the club! And to our scorekeepers: Steve, Carol & Laura!

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If you have suggestions or ideas on content or format please submit to any of the Board members or to your editor, Sandra Waddle.

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Karen first met her partner, Ted 15 years ago while playing Pinochle with his mother; so after a few months of learning Bridge without a regular partner, from October of 2022, she invited Ted to join her in January of 2023.

In September the fledgling competitor couple entered the Seaside tournament and took 1st overall in their category - the 199rs. Way to go!

In addition to playing Bridge, Pinochle, and the piano, Karen enjoys painting with acrylics - just for fun; and she and her black lab, Rizzo both enjoy swimming in the Chetco.

Karen, we are so glad you retired in Brookings and found your way to the Bridge Club!

## THANK YOU

Kirk Roberts for your ongoing patience, good humor, and excellent management of the bridge tables and boards.

Our club is fortunate to have your leadership and directorial skills!



## **December Birthdays:**

Claudia Kemper and Kevin Lewis

