

TRI CITY BRIDGE

What's New?

Next Board Meeting

7-29-23, submit agenda items for consideration to any Board members.

Tournament Seaside end of September

= or >70%:

- ♦ *Valerie Albi and Carol Hara*
70%, on 6-5, 3 tables
- ♦ *Steve Prokop & Kevin*
Lewis 77% on 5-23 6 tables,
76% on 6-1, 5 tables and
73% on 6-8, 4 tables
- ♦ *Bill & Sandra Waddle* 77%
on 6-13, 4 1/2 tables,
- ♦ *Jack Grasham and Kevin*
Lewis 72% on 5-30 5 tables

Thanks! **Carol Hara** for the drinks and continuous supply of candy and **Kevin Lewis** for the ice cream treats on 6-13

Carol
The first thing one notices

about Carol is the energy she brings into the room. Perhaps her Italian heritage (her maternal grandparents immigrated from Italy) is a contributing factor. She was born in New York and grew up on the East Coast with two brothers and one sister.

Her father was a contractor so the family moved around a bit but she attended fifth grade through High School in Norfolk, Virginia.

Carol married young and like many young marriages, it didn't work out but it did get her out to the West Coast. She married a second time and had her son and daughter. When that marriage ended she moved back to New York but hated it (too much snow) and returned to the nice warm San Joaquin Valley of California. She studied to be a private investigator taking classes at her local JC, College of the Sequoias.

As a single Mom she established a successful Nail business (as in finger). Although her business was thriving, it did not offer the benefits or security she needed to raise her family; so when a friend gave her an application for a government job she took that leap.

Carol landed the job - Prison Guard at the maximum facility in Corcoran. After eight years she promoted to Correctional Counselor over 200 inmates. An important responsibility of her advanced position was preparing written reports on her inmates for parole board consideration.



Board:

Kirk Roberts, President; Steve Prokop, Vice President

Valerie Albi, Secretary; Loretta Keesee, Treasurer

Sandra Waddle, Member at Large.

Schedule

Chetco Activity Center
Tuesdays & Thursdays at
12:30 PM

Game events TBA Please
arrive by 12:15 PM

Newcomer Games -
Mondays at 1:00

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!.*

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on content or format please
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members or to your editor,
Sandra Waddle.

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Verifying the old adage -three's a charm, Carol got it right with her current husband, Tom Akin whom she met on the job (No - he was not an inmate). He was actually her supervisor and she says she didn't even like him at first but he eventually won her over.

After her 15 year and his 27 year career they both retired in 2014, sold their house, packed up their 5th wheel and took to the road. They landed a terrific gig in Branson Missouri where they managed an RV park reaping free tickets to all the concerts. Wow!

They continued to work, camped at various parks including Turtle Rock in Gold Beach - two different stints, Pismo for two years, Yosemite several summers, and the Delta in Northern California. They loved their travels and the various jobs but finally decided to settle down and actually retire; so having visited the Oregon Coast and fallen in love with the area, they bought a house in Brookings.

Tom bought a fishing boat, so he is out on the water as much as possible. Carol joined TriCity Bridge just two years ago and jumped right in learning the computer scoring application and helping set up for the games. In addition to playing duplicate bridge, Carol expresses her creativity through various craft projects - painting, quilting and sewing . Her favorite things to paint are sand dollars, wine bottles and rocks. Carol is a very pleasant, very welcome addition to the TriCity Bridge Club.



June & July Birthdays:

Valerie Albi,

Glenda Groff,

Betty McCormick,

and Karen Warwick .

