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TRI CITY BRIDGE

What's New?

= or > 70%:

- Pat Pedrick & Larry Krause, 75% on 10-22, 5 tables
- Sandra & Bill Waddle, 72.9% on 11-14, 4 1/2 tables
- Tara Riffle & Kirk Roberts, 73.3% on 11-9, 6 tables
- Tara Riffle & Kirk Roberts, 78.47% on 11-21, 5 tables & 78% on 12-26, 3 tables
- Gary Stromberg & Kirk Roberts, 76.11% on 1-21, 6 tables

Fun Bridge

Winners on 11-22: Jeff - 1st, Sandra - 2nd, Gail - dimes and Bill - trophy, last trick with a 2. Winners on 1-17:

Annual Christmas partypotluck/Bridge session was held on 12-13 at the CAC, was well attended and enjoyed by all.





& Gail

moved from Marysville, Washington to Brookings in 2022 to be near Gail's daughter and grandsons, ages three and nine months. Gail had recently undergone open heart surgery and what better way to heal the heart than enjoy time grandmothering.



The following year Gail saw a TriCity Bridge club flyer announcing free lessons to be offered that Spring. (Way to go Team Grasham!) We are happy the couple discovered our club, so let's get better acquainted.

Gail and Jim attended the same High School in Anaheim, CA but went their separate ways. Jim immediately joined the US Navy, spending three of his four year stint based in Hawaii. (Tough but someone had to do it!) His job tracking Russian subs was of course highly classified at the time.

Leaving his Navy career behind and tired of frequenting bars for female companionship, Jim stumbled upon a roller rink dance special, noticing and appreciating the girls' short skating outfits. Discovering the favorable ratio of 4-5 females for every male skater, he got into skating and turned pro in 1985 competing until he entered college where he financed his college tuition teaching roller skating.

He worked as a Design Engineer for a now defunct company called B/E Aerospace and returned to school for a Mechanical Engineering Degree, hoping that advancement would enable less traveling and moving around. It didn't.

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Board:

President, Sandra Waddle; Vice President, Judie Piscitello; Secretary, Valerie Albi; Treasurer, Debbie Grasham, & Member at Large, Carol Akin

Schedule

Chetco Activity Center Tuesdays & Thursdays at **12:30** PM

Game events TBA Please arrive by 12:15 PM

Newcomer Game - Mondays at 2:00, arrive by 1:45

Thanks!

To all the club members who arrive early to set up and stay after to tear down tables and chairs!

To Jack and Debbie Grasham for managing and nurturing the growth of the club!.

Your Newsletter

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

Visit our website: tricitybridge.com for the latest photos and updates.

The couple reunited 19 years ago (Interesting story - ask them about it!) and Jim's work continued to require frequent moves, the most exotic - Dubai for a year, and training in England along with several domestic moves, the last being to WA. 11 years ago.

As for Gail, she retired from a career in finance, and consequently, now volunteers as a financial secretary for the Emblem Club. She is also active in the Elks; but her passion, as stated earlier is her grandchildren and her therapy is quilting. (Ask Jim to show photos of her amazing quilts!) She loves travel but has not been able to do much of that lately. She also loves Brookings and is enjoying a quiet life with family and friends.

Jim enjoys playing Bridge several times a week while Gail not quite as much.

The couple adopted two cats from the local shelter - Patches, a 1 1/2 year old

calico and Sam, a blue eyed Siamese.



Special Thanks!

To Judie, Pat, Carol, and Larry for working the arduous task of computer score keeping!

To Kirk for his continuous Directorship!.

December, January & February Birthdays

Ted Freeman, Larry Krause, Yerma Bernard, Neale Ward



Happy 100th Warren

