## Carole O'Brien

## Becomers Mystery Person of the week - August 26, 2007

### Wild Side

Rode a mechanical bull at Gilley's Saloon in Pasadena, Tex

Had a fetish when I was 8 years old. Wore red cowboy boots and a red cowboy hat everywhere, even to school.

Taught sex for 4 years - lots of experience... . Was a facilitator at Cerritos College in Human Sexuality & Aging

Been in jail in LA..... with the Becomers and in Alcatraz on a tour and got locked in a cell.

Had hair you could sit on.

Loves speed..... Rides Motorcycles and Dune Buggies, drives a speed boat, likes fast cars

Has ridden in a hot air balloon....in Washington state.

Rode in a no door helicopter in Hawaii...really exciting

Loves to ride horseback and go sailing

Played powder puff football in High School

Was a John Robert Power's model in High School... teacher was Mrs. Tex Ritter (John Ritter's mother)

Was a fashion consultant for 17 Magazine white in High School

Lives in her kid's home... inherited from their dad...the home I live in Laguna Woods

Ran a halfway house for kids out of her home in the 70's

Started an Al Anon "Fun Bunch" group in Monterey. Started with 6 people ...in three years had 200 people

Taught classes for "Women who love to much"

Trademark...-Known for her smile and love of people

#### Normal info

Born in Alhambra, CA ... May 31,1938

Only child for my mother, Nell, who was a one room school house teacher, then a bookkeeper... died 1991 My dad, John, was an architect, inventor..... Had one daughter, Francis by 1st wife....... then I was his second child.... then he married again in 1954 and I got two step-sisters, Jean and Janice. Dad died in 1990

I lived in Alhambra, San Gabriel, and Downey while in school. Then went to Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa

In 19581 married Ron O'Brien and that marriage lasted until 1977. We remained friends the rest of his life. He died in 1999. Together we had four lovely daughters.

Ronda (48) no children ...lives in Kent, Washington

Coleen (47) widowed, has two daughters ....lives in Apple Valley, CA

Kirn (45) married to Roger, has three children 2 boys and one girl.,...lives 80 mites south of St Louis, Mo

Maureen (42) married to Graig, has one boy and one daughter... lives in Apple Valley, CA Helped raise two other kids. Vicki and Tom

1 have 7 grandkids 4 girls / 3 boys .....ages 24 to 11 years..... What a joy.

I have a wonderful dog-.-.DeDee, she is a Jindo from So Korea .-...I have 4 grand dogs and one grand cat

1 have returned to college many times, attending Orange Coast College, Cerritos College and Rio Hondo College, majoring in Psychology / minor in Business

Worked over 40 years —7 yrs owning a Tastee Freez and 23 years with Certified Grocers, ..retired Dec 1999

Work with kids. Run support groups, Volunteer, but most of alt enjoy my family, friends, church and of course the wonderful Becomer's class.

# Words I live by Live Love Laugh

I LIVE each day making it a special day. Thanking God for each new day and by doing his work

I LOVE God, he's my best friend. My love for my family and friends makes life so precious...! am blessed

I LAUGH each day. It takes the edge off of the rough spots along the way.

### My favorite sayings

"Do not go where the path my lead... Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail"... Emerson

"Never, never, never give up"

"Things happen for a reason...Just believe"

"Life is not remembered by the number of breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away"

"Life is not a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safety in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up. totally worn out, and proclaiming, 'Wow, what a ride!'"