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Once, Twice, Three Times a Teacher

Natives of Buffalo, New York, David and Kathleen (above right, teaching school) moved to the Orlando area in 1993.

While retirement life suited David, it was a different story for Kathleen. Memories of her long and satisfying career as a math teacher still called to her.

Before you could say "trigonometry," Kathleen was substitute teaching, a job which quickly turned into a full-time position teaching Advanced Placement (AP) calculus and economics.

Fast-forward about 18 years. Kathleen formally retires from the Orlando area school district; she and David move to Lake County and Waterman Village.

Yet school still called to Kathleen, so she returned a third time to her beloved career. Tutoring at a local private school quickly turned into a fulltime teaching position in 2012.

"I can't imagine doing anything else with my life," Kathleen says.

"I see how much she loves it, and I'm out in the community volunteering, so how could I say no?" David adds with a smile.

It's a career she never anticipated. Born and raised in Buffalo, Kathleen excelled in numbers and economics, and originally dreamed of a career in the stock market. But her dreams changed at 19 when asked to substitute teach for a fourth grade class for just one day.



"I'll never forget how rewarding it felt, being able to make a difference with the children," she says.

Goodbye Dow Jones, hello chalk and erasers.

Decades later, Kathleen's passion for teaching continues unabated. She has even had her granddaughter as one of her students.

"I just love being around the kids!" Kathleen says. "It's a really nice way to spend the day."

Kathleen recently retired from her teaching position at Mount Dora Christian Academy and is currently volunteering in the Waterman Village Facilities Services department, assisting our Construction Coordinator.

What is her secret for success at this stage of life?

"Don't think of yourself as being retired. It will come at a later date," Kathleen says. "I

don't feel that old. I don't think of age. I keep focused on what I want to do for the day, what things I'm going to be teaching."

"I have a hard time when people say 'senior citizen," she adds. Just be who you are, do what you can do, and enjoy it."

Pastoral Care: Devoted to Spiritual Wellness

It is the purpose and privilege of the Chaplain's Department to offer ourselves in words, acts and relationship, caring for residents and employees so that they might experience the reality of God's presence and love. We offer pastoral care through visitation, spiritual programming and participation in the shaping of a caring community.

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To achieve optimal health, we are devoted to promoting the spiritual wellness of our residents, their families, employees and community.



Standing: Jodie Howell, Alan Jones, and Veronica Moore. Seated: Susan Blake (and her dog Dee Dee) and Sharon Exum

Research reveals that an active faith enhances coping ability and life quality, and residents are encouraged to exercise their faith.

A Chaplain is available daily for prayer, to listen, to be a friend, for a spiritual guidance and to discuss any problem. We also provide:

- The Garden of Life Fellowship Hall, which is open at all times for meditation and prayer
- · Bible studies, devotions and musical meditations
- An interdenominational service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
- · A weekly Hymn Sing and Bible Sharing in the Edgewater
- Focused prayer and anointing in time of special need and in-home communion
- Transportation to an area church
- · Memorial Services at the request of residents or family
- · An annual Community Memorial Service
- A Memorial Garden



Take me out to the ballgame ... It looked like a great evening for the **Leesburg Lightning** ball game as we all piled on the bus. Little did we know the game may be called off because of "**Lightning**?" Imagine that. Well, you can't keep the baseball fans from having fun!



Waterman Village staff Margaret (left) and Jeff (far right), on hand at a local 4th of July event, sponsored by Waterman Village.



m n Demolition of the Waterman Village Residential Living Information Center and Human Resource offices is underway. This will make way for a new residential living duplex home to be built this summer. Once complete, we are excited to welcome one couple from California and one couple from Virginia.

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