

## **MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS!**

Our club keeps growing! I am going to introduce you to two new members this month: Evelyn Sandusky and Kathleen Donner.

**Evelyn Sandusky** is our newest member, having just joined GHWC in March. She has had a home in the Front Street Village for five years where she lives with her partner and her dog. Evelyn has another home near Ocean City, Maryland and prior to that, she lived in Baltimore County, Maryland. Evelyn's former work was in Human Resources but that was then and this is now!

Now – Evelyn's favorite thing to do "is just relaxing and sitting by my pool." Who could blame her? Palm Coast/Grand Haven worked its magic once again! What attracted Evelyn to this area? She said, "The beautiful scenery and being close to the beach. I also have a good friend who lives here."

What bugs Evelyn about living here? "How crazy the drivers are on the streets." Uh, yes, we have probably all noticed that as well. What would Evelyn like her new neighbors to know about her? She answered, "I look forward to making new friends and participating in activities." No sweat, Evelyn, that's what Grand Haven is all about! Welcome to the neighborhood!

**Kathleen Donner** attended her first meeting as a member of GHWC in February, her picture was in the March newsletter, and we get to meet her in the April newsletter! Kathleen is a part-time resident of Grand Haven who lives with her partner, Brian, on Marlin, near the front gate when she is in Florida, and she lives in Toms River, New Jersey the rest of the time. She has lived in Grand Haven since 2020.

Kathleen was widowed in 2006 when she lived in Lewes, Delaware. She then moved to New Jersey, but was friends with Jeanine Horwitz, one of our GHWC members. Kathleen said, "During Covid, my friend Jeanine and I talked often. She was in Grand Haven and I was in New Jersey. I was going crazy in my house, and she was biking, going to exercise classes outdoors, eating in restaurants outdoors, and basically enjoying life. I told her to find me a house!" Kathleen adds, "I never regretted my decision."

Kathleen and her partner, Brian, moved to Grand Haven together. "We have made this our second home, coming back and forth from New Jersey."

Kathleen was a teacher of the handicapped, an Early Childhood Specialist, and a Supervisor for a Board of Education for districts in NJ. She said she misses teaching, but not the commute! No more commuting in Palm Coast for this lady. She said, "We enjoy the beaches that are free. We like to bike and walk the intracoastal. We like the proximity of Palm Coast to other areas of Florida." Kathleen also likes the fact that Grand Haven is an established community, not a start-up. She is not so crazy about the Oak trees that line the streets "leaving a mess on the driveway and the roots destroy our sidewalks." She adds, "If that is all we have to complain about, we are lucky!"

Kathleen's final words to me, "I told my friend Jeanine now that she introduced us to Palm Coast and Grand Haven, please shush. Let's keep it our secret paradise!" Lots of people feel exactly the same way, Kathleen! Welcome to paradise!

We are happy to meet our new members, Evelyn and Kathleen!

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