

## **Mary Anderson Bio**

President Mary Anderson has been with the Hometown Civitan Club for four years. Her father had been an active member of a Civitan Club in Montgomery County, MD. This is how she previously came to know



about the Civitan organization before joining The Villages Hometown Club. Many of Mary's friends and neighbors are members and got her to join Hometown, then was asked to take on the role of President for the 2020-2021 year.

Mary and husband Bob moved to The Villages (Collier) from Olney, MD, in January 2014 after living in the Maryland suburbs of Washington, DC, where she primarily grew up for most of her life. Mary also briefly lived in Puerto Rico and in Virginia Beach, VA, with her family as a young girl. Mary and Bob have been married over 41 years. They have 3 sons and 2 granddaughters.

Mary worked in the Division of Computer Research & Technology at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD., where she was the assistant to the head Chief of User Services and office manager. She received many awards. Her artwork was selected to be featured on a cover of the "Interface" technical publication. After taking a pause in her career to raise her children, her final job before retiring was as a customer consultant for the SunBox Company in Gaithersburg, MD, which manufactures therapeutic artificial sunlight boxes for people who suffer with Seasonal Affective Disorder.

Mary has received accolades for her artistic talents and crafts endeavors and has won awards for her artworks including a blue ribbon award from the Montgomery County Fair in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Particularly, her Zentangle artworks have been on display at the Laurel Manor recreation center's yearly exhibit shows. She participates in many clubs including The Prime Time Twirlers, which performs at many Villages celebrations and parades. Mary enjoys interacting with people and enjoys The Village's arts and crafts activities. Mary has been twirling with The Villages Prime Time Twirlers performance group for many years. She also loves cruising, traveling and playing Mahjongg and other games.