

Meet Lucy Pousho! Lucy is the Vice President of the Pickleball Club. In 2017, Lucy moved to the Villages with Jerry, her husband of 53 years. They came from Fremont via Santa Barbara, where they raised three children. Lucy had a career as a medical technologist doing research in pharmaceutical toxicology prior to becoming a systems analyst/programmer for Raytheon.

Lucy's introduction to Pickleball started In1978, when following a fellowship in Seattle, Jerry returned home with a Pickleball set. He poured concrete stanchions for the net, drew a chalk court, and played pickleball in the streets! Back then, the paddles were wooden with holes drilled in them. Friends and neighbors participated with tournaments and trophy awards. It was all for fun, not taken quite as seriously as we do.

There was no place to play in Fremont, so after a 30-year hiatus, Lucy is happy to be back on the courts. She currently plays several times a week with 3 regular groups of friends and in the Intermediate instructional play group. Lucy recommends it as a nice way to meet people, learn other people's styles of playing and serving, and play with new people!

Last year, Lucy served as our Sunshine representative, reaching out to injured or sick players. She also sings with the Village Voices where she serves as treasurer, is the "welcome wagon" for del Lago, and volunteers with the VMA. When I asked why she accepted the position of VP, she responded it was a "moment of insanity" with a smile and a laugh. She sees it as a way to be more involved and informed. She's having so much fun that it's the least she can do to contribute to keep it going.