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| **Meet Vera Bacon**  *by Kathleen Jamison*  Thanks to a murder mystery dinner at the Safety Harbor Library and the chance meeting with Friendship Force member Laura Wilson, we are lucky to be welcoming Vera Bacon to the club. (That's a reminder that word of mouth about FFI is the best way to increase our membership.)    "Laura invited me to come to the spring picnic, and I'm so glad she did. I am very happy to be making so many new friends," Vera says. "It's always been my dream to travel, so I'm looking forward to that part of Friendship Force."  It didn't take her long to become an active member, putting her years of work in the printing business to use helping with publications for the Vancouver club visit and volunteering to bring a dessert to their farewell party.    Vera was born and raised in Rochester, New York, living there for 74 years until she moved to Florida six years ago. "My daughter Coreen moved to North Carolina and my son David moved to St. Pete. I wasn't going to be left behind up there," she laughs. She now lives with David and his family in Safety Harbor. |

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