Jane Schudel

I was born in Lima, Ohio and graduated from Lima Senior High School. I attended Ohio State University, receiving a B.S. Ed with a major in Mathematics and a minor in music (flute). I was fortunate to have two outstanding math education professors there – Dr. Harold Fawcett and Dr. Nathan Shapiro, who were both excellent mathematicians and inspiring teachers. We came to Regina in 1964, and since I was married to a music professor, who was also a performing musician, I found music became my field also. I joined the Regina Symphony in 1965 and retired in 2005. I have also taught flute privately, at summer camps and clinics. I have played for Summer Stage, Lyric Light Opera, Globe Theater, Saskatchewan Opera, and CBC.

I have found
that my
studies in
MATHEMATICS
have imposed
a discipline
that helps in
music. I was
able to
analyze
rhythms and
forms
quickly.

Before we came to Regina, I taught Math in Cincinnati, Lima, and Ann Arbor. Michigan. While I was teaching in Lima, I was given the opportunity to teach a couple of courses at the OSU branch. In Ann Arbor they were using the new School Mathematics Study Group program, and I found teaching their programs interesting and exciting. They used four levels of abilities, and all the groups were challenged.



Jane Schudel on the left, her husband Thomas, and their daughter, Emily.

When teaching students . . .

I have found that using basic arithmetic helped young beginners learn note values and meters. As they become more advanced, using these same techniques works. The School Mathematics Study Group tries to teach students to figure things out for themselves more, and I try to use these techniques in my private teaching.

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