

Meet the Chaperones

CONNECTICUT SCIENCE FAIR & SCIENCE HORIZONS
at the
INTEL INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR
Los Angeles, California, May 8 - 13



ISEF Week Coordinator

Ann Frattalone retired after 31 years of teaching Special Education, the last 20 years in the Connecticut Technical High School System. An alumnus of Greenwich High School, Ann received a Bachelor's degree from Western Connecticut State University and completed her Master program in Vocational Special Education at UConn, Storrs. She has been the Regular Awards Chair of the Connecticut Science Fair for the past 22 years and is now the ISEF Week Coordinator.

Ann is active in her community where for the last 15 years she has been a member of the Bridgewater Volunteer Fire Department Women's Auxiliary and currently the Vice-President of the organization. In her spare time she is a substitute teacher at their local elementary school and plays a little golf.



ISEF Week Associate Coordinator

Bob and Cammie Harris

As a volunteer for the Connecticut Science Fair, Bob has worked in Physical Layout and Display & Safety Rules since 2008. Cammie started for the 2011 fair as a Project Registration and Project Recovery/Check-out volunteer. Together they have volunteered for the 2011 ISEF in Los Angeles as chaperones and finalist helpers.

Bob and Cammie spent their careers with the Southern New England Telephone Company of Connecticut. He retired in 1991 as a Systems Administrator in staff management, and she retired in 1996 as a business office supervisor.

Bob has been kept busy helping friends add to a cottage and other remodeling projects using his skills as a carpenter, electrician, plumber, and telecom technician. For several years he worked as a non-profit handyman for senior homeowners. In his spare time he enjoys sailing, woodworking, gardening, model railroading and environmental volunteering.

Cammie works part time as a receptionist in a large pediatric and allergy office. She enjoys swimming, shopping, theater, reading, gardening and baking. Her family is most important and she thrives at large gatherings. She also enjoys day trips with her friends and exploring new places.

As a retired couple they have enjoyed travel, family reunions and gatherings, and their grandson Peyton since his August 2005 birth. They have two sons: Christopher, a special education teacher in Boston, and Jason, an executive chef for a Boston area restaurant.



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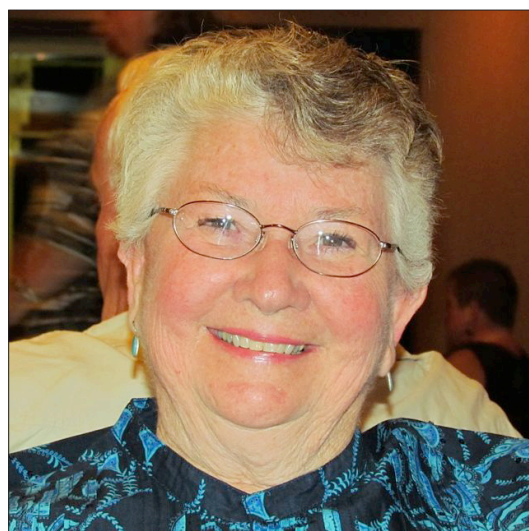
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Sonia Beloin is a science teacher at Hamden High School. She has taught Biology, Chemistry, and a number of elective science courses including Biotechnology in the last 15 years. Previously to teaching high school she was employed by Genaissance Pharmaceuticals researching in the field of human molecular genetics. Her primary research focus was in human genetic variation. Her current research interests include the prehistoric migration patterns of human populations, data-driven instructional strategies at the secondary level and encouraging students in their pursuit of scientific research. She volunteers her time coaching students for the Northeast Regional Science Bowl, Science Olympiad and Connecticut Science Fair.



Bob Wisner began his association with the Connecticut Science Fair when he first participated as a 7th grader from Hartford's Kennelly School, competing in high school making it to the National Science Fair in 1958 and 1959. In 1960 as a result of his science project work Bob was offered an internship at United Technologies Research Center. After receiving his electrical engineering degree from UConn, Bob became a full-time research engineer doing research in high-energy lasers, adaptive optics, and power electronics resulting in 15 patents. His proudest career accomplishment was leading a research team in the development of an automated clinical gait analysis system used to evaluate children with cerebral palsy. After 35 years at UT Research Center and 5 at Otis Elevator, Bob retired in 1999. His CSF volunteer days began in the early seventies when his 7th grade science teacher asked him to become involved. Bob became chairman of the Fair's board of directors in 1974 and Fair Director in 1989. Bob and his wife, Sue, have three children and five grandchildren. He and Sue enjoy sailing in their good old sailboat, "Bittersweet".



Sue Wisner has been on several past trips to ISEF in different parts of the United States and Puerto Rico. Sue has recently retired from 25 years as a registered nurse in pediatric nursing and has shifted her efforts to volunteering in several worthwhile causes. The one most dear to her is her time spent with Hospice and homecare cases. Even though she does not have a formal teaching background she has experienced the importance of science education by seeing the positive effects it has had on students of the CT Science Fair through the efforts of her husband, Bob. Sue has been directly and indirectly involved with supporting the CSF for decades as Bob has been Chairman of the Board and Fair Director. Sue has always been impressed on the quality and depth of the projects that Connecticut presents at the International Competition and the maturity of the students. There is tremendous personal growth done during the week as the students deal with judging interviews and see the caliber of competing projects. The Los Angeles ISEF is bound to provide life-long memories for both students and chaperones.