

Rosemary Krygowski first joined the Interboro community after she graduated from Temple University in 1971. She taught middle school science until she retired in 2011. She still feels a connection to Interboro today even after being retired for many years. Science has always been her passion and she was able to be involved in many exciting programs during her time at Interboro. In 1998, she was invited to participate in Project Labs where she had the opportunity to work with a scientist at ROHM and HAAS to design an original experiment for her classroom. This experiment was shared with other teachers through this program.

One of the most exciting opportunities she had was when she was selected by Boeing to be part of the Boeing Education Space Camp program in Huntsville, Alabama in 2004. She is forever grateful to have had this exciting opportunity. While attending the National Science Teacher's Convention she became acquainted with representatives of Adams Equipment and was able to secure electronic scales for her classroom by writing and editing experiments for their websites. Whenever there was an opportunity to learn more and acquire equipment for her classroom, Rosemary did it. She took classes at Swarthmore College and received a stipend to buy science equipment and also was part of Cabrini's CSI - Radnor where she not only became familiar with techniques used in crime scene investigating but also received a bin full of equipment to use in her classroom.

Probably the experience that had the biggest impact on Rosemary and in her classroom was when she decided to go to Whale Camp to work on her continuing education credits in 1995. She traveled over 700 miles to take this class and was so excited to see so many things she taught come to life. This environmental class touched her soul, so she then began Whale Camp for students. She did everything and anything to raise money to take students to this wonderful place. From school wide fundraisers to stocking the faculty room with water were just some of her fundraising experiences. Her potential whale campers went throughout the school helping teachers and staff to earn tickets to win a scholarship to go to camp. She had donors from New York City contribute to her scholarship fund, as well as community members who made considerable donations to it. Probably the most rewarding donor was a former student who was one of the first to go to Whale Camp. She contributed \$1500 each year for the last 3 years of the program so that others would have the same chance she did. A recent contact by a former student who plans to go to Adult Whale camp, next year has really made the 14-year program the most rewarding experience in her career.

Rosemary is able to continue her connection to science and children by her involvement in Delta Kappa Gamma, an international Teacher society, where she is working with other educators to create a STEM program at the Coatesville Library. She also is a Site Supervisor for Prometrics and helps administer various exams to students throughout the area. When she had the opportunity to join Interboro Education Foundation she felt that this was perfect. She can now give back to the community that had given her so much.