



Ann Fantauzzi  
Educational Consultant, Retired Educator

## **Biography**

**Ann Fantauzzi, MS Ed.**, has worked in the field of education for 34 years. She has taught upper elementary grades, as well as administered and taught the gifted and talented program in her district. She is a published children's author, an innovator in classroom teaching methods and a teacher mentor.

She lives with her own chronic illness and is interested in helping others, especially schoolchildren, deal with theirs.

She has been very interested in the outdoors and sports her whole life. She's traveled across the United States and Canada, and has spent some winters in Arizona (where she does a lot of hiking). During college she was a certified Canadian ski instructor and a nationally certified ski patrolman. While teaching, she led groups of young students to Russia and Karelia to visit art schools. Working with Habitat for Humanity taught her many skills in building, cooperation and community.

Retirement has allowed her to open up a new world of travel and service. Shortly after leaving teaching she traveled to assist in hurricane disaster areas with the Red Cross Disaster Relief Services. For the past three years, she has assisted a colleague from a West Coast university in guiding students doing their student teaching in Namibia. This summer she will be teaching in a school for AIDS orphans in Uganda.

Her extensive travel has influenced her teaching and offered her the opportunity to pursue one of her favorite interests and endeavors: photography. She has had a number of gallery shows of her photos of African wildlife.

Ann is involved with the Mature Learning Program at Skidmore College and is studying the History of African Art at Skidmore.

## **Please Participate In Our Pilot Research**

Daria Paul Dona, PhD, Professor in the College of Education at Minnesota State University, Mankato, and Patricia Fennell, MSW, LCSW-R, President of Albany Health Management Associates, Inc. are developing a tool to measure the 6 Functions/Capacities that impact people with chronic illnesses.

They are currently seeking volunteers from NASW-NY to help pilot the tool. To register as a volunteer, please submit your contact information at:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ahma-rp>

We will contact you once we are further along in the tool's development and your assistance is needed.

Thank you for your help!