



# STC 2007 BIO

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## SANDY HOTZ

My name is Sandy and I grew up on the east coast of Florida (Miami) until I was 16. From there I moved to Ft. Myers on the west coast of Florida and finished high school. I have an undergraduate degree in Speech and Language Pathology and a Masters in Audiology from Florida State University. I interned in Texas and the day I graduated, someone quit work where I was interning and I got that job...and so I stayed in Texas! I married a native Texan, Ed, a little over 27 years ago. He is dual occupation. He started out working as a veterinarian for a number of years, but now does that on the side as a relief veterinarian on some Saturdays. His primary employment is assistant fire chief for a suburb around here (population about 100,000).

The Lord had us wait for children, and so we got a late start. As a result, I am quite sure I am the oldest SCC... but my 10 year old, as well as my hairdresser, keep me feeling young. We now have four daughters; Julie (23), Jenna (19), Shelly (17) and Shelby (10). The oldest will graduate from graduate school in August and will be looking for a job probably in NYC (Oh dear!). We have another who just graduated from high school last year and is getting her "basics" out of the way. It has actually helped us in the booth to be able to say we have graduated children with Sonlight and they are all doing well. We began homeschooling 19 years ago. I have used Sonlight for the last 12 years and have used basically everything (more than once) except the new Core 7, but we will get to that eventually with my youngest.

Eight years ago two other moms and I decided to coop primarily for the sake of our high schoolers. Since I had the science degree, I ended up teaching chemistry by default and found out I loved teaching high school science. Our classes have since grown and, as the administrator of this day of classes, we now have about 95 families attending classes primarily for high school. I teach one physics class and two chemistry classes each year (Apologia). (Barbara, another SCC, is part of those classes, also).

This year will be my ninth season as an SCC. I have one partner who has been with me since the beginning and Barbara, who has helped us for a number of years has agreed to commit to help us at all our book fairs this year. I have done a few other things for Sonlight in the past including Curriculum Advisor during a few summers, writing science schedules for the Apologia science books, and odds and ends.

Who would have thought 10 years ago I would be doing any of this!

