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Favorite Quote - Henry Ford once said, **"If you think you can or you think you can't - either way you are right"**.

Education

- 2009 - 10 Decided to be Re-certified to teach secondary Biology
Suffolk County Community College (Spanish - 3 credits)
Excelsior College (Literacy Instr in Elementary School - 6 credits)
Workshops - Child Abuse ID & School Violence Intervention & Prevention
- 1990 **State University of New York, Stony Brook, New York**
Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Major CED 1990.
- Fall 1984 University of Houston, Houston, Texas (3 credits)
- Spring 1984 Houston Community College System, Houston, Texas (3 credits)
- 1975-1983 **University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming.**
Bachelor of Science in Education Major Secondary Education,
emphasis in Biology and General Science. Graduated 1983

Certification

- New York State Certification - Biology updated 6/2010 - ID# 1413051
- Texas Teacher Certificate - Science, Composite (expired)
- Wyoming State Department of Education Standard (expired)
Certificate - Endorsements: General Science,
Biology, Mathematics, Coaching - Swimming and Tennis

Professional Experience

- 2002- Present **Suffolk Country Community College, NY** - Adjunct Professor
Fall 2002 PE (Social Dance & Club Dance) to present - PE dept.

1988- present **Independent Dance Teacher, Choreographer, Coach**
Independent Contractor

- Suffolk Zone (NYSAPERD)
 - 10/09 - Suffolk County Community College, NY - Lecturer
- "One Vision" - Nassau - Suffolk Zone (NYSAPERD)
 - 10/04/05 - Hofstra, NY - Lecturer
- Port Jefferson Arts Council
 - Lecturer - Dance Film series
- "Expanding Horizons" - Suffolk Zone (NYSAPERD)
 - 10/03/06 - St John's, NY - Lecturer
- World Hustle Championships, NJ - 2003 - 08
 - Judge & Lecturer
- Disco America, NJ - 2004 & 2007
 - Judge & Lecturer
- Suffolk Country Community College, NY
 - Guest Lecturer Spring 2002
- Star Dust Dance Weekends - Catskill Mts.
 - Featured Performer & Instructor 2001 - present
- O'Neils Mid Weeks - Catskill Mts
 - Featured Performer & Instructor 1999 - 2002
- Norwegian Cruise Lines - Enrichment Instructor
- Celebrity Cruise Lines - Enrichment Instructor
- Dancin' Time, Smithtown, NY
- Swing Street Studios, Farmingdale, NY
- Dance Elektra, Centereach, NY
- Dance Obsession, Farmingdale, NY
- Fred Astaire, Garden City, NY
- Ballroom Break, Lewisberry, PA
- Dance Odyssey, Selden, NY
- New York Express, Selden, NY
- Dance New York, New York, NY
- Touch Dancing, West Hampton, NY

1986- 1989 **General Science Teacher, Islip School District,**
Tenured
Islip, New York. Islip Middle School.

1983-1985 **Physical Science Teacher - Cooperative Vocational**
Academic Education, Head Swim Coach
Houston Independent School District, Houston, Texas.
Jack Yates High School.

1982-1983 **Extended Studies: Water Babies, Infant Swim Instructor.**
University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming. (Part-time)

Featured Dancer on TV

2001	Public Access - Touch Dancing - Demonstration- Hustle - Fund Raiser
2001	Public Access - Touch Dancing - Demonstration-Hustle
2001	Public Access - Touch Dancing - Demonstration-Cha cha
1995	A&E - American Castles
1992	PBS - Championship Ballroom Dancing now - America's Ballroom Challenge
1990	Connecticut Public Access - Performance - Rocky Hill
1988	Connecticut Public Access - Performance - Rocky Hill

Industrials

- Foxwoods Casino High Rollers New Year Eve's Bash for 2001
- General Electric on the Club Med One (Western Caribbean)
- Aetna (Cancun,Mexico)
- Cohen Optical (Acapulco,Mexico)
- Sterling Optical (Acapulco,Mexico)
- Cisco Systems (Boca Raton, FL)
- Ritz Carlton - 30 year Anniversary

College Swim Team Distinctions/Accomplishments

U.W. Swim Team Awards University of Wyoming (NCAA division I) 1975 - 1979

U.W. Swim Team Awards

1975-1979	4 year Varsity Letterman
1978-1979	Team Captain
1978-1979	Best Western Athletic Conference Meet
1977-1978	Most Improved
1975-1976	Hardest Worker

Other Certifications

Qualified to coach Swimming and Tennis
Water Safety Instruction Certificate (WSI)
Proficient in Web Site Design
Self Taught HTML to compete on-line in business

More Information on Line at:

www.ultimatedancezone.com - **Web Site**

<http://www.mjames.org/flvplayer3.html> - **teaching & performing Videos**

www.mjames.org/markkaren.html - **Pictures**

Professional References

Mr Chris Cosenza - Professor - Academic Chair / Physical Education

Suffolk County Community College

Ammermann Campus

533 College Road

Selden, NY 11784-2899

(631) 451 4935

Ms Jean Ann Scharpf - Professor Physical Education

Suffolk County Community College

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Mr Art Deluca - Professor Physical Education

Suffolk County Community College

Eastern Campus

121 Speonk Road

Riverhead, NY 11901-3499

(631) 548 3592

Ms Pamela Frazier, MS, MPA - Adjunct Professor, Dietetic Technician Program

Suffolk County Community College

Eastern Campus

121 Speonk Road

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(631) 790 5670

Mr David E Goldberg, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry

Brooklyn College, CUNY

Dept of Chemistry

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