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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 (NYSAHPERD)
  - 10/09 - Suffolk County Community College, NY - Lecturer
- "One Vision" - Nassau - Suffolk Zone (NYSAHPERD)
  - 10/04/05 - Hofstra, NY - Lecturer
- Port Jefferson Arts Council
  - Lecturer - Dance Film series
- "Expanding Horizons" - Suffolk Zone (NYSAHPERD)
  - 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](http://www.ultimatedancezone.com) - **Web Site**

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

[www.mjames.org/markkaren.html](http://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

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(631) 451 4935

**Ms Jean Ann Scharpf - Professor Physical Education**

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**Mr Art Deluca - Professor Physical Education**

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Eastern Campus

121 Speonk Road

Riverhead, NY 11901-3499

(631) 548 3592

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

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**Mr David E Goldberg, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry**

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