



# City

# Spotlight

## In the Classroom

### Business Students Hold Class in Real World

Altamonte Springs Campus



Certified Business Consultant, Mr. Chuck Wheeler, presents to Marketing class

The Business Department students held their Principles of Marketing class at the **Small Business Development Center (SBDC)** in Orlando. **Mr. Charles (Chuck) Wheeler**, Certified Business Consultant, presented an expert analysis on the current trends in marketing.

### Microbiology Class is Really Fun

Altamonte Springs Campus



Microbiology can be fun and informative all at the same time

Each Thursday at the Altamonte Springs campus **Dr. Lisa Parenti** makes learning fun in microbiology. Students are streaking plates with all sorts of interesting bacteria in this class to exam what grows. Nursing and Surgical Technology students learn how to stain plates, determine the bacterial results, and see what grows, then they grade them. Learning can be fun!



Straight from the Heart founder, Tracey Dannemiller, kneeling center front, poses with some of the students, faculty, and staff after touching the hearts of those on the Miami Campus

### Straight From the Heart

Miami Campus

City College, Miami Campus welcomed nationally recognized educator and motivational speaker **Tracey Dannemiller** who has touched the lives of thousands of high school and college students throughout the State of Florida. She has been in the spotlight and has created a traveling exhibit and documentary for AIDS awareness and prevention.

During the event, Dannemiller shared a personal account of how one bad decision, her affair, completely changed her life by infecting her with the HIV virus. She also shared how her life has been impacted by HIV and AIDS. Dannemiller lost her second husband to AIDS in the late '80s and her daughter Lesley, now in her 20s, also has AIDS. Dannemiller's fourth husband, Tim, is living with AIDS and lost his first wife to the disease. Tracey has six children in all.

Together, Tracey and Lesley gave an interactive presentation to educate the students on a variety of topics, including the basics of transmitting the disease.

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### Summer Ambassador Student Association Induction Ceremony

Fort Lauderdale Campus

Fort Lauderdale staff and faculty are pleased to announce the induction of 13 new students into the **Ambassador Student Association** during a ceremony held on August 23, 2017. Led by Broadcasting Program Chair, **Dr. Alvan Lewis**, the new inductees will join the existing Ambassadors bringing the total number of participants to 44. Ambassadors participate in a variety of activities including



campus wide and community events, volunteer opportunities, workshops, peer-to-peer tutoring, and promotion of City College and its programs. The campus extends its heartfelt congratulations to the newly inducted Ambassadors.

## In the Classroom

### To Touch a Heart

Hollywood Campus



*CVS students had the opportunity to hold a heart*

When CVS Program Chair, **Mark Berges**, attended a continuing education event, he knew that he had to find a way to give his students the opportunity to see the heart that he dissected on Saturday, October 7.

After the class, he asked the instructors what they planned to do with the hearts. When he found out that they would be discarded, he asked if he could bring his specimen back to his students. He packed it on ice, and on Monday, October 9, his students had the opportunity to put on gloves and explore the heart in three dimensions. It was not a human heart, but a pig's heart, which is very similar to a human heart. This experience allowed them to experience a heart in a whole different dimension—very different from textbooks, very different from a CVS scan!

Because this opportunity was so unique, Mark Berges invited the other program students on campus to come and take part. Throughout that Monday, a wide variety of students had a chance to touch the various parts of the heart.

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Tracey discussed how adults can be guilty of making bad choices—extramarital affairs, drinking excessively, experimenting with drugs, etc.— and how even sharing earrings, tweezers or nail clippers with someone that has HIV or AIDS can be dangerous.

Dannemiller encourages people not to fear those with AIDS, but to be smart and safe in their own practices. She recommends limiting your number of sexual partners, knowing your partner's history, and having protected sex as the best precautions.

While there is still no cure for HIV or AIDS, Dannemiller and her family are proof that modern medicine helps to extend the life among those infected.

## Community Service



*SCANAVTA Howlaween participants and their pets*

### A Howling Good Time

Hollywood Campus

Our student Vet Tech group, **SCANAVTA**, created "Howlaween," a fund raising afternoon at **401 Grill** in downtown Ft. Lauderdale, on Sunday, Oct. 29. This event not only raised money for a charity, but also helped increase visibility for the Hollywood campus of City College.

All patrons could enter a raffle for beautiful gift baskets. Students sold bandanas made out of Halloween and autumn-patterned fabrics. A percentage of the drink sales from all patrons also went to the fundraising efforts. The highlight of the afternoon was the pets-in-costume parade. What great creativity was on display!

The students raised money for **Tree of Hope**, a local charity that assists families who cannot afford surgeries or medical procedures for their pets. This event helped the group get closer to their goal of raising \$1000.

The weather forecast for the week-end was gloomy, with a tropical storm passing by. Luckily, the skies cleared, and a great time was had by all.



*Left to right: Dogs in costume; Pets in Hollywood costume parade*

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## In the Classroom



Left to right, Brian Quirk, Tracey Dannemiller, Director of Education Diane Jasper

## A Very Special Guest Speaker

### Gainesville Campus

On October 20, 2017 City College of Gainesville had a very special guest speaker: **Tracey Dannemiller**, President and founder of **Straight from the Heart of Florida**- an organization dedicated to providing proper education about HIV, and also providing hope and encouragement to those living with the virus.

## Graduate Spotlight

## Del McDougle: Broadcasting and Project Management

### Fort Lauderdale Campus

**Delconno (Del) McDougle**, a Broadcasting (2014) and Project management (2016) graduate has recently been hired as a Radio Board Operator for **WSB 95.5FM** and **750AM News talk, Weather and Traffic** in Atlanta. Delconno moved to Atlanta just prior to Hurricane Irma and was swiftly employed by **Cox Media**. She is a former president of the Broadcasting Club (2012 - 2013).



Del McDougle

## Entrepreneur Club Hosts City Lights Networking Event

### Fort Lauderdale Campus

**City Lights**-a networking event-hosted by the **Fort Lauderdale Entrepreneur Club**, in conjunction with the **Broadcasting Club** showcased local business owners and entrepreneurs attending the campus. Students and faculty from the Fort Lauderdale and Hollywood campuses mingled and discussed business opportunities while enjoying a smorgasbord of delectable food items. The students would like to extend gratitude to Business Program Chair **Dr. Killen** for her outstanding advice and counsel, Business Accounting Professor **Fernandez-Rubio** for donating raffle items, Hollywood Business Program Lead **Professor Vinson** for encouraging Hollywood students to participate. It was an exciting event that fostered new connections and collaborative efforts that will lead to the continued growth and success of our students.



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## Students Network at BREIA Annual Expo

### Fort Lauderdale Campus



Professor Ramon Fernandez-Rubio; Ryan Kuhlman, President of BREIA; and Desmond Baxter (Accounting Graduate) at BREIA Show Case

On October 26, 2017, **Martine Phillippe** (Accounting student), **Desmond Baxter** (Accounting Graduate) and Professor **Ramon Fernandez-Rubio** attended the **5th Annual BREIA /MD-REIA Developer Showcase & Real Estate Expo** at **Signature Gardens** in Davie, Florida. Over 1,000 professionals from different real estate and related businesses participated in the event. Among the vendors were lenders, insurance companies, and tax and accounting firms catering to the real estate industry. BREIA will be inviting City College students to future events. Please stay tuned.

## Graduate Spotlight

### Renee Jacobs: Surgical Technology Graduate

#### Altamonte Springs Campus

**Renee Jacobs** is a real success story. Renee graduated from the Surgical Technology program in June and now has a successful career in surgery at St. Mary's Healthcare in Amsterdam, NY. Renee's path was not a smooth one for her here at City College. During her time with us, she had her son enter the military right out of high school, and he was sent overseas after his training. No mother wants to see her child go overseas so this was very stressful for her. Shortly after her son left for the military, she had 2 of her uncles and her grandfather all pass away within weeks of each other back in New York. She took a few days off to travel back to New York, but she always had her work done and continued to persevere with a positive attitude.



Renee Jacobs

When Renee was in her second clinical rotation, her husband had to have surgery, and she only took off the day of his surgery. During her third and last clinical rotation, Renee needed to have surgery herself. Renee just took a couple of days off and then she was back in her clinical rotation at the hospital determined to finish the term and graduate. At the end of the semester, Renee took and passed her certification test with high scores and became a Certified Surgical Technologist. In July, when she was going to the graduation ceremony, she ended up in the ER with her husband who had a heart attack. Today Renee is working as a Certified Surgical Technologist and is working with the DaVinci Robotics in surgery. Renee loves her job, and she considers her co-workers family. Since moving back to New York, Renee has purchased a new truck and is glad to be closer to her family. She wants everyone to know not to give up and continue to strive for your chosen career at City College.

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## Student Spotlight

### Katherine Leon: Medical Assisting

#### Miami Campus

**Katherine Leon** has been an outstanding asset to the City College community throughout her tenure as a student on the Miami Campus. She has participated in numerous Ambassador Program activities, as well as excelling academically in the field of Medical Assisting.

Katherine has maintained a 4.00 GPA and is a distinguished student who has contributed a great deal of creative leadership both in the classroom and in the City College community at large. Katherine has taken an active role in what it means to be a student leader and has participated in activities on campus. Katherine is always the first to volunteer.

**Dr. Yesenia Viera**, Department Chair for Allied Health, believes Katherine should be recognized for her efforts to make City College a diverse community with creating opportunities to meet students where they are at in their own development and how important it is to have each student's voice matter.

She is a well-known "go-to" student for being able to deftly capture and convey what it means to be a reliable and balanced student leader, and admirably represents the pinnacle of the student body.



Katherine Leon

### Frances Rowan: Business Administration

#### Hollywood Campus

Students at the Hollywood campus may have noticed more activities for students recently. Business Administration student **Frances Rowan** has been busy.

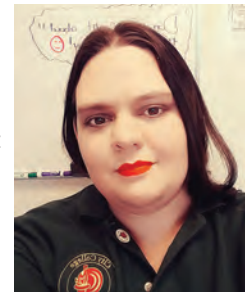
A year ago, the Student Ambassador program needed to be reactivated, and Frances spearheaded that initiative. She promoted the group and helped to create the first swearing-in ceremony.

The group has now been active for over half a year, and they provide support for new student orientation, as well as other campus events.

Frances has been one of the main student tutors. Under her instruction, students get additional help and support. Frances also helped to create **Career Services Week**, a quarterly event, which has grown both in terms of employer attendance and student enthusiasm.

Frances always has great ideas for helping the larger community. This year, the Hollywood campus will be collecting socks for the homeless, a different kind of stocking stuffer. Frances was the one who selected this charity for our holiday outreach.

We look forward to seeing what Frances Rowan achieves in the coming years. Based on her experience at City College, we expect great things!



Frances Rowan