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## The Cultural Diversity Foundation Summer/Fall 2009 Newsletter

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**CDF SALUTES SPONSORS**

Dear Friends of the CDF,

On behalf of the board of directors, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation for sponsoring our 2009 educational programs: Technology Made Simple: Computer Basics, Winning Scholarships for College, and Money Matters: Financial Literacy.

I would especially like to thank Anika Howard, John Esperian, Adrian Foster Brian Mosco, and Suken Shah for teaching some of the classes for the CDF. Because of your support, we are able to make significant strides to enhance the educational, professional, and personal growth of individuals who live in our community.

The CDF also salutes Harrah's Entertainment, Nevada State Bank, LT Evention, and Southwest Gas for lending a helping hand to support the Golden Hand Service Awards.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joni Flowers  
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**CDF Partners with the National Youth Sports & Academic Program &**

and  
**PARTNERS  
FOR OUR  
EDUCATIONAL  
PROGRAMS**



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## the Clark County Summer Business Institute (SBI) Program

The CDF partnered with the National Youth Sports & Academic Program that is sponsored by UNLV, College of Education. Dr. Porter Troutman is the director of the program. CDF offered classes in using MSOffice software, managing a budget, and locating scholarship resources for college to over 250 students, ages 10-16 years of age during the summer.



**(Above)** CDF partner, Kiana Alexandra of Bank of Nevada volunteered to present a financial literacy class on managing a personal budget class to NYSP students.



**(Top left)** CDF Partner, Cassandra Smith formerly of Community Bank of Nevada volunteered to teach students how to calculate cost of living expenses. Community Bank of Nevada was also a sponsor of CDF's financial literacy program. The CDF salutes LaSonia Burks for lending a helping hand to the Cultural Diversity Foundation. **(Right)** Cassandra Smith and NYSP, CCSD teachers: Mr. Price, Rudy Johnson, Rocio Romero, and Jeff Ellis.

## The National Youth Sports and Academic Program

## Local Chapter, American Advertising Federation



**(Above)** Dr. Flowers presents a scholarship workshop to an estimated 430 students who participated in the Clark County Summer Business Institute (SBI) program

## NYSP Online Mentoring Program

Dr. Joni Flowers and Dr. Porter Troutman collaborated to develop an online mentoring program for NYSP participants. Mentors and mentees will communicate online using various tools such as discussion boards, Email, blogs as well as participate in online global communities. For more information, please visit <http://nysp.education.unlv.edu/> or contact Dr. Porter Troutman at [porter.troutman@unlv.edu](mailto:porter.troutman@unlv.edu)

## The CDF PROVIDES AN EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN

Several educational programs are offered in computer literacy, financial literacy, and college funding. The hands-on workshops enable participants to use various software applications and the Internet.



(left) Dr. Joni Flowers shows a student how to search for scholarships on the Web. Adrian Foster (right) teaches MS Office Introduction to Excel.

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY FOUNDATION TO "REMOVE ROADBLOCKS, AND BUILD OPPORTUNITIES"**

**MISSION**  
Our mission is to create opportunities to learn by promoting, encouraging, and enhancing the educational, professional, and personal growth of individuals through the development of programs that support upward mobility for disadvantaged Clark County residents.



Professor John Esperian who teaches for the English Department at the College of Southern Nevada discusses the important components of writing a scholarship essay during the Winning Scholarships for College class.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOPS A SUCCESS!**

Brian Mosco and Suken Shaw of the Local Chapter of the American Advertising Federation presented the Introduction to Facebook & Twitter, and the Creating an Online Newsletter class. The classes were a huge success. Students were given an opportunity to create a facebook and twitter page, and an online newsletter.



Brian Mosco ( above center) assists students with their facebook and twitter pages.

### **CREATING AN ONLINE NEWSLETTER**



Suken Shah (**far right**) teaches students how to use Email marketing software to design an online newsletter.

## NV ENERGY FUNDS CDF's ONLINE COURSES

The CDF received a grant from NV Energy to develop and teach online courses in computer literacy, Using the Internet to conduct Research and Searching the Web to locate scholarships for college. Students will be given the opportunity to interact with the instructor and classmates in real-time (synchronous) while they are online. Courses will be available online in Summer 2010.



The CDF salutes NV Energy for helping to "remove roadblocks and to build online educational learning opportunities" for the community.

## 2009 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



ASIA SAPP

CLAIRE QUANG

DAVID RICHTER

MARLENY EQUIZABAL

NICOLE CARPENTER

The CDF's salutes the 2009 scholarship recipients: Asia Sapp, Rhonda Jefferson Single Parent Scholarship Award; Claire Quang, Cultural Diversity Foundation Scholarship Award; David Richter, Cultural Diversity Foundation Scholarship Award, Marleny Equizabal, Rhonda Jefferson Single Parent Scholarship Award; Nicole Carpenter, George Seess Culinary Scholarship Award. [www.cdfnv.org](http://www.cdfnv.org)

## 15th Anniversary

**Educational Taste of Excellence: Wine tasting, Spirits, and Jazz Scholarship Benefit**



**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Saturday, February 27, 2010  
Paris Las Vegas, Champagne Ballroom  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm**

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