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MCAULEY ALUMNA NAMED MRS. CHICAGO

Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School is proud to announce that Danielle Cortes Devito, class of 1992, has been named “Mrs. Chicago 2009.” She was chosen because of her community service and commitment to family.

In addition to her job as a Chicago Fire Department Paramedic, she also founded Heart Savers and Educators, Inc. which provides training courses in CPR and First Aid. Danielle volunteers as an American Heart Association Stroke Ambassador and is an advocate for research on women’s heart disease.



On September 8, she visited Mother McAuley and spoke to the students about the American Heart Association’s “Go Red for Women.” This “Go Red” campaign is a national movement to help fight back against the No. 1 killer of American women.

“I believe my work with the American Heart Association is important and well worth the effort. I feel very strongly about this problem because heart disease is the largest single cause of death in American women, accounting for one third of all deaths.”

As Mrs. Chicago, Danielle's goal is to help doctors and nurses get their patients involved in the "Go Red" movement; to mobilize at least 1,000 women to become involved and aware of the "Go Red" movement; and participate in Lunch and Learn events sponsored by the American Heart Association.

The Mrs. Chicago pageant is sponsored by Bank of America and "Chicago Sky," Chicago's professional women's basketball team.



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