

Mercy CLASS NOTES

1960s

Joan Wolf '65 published her 53rd book, entitled "The Portrait," on



October 6, 2020. Set in England just after the battle of Waterloo, it is a romantic fiction novel. It will be available on Amazon and Nook. To find out more go to www.joanwolf.com.

1990s

Dr. Jaime Nieto '91, H.D. '19 was appointed director of neurosurgery at Long Island Jewish (LIJ) Forest Hills. Previously he served as section chief of neurologic and spine surgery at New York-Presbyterian Queens Hospital and as a clinical assistant professor of neurological surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College.



Dean Errigo '93 is art director and partial owner of lower Hudson Valley based KEA Advertising. With an extensive client base, he oversees the production of 20 cable television commercials each month and also specializes in widespread internet advertising campaigns for health care, retail and e-commerce.



Sheila Enriquez '96 was profiled and honored by the Houston Business Journal as part of the Most Admired CEO Awards 2020. Enriquez is the managing partner and CEO of Briggs



& Veselka, the third largest independent accounting firm in the Southwestern United States. Enriquez was honored at the 2021 Mercy College Virtual Alumni Achievement event and was inducted into the Mercy College Alumni Hall of Fame.

Jennifer Plick '97 took on the role of executive director of New Castle Historical Society in Chappaqua. She previously served as director of education for the Anne Frank Center for Mutual Respect and prior to that served as director of education for the Historical Society of Rockland County.



Stephen P. Hampe, M.S. '99 entered his second year as board president for the Rome City School District in Rome, NY. He teaches as contributing faculty for Walden University and SUNY-Empire State College.



2000s

Monsignor David Cassato, M.S. '02 was appointed as the vicar for Catholic schools by the Diocese of Brooklyn. In this role, he will serve on the board of all Catholic schools in Brooklyn and Queens and advise the schools' pastors. He has served as a pastor of St. Athanasius-St. Dominic Church in Bensonhurst since 2001.



Ethan Simblist '02 is a digital marketing consultant. Most recently, he held the role of vice president of digital solutions, at MeritDirect in Rye Brook and has been a sought-after panelist on issues facing today's fast-paced advertising climate.



Eric Contreras, M.S. '04 became the principal of North Shore High School on Long Island. Contreras previously served for four years as the principal of Stuyvesant High School in Manhattan.



Annette Welsh, M.S. '05 was named a first vice president and auditor at Ridgewood Savings Bank in New York. She is a certified financial services auditor and has certification from the Institute of Internal Auditors in risk management assurance. Aside from her involvement in Ridgewood Savings Bank, she is a member of the board of trustees at All Nations Apostolic Temple in Valley Stream, where she is chief financial officer.



2010s

Pascale Jean-Gilles '15 joined the staff of newly elected Senator Elijah Reichlin-Melnick for the 38th District which represents most of Rockland and parts of Westchester Counties. She will serve as outreach director on his team, having previously served as director of communications for State Assemblymember Ellen Jaffee.



McKenna Ronan '15 received her J.D. from Campbell University School of Law in Raleigh, North Carolina and was sworn in as a licensed attorney to the North Carolina State Bar. She is now an associate attorney at McMillion Law, PLLC, based in Graham, North Carolina.



Tiffany Cordero '16 joined Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC as a product strategy associate. She previously served as an account development representative for Feedvisor, helping large brands and sellers maximize e-commerce sales. Additionally, she provides support as a marketing and freelance writing consultant to online media *Bushwick Daily*.



Amanda Droll '16 joined the Mercy College Alumni Advisory Council this year. She is the coordinator of strategic partnerships for Sesame Workshop and previously served as marketing assistant for NBC Universal Media.



Michelle Magaletti '17 was hired as a candidate relations coordinator at Lifeworx, Inc, in Chappaqua. She previously worked as an employment specialist at Ability Beyond. Magaletti serves as co-chair of Mercy's Alumni Advisory Council.



Dominique Jones '18, a graphic designer with Penguin Random House, was recently profiled in a feature story in *Publishers Weekly*. In response to a need in her industry, she launched blackbrownbookdesigners.com - a professional networking website for other designers of color to share their experiences. One of her goals is to open opportunities for other young aspiring black graphic designers who comprise only 3% of her career field.



Kristin Millard '18 started a position as human resources coordinator at Aurora University in Aurora, IL. She previously served as the university's Registrar office manager. While at Mercy she served as a staff writer for *The Impact* and served as president of the Audio Engineering Society.



Joyce Sharrock Cole '19 was appointed as the Village historian for Ossining, the first African American to hold this role. Having previously served on the Village's Historic Preservation Commission, she is also a founding member and lead researcher for the Little Bertie County Genealogical Society. In addition to her Organizational Management degree from Mercy, she received her certification as a Genealogical Researcher from Boston University.



Imani DeBose '20 accepted a position as director of media relations for Ford Productions, a talent agency in Los Angeles. During her time at Mercy she was a standout volleyball player who earned honors as ECC Player of the Week.



Ashley Dieudonne '20 was hired as a financial analyst at I.B.M. after interning in the Financial Analyst Co-op program during a senior year at Mercy. She enters her first post-graduate position, also having honed her professional experience interning at Johnson & Johnson and Arch Capital Services Inc.



Trista Seara '20 signed with FC Malaga City Academy in Spain. This opportunity allows her to receive coaching while launching life as a professional player for a full ten-month season in Spain. In her final season at Mercy, Seara was named First Team All-ECC and First Team All-Region by the United Soccer Coaches and D2CCA.



In Memoriam

- Stacy Anker '16
- Dorothy L. Clarke '81
- Sister Marian Cumiskey, RSM
*Adjunct Instructor,
Speech and Hearing*
- Dennis L. Ellis '08
- Gracemary C. Fairbanks '68
- Evelyn D. Frankel '79
- Michelle A. Grecco '14
- Velma V. James '86
- Eileen M. Kappy '72
- William E. Lapolla '85
- Doreen F. Madonia '89
- Frances T. McStravick '69
- Joey Palermo
Lecturer, Sociology
- Philomena "Phyllis" Regan
Smalley '79
- Ann Ruane '66
- Joanne C. Short '82
- Betty L. Stevens '89
- Yvonne Velez '78
- Edward Walsh '76

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