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- Dr. Denise Robb

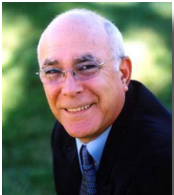
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Community Leaders Join the Foundation Board



Edward Albrecht attended Long Island University in Brooklyn NY. He received a degree in Business Management. He also did Post Grad work at The NY Fashion Institute of Technology and NYU before accepting a special job opportunity and relocation to Los Angeles in 1973.

From 1980-93, Edward Co-Chaired the Apparel Division of the Jewish Federation of Los Angeles. From a personal standpoint, Edward and his wife have been supporters of the Jewish Home for the Aging and the Simi Valley Boys & Girls Club.

Senior Account Director Brian A. Barry has just joined our board. Honored as the top salesman with iHeartMedia, Inc., we are lucky to have someone with a unique understanding of merchandising, brand integration and the ability to meet client needs. He has been recognized every quarter as the top performer in direct sales for KFI 640, KLAC 570 and KEIB AM 1150.



Brian is creating a new computer science internship between our computer science department and our new partner Unicom. Stay tuned.



Tanisha Sanders is a Pierce College student majoring in Child Development. Tanisha has decided to give back to the community of Pierce by being an active member of campus social engagement. Currently she is an ASO Senator for the Child Development department, Peer2Peer Mentor, President of CD club, and member of CDWFI,

as well as PTK, and AGS honor societies. She says that it is her goal to influence and motivate others to not only focus on themselves but the community as whole.

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Inspiring Student Stories of Scholarship Winners

On behalf of the Foundation, we apologize for the error in the December 2015 newsletter. Noura Hervani's picture was published with Andrea Amara's story. The error was corrected immediately.



"I am the first of my siblings to attend college. ... I have served in the United States Navy and continue to serve the military members and Veterans by being very active in The American Legion. ... I also volunteer for the American Cancer Society where last year I formed 4 Relay for Life Teams for the Woodland Hills Relay for Life held at Pierce College. ... I am currently

serving as the ASO Vice President. I am a member of both AGS and PTK Honor societies on campus. My goal is to graduate Pierce College with an AA and AS and transfer to CSUN. Once I graduate with my Bachelor of Science from CSUN,... I want to help find solutions with the problems and issues our Veterans have been experiencing getting medical care and benefits after serving our country."



"Last year I moved across the country from a small southern state, Georgia, to the 'land of dreams,' California, to receive a top education to pursue my passion in the dental field. I have faced many obstacles since my move, such as having to hold numerous jobs. Working at Chuck E. Cheese as a party hostess, tutoring on the

weekends and mentoring during weekdays while attending school as a full time student has been one of my greatest challenges. ... This fall I will be applying to the University of Southern California's Ostrow School of Dentistry as one of seven applicants to receive acceptance into their six year Pathway Program. ...I believe giving back to the community is one of the most selfless acts a person can do that will not only better them self, but also strengthen the community."

"I come from a low-income, single-parent household and am a first generation college student. ... I attended a four year university. However, I had to return home after my first year because my mom got sick. ... So I decided to come home and attend Pierce College. ... I went through a lot of physical, emotional, and mental struggles and I am proud of where I am today and who I have grown into. My life experiences made me into a stronger person. ... I have volunteered at Valley Presbyterian Hospital for more than five years. ... I am also currently a member of the PTK Honor Society and PC Chemistry Club."



"The only things that people regret are the things they did not do. I take pride in my ambition to further my education and pursue my dream of becoming an architect. ... I am proud of my accomplishments at Pierce College. I feel a great sense of community between the students and faculty. After I graduate with a Master's Degree in architecture, I plan to experience a successful and satisfying career with a greater sense of purpose and focus. I am giving myself the chance to do what I know is in my heart. I have never felt more creative, productive and excited about what the future holds."



ON THE HORIZON

TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALUMNI PARTICIPATION/ PLEASE JOIN US

Do you have expertise in climate change, the refugee crisis, violence in America, economics or educational inequality? Or would you like to moderate group sessions of students sharing their research with an expert? If so, please contact Denise Robb at robdbdm@piercecollege.edu with the subject line Town Hall and let us know. It's Friday May 6, 2016 from 8am to 1pm (or stay until 2pm and have lunch on us).

Meet and hear from candidates for State Senate District 27. Learn about the Porter Ranch gas leak. Meet Assemblyman Dababneh at a Q&A. For more information contact Denise Robb robdbdm@piercecollege.edu or come to the Great Hall from 10am-3:30pm on Thursday May 12. The event is co-sponsored by UCLA and their alumni will be attending as well. We look forward to seeing you.

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