

With Sincere Gratitude from Michelle Perricone

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Dear Friends,

There is no way to truly express my gratitude for 30 amazing years at Broome but, never being one of few words, I'm going to take a shot at it 😊

Thank you for your kindness, good humor, support during times when I suffered personal losses, and your patience when I struggled with new technology. Thank you for always listening and extending your compassion when the only light at the end of the tunnel seemed to be a train 😊 Thank you for your courtesy and assistance with projects, and your mentorship as I made my way into the sometimes daunting, but rewarding, Shared Governance phase of my career. And, I especially thank you for seeing things in me that I never saw in myself. I am grateful for your continued friendship and for all of the lovely gifts that I received at my farewell gathering yesterday. I will treasure them. It took me awhile to decide what meaningful thing I would purchase with the generous monetary gift, but I finally decided that it will be the beginning of my travel fund to visit my partner Bren's family for the first time in Puerto Rico this fall. I can't wait for that adventure. Just think of the birds I can add to my life list 😊 Not to mention the fact that she wants me to "meet the family." Woohoo!

One more thing...many years ago at my dad's funeral, a very dear friend of the family eulogized my dad by saying that when "Frank first met you, he didn't view you as another human being but rather as a potential angel." I just wanted you to know that you have more than fulfilled your potential in my book 😊

Be well and enjoy your time and each other. You have made this a wonderful ride!

Love,

Michelle Perricone

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."

- Theodor Suess Geisel

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