

## HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT

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### GREGORY J. CORRADO

Class of 1975

Greg remembers attending Great Neck Road Elementary School back when the giant oak tress still covered Copiague's main street. In high school, Greg was a member of the National Honor Society, a contributor to the school newspaper, and competed in the Math Club. But Greg's most favored memories were with the German Club, where he helped raise money for the club's first trip to Germany. The club, along with their German teacher and Greg's personal mentor Jessie McGuire, spent a month touring northern Deutschland, where they performed German Folk Dances at local festivals.

Like many who have attended Copiague High School, Greg was blessed with some of the best teachers in the world, among them Libby D'Alessandro, a fellow Hall of Achievement member. His preparation at Copiague led to his acceptance at Columbia University, where he graduated with a BA in English Literature. He also holds a MFA in Screenwriting and Film from New York University and was a visiting scholar at UCLA's Graduate School of Film. His screenplay, "The Troubles," was chosen from a field of 4,000 entries to be a top-ten finalist in the Academy Awards screenwriting fellowship. Greg wrote, directed, and edited the feature film, "Murder Reincarnation," which was bought and distributed by York Entertainment.

Greg currently serves as the Assistant Business Administrator for the City of Jersey City and lives with his wife, Maureen, in their restored 1860's brownstone just across the Hudson River from Manhattan. On 9-11, Greg and Maureen sheltered over thirty refugees from the WTC attacks in their house, providing them with food, clothes, and money.

**"This above all: to thine own self be true, And it must follow, as  
the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man."**

**- Shakespeare**