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**Igniting, Inspiring
and Illuminating:
Villanova's 10-year Strategic Plan**



Joyce (Poggi) Hager '79 A&S and her husband, Gary, met up with Father Peter at the Boston reception, but she's been with the president in spirit throughout his "What's Next?" tour. In every city, he reads a letter he received from Hager, in which she describes the profound effect Villanova had on her life. She does what all alumni are called to do: share their Villanova story. (See p. 22 to learn how you can share your story.)

Dear Alumni and Friends:

With a joyous 2011 Commencement—the rain held!—and memorable Reunion Weekend behind us, we find ourselves once again at the beginning of a new school year. This year is especially exciting, as we embark upon a new initiative to communicate Villanova's distinctive identity.

As a University, our greatest priority is academic excellence—and it shows. In the past decade our national stature has grown. The scholarly achievements of our faculty members and the continued intellectual growth and accomplishments of our students have created a learning community like no other.

Our Strategic Plan was designed to help us continue to move forward over the next 10 years. At the heart of our Strategic Plan are its five "pillars." They are: academic distinction, a diverse intellectual climate, faculty scholarship and graduate programs, sharing our story and securing our future. In this issue, we are highlighting the Plan's pillars, why they matter to you and how they illustrate who we are.

An important part of the Villanova story is how we encourage our students to achieve academic excellence, to push the boundaries of discovery and cultivate within them the excitement of learning and the value of intellectual curiosity. We also emphasize compassion, service to others and integrity in all that we do.

It is in the spirit of compassion that we will honor our Villanova alumni who were lost on Sept. 11, 2001, with a special 10th Anniversary Remembrance on campus. We also remember and reflect on the many family members and loved ones of our Villanova community who were lost that day.

Our commitment to service, for which St. Thomas of Villanova, the University's patron saint, is known, remains constant. The 2011 St. Thomas of Villanova Day of Service will be held Saturday, Sept. 24, and I urge you to join thousands of Villanova students, faculty, staff, alumni and families in performing service throughout Greater Philadelphia and in your own communities around the country. It is one of many ways we put ideals into action year-round to inspire and ignite change. It is the heart of who we are as Villanovans. Please contact your local alumni chapter or visit www.villanova.edu/stvc to find how you can get involved.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S
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Realizing the Augustinian Vision: Academic Distinction

Curricular Innovations Enhance Education

By SUZANNE WENTZEL

Academic excellence is Villanova's highest priority. By enabling students to broaden and deepen their knowledge, the University helps develop ethical leaders who will have a positive impact on society. The first imperative of the Strategic Plan, then, is the strengthening of the colleges' undergraduate programs through curricular innovations and, in particular, through a new core curriculum in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

When they hear the words "core curriculum," some students think, "What do I have to take and why?" But the new core being implemented this fall will change that perception. Students will view it not as a list of items to *do* but as a series of opportunities to *become*.

What students will *become* are liberally educated persons capable of being wise leaders and responsible citizens. "The new core will be a high-powered experience that socializes students into the life of the mind and engages them in great human questions," says Thomas Smith, PhD, director of the Honors Program.

This goal is not new. Nonetheless, as times change, content must keep pace. Curricular innovations increase academic quality and help A&S secure the University's reputation as a provider of a premier liberal-arts education. Because A&S provides the bedrock of a Villanova education, its revisions are an essential component of the University's Strategic Plan.

Students will be at the center of their own learning and have more flexibility and choice. Smaller, thematic, seminar-style classes will challenge them to develop their speaking, writing, research and analytical skills. Above all, says John Doody, PhD,

the Robert M. Birmingham Chair in Humanities, “they will come to understand that knowing the answer is not always as important as knowing which questions to ask and why.”

In addition to the enhancements in A&S, the University’s other Colleges have developed curricular innovations:

Villanova School of Business

Since fall 2008, students have been benefiting from VSB’s redesigned undergraduate curriculum, a bold, highly integrated approach to business education that focuses on global mindset, innovation, ethics and technology. The redesign supports the University’s strategic imperative for academic distinction and has helped make VSB one of the nation’s best undergraduate business schools. Other initiatives on the horizon: launching the Global Leadership Fellows Program this fall and adding required professional development components into the sophomore and junior curricula.

College of Engineering

“How can we be better?” That question prompted the already prestigious College of Engineering to introduce in fall 2009 a revised freshman curriculum focused on experiential learning. Through interdisciplinary, hands-on projects, students immediately apply classroom theory. For example, they shoot pool to understand the transfer of momentum. Also on the table: incorporating service learning across curricula and developing modules that help students think entrepreneurially.

College of Nursing

As issues of health-care policy and delivery receive national attention, the College of Nursing’s Undergraduate Curriculum Task Force is refreshing the program to reflect anticipated changes. In addition, the College is expanding its global health experiences. In this academic year, it will offer a new clinical elective in Kenya. In collaboration with the Center for Global and Public Health, a global health minor open to all Villanova students is being developed.

Integrating *Veritas, Unitas* and *Caritas*

The principles of truth, unity and love continue to guide academic programs. By strategically incorporating shared educational priorities across all colleges and disciplines, Villanova will bring these Augustinian principles to life. These stories reveal the power of truth, unity and love to transform lives, broaden horizons and inspire dreams.

Putting Principles into Practice

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL

Listing “created a business as a college student” on your resume tells potential employers you’re an entrepreneur. Adding that the business has a social mission tells them you’re a Villanovan.

Just ask the alumni who served as judges, mentors and sponsors at the second annual Villanova Social Entrepreneurship Competition (VSEC). As the five student teams that made it to the final round presented their ideas for sustainable businesses that would help those in need, the alumni were impressed not only by the soundness of the business plans but by their potential for effecting social change.

“You have to do well before you do good,” says VSEC judge John Haines ’79 A&S, a private investor and entrepreneur. “Often ventures that have social merit don’t work well as businesses. The enterprises proposed by the students have admirable social elements *and* are being run with business discipline.”

The students’ desire to blend entrepreneurialism, academic know-how and a passion for problem-solving shows why integrating the principles of *Veritas, Unitas* and *Caritas* into the University’s academic programs is a key element of Villanova’s Strategic Plan. The more students acquire global perspectives, develop leadership skills and understand social and economic injustice, the more effective they will be at devising viable solutions in their chosen fields. From reducing food insecurity among children to providing medical devices to developing regions, the VSEC finalists proved what can happen when Villanovans unite creative minds and caring hearts.

“This desire to work together to improve the lives of people around the world is what Villanova stands for,” says Kathie DeChirico ’08 E-MBA, a



Back row: VSEC mentor Russell Rosa '90 VSB and VSEC judge James Drobile Jr. '83 VSB, '92 MBA. Front row: Nicholas Mozer '12 A&S (left) and Jeffrey Savio '12 VSB (right), members of the runner-up Keep It Warm group; and Katherine Weatherbie '11 CON, member of the first-place Nova Mobile Health.

VSEC mentor who works in business development. "Villanovans have nothing more to prove than that they are here to make a difference."

The competition is the perfect example. Conceived by engineering students Ronald Warzoha '08, '10 MS and Tim Montalbano '08, '10 MS, it encourages students to use their knowledge to solve problems associated with poverty. This past year, 26 applicants from all four colleges entered the race, submitting detailed proposals and competing for awards totaling \$40,000 in cash and in-kind

consulting services that would help the winning entries advance their ideas to the start-up stage.

For entrepreneur and VSEC judge William Midon, Esq., '75 COE, the Strategic Plan's emphasis on integrating Augustinian principles ensures that truth, unity and love will continue to shape the educational experience at Villanova. "Undergraduates learn that there is something 'out there' beyond themselves. Events like this competition connect compassionate students with opportunities to have a real impact."



Kelly Stoner '08 A&S received a Fulbright Award to study carnivore conservation in Botswana.

Villanovans Garner Fulbright and Other Prestigious Awards

BY SHAWN PROCTOR

One of the top producers of Fulbright awards for US students, Villanova University continued its tradition of academic excellence with five Fulbright Award winners and four alternates this year.

Since 1993, more than 950 Villanova students have applied for national fellowships. Of those, 258 have advanced to finalist status, while 144 have received awards. These Villanovans demonstrate a fulfillment of the University's educational promise, including a passion for discovery and commitment to lifelong learning.

The five winners are Kathleen Devlin '11 A&S, who will be a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant in Malaysia; Colleen Knill '11 A&S, who will be a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant in South Africa; Mary Kulhowick '11 A&S, who will be a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant in Indonesia; Tiffany Locke '11 A&S, who will be a Fulbright

English Teaching Assistant in Germany; and Kelly Stoner '08 A&S, who received a Fulbright Award to study carnivores in Botswana.

Other recipients of awards and fellowships include:

- Ivanley Noisette '08 A&S, who received a George J. Mitchell Scholarship to study human rights law and transitional justice at the University of Ulster in Northern Ireland
- Ryan Flynn '08 A&S, who received a Fulbright-Hays Award to participate in an intensive Chinese language acquisition and professional development program in Beijing
- Caitlin Fouratt '04 A&S, who received the Wenner-Gren Dissertation Research Fellowship to conduct doctoral research in Costa Rica and Nicaragua and the IIE/Mellon Graduate Fellowship
- Janelle Steves '10 A&S, who was awarded a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship to pursue a PhD in Organic Chemistry at the University of Wisconsin, Madison
- Alicia Kennedy '11 MS, who was awarded a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship to pursue a PhD in Evolutionary Biology at the University of Texas, Austin
- Alexander Lundy '11 A&S, who was awarded a Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme Fellowship to teach English in Japan
- Katarina Mayers '11 A&S, who was awarded a 2011–12 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship for studies at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile
- Jelena Renic '13 A&S, who was awarded a DAAD-RISE competitive internship to conduct research at the Technische Universität in Dortmund, Germany
- Anu Thomas '13 A&S, who will be studying Arabic language and culture in Jordan as a recipient of the National Security Education Program Boren Scholarship
- Jessica Wamala '13 A&S, who was awarded the Charles B. Rangel Scholarship to study international affairs through its summer enrichment program at Howard University
- Stephanie Cheung '14 VSB, who was awarded two nationally competitive scholarships, the Gilman and the Freeman-Asia, to support her semester of study in Hong Kong next year
- Jerisa Upton '14 A&S, who was awarded a Critical Language Scholarship to study Chinese in Beijing during summer 2011

Ready for Download

Interdisciplinary Course Prepares Students for Creative Thinking

BY JENNIFER SCHU

With many sectors reeling from the rough economy, the nearly \$15 billion mobile application industry is a beacon, drawing hopeful new grads who have great ideas for Google Androids and Apple iPhones.

The timing was perfect for “Mobile Device Programming,” a new course launched this past spring by Villanova’s Center for Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship (ICE). The interdisciplinary course, which was taught by three professors, brought together computer science, business and engineering students and gave them a leg up on coveted careers in the mobile app industry.

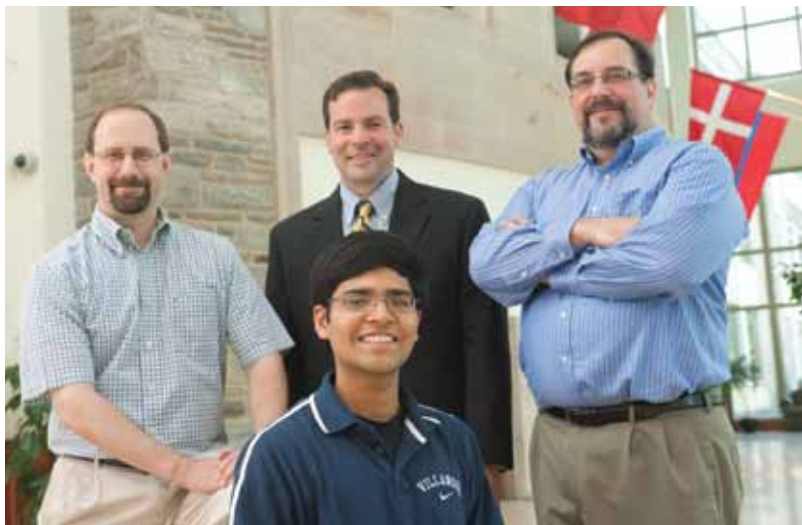
The course is the type of offering that characterizes the academic experience at Villanova. Such offerings build connections between graduate and undergraduate programs and between curricular and extracurricular student experiences. They reach across the disciplines both within and across the colleges.

This summer, students who completed “Mobile Device Programming” are working for Apple Inc., Google Inc. and SAP—including Michael Greco ’12 VSB, who is spending the summer interning at Apple’s legendary headquarters in Cupertino, Calif. “I’ll be helping them develop a mobile application that ties into their SAP implementation,” he said. “It’s absolutely incredible!”

It was ICE Director Patrick Maggitti, PhD, who brought together Frank Klassner, PhD, associate professor, Computing Sciences; Sarvesh Kulkarni, PhD, associate professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering; and William Wagner, PhD, associate professor, Accounting and Information Systems—and presented his idea for the course.

Dr. Maggitti had been aware that Dr. Klassner, director of Villanova’s Center of Excellence in Enterprise Technology (CEET), was conducting iPhone programming projects within CEET and that Dr. Kulkarni was studying the use of smart-phone hardware for medical purposes in developing countries. He had also talked with Dr. Wagner about the size and growth of the app market. Inspired, Dr. Maggitti decided it was time to combine the disciplines in a single course.

With the help of ICE Advisory Board member James Drobile Jr. ’83 VSB, ’92 MBA, the course was brought to the attention of Anthony Melone ’82 COE, a College of Engineering advisory board member and global chief technology officer for Verizon Wireless. Melone convinced his firm to provide the



Sai Gouravajhala ’12 COE (front) was one of the students enrolled in the Mobile Device Programming course, team-taught by (l to r) professors Frank Klassner, PhD, Computing Sciences; Patrick Maggitti, PhD, director, Center for Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship; and William Wagner, PhD, Accounting and Information Systems.

class with five Droid X phones with data plans and tech support in addition to guest speakers. CEET provided iOS devices for students to program in the course and obtained free developer status for them through Apple’s University Developer Program.

The course was one of just two such programs sponsored by Verizon Wireless—the other is at the University of California in Berkeley. Teams of students—one each from computer science, engineering and business—were charged with combining their talents to develop and market a viable mobile application for either an Android or an iPhone.

“Working with business students helped me understand the market principles behind our application,” said engineering student Sai Gouravajhala ’12. “I learned important concepts such as market analysis, which I otherwise would not have fully understood. And the computer science students helped me figure out which features of our application were feasible, so we could better streamline it.”

Adds Greco, “It’s great to design an app, but you have to make sure it will sell. Coming from three colleges, we all had really different perspectives on the development process as a whole. There’s so much competition out there for jobs. This course made us all more well-rounded and marketable.”

Merger of Head and Heart

Derek Ferguson '11 VSB and Rob Hanlon '11 VSB

By JENNIFER SCHU

As an accounting and international business major interested in service, Rob Hanlon '11 VSB constantly brainstormed ways to use his particular skill set to help others. He was a founding member of the student organization Busi-

ness Without Borders, which allowed Villanova business students to use their business skills to help others. During his sophomore year he lived in Villanova's Service Learning Community, and as a junior he came up with the idea for the Villanova Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, which trains volunteers to prepare and file tax returns for individuals from low income households.

"Often families can receive a sizable refund—so the tax preparation assistance means a lot," Hanlon says. "It's a great way for business students to apply what they are learning to a service activity." He notes proudly that in 2011, the program returned \$92,050 to Philadelphia families.

Likewise, Derek Ferguson '11 VSB was dedicated to helping others, serving weekly at Urban Bridges, an adult education program in North Philadelphia, and participating in a Business Without Borders project focused on improving health care in Waslala, Nicaragua. His team found a way to utilize low-cost SMS messages to improve the delivery of health care in the region. Their efforts were rewarded with first place in the 2011 Villanova Social Entrepreneurship Competition.

Like Hanlon, Ferguson's passion for service was ignited through living in the Service Learning Community his sophomore year. "I have become committed to finding ways in which I can merge my business background with my desire to serve," he says.

Ferguson's and Hanlon's service also extended to their classmates. They were co-chairs of VSB Week 2011, an annual event intended to celebrate and showcase Villanova School of Business initiatives and expose students to emerging business trends. The week offered opportunities for personal growth through a variety of professional development and VSB community-building activities.



Rob Hanlon '11 VSB and Derek Ferguson '11 VSB

Philosophy of Service: The Same in any Language

By SUZANNE WENTZEL

Gisela Perez Camba '10 A&S rested at the volunteer center in Watari, Japan. She tried to process what she had seen—not just the breadth of destruction wrought by the earthquake and tsunami but also the depth of hope embodied in the residents as they salvaged building blocks for the future.

It was then that a stranger laid snacks on her table and said, “Thank you for Japan.”

From the moment Camba had signed on to assist with the massive cleanup effort, she and fellow volunteers had received such expressions of gratitude. “Even if they weren’t the ones being helped, people took it personally and thanked us for what we were doing.”

Since 2010, Camba has been working in Mie Prefecture as part of the Japanese Exchange and Teaching Programme, which promotes foreign-language education and internationalism. When the call for volunteers came, she seized the chance to aid those most afflicted by the disasters. This was

the response her experiences at Villanova had instilled in her.

“Villanova’s culture of volunteerism shaped my philosophy of service,” says Camba, who, as a student, had participated in Urban Bridges Adult Literacy Program and other forms of outreach. In addition, her classes in political science, business, and Chinese and East Asian studies had challenged her to look systematically at problems so that she could better understand how people’s quality of life could be improved.

Such is the foundational relationship between *Caritas*, academics and service at Villanova. The Strategic Plan advances this relationship by calling for an expansion of efforts focused on such areas as ethics, sustainability and Catholic Social Teaching. As a result, more and more students are sharing Camba’s wise viewpoint.

“Villanova plants seeds that grow *not* into a sentimental desire to help but into a mature way of life in which you have the capacity to understand people’s needs.”



Gisela Perez Camba '10 A&S (dressed in yellow-orange) and a fellow volunteer with the Okinawa Self Defense Force, which sets up camps to provide necessities such as electricity and water





II The Next Generation: A Diverse Intellectual Climate

Strong discourse and diversity of thought are essential to the health of a premier university. Villanova will increase enrollment of high-achieving students and provide students from wide-ranging backgrounds with a caring intellectual environment. The following stories highlight the caliber of Villanova's students.

Defining Class

Best and Brightest Choose Nova

BY SHAWN PROCTOR

Even before they arrive on campus, the University's new freshmen have made a distinctive mark at Villanova. They set the bar for the highest number of applications, with 15,393 received. Applications came from all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia; Puerto Rico and the US territories; and 87 countries. The targeted freshman class remains 1,630.

Early action applications also achieved a new record, with 6,999 applications. Of those selected, 88 percent ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school class, if reported. As expected, they notched stellar academic records, with the middle 50 percent of the accepted students having SAT scores ranging 1350-1440; ACT scores ranging 30-33; and GPA ranging 3.84-4.26 on a 4.00 scale.

The Honors Program has ramped up recruitment of early action candidates as well. Instead of applying separately to Honors, select students upon their early action acceptance notification to the University are concurrently offered admission into the Program.

The University continues to be committed to providing financial assistance to students, on the basis of a family's ability to contribute. Among members of the 2011-2012 freshman class, 74 percent of those who applied for need-based assistance were eligible to receive some type of assistance; 79 percent of those eligible for need-based assistance received Villanova Grants. And more than \$15 million Villanova Grants were awarded, with an average award totaling \$22,300.

In addition, Villanova has forged partnerships with like-minded organizations and schools such as the Cristo Rey Network, National Hispanic Institute, Randy Foye Foundation and Milton Hershey School, which believe in helping underserved students in realizing their educational dreams.

"These initiatives and relationships are not only reflective of our University's mission but also our strategic plan," says Michael Gaynor '88 MS, director of University Admission.

The Long and Winding Road

Daisy Ayllon '11 A&S

BY SHAWN PROCTOR

Whether raising money in support of affordable housing or studying for an upcoming final, Daisy Ayllon '11 A&S brings powerful drive to her academic and service ambitions.

And her hard work is paying off for her as much as it is paying it forward for others. A recipient of several scholarships, including ones from Ronald McDonald House of Charities and Children's Fund of Chester County, Ayllon began the next chapter of her compelling story this summer.

She left her family in Kennett Square to complete a 4,000-mile cycling expedition from Virginia to Oregon to raise awareness of the affordable-housing crisis with Bike and Build. Just six days later, Ayllon began her studies at Chicago-Kent College of Law, where she received a full-tuition merit scholarship.

Both experiences offer a perfect integration of service and the spirit of St. Augustine, who famously wrote, "The world is a book and those who don't travel read only a page," according to Ayllon, who was raised in Mexico until age 13 and is the first female in her extended family to attend college.

"It is the perfect end to my undergraduate career," she says.

Above and Beyond

Even as a freshman, Daisy impressed Kristina Ruiz-Mesa '05 A&S, '07 MA, program director of the St. Thomas of Villanova Scholars Program. She remembers Ayllon was something special, a unique person who channeled incredible positive energy through every aspect of her life.

"Daisy's amazing and will do whatever it takes to accomplish her goals," she says. "The law school scholarship was above and beyond what we were expecting, but I can't think of someone more deserving."

In turn, Ayllon acknowledges the role that Ruiz-Mesa played in easing her transition from small-town life to a bustling campus. "She understands where I come from. She was the bridge that connected me to many great people at Villanova."

Ayllon believes, like her Villanova Communication degree, attending law school will provide her with flexibility and a broad set of skills to develop her interests. In any case, she knows the future will involve service to community and helping others discover similar opportunities to the ones she has been offered.

"I believe in investing in people, just the way that people have invested in me," she says.



Academic standout Daisy Ayllon '11 A&S cycled 4,000 miles to raise awareness of the affordable-housing crisis in America.

Honors' Role

The Honors Program is doing its part to help enroll the highest-achieving applicants to Villanova. This year for the first time, early-action candidates who were admitted to the University were simultaneously invited into the Honors Program. A special information session was held for these students and their families during Early Action Candidates' Weekend, and the response was overwhelming. In addition, Honors leadership and faculty are revising the Honors experience to make it more distinctive, to give students more opportunities to talk about ideas outside of the classroom and to encourage them to become intellectual leaders on campus.



Caroline Kemp '13 CON has merged her academics, service and faith at Villanova.

Called to Action

Caroline Kemp '13 CON

Unlike many students who come to Villanova, Caroline Kemp '13 CON did not have the typical experience of those who feel at home the first moment on campus. However, she had doubts as to how an 18-year-old just trying to figure out when to use meal points and how to order an omelet could strive for truth, unity and charity in real life.

At the St. Thomas of Villanova Day of Service, Caroline walked into the answer. The Pavilion resounded with energy, and Caroline found herself surrounded by thousands of engaged students, faculty and staff who came out to spend the day serving others. Here were people called to action and service, as much as academic excellence; here was home.

"I'll never forget it," she says. "Within my passion for service, I have a strong faith. I wanted to discover more ways to incorporate it into my life, and Villanova is the perfect place for that."

Now a junior, she has made service a priority of her college experience in addition to the rigorous nursing curriculum, including involvement in the leadership learning community, Reaching Urban Individuals By Action and Love (RUIBAL), Center for Faith and Learning, Special Olympics and School for the Future. Additionally she served as a tour guide and ambassador for the College of Nursing, a Eucharistic Minister, Honors ambassador and even co-founded the Villanova Women's Club Golf Team.

This summer Caroline, who is from Northeastern, Md., worked as a student nurse extern. That experience, she says, has given her an opportunity to enhance her nursing knowledge and practice.

She sees how she has grown academically, emotionally, spiritually—the road already traveled gives her faith for the years ahead. "Whichever path I take after Villanova, I know that community service and service learning will always be a part of my life."



A man with short dark hair, smiling, is standing on stone steps. He is wearing a light blue and white striped button-down shirt and dark grey trousers. To his left, the arm and leg of a woman in a blue and white patterned dress are visible. The background is a stone wall.

III

National Stature

Faculty Scholarship and Graduate Programs

To attract the most talented academicians, practitioners and students, Villanova will continue to pursue excellence in graduate and professional education and in faculty scholarship. It also will invest in programs that have a positive impact on society and enhance its national reputation. Here is a sampling of the exciting research being conducted by prominent and promising faculty.

High Energy Research

By SUZANNE WENTZEL

When most people look at food scraps, junk mail and grass clippings, they see waste. Researcher Justinus Satrio, PhD, assistant professor of Chemical Engineering, sees renewable energy sources that may one day reduce reliance on fossil fuels.

The system for using biomass—organic materials ranging from forest residue to municipal solid waste—to produce energy, chemicals and fuels involves such steps as biomass production, pretreatment, conversion and upgrading. “The challenge,” says Dr. Satrio, who focuses his research on inedible biomass, “is developing a large-scale system that is economically and environmentally sustainable.”

Working out of the new Biomass Resources and Conversion Technologies Laboratory, Dr. Satrio and his graduate and undergraduate assistants are contributing to the multidisciplinary effort to develop such a system. For example, a thermochemical process called fast pyrolysis converts biomass into a liquid form called bio-crude oil (BCO), which has an energy density 10 times the original biomass. BCO can be burned as a heating fuel and upgraded to make transportation fuels. Dr. Satrio’s team is investigating how to improve the quality of BCO and optimize its use.

In addition to synthesis gas and BCO, the fast-pyrolysis process also yields biochar, just as burning wood produces ash. The researchers are characterizing biochars to better understand how biomass-production parameters relate to biochar properties. Biochar is important because, rich in carbon and nutrients, it helps replenish soil and slow global warming.

“Instead of just letting biomass decompose, we create energy from it and put back what is necessary for soil and thus make the process more sustainable,” Dr. Satrio says.

Dr. Satrio was attracted to Villanova because the College of Engineering has emerged as a leader in sustainable engineering and provides the kind of environment described in the Strategic Plan—one in which research, scholarly excellence and student-professor partnerships thrive. These factors enhance the University’s commitment to teaching and outreach. “I was excited about Villanova’s emphasis on education and the sense of service shared by everyone.”

Back to Basics

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL

Few would apply the “if-it-ain’t-broke-don’t-fix” maxim to the US government. After all, who hasn’t griped about politics? Yet with the 24/7 onslaught of political headlines, commentators barely have time to react to political situations, let alone contextualize them. If government doesn’t always work the way it should, then the country needs solid analysis from experts who know the blueprints, understand the architects and can assess the structure’s integrity.

Fortunately, the country has Lara Brown, PhD, assistant professor of Political Science. Dr. Brown is fascinated by the structural and institutional procedures designed to ensure that government does what the Framers of the Constitution intended. She researches these procedures and the dysfunction that occurs when “political creativity” alters them.

Case in point: Dr. Brown is coediting a book about the leadership dilemma of presidents. As it was set up, the institution of the presidency, says Dr. Brown, demands that chief executives be national leaders who defend national interests. Yet, by virtue of the selection process, they also lead their respective parties. “Presidents face a difficult choice: do they lead from a national position or from a party position?”

Dr. Brown also is writing a book about the impact of scandals and subsequent media coverage on incumbents. She and coauthor Girish Gulati of Bentley University maintain that while the electoral cycle, as it has evolved, protects disgraced incumbents, media coverage helps drive these officials out of office. “The more coverage the scandal gets, the more likely you are to retire or resign—or be forced out by your party.”

An expert often quoted in the media, Dr. Brown is one of the many faculty who enhance Villanova’s national stature. And because she believes that research, writing and teaching are integral to the life of a scholar, Villanova is a perfect fit. “I learn from my students. When they are thoroughly engaged in class, nothing is more rewarding.”



Order out of Chaos

BY JENNIFER SCHU

Erasmus Kersting, PhD, assistant professor, Economics, says he is fascinated by his field because “it tries to explain something seemingly chaotic—human behavior, choice and interaction—by using something extremely rigorous: mathematics.”

There are always intriguing puzzles to solve—such as the large differences in output per worker across countries. How do firm-specific actions—in particular, innovation—affect productivity? And what is the role of the financial sector in facilitating higher productivity? That is the subject of a recent IMF working paper by Dr. Kersting, whose research has been published in the *Review of Economic Dynamics* and the Staff Papers series of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

“[The] research suggests that innovation, broadly defined, is crucial for firm performance—it directly and measurably increases productivity—and its effect on productivity is mediated through the financial sector,” Dr. Kersting says. “Firms reap the maximum benefits from innovation in countries with well-developed financial sectors. This effect is particularly

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— Erasmus Kersting, PhD,
assistant professor, Economics



important for firms in high-tech sectors, which typically have higher external financing needs.”

A native of Hannover, Germany, Dr. Kersting received a doctoral degree in Economics from Texas A & M University and an MA in economics from the Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel in Germany. He came to Villanova in the fall of 2010 from the department of Economics at Southern Methodist University—and the return to Pennsylvania was a homecoming of sorts.

“I spent the academic year 2001-2002 at Penn State University. That’s where I took my first PhD-level economics courses, and where I met my wife-to-be, Maureen,” he smiles. “Both were important factors in my decision to pursue graduate studies in the US.”

He says he chose to come to Villanova because of the excellent reputation of the Villanova School of Business and the fact that the University places equal emphasis on teaching and research. As a result, Villanova has attracted some of the best teacher-scholars in the nation.

Dr. Kersting recently received the Research Excellence Award from the Villanova School of Business’ Center for Global Leadership. He says, “I love to teach, and here they prize both research and teaching. It’s good for our students and makes Villanova a great place to be.”

Augustine the Scholar Inspires Still

By JENNIFER SCHU

In 2002, Villanova University established the Augustinian Institute, designed as a resource that will place St. Augustine’s thought at the heart of Villanova education and campus life. The Institute’s international conferences on Augustine and his legacy attract leading scholars from around the world, making Villanova an even more prominent center for the study of Augustine. The presence of the Institute on campus as a kind of “think tank” also gives the Augustinian mission of the University a distinctive focus.

The Augustinian Institute’s director was the late Rev. Thomas F. Martin, OSA, PhD, a beloved Villanova theology and religious studies professor. In his memory, the Institute established The Thomas F. Martin Saint Augustine Fellowship, a new initiative to foster scholarship with the Augustinian tradition and designed to broaden the Augustinian conversation at Villanova. Maureen A. Tilley, PhD, a professor of Theology at Fordham University, arrives on campus this fall as a St. Augustine Fellow—and she is a fitting choice in many ways.

A renowned scholar and author of several books, including *The Bible in Christian North Africa: The Donatist Word* (Fortress, 1997), Dr. Tilley recently opened the 66th annual gathering of the Catholic Theological Society of America. She was a friend of Father Martin’s and collaborated with him on a project, “Devotion and Dissent: Christianity in Roman Africa.”

“There is such a sense of companionship with [Father] Tom [Martin] in having the fellowship in his name,” she says. “I feel closer to him for that. Friendship was so much a part of St. Augustine’s work.”

Dr. Tilley was also a contributor to *Augustine through the Ages: An Encyclopedia* (Eerdmans, 1999), which was edited by the Rev. Allan Fitzgerald, OSA, PhD, ’64 A&S, the Augustinian Institute’s current director. Her research specialty is the period when St. Augustine was battling the Donatists, a religious sect that appeared in North Africa in 311 and was still a force at the time of St. Augustine at the end of the fourth century.

“It’s an under-studied period of St. Augustine’s life, and I look forward to sharing it with Villanova students,” Dr. Tilley says.



Maureen A. Tilley, PhD

Star Real Estate

By JENNIFER SCHU

Are we truly alone in the universe—or are there other, Earth-size planets suitable for life? That's the focus of research Villanova University astrophysicist Andrej Prsa, PhD, is conducting as part of the National Aviation and Space Administration's (NASA) Kepler Mission.

Dr. Prsa, a research assistant professor in Villanova's Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics, is one of the science collaborators on the project that will continuously observe more than 150,000 stars over the next 3½ years looking for planets comparable in size to Earth that orbit in the habitable zone of their host stars. As chair of the Kepler Mission's Eclipsing Binary Working Group, he tracks and catalogs eclipsing binary stars.

"Eclipsing binary stars are the cornerstone of stellar astrophysics," he explains. "Analyzing eclipsing binary data enables astronomers to determine the masses, radii and temperatures of stars."

Discovering planets around other stars has been a major endeavor in the past 20 years, Dr. Prsa says. "There is something called the habitable zone around every single star. It is a strip of a given distance from the host star, where liquid water can exist. If we are thinking about life as we know it here on earth, you would think you would need liquid water to sustain it. Kepler's main objective is to find Earth-like planets in the habitable zones."

Dr. Prsa and his colleagues presented their preliminary findings at the American Astronomical Society Symposium in Seattle this past January. Dr. Prsa and his presence on campus have helped further strengthen the reputation of Villanova's

department of Astronomy and Astrophysics as one of the best in the nation.

He currently has six Villanova undergraduate students helping him with his research, and this June two of them accompanied him to work on-site at Kitt Peak National Observatory in Tucson, Ariz.

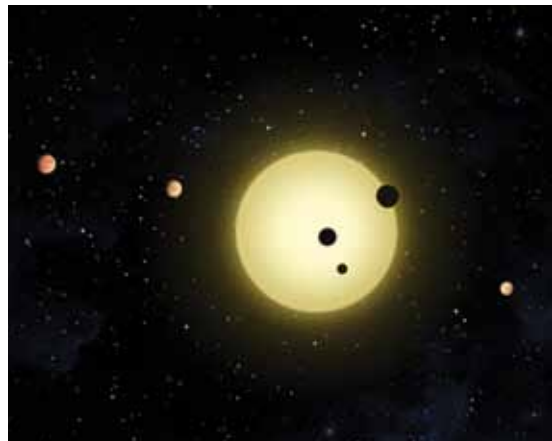
"They really enjoy the experience, especially the observatory part, as the dome and telescope are the size of a building!" he says.

A native of Ljubljana, Slovenia, Dr. Prsa initially came to Villanova to do post-doctoral work for one year—"and I have stayed five," he says with a smile. In 2006, he had been about to accept a position in France when he met Edward Guinan, PhD, Villanova professor of Astronomy and Astrophysics, at a conference. He was already an admirer of Dr. Guinan's work.

"I chose Villanova because the University is known for stellar astrophysics, and I love it here," Dr. Prsa says.

Dr. Prsa also clearly loves his work. Starting with establishing the first astronomy club at his high school, through his undergraduate and post-graduate studies at the University of Ljubljana, to his notable work with the Kepler Mission, he is acquiring a growing reputation in his field. Yet he is quick to downplay his accomplishments.

"Everybody wants to be an astronomer when they're a kid," he laughs. "I just never grew out of it."



Nursing Research Fights Obesity

By SHAWN PROCTOR

Two-thirds of adults in the United States are either overweight or obese, and 17 percent of adolescents and children age 5 and older are overweight. As the rate of obesity among Americans continues to rise, risk for diseases like hypertension and Type II diabetes skyrockets.

Is there any wonder that the most critical public health threat of the century, according to US policymakers, is obesity?

A registered and licensed dietician Marcia Costello, PhD, RD, LDN, assistant professor College of Nursing, has long been an expert in nutrition. She is now turning a critical eye on diet's contribution to the obesity epidemic, along with Sara J.

Measuring Up: Excellence in Graduate Programs

By SUZANNE WENTZEL

Through their scholarship, faculty make a name for themselves—and Villanova. Here's a sampling of other ways in which the University is securing a national reputation at the graduate level:

Graduate Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences combines the proven with the innovative to educate annually 1,600 professionals, research-oriented students and adult learners:

- 70 degree and certificate programs
- Renowned doctoral program in Philosophy
- New online master's program in Human Resource Development (one in Public Administration is in the works)

Crafted to meet current and future health-care needs, the College of Nursing's Graduate Nursing Program offers doctoral programs, as well as 11 master's concentrations and post-master's certificates. Strategic growth is evidenced by the

- Awarding of nine PhDs this year
- Launch of the Family Nurse Practitioner master's program
- Development of a new doctoral program in Nursing Practice
- Awarding of an NIH grant to integrate care of people with physical disabilities into the Nurse Practitioner program

Booming enrollment in the PhD program highlights the caliber of graduate studies and the reputation of faculty in the College of Engineering. Other indicators include

- Distinctive master's degree program in Sustainable Engineering
- Expansion of Chemical Engineering research

- into areas of bio-processing and bio-energy
- Global partnerships and recruitment of under-represented students into graduate programs
- Opening of new Philadelphia Navy Yard Learning Center

Through increased program options, resources and services, the Villanova School of Business has emerged as a graduate-education leader:

- Immersion experiences and an international consulting practicum that strengthen the global perspective of MBA students
- Specialized master's programs in Accountancy and Finance that attract international students
- Nonprofit consulting projects that align with Villanova's mission



Peter Spitaler, ThD, director, Graduate Program, Theology, leads a discussion of parables of the New Testament.

Reeder, PhD, RN, associate professor of Nursing; Marita Frain, MEd, '69 CON, assistant professor of Nursing; and Paul Lupinacci, PhD, assistant professor of Mathematics.

Funded by the College's Center for Nursing Research, they studied 115 African-American and Asian-American students in an inner-city school to see whether breakfast and activity habits like television watching or sports correlated with body mass index (BMI) and blood pressure. Their research was presented at the Eastern Nursing Research Society's Annual Scientific Sessions in 2009.

"In those kids who skipped breakfast or stopped at the corner store for chips and soda we noticed

alarmingly high rates of hypertension among these obese children," Dr. Costello says, adding that many of the chronic health problems these children faced were normally considered "adult diseases."

The College of Nursing is taking aggressive steps to fight obesity by establishing the MacDonald Center for Obesity Prevention and Education, funded by the Take Shape for Life and MacDonald Family foundations. Under the guidance of national experts like Center Coordinator Denice Ferko-Adams, MPH, RD, LDN, it will serve as a model for the promotion of healthy weight management, obesity prevention and intervention through education.



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IV The Value of Villanova

Sharing Our Story

To achieve our strategic goals, we first must create a shared understanding of exactly who we are and a shared lexicon for the benefits we offer. In other words, our entire community must know by heart what we are promising prospective students and all our constituents. When this occurs, we will be able to communicate our distinctive identity and better tell the Villanova story.

A Story Worth Telling: Villanova Past, Present and Future

BY SUSANNAH MORROW

All Villanovans know what makes Villanova unique. But how do we get that message across to the rest of the world? How do we describe what makes our University special to those who don't know it? We can't just say "community," "service" or "Augustinian." It is important to convey what those concepts really mean—and how they define the Villanova experience.

Better communicating Villanova's distinctive identity to an ever-expanding national audience is crucial to the success of the Strategic Plan—so crucial, in fact, that it commands its own "pillar" in the overall structure of the plan: Pillar IV, "The Value of Villanova: Sharing Our Story."

"Every one of us knows there is a special feeling at Villanova; however, it can be hard to explain that feeling to people who aren't a part of our community," says Ann Diebold, vice president of University Communication. "Through research conducted during the strategic planning process, we learned that Villanova is not as well known nationally as we'd like. In order to expand awareness and understanding geographically—beyond the northeast region—it became clear that we needed a shared language to effectively and consistently talk about exactly who we are."

In the fall of 2009, Villanova University partnered with Neiman Group, a leading marketing firm, to begin a highly collaborative, research-based process to clarify our Villanova story. For more than 18 months, thousands of Villanovans—alumni, faculty, staff, current students—along with prospective students and parents participated in online surveys, workshops and discussions. The goal was to develop

messaging about Villanova that was true, compelling and different from what all the other colleges and universities are saying.

We learned through discussions with the Villanova community that Villanovans are people who want to—who work to—ignite change. They want to make a difference. This message also resonated with prospective students and parents. But while they liked the idea that Villanova is a place that attracts and forges world changers, they also said, “Prove it.”

That’s the easy part. We all know members of our community who are creating a positive impact wherever life has taken them, and we will be collecting and celebrating those stories. Even more importantly, though, we must communicate—especially to future Villanovans—what it is about Villanova that creates this experience, this atmosphere, this community that calls people to ignite change.

So what is at the heart of Villanova University? It is our Augustinian tradition. We need to be able to describe what it means to be an Augustinian Catholic university beyond the words “*Veritas, Unitas, Caritas*.”

What we heard in the thousands of conversations about the Villanova experience can be distilled to this: The Villanova University experience melds intellect and spirituality. Villanova’s Augustinian Catholic community urges self-exploration while rejecting self-centeredness. The Villanova journey yields ambition with a sense of mission; intellect inspired by faith. The result: Villanova attracts and forges world changers—people who create positive change everywhere life takes them.

Villanova’s Augustinian Catholic intellectual tradition is the cornerstone of an academic community where students learn to think critically, act compassionately and succeed while serving others. Villanova prepares students to become ethical leaders who create positive change everywhere life takes them.

This language and the stories of people who—through their Villanova experience—have been moved to ignite change give us a powerful way to talk about Villanova to others across the nation and across the globe. The success of Pillar IV of the Strategic Plan will be built on more than a University marketing plan. To be truly successful, we need our entire Villanova community to be inspired to tell our story to new audiences—and open new doors.

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Want to find out more about the Villanova Story? Want to read more stories of Villanovans? Visit www.IgniteChangeGoNova.com. While you’re there, take a moment to share your story of how your Villanova journey inspired you to ignite change.

IGNITING CHANGE THE NOVA WAY

Relief Efforts Spawn Foundation

Peter Groverman ’10

BY SHAWN PROCTOR

Nothing captures the spirit of the nonprofit organization the RELIEF Foundation better than the organization’s symbol: two hands coming together in the shape of a heart.

Standing for Relieving and Embracing Lives



Peter Groverman '10 VLS, founder, the RELIEF Foundation

Interrupted by Earth's Forces, RELIEF was founded by Peter Groverman '10 VLS to provide assistance to the people and areas that have experienced great hardship due to forces beyond their control.

The earthquake in Haiti last year created the impetus for Groverman, who had previously organized a humanitarian mission with friends during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005. Minutes after the disaster, he received a text asking about a mission to Haiti. Groverman established a Facebook group for the trip that, as people shared the link with friends and family, went viral.

Each of these people worked to solve the logistical problems of the mission, from insurance to chartering a plane, from gathering supplies to gaining clearance for landing at Port-au-Prince, the only airport in the country.

"This is the power of the network. We put it out there to the group and these amazing, amazing people are able to make it happen. It's proof that it feels good to do good," says Groverman, who operates his own exportation and international distribution company, where he has worked in conjunction with VLS professors.

In February 2010, 126 people, including the mayor of Coral Gables, Fla., made the journey. With the help of hospitals and charitable organizations, they loaded \$1 million in medical supplies, including six infant warmers. The 40,000 pounds of cargo even briefly shut down Miami International Airport.

"We spent four days and nights rebuilding an orphanage and changing thousands of lives. And what has made it possible is social media and technology," says Groverman, who is currently working at two Internet start-up companies. Though he loves the speed and immediacy of technology, he never forgets that it's about people. Each donor receives a handwritten thank-you card.

RELIEF continues its humanitarian work. Groverman organized two additional missions this year—one for tsunami relief in Japan in April and a second for hurricane relief in Georgia in May—and Groverman plans to return to Haiti with another group to help rebuild the battered country. Groverman's commitment to serving those in need reflects the values that Villanova Law School seeks to instill in all its students.

Equipped to Lead

Madeline Bell '83

By SHAWN PROCTOR

Tough times breed great leaders. In today's world, great leaders understand how to navigate times fraught with uncertainty, too.

So it goes for the health-care industry, which faces significant legislative reform as well as continued pressure to achieve excellent patient outcomes regardless of declining revenues. Take for example, the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), which had to cut \$60 million from its \$1.6 billion operating budget in 2009.

Madeline Bell '83 CON, president and chief operating officer at CHOP, believes her education and career prepared her to meet this challenge. After graduating from Villanova she took a job at CHOP as a night shift nurse before leaving for a job in a different health system division of planning and new business development.

It was a risk to move away from bedside care, she admits. "Many people think the only time you should make a career move is for a promotion. For me, some lateral moves made sense so I could learn new skills, meet new people and take on new challenges—it prepared me for the role I have today," says Bell, who received the Nursing Medallion for Distinguished Leadership in Administration of Health Care Services in 2007.

To trim CHOP's budget, they engaged the staff to help identify efficiencies and solutions like reducing printing costs and cutting benefits. Bell also had to make tough decisions to decrease administrative costs without impacting patient care. "I've had my share of sleepless nights over the times when I've had to eliminate positions."

As the leader of more than 12,000 employees at a top-ranked children's hospital, she reflects on the foundational education she received at Villanova and the lessons of professionalism that have shaped her career. "At the time, I didn't understand why I was exposed to courses in leadership that went beyond clinical skills. It was only later in my career I realized its value."



Madeline Bell '83 CON, president and chief operating officer, the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Making the Perfect Match

Coleen Burke '90

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL

Coleen Burke '90 COE, '99 MBA is a gifted matchmaker. For 15 years, she has paired mentors with students, job openings with graduates, fellowships with faculty and coworkers with educational opportunities. The parties in these matchups represent the company where Burke has built an impressive career and the university that

encouraged her to think strategically and act boldly. Because of her initiative, Boeing and Villanova enjoy a thriving, mutually beneficial relationship.

As a mechanical engineering major at Villanova, Burke had immersed herself in a rigorous academic program while pursuing opportunities to tone her leadership muscles. A lead member of the College of Engineering's first Team Solarcat, she helped design, build and race a solar-powered vehicle from Florida to Michigan. "These leadership roles allowed me to make—and learn from—mistakes. That's what education is about."

After landing a job at Boeing's Philadelphia site, Burke explored ways to promote her alma mater. Boeing had some interaction with Villanova because it was one of the schools with whom the company partnered through its University Relations Program. What started out as small steps—making phone calls, being a resource for students, getting test pieces donated to the College—led to Burke's becoming the official liaison between Boeing and Villanova.

Today the mature partnership continues to grow. She and alumni-coworkers strategize to strengthen relations in four areas: hiring, R&D, engineering-curriculum transformation and continuing education. "It's about sharing the capabilities we have to enhance student learning by providing mentoring and hands-on experiences that are directly transferable to the workplace," adds Burke.

Six years ago, Burke relocated to Huntington Beach, Calif., where she is director, Strategy and Business Capture, Phantom Works, Boeing Defense, Space & Security. Distance has not diminished her passion. "I don't think the University even notices how far away I am!" she laughs. "It proves that alumni don't have to live in Philadelphia to be involved with Villanova."



Coleen Burke '90 COE, '99 MBA, industry-university liaison extraordinaire



Alfonso Martinez-Fonts '71 A&S, executive vice president, US Forum for Policy Innovation

No Order too Tall

Alfonso Martinez-Fonts '71

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL

Alfonso Martinez-Fonts '71 A&S has spent the last 40 years saying, "I'm on it." When Chemical Bank needed him to turn a rep office in Manila into a thriving branch, he was on it. When Mexico defaulted in 1982 and the bank needed Martinez-Fonts to renegotiate the country's \$100 billion debt, he was on it. When a White House phone call led to his being asked to join the new Department of Homeland Security, he was on it.

And last October, when the US Chamber of Commerce invited Martinez-Fonts to be executive vice president of its new think tank on emerging issues, the US Forum for Policy Innovation, he was on it.

"I wish I could say I get these opportunities because I'm a genius," says Martinez-Fonts, a native of Cuba and political science major. "The truth is I'm not afraid to take them on. Villanova prepared me to think on my feet and developed in me the life skills I needed to succeed."

In his new position, Martinez-Fonts oversees the operations of the Forum, which brings together the Chamber's multimillion-dollar 501(c)(3) organizations: the National Chamber Foundation, the Institute for a Competitive Workforce and the Business Civic Leadership Center. Again he is being called upon to be innovative and visionary. How can he get these organizations to work together better? How can he create efficiencies among them?

"I've been given carte blanche," Martinez-Fonts says. "That's what I enjoy—the challenge to think creatively."

Many people would have been satisfied with a 30-year career that culminated in their being chairman and CEO of JPMorgan Chase in El Paso. Not Martinez-Fonts. Villanova educated his heart and his mind, inspiring him to pursue second and third careers to secure a brighter future for his adopted country. "I thought I'd retire when I hit 60, but I'm having too much fun!"



A Child, Home and Community client and her son pay Kathleen Dwyer (right) a visit.

Baby Steps to Brighter Futures

Kathleen Dwyer '76

BY JENNIFER SCHU

Teen moms seem to be everywhere these days, from reality TV shows to covers of tabloid magazines. While the media glamorizes teen pregnancy, the reality is quite different—as Kathleen Dwyer '76 MA well knows. As a teacher, she witnessed the challenges faced by pregnant teens and realized there was a strong need for an early intervention program.

“Teen parents are the most vulnerable parents in our communities,” Dwyer says. “By educating and supporting young mothers, we can help give their babies the best possible start in life.”

She and Doris Price, a school nurse, founded Child, Home and Community (CHC), a United Way nonprofit agency based in Doylestown, Pa. CHC provides prenatal, parenting, life skills and prevention education to young people in two Pennsylvania counties. Programs are offered at 10 local hospitals and in 15 school districts to provide education, support and advocacy.

CHC also helps teen mothers and fathers reach their educational and career goals, offering support

for school-age pregnant and parenting students to graduate from high school and develop a plan for future employment or further education. The encouragement from CHC gives the young moms and dads the clear message that even though they have had babies as teens, they should never give up on a bright future.

“Teen parents, like all parents, need support to be good caregivers and role models for their children,” Dwyer says. “Our goal is to help them build a better future for themselves and their babies.”

Dwyer says her desire to become a motivator of young people was fueled by her time at Villanova. She has strong ties to the University: her father, the late Joseph A. Dwyer '45 COE; son, John Thyberg Jr. '07 A&S; and uncle, William Rath, MD, '50 A&S are all graduates; and her father's cousin, the Rev. Edward Dwyer, OSA, is buried in the Augustinian Cemetery on campus.

“At Villanova, I learned not to judge others, but to encourage them to fulfill their potential and do whatever I can to make that possible,” she says.

Newfound Hope

Malual Deng Duot '11

By SUZANNE WENTZEL

When Malual Deng Duot '11 MA boarded the bus in January, he knew he was making history. His mission: to vote on a referendum that would grant autonomy to South Sudan. The vote represented more than the prospect of independence. It held out hope that war would never again ravage his homeland.

As a child, Deng Duot had endured the horrors of a civil war that began in 1983. Separated from family and home, he became one of the tens of thousands of "Lost Boys of Sudan." Without food, water, parental care or protection, these displaced children fought to survive as they made their way through hostile environments to refugee camps in Ethiopia and Kenya. Eventually, 3,800 boys, including Deng Duot, resettled in the United States.

When he came to Villanova to pursue a master's degree in political science, Deng Duot found a community institutionally invested in helping him tell his story and advocate for peace. In classrooms and other venues, he was invited to share insights into genocide, politics and life as a refugee. Speaking at a vigil organized by the Office for Mission and Ministry, Deng Duot and other Lost Boys stirred the hearts of attendees, many of whom contacted the White House to urge support for Sudan's peace-building efforts.

"People want to help but don't always know how," Deng Duot says. "I wanted to motivate others to speak out so that no one ever has to experience what we did."

Supported by faculty and administrators, Deng Duot also helped get out the vote. He encouraged fellow Sudanese to travel with him—on buses provided by Villanova—to Virginia to register for, and then to participate in, what would become a landslide victory for independence. "I was excited, not because I wanted to see the country divided but because separation will bring, we hope, lasting peace."

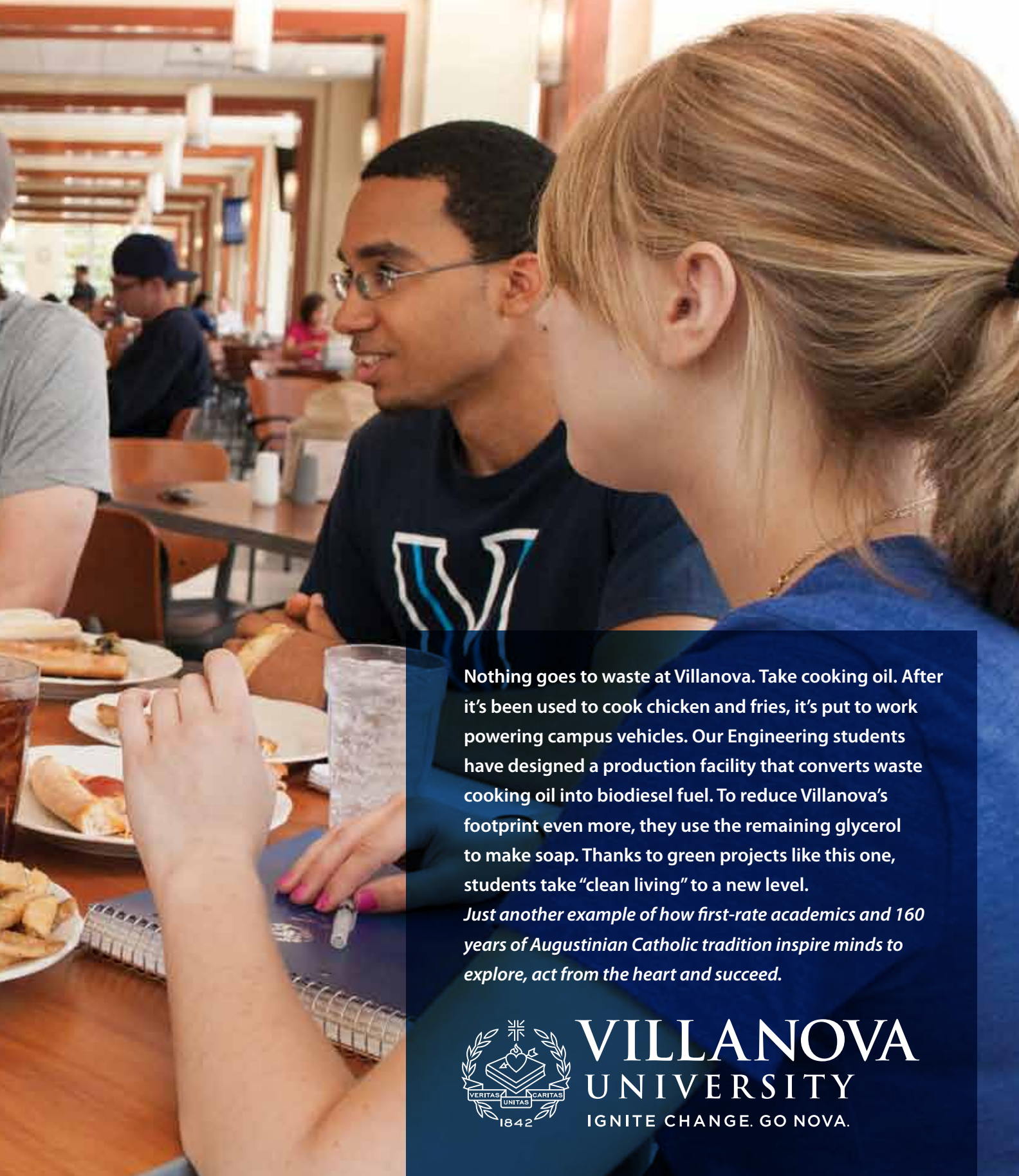


Malual Deng Duot '11 MA, who as a child was one of the tens of thousands of "Lost Boys of Sudan"

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Nothing goes to waste at Villanova. Take cooking oil. After it's been used to cook chicken and fries, it's put to work powering campus vehicles. Our Engineering students have designed a production facility that converts waste cooking oil into biodiesel fuel. To reduce Villanova's footprint even more, they use the remaining glycerol to make soap. Thanks to green projects like this one, students take "clean living" to a new level.

Just another example of how first-rate academics and 160 years of Augustinian Catholic tradition inspire minds to explore, act from the heart and succeed.



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The Villanova Endowment Securing Our Future

The success of the strategic imperatives of the first four pillars is predicated upon the success of the fifth: To reach the level of academic quality achieved by its aspirational peers, Villanova needs to grow its endowment. Thus, the University will more actively engage the community in building the financial resources and facilities needed to achieve its vision. The stories that follow illustrate the good that results when alumni and friends invest in Villanova's future.

Straight From the Heart

By JENNIFER SCHU

Patricia Holloway's love for Villanova goes back a long way. She earned an undergraduate degree in Education in 1976 and a master's degree in Counseling and Human Relations from the University in 1983 and worked at Villanova's Career Development Center. She and her husband, Gary '76 VSB, were married at St. Thomas of Villanova Church, and four of their five children graduated from the University.

"My husband and I wanted to make an important gift to Villanova, and Gary said to me, 'We need to do something that is close to your heart,'" she recalls.

The choice quickly seemed clear. Patricia Holloway finds great meaning in her life's work. With her therapist background she continues to counsel others by helping many face life's various challenges. The couple decided to donate \$3 million to endow the Patricia B. and Gary M. Holloway University Counseling Center.

"I wanted to do something that related closely to what I have received from Villanova," Holloway says. "I was so impressed with the base Villanova gave me, especially the background in education and counseling, which have helped me to be a good person and mom and to help others see things clearly."

As a counselor at Villanova, Holloway found that "the work embraced my heart, and my colleagues were like family."

Holloway feels that young people today are under a tremendous pressure to succeed from a young age. "I want to help give students a strong foundation to help them withstand the

pressure—so that when they move on and enter the world, they can be productive adults and hopefully give back to others.”

Holloway has made giving back a way of life. She is also a benefactor of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Malvern Preparatory School, NOPE (Narcotics Overdose Prevention Education), Paoli Hospital, Villa Maria Academy and St. Mary Magdalen Church and School. She serves as a trustee of the Main Line Health Board of Governors.

“Gary and I tell our children, ‘Giving back is the greatest feeling,’” she says. “Whatever you can offer at any level of your time, talents and treasure can make such a difference.”



Patricia Holloway '76 A&S, '83 MS, who, with her husband, Gary '76 VSB, endowed the Patricia B. and Gary M. Holloway University Counseling Center

Touched by an Angel

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL

The day had finally come. John Canuso '63 COE and his wife, Joan, were taking home their 9-year-old daughter, Babe. A leukemia patient, Babe had finished five weeks of treatment at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). During that time, the Canusos had often slept on cots in CHOP's hallways.

As he shook hands with Milton Donaldson, MD, Babe's doctor, Canuso said, "If there's anything I can help you with, let me know." Canuso never suspected that his words would lead to his renovating a fraternity house in Philadelphia into the first Ronald McDonald House—and to his creating a fund that today has raised more than \$2 million for cancer research.

"I didn't start out with these ambitions," says Canuso, 37 years later. "They needed a house. I was a homebuilder."

"They" included James Murray '60 A&S, then general manager of the Philadelphia Eagles. The idea was to provide a home away from home for patients' families.

The experience taught the Canusos that people want to give; they just have to be asked. They established the Canuso Foundation to raise money for research and to help families affected by cancer. Until 2005, when she died from a brain tumor, Babe was the face of the Foundation. "Babe's survivorship and personality inspired us and others," Canuso says. "Now she's our angel in heaven."

Through all his trials, Canuso has never forgotten his alma mater. "I loved Villanova from the moment I got there," he recalls. The strong community, the personal attention from the highest echelons and the University's spiritual character "engrained Villanova in my heart" and supported him during his darkest hours—as when, for example, he looked up from Babe's casket to see the Rev. Edmund J. Dobbin, OSA, STD, '58 A&S among the priests processing to the altar in the Southern New Jersey church.

In 1986, the Foundation created the Babe Canuso Fischer Endowed Scholarship. To date, it has awarded some 70 scholarships to Villanova students who have experienced financial hardship caused by illness. In addition, Babe's Kids, a division of the Foundation, has partnered with Villanova's Office of Disability Services to create Level,



John Canuso '63 COE, founder, the Canuso Foundation, which funded this room in the Ronald McDonald House of Southern New Jersey and has provided some 70 scholarships to Villanova students

a student organization that will raise awareness of disability issues on campus.

Perhaps the greatest reason Canuso holds Villanova dear is that fifty years ago, when he was a sophomore, he and Joan were married at St. Thomas of Villanova Church. "Joan is my partner and soul mate. Whatever we do, we do together."

Christine James Hits the High Note

BY JENNIFER SCHU

When Christine James, CFA, '91 VSB, '95 MBA landed her first job, the person who hired her said something she never forgot: "The only thing constant is change."

After two decades in the banking industry, she realizes how prescient he was. "The great irony is that I wanted a career that was stable and predictable but ended up in banking, which has been anything but!" she laughs.

Today, as Eastern Regional Manager, Institutional Client Service at Wells Capital Management, James is known as a leader who is open to change. And that's a good thing—because she's been through more than her share of mergers and acquisitions.

"I've been through buy side and sell side bank mergers as both a buyer and a seller in terms of the process and integrations," she says. "The one thing I've learned is that you have to be absolutely willing to do as many different things as possible, and to embrace change."

Her ability to do so stems from her years at Villanova, where she found a spirit of community and camaraderie extending all over campus—from classrooms to clubs and beyond.

Performing arts were her passion, and her very first day at Villanova was at music camp, where she bonded instantly with fellow Glee Club members. "By the time Orientation rolled around, I knew exactly where to go and had a tight circle of friends—which was great."

As a student, James worked in the University mailroom for three years. "The people I worked with were like my second family. They were so supportive."

In the classroom, she was inspired by Debra Arvanites, PhD, associate dean, Villanova School of Business, and assistant professor, Management and Operations. "Dr. Arvanites was very motivating and taught us that in business, we had to be willing to take risks."

Graduating in 1991 in the midst of a recession was a challenge, but James found a job in trust operations with what is now Wells Fargo Bank, NA. "Starting in operations was key to my career because I learned how things worked and how to get them fixed," she says. "The 'grunt work' is how you learn."

She quickly developed an interest in leadership—a skill set she believes should be cultivated and developed in those who show potential to be leaders. "I think women make some of the best lead-

ers because they are able to synthesize a group, understand its dynamics and figure out how to get the group to work together in the best way possible.”

James is a member of the Dean’s Advisory Council for the Villanova School of Business and has been a major supporter of its Center for Global Leadership.

“Christine is always working to promote Villanova in the humble, behind-the-scenes way she has, from giving generous donations to reaching out to prospective students. It’s nearly impossible to briefly summarize the extent of Christine’s dedication to Villanova, because it’s an integral part of who she is,” says Ellen Moran Lettrich ’91 A&S. “Remaining close with Christine has kept me connected to my own Villanova memories and constantly reminds me how special a place Villanova was for us all.”

Like many Villanova alumni, James loves to give back—and is generous in sharing her abilities and resources. In addition to supporting Villanova, she is also chair of the Director’s Guild of the Morris

Arboretum in Chestnut Hill, Pa., and president of the Board of Trustees of Lacordaire Academy—her alma mater—in Upper Montclair, NJ. She also enjoys participating in community theatre and chorale groups. She hasn’t had much time for it lately—her job involves 60 to 70 percent travel—but vows that someday she will return to the stage.

“That’s one of my goals—to get back into performing,” she says with a smile. “I still sing, though. I’m really loud in church!”



Donor Christine James ’91 VSB, ’95 MBA

From the Main Line to Park Avenue

By JENNIFER SCHU

With the growth of its endowment a key University priority, Villanova has opened its first dedicated regional advancement office at 245 Park Avenue in New York. It is part of the University’s plan to more actively engage the full University community in building the necessary financial resources

and facilities to achieve its vision.

The new office will provide a direct link from Villanova’s campus to midtown Manhattan and beyond, enabling alumni, parents and corporate partners to increase their involvement and support. It will help Villanova to connect more directly and frequently with its large number of constituents in the New York metro area.

“There are some really passionate and dedicated Villanova alumni in New York who have long

wanted an office here,” says Stephanie Cook, the new director of Major Giving for New York.

“Villanova is an institution that educates the whole person. For students to be in an environment that not only encourages academic excellence but also an understanding of and commitment to the betterment of humanity is very special,” Cook says. “Through increased engagement, our alumni can help more students enjoy the opportunity of a Villanova education.”

To further engage alumni in different parts of the country, the University has plans to launch more regional advancement offices. On Aug. 1, the Mid-Atlantic office, housed in the Washington, DC, area, opened. Overseen by Sherri Weston, formerly the director of Major Giving for the Villanova School of Business, the office serves the Mid-Atlantic and Southeast regions. A West Coast office is slated to open later this year.

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Stephanie Cook, director of Major Giving for New York

Heritage Society Members Create a Lasting Legacy

BY JAMIE MARSHALL

Most alumni will never forget their time at Villanova, but some have created a legacy to ensure that Villanova and its students will remember and thank them as well. These 450 people form the ever-growing and important Villanova University 1842 Heritage Society, comprised of alumni, parents, faculty and friends, have included Villanova in their wills, retirement plans or life insurance policies, or through other planned gifts.

In May, the University honored and recognized 40 Heritage Society members in a gathering in beautiful Picotte Hall at Dundale on Villanova's West Campus. The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S, University president, acknowledged and thanked the members in attendance, as well as those who could not attend.

"These kinds of gifts are usually left to family, and Villanova is honored to be considered as part of

each Heritage Society member's family," Father Donohue remarked graciously. "Making a charitable bequest is perhaps the most personal and profound way individuals can philanthropically support a mission they hold close to their heart."

The reception included Heritage Society members who graduated in the most recent decade to the decade of the 1940s, as represented by Krystin Fischer '05 A&S, Patricia and Joseph V. Topper Sr. '48 VSB and Barbara and William T. Walsh, Esq., '43 VSB.

Father Donohue highlighted Villanova's Strategic Plan, a road map for the next decade and a vision that will take the support and dedication of the entire University community. To learn more about the 1842 Heritage Society and view other types of planned gifts, visit www.villanova.edu/plannedgiving.



The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S with members of the Villanova University 1842 Heritage Society

Lacrosse Alumni and Program Score Big

BY MATT KIRSCH

It has been an exciting year for Villanova men's lacrosse. In April the program marked its 50th anniversary with a weekend-long celebration, which was highlighted by a banquet that brought together alumni, friends, former coaches and the 2011 team. Adding to the excitement of the past year have been the team's success and its alumni involvement.

During the 50th anniversary celebration, all in attendance were treated to a video capturing the history of men's lacrosse at Villanova. The video showed footage of the first lacrosse team and interviews with members of that inaugural squad.

"It was a great video which portrayed the feeling of family that all current and former Villanova lacrosse players feel," said Jim Carey '81 VSB.

One of the highlights of the evening was when Brett Jones shared memories of his older brother, Jim Jones. The Jim Jones Award was initiated in 1967 by friends and family of Lt. James Gradey Jones '64 COE, who was killed in a bombing raid over North Vietnam. It is given annually to the Villanova lacrosse player who best exemplifies loyalty, courage and dedication, not only in athletics but in everyday life.

On the playing field the Wildcats celebrated their 50th anniversary by earning the program's second appearance in the NCAA tournament and a national ranking as high as No. 7 during the season. Villanova finished with an 11-5 overall record in just their second season of competition in the BIG EAST Conference.

One of the key contributors to the Wildcats' success was Brian Karalunas '11 A&S, who became the first player in program history to be named All-American three times. Karalunas also garnered a number of academic distinctions following the season, including the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award, given annually to the most outstanding senior student-athlete in NCAA Division I men's lacrosse. The award recognizes notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition.

Although Karalunas' prolific college career just ended, he understands the importance of staying involved and giving back to Villanova.

"It is important to give back to Villanova student-athletes so that they can benefit from the same experiences I was fortunate enough to have. My time as a Villanova student-athlete has been instrumental to my individual growth, and it is important for other student-athletes to receive these same benefits."

An alumnus who has made a habit of giving back is Carey. He has created the James P. Carey Fund to provide support to the men's lacrosse program. Carey's fund provides financial support for critical operating expenses such as game and practice equipment, recruiting efforts, team travel expenses and game preparation, including filming and editing equipment.

"Jim has been an alumni leader for men's lacrosse in his time, efforts and both annual and endowment giving," said George Kolb, assistant vice president for Athletics Development. "He has been a role model to other alumni in terms of all of these things and loves the men's lacrosse program and the University."

"I give to Villanova because it is something that is very important to me," said Carey. "My fondest memories of my time at Villanova were the times spent with my brothers on the lacrosse field. I love to be involved in the program along with the many other alumni who support the team."

With support from Carey and many others, the men's lacrosse program has the opportunity to achieve more success in the future.



Brian Karalunas '11 A&S, Villanova lacrosse star, with Marianne and Walter Morris '64 VSB, donors to the men's lacrosse program

Campus Master Plan: Brains and Beauty Help Attract High Achievers

BY JENNIFER SCHU

When it comes to choosing a college, academics come first for most prospective students and their parents. Yet there's no denying that an attractive campus experience plays a pivotal role in decision-making. Given the choice of two universities with equally strong academics, a student will usually opt for the one with the better overall amenities.

While applications increase each year, Villanova competes with the top colleges and universities in the nation to convince the best and brightest to join its freshman class. With that in mind, the University continues to move forward on the recommendations set forth in its 30-year Campus Master Plan to enhance the educational experiences of its students.

Beginning in 2009, with the renovation of Fedigan Hall and its transformation into a "green dorm" and a model of sustainability, every project has made immediate impact—and there are more great things to come, according to Kenneth G. Valosky '82 VSB, vice president for Administration and Finance.

"Our Strategic Plan is focused on attracting increasing numbers of high-achieving students. While the latter are most impacted by a university's academic facilities—our strongest attribute—it presumes there is already a certain level of satisfaction with its student amenities," Valosky says. "With the Campus Master Plan, it was clear we needed to start first with student-focused projects such as residence halls, dining facilities and the campus landscape."

Two more student residences—Sullivan and Sheehan Halls—have undergone renovations, including the installation of air conditioning. The Dougherty Hall dining facility has been renovated, and the one in St. Mary's Hall was slated for a stunning transformation this summer, including a second-story lounge with flat screen televisions for student "Game Watch" gatherings.

Villanova's campus has always been attractive, but with its diversity of architectural styles, some connections between buildings are a visual weak point. The "Transforming the Campus Landscape" initiative, which began in May 2011, "is meant not only to beautify the campus and make it more pedestrian-friendly, but also to connect the form and function of the different buildings in the campus core," Valosky says.



The Awakening (also known as "the Oreo") was shifted to the Kennedy Oval as part of the "Transforming the Campus Landscape" initiative.

This summer, work began to convert the outdoor space between Connolly Center and Vasey Hall into a more functional and aesthetically beautiful gathering place. It will offer more outdoor seating, enhanced landscaping and easier navigation for those with mobility challenges.

"That space was not much more than a pass-through," notes Robert Morro, associate vice president for Facilities Management. "Our architect noted the dimensions of that area are almost the ideal dimensions of an Italian piazza, which is considered a perfect outdoor gathering space."

The space between Corr, Alumni and Austin Halls will have realigned pathways for better views of the campus' most beautiful buildings and a smaller, more intimate Grotto area to encourage contemplation.

Farther down the road are plans to transform Lancaster Avenue into a townscape complete with additional student housing.

When "Transforming the Campus Landscape" is complete, "campus will look and feel spectacular on a daily basis to the entire Villanova community—current and prospective students, parents, faculty, staff and alumni," Valosky says. "I think people will be amazed."

University Names Linney Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Jean Ann Linney, PhD, took over at the helm of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences on Aug. 15. As the new dean of the University's oldest and largest college, she brings a wealth of academic and administrative experience gained at such institutions as the University of South Carolina, the University of Notre Dame and the University of Alabama at Birmingham, where she served as interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Villanova community was able to briefly but enthusiastically welcome Dean Linney to campus on May 25, when University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S introduced her to a standing-room-only audience in the Connelly Center. Dean Linney, who holds a doctoral degree in



Jean Ann Linney, PhD, new dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S

psychology from the University of Illinois, says she is honored to have been chosen. "The University has an impressive history, and I look forward to being a part of Villanova's future."

Standard & Poor's Upgrades Villanova from "A" to "A+"

In its March 2011 report, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services raised Villanova University's issuer credit rating, along with its long-term rating and underlying rating, from "A" to "A+." This rating action reflects factors including the University's strong financial operating performance, prudent fiscal management, conservative debt structure and positive student-demand trends.

In determining Villanova's fiscal strength, Standard & Poor's cited the University's student demand—evidenced by enrollments, growing applications, selectivity, freshmen retention rates and student quality. It also noted the Univer-

sity's stable financial operations and prudent fiscal management. Standard & Poor's further cited the University's successful debt restructuring in 2010, resulting in a conservative fixed rate debt structure.

"This upgrade affirms the University's financial well-being, in spite of the overall economic environment we've faced in recent years," says Kenneth G. Valosky '82 VSB, Villanova's vice president for Administration and Finance. "Villanova has effectively balanced its priorities by moderating tuition and operating costs, while continuing to provide an outstanding educational experience to our students."

Cristo Rey Creates Access to Higher Ed

Villanova University entered into a partnership with the Cristo Rey Network to share in the ongoing commitment to ensure that all Cristo Rey Network graduates have access to the academic, social and financial supports they need to complete a college degree. Founded in 2001, the Cristo Rey Network comprises 24 high schools that provide a quality, Catholic, college-preparatory education to young people who live in urban communities with limited educational options. Only one in 10 low-income students beginning high school completes a post-secondary degree by age 24.

"This partnership reinforces our common view that engagement with students and families in need through education is a calling of the highest order," says University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S. "Cristo Rey believes, as we do, in the unlimited potential of all students, and we are privileged to be able to assist them in their vital work."

University Completes Middle States Process

Villanova has successfully completed the 10-year review process required to reaffirm accreditation from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), the unit of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools that accredits degree-granting colleges and universities in the Middle States region.

The process began with an Institutional Self-Study Design. More than 100 Villanova faculty, staff and students, led by a 20-member Steering Committee, examined how well Villanova's educational programs and services fulfill the University's mission, accomplish its institutional goals and meet the Commission's standards. The Middle States review process culminated with a visit to Villanova by a team of educators from peer institutions. The team, led by John J. DeGioia, PhD, president of Georgetown University, offered helpful recommendations and suggestions for Villanova to consider in the future.

Angel Choirs Singing

Beautiful voices blended with a beautiful venue when several Villanova choirs sang at St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. Representatives from three vocal groups—the all-male Singers, the all-female Voices and the Gospel Choir—raised their voices to the heights of the great dome during an evening Mass in March. Their appearance at the Basilica capped a performance tour of Italy that included stops at the Duomo in Spoleto, the Basilica of St. Benedict in Norcia and the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, as well as an unplanned concert at Rome's Trevi Fountain. Accompanying the students were Brian Meneely, associate director, Music Activities; Christine Nass, Voices director; and Ruth Winslow, Gospel Choir director.



Villanova vocal groups culminate their European tour with a performance at St. Peter's Basilica.

First-of-its-Kind “Blitz Build”

Students, staff, faculty and alumni will work shovel-to-shovel alongside the local community to construct a home in Villanova's first local “Blitz Build” Sept. 27–Oct. 1.

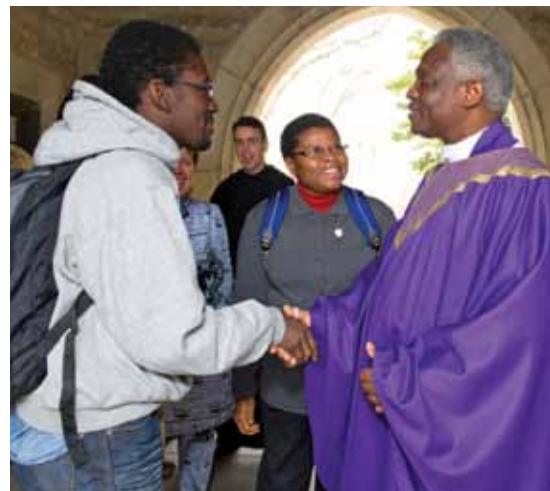
During the weeklong project, which will occur in conjunction with the annual St. Thomas of Villanova Day of Service, two groups of 10 volunteers will work in seven-hour shifts to rehabilitate a Montgomery County home. Certified construction workers provided by the Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County (HFHMC) will oversee the build, and the family who will own the home will contribute 200 hours of sweat equity.

For the Villanova community, it is more than just raising helping hands to build a home. This week-long Blitz is a testament to the 22-year partnership between the VU Campus Chapter and HFHMC grounded in community and long-term commitment. In the past four years, Villanova University Habitat for Humanity has fully sponsored two homes with HFHMC, including the affiliate's first LEED project and one of only a few LEED-certified rehab affordable housing units in the country. The Blitz Build will mark the Chapter's third full home sponsorship.

“Blitz Building” raises awareness of the affordable-housing crisis in America. It invests in the community. And for the family and the volunteers, no matter how tall the home is, the stories will last a lifetime.

Experts Examine Global Poverty

Cardinal Peter Turkson, president of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, delivered the keynote address at a conference on “Catholic Social Teaching and Global Poverty,” held March 21-22 in the Connelly Center. Hosted by the Office for Mission and Ministry in conjunction with the *Journal of Catholic Social Thought*, the conference explored not only ways to alleviate global poverty but also the structural conditions that cause it. Other noted speakers included Maria Terese Dávila, PhD, Andover Newton Theological School; the Rev. Daniel Groody, CSC, PhD, University of Notre Dame; and the Rev. James Stormes, SJ, University of San Francisco.



Members of the Villanova community greet Cardinal Peter Turkson, president of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, following daily Mass in Corr Chapel.

Reconciling God and Darwin

The 21st-century round of the debate that has continued since the days of Charles Darwin may pit “New Atheists” against Intellectual Design advocates. But according to John F. Haught, PhD, senior fellow, Science & Religion, Woodstock Theological Center, Georgetown University, viable alternatives to these extreme positions exist. Theology can make sense

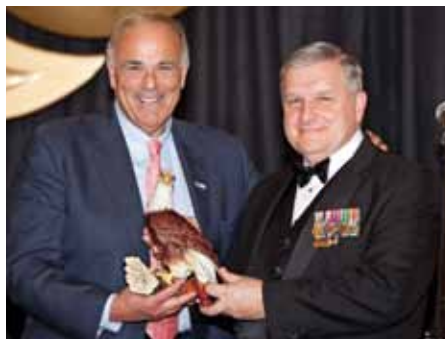
of evolution, Dr. Haught said during the Augustinian Institute's Vivian J. Lamb Lecture Series on Augustinian Thought and the Sciences on March 28. The key, he argued, is to recognize that such an explanation has many layers, including a scientific one and “an underlying divine wisdom [which] endows nature with self-creative capacities.”

General Zinni Honored by Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC (Ret.), '65 A&S, chairman of the Board of BAE Systems Inc., was honored with the *Semper Fidelis* Award by the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation. He received the recognition on April 8 at the Scholarship Foundation's 36th annual Marine Corps Scholarship Philadelphia Ball.

Zinni's award was presented by former Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell '68 VLS. The award recognizes leaders in business, military and civic life who have been outstanding and longtime contributors to the welfare of the US Marine Corps, US Marines and their families.

Zinni's distinguished 39-year military career has taken him to more than 70 countries and included numerous command assignments at the platoon, company, battalion, regimental, Marine expeditionary unit and Marine expeditionary force command levels. His final tour of duty was from August 1997 to September 2000 as the Commander in Chief, United States Central Command. During his military service career, Zinni earned 23 per-



Former Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell '68 VLS presents the *Semper Fidelis* Award to Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC (Ret.), '65 A&S.

sonal awards and 37 unit, service and campaign awards.

The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation honors those who serve in the US Marine Corps by helping to educate their children. The Philadelphia Ball has helped the Scholarship Foundation award almost \$5 million in 2011 to more than 1,600 children of Marines across the country, including students attending Villanova University.

Nobel Peace Prize Nominee Highlights Social Justice

Ambassador Tony Hall, who had been on a hunger fast to raise public awareness, spoke at Villanova in March about the devastating effects that Congress' proposed cuts to vital domestic and international anti-poverty and hunger programs would have on the poor and marginalized.

As the executive director of the Alliance to End Hunger and a former Congressman, Hall has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize three times. He was joined in the fast by Jim Wallis, president and CEO of Sojourners; David Beckmann,



Suzanne Toton, EdD, coordinator, Villanova University Partnership with Catholic Relief Services; Ambassador Tony Hall; and Barbara Wall, PhD, vice president for Mission and Ministry

president of Bread for the World; and Ritu Sharma, president of Women Thrive Worldwide.

Perspective from Afghanistan

Malalai Joya—author, former member of the Afghan parliament and self-described “voice of the voiceless”—spoke on March 30 to an audience of faculty, staff and students about political and social realities in Afghanistan. An outspoken champion of those who have lived through a generation of war, Joya, who founded an illegal school for girls when she was 16 and who has survived multiple assassination attempts, explained why she advocates the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan. After the talk, which was sponsored by the Center for Peace and Justice Education, Joya signed copies of her book, *A Woman Among Warlords*.



Malalai Joya, author of *A Woman Among Warlords*

Admitting Denial

In a message that began with a reality check and ended with a commission of hope, sociologist and author Allan Johnson, PhD, spoke on March 28 about the system of privilege and oppression that dominates American culture. Emphasizing that well-intentioned individuals participate in a system that produces horrific consequences, he challenged his audience to be part of a solution. The talk, titled “Living in Denial: How's it Working so Far?” was sponsored by the Center for Multicultural Affairs' Diversity Program Committee.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Inaugural Ceremony Salutes Faculty

At the inaugural Faculty Recognition Ceremony on May 11, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences honored its dedicated teachers and presented the first Excellence in Teaching Award to Paul Pasles, PhD, associate professor of Mathematical Sciences. In his remarks, R. Kelman Wieder, PhD, associate dean for Sciences and professor of Biology, noted that Dr. Pasles “brings his subject to life by effortlessly conveying to students a sense of wonder, awe, mystery and beauty.”



Honorable mentions Bernard G. Prusak, PhD, Gallen Fellow in the Humanities; Sally Scholz, PhD, professor, Philosophy; Nancy Kelley, PhD, director, Academic Learning Communities; Crystal Lucky, PhD, associate professor, English, and director, Africana Studies; and Ginamarie Scott Ligon, PhD, assistant professor, Psychology, join award winner Paul Pasles, PhD, associate professor, Mathematical Sciences (center).



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Newest Social Justice Films

Building upon the successes of their predecessors, students in the social justice documentary course produced two compelling films this past semester. *Who Is Wright* spotlights Julius Wright, whose unique brand of music helped him overcome a painful youth on the streets of Philadelphia. *No Greater Pain* profiles the organization Mothers in Charge, a network of support for those who have lost loved ones to violence. The course is part of Villanova's Center for Social Justice Film in the Waterhouse Family Institute for the Study of Communication and Society.

University Names Pediatric Oncologist Praxis Award Winner

Medical colleagues and friends praised not just the work of Milton Donaldson, MD, but also the man himself at the presentation of the fifth annual Praxis Award in Professional Ethics, held March 31 in the Connelly Center.

The retired head of the division of Pediatric Oncology, Cooper Medical Center, Camden, NJ, Dr. Donaldson was selected as this year's recipient "because of his exemplary dedication to the ethical ideals of his profession as a physician," says Mark Doorley, PhD, director of the Ethics Program of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, which inaugurated the award. "His concern was not limited to the physical dimensions of the illness suffered by his small patients, but encompassed the overall well-being of his patients and their families."

A pioneer in the field of pediatric hematology and oncology, Dr. Donaldson also was instrumental in the founding of the first Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia and New Jersey.

College of Engineering

Space Odyssey

Drawing on his extensive experience with the air and space industry, Lt. Col. Andrew M. Allen, USMC (Ret.), '77 COE, former astronaut and now chief executive officer of Aerodyne Industries LLC, delivered a special lecture to the College of Engineering on April 1. Titled "Technological Packing for a Trip to

Space," the multimedia presentation offered a behind-the-scenes look at the American space program and the role space exploration plays in advancing society. The lecture was part of the Patrick J. Cunningham Jr. and Susan Ward '80 Endowed Lecture Series in Engineering.



Lt. Col. Andrew M. Allen, USMC (Ret.), '77 COE

College of Engineering Formalizes International Alliance

The College of Engineering has taken its longstanding relationship with the people of Nicaragua to the next level. On April 12, the College signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería (UNI), Nicaragua's premier college of engineering. The formal alliance will lead to new collaborative research and teaching initiatives that can improve communities in the United States, Nicaragua and beyond.

"We are thrilled to establish this strategic partnership with an institution that is

vital to the economic development of Nicaragua," says Alfonso Ortega, PhD, associate dean for Graduate Studies and Research and the James R. Birle Professor of Energy Technology. "Together, students and faculty from both engineering colleges will advance research in service to others."

As a result of the MOU, UNI students will participate in Villanova-sponsored service projects in Nicaragua, and Pritpal Singh, PhD, professor and chair of Electrical and Computer Engineering, will serve as a visiting professor at UNI.

New Grad Named Mentzer Winner for Service to Homeless

Atireless advocate for the homeless who forged new campus partnerships and found innovative ways to engage volunteers, Jeffrey Sved '11 COE was selected by the Center for Peace and Justice Education as the 2011 recipient of Villanova's prestigious Thomas J. Mentzer Award. The award honors a graduating senior whose contributions have expanded opportunities for the poor and marginalized. Sved, a chemical engineering major, received a plaque and cash stipend at a recognition breakfast on May 15. He will be doing a year of service with the Franciscan Volunteer Ministries.



William Stehl (right), associate director, Campus Ministry, Peace and Justice Education, presents the Thomas J. Mentzer Award to Jeffrey Sved '11 COE.

Villanova School of Law

Lawyers Living the Augustinian Mission Named VLS Alumni Association Winners



John Y. Gotanda, dean, Villanova School of Law; Paul A. Tufano '83 A&S, '86 VLS; Ann Torregrossa '70 VLS; and University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S

Ann Torregrossa '70 VLS, former director of the Pennsylvania Governor's Office of Health Care Reform (GOHCR), and Paul A. Tufano '83 A&S, '86 VLS, executive vice president, general counsel and president of Government Markets of Independence Blue Cross, each received a 2011 service award from the Villanova Law Alumni Association in March.

Torregrossa, recipient of the Donald W. Dowd Alumni Association Award for Public Service, has dedicated her 40-year career to serving countless people in need, particularly in the area of health care. As Director of GOHCR, she helped develop then Gov. Ed Rendell's comprehensive health care reform initiative, Prescription

for Pennsylvania, and was responsible for coordinating health policy among the state agencies that provide health care coverage or services.

Tufano, recipient of the Gerald Abraham Alumni Association Award for Service to Villanova Law School, serves the University as a member of the Board of Trustees and the Law School's Board of Consultors. Most recently he served on the Steering Committee for the Campaign for Villanova Law, designed to help fund the construction of the new law school building, and as co-chair of the Law School's Dean's Search Committee.

Villanova School of Business

VSU Ranked #7 in Nation by *Bloomberg Businessweek*

The Villanova School of Business (VSB) was once again recognized as one of the best undergraduate business schools in the nation in the 2011 *Bloomberg Businessweek* ranking. VSB ranked #7, placing it among the top 10 business schools in the nation. This is an improvement of 13 spots from the previous year's ranking.

The annual ranking is determined by academic quality, professional development, business relevance and student satisfaction. VSB performed exceptionally well in a number of categories. VSB's scores included a ranking of #2 in the nation for "Overall Academic Quality," a grade of "A+" for "Student Grade for Teaching Quality" and a grade of "A" for "Student Grade for Job Placement."

University Names Interim VSB Dean

Kevin D. Clark, PhD, senior associate dean for the Villanova School of Business (VSB), has been named interim dean of the school. Dr. Clark has been a member of VSB's faculty since 2001 as an associate professor of Strategic Management.

Dr. Clark assumed the role of interim dean in August 2011, when James M. Danko, formerly The Helen and William O'Toole Dean of the Villanova School of Business, became the 21st president of Butler University in Indianapolis.



Kevin D. Clark, PhD, interim dean, the Villanova School of Business

"Jim Danko has provided our School of Business with extraordinary leadership," said Villanova University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S.

Dr. Clark will serve as interim dean during the University's search for a new dean. An award-winning teacher, he offers courses on a range of topics, including strategic management, leadership and team dynamics. As senior associate dean, he collaborated with the faculty and the VSB leadership team to drive the academic and intellectual agenda for the school.

College of Nursing

Nursing Legacy in Classroom and Show Ring

Many world-class athletes have walked the halls at Villanova—but perhaps none like Ally Ehle '13 CON. In addition to her classroom accomplishments, she is a former national and current world equestrian champion in saddle seat.

Ally's devotion to her rigorous academic life sometimes means tough choices. She skipped some competitions so that she could enhance her global perspective in Villanova's Summer Program, through which she studied abroad, taking courses in medieval Catholicism and the history of Italian cities.

Ally credits her mom, Nancy Ehle '81 CON, as being a major influence in her life. "She is one of the reasons I chose Villanova and nursing," she says.

Nursing student Ally Ehle '13 is the world equestrian champion in saddle seat.



Honoring Distinguished Nurses

The College of Nursing honored three distinguished nurses with its highest award, the College of Nursing Medallion, presented by Connelly Endowed Dean and Professor M. Louise Fitzpatrick EdD, RN, FAAN, at the 22nd annual Mass and Alumni Awards Ceremony in April. University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S celebrated the Mass.

■ Mary Ann McGinley, PhD, RN, senior vice president and chief nursing officer at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, was presented with the Medallion for Distinguished Service to the College of Nursing.

■ AnnMarie Young Papa '77 CON, '95 MSN, DNP, RN, CEN, NE-BC, FAEN, interim clinical director, emergency nursing and clinical nurse specialist, emergency department, at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and president of the Emergency Nurses Association, was presented with the Medallion for Excellence in Clinical Practice.

■ Tara Siegal Cortes, PhD, RN, FAAN, '67 CON, executive director of the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing, professor and Mathy D. Mezey Chair of Geriatric Nursing at New York University's College of Nursing and former member of the University Board of Trustees, was presented with the Medallion for Distinguished Contributions to the Profession.

Professor Chosen as President-Elect of National Nursing Organization

Joyce S. Willens, PhD, RN, BC, assistant professor in the College of Nursing, has been elected president-elect of the American Society for Pain Management Nursing (ASPMN). She will serve one year in that role and then one year as president. Dr. Willens is a longtime advocate for pain management and the editor of *Pain Management Nursing*, the official journal of ASPMN.



Mary Ann McGinley, PhD, RN



AnnMarie Young Papa '77 CON, '95 MSN, DNP, RN, CEN, NE-BC, FAEN



Tara Siegal Cortes, PhD, RN, FAAN, '67 CON



Senior Sheila Reid, freshman Emily Lipari, sophomore Ariann Neutts and junior Christie Verdier claim a national championship in the distance medley relay at the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships.

Villanova Women Win National Championship in Distance Medley Relay

It all came down to a thrilling duel in the stretch. Last March, the Villanova women's track team claimed a national championship in the distance medley relay (DMR) at the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships at Texas A&M University. It was the second national title in the DMR for the Wildcats and the program's 19th indoor title overall.

The quartet of freshman Emily Lipari, junior Christie Verdier, sophomore Ariann Neutts and senior Sheila Reid finished in 10:52.52, edging runner-up University of Oregon by a margin of just 0.38 seconds. The Wildcats' winning time eclipsed a school record that had stood for 23 years;

the new mark is the second-fastest ever run in indoor NCAA competition.

Reid ran the anchor leg (1600 meters) of the relay with a remarkable split of 4:29.91. Reid and Oregon's anchor ran a thrilling head-to-head race in the relay's final leg, in which Reid gave Villanova its first and only lead with 200 meters to go.

"It was a perfect race," said Villanova head women's track coach Gina Procaccio '87 VSB. "Each of our girls did their job. I am so proud of [them] for running a great race and what I am most excited about is breaking the school record which had stood since 1988."

Three Athletes Earn Academic All-America Honors

Villanova senior men's lacrosse player Brian Karalunas, senior women's track/cross country athlete Sheila Reid and senior men's track/cross country athlete Matthew Gibney earned Academic All-America accolades from the Capital One Academic All-America program.

- Karalunas was named to the 2011 Men's At-Large Academic All-America First Team. The 2010-11 American Eagle Outfitters BIG EAST Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year, Karalunas carried a 3.94 cumulative GPA.
- Reid was named a first team Academic All-American for track & field/cross country, registering a 4.0 grade-point average while combining to win four national titles, five All-America honors and six BIG EAST titles.
- Gibney was named to the Academic All-America third team for track & field/cross country, maintaining a cumulative 3.78 GPA. Gibney earned All-America honors in the 1500 meters at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships and led Villanova to a Championship of America title in the distance medley relay at the Penn Relays.

Villanova Hosts BIG EAST Outdoor Track & Field

For the third time in the last four years, Villanova hosted the BIG EAST Outdoor Track & Field Championships. The Wildcats welcomed 13 men's teams and 15 women's teams to the conference meet, which took place over three days in May.

Sheila Reid '11 won BIG EAST championships in the 1500 meters and the 5000 meters. Keith Capecci '11 placed second in the 10,000 meters, and Shericka Ward '12 earned second place finishes in both the 100 meter hurdles and the 200 meters.



Senior Stefan Goodridge competes in the 400 meter hurdles during the BIG EAST Outdoor Track & Field Championships, hosted by Villanova.

Wildcats Make Their Mark on MLB

Villanova's Kyle McMyne was chosen by the Cincinnati Reds in the fourth round of the Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft in June. The right-handed pitcher, who just completed his junior year at Villanova, was the third Wildcat in the last six years to be a top-five-round draft pick.

In July, Chicago Cubs prospect Matt Szczur '11 A&S was promoted to the Class A Advanced Daytona Cubs of the Florida State League after batting .314 for Class A Peoria. He was also invited to play in the annual All-Star Futures Game, which showcases baseball's top 50 minor-league prospects.

Sheila Reid '11 Wins Honda Sports Award

Just after winning national titles in the 1500 meters and the 3000 meters at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships, Sheila Reid '11 was voted the Honda Sports Award winner in track & field. The award is given annually by the Collegiate Women's Sports Awards. Remarkably, Reid is a double Honda Award winner this year, after also winning the cross country award this past fall. Reid was also named a "Top Three" finalist for the prestigious Honda-Broderick Cup, which designates the Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year.

Villanova Men's Basketball Team Tours Europe

The Villanova men's basketball team traveled to France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands from Aug. 7 to 16 to play five exhibition games as part of the tour.

The team's most recent visit to Europe was in August 2001, when the Wildcats toured Italy. The 'Cats also played exhibition games in Canada in 2007.

"We're very excited to have this opportunity to travel to Europe as a basketball family," stated Villanova head coach Jay Wright prior to the team's departure. "Our previous trips to Italy and Canada were extremely valuable to the development of our young men on and off the court. This trip will give us a chance to grow together as a team and experience the culture of some amazing cities."

9/11 Remembered

Spirits of Villanovans Live on and Inspire

Villanova always remembers the 15 alumni—as well as the family members and friends of the Villanova community—who lost their lives in the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. To mark the 10th anniversary of the tragedy, the University is offering a series of events, including a faculty-student forum to discuss the legacy of 9/11; a performance by artist Richard Hight; and an evening remembrance service outside of Corr Chapel.

We Will Never Forget

On the tenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks, we honor our fellow Villanovans who lost their lives that day:

W. David Bauer '78 VSB

Rumson, NJ

James P. Berger '78 VSB

Yardley, Pa.

Dennis Michael Cook '90 A&S

Colts Neck, NJ

Jeannine Damiani-Jones '94 VSB

Brooklyn, NY

Christopher M. Dincuff '92 VSB

Jersey City, NJ

Jeffrey Mark Dingle '90 VSB

Brooklyn, NY

Christopher M. Duffy '00 VSB
Yonkers, NY

William F. Fallon '70 A&S

Rocky Hill, NJ

Peter Gelinas '90 VSB

Bronxville, NY

Michael Gould '94 VSB

Hoboken, NJ

Amy Jarret '94 VSB

North Smithfield, Mass.

Jennifer Lynn Kane '97 VSB

Randolph, NJ

Danielle Kousoulis '93 VSB

New York, NY

Kaaria Mbaya '86 A&S

New York, NY

Matthew Vianna '00 VSB

Manhasset, NY

Fighting Terrorism his Way: Joseph Connor '88 VSB

By JENNIFER SCHU

When Joe Connor was 9 years old, his father was killed during a business lunch with clients—and his world changed forever. It was Jan. 24, 1975, and Frank Connor, a 33-year-old bank officer, died when a terrorist organization's bomb ripped apart Manhattan's historic Fraunces Tavern, killing four people and injuring more than 50 others.

"Just minutes before, my father and his party had changed tables—putting them closer to the bomb. That is the inexplicable randomness of terrorism," Connor says.

As Connor was growing up without a father, one of his closest friends was his cousin, Steven Schlag, who was also his father's godson. On Sept. 11, 2001, Schlag was killed while working on the 104th floor of the North Tower of the World Trade Center. Joe and his brother, having commuted through the WTC that morning, witnessed the attacks from their respective downtown offices only blocks from both the WTC and Fraunces.

At age 41, Schlag, like Frank Connor, left behind young children. In the midst of his grief, Connor realized that he could be of help to others—including the children of 9/11 victims who, like him, had lost a

parent at a young age. A father of two himself, he began speaking with 9/11 support groups, and he contributed to a book, *Helping Kids Heal: 75 Activities to Help Children Recover from Trauma and Loss* (Jayjo Books, 2004).

Connor has been driven by keeping his father's memory alive and by a lesson he learned in a philosophy course at Villanova: Evil triumphs when good people stay silent. He writes and speaks extensively about terrorism. His articles have been published in national publications. He has appeared on the television programs *Nightline*, *Hannity & Colmes*, *The NBC Nightly News* and *Hardball*. Through helping others and raising awareness, he feels he is keeping his father's memory alive.

"Our family has

endured and learned from the effects of terrorism for 30 years," Connor says. "We know there are no magic words to make it better. But I try to offer words of hope to other families who have been affected."



Joseph Connor '88 VSB fights terrorism through his activism and dedication to helping grieving children and families.

“More Than Just a Scholarship”

Ariel N. Prato '12 never knew Jennifer Lynn Kane '97 VSB. But this year and last she has benefited from her legacy as the recipient of the Jennifer Lynn Kane '97 Endowed University Scholarship.

Kane was a certified public accountant working for Marsh & McLennan Companies when she lost her life on Sept. 11, 2001. Known for her love of family and friends, her humor and her belief in the importance of traditional values, as well as her strong academic and personal work ethic, Kane is an inspiration to Prato.

Like Kane, Prato is a rising star in her chosen field of accounting. The Villanova School of Business student interned with Ernst & Young last winter and has already been offered a position with the firm after

she graduates from Villanova next year. Kane was greatly admired by her co-workers as a committed employee and mentor, and Prato hopes to follow in her footsteps.

Kane's parents, George and Faye, make it a point to personally meet each recipient of the scholarship that they established in their daughter's name. When Prato was selected, they traveled to Villanova to see her.

“When I went to breakfast with Jennifer's parents, they told me all about her,” Prato says. “They said that they try to choose a student who embodies some of their daughter's qualities. It is amazing to me to be compared to Jennifer. That's what makes it special. It's more than just a scholarship.”



Ariel N. Prato '12, recipient of the Jennifer Lynn Kane '97 VSB scholarship, stands in front of the stained glass window dedicated to the memory of those lost on 9/11.

A Legacy of Learning

The following funds have been established in memory of Villanova alumni who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001.

The Dennis M. Cook '90 Endowed Gregor Mendel Chair in Genetics—Has enhanced the Augustinian foundation of Villanova through the development of an ethical and socially responsible program that recognizes the broad brush of genetics in the 21st century. The Chair proudly honors the University's connection to Gregor Mendel, an Augustinian friar known as the Father of Modern Genetics, and benefits the national reputation of Villanova's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences by supporting the career of a talented genetics professor and promoting the personal development of undergraduate students in the sciences in a way that fosters critical thinking and problem solving.

Christopher M. Dincuff '92 Endowed Memorial Scholarship—Provides a partial tuition award to the Senior Basketball Manager of the men's basketball team at Villanova University.

Christopher M. Dincuff Memorial Scholarship—Provides financial assistance to a Villanova senior year student who demonstrates academic achievement and financial need.

Jeannine Damiani-Jones '94 Endowed Memorial Scholarship for Villanova School of Business—Provides financial support to a junior or senior year female student in the Villanova School of Business who has a minimum grade point average of 3.3 (or its equivalent) and demonstrates financial need.

Jennifer Lynn Kane '97 Endowed University Scholarship—Provides financial assistance to a junior and senior female student in the Villanova

School of Business with a 3.2 grade point average majoring in Accountancy who demonstrates financial need, academic merit, and the qualities of scholarship, character, commitment, leadership, humor, maturity, traditional values, and love of friends and family.

Matthew G. Vianna '00 Memorial Scholarship—Provides financial assistance to Villanova students who demonstrate academic merit, financial need, leadership and service to community. Preference will be given to students who graduate from Chaminade High School in Mineola, Long Island, NY, and Sacred Heart Academy in West Hempstead, Long Island, NY, in alternate years.

In addition to the funds listed above, there are more than 100 memorial gifts—from benches to trees to clocks to lobby screens—donated in memory of 9/11 victims.

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Villanova's motto, *Veritas, Unitas, Caritas*, was the resounding message at the University's 168th Commencement. Speakers touched on those values and urged graduates to make a lifelong commitment to serving others.

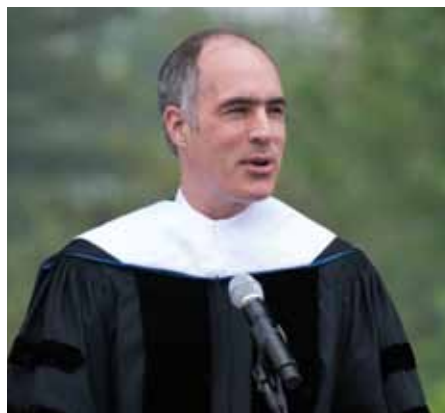
Kimberly D. Uy '11 CON Student Commencement Speaker

Kimberly D. Uy, a graduate of the College of Nursing, discussed the Augustinian heritage and values that characterize the student experience at Villanova and make it unique. "It's what makes us different from our Hawk or Hoya comrades," she smiled, adding: "The love that flows from a charitable heart is what Villanova instills in us."



Senator Casey Urges Grads to Serve

"I'm not here to talk about policy, but about service," said the Hon. Robert P. Casey Jr., US senator from Pennsylvania, 2011 Commencement Speaker and recipient of the degree of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*. Recalling his post-college work as a teacher with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps in Philadelphia, he shared the story of a diligent young girl who today works with children who were victims of severe abuse. When he asked her how she managed the heartrending work, she replied: "Sometimes our burdens can become our blessings." Senator Casey urged graduates, "No matter what you do, please make a commitment to serve."



Vanguard Founder Receives Honorary Degree

He is founder of one of the largest mutual fund organizations in the world, has written a slew of bestselling books and was named by *Fortune* magazine as one of the investment industry's four "Giants of the 20th Century." John C. Bogle, founder of The Vanguard Group Inc. and president of the Bogle Financial Markets Research Center, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Commercial Science, *honoris causa*. Vanguard's mutual funds have current assets totaling more than \$1.4 trillion. The largest, Vanguard 500 Index Fund, was founded by Bogle in 1975 and was the first index mutual fund.



The Law School celebrated its 56th Commencement on May 20 in the Pavilion (above). The Hon. Kelly A. Ayotte '93, US senator from New Hampshire, delivered the Commencement address and received the University's Medallion Award. Guy Vincent Blanchard '11 was the student speaker.

MENT 2011

Thanks to the Class of 2011

"We are very grateful for the gifts you have given to the University," the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S told the Class of 2011. "As you continue to grow and mature and live your lives, I want you to know that wherever you go and whatever you do, if you ever need Villanova again in your life, you know where we are. Give us a call, and we'll be happy to respond in the best way that we can."



Dr. McGovern Receives Lindback Award

The Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Outstanding Teaching was presented to Marycarol McGovern, PhD, RN, '68 CON, '86 MSN, assistant professor, College of Nursing. The award is presented annually to a faculty member who excels in undergraduate teaching.

Baccalaureate Mass: Be People of Dignity, Justice and Peace

Graduating students, faculty, family members and friends filled the Pavilion on Saturday, May 14, for the Baccalaureate Mass. University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S presided at the joyous celebration and reminded graduates that "all of us must work to make the Body of Christ whole."

In his final homily to the Class of 2011, Father Donohue encouraged the graduates to recognize that they are to use their personalities, talents and abilities to work toward unity and to discern where they are being called so that they can lead others. Their years at Villanova have helped them hear the voice of Christ calling them to be people of dignity, justice and peace.

"As you leave this sheepfold, you must find your own voice to call others to Christ's love ... to be the shoulder that others will cry on, the hands that will hold the dying, the individual who will suffer for those who mourn, the person who lives to make peace in the world."

After Communion, parents, family members and friends extended their hands over the graduates and joined Father Donohue in blessing them as they set out for the next phase in life's journey.



To kick off Commencement Weekend, University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S welcomed graduates and their guests to an evening reception in the Connelly Center on Friday, May 13. The event allowed Father Donohue to personally congratulate the graduates.

Here's to the Mem Alumni Return to

BY SHAWN PROCTOR

This year's Reunion, "We're going Supernova," June 9–12, was almost like a wedding: something old, some things new, something borrowed and—of course, at Villanova—everything blue.

Alumni, family and friends could count on the great traditions that make the weekend a must-attend event. It was a perfect chance to get caught up on all things Nova through chats with the deans of the schools and colleges, a State of the University address by the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S, Villanova president, and the family picnic. And at the wedding-vows renewal and alumni Mass they celebrated the personal and spiritual.

For Tom Buggy '61 COE and those marking their 50th anniversary, the Half-Century Dinner gave them the opportunity to rekindle old friendships and Villanova spirit. "Some were very surprising. I played high school basketball against one of the guys I talked with here," he says.

"I have a love and passion for the University. It has been an important part of my, my kids' and grandkids' lives," says Joe Martini '61 VSB. "The spirit, the enthusiasm, the education—I love it."

Peter Armstrong '91 VSB and Sarah Osborne Armstrong '91 VSB agreed the friends that they made in their years at Villanova and the diversity of the education shaped them in the 20 years since graduation.

"My Villanova experience formed my life and my faith," Sarah says. "I believe coming back and giving back is important."

Change in the air

This year's schedule featured many new additions to the schedule, including Boardwalk Night, which transformed

Sheehan Beach into a festive shorefront location. Families and children sampled all of the traditional boardwalk attractions, including funnel cake, miniature golf and arcade games.

Supernova Night Under the Stars, borrowed from past years, underwent a dramatic shift, moving from the Pavilion to an air-conditioned tent on Mendel Field. Featuring an excellent selection of food and fun as well as live music and dancing, the evening offered alumni like Jackie Liebowitz '06 A&S the chance to connect with others who have been influenced by the University's Augustinian Catholic traditions. "It completely blew us away, and there was a really great turnout from our class. All of my friends had a wonderful time. Can't wait for the next one."

Thank you to the Class Committees and to the Reunion Classes for their Class Gifts, which totaled \$3,636,968.



To view interviews with alumni at Reunion, take a picture of this code with your smartphone or visit alumni.villanova.edu.





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Villanova for Reunion



Frequent Flyer Helps Atlanta Chapter Soar

One of the things Greg Megan '79 VSB likes best about his career as an airline pilot is his frequent "layovers" in Philadelphia—because he can drop in on his alma mater. His job has also allowed him to become a familiar face at Villanova events all over the country.

Megan has poured his passion for Villanova into service for the University he says "has given me so much." He is president of the Atlanta chapter of the Villanova University Alumni Association and has helped it double in size over the past 10 years. The chapter's vitality is apparent, bringing together alumni for Game Watch parties, golf outings, new student receptions and service activities. The chapter's annual scholarship golf outing has raised over \$14,000 in scholarship money to benefit Villanova students from the Atlanta area.

The Atlanta chapter's enthusiasm was on full display on a huge TV screen in the Pavilion during Villanova's ESPN Col-



Greg Megan '79 VSB, president, Villanova University Alumni Association's Atlanta chapter

lege GameDay festivities this past February. "We were hooting and hollering and showing our Villanova pride," Megan laughs.

Megan is also Chapter Coordinator for the entire Southeast Region—providing guidance for other chapter leaders. "To be successful, chapter leaders have to have enthusiastic members on the leadership team to communicate to and motivate their fellow alumni to participate in chapter events. It's a group effort," he says.

He adds, "It's all about giving back and keeping the Villanova tradition going—so that those who come after us will have an even better University."

He's keeping that tradition going not only in the Atlanta chapter, but in his own family. His wife, Kathy Miller Megan '79 CON, is a Villanova alumna, and their daughter, Hope, began studies at the Villanova University College of Nursing this fall. "I'm very proud of her!" Megan says.

VUAA Welcomes New Board Members

Four new members have been elected to the board of the Villanova University Alumni Association. The Board of Directors establishes the overall strategic direction for the Alumni Association, represents the VUAA within the University community and provides advice and counsel to the staff. New members include:

- Patricia Miele-Esposito '80 A&S is a senior client advisor with Marsh USA Inc., Morristown, NJ. An active member of several Villa Walsh Academy organizations, she also serves on the Board of TeenPride Inc., an organization that provides counseling services and maintains a Teen Center for at-risk teens. She is an active member of the Morris/Somerset Alumni Chapter and currently serves as the Chapter treasurer, chair of the New Student Reception and member of the Villanova Parents Committee. She received the inaugural Reunion Volunteer Service Award for her longtime leadership on Class of 1980 Reunion Committees.
- Stephen Murphy '85 VSB has been in the financial services industry for nearly 25 years, for the last 18 years in international equities sales and trading. Elected to Summit, NJ, Common Council in 2009, he has served as a City of Summit Councilman since 2010. Murphy and his family host the Villanova New Student Reception for the Morris/Somerset Chapter. He was chair of the Villanova Class of 1985 25th Reunion and participates in the Alumni Interview program. Murphy helped to establish the Kevin R.



Scott '85 Endowed Scholarship at Villanova and is a Villanova Parent Ambassador. He is a member of the President's Council.

- Thomas V. Sanzone '68 COE was Houston engineering manager for the Space Shuttle Extravehicular Mobility Unit, or spacesuit, and served as the general manager of the Houston office from 1986 until retiring this year. He provides external relations support and consulting services to Hamilton Sundstrand and remains active in the NASA community. He participates in the University's Alumni Interview Program, has served on Reunion Committees and is a member of the President's Club.
- Maryalice Morro '83 CON serves as chief of staff, Navy Medicine East. Morro has had assignments at naval clinics and hospitals in the United States and abroad, including Japan, the United Kingdom and Spain, and aboard the USNS Comfort in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. She was the first Nurse Corps officer to serve as commanding officer of Naval Hospital Pensacola. For her nursing acumen and her pursuit of quality health care for those she had served, the College of Nursing awarded her its 2009 Medallion for Distinguished Leadership in Administration of Nursing and Health Care Services. Morro was a featured speaker at the 2010 Villanova University Leadership Summit on globalization.





Cruise Alaska's Glaciers

Join the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 A&S, University president, on a magnificent seven-night cruise from Vancouver through the Inside Passage to Seward, aboard the Six-Star, all-suite M.V. Silver Shadow June 21-28, 2012.

Go north to the future, where you will enjoy world-class accommodations, tour untouched coastlines and whale-watch while enjoying the finest dining. This trip offers free air travel from gateway cities and a host of complimentary features aboard the ship.

For complete details, visit alumni.villanova.edu or contact Pat Gillin at 1-800-Villanova (800-845-5266.)

Student Receptions Welcome the Class of 2015

During July and August, alumni hosted 35 receptions around the country to meet and greet the newest members of Nova Nation. Hosted every year by alumni, student receptions provide a bridge for new Wildcats before they reach campus.

To learn how you can host a future reception in your area, visit alumni.villanova.edu and click "Featured Events."

Play a Round for Nova

From Atlanta to Detroit to New York, Villanova's golf outings offer alumni the chance to enjoy 18 holes of fantastic golf while benefiting scholarship funds for future students in financial need and other important causes.

"Great Golf. Great Cause" is the perfect opportunity to spend time with alumni and friends. To enjoy a great day of golf and support Villanova students, visit alumni.villanova.edu to learn more. Watch for the 2012 schedule.



Class Notes

1940s

Hon. William J. Nealon '47 VSB, Eco., received the American Inns of Court 2011 Professionalism Award for the Third Circuit. Judge Nealon sits on the bench of the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

1960s

Class of 1962: 50th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Class of 1967: 45th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

James Strazzella '61 A&S, Phil., has written the new textbook *Criminal Appellate Procedure* to be published by West Publishing Co. in early 2012.

Sister M. Rosamund Dupock, SS.C.M., '63 G.S.Theat. is celebrating her 70th jubilee this summer of being a Sister of Saints Cyril and Methodius. Sister is proud of her alma mater and enjoys reading the *Villanova* magazine.

Albert M. Tantala, P.E., '65 M.C.E. completed two six-year terms as a member of the Pennsylvania State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists.

1970s

Class of 1972: 40th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Class of 1977: 35th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Joseph A. Adams '70 G.S.Engl. has retired after 45 years as teacher, school counselor and director of

Robert F. Redmond '61 A&S, Soc., passed the Ohio Real Estate Broker examination and has been appointed managing director of Mohr Partners Commercial Real Estate Ohio office in Cleveland.



student personnel services at Holy Spirit High School in Absecon, NJ. He currently maintains a private practice as a New Jersey Licensed Professional Counselor and NAAP Psychoanalyst in Absecon.

Robert Leggiadro '72 A&S, Bio., has accepted a new position at Pfizer in Collegeville, Pa. He is medical director, vaccines, and is residing with his family in Villanova.

William E. Shakalis '72 A&S, Phil., has been appointed assistant librarian (faculty status, tenure track) at the library at Worcester State University in Worcester, Mass. His title is monographs cataloguer.

Richard C. Walker III '71 A&S, Soc., senior vice president/regional outreach at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, has assumed responsibility for the full range of the bank's regional outreach. Most recently he served as vice president in charge of public and community affairs.



Charles V. Tabone '72 A&S, Arts, managing principal at Newmark Knight Frank, one of the largest independent real estate service firms in the world, was honored with "Commercial Team of the Year" status by Long Island Business News. The firm is headquartered in Melville, NY.



Michael J. Cunningham Jr., Esq., '73 A&S, Pol.Sci., senior managing consultant at IBM, completed 38 years of distinguished service with the Department of the Navy, where he was chief counsel to the Naval Inventory Control Point in Philadelphia. In April 2011 he was awarded the Department of the Navy Superior Civilian Service Medal. During the course of his career he was recognized for excellence in IT litigation for the US Navy and was awarded five Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Medals.

Sheila Glennon Kempf, Ph.D., '74 Nur. defended her thesis *Caring Leadership Attributes of RN CEOs and the Relationship to Patient Satis-*

faction and Quality. She received a Ph.D. in Human Services with a specialty in Healthcare Administration at Capella University. She is currently senior vice president, patient care services and chief nursing officer at Bristol Hospital in Bristol, Conn.



Ernie Tsoules, Esq., '76 A&S, '79 J.D. joined Navvis & Co. in St. Louis as senior vice president. As a practicing health care attorney, he provides consulting services to both hospitals and physician groups. He is a member of the American Health Lawyers Association and the Medical Group Management Association.



Gail Frederick Donovan '79 VSB, Bus.Adm., executive vice president and chief operat-

Joseph P. Chirichella '76 A&S, Arts, was unanimously elected president and CEO of Deborah Heart and Lung Center in Browns Mills, NJ. He has been with Deborah for more than 30 years, most recently as vice president of operations.

G. Michael Green, Esq., '77 A&S, Engl., '80 J.D. received an honorary degree on May 14 from Neumann University in suburban Philadelphia. In his address to graduates, he stressed the importance of integrity, knowledge and collegiality.

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Gaetan J. Alfano, Esq., '77 A&S, Engl., '80 J.D., a partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Pietragallo Gordon Bosick & Raspanti, LLP, has been appointed vice chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention.



assistance coordinator and social worker for Homewood Flossmoor High School District 233. He was awarded the 2011 Illinois Education Association's Human and Civil Rights Award for his outstanding work as consultant in the area of safe and drug-free school programs and student assistance programs.

Steven M. Schorr, P.E., '79 C.E. is president of DJS Associates in Abington, Pa., a firm providing forensic consulting technology and animations to the legal, engineering and insurance industries, as well as police, prosecutors, detectives, construction firms and government agencies. Celebrating 50 years in the business, the forensic aspect of the firm was established by his father, **David J. Schorr**, professor of engineering at Villanova.

ing officer for Continuum Health Partners in New York City, was named to the 2011 list of the Top 25 Women in Health Care by *Modern Healthcare Magazine*.

John Schwaller '79 A&S, Soc., MSW, CADC, CSADP, CSAP, celebrated 24 years as student

at UGI Corp. in Valley Forge, Pa.

David Coskey '81 A&S, Comm., was named to a four-year term on the board of trustees of Atlantic Cape College with New Jersey locations in Mays Landing, Atlantic City and Cape May Court House.

Beth White Delaney '81 A&S, Comm., is working in the University of Pennsylvania's office of gift planning. She recently presented a gift planning workshop at the CASE conference in Baltimore, Md.

Maureen Durkan Reusche, Ed.D., '82 A&S, Edu., was named superintendent of the Cherry Hill, NJ, public schools. Dr. Reusche had been assistant superintendent since 2007 and prior to that was assistant superintendent of the Radnor Township (Pa.) School District.

Rocco DiAntonio '83 A&S, Eco., was promoted to general manager, network development for the eastern region for Volkswagen of America Inc. He and his family relocated to Newfoundland, NJ.

Lisa Kelly Morgan, Esq., '84 A&S, Hon./Pol.Sci., a 1987 graduate of the University of Connecticut School of Law, is a judge of the Superior Court for the state of Connecticut.

Gerard F. Byrne '80 A&S, Pol.Sci., of Morrisville, NJ, is the author of the new book My Road Home, published in June by Author House. He is a writer for Demand Media with offices worldwide.



cut. She, her husband and two children reside in Wethersfield, Conn.

Thomas Matese, D.O., '84 A&S Bio., was appointed director of medical education and program director of the emergency medicine residency program at St. Lucie Medical Center in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Donald J. Detweiler, Esq.,

1980s

Class of 1982: 30th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Class of 1987: 25th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Robert C. Flexon '80 VSB, Acct., was named chief financial officer

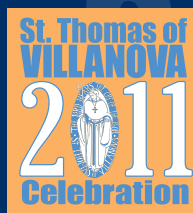


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'86 A&S, Eco., joined Pepper Hamilton LLP in Wilmington, Del., as a partner in the corporate restructuring bankruptcy practice group. He is a 1992 graduate of Widener University School of Law.

David LaBricciosa '88 VSB, Acct., is managing director at Independence Wealth Strategies in Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

Sylvia M. DeSantis '89 A&S, Engl., an educational/curriculum specialist at Penn State University and a holistic health practitioner/author, has written *Academic Apartheid: Waging the Adjunct War*, published by Cambridge Scholars in 2011.

Jonathan Fletcher '89 A&S, Arts, a social studies teacher at Morristown High School in New Jersey, also serves as offensive line coach for the school's football team, a winner of the North Jersey Group 3 state championship.

Robin A. Ward '89 G.S.Math. is clinical assistant professor of mathematics at Rice University. He authored the new book *Math + Art = Fun: Activities for Discovering Mathematical Magic in Modern Art*.

1990s

Class of 1992: 20th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Class of 1997: 15th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

William D. Belanger, Esq., '90 M.E., a partner at Pepper Hamilton LLP in Boston, was named vice chair of the firm's intellectual property practice group. He also leads the group's patent litigation practice subgroup.

Joseph M. Corradino '90 A&S, Geo., was reelected a council member in the Village of Pinecrest, Miami Dade County, Fla.

Michele Bianco Balancia '92 A&S, Psy., and **Charles Balancia '92 VSB, Mgt.,** welcomed a boy.

Steven Buonomo Sr., CPA, '92 VSB, Acct., '99 M.B.A. and his son, Steven Jr., are volunteer firefighters for Warwick Township Fire Company No. 1 in Jamison, Pa.

Charles Eppolito III, Esq., '92 VSB, Mgt., '95 J.D., of White and Williams LLP in Harrisburg, Pa., has begun a two-year term as chair of the Pennsylvania Bar Association House of Delegates.

Joseph Hackett '92 A&S, Engl., runs a production company in Los Angeles, where he is developing a feature film and producing a Web series. He recently

Stephen Calandrino, Esq., '90 VSB, Bus.Adm., has been named managing sales and marketing director at AGC Partners, developers of The Residences at The Ritz-Carlton in Philadelphia.



appeared on TNT's *Southland* and in a *Lifetime* movie. He and his family live in Los Angeles.

Ron Medalla '92 VSB, Fin., published his first book *18 Holes With Grandpa* following Ron and his father-in-law playing 18 holes of golf. His compelling stories are great motivational life lessons. Ron and his wife, **Amanda Godley Medalla '93 VSB, Fin.,** are the parents of two sons.

Michael G. Montgomery, Esq., '92 VSB, Acct., has joined the Richmond, Va., law firm Carrell Blanton Garrett & Van Horn, PLC, practicing in the areas of estate planning and administration, real estate transactions and litigation, and corporate and commercial transactions.

David Swift '92 A&S, Hist., is partner/owner at Newmar Insurance LLC in Rhode Island, providing yacht insurance coverage to a network of clients.

Suzanne Rickard Moore '93 VSB, Acct., welcomed a girl.

Maureen Berens Flanagan, Esq., '94 A&S, Engl., '99 J.D. is in product development and compliance at Philadelphia Insurance Company in Bala Cynwyd, Pa. Her husband, **Joseph C. Flanagan Jr., Esq., '96 J.D.** is a deputy state's attorney in Kent County, Md. They share their time between their home in Wayne, Pa. and their farm in Rock Hall, Md.

Colleen Cashion Wilkins '94 A&S, Comm., welcomed a boy.

Antonia (Nina) Geisler Kiernan '94 A&S, Psy., '96 G.S.H.O.S. and **Richard (Rick) Kiernan '94 A&S, Psy., '96 G.S.H.O.S.** welcomed a girl.

Christine Gorgone Scherer, Esq., '95 A&S, Engl., '98 J.D. welcomed a girl.

Coming to You Live: Hugh Boyle Jr.



Name a major event in 10 years, and chances are Hugh Boyle Jr. '84 A&S has captured it on film for a national audience. The freelance television technician has covered the earthquake aftermath in Haiti for CBS' *60 Minutes*, the tornado damage in Alabama for NBC News and MSNBC, and Hurricane Katrina for MSNBC.

"Arriving in Haiti, shortly after the earthquake, was the most moving experience in my life," Boyle says. "So many things were wrong on so many levels. It was overwhelming, but I had to keep it together and do my job."

Boyle provides production services for film, video and live events, and has worked for all three major television networks, as well as ESPN. Along with his coverage of major catastrophes, he has had the opportunity to film major sporting events ranging from the Daytona 500 to the World Series. He has been fortunate enough to meet many legends in the fields of sports, entertainment and journalism.

"My father's advice was to find a career that you really enjoy," he says. "I did that, and my job doesn't often seem like work."

Susan Moran Pangis '95 A&S, Comm., welcomed a boy.

Elizabeth Somin Woods '95 VSB, Mkt., welcomed a boy.

Kathleen Cooney '96 A&S, Comm., welcomed a boy.

Brian Matusz '96 VSB, Fin., welcomed a boy.

Walidah Newton Justice '96 A&S, Comm., is academic coordinator for the student support services program at the University of Delaware.

Brian Perry '96 VSB, Fin., is the author of the new book *From Piggybank to Portfolio: A Financial Roadmap for New Investors*.

Michael B. Senape, Esq., '96 C.E. represented the Valley Academy Charter School in Conyngham, Pa., securing for the school the charter that had previously been denied. His law firm, Senape & Associates, is in Freeland, Pa. He and his wife, Kimberly, are the parents of three children.

Marianne Stowell Master '96 A&S, Hon./Hist., '98 G.S.

Classics welcomed a girl.

Suzanne Zadik '96 A&S, Engl., welcomed a boy.

Timothy Cashman '97 A&S, Pol.Sci., welcomed a girl.

Michael Cavallaro '97 A&S, Edu., has authored the new book *How to Open & Operate a Financially Successful Private Investigation Business*, published by Atlantic Publishing Group Inc.

Courtney Leik D'Andrea '97 A&S, Bio., and James D'Andrea '97 E.E. welcomed a girl.

Benjamin V. Sanchez '97 VSB, Acct., welcomed a girl.

John Giordano, Esq., '98 A&S, Engl., '02 J.D. was named a deputy secretary in Pennsylvania's Department of Conservation and Natural Resources by Gov. Tom Corbett.

Christine Golata Clement '98 VSB, Mkt., welcomed a girl.

Daniel McCarey '98 A&S, Pol.Sci., welcomed a girl.

Elisabeth Pfohl Sasser '98 A&S, Pol.Sci., welcomed a girl.

Michael H. Skurecki '91 VSB, Bus.Adm., is general operations service and security manager at Northrop Grumman Information Systems. He was awarded the Pennsylvania State's Fish and Boat Commission's prestigious 2010 Stanley Long Outstanding Volunteer Service Award, recognizing his role as an education and information instructor in fishing skills and for his environmental programs for the public. The Commission recognized him previously in 1999.

Every year he marches in four different Memorial Day parades in Pennsylvania, as an invited participant representing the defense contractor community. He carries a flag of honor that bears the names of 15 Villanova graduates and a former employee who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001.



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Sunday, September 11

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Sunday, September 11

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Sunday, September 25

Nursing

Sunday, October 2

Legacy Day

Sunday, October 23



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December 1

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15,392 Freshman applications received

1,630 Targeted freshman class size

84 Percentage of students who ranked in the top 10 of their graduation class*

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3.81-4.21/4.00 weighted scale GPA range for the typical accepted applicant

1340-1440/1600 The middle 50 percent range of SAT scores for the typical accepted applicant

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* where class rank is reported

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Rebecca Dennis Haggerty '93 G.S.Phil. was elected to the board of directors of Marley's Mission in Lake Ariel, Pa., a nonprofit organization providing equine-assisted psychotherapy to children who have been traumatized.



Lee Spector '98 VSB, Acct., welcomed a boy.
Megan Caffrey '99 Nur. married Chris Jolin.

Janna Douville Eastwood, Esq., '99 A&S, Engl., '03 J.D. welcomed a girl.

Elizabeth "Tibby" Fogarty Cail, Esq., '99 A&S, Engl., '02 J.D. welcomed a boy.

Matthew Loper '99 C.E. was appointed to a five-year term as county engineer by the Somerset (NJ) County Board of Chosen Freeholders in Somerville.

Kimberly Makles Phillips '99 VSB, Acct., welcomed a girl.

Brian P. Murphy, Esq., '99 A&S, Pol.Sci., is counsel to Commissioner Elisse B. Walter, US Securities and Exchange Commission.

Erin Rosenthal Sullivan '99 VSB, Acct., welcomed a boy.

Mary Kate Trainor Alcusky '99 Nur. and **Greg Alcusky '99 Cp.E./E.E.** welcomed a boy.

2000s

Class of 2002: 10th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Class of 2007: 5th Reunion, June 7-10, 2012

Timothy Conlon '00 VSB, Acct., joined Fireside Realty in New York City. He is happy to assist Villanovans looking for apartments.

Jeremy Johnson '00 G.S.Hist., '05 M.P.A. was appointed tenure-track assistant professor in American politics at Carroll College in Helena, Mont.

Erin Mullen Husenaj '00 VSB, Mkt., welcomed a girl.

Matthew Nelson '00 A&S,

Elaine M. Pohl, Esq., '96 A&S, Psy., was named insurance coverage attorney at the Bloomfield, Mich., law firm Plunkett Cooney. Her practice focuses on insurance coverage, liquor licensing and general litigation matters. She is a cum laude graduate of Indiana University School of Law.



John Giordano, Esq., '98 A&S, Engl., '02 J.D. was endorsed by the Philadelphia Republican City Committee for City Council-at-Large. He is executive vice president and chief legal officer at Atlantic Trailer Leasing Corp.



Eco., welcomed a girl.

Sarina Rocco McNulty '00 A&S, Hum.Serv., and **Matt McNulty '00 VSB, Acct.,** welcomed a girl.

Brian Vesey '00 M.B.A., senior vice president of PNC Bank in Philadelphia, was named one of *Philadelphia Business Journal's* "40 Under 40."

Marianne Connolly '01 A&S, Comm., '07 G.S. Couns./Hum.Rel. married Lt. Cmdr. Brian Lauber, USN.

Claire Darmanin '01 A&S, Comm., received an M.B.A. from the University of Notre Dame at May graduation ceremonies.

Jacqueline Fulginiti Fiore '01 VSB, M.I.S., welcomed a girl.

Amanda Gorman '01 VSB, Fin. married Benjamin Schreiner.

Ian Koski '01 A&S, Comm., was named director of communications for US Senator Chris Coons (D-Del.). He had been vice president for new media strategy at Kennedy Communications.

Going the Extra Mile to Beat Cancer Dan McKenna



Running a 150-mile, seven-day endurance race across an infamous desert known as "the driest place on earth" is a daunting task for even the fittest of athletes. Yet Dan McKenna '09 A&S was determined to take on it on. To him, it represented the perfect opportunity to raise awareness and funds for kids' cancer research.

This past spring, McKenna completed the grueling Atacama Crossing in Chile—and in the process raised more than \$10,400 for childhood cancer research. He donated the funds to the St. Baldrick's Foundation, a volunteer-driven charity committed to funding research for childhood cancers.

A global banking operations analyst at Morgan Stanley in New York City, McKenna had to squeeze in training time during one of the roughest winters on record. To train for the demanding event, he averaged three hours of weight training, two hours of boxing, two six-mile runs with a 25-pound backpack, three 10-mile runs and a 14-mile run each week. But McKenna knows the grueling schedule was nothing compared to what kids battling cancer go through every day.

"One thing I've learned over the course of my training is that if you put your mind to something and want it badly enough, anything is possible," McKenna says. "Through Conquer Atacama, I hope to inspire more people to push themselves out of their comfort zones, go the extra mile and help others more often."

Young-Smith Makes Her Mark



Michelle Young-Smith '91 VSB has been named vice president of operations for the Navy Mutual Aid Association in Arlington, Va. She is the first African-American to become a vice president in the history of the 132-year-old company. She is responsible for insurance operations, including new business, underwriting and customer service

sections for the mutual benefit veterans' service organization established in 1879.

In her spare time, Young-Smith is involved in public speaking, drawing on her extensive insurance background to speak on medical topics pertaining to underwriting. She also has a strong interest in women's issues and has spoken and facilitated workshops for many church and women's organizations and conventions. She holds an MBA degree from Temple University. She resides in Stafford County, Va., with her husband, Samuel, and their daughter, Olivia.

Deborah Mitchell Rental '01 VSB, Mkt., and **Antonio Rental '01** A&S, Pol.Sci., welcomed a boy.

Laura Von Iderstein Herrald '01 A&S, Comm., is head of post productions at Cause & Effect Productions in New York City, where she and her husband are living.

Meghan M. Klaric, Esq., '04 A&S Hon./Chem., '10 J.D. is an attorney in the intellectual property practice group, corporate and securities department, of the Detroit law firm of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP. She is located in the firm's Kalamazoo office.



Brian Westbrook '01 VSB, M.I.S., received the Jefferson Award for Public Service, which honors athletes who display an exemplary commitment to service in their community. He is currently

Therese Narzikul '04 M.B.A. has joined The North Highland Company, an international consulting company in Radnor, Pa., as principal. Working in the healthcare area, she holds a B.S. degree in nursing from the University of Scranton and a M.S.N. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. Married with three children, she resides in Devon, Pa.



Have you received an honor, award or promotion? Did you earn another degree, get married or have a baby? E-mail your news to alumni@villanova.edu, or mail to Kate Wechsler, Villanova Magazine, Alumni Office, Garey Hall, Villanova University, 800 Lancaster Avenue, Villanova, PA 19085. Digital photos should be 300 dpi jpeg or tif format, and preferably at least 3 x 5 inches.

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working on plans to construct The Brian Westbrook Community Outreach Center in his hometown of Fort Washington, Md.

Kathleen Hagerty '02 A&S, Psy./Span., married **Frank Pasquini '08** M.B.A.

Lindsay Hawke Baran '02 A&S, Math., '02 A&S, Hon., and **Ben Baran '02** A&S, Comm./Pol.Sci., welcomed a boy.

Alex Henderson '02 A&S, Pol. Sci., '03 M.P.A. has been named to the faculty at Long Island University in the department of health care and public administration.

Margot Montgomery O'Donnell, M.D., '02 A&S, Hon./Bio., completed her psychiatry residency at the University of Pennsylvania and has opened a psychiatric practice in Bryn Mawr, Pa. She also serves as a psychiatrist at the Philadelphia Veterans Administration Hospital.

Katherine Neville Gray '02 VSB, Acct., welcomed a boy.

Kristen Nungesser '02 VSB, Acct., is vice president in the health care investment banking group at Credit Suisse in New York City.

Christina Crawford '03 M.B.A. welcomed a girl.

Megan D'Amico DeLaura '03 A&S, Comm., and **Michael DeLaura '02** VSB, M.I.S., welcomed a boy.

Anne E. "Annie" Fultz '03

Katherine N. Franke, Esq., '07 A&S, Pol.Sci., '10 J.D. is an associate with the law firm of Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy, PC in Philadelphia.



A&S, Pol.Sci., is chief of staff for US Rep. Jim Gerlach in his Washington, DC, office.

Francis Homer, P.E., Leed AP, RLD, '03 C.E. is project manager for Whiting-Turner, a construction management and engineering firm in Washington, DC. He was selected for a "40 Under 40" Award by the editors of *Building Design and Construction Magazine*.

Jessica McGurty Nye '03 VSB, M.I.S., welcomed a girl.

Jill O'Donnell Shinnelfield '03 A&S, Comm., welcomed a girl.

Julia Piskadio Piccini '03 VSB, Acct., and **Jason Piccini '01** Ch.E., '04 M.Ch.E. welcomed a girl.

Erica Wintergerst Shillingford '03 A&S, Comm., married **John Shillingford '03** A&S, Eco.

Jessie Finkelstein Bauer '04 A&S, Comm./Pol.Sci., welcomed a girl.

Edward Marincsin '04 VSB, Fin./Intl.Bus., has been promoted to vice president in the securities division at Goldman Sachs in Chicago.

Christopher W. Underwood, P.E., '10 M.W.R.E.E. brings 15 years experience in chemical and environmental engineering to RETTEW, a Lancaster, Pa. engineering firm, where he is project manager in the environmental engineering group. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Penn State University and a master's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Massachusetts.



Class Notes

Mark C. Merkel, Esq., '06 A&S, Engl., '10 J.D. has joined the Philadelphia law firm of Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy, PC as an associate.



Kate Cecich '05 A&S, Soc., married Alexander Aragon.

Marissa Ferrazzo, D.O., '05 A&S, Bio., married Daniel Weller.

Ashley Freiburger '05 A&S, Comm., married Jonathan Shinay.

Taylor Henderson '05 M.E., a resident of Cedar Park, Texas, is account manager at Dow Solar.

Melanie Slevak Schweiger '05 VSB, Fin./Mkt., was promoted to vice president/product manager at JPMorgan Chase in New York City.

Sandra Brookley Zadell '06 M.P.A. was promoted to assistant township manager in Doylestown (Pa.).

Vanessa Gardianos '06 A&S, Hist./Pol.Sci., married Michael Malesa '06 A&S, Pol.Sci.

Michelle Iatesta '06 A&S, Edu., '06 A&S, Bio., '09 G.S.Edu. married Michael Nataro '06 A&S, Phil./Pol.Sci.

Alicia Schaffner Eichinger, Esq., '06 A&S, Bio., a graduate of Roger Williams University School of Law, passed the bar in both Rhode Island and Massachusetts. She also holds a master's degree in marine affairs from the University of Rhode Island. She and her husband, Andrew, are living in Warwick, RI.

Brian Judge, Esq., '07 A&S, Pol.Sci., is an associate in the real estate division of Goulston & Storrs, PC, a law firm in Boston.

Danielle Ko, '07 A&S, Eco., '07 MSF married Brian Gaspar, '07 M.E.

Elana Mele, Esq., '07 A&S, Pol.Sci., has graduated with a J.D. from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing, Mich.

Judith Vicchio '07 M.P.A., assistant manager in Upper Merion (Pa.) Township, was awarded

the Excellence in Public Service Award from the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce.

Michael Antonucci '08 VSB, Fin., is an investment consulting analyst at Yanni Partners, a division of GBS Investment Consulting, in Pittsburgh.

Daniel Trucil '08 A&S, Comm./Engl., '10 G.S.Comm. has accepted a position as assistant account executive at Feinstein Kean Healthcare in Edison, NJ.

Francesca Gunning '09 A&S, Comm., was promoted to account manager at the advertising and public relations agency LevLane in Philadelphia.

Ana Hernandez '09 A&S, Pol.Sci., '11 M.P.A. has joined the office of planning and analysis in Dakota County, Minn.

Brian Turner '10 A&S, Intl. Stud., won the Outstanding Performance in Acting Award at the Delaware State One Act Festival held in March. He appeared in Edward Albee's one-act play "The Zoo Story."

Anna Wuitschick Teske '10 M.P.A. accepted a position as committee administrator for the House Sub-Committee on Higher Education with the Oregon Legislative Assembly.

Christena Hamilton '11 M.P.A. is assistant women's basketball coach and co-recruiting coordinator at Winthrop University in South Carolina.

In Memoriam

1930s

Edward Lyons '31 VSB, Eco., on Dec. 4, 2010.

Ambrose Russell Flanigan Jr. '35 E.E. on April 5.

1940s

John H. Lind III '40 VSB, Eco., on Jan. 25.

Paul Nugent '41 VSB, Eco., on April 17.

Robert J. Funa '42 VSB, Eco., on March 25.

George Gruss Banner '43 M.E. on Nov. 29, 2010.

Willard John Rafetto Jr. '43 C.E. on Jan. 12.

Melvin Lawrence Samuels, M.D. '43 A&S, Bio., on Jan. 23.

Louis G. Fares, M.D., '44 A&S, Bio., on Jan. 22.

Alvin Scott Jr., M.D., '44 A&S, Bio., on March 31, 2010.

John T. Glancey Jr. '45 E.E. on April 15.



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William C. Brisse '46
 VSB, Eco., on Nov. 3, 2010.
 Lt. Cmdr. Clyde B. Kirlin, USN
 (Ret.), '46 C.E. on July 25, 2010.
 Anthony Miele, Esq., '46
 VSB, Eco., on July 29, 2010.
 Walter Maciorkoski '47
 VSB, Bus.Adm., on May 9.
 Rodney Babe '48 A&S,
 Arts, on Feb. 14.
 Joseph R. "Chooch"
 Gonglefski '48 E.E. on May 12.
 Clayton Francis Martin
 '48, A&S, Engl., on Feb. 9.
 Kenneth R. Reeher '48
 A&S, Edu., on Feb. 7.
 Richard Greenberg, D.O.,
 '49 A&S, Bio., on May 22.
 Rev. Walter McNicholas,
 O.S.A., '49 A&S, Arts, on March 9.
 James A. Plunkett '49
 VSB, Eco., on May 20.

1950s

Emil Alfred Garritano '50
 A&S, Bio., on March 3.
 Paul M. Hemler, M.D.,
 '50 A&S, Bio., on Feb. 7.
 George R. Law, D.O. '50
 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 21.
 George Charles Melahn
 '50 E.E. on Feb. 27.
 Arthur Montano '50
 M.E. on May 23.
 George J. Pequignot '50
 A&S, Edu., on May 18.
 Joseph P. Rogers Sr. '50
 VSB, Eco., on April 1.
 Joseph B. Schultes '50
 VSB, Eco., on May 18.
 Mario J. Albanese '51
 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 22.
 Donald F. Denny '51
 Ch.E. on March 5.
 John T. Greene '51
 Ch.E. on March 15.
 John M. "Jake" Moran '51
 VSB, Eco., on March 18.
 Victor S. Aslan '52 VSB,
 Bus.Adm., on Dec. 14, 2010.
 James J. Campbell '52
 VSB, Eco., on Nov. 5, 2010.
 Thomas Angelo Pasha '52
 A&S, Gen., on Feb. 24.
 Michael "Mickey" Burke
 '53 VSB, Eco., on May 13.
 Michael A. Denti '53
 VSB, Eco., on March 27.
 William T. Harmon '53
 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 16.
 S. Richard Klinges III, Esq.,
 '53 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 9.
 Russell Carney '54 VSB,
 Eco., on Sept. 5, 2010.
 Donald J. Dougherty '54
 VSB, Eco., on June 6, 2010.
 Edward S. Lahovski '54
 A&S, Edu., on May 23, 2010.
 Joseph P. McGee '54

C.E. on May 29, 2010.
 Joseph A. Wyatt '54
 VSB, Acct., on March 20.
 Joseph W. Distel '55
 M.E. on Sept. 3, 2010.
 Rev. Anthony J. Wasko,
 O.S.A., '55 A&S, Arts, on Jan. 26.
 Raymond C. Wheeler '55
 VSB, Eco., on April 8.
 Thomas Louis Brogan
 '56 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 3.
 Michael A. Erdek '56
 A&S, Arts, on Oct. 11, 2010.
 Edward G. Fleck Jr.
 '56 Ch.E. on April 9.
 Robert D. Koppenhafer
 '56 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 26.
 Frank Leonard '56
 C.E. on March 24.
 William G. Englert '57
 VSB, Eco., on March 16.
 James T. McCarthy '57
 VSB, Eco., on May 2.
 George E. Christmann
 Jr. '58 M.E. on May 7.
 Richard M. Dressler, Ph.D.,
 '58 A&S, Edu., on May 25.
 Michael Kelleher '58
 C.E. on April 6.
 William G. Christman '59 E.E.
 on April 8.
 James D. Grazione '59
 VSB, Eco., on March 8.
 Matthew Joseph Hicks Jr.
 '59 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 15.
 James A. Keegan '59 A&S,
 Gen., '59 G.S.Edu. on March 18.

1960s

Robert Joseph Bogle Jr. '60
 VSB, Eco., on May 4.
 John G. Federico '60 A&S,
 Physics, on March 12.
 John V. Hagosky '60
 VSB, Eco., on May 17.
 Oscar J. Pearl Jr. '60 VSB,
 Eco., on May 21, 2010.
 Mary Chapmen Earley '61 Nur.
 on April 19.
 Charles J. Cooper '61 A&S,
 Arts, on Jan. 15.
 Terrence P. Curley '61 A&S,
 Pol.Sci., on March 31, 2009.
 Gabriel J. DiFederico '61
 G.S.Appl.Sci. on April 4, 2007.
 William Edward Dudley Digges
 '61 VSB, Bus.Adm., on Jan. 14.
 John M. Hickey, Esq., '61
 VSB, Eco., '64 J.D. on March 7.
 Edward J. Shannon '61 M.E.
 on April 4.
 Lawrence E. Sopko '62
 VSB, Bus.Adm., on May 19.
 Edward J. Clinton '63
 G.S.Edu. on April 2.
 David E. Leopin '63 VSB,
 Eco., on Jan. 19, 2010.
 John J. "Jack" Begley '64
 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 23.

Villanova Soccer Star Plays in World Cup



When Jillian Loyden '08 A&S was a young girl, she watched the US women's soccer team win the gold medal at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

This summer, little girls with big soccer dreams were watching her. Loyden was a member of the US team for the 2011 Women's World Cup in Germany. She was one of 21 players named to the team last May.

Loyden, a goalkeeper, made her World Cup debut after an historic career as a Wildcat. She is the only Villanova player to be named a first-team All-American and is also the only three-time winner of the BIG EAST Goalkeeper of the Year Award. She earned All-BIG EAST honors all four years of her prolific collegiate career and holds six different school records.

Loyden has been part of the US national team since February 2010.

"I never thought I would be here," Loyden told the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. "It was a far-fetched dream. It didn't seem like this could be a reality, but I was given the chance and just ran with it."

Joseph J. Bonner Jr. '64
 A&S, Physics, on May 18.
 Frank A. Archinaco '65
 VSB, Eco., on Feb. 17.
 Gerald Thomas "Jerry" Chap-
 man '65 VSB, Eco., on May 6.
 Edwin W. Moore '65
 G.S., Arts, on April 4.
 Michael Brennan Egan
 '66 VSB, Eco., on April 13.
 Kenneth A. Friday
 '66 E.E. on May 24.
 Robert J. Jones '66
 M.E. on Jan. 29.
 Richard E. Duffy '67
 G.S.Arts on July 4, 2010.
 Sister Hilda M. Finnerty '67
 G.S.Lib.Sci. on Dec. 28, 2010.
 Paul J. Reynolds '67
 VSB, Eco., on Jan. 25.
 James Johnston Howe
 Jr. '68 E.E. on May 5.
 Mary Margaret McKernan
 Master '68 Nur. on March 6.

Anthony T. Murray '68
 VSB, Bus.Adm., on March 19.
 Robert Jeffrey "Bob" Ried
 '68 A&S, Pol.Sci., on Feb. 20.
 Andrew S. "Buddy" Hall Jr.
 '69 VSB, Bus.Adm., on May 22.
 Gerald P. O'Hara '69
 G.S.Arts on May 5.
 William P. Strickland
 '69 A&S, Soc., on Jan. 8.

1970s

Robert William Brown '70
 VSB, Bus.Adm., on April 29.
 Joseph J. McErlane '70
 A&S, Pol.Sci., on Feb. 2.
 Rev. Pravin D. Patel '71
 G.S.Arts on April 17.
 Mary McDonnell Cleland '72
 A&S, Mod.Lang., on Nov. 17, 2010.
 Lawrence H. "Lance" Priddy
 '72 G.S.App.Stat. on Feb. 15.
 Sister Marjorie Downing
 R.S.M., '73 G.S.Hist. on April 23.

Class Notes

Donald P. Fusilli Jr.,
Esq., '73 C.E. on May 17.
Thomas J. Kling '73 C.E.
on May 22.
Francis J. "Frank" Mulhern
'73 VSB, Bus.Adm., on Jan. 11.
Robert C. Pedersen '73
G.S.Hist. on Sept. 3, 2010.
William F. Doyle '74
G.S.Engl. on Nov. 16, 2010.
Walter F. Dozer '74 VSB,
Bus.Adm., on March 4.
Walter J. Letts III '75
VSB, Eco., on Dec. 20, 2010.
Karen Elizabeth Scally '75
G.S.Couns. on April 24.
Ellen Tarlow Weidner
'75 G.S.Arts on May 5.
Ellen Hyman-Browne,
Esq., '76 J.D. on March 29.
Joseph C. McAndrew
'76 G.S.Edu. on March 5.
Claire M. McGrorey '76
A&S, Soc., on March 28.
Mary M. Cohen '78
G.S.Theat. on March 14.
Sister Fredericia Griffin,
D.H.S., '79 G.S.Lib.Sci. on April 29.
Robert J. Vagnoni Jr., Esq.,
'79 A&S, Psy., '83 J.D. on Feb. 5.
Henry C. Welsh '79
G.S.Sec.Couns. on Feb. 12.

1980s

Susan A. Draus '84 A&S, Astr.,
on May 3.
Isabel V. Mason '85 A&S,
Hum.Serv., on March 1.
Michael R. Gatti '86 VSB,
Bus.Adm., on March 21, 2010.
Todd Milne '86
M.W.R.E.E. on Feb. 28.
John F. Greene '88
VSB, Acct., on May 3.

1990s

Michael D. Hagarty '90
VSB, Acct., on March 17.
Neil J. Gaeta '91 A&S,
Pol.Sci., on Jan. 13.
Colleen Dougherty Laurent
'94 VSB, Eco., on Jan. 28.
Colin Andrew Myrtetus '95
A&S, Comm., on Aug. 13.
Kevin Patrick Shea '95
A&S, Engl., on May 30.
Paul Christian Ochs
'96 Cp.E. on March 1.
Maryellen Griffith Fiore
'97 M.S.N. on May 6.

2000s

John E. Connor '01
G.S.Hist. on Jan. 18.

Tomas J. Daniel '06 VSB,
Bus.Adm., on May 8.

Faculty

Fred J. Carrier, associate profes-
sor emeritus of European and
World History, on April 28.

Andrea L. DeMaskey, a
professor at Villanova University
for the past 19 years, on April 3.

Richard Raymond Mc-
Donough, professor who taught
speech communication from 1955
until 1992 and former depart-
ment chair, on March 23.

Jennie Casciano-Savignano,
professor in Villanova's Gradu-
ate School, on Jan. 30.

Staff

John E. Blair, a member of
the Facilities Management
staff since 1984, on April 7.

Friend

Herman R. Shepherd, an honorary
Doctorate of Humane Letters recipient
from Villanova for his work in the field
of aerosol medications, on March 28.

Student

Matthew Charles Ainsworth, a
junior majoring in chemical engi-
neering and French, on March 26.

Corrections

Our apologies to Philip L. Brach,
Ph.D., '89 VSB, Bus.Adm.,
who was incorrectly listed in
the *In Memoriam* section of the
Spring 2011 *Villanova Magazine*.
It was his father who passed
away on December 7, 2009.

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