$50 MILLION DAVIS GIFT MOVES VILLANOVA TOWARD GREATEST POTENTIAL

INVESTMENT ENHANCES STUDENT EXPERIENCE, ENDOWMENT, SCHOLARSHIPS AND MORE
“When you are self-satisfied, you get stuck where you are. ... Keep on walking, don’t stop on the road, don’t turn round and go back.”

— St. Augustine
DEAR FRIENDS,

As this historic academic year winds to a close, I am inspired by the continuing commitment of Villanovans who are working together to help create our bold future.

This forward momentum is building on the strengths of Villanova’s 172-year Augustinian history and capitalizing on the unprecedented academic success of our recent years. That success includes being named a top producer of U.S. Fulbright students; producing our third Rhodes Scholar and first Marshall Scholar; earning various grants and research awards; and staying true to our Augustinian intellectual tradition.

Villanovans have done great things, but we continue to strive to do even more—because we can and because we should. Because our success lifts others and helps to create the kind of world we wish to see—it ignites change.

Pivotal to this journey of change is the recently launched For the Greater Great: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change. With a successful launch on campus and accompanying events in alumni stronghold cities such as Naples; West Palm Beach; Los Angeles; Chicago; Washington, D.C.; Boston; New York; and Philadelphia, the campaign is energizing Villanovans. Some of those alumni have been very involved throughout the years, along with some who are new stewards of the Villanova message because they know that this is something special, and they want—they need—to be a part of it!

There are thousands of people who make Villanova what it is. One alumnus we highlight here is a name familiar to Villanovans: Trustee and campaign Co-Chair James C. Davis ’81 VSB and his wife, Kim. They have committed $50 million to the campaign to be used for student-centered education in the Villanova School of Business.

This transformational gift will enable us to push further and faster toward our goals and serves as a ringing endorsement that Villanova is a university worth investing in and can compete at the highest academic levels. It takes all that is great about Villanova and enhances it—for the good of our University and our world.

As you read in this magazine about the many people and programs that make Villanova exceptional, you, too, will be inspired. Students such as Nick Ader remind us all that our work is worthy of our best efforts. Faculty such as Melissa O’Connor, PhD, MBA, RN, COS-C, who uses research to advance her field and to inform her teaching, and the exciting and groundbreaking academic and scholarship initiatives at the Law School help us visualize a Villanova future characterized by boldness and innovation. All Villanovans can be proud to be a part of this very exciting chapter in our history.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, ’75 CLAS
President
A $50M INVESTMENT WITH GREAT RETURNS

Student-centered initiatives are a key element of the $50 million gift made by alumnus Jim Davis and his wife, Kim. Students, like these soon-to-be-alumni, will benefit through expanded opportunities and access to Presidential Scholarships, as well as a strong endowment.
UNVEILING A MASTERPIECE
Villanova collaborates on a historic project to conserve an old master painting.

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT
Innovative programs help Villanovans engage the world.

NURSING PARTNERSHIPS DRIVE CARE HOME
Evidence-based research guides home-based care for older adults.

NEW RESPONSIVE WEBSITE
Villanova University has launched a new main website (www.villanova.edu) that automatically optimizes its content based on the width and orientation of the visitor’s screen. This concept is called responsive web design. If a website has been developed using responsive technology, a browser will recognize the screen size of the device calling up the site—be it a smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer—and display the appropriate files for that screen.

The impetus behind this project was having a mobile-friendly website as content-rich as the desktop configuration. In the past year, visits from mobile phones have increased by nearly 60 percent and visits from tablets have increased by more than 35 percent.
Scholarship for Journalism Interns

A new scholarship will help students interested in careers in journalism to pursue internship opportunities in the field. The John H. Taylor Jr. ’75 Endowed Journalism Scholarship provides students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences’ Communication Department with the financial resources to gain practical experience through a qualified internship.

Mentoring Program Is Launched

The Clay Center at the Villanova School of Business launched the VSB Mentoring Program. It offers a personalized experience by pairing a student with a mentor in the student’s chosen field. Mentors will be able to advise students on immediate steps they can take to enhance their professional development and future success. Mentees will have the guidance of trusted advisers and professional role models to support them in making decisions, navigating the business world and planning their careers.

LEVEL’s Impact Recognized

LEVEL, a student group focused on “leveling the playing field” and bridging the gap between students with abilities and disabilities through education and teamwork, was named a national winner in Johnson & Johnson’s 2013 BE VITAL Challenge video contest. The company awarded LEVEL $5,000 Jan. 16.

EPA Funds Stormwater Research

The Environmental Protection Agency has awarded a $1 million grant to Villanova University for stormwater management research in the city of Philadelphia. In partnership with the Philadelphia Water Department, the project’s principal investigator is Robert Traver, PhD, PE, D.WRE, F.EWRI, F.ASCE, ’82 MS, professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and director of the Villanova Center for the Advancement of Sustainability in Engineering. Collaborators include departmental colleagues Bridget Wadzuk, PhD, ’00 COE, associate professor (center); and Andrea Welker, PhD, PE, professor (right). The center’s faculty also have received a nearly $226,000 stormwater facility research grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Villanovans Win Elite Scholarships

Jessica Wamala ’13 CLAS (right), a graduate student in Political Science at Villanova, became the third Villanovan to receive a Rhodes Scholarship, which will fund her pursuit of a degree at the University of Oxford. A Presidential Scholar who majored in Political Science, Arab and Islamic Studies; and Global Interdisciplinary Studies, Wamala interned at the US Embassy in Belgrade, Serbia, and at the US Department of State’s Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs. Presidential Scholar Joana Petrescu ’14 CLAS (left) was named a 2014 Marshall Scholar. The first Villanovan to be selected for this honor, Joana will study cancer biology at the University of Cambridge. She is a Biochemistry, French and Honors major, and has participated in research at Villanova, Thomas Jefferson University and The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. Nicholas Ader ’15 CLAS (profiled on Page 32) was awarded a 2014 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. Gregory Campbell ’14 COE and SeHwan Kim ’15 COE were named Honorable Mentions. Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship recipients Enmanuel Almonte ’16 COE and Michael Kaufman ’16 VSB are studying at the National University of Singapore and in Cambridge, respectively.
NEW ONLINE MASTER’S PROGRAMS

The Villanova School of Business will offer two master’s degrees online starting fall 2014: the Master of Business Administration and the Master of Science in Analytics. The online MBA will provide VSB graduate students with the option of completing the degree in the Online Track, Fast Track or Flex Track program. Students earn the same Villanova MBA—with the same curriculum, taught by the same faculty—in a convenient, flexible online format. The MSA program is a new graduate offering available in an online format only. It will expose students to the analytics continuum—from data collection to analysis to implementation and use—and prepare them to assist organizations in developing and sustaining a unique competitive advantage.

AWARD HONORS JUSTICE LOBBY

The Center for Peace and Justice Education presented its 2013 Adela Dwyer-St. Thomas of Villanova Peace Award to NETWORK, a national Catholic social justice lobby. Sister Simone Campbell, SSS, executive director, accepted the award.

Distinguished Nursing Alumnae Lauded

The College of Nursing celebrated the silver anniversary of its premier event, the Annual Mass and Alumni Awards Ceremony, April 5, and honored three alumnae for their extraordinary accomplishments.

M. Louise Fitzpatrick, EdD, RN, FAAN, Connelly Endowed Dean and Professor of Nursing, bestowed the College of Nursing Medallion, the College’s highest honor, upon health care consultant Denise Fessler ’97 MSN, who received the medallion for Distinguished Leadership in Health Care Management; and Sally Poliwoda ’87, who received the medallion for Distinguished Service to the Health of the Community for her work with the Homeless Health Initiative at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. Jeanne Jellig Alhusen, PhD, CRNP, RN, ’93, assistant professor at the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, received the Emerging Scholar Award for her research in maternal attachment and its influence on early childhood outcomes.

Law Deanship Named in Honor of Arthur J. Kania ’56

The Villanova University School of Law deanship position has been named in honor of Arthur J. Kania ’56. Kania and his wife, Angela, have provided significant support to the Law School’s initiatives throughout VLS’ history.

“Art Kania has been a trusted adviser to each of the deans of Villanova Law, from Harold Reuschlein to the present,” says John Y. Gotanda, JD, who serves as The Arthur J. Kania Dean of Villanova University School of Law. “There is no better way to honor his commitment, vision and generosity.”

Kania has served as vice chairman of the Villanova University Board of Trustees, as president of the Development Council and as a life member of the Law School’s Board of Consultants.

Congressman Commends Math Professor

Andrew Woldar, PhD, a professor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, was commended by Rep. Patrick Meehan of Pennsylvania on the floor of the House in Washington, D.C., Jan. 31. The congressman publicly lauded Dr. Woldar and Villanova University for their recent research grant from the National Science Foundation. Dr. Woldar’s project on algebraic graph theory was recognized by the NSF for its important contribution to the mathematical sciences.

Fedigan Hall has earned Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design Gold Certification for Commercial Interior. The 80-year-old building, renovated in 2009 into an eco-friendly residence hall, is Villanova’s fifth building to achieve LEED certification.
Scholars, Donors Forge Bonds

The third annual Endowed Scholarship Dinner, held March 24, recognized the generous donors who support Villanova through endowed scholarships and the students who benefit from their gifts. This year, 538 students were awarded endowed scholarships, part of the record $105 million Villanova provided in financial aid and scholarships. The event underscored the impact that alumni, parents and friends have in making a Villanova education accessible to deserving students.

“Villanova is a great institution because of the students we welcome each year,” said Michael J. O’Neill, vice president for University Advancement. “We have the privilege to cultivate such talent because of your extraordinary generosity.”

Cryopreservation Breakthroughs

Jens Karlsson, PhD, professor of Mechanical Engineering (standing), has conducted breakthrough research on ice formation in tissue cells. His findings have implications for the cryopreservation of human organs, which could vastly improve the potential for lifesaving transplants.

NSF FEATURES

ENGINEERS’ WORK

Research conducted in the Center for Energy-Smart Electronic Systems at Villanova University has been selected for inclusion in the National Science Foundation’s 2014 Compendium of Industry-Nominated Technology Breakthroughs. “Data Center Waste Energy Recovery and Re-Use” reflects the work of Mechanical Engineering Professor and Nova-therm Laboratory Director Amy Fleischer, PhD, ’91 COE, ’96 MS, principal investigator; and Gerard Jones, PhD, ’72 COE, professor of Mechanical Engineering and senior associate dean for Graduate Studies and Research.

Sent Forth to Serve

At the Feb. 28 Spring Break Commissioning in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, ’75 CLAS, University president, blessed students before they dispersed to service sites in the United States and around the world.

Church Management Marks 10 Years

The Villanova School of Business’ Center for Church Management and Business Ethics marked its 10th anniversary March 4 with the conference “The Catholic Parish in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities.” Georgetown University, commemorating the 50th anniversary of its Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate, also participated.

Graduate Programs Score High

The Master of Science in Church Management program earned the Villanova School of Business the No. 17 spot in U.S. News & World Report’s ranking of Best Online Degree Programs: Graduate Business. In the 2013 Bloomberg Businessweek ranking, the Villanova MBA placed No. 19 in the nation and No. 3 in the Mid-Atlantic region for top Part-Time MBA programs. It also ranked No. 13 in the nation and No. 2 regionally for academic quality.
Seven advanced practice nurses completed the College of Nursing’s rigorous two-year Doctor of Nursing Practice Program in December and were hooded at the February Winter Convocation in St. Thomas of Villanova Church. The Class of 2013 comprised nurse anesthetists and nurse practitioners, all of whom continued to work as advanced practice nurses in states from Connecticut to South Carolina while in the program. As part of this practice-focused doctoral program, offered primarily through distance learning, they completed DNP projects related to their work environments. The program emphasizes broad systems thinking to facilitate the design and implementation of models of patient care and clinical practice. Visit villanova.edu/nursing/dnp for the list of their projects. 

Richard Painter, S. Walter Richey Professor of Corporate Law, University of Minnesota Law School; Patrick McKinley Brennan, John F. Scarpas Chair in Catholic Legal Studies, Villanova University School of Law; William Cardinal Levada, prefect emeritus, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Holy See; Joseph Vining, Harry Burns Hutchins Collegiate Professor of Law emeritus, University of Michigan School of Law; and Kenneth Pennington, Kelly-Quinn Professor of Ecclesiastical and Legal History, Columbus School of Law and School of Canon Law, The Catholic University of America, participated in the conference.
At the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting in Denver, Environmental Science major Katherine Wister ’15 CLAS presented her research at a session on assessing the environmental and social implications of hydraulic fracturing. Over the summer, she had investigated the links between the effect of shale gas hydro-fracking on water quality and its effect on residents’ opinions of their health and water quality in north-central Pennsylvania.

Kathryn Keneally, assistant attorney general, Tax Division, US Department of Justice, was among the panelists.

**Symposium Tackles Tax Issues**

The Villanova Law Review Norman J. Shachoy Symposium convened academics, practitioners and policymakers Sept. 27 to examine issues of US tax administration. Topics included the expanded use of whistleblower powers to gather information on tax abuse and the IRS’ plan to expand oversight of tax return preparers.

**Engineering Fields of Dreams**

John Stranix ’78 COE (right, with Randy Weinstein, PhD, professor of Chemical Engineering and associate dean for Academic Affairs, College of Engineering) was the 2014 Patrick J. Cunningham Jr. and Susan Ward ’80 Endowed Lecture Series speaker. The Feb. 21 presentation was titled “Building Fields of Dreams: Project Management as a Key to Success.” Stranix Associates LLC has provided engineering project management and owner representation services for such projects as Citizens Bank Park, in Philadelphia; and Nationals Park, the Verizon Center and the United States Institute of Peace, all in Washington, D.C.

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**Students Win Real Estate Competition**

Villanova School of Business seniors Sean Bryce, Lauren Nygren, Jack Herrill, Michael O’Neill, Catherine Milane and Rachael Paolino won first place and a $10,000 cash prize at the fifth annual Cornell International Real Estate Case Competition. The event was held Nov. 14 in New York City.
Fighting Human Trafficking

The Matthew J. Ryan Law and Public Policy Forum, held Oct. 18 at Villanova University School of Law, focused on combating the commercial sexual exploitation—human trafficking—of women and children in Pennsylvania. This was one of the first times that victim advocates, public defenders, prosecutors, law enforcement officers and academics came together to assess the state’s approach and create an action plan.

Jobs That Better the World

Villanova University’s second annual Careers in International Development Day March 26 exposed students to the most up-to-date information on the education, skills and experience needed to pursue careers in international relief and development. Top professionals in such fields as advocacy and policy impact, global health, government foreign service, humanitarian engineering and social entrepreneurship shared their expertise.

1842 Heritage Society Shows Wildcat Pride

Members of the 1842 Heritage Society celebrated Villanova’s basketball legacy at a special gathering Dec. 21. The Society’s newest annual event, Heritage Day at the Pavilion included a reception at the Connelly Center with former Wildcats Whitey Rigsby ’78 VSB, senior major gifts officer in Athletics; and Steve Pinone ’87 VSB, ’89 MA, senior director of Advancement for Men’s Basketball.

Director of Planned Giving Steve Grouke (pictured) shared a special gift from the late Thomas J. Carmody Jr. ’55 VSB: his Illinois “NOVA FAN” license plate. Carmody left a generous portion of his estate to Villanova, creating a legacy for future generations with endowments to support the Villanova School of Business and Men’s Basketball, and gifts to support scholarships and the Football program.

Society members later watched Villanova defeat the Rider Broncs. Because it coincided with Alumni Night at the Pavilion, the event provided a wonderful opportunity for members to connect with one another and visit with alumni players and coaches.

Poet Named Heimbold Chair

Internationally recognized poet Eamonn Wall, PhD, is the 2014 Charles A. Heimbold, Jr. Chair of Irish Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The author of six volumes of poetry and two essay collections, in addition to numerous stories and essays, Dr. Wall taught an Honors poetry-writing workshop and an Irish-American fiction seminar this semester. The visiting artist-in-residence program offers Irish Studies students an enriching and close classroom experience with one of Ireland’s finest literary voices.

Conversations on the Church and the World


Facilitated by CLAS faculty, the conversations revolved around the document’s central themes, including the roles of the Church in the world today and achieving peace through interfaith understanding and dialogue.
Students Learn Impact of Alumni Giving

The Villanova Annual Fund, Senior Class Gift Committee and Student Alumni Association (SAA) have been working together to educate students about the impact of annual gifts from alumni, parents, students and friends of Villanova.

On the second annual TAG Day Oct. 24, the Senior Class Gift Committee set up a campaign-themed, tag-based scavenger hunt around campus. When scanned with a smartphone, the tags prompted donor video messages to display on screen. Students who completed the scavenger hunt won a prize. The TAG Day program has earned national recognition and is a recipient of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education’s 2013 Circle of Excellence Gold Award.

SAA hosted I Love Villanova Day Feb. 27, part of national Student Philanthropy and Engagement Day. Students shared what they love most about Villanova in a photo booth on campus. The photos were posted on SAA’s Facebook page.

Earlier that week, the Annual Fund and Senior Class Gift Committee invited students to participate in the “Together We Are Greater” Photo Challenge. Students submitted photos that captured the essence of For the Greater Great: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change.
Teams Triumph in Conference Championships

Men’s Cross Country
Led by individual conference champion Patrick Tiernan, the Men’s Cross Country team cruised to the fifth BIG EAST team title in program history, posting Villanova’s best-ever winning score at the conference meet. Tiernan and seniors Sam McEntee and Alex Tully, junior Brian Basili, and sophomores Rob Denault and Jordy Williamsz earned All-BIG EAST recognition for top-15 individual finishes.
Villanova also took the team title at the NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regional. Tiernan won the individual title and was named the Mid-Atlantic Region Athlete of the Year. The Wildcats made a program record seventh consecutive appearance at the NCAA Championships, where Tiernan came in 10th individually to earn All-America honors.

Men’s Indoor Track and Field
Villanova swept the distance events in winning the program’s fourth BIG EAST title and first since 1986. Along the way to recording the highest team score in conference history, the Wildcats won seven events. Head coach Marcus O’Sullivan ’84 VSB, ’89 MBA and his staff were named the BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year.
The big win on the first day of the conference meet went to Chris O’Sullivan, Cory Serfoss, Ben Malone and Dusty Solis in the distance medley relay. Also taking first place were Samuel Ellison (500 meters), Josh Lampron (1,000), Jordy Williamsz (mile), Sam McEntee (3,000), Patrick Tiernan (5,000) and Elbert Maxwell (long jump).

Women’s Indoor Track and Field
Senior Emily Lipari became the first conference athlete in 20 years to be a repeat selection as the Most Outstanding Track Performer at the BIG EAST Championships, and Villanova extended its league record by winning the 12th team title in program history. Head coach Gina Procaccio ’87 VSB and her staff were named the BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year.
Lipari also became the first three-time individual champion in the 1,000 meters and, along with Stephanie Schappert, Angel Piccirillo and Nicky Akande, won the 4x800-meter relay. Other individual champions were Emerald Walden (60-meter hurdles), Piccirillo (mile), Alexandra Wasik (pole vault) and Anne Yahiro (triple jump).

Women’s Swimming and Diving
Villanova won its sixth conference title and first since 1996 at the BIG EAST meet. Head coach Rick Simpson was named the BIG EAST Women’s Coach of the Year, and sophomore Fiona Hardie shared Women’s Most Outstanding Performer honors. The Wildcats won 14 of the 18 events to finish with 924 points. The individual champions were junior Sara Jurek (200, 400 individual medley), junior Katrin Heider (100, 200 freestyle), Hardie (100, 200 butterfly), sophomore Kaisla Kollanus (50 freestyle) and freshmen Erin Merkle (500, 1,650 freestyle). Hardie, Jurek, and freshmen Colleen Lord and Kristin Hafler won the 200-yard medley relay and set a school record.
Profiles in Leadership

Three distinguished members bring diverse knowledge, skills and experience to Villanova University’s Board of Trustees.

By Suzanne Wentzel

Clockwise from top right: Denise L. Devine, CPA, MBA, ‘77 VSB, ‘83 MTax; Robert F. Moran ‘72 VSB; and Thomas A. Wagner III ‘92 VSB
Denise L. Devine, CPA, MBA, ’77 VSB, ’83 MTax
TRUSTEE

Denise L. Devine lives ahead of the curve. The Lebanon, Pa., native was the first in her family to go away to college. As a freshman business student in 1973, she often was one of only several women in the classroom. She was an inaugural inductee into Villanova’s chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma International Honor Society and graduated at the top of her class.

In 1989, when Devine was director, Financing and Investment Strategy, at Campbell Soup Co., her foresight led her into new territory. Long before a national initiative would spotlight childhood obesity, she decreed the lack of nutritious options for kids on the go. To address this problem, Devine co-founded and became president and CEO of Nutripharm Inc., which researches and develops natural food, beverage, pharmaceutical and nutraceutical products. Its innovative technology platform has led to 19 patents.

Devine, a recipient of the St. Thomas of Villanova Alumni Medal, shares her knowledge, passion and prescience with the institution that also is alma mater to her husband, Francis Devine Jr., CPA, ’77 VSB, and two of their children, Kathryn ’06 VSB and Nicholas ’09 CLAS. She is on the advisory committees for the Villanova School of Business’ Center for Marketing and Public Policy Research, and the College of Nursing’s MacDonald Center for Obesity Prevention and Education. “Denise makes valuable contributions through her business acumen and visionary perspective of nutritional health and the food industry,” says Assistant Professor Marcia Costello, PhD, RD, LDN, whom Devine has succeeded as Advisory Committee chair.

Since 2006, Devine has served on the Board of Trustees, and she chairs its first Audit and Risk Committee. Under her leadership, this group put Villanova ahead of the trend in developing an enterprise risk assessment project. Such results speak to Devine’s ability to read the signs of the times and act on them. “I’m driven by social impact—an attitude influenced by Villanova’s values.”

Robert F. Moran ’72 VSB
TRUSTEE

Robert F. Moran remembers where he was April 1, 1985, the date that lives in Wildcat glory: in Mexico City, watching the historic basketball upset with Villanova and Georgetown alumni. He was far from his hometown of Clifton Heights, Pa., and from the campus where, as a child, he had seen his great uncle the Rev. Edward Moran, OSA, laid to rest.

Yet Villanova was always in Moran’s head and heart. The University had prepared him well for a career as an international retail executive with an impressive record of managing turnarounds and growing companies to new levels of profit.


Moran’s all-out approach enhanced his leadership at Sears, Roebuck and Co.; Galerías Preciados; Toys R Us, Canada, Ltd.; and PetSmart Inc., where he was chairman and CEO when he retired in 2013. During his 16 years in foreign cities from Lima to Madrid, Moran embraced each locale’s people, language and culture. His openness and collaborative management style earned him the respect and friendship of colleagues worldwide.

Recognizing the value of his “robust, rigorous education” and his international experiences, Moran, a lifelong devotee of running, has made generous gifts to Villanova: one to establish the Robert Moran Sr. and Elenore Moran Center for Global Leadership in the Villanova School of Business, and one to support the Men’s and Women’s Track and Field programs.

As he begins his term on the Board of Trustees, Moran will bring to bear his retailing expertise, especially his understanding of the revolution in how consumers shop and access information. “Those same attitudes will affect Villanova as it evolves to be at the forefront of education.”

Thomas A. Wagner III ’92 VSB
TRUSTEE

Villanova prepared Thomas A. Wagner III to succeed by giving him the opportunity to fail. Attracted to the University’s outstanding programs in engineering and business, Wagner came from Franklin, Mass., to study the former. By his junior year, he realized he was better suited to the latter. Knowing it would mean going to summer school, staying a fifth year and running dangerously low on funds, Wagner switched to Accountancy. He has never regretted either path.

“One of the most important lessons I learned at Villanova is that life offers many more examples of failure than success. It is how you handle failure that determines how successful you’ll be,” Wagner says.

In 2008, Wagner left his job as a managing director at Goldman Sachs to co-found Knihthead Capital Management LLC, a New York-based firm that focuses on long-short investments and specializes in event-driven, distressed-credit and special-situation opportunities across an array of industries. His not surprising attraction to “an industry filled with failure” allows Wagner to parlay eclectic talents: expertise in corporate finance, imagination, creativity and an optimism rooted in his academic and spiritual development at Villanova.

Wagner, the father of 6-year-old twins, is grateful for the many ways in which Villanova assisted him as a student, and he has established a scholarship to pay it forward. Recently elected to the Board of Trustees, he is dedicated to helping his alma mater grow into a premier, nationally ranked institution.

Those close to Wagner since his undergraduate days testify to his deep devotion to the University. “Some of Tom’s strongest friendships were formed during his years there,” says Peter Harrington, Esq., ’91 CLAS, a partner at Bleakley Platt and Schmidt LLP. “He also appreciates that the Villanova community supported him at a critical time in his life and, in a real way, helped him become the person he is today.”
IN TODAY’S nanosecond-paced, globally connected world, one of the fastest-growing intersections is that of business and law. Attorneys who lack the knowledge and skills to navigate this critical junction risk “blocking the box.” They slow the flow of work and pay a heavy fine: loss of clients’ time, money and confidence.

Villanova University School of Law is making sure its graduates have the breadth and depth to thrive at this competitive crossroad and along whatever route they travel. Responding to changes in the nature and methods of legal practice, the Law School has reshaped its curriculum to emphasize the more sophisticated, hands-on approach that the industry demands. Its innovations ground students in the complexities of the law-business nexus; expose them to the economic realities that drive law firms; and engage them in the current thought of leading practitioners.

“Firms want attorneys who can hit the ground running,” says John Y. Gotanda, JD, The Arthur J. Kania Dean of Villanova University School of Law. “Our efforts are designed to provide students with the skills they need to practice on day one and throughout their careers.”

Getting down to business
These efforts are bearing fruit. This semester, VLS implemented two weeklong learning modules that integrate business skills into the curriculum. The Joseph Del Raso Business and Financial Literacy for Lawyers course introduces first-year students to the must-know business and financial principles that come into play in current legal practice. Students apply what they learn to real-life scenarios and get feedback from attorneys.

In the Business Aspects of Law course, second- and third-year students learn that law is not just a profession. It is a business. The more firmly budding lawyers grasp the nuts and bolts of legal practice, from revenue generation to project management, the more likely they will be to succeed, make informed career choices and satisfy clients who put a premium on efficiency.

“The new program at Villanova hits the mark,” says Colleen Nihill, JD, ’01, chief administrative officer at Dechert LLP and a lecturer for the module. “Law students now more than ever need to be prepared to understand the business of law so they can better serve their clients.”
and launch a successful career path inside a law firm, whatever the size might be. I only wish they had had a program like this when I attended VLS!"

While these innovations broaden students’ skills, others deepen them. For example, legal writing is essential to professional success. But in a cost-conscious, technologically driven market, the nature of this writing has changed, with less emphasis on long memos and more on shorter, electronic communications. The redesigned writing program now spans six semesters and includes assignments that reflect these changes.

**Launch of signature center**

The linchpin unifying many of these initiatives is the new Center for Law, Entrepreneurship and Innovation. Directed by Rufus King, JD, a veteran of high-tech and venture capital law, the center is becoming a signature resource for programming, learning opportunities and thought leadership. The center’s Clinic for Law and Entrepreneurship is one reason why.

Through the clinic, which launches next academic year, students will provide legal services to startups and enterprising thinkers working with Villanova’s Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship. Everybody will win. New ventures will receive advice on intellectual property, contracts and other matters. Student lawyers, assisted by Villanova faculty, will benefit from real-world experience.

So committed is the Law School to students’ learning-by-doing that it has woven more hands-on experiences into the curriculum. In addition to greater opportunity for clinical work, VLS has expanded its repertoire of externships to include for-profit businesses and has increased the availability of credit hours for externships. Advancing these efforts is Peter Thompson, JD, LLM, ’92 CLAS, ’98 VLS, the inaugural director of Experiential Learning.

**Innovation scholars program unveiled**

The Law School not only is transforming its educational experience; it also is making it more affordable. In January, VLS unveiled the Innovation Scholars Program. It will fund up to 50 three-year, full-tuition scholarships for students entering in fall 2014. The name and timing of the program celebrate the launch of the center and reinforce what a Villanova education will deliver.

And “deliver” the Law School will. While all its programs are robust, VLS is flush with strengths related to business and law: faculty expertise; deep programming; collaboration with a premier business school; alumni who excel in this market; and proximity to a region that abounds with job opportunities. “In a time when legal education is facing tremendous challenges, we need to play to our strengths and capitalize on them,” Dean Gotanda says.

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**Our mantra has been to be bold, imaginative and innovative.”**

—Dean John Y. Gotanda, JD

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**Strategic plan in action**

The roadmap for these innovations is VLS’ five-year strategic plan, “Advance. Transform. Lead.” To get a detailed picture of changes and challenges in the legal profession, the planners embarked on an exhaustive, collaborative and transparent process. Their thoroughness paid off. Guided by the plan’s seven imperatives, the Law School has been awash with implementing steps to realize its vision. “Our mantra has been to be bold, imaginative and innovative,” Dean Gotanda says. “We need to take chances and challenge conventional wisdom.”

Key to that “we” are alumni. They have contributed at every stage, pitching ideas, shaping innovations, offering feedback and funding initiatives. For example, a seven-figure gift from Charles Widger, JD, ’73, founder and executive chairman of Brinker Capital, has supported the launch of the center.

The Law School’s determination to “see around the corner,” as Dean Gotanda puts it, means that its graduates will never be blindsided. Beneficiaries of an education custom-made for the times, Villanova lawyers will be able to merge smoothly into the workforce and approach even the busiest of intersections with assurance.
The $50 million Davis gift is student-centered and will provide Villanovans with an outstanding education, unprecedented opportunities, scholarship support and much more. VSB students Marissa McNally, Michael O’Neill, Kelly Gabriel and Jack Chong are among the exceptional students who credit VSB with preparing them for career leadership roles.
A $50M Investment With GREAT RETURNS

On and off campus, students, alumni and friends—even the national higher education community—are abuzz about the campaign in which Villanova is now fully immersed, For the Greater Great: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change. With a clear and bold vision of what the future can hold, the campaign is positioning Villanova to solidify its place as an elite, nationally recognized Catholic university and enabling it to cultivate initiatives that will prepare students and alumni to ignite change.
The strategy of For the Greater Great: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change—its focus on academics, a breadth that will benefit students across all colleges, and its deliberate effort to build the endowment—has captured the attention of alumni around the world, with many giving to the best of their abilities—even stretching—to make a gift that will make a difference. Each of these gifts is igniting change and inspiring others to do the same.

Particularly inspiring: the largest gift in Villanova’s history, $50 million from James C. “Jim” Davis ’81 VSB and his wife, Kim. “This extraordinary gift illustrates the boldness of this campaign,” says the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, ’75 CLAS, Villanova University president. “The significant investment in the University reflects an unwavering belief in its mission and a desire to play a key role in charting its future. I am grateful to Jim and Kim for this historic, inspirational and transformational gift, which has ushered in a new era of philanthropy at Villanova.”

Jim and Kim designated their commitment to the Villanova School of Business. And with many Villanova students working on cross-disciplinary projects, service learning opportunities, classes and more, the Davis gift is sure to impact many students. The gift will greatly enhance the endowment, meaning that tomorrow’s students will benefit as well.

“The Davis’ remarkable gift will allow us to enhance the educational experience for all Villanovans and to continue to create an unprecedented environment in the world of business education, one that transforms lives, impacts society, nurtures creativity, provides a global perspective and develops ethical leaders,” says Patrick G. Maggitti, PhD, The Helen and William O’Toole Dean of the Villanova School of Business.

WHY I GIVE
Jim, chairman and co-founder of Allegis Group Inc., the nation’s largest staffing firm, and Kim live in Maryland with their son and daughter, but they have been a constant presence on campus at trustee meetings, basketball games, Homecoming and other events. Over the years, the Davises have had broad reach, benefiting academics, athletics and endowment, including Men’s Basketball and its Endowed Fund, the Annual Fund and the President’s Contingency Fund.

Their cornerstone gift to the Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change reflects Jim and Kim’s continuing involvement and commitment to the University on a very personal level. During the last campaign, the Davises, together with Jim’s brother, William G. “Bill” Davis ’85 VSB, and Bill’s wife, Deborah ’87 CON, made a $10 million commitment through The Davis Family Foundation to support an intercollegiate athletics and recreation facility and to create The Davis Foundation Athletic Facility Maintenance Endowment. The
facility was named The Davis Center for Athletics and Fitness, and opened in November 2007.

What compels someone to invest such a large amount into one organization—even a place for which one bleeds blue? The answer, according to Jim Davis, is simple. “I love Villanova. The University has given me a lot in my time here and after my time here. But just as importantly, I believe in Villanova University and its proud tradition of exceptional education. What we do is spectacular. There is a spirit here at Villanova, and I believe in that spirit and in the values that Villanova stands for, and in the education we provide our students. The impact our alumni have on the world is amazing. This is an outcomes-motivated gift, where our investment will create exponential returns both here at Villanova and throughout the world—literally.”

Jim knows of what he speaks. His Villanova experience was life-changing. As a campaign leader, he is working to ensure that others have that experience, too. The campaign, he says, is about making the University accessible for students. Already VSB is a national leader in business education, consistently ranked among the best undergraduate and MBA programs in the nation by Bloomberg Businessweek, and accredited by the prestigious Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The school infuses the Augustinian values of truth, community and caring into everything in which students participate. Hands-on experiences, global learning and leading through service are integrated throughout the curriculum. The School’s reputation for academic rigor, creativity and innovation, state-of-the-art business facilities, and a firm grounding in ethics attracts outstanding students and faculty.

And to Jim’s point, Villanovans are so well-prepared when they leave here that VSB has become a go-to school for national employer recruiting. In the 2012–13 academic year, more than 1,200 companies looked to Villanova to recruit new employees, while another 800 companies sought Villanovans as interns. Approximately 95 percent of VSB students participate in at least one co-op or internship. Within six months of graduation, 99.7% of job-seeking VSB graduates are employed full time at an average starting salary of $55,000.

Cases in point: standout seniors Marissa McNally and Michael O’Neill. Marissa credits Villanova internships with paving the way for her to land the full-time job...
she starts this summer. “I have done four internships, including Pernod Ricard USA and Warner Music Group. I will never forget my times there or the amazing people that I got to learn from.”

Michael, too, credits his job offer to his internships. “I did an internship in London my freshman year with the Global Citizens Program. The more intensive work experience I had was a co-op with Johnson & Johnson in its Corporate Finance division. I am happy and excited to say that I will be returning to J&J following graduation as a member of their finance team with their FLDP program.”

BLUE-SKY THINKING
In business, the term “blue-sky thinking” refers to thought processes that are creative, innovative, original and unconventional. And that is exactly how the thoughtful and comprehensive strategy behind the Davis’ gift was shaped. To structure their gift, Jim and Kim fully explored, along with University and VSB leadership, where and how their investment could spark the most change, the most impact and the greatest outcomes, as well as create the cachet to excite and mobilize the Villanova faithful and prompt them to get involved, too.

The Davis investment reaches several areas, including student enrichment funds; student scholarships; the VSB Dean’s Fund for Strategic Initiatives endowment; and capital improvements.

“The Davis gift honors the heritage of Villanova,” says Michael J. O’Neill, Vice President for University Advancement, “while blazing the path for the future and setting our sights higher and higher. Once again, the Davises have led by example and positioned Villanova to reach our goals.”

WHAT AN EXPERIENCE

The Davis gift gave Jim and Kim and Villanova leadership the opportunity to once again examine critically, strategically and creatively what sets VSB apart and ask: How can we do even better? From those conversations, the James C. Davis ’81 Student Enrichment Fund was born.

VSB also supports signature programs that enhance the student experiences outside the campus community. The student experience already is characterized by the opportunity for internships and international learning, and the fund will further the expansion of unique internship and co-op opportunities; study abroad experiences; and new mentorship, service learning and professional development experiences.

“I love Villanova because it has taught me to always think and question—to never accept the status quo. Through this experience—the opportunities I received and the connections I was fortunate to make while attending Villanova—I am ready and willing to try and change the world,” says Jack Chong ’14, of Courtland Manor, N.Y., who has been another standout among standouts in VSB.

Two fiercely held beliefs fuel Jim’s vision of securing the future of Villanova and making its students and alumni the most sought-after employees in the world. First, Villanova needs to maintain its place as one of the top B-schools in the country and continually build on that success. Second, students should be job-ready on day one when they graduate from Villanova. This led to some of the gift being earmarked for curricular innovations that will allow
VSB to continue to develop industry-relevant courses that connect theory with practice; explore emerging business issues; and support efforts to pursue pedagogical innovation. Additionally, Jim recognizes the need to engage select, nontraditional teaching faculty who can bring to the classroom significant industry experience and a talent for bridging the gap between theory and practice.

“A gift of this size speaks to the commitment and generosity of the Davises,” says Dean Maggitti. “But it also speaks volumes about the quality of Villanova and our ability University-wide to leverage such a significant gift into meaningful programs that will influence students and the education they receive here. It says, I believe Villanova is among the nation’s best, and I am going to help you promote and maintain an environment where innovation, entrepreneurship and opportunity are the norm. I am going to help you grow and make what’s great even better.”

**INVESTING IN STUDENTS**

Want to ignite change? Invest in students, and the sparks will roar to a blaze. The Davises know this for sure and made a pointed decision to commit a significant amount of their support directly to student scholarships. Specifically, they will fund the valuable and prestigious Presidential Scholarship program that attracts and retains some of the country’s most promising business students. The James C. Davis ’81 Scholarship Fund will allow the University to offer Presidential Scholarships to additional VSB students.

Expanding scholarship opportunities will enable and encourage more of these coveted students to choose Villanova. Once here, these students add greater nuances to the fabric that makes up the Villanova student body. Additionally, improving financial aid moves Villanova one step closer to another important priority: meeting full, demonstrated financial need.

**IT’S THE ENDOWMENT**

No Villanova conversation with Jim Davis ends without a mention of the vital importance of endowment. And rightly so. As a successful businessman, trustee and co-chair, Jim is an advocate of long-term financial security for the University—the kind that only a strong endowment can create.

The Davis gift invests in the endowment by supporting the Dean’s Fund for Strategic Initiatives, which provides VSB the flexibility to address the greatest and most pressing needs, as well as act quickly on opportunities that can further VSB’s recognition and success. It allows VSB to be entrepreneurial and move in the competitive space of top-tier business schools.

“This is about being the best version of ourselves—the best Villanova. That is what this campaign is about and what the Davis gift is about,” says Michael J. O’Neill, vice president for University Advancement.

**ENHANCING OUR CAMPUS**

Villanova must continually improve and enhance the learning environment and classroom facilities. The VSB student experience necessitates a physical environment that will replicate the workplace and prepare students for a more technologically complex and collaborative work environment. A portion of the Davis gift is earmarked for that purpose.

“Our business school, unlike many others, really prepares students for the real world,” Jim says. “Our students are prepared for careers, and they are ready to lead—to go out and be successful and ethical leaders. And it’s not just about careers and academics, although that is extremely important. Beyond the learning, it’s the whole spectrum of what makes one successful in a career and in life. I feel strongly about this, and VSB does it exceptionally well, and we want to support and continue that tradition with this gift,” he adds.

**PAY IT FORWARD**

Jim Davis hopes that his gift will inspire other alumni, parents and even students to think about what they can do to help secure the future of Villanova, not just in VSB, but University-wide. “I consider providing support at any level a privilege and an honor—an obligation, really,” Jim says. “We need all of Villanova to come together with that sense of community and commitment to others that drives us and to recognize that now is the time and Villanova is the place where one can make a huge impact on the world—really to ignite change and watch that spark grow.”

The Davis gift earmarks a significant percentage of funds to scholarships. The gift directly supports students while bolstering the endowment and the Strategic Plan.

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FOR THE GREATER GREAT
More than quiet study is taking place in the Old Falvey Library Reading Room. For close to six decades, this original wing housed the 12-x-16-foot oil painting titled *Triumph of David* (also known as *The Presentation of David to King Saul After Slaying Goliath*), attributed to Italian painter and architect Pietro da Cortona (d. 1669) and donated to Villanova in 1950 by American-born, widowed Italian princess Eugenia Ruspoli (nee Jennie Berry). Now the room is home to a historic conservation project breathing new life into the Baroque masterpiece.

The project began when Villanova brought to campus Kristin deGhetaldi, a doctoral candidate in the University of Delaware Art Conservation Department who focuses on the restoration of traditional easel paintings. To ascertain whether the damaged work should and could be salvaged, deGhetaldi extracted tiny samples of flaking pigment for analysis by Anthony Lagalante, PhD, associate professor of Chemistry in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Mendel Science Post-Doctoral Fellow Amanda Norbutus, PhD, ’08 MS. The results unearthed breathtaking colors hidden behind layers of varnish and restoration paint, confirming what Drs. Lagalante and Norbutus had believed: This diamond in the rough was well worth conserving.

**Science in the Service of Art**

As a graduate student in 2007, Dr. Norbutus had become interested in the scientific analysis of art while working with Dr. Lagalante, who specializes in conservation science and had been studying Cortona’s painting. They secured permission for pigment sampling and began their analysis, reexamining and discussing it at three National Science Foundation Advanced Chemistry of Art workshops. The last was in 2012, when the proposed conservation renewed their research. Graduate Chemistry student Kristen Watts, who “came to Villanova to get involved in art conservation projects like this,” joined the team in 2013.

Watts now is immersed in X-ray fluorescence spectroscopy analysis to answer questions about how and what to remove from the canvas without affecting the original brushstrokes. The noninvasive device can scan a small area and signal when it recognizes certain elements, thus indicating the presence of specific pigments. Because X-rays can penetrate down to the canvas, however, it is yet unclear which elements belong to which layer of paint.

“That’s when we will take needle-point-sized microsamples, which are encased in resin and cut in half vertically to create a cross-section that exposes all layers of that sample at once,” explains Dr. Norbutus. “Viewed under visible and ultraviolet light, these cross-sections allow us to learn more about the colors in the individual paint layers, to see how the pigments are bound, and to confirm evidence of varnishes, previous restoration or overpaint.”

“As small as cross-sections are,” adds Watts, “they offer a wealth of information”—all of it implemented by deGhetaldi
Kristin deGhetaldi, a University of Delaware doctoral candidate working with Villanova faculty and students, inspects the Cortona painting before restoration work begins (upper right); the cleaning process reveals the painting’s obscured beauty (above); deGhetaldi removes unoriginal, degraded varnish and overpaint (upper left).

and her interns (currently, Maggie Bearden and Ellen Nigro; and formerly, Emily Wroczynski) as, inch by inch, they clean the painting with solvent-soaked cotton swabs. It’s easy to see why the project will take at least two years, although the progress is impressive. “It’s changing before our eyes,” marvels Associate Professor of Art History Timothy McCall, PhD.

History in the Making
Dr. McCall is a key member of the project’s Art History team, who provide their Chemistry cohorts with details on Cortona’s palette and other materials so that they can assess whether this information “matches up analytically with what we’re finding in the lab,” says Dr. Norbutus. Another historical component hinges on determining the percentage of painting executed by Cortona versus by apprentices. “If we were to find that Cortona did the majority of the work, the painting’s value would immediately increase,” says Mark Sullivan, PhD, assistant professor and director of Villanova’s Art History Program. “We would have Italian scholars lining up to book hotel rooms in the area.”

In the meantime, the mystery continues to unfold. Art History major Rachel Godat ’14 is comparing Triumph of David to the compositions and figural styles of other large Cortona paintings, as well as determining the extent of his workshop. History graduate student Menika Dirkson is investigating the painting’s past, including the background of Princess Ruspoli and the damage the work presumably sustained during World War II, when she fled to the United States from Italy, and German troops overtook her home, Castle Nemi, in the 1944 Battle of Rome. DeGhetaldi believes this damage is likely a result of overexposure to moisture in the ravaged castle. (Ironically, the conservators will use controlled humidification as part of a process to restore flexibility to areas of cracking paint.) Now Dirkson is reaching even further back in time to determine the painting’s line of ownership. “This student research has been very helpful,” notes Dr. McCall. “We can make meaningful contributions to art history through this project.”

That goes double for science. Dr. Norbutus and Watts discuss how much further analysis can go: magnifying a cross-section up to 50,000 times using a scanning electron microscope, and using infrared reflectography to penetrate visible layers and view hidden ones. “This might include the original pencil or charcoal sketch or changes to the painting that the artist made along the way,” says Dr. Norbutus.

Some of those changes—for instance, a collection of unattached feet—are surfacing naturally as a result of the increasing transparency of the aging oil paint and the cleaning process itself. “This is called pentimenti,” says deGhetaldi. “We see it all the time—but this painting has a lot.” She will have many decisions about how to address these ghostly forms when the team moves to the retouching stage. Dr. McCall and other historians will advise on this aesthetic treatment, which, deGhetaldi anticipates, could involve assistance from artistically inclined Villanova students.

An Education in Conservation
The main focus, however, is not on bringing the masterpiece back to its original condition (an impossibility), but on the process itself and what can be learned from it. Whether they are taking a course like The Science of Art—which Dr. Norbutus, assisted by Watts, teaches—or are just curious about the project, students of all majors and their professors, as well as visitors to the library, are encouraged to enter what is affectionately known as “the cage” (the area where the conservators work) and to ask questions.

“This is exactly what the conservation team wants. They’re interested in engaging and explaining. It’s not an interruption to them,” says Dr. McCall.

Such interaction is what makes this conservation effort so special. Unlike most projects, which happen deep in the recesses of museums, this one is visible. “It’s why we’re working the way we are,” adds deGhetaldi, “and why we created a blog and set up a live webcam.”

“The research and teaching and student experiences are all central to the process,” notes Dr. McCall, who plans to teach a class with Dr. Lagalante. “We want this to be a work in progress, and to build momentum and extend these interdisciplinary efforts into the future.”

For now, everyone involved in the project is enjoying, as Dr. Lagalante puts it, “looking back 400 years to what happened in an Italian art studio” and figuring out how this magnificent piece of work was achieved. Princess Ruspoli never could have imagined that her gift would offer such a tremendous opportunity.
Terms of Engagement

Innovative programs help Villanovans engage the world

By Tom Nugent

Whether they’re producing a documentary film about educational disparity or researching best practices in stormwater management, Villanovans have access to unique academic opportunities to achieve the Augustinian mission of creating positive social change. At the heart of this mission is the need to reach out and engage “the other.”

Social Justice Film

If asked how he motivates students in the Center for Social Justice Film to explore divergent worlds such as South Philadelphia and a village in Ghana, Hezekiah Lewis III ’99 CLAS, ’02 MA, assistant professor of Communication, reveals his secret.

“I challenge them to embrace encounters with ‘the other,’” says the award-winning filmmaker. “If they can do that, they’ll discover treasures beyond their wildest expectations.”

Through the center, part of Villanova’s Waterhouse Family Institute for the Study of Communication and Society, students create documentaries that allow them to advocate for societal issues. By connecting with people from different, often stressed worlds, students break down their assumptions.

A community-revitalization event caps the filmmaking process. For example, when students produced *Who Is Wright*, about a South Philadelphia drumming artist, they hosted a concert to benefit local after-school music programs.

The dialogues that students develop are essential to great filmmaking and to the goal of empowering the other, Lewis says. “Good things happen when we dive into and engage other cultures.”

Matthew J. Ryan Center

Founded seven years ago by Colleen Sheehan, PhD, professor of Political Science (right, seated), the Matthew J. Ryan Center for the Study of Free Institutions and the Public Good promotes serious civic engagement by fostering a dialogue among students, faculty and visiting scholars. In pursuit of these ends, the Ryan Center hosts public lectures, research initiatives and conferences. It is a space on campus that is alive with excitement, as spirited young minds gather to discuss the most important ideas influencing American politics.

The Ryan Center has been home to many high-profile educational programs and scholars, including William Allen, PhD, past chairman of the US Commission on Civil Rights (below, right); and Stephen Cambone, PhD, who has held senior positions in the US Department of Defense, (below, left). Notes Assistant Director Brenda Hafera ’12 CLAS, ’12 VSB, ’14 MA (standing), “This gives students the opportunity to interact with and learn from accomplished scholars and thoughtful teachers with real-world political experience.” Drs. Allen and Cambone are engaged in a rigorous research project using Alexis de Tocqueville’s 19th-century classic, *Democracy in America*, as a working model for exploring the American national character.

The center’s offerings promote positive social change, Dr. Sheehan says. “Americans are engaged in what the Founders called ‘the great experiment in self-government.’ The Ryan Center takes that experiment and the principles of the Founders seriously.”

Named in honor of the late Pennsylvania state Rep. Matthew J. Ryan, JD, ’54 VSB, ’59 VLS, the Ryan Center sponsors initiatives that advance civic education in a free, democratic society.
University Honors Program

When Michelle L. Modery, JD, ’09 CLAS recalls her years in the Villanova Honors Program, the Tower of London comes to mind. “I hopped on the Tube and spent the day wandering around the fortress,” says Modery, an associate in the Philadelphia office of Elliott Greenleaf. It was thanks to an Honors Connelly-Delouvrier International Scholarship that Modery, a History major, had been able to study at Queen Mary University in fall 2007.

The Honors Program also prepared her for a career in health care litigation. “It was intellectually demanding and creatively challenging. Both aspects have stood me in good stead.”

Every year, Honors students take advantage of a rigorous academic program marked by innovative flexibility and commitments to engaging the real world. “The Honors Program takes a comprehensive, multidisciplinary approach to learning through its challenging seminars, undergraduate research opportunities and various service projects,” says the Anne Quinn Welsh Endowed Chair and Director of the Honors Program Thomas W. Smith, PhD, who has been at the helm since 2010. “We bring together exceptional students and dedicated faculty to enrich the academic experience.”

Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship

A clear example of how Villanova encourages students to maximize their educational experience is Pitch Day. The annual event is one of many programs sponsored by the Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship (ICE Center), which helps students free their imaginations and focus their energies on new ventures that fill unmet needs.

Central to Pitch Day is the Villanova Student Entrepreneurship Competition. Teams of four to six student entrepreneurs present original ideas and prototypes to a panel of professionals, who award cash prizes for the best projects. “Pitch Day is a celebration of entrepreneurship,” says ICE Center Director Il Luscri. “Today’s marketplace demands engaged workers with creative problem-solving skills, and that’s what this day is all about.”

Sustainability in Engineering

When the Villanova Center for the Advancement of Sustainability in Engineering (VCASE) landed significant stormwater management research grants—one from the US Environmental Protection Agency and one from Pennsylvania’s Department of Environmental Protection—nobody was more excited than Robert Traver, PhD, PE, D.WRE, FEWRI, FASCE, ’82 MS.

“These two grants are going to help VCASE continue its research on finding better ways to deal with stormwater pollution,” says Dr. Traver, who is the director of VCASE and of the Villanova Urban Stormwater Partnership, a pioneering consortium that has co-sponsored numerous research projects.

These studies are the latest in a series of initiatives undertaken by VCASE, which is committed to the integration of sustainability principles into engineering practice. “Sustainable engineering is about discovering new approaches,” Dr. Traver says. “As an engineer and teacher, I find it gratifying to pursue the Augustinian vision of engaging the world to make it better.”

Pitch Day is one of the many offerings through which the Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship fosters cross-college learning and entrepreneurial thinking.
Nursing Partnerships

DRIVE CARE HOME

Evidence-based research guides home-based care for older adults

By Tom Nugent

Almost nothing about the men and women arriving at the Manhattan offices of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York in February 2014 attracted the attention of passersby. Yet this pivotal meeting of more than a dozen specialists accomplished a long-anticipated professional goal of Melissa O’Connor, PhD, MBA, RN, COS-C, assistant professor in the College of Nursing. Under her direction, these experts were embarking on what may be the first study of its kind to examine the key factors that determine a patient’s readiness for discharge from skilled home care.

GROUNDBREAKING PILOT STUDY
Until recently, few researchers studied home-based health care for older patients. This lack of research deprived caregivers of the evidence-based knowledge they need to make effective home-care decisions. The College of Nursing, in partnership with one of the nation’s premier visiting nurse services, is filling this gap, through the groundbreaking pilot study led by Dr. O’Connor, a nurse and researcher with more than 20 years of experience in home health care.

“We’re going to do extensive research on all aspects of decision-making in home health care,” Dr. O’Connor explains. “Even better, we’re going to include our students in the process, so they can get an up-close experience with nursing research in their clinical education. This is a promising breakthrough in nursing research, and it’s underway at Villanova.”

Key steps in the research were the New York focus groups. One overarching question drove the focus groups: How can new,
evidence-based research help geriatric nurses and other skilled providers of home health care make the best decisions about clinical care for older-adult, home-based patients? The ultimate goal of Dr. O’Connor and her colleagues is to build a decision-support tool that will enable providers of home health care to better understand what patients need to thrive in a home setting—and, consequently, says Dr. O’Connor, “to do a better job of ensuring high-quality outcomes.”

During the daylong exchange, nurses, therapists, social workers and physicians explored problems that emerge in home-based health care for older adults. For example, an elderly man with chronic health conditions is discharged to professional home care in an apartment. But when the nurse arrives, she discovers that the patient is a diabetic amputee in a wheelchair and lives on the third floor. “Apparently, no one asked: What if there’s a fire?” Dr. O’Connor says.

In another case, a discharged patient is supposed to receive daily care from his daughter. But because she is overwhelmed with her own medical problems, she can’t care for her father, who ends up back in the hospital. “That’s a classic case of failing to make sure that the nonprofessional caregiver was capable of looking after the older adult,” Dr. O’Connor says.

At the end of this opening phase of the study, Dr. O’Connor was elated by what the group had accomplished. “I can’t tell you how many participants said to me, ‘We’re really happy to be part of this study, because it’s going to help us down the road in our clinical practice.’” Their suggestions helped form a clearer picture of what this interdisciplinary field of home care needs: a decision-support tool that will help professional providers of home health care figure out when home-based patients need more care and when they are able to do well without it.

CRITICAL ROLE OF RESEARCH

As passionate about teaching as she is about researching the quality of outcomes in home care, Dr. O’Connor is thrilled to know that students will be part of this work. This semester, junior nursing students participate in home care visits, allowing them to combine research with clinical care. “A lot of health care is moving from the hospital setting to the home,” Dr. O’Connor says. “It’s our job to prepare students for that.” No one is better suited for the job than Dr. O’Connor, who has published extensively on home care outcomes and the need for more research on decision-making by providers of home health care.

The pilot study is bringing a new emphasis to research and nursing education at Villanova. “Research in home health care will be a big part of the future of such care,” says M. Louise Fitzpatrick, EdD, RN, FAAN, Connelly Endowed Dean and Professor, “and we are pleased to be leading the way.” Dr. O’Connor believes that Dean Fitzpatrick’s dedication to research influenced the decision of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York to partner with Villanova.

While she is anxious to publish the results of the pilot study, Dr. O’Connor is equally excited about the opportunity to initiate the students she has in both the clinical and the classroom settings into the world of nursing research. She thrives on introducing students to the scientific rigors and the demanding intellectual challenges of research as an essential component of good nursing practice.

“I’m determined to expose them to the cutting edge of research in home health care,” she says. “Increasingly, nurses who provide home care and make decisions about that care are going to need these research-related insights if they expect to become skilled practitioners who can achieve quality outcomes for home-care patients.”

—MELISSA O’CONNOR, PHD, MBA, RN, COS-C
It Starts With Good Decisions
Candace Robertson-James, DrPH, ’98 CLAS and George James, LMFT, ’01 CLAS were good friends and had a lot in common during their undergraduate years at Villanova University. A St. Martin de Porres Scholar and a Presidential Scholar, respectively, they participated in many of the same activities and programs, including the Center for Multicultural Affairs and the Villanova Summer Research Institute (VSRI), which brings high school students to Villanova to study science and math.

Candace played a pivotal role in VSRI during her time at Villanova and for several years after graduation. “She brought students from different backgrounds together and helped them create a vibrant family,” says William Fleischman, PhD, professor of Computing Sciences and head of VSRI. “With empathy and determination, she helped the students recognize their potential and take a big leap in their academic progress.”

Candace says the program helped her find her true calling. “I thought I wanted to be a doctor or nurse, but I fell in love with public health through the work we did in VSRI. My passion is to inspire people to be healthier, to make healthier decisions, and to live healthier lives so they can do what they want to do.”

Candace earned a doctorate in Public Health from Drexel University, where today she is the research manager at the Women’s Health Education Program; an assistant professor of Medicine; and the associate director of the Office of Urban Health Equity, Education and Research.

Part of her work is changing the way medical students and professionals treat...
people based on gender, race and class. She also spearheads an active outreach program to test different models of improving health education and awareness in underserved communities. She has seen firsthand the difference her efforts make.

“We held a program in the community to educate people about common health problems,” Candace explains. “One woman realized that her 8-year-old son was showing signs of diabetes. She had thought he was having behavioral issues. Armed with information, she was able to request diabetes testing. His blood-sugar level was extraordinarily high, and she was able to get him appropriate treatment.”

BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER

George also considered becoming a physician but changed direction as a result of his undergraduate experiences. He was an Orientation counselor and the only student representative on the Middle States accreditation committee. He started a gospel radio program with his best friend William “B.J.” Johnson ’02 CLAS; helped the University’s gospel group grow; and formed a men’s group for students to talk about issues they were facing.

“I knew when I met George that he was a visionary who would leave his mark,” Johnson says. Johnson is the assistant director of the men’s national team at USA Basketball. “Having someone like George in my life—someone who pushes me, encourages me, challenges me, and helps me see things in a different way—makes me want to be better.”

George realized his passion was bringing people together and helping them deal with everyday situations. “I really like to listen and to talk to people.” After earning his degree in Psychology, he received a master’s in Family Therapy from Drexel and is working on his doctorate in Clinical Psychology at Immaculata University. George is a licensed marriage and family therapist, speaker, professor and consultant who specializes in helping couples, adult and adolescent men, athletes, entertainers, college students, family-owned businesses and people of color. He works at Council for Relationships in Philadelphia, and owns a communication and consulting business, George Talks LLC.

“I help individuals and couples heal their wounds, improve communication and rebuild trust in their relationships,” George says. “When people have good healthy relationships in one area, it can be contagious and spread into their homes, families, jobs and communities.”

JOINING FORCES

George and Candace married in 2007 and have two children. They support each other as they pursue their passions, and often speak and work together. “I tend to focus on the larger community, and George is more involved with individuals and couples,” Candace says. “We’re both committed to making life better for people.”

“They are the definition of a true power couple,” Johnson says. “Alone, their gifts and talents make a dramatic change in the world. Together, the growth in their power and influence is exponential.”

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“Candace and George are respectful of the educational pioneers who paved the way for them,” says Teresa Nance, PhD, assistant vice president, Multicultural Affairs, and associate professor of Communication. “They accept their responsibility to be the shoulders that hold the next generation of young scholars. They’re paying it forward.”

Candace and George say their connection to Villanova will last a lifetime. “Villanova gave us a great foundation for our marriage, careers and future by giving us opportunities to grow academically and socially; develop leadership skills; and build great friendships with each other, professors, faculty, staff and classmates,” George says. “Personally and professionally, Villanova was there and continues to be there for us.”
Built to Last

Parents Holly and Pat O'Dea appreciate the values of a Villanova education

Villanova University was not on Holly and Pat O'Dea’s radar when they married and started raising a family. But it is playing a pivotal role in helping to educate their children and instill the values that matter to the O'Dea family.

Logan O'Dea '11 COE, Pat and Holly's oldest son, introduced the family to Villanova when he visited campus as a prospective student and said that Villanova “felt comfortable.” The connection between the O'Deas and Villanova has grown deeper over time—and as more O'Deas have chosen Villanova: Erin '14 CON and Sean '16 VSB.

“The themes underlying the decision of each of our children to attend Villanova are common values and community spirit,” Pat says. “When they visited, the school felt like a natural extension of their values-driven home and prior school life. Villanova also was in the top tier of schools for their respective areas of study—engineering, nursing and business. It’s a pretty powerful combination.”

Holly recalls visiting Villanova with Pat and Erin on Candidates’ Weekend. Hundreds of students lined the pathway cheering as the admitted students entered the Pavilion. “The sense of community support and school spirit was overwhelming. Listening to the students express their enthusiasm for and involvement in community service activities was inspiring and contagious,” Holly says.

Erin made her decision to attend Villanova that day. Connor, the youngest O'Dea, is a freshman in high school. No word yet on his college choice, but he owns a closet full of Villanova gear.

A FOCUS ON FAMILY VALUES

Pat and Holly lived in New York, Cincinnati and Chicago before settling in the San Francisco Bay Area. Pat has served in leadership positions in several companies. Most recently, he was president and CEO of Peet’s Coffee & Tea Inc. He remains a consultant to the company and a member of its board of directors. In addition, he has a business that invests in consumer packaged goods and retail startup companies. Holly worked in advertising and public relations before dedicating herself to raising the couple’s four children.

“Our job as parents is to prepare our kids to make a meaningful contribution to the world,” Pat says. “We have to instill in them values that will guide them and the education to make a difference. If we do these two things right, they will have a significant, positive impact on those around them and lead fulfilling lives.”

“Villanova plays an integral part,” Holly says. “It’s more than an institution of higher learning to us. Villanova is helping us accomplish our mission as parents.”

“YOU’RE REALLY CONTRIBUTING”

Pat and Holly are co-chairs of the Regional Far West Committee, and Pat is a member of the Campaign Executive Committee. That level of commitment might be sufficient for many involved parents, but the O’Deas wanted to do more.

This past year, they established the Holly and Patrick O'Dea Endowed Scholarship Fund to make it possible for other students to benefit from the Villanova experience.

“We believe in strengthening Villanova’s ability to help us, and others less fortunate, raise kids with the right values and educate them to make a difference,” Pat says. “There’s a positive, exponential network effect every time a well-educated, values-driven student graduates from Villanova and goes out to touch the world. It’s much bigger and more profound than we tend to realize in our day-to-day lives.”

Pat is excited about this defining moment in Villanova’s history. He encourages everyone affected by the University to get involved.

“What we all do now will define Villanova and its impact for decades to come,” he says. “I’ve witnessed the power of what can be accomplished when we all come together to contribute in our own way to a common cause. It’s incredibly fulfilling to be a part of it.”

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—HOLLY O’DEA

BY BETTY RUSSELL
Driven to Discover

Nicholas Ader ’15 CLAS has learned to ask the big questions

Whether studying scientific formulas, tutoring students or performing service, like so many Villanova students, Nicholas Ader ’15 CLAS brings incredible passion. His biochemistry work has led him to examine the nature of and uses for molecules in the laboratory. Equally, his education and research opportunities as a Presidential Scholar at Villanova have driven him to look deeply within himself and discover his own path to igniting change.

After two years of studying biology, Nick began considering options for a summer internship abroad to gain valuable experience. He turned to the University’s Center for Undergraduate Research and Fellowships and learned that through the prestigious German Academic Exchange Service Research Internships in Science and Engineering—shortened to DAAD-RISE—he could receive financial support to make his internship a reality.

The Center for Undergraduate Research and Fellowships is a powerful resource for Villanovans. The center administers the Presidential Scholarship Program and helps Villanovans like Nick pursue scholarships, fellowships, research grants and internships.

Ultimately, DAAD matched Nick with the University of Lubeck in Germany, where he studied gene regulation through RNA interference, which may have applications in treating the most common cause for blindness. He presented a poster on the topic at Villanova in the fall.

“To have the chance to perform full-time research taught me that laboratory research is what I want to do in my career,” says Nick, whose hometown is Clarence Center, N.Y., a town near Buffalo. “Even though the study was not directly tied to my current work, the techniques were largely the same.”

The DAAD-RISE internship is only the latest in Nick’s strong body of academic achievements. A member of two honors fraternities, he maintains a 3.99 GPA and is a recipient of the 2014 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. In his spare time, he gives back to the community as a tutor and volunteer at Back on My Feet, a nonprofit that aids those experiencing homelessness.

Aimee Eggler, PhD, assistant professor of Chemistry, says Nick’s accomplishments are no surprise to anyone who has met him. His passion, drive and intellectual curiosity keep him constantly engaged in learning, in the classroom, in the laboratory and beyond.

“He’s always asking questions and trying to figure out the logic behind what we’re studying,” Dr. Eggler says, adding it is reinforced by the University’s distinctive approach to the educational experience.

“Villanova supports a balance of great research and great teaching. The faculty offer students an authentic research experience and a part in a fully functioning lab where they can investigate the important questions relevant to the field in which they will work,” she says.

This past fall Dr. Eggler and Nick researched a molecular mechanism using a waste product from biofuel production. Medically speaking, the research could result in a therapy for oxidative stress, cancer and chronic disease. The collaboration with the US Department of Agriculture also could result in a strong economic incentive to drive biofuel production across the country.

Wherever his research should take Nick, Dr. Eggler sees sky-high potential. “He has all of the skills that he will need to be one of the top researchers in academia: incredible work ethic, time management skills and love of learning.”

Nick sees those qualities as a product of the education at Villanova, where faculty members are accessible and empower students to three ends: discovery, reflection and achievement.

“Dr. Eggler and the faculty here offer the kind of guidance that students might not receive at another institution. It’s in everything from how they mentor students to their involvement in the lab,” he explains. “Villanova and its strong campus community have shaped where I want to go in my career, as well as the kind of person I want to be.”
Edward “E.J.” Mentry ’11 CLAS could describe his freshman year with two words: yeah … but. Mentry had enjoyed his introduction to Villanova. Classes, campus, student life—it was all good. And yet, for personal reasons, his transition to college had proven bumpy, and Mentry, once “an open book,” now bottled everything up. Well, he’d give it one more year.

It was the best decision he ever made. Within months, an unexpected event redirected Mentry’s life and transformed his college experience. That event was Search 36, one of the sequentially numbered retreat experiences that Campus Ministry offered in spring 2009. But for Mentry, it is code for “pivotal moment.”

“Search 36 was a huge turning point,” he says. “I felt comfortable talking about personal things that don’t come up in everyday conversation. It changed my outlook, improved my relationships and made me open to spirituality.”

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER
Creating opportunities for this openness, for encounters with God through relationships with self and others, is a primary goal of Campus Ministry’s Center for Spirituality and Discernment. Far from being an add-on to the Villanova experience, the invitation to the spiritual life and the fullness of human flourishing is intrinsic to the University’s identity.

“Villanova is a place that privileges the opportunity for people to develop their inner spirit, and to reflect and pray about their roles in the campus community and the world,” says Barbara Wall, PhD, vice president, Mission and Ministry, the office that includes Campus Ministry.

A catalog of the Center for Spirituality and Discernment’s output makes the case: retreats, Bible studies, prayer practices, spiritual direction and discernment, seasonal reflections, discussion groups, interfaith luncheons and more. The center’s services and online resources appeal to a gamut of interests and welcome students, faculty, staff and alumni from any—or no—faith tradition.

To respond to Villanovans’ needs, the center’s staff members consult and collaborate with students, especially those leaders who help plan and run events. They also draw on their own expertise in what promotes spiritual development and what blocks it. “A subtly damaging reality is that our world encourages everyone
to go, go, go,” says Linda Jaczynski, the center’s director. “People are so busy they don’t take the time to pause and reflect.”

**TIME-OUT FOR SPIRITUALITY**

Committed to reversing this trend, the center, working with the other centers in Campus Ministry and offices across campus, has redoubled its efforts to give Villanovans the time, space and means not to do more but to be more. It provides everyone with opportunities to learn about spiritual practices—for example, through guest speakers and workshops—and to use them. Individuals and groups attend to their interior life through such methods as centering prayer, daily Mass, classroom contemplation and mindfulness.

In addition, dozens of one-day and weekend retreats allow students and others to escape, search, connect and discern (as the names of the various retreats suggest). Whether they are focused on finding God in nature or nourishing the spiritual life after graduation, retreatants delve inward in the company of a caring, supportive community and discover more fully their own identities.

Mountains, beaches and other retreat locales are conducive to spiritual growth, but so is the local restaurant where the 21-and-older crowd gathers for Theology on Tap. This convivial evening features food, drink, a talk on a spiritual topic relevant to young adults, and lively discussion. The laid-back setting highlights the role spirituality plays in everyday encounters.

“The natural tendency to feel comfortable chatting at a bar allows me to see theology as a larger part of daily life rather than a Sunday activity,” says Caroline Turpin ’14 VSB. That experience doesn’t end with last call. “My favorite part of Theology on Tap is that it sparks conversations that continue after the night ends,” says Katie Wiseman ’14 CLAS.

**REACHING OUT, INVITING IN**

Though many students avail themselves of the spiritual offerings sponsored by all the centers, Campus Ministry never stops asking: How can we be more involved? Answering that question is part of the job of Brian McCabe ’11 MS, the new Campus Minister for Outreach and Student Formation in the Center for Pastoral Ministry Education and Internship. McCabe works with all the centers, as well as Student Life, Residence Life and Athletics, to invite students who don’t normally participate; to identify their needs; and to create opportunities for dialogue and reflection in places where students naturally gather.

The **fact** of his job excites McCabe as much as the nature of it. “I find it inspiring that Villanova created a position around the idea of being as inclusive as possible in its outreach and service. I look forward to being part of conversations on spirituality and meaning with students who haven’t found a place to do that.”

Such conversations are Augustinian. The legacy of the saint resounds in all the center’s efforts to nurture the interior life and journey with restless hearts as they search for God in the company of friends. For John Edwards ’02 CLAS, ’06 MA, St. Rita of Cascia Fellow and retreat coordinator, the role of community is central. “Spiritual formation tunes our senses to see God present in others. Being able to acknowledge and embrace our vulnerability and interdependence is the essence of ‘church.’ But you can’t only learn about church in the classroom; you also have to experience it as something real and transformative.”

Every day, in ordinary and dramatic ways, Villanovans do.
Villanova Basketball
2013–14 squad connects with community and continues a proud tradition

By Shawn Proctor
WE STAND
“We want our guys to be the best students they can be, the best players they can be and the best men they can be. If they can learn that, then they are going to be successful in life, no matter what they do.”
—Jay Wright, head coach, Villanova Men’s Basketball

There are two distinct families when it comes to Villanova Men’s Basketball. The first is the greater, overarching family that connects every Wildcat team to the campus community and the alumni around the world. Then there’s a subset family made up of the current roster of players.

The former has captured the imagination of sports fans for generations. The 2013-14 team is opening eyes as well. It’s a special squad, not only because they have defeated ranked opponents like the University of Kansas while capturing the Big Five title and the Battle for Atlantis Championship. They play as one team, everyone embracing his role as part of a family.

“Every player in this program just has a great attitude. Everyone sees our team’s character and chemistry. We’re tight as brothers and as a family, and it shows,” says Team Co-Captain James “Tahj” Bell ’14. The only team member who has been in the program for four years, James, a 6-foot-6-inch guard, takes the responsibility of watching over the younger players. “We’d do anything for each other,” he says.

Although the other players have had shorter tenures at Villanova, Head Coach Jay Wright says each player immediately bonded to the University community, the student body and the team. They understand at Villanova that they are more than simply basketball players.

“All of these players are deeply connected to this program. People elsewhere say they admire how the Villanova guys come together, how the alumni stay connected and how Villanovans take care of each other,” Wright says.

TOTAL TEAM EFFORT
Selflessness has become a defining trait of this squad, which relies on as many as 10 players each game to contribute to their success. They trust one another to share the burden on both ends of the court. They pass on offense and hustle on defense. And when the team develops a large lead, as often has been the case this season, the entire arena comes to life as the reserve players enter the game. The starters cheer as loud as they can. The student section roars and chants their names. And, in turn, they play their hearts out.

“It shows these guys are humble off the court. Everyone’s role on the team is different, but everyone’s status is the same—they are all treated with the same respect,” says Wright, who is in his 13th year as head coach of Men’s Basketball.

“We talk about playing 40 minutes of ‘Villanova basketball,’ whether the team is down by 20 points or up by 20. It is each player’s job to play hard every second, regardless of the score. And whatever happens at the end, we’ll accept. That’s Villanova basketball.”

He points to Senior Night as one of his favorite examples. The team was able to provide playing time for many of its deep reserves, along with seniors
who had contributed four years to the program helping make every other player the best he could be. The starters, including guard Ryan Arcidiacono ’16, co-captain, hung on every moment like it was a Final Four game.

“That’s our team. Those guys come in every day and work hard. They’ve sacrificed. They’re all important to Villanova basketball. And we know they don’t get many opportunities, so when they do, we’re excited for them. If they dive on a loose ball or sink a three-point shot, we’re freaking out cheering,” he says. “I come from a big family. This team is an extension of that family.”

They run sports clinics for children as a team; they do community service as a team. They also spend Christmas together, including throwing a party with the team and coaching staff. These experiences create bonds that aren’t tied to wins or individual statistics.

Wright says this message of team compassion and unity is reinforced through the program’s connection to the University. Villanova’s students, staff and faculty live the Augustinian ideals and show players how being a part of something bigger sets a strong foundation for life, regardless of career. It’s a unique advantage, which helps counter the “me first” attitude in many athletic programs.

**SERVICE AS LIFELONG SUCCESS**

“Our team chaplain, Rob Hagan, OSA, JD, ’87 CLAS tells the team how Jesus taught us our greatest accomplishments are things we can do for others,” Wright says. “When our players are in the Villanova community, they hear the same things. We want our guys to be the best students they can be, the best players they can be and the best men they can be. If they can learn that, then they are going to be successful in life, no matter what they do.”

Wright points out that in the men’s practice court, there are no championship banners or reminders of the many great teams of the past. On the walls of the practice court, just above the basketball nets, one word sets expectations: attitude. Whether winning or losing, on the road or at home, or facing a bad call from an official, it’s a reminder that the only thing one ever controls is one’s attitude—so keep a positive, strong attitude and make the next play count. It’s the confidence to take the game-winning shot, knowing the team will support each other whatever the outcome.

Additionally, along the length of the practice court are the words “Play Hard. Play Smart. Play Together.” Those are traits that carry through the entire student body and beyond it to the University alumni who live those ideals in their respective careers. They are proud of their alma mater and of the men and women who don the Villanova jersey as student-athletes.

The feeling of Villanova pride is more than mutual, says Ryan. “We define ourselves by Villanova’s core values. We always think about representing Villanova for the alumni.”

Tahj agrees the passionate alumni establish positive examples for the team to follow. “The alumni are proud to be Villanovans, and we aspire to be that type of person and care about Villanova as strongly as they do. Whether it is a graduate student in Engineering or whether it’s a basketball alumnus, they are all important to us. Coach Wright says we play for those who came before us. We believe that as a team.”

“In college athletics, this community is unique. It is special. That is what makes Villanova basketball,” Wright says.

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**SHATTERING EXPECTATIONS**

After four key players graduated from this past year’s Women’s Basketball team, which went 21-11 overall and earned a bid to the NCAA Tournament, there were a lot of question marks surrounding the 2013-14 Villanova squad.

Behind the leadership of senior guard Devon Kane, the Wildcats exceeded expectations and finished the regular season with a 22-7 record and a 12-6 BIG EAST Conference mark. The 12-6 record was good enough for a third-place tie in the league standings.

Kane was sensational all season long for head coach Harry Perretta ’95 MA and the Wildcats. She scored in double figures in 21 of the 29 regular season games and led the team in scoring (18.3 ppg), assists (128 assists for 4.4 apg), steals (36) and minutes played (32.3 mpg). For her efforts, she was named a first team All-BIG EAST performer.

Sophomore guard Caroline Coyer also garnered All-Conference accolades. She was named the league’s Sixth Man of the Year after averaging 10.3 points per game, 4.2 rebounds per contest and 3.6 assists per game. Coyer also ranked third in the country in assist-to-turnover ratio at 3.8 to 1.

Villanova made its third straight postseason appearance. They advanced to the second round of the WNIT before losing to the George Washington Colonials. This past year, the Wildcats participated in the 2013 NCAA Tournament, and two years ago, in the 2012 WNIT.
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As guests arrive at each regional launch event for the University’s comprehensive campaign, the challenge to complete the following statement puts them in a Villanova state of mind: “I Ignite Change By ...”

The responses that invitees write on the board reflect the values that Villanova has written on their hearts. At every event, in cities from New York to Chicago to Los Angeles, words prominent in Villanova’s vocabulary—words like leading, mentoring, innovating, inspiring, fostering, serving and making a difference—quickly crowd the once blank surface.

Perhaps the connection between what Villanova has done for them and what they, in turn, do for the world is not one that alumni, parents and other friends of this beloved institution always think about consciously. They know the connection exists. They know it shapes their lives. They know it classifies them as a special group. But having the opportunity to express with words what they already express with actions helps Villanovans to appreciate anew the beauty, strength and power of that connection.

That’s what the regional launch events are all about: making explicit what Villanovans know in their bones to be true. Everyone shares in the University’s mission. Everyone enriches its legacy. Everyone is invited to realize its vision. Achieving the goals outlined in For the Greater Great: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change is not the dream of a few administrators, the responsibility of a handful of donors, or the task of reunion alumni whose class year ends with a “9” or a “4.” It is the privilege of all.

Those who attend a regional event hear the stirring words of the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, ’75 CLAS, University president; Michael J. O’Neill, vice president for University Advancement; deans and faculty; and campaign leaders. But the message is meant for Villanovans the world over. And if they need inspiration, they can start by filling in the blank.

Putting It Into Words

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL
All in a Day’s Work
Timothy Reger ’87 CLAS makes his volunteer work look easy

BY BRENDA LANGE

Timothy Reger ’87 CLAS is not one to take much credit, even where credit is due. Instead, he insists his incredible efforts on behalf of the Chicago Alumni Chapter are just something he does.

President of the Chicago Chapter, alumni interviewer, volunteer at college fairs and regional coordinator for the Detroit and Denver chapters, Reger is the epitome of the active alumni volunteer. Yet for him, it’s all in a day’s work and simply his way of giving back to his beloved alma mater.

Case in point: The time was 1995, and he returned with his wife, Ann Beirne Reger ’89 CLAS, to his hometown of Chicago.

“When Ann and I settled in Chicago, there was no [alumni] organization,” he remembers. “She said, ‘We should do something about this,’ and we just looked at each other.”

Reger wasted no time in trying to figure it out; he jumped in and did it. “We just started. It was trial and error.”

Fortuitously, Terry O’Brien ’64 VSB, former Chicago Chapter organizer, had decided to try to get the group going again shortly before the couple arrived in the city, and when Reger received a postcard in the mail, he contacted O’Brien and volunteered.

Reger—the director of business development for KPMG, a top accounting and consulting firm in the Midwest, and an active recruiter for Villanova—makes it all sound so easy. But going from almost zero to more than 1,000 Villanova alumni participants is anything but.

Starting with basketball game watches, networking receptions and a quarterly newsletter, Reger grew the group. Today, raising money for various charities is a big part of its mission, and Reger is happy to have a committee of 20 volunteers to help him plan and execute monthly alumni events. The city was chosen to be the site of Villanova’s fifth regional office, which opened in November.

Lynley Stephany, director of major giving, Midwest region, works with Reger and his team to engage other alumni.

“Our mutual goal is to strengthen the network of Villanova alumni in the Chicago region, which is done through events relevant to people and where they are in their lives,” she explains. “Our alumni are already active and they love the University, which makes the job easier. Tim has worked so hard to build and sustain this chapter, and I’m looking forward to working closely with him and his team.”

VILLANOVA CHANGED THEIR LIVES
Reger found Villanova almost by accident; coming east from Illinois, looking for a “smallish school that was a cultural fit. I knew I would know it when I saw it,” he says. “When I got to Villanova, it was love at first sight.”

He credits the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences with teaching him how to relate to others, which has been instrumental in his business success. It also was the place he met Ann, an Irish soccer player who went on to be inducted into Villanova’s Varsity Club Hall of Fame in 2012 for her four years as a defender on the team. She also is a staunch supporter.

“I worked in the alumni office for four years, so I knew how important those connections are,” she says. “Villanova changed my life, and I wanted us to give back in whatever ways we could. Tim has done a brilliant job.”

“When I got to Villanova, it was love at first sight.”
—Tim Reger

His alumni association-related activities are quite time consuming. So why do it?

“I had a great four years at Villanova. I met my wife there and made great friends,” he says. “It’s wonderful to have a piece of all that here in the Midwest. When Ann came up with the idea, I just went with it and re-created a little Villanova here. When you’re this far away, you miss it. I’m just happy it worked.”
Splendors, sights and luxury are assured when you book travel through Villanova. The 2015 travel program features trips to fit every interest, from African safaris in Tanzania to posh excursions in the Oxford English countryside to voyages to Alaska and South America. And the best part: Your first-class trip will be shared with Villanova alumni, parents and friends.

For more information please contact Pat Gillin in the Alumni Office at patricia.gillin@villanova.edu or call 800-845-5266. Adventure awaits!

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  Winter 2015
- **OCEANIA CRUISES—GAUCHOS, TANGOS & TAPAS**
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- **HOLLAND AND BELGIUM**
  Spring 2015
- **OXFORD ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE**
  Spring 2015

**Connect with NovaNetwork**

The NovaNetwork is your guide to career and professional development resources for Villanova alumni, students and parents. Connect with more than 114,000 alumni living around the world at events and online. Tap into the power of the NovaNetwork, your access to our alumni directory, career advisers, class notes, job listings, career-related resources and more.

Now you can join the Official Villanova University Network on LinkedIn, a great career networking tool. Group members have access to exclusive articles, events, job postings and discussions. Membership is open to Villanova alumni, students and parents. Visit this link for more information: [http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gId=1833&trk=hb_side_g](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gId=1833&trk=hb_side_g).

Also via LinkedIn, you can find a subgroup for Alumni and Student Mentoring, where current students and alumni can connect with other alumni to discuss career-specific topics and issues. By joining this subgroup, you are stating your interest in either serving as a mentor or connecting with a mentor who may be able to provide you with career-related information. In the group, you connect directly with each other, offer advice and discuss relevant topics.

“Within one week, I have been contacted by over 10 alumni with offers of advice, job leads, and connections to their companies and contacts. I now have people helping me, commenting on my discussion on LinkedIn and connecting with me daily,” says Kara S., ’13.

For these and other alumni resources, visit alumni.villanova.edu.

**Ignite Change for Villanova**

Scholarship opportunities are concrete ways in which Villanovans can support and inspire the next generation of students. They bring together alumni with current students, uniting the University community for a worthwhile cause.

“I feel honored and grateful to have been selected for a chapter scholarship. I am thankful for alumni’s generosity and hope to become involved with an alumni chapter after graduation,” says Melanie Ricci ’14 CLAS.

**Scholarship Events**

- **19th Annual Charlotte Chapter Scholarship Golf Outing:** April 28
- **Southern New Jersey Craft Beer Pairing and Scholarship Fundraiser:** May 7
- **15th Annual Villanova Alumni Lehigh Valley Scholarship Golf Outing:** May 19
- **Boston Chapter Scholarship Golf Outing:** May 19
- **13th Annual Jim Judge Memorial Scholarship Golf Outing and Dinner, Michigan/Northern Ohio Chapter:** June 16
- **Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey Chapters Scholarship Golf Outing:** Aug. 25
- **Annual Monmouth/Ocean Counties Chapter Scholarship Golf Outing:** Aug. 25
- **Atlanta Chapter Scholarship Golf Outing:** Sept. 29
- **Long Island Scholarship Golf Outing:** Sept. 29
- **Greater Philadelphia Wine Tasting and Auction**
How did Villanova prepare you for success?
Villanova allowed me to do things that gave me the tools to be where I am now. It was a time of change in my life. I was growing, not just academically, but also emotionally. I was finding out who I was. I wanted to do something in the arts, but was not specific about what that was, which is partly why I chose Villanova. I knew the Communication program would give me a good base I could take wherever I wanted my career to go.

Were activities important to that growth?
By participating in activities like Theatre and Greek Life, I met a variety of people and learned leadership skills. Now I work in an industry with actors, and experience with Theatre at Villanova gave me an understanding of where they are coming from as well. Working in student musical theatre, we ran the group, while under the guidance of an adviser. We learned about working as a team with other people and about managing—both are great preparation for the working world.

What drew you to working in the TV industry?
While at Villanova, I interned at WBEZ in Boston, which is the station I grew up watching, and after graduation I was attending Emerson College for a master's degree and working as a production assistant there. This station still had the same anchors and team. It was extremely exciting because I was learning how the television business worked. Eventually I became a coordinator of publicity at the station.

One day the VP of Communications at CBS in New York asked whether I would become his executive assistant. The thought was that I would work at the network and could pursue opportunities going forward. Within nine months I was working as a junior publicist, and the network put me to work publicizing a television show called Survivor.

What makes Villanova alumni ignite change?
Students are taught a core basis. It is not only how to approach things in a work situation, but how to be a good person. That is 50 percent of the battle, regardless of the industry.

How does your education influence your approach to promotion?
In my job, I am always trying to get people to think from different angles. I am not afraid to raise an issue to help solve a problem. The advent of social media has changed the landscape. It's fun and exciting, but everything has become quicker. That's not always a good thing. Because so much is going on, sometimes we don’t stop to think about why things are happening and how we can fix them. Often I am that person who will think a step beyond and ask questions. I attribute that to my parents and to Villanova because they both helped me to find a voice and to not be afraid to use it.

SNAPSHOT
Since graduating in 1996 with a degree in Communication Arts, the Lynnfield, Mass., native has risen to be director of Publicity for CBS Television Studios, where she has handled publicity for prime-time programming while enjoying life with her husband, Kelly, and two stepsons in Los Angeles.

NOTABLE SHOWS
Amazing Race; CSI; CSI: Miami; CSI: NY; Dogs in the City; Hawaii Five-O; The Good Wife; Survivor

To read more of Kim's interview, visit ignitechangeonova.com.
1950s

CLASS OF 1954
60th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

CLASS of 1959
55th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

Robert Natiello ‘52 CLAS received the Arizona Authors’ nomination for a national Pushcart Prize for his nonfiction story Stumbling Across Lou Rochelli. This is the fifth Pushcart Prize nomination for Natiello.

The Rev. Thomas Dwyer, OSA, ’55 CLAS has written the book Learn About Japan, telling of his personal remembrances and the history of the development of the Augustinian missions in Japan. Father Dwyer served for more than 50 years as a missionary in Japan and currently is retired at the Villanova University Monastery.

Leo Rogers ’58 CLAS published the book Lives and Times of Medieval Knights: Chronicles of a Motley Collection. The book provides a window into the turbulent times of medieval knights, their societies, customs, armor, weaponry and much more.

1960s

CLASS OF 1964
50th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

CLASS OF 1969
45th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

James Murray ’60 CLAS was named the 2014 Grand Marshal of the Philadelphia St. Patrick’s Day Parade, held Sunday, March 16. Murray is the founder of the Ronald McDonald House, the founder of Eagles Fly for Leukemia and the former general manager of the Philadelphia Eagles.

James Strazzella, Esq., ’61 CLAS was presented with the Newman Award for his demonstrated commitment to improving the lives of children.

Richard L. Busenkell ’62 COE is the author of the Civil War historical novel A Silence at Arlington. Published by Tate Publishing of Oklahoma City, the novel covers the first two weeks of the war and is planned as the first in a series of historical novels.

John Caputo, PhD, ’64 MA published the book The Insistence of God: A Theology of Perhaps. One of his previous books, The Weakness of God, won the American Academy of Religion’s Award of Excellence in the Study of Religion in the Constructive–Reflective Studies category. Dr. Caputo is the David R. Cook professor emeritus of Philosophy at Villanova University.

Malcolm J. Gross ’65 VLS has authored a new book titled Two Mayors and A Lawyer. Gross’ book depicts the history of two powerful mayors who thrived in Allentown, Pa., during the period of the 1920s to the 1960s. He currently is a partner with Gross McGinley LLP.

J. Edmund Mullin ’66 VLS, co-chair of the Real Estate and Land Use Department at Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin, PC, recently was appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County, Pa., to be a master for the Tax Assessment Appeal Mediation Program.

Peter Boggia, Esq., ’67 VLS was named a charter member of the New Jersey Chapter of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals. Boggia is a retired New Jersey Superior Court judge and currently is Of Counsel for the Kridel Law Group in Clifton, N.J.

Richard J. Schall ’67 CLAS and his wife, Judy Schall, received the St. Joseph the Worker Award from Monsignor Donovan High School in Toms River, N.J. The school recognized their ongoing volunteer work in the parish community of St. Joseph’s, particularly with the St. Joseph’s parish food pantry.

Don Sesso, MD, ’67 CLAS has retired from critical care medicine and joined the staff of Internal Medicine at the detox unit of Eagleville Hospital. Dr. Sesso is a professor on the faculty of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Honorable Arthur Tilson ’68 VLS was on the judicial panel for the National Business Institute seminar “As Judges See It: Top Mistakes Attorneys Make in Civil Litigation.”

Thomas Gallen ’69 COE published the historical fiction novel Donegal Generations.

1970s

CLASS OF 1974
40th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

CLASS OF 1979
35th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

Carol Anastasio Quinn ’70 CON has been named the 2013 Health Care CEO of the Year by the Philadelphia Business Journal. Quinn is the first female recipient recognized for this distinction for her leadership in health care and life science, and helping shape the practice of health care in her region. Quinn has been CEO of Mercy Home Health and Mercy LIFE in Springfield, Pa., for more than 17 years.

Edward Donahue, MD, ’70 CLAS has been appointed chief medical officer and vice president at St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center in Phoenix.

Dorothy Karb Fontaine, PhD, ’72 CON was honored by the Blue Ridge Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society with the Silver Hope Award. Dr. Fontaine received Villanova University’s College of Nursing Medallion for contributions to the profession in 1999. Dr. Fontaine is dean of the University of Virginia School of Nursing and Sadie Heath Cabaniss Professor of Nursing.

Christopher Mattson ’72 VLS, a member of the Law Office of Barley Snyder, and its Health Law and Litigation groups, recently has been honored by the Lancaster General Health Foundation for Excellence in Community Service and Volunteerism.

Anthony Amosato ’73 VSB was approved for membership in the American Board of Trial Advocates.

Mary Mitchell Hayburn ’73 CLAS received a Delaware County Excellence in Teaching Award. She is the Mathematics Department chair at Country Day School of the Sacred Heart in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

James Hedtke, PhD, ’74 MA was a 2013 recipient of the Bazzalino Faculty Scholarship, an award given at Cabrini College. Dr. Hedtke received the award for “fostering a climate of lifelong learning and enriching the intellectual life of the campus,” and was honored at Cabrini’s Faculty Research and Scholarship Reception. Dr. Hedtke is a professor of History and Political Science at Cabrini College in Radnor, Pa.

Vasilios J. “Bill” Kalogredis, Esq., ’74 VLS spoke at the Pennsylvania Academy of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery in Hershey, Pa., on the topic of “Hot Legal Issues in Dermatology Today.” Kalogredis is a shareholder at Kalogredis,
Sansweet, Dearden and Burke Ltd. in Wayne, Pa.

Joseph E. Laska Jr. ‘74 COE retired from the US Navy after 39 years and three months of civilian service with the Department of Defense.

Michael Yanoff, Esq., ’74 VLS was a keynote speaker at the National Business Institute seminar “Guide to Zoning and Land Use Law.” Yanoff is a shareholder at Friedman, Schuman, Applebaum, Nemeroff & McCaffery PC.

Jeffrey Fick ’75 VSB is the vice president of Fick Bros. Roofing & Exterior Remodeling Co. in Baltimore, Md. Fick was named by Roofing Contractor magazine as its 2013 Residential Roofing Contractor of the Year.

Barbara Gargiulo ’75 MA was recognized at her company awards breakfast for being among the top 25 producers throughout the company of Prominent Properties Sotheby's International Realty, covering the northern New Jersey area.

Albert Piccerilli ’75 CLAS has been elected to the board of directors of the SeniorLAW Center, a Pennsylvania nonprofit organization, which improves the lives of older citizens and protects their rights through legal representation, education and advocacy.

Eamonn Coghlan ’76 VSB recently was honored at a special event co-hosted by the Irish Studies Department and the Irish Consulate in New York City. Coghlan is known as the “Chairman of the Boards” and “Master of the Mile,” and is considered one of Ireland’s most accomplished sportsmen. Coghlan is an Irish senator.

Leonard Goldberger, Esq., ’76 VLS served as a panelist at the 2013 University of Pennsylvania China Forum, “The Next Ten Years,” held at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Goldberger is a shareholder at Stevens & Lee in Valley Forge, Pa.

Lynee Gold-Bikin ’76 VLS received the Eric Turner Memorial Award during the Pennsylvania Bar Association’s Family Law Section winter meeting at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel. This award honors a lawyer who is dedicated to the practice of family law, and who serves as a mentor and teacher to fellow lawyers. Gold-Bikin is partner in the Norristown office of Weber Gallagher, and chair of the firm’s Family Law practice group.

Robert Shearer, Esq., ’76 CLAS has been recognized as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2014 in the field of Banking and Finance Law by Woodward/White Inc.

Marc Weingarten, Esq., ’76 VLS presented the paper “Arbitrating a Foreign Claim With an Asbestos Bankruptcy Trust - A Procedural Morass” to the International Practice Section of the American Association for Justice at its annual convention in San Francisco. Weingarten also gave a presentation titled “Prehearing Conferences and Hearings” at the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania’s training session for new hearing committee members in Hershey, Pa. Weingarten is partner at Locks Law Firm in Philadelphia.

Michael Zamorski ’76 VSB has been appointed director of the SEACEN Financial Stability Journal. The SEACEN Centre conducts research and training in support of its members, 19 Asia–Pacific central banks and monetary authorities. Zamorski is an adviser to Bank Negara Malaysia, the central bank of Malaysia.

Brian K. Kelly ’78 CLAS, ’84 MS has been appointed director of Neurology for Aria Neurosciences, Aria Health System, in Philadelphia.

Dennis C. McAndrews, Esq., ’78 VLS wrote and performed the one-man play If JFK Survived Dallas: Presidential Reflections at Age 96, at Conestoga High School in Berwyn, Pa., as a public service event of the Foundation for Learning in Tredyffrin–Easttown, Pa.

Kathleen Scott ’79 CLAS has joined Norton Rose Fullbright’s New York office.

Drew Stoken, MD, ’79 CLAS was elected president of the Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology. Dr. Stoken is in private practice in Carlisle, Pa., and is a clinical assistant professor of Ophthalmology at Penn State.

1980s

CLASS OF 1984
30th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

CLASS OF 1989
25th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

Jan Beck, Esq., ’80 VLS, ’85 MTax was elected to the board of directors of the United Way of Indian River County, Fla. Beck is the executive vice president at Communications International Inc. in Vero Beach, Fla.

Joseph McGrory, Esq., ’80 VSB participated as a panel member in the “Philadelphia
TRUSTEE NAMED AMERIHEALTH CARITAS CEO

Independence Blue Cross (IBC) announced that Paul A. Tufano, JD, ’83 VSB, ’86 VLS, vice chair of Villanova’s Board of Trustees, has been named the new CEO of its AmeriHealth Caritas subsidiary, one of the largest managers of Medicaid benefits in the nation.

Tufano is currently a member of the Villanova University School of Law’s Board of Consultants; a member of the Campaign Executive Committee for For the Greater Great; the Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change; and a past president of the Villanova University Alumni Association.

Mental Health Court Civil Commitment CLE Update 2013.” McGrory is chair of the Municipal Law Department at Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell and Lupin. He also was recently appointed to the Council of the Municipal Law Section of the Pennsylvania Bar Association.

Brian Muscarella ’80 VSB finished second overall in the H1 class for the 2013 US Handcycling Federation season standings. Muscarella is president of the Villanova University Alumni Chapter in Charlotte.

Stephen O. Scogna ’80 VSB has been appointed CEO of Northwest Community Healthcare. Scogna has more than 25 years of health care and leadership experience in hospitals and health systems.

Rear Adm. Patricia Baker Wolfe, USN (Ret.), ’81 CLAS retired from the Navy after 32 years of service.

James Pearn ’81 VLS recently accepted a position at Southern State Community College located in Hillsboro, Ohio, as instructor-tutor.

Francis Stanton Jr., PE, ’81 COE was named the Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers’ Engineer of the Year. Stanton is principal engineer and vice president of The ENC Group LLC in Richboro, Pa.


Michael Davis ’82 CLAS has been awarded NASA’s Exceptional Achievement Medal for his work on the James Webb Space Telescope project.

Jeffrey A. Lutsky ’82 VLS, a managing partner for Stradley Ronon in Philadelphia, was elected to serve on the board of directors for the Arts & Business Council of Greater Philadelphia.


William Quinlan, Esq., ’82 COE was promoted to president and chief operating officer at the Northeast Utilities office, Public Service of New Hampshire.

Joseph Fanelle, MD, ’83 CLAS was awarded Physician of the Year at Inspira Health Network. Dr. Fanelle was chosen from a medical staff of more than 500 practitioners at his hospital system for his dedication, compassion and level of care that he gives his patients. Dr. Fanelle is a radiation oncologist at South Jersey Radiation Oncology in Vineland, N.J.

Madeline McCarthy Bell ’83 CON has been honored as a 2013 Women of Distinction award recipient. Bell is president and chief operating officer of The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia.

Marie Bouton McGuirk ’84 CLAS was the winner of the Charleston Iron Chef Throwdown, “Battle of the Corned Beef.” McGuirk is the executive chef and owner of Cardinal Events LLC and serves The Charleston Catholic School, the Catholic Diocese of Charleston, The Citadel and numerous members of the medical profession in Charleston, S.C.

Seamus Duffy ’84 CLAS, ’87 VLS has been elected as a member of the American Law Institute, the leading independent organization working to promote the clarification, modernization and simplification of US common law.

Michael Koribanics, Esq., ’84 CLAS has been admitted for membership in National Trial Lawyers: Top 100 Trial Lawyers. Koribanics is an attorney at Koribanics & Koribanics in Clifton, N.J.

Thomas B. Lewis ’84 CLAS has joined Stevens & Lee in the firm’s Labor and Employment practice.

Kurt E. Kramer ’86 VLS was elected partner at Capehart Scatchard, located in Mount Laurel, N.J. Kramer focuses his practice on the representation of clients in business disputes arising from breaches of contract, complex financial transactions, investment fraud, real estate acquisition and development, and ownership disputes.


Stephen DiBonaventura, Esq., ’87 VLS released the jazz album Not Your Average Banjo in 2013. The album was on the ballot for nomination for the 56th annual Grammy awards in the Best Jazz Instrumental Album category. The songs from the album, “Blue Bossa” and “Joy Spring,” were on the ballot in the Best Improvised Jazz Solo category.

Thomas More Marrone ’87 VLS recently joined the law firm of Greenblatt, Pierce, Engle, Funt & Flores LLC as partner. Marrone has more than 25 years of experience as a civil litigator.


Gregory Noone, Esq., PhD, ’87 CLAS co-authored the published textbook International Law and Armed Conflict: Fundamental Principles and Contemporary Challenges in the Law of War. Dr. Noone also was selected as the West Virginia Faculty Merit Foundation’s 2012 West Virginia Professor of the Year.
Joseph Connor ’88 VSB and Michael Duncan ’88 VSB published the novel The New Founders. The book uses the American constitutional principles to deal with 21st-century issues in an exciting, emotional, patriotic and humorous tale. Connor and Duncan were recently guests on the Tea Party News Network show Punchline to discuss their book.

Pamela Coyle Brecht, Esq., ’88 CLAS presented at Taxpayers Against Fraud Education Fund’s 13th annual conference in Washington, D.C. Brecht is senior associate at Pietragallo, Gordon Alfano, Bosick & Raspanti LLP in Philadelphia.

Christopher C. Duca ’88 VSB was named 2014 president of the Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS) after holding the positions of 2013 president-elect and PLUS International Conference chair.

Wayne Maiorano ’88 CLAS was elected for a two-year term to the Raleigh, N.C., City Council. Maiorano and his wife, Annemarie Rush ’88 VSB, reside in Raleigh with their two daughters, Nicole and Isabel.

Thomas Perez ’88 VSB married Renee Ann Hooper.

Charles F. Smith Jr. ’88 VLS was co-presenter in a seminar for business owners, For Your Future: Estate Planning in a Changing Fiscal Landscape. The seminar’s topic, “Have You Planned for the Inevitable?” was designed to help business owners identify strategies for meeting financial goals for their businesses, families and retirement. Smith is a member of Norris McLaughlin & Marcus PA.

Eugene Sweeney ’88 CLAS welcomed a girl.

David Fournier, Esq., ’89 VLS has been included in the 2014 Best Lawyers in America list. Fournier is a partner at Pepper Hamilton LLP in Wilmington, Del.

Stephen G. Harvey ’89 VLS entered private practice with the opening of Steve Harvey Law LLC in Philadelphia. Harvey focuses on trial and litigation matters concerning business disputes, banking and financial services, and government claims.

Daniel Mankowski, EdD, ’89 MA received a Doctor of Education degree from St. Joseph’s University’s Interdisciplinary Doctor of Education Program for Educational Leaders in 2013. Dr. Mankowski’s doctoral dissertation was on “Performing Shakespeare: Fun and Games or Purposeful, Empowering Pedagogy.”

Bruce Matez ’89 VLS recently made a guest appearance on the Internet radio talk show, Lunch With the Boss, where he discussed mediation and collaborative divorce in New Jersey. He is a family lawyer at Borger Matez in Cherry Hill, N.J.

Kristin Switala Jacobs, PhD, ’89 CLAS has won the FY13 CFO Team Award and has been nominated for two Worldwide Leadership awards at The Clorox Co. The Finance Learning and Development Program, which Dr. Jacobs founded, has received national accreditation from the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy.

1990s

CLASS OF 1994
20th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

CLASS OF 1999
15th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014

Brian Brady ’90 VSB was elected to a four-year term on the executive board of the Republican Party of San Diego County, Calif. Brady also volunteers as a regional chairman of the fifth largest Republican Party organization in the country.

George Broseman, Esq., ’91 VLS was a keynote speaker at the National Business Institute seminar “Practical Guide to Zoning and Land Use Law.” Broseman is a principal at Kaplin Stewart Meloff Reiter & Stein PC in Blue Bell, Pa.

Edmund Campbell, Esq., ’91 VLS was a keynote speaker at a National Business Institute seminar “Practical Guide to Zoning and Land Use Law.” Campbell is an attorney at Silverang, Donohoe, Rosenweig & Haltzman LLC in St. Davids, Pa.

Eric J. Haner, Esq., ’91 CLAS was appointed to the Jefferson District Court, Division 12, in Louisville, Ky. Judge Haner was in private practice as a litigation attorney for 19 years before being nominated by the Judicial Nominating Commission headed by the chief justice of the Kentucky Supreme Court.

Alison Bellino Johnson ’92 VLS was appointed to the Jefferson District Court in St. Davids, Pa.

John Miller ’93 COE recently was profiled in NJ Spotlight for his innovative work in floodplain management. Miller is the co-founder and legislative committee chair for the New Jersey Association for Floodplain Management.

Maria Aprile Sawczuk ’93 VLS recently joined the Wilmington, Del., office of Goldstein & McClintock LLP as partner. Sawczuk concentrates her practice on matters of corporate restructuring and bankruptcy.

Jennifer Barrett Gauna ’94 VSB welcomed a boy.

Ann Marie Foley Binsner ’94 CLAS received the National Program Director of the Year Award at the National Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Association annual conference in Anaheim, Calif. Binsner is the executive director of the Prince George County, Md., CASA program.

Henry Wallmeyer ’94 VSB was appointed executive director of
Chaffee Braithwaite Heilman ’99 CLAS has opened a new location for her store baby braithwaite, a baby boutique in Buckhead, Ga. She began the business back in 2005 with her mother, Nancy Braithwaite, with the idea of creating a haven for new parents and their communities, while also introducing them to products and goods that foster an atmosphere of growth, development and learning for children in their early years.

The store’s goal is creating a unique place for families to come together to celebrate some of the most joyful moments in their lives with the guidance and support of a team of experts. Every item in the shop has been handpicked by the mother-and-daughter founders to ensure that parents and baby can enjoy themselves during this busy, happy time with as little stress as possible. They pride themselves on providing new parents solutions that capture sweetness, simplicity and sheer loveliness.

Kathleen Dunwoody Curran ’98 VSB and Kevin Curran, MD, ’00 CLAS welcomed a boy.

John Giordano, Esq., ’98 CLAS, ’02 VLS was appointed assistant commissioner for Compliance and Enforcement at the Department of Environmental Protection by New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie July 1, 2013.

Lori Lertora ’98 CLAS married Elmer Blanco.

Judith McIntire Springer, Esq., ’98 VLS spoke at the National Business Institute seminar “Divorce Litigation From Start to Finish.” Springer is partner at Fox Rothschild LLP in Philadelphia.

Robert Odomirok ’98 CLAS welcomed a boy.

Lara Cockes Duffy ’99 CON and Matthew Duffy ’99 VSB welcomed a boy.

Patrick Duffy ’99 CLAS, ’04 VLS was named a 2013 Pennsylvania Lawyer on the Fast Track by The Legal Intelligencer. He also has been elected as a supervisor for Lower Providence Township in Montgomery County, Pa. Duffy is an associate in the firm of Stewart Bernstiel Rebar & Smith.

Lisa Hartman Singleton ’99 VSB welcomed a boy.

Christopher J. Menna ’99 COE was elected to be the 2013–16 director of Region 2 ASCE this past October at the 2013 national conference in Charlotte, N.C. In this position, Menna oversees a board of six governors, representing approximately 11,000 members in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. He also sits on the national board.

Kenneth Racowski, Esq., ’99 CLAS accepted a position as Of Counsel at Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP in Philadelphia.
2000s
CLASS OF 2004
10th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014
CLASS OF 2009
5th Reunion
June 5–8, 2014
Lt. Cmdr. Michael Greentree ’00 CLAS returned home in February after a yearlong deployment to Bahrain. He has been serving as assistant operations officer and force protection officer for the Military Sealift Command-Central (MSC-CENT) located within the Kingdom of Bahrain.
Jill Kelley Mastro ’00 CLAS welcomed a boy.
William Skala ’00 VSB was promoted to senior loan officer in commercial lending at TD Bank in New Brunswick, N.J.
Brian Vesey ’00 MBA was promoted to corporate banking market executive at The PNC Financial Services Group Inc. in Philadelphia.
Kelly Bowe Flammia ’01 CLAS welcomed a boy.
Marianne Connolly Lauber ’01 CLAS welcomed a girl.
Claire Darmanin ’01 CLAS married Adam Moore.
Peter DiCanto ’01 CLAS welcomed a girl.
Maren Ferro Tripolitsiotis, Esq., ’01 CLAS, ’04 VLS and Matthew Tripolitsiotis, Esq., ’00 CLAS welcomed a girl.
Joseph R. Genovesi ’01 VSB is president of RD Legal Funding LLC. Genovesi has helped RD Legal Funding become a recognized name in the growing legal funding industry.
Sarah Holbrook, Esq., ’01 CLAS, ’05 VLS married Christopher Fryxell.
Jennifer J. Riley VLS ’01 has been named one of the Top 40 Under 40 Family Law Attorneys in the state of Pennsylvania for 2014 by the American Society of Legal Advocates.
Adam Erdosy ’02 CLAS welcomed a girl.
Jordana Gabbay ’02 VSB is the owner and creator of the online coffee business, eKoffee.com, a specialty coffee marketplace based out of Colts Neck, N.J.
Maura Grego Villani ’02 CLAS and John Villani ’02 VSB welcomed a girl.
Pamela Mazur Vida ’02 welcomed a girl.
Julia Rafferty, Esq., ’02 VLS has been appointed to the United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey Campaign Cabinet for 2013–14. Rafferty is Of Counsel at Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young LLP in Philadelphia.
Jacqueline Remley Wallace ’02 VSB, ’03 MBA welcomed a girl.
Stephen Tolbert ’02 MA was elected township commissioner of West Norriton Township, Pa. Tolbert began his four-year term in January.
Theresa Vitello-Guarnella, Esq., ’02 VLS was selected to Super Lawyers 2013 New York Metro Rising Stars List. Vitello-Guarnella is an associate at Levy Phillips & Konigsberg LLP.
John Christopher, Esq., ’03 CLAS has been selected to the Super Lawyers 2013 New York Metro Rising Stars List. Christopher is an associate at Sahn Ward Coschignano & Baker PLLC in Uniondale, N.Y.
Nicole Page ’03 CLAS married Ryan Welch.
Ryan Gibbs ’04 VSB married Kristin Gugliotti.
Joseph T. Imperiale ’04 VLS has been elected partner for the firm Pepper Hamilton LLP.
Peter Janiec ’04 CLAS, ’05 MA married Lauren Dwyer.
Brad Ingelsby ’02 VSB received a scriptwriting credit for the 2013 film Out of the Furnace, starring critically acclaimed talent like Christian Bale, Casey Affleck and Woody Harrelson. The crime thriller was released in December and garnered awards at several regional film festivals.
He also wrote the script for The Raid, an action film slated for release in 2015. It is his fifth film-writing credit.
FINDING SUCCESS AS A TINSELTOWN SCRIBE
Scott W. MacMullan, Esq., '04
CLAS has been appointed to the Maryland State Bar Association Judicial Appointments Committee. MacMullan is the owner and founder of Scott MacMullan Law LLC in Annapolis, Md.

Angelina Mondavi '04 CLAS and her sisters, Riana Mondavi '09 VSB, Alyscia Mondavi and Giovanna Mondavi, have released their new 2007 Dark Matter Wines, a Howell Mountain Zinfandel that has been handcrafted by Angelina and marketed by her sisters. Angelina received the Young Alumni Medalion from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Graham Sinclair '04 MBA presented a keynote on the role of investment in Africa and the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors in investment practice at the Thomson Reuters Trading Africa conference in Cape Town, South Africa.

Christopher Bilbao, DO, '05 CLAS married Mary Sheridan.

Daniel Errico '05 COE released his newest e-book, The Bravest Knight Who Ever Lived, following a strong-minded boy, Cedric, who grows up to be a heroic knight.

Alexander Miller '05 MBA was promoted to senior vice president, Digital Commerce, at QVC Inc. in West Chester, Pa.

J. Ryan Hall, Esq., '06 VLS welcomed a boy. Hall is the founder of the Law Office of Jamie R. Hall in East Norriton, Pa.

Timothy Lawson, Esq., '06 CLAS accepted a position as associate at Greene & Markley PC in Portland, Ore.

Joseph Mercadante '06 COE married Tara Touloumis.

Ursula Zangrilli, PhD, '06 COE was awarded a doctorate in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Zangrilli is working as a postdoctoral researcher at the Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

Steven Burda '07 MBA welcomed a girl.

Nathaniel M. Kramer '07 VSB has been promoted to manager at ParenteBeard LLC.

Michael Nuno '07 CLAS accepted a position as donor development manager at the World Society for the Protection of Animals' US office in New York City.

Joseph M. Martosella III, Esq., '08 VSB, '12 VLS has joined Wiser Pearlstone LLP as associate in the firm's Litigation Practice Group.

Ashley Reed '08 CLAS, '13 MA; Melissa Reed '06 VSB; and Courtney Reed '10 CLAS started the online business turquoisecreate.com. The business provides original photo and painting designs for iPhones, iPads and MacBooks.

Ana Hernández '09 CLAS, '11 MPA married Dorian Cantu.

Allison Montanaro '09 CLAS married Stephen Pimm '09 CLAS.

2010s

Stephanie Bilotta '10 CON married Andrew Mostone '10 CLAS.

Justin Kerner, Esq., '10 VLS is serving as a judicial law clerk in the US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Cayce Lista '10 CLAS married Brian R. Farina '11 COE.

Bridget Reilly '10 VSB has been promoted to senior associate at ParenteBeard LLC.

Lindsay Schauble '10 CLAS married Brian Bozzo '07 COE.

John P. Sullivan, Esq., '10 VLS accepted a position as associate at Volpe and Koenig PC.

JC Lamb '11 CLAS was awarded the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District II 2014 Rising Star Award.

The award recognizes a young professional who demonstrates the potential for leadership in advancement programs, enthusiasm for and commitment to the advancement profession, and understanding of the needs and goals of the philanthropic tradition.

Therese Medeiros '11 CLAS married Joseph Mangano '11 COE.

Kristen S. Balzer '12 VLS joined Rubin, Glickman, Steinburg and Gifford PC of...
In Memoriam

1930s

J. Bresnahan ’33 CLAS, Dec. 9, 2013.

1940s

James J. Traitz, MD, ’42 CLAS, Jan. 11.
The Rev. Edward V. Griffin ’46 CLAS, Jan. 4.

1950s

Lawrence D. Aigeldinger ’50 VSB, Nov. 12, 2013.
Albert F. Dallago ’50 VSB, Nov. 23, 2013.
Paul M. Kurisko ’50 VSB, Feb. 11.
John P. Noone ’50 COE, Jan. 12.

Peter S. Dooner ’51 VSB, Feb. 21.

1960s


Lansdale, Pa. Her practice focuses on family law.

Stephanie Perez ’12 CLAS has been accepted into the Peace Corps as an education volunteer in Sierra Leone. Perez will live and work in a community to teach math to Sierra Leone students at the secondary education level.

Christopher M. Kassay ’13 VSB has been promoted to senior accountant at ParenteBeard LLC.

John J. Leahan ’13 VSB, accountant at ParenteBeard LLC, has passed the CPA exam.

Lauren O’Brien ’13 CLAS is serving a year of full-time service with Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC) Northwest at Women’s and Children’s Alliance in Boise, Idaho, as a client advocate for women and children who have experienced domestic violence and sexual assault.

Michelle Parziale ’13 COE recently accepted a position at GE, located in Huntsville, Ala., as a mechanical engineer.

Taylor Rose ’13 CLAS is serving a year of full-time service with Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC) Northwest at JOIN in Gresham, Ore., as the house coordinator for a day shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Kristen Wendt ’13 CLAS is serving a year of full-time service with Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC) Northwest at Puget Sound SAGE in Seattle, Wash., as the outreach and communications coordinator.
CLASS NOTES

Walter Zuber '53 CLAS, Dec. 9, 2013.
Robert E. Geasey '81 MS, Aug. 21, 2013.
Thomas F. Swank, PhD, '59 CLAS, Nov. 21, 2013.

1960s

Philip C. Watson '60 CLAS, Oct. 21, 2013.
Mary B. McGlynn, PhD, '61 CLAS, '65 MA, Dec. 11, 2013.
Col. Stephen W. Miller, USA (Ret.), '61 CLAS, Nov. 18, 2013.
Philomena G. O’Hanlon '61 MA, Jan. 28.
Gerald E. Reeves '61 VSB, April 19, 2012.
Thomas Higgins '62 VLS, Jan. 10.
John K. Barlow '63 CLAS, Feb. 13.
Charles E. Brady III '63 VSB, Jan. 27.
Charles P. Hammock '63 VSB, Feb. 15.
Charlotte Wittern, PhD, '63 MS, '73 PhD, Oct. 15, 2013.
James J. Bernosky '64 VSB, Sept. 28, 2013.
James A. Currie '64 COE, Jan. 28.
Michael J. McBride '64 COE, Feb. 4.
Mary Ann Louise Walsh Reilly '64 CON, Feb. 6.
Carlan P. Hough '66 COE, Sept. 21, 2013.
Anthony A. Mileo '66 MA, Sept. 8, 2013.
Allen Beckman '68 VLS, Jan. 22.
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Thomas C. Rankowski '75 CLAS, Nov. 3, 2013.
James J. Barone '76 CLAS, Feb. 15.
Aaron J. Levinson '76 MA, July 23, 2013.
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Patricia Smith Ribik ’84 CON, Sept. 2, 2013.
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1990s
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Suzanne Drumm Durocher ’93 CON, Nov. 13, 2013.
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Emily C. Easter ’00 CLAS, Sept. 27, 2013.

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