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FROM THE PRESIDENT

DEAR FRIENDS,

The start of every new academic year holds familiar sights, sounds and traditions. On the surface, it can appear to be “business as usual.” But having spent many years at Villanova, eight of those years as its president, I can assure you that this University is not a surface kind of place.

While undergraduate education thrives, we continue our ever-growing commitment to research and graduate education. The link between all three is vital, with faculty-scholars using their research to contribute to their chosen fields and to inform their classroom teaching. Their research also creates opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to work closely with faculty, contribute to the field, and reap the benefits of participating in research and learning from professors who are shaping the scholarly body of knowledge. As Steven Goldsmith, PhD, says in the cover article, “I could not conduct my research without the assistance of our capable students. And being in the field helps students connect the dots. ... They question more, understand on a deeper level and develop a unique perspective that one doesn’t get from the classroom alone.”

Research also plays prominently as we transition toward reclassification to “Doctoral/Research University” status, as defined by the Carnegie Classification, the leading framework for describing universities and colleges across the United States. Strengthening our doctoral programs is just one part of our Strategic Plan. Doing so builds on our excellent undergraduate and graduate education, and creates a new model that exemplifies how producing the highest levels of scholarly research can intersect with

and strengthen an exceptional undergraduate experience. Learn more about this forward momentum on page 14.

Our comprehensive campaign, For the Greater Great: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change, has reached the one-year mark. With that anniversary comes the exciting news that we have reached \$347 million and now forge ahead with a renewed commitment to reach our goal of \$600 million. While the dollars and cents are exciting, what really matters—why we undertook such a momentous task—is the effect your generosity has on the academic, intellectual and spiritual life of Villanovans. These gifts are creating a living-learning environment that enables students and alumni to ignite change in ways that are distinctively Villanova-like. Read about this on page 22.

Finally, I’d like to thank and acknowledge our newest Villanova alumni—the Class of 2014—and all alumni who gathered for this year’s Reunion celebration. Among those distinct groups is a common thread, a commitment to the Augustinian mission of Villanova University. It inspires me as I work with you to direct the course of Villanova’s future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Peter M. Donohue OSA".

The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS
President

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NSF Grant Funds Genetics Research

The National Science Foundation has awarded a \$548,273 grant to Dennis Wykoff, PhD, the Dennis M. Cook '90 Gregor Mendel Chair in Genetics in the Department of Biology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Dr. Wykoff is investigating the extent to which the gain and loss of genes affect how an organism is able to respond to its environment. ■

On the Red Carpet

Filmmakers Thomas Smith '14 CLAS and McKenna Hinkle '14 CLAS were nominated for a Student Academy Award for their social justice documentary "Heel'd," which chronicles Hand2Paw, a nonprofit that brings together homeless youth and homeless animals. Only 51 students from colleges and universities worldwide were selected to receive this honor. ■

Record Number of Fulbright Grantees

One of the nation's top producers of Fulbright Students and one of only 10 institutions to have a Rhodes and a Marshall Scholar in 2014, the University hit a new milestone when 14 Villanovans, all from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, received 2014-15 grants from the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. This number of recipients is the largest in a single year in Villanova's history. ■



Among Villanovans who received prestigious scholarships are the following College of Liberal Arts and Sciences students and alumni: Mark Bookman '14 and Thomas Morris '14, Fulbright; Jessica Wamala '13, '14 MA, Rhodes Scholarship; Brendan Carchidi '17, Critical Language Scholarship; Samuel Ellison '14, Fulbright (front row); Joana Petrescu '14, Marshall Scholarship; Samantha Thoma '14 and Denis Whelan '14, Fulbright; Nicholas Ader '15, Goldwater Scholarship; Colin Cascia '13, Bethany Wood '14 and Jessica Eby '14, Fulbright; Michelle Velez '14, Princeton in Latin America Fellowship (back row). Additional recipients not pictured are doctoral student Rachel Aumiller '12 MA, Israel Hernandez '13 CLAS, Meredith LaSalle-Tarantin '14 MA, Michelle McNamara '12 CLAS, Carl Ober '13 CLAS and Andres Ortiz-Gomez '12 CLAS, Fulbright; and John Buglione III '14 COE, Critical Language.



Multidisciplinary teams of students take part in Imagination Quest, one of Villanova University's several entrepreneurial competitions.

Entrepreneurially Minded Engineers

A \$439,000 grant from the Kern Family Foundation has enabled the College of Engineering to expand its efforts to infuse entrepreneurially oriented engineering skills into undergraduate courses. In combination with the College's strategic initiative to increase the use of the inverted classroom model in its core curriculum, the new grant will help faculty introduce "entrepreneurially minded learning" modules into their course exercises. The goals are for students to become proficient in an engineering topic and to be curious about how what they are learning can be used to solve new problems. ■

Famed Epidemiologist Is Mendel Medalist



Villanova will welcome to campus the 2014 recipient of the University's Mendel Medal, W. Ian Lipkin, MD, a world-renowned epidemiologist and "microbe hunter." The award honors Dr. Lipkin for his groundbreaking work in the development of genetic methods for microbial surveillance and discovery, as well as his research into infectious diseases such as AIDS, SARS and West Nile virus. He will deliver the 2014 Mendel Medal Lecture, "Of Microbes and Man: A Delicate Balance," Oct. 31. ■

Acclaim for Law Student's Initiative



To fight "notario" fraud (a scheme by which non-lawyers misrepresent their qualifications to provide legal assistance to immigrants) in Pennsylvania, Vanessa Stine '14 VLS started the Notario Fraud Project in 2012. Today, the project has interviewed dozens of victims and referred additional immigrants to nonprofits. Her excellence in delivering volunteer legal services to those who are poor, under-represented or exploited garnered Stine a 2013 Super Lawyers Pro Bono Award. She also was one of six Villanovans to win the Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship's Meyer Innovation and Creative Excellence Award, presented by Edward "Chip" Meyer '86 VSB at Pitch Day April 24 (above). ■



NEW COLLEGE FOR ADULT LEARNERS

For nearly a century, Villanova University has served the needs of adult learners. Now it is building on that tradition. In April it announced the creation of the College of Professional Studies (CPS), which will provide rigorous undergraduate degree and non-degree programming for adult students, including working professionals. CPS' innovative online and campus programs will expand the breadth of offerings and provide even greater options and flexibility. "This new College reflects Villanova's standard of excellence and takes advantage of the University's many talents, including our world-class faculty, while adapting to new educational technologies and changing demographics in higher education," says the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS, University president. ■

ONE BOOK HITS 10

As the One Book Villanova program marks its 10th anniversary, the Villanova community is invited to read the 2014-15 selection, *The Other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates*. Moore explores how the different choices made by two young men with similar life circumstances destined one—the author—to become a Rhodes Scholar and the other to serve a life sentence in prison. ■

Monahan Appointed Dean Emeritus

Thomas Monahan, PhD, the John M. Cooney Endowed Professor of Accountancy and Information Systems, and faculty director of the Executive MBA program, was appointed dean emeritus of the Villanova School of Business in May. This honor recognizes Dr. Monahan's accomplishments as dean of VSB from 1996 to 2003, as well as his continued service. In his seven years at VSB's helm, Dr. Monahan initiated two master's programs; adopted a strategic plan built around globalization, technology, ethics and experiential learning; and oversaw renovations to Bartley Hall. He attributes the honor "to the hard work and commitment of our administration, faculty and staff during my tenure as dean." ■





In Nicaragua, Villanova engineering students, accompanied by Pritpal Singh, PhD, professor and chair, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (back row, right), traveled with their UNI classmates to visit sites such as these solar ovens.

Collaboration Offers Best of Both Worlds

A joint educational program has brought together students from the College of Engineering and the Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería (UNI) in Nicaragua. A two-course sequence teaches students at both universities how to create and commercialize new technologies for rural communities. The first course, Developing Technologies for Rural Nicaraguans, launched in spring 2014, and during spring break, four Villanova students traveled to the country to meet their UNI classmates. ■

ATLAS Program Takes Off

Students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences now have the opportunity to study abroad as early as freshman year. Academic Travel in the Liberal Arts and Sciences (ATLAS) is an international study program designed to prepare students for an ever-changing global workplace. Through partnerships with some of the world's most respected universities, students can earn college credit and certificates. ■

Center Celebrates Graduating Scholars



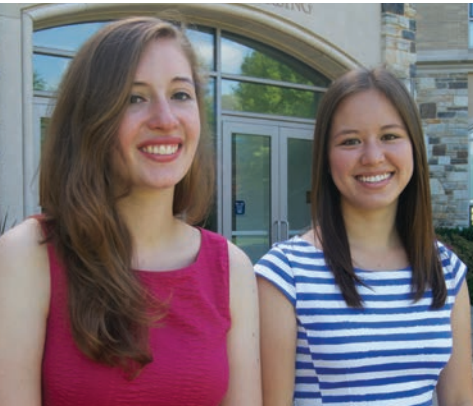
At its inaugural Recognition Dinner Dialogue April 1, the Center for Faith and Learning, directed by Beth Hassel, PBVM, DMin (center), honored the first graduates of its Scholars Program. More than 110 sophomore, junior and senior scholars, as well as faculty mentors from across the University, enjoyed their final meal and conversation of the year. Afterward, seniors received red (representing faith) and gold (wisdom) honor cords. Pictured from left are Katherine Garvey VSB; Christine Lafferty VSB; Samantha Williams CLAS; Danielle George VSB; Samantha Thoma CLAS; Matthew Whalen CLAS; Christine Conroy CLAS; Michael Corcoran CLAS; and Anna Beeman CLAS. Not pictured: Grace Cipressi CLAS and Thomas Horton CLAS.

LINDENMEYR NAMED INTERIM DEAN



Adele Lindenmeyr, PhD, was named interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences in June, following the retirement of Jean Ann Linney, PhD, the former dean. Previously, Dr. Lindenmeyr served as dean of Graduate Studies in the College. An international expert in Russian and Soviet history and culture, Dr. Lindenmeyr earned her bachelor's degree in Russian at the University of Pennsylvania and her doctorate in History at Princeton University. She has been a member of Villanova's History faculty since 1987. Dr. Lindenmeyr served as director of the graduate program in History from 1992 to 1998, when she began a nine-year tenure as chair of the department. ■

Davis Scholars Wrap Up Summer Research



During the summer, Elizabeth "Liz" Long '15 (left) and Teresa Yang '15 (right) pursued their respective research interests as the College of Nursing's inaugural Davis Undergraduate Summer Nursing Scholars. Working with Professor Elizabeth Dowdell, PhD, RN, FAAN, Liz examined nurses' perceptions of human trafficking victims in the emergency room, while Teresa investigated the use of technology to increase the safety of college students.

Their studies were made possible by the generosity of Hugh M. Davis '83 MS, '85 PhD; his wife, Pamela S. Davis; and their daughter, Olivia M. Davis '13 CON. The Davises have pledged to establish an endowed fund and a newly created, active fund, both of which support undergraduate participation in faculty-guided research. ■

Nursing Students Showcase Scholarship

The College of Nursing's Undergraduate Scholars Day April 24 featured presentations on a wide range of subjects related to health and illness. Topics included tuberculosis education in Ghana, Parkinson's disease in rural communities, tobacco cessation education and home genetic test kits. Madeline Nocero '15 CON (pictured) presented her scholarly work on the resurgence of rubella. ■



EMBA Alumni Host Conference

"Return to Learn" was the theme of the Executive MBA Alumni Association's annual leadership conference. In addition to a talk on University leadership, the event featured presentations by Dan DiZio, co-founder and CEO of Philly Pretzel Factory; Marc Lederman, co-founder and general partner of New-Spring Capital; and Paul Ridder, president of Tasty Baking Co. ■

Tax Programs Now Online

The Villanova University Graduate Tax Program has launched online counterparts to its Master of Laws in Taxation and Master of Taxation degree programs. Developed by Villanova University School of Law and the Villanova School of Business, these programs blend real-world education with professional responsibility in tax practice. ■

Learning Turned Upside Down

To help realize its vision for transforming engineering education, the College of Engineering incorporated a new approach to classroom learning by "flipping" four courses in 2013-14 and eight courses this semester. In the flipped classroom, the focus shifts from lectures to learning that is problem-based, experiential, oriented to the real world and rich in student-faculty interaction. Students access online resources to cover basic material on their own time. The outcomes have been impressive. A study by the College shows that faculty and student ratings of course value, quality of teaching and course material in the inverted classroom are equal to or higher than scores in the traditional classroom. More importantly, student grades have improved. ■



In the flipped classroom, students have more time to focus on problem solving with faculty.

Experts Analyze the World of Sports Agents



Villanova University School of Law hosted the 2014 *Jeffrey S. Moorad Sports Law Journal Symposium*, "An Inside Look at the World of Agents: Past, Present and Future," March 21. Andrew Brandt, director, Jeffrey S. Moorad Center for the Study of Sports Law (right), moderated panel discussions with agents, athletes, team executives and lawyers, including David Cornwell, Gordon & Rees LLP, counsel for Alex Rodriguez (left). ■

Class of 2014 Sets Giving Record

Villanova's newest graduates gave back to the University at a historic level this year. The Senior Class Gift reached 57 percent participation. With more than 850 seniors supporting nearly 100 areas of campus, the Class of 2014 is the largest contributor to the Senior Class Gift in Villanova history.

Annual Fund Officer for Young Alumni Giving JC Lamb '11 CLAS, '14 MA and the Senior Class Gift Committee planned activities that taught students the value of giving back, including the first-ever Student Philanthropy Phestival, held in April. Seniors who made a gift of \$20.14 or more during the year were invited to a luau-themed reception during Senior Week (pictured). ■



Law Grad Named Public Service Fellow

Lany Villalobos '14 VLS was one of only two young lawyers to receive the American Bar Association section of taxation's 2014 Christine A. Brunswick Public Service Fellowship. With the fellowship, Villalobos is working to expand tax services to Spanish-speaking, low-income migrant and seasonal farmworkers in rural Pennsylvania. ■



Lany Villalobos '14 VLS reads testimony from farmworkers at a Philadelphia City Council hearing.

KEES MAKES TOP 40



Profs Under 40 in the World. Dr. Kees researches consumer behavior, focusing specifically on cigarette package warnings and food nutrition labels. ■

Poets and Quants named Jeremy Kees, PhD, associate professor, Marketing, and the Richard Naclerio Emerging Scholar in Public Policy, to its list of the 40 Most Outstanding B-School

Team Wins Real Estate Challenge



Villanova School of Business seniors Kyle Grant, Jack Herrill, Lauren Nygren and Mike O'Neill bested 13 other teams from the nation's top undergraduate real estate programs to take home the first-place prize of \$5,000 in the Villanova Real Estate Challenge in April.

Society Taps Expert Theologian



Anthony Godzieba, PhD, professor of Theology, was elected to the prestigious American Theological Society. Membership is based on a candidate's contributions to the field of theological inquiry.



Cadets from the US Military Academy at West Point and their instructors join University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS for the opening of the conference.

Villanova and West Point Explore Ethics of War

The Ethics Program in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Center for Peace and Justice Education, and the College of Nursing joined forces with the US Military Academy at West Point to host a conference that explored the morality of war. Topics included the war on terror, individual responsibilities and preventive war. The conference was made possible through the William T. Dunn '55 Ethics Program Endowed Fund. ■

Home Health Study Earns Professor Award

Melissa O'Connor, PhD, MBA, RN, COS-C, assistant professor in the College of Nursing, received the John A. Hartford Foundation Claire M. Fagin Fellow Award in April for her study "Determining Readiness for Discharge From Skilled Home Health Services: A Mixed Methods Study." Dr. O'Connor's goal is to develop a tool that will help home health clinicians determine when patients are ready to be discharged from skilled home health. ■



Corporate Social Responsibility Meets Social Media

"Green Tweets: The Promise and Peril of Advancing Corporate Social Responsibility Through Social Media" was the focus of the 2014 *Villanova Environmental Law Journal* Blank Rome LLP Symposium April 4. Experts explored the business and legal implications of this trend. ■

Teacher-Scholars Recognized

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences presented the Tolle Lege Award for Teaching Excellence in Mathematics and Sciences, Social Sciences, and the Humanities to Catherine Staples; Megan Quigley, PhD; Catherine Warrick, PhD; and Amanda Grannas, PhD. James Wetzel, PhD; Bryan Crable, PhD; and Mirela Damian, PhD, received the Veritas Award for Excellence in Research. ■

Heritage Society Mass

The Office of Planned Giving hosted its annual Mass and Brunch for 1842 Heritage Society members May 4, recognizing those who support Villanova through estate gifts, life-income gifts and the transfer of assets. Society membership reached a milestone 700 this year. ■



REUNION GIFTS TOP \$18.8 MILLION

Each year, the Villanova Annual Fund invites alumni celebrating milestone reunions to give back through the Reunion Giving Program. In 2014, 12 classes raised more than \$18.8 million to support students, faculty and programs. At 46 percent, the Class of 1959 had the highest participation rate. The Class of 1984 had the largest total gift: more than \$3.5 million. ■

SENIOR STUDENT-ATHLETES LAUDED

At a reception May 15, Villanova Athletics presented the Male and Female Senior Student-Athlete of the Year awards to, respectively, Samuel Ellison CLAS and Emily Lipari CLAS, both track and field standouts. A Fulbright grantee, Ellison is a seven-time All-American and five-time BIG EAST champion. Lipari is a two-time national champion, 11-time All-American and 13-time BIG EAST champion. ■



Lecture, Awards Spotlight Peace and Justice



The Rev. Michael Doyle, whose efforts to improve the quality of life in impoverished Camden, N.J., have been featured on *60 Minutes*, delivered the Oscar Romero Solidarity Lecture March 25. Joining him were Kathryn Getek Soltis, PhD, director of the Center for Peace and Justice Education; William Stehl '99 CLAS, associate director of the center and of Campus Ministry (right); and John Catalano '14 VSB (left). John received two accolades from the center in 2014: the St. Catherine of Siena Undergraduate Peace and Justice Research Award and the inaugural Business and Justice Award, a joint initiative with the Center for Church Management and Business Ethics. ■

Medallion Honors Dean Fitzpatrick



The Philadelphia-based Chapel of Four Chaplains presented M. Louise Fitzpatrick, EdD, RN, FAAN, Connelly Endowed Dean and Professor of the College of Nursing (third from right), with the Legion of Honor Gold Medallion May 20 for having “devoted her life to education, service to others and caregiving in the highest sense.” With the honoree were (from left) Christine Beady, executive director of the Chapel; Larry Herrmann, Esq., member, the Chapel's board of directors; the Rev. Kail Ellis, OSA, PhD, '69 MA, Villanova's vice president for Academic Affairs; retired Navy Capt. Louis Cavaliere, co-chair, board of directors; and the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS, University president.

Wildcats Take Four at Penn Relays



At the 120th Penn Relays in April, Villanova added a thrilling chapter to its epic story of successes at the famed competition. The team of Samuel Ellison, Dusty Solis, Jordy Williamsz and Josh Lampron (left, with Marcus O'Sullivan '84 VSB, '89 MBA, the Frank J. Kelly Endowed Track and Field Coach) claimed the Championship of America title in the men's 4x800-meter relay. Nicky Akande, Emily Lipari, Kelsey Margey and Angel Piccirillo (right) defended their Championship of America title in the women's 4x800. Lipari, who also anchored Villanova to titles in the distance medley relay and the 4x1500-meter relay, was named the Women's Athlete of the Meet for the Relay Events for the second straight year. ■



Historians Host Public Program

Whitney Martinko, PhD, assistant professor of History, and graduate History students, including Samantha Hunter (left), hosted a public program at The Woodlands to share their research on people who had worked at the Philadelphia estate in the 18th century. The Woodlands is a National Historic Landmark.

Softball Sweeps Team Challenge

Thanks to the loyal support of alumni, parents and friends, the Villanova Softball program made a clean sweep of the 2014 Nova Nation Team Challenge, sponsored by the Villanova Athletic Fund. All varsity programs opposed each other in the giving competition, which counted gifts received from this past fiscal year. The Softball program will receive a \$20,000 gift from anonymous donors. ■

Making the Grades

In the latest Academic Progress Rate data released by the NCAA, Villanova student-athletes continue to rank among the nation's best and brightest in the classroom. Nine teams were publicly cited for their academic success. The Wildcats had all 24 teams at or above the national average for their sport. ■



Varsity Club Hall of Fame 2013 Class Inducted

The 2013 Class was inducted into the Varsity Club Hall of Fame March 1. In addition, University and Athletics administrator the Rev. William McGuire, OSA, '62 CLAS, who died in 2012, received posthumously the Jake Nevin Award. The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS, University president, joined honorees Louis Dearstyne Jr. '90 VSB, men's swimming and diving; Rebecca Spies Swain '95 CLAS, women's track and field; Tosha Woodward Sumner '94 VSB, '97 MS, women's track and field; Brian Finneran '98 VSB, football; Christine Thomas '95 VSB, field hockey; Alvin Williams '97 CLAS, men's basketball; Doug Nevins '96 CLAS, men's soccer; James White '85 VSB, baseball; Scott Chisholm '94 CLAS, men's lacrosse; and Vince Nicaastro, director, Athletics.

Profiles in LEADERSHIP

Two distinguished members bring diverse knowledge, skills and experience to Villanova University's Board of Trustees

By Colleen Lynn Curley



Anne Welsh McNulty '75 CLAS and Paul A. Tufano '83 VSB, '86 JD

Anne Welsh McNulty '75 CLAS

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During her junior year, Anne Welsh McNulty '75 CLAS paid a visit to Alvin Clay '51 VSB, dean of the Villanova School of Business and "one of those amazing people in life," to inquire about taking some business courses. "He said, 'I'll set it up, but don't tell anyone else!'" she recalls with a chuckle. She ended up taking introductory, intermediate and advanced accounting—all at once—and set the trajectory of her career in the business world, including a Master of Business Administration from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School.

No surprise that a senior who managed three accounting courses on top of her rigorous Honors Program requirements, as well as responsibilities as news editor of *The Villanovan*, would address her class as valedictorian.

"In my subsequent life, I've given a lot of speeches, but that is the one I was most prepared for and most excited about," McNulty recalls, joking that due to her extensive practicing, "any of my siblings could have given the speech."

Certainly the topic of Villanova is one with which her five brothers and sisters were familiar. Mary Rose Welsh Smith '72 CLAS; John J. Welsh '73 COE; Regina Welsh Stranix '78 VSB; Theresa M. Welsh, MD, '79 CLAS; and Paul A. Welsh '81 COE each followed in the footsteps of their father, the late John J. Welsh '49, a huge Villanova fan who would treat his children to Big 5 basketball games at the Palestra.

And although McNulty's late husband, John, attended St. Joseph's University, she adds, "We managed to have lots of friends on each campus, bridging that Big 5 divide."

Years later, following respective tenures at Goldman Sachs, the couple co-founded JPK Partners, a firm encompassing investment management services and a private foundation, which McNulty still heads. In her husband's honor, she founded the John P. McNulty Prize, recognizing values-based leaders addressing significant social problems in their communities. The prize is linked to the Aspen Institute, where McNulty is a director.

McNulty also continues the couple's gratifying work with the Naples Children's Education Fund and its charity auction, the Naples Winter Wine Festival, while serving Villanova as a Board of Trustees member and honoring her mother with the establishment of the Anne Quinn Welsh Endowed Chair and Director of the Honors Program. She is a member of Wharton's Board of Overseers and serves on the boards of the Metropolitan Opera and of the National Museum of Jewish American History.

McNulty exemplifies the determination of her ancestors and the Augustinian desire to serve others. "Villanova is where I learned to find ways to contribute, to be a leader and to take risks. This is the message I've carried forward." ■

Paul A. Tufano '83 VSB, '86 JD

TRUSTEE

Villanova's motto, *Veritas, Unitas, Caritas*, has additional significance for Paul Tufano '83 VSB, '86 JD, recently appointed chairman and CEO of AmeriHealth Caritas, a leading US Medicaid-managed care company. "Having one of those words in my company's name is very meaningful," he says.

And very fitting, as Tufano has been striving to help others throughout his career. In his current role, he is focused on providing health care to the underserved in 16 states and the District of Columbia. Working with these governments to ensure equal access to health benefits is nothing new for Tufano. As general counsel of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, he assisted then Gov. Tom Ridge in maintaining state support of legal services for the poor when these services were in jeopardy.

Then and now, he wants to help people to lift themselves up, be healthy and gain employment. "This reflects what I learned at Villanova about caring and community," Tufano notes. "To be able to lead a business with that objective is extremely fulfilling. As a lawyer, I have worked for equal access within the justice system regardless of income."

Now he's applying this same philosophy to health care—as he has to education and the arts. His 16-year tenure as a member of the board of Philadelphia's Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (including the past 3 ½ years as chair) is just one example. "We strived to ensure that everyone in the community could participate in the arts," he says.

While Tufano's professional awards illustrate his dedication to social justice, his St. Thomas of Villanova Alumni Medal and Villanova Law Alumni Association Gerald Abraham Award for Service to Villanova University School of Law hold particular meaning for the vice chair of the Board of Trustees. Tufano's contributions to Villanova date back to his days as a student member of the University Senate and as student body president.

"You do these things because you love the University. When you're recognized in this way, it's humbling, especially when you consider others who have been honored."

Tufano traces the willingness of Villanovans to serve those in need to the Augustinians who founded the University. Their mission was to raise up the children of marginalized Irish immigrants by providing access to education. "It is our unique legacy," he says. "And being the grandchild of immigrants, this mission stays with me."

It also explains why all he has done is rooted in Villanova, including his marriage to Christine (Obetz) '84 CLAS, '86 MA, at St. Thomas of Villanova Church, where the couple celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary three years ago. "I never stopped being a part of Villanova since I set foot on the campus as a freshman." ■



These and other scholars come from across the country and around the globe to pursue doctoral degrees in Philosophy, Nursing and Engineering at Villanova University.

All According to Plan

Villanova takes next step toward recognition as a national university

By Suzanne Wentzel

WHEN A PLAN is hastily made or poorly executed, the result isn't pretty. Travelers who forget to fill the tank get stranded on the highway. Entrepreneurs who bypass market research watch their businesses go bust. Politicians who slap together campaigns see their hats trampled in the ring. But when a plan involves discipline, foresight, strategy and prudence, the outcome is a thing of beauty. So seamlessly does it unfold that people are surprised when it suddenly bears fruit. "Already?"

Villanova's transition to "Doctoral/Research University" status, as defined by the Carnegie Classification™, is a perfect example. This move is no longer a distant goal, a project filed under "someday." It's here, and it's happening. The

evolution into a university known for its doctoral and research activity is the fruition of the deliberate steps Villanova has taken to help realize an imperative of its Strategic Plan, namely, to enhance its national stature and so become an even stronger magnet for outstanding students and faculty.

The criterion for this classification is straightforward: Award at least 20 research doctoral degrees each academic year. In May, Villanova reached this threshold—awarding six doctoral degrees in Philosophy and seven each in Nursing and Engineering—and is on target to do so in the coming years, which means it likely will be reclassified in the next assessment cycle.

Reaching this benchmark is a feat worth

celebrating. But equally exciting is what lies behind the achievement and what inspires the University to press forward: its ironclad commitment to fostering an environment in which restless hearts and rigorous minds produce powerful results. Increasingly at Villanova, research breaks boundaries. Scholarship validates new perspectives. Faculty-student partnerships redefine undergraduate education.

Growth, Villanova-style

This is the pattern by which Villanova, already a powerhouse in undergraduate education, has become known for excellence in graduate programming. For 21 consecutive years, it has placed No. 1 in the Regional University North category

in *U.S. News & World Report's* America's Best Colleges rankings. (The Carnegie Classification is distinct from ranking done by popular media.)

Now, by placing greater emphasis on doctoral education and higher levels of research, the University can play a more prominent role on the national stage—and in a way that is carefully planned and authentically Villanovan.

It will build upon its mission, strengths and core competencies. It will ensure that teaching, research and scholarship intersect. It will consider new doctoral programs only if they fulfill Villanova's distinctive niche. "We want programs that align with our mission and faculty expertise, and that impact the academic world," says the Rev. Kail Ellis, OSA, PhD, '69 MA, vice president for Academic Affairs.

Above all, the University will safeguard hallmarks of its undergraduate experience, including personalized learning and the collaborative pursuit of knowledge. "The ways in which we carry out our commitments to research and graduate education and to undergraduate education must be compatible," Father Ellis says.

In fact, this transition is an opportunity for the University to create a model in which high levels of scholarly research *strengthen* the undergraduate experience. Given its size, mission, faculty and research, Villanova is eminently suited for the task, says Alfonso Ortega, PhD, associate vice president for Research and Graduate Programs, and James R. Birle Professor of Energy Technology. "It's the perfect place to implement this innovative model of being a well-rounded, comprehensive institution on a smaller scale."

One huge advantage is that Villanova's culture attracts faculty as devoted to students as they are to scholarship. "Villanova is a wonderful combination of teaching and research," says Sally Scholz, PhD, a professor of Philosophy, award-winning teacher and prolific author. "We can bring our research into the classroom. Students, through their insightful questions and challenges, enliven our projects."

Powerful outcomes

Villanova is confident in its plan. It has only to observe the vitality of its doctoral



Doctoral candidate Sergio Yanez conducts research on composite steel joist systems in the Structural Engineering Teaching and Research Laboratory.

programs, the variety of its research and the vibrancy of its undergraduate curricula to know it is on the right track and to be excited about the potential outcomes.

For example, increased scholarly output would magnify the University's national reputation in academic and professional circles. Heightened national stature, in turn, would be a five-star recruitment tool.

It also would strengthen the University's intellectual climate.

With its enhanced status, Villanova would help educate the next generation of researchers worldwide. The résumés of faculty and other professionals would include the entry "PhD, Villanova University." Villanova also would blend its Augustinian heritage with the knowledge generated by

“As a University, as a community, we must be willing to change, to evolve. To wait is to lose our competitive edge.”

—The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS,
University president

Villanova would be among the elite schools to which the most talented students looked to pursue their studies and the most distinguished faculty to build their careers.

The ramp-up at the graduate and doctoral levels in the number of great minds exploring the frontiers of knowledge would elevate the conversation at the undergraduate level and expose students to big ideas, new research opportunities and a wealth of mentors.

its research and doctoral programs to lead universities in serving the needs of the Church and the world.

Picturing the possibilities is invigorating. Realizing them is essential. The most compelling motive for the transition to national doctoral/research status is that, in the rapidly changing higher-education landscape, it is critical to the University's future as a thriving, relevant academic institution. Such a future is indeed a thing of beauty. ■



WHAT PRICE GAS?

FRACKING IS A COMMON PRACTICE IN NORTH-CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. NOW VILLANOVA PROFESSORS AND UNDERGRADS ARE RESEARCHING THE BIG QUESTION:

IS THE GAIN WORTH THE PAIN?

BY MERCEDES OTT

AS YOU DRIVE on the Pennsylvania Turnpike's Northeast Extension, it's easy for your mind to get lost in the scenery—stretches and stretches of green acres, rolling hills and operational farms. As the hustle and bustle of the suburbs fade into the distant background, the open car window lets in the fresh summer air and sunshine. But the serene landscape belies the fact that there's a controversy brewing, and it's not long before you are jolted back to the reality of the "fracking issue."



Clockwise from left: Steven Goldsmith, PhD; Stephanie Dantos '16 CLAS; Lori Sutter, PhD, post-doctoral fellow; Danielle Radomile '16 CLAS; Nathaniel Weston, PhD; Kaitlyn McGrath '15 CLAS; and Gerard Ondrey '15 CLAS were part of a field research team that this summer continued an ongoing investigation about the impact of fracking on environmental factors in North-Central Pennsylvania.

Right: Kaitlyn McGrath, with Dr. Steven Goldsmith (above, right), and Stephanie Dantos (right), members of the research team, check water quality.



THOSE WHO CAN, TEACH

Drs. Goldsmith and Weston exemplify the teacher-scholar model that is present at Villanova University. Professors who are at the top of their game—leaders in their fields with prolific research, presenting and publishing success—still teach undergraduate and graduate students in the classroom. Not only do they teach, but they involve students in their research, creating unique learning and growth opportunities for students and enhancing the intellectual environment of the classroom. The model proves to be mutually beneficial for both professors and students.

“I was drawn to Villanova by the opportunity to teach at the undergraduate level and to build a research program that relies on undergraduate student involvement. I was also drawn to the very high level of engagement and commitment to service that Villanova students demonstrate,” says Dr. Weston.

Dr. Goldsmith agrees. “I could not conduct my research without the assistance of our capable students. And being in the field helps students connect the dots. ... They question more, understand on a deeper level and develop a unique perspective that one doesn’t get from the classroom alone. In this particular research, students in the classroom were puzzled as to why landowners would allow fracking. Traveling to these towns and seeing the economic diversity firsthand gives them a better understanding of how complex issues can be and how they need to problem-solve within the context of those realities.”



Immersed in research: Stephanie Dantos uses special equipment to collect samples that will be tested for chemicals.

THE VILLANOVA RESEARCH PROJECT

Drs. Goldsmith and Weston traveled with their student research team to rural Bradford and Susquehanna counties, where they conducted field research using a multifaceted approach. This more complex approach built upon and advanced the science behind such examinations, which typically used a single-pronged approach.

Their students, including Brian Donnelly '16 CLAS, Sara Alesi '14 CLAS, Katherine Wister '15 CLAS and Toni Iaria '14 CLAS in summer 2013, and Danielle Radomile '16 CLAS,

As you make your way up to Route 81, further and further from Villanova’s campus, you’ll see evidence of this issue, the imposing site of a gas drilling tower, placed in the middle of a huge track close to a modest family home.

The tower is part of a fracking operation, fracking being the shortened name for hydraulic fracturing. In simple terms, fracking is the process of drilling rocks buried deep beneath the top soil by injecting those rocks with high-pressure liquid and chemicals to force open existing fissures so that oil and gas can be extracted.

But fracking itself is anything but simple; indeed, it’s a significant operation and quite a controversial one, too, with tempers—and stakes—on each side of the debate running high.

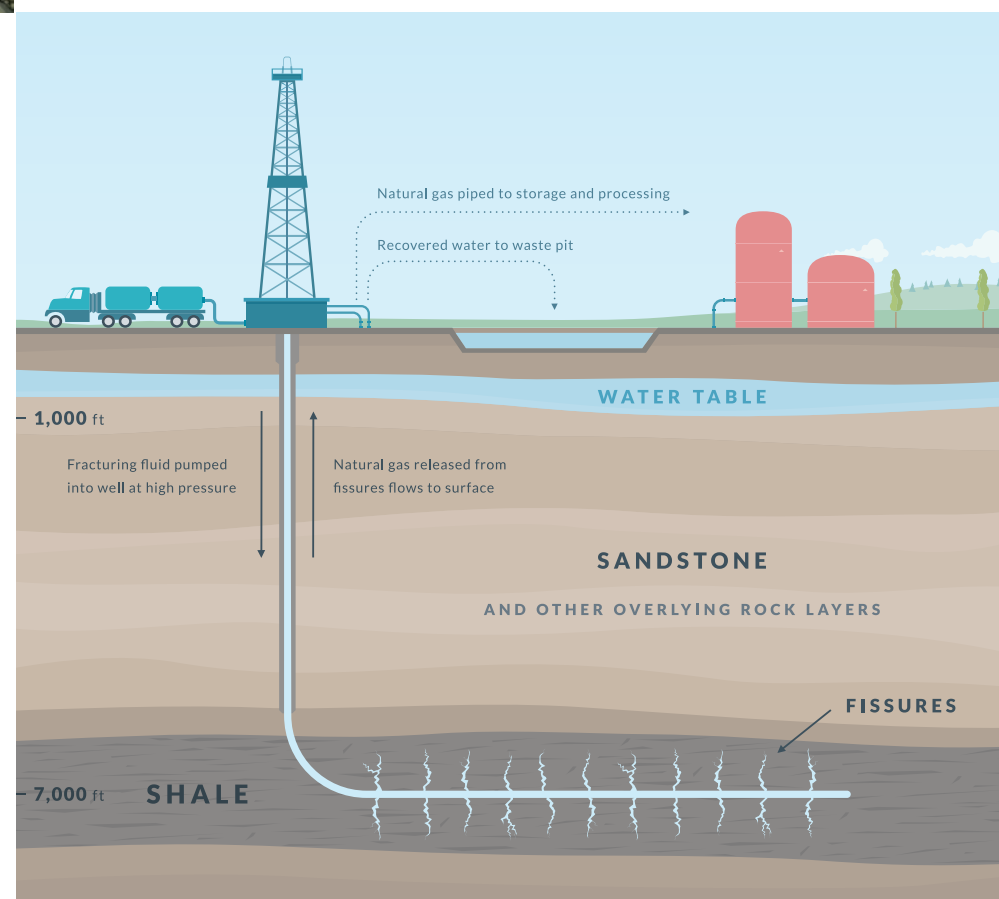
Proponents herald the benefits of lower fuel prices for consumers; access to fuel; decreased dependence on foreign countries; and economic benefits to individual landowners, communities and businesses, as well as to fracking companies.

Opponents sound the alarm regarding environmental hazards, such as water and ground contamination, and an increase in greenhouse gas concentrations, which contribute to climate change. Also concerning are human health issues, such as the risks of drinking, bathing and cooking with potentially contaminated water and the exposure to toxic chemicals. Health risks are compounded by the lack of

industry regulation regarding toxic chemical usage, and the monitoring and correction of leaks. Quality-of-life issues arise, too, including increased traffic, insufficient community infrastructure, property values and exploitation of landowners, especially in economically diverse communities.

Both sides have “dug in.” But the question remains: Is what society gains worth the price? Dr. Goldsmith poses a more constructive question: “Given that existing national and state environmental regulations permit fracking, the question becomes how can society employ the fracking method in a sustainable way that will protect the environment and human health?”

These are the critical questions being examined by Villanova professors, with assistance from undergraduate students, through field research in the heart of “fracking country,” North-Central Pennsylvania. Led by Steven T. Goldsmith, PhD, and Nathaniel B. Weston, PhD, both of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences’ Department of Geography and the Environment, Villanovans are examining the effects of fracking on stream and groundwater. The two professors were awarded a Pennsylvania Sea Grant with matching funds from the University in 2013 for a multi-year project titled “Establishing a Link Between Hydraulic Fracturing Activities and Streamwater Impacts in North-Central Pennsylvania.”



DIGGING DEEP

The illustration depicts hydraulic fracturing, better known as fracking. The process of conventional drilling is somewhat different from fracking. The process of fracking requires drilling at much deeper depths, horizontal versus vertical drilling, and the use of chemicals to open the shale. The size of a well pad site is typically between 5 and 15 acres, larger than a football field. The water needed to frack only one site can fill as many as 12 Olympic-sized swimming pools.



LET'S TALK

NURSING RESEARCHER ASKS RESIDENTS HOW THEY WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE HEALTH-RELATED FRACKING INFORMATION

Nathaniel Weston, PhD, and Steven Goldsmith, PhD, have found a kindred spirit in another Villanova professor who exemplifies the teacher-scholar model. Ruth McDermott-Levy, RN, '96 MSN, '08 PhD, associate professor of Nursing, also is tackling the fracking issue, but from a nursing perspective. Moving forward, she and her colleagues in the Department of Geography and the Environment are planning to collaborate and coordinate research projects that assess the impacts of fracking in Pennsylvania's rural communities.

Dr. McDermott-Levy has conducted her own research in which she spoke to residents in Wyoming County, Pa., who live on or near fracked property, near wells, or near dehydration stations and compression stations or pipelines. She asked residents about health concerns related to fracking and how they currently receive related health information and, importantly, how they prefer to receive such information.

She plans to use the data collected to design, with Villanova Nursing students, a health information program for the people of Wyoming County to reduce their environmental health risk related to fracking. She also will develop partnerships with communities in Wyoming County to develop a community-based participatory research program in which she will collaborate with the communities and with other scientists, such as Dr. Goldsmith.

Gerard Ondrey '15 CLAS, Stephanie Dantos '16 CLAS and Kaitlyn McGrath '15 CLAS in summer 2014, were directly involved in this research. The students and professors visited areas of active fracking sites, collected samples of surface water and groundwater, and interacted with local residents in fracking communities.

Together, the team worked to determine whether hydraulic fracturing activities are having an impact on streamwater resources in Pennsylvania. Their unique approach encompassed both the spatial distribution of well pads and the timing of delivery of impacted water, and is expected to result in a baseline metric that can be used to evaluate the extent of impacts within watersheds.

Dr. Goldsmith says, "This novel metric will also allow for the monitoring of nearby water resources during the life span of a well pad and can be used to direct the extent of future development. Finally, pinpointing the timing of delivery for these fluxes will allow for the deployment of appropriate treatment methodologies."

STUDENT IMPACT

While the results were troubling, the experience was amazing. Some students even completed independent research projects within the framework of Drs. Goldsmith and Weston's ongoing research and later had opportunities to present their findings at scientific conferences.

Villanova students, such as Brian Donnelly '16 CLAS and Sara Alesi '14 CLAS, who participate in field research—with professors who excel at both teaching and research—help advance the science and are better able to integrate classroom knowledge with working knowledge.



"The process of completing an independent research project, from designing the project through conducting research to completing a written manuscript and presentation, is the capstone experience for undergraduate students. Independent research requires students to synthesize the knowledge they've gained and utilize problem-solving and creative skills they've developed over years of study. I think there is no better preparation for future careers than independent research projects," says Dr. Weston.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

One of those students is Katherine Wister. You've heard the expression, "Perception is reality." Katherine set out to see whether that was true in Pennsylvania fracking towns. She and her colleagues, fellow students and Villanova professors, conducted a geochemical study coupled with a survey of residents who live on fracked land to evaluate a potential link between fracking and effects on groundwater quality and subsequent health issues and residents' perceptions related to water quality and health.

While Villanova and other universities and organizations have tested the water quality before, this was the first time such testing was correlated with a resident survey, making it another example of Villanova's research opportunities and innovation.

The team tested approximately 20 private shallow drinking water wells in Bradford and Susquehanna counties. They analyzed samples for methane, total conductivity and select elemental constituents. The same residents who permitted this sampling of their water also agreed to take a survey that asked their opinions about fracking and inquired about perceived changes in water quality and resident health since fracking had begun on their land.

The analysis revealed methane concentrations in more than 60 percent of the wells. There also was a correlation between methane concentrations and total conductivity (conductivity can be a potential indicator of water contamination). Additionally, the residents' survey results showed that they believed that their water quality decreased after drilling commenced in their immediate area. Residents whose water samples contained concentrations of methane also rated their health as poorer. And while the majority of survey respondents supported hydraulic fracturing due to its economic benefits, they do not drink their water.

Katherine concluded that the preliminary results indicate the need for increased sampling efforts evaluating the groundwater and the relationship to health issues associated with fracking. Villanova's Geography and the Environment team is continuing to work in these counties to investigate the effects of fracking.

THE STORY CONTINUES

While it's too soon to tell how this research will affect public policy and public health, the researchers will publish their findings when they are finished and share them with landowners, public officials, managers, the gas industry and the public. "We hope our research will allow us all to make better informed decisions about the future of our energy industry," Dr. Weston says. "Until then, we will continue our field work, but our focus now is on analyzing the samples we've collected and synthesizing the information." ■



Katherine Wister '15 CLAS led an investigation that coupled a geochemical study with a resident survey to evaluate a potential link between fracking and effects on groundwater quality and subsequent health issues.



The fracking research project is a multi-year, grant-funded project in which student-researchers are essential. The 2013 summer researchers, including Brian Donnelly, Sara Alesi and Toni Iaria '14 CLAS (center), sampled water in a North-Central Pennsylvania fracking community.



Taking Academics TO NEW LEVELS

With critical support from alumni, parents and friends, Villanova is addressing the campaign's educational priorities

By Suzanne Wentzel

IN THOSE FEW MAGICAL MOMENTS, the thrill was back.

The brief but powerful remarks delivered by deans and faculty members transported the alumni audience from a relaxed, softly lit venue to a lively Villanova classroom, awakening memories of having been students caught up in the life of the mind.

But as the professors described their love for teaching, their interaction with students, their pioneering research and their colleges' innovations, the words also carried alumni forward. They saw a future bright with possibilities. They felt a renewed appreciation for their alma mater as an intellectually vibrant, ever-evolving community. Its vitality seemed boundless; its potential for growth, limitless.

By the time the evening was over, alumni appreciated something else. For the Greater Great®: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change would provide the critical resources needed to help the University reach new levels of academic distinction—to move from “what is” to “what can be.” Indeed, it already was having a dramatic impact on faculty, students and programs.

► REGIONAL LAUNCHES

This scenario inspired alumni in cities from Boston to Los Angeles after Villanova's comprehensive capital campaign launched in October. From January to May, deans, faculty, coaches, and University and campaign leadership crisscrossed the country to host regional launches. They offered alumni a tantalizing glimpse, through personal testimonies, of this exciting epoch in Villanova's

history and of the vision that will be realized by the historic \$600 million endeavor.

At the Philadelphia launch, for example, Randy Weinstein, PhD, associate dean for Academic Affairs in the College of Engineering and professor of Chemical Engineering, highlighted the College's efforts to transform engineering education—from graduate degree programs in burgeoning fields to pedagogies that maximize real-world problem solving. “Every engineering school in the country will want to do what we do.”

Andrej Prsa, PhD, assistant professor of Astronomy and Astrophysics in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, emphasized that students play a central role in research on eclipsing binary stars for NASA's Kepler Mission. They also publish in journals, present at national symposia, are accepted at elite graduate schools and are recruited by eminent employers.

An expert in psychiatric mental health nursing, Patricia K. Bradley, PhD, RN, FAAN, associate professor in the College of Nursing, described her research into the psychosocial aspects of breast cancer as they affect African-American women. Her findings enable health care providers to better meet the needs of this community.

VSB's Quinetta Roberson, PhD, professor of Management and specialist in organizational behavior, shared why she left a tenured position at an Ivy League institution to come to Villanova. While both universities have top business schools and excellence in teaching and research, Villanova has something more—“a focus on truth, peace and justice, and love.”

Looking back on a year marked by championships, Marcus O'Sullivan '84 VSB, '89 MBA, the Frank J. Kelly Endowed Track and Field Coach, shared which achievement excited him the most. Samuel Ellison '14 CLAS, a seven-time All-American, had received a Fulbright U.S. Student Grant. That news elated O'Sullivan. It typified what can happen in this “vibrant environment” that the University nurtures. “There is no better time to be a Villanova alumnus,” he said. (To see the video of the presentations, visit www.forthegreatgreat.com/academicinnovation.)

► ACADEMIC IMPACT

The regional launches followed the precedent set by the What's Next? tour in 2011. University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS had traveled to more than 35 locales across the nation and beyond to unveil Villanova's 10-year Strategic Plan and engage alumni as participants in reaching its goals.

A pillar of the Strategic Plan is securing Villanova's future. The campaign is the most critical means to achieving this end. It will provide the funds that empower Villanova to press onward and upward, enhancing its national reputation

for academic excellence, world-class faculty and a diverse intellectual climate rich in student opportunity.

That is why it was important that the University not only take the Ignite Change Campaign on the road but showcase faces and stories that testify to the strength, rigor and depth of Villanova's academics. These personal encounters put flesh and blood on broadly defined goals and inspired alumni to want to help the University realize them through their financial support.

“Gifts and commitments at every level have been made as a result of the regional launches,” says Michael J. O'Neill, vice president, University Advancement. “Alumni, parents and friends show their pride in many ways, but the most passionate and selfless expression of that pride is their generous giving to ensure that future Villanovans will have the best education possible.”



Paul Farnan '91 COE (left) and Gerald Quinn '87 VSB (right), members of the Greater Washington, D.C., Chapter leadership team, join Sherri Weston, director of Major Giving, Mid-Atlantic and Southeast, in welcoming the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS, University president, to the regional launch in the nation's capital April 22.

The success of these launches builds on the University's efforts to expand its presence nationally. Since 2011, Villanova has opened Advancement offices in five regions: New York; New England; Mid-Atlantic and Southeast; Midwest; and West Coast. Working with the dedicated alumni in local chapters, these regional offices have engaged Villanovans where they live and work, reconnected them with their alma mater, and involved them in advancing the University's mission.

► COLLEGE PRIORITIES

The generous response of donors has enhanced the educational experience across the University. Campaign gifts have funded chairs and professorships, centers of excellence, scholarships, academic spaces and student programs. However, many opportunities to help are still available. Please see the following section for college priorities related to faculty and student support, strategic initiatives and other areas. ■

College Priorities



COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES (CLAS) PRIORITIES					
Dean’s Fund for Strategic Initiatives: This fund provides critical and immediate support for areas of greatest need, giving the dean the means to address challenges and opportunities that emerge throughout the year.	Faculty Support: Distinguished and passionate faculty empower CLAS students to excel. Support through the following will maintain this exceptional community of experts and innovators: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dean’s Fund for Faculty Development• Department-specific faculty support• Endowed chairs• Endowed professorships	Center for Irish Studies: Villanova’s Irish Studies Program offers distinctive opportunities for cultural immersion, including the Abbey Theatre Exchange Program. Funding will enhance programming for this center of excellence.	Department of Communication Renovation Project: Funding will support construction, equipment and maintenance of this new interactive learning environment.	Complementary Learning Experiences: CLAS educates the whole person. Experiential opportunities beyond the classroom are vital components of the learning environment: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Internships• Professional and leadership development• Mentored research• Study abroad	CAVE Automatic Virtual Environment Project: Additional funding will help to build and sustain this unique, high-tech facility for the benefit of students, faculty and visitors.



VILLANOVA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS (VSB) PRIORITIES			
Faculty Initiatives: VSB is committed to investing in and retaining its world-class faculty. Funding will support current faculty and cultivate rising stars: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Endowed funds for assistant professors• Summer research awards• Endowed professors and chairs	Dean’s Fund for Strategic Initiatives: This fund’s flexibility enables VSB to address greatest needs and act quickly on opportunities that can further VSB’s mission and reputation. Recent initiatives include <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Launch of student mentoring program• Curricular innovations in Analytics• Enhancements to the Applied Finance Lab• Launch of Center for Church Management and Business Ethics	Facility and Technology Enhancements: Upgrades to Bartley Hall, including new classrooms and study rooms designed for today’s business leaders, will provide students with a state-of-the-art learning environment.	Centers of Excellence: Funding will enhance and expand programming for VSB’s six centers of excellence: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Center for Business Analytics• Center for Church Management and Business Ethics• Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship• The Daniel M. DiLella Center for Real Estate• Center for Global Leadership• Center for Marketing and Consumer Insights



COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (COE) PRIORITIES				
Facilities: Additional support is needed to complete the expansion of the Center for Engineering Education and Research building, which will include the newly funded Innovation Lab.	Faculty Support: By endowing faculty positions, including department chairs, professors and leaders of the centers of excellence, COE will be a home for teaching and research, featuring some of the most inspiring inventors and problem-solvers in the world.	Student Support: COE is committed to providing growth opportunities beyond the classroom, including <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graduate fellowships• Undergraduate research assistantships• Professional development	Academics and Programs: Funding is needed to support academic innovations so that COE can continue to graduate intellectual and humanitarian engineers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minors in entrepreneurship, bioengineering and mechatronics• STEM outreach programs to middle and high school students• Service-learning programs, including international projects from Cambodia to Nicaragua	Endowment: Engineering labs require constant maintenance and frequent upgrades. A lab endowment for each of the four departments will provide essential funding to support these needs so that students and faculty can stay on the leading edge of knowledge and research.



COLLEGE OF NURSING (CON) PRIORITIES			
Faculty Support: With the national need for more nurse educators, CON seeks to endow new chairs and professorships to develop the next generation of educators, with a focus on fostering the Augustinian values that define and distinguish a Villanova nurse.	Programmatic Support: CON consistently has dedicated itself to staying ahead of the national and global trends within health care through such initiatives as <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MacDonald Center for Obesity Prevention and Education• The Center for Global and Public Health Support is needed to sustain these centers, while also providing funding to ensure that the College is able to address the health care needs of the future.	Scholarship: These gifts provide needed funding to help outstanding undergraduate and graduate students attend and graduate from the College.	Facilities: Numerous opportunities exist within Driscoll Hall for donors to endow or support state-of-the-art spaces, including <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simulation labs• Lecture halls• Classrooms



VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW (VLS) PRIORITIES			FIND OUT MORE. For contact information for the campaign’s academic priorities and to see the faculty videos from the Philadelphia Regional Launch event, please visit www.forthegreatergreat.com/academicinnovation
Student Support: Endowed and term scholarships give students access to the innovative legal education and experiential learning opportunities that prepare Villanova lawyers for success.	Faculty Support: Endowed chairs and professorships help VLS attract and retain the most distinguished legal experts who serve on its faculty.	Academic Support: Endowed centers of excellence and clinics provide the intersection of curriculum and practice, giving students the means to ignite change for real-world clients while exploring their interests in various legal specialties: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Center for Ethics, Integrity and Compliance; Center for Law, Entrepreneurship and Innovation; Center for Law and Religion; Center for Professionalism and Student Formation• Adoption Clinic; Advanced Advocacy Clinic; Civil Justice Clinic; Clinic for Asylum, Refugee and Emigrant Services; Farmworker Legal Aid Clinic; Federal Tax Clinic; Interdisciplinary Mental and Physical Health Law Clinic; Law and Entrepreneurship Clinic	

BEING AUGUSTINIAN

Every day, Villanovans define what it means to be educated in the Catholic Augustinian tradition

BY SUZANNE WENTZEL



Villanova—that’s Jesuit, right?”

If you’ve been asked that question, then you also know the inevitable query that follows, once you’ve set the record straight. “What does ‘Augustinian’ mean?”

Let’s face it. For lots of folks, Augustine is only a name—and one that they’re not even sure how to pronounce. Of the many esteemed historical figures whose orders are famous for Catholic higher education, Augustine is not the first to spring to the average person’s mind.

And yet, 1,400 years before Basil Moreau’s congregation made a home under a dome in South Bend; 1,100 years before the injured soldier Ignatius of Loyola beat his sword into an “SJ”; 800 years before Francis embraced a life of poverty and Dominic one of preaching; and a century before Benedict penned his rule for monastic life, Augustine was creating a legacy that would impact the course of Western thought.

Bishop, theologian, philosopher, teacher and writer, Augustine had a multi-gigabyte résumé and a bio more gripping than any reality show. As a teen, Augustine had walked on the wild side. He hung out with the wrong crowd, enjoyed loose living and set his sights on fame and fortune. But the divine spark that always had been in him inflamed an even stronger passion than worldly ambition: the hunger for wisdom. For truth. For knowledge that comes from looking deep within. This hunger led him to God.

Augustine’s distinctive approach employed mind and heart. His search began in humility, was shared among friends and was advanced by the dialogue between faith and reason. Powering the search engine was love. Today, we call this journey an Augustinian education. It is what puts Villanova University in a category all its own.

Inquiring minds, restless hearts

In his intellectual and spiritual pursuits, Augustine fearlessly sought answers to ultimate questions. It’s a tough act, but Villanovans follow it. Fortunately, they have an Augustinian tool that equips them for success: a liberal arts foundation.

This base empowers students in every college to think critically, expand boundaries and articulate new visions. From discussing Pascal in the Augustine and Culture Seminar Program to dining with faculty mentors in the Center for Faith and Learning, students seize opportunities to wrestle with moral, philosophical, scientific and theological issues.

At Villanova, this search for *Veritas* is open, free and respectful. Everyone has a place at the table, a voice in the discussion and a stake in the outcome. Augustine wouldn’t have it any other way.

Community of learners

Augustine put a premium on cultivating knowledge in the company of friends. So do Villanovans. They live, learn, grow, reflect and dream together.

In small-sized classes, students and faculty know each other’s names, listen to each other’s ideas and probe each other’s assumptions. Conversations that begin in class are continued within interactive “learning communities” in the residence halls. Collaborative spaces, interdisciplinary study and cross-college innovations bring together people from every corner of campus, forming—and transforming—relationships.

It’s nearly impossible not to be drawn into and inspired by this spirit of *Unitas*. Before all else, Villanova is a community. Visitors sense it. Faculty, students and staff magnify it. Alumni around the world spread it. Everyone has Augustine to thank for it.

Service and the common good

Augustine was adamant: The common good trumps personal interest. Love impels people to put others’ needs ahead of their own. This charge is at the heart of Villanova’s educational mission.

In classes and through co-curricular activities, students learn to see the connections between campus and the local and global communities. Seeing translates into compassionate action as Villanovans use their knowledge to serve others. They staff soup kitchens; tutor children; build homes; oversee the world’s largest student-run Special Olympics event; improve the quality of life in developing countries; and turn out by the thousands for the St. Thomas of Villanova Day of Service.

The Augustinian principle of *Caritas* drives them: The extent to which they love is the true measure of progress.

A just and ethical world

The University’s Augustinian motto, *Veritas, Unitas, Caritas*, packs a lifelong commission into three little words. Villanovans are to develop their minds, reflect in their hearts and then go out into the world and ignite change. Wherever life takes them, they are to create a more just, ethical and sustainable society.

For that reason, no Villanovan is surprised to be learning about morality in a marketing course or about Catholic social teaching in an engineering course. No Villanovan questions why the University puts so much time and money into promoting green initiatives and seeking justice for the oppressed. Above all, no Villanovan wonders what it means to be Augustinian. The only decision each has to make is: How will I live out this distinctive identity in my professional and personal life? The world couldn’t ask for a better definition. ■

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VILLANOVA POWER ON

Nova Network bolsters success

BY SHAWN PROCTOR



Connecting on the Nova Network led Emily Hughes '11 CLAS, '12 MA (right) to offer Jaime Brosnan '15 CLAS an internship at Time Inc.

WHEN ALUMNI REFLECT on their years at Villanova, often they remember the shared power of the University community. They recall faculty and staff who supported their burgeoning ambitions and helped them shape their passions into achievable goals.

Those strengths, deeply rooted traditions that collectively lift every Villanovan, continue in the years after graduation. The community that helped set students on the path is a continuing resource for Villanovans at every stage of their careers.

"The Nova Network is not just an online tool limited to job searching. It helps you to position yourself for the future. It's for current students, for young alumni who are starting their careers and for alumni transitioning their careers, as well as people who just want to make new connections," says Kevin Grubb, associate director in the Career Center, who also teaches students how to use social networking to create a professional identity.

As part of the Nova Network, in addition to many robust networking and professional offerings through the alumni section of Villanova's website (see sidebar), the Villanova University Alumni Association (VUAA) has established several social media channels, including Facebook and Twitter. For professional career connections, however, Grubb encourages alumni to explore the University's groups on LinkedIn where alumni can connect in new and meaningful ways. Currently there are 300 million LinkedIn users around the world, including 100 million in the United States alone.

Much the same as the University's strong approach to mentorship, LinkedIn continues the Villanova tradition of friends and partners in meaningful conversations—except here those conversations are online in the form of group discussions.

"These connections are the starter—the way

we spark the flame that helps our alumni find new ways to ignite change," Grubb explains.

VILLANOVANS TOGETHER

Jaime Brosnan '15 CLAS, a Communication major and Economics minor, had set up her LinkedIn profile in the hopes of connecting with a summer internship. After signing up for groups, including Villanova's mentoring subgroup, she noticed all of the posts by alumni who were looking for advice in their careers. She decided to give it a try and asked about an internship in communication in the Greater New York City area. A few days later Gerald Quinn '87 VSB, co-president of the Greater Washington, D.C., Chapter, put her in touch with Emily Hughes '11 CLAS, '12 MA, who works as associate marketing manager of Audience Development at Time Inc. in New York on the company's *Food & Wine* and *Travel + Leisure* and *Departures* magazines.

They met for lunch in the city and talked about Jaime's career goals. At the time there were no openings available in her department, but Hughes remembers being impressed with Jaime's skills and professionalism.

Shortly thereafter, an opening at Time Inc. became available, and Hughes says Jaime immediately came to mind as a great match. She offered Jaime an interview, and within a week had followed up with the offer for an internship position. Jaime had the opportunity to learn the ropes of social media marketing by working with the magazines' editorial teams and strategic partners.

"It was great for both of us. I am a firm believer in the power of the Villanova alumni community," Hughes says. Like Jaime, she has benefited from the alumni network: Hughes found her two previous job positions through Villanova connections.

"It doesn't take very much time to set up a LinkedIn profile, and it has been such a great resource for me. I've told so many of my friends about it," Jaime says. "Every post seems to contain a response with networking information for Villanova alumni."

Just as Hughes and Quinn assisted, when the opportunity arises, Jaime will happily pay it forward to the next generation of Villanovans. "I'm so grateful," she adds.

"I can't stress this enough—Villanova's alumni network is incredibly powerful. Alumni are willing and ready to help," Hughes says.

JUMP-START A CAREER

Through LinkedIn, the world's largest professional social network, the VUAA can connect to alumni in new ways than before. It's helping the University to engage with alumni and create partnerships that benefit other alumni, like career-focused webinars for young alumni and résumé coaching for students.

Unsure about how to start? Grubb has some practical advice for LinkedIn neophytes. Make a great, updated profile before joining the Villanova groups and subgroups. This ensures that other alumni have an accurate picture of your current career and skill sets. It also primes them to understand your goals.

When posting in a group, make sure the request is "something that is easy to say yes to," Grubb says. For example, asking outright for a job or internship is difficult to fulfill. It is much

easier to request advice, resources or feedback, which can lead to conversations about achieving specific goals. Remember to be specific and provide any needed background as well.

Personalize your communication, and if there is an opportunity to network, try to take the conversation offline, if possible. Certainly there is a time for email, voice-over-IP services and telephone, but Grubb is adamant that trust and long-lasting connections are built through face-to-face contact. "That's the ideal," he says. "Decisions are usually made in person."

Whether it is updating your information in the Alumni Directory, attending an event or reaching out to other Villanovans through the VUAA social media channels, Grubb encourages tapping into the power of the Nova Network. "It's a powerful place to be," he says. ■

Here is a quick rundown of the resources available to the Nova Nation. Make it a habit to spend a few minutes connecting with Villanovans, whether in person or online at alumni.villanova.edu.

ALUMNI DIRECTORY

Search for and find fellow Villanovans by name, class year, residence or career category.

ALUMNI UPDATES

Update information such as home address, business affiliation, email address and phone number.

WEBINARS AND VIRTUAL NETWORKING

Search the Villanova database and connect with other Villanova professionals for career networking opportunities.

CLASS NOTES

Share updates and photos of special occasions.

EMAIL FORWARDING

Alumni registered online can sign up for a username@alum.villanova.edu forwarding address, which associates an already existing email account to an alum.villanova.edu email address.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Register for featured events and view the full calendar for VUAA-sponsored events nearby.

JOB LISTINGS

Search for jobs and post opportunities in the online database.



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In Every End, *A New Beginning*

BY SHAWN PROCTOR



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EACH COMMENCEMENT symbolizes both a beginning and an ending as the transformational journeys that began four years ago at Villanova conclude. It is a rite, imbued with tradition, signaling the start of a passage into graduates' futures. They join the greater community of Villanovans connected around the world; they carry forward the light and wisdom learned at the University; and they rise to meet the personal challenge of all alumni to ignite change everywhere.

But just as their experience at Villanova was guided by St. Augustine's imperative "*Tolle Lege*"—take and read—so, too, is Commencement an ideal occasion to pause in reflection. For in these graduates is the sum of the love and support from family, friends, and the University's faculty and staff. It is a celebration of their hard work and sacrifice. And just as each graduating class before them, they will prepare themselves for the years ahead in order to reach their greatest potential, one that will shape the world.

"We wish you well as you begin 'new homes'—new Villanovas—all over this world," University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS told the 2014 graduating class May 15. "You have received wisdom here. We hope it has ignited your heart."

Commencement speaker Jill T. Biden, EdD, '91 MA, second lady of the United States, who shared many lessons of her life, said each one ultimately taught her that each person must show his or her heart to the world. Villanovans must commit to persevere, regardless of the stumbles along the way.

She quoted Pope Francis as he paraphrased the wisdom of St. Ignatius: "Love is expressed more clearly in actions than in words." It is through these deeds that Villanovans will achieve their own greater great. ■

A. University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS saluted the new graduates for their accomplishments.

B. Distinguished alumnus Arthur Kania '56 (left) received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree as part of Villanova University School of Law's Commencement ceremony. Congratulating him were Father Donohue and John Y. Gotanda, JD, The Arthur J. Kania Dean and Professor of Law (right).

C. The Rev. Robert F. Prevost, OSA, JCD, '77 CLAS, '85 MA received an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree for his service to the Augustinian Order.

D. Harry A. Dietzler, a longtime contributor to the regional theatre community, received an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree.

E. Jill T. Biden, EdD, '91 MA, second lady of the United States, addressed Villanova's Class of 2014 at the Commencement ceremony.

F. Gregory Hannah, adviser, Disabled Student Services, and Stephen McWilliams, MFA, PhD, adviser for Students Living With Disabilities, celebrated the graduation of Frank Kineavy CLAS, who served as team manager and media relations intern for Men's Basketball while at Villanova.

G. The ceremony provided an emotional moment for many who called Villanova their home.

IGNITING CHANGE

Villanovans contributing to the community



The Jake Nevin Field House was home base for James Murray '60 CLAS, first in his days as student manager of the baseball team and, later, as director of Sports Information.

A Storied Life

The Ronald McDonald House co-founder and former Eagles GM knows the power of a good story

By Suzanne Wentzel

Some people scoff at miracles. Others pray for miracles. James Murray '60 CLAS witnesses miracles. And they leave him speechless—momentarily.

As those lucky enough to know the ebullient raconteur will attest, Murray loves to talk. No one can be with him for five minutes without hearing him say, “Let me tell you a story.” The trove from which he plucks these narrative nuggets is jam-packed. Every person Murray encounters is a story waiting to be heard, and he is there to listen, remember and regale.

It's what he did as he hitchhiked to Villanova for four years, worked to attract fans to minor league parks, managed a restaurant for glitterati, drafted NFL players, helped found the first Ronald McDonald House and ate lunch with the pope.

Murray knows firsthand: When people enter each other's story, miracles happen.

EDUCATION FOR LIFE

Of the many characters who have filled Murray's story, few rival the man who was mentor, confidante and friend. Arthur Mahan '36 CLAS, a former Phillies first baseman who became Villanova's vice president for Athletics, had been the Wildcats' baseball coach when Murray answered an ad for a student manager.

Under Mahan's tutelage, Murray learned life lessons and was inspired to find work in baseball after graduation. Capitalizing on his English degree; Mahan's advice; and his wits, grit and gregariousness, Murray landed jobs with several Triple-A affiliates. In between, he did

active duty as a Marine reservist. He then salvaged a posh but floundering Malibu restaurant whose clientele included Peter Lawford and Lee Marvin.

In 1966, he returned to Villanova to work for his mentor as director of Sports Information. It was a dream job, which is why Murray resisted when, several years later, Mahan suggested he apply for an opening with the Philadelphia Eagles. Murray got an interview but gave it less than the old college try. Mahan dug in. “If you didn't do your best, go back.”

Murray went back. In June 1969, the Eagles hired him to be assistant publicity director. Five years later, he was named general manager. He helped transform a losing team into a Super Bowl contender, a turnaround accelerated by the hiring of head coach Dick Vermeil. Murray also helped create a “home away from home” for the families of children with cancer.

DREAM TEAM

After tight end Fred Hill's daughter Kim was diagnosed with leukemia, friends and teammates organized Eagles Fly for Leukemia to raise funds for research, and owner Leonard Tose pledged the franchise's support. It fell to Murray to figure out how to raise and spend the money. This mission led him to Audrey Evans, MD, an oncologist at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and he listened to her needs. Atop her wish list was a facility in which the families of young patients being treated could stay.

Murray liked it—but then went for extra yardage. “You need a house,” he said. Ever the promoter and negotiator, Murray swung into action. Eventually, he and Ed Rensi, then McDonald's regional manager, reached an agreement that had Murray's Irish eyes dancing. The company would donate all proceeds from the sale of a new St. Patrick's Day milkshake in exchange for naming rights.

Thanks to Murray and fellow co-founders Tose, Hill, Rensi and Dr. Evans, the first Ronald McDonald House opened in Philadelphia in 1974. Formerly a fraternity house, the building had been renovated by John Canuso Sr. '63 COE, whose daughter Babe was a leukemia patient. Murray began reaching out to other NFL executives to help open houses in their cities. Today, Ronald McDonald House

“Villanovans have an indelible ‘V’ on their spirits.”

—James Murray

Charities operates more than 338 houses worldwide. Murray numbers it among his greatest blessings.

“It is the Super Bowl,” he says. “I could tell story after story of the families now in my life and of the miracles that happen. I'm happy to be a little part of it.”

HIGHER GAME PLAN

Confident that God calls the plays, Murray sees every job as a “sacred trust” but never takes himself too seriously—an attribute Pope John Paul II likely observed in him. When the pontiff visited Philadelphia in 1979, he saw, in the throng, a baby whose shirt proclaimed that he, too, was named John Paul. The baby was the youngest of Jim and Dianne Murray's five children. The pope came over and blessed the tot. In time, this “mini-miracle” led to others, culminating in Murray's lunching with the pope at the papal residence in Castel Gandolfo, outside Rome. After he shared the story of the Ronald McDonald Houses, Murray

couldn't resist adding, “Holy Father, you're the head coach of the world!”

The president and CEO of the public relations and marketing firm Jim Murray Ltd., the alumnus stays close to the campus that shaped his life. He was the 2010 recipient of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences' Alumni Medallion, and he helped bring back intercollegiate football and hire head coach Andy Talley. “Jim is one of God's best people,” Coach Talley says. “Everyone loves him!”

In addition to attending daily Mass at St. Thomas of Villanova Monastery, Murray often visits the Office of Disability Services. Stephen McWilliams, MFA, PhD, the adviser to Students Living With Disabilities and author of *Life Is an Audible*, the forthcoming biography of Murray, feels privileged to be part of his story. “Jimmy has no agenda—except to help everyone. He can toast movers and shakers and then hang with the average person on the street. The change he creates is the cumulative effect of his being caring and compassionate.” ■



Until his death in 2010, Arthur Mahan '36 CLAS (right), former vice president for Athletics, was a father figure and friend to his protégé, James Murray '60 CLAS (left).

Perfect Balance

For Angelina '04 CLAS and Riana '09 VSB Mondavi, chemistry plus business equals success

BY COLLEEN LYNN CURLEY

The last thing most people consider when enjoying a glass of wine is the chemical composition of their pinot noir or chardonnay—unless, of course, one happens to be a winemaker like Angelina Mondavi '04 CLAS. Angelina was 10 when she started gaining career experience pulling wine samples for her grandfather and father, and working in the lab at Charles Krug, the winery her great-grandparents, Cesare and Rosa Mondavi, had purchased in 1943.

“Every winemaker has specifications for pH, acidity and other factors,” Angelina says. “Growing up, I was taught how to craft these, and slowly I began to understand the reasoning behind what winemakers do—for example, when they harvest their grapes, or whether they keep or remove the grape skin before ‘pressing off’ for color extraction.”

While she was quite interested in these “nuances,” her desire to follow her family’s deep footsteps into the vineyard didn’t ignite until her junior and senior years at Villanova University, hundreds of miles away from Napa Valley, Calif. The courses in her chemistry program deepened her understanding of the information she had stockpiled as a youngster. They gave meaning to the nuances, as she discovered compounds that could be applied to softening the bitterness of wine and learned the effects of oak barrels versus stainless steel tanks on fermentation. (Mondavi insists on 100 percent French oak

barrels, which, Angelina explains, “release compounds I really like, giving the wine a soft creaminess.”)

IDEAL ACADEMIC CONTRAST

A Chemistry major, Angelina completed a minor in Business to create the right balance for success in the industry, although her preference was not to work in the office but to be hands-on—testing the soil in the vineyard and making wine.

So it was fortunate that her sister, Riana '09 VSB, who followed Angelina’s path east to Villanova, chose a double major of Marketing and International Business, which, Riana says, gave her “the educational foundation I needed to thrive in the business world.”

These contrasting academic backgrounds and inclinations would serve the sisters well for the exciting venture they embarked upon in 2003. Together with their siblings, Alycia and Giovanna, the fourth-generation quartet purchased two beautiful acres in Howell Mountain, Napa Valley, appropriately naming it Four Sisters Vineyard—the place from which their Dark Matter Wines would spring forth.

As head winemaker, Angelina is drawing intensely on her undergraduate chemistry experience, as well as the pursuits that those years inspired. Her résumé includes a harvest position at the Yalumba Wine Co., Australia’s oldest

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—ANGELINA MONDAVI



The Mondavi sisters—Giovanna, Riana '09 VSB, Alycia and Angelina '04 CLAS—have pooled their talents and built on their wine-making family’s traditions to launch their own company.

family-owned winery, which afforded her the opportunity to pursue a master’s degree in Oenology (the science and study of wine and wine-making) from the University of Adelaide’s Waite Campus. She then became assistant winemaker with Pine Ridge Vineyards and, later, with One True Vine LLC, under the tutelage of Jayson Woodbridge.

Four Sisters has put out three zinfandel vintages (2006, 2007 and 2008), with 2009 forthcoming. While Angelina works to ensure the balanced complexity of these Dark Matter wines, Riana’s business degree serves her well as the company’s brand and sales manager. Alycia focuses on marketing and sales management, and Giovanna wears two hats—that of sales associate and of social media manager.

DOING THE UNEXPECTED, TRADITIONALLY

Although their roles are varied, the four sisters are committed to the revolutionary wine techniques—such as cold fermentation, cold sterile filtration and the aforementioned use of French oak barrels—that their grandfather introduced to the industry, as well to carrying on the family’s strong tradition and values.

“My grandpa is 99 and still goes to work every day,” says

Angelina. “When you see that ability, that passion, that sparkle in someone, it makes you want to do even more yourself.”

Her passion, as well as Riana’s, also is fueled by the values intertwined in their undergraduate experiences.

“At Villanova, it’s all about pushing boundaries and following through on that to be successful,” notes Angelina, who was honored with the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences’ Young Alumni Medallion in 2013. “Professors encourage students to move beyond thinking that you have to do what is expected or standard—and they are constantly doing so themselves in their courses.”

As a result, today Angelina and Riana and their sisters—as winemakers and wine marketers—are indeed pushing boundaries, from their high-end, 100 percent zinfandel vintages to the distinctive, far-from-customary label on their bottles.

“Villanova really taught us to think outside the box, take risks and go for our dreams. And Dark Matter Wines is a testament to following through on dreams,” says Angelina. “You’re always going to fail at something, but at the end of the day, that failure will be what allows you to reach your goals and succeed. What’s the point if you don’t risk everything?” ■



Two Worlds United

Keith Martinez '16 CLAS represents the best of Villanova and Lakota values

"There are those who look at things the way they are, and ask why. ... I dream of things that never were, and ask why not?"—Robert Kennedy

From his soft voice and humble demeanor, a casual listener might not realize Keith Martinez '16 CLAS is a young man who came to Villanova to fulfill a big dream. That dream melds Keith's passion and devotion with the University's platform for social justice to improve life for the Lakota people living on his South Dakota reservation.

"I am always working to try and make something better," says Keith, a Kyle, S.D., native who majors in Communication and is in the Honors Program. He is also a Villanova Presidential Scholar and Gates Millennium Scholar. "There are so many great programs on campus—the University perceives each student's potential and helps him or her become someone who can ignite change."

Before matriculating at Villanova, Keith faced a difficult decision. Should he stay in his high school, where he was not challenged academically, or leave his mother and six brothers to attend Scarsdale Senior High School in Scarsdale, N.Y., as a member of the selective STEP (Student Transfer Education Plan)?

He and his family recognized that his greatest potential could be realized only with better resources and education than was available at home. Outside of that community and welcomed into a new one at Villanova, Keith understands even more clearly the issues that affect the people on his reservation: poverty similar to inner cities, people engrained with a poverty mindset and political corruption among tribal leaders.

To lift up the next generation, Keith has honed his public speaking skills in Villanova's Communication Department. "I don't want kids to have to leave the reservation in order to get a good education, but I recognized that it would be very difficult to make changes if I couldn't speak about the problems," he says.

CREATING CHANGE IN THE WORLD

The University's proximity to Washington, D.C., has allowed Keith to visit his senators on Capitol Hill and raise awareness about Native American issues. As a result of his work, Keith has been recognized as a Champion for Change by the Center for Native American Youth and a Youth Ambassador by Youth Service America. These accomplishments are in addition to his robust service and raising funds for nonprofit groups on campus and in the Greater Philadelphia region.

He adds that Nicole Davis, assistant director for Retention and Outreach Counseling in the Center for Multicultural Affairs, has been vital in helping him to keep a balance between his academic workload and exploration of new social justice opportunities. She provides emotional, academic and administrative support for Villanova's other students who have received Presidential Scholarships for Underrepresented Students as well.

"He has a strong platform to help raise awareness as a change agent," Davis says. "At the end of the day, Keith knows that's what he wants to do—make a difference so others can have the same opportunities that he has right now."

This summer Keith was able to meet President Barack Obama through the My Brother's Keeper Initiative. Yet his work, as with his studies at Villanova, always leads him back to his central goal.

He hopes to create a nonprofit designed to raise awareness of Native American issues around the country while inspiring Lakota children to become the tribal leaders of tomorrow. Education is the path that will lead to prosperity, Keith believes. Lastly, he wants to combine the new generation's big dreams with financial resources to make them real.

"The communication skills I have learned at Villanova will be vital in all of these efforts," Keith says. ■

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—KEITH MARTINEZ

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University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS signs the St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor.

CROSSING THE NEXT THRESHOLD

Villanova affirms its commitment to sustainability

>> By Suzanne Wentzel

Every day the media presents people with overwhelming evidence of human-induced climate change and of the hefty price being paid by the vulnerable and voiceless. The scale of the crisis reduces some green-intentioned people to a state of hopeless inertia. At Villanova, however, it propels them to new levels of accountability and action.

In April, University President the Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, '75 CLAS signed, on behalf of Villanova, the St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor. Signatories of this initiative, sponsored by the Catholic Climate Covenant, vow to

protect creation and advocate for those most severely affected by climate change.

The pledge entails clear areas of commitment, including education on the causes and moral aspects of climate change, behavior assessment and promotion of Catholic principles. These align with the mission of an Augustinian institution grounded in the awareness that all of creation is sacred and connected. "It is never a question of do we preserve the environment or do we take care of the poor," says Kathryn Getek Soltis, PhD, director of the Center for Peace and Justice Education. "These are not mutually exclusive concerns."

LEADERSHIP STRENGTHENED

The signing of the pledge publicly affirms the direction in which Villanova has been moving. It is the latest in a series of milestones marking the University's rise as a sustainability leader. Even an abridged version of the timeline shows the efficient pace at which these achievements have been notched: 2004, adoption of sustainability policy; 2007, signing of American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment; 2009, formation of President's Environmental Sustainability Committee; 2010, completion of Climate Action Plan.

The past few years have been equally fruitful. Villanova achieved "Fair Trade

University" status, an endorsement of its support of environmental and social justice practices. Fedigan Hall became the fifth campus building to earn Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design certification. Villanova again was included in the Sierra Club's list of top Cool Schools and profiled in *The Princeton Review's Guide to 322 Green Colleges*. And in March 2013, the University hired Liesel Schwarz, its first sustainability manager.

With the goal of 2050—the year by which Villanova plans to achieve carbon neutrality—ever before her, Schwarz supports the scores of sustainability efforts on campus, making her a key player in the fulfillment of the pledge. She is involved in energy efficiency, alternative transportation and other projects spearheaded by the Office of Facilities Management. She tracks the University's progress in strategic areas; helps faculty incorporate sustainability into courses; and liaises with student groups to organize events and launch initiatives. Such collaboration charges her battery. "Everyone wants to know how we will make sustainability a reality in the world," Schwarz says. "It is the students who will change the tide."

SUSTAINABLE STATE OF MIND

Another innovation that will help the University meet its commitments is the Villanova Center for Energy and Environmental Education (VCE3). Housed in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and supported by private gifts to the Dean's Fund for Strategic Initiatives, this pilot center, founded in 2013, enhances teaching and learning in the areas of environment, energy, sustainability and climate. It has gone from bud to bloom in record time. From hosting lunchtime seminars on faculty research to presenting a workshop on sustainability across curricula, VCE3 not only gets the word out about important themes, but does so in a way that is intelligible to people of any discipline.

"We want a Villanova degree to be synonymous with sustainability," says Jared

Paul, PhD, associate professor, Chemistry, who, with department colleague Amanda Grannas, PhD, associate professor, co-directs VCE3. "We need every graduate, from accountants to theologians, to have a background in sustainability."

In November, VCE3 will host geologist Richard Alley, PhD, a contributor to

and stewardship. The Center for Service and Social Justice engages students in sustainable projects worldwide. Through the Center for Peace and Justice Education, advocacy groups flourish, and courses on environmental ethics and ecologically sound agriculture cause paradigm shifts. "When students start to see themselves as part of an



Sustainability Manager Liesel Schwarz visits Villanova's constructed stormwater wetland, a stop on the campus sustainability tour.

the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, which shared the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize with Al Gore. Such offerings underscore VCE3's mission to educate the community and deter it from seeing the glacier as half-melted. "The news is so dire that people want to throw their hands up," says Dr. Grannas. "We approach climate change with a positive, solutions-oriented, future-thinking process."

PRINCIPLES IN PRACTICE

Much of the activity anticipated in the pledge is carried out by the Office of Mission and Ministry, an energized locus for the exploration of sustainability within the Augustinian intellectual tradition. Faculty workshops on Catholic social teaching unpack concepts of solidarity

indivisible network of life, how they participate in that continuum also changes," says William Stehl '99 CLAS, associate director for the center and for Campus Ministry.

Such transformation empowers alumni to become voices of reason and hope. They can make decisions based on truth as they seek moral, sustainable solutions, says Joseph Robertson '97 CLAS, '00 MA, strategic coordinator for Citizens' Climate Lobby and longtime participant in the University's sustainability initiatives. "The pledge is Villanova's way of saying that we use our intelligence and freedom to think about ramifications, choose the better path and not impose burdens on those who have no say."

That's the kind of evidence humankind sorely needs. ■

TRADITIONS, VALUES, SUCCESS

One year later, Villanova and retooled BIG EAST score high

➤ By Shawn Proctor

WHEN student-athletes pull on the Villanova blue and white, they are energized by the University's incredible spirit. Villanova's runners start a race with speed, but it is the school community that gives them endurance to sprint across the finish. And when Wildcats line up for a game, they know it is the pride and unity of Nova Nation that inspire them to play with heart. For it is together that Villanovans strive every tick of the game clock. Together, they rise up to score. Together, they achieve greater.

One year ago, Villanova set a new course designed to give the University's student-athletes an even stronger platform for success. Villanova announced that it would be a founding member of a refreshed BIG EAST Conference, one that would feature a foundation of schools with similar academic values, strong traditions and passionate supporters.

In addition to seven core schools—Villanova, DePaul University, Georgetown University, Marquette University, Providence College, St. John's University and Seton Hall University—the BIG EAST added Butler University, Creighton University and Xavier University. Additionally, the conference unveiled agreements with Fox Sports for national media coverage and with Madison Square Garden to continue hosting the men's basketball postseason tournament, the sport's premier conference event.

"Villanova student-athletes have always played with a great deal of respect and integrity for the game and for each other. This past year was about building upon that great legacy while being forward-looking and innovative," says Vince Nicastro, director of Athletics.



Men's Basketball captured the BIG EAST regular season trophy, as well as a berth in the NCAA tournament.



The Women's Outdoor Track and Field team was one of the many Villanova programs that celebrated BIG EAST championships this past year.



Samuel Ellison '14 CLAS, Men's Track and Field

Recipe for success

The results have been nothing short of spectacular. Villanova's teams won or competed for conference championships in sports in which the University traditionally had found success, and they challenged for titles in even more sports than ever.

The Men's Basketball team capped a successful season that included a regular season BIG EAST Championship and ranking among the nation's best programs. The Wildcats outlasted, shot and rebounded their way to a school record number of regular-season victories and another NCAA tournament appearance, the team's ninth in 10 seasons. The stellar effort earned Head Coach Jay Wright his third BIG EAST Coach of the Year honor since 2006.



The new soccer complex on West Campus

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—Vince Nicastro, director, Villanova Athletics

"Triple Crown" and beyond

Dominant. That's the only word to describe the performance of Villanova's Men's Track and Field in the past year. The team soared to conference Cross Country and Indoor Track and Field titles before wrapping up the spring season with a BIG EAST outdoor championship, its sixth.

"It was a special experience seeing the student-athletes coming together as one," says Marcus O'Sullivan, the Frank J. Kelly Endowed Track and Field Coach.

This marked the first time in the program's history that it completed this feat, dubbed the BIG EAST Triple Crown. As a result, the coaching staff was named the BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year. Leading the way for the Wildcats was Villanova's Male Student-Athlete of the Year Samuel Ellison '14 CLAS. The seven-time All-American and five-time BIG EAST champ is a standout student as well, earning a Fulbright Scholarship to continue his academic studies at the University of Birmingham in England. A prestigious academic honor, it represents a fitting conclusion to Ellison's incredible career at Villanova.

"He is the quintessential Villanova student-athlete and reflects the kinds of programs we have," O'Sullivan says.

Nova Nation answers call

By every metric, the University's alumni and supporters have been energized and excited by the first year in the BIG EAST. Attendance at events has been strong, and the Villanova Athletic Fund has soared to an all-time high.

One example of this alumni and friend support is reflected in the new soccer complex that was completed over the summer on West Campus, which will feature a practice-only field side by side with a new artificial turf game field. Donors have

come out to support the \$3 million project as essential to recruiting the finest talent in this soccer-rich region of the country. The excitement has reverberated through the tightly knit soccer community.

"This new surface is clearly the best in the conference," says Fran Kulas, who is in his first season as head coach of Women's Soccer. "We are so thankful to the administration, development office and donors. We feel this will not only separate us from the schools recruiting in the conference, but throughout the nation. It's a great time for Villanova soccer," he adds.

It's a great time for all of Villanova's athletic teams, because the Wildcats' storied tradition has positioned them for future success. Their accomplishments, as well as the success of the evolving BIG EAST Conference, become points of pride for Villanovans around the world and further strengthen the University's national reputation as an institution of academic and athletic leaders. ■

Villanova's BIG EAST Championships 2013-14

Men's Basketball
Regular Season

Men's Cross Country

Men's and Women's Indoor
Track and Field

Men's and Women's
Outdoor Track and Field

Women's Swimming

Reconnecting to the Villanova Experience

BY SHAWN PROCTOR

Back on campus with its iconic church spires tracing three points in the sky, thousands of classmates relive their shared memories. They reconnect to the experience at Villanova that helped launch their careers and ignite their passions. The atmosphere at Reunion, held June 5–8, reminds them of the professors, mentors, friends and classmates who made their years at Villanova—from that first campus visit to the moment they turned their tassels at Commencement—so special and formative.

Like the rich opportunities at the University, Reunion creates a personalized yet shared experience. Couples renew their vows at the chapel. Families tour the campus to marvel at how the University has grown and chat with the deans and University president about what is coming up next. Former classmates embrace at the family picnic and raise a toast together at the party in the evening. Amidst the music and revelry, they reminisce and celebrate the power of community surrounded by alumni who span the decades yet share the same values, passions and pride.

Some people say you can't go home again, but they have never seen Reunion at Villanova or felt the spirit that inspires Villanova. They haven't watched how easily hundreds of people can joyously come home once more as they renew their love of their alma mater.

It's still even more potent to hear their stories—how they have taken the foundation created at Villanova and built lives and careers that have inspired change in their field. Students who were challenged by the rigorous education in the classroom rose up to meet larger challenges.

Ultimately, Reunion Weekend is a strong reminder of the power of one. One campus and University. The power of each alumnus and alumna helping the world in one way, no matter how big or small. The power of being one community of leaders who work side by side and connect big ideas to make one shared tomorrow. ■

REUNION 2015: JUNE 4-7

A Mission to Inspire and Engage

VUAA President Tracy Setlock Brala '90 VSB plans to create new levels of alumni engagement

BY BETTY RUSSELL

A recent talk with an alumnus who graduated in 1945 reinforced what Tracy Setlock Brala '90 VSB already knew in her heart: The connection alumni feel to Villanova lasts a lifetime. Fostering that bond is one of Brala's top priorities as the newly elected president of the Villanova University Alumni Association Board of Directors.

"One of the things I hear constantly is that Villanova is a community," Brala says. "The pride and connection are there across every age group and demographic. It's amazing how alumni feel an instant link with other alumni even when they never knew each other at Villanova. One of the goals of the Alumni Association is to inspire alumni and parents of current students to become even more engaged with Villanova."

Brala says her commitment to Villanova started during her undergraduate years. She was captain of the varsity diving team and was involved in other activities, including the Blue Key Society, an active group that gives prospective students an inside view of the Villanova experience from students' perspective. Brala also met her husband, Patrick Brala '89 VSB, '07 MBA, at Villanova. The couple has two children, ages 15 and 12.

"It was at Villanova that I developed character, confidence and a leadership style. Those years really set the stage for my future," Brala says.

Brala went on to earn an MBA from the Wharton School. Today, she is the president of TSB Marketing and Strategy Consultants, where she creates marketing strategy for new product launches for companies such as Comcast. Previously, she worked at the Campbell Soup Co. and the Scott Paper Co./Kimberly Clark Corp.

GIVING BACK

Brala got involved with alumni activities

shortly after graduation. But she credits Patrick with showing her how to help even more. He was a member of the Alumni Association board from 2000 to 2006.

She followed his example and has been a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors for seven years, serving as president-elect for the past two years. Brala also shares her time and expertise with the Villanova community in other ways. She mentors current students, interviews high school students for scholarships, and serves as a guest lecturer and a speaker in panel discussions. She also is a member of the Friends of Villanova Swimming and Diving group. Since the Bralas live adjacent to Villanova, the University is part of their family life. They often can be seen on campus supporting student organizations and attending plays and other events. Their children are avid Wildcats fans.

"Villanova gave so much to me that I feel like it's important to give back. And the more I give, the more I want to give," she says.

Brala says she is "humbled and honored" to serve as president of the Alumni Association for the next two years. She developed a plan fittingly called NOVA that highlights four key initiatives she plans to focus on during her tenure:

Networking—Brala notes that the Alumni Association has made amazing strides over the past few years in networking with students and parents. She wants to expand professional and social networking opportunities.

One Villanova—The pride of undergraduate alumni is unmistakable. Brala wants to make sure that all alumni—including part-time, online and graduate students, as well as their parents—feel that they are an integral part of the Villanova community.

Value of Villanova—The Alumni Association will play a key role in helping support For the Greater Great®: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change. This campaign has a goal of raising \$600 million to help Villanova, a place that already is great, become even greater. "As members of the Alumni board, we need to be the Pied Piper of the alumni, encouraging each and every one we touch to give back to our esteemed institution," she says.

Always a Wildcat—There will also be a greater emphasis on reconnecting alumni to

"It was at Villanova that I developed character, confidence and a leadership style."

—Tracy Setlock Brala

the organizations and activities that meant so much to them during their time at Villanova. The Alumni Association is increasing the number of affinity organizations and groups that are based on common experiences or interests, such as college or degree programs, fraternities and sororities, and activities.

To help alumni stay connected, the Alumni Association hosts more than 500 events each year, including professional development activities, social events, academic speaking opportunities, Homecoming events and service opportunities.

"There is something for everyone no matter what their interests or where they live," Brala says.

"We are part of Villanova's legacy, and we can help secure that legacy for future generations." ■

“New Look” for Alumni Relations Will Help Energize Alumni

The time is right. Alumni are excited. The benefits are mutual.

What is this exciting development? It's the reorganization of the Villanova University Alumni Relations Office. To better engage alumni, students, parents and friends to become more active in the campus and worldwide community that is Villanova, the office is making some changes. Simple, yet well-thought-out “tweaks” will enhance communication, better support alumni chapters and encourage involvement in For the Greater Good®: The Villanova Campaign to Ignite Change.

“What we're really excited about is building on the foundation that we have in order to create more official channels in the Villanova Network. When we go out and meet with Villanovans, we hear that they love Villanova. It's our job to create connections with their alma mater,” says George R. Kolb '84 VSB, associate vice president for Alumni Relations.

These new connections will tap into the enthusiasm of the 116,000 alumni living in the United States and abroad by strategizing for long-term success. Five regional offices have opened in major metros, including New York; Washington, D.C.; Chicago; Boston; and Los Angeles. Leadership efforts have been deliberate in creating alignment between the Alumni Office and those staffs to allow the organization to work closely together and collaborate.

Villanova also has expanded connections to alumni through affinity programs, based on the activities that meant the most to them as students. “Whether it was a singing group, band trip or sports practice, this is a huge point of pride for alumni. There are so many memories. It's such a passionate group, and we're excited to support those programs for alumni,” Kolb says.

Kolb also points to campaign goals established for the first time by the Villanova University Alumni Association Board of Directors, including its intention to raise and surpass \$9 million through gifts from current, past and near-future members. This new goal, set by volunteer leaders, is proof of the board's enhanced role in the campaign, the power of planned giving and the can-do attitude that makes Villanovans distinctive.

Alumni are discovering this is a campaign in which everyone can and should participate, regardless of the size of his or her gift. Every person can help move the University closer to surpassing the ultimate goal of \$600 million, whether he or she is a current student or an alum celebrating 50 years, whether he or she is a parent of a student or a friend of the University.

To get involved, contact your local chapter or find it online at alumni.villanova.edu. ■



George R. Kolb '84 VSB, associate vice president for Alumni Relations, speaks to alumni and friends of Villanova at a recent soccer reception.

New Board Members Announced

Four outstanding alumni have been elected to the Villanova University Alumni Association (VUAA) Board of Directors, the governing body responsible for establishing the overall strategic direction of the VUAA. They symbolize vital additions that will help the VUAA continue its mission of engaging alumni and supporting the connection between alumni and the University.



Tracy Setlock Brala

Additionally, Tracy Setlock Brala '90 VSB begins a two-year term as the president of the Alumni Association. (See profile in the “Volunteer Spotlight.”) Terence P. Delaney '83 CLAS will serve as president-elect.



John Pund

John Pund, CPA, Esq., '78 VSB, '03 MBA, '09 LLM, of Newtown Square, Pa., is managing director of JLP & Associates LLC, a professional service firm specializing in finance counsel services to attorneys, courts and business owners. Prior to this, he was the chief financial officer and general counsel at Optical CrossLinks



Kerry Cooley Bruggemann

Inc. and a principal with Parente Randolph, the largest Pennsylvania-based CPA firm. He was a former chair of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Committee on Forensic and Litigation Services. Kerry Cooley Bruggemann, PE, LEED, AP, '06 COE, of Minneapolis-St. Paul, is a principal at Michaud Cooley Erickson, a consulting engineering firm in Minneapolis-St. Paul. She has worked in the consulting engineering field since 2006, and her background includes the design of HVAC and plumbing

systems for public, commercial, industrial, office and retail building projects.

She is a board member and former president of the Minnesota Society of Professional Engineers and also is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers.

Greta Kropp Gilbode '02 CLAS, of Merion Station, Pa., is the assistant director of PeriOperative Services Technical Operations at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Gilbode was selected for Penn Medicine's prestigious fellowship program, where she worked directly for the CEO of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and the chief operating officer of Penn Medicine for two years. Upon completion of the program, Gilbode was offered a position in the hospital's administration. In her current position Gilbode shares the responsibility for the management of non-nursing technical operating room staff and the daily operations for the hospital's inpatient and outpatient operating room facilities.



Greta Kropp Gilbode

A former captain of the Villanova Women's Rowing team, Gilbode is still connected to the program, volunteering her time to assist with the Knecht Cup Regatta.

Joe Lamack '87 COE, of Macungie, Pa., is the CO₂ general manager at Air Products and Chemicals Inc. Commissioned as an ensign in the US Navy through Villanova's Naval ROTC program, Lamack served on active duty with the Navy for six years. He retired as a captain in the Naval Reserves after serving for an additional 20 years. Lamack joined Air Products and Chemicals in 1993, and he has worked in several engineering, commercial and operations positions. He has worked principally at the company's world headquarters in Trexlertown, Pa. ■



Joe Lamack

Class Notes

VILLANOVA GRADUATES SHARE THEIR NEWS & UPDATES • IN MEMORIAM • FACULTY • STAFF

1950s

CLASS OF 1950
65th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

CLASS OF 1955
60th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

1960s

CLASS OF 1960
55th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

CLASS OF 1965
50th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

Bob DeLisa ’61 CLAS published the book *The Unforgettable Boss: The Seven Fundamentals of Managing and Motivating*, based on his 37 years of management consulting and executive coaching experience.

John Canuso Sr. ’63 COE was Villanova University’s 2013 Father Bill Atkinson, OSA Humanitarian Award recipient.

Armando V. Greco ’67 COE, executive director of the Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority, was honored by having its maintenance facility dedicated in his name in October 2013.

Richard Crawford ’68 VSB received the Defense of Freedom Medal in April for injuries sustained in an IED explosion in 2010. Additionally he was awarded the Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal in 2008 for his work with the Marines in Fal-lujah, Iraq. Crawford has worked with the Marines as an embedded law enforcement professional. He served as an adviser to Regimental Combat Team-6 in Iraq in 2007 and to Regimental Combat Team-2 in Afghanistan in 2010.

1970s

CLASS OF 1970
45th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

CLASS OF 1975
40th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

Wesley Mullen ’72 CLAS published the book *City Sketches*.

Bill Wurtz ’72 COE is president of EVAPCO-BLCT Dry Cooling in Bridgewater, N.J. Wurtz credits Edward McAssey, PhD, professor emeritus of Mechanical Engineering, and his thermodynamics classes for preparing him for a lifetime career involving heat transfer products.

Michael Cook ’73 VLS, co-chair of the Health Law practice at Liles Parker PLLC in Washington, D.C., recently served on the Transition Team for Health Care and as an adviser to Virginia Gov. Terry McAuliffe’s campaign. Cook also participated on the panel “In the Process of Fixing Health Care: Implementation of the Affordable Care Act,” sponsored by the *Administrative Law Review* at the Washington College of Law at American University.

Dominic A. Montileone, EdD, ’73 MA, professor of Business Administration and assistant vice president of Academic Affairs at Delaware Valley College in Doylestown, Pa., celebrated his retirement after more than 35 years of service in secondary and higher education teaching and administration. He was awarded professor emeritus status in Business Administration by the college.

Roy DeCaro ’74 VLS was selected to the 2014 Best Lawyers in America list for plaintiff personal injury litigation.

Kathy Tilghman ’74 CLAS published the book *Slaves to Freedom*.

Jack E. Riley ’75 VLS, a former assistant US attorney and a white-collar criminal defense attorney, joined Conrad O’Brien as a partner in the West Chester, Pa., office.

Eric E. Sterling ’76 VLS, president and co-founder of the Criminal Justice Policy Foundation, spoke about marijuana legislation at Drexel University School of Law.

Gaetan J. Alfano, JD, ’77 CLAS, ’80 VLS was named vice chair of the Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners. Alfano is a name partner in the law firm of Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti LLP.

Albert Colleluori ’77 MA retired after 41 years in Catholic education with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Camden, N.J. Throughout his career, Colleluori served as a teacher, counselor and assistant principal for Academics at Northeast Catholic High School, and as principal of St. John Neumann High School and Camden Catholic High School in Cherry Hill, N.J.

Joseph Gallen ’77 COE, an engineering manager, retired after 37 years with Honeywell, located in Fort Washington, Pa.

Joseph Viscuso, PE, PLS, ’77 MS, was promoted to senior vice president for Strategic Growth for Pennoni Associates.

1980s

CLASS OF 1980
35th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

CLASS OF 1985
30th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

Joseph McGrory ’80 VSB, an attorney with Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin PC,

addressed zoning hearing boards, planning commissions and newly elected supervisors at a Montgomery County Zoning Officers Association seminar on the topic of zoning law.

Judge Wendy Demchick-Alloy ’81 VLS, Stephen P. Imms Jr. ’82 VLS and Mary C. Pugh ’86 VLS spoke at the CLE seminar “The Art of Representing a Child in the Legal Arena.”

Kathleen D. Wilkinson ’81 VLS, immediate past chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association, was honored with the 2014 Gilbert Nerick Award at the annual seminar of the Conference of County Bar Leaders of the Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA) in State College, Pa. The award is presented to a member of the PBA who exhibits dedication and service to the leadership and promotion of the organized bar and its activities.

Thomas G. Wilkinson ’81 VLS, immediate past president of the Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA), moderated the panel “High Profile Cases in Media” at the PBA Civil Litigation Section Retreat in Bedford, Pa.

Jami Wintz McKeon ’81 VLS, partner and chair-elect at Morgan Lewis, was the keynote speaker at the annual Women’s Resource Center Leadership Luncheon in Philadelphia.

Jeffrey A. Lutsky ’82 VLS, managing partner at Stradley Ronon, was elected chair-elect of the Philadelphia Freedom Valley YMCA board of directors.

Kathleen A. Frederick ’83 VLS, of the state of Alaska’s Office of Elder Fraud and Assistance, was appointed chief administrative law judge by Alaska Gov. Sean Parnell.

Marcy N. Hart ’83 VLS joined Flaster/Greenberg PC as a shareholder.

Helen J. Streubert ’83 MSN was inaugurated as the seventh president of the College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown, N.J.

Maureen McAteer Smith ’84 CLAS was promoted to senior vice president, US Marketing, at Hasbro Inc., located in Providence, R.I.

Bernard M. Resnick ’86 VLS moderated and presented the International Association of Entertainment Lawyers Master Class “Knowing Your Fans—Keeping it Legal” at the 48th annual Midem Conference in Cannes, France.

Anne Roby, PhD, ’86 COE was promoted to senior vice president for Praxair Inc. and is responsible for Global Supply Systems, R&D, Global Market Development, Global Operations Excellence, Global Procurement, Sustainability and Safety, and Health and Environment.

Carl Sottosanti, Esq., ’86 VLS was promoted to senior vice president and general counsel at Penn National Gaming Inc. in Wyomissing, Pa. He will oversee the company’s legal and regulatory affairs.

Rick Grimaldi ’87 VLS, partner at Fisher & Phillips LLP, was elected to the board of directors for Philadelphia Industrial Development Corp., a public-private economic development partnership and a resource for business growth and development in Philadelphia.

Albert Mezzaroba ’87 CLAS was nominated to the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board by Gov. Tom Corbett.

Anthony F. Naccarato ’88 COE was promoted to president of O’Donnell & Naccarato Inc., a Philadelphia-based structural engineering firm.

Bruce Matez ’89 VLS, a family lawyer at Borger Matez PA in

Cherry Hill, N.J., was interviewed by Vicki Handfield, PsyD, on the Talk Exchange Radio program *Mind, Body, Spirit*. Matez discussed mediation and collaborative divorce and how each can be used as an alternative to traditional divorce litigation.

Jeannie McCrain Podest ’89 CLAS published the book *Lessons Learned: The Kindergarten Survival Guide for Parents*. The book shares her insights gained as a mother and teacher.

Cheryl Ricchini Mercurio ’89 VSB accepted a position with United Concordia Dental as a senior sales manager responsible for the New Jersey and New York market.

Martha Squaresky ’89 MA teaches at Milton Hershey School, located in Hershey, Pa., and published the book *A Spot on the Wall*, a story of the commitment, love and sacrifice experienced when a family has a special child.

1990s

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June 4–7, 2015

CLASS OF 1995
20th Reunion
June 4–7, 2015

Capt. Mike Curran ’91 CLAS and **Capt. Tim Noonan ’91 COE** are deployed together and serving at Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti. Curran and Noonan support Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa within their respective positions.

Elise A. Fialkowski ’91 VLS chaired the panel “Guess Who Is Coming to Campus—Government Site Visits, Audits and Inspections” at the NAFSA Region VIII Conference in Pittsburgh. Fialkowski is a partner at Klasko, Rulon, Stock & Seltzer LLP.



REMEMBERING A TRACK AND FIELD LEGEND

Frank Budd ’62 VSB, track and field star and member of the inaugural class of honorees on the Villanova Wall of Fame, passed away April 29. One of the University’s best athletes, Budd won three NCAA individual championships and two Penn Relays championships, and he represented the United States at the 1960 Summer Olympics. He tied or set six world records during his racing career.

As an undergraduate at Villanova, Budd was a member of the track and field team from 1960 to 1962. He won the outdoor national championship in the 100 yards as both a junior and a senior in 1961-62 while also capturing the 1961 title in the outdoor 200 yards. In each of those years Budd also helped lead the Wildcats to Championship of America titles in the 4x220-yard relay at the Penn Relays, including anchoring the 1962 winning team.

Despite never lining up for a single football play in college, Budd was chosen by the Philadelphia Eagles in the seventh round of the 1962 NFL draft. He went on to play wide receiver in the NFL for Philadelphia and Washington.

Carolyn R. Mirabile ’91 VLS, a partner at Weber Gallagher, presented the program “Top 10 Things to Look for in a Custody Evaluation to Make Your Cross Examination of the Evaluator Most Effective” to the Montgomery Bar Association Family Law section.

Charles Van Horn ’91 CLAS was named to the Top 100 Georgia Super Lawyers list. Van Horn was also selected for inclusion in the 2014 edition of The Best Lawyers in America for his work in commercial litigation.

Michael M. Ott, PhD, ’91 CLAS was promoted to vice

A PLATFORM FOR THE
COMMON GOOD

Lisa Tomasi '86 CLAS had always been passionate about helping her community, but it was when she began to consider how to ignite change nationally that she hit on a novel idea. Since people handle nearly everything online already, why not create a free platform to help nonprofits, charities and donors raise goods for their causes?

YouGiveGoods (www.yougivegoods.com), her innovative concept, takes care of the logistics of a charity drive—from coordination to delivery of goods—allowing organizations to create bigger campaigns more easily. The website also lists items that food banks, shelters and other organizations indicate are most needed. One of her campaigns included a food drive in partnership with Villanova's club sports teams, which raised more than 4,300 pounds of food for Philabundance in February.



Vincent Carita '95 MS was appointed vice president for Thornton Tomasetti's Property Loss Consulting practice.

Anne Giangiulio '95 CLAS and **John Haugh '96 CLAS** welcomed a boy.

Eric J. Schreiner '95 VLS, partner at Kleinbard, Bell & Brecker LLP, was appointed to the board of directors of Sky Community Partners Inc. The organization is a nonprofit providing opportunities to under-resourced communities through adult and child education, health and wellness, community engagement, and economic development programs.

Carl Kapes '97 COE teamed with Villanova University to host "Sanfilippo Syndrome Awareness Night" at the Men's Basketball game Jan. 20. Kapes is raising awareness and money for children suffering from Sanfilippo Syndrome, a rare and fatal genetic disorder.

Craig J. Fennie '93 COE, '96 MS was named a 2013 MacArthur Fellow.

Cmdr. Matthew M. Graham '93 COE retired from the Navy in a ceremony held at the United States Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

Elizabeth Havey '93 CLAS was appointed by Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Corbett to the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority Board. Her appointment was confirmed by the Pennsylvania Senate.

Daniel Kane '93 COE, his wife, **Kim Binder '93 COE**, and their three children are moving to Uganda, where they will work with Engineering Ministries International.

Robert C. Gerhard III '98 LLM moderated and spoke at a CLE seminar regarding current issues with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, emphasizing how best to work with the Montgomery County Assistance Office when Medical Assistance (Medicaid) long-term care benefits have been denied.

Jennifer Robinson '98 VLS, founder of Purposeful Networking, authored the book *The Happy Law Practice: Expert Strategies for Building Business While Maintaining Peace of Mind*.

Anne Sforzo Campbell '99 VSB welcomed a girl.

Kelly Weidner '99 CLAS recently opened the adoption

agency Haven Adoptions Inc. and is the executive director of the organization. The agency works to provide a fresh start, improve the lives of the families it works with and inspire change in the world of adoption.

2000s

CLASS OF 2000
15th Reunion
June 4-7, 2015

CLASS OF 2005
10th Reunion
June 4-7, 2015

Cara Capponi Amo, Esq., '00 CLAS welcomed a girl.

Nathan M. Cline '00 COE was named office director of Pennoni Associates in West Chester, Pa. He also serves as the township engineer for Concord Township, Delaware County, Pa., and the New Garden and East Goshen townships in Chester County, Pa.

Lauren Kattany '00 CON married Christopher Black.

Thomas Mastrobuoni '00 VSB welcomed a boy.

Helen H. Mountain '00 VLS, senior associate at Lamb McErlane, was elected to the executive committee of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Pennsylvania.

Katherine Carroll Burdge '01 CON was selected as a Johnson & Johnson School Health Leadership Fellow 2013 and presented the breakout session "The Wellness Revolution—A Way to Keep Children Active and Healthy for a Lifetime" at the National Association of

School Nurses Conference in San Antonio.

John Iannozzi '01 CLAS, '04 VLS was elected partner for the firm Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin PC.

Elizabeth McMahon Kaciubij '01 VSB welcomed a boy.

Rebecca Gray Latacz '02 CLAS welcomed a girl. In addition, Latacz was promoted to senior marketing manager for Pizza Hut Global's Latin America and Caribbean division.

Julie Saab '02 CLAS published the picture book *Little Lola* with her husband, illustrator David Gothard. It is the first in a series. The sequel is due to be released in summer 2015.

Kristin L. Walker '02 CLAS joined Hiscock & Barclay LLP as an associate in the Syracuse, N.Y., office.

Jennifer Willie Bukowski '02 VSB and **Michael Bukowski '02 VSB** welcomed a boy.

Tara Denton '03 VSB married Jason Ritchie.

Robert Lombardi '03 CLAS, Christopher Lombardi '05 VSB and **Matthew Lombardi '09 VSB** opened Lombardi Residential in Brick, N.J., which provides real estate design, construction, management and brokerage services.

Kimberly Hartman '04 CLAS welcomed a boy.

Jennifer Lippard Lalli '04 VSB and **Louis Lalli '04 CLAS** welcomed a girl.

Jennifer Rosick '04 VSB and **Michael Fusco '04 COE** welcomed a boy.

S. Graham Simmons '04 VLS, of Norris McLaughlin & Marcus, co-presented the workshop "Is Your Business the Next Target for Hackers? Protect Your Business From Cyber Liability Claims" in Allentown, Pa.

Joseph Sinisgalli '04 CLAS married Meghan Blom.

Adam L. Fernandez '05 VLS moderated the CLE seminar "Calculating Lost Profit Damages."

Frank Kalejta '05 COE welcomed a girl.

Joseph L. Linares, JD, '05 CLAS welcomed a girl. He also graduated from Rutgers School of Law–Newark in 2013.

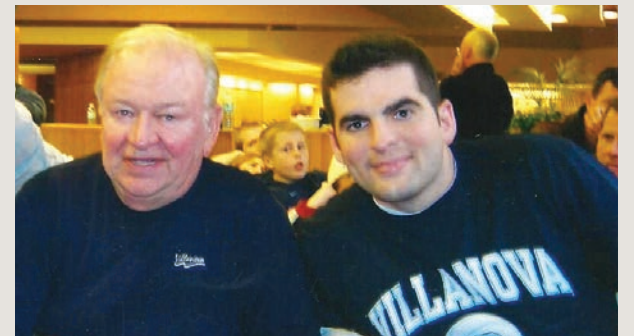
Christopher D. Antoni '06 MS was promoted to senior vice president of STV. He is the chief engineer and operations manager of the firm's Energy Services Division and its energy subsidiary STV Energy Services Inc.

Matt Bochanski '06 COE, '10 MS welcomed a boy.

Jonathan Zacharkiw '07 COE founded a company that designs, sells and installs emergency vehicle equipment, a venture inspired by his two-and-a-half years as a part-time firefighter.

Scott Davies '08 MBA is the founder and president of Velocity 1 LLC and was issued a US patent for his design of commoditized air navigation. It was contained in his company's research proposal exploring the transformation of US domestic air navigation from a federally rationed monopoly into a market-responsive commodity for the provision, exchange and transient consumption of navigable airspace. Davies and Velocity 1 acknowledge the early encouragement of Villanova University EMBA professors Jamshid Gharajedaghi; Michael Pagano, PhD; and Peter A. Zaleski, PhD. Velocity 1 also extends gratitude to **Russ Rosa '90 VSB**, QMax Technologies, for support during the initial stage of this protracted endeavor.

Erica Dolson '08 CLAS received a Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing (Nonfiction) from George Mason University.



FROM ONE VILLANOVAN TO ANOTHER

When Lapham-Hickey Steel Corporation purchased the assets of Industrial Spring Steel in November 2013, it was more than a merger of two companies. It was the formal sealing of a partnership connecting two generations of Villanovans—**John Maguire Jr. '61 VSB** and **Brian Hickey '01 VSB**.

Maguire was owner of Industrial Spring Steel in Philadelphia. Hickey is a general manager at Lapham-Hickey, headquartered in Chicago, where his father has been president for 38 years. Previously, the companies had been friendly competitors. Both men agree the acquisition was more than business, although it did strengthen the company's strategic position. It was a welcoming of Spring Steel's employees into a larger family.

Jonathan A. Scobie '08 VLS has joined the firm of Stevens & Lee in its Labor and Employment practice office in Princeton, N.J.

Erin Bloom '09 MBA married John Slattery.

John-Michael Staub '09 COE married Maggie Farah.

2010s

Jessica Borno '11 VLS, of Vetrano & Vetrano, presented "Spring Cleaning—Going Paperless, Closing Files, and Other Law Practice Management Issues" at a Montgomery Bar Association CLE seminar.

JC Lamb '11 CLAS, '14 MA, Annual Fund officer for Young

Alumni Giving, received his master's degree in Communication from Villanova University.

James Todd '13 CLAS joined the Peace Corps and will depart for Indonesia to begin training as an English education teacher, trainer and volunteer. He will live and work in the community to help make a difference by increasing local teachers' English language competency and conversational skills.

In Memoriam

1940s

Edward R. Frank '42 VSB, Sept. 16, 2008.

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THE STORY BEHIND
THE SILVER SCREEN

When moviegoers enjoy a blockbuster film, few likely consider the years of work required to take a film production from script to screen. But **Rozanna Tesler Fried '03 VLS** knows firsthand that, all special effects aside, in Hollywood there is often more than meets the eye.

As senior counsel in Legal Affairs at Twentieth Century Fox, one of the world's largest producers and distributors of motion pictures, she oversaw all aspects of the film development and production process, including acquisition and development of material and rights analysis; negotiation of talent deals; and management of all legal aspects of the development, production and post-production processes. In June 2013, Fried joined Constantin Film, a German film production and film distribution company, as vice president of Business and Legal Affairs.

As a JD candidate, she was a member of the *Villanova Law Review* and elected to the Order of the Coif. Following law school, Fried spent several years working at the international firms of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP and Loeb & Loeb in New York City before moving on to Twentieth Century Fox.



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Dominic Vitacco '47 CLAS,
July 16.

Robert A. Allwein '49 COE,
June 9.

Anthony Berenato '49 VSB,
April 1.

James Boyle '49 COE,
Jan. 15, 2013.

The Rev. Richard J. Dair '49 VSB,
May 21.

Henry J. Lopez '49 VSB,
May 13.

Alfred T. O'Brien '49 VSB,
May 1.

Thomas A. Patchell '49 COE,
April 17.

John S. Piontkowski Jr. '49 COE,
March 26.

Lewis A. Tomasco '49 VSB,
May 2.

Joseph Triolo '49 COE,
July 14.

Vincent Carlesimo '43 CLAS,
Feb. 24.

John E. Chamberlain '43 COE,
Dec. 22, 2013.

Howard J. Connolly '45 VSB,
June 12.

John W. Coyne '46 COE,
July 21.

Lawrence Pilot Jr. '47 COE,
March 5.

1950s

Carl F. Andreone '50 COE,
April 23.

Alfred L. Glaudel '50 COE,
May 22.

Frank J. McLaughlin Sr. '50 VSB,
June 23.

Angelo Rosselli '50 COE,
May 26.

Charles F. Sauermelch '50 COE,
April 8.

Frank T. Spera '50 COE,
Dec. 29, 2012.

Theodore Tiedeken '50 VSB,
July 15.

William Barth '51 VSB,
March 24, 2013.

Dewey R. Gargiulo '51 VSB,
May 9.

James L. Geist '51 COE,
May 3.

Francis E. Gobes '51 CLAS,
April 5.

The Rev. Donald X. Burt, OSA, PhD, '52 CLAS,
April 11.

Thomas C. Linahan '52 CLAS,
'59 MA, March 27.

Warren McDermott '52 VSB,
Feb. 17.

Thomas W. Roach '52 CLAS,
March 6, 2013.

Thomas F. Terranova '52 CLAS,
April 21.

Robert R. McCarron '53 VSB,
April 7.

Allan Stewart '53 VSB,
July 14.

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of less than \$250
totaled \$1.2 million
in the last fiscal year.

Burchard V. Martin, Esq., '54 VSB, '58 VLS,
April 5.

Lawrence McCarthy '54 VSB,
April 22.

John F. "Jack" Devine '55 VSB,
June 15.

Samuel P. Jennings '55 VSB,
April 24.

Donald R. McGahan '55 CLAS,
Oct. 25, 2013.

Nan B. Hechenberger, PhD, '56 CON,
March 6.

Charles R. Brockman '57 VSB,
April 7.

H. Thomas Curran '57 CLAS,
Feb. 28.

Joseph A. Dellar '57 VSB,
March 4.

William Hansbury '57 VSB,
March 12.

Charles Martin '57 VSB,
April 24, 2013.

Eugene P. R zodkiewicz '57 COE,
May 7.

John Flynn '58 VSB,
May 2.

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Villanovans know that education opens doors and provides a catalyst for success in the future. That is why after volunteering in Ecuador as an undergraduate **Beth Awalt '10 CLAS** was inspired to co-found The Starfish Foundation in 2011. The nonprofit organization provides scholarships and mentoring to students living in extreme poverty in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Since its inception, The Starfish Foundation has partnered with four graduating classes at Villanova for fundraising, social media and database assistance. It also has worked with Business Without Borders at Villanova and welcomed student volunteers from the University both in the United States and Ecuador. Awalt and The Starfish Foundation's goal is to ensure that Ecuadorian children who are motivated will have the resources to complete post-secondary education and become the leaders of tomorrow.



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March 29.

Richard Deasy '59 COE,
March 1, 2013.

Col. Joseph Nardo '59 CLAS,
June 30.

1960s

James Hubbert '60 VSB,
March 12.

James D. Schreiber '60 VSB,
May 27.

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April 6.

Richard H. Walsh '60 VSB,
Jan. 26.

Joseph Farley '61 VSB,
May 31.

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THE REV. T. SHAWN
TRACY, OSA, '63 CLAS



The Rev. Thomas Shawn Tracy, OSA, '63 CLAS passed away July 20. From 1975 to 1995 Father Tracy served as director of Campus Ministry. At the time of his death, he was a member of the Villanova University Board of Trustees, as well as board member and chaplain of the Villanova University Alumni Association.

In 1975, when Father Tracy was assigned to the Campus Ministry Office at Villanova University, he brought with him a communal perspective, deep spirituality and rebel drive for the peace and justice movement. His 1960s hippie-folk-poet influences and talent for presenting Scripture and Augustinian values in his own music blended well with vibrant student Masses and Campus Ministry work at Villanova. It was here, at seminarian and student Masses, that Father Tracy began working with Dan Mason '78 CLAS, a singer-songwriter and musician. Over the next 39 years they would co-produce three recordings of the He Shall Be Peace ensemble and four more under the group's new name, Sanctuary.

Father Tracy introduced Villanova staff and students to Handicapped Encounter Christ (HEC), a program that offers retreats for able and disabled persons. He wrote songs for the retreats, including "Spirit Song," "The Stone Rejected" and "If I Had Wings." Jeannie Knowlton, a member of HEC, says, "Father Tracy's music gives participants a feeling of joy—that there are no barriers to their worship."

Father Tracy became a passionate justice advocate for accessibility to campus buildings and churches. When there were delays in constructing access ramps from the parking lot to campus, Father Tracy, in the dead of night, laid asphalt ramps that were ready for use by morning.

Music was Father Tracy's river, and the people drawn to it were his life. His uplifting funeral brought together hundreds of diverse people. Each person had his or her own story, his or her own connection to this Augustinian friar and priest. People spoke about how much Father Tracy had done for them, but before he died, Father Tracy said that the people he served were his wings. Perhaps Father Tracy best summed up his own epitaph and message in the chorus of one of his songs: "If I had wings, I could fly. You do have wings; you are different. Thanks be to God."

—Teddie Gallagher
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Patrick A. O'Malley '64 VSB, April 5.

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Ronald Bannister '65 MS, July 7.

Sister M. Rayangela Czarnota '65 CLAS, May 20.

The Rev. Michael Derbish '65 MS, Dec. 2, 2012.

James McKenzie '65 VSB, Feb. 28, 2013.

Gerard O'Connell '65 VSB, March 21.

Harold M. Swiggett '65 MA, March 21.

The Rev. Monsignor David F. Budney '66 MS, March 30.

Robert J. Davis '66 MA, April 19.

Harold I. Gregg '66 COE, May 23, 2013.

Bruce McCaffrey '66 VSB, Feb. 25.

Roberta Lorraine Demito '67 MA, April 23.

Joseph A. Ratkovic, PhD, '67 COE, April 4, 2012.

Sister Ursula Hughes, IHM, '68, June 21.

James Ronald LoPresto '68 MS, April 6.

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John J. Gulluscio '69 CLAS, April 29.

The Rev. Edson Wood, OSA, '69 CLAS, April 9.

1970s

Robert R. Franks '70 CLAS, May 22.

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Denis J. Carlson '77 VSB, March 4.

Joyce K Hackman '77 MS, May 24.

Peter M. Fitzsimmons '78 VSB, March 25, 2010.

Francis L. McCarthy '78 MS, Feb. 16.

Henry J. Gaab '79 CLAS, May 2.

1980s

Anthony Perrella '80 VSB, July 6.

Claire Betz '81 CLAS, Feb. 6.

Sister Rose Mary Collins, SSJ, '81 MA, May 25.

Richard J. Sestak, Esq., '81 VSB, '84 VLS, April 23.

Margaret M. Walters '81 MA, May 8.

Richard K. Scholl '82 MS, March 26.

Claire E. Mohan '83 CLAS, April 22.

Michael T. Meuleners '85 MA, June 10.

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Richard Carbo '89 MS, July 16.

Stewart Oksenhorn '89 VLS, Feb. 2.

1990s

Roger M. Fey '90 COE, March 11.

Michael Duerbeck '91 COE, June 6.

David Curran '92 COE, Feb. 28.

Patrick J. Huvane '93 COE, June 24.

Peter J. Burke Jr. '97 MA, April 18.

Brian G. Lenhard '98 VSB, March 13.

2000s

Scott W. Davis '02 VLS, March 8.

Robert J. Orange '11 COE, April 10.

Faculty

Benedict A. Paparella, PhD, April 16.

Donald E.G. Shaw, PhD, June 13.

Friends

Todd Bjorklund, July 19.

Correction

Jennifer Riley '99 CLAS, '01 MA was 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.



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CAROLYN EVERSON

Carolyn Everson '93 CLAS, Facebook vice president, mother of twins, board member, philanthropist, and one of Bloomberg TV's "Women to Watch" and Fortune magazine's "40 Under 40," talks to Villanova Magazine.

What is your role at Facebook?

I have the privilege of leading the teams at Facebook and Instagram that are responsible for working with the world's largest marketers and agencies, helping them use our platforms to drive their businesses.

Why Villanova University?

I visited 13 schools. At Villanova, I was wowed by the sense of community and the excitement. (It helped that I visited on St. Patrick's Day!) I was offered a Presidential Scholarship, which proved to be a wonderful opportunity. I turned down some great offers from prestigious schools because Villanova was the real deal—academically rigorous, values-centered and strong on community.

Tell us about your Villanova experience.

The experience was rock solid. Villanova played a significant role in my personal development. I was in the Honors Program, which challenged me academically, and I was involved in giving back through community service. That had always been important to me, and it is now something my husband and I value and instill in our girls. I was able to grow spiritually through a lot of opportunities, including the popular 10 p.m. Mass. And I had fun and support, especially as a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, which was a great group of girls. Villanova was the whole package.

Did Villanova prepare you for your career?

Yes. I got an excellent education infused with values and that sense of community that is so strong at Villanova. Through the Honors Program, with its small, intense classes, I learned to think critically, debate ideas and thoroughly know my material. I had to develop my thesis and defend it. In addition, I pursued meaningful research. Being able to conduct faculty-sponsored research with Drs. Gallagher and Jones—and then publish that research as an undergraduate—was an invaluable experience and made a lasting impact on me. It was also a distinguishing factor when I interviewed for jobs post-Villanova.

You've been a vocal advocate for women in business. How do you manage it all?

I strive to integrate the two worlds, not to separate them. This is the advice I received when I started out, and it's been a very effective tool. It's allowed me to be a better mom and a better business person. I even take my girls on a business trip about once a quarter. Being a woman is an advantage in business, even more so in technology because there are not enough of us.

What advice do you have for young Villanovans just starting their career?

Have a plan and write it down. It doesn't need to be 10 years; it can be five years or even one year. But map out where you want to be in your professional life, your personal life, and how you want to give back to the community. Use that as a guide, an inspiration and a tool to hold yourself accountable for achieving what you may have thought was impossible. ■



SNAPSHOT

Carolyn Everson graduated from Villanova summa cum laude and earned an MBA from Harvard University, where she was a Baker Scholar. Prior to Facebook, Carolyn was the corporate vice president of Microsoft's Global Advertising Sales and Trade Marketing teams. She also spent seven years at MTV Networks.

She and her husband, Doug, are active in philanthropic work and strive to instill that sense of giving back in their twin daughters, Taylor and Kennedy. The girls have joined them on service trips across the globe, including a trip to Kenya with Free the Children (pictured above).