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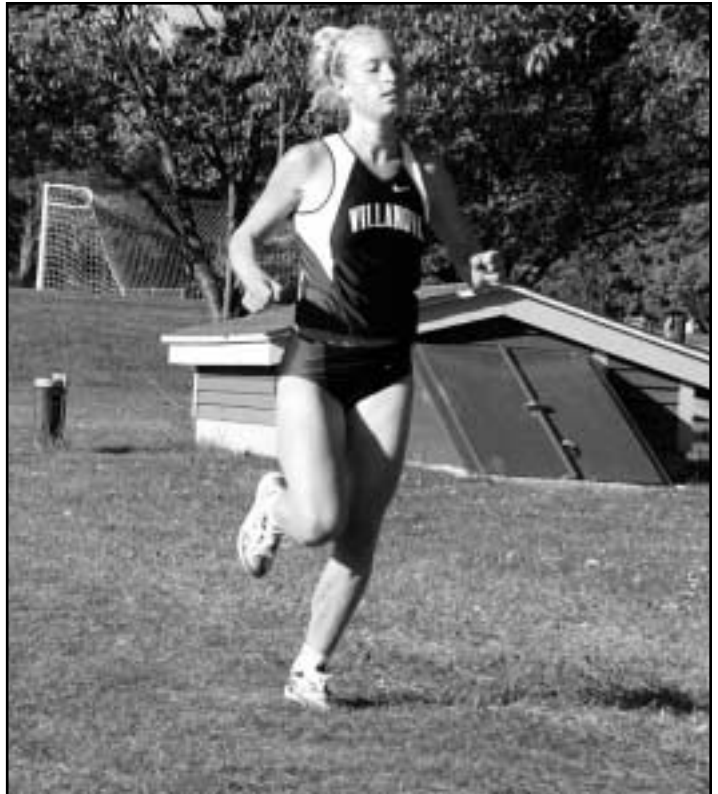
2002 CROSS COUNTRY REVIEW

For decades, the Villanova University women's cross-country team has been synonymous with success, and the 2002 season was no different. The Wildcats enjoyed a tremendous season in which they finished in the top ten in every competition, highlighted by a third place Big East finish and an eighth place finish at the NCAA Championships.

Villanova led off the season on September 20 with a four-mile meet against fellow Main Line rival Haverford College. The women swept the top five positions, with sophomore Ioana Parusheva finishing first. Junior Carre Joyce finished 30 seconds behind, while freshman Bridget Akard tallied a third-place finish. Kristy Smith and Liz Gesel rounded out the top finishers in fourth and fifth respectively.

The weekend of October 5, the Wildcats competed on the NCAA Championship course at Indiana State Invitational. In Indiana, the 'Cats raced to a third place finish behind another fine showing from Parusheva. She finished third overall, only five seconds behind the top finisher. Sophomore Kalin Toedebusch and freshman Marina Muncan also ran well for the 'Cats, finishing just three seconds apart in fifth and sixth place respectively.

The following weekend, Villanova traveled to University Park, Pa. to compete in the Penn State National Women's Collegiate Invitational. The Wildcats used a complete team effort to race to a second place finish, narrowly missing a victory over fellow Big East foe Providence. Parusheva led the 'Cats with a fourth place finish. Toedebusch finished 10th, eight seconds ahead of teammate Rebecca Mitchell who crossed the line in 11th. Gesel and Akard also ran strong races, finishing in 22nd and 27th places, respectively.



Sophomore Kalin Toedebusch will be an integral member of the Wildcat cross country team in 2002.



Ioana Parusheva is expected to be one of the team's top performers in 2002.

Looking to better last season's fifth place finish, the Wildcats traveled to Boston, Mass., on Nov. 1 to compete in the Big East Championships. Weeks of hard work and preparation paid off, as Villanova placed third. Illustrating their depth and balance, all Villanova runners placed within the top 50. Parusheva led the 'Cats with an eighth place finish, while Muncan crossed the line in 11th place. Toedebusch and Mitchell also turned in fine races, finishing in 19th and 21st place. Rounding out the Villanova finishers were Carre Joyce in 29th, Gesel in 32nd and Smith crossing the line in 42nd place.

Continuing their quest for a bid to the NCAA Championships, the Wildcats competed in the NCAA Regional meet held at the Canaan Valley Golf Course in Davis, W.V. The Wildcats recorded another impressive showing, finishing second overall and earning a trip to the NCAA Championship meet. Villanova also had six runners finish within the top 20. The rookie Muncan led the way, finishing in fourth place. She was followed by Toedebusch in 10th, Parusheva in 14th, Mitchell in 16th, Joyce in 17th and Gesel in 18th.

On November 25, Villanova traveled to Indiana State for the NCAA Championships. The Wildcats ran to an eighth place finish, behind solid races from Muncan (35th), Parusheva (44th) and Toedebusch (64th). The weekend was filled with promise for Villanova, as the team had not cracked the top 20 in four years.

With a talented, young nucleus intact, the Villanova women's cross country team has again established itself as a national power. The Wildcats will return all of their top performers in 2003 and with another season's worth of experience to its credit, head coach Gina Procaccio has a solid foundation to build upon for years to come.



2002 CROSS COUNTRY ROSTER



Villanova University 2002 women's cross country team.

2002 VILLANOVA WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY ROSTER

NAME	CL	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Bridget Akard	Fr.	Carmel, Ind./Cathedral
Holly Cosnett	So.	Haddenfield, N.J./Haddenfield Memorial
Claudine Evangelista	Jr.	Laurel Springs, N.J./Triton
Elizabeth Gesel	Fr.	Manchester, N.H./Manchester Central
Carre Joyce	Jr.	Charleston, S.C./Summerville
Juliette Kenny	So.	Rye, N.Y./Rye
Rebecca Mitchell	Jr.	Geneva, Ill./Geneva
Marina Muncan	Fr.	Pancevo, Yugoslavia/Chemistry
Ioana Parusheva	So.	Sliven, Bulgaria/Dimitar Riohov
Sarah Scarfe	So.	Los Angeles, Calif./Campbell Hall
Kirsty Smith	So.	North Vancouver, BC/Argyle Secondary
Colleen Taylor	So.	Wilmington, Del./Ursuline Academy
Kalin Toedebusch	So.	Rockford, Mich./Rockford

Head Coach: Gina Procaccio
Assistant Coach: Carmen Douma-Hussar



CROSS COUNTRY TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

10-TIME BIG EAST TEAM CHAMPIONS

- 1985
- 1986
- 1987
- 1989
- 1990
- 1991
- 1992
- 1993
- 1994
- 1998

BIG EAST INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

- 1984 - Mary Ellen McGowan
- 1986 - Vicki Huber
- 1987 - Vicki Huber
- 1989 - Vicki Huber
- 1990 - Nnenna Lynch
- 1991 - Sonia O'Sullivan
- 1992 - Carole Zajac
- 1997 - Carrie Tollefson
- 1999 - Carmen Douma
- 2000 - Ann McGranahan

DID YOU KNOW...

- Villanova has won more NCAA women's cross country championships than any other program. The next highest team has won four titles.
- Villanova has captured seven of the last 12 NCAA women's cross country titles.
- A Villanova woman has won the NCAA individual cross country crown on seven occasions, including a streak of six-straight years from 1989-1994.
- Every Villanova women's cross country runner was a member of a National Championship team in the 1990's.
- Two Villanova cross country standouts (Nnenna Lynch/Becky Spies) were named Rhodes Scholars.

SEVEN-TIME NCAA TEAM CHAMPIONS

- 1989
- 1990
- 1991
- 1992
- 1993
- 1994
- 1998

NCAA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

- 1989 - Vicki Huber
- 1990 - Sonia O'Sullivan
- 1991 - Sonia O'Sullivan
- 1992 - Carole Zajac
- 1993 - Carole Zajac
- 1994 - Jen Rhines
- 1997 - Carrie Tollefson

CROSS COUNTRY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1989 - VILLANOVA 99 points; Vicki Huber (1), Kathy Franey (12), Sonia O'Sullivan (26), Kim Certain (50), Cheri Goddard (56), Kate Fonshell (83), Nnenna Lynch (182).

The Wildcats had gone through the 1989 season undefeated and led by Olympian Vicki Huber, but the 'Cats had never won an NCAA crown in any women's sport, so head coach "Uncle Marty" Stern's squad was taking nothing for granted. When it was over, Villanova had captured the school's first NCAA Championship on the women's side in easy fashion as Kentucky was a distant runner-up 69 points back in Annapolis, Md. Huber completed her career with her eighth NCAA Individual title, while the other senior on this record-setting team, Kathy Franey, was Villanova's second finisher in 12th place. But behind the senior leadership were young runners who gave hope to more championships with Sonia O'Sullivan (sophomore eligibility) and freshmen Cheri Goddard and Nnenna Lynch.

1990 - VILLANOVA 82 points; Sonia O'Sullivan (1), Carole Zajac (14), Kate Fonshell (25), Cheri Goddard (28), Nnenna Lynch (38), Carol Haux (42), Michele Torelli (98).

On paper the Wildcats looked dominant in 1990, but among their top five runners were two sophomores and a freshman. Would inexperience and youth hurt the Wildcats this year in Knoxville, Tenn? Apparently not, as Villanova rolled to the largest margin of victory in NCAA Women's Cross Country history with a 90 point cushion over runner-up Providence. Sonia O'Sullivan claimed the individual honors, but it was Villanova's team effort that was most impressive. The first six Wildcats finished within 1:04 of each other and the second through sixth runners were only 23 seconds apart. Freshman Carole Zajac had an impressive debut, finishing 14th overall. With Kate Fonshell the only senior on the squad, things again looked good for the future.



Vicki Huber garnered first place honors to lead the Wildcats to their first national championship.



The Wildcats won their first NCAA Championship of the 1990's at the NCAA meet held in Knoxville, Tenn.



CROSS COUNTRY NCAA CHAMPIONS

1991 - VILLANOVA 85 points; Sonia O'Sullivan (1), Carole Zajac (2), Nnenna Lynch (12), Cheri Goddard (31), Carol Haux (68), Michele Torelli (92), Chris Gentile (104).

The toughest competition Villanova faced this day in Tucson, Arizona was from themselves. The Wildcats cruised to their third straight NCAA Championship by 83 points over Arkansas, but the most competitive battle was between two 'Cats for the individual title. Sophomore Carole Zajac led throughout most of the race, but Sonia O'Sullivan refused to be defeated in her final collegiate race and rallied late to pass Zajac and claim the win. O'Sullivan joined Betty Springs of North Carolina State (1981 and 1983) in becoming only the second woman to win two NCAA Cross Country titles, but the first to win in consecutive years. Zajac established herself as the heir apparent to O'Sullivan's title with a second place finish in the heat. The only negative of the meet was that only Zajac and juniors Nnenna Lynch and Cheri Goddard would return for 1992.



Sonia O'Sullivan and Carole Zajac went one-two to help the Wildcats claim their third-straight national championship.

1992 - VILLANOVA 123 points; Carole Zajac (1), Nnenna Lynch (3), Cheri Goddard (7), Becky Spies (60), Megan Flowers (87), Jen Rhines (98), Irene Ruopoli (111).

This was the year that people felt the Wildcats were finally vulnerable. Behind junior Carole Zajac and seniors Nnenna Lynch and Cheri Goddard was inexperience, a sophomore and two freshmen who had never run in an NCAA Championship. The front three did their jobs to perfection as they were completely dominant. Zajac easily continued the Villanova string of individual champions, Lynch finished third and Goddard seventh. Now they had to wait as sophomore Becky Spies and freshmen Megan Flowers and Jen Rhines raced to the finish. Spies finished 60th and Flowers was 87th. Villanova finished with 123 points to edge Arkansas' 130 and Georgetown's 131. It was also the highest score to ever win the NCAA Championship. Lynch and Goddard completed their careers with four NCAA Championships and Villanova was undefeated during their four seasons on the Main Line.



Carole Zajac became the third Villanova individual in four years to win a national title as the Wildcats tallied another title.

1993 - VILLANOVA 66 points; Carole Zajac (1), Jen Rhines (2), Becky Spies (7), Tosha Woodward (31), Emer Molloy (48), Stacy Robinson (155).

For the second year in a row, people saw an opportunity to end the Wildcats' remarkable reign. They returned only three runners from a team that had posted their high score of the four championships and only one of the top three runners. The fourth runner all year was a junior half-miler who had never run a cross country race in her life entering that season. But the race was held this year at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., just one hour from Villanova. If the 'Cats ever needed a home-course advantage the time was now. This meet was even closer than the previous year's, as five points separated Villanova and Arkansas. But the situation was much different as Villanova's score of 66 points was the lowest of all their championship teams. The Wildcats and the Razorbacks were so dominant that they combined for six of the top nine finishers in the race. For the second time in three years, Villanova took the top two spots, as Carole Zajac won her second straight title and sophomore Jen Rhines was second, while Becky Spies finished seventh. The teams were so evenly matched that the score was tied after four runners and each team's final scorer would determine the national champion. Villanova's Emer Molloy finished strongly and crossed the line two seconds and five places ahead of Arkansas' fifth runner for the Wildcats' fifth straight title.



Villanova edged out Arkansas to claim its fifth-straight national championship in 1993 in a meet held at Lehigh University.

1994 - VILLANOVA 75 points; Jen Rhines (1), Becky Spies (3), Krestena Sullivan (21), Tosha Woodward (23), Emer Molloy (54), Stacy Robinson (69), Cara Salibrici (173).

In 1994, not only did people think Villanova was vulnerable after five straight crowns, but Arkansas was called the pre-meet favorite. The Razorbacks had defeated the Wildcats earlier in the season, ending a 36 meet winning streak that stretched over five years, and the race was being run on Arkansas' home course in Prairie Grove, Ark., just 10 miles from their campus. On top of all that, the Wildcats were now being led by first-year head coach John Marshall. The setting was perfect for Arkansas after three straight runner-up finishes - make that too perfect. Villanova went out and ran a perfect race and their 75 points beat runner-up Michigan by 33 as Arkansas was third. Jen Rhines made it the sixth year in a row that a Villanovan has won the individual title, and Becky Spies was third. Sophomore Krestena Sullivan and seniors Tosha Woodward and Emer Molloy rounded out the scoring as Villanova captured championship number six.

1998 - VILLANOVA 106 points; Carrie Tollefson (11), Sarah-Vance Goodman (12), Kristen Nicolini (17), Carmen Douma (21), Kristine Jost (69), Ann McGranahan (81), Lony'e Johnson (245).

On Nov. 23, 1998, at the Rim Rock Farm Course in Lawrence, Kan., the Villanova women's cross country team won its seventh NCAA Cross Country Championship in the last 10 years. It had been four years since the Wildcats had won the championship and with a preseason ranking of 26th it looked like the Wildcats were poised for a fifth-straight year without win. However, the 1998 Wildcats would not be denied. Led by Carrie Tollefson, the defending NCAA individual cross country champion, Villanova was impressive in placing four runners in the top 21. Krissy Jost's 69th place finish gave Villanova 106 points which was just enough to hold off BYU (110) and Stanford (111). The meet was the closest three-way team battle in history of NCAA cross country competition. With this championship, every Wildcat cross country team member since 1989 leaves Villanova with at least one NCAA Championship ring.



2002-03 TRACK & FIELD OUTLOOK

The Villanova University women's track & field team enters the 2002-03 with high expectations. With a good mix of experienced performers and talented young athletes, the Wildcats should be a force in a number of events in both the indoor and outdoor seasons.

Villanova looks to have its most depth in the middle distance events. Leading the way is junior Rebecca Mitchell (Geneva, Ill.) and sophomore Ioana Parusheva (Sliven, Bulgaria). A consistent scorer at the Big East meet, Mitchell will be looking to step-up and score on the national scene in 2002-03. Parusheva gained valuable experience last year and appears ready to garner accolades on the national scene. Sophomores Holly Cosnett (Haddonfield, N.J.) and Colleen Taylor (Wilmington, Del.) are poised for a big year and are aiming to make a name for themselves nationally. Two juniors who will be looked upon to make a contribution this year will be Claudine Evangelista (Laurel Springs, N.J.) and Tricia Taylor (Wilmington, Del.). Evangelista scored in the Big East indoor meet last year, while Taylor looks to have success in the 800m after redshirting last year. A newcomer that head coach Gina Procaccio is expecting big things from this year is freshman Marina Muncan (Pancavo, Yugoslavia). A top junior in her native Yugoslavia, Muncan is expected to make an immediate impact on the track as she did in cross country. Adding depth to the middle distance events will be sophomores Kirsty Smith (Vancouver, B.C.) and Juliette Kenny (Rye, N.Y.).

Leading the way in the distance events will be the sophomore duo of and Kalin Toedebusch (Rockford, Mich.) and junior Carre Joyce (Charleston, S.C.). Toedebusch is coming off a strong rookie campaign where she was a Big East scorer both indoor and outdoor. Toedebusch is looking for national prominence this year. Joyce stepped it up and grabbed second place in the steeplechase at the Big East meet a season ago and is looking to improve upon that performance. Joining Joyce in the steeplechase is freshman Liz Gesel (Manchester, N.H.). Gesel, who is the national high school record holder in the 2000m steeplechase, should make an immediate impact in that event. Freshman Bridget Akard (Caramel, Ind.) will add depth to the distance events.



Nicole Bridgwood is expected to lead the sprint contingent in 2002-2003.



Christine Heffernan will lead Villanova in the field events this year.

A young Wildcat sprint team will be led this season by sophomore Nicole Bridgwood (Bohemia, N.Y.) who was a member of the NCAA DMR relay team a year ago. New additions Yolanda Malcolm (Brentwood, N.Y.) and Mette Svarrer (Copenhagen, Denmark) will look to add depth to the group and should do well in maintaining Villanova's presence in the short hurdles. The relay teams should be strengthened with the return of Tricia Taylor (Wilmington, Del.). Senior Jocelyn Fontaine (Boothwyn, Pa.) and junior Melanie Rhoden (Ewing, N.J.) should add a competitive edge to the relay events.

In the throwing events, the Wildcats will be led by senior Christine Heffernan (Springfield, Pa.) who is expected to compete in four events at the Big East meet and aim for a spot at the NCAA meet in the javelin. Sophomore Jamie Stiger should also be a strong contributor in the javelin for the 'Cats. In the pole vault event, big things are expected out of sophomore Michelle Ezzie (Drexel Hill, Pa.) who is coming off a fine freshman season. Senior Sylvia Taggart (N. Richland Hills, Tex.) was a Big East qualifier in both the indoor and outdoor season last year and looks vastly improved entering the 2003 season.



2002-03 TRACK & FIELD ROSTER



Villanova University 2002-2003 track & field team.

2002-03 VILLANOVA WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD ROSTER

NAME	CL	EVENT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Bridget Akard	Fr.	CC/Middle Distance	Carmel, Ind./Cathedral
Vanessa Beebe	So.	Shot/Discus	Mendham, N.J./West Morris Mendham
Nicole Bridgwood	So.	Sprints	Bohemia, N.Y./Connetquot
Sherian Byam	So.	Sprints	Brooklyn, N.Y./Paul Robeson
Holly Cosnett	So.	Middle Distance	Haddonfield, N.J./Haddonfield Memorial
Claudine Evangelista	Jr.	CC/Middle Distance	Laurel Springs, N.J./Triton
Michelle Ezzie	So.	Pole Vault	Drexel Hill, Pa./Upper Darby
Jocelyn Fontaine	Sr.	Middle Distance	Boothwyn, Pa./Chichester
Elizabeth Gesel	Fr.	CC/Middle Distance	Manchester, N.H./Manchester Central
Christine Heffernan	Sr.	Throws	Springfield, Pa./Springfield
Carre Joyce	Jr.	CC/Distance	Charleston, S.C./Summerville
Juliette Kenny	So.	CC/Distance	Rye, N.Y./Rye
Alison Kobel	Sr.	Thrower	Mountainside, N.J./Governor Livingston
Lauren Kobel	Sr.	Thrower	Mountainside, N.J./Governor Livingston
Yolanda Malcolm	Fr.	Sprints/Jumps	Brentwood, N.Y./Brentwood
Rebecca Mitchell	Jr.	CC/Middle Distance	Geneva, Ill./Geneva
Marina Muncan	Fr.	CC/Middle Distance	Pancavo, Yugoslavia/Chemistry
Ioana Parasheva	So.	CC/Distance	Sliven, Bulgaria/Dimitar Riohov
Melanie Rhoden	Jr.	Sprints/Hurdles	Ewing, N.J./Ewing
Grace Rodden	Jr.	CC/Distance	Spofford, N.H./Keene
Sarah Scarfe	So.	CC/Distance	Los Angeles, Calif./Campbell Hall
Abby Smagula	Jr.	Pole Vault	Bedford, N.H./Manchester West
Kirsty Smith	So.	CC/Distance	North Vancouver, BC/Argyle Secondary
Jamie Stiger	So.	Javelin	Chester, N.J./West Morris Mendham
Mette Svarrer	Jr.	Sprints/Hurdles	Copenhagen, Denmark/Esbjerg Handelsskole
Sylvia Taggart	Sr.	Throws	N. Richland Hills, Tex./Richland
Colleen Taylor	So.	CC/Distance	Wilmington, Del./Ursuline Academy
Patricia Taylor	Jr.	Middle Distance	Wilmington, Del./Ursuline Academy
Kalin Toedebusch	So.	CC/Distance	Rockford, Mich./Rockford
Lia Torre	Fr.	Jumps	Ho Ho Kus, N.J./Ho Ho Kus

Head Coach: Gina Procaccio



HEAD COACH GINA PROCACCIO



A new era in Villanova women's track & field began on June 7, 2000 when Gina Procaccio was named the sixth head coach in the program's history. Now entering her third year, Procaccio is the first female head coach in the history of Villanova women's track & field.

"When I got into coaching, I knew someday I wanted to be a head coach. I think it is every coach's dream to coach at their alma mater," said Procaccio. "This is truly a dream that I never imagined would come true."

Having run at Villanova and served as an assistant on the Main Line for five seasons (1994-97, 1998-2000) Procaccio is well aware of the tradition of excellence that has been established. In fact, Procaccio has been

very instrumenatal in helping Wildcat student-athletes make a name for themselves on the national scene, including helping the Villanova women to NCAA cross country titles in 1994 and 1998. Over the last four years, Procaccio has guided Villanova distance runners to five NCAA individual championships and All-American honors on 13 occasions. In 1999-2000, she was a major factor in leading the Wildcat women to both the Big East Conference indoor and outdoor team championships. In 2000-2001, she added two more athletes to her list of Big East Champions with Ann McGranahan winning the cross country title and Rebecca Mitchell winning the indoor 1,000m. All total during her Villanova coaching career, Procaccio has coached eight different runners to All-American distinction 40 times, seven individuals to Big East Championships 24 times, and three runners to National Championships nine times.

A 1987 graduate of Villanova, Procaccio made her mark on Villanova's record book despite only one year of running after transferring from the University of Florida. In her senior season on the Main Line, she placed fifth in the NCAA 1000m and she helped set Collegiate, American and World records as part of the 3,200m relay (8:24.77) and Distance Medley (11:00.76) relay teams.

After her Villanova career, Procaccio went on to run successfully both in national and international competition. She placed fifth in the 1992 United States Olympic Trials in the 1,500m run and she was third at the 1992 United States Cross Country Championships. In 1993, Procaccio earned a spot on the U.S. World Championship team in the 1,500m with a third place finish in

that event at the USA Track & Field Championships.

In the summer of 1995, Procaccio was the USA Track & Field national champion at 5,000m and claimed a spot on the United States squad that competed in the World Championships in Goteberg, Sweden. She finished the 1995 season with rankings of No. 1, 2 and 5 in the 3,000m, 5,000m and 1,500m respectively.

Prior to her coaching stint at Villanova, she had served previously for one year (1987-88) as a graduate assistant at the University of Tennessee and one year (1990-91) as an assistant coach at Georgetown University.



Gina Procaccio enters her third year as head coach of the Wildcats in 2002-2003.

PROCACCIO'S PROLIFIC PAST

- 1995 USA Track & Field 5,000m National Champion.
- Ranked number one in the U.S. in 1995 for the 3,000m.
- Helped set Collegiate, American, and World records as part of the 3,200m relay and the Distance Medley Relay.
- Member of both the 1993 and 1995 U.S. World Championship Teams.
- 1995 World Championship finalist.
- Six-time Penn Relay Individual Champion (five in the mile, and one in the 5,000m).
- 800m - 2:03.42
- 1,500m - 4:06.60
- Mile - 4:24.85
- 3,000m - 8:45.15
- 5,000m - 15:26.13



PROCACCIO'S COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

All-Americans Coached (8):

- Carmen Douma
- Sarah-Vance Goodman
- Kristine Jost
- Kristen Nicolini
- Jen Rhines
- Becky Spies
- Krestena Sullivan
- Carrie Tollefson

NCAA Champions Coached (3):

- Carmen Douma
- Jen Rhines
- Carrie Tollefson

Big East Champions Coached (7):

- Carmen Douma
- Ann McGranahan
- Rebecca Mitchell
- Jen Rhines
- Becky Spies
- Krestena Sullivan
- Carrie Tollefson



ASSISTANT COACHES



MARCUS O'SULLIVAN

DIRECTOR OF TRACK & FIELD

Marcus O'Sullivan returns for his fifth coaching season with the Villanova track & Field program and his second year as Director of Track & Field/Cross Country in 2002-03. O'Sullivan came to Villanova with some lofty credentials. At the prestigious Millrose Games held at

Madison Square Garden on Feb. 13, 1998, O'Sullivan ran a sub-4:00 mile for the 100th time in his illustrious career, becoming just the third runner in history to accomplish this feat. With 101 sub-4:00 miles to his credit, O'Sullivan ranks third all-time behind Steve Scott and John Walker.

Last season, O'Sullivan led the men's DMR team to the NCAA indoor national championship which represented the first time in 22 years that the men's DMR has claimed an NCAA crown, and it was the first indoor title for the Wildcats in 12 years. In addition, he coached junior Adrian Blincoe to the 2002 3,000m NCAA Championship, as Blincoe became the first Wildcat male to win an NCAA individual title since 1981.

In 1999-2000, O'Sullivan led the Wildcat women to both the Big East Conference indoor and outdoor team championships and for their efforts O'Sullivan and his assistants were named Big East Staff of the Year for the indoor and outdoor season.

In the fall of 1998, O'Sullivan started his coaching career in fine fashion as he led the Villanova women to the 1998 NCAA Cross Country National Championship. In addition, he guided the women's squad to the Big East title. For his efforts, O'Sullivan was named USTCA National Women's Cross Country Coach-of-the-Year and he and his assistants were named Big East Conference Women's Cross Country Staff of the Year.

Running under the guidance of the legendary Jumbo Elliott for one season and Charlie Jenkins for three years, O'Sullivan established himself as one of Villanova's all-time great performers garnering four varsity letters each in cross country, indoor track and outdoor track. Throughout his Main Line running career, O'Sullivan captured one NCAA indoor title, 10 Big East Conference indoor and outdoor titles, two IC4A indoor championships and six Penn Relay Carnival Championship of America watches. His NCAA indoor title came in 1983 when he ran the third leg on Villanova's Two Mile Relay which set a national collegiate and NCAA indoor meet record of 7:32.28. During the 1984 NCAA Outdoor Championships, he finished second in the 1500 meters in a time of 3:37.41.

At the IC4A Championships, O'Sullivan turned in some of his best collegiate performances. In 1983 and 1984, he recorded back-to-back titles in the indoor mile in times of 4:00.98 and 4:03.85 respectively. Also, in 1984, he claimed a second place finish in the IC4A Outdoor 1500m with a time of 3:40.83.

In Big East Conference Championships, O'Sullivan posted five first place finishes including the 1981 indoor 1500 meters, both the 1983 cross country crown and indoor 1500 meters and the indoor 1500 meters and outdoor 5000 meters in 1984. At the 1981 Big East Conference Indoor Championships, he was named the meet's Most Outstanding Freshman Performer.

O'Sullivan also made his mark at the famous Penn Relay Carnival where he earned six Championship of America watches during his career. His shining moment at the Penn Relays came in 1984 when he ran a relay record 1500 meter split of 3:38.7 during the anchor leg of Villanova's 6000 meter relay squad that finished first in a national collegiate and meet record time of 14:52.81. In 1982, he ran the leadoff leg on the Wildcats' 3200 meter relay that finished first in a national collegiate and meet record 7:12.29.

Upon graduation from Villanova, O'Sullivan went on to enjoy an outstanding international career that included appearances in four Olympic Games for his native country of Ireland. He competed in the 800m and 1500m in Los Angeles in 1984, was a finalist in the 1500m in Seoul in 1988 and raced in the 1500m at Barcelona in 1992 and Atlanta in 1996. His career highlights include three World Indoor Championships in the 1500m in 1987, 1989 and 1993, as well as a world record in the indoor 1500m (3:35.4) in 1989. This 1500m time, along with his best indoor mile of 3:50.9, remain among the five-best performances ever in those events indoors.

O'Sullivan graduated from Villanova in 1984 with a degree in accounting and went on to earn his MBA from Villanova in 1989. After passing the CPA exam, O'Sullivan served as a part-time faculty member of the Villanova Marketing Department from 1992-93. O'Sullivan's wife, the former Mary Spinks, earned a nursing degree from Villanova in 1986. The couple has two children, Laura (13), and Christopher (10) and reside in Havertown, Pa.



ANTONY WILLIAMS

SPRINTS COORDINATOR

Antony Williams returns to guide Villanova's sprint program for the ninth year. Arriving on the Main Line eight years ago, Williams' athletes have led a massive onslaught on the Wildcat spring and jump records, setting over 29 new marks. He had successfully elevated Villanova's sprinters and jumpers to national prominence, a position in year's past has been reserved for Wildcat distance runners.

Over the past eight years, no other East Coast school has advanced as many sprint hurdlers to the NCAA Championships as Villanova has with Williams. Under his leadership, Villanova has seen the development of Wildcat greats such as All-Americans Kareem Archer, Charmaine Walker, Nic O'Brien, Marlana Robinson and Mike Brown. Williams has one of the best sprint/jump programs on the East Coast and his athletes have added great balance to the Villanova track tradition. Williams also helped standouts such as Jermaine Deans, Kia Davis, Kesha Walley, Carlos Bedoya, Melanie Sklepko and Sherese Price to numerous Big East titles and NCAA appearances.

A native of Kingston, Jamaica, Williams attended Blinn College in Brenham, Texas, where he was a Junior College All-American in the triple jump and sprint relay. He earned a bachelor of business administration in management from the University of Mississippi, where he made the Dean's List as well as being an Academic All-SEC honoree.

In 1994 and 1998, Williams was the Jamaican national champion in the triple jump and he went on to represent Jamaica internationally on several occasions. He spent three years as a volunteer jumps coach in the Plainfield (N.J.) High School System.

Williams is single and has one son, Craig, and two nieces, Danielle and Brianna.

WILLIAMS' COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 14 All-Americans
- 30 Big East Champions
- 8 ECAC/IC4A Champions
- 29 Villanova Records



Marcus O'Sullivan (on left) and Antony Williams (on right) return for their fifth year together on the Villanova coaching staff.



ASSISTANT COACHES/SUPPORT STAFF



GEORGE REYNOLDS

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ASSISTANT COACH/
THROWS

George Reynolds enters his ninth season with the Wildcats. His responsibilities are coaching the throws, pole vault and multi-events.

Under his tutelage, athletes have qualified for the NCAA Championships, as well as the Olympic Trials. In addition, Reynolds has also coached athletes to Big East and All-American honors.

Reynolds was a member of the Wildcat track squad, under Jumbo Elliott and Jim Tuppeny. In 1988 and 1989, Reynolds was the United States Masters Champion in the javelin, and in 1989 placed sixth in the javelin at the Masters World Championships.

Reynolds holds level II USA Track & Field Certifications in the throws, jumps, multi-events, and the sprints. Reynolds and his wife, Leslie, live in Media, and are the parents of two children.



KELLI McINTYRE

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SPORTS
MEDICINE

Joining the Wildcats this year as an assistant athletic trainer for the women's basketball program is Kelli McIntyre. McIntyre comes to Villanova from the University of North Carolina, where she earned her master's degree in athletic training and served as a graduate assistant for the football and women's basketball teams for two years.

A native of Piscataway, New Jersey, McIntyre completed her undergraduate studies at Boston University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in athletic training. McIntyre is single and currently resides in Wyncote, Pa.



CARMEN DOUMA-HUSSAR

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ASSISTANT
COACH

Carmen Douma-Hussar enters her third year as a Wildcat assistant in 2002-2003.

A native of Cambridge, Ontario, Douma-Hussar finished her Villanova running career a nine-time All-American with three NCAA individual championships and 15 Big East Conference individual titles. Her three NCAA crowns came in the 1998 indoor mile, the 1998 outdoor 1,500m run and the 2000 indoor mile. In addition, Douma-Hussar made her mark at the prestigious Penn Relays where she was a member of three Championship of America teams.

Douma-Hussar graduated from Villanova in December of 2000 with a Bachelor's degree in Education. Douma Hussar and her husband Chris reside in Wayne, Pa.



ILENE LEE

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TRACK & FIELD
SECRETARY

Ilene Lee enters her 12th year at Villanova University in 2002-2003, and her third with the Wildcat track and field and cross country programs. In addition to her duties for track and field and cross country, Lee also serves at secretary for women's basketball and student services.

In her tenure at Villanova, Lee has also spent time with the men's basketball and football programs, as well as the Compliance Office.

Ilene and her husband of 27 years, Walt, reside in Havertown with their four children, Kevin, Christopher, Claire and Karen.

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANTS



Marlina Robinson



Jen Rhines



ATHLETE PROFILES



NICOLE BRIDGWOOD

**SOPHOMORE • SPRINTS
BOHEMIA, N.Y.
CONNETQUOT H.S.**

VILLANOVA: A young sprinter; Expected to step up and compete for conference honors; Strong leg on the relay team.

PERSONAL: Liberal Arts major; Oldest of three children of Robert and Maryellen Bridgwood; Born 6/9/83.



SHERIAN BYAM

**SOPHOMORE • SPRINTS
BROOKLYN, N.Y.
PAUL ROBESON H.S.**

VILLANOVA: A sophomore sprinter/hurdler who will be expected to step up and fill the void due to graduation in the short hurdles events.

PERSONAL: Human Services major; Older of two children of Vincent and Lydia Byam; Born 5/13/83.

BRIDGWOOD'S PERSONAL BESTS

200m	24.80	New York County Meet (8/01)
400m	55.49	New York State Meet (6/01)
500m	1:15.8	Penn State (1/02)
600m	1:36.2	New York State Meet (2/01)

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST:	2002	3rd indoor	DMR
NCAA:	2002	10th indoor	DMR

BYAM'S PERSONAL BESTS

100m Hurdles	14.25	New York State Meet (6/01)
400m Hurdles	63.08	New York State Meet (6/01)



HOLLY COSNETT

**SOPHOMORE • MIDDLE DISTANCE
HADDONFIELD, N.J.
HADDONFIELD MEMORIAL H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Big East scorer as a freshman; Looking to break onto the national scene in the 800m.

PERSONAL: Undecided on college major; Oldest of three children of Gilbert and Patricia Cosnet; Born 1/15/83.

COSNETT'S PERSONAL BESTS

400m	57.64	Penn Invitational (4/02)
800m	2:09.34	Big East Championships (5/02)

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST:	2002	7th indoor	800m
		9th outdoor	800m



Holly Cosnett



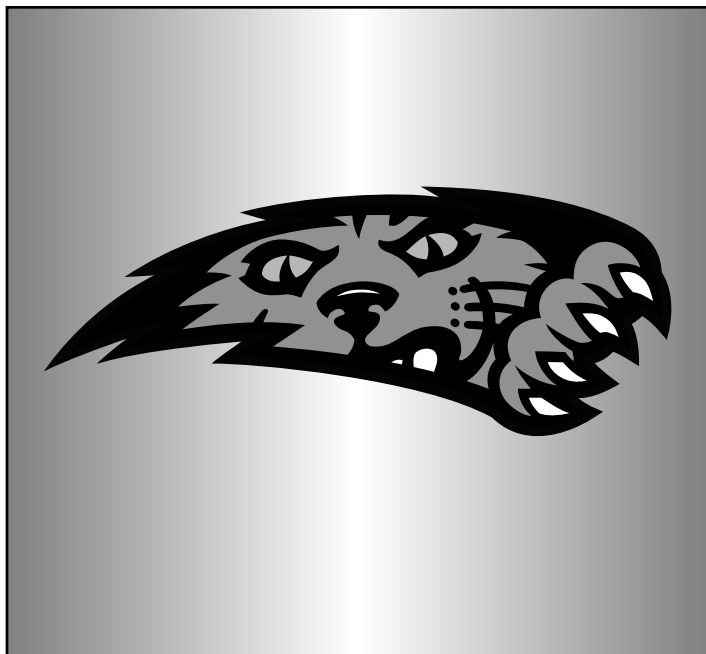
ATHLETE PROFILES



**CLAUDINE
EVANGELISTA**

**JUNIOR • CC/MIDDLE DISTANCE
LAUREL SPRINGS, N.J.
TRITON H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Big East scorer in the indoor 1000m; Looking to step up and contribute in the 1500m.
PERSONAL: Biology major; Oldest of three daughters of Gary and Dianne Evangelista; Born 4/10/82.



EVANGELISTA'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:15.34	Florida (2/02)
1,000m	2:53.65	Big East Championships (2/02)
1,500m	4:33.99	Big East Championships (5/01)

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST: 2002 5th indoor 1,000m



**MICHELLE
EZZIE**

**SOPHOMORE • POLE VAULT
DREXEL HILL, PA.
UPPER DARBY H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Looking to build on a good freshman year; Could help out on the 4x400m relay.
PERSONAL: Commerce & Finance major; Youngest of four children of Michael and Joanne Ezzie; Born 5/17/83.



Michelle Ezzie

EZZIE'S PERSONAL BESTS

Pole Vault	2002	11'11 3/4"	Big East
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AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST: 2002 3rd outdoor pole vault
5th indoor pole vault



ATHLETE PROFILES



JOCELYN FONTAINE

**SENIOR • SPRINTS/MIDDLE DISTANCE
MORGANTOWN, PA.
CHICHESTER H.S.**

VILLANOVA: A developing quarter miler who finished the 2002 season with very strong performances. Expected to continue to give good production and will look to close out her career with individual personal records.

PERSONAL: Sociology and criminal justice majors; Daughter of Laura Fontaine; Born 11/6/81.



ELIZABETH GEISEL

**FRESHMAN • CC/MIDDLE DISTANCE
MANCHESTER, N.H.
MANCHESTER CENTRAL H.S.**

VILLANOVA: National high school record holder in the 2000m steeplechase; Top talent out of New Hampshire; Will make an immediate impact in cross country and the steeplechase.

PERSONAL: Biology major; Youngest of four daughters of Terry and Francis Geisel; Born 9/3/84.

FONTAINE'S PERSONAL BESTS

400m	57.4	Widener Inv. (4/01)
500m	1:17.88	Penn State Inv. (1/01)
800m	2:18.74	Widener Inv. (4/00)

GEISEL'S PERSONAL BESTS

Mile	4:57.26	Millrose Games (2/02)
2,000m Steeplechase	6:52.34	National Scholastic (6/01)



CHRISTINE HEFFERNAN

**SENIOR • THROWS
SPRINGFIELD, PA.
SPRINGFIELD H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Expected to score in four events at the Big East Meet; Will look to earn an NCAA berth in the javelin.

PERSONAL: Liberal Arts major; Youngest of two children of Bernard and Darlene Heffernan; Born

8/10/81.



Jocelyn Fontaine

HEFFERNAN'S PERSONAL BESTS

Discus	146'4"
Shot Put	44'5"1/4
Javelin	142'6"
Weight Throw	53' 3/4"
Hammer	162'

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST:	2000	4th outdoor	discus
		4th outdoor	javelin
	2001	6th indoor	weight throw
		6th indoor	shot put
		6th outdoor	discus
		6th outdoor	hammer
		6th outdoor	javelin
	2002	6th outdoor	javelin
		7th outdoor	discus



Christine Heffernan



ATHLETE PROFILES



**CARRE
JOYCE**

**JUNIOR • CC/DISTANCE
CHARLESTOWN, S.C.
SUMMERVILLE H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Consistant performer looking to break through on the national scene in cross country and the steeplechase
PERSONAL: Liberal Arts major; Youngest of two daughters of Robert and Sharon Joyce; Born 9/28/81.



**JULIETTE
KENNY**

**SOPHOMORE • CC/MIDDLE DISTANCE
RYE, N.Y.
RYE H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Big East qualifier; Looking for a breakthrough season in the 800m and 1500m.
PERSONAL: One of two children of Frank and Derval Kenny; Born 5/3/83.

JOYCE'S PERSONAL BESTS

Mile	4:51.00	Penn State (1/02)
1,500m	4:32.58	Univ. of Penn (4/02)
Steeplechase	10:46.48	Big East Championships (5/02)

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST:	2001	7th outdoor	steeplechase
	2002	8th indoor	mile
		2nd outdoor	steeplechase

KENNY'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:17.81	Florida Relays (3/02)
1,500m	4:43.82	Penn Invitational (4/02)



Carre Joyce



**LAUREN
KOBEL**

**SENIOR • THROWS
MOUNTAINSIDE, N.J.
GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Big East qualifier; expected to score at the Big East Indoor and Outdoor meet.
PERSONAL: Twin sister, Alison, is a javelin and hammer thrower on the Villanova Track and Field team; Daughter of James and Debbie Kobel.

KOBEL'S PERSONAL BESTS

20-lb. Weight	45-3 1/4	Big East Indoors (3/02)
Hammer	137	Villanova Invitational (5/02)



ATHLETE PROFILES



YOLANDA MALCOLM

**FRESHMAN • SPRINTS/JUMPS
BRENTWOOD, N.Y.
BRENTWOOD H.S.**

VILLANOVA: A young sprinter/jumper with great potential for years to come; Has the tools to compete for top conference honors in the short hurdles and long jump events; Will be a big contributor in the relay events.

PERSONAL: Nursing major. One of two children of Juliette Deguzman.



REBECCA MITCHELL

**JUNIOR • CC/MIDDLE DISTANCE
GENEVA, ILL.
GENEVA H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Consistent Big East scorer; Looking to step up and score on the national scene.

PERSONAL: Commerce and Finance major; One of three children of Jerry and Sheila Mitchell; Born 7/1/82.

MALCOLM'S PERSONAL BESTS

100H	14.2	6/01
55H	8.1	7/01
Long Jump	19'4"	7/01
200m	25.5	7/01

MITCHELL'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:09.76	Miami Gatorade (4/02)
1,000m	2:48.28	Big East Championships (2/01)
1,500m	4:23.01	Big East Championships (5/02)
Mile	4:43.11	Florida Inv. (2/01)

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST:	2001	1st indoor	1,000m
		3rd outdoor	1,500m
	2002	2nd indoor	1,000m
		3rd outdoor	1,500m



MARINA MUNCAN

**FRESHMAN • CC/MIDDLE DISTANCE
PANCEVO, YUGOSLAVIA
CHEMISTRY H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Top junior from Yugoslavia; Will make an immediate impact in cross country and the 1500m and 3000m.

PERSONAL: Youngest of two daughters of Vasa and Jelena Muncan; Born 11/6/82.

MUNCAN'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:08.65	Yugoslavia 8/02)
1,500m	4:19.21	Bucarest (6/01)
3,000m	9:17.32	European Juniors (7/01)



Rebecca Mitchell



ATHLETE PROFILES



**IOANA
PARUSHEVA**

**SOPHOMORE • CC/MIDDLE DISTANCE
SLIVEN, BULGARIA
DIMITAR RIOHOV**

VILLANOVA: Big East scorer; Looking to break-through on the national scene in cross country and the 1500m.

PERSONAL: Younger of two daughters of Ivan and Svetlana Parusheva; Born 5/23/82.



**MELANIE
RHODEN**

**JUNIOR • SPRINTS/HURDLES
EWING, N.J.
EWING H.S.**

VILLANOVA: A junior sprinter/hurdler who is expected to add depth to the relay teams and compete for conference honors in the 800m or 400m hurdles.

PERSONAL: Human Services major; Youngest of two children of Judith Rhoden; Born 6/28/82.

PARUSHEVA'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:09.30	Bulgaria (6/01)
1,000m	2:48.40	Penn State (1/02)
1,500m	4:22.67	Sarajevo (6/00)
3,000m	9:44.04	Penn State (1/02)

AT MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG EAST:	2002	6th Indoor	Mile
		9th outdoor	1500 meter

RHODEN'S PERSONAL BESTS

400m Hurdles	1:01.70
400m	57.10
800m	2:13.56



Ioana Parusheva



Melanie Rhoden



ATHLETE PROFILES



KIRSTY SMITH
SOPHOMORE • CC/DISTANCE
NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C.
ARGYLE SECONDARY H.S.

VILLANOVA: Top Canadian junior; Redshirted last year; Looking to make an impact in cross country and the 1500m.
PERSONAL: Commerce & Finance major; Younger of two children of Rodney and Kelly Smith; Born

12/12/83.



JAMIE STIGER
SOPHOMORE • JAVELIN
CHESTER, N.J.
WEST MORRIS MENDHAM H.S.

VILLANOVA: Big East qualifier; Will be looked upon to score at the Big East in 2003.
PERSONAL: Psychology major; youngest of two children of Barry and Lynn Stiger; born March 6, 1983.

SMITH'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:14.36	Canada (7/00)
1,500m	4:29.10	Canada (8/00)
3,000m	9:58.20	Mt. Sac Relay (4/01)

STIGER'S PERSONAL BESTS

Javelin	127'	Penn Invitational (4/01)
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METTE SVARRER
JUNIOR • SPRINTS/HURDLES
COPENHAGEN, DENMARK
ESBJERG HANDELSSKOLE H.S.

VILLANOVA: A talented sprinter/hurdler coming off injury who with good health will provide great production in the short hurdles and sprint events; Will add depth to the relay team in 2002-2003.
PERSONAL:



COLLEEN TAYLOR
SOPHOMORE • CC/DISTANCE
WILMINGTON, DEL.
URSULINE ACADEMY

VILLANOVA: Poised for a breakthrough year in the 800m and 1500m in 2002-2003.
PERSONAL: Undecided on college major; One of five children of Jim and Eileen Taylor; Sister, Tricia, is also a member of the Wildcat track & field team; Born 7/27/83.

SVARRER'S PERSONAL BESTS

100m	12.12	(6/01)
200m	24.26	(5/01)
100m hurdles	14.14	(5/01)

TAYLOR'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:12.3	Big East (Relay, 5/02)
Mile	4:58.72	Penn Relays (4/01)
1,500m	4:32.88	Big East (5/02)



ATHLETE PROFILES



**TRICIA
TAYLOR**

**JUNIOR • MIDDLE DISTANCE
WILMINGTON, DEL.
URSULINE ACADEMY**

VILLANOVA: Redshirted last year; Looking to break through to the national scene in the 800m.
PERSONAL: Elementary Education major; Younger sister, Colleen, is a freshman on the Wildcat track & field team; Oldest of five children of Jim and Eileen

Taylor; Born 1/21/82.



**SYLVIA
TAGGART**

**SENIOR • THROWS
N. RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS
RICHLAND H.S.**

VILLANOVA: Big East qualifier indoors and outdoors; on pace to score in shot put at the 2003 Big East meet.
PERSONAL: Liberal arts major; One of five children of Ed and Sylvia Taggart; Born March 4, 1981.

TAYLOR'S PERSONAL BESTS

400m	56.44	2000
800m	2:12.96	Duke Inv. (4/7/01)

TAGGERT'S PERSONAL BESTS

Shot Put	44-2 3/4	Big East (3/02)
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**KALIN
TOEDEBUSCH**

**SOPHOMORE • CC/DISTANCE
ROCKFORD, MICH.
ROCKFORD H.S.**

VILLANOVA: One of the top high school runners in the country last year; Will make an immediate impact in cross country and the distance events.
PERSONAL: Liberal Arts major; Oldest of two girls of Robert and Lori Toedebusch; Born 9/8/82.

TOEDEBUSCH'S PERSONAL BESTS

800m	2:15.0	National Scholastic (6/01)
1,600m	4:45.01	DMR-ECAC (3/02)
3,000m	9:28.64	UNC Last Chance Meet (2/02)
5,000m	16:16.64	Big East (5/02)
Two Mile	10:38.50	Michigan (5/00)
big east finishes		
3rd indoor	5000m	
7th outdoor	5000m	



Kalin Toedebusch



ATHLETE PROFILES



**BRIDGET
AKARD**

**YEAR • EVENT
HOMETOWN
H.S.**



**VANESSA
BEEBE**

**SOPHOMORE • SHOT/DISCUS
MENDHAM, N.J.
WEST MORRIS MENDHAM H.S.**



**ALISON
KOBEL**

**SENIOR • THROWS
MOUNTAINSIDE, N.J.
GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON H.S.**



**GRACE
RODDEN**

**JUNIOR • CC/DISTANCE
SPOFFORD, N.H.
KEENE H.S.**



**SARAH
SCARFE**

**SOPHOMORE • CC/DISTANCE
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.
CAMPBELL HALL H.S.**



**ABBY
SMAGULA**

**JUNIOR • POLE VAULT
BEDFORD, N.H.
MANCHESTER WEST H.S.**



**LIA
TORRE**

**FRESHMAN • JUMPS
HO HO KUS, N.J.
HIGH SCHOOL**



PENN RELAY CHAMPIONS/WATCH WINNERS

1979	3200m relay	8:47.8	Jennifer Whitfield, Sue Shea, Brigid Leddy, Dorianne Lamebet
1984	DMR	10:53.97	Mary Ellen McGowan, Veronica McIntosh, Patty Bradley, Lauren Searby
1985	3200m relay	8:27.57	Mary Ellen McGowan, Debbie Grant, Joanne Kehs, Veronica McIntosh
1987	DMR	10:55.46	Gina Procaccio, Celeste Halliday, Debbie Grant, Vicki Huber • Huber was named the meet's MVA.
1988	3200m relay	8:25.25	Kathy Franey, Vicki Huber, Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday
	DMR	10:48.38	Kathy Franey, Michelle Bennett, Celeste Halliday, Vicki Huber • meet record
1989	3200m relay	8:28.83	Michelle DiMuro, Vicki Huber, Kim Certain, Michelle Bennett
	DMR	10:53.37	Kathy Franey, Michelle Bennett Michelle DiMuro, Vicki Huber
	6000m relay	17:22.58	Michelle DiMuro, Sonia O'Sullivan, Kathy Franey, Vicki Huber • World Outdoor Best, Meet & VU Record • Huber was named the meet's MVA.
1990	3200m relay	8:30.61	Michele Torelli, Michelle Bennett, Sonia O'Sullivan, Kathy Franey
	DMR	10:49.81	Sonia O'Sullivan, Michelle Bennett, Michele Torelli, Kathy Franey
	6000m relay	17:18.10	Nnenna Lynch, Sonia O'Sullivan, Cheri Goddard, Kathy Franey • World Outdoor Best, Meet & VU Record
1991	3200m relay	8:29.52	Irene Ruopoli, Sonia O'Sullivan, Michele Torelli, Michelle Bennett
	DMR	10:55.98	Nnenna Lynch, Michelle Bennett, Cheri Goddard, Sonia O'Sullivan
1992	6000m relay	17:43.33	Chris Gentile, Nnenna Lynch, Kate Fonshell, Cheri Goddard
1993	3200m relay	8:30.76	Irene Ruopoli, Tosha Woodward, Cheri Goddard, Abby Hunte
	6000m relay	17:51.51	Becky Spies, Carole Zajac, Megan Flowers, Cheri Goddard
1994	DMR	11:04.21	Tosha Woodward, Cathalina Staye, Abby Hunte, Becky Spies
	6000m relay	17:37.51	Carole Zajac, Jennifer Rhines, Emer Molloy, Becky Spies
1995	DMR	11:05.49	Krestena Sullivan, Cathalina Staye, Tosha Woodward, Becky Spies
	6000m relay	17:33.79	Tosha Woodward, Krestena Sullivan, Jen Rhines, Becky Spies
	3200m relay	8:31.99	Emer Malloy, Krestena Sullivan, Becky Spies, Tosha Woodward

1996	Javelin		Jen Pastore
1997	DMR	10:57.97	Jurga Marcinkeviciute, Kesha Walley, Tamiaka Grizzle, Krestena Sullivan
	6000m relay	17:29.32	Carmen Douma, Kristine Jost, Carrie Tollefson, Krestena Sullivan
	3200m relay	8:27.66	Jurga Marcinkeviciute, Tamiaka Grizzle, Carmen Douma, Krestena Sullivan
	1600m relay	3:37.76	Kia Davis, Leashia Rahr, Kesha Walley, Tamiaka Grizzle • ECAC division only
2000	6000m relay	17:30.30	Liz Awtrey, Carrie Tollefson, Kristen Nicolini, Carmen Douma

VILLANOVA RELAY VICTORIES BY EVENT

Distance medley	9
6000m/Four mile	8
3200m/Two mile	9
1600m relay	1
TOTAL	27



**VILLANOVA CHAMPIONSHIP OF AMERICA
WATCH WINNER LEADERS**

Totals include relay wins only.

- 7 Michelle Bennett, 1988-1991
Kathy Franey, 1986-1990
- 6 Vicki Huber, 1985-1989
Sonia O'Sullivan, 1989-1991
Krestena Sullivan 1993-1997
- 5 Cheri Goddard, 1990-1993



Michelle Bennett



Kathy Franey



BIG EAST TRACK CHAMPIONS

17	<i>Vicki Huber</i>	1989 i-mile, 3000m, 4x800m; 1988 i-3000m, 4x800m; o-1500m, 3000m, 4x400m; 1987 i-1500m, 3000m; o-1500m, 4x800m; 1986 i-1500m; 4x800m; o-1500m, 3000m, 4x800m.	5	<i>Christine Gentile</i>	1993 i-4x800m, DMR; 1992 i-4x800m, DMR; 1991 o-4x800m.
14	<i>Veronica McIntosh</i>	1985 i-400m, 800m; o-800m, 4x400m; 1984 i-400m, 800m, 4x400m; o-400m, 4x400m; 1983 i-800m, 4x400m; o-400m, 4x100m, 4x400m.	5	<i>Judy Palmer</i>	1986 i-4x800m; 1985 i-4x800m; o-4x800m; 1984 i-4x400m; 1983 o-400mIH.
13	<i>Debbie Grant</i>	1987 i-500m; o-4x400m; 1986 i-400m, 800m, 4x400m; o-4x400m; 1985 i-500m, 4x400m; o-400mIH, 4x400m.	5	<i>Stacy Robinson</i>	1996 i-4x800m; 1995 i-4x800m, DMR; o-4x800; 1993 i-DMR.
13	<i>Mary Ellen McGowan</i>	1985 i-1000m, 3000m, DMR; o-1500m, 3000m 4x800m; 1984 o-1500m, 3000m; 1983 i-1500m, 3000m, DMR; o-3000m, 4x800m.	4	<i>Vickie Brown</i>	1985 i-DMR; 1983 i-4x800m, DMR; o-1500m.
12	<i>Michelle Bennett</i>	1991 i-500m, 800m; o-800m, 4x800m; 1990 i-500m, 800m, 4x800; 1989 i-500m; o-200m, 400m; 1988 i-4x400m; o-4x400m.	4	<i>Coleen Gallagher</i>	1987 i-DMR; o-4x800m; 1984 i-3000m; o-4x800m.
11	<i>Patty Bradley</i>	1984 o-100mHH, 800m, LJ, 4x400m; 1983 i-500m, 4x800m; o-100mHH, 800m, LJ, 4x100m, 4x400m.	4	<i>Carol Haux</i>	1991 i-DMR; 1989 o-4x800m; 1988 i-DMR; o-4x800m.
11	<i>Celeste Halliday</i>	1988 i-500m, 800m, 4x400m; o-800m, 4x400m; 1987 i-400m, 800m; o-4x400m; 1986 i-500m, 4x400m; o-4x400m.	4	<i>Kristine Jost</i>	1997 o-3000m, i-DMR, 1996 i-4x800m, i-DMR.
11	<i>Joanne Kehs</i>	1986 i-1000m, 4x800m; o-800m, 4x800m; 1985 i-4x800m; o-4x400m; 1984 o-4x800m; 1983 i-1000m, 4x800m, DMR; o-4x400m.	4	<i>Sharon Margaretha</i>	1983 i-4x400m, DMR; o-4x100m, 4x400m.
11	<i>Krestena Sullivan</i>	1997 DMR, i-4x800m, o-4x800m, o-1500m 1996 i-4x800m, DMR; 1995 i-mile, 4x800m, DMR; o-4x800m; 1994 i-4x800m.	4	<i>Meg Moisen</i>	1989 i-4x800m; 1988 i-4x800m, DMR; 1986 i-4x800m.
10	<i>Sonia O'Sullivan</i>	1991 i-Mile, 3000m, 4x800m; o-3000m, 5000m; 1990 i-3000m; o-3000m; 1989 o-3000m, 4x800m; 1988 o-4x800m.	4	<i>Gina Procaccio</i>	1987 i-1000m o-800m, 3000m, 4x800m.
9	<i>Cheri Goddard</i>	1993 i-Mile, 3000m; o-1500m; 1992 i-Mile, 4x800m; 1991 i-4x800m; o-4x800m; 1990 i-4x800m, DMR.	4	<i>Irene Ruopoli</i>	1993 i-4x800m; 1992 i-4x800m, DMR; 1991 i-DMR.
9	<i>Nnenna Lynch</i>	1993 i-DMR; 1992 i-4x800m, DMR; o-3000m; 1991 i-4x800m; o-1500m, 4x800m; 1990 i-4x800m, DMR.	3	<i>Tracey Carter</i>	1983 i-400m, 4x400m; o-4x100m.
9	<i>Becky Spies</i>	1995 i-1000m, DMR; o-1500m, 4x800; 1994 i-1000m, DMR; o-1500m; 1993 i- DMR; 1992 i-DMR.	3	<i>Kim Certain</i>	1990 i-1000m; 1989 i-4x800m; o-4x800m.
8	<i>Carrie Tollefson</i>	2000 i-5,000m, i-3,000m, o-5,000, o-3,000m. 1999 o-3000m, 5000m; 1997 i-3000m; 1996 i-DMR.	3	<i>Tamieka Grizzle</i>	1998 i-DMR, 4x800m; 1997 i-800m.
8	<i>Tosha Woodward</i>	1995 i-800m, 4x800m; o-800m; 1994 i-800m, 4x800m, DMR; 1993 i-4x800m; o-800m.	3	<i>Abby Hunte</i>	1994 o-800m; 1993 i-800m, 4x800m.
8	<i>Michelle DiMuro</i>	1989 i-800m; o-800m; 1988 i-800m, 4x400m; o-4x400m; 1987 o-4x400m; 1986 i-4x400m; o-4x400m.	3	<i>Beth Lyons</i>	1984 o-4x800m; 1983 i-4x400m; o-4x800m.
8	<i>Kathy Franey</i>	1990 o-1500m, 5000m; 1989 i-4x800m; o-1500m; 1988 i-Mile, 4x800m; 1987 i-DMR; o-4x800m.	3	<i>Emer Molloy</i>	1995 i-4x800m; 1994 i-4x800m; DMR.
8	<i>Jennifer Rhines</i>	1996 i-3000m, i-5000m; o-5000m; 1995 i-5000m; o-5000m; 1994 i-3000m, 5000m; o-5000m.	3	<i>Jenny Rahn</i>	1988 i-DMR; o-Javelin; 1986 o-Javelin.
7	<i>Carmen Douma</i>	2000 i-mile, o-1,500m. 1998 i-1000m, 4x800m, DMR; o-1500m; 1997 o-4x800.	3	<i>Terri Smith</i>	1988 i-4x400m, 4x800m; o-4x800m.
6	<i>Cassy Bradley</i>	1987 i-DMR; o-400mIH, 4x400m; 1986 i-4x400m; o-400mIH, 4x400m.	3	<i>Cathalina Staye</i>	1996 0-4x400m; 1996 0-4x400m; 1994 i-DMR.
6	<i>Lauren Searby</i>	1987 i-DMR; 1986 o-4x800m; 1985 i-DMR; o-5000m; 1984 i-1500m, 5000m.	3	<i>Connie Sweet</i>	1985 i-Shot put; o-Shot put, Discus.
6	<i>Michele Torelli</i>	1991 i-1000m, 4x800m, DMR; 1990 i-4x800m, DMR; 1989 o-4x800m.	3	<i>Kelly Toole</i>	1985 i-4x800m; 1984 i-4x400m; o-4x400m.
6	<i>Charmaine Walker</i>	2000 i-60m hurdles, o-100m hurdles. 1998 i-55m hurdles; o-100m hurdles 2001 i-60m hurdles; o-100m hurdles	2	<i>Joanne VanRenselar</i>	1985 i-DMR; 1984 i-4x400m; o-4x400m.
6	<i>Carole Zajac</i>	1994 o-10,000m; 1993 i-5000m; o-5000m, 10,000m; 1992 i-5000m; 1991 o-10,000m.	2	<i>Jane Ashton</i>	1985 o-4x800m; 1983 o-4x800m.
			2	<i>Nancy Fleming</i>	1983 i-4x800m; o-4x800m.
			2	<i>Kate Fonshell</i>	1990 i-5000m; o-10,000m.
			2	<i>Ann McGranahan</i>	2000 o-10,000m. 1998 o-10,000m
			2	<i>Sharon Moore</i>	1991 i-DMR; 1990 i-DMR.
			2	<i>Cuyler Goodwin</i>	1996 i-DMR; o-4x400m.
			2	<i>Lony'e Johnson</i>	1998 i-4x800m; 1997 o-4x800.
			2	<i>Jurga Marcinkeviciute</i>	1997 o-800m, o-4x800m
			2	<i>Kristen Nicolini</i>	1998 i-DMR, 4x800m
			2	<i>Jen Pastore</i>	1996 o-Javelin; 1995 o-Javelin.
			2	<i>Nikki Shaw</i>	1994 i-4x800m; 1993 i-1000m.
			2	<i>Peggy Stewart</i>	1983 i-High jump; o-High jump.
			2	<i>Kesha Walley</i>	1996 o-4x400m; 1995 i-DMR.
			1	<i>Olive Burke</i>	1988 i-55mHH.
			1	<i>Kia Davis</i>	1996 o-4x400.
			1	<i>Elaine Duck</i>	1988 o-4x800m.
			1	<i>Melissa Grubb</i>	1985 i-4x800m.
			1	<i>Katie Kelly</i>	1996 i-4x800m.
			1	<i>Lori Lancaster</i>	1985 o-4x400m.
			1	<i>Rebecca Mitchell</i>	2001 i-1,000m
			1	<i>Lisa Polzinetti</i>	1985 i-5000m.
			1	<i>Allison Pojanowski</i>	1995 i-4x800m.
			1	<i>Sherese Price</i>	2002 i-60m hurdles.
			1	<i>Leashia Rahr</i>	1998 i-DMR.
			1	<i>Marlena Robinson</i>	2000 o-Triple Jump
			1	<i>Stephanie ScAlessa</i>	1988 i-DMR.
			1	<i>Melanie Sklepko</i>	1997 Javelin.
			1	<i>Jan Yerks</i>	1983 i-5000m.

i= indoor o= outdoor



ECAC TRACK CHAMPIONS

ECAC INDOOR CHAMPIONS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ATHLETE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>MARK</u>	
1984	Patty Bradley	800m	2:07.33	
	Joanne Kehs	1000m	2:47.63	
	Lauren Searby	3000m	9:18.26	
	Mary Ellen McGowan	5000m	16:21.4	
	Kelly Toole, Beth Lyons, Coleen Gallagher, Joanne Kehs, Kelly Toole, Joanne VanRensselaer, Melissa Grub, Mary Ellen McGowan	3200m Relay	8:50.28	
	1985	Debbie Grant	500m	1:12.05
		Joanne Kehs	800m	2:08.74
		Mary Ellen McGowan	1000m	2:48.77
		Jane Ashton, Kelly Toole, Judy Palmer, Joanne Kehs	3200m Relay	8:48.97
		Veronica McIntosh, Joanne VanRensselaer, Melissa Grub, Lauren Searby	DMR	11:37.68
1986	Debbie Grant	800m	2:06.65	
	Kelly Toole, Vicki Huber, Cassy Bradley, Michelle DiMuro	3200m Relay	8:57.19	
	Kathy Franey, Judy Palmer, Michelle DiMuro, Meg Moisen	DMR	11:38.85	
	1987	Debbie Grant	800m	2:05.48
		Celeste Halliday	1000y	2:26.97
Vicki Huber		1500m	4:17.85	
Vicki Huber		3000m	9:16.83	
Kelly Toole, Lauren Searby, Ruth Lockbaum, Gina Procaccio		3200m Relay	8:58.75	
1988	Kathy Franey, Cassy Bradley, Kelly Toole, Lauren Searby	DMR	11:28.75	
	Celeste Halliday	800m	2:04.69	
	Kathy Franey	1000m	2:45.92	
	Vicki Huber	Mile	4:32.47	
	Vicki Huber	3000m	9:13.22	
	Michelle Bennett, Carol Haux, Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday	3200m Relay	8:41.73	
	Michelle Bennett, Marissa Maggio Terry Smith, Meg Moisen	DMR	11:37.66	
	1990	Michelle Bennett	500m	1:11.65
		Nnenna Lynch	Mile	4:45.76
		Sonia O'Sullivan	3000m	9:16.9
Sharon Moore, Megan Ceppetelli, Carol Haux, Kim Certain		3200m Relay	8:47.6	
1993	Emer Malloy, Stacy Robinson Irene Ruopoli, Nikki Shaw	3200m Relay	8:44.01	
	1995	Jen Rhines	Mile	4:45.62
Becky Spies		1000m	2:45.63	
Carmen Douma		Mile	4:37.36	
1998	Carmen Douma	800m	2:08.47	
	Charmaine Walker	60m hurdles	8.18	
2000	Charmaine Walker	60m hurdles	8.18	
2001	Marlena Robinson	Triple Jump	12.99m	

ECAC OUTDOOR CHAMPIONS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ATHLETE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>MARK</u>	
1984	Patty Bradley	100m H	14.02	
	Debbie Grant	400m H	58.37	
	Veronica McIntosh	800m	2:07.01	
	Mary Ellen McGowan	3000m	9:31.00	
	Kelly Toole, Judy Palmer Coleen Gallagher, Beth Lyons	3200m Relay	8:55.24	
	1985	Lauren Searby	1500m	4:26.7
		Kelly Toole, Jane Ashton Judy Palmer, Joanne Kehs	3200m Relay	8:57.4
	1986	Cassy Bradley, Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday, Debbie Grant	3200m Relay	8:57.0
		1987	Celeste Halliday	800m
	Vicki Huber		1500m	4:11.26
1988	Vicki Huber	1500m	4:09.10	
	1989	Michelle Bennett	800m	2:05.21
Kathy Franey		1500m	4:14.73	
1990	Vicki Huber	3000m	8:54.59	
	Kathy Franey	1500m	4:15.4	
	Sonia O'Sullivan	3000m	8:58.31	
1991	Kate Fonshell	5000m	16:16.63	
	Nnenna Lynch	1500m	4:17.91	
1992	Sonia O'Sullivan	3000m	8:58.64	
	Irene Ruopoli	800m	2:07.28	
1994	Nnenna Lynch	3000m	9:09.46	
	Jennifer Rhines	3000m	9:10.01	
1995	Krestena Sullivan	800m	2:08.34	
	Jennifer Rhines	3000m	9:06.66	
1996	Jennifer Pastore	Javelin	173'2"	
1997	Carrie Tollefson	1500m	4:17.53	
1998	Carmen Douma	1500m	4:18.94	
	Charmaine Walker	100mIH	13.36	
1999	Carrie Tollefson	1500m	4:19.84	
	Carrie Tollefson	3000m	9:12.03	
2000	Charmaine Walker	100m hurdles	13.29	



Debbie Grant captured the 400m hurdle championship at the 1984 ECAC outdoor meet.



NCAA TRACK CHAMPIONS

INDOOR EVENTS

YEAR	ATHLETE	EVENT	MARK
1984	Veronica McIntosh	800m	2:06.82
1985	Kelly Toole, Debbie Grant, Joanne Kehs, Veronica McIntosh	3200m Relay	8:33.60
1987	Vicki Huber	3000m	9:06.45
	Gina Procaccio, Debbie Grant	3200m Relay	8:24.72
1988	Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday		
	Vicki Huber	Mile	4:31.46
	Vicki Huber	3000m	9:05.67
	Michelle Bennett, Michelle DiMuro, Meg Moisen, Celeste Halliday	3200m Relay	8:34.05
1989	Vicki Huber	3000m	8:55.29
	Meg Moisen, Michelle Bennett, Kim Certain, Michelle DiMuro	3200m Relay	8:34.54
1990	Michele Torelli, Abby Hunte, Kim Certain, Michelle Bennett	3200m Relay	8:31.95
1991	Sonia O'Sullivan	5000m	15:49.46
1995	Jennifer Rhines	5000m	15:41.12
	Tosha Woodward, Cathalina Staye	Distance	11:11.98
	Becky Spies, Jennifer Rhines	Medley Relay	
1997	Kristine Jost	3000m	9:14.14
1998	Carmen Douma	Mile	4:37.74
1999	Carrie Tollefson	3000m	9:15.05
2000	Carmen Douma	Mile	4:39.91
	Carrie Tollefson	3000m	9:13.68

OUTDOOR EVENTS

YEAR	ATHLETE	EVENT	MARK
1987	Vicki Huber	3,000m	8:54.41
1988	Vicki Huber	3,000m	8:47.35
1989	Vicki Huber	3,000m	9:06.96
1990	Sonia O'Sullivan	3,000m	8:56.27
1991	Sonia O'Sullivan	3,000m	8:56.74
1992	Nnenna Lynch	3,000m	9:24.59
1993	Carole Zajac	10,000m	34:18.14
1994	Jennifer Rhines	5,000m	16:21.60
	Carole Zajac	10,000m	33:32.36
1995	Jennifer Rhines	5,000m	15:56.18
1996	Jennifer Rhines	5,000m	16:05.85
1998	Carmen Douma	1500m	4:16.04
1999	Carrie Tollefson	3000m	9:26.51
	Carrie Tollefson	5000m	16:09.51

CURRENT NCAA WOMEN'S
INDOOR RECORDS
SET BY VILLANOVANS

1987--	4 x 800	8:24.72
	Gina Procaccio Debbie Grant Michelle DiMuro Celeste Halliday	
1988--	Mile	4:28.3
	Vicki Huber	



In 1992, Nnenna Lynch won the 3,000m NCAA Outdoor Championship in the time of 9:24.59.

VILLANOVA NCAA CHAMPIONS

INDOOR EVENTS - 18 TOTAL

3000m	6
3200m Relay	5
Mile	3
5000m	2
800m	1
DMR	1

OUTDOOR CHAMPIONS - 14 TOTAL

3000m	7
5000m	4
10,000m	2
1,500m	1



Carrie Tollefson finished her Villanova career with four NCAA individual track championships.



Gina Procaccio ran a leg on the 3,200m relay team that captured a national championship at the 1987 NCAA indoor meet.



VILLANOVA RECORDS

INDOOR WOMEN'S EVENTS

EVENT	MARK	ATHLETE	DATE
60y	6.4	Jennifer Whitfield	2/3/79
60m	7.58	Charmaine Walker	2/20/00
55m HH	7.63	Charmaine Walker	3/14/98
60m H	8.10	Charmaine Walker	3/10/00
55m	7.10	Cathalina Staye	2/17/96
200m	24.42	Kia Davis	1/19/97
300y	36.40	Jennifer Whitfield	3/3/79
300m	39.63	Celeste Halliday	2/12/86
400m	54.11	Michelle Bennett	1/28/89
440y	56.33	Jennifer Whitfield	3/12/82
500m	1:10.81	Michelle Bennett	2/17/91
600y	1:21.23	Jennifer Whitfield	3/12/84
800m	2:04.69	Celeste Halliday	3/6/88
880y	2:08.89	Veronica McIntosh	2/19/83
1000y	2:26.97	Celeste Halliday	3/8/87
1000m	2:42.13	Gina Procaccio	3/13/87
1500m	4:17.85	Vicki Huber	3/8/87
Mile	4:28.31	Vicki Huber	2/5/88
3000m	8:54.48	Vicki Huber	1/28/89
Two Miles	9:56.35	Vicki Huber	1/17/87
5000m	15:17.28	Sonia O'Sullivan	1/25/91
Three Miles	16:14.82	Jan Yerkes	3/5/83
High Jump	5'11 1/4"	Peggy Stewart	3/12/82
Long Jump	19'5"	Patty Bradley	3/4/84
Triple Jump	42'7 3/4"	Marlena Robinson	3/4/01
Shot Put	46'11"	Melinda Boykin	2/10/02
20 lb Weight	55'	Melinda Boykin	2/16/02
Pentathlon	3669 pts.	Peggy Stewart	3/7/81
Mile Relay	3:41.55	Gina Procaccio, Debbie Grant, Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday	1/17/87
4 x 400 Meter Relay	3:39.36	Kia Davis, Kesha Walley, Leashia Rahr, Tamiaka Grizzle	3/1/97
Two Mile Relay	8:33.94	Michelle DiMuro, Sonia O'Sullivan, Vicki Huber, Michele Bennett	2/3/89
Distance Medley Relay	10:54.34	Celeste Halliday Kathy Franey, Michelle DiMuro, Vicki Huber	1/30/88
4 x 800 Meter Relay	8:24.72	Gina Procaccio, Debbie Grant Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday	3/14/87
Pole Vault	11'11 3/4"	Michelle Ezzie	2/16/02

OUTDOOR WOMEN'S EVENTS

EVENT	MARK	ATHLETE	DATE
100y	11.6	Pat Robinson	4/12/78
100m	11.80	Kia Davis	4/6/96
100m hurdles	13.01	Charmaine Walker	5/5/01
200m	24.31	Michelle Bennett	5/7/89
400m	52.59	Michelle Bennett	4/6/91
400m hurdles	55.84	Patty Bradley	6/2/84
800m	2:00.47	Debbie Grant	7/25/87
1500m	4:05.81	Sonia O'Sullivan	8/3/91
Mile	4:28.77	Vicki Huber	8/8/88
3000m	8:37.25	Vicki Huber	9/25/88
Two miles	10:50.1	Jan Yerkes	4/2/83
5000m	15:26.90	Sonia O'Sullivan	7/8/90
Three miles	16:29.1	Jan Yerkes	4/2/83
10,000m	32:22.96	Carole Zajac	4/23/92
High jump	5'10"	Peggy Stewart	4/24/81
Long jump	19'8"	Marlena Robinson	4/25/99
Triple jump	42'10"	Marlena Robinson	5/6/00
Discus	156'5"	Anne Melnick	5/4/97
Shot put	48' 7"	Melinda Boykin	5/19/01
Javelin	184'3"	Jen Pastore	4/25/96
Pole Vault	11'11 3/4"	Michelle Ezzie	5/4/02
Hammer	180'11"	Melinda Boykin	5/4/01
Hepthlaton	5248 pts.	Melanie Sklepko	4/25/96
400m Relay	46.48	Charmaine Walker, Sherese Price Leashia Rahr, Marlena Robinson	4/16/99
1600m Relay	3:35.79	Leashia Rahr, Kia Davis, Tamiaka Grizzle, Kesha Walley	5/25/97
3200m Relay	8:20.66	Debbie Grant, Veronica McIntosh, Joanne Kehs, Patty Bradley	4/28/84
6000m Relay	17:18.10	Nnenna Lynch, Sonia O'Sullivan, Cheri Goddard, Kathy Franey	4/26/90
Distance Medley Relay	10:48.38	Kathy Franey, Michelle Bennett, Celeste Halliday, Vicki Huber	4/28/88
Sprint Medley Relay	3:45.45	Kesha Walley, Cathalina Staye, Abby Hunte, Tosha Woodward	4/29/94

VILLANOVA WOMEN IN THE MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (SINCE 1982)

YEAR	NCAA OUTDOORS	NCAA INDOORS	ECAC OUTDOORS	ECAC INDOORS	NCAA CC	BIG EAST OUTDOORS	BIG EAST INDOORS	BIG EAST CC
2002	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	8th	5th	6th	3rd
2001	N/A	N/A	22nd	12th	24th	6th	8th	4th
2000	t-15th	5th	5th	6th	20th	1st	1st	3rd
1999	8th	4th	8th	9th	21st	4th	4th	1st
1998	35th	17th	9th	14th	1st	6th	4th	6th
1997	11th	9th			DNP	1st	1st	3rd
1996	17th(T)	10th	6th	20th(T)	2nd	2nd	4th	2nd
1995	11th	4th	8th	5th	3rd	2nd	2nd	2nd
1994	4th	10th	6th	DNP	1st	4th	3rd	1st
1993	21st(T)	4th	DNC	DNP	1st	4th	1st	1st
1992	15th	3rd	5th(T)	DNP	1st	8th	3rd	1st
1991	7th	3rd	7th	DNP	1st	2nd	1st	1st
1990	8th	5th	4th	1st	1st	2nd	1st	1st
1989	9th(T)	2nd	3rd	DNP	1st	1st	4th	1st
1988	15th(T)	2nd	4th	1st	DNP	1st	1st	4th
1987	11th(T)	3rd	6th	1st	DNP	1st	1st	1st
1986	DNP	19th	5th	3rd	13th	2nd	1st	1st
1985	27th	11th	4th	1st	16th	1st	1st	2nd
1984	13th	3rd	2nd	1st	9th	1st	1st	1st
1983	DNP	16th(T)			14th	1st	1st	2nd

DNP = Team did not participate, however, some individuals may have competed. (T) indicates tie.



WORLD RECORDS

INDOOR EVENTS

5000m

Sonia O'Sullivan
15:17.38 1/25/91 Terrier Classic, Boston U.

3200m Relay

Kelly Toole, Debbie Grant, Joanne Kehs, Veronica McIntosh,
8:33.60 3/9/85 NCAA Indoor Championship
Gina Procaccio, Debbie Grant, Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday
8:25.5 2/8/87 Sunkist Invitational ¹
Gina Procaccio, Debbie Grant, Michelle DiMuro, Celeste Halliday
8:24.72 3/14/87 NCAA Indoor Championship

¹ - TAC/USA rule that the Myriad Arena Track was not standard, therefore TAC/USA does not recognize this time as a world record performance.

WORLD INDOOR BESTS

(for events run only in U.S.)

Two Mile relay

Michelle Bennett, Sonia O'Sullivan, Vicki Huber, Michelle DiMuro
8:37.75 1/28/89 Kodak Invitational
Michelle DiMuro, Sonia O'Sullivan, Vicki Huber, Michelle Bennett
8:33.94 2/3/89 Millrose Games ²

Distance Medley Relay

Debbie Grant, Celeste Halliday, Gina Procaccio, Vicki Huber
11:00.76 2/8/87 Sunkist Invitational
Celeste Halliday, Kathy Franey, Michelle DiMuro, Vicki Huber
10:54.34 1/30/88 Coca-Cola Classic Invitational ²



Celeste Halliday was a member of the DMR team that set a world indoor record on Feb. 8, 1987.

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Michelle DiMuro teamed with Michelle Bennett, Sonia O'Sullivan and Vicki Huber to set a world indoor record in the two-mile relay.

OUTDOOR EVENTS

2000m

Sonia O'Sullivan
5:25.36 7/8/94 Edinburgh, Scotland ²

WORLD OUTDOOR BESTS

(for events run only in U.S.)

6000m Relay

Michelle DiMuro, Sonia O'Sullivan, Kathy Franey, Vicki Huber
17:22.58 4/28/89 Penn Relays
Nnenna Lynch, Sonia O'Sullivan, Cheri Goddard, Kathy Franey
17:18.10 4/26/90 Penn Relays ²

Distance Medley Relay

Mary Ellen McGowan, Veronica McIntosh, Patty Bradley, Lauren Searby
10:53.97 4/28/84 Penn Relays
Kathy Franey, Michelle Bennett, Celeste Halliday, Vicki Huber
10:48.38 4/28/88 Penn Relays ²
² - current world record as of 1/31/97



On July 8, 1994, in Edinburgh, Scotland, Sonia O'Sullivan established a world record in the 2,000m run with a time of 5:25.36.



ALL-TIME PERFORMERS

100m		10,000m		Pole Vault	
11.80	Kia Davis	32:22.96	Carole Zajac	11'11 3/4"	Michelle Ezzie
11.94	Cathalina Staye	33:15.88	Jennifer Rhines	9'4"	Keely Fallon
11.95	Charmaine Walker	35:07.3	Jan Yerkes	9'	Abby Smagala
12.30	Marissa Maggio	35:07.54	Ann McGranahan		
12.4	Pat Robertson	35:26.65	Sarah-Vance Goodman		
12.4	S. Margaretha				
200m		55m Hurdles		Pentathlon	
24.31	Michelle Bennett	7.63	Charmaine Walker	3669	Peggy Stewart
24.42	Kia Davis	7.83	Kia Davis	3561	Melanie Sklepko
24.44	Jennifer Whitfield	8.14	Sherese Price	3519	Pat Bradley
24.46	Cathalina Staye			3370	Mary Ann Wojciski
		60m Hurdles		3163	Cassy Bradley
400m		8.10	Charmaine Walker		
52.59	Michelle Bennett	8.34	Sherese Price	Heptathlon	
54.15	Tosha Woodward			5243	Melanie Sklepko
54.29	Veronica McIntosh	100m Hurdles		4473	Peggy Stewart
54.33	Celeste Halliday	13.01	Chamaime Walker	400m Relay	
		13.28	Kia Davis	46.48	Miami Invitational, 4/3/99
500m		13.61	Sherese Price	46.95	Big East, 5/5/96
1:10.81	Michelle Bennett	400m Intermediate Hurdles		47.26	Big East, 5/5/02
1:11.94	Debbie Grant	55.84	Patty Bradley	47.38	Big East, 5/8/83
1:12.26	Celeste Halliday	56.44	Lori Lancaster	47.45	Villanova Invitational, 4/13/96
		59.15	Debbie Grant		
800m		59.76	Leashia Rahr	880m Relay	
2:00.47	Debbie Grant	High Jump		1:44.8	AIAW Nationals, 3/3/79
2:01.52	Veronica McIntosh	5' 11 1/4"	Peggy Stewart	1:45.0	EIAIW, 3/7/82
2:01.69	Tosha Woodward	5' 7 1/2"	Kristina Schrier	1:45.8	Navy Invitational, 1/21/83
2:02.49	Michelle Bennett	5' 6"	Mary Ann Wojcicki	1:46.57	Delaware Invitational, 2/21/82
2:02.71	Celeste Halliday	5' 5 1/2"	Melanie Sklepko		
		5' 4"	Ann Marie Voit	1600m Relay	
1000m		Long Jump		3:35.79	ECAC, 5/25/97
2:38.68	Sonia O'Sullivan	19' 8 1/2"	Marlena Robinson	3:36.34	NCAA, 6/1/85
2:42.68	Gina Procaccio	19' 5"	Patty Bradley	3:36.78	ECAC, 5/22/94
2:44.29	Celeste Halliday	18' 5 1/4"	Melanie Sklepko	3:37.31	NCAA, 6/2/94
2:44.68	Carmen Douma	18'0 1/2"	Katie Blackett	Mile Relay	
2:44.95	Debbie Grant	17' 9 1/2"	Nanni Torres	3:41.55	Eastman Invitational, 1/17/88
2:45.45	Kim Certain			3:42.19	Eastman Invitational, 1/17/88
		Triple Jump		3:45.48	AIAWA, 5/22/82
1500m		42' 10"	Marlena Robinson	3:46.03	NCAA, 6/2/84
4:05.81	Sonia O'Sullivan	40' 10 1/4"	Katie Blackett	3200m Relay	
4:07.40	Vicki Huber	37' 4 1/2"	Janeille Mathews	8:20.66	Penn Relays, 4/28/84
4:12.49	Kathy Franey	35' 6 1/4"	Nanni Torres	8:24.3	Penn Relays, 4/26/86
4:14.87	Nnenna Lynch	35' 2"	Christa Heyward	8:24.72	NCAA, 3/14/87
4:15.19	Gina Procaccio	34' 11"	Melanie Shlepko	8:25.22	Penn Relays, 4/30/94
4:16.04	Carmen Douma			Two Mile Relay	
Mile		Javelin		8:33.94	Panasonic Millrose Games, 2/3/89
4:28.31	Vicki Huber	184' 3"	Jen Pastore	8:37.75	Kodak Invitational, 1/28/89
4:29.60	Sonia O'Sullivan	152' 0"	Jenny Rahn	8:41.9	Panasonic Millrose Games, 2/5/88
4:33.91	Brigid Leddy	145' 6"	Melanie Sklepko	8:43.6	AIAW, 4/26/79
4:37.36	Carmen Douma	142' 5"	Christine Heffernan		
4:37.37	Kathy Franey			6000m Relay	
		Discus		17:18.10	Penn Relays, 4/27/90
3000m		156' 5"	Anne Mielnik	17:22.58	Penn Relays, 4/27/89
8:37.25	Vicki Huber	155' 5"	Melinda Boykin	17:29.32	Penn Relays, 4/25/97
8:52.65	Sonia O'Sullivan	152' 4"	Sarah Hunt	17:30.10	Penn Relays, 4/26/91
9:05.04	Kristine Jost	146' 6"	Christine Heffernan		
9:06.66	Jen Rhines	Shot Put		Sprint Medley Relay	
9:09.46	Nnenna Lynch	48' 7"	Melinda Boykin	3:45.45	Penn Relays, 4/29/94
9:10.30	Cheri Goddard	45' 5 1/2"	Connie Sweet	3:46.45	Florida Relays, 3/25/94
9:10.46	Cheri Goddard	44' 5 1/4"	Christine Heffernan	3:56.4	Mason-Dixon Relays, 4/22/89
9:12.09	Carrie Tollefson	44' 2 3/4"	Sylvia Taggart	4:14.77	Princeton Relays, 4/8/82
9:13.02	Carole Zajac			Distance Medley Relay	
9:13.70	Kate Fonshell	20 LB. Weight Throw		10:48.38	Penn Relays, 4/30/88
		55'	Melinda Boykin	10:49.81	Penn Relays, 4/27/90
Two Miles		53' 5"	Sarah Hunt	10:53.37	Penn Relays, 4/29/89
9:56.35	Vicki Huber	53' 3/4"	Christine Heffernan	10:53.97	Penn Relays, 4/28/84
10:22.4	Lauren Searby	45' 5 3/4"	Lauren Kobel		
		Hammer Throw		Sprint Medley Relay	
5000m		180' 11"	Melinda Boykin	3:45.45	Penn Relays, 4/29/94
15:17.28	Sonia O'Sullivan	166' 4"	Sarah Hunt	3:46.45	Florida Relays, 3/25/94
15:41.12	Jennifer Rhines	162'	Christine Heffernan	3:56.4	Mason-Dixon Relays, 4/22/89
15:52.89	Carole Zajac	137'	Lauren Kobel	4:14.77	Princeton Relays, 4/8/82
15:51.62	Carrie Tollefson				
16:08.72	Ann McGranahan				



WILDCAT HISTORY

by Holly Stratts,
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What does it take to sustain a great athletic program? Simple question — multi-faceted answer. The anatomy of Villanova's track and field program has all the necessary requirements. Its past and present stars have left their marks on record books both nationally and internationally. The future looks quite promising as well.

OLYMPIC METAL

In the Olympic track and field competitions, four former Villanova women's track & field standouts have made a total of seven appearances. Vicki Huber (class of '89) was the first Villanova female to earn a spot on an Olympic team when as a Wildcat junior she made the 1988 United States squad that competed in Seoul, South Korea. In 1992, Sonia O'Sullivan (Class of '92) represented her native Ireland in her first of three Olympic appearances. Villanova's most prolific Olympic year was 1996, as three former Wildcat stars competed at the Atlanta Games. Both Huber and O'Sullivan made their second Olympic Games, while Kate Fonshell (Class of '90) represented the United States in her first Olympics. This past summer in Sydney, Australia, O'Sullivan ran in her third Olympics and Jen Rhines (Class of '96) made her Olympic debut, running for the United States. O'Sullivan became the first Villanova female to earn a medal at the Sydney games, claiming the silver medal in the 5,000m run.

- 1988 Seoul Games** — Vicki Huber (U.S.)
- 1992 Barcelona Games** — Sonia O'Sullivan (Ireland)
- 1996 Atlanta Games** — Kate Fonshell (U.S.), Vicki Huber (U.S.), Sonia O'Sullivan (Ireland)
- 2000 Sydney Games** — Sonia O'Sullivan (Ireland), Jen Rhines (U.S.)

THE HEAD COACH

While each team over the years had its own character and personality, its own way of winning, one element remained constant — the value of a great head coach. Villanova's list of head coaches is surprisingly short:

• **Women's program** — Jim Thompson, 1979-81; Bob Stoudt, 1982-84; Marty Stern, 1984-94; and John Marshall '85, 1994-98; Marcus O'Sullivan '84, 1998-2000, Gina Procaccio (2000-present). (The program became a varsity one in 1982).

A significant hire was made on June 7, 2000 when Gina Procaccio became the sixth head coach and the first female head coach in the program's 21-year history. Procaccio was a natural selection for the position having run and serving as an assistant on the Main Line for five seasons.

PENN RELAY CARNIVAL

Over the last century, there have been many shining lights and victorious competitions for the Wildcats in track. Perhaps Villanova's greatest presence has come at the Penn Relays.



Sonia O'Sullivan made Villanova track history at the 2000 Summer Olympics, when she became the first Villanova female to earn an Olympic medal when she captured the silver in the 5,000m.

Making their debut in 1979, the Wildcats won their first championship during the 1979 Carnival, when Jennifer Whitfield, Sue Shea, Bridgid Leddy and Dorianne Lambelet teamed to capture the 3200m relay. Since that first victory in 1979, the Villanova women have gone on to win a total of 27 Penn Relay championships including nine DMR titles, nine 3200m relay wins, eight 6,000m victories and one 1600m relay crown. The Wildcats dominated the early 90's at the Penn Relay, winning 17 total relay championships. On four occasions in the 1990's, Villanova was a triple winner, claiming the 3200m relay, the DMR and the 6000m relay in the same year.

There have been many Villanova women who have left their mark at the Penn Relays. Topping the list is Michelle Bennett (1988-91) and Kathy Franey (1986-90) who share the record for winning the most Penn Relay watches as members of winning relay teams with seven. Vicki Huber (1985-89), Sonia O'Sullivan (1989-91) and Krestena Sullivan (1993-97) are a close second with six watches.

The Villanova women have also left their mark on the world at the Penn Relays. On four different occasions, the Wildcats set a world outdoor record at the Penn Relays. The first world record was established on April 28, 1984 when Mary Ellen McGowan, Veronica McIntosh, Patty Bradley and Lauren Searby ran 10:53.97 in the DMR. Four years later on April 28, 1988, Kathy Franey, Michelle Bennett, Celeste Halliday and Vicki Huber set a world record in the DMR in 10:48.38. The other two world records came in the 6000m relay team in 1989 (Michelle DiMuro, Sonia O'Sullivan, Kathy Franey and Vicki Huber) and 1990 (Nnenna Lynch, Sonia O'Sullivan, Cheri Goddard and Kathy Franey). The 1989 team was timed in 17:22.58, while the 1990 squad ran 17:18.10.



WILDCAT HISTORY

THE ULTIMATE ATHLETE/SCHOLAR

Two Villanovans in track and cross country have been named Rhodes Scholars, demonstrating their excellence in the classroom and on the track. Qualities considered in the selection process include academic excellence, integrity, leadership ability and athletic prowess.

First to achieve this international award was Nnenna Lynch '93. A sociology major, Lynch had a 3.93 GPA when she was chosen in December 1992. During the 1992 cross country campaign, she finished third overall at the NCAA Championships. At the same time, Villanova won its fourth consecutive (in a string of six) NCAA team championships; Lynch ran on all four teams. The Wildcats were undefeated in cross country during her four years (28 consecutive meets).

In December 1994, Becky Spies '95 became the second Villanovan to be awarded this two-year postgraduate scholarship to Oxford university. Spies, a biology and philosophy major with a 3.86 GPA, became a four-time All-American in track and cross country. She finished third in the NCAA Championships while helping her team to win its sixth consecutive title.

CROSS COUNTRY

7 national championships

The Villanova women's cross country team dominated the sport from 1989-98. In that span, the Wildcats won seven team National Championships including six in a row from 1989-94. Villanova's seventh title came in 1998. Even though the Wildcats did not win the championship in 1995 and 1996, they placed second both years. The seven titles rates as the most by any women's cross country program. Amazingly, every Villanova women's cross country runner was a member of a National Championship team in the 1990's.

Besides dominating the team standings, Villanova runners also came away with the individual National Champion in six of the seven years they captured the team title. In 1989, Vicki Huber took home individual honors, followed by Sonia O'Sullivan who won back-to-back champi-

onships in 1990 and 1991. In 1992 and 1993, Carole Zajac claimed the individual honors, while Jen Rhines placed first in 1994 and Carrie Tollefson earned the top spot in 1997.

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Nnenna Lynch won the prestigious NCAA Woman of the Year Award in 1993.



The 2000 Villanova women's track & field team celebrates after winning the eighth Big East Outdoor Track & Field title in the program's history.



RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE

In 1995, the Villanova University Athletic Department began the annual tradition of honoring former Wildcat track & field standouts. Each year, a select number of former Wildcat greats is brought back for a weekend on the Main Line, helping alumni and current students to relive the glory days of Villanova track & field.

October 7, 1995

Vicki Huber 1986-89
Sonia O'Sullivan 1987-91

September 26, 1998
Carole Zajac 1990-94

October 2, 1999
Jen Rhines 1992-96

October 21, 2000
Veronica McIntosh 1981-85



Vicki Huber was among the first group of women's track & field stars to be elected to the Wall of Fame.



Carole Zajac, who was named to the Wall of Fame in 1998, won many awards during her career including the Honda Broderick Award in 1992 and 1993.



The latest inductee to the Wall of Fame was Veronica McIntosh who was inducted on Oct. 21, 2000.



Jen Rhines was awarded for her outstanding Main Line career by being elected to the Wall of Fame in 1999.



OLYMPIANS



Vicki Huber (#573 on left) participated in both the 1988 and 1996 Olympic Games.

VILLANOVA

**WOMEN'S
TRACK & FIELD
OLYMPIANS**

1988	Vicki Huber
1992	Sonia O'Sullivan
1996	Vicki Huber Sonia O'Sullivan Kim Certain
2000	Kate Fonshell Sonia O'Sullivan Jen Rhines



Sonia O'Sullivan earned a silver medal at the 2000 Summer Olympics.



Kate Fonshell ran for her native United States at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Ga.



Jen Rhines competed in the 10,000m run at the 2000 Games in Sydney, Australia.



COLLAGE OF NCAA & PENN RELAY INDIVIDUAL/RELAY TITLES

HISTORY OF CHAMPIONS...



Sonia O'Sullivan, Michelle Torelli, Michelle Bennett, and Irene Ruopoli celebrate after winning the 4x800m relay at the 1991 Penn Relay Carnival.



The 4x1500m relay team received their championship plaque from Bill Cosby at the 1997 Penn Relays.



Nnenna Lynch, Cheri Goddard, Chris Gentile, and Kate Fonshell ran 17:43.33 to win the 6,000m relay at the 1992 Penn Relays.

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Carmen Douma (left) and Carrie Tollefson (right) combined to win seven NCAA individual track & field titles during their collegiate careers.



COLLAGE OF NCAA & PENN RELAY INDIVIDUAL/RELAY TITLES

**26 NCAA CHAMPIONS,
6 NCAA RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS,
27 PENN RELAY TITLES**



After winning the 4x1500m Championship of America at the 1990 Penn Relays, team members posed for a picture with track great Roger Bannister.



Michele Torelli, Michelle Bennett, Sonia O'Sullivan and Kathy Franey won both the 3,200m relay and DMR at the 1990 Penn Relays.



Debbie Grant, Celeste Halliday, current Wildcat head coach Gina Procaccio, and Michelle DiMuro celebrate after setting a world record and winning the 4x800m relay at the 1987 NCAA Indoor Championships.



The 1990 cross country team rolled to the largest margin of victory in NCAA women's cross country history with a 90 point victory over runner-up Providence.



ACADEMIC HONOR ROLL

RHODES SCHOLARS

1992 - Nnenna Lynch, Cross Country/Track
 1994 - Becky Spies, Cross Country/Track

NCAA WOMAN OF THE YEAR

(Presented each year to the nation's top collegiate female student-athlete.)
 1993 - Nnenna Lynch, Cross Country/Track

THE MARGARET WADE TROPHY

(Presented annually to the nation's top collegiate women's basketball player.)
 1987 Shelly Pennefather

THE HONDA-BRODERICK CUP

(Presented annually to the nation's top collegiate women's student-athlete.)
 1989 Vicki Huber

THE HONDA-BRODERICK AWARD

(Presented annually to 10 of the nation's top collegiate women's student-athletes in 10 sports.)

- 1988 Vicki Huber, Track & Field
- 1989 Vicki Huber, Cross Country
- 1990 Sonia O'Sullivan, Cross Country
- 1991 Sonia O'Sullivan, Cross Country
- 1992 Carole Zajac, Cross Country
- 1993 Carole Zajac, Cross Country
- 1994 Jen Rhines, Cross Country
- 1998 Carrie Tollefson, Cross Country

NATIONAL BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

Paul Arizin, Villanova University/Philadelphia Warriors (NBA)

GTE/COSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN OF THE YEAR

(Awarded each year by the GTE Corporation, as voted by the College Sports Information Directors of America [CoSIDA]).
 Vicki Huber ('89) - Cross Country/Track, 1989
 Nnenna Lynch ('93) - Cross Country/Track, 1993

ECAC AWARD OF VALOR

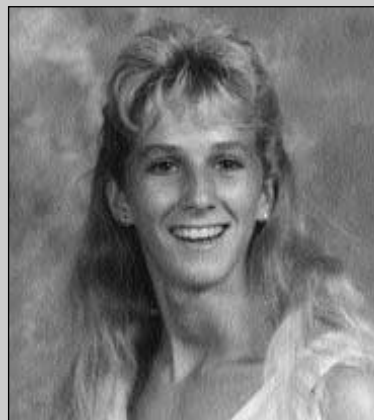
1990 Jeremy Worrell, Football
 1991 Jennifer Peacock, Field Hockey



Cross Country/Track and Field standout Becky Spies was named a Rhodes Scholar in 1994.

NCAA POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS 1964-2000

- 1970 - Andrew O'Reilly, Track/Cross Country
- 1972 - Thomas Aretz, Swimming
- 1972 - Marty Liquori, Track/Cross Country
- 1977 - David Graziano, Football
- 1978 - Glenn Bogue, Track
- 1980 - Donald Paige, Track
- 1983 - John Pinone, Basketball
- 1983 - Carlton Young, Track
- 1988 - David Echeverria, Diving
- 1989 - Rich Spugnardi, Football
- 1991 - Carol Haux, Track
- 1993 - Nnenna Lynch, Track/Cross Country
- 1994 - Lisa Flood, Swimming
- 1995 - David Herr, Baseball
- Becky Spies, Track/Cross Country
- 1999 - Liz Lauwaert, Swimming



Carol Haux was awarded a post-graduate scholarship in 1991.

NCAA TOP EIGHT AWARD

(Presented each season to the top eight collegiate student-athletes by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Formerly Top Six award until 1994.)



Nnenna Lynch

Vicki Huber ('89), Fall, 1989, Track/Cross Country

Nnenna Lynch ('93), Fall, 1993, Track/Cross Country

Lisa Flood ('94), Fall, 1994, Swimming & Diving



Vicki Huber



REV. EDMUND J. DOBBIN O.S.A.



In his inaugural address on October 5, 1988, the Rev. Edmund J. Dobbin, O.S.A. likened an institution's identity to an individual person's identity; as something ultimately unique. Villanova University's identity is embodied in its charter and its mission statement, but it also includes a collective consciousness. "Our identity is who and what we are, have been and aspire to become," Father Dobbin said.

Serving as the 31st president of Villanova University, Father Dobbin has guided the Villanova community into the 21st century with an enhanced sense of identity and a reaffirmed commitment to the University's Catholic, Augustinian mission. Through a comprehensive

strategic planning process and the careful management of endowment resources, Villanova has implemented innovative curricula, increased scholarship funding, expanded faculty endowments and improved its physical plant during Father Dobbin's tenure.

Villanova's record of achievement under the Dobbin presidency has had a wide-reaching impact. This year, for the 12th time, U.S. News & World Report has recognized the University's commitment to teaching and learning in its selection of Villanova as the number one ranked regional institution in the North.

The hallmarks of an Augustinian education – the relentless pursuit of knowledge, the commitment to community, and the integration of mind, heart and spirit – shape the thoughts and values of every member of the Villanova community. These traditions, combined with a commitment to educational excellence, solidify the University's mission and provide guidance for a future of unprecedented achievement.

A Superior Student Body

Over 10,000 students, including approximately 6,300 full-time undergraduates, from every state in the nation and more than 50 foreign countries, are pursuing their education at Villanova. Of those students accepted for enrollment each year, more than 120 qualify for the University's prestigious Honors Program and 44 percent of Villanova's incoming first-year students rank in the top 10 percentile of their high school class.

While Villanova students work hard and take advantage of the academic, professional and spiritual opportunities available to them, they also participate in 130 registered student organizations, compete on 11 men's and 13 women's sports teams at the NCAA Division I level, and more than 75 percent of Villanova students volunteer for community service.

Distinguished Faculty

Villanova's national and international reputation, as well as its students' academic experience, has been enhanced by its distinguished faculty. Nearly 90 percent of the 490 full-time faculty hold the highest degree in their respective fields. Members of the University's faculty have steadily garnered national recognition, including Fulbright Fellowships, Guggenheim Fellowships, and a host of teaching awards.

A Fellow Alumnus

Raised in Staten Island, N.Y., Father Dobbin received his Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy from Villanova in 1958. In 1962, he received his Master of Arts from Augustinian College as theological preparation for his ordination to the priesthood. In 1964, Father Dobbin received his Master of Science in Mathematics, with a minor in Physics, and in 1968, he received his Licentiate in Sacred Theology, both degrees from the Catholic University of America. In 1971, he received his Doctor of Sacred Theology from the University of Louvain, Belgium.

A recognized scholar and administrator, Father Dobbin served as a member of the Villanova University Board of Trustees from 1979 to 1987. He was appointed associate vice president for Academic Affairs in 1987, a position he held until his inauguration as University president in 1988.

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DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS, VINCE NICASTRO



Vince Nicastro enters his third year as the Villanova University Director of Athletics in 2002-2003. Nicastro will oversee all aspects of the Wildcat athletics program and will provide the leadership to carry the Villanova tradition of excellence into the 21st century.

Nicastro has been a member of the Villanova Athletics Department since 1994 when he came to the Main Line as the school's Director of Ticket Operations. He was promoted to Assistant Athletics Director in 1997, then elevated to the position of Associate Athletics Director soon thereafter. As an Associate Athletics

Director, he was responsible for overseeing the department's administrative functions, including business operations, personnel and staffing and the sports medicine and strength/conditioning programs. In addition, Nicastro has served as the designated sport administrator for many of Villanova's men's and women's varsity programs, working closely with the coaching staffs to plan and develop all aspects of their sport's programs. Nicastro also coordinated Villanova's summer camp programs and the department's information technology issues.

As the Director of Athletics, Nicastro is responsible for the overall supervision of a Villanova Athletics Department that is committed to excellence both in competition and in the classroom. The broad-based Wildcat athletics program is comprised of 24 men's and women's varsity sports and 550 student-athletes. In addition, club sports and an extensive intramurals program fall under the auspices of the athletic department. Villanova is a member of the Big East Conference, the Atlantic 10 Football Conference, and an associate member of the Patriot League in the sport of women's lacrosse.

During the 2001-02 season, Nicastro and the Wildcat Athletics Department put together yet another outstanding year both in the classroom and on the playing field. Highlighting the year was the 2.95 overall GPA of the Villanova student-athletes, marking the highest GPA ever for the Wildcat Athletics Department. In addition, 114 student-athletes tallied a 3.5 GPA or better during the 2001-02 academic year. On the national scene, four Villanova teams qualified for the NCAA Championships including women's basketball, women's soccer, men's cross country and women's cross country. Individually, the men's distance medley relay team and junior Adrian Blincoe captured NCAA indoor track & field championships, while running back Brian Westbrook earned the Walter Payton Award as the top offensive player in NCAA I-AA football. Academically, Sara Carlson was named an Academic All-American for the second straight year, while Sarah DePeters was chosen as the Patriot League Women's Lacrosse Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Nicastro has also been active both inside and outside the University, serving on many key committees including the recent Institutional Self-Study Task Force, the University E-Business Strategy Team and the Administrative Planning and Budget Committee. Nicastro previously served on the Big East Conference Golf Committee and is currently Chair of the Big East Conference Championships and Competitions Committee. Just recently, he was named to the Board of Advisors for the Florida Atlantic University Sports Management Program.

A 1987 graduate of Bloomsburg University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration/Accounting, Nicastro earned his MBA from St. Joseph's University in 1994. Nicastro and his wife Liz reside in Drexel Hill, Pa., with their two-year old twin sons, Jake and Casey.

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The Nicastro Family (L-R): Casey, Liz, Vince and Jake.



A GLIMPSE OF VILLANOVA

THE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1842 by the priests and brothers of the Order of St. Augustine, Villanova University is a comprehensive Roman Catholic institution that welcomes students of all faiths. The University offers a wide variety of degree programs through four colleges: the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Commerce and Finance, the College of Engineering and the College of Nursing.

A SOLID ACADEMIC REPUTATION

The oldest and largest Catholic university in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Villanova is one of 255 institutions — and one of 18 Catholic colleges and universities — in the nation to have a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the prestigious national liberal arts honors society. Recently, U.S. News & World Report ranked Villanova first in the North for the 12th time.

THE STUDENTS

Today Villanova University maintains an average annual enrollment of 10,275 including graduate and law school and part-time undergraduate programs. The full-time undergraduate enrollment is 6,295. The undergraduates come from 48 states plus Puerto Rico and 52 foreign countries. Ninety-two percent of our first-year students ranked in the top 30 of their high school classes.

THE FACULTY

Villanova's 490 full-time faculty, 90 percent of whom hold the highest degree in their field, teach classes that average 23 students. The student/faculty ratio is 12:1.

THE CAMPUS

Located in a suburban community 12 miles west of Philadelphia, the picturesque 254-acre campus features more than 60 buildings, including a library with more than 800,000 volumes and over a million microform items, a 12,000-seat stadium, and 27 residence halls.

THE EXPERIENCE

Villanova students may choose to study abroad for a summer, a semester, or a year; compete on one or more of 11 men's and 13 women's sports teams at the NCAA Division I level (football is Division I-AA); immerse themselves in Campus Ministry; and take part in any of more than 130 registered student organizations.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

In 2001-2002, Villanova offered more than \$4.8 million in merit-based academic scholarships to prospective freshmen. Villanova also offered over \$17 million in need-based financial aid to prospective freshmen through the Villanova Grant Program. This funding is provided by the University and does not include federal, state, and/or private assistance, which our students also receive.

ALUMNI

Villanova's 77,000+ living alumni maintain close ties with the University through a large network of alumni chapters and societies which may be found throughout the U.S. and abroad.

ACCREDITATION

Villanova and its programs have received accreditation from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the AACSB/International Association for Management Education, the American Chemical Society, the American Bar Association, the Association of American Law Schools, the Pennsylvania State Board of Nurse Examiners, the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission, the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, the National Catholic Education Association, and the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board. Villanova is a member in good standing of the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

ENROLLMENT

Admission to Villanova is very competitive. If you have a strong academic background and a wide range of interests, and if you're motivated to contribute to the intellectual and spiritual environment of our University community, then we encourage you to apply.

CLASS OF 2005 ADMISSION STATISTICS

Freshman applications received: 10,290 • Targeted freshman class size: 1,590 • Percentage of accepted freshman applicants who ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school class (where rank is given): 59 • Percentage of accepted freshman applicants who ranked in the top 20 percent of their high school class: 83 •

Percentage of accepted freshman applicants who ranked in the top 30 percent of their high school class: 92 • The middle 50 percent range of SAT I scores for the typical accepted applicant was 1220-1350 • The GPA range for the typical accepted applicant: 3.55-4.0.

OF THOSE WHO APPLIED

56 percent from public schools • 44 percent from private schools • 47 percent are men • 53 percent are women • 14 percent of freshmen have alumni/alumnae affiliation.

GETTING TO VILLANOVA

FROM NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND: Take the New Jersey Turnpike to EXIT 6 (Pennsylvania Turnpike exit). Follow the Pennsylvania Turnpike Westbound to EXIT 25A for Mid-County Interchange/I-476 Interchange. Follow I-476 South to EXIT 13 (Villanova/St. Davids). At the bottom of the ramp turn right onto Route 30, also known as Lancaster Avenue. Proceed East on Route 30 (Lancaster Avenue) for one-half mile and at the fourth parking lot you will see Villanova's main parking lot on the right. To reach the Main Gate entrance turn left at the next light (Ithan Avenue) and follow to the second drive on left, directly across from the Pavilion.

FROM THE WEST: Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike to EXIT 326 (formerly EXIT 24) for Valley Forge. Take I-76 (Schuylkill Expressway) to EXIT 28-A (I-476 South/Chester). Take I-476 South to EXIT 13 (Villanova/St. Davids). At the bottom of the ramp turn right onto Route 30 East, also known as Lancaster Avenue. Proceed East on Route 30 (Lancaster Avenue) for one-half mile and at the fourth traffic light you will see Villanova's main parking lot on the right. To reach the Main Gate entrance turn left at the next light (Ithan Avenue) and follow to the second drive on left, directly across from the Pavilion.

FROM THE SOUTH: Take I-95 North to EXIT 7 (I-476 North/Plymouth Meeting). Take I-476 North to EXIT 13 (Villanova/St. Davids). Proceed East on Route 30 (Lancaster Avenue) for one-half mile and at the fourth traffic light you will see Villanova's main parking lot on the right. To reach the Main Gate entrance turn left at the next light (Ithan Avenue) and follow to the second drive on left, directly across from the Pavilion.

