

We have some **THRILLING** news!

We've been searching for a way to create a replacement income stream that was once provided through the credit card program. We have a brand new bigger and better vehicle that's a no-brainer, but it only works if we get everyone on board! Online shopping is the way of the future, so we found a way to earn 2-20% cash back to Blue White by shopping from your favorite stores. We know grandparents, parents, and children shop online, so why not earn cash back at the same time— what a thrill!



Michael Jackson dancing to his 1982 hit, *Thriller*

Introducing FlipGive! Flip works with nonprofits, like us, to earn money back for a great cause. This

gives us the opportunity to give additional scholarship money to our deserving students. FlipGive is a simple and secure portal that allows you to search through over 120 of your favorite stores such as....



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2. Click on the "Shop" button!
3. Choose from over 120 online stores.

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find the store that you would like to shop at, Flip will take you directly to the store's actual website where you can do all your shopping. Each week, Blue White receives a report of how much shopping and earning was done! So what are you waiting for?

Executive Director's Message: Introducing FlipGive



Kate Cellucci, Executive Director, with her adorable Abby or more commonly called Abby, Dabby Doo-We Love You!

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Kate, We wish you a blessed Thanksgiving. The Foundation wouldn't exist if it wasn't for your generosity. I can't say "Thank—you " enough times or enough ways. You are all getting involved and it's making a remarkable difference. We need new donors and bigger donations and now we have some tools to do just that! Can't wait to see what happens with these new ideas.

Yes, you really do have a homework assignment from me. PLEASE, talk to your children and grandchildren about doing something nice (helping a student at Villanova graduate) and using our On-Line Shopping Portal at the Blue White Scholarship Foundation website www.BlueWhiteScholarship.org It costs no money to do this and yet it will be a tremendous tool to help raise scholarship monies for our young Villanovans, like Chris & Ryan Mazzie featured in this month's Newsletter. As referenced in the front cover and a play on Michael Jackson's song— *Thriller*, we are THRILLED OVER OUR Newly LAUNCHED — SHOP & EARN CAMPAIGN

It's just so easy!!! Please do your part to spread the word about our Shopping Portal. I am happy to send the directions above by E-mail for anyone who wants to send this to their Linked-In contacts & Facebook friends, but you can also find it on our website OTHER WAYS TO GIVE & SHOP & EARN pages.

If you are still working then please take advantage of our new Corporate Matching Donation tool on the web-site. We have partnered with DOUBLE YOUR DONATION to bring technology to our web-site that allows you to simply type in your Company Name and information to have your Company/ Community Giving Program pop up. DID YOU KNOW THAT MANY COMPANIES WILL MATCH A DONATION even for RETIRED EMPLOYEES?!!!!!!!

Lastly, we worked hard to make the web-site MOBILE FRIENDLY. Please check it out. Let me know what you think. The Adjacent page features 8 out of 14 Ways to Give featured on the OTHER WAYS TO GIVE page. All essential documents have been attached to make it easy to use , but please always feel free to call (610) 519-0777

Other Ways to Give Found on the New Mobile Friendly Website



IRA

The IRS mandates individuals 70 1/2 and older take Required Minimum Distributions from their IRA each year. Failure to do so is a 50% penalty!!! By donating the full or partial amount of your IRA, you can satisfy your RMD.

[Gift From IRA](#)



Gifts of Life Insurance

You enjoyed a safety net having Life Insurance, now, if possible, throw a life line by donating your insurance policy and answer a student's S.O.S.

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Gifts of Appreciated Stock

Your gift of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds will help students and give you significant economic benefits, too.

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Meet Our Scholars

These students are what drive the Blue White Mission year-in and year-out. We understand that not everyone can attend Blue White's events to meet the scholars in person, so we are bringing them to you. Each Newsletter will feature some of our outstanding scholars, sharing their background, and showing you how your contributions are assisting them. Our goal is to inspire you to share our mission with other alumni and your children who attended Villanova, so they too will be inspired to support the Blue White mission to "Bridge the Gap" for students who have an Unmet Financial Need & are "Working Their Way" through college.



Christian Mazzie

Hometown
Bay Shore, NY

Majors
Marketing &
Real Estate

Activities & Involvement: Club Baseball, Marketing Society, Real Estate Society

Career Aspiration: Commercial Real Estate

Favorite Quote: "Be yourself; everyone else is already taken" – Oscar Wilde

Extraordinary Circumstances:

In 2010, Christian's sister was diagnosed with a terminal blood disease which continues to present high medical bills, his parents have taken out a home equity line of credit to help pay for his education.

Work Experience: Christian works for his father's company in the summer and has interned at Hill Specialties. This Summer he worked in NYC for Cushman & Wakefield in their commercial real estate department.



Ryan Mazzie

Hometown
Bay Shore, NY

Majors
Finance &
Accounting

Activities & Involvement: Club Baseball, Equity Society, Real Estate Society, M&A Society

Career Aspiration: Work in Private Equity

Favorite Quote: "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." – Psalm 23:4

Extraordinary Circumstances:

The Mazzie family is now responsible for 3 Villanova tuitions, amidst their financial situation and medical bills.

Work Experience: Ryan has worked as a financial analyst intern at the Nature's Bounty Co and as a Summer Analyst at Hill Specialties. This summer he worked in NYC for Northeast Securities in wealth management. He has now accepted an offer to work for Goldman Sachs when he graduates.

The Mazzie Story– Thank You

Christian: Seven years ago, my younger sister was diagnosed with a rare blood disease called Hypoplastic Myelodysplastic Syndrome. This disease was causing my sister's bone marrow to shut down. Basically, her bone marrow was not producing the proper amount of red blood cells, white blood cells, platelets, etc. This caused my sister to have a very weak immune system. The doctors said that if this disease was not treated in the next couple of months that it would turn into an untreatable form of leukemia and that my sister would pass away in less than a year. This was scary news for my family. My brother and I were only entering our freshman year high school and my sister was supposed to start middle school. It was a lot to handle as a young kid growing up. The doctors told my parents that my sister needed a bone marrow transplant in the next couple of months to prevent the disease from turning into the untreatable form of leukemia. We had two chances at saving my sister's life. My sister could not be put on a donor list because the waiting list was over a year. It would have been too long. The only chance we had at saving our sister's life was either me or my brother.



Christian and Ryan with Jay Wright

Ryan: Being fraternal twins was a blessing in disguise as it increased the odds of finding a match for my sister. Christian and I would argue about who was going to be a match, both wanting to be the one to donate our bone marrow. After being tested we waited for the results. On August 23, 2010, Melina's 11th birthday, we got the phone call. I was sitting in the den watching television when my mom came in crying. She barely got out the words, "You are a perfect match." According to the doctors, I could not have been a better match in terms of the criteria they look for when conducting a transplant. That is by far the greatest blessing I have ever received.

Ryan: Given the severity of Melina's illness, and her rapidly declining health, the doctors moved things along rather quickly. The preparation for the transplant meant many trips to the hospital, Columbia Presbyterian, and lots of check-ups and tests. I remember the doctors trying to explain to me how the procedure worked, and I just cut them off and said, "I don't care what you need to do. You can cut me here, stitch me there, I don't care. Just do whatever it takes." The doctors were shocked, but I meant it. I would have given anything to save my sister's life. The thought of losing her terrified me.

Ryan: Melina was admitted to the hospital two weeks before the scheduled transplant date. In order to receive the bone marrow, she needed to go through an intensive treatment of chemotherapy to wipe her body clean of all her cells. She stayed in isolation at the hospital during this period, and remained there for a month after the transplant. While my parents were in the hospital with my sister, Christian and I held things down at home. My job leading up to the transplant was to stay healthy, as any impairment to health would make me unable to donate. This forced me to sit out my freshman football season. It was a critical season for me as I was on pace to win the starting quarterback position, but a sacrifice I would make 1000 times over.





Melina (left) and Ryan (right) on the day of Melina's bone marrow transplant.

Ryan: The transplant took place on September 28, 2010. My sister returned home from the hospital earlier than expected, just before Halloween. We had a crowd of people waiting outside the house to welcome her home. She was so surprised and excited to see everybody. She greeted them through the big window in the front of our home. She could not embrace them with hugs and kisses. Doing so would compromise her health. You see, the doctors describe the transplant as a "rebirth." Effectively, my sister had the immune system of a newborn baby. Therefore, everything in the house had to be sterile, no visitors were allowed, and if one of us got sick were had to

go live at grandma's for the time being.

Ryan: When my sister was in the hospital, my brother and I were sheltered from the reality of her medical condition. To be honest, I didn't realize how hard she had it until she came home and I witnessed firsthand the battle she was up against. The medicine took such a large toll on her physically. Yet, no matter how much pain she was in physically, she never let it affect her mentally. Her attitude was always positive, and even more amazing, selfless. When the doctors told her that she was going to lose all her hair due to the chemotherapy, the first question out of her mouth was, "Can I donate it?" When she was attached to her IV pole used for many of her medications, she named it "Polina" which led to lots of jokes and laughs. Melina even taught herself how to play guitar by watching YouTube videos. She always had a smile on her face.

Christian: My sister had experienced some of the most traumatizing events a person could face, yet she stayed positive throughout it all. I seriously mean this. She was always smiling. She would joke about herself being bald, she taught herself how to play guitar watching YouTube videos in the hospital and even wrote a song about her medical journey. It was puzzling to see a kid be so happy even though they are aware that they could die at a young age.

Ryan: Things were going great until October 2013. Hurricane Sandy was crashing down on the shores of Long Island. I woke up to find that my sister and father weren't home. Pretty odd. I asked my mom what was going on, and she explained that Melina had to go to the hospital in the middle of the night. Later testing would reveal she suffered two strokes that night, as my sister was diagnosed with CNS Vasculitis. All the medication she was on from the bone marrow transplant caused the blood vessels in her brain to narrow, making her susceptible to strokes. In all she has had five strokes.

Ryan: This new condition led my parents to the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) for treatment. This treatment required high doses of steroids, which resulted in extreme weight gain. There was nothing my sister could do about it, as these medications were keeping her alive, yet my sister was viciously bullied over the internet. I never saw her so upset throughout her entire journey. It infuriated me that people could be so ruthless and hurtful, but it was Melina who calmed me down and told my whole family to shake it off. Since then her treatments have gone down, and she still visits CHOP for checkups.

Christian: In the summer going into my sister’s senior year of high school, my sister got the best news of her life. My sister had her monthly check up at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. I sat in on this appointment with my mom and dad. When the appointment was over the doctor said to my sister, “Melina where are you thinking of going to college.” My sister replied “I think I am going to stay local and go to community college so I am close to home.” My sister hated answering this question because it upset her that she couldn’t go away to school like her friends. The doctor responded, “I think you should go away to school, you only get to go to college once.” My parents, sister, and I all looked at each other confused and my sister responded, “What do you mean? How would that work?” The doctor replied, “What if you went to a school near here so that way you can go away to college and also be close to the hospital in case of an emergency” My sisters face lit up when the doctor said this. She was so excited. She went home after that trip and started researching schools near Philadelphia. After a couple of months of searching my sister was dissatisfied. She couldn’t find a school that she wanted to go to.

Christian: Eventually around November my sister told my family the truth. She said, “The only school I want to go to is Villanova. That is the one school I truly love. It feels like home already because we always visit the boys and it would be great to have them there one year as I make the transition. The only reason why I didn’t tell you guys is because I know we don’t have any money to send me there.” My parents were heartbroken. They felt so bad because they wanted the best for daughter. She had been through so much in her short life and they wanted her to have the same opportunity as my brother and I. My parents felt that she shouldn’t be treated differently just because they didn’t have the money to send her there.

Ryan: I hope you can understand just how much this scholarship means to me. My family truly believes that every penny counts. So on behalf of my family and myself, thank you. I eagerly await the day that I can pay your gift forward, and make a difference in someone else’s life the way you have made a difference in mine.



Ryan, (left), Melina (center), and Christian (right) at Melina’s high school graduation



My family being honored by the Hope & Heroes foundation for my sister's work with the foundation. Her team, Smiles for Melina, raises money each year for children with cancer and blood disorders.

Ryan: Fast-forward to this past May. The decisions from Villanova came out. My brother and I were on the phone with my family at home. Melina clicked on the link and the celebratory “Congratulations” video roared in my ear. I immediately started to cry, thanking God for continuing to amaze me, and reflecting on all that my sister has overcome. It was an amazing moment.

Christian: We were all so happy for her, but now we were thinking of how we could get my sister scholarships to pay for school. We were hoping to hit a home run and receive a full scholarship from one of the many she has applied for. We thought that with my sister's story and all that she has accomplished that someone or some foundation might award her. She tried the Villanova Presidential scholarship, but got denied. All that was left were partial scholarships. She was blessed and received two partial scholarships. Our family was grateful to receive these gifts, but in hindsight this is only accounted for \$10,000 out of the \$250,000 that it is going to cost to put my sister through school. Hopefully she can find a way to get more scholarships.

Ryan: As you can imagine, my sister's medical history has taken a significant financial toll on my family. My dad was forced to take time away from his business, while my mom continued her teaching job in order to keep the health insurance. Not to mention my sister was diagnosed right in the middle of a complete renovation of our home. Thus, when it came time for my brother and I to decide on a school, financial aid significantly influenced our decision. My parents maxed out on debt, opening a home equity line of credit, so my brother and I could attend Villanova. They put the house's money on us and our success, knowing that Villanova will provide us with tremendous opportunities.



Team Smiles for Melina at the annual Hope and Heroes walk in Manhattan. The team was started by my sister, and every year we raise money for children with cancer and blood disorders.

Ryan: I share this story with you because it has had a tremendous impact on my life. My sister is by far my role model. My younger sister is the person I look up to. The courage, positivity, and selflessness she has displayed over the course of her life is truly admirable. When Melina got sick, I realized how precious life is. It was a humbling moment for me, so humbling that it brought me to my knees by my bedside one night, as I sobbed out to God for help. It was in that moment my relationship with the Lord began. I have Him and my sister to thank for all of my blessings.

Ryan: My sister taught me to never make excuses and never give up. I wanted to be as successful as I could in all that I did so that she could relish in it with me. I saw how her illness handicapped her life, and I made a promise to myself to live my life for her. Every test I aced, every touchdown I threw, every homerun I hit, every award I received all of it was for her. She is the reason why I chose to attend Villanova. I wanted to go to a Catholic school because of the faith I found through her, where I could chase my dream of becoming a professional baseball player, while lining myself up for a career on Wall Street if I come up short on the diamond. I have always been driven and motivated, but she has allowed me to soar to new heights.

Christian: My family is so thankful for every contribution that is made to us. We appreciate every gift that we get. That is why we are very appreciative that my brother and I were awarded the Blue White scholarship. Every donation helps are we are humbled to have donors like you in our lives. My family is in a hard time right now, but when we make it out of our rut, we will definitely give back. It is our duty to give to those in need. I will make sure I specifically donate back to this foundation because you went out of your way to help lessen my family's financial burden. It has greatly impacted my family and I want to put smiles on other families faces when they are in a time of need by helping them out. We all need to help each other. That is what life is about.



**The Mazzie Family at Avalon Lobster Night 2017
where the brothers were the guest speakers.**

Student Spotlight: Christian Mazzie– Broker



“Top Broker- in the Making”

Christian Mazzie is ready to dominate the commercial real estate scene upon graduation in May of 2018. As a Marketing major, Christian knew that he wanted to pursue a career in Sales, but was unsure what he wanted to sell. In the fall of his junior year, he became intrigued by the idea of selling commercial real estate for a living. He sat down with the Director of the DiLella Center for Real Estate at Villanova University that November and decided to pick up a Real Estate co-major. He was ready to get started on his journey.

Always wanting to learn about what is going on in the industry, Christian constantly connects with commercial real estate professionals. He has built a strong network over the last year, and thanks Blue White for helping him develop some great relationships. “If I had not been involved with Blue White, I wouldn’t have been introduced to my mentor Stan Moore. Blue White has opened many doors for me and I am very grateful for that.”



This past summer Christian worked under Patrick Murphy at Cushman & Wakefield in Manhattan. Murphy is considered one of the Top 10 Office Leasing Brokers in Manhattan according to The Real Deal. While working at Cushman & Wakefield, Christian was responsible for qualifying prospects for Murphy’s team. He had an incredible experience and says that he now knows what it will take to flourish in the ultra competitive market.

Christian is currently in the process of deciding where he wants to work after he graduates this spring. It is safe to say that he has fallen in love with commercial real estate. He strives to become a power player in the industry.

Student Spotlight: Ryan Mazzie- Investment Banker



Throughout high school, I always envisioned myself working on Wall Street. There was just something about it that naturally drew me towards it, not to mention my sparking curiosity is stocks, bonds, and finance as a whole. Although I knew I wanted to work on Wall Street I did not know exactly what it was that I wanted to do in the wide world of finance.

Coming to Villanova, I knew that if I worked hard the opportunity to pursue a career on Wall Street would be there for me at the completion of my four years. The university has provided me with peers, organizations, and mentors that exposed me to a variety of careers in finance. As a freshman I joined the Mergers & Acquisition, and that is where I found investment banking. The more I learned about banking the more I loved.

As an athlete, I was immediately drawn to the competitive nature of investment banking, and the challenge of pushing oneself to their limits. Furthermore, the learning curve within an investment bank is second to none. As an analyst I would be

surrounded with highly intelligent individuals. This creates the opportunity for me to learn from them, as well as teach others over time. Lastly, the activities of an investment bank have a major impact on the overall macro economy. To work on projects that significant is very cool. It excites me to think that one day I could pick up the Wall Street Journal and see the announcement of a deal that my team had been working on.

Realizing that investment banking is what I wanted to do following graduation was the first, and easiest, step in the process. Then the challenge of breaking into banking began. Traditionally, the best way to get a job in banking out of undergraduate is to secure internships in the field. However, having spent the past four years being scouted by the New York Mets as a left handed pitching prospect, I never had the opportunity to intern at an investment bank. My summers were filled with playing baseball, and interning at smaller, non-investment banking companies to gain professional experience. Following this summer, I decided to hang up the spikes, realizing that my passion for the game was lost and my passion for finance was growing exponentially. All of my efforts and focus were put towards getting into an investment bank. This was a daunting challenge for someone in my position: a senior with no prior investment banking experience. However I was not going to let this discourage me. I reached out to as many banks as I could, really tapping into the Villanova network. I am beyond thrilled to say that my hard work has paid off. Following graduation I will be an Investment Banking Analyst at Goldman Sachs in New York City in their Financial & Strategic Investors Group.



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October Act of Kindness– Dennis Kelly



Both recipients for the Acts of Kindness were chosen because of the notes they sent in along with their check. When envelopes are opened the tedious job of updating database information and doing the accounting entries begins. When there are short notes accompanying checks it is a very rewarding feeling so I wanted to share a few of their heart warming comments and highlight our fellow Villanovans. The first is from Dennis Kelly, a Health & Safety Specialist of Sunoco Logistics Partners in Pittsburgh PA . For a couple of years now, he

has told me that he would donate based upon performance . He has raised his donation amount for 3 years in a row now. After he read the July & August Newsletter, he sent in an extra check with these comments: “I love the winners especially Chris Rura and Preston Whiteman. Chris is from Homer City, PA in Indiana County. You know I went to grad school at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. We need more Western Pennsylvania at Villanova. Anyway, Homer City used to be a boom town when the mines were going. They also had a big Joy Mining Machinery. The town really went on hard times though. So very glad we were able to help Chris out.....I want to go skeet shooting with Preston– he can give me some pointers!”



*We salute all our veterans!
Happy Veteran's Day!*

November Act of Kindness– Robert (Bob) Biese



Most people who have visited "Nellybelle" at the Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles have come to see the Jeep driven by Pat Brady, cowboy star Roy Rogers' sidekick in the 1950s TV series. Bob Biese had a quite different reason for visiting and sitting in "Nellybelle" a 1946 Willys modified for the "Roy Rogers and Dale Evans Show." He'd come to pay homage to Brady, who'd saved his father's life during World War II.

November 11th is Veteran's Day and here at Blue White Scholarship Foundation, we would like to say thank you to all of our veterans and their families for all that they do. We recently received a letter and article from a BWSF donor Bob Biese.

This article was written by Ron Devlin and published in the Reading Eagle, Reading, PA February 4, 2013



Pat Brady, comic sidekick of Roy Rogers, during WWII



Pat Brady, right, with Roy Rogers

"My father lived a long life as a result of Pat Brady's bravery," Biese, 69, a retired Spring Township engineer, said during a recent visit to the museum. " Biese told a story of fate, courage and heroism in 1944 on a battle-ground in France.

Capt. Joseph J. Biese, 25, a New Jersey man who'd earned a battlefield commission, was commander of a tank whose bow gunner was a witty aspiring actor the Army designated Pfc. Robert E. Brady, also known as Pat Brady.

In November 1944, Biese's unit, part of Patton's 10th Armored Division, had approached Metz, a German-held town near the junction of France, Germany and Luxembourg in mid-November 1944. Patton had issued

orders to take the historic town, whose architectural treasures include the Basilica of St. Pierre aux Nonnains and the oldest opera house in France.

Biese, ranking officer in the unit, ordered his tank to go through the town first. It did, with no resistance. Then, as Biese opened the hatch to radio an all-clear to Patton's command post, a German sniper lobbed a shell into the tank. The driver and the turret gunner died instantly, and Biese was badly burned in the ensuing explosion. Brady, positioned in the lower front of the tank, escaped uninjured through a forward hatch. Pat Brady carried Biese three miles to the nearest aid station.

The Army awarded Brady a Bronze Star for "courageously assisting in the evacuation of several casualties at Kirchnaumen, France, on Nov. 17, 1944." "My dad said that Pat Brady, who'd starred in more than 100 episodes of the Roy Rodgers show, was a gentleman, a great friend, a good soldier and



Bob's father , Joe Biese was commander of a tank during WWII.



The late Joseph J. Biese's Purple Heart, captain's bars, campaign ribbons and other awards.

funnier than hell - very much the person he was on TV," recalled Biese. Joseph Biese would spend more than four years recuperating in Walter Reed Army Hospital, where he underwent more than 40 major surgeries and countless minor procedures. Despite having lost a leg, the elder Biese went on to a successful career as a mechanical engineer. He was 85 when he died in 2004.

"Many soldiers suffered greatly in World War II," he said. "My Dad spoke of the horror and courage. But not everyone had a hero who'd saved their life at his own peril, and to my father, that was Pat Brady."

October Donor of the Month– John Maguire '61



John Maguire proud of his Irish heritage loved to wear his green jacket

The first time I sat down with John Maguire and spoke to him about the plight of Villanova students he listened intently. At the end of lunch he wrote out a check for \$2,500 and asked me if he could get involved and be of service. I said “yes” and the rest is history. John continuously raised money for the students. He ran out of the first and second box of BWSF Business Cards that I gave him. He asked his friends to write checks to Blue White instead of giving him a birthday present; he made bets playing golf and the purse money went to Blue White, he picked up the check for dinner with friends and family and asked them to write a check to Blue White for the same amount that dinner would have cost. (This was on top of the \$5,000 he would personally give each year.) I could go on, but needless to say, John was the consummate “Salesman.” He believed in helping others, but he did so in a manner in which he received no public recognition. He always started a conversation with “What can I do for you?” He considered himself a servant for our Lord and didn’t just talk the talk, but walked the walk. I write in the past tense because John passed away October 3. His mass was con-celebrated by 7 priests. The celebrant, Reverend John P. McNamee, described John as a “Christian Gentleman” and quoted the words of blessed St. John

Neuman, “A true Gentleman never hurts or offends another.” During the mass, one of our board members turned to me and said, “Wow I never realized we had such a true gem. I responded that I always knew. John treated me like an adopted daughter and I will quote Thomas Aquinas to describe a true and dear friend, “There is nothing on this earth more to be prized than true friendship.” I will miss him dearly.



There was nothing John wouldn't do for his family. His son Tom described a trip to Disney World. The children wanted to go on the Space Mountain roller coaster. He did it for them and proceeded to drop afterwards He laid down under the sign that said-if you have a heart condition don't go.

During the funeral, I discovered that John's family asked that in lieu of flowers that John's friends send money to the Blue White Scholarship Foundation. I asked one of his children to write a story about their Dad. Here it is:

“We can honestly say that one of the first songs that John Maguire's five children learned the lyrics to was, “V, for Villanova, V for victory. B for Blue and W for White, for the Blue and the White we will fight, fight, fight.”

And that's what he did, championing causes for people he

never, or barely, knew. As we've come to learn over and over again since he passed away Oct. 3, his actions spoke louder than any of our words ever could.

It's no surprise to us that two of our Dad's greatest passions, Villanova University (a proud member of the class of 1961) and helping complete strangers would manifest itself in him working for the Blue White Scholarship Foundation. Like any human being, John Maguire was many things rolled into one. He cared deeply for his family. His Catholic faith provided a moral compass his entire life. He was devoted to his sports teams (the Phillies, Eagles and Villa-

November Donor of the Month - John Maguire's Family

nova basketball being the most prominent, and the order of importance depended on which team was in season!) He was passionate about his work and his golf, which often intersected. By no means was he *only* these things, but they were the ones at the surface that most people witnessed first hand. What many people didn't know was what he did behind the scenes with no one watching. He only wanted his God to see.

There's an old TV show, MASH, that helps describe our father. One of the character's family traditions was always to do something for someone less fortunate around Christmas, but the key was, it *had* to be anonymous. How many of us do things in this world so we can get credit for them? Not our Dad. That episode epitomized our father.

When our brother Michael's wife passed away in February, it turns out that our Dad made donations to the charity Michael created (Little By Little) in Kim's name. Dad made Michael promise to keep his contributions anonymous. You get more credit with God if no one knows you did it, he would often tell us.

Our Dad truly lived those words as we found out after his passing. Like how he paid for an inner-city church's Christmas decorations, but only the pastor knew. Or how when a few churches were consolidated in Philadelphia and some parishioners weren't able to make it to church due to the distance, our Dad found out and paid for them to take a bus to mass -- *for four years*. And best we can tell, no one knew about it until the day of his funeral.

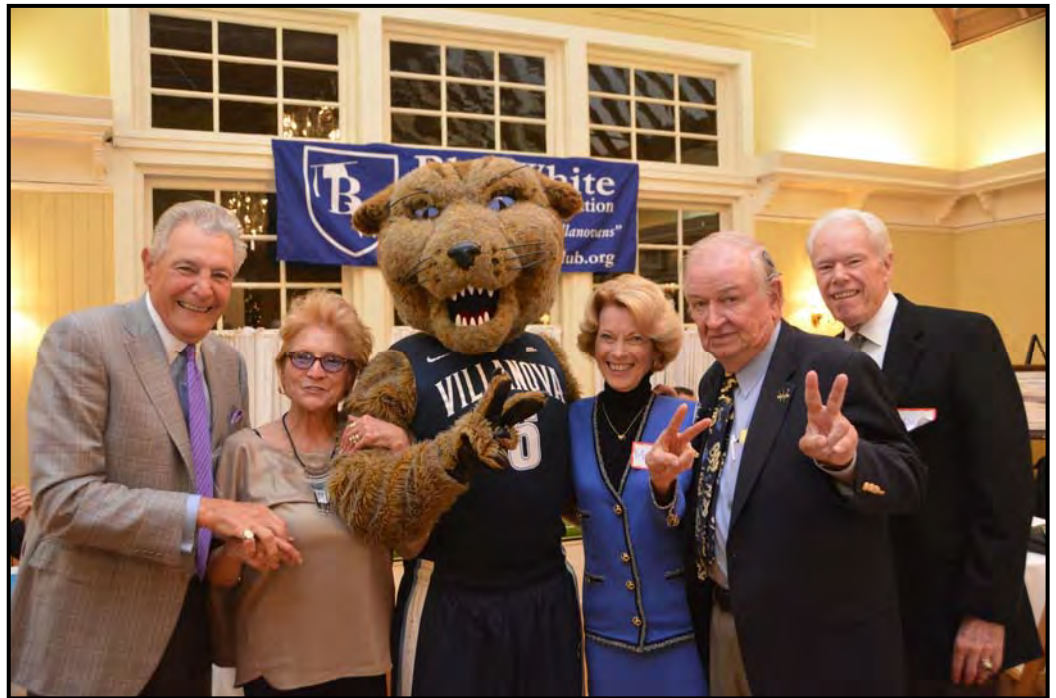
Not only did our Dad show compassion by his own example, but he also taught others how to do it in his own humble way. Our Dad sold metals, and we later found out that earlier this year he told a company that he worked for that he didn't want a commission for one of his sales. Instead, if they wanted, they could send the check to the Little By Little foundation. Sure enough, they received \$750 in the mail and that helped pay for T-shirts that the foundation used as a fundraiser.

Like so many other things he did, he taught his children to act the same way. A couple of summer's ago, his son Kevin mistakenly took a bunch of beach badges home from the Jersey shore. He called his father to pay for them, but Dad wasn't taking the money. He simply told them to send the check to the Blue White Scholarship Foundation. We'd be willing to bet this happened many other times that he never told us about.

He took great pride in handing out his business cards that promoted the Blue White Scholarship Foundation to help students at Villanova that ran out of money through no fault of their own. He understood the value of education and how important it was in his own life, so naturally he wanted to help others in need.

One of the greatest things our Dad taught us was love. Love for our family, love for God, love for all human beings, and often love for those less fortunate. Even after his death, he continued to show us how we should live our lives.

He often told us that when St. Peter tallied up his good deeds and bad deeds, he'd need a few more on the positive side. We suspect St. Peter marked him down for birdie on every single hole of his lifetime scorecard."



Life long friends, Robert (Bob) Liberatore, Gail Weber, Wil D Cat, John Maguire, Mary Jo Liberatore and Don McGinley at the BWSF Homecoming Party '2016

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Our Gang!



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Gay & Ed Hartwell
Under Autumn Leaves



Dr. Ronald (Bud) Russo, former Team Doctor for Villanova Athletic teams from 1970-1990 and one of the original founders of the Wildcat Club , a predecessor to the Blue White Scholarship Foundation, is reunited with one of his patients he treated for allergies as a small child. She was just ecstatic!



The Seeger's reunite with grand daughter & VU track star McKenna Keegan



Blue White Scholars, Ally, Tricia, Kayla and Michell want to know: "What's happening?"



Blue White Scholar Katie tries out her engineering skills playing Corn Hole



Class of '85 Cooking Burgers on the grill



Board member, Dr. Alfred Wolanin & his Family

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Growing larger every year the incredible Hobson clan knows how to throw a party! John Hobson is a former Board Member



Above: Supporting Blue White's Shop & Earn Campaign all the way! Part of board member Kevin Scanlon's tribe.

Right: Kate Cellucci & Bob Errico getting ready for some football!





Football player #13 Sam Shoud's family before big game



Walter Hauck & Joe Hare trying to top stories



Halloween Football Moms vow to put a spell on the team!



Ann Maurer happily co-hosted our Blue White tailgate. There was plenty of beer, soda and all kinds of goodies.



Mike Shaud, Anthony Dellomo, Art & Mary Ryan forever young!



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