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Positive Momentum



President Danielle N. Ripich, Ph.D.

“DESPITE THE WORST ECONOMY IN DECADES,
THE UNIVERSITY CONTINUES TO THRIVE AND GROW.”

Summer is a time to reflect and be thankful—and in a year of great economic challenges, we have much to be thankful for. I would like to share some of UNE's good news with you.

UNE graduated 1,077 students at our 2009 commencement ceremonies, the largest class ever. Our students are poised to enter the competitive work force, graduate or professional school with the benefit of a UNE education. The experiences students have acquired here – be it in the classroom, internships/fellowships, research, study abroad, or athletics – will serve them well. UNE students are highly sought after. Throughout this academic year, students shared with me many stories about how UNE has enriched their personal and professional lives. I am inspired by their work ethic and their commitment to making the world a better place, and I look forward to continuing to hear their stories as UNE alumni.

Our incoming class this fall is not only expected to be at a record level again, but also more competitive. By being thoughtful about recruiting students and remaining attentive to their needs, we have also increased student retention and transfers into the university. All of this positive momentum is occurring at a time when many universities are struggling. It is a testament to UNE's academic excellence and first-class faculty.

I am also delighted to share the good news that our new College of Pharmacy has received its final pre-candidacy status by the national Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education. This means the council has approved the College's academic and clinical programs, so we can welcome our first class of Pharmacy students this fall.

Despite the worst economy in decades, the University continues to thrive and grow. UNE seems to be making connections with our students in a powerful way.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danielle Ripich". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Danielle N. Ripich, Ph.D. | President

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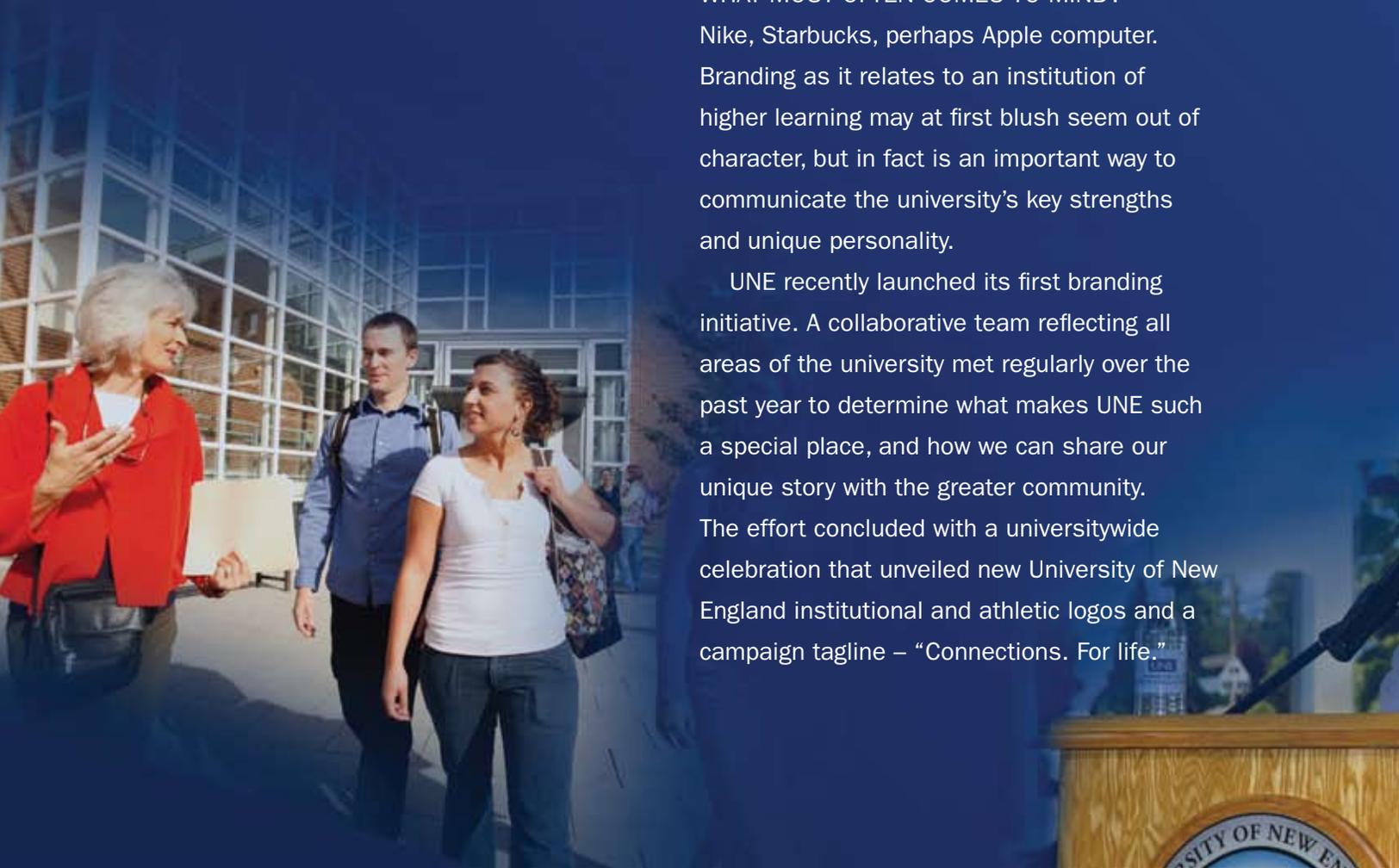


Connections. For Life.

By Kathleen Taggersell

WHEN ONE THINKS OF A BRAND, WHAT MOST OFTEN COMES TO MIND? Nike, Starbucks, perhaps Apple computer. Branding as it relates to an institution of higher learning may at first blush seem out of character, but in fact is an important way to communicate the university's key strengths and unique personality.

UNE recently launched its first branding initiative. A collaborative team reflecting all areas of the university met regularly over the past year to determine what makes UNE such a special place, and how we can share our unique story with the greater community. The effort concluded with a universitywide celebration that unveiled new University of New England institutional and athletic logos and a campaign tagline – “Connections. For life.”



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UNIVERSITY LOGO & ATHLETICS LOGO

ABOVE: UNE's new institutional
and athletics logos

BELOW: President Ripich
shares front-page athletics
news at the launch
celebration



"Simply stated, a brand is what people say about you when you leave the room," said UNE President Danielle Ripich, Ph.D. at the launch celebration. "... We know the 'buzz' about the University of New England is incredibly positive, so we sought to research, capture and define those unique elements that make us UNE." The launch celebrations occurred at each campus and were enthusiastically attended by UNE students, faculty, staff and friends. Coincidentally, they also occurred the same week that UNE's men's and women's basketball teams were entering their conference championships, so the excitement level was palpable.

The branding process was a journey of discovery, but mostly one of affirmation – about UNE's rich history, core strengths, and distinctive characteristics. Unifying all of these elements in a compelling and authentic campaign was the ultimate goal.

The university partnered with a leading higher education research firm to gather input from close to 2,000 faculty, staff, students, alumni, and prospective students (graduate, professional and undergraduate). They sought to first learn how UNE is perceived by these groups, and then identify the core strengths (see next page).

A resounding theme also emerged. The research revealed that UNE is a place where students can make personal connections, professional connections... where they discover how to connect important ideas, and prepare to live a successful career and life.

"At a larger institution, a student might be lost in the crowd and not able to take advantage of things like individual connections to faculty, ability to conduct research, and more flexible requirements," said Stephan Zeeman, UNE Professor of Marine Sciences. His



BRAND ROLLOUT EVENT

Students gathered in the Campus Center for the logo unveiling

sentiments were shared by many others, from alumni to students.

The resulting tagline, "Connections. For Life." authentically captures the many layers of meaning of the UNE experience. The campaign is appearing in student recruitment materials, print ads, university publications, and train and airport displays. It is also being integrated into a new university website that will be launched this fall.

After considering many new logo options, complete with iconic symbols, the university determined that, once again, our strength is in our name. We are UNE. The new university logo is at once bold but simple. The color palette builds upon our existing institutional colors of blue, white and black, and includes important ties to our heritage with complementary colors of burgundy, gray and dark teal. The new athletics logo also captures the intensity, energy and momentum of our winning Nor'easters teams.

We are proud of our heritage and continue to build on the strength of the UNE identity that has grown from our University of New England, New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Westbrook College, and St. Francis College roots. Our story is compelling, and we look forward to the new chapters that will be written by each new generation of UNE students, each creating their own Connections. For Life.

CORE STRENGTHS



A Leader in the Health Sciences & Liberal Arts

UNE has earned a longstanding reputation for excellence in the health sciences, balanced with liberal arts programs that are equally strong. Improving lives, communities and society through the connection of knowledge to real-world problems and challenges is at the heart of the UNE experience.

Academically Challenging

Our research audiences cited academic challenge, quality, and quality of faculty as UNE's leading descriptors. In fact, alumni cited quality of academics as UNE's greatest asset – as “world class.” *U.S. News & World Report* has repeatedly recognized UNE as one of the “Best Universities” in the North that offer “a full range of undergraduate and graduate master’s programs. Students – both undergraduate and graduate – find numerous research and fellowship opportunities, and UNE consistently receives research grants from prestigious national sources such as the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, and National Endowment for the Humanities.

A Supportive Environment

UNE has a low undergraduate student-to-faculty ratio of 13:1, and students rarely find themselves in classes with more than 20 students. During the research conducted with students on campus, one of the greatest strengths cited was the lengths to which UNE faculty go to see that their student needs are being met. Faculty were described as committed, progressive, friendly, dedicated, and excellent teachers.

A Compelling Location

UNE's two campuses in coastal Maine strengthen the personalized environment that students find here, and offer proximity to all of the academic and support resources UNE offers. To minimize confusion and identify them by unique location, our two campuses have been renamed the Biddeford Campus and Portland Campus. The 540-acre Biddeford Campus features more than 4,000 feet of ocean frontage, while the beautiful, historical Portland Campus is in the heart of Maine's largest city, offering students access to internships and experiential learning opportunities in numerous professional settings.

A Focus on the Future

People and programs at UNE are driven by a spirit of innovation and creative thinking. Our commitment to research involves faculty-student collaboration, and is driven by the desire to improve lives and change the world.



NOR'EASTER PRIDE

The new logo was proudly displayed in many places at the launch celebration.

Communicating Our Brand



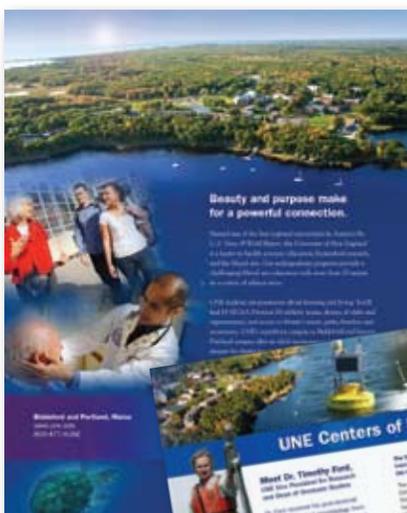
UNE's brand is more than just a logo and compelling tagline. Imagery, message and color all go into creating the consistent communication that reflects UNE's key strengths and unique personality.



NEW WEBSITE

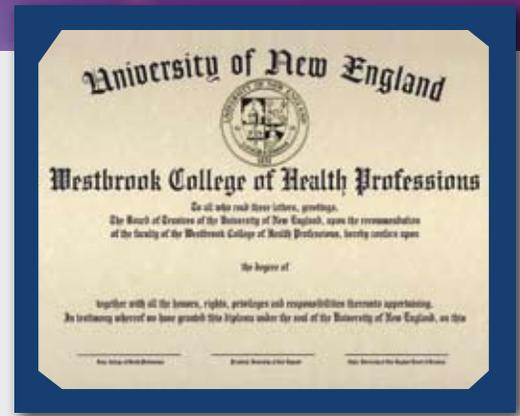
COMING SOON!

UNE's website integrating new design and features will launch this fall.



PUBLICATIONS & AD CAMPAIGNS

A series of national and regional ads and publications featuring UNE's core strengths and messages is under way.



Westbrook College of Health Professions

To honor Westbrook College's long history of academic excellence and its enduring legacy, President Danielle Ripich, Dean David Ward, and the University of New England Board of Trustees have approved the re-naming of the College of Health Professions to the Westbrook College of Health Professions.

The Westbrook College of Health Professions (WCHP) encompasses a range of health disciplines, including basic health sciences, nursing, dental hygiene, physical therapy, occupational therapy, athletic training & exercise science, nurse anesthesia, physician assistant, and social work. The mission statement of WCHP states:

"The Westbrook College of Health Professions improves the health of communities by graduating students who are passionate and well equipped to lead, excel, and act as agents of change in a complex health care system, by developing and disseminating new knowledge, and through the delivery of the highest quality relationship-centered clinical and community care."

This commitment to health, community, and academic excellence through dedicated faculty and students honors the Westbrook College heritage and her alumni. We are delighted to have the name of Westbrook College on a diploma once more!

JOIN US! > Dedication Ceremony

The dedication ceremony of the Westbrook College of Health Professions will take place on Tuesday, September 8 at 4 p.m. outside Hersey Hall on the Portland Campus. All alumni are invited to join with current WCHP students in the celebration.

WHEN RISK NETS REWARD



WHEN JASON MULLIGAN INTERVIEWED FOR THE HEAD COACHING POSITION OF THE MEN'S BASKETBALL PROGRAM IN JULY OF 2007, HE LAID OUT A PLAN THAT WOULD NET UNE A CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP.

LESS THAN TWO YEARS LATER, MULLIGAN AND THE NOR'EASTERS WERE CUTTING DOWN NETS AFTER CAPTURING THE 2009 COMMONWEALTH COAST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP.



By Curt Smyth

How they got there is a story of intrigue. After posting a 10-win improvement during Mulligan's first season, people had high expectations for the Nor'easters. UNE was ranked second in the 2008-09 preseason poll, with seven of the league's 14 head coaches voting the Big Blue as their pick to win TCCC.

The season started on a sour note, as the Nor'easters suffered a disheartening 85-71 road loss to Southern Maine to open the campaign. Three games later – after consecutive setbacks to St. Joseph's and Bowdoin – UNE stood at 1-3, not exactly the start people were expecting.

Mulligan and his players halted their skid Dec. 1 with an 88-77 victory over Colby, UNE's first victory over the Mules in more than 20 years. And while the Nor'easters still found themselves below the .500 mark at 2-3, Mulligan considered that victory as a key to turning the season around.

"I believe the win over Colby was the biggest of the season," reflected Mulligan several months later. "The previous year we had suffered our worst loss of the season to them; this win gave us confidence that we could beat anyone."

The Colby victory started a string of wins that stretched to a school-record 19 by mid-February. At the time it was snapped, the Nor'easters owned the second-longest win streak in the nation. Included in that stretch were regular-season tournament titles at the Paul Bunyan Classic hosted by Husson and UNE's own Jim Beaudry Classic.

As the saying goes, 'all good things must come to an end', and so did the Nor'easters' win streak on the road at Gordon on Feb. 18. UNE recovered with



LEFT: Coach Jason Mulligan led his team to their first TCCC championship and NCAA Tournament berth.

BELOW: Record-level crowds provided the energy and support to fuel the victories.

a resounding 81-63 victory over Nichols several days later to finish the regular season with a 21-4 overall mark and 12-1 ledger in conference play, leading to the top seed for The Commonwealth Coast Conference Championship.

A Force at Home

UNE took full advantage of the friendly confines of the Campus Center during the playoffs, averaging more than 800 fans per game to create a homecourt advantage that opponents Western New England, Salve Regina and Colby-Sawyer had difficulty to overcome.

In the championship game victory over Colby-Sawyer, a record crowd of 1,093 filled the Campus Center – many of whom arrived 1 ½ hours before tip-off to secure a seat. The raucous crowd helped the Nor'easters overcome a one-point halftime deficit on their way to a 90-79 victory for the program's first TCCC championship and NCAA Tournament berth.

Mulligan felt the support his team received during the tourney certainly fueled their run.

"The crowd was huge," he said. "They provided so much energy for us and helped will us to victory. My hope is that we can start a tradition of the Campus Center being one of the toughest places to play in New England."



The Big Dance

The Nor'easters learned of their fate during the NCAA Selection Show on March 2 – a trip to Providence, R.I. for a first round match-up with Farmingdale State College, a powerful squad that was upset in the finals of the Skyline Conference Tournament.

With its decided height advantage and ability to neutralize UNE's athleticism, the Rams cruised past the cold-shooting Nor'easters, 90-79. Farmingdale State went on to advance to the Elite Eight, where it lost to Richard Stockton – the eventual runner-up in the national championship game.

Naturally, the Nor'easters were disappointed with their early exit, but Mulligan and his troops viewed it as a learning experience.

"It was an eye-opener for us," he said. "For the first time all year, we faced a team that was more athletic and stronger than we were. We saw what it takes to be successful at the national level. That is something we will strive for in future recruiting classes."



Standouts Jaykyri Simpson (left) and Johnnie Jefferson (right) pose with the winning trophy.

Looking back, it was a pair of seniors who were the catalysts in a record-breaking season. Johnnie Jefferson and Jaykyri Simpson were each chosen first team all-conference, with Simpson being voted the TCCC Defensive Player of the Year. Jefferson torched the nets for 78 three-point field goals en route to averaging 15.4 points per game, while Simpson led the squad in rebounds (169), assists (106), steals (63) and blocked shots (17).

First-year Quentin Thompson supported the dynamic duo of Jefferson and Simpson by earning TCCC Rookie of the Year honors after averaging 11.8 points, 5.6 rebounds and 1.9 steals. Mulligan rounded out the award-winning Nor'easters by garnering TCCC Coach of the Year accolades.

Immeasurable Rewards

Finishing with a 24-5 record culminated a remarkable two-year turnaround – orchestrated by Mulligan – that saw a 19-win improvement during that period.

How was it possible in such a short amount of time?

"So many things had to come together, and they did," commented Mulligan. "It started with the three guys (Texans Jefferson and Simpson, along with Arizona native Chas Rentropé) I got to come

to Maine in August of 2007. They all had to take a risk to come up to Maine to attend school so far away from home and play basketball. Once I got them here, I realized how talented they were and sold them on my vision. They bought in...and great things happened."

Looking back, Jefferson and Simpson are pleased with how they parlayed the risks they each took into immeasurable rewards.

"I honestly never thought I would go to a different place so far from home," reflected Simpson. "I've met some of the nicest people here in New England. It's been a reward for me in terms of gaining new friends. I'm really looking forward to graduating, and I owe a lot to the professors who went out of their way to help me out along the way."

Jefferson could not agree more with his friend and teammate.

"Being from the South and making the adjustment to come (to UNE) was very brave," he said. "But, stepping out of my comfort zone made me more mature as a man. The people here welcomed me with open arms, making the transition a whole lot easier. Making the decision to come to Maine was the best decision I have ever made. These past two years have been the best of my life, and that makes me proud to say that I am a Nor'easter." ■



UNE Connect

YOUR WINDOW TO OLD FRIENDS... AND NEW!

In early August, UNE's Alumni Advancement office launched its own online alumni social networking site called UNE Connect. This program, which can be accessed through the UNE web site by clicking "Alumni and Friends" or directly at alumni.une.edu, provides all UNE alumni new opportunities to connect with one another electronically, similar to many of the popular social networking web sites currently available.

This site is available to all UNE, Westbrook College, St. Francis College, College of Osteopathic Medicine, and Westbrook College of Health Professions alumni. Once a member of the UNE alumni community is logged into the site, they can create their own profile, update their current contact and employment information, upload photos, post Class Notes, post a note on a message board, and even create their own blogs. One of the most popular features of the site is the Online Directory, which allows a signed-in member to search the database for a classmate, fellow alumni or classmates in their geographic area, or in a certain career field. Once you find someone you are looking for, it is

More information, including instructions on how to log in to UNE Connect, will be sent to each member of the alumni community. Check it out and get connected!

possible to send them a note through the community. And when you have found your classmates online, it is possible to create groups based on majors, programs, current professions, or interests.

"We are extremely excited about the potential of UNE Connect," says Amy Haile, Director of Alumni Advancement. "Not only does it provide our

alumni with an easy way to find and connect with one another and to update their contact information, it also enables the Alumni Office to communicate with folks much more easily with online event registration, e-mails, e-newsletters and lots more." UNE Connect also provides exciting career networking opportunities with the ability to search the alumni body by career field, as well as to post open positions, to volunteer to be a mentor, and to post a resume. UNE graduating students will also be able to use UNE Connect during their last year of school to make connections within the alumni network. ■



UNE student Kristen Murphy (left) chats with a resident at The Sarah Neuman Center for Healthcare & Rehabilitation.

UNE Medical Students Are Learning by Living

By Kathleen Taggersell

UNE PROGRAM GIVES MEDICAL STUDENTS FIRST-HAND EXPERIENCE LIVING THE LIFE OF AN ELDER RESIDENT IN A NURSING HOME TO IMPROVE THEIR PRACTICE AS PHYSICIANS.

The “Learning by Living” project was designed and piloted by Marilyn Gugliucci, Ph.D., UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine Director of Geriatric Education and Research, in 2005. Gugliucci is also President of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education. Since its inception, the Learning by Living program has “admitted” 10 medical students into area nursing homes to live the life of an elder nursing home resident for two weeks – 24/7 – complete with a medical diagnosis and standard procedures of care. The students journal incessantly (data for the project) on their experiences for subsequent study and analysis.

Since 2005, the Learning by Living program has “admitted” 10 medical students into area nursing homes to live the life of an elder nursing home resident for two weeks.



Marilyn Gugliucci, Ph.D.

“The goal of this program is to answer the question, ‘What is it like to live the life of an older adult who resides in a nursing home?’ Many students say they learned more in two weeks than in one year of medical school, and so far these results have been enduring.”

Dr. Gugliucci says, “The goal of this program is to answer the question, ‘What is it like to live the life of an older adult who resides in a nursing home?’ Students have been amazed that they have not focused on the frailties and disease of the older adults they were living with, but instead connected heart to heart and shared meaningful friendships. Many students say they learned more in two weeks than in one year of medical school, and so far these results have been enduring.”

The program takes a special kind of student, one who will commit to living as a peer with other nursing home residents – often in a wheelchair. The experience provides a unique perspective that enables UNE students to look beyond disease to treat the whole patient. This year, three UNE students participated in this research – David Ladley at the Life Care Center of Nashoba Valley, in Littleton, MA, Victoria Johnson at The Highlands in Fitchburg, MA, and Kristen Murphy at The Sarah Neuman Center for Healthcare & Rehabilitation in Mamaroneck, NY.

Kristen mused how her vision of seniors was rattled. “I assumed that those that lived in a nursing home were depressed, or hopeless,

and had just given up. Instead what I found out is very different; it's a rational choice. I envisioned my future role as a physician to be encouraging and enabling continued independence, but now I realize that's not the goal of every patient. I heard my second tale from a resident today who decided to move into a [nursing] home because she was tired of doing everything in the house and just wanted a break. I'm really going to have to work on this as I develop as a doctor – supporting my patients in decisions that I find personally challenging.”

One of a Kind

The UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine is the only medical school in the country undertaking the Learning by Living project. Gugliucci says, “The program has grown steadily since it was launched in 2005, and our goal is to nationalize it.” It has been featured in several gerontological publications, and the *New York Times* spent two days in June with Murphy, Gugliucci and the staff at the Sarah Neuman Center for an article scheduled to appear in the near future.

In addition to the valuable learning experienced by the UNE medical students, nursing home administrators have expressed that the program has resulted in environment enhancements for their residents and increased staff sensitivity to the challenges they face. ■

Will Vogt, first-year UNE medical student, at the Maine Veterans Home, Scarborough, Maine (2008)

“So much has happened in the last two weeks, so many days of personal growth. I started learning the first minute I was here and have not stopped since. I have touched the lives of patients, just because I was there to listen. I have helped the staff, just because I was younger and challenged elder stereotypes. I have helped the medical profession, just by wheeling a mile in the shoes of elders and making strides towards better medical education. And I know for sure that I have helped myself, by maintaining an open mind and allowing to be absorbed into the culture and keeping an open mind, and an open ear to those who wished to speak. I just hope it was enough, although I know it will never be complete. I must work harder to make this system work.”



Students Alice Li (left) and Will Vogt at the Maine Veterans Home

**College of Arts & Sciences
and Westbrook College of Health Professions**

Rita R. Colwell, distinguished university professor at the University of Maryland at College Park and at Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, and former Director of the National Science Foundation, addressed graduates at the University of New England's College of Arts and Sciences and Westbrook College of Health Professions 39th Commencement exercises held at the Cumberland County Civic Center.

Family and friends gathered to witness and celebrate the more than 1,077 associate's, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees awarded in health sciences, natural sciences, social sciences, human services, education, management and the liberal arts. An honorary doctor of science degree was also presented to Rita Colwell.

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COMMENCEMENT 2009

College of Osteopathic Medicine



Thousands of family members and friends gathered to witness as the College of Osteopathic Medicine awarded 123 doctor of osteopathic medicine degrees and 21 master of public health degrees at the 28th commencement ceremonies at Merrill Auditorium in Portland, Maine.

The graduating class included four dual D.O./M.P.H. recipients. Cardiologist Dr. Bernard Lown, co-founder of the Physicians for Social Responsibility and co-recipient of the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize, delivered the commencement address. Dr. Lown also received an honorary doctor of science degree. The University also awarded its prestigious Pioneer of Osteopathic Medicine Medal to John D. Downing and Ira M. Stockwell, Jr., D.O.

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UNE RESEARCH By Dick Buhr

Sulikowski's Saco River Research Nets Endangered Sturgeon

UNE ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MARINE SCIENCES James Sulikowski, Ph.D., got a surprise when he took a television reporter out on the Saco River for a story on the research he is conducting on Atlantic sturgeon as part of program called the Saco River Sturgeon Project.

With the camera rolling, Dr. Sulikowski and his students pulled up a short-nosed sturgeon, an endangered species, the first on record found in the Saco River. "It's crazy," said Sulikowski. "Nobody had any idea that we would catch a shortnose."



While the Atlantic sturgeon had seemingly disappeared for about 100 years, its more rare cousin had apparently never been seen in the Saco. At least not until researchers pulled one up June 16, 2009.

The Saco River Sturgeon Project is funded by the NOAA Species of Concern Conservation Program. The research will continue through December 2009. The findings from Sulikowski's research will provide state and federal agencies with important biological information about the Atlantic sturgeon's life history. Seven of his students are working on the project.

Recent sampling of the Saco River by Sulikowski and his students indicates that Atlantic sturgeon are now using the Saco River, but the extent is unknown. Acoustic receivers as well as gill nets have been placed within the river to capture data. Dell Computer has donated computers for the project.

In the United States, Atlantic sturgeon are divided into five distinct population segments (DPSs): Gulf of Maine, New York Bight, Chesapeake Bay, Carolina, and South Atlantic. Despite being intensely studied since the 1970s, many important aspects of Atlantic sturgeon life history are still unknown for many of the DPSs.

The lack of biological information has placed Atlantic sturgeon populations at risk of becoming endangered in two of the DPS units. This has led to their listing as a species of concern throughout their U.S. range. In the past, the Saco River was overlooked as a possible habitat to support Atlantic sturgeon, especially since past research failed to document the existence of this species within this watershed.

Sulikowski's research offers hope for the future of this species.

Prof. James Sulikowski (l) and student Devin Flawd (r) with an Atlantic sturgeon.

\$1.5M MTAF Grant Benefits Biomedical Research

UNE HAS RECEIVED A \$1.5 MILLION GRANT from the Maine Technology Asset Fund (MTAF) toward completion of the vivarium at the Pickus Center for Biomedical Research.

Maine Governor John Baldacci announced the grant June 9, 2009 in Augusta. Applicants from throughout the state applied for the highly competitive MTAF funds.

Timothy Ford, Ph.D., UNE Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies, said: "This award will not only contribute to training our biomedical workforce, but also to the success of critical research being conducted at UNE to reduce human suffering from neurological disease."

UNE's Director of the Center for Excellence in Neurosciences Edward Bilsky, Ph.D., added, "The MTAF grant will greatly enhance our ability to conduct important biomedical research at the University of New England and will expand our capabilities to partner with other institutions and companies in Maine and around the world. UNE is strongly committed to diversifying and growing the Maine economy through job creation, expansion of research programs that create intellectual property and startup companies, and the attraction of established businesses that want to relocate to Maine. We are clearly seeing the positive impact that biomedical research can have on economic development, and this continued investment by the state will provide even greater returns."

This is the second award UNE has received from MTAF in less than a year. Last August, UNE was awarded \$4 million to support drug development research at its new College of Pharmacy in Portland.



UNE's K-12 STEM Fellows Program

SPARTACUS A Systemic PARTnership Aimed at Connecting University and School

The project places graduate students in marine sciences and biology into six school districts in southern Maine as science resources for teachers.

AN INNOVATIVE PROJECT designed to partner UNE researchers and their graduate students with the local K-12 community was awarded a substantial \$2.87 million five-year National Science Foundation (NSF) grant.

Officially titled, "The Interactions of Biology, Chemistry and Physics at the Land-Ocean Interface: A Systemic PARTnership Aimed at Connecting University and School," the project is referred to as SPARTACUS.

The project, effective summer 2009, will engage Maine K-12 students and teachers in six Maine districts in inquiry-based learning in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)-

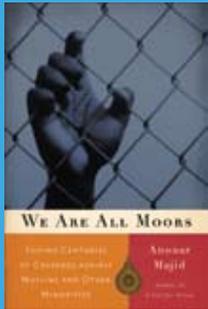
related disciplines. The interrelationships of physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics and geology will be examined in a local watershed using the Saco River Coastal Observing System.

UNE professors Stephan Zeeman, Dept. of Marine Sciences, Susan Hillman, Dept. of Education, and Charles Tilburg, Dept. of Chemistry and Physics, worked collaboratively to submit the successful program proposal. The project places graduate students in marine sciences and biology into six school districts in southern Maine as science resources for teachers.

The districts range from rural to urban settings and include the two largest and most ethnically diverse districts in Maine. They will use place-based education to strengthen the STEM skills of K-12 students by focusing classroom projects on scientific questions regarding climate and land-use, and their interaction with hydrology and materials in the Saco River and coastal waters of Maine.

Zeeman states, "By tying the Saco River into their own backyards, we aim to stir a level of interest early-on in students, especially those at the middle grades and among underrepresented groups, in STEM-related disciplines. We hope to make the STEM pipeline work better and increase the number of people entering STEM fields." This is the first time the University of New England has applied for and received this grant, which will be awarded, on average, \$574,000 annually for five years.

FACULTY BOOKSHELF



We Are All Moors
Anouar Majid, Ph.D.

Four hundred years ago in 1609, King Philip III ordered the expulsion of all Moriscos – Spaniards of Muslim descent – from Spain in an ongoing attempt to establish a homogeneous state and remove the last vestiges of Islam from his nation.

Today, many in Spain and Europe are once again outraged by the presence of Islam within their borders, and some believe the millions of Muslim immigrants now living there pose a fundamental challenge to European identity.

In his new book, *We Are All Moors: Ending Centuries of Crusades against Muslims and Other Minorities* (University of Minnesota Press), founding director of UNE's Center for Global Humanities Anouar Majid, Ph.D., contends that the acrimonious debates about immigration and Islam in the West are the cultural legacy of the conflict between Christians and Moors.

Offering a groundbreaking new history of the West's perception and treatment of minority cultures, Majid explores how "the Moor" emerged as the archetypal Other against which Europe would define itself. The characteristics attributed to this quintessential minority – racial inferiority, religious impurity, cultural incompatibility – would be reapplied to other non-European and non-Christian peoples: Native Americans, black Africans, Jews, and minority immigrant communities, among others.

The Moor, Majid reveals, has served as an unacknowledged but potent metaphor for all minority peoples in the West, endlessly reincarnated by the majority. Only by recognizing the connections between current fears about immigration and Islam and medieval Christianity's crusade against the Moor, he argues, can we begin to redress centuries of oppression, learn from the tragedies of the past, and find common ground in a globalized world.



Making Ireland Irish
Eric G. E. Zuelow, Ph.D.

Emerging from the dark shadow of the Irish civil war in the early 1920s, a small group of tourism advocates, inspired by tourist development movements in countries such as France and Spain, worked tirelessly to convince their Irish compatriots that tourism was the secret to Ireland's success.

Over time, tourism went from being a national joke to a national interest. Men and women from across Irish society joined in, eager to help shape their country and culture for visitors' eyes. The result was Ireland as it is depicted today, a land of blue skies, smiling faces, pastel towns, natural beauty, ancient history, and timeless traditions. In his new book, *Making Ireland Irish: Tourism and National Identity since the Irish Civil War* (Syracuse University Press), Eric G. E. Zuelow, UNE assistant professor of European history, draws upon an extensive array of previously untapped or underused sources to explain how careful planning transformed Irish towns and villages from grey and unattractive to bright and inviting destinations, while sanitizing Irish history to avoid offending Ireland's largest tourist market, the English; how new family friendly festivals and events filling the tourist calendar today supplanted traditional rural fairs revolving around muddy animals and featuring sexually suggestive ceremonies.

By challenging existing notions that the Irish tourist product is either timeless or the consequence of colonialism, Professor Zuelow demonstrates that the development of tourist imagery and Irish national identity was not the result of a handful of elites or postcolonial legacy, but rather the product of an extended discussion that ultimately involved a broad cross-section of society, both inside and outside Ireland. Tourism, he argues, played a vital role in "making Ireland Irish."



The Selected Letters of Charlotte Perkins Gilman
edited by
Jennifer S. Tuttle,
Ph.D.
(& Denise D. Knight)

Prominent American author, lecturer and social reformer Charlotte Perkins Gilman (1860-1935) is best known for her 1898 treatise *Women and Economics*, which traced gender inequality to women's economic dependence upon men, and her 1892 short story *The Yellow Wall-Paper*, which portrays a woman's descent into madness.

But Gilman had a long career in which she used both print and the pulpit to address a range of issues, from women's suffrage to pacifism to architectural reform. Since the 1970s, Gilman has reemerged as a major American literary figure, as evidenced by the republication of many of her stories and novels and an explosion of scholarship on her.

Denise D. Knight, Distinguished Teaching Professor of English at SUNY at Cortland, and Jennifer S. Tuttle, Dorothy M. Healy Chair and associate professor of English at UNE, have edited *The Selected Letters of Charlotte Perkins Gilman* (University of Alabama Press), the last significant portion of Gilman's private papers to remain unpublished.

This collection fills a crucial gap in Gilman scholarship, providing countless insights into her character through her own words. Knight and Tuttle have transcribed, edited, and contextualized the letters, taken from numerous archives and private collections, and organized them both thematically and chronologically. *The Selected Letters* makes accessible the many intricate narratives created by Gilman's correspondences. The private letters, which date from 1872, when Gilman was twelve, to 1935, just days before her suicide at the age of seventy-five, add another dimension to the scholarly assessment of Gilman that has been ongoing for the past thirty years.



Post-Orientalism
Ali Abdullatif
Ahmida, Ph.D.

In his landmark book *Orientalism*, the late American scholar Edward Said argued that orientalism – especially the academic discourse on Arabs, Islam, and the Middle East that primarily originated in England, France, and later in the United States – was a political doctrine that portrayed Middle Eastern culture as inferior and assisted in the subjugation and colonialism of the West over the East.

Since its publication in 1978, *Orientalism* has been one of the most influential and debated books of the last 30 years, criticized by some for its methodology and scholarship, while being embraced by numerous other critics as the foundation for post-colonial critical theory.

Post-Orientalism: Critical Reviews in North African Social and Cultural History, a new book by Ali Abdullatif Ahmida, Ph.D., professor and chair of UNE's Political Science department, is a critical assessment of the reactions to Said's *Orientalism*, especially with respect to the literature on North Africa in the last 30 years.

Post-Orientalism was published in Arabic in June 2009 by the Center of Arab Unity Studies, Beirut, Lebanon, one of the most prestigious academic centers in the Middle East.

Professor Ahmida writes that despite Said's critique of orientalism, the orientalist model and categories are still dominant in the field on North African studies, and alternative scholarship needs to address the limits of not only the orientalist, but also colonial and nationalist models. Prof. Ahmida also edited *Bridges Across the Sahara: Social Economic and Cultural Impact of the Trans-Sahara Trade during the 19th and 20 Centuries*, which is scheduled for publication in September. Look for info on this new book in a future issue of the magazine.



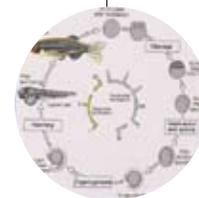
VP for Research Dr. Timothy Ford greets the NURDS participants.

NURDS on Campus

IN MARCH, UNE HOSTED THE 1ST ANNUAL Northeast Undergraduate Research and Development Symposium (NURDS) on the Biddeford Campus.

This National Science Foundation-supported conference promoted scientific exploration through peer collaboration. 230 undergraduate students from 39 colleges and universities throughout New England and Canada participated. Disciplines included biology, chemistry, physics, environmental sciences, and geo-sciences. Created, organized and run by undergraduate and graduate students, the symposium provided students with the opportunity to present high-level scientific research in a valuable forum, and obtain feedback from peers.

Workshops exposed the conference attendees to the local intertidal fauna, AFM microscopy, epifluorescent microscopy, seal necropsy, and rat behavior experiments. Several UNE undergraduate students presented their research, reflecting the high caliber of research performed by UNE students today.





UNE Ties a Yellow Ribbon for Veterans

UNE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED

a Yellow Ribbon institution by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) in recognition of its generous financial support for veterans.

The VA has introduced a new benefit, the Post-9/11 GI Bill, which it calls “the most comprehensive education benefits package since the original GI Bill was signed into law in 1944.” The bill provides a dollar amount for veterans equivalent to the highest public institution and fees in the veteran’s home state, depending on length of active duty service.

“The University of New England is grateful to our veterans and recognizes the sacrifices they have made in serving our country,” says Danielle Ripich, Ph.D., President of the University of New England. She adds, “We are proud to acknowledge their contributions with this financial award, and invite them to consider UNE, where they can pursue their educational goals in a supportive academic environment.”

UNE is one of only three institutions in Maine awarded Yellow Ribbon status.

Communication Awards

The College of Osteopathic Medicine and the UNE Communications Office received three awards for excellence in communications from the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine. AACOM presented its “Excellence in Communications” awards at its Annual Meeting in April in Bethesda, Maryland. COM’s Recruitment, Student and Alumni Services (RSAS) online newsletter *The COMMunicator* won for the second year in a row Best Newspaper or Newsletter for the February 2008 issue. Former RSAS staff member and current summer intern Steve

Smith’s feature “Where the Poppy Grows: Kim Tripp, Ph.D., OMSII,” written for the summer 2008 edition of *The COMMunicator*, won second place for Best Feature Story or Article. UNE’s alumni magazine *Nexus* (summer 2008 edition) was awarded second place for Best Magazine.

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Nexus Summer 2008 | www.une.edu/ur/nexus/08summer

Owen Grumbling, Activist and Scholar, Receives EPA Lifetime Achievement Award



Professor Owen Grumbling, Ph.D., chair of UNE’s Department of Environmental Studies, was recognized recently for his significant contributions to environmental awareness and problem solving. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency honored Professor Grumbling with the 2009 Lifetime Achievement Environmental Merit Award at Boston’s Faneuil Hall in April.

Through his passion for conservation and the environment, Grumbling has inspired and educated countless students as well as the entire community of the town of Wells, Maine, to appreciate and actively participate in protecting southern Maine’s extraordinary surroundings.

Since 1982, Grumbling has served as chair of the Town of Wells Conservation Commission, a committee that he first initiated to champion the establishment of the Wells Estuarine Research Reserve at Laudholm Farm to preserve a rare coastal habitat. He has also been active in conservation through other venues. For 12 years he served on the Board of the Natural Resources Council of Maine, the state’s leading agent for environmental advocacy. For more than 30 years, Professor Grumbling has taught UNE students the value and process of conservation, not only for diverse species, but for human happiness. As a scholar, he authored an anthology of nature writing in 1990 that remains in print today.



Culinary Doctor Brings Together COM and SMCC's Culinary Institute

As osteopathic physicians, we pride ourselves on the whole body approach to medicine; therefore, student doctors and practicing physicians must first learn to prepare healthy foods before they can help their patients do the same.

COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE STUDENTS Angie Senese and Susan Dadaian had a bold idea to combine the art of cooking with the science of medicine to create an important dish — A Healthy America. They believed as future physicians they need to take into account today's obesity epidemic. Obesity is associated with increased risks that severely affect the lives of many Americans, and the CDC reports that nearly 25 percent of Maine residents are obese.

“(We) have an obligation to future patients to learn as much as possible about healthy food and nutrition,” Senese noted in articles she wrote for the *COMmunicator* e-newsletter. “As doctors in training, we spend many hours learning about obesity and its co-morbidities. We will become experts in treating diabetes, hypertension, and coronary heart disease, just to name a few; however, we are not learning enough about the source of the problem. As osteopathic physicians, we pride ourselves on the whole body approach to medicine; therefore, student doctors and practicing physicians must first learn to prepare healthy foods before they can help their patients do the same.”

Working through the Public Health Club, Senese and Dadaian received a mini grant from the UNE-sponsored Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition to bring the idea to life. From there, they partnered with the Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) Culinary Institute to provide chefs and space for the cooking classes. The Culinary Doctor Club was created.

Angie Senese and
Susan Dadaian:

The Culinary Doctor Club

offers a one-of-a-kind opportunity for medical students and physicians to learn first-hand the practical application of nutrition through healthy food preparation.



Working with SMCC's Culinary Institute, Culinary Doctor held a number of monthly cooking classes this past spring. Each class focused on different aspects of healthy eating including budget, time, and other important aspects of food preparation. Students learned how to prepare a healthy meal and about important nutritional topics unique to each month's theme. At the first class, professional chefs and assistants taught nearly 30 students how to prepare five separate courses, including fresh fish with cilantro sauce. The menu was focused on purchasing local foods and cooking with fresh ingredients. The Culinary Institute instructors took the students on a “Tour Around the World,” creating meals from India, Asia, and more.

The Culinary Doctor program will continue in the fall, helping student doctors and physicians to understand and prepare healthy cooking, and to teach these concepts to patients.



Blessings in a Backpack

Two first-year UNE School of Social Work students in Dr. Vernon Moore's Social Welfare Policy and Programs II class raised close to \$6,000 for a Bangor area school as part of a national program called Blessings in a Backpack. Janet Hamilton and Shannon Tucker reached out to Milo, Maine, district school officials to implement the program, which is targeted at elementary school children who are on free or reduced lunch programs, and who often go home hungry for the weekends. Because her sister teaches sixth grade at the Milo school, Hamilton said she was well aware of the poverty and the hunger in that community. Each Friday, the students receive a backpack filled with nutritious food, then return to school on Monday, ready to learn. National studies show that when children are well-nourished, their test scores and school attendance improve. The Milo school is the first in New England to participate in this nationwide initiative to help feed students who may not be receiving adequate nutrition at home.

"It's a great program where a community gets involved and the children know that the teachers and the community care about them."

Janet Hamilton
UNE School of
Social Work student

Art Gallery Events

The UNE Art Gallery presented "The Business of Art"

Portland, Maine, is a veritable Mecca for fine art across all media, and in this show 10 area gallery owners featured works by artists they sponsor. Also included were a series of educational programs addressing how these gallery owners have developed their niche and how they are facing the economic challenges of today.

UPCOMING SHOW...

"Selections from the UNE Permanent Collection" includes a number of new acquisitions, including a Peregrine Press Portfolio of 24 prints. These prints are wonderfully diverse, with a wealth of different materials and lithographic techniques as well as styles and subject matter. The one common thread is that all are Maine printmakers of first rank. September 9 through November 8, 2009.

For more information, visit www.une.edu/artgallery.



Richard Remsen's *Spinner Lure*.
From the Daniel Kany Gallery.
Part of the UNE Art Gallery's
"Business of Art" exhibition.



College of
Osteopathic Medicine

Alumni & Student in *The D.O. Magazine*

Third-year COM student Bill Conway was the subject of a feature article in the March 2009 issue of *The D.O. Magazine*. The osteopathic medical student spotlight, written by an American Osteopathic Association staff member, was titled: "Well past mid-life, UNE COM student just getting started." The feature describes Conway's non-traditional journey to medical school; he is one of the oldest osteopathic medical students across the country.

Earlier this year COM alumnus and member of the Alumni Association board of trustees Adam Lauer, D.O. '00, wrote a first-person article published in the January 2009 edition. The four-page article, as part of the "In My Opinion" section, was titled "Independence Days" with the added subtitle "Going it alone, D.O. finds less equals more." Lauer wrote about the difficult decision to develop a solo practice instead of joining a group or corporate medical practice. He is strikingly open about the challenges and frustrations of doing all aspects of the practice himself, but stresses the rewards he has experienced and the conviction of his decision.

NYLF High Schoolers Explore "Day in the Life" of COM Students

The National Youth Leadership Forum hosted a 10-day program exploring medical careers.

FOR THE EIGHTH SUMMER NOW, the College of Osteopathic Medicine has welcomed outstanding high school students participating in the National Youth Leadership Forum (NYLF) to explore what it is like to be a medical student. Second-year COM student Angelica Supansic, also a NYLF alum, coordinated the program in conjunction with the COM Recruitment, Student and Alumni Services office.

The five-and-a-half hour schedule was packed with a medical lecture, virtual tour of the anatomy lab, introduction to osteopathic medicine, hands-on osteopathic manipulative medicine workshop with easy-to-grasp techniques, participatory lessons on the use of diagnostic equipment and techniques, and an "all questions are fair" student panel. There was an overview of the four years of a medical school curriculum and a pop quiz at the end of the day.

Up to 90 students visited the Biddeford campus on four separate Tuesdays as part of the larger National Youth Leadership Forum. NYLF hosts the 10-day program exploring medical careers in nine major cities around the country. Supansic and classmate Thu Nguyen, who co-presented the virtual anatomy tour, both attended the program when they were in high school, solidifying their interest in pursuing medicine.

Supansic recruited dozens of her classmates to serve as guides and hosts for the NYLF students, allowing our guests to work in small groups all day with a dedicated medical student. A number of the OMM/anatomy fellows participated by providing an overview of osteopathic medicine and leading the hands-on OMM workshops. Faculty and staff were also recruited to present lectures and provide technical assistance with the virtual anatomy tour.



Read the full
articles online:

Bill Conway
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Nurse Anesthesia Students on Capitol Hill

GRADUATE STUDENTS from the School of Nurse Anesthesia got a first-hand look at how national healthcare policy is formulated while attending the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists' Mid-Year Assembly in Washington, D.C., in April. MSNA seniors Jake Ricks and Megan Cassotto participated in the assembly and attended lectures and seminars on the current politics of health care.

Under the mentorship of MSNA assistant director Cliff Robertson, CRNA, and the leadership of the Maine and New Hampshire Associations of Nurse Anesthetists, Ricks and Cassotto put into practice what they had learned by going to Capitol Hill to meet with members of Congress to discuss issues that impact nurse anesthesia practice, reimbursement and advanced practice nursing education.

Cassotto, who was also invited to attend a special reception hosted by the AANA National Board of Directors, said: "The Mid-Year Assembly truly shapes the future of our profession by educating lawmakers about issues directly affecting our practice."



U.S. Senator Susan Collins (R-ME) and MSNA student Jake Ricks

Rural Homelessness Study Gets National Attention

A STUDY OF RURAL HOMELESSNESS IN MAINE conducted by a team of researchers that included two University of New England social work faculty members was the focus of an Associated Press story that appeared in more than 50 national media outlets, including the *Washington Post* and *Los Angeles Times*.

The study, commissioned by the Maine State Housing Authority, is believed to be the first study in the nation to provide a look at the costs of rural homelessness in a state. It concludes that providing "permanent supportive housing" — subsidized housing in combination with mental health, employment and other support services — for homeless people is less costly than serving them while they're without a home.

Thomas Chalmers McLaughlin, Ph.D., associate professor, and Nancy Shore, Ph.D., assistant professor, both of UNE's School of Social Work, were part of a team that included Melany Mondello of Shalom House, Portland, and Jon Bradley of Preble Street, Portland.

In the study, researchers looked at 163 people in all parts of Maine except Portland, the state's largest city, who were homeless and now live in permanent supportive housing. The study examined the costs of mental health care, physical health care, shelters, hospitals, jails and ambulance services while they were homeless and compared them to those same costs after they had housing.

The study found that the additional cost of the housing was more than offset by lower costs for the other services. Permanent supportive housing, the researchers found, allows people with disabilities significantly more efficient and appropriate housing and service delivery with tangible cost savings. Not surprisingly, permanent supportive housing also improves quality of life for all involved.

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Professor McLaughlin explained that "from a social science perspective our research question is 'does providing people with housing reduce overall costs to social service continuum of care?' From a less researchy perspective

the question is roughly translated to 'Is it cheaper to provide housing for homeless people, than it is to "deal" with them on the street?'"

The data the researchers compiled came from detailed billing records for all types of services: a night in the emergency shelter, an ambulance call, an emergency room visit, dental appointment, etc. The dataset has date of service and cost of the service. The researchers also knew the date that people were housed so they could run pre- and post- costs based on services accessed and then compare both sides of the data.

Professor Shore worked on the analysis of the qualitative responses to these quality of life questions, and Professor McLaughlin analyzed the data within the different cut points, categories, family structures, service providers, etc.

At a recent conference in India, McLaughlin said, "other researchers from around the world were impressed with the results but even more impressed that we were able to collect this data and it was available in a format that we could use."

A Driving Force

UNE's presence at the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) Convocation proved to be one of the strongest ever.



George Pasquarello, D.O. '93, was elected president, taking the gavel from fellow alum Guy DeFeo, D.O. '88, who served in the top leadership position during the 2008-2009 year. Doris Newman, D.O. '98 was named program chair for next year's AAO

conference. She has been serving on the Board of Governors and will continue to do so.

Laura Griffin, D.O. '96, was elected to the Board of Trustees. She joins Jane Carreiro, D.O. '88 in this leadership role. John Balmer, D.O. '90, has been serving on the Board of Governors and will continue to do so. Stacey Pierce-Talsma, D.O., current chief resident in UNE's neuromuscular medicine residency program, was elected chair of the Postgraduate American Academy of Osteopathy, a section of the AAO. Greg Thompson, D.O. '87, advises the Undergraduate American Academy of Osteopathy at one of the newest osteopathic schools, Lincoln Memorial University – DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine in Harrogate, Tennessee, while UNE family practice and neuromuscular medicine residency program graduate and current faculty member Heather Ferrill, D.O. advises UNE's UAAO chapter.

A number of UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine alumni and faculty served on this year's Convocation teaching faculty, including Paul Capobianco, D.O. '94; Andrew Goldman, D.O. '89; Jane Carreiro, D.O. '88; and Frank Willard, Ph.D. A large number of students, led by UAAO chapter co-presidents and now third-year students Kim Tripp and Marla Mead, attended this year's teaching convention accompanied by most of the faculty from the Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine department and the neuromuscular medicine residency program.



College of Pharmacy Granted Pre-candidacy Status

The UNE College of Pharmacy received exciting news on June 29, when it was notified that the school has been granted pre-candidacy status by the national Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education in Chicago. The status means the council has approved the school's academic and clinical programs so it can open and enroll students this fall. The council will monitor the school's progress through graduation of a first class in four years before granting full accreditation. The new College of Pharmacy building on UNE's Portland Campus is now open and will welcome its first students in September.



"The College's research orientation – its strong discovery piece – will make us very different from most other pharmacy schools in the country and any other pharmacy school in northern New England. Our goal is to be one of the top ranked pharmacy schools in the nation."

UNE President Danielle Ripich

Read updated College of Pharmacy news online at www.une.edu/pharmacy



ECAC EAST HOCKEY

Babson College
Castleton State College
University of Massachusetts Boston
New England College
Norwich University
Saint Anselm College
Saint Michael's College
Skidmore College
University of New England
University of Southern Maine.

Tough Competition: UNE Joins New Conference



The men's ice hockey program will compete in one of the nation's most competitive and prestigious leagues when the Nor'easters commence play at the varsity level in November. UNE learned last October it was accepted into Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) East Hockey, arguably the country's premier NCAA Division III league. The Nor'easters will face-off with perennial powers Norwich University, Amherst College and Middlebury College, as well as local stalwarts Bowdoin College and Colby College. "We are humbled and excited to be part of the ECAC East," said head coach Brad Holt. "It affords us the opportunity to compete against some of the nation's best teams, as four of the last seven national champions will be on our schedule in 2009-2010."

Senior Scholar-Athletes of the Year

Women's lacrosse player **Amanda Barker '09** and softball player **Megan Gaedje '09** were named Senior Scholar-Athletes of the Year in their respective sport. Barker graduated summa cum laude with a degree in medical biology. On the lacrosse field, Barker notched 42 goals her senior season – the second-highest total for the Nor'easters. Gaedje was a first team all-conference selection after batting .385 and leading UNE in runs scored (44), extra-base hits (12) and stolen bases (22). A three-time academic all-conference honoree, Gaedje graduated in May with a bachelor's degree in applied exercise science.



Dan Letellier

Dan Letellier has been hired as Head Softball Coach. Letellier served as an assistant coach in 2009, helping lead the Nor'easters to a 22-13-1 record and appearance in The Commonwealth Coast Conference Championship. Prior to his time at UNE, Letellier accumulated more than 15 years of coaching experience at various levels, including the varsity softball team at nearby Biddeford High School. Letellier takes over for Charity Camire, who resigned after two seasons to pursue other personal and professional opportunities.



<< SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

At left Megan Gaedje '09 and far left Amanda Barker '09



2009 Hall of Fame Inductees

Former student-athletes Karen Bailey, Paul Peterson and Bryan Hill have been selected for induction into the UNE Athletics Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will take place Friday, Sept. 25 on the Biddeford Campus.



The late Vaughn Twaddel

In addition to the induction of Bailey, Peterson and Hill, former Westbrook College professor and UNE golf coach, the late Vaughn Twaddel, will be honored posthumously for his contributions. Twaddel passed away last year and the Athletic Department's golf tournament is named in his memory.

A native of Portland, Maine, Bailey '93 was a standout softball and basketball player at UNE. On the softball diamond, she helped propel UNE to an NAIA District 5 championship in 1991 and Maine Athletic Conference crown in 1992. She ranks one of the basketball program's career leaders in three-point shooting.

Peterson '94, who hails from Long Island, N.Y., starred as a basketball player at Westbrook College in the early 1990's. He currently ranks second in the history of the men's basketball program with 2,550 points and first in rebounds with 1,586. An all-American, Peterson was part of two Mayflower Conference championship teams.

A product of Tempe, Ariz. and current resident of San Diego, Calif., Hill '98 accumulated 63 goals and 33 assists during his brilliant four-year soccer career at UNE. He tallied 20 goals his senior season and was chosen first team all-America. After graduation, Hill earned a professional tryout.



SPORTSEXTRAS

A BRILLIANT CAREER

Women's basketball player **Alli Gamache '09** wrapped up her career with 1,068 career points – good for 14th in program history. Gamache was chosen first team all-conference this past season after averaging 12.3 points and 3.7 assists. She set a school single-game record with nine 3-pointers Jan. 8, 2009 versus Thomas College. Gamache is second all-time with 233 three-pointers.

THAT'S THE SPIRIT

The men's lacrosse team earned its third The Commonwealth Coast Conference Team Sportsmanship Award in the last four seasons.

Go Nor'easters!



REUNION CORNER

Westbrook College Reunion 2009 was celebrated June 5-7 during a gorgeous Maine weekend.

More than 160 alumni from the classes of the '4's and '9's returned to connect with one another and the Portland Campus. The weekend began with the welcome reception on Friday featuring the Maine Women Writers Collection's 50th Anniversary and the UNE Art Gallery's opening of the Sculpture Garden. Assistant Dean of Students Ray Handy described campus life today following Friday's dinner. Saturday's festivities included the Annual Meeting of the Alumni and Awards Presentation, a tour of the College of Pharmacy, a tour of the Biddeford Campus, and a reception featuring Joyce Bibber '56 and her newly published pictorial history of Westbrook College. Spa services, provided by Brooke Richards '99 and Shari Falcone's '78 A Touch of Health, is becoming a popular tradition. President Ripich addressed reunion classes Saturday evening during a lobster dinner and before a performance by David Angel and the Memories.



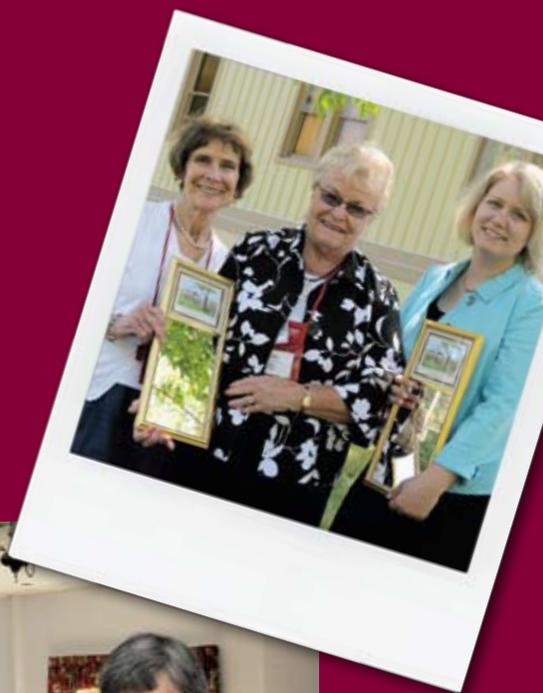


Westbrook College Alumni Association Board of Director Alumni Awards

Tower Award for Alumni Achievement
Kneka Pelletier Smith '94, '95

Heloise E. Withee Alumni Service Award
Jane Lewis Gleason '49
Peggy Smith Goode '49

Honorary Alumna Award
Kimberly Boothby-Ballentyne



AUGUST

August 14 – Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons Conference | Newport, RI
UNE will co-sponsor an evening reception as part of the RISOPS Yankee Conference.

August 29 – Alumni Outing with the Red Sox
Boston, MA | Join fellow alumni and friends at this popular annual event! A reception will take place prior to the game.

SEPTEMBER

September 8 - Dedication of the Westbrook College of Health Professions | Portland, ME
The Westbrook College of Health Professions will be dedicated in a ceremony at 4 p.m. during Fall Orientation on the Portland campus. Join us for the ceremony and reception with fellow alumni and current WCHP students.

September 25-27 – Alumni Weekend | Biddeford, ME
UNE and St. Francis alumni return to reconnect with the campus and one another!

September 25 – Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons | Stowe, VT
UNE will co-sponsor an evening reception as part of the VSAOPS Conference.

OCTOBER

October 8 – College of Osteopathic Medicine White Coat Ceremony | Portland, Maine
COM alumni are invited to participate in the ceremony as honorary coaters.

October 9-10 – College of Osteopathic Medicine Alumni Reunion and CME Weekend | Portland, ME
COM alumni return to southern Maine for two days of socializing and outstanding CME lectures.

NOVEMBER

November 2 – American Osteopathic Association
New Orleans, LA | UNE will host an alumni luncheon and an evening reception as part of the AOA Convention.

UNE & St. Francis College Alumni Weekend 2009 | September 25-27

UNE and St. Francis College alumni will be arriving on campus at the end of September to celebrate their Alumni Weekend! In addition to the usual alumni and varsity athletic games, there are many exciting events planned for the weekend, such as:

Milestone Reunions for the Classes of the 4's and 9's, Friday Night Welcome Reception in the Bush Center, 5K Fun Run, Children's Program, MARC volunteer reception, 25th Anniversary celebration of the Physical Therapy program, Saturday Night Bonfire

FRIDAY EVENING: Varsity Club Hall of Fame Ceremony 2009 Inductees: Karen Bailey P.T. '93, Bryan Hill P.T. '98, Paul Peterson '94 (Westbrook College)
Special Recognition: Vaughn Twaddel (posthumously)

SATURDAY EVENING: Alumni Achievement and Honorary Alumni awards
Alumni Achievement Awards: Michael Baker '62, James Barry '69
Honorary Alumni: Eva Downs, Robert Pecchia, Mattina Proctor (posthumously)

Registration packets will be mailed soon! For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Advancement at (207) 221-4218 or alumni@une.edu.

COM Alumni Reunion & Fall CME Weekend High Tech and High Touch | October 9-10

The COM Alumni Reunion & Fall CME Weekend is a joint effort between the COM Alumni Association, the COM Continuing Medical Education office, the COM Office of Recruitment, Student and Alumni Services (RSAS), and the New England Osteopathic Association.

Alumni presenters throughout CME Weekend:
Peter Bell, D.O. '84, Suzanne Berlin, D.O. '84, Jacquelyn Cawley, D.O. '89, Christopher Delorie, D.O. '99, Barry Gendron, D.O. '89, Charlotte Paolini, D.O. '89, William Papura, D.O. '96, James Tracy, D.O. '84

FRIDAY: Alumni & Founders' Celebration
COM faculty members David Manyan, Ph.D., and Kathy Thompson, Ph.D., present the evolution of technology over the 31-year history of the College.

SATURDAY: COM Dean's Lecture
Using Simulated Patient Learning to Recognize and Manage Drug-to-Drug Interactions presented by COM faculty members: Amy Davidoff, Ph.D.; David Mokler, Ph.D.; and Richard Reese, M.D.

Social Activities: focusing on the classes of 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999 and 2004.

Registration brochures will be mailed soon. For more information, contact the COM Office of Recruitment, Student and Alumni Services at (207) 602-2329 or RSAS@une.edu.



Share your news with us!

In an effort to bring you the most up-to-date alumni news, beginning with the next issue we'll include news from all colleges in each issue – UNE, St. Francis, Westbrook College, and College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Please e-mail your news and photos to alumni@une.edu, or to the UNE Office of Alumni Advancement, 716 Stevens Ave., Portland, ME 04103. College of Osteopathic Medicine news should be e-mailed to RSAS@une.edu. So that we may include all your news, please limit submissions to 75 words or less.

1982

Dennis Baily serves on the board of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS).

David Dickison was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

John Johansson continues to serve as president of the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

John Padavano presented a suture workshop during the Orthopedics Club's OrthoWeek in December.

John Peterson continues to serve as executive director of the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, as well as on the College of Osteopathic Medicine Alumni Association board.

Jim Ryan continues to serve as secretary/treasurer of the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society (COMS) as well as present sessions at their May CME conference.

1983

Alan Carter was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

Peter Drennan continues to serve on the board of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS).

Doug Foreman serves on the board of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS).

Glenn Gianini was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

Peter Guay, father of second-year student Ryan Guay, presented on the total knee replacement during the Orthopedics Club's OrthoWeek in December.

Jeff Holmstrom was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

Peter Mason was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

Michael McCarten presented a session on Pandemic Influenza Surveillance at the Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

Michael Palumbo was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

David Rioux serves on the board of the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

Steve Weisberger was recognized by the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) for 25 years of service to the osteopathic profession in the State of Maine.

1984

Peter Bell presented sessions on both chest pains and health policy at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference this past winter.

Dave Burns presented "Evaluation and Management of Knee Injuries and Diseases" at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last fall.

John Chang was elected vice president of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society at the June conference; he has served on the board for a number of years.

Jeffrey Glassheim joined Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Clinics-Fox Valley as an asthma/allergy/immunology specialist last fall.

1985

David Biondi is with the Pain Therapeutics Group of Ortho-McNeil Janssen Scientific Affairs in Raritan, New Jersey as Senior Director of Clinical Development for Pain.

Colonel Bill Bograkos was re-elected to the board of directors of the World

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Association for Disaster & Emergency Medicine during the World Congress of Disaster & Emergency Medicine. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians.

Jeff Greenfield serves as a board member and delegate at large with New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA).

Pat Phillips served as program co-chair for both the 2008 and 2009 Fall CME/Reunion Weekend. She is treasurer of the COM Alumni Association board.

Peter Shriver presented an ophthalmology session at the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society (COMS) CME conference in May.

David Thaler was recently appointed a clinical assistant professor at the new Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine in Roanoke, Virginia. The school anticipates enrolling its first class in 2010.

Anthony Thomas presented an update on evaluation and treatment of colon cancer at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last fall.

1986

Ron Ashkenasy presented a medical legal update at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) winter conference.

Leigh Baker presented "OMT for Women's Health, a hands-on workshop" on campus during Women's Lecture Series in March. She also presented at the Madeline McCormick's Mentoring Weekend in November.

Mary Bayno sponsored and coordinated the Madeline McCormick's Mentoring Weekend in November.

Bob Dinwoodie represented Kent Hospital in Warwick, Rhode Island, at Hospital Day in May, where he oversees the emergency medicine residency program. He also serves on the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) board.

Roberta Gerson is parliamentarian on the COM Alumni Association board.

Ray Kelly is now a clinical instructor in the College's Department of Family Medicine and advisor to the Emergency Medicine Club. He presented at Emergency Medicine Week on campus this spring and is program co-chair for the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference.

Louis Kleiman hooded daughter, Sara Kleiman, at Commencement in June.

Robert Leonard, Jr., made two presentations at the III Brazilian Congress of Hair Restoration Surgery in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The first was about his experience Using Laser Therapy in treating Androgenetic Alopecia; the second was his participation in a Panel of Experts discussing How to Solve the Problems of the Physician Audience. He is also a member of the UNE Board of Trustees and serves on the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) board.

Stephen Shannon published "Reflections on the Impact of Title VII Funding at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine" in the November 2008 issue of *Academic Medicine*. The article featured the importance of the Title VII federal funding for programs in primary care, and the impact of UNECOM and the osteopathic profession on training primary care physicians nationwide. He is president of AACOM and presented "Osteopathic Medical Education: Growth and Challenges in a New Century" at the Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

1987

Mark Andreozzi presented a session on interesting ENT studies at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME conference last fall.

Pierre Angier presented a session on comfortable sex for patients with back and neck pain at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference this winter.

Dan Callisto is a member of the COM Alumni Association board.

Hollis Coblentz completed her term as president of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS) at the June conference. She will remain on the board as immediate past president.

Paul M. Gagnon joined the Brigham and Women's Physician Organization and is the assistant chief of radiology and director of MRI services at the Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis.

Lisa Gouldsbrough continues to serve on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

1988

Jane Carreiro is the author of two new pediatrics books published this spring, *An Osteopathic Approach to Children*, 2nd Edition and *Pediatric Manual Medicine: An Osteopathic Approach*. The second new book deals with the practical methods to treating children and infants with osteopathic techniques. She is on the board of trustees for American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) and was a member of the teaching faculty at Convocation.

Guy DeFeo is immediate past president of the American Academy of Osteopathy. His practice in Kennebunk focuses on OMT, exercise rehabilitation, and therapeutic spine and joint injections. He presented "An Osteopathic Approach to Postural Balance" at the Fall CME/Reunion Weekend and serves on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board.

Michelle Dodman presented a GI update at the COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

Karl Felber continues to serve as president of Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS).

Michele Gilsenan is president-elect of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine. She is the program director of Overlook Hospital/Sports Extra Primary Care Sports Medicine Residency/Fellowship in Summit, New Jersey.

Mark R. Henschke has been recently recognized by MDx Medical, Inc. with a national "Patients' Choice" Award. The honor reflects the difference he has made in patients' lives, as demonstrated by the

uniformly high reviews they have granted him. He served as program co-chair for the College's 2008 and 2009 Fall CME/ Reunion Weekend, a member of the COM Alumni Association board, and regularly presents at conferences and sessions hosted by pharmaceutical companies.

Jack Mahurin presented a session on shoulder dyskinesia at the Fall CME/ Reunion Weekend.

Michael McNamara presented "Insomnia - A Progression to Sleep" at the Fall CME/ Reunion Weekend.

Ray Mis presented "Common GI Problems Facing the Primary Care Physician" at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last fall.

1989

Barry Gendron presented a session on the use of musculoskeletal ultrasound in the office at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference this winter and the COM Fall CME/ Reunion Weekend.

Andrew Goldman was part of the teaching faculty at the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) Convocation.

Paul Jones is past-president of the American Osteopathic College of Anesthesiologists.

William Seeglitz, Jr., continues to serve as treasurer of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS) following elections at the June conference.

1990

No notes submitted.

1991

Claire Galin is on the faculty at the Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Stephen Goldbas presented "Sacral Sag and Fascial Drag Revisited" at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last fall.

Frank Hubbell is program co-chair for the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference next January. This past year he presented sessions at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME conference, the COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend and the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) winter conference.

Margaret Hunt served as secretary of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS) this past year.

Paul Tortland was elected to the board of directors of the American Association of Orthopedic Medicine (AAOM) at their 2008 annual meeting, and named Program Chair for AAOM's 2010 annual clinical conference. After seven years, he stepped down as president of the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society (COMS). He presented two sessions at their recent CME conference in May.

1992

Joseph Bergen was elected president of the Massachusetts College of Emergency Physicians. He is chair of emergency services at Emerson Hospital in Concord. He accompanied his late father Bill Bergen, D.O., in delivering the keynote address at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) winter conference.

Mary Callahan presented a session on electronic cardiac devices at the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society CME Conference in June.

Paul Cochrane was elected president of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society at the CME Conference in June. He presented a session on martial arts for exercise and self-defense at the conference.

Ken Johnson presented a session on risk management at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference in January.

Joe Leahy presented a lunchtime lecture titled "ED Faux Pas" presented at Emergency Medicine Week on campus this spring. He is the director of Emergency Medicine Services at Southern New Hampshire Medical Center. He spoke about how to prevent big mistakes when caring for a patient in the ED, particularly when the patient does not fit the classic presentation.

Joe Leahy is vice president of the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA).

Steven Morton received the award of fellowship from the American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics (AOAO).

Mary Siciliano represented Warren Hospital in Philipsburg, New Jersey, at Hospital Day in May.

Vince Zizza presented a session on the diagnosis and management of prostate cancer at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last fall.

1993

Allan Kuong presented a session called "Excited Delirium - Excited State" at the COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

George Pasquarello is the president of the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO). He is also program co-chair as well as presenter for the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference. He also presented at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) winter CME conference.

Christopher Pezzullo is serving on the COM Dean's search committee. He presented a pediatrics update at the COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend and serves on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board.

Evelyn Schwalenberg is a member of the Dean's Search Committee.

Lin Stilson presented a session on new therapies in hypertension at the COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

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1994

Louise Butler hooded Ashley Lynn Nicherson at Commencement in June.

Paul Capobianco was part of the teaching faculty at the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) Convocation this spring.

1995

Alexander Brazalovich serves on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board.

Kristina Cummings is a member of the COM Alumni Association board.

Michael LoGuidice lead a medical team to the Haiti Clinic. The clinic serves residents of Cite Soleil, the largest slum in Haiti, and the largest in the northern hemisphere. Population estimates run from 200,000 to 300,000 people, who live deprived of basic medical services in an area of three miles that has no electricity, sewage services, or running water.

Doug Peterson talked about both his experience as a military surgeon, and his work with the Patriots and the Red Sox, during the Orthopedics Club's OrthoWeek in December.

Darren Rosenberg is on the board of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS).

1996

Donald Algeo has returned to Fort Campbell, Kentucky, to resume duties as the Chief of the Specialty Clinic after serving at the Command General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Last year he completed an anesthesia pain fellowship at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Polly Leonard has been named one of Rhode Island Monthly's Top Doctors for Women. She is president of the COM Alumni Association and director of medical education at Kent Hospital in Warwick. She was on campus in May representing Kent at Hospital Day in May.

1997

Kat Brandt represented the Maine-Dartmouth Family Practice Residency at MaineGeneral in Augusta at Hospital Day in May.

Adele Carroll serves on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board.

Denise Cogle represented Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston at Hospital Day in May.

Frank Goudreau presented trauma/surgery cases during the Orthopedics Club's OrthoWeek in December.

Jennifer Highland presented "How the innards affect the outwards, or Why you should Care about viscerosomatic reflexes" at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference in January. She continues to serve as the NHOA treasurer.

1998

Steve Brady hooded Chad Bouchard at Commencement in June.

Rob Dorf serves on the board as delegate at large for the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA).

Pamela Grimaldi continues to serve on the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society.

Jessica Manyan participated in an area recruitment reception in Providence in April. She is chair of the family practice residency program at Kent Hospital in Warwick, and represented the hospital at COM's Hospital Day in May. She serves on the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) board.

Debra Margolis presented a session on Lyme disease at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference in January.

Doris Newman is program chair for the American Academy of Osteopathy's 2010 Convocation, to be held in Colorado Springs. The theme of the convention will be the study of the sacrum and pelvis from three perspectives: biomechanical,

viscerosomatic and fluid. She hooded Amanda Roth at Commencement in June.

David Paul presented a session on pre-surgical evaluation by the primary care physician at the COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

Thomas Scott presented a session on tactical emergency medicine at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference in January.

1999

Patricia Murray presented an OMT review at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) CME conference this winter. She is on the board and serves as a delegate at large.

2000

John Chaffey is in private practice in Warwick, Rhode Island, as well as an emergency department physician at the Providence VA Medical Center.

Vasilios Christostomidis presented a session on Impingement Syndrome at the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society CME Conference in June, while continuing to serve on the MOS board.

Valerie Heemstra was elected secretary of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS) at the June conference.

Adam Lauer hooded Andrea Berry and Tim Manzo at Commencement in June, where he also administered the Osteopathic Oath to the class. He is an active member of the COM Alumni Association and takes students for fourth-year rotations almost every month. He wrote an "In My Opinion" piece titled Going it alone, DO finds less equals more - Independence days in the American Osteopathic Association's The D.O. magazine, January 2009 issue.

Tiffany Snyder is the Family Medicine clerkship director at University of New Mexico Health Service Center in Albuquerque, and active in resident education. She also notes "I have a wonderful 3 year old daughter named Emma."

2001

William Foley presented a session on OMT of the shoulder at the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society CME Conference in June, and continues to serve on the MOS board.

Jack Forbush presented a session on "Osteopathic Approach to Compression Neurophathies" at the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society CME Conference in June. He is active in the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA), presenting at the winter CME conference, and participated in Physicians' Day at the Legislature in Augusta in May.

Charles Landry presented a session on acute treatment of migraine headaches at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) winter CME conference.

Jeff Myers presented a noontime lecture "Ultrasonography in the ED" lecture, followed that evening by a hands-on ultrasound lab, during Emergency Medicine Week on campus this spring. He serves as the EMS Fellowship Director at the University of Buffalo. He is involved in establishing an interdisciplinary simulation center at the university.

Lee Smilowicz hooded Kristen Barbee at Commencement in June.

2002

Greg Allen is on the board of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) and presented a lipids update at the CME conference last fall.

Lynnette Bassett-Willard presented an "OMT workshop for the Infant with Feeding Issues" at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) winter conference.

Scott Benson presented a session called "Primary Care Considerations for the Transplant Patient" at the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society (COMS) CME conference in May.

Greg Czarnecki was recently elected vice president of the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society (COMS). He continues to

serve as program chair for their May CME conference.

Brian Kaufman participated in Physicians' Day at the Maine Legislature in May. He has a private practice in Sanford and was a group facilitator for the Capstone Class.

Jeffrey Nascimento presented a session on sleep apnea at the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society (COMS) CME conference in May.

Amity Rubeor represented Brown Family Medicine Residency in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, at Hospital Day in May.

2003

Mathew Baldasaro presented a session on Eating Disorders at the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society CME Conference in June.

Jason Cohen wrote the "My Turn" column for the Sept. 1, 2008 issue of *Newsweek* magazine. Dr. Cohen, who was serving with the 86th Combat Support Hospital in Iraq, wrote "Those who die, even here in a combat zone, die with a piece of us. They take a piece of our lives with them. We can work to fight the inevitable-for minutes, for hours, for days. But in the end they all take something of us with them. The Iraqi children who are burned by a kerosene heater, the mother who is shot by an unseen enemy, the contractor whose life is taken by an anonymous mortar, the soldier who dies fighting for her faraway home."

Doug Comeau participated in the Pre-Hospital Day alumni panel in May.

Daniel Holliday represented Maine Medical Center Department of Psychiatry at Hospital Day in May.

Carol Gardner presented "Introducing Nutrition into Your Practice" at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME conference last fall.

Matt Gilbert coordinated and hosted a Pre-Hospital Day alumni panel in May. He has been coordinating this program with the RSAS office the last few years.

Mark Manning presented a gynecology update at the Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

Andrew Tenebaum received the Young Physician of the Year award from the Maine Osteopathic Association at their summer convention in June.

2004

Joshua Iannetta presented a session on OMT for the lower extremity at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME conference last fall. He is an assistant professor in the OMM Department on campus.

Thomas Stason is on the board of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS).

2005

Eshita Bakshi is on a three-year tour as general pediatrician for the U.S. Army's Heidelberg (Germany) Health Center.

S. Jared Bentley and family (Leah, UNE '03, Kiernan and Caelin) moved to Iowa City, where he is a fellow in pediatric cardiology at the University of Iowa Hospitals And Clinics.

Stephany (Truex) Godfrey completed Commissioned Officer Training last summer and is assigned to Hanscom Air Force Base in Massachusetts.

Tom Leeson represented Maine Dartmouth Family Medicine Residency in Augusta at Hospital Day in May.

John Mohline is in his fourth year in a double emergency medicine/internal medicine residency program at Christiana Care Health Services in Delaware. He was the emergency department's Resident of the Year last year.

Jennifer Sargent is chief medical resident at Saint Vincent Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Colleen Yavarow gave birth to a baby girl in March. She is in a hematology/oncology fellowship at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boston.

IN MEMORIAM

2006

Gerry "Wook" Beltran is completing an Emergency Medical Services fellowship in Atlanta. The fellowship focuses on the pre-hospital aspect of emergency medicine, including ambulance crews, tactical medics and disaster teams/planning.

William "Cuatro" Holland is a member of the COM Alumni Association board.

Nicole Lynn-Fillipon has been chosen as chief medical resident at Saint Vincent Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts, for 2010-11.

Shannon Marcotte participated in a COM-sponsored recruitment reception in Springfield, Massachusetts, in April.

Gray Rivard represented Central Maine Medical Center Family Medicine in Lewiston at Hospital Day in May.

Jason Salter represented Brown Family Medicine Residency in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, at Hospital Day in May.

Sarah Stewart represented Eastern Maine Medical Center Family Medicine Residency Program in Bangor at Hospital Day in May.

2007

Michael Akerley is a flight surgeon at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Jacqi Allen represented Warren Hospital in Philipsburg, New Jersey, at Hospital Day in May.

Meghann Derosier represented Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor at Hospital Day in May.

Remi Drozd represented Kent Hospital in Warwick, Rhode Island, at Hospital Day in May.

Jodi Hiland participated in a COM-sponsored recruitment reception in Springfield, Massachusetts, in April.

Eric Matthews is an active member of the COM Alumni Association board.

Bernadette McKell participated in a COM-sponsored recruitment reception in Springfield, Massachusetts, in April.

Tanya Tupick hooded Stephanie Ng at Commencement in June.

2008

Peter Blakemore represented Samaritan Medical Center in Watertown, New York, at Hospital Day in May.

Arij Faksh hooded Lauren Shkolnik at Commencement in June.

Romeo Lucas hooded his wife, Lisa Wuederman Lucas, at Commencement in June.

Matt Perkowski hooded his wife, Kristy Perkowski, at Commencement in June.

Yancy Van Patten hooded Kelly Frys at Commencement in June.

ALUMNI

2000
John K. Brooks, P.A.
University of New England
June 12, 2009

Dennis K. Dodd
Husband of
Mona Gushee Dodd '68
Westbrook College
March 25, 2009

1935
Eloise H. Ekberg
Westbrook College
June 6, 2009

1949
Susan Cottrell Hodgkins
Westbrook College
May 27, 2009

1979
Armand R. Kerouac, Jr.
Westbrook College
June 15, 2009

1950
**Roberta (Bobbie)
Staples Shepherd**
Westbrook College
January 19, 2009

1958
Georgiana Wormcke Wilson
Westbrook College
June 20, 2009

2007
**Donald Emery Woodward,
M.S.Ed.**
University of New England
June 11, 2009

FRIENDS OF UNE

Susan Donnell Konkel
June 2, 2009

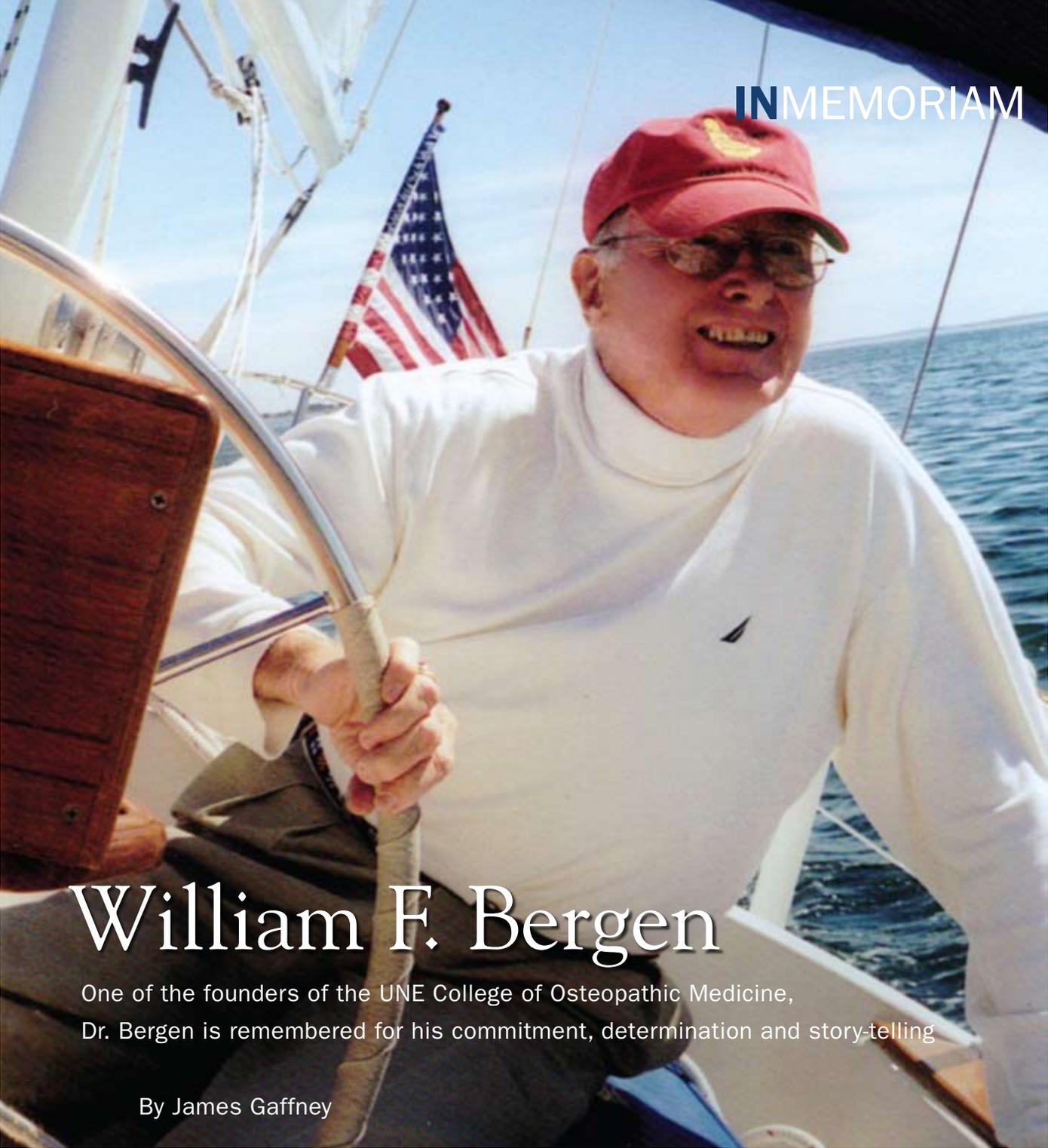
Angelo Okot
Father of UNE Employee
Alfred K. Angelo '05
June 24, 2009

John William Painter, D.O.
June 24, 2009

K. Brooke Baxter, Class of 2012
College of Osteopathic Medicine

As this issue went to press, we learned the sad news that Kathryn Brooke Baxter (known as Brooke), student of the UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine, died in a tragic bus accident in Tanzania on July 26. Brooke, 32, recently completed her first year as a UNE medical student, and was in Kenya conducting research as the recipient of a UNE Student Government Association Carman Pettapiece Student Research grant.

President Danielle Ripich states: "Brooke was a gifted and compassionate young woman who changed lives through her advocacy and education efforts. Her life was cut far too short, and we mourn her loss. In Kenya, Brooke was doing what she loved most - reaching out to others across the globe, making the world a better, healthier place."



William F. Bergen

One of the founders of the UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Bergen is remembered for his commitment, determination and story-telling

By James Gaffney

DR. BILL BERGEN, ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE COLLEGE, UNE Board Member Emeritus, former family physician in Kennebunk for 30 years, and father of Joseph Bergen, D.O. '92, passed away in late April at a local hospice after a prolonged illness. Among many honors in his career, Dr. Bergen was awarded the Pioneer of Osteopathic Medicine Medal from the UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1991 (the highest award bestowed by the College), and an honorary Doctor of Science degree in 2007. The College was very fortunate to have Dr. Bergen on stage at the 2008 White Coat Ceremony last October, where he participated in the coating and gave brief, inspiring remarks to the students.

Dr. Bill Bergen's commitment and intense pride in his chosen profession, the University and the College, and his family came through in the way he told stories about the founding of the college and its early years, and about his 50-year career as an osteopathic physician. Those stories could be heard at events like the annual Founders' Celebration, White Coat Ceremony, commencement, and at receptions and through personal conversations.

His story about a by-chance conversation with UNE's founding president Jack Ketchum is probably his best known – "That story I like to tell" he often said – but there were others, as well. In the book "We Took To The Tundra: An Osteopathic Family Among the Yup'ik Eskimos," published last year, Dr. Bergen told in journal format the story of his five years practicing rural medicine in Alaska

A local osteopathic physician "talked to me for a while about the philosophy of this profession. And it turned me around from traditional medicine to osteopathic medicine and I'm very grateful for it because I wanted to be a family doc. I think that this whole person approach that is the osteopathic number-one tenet really suits a family doc," he said during that interview.

Dr. Bergen served in the Army following graduation and during that time applied to the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine Osteopathy and Surgery

I had no idea where anything was." Dr. Bergen graduated in 1959.

That determination was evident again in the early years of the College as it sought to expand the on-campus clinical facilities as the number of students increased. In the documentary interview, Dr. Bergen discussed a conversation he had with Larry Kennedy, Roger Sullivan and Jack Ketchum regarding money needed to build such a facility, and what happened next: "I said well, I have a patient that I'll go ask... His name was Sanford Petts (and he) had inherited the New England Confectionary Company" known for Necco wafers and white chocolate. "I said to (Petts)," Dr. Bergen continued, "Sanford, you know we're starting a university in Biddeford, a medical school, and we don't have any clinical facility to treat people in and we need one desperately..." Dr. Bergen then asked for a sizable donation to build the facility, which is still known as the Sanford Petts Center. "That was the first major donation that we had to the university."

Dr. Bergen's career in osteopathic medicine included 30-years in private practice in Kennebunk, Maine, five years in Bethel, Alaska, and most recently at the Aroostook Medical Center and Horizons Health Services in Presque Isle, Maine. Dr. Bergen is survived by his wife, Mary, and their grown children, including 1992 alumnus Joseph Bergen, D.O. Dr. Bergen will be fondly remembered as a lifelong and tireless supporter of the College, the osteopathic profession, and the University of New England. ■

Bill Bergen and UNE

- Founding Member of the College of Osteopathic Medicine
- UNE Board Member Emeritus
- 1991 Pioneer of Osteopathic Medicine Medal
- 2007 honorary Doctor of Science degree

I think that this whole person approach that is the osteopathic number-one tenet really suits a family doc."

Dr. Bergen, quoted in the 2004 documentary "With These Hands"

with his wife, Mary, and daughter Jayne. In 2004, Dr. Bergen was interviewed by Holly Haywood and Kari Wagner for the documentary "With These Hands" commissioned by the Maine Osteopathic Association for their 100th anniversary celebration.

Originally from Far Rockaway, Long Island, New York, Dr. Bergen attended the University of Detroit and earned his bachelor's of science degree in 1953. It was in Detroit while working in a pharmacy that he learned about osteopathic medicine. "I was interested in being a physician ever since I was a little boy," Dr. Bergen told Haywood and Wagner.

(now A.T. Still University – Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine). He was determined – his determination was evident throughout his entire career – but had a very tight time frame to meet before the start of classes. "I had been in the Army in Europe, came back and was accepted in Kirksville. I got back from Europe on the 5th of September and got discharged on the 8th of September and classes began on the 10th of September in Missouri." He continued the story about taking the train and being dropped off at what would be less than a station or platform "at 11 o'clock at night. There was nothing around but cornfields and

Honorary ALUMNA

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The seeds of Mattina “Tina” Proctor’s philanthropy were sown early in life. Born in Boston, Mass., in 1926, Tina grew up in the shadow of the Great Depression and WWII, and was moved by the suffering, poverty and injustice around her. These experiences led her to become an active volunteer early in life and a compassionate philanthropist in her later years.

As a child, Tina spent time in New York, New Orleans and Boston but her home was in Camden, Maine. In 1991, she founded The Mattina R. Proctor Foundation, to provide support for health care, medical research, the performing arts and education initiatives in Massachusetts and Maine.

Although Tina was a strong advocate of higher education, she did not graduate from college, adopting UNE as her alma mater. Since that time, both campuses of the University have benefited from her generosity in a myriad of ways, including gifts for the UNEqualed Vision Campaign and Campaign for Goddard on the Portland Campus, as well as gifts to the George and Barbara Bush Center and Marine Science Center in support of arts and sciences on the Biddeford Campus. The Foundation has also provided scholarship funds for marine biology students.

Tina passed away on February 20, 2005. In appreciation of her many years of generosity, she will be posthumously granted an Honorary Alumna Award at the 2009 UNE Alumni Weekend this September. The Honorary Alumna Award is given to an individual (or individuals) who has shown unusual interest and given substantial service to the general Alumni Association. Says Jeffrey D. Hutchins, Trustee of The Mattina R. Proctor Foundation, “I am sure that the designation of Honorary Alumna would have pleased Tina, as she had adopted UNE as her own. This award will be a fitting and lasting tribute to her.” ■



MATTINA R. PROCTOR
This bust of Proctor was donated to UNE by the Mattina R. Proctor Foundation. It sits in the Mattina R. Proctor Gallery at the George and Barbara Bush Center on the Biddeford Campus.

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