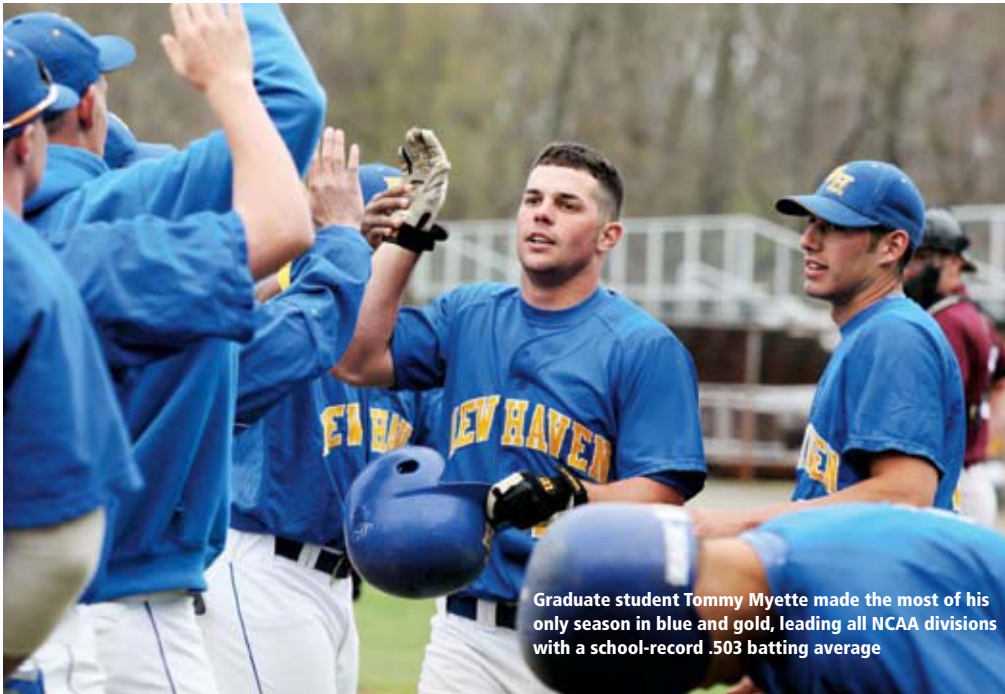




# View from the Hill

## CHARGER ATHLETICS



Graduate student Tommy Myette made the most of his only season in blue and gold, leading all NCAA divisions with a school-record .503 batting average

First Team All-Region by the NFCA. She logged 21 wins and struck out 227 batters in her first collegiate season. Fellow freshman Nicole Downs '09 Criminal Justice, also earned All-Conference and All-Region honors after batting over .400 in league play at second base.

### Track and Field

**T**rack and Field's Steven Jussaume '07 Fire Science, finished thirteenth nationally in the hammer throw, wrapping up his UNH career with a second consecutive NCAA qualification. Jussaume was voted First Team *ESPN the Magazine* Academic All-District for his academic work, after being voted UNH's Male Athlete of the Year.



Steven Jussaume demonstrates his skill at hammer throwing

### A BANNER YEAR

**U**NH Athletics finished third in the 2006–07 East Coast Conference Commissioner's Cup Standings behind winner C.W. Post and second-place Adelphi University. The Commissioner's Cup defines the league's top program across all sports. UNH earned the maximum points in women's basketball as the ECC Champions, and finished in the top three in five other sports. Women's volleyball earned second-place points, while both men's and women's soccer tied for second. Men's and women's cross country each placed third. The Chargers qualified for the East Coast Conference

Championships in every sport for which there is a post-season tournament and in which UNH sponsors a team.

### SPRING SUCCESSES

#### Baseball

New head coach Raphael Cerato guided the UNH baseball team to a 28-18 overall finish, with astounding batting from Tommy Myette '08 M.S., Forensic Science, who led the NCAA with an average of .503. Myette broke UNH's record of single-season hits with 88 in forty-six games. David Anderson '07 Business Administration, launched 17 home runs to break a school record. Michael Moras '08 Business Management, drove in 70

runs to shatter the University's single-season record. Both Anderson and Moras earned All-America recognition.

#### Softball

Under new head coach Jen Starek, the softball team posted an impressive turnaround from 2006. After winning just eighteen games that season, the Chargers rebounded to post a 26-19 record and earn a berth to the ECC Championships in 2007. After losing the team's top pitcher to an injury in the preseason, Breanne Gleason '10 Management of Sports Industries stepped up to fill the role and was named



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## CHARGER ATHLETICS

Shannon Gagne '09 Criminal Justice, in the long jump and Corinne Merjave '09 Psychology, in the pole vault led the women's track and field team to a second-place finish in the ECC.

### Golf

Tom Pollock '07 Accounting, earned a berth in the NCAA Men's Golf Northeast Regional Championships in the spring, after leading UNH with a 79.06 stroke average through nine tournaments in 2006-2007. Pollock finished in a tie for nineteenth place at the event in the Wheeling, West Virginia, regionals.

### Women's Lacrosse

Coach Jen Fallon led the team through a competitive season, playing five games against teams ranked in the national top ten and scoring an upset against 10<sup>th</sup>-ranked Philadelphia University to close out the season. Brigid Brady '09 Political Science, broke the University's record for career goals, leading the team with 55 goals and 64 points. Senior defender Amy Shields '07 Nutrition & Dietetics, earned First Team All-Conference honors, while Traci Cornwell '10 Hotel / Restaurant Management, joined Brady with a Second Team All-ECC award.



**Amy Shields '07 Nutrition and Dietetics, capped off her UNH career by earning First Team All-Conference honors**

### ANTICIPATING FALL

The University of New Haven's fall sports season has kicked off, and the Chargers are looking to build on a positive 2006-07 season that saw seven entries into NCAA post-season competition. For schedules of all of UNH's fall teams, please visit [www.newhaven.edu/athletics](http://www.newhaven.edu/athletics).

### Women's Volleyball

Honorable mention All-America selection Rhe-Ann Niles '08 Information Tech, is expected to be a candidate for league Player of the Year in her final season as a Charger. She leads a team that returns four of its top five scorers and welcomes two impact transfers from Division I institutions. UNH should be one of the top teams in the conference and region, seeking a return to the NCAA Tournament.

### Women's Soccer

After making back-to-back NCAA Regional appearances under head coach Brendan Faherty, the women's soccer team is looking to Amy Desmarais '08 Business Administration, and All-American midfielder Selina Moylan '09 Management of Sport Industries, to lead a young team to victory this year. Anna Scheueneman '10 Biology, and Jen McGurrin '10 Criminal Justice, were both multiple-goal scorers last season.



**UNH women's soccer looks to All-American midfielder Selina Moylan '09 to lead a young team this season**

### Men's Soccer

Joshua Krusewski takes the reins of the men's soccer team after being appointed head coach in May. Jessey Fernandez '09 Business Administration, earned All-Region and



**Rhe-Ann Niles '08 looks forward to another winning year on the court**

All-Conference honors in 2006, leading the team with six goals, and was second on the team in points, trailing only Tyler Smith '08 Criminal Justice, (five goals, four assists). The tandem will provide the scoring touch up front, while goalkeeper James Hilaire '09 Criminal Justice, leads the defense.

### Cross Country

Melissa Tempesta '10 General Studies, the 2006 East Coast Conference Runner of the Year and Rookie of the Year, will lead the Charger women's cross country team, along with all-conference and all-region performer Alissa von Schmidt '08 Criminal Justice.

On the men's side, James Beaubrun '08 Accounting and Criminal Justice, Chris Blackistone '08 Information Technology, and Tom Hope '10



Fire Science, lead a team that placed eighth in the NCAA Regionals a year ago. Beaubrun was 25th at the Regionals and finished just one spot behind Blackistone at the ECC Championships.

### Tennis

Coach Al “Skip” South’s crew will be led by All-Conference performer Sarah Lefler ’08 Criminal Justice, and doubles partner Kristina Bensley ’10 Criminal Justice. Bensley won her opening-round match at the ECC Individual Flight Championships, and Lefler won six of nine singles matches during the season.



High hopes follow Cross Country’s All-Conference and All-Region honoree Alissa von Schmidt



Quarterback Cazzie Kosciolek (#11) hands off to running back Donald Highsmith (#26) in a 43-14 win over Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1997 at UNH’s Robert B. Dodds Stadium

## A Nod to the Past, a Sprint Toward the Future

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**President Steven H. Kaplan**

As the University explores the possibility of reclassifying to the Division I level — a move that could potentially return football to UNH — the Department of Athletics is in the midst of planning the 2007 Charger Huddle for Friday, October 19 at 7 p.m. at The Belvedere in New Haven.

This year’s Huddle, “Success of the 7’s,” celebrates the anniversaries of several teams that brought glory to UNH athletics during years ending in “7.” Teams to be honored include the 1987 Women’s Basketball National Championship team, the 1976 and 1977 Men’s Soccer Final Four teams, the 1997 Women’s Volleyball Elite Eight team, and the 1977 and 1987 Baseball College World Series squads.

Members of the 1997 NCAA Runner-Up football team will also return to be feted for their accomplishments. It will be a day of reminiscence, particularly for the football players, who saw the program vanish from UNH schedules after 2003.

Should the University reclassify its divisional status, football may be required in a new conference or division. Says President Steven H. Kaplan, “UNH is seeking the right fit for our athletic programs, both athletically and academically. The ultimate decision on NCAA divisional affiliation will not be made lightly.”

For more information or to reserve a spot at the Huddle, please call the Department of Athletics at 203.932.7016 or 7017, or e-mail [szawacki@newhaven.edu](mailto:szawacki@newhaven.edu).