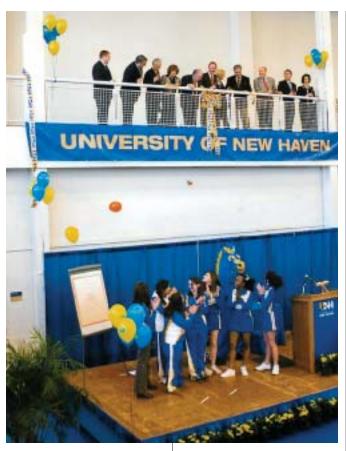


# View from the Hill



### **Beckerman Center Opens To Rave Reviews**

Balloons and applause filled the air, ceremonial ribbons were cut and praise was heaped upon the \$15.5 million David A. Beckerman Recreation Center in February as the campus celebrated the much-anticipated building's completion. The Beckerman Center saw almost 12,000 visits in April alone, and for the spring semester, a total of about 50,000 visitors checked in.

### **New Residence Hall To Offer Sound Views**

The ground has been broken for a \$46 million, 400-bed apartment-style residence hall on Ruden Street, set to open in the fall of 2009. Residents will enjoy a beautiful view of the Long Island Sound.



### **Record-Shattering Enrollment at UNH**

Increasing an incoming class 100 percent in one year is extremely rare. But at the University of New Haven, it's business as usual. UNH has experienced an off-the-charts spike in enrollment for fall 2008. By the crucial national deadline of May 1, deposits were up 104 percent over last year, following a dizzying number of applications.

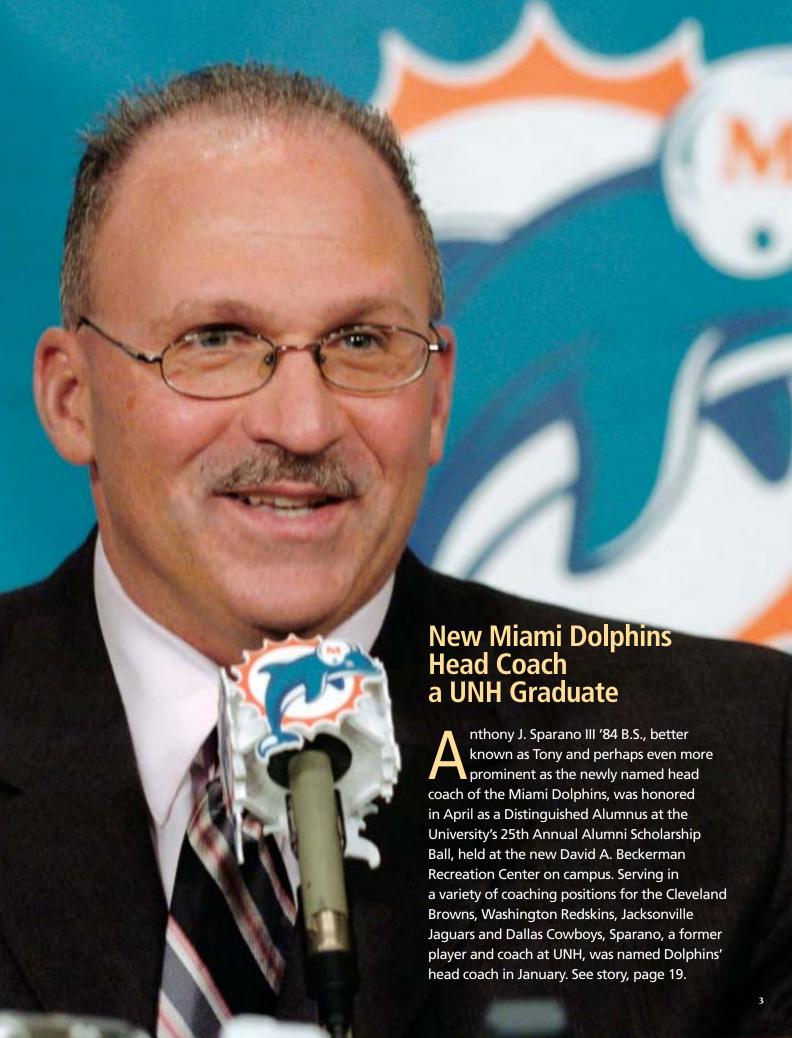
### **President Kaplan Named Businessperson** of the Year

Business New Haven magazine named UNH President Steven H. Kaplan Businessperson of the Year for 2008, following up with an overwhelmingly positive profile in the February 4 issue of the magazine and a dinner honoring Dr. Kaplan and other award winners in March. The magazine article was titled "The Man With the Plan: Employing a CEO's focus and clarity of purpose, Steve Kaplan has transformed the University of

> New Haven." The magazine justified the selection of a university president for the business award by citing UNH's \$100 million budget, 500-plus employees, 80 acres and 5,000 students. It cited Dr. Kaplan's five-year business plan and his fiveyear strategic plan, along with the new programs, ambitious building projects and numerous initiatives that have reinvigorated

the campus since his arrival. To read the story, visit www.newhaven.edu, click on News & Events, then UNH in the News then Winter 2008. Scroll down to the story.







### **University College Offers Corporate Training**

University College and IKEA-New Haven partnered to provide IKEA employees customized training in a ground-breaking program. This fall, the program will expand with special training for employees of Masonicare, along with programming for Masonicare residents at Ashlar Village, Masonicare's Continuing Care Retirement Community in Wallingford.

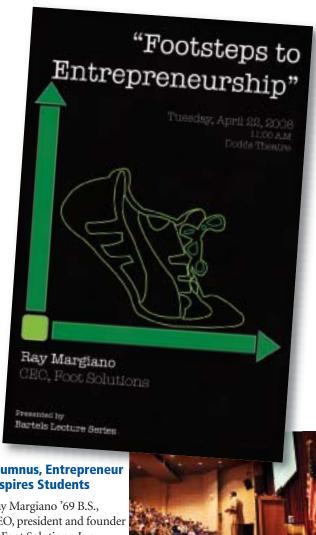
### **UNH's International Festival Spotlights Cultures of the World**

Colorful and informative displays, a wide range of food and impressive entertainment were all part of UNH's 28th Annual International Festival April 5. UNH's international students representing 22 countries, as well as students from the United States, took part.

### **Esteemed Artist is New Seton Gallery Director**

Vladimir Shpitalnik, a prominent painter, illustrator, and costume and set designer, joined the Seton Gallery as its new director earlier this year. A graduate of the Yale School of Drama and the Moscow Art Theatre School, he has created set and costume designs for productions at the American Place Theatre, Soho Rep, the Joffrey Ballet, the Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center, the Moscow Art Theatre Studio and many others. Shpitalnik is the recipient of a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts, has illustrated three children's books for Random House/Knopf and serves on the faculties of Southern Connecticut State University and the Paier College of Art.





### **Alumnus, Entrepreneur Inspires Students**

Ray Margiano '69 B.S., CEO, president and founder of Foot Solutions, Inc., spoke to a packed crowd at Dodds Theatre in April, mixing his lecture about entrepreneurship with inspirational videos and frank talk about failure and success. Margiano spoke with undergraduate and graduate students in classes; delivered the lecture "Footsteps to Entrepreneurship;" had breakfast with University

officials and lunch with student leaders; and visited with his brother, Don Margiano, a retired Derby police officer who accompanied him throughout the day's events. "I wouldn't be where I am in life without UNH giving me my start," Margiano says.

### Farewell and Good Fortune to New Graduates

The University awarded 479 undergraduate degrees and 371 graduate degrees at its 85th Annual Commencement May 24 at the Ralph F. DellaCamera Stadium on North Campus. Former NFL head coach Dick Vermeil, bottom photo, right, who also achieved prominence as a college football analyst for network TV, was the commencement speaker. Vermeil, engineer and entrepreneur Michael J. Hartnett '69 B.S., bottom, second from right, and community activist and successful realtor Barbara L. Pearce, bottom, left, received honorary degrees. The three are pictured with University President Steven H. Kaplan, second from left.

Months earlier, during Winter Commencement Jan. 19,



University President Steven H. Kaplan hoods his daughter, Noemi, at UNH's Winter Commencement ceremony.

Ernest F. Schaub '72 B.S., retired president and CEO of EnPro Industries, spoke to the 150 undergraduates and 300 graduate students receiving their degrees. Honorary degrees were awarded to Schaub, human resources professional and Board of Governors' member William L. Bucknall Jr. '65 B.S., and John J. Crawford, a New Haven-area business leader.





Top photo: Graduates amassed at Ralph F. DellaCamera Stadium; Bottom photo: Honorary degree recipients flanking President Steven Kaplan, second from left, are community activist and realtor Barbara L. Pearce, entrepreneur Michael J. Hartnett '69 B.S. and retired NFL coach Richard A. Vermeil, the commencement speaker.

### Economics Expert is New Business College Dean

Dr. Richard A. Highfield, former dean of the Peter J. Tobin College of Business at St. John's University in Jamaica, N.Y., is the new dean of the College of Business. Dr. Highfield has also served as dean of the School of Business at the University at Albany, and was associate dean of the M.B.A. Program and Operations at Cornell University. He is a graduate of Stanford and Santa Clara universities and the University of Chicago. As a personal aside, he is an accomplished tenor.

### Lee College Welcomes New Dean

Dr. Richard H. Ward joined UNH this summer as the new dean of the Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas, where he served as associate vice president for Research and Special Programs. Previously, he served as vice chancellor for Administration at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Ward earned doctoral and master's degrees in Criminology from the University of California, Berkeley, and a bachelor of science degree from John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York.

### Tagliatela College Promotes A Popular Professor

Ali Montazer, professor of Industrial Engineering, was appointed associate dean of the Tagliatela College of Engineering. A professor at UNH for more than 20 years, he served as chairman of the Department of Industrial Engineering from 1992 to 1996 and chairman of the Department of Computer Science and Industrial Engineering from 2003 to 2006. A co-founder of the Innovation Initiative at UNH, he served for a number of years as industry liaison for the Tagliatela College.

# Winter/Spring Lectures Engineering Safety at Sea

Dr. Matthew Griffiths, professor of Physics at UNH, "Oil Rig Safety: Developing Design Guidance."

### **Moving Around, Technologically**

Dr. Huei Peng, professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering and executive director of Interdisciplinary and Professional Engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, "Advanced Power Systems for Sustainable Personal Mobility."

### The United States and the Third World: A History

Mark Atwood Lawrence, University of Texas-Austin professor and Cassius Marcellus Clay Fellow in the Department of History at Yale, "Containing Globalism: U.S. Foreign Policy Toward the Third World from Kennedy to Kissinger."

### **Academics, Industry Seek Connections**

Dr. Don Haynie, founder, vice president for Research and chief scientific officer of Artificial Cell Technologies, Inc., "Searching for Synergy between Academia and Industry."

### **Victim Education**

UNH faculty member Christopher Sedelmaier, "Found Guilty, Finding Guilt: Effects of a Standardized Victim Impact Curriculum for Inmates."

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### Winter/Spring Lectures

### **A Classical Music Primer**

UNH Assistant Professor Dr. José García-León, "Enjoying Classical Music."

### **Engineering with a Conscience**

Dr. Julie Newman, director, Office of Sustainability at Yale, "Challenges for Sustainable Engineering."

### **Coping with a Workforce That Crosses Generations**

Becca Kitchell, assistant director of Residential Life at UNH, at the Branford Chamber of Commerce, "The Cross Generational Workforce."

# Combine an Inventor and a Physician And Make a Miracle

Dr. Richard Deslauriers '90 B.S., president, Doctors Research Group, "Innovations in Medical Technology."

# Background on the Black Hawk

Ray Leoni, 'father' of the Black Hawk helicopter, "Design and Innovation."



### **International Entrepreneurship**

Dr. Dennis Xu, chairman of the board of Viaon Technology Corporation, "Viaon's Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Suzhou Industrial Park, China."

### **On Human Trafficking**

Ron Soodalter, author of "Hanging Captain Gordon: The Life and Trial of an American Slave Trader."



### **Gender Distinctions Probed**

Dr. Abbas Nadim, professor in the UNH Department of Management, "Gender Differences in Leadership."

### **A Special Nose Sniffs Out Chemicals**

Dr. Nancy Ortins Savage, assistant UNH Chemistry professor, "Take a Whiff of This: Chemical Detection and the Electronic Nose."

### *In the News*

# For UNH EMBA Student, Lifelong Learning Becomes Family Focus

Family Circle magazine, June 2008: Brigitte Cogswell '08 profiled.

# Student Interns Help Upgrade Fire Department Resources

North Haven Post, May 7

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### Blown Away by UNH Wind Tunnel

High school students stopped by UNH this spring to see Engineering Professor Konstantine Lambrakis, above, demonstrate supersonic flow at Mach 3 speed, using what is likely the largest wind tunnel in Connecticut, located right on campus. The students were from the Academy of Information Technology in Stamford, the Southeastern Connecticut Science and Technology Magnet High School in New London, and Bristol Eastern High School. WVIT Channel 30 (NBC) and the New Haven Register covered the event.

### **New Website Goes Live**

The new website was fully operational in early January, presenting the University in a strong light to prospective students, and enabling current students, faculty, staff and alumni to access information rapidly. One of the site's new homepages is displayed below. Visit www.newhaven.edu to see more.





# View from the Hill

### Top High School Students Can Now Attend UNH

Thanks to UNH's recently implemented College before College program, New Haven high school students with a minimum score of 1100 on their SATs and at least a B+ in each class are eligible to take a class at UNH free of charge. Nineteen students enrolled for the '08 spring semester.

### UNH Victimology Club Remembers Virginia Tech

April 16 marked the one-year anniversary of the Virginia Tech shootings, during which 32 students and faculty members were killed. UNH's Victimology Club organized a 'lie in' using student volunteers to represent each of the victims. Dressed in black and wearing ribbons made by friends and family members of the fallen, the students lay on the ground for



three minutes, the time it typically takes to purchase a gun in Virginia. The mother of Jessica Santos, a UNH student shot and killed in Yonkers, N.Y. spoke about the importance of gun laws. Several statewide news organizations covered the event. Above, club president Nikita Carmona is interviewed by WVIT TV Channel 30 (NBC).

### **Student Art Showcased**

The Seton Gallery hosted works from the University's 2008 Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition May 8 through June 6. Dozens of appreciative viewers turned out to applaud the efforts and the art. Right, an entry by Brian Vogel '09.

## **Career Services Connects Students with Life Coaches**

Career Services' "Get Made at UNH" program, named after a popular MTV show, this year more than doubled the number of student participants and more than tripled the number of life coaches. One student participant said, "The coaching program provides me with the tools and knowledge to obtain resources to educate myself in choosing a discipline, making career choices, obtaining a job interview and planning for my future."

### Dental Hygiene Students Help Those in Need

The globe-trotting Dental Hygiene program continued its charitable work helping impoverished families access quality dental care. Five Dental Hygiene students traveled to a clinic in Honduras for two weeks starting at the end of May, and six Dental Hygiene students went to Romania for two weeks beginning June 21. The Romanian program was established several years ago; the Honduran program began in 2007.



# **Celebration Showcases Experiential Education**

More than 200 students, faculty and staff listened as participants in the Second Annual Experiential Education Day Celebration shared student research, study-abroad presentations on student experiences from seven countries, internship booths and Academic Service-Learning displays May 1. UNH's newly created Society for Experiential Education also recognized 18 faculty and staff members and 27 students for their accomplishments in experiential education.

### Facebook Study Abroad Site Created

The Study Abroad program has created a global group on Facebook, the popular social networking site, to connect all UNH students who have an interest in the University's Study Abroad program with study-abroad students throughout the world.



### *In the News* contined from page 6

### **Business Ethics Aren't All the Same**

Entrepreneur, May 2008: George Haley, director of the Center for International Industry Competitiveness at UNH, comments.

### **Dance Trio on National TV**

The Hartford Courant, Feb 24 and April 19:

The hip-hop dance trio E3, which includes two UNH students, performed on the national TV programs "Showtime at the Apollo" and "America's Got Talent."

### **Students Remember Virginia Tech Victims**

The Hartford Courant, The New Haven Register, April 17 WVIT TV Channel 30 (NBC); Fox 61; New England Cable Network,

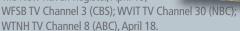
### **Decades of Influence for Athletics Director Chin**

NCAA News, April 17

Deborah Chin has been a positive influence on higher education and intercollegiate athletics for more than three decades.

### **Engineering Students' Concrete Canoe** is Heavy Competition

The Hartford Courant, April 17; The New Haven Register, April 19;



### **Pro Athletes' Managing Businesses Called 'Entourage Economics'**

The Wall Street Journal, April 11; Proathletesonly.com, May 2 Dr. Allen Sack, director of the Institute for Sport Management at UNH, comments.

### The Game of Life

The Providence Journal, April 6: Students from 17 East Coast universities, including UNH, who plan to work in Human Resources, took part in the HR Games, a Jeopardy-style competition.



### **DNA Tests May Solve Mystery** of Anastasia

Associated Press, April 3: Dr. Henry C. Lee, founder of the Forensic Science program at UNH, comments.

### **Crime Solvers Gather**

WVIT TV Channel 30 (NBC); The New Haven Register, March 26: Experts from around the world met at the annual crime-solving conference hosted by UNH's Henry C. Lee Institute of Forensic Science.

### **Lee Institute Gets Boost from State**

The Hartford Courant, March 20; The New Haven Register, March 21: State funds \$1 million of UNH's Henry C. Lee Institute building project.

### **Workplace Bullying**

CT Public Radio (NPR) "Where We Live" March 17: UNH professor Dr. Tara L'Heureux featured.

### **Should College Athletes be Paid?**

Christian Science Monitor, March 7: Dr. Allen Sack, director of the Institute for Sport Management at UNH, comments.

### **From Ivory Tower to Factory Floor**

Meriden Record-Journal, March 2; The New Haven Register, April 28: UNH graduate students' virtual-reality model helps forge smooth operation at area factory.

# Help Us Meet a Million Dollar Challenge

A friend and donor to the University who wishes to remain anonymous has issued a challenge to the University of New Haven community: Give a gift to the Henry C. Lee Institute of Forensic Science building project, and the donor will match all gifts up to \$1 million.



The challenge grant, announced in June by President Kaplan, was initiated to encourage gifts to the Lee Institute building fund. The new building will house laboratories, a museum open to the public, a research center accessible to scholars, researchers and others in law enforcement, forensic science and national security, a cold-case resolution center, classrooms and more. More information on the challenge gift is available by calling Timothy Stanton, associate vice president for Advancement Operations, at 203.932.7285.

### **Physical Evidence Can be of Limited Value**

The Philadelphia Inquirer, February 14: Howard Harris, professor of Forensics and Heather Coyle, assistant professor of Forensics at UNH, comment.

### **Cop Case Lags Behind**

Newsday, Trentonian, February 9: James Adcock, assistant professor and director, Investigative Services at UNH, comments.

### **Solving Cold Cases Could Get More Difficult**

USA Today, February 4: James Adcock, assistant professor and director, Investigative Services at UNH, comments.

### **UNH Alumni Tony Sparano Miami Dolphins Coach**

Associated Press, The Hartford Courant, The New Haven Register, Palm Beach Post, January 17 Foxsports.com, February 11; Boston Herald, March 23; Palm Beach Post, April 1; The Hartford



Courant, The New Haven Register, WTNH TV Channel 8 (ABC), April 12.

### **Creating Capacity in Study Abroad**

Inside Higher Ed, January 2: UNH provides academic oversight for the Global/Campus programs offered by Cultural Experiences Abroad.

### **Seton Gallery Director Vladimir Shpitalnik Featured in Sunday Arts section**

The Hartford Courant, January 6.

### **Questioning China's Steel Industry**

Nashville Business Journal, January 8; Hartford Business, January 28: Usha Haley, director of the Global Business Center at UNH, comments.

### **Freshman Year Abroad**

Inside Higher Ed, October 23: UNH sent its first cohort of freshmen to Roehampton University, Dennis Nostrand, vice president for Enrollment Management, comments.

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