



## View from the Hill



### Campus Celebrates Completion of Residence Hall's Frame

Construction workers have almost finished enclosing the structure of the new \$46 million, 400-bed residence hall on Ruden Street. A ceremony held September 25 that celebrated the placement of the final beam on the frame drew hundreds from the campus community to sign the beam and celebrate the building's progress. Speaking to the crowd during the festivities, UNH Board of Governors Chair Samuel S. Bergami Jr. '85 E.M.B.A., said of President Kaplan's efforts, "We are here today to celebrate change, and growth, and the power of determination." The building will be completed in fall 2009 and will feature views of the Long Island Sound and New Haven. To view press coverage of this event and real-

time video of the construction, visit [www.newhaven.edu](http://www.newhaven.edu). (Please wait a moment for the webcam to load.)

### Freshmen Flock to Campus, Setting a Record

Freshman enrollment for fall 2008 increased by a staggering 60 percent from the previous year, with a record-setting 1,100

freshmen arriving for Move-In Day August 24. The University was ready with dozens of events planned for the students' first week to help them acclimate to their new surroundings.

Below, students pack the annual Club Fair. Right, upperclassmen help move in students.



### Freshman Study Abroad Draws Top Students

Twenty freshmen from UNH traveled to Roehampton University in England in September as part of the University's Freshman Study Abroad program. In a highly competitive selection process, "we used academic profiles, SAT scores and SAT writing samples to choose the students," said Vice President for Enrollment Management Dennis Nostrand. About 80 students remained on a waiting list for the program. "It has become extremely popular," Nostrand said.





# Students Combine Learning and Travel For a Study-Abroad Summer

Students from the University traversed the globe this past summer, taking advantage of study-abroad opportunities to learn about business, art, architecture, culture and history, and to provide services to the poor.

**Honduras** Assistant Professor Teal Mercer traveled with five Dental Hygiene students to the island of Roatan, Honduras, to the Los Fuentes Dental Clinic and the Clinica Esperanza, providing care to almost 200 patients. The group ventured into Colonia, the poorest neighborhood on the island, to teach residents about dental hygiene.



**France** Seven UNH students lived in a historic French castle for 10 days and took part in two courses led by English Department Practitioner-in-Residence Dr. David Perry. Their WWII course was taught from the battlefields of Normandy and their Art History course from the ramparts of Le Mont Saint Michelle to the Louvre in Paris.



**Italy** Ten students, escorted by Linda Scinto, an adjunct instructor in the Interior Design Program, visited Rome, Pompeii and Florence for a two-week trip. They toured ancient Roman sites, the Vatican and St. Peter's Basilica, and climbed Mount Vesuvius. "The trip was a wonderful and amazing experience for us all," Scinto said.



**China** UNH undergraduates traveled to China to visit 10 corporations and to meet with marketing executives from each. Led by Marketing Professor Ben Judd and Practitioner-in-Residence Chien Wen Yu, the nine students attended morning lectures and were required to write a final paper on the trip for course credit.



**Russia** Daria Kirjanov, a UNH adjunct instructor of Russian, accompanied nine students on a two-week Moscow trip. The students stayed in a Moscow State University dormitory, traveled to St. Petersburg, and learned how to live from a Russian perspective. Said Kirjanov, "Their final reaction: This is a really amazing place. We want to go back."



**Romania** Professor Teal Mercer took six Dental Hygiene students to Romania, treating 170 children and adults at the Pro Vita Orphanage, using both Romanian and English to communicate, and treating 230 more patients in the nearby village of Slon. Neither location was equipped for dentistry; students worked off benches, cots and air mattresses on the floor.







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### New Lab Enhances Fire Investigation Techniques

Thanks to a gift from University benefactor Mark Levy, cosmetic and structural improvements were made in October to the University's Fire Investigation Laboratory. Those changes included the construction of three 10 ½ by 10 ½ square foot rooms built on wheels, which allow Fire Science professors to wheel the rooms outside, set a fire inside them, extinguish the fire using a new CO<sub>2</sub> system, then allow students to investigate its cause. "They get detailed classroom instruction, then go out there and do the physical documentation of evidence and determine the

origin and cause of the blaze," said Fire Science instructor Bruce Varga.

### Landmark Agreements Reached With Two Community Colleges

Students from Gateway Community College in New Haven and Housatonic Community College in Bridgeport were guaranteed a 'seamless transfer' to UNH provided they maintain a 2.5 grade point average after President Kaplan signed agreements with both colleges this past summer. The agreements also provided grants up to \$12,000 for students with exemplary academic records.



### Communication Program Grows With Construction of Media Center

The Communication Department in Maxcy Hall now boasts the new state-of-the-art Laurel Vlock Center for Convergent Media, above. It allows all media technologies – radio, TV, newspapers, the Internet – to be converged for use with one another. Servers that facilitate all types of editing and major names in technology, including MacProG5, Filemaker Pro and Final Cut Pro, are all part of the center's offerings. "The center is fully stocked," said Steven Raucher, chairman of the Department of Communication, Film and Theatre. "When the folks from Apple came in, they said they had never seen anything like it. It is absolutely the finest facility of its kind in the country."

### Colloquium Attracts Attention, Audience Internationally

Dozens of law enforcement and national security officials from throughout the globe attended the 10th Annual International Colloquium on Intelligence in early August, hosted by the University of New Haven's National Security Graduate Program. Dr. William Tafoya, director of the program, coordinated the effort, which attracted experts such as Associate Executive Director Philip Mudd of the FBI, who spoke to colloquium participants on the topic of national security.



### President's Public Service Fellows Make Their Mark in Community

UNH's President's Public Service Fellows spent their summer contributing to the greater good by working at area non-profits. Pictured here with President Kaplan are this year's fellows: Stephan Braye, Forensic Science and Chemistry; Meghan Brooks, Criminal Justice; Charnessy Brower, Political Science and Music Industry; Wilfred Burrows, Chemical Engineering; Ashley Hardy, Criminal Justice; Latoya Lisle, Criminal Justice; Victoria McFarlane, Accounting; Deshawn McGregor, Biology; Sandra Mondesir, Political Science; Carmen Paulino, Undecided; Zachary Starkey, Business Administration; and Yesenia Vargas, Criminal Justice.

## UNH Artist Exhibits At Mass MoCa

Practitioner-in-Residence Joseph Smolinski of the University's Visual and Performing Arts Program developed a spinning tree that generates electricity for the exhibit, "Badlands: New Horizons in Landscape," at the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art in North Adams, Mass. The concept of applying aesthetics to alternative energy sources has grown in the art community as municipalities have adopted a more energy-efficient, environmentally friendly outlook. "I was responding to an article I read in The New York Times about wind power," Smolinski said. "Most opponents of wind power believe wind turbines mar the landscape. These are the same people who disguise cell phone towers as trees. So I thought, 'Why not make a wind turbine that looks like a tree?'"



## Powerful Microscope Assists Lyme Research

The Schwartz Foundation recently presented the Department of Biology and Environmental Science with the gift of a Leica DM2500 microscope. The microscope's powerful magnification significantly improves clarity of images, says Dr. Eva Sapi, who has been pursuing ground-breaking research into the study of *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the bacteria that causes Lyme disease.

## In the News

### Colleges Deal with Overbooked Freshman Classes

USA Today, September 4, 2008: UNH's staggering one year 60 percent increase in first year students noted.

### How They Did It: Doubled Enrollment in a Year

University Business, June 13, 2008: Notes impressive increase in UNH's incoming class.

### Back to School for Job Security

Good Housekeeping, September 2008: Graduate student Jan Martin discusses how a 21-month UNH master's program boosted her skills.

### The Good Enough Guide to Health

ABC News.com; Prevention Magazine, June 2008: Rosa Mo, a nutrition professor, comments.

### From Division II to Dolphins, Sparano's Rise Impressive

USA Today, August 13, 2008; ESPN.com, July 10, 2008: Spotlights alumnus, UNH former football coach and new Miami Dolphins Head Coach Tony Sparano '84.



### Special Treatment for Athletes

Los Angeles Times, May 31, 2008; Indianapolis Star, September 7, 2008: Allen Sack, UNH management professor and author of *Counterfeit Amateurs*, quoted.

### Ad Campaign Promotes Hartford Hospital Cardiology

Hartford Business, September 15, 2008: UNH professor Tony Carter comments on the trend of hospitals to initiate broad marketing campaigns.

### Largest Class in UNH History Moves in

WVIT TV Channel 30 (NBC); WTIC TV Channel 61 (Fox); WFSB TV Channel 3 (CBS); WTNH TV Channel 8 (ABC), August 24, 2008; New Haven Register, August 25, 2008.

### New Haven Football

NCAA Champion, September 9, 2008: UNH begins its first year in the prestigious Northeast-10 conference.



### New Haven Seeing Blue

ncaa.org, September 9, 2008: UNH's new blue turf field in Ralph F. DellaCamera Stadium is spotlighted.

### 9-11 Triggers Substantial Growth in UNH's National Security Master's Program

WTIC TV Channel 61 (Fox): UNH's National Security Graduate Program Director Dr. Bill Tafoya and students quoted.

### Savin Court Apartments Big Win for UNH and West Haven

WVIT TV Channel 30 (NBC); WFSB TV Channel 3 (CBS); WTNH TV Channel 8 (ABC); WVIT September 2, 2008; New Haven Register, September 4, 2008: UNH, West Haven and a New Haven builder team up to upgrade city housing for UNH students.

### Relax: Find a Low-Stress Job with High Potential

AOL.com Find a Job, September 2, 2008: Dr. Stuart Sidle, assistant professor and I/O Psychology Program coordinator at UNH, is quoted.



## In the News

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### Liability of Fitness Facilities

Athletic Business, September 2008: Gil Fried, UNH professor and chair of the Sport Hospitality Management Department, comments.

### An Array of Opinions On Obama

Hartford Courant, August 24, 2008: Nikita Carmona '08, a recent UNH graduate, and Robert Boles, director of the Theatre Program at UNH, comment on the Democratic presidential nomination of Barack Obama.



### The Effects of Oral Piercing

Journal of Practical Hygiene, May/June 2008: Article by Mark Kacerik, UNH associate professor and sophomore clinic coordinator for the Department of Dental Hygiene.

### College Basketball Could be Hurt by Defections

Washington Post, July 8, 2008: Allen Sack, director of the Institute for Sport Management at UNH, comments.

### Temporary Home for Magnet School

New Haven Register, June 26, 2008: The Engineering and Science University 6-12 Magnet School, a collaborative effort between the New Haven School District and UNH, opened in September with 88 sixth graders.

### Freshmen Get Head Start on Career Path

New Haven Register, June 22, 2008: At UNH, students are advised to begin thinking about their career goals as early as freshman year.



### Students Learn How to Crack the Case

Hartford Courant, August 2, 2008: Meriden Record Journal, August 1, 2008; Connecticut Post, August 1, 2008: Renowned forensic scientist Dr. Henry C. Lee makes a surprise visit to the Crime Scene Investigation Camp for high school students at UNH.

### International Students Flocking to Area Universities

Business New Haven, June 23, 2008: Joe Spellman, director of International Admissions at UNH, and a UNH international student comment.

### Baking the Bones

Hartford Courant, April 20, 2008: UNH researchers develop a new DNA-extraction technique.

### Some Day This All will be Yours. Then What?

Business New Haven, May 26, 2008: Paul Sessions, director of UNH's Center for Family Business, comments.

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## Honors

### Prize-Winning Work

The work of Assistant Chemistry Professor Dr. Nancy Ortins Savage, Ph.D., was recently recognized by the Connecticut Quality Improvement Partnership, which awarded the University a silver CQIA Innovation Prize for its Engineering and Science Summer Institute for Young Women. Dr. Savage coordinates the Institute.



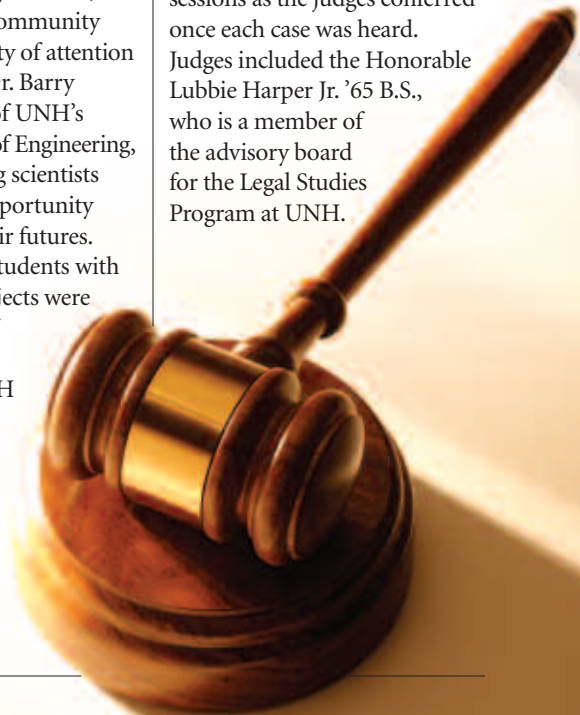
### Engineering and Science University Magnet Opens To Critical Acclaim

A collaboration between UNH and area school districts, the New Haven area's first public inter-district magnet school for sixth through twelfth graders to focus on the critical areas of engineering and science opened in September to rave reviews. The school, which opened with 88 sixth graders, generated excitement among students, teachers and the community and garnered plenty of attention from the media. Dr. Barry Farbrother, dean of UNH's Tagliatela College of Engineering, spoke to the young scientists about what the opportunity could mean to their futures. On hand to help students with opening week projects were UNH Professor of Engineering Chris Martinez and UNH Associate Dean of Engineering Ali Montazer. Also

assisting were UNH engineering students Tom Ruggieri '10, Rio Cayabyab '10, above with students, and Chris Stankus '09.

### Appellate Court Brings Criminal Cases to Campus

Students witnessed the legal process firsthand when the Connecticut Appellate Court tried two criminal cases on campus September 24. Attorneys conducted audience discussion sessions as the judges conferred once each case was heard. Judges included the Honorable Lubbie Harper Jr. '65 B.S., who is a member of the advisory board for the Legal Studies Program at UNH.



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## Student Summer Research: From Sculpture to Seeds

*Several UNH students spent their summer researching a diversity of subjects ranging from bone tissue chemistry to human responses to music and film. The students, listed below, worked with faculty mentors to pursue their projects:*

Jeremy J. Esposito '09 Marine Biology, and Kimberly Perrelli '10 Marine Biology. Research: "Aquaculture of *Limulus polyphemus*, a biomedically important organism: Captive Spawning and Larval Grow-Out"

Jessica Emerson '09 Visual Art/Fine Arts, and Brian Vogel '09 Visual Art/Graphic Design. Research: "From virtual to real: Explorations in computer-aided sculpture"

Jaime Miller '09 Biotechnology. Research: "Microfilarial nematodes as potential tick-borne pathogens"



Katherine Carpenter '11 Nutrition/Dietetics and Pre-Med. Research: "Establishment of an in-vitro system to study *Borrelia burgdorferi* biofilm formation"

Brian Francisco '09 Mechanical Engineering. Research: "Unlocking the material-sensing abilities of the Atomic Force microscope at UNH"

Mike Cicero '10 Forensic Science and Biology. Research: "Development of genetic markers for *polydora cornuta* (Annelida Polychaeta) for population ecology studies"

Courtney Jones '09 Biochemistry, Chemistry Research: "Mutation Detection: Pantothenate Kinase associated neurodegeneration"

Julie A. Hull '09 Forensic Science/Biology/Pre-Med. Research: "You are what and where you eat: An investigation of the link between environment and mineral composition in bone tissue"

Alice Coppock '10 Computer Science. Research: "Computational Chemistry of Parrondo's Paradox"

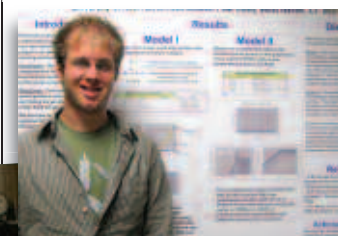
Leah Pandiscia '09 Chemistry and Forensic Science. Research: "Electrochromic behavior of layered WO<sub>3</sub>-Polypyrrole films"

Daniel Osipovitch '09, (pictured top right) Chemistry and Forensic Science. Research: "Optimization and Validation of a Computational model of two-temperature PCR"

Kelli Sladick '09 Forensic Science and Biochemistry. Research: "Examination of cocaine base/cocaine hydrochloride mixtures"

Western Zickefoose '09 Chemical Engineering. Research: "Initiating bioengineering at UNH: The bioreactor demonstration project"

Mackenzie Bear '10 (pictured below) Chemistry and Biology. Research: "Synthesis and Characterization of Vanadium (V) Oxide and Polypyrrole Composite Gas Sensors"



Brandon Bujnowski '10 Music and Sound Recording. Research: "Human aesthetic response to music and film"

Gillian Lazarus '10 Forensic Science and Chemistry, Heather McClure '10 Forensic Science. Research: "Biodiesel from Connecticut seed crops"





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### Book Highlights Effect of Commercialism on College Athletics

Dr. Allen Sack, director of the Institute for Sport Management and professor of Management at the University of New Haven, recently published the book "Counterfeit Amateurs: An Athlete's Journey Through the Sixties to the Age of Academic Capitalism." In his book, Sack examines the effect of commercialism on college athletics while integrating his own experiences as a highly recruited high school athlete and former Notre Dame football player.



### Recent Lectures at UNH

#### Response to Unwanted Pursuit

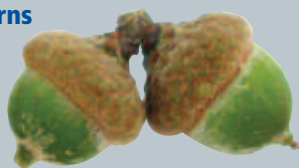
Dr. Leila B. Dutton, associate professor of Criminal Justice: "Types, Frequency and Effectiveness of Responses to Unwanted Pursuit and Stalking."

#### College Athletes: The Real Deal or Just Entertainers

Dr. Allen Sack, director of the Institute for Sport Management and professor of Management. Sack discussed his new book: "Counterfeit Amateurs: An Athlete's Journey Through the Sixties to the Age of Academic Capitalism."

#### Fuel Developed Using Acorns

Dr. Eddie Luzik, associate professor of Chemistry: "Biofuels from Common Local Diffuse Source Seed Crops: Biodiesel from Acorns."



#### From X-Ray to Today

Dr. Joseph Bronzino, noted author and professor of Applied Science at Trinity College: "Evolution of Biomedical Engineering." Part of fall 2008 Alvine Engineering Professional Effectiveness and Enrichment Program Lecture Series.

#### Improving Relationships with Supervisors

Dr. Stuart Sidle, professor of Industrial/Organizational Psychology: "Boss Trap: What to Do When Your Boss Stands in Your Way." The lecture contained specifics from Dr. Sidle's upcoming book of the same name.

#### Improving Product Success

Kelly S. Magnuson, director of project management at Pfizer, Inc., reviewed the basic tenets of project management and why project management knowledge and methodology are critical to executing business strategy efficiently and effectively.

#### Robots in Space

NASA Software Engineer and Mission Data Operations Team member Mike Seibert discussed: "The Twin Mars Exploration Rovers Known as 'Spirit' and 'Opportunity.'" Part of fall 2008 Alvine Engineering Professional Effectiveness and Enrichment Program Lecture Series.

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### Engineering Students Engage In Projects That Serve Community

Students in the Tagliatela College of Engineering created mechanical devices to ease the work of employees challenged with physical and mental disabilities at a New Britain non-profit. Engineering students also sought to refine the age-old, energy-efficient Stirling engine to further efforts for 'green' technologies and worked on a variety of projects with industrial partners. The College plans a one-day symposium at year's end to enable student teams to present the results of their projects.

### Don't Miss UNH's Latest Theatre Production

The University of New Haven Theatre presents playwright Lee Blessing's "Two Rooms," the story of an American hostage held in Beirut in the late 1980s, from November 19 to November 23 in Dodds Theatre. Directed by award-winning actor and playwright Robert Boles, head of the University's acclaimed Theatre Program, performances will be at 8 p.m. each night except Sunday, when the performance will be held at 3 p.m. Tickets are available at the door.



### ESPN Trailblazer Fall Bartels Fellow

ESPN Senior Vice President for Communications, Counsel and Corporate Outreach Rosa Gatti presented the talk "Your Personal Brand" as part of the fall Bartels Lecture Series in October in Dodds Theatre. Gatti shared her insights and her story, one of a trailblazer who rejected stereotypes to rise to the top of her profession. Gatti made her mark as the first female sports information director at a major NCAA college, her alma mater, Villanova, and moved on to Brown University before landing at ESPN.

### Life at UNH On YouTube Via Campus Videos

UNH held a contest this past spring for the best video portraying life as a UNH student. A team of marketing students and a staff member won for their video portrayals. To view the videos, visit YouTube.com. To view the student winner, log on to youtube.com, and enter University of New Haven Student Winner in the Search box. To view the staff winner, enter Study Abroad at UNH.



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