



# Alumni News

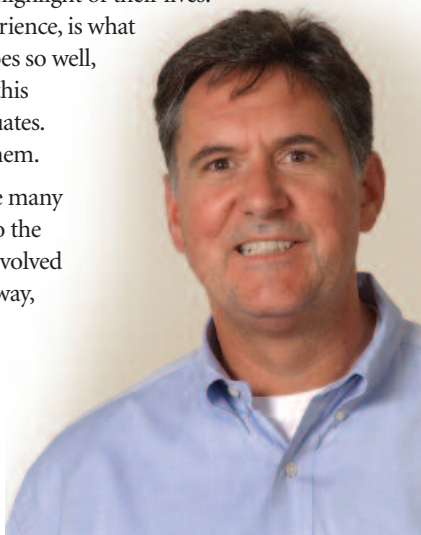
## A Message from the Alumni Association President

Every year, we on the Alumni Association Board make an effort to involve you in the life of the University. This year, we are hoping you consider coming to the Alumni Scholarship Ball, whose theme is 'Give Locally, Impact Globally.' Monies raised from the Scholarship Ball — including the Alumni Association Scholarship — help students pay for college. Once they graduate, they have an impact throughout the globe, from West Haven to Texas to Thailand. See the ad on the back cover of this magazine; the Ball is always a beautiful event and a great time. Consider attending this year.

I also want to mention the Golden Charger honorary degree ceremony held in June, which is featured in this magazine. The University presented honorary bachelor's degrees to a number of alumni in a very moving ceremony that, for many, was a highlight of their lives. Education, combined with experience, is what the University of New Haven does so well, and UNH wanted to recognize this accomplishment for these graduates. It definitely had an impact on them.

Come back to campus to see the many incredible changes here, come to the Scholarship Ball, and become involved again with the University. That way, you can have an impact too.

Rick Toce '01 E.M.B.A.



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### Football Alumni Gather For a Spirited Reunion

President Steven H. Kaplan visited with more than 50 football alumni and their guests at a pre-game tailgate reception September 19 to celebrate UNH's first football home game in five years. Several alumni who attended were members of the University's first football team from 1973, when the team was a part of Division III. UNH became a Division II team in 1982.

"When I went to school at UNH, football was a big part of my life, and the guys I played with were a big part of my extended family," said Dave Haubner '86 B.S., Business Administration, who helped gather alumni for the event. "The best way to thank the University was to show our support, especially for how grateful we are that football is back."

UNH's Miami Alumni Weekend December 4 through December 6, which included a Miami Dolphins game and a tour of Land Shark Stadium, also brought together football alumni, who continued to reminisce about the September 19 reunion. "People are still talking about it," Haubner said. "They can't say enough about how great the stadium looks, how great the campus looks. I want to thank President Kaplan, the athletic directors and everyone else who made this possible."

For more photos of the event, please visit  
[www.newhaven.edu/alumni/pastevents/34313/](http://www.newhaven.edu/alumni/pastevents/34313/)







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### *Worth Waiting For:* 48 RECEIVE HONORARY BACHELOR'S DEGREES

President Steven H. Kaplan awarded honorary bachelor's degrees to 48 UNH alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago with associate's degrees from the former New Haven College at the 12th Annual Golden Charger Luncheon and Commencement Celebration in June. In addition, 35 alumni were inducted into the Order of the Golden Chargers.

In an emotional ceremony held on the anniversary of D-Day, marking the start of the Allied invasion of Normandy during World War II, dozens of veterans were applauded and recognized for their military service. All of those honored had been able to earn their associate's degrees, but were unable for a variety of reasons to return to college to earn their bachelor's degrees. One honorary bachelor's degree recipient said of the ceremony, "This was one of the nicest things to happen to me in my lifetime."

For weeks afterward, President Kaplan received letters of thanks and reminiscence from bachelor's degree recipients and their family members. The son of one recipient wrote, "For someone like my father — quiet, unassuming — this was certainly one of the highlights of his life."



Photos, clockwise from top right, James F. Clouse '53 A.S., his daughter Betsey Clouse, center, and his granddaughter, Olivia Clouse. President Steven H. Kaplan presents an honorary degree to Jack McQuillan '57 A.S., who passed away on Veterans Day. Paul Chaplick '48 A.S., his wife Genevieve Chaplick, and daughter Nina Saylor enjoy the celebration. John R. Gehring '52 A.S., a 2009 recipient of the University's Distinguished Alumni award, receives his degree from President Kaplan.





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### Third Annual Alumni Weekend

It was a time to reconnect with fellow University of New Haven alumni, celebrate school spirit and participate in activities with friends and family. UNH's Third Annual Alumni Weekend, held June 5 through June 7, offered three days filled with festivities including a barbecue, fireworks and several receptions. The weekend kicked off Friday at Lilly's Pad at Toad's Place in New Haven.

Other events included a thank-you reception given by President Steven H. Kaplan for members of the Loyal Engaged Annual Donor (LEAD) Society for their continued support and commitment to the University, a gathering of alumni of the E.M.B.A. program for conversation, cocktails and appetizers in the German Club, and a barbecue Saturday for all alumni, who then were dazzled by an awe-inspiring display of fireworks. The weekend concluded Sunday with brunch and campus tours.

