

# **Taking Pride in Their Work**

avid Daly and Matt Libby didn't know each other while attending NHTI's Paramedic Emergency Medicine program. David graduated in 1997 while Matt graduated in 2004.

"We met while working for Trinity EMS," says David. "In the field, it's fairly easy to figure out who has graduated from NHTI. We hold ourselves to a high standard of professionalism."

In 2004, Dave and Matt co-founded their own company, PrideSTAR EMS based in Lowell, MA. Both admit the process was daunting in the beginning, completing due diligence processes and finalizing pro forma financials. Today, PrideSTAR EMS employs 50 people and has more than 20 vehicles in its fleet.

The company provides medical transportation for local nursing homes, assisted care facilities and the greater Lowell community health centers, with more than 70% of their business coming from pre-booked appointments. PrideSTAR also provides back up service to the city's 911 call center. Growing since day one, the company recently moved into its new 19,000 square foot headquarters, the first "environmentally green" ambulance quarters in New England.

Dave and Matt are particularly excited about the advanced technology of the

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Matthew Libby, '04 (left) and David Daly, '97 co-founded PrideSTAR EMS in 2004.

company. As co-founders, they made a decision to invest in technology from the start.

"We are one of only two ambulance companies that we know of to be completely paperless," Matt explains. "All of our vehicles are fully wired with laptops so our employees complete all of their 'paper' work online. If we are transporting a patient to the emergency room, the hospital staff will have all the patient information online by the time we arrive."

David adds, "With GPS tracking, we know where our trucks and crews are at every moment."

#### A Unique Niche

PrideSTAR also provides standby emergency medical services for many movies that are filmed in Massachusetts. Last summer, they provided medical coverage on the set of a Mel Gibson movie, *Edge of Darkness*, which was filmed in Boston.

"We were there whenever they filmed

stunts or risky scenes such as gunfights, car chases or things of that sort," David explained. "I guess you could say that it's a unique niche to provide emergency medical care for movie productions."

Upon the film's wrapping up, Matt, David and other PrideSTAR employees had lunch with star Mel Gibson. What was that like?

"Quiet," says Matt. "He's a very quiet guy."

#### **Giving Back**

David says, "The paramedic program at NHTI is incredibly well run. In addition to the medical knowledge, we learned how to carry and conduct ourselves in the field. The expectations that were set for us as students at NHTI definitely carry over to our professional work."

With the success that PrideSTAR EMS has seen in its relatively short history, David and Matt plan to give back.

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This year they created the PrideSTAR Professional Development Scholarship, given to an employee of the company who pursues an associate degree in paramedic emergency medicine. But the employee can't go to just any program, only NHTI. PrideSTAR EMS will pay the full expenses for the 2-year program (see right). They hope to be able to offer the scholarship every two years.

The company is also very active in their local community, supporting many charitable causes including the Boys and Girls Club of Lowell, Easter Seals, Elder Services of Merrimack Valley and the Visiting Nurses Association of Greater Lowell.

#### The PrideSTAR "Family"

PrideSTAR has a very low turnover rate. Once hired, people tend to stay – a sign of a great place to work.

"Our daily work is intense," Matt says. "All of our employees work very hard so we aim to recognize that." In addition to honoring an employee of the month, the company hosts a Christmas party, family days and company outings to Fenway Park.

David explains, "We're sort of a family away from our families."

# **Calling Alumni Runners!**

The NHTI Cross Country Team is hosting the 3rd Annual Concord Friendly Kitchen 5K Road Race and 3K Fitness Walk on Friday, September 11, 2009 at 5:30 pm at NHTI. Contact **Perry Seagroves** at pseagroves@ccsnh.edu or call 271-7753 for more information.



# PrideSTAR EMS Co-Founders Announce NHTI Scholarship

In line with PrideSTAR EMS's dedication to its employees and their professional development, we are pleased to announce that Operations Supervisor **Michael Tierney**, has been selected as the recipient of the PrideSTAR EMS Professional Development Scholarship.

Mike will be sponsored by PrideSTAR EMS in his participation in NHTI's Paramedic Degree Program. **David Daly** and **Matthew Libby**, PrideSTAR EMS co-founders, are both NHTI graduates. They, along with many other professionals in the EMS field, recognize the high quality of the paramedic program at NHTI.



Mike Tierney is set to begin studying at NHTI this fall.

Good luck, Mike!

#### A Busy Fall Ahead

HTI, Concord's Community College is definitely on the move. As often happens in a struggling economy, NHTI – along with all of the other community colleges in New Hampshire – is experiencing a boom in enrollment. Students are more focused than ever on obtaining an affordable, quality education and potentially transferring to a four-year program. Others look to NHTI to learn new marketable skills or make career changes. We are doing all we can to accommodate a growing student population, which we expect may increase as much as 10% in the Fall 2009 semester.

In October, we will host the grand opening of the new Health Education and Academic Center, which will be home to the nursing programs at NHTI and culminates the College's first-ever capital campaign. We invite you to join us on Tuesday, October 6th (see back page for event details). The 34,000 square foot building positions NHTI to enhance our very successful nursing programs.

Also this Fall, NHTI is planning a \$3.5 million renovation of MacRury Hall, including the purchase of two pieces of state-of-the-art, digital imaging machines. This renovation will allow us to achieve an overdue upgrade of the academic space for the Diagnostic Medical Imaging and the Paramedic Emergency Services programs, ensuring that we keep pace with current technology and maintain our accreditation standards.

I think you will enjoy reading about your peers in this issue of the Alumni News. I thank each of you – our successful alumni – for your continued support of NHTI. Your contributions of time, talent and financial investments mean a great deal to the College and most especially, to our students.

With warmest wishes, Lynn Kilchenstein Lynn Kilchenstein

**Lynn Kilchenstein** President NHTI, Concord's Community College



# Congratulations to all of the graduates of the Class of 2009!



#### By the Numbers

Total number of graduates in 2009: Total number of programs of study represented in 2009 graduation:		558 31
Associate Degrees in Arts		
Liberal Arts	13	graduates
Visual Arts		graduates
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Associate Degrees in Engineering Technology		
Architectural Engineering Technology	15	graduates
Broadband and Telecommunications Technology	2	graduates
Computer Engineering Technology		graduate
Electronic Engineering Technology		graduates
Manufacturing Engineering Technology		graduates
Mechanical Engineering Technology		graduates
		0
Associate Degrees in Science		
Accounting	13	graduates
Addiction Counseling	3	graduates
Animation and Graphic Game Programming	9	graduates
Business Administration	35	graduates
Business Admin. / Concentration in Sports Management		graduates
Criminal Justice	55	graduates
Dental Hygiene		graduates
Early Childhood Education		graduates
Education		graduates
General Studies		graduates
Health Science	25	graduates
Hotel Administration		graduates
Human Services		graduates
Information Technology		graduates
Nursing		graduates
Paralegal Studies		graduates
Paramedic Emergency Medicine		graduates
Radiation Therapy		graduates
Radiologic Technology	30	graduates
Travel and Tourism		graduates
		0
Diploma in Practical Nursing	13	graduates
Professional Certificate in Dental Assisting	25	graduates
Professional Certificate in Diagnostic Medical Sonography	6	graduates

# Witnessing 40 Years of Emerging Technologies

eorge Dobrowski was a member of the very first graduating class at NHTI, Concord's Community College – the class of 1966.

"Of course, it was much smaller back then, only 30 students or so," George laughs. "You got to know everyone pretty well. It was a friendly environment and it was



easy to get around to your classes."

After earning his degree in Electronic Engineering Technology at NHTI, George went on to earn his Bachelor's EE degree from Illinois Institute of Technology through night school and a Master's degree from Northwestern University with full time sponsorship from Bell Laboratories. He has lived in several different states and has traveled and worked internationally. Today, George is the Director of Technology and Product Planning for Conexant Systems, Inc. He telecommutes from his ranch in Ponder, Texas.

"Working in the technology field for more than 40 years now, I've been lucky to witness many different types of emerging technologies," George says. "Back in the 70's, it was all about data communications, with things like the ARPANET (Advanced Research Projects Agency Network) and DARPANET for department of defense, precursors to the internet. Back then, few people imagined what the internet would be like and what it is today."

George is also active in international standards activities and was recently re-elected as the Chairman of the Board and President of the Broadband Forum.

George is very interested in reconnecting with his fellow 1966 graduates. He can be reached by emailing George.Dobrowski@ conexant.com.

# Alumni Updates

#### 1969

#### **Rudy Lurvey**

earned an Electronic Engineering Technology degree. He went on to Johnson State College and got his Bachelor's degree in General Studies. He is employed by Central Vermont Public Service as a telecommunications engineer. Rudy does their design and project management for microwave, fiber optic, telephone and mobile radio networks. He says, "NHTI was invaluable. The hard core Electrical and Electronics Engineering curriculum opened many doors of opportunity in both military and civilian life."

#### **1974**

#### David H. "Curly" Curtis

graduated with a degree in Electronic Data Processing. Now living in Rancho Mirage, CA, he works as a help desk manager at Eisenhower Medical Center. Dave says, "Attending NHTI was the best thing that ever happened."

#### **Michael Dratwa**

graduated with a degree in Electronic Data Processing. He works for Home Telephone Company as a programmer. He resides in Summerville, South Carolina.

#### 1976

#### **Richard Overton**

earned a Mechanical Engineering Technology degree. He went on to further his education at UNH, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1986. He is now employed at Zest Anchors as a principal engineer and resides in Temecula, California.

#### **1978**

#### **Ralph Viola**

graduated from NHTI with a Mechanical Engineering Technology degree. He went on to further his education at Lowell University, earning his Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering in 1991. Ralph is a project manager at MCM Corporation. Ralph and his wife, Pam, have a son, Danny. They reside in Miami, Florida.

#### 1981

#### Andrew Brunelle

graduated with a degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology. Andrew then earned his Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering at UNH in 1983. He is employed as an engineering manager with HID Global Corporation. Married since 1993, he and his family reside in Middletown, Connecticut.

# 1982

#### Wayne Goss

graduated with a degree in Electronic Data Processing. Now working as a senior release engineer at Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, Wayne is very interested in getting back in touch with his fellow 1982 graduates. He can be reached at wayne.goss@libertymutual.com or (603) 303-3288.

# 1983

#### **Aaron Brown**

earned a Mechanical Engineering Technology degree. He is vice president of global recruiting at Sungard Financial Systems. He is currently attending Drexel University in Pennsylvania and expects to graduate in 2010.

#### **Bill Connor**

graduated with an Architectural Engineering Technology degree. He works for the Goffstown Fire Department as a fire prevention officer.

### **1984**

#### Dawn (Pregent) Grieco

earned a degree in Computer Science. Dawn is an office manager for The Regis Group, Inc. in Leesburg, Virginia.

# **1987**

#### **Kerry Fogarty**

graduated with a degree in Dental Hygiene. Kerry is now working as a pediatric dental hygienist at The Kids Dentist in Rochester, NH.

#### Marybeth Haller

earned a nursing degree in 1987 and now resides in Hooksett, NH.

#### Lucie (Morrissette) Kinney

graduated from NHTI with an Electronic Engineering Technology degree and earned a Bachelor's degree from UNH in 1989. Lucie teaches math and digital electronics at Berlin High School. She and her husband, Stephen, have two children, Sarah and Luke. Lucie says that teaching became a second career for her after the closing of the pulp mill in Berlin. "I always felt that I got a better education at NHTI than at other larger institutions. It was the biggest bang for my buck! I became a teacher because of my Bachelor's degree but all my math credits came from NHTI."

# 1990

#### Beth (Mooreside) Barton

earned a degree in Nursing. Beth is employed as

an orthopedic nurse at Concord Hospital. She is married and has two children. Beth says she feels her time at NHTI was very valuable. "Simply put, my education at NHTI was excellent," she says.

### 1992

#### **Michael Brady**

graduated with a Nursing degree from NHTI and is living in Sacramento, California. Michael is currently attending Kaplan University and expects to graduate in 2010. He and his wife, Deborah, have four grown children. He says, "NHTI helped me transition to a path that has lead to much greater things. It was the foundation I needed".

#### Christine (Green) Ralls

graduated with a degree in Accounting. She works for Pike Industries in Belmont. Married to her husband Michael since 1997, they have two children, Austin and Michaela.

#### 1993

#### **Raymond Alt**

earned his degree in Emergency Medical Services and Paramedic Emergency Medicine in 1993. He recently completed his Bachelor's of Science degree in Allied Health Management from Wilmington University, graduating in January of 2009. He lives in Milton, Delaware with his wife, Dawn (Braithwaite – class of 1994) and two children. Raymond works as an EMS/Paramedic for Sussex County.

#### **Daniel Turco**

graduated in 1993 with a degree in Paramedic Emergency Medicine. He lives in Smithfield, RI.

#### **1994**

#### Kimberly (Hartwell) Koch

graduated with a degree in Accounting and went on to Plymouth State College, earning a Bachelor's degree in 1997. She and her husband, David, have a young son, Aiden. The family lives in Leland, North Carolina.

#### Janice Page

earned a degree in Nursing. She is now working as a clinical care coordinator in the emergency department at Concord Hospital.

#### 1995

#### **Allison DeGarmo**

graduated with a degree in Early Childhood Education. In 1999, Alison earned a Bachelor's degree in developmental psychology from Plymouth State College. She is married to Aaron Leyton and they have a young son, Jaxson.

#### **1997**

#### Adam S. Gerhard

earned a dual degree in Computer Information Systems and Computer Engineering Technology. He is now the vice president of technology at Pirata Media, LLC in Rhode Island.

#### Penny Shortt-Newton

initially started in the Nursing Program in 1986, completing the first year. She returned to NHTI and earned a degree in 1997. In 2003, she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services and Criminal Justice from Franklin Pierce University. She works as a medical assistant for ACHS in Woodsville, NH. Penny and her husband, Jeffrey, have two children, Elizabeth and Christopher. Penny says, "While at NHTI, I learned many invaluable things that I use everyday."

#### 2000

#### Jennifer Brown

earned a degree in Dental Assisting. While she was at NHTI, Jennifer was a resident assistant and member of the student senate. She says, "I miss helping out at NHTI! I love the school. If I hadn't attended NHTI, I wouldn't have the friendships I enjoy to this day. The educational experience for dental assisting was amazing and has truly helped me in my professional field."

#### Nicole (DesRosiers) Dionne

graduated with a degree in Radiologic Technology. She and her husband, Michael, have three children. A serious Red Sox fan, Nicole is a stay-at-home mom.

#### 2003

#### **Holly Bergeron**

Earned a degree in Nursing in 2003. Holly also has a Bachelor's degree in marketing and a Master of Science degree in nursing from UNH. She recently joined the Advisory Board for the Center for Nursing Professional Development at NHTI. Holly is a full-time nursing instructor at Rivier College in Nashua.

#### **Christopher J. French**

earned his degree in Paramedic Emergency Medicine in 2003. He is one of three supervisors responsible for the day-to-day operations of Delta Ambulance Corporation, a company comprised of 100+ employees. Christopher is working towards a Bachelor's degree in public administration at the University of Maine and expects to graduate in 2011. He resides in Waterville, ME.

# 2004

#### Stephanie LaFramboise

earned her degree in Accounting in 2004. She lives in Goffstown, NH.

# 2007

#### Mandi Wetter

earned her degree in Nursing. Mandi works for the orthopaedic and urology departments at St. Mary's Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin.

# Engagements

#### Crump, '06 – Boisvert

Jacquelyn Crump and Michael Boisvert have announced their engagement. Jacquelyn graduated from NHTI and is a legal secretary in Manchester. A 2010 wedding is planned.

#### Beaudette - Walek

Jessica Beaudette and Gregory Walek are engaged to be married. Greg earned a Bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst and a Master's degree from the Guild Hall at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He is a Professor of Animation and Graphic Game Programming at NHTI in Concord. A May 2010 wedding is planned.

#### Nuffer, '08 - Page

Brittany Nuffer and Jesse Page are pleased to announce their engagement. Brittany is a graduate of NHTI and works at Epsom Central School. A July wedding is planned.

#### Holmes – Weldon

Hazel Holmes and Mark Weldon announce their engagement. Hazel earned a degree in Business Management from NHTI and works for Personal Touch Home Healthcare in Auburn. An August wedding is planned.

# Plourde, '02 -

#### Barry

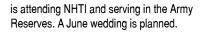
Janel Plourde and Jeff Barry have announced their engagement. Janel graduated from NHTI and is a dental hygienist in Concord. An August wedding is planned.

#### Barry '09 – Camburn Jr.

Maura Barry and Steven Camburn, Jr. are pleased to announce their engagement. Maura

Barry

Janel Plourde & Jeff



#### McMenimen – Trudel '08

Linda McMenimen and Russell Trudel have announced their engagement. Russell earned his degree in General Studies from NHTI in 2008. He is also a former business owner and actor. A summer wedding is planned.

#### Witham - Spaulding '07

Amber Witham and Justin Spaulding announce their engagement. Justin graduated from NHTI with a Manufacturing Engineering Technology degree. He works in Londonderry and is a member of the New Hampshire Army National Guard 744th Forward Support Company. An October wedding is planned.

#### Risatti '07- Adams '08

Jessica Risatti and Brandon Adams are engaged to be married. Jessica graduated from NHTI with a Nursing degree and is a nurse in Boscawen. Brandon earned an Accounting degree from NHTI and is pursuing a Bachelor's degree at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester. A wedding date will be set soon.

#### Troph – Freeman '92

Angela Beth Troph and Steven Joseph Freeman have announced their engagement. Steven graduated from NHTI with a degree in Architectural Engineering Technology and is a design manager in Manchester. A March wedding is planned.

#### Steenbergen '05

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 Ashley Steenbergen
 and Michael Lyon
 are engaged. Ashley
 graduated from
 NHTI in 2005 with a
 degree in General
 Studies. Michael is
 majoring in Business
 Administration at
 NHTI and plans to

continue his education at the University of New Hampshire. He is a bartender at the Common Man in Concord. A summer 2010 wedding is planned.

#### Cassin – Witham'96

Amanda Cassin and Eric Witham have announced their engagement. Eric earned a dual degree in General Studies and Architectural Engineering Technology in 1996. A September wedding is planned.



Ashley Steenbergen & Michael Lyon

#### Brasley - Novak '02

Annette Brasley and Michael Novak are engaged. Michael earned a degree in Electronic Engineering Technology from NHTI. An August wedding is planned.

#### Bryant - Román

Nicoe Bryant and Josué Román are pleased to announce their engagement. Nicole attended NHTI and earned a Bachelor's degree in Theater with a minor in Psychology from New England College. Nicole is currently a residence director at NHTI and is studying to become a Radiologist. Josué earned a Bachelor's



Nicole Bryant, residence director of Strout Hall at NHTI will marry Josué Román, residence director of North Hall, in May 2010.

degree in Film Studies from Keene State College in 1998 and a Master's degree in Screenwriting from Hollins University. He is also a residence director at NHTI and is pursing a Master's degree in Accounting from Southern New Hampshire University. A May 2010 wedding is planned.

#### Pennock – Thibedeau '07

Kimberly Ann Pennock and Keith Thibedeau have announced their engagement. Keith earned a degree in Criminal Justice. A wedding is planned for 2010.

#### Gancarz - Fleury

Kathryn Gancarz and Timothy Fleury are engaged to be married. Kathryn attended NHTI. They will marry in October.

#### Wilkins '05 – Chamberland '06

Stephanie Wilkins and Joseph Chamberland are pleased to announce their engagement. Stephanie and Joseph both graduated from NHTI with Associate's degrees in Radiologic Technology. A July wedding is planned.

#### Schilling - Arling

Catherine Schilling and Stephen Arling announce their engagement. Stephen earned a degree in Computer Technology and a Bachelor's degree in business from Southern New Hampshire University. He is an Army veteran and a media specialist at NHTI. A June wedding is planned.

#### **Ordway**-Rogers

Courtney Ordway and Kalvin Rogers are engaged. Courtney attended the University of New Hampshire, Southern New Hampshire University and NHTI. She is a nurse at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. A June 2010 wedding is planned.

## Dodge – Faucher, '06

Alyssa Dodge and Marcel Faucher plan to be married this summer. Marcel graduated from NHTI in 2006 with a degree in Manufacturing Engineering Technology. He is currently attending the University of New Hampshire in Manchester.

#### LaBranche – Bourque, '08

Melissa LaBranche and Jesse Bourque are pleased to announce their engagement. Jesse earned his Business degree from NHTI and is currently working toward his Bachelor's degree from Southern New Hampshire University.



Jesse Bourque and Melissa LaBranche

They plan to be married in July 2010.

#### Mailhot - Stevens

Melissa Mailhot and Jeffrey Stevens will be married in November. Jeffrey attended NHTI and is employed as an HVAC technician at Ray's Refrigeration.

#### Parsons - Holmes, '01

Heather Parsons and Russell Holmes plan to wed in August 2010. Russell graduated from NHTI in 2001 with a degree in Criminal Justice and currently works for the State of New Hampshire.

# • Weddings •

# Lemay '09 -

Wojtkiewicz

Catherine Lemay and Jeffrey Wojtkiewicz were married at the Margate Resort in Laconia. Catherine earned her Nursing degree from NHTI in May 2009 and currently works at Concord Hospital. The couple lives in Salisbury, NH.

#### Ford '07 – Hatch

Melissa Ford and Christopher Hatch were married on January 23, 2009. Melissa earned

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey

Wojtkiewicz

an Associate's degree in Human Services from NHTI. The couple resides in Warwick, RI.

### Foster – Burdick

Andrea Foster and Leland Burdick III were married in June. She earned a dual degree in early childhood development and social sciences from Keene State College. Andrea is a teacher at NHTI's Child and Family Development Center.

# • In Memory •

#### Bartlett

James Joseph Bartlett passed on March 15, 2009. James was raised in Rutland, VT and graduated from West Rutland High School. He then attended NHTI and Boston Architectural College, receiving a Bachelor's degree in Architectural Design. Jim was a painter and loved to travel. He had a natural talent for gardening and was a farmer at heart.

### Beckford

Richard E. Beckford of Andover passed after a period of failing health. He trained to be a machinist at NHTI. Richard worked as a machinist for 30 years at various local machine shops and as a real estate agent. He also served as the Andover police chief for several years.

#### Box

James A. Box died on March 30, 2009. He was a technical writer at Bomac Laboratories while working part-time at Knight Lumber Company. James taught for the Provincial Government of Newfoundland in Corner Brook, St. John's Preparatory School and Boston College. He then became Dean of Admission at NHTI.

# Capron

Gerald L. Capron died on April 30, 2009. He graduated from NHTI with a degree in Electronic Engineering Technology. He worked at Raytheon for 33 years in Lowell, MA before retiring in 1994.

#### Daneault

Katherine Daneault of Concord died on April 21, 2009. She was a graduate of Bishop Brady High School and became licensed as a practical nurse at NHTI. Katherine worked at New Hampshire Hospital for more than 31 years.

# Drown

Hazel Drown of Concord passed on Saturday April 18, 2009. She graduated from York High School and from NHTI, the oldest person to earn her degree there. She had one child but was known as "Ma" to countless girls as head dormitory resident at Nathaniel Hawthorne College and at NHTI.

#### Johnson

Arthur Johnson passed away on June 26, 2009. Arthur entered the U.S. Army National Guard and then earned a degree in Electrical Engineering Technology from NHTI. He worked for many years as an electronic engineer for BAE Systems. After retiring, he helped many people by working for Moore Center Services. Arthur was co-founder of Challenger Sports Inc., created to promote peer relationships among individuals with special needs through organized sports, social activities and relationships.

#### Lorenz, Jr.

Harold R. "Butch" Lorenz Jr., captain U. S. Army retired, 64, passed away on March 4, 2009. Butch graduated from Pinkerton Academy and attended NHTI. He enjoyed fishing, NASCAR races, political discussions and his family gatherings. Butch was a volunteer with the American Cancer Society's "Road to Recovery" program.

#### Lynch

Catherine M. Lynch died April 3, 2009. She lived and worked in many states before moving back to Concord in 1987. Catherine graduated from NHTI in 1993, and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

#### Roy

Rollande C. Roy died on July 18, 2009 after a long illness. Rollande earned her nursing degree from Notre Dame. For many years, she was an instructor of nursing at Elliot Hospital and NHTI.

#### Scott

Elizabeth Ann Scott passed away on May 15, 2009. Elizabeth earned her degree in Nursing from NHTI and was employed for 15 years at Epsom Manor Health Care Center, where she began as a licensed practical nurse. Betty was promoted to director of social services. She also worked as an LPN for more than three years in Albuquerque, NM.

#### Stumpf

Stacy E. Stumpf passed away on July 15, 2009. Raised in Nashua, Stacy graduated from NHTI in 1975 with a degree in dental hygiene. She worked for more than 20 years in Whitefield at the offices of Dr. Brewster and Dr. Weber.

Attention NHTI alumni: Did you land a new job? Get married? Win an award? Publish a book? Send us your news so we may share it with your fellow alumni: NHTI Alumni Affairs Office, 31 College Drive, Concord, NH 03301

# **The Bricks Have Arrived!**

s part of its first-ever capital campaign for the new Health Education and Academic Center, NHTI sold engraved bricks to alumni, friends and donors... and the bricks have arrived! The brick patio leading into the new building has been completed and is ready for viewing.

We thank every person and business listed below who purchased bricks in support of NHTI. We hope to see all of you at the ribbon cutting and grand opening of the building on October 6th.

Gale C. Hall

Maryanne S. Adams Paul K. Ambrose Chuck & Cheryl Annal Mark & Nicole Armaganian Kenneth & Vivian Atwood Kevin Barry Christine Barton Sharon Beaty Joan M. Beauchamp Lynne A. Birdsall Jason S. Bishop James J. Black Alan K. Blake Elizabeth Blankenstein **Beverly Boggess** Anne E. Breen Sandra L. Brien Steven Caccia Deborah Carley Pamela Clement Michael & Susan Cloutier John D. Colbath Thomas J. Comita Concord Family Medicine (bench) Peter & Jane Cooke Lois E. Corey Duene Cowan Sue W. Dalpra Douglas Dean Judith Dearborn Lise M. DeHart Paul J. Diekmann David Duford Gail & Barbara Dunn Eliot Health System Heather Faille Bruce D. Ferguson Mary E. Fitzpatrick Kenneth Fitzpatrick Eileen Fitzsimmons Meg Flaherty Donald W. Foster Tom & Madelyn Foulkes Denise E. Fransen Christopher J. French Donna Gagne Laurice & Kathleen V. Garside Mary Alice Gaul Robert & Mary Stuart Gile Carmel M. Gill Sheri L. Gonthier Marc & Deb L. Gosselin Beverly Grappone Brenda Griffin Joseph Gula Richard & Nancy Guy Robert L. Hadley Christine Hagewood

Christian Hallowell & Cindall Morrison Ianet Hanes Michael D. Hanes, Sr. Gyme Hardy Frederick Harrington Paul & Cathy Hauptly Ruth Heath Richard M. Heath Heritage Case Management Janet K. Hertzberg Paul Hogan Martha Hunt Jonathan Hutchinson Simonne Huot Martin A. Jones Francine Jordan Pamela S. Kallmerten Bonnie Kanin Susan Kenna Paul & Lynn Kilchenstein Melanie Kirby Sondra M. Labrecque Fred Lance Lorna J. Landry Pamela M. Langley Lawrence LaPlante Thomas & Martha Laurie John Leary Lee Ann Lewis Stanton Lockwood Bonnie Lockwood Kristina Lucas David Lunt Ken & Diane Lurvey Claudette Mahar Ioan A. Malfait Tim & Donna Mason Judy W. Maurer John McAuley Lisa L. McGuire Mid-State Health Center Patricia A. Moodie Susan M. Mooney Matthew Morin Gail Mummery Claire R. Nelson Neil D. Nevins NH Council of Nurse Educators NHTI Computer Services Dept. NHTI Learning Center NHTI Nursing Faculty NHTI Social & Behavioral Sciences Department NHTI Student Affairs NHTI Student Nurses Assoc. NHTI Student Senate Helen M. Norton

Michael & Terri J. O'Brien Kathleen M. O'Connor Richard & Jessie Osborne Sandra L. Ostman Sarah E. Packard Anita Pavlidis James & Janet A. Pietrovito Polytrace Systems, Inc. Barbara B. Provencher Kathleen A. Regan Jeff & Deborah Remillard Shirley Rennie Lois A. Richard Marguerite Ritchie Joshua Routhier Susan Rowe Morison Connie Roy-Czyzowski Joshua C. Rubin Richard A. Ruck, Jr. Amanda A. Ryan Barbara A. Ryan Timothy Sabol Memorial Fund Deborah A. Schiavo Mark Schiewetz Linda Schmidt Teresa Schumacher Dori Schwindt Perry & Suzy Seagroves Charles & Eileen Shaw Bill Shurbert Mary Lee Siel Judith A. Silveira Nancy M. Smith Christopher A. Soule & Linda Ashford Gordon G. Stearns Anne M. Stergiou Mark & Susan Stetson James & Veronica Stewart Linda A. Stover Mervyn Taub Ioanna Thiele Barbara Thurston Lynn Tilton Timothy M. Toutain Susan L. Towle Margaret Walker R. Stuart Wallace, Jr. Tom Walton Sheila A. Ward Tami Webster Dorothye S. Wentworth David & Barbara Wessel Robert O. Wilson Christopher M. Witham Marie A. York Hope Zanes Butterworth Michelle A. Zorawowicz

When compiling an extensive list such as this, we pay great attention to detail. However, if we have inadvertently omitted or misspelled your name, please accept our sincere apologies and notify us of the error: 603-271-7735.

# He Finds His Place in the Granite State by Randy J. Stine

teven Gallagher admits he was in the minority of students attending NHTI. While his classmates pursued studies in mechanical. architectural or electrical engineering and were interested in video game design, Steven was dreaming of becoming a radio broadcast engineer.

He is in his first radio job since graduating from the school in 2007 with a major in computer engineering and a minor in electrical engineering. He is a broadcast technician for New Hampshire Public Radio in Concord, responsible for a variety of studio and computer maintenance. He has already helped rebuild the transmitter site of noncommercial WEVO(FM) in Concord.

NHPR has gone digital at most of its transmitter sites and plans to expand its HD Radio coverage across the state, station officials say. It has yet to commence multicasting.

Steven was

hired full-time at NHPR in late 2007 after completing a six-month internship. The opportunity to learn hands-on broadcast engineering skills at such a young age is not being wasted.

Described as a "hardworking young man" by the station's chief engineer, Michael Saffel, Gallagher provides engineering support around the studios and at the transmitter site.

#### On-call

"I'm on call and work with the other engineers to ensure we stay on the air and make sure the studios are kept up," Stevens says. "I interface with all of the computer systems and have worked specifically with Burk Technology on remote control issues and functionality at some of our different sites. I'm just absorbing as much as I can."

Last year, Gallagher was a recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship from the Association of Public Radio Engineers to attend the NPR Labs/APRE Public Radio Conference in Las Vegas. He attended seminars and workshops and rubbed shoulders with fellow engineers for three days.

The scholarship, which covered airfare, hotel and some expenses for the three days, is funded by donations from APRE members, additional station managers and interested broadcast equipment vendors, according to the announcement of Gallagher's award.

Steven graduated from Pinkerton Academy High School in 2005, but had an interest in electronics growing up in

Derry, N.H., often tearing apart things that weren't working, like the family's VCR or phone, to see how they worked.

"I really didn't know how to fix things but I learned. I just

knew some kind of a career in electronics was where I was headed," Gallagher said. "In high school, I immediately jumped into as many technology classes as I could."

That led him to NHTI, where he believes he was the only one interested in broadcast engineering.

"I was a bit of an oddball, I guess. They don't have a specific broadcast engineering degree there, but I certainly took classes that `help me in my current position," Gallagher said.

At NHTI, Gallagher majored in Computer Engineering and minored in Electrical Engineering. He has yet to receive his degree from NHTI, but plans to continue his formal education.

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#### **Call to Action: Alumni Needed as Orientation Leaders**

**huck Lloyd**, the Director of Student Life at NHTI, invites the alumni to volunteer as orientation leaders. Volunteering from 7:30 am to 2:00 pm, orientation leaders serve as ambassadors to incoming students, hosting campus tours, answering general questions about the College and directing folks to their appropriate academic department heads. Breakfast and lunch are served to all orientation leaders.

Orientation days are hectic and funfilled ... please consider coming back to campus to help out!

The next new student orientation will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2010.

To learn more about this opportunity, please contact Chuck Lloyd or Heidi Schmidt at clloyd@ccsnh.edu or hschmidt@ccsnh.edu or (603) 271-8905.



### **Paging Your Classmates:** Please Report to the NHTI Alumni Office

he friendships you develop during your college years can last a lifetime ... if you know where your friends are!

We are looking for Paul Kiernan, who graduated from the Human Services program in 2008. A classmate of his would like to get back in touch. So, Paul, please give us a call at 271-7735 or email Lee Ann Lewis at llewis@ccsnh.edu. We'll get you reconnected with your old college friend.



# Nursing Alumna Study in China

Two graduates of NHTI's nursing program were among 15 travelers to China as part of the Center for Nursing Professional Development and the Department of Continuing Education Travel/Study Abroad program. NHTI's first

study abroad tour that focused on healthcare, entitled "Healthcare in China: Where East Meets West," the group discovered disparities in culture, customs, and character.

Deb Lewis and Aleesha Thorpe, both 2009 nursing graduates, were among the group of nurses, nurse practitioners and a pharmacist, as well as educators, who attended a pre-trip lecture by a licensed acupuncturist and Chinese Medicine Herbalist. The group was hosted by Tongji University in Shanghai and they toured the expansive campus and Tongji University Hospital. The group also visited Beijing and one of the oldest traditional Chinese medicine pharmacies in China, TongRenTan Pharmacy, as well as other health-related points of interest.

Overall, the trip was an opportunity to witness this ancient culture in action, explore traditional Chinese medicine

# Flashback 20 Years!



Who are these beautiful ladies at "Spring Night" in 1989? Tell us who they are and the story behind the photo to win a prize!

Email responses to nhtialumniaffairs@ccsnh.edu

principles in use at their native source, and a once in a lifetime opportunity to network with likeminded individuals from across the globe.

For more on Traditional Chinese Medicine and a presentation of the trip, join us at "Herbal Therapy and Chinese Medicine: A Pharmacy and Nursing

> Perspective" with presenters Steve Ottariano, BS Pharm, and Sandra McBournie, RN, BS, MEd on Oct.21, 2009 from 5:00-8:30 p.m. at NHTI. 3.0 nursing contact hours

will be awarded. For more information visit www.nhti.edu/businesstraining/ nursing/index.html.



Deb Lewis, a 2009 NHTI nursing graduate, in China.

# **Hygiene '94 Reunited!**

The Dental Hygiene Class of 1994 recently celebrated their 15-year reunion with eleven classmates enjoying dinner in Concord.



Front row from left: Jeanne Bolduc, Julie Moody and Lisa Scott. Back row from left: Ellen Donahue, Sally Dion, Tracy DiAngelo, Kim Rouleau, Deb Garg, Meg Sawyer, Kerri Boyd and Carol Wight.

# NHTI Faculty: Teachers, Mentors and Role Models

eeting much success once they graduated, these former students credit the faculty at NHTI:

"I would like to acknowledge and commend Professor **Stephen O'Donnell** for being such a huge help to me as a student at NHTI. His teaching methods and encouragement of class discussion had a positive effect on me. I truly appreciate everything Professor O'Donnell did for me while I was there. NHTI and the Criminal Justice program were the perfect starting point for me to begin my college career."

– **Ryan O'Callaghan**, '07, now a senior at Hawaii Pacific University

"Last month, I did something I never in a million years thought I would do: I delivered a baby girl in an ambulance. As I'm sitting there, sweating and scared to death, everything that Marty Jean taught our class sort of flashed in front of me. The delivery went off without a hitch and I found myself with a massive grin on my face, holding a brand new baby girl. It was the single most amazing experience of my life. Later on, I realized that coming to NHTI and taking the medic program with Marty and Nancy Brubaker was the smartest move I have ever made. Their teaching has certainly not gone without benefit to the public!"

– **Greg Rich**, '08, working in Hudson, NH as a paramedic

"Professor **Susan Haas** has been one of the most important people in my life. For five years now, she has been my mentor and role model. As the department head of the Visual Arts program, I know that she continues to have a great impact on her students. She still offers her support and guidance, even after I graduated from NHTI. Professor Haas invests her time, energy and passion with every student, which is invaluable."

– **Audrey Ritter**, '04, Elementary School Teacher in the Middle East

# **Come Back to Campus for** an NHT"I-Opener"

his past spring, President Lynn Kilchenstein hosted a series of breakfast meetings called the NHT"I-Openers," bringing together alumni, business and community leaders, donors and friends of NHTI, Concord's Community College.

"One of the long-term goals for the College," President Kilchenstein explains, "is to build an abundance of alumni, friends and business partners who support NHTI with their influence, talent and resources. With this support, we can enhance our programs and meet growing needs."

At each breakfast, the President gives an overview of NHTI, from its beginning in 1966 with three academic departments, to what the College looks like today: 3,572 students enrolled in the fall of 2008; 29 Associate Degree programs, 28 Certificate programs and 3 Diplomas / Professional Certificates.

For some alumni, attending an NHT"I-Opener" is the first time they have been back on campus since they gradated.

"The campus has changed quite a bit over the last few years," says Alan Blake, Director of Communications at NHTI. "The I-Openers are a wonderful opportunity for alumni to see how far the College has come."

*If you wish to be invited to a future* NHT"I-Opener," please contact Lee Ann *Lewis* at (603) 271-7735 or llewis@ccsnh. edu. The next breakfasts will be held in October and November.

# **Day Trip to New York City!** Hosted by the NHTI Alumni Club

it back, relax and dream about the Big Apple. Let us do the driving to beautiful New York City. Join us on Saturday, November 14, 2009 for a day trip to NYC which includes the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular featuring the world-famous Rockettes!

It will be a long, exciting and fun filled day. Everyone is welcome...alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends of CCSNH. The package is \$189 per person and includes:

• Roundtrip transportation by deluxe motor coach:

> 6:00 am - Depart from NHTI in Concord

6:30 am - Second pickup at Macy's in Bedford. There will be one rest stop midmorning.

12:00 noon -Approximate arrival in NYC. Group dropped off behind St. Patrick's Cathedral on Madison & 51st Street.

Free time for the

afternoon.

4:00 - 5:30 pm - Christmas Spectacular show starring the Rockettes (no intermission; tickets included in price of package)

5:30 pm – Walk to HB Burgers Restaurant for a buffet dinner (43rd Street between Broadway & 6th Avenue). This is an 8-block,



15-minute walk from Radio City Music Hall. Maps will be provided.

6:00 – 7:30 pm – Buffet dinner. If you finish eating early, walk around Times Square.

7:30 pm – Depart NYC from restaurant. There will be one rest stop on the way back.

1:00 am - Approximate arrival time back in NH.

> • Buffet dinner includes caesar salad, grilled vegetables with fresh herbs, messi rigatoni, feta cheese, roasted tomato, calamata olives, NY sirloin au poivre, lemon & herb crusted salmon,

chicken marsala, mashed potatoes, baked asparagus with parmesan and platters of mini pastries,

• Onboard entertainment by our tour guide and movies.

cookies & brownies, coffee, tea, soft

drinks. A cash bar will be available.

• All taxes and gratuities are included.

To register, fill out the form on the facing page. For more information contact Lee Ann Lewis at (603) 271-7735 or llewis@ccsnh.edu.

# **Vote Now for Your Favorite Trip for Spring 2010!**

We have *four* great ideas for the Spring 2010 Alumni Trip, hosted by the NHTI Alumni Club. To vote, go online now to www.nhti.edu/alumnitripsurvey.html. The trip with the most votes by November 30th wins, and will be announced on the Alumni & Development section of www.nhti.edu.



Day trip to Newport, Rhode Island with walking tour of historic mansions

Boston Pops Concert in May or June, 2010

□ Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston

Red Sox Game in May, June or July, 2010

Remember, the last day to vote is Monday, November 30, 2009!



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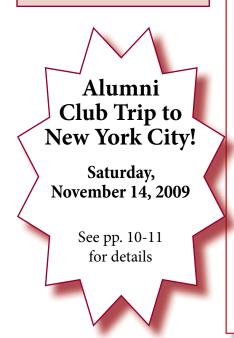
# **Investing in Education** at NHTI

nce a year in November, NHTI sends a letter to every graduate asking for a donation. We are fully aware of how tough the economy is and that many people have lost jobs. At the same time, NHTI is still doing what we do: educating students by offering cutting-edge curricula which will help them navigate in a complex world. To do this, it takes talented people, classroom and laboratory space and state-of-the-art equipment. All of that, of course, costs money.

When you receive your letter in November, please consider contributing to NHTI. You can direct your donation to where you want it to go: the annual fund (which funds the College's most urgent needs), scholarships or a specific academic department. In turn, NHTI promises to be a trustworthy steward of your investment. In any amount, your contributions make a big difference to our academic programs and the students who are learning.

Thank you,

Lee Ann Lewis Director of Institutional and Alumni Development





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# Please Save the Date

We hope you will join us for the Grand Opening of the new

# Health Education & Academic Center

at NHTI, Concord's Community College

Tuesday, October 6, 2009 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

For questions regarding this event, please contact **Lee Ann Lewis** at (603) 271-7735 or llewis@ccsnh.edu

