# The Katie Bentley Lilac Project

s a 1989 graduate of the Business Management program, John Bentley has long ties to NHTI. This past spring, John's connection to the College became even stronger: NHTI participated in the Katie Bentley Lilac Project.

Three years ago, John and his wife, Cheryl, suffered a terrible loss. Their fouryear old daughter, Catherine Ann, died from complications of pneumonia after a brave three-week struggle at Children's Hospital in Boston. How do parents face a tragedy of this magnitude?

For John and Cheryl, the answer came on Memorial Day in 2009.

John explains, "We were planting some flowers on her grave, and we noticed the conspicuous absence of any flowers blooming in the cemetery. I wondered what kind of flowers could be planted that would look good year after year, that would require little maintenance, and would be in bloom around Memorial Day. Since purple was Katie's favorite color, the obvious choice to me was lilacs. On that day, I was inspired to plant hundreds of lilacs at that cemetery, as a living memorial to my daughter. The Katie Bentley Lilac Project was born."

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John Bentley stands with his wife, Cheryl, and daughter, Kelly, after receiving a special commendation for his work on The Katie Bentley Lilac Project from Governor John Lynch.

Today, lilacs have been planted from California to New Hampshire to honor Katie's life. As chairman of the Katie Bentley Lilac Project, John is now in the process of applying for status as a non-profit organization. Last month, Governor John Lynch issued a commendation to John Bentley and his family for all of their work on the Katie Bentley Lilac Project.

To plant lilacs in honor or memory of your own loved ones (and thereby become part of the Katie Bentley Lilac Project), please send an email to katiebentleylilacproject@gmail.com or call John Bentley at (603) 783–6779. The mailing address for the Katie Bentley Lilac Project is PO Box 269, Salisbury, NH, 03268.

#### Participants in the Katie Bentley Lilac Project

- Bobcat of NH, Chichester
- Boscawen Elementary School
- Carol McKeag, Beaverton, OR \*
- Christina Broyer, San Francisco \*
- J and B Landscaping, Andover
- Maplewood Cemetery, Salisbury
- Mills Cemetery, Salisbury
- Peter Mason Alarms, Salisbury
- Shelburne Museum, Shelburne, VT
- Sheriff Scott Hilliard
- Wilfred Durgin, Andover\*

... among many others

\* private residence

#### In the Beginning ... There was Susan

student at NHTI on the very first day the College opened its doors in September of 1965. What was that like?



She says, "Yes, I did open the doors that first day in September, 1965. Some seniors had transferred in from other schools to graduate at the end of that first year, but we were

the first graduates to attend both years at NHTI. We designed the seal for the school, named and produced the first year book, and helped the school establish itself as a first-rate institution!

"It was a very busy year of firsts. Out of about 300 graduating students, there were around 7 girls. (Back then, we were called 'boys' and 'girls.') It was a rugged schedule. There were only 2 buildings back then. One was the boys' dorm. The other housed the classrooms, the offices and bookstore (which was in a closet!) and the cafeteria.

"Some of the girls commuted. Some of us, myself included, lived in rooming houses around town. We tried to form a sorority of sorts. There was a little white house at the edge of the back field where we were allowed to meet. But the distance, especially in bad weather, discouraged our attempt.

"Strong friendships were formed that continue to this day. I was so proud to have my son, Karl Brewer, also graduate from NHTI in 1994."

#### Have a memory to share?

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## A Loving Tribute to an Amazing Woman: The Molly B. Hawthorn-MacDougall Memorial Scholarship

Just two weeks shy of receiving her Associate's Degree in Nursing, Molly B. Hawthorn-MacDougall's life was taken through a senseless act of violence. The shock of her death reverberated throughout New Hampshire and her story was plastered all over the local media. On May 15, 2010, Molly's husband attended the graduation ceremony at NHTI and accepted Molly's degree.

Described by her family as, "sparkling, magical and mystical, feisty, courageous, outrageous, humble, intrepid, insatiably curious, meticulous and dauntless," Molly had an immediate impact on every person she met. At her core, Molly was always a nurturer.

Her concern for others and her love of people led her to choose a career in nursing.

According to her fellow classmates, when you met Molly and spoke with her for any length of time, she made you feel as if you were the only person in the world. In class, Molly's thirst for knowledge was insatiable. She asked many tough, multi-faceted questions which then opened entirely new discussions

Understandably, Molly's family, her classmates and the nursing faculty at NHTI were devastated by her death. Instead of focusing on how she died, Molly's circle of family and friends want to honor the way she lived her life and the positive impact she had on so many people.



Molly B. Hawthorn-MacDougall, on her wedding day.

The newly established Molly B. Hawthorn-MacDougall Memorial Scholarship will assist future nursing students in paying for their education, helping them become Registered Nurses. The recipient(s) of Molly's scholarship will demonstrate an honest commitment to women's health issues and to the nursing profession.

To make a donation to Molly's scholarship, please make your check out to NHTI, Concord's Community College and list "the Molly B. Hawthorn-MacDougall Memorial Scholarship" in the memo section. Please mail your contribution to 31 College Drive, Concord, NH 03301, Attn: Lee Ann Lewis

NHTI will notify Molly's husband and parents of all contributions made in

# Hey Alumni, Join the Fun! Winter Fling 2011

We're having a fling! Join us for the first NHTI *Winter Fling*, scheduled for January 29, 2001. Events include a 4K Road Race, Taste of International Concord, and a Dance with the Concord Stars competition featuring NHTI President **Lynn Kilchenstein**, Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce Executive Director **Tim Sink**, Concord Boys and Girls Club Executive Director **Chris Emonds**, and many other prominent names! Join the party!

Party planning your thing? Volunteer your time to make *Winter Fling 2011* a blast for all! The commitment is roughly 2 or 3 hours per month from September to January. See page 10 for *Winter Fling 2011* details and sign up to volunteer today.

To volunteer, contact Lee Ann Lewis at (603) 271-7735 or llewis@ccsnh.edu

#### A Chance Encounter

few weeks ago, Lynn Kilchenstein, President of NHTI, Concord's Community College, was enjoying lunch with friends at Granite Restaurant and Bar, located in The Centennial Hotel in Concord. She was approached by a young man, Benjamin Roy, the restaurant manager. Ben introduced himself and explained that he was a 2008 graduate of NHTI, having earned his Associate's Degree in Business Administration. He complimented the professors at the College, saying that they truly dedicated themselves to the students, both inside and outside the classroom, driving them to succeed.

"He was just so articulate and gracious," says President Kilchenstein. "I always enjoy meeting our graduates and learning about what they are doing now. It was especially gratifying to know how much Ben enjoyed his time at NHTI, and to hear about the opportunities it afforded him."

A lifelong resident of Concord, Ben graduated from Concord High School in 2004 and took a year off to travel before

heading to college. Although many people warned him that by taking some time off, he might risk never going to college, Ben was confident about his path.

"Attending NHTI made so much sense to me," Ben explains. "I was working full-

time and putting myself through school. The flexibility in scheduling my classes helped me manage my time and it was a lot more affordable than some of the four-year schools my friends were attending."

His father, Richard, a 1970 graduate of the College, also encouraged him to attend.

While in school, Ben was working as a waiter at the Outback Steakhouse in Concord; later he became a manager in training. Gaining valuable experience working at C.R. Sparks in Bedford and the Hanover Street Chophouse, he landed a job at Granite Restaurant and Bar two

years ago, just as he was graduating from NHTI. As the manager, he oversees almost every aspect of the restaurant including the dining room, bar area, private functions and banquets – basically, everywhere but the kitchen.

"I pretty much do laps around the building, making sure everything is running smoothly," he says,

smiling. "It's amazing through word-of-mouth how many people come in for the first time after 3 years to experience what we have to offer and become our regulars."

Reflecting on his time at NHTI, Ben again points to the professors. "They seemed to do so much more than teach. The professors, people like **Joe Gula** and **Ed Doherty** ... they helped the students in as many ways as possible. Professor Gula was a mentor who helped me through

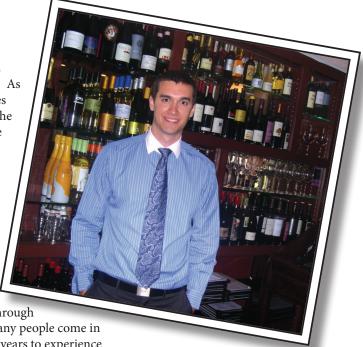
a challenging situation. And Professor Doherty put so much of his own personality into his classes that micro- and macro-economics were actually enjoyable!"

An avid hiker and camper, Ben loves living in the Concord area;

the proximity to the lakes, the mountains and even to Boston makes it the perfect location. In fact, he hopes to buy a home in the area very soon.

Recently, Ben was back on campus

with his girlfriend, Sarah, who met with Academic Advisor Elibet Chase. Of the meeting, Ben says, "She really listened to Sarah and had lots of advice to help her get on the right track. It just reinforced how incredible everyone is at NHTI."



#### **Granite Restaurant and Bar**

Granite Restaurant and Bar is located in The Centennial Hotel in Concord. With seating for 75 people and private function space, it creates an intimate escape for any occasion.

The historic hotel was completely renovated in 2006 and now offers a modern, urban-contemporary flair within a beautiful Queen Anne Victorian landmark, originally built in 1892.

Executive Chef Corey Fletcher and Sous Chef Shawn Flattery offer seasonal menus influenced with French, Mediterranean and Asian style, using local New England products whenever possible. The Granite is the ideal place to enjoy an exquisite breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner.

Benjamin Roy, Restaurant Manager, cordially invites his fellow alumni of NHTI, Concord's Community College, to enjoy the beautiful atmosphere and delicious food at Granite Restaurant and Bar. Remember to introduce yourself to Ben!

(603) 227-9000 www.graniterestaurant.com



#### • Alumni Updates •

#### 1966

#### George Dobrowski

has been re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Broadband Forum Organization and is currently working in Sehnzhen, China.

#### 1971

#### **Paul Tardiff**

"Poof" is a graduate of the Manufacturing Engineering Technology department. He is now retired from teaching and has just published his third book about Berlin, New Hampshire entitled *Once upon a Berlin Time*, Volume Three. If you would like to check out any of Poof's books, please go to www.authorhouse.com.

#### 1974

#### Michael Dratwa

earned a degree in Electronic Data Processing. Michael is employed by Home Telephone Company as a Programmer, and does systems analysis and programming on iSeries in COBOL.

Michael said of his NHTI experience: "What I learned at NHTI got me where I am today, 36 years in DP."

#### 1975

#### **David Grant**

has a degree in Manufacturing Engineering Technology. He is employed at Markem – Imaje Corporation and is a Designer / Drafter III. His job is to design and detail mechanical parts and assemblies using CAD.

David says: "I am a USATF Certified Track & Field Official and travel all over the country working meets. I have been from Orono, ME to Honlulu, HI for meets, and have worked with athletes from 7 to 102 years old. I have worked the USA Senior Nationals (equivalent to the Olympic Trials), the USA Junior Nationals and several National JO, Youth and Masters Championships. I have had the honor to work with World Champions from all parts of the globe. It is how my family (my wife and daughter are also officials) spends most of our vacation time each year."

#### 1977

#### Deborah (Colman) Sampson

has earned a, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC, NHTI Nursing. Dr. Sampson has accepted a position as an Assistant Professor at the Connell School of Nursing, Boston College. She is also a consultant at the US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resource and Services Administration, where she works on health workforce research and analysis. She was also recently elected as the New Hampshire representative to the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners and was named State Nurse Practitioner of the Year (NH) by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

Deborah says of her education, "I received an extraordinary nursing educational foundation

at NHTI that has enabled me to achieve all my career goals and remain a committed functional nurse providing up to date care."

#### 1978

#### Sandra (Davis-Bentley) Davis-Sanders

graduated with a degree in Nursing, then went on to New Hampshire College and earned her Bachelor's in Human Services. Sandra works at the Saint Ann Rehab and Nursing Center as the Director of Social Services.

Sandra says of her education: "My education at NHTI was extremely valuable to me at that time in my life. It was the foundation that led to my further desire to continue my education. It gave me the strength to believe in myself as a person as well as a valuable asset to my family and my community."

#### 1980

#### Juliana (Kobashar) von

#### Recklinghausen

has a degree in Radiology. Juliana is employed at Exeter Hospital as a Radiation Therapist and is pursuing her psychology degree from Hesser College. Juliana is married to Fiedrich and has two grown children, Daniel and Tatiana.

#### 1981

#### Ferd Ahlberg

was awarded his degree in Electronic Engineering Technology. Ferd went on to UNH and earned his Bachelor's in Electronic Engineering Technology. He is employed as a Principal Engineer with Oasys Technology in Manchester. Ferd says his education at NHTI was, "extremely valuable in my career."

#### 1981

#### **Kimberly Coronis**

graduated with a Business Administration degree. Kimberly works at Breathe NH as a Youth Program Manager. Kimberly loves the outdoors and her many adventures include kayaking, fishing and camping. "The education I got at NHTI has supported careers in both the corporate and non-profit sectors."

#### 1982

#### Michael Hilliard

graduated with a degree in Emergency Medical Services. He is working in Mount Dora, Florida, as a Captain/Training Officer, and is responsible for developing and presenting continuing education, certification classes, Incident Command and Emergency Management programs. Michael got his Bachelor's Degree from St. Petersburg College for Fire Science & Emergency Management in 2010. One of Michael's accomplishments was riding in the National EMS Memorial Bicycle ride from South Portland, Maine to Washington, DC.

#### 1984

#### John Brady

has a degree in Emergency Medical Services. He has worked for the Portland Fire Department in Maine for 25 years and is currently a Training Captain. John and his wife, Colleen, have two daughters, Katherine and Mariah. He says that his education at NHTI "provided me with a solid foundation in paramedic education."

#### **Kevin Mahoney**

earned a degree in Electronic Engineering
Technology from NHTI in 1984 and a Bachelor's
Degree from UNH in 1988. Since 2001, he has
been running his own engineering company.
As President of Casco Systems LLC, Kevin
is focused on automation and integration for
renewable energy and power transmission
systems. Kevin says that he and his wife, Wendy,
"are now getting our oldest child, Madolin, ready
for college next year and our younger child, Liam,
ready for high school!"

#### **Helen Norton**

is a graduate of the Registered Nursing Program. Helen is looking to get connected with some of her fellow graduates and have a reunion in Concord, NH. Please call the alumni office at 271-7735!

#### 1988

#### **Dan Cartier**

took advantage of the 2 + 2 program and transferred his credits to the UNH College of Engineering and Physical Sciences. Dan attended night school for several years and graduated from UNH CEPS with a BSET degree in 2004. He has been employed by Goss International in Durham NH for 16 years and is the Controls Design Engineer, designing and developing commercial and newspaper printing press control systems. Dan also runs his own business, Cartier Consulting LLC , which offers computer, networking, web design services and more.

Dan is married to Samai Littlefield and they have an 11 year old son, Elijah. Dan is an avid golfer, is involved in coaching youth baseball, and hopes to coach youth football in the fall.

#### 1989

#### **Scott LaCroix**

has a degree in Architectural Engineering Technology and went on to Southwestern College to get his Bachelor's Degree in Computer Operations. Scott lives in North Carolina and is employed by the United States Air Force as a Meteorologist.

#### 1991

#### Donna (Ouellette) Bilodeau

earned a degree in Nursing. Donna is employed at Concord Hospital as an Operating Room Nurse. Donna says of her education: "The nursing program is excellent. High rate of passing the Boards the first time. Very affordable too." Donna has three children, Crystal, Luke and Paige.

#### 1993

#### **Dara Bartlett**

earned a degree in Paramedic Emergency Medicine, and went on to UMass Amherst for her Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition. Dara is employed by Realistic Expectations as a Nutritionist.

#### Sheila White

graduated with a degree in Business Management and resides in Huntingtown, Maryland.

#### 1996

#### Elizabeth (Dalrymple) Clouatre

graduated with a degree in Travel and Tourism. She and her husband, Jeffrey, recently moved from Vermont to North Carolina with their two young daughters, Kasandra and Emalee. Elizabeth says, "We bought a house and we are hoping to have a happy life here in NC. It is very different from New England but we are really enjoying it so far."

#### 1999

#### Shari (Stohl) Parker

earned a degree in Radiologic Technology. She is now the supervisor of the Radiological Department at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital in Colebrook, NH. She is married to Michael Parker and lives in Colebrook with their 6 year old son, Caden. Shari's parents Eric and Lois Stohl are "very proud of our daughter."

#### 2002

#### Michael Meath

earned a degree in Criminal Justice, and is employed by the Minneapolis Police Department. Michael says: "After graduating in 2002, I worked for the Pittsfield Police Department where I completed my internship while attending NHTI. I worked for them almost 3 years; then I moved back to Minneapolis and began working for the MPD. I have been here for 5 years and am currently working in the 4th Pct. and I'm a member of the SWAT team."

Michael says his education at NHTI "gave me the fundamentals and the knowledge to succeed in my chosen field. All of the instructors were very knowledgeable in their field and it was great learning from someone who actually worked in the field they taught."

#### 2003

#### Eric Miller

earned a degree in Criminal Justice. He furthered his education at New England College, earning a Bachelor's Degree in English. Eric wants to come back NHTI to major in General Studies and Human Services. Eric says of his education: "It was of great value. I pursued a career which was my passion and while physically unable

to follow through on it, the curriculum in the criminal justice program challenged me in ways I never thought possible."

#### Mikal Payne

is a graduate of the Sports Management Program. He has been busy in France watching the

just completed a Bachelor's Degree in Sports Management online from California University of Pennsylvania, and is working at RCC in the Fitness department and also teaches Cardiac Rehab classes.

#### 2003

#### Nick Turmel

graduated with a degree in Real Estate. He then went on to get his Bachelor's Degree from Southern New Hampshire University in Business Studies with a Concentration in Small Business Management. Nick is co-owner of Association Property Management Solutions, LLC.

Nick says of his NHTI experience: "My degree in Real Estate from NHTI gave me a solid foundation not only in pursuing my education with other degrees, but it also provided me with an unparalleled foundation in Real Estate that I could have not obtained from anywhere else. That education, experience, and networking helped to give me the edge to shape my Real Estate/Property Management/Entrepreneurial career path, and led to my accomplishments and successes."

#### 2005

#### Christopher M. Boswell

graduated with an Addiction Counseling degree. He is attending Granite State College for a Behavioral Science degree in 2011. Christopher is employed at Merrimack County Department of Corrections / SOAR Program and is a Case Manager there. Of NHTI Christopher says, "It jump started me into the career I wanted, giving me what I define as a Master's level education in Addiction Counseling wrapped up into an Associate's Degree."

#### **Peter Maes**

earned a degree in Criminal Justice. Peter enlisted in the United States Army Reserve and completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Lee in January of 2010.

#### 2006

#### Nichelle Stephenson

received her degree in Business Management. Nichelle is pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree at Hesser College in 2012. Nichelle is a waitress at Denny's Restaurants.

Nichelle says of her experience at NHTI: "More than anything the experience was so valuable. Getting involved in student life, feeling like I could make a difference has shown me that with a little determination you can do anything. I have held

on to that determination and despite the difficult job market, I have persevered and am now finishing my Bachelor's Degree. I thank NHTI for giving, for helping me grow and be someone who can have a strong attitude and work ethic, no matter the situation or job."

**Stacey Thornell** 

is a graduate of the Radiologic Technology program. Stacey works at Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge Massachusetts as a Radiation Therapist.

#### 2007

#### Shilo (Lavenskie) Stoney

earned a degree in Liberal Arts. Shilo is getting married on August 7, 2010. Shilo says of her experience: "I was a single mother trying so hard to better myself and it was an amazing journey."

#### 2008

#### **James Barber**

is a graduate of the Paralegal program and lives in Allenstown NH.

#### John Mason

earned a degree in Accounting and furthered his education at Southern New Hampshire University towards a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. John is employed by the State of NH, Department of Revenue Administration and is a Tax Auditor.

John says, "NHTI provided me with the fundamental concepts needed to achieve the success that I am experiencing today in the accounting field. I owe a lot to the teachers and staff that have supported me along the way, and to my classmates who are still an important part of my life today."

#### **Andrew Pavlik**

graduated with a degree in Electronic Engineering Technology. Andrew is getting married on August 21, 2010 to Abigail Meadows. Andrew says of his college experience: "I found NHTI to be a practical, hands on curriculum which has been a big help as I approach problems in my job."

#### 2009

#### Erin (Lyman) Braley

earned a degree in Dental Hygiene. Erin says, "I am currently making my own schedule and working in several wonderful dental offices in Keene as a dental hygienist. I couldn't ask for anything more, and I'm so happy that I chose this field. My family is thriving, and being able to make my own schedule has allowed us all to enjoy each other very much! I still check in with some of my teachers every once in a while, and it's a great feeling to be able to chat as dental professionals and not just as "teacher/student."

#### **Robert (Tony) Lomartire**

received his Associates Degree in Animation & Graphic Game Programming. Tony was offered a job one week after graduation with Rampid Interactive and has been working from home as a programmer for them ever since.

# Engagements

#### Allaire '05 - Prive

Jessica Allaire and Joseph Prive have announced their engagement. Jessica attended NHTI for two years and is pursuing a Lead Teacher Certificate. Jessica is a toddler teacher at Tender



Tour de France. Mikal



Years Learning Center. Joseph attended Baran Institute of Technology and is a mechanic at Quirk Chevrolet - Buick -Hummer.

#### Auger – Little '96

Chantal Vicky Auger and Jessie James Little are pleased to announce their Jessica Allaire and engagement. Chantal is a front desk receptionist



Joseph Prive

for Polaris in Hooksett. Jessie graduated from Manchester West High School and he attended NHTI. He is a medical assistant with Bedford Podiatry Group.

#### Dennis - Brown '08

Rachel Dennis and Ben Brown have announced their engagement. Rachel is attending UNH and Ben graduated from NHTI and is employed with FairPoint Communications.

#### Chandler - Beaudin '06

Sarah Chandler and Taylor Beaudin are engaged. Sara is a speech assistant for Lin-Wood Public School in Lincoln. Taylor earned an Associates Degree in Architectural Engineering Technology at NHTI and works for Saber Mountain Property Management in Lincoln.

#### Houle '02 - Desrochers

Nicole Houle and Timothy Desrochers are engaged. Nicole graduated from NHTI with a Radiologic Technology Degree and also Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences. Nicole recently received her certification in massage therapy and is a massage therapist working as an independent contractor in the New York City area. Timothy is a special agent with the United States Secret Service.

#### Fairchild - Eastland '06

Mallory Fairchild and Michal Eastland are engaged. Molly graduated from the University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and works at Walt Disney World in Florida. Michael graduated from Belmont High School and attended NHTI. Michael is a fire control man in the United States Navy.

#### LaFramboise '04 - Douglass

Stephanie LaFramboise and Brian Douglass are engaged. Steph graduated from NHTI with a degree in Business Management and Accounting. Steph works at a pediatric office in Bedford, and Brian is an HVAC mechanic at Concord Hospital.

#### Leslie '05 – Hodges

Amanda Leslie and Daniel Hodges are engaged. Amanda graduated from Manchester Central High School and attended NHTI. Amanda is a dental assistant, and Daniel is a police officer with the city of Nashua.

#### Lewis '09 - Farrell

Christen Lewis and Frank Farrell Jr. are engaged. Christen graduated from Concord High School and earned an Associates Degree in Business Administration from NHTI. She works for the State and also Lewis Farm. Frank is an IT Technician for TRMI.

#### Fuller '08 - Keith '06

Kathryn Fuller and David Keith Jr. have announced their engagement. Kathryn earned an Associates Degree in Sports Management, and is employed by York County Federal Credit Union in Maine. David earned an Associates

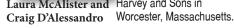


Kathryn Fuller and David Keith Jr. Degree in Criminal Justice. He is a police officer

in southern Maine.

#### McAlister -D'Alessandro

Laura McAlister and Craig D'Alessandro are engaged. Laura attended NHTI and works for Concord Hospital. Craig has a degree from Keene State and works for Francis Laura McAlister and Harvey and Sons in



#### McKerley '98 - Campbell

Jessica Gunnard McKerley and Leon Campbell have announced their engagement. Jessica graduated from Merrimack Valley High School in 1996, and from NHTI. Jessica is employed by Concord Hospital. Leon works for Bedford Cottage in Suncook.

#### Mullen '10 - Paveglio

Amanda Mullen and Anthony Paveglio have announced their engagement. Amanda graduated from Merrimack Valley High School and is pursuing a degree in Visual Arts. Anthony earned a Bachelor's Degree from Hesser College and works for the State Department of Transportation.

#### Pirttiaho '09 - Konick

Lisa Pirttiaho and David Konick are engaged. Lisa graduated from Hopkinton High School and is attending NHTI. Lisa is a senior sales associate for Hess Corporation in Chichester. David was home-schooled and is an employee of Wal-Mart Corporation.

#### Roy'10 - Dutton

Meaghan Roy and Alex Dutton are engaged. Meaghan attended Daniel Webster College, then transferred to NHTI and majored in Business Management. Meaghan is majoring in Culinary Arts at Lakes Region Community College and is a manager at Calvin Klein. Alex is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Business Management at Southern New Hampshire University and is a manager at J. Crew. An April 2011 wedding is planned.

#### Sylvain '10 - Crete

Patricia Sylvain of Weare and Adam Crete of Boscawen announce their engagement. Patricia is a graduate of Dental Hygiene and Adam is the manager of Highway View Farm in Boscawen.

#### Wasp '10 - Youngman

Samantha Wasp and Michael Youngman are pleased to announce their engagement. Samantha graduated from Bishop Brady High School in 2003 and is currently enrolled in the LPN Program at NHTI. Samantha works for Concord Hospital. Michael works for Aranco Oil

#### Zember '08 - Johnson

Angela R. Zember is engaged to Alan R. Johnson. Angela graduated from Pinkerton Academy and attended NHTI. Alan graduated from Londonderry High School and Rivier

# Weddings

#### Harpel - Ludwig '07

Amanda Harpel and Christopher Ludwig were married at the Castle at Ashley Manor in Chandler, Arizona. Amanda is a retail manager. Christopher graduated from John Stark Regional High School and earned a Criminal Justice Degree at NHTI. He works in security.



Amanda Harpel and Christopher Ludwig

Rachel Perry and Adam Mead

Perry '09 - Mead Rachel Perry and Adam Mead were married September 5, 2009. Rachel graduated from Concord High School and attended the Visual Arts Program at NHTI. Adam is an aviation boatswain's mate in the

Navy, stationed at Norfolk, VA, where the couple resides.

#### Mailhot - Stevens '02

Melissa Mailhot and Jeffrey Stevens are married. Melissa is an occupational therapist in Manchester. Jeffrey graduated from Manchester Memorial High School and attended NHTI. He is an HVAC/R technician with Ray's Refrigeration.

## Anniversaries

#### Wright

Cecil class of '72 and Regina class of '88 of Raleigh North Carolina celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Cecil graduated from NHTI and is Chief Information Officer and Senior Vice President for the United Way of the Greater Triangle. Cecil was one of the original students to attend NHTI in 1965. Regina graduated from NHTI and is employed by the City of Raleigh Fire Department as a Financial Manager. Their interests include family and a great round of golf!

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# • In Memory •

#### Beeson Sr.

Edward A Beeson Sr. passed in January. He was raised and educated in the Boston area before moving to New Hampshire. Edward attended NHTI. His hobbies included woodworking, carving and finishing. Edward also enjoyed quilting.

#### (Day) Berry

Susan L. (Day) Berry died after a brief illness. Susan graduated from Manchester High School West and earned an Associates Degree in Business Administration. She will be remembered for her sense of humor, as well as her selfless and giving ways. Susan's family was the center of her life; she enjoyed crafts and was fond of animals.

#### Goebel

Gary A. Goebel died suddenly at his Pembroke residence. Gary lived in Manchester most of his life. He graduated from Memorial High School and attended NHTI when it was New Hampshire Vocational Technical College. Gary worked at National Grid, Keyspan and Energy North for many years. He was an avid skier, hiker and biker. Gary had many talents, and the one that he loved best was playing drums and guitar in a band. He also enjoyed his cabin in Lisbon.

#### Luiz

Charles Luiz died after a sudden illness. Charles lived in Manchester for most of his life and graduated from West High School and NHTI when it was New Hampshire Technical Institute. He enjoyed ballroom dancing, square dancing and wood working. He especially loved making toys and doll furniture for his granddaughters.

#### Terrio Sr.

Dennis A. Terrio Sr. died on May 3, 2010. Dennis was the Grounds Supervisor at NHTI for many years. He operated a landscaping business in the spring, summer and fall. Dennis enjoyed the outdoors, vegetable and flower gardening, and spending time with his family.

#### Turschman

Samantha Rae Turschman died on April 14, 2010 at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon. Samantha was attending NHTI and pursuing a degree in Human Services.

#### **Upham**

Lynn M. Upham, 43, passed on June 20, 2010 at home after a long illness. Lynn was a lifelong resident of Manchester. She earned an Associate Degree in Nursing from NHTI. Lynn worked as a registered nurse at Catholic Medical Center, and also in private home health care and at Parkland Medical Center, Derry, NH. Lynn enjoyed playing the clarinet with the Windham Community Band, sewing, and family trips to Disney World in Florida.

# **New Academic Programs at NHTI**

# Early Care & Education of Children with Disabilities

his fall, NHTI's Department of Child and Family Studies will begin offering a new two-year Associates Degree in Early Care and Education for Young Children with Disabilities.

This program will prepare students to begin working in the growing field of early intervention and early childhood special needs. It responds to the increased diagnosis of young children with autism, and the growing need for qualified professionals to work with children with autism and their families while helping to reduce out-of-district placements. Graduates of this program will be able to help improve educational outcomes for young children with autism, low-incidence disabilities, and other special needs.

For more information, contact **Gale Hall** at (603) 271-2305 or ghall@ccsnh. edu.

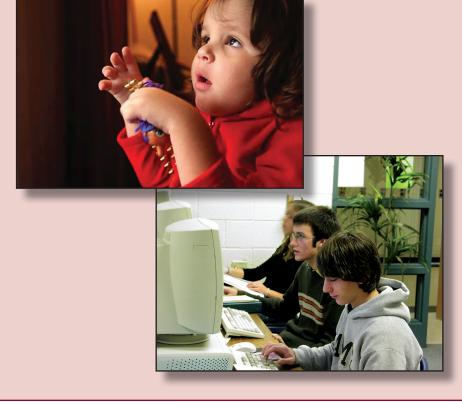
## **Information Technology Tech Support Certificate**

lso new this fall, the Information Technology department at NHTI is offering a new Tech Support Certificate Program. The program consists of eight courses which provide students with core IT knowledge and technical support skills used in business and industry. Students will take courses in hardware/software, networking, database, scripting and Windows Server. They will also learn how to apply these skills in a tech support environment. Extensive hands-on training is provided in our computer and network labs.

"We created the Tech Support Certificate so that students with work experience could upgrade their IT skills to meet the ever expanding need for Tech Support professionals," says IT department head **Tom Laurie**.

This program is available days and evenings. If taken full time, it can be completed in two semesters.

For more information contact **Tom Laurie** at (603) 271-2369 or tlaurie@ccsnh.edu.



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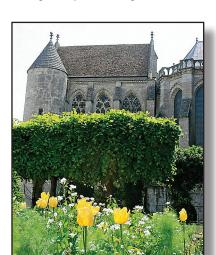
# Paris in the Springtime



Left to right: Connie Roy-Czyzowski, Lynn Kilchenstein and Prof. Alan Lindsay sightseeing in the streets of Hautevilliers, a vineyard town where the legendary Dom Perignon is buried. *Photo: Sandy Brien* 



The Eiffel Tower by night. Photo: Erin McLendon, Business Administration student.



**Chartres Cathedral.** Photo: Michelle Crispo, Radiologic Technology student.



Connie Roy-

Czyzowski and

on the banks of the Seine. Photo: Alan Lindsay

her son, Andrew,

Left to right: Lakes Region CC President Mark Edlestein, CCSNH Trustee Connie Roy-Czyzowski, Susan Baldi, Paul and Lynn Kilchenstein, NHTI President, Drew Seder, and NHTI Board member Sandy Brien dine on board ship just prior to embarking on a cruise down the Seine. Photo: Bill French



Tower.



The NHTI crew explores the back streets of Paris. Photo: Michelle Crispo
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#### Paramedics (Re)unite!

hawn Riley graduated from NHTI with a degree in Paramedic Emergency Medicine in 1990. He says, "I find it hard to believe that twenty years have gone by since we graduated!" With this in mind, Shawn began tracking down his fellow graduates to arrange a reunion. Between his own professional networks and Facebook, Shawn was able to reconnect with almost all of them.

"Of the 13 graduates we had, 10 of us are still working in the field – or at least in health-care related fields," Shawn said, "including places such as Rockingham Ambulance, Lakes Region General Hospital and the Concord and Londonderry Fire Departments."

In alphabetical order: **Will Bartels** works for the Concord Fire Department. **Dale Clement** is an emergency room nurse in Portsmouth. **Estelle "Dusty" Bailey Decantur** will begin law school this fall. **Gary Dion** works for the Londonderry Fire Department. **Dave Goldman** works in human resources in Rhode Island. **Dave Lacaillade** is the



Joining Shawn (center) for the small reunion in May were Estelle "Dusty" Bailey Decantur and Will Bartels.

manager of Rockingham Ambulance. **Roxanne Lawrence** works as a nurse for LRGHealthcare. **Jon Lovett** is a paramedic in Lawrence, MA. **Steve Millette** is a registered nurse, working in the Rochester area. **Chris Moretto** works for a fire department in Maine. **Shawn Riley** is the Deputy Chief of Emergency Medical Services in Laconia. He is also the Deputy Chief of EMS for LRGHealthcare.

The NHTI Paramedic Class of 1990

Peter "Jaws" Daigle and Bill Small are missing in action ... hey guys, get back in touch!

# Gary Dion Dave Goldman Estelle "Dusty" Bailey Decantur

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**Steve Millette** 

**Dale Clement** 

**Chris Moretto** 

# Winter Fling 2011

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A Fundraising Benefit for NHTI, Concord's Community College



Saturday, January 29, 2011

A day-long celebration of music, food & dance!

Fourth Down & Four Miles Walk & Run – 12:00 noon Battle of the Bands – 2:00 pm Taste of International Concord & Wine Pairing – 5:00 pm Dancing with the Concord Stars - 7:00 pm

#### Fourth Down & Four Mile Walk & Run

The whole family can join this SuperBowl-themed 4-mile walk, jog or run! The fun begins at Northeast Delta Dental at 12:00 noon, finishing at NHTI.

#### Battle of the Bands

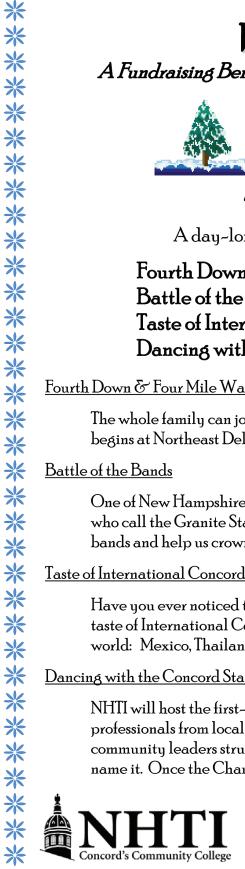
One of New Hampshire's best kept secrets is the sheer amount of talented musicians who call the Granite State "home." Join us for an afternoon of live music featuring local bands and help us crown the Concord area's "Best Band 2011!"

#### Taste of International Concord & Wine Pairing

Have you ever noticed the eclectic mix of restaurants in Downtown Concord? Enjoy a taste of International Concord at NHTI by sampling delicious foods from around the world: Mexico, Thailand, Asia, India, Middle East, Italian, Egypt & Greece.

#### Dancing with the Concord Stars

NHTI will host the first-ever Dancing with the Concord Stars event. Coached by professionals from local dance academies, you will love watching our business & community leaders strut their stuff on the dance floor! Swing, ballroom, hip hop... you name it. Once the Champion is crowned, we invite YOU to step to the floor for a whirl.



All events to be held on the NHTI campus. To become a sponsor or get more information, please contact Lee Ann Lewis at (603) 271 – 7735 or llewis@ccsnh.edu.

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## **Congratulations Class of 2010!**



#### By the Numbers

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	Total number of graduates in 2010: Total number of programs of study represented in 2010 graduation:	505 27
	Associate Degrees in Arts	
ı	Liberal Arts	12 graduates
	Visual Arts	8 graduates
ı	Associate Degrees in Engineering Technology	
ı	Architectural Engineering Technology	20 graduates
ı	Computer Engineering Technology	7 graduates
ı	Electronic Engineering Technology	12 graduates
ı	Manufacturing Engineering Technology	6 graduates
	Mechanical Engineering Technology	25 graduates
ı	Associate Degrees in Science	
ı	Accounting	9 graduates
ı	Addiction Counseling	5 graduates
ı	Animation and Graphic Game Programming	14 graduates
ı	Business Administration	40 graduates
ı	Business Admin. / Concentration in Sports Management	10 graduates
ı	Criminal Justice	47 graduates
ı	Dental Hygiene	37 graduates
ı	Early Childhood Education	14 graduates
ı	Education	10 graduates
ı	General Studies	69 graduates
ı	Health Science	17 graduates
ı	Hotel Administration	5 graduates
ı	Human Services	13 graduates
ı	Information Technology	22 graduates
ı	Landscape and Environmental Design	1 graduate
١	Nursing	59 graduates
١	Paralegal Studies	4 graduates
١	Paramedic Emergency Medicine	13 graduates
١	Radiologic Technology	24 graduates
	Travel and Tourism	2 graduates
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### **Makeover for MacRury Hall!**

If you have been on campus recently, it is likely you noticed the construction barriers around MacRury Hall.

Scheduled to reopen in early August as the new home of Paramedics, Orthopaedics, Biology and Radiology, MacRury is getting a makeover!



President Lynn Kilchenstein and site supervisor Mark Goldstein examine a newlyinstalled x-ray machine in MacRury Hall.

The highlights include:

- New state-of-the-art equipment for the Radiologic Technology labs
- New state-of-the-art lab for the Orthopaedic Technology program with exam tables for practicing casting, splinting and bracing
- The Paramedic Program will have a new Classroom Ambulance Simulator, with break out rooms for use of the MediVan and other lab activities
- Three new Biology labs (replacing two old labs)
- New space for offices, classrooms, a student lounge and a conference room

# Save the Date!

MacRury Reopening Tuesday October 26, 2010

Take a peek at the newly renovated MacRury Hall!

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#### Follow NHTI online!

Please visit the NHTI Facebook page and join our



1200+ fans, or follow us on Twitter. Sign up today and you'll receive announcements from the College about



upcoming events, lectures, films and other exciting happenings on campus.



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# **Attention Alumni**

Did you land a new job?

Get married?

Win an award? Publish a book?

Send us your news, so we can share it with your fellow alumni, to:

NHTI Alumni Affairs Office 31 College Drive, Concord, NH 03301 or nhtialumniaffairs@ccsnh.edu

## Paging Your Classmates: Please Report to NHTI's Alumni Office!

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

We are looking for **Joseph Benham**, who graduated with a degree in Computer Engineering Technology in 2001. At the time, Joe Benham was living in Tewksbury, MA. A classmate of his would like to get back in touch. So, Joe, 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.

# Announcing the President's Fund for Excellence at NHTI

n the first day of classes last fall, NHTI, Concord's Community College, had more than 4,000 students. While we welcome such exciting growth in enrollment, we recognize the challenges that come along with such a drastic increase in the number of students. The College must have enough faculty, classroom space, equipment, advanced technology and scholarships to meet its mission of providing a high-quality, accessible, affordable education to our students.



This year, the **President's Fund for Excellence at NHTI** was established as a means to fund the highest priority needs for the College. Each year, **President Lynn Kilchenstein** will designate the revenue of this new fund to:

- Advanced technology and equipment for many technical majors (Engineering and Nursing, etc.)
- Hiring qualified faculty to meet the increased demand of teaching more than 4,000 students
- Ability to grow existing academic programs and establish new areas of study
- Building renovation, improvements and refurbishment
- Ability to offer financial assistance to as many students as possible

To make a donation to the President's Fund for Excellence at NHTI, please make your check out to NHTI, Concord's Community College and list "President's Fund" in the memo section. Please mail your contribution to 31 College Drive, Concord, NH 03301, Attn: Lee Ann Lewis.

Lynn Kilchenstein

Lynn Kilchenstein, President NHTI, Concord's Community College