



News and Updates For You

Welcome to the monthly e-newsletter for NHTI alumni and community supporters. We want to keep you up-to-date on our academic programs, upcoming events, and let you know how you can support and stay in touch with us. Thank you for being part of NHTI - Concord's Community College.

NHTI Welcome Message

Once a year my picture matches with the holiday - happy St. Patrick's Day. This is the one day of the year when everyone is Irish and we all hope that a little luck rubs off on us.

With the past year we have all had, I would say that a little luck would be welcome. However, we all know that the success of our students is not about luck but instead, it is about hard work, determination, and having the right support systems in place for students to achieve their goals.

The alumni that continue to give back to NHTI by being guest speakers, offering internships to students, sponsoring an event, or establishing scholarships are the ones we are lucky to have. The community partnerships with businesses and non-profit organizations that have sustained and thrived during the past year are better than any four-leaf clover.

NHTI is lucky to have your support, today and everyday. Thank you.

Laura Scott
Director of Alumni & Development



Alumni Spotlight - Mike Farina, EET 1971

Early in my life, I had definitive goals for my career and aspirations for my life – some would call them unrealistic given my very modest starting point. I had no money and did not want to burden my parents with the cost of my secondary education; I had three other brothers, all of whom were smarter than me and more deserving. Nevertheless, I felt with hard work and diligence, I could do great things. All I needed was a solid platform from which to launch. Once I had some essential skills and credentials, I could take it from there.

Continue reading [here](#) about Mike and his journey at NHTI and beyond.

Alumni Updates & News

Liz Brennen (Hospitality & Tourism/2018)
started a new business, Summit Window Cleaning, LLC in 2019 in the Lakes Region.

Kristen Courtemanche (Early Childhood)

Education/2014) recently got engaged and added a new bundle of joy to her family.

Mike Kennard (Paramedic Emergency Medicine/1997) wrote a great article about fellow alum **Sandy Hillsgrove (Paramedic Emergency Medicine/1981)** in [EMS World](#).

Dr. Rickard Ruck, Jr. (Criminal Justice/1994) has been selected by the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) as a recipient of this year's Sage/ACJS Junior Faculty Professional Development Award.

The **Paramedic Emergency Medicine** alumni are great at staying connected through their [Facebook page](#). See what some of our alumni are up to. Lately, it is been lots of COVID vaccinations.

If you have alumni updates & news you want to share, [email](#) me so I can include it in future e-newsletters.



Supporting Students Through Scholarships



NHTI awarded more than \$36,500 in scholarships to 42 students from 23 scholarship funds for the Spring 2021 semester. You can read the press release and view the scholarship presentation [here](#) to learn more about our amazing students.

These scholarships are the reason that many students are able to take a class, pay for books, and spend time studying, as opposed to taking on additional hours at work.

If you would like to donate to any of our [scholarships](#), you can do so [online](#) or by contacting [Laura Scott](#) for more information.

Community Partnerships: Zonta Club of Concord

The [Zonta Club of Concord](#) has been a long-time supporter of NHTI and our students. During the Spring semester, they have showing their commitment by:

- Delivering menstrual products to campus as part of their Period Project to insure that these items were free and available to anyone that needed them;
- Distributing over 200 Vaccination Education Campaign pins to our Nursing and Paramedic Emergency Medicine students and faculty; and
- Awarding over \$8,800 in scholarships to NHTI students so they could continue towards their higher education goals



NHTI Athletics has been streaming games, practices, and interviews with players and coaches on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

NHTI's Alpha Upsilon Omicron Chapter of **Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society (PTK)** was recently recognized as a 5-Star Chapter. This is a great accomplishment and you can read more about it [here](#).

A big [Thank You](#) to **Abby and Emily Ryan** for the



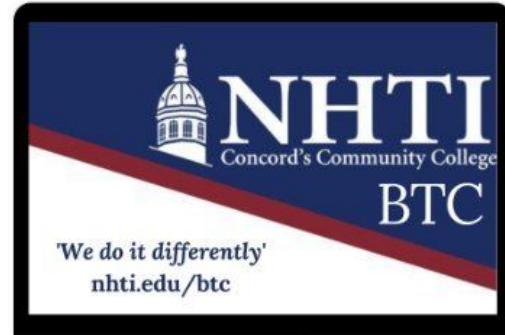
donation of a telescope to enhance our astronomy course. Abby and Emily's father, **Professor Stephen Ryan**, taught in the Mechanical Engineering Program for over 20 years and passed away in 2010. We are happy to have this piece of equipment in Little Hall where Professor Ryan spent so much of his time.

NHTI Business Training Center On Demand Career Training Programs

NHTI, in partnership with ed2go, offers 100% online open enrollment programs designed to provide the skills necessary to acquire professional level positions for many in-demand occupations.

Our programs are designed by a team of professionals from each respective field, providing you with effective web-based learning programs. Instructors/mentors are actively involved in your online learning experience, responding to any questions or concerns, as well as encouraging and motivating you to succeed.

Check out all the [courses](#) we offer and kick-start your career training today.



Upcoming Events

Campus Reads, sponsored by The Eye, is reading "[An American Sunrise](#)" by Joy Harjo and is holding a panel discussion on **Tuesday, March 30th at 7pm**. This event is happening via Zoom and open to all.

21st Annual Multicultural Day, Tuesday, April 6th from noon-2:30pm via [zoom](#). Join in for as little or as long as you can to support our students, faculty and staff as they share photos, songs, and traditional dress of their homeland. All are welcome to attend.

Resources Available to You!

The Library Learning Commons has a new [Gender Equality Toolkit](#) and [Antiracism Toolkit](#). Some of the items need a CCSNH login but much of the information is available to the public to review. For more information about these toolkits, contact [Christie Cho](#), Coordinator of the Learning Commons.

[NH Promise](#) is a joint effort between the Community College System of NH and the NH Lodging & Restaurant Association to provide free, online training for restaurants and workers on COVID-related safety protocols.



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