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In the spotlight

Brent Lemire has spent the last 33 years working for the Manchester Fire Department (FD), the Litchfield FD (on a part-time basis) and the Town of Litchfield Budget Committee where he currently serves as Chairman. The UNH alum earned his Master's degree in Public Administration (MPA) in 2004 and retired from his full time position with the Manchester FD in 2006. "After I retired from the part-time Fire Chief's position in Litchfield in 2001 I was afraid I'd have too much time on my hands! I had been thinking about an advanced degree when I happened to see an ad for the MPA program at UNH and thought that would be a great opportunity!"

These experiences, and his retirement from the Manchester Fire Department in 2006, made his next gig a natural fit. After a year of working in the garden and substitute teaching at Pinkerton Academy and Campbell High School, Lemire recently accepted a position as a part-time program assistant with the MPA program at UNH Manchester. The idea of meeting with prospective graduate students, advising current students and interacting with government agencies to promote the program appealed to Lemire. He felt it would give him an opportunity to further develop some of the skills that he learned in Graduate School as well as build on the contacts and abilities he had developed over the course of his career.

"I am really looking forward to promoting and working with Manchester students of the MPA program. With accreditation ongoing, the program should prove essential for those seeking to further their careers in governmental service. In addition, the Manchester students have the benefit of the staff and facilities of the UNH for Graduate & Professional Studies."



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Millyard Businesses Partner for Warmth From The Millyard, a Winter Clothing Drive

For those of us with the means to keep ourselves warm, winter in New Hampshire can be beautiful and invigorating. But for many others, winter means only one thing: misery. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, almost 25,000 Hillsborough County residents live in poverty. Forced to choose

between the rising costs of medicine, heating fuel, rent and gasoline, too many of our fellow residents simply don't have enough money to buy food, much less "luxury" items such as heavy coats, children's snow pants, gloves, scarves, mittens, sweaters, blankets and hats.

To help meet this need, the Community Leadership program at UNH Manchester is sponsoring Warmth from the Millyard, a warmth drive to be held October 29 through November 9. The drive will collect winter clothing items for distribution to area charitable organizations including the YWCA, New Horizons for New Hampshire and SHARE of Milford NH.

Partnering with the Community Leadership program for Warmth from the Millyard are a number of Millyard businesses including the Manchester School District, FIRST, Autodesk, the New Hampshire Fisher Cats, the Manchester Historic Association / Millyard Museum and the SEE Science Center. These businesses will host collection boxes where their



employees and customers can donate clean and useable winter clothing. The collection boxes themselves will be decorated by girls in the YWCA's after-school child care program. There will also be collection boxes in the UNH Manchester lobby at 400 Commercial Street. Morgan Storage has generously donated storage for the clothes collected during the drive.

"With wages not keeping up with the increasing cost of living, we're seeing more and more people taking advantage of our services," said Mary Silva, donations coordinator at New Horizons for New Hampshire. "Warmth from the Millyard will have a profound impact in the lives of our clients this year." *Photo: Brohan and Anna, students in the Community Leadership class, dropping off a collection box at FIRST.*

UNH Manchester is Growing

UNH Manchester has increased the size of its campus by expanding into the fourth floor at 286 Commercial Street . The expansion is designed to better serve the needs of the growing population of UNH Manchester. The new space is conveniently located two buildings south of the University Center on Commercial Street . The new space includes a large classroom, a kitchen, several offices, cubicles, and some open space for student gatherings. To get to the new location from the University Center walk past buildings 340 and 324, the entrance to 286 Commercial Street is at the bottom of the parking lot. Once inside take either elevator to the fourth floor. From there you will see signs for the offices.

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions has Moved! During our expansion the Undergraduate Admissions Office was relocated to the fourth floor at 286 Commercial Street . For more information regarding applying, applications, open houses, special events, tours, and Transfer Tuesdays please contact the Admissions Office at unhm.admissions@unh.edu or 603-641-4150, or visit them at their new location.

The Teacher Education Program Office has relocated to 286 Commercial Street . For more information on Teacher Education please contact Pam Burbank at Pamela.Burbank@Unh.Edu or 603-641-4163.

Juggling Generations in the Classroom

Born 1981-1999 and seventy-six million people strong, the Millennials are described as a confident, optimistic, sheltered and multi-tasking generation. As with each generation, the Millennials' expectations and values have been shaped by defining events, attitudes, and icons.



Coming into the world during a time when having children was fashionable, Millennials enjoy more attention than other generations. Striving to give their children the best and to keep them protected, these youth are growing-up with a full schedule of enrichment activities and are surrounded by a plethora of safety gadgets. Parents of this generation remain involved in the lives of Millennials

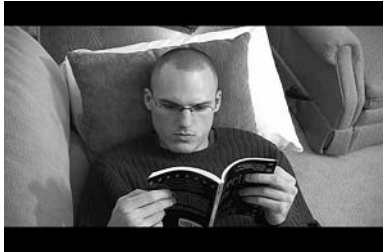
long after parents of other generations had stepped aside remaining influential from choosing a college to choosing employers. Some colleges have created offices solely to provide opportunities for parental involvement and communication. Some employers, knowing the power of parents on this generation, are providing duplicate job offer packages for parents to review.

Join us on Wednesday, November 14 at noon at UNH Manchester to hear about the characteristics of this unique generation of team-oriented, technologically-savvy and civically engaged learners and strategies for helping them achieve their academic goals.

Watch for Familiar Names at this Year's SNOB Film Festival

UNH Manchester will have a strong representation at this year's International Somewhat North of Boston Film Festival. The festival, playfully called SNOB, will host their annual film festival at Red River Theatres, NHTI and Annichiarico theaters in Concord, New Hampshire in November. The line up includes 2 short films written, directed and filmed by UNH Manchester students, and a presentation by Anthony Tenczar, Associate Professor of Communication Arts.

Quiet Time, a short film written and directed by Shawn Allaire and filmed by Brian Connington, graduates of the communication arts program, was selected as one of the student films to be screened in the SNOB Film Festival. The pair created the film for Anthony Tenczar's Advanced Video class in the spring and it was also screened at UNH's Undergraduate Research Conference in April 2007.



Allaire got the idea for the film while at his house sitting in a room he rarely used. Allaire said, "I noticed there were 50 clocks in the house that I could see from where I was sitting. I was trying to read a book and there was one really loud clock. So I took out the batteries. And then I heard another clock, and then another. I started walking around taking batteries out just so I could have some peace and quiet."

Allaire added, "We were most proud of the film because we tried to shoot it in an appealing way and set-up a good composition for each of the shots. We put it in black and white to make it more appealing. In terms of the over-all craft of the film we're really pleased with the way it came out."

Katherine Potter, a student in the communication arts program, will also have a film featured in the SNOB Film Festival. Her film, *A Man and the Moon* is a documentary about her father's work on the Apollo mission and the trip to the moon. It touches upon the dedication and spirit of both the astronauts and those working on the program. Her father also relates the hardships and heartbreaks they experienced during those years.

Professor Tenczar will present a Black Film Series by Aldo Tambellini. A rarely seen two screen version of Tambellini's seminal film *Black TV* will be featured. This showing of the Black Film Series includes a newer film -- the award-winning digital film *Listen* (2005) which is based on Tambellini's recent poetry and co-directed/edited Tenczar. Tenczar will introduce the films and Tambellini will be on hand to answer questions.

The SNOB Film Festival will take place in Concord, NH on November 9, 10, & 11, 2007. More information is available on their [website](#).

Interview with A Future Teacher

Each year, the Teacher Education Program at UNH Manchester welcomes students from diverse backgrounds. Some students have just finished their undergraduate degree and some are coming later in life, deciding to make a career change. The goal is the same: to become educators. Larry Habel, as with many students in our Teacher Education Program, enrolled at UNH after spending years in another career. Larry is currently a second year M.A.T. student, interning at the Ross Lurgio Middle School in Bedford, NH.

Where are you from? I was born in Florida and raised in California.

What was your former career path? I was in the Navy Submarine Force for 11 years where I was trained in electronics. I worked in fiber optics and as a production supervisor until I took a position as a Logistics Engineer for a defense contractor.

What made you decide to change careers and pursue teaching? The contractor I worked for put me in charge of a course to teach submariners a SONAR system that I had a lot of experience with. That course was the only part of the job that I really liked.

What do you hope to give to and/or get from a new career in education? I hope to give my students

the knowledge necessary to make a difference within our Democracy. I know it may sound idealistic, but what better place than in our schools to instill idealism. Personally, I gain the sense that I am doing something truly important, something that matters in the grand scheme of things. Again, idealistic, I know.

Anything else you would like to add? I have always wanted to teach. If not for my wife knowing this and urging me to do something I enjoy, I would still be in a career that made me miserable.

Every student at UNH Manchester has his or her own story. Larry definitely has a great one to tell. Check back next month when we highlight the story of another student from UNH Manchester's Teacher Education Program.

UNH Manchester to Co-Host 7th Annual Women In Science & Technology Forum

UNH Manchester is pleased to co-host the 7th annual Women in Science and Technology Forum, an annual event coordinated by *FIRST* Place and devoted to sharing valuable information that inspires and motivates young women towards science, engineering, and technology careers, as well as discuss women's professional initiatives and achievements. The conference will be held on Friday, November 2nd at *FIRST* Place and UNH Manchester.



For high school girls approaching a decision about what college to attend, what major to pursue, or what careers paths might be open to them, the Women in Science and Technology Forum provides a unique opportunity to meet professional women and receive guidance through workshops, panel discussions, and interview sessions. Also, Forum participants will hear about a variety of programs from colleges and universities, and learn about resources that are available to help them achieve their education and career goals.

UNH Manchester's Sarah Kenick, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, and Mihaela Sabin, Assistant Professor of Computer Information Systems, have been invited to participate in this year's forum. Kenick will participate in a panel discussion, *Careers in Chemistry*, and Sabin will participate in a panel discussion, *Careers in Information Technology*.

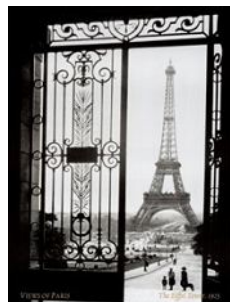
Paul R. Gudonis, President of *FIRST*, said, " *FIRST* Place is proud to initiate this dialogue and contribute to the success of the future workforce of the 21st century. We would like to recognize the generous support received from our co-host UNH Manchester and from Public Service of New Hampshire. We also wish to thank all participating students, educators, and parents for contributing to the success of the Forum."

Art History Tours Abroad

Dr. Andrew Stangel, Adjunct Instructor of Art History, will conduct two intensive one-week cultural excursions to Europe in 2008.

LONDON : "*Capital of the English-Speaking World*", March 16-22, 2008 (Spring Break)

PARIS : "*A Moveable Feast*", July 6-13, 2008



These study tours have been specially planned to provide students the opportunity to learn about peoples and cultures beyond their horizon and to experience first-hand a close and personal look at many of the art historical treasures which form an integral part of the western historical tradition.

Each tour is an intensive four-credit UMST 599 course, and includes visits to museums, monuments, and historical sites, as well as an introductory slide lecture and guided commentary by Dr. Stangel. Interested students, faculty, staff, family and friends are welcomed to participate. For detailed itineraries and course syllabi, please contact Dr. Stangel at (603) 774-7308.

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Dana Biscotti Myskowski, Adjunct Faculty member in the communication arts program, will have one of her short plays, "*Safety Deposit Boxes*", performed by local playwrights at the New Hampshire

Technical Institute's "An Evening of Short Plays" on December 7 & 8 at 7:00 p.m. and December 9 at 4:00 p.m. Admission by donation.

Jack Hoza, Assistant Professor and Director of Sign Language Interpretation, has a book published, *"It's Not What You Sign, It's How You Sign It: Politeness in American Sign Language"*. The book, now available at Gallaudet University Press, explores the area of politeness cross-culturally. Hoza will discuss his recent work at a book reception on Monday, November 5 at 3:00 in the third floor auditorium.

Mihaela Sabin, Assistant Professor & Coordinator of the Computer Information Systems Program, presented a paper, "Teaching and Learning in Live Online Classrooms", at the 8th Annual ACM SIG Information Technology Education Conference, and was held in Sandestin , FL in mid-October. She also chaired the conference session on Learning and Teaching in IT.

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