



## Maureen Reilly Of Durham Awarded Partnership For Effective Nonprofits Fellowship

Fellowship Increases Understanding Of Seacoast Nonprofits

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DURHAM, N.H. -- University of New Hampshire student Maureen Reilly '07, a resident of Durham, has received the 2006-'07 Partnership for Effective Nonprofits Fellowship. Working at a Seacoast-area newspaper, Reilly will write articles on issues relating to the work of area nonprofit organizations.

"Maureen will write on timely topics that are important to current nonprofit work on the Seacoast," said Amy Seif, communications director for the Carsey Institute at UNH, which administers the fellowship. "She'll get great experience in both writing for a newspaper and in the field of nonprofit work."

"I see journalism and the art of reporting as first and foremost a vehicle of change," said Reilly, an English major. She is particularly interested in issue of affordable housing for low-income families. Selected by an application process that included writing samples and an essay about a community issue of importance in the Seacoast, Reilly was chosen as exemplifying the characteristics valued in the fields of public affairs and journalism.

"Our fellows are passionate, hard-working, diligent, excited by challenges, and willing to try new experiences," says Seif.

The Fellowship, which includes a stipend, is a partnership between UNH's Carsey Institute and the Partnership for Effective Nonprofits (a joint initiative of the United Way of the Greater Seacoast, the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Piscataqua Region, Fuller Foundation, and the Foundation for Seacoast Health).

The Carsey Institute at the University of New Hampshire conducts research and analysis on the challenges facing families and communities in New Hampshire, New England, and the nation. The Carsey Institute sponsors independent, interdisciplinary research that documents trends and conditions affecting families and communities, providing valuable information and analysis to policymakers, practitioners, the media, and the general public. Through this work, the Carsey Institute contributes to public dialogue on policies that encourage social mobility and sustain healthy, equitable communities.

The Carsey Institute was established in May 2002 through a generous gift from UNH alumna and noted television producer Marcy Carsey.

**Editors: A photo is available to download here:**

<http://www.unh.edu/news/img/carsey/MaureenReilly2.jpg>

**Caption:** UNH student Maureen Reilly '07 is the 2006-07 Partnership for Effective Non-Profits Fellow. (Credit: Amy Seif, Carsey Institute at UNH):