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DURHAM, N.H. -- The University of New Hampshire Alumni Association hosted an annual awards luncheon recently honoring 10 alumni for their outstanding contributions to the university and for other notable accomplishments in their careers and in their communities.

**The Profile of Service Award** is presented for outstanding performance on behalf of the Alumni Association or the university. This year there were three recipients of this award:

- **Jere Lundholm '53 of Durham**, has been a leader at the university from the moment he graduated at the top of his class in 1953. Lundholm's devotion to the UNH Alumni Association is endless—and so are his volunteer activities. His many contributions include nine years as co-chair of the UNH Sports Gallery Committee, two stints on the Alumni Association Board of Directors and a term on the athletic director's advisory board. A driving force behind the Sports Gallery, he helped to raise more than \$80,000 to fund this project. In 2002, Lundholm was named Volunteer of the Year by the UNH Foundation.
- **Robert Henry of Durham**, has worked tirelessly on behalf of the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences and the university community, playing an integral role in the effort to gain state support for the successful renovation and expansion of Kingsbury Hall. Through the years, he has also devoted considerable time and effort to organizing and building an alumni society within his college. Today, the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences is an outstanding example of how to build and maintain alumni relationships on the college level.
- **Maxine Katz Morse of Rye**, has been a long-time champion of the university, providing support that has been diverse and far-reaching. The Department of Theatre and Dance's Morse Scholarship has helped many students to supplement their tuition cost. Morse also served on the Shoals Marine Laboratory Board, encouraging collaboration between the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences and the board. Described as "an activist, a champion," the athletics department, too, has benefited from her advocacy for athletes and coaches across the state.

**The Alumni Meritorious Service Award**, established in 1934, is presented for devotion and loyalty in maintaining alumni or other UNH organizations, participating in alumni or university affairs, or helping to expand the influence and prestige of the university. There were five recipients of this year's award:

- **Douglas Blampied '60 of Venice, Florida**, has faithfully served the UNH Alumni

Association in countless ways: as president and vice president of the association; as chair of the membership and marketing committee; and as a member of the board of directors. He has also served on the finance, executive and nominating committees. An active member of the Southwest Florida Chapter of the UNH Alumni Association, Blampied received the Recognition Award for the PL1 Silver Shield. He is also a past director of the UNH Foundation, where he served on the board.

- **Ardelia "Dee" Hutchins Hamke '45 of Moultonboro**, has been a driving force, as well as chairperson, of every one of her class reunions since she graduated in 1945: that's more than a half a century of reunions—11 to date, and still counting. As a UNH student, Hamke served as president of the Outing Club and was a member of the UNH Ski Team. Through the years, she has remained an active supporter of the Outing Club.
- **Joan Boodey Lamson '49 of New London**, has tirelessly organized class reunions for 58 years, hosting most planning meetings at her home. Dedication to and involvement with UNH runs in her family: she is married to Don Lamson, president of the class of 1948, and they have two daughters who graduated from the university in 1973 and 1974. Lamson's dedication to UNH through the years has influenced many alumni.
- **David North Stone '72**, who graduated from UNH in 1972, took on the job of class secretary and class contact person and kept up with it over the course of three decades. "Stoney," who was nominated posthumously by classmates, wrote his column for the UNH Magazine and arranged reunions until his death from cystic fibrosis in 2002. The meritorious Service Award honors the depth and quality of his contributions to his alma mater and to his class.
- **Louise Roussel Zerba '62 of Keene**, a 1962 graduate with a degree in social work, has served on the UNH Alumni Association's Ballot Committee and as treasurer of the UNH Alumni Association's Monadnock Chapter. She has also served as treasurer of the Class of 1962. An active participant in the Keene business community, she was selected as Citizen of the Year in 1997. Zerba stands out as a faithful and hard-working UNH alumna.

**The Award of Excellence for Outstanding Achievement**, established in 2005, honors a University of New Hampshire graduate for significant accomplishments in business or professional life or for public service to their community, state, or nation. This year's recipient is **Lt. General Raymond Huot '67 of Apo, N.Y.**, Inspector General of the Air Force, who oversees Air Force inspection policy, criminal investigations, counterintelligence operations, waste and abuse programs and more. Huot entered the Air Force in 1967 as a distinguished graduate of UNH's ROTC program. A command pilot with 3,000 hours in various fighter and attack aircraft, he commanded an F-16 squadron in Europe and an F-16 wing during Operations Desert Storm Shield and Desert Storm. During a career that has been an outstanding example of commitment to excellence, the general has accumulated a list of awards that is long and impressive—and clearly well-deserved.

**The Young Alumnus/Alumna Achievement Award** recognizes a graduate under 40 years of age who is an active volunteer with UNH alumni affairs service to UNH and has demonstrated leadership and promise. This year's recipient is **Jackie Tarbox Valley '94** of Dover, who graduated with a degree in Economics and minors in Education and Justice Studies. Valley is executive director of a program she herself worked tirelessly to establish—

the Community Diversion Program, which helps young people headed toward incarceration get back on track with their lives. At UNH, Valley serves as a member of the Alumni Association's General Awards Committee and has also served on the Nominating Committee.

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