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University Of New Hampshire Commencement Is May 21; Press Conference With Tom Werner Held Prior To Ceremony

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WHAT: University of New Hampshire 135th Commencement and press conference with Tom Werner, owner of the Boston Red Sox.

WHEN: Saturday, May 21, 2005. Commencement: 10 a.m. Press conference: 9-9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Commencement: Cowell Stadium Field, rain or shine. Press conference: Room 5 in the basement of the Field House.

BACKGROUND: Twenty-three hundred undergraduate and graduate students will celebrate their academic careers at UNH at the 135th Commencement. Tom Werner, award-winning television producer and chairman of the reigning World Series Champions, the Boston Red Sox, is the commencement speaker. Granite State Awards will be presented to David M. Krempels, president of The Krempels Brain Injury Foundation, and the Honorable Katherine Wells Wheeler, former New Hampshire State Senator. The ceremony is expected to run approximately two hours.

PRESS PASSES: Press passes will be distributed at the Field House prior to the press conference. Tickets are not needed to attend commencement, but media wanting access to the “press only” area on Cowell Field must have a press pass issued by Media Relations.

PARKING: Reserved parking is available in the front of A-Lot on a first come, first served basis. General parking also is available in lots A, F, Mast Road and West Edge. Shuttles will provide transportation from the Mast Road and West Edge lots. Special services parking is available in B-Lot for those with mobility impairments.

RSVP: Media who are planning to attend the press conference and/or commencement should RSVP to Lori Wright at lori.wright@unh.edu or 603-862-0574.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

http://www.unh.edu/news/news_releases/2005/april/dh_050425commencement.html

http://www.unh.edu/news/news_releases/2005/may/dh_050509granite.html

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