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**WHAT:** University of New Hampshire 134th Commencement

**WHEN:** 10 a.m., Saturday, May 22, 2004

**WHERE:** Cowell Stadium Field, rain or shine.

**BACKGROUND:** Twenty-three hundred undergraduate and graduate students will celebrate their academic careers at UNH at the 134th Commencement. Dr. Mae Jemison, the first African-American female astronaut, is the commencement speaker. Granite State Awards will be presented to Donald L. Shumway, president of the Crotched Mountain Foundation, and Marcia Sink, executive director of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of New Hampshire. Commencement also will feature the awarding of an honorary doctor of humane letters to Carol Etherington. An assistant professor of nursing at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, Etherington was the first nurse to serve on the U.S. Board of Médecins sans Frontières (MSF USA/Doctors without Borders). The ceremony is expected to run approximately two hours.

**PRESS PASSES:** Press passes were mailed to NH media outlets earlier this month. 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. If you did not receive your press passes, contact Media Relations at 603-862-0045.

**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.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

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