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MEDIA ADVISORY: UNH Announces Second Largest Gift in Its History

**Establishes a new institute on families and
communities**

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DURHAM, N.H. -- University of New Hampshire President Joan Leitzel will announce the second largest gift in UNH's history on Tuesday, May 7, at 10:30 a.m. in the Sky Box Function Room, located on the second floor of the Whittemore Center. The announcement also marks a record-breaking year at the University of New Hampshire Foundation, which has raised \$31 million in just the past 10 months. It also is expected to close a \$100 million capital campaign in June, more than two years ahead of schedule.

Next Tuesday's event will announce the establishment of a new institute for families and communities, and will include partnerships among UNH's already nationally known centers, including the Family Research Laboratory, Justiceworks, the Institute on Disability, the Child Care and Development Center, and others, as well as state agencies. It is being created to address the new reality of families and women, work, and communities in the 21st century.

There will be many media interview opportunities at this event, including with Young Dawkins, III, president of the University of New Hampshire Foundation, who has led the capital campaign efforts; deans from the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Health and Human Services; directors and researchers from the institutes and centers who will be part of the new institute; and Don Shumway, New Hampshire commissioner of health and human services.

Reserved parking will be available for press in the Elliott Alumni Center parking lot, but you must call 862-1558 to reserve a space.

Thanks. Hope to see you there.

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