

UNH Speakers Bureau Offers Service to Community

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DURHAM, N.H. -- Want to spice up your next corporate seminar or club meeting? Consider inviting a member of the Speakers Bureau at the University of New Hampshire. Members of the UNH faculty, experts on a wide range of topics, are available to speak at no charge to schools, libraries, businesses and community organizations.

During the past year, the UNH Speakers Bureau has arranged more than 100 faculty engagements across the state on topics such as stress management, literature, business education, marine science, environmental policy, recreation, elder care and history.

For example, Diana Crowell, assistant professor of nursing, presented "Balancing Your Wheel of Life: A Tool for Assessing Your Personal and Professional Life Balance" to the American Association of Retired Persons, and at Liberty Mutual Insurance and the Mt. Washington Hotel. She has also spoken on the topic of transformational leadership to the Southern New Hampshire Chapter of International Management.

"Among my specialties in nursing are leadership skills and motivation and healthy life styles, issues that everyone faces," says Crowell. "I really enjoy teaching to all groups, and the challenge of talking to lay people, of meeting them where they are."

Other faculty speakers in recent months include UNH sociologist Ted Kirkpatrick, director of JusticeWorks, who spoke on the topic of juvenile crime to the Active Retirement Association, and Barry Rock, professor of botany, who spoke to Somersworth Middle School students about climate change.

Speakers are booked at least six weeks in advance, and

two speakers may be booked every six months at no charge. To request a list of topics available, or for more information, call the UNH Speakers Bureau, 862-0021, or e-mail speakers.bureau@unh.edu

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