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## Community Invited to Come Celebrate

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DURHAM, N.H. , The Boston-to-Portland inaugural run of The Downeaster passenger rail takes place Friday, Dec. 14, with a special stop at the University of New Hampshire Dairy Bar at 12:52 p.m.

The campus community is invited to attend a special ceremony beginning at 12:30 p.m., featuring the UNH Marching Band and the Oyster River High School Band; welcomes by President Joan Leitzel; Malcolm Sandberg, chair of the Durham Town Council; Ken Kruger, UNH student body president; and Allan Braun, assistant vice president for facilities.

In addition, there will be remarks by Gov. Jeanne Shaheen; Sandberg; George Warrington, president of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation; and Michael Murray, executive director of the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Following the ceremony, there will be free light refreshments, including special train cookies baked by Thompson School students, cocoa and hot cider.

On sale will be t-shirts, mugs, caps and pewter pins, as well as raffle tickets to win rail tickets.

The U.S. Post Office will be selling first-day-of-issue stamps with the train and date, and "passports" that can be stamped that day at each stop or stamped in Durham with each stop.

Wildcat Transit will be providing shuttle service

through campus and downtown to the railroad station.  
Call 862-1010 for more information.

Regular service begins the next day, Dec. 15. For  
schedules and rates, go to [www.thedowneaster.com](http://www.thedowneaster.com).

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