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DURHAM, N.H. – New England’s food vision is the subject of the next Science Café in Portsmouth, Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2013, at the Portsmouth Brewery. University of New Hampshire chief sustainability officer Tom Kelly and nutrition professor Joanne Burke, both involved in creating a sustainable food system for the region, are the speakers.

The Science Café, hosted by UNH faculty member Cameron Wake, provides a unique opportunity for Seacoast residents to feed their minds with contemporary science in the relaxed atmosphere of a pub. The discussions, which are free and open to all, are in the Portsmouth Brewery’s Jimmy LaPanza Lounge from 6 to 8 pm. Doors open at 5 p.m. for food and drinks.

Tom Kelly is the founding director of UNH’s Sustainability Institute and the UNH chief sustainability officer. Kelly collaborates with faculty, staff, students and others in the development of curriculum, operations, research and engagement policies, practices and initiatives related to UNH’s four educational initiatives in biodiversity, climate, culture, and food.

Joanne Burke, the Thomas W. Haas Professor in Sustainable Food Systems, is a clinical associate professor in nutrition and director of the dietetic internship program at UNH. Her areas of research focus on community nutrition with an emphasis on sustainable food systems, including nutrient analysis and food system capacity, as well as food access, health outcomes and social justice.

The Science Café is sponsored by NH EPSCoR, the University of New Hampshire and the Portsmouth Brewery.

NH EPSCoR is a program funded by the National Science Foundation to advance New Hampshire’s competitiveness in science and engineering. It’s critical for the state to broaden the capacity to conduct research; to support business, industry and society with a workforce educated in science, engineering and mathematics; and to improve communication between scientists and the public.

The Portsmouth Brewery is New Hampshire’s original brewpub serving award-winning beers and creative cuisine featuring locally-sourced ingredients in the heart of Market Square since 1991. We serve all types and are proud to enable folks to do good while drinking well through a number of philanthropic activities.

For further questions or to be added to a mailing list regarding future events, contact: Evelyn Jones NH EPSCoR at (603) 862-1804 or Evelyn.Jones@unh.edu.

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Tom Kelly, founding director of UNH's Sustainability Institute and the UNH chief sustainability officer, will speak at the Science Café Oct. 16 at Portsmouth Brewery.
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Caption: Joanne Burke, the Thomas W. Haas Professor in Sustainable Food Systems, clinical associate professor in nutrition and director of the dietetic internship program at UNH, will speak at the Science Café Oct. 16 at Portsmouth Brewery.
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