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DURHAM, NH. – The importance of assembling a group of employees who can effectively work together to carry out the corporate vision and drive business results in a family business will be the focus of the next University of New Hampshire Center for Family Business event Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009.

“Building Highly Effective Teams” will be held at the New England Center in Durham. The event begins at 8 a.m. with a continental breakfast, with the program following at 8:30 a.m. The presentation will provide concrete answers to questions about what typically goes wrong in teams and how to head­ff or address those problems. It will also present information about how to build an “emotionally intelligent team.”

The will be presented by Vanessa Druskat, UNH associate professor of organizational behavior and management.

“High­functioning teams make companies click. The ideal team merges individual talents and skills into one super­performing whole with capabilities that surpass those of even its most talented member,” Druskat says.

Please register by Thursday, Oct. 1, 2009. To register or become a member of the Center for Family Business, call Barbara Draper at 603-862-1107, or barbara.draper@unh.edu. The event is free for Center for Family Business members. The cost is $99 per person and $250 per family for nonmembers.

The Center for Family Business, under the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics and the UNH Graduate School, is sponsored by Mass Mutual Financial Group, Thomas Davidow Associates, Baker Newman & Noyes, Pierce Atwood, MPI Management Planning, Inc., and Optima Bank and Trust. It is a membership program to provide owners and managers of entrepreneurial businesses with an opportunity to exchange ideas and information and to discuss business challenges, concerns, and solutions. For more information, visit http://www.familybusiness.unh.edu/.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world­class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea, and space­grant university, UNH is the state's flagship public institution, enrolling 11,800 undergraduate and 2,400 graduate students.

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