

## People in the News



Dr. Susan Langlois

### Rivier University Welcomes New Dean of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Susan Langlois brings more than 20 years of higher education leadership to the position

NASHUA – Rivier University has appointed Dr. Susan Langlois as its new Dean of the Division of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Langlois comes to Rivier with extensive administrative experience in academic leadership, curricular innovation, experiential learning, and student academic services. As Dean, she will oversee academic programming for the natural and social sciences, humanities, and mathematics and computer science departments.

“Dr. Langlois’ areas of expertise include program development, institution accreditation, and the assessment of student learning outcomes,” says Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, President. “Her career reflects a commitment to the transformational role of the liberal arts in higher education. She is a strong and welcome addition to the Rivier University academic community.”

Prior to joining Rivier, Dr. Langlois served as the Dean of Academic Affairs and Student Services at Marian Court College where she acted as the chief academic officer and primary author on the institution’s NEASC accreditation self-study, and she instituted online peer-tutoring programs and a com-

prehensive evaluation instrument for student learning outcomes. Her distinguished career also includes key administrative and faculty appointments at Springfield College, Endicott College and Elms College.

“The University is fortunate to have the benefit of Dr. Langlois’ experience and collaborative spirit,” says Dr. Douglas Howard, Vice President for Academic Affairs. “As the University continues to expand its programs and online offerings, engaging a broader range of students, her focus on curricula and academic services that support positive, measurable student outcomes is invaluable.”

Dr. Langlois holds a Doctor of Physical Education (D.P.E.) degree from Springfield College. Her doctoral work includes the multidisciplinary areas of exercise physiology, motor learning, biomechanics, and the social science components of sport philosophy, sociology and psychology. Dr. Langlois also received her M.S. degree from Springfield College in Teaching and Administration and B.S. degree from the University of New Hampshire in Physical Education.



Kate Guerdat

### Kate Guerdat Appointed to Girl Scout Board of Directors

AMHERST – While she was growing up, Kate Guerdat gathered many fond memories from her years as a Daisy and Junior Girl Scout, and the camping trips she took with her mother, who served as their troop leader.

Today, Kate shares in the Girl Scout experience with her young daughter, Cadence, a Daisy Girl Scout in Amherst, NH. This past year, Kate even helped coordinate Girl Scout cookie sales for her daughter’s troop.

Earlier this summer, Kate, who is the associate vice president of academic affairs at Manchester Community College (MCC), was appointed to the board of directors of the Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains earlier this summer.

Professionally, she supports the college’s areas of institutional assessment and online learning, working directly with program areas in efforts to expand their reach.

She said serving on the Board of the Directors will allow her to work towards both organizations’ collective missions of preparing female graduates for a brighter future. “MCC has a mission of STEM proficiency,” Kate noted. “And the Girl Scouts has such a rich, multi-faceted history. I’m fortunate to now be working in a capacity where I can benefit both causes.”

Plans for a series of Girl Scout events at the Manchester campus are currently in the works, Kate noted. She’s also hoping to utilize her high-visibility to ultimately create some new opportunities for girls of various ages and interests. “I’d love to see more camps, as well as more year-round opportunities,” Kate said. “The community college environment lends a ready hand. We can offer more leaders and more training opportunities: a win-win for everyone.”

When Kate isn’t working, she enjoys spending time with her family and enjoying the great outdoors.



“Time and Space” by Jim Carlen

### Amherst Photographer’s Work Goes to International Exhibition

AMHERST – Photographs created by Jim Carlen of Carlen Images recently been accepted into the General and Loan Collections of Professional Photographers of America’s 2015 International Photographic Competition. Jim’s work will be on display at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Georgia Jan. 10-12, 2016. This International Photographic Exhibition is held in conjunction with Imaging USA, an annual convention and expo for professional photographers and several photographic associations.

A panel of 43 eminent jurors from across the United States selected the top photographs from more than 5,000 total submitted entries. Judged against a standard of excel-

lence, just over 2,100 images were selected for the General Collection and 1,085 (roughly 21 percent) were selected for the esteemed Loan Collection—the best of the best. The Loan Collection images will all be published in the much-anticipated “Loan Collection” book and over 200 selected General Collection images will be published in the “Showcase” book by Marathon Press.

Three of Jim’s images will be in the International Photographic Exhibition alongside other top photographic works from the competition and traveling and special invitational displays. These images constitute one of the world’s largest annual exhibits of professional photography gathered simultaneously under one roof.



Marsha Vander Mey

### Amherst Photographer Wins International Awards

AMHERST – Photographs created by Marsha Vander Mey of Harper Point Photography of Amherst have been accepted into the GENERAL and LOAN Collection of Professional Photographers of America’s (PPA) 2015 International Photographic Competition. Vander Mey’s work will be on display at the CNN Center in Atlanta GA, January 10-14, 2016.

This International Photographic Exhibition is held in conjunction with Imaging USA, an annual convention and expo for professional photographers and several photographic associations. Vander Mey’s photographs were judged against 30,000 entries world-wide. PPA’s Imaging Excellence Award recognizes those individuals who have obtained their master’s degree in

photography and continue to excel in their profession and succeed in PPA’s International Print Competition. To be eligible for this honor, an entrant must hold a Master of Photography or Master Artist degree from PPA and have a minimum of 13 images accepted into the PPA Loan Collection.

Marsha is a member of the Professional Photographers of America and is the President of New Hampshire Professional Photographers Association. She has won numerous awards for her work including the Fuji Masterpiece Award and was voted Best Photographer of the Souhegan Region. Her work has been published in numerous publications and been shown in International Exhibitions.

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Bill Wichman with Amherst Selectmen Tom Grella, Dwight Brew, Reed Panasi and HSA president, Dave Clark.

Speaking on behalf of the board, Dwight Brew, chairman listed the many ways Bill has served his town. He was a member of the Amherst Storm Water Committee, the Open Space Committee, the Solid Waste Committee, the Land Trust, the Conservation Commission, and the Historical Society. He co-authored the Conservation Commission Walk Book and was treasurer of the Conservation Commission. He built several bridges on conservation land, helped in building the Pond Parish board walk and maintaining miles of conservation trails.

In a written statement titled “Editor’s Valediction”, Bill wrote, “Once

again, age and sickness have overtaken the editor, and volume XLIX is my last. I will miss deliberating with the board, but won’t miss the bimonthly chores or entering copy one finger at a time.” He continued, “The future of the newsletter has been an active concern of the board recently. The possibilities range from facelift to radical redesign, to moving online.”

The BOS and the members of the Historical Society expressed their genuine appreciation for everything Bill has done over the years and Mr. Clark wished Bill and his wife Blanche, the very best as Bill steps down from his position.