

UNH Cooperative Extension Specialists and Areas of Expertise

Agricultural Resources

Alan Eaton, Integrated Pest Management (Spaulding 862-1734)

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- Integrated Pest Management programs for NH growers
- Food safety information and alerts

Peter Erickson, Dairy (Ritzman Lab 862-1909)

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- Dairy herd management, dairy cattle nutrition, and applied research
- Technical assistance with management intensive grazing for dairy and livestock farms

Paul Fisher, Floriculture (Spaulding 862-4525)

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- Research and support of production practices for greenhouse crops

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- Sustainable horticulture production

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- Tree fruit

Michael Lunak, Dairy (located in Grafton Cty. Office - 787-6944)

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- Dairy herd management
- Agricultural business management

Catherine Neal, Ornamental Horticulture (Spaulding 862-3208)

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- Research and support of production practices for ornamental horticulture
- Landscape uses of woody ornamentals and nursery crops

John Porter, Dairy (located in Merrimack Cty. Office 225-5505)

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- Dairy management & herd health, milking equipment (including goats)
- Labor management & farm structures

John Roberts, Turf (Spaulding 862-3202)

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- Research and support of low maintenance turf management practices for golf courses and recreational turf
- Practical research to reduce winter injury on turf

Michael Sciabarrasi, Agricultural Business Management (James - 862-3234)

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- Business planning for agricultural and natural resource firms
- Financial management education for farms and family businesses
- Computer decision software and applications in agricultural management and marketing

Cheryl Smith, Plant Health (Spaulding 862-3841)

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- Plant health information and educational programs for NH's commercial agricultural community and home horticulturists
- Diagnostic services to commercial producers, arborists, landscapers, and home horticulturists through the UNH Plant Diagnostic Lab

Stan Swier, Entomology (Spaulding 862-1733)

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- Pesticide safety education and pesticide applicator certification and recertification
- Integrated pest management programs and sustainable strategies for turf, ornamentals, and forestry

Community Development

Charlie French, Community and Economic Development (James 862-0316)

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- Community and economic development techniques
- Strategic planning and community-based decision making
- Technical assistance with tourism development, e-commerce, and surveys/needs assessments

Family and Consumer Resources

Emily Douglas, Family Education and Policy (Petee 862-7008)

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- Parenting education and child care issues
- Research-based education and information for single parent families
- Research on families of divorce
- Social policies to improve the life of divorce families

Colette Janson-Sand, Food and Nutrition (Family Nutrition Center 862-1723)

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- Nutrition in health
- Healthy choices in nutritional behavior change
- Childhood obesity

Suzann Enzian Knight, Family Resource Management (Petee 862-0092)

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- Financial management for individuals and families
- Welfare to work education

Catherine Violette, Food and Nutrition (Kendall 862-2496)

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- Current research findings into nutrition and food safety education programs

Forestry and Wildlife Resources

Karen Bennett, Forest Resources (Nesmith 862-4861)

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- Forest stewardship information and educational programs for landowners, foresters, communities
- Professional development opportunities for foresters and other natural resource professionals

Sarah Smith, Forest Industry (Nesmith 862-2647)

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- Technical and educational information and assistance to NH's forest industry and to local and state level economic development practitioners about forest industries and expansion opportunities
- Coordinates educational component of NH Timber Harvesting Councils' Professional Logger Program

Darrel Covell, Wildlife (Nesmith 862-3594)

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- Provides education to natural resource professionals, landowners and communities about protecting and enhancing wildlife habitat
- Natural resources volunteer program, called "Coverts", training and public service through locally based volunteers

4-H Youth Development

Charlotte Cross, 4-H Youth Development (Petee 862-2495)

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- Risk and protective factors at the youth, family & community level associated with youth development

Paula Gregory, 4-H Youth Development (Moiles House 862-2909)

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- Comprehensive and sustainable community-based programs addressing critical issues for at-risk children, youth and families
- Youth entrepreneurship and workforce preparation

Lisa Townson, 4-H Youth Development (Equine Center 862-1031)

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- 4-H youth development programming through agriculture, science & technology and natural resources projects
- Computer and Internet training for youth and youth leaders

[Sea Grant & Water Resources](#)

Pingguo He, Fishing Gear Technology (Morse Hall 862-3154)

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- Conservation fishing gear technology and development
- Impacts of fishing gear on the marine environment
- Fish behavior around fishing gear

Ken LaValley, Commercial Fishing Gear Technology (Nesmith 862-4343)

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- Commercial fishing gear
- Commercial fishing safety
- Collaborative research between scientists and fishermen

Frank Mitchell, Land and Water Conservation (Nesmith 862-1067)

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- Water supply protection, wetland and surface water issues, water quality monitoring
- Natural resource conservation for communities

J-J Newman, Aquaculture (Kingman Farm 749-1565)

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- Freshwater aquaculture, pond management and algae/weed control issues
- Training, educational materials and coordinated efforts between aquaculturists, university researchers and state agencies

Julia Peterson, Water Resources (Kingman Farm 749-1565)

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- Zebra mussels and Atlantic salmon restoration
- Estuarine water quality and technology to mitigate water pollution

Jeff Schloss, Water Resources and NH Lakes Lay Monitoring Program (Nesmith 862-3848)

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- Watershed protection and stewardship; non-point source pollution detection and mitigation; wellhead protection
- Cost-effective water quality and watershed monitoring protocols for citizens, monitors and students
- Data management, analysis, interpretation and presentation

Mark Wiley, Marine Education (Kingman Farm 749-1565)

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- Marine and coastal environmental programs
- Coastal policy issues
- Marine science education

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