

Gorman Emeriti Brunch, October 15, 2016

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Normand (Norm) Viger established a reputation as a vigorous leader and achiever in teaching graphics in the Department of General Engineering. He later taught several courses in Engineering Technology to prepare students for their short and long-term careers in engineering and technical fields. Norm was a great teacher and was always helpful, understanding and thought-full in teaching and helping students. He was a great friend and in his professional field, there is no doubt that his achievements have brought much credit and recognition to the University of Maine. Enjoy your Emeriti Faculty Status Norm. **Well Done.**

Claude Z. Westfall

Prof. Emeritus, General Engineering



I send my hearty congratulations to Norm for a distinguished career and wish him all the best. On the roast side of things, I see that his picture in the invitation email would indicate that he has not aged like the rest of us have. Does he use anti-aging creams or botox?

Best wishes,

Bill (Riviere)

'65, '67G ME



While a graduate student in 1968-1969 I taught in the Department of General Engineering under Matthew McNeary. Norm had the office across the hall from me on the second floor of East Annex. I always enjoyed his stories about his family, particularly one where he was horseback riding with his baby in his arms. Extremely funny!

Bob Paiement



What I most admire in Norm is his enthusiasm. The first time I really met Norm was in about 1987. There was this new-fangled invention called “Computer Aided Drafting”. Our expert was Norm. He put on a short course to educate the young faculty, i.e., me, as well as some of the more senior faculty. The manual for the program - CADKey - was at least three inches thick. Norm was able to take this monstrosity and give us very practical guidance on using the program. However, what I most remember was Norm’s enthusiasm for the potential of CAD.

In the times I seen Norm after his retirement, enthusiasm has always been in evidence. When he put an addition on his house in Plymouth - he couldn’t wait to show me pictures of the construction process. He described the major design decisions, expounded on the great work the contractor did and told me about the parts of the work he did himself.

Years later, I saw Norm at the Irving Station in Newport. He had his truck and flatbed trailer. On the trailer was a used riding lawnmower. In fact, this looked to me like the largest zero-

radius-turn mower that I've ever seen. It probably cut a six-foot wide swath. Well, Norm had gotten a great deal on this mower and him as proud as a father showing off his new child. Norm's enthusiasm was in full evidence.

Dana Humphrey





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Physics



John R. Lyman
2005 - No Jokes Required
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Professor Emeritus
Electrical Engineering



Karl S. Webster
2007 - Super Engineer
Professor Emeritus
Mechanical Engineering
Technology



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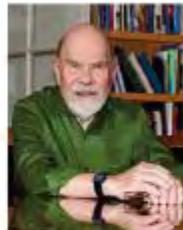
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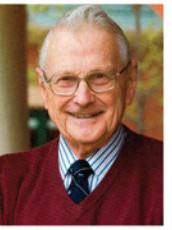
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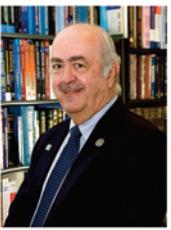
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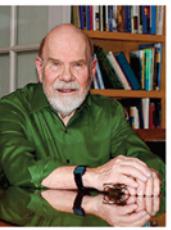
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Saturday, October 15, 2016

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We thank you for joining with us today to recognize, roast and celebrate Norman J. Viger for his service and dedication to the University of Maine and to the students of the College of Engineering.

Dana N. Humphrey, Ph.D., P.E.
Dean, College of Engineering
University of Maine Saunders Professor
of Engineering Leadership
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Karen Horton
MET Program Coordinator,
Professor, Mechanical Engineering Technology

Norman J. Viger
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*Others are welcome to say
a few words at this time.*