



# Maple-Leaf News

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## As Good as Gold...Through The Years

In 1964, two friends, Ernie Dubois and Paul St. Laurent, founded Maple-Leaf Construction as a small local builder serving the commercial and industrial markets. Within the first few months, as the business began to expand, they hired their first employee, 21-year-old Ron Marois.

Today, as our company approaches our 46th year in business, we are proud, albeit a bit sad also, to announce Ron's retirement after 45 years of dedicated service. Starting out as a carpenter during the early years, when Maple-Leaf focused on concrete foundation construction, Ron has worked his way up through the ranks over his long tenure.

As the founders' duties evolved into overseeing the financial and client aspects of the business, Ron began running the field operations, handling sometimes upwards of 75 personnel plus numerous pieces of equipment, as well as addressing daily management responsibilities.

During the following ten years, Ron supervised the day-to-day operations, and as the firm continued to grow, his job evolved into general superintendent. While visiting job sites, handling safety inspections and making sure things ran smoothly, along with his willingness to



Ron Marois, sporting a full head of dark hair, stands by a company Jeep truck in 1964.

sometimes work outside "normal" working hours, Ron's professional and friendly demeanor came in handy.

Throughout the boom years of the '80s and as roles changed in the industry, Ron's customer contacts remained vital. He continued to lead Maple-Leaf's commitment to provide quality construction by maintaining the relationships he established through the years with companies such as Nashua Corporation, W.R. Grace, Teradyne and Sanders Associates, among others.

As in any industry, the number of projects grew less as the size of the projects increased. Ron's responsibilities shifted to more of project management/estimating, while still maintaining his relationship with



Ron at a recent staff meeting.

the same clientele. This is the role he has continued to carry out all the way through his retirement, effective April 1, 2010.

According to Maple-Leaf president Loren Dubois, "Working with Ron over the last 29 years, I have seen firsthand the key role Ron has played in the success of the firm. His smile, personality and talent will be sorely missed."

In his retirement years, we expect that Ron will enjoy his intermittent travels to warmer climates, as well as spend more time with this wife of 50 years, Doris, in addition to his six children, 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

From all of us here at Maple-Leaf, and on behalf of the countless clients through the years, we all wish Ron the best in his golden years. And thank you for another job well done!



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**Project Profile**

# Daniel Webster Hall

## Daniel Webster College

Nashua, N.H.

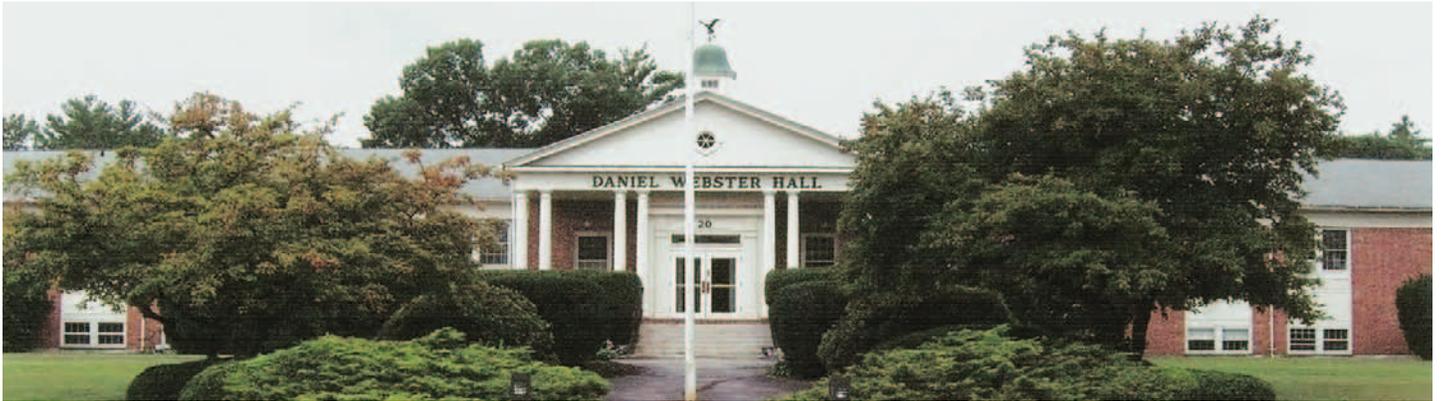
*Owner:* Daniel Webster College, a wholly-owned subsidiary of ITT Technical Institute.

*Scope of Work:* Interior renovation of the entire 27,600-square-foot, two-story facility, including complete bathroom renovations, full interior painting, new ceilings and flooring throughout, lobby renovations and required code upgrades.

*Timeline:* Completed on-time and under budget in 10 weeks.



*Daniel Webster Hall's renovated lobby, Daniel Webster College, Nashua, N.H.*



*An exterior view of Daniel Webster Hall, recently acquired by ITT Technical Institute.*



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