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## **Miss New Hampshire Gets the Inside Scoop**

**Manchester, NH, October 20, 2007** Miss New Hampshire 2007 is used to donning her crown and heels and appearing at statewide events and fundraisers. Today she was more than just Miss New Hampshire. She was Rachel Barker, an aspiring public relations representative on behalf of Bedford PR and marketing agency Varuna Design & Advertising on the set of Extreme Makeover Home Edition in Manchester.

Rachel spent the morning incognito interviewing the design team and neighborhood residents around the build site and getting the story. She canvassed the site, meeting people along the way and getting their thoughts and feelings on all that was going on in their otherwise quiet neighborhood.

She had a chance to catch up to a couple members of the design team for the ABC show including Paul DiMeo and Michael Moloney. Both designers expressed their particular affections for New England citing the fall season as a bonus to their arrival.

"I feel so fortunate to be in New Hampshire during this time of year. I don't get to see the foliage in Los Angeles", Michael says. He talks about the closeness of New Hampshire when he says, "Being a small state, you feel a tighter sense of community".

Paul DiMeo, another designer on the team, says what drives him most in these pressing deadlines is "the opportunity to work closely with folks overcoming disability – It's phenomenal that even when so much is taken away, the human spirit soars".

Rachel resides in Amherst with her parents, Deborah and Keith Barker. She has two brothers, Christopher, 22 and Jonathan, 14.

Rachel's career ambition is to work in public relations for an Arts Education organization. Her platform is "The Importance of Fine Arts Education in Public Schools." She plans to devote her year of service to the speaking about and promoting awareness of the importance of Fine Arts Education in public schools.

For more information on *Extreme Makeover Home Edition* in New Hampshire, or to find out how you can help, visit [www.unitebuildchange.com](http://www.unitebuildchange.com)

### **About *Extreme Makeover Home Edition***

*Extreme Makeover Home Edition*, which has won back-to-back Emmy Awards as Best Reality Program (non-competitive), is in its 5th season on ABC. The program is produced by Endemol USA, a division of Endemol Holding. Denise Cramsey is the executive producer; and David Goldberg is the president of Endemol USA. The show airs "Sundays 8/7c on ABC". For more information, visit <http://abc.go.com/primetime/xtremehome/>.

