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## **Gavitt celebrates 20 years with DiPrete Engineering; Bradley, Prive, DeMers, Osgood, Sutter and Sweet also recognized**

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Senior survey project manager, Michael Gavitt, marked 20 years with DiPrete Engineering on May 22. Gavitt has been with the firm since finishing up his bachelor's in civil engineering from URI.

"I started working with DiPrete the day after graduation," said Gavitt, while taking courses alongside VP Chris Duhamel, who was working on his master's degree at the time. Duhamel suggested he come work for DiPrete, and 20 years later he's still here.

Other employees celebrating milestone anniversaries with the company:

- \* 15 Years - Leonard Bradley, Eric Prive, and Kevin DeMers; and
- \* 10 Years - Audie Osgood, Christian Sutter, and Jennifer Sweet.

"Land surveying never gets boring," Gavitt said. "I'm always finding new challenges to take on and new areas in which to achieve. Learning new things and solving new problems makes the work engaging and rewarding. Every project is different. I like when we get projects that are out of the ordinary."

One project of note was the Rhode Island sewer system upgrades in 2013, which required quality-control checks and confined-space training for crews.

"Crew members were going into pipes that were about 30 feet underground," said Gavitt. "We also worked on a project in 2007 on a new Instrument Landing System at T.F. Green airport that would help pilots with landing approaches. Crews were working on the side of the runway doing stakeouts to precise monitoring points for the system, which was also very unique for DiPrete."

"There has been a big push on jobs in Massachusetts lately, as well," he said. "The firm is also looking further north to New Hampshire. In April, I passed the test to be a licensed land surveyor in the Granite State. The work at DiPrete is ever-evolving."

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