

## BROMMEL-WAMBACH DETERMINATION AGAINST ALL ODDS SCHOLARSHIP

Timothy Wambach legacy families (a family with two or more graduates). NEIU, and his sister graduated from NEIU as well. Tim majored in Communication with a minor in Social Work.

Wambach created the Keep on Keeping On Foundation, a non-profit organization whose goals include alleviating the enormous monetary costs of living with a physical disability. He is also one of the lead actors in the two-barriers and living with disabilities.

The show grew out of a relationship that began between Wambach and Mike Berkson, a 22 year-old college student living with cerebral palsy. In 2002, Wambach signed on as an aide to help Berkson navigate elementary school. Today the show helps to dispel myths about cerebral palsy and other disabilities and encourages others to overcome whatever obstacles they face in their lives. Wambach

over 3,000 people since 2010.

Wambach, who has struggled with depression, understands obstacles and disabilities. The depression, which at times had him contemplating suicide, led him to drop out of college at the age

Today his main aspiration is to educate and empower others to make a difference.

While studying speech and communication (now Communication, Media and Theatre), Wambach met Professor Emeritus Bernard J. Brommel, who taught several of his communication classes. The