

Milford funnyman hopes to keep them laughing

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It's not easy being a conservative comedian working in a state as blue as Massachusetts, but Milford's Karl Zahn has generated enough of a buzz to earn appearances on national television.

Zahn, host of the conservative talk show "Crosswinds" on WSMN-1590 in Nashua, has been invited to make his second appearance on Fox New Channel's "Red Eye with Greg Gutfeld," which will air on Saturday, March 19.

He is a conservative come-



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Milford's Karl Zahn.

dian who regularly works in the Boston area.

"We'll be taping the appearance on Friday, March 18," said Zahn. "Red Eye is Fox News' answer to 'Politically Incorrect,' or late night television. I made an appearance on the show before. Now they've asked me back."

Zahn is a second-generation New Hampshire native and a 30-year small-business owner who has now made a name for himself as a conservative comedian.

"My real background is in the building and construction industries," said Zahn.

"People are always interested to hear about home when they find out I'm from New Hamp-

shire. I try to be a good steward of the state. New Hampshire has produced a lot of comedic talent. I think it's one of the best-kept secrets in the industry, but hopefully that will change."

Zahn credits national comedian and talk show host Dennis Miller with opening the door to his major television appearances.

"I have always considered him a mentor of mine when it comes to comedy," said Zahn. "I would always call in to his radio talk show, and I guess somehow he caught wind of the fact that I was a standup comedian. When he came to New York for a

broadcast, I was invited to come in, and I basically co-hosted with him for about an hour.

Now whenever he comes to New York, I usually get invited to come in and host with him.

Can Zahn see himself one day hosting a television talk show of his own?

"In my dreams I certainly can," said Zahn.

"My dream situation would be to someday get a full-time radio job and still be able to do my comedy," said Zahn.

"Crosswinds with Karl Zahn" can be heard on WSMN-AM 1590 in Nashua each Sunday from 11 a.m. to noon.

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