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**"In the arena of human life the honors and rewards fall to those who show their good qualities in action."
-Aristotle**

Check out this week's announcements !!!

Now Accepting Nominations and Applications for Student Life Awards 2007

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to nominate fellow students or registered student organizations for one or more of the 2007 Student Life Awards at the University of Connecticut. These awards have been developed to recognize student contribution to, and leadership of the University community and beyond. Many awards have been specifically designed to recognize the contributions of undergraduate students at the Storrs campus, and may include a monetary reward. For Award Descriptions and On-Line Nomination Material go to www.leadership.uconn.edu (click on Student Life Awards). Nominations must be received by March 16, 2007. Recipients will be recognized in April during Student Leadership Recognition Week!



Featured Student Organization of the Week: Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority, Inc.

Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority, Inc. was founded as the first Multicultural Greek Letter Society in the nation. Their goals include achieving academic excellence, uniting all women, and remaining active in the university and community. This organization currently holds the highest GPA of Greek organizations or the UConn campus. Mu Sigma Upsilon's



commitment to diversity is evident in many ways. One is through the composition of the organization. MSU sisters come from almost every cultural background, cultural mix, and walk of life that you can imagine. The

chapter currently has undergraduate sisters of Filipina, Puerto Rican, and Colombian ethnicities. What distinguishes MSU as a multicultural organization is their commitment to multicultural programming. Events this semester include:

- 1st Ladies Night (Interest meeting): Tuesday,

USG Funding Info Sessions (mandatory for club officer to attend each semester):

The first Funding Informational Workshops were on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 and Wednesday January 24, 2007 from 6:00p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Biophysics Building (BSP) Room 130. Because attending this workshop is a pre-requisite for requesting funding during a particular semester, we will have two workshops, one at the beginning and the second in the middle of the semester. The mid-semester workshop will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2007 from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m., venue TBD. Funding application deadlines and sessions are as follows:

Deadlines:

2/26/07 for events occurring or items needed on or after 3/14/07
3/26/07 for events occurring or items needed on or after 4/11/07
4/23/07 for events occurring or items needed during the first month of the Fall 07 semester.

*Application must be submitted online by 4p.m. in addition to physically submitting all supporting documentation to the USG office (SU Room 219 by 4p.m. as well).

Sessions:

*Times slots will be emailed to club representatives after applications are received.

2/19/07 SU Room 304

3/14/07 SU Room 304

4/11/07 SU Room 304

*Please see USG website for additional info and stop Student Union Room 219 for Info Packets. Inquiries may be sent to Fundingboard@yahoo.com

Accepting Nominations for the 2007 CT Higher Education Awards

Attention All Storrs Students, Faculty & Staff:

Each year, the Connecticut Commission for Community Service and the Connecticut Department of Higher Education honors members of the higher education institutions who make significant contributions to their communities through service. The 2007 award nominees will be recognized for service completed during the Spring 2006 and Fall 2006 semesters.

The three award categories are (1) individual students, (2) student groups, and (3) a special award which honors faculty and staff. The nomination deadline for the University of Connecticut (Storrs Campus) is midnight on Sunday, February 21st. A committee of students, faculty & staff will select the applications to represent the campus in the statewide selection process.

For more information about the awards including the nomination form, please visit http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/co_awards.html

Volunteers Needed! Check Out Spring 2007 Community Service Days!

Community Service Days are designed so that individual students and student organizations can participate in a service activity that is convenient and meets their interests. Past activities have included serving meals at a soup kitchen, planting and cleaning community gardens, or doing recreational and social activities with the elderly. An average of 8 Service Days

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Feb. 13 at 7p.m. at the Asian American Cultural Center
- 2ndLadies Night (Interest meeting): Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 7p.m. at the Asian American Cultural Center
- 3rdLadies Night (Interest meeting): Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 7p.m. at the Asian American Cultural Center
- "Exploring the Myths...Border Angels and the Truth about the Migrant Community." Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 4:30pm at the Puerto Rican and Latin American Cultural Center.
- The Significance of Black Feminism: Thursday, March 15 at 7p.m. at the Women's Center.
- "Exploring the Myths... Machismo": Tuesday, Apr. 10 at 4:30p.m. at the Puerto Rican and Latin American Cultural Center.
For more information please contact Karen Jose at akj.msu@gmail.com.

Deadline for the next issue of *The Currents*

The next issue of *The Currents* will be sent out on Monday, February 19. Please have all information for the inclusion of this issue sent to Connie at student0516@ad.uconn.edu by noon on Friday, February 16th

are offered each semester, with 3 to 5 different service activities to choose from on each day. Without the help of volunteers, many non-profit agencies will not be able to complete their vital projects. Sign up now to get involved! More info at http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/co_csd.php

Showcase Your Organization!

The Currents will be highlighting student organizations in the "Featured Organization" section appearing in the upcoming issues. This section will include information about the organization's mission statement, goals, members, upcoming events, honors, awards, updates, and any photos. If you would like to feature your organization in *The Currents* please send information to student0516@ad.uconn.edu.

***The Currents* Now on the Web!**

From the Involvement Office Website (www.getinvolved.uconn.edu) you can access *The Currents* by clicking on the "Student Organizations Support" link on the right, then clicking on "The Currents- Organization Newsletter" link on the right. You can directly access *The Currents* at the following link: http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/inv_newsletter.html.