



The Currents

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"Motivation is everything. You can do the work of two people, but you can't be two people. Instead, you have to inspire the next guy down the line and get him to inspire his people."

– Lee Iacocca

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Check out this week's announcements !!!

Looking for: Peer Leadership Instructors

Peer Leadership Instructors (PLIs) co-instruct a 1-credit FYE Leadership seminar (meets on Wednesdays), and participate in a class (meets on Fridays) to enhance their own leadership development. PLIs receive 3 credits for completing the program. This is a great opportunity for students to practice public-speaking and be in front of a class teaching other undergraduates. The information is available online at www.leadership.uconn.edu in the "Peer Leadership Instructors" section.



UConn Violence Against Women Prevention Program Looking for Summer Orientation Facilitators!

WHAT: VAWPP Summer Orientation staff facilitate 1-hour, small group, interactive educational sessions about sexual consent and power and control in relationships for incoming first-year students.

WHO: We are looking for an articulate, engaged and diverse group of individuals who are dedicated to creating a community of respect at UConn, and who are willing to challenge their peers on these issues. We provide the training (see below).

WHEN: Time commitment is approximately 4 hours per week, plus training (see mandatory training below). Sessions are conducted at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on the following dates: May, 22, 25, 30; June 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29; July 3. You will be paid approximately \$20 per session. We would like facilitators to commit to as many sessions as possible, but we will consider applicants who can only cover some of the sessions.

Applications are DUE 4/16/07 and are available on-line at www.womenscenter.uconn.edu. They should be submitted in hardcopy to the Women's Center.

Mandatory Training: Monday, May 14, Tuesday, May 15th. 9:00-5:00, UConn Women's Center.

For more information please view the website at www.womenscenter.uconn.edu or contact Elizabeth Cracco at Elizabeth.cracco@uconn.edu

Student Leader Applications Now Available!

Get involved with Community Outreach by becoming a student leader for the 07' – 08' school year! Positions are available for Program Directors, Assistant Program Directors, Site Managers, Coordinators and Assistant Coordinators. Positions span service opportunities from working with children and adolescents in tutoring and mentoring to public relations and transportation to soup kitchens and nursing homes. Applications are due to Student Activities, Room 302 of the Student Union by March 21, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. To find out more information please visit www.volunteer.uconn.edu

Featured Student Organization Advisor of the Week

Think your advisor is doing a great job? Want to thank him/her for all of their hard work and dedication? Well then feature your advisor in *The Currents*!!! It's easy, just e-mail student0516@ad.uconn.edu with you advisor's e-mail address and name. Your advisor will be sent an e-mail stating that he/she has been nominated to be the Featured Student Organization Advisor of the Week. The e-mail will include a quick questionnaire that the Advisor can fill out and e-mail back.

It's a quick simple way to say Thanks and recognize your advisor.

Deadline for the next issue of *The Currents*

The next issue of *The Currents* will be sent out on Monday, March 26. Please have all information for the inclusion of this issue sent to Connie at student0516@ad.uconn.edu by noon on Friday, March 23.

Worldfest 2007

UConn Worldfest 2007 will be held on Saturday March 24, 2007 in the University's Student Union Ballroom 3rd Floor, Room 330-331. The Department of International Services and Programs, the International Relations Association, the Student Union Board of Governors and the Office of International Affairs are sponsoring this event. Worldfest 2007 will begin at noon and end at 6:00pm. Highlights of the festival include performances from the UConn Taiko, B.A.I.L.E, Echo Uganda, Uconn Surya, Capoeira, Albanian dance, Lebanese dance, African Student Association dance, Portuguese dance performance as well as various other groups. Attendees can sample food and drinks from around the world! There will be African, European, Latin American, Mediterranean, Caribbean, Asian, Middle East, and American delicatessens to enjoy. Many UConn international student organizations will have exhibits as well.

We hope you can join us this year to celebrate our rich cultural diversity and to show your support to our international community. Please contact 486-3855 if you have any further questions. This is an educational experience for all ages. Everyone is welcome. Admission is free of charge. Dining Services student meal swipes and/or small fee will be charged for food and beverages.

UConn Habitat for Humanity Needs Your Help!

Habitat for Humanity is building the Husky House, a home for a family in the community. To help raise money for this project, a Pasta Dinner is being held on Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 6:00p.m. in the St. Thomas Aquinas Student Center (the building to the left of the chapel, 46 North Eagleville Road, Storrs, CT 06268). Tickets are: \$5 for students, \$10 for individuals, \$15 per couple, and \$25 per family. If you would like to attend or if you would like to make a donation, please email habitatpasta@hotmail.com. If you are interested in helping out at the event, please attend Habitat for Humanity meetings on Mondays at 9:00PM in the Student Union Room 303 or send an e-mail.



UConn Club Sports Council 3rd Annual 5K Fun Run!

The Fun Run was started as a benefit for Marc Codeere, a UConn Student and men's Rugby player who incurred life threatening injuries in a drunk driving accident. Marc, now paralyzed is still facing tremendous hospital and rehabilitation expenses. Please help the UConn Club Sports Council raise money to benefit these two worthy causes in the fight against drunk driving. The Fun Run will be on April 26th at 10:00am. You can register in advance at www.clubsports.uconn.edu for \$15, or you can register the day of the event at 9:00a.m for \$18. The Fun Run will begin and end at Fairfield Way. If you have any questions please contact Kate Durant at 486-1856.

Student Union Reservations

The Student Union is instituting a new policy for room reservations for next year (2007-2008). The new policy is described at: <http://www.studentunion.uconn.edu/>.

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 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.

Have a Great Week!