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**"Never look down on anybody unless you're helping him up."
Jesse Jackson**

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Check out this week's announcements !!!

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.

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 TODAY 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

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.

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.

Deadline for the next issue of The Currents

The next issue of *The Currents* will be sent out on Monday, April 23. Please have all information for the inclusion of this issue sent to Connie at student0516@ad.uconn.edu by noon on Friday, April 20.

Congratulations to some of our 2007 Student Life Awards Winners!

Student Organization Advocacy Award: A Minor

Husky Pride Award: Agents of Improv

Program of the Year Award: HEART Program

Organization Community Service Award: Student Athlete Advisory Committee

Outstanding Graduate Assistant Award: Julie Silverstein

Matthew B. Schechter Scholarship: Amy Vanheuverzwyn

Spirer/ Dueker Humanitarian Achievement Award: Bethany Lepine

Cohen Scholarship for Enhancing Community: Jaclyn Vanase

Student Employee of the Year Award: Justin Torniero

Peer Educators of the Year:

Samantha Sherwood
Jacqueline Guzman
Jaclyn Vanase
Ross Moran
Alpa Patel

Keep up the great work!



Featured Student Organization: National Organization for Women (NOW)

National Organization for Women (NOW) invites all students without regard to gender, ethnicity, religion, differing abilities, economic class, or sexual orientation to attend meetings (Mondays 7:30p.m. and Fridays 5:00p.m. in the Women's Center Conference Room, 4th floor of the Student Union). Students in NOW are interested in women's human rights: they discuss issues such as sexual harassment on campus, the media, pornography/prostitution/violence against women, reproductive rights, and gender role socialization. At NOW meetings, you will not be labeled a feminazi or "too serious" for being passionately concerned about discrimination against women. NOW is meant to be a supportive environment (for feminists in particular) who feel isolated or misunderstood because of their political beliefs. Students who want to end discrimination against women in our school (sexism within the college setting) are highly encouraged to join.

Featured Student Organization Advisor of the Week: Leo Lachut

Leo is a Counselor for Student Support Services. He currently advises Mu Sigma Upsilon. He states that the most rewarding part of advising this student organization is working with and helping the students achieve their goals. Leo says that the students "are extremely creative and take their organizational responsibilities very seriously." Leo highly recommends that other staff members advise student groups, as it helps faculty feel more connected to the university students. Students say that Leo has helped them in several ways, such as facilitating workshops, giving them valuable advice and supporting Mu Sigma Upsilon in their endeavors. Keep up the great work Leo!



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