



# The Currents

A Newsletter for Student Organizations

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**"What is important is to keep learning, to enjoy challenge, and to tolerate ambiguity. In the end there are no certain answers."**  
Martina Horner

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## Check out this week's announcements !!!

### Jump Into Jumpstart

Jumpstart gives college students the opportunity to get an in-depth and meaningful experience while changing the life of a preschool child.



Volunteers work in a closeknit team, have the potential to earn work study, and are eligible for an additional \$1000 Americorps education award at the completion of their term of service. Get involved Today! To learn more please visit [http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/co\\_jumpstart.html](http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/co_jumpstart.html)

### Kaplan Seminar on Campus!

The Law & Business Society will be hosting a Kaplan Seminar on Monday, September 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the School of Business, Room 218. Kaplan will be presenting a tutorial on how to successfully take the LSAT as well as how to get accepted into Law School. All majors are welcome! Any questions can be sent to [uconnlawsociety@gmail.com](mailto:uconnlawsociety@gmail.com)

### Be Part of Homecoming This Year!

Homecoming is fast approaching and it is sure to be another great year! Homecoming is a great way to promote your club to the larger student body and to draw in new members!!! The goal for Homecoming is to maximize participation of the non-fee funded organizations, and it is encouraged that all clubs/organizations, whether you have participated before or not, come out and join in the festivities to promote school spirit for the entire campus. SUBOG would like to invite all organizations to come check it out and get involved. SUBOG is looking to make this Homecoming the best one UConn has seen! For more information on how to get involved please contact [laura.sharpe@huskymail.uconn.edu](mailto:laura.sharpe@huskymail.uconn.edu)

### Volunteer for the Children's Book Fair

Want to spend two or three hours with children and adults who love books?

If so, volunteer to help with the 16th annual Connecticut Children's Book Fair! The fair will be held on Saturday, November 10th & Sunday, November 11th from 9:45 a.m.-5:00 p.m. each day in the Rome Commons Ballroom. Last year almost 4,000 people showed up to hear famous children's book authors and illustrators tell stories and sign books. To find out how you can help or to receive more information visit [www.bookfair.uconn.edu](http://www.bookfair.uconn.edu).

### Featured Student Organization of the Week: HuskyTHON

Founded in 1998 by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, HuskyTHON has become the premiere philanthropy event at UConn. The event raises money for the Connecticut Children's Medical Center and Children's Miracle Network.



HuskyTHON is the only 100% student run philanthropy of it's kind. For 18 hours, UConn students dance and stay on their feet, for the goal of raising funds. Their small sacrifice has raised over \$100,000 for CCMC!

### Deadline for the next issue of The Currents

The next issue of *The Currents* will be sent out on Friday, September 28th. Please have all inclusions for the next issue sent to Connie at [student0516@ad.uconn.edu](mailto:student0516@ad.uconn.edu) by noon on Thursday, September 27th.

### SOLID Information!

Student leaders can view their organization's status at [www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/docs/solid/SOLID\\_OrganizationStatus.pdf](http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/docs/solid/SOLID_OrganizationStatus.pdf) or contact the Involvement Office at (860)486-6588 (Student Union 302). Complete information about SOLID can be found at [www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/SOLID](http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/SOLID). Please be sure to complete the SOLID program requirements so that your organization may be able to take advantage of the various benefits associated with being a registered student organization.



### Undergraduate Student Government Funding Board—Remaining Funding Sessions For the Month

Monday, September 24th

Application deadlines are Monday one week prior to the funding session (unless otherwise noted). Online application system at <http://usg.uconn.edu/necs/newt/index.php>



### Don't Miss the Opportunity to Study Abroad

Uconn's Office of Study Abroad offers over 200 study abroad programs in 65 countries on six continents. You can study as far away as Singapore or as close as Mexico, in a small village in the desert or on a large ship at sea. You might take courses at a university in Ireland, intern at a non-profit in South Africa, conduct field research in Brazil, or study with UConn students in Florence. Best of all, you can spend a semester abroad and still graduate on time. Studying abroad is a great way to gain proficiency in another language and to experience a new culture. There is no better way to learn about yourself, expand your worldview, and develop practical skills than by spending significant time in a different country. Where are you going? [www.studyabroad.uconn.edu](http://www.studyabroad.uconn.edu)

### Volunteers Needed! Check Out Fall 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 & 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 10-12 Community Service Days are offered each semester, with 3-7 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\\_community\\_service\\_days.html](http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/co_community_service_days.html)

### Featured Student Organization Advisor of the Week: Bill Mattera

Bill is the Residence Hall Director in the Department of Residential Life. Currently he advises HuskyTHON and the National Residence Hall Honorary. Bill believes that "Campus involvement, especially in groups like HuskyTHON, really teaches people to connect with their communities and to get out of their rooms. It is so important for them to give back to their community, and to engage themselves in something bigger than their playstation or aim." He enjoys watching the group develop and grow something, like events and traditions. Bill says the most rewarding part of being an advisor is seeing a group complete something and come together. His advice to other faculty members is "Find something that you are passionate or excited about, and then share that with students." Excellent Work!



### Showcase Your Organization!

*The Currents* will be highlighting student organizations in the "Featured Organization" section appearing in the every issue. 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](mailto:student0516@ad.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](mailto:student0516@ad.uconn.edu) with you advisor's email 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 email back. It's a quick simple way to say Thanks and recognize your advisor.