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A Newsletter for Student Organizations

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Check out this week's announcements !!!

Upcoming USG Funding Session: Monday, October 19, 2009

To apply for funding from the USG, your organization **must** be a Registered SOLID Tier II Organization and your COO or CFO must attend a **USG Informational Session** once per academic year.

Funding packets are always due one week before the session. Monday and Thursday sessions are at 11 a.m. and Tuesday and Wednesday sessions are at 2 p.m. All sessions are in SU 221.



Feel free to contact the Funding Board Chairperson or the USG Office with any questions at 860-486-3708 or email at info@usg.uconn.edu.

Attention Seniors! Graduate School Test Prep!

Practice and preparation are key to a great performance on your graduate school admissions exam. The Princeton Review is holding **Test Fest** on **Saturday, October 17, 2009** and kick off your MCAT, LSAT, GMAT or GRE prep with a free practice test on campus. Tests include the type of questions you'll face on the actual exam, to help sharpen your testing skills, and build confidence. For More information visit the review at PrincetonReview.com/GradTestFest or give them a call at **800-2Review (800-273-8439)**. You could win a trip to your dream Medical, Law, Business or Graduate School! Choosing where to go to school is tough. The right fit means everything. The Princeton Review wants to help you find the best school for your needs by paying for one lucky winner to tour his or her top choice school.

Grand Prize: A trip to a student's Dream Medical, Law, Business or Graduate School, on them! **First Prize:** 2 lucky winners will receive a free classroom or online MCAT, LSAT, GMAT or GRE course. The right score on an entrance exam may be the deciding factor in gaining acceptance to the right school. Their classroom or online courses provide the superior instruction your members need to score higher on Test Day. Our **Dream School Tour Giveaway** ends Friday, **October 16, 2009**. Students can register to win at www.PrincetonReview.com/DreamTour.

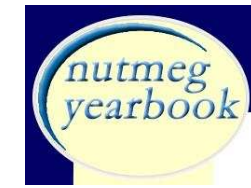


Learn More About Social Entrepreneurship!

Come to the 2009 Guatemala Symposium! During Summer 2009, nine UConn students participated in a study abroad program to Guatemala, where they received an in-depth, crash-course in Social Entrepreneurship. This Symposium will provide a taste of the projects they worked on, a broader cultural understanding, and the impact that the country and its people had on their lives. Learn how to be a part of this study abroad program in 2010 on **Wednesday, October 14, 2009** at 6:30 p.m. in room 127 at the Business School! All undergraduate students are welcome to attend.

Attention Seniors: Yearbook Photos Next Week!

All seniors are asked to schedule a yearbook photo shoot for the Nutmeg Yearbook this month from **10 a.m.—4:30 p.m.** in the Alumni Center Lounge. If you haven't scheduled an appointment yet, go to www.ouryear.com, enter school code: 269 and follow the steps accordingly. For more information, E-mail the Nutmeg Yearbook at nutmegyearbook@gmail.com or call (860) 486-5244.



Students Needed for 2010 Summer Orientation Staff!

Orientation Services is looking to hire new 2010 Summer Orientation Leaders. Orientation leaders perform a critical service for the University and work closely with a variety of faculty, staff, and administrators. As an orientation leader you will work harder than you ever did before with the goal of helping new UConn students and parents. There will be ten information sessions for the distribution of orientation leader applications. *All prospective applicants must attend one information session to obtain an application.* **October** is the only time of the year that they recruit applicants for the orientation leader positions. Other criteria necessary to apply for this position include being at least a second semester undergraduate by spring 2010 with a minimum GPA of 2.2.



Don't forget Homecoming!

Join in the celebration with SUBOG and celebrate Homecoming next week—**October 11 to October 17**. Kick off the week on Monday at the Homecoming Parade!

Tip of the Week: Ice Breakers Part 3

- **Spell-Bound.** To get your group up and moving yell out a word that they have to spell, using their bodies. Take a picture of each spelled out concoction and you'll have pictures of the sentence to show the group.
- **The Question Go-Round.** Ask everyone to sit in a circle. Tell them that for the next 5 minutes, you all need to speak in questions. Begin by posing a question to the person on your left. That person must then turn to the person on his/her left and ask another related question. Anyone who does not speak in a question must sit out.
- **In the Headlines.** Break the group into small clusters of 3-4 people each. Their task, should they choose to accept it, is to create a headline for each organization member. What about that person is newsworthy? They may need to interview each other to find out! This helps to get students talking and offering information about themselves.
- **Super Hero Soup.** Most people have a secret hankering to be a super hero with a secret identity, or at least they used to when they were a kid. Ask each of your members what super hero they would most like to be. Have people explain why they identify with this super hero. Then, have members create a secret identity to match their super hero.

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"Problems are only opportunities with thorns on them."

Hugh Miller

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Featured Advisor of the Week: Morgan Hills, II

Morgan Hills PT, MBA FACHE, is the Director of the Nayden Rehabilitation Clinic in the Department of Kiniesiology. In his spare time, he advises the Student Physical Therapy Association and used to advise the Barbell Club. Morgan believes that campus involvement and leadership are absolutely vital to student success as "the skills required to lead people are developed over time and need environments that provide opportunities and mentorship." His favorite part of being an advisor is observing the students as they face issues from a different perspective and are forced to form educated opinions about it. He says that one of his favorite parts of being an advisor is when a student or group of students begin to see themselves as future leaders of their profession. He strongly encourages others to become an advisor as it does not have to be a career-long commitment.



Showcase Your Advisor!

The Currents is looking to highlight exceptional advisors. If you would like to feature your advisor in *The Currents* please send your advisors name to student0884@ad.uconn.edu.

Deadline for the next issue of The Currents

The next issue of the Fall 2009 semester will be released on Friday, October 16, 2009. Please have all inclusions for the next issue sent to Michelle at student0884@ad.uconn.edu by **Thursday, October 15, 2009** at noon.