Greetings from the UCPA Board

Congratulations to all of our newest alumni and their families! We are so thrilled and proud of you for all of your students’ hard work and your phenomenal dedication to their quality education. They could not do it without your love and support. Now it is time for them to go out into the world. They are ready and will do great! Remember UConn is always here for you and your student as a resource. It is so wonderful to come back to campus and see the things that have stayed the same as well as all of the exciting changes. It always feels like home no matter what.

It has been quite a year for the University and it went by so fast. We had so many wonderful occasions this year: performances, celebrations, academic successes, and amazing athletic moments. We also got through some pretty intense weather! It amazes us how much can go on here at one time; there is always something for everyone on campus.

Additionally, being the forward thinking community UConn is, we were presented with new logos for the University, new plans to grow, and new ideas that will keep the University on the leading edge of technology and education. The University’s newly adopted visual identity program introduced “UCONN” as the new wordmark for the university in an effort to create a symbol that represents the university as a whole. A new visual representation of UConn’s Jonathan the Husky mascot was also revealed in April.

This truly is such an exciting time to be a part of the UConn family. Whether you are finishing your first year here as parents or your student just graduated, you are always a part of the family. We look forward to seeing you next year at our events on campus and hearing how our newest graduates are doing.

Best wishes for a wonderful summer to you all. Go Huskies!

Caroline Chapman                   Eugenie Williams         Cathy Rebai
President                       Vice President                 Treasurer/Past President
Every year the UConn Foundation receives significant financial support from alumni, parents, and friends to everything from scholarships to programmatic enhancements; and from improved athletic facilities to new classroom buildings. Charitable gifts help bridge the gap between what each student pays and the actual cost of providing a world-class educational experience for our students.

Parents are crucial partners in the success of their children and the University. Every year, UConn parents give to support the Parents Fund, the Deans’ Funds, scholarships, and core University priorities like the University Libraries. Your participation, no matter the size of your gift, makes you a partner in this community committed to helping all Huskies make the most of the opportunities available at UConn. Educating your family on the value of giving by example shows your dedication to their success.

UConn students are actively involved in learning about philanthropy and its impact on campus. Alumnus David Barton ’61, has for the third year encouraged students to give through a student giving challenge. Because of his support, encouraged by family and tradition, 2013 has been a record year for student participation with a 300% increase in the number of donors. For students, giving shows their satisfaction with UConn, increases graduates’ prospects for employment by obtaining a degree from a top tier research University, and gives your student a chance to make a difference.

Your child is finding their way at UConn, taking advantage of a top-notch education and cultivating new passions. Encourage them as they take their place in the UConn tradition of giving.

On behalf of the UConn Foundation, congratulations to our May 2013 graduates! You now join the growing family of UConn alumni. Keep in touch as you grow in your careers or further your education. We want to celebrate with you in your successes!
Moving Out

Department of Residential Life

The academic year is ending and although it may feel like you just loaded all those belongings to bring your student to UConn, it’s time to pack them up and move them out. Did you know that students move out up to 40% more belongings than they moved in? Planning the move-out process can cut down on time and stress. Below are some suggestions to help make the process go smoothly.

When Do Your Students Need To Be Out Of Their Rooms?
All students must be out of the residence halls no later than 24 hours after their last final exam. Those students participating in the undergraduate graduation ceremonies must move out by 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 12.

Follow Check-Out Procedures
Residence hall staff will instruct students on how to vacate their rooms properly. Please be sure that your student follows proper instructions when moving out, such as cleaning the room, assembling furniture correctly, and handing in the key. Checking out with a staff member also allows you the opportunity to discuss any damages and who is responsible.

Consider Renting a Moving Van or Truck
Depending upon the quantity of items your student has at school, it may be convenient to rent a moving van or truck. If you are thinking about doing this, arrange to do so early. The month of May can be a busy time to rent a truck since many colleges are closing at the same time.

Bring Moving Supplies
Start saving those boxes! Boxes, tape and even Ziploc bags are very helpful on move-out day. Large garbage bags are one of the best ways to get clothes and blankets home. You may also want to consider packing items that your student needs for school into separate boxes. Label these boxes and put aside for storage. Hand trucks are a great way to move boxes so be sure to bring one along if you have one.

Does Your Student Have Unwanted Items?
As students begin packing, they often come across items they no longer want. Items such as canned goods and clothing can be donated to a charitable organization. Ask your student to check with the residence hall staff in their building for drop-off locations. Other unwanted belongings must be removed from the room or building. Large dumpsters will be located in areas around the residence halls for disposal of large unwanted items such as rugs and furniture. Do not leave large items in the student’s room or near trash receptacles in the residence hall as your student may be charged for improper disposal of his or her belongings. We greatly appreciate your assistance in this area!

Please Keep Vehicles Off The Grass and Sidewalks
Upon your arrival to campus for move-out, please park in a designated parking space or loading area near the residence hall. Please help to keep our campus beautiful by not driving or parking on grass, sidewalks or landscaped areas.

Consider Renting a Local Storage Space
If your student has many large items that they will not need during the summer, consider renting a storage space. Often, a group of students will share a storage space. Personal belongings cannot be stored at the University over the summer and any items left in a room or building will be disposed of after students check out of the residence hall.

Travel Safety
As you are packing up your vehicle, be sure to maintain visibility for safe driving. Please tightly secure any items on roofs or trucks to ensure a safe drive home.

Prepare For Your Student to Return Home
Over the past few months, your student has changed and matured. Having your student back at home will be somewhat of an adjustment for both the student and the family. Patience and good communication help to make this transition smooth and enjoyable.

Self-Service Storage

Is your student looking for a place to store some things this summer? Check out these local storage facilities.

Affordable Self Storage Center, Somers 860-749-6549
Andover Hillside Self Storage Center, 860-742-1644
Bolton & Hebron Self Storage, Bolton 860-228-8030
Chaplin Commons Self Storage, Chaplin 860-456-0475
Columbia Rent-A-Space, Columbia 860-228-4734
Coventry Self Storage LLC, Coventry 860-742-5540
Daniel's Mini Self Storage, Vernon 860-871-9015
East Lyme Rent-A-Space, Niantic-Columbia 860-739-3386
Easy Does It Self Storage, Franklin 860-887-2400
Home Town Self Storage LLC, Pomfret 860-963-1090
Mansfield Self & RV Storage, Mansfield 860-423-5677
Murphy's Storage Depot, N. Franklin 860-642-1900
North River Road Self Storage, Tolland 860-870-4504
North Windham Self Storage, N. Windham 860-423-0497
Stock N Lock Self Storage, S. Windham 860-456-8544
Stock N Lock Self Storage, Willington 860-429-9339
The Attic Self Storage Center, Ellington 860-872-7233
U-Haul Self Storage, Columbia 860-228-1886
U-Store-It, Enfield 860-745-2700
Vernon Storage Center, Tolland/Vernon/Rockville, 860-875-9991
I hope you and your student(s) enjoyed a wonderful, academically successful 2012-2013 academic year. Each year when the students begin to focus on summer plans I am filled with excitement about the academic and financial opportunities available to students and their families in summer. “Summer?” you ask. “Yes, Summer!!”

More and more, college students and their families are thinking differently about how to complete a bachelor’s degree. Increasingly, students are veering away from the standard “15 credits in the fall, 15 credits in the spring, for four years” model, and choosing a less traditional timeline to degree completion. In short, they are taking a strategic approach to planning their enrollment. Today, it is likely that students enroll in summer and winter sessions as a means to graduate early. Have you and your student considered the opportunity to complete a semester’s worth of credits during the summer and graduate a semester early? Did you know that all students pay in-state fees in the summer? Did you know that housing at the Storrs campus is half price during the summer? How much would that save you? As an in-state student? As an out-of-state student? As the variety of summer course increases annually, so does the opportunity to graduate early and save money, while enjoying the robust academic and residential experience during the summer.

Yes, this represents a significant change to how things were done in the past. Frequently, change is good; like new shops and restaurants that are opening in “Storrs Center”. Construction dust and detours are transitioning into student jobs and activities. This project, a decade in the making, is coming to fruition and will contribute to the lifeblood of our community throughout the year.

Don’t forget online courses and the Regional Campuses!! For many reasons, some students are not able to take advantage of our reduced price housing option at Storrs. That’s OK, there are numerous summer courses offered at our five regional campuses. If in person courses are not an option, we have a rapidly increasing selection of online courses available. The number of online courses offered in the summer session increased 117% from 2010 to 2012 and will continue to grow. At UConn we are focusing on general education requirements. “Gen Eds” fall into 4 content areas, and are part of the core requirements that a student needs to earn a baccalaureate degree. In the summer 2012, 16 additional general education courses were taught online for the first time, with the goal of adding more for the summer 2013. Perhaps a mix of online and in person summer classes will be the right formula for your student to graduate early.

As we turn our focus to the new opportunities available through summer attendance, we would be remiss if we abandoned the more traditional benefits of summer enrollment. As always, summer attendance is a great way to focus on one class. Whether it’s because the student had to withdraw from the course during the semester, or simply wants to dedicate all of their efforts toward one course, summer is a great way to do it. The ability to increase the cumulative grade point average has long been, and continues to be, a strong motivator to take a summer course.

Besides the numerous benefits listed above, taking a summer course at UConn means being taught by the best – UConn faculty and instructors. There is no substitute for quality, and students are assured of obtaining the appropriate course content and foundation for future learning. With UConn courses, there are no worries about credits and grades transferring in, and no hassles working with other institutions to obtain course descriptions and appropriate approvals.

Not registered yet? No problem! Within the summer session there are a variety of different formats with courses lasting three weeks or six weeks. Your student can choose which one is right for them. The listing of summer courses can be found in the Student Administration System, or by going to summersession.uconn.edu/summer, students register via the Student Administration System – flexible, simple!
New Student Checklist
Office of Orientation Services, UConn Storrs campus

During the summer months, the UConn Storrs campus hosts many new students as they attend orientation. If you have a new student or know a new student who will be coming to orientation and starting classes in the Fall 2013 semester at the Storrs campus, remind them to complete the important tasks listed below.

Complete their online Orientation Reservation
After the enrollment deposit is paid, the student will receive email communication inviting them to sign up for orientation. Encourage your student to complete their reservation for orientation as soon as possible. Details about the UConn (Storrs) orientation program can be found at orientation.uconn.edu.

Students planning to live on campus should complete the online Housing Application:
The housing application became available on March 1, 2013. Students should access and complete the Housing Application by visiting reslife.uconn.edu/myhousing. Housing applications must be submitted by May 16, 2013.

All students must submit the Health History Form, including proof of meningitis immunization:

After paying the enrollment deposit, students will be mailed insurance information and a Health History Form. Health History Forms must be submitted to Student Health Services by July 1, 2013. Once completed, students should send their health history form by mail to:
UConn SHS, Medical Records, Unit 2011
234 Glenbrook Rd.
Storrs, CT 06269

**A $50 non-refundable fee will be applied to the student’s fee bill if they are not compliant with their immunizations by the 10th day of fall semester classes.

Pay UConn tuition and fee bill:
Fee bills can be viewed by the student in the Student Administration system beginning in late June. As a parent/guardian, you must be an authorized user to view the fee bill. For information on payment options and becoming an authorized user, please visit bursar.uconn.edu. Fee bills must be paid by August 1, 2013.

For additional tasks students should complete prior to their assigned orientation session, they should refer to the Student Checklist located at orientation.uconn.edu/checklist

Storrs Center: Open for Business!
Kathleen M. Paterson, Mansfield Downtown Partnersihp, Inc.

The Mansfield Downtown Partnership, a 501 (c) (3) organization formed by the Town of Mansfield and the University of Connecticut, invites you to add a trip to Storrs Center with your student during your next visit to campus. Many new restaurants, shops, and services are open for business downtown.

In One Dog Lane, hungry visitors can choose from Moe’s Southwest Grill, Dog Lane Café, Subway, or Mooyah Burgers & Fries. Satisfy a sweet tooth with a stop at Froyoworld or Insomnia Cookies. Swing by 7-Eleven for a coffee on the go or for that item you forgot to pack.

Next door, two more restaurants are cooking up delicious meals: Geno’s Grille and Husky Pizza. Their neighbors at The Flower Pot, Travel Planners, Body Language, Head Husky Barber Styling Shop, Select Physical Therapy, and Storrs Automotive are open and ready to serve you with a smile. And, no visit to Storrs Center would be complete without a trip to Sweet Emotions Candy Shop!

The Partnership and Storrs Center master developer LeylandAlliance are in the midst of planning fun community events for all ages to take place downtown throughout the summer and fall. Be sure to check www.storrscenter.com for events, sales, and specials before you head downtown.

More businesses will be opening their doors this fall, including an additional location of the UConn Co-op!

Storrs Center is an easy walk or bike ride from campus. If you drive, park free for two hours in the Dog Lane lot behind Husky Pizza. The Storrs Center parking garage is perfect for longer stays; the first two hours are free, and it’s just $1 an hour after that!

For more information, please visit the Mansfield Downtown Partnership’s website, www.mansfieldct.org/mdp, or contact the Partnership at 860-429-2740 or mdp@mansfieldct.org. Information is also available at www.storrscenter.com.
What is there to do at UConn over the summer?
Office of Orientation Services, UConn Storrs Campus

In addition to the new restaurants and shops open in Storrs Center, there is much to see and do on the Storrs campus in the summer months!

The UConn Dairy Bar is a must when on campus. Originally named the Dairy Product Salesroom, the Dairy Bar opened sometime between 1953 and 1954 to sell dairy products that were manufactured by the Creamery. Today, over 200,000 customers visit the Dairy Bar annually to enjoy more than 24 flavors of ice cream, as well as choose from eggs, cheeses, and yogurt. The Dairy Bar is open from 11am-7pm in May and from 11am-8pm in June-August. More information can be found at www.dairybar.uconn.edu or by calling 860-486-2634 or 860-486-1021.

The William Benton Museum of Art is in the center of campus and is not only a site of art exhibitions but also includes a gift shop and The Beanery, a café that once was the dining hall on campus. Admission is free. For more information visit www.thebenton.org or call 860-486-4520. The galleries are open Tuesday-Friday from 12pm to 4:30pm, Saturday and Sunday, 1-4:30pm. The Store and The Beanery are open Tuesday-Friday, 8:30am-4pm, Saturday and Sunday, 1-4pm. For more information visit www.thebenton.org or call 860-486-0339.

If you are interested in the exhibitions at the Benton, you should also visit the Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry. UConn is only one of three universities in the country to offer an undergraduate degree in puppet arts. The Puppetry Museum has a collection of over 2,500 puppets from all over the world. There is an archive of books, manuscripts, posters, drawings, audio-visual materials, and photographs about the history of puppetry. Workshops, tours, performances, other events, and programs that promote the art of puppetry are all offered. (Information provided by bimp.uconn.edu). The museum will soon be relocating from its current location at UConn’s Depot campus (just five minutes away from the Storrs campus), to its new location as part of the UConn Co-op branch in Storrs Center. The museum is open to the public Fridays-Sundays 12pm-5pm and by appointment. More information can be found at www.bimp.uconn.edu or by calling 860-486-0339.

Take a tour of UConn’s Greenhouses for Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Plant Growth Facilities. With one of the most diverse plant collections in the northeastern United States, the Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Greenhouses are an exciting destination in eastern Connecticut. Located behind the Torrey Life Sciences building, the greenhouses are open to the public Monday through Friday from 8am-4pm. More information can be found at titanarum.uconn.edu/visiting.html.

Located in the Alumni Center, the J. Robert Donnelly Husky Heritage Sports Museum showcases the sights and sounds of 100+ years of UConn athletic tradition. The museum is open to the general public Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm. More information can be found at www.uconnhuskies.com/trads/museum.html.

The Student Union is home to a theater, food court, five cultural centers, a restaurant, ice cream shop, and a game room. Stop by Chuck and Augie’s Restaurant, or grab some ice cream at the Blue Cow for dessert. Go bowling in the Doug Bernstein Game Room and follow that with any one of the summer programs. Event information is available in May 2013 at www.summerprograms.uconn.edu. Find more information about events at www.studentunion.uconn.edu.

From ice cream, to museums, to agriculture, UConn is constantly full of life. Whether a quick visit, a day trip, or an overnight stay, you can always find something to do at the university. And of course, don’t forget to stop by our bookstore, the UConn Co-op, before you leave!
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After your recent graduate has a polished résumé he/she needs to identify jobs to apply to. This can be done through job boards including HuskyCareerLink (UConn’s job posting site) and most importantly through networking. Networking is the best way to find job opportunities, and there are a variety of methods to be successful. Whether traditional in-person networking or done virtually, your student will want to take advantage of every opportunity to connect with others. Virtual networking is a relatively new twist on the way people interact and must be integrated into the graduates’ job search. Does he or she have a LinkedIn account? Is your graduate following companies he/she is interested in on Twitter? What about Facebook? Virtual networking is a critical component in the job search; therefore it is important that students/recent graduates understands all the nuances.

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The UConn Alumni Association’s Top 10 List for New Graduates

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Once your student strides out of Gampel with a diploma in hand, their connection to UConn continues through the UConn Alumni Association (UCAA). In addition to connecting graduates with a network of more than 225,000 alumni worldwide, we provide career services as well as mentoring and networking opportunities. Here’s a Top 10 List of how your graduate can stay connected with us:

1. Update contact information with the UCAA. This way, your student will always have the most up-to-date information about great events and opportunities in their area as well as exciting campus news.
2. Meet fellow Huskies through an affinity group, school/college society, or local alumni chapter. Whether they move to a new state or stay in Connecticut, there are several groups ready to welcome new alumni. These groups host all sorts of events — from game watches to networking nights.
3. Become a member. If your student is already a member, that is great! Joining the Alumni Association is a great way for graduates to maintain a longstanding relationship with the University and to show their continuing pride in the institution. Young alumni enjoy a special rate for the first five years after graduation.
4. Sign up for free online services, including CareerNet (network with alumni), class notes, as well as job and résumé postings.
5. Stay connected via social media. The UCAA is active on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube, and Flickr.
6. Experience a “Taste of UConn” during Alumni Weekend from June 7 to 8, 2013.
7. Come back to Rentschler Field for this year’s Homecoming football game on Oct. 12, 2013. Remind your student(s) to stop by Spirit Village!
8. Get involved through volunteering. Alumni can be mentors, Workplace Ambassadors, career fair representatives, Admissions representatives, international ambassadors, and much more.
9. Participate in our global alumni book club, A Novel Group of Huskies. This virtual club allows graduates to participate whenever they can, from wherever they are.
10. Travel to exotic places with fellow Huskies. From the stunning landscapes of Japan to villages in the heart of Europe to the snowy Canadian Rockies and beyond, several tours each year offer the chance to experience different cultures firsthand alongside UConn alumni and friends.

Find more information online at UConnAlumni.com.
Questions? Email us at ucaa@uconn.edu or call us toll-free at 888-822-5861.

Career Services: Tips for Graduates

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The Boomerang Generation: Tips for Living Together if your Graduate Moves Back Home

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There used to be a logical progression-college, graduation, launched. Times have changed since you were in your 20’s, as if you didn’t already know. Having your young adult return home after graduation may not be something that either you or your son or daughter had planned or hoped for. Economics have trumped the plans of many young adults and their parents who may have just been getting quite comfortable in their empty nests. Student loans, the high cost of living and the lackluster job market may have derailed both yours and your graduate’s dreams—temporarily. In fact this is so common that a new phrase has been coined for the millennials—enter “the boomerang generation.” A recent study from the Pew Research Center has shown that 29% of young adults ages 25-34 have returned home to live with their parents at some point in recent years. So, you are not alone. But how do you and your graduate navigate this tricky terrain?

This is a unique opportunity with its unique set of challenges—and joys— for everyone. Having a game plan will go a long way in making this transition a successful one for your family. A frank discussion from the start to establish ground rules and expectations is key.

Here are some helpful tips to get you started:

1. Recognize that your young adult is not the teen that left home over four years ago. He/she has lived independently, matured, and gained life experiences. Respect the maturity and independence they acquired. Going from having complete freedom to returning to the bedrooms they left behind is a challenge for them, as well as for you. The more understanding that you are of this challenge for your graduate, the smoother the transition will be.
2. Maintain the lifestyle that you had while your graduate was on his or her own. Beware of falling back into the trap of daily caretaking of your son or daughter.
3. Of course your graduate also has to keep this in mind, too. While graduates don’t want the same dynamics as before, neither do parents. That means doing their own laundry, cleaning and helping out with the cooking.
4. Have discussions about consideration. Your young adult has enjoyed freedom and should not have to return home to unreasonable curfews. At the same time, loud music and visiting friends may have limits.
5. Every family manages finances differently. A conversation about expectations for managing earned income such as contributions to the house for food and/or utilities, paying back loans, or saving towards moving back on one’s own should be discussed. Setting goals and guiding budgeting will help your son or daughter maintain financial independence once back on their own.

The silver lining in this brave new world is that while you provide an emotional and financial safety net for your college graduate, you all have the opportunity to get to appreciate each other as adults. Remember how their childhood flew by? Here is another opportunity to make the most of your time together. With good communication, clear expectations and consideration you may be surprised to discover how much you gain from this time together. And one last thought—what goes around comes around. One day you may be living with them!

Read All About It

The UConn Parents Association LISTSERV provides important updates via emails from our Association and from the UConn Administration. We hope you want to receive these emails; please sign up at parents.uconn.edu. You may also remove your email address when you no longer wish to receive these very important messages.
A popular catalogue retailer heavily advertises to students heading off to college their “sheets that fit.” Like any conscientious custodian of a soon-to-be college student, you are likely aware that normal bed sheets just don’t fit university issued mattresses. Equally worthy of your consideration is whether your health insurance plan will fit with the new needs of the college environment. To that point, UConn’s Counseling and Mental Health Services (CMHS) offers a few pointers for your consideration.

CMHS Services: CMHS offers a range of mental health intervention and prevention services that are in high demand. In 2011-2012 we had over 12,000 contacts. A number of services are offered as core services, funded by the General University Fee, in order to support a healthy community. These include all triage and emergency services, special stress management clinics, and numerous outreach education programs and support groups. CMHS will also work with students who may need more clinically oriented treatment in developing a care plan which could include group therapy, brief individual therapy and medication evaluation/management. For these clinical services we bill third-party insurance, and we are participating with most major insurances. Students who present with more intensive needs than our care model can accommodate will be assisted in locating appropriate resources. For complete information about CMHS services please visit our website at www.counseling.uconn.edu

Predicting Needs: Deciding on coverage is typically an actuarial exercise in predicting need. For students who have previous or ongoing mental health history and known need for care, coverage should be planned accordingly. That said, not only is college a stressful time, but also the first onset of many mental health concerns occurs within the 18-24 age range. When making your choices, please consider that not all concerns can be foreseen.

Nature of the Service: Students who seek care from CMHS average 4-5 visits. In planning for coverage please consider that mental health care typically involves recurring visits that can accumulate costs. For students who carry only catastrophic coverage or who have high co-pays and deductibles, this can create a significant financial burden and alternative plans might be reviewed. For our complete list of fees please see www.counseling.uconn.edu/fees.

Out of Network Benefits: CMHS currently participates with Anthem, Aetna, Cigna, Connecticut Medicaid and United Behavioral Health. We will also submit claims for out of network benefit reimbursement. For students who will be far from home, it is advised that you review your out-of-network benefit for mental health.

University-Sponsored Student Health Insurance Plan(SHIP); No Co-Pay, No Deductible: Please note that under SHIP there is no co-payment and no deductible for mental health visits. For information about the coverage and benefits of the University-sponsored student health insurance plan please see: www.shs.uconn.edu/insurance. The 2013-2014 brochures will be available in early June. The plan will be fully compliant with federal regulation mandates and will offer preventative care. We urge you to carefully read the brochure and compare with what your other coverage provides.

UConn Parents Association Phone-a-Thon Results

On March 10, 2013, the Office of Undergraduate Admissions and the UConn Parents Association co-hosted a first time phone campaign where current UConn parents called and connected with parents of accepted students to ask and answer any questions they have about UConn. Parent volunteers were able to talk with or leave a message for over 500 parents of accepted students in just a few hours.

We would like to offer a special thank you to our phone campaign parent volunteer callers:
Jill and Bruce Schaefer
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Nancy Selensky
Laura Mangiapane
Maureen Massucci
Susan Camenker
Caroline Chapman
Cathy Rebai
Save the Date: Family Weekend 2013

Mark your calendar now, because Family Weekend 2013 is coming! UConn will hold this annual tradition September 27, 28, and 29 with events for the entire family.

In early August, either watch your mail for the Family Weekend postcard or visit the Family Weekend website at familyweekend.uconn.edu for a preview of this year’s activities.

Be sure to make your overnight reservations early, as Family Weekend is attended by thousands of UConn families. Area accommodations can be found on the Parents Association website at parents.uconn.edu. Additionally special meals, such as the BBQ and Family Weekend Dinner, have a limited capacity and are on a first-come, first-reserved basis.

Student Parking Permits Available Online

Parking Services

Parking Services is pleased to offer student parking permits online. Last year’s debut of the online system was a huge success and allowed students to avoid standing in long lines in the summer heat. Beginning at noon on July 1, 2013, students can go to www.studentparking.uconn.edu to purchase their 2013-2014 parking permit. Students will need to enter demographic and vehicle information and have a valid credit card for online payment. Space is limited in the garages and some of the lots and permits area assigned based on the purchase date.

Parking on the Storrs campus is by permit only. Permit options and eligibility information can be found on the Parking Services website at www.park.uconn.edu. Permits purchased by August 2nd can be mailed to off-campus addresses only.

If students have questions or need additional information, they can contact the Parking Services Office at 860-486-4930

Important: UConn e-mail

Please remind your student to check their UConn email account over the summer. Several University departments correspond with students by email only.
Biggest UConn Family Contest

Enter by July 1, 2013

How many Huskies are in your family?

Win tickets to the 2013 Homecoming Game

Show off your family’s pride on the field

* Online submissions available at: UConnAlumni.com/UConnFamily