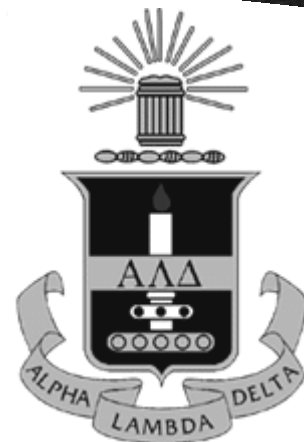
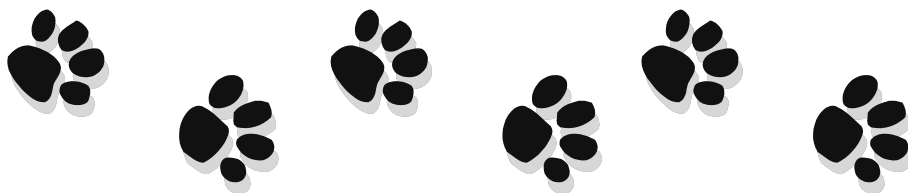


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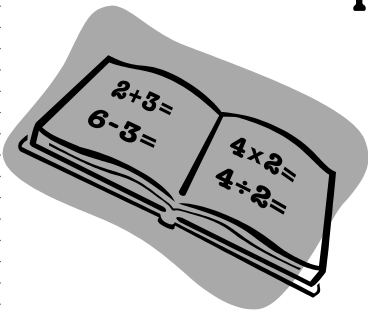
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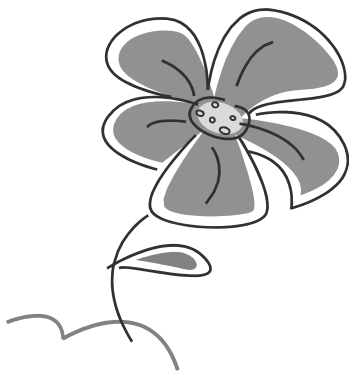
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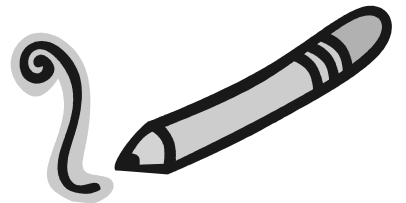
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## Meet Our Committees!

By Mike McLachlan

Alpha Lambda Delta contains seven tremendous committees that handle each of the different sects of this awesome organization. Each committee specializes in one area and contributes to a lot of the work that gets done here at Alpha Lambda Delta.

The Community Outreach Committee is responsible for arranging on and off campus community service activities to help Alpha Lambda Delta get more involved with its surrounding community. It occasionally meets on Wednesday nights at 5:00 P.M. The goal of this committee is to open up more opportunities for Alpha Lambda Delta members to engage in community service activities.

The Scrapbook Committee works meticulously through all of the photos, selecting the best to be placed into an extraordinary scrapbook, which is sent to the national ALD office. Our scrapbook is entered into the annual competition for Order of the Torch, and will undoubtedly contribute towards “Maintaining the Flame” this year.

The Academic Committee helps to plan academic events for ALD members. This committee is responsible for the lecture series, National Scholarship workshops, mentoring programs, and other academic events.

The Marketing and Advertising Committee is responsible for promoting awareness of ALD to UConn, sponsoring activities within ALD, and advertising events around campus. These are some of the main players in publicizing the name of ALD.

The Major Events Committee plans and organizes major fundraising events across campus, such as our yearly Pumpkinfest.

The Social Committee plans social events for ALD, such as study break, shopping trips, and other ALD group gatherings. This committee reminds ALD members how extraordinary this organization truly is, helps improve relations within ALD between members, and assists the formation of lifelong friendships.

The Newsletter Committee is responsible for writing all the articles in ALD’s awesome newsletter. Much hard work goes into writing the articles, as well as layout and editing. The Newsletter Committee helps spread the word about ALD and helps educate the public about what ALD is truly about. This committee highlights the great accomplishments of the year past; it eagerly awaits the inevitable successes that the future will bring to ALD.



***Attend any General Member's Meeting or Contact our E-Board to start getting involved in ALD's numerous committees!***

# ALD Induction 2013

By Alexander Choi

The UConn Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta welcomed over 750 new members in its annual induction ceremony. The Rome Ballroom was packed with the



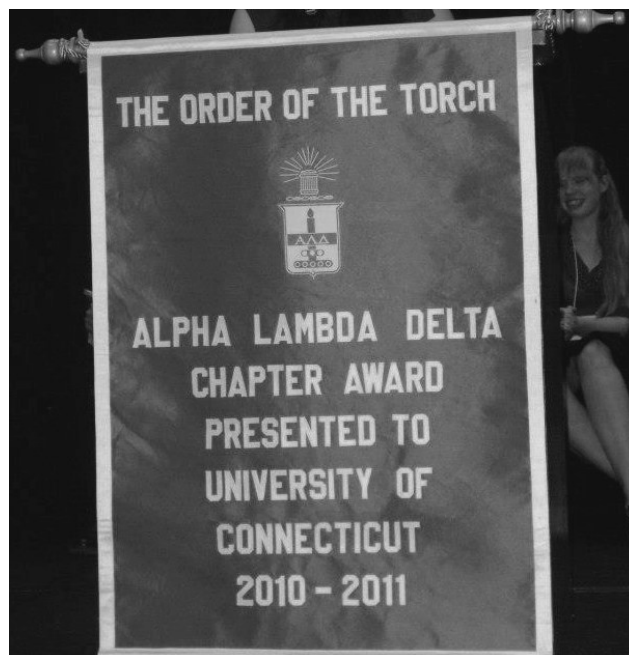
proud families and friends of the new inductees. Sitting in the midst of hundreds of my happily chatting peers and their parents, I felt slightly overwhelmed at being in the presence of so many exceptional individuals. There was an atmosphere of excitement and anticipation. For many of us, obtaining ALD membership was the first milestone of our college careers; it was an affirmation that our hard work in the first semester had not gone unrecognized.

The program began with a warm welcome from ALD's Advisor and Executive Director, David Oiumette. After cordially greeting all of those in attendance, Mr. Oiumette introduced the outgoing Chapter President: Almariet Palm. Her speech outlined the years that she had spent in ALD and the positive experiences that she had developed within the organization that ultimately culminated in her presidency. Almariet emphasized that, beyond all other things, ALD was an organization designed to the facilitation of the academic growth of hard-working students.

The keynote speech was delivered by Dr. Christine Wilson, a former Chapter President of ALD. Dr. Wilson spoke at length about the importance of making

the most out of opportunities, especially when the circumstances are difficult. Next, the incoming Vice-President, Abby Marchinkoski, introduced ALD's Faculty of the Year, Dr.

William Bailey. The Faculty of the Year award is based on student nomination and is an example of how our honors society fosters faculty-student relations. After several more short speeches from key ALD members, such as incoming President Marissa Mannello, the new inductees rose and stated our pledge to the organization and received our certificates. At the conclusion of the event, I, along with all the students around me, felt prepared and excited for the beginning of our college career in ALD.



# HuskyTHON 2013

By Janelle James

HuskyTHON is an unbelievably moving experience. Not only does it offer an opportunity for students and different organizations to come together as a community to support one cause, but students get to see their contributions first-hand. They get to meet numerous "miracle children" whose lives have been touched by the Connecticut Children's Medical Center and get the satisfaction of knowing that what they are doing here at UConn is truly benefiting the children. One child in particular that ALD's

HuskyTHON team benefitted was our miracle child, Matthew. Matthew was an 11-year-old boy that the Connecticut Children's Medical Center helped and he came out with his family and two younger brothers to show his gratitude for the service that we are doing for them.

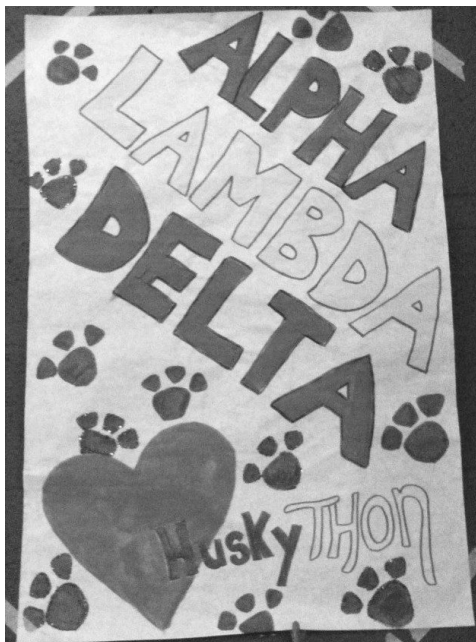
Current President of ALD, Marrisona Mannello says, "The best part of HuskyTHON is getting to see all the miracle children and their families all truly enjoying themselves and having an opportunity to just be a kid with no worries."

ALD's HuskyTHON couldn't have been possible without the 10 ALD members that dedicated time,

commitment and their positive attitudes toward helping these wonderful children. The team consisted of Jon

Zator, Abby Marchinkoski and Marissa Mannello from the executive board, along with Emily McCaffrey, Kristen Anderson, Kylie Hill, William Perry, Kayla Bleau and Emily Coyne. A special thanks goes out to Tara Cordner who helped fundraise but unfortunately couldn't make it to the night of the event. Thanks to these phenomenal students ALD's HuskyTHON team was able to raise \$2,195.00! Their amazing support and

dedication will live on through the lives of the children they have touched.

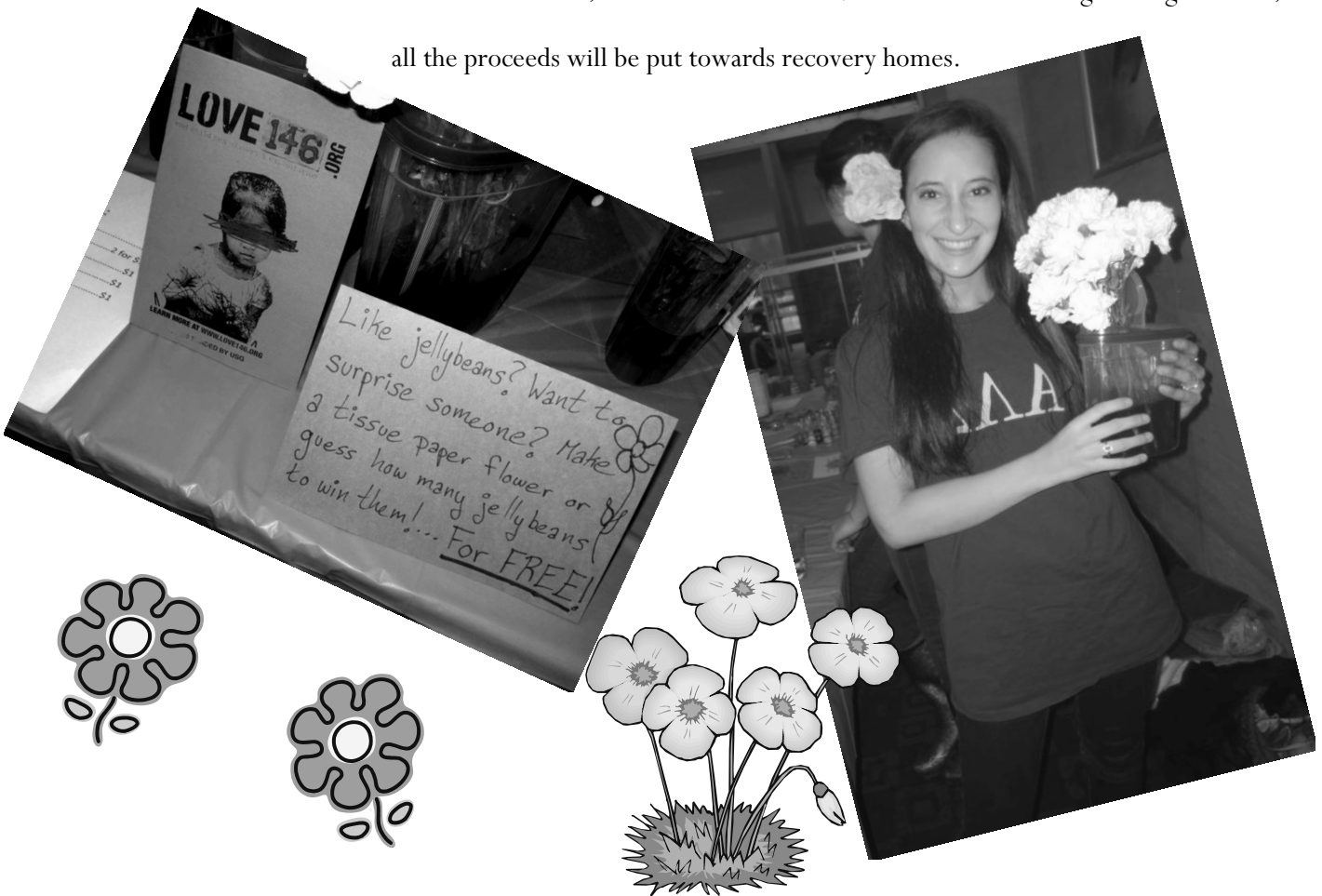


# FLOWERFest 2013



By Justin Letendre

Alpha Lambda Delta celebrated its annual Flower Fest on Friday, April 12, showing its dedication to the UConn community. There were many colorful carnations, and our volunteers were helping people to make their own tissue paper flowers that could be distributed to some very lucky ladies. There were also whoopee pies and cookies with lemonade for sale, and there was much rejoicing. Unfortunately, due to the April showers we were forced to hold Flower Fest indoors, but that didn't stop people from coming in to make their very own flower pots, complete with stickers and colorful scented markers. Overall, the Spring fundraiser for ALD was a success, and everyone that came had a great time. Our aim was to raise money for LOVE146, a global organization that tries to stop child sex trafficking and slavery, and helps to get those rescued from brothels back on their feet. As a whole, we were able to raise \$250 to donate to this great organization, and all the proceeds will be put towards recovery homes.



## ALD Scholarships

By Janelle James

Congratulations to the 2013 winners of the ALD local scholarships! ALD is proud to present Aimee Roberge with the Katie Michel Roaming Husky Award in the amount of \$1000, Allison Schauer with the \$500 Paper 'n Paws Award and Fariya Naz with the \$250 Dr. Seuss Award.

The Dr. Seuss Award was presented to Fariya Naz in the amount of \$250. This award is used to fund the purchase of books for an academic semester.

The Paper 'n Paws Award was awarded to Allison Schauer in the amount of \$500. This scholarship is meant to award academic success and involvement.

The Katie Michel Roaming Husky Award was awarded to Aimee Roberge in the amount of \$1000. This scholarship is awarded to help offset study abroad costs. Any student who is an ALD member and a full time student may apply for these local scholarships.

National scholarships are a lot more competitive because so many different people apply for them. This academic school year UConn ALD member Brittney Seyfried was awarded the Jo Anne J. Trow Scholarship in the amount of \$1000. She surpassed over 100 strong applicants in order to receive this outstanding scholarship. Congratulations to Brittney on her phenomenal work!

Interested in winning next years scholarship? Be sure to stay involved with Alpha Lambda Delta and other organizations on campus and in your community. Students who keep their GPA up while still maintaining a high level of involvement in clubs and organizations are ideal candidates for local and national scholarships. Prospective applicants should attend meetings prior to winter break in order to learn more about each individual scholarship. Scholarship applications can be found on UConn's ALD page.



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