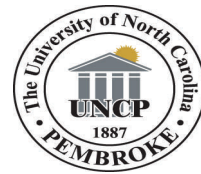


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## Harmony Walk: Celebrating Diversity One Step at a Time

The Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs invites you to join us in the 2nd annual Harmony Walk on Sept. 21, 2005 at 3:00 p.m.

The Harmony Walk is a way for The University of North Carolina Pembroke campus to show its appreciation for diversity and to recognize the International Day of Peace.

The event will begin with a speech from Dr. Joy Weeber, UNCP's Coordinator of Counseling, Advising, and Transitioning for Disability Support Services.

The walk will take place shortly after the speech, and it will begin at the Amphitheater and conclude on the University Center lawn.

Afterwards, students will have the opportunity to sign up for volunteer and community services at the tables

set up by UNCP student organizations.

Free food and drinks will be provided as well. All students, faculty members and community members are welcome to attend.

The Harmony Walk is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs, Leadership and Service Opportunities Program, and International Programs.

For more information, contact Robert L. Canida II, Director of Multicultural and Minority Affairs, at 910.522.5790 or email him at: [canida@uncp.edu](mailto:canida@uncp.edu)

We look forward to seeing everyone!



## Tim Wise to speak at UNCP

Tim Wise, longtime activist and anti-racist writer, will speak at UNCP, Oct. 19, on issues concerning race and privilege.

Students, faculty, staff as well as community members are encouraged to attend.

Wise will first speak at 10 a.m. in Givens Performing Arts Center and again at 7 p.m. in the University Center Lounge.

This event is being sponsored by the Offices of Advisement and Retention, Multicultural and Minority Affairs, and Leadership and Service Opportunities Program.

We look forward to seeing you!!



### *Mission Statement*

The Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs of UNC Pembroke strives to provide programs and services that support the academic mission of the University by enhancing the educational, personal, cultural and social development of diverse and ethnic minority student populations. As an agent of change, the Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs seeks to value cultural diversity in order to promote an empowered society.

# Diversity Committee for Communities of Interest

The Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs is excited about its new Diversity Committee for Communities of Interest (DCCOI). DCCOI has a vision to promote and sustain a cohesive and inclusive environment among the university and local community.

An environment that truly values and embraces diversity, groups, cultures, differences, and perspectives within the framework of the academic environment.

The Diversity Committee for Communities of Interests is an integral part of the Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs.

It will take a leadership role in providing programs, services, and resources that support the office's and university's mission.

Serving as a catalyst, DCCOI will assist in developing programs, practices and policies that represent and enhance the University's diverse and ethnic student populations.

In collaboration with other university offices and community entities, the DCCOI will seek to improve the overall educational, social, and cultural experiences of UNCP's underrepresented groups.

The ultimate purpose of the committee will be to ensure that students are informed and encouraged to take advantage of the university's and community's academic, cultural, social, and economic resources, thus providing an atmosphere of life long learning.

The first meeting of the 2005-2006 academic year is scheduled for September 28 at 3:30pm in the Multicultural Center. DCCOI encourages students, faculty, staff and community members to join the committee.

Contact Robert L. Canida II at 522.5790 or email at [canida@uncp.edu](mailto:canida@uncp.edu) for additional information.



## Minority Peer Mentoring Group

The Minority Peer Mentoring Program targets first year students of color, who may need assistance in transitioning to college.

The mentors are upperclassmen students, who will be paired up with first year students, serving as their big

brother or big sister in the program. The mentors will connect with their student during the first year, while developing a healthy academic relationship.

If you would like to become a mentor, visit the Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs in Rom 132 in Old

Main Building or contact Robert L. Canida II at 522.5790.



## Let's Talk About It; Fall Book Group Discussion

Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. in the Multicultural Center, students are welcome to come and discuss issues ranging from race, academic success, diversity, sexuality, etc.

Whether you've got an issue to discuss or simply want to meet new people, the *Let's Talk About It* discussion is right for you. Feel free to invite

friends and classmates.

A *Fall Book Discussion Group* is an event being co-sponsored by the Offices Advisement and Retention and Multicultural and Minority Affairs and will be run from September through November.

We will discuss Allan Johnson's *Power, Privilege and Difference*.

Interested students can contact Robert L. Canida, II at [canida@uncp.edu](mailto:canida@uncp.edu) or Amanda Gengler at [amanda.gengler@uncp.edu](mailto:amanda.gengler@uncp.edu) for more information and dates.

