

## University gains membership in global entrepreneurship association

The Thomas Family Center for Entrepreneurship was accepted for membership in the prestigious Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers (GCEC).

The consortium recognized the Thomas Center for its outreach into the local business community and the academic programs it established at UNCP and the School of Business.

The GCEC is a professional association of international entrepreneurship centers that is a vehicle through which its members may collaborate and communicate. It has more than 200 members including several in North Carolina, including Duke, UNC-Chapel Hill, Wake Forest and NC State University.



**Dr. Mike Menefee** (Business), the Thomas Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship, said the membership is a milestone for the young program.


“This is the number one organization in this field,” Dr. Menefee said. “Membership is an important recognition of UNCP’s entrepreneurship programs.

“We have solid and growing programs, and this is a stamp of approval,” he said.



With its director, **Dr. Carmen Calabrese** (Business, Thomas Center), the Thomas Center advises new and growing businesses from its offices in COMtech and stage informational symposiums.


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With Dr. Menefee on board, the Thomas Center launched an entrepreneurship certificate program, a minor for all students, and concentration for business majors, all at the School of Business.

The Southern Association (SACS) recently approved students to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in business administration with a concentration in entrepreneurship. And, four courses in entrepreneurship were recently added to the curriculum offerings of the Master of Business Administration or MBA program.

“The Thomas Center recognizes the correlation between economic development and entrepreneurship, therefore, we are committed to entrepreneurship education and to entrepreneurial development,” Dr. Menefee said.

## UNCP to screen ‘Looking for Ms. Locklear’ on Dec. 12

The Department of American Indian Studies, with the support of the Office of Academic Affairs, will screen the award-winning film “Looking for Ms. Locklear” at 7 p.m. in GPAC on December 12.

After the screening, the filmmakers Rhett McLaughlin and Link Neal will make a personal appearance to perform songs from the film. There will also be appearances by several of the Lumbee people who appeared in the documentary.

Before the screening, photographer **Raul Rubiera** (University & Community Relations) will take portraits of Lumbee people interested in being part of this photo-documentary project.



PEMBROKE PREMIERE: ONE NIGHT ONLY

Looking for  
Ms. Locklear

The award-winning documentary from

Saturday December 12th  
7 - 9pm

Givens Performing Arts Center  
UNC-P Campus  
Hwy 711  
Pembroke, NC 28372

(Details on back)

Rhett & Link

**Order tickets now! GPAC Office: (800) 367-0778**

Tickets are \$5 for everyone, and are available in advance at GPAC or at the door. Half the proceeds from this event will benefit the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.

“Looking for Ms. Locklear” was shot primarily in the Pembroke community. To find out more about the comedy team Rhett & Link, check out <http://rhettandlink.com/about/>.

“Everyone involved in this event is extremely excited about it, and we hope to sell out the house!” said **Dr. Jane Haladay** (American Indian Studies). We hope every Locklear in Pembroke shows up at the screening, and every Oxendine, Brooks, Jacobs, Dial, Hunt, Deese, Lowery, and everybody else! It's going to be really fun.”

For questions and to order tickets for the event, contact GPAC at ext. 6361 or email Dr. Jane Haladay in American Indian Studies at [haladayj@uncp.edu](mailto:haladayj@uncp.edu).

## Geography Awareness Week is Nov. 16-20



During the third week of November each year the U.S. recognizes Geography Awareness Week as a time to highlight the importance of spatial understanding and our connection to the world around us. Since 1987, when President Reagan signed legislation to highlight the importance of geography, the week has offered a chance for geographers to reach out to their communities.

Geography Awareness Week is sponsored by the National Geographic Society and other geographic organizations. Each year, National Geographic offers a theme to build activities around and this year's

theme is “Get Lost in Mapping: Find Your Place in the World” (<http://www.mywonderfulworld.org/gaw.html>). With the growing interest in geography and location-based technologies over the past few years, this is a great theme that also highlights GIS Day, which falls on the Wednesday of Geography Awareness Week.

At UNCP, the Department of Geology and Geography will do its part by reaching out to the campus community to highlight how Geography can support students, faculty, and staff in their studies, research, and in their daily lives. On Tuesday, November 17, at noon, **Jesse Rouse** (Geology & Geography) will present “Mapping Your Way: Geospatial Technologies in the Classroom and Research” at this month's Digital Soup and Sandwich.



A new Web initiative will be kicked-off with content to support students and faculty in their use of geospatial technologies and geographic information at [www.uncp.edu/geo/gis/](http://www.uncp.edu/geo/gis/). Be sure to visit this site often as new content will be added in the coming months.

Finally, be sure to check out the Geology and Geography Department's new podcast **Spatial@UNCP** (<http://uncp.edu/home/ljrouse/spatial>), which provides a regularly released introduction to spatial topics and will delve into how geospatial technologies are used on campus in future episodes.

While Geography Awareness Week only lasts a few short days a year, geography and spatial thinking has a very real impact on us in our studies and research every day. If you have any questions throughout the year please don't hesitate to contact [geo@uncp.edu](mailto:geo@uncp.edu). For more information about Geography Awareness Week in general please visit <http://www.mywonderfulworld.org> or <http://www.gisday.com> to find out more about GIS Day.

## U.C. Holiday Social is December 2



**Holiday Social:** Join the University Center staff for the annual Holiday Social on Wednesday, December 2, from 10 -1 1:30 a.m. in the U.C. Annex.

The social, emceed by Miss UNCP Katy Locklear, will include heavy hors d'oeuvres, a visit from Santa, music by the Faculty/Staff Jam Band and a holiday charm pin creation station. Come early to participate in a special Holiday Creation Station--Create-an-Ornament (while supplies last). All students, staff and faculty are invited.

**Dance Lessons:** The U.C. is sponsoring dance lessons for the annual Holiday Gala. Lessons will be held in the Annex on December 1 and December 3 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. If you plan to attend the Gala and need to brush up on your dance moves or if you simply want to learn to dance to such hits as the Electric Slide, please plan to join us.

## Drive By Press on campus Nov. 16-17

Drive By Press (DBP) will be on campus on Monday and Tuesday, November 16-17, to give a series of lectures, critiques and demonstrations.

They will be printing in front of Locklear Hall on Monday and in front of the University Center on Tuesday. Hailing from Texas, Drive By Press regularly prints at universities and rock concerts. Check them out at [www.drivebypress.com](http://www.drivebypress.com)

Planned lectures include “Contemporary Graffiti/Street Art,” “History of Printmaking” and the “History of Drive By Press.”

Drive By Press was created in 2005 by two artists and printmakers, Greg Nanney and Joseph Velasquez, who make it their mission to share their enthusiasm for printmaking with audiences everywhere.

They have been dubbed kings of DIY printmaking, and have now traveled over 100,000 miles spreading ink and their style of guerilla art making at events across America.

**Brandon Sanderson** (Art) is coordinating the program.



INDIA: A Country of Mystery and Diversity – *Art, culture and food were featured on October 28 in the Multicultural Center. Presenters were Dr. Siva Mandjiny (Chemistry), Dr. Shilpa Pai (Psychology), Margie and John Labadie (Art), Dr. Gangadhar Hiremath (Mathematics) and Sally Vallabha (Chemistry).*

### Honoring Native Food Ways was attended by 50 on Nov. 12



*Dr. Haladay, left, and Alesia Cummings prepare the feast*

Approximately 50 students, faculty and staff ate contemporary and traditional Native American fare on Nov 12 in the Multicultural Center.

The event was part of Native American Heritage Month and was sponsored by the American Indian Studies (AIS) Department, the Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs

(OMMA), the Native American Resource Center and Sodexo.

The purpose of this drop-in event was to give thanks for the many foods provided to Native American peoples; to learn more about Native food ways; and to sample traditional and contemporary Native foods.

Organizers: **Lawrence Locklear** (UCR), **Dr. Mary Ann Jacobs** (AIS), **Robert Canida** (OMMA), **Dr. Jane Haladay** (AIS), **Tasha Oxendine** (GPAC), **Dr. Rose Strelau** (History), **Becky Goins** (Native American Resource Center), **Lisa Bullard** (OMMA), **Alesia Cummings** (AIS) and Sunshine Costanzo, a student.

Some items on the menu: sweet potato bread, chew bread, pecan and blueberry cake, Aztec chocolate, flour bread and syrup, corn pudding, black-eyed peas and cornbread (fried and baked), wild rice, sweet potatoes, stuffed baked apples, rice and tomatoes, corn soup, collards and sausage with chow-chow, chicken and wild rice soup.



*Students enjoying the meal*

## NASNTI grant making a measurable impact



The Center for Academic Excellence (CAE) continues to offer support services for students with the help of the Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions (NASNTI) grant program.

### **Sophomore Connection**

One of the programs augmented by the NASNTI grant includes the Sophomore Connection (also known as the Second-Year Program), which offers transfer and sophomore students services such as academic advising and tutoring for general education and major courses. The Sophomore Connection also brings in academic speakers, provides specialty programming and assists more students on a day-to-day basis due to the additional staff provided by the NASNTI grant.

Invited speakers present various topics on academic planning and provide workshops for probationary students. The next scheduled speaker is Dean Browell, executive vice president of the Feedback Agency. On Monday, November 9 at 5 p.m. in the U.C. Annex,

Browell will discuss how students can utilize social media to their advantage in job hunts and networking.

### **Faculty, staff development**

A number of staff and faculty involved in the Sophomore Connection attended the National Association for Academic Advising (NACADA) national conference through the NASNTI grant. Attendees included CAE Staff: **Mark Hunt, Rosemarie Glenn, Cynthia Cox Torok, Elizabeth Froeba, Gina Garera, and Douglas Smith**; Faculty: **Dr. Emily Long** (Education), **Debra Branch** (Social Work), **Dr. Shilpa Pai Regan** (Psychology & Counseling), **Dr. Olivia Oxendine** (Education), **Dr. Frankie Denise Powell** (Education), **Dr. Sharon Bell** (Business), **Dr. James Frederick** (Business), and **Dr. Meredith Storms** (Chemistry); and **Dr. Bill Gash** (Academic Affairs).

Through the NASNTI grant, the Sophomore Connection also established Lambda Sigma, a sophomore-only honor society that recognizes academic excellence and instills the importance of leadership and service to its members. The charter class of the Beta Lambda chapter was initiated on October 5.

### **Alumni mentoring**

The Career Center and Alumni Relations offer students opportunities to connect with UNCP alumni through the Student-Alumni Career Connection. This program allows current students to meet with and learn from alumni mentors in a variety of ways. To identify an alumni mentor, students will use the online *Brave Opportunities* system to search through numerous mentor profiles based on job/career industry, job function, degree, extracurricular activities, state and country.

Some activities students and their mentors may take part in include: informational interviews, mock interviews, networking, job shadowing and exploring internship opportunities. An alumni mentor may also be invited to serve as a guest speaker and/or panelist for a class or club. For more information, visit [www.uncp.edu/career](http://www.uncp.edu/career) and click on the “Student-alumni Career Connection” button. The Career Connection program is initially being marketed through Sophomore Connection to second-year students who are in the midst of making career decisions and investigating internship opportunities, but is available to all students.

### **PlusOne**

The PlusOne program at UNCP allows students to take courses in the required composition sequence (ENG 1050 and 1060) in tandem with a one-credit “lab” component. PlusOne students in effect have a four-credit hour composition class rather than a three-credit one.

While PlusOne was initially marketed to students who had attempted the course and not completed it successfully, any student may enroll in these courses, as it is proving beneficial to students outside the targeted group.

Weekly laboratory sessions build on classroom instruction to meet each student’s needs. In the weekly small-group meetings, students are able to ask more detailed questions,

work one-on-one with the instructor or other students, dissect difficult readings or share drafts. The smaller class size encourages even the least vocal students to speak up. Grading for the course is based on active participation and commitment to one's own and others' success.

Results for the PlusOne program so far are encouraging; students in PlusOne earn higher grades on average than do their counterparts in regular composition courses, according to data collected last summer.

For more information on any of the programs listed above or the benefits of the NASNTI grant, please visit [www.uncp.edu/cae](http://www.uncp.edu/cae).



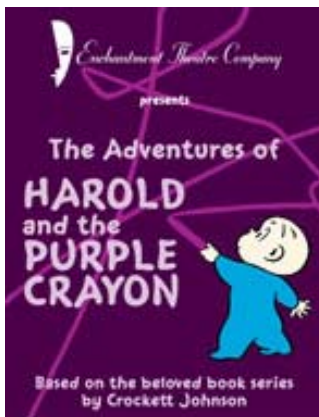
### Letters Home

Monday, November 16, 8 p.m.

Tickets: \$15 Faculty or Staff

“Letters Home” puts the current war in Iraq front and center by bringing to life actual letters written by soldiers serving in the Middle East. The production is inspired by the *New York Times* op-ed article, “The Things They Wrote,” and the subsequent HBO documentary, “Last Letters Home,” and additionally uses letters and correspondences from Frank Schaeffer’s books, “Voices From the Front,” “Letters Home From America’s Military Family,” “Faith of Our Sons” and “Keeping Faith.” The play, without politicizing, gives audiences a powerful portrait of the soldier experience in the

ongoing war. The initial production last winter was critically acclaimed and was nominated for a Joseph Jefferson Award for Outstanding New Play.



### The Adventures of Harold & the Purple Crayon

Thursday, November 19, 10 a.m.

Students: \$7, Teachers: \$8, Adults: \$10

Grades: Pre-K and up

“One evening, after thinking it over for some time, Harold decided to go for a walk in the moonlight.” So begins Harold and the Purple Crayon, the first of seven delightful picture books by Crockett Johnson, following. Theatre’s production will take your school and family audiences on a wild ride as Harold jets to Mars (shooting stars, space ships!), joins a circus (he walks a tightrope!) and meets a king in an enchanted

garden (of course, there’s a dragon). The “Harold” books have captivated families for more than 50 years, celebrating the imagination of children and the unique way they see the world.

## Musical Theatre presents two productions on Nov. 19



The Musical Theatre Scenes Showcase presents "Bit By Bit" and "The Diary of Adam and Eve" (from "The Apple Tree") at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19 in Moore Hall Auditorium.

**Hal Davis** (Music) is directing. There is no admission charge, but seating is limited in Moore Hall.

The show features songs and scenes from: "Spring Awakening," "Putting It Together," "Fantasticks," "The Last 5 Years," "Little Shop of Horrors" and others.

### MUSIC DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCES

Moore Hall (*except as noted*)

**NOVEMBER 16 - 7:30 PM (Moore Hall Room 217)**

Music Business Lecture Series

**NOVEMBER 17 - 7:30 PM**

Jazz Combo Concert

**NOVEMBER 18 - 10:00 AM**

Moore Hall Recital Series: The Tully-Hull Flute and Guitar Duo

**NOVEMBER 19 - 6:00 PM**

Early Music Ensemble Concert

**NOVEMBER 19 - 7:30 PM**

Musical Theatre Scenes

**NOVEMBER 20 - 7:30 PM**

Choral Concert

**NOVEMBER 23 - 7:30 PM**

Senior Recital: Joshua Fleetwood, piano

**DECEMBER 1 - 6:00 PM (GPAC-outside)**

Tuba Christmas

**DECEMBER 1 - 7:30 PM (GPAC)**

Holiday Extravaganza, Scholarship Fundraiser

**DECEMBER 2 - 6:00 PM**

Recital: Seung-Ah Kim's Class Piano II

**DECEMBER 2 - 7:30 PM**

Senior Recital: Matthew Jorgensen, trumpet; Heather Oliver, clarinet

**DECEMBER 3 - 7:30 PM**

Percussion Ensemble Concert

**DECEMBER 4 - 7:30 PM**

Senior Recital: Mark Roddy, percussion

**DECEMBER 6 - 2:00 PM**

Global Rhythm Ensemble Concert

# UNCP PEOPLE

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## UNCP represented at Conference for Elementary Educators



**Dr. Lisa Mitchell** (Education), **Rebecca Berdeau** (Education) and **Dr. Sara Simmons** (Graduate Studies) presented at the Sixth Annual Elementary School Conference held at the Raleigh Convention Center on October 25-27. The conference theme was “Energizing

Elementary Educators.”

The presentation by Dr. Mitchell and Berdeau focused on “Quality Teaching.” Dr. Mitchell presented a session titled “Integrate, Collaborate, and Authenticate: Using Journals and Reflection in Elementary Classrooms Connecting through the Visual Arts.”

Berdeau’s session was titled “Sharing a Small World: Environmental Education Activities for Young Learners.”

Dr. Simmons focused on the conference theme of “Promoting Global Understanding” and led a session titled “Using Culturally Responsive Practices to Energize the Learning Environment.”

The Elementary School Conference is sponsored by the North Carolina Association of Elementary Educators (NCAEE), the only professional organization in the state - and one of only two in the nation - expressly established to advocate for and to serve elementary educators and elementary level children. Dr. Simmons is the founding president of the organization, which launched in 2005.

The 2009 conference was attended by more than 400 elementary level educators from North Carolina and several other states. Dr. Simmons and **Dr. Valjeaner Ford** (Education) served on the conference planning committee. **Ms. Kelly Ficklin** (Education) was among the attendees at the conference. Further information about NCAEE can be found at <http://www.ncelementary.org>.

## Honors College students, faculty attend national council



Esther Maynor Honors College students Grant Merritt, Kelly Niccum, Tiffany Schmidt and Jorge Piocuda, and faculty members **Dr. Jesse Peters** (English, Honors College) and **Dr. Jennifer Bonds-Raacke** (Psychology, Honors College) attended the National Collegiate Honors Council in Washington, D.C., on October 28 - November 1.

The following presentations were given:

- Grant Merritt: “Master Film Class”
- Kelly Niccum and **Dr. John Raacke** (Psychology): “Athlete Obedience: When a Coach Pushes Too Far”
- Jorge Piocuda and Dr. John Raacke “Music and Problem-Solving Ability”
- Tiffany Schmidt and Dr. Jenn Bonds-Raacke: “The Benefits of Visibility: Forming a Partnership with the Student Newspaper”
- Dr. Peters and Dr. Jenn Bonds-Raacke: “Examining Retention Rates and Years to Graduation of Honors Students”
- Dr. Peters and Leslie Heaphy: “Living and Learning: The Importance of Community in Successful Honors Programs”

## Japan’s leading newspaper interviewed Dr. Annika Culver



In its October 22<sup>nd</sup> edition, *The Daily Yomiuri* quoted **Dr. Annika Culver** (History) in an article about the success of “100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan,” a book collection sold internationally by the Nippon Foundation. The newspaper is Japan’s largest circulating daily newspaper.

The collection on the history and culture of Japan has been sent to 240 universities and other institutions around the globe including UNCP. Dr. Culver secured a grant to purchase the books for the Livermore Library.

Dr. Culver, who coordinates UNCP’s new Asian Studies Program, praised the collection in her comments to the newspaper.

“The collection of 100 books offers some news sources and some classics on Japanese history and culture by diverse authors,” she said. “It infuses our library with new sources on Japan.”

## Dr. Worix, Deese attend National AISES Conference



**Dr. Velinda Worix** (Biology & NC-LSAMP) and **Valarie Deese** (NC-LSAMP) attended the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) National Conference and Career Fair in Portland, Ore., on October 29-31.

Dr. Worix was a judge of the graduate poster session for the fifth year. Three students also attended, with one presenting research he had conducted last spring with **Dr. Patricia Sellers** (Biology).



## Dr. Paparozzi's former student was co-author of paper



*The Prison Journal* published a paper co-authored by **Dr. Mario Paparozzi** (Sociology & Criminal Justice) and Dr. Joel Caplan of Rutgers University. The paper concerns the use of discretionary decision making in granting paroles, a controversial practice.

Dr. Paparozzi has a long history with his co-author. Dr. Caplan was in the first class that Dr. Paparozzi taught full-time at the university level.

“Joel went on to get his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania,” Dr. Paparozzi said. “This August, he was appointed to the faculty of the School of Criminal Justice at Rutgers University as an assistant professor. Rutgers is consistently ranked nationally in the five graduate schools for criminal justice.”

## AiPP gives Adam Walls its People's Choice Award

"Memory Bomb" by **Adam Walls** (Art) is beside the Bristol (Tenn.) Fire Department.

Walls was the winner of the People's Choice Award in Bristol's Art in Public Places 2009-10 competition with "Memory Bomb," pictured here.



Walls described the piece as “very user-friendly and interactive.”

Housed inside the opening is a music box that plays a lullaby. This music box is from a

teddy bear that was passed down to the artist from his brother when he was very young. It's been an outdoor piece for over a year now, and it still works.

“In this piece, a simple wind-up music box is used to bring up memories of childhood, yet the image of this time-worn, dangerous-looking sculpture warns us that there is a price to be paid for some unwanted memories,” he concluded.

## Dr. Paporozzi to chair group for state planning



**Dr. Mario Paporozzi** (Sociology & Criminal Justice) was asked to chair a cost effectiveness work group for a state Youth Accountability Planning Task Force.

The Task Force is responding to a legislative act, and the N.C. Senate and House are required to make a series of policy recommendations based on the work of the task force. The co-chairs of the task force are Sen. Ellie Kinnaird and Rep. Alice Bordsen.

The next meeting is set for the morning of December 1. The meeting will launch the three working groups.

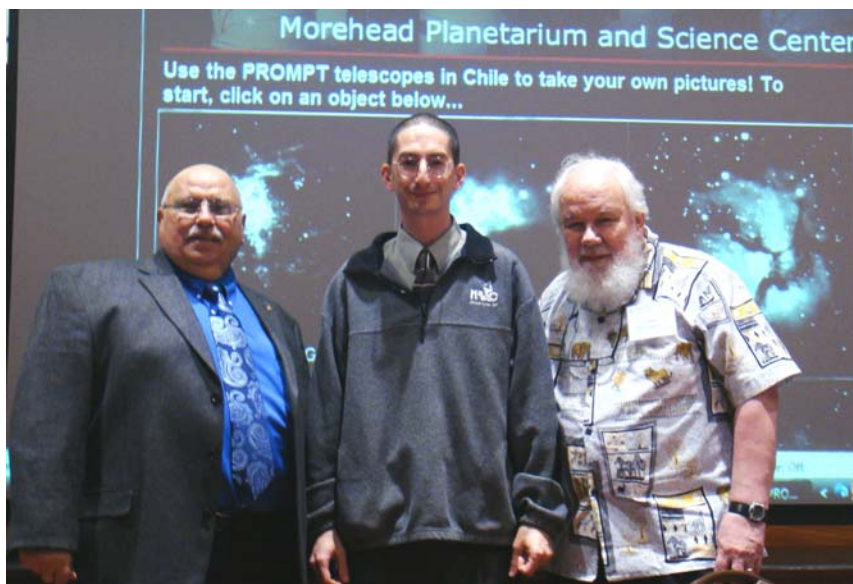
## June Power presented at national library conference



**June Power** (Library) presented a paper at the Access Services Conference 2009 on November 11-12 at Georgia Tech in Atlanta.

Her presentation, titled “Training 2.0,” discussed training of staff and student assistants.

The conference is an opportunity for library staff in the access services field to meet with other professionals to discuss issues related to circulation, reserves, inter-library loans, student worker management, security and other topics.



*Dr. D'Arruda, left,  
with guests Dr.  
John Hubisz and  
Dr. Dan Reichart*

## UNCP hosted physics teachers annual meeting

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Meeting of the North Carolina Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers (NCS-AAPT) was October 23-24 at UNCP. The theme was "Waves in Physics."

The NCS-AAPT fall meeting kicked-off Friday afternoon with a workshop by UNCP's **Dr. Bill Brandon** (Physics) about improving the teaching laboratory through DIY apparatus development. He talked about the benefits of engaging in apparatus development for teaching labs that are synergistic in promoting and maintaining a healthy physics department.

At the dinner, guest speaker Dr. Dan Reichart was introduced by **Dr. Jose D'Arruda** (Physics & Astronomy). Dr. Reichart is a professor at UNC-Chapel Hill and is the director of the Skynet Robotic Telescope Network and the Morehead Observatory

Dr. Reichart spoke on "Birthing Black Holes: PROMPT and the Skynet Robotic Telescope Network." PROMPT and Skynet are a set of telescopes in Chile that are accessible by elementary, high school and college students through remote access and use of the Internet.

On Saturday more than 25 papers were presented by professors from across the state, including UNCP professors from the Chemistry and Physics Department: **Drs. Paul Flowers, Len Holmes, Siva Mandjiny, Tom Dooling, Ken Brandt, Brandon and D'Arruda.**

UNCP students Jason York and Mike Everhart talked about how measuring the transit and occultation times of the moons of planet Jupiter could calculate an exact longitude. This was a project mentored by Dr. D'Arruda and in collaboration with Dr. T. Boronenko of Tomsk Pedagogical University in Siberia, Russia to celebrate the International Year of Astronomy.

Several UNCP students presented posters of their research including Brayam Pinilla's "A Method for Studying Non-Planar String Motion," Samantha Hutcheson's "Automated Faraday Rotation Apparatus for Investigating Band Parameters," Floyd Inman's "The Creation of a Plasmid Vector for the Genomic Integration of the Gene for GFP into *Salmonella enteritidis*," Johnathan Locklear's "Bioluminescent transformed *Escherichia coli* MM294Lux+ to study forces under simulated hypergravity," Brittany Locklear's "Micro propagation of Ornamental plants" and Heather Taylor's "The mass production of entomopathogenic nematodes."

"All of the students did an excellent job presenting their research, and we look forward to seeing more of their work at the next AAPT meeting," Dr. D'Arruda said. "To sum up the fall AAPT meeting, it was a success! Many left with skills and knowledge about something they didn't have before the meeting to take back to use with their own students."



*This photo is from Dr. Dooling's presentation on using computer-generated 3-D to show physics demonstration on a projection screen.*

## Dr. Hanmer updates local Master Gardeners on biochar

Plant pathologist **Dr. Deborah Hanmer** (Biology) hosted 11 of Robeson County's Master Gardeners on November 9.

Dr. Hanmer discussed biochar, which is being studied as a soil additive that may work to hold nutrients in poor soils for centuries. The professor is conducting ongoing research on biochar at UNCP.



“Biochar as a soil amendment is a relatively new idea that was discovered by studying Amazonian soil called Terra Preta,” Dr. Hanmer said. “Terra Preta soils were created by ancient indigenous peoples of the Amazon. Scientists want to know why 1,000-year old soil is still so fertile.”

Produced by heating wood - and sometimes chicken manure - at high temperatures and in low oxygen conditions, studies show that biochar, pictured here, has several benefits including enhanced soil fertility, carbon sequestering and production of gas for energy, Dr. Hanmer said.

Sponsored by N.C. Cooperative Extension Service, the Master Gardener program



provides advanced training and asks its graduates to volunteer and educate others.

Dr. Hanmer said the study of biochar is ongoing internationally as are her studies locally.

“Besides getting the word out, I would like to get a unit to make biochar for further study,” she said.

Master Gardeners - *Polly Cunningham, Lournetta Cain, Linda L. Clark, Carolyn Britt, Betty Colville, Angus McCormick, Farleigh Rozier, Dan Cunningham, Helen George, Maureen Thompson, Doris Bryan and Kerrie Roac, extension agent. Dr. Deborah Hanmer is 3<sup>rd</sup> from the left in the 2<sup>nd</sup> row.*

## Cookie Walk will gather toys for children this holiday

Want to give back this holiday season to students and community at the same time without taking up too much of your time?

What: COOKIE WALK

When: Thursday, December 3

Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Where: U.C. Lounge

Bring: Any baked goods!

Why: So students have sweets to eat as they study hard for final exams, and community children can enjoy the holidays with cheer.

As a staff/faculty member you will bake a sweet treat (cookies, brownies, etc.) and bring it to the U.C. Lounge on the day of the event. That's all! All students will have the opportunity to walk through the U.C. Lounge and take as many sweets and they want!

Students or others who wish to purchase sweets must bring a toy or toys that will be donated as a part of the toy drive Burnt Swamp Baptist Association holds every year. These toys will be given out to families in our local community. The price tag of the toy(s) must be at least \$3 (Three toys from the Dollar Tree are acceptable). The toy(s) must be in the original packaging (unopened). If students want to participate and they do not have a toy to donate, they can pay \$5 to take sweets home.

To donate goodies or for more information, please contact **Chika Kusakawa** (Leadership & Service) at [chika.kusakawa@uncp.edu](mailto:chika.kusakawa@uncp.edu).

## UNCP had winners in CHEVY TO THE LEVEE

The Chevy to the Levee Road Race was October 25 in Lumberton. Here are the results for the UNCP community participants:

### FEMALE OVERALL RESULTS

1. **Shannon McLean** (Alumnae)

### MALE OVERALL

1. **Michael Jimenez** (Alumnus)

### FEMALE AGE GROUP: 15 - 19

3. **Julia Dent** - daughter of **Dr. Eric Dent** (Business)

### FEMALE AGE GROUP: 20 - 24

1. **Chrissy Swett** - daughter of **Aubrey Swett** (Leadership & Service)

### MALE AGE GROUP: 40 - 44

3. **Dr. Scott Billingsley** (History)

### MALE AGE GROUP: 55 - 59

2. **Dan Kenney** (Athletics)

### FEMALE AGE GROUP: 60 - 64

1. **Marion Thompson** (Languages)

### MALE AGE GROUP: 70 - 99

2. **Sen. David Weinstein** (Former Trustee)



### A '60s Halloween at the Bookstore

*Bookstore staff - back row from left: **Jacinta Locklear, Karen Swiney, Karen Miller, Valerie Turnmire, Keats Ellis and Monika Lowry.** Front row from left: **Reggie Lowery and Deidamia Gonzalez.***

#### *Births*

**Dalsray Jacobs** (Facilities Operations) and **Laten Jones** (Grounds) are proud grandparents of a baby boy. Darren Ray Jacobs was born on November 8 at 12:55 p.m., weighing 5 lbs. 4oz., and he was 18 1/2 inches long. Dallas Ray Jacobs Jr. and Starlette Jacobs are the proud parents.

#### *Deaths*

Arlene Dayle Locklear '75 passed away on October 18. She is the sister of **Sherry Chavis** (Accounts Payable).

**Monika Lowry's** (Bookstore) father passed away on Saturday, October 31.

# Jingle Bell 5K Run/Walk

**No Entry Fee! Donations Welcome.**

**Proceeds raised will benefit the Dr. Mary Guy Beaver Recreation Student Scholarship Fund.**

**Wednesday, December 2, 2009**

**Time: 10:30 a.m.**

**UC Lawn next to Campbell Wellness Center**



**GET FIT PARTICIPATES**

The top 6 Get Fit Participants who raise the most money in sponsors will get bonus points. 10-8-6-4-2-1

Every Get Fit Pembroke contest who walks will get 3 POINTS!

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## AWARDS!

- Award for Fastest Male
- Award for Fastest Female
- Award for best holiday Costume!

**Indemnity Statement:**

YOU UNDERSTAND THAT PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT IS POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS, AND THAT A REGISTERED PARTY SHOULD NOT PARTICIPATE UNLESS THEY ARE MEDICALLY ABLE AND PROPERLY TRAINED. YOU UNDERSTAND THAT EVENTS MAY BE HELD OVER PUBLIC ROADS AND FACILITIES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE EVENT AND UPON WHICH HAZARDS ARE TO BE EXPECTED. PARTICIPATION CARRIES WITH IT CERTAIN INHERENT RISKS THAT CANNOT BE ELIMINATED COMPLETELY RANGING FROM MINOR INJURIES TO CATASTROPHIC INJURIES INCLUDING DEATH. YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT IN CONSIDERATION OF BEING PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT, YOU AND ANY REGISTERED PARTY, THE HEIRS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS OF YOU OR THE REGISTERED PARTY DO HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND CONVEYANT NOT TO SUE ACTIVE FOR ANY AND ALL LIABILITY FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS ARISING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT BY YOU OR ANY REGISTERED PARTY.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age on race day \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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*Birthdays November 16 - 30*

- Baker, Anthony
- Brooks, Tela
- Bullard, Lisa

Burns, David  
Charlton, Kelly  
Chavis, Johnny  
Dees, Pattie  
Dehart, Bruce  
Dent, Eric  
Edkins, Susan  
Elk, Amelia  
Froebe, Elizabeth  
Gane, Jan  
Gibbs, Jamie  
Graham, Amie  
Hannant, Joseph  
Jones, Laten  
Kelley, Bonnie  
Lee, Raymond  
Locklear, Brenda  
Locklear, Jacquelyn  
Locklear, Judith  
Locklear, Lawrence  
Locklear, Penny  
Locklear, Stanphane  
Martin, William  
McBroom, Douglas  
Mensah, Edwin  
Parnell, John  
Rogers, James  
Shin, Dong Jun  
Strickland, Sandra  
Tirla, Cornelia  
Tucker, Karen  
West, Lillie

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