

**Mr. Frederick Stephens** : is currently a tenured Assistant Professor of Social Work at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, where he has taught for 20 years. He is a Ph.D. student at Capella University where his dissertation topic is "University Students' Attitudes about Attributing Blame in Domestic Violence." His areas of interest include violence prevention, sensitivity to differences, and social work practice evaluation. He continues to practice clinical work in a small private practice. Professor Stephens is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW).

**Ms. Geri Weaver** is a Senior at UNC Pembroke majoring in both Social Work and Criminal Justice. She is a member of the Campus Association of Social Workers, the National Society for Leadership and Success, and Phi Theta Kappa. Ms. Weaver also serves on the Board of Directors for Camp Quest South Carolina, and is the founder and President of Central North Carolina Atheists and Humanists. Her goal is to pursue a career where she can continue to advocate for social justice and equality for all.

**Mr. Storm Silvermane**: is the President and co-founder of the Sandhills GLBT-S Alliance based in Fayetteville, NC. His personal experience with bullying has been associated with coming out as a teenager in a conservative family and school, as well as coming out as a transgender person as an adult. Storm holds a Bachelor's in Human Services Management and plans to pursue his Master's in Psychology.

**Ms. Janice McIntyre**: is a Human Resource Consultant in the NC Office of State Personnel. Janice has presented on different topics such as diversity, ethics, human interactions in the workplace. Her educational and work background is in business administration, with a focus in the areas of corporate development, training, and instructional technology. She has completed the Human Resource Management Certificate Program at Duke University & the Human Resource Generalist Certificate Program with The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM).

### SPOKEN WORD ARTIST

**Ms. Petrina Bryant aka Trin-A-Thoughtz**: is a community activist who speaks out against a variety of topics. She will take you on a lyrical journey exploring different parts of her mind while leaving you mesmerized with messages you won't ever forget. As stated by Thoughtz, "We live in a society where people need to quit tip-toeing around the harshness of reality and save our people lives. We are losing our youth & adults to the streets and I plan to help save them... **ONE POEM AT A TIME.**"

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

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Sincerely,

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## *The Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs*

### *4th Annual Social Justice Symposium*

### *"The Many Faces of Bullying"*



**Stop Bullying!**

No one deserves to feel worthless -

*Rebecca Black*

**August 31, 2011**

**Wednesday**

**6pm-9pm**

**UC Annex Assembly Room**

Keynote Speaker

**Dr. Steve L. Nguyen Robbins**



## SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

6:00 pm **Welcome and Introduction**  
Mr. Robert L. Canida, II, Director, OMMA  
Mrs. Sarah Carter, 1st Lady, UNC Pembroke  
Ms. Petrina Bryant, Spoken Word Artist  
Ms. Ashley Cole, VP of SAGA (intro of speaker)  
[Keynote Speaker: Dr. Steve Robbins](#)

7-7:45 pm **Panel Dialogue (Questions and Answers)**

Panelists will share their experiences and useful information to the audience, as it relates to bullying from an educational, human civility, legal and student perspectives. The goal is to engage the audience in a lively dialogue that furthers their understanding of the topic.

8-8:45 pm **Talking Table Dialogues**

Participants will be engaged by skilled and experienced moderators in healthy and informative discussions around the topics of cyber bullying, anti-bullying by stander, glbt bullying, faith bullying and workplace/harassment bullying.

8:50-9 pm **Closing Remarks, Entertainment & Refresh.**

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

A powerful storyteller with a powerful story to tell, Dr. Steve L. Robbins has an unmatched ability to inspire people even in the midst of disrupting and challenging the way they think about the world. Born in Vietnam, Dr. Robbins immigrated to the United States when he was five years old. Working through and rising out of the challenges of poverty, discrimination and the tough streets of Los Angeles, Dr. Robbins now brings insightful perspectives on issues of diversity, inclusion, and the power of caring.

A published author and highly requested speaker, he has presented at numerous conferences and workshops across the nation. His book, *"What if?: Short Stories to Spark Diversity Dialogue,"* is used by many organizations as to help them further develop their ability to engage in much needed conversations about diversity and inclusion in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Dr. Robbins received his Bachelors in communication from Calvin College and his Masters and Ph.D. in communication from Michigan State University.

## PANELISTS

- Ms. Lauren Bell, UNCP Student, Panel Moderator
- Mr. Alex Miller, Interim ED for Equality NC
- Judge Herbert Richardson, Robeson County Dis. Crt.
- Ms. Ashton Young, UNCP student, President of DSO
- Ms. Vonda Graham, School Counselor with the PSRC
- Ms. Geri Weaver, UNCP student, President of CNCAHC

## TALKING TABLE DIALOGUES

- **Cyber Bullying**  
Moderator: Dr. Chris Corbett, UNCP Psychologist
- **Anti-Bullying By Stander**  
Moderator: Professor Frederick Stephens, UNCP Social Work
- **GLBT Bullying**  
Moderator: Mr. Storm Silvermane, Co-Founder and President of the Sandhills GLBT Alliance
- **Faith Bullying**  
Moderator: Ms. Geri Weaver, UNCP student and President of Central NC Atheists & Humanists
- **Work Place/Harassment Bullying**  
Moderator: Ms. Janice McIntyre, OSP HR Consultant

## PANELISTS AND FACILITATORS

[Mr. Alexander C. Miller:](#) is serving as the interim Executive Director for Equality North Carolina, a GLBT advocacy group in North Carolina. As a former Infantry Squad Leader in the U.S. Army, and now an accomplished political consultant, Miller is no stranger to hard-fought battles or significant victories, including those for the LGBT community. Miller is a graduate of Pacific Lutheran University and received his Masters of Social Work from the University of North Carolina in 2007.

[Judge Herbert Richardson:](#) The Honorable Herbert L. Richardson, Sr. has one of the longest tenures of any current active member of the North Carolina judiciary, having served as a District Court judge since 1979. From 1994 through 2000 he served as Chief District Court Judge. In 2006 the North Carolina Bar Association presented Judge Richardson with the Association's Liberty Bell Award. A native of Nash County, Judge Richardson obtained both his B.A. degree and his J.D. degree from North Carolina Central University.

[Ms. Ashton Young:](#) is a Senior at UNC Pembroke, majoring in Elementary Education with a focus in psychology. Ashton plans to pursue her graduate degree in Elementary Education. Currently she is the President of UNC Pembroke's student organization, Delta Sigma Omicron.

[Ms. Vonda J. Graham:](#) is a School Counselor at South Robeson High School in Rowland, North Carolina. Vonda has been a School Counselor with the Public Schools of Robeson County since 2005. She taught with the public schools for 2 years and 1 year with the Odom Home in Pembroke. She received a B.S. degree in Biology from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

[Dr. Christopher Corbett:](#) is a licensed psychologist in the Counseling and Testing Center at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke where he serves as the Assessment Coordinator. His professional interests include assessment, crisis management, clinical supervision, and the interactions of social life and social media. He is a member of the American College Counseling Association, American Psychological Association, and North Carolina Disaster Relief Network.