

WE CARE

WE CARE Warmth Empathy Compassion Acceptance Respect Equity

From November 17-22, the WE CARE orange ribbon campaign swept across Lehigh's campus. In an attempt to unite as a community against discrimination, the campaign aimed to demonstrate our care, support, and respect for each other. The campaign was kicked off the afternoon of November 17 followed by the student-led Speak Out rally in front of the STEPS Building. Orange ribbons were distributed to all those who visited the rally and to individuals stopping by WE CARE information tables in the University Center and Ulrich student center. In light of recent campus events, tables provided information about the history of Blackface as well as suggestions for standing up and speaking out against everyday bigotry. Faculty, staff, and



students who visited the table engaged in dialogue with the table hosts about their knowledge or lack thereof about the history of Blackface and their desire to become more involved in making Lehigh an inclusive campus. Those who were unable to visit the tables

emailed requesting information and orange ribbons to distribute and display in their departments and offices.

It is anticipated that WE CARE will continue in many capacities. Graduate students who organized the initiative would like to expand the campaign and promote it annually. Covering the campus with orange ribbons that symbolize diversity and multiculturalism will evolve into a diversity speaker series and workshops that speak to the idea of inclusion and gaining cultural competence. For more information about WE CARE and/or to receive your free orange ribbon, contact mrc@lehigh.edu.

Special points of interest:

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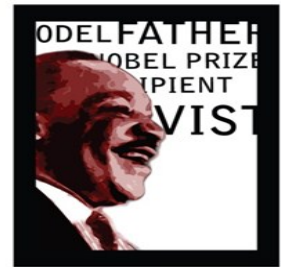
2011 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION WEEK

“One man, Many faces: The identities of MLK“

JANUARY 25-28, 2011

In celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Lehigh will host seven consecutive events the week of January 25th. The theme “One man, Many faces: The identities of MLK“ aims to capture the multiple cultures in which MLK identified. As a scholar, pastor, father, activist, and fraternity member, MLK was connected to an enormous network of people similar to the Lehigh community. It is our hope that multiculturalism will be embraced by all members of Lehigh through the celebration of MLK, because he didn't just fight for African Americans, he fought for all of us!

2011 MLK WEEK CELEBRATION
MARTIN
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 25TH at 4:30PM, **TIM WISE MEET AND GREET FOR FACULTY**, SPACE IS LIMITED
*PLEASE RSVP TO QUIANA DANIEL AT QMD208@LEHIGH.EDU

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25TH at 7:30PM, **MLK KEYNOTE SPEAKER TIM WISE**, PACKARD 101

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 12:00PM, **MLK MARCH AND SPEAK OUT**, MEET OUTSIDE U-HOUSE
*WILL RESUME IN LAMBERTON AT 12:15PM, LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26TH at 7:00PM, **MLK ORATORICAL**, LAMBERTON

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27TH at 8:15AM, **INTERFAITH BREAKFAST**, SPACE IS LIMITED
*PLEASE RSVP TO SETH GOREN AT SEG208@LEHIGH.EDU BY JANUARY 20TH

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27TH at 4:30PM, **MLK AWARDS AND CONVOCATION**, LAMBERTON
*RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28TH at 7:00PM, **MLK CLOSING CEREMONY**

NEXT SEMESTER IN THE MRC...

Cultural movie and discussion series

In an attempt to engage graduate students seeking more opportunities to interact with each other, we would like to host a few movie nights during the semester to serve multiple purposes: (1) to gain awareness and knowledge of cultures we have little exposure to; (2) to provide students with the opportunity to talk, eat, and network; and (3) to facilitate dialogues that rarely generate within the classroom. For more information, suggestions, or requests, contact mrc@lehigh.edu.



MRC LibGuide (<http://libraryguides.lehigh.edu/index.php>)

The MRC is currently developing a LibGuide that will house a number of multicultural resources specific to each COE program: counseling psychology, school psychology, TLT, special education, CIE, and Educational Leadership. These resources will be generated through suggestions from faculty, staff, and students of what they consider a valuable resource in their field. The LibGuide will also allow users to comment and ask questions about a resource of interest. A formal request will be sent to all programs regarding material to share with the COE community through the MRC LibGuide. For more information or to suggest a resource, contact mrc@lehigh.edu.

Open Diversity Committee meetings and consultation opportunities

Next semester, the COE Diversity Committee will hold one open meeting allowing all members of the COE to attend one of their monthly committee meetings. This meeting will allow members of the college to provide suggestions and initiate discussions that the committee will incorporate into their programs and projects throughout the year. In addition to the open meetings, the expertise of COE students, faculty, and staff will be requested at certain points in the year to assist our efforts. It is our hope that these initiatives will begin a collective process of change management throughout the COE with regards to diversity and multiculturalism. Meeting dates and further requests will be advertised via the MRC mailing list and the COE digest.



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The MRC seeks to foster knowledge, skills, understanding, and awareness in the area of multiculturalism and diversity. Its core goals are to: (1) Create a space with resources to foster discussion and development , (2) Foster a culture among faculty, staff, and students that is supportive of and open to diverse perspectives and experiences, (3) Help develop the school community to better reflect the diverse communities served by the College's fields of professional practice and (4) Strengthen the curriculum across programs to better reflect issues of multiculturalism and diversity.

Check out www.lehigh.edu/mrc for updates, events, and the monthly newsletter MRC NEWS!

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes in the New Year!!!

