

SAVE THE DATES:

March 30–April 1, 2008

18th Annual Equity in the Classroom Conference

Inclusion, Leadership, and the Classroom: Making the Connection

A conference for faculty, staff, and administrators who are willing to implement new ideas and strategies in campus programming, curriculum and faculty recruitment.

The focus of the conference is on achieving parity in enrollment, retention, and graduation for the underrepresented students of color and academically and economically disadvantaged students in higher education.

Hosted by Ferris State University, Big Rapids, Michigan

The conference is sponsored by the King-Chavez-Parks Initiative, and 15 public and five private universities along with GEAR UP Michigan!

Featured Speakers:

Paul Loeb, author of *The Impossible Will Take a Little While*, *Soul of a Citizen*, *Generation at the Crossroads*, *Nuclear Culture*, and *Hope in Hard Times*.

Plenary Session, 9:00 A.M.
Monday, March 31, *Soul of a Citizen: Living with Conviction in a Cynical Time*.

Melissa Harris-Lacewell
author of *Barbershops*, *Bibles and BET: Everyday Talk and Black Political Thought*.

Luncheon Speaker, Monday
March 31, *Teaching Race through the Stories We Know*.

Jeff Mangram and SST COMMUNICATIONS of
Chicago, IL

Evening Performance, 7:00
P.M. Monday March 31, *Synergy from Others: Cultural Diversity on Campus*

James W. Loewen author of *Lies My Teacher Told Me*, *Lies Across America*, and *Sundown Towns*.

Plenary Session 9:00 A.M.,
Tuesday, April 1, *Racist History and What To Do about It*.