Friday, November 16th

5.30–7 p.m.  **Registration**  – Hoover Price Campus Center

7.30–9.30 p.m.  **Welcome, Ice Breakers, B.E.A.D Project**  –Kresge Dining Hall, Hoover Price Campus Center

10 p.m.–midnight  **Social Activity** (music, dancing, pizza, and wings) – Campus Grounds, Hoover Price Campus Center

Saturday, November 17th

8–9 a.m.  **Registration**  – Lobby of Presser Recital Hall

9–10.30 a.m.  **Welcome and Keynote**  – Presser Recital Hall

**Keynote Speaker:**  *Gustav “Gus” F. Drollinger*

Mr. Drollinger will be discussing the current state of diversity in modern society by relaying his personal experiences as a minority and majority and his personal journey to activism and advocacy. He will first explore his own diversity and some challenges he faces and will introduce this year's theme of "Imagine If" with different scenarios he's personally witnessed happening here in America. He will also explore and challenge the causatives of these adversities that minorities continue to face while we fight to bring America into the multicultural pluralism that our great nation deserves.

10.45–11.45 a.m.  **Breakout Sessions**  – Block 1

**Guess Who's Straight**  –  *Panel Discussion*  
**Location:** T&H 100

Who’s gay? Who’s straight? How do you know? This fun panel discussion will challenge your thinking and break down stereotypes as the audience asks questions to identify the sexual orientation of the panel members.

**It All Started With … Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) and Black Greek Organizations** -  *Mr. Corey D. Grubbs, Principal, Timken High School, Canton, Ohio and Dr. Michelle Spain, Associate Professor of Business and Director of the Center for Business Collaboration, Walsh University*

**Location:** T&H 101

From the first Black fraternity created on an HBCU campus to today’s largest Black greek letter sorority, learn how these greek organizations were started and the reason they are still important today.

**It Doesn’t Take a Book to Understand Me**  –  *Panel Discussion*  
**Location:** EBB 203

Any psychology textbook will give us information about mental illness, but what have we really learned other than definitions? Television shows, movies and other media outlets portray people with mental illness, but what have we really learned other than stereotypes and myths? Through this panel discussion, we learn first-hand from those with mental illness that living well and recovery are possible.
From Barbie to Buffy, Hermione, Bella & Beyond: Reading & Writing Gender In (Post)
Modern America- Dr. Michelle Collins-Sibley, Professor of English and Director of Africana Studies, and Director of Interdisciplinary Studies, University of Mount Union Location: EBB 206

Amazons, Glamazons and Metrosexuals, Oh My! From classic mythology through popular novels, literature has shaped and continues to shape our understanding of and expectations about gender and gender roles. The stories we tell and are told construct our ideas about sex, gender, sexuality and sexual orientation.

Intercultural Relationships in the United States - Dr. Jim Thoma, Associate Academic Dean of the University, Professor of Human Performance and Sports Business, University of Mount Union and Judy Thoma Location: T&H 130

An American man meets a Malaysian woman and falls in love...sort of. Learn about how one couple maneuvered through cultural differences and were able to find happiness as well as how they raised their children to appreciate, understand and have a sense of pride for their heritage.

12–1 p.m. Breakout Sessions – Block 2

The Seediest Side of Slavery: The History of Sex Trafficking. – Dr. Theresa Davis, Professor of History with concentration in Women’s History, University of Mount Union Location: T&H 100

We are taught about historical slavery that was racially and ethnically based, but sexually based slavery has existed throughout history as well. Today, females as young as six have been forced to serve their “master” as sexual servants. Learn more about the history of sex trafficking and its modern existence.

Imagine if...We Actually Respected Our Differences – Rev. Marty Cashburless, University Chaplain, University of Mount Union Location: EBB 203

What do world religions have to say about homosexuality? The presenter will explore different religious viewpoints referencing material from Arlene Swidler’s Homosexuality and World Religions.

Who’s That Boy? - Richard Jackson, Assistant Dean of Students and Director, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, University of Mount Union Location: EBB 206

Imagine being the first black person to integrate a well-known university in the South. Join us for James Meredith’s story at the University of Mississippi in 1962 and learn about the racial issues that are still alive in 2012.

The Experience of Foreigners at Mount Union in 1970s and Now - Dr. Naoko Oyabu-Mathis, Professor of Sociology, University of Mount Union Location: T&H 101

Learn about the environment within the classroom and around campus for a foreigner and how it may have changed since Dr. Oyabu-Mathis was here as a Mount Union student. She will also discuss the communication between international and domestic students from the perspective of a member of the faculty.
Stereotypes and Derogatory Terms toward Hispanics - Dr. Gregg Courtad, Professor of Spanish, University of Mount Union  Location: T&H 130

Lazy, Illegal, Spic or Wetback: these are stereotypes and derogatory terms that have been placed on Latino and Hispanic Americans. Learn about the origin of these terms and their meaning as well as how to educate others.

1:15-2:15 p.m.  Lunch – Campus Grounds, Hoover Price Campus Center

2:30-3:30 p.m.  Breakout Sessions – Block 3

Wide is the Welcome: Imagining Religious Diversity on Campus - Rev. Erica Brown
Location: EBB 203
Explore what religious diversity looks like on different campuses and ways we can promote acceptance and create open dialogue about religions different from our own.

Journey to America - Hiliberto Flores, Owner of Jalisco’s Mexican Restaurant, Alliance, Ohio
Location: T&H 101
Hiliberto is a Mexican American who was born and raised in Mexico. He came to the United States with a dream and it became a reality for him. He now owns a thriving Mexican restaurant here in Alliance, OH. Hear his story and how he conquered his struggles to achieve great success!

Finding My Identity: Where do I Belong? – Panel Discussion Location: T&H 100
Join us for a panel discussion of people who will share their stories and experiences as biracial individuals. Learn the challenges and joys of being a biracial person or parent of a biracial child.

Mount Union Travels to India – Panel Discussion Location: T&H 130
Join us as we take you on a trip to India. Explore the food, language, lifestyle, and customs of this intoxicating country.

Navigating Without a Map: A Journey through Autism - Jon Baley and Barbara Baley, M.A., Mom, School Psychologist, Speech/Language Pathologist  Location: EBB 206
Jon Baley is a young man with Asperger's Syndrome. He was diagnosed at a time when most people didn't know what it meant. His journey through life, school and jobs has been challenging, but through it all, he has persevered. He achieved goals many people thought were not possible. Through Jon's love of Charles Schulz and Peanuts, we will travel through his journey and bring the audience to a better understanding of life with Asperger's Syndrome.
3:45-4:45 p.m.  Breakout Sessions – Block 4

The World looks at the LGBT Community and It Looks Back-  Dr. Theresa Davis, Professor of History with concentration in Women’s History, University of Mount Union Location: T&H 100

Throughout history and in places outside the United States, societies have viewed the LGBT community in many different ways. For example, the Sacred Band of Thebes was a group of 300 warriors comprised of 150 pairs of homosexual lovers and for a while they were the kick-butt elite of Ancient Greece. Greece now has a very different view of the LGBT community than did the Thebans! Take part in this discussion and learn how the LGBT community has functioned in the social boundaries throughout history and what it’s done to break down barriers.

Stirring the Pot: Let’s Talk Religion -  Michael Brown, University Chaplain Intern, University of Mount Union Location: T&H 101

Why should the curriculum at state funded schools include courses about religious diversity? What perspective should christian colleges teach? What messages are institutions sending by teaching about the religious world? Please join this discussion about issues concerning religion in the college and university setting.

De Madre Patria to Estados Unidos- Jon Borrego, Student and Teaching Assistant, Spanish Department, University of Mount Union Location T&H 130

Get a chance to speak with a student from Spain, the “motherland” of all Spanish-speaking countries. Hear his story, and learn about the cultural differences between Spain and the United States.

The Closet: For People or for Clothes? -  Panel Discussion Location: EBB 203

Imagine if you lived your life hiding your true identity from your loved ones? Learn what “coming out” really means and how a person’s world changes as they go through this process as well as how family and friends can provide support. Explore these issues in this interactive discussion.

Leadership… A Matter of Perspective– Kate Carnell, Director of Student Involvement & Leadership, University of Mount Union Location: EBB 206

From our earliest moments in life, gender influences the way in which we are treated. From the way we dress to the way we act, social identity plays an important role. Through this interactive session, learn more about how men and women approach leadership.

5–6 p.m.  Closing: Location: Presser Recital Hall

Closing Speaker: Gustav “Gus” F. Drollinger

Bringing the day to a close, Mr. Drollinger will highlight important educational aspects to take away from the conference about diversity and how we can nurture our “Imagine If’s” to become reality.