

5th Annual UNC Walk for Health features “One-Man Stand”

Annual healthy walking event to raise awareness of the Union Soldier

WHO: Donning a Union Soldier uniform, William Thorpe, Founder and Director of UNC Walk for Health, is standing guard at McCorkle Place every Thursday at noon for 30 minutes to dramatize and resurrect the image of the Union Soldier. This 105-day semester-long campaign (one day for each year of Silent Sam’s existence) began January 24th and will continue until May 9th. UNC Walk for Health seeks to replace Silent Sam with the image of the Union Soldier and with plaques stating the official mission of the University.

WHAT: On Day 70 (Thursday, April 4) of the campaign, UNC Walk for Health will host a special “**One-Man Stand**” dramatization and musical tribute to the Union Soldier and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. **Note: The UNC Gospel Choir will perform.**

WHEN: 12:00pm to 12:30pm on April 4 (Date of Dr. King’s assassination)

WHERE: The “**One-Man Stand**” dramatization and musical tribute will begin at the Peace and Justice Plaza on Franklin Street and end at McCorkle Place (across the street).

WHY: UNC Walk for Health is sending a message directed to University officials, “**Where is the monument on this campus for the image of the Union Soldier?** The Union Soldier demonstrated remarkable patriotism, valor, morality, and is the best representation of the University’s motto – lux, libertas – light and liberty.”

“True peace is not merely the absence of some negative force, it is the presence of justice.” – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

“True peace at UNC is not merely the absence of Silent Sam, it is the presence of the image of the Union Soldier.” – William Thorpe

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