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**UNCW RANDALL LIBRARY ANNOUNCES SPECIAL AUTHOR EVENT TO
BENEFIT "ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY"**

UNCW Randall Library is pleased to announce a special book reading and signing, featuring several local authors, to benefit "One Book, One Community" of New Hanover County. The event is scheduled for **Thursday, April 26th, starting at 7pm, in the Randall Library Auditorium**; light refreshments will be served afterwards in the Helen Hagan Room, Special Collections. The three featured authors are: **Christopher Pascale, Rebecca Lee, and Dana Sachs**. This event, including the reception, is free and open to the public.

Christopher Pascale will read from his most recent book, *Manson* (Vantage Press, 2006), about the experiences of newly published author Hank and his journey from private man to public personality. Pascale, born and raised in New York, is currently serving with the United States Marine Corps. He now resides in North Carolina, along with his family.

Rebecca Lee, associate professor with the Creative Writing Department at the University of North Carolina Wilmington, will share her debut novel *The City Is a Rising Tide* (Simon & Schuster, 2006). Described as a "dazzling novel from a fiercely talented young writer," Lee's book traces the story of Justine Laxness, a woman whose life and actions are dominated by her unrequited love for a long-time acquaintance.

Finally, local author and previous "One Book, One Community" subject, Dana Sachs will also be on hand to discuss *If You Lived Here* (HarperCollins, 2007). The Barnes & Noble *Discover Great New Writers* Summer 2007 selection and the March 2007 Book Sense pick, Sachs's newest book is set in Wilmington and details a woman's quest to adopt a Vietnamese child.

Copies of all the titles will be available for purchase, courtesy of Barnes & Noble.

"One Book, One Community" of New Hanover County, North Carolina, is a partnership of several community organizations, including: UNCW Randall Library, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Cape Fear Community College English Department, Cape Fear Community College Learning Resource Center, Eugene Ashley High School, New Hanover County Public Library, Pomegranate Books, *Star-News*, Two Sisters Bookery, UNCW English Department, and Waldenbooks.

The mission of "One Book, One Community" is to promote literacy and a love for reading, celebrate diversity, and foster a community of readers by providing opportunities to explore and discuss a common text.

For more information about "One Book, One Community" and the 2007 title *Persepolis*, please visit the OBOC web site: <http://library.uncw.edu/oboc/>