MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

Howard County Holiday Celebration

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Howard County Holiday Commission will hold its annual celebration to honor the slain civil rights leader, Sunday, Jan. 14 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Centennial High School, 4300 Centennial Lane in Ellicott City. The Commission invites Howard Countians, their families and their friends to the event which celebrates the life and dream of Dr. King.

Dr. Emmett C. Burns, director of the Life Membership Division of the NAACP will deliver the keynote address entitled, "Realizing the Dream." Other program highlights include inspirational singing by the Pro Cantare Chorus and video interviews of Howard County citizens and their views on Dr. King's dream.

Call 992-2314.

Service of Thanksgiving

Join the Northwest Regional Council and the Diocese of Maryland in a Service of Thanksgiving for the life and witness of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Sunday, Jan. 14 at St. Bartholomews P.E. Church, 4711 Edmondson Ave., 4 p.m.

Speaker will be the Rev. Michael Curry; the Rt. Rev. Charles L. Longest, presiding and the Rev. James Cantler, celebrant. Offering to benefit The George F. Bragg Scholarship Fund.

The Baltimore Teachers Union

The Baltimore Teachers Union is sponsoring its third annual breakfast tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Monday, Jan. 15 at the Omni International Hotel, 101 W. Fayette St. Dr. Patsy Blacksheer, associate superintendent of Curriculum Development for the Baltimore City School System and a member of the Maryland Civil Rights Commission, will be featured speaker.

The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. and Dr. Blacksheer will begin speaking at approximately 10 a.m. Call 243-0353.

YMCA of Greater Baltimore

More than 1,600 individuals will join together Monday, Jan. 15 at 7:30 a.m. to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The event, in its 15th year, will take place at Martin's West and is sponsored by the YMCA of Greater Baltimore and the King's Landing Women's Service Club.

Keynote speaker is Dr. Carolyn Goodman, assistant clinical professor of Psychiatry, The Albert Einstein College of Medicine, NYC. In 1989, 25 years after the death of her son, Andrew at the hands of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi, Dr. Goodman organized the Chaney-Goodman-Schwerner Coalition. She will incorporate the national celebration theme, "Living The Dream, Let Freedom Ring: For Peace and Nonviolence" in her address. Call 837-9622.

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Prince George's County Maryland Chapter; African American Historical Society of Prince George's County Capital Center Kiwanis Club, Peace and Justice Caucus of P.G.C. Pilgrimage Christian Church, Southern Christian Leadership Conference Student Assistant Project, Inc, Town of Glenarden, Town of Fairmont Heights and Town of Seat Pleasant are sponsoring a Parade on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Highway, Monday, Jan. 15, 12 noon until 2 p.m.

Parade will begin at Seat Pleasant Community Center on MLK, Jr. Highway and Addison Road in Seat Pleasant to proceed to Glenarden Municipal Center, Glenarden Parkway and MLK Jr. Highway in Glenarden.

A program, "Unity: In His Honor" will be held following the Parade at the Glenarden Municipal Center, 8600 Glenarden Parkway. For further information, call 420-9100.

Commemorative Breakfast

Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, will host Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Breakfast, Thursday, Jan. 18 in Building 314 Gymnasium, Perry Point, from 7:15 to 8:30 a.m. Continental breakfast served from 7:15 to 7:45. Keynoter is Col. Edward Mouchette. For more information call 642-2411 Ext. 5203.

Hopkins' King Tribute

Entertainer and civil rights activist Stevie Wonder will be the keynote speaker at the 10th Martin Luther King celebration at The Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Tuesday, Jan. 16. The program will begin at noon in Turner Auditorium on Rutland Ave. and is open only to those with a current Hopkins identification badge.

Mrs. Rosa Parks, 75, known as the "Mother of the Civil Rights Movement," will return for a second time to the event as Wonder's special guest.

"In preparing the annual program, I always try to invite someone who means as much to the housekeeping staff as to the hospital president. Stevie helped to establish the holiday ...and Rosa Parks has played a key role in the entire civil rights movement," says Dr. Levi Watkins, a cardiac surgeon and organizer of the annual Hopkins tribute to King.

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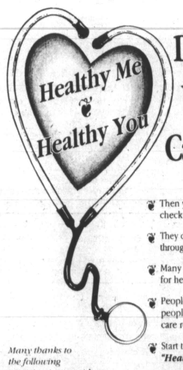

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The Life of Martin Luther King (A chronology)

1929 January 15. Martin Luther King, Jr., is born to Reverend and Mrs. Martin Luther King, Sr. (the former Alberta Christine Williams), in Atlanta, Georgia.
1935-1944. King attends David T. Howard Elementary School, Atlanta University Laboratory School, and Booker T. Washington High School. He passes the entrance examination to Morehouse College (Atlanta) without graduating from high school.
1947. King is licensed to preach and becomes assistant to his father, who is pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta.
1948 February 25. King is ordained to the Baptist ministry.
June. King graduates from Morehouse College with a B.A. degree in sociology.
September. King enters Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pennsylvania. After hearing Dr. A. J. Muste and Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson preach on the life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, he begins to study Gandhi seriously.
1951 June. King graduates from Crozer with a B.D. degree.
1953 June 18. King marries Coretta Scott in Marion, Alabama.
1954 May 17. The Supreme Court of the United States rules unanimously in *Brown vs. Board of Education* that racial segregation in public schools is unconstitutional.
1954 October 31. King is installed by Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr., as the twentieth pastor of the Dexter Avenue Church, Montgomery.
1955 June 5. King receives a Ph.D. degree in Systematic Theology from Boston University.
November 17. The Kings' first child, Yolanda Denise, is born in Montgomery.
December 1. Mrs. Rosa Parks, a forty-two-year-old Montgomery seamstress, refuses to relinquish her bus seat to a White man, and is arrested.
December 5. The first day of the bus boycott. The trial of Mrs. Parks. A meeting of movement leaders is held. Dr. King is unanimously elected president of an organization named the Montgomery Improvement Association, a name proposed by Reverend Ralph Abernathy.
December 10. The Montgomery Bus Company suspends service in Black neighborhoods.
1956 January 26. Dr. King is arrested on a charge of traveling thirty miles an hour in a twenty-five-mile-an-hour zone in Montgomery. He is released on his own recognizance.
January 30. A bomb is thrown onto the porch of Dr. King's Montgomery home. Mrs. King and Mrs. Roscoe Williams, wife of a church member, are in the house with baby Yolanda Denise; no one is injured.
February 2. A suit is filed in federal district court asking that Montgomery's travel segregation laws be declared unconstitutional.
February 21. Dr. King is indicted with other figures in the Montgomery bus boycott on the charge of being party to a conspiracy to hinder and prevent the operation of business without "just or legal cause."
June 4. A United States district court rules that racial segregation on city bus lines is unconstitutional.
June 27. Dr. King is the guest speaker at the annual NAACP convention in San Francisco.
August 10. Dr. King is a speaker before the platform committee of the Democratic Party in Chicago.
October 30. Mayor Gayle of Montgomery instructs the city's legal department "to file such proceedings as it may deem proper to stop the operation of car pools and transportation systems growing out of the boycott."
November 13. The United States Supreme Court affirms the decision of the three-judge district court in declaring unconstitutional Alabama's state and local laws requiring segregation on buses.
December 20. Federal injunctions prohibiting segregation on buses are served on city and bus company officials in Montgomery. Injunctions are also served on state officials.
December 21. Montgomery buses are integrated.
1957 January 27. An unexploded bomb is discovered on Dr. and Mrs. King's front porch.
January 10-11. The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is formed at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta. Dr. King is elected its president.
February 18. *Time* magazine puts Dr. King on its cover.
May 17. Dr. King delivers a speech for the Prayer Pilgrimage For Freedom celebrating the third anniversary of the Supreme Court's desegregation decision. The speech, entitled "Give Us The Ballot," is given at the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C.
June 13. Dr. King has a conference with the vice president of the United States, Richard M. Nixon.
September 2. Dr. King addresses a Labor Day seminar on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tennessee.
September. President Dwight D. Eisenhower federalizes the Arkansas National Guard to escort nine Negro students to an all-White high school in Little Rock, Arkansas.
September 9. The first civil rights act since Reconstruction is passed by Congress, creating the Civil Rights Commission and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.
October 23. A second child, Martin Luther, III, is born to Dr. and Mrs. King.
1958 February 8. Dr. King is a guest speaker at a legislative conference of the American Jewish Congress in New York.
June 23. Dr. King, along with Roy Wilkins of the NAACP, A. Philip Randolph, and Lester Granger, meet with President Dwight D. Eisenhower.
September 3. Dr. King is arrested on a charge of loitering (later changed to "failure to obey an officer") in the vicinity of the Montgomery Recorder's Court. He is released on one hundred dollars bond.
September 4. Dr. King is convicted after pleading "not guilty" on the charge of failure to obey an officer. The fine is paid almost immediately, over Dr. King's objection, by Montgomery Police Commissioner Clyde C. Sellers.
September 17. Dr. King's book *Stride Toward Freedom: The Montgomery Story* is published by Harper & Row.
September 20. Dr. King is stabbed in the chest by Mrs. Izola Curry, forty-two, who is subsequently alleged to be mentally deranged. The stabbing occurs in the heart of Harlem while Dr. King is autographing his recently published book. His condition is said to be serious but not critical.
1959 January 30. Dr. King meets with Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers union, in Detroit.
February 2-March 10. Dr. and Mrs. King spend a month in India studying Gandhi's techniques of nonviolence, as guests of Prime Minister Nehru.
August 20. Dr. King delivers a speech to the National Bar Association in Milwaukee.
November 29. Dr. King submits his resignation, effective on the fourth Sunday of January, 1960, as pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church.
1960 January 24. The King family moves to Atlanta. Dr. King

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Already, they have committed these terrible acts.

- July 19, 1989 — Shortly after midnight, three to four shots are fired into several lighted offices at NAACP Headquarters in Baltimore.
- August 21 1989 — When a package is opened at the NAACP's Regional Officein Atlanta, a tear gas bomb explodes. Several aged persons and small children are treated for severe respiratory reactions.
- December 18, 1989 — Robert Robinson, a Savannah Branch Legal Counsel attorney who has handled a number of NAACP cases, is killed — literally blown apart — when he opens a package sent to his home.
- December 19, 1989 — A similar bomb is sent to the home of the president of the Jacksonville, Fl. NAACP. Suspicious, she calls police, thereby avoiding what would have been her certain death had she opened the package.
- December 28, 1989 — A terrorist organization claims responsibility for the bombings and threatens further violence against the federal judiciary and the NAACP.
- January 1, 1990 — Eight demonstrators from White supremacist groups appear at NAACP headquarters shouting approval of the murders of Mr. Robinson and Federal Judge Robert Vance of the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, who was killed, December 11th, by the same type of bomb that claimed Mr. Robinson's life. The Circuit Court had handled a number of civil rights cases.
- Ongoing threats are being made against the NAACP and its officials.

While these attacks have been directed against the NAACP, they se in fact aimed at all Black America. If the nation's oldest, largest and most effective civil rights organization can be frightened and intimidated by violence — which it will not — the terrorists will strike out at other institutions, other people.

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