

MLK Legacy

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Rotarian peace builders have long championed many of the human rights values fostered by the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and helped celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights during in 2017. That June, Bernice King gave a rousing speech about the hard work of fostering peace at the Rotary Presidential Peace Conference held in Atlanta, Georgia. "Every member of our world society, even our adversaries and opponents, is worthy of being looked upon with dignity," she said.

Drawing inspiration from his Christian faith and the peaceful teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. King led a nonviolent movement in the late 1950's and '60s to achieve legal equality for African-Americans in the United States. During the less than 13 years of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s leadership of the modern American Civil Rights Movement, from December, 1955 until April 4, 1968, African Americans achieved more genuine progress toward racial equality in America than the previous 350 years had produced.

He is the only non-president to have a national holiday dedicated in his honor, and is the only nonpresident memorialized on the Great Mall in the nation's capitol. He is memorialized around the world as a leader whose teachings are increasingly-relevant to the progress of humankind.

MLK's teaching are at the heart of what Rotarians strive to achieve.

PWR Helping Feed the Community

The River City Food Bank distribution program at Greer Elementary School in Sacramento is a monthly event and the next scheduled date is Wednesday, January 25. The signup is requesting 10 signups, but if we get more that's ok. The more the merrier. The Time is 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm at 1300 Bell St (in front of tennis courts between Greer & Encina). We will be loading bags with groceries. Mike Bede is organizing these events. Those interested can sign up through the signup link at this url https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/4090E4DA4AF23A5F58-

greerencina1. Select the dates you want and hit the Save & Continue Button located at the bottom. We had 8 Rotarians there last month in the gloom but the weather is brighter so let's get more in the future.

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Coming soon to a home near you are the annual PWR Fireside chats. This is your chance to comment and give feedback about our club fundraising, charitable giving, governance or other issue you may have in mind. Your input will guide Roger and future presidents in planning and implementing the direction we want our Rotary club to take into the future. PE Roger Gilleland is organizing these meetings and is looking for host Rotarians. Please participate as your voice is needed.

Meeting 24 Recap

The meeting opened with the pledge led by Paul Friedrich and Rita Gordon reciting the 4 Way Test. We were "Singin' in the Rain." Mike Cendro gave the thought for the day. Bell ringers are Dominic Porrino and Beth



Schatz. Bea Maurer announced several upcoming events for other clubs in the District. Joe Verandes, returning to Point West,

played the Musical Theater game. The answer was Cats. The prize was "Chalk it



Up." Tom Knox introduced Lyndsay Burch, Artistic Director and CEO of



The B Street Theater discussing the recent events and changes at B Street. Jeff Milde

spun the wheel landing on the one "\$10 Fine" space.



Walter wanted to

point out that his wife Margaux is a long time subscriber to B St. but not a Charter member. Four Way test in practice!



PWR Meetings-

Fridays, 7:30 AM at DPCC* (+ Zoom) Jan. 20—Brian Grubbs, USNA Grad. Jan. 27—Edgar Allen Poe (Sean O'Brian). Feb. 3—Meeting Speaker TBA *(unless indicated)