

Reading Bi-Weekly Update

July 9, 2015

Human Relations Advisory Committee



Invites New Members

If you believe Reading should be a welcoming, inclusive, and vibrant community, please join the Reading Human Relations Advisory Committee (HRAC)! Our mission is to promote and encourage respect for the human and civil rights of the entire Reading community by fostering a greater understanding and appreciation for diversity. Our community is enriched by differences, whether they emanate from race, age, gender, religion, disability, culture, ancestry, or sexual orientation. As an advisory committee to the Reading Board of Selectmen, the HRAC works to promote justice and inclusion by providing forums for dialogue, organizing educational programs, and sponsoring celebrations of diversity.

Some of this year's HRAC highlights include:

- Co-sponsoring the multi-community Martin Luther King Celebration featuring performances by the METCO Elementary School Choir, Reading Community and RMHS Singers, the Korean Church of the Nazarene Men's Choir, and artist Rob Surette at RMHS.
- Exhibit Tables of Community Organizations Standing Together for Justice at Celebration.
- Securing funds from our generous sponsors: Eastern Bank, The Reading and Massachusetts Cultural Councils, Moynihan Lumber, Capozzi Construction, The Halsey Family, and Kohl's Burlington Associates-in-Action for the Martin Luther King Celebration and to purchase six "Hero Art" portraits for Reading High School and two portraits for Town Hall, and Presentation of Portraits at District-wide Arts Festival
- Partnering with RMHS' "A World of Difference" club to create the "We Stand Together Footprints for Justice" program.

The HRAC holds Open Meetings at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of every month in the Conference Room at the Reading Police Station or at Town Hall. All are welcome! Check the Town Website for more information. Correspondence can be emailed to: HRAC at rhrac867@gmail.com.

The Farm Stand at the Depot



Is Now Open Every Tuesday!

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM



Support your local Farm Stand!

Questions: If you have any questions about all the activity going on around town ...just ask and we will find you the answer!

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