



Come & Celebrate

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**On Sunday, January 17th
In the WHS COMMONS**

3:30-4:00 pm MLK PROGRAM

featuring musical groups, winning essays from the
6th, 7th & 8th Graders, and a message from the
Willard Area Ministerial Association.

4:00-6:00 pm CHILI SUPPER

including Sloppy Joes & Hot Dogs will be served.
(Donations accepted.)

**Sponsored by the Willard Community Diversity Council,
the Willard Area Chamber & the Willard Ministerial Association.**

Letter from the Members of the Willard Community Diversity Council

December 18, 2009

On Sunday, January 17, 2010 the community of Willard would like to invite you to participate in the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration. The festivities will be held in the Commons of Willard High School, 123 Whisler Dr. in Willard. This event is being made possible in part due to the support of the Willard Community Diversity Council and the Willard Ministerial Association.

The Willard Ministerial Association will present a service celebrating the Life of Martin Luther King Jr. beginning at 3:30. Program will include selected readings honoring Dr. King. Local musical groups will perform and local middle school students will read their winning essays on the topic "What Would Be Your Dream for America?"

Immediately following the service the celebration will continue with a supper. The menu is chili, hot dog / sloppy joes at 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm. During the meal we will have displays by Willard school children, Martin Luther King Jr. videos, drawings for prizes and booths set up by community service organizations.

To make this a successful event, we need your participation in this celebration. We would appreciate any donation toward expenses. If in lieu of a monetary donation you would wish to donate a gift, we will be holding several free drawings for prizes thru out the day. As always the names of our sponsors will be prominently displayed at the event. Your donation to the event may be sent to:

**Chamber of Commerce
C/o Martin Luther King Jr. celebration
16 Myrtle Ave.
Willard, Oh 44890**

If there are any questions about the festival, you wish to help at the event or wish to set up a display, please contact Sherry Williams @ 419-668-3026.

As part of our community's commitment to be inclusive and diverse, the Willard Community Diversity Council was formed. The goal of the Council is to identify and promote the diversity within our community and to focus our resources to develop understanding and value those differences. Since the formation of the Council, this group has been involved in several worthwhile projects that have benefited the community. We strongly believe that by partnering with local businesses in this effort we could do so much more in the area of promoting diversity. On behalf of the Willard Community Diversity Council, we encourage you to consider joining our Council or pursuing more information on our involvement with the community. Meetings are held at City Hall on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:45 pm. If you have questions or we can provide further assistance please contact Sherry Williams @ 419-668-3026.