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Human Rights Commission sponsors MLK Day celebration

BOISE – Idaho's observance of Martin Luther King Jr. / Idaho Human Rights Day is planned for noon Monday, Jan. 18, on the second floor of the Idaho State Capitol, in the rotunda.

Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter and First Lady Lori Otter will present the official Idaho state proclamation. Cherie Buckner-Webb, a noted motivational speaker, is scheduled to deliver a keynote address on the theme, "It's a New Day."

The celebration will begin with a trumpet fanfare by Marcellus Brown and BSU students, and will include a color guard presentation by Farmway Village Girl Scouts Troop 457 of Caldwell. Joe B. McNeal, appointed to the Idaho Human Rights Commission last August, will be the master of ceremonies.

The ceremony will conclude with a musical presentation by the Sweet Sage singers from the Duck Valley Indian Reservation, and presentation will be made for "Recognition for Exceptional Service to Human Rights" to Erin Griffard, a senior at Boise High School.

The holiday commemorates Dr. King's birth on Jan. 15, 1929. This is the 23rd year Idaho has observed his birthday. Join us in celebrating the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., a great American leader who, in his speech to civil rights marchers in Washington, D.C. some 46 years ago, said: "I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.'"

JANUARY 18, 2010



State Ceremony
Statehouse Rotunda
2nd Floor
NOON

Sponsored by: Idaho Human Rights Commission

Please celebrate with us

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR/ IDAHO HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

Proclamation by

Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter and First Lady Lori Otter
Keynote speaker

Cherie Buckner-Webb

Musical selections by: Marcellus Brown and the BSJ students

Common Ground Community Chorus

Sweet Sage/ Duck Valley Indian Reservation