The Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission has adopted "Living the Dream" as the official theme for celebrating this country's newest national holiday on January 20, 1986. The theme expresses the message and inspiration Dr. King generated among Americans in his dream and what that dream awakened in America.

## LIVING THE DREAM

A day to celebrate the life and dream of Martin Luther King, Jr.

A day to reaffirm the American ideals of freedom, justice and opportunity for all.

A day for love not hate, for understanding not anger, for peace not war.

A day for the family: to share together, to reach out to relatives and friends, and to mend broken relationships.

A day when the community rids itself of the barriers which divide it and comes together as one.

A day when people of all races, religions, classes, and stations in life put aside their differences and join in a spirit of togetherness.

A day for our nation to pay tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. who awakened in us the best qualities of the American spirit.

A day for nations of the world to cease all violent actions, seek nonviolent solutions, and demonstrate that peace is not just a dream, but a real possibility, if only for one day.

If for only one day, each of us serves as a drum major for justice and peace, then we will bring to life the inspiring vision of freedom which Martin "Dreamed."





January 20, 1986 will mark the first observance of the Federal legal holiday honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. The Act creating the holiday was passed after more than 16 years of effort by the King family, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc., and the countless friends and supporters of Martin Luther King, Jr. Support for the legislation came from all walks of life -- from select members of congress, the White House, business and labor, from civil rights and religious groups -- and, most important, from those individuals who have worked continuously to make his dream a reality.

The Act sets aside the third Monday of January as the official Federal holiday. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s actual birthday is January 15. According to the Act, "the holiday should serve as a time for Americans to reflect on the principles of racial equality and nonviolent social change espoused by Martin Luthor King, Jr."

## Annual King Banquet and Ball Jan. 18

In honoring the 57th Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. here in Las Vegas, the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Committee of Las Vegas presents its Annual King Ball and Banquet on Jan. 18 at the Moulin Rouge located at 900 West Bonanza Rd. at 8 p.m.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Walter Tucker, Mayor of Compton, California. Guest of honor

## Annual MLK parade readied for Jan. 18

January 18 marks the date for the 5th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Parade to take place in Las Vegas.

"Living The Dreams" is the theme of this year's parade that will start at 11 a.m. at Las Vegas High School located at 7th and Bridger Streets.

The honorary grand marshall will be Dr. Walter Tucker, Mayor of Compton, California. Local parade marshalls will include Linda Mcmosley, principal of Jo Mackey School and president of Delta Sigma Theta Inc., Las Vegas Chapter and Capt. David L. Washington of the Las Vegas Fire Dept.

The parade will feature Gov. Richard Bryan, Senator Ray Shaffer, Senator Joe Neal and many other state and local figures. Along with an array of floats, bands, drill teams and other units.

The Dr. Martin Luther King Committee of Las Vegas are still accepting parade entries. The contact number is 646-1018.

include Governor Richard Bryan, Miss Black Teen Nevada and Miss Nevada. During dinner, music will be provided by Henry Shed. The master of ceremonies will be Gary Waddell of KLAS-TV Channel 8. During the evening parade awards and various other awards will be presented. The King Ball will follow this program.

For tickets and more information contact the King Committee at 646-1018.



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