

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR RACE EQUALITY WEEK!

This year's Race Equality Week <http://www.rewfestival.net/> will take place on September 13-20 at a variety of venues throughout the County. The Board of Supervisors has once again stepped forward in proclaiming the week officially throughout the County. The Human Rights Commission is proud to have participated in the planning process for this event through Commissioners Pat Boyd and Judy Rice.

The week's official beginning is a come-one, come-all free dinner event hosted by the Community Baptist Church on Sunday, September 13 ("Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?"). Events will continue through the week at various library locations and will include a Chinese Culture and Calligraphy Writing class, Aztec Dance and Culture Workshop, and Tae Kwan Do demonstrations.

The highlight of the week will be a Festival held at Elsie Allen High School on Sunday, the 20th. Enjoy the multi-cultural food and crafts, participate in the health fare, sit back and listen to the music, take pleasure in the multitude of children's events and get to know your friends – old and new – throughout the community.

The Festival Planning Committee says it best, "Unite with fellow community members, share conversation and engage in dialog that crosses boundaries and barriers in our social, cultural, economic, academic and political environment. You are promoting HEALING through LOVE, FORGIVENESS and CELEBRATION."

We hope to see you all at the Festival!

Contributed by Judy Rice, Chair, Commission on Human Rights