

Bloomington Human Rights Commission

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BLACK AMERICANS

ABIYOYO & ABIYOYO'S WILDFLOWER COLORING BOOK, by Paula Brandes.

Adapted from a traditional African tale this book challenges children to broaden their knowledge of the folk arts and helps them better understand themselves. Audio cassette tape and coloring book; 1985.

BLACK IS..., by Martin Dreyer. A magazine containing pictures and short articles about famous Black Americans. 64 pp.; 1971.

BLACK RAGE, by William H. Grier and Price M. Cobbs. Two black psychiatrists explore the emotional conflicts and problems of blacks in contemporary America. 179 pp.; 1972.

BLACK VIEWPOINTS, edited by Arthur C. Littleton and Mary W. Burger. Black leaders, thinkers and writers address common problems of Blacks in the United States, including comments by Malcom X, Martin Luther King Jr., and Senator Edward Brooke. 458 pp.; 1971.

BLACK WOMEN IN WHITE AMERICA, edited by Gerda Lerner. The history of black women in America, as told by black women. Includes documents pertinent to the social history of black women. 614 pp.; 1973.

IBCA, INSTITUTE ON BLACK CHEMICAL ABUSE, edited in St. Paul, MN.

Empowers African Americans toward a greater state of well being through the delivery of community based, culturally specific, chemical health, mental health and family services. 13 pp.; 1992.

LET THE TRUMPET SOUND, THE LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., by Stephen B. Oates.

A biography of Martin Luther King Jr., from his birth to his tragic death on April 4, 1968. A story of his life from childhood to his work with protest movements against discrimination in the south. Eight pages of photos; index included. 560 pp.; 1982.

LIFE AND TIMES OF FREDERICK DOUGLAS, by Frederick Douglass.

The autobiography of a runaway slave who becomes Abraham Lincoln's advisor and Consul General to Haiti. 640 pp.; 1973.

MARTIN LUTHER KING (MLK) ETHNIC DINNERS, edited by Bloomington Human Services.

Bloomington held first tribute to MLK celebration with ethnic dinners at 11 Bloomington homes. The day reflects on the life and dreams of Martin Luther King. Video tape (8:48); recorded 1989.

MARTIN LUTHER KING (MLK) AND HIS DREAM, edited by Bloomington Human Services.

In honor of Martin Luther King and his dream Bloomington had a gathering. MLK proclamation accepted by Lynn Ramalingan. Video tape; recorded 1993.

MUNICIPAL NEWS HUMAN RIGHTS DAY, by Bloomington Human Services. Martin Luther King (MLK) day celebration in form of ethnic dinners held at 11 households to celebrate similarities, differences and MLK's dream. Video tape; recorded 1989.

NO MORE LIES, by Dick Gregory. A book on the myths and realities of American history as seen by Dick Gregory. Includes myths of the Puritan Pilgrims to the myths of the Free Election. 372 pp.; 1972.

NOBODY KNOWS MY NAME, by James Baldwin. Essays taken from Mr. Baldwin's private logbook on the last months of his ten-year self-exile in Europe; his return to America and Harlem, and his first trip south during the school integration battles. 190 pp.; 1975.

NORTHERN SLAVE BLACK DAKOTA: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JOSEPH GODFREY, by Walt Bachman. Documents the U.S. army's role in fostering the spread of slavery via a pay system that rewarded federal officers for using slaves as servants in free states and territories. 412 pp.; 2013.

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF MALCOLM X, by Malcolm X with assistance of Alex Haley. The autobiography of Malcolm X, his life from hoodlum to a leader of the Black Revolution. 460 pp.; 1973.

THE BLACK FAMILY: ESSAYS AND STUDIES, by Robert Staples. A collection of essays and studies compiled to offer a broader perspective on the dynamics of behavior amongst black families. Included are articles looking at the black family as a unit and the social, political and economic factors that influence it. 387 pp.; 1971.

THE BLACK WOMAN—AN ANTHOLOGY, edited by Toni Cade. Black women speak out on sex, the Pill, child raising in the ghetto, woman's share in Black power, and more. 250 pp.; 1970.

THE FIRE NEXT TIME, by James Baldwin. A personal story of James Baldwin's life growing up in Harlem and an essay on what America has done to the black man, and what black men may do to America. 141 pp.; 1975.

UP FROM SLAVERY, by Booker T. Washington. The autobiography of Booker T. Washington, a former slave who rose to a position of leadership and power and eventually founded Tuskegee University. 244 pp.; 1975.

CIVIL RIGHTS

“MINNEAPOLIS AREA EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION”. Bloomington Human Rights Commission, Michel Bloyer speaks on various employment laws. Video tape; recorded 1996.

BLOOMINGTON HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION HOUSING WORKSHOP. Amy Johnson and Norm Olson spoke regarding Human Rights law and how it pertains to housing. Video tape; recorded 1995.

CITY TALK “RACISM IN BLOOMINGTON”, by Diann Kirby. Speakers and minority students discussed problems and feelings about racism in schools, and ideas on how to make Bloomington a better place for everyone. Video tape (59:40); recorded 1992.

DIRECTORY OF OFFICIAL HUMAN RIGHTS AGENCIES, by IAOHRA. Listing of Human Rights agencies around the world; provide counsel and assistance to persons who believe they are victims of illegal discrimination. Resource Centers develop diversity. 51 pp.; 1994.

EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOP, with Gary Gorman. Minnesota Department of Human Rights Employment workshop. Video tape; recorded 1995.

FREE AT LAST, edited by Southern Poverty Law. History of the civil rights movement and people who died in the struggle. Magazine, 104 pp.; 1969.

“GET-A-LIFE”, A game played with teams making decisions about life at three levels of welfare. Game (2). 1999.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, “Public Service Announcement” – Discrimination is illegal advertisement for Human Rights also includes the role and goals of Bloomington Human Rights and contact information. Video tape; recorded 1999.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION – 1983, Discussion of the function of the Human Rights Commission. Guest: Mike McGrath, Bloomington Human Rights Commission. Host: Dennis Bowling, consumer, who is blind, Bloomington. Video tape; recorded 1983

HUMAN RIGHTS FORUM – “RACIAL VIOLENCE AS A HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE”, Collection of events: Incident at J.F. Kennedy High School; Hedy Walls state Human Rights award; Ramalingam interview; Martin Luther King potluck gathering. Video tape; recorded 1991.

HUMAN RIGHTS WORKSHOP AND TRAINING, Human Rights Workshop and Training by Minnesota Dept. of Human Rights. Video tape; recorded 1995.

INDIANA CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION, Booklet on efforts to eliminate unfair discriminatory practices in the state of Indiana, Booklet, 29 pp.; 1997.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. “A DAY TO REMEMBER”, Focuses on behind the scenes work of the march on Washington, followed by a panel discussion of the tape. Video tape; recorded 1986.

MN STATE DEPT. OF HUMAN RIGHTS & MN STATE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT (Chap. 363), Presentation about MN State Dept. of Human Rights and MN State Human Rights Act (Chap. 363). Presenters: B. Lattu and N. Olson, enforcement officers. Video tape (2 hours); recorded 1995.

OUR CONSTITUTION-THE MYTH THAT BINDS US, by Eric Black. The author has rethought the story of the framing of the Constitution; addition of the Bill of Rights; how the Constitution has worked and why it still works. 348 pp.; 1988.

RACIAL VIOLENCE: A HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE, Human Rights Day Forum: Speaker Rich Kessler, Human Rights Commissioner, and three other speakers covered Human Rights violence global, national and in Bloomington and what we need to do to help this problem. Video tape; recorded 1991.

SEX BIAS IN THE U.S. CODE. A Report of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, April 1977. Report, 221 pp.; 1977.

THE FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT EFFORT, 1977, TO ELIMINATE EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION. A report evaluating Civil Rights activities of most Federal agencies with major responsibilities for ensuring equal employment opportunity. Report, 335 pp.; 1977.

TWENTY YEARS AFTER BROWN – A REPORT OF THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS. A series of concise reports summarizing the status of Civil Rights in education, employment, public accommodations and housing. Report, 187 pp.; 1977.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

NO SHORTCUTS! STUDY GUIDE FOR FACILITATORS, TEACHERS AND OTHERS, by K. Gray & N. Hall. Challenging cultural bias when working with multicultural, African American, Asian/Pacific, Chicano-Latinos, and Native Americans when perspectives are not the same. Video tape (5 tapes) and 5 Booklets; 1994.

A DIRECTORY OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS OF COLOR IN MINNESOTA by Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA)-Forth Edition- Listing of nonprofit organizations, mutual assistance and fraternal groups. Includes religious organizations and tribal governments for multicultural groups in Minnesota. 295 pp.;2001

DARING TO BE DIFFERENT - A Vision of Diversity, by Robbinsdale Armstrong Sr. High. Video tape by students about growing up in the 90s as people of color. Students said they need to be heard, belong and feel safe. Video tape; recorded 1997.

EDUCATION & HOUSING EQUITY PROJECT (EHEP), by Dick Little; "Community Circles" project discussion on metro area social issues resulting from increased diversity. Suggestions on how to learn from mistakes and become a better city model. Video tape; recorded 1999.

GUIDE TO MULTICULTURAL RESOURCES 1993/1994, edited by Charles A. Taylor. Concise directory, mediagraphy & almanac of current information on multicultural organizations, services and trends. Included are African, Asian, Hispanic and Native American Associations. 474 pp.; 1993.

INDIANA'S BEST PRACTICES CELEBRATING DIVERSITY: Many Communities...One Indiana. A resource manual of diversity programs and activities for the state of Indiana. 326 pp.; 1999.

MULTICULTURAL TEACHING A HANDBOOK OF ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION, AND RESOURCES, by Pamela L. Tiedt and Iris M. Tiedt. Dedicated to teachers in K-8 classrooms Used as a guide to education the needs of people in our multicultural society. 425 pp., 2002

MUNICIPAL NEWS – MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR- (MLK); TDD; BLACK HISTORY MONTH 1988; AND BILL KALINA. Discussion on different topics. Many views on Martin Luther King Day; awareness on TDD device for the deaf; Black history month celebration; and Bill Kalina receiving Omar Bonderud award. Video tape; recorded 1988.

ON THE NET 2002 – MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION by Allyn and Bacon. Tips for researching online. Course specific URLs. MLA & APA guidelines. Multicultural computer guide. Handbook, 295 pp., 2002

RESOURCES FOR IMPLEMENTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION IN MINNESOTA. Information Guide that list names of organizations: General, Cultural Diversity, Disability Awareness, Gender Equity, and Performing Arts. 119 pp.; 1991.

WORLD ORDER: AMERICA: 200 YEARS OF IMPERISHABLE HOPE. Discusses relationships between contemporary life and contemporary religious teachings and philosophy. 75 pp.; 1975.

DISABILITIES

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) OVERVIEW # 1. Discussion on Bloomington's progress in meeting the needs of citizens with disabilities and special needs. Video tape (7:54); recorded 1997.

BLOOMINGTON HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION – PUBLIC ACCOMODATION WORKSHOP. Minnesota Dept. of Human Rights, Steve Lapinsky spoke about MN laws regarding people with disabilities; discrimination and public accommodations. Video tape; recorded 1995.

BOB PETERS, MN HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD RECIPIENT; FERNANDO MAZELENY, MN CULTURAL DIVERSITY CENTER. Bob Peters, MN Human Rights Award recipient, discusses accessibility for people with disabilities; Fernando Mazeleny MN Cultural Diversity, discusses cultural diversity. Video tape; recorded 1993.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION-PSA's CABLE COMMITTEE UPDATE. Video covers handicapped parking and how important it is to be used only by people with disabilities. Video tape; recorded 1984.

HUMAN RIGHTS/HUMAN RIGHTS ACT-1985. Discussion regarding the 1983 Amendments to Human Rights Act regarding people with physical and mental disabilities. Guests: John Greco and Dick Ramberg; Mike McGrath, Bloomington Human Rights. Video tape; recorded 1985.

NO PITY, by Joseph P. Sharipo. This book captures the emergence of a new consciousness. It recognizes that people with disabilities need fairness, not pity. Times Book, 373 pp.; 1993.

HISPANIC AMERICANS

MEXICAN AMERICANS IN SCHOOL: A HISTORY OF EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT, by Thomas P. Carter. A study of the problems of schooling for Mexican Americans in the southwestern states. 232 pp.; 1970.

MEXICAN-AMERICANS IN THE UNITED STATES: A Reader/Editor, by John H. Burma. Contains studies concerning Mexican-Americans, including studies on prejudice, education of the Mexican-American, health, economics and more. 487 pp.; 1970.

OCCUPIED AMERICA –THE CHICANO'S TOWARD LIBERATION, by Rodolfo Acuna. Historical look at the 19th century and the US conquest of the SW. Separate chapters devoted to the 4 major states of the area and experiences of Chicanos in the 20th century. 277 pp.; 1972.

PAIN AND PROMISE: THE CHICANO TODAY, by Edward Simmen. Thirty-two essays considering the Chicano movement from many different points of view. Vivid accounts of the reawakening of a proud and oppressed people. 348 pp.; 1972.

PUERTO RICO: A SOCIO-HISTORIC INTERPRETATION, by Manuel Maldonado-Denis. Description of historical background of Puerto Rico over the last three centuries and the social, economic and cultural condition of contemporary Puerto Rico. 326 pp.; 1972.

THE PUERTO RICANS: STRANGERS-THEN NEIGHBORS, by Clarence Senior. Story about Puerto Rican immigration, their homeland, and the problems the Puerto Rican immigrants face in education, housing, job discrimination and general acceptance. 111 pp.; 1965.

JAPANESE AMERICANS

JAPANESE AMERICANS, by William Peterson. Book offering information about the origin and experiences, the cultural patterns and social relationships of Japanese Americans. 236 pp.; 1971.

NATIVE AMERICANS

AMERICAN INDIAN OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTER HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION. Presentation about American Indian Opportunities Industrial Center by E. Kohnes; V Bellecourt at Human Rights Commission Mtg. 12/18/95. Video tape (2); recorded 1995.

BURY MY HEART AT WOUNDED KNEE, by Dee Brown. A history of the American West from the Indian point of view. 458 pp. (32 pages of photographs); 1973.

I WILL FIGHT NO MORE FOREVER – CHIEF JOSEPH AND THE NEZ PERCE WAR, by Merrill D. Beal. Historical account of the Nez Perce Indians. Campaign of 1877 with special reference to the Battle of the Big Hole. 398 pp.; 1963.

INDIAN JOE'S SMOKE HOUSE – Sally Morton/Renae White Rabbit. Interview on Indian Joe's Smoke House, gas station. Many people and Indian tribes felt the sign was offensive. Indian's felt it abuses their smoking traditions. Video tape; recorded 1996.

INDIANS AND OTHER AMERICANS - TWO WAYS OF LIFE MEETING, by Harold Fey & D'Arcy McNickle. Describes some of the ways in which change and resistance have worked in the lives of individual Indians and in tribal groups. 255 pp.; 1970.

INDIANS IN MINNESOTA, by the League of Women Voters of Minnesota. Information compiled showing Minnesota Indians' needs and their relationship to government - Tribal, Federal, State and local. Contains major treaties and Federal and State laws. 196 pp.; 1971.

OUR BROTHER'S KEEPER: THE INDIAN IN WHITE AMERICA, edited by Edgar Cahn and David Hearne. Report on the status of American Indians in the world today. 196 pp.; 1970.

THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES, by Grant Foreman. A book on the effect the westward movement of the Cherokee, Chickasaws, Choctau, Cree and Seminole tribes had on the cultivation and settlement of the Trans-Mississippi region. 431 pp.; 1972.

WE TALK YOU LISTEN – NEW TRIBES, NEW TURF, by Vine Deloria, Jr. Study of minority cultures, (Indian, Black, Amish). Contrasts white man's world with Indian way of life. 238 pp.; 1970.

WHEN THE LEGENDS DIE, by Hal Borland. An orphaned Indian boy grows up and becomes a rodeo rider. 216 pp.; 1972.

WOMEN

ANITA HILL: COMBATING RACISM AND BIGOTRY ON OUR COLLEGE CAMPUSES. October 29, 1992 teleconference. Anita Hill discusses combating racism and bigotry on college campuses. Video tape; recorded 1992.

I DREAM A WORLD, by Brian Lanker. Portraits of Black Women who have changed America. 167 pp.; 1989.

SISTER IS POWERFUL, edited by Robin Morgan. Writings on many topics, including: women in the military, abortion, women & the church, birth control, the welfare system and other. 648 pp.; 1970.

WOMEN OF COURAGE, Volumes I to IV. A bi-monthly series of 33-1/3 or 45 rpm records and folder/books for children. Each issue focuses on one American woman of courage. 1984 to 1987.

The City of Bloomington does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its services, programs, or activities. Upon request, accommodation will be provided to allow individuals with disabilities to participate in all City of Bloomington services, programs, and activities. The City has designated coordinators to facilitate compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as required by Section 35.107 of the U.S. Department of Justice regulations, and to coordinate compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as mandated by Section 8.53 of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations. For information, contact the Human Services Division, City of Bloomington, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431-3096; 952-563-8733, TTY, hearing impaired only: 952-563-8740.

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