

Julian Bond talk among events honoring Dr. King

Civil rights activist and former Georgia state senator Julian Bond is scheduled to speak at the Nazareth College Arts Center, 4245 East Ave., this Monday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m.

The talk will culminate the college's celebration of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. The event is being coordinated by the college's Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Bond became active in civil rights work while a student at Atlanta's Morehouse College in 1960. He was founder of the Committee on Appeal for Human Rights, which led three years of nonviolent protests to integrate Atlanta's movie theaters, lunch counters and

parks.

He also helped to form the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee. As the committee's communications director, Bond headed the organization's printing and publicity departments. He also worked in voter registration drives in rural Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas.

In 1968, Bond led an insurgent group that unseated a number of Georgia delegates to the Democratic convention in Chicago. At the convention, he was nominated to run for vice president, becoming the first black to be so honored by a major political party. He withdrew his name from consideration, however,

because he was too young to serve.

From 1965-86, Bond served various terms in the Georgia House of Representatives and the state Senate. He waged a fight in the legislature and the courts to create a majority black congressional district in Atlanta and organized the Georgia Black Caucus. He also sponsored bills to create a sickle cell anemia program and to provide low-interest loans to low-income Georgians. (Found chiefly among blacks, sickle cell anemia is an inherited chronic anemia, characterized by an abnormal red blood cell containing a defective form of hemoglobin that causes the cell to become sickle-shaped when deprived of oxygen).

In 1977, students, parents and community members voted to name the library at Nathaniel Rochester Community School on Rochester's Adams Street after Bond.

Currently, Bond is a distinguished scholar-in-residence at the American University in Washington, D.C., and he serves as a faculty member on the history department at the University of Virginia.

The lecture is free and open to the public. Due to limited seating, tickets must be obtained in advance. The Arts Center box office will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mon.-Fri. There is a limit of four tickets per person.

In addition to the lecture by Julian Bond, a number of other events honor-

ing the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. have been scheduled in Rochester:

St. Bridget's Church, 175 St. Bridget's Drive, hosted the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Scholarship Program on Jan. 6.

Nazareth College will hold a Jan. 16 memorial service in honor of the late Dr. King from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m. in the Shults Center Chapel. College classes will be suspended during that time to allow students, faculty and staff time to attend the service.

Also on Jan. 16, St. John Fisher College will host a Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Rosina O'Doherty Kearney Auditorium, 3690 East Ave. The celebration will include an address by William Clark, current president of the Urban League of Rochester and a 1978 graduate of St. John Fisher College. The lecture is free and open to the public.

The Colgate Divinity School, 1100 S. Goodman St., will host the 10th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Lecture on Tuesday, Jan. 31 from 7-9:15 p.m. This year's program features Dr. Emilie M. Townes, associate professor of Christian social ethics at the St. Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Mo. The lecture, which will explore the impact of AIDS/HIV on the African-American community, is free and open to the public.

- Lee Strong



Carols within the cathedral

Sacred Heart Cathedral in Rochester Jan. 8 hosted an Epiphany celebration of Lessons and Carols, featuring choirs from Church of the Good Shepherd, the Cathedral Choir School, Auburn's St. Mary's Church, and the Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir. (Above) Laura Koch and Matt Harp perform with the Cathedral Choir School, under the direction of Jura Litchfield. (Right) Shirley Ferrera (center) sings with the Sacred Heart Choir. Bishop Matthew H. Clark presided over the celebration, which was sponsored by the diocesan Music Committee and the Office of Liturgy.



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Churches to commemorate Christian unity

To mark this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the Greater Rochester Community of Churches is sponsoring an ecumenical service on Sunday, Jan. 22, at 4 p.m. The service will take place at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 1360 Lake Ave.

The public service will be followed by a reception in the lower Great Hall at the church.

The theme for this year's celebration is "Communion in God: Life Together." Worship leaders for the service will include clergy and lay people from a number of churches, including several from the Catholic Diocese of Rochester.

Call 716/254-2570 for information.

Members representing 28 Christian denominations in the Southern Tier will also gather together at 4 p.m. Jan. 22

for an ecumenical celebration. That service will take place at First United Church of Christ, 160 Madison Ave., Elmira.

Father Joseph P. McCaffrey, pastor of Elmira's St. Anthony/St. Patrick Cluster, will deliver the homily during the service. All Saints Choir will provide the music.

The public service is sponsored by the Elmira Council of Churches.

Begun in 1908, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan. 18-25) is celebrated each year in cities and towns around the world. The theme and text for each year's observance are chosen and prepared by representatives of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the World Council of Churches.

Siena Academy will add nine rooms by September

ROCHESTER - A nine-room addition will be built on to Siena Catholic Academy for use by this September, according to Timothy W. Dwyer, diocesan superintendent of schools.

Siena Catholic Academy, a junior high which serves Monroe County's southeast quadrant, is located at St. Thomas More Parish, 2617 East Ave.

According to Steve Schockow, principal, Siena's current enrollment is 246. The school will be able to accommodate up to 375 students with the addition. The school expects to enroll at least 225 sixth-graders currently attending quadrant elementary schools in its seventh grade next fall, as well as its 125 seventh-graders who will move to eighth grade, Schockow estimated.

In addition to Catholic school students, the principal noted that a number of public-school parents had contacted Siena, expressing interest in enrolling their children next year.

The junior high's \$1 million addition will feature eight new classrooms and a cafeteria that may be used for other purposes, Schockow said.

The addition will also feature a faculty room that will be used by St. Thomas More Parish's religious education staff as well as a meeting room, he added.

Siena also hopes to use the addition's

remaining space for offices, storage and remedial education, the principal said.

The project was originally approved by the quadrant's juridic council in 1993, Dwyer said.

Thus far donors have pledged \$270,000 toward the \$1 million goal, Dwyer explained. The southeast quadrant will borrow funds from the diocese's Cardinal Mooney fund to cover the remainder of the project's costs, he added.

The Cardinal Mooney fund was established following the 1989 sale of the former Cardinal Mooney High School by the Holy Cross Brothers - the order that ran the school - to the town of Greece. The brothers owed the Rochester diocese money on a loan the diocese made to the order to help build Mooney; the order subsequently used proceeds from the Mooney sale to pay the debt.

Fundraising for the project will take place through September of this year, Dwyer said. The quadrant will pay back the Mooney fund over a period of three to five years as pledges come in.

The addition's design and construction will be handled by Zaepfl-Krog Corporation of Buffalo, Dwyer said. Construction should begin April 1.

- Rob Cullivan

Fund honoring former mayor to help Rochester youths

ROCHESTER - A permanent charitable fund has been established in the name of former Rochester Mayor Thomas P. Ryan Jr.

Grants for the Thomas P. Ryan Jr. Fund for Youth in Action will help young people, ages 15-and-under, develop character and responsibility through a variety of volunteer services, such as park and trail maintenance, housing rehabilitation, neighborhood clean-ups, intergenerational programs, tutoring for younger students, peer

counseling, school beautification, drug-abuse education, and graffiti removal.

The Ryan Fund will be administered by the Rochester Area Foundation, which oversees more than \$36 million in 200 charitable funds.

Contributions to the Ryan Fund can be addressed to the Rochester Area Foundation, 335 E. Main St., Rochester, 14604. Details about the fund can be obtained by calling 716/325-4353.