

The Center for the Healing of Racism

2011 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **St Agnes Academy:** several workshops were conducted in the Healing Racism class facilitated by Mohammed Akhtar (University of Houston – Downtown intern), Carmenchu Grana (University of Houston – Clearlake intern), Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. Steinwender for the Healing Racism class.

- **Bread is a Simple Food, Teaching Children about Cultures:** published in February. Book signings at **First Unitarian Church, Houston Community College Central** and **Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA) - Austin.**

- **Opening the Breadbasket** was presented to the following schools thanks to a grant from **The United Way. Park Place Elementary, Black Middle School, Harvard Elementary School, and Child Protection Agency of Houston** students in foster care. Additional Opening the Breadbasket workshops was held for students at **Sherwood Forest, Regis School, Health Museum, First Unitarian Church** youth education class and **Montessori Country Day School** at four locations .

- **Black History Program: Kincaid Middle School.** Facilitated by Lucy McLaughlin, and Cherry Steinwender

- **Center** celebrates **Black History Month** with a screening of “Journey Toward Peace” facilitated by Madeline Volek and Mike Ingram at **Houston Community College Central.**

- **Black History Month** celebrated at **Texas Southern University,** facilitated dialogue by Cherry Steinwender.

- **Sunnyside Community Development Corporation:** lunch and learn celebrated **Black History Month.** Viewed the DVD, “Mighty Times: The Children’s March”, facilitated by board member, Frankie Watson.

- **First Annual Race Amenity Conference** held in Boston, MA Boston where participants took part in the workshop "Bread is a Simple Food" facilitated by Cherry Steinwender.

- **Center** celebrated “**No Name Calling & Bullying of Any Kind**” **Week** at **Houston Community College Central.**

- **Cooperative for After-School Enrichment (CASE) & Harris County Department of Education.** Facilitated workshop by Ana Eigler.

- **Dialogue: Racism** was held three times this year; winter session at **Grace Lutheran Church,** spring session at **Westbury United Methodist Church** and fall session was held at **Havens Community Center** and was funded with a grant from the **Albert & Ethel Hertzstein Foundation.** Dialogue: Racism was facilitated by Tricia McFarlin, Lucy McLaughlin and Cherry Steinwender.

- **University of Houston – Downtown:** Carmenchu Grana (U of H – Clearlake intern) and Emma Williams presented a workshop on **Remembering 9/11** and the stereotyping of Muslim’s and Arab Americans using DVD Reel Bad Arabs and Raising our Voices.

- **University of Houston - Clearlake:** Cherry Steinwender and Brady Pyle presented the workshop, “Post Racial America”.

- **Commemorating 911:** The Center screened the DVD Reel Bad Arabs at **Houston Community College Central.** Facilitated by Mohammad Akhtar (U of H – Downtown intern), Chirag Patel and Cherry Steinwender.

- **You Are So Loved:** a national chalking project started two years ago to call attention to suicide within the GLBTQ community. The project was conducted for students from **Lanier Middle School** from **Havens Community Center** after school program. The chalking project was led by Mohammed Akhtar (U of H – Downtown intern) and Cherry Steinwender.

- **Hatch:** presented S.O.S Workshop for youth of **GLBTQ community** by Cherry Steinwender calling attention to the bullying and stereotyping.

- **Touchstone Baha’i Youth Conference** held in Bastrop State Park in Bastrop, Texas. S.O.S. Workshop presented by Cherry Steinwender.

- **Texas Network of Youth Services (TNOY) Annual Youth Conference** held in San Marcus, TX. Presented S.O.S Workshop to high school students. Facilitated by Cherry Steinwender.

- **St Agnes Academy** celebrated **Solidarity & Diversity Week** with several workshops conducted by Linda Pilling, Lucy McLaughlin and Cherry Steinwender.

- **KPFT Radio Station Board workshop:** Cherry Steinwender gave a presentation to aid the process.

• **Dialogue: Racism II** held at **Havens Community Center**. Facilitated by Rosita Waden and Cherry Steinwender.

• **Fort Bend County Second Annual Diversity Teen Conference**: “Not Being Defined by Disney” presented by Kimberley Milton and Cherry Steinwender.

• **Center celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month** at **Houston Community College Central**. Screened “Black in Latin America: Cuba documentary. Emma Williams and Carmenchu Grana (U of H – Clearlake intern) facilitated discussion.

• **Center commemorates International Day of Reflection on the Genocide in Rwanda** at **Houston Community College Central**. Screening of the DVD “Ghost of Rwanda” facilitated by Carlos and Cherry Steinwender.

• **Center celebrated World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue & Development**: Screened DVD “East of Eden” at **Houston Community College Central**. Facilitated by Cherry Steinwender and Lenny Hoffman.

• **Center celebrated Asian and Pacific-Island Heritage Month** at **Houston Community College Central**. Screened the DVD “Stolen Ground”. Facilitated by Lucy McLaughlin and Cherry Steinwender.

• **Annual Peace and Justice Youth Camp** Cherry Steinwender conducted a workshop on peace.

• **City of Houston Mayor’s Third Annual Citizenship Week**: the **Center** screened “A Place at the Table”. Facilitated by Ayesha Ganguly and Carmenchu Grana (U of H – Clearlake intern) at Jessie Jones Downtown Houston Library.

• **Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) - Austin, Texas and Children’s Optimal Health** organization staff and volunteers viewed the DVD, “Race-Power of an Illusion” for several all-day workshops. Facilitated dialogue by Lucy McLaughlin and Cherry Steinwender.

• **The Help Dialogue: Center** conducted two dialogues that were facilitated by Barbara Hacker and Cherry Steinwender at **Westbury United Methodist Church**.

• **The Health Museum** as part of the national exhibit titled; **Race: Are We So Different?** Cherry Steinwender and Lucy McLaughlin showed the three part DVD “Race-Power of an Illusion” followed by a dialogue. Emma Williams and Lucy McLaughlin served on the advisory committee for the exhibit.

• **Race to the Finish Line** workshops presented as part of the **Health Museum's national Exhibit "Race: Are We So Different?"** at the following library branches, **McGovern, Smith and Heights Branch Library**. Facilitated by Carmenchu Grana (U of H Clearlake intern) and Mohammed Akhtar (U of H- Downtown intern), Barbara Abel, Barbara Hacker and Cherry Steinwender.

• **Houston Community College Central**: Facilitated presentation by Cherry Steinwender to HCC GED students using the DVD “Place at the Table”.

• **Mankind Project Annual National Conference** held in Des Moines, Iowa. Lenny Hoffman and Cherry Steinwender facilitated “Race: Power of an Illusion”.

• **Annual Juvenile Justice Conference** in Austin, TX. Cherry Steinwender presented the workshop “Bending Long Years of Customs and Habits”.

RADIO AND TELEVISION INTERVIEWS:

• **Channel 8: Freedom Riders Town Hall Meeting** host by Ernie Manouse. Cherry Steinwender served as panelist.

• **KPFT Open Journal**: Cherry Steinwender promoted her book; “Bread is a Simple Food, Teaching Children about Cultures”.

ADDITIONAL EVENTS:

• **Center received Peace Award** from the **Houston Peace and Justice**.

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