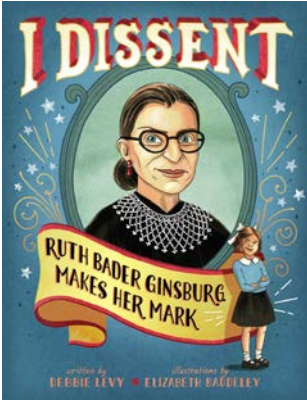


International Day of Peace Celebration
“Choose Civility”
Keeling-Puri Peace Plaza
Friday, September 22, 2017 from 9:00am to 1:00pm

OUR PROGRAM FOR THE DAY:



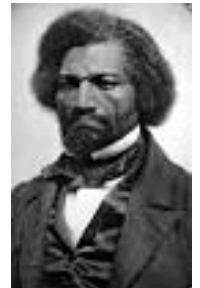
Get to know celebrated Supreme Court justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg—in the first picture book about her life—as she proves that disagreeing does not make you disagreeable and can lead to meaningful discussion rather than becoming a personal conflict. This lively, inviting, and informative biography of a historic woman will empower students to bravely voice their opinions. Each class attending the International Day of Peace will receive a copy of *I Dissent* for their classroom.

Local Judge, The Honorable **Rosemary Collins**, will join Peace Day as special presenter. She will bring Justice Ginsburg to life and will talk about her own role as a judge for Winnebago County’s Circuit Court.

Dorothy Paige-Turner – award-winning, well-known and highly respected artist and music educator will help students understand how each of us can build bridges promoting peace and understanding through music and interactive interpretation of the featured story.

David Causey - History comes to life as veteran actor David Causey portrays **Frederick Douglass**, an advocate for the rights of all people.

Sue Crandall - will portray local legend in peace-making history, Jane Addams. *Ms. Addams* graduated from Rockford College in 1881, and founded and sustained the world famous social settlement Hull-House. In 1931 she received the esteemed Nobel Peace Prize.



Megan Wells – National Award winning actress and storyteller, presents “Island of Hope” an Irish girl telling the story of her journey to America through the amazing and frightening Ellis Island – a journey traveled by the grandparents of Justice Ginsburg.

Interactive peace-making activities include:

Center for Non-Violence – will bring 2 mobile labs; the tech lab has computers and music equipment and the art lab is for sketching and drawing encouraging the children to use imagination in peace-related ways.

Rockford Arts Council - Walk the Chalk! – create messages of peace on the bike path.

Yoga for Everyone – stretch your body as well as your mind with Tami Bogard of Namaste Studios

Winnebago County Sheriff’s Department - get to know our Keepers of the Peace

Rockford’s Sister Cities - will share their languages, stories and customs

Break the Chain – learn the Peace Dance and perform as a group at the noon program

Students can also: “Take the Peace Pledge”, have their passports stamped, do rubbings of the message “May Peace Prevail on Earth” from the Peace Poles, create prayer flags and meet the peaceful pigeons!

Space is limited - To register your students for this free event contact: Karen.Bieschke@aol.com