

Community Dialogues Monthly Reporter



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[Peace Learning Circles Receives NAACP Educational Excellence Award](#)

The Kenosha Branch NAACP held their 2008 Freedom Fund Dinner on November 15, 2008. Peace Learning Circles of Kenosha & Racine was honored with the NAACP Educational Excellence Award for promoting a culture of peace by educating students about non-violent conflict resolution, character building, and how to be peacemakers in their classrooms, homes, and neighborhoods.

[Upcoming Mentor Training](#)

[January 26-4pm-6pm](#) *The Power of Mentoring Relationships for Increased Youth Resiliency-*

Presented by: *Dr. Jeffery C. Wilkins*

Dr. Wilkins has witnessed the power of mentoring relationships in school and community. In this session, he will focus on the practical implications of his research regarding supportive communication between mentors and mentees. Dr. Wilkins will facilitate a discussion regarding overcoming roadblocks to successful mentoring relationships, and help participants reflect upon and describe factors contributing to mentoring success. Participants will gain insights to enhance their mentoring relationships in a fun and interactive session. Dr. Wilkins will also help mentors understand how their support can lead to increased youth resiliency.

[Leadership Café- Habitat for Humanity Work Week Celebration](#)

The Leadership Café group met on December 9th to celebrate the Successful Habitat for humanity Work week. From October 6th through October 10th the Leadership Café, comprised of local high schools from the South Eastern Conference, worked together to refurbish homes in Racine. A

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over 200 students from Burlington, Case, Franklin, Horlick, Muskego, Oak Creek, Park, and South Milwaukee high schools worked with each other to make the community a little brighter. Not only did the students learn the value of hard work, but they also found it an opportunity to meet people from different backgrounds and get to know people from other schools. This activity broke helped to dissolve barriers In addition to building the two homes, five of the schools held individual fundraisers for Habitat for Humanity. Horlick, Case, Park, Muskego, and Burlington donated a total of \$1,211.25 to Habitat for Humanity. Video and pictures of the Work Week will be made available electronically.

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