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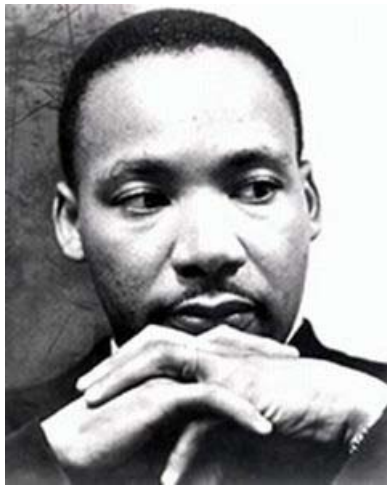
21st Street School CLC Community Newspaper Celebrates Black History Month!!

Martin Luther King Jr. by Felicia Davis



Martin Luther King Jr. was the main leader of the Civil Rights Movement in the 1950's and 1960's. He was a very good speaker and used his speaking to fight for equality for everyone. He protested using non-violence, and helped Rosa Parks succeed against the bus companies in Montgomery using a boycott.

He fought against segregation across the South and led a big march to Washington, D.C. in 1963. There he gave a speech about equality called "I Have a Dream". He faced



violence and threats, but he kept on fighting for civil rights. In 1964, his work helped pass the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and Voting Rights Act of 1965, and helped him win the Nobel Peace Prize. He kept working for civil rights, and fighting poverty, but was killed in Memphis in 1968.

Martin Luther King Jr. is important to me because he had faith in himself. He got everyone together and used non-violence to help fight for civil rights.

Madam CJ Walker by Larisha Hucks



Madam CJ Walker was born in 1867. She moved out of her home, got married at 14, and soon was pregnant with her daughter. She found herself going bald, and created a wonderful hair solution.

She helped lots of bald people gain their hair back with her hair solution, and also established a school to teach people how to use the product. This woman's quick thinking saved thousands of men and women's hair. She



means a lot to me. For instance, she made the world a better place not only by making hair solution, but for establishing several things upon the face of this earth. When I grow up I will make a hair product and dedicate it to her for the time she lived on this earth. The sunset of her life was in 1919.

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- ☺ Get help with your homework
- ☺ Play fun gym-games and work with computers
- ☺ Sing songs, act in plays and make art.
- ☺ Write stories for the newspaper that you are reading right now!

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Malcolm X by Hezekiah Taylor-Chesser



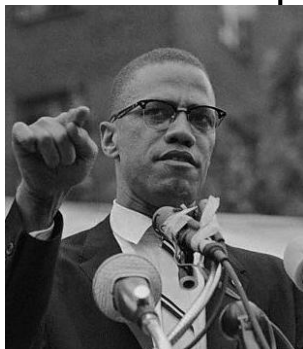
Malcolm X was born in 1925 and died in 1965. He was one of the most influential

African-American leaders of the 1950's and 1960's because he chose to help African-Americans gain equality. Malcolm X quickly became the nation of Islam's most effective minister. When he was a young man, Malcolm began selling and using drugs, turned to burglary, and in 1946 was sentenced to a ten-year prison term on burglary charges. In jail he converted to

Islam, and after he came out he spoke out about the treatment of blacks in America, and white people as devils. Malcolm X got in trouble with the Black Muslim Movement led by Elijah Muhammad because of the speeches he was making.

Malcolm X formed his own organization in 1964. He went to Islam's holy city Mecca. He also adopted views that were not popular with other black nationalists including the ideas that not all whites were evil, and that blacks could make gains by working through established networks.

Because of his thoughts he became the victim of death threats. On February 21, 1965 Malcolm X was shot and killed by members of the nation of Islam. I respect Malcolm X because he learned not to do drugs and sell them while in jail, and because he fought for equal rights. That's why I think he is a good leader.



Frederick Douglass by Calvena Stone



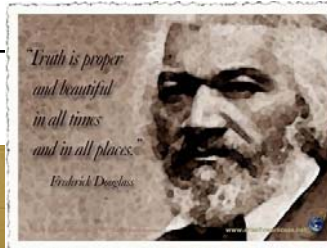
Frederick Douglass was important because he fought against slavery. He was one of the first blacks to fight against the law. He escaped from slavery disguised as a sailor. He found work in Massachusetts, and became one of the agents of the

George Washington Carver By Shantaja Walker



George Washington Carver was an Educator, Agricultural Food Scientist, and a Farmer. Carver discovered hundreds of things that could be made from peanuts and sweet potatoes that changed the way farming was done in the South. His most

Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society. Frederick wrote his Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass about his experience as a slave, and spoke on women's rights and slavery in England and Ireland to raise money to buy his freedom. Before the beginning of the Civil War, Douglass returned to the U.S. and helped



famous invention is peanut butter. Carver also never patented most of his many discoveries he made saying, "God gave them to me, how can I sell them to someone else."



President Abraham Lincoln in the formation of the 54th and 55th Negro Regiments. He became deeply involved in the civil rights movement during Reconstruction. He was a politician in Washington, D.C. and New York until he died. Douglass was a very important man because right now we could still be slaves, but he fought for what was right and didn't like how black people were treated.

He donated over \$30,000 of his life's savings to the George Washington Carver Foundation, and willed the rest of his estate to the organization so his work could be carried on after his death. He means a lot to me because he donated his life to help others who didn't have much, and I love peanut butter.

Featured Person: Carter G. Woodson



Carter G. Woodson, (1875-1950), is widely regarded as the leading writer on black history of his time. He came from a large family whose parents were former slaves. Because of the need to work on the family farm, Woodson did not attend school regularly. He learned on his own until the age of 19 when he was able to enroll in the Frederick Douglass High School in Huntington, West Virginia. In less than two years, he earned his diploma and began teaching at his former high school, and for a short time served as principal. Carter G. Woodson went on to write many books on Black History, founded the The Association for the Study of African American Life and History, and established Negro History Week in 1926 to celebrate the achievements of African Americans. In 1976 this became Black History Month. To find out more about Carter G. Woodson, and many other important African American historical figures, visit www.blackhistory.com.

Langston Hughes
By Tatiana Hardin



Langston Hughes was one of the greatest poets in the whole wide world, and a great African-American author and playwright. He wrote The Best of Simple in 1961 and Five Plays by Langston Hughes in 1963. He wrote and edited more than 50 books during his life. Examples of his work are Not Without Laughter, a novel in 1930.

In his best known poetry, Hughes wrote proudly and optimistically about black people. He was outspoken, emotional, and impulsive in his writings. His drama Mulatto in 1935 had a long run of 313 performances on Broadway. He also wrote The Ways of White Folks in 1934, a collection short stories, and an autobiography titled The Big Sea. I like Langston Hughes because he was a famous writer, and because I like his poems. I want to be a writer like him when I grow up.



CLC Goes Roller Skating on January 26, 2006



The Tigers Basketball Team
By
Dwight Jordan and Antonio Tate

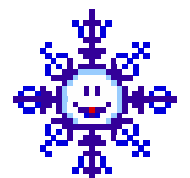
Hi! My name is Antonio and I play guard on the team. My name is Dwight and I play forward on the team. We have a great team and we are going to get trophies. I hope our team makes it to the playoffs. We have two great players on the team and they are named Willie and Amir. The first game we worked together and won the game 11-9. Our friend Willie scored 7 points.

Last year when we were in 4th grade, our basketball team lost every game because we were not good. This year we are doing great, and now we are 3-3. We are in the top 4 and still can make the playoffs. We want to the team to score better and defend better. We also want to accomplish being focused through the whole game.



My Christmas
By
Rickyda Phipps

I am going to tell you about my Christmas. We had turkey and corn with my family for dinner. One of the toys I got was a Bratz doll. We went to church and had a good time eating with my friends. Later, we went outside and played with my cousins. We ran and played hide and seek. I like being with my family because they make me laugh, and make me feel proud of myself. I like Christmas because I get presents and spend time together with my family.



On January 15, 2006, Several CLC Students Submitted Essays They Wrote for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest Sponsored by the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel. The Staff and Students of 21st Street School CLC Salute the Work and Thoughts of These Young Writers.

The Theme of the Essay Was:

"Education and Learning Have Become Tools For Shaping the Future"

Alondra Clark	India Dismukes	Amir S. Henderson
<p>Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's words guide me in the direction I want to go. Education is very important to me because I need it to go to Clark College in Atlanta, Georgia. If I don't have an education I could not go to any other trade school. I want to grow up to be like my older sister who is smart and goes to Clark College.</p> <p>I learn by listening to my teacher. If I didn't listen to my teacher I would not understand what is going on in class. I am always on track because I listen to my teacher.</p> <p>My grandmomma, my momma, and my sister are the women of my life that I look up to. One day I will grow up to be a smart, beautiful woman just like them. They always say, "education comes first in your heart." They are my tools for shaping my future. When I grow up I want to be a K-4 teacher. I love kids. When I grow up there will be a lot of kids who need to be taught. I want to do my part in shaping their future. I will pass on to them the knowledge I learned from the women in my life.</p>	<p>Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Encouraged me to stay in school. He helped white and black people come together. Learning is important to me because I would like to become a flight attendant. I would like to learn different languages and travel all over the world. I think you need to have a good education to do this. If you want to be a nurse, you have to be able to read the medicine labels. If you want to be a lawyer you have to be able to solve a crime. With a good education you will learn how to be a problem solver. Teachers need a good education so they can teach math reading, and language. I am thankful for what Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has taught me. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. believed education was important and so do I believe that education is important.</p>	<p>I think Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s words are full of wisdom. I know that getting a good education means that I Have to get a good night sleep. I have to eat a good breakfast, and that doesn't mean eating candy. I have to exercise to get the oxygen flowing in my blood to open up my brain.</p> <p>When I get to school I remember what my parents always say to me, "Keep doing good in school and follow the teacher's directions!" When I get to class it doesn't matter what is on the board that I have to do. I just do it. Get done with it and hand it in. I bet Dr. King Jr. got the same advice from his parents.</p> <p>It is important to be at school everyday and on time. I don't want to miss anything. I learned that being on time is a sign of respect. I know to listen and not talk while the teacher is talking. Sometimes I get stuck on a test. I study and practice because I know the test is a way the teacher can tell if I learned what she is teaching. I ask questions, and the teacher helps me so I can answer the questions myself. I feel good knowing I always try to do my best.</p> <p>Whenever I get frustrated or get mad I never give up because me, my teacher, and my parents encourage me to always do my best. I don't give up because I have the kind of tool every kid should have. Dr. King Jr. had it. Believing in myself and listening to my parents and teachers is the tool that I use to get through school.</p> <p>I have to pass elementary and middle school. I have to work hard to graduate from high school and college. I am having fun now in the 5th grade. When I get older and in college I want study to be a veterinarian. Martin Luther King Jr. grew up to be Doctor King. I am going to be an animal doctor.</p>
<p>A Note From Academic Coordinator Mr. Hooker:</p>		
<p>There is so much to be proud of and thankful for the many contributions of the men and women of African descent who came before us. I would like to encourage everyone to celebrate Black History each and every day of the year. Remember; Black is Beautiful! You can go to your local library or go to the following web sites to get further information.</p> <p>Mr. Hooker, CLC Academic Coordinator</p> <p>Websites of Interest: www.africaonline.com, www.blackhistory.com www.galegroup.com/free_resources/bhm/activities/index.htm www.gale.com/free_resources/bhm/bio/ www.dltk-kids.com/crafts/black_history_month.htm http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/bhistory/ http://thebluehighway.com/bhistory.html</p>		

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