

# History

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become one of the foremost legends in rock-n-roll.

**1961** - Wynton Marsalis is born in New Orleans, La. A jazz trumpeter from the famous Marsalis family, which includes father Ellis and brothers Branford and Delfayo, he will at 19, become a member of Art Blakely's Jazz Messengers and in 1984 be the first musician to win Grammys for jazz and classical music recordings simultaneously.

**1968** - Bob Beamon wins an Olympic gold medal in the Mexico City Summer Games. His long jump of 29'-2.5" better the world record by over 21".

**1973** - Raisin, a musical adaptation of the Lorraine Hansberry play A Raisin in the Sun, opens on Broadway. It marks the debut of Debbie Allen in the role of Beneatha Younger and will act as the catalyst for her further success in television and choreography.

**1990** - Filmmaker Charles Burnett's 1977 movie Killer of Sheep is among 25 films added to the Library of Congress' National Film Registry. Burnett's film joins other significant films such as All About Eve, The Godfather, and Top Hat.

## OCTOBER 19

**1924** - From Dixie to Broadway premiers at the Broadhurst Theatre in New York City. The music is written by Will Vodery, an African-American, who arranged music for the Ziegfeld Follies for 23 years.

**1936** - Johnnetta Betsch (later Cole) is born in Jacksonville, Fla. She will have a distinguished career as an educator and administrator and become the first African-American woman to head Spelman College.

**1944** - Peter Tosh is born in Westmorland, Jamaica. He will become a founding father of reggae music.

**1946** - The first exhibition of the work of Josef Nassy, an American citizen of Dutch-African descent, is held in Brussels. The exhibit consists of 90 paintings and drawings Nassy created while in a Nazi-controlled internment camp during World War II.

**1981** - The Martin Luther King, Jr. Library and Archives opens in Atlanta, GA. Founded by Coretta Scott King, the facility is the largest repository in the world of primary resource material on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., nine major civil rights organizations, and the American civil rights movement.

**1983** - Grenadan Prime Minister Maurice Bishop is assassinated after refusing to share leadership of the New Jewel Movement with his deputy, Bernard Coard. This event will indirectly lead to the invasion of Grenada by the US and six Caribbean nations.

## OCTOBER 20

**1895** - Rex Ingram is born near Cairo, Ill. He will attend medical school and earn a Phi Beta Kappa key but forsake medicine for the stage, becoming a powerful actor on the stage and screen, most notably as "De Lawd" in the 1936 film The Green Pastures. He will also appear in Cabin in the Sky and Anna Lucasta.

**1898** - North Carolina Mutual Life and Provident Association is organized by seven African-Americans: John Merrick, Dr. Aaron M. Moore, P.W. Dawkins, D.T. Watson, W.G. Pearson, E.A. Johnson, and James E. Shepard. Each invests \$50 in the company, which will grow to become North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company and have over \$211 million in assets and over \$8 billion of insurance in force by 1991.

**1924** - The "First Colored World Series" of baseball is held in Kansas City, Mo. The series, which pits the Kansas City Monarch against the Hillsdale team from Darby, Pa., is won by the Monarchs, five games to four, and was organized by Rube Foster.

**1953** - Jomo Kenyatta and five other Mau Mau leaders are refused an appeal of their prison terms.

# SPORT BRIEFS

## GREEN VALLEY GIRLS WIN ZONE GOLF TITLE

Green Valley's Christine Fernandez shot a 73 to win the individual title in the Class 4A Southern Zone Tournament at Black Mountain. The victory also helped Fernandez's Gators claim their fourth straight zone title. Fernandez finished ahead of teammates Kimberly Kindig and sister Mary Jan Fernandez. Bishop Gorman's Danielle Reilly took fourth and teammate Christine Hentzner rounded out the top five. The Gators qualified for state and will shoot for their fourth-consecutive state title. Green Valley, which shot an overall 401, will be joined at state by Bishop Gorman (439), Durango (451) and Palo Verde (520).

## DALLAS' IRVIN COULD PLAY THIS SEASON

IRVING, Texas — Wearing a protective collar around his neck, Michael Irvin flew home Monday and will await further examinations to determine the severity of his injury. Early indications suggest the Dallas Cowboys receiver will recover from a swollen spinal cord and herniated disc and play again this season. Irvin was injured when he was tackled early in a 13-10 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles, and now the question is how much time will he miss. "It's really too hard to tell how long he's going to be out right now," trainer Jim Maurer said. "We're optimistic that Mike will be back this year." Irvin, who is taking medicine to reduce the swelling, was scheduled to see a Dallas-area spine specialist this week. An MRI will be taken and compared to another taken hours after the injury. How much has changed will determine the next step in his treatment. Exams Sunday showed swelling in the spinal cord in two places near the base of the skull. Maurer said he doesn't expect the new pictures to show any further damage that may have been obscured by the initial swelling.

## WARRICK ENTERS INNOCENT PLEA

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida State wide receiver Peter Warrick and former Seminole Laveranues Cole on Monday pleaded innocent to charges of theft and got a new lawyer. Warrick, a leading candidate for the Heisman Trophy before his arrest, and Coles are accused of paying \$21.40 for \$412.38 worth of clothes with the help of a department store clerk. They turned themselves in to police after being charged with felony theft. The first court hearing was Monday, but neither player was required to attend and neither did. The innocent pleas were entered into the files as a matter of routine.

## QUESTIONS LINGER AROUND LAKERS

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — As the Los Angeles Lakers broke training camp Monday, questions arose. Will Shaquille O'Neal, who went 0-for-8 from the free throw line in a scrimmage Sunday night, ever make more than 50 percent of his free throws? Will he get to rest with roving veterans John Salley and Benoit Benjamin behind him? Can point guard Derek Fisher run the new triangle offense? O'Neal refused to answer questions and walked away from reporters asking

about his free-throw shooting. "I wish we had another week before we start, but, you know, this is it, so we play it," coach Phil Jackson said. "I am going to try to get everybody a chance to play a little bit and still get my starters some minutes. "Building conditioning and playing together is important." Jackson feels his team has made strides, but knows it is going to take time for the players to adjust to his style. The Lakers hoped to have veteran point guard Ron Harper, who played for Jackson in Chicago during the Bulls' run of six championships in the 1990s, in uniform by the end of the week, but Jackson is confident Harper can step right in when he arrives.

## U.S. DRAWS ZIMBABWE IN DAVIS CUP

NEW YORK — With the volatile John McEnroe in charge and Andre Agassi back on the team, the Americans will be heavy favorites when they face Zimbabwe in the first round of the Davis Cup on Feb. 4-6. "It's a tough travel trip, but I like our chances," McEnroe said at a news conference in New York. The United States was drawn to play at Harare, Zimbabwe, in a potentially tricky first-round World Group match. But Zimbabwe, which upset Australia away from home two years ago, has a strong veteran team led by brothers Byron and Wayne Black. And the Americans will have to cope with a long trip to an unfamiliar country. McEnroe said he recently talked to Pete Sampras about playing. Then he dropped to his knees with his hands clasped as in prayer, saying, "Here's the nature of my talk with Pete." "I think he realizes it's the right thing to do," McEnroe said. "I think his priorities have shifted." Zimbabwe's top tennis official described the pairing with the United States as a "dream draw." "This will be the biggest sporting event ever in Zimbabwe," tennis federation president Paul Chingoka said. "It can't get any bigger than this. Just think. A small nation like ours hosting a giant. "The result of the match doesn't matter so much. Having McEnroe, Agassi and hopefully Sampras coming to town will have a huge impact on the development of tennis in Zimbabwe." The matches will be played on an indoor hard court at the 5,000-seat City Sports Center.

## FATHER OF BOXER BUSTER DOUGLAS DIES

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The father of former heavyweight champion Buster Douglas, himself a former amateur champion, has died of colon cancer at age 59. William L. Douglas II, who also was a pro boxer, died at his home. Douglas, the Golden Gloves middleweight champion in 1963, was 41-14-1 in his 13-year career, with 31 knockouts. Buster Douglas won the undisputed heavyweight title in February 1990 with a shocking knockout of then-unbeaten Mike Tyson in the 10th round of a fight in Tokyo. Douglas went into the fight as a 42-1 underdog. He lost the title to Evander Holyfield in his next fight on a third-round knockout, and he didn't fight again for six years. William Douglas also is survived by another son, William; four grandchildren and a great-grandson. His wife, Lula Pearl Douglas, and sons Arthur and Robert, are deceased.



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