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Jackson: Documentary betrayed trust

LONDON (AP) - Michael Jackson filed complaints with two TV watchdogs last week over a controversial documentary about his life, during which the King of Pop revealed he sometimes lets children sleep in his bed.

Jackson, who said he felt betrayed by the "terrible" documentary, had his lawyers file the complaints with Britain's Independent Television Commission and the Broadcasting Standards Commission, saying he had been "unfairly treated" by the program.

His legal team also claimed that "Living With Michael Jackson," which was broadcast in Britain last week was an infringement of his privacy. The program aired Thursday night on ABC's



Pop superstar Michael Jackson speaks with reporter Martin Bashir (L) in his unprecedented and exclusive access to his very private life for a groundbreaking documentary that aired Thursday. The 90-minute landmark film gave viewers a fascinating personal insight into the mind of one of the world's biggest stars.

The complaint filed with the Independent Television Commission alleged the documentary "contains the

son is guilty of inappropriate against him in 1993 of a behavior with children." It said the show's voiceovers, questions and editing gave

clear innuendo that Mr. Jack- credence to allegations made

sexual offense against a child. In the complaint filed with (See Jackson, Page 12)

Pioneer cop

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Among other things, February's focus on Black History Month calls one's attention to the importance of documentation.

Community activist Isadore Washington, 71, made history as one of the first black officers in what was then the Las Vegas Police Department. Today he heads the West Las Vegas Neighborhood Executive Board, created by former pro

football player and (speaking of black history) the first African-American elected to the Las Vegas City Council, developer Frank Hawkins.

Washington's been president of WLVNEB for eight

He's also a photographer who has documented people, places and events inextricably linked to the saga of African-Americans in the Las Vegas Valley. Not long after moving here from the South,

he recognized an old neighbor from Dixie - out here in the west - as, to what must have been deep chagrin, he discovered that Jim Crow, too, was a Las Vegas resi-

"You could work in those hotels and clubs," he recalled, "but you couldn't go in there and gamble."

Born in Louisiana, he'd moved to Nevada at age nine. FDR was president, then-Democrat Ronald Reagan was a lousy actor. Washington left for a while, and by the time he came back Reagan was Republican, and a lousy president.

He attended "the old Westside school, where (radio station) KCEP is now," Washington recalled, "Fifth Street Grammar School, and Las Vegas High School." He described himself as a good student, said he was a prep football player as well, and, (See Washington, Page 13)

Two fairs planned to stress good health

By John T. Stephens III Sentinel-Voice

This month is not only Black History Month, but apparently is also health awareness month, and there're two organizations that're throwing events to remind people of the importance of good health and taking care of one's self. The Healthy Hearts Project (HHP), which is an affiliate of the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension (UNCE), is hosting a Health Block Party on behalf of Community Partners for Better Health (CPBH).

A group of civic organizations have pulled their resources to present "Men's Health Summit."

Saturday, Feb. 15, is the day for both events, with the block party from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 West Lake Mead Blvd.; and the summit, starting at 11:00 a.m. at Nevada Partners, 710 W. Lake Mead Blvd.

Comedian "Sweet Lou" Collins will host the men's health event, and issues such as heart disease, male sexuality, fitness and nutrition, colon cancer, and HIV/ AIDS will be discussed in an entertaining and informative format.

CPBH's Health Block Party will have agencies with tables set up to distribute pamphlets and answer questions about health related concerns. Organizations such as the American Heart Association; Buzzard Eye Institute for Corneal and Refractive Surgery; Clark County Health District; Clinic on Wheels; Courage Unlimited, Inc.; Southern Nevada Black Nurses' Association, Inc. and others will be on hand, along with food, prizes and free entertainment.

"The Healthy Hearts Project's focus is on heightening the awareness of risk factors and cardiovascular disease, to eliminate health disparities between African-Americans and whites," said Dr. Larry Gamell, program officer of HHP. "The more that is done to heighten the awareness, the better off we will all be."

The HHP is funded by a grant from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention through its REACH (See Fairs, Page 2)



studio that details the changing times in Las Vegas.

Historical photographer Isadore Washington proudly displays his work from his private

Hip-hop group calls off Pepsi boycott

NEW YORK (AP) - A hip-hop network founded by music impresario Russell Simmons called off a planned boycott of Pepsi products, saying it had reached an agreement with the soft drink-

The Hip-Hop Summit Action Network, which had threatened the boycott after Pepsi pulled an ad featuring rapper Ludacris, said the deal calls for Pepsi to make a multimillion-dollar donation over several years to the rapper's foundation.

However, Pepsi spokesman Larry Jabbonsky denied Tuesday night that the company had agreed to donate money to the foundation. He putting this relationship tosaid Pepsi hadn't decided "how and to whom funding will be allocated."

"We are in the process of

gether," Jabbonsky said.

Tuesday, Earlier Jabbonsky had said Pepsi and

(See Boycott, Page 13)

Hip-Hop mogul Russell Simmons spoke at a news conference in New York last week in support of an economic boycott of Pepsi. The planned boycott was called off Tuesday after an agreement was reached between the two.

