

# Hudson

(Continued from Page 1) report indicates a parole supervisor declined to issue a warrant to revoke Balfour's parole after his arrest for possession of cocaine.

"Per supervisor... no warrant," the report reads. "Agent to monitor offender, impose sanctions."

Corrections Department spokesman Derek Schnapp said officials determined "the evidence that was presented during that time wouldn't have necessarily warranted a violation."

Court records do not indicate the reason a judge found no probable cause for

the drug arrest.

A felony arrest usually is enough for Corrections to revoke parole, said Thomas Peters, a Chicago criminal defense attorney who represents parolees.

"Even though the criminal case is dismissed does not mean that you necessarily get a pass on a parole violation because the standard of proof is much less," Peters said.

Peters added, however, that officials also would have considered Balfour's fairly clean record as a parolee and that he apparently still had a job. In addition, he said, jail and prison overcrowding of-

ten play a role in determining whether parole is revoked.

Donerson, 57, and Jason Hudson, 29, were found in their home Friday afternoon. The body of Julian, who lived with the other victims, was found in the back of an SUV on Chicago's West Side on Monday. Authorities declared his death a homicide Tuesday but would not say how long he had been dead.

In a message posted on her MySpace.com page Monday, Julian's mother thanked people for their prayers and said her son's "lil soul is at ease."

tory report.

Criminal charges can send parolees back to prison and keep them there even if the counts are ultimately dropped. A board that reviews such cases after parolees are sent back to prison relies on a preponderance of the evidence, a lower standard than in court. The board considers the violence of the original crime, the parole agent's recommendation, the arrest report, the parolee's adjustment and his attitude during a follow-up interview in prison, among other things.

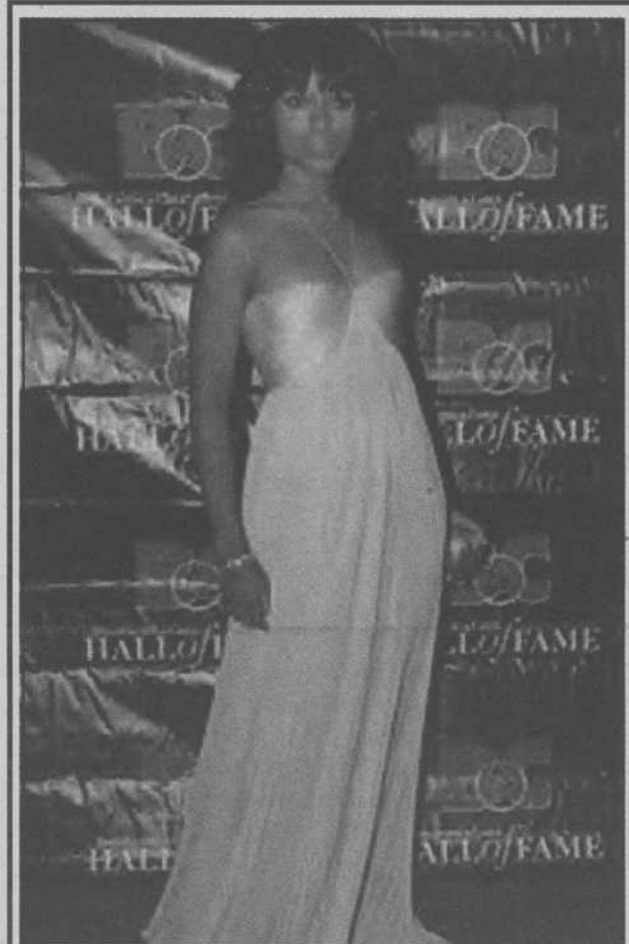
In Balfour's case, a violation could have sent him back behind bars for a period as long as the remainder of his parole — until May 2009 — minus a day off for each day of good behavior. That would have meant a release date in mid-December at the earliest.

Parole records also show that a woman at Balfour's home refused to open the door during an agent's visit on Aug. 27. The woman told the agent during the 8:30 a.m. visit that Balfour was at work, but Balfour's boss told the agent he wasn't due until noon.

"Agent heard other people inside the host site and suspected maybe suspicious activities going on," the report said. "Agent will be following up for a possible warrant on parolee."

Parolees must agree to allow agents to visit their homes and consent to searches. There's no warrant mentioned in following days on the report, which does note, however, that Balfour passed a drug test.

Schnapp, the corrections spokesman, said the evidence again wasn't sufficient to warrant revoking parole.



**KERRY IS SO VERY...**  
Actress Kerry Washington poses as she arrives at the Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame Awards in New York on Tuesday.



**VOTING LADIES**  
Veteran actresses Sanaa Lathan and Regina Hall, center, mixed and mingled with guests at the West Las Vegas Arts Center Amphitheater on Sunday after campaigning for Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama.

Sentinel-Voice photos by Marty Frierson

# Bits 'n' Pieces

## Vulgar and funny, America's first rapper Rudy Ray Moore dead at 81

(TMS) — He produced comedy albums which were thought to have embarrassed the likes of Redd Foxx and Richard Pryor. He produced his albums with a rhyme and rhythm which predate modern rap. He was Rudy Ray Moore or "Dolemite" as many of his inner-city fans preferred to call him.

Moore died last Sunday in Akron, Ohio at the age of 81. Death was caused by complications due to diabetes. Very little of Moore's works reached mainstream audiences but his profanity-laced and sexually explicit performances made him a near cult hero in inner-city America from the late 1950s to the mid 1970s. He performed long enough to even influence modern rap. Rapper Snoop Dogg once said of him, "Without Rudy Ray Moore, there would be no Snoop Dogg, and that's for real." Amazingly, among Moore's survivors is his 98-year-old mother, Lucille.



**Rudy Ray Moore**

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## Mariah Carey launches "Luscious Pink" dress design competition



**Mariah Carey**

(TMS) — Singer Mariah Carey is challenging her fans to design "a luscious pink dress" for the songstress in celebration of the launch of her new fragrance — "Mariah Carey's Luscious Pink." Three dresses will be produced from the competition: one for Carey, one for the design winner and one to benefit efforts to find a cure for breast cancer. Interested persons have until November 14 to submit their designs. Addition information about the competition is available online at [www.mariahcareybeauty.com](http://www.mariahcareybeauty.com).

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## Halle Berry moves to Canada to be near her baby's father

(TMS) — According to media reports, Oscar winning African-American actress Halle Berry is leaving the United States for a \$1.6 million lake-side home in Quebec, Canada. The property is near the hometown of her boyfriend and father of her child Gabriel Aubry. The home is said to sit on 62 acres of land and overlooks a private lake. The 42-year-old Berry and the 32-year-old Aubry have not yet married even though the couple had a child seven months ago.



**Gabriel Aubry and Halle Berry**

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## Noreen Phillips will be featuring her latest line of women's alluring attire



**Noreen Phillips**

International fashion designer Noreen Phillips will be featuring her latest line of women's alluring attire at Nancy Justice and A Link to Fashion Trunk Show. The current collection is the definition of chic. The St. Maarten resident has been profiled in various documentaries. She has participated in fashion shows in Paris, London, New York, and Caracas. Owner of several boutiques in the Caribbean, Noreen's fashions have graced the fashion arena for over two decades. Previewing and sale of her collection will take place November 1, at Four Seasons Hotel. Noreen will share a fashion show with a variety of designers displaying casual, Afrocentric and cruise wear.

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