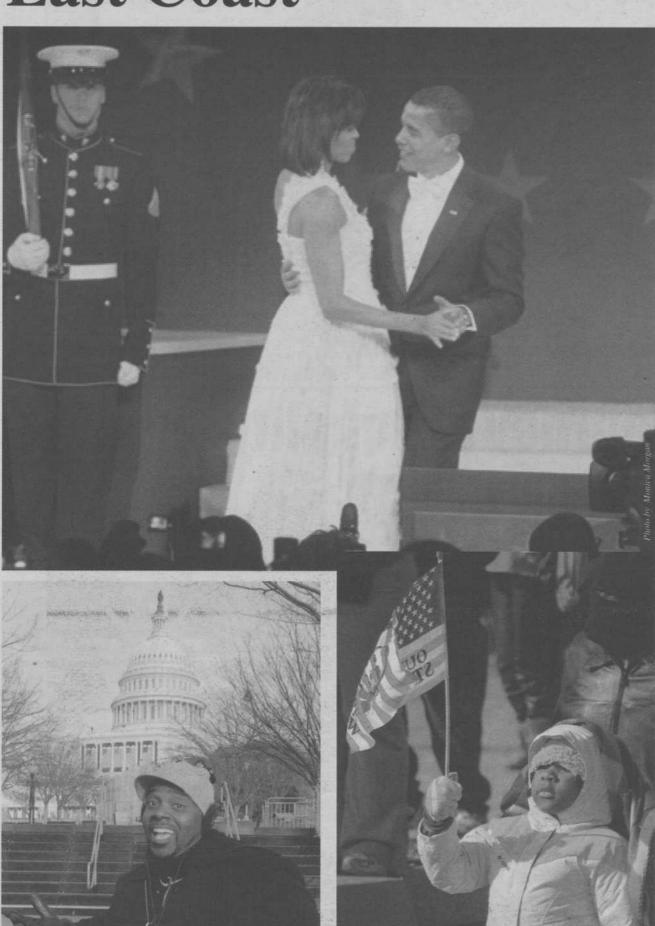
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Jill Scott confirms pregnancy; baby due April 25



Jill Scott

(TMS) Grammy award-winning singer Jill Scott revealed last week that she is six months pregnant. The baby, who will be her first child, is due for delivery on April 25. Scott's revelation came as she walked on stage to promote her new HBO series "The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency" at a Television Critics Association conference. The 36-year-old

singer/actress is engaged to drummer Lil John Roberts. She is a three-time Grammy award winner.

Facing jail time, rapper DMX prepares release of gospel album

(TMS) Although he has sold 22 million records and made millions of dollars, rapper DMX is currently in an Arizona jail awaiting sentencing on charges of animal cruelty, identity theft and drug possession. His stay in jail has apparently given him time to think. He told a Phoenix television station last week he did no wrong; will soon be releasing a gospel album and that



DMX

he plans to never return to Arizona. DMX (real name Earl Simmons) faces at least 90 days in jail, and possibly much more, when he is sentenced. The New York native with eight children says he is even considering becoming a pastor.

Hot-tempered super model Naomi Campbell settles lawsuit with maid



Naomi Campbell

(TMS) Supermodel Naomi Campbell has made a second career out of her notoriously hot temper. She has been charged on more than one occasion for hitting maids, aides and even police officers. Well, last week one of her outbursts came to a peaceful end when she reached a financial settlement with a former maid who had accused the British-born model of hitting her and calling

her names. Details of the settlement were not revealed, but spokespersons said Campbell and the maid, Gaby Gibson, were both happy. The lawsuit was settled in New York. The 38-year-old Campbell has often blamed her fiery temper on the fact that her father abandoned her when she was a child.

T.I. show not part of community service

LOS ANGELES (AP) - T.I. is using his upcoming MTV reality show to scare teens straight, and it's not part of the 1,000 hours of community service he must complete before facing a prison sentence March 27. The 28-year-old rapper told the Television Critics Association on Friday that he's put in 864 hours so far. He said: "This show is in



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addition to [that]." T.I., whose real name is Clifford Harris, was sentenced to one year in prison on federal weapons charges after he was arrested in Atlanta in 2007 for allegedly trying to buy automatic weapons. The show began filming in June and will continue to shoot until March. "T.I's Road to Redemption: 45 Days to Go" premieres Feb. 10.

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