2014
BLACK HISTORY MONTH ESSAY CONTEST

EXTENDED DEADLINE

BLACK HISTORY MONTH BLOOMINGTON STYLE:

HEROES IN HISTORY & CULTURE

WHICH HERO DO YOU ADMIRE?

WHICH HERO WILL YOU GROW-UP TO BE?

OPEN TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 4-12 !!!

ESSAY SUBJECTS LIST:

~VIRGIL GARNETT TRICE, JR. (1926-1997)
CHEMICAL ENGINEER

~ TAVIS SMILEY (BORN 1964)
PBS TV HOST

~ KAREN FREEMAN WILSON (BORN 1960)
MAYOR OF GARY, INDIANA

~WES MONTGOMERY(1923-1968)
JAZZ GUITARIST

~ MADAM C.J. WALKER (1867-1919)
FIRST SELF-MADE MILLIONAIRE IN THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN'S HAIR CARE MARKET

~ GEORGE TALIAFERRO (BORN 1927)
FORMER FOOTBALL PLAYER

~EMMA CHIRSTY BAKER (1865-1955)
1ST AFRICAN-AMERICAN POLICE OFFICER

~FRANCES E. MARSHALL
1ST AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE GRADUATE OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY

~MARSHALL "MAJOR" TAYLOR (1878 –1932)
CYCLIST & WON A TRACK CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIP IN 1899

~RICHARD G. HATCHER (BORN 1933)
FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN MAYOR OF GARY, INDIANA

~JULIA CARSON (1938- 2007)
SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR INDIANA'S 7TH DISTRICT

GUIDELINES:

EXTENDED DEADLINE- February 13, 2014 at 5PM

***Length: 500-600 words**

***Select a Hero of History & Culture from the essay subjects list.**

***Describe significant aspects of the subject's life story and how he or she has demonstrated leadership and contributed to society. Essays will be evaluated on content, grammar, and attention to detail.**

***First, second, & third place prizes will be awarded in three categories: Elementary(4-6 grades) /Middle (7-8 grades) /& High School (9-12 grades).**

Include your name, grade, email address, telephone number, and name of your school.

Email submissions to:
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or
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