



Cougar Daily's "The Potty Mouth" 2/5-2/11

The Bathroom Sensation That's Sweeping the Nation

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Interesting Black Figures Throughout History

Here are a few interesting black figures throughout history who you may or may not know about, in the spirit of Black History Month! There are so many more exceptional men and women that are not covered in this edition, so I would recommend looking them up on your own!

- Matthew Henson – Henson was one of the members of Robert Peary's team, who reached the North Pole in 1909. Though Peary is the only one given credit for the achievement, Henson was an invaluable member of the team and is suggested to be the one who reached the North Pole first, instead of Peary.
- Marsha P. Johnson – Marsha was a gay rights activist in the 60s and 70s. As a transgender woman and a drag queen, Marsha participated in the Stonewall Riots and eventually led her own riots, as well. She and Sylvia Rivera, a Puerto Rican transgender woman, started the Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries (STAR) which provided a safe place for transgender youth. Marsha would pass away in 1992, of suspected foul play, but New York would go on to commission a monument of her and Rivera, and a waterfront park was also named after Johnson.
- Shirley Chisholm – Chisholm was the first African American woman in Congress, and

she was also the first African American and the first woman to run for president. She was the second African American to be part of Congress. She was also the first black woman and second woman overall to serve on the House Rules Committee. Throughout her time in Congress, Chisholm introduced 50 pieces of legislation, and fought for gender and racial equality, the poor, and even ending the Vietnam War. She retired in 1983 and co-founded the Women's National Political Caucus in 1971 and the National Political Congress of Black Women later.

- Jesse Owens – Owens was a Track & Field athlete who won four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics in 1936. Owens had set world records for Track events even in high school, where he set a record for the long jump – 24 feet and 11 ¾ inches. Even after falling down a flight of stairs before competing at the Big Ten Championships, in 1935 he tied the world record for the 100-yard dash and set three more world records for three other events, in only about 45 minutes. Owens was also the first American athlete to win four gold medals in a single Olympiad. Owens worked with children and, post-Olympics, traveled to speak at various events including youth groups, PTAs, black history programs, and more. In 1976, Gerald Ford presented him with the Metal of Freedom, and in 1979, President Carter

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