

Topping this past week's news was the sad news of the death of Ossie Davis.

Ossie Davis, the black actor distinguished for roles dealing with racial injustice on stage, screen and in real life, has died, an aide said Friday. He was 87. He gave the famous eulogy for Malcolm X.

[Rosa Parks](#) lawsuit is still making news. A lawyer for Rosa Parks (a.k.a. Mother of Civil Rights Movement)-- Reed said. "You can't put a price on a name. You really can't put a price on a legacy." The lawsuit started by a song made by the hip-hop group Outkast. They were later dropped from the suit.

The [Epiphany Prize Nominees](#) were named. Among them: REDEMPTION: THE STAN TOOKIE WILLIAMS STORY, a Fox made-for-TV movie starring Jamie Foxx as the reformed gang leader. Stan "Tookie" Williams is the founder of the Crips L.A. street gang..

The hip-hop radio station in New York, [Hot 97](#)'s saga continued, with a few firings of staff. Rap artist Jin was very quick to respond to Hot 97's song and the morning show with a song of his own in the days following the suspensions. Now Jin and the only co-host to stand up for herself and her beliefs Miss Info have teamed up for a Fundraising event to benefit the Asia Relief Fund.

Legal troubles for rappers [Master P](#) (real name Percy Miller) and his brother Vyshonn (rap name Silkk the Shocker) as they were arrested last Thursday in Los Angeles when police discovered two loaded handguns in a car carrying the two hip hop rap artist.

Hip-hop rap artist [Snoop Dogg](#) has been accused of raping a woman in his dressing room. The alleged victim claims to have been sexually assaulted by the entertainer and his friends following the recording of a TV show.

A Bay Area rap artist was shot and killed by police. Killed was [Terry Lee Grinner Jr](#) . known to

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the hip-hop and rap community as TL "Young Grinn" Grinner from the Link Crew. The Link Crew was comprised of rap artist Ray Luv, Young Grinn and Ant D.O.G..

Westcoast rap artist [Tray Deee](#) , (whose real name is Tracy Lamar Davis) who formed the group Tha Eastsidaz with hip-hop rap artist Snoop Dogg and rapper Goldie Loc, was sentenced to 12 years in prison Wednesday in connection with a 2003 Long Beach shooting case.

[Damion Butler](#) , a manager for female rap artist Lil' Kim, pleaded guilty Friday to participating in a shooting outside a radio station, leaving the rap diva and two others to stand trial for their part Feb. 28th.

Compton rap artist [The Game](#) made news with his new album and the alleged attack on radio personality Zxulu of Washington D.C.'s WKYS, the the reports of his house being shot up in Compton.

Dr. [Mutulu Shakur](#) , Tupac Shakurs" father; will be going for his parole hearing on February 7th 2005. Send letters of support now! Let support his freedom now! Send prayers on February 7th for his freedom.

Finially, there was a Editorial by Robert on “ [The Elimination of Hip-Hop](#) “. Featuring a look at what Min. Louis Farrakhan had to say to the hip-hop community and rap stars Ja Rule and 50 Cent back in Oct. of 2003 and how maybe Min. Louis Farrakhan for told the future in those statements.

This week also was the start of Black History month. There are many things going on to celebrate Black History month, many of them are reported on our site.