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This Month's Photo



Dean Foster's view from Martin Hall after a late autumn snowfall.



Students enjoy the performances at the annual Kwanzaa celebration in December.



February is Black History Month: Did you know. . . ?

On January 16, 1941, A Black scientist, Dr. Charles Richard Drew, pioneered the *blood plasma bank* in Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. This bank served as one of the models for the system operated later by the American Red Cross. Dr. Drew's plasma bank is credited with saving thousands of lives during World War II.

On March 26, 1872, a Black inventor, Thomas I. Martin, was awarded a patent for the *fire extinguisher*.

The first *video home security system* was patented December 2, 1969 to Black inventor Marie Brown.

Find more ["fast facts" on African-American history](#) and [inventors](#).

The "oldest style of Tabasco bottle known to exist" was found along with [the archeological evidence of a Black-owned saloon in Reno, Nevada](#).

"Malcolm X has returned to Harlem" and has a permanent home for the next 75 years at the [Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture](#). The collection will include Malcolm X's diaries, photos, the handwritten text of 67 radio addresses, and letters from Malcolm to his wife Betty Shabazz. The institute is preparing to exhibit some items from the collection in May 2004. Available on-line exhibits include [Harlem 1900-1940](#).

The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture is located at 515 Malcolm X Blvd. (at 135th St.) in Manhattan. for additional information regarding exhibits

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