

**Black Movies, TV**

**News Briefs**

"Paul Robeson," starring James Earl Jones is now playing in Washington where it was greeted by a press conference called by an ad hoc group including Paul Robeson, Jr. that issued a statement calling the play a "pernicious reversion of the essence of Paul Robeson" — even if unintended. So far, the play has been greeted by pickets in Boston and Philadelphia and leaflets in Chicago saying black playwright Phillip Hays Dean "trivializes" Robeson as a "naive, ignoble giant." The playwright interrupted the D.C. press conference to defend his play.



**Fred Williamson**  
...Stars in new film

by Nigerian playwright Wole Soyinka, directed by Lloyd Richards with music by Billy Taylor and choreography by Chuck Davis.

Fred Williamson has set Dec. 28 as the date his latest film, "Mr. Mean" will premiere in Atlanta, Ga., at the Rialto Theatre.

A Socialist Variety Show is the feature of the YPSL Benefit Theatre 'n Party to be held Saturday, Dec. 17 at Automation House, 49 E. 68th St.

"A Hero Ain't Nothin' But A Sandwich," the Radnitz-Mattel Productions filming of Alice Childress' novel and which won Second Prize at the Virgin Island Film Festival stars Cicely Tyson and Paul Winfield, introduces 16-year-old Larry Scott and also stars David Groh and Glynn Turman.

Jill Gomez Knight is president of Gemini Cards, Third World Greetings cards that are featuring a "reflection of roots" in its Christmas assortment. Gemini is located at 12775 Lyndon, Detroit, Mich. 48227. Telephone (313) 934-6560.

MANHOOD Foundations, Inc., one of the oldest citywide community-based correctional rehabilitation agencies for ex-inmates in NYC, is sponsoring an Exhibition of Prison Art on Wednesday, Dec. 14 at the Harlem Street Office Building.

The Afro American Total Theatre is presenting "Karma," a new musical by John Scott and Stan Cowell, through

Dec. 18 at the New York Arts Consortium, 36 W. 62nd Street. It's a part of "A National Cultural Jubilee." A meeting of the African American Federation of Arts will be held on Dec. 18 and from Dec. 29 through Jan. 8 the Afro American Total Theatre is remounting "The Lion and the Jewel"

**Ms. Greene Hosts**

**Sans Souci**

**Bridge Club**

The Sans Souci Bridge Club held its December meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Doretha Green, 1908 Oaklawn Ave.

Three progressions of bridge were played and prizes were awarded as follows: 1st prize - Mary Lee Henderson, 2nd prize - Doretha Greene, 3rd prize - Laura Malone.

The club gave a check for \$100 to the Anita Stroud Foundation and each member was presented a gift and Christmas card from the hostess.

Members of the Sans Souci Bridge Club are: Mary Lee Henderson - president, Mildred Alridge, Thelma Byers, Doretha Greene, Laura Malone, Louise Holloman, Glayds Moreland, Ann Roberts and Grace Wylie.

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