

# **CHELSEA HOUSE PUBLISHERS**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **CHELSEA HOUSE PUBLISHERS ISSUES BLACK AMERICANS OF ACHIEVEMENT – LEGACY EDITIONS**

Northborough, MA, December 16, 2004 – Chelsea House Publishers, a leading nonfiction publisher of curriculum-oriented books for children and young adults and a unit of Hights Cross Communications, Inc., today announced it has released 18 updated biographies from its award-winning Black Americans of Achievement series. Twelve of the thoroughly revised Legacy Editions were released this fall and six more titles will be available in spring 2005.

“The individuals profiled in these Legacy Editions were chosen for their actions, deeds, and influence on the lives of others,” said Sally Cheney, Vice President, Editor-in-Chief of Chelsea House Publishers. “By sharing these stories of unique Americans, we hope to illustrate how ordinary individuals can be transformed by extraordinary circumstances to become people of greatness. We are proud to play a role in introducing a new generation of young-adult readers to the lives and accomplishments of some of America’s most inspiring and notable African American leaders.”

Important cultural and political figures featured in the updated series include: Muhammad Ali: Heavyweight Champion; Frederick Douglass: Abolitionist Editor; W.E.B. Du Bois: Scholar and Activist; Marcus Garvey: Black Nationalist Leader; Jesse Jackson: Civil Rights Leader and Politician; Martin Luther King, Jr.: Civil Rights Leader; Malcolm X: Militant Black Leader; Thurgood Marshall: Supreme Court Justice; Rosa Parks: Civil Rights Leader; Sojourner Truth: Antislavery Activist; Harriet Tubman: Antislavery Activist; and Nat Turner: Slave Revolt Leader; Alex Haley: Author; Langston Hughes: Poet; Coretta Scott King: Civil Rights Activist; Jesse Owens: Champion Athlete; Colin Powell: Soldier and Statesman; and Booker T. Washington: Educator and Racial Spokesman.

Each Legacy Edition features new text, a full-color design, and, wherever possible, full-color photographs. Other new book features include quotes from the writings and speeches of these great Americans as well as interesting and unusual facts about their lives. The concluding section of each book emphasizes the legacy of these men and women for the current generation of readers.

For further information on the Black Americans of Achievement, Legacy Editions, call Chelsea House Publishers at (800) 848.2665 or visit online at [www.chelseahouse.com](http://www.chelseahouse.com).

**About Chelsea House Publishers:** Chelsea House Publishers, founded in 1966 and located in Northborough, MA, is a leading publisher of high-quality, nonfiction books for children and young adults on such topics as American history, multicultural studies, biographies, sports, science, and health. In addition, Chelsea House offers hundreds of volumes of literary criticism, edited by Harold Bloom, Sterling Professor of the Humanities, Yale University, as well as reference books for older readers. Its books are broadly adopted worldwide by public and school libraries. For more information, visit [www.chelseahouse.com](http://www.chelseahouse.com).

**About Hights Cross Communications:**

Founded in 1997 and based in White Plains, NY, Hights Cross Communications is a premier educational and library publisher dedicated to creating the finest books, audio products, periodicals, software and online services, serving the following markets: K-12 supplemental education, public and school library publishing, audio books, and medical continuing education publishing. Hights Cross companies include: Sundance/Newbridge Educational Publishing (Northborough, MA), Triumph Learning (New York, NY), Buckle Down Publishing (Iowa City, IA), Options Publishing (Merrimack, NH), Oakstone Publishing (Birmingham, AL), Recorded Books (Prince Frederick, MD), and Chelsea House Publishers (Northborough, MA). For more information, visit [www.hightscross.com](http://www.hightscross.com).

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