AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY ROOTED IN DETROIT

The Fist serves as an iconic Detroit landmark dedicated to a hometown hero, Joe Louis, one of the greatest and most influential African American boxers of all time. The monument symbolizes the power of Louis’ punch both inside and outside the ring, as Louis fought against segregation laws and racism.

TRIVIA

Visit the Tigers African American Heritage webpage at tigers.com/africanamericanheritage for the answers to the following questions and to learn more about the legacy of African Americans in the game of baseball!

1. When Willie Horton retired, he was ranked sixth in career home runs by an American League right-handed hitter! HOW MANY CAREER HOME RUNS DID WILLIE HORTON HIT?

2. In 2009, the Willie Horton African American Legacy award was created to honor African Americans who have strengthened the legacy of baseball in the African American community and have contributed to the rich history of the Detroit Tigers. Who was the first person to win the award in 2009?

3. Gates Brown was one of the best pinch-hitters of all time and holds the American League record for pinch-hit at bats in a career! When the Tigers won the World Series in 1968, what was his batting average as a pinch-hitter that season?

4. What year did Willie Horton have a .543 batting average and hit 36 home runs, which helped the Tigers win the World Series that year?

5. What is Mr. Horton’s current job in the Tigers Front Office?

QUESTIONS?

As a part of Black History Month, Niko Goodrum will be answering some of your questions in a special Black History Month video! Submit your questions about Black History Month to TigersKidsClub@tigers.com by Tuesday, February 9 for a chance to have your question answered by Niko Goodrum!

Now it’s your turn to create your own Black History Month themed Wallpaper Wednesday! Draw any iconic African American athlete, celebrity, leader, artists, or individual that inspires you and send a photo of your wallpaper to TigersKidsClub@tigers.com.