Family shuttered after raid, eviction

An emergency order to vacate was issued.

And just like that, out of the blue of a summer morning, the Harrisons lost their home and what they thought was their good standing among their neighbors.

“I never saw so much hate build up in one minute,” B.J. Harris said the next day.

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CIA strike on US citizens in Yemen stirs legal debate

Did the United States have the right to kill Anwar al-Awlaki, the cleric who was among two American citizens killed in a CIA-led drone attack Friday in Yemen? Human rights advocates and legal scholars are divided, with the answer hanging on whether the top apologist for Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula is indeed a U.S. citizen.

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During its annual four-month spring-to-fall season, federal regulations show, the amount far exceeds the coal, iron and limestone waste jettisoned by all 125 other big ships that burn coal or store the ash for safe disposal elsewhere.

Decades into efforts to clean up the world's largest source of fresh surface water, the Badger's routine dumping is so unusual that, in 2008, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency gave its owners four years to figure out a solution at the bay, they had to jettison 30 percent of their coal burner or store the ash for safe disposal elsewhere.

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Tavi Gevinson wasted no time on the mound of chocolate cake with marshmallow and ice cream making its way from her fork to her mouth.

The 15-year-old had savored a grueling month, and not just because of the exhaustion of her dual role as a junior in her senior year of high school, with its demanding, class schedule, awkward housing, dance and other adolescence pressures.

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This publication — and its innovative popularity — marks a major turning point for the Oak Park teen who burst onto the international fashion scene in 2009 with a style blog penned from her suburban bedroom and a penchant for eccentric outfits that allowed her to stand out in the high school crowd.

When she stood appearing in the front row of Fashion Week and rubbing shoulders with Gwen Stefani and other stars, many

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The SS Badger

**Ferry allowed to dump tons of coal ash in lake**

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The SS Badger's vice president, John Henderson, said: ‘There are a lot of issues that deserve more attention than this.’ Ludington Mayor John Nickelson said: ‘The ship is the badger’s two massive steam engines were collection of coal ash...’

The EPA’s enforcement director, James Martell, said: ‘There are no off-the-shelf solutions, and the EPA, as is its practice, has no practical way to eliminate the discharge immediately.’

In other public statements, company officials have said that the discharge ‘is a harmless act.’

Coal ash pollution drew national attention in 2008 after a federal holdup at a rail yard near a Michigan town...’

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