

HAPPENINGS



ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK

Joe "Bean" Keller, Entertainment Editor

New Yam Festival

Join the Nigerian Student Union to celebrate their Annual Nigerian New Yam Festival this Friday, June 28, at Portland State University's Nordic Room (Smith Center basement). The festival will begin at 6:00 p.m., lasting until 10:00 p.m. and will feature an African dinner, folk songs, folk tales, fashion show, music and lots more. Admission is \$3.50 at the door. For more information, call 229-4440.



Lowery E. Gibson (above) enjoys the intense sunshine at church service Sunday.

by Lanita Duke

GRASSROOT NEWS, N.W. — To return a kindness is one of life's greatest moments and Lowery E. Gibson, president of Uncle Gipps Theatre Company, will experience many kind moments this summer as he launches a theatrical company that caters exclusively to handicapped and underprivileged children.

"It's my way of returning something back to those who helped me," said Gibson, who spent 16 years in and out of Shriners' Hospital because he was born with a club foot.

Compassion is the script for Uncle Gipps Theatre Company as characters come alive in the audience as well as on stage.

"Children will be given an opportunity to get to know each character by personally laughing and talking with them. Also, each child will be given an opportunity to develop a pen pal relationship with their favorite character," Gibson said.

Gibson will adapt six children's stories that he penned onto the stage:

"The Legend of Swamp Rock Soup" — a polecat discovers a mysterious soup recipe while floating through the Florida Everglades. Dedicated to the children of Ethiopia.

"Niki and The Abandoned Lighthouse" — A small girl wanders into an abandoned lighthouse to escape a thunderstorm and decides that the safest place for her to hide is within the comfort of her colorful imagination.

"The Caterpillar, The Cub, and The Witch" — A witch decides that the last chance for beauty is to rob the beauty of a butterfly, while she is still a caterpillar. But the friendly cub always manages to accidentally save the day.

"Flea Haven and The Pit" — What happens when a traveling dog groomer stops to nap at the entrance of a forbidden forest, where the only inhabitants are flea bitten dogs, and dog biting fleas? Give up? The answer is fun, laughter, and lots and lots of bubbles.

"There is a serious cross-section of children being culturally neglected because theatre is a luxury. And if you are handicapped, you are unable to get around," Gibson added.

During the fourth Saturday of the month at Shriners' Hospital, Uncle Gipps will perform. Also, at the Kiwanis Club Summer Camp, beginning June 16, his talent will grace the stage once a week for four weeks.

Gibson's motto: Perform from the heart, and your heart will be in your performance."



CleanCut (r - l) Ronee Walker, Joe (Bean) Keller, Mary Turner and Richard Greer.

Summer Funk '85

Summer Funk '85 held this past Saturday at the Starry Night displayed what one would call "good potential talent." The evening began with the incredible force "breakers, followed by the untouchable Rappers, after which the stage was lit up by Velvet, hitting the stage wearing their blue tailor-made outfits and sounding very professional. The Chaz presented disco between set changes, preparing for CleanCut, four dynamic singers who plan to make a name for themselves not only in the Portland market but to expand in other areas. Visions, the fantasy affair band, followed CleanCut only to delight the audience with their new sound of original and copy music. The female of the evening was Lady Love, a 15-year-old rapper and singer who has the showmanship of one who has been on stage all her life. Lady Love is a name to look for in the future in the Portland entertainment scene.

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