



# ENTERTAINMENT



## "POLLY-COMIN' HOME!" A SPECIAL MOVIE MUSICAL



Keshia Knight Pulliam, Phylicia Rashad and Dorian Harewood head the all-star cast of "Polly-Comin' Home", a two-hour movie musical airing on Sunday, November 18, 7:00-9:00 p.m. (ET/PT) on NBC.

"Polly-Comin' Home!" is a buoyantly charming sequel to last year's jubilant, Emmy-nominated musical "Polly," a musical recreation of the 1960 Walt Disney classic feature film "Pollyanna." Again directed and choreographed by Debbie Allen ("Fame"), "Polly-Comin' Home!!!" also stars Barbara Montgomery ("Married People"), Brandon Adams ("Moonwalker"), Vanessa Bell Calloway ("Coming to America"), T.K. Carter ("Punky Brewster"), Ken Page ("Cats"), George Anthony Bell ("Cats"), Larry Riley ("Knots Landing") and Vickilyn Reynolds ("Sugar & Spice").

Anthony Newley ("Stop the World, I Want to Get Off"), joins the cast in a rare television appearance and Oscar-winning actress Celeste Holm ("Three Men and a Cradle") reprises her role as Miss Snow.

"Polly-Comin' Home!" continues the story of a plucky young orphan who lives with her wealthy but domineering aunt in a small, rural Alabama town in

the mid-1950s. Determined more than ever to unite her Aunt Polly (Rashad) and Dr. Shannon (Harewood), Polly and her friend Jimmy Bean (Adams) are thwarted by the arrival of a narrow-minded British headmaster (Newley), hired by Aunt Polly to run the orphanage.

A rabble-rousing singer named Elvis Presley and a spirited preacher named Martin Luther King form the backdrop for a story that eventually finds its way all the way to Atlanta and back before Polly finally succeeds in creating a real family for herself in her new home.

Eight original songs and musical numbers, written for the show under the supervision of Broadway musical arranger Harold Wheeler ("The Wiz," "Dreamgirls"), highlight the story of Polly's determination to bring joy and enthusiasm to the lives of the people of Harrington.

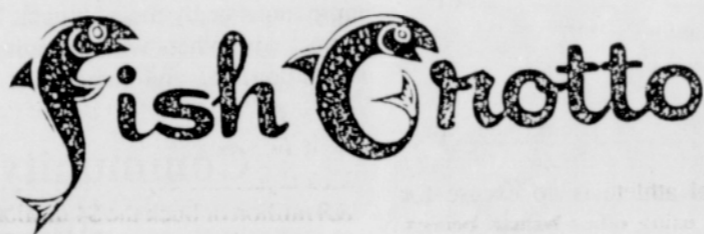
"Polly-Comin' Home!" was written by William Blinn, who wrote last season's "Polly" from a story by David Swift. Blinn is the executive producer and Frank Fischer is the producer.

"Polly-Comin' Home!" is an Echo Cove Production in association with Walt Disney Television.



**THE BILL OF RIGHTS!**  
Television actress and producer, Marla Gibbs, center, helps with the presentation of a framed copy of the Bill of Rights to Bernie Foster, right, publisher of "The Skanner" newspaper during the recent observance of the publication's 15th Anniversary. The framed document, as well as many additional copies, was presented by Francis M. Gomez, left, Director, of Public Affairs Programs, Philip Morris Companies Inc. Ms. Gibbs, the star and producer of the popular television program, "227," was the keynote speaker for "The Skanner's" anniversary and she urged African Americans to take the lead in rebuilding their own communities. Active in helping to rebuild Black areas of Los Angeles, Ms. Gibbs is the founder of the eight-year-old Crossroads Arts Academy that trains persons of all ages in preparing for careers in the performing arts and in other fields. Ms. Gibbs reminded the 600 dinner guests at the Portland Convention Center that "progress is always being made even in the middle of chaos!"

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## THE BLACK TEENAGE WORLD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Black Teenage World Scholarship Program, producers of the Miss and Mr. Black Teenage World Pageant has announced plans for its Annual Pageant Program during the month of July, 1991.

Ronald Charity, founder and producer, of the program, said, "we are expecting another group of outstanding teenagers from across the Country to participate in '91, as we look forward to our 20th Anniversary." Teenagers 14 to 17 years of age are eligible to compete for the titles, prizes, trophies and college scholarships. Charity, further stated, "Colleges and Universities from across the Country have participated in presenting scholarships through our program. They have seen the program as an excellent vehicle for recruiting outstanding African-American students who are not only smart but are also talented."

Participants compete in five areas of competition, Sportswear (no swimwear); Creative Expression; Talent; Evening Wear and Personal Projection. Participants also attend leadership development workshops, rap sessions, African-American History seminars and Personal Development Sessions.

Dudley Products Company of Greensboro, North Carolina is national sponsor of the program and 1991 marks the fourth year the cosmetic manufacturing company has participated. Joe Dudley, president of the firm said, "we are delighted to participate in a program that highlights the positive qualities of our teenagers." Persons interested in additional information should write, Ronald Charity, BTWSP-'91, P.O. Box 10559, Independence Station, Charlotte, N.C. 28212.

## Interstate Firehouse Culture Center



**WHAT:** Auditions for acting positions in two productions  
**WHERE:** IFCC 5340 N. Interstate Ave. Tri-Met Bus #5  
**WHEN:** Carry on Dear Blood: Sat. Nov.10, Tues. Nov.13 Most valuable player: Thurs. Nov.15, Sat, Nov.17  
**INFORMATION:** Call: Judy at 243-7930 for an appointment

## City Plans Pioneer Square's Christmas Festivities

No, we're not rushing the season...There're 8,000 lights to string. Not every town has a Christmas chicken, a firehouse dog, a Christmas squirrel and a cinnamon bear. Corbett does. At noon, on Monday, November 12, you can find out why. The animals will team up with Smokey Bear, a replica of Vista House, antique vehicles and residents of Corbett in a parade down S.W. Sixth Avenue from College Street to Pioneer Courthouse Square. They'll all accompany an 80 foot Douglas fir-a gift from the U.S. Forest Service and the city of Corbett-to its place of honor as the holiday centerpiece in Portland's living room.

This is the seventh year that the Association for Portland Progress, in order to promote the city-owned parking garages, is sponsoring the Christmas tree festivities. Bob Huntington, Chairman of the Board of APP, and Portland Commissioner Mike Lindberg will be on hand November 12 to accept the tree

from Doris Tai, of the Columbia Gorge Ranger District, and Bea Graff, member of a Corbett pioneer family. KINK 102's Les Sarnoff will make the introductions and the Corbett School Band and Chorus will provide the holiday entertainment.

Smokey Bear will be coming out of the forest to help hand out 1,500 Douglas Fir tree seedlings and instructions for their care. Come on down to the Square and pick up a future yuletide tree.

Immediately following the noontime ceremonies, the tree will be hoisted into place by a crane from Gray's International. Over the next ten days, using lifts donated by PGE and PP&L, the towering tree will be decked with garlands and 8,000 lights. Resplendent in its holiday finery, our tree will make its official debut at the Square's community Christmas Tree-Lighting Ceremony on November 23, from 7:00-8:15 p.m.

## THE PORTLAND MUSIC ASSOCIATION AND GI JOE'S TICKETMASTER PRESENT Musicians Ball 1990

Friday November 9 and Saturday November 10th

- 40 Bands
- 7 Clubs: ERICKSON'S SALOON-KEY LARGO-DAKOTA-SATYRICON CISCO'S AND PANCHOS-DAY FORNIGHT-UFO CAFE
- PORTLAND MUSIC ASSOCIATION AWARDS 7PM-9PM Saturday Nov 10th. (The awards will be called "The Crystal Awards")

All ages Fri Nov 9 at UFO Cafe-All ages Sat. Nov 10 at UFO Cafe and Erickson's Saloon.

All age Laminate is \$7.50 for weekend

- \$10.00 Cloth Pass-means ALL CLUB ACCESS FOR FRIDAY OR SATURDAY
- \$17.50 SOUVENIR LAMINATE-means all club access for Friday and Saturday + 50% discount on PMA membership

ROCKIN' AUCTION- at Erickson's Salon 7 NW 2ND Ave. Friday November 9,7-9pm. Admission is \$5.00 at door or Cloth Pass or Laminate. IMPORTANT IS THE CAUSE

All proceeds from MUSICIANS BALL 1990 go to ESTABLISH THE MUSIC INDUSTRY RELIEF FUND. A safety net by musicians for musicians. All proceeds from the ROCKIN; AUCTION go to keeping the Portland Music Association in existence. Our existence provides community services not found elsewhere.

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## ROCKIN' AUCTION

The Portland Music Association's First Annual ROCKIN' AUCTION will take place on Friday, November 9th at Erickson's Saloon at 7 N.s. 2ND AT 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will be used to expand the PMA's membership and community services.

Among the items to be auctioned off are: Greg Allmans jacket, Gift-Certificates, Records, Books, Tapes, CD's, Rock Memorabilia, Wine, Recording Studio Time, Hannah Car Washes, Auto Body Work, Pizza, Dinners, Hot Tubbing, a free night of music with the Mothertones, Flowers, Toys, Mailbu Grand Prix Laps, Mayor's Ball & Preview Party tickets and Dates with interesting people from the music community.

The PMA is still looking for items for their auction. All items are a tax-deductible donation and will be listed in an auction pamphlet with an acknowledgement of the contributors. Anybody donating items valued at over \$200.00 will receive special recognition and a free PMA Membership.

The Rockin' Auction is a prelude to the PMA's special music weekend at Erickson's Saloon which includes a Musicians Ball/Club-Walk, and the very first Portland Music awards.

For more information contact the Portland Music Association at 223-9681.

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