

# Kukatōnōn

As you may know, Woodlawn students have had the unique opportunity to participate after school in the Kukatōnōn African Dance program under the direction of Rolia Manyongai, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher and accomplished dancer from Liberia in West Africa, and Ruby Burns, a local African dance instructor. Over the years the troupe has gained much recognition. If you have seen this young troupe of seven to twelve year old students dance in the past, you know the upcoming evening of dance Friday, May 28, at the SEI Center, will be riveting, joyful, and truly inspiring.

We have 300 tickets to sell. All

proceeds will go to keep the troupe going in the 1999-2000 school year. Ticket sales and donations help cover costs of paying the drummers, importing the cloth, sewing the outfits, and transporting the dancers to performances, etc. Next year Ms. Manyongai plans to expand the troupe to include children from other schools. This performance provides a great chance for prospective dancers to see the troupe in action.

If you would like to attend, you may purchase advance tickets at Woodlawn or you may purchase tickets at the door at 3920 N Kerby, Friday, May 28 from 6:30 PM on. Call 503/916-6282.



The 1998 Kukatōnōn dancers with their instructors Rolia Manyongai and Ruby Burns. Last year's principal, Linda Harris is shown on the far right. The current principal is Dr. Marie Allen.

## Rose Festival Queen's Coronation

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Weeks of suspense come to an exciting conclusion when the 1999 Rose festival Queen is crowned on June 3.

The Rose Festival Queens Coronation Presented by K103fm begins with the introduction of the 14 Rose Festival Court Members, who were chosen this spring from Portland-area high schools. The

Night culminates in the selection of the new Rose Festival Queen, who will represent the state in appearances throughout the United States over the course of the next year.

This year's hosts are KOIN TV's Mike Donahue and Shirley Hancock, with Kelly Day. The event, lasting from 8 p., will be broadcast live on KOIN TV 6 and rebroadcast on KOIN Saturday, June 5, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Musical director Jon Newton composed the original song "Set Sail for Fun," which will be the coronation's opening number. Georgene Rice is the featured vocalist.

Peers representing their respective high schools will introduce the 1999 Rose Festival Court. Each court member will give a brief speech and be featured in a video. In deciding who will be the 1999 Rose Festival Queen, judges consider each court member's leadership, scholastic achievement, school activities, civic involvement, volunteer projects, communications skills and overall impressions. The 1999 Rose Festival Queen serves as an ambassador for the Rose Festival and the city of Portland.

The Rose Festival Court recognizes the achievement of 14 young women from the Portland-area high schools. One Court Member is cho-

sen to be the Rose Festival Queen; she will represent the state in appearances throughout the country. All Court Members act as ambassadors to the City of Portland, and through meeting with business leaders and appearances at hospitals and various civic groups, these ambassadors are given a memorable opportunity to grow as individuals and to serve our community. They learn how presentations, effective communications skills and personal sharing can enrich their own lives and ultimately make the community a better place to live.

Accomplishment is the common bond each of the 14 Court Members share. At the age of 17 or 18, each of the young women has demonstrated leadership, scholastic ability and civic and volunteer involvement—and each has her own personality. Each must have a grade point average of at least 2.75. Her fellow students make the election of each school's Court Member.

The Association makes sure that the experience of being selected as a Rose Festival Court member is memorable and rewarding. Along with scholarship and various other gifts, the court Members being a mentoring program in which successful businesswomen work with the young women to establish a relationship that will strengthen their roles in the community.

Randall Realty corporation is proud to sponsor the Rose Festival Court scholarship program. Each Court Member is given a \$3,000 college scholarship. The Rose Festival Association thanks Randall Realty for its generous support of the Court Scholarship program.

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