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AK-SAR-BEN WOMEN'S BALL COMMITTEE HOLDS PRESENTATION MEETING

(Omaha, NE) - "For One Night Only" has been selected as the theme for the 113th Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation Ball. Mary Johnson, Chairman of the Women's Ball Committee, announced the theme at the Coronation Presentation Meeting on Thursday, May 14th at the Ak-Sar-Ben office in the Blackstone Center.

Women's Ball Committee members were given their first look at the production and set design, gowns for the Princesses and Heartland Princesses, as well as the Royal Court Supper table design for the 2009 Coronation Ball. Also announced was the 2009 Court of Honor.

Coronation Ball Committee WBC Advisor, Ann Hergenrader, served as hostess with assistance from Ann Blunk, Production Chairman; Mimi Gleason, Princess Chairman, Shelley Homa, Heartland Princess Chairman; Lori Pirnie, Court of Honor Chairman; and Kelley Stuckey, Royal Court Supper Chairman.

The 2009 Court of Honor Recipients are: Alice Dittman, Business/Industry; Dr. Kim Hoogeveen, Professions; Phyllis and Del Toebben, Community Service; and Anne Thorne Weaver, Arts.

The following Royal Court Appointments were announced: Royal Court Couturier, She-La; Royal Court Designer, Jay Godfrey; Royal Court Florist, Florals Etcetera; Royal Court Coiffeur, Creative Hair Design; Royal Court Photographer, MDP Michael Dwyer Photography, Inc.; Royal Court Supper Caterer, Levy Catering; Royal Court Table Top Designer, United Rent-all; Royal Court Wine Supplier, Republic National Distributing Company, Paul Epstein; Page Costume Clothiers, Merrily Boler and Judy Glesne; Script Writer, M. Michele Phillips; Production Director, Stephanie Anderson; Set and Lighting Designer, Jim Othuse; Musical Director, Chuck Penington; Choreographer, Patrick Roddy; Sound Designer, Tom Ware; Lighting, Theatrical Media Services; Audio, Audio Visions Pro Sound; Video, Dog and Pony Productions, Inc.; Royal Court Artist, Amy Moglia of Bear Hug Designs; Royal Court Invitations, Sarah Carver of My Paper; Royal Court Formal Wear, Mr. Tuxedo; Entertainment, WISEGUYS.

MDP Michael Dwyer Photography, Inc. will be responsible for all Royal Court portraits at the event.

The 113th Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation Ball is scheduled for Saturday, October 10th and will be held at Qwest Center Omaha. The public is welcome and tickets are available by calling the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben office at 554-9600, ext. 106.