

**AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM BOARD
P. O. BOX 1040
TACOMA, WA 98401**

May 29, 1996

Ms. Joyce Taylor
KIRO TV
2807 - 3rd Avenue
Seattle, WA 98121

Dear Ms. Taylor:

The African American Museum Board located in Tacoma would like to invite you to be the **Mistress of Ceremonies** at the opening of the **African American Generals Exhibit** on Saturday, November 9, 1996, tentatively beginning at 5 p.m.

This exhibit was to have featured all the African American Generals who had served in Washington State, and General Waller (now deceased) had accepted our invitation to be the featured speaker. After a suitable time allowed for mourning, we plan to ask Mrs. Waller if she could come in her husband's place.

Seattle Schools Superintendent John Stanford will be one of the honored guests as he was one of the generals who previously served in Washington.

I don't know if you remember me or not, but I attended the Bon Marche Northwest Black Pioneers banquet in Tacoma in 1989. You were the MC. I am President of the Roslyn - Northwest Black Pioneers and was there with my sisters. I wore a pretty **pink pioneer costume**. I am the one who took a photo with you in your **Black "fishtail" dress**; the one who kept raving about you looking so beautiful in it, and my having worn a similar one in the 1960's. I also took a photo of you and your father. I have never forgotten you nor that dress! It still makes me smile whenever I think about it. Such a wonderful time.

Since I had met you, I was delegated the pleasure of requesting your company. I do hope you can make it as you will be a great asset to our program. More detailed information will be sent upon your acceptance.

Sincerely,

Ethel Craven-Sweet, Secretary

for Jackie O'Bannon, President
African American Museum Board