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A national stage, film and TV actor, Beasley has appeared in more than a dozen TV series and 26 movies. He's most proud of his role in "The Apostle" with his friend Robert Duvall. The Omaha native also is founder of a local theater company, the John Beasley Theater & Workshop. "Actor Treat Williams helped toast/roast (by videotape) his then "Everwood" co-star from the WB TV show. Roaster and golf pro Steve Hogan said he'd tried to teach Beasley to play golf: "He's a great actor. So I told him, 'act like you can play.'" Baseball Hall of Famer Bob Gibson said he wrestled with what to say about his friend Beasley. Gibson's wife told him, "Don't try to be clever. Don't try to be funny. Just be yourself." Emcee Dave Webber ended the roast with a tribute to Beasley: "He's true to his family. True to his friends. True to his craft. A perfect gentleman. A perfect celebrity. He's exactly as you see him." Some of the items in the "Face" drawing include: "Brewster's Place" where he co-starred with Oprah Winfrey; a hockey-playing duck from the "Might Ducks"; Halle Berry with Beasley in "Losing Isaiah"; Robert Duvall from "The Apostle"; "The General's Daughter" with John Travolta where Beasley portrayed a psychiatrist; the yellow school bus his character Irv Harper drove in the TV series "Everwood."