

ENTERTAINMENT SHORTS



The glory days: Lin Dunn coaching the Portland Power

Rose City racket

The ninth annual Rose City Open tennis tournament may be nearly a month away, but the registration deadline, Aug. 13, is just around the corner.

This year's tournament is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 3, until Monday, Sept. 6, and is sponsored by Team Portland Tennis Association, a branch of the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Association. A full weekend is planned that goes far beyond tennis. The fun starts Friday night with a Draw Party at the Chameleon Restaurant. There will also be a Sunday night barbecue and a Monday morning Strawberries and Cream Social for the Final Rounds at the Portland Tennis Center.

Men and women of all skill levels are invited to participate in the tournament. For more information, or an entry form, contact the tournament director at (503) 635-5710, or via e-mail at rcodirector@teamporland-tennis.org.

Sexy cinema soiree

Sensory Perceptions will present a benefit event for the third annual lesbian, gay, bi, trans film festival at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15, at the Egyptian Club, 3701 S.E. Division St. in Portland.

The event starts with some short lesbian-themed films that are scheduled as part of this year's film festival. There will also be music by DJ Kristy and some special themed go-go dancer performances.

From left: J.P. Pitoc, Christian Campbell and Tori Spelling in *Trick*



Admission is \$5-\$10, offered on a sliding scale. For more information call the Sensory Perceptions hot line at (503) 242-0818, or send e-mail to PDXGayFilm@aol.com.

Seattle snags Dunn

According to a July 22 WNBA press release, Lin Dunn, coach of the now defunct ABL Portland Power, has accepted a coaching position with the WNBA's new Seattle team.

Under Dunn's coaching, the Portland Power was the ABL Western Conference Championship.

During a recent online interview with Dunn on www.WNBA.com, the association's official Internet site, an audience member asked Dunn: "Why did you decide to go to the Seattle team as opposed to remaining in Portland with its WNBA team?"

Dunn's answer? "I did interview in Portland. Then I interviewed the next week in Seattle, and it just seemed that the Seattle timeline was different from the Portland timeline. They were still interviewing, and Seattle was ready to hire a coach. So I guess the biggest difference was the aggressiveness Seattle had. But I also liked the city, I liked the people. Probably the biggest thing was the aggressiveness. And...they took me to a Mariners game and I sat in the Mariners box and I loved every minute of it."

The search for a coach for Portland's tentative WNBA team continues.

Promo party

The three friends of the 3 Friends Coffeehouse are opening their shop to a promotional party for the new gay romantic comedy *Trick*. Attendees will have a chance to win *Trick* movie passes, CDs and T-shirts. The Lavender Lounge: MenTalk's Weekend Alternative is scheduled to take place at the coffeehouse at the same time, so the joint should be jumping.

Both events start at 7 p.m. at 3 Friends Coffeehouse, located at 201 S.E. 12th Ave. in Portland. Call (503) 236-6411 for more information.

Trick is scheduled to run at Cinema 21, 616 N.W. 21st Ave. in Portland, Aug. 6 to 12. An interview with Jim Fall, director of *Trick*, is on Page 41.

Sharkfest in Eugene

Neighbors bar in Eugene is gearing up for an on-site women's music festival called Sharkfest. The largely blues and R&B show will feature the Deb Cleveland Band and Sue Miles on Saturday, Aug. 13. Sharkfest begins at 4 p.m. with a barbecue that runs till 9 p.m. The live music runs from 6 to 10 p.m. in the beer garden.

Admission is \$5, or \$10 with dinner. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Audria M. Edwards Youth Scholarship Fund founded by Lady Elaine Peacock. Neighbors is located at 1417 Dillard in Eugene. For more information, call (541) 338-0334.

Salem pride

June is gone, so is July, but there are still more pride events to be had in Oregon.

Salem's Pride Day, presented by the Coalition to End Bigotry, is scheduled for Aug. 7. The festivities take place at Mill Race Park, at Trade and Liberty streets, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pride Day will feature food, vendors, information booths, entertainment, speakers and the presentation of the Humanitarian Award.

For more information, call (503) 585-9295.

Come back to the Embers Avenue...

A legend returns to Portland, and her name is Edie. While she now claims New York City as her home—*Time Out New York* calls her "dazzling"—the female impersonator will perform two shows at Embers Avenue, 110 N.W. Broadway, at 10:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, and Friday, Aug. 20.

Admission for the Thursday show is \$4; it's \$5 on Friday. Call (503) 222-3082 for more information.

Of straps and boot blacks

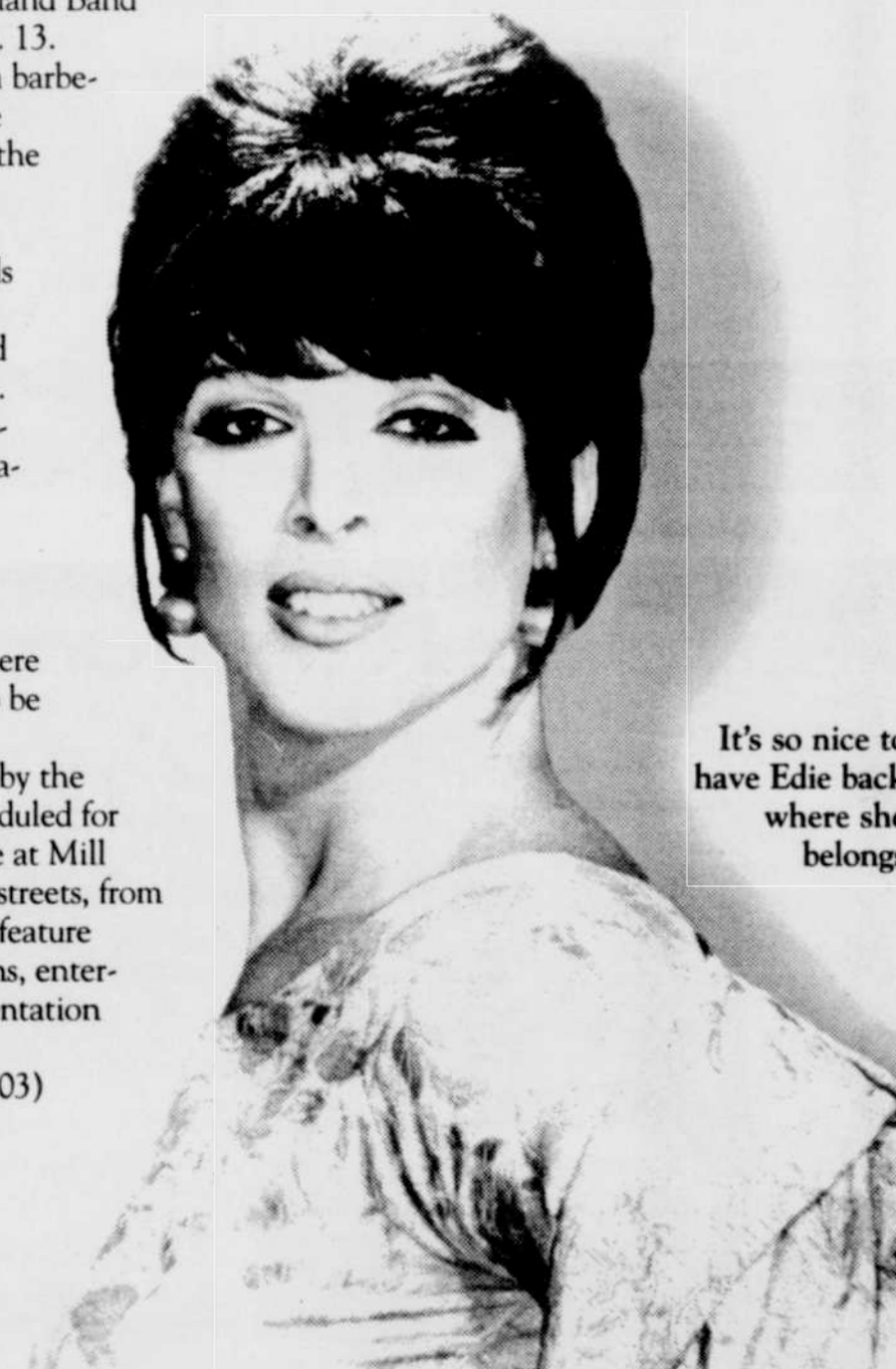
It's time to break out the chaps as Leather Pride Week returns to Portland, with workshops, parties, shows and more scheduled for Aug. 6 to 15.

The weekend kicks off Friday, Aug. 6, at 8 p.m. with the Leather Archives and Museum social at Eagle PDX, 1300 W. Burnside St. On Saturday, the Portland Leather Alliance hosts a

slave auction at C.C. Slaughter's, 219 N.W. Davis St., starting at 8 p.m. The auction will be followed by the ever popular Uniform Party hosted by Andy Mangels and *In Uniform, The Magazine* at Eagle PDX at 10 p.m. During the party, Mr. Oregon State Leather Don Hood will host an on-site Boots and Buzzcuts fundraiser to benefit Esther's Pantry.

Sunday, Aug. 7, will see leather tasting workshops beginning at 1 p.m. The first Mr. Eagle PDX contest will be held at 7 p.m. Both events will be held at Eagle PDX.

Blackout Leather Productions will host a leather family barbecue potluck at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 11. (E-mail BlackoutWA@aol.com for the location.) On Thursday, Aug. 12, the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court honors the leather community with the Black Leather and Black Lace show, hosted by Rose Empress XL Tonya and Imperial Prince XXI Steve Houston. The show will be held at Embers Avenue, 110 N.W. Broadway, starting at 8 p.m. The show will benefit Parents, Friends and Families of Lesbians and Gays.



It's so nice to have Edie back where she belongs

The Mr. and Ms. Oregon State Leather pre-contest meet and greet gets underway Friday, Aug. 13, at 7 p.m., followed by Erotica '99 presented by BLP, organized by International Ms. NLA 1992-93 KT Chase, hosted by comic Shann Carr and featuring the Humane Sculpture Troupe.

The week climaxes Saturday, Aug. 14, with the Mr. and Ms. Oregon State Leather contest at Embers. Doors open at 6 p.m., show starts promptly at 7.

Wind down Sunday, Aug. 15, with a victory brunch for the new titleholders at C.C. Slaughter's at 11 a.m. Also on Sunday, the Oregon Bears host a Leather Bears Beer Bust at the Dirty Duck, 439 N.W. Davis St.

For more information about any of these events, contact Blackout Leather Productions of Oregon at BlackoutWA@aol.com.

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