

NORTHWEST BRIEFS



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SPORTS BRIEFS

Rose City Rollers Earn Regional Tourney Invite. Portland Gay Volleyball Looks Forward to Fall Ball Tourney

The Women's Flat Track Derby Association recently announced that Portland's own Rose City Rollers all-star team, The Wheels of Justice, has earned a spot in the 2009 WFTDA Western Regional Tournament. The team will compete against nine other all-star teams representing other regional roller derby leagues for a chance to advance to the Fourth Annual WFTDA National Championships, being held November 13-15 in Philadelphia, Pa.

The Western Regional Tournament—which includes teams from California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana and Hawaii—is set for this weekend, October 2-4, in Denver, Colo. The Wheels of Justice are seeded third in the tourney and will play the winner of the

first game at 5 p.m. Friday, October 2. The team will play in at least three more games over the course of the three-day event.

If you're interested in cheering on the lovely ladies of the track, you can find ticketing information at www.derbyontherocks.com.

In other sports news, Portland Gay Volleyball is anticipating its Fall Ball tournament, set for October 10-11 at Tualatin Hills Recreation Center (15707 SW Walker Rd. in Beaverton). The two-day, indoor tournament will host over 30 teams from Vancouver, B.C., Washington, Oregon, California and Idaho.

Registration is closed, but you can still show up and support your favorite team.

Those who hope to participate in the 2010 North American Gay Volleyball Association Championships, hosted right here in Portland by PGV, must play in at least one NAGVA event to qualify for the nationals in May.

For a complete list of NAGVA tournaments, visit www.nagva.org/tourneys.cfm.

OTHER BRIEFS

Recall Sam Adams Campaign Entering Final Stretch

As the campaign to recall Mayor Sam Adams enters its final days, chief petitioner Jasun Wurster remains optimistic about hopes to collect enough signatures to put the recall on the ballot.

"We are seeing a massive increase in the number of petitions getting turned in," Wurster said via a press release dated September 28, adding, "I cannot underscore how much we need each person ... to donate a few hours this week making sure that we get the signatures we need." As of press time, over \$18,000 in cash and in-kind contributions had been received. Campaigning efforts have included

door-to-door visits, special events and distribution of door hangers; Wurster said office hours at campaign headquarters (421 N Broadway) had been extended to facilitate petition drop-offs from over 700 volunteers. The deadline for petitions to be turned in is noon Monday, October 5.

Starting with the campaign's official launch on July 7, organizers have had 90 days to collect 32,183 signatures from registered Portland voters; the recall effort was aiming for 50,000. Wurster reported that the campaign had given out over 11,000 printed petitions and that "spot checks of the petitions performed by the campaign have a validity rate of greater than 90 percent."

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