

Wilson softball team clinches PIL title

On May 16, the Wilson High School varsity softball team clinched the Portland Interscholastic League (PIL) 5A girls' softball league championship at Rieke Field in Hillsdale. The Wilson Trojans defeated the Franklin Quakers in seven innings by a final score of 7 to 4 to bring home the title.

"The girls brought their best today and stayed focused during the last three games of conference play," said Anna Cullop, Wilson Head Coach. "I am proud of all these young women." The Wilson team was in a three-way tie for first place. They defeated Cleveland on May 12th and Franklin on May 16th, thereby securing the first seed in the

State 5A playoffs.

On Sunday, May 22nd, the Wilson team will be recognized by the PIL Athletic Department and the PIL Hall of Fame at an awards presentation at the Tiger Woods Center on the Nike campus in Beaverton.

Front Row: Maddie Price, Molly Michelotti, Courtney Vanlaningham, Sophie Miller, Emily Reeves, Brooke Rencher. Back Row: Assistant Coach Stephanie Adams, Morgan Fritz, Madi Lostra, Jessica West, Ashley Reeves, Lauren Barmon, Eliza Gandee, Head Coach Anna Cullop

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Federal grant funds Hillsdale Terrace replacement

By Lee Perlman
The Southwest Portland Post

Last month the City received an \$18.5 million Hope VI Grant from the federal Bureau of Housing and Community Development, allowing for the replacement of Hillsdale Terrace.

The existing, 60-unit structure at 6775 SW 26th Ave. will be replaced by a 122-units, Shelly Marchesi of Home Forward (formerly the Housing Authority of Portland) told *The Post*.

This will include seven units that will be awarded to first-time homebuyers who perform "sweat equity" by helping to build the structures, in cooperation with Habitat for Humanity. Existing Terrace tenants will be given first choice at this program.

Home Forward itself will contribute \$9 million toward the \$47.3 million project. This is from the sale of single family homes in various parts of the city. Other funds include \$5 million from the City of Portland, \$12.2 million in state tax credits, \$1.5

million from Habitat, and \$1 million in grants.

Marchesi said the site of the existing building is eroding, and there is a constant problem with mold. "This is our most difficult site to maintain, and it's horribly inaccessible for anyone with physical constraints," Marchesi said.

The new building will be built on the old site plus three additional lots recently purchased by the agency. The part of the site nearest Southwest Capitol Highway will undergo design review, Home Forward Planning and

Design Director Julie Livingston said. The agency hopes to break ground in summer 2012, following relocation of existing tenants, she said.

Portland City Commissioner Nick Fish, who announced the grant at a news conference last month, said, "This is great news for the city. It will improve the lives of tenants, provide construction jobs, strengthen our connections to the surrounding community, and continue Portland's tradition of green building. Congratulations to our partner, Home Forward."

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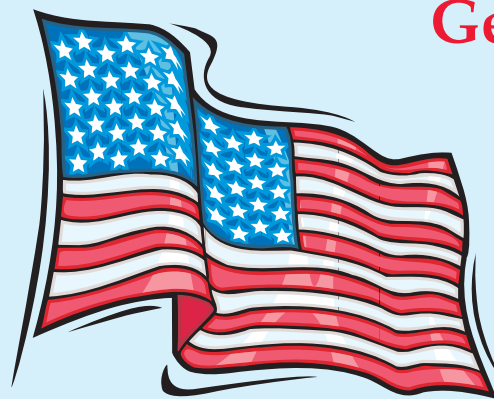
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