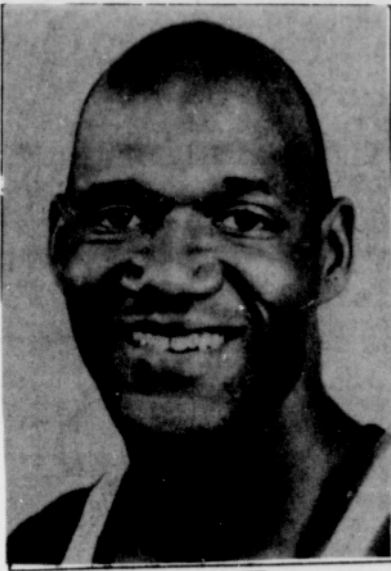


# S P O R T S

## Trail Blazers' Terry Porter Receives Honor For Community Work



Terry Porter of the Portland Blazers has been voted the recipient of the 1993 J. Walter Kennedy Award by the Professional Basketball Writers Association of America. The award has been presented annually since 1975 to an NBA player, coach or trainer for meritorious community service. "It's a thrill and an honor to receive the J. Walter Kennedy Award," said Porter. "It's a very humbling feeling to look at the list of past recipients and find my name added to the list, it's wonderful."

Porter, an NBA veteran of eight years, has helped raise over \$1 million dollars for Portland area charities during his career. His most extensive work has been with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland, where he and fellow teammate

Jerome Kersey, along with the Trail Blazers, underwrite the costs involved with the Trail Blazers Exchange Club.

The Trail Blazers Exchange Club is an incentive program designed to motivate youth to focus on their education, to enhance self-esteem and develop positive role models. Kids with positive marks in school, club participation and community involvement have a chance at the opportunity of winning an all expenses paid trip to Phoenix to watch the Blazers take on the Suns and tour the city and surrounding area. He also takes time to meet with The Exchange Club participants for lunch and provides a tour of the team's lockerroom.

Porter, along with Kersey and the Trail Blazers, provides more than 1,000 tickets for sold-out home games to disadvantaged youth; serves as local spokesperson for Celebration Prom/Graduation which promotes drug and alcohol free prom and graduation parties; frequently visits area hospitals and nursing homes in an effort to spread cheer; and took part in numerous summer golf outings for various charities.

Most recently, Porter sang back-up vocals on the Blazers' latest cassette project, "Blazertown." Proceeds from the sale of the cassette benefit the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland. Porter also provided back-up vocals on last year's highly successful "Bust-

a-Bucket" cassette project raising in excess of \$85,000 for the Boys and Girls Clubs.

"I think as a professional athlete I owe something back to the community for all the support they have given me over the years," said Porter. "Making a difference in a young person's life is really important to me. I know when I was a kid growing up in Wisconsin I looked up to a lot of people. It's a heavy responsibility being a role model, but I think it's important to send kids the right kind of messages."

Porter will receive the J. Walter Kennedy Award during a special presentation at an upcoming Trail Blazers playoff game to be announced.

## Budweiser And Blazers Honor Community Volunteers

For the second consecutive year, Budweiser and the Portland Trail Blazers are honoring the efforts of outstanding community activists, concerned citizens and volunteers through the Budweiser Blazers Community Superstars team.

Merle Billespie, Clatskanie; Linda Simmons, Roseburg; Jaime Francisco, Portland; Robert Landauer, Yamhill; Dennis Maloney, Bend; Linda Brewing, Estacada, A.C. "Bud" Pasomre, Vancouver, Wash.; Paul Sather, Kent; Rev. Grace Drake, Heppner and Lee Kasberg, Wasco comprise the 1992-93 Budweiser Blazers Community Superstars team.

From December 14, 1992 through February 26, 1993 nominations were accepted at 36 designated Chambers of Commerce in Oregon and southwest Washington. The Chambers then selected 10 nominees that were forwarded to the Trail Blazers office. A panel of judges reviewed the regional nominations and selected the 10 representatives to form the 1992-93 Budweiser Blazers Community Superstars team.

The winners were recently recognized at a Trail Blazers home game at Memorial Coliseum during a special center court presentation. Each "Superstar" received a recognition plaque and a \$500 check that will be donated to the charity of their choice.

## Tee Off With City Seniors Golf Club

Brand new to the Portland golf scene this spring is the City Senior Golf Club sponsored by Portland Parks and Recreation's Senior Leisure Services. Men and women, over age 50, are welcome to join whether they are beginners or established golfers. The golf club hosts regular weekly play at municipal courses and includes two divisions.

The first Division will play 9-holes of golf on a weekly schedule at popular courses in the Metro area, April 5 through October 31. This division is recommended for new golfers.

The second division will play 18-holes of golf on a weekly schedule, Rose City Golf Course being their "home base", April 7 through October 31. Winter play is optional. The club joining fee is \$10 per person.

Benefits to joining the City Seniors Golf Club include organized tournaments, lessons, clinics, special events, a chance to meet new friends, and an opportunity to obtain your Ghin Card (handicap).

For more information, or to become a member, call Senior Leisure Services at 823-4328 V/T.

## This Summer Do Something Fun!

Robin Lane has been teaching her unique style of acrobatics and trapeze since the early 70's. The focus is to encourage physical confidence, freedom of expression and grace in a creative and safe atmosphere. Children not only learn to defy gravity and limitation, they also learn to work together to explore their own imaginations and experience the craft of physical performing. Classes will feature live music, acrobatics, trapeze, stilt walking, unicycling, clowning and improvisational fun! Children will create original pieces using circus, dance and theatre skills. Summer Camp for Kids in Circus Skills (Ages 4 and up) will take place at the Echo call 231-1232.

## 47 Portland Saints 3rd At AAU Nationals

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

The Portland Saints Women's AAU basketball team made its first appearance at the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, 66th annual Women's National AAU Basketball Championships in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a successful one.

The Saints took third place in the sixteen-team tournament, and now has an automatic bid to next year's championship in Indianapolis, Indiana.

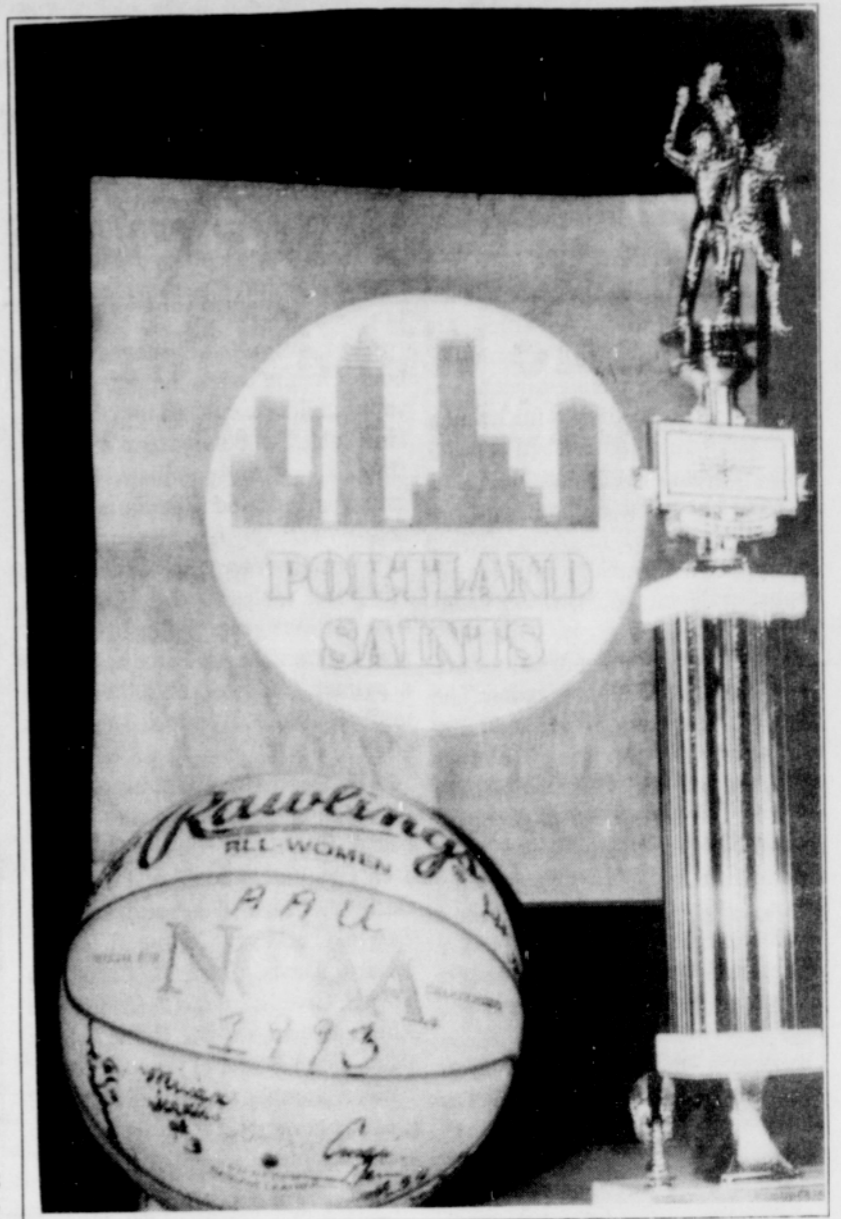
Portland opened the tournament against the Baltimore Lazars, out of Baltimore, Maryland. The game was close from start to finish with the Lazars winning 70-68 at the buzzer. Former Portland State star Renae "Chuck" Aschoff led the Saints with 23 points and 6 rebounds. Center Alisa Robinson also had a good game with 12 points and game high 14 rebounds. Guard Diana DeYoung added 15 points, with 3,3 point shots and Krista Smith helped out with 12 points.

That night the opening ceremonies took place at the new Wisconsin Lutheran College gym, with all teams being introduced to the nice crowd on hand. It was a good experience and a proud moment representing the Portland Saints and the state of Oregon. I was very happy to be a part of history. That's because, the Saints are the first Oregon team to play at the AAU National Tournament for women.

The next game up for the Saints was with the Armed Forces on Friday at 12 noon. Behind Alisa Robinson's 21 points and 10 rebounds, the Saints rolled to a 79-64 win over the USA team. Point guard Miriam Jenkins chipped in with 14 points, while Laurie Northrop had 12 points.

The Baltimore Blazers, the second team from Maryland, was next up for Portland. Again Alisa Robinson led the Saints with 24 points and 10 rebounds, and got help from Krista Smith who had 18 points, and Renae Aschoff scored 15 points in a hard fought 85-79 win. Diana DeYoung added 11 points and 7 assists for the Saints. This game was played at 4pm on Friday April 15.

On Saturday at 10am, the Saints were on the court again, this time against past national champions, Ted's Elites from Washington, D.C. The



Saints played their best game of the tournament with a 98-85 win. Sandra Howell scored 25 points and had 10 rebounds. Point guard Carol Drouet-Rawlings had 20 points and 5 assists. Smith and Aschoff both scored 16 points, while Robinson came up with 14 points and 12 rebounds.

Saturday at 4pm the Saints took on showtime from Detroit, Michigan. Portland, just got by in this one 61-55. It was a total team win, as Northrop had her best game of the tournament, with 17 points and 8 rebounds. Aschoff added 11 points and 9 rebounds.

By this time the Saints had come back from the first round loss, to the semi-final game and a re-match with the Baltimore Lazars. The Lazars again pulled out a 68-67 win, and the Saints

had to settle for third place. Robinson's last game was a big one with 27 points and 17 rebounds. Sandra Howell added 10 points.

All and all, it was an outstanding job by the Portland Saints. Some 286 teams start regional play in March to get down to the 16 teams at the National Tournament. The Saints were given an at-large berth.

The Portland Saints finished the 1992-93 season with a 26-9 record, and in its four-year history has a record of 97-31.

Other members of the Saints that played in the tournament are Tracy Nelson, Velaida Shephard, Angie Harris, and Kendra Starks. The Saints are coached by Jeff Gamble and John Phillips.

## LET'S PLAY BALL!



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## NFL First Round Draft

PICK TEAM	PLAYER	POS.	SCHOOL
1. PATRIOTS	DREW BLEDSOE	QB	WASHINGTON ST.
2. SEAHAWKS	RICK MIRER	QB	NOTRE DAME
3. CARDINALS	GARRISON HEARST	RB	GEORGIA
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM THE JETS)			
4. JETS	MARVIN JONES	LB	FLORIDA ST.
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM PHOENIX)			
5. BENGALS	JOHN COPELAND	DL	ALABAMA
6. BUCCANEERS	ERIC CURRY	DE	ALABAMA
7. BEARS	CURTIS CONWAY	WR	USC
8. SAINTS	WILLIE ROAF	OT	LOUISIANA TECH
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM DETROIT)			
9. FALCONS	LINCOLN KENNEDY	OT	WASHINGTON
10. RAMS	JEROME BETTIS	RB	NOTRE DAME
11. BRONCOS	DAN WILLIAMS	DL	TOLEDO
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM CLEVELAND)			
12. RAIDERS	PATRICK BATES	DB	TEXAS A&M
13. OILERS	BRAD HOPKINS	OG	ILLINOIS
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM PHILADELPHIA)			
14. BROWNS	STEVE EVERITT	C	MICHIGAN
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM DENVER)			
15. PACKERS	WAYNE SIMMONS	LB	CLEMSON
16. COLTS	SEAN DAWKINS	WR	CALIFORNIA
17. REDSKINS	TOM CARTER	DB	NOTRE DAME
18. CARDINALS	ERNEST DYE	OT	SOUTH CAROLINA
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM KANSAS CITY THRU SAN FRANCISCO)			
19. EAGLES **	LESTER HOLMES	OG	JACKSON STATE
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM HOUSTON)			
20. SAINTS ++	IRV SMITH	TE	NOTRE DAME
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM PHOENIX)			
21. VIKINGS	ROBERT SMITH	RB	OHIO STATE
22. CHARGERS	DARRIN GORDON	DB	STANFORD
23. STEELERS	DEON FIGURES	DB	COLORADO
24. EAGLES	LEONARD RENFRO	DT	COLORADO
25. DOLPHINS	O.J. MCDUFFIE	WR	PENN STATE
26. 49ERS	DANA STUBBLEFIELD	DT	KANSAS
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM NEW ORLEANS)			
27. 49ERS	TODD KELLY	DE	TENNESSEE
28. BILLS	THOMAS SMITH	DB	NORTH CAROLINA
29. PACKERS	GEORGE TEAGUE	DB	ALABAMA
(CHOICE ACQUIRED FROM DALLAS)			

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++ CHOICE AWARDED AS COMPENSATION FOR SAN FRANCISCO'S SIGNING OF DEFENSIVE BACK TIM MCDONALD. ORIGINALLY THE 18TH PICK, BUT CARDINALS SWAPPED POSITIONS WITH THE 49ERS, WHO IN TURN SENT IT TO THE SAINTS.

## Hay Guys! Mothers Day is May 9

## Arena Project Update

Marshall Glickman, Oregon Arena Corporation (OAC) senior vice-president, and Larry Dully, director of development for the Portland Development Commission, lead negotiations for OAC and the City of Portland, respectively, met with members of the media today to review the status of the Oregon Arena Project. According to Glickman, the public can still expect the new arena to be opened in time for the Blazers 1995-6 season despite the fact that City Council was asked to extend the closing date for execution of all documents, including OAC's private financing.

"The complexities of this project have been more than any of us anticipated even though things are running very smoothly. Generally, we have all been in agreement on the key elements of our partnership. Formalizing the paperwork is just very time consuming," said Glickman. "We feel very good about where we are in terms of determining our sources of financing. Our designs have been approved by the Design Commission and construction pricing is in order. We anticipate breaking ground sometime in June which will allow us to open the new arena in fall 1995."

On April 15th, Portland City Council extended the expiration of its Development Agreement with OAC to April 23rd to allow for completion of certain key documents and exhibits. City Council is scheduled to take action on these agreements at 1pm on Friday, April 23rd.

Updating agreements to reflect the current schedule and completing previously contemplated agreements necessitated an amendment to the Development Agreement and related

exhibits, according to Glickman. City Council is being asked to approve extension of the "outside" closing date to June 24, 1993 even though OAC expects closing earlier in June. This amendment also includes:

- Exhibit providing a Completion Guaranty by Paul Allen related to construction. This guaranty was previously agreed to, the document is now complete.
- Assurance that the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the construction of public improvements will not be subject to price increases between now and June 24th.

### Plaza Lease

The Plaza lease agreement calls for OAC to operate and maintain the Plaza between the Coliseum and new Arena, which is two and one-half times the size of Pioneer Square, as long as the Arena lease is in effect. OAC will be responsible for making sure that public objectives for operation of the Plaza are met and pay the City 10% of defined revenues generated by Plaza events, concession sales and advertising. Other key points of this agreement include:

- OAC will have exclusive advertising rights on the Plaza and will consult with the City on a non-regulatory basis for placement and design of advertising.
- OAC will make the plaza available to the City for 22 community event days per year at its actual costs. Eleven of these days will be made available between May and September.

Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions

The negotiating team has finalized the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC & R's), which are

on-going provisions that govern all existing and future owners and leases of the Coliseum-Arena Complex. Provisions include: uses and operation of the public parking garages, shared use of internal roadways, loading docks, and operations office.

### Miscellaneous

An assortment of miscellaneous clean-up issues are also covered in the documents going before City Council. For example, several issues have been covered in amendments, addendums and exhibits to the Memorial Coliseum Operating Agreement to address the unlikely scenario that OAC does not complete its financing by June 24. "At this point, we are on track and view the chances of this happening as extremely remote," said Glickman. However, it is necessary to cover all possibilities.

Maintenance, repairs and easements related to public and private utilities, insurance provisions and miscellaneous other provisions are also included. Additional terms, conditions and responsibilities related to the Coliseum, consistent with the Operating Agreement, including finalization of a previously agreed to exhibit, have been completed providing for a Payment and Performance Guarantee of \$2 million by Paul Allen.

### To Come

Documents covering the transportation management plan, portions of the Tri-Met light rail reconstruction, parking management of the public garages and a POVA/OAC joint marketing agreement will most likely be presented to the City Council in May. Glickman also indicated that OAC hopes to be able to make several key announcements on arena related matters in the near future.