

# SPORTS

## PREP BASKETBALL STARTS FOR P.I.L. BOYS AND GIRLS

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

Football and Volleyball are over for the Portland Interscholastic League for this season and that means the start of Pre-Season Basketball.

Benson's Boys And Girls Teams got off to fast starts in non-league games. The Boys Ran Pass last year state tournaments runner-up, 68 to 50 on Tech's home court.

Jason Franklin led Benson with 15 points and Earl Clark added 13. While Ed Stone scored 12 for the Techman.

The next game was not as good to Benson on the road at West Linn. Tech lost 62 to 53. Franklin was the only offense for Benson on this night with 11 Points.

Benson's Girls are flying high after two big wins, one at home and one on the road.

Hillsboro was no match for Tech, and lost at Benson, 95 to 27. It was a total team effort, as Monica Watts led with 23 points. Kim Green put in 18, and Mfon Udoka added 17. But that wasn't all, Reshawn Lewis had 13 and Nicole Bradford, 12.

On the road at West Linn, Benson scored even more, this time, 102 to 50 over the Lions.

Benson Girls were P.I.L. Champions last year, used at full court press and got easy fast break baskets all

night long. Udoka scored 29 big points and Watts made 19, as Lewis added 14 more. Sara Green also scored 14 points for Benson.

Wilson's Boys opened its season on the road at Lakeride. And what a game it was, 73 to 72 Trojans. Tyrone Manlove had a master game with 35 points.

Davis Jackson helped out with 16 points. The Trojans then played host to Franklin of Seattle, Washington and scored a easy 70-56 win. Again the two big guns for Wilson was Jackson with 18 and Manlove with 15 Points.

Wilson's Girls won one and lost one in the first two games. They lost at Glencoe 63 to 34. Carla Parker led Wilson with 10. The Trojans win came over Franklin of Seattle, 64 to 35. Cory Nakata and Parker Both scored 10 Points each.

Jefferson's Boys also opened on the road at Lake Oswego in a low scoring game. The Democrats came away with a 42-38 win over the Lakers. Ime Udoka led Jefferson with 14 points. Udoka again was the big man for the Demos with 23 points in a 79-66 win over Tualatin.

Jefferson Girls lost their opener on the road at Centennial, 49-46. In was the first game back for star player Erica Mashia, after tearing ligaments

and cartilage in her left knee. She had a good game with 21 points. Mashia scored almost 17 points a game last year before she went down with the injury.

In other P.I.L. action for the Boys it was Franklin over Sandy, 58-48. Grant loses to Central Catholic 73-55. Madison easy over Parkrose 75-56. Putnam just got by Cleveland, 64-61.

Roosevelt came up short, 65-61 in overtime to Milwaukie. In Girls games, it was Reynolds over Madison, 33-31. Sandy big over Franklin, 63-34. Cleveland easy over Putnam, 52-28. Jesuit all over Marshall 84-33. Roosevelt 47, Milwaukie 30, and Aloha 84, Grant 28. All these games were played Tuesday November 30, 1993.

Other Pre-Season games played on Friday December 3, 1993. Boys, Glencoe over Marshall 71-51. Gresham in overtime 57-55 over Franklin. Roosevelt over Sandy, 66-55. Grant gets by Tigard, 61-49. Sunset by Cleveland 66-53.

In girls play in was Cleveland over Milwaukie, 53-31. Clackamas Big over Marshall 53-19. Tualatin ran pass Franklin, 55-28. Sandy had their way with Grant, 74-43. And Jefferson got 31 big points from all-around guard, Erica Mashia, in a 74-60 win over Putnam.



### The Coalition of Black Men

#### A Gathering Of Black Males:

For Men and Youth Of African American Descent

Topic: "Developing Positive Aspects, Socialization & Growth in Young Black Men"

Date: Friday, December 10, 1993  
Location: Mallory Avenue Christian Church, 126 NE Alberta, Portland, OR 97227

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm.  
Cost: Free Healthy buffet food will be available.

This is another in a continuing series of events about Black males for

Black Males.

Featuring Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu. Dr. Kunjufu is a renowned educator. Best known as the author of numerous books about the state of young Black children in America. His titles include Countering the Conspiracy to Destroy Black Boys, Vols. 1, 2 & 3, Critical Issues in Educating African American Youth, Developing Positive Self Images and Discipline in Black Children, Motivating

and preparing Black Youth for Success and others.

In this inactive session, Dr. Kunjufu will explore the dynamics of American culture which have created a climate of failure and dissatisfaction among our young Black men. He will also share his insights on how to counteract these dynamics.

Contact Bruce Watts 286-2188 or Maceo Pettis 280-6693 for more information.

### NAACP Increases Membership By 20 Percent, With More Youth Joining

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People announced today that its membership has increased about 20 percent since NAACP Executive Director, Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr. took his post this past April.

The membership of the NAACP has grown from 500,000 to 615,000, with half of the new membership being 25 years of age or younger, said NAACP officials.

The NAACP has more than 2,000 units nationwide, including approximately 600 youth and college chapters.

"Our children are coming back home," NAACP Deputy Executive Director, Lewis Myers told a crowd recently at a Baltimore City NAACP Branch annual breakfast. His remarks

were quoted in The Baltimore Sun.

Increasing youth membership has been one of the goals of Dr. Chavis, who at 45 is the NAACP's youngest Executive Director in the organization's 84-year history. Chavis, who joined the NAACP at the age of 12, has made youth a priority in his administration. He has talked openly, for example, of his connections with controversial political hip-hop artists, Sister Souljah and Public Enemy -- not the typical contacts of an NAACP leader.

Chavis told The Sun that the "overall growth is in direct response to an aggressive recruitment campaign." He had announced that the revitalization of the NAACP's 1.5 million inactive members is the next step to increasing NAACP member-

ship. In addition, Chavis told The Sun that two of his goals - the creation of "Motown Sound" - type song, "come Back Home to the NAACP," and the beginning of computer network linking the organization's 2,108 units - are being met.

Chavis said today he was glad the media was taking notice of the growth of the NAACP. "The NAACP is on the move, and people are finally beginning to realize it" he said.

"We are younger, larger and stronger. We are multi-racial and progressive. We are becoming international. And we will take on the position of leadership in the civil and human rights arena in the 21st century," said Dr. Chavis.

## NATIONAL RAINBOW COALITION

### Violence In America: "More American Than Apple Pie"

WDC-Dr. David Satcher, Director, Center for Disease Control and Prevention: "Violence is the leading cause of lost life in America." For African Americans, the various affects of institutional and interpersonal violence poses the most serious threat to survival since slavery. If all Americans were killed by guns at the same rate as young Black males, 260,000 people would be murdered each year.

Since 1900 an estimated 850,000 civilians have been killed by bullets. Between 1938-88, more Americans died from gunshot wounds (1,209,199) than from all our country's wars (1,177,956). Corporate violence from cigarettes, alcohol and drugs kills more than 500,000 people annually. There are 20 million jail admissions and releases annually. One-third of all pregnant women are battered, and 2.5 million children are abused annually. A woman is nine times more at risk in her home than on the streets. There are upwards of 100 million private firearms, with 2.5 million new hand guns produced each year. If the present pattern of incarceration continues, by the year 2000 40% of all African-American men ages 18-25 will be in prison or jail.

Work related deaths from corporate violence are six times greater than homicides. Every year occupational diseases cause 350,000 new illnesses and up to 200,000 worker die from such diseases annually.

The U.S. has been the only country to use an atomic bomb, not once but twice, against the civilian populations of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Since W.W. II, the U.S. has been involved in 25 overt or covert military interventions. The Census Bureau estimates that over 158,000 men, women and children died in Iraq from the Gulf War. The U.S. accounts for 57% of all arms sales in the world. Violence infects our most basic institutions and relationships. Corporate crime and violence from the suites kills hundreds of times as many Americans as gunfire in the streets, yet there are more animal shelters in the U.S. than shelter for battered women, more legal gun dealers than gas stations. The current orgy for more cops, jails and punishment from the White House, the Congress and Mayors; waging a war against violence at home with the same means as the Gulf War; holding 13-year-old children legally responsible as adults, will have the same counterproductive results as the

war on drugs--further undermine our national ability to address the social and economic cause of violence, and further escalate racial and economic inequalities.

Moreover as violence escalated abroad because of the growing international chaos of unequal wealth, scarcity and environmental destruction, the new world disorder will intensify the conditions of poverty, racial disparity and government inaction at home. Even though we worked hard for the Brady Bill, the reign of violence will not go away with its passage nor by putting more cops on the streets, building more jails or enhanced death penalties. This condition is not just a criminal justice and a public health issue. Only a coordinated, multifaceted comprehensive strategy that serves all individuals, families, communities, cities, counties, states and the nation can turn the tide of violence. Only when we dramatically reduce the poverty and the racial disparity in America can we hope to secure safe neighborhoods. Violence can be reduced and prevented if this nation dedicates itself to producing productive people, functional families and active citizens.

### Scientology Federal Appeals Court Win: A Precedent-Setting

First amendment attorney Lee Boothby called the federal appeals court decision in a Scientology case "the best that's ever come down in this area of religious freedom."

The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta ruled Thursday that a Clearwater, Florida, charitable solicitation ordinance, which required disclosure of the use of church donations, was unconstitutional as an excessive entanglement of government in religion. The three-judge panel said the City of Clearwater must prove the ordinance was written without the political intent of damaging the

Church of Scientology, which has challenged the ordinance since it was enacted in 1984.

"This was never really a case about disclosure laws," said Boothby, who is general counsel for the Council on Religious Freedom, a Washington, D.C.-based coalition dedicated to protecting religions from excessive government intrusion. "The ordinance was really a tool to investigate churches about matters government has no business getting into."

Boothby called the decision "very comprehensive, very detailed and well-analyzed...an important precedent

that will be followed in other cases."

The appeals court also ruled that the Church of Scientology is entitled to attorney's fees and court costs for its successful challenge of an earlier version of the ordinance.

"This is a tremendous victory for the Church of Scientology and all churches and religions," said Richard Haworth, spokesman for the Church of Scientology in Clearwater. "The Court has reminded the City that it has no business meddling in the financial affairs of our church or any church. There is to be no specter of Big Brother looking over the shoulder of churches."

Haworth called for the City to join with the Church in looking to the future by putting aside the 9-year-old ordinance and pouring City resources used to defend it into community development projects.

A companion case challenging the ordinance, filed by a coalition of national religious groups including Americans United for Separation of Church and State, the American Jewish Congress, the National Council of Churches of Christ and local churches remains pending before a federal district court judge.

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