

# SPORTS

## BLAZERS ANNOUNCE 25TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON PLANS

The Portland Trail Blazers are marking their 25th year as a member of the National Basketball Association. In honor of the milestone the team has a number of festivities planned over the course of the silver anniversary season.

"Over the years there have been so many wonderful memories highlighted by the championship in 1977 and two other championship runs in 1990 and 1992, but also the 12 straight playoff appearances, the sell-out string at Memorial Coliseum, all the great players and coaches and, of



The Blazers 25th Anniversary logo features the traditional Blazers logo, a basketball, a shield, and a ribbon.

course, getting to know the greatest fans in the world through the thousands of conversations, cards and letters," said Harry Glickman, president emeritus of the Blazers. "Not only is this our 25th Anniversary season, but also our last year in the coliseum, so the 1994-95 season will be a time to look back, but also a time to look forward, it promises to be very exciting."

Fans will have the opportunity to select the 10 greatest Blazer players and coach of all time. Ballots will be available Oct. 31 at all Bank of America locations through Dec. 5. Former players and members of the media will cast ballots in a separate vote that will carry equal weight with the public's.

The all-time team will be unveiled at the Blazers vs. Houston game on Feb. 6 the coliseum, the same date Portland was officially

granted an NBA franchise in 1970.

Fans will have the opportunity to share in some of the nostalgia on Nov. 17 as Portland will play its first ever "Turn Back The Clock" game as the Blazers take on the Cleveland Cavaliers at Memorial Coliseum. The game will be a rematch of the Blazers very first game on Oct. 16, 1970 when Portland edged the Cav's 115 to 112. Both teams will wear 1970 replica uniforms which will be donated to area non-profit organizations to be used as fund-

raising tools in auctions or raffles. "We wanted to find a way to give something back to the community for their 25 years of support," said Glickman. "It's our hope that these uniforms will be able to help generate thousands of dollars for charity."

Interested non-profit organizations need to submit a written proposal to: Charity Review Coordinator, Portland Trail Blazers, 700 N.E. Multnomah, Portland, OR 97232. Proposals must be submitted no later than Nov. 1, 1994. The uniforms will be presented to the designed non-profit recipients during the Blazers game on Sunday, Nov. 20 vs. the Detroit Pistons.

Award winning reporter and columnist Steve Cameron is writing a special 25th Anniversary book - Rip City! A Quarter Century with the Portland Trail Blazers. The 240-



Berlyn Hodges (from left) Harry Glickman, and Bill Schonely, original staff members of the Portland Trail Blazers unveil a new logo and plans to mark the Blazers' 25th year in the National Basketball Association.

page book chronicles the Blazers 25-year history through photos and interviews with the players, coaches, front office staff and fans.

The book is available in three different editions. The collector's edition, features a genuine leather cover, emblazoned with silver stamped, and sculptured Blazers 25th

Anniversary logo.

Plans call for the book to be available in November.

Additionally, Rip City Magazine will feature a 25th anniversary "Reflections" column in every issue during the 1994-95 season.

Over the course of the season fans will get plenty of glimpses of

the past though Blazer Broadcasting. Flashback vignettes are planned during the broadcasts and on Bank-AmeriVision screen at the coliseum.

Finally, the Blazers and Bank of America are in the planning stages of a major exhibit at the Oregon Historical Society.

"We are working closely with

the Oregon Historical Society on what would be a major exhibit of the Trail Blazers 25-year history," said Glickman. "We have some great concepts in mind and we're feeling very positive about the exhibit being on-line sometime in the spring. It would be a fantastic culmination to the 25th anniversary season."

## WOODS WINDS UP IN GOLF RECORD BOOKS



Tiger Woods concentrates on the shot during a previous golf tournament in Portland. Woods has made golf history, winning the U.S. Amateur Golf Championship.

Tiger Woods, will forever be remembered as the first black man and the youngest golfer to ever win the world's most prestigious amateur golf tournament.

Playing with the concentration of a golf veteran, Woods, 18, came from 6 strokes down to beat Trip Kuehne, 22, two up in the U.S. Amateur Golf Championship.

His charge from 6 holes down to a 2-up victory, according to the U.S. golf association, is the greatest comeback

in the tournament history.

News wire reports, said it was also the most dramatic.

It reported that, Woods played the last 12 holes of the 36-hole match in 4 under par, making pars from the trees with the tenacity of a young Steve Ballesteros.

"I have never been 6 down and won," Woods who is from Cypress, Calif. told news reporters. "It's an amazing feeling to come back from 6 down against a great player. It's indescribable. I have been that far and lost. Coming back from that far back, hanging in there, is the best

thing about winning."

Woods whose first name is Eldrick and who will be freshman this fall at Stanford University has won several golf tournaments.

At age 15, he won the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship, and has been the only player to win three amateur titles. He also is the only player to have won both amateur titles.

This victory gave Woods entree into the U.S. and British opens and the Masters tournament.

## GOLF TOURNEY HELPS MCDONALD CHARITIES

More than 140 McDonald's owner/operators raised more than \$14,000 for Ronald McDonald Children's Charities in Oregon and Southwest Washington, in the Third Annual McDonald's Miles of Smiles Golf Tournament at Portland's Colwood Golf Course.

Fund raising events included silent auctions for such prizes as a basketball autographed by NBA All-star and Portland Trail Blazer Clyde Drexler, a giant neon McDonald's clock and a case of wine from an Oregon vineyard. Other fund raising events included a putting contest,

individual hole sponsorships and a raffle.

Ronald McDonald Children's Charities' main objective is to help the children of our area lead happier, healthier and more productive lives. RMCC reaches these goals by giving grants to non-profit organizations in three areas: education and the arts, civic projects and social services and health care and medical research which includes the Ronald McDonald House.

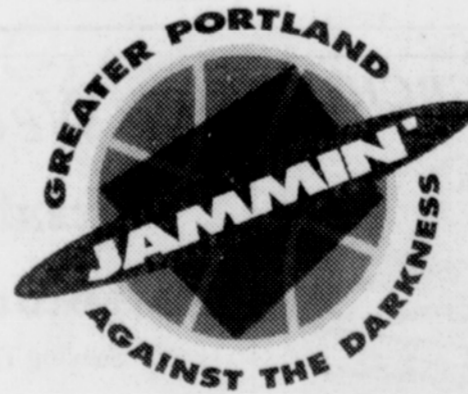
The big winner on the course in the tournament was Roger Snelling, owner and operator of McDonald's

in Newport, Lincoln City and Tillamook, and his family. Anabelle, Stacy and Allen, in the Big Mac Flight who scored a 9 under par, 63 for the course.

In the Ronald McDonald Flight, the team of Sally Darmody, Gay Simplot Ottor, Paula Freeman and Renee Landolt took first prize with an 8 under par, 64. The Miles of Smiles Flight saw Mary Ellen Mech, Bob Lunetta, Jeff Gorman and Jeff Morla take first place with a 7 under par, 65. Planning has already begun for the Fourth Annual Miles of Smiles Golf Tournament.

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### A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BRING A FRIEND



Buck Williams



David Wood



A.C. Green

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- Buck Williams
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- David Wood
- Wayman Tisdale

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TWO DYNAMIC NIGHTS OF HOPE  
MEMORIAL COLISEUM 7:00 FREE ADMISSION

- BASKETBALL DEMONSTRATIONS
- ATHLETES CHALLENGE TO THE CITY
- DYNAMIC MUSIC
- MESSAGE OF HOPE BY STEVE JAMISON