

# SPORTS

## YMCA Offers Summer Discovery

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The YMCA which has had a 120 presence in Portland recently opened a branch in North/inner Northeast Portland to serve the needs of the inner-city. Located at the Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 N.E. Knott.

One of the various programs administered from this office is "Summer Discovery Days." Geared to serve children from pre-Kindergarten to the fifth grade, it provides a wholesome menu of activities to keep children occupied and develop growth.

The program operates from three different sites, Humbolt, James John, and Sabin Elementary schools. Summer Discovery Days begins June 26 and runs 10 weeks through Aug 31.

There is a fee for the services provided, however financial assistance is available.

The Y's Summer Discovery Days offers a variety of activities for youth. Arts and crafts, group games and an assortment of field

trips. Operating hours are between 7am to 6pm

Field trips are scheduled between 9am and 6pm. Children will return to the child care site 4pm at the latest from the trips. There will be a number of mini excursions, such as outings to the park and swimming weekly.

The format of the program revolves around idea of discovery and each week will have its own individual theme. The James John and Humbolt sites will provide morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack inclusive at no extra cost. The Sabin site provides free morning and afternoon snacks. Parents will have to provide lunch for their children at this site.

A major field trip to the YMCA's residential summer camp in Gresham, is scheduled during the summer so the children can familiarize themselves with that experience.

Fawn McDaniels, Black Achievers Program Director says the Y tries to encourage leadership ability in all its programs in-

cluding "Summer Discovery Days." We feel that all children can learn she stated.

She also said that each site will be staffed by experienced personnel familiar with child-care. Each site will be under the supervision of a Director who has met C.S.D. administrative requirements and has had ample experience as an YMCA child-care employee. The whole program has been certified by C.S.D. and the Health Departments.

Ms McDaniels also commented that there are number of other programs that are offered by the Y that might be of interest to members of the community, such as Y. WOLF, a youth leadership program. Black Achievers a career goal oriented program and drug-free basketball, a youth basketball program emphasizing abstaining from drugs.

For those interested in Summer Discovery Days or any of the programs mentioned in this article you can contact Rosalyn Wilder, office manager 294-3855.

## Coach Johnson Gives Up Duties For Kids N Tennis

Don Johnson, head coach of the Wilson High School boys tennis team has announced his resignation to devote more time as chief executive officer of Kids N Tennis, Inc.

Johnson also cites increasing demands as director of tennis at St. Johns Racquet Center and as multi-participation coordinator of the U.S. Tennis Association's Pacific Northwest region.

Johnson has coached at Wilson for eight years.

During his tenure the team won 4 consecutive Portland Interscholastic League district titles, three league championships and placed second four times in district, three times in league and finished second twice in the boys 4-A state championships.

His overall coaching record during the period was 75-16-3 and

65-7 in the P.I.L.

"I have been truly blessed with quite a few good teams and a lot of great players," Johnson said.

"I would like to issue a special thanks to the parents of my players past and present for allowing me the opportunity to work with their children. Their faith and trust has been greatly appreciated," Johnson added.

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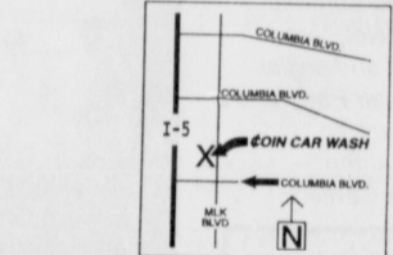
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The session will outline the respective roles of board and staff, examine the teamwork required in board/staff relations and explore the staff's role in helping the board identify and recruit new board members, identify when policy making isn't enough and outline the process of developing a "working board."

Arty Trost, co-author of Gaining Momentum for Board Action and consultant with Organizational Dynamics will present the forum. Trost draws on 20 years of experience working with board members of not-for-profit agencies.

The session will be held Wednesday, June 28 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Northeast Precinct community meeting room at 449 N.E. Emerson. Registration is \$7.50. Attendance will be limited. For information call Artangia Presley at 282-7973.

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