

# FAMILY



Ashley Mitchell-Phillips (left) and Malaysia Neal enjoy friendship after lunch at the Twin Rocks Friends Camp near Rockaway Beach.



Beach football was part of the fun at Pacific Youth Camp on the Oregon coast. The Aug 26-30 camp for area kids was sponsored by the northeast Portland program "Reaching in Serving Kids" or RISK.

## Area Kids Enjoy Pacific Youth Camp

A group of kids from the Portland area enjoyed a vacation on the Oregon Coast, thanks to the northeast Portland youth program "Reaching in Serving Kids" or RISK.

The event was held Aug. 26-

30 at the Twin Rocks Friends Camp near Rockaway Beach.

RISK executive director Leonard Clark Sr. said the campers were delighted with the fun, learning, adventure and new friendships they made over the

four days. Some of their activities included canoeing, swimming, hiking, play acting, getting acquainted, exercises, arts and crafts, Bible lessons, and lots of fun on the beach.

## Teens Get Alcohol Primarily from Friends

When it comes to getting booze, Oregon's middle and high school students often count on their friends as suppliers of their illegal alcohol.

According to a recent survey by Oregon's Department of Human Services, almost 16 percent of 8th graders and 33 percent of high school juniors who drink, said they obtain alcohol from their friends.

Nearly 10 percent of the students in both grades said they got alcohol from their parents' liquor cabinet. Almost 11 percent of 8th graders and 20 percent of 11th graders said other adults furnished them with alcohol. Shoulder tapping is a common method used by minors to obtain alcohol. They wait outside stores until a willing adult goes inside and makes the buy for

them. "These are alarming statistics," said Pamela S. Erickson, Oregon Liquor Control Commission director. "And that's why I've asked our regulatory division to focus more effort on illegal furnishing of alcohol." She said adults who furnish alcohol to minors face a \$350 fine on the first misdemeanor conviction.

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