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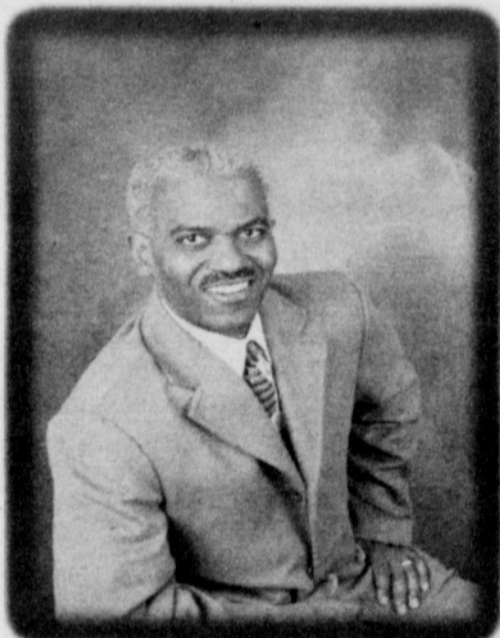
Many times when the story of Portland is told it comes by way of a singular community sharing their story in isolation. Rarely do diverse communities come together to share their oral histories. That is why this Saturday, May 11 Irvington Covenant Church will serve as host to "Shared," an event where Portland residents of varied backgrounds, races, and ages will orally share their stories about the city from the 1940s through the 1960s.

Located at 4046 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., the event will run from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Contact Tory Campbell at 503-287-5226 for more information.

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# SPORTS



Peninsula Little League all-star girls pose for a photo after their 5-2 championship victory against the Evergreen Fireballs.

## Peninsula 'Hit Squad' Victorious

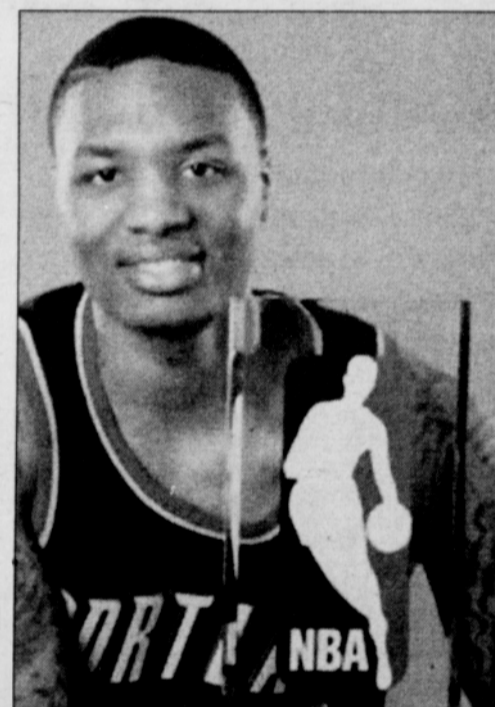
The undefeated Peninsula "Hit Squad" Little League softball all-star team proved victorious against their foes, the Evergreen Fireballs in a recent 5-2 triumph. The win saw the girls become champions of the Paul Wilson Memorial Spring Swing Tournament held last month in Vancouver.

## Lillard Unanimous Choice

### Blazer is NBA Rookie of the Year

(AP) -- It's unanimous: Damian Lillard is the NBA's Rookie of the Year.

No, it never was in question. Lillard, the sixth overall pick in last June's draft out of Weber State, led all rookies with a 19-point scoring average. He also averaged 6.1 assists and 3.1 rebounds, playing in



Damian Lillard of the Portland Trail Blazers poses with the Eddie Gottlieb Trophy after winning the 2012-13 Kia NBA Rookie of the Year award.

all 82 games this season. He broke Stephen Curry's rookie record for 3-pointers in a season, finishing with 185, and became just the third NBA rookie with at least 1,500 points and 500 assists, following Oscar Robertson and Alan Iverson.

And he swept all six of the league's Rookie of the Month awards this season.

"I can't stop smiling," Lillard said when he was awarded the Eddie Gottlieb Trophy on Wednesday.

Lillard is the fourth player in league history to win the Rookie of the Year unanimously, joining Blake

Griffin in 2011, David Robinson in 1990 and Ralph Sampson in 1984.

All season Lillard has been winning accolades from across the league.

"He's fantastic, really fantastic," Kobe Bryant said after the two squared off in a game earlier this month. "A lot of players get hot, but he's got the moves, the patience, intelligence, the balance on his jumpers. He's the real deal."

Utah Jazz forward DeMarre Carroll is also a fan.

"He's a complete player," Carroll said. "He's a young guy but you've got to give him credit, he plays hard and the team really relies on him. He's not afraid to take the big shot. The sky's the limit."

At the ceremony to announce the award at the Rose Garden Arena, the smartly dressed guard spoke about his upbringing in Oakland and how it shaped him as a hard-working player.

He was disappointed when he broke his foot to start his junior season at Weber State, because he had hopes of jumping to the NBA. He redshirted, and came back the next season to earn All-American honors. He was voted the Big Sky's Most Valuable Player.

Lillard is the fourth Blazer to win the Rookie of the Year award, joining Geoff Petrie (1971), Sidney Wicks (1972) and Brandon Roy (2007).

