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Nation salutes historic halls

Preservation of historic sites within the state is of vital importance, considering the state's enormous growth rate, Gov. Bob Straub said Friday during dedication ceremonies for the University's two national historic landmarks, Deady and Villard Halls.

Straub, one of several speakers for the ceremony that placed the two oldest buildings on the campus in the national historic register, said Deady and Villard Halls stand as monuments to the state's past.

"We need to preserve the past," Straub said, "Because, only through an awareness of our history will be allowed to understand our present and our future."

Deady and Villard Halls, the first buildings built on the University campus, were officially designated national historic landmarks by the National Park Service in a brief ceremony Friday afternoon. Among the guest speakers were Henry Villard's grandson, Oswald Villard; Richard Brown, University Beekman professor of Northwest and Pacific History, University President William Boyd, Russell Dickenson, regional director of the National Park Service and Peter Murphy, member of the Secretary of the Interior's Advisory Board for National Park Historic Sites and Monuments.

Straub told the dedication audience that the people of Oregon "need a shared imagination." Historic preservation, he said, has not only economic value but also social value.

The preservation movement is strong in Oregon, Straub said. The designation of Deady and Villard Halls as landmarks is consistent with goals set by the state's Land Conservation and Development Commission, which allow for the preservation and restoration of historic sites around the state.

"In a period when Oregon is faced with enormous growth — which we neither invite nor welcome — the preservation of historic monuments is vital to our state's heritage," Straub said.

Straub was joined in accepting the certificates of designation for the landmarks by Boyd, Brown and Villard. According to Boyd, funds from the state's Parks Department will be available to restore the two buildings to their original conditions.

Deady Hall, the University's first building, was named after the school's founder and first president, Judge Matthew Deady.

Villard Hall was constructed in 1886 and named for the University's first major benefactor, Henry Villard.

Award ceremony honors students

Seven University students were honored Saturday at an annual awards ceremony held on the campus in connection with the University's Parent's Weekend.

Joint winners of the Gerlinger Cup, given each year to a junior woman for outstanding leadership, scholarship and service, were Maria Rojo, a Community Service and Public Affairs major, and Keli Osborn, a journalism major.

Winner of the Koyl Cup, given in honor of the late Charles Koyl, a 1911 University graduate, to a junior man for outstanding progress in the areas of leadership, service and academic achievement, was Jeffery Warren, a geography and urban studies major.

James Stratton, an outdoor education major, received the Maurice Harold Hunter Leadership Scholarship. The one-year full-tuition scholarship is given to the junior man — a resident of Oregon — who is judged to have made the most notable contribution toward the development of leadership qualities in his fellow students.

Recipient of the American Association of University Women's Senior Woman Recognition Award was Andrea Gelatly of Philomath.

Scott McEldowney, Oregon gymnast, received the Emerald Athletic Award presented annually by the Emerald and the University Department of Intercollegiate Athletics to a senior for outstanding achievements in athletics, service and scholarship. McEldowney is a sociology major.

Winner of the Doyle Higdon Memorial Trophy was Rudy Chapa, distance runner for the University track team. Chapa is a sophomore liberal arts student. The Higdon Trophy, sponsored by the sophomore and junior classes, is given annually to a student athlete completing the sophomore year for excellence in athletics, scholarship and citizenship.



Photo by Peter Gay

Olympics exude jubilation

While the Duck trackmen battled Kenyans and Californians in Corvallis, another meet took place here in Eugene — the Special Olympics for the mentally retarded. The annual event attracted over 900 participants from around the state, and though there were no Chapas, Ronos, or Centrovizs entered, it proved every bit as exciting and fulfilling as the Pac-8 finals for all those involved.

Participation was evident, from both the numbers and enthusiasm of competitors, as well as officials. Volunteers from campus fraternities and sororities, the 20-30 Club, the Eugene Jay-Cee's and over 70 park and recreation students were involved

in organizing and coordinating the day-long meet. Events included sprints, middle and long distance running, frisbee and softball throws, and long and high jumps. In between, participants could enjoy earth ball and other "new games", face painting, puppet and hat making, or live entertainment provided by local musicians and Harry the Hippo. Harry, a large paper-mache creation, who thrives on garbage, seldom goes hungry. The activities were highlighted by the appearances of Mike Drummond, Pres. Boyd, a parachuter, and a balloonist who promised free rides but was forced by winds that snapped his tethers and blew him towards Coburg to forego.