

GOIN' TO THE DANCE

Finally: The Oregon men ended a 34-year drought on Sunday with a berth into the NCAA tournament

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Survive and advance. Those were the buzz-words hovering around McArthur Court on Sunday after the Oregon men were announced as the No. 6 seed in the West region of the NCAA Championship Tournament.

"Survive and advance is what it is to be in the NCAA tournament," Oregon head coach Jerry Green said. "Every time out you do that, the number of 64 gets cut in half, and right now we're looking at Texas and seeing if we can't get 64 down to 32."

The 25th-ranked Ducks, who make their first appearance in the tournament in 34 years, are slated to face Southwest Conference champion Texas on Thursday in Salt Lake City.

"We have nothing to lose," Oregon co-captain Jeff Potter said. "No one's expecting us to get among the final 32 or 16 [teams]."

"We've just got to take things one game at a time and anything can happen in a one-game situation. This has been a great ending to the regular season, and hopefully we can make it even better."

Oregon's dream regular season concluded on Saturday with a fourth-place standing in the rugged Pacific-10 Conference and a 19-8 overall record.

Before every home game this season, the Ducks would touch a black NCAA sign in the locker room and on the count of three would all say "whatever it takes" as motivation to earn a bid to the "Big Dance."

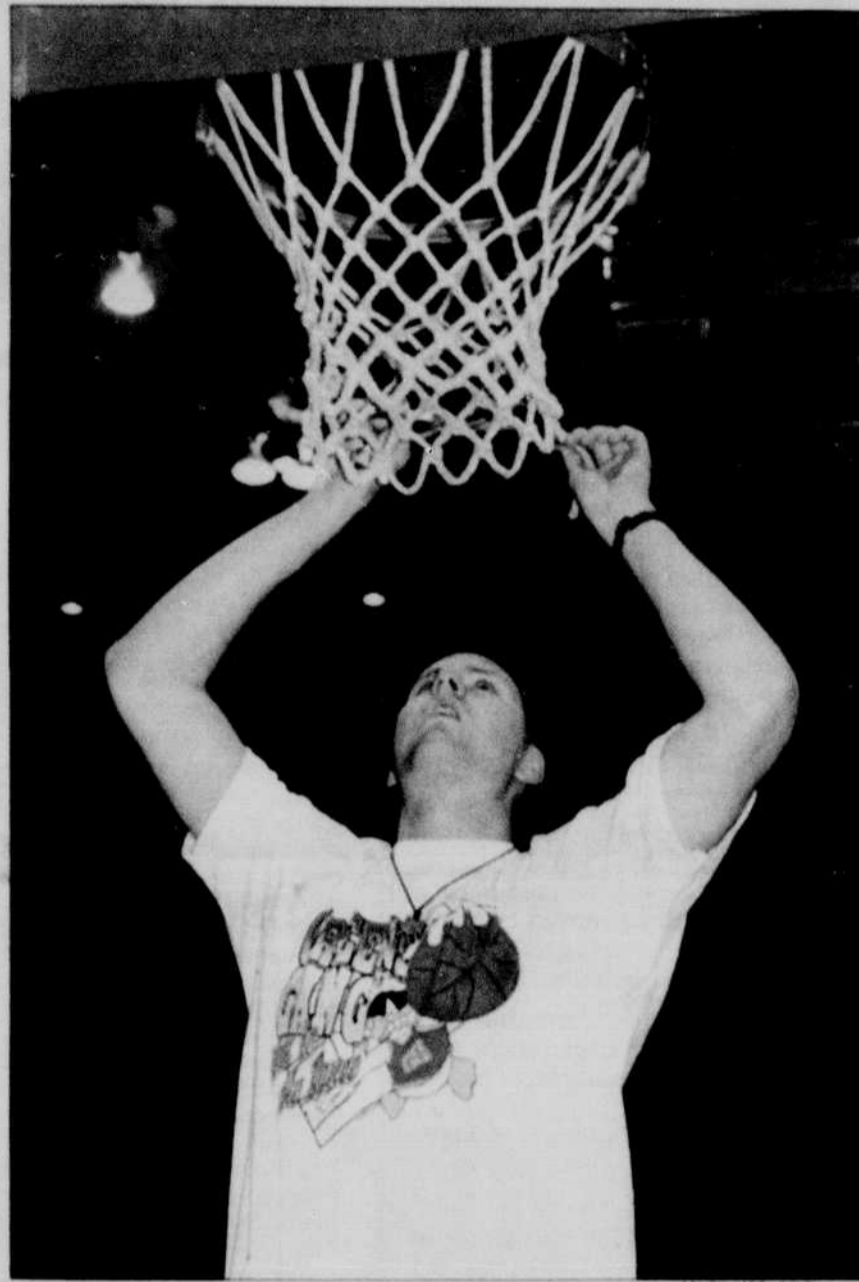
That motivation seems to have paid off as Oregon now enters a second season of hope and excitement — an opportunity the Ducks strived for and thought attainable throughout the year.

"We've put in a lot of hours, blood, sweat and tears this season," Oregon co-captain Orlando Williams said. "We finally got Oregon where it needs to be."

"We know we can do it, and we're going to go show Texas what the Pac-10 and Oregon is all about."

What Oregon is all about is a group of achiev-

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NCAA TOURNEY

■ The Oregon men and women's basketball teams gained berths into this year's NCAA tournaments as No. 6 seeds. The men make their first appearance in the tournament since 1961 and the women make their second straight tournament appearance.

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Jeff Potter joined in the net-cutting festivities on Sunday as the Oregon men celebrated their post-season berth, the first in 34 years.

Bombs explode near campus

Detonations: No one was injured in the two bombing incidents

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While the detonation of two small bombs on campus last week didn't hurt anyone, police and campus safety officials fear another bombing could lead to serious injury.

Sometime between March 3-6, two windows in the Music Building, 961 E. 18th Ave., were blown out after a bomb placed on an interior window sill exploded.

Eugene bomb squad officers investigated and determined that the bomb was made out of an empty carbon dioxide cartridge filled with gunpowder. Such cartridges are commonly used as propellant fuel for air pistols.

A second bomb made of the same materials destroyed a public phone outside the Gerlinger Annex Building on March 9, according to Eugene police officer Judy Rodenhuis. A carbon dioxide bomb consistent with the cartridge used at the Music Building was placed in the coin return slot and detonated, Rodenhuis said.

"If anyone hears an explosive device or some similar type of sound, they should contact the Office of Public Safety on campus or Eugene police immediately so we can get to the location and question people leaving the area," she said.

Anyone who comes across what appears to be one of the devices should under no circumstances pick it up. If a device is discovered, contact police.

■ GOOD MORNING

► Rep. Peter DeFazio will visit the University today to discuss a new bill proposed in the Oregon House of Representatives that may affect student financial aid.



DEFAZIO

The Recession Bill would give the government the ability to take back funds it has already designated to certain groups in last year's legislature, according to Jennifer Williamson, the ASUO federal affairs coordinator.

"Financial aid is one of the programs that they might cut," Williamson said.

DeFazio is visiting several

organizations in the Eugene-Springfield area to talk about the bill.

He will speak on a panel with financial aid office administrators and University students. Following the panel will be a town hall style public discussion.

The panel will take place from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the EMU Ben Linder Room.

► SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's junior member of Congress will soon have another junior in the house. Her house.

Rep. Enid Greene Waldholtz, R-Utah, is expecting her first baby in late September. She will be only the second woman ever to have a baby while serving in Congress.

"We're thrilled," Waldholtz, 36, told the The Deseret News in Sunday's editions, referring to her husband, Joe.

Delta Lambda Phi considers forming University chapter

Fraternity: The organization would give gay men on campus support, opportunity to socialize

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Options. That is what a group of students interested in starting a chapter of Delta Lambda Phi, a "progressive fraternity," want to offer the greek system and gay men at the University.

"[Delta Lambda Phi] is an option for men who, for one reason or another, feel a traditional fraternity is not for them," said Mark Ditton, codirector of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance at the University.

According to Douglas Knecht, ASUO recruitment and retention coordinator, there is a need for

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