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## Weather forecast

Today Showers  
High 48, Low 41

Tuesday Showers  
High 47, Low 37

## Fast relief from colds, flu

Pharmacists can prescribe medicine for students and let them know if they need further care/ PAGE 10

## Ducks dismantle Cal

With a decisive defeat over the Golden Bears, Oregon earns a spot in the NIT/ PAGE 11

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“We would have really liked to share this with our fans, but we have to make the most of it.”

Jody Runge  
UO head coach

The Oregon women cheer after the announcement of their seating for the NCAA Tournament versus Cincinnati. The Ducks were chosen along with 63 other teams to play in this year's competition.



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“To have the opportunity to host a game here at home and to play a team the caliber of Georgia Tech, that's like a dream come true.”

Ernie Kent  
UO head coach

## Women play Cincinnati in first round of tourney

The team will head to Iowa for the second-straight year, this time without any injuries

By Allison Ross  
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The Oregon women's basketball team played its last conference game at McArthur Court two weeks ago, but after averaging more than 5,000 fans a game, the Ducks thought they might be back to host the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament.

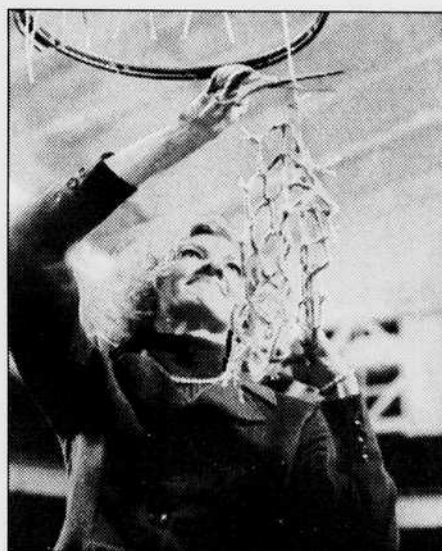
Those thoughts were dashed Sunday. More than 2,000 fans gathered at Mac Court Sunday afternoon to learn that Oregon

will travel east for the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament for the fifth straight year.

The Ducks, who won a share of the conference title Saturday, will return to Ames, Iowa, for the second straight year where they will face Cincinnati (22-8, 12-4 Conference USA) in the first round of the Midwest Region on Friday. Host school and fourth-seeded Iowa State plays Santa Clara in the other first-round game in Ames.

Oregon was one of only four schools to have its pairings party broadcast live on ESPN, and it was among elite company. No. 1 Purdue, No. 2 Tennessee and No. 4

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Matt Hankins/Emerald

Oregon head coach Jody Runge cuts the last string of the home net to celebrate a victorious season.

## Oregon faces Georgia Tech in first round

The Ducks are hoping to make it to New York, but must first beat the Yellow Jackets

By Rob Moseley  
Oregon Daily Emerald

If the Oregon men's basketball team had been told at the beginning of this season that its final destination would be a spot in the National Invitation Tournament, the overriding reaction would have been disappointment.

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## Oregon educators meet to outline new goals for universities

Universities aim to help students prepare for technology-based jobs

By Teri Meeuwse  
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PORTLAND — Members of the Portland community, educators and others interested in higher education learned on Friday how the Oregon University System plans to keep up with Oregon's increasing population and growing technology-based job market.

At a City Club of Portland luncheon, OUS Chancellor Joseph Cox said the higher education sys-

tem must prepare itself for fast-paced changes.

“Based on the premise that change is inevitable and we had the choice of being either a victim of change or an architect of it, we chose to be architects,” he said.

“We began this process of self-examination and reform by doing something American higher education has not been especially good at — listening.”

Cox said OUS created a new budget model to keep up with Oregon's increase in technology-oriented jobs like computer science and engineering.

“It encourages our campuses to

be collaborative and innovative in responding to the changing needs — the needs of more than merely the traditional populations of campus-based students,” he said.

Cox also outlined short-term goals created by the Board of Higher Education to help universities keep up with the changing needs of students and society. By the next biennium, Cox said universities will:

- improve graduation rates of entering students by 2 percent,
- add between 350 to 400 additional graduates in engineering, computer science, mathematics and science,

- increase enrollment of students with 3.75 grade point averages from 19 percent to 22 percent by increasing scholarship opportunities,

- target a 3 percent improvement for all graduates on professional licensing examinations in law, engineering, architecture, accounting and other fields, and

- increase student participation in internships, up from 68 percent.

“He described the OUS situation very well,” said Portland State University President Daniel Bernstine. “I think the club members got a lot out of it.”

The City Club of Portland “in-

forms its members and the community in public matters and arouses them in a realization of the obligation of citizenship.” The group is made up of business and community members and educators.

The system is seeking \$116 million more in funding from the Legislature.

“We're asking the state to recapitalize for education,” Cox said.

Senate Republicans proposed a \$100 million budget for higher education and Gov. John Kitzhaber suggested \$75 million for higher education.