



Ducks Win!
Oregon comes up with two miracle three-pointers on two length-of-the-court passes for the game's deciding six points. The 76-74 win locks up at least third place in the Pac-10. **Unbelievable! PAGE 7**

The Flash

Conference features variety of speakers

The Public Interest Environmental Law Conference continues tomorrow through Sunday. Keynote speakers include David Browner founder of the Earth Island Institute; Julia Butterfly Hill, animal rights activist; Rod Coronado; Carrie Dan and Bill Meadows, president of the Wilderness society. More than 100 panels and workshops are set for the conference. For the schedules, locations and costs, call 346-3828. **PAGE 6**

Study finds vitamin C potentially harmful

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A new study raises the disturbing possibility that taking vitamin C pills may speed up hardening of the arteries. Researchers called their discovery a surprise and cautioned that more experiments are needed to know for sure whether megadoses of the vitamin actually are harmful.

S.C. strips King's name from holiday

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — A bill that would create an official Martin Luther King Jr. holiday for state employees in South Carolina was amended in the state House on Thursday to strip his name from it and to include a statement that Confederate flags are not racist symbols. Divided along racial and party lines, legislators voted to name the holiday Civil Rights Day. The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta said South Carolina is the only state that doesn't recognize a King holiday for all state employees.

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Grievance suppresses exec results

Autumn DePoe claims ASUO Executive candidates Gabbe and Larson lied before the ASUO Constitution Court

By Emily Gust
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For the second time this election season, results of the ASUO Executive race are being shielded from the public eye. The culprit looks very similar to the one that suspended release of the primary results last week: another grievance targeted at executive candidates C.J. Gabbe and Peter Larson. Gabbe and Larson ran against Jay Breslow and Holly Magner this week in the gener-

al election for ASUO Executive. This one, filed by former executive candidate Autumn DePoe, again accuses the pair of breaking elections rules when they sponsored the Feb. 4 International Student Association's coffee hour. However, DePoe added another complaint. She asserted that Gabbe and Larson lied in front of the ASUO Constitution Court at a public hearing regarding the case last Friday when they claimed they

included the \$40 spent for those refreshments on their expenditure forms. Wednesday evening, the court decided to withhold the results of the general election as well until a final decision is made. The results can be held for up to 10 days unless an extension is requested. Gabbe and Larson's expenditure forms do not include the coffee hour money at all. After last Friday's public Turn to **Elections**, page 5



African movement

Rita Honka and her African dance students perform at Washington Elementary School. The dance troop has been touring area schools since 1996.



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Dancing to **DISCOVERY**

■ Dance students tour Eugene schools to teach children about African culture through native dance

By Jack Clifford
Oregon Daily Emerald
The odds are nil of ever taking several hundred elementary-aged students to Africa as an educational lesson. That's why the University dance department is bringing the continent to them. Since 1996, adjunct instructor Rita

Honka and her African dance students have toured Eugene-area schools, giving hour-long presentations complete with the three D's: dancing, drumming and discovery. "I'm used to performing for more mature audiences, so just to be able to dance in front of the kids is great," said Dawn Tuman, a senior dance major and one of Honka's teaching assistants. "It's new and exciting for them, and they're like, 'Wow, I've never seen dance like this before.' It's raising their awareness to other cultures." Turn to **Dance**, page 6

Campaign finance initiative disputed

The discussion is one highlight of the Public Interest Environmental Law Conference at the University

By Ben Romano
Oregon Daily Emerald
Bill Sizemore never showed up, but that didn't stop a panel of Oregon political activists from debating the merits of an initiative to reform campaign finance in the state. Initiative 150 seeks to amend the Oregon Constitution with language that limits the maximum amount an individual or corporation can contribute to a campaign. It would also require that all campaign contributors disclose their donations. Thursday's panel discussion, "Money and Politics: Free Speech or Root of All Evil," was part of the Public Interest Environmental Law Conference, which will end Sunday. Sizemore, head of Oregon Taxpayers United, was sched-

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Rape stats still bleak, but education is key

■ Many contend that educating both women and men about rape is crucial toward prevention

By Sara Lieberth
Oregon Daily Emerald
While the statistics on sexual assault remain discouraging, there do exist more resources and advocacy groups available to women than ever before, including many instituted and new programs on campus. Among the University's offerings are the ASUO Women's Center information and referral services, specialized survivor counseling at the University Health Center, the longtime self-defense class in the Women's Studies Department and recent collaborative efforts from the

This is the last installment in a three-part series on sexual assault. **Wednesday:** Reported crimes on campus and issues of safety. **Thursday:** Advocacy efforts for victims and prosecution of offenders. **Today:** Empowerment through counseling and prevention education.

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