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The Ducks come up with chances, but no wins, against USC and UCLA. PAGE 11



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Wrapped up in a win



Oregon defenders Keith Lewis (16) and Wesly Mallard (18) wrap up a Washington State player in Pullman on Saturday. The Ducks won the important matchup, 24-17.

Ducks beat WSU to share piece of Pac-10 lead

They're baaaaack.

The Oregon Ducks rebounded from a loss to Stanford on Oct. 20 to topple previouslyundefeated Washington State on Saturday, mostly on the strength of a rushing attack spearheaded by Onterrio Smith.

Oregon's vaunted aerial assault was a mere sidebar as the Ducks dominated the Cougars

on the ground en route to their seventh win of the season.

Oregon rushed for a school-record 446 vards against Washington State, which had the conference's top-ranked rushing defense before Saturday's game. Onterrio Smith broke Ahmad Rashad's school record for individual rushing yards, with 285.

The win was important for the Ducks, who moved into a four-way tie for the conference lead with the victory. Stanford knocked off UCLA early Saturday, which means the Cardinal, Bruins, Cougars, Ducks and Washington Huskies each have one conference loss.

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New ASL club raises awareness of deaf culture

Signing tor change

Today: A new club on campus aims to educate people about sign language

Tuesday: One student to works to get ASL to fulfill the University language requirement

■ The club is sponsoring fun activities as well as pushing for ASL to count toward the University language requirement

By Anna Seeley Oregon Daily Emera

There is a new club on campus for people to explore and learn more about deaf culture and its language.

The Sign Language Club, which officially began in the summer, was created to teach others and make the campus and the community aware of deaf culture, said the club's president Shun Yanagishita. A group of students came up with the idea for a sign language club during winter term.

'One time during winter term some of us were saying, 'Wouldn't it be cool to meet for dinner and sign?'" Yanagishita said. "And we were like, 'We have to do it!""

A goal of the club is to erase the stereotypes placed on the deaf and hard of hearing, and make people aware of the deaf community, Yanagishita said. She said they also want to teach the community that sign language is an actual language.

The club meets once every two weeks for "Sign and Dine" at restaurants around campus and where they "eat food and sign the whole time," Yanagishita said. People will see the group when they sign in public places, and this is one way the club makes the community aware of deaf culture, she said.

"We want to make sure people don't think deaf people are strange," she said. "The deaf community here is pretty small so that's why a lot of people don't know about it.'

In addition to "Sign and Dine," the club is hoping to have deaf cultural nights and guest speakers.

The club is also working towards making American Sign Language satisfy the second language requirement on campus. Oregon law does allow ASL to satisfy the requirement, but the University does not currently recognize it as such.

"After English and Spanish, it is estimated that ASL is the third most-used language in the U.S.," said University ASL instructor Johanna Larson-Muhr. "It is the only manual, visual language, so people with more aptitude in visuospatial fields can utilize this rather than struggle with a spoken language if that is not their forte.'

In order for ASL to satisfy the requirement, it has to pass the undergraduate curriculum committee first and then a department must "sponsor" it financially and philosophically, Larson-Muhr said.

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Limited funding may delay vet school

■ Some question whether OSU should continue to fight for the new college in light of school and statewide budget shortages

By Leon Tovey

Despite predicting a \$19 million budget shortfall that may force them to cut departments and freeze hiring, Oregon State University is moving ahead with plans to expand its College of Veterinary Medicine

On Oct. 19, the State Board of Higher Education voted 3-2 to approve a proposal from OSU asking the Oregon Legislature's Emergency Board for \$14.5 million over the next two years. The money would be used to expand OSU's veterinary program and finance the expansion and renovation of the building that currently houses the college, but the proposal has prompted criticism from a number of sources.

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News brief

Shooting suspect arrested

Eugene police arrested 19-year-old Venus Vishal Chand of Springfield on Thursday on two charges of first-degree assault in the shooting of a University student and another individ-

Springfield police attempted to contact Chand on Thursday regarding unrelated warrants issued in Multnomah County. After a brief standoff, Springfield police took Chand into custody at 889 Oakdale Ave.

'Upon his arrest (by Springfield police), we went and paid him a visit," EPD spokeswoman Jan Power said. "We knew to do it based on information in the investigation."

The assaults involved University journalism student Daniel P. Sullivan, 20, and Eric Richard Rauh, 21, both of Eugene. According to EPD, the two suffered gunshot wounds during a verbal altercation Oct. 19 at Hilvard Street and 17th Avenue in Eugene.

Sullivan was treated and released Oct. 20 at Sacred Heart Medical Center. Rauh was hospitalized Oct. 20 and released Friday from Sacred Heart.

A witness told the Emerald on Oct. 22 that an argument began among a group of people gathered at the intersection shortly before midnight Oct. 19.

Chand is currently incarcerated at the Lane County Jail. Power said he would be arraigned in Lane County Circuit Court.

-Sue Ryan