

# Basketball

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on Thursday, the Ducks' largest margin of victory ever in the series. But it could be a good sign for the Los Angeles school, which beat Oregon State 70-48 on Saturday.

Last season, after losing to California by 29 on the road, UCLA reeled off eight straight wins, including a victory over previously-undefeated Stanford. The Bruins lost only two more games the rest of the season and ended up in the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16, where they lost to eventual national champion Duke.

### Rat race for eighth

Who would have thought a game between two conference bottom-feeders could be so entertaining?

Only the top eight teams from the conference are invited to the Pac-10 Tournament in March, so the conference's cellar dwellers now have something to play for.

On Thursday, Washington and Washington State played for it. Boy, did they ever.

The Huskies and Cougars traded baskets down the stretch in Pullman, and with 0.3 seconds left,

Washington State's Marcus Moore fouled Washington's Will Conroy behind the three-point line.

Less than one second left. Huskies down by three points with three free throws to tie.

First free throw. Swish.

Second free throw. Miss.

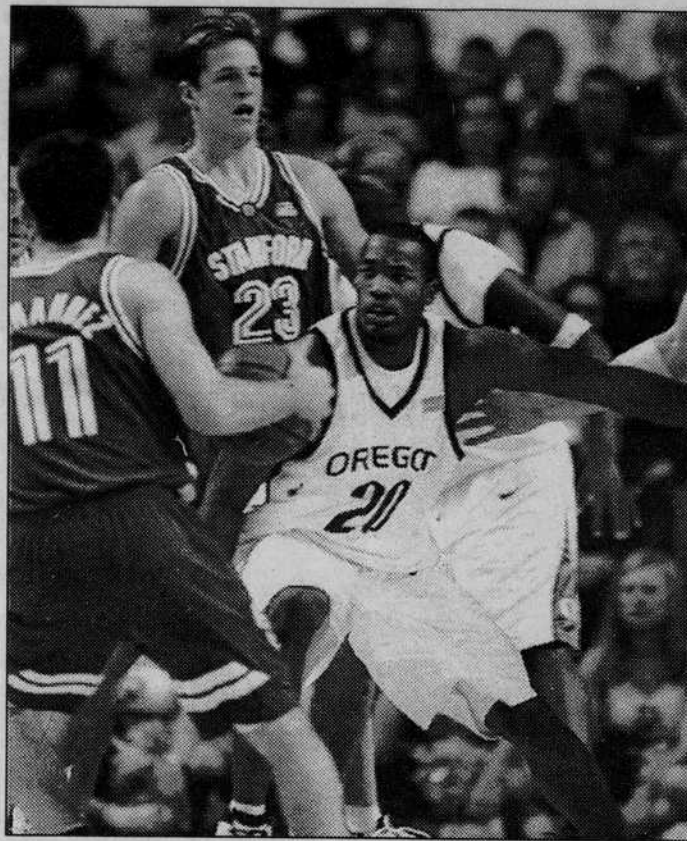
Third free throw. Miss.

The Cougars go wild. They've got their first Pac-10 win, 81-79. However, the Huskies still hold down ninth place, one game behind Oregon State, which was swept at home by USC and UCLA this weekend. Washington State is two games behind Oregon State.

### Casey, the prodigal Jacobsen

Stanford's Casey Jacobsen was named the Pac-10's Player of the Week after an absolutely dominating performance over Arizona State on Thursday. The Cardinal junior had a Maples Pavilion-record 49 points on 14-for-22 shooting from the field, six three-pointers and 15-for-17 shooting from the free-throw line. Stanford won the game, 90-81.

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Stanford's Casey Jacobsen, No. 23, seen here against Oregon, is the Pac-10 Player of the Week after scoring 49 points against Arizona State.

# Tennis

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include beating No. 53 Vlaski of the Huskies 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.

"I stayed focused mentally and battled through the first set of both matches," said Kost, the Ducks' No. 2 singles player. "After that, I was able to gain confidence and play well enough to put the matches away. It feels good to get the wins because I know I'm good enough to beat players at that high level."

Russell was impressed by Kost's play and said the freshman may move up to No. 1.

"He has been playing very well against some really tough competition," Russell said. "He's now 4-0 this season, and he might get a shot at going No. 1."

Oregon's record is now 3-1 overall, with Pacific-10 Conference play starting in late March (Sunday's match against Washington didn't count as a conference match). The Ducks will face the Huskies again on April 20, in Seattle.

"Overall, I feel really good about our performance this weekend," Russell said. "We're starting to reach a point where we don't settle for moral victories, which is important. We're building confidence, and we believe we can compete with some of the better teams in the country."

Peter Martini is a freelance reporter for the Emerald.

## Call for Nominations Faculty Distinguished Teaching Awards

Deadline for Nominations: **FEBRUARY 22, 2002**

Faculty, staff, students, and alumni are invited to submit nominations for any faculty members, .5FTE or greater, tenure or non-tenure related, who have taught at the University of Oregon for a minimum of two (2) years. The *Ersted Award* and *Thomas F. Herman Award* are presented annually at Spring Commencement to University of Oregon faculty members for distinguished teaching. Each award will be accompanied by a recurring monetary reward. (Please note: Graduate Teaching Fellows have their own competition and are ineligible for these teaching awards.)

### Eligibility for Awards

#### Ersted Award for Distinguished Teaching

The late Mr. A. J. Ersted established the *Ersted Award for Distinguished Teaching* so the University of Oregon could annually honor faculty members "who have taught comparatively short periods and have demonstrated exceptional abilities to induce students to reason and not merely memorize." The Ersted Award is presented only to faculty who are early in their teaching careers. This teaching may occur at the undergraduate or graduate level.

#### Thomas F. Herman Faculty Achievement Award for Distinguished Teaching

This award honors senior faculty members who have achieved outstanding records as teachers. The *Thomas F. Herman Award* is presented only to faculty members who have academic rank at the University of Oregon for at least seven years, and who have demonstrated long-standing excellence in teaching and have contributed significantly to student learning at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Nominations will be accepted either through submissions of the following form *or* by e-mail. If your nomination is e-mailed, please make sure that you include all the information contained on this form.

Send/Return this nomination form to:

Lorraine G. Davis  
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I nominate (print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_ for the

(Please check one)  Ersted Award  Thomas F. Herman Award

My reason(s) for nomination are: (you may attach a separate sheet, if necessary)

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Please check your status  Faculty  Student  Alumni  Staff

# Wrestling

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Tony Overstake, who is ranked No. 17, narrowly missed a win over No. 11 Rocky Smart, losing 3-2. Oregon's 157-pound wrestler, Overstake has been wrestling well for the Ducks after recovering from a knee injury that sidelined him for three of Oregon's dual meets. Against Boise State, Overstake defeated Tyler Robertson, 11-5.

Along with Overstake's one point loss, Oregon also lost the heavy-weight match by one point as No. 9 Kellen Fluckiger defeated No. 15 Eric Webb 3-2 in overtime.

"The dual score wasn't indicative of how close it was," Kearney said. "We had some matches where we were in the position to win."

Kearney is hopeful that his team will use the defeat in Tempe as a gauge of where they are in the Pac-10.

### Pac-10 Wrestling Standings

	Overall	Pac-10
Arizona State	9-2	6-0
Oregon State	10-6	6-1
Boise State	7-3	4-1
UC-Davis	8-7	3-2
Cal-Poly	8-7	3-3
Stanford	9-7	2-3
Oregon	5-6	2-3
Portland State	7-10	2-4
CS-Bakersfield	2-5	0-3
CS-Fullerton	3-13	0-6

"In the loss, our guys are looking at where they need to be to make a run at the Pac-10 conference title."

The Ducks next compete against UC-Bakersfield and Fresno State on Friday at McArthur Court.

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