State of UI

Nellis optimistic of future after year of cuts

Joe Pfieger

After the dissertation or restructuring of 49 programs due to the university's cuts in its budget, University President Duane Nellis remains optimistic about the future.

Nellis spoke to students, faculty and staff during his State of the University Address Wednesday inside Union Bellon.

"Holding on to national trends, pits of rash and plucks are up 20 per- cent this year over the previous year," Nellis said. "To date, I'm a bit encouraged. The enhancements and foundations in the confidence they have in the promise and value of Idaho's land grant research university."

As far as budget cuts are going, Nellis said Idaho is getting closer

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Faculty wants retention tool

Jennifer Scholte

The University of Idaho Faculty Senate voted Tuesday to approve an award that would be given to a UI faculty member under professor status for their contributions to the university. The proposal was brought before the Senate from the Faculty Affairs Committee, who was in support of the proposal.

The proposal would award a distinguished professor $10,000 per year for five years. The candidate must be a professor for at least seven years and have maintained some way to the university. The funds for the award would come from UI President Duane Nellis's discretionary fund.

The original proposal was voted on and approved and would move to Nellis for approval. On Tuesday, Senate Chair Jack Miller brought the proposal back to the Senate with changes suggested by Nellis.

Bill Miller said he would not do the following changes: the University Distinguished Faculty State, page 4

Midnight madness

Students and employees brave the craziness of downtown Moscow at night

Lauren Peterson

Sun on the counter, broken windows and dance parties are just some of the nightly noises and sights that witnessed when trying to grab a snack at one of the many late night restaurants in Moscow.

As many students know, Moscow's nightlife doesn't end at last call, because a few of their favorite food holes are open late.

UI junior Hannah Hart said she loves the bagel shop for her late night appe- tites and said watching the crowd can be a blast.

"The bagel shop is the place to go for some post-bar entertainment," Hart said. "That's where all the drunk people go, and it can be quite the show.

The bagel shop has been open since 2006 and has had its fair share of inci- dents involving the late night crowd. Employee Pardon Phylde said he knows what to expect after working the night shift for years. He said someone once had sex on the counter in front of him and one time he "didn't throw him out because he's a bigger guy and he's thrown out trou- blemakers before." Phylde said. He said sex on the counter was just one of the many wild events the night crew has witnessed.

"We also had a guy who would just stand up on a table and scream at the top of his lungs and just sit back down."

Phylde said. "That was annoying."

His co-worker Zach O'Connor said the crowd can get pretty rowdy, but because the Moscow Police Station is right around the corner they can usually just hop over to help.

"There's a lot of punch- ing and fighting," said O'Connor, who added that customers like punching holes in the wall. "We have one in the hallway that's still not fixed. Before our bathroom sinks were more fixed into place, people would have sex on them and they would break off the wall."

Moscow Police Officer Lindsey Mc- toosh said almost all of the late night issues at the bagel shop are alcohol related. "People have had fighting, games, and a whole bunch of drunks in one place doesn't usually work out," said Mcbride, who has often been one of the cops on the scene breaking up a fight or two.

O'Connor said people like to break up the paper towel rolls as well.

But the sticks and other objects aren't the only items on the list of destructed prop- erty. O'Connor said a cus- tomer has even run through the glass front door.

"I guess he thought it was open or something, he just ran straight through and broke it through, there was glass everywhere," O'Connor said. "We've had someone sitting at one of the tables near the windows that fell back and broken one of those too.

Apparently, the destruction of one stick of paper towel didn't end there — motorists is also part see MADNESS, page 4
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New Business

Bill B10-29 amending the Activation Board by adding conditions and regulations for a student organization to receive funding was sent to committee and will be voted on next week.

Bill B10-30 will create a program within the university that will allow students the opportunity to receive the tools necessary to maintain academic excellence in any program offered by the university. It will also create an umbrella for current programs that will be more effective in serving students and will increase student involvement in academic success seminars. Bill B10-30 will be voted on next week.

Several resolutions will be consid- ered at next week’s meeting. Resolu- tion B10-55 concerning the removal of the classroom from the Women’s Center. Staffs concerning the format education students at UI, and B10-13 concerning the status of the Save Grace Walk will be heard on the floor on the day of the meeting next week.

ASUI Senate meetings are open to the public and are held at 7 p.m. ev- ery Wednesday in the UI Commons Whitewater room.

- Rose Bieghle

Idaho scientists find fiddled worm

Nicholas K. Geanoulis
Associated Press

Two living specimens of the fiddled giant earthworm were announced for the first time in two decades in what rep- resents a major scientific discovery that has achieved a mythic status in the area. The giant Palouse Idaho worm, which re- moved scientists for decades after being long-sought before being discovered, was announced by Idaho State University in Washing- ton Idaho.

"This will be for the worm," said Uni- versity of Idaho soil scientist John Johnson-Maynard.

The most curious of the worms ap- peared at the University of Idaho when a scientist examined the worm's appearance. They don’t go, or small, and might be the same size as a human hair, he said.

"One of my colleagues suggested we maybe have discovered a new type of earthworm," Johnson-Maynard said when the worm was first seen.

While they had been thought to be able to grow to 3 feet long, the worm is actually 9 to 12 inches fully extended, which is the same size as a human hand.

The worms were transparent, allowing internal organs to be seen. They had pale flesh-colored tissues and were found working through the soil.

Some scientists have suggested that the worms be fiddled with and that they be put on a diet in a controlled environment to study their nature.

The worms are being kept by the Idaho State University scientists, who have kept them in a lab and have observed their behavior.

The worms are being studied to see if they have any potential for agriculture or for use in research.

Last month, a team of scientists from the University of Idaho announced that they had found the worm at a site on the Palouse River.

The worms were discovered by the university’s researchers, who were searching for new species in the area.

"They look like a giant, long-worm," said Jodi Hoversten, a PhD student in zoology.

"We were surprised to find them," Hoversten said.

"The worm was seen in the lab and was observed to be moving around the soil."
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Donors keep UMaine alive

University of Idaho President Duane Nellis gave his State of the University Address Wednesday, discussing doom and gloom ranging from budget cuts to restructuring of programs.

But there was one high point — gifts of cash and pledges to UMaine at $30 per cent since last year. "The passion is unprecedented for our university," Nellis said. "We need to build on that."

Nellis is right. While the state's economy far from boom, stepping forward budget cuts as a possibility, cash and pledges to UMaine look strong and will hopefully continue to bring in more money for the university.

Failure programs have been discontinued or restructured, and the university's general education and state appropriation has been cut by more than 21 percent. That's a lot of money, even for their economic situation, the requested 12 percent increase in student fees was nixed by the Idaho State Board of Education, which settled on a 9.5 percent increase.

I have misgivings about it, even with the economic trouble the UI is thriving — 93 percent of students were on campus through fall 2009 to spring 2010. While budget issues have cost more than 100 faculty and staff jobs, student support programs are achieving academic success. Every bit of financial aid helps.

And for that, the various individuals and groups who have given their hard-earned dollars to UI should be praised, as a higher education system is crucial to the state of Idaho.

— GC

The mail

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Correspondence from our readers

Immigrants embrace dream

I am utterly ashamed that my university never once mentioned such a bill in its newsletter, let alone defended it like "California Falling Apart." By Alex Altman

The campus in the Sunday Argonaut. To claim that illegal immigration is the sole cause of California's economic crisis and to ignore the admitted mismanagement of the state's budget by government officials is simply uninformed idiocy. It is unwise or unable to resist as Hispanic Americans to the Senate and hold numerous other positions of distinction. Are these people not adequate members of our "Christian" and Jewish community? Since the admission of Hispanic Americans to the House of Representatives, that should not be a part of this or any society.

The fact is that we are all Cali- nam Idaho, which has itself a high Hispanic population. I worked alongside

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Laws go too far

On Tuesday, an anti-abortion group gathered outside the Idaho Commons, protesting the right to have an abortion. The choice to consider an abortion often begins with a baby in the rain, memor- "Witty, sarcastic and churlish, one of the basic rights as intelligent beings."

Also on Tuesday, the Oklahoma legislature overrode Gov. Brad Henry's veto on two abortion measures. Both bills were obviously voted last week, due to what Henry con- sidered flaws, but the legislation thought otherwise.

Other states, including Mis- souri, Louisiana and Alabama, have already anti-abortion legislation that requires women seeking an abortion to have an ultrasound prior to any final decision, but Oklahoma's new bill takes it one step further.

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Laws to be passed, neither major and minor, are just another way of dictating whose rights and whose is right, and how we will have to defend ourselves and our families from being denied the basic freedoms we have here in the United States. The argument is not about the law or the fact that we need to defend ourselves, but about the fact that the law is not just.

— Jeffrey Toth

Laws for the wrong reason

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Weekend

I plan to celebrate the end of a big project through an evening of cooking 3 on high definition television specifically Assen's Cuisine or Food Channel, both of which are one of my very favorite people. And perhaps a favorite of Restaurant Chef, have kept this show in mind and have been won over. It's absolutely perfect to me.

— Eclid

Life imitates art

I've noticed life imitating art lately. For example, the oil spill in the Gulf reminded me of a passage from J.R.R. Tolkien. He wrote, "The disaster proved too greatly and too deep. I find it to be a perfect statement of what is happening to our society today.

— Kelly

What a badass

I see a guy in the back corner of a computer lab sitting intently at his screen wearing headphones. He's into a cool 13 minutes before left his computer to watch Dancing With the Stars. He should've un- plugged the headphones so we could all get in on the cleft actio.

— Kev

Don't make me pull this country over

It's time for the ridiculous rednecks people have been coming up with for the opposition party to party during Dunkin' Donuts, Democrats, ObamaCare, BYR/P ricings and Republican, it's just a little too far from the mean. Dancing With the Stars. He should've un- plugged the headphones so we could all get in on the cleft actio.

— Jake

Palm and HP

I don't get why Hewlett-Packard Co. thinks it's going to win in the middle market, but Palm is not the way you do it.

— Jesse

Useless

The founders have been like 60 straight pones. Josh Berk and John. Lackey have done a thing. It's just a little too far from the mean. Dancing With the Stars. He should've un- plugged the headphones so we could all get in on the cleft actio.

— John

Unemployed

I need a summer job. Any ideas?

— Jeff

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Calling in spirits

Ouija boards: Do they actually work, or is it all hoaxes?

To some, the Ouija board is just a simple board game that’s used for fun, but to others it’s viewed as a dangerous medium for communicating with spirits.

The Ouija board, which can also be referred to as a talking or spirit board, consists of a surfeit board marked with letters, numbers, and symbols that function as an invisible indicator that the spirits spell out their message with.

The group participating sits in a circle in the dark and places their fingers on the indicator. At this point, some people believe others in the group are moving the indicator, not spirits.

When I was younger, my older brother would tell me stories about the board. She said and her friends had played, ending up getting stuck in some place and having to be moved into a nearly ditch.

Later on, we played with the same board until we played them the experience of being the board. We left the board in a ditch near our house, but there is a possibility that the board has been moved, according to my brother.

My instances of in crooked clothing and a black hat walked up and told us it happened like this. We were too scared to open our eyes, my brother was always so terrified by it. He always told us stories like Walmart present day, and I always try to take it to spirit.

The game is around the board with the lights off and playing music. After repeating several times, “In there anybody who wants to speak with us?” the session begins again as they kept plugging in other groups for as long as we all seem we didn’t.

A Ouija board is a game that can supposedly be used with spirits. Some people say that it’s nothing but a game, and others are convinced that it’s real.

Phoebe Read

Close out the year with a hello and goodbye

Blissmore Films

American independent rockers Anberlin and India power pop singer Colbie Caillat will be gracing the University of Idaho with their live performances on May 4 and 5 respectively, in the Kibbie Dome for $12 and $15.

Doors open at 7 p.m., and the bands will take the stage at 8 p.m. for both shows. The concerts are free to Idaho State Nonstudents. Nonstudents can buy tickets at the UI ticket office in the Kibbie Dome or reserve them by calling 208-885-5241 and pick them up at will call. Nonstudents can only buy tickets for both shows at the same time.

There are only 2,000 floor seats available, and a balcony is needed to provide a better view of the stage. Be sure to get to the arena before the doors open at 6 p.m. and make sure that after general seating in the lobby, the rest of the seating can be available. There are no open seating areas for concert goers, but arena seating has been scheduled for this concert.

It is possible that this would be a good way to bring in both bands that people may like a few years ago, but that are still enjoying listening to, and that way we have two diverse target audiences,” said junior Kelley LaRonde, Vandal board chairman.

Anberlin’s music is noted for its hard-hitting electric guitar driving rhythm and heartbreakingly beautiful lyrics. The band has been a consistent hit on the billboard since 2002 and released their most successful album within a year.

The band has a rock sound, and a slight pop feel to some songs, but drummer Nathan Young said in an interview with the Student Media that their new album – due out later this year – will have a darker sound. Their music contains messages about internal struggles such as man versus self, heartbreak and how music can help people through the darkest moments of life.

“I’ve enjoyed a lot of the bands Anberlin has brought in, but Anberlin has been one of my favorite bands since I was a child,” said Kee McClure Morris. “I feel like it’s the concert that I want to be going to and I get to go for free. There is no way I’m missing out. You can look for the next show.”

Electronic pop beats and current rhythms distinguish Helvetica from the rockers of Anberlin, and Colbie Caillat is a hit with her memorable melodies, rapturous vocals, and passion-filled structural melodicity. Helvetica is the music scene for a decade, but did not release their most successful album until 2010.

They signed with Drive-Thru Records to this album and are currently working on releasing their next projects.

“I’m most excited to see hello goodbye because I love their son’s hard-working electric guitar driving rhythm and heartbreakingly beautiful lyrics,” said Sadie Kibbie, a junior at the University of Idaho.

Anberlin will perform May 4 in the Kibbie Dome at 9 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. and tickets are free to students with Vandal ID. Nonstudents can purchase tickets May 5 in the Kibbie Dome at 8 p.m. Doors open at the same time and tickets for nonstudents are $15.

Jake Derow/Appendage

Have your cake and decorate it too

Cake decorating is seen as a new promotion in American culture especially on television. Shows like “Hugs of Cake” and “Cake Boss” depict decorators making outrageous cakes with fondant, often big enough to feed hundreds of people. Fondant is basically sugar and gel, and gives a gummy, tough texture that makes a layer over the cake. Home-decorated cakes are just as good, with traditional icing or frosting making a cake more personal. The Food Network has competed in baking competitions with prizes in excess of $10,000.

See the SHOWS

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“The Book of EJ will be playing at 7 and 9:30 p.m. on May 7 and 8 in the Theater Board to wrap up Finals FEST.”

Entertainment is chosen by students and board meetings. If you have music ideas for PalouseFest in the fall, contact Emily Hites at the Student Media or the Student Center.

The show features a variety of musical acts, and will be held on the UI campus.

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College CooK

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Vandals add gritty forward to roster

Ssy Pichuk

At Argonne The University of Idaho women's basketball team took yet another step toward replacing its graduating seniors and improving on its historic season by adding gritty power forward Ganayee Rogers.

Coach Jim Newlee said Rogers, a 5-foot-8 guard, brings junior college experience, a gritty physical play style and scoring ability, all of which add up to a player who will have an immediate impact on the team.

"We were looking for a player who could bring that experience right away," Newlee said. "We'll see what comes for a spot immediately."

Rogers is transferring from Ohlone Junior College in Fremont, Calif., with three years of experience playing for the Ohlone Renegades. The Renegades compiled a perfect 21-0 record this season, Rogers was a key factor in their second straight national championship.

Rogers, who played basketball for her high school, has her stock steadily rising over her three years at Ohlone.

As a freshman, Rogers averaged 10.4 points, 35.4 percent from the field and established herself as an Ohlone power forward. An injury plagued Rogers during her sophomore year, but she recovered and powered back with a monster season this year, earning the Co-MVP award of the Guard East Region, South Division and being named to the California All-State Team.

"(Rogers) has improved quite a bit in the junior college league," Newlee said. "She's got a very high ceiling at this time."

Rogers is the final piece of the 2010-11 recruiting season, which has the task of building on an impressive season by the Vandals, who started off with a 2-1 record but worked back in the conference season to finish with an even 10-10 record in the conference season. They made history as the only Vandals basketball squad to ever advance out of the first round of the NCAA, conference tournament.

Rogers leads New Mexico State for its first-ever tournament victory. The 2010-11 recruiting class joins a Vandals squad that has lost only two seniors. Charlotte Otey leaves the Vandals after four years of standout play, including averaging close to 40 points per game two years ago, while volleyball star Debbie Doggett, who was brought in on mid-season, will join the Vandals season around, leave the team following a half-season rest.

Idaho retains 85 percent of its scoring and will look forward to seeing Debbie Talamantes, WAC Newcomer of the Year, play two years ago, back on the court at the guard position. Coach Newlee said Talamantes suffered a season-ending injury during pre-season practice.

Overall, Newlee said he is pleased with the recruiting class of 2010-11 and said the team is in good shape for a new season that will hopefully be filled with more success.

"We absolutely addressed every need that we had with this recruiting class." Newlee said. "Ganeyee is the final piece to the Vandals. We have added both size and talent."

Vandal point guard Charlotte Otey dribbles the basketball past Louisiana Tech guard Tianna Phinisee and through the key during second half of play in Cowan Spectrum March 5. Otey was the backbone of the Vandals, playing the majority of every game.

Coach Jim Newlee signed 5-foot-9 power forward Ganayee Rogers from Ohlone Junior College to attempt to replace Otey. Newlee expects Rogers to make an immediate impact with "bough, hard-nosed" play.

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Raise the stakes on hunting

Michael French
Arkansas

Turkey season is in full swing, and the first birds have hit the ground.

Turkey hunting is great for many reasons, but one big reason is the different types of weaponry a hunter can use to take the birds down.

While most people choose to take shotguns with them into the woods, a few like to change the chase with the tried and true stick and string - the bow and arrow.

T he rush from being a fairly easy hunt with a shotgun to being difficult when hunting with archery equipment. The ability of these birds to spot even the slightest movement makes drawing back the bow a rather tricky prospect.

Another difficulty to deal with by the would-be archer is the size of the vitals on a turkey. While a stinging tin with his brothers all pulled up looks like a bump target, the actual size of his body and vitals are roughly a third of what a hunter is seeing, and with archery, accuracy counts.

This means time in the backyard practicing shooting a bow is important. While being accommodating to your weapon is always a must, bow hunting requires the hunter to almost become one with their weapons. The confidence to put an arrow on target, no matter the size, is a major part of being a better hunter.

The tactic for calling, these birds stay the same as if hunting with a shotgun, but the smartest is to take a pop-up blind along. These blinds will conceal almost all movement and give the hunter an opportunity to draw their bow without being seen. Sitting a turkey with archery equipment but without the use of a pop-up blind is an almost unachievable goal.

Once the decision to use archery equipment is made, the hunter must decide where to aim the shot. Are you going to shoot the head in the vital area, or shoot for the heart and lungs?

This can strike some hunters as a surprising question, thinking that the heart of a turkey is far too small to hit with a bow.

In reality, the head of a turkey is a reasonable target. The idea behind this shot is that a hit will drop the bird where it stands, and a miss will cause no ill effect to the bird.

The main-vital shot is a popular choice but requires knowledge of the bird's anatomy and where the portion of vital organs actually are. When you hit one of these birds they are on a streaking bird. A poorly placed shot will almost always result with a body shot and an empty box of arrows as far as possible before finding an area of thick brush.

If you decide to go for the headshot, use the same laws as you would for deer and elk. A high-speed arrow is a must to prevent movement from the target before the arrow arrives. High-speed bows will give more room for error in your judgment.

If the main crossbow is more to your taste, a charge of set-up will be required. Cocking an arrow at 300 yard per second through a turkey will give you a bird, as the turkey usually will even know that it is hurt and will fly away, never to be seen again.

For this reason, a lightweight draw weight and heavier arrows are the way to go. Since we live in Illinois, where exotics are illegal for big game - yes, turkeys are considered big game - you're going to want the biggest broad head you can get to fly straight. By having down your bow and aligning a monster broad head into the bird, you will hopefully not pass through the bird and impair its ability to escape.

However you choose to set your bow up, practice is the most important factor to being a hunter. Practice on或land targets and try to make every shot as through it was only shot at the tail of your dreams. Always wear any and all gear that you will be wearing during your hunt while practicing. This will help you be prepared for any situation.

Practice makes perfect, and when it comes to bow hunting turkeys, it is the single most important factor to success.

Chicago downs Texas

Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

Paul Konerko hit two home runs after the Chicago White Sox took advantage of a wild pitch, two errors and two walks to go ahead in a 7-0 victory Thursday over the Texas Rangers to avoid a three-game sweep.

Konerko tied the majors with 10 homers after hitting a solo drive in the eighth and a two-run shot in the ninth. He also drove in another run with a sacrifice fly.

Rangers starter Scott Feldman pitched the seventh with a two-run lead, but was gone after an error and a walk that gave the Rangers two runners on board.

O'Day (0-1) gave up an RBI single to A.J. Pierzynski and a walk to load the bases before Donäu left the mound for Loe. The two runners scored on a wild pitch hit by the White Sox pinch hitter and went on to score on a wild-globe run.

Konerko hit off Feldman, just clearing the 14-foot wall in left field to make it 5-3. His blast the following inning went to the back of the Rangers bullpen in right center and proved to be the difference after Texas scored twice in the bottom of the ninth off closer Bobby Jenks, making his first appearance since Sunday in a non-save situation.

Only one of the three runs allowed by Carlos Marmol and when closer Mark Melancon made an error threw wide of Nquist negating the point. Pennants rounded second and came home to make it 4-3.

Loe went ahead with a sacrifice fly that scored Pierzynski in the third. Julio Borbon homered into the left-center field gap.

He is 0-2, has a 1.28 ERA and figures to be on the mound against the Savannah Sand Gnats on Friday.

So far, Magnifico has a 2.86 ERA in 19 innings over four games, allowing 18 hits and 15 walks but also striking out 16.

The Rangers hit .298 and now have scored 22 runs in eight games, averaging three runs per game.

Rangers center fielder Josh Hamilton has an 11-game hitting streak, and catcher Alex Rios is hitting .250 with five doubles.
Anthony gets help with Nuggets' win

Amie Stapleton
Associated Press

Camero Anthony got the help he was begging for. J.R. Smith found his long-range touch and the Denver Nuggets avoided elimination with a 116-102 victory over the Utah Jazz on Wednesday night.

The Nuggets, trying to become the first team in four years to overcome a 3-1 deficit in the playoffs, went back to Salt Lake City for Game 6 after Friday night's defeat, in which they saw a 23-point lead in the first half.

Anthony had 26 points and 11 rebounds. Chauncey Billups had 21 points, and Smith made four big 3-pointers among his 17 points for Denver, which won a game in which it was being outrun for the first time since the 1994 Western Conference semifinals against Utah.

After falling behind and in

University of Idaho golfer Brad Tensen practices on the UI Golf Course Monday afternoon. Tensen recently tied for 13th at the Ping Golf Cougar Classic in Utah, leading the Vandals to a sixth-place finish.

The best hunting buddy

Duck hunting is a special activity for many outdoorsmen. It's a time to spend a relaxing day in the outdoors with friends, but there is one important part of the hunt that不能 be ignored: the dog.

If you are looking for a reliable good companion, look no further than the dog. The dog is an essential part of the hunt, not only for the love and passion they bring to the sport, but also for the benefits they can provide.

Danny Introducing the dog to the duck hunting process is important. There are a few important steps to take in training a duck hunting dog. The dog must have a steady and quiet attitude, and must be conditioned to hunting around the duck early every morning. The dog also must be conditioned to running for the duck's light. This is something that cannot be taught in a short amount of time. The dog also must be conditioned to running for the duck's light. This is something that cannot be taught in a short amount of time.

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Vandals tennis player Stanislav Glibiev prepares to return a serve from a Gonzaga Bulldog player April 14 at the courts behind Memorial Gym. The Vandals lost their last match, but have won four of their last five, going into the WAC Tournament in Fresno, Calif., starting today.

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But it hasn't been all roses. For their two impressive wins over UNLV and NMSU, the Vandals dropped three critical matches late in the season.

The first two were to instate rival Boise State, which was ranked No. 32 at the time, at the Boise State University Spring Break Classic. Idaho lost the first match 4-3, and was bounced by Boise in the second match 6-4.

Idaho's third loss came in their final match of the regular season against No. 43 Hawaii, who handily beat the Vandals 6-1.

The season comes full circle for Idaho — their first opponent in the WAC tournament is Nevada, who handed Idaho their season-opening loss back in January.

Beaman is taking the game as an opportunity to see how much the Vandals have grown as a team.

"I am looking forward to our rematch with Nevada in the first round," Beaman said. "We played them first match of the spring and lost — this will be an excellent gauge on how much progress they have made throughout the season."

With the WAC proving to be a tough conference this season and the number of matches to be played in a short amount of time, Beaman said it is key for his players to stay positive.

"Our keys going into the conference tournament are mental toughness and doubles," Beaman said. "If we go into the singles portion of the match down a point, we are digging ourselves a huge hole."

The Vandals face off against Nevada today at 2 p.m. in Fresno, Calif.

**STRETCH from page 9**

The Vandals hope to have better luck at the Oregon Relays this year. Last year, senior jumper Evin Williams won the lone champion for Idaho.

With the Vandals taking home 13 individual medals at the Cougar Invitational last weekend, chances are high for the Vandals to make their mark at Eugene.

This weekend, the team is preparing to Spokane to visit the Community College of Spokane for the second time this year in hopes of continuing their success at the venue. The Vandals visited the Community College of Spokane earlier in the year taking home seven individual titles.

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Game 7 — win or go home. It's the ultimate stage, where suspense shines or fades to obscurity, where heroes are born and legends are made.

No matter the sport, the seventh game is the ultimate form of competition. Hockey fans have been treated to two games this 7's through the first round of the playoffs, and boy, were they exciting.

First, the Red Wings went the distance against the Phoenix Coyotes, coming out on top, and the Washington Capitals laid to the heavily Montreal Canadiens, a match that wasn't decided until the final buzzer sounded. Hockey fans aren't the only ones looking to enjoy some game 7's. For WAC series on the brink of going the distance, fans of basketball are excited to see some game 7 action.

**What makes game 7's so fascinating?**

The finality and the unknown.

Game 7's are the culmination of an entire season. All the hard work, the dedication, the daily plays and long seasons lead up to this one game, with the winner advancing while the loser walks the long, dark tunnel back to the dressing room.

Game 7's have a way of bringing seemingly ordinary players to a level of heroism, habit of turning superhuman — armed with a newfound confidence, and taking out the best in the nation.

The final also brings out the hidden casuals and the strictest atmosphere one can experience without stepping into a lighting storm. Buildings shake from the thunderous roar of the fans as they valiantly cheer on their home team.

In the end, only the best and brightest leave the building knowing their season will continue. The emotion after a game 7 is almost as incredible to witness as the game itself. The silence which falls across an arena when they realize their team will walk first, the fans sitting with their heads in their hands in eerily haunting.

In the end, it's the emotion that makes game 7's the adrenaline rush they are. The fans and players 7's so far, and with luck, we will see many more before the conclusion of basketball and hockey are crowned.

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