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## **Sports Center**

By Isaiah Coles

Perseverance. That is the one word that can solely describe the Huskies. Year after year, every husky team plays with pride and represents our community in the best light. We are proud of our Huskies football and volleyball teams for their perseverance!

With all that being said, we now have winter sports coming up! The men and women's basketball team have their first games on December 3rd in Maupin, both being JV games.

Varsity kicks off December 4th here in Sherman County at the Sherman Invitational. Come out and support your Huskies!



The men's basketball team after winning the Sherman Invitational.

### Riddles & Jokes

By Athena Marvitz

## Q. Where does the snowman keep his money?

A. In the Snow Bank.

# Q. What's a good holiday tip?

A. Never catch snowflakes with your tongue until all the birds have gone south for the winter.

# Q. What do you call a snowman in the summer?

A. A puddle!

## Q. What do you call an old snowman?

A. Water!

Q. What do you get when you cross a snowman and a vampire?

A. Frostbite.

#### December 2015

### **Happy Holidays!**

By Connor Davis

The holidays are coming and people are unpacking the decorations. The family holiday recipes are being dusted off for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner. The trees are being set and ornaments are being hung. This is one of the most wonderful times of the year because of what it is supposed to stand for: a time for family and friends. Another part of Christmas we all enjoy is the time off from school. So get ready, wish someone a Merry Christmas, and have happy holidays.

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#### **NBA Action**

by Isaiah Coles

Here are ten major events that took place in the NBA, dating all the way back to the end of last season.

Note: These are not in any specific order.

- 1. Rockets part ways with Kevin McHale and replace him with Bernie Bickerstaff. 11/18/15
- 2. Tom Thibodeau dismissed as Bulls head coach. 4/28/15
- 3. Four of Portland's starters leave to sign with different teams (LaMarcus, Batum, Matthews and Lopez).
- 4. Steve Kerr undergoes two back surgeries on a herniated disk in his back, leaving him unable to coach the warriors.

  7/28/15 & 10/4/15
- 5. LeBron James becomes the youngest player to score 25,000 points in the National Basketball Association. 11/2/15
- 6. Paul George plays in his first regular season game since breaking his leg. 9/28/15

Cleveland Cavaliers begin the season without Kyrie Irving, and no set return date. 9/27/15

- 7. Raptors set a franchise best 5-0 start to the 2015-2016 season.
- 8. Knicks draft a dominant stretch forward, fourth overall (Kristaps Porzingis). 6/25/15
- 9. Warriors offseason brings every starter/roleplayer back to Golden State excluding David Lee.

**Santas Around the world** By Amy Dabulskis

We all grew up with the American version of the legend of Santa Claus but have you ever heard of some of his foreign counterparts?

Well, here are a few of them in case you haven't heard of them before.

Pere Noel: France's version is like Santa in appearance, but instead of using reindeer he rides a donkey named Gui. Like many other Santa variations, he puts small gifts and candy in shoes that have been placed by the fireplace.



Tomte: The Scandinavian Santa versions are kind little gnome-like people who watch over family farms.

To give gifts; The Tomte actually gives gifts to the children, and does not sneak around when everyone is sleeping.



La Befana: Italy's Santa is a witch-like person similar to our Halloween witches in appearance.

Like Santa she climbs down the chimney and leaves behind gifts for the children.









## **Christmas Around the World**By Athena Marvitz

Christmas is celebrated all around the world, with different customs for every country. Here are a few:

France: In most French homes, a nativity cradle is set out, along with clay figures of Mary, the three wise men and even a butcher, baker and a policeman! French families burn yule logs on Christmas eve, and set out food for Mary and the baby Jesus.



Kazakhstan: Christmas is not celebrated on December 25th like in the US. Instead, Christian families celebrate Christmas on the Sunday before Christmas day. Rather than celebrating Christmas, they celebrate the new year with a New Year tree, a snow father and children get New Year presents! They end up having their own winter celebration.



Switzerland: Most Swiss households have an advent calendar in their windows; this is very important because the first day of advent marks the beginning of the Christmas season.

Many children go "Star Singing", traveling from house to house and caroling with a baby dressed as a star. The baby represents the star that the wise men followed to reach the baby Jesus.



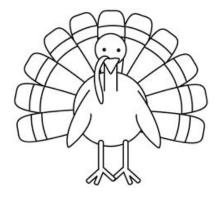
Sweden: In Sweden they celebrate Christmas a lot like here, only with different food. The most important food difference is ham instead of turkey. Children and adults

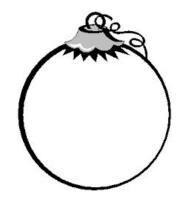
open presents on Christmas Eve, and everyone watches a special TV compilation of Disney movies.

## **Colorings**

Make it shine!







#### **Local and School Events:**

By Ellie Davis and Bailey Gonzalez

#### -Stuff the Bus

Stuff the bus starts on
November 30th and ends
December 11th! For stuff the
bus, we would like to receive
non-perishable food items to
donate. We are also making
this a competition for class
points! The class with the most
cans and other items will
receive an ice cream party!
Don't forget to bring some
cans for a good cause!

#### -The Tree and Wreath Sale

The sophomores at SJSHS are having a Christmas tree sale! The sale starts on December 5th at 8 AM in the high school parking lot. Grand Firs, Noble Firs, and Douglas Firs will be sold starting at \$20 depending on the size. Round wreaths and swags will be sold for \$10, and specialty wreaths will be sold for \$15. The money raised will pay for the trees and the remaining amount will go to the sophomore class fund. Bring your parents to get into the Christmas spirit!

### -Socks for Soldiers

Socks for soldiers is a very important donation event

that will be held throughout
Sherman County. What this
donation calls for is unused
socks to provide soldiers
warmth over the holidays. The
drop off boxes will be held at
the Wasco post office, Moro
post office, Moro bank, Moro
market, SJSHS, Gorge
Outfitter in Rufus, and the
library. Show your support for
our soldiers and make sure to
buy some nice, fluffy socks for
them to have over the winter!

## -Junior Class Candy Cane Sale

This December the junior class is holding a candy cane sale! The profits will go to the prom fund, so don't be shy and send some candy canes to your friends! One candy cane is \$1, and you can write them a little note on the side! The sale will be held from December 1st until the 17th and they will be delivered on the 18th on a half day Friday! Spread some holiday cheer and send someone a candy cane!

## -The Giving Tree

At the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Moro there will be a Giving Tree with tags on it that contains the name and wish list of a little kid. These children may not be able to have an extravagant Christmas that others may have.
Bring your parent(s) and receive a tag to help a child experience a wonderful Christmas.

### -Sherman County Holiday Bazaar

The Sherman County Fair
Board invites you to make it a
day in Moro on December 5<sup>th</sup>!
The Bazaar, a Soup/Dessert
Lunch, Sherman Public/School
Library Book Sale and a
Basketball Tourney from 10am
until 2pm on December 5<sup>th</sup>.
See information and table
vendor form at
shermancountyfairfun.com or
contact Beth at 541-980-1821
of an evening.





Due to lack of participation, the Husky Times poll has been cancelled.

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