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Happy Holidays!

HUSKEY, ROWAN

Winter, the most beloved and Hallmarked time of the year. Most of us here at Cascade will be celebrating Christmas this year, along with the other 95% of America. You might be wondering what the aforementioned 5% does while some drink eggnog and wait for Santa, and it's not as different as you might think. Most winter holidays share a lot of common ground, which a lot of people don't realize. Let's go through some common winter holidays and see what overlaps.

Christmas

Christmas is the most popular holiday/cash cow in the world, and a traditionally Christian holiday. Before Jesus of Nazareth was recognized, mid-winter holidays were still going strong. After Jesus was done roaming the Earth, the Church used Easter as the main holiday to celebrate him and his following. Around the sixth century, the Christians felt the need to celebrate a winter holiday as well and decided to celebrate Christ's birthday on December 25th, which is the same date as the Roman's winter holiday (Saturnalia) that isn't important enough to get its own section. Pope Julius officialized Christmas day in 432 and our beloved holiday was born.

Hanukkah

Although Hanukkah is capitalized similar to Christmas, it's a very minor holiday for Jews. Unlike Christmas and Saturnalia, Hanukkah is a moving holiday spanning eight days (this year falling on the 22nd through the 30th, and last year landing on the 2nd through 10th.) This is because it follows the lunar

calendar, which is also the reason Easter moves. The celebration started after the Jewish people rose up from their oppressors in the Maccabean revolt. They needed light every night for their survival but only had enough oil to keep one night illuminated. The untainted olive oil managed to last them eight nights, which was therefore known as the Hanukkah miracle and was henceforth celebrated yearly.

Yule

Yule, if nothing else, takes the belt as the oldest winter holiday. Traditionally, Yule starts on the winter solstice and continues for the next 11 days. We can thank the Pagans and other Hellenistic worshipers for starting these festivities, which include feasting, burning a sacrificial log, and tying bells to any and everything you can. The idea was to welcome winter and ask the season to be merciful to the people who celebrated her coming. Whether or not winter cared (or had the capacity to care) is up to speculation and superstition, but the festivities are interesting nonetheless.

Kwanzaa

Unlike all previously mentioned holidays, Kwanzaa has been up and operating for only 53 years. Kwanzaa is celebrated on December 26th through January 1st. This holiday was introduced as an alternative Christmas for people of African descent after caucasian citizens expressed disdain over sharing traditions with different races. The founder of the holiday, a man named Karenga, made seven principles for the holiday and declared festivities every year from there on out.

Is it Weird that Santa Breaks Into your House?

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Here's what 60 of our peers have to say:

Kinda weird	30
It's fine	30

"It's like reverse robbery." Said a surprising amount of people.

Cookies For All Ages

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Although we all celebrate in different ways and with different foods, the one thing we all can agree is essential to the holiday spirit is cookies. Sugar, chocolate chip, and anything else you like (with the exception of oatmeal raisin.) We've gathered three cookie recipes for you, yes you, to try out over Christmas break. These recipes come hot out of the preschool kitchen and are ready to go to yours.

Preschooler's #1 Cookie Recipe:

Add powder and stir. Put in the oven for 11 minutes for (REDACTED) degrees. Eat cookies with all frosting and sprinkles. Repeat.

Preschooler's #2 Cookie Recipe:

Make cupcakes. Do not make a turkey. Kill the turkey. Cook turkey for 30 minutes. Cut up, eat up, serve up.

Preschooler's #3 Cookie Recipe:

DO NOT ADD SUGAR. Mix. Cook for two minutes and enjoy.

Senior Send-Off

McFARLANE, ZIYA

Josh Higgins is someone who can be perceived to go with the flow. He goes through life not striving for fame but aiming to do his best. He isn't specifically looking forward to anything after graduation but if something works out for him, he would be ecstatic. He dreams of going to a gunsmith school in Colorado and running a business with his father afterwards. His favorite high school memory has been drama with Mrs. Rankin and the plays he was able to be a part of. On the weekends, he works, plays video games, and cleans his house. If he were able to bring one thing to Cascade, he would want to place a bowling alley with a kids bar. His favorite summer activity over the years has been working trail crew for Tamarack clearing the trail for wild wood lift. Steady flying Josh!

Makayla Mack wants to be remembered for the way she makes people laugh and brighten up when they are feeling down. Her favorite memory is from 7th grade during homecoming week when Rylee had accidentally fallen off the float, Rylee didn't get hurt but everyone was laughing up a storm. Her dream for the future is to go to college, find a good job, move out of Cascade, and start a family in a quality house. For now, she spends her weekends hanging out with her boyfriend or working. In her highschool years, she enjoyed swimming once school got out for summer. She would want to bring engagement to the community of Cascade and encourage kids to appreciate their school and resources. Coincidentally, her senior project deals with increasing school spirit. She's very excited about experiencing change after graduation and taking on whatever obstacles come her way. She advises future seniors to work hard and not let social life get in the way of education. In Makaylas

case, her social life made her education harder to tackle. Best of luck to you Makayla!

Bodie Boyd is an amusing person, and he'd actually like to be remembered for it. Even though he'd like to leave Cascade as soon as he graduates, he would like to bring positivity to the community. One of his favorite memories from high school was when Hunter Moosman had put him in the trash can, but luckily he got out. In the future when he leaves Cascade, he dreams of making a lot of money so that he won't have to worry about finances and can live comfortably. For the meantime, while he is in Cascade, he plays Call of Duty on the weekends, plays lots of basketball, and works. When school is out, he spends his summer hanging out with the boys, whom you may know as Cody, Jacek, Blake, Cruz, and Gary. Good luck Bodie!

Michael Onaindia is a hardworking and dedicated person for both school and sports. His favorite high school memory is from freshman year during the basketball season when the Varsity team was having a team dinner at Jaegers. His dream for the future would be to play professional sports, more specifically, basketball or football. On his weekends, he enjoys taking a load off while watching some sports on his TV, and when he isn't taking it easy, he's busy with his business. During summer break, Michael enjoys driving with the "boys" late at night and basketball tourneys. If he could bring anything to Cascade, he would definitely want to bring a basketball state championship home before he leaves. After graduation, he's looking forward to going on to explore the world, and seeing a new variety of opportunities.

Wrapping up with **Luther Simmons**, as he graduates, he'd like to be remembered for making a difference in

the community and in the world for helping others. His favorite high school memories have been big high school football games. His dream for the future is to get a good paying job, buy a house, and start a family. On his weekends, he goes to Boise or he hangs out with his friends in Cascade. After school, he usually works, hangs out with friends, or do homework. Sometimes, all of the above. After graduation, he's looking forward to a year break before he starts going to trade school.

Mr. Carrion

McFARLANE, ZIYA

This year, we received Mr. Carrion as the head of our IT. He was brought to Cascade about 4 years ago and at first sight he was in love with the town. He had once worked at a previous school so when an opening surfaced at CHS it was a dream come true. He's excited to work the same job he's been doing but in a new environment with the new staff and culture. The school environment is very dynamic is always changing and he's constantly adapting to and learning something new. His work is his passion and quite honestly, he loves it. His plans for the future aren't clear but he does know that he plans to stay here, retire, finish his career and have fun with his grandkids.

Boys Varsity Basketball

12/4 @ Victory Charter: 61-44 W

12/5 @ Cove, OR: 62-28 W

12/7 @ Idaho City: 69-36 W

12/12 @ Home VS Grangeville: 58-63 L

12/17 @ Home VS Four Rivers, OR: 88-23 W

Boys Varsity Team

Blake Thurston	11
Bodie Boyd	12
Evan Dallenbach	11

Michael Onaindia	12
Jacek Jensen	12
Cody Moosman	12
Cruz Duerden	11

***Michael Onaindia has won Idaho Statesman's Athlete of the week, coming in hot with 8,625 votes. Read the Statesman to hear about what Michael has helped our team accomplish this basketball season!

Girls Varsity Basketball

11/18 @ Grangeville: 6-74 L

11/21 @ Home VS Council: 38-32 W

11/22 @ Victory Charter: 38-16 W

12/5 @ Cove: 33-74 L

12/7 @ Idaho City: 40-48 L

12/12 @ Tri-Valley: 22-45 L

12/17 @ Home VS Four Rivers, OR: 65- 19 W

Girls Varsity Team

Lexi Redmon	10
Madison Bartlett	12
Kelsey Oakes	10
Kaity Drury	11
Dakota Kidder-Sears	10
Kyler Nitzel	9
Addie Wegener	11
Katie Arvin	12
Indie Duerden	9

Lunchbox Social

December 20th, the seniors will be hosting Lunchbox Social which entails a group of people bidding on a selection of food. This year, the choices are Chinese, Mexican, Breakfast, and BBQ.

Mexican

- Located at the Cascade Community Church
 - Xbox, board games, and movies.
- Food
 - Quesadillas, Tacos, Enchiladas, Tamales, Guacamole, Rice, and Salsa.
- Drinks
 - Horchata; Mexican Hot Chocolate and soda.
- Dessert
 - Tortilla chips drizzled with chocolate sauce and topped with whipped cream and scones

Chinese

- Located in Ms. Carr's Room 420
- Food
 - Vegetarian dumplings, meat dumplings, pot stickers, stir fry, orange chicken, rice, and chow mein.
- Drinks
 - Water, soda, lemonade, and tea.
- Dessert
 - Rice pudding and fortune cookies.

Breakfast

- Located in room #330
- Food
 - Waffles, biscuits and gravy, quiche, french toast, pancakes, eggs, fruit, bacon, sausage, hash browns, muffins, and doughnuts.
- Beverages
 - Milk, apple juice, orange juice, cranberry juice, and coffee.

BBQ

- Food
 - BBQ Ribs, pulled pork, potato salad, coleslaw, and a variety of chips.
- Drinks
 - Water, juice, soda, etc.

- Dessert
 - Chocolate chip cookies and brownies

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