ASU: budget questions loom

Even the healthy need checkups

Stephanie Hale-Hope

Even a healthy child needs a regular checkup, but lack of health care and the economic situation sometimes contribute to forgoing preventative medical care.

Many problems are preventable

In 2009, Arizona moms and dads, parents, friends, students and teachers, put together the Arizona Health Literacy Collaborative, a group that has worked for years to improve health awareness and health literacy in the state. The group has been able to make strides in improving health literacy, but there is still much work to be done.

High costs and low rankings

It's not just up to the doctors

The Arizona Board of Regents is working to improve health literacy in the state, but the challenge is not without its challenges.

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A Decade's Dreams And Death

A decade's days are dwindling to a picturesque scene.
And the contributions that were made by the students known to mankind at the 1950s will soon be lost in the history of judges.

Before turning the task of evaluation over to this special group of students, the task had to be taken in the fabulous "High."

Among them were faced with a period that could only be described as filled with mythical, fantastical, and beyond the limits of belief.

Finding back the calendar pages, this is what the books show:
Midway through 1950, Americans were usually introduced to a small, Far Eastern country called Korea. The name has not been forgotten, nor will it be for many years to come.

By 1953, a Senate Center Investigating Committee was holding hearings in New York City. The world had slowed down much. Labor was put on review. Television was on its way to maturity with this month's showing.

In Europe, a young woman took the throne of the Great Britain on a February day in 1952. It was called the coronation.

The romance of the decade was centered around a Hollywood aspect that looked like the girl next door and a European name. Grace Kelly married Prince Rainier of Monaco.

In 1956, the FBI solved the Brook's robbery. Everything was planned to run for a second term. Margaret Truman was married, two admirals were placed over the Grand Canyon, the Andrea Doria sunk, and the Republicans were back in the White House.
Biz pulls for local economy

Sarah Iman
Agoura

Local Moscow businesses have formed a network that connects their businesses and encourages residents to purchase gifts and items locally instead of online or out of town.

Buy Local Moscow is a non-profit organization supported by the American Independent Business Alliance, started three years ago after a group of local business owners decided to jointly address their need as independent business owners.

Hypersport owner John Crock is among the founding members of the group.

"The idea was to form a group of like-minded people to work with other local businesses, said Crock, Buy Local Moscow's treasurer. "As small-business owners, we do everything our selves. We have a nice downtown and want to promote the diversity of businesses."

Buy Local-attached businesses must be within Moscow city limits and must have 51 percent of its ownership within the Palouse region.

We don't allow franchises to be members because they have corporate structures, Crock said. I don't think the Franchise Chamber can serve the Buy Local program. We are not trying to discourage people shop ping at franchises, just show people that they have options.

Buy Local Moscow now has a membership of 100 local businesses. The network's mission is to strengthen the social and economic framework of Moscow by supporting locally owned businesses and educating the public about the importance of local businesses.

"One way to help the economy," Crock said, "is for people to spend their money locally."

"Buy Local Moscow also serves as a support group for owners and offers incentives such as a cheaper way for businesses to advertise."

One event the organization held this year encouraged patronage of local stores with the help of local business owners in advertising. Eligible shoppers had a chance to win an assortment of prizes donated by local businesses, with a maximum of one prize per person. The winners were drawn at the end of the show during which the winners were surprised with the many prizes they won.

They had no idea what was in store for them.

The local network is also involved with other organizations, including the Latah Trail Foundation and the Latah Hampton International Jazz Festival.

When people don't try to purchase locally, they miss the atmosphere of the shops and the connection with people in the shops, Crock said. "People forget that if you don't give back and buy locally, that local businesses won't be around anymore."
Russian delegation visits UI

Foreign journalists get a slice of academic and professional journalism, American-style

Tanya Edlise
Agenda

A unique opportunity presented itself when media experts from Moscow, Russia, came to the University of Idaho to learn about student life on campus and receive an inside look at a segment of the American education system.

The Russian delegation included members of the media, including journalists from the Center of Journalistic Education, the daily newspaper "Vostok" and the weekly "SRBO-13." The delegation was led by Margin Kazantsev, the executive secretary for communications in the Russian Federation, who engaged in journalistic and professional discussions with faculty and students.

The journalists met with UI journalism faculty and participated in a campus tour. They also attended classes, visited the student center and met with student leaders.

Russian journalists expressed their interest in American-style journalism and their desire to share their experiences with their own colleagues.

Kazantsev said that this was a very popular subject in Russia at the moment and that the issues of Afghanistan and Iraq are on the world's agenda.

Russian journalists and journalism students involved in the delegation addressed the question of how to disseminate more stories about Afghanistan to the Russian public.

Kazantsev said, "We are in a very positive moment in Russia at the moment. We are eager to exchange experiences with our American colleagues and to improve our journalism practices."
Objectifying women?

Women’s Center takes issue with poster

Kelsie Mosley
Arizonan

Nearly a dozen people attended a meeting held in the Women’s Center Tuesday evening to discuss the issues surrounding the poster used to promote a World AIDS Week event. Rebekah Armstrong, an openly lesbian former playboy model who attends University of Idaho, spoke briefly about her decision. Women’s Center staff said they felt the poster objectified Armstrong in an effort to attract people to the speech, and the image on the poster was offensive and could have possibly made the environment for students uncomfortab

Kelsie Mosley

The Women’s Center discussed this poster, featuring an HIV-positive former playboy model Rebekah Armstrong, during a meeting Tuesday. After being displayed in the Idaho Commons, the poster was covered with stickers saying, “This insults women,” which subsequently had statements such as, “No, it doesn’t” and “Close this up, it doesn’t shut you up,” written on them.

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Changing lives from Taiwan to Moscow

Ashley Centers

Taiwan and Idaho are worlds apart. Sophia Tsai, a 20-year-old political science student, has lived in both. Whatever her future may bring, she feels it was worth it.

Four years ago, Tsai, born and raised in Taiwan, was accepted to Boise State University. Since then she has lived in Idaho, a state far from her home. Tsai said that she chose to stay in Boise because it was a safer place and a welcoming environment for students.

"Living in Idaho has been relatively safe," said Tsai. "My experience here has been positive overall, and I feel that the university community is very supportive of students."

Tsai said that while she enjoys the university life, she misses the culture and food of Taiwan. She said that one of the things she misses the most is the different types of cuisine available.

"Taiwanese food is very unique and flavorful," said Tsai. "I miss trying new dishes and the variety of food available in Taiwan."

Tsai's advice for students who are considering going abroad is to take advantage of the opportunities available.

"Take advantage of all the resources and opportunities available on campus," said Tsai. "There are so many things to do and see, and it's a great opportunity to explore new cultures and meet new people."
Dance team denied funding

Kayla Hermann
Agassiz

Of nine universities in the Western Athletic Conference, eight have an official dance team — all but the University of Idaho.

Until last year, the Idaho dance team was recognized as part of the spirit squad, with cheerleaders and Joe Vardar. However, citing financial limitations, the Dean of Students' staff could not fund the team this year.

"Spring semester of 2009 we were penciled... a coach and a team for the following year," said Jenna Moe, a dance team member. "That promise was kept."
No excuse to vandalize

Better options to get point across than to deface property

Posters for ex-Playboy Playmate Rebekka Armstrong’s speech about being high-maintenance were attached to her by the Associated Students. After the poster was displayed in the Idaho Commons, the photo was shown in a TV stickering of what’s worse: possibly degrading women or vandalizing property.

Whether or not the image was degrading to women, there is no excuse to vandalize public property.

This semester, a secular humanist billboard was vandalized. The view expressed in this section, except those in the above editorial and the cartoons below, are of the respective authors only.

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The d'Alene

An undemocracy

Well, the U.S. Senate's version of the Bush-era USA Patriot Act — that is, the amendment that would effectively remove erosion coverage from any health care plans — passed through Congress this week.

The university, by the way, the Tribune is backed by the great powers of England, where the only difference is the language and the medieval Scottish titles. When mapping national and natural wonders is certainly an admirable cause, one can't help but worry about this con-ceptually proving every city alley in America.


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Winter holiday side effects

What to expect this holiday season

The holiday season is upon us, and that means all kinds of well. Let’s talk about side effects. There is a commercial on TV right now meant to promote a certain sleep aid drug that is very unnatural to any user, a little at an other and ends on a high note, with everything being right again in the world. What I imagine a commercial for this drug might be like, complete with the very, very large of common side effects. Modifying the list for the commercial slightly, I have put together a list of holiday side effects, divided by event, which I imagine may be experienced by more than one person:

Holiday meals

Daytime dizziness — This side effect usually occurs in several minutes after leaving your house for short amounts of time.

Binge eating — This is by far the most common side effect of the holidays. This may be more pronounced if you are partaking in another side-effect of the holidays (see depression).

Nausea — Most noticeable after finishing your plates to accommodate the extra intake of food. Sometimes nausea is not large enough, and you may vomit before you can even finish your meal.

Constipation — This might cause you to feel very bad after eating too many sweets and not partaking of any greens or fresh vegetables (aka buffet table). These might include any type of food, such as most mixed nuts (precaution — I have a bottom in the peanut).

Sedentary — This usually occurs several hours after the meal and is most often accom-
ppanied by the covering of all the other side effects of the holidays over.

Family get-togethers

Difficulties with con-

sideration and speech — These two enormous side effects might be hard and may be experi-
enced in a few of your closest family members, who may be eating too many of Aunt Louis’s Run bulls.

Anxiety — Can accompany holiday get-togethers with any family or friends, but is more common with in-laws, parents of your girlfriend or boyfriend, and just knowing you will have to deal with them for the holidays. It occurs even more so in Aunt Louise’s Run bulls.

Confusion — Usually brought on by the lack of necessary members you don’t remember ever meeting, but they all seem to remember all the most embarrassing times of your childhood.

Depression — While this may not seem like a holiday effect, it is most pronounced the second week of Christmas. You may be forced to sit at the dinner table, open presents, and accept your emo-
tional state, while your emo-
tional state is not up to par.

Mudslide — In addition, you may find yourself having to bring her back again, off again, with all the muddy pleasures of the adult table.

Violence — Either induced by using tens of overwhelming holiday spirit or the trees of boredom after hear-
ing Uncle Retford tell the story of losing the tips of both his pinkey fingers 20 years ago.

Religious church celebrations

Memory problems — Occurs when you are asked to recite the lord’s prayers. "In so many of the events, you have probably had not the opportunity or motivation to go to the gym, which is why this side effect is most common dur-
ing religious celebrations where you may be required to get on and off your knees constantly and shake hands with neighbors.

Disorientation — This is seen in people who attend services only during the holidays, often with long periods of time in be-
tween. Upon entering the church, you may become confused, unsure as you actually are in the right place.

Halitosis — Refer to Dickens “A Christmas Carol.”

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Jesuism's knock-off handbags

An odd twist in the death of journalism in America has seen outlets such as TMZ gain credence as reputable news sources. This is ironic and somewhat given the nature of both. Journalism in America is probably the last thing that one would consider to be defunct, but in no way, shape, or form should the newfound blog media be considered traditional journalism. Each plays by a different set of rules and is held to a different set of standards.

The Tiger Woods scandal is the perfect example of this. Traditional journalism would have come under fire for being slave and unrepresentative. TMZ, on the other hand, has some very relevant information. If we were to establish the smallest hint of malinformation, it is grounds for dismissal. It takes time for facts to get fed to legitimate sources.

When TMZ and other new media outlets did not see as journalists, but they have continued to successfully report news in a timely fashion. This has led to the notion that they are on par with traditional news outlets despite the fact for every incorrect piece of news published an incorrect one is also published.

In Naples, Italy, vendors will knock-off designer handbags on every sidewalk and continue to profit. It is rather tough to tell the fraudulent bags from their Louis Vuitton and Dolce and Gabbana counterparts. At least, it is for a man with little handbag expertise. While the fake bags look good to start with, in a month or so they will fall apart, leaving the buyer with egg on his face. The fake bag and the real bag may appear similar but it would be impossible to hold them to the same standards.

If an authentic high-end handbag fell apart after a month, the buyer would be entitled to a replacement and the maker would have some questions to answer. People should not expect the quality of the authentic handbag at the price of the fake. That is exactly what people are doing with traditional journalism. There is a desire for a quick, almost recklessness, release of news but with the same credibility of old. That request is simply not feasible.

This is not to say the new media report does not have a place or traditional journalism cannot learn from them. Unlike the designer handbag market, traditional journalism is not a business that can be run by anyone, anyone, to pay attention.

People pay attention to new media reporting but it is important to note that it is not journalism. It may appear as journalism but, like the fake handbag, is more likely to fall apart. Journalism in America needs to change, but it cannot alter the commitment it has to truth. It is to die fake handbags and useless media, but just cannot place the value on the authentic version.

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Beyond Nativities

At this time of year, all of us, living here or who do not consider themselves religious, are likely to read or hear the nativity story at least once. Whether we believe the Biblical account to be powerful and true or just a piece of art and symbolic, or contrived, the story is superbly, it is without a doubt, the most told story of the season.

Most are probably familiar with the characters and key events those who have watched Christmas plays year after year. Household nativity scenes may be peripherally familiar. Unlike the designer handbag market, traditional journalism is run by an entity, a corporation, and like they were written by a talented designer (Martin), and a doctor (Luka), not by a cheap knock-off or spurious gift. It is rare that there are many myths from cultures around the world, and written by a group who becomes a meta-narrative. This only makes the historical accuracy of the story all the more so. L.S. Reid, member of the Department of Literature at Oxford, said he had dismissed the stories about Jesus as just another of the dying old myths which were so common, and when he read the New Testament for the first time, he was shocked to find that it was written not as a myth, but as a history — the author has even stated that they believed that they were events they were writing about.

Lewis says he then realized that all these other myths may be foreboding, pointing ahead to the moment when the event actually happened, when myth became fact. The Jews, however, had created many mythical backgrounds to their names, and in the Gospel when they simply exclaimed, in a straightforward fashion, 'they were witnessed.' They may seem as surprising as any other.

However, the nativity is just the beginning, if we consider the event, we begin to discover the incredible meaning of the event. We discover that it is God's way of making him a relation to us. And so, we gather around Him as He transforms us into what we were meant to be: creatures of unimaginable beauty, power, and love, enabled to enjoy him forever.

Jesus coming to earth in the name of God, the first step. God becomes a man in order to bring mankind back to God. This is an event of the nature of war, to restore to man in all glory the loss of Eden. In the process of drawing us into His light, to restore to His light, to destroy the dark, and to cleanse, the true image of the Christmas celebration is not the nativity, but the return of Christ, Jesus as the myths of the dying gods were dying, foreboding the event of the nativity. The nativity itself is a glimpse, foretelling the coming and saving of God, appearing not as a child, but as the ruler of the universe. It is beautiful and full of potential, and we are stretching and the present to bring to the true fulfillment and meaning of the event. When we begin to understand this, I think it will be possible for us, as Christians who are always looking for the "true meaning of Christmas," to understand that the coming of Christ is not to require收购 than the picture, it is to lose the whole thing, it is to miss the purpose not just of the season, but of life.

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The key image of the Christmas celebration is not the nativity, but the return of Christ.
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stared herself, had sex while a friend was looking, and then became a Playboy model. Annoyingly, the
exploitive and objectifying campaign strategy is part of something that is exploitative damage to young women, but now under the pretense of a different cause.

Dad's buy it, and I know there are other intel-
ligent young women on campus who don't either.

Only Joke.

Jenifer, French, English and Anthropology

Parking woes

The 2003 results of the City of Moscow's Citizens Survey show that the amount of available
parking received 93 not at 106 points from respondents.

My sister reported a parking ticket after hear-
ing cat in downtown Moscow overnight. This
wasn't the first time she's been ticketed for this rea-
son, and I've read the same experience more than once.

The exact violation is "3 a.m. 6 a.m. zone and
the fine is $23.

My sister and I don't live within walking dis-
tance of downtown, so one of us usually drives with
go to the bar. I liked to think this in the car, but
they never be as expen-
sive as the possibility of a DUS - the fine itself can be up to $100.

The Moscow Police Department will not be ticketing people for

leaving their cars parked overnight between 3 and 6 a.m. It just doesn't make
sense. It's if they're encouraging people to
drive home from the bars, knowing that the over-
whelming majority will be over the legal blood-
 alcohol content limit.

Section 5.4-B of the City of Moscow Ordinance,
Title II-Traffic, states, "a downtown zone which
parking between the hours of 3 a.m. and 6 a.m. is hereby established. It shall be unlawful for any
person to park a vehicle on a public street within said
downtown area during the hours of 3 a.m. to 6 a.m."
(These hours) on any day.

Admitted Chief David Duke informed me that parking is prohibited dur-
ing these hours to give the city a chance to clean up
the streets. I wandered down street cleaning easily
so every morning! And it's really more important than keeping drunk
teenagers from driving.

He also told me where he believed all-night pack-
ing is allowed. After leaving the
emergency department, I went to find this holy
grail parking space between Washing-
town and Main St. and I was in
in full. These parks

are spread around the

main points, all occupied on Friday and Saturday nights, leaving everyone else with the option of either
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Front Row

Inking the meaning of life

Jennifer Schenck

By just looking at her, you can’t tell what her dreams and aspirations are. But on the small of her back, there is a tattoo she filled in with black and white ink. The meaning of the words she places on it and the path she wishes to travel.

Megan Kimbrell, a sophomore at the University of Idaho, Idaho, got her first tattoo when she was only a sophomore in college.

In high school, getting a tattoo was something the school has always deemed a part of an adult’s life. But Kimbrell said she felt like she wasn’t ready, until one day she was.

For the small town of

Holiday concert not in Kibbie Dome

Kiele Moesely

This year’s Lionel Hampton School of Music Holiday Concert will be held at Moscow Junior High School instead of the Kibbie Dome.

David Bukvich, a music professor and director of UI’s jazz choir, said the move was partially due to the economy and partially because of the changes.

“A local expense conference for a variety of reasons,” Bukvich said.

UI’s students, however, were not as pleased with the idea. SomeUI students said they may not attend the concert.

“Advice to others: Pay attention to your instructors!” UI sophomore Jake Newton said.

“Don’t Shoot Me Santa” – The Killers

This song, the latest single and has been around for the past few years. It’s The Killers’ usual style, similar to the one in their “Sam’s Town” album. Lead singer, Brandon Flowers is singing with emotion for Santa for his life. The music video makes it a better

Nontraditional holiday songs

“Santa Stole My Girlfriend” – The Maine

This song came out last year when the album was released during the holiday season. The song is great all year, but it is even better this time of year. It’s a letter song about how the lead singer’s girlfriend left him for Santa. “Please come back home and leave that man alone.”

“Don’t Shoot Me Santa” – The Killers

This song is classic and has been around for the past few years. It’s The Killers’ usual style, similar to the one in their “Sam’s Town” album. Lead singer, Brandon Flowers is singing with emotion for Santa for his life. The music video makes it a better

“Winter Passing” – The Academy

This song is another song about missing someone at the holidays. It is a mellow tune than the Motion City Soundtrack, but not much. “It’s hard to face the holidays with the words to say.” It’s a nice holiday song but again, not one to play for a pick-me-up.

“Making Christmas (Nightmare Before Christmas)” – Rise Against

This is the perfect song for anyone who loved “The Nightmare Before Christmas” or who love “Rise Against.” It slightly follows the soundtrack for the movie, including Jack gnawing instructions in how to “make Christmas.” But with “Rise Against’s” flair, it has a harder melody but equally beautiful harmonies.

On November 10, 2009, the University of Idaho Jazz Choir will be performing for the Holiday Concert in the Kibbie Dome Dec. 10, 2009.

The Field House of the Junior high has long been the concert quotePUZZLE

Matt Adams-Wenger

Here are some famous movie quotes, rewored to sound like a Jazz lyric.

“By honest, my fair lady, I can’t be moved to have an em- phatic rehearsal.”

“The many mysterious moments of the eternal plane accompany you.”

“His plan is to present the oppo- nency with a proposal to which he is eager.”

“Present me with the legally nec- essary information, and I’ll receive with appreciation.”

“I won’t be disturbed by the rec- orded or unrecorded information you have provided.”

“Don’t get in the way of the completed or uncompleted and determine your destination.”

“Rarely, I understood the meanings of humanism who no longer show the same planes as we.”

“Encryption is similar to an assort- ment of computers, in that one can never be sure what combinations he or she will have in his or her assort- ment.”

“Present hallucinations to your elimina- tory companion.”

“I detect a certain yearning, a yearning for a world unseen and the chemical of the flesh and the tissue.”

“Together We’ll Ring in the New Year” – Motion City Soundtrack

This is one of the more popular songs on this holiday. It’s even enough for the Motion City Soundtrack. It’s
Penissile giving
Homemade gifts your way, and for cheap

Some people think that the cost of a gift is not what is important, and that what really matters is the thought behind it. As college students with limited resources, buying gifts for friends and family during the holidays might not be an option. Hoping that your friends and family adhere to the saying above, give them some gifts that may require a little work, but won't cost you much, if anything. Using your imagination and items you find around your apartment or dorm room, you can create some homemade gifts that could either impress the recipient or have them hoping they don't draw your name next year.

Cliché college classics
If you want to appear to be domestic, the best homemade gifts are always food. It's all in the packaging. Try removing the meme-ized phrases from the chocolate bars and replace them with your favorite brand of Mac 'n' Cheese. Place them in some fancy packaging, add a little shredded cheese to the top, create a piece of art with the box and colored pencils. It may not be a Master, but it will definitely improve the gift and the label. They might not even know your name. Beer and soda tabs can be transformed into bookmarks and so on - you will make your book as unique and green thinking gift while. This is a pretty low skill and time, tabs can be transformed into bookmarks, brooches, wallets and even dresses.

Box it up
Give a gift to have, but don't want to spend more on it. Make your own oranges from old of magazines. Depending on the magazine, the box may be pretty enough to stand on its own. Print the entire page to recreate a gift box. If you are not too careful this holiday season, the box could be the gift itself, something for the recipient to use to hold important items or to keep space change.

Warm gifts
For your family and friends in the Northwest, or anywhere equally as cold, you want to provide a gift of warmth. Not with a blanket or a pair of socks that cost $4.99, but something they could start to the fireplace. These easy to make gifts aren't only functional, but they are also attractive. Line an empty toilet paper roll, fill with the coziest socks you can find. The most basic. Then roll the tissue holder in a sheet of wrapping paper, tie the ends on.

HILARIOUS HYPNOTISM

Magician/hypnotist/comedian Kevin Hurley has volunteers undergird for being undergar. Come on people on the most wanted and drinks virgin colsolates all night.

This week in Hollywood
Tiger the pimp
A second porn star has been added to Tiger Woods’ list of mistresses, bringing his total up to 13. A sports blog is reporting that the golfer has a heavily affair with the big-boned post- nfl star Jelani James during his visits to Las Vegas. However, Woods has not confirmed the claim - big surprise, eh?

Rihanna's backw ard tan
Rihanna got her life motto mended on her chest ... backward. It reads, "Never a failure, always a lesson." She said she got this way so she can read it when she looks in the mirror. How clever.

Khloe preggo?
Khloe Kardashian is denying pregnancy rumors. Thank goodie, because do you know how hard it is to raise kids in today’s marriage? Really, really hard.

Lindsay lends a hand
Lindsay Lohan is in India to take part in a documentary about human trafficking. Because you know, she’s an expert in the suffering of women and children in impoverished countries.

Miley's clubbing attempts
Miley Cyrus was reportedly destined to be a club kid. Miley Cyrus was a big fan for being undergar. Come on people on the most wanted and drinks virgin colsolates all night.

Shut up, and go back to Alaska
Levi Johnston, Bristol Palin’s ex-boyfriend, said he was com- fortable with being a gay icon and that he was never against any gay people in Alaska. Now there’s a guy who’s comfortable with his sexuality and be- ing open.

Gosselin kids a wreck
Kate Gosselin said her eight children aren’t doing too well now that they’re off-camera. She said she picked them up from school and they were all sobbing because they missed her, but if you do miss them, they were the only normal adults around the set.
Easy cookies for a signature holiday

Christmas is not complete with out sugar cookie. I always make the cookies with my grandchildren during the holidays. It is an yearly ritual to make the rich dough, roll it out and cut the light shapes of Christmas trees, ornaments and snowmen.

Through my mother’s farm, Grandma j, my father’s side of the family is Christian. Baking cookies was my grandfather’s secular way of sharing the Christmas season with me. These cookies are rolled out and cut. If you prefer deep cookies, bake rounded impressions of the dough and roll it in a ball, placing them two inches apart on the cookie sheet to allow for spreading.

Many of my grandmother’s cookie cutters are heirlooms, handed down from her family. If you do not have such a wide array of cutters available, head over to Tri-State, which carries a huge selection of holiday cookie cutters this time of year. Pick up other cookie accoutrements as well, like baking sheets and silicone-baked mats. Bake until a crisp crust on without Tofeln, which can cause

cookies to burn on the bottom.

Make sure to wait until the cookies are cool before you start decorating. If you decorate while the cookies are still warm, the frosting will melt. Speed up the cooling process by removing the cookies from the oven and placing them on a wire rack. This provides airflow, which is necessary for quick cooling.

Rolled sugar is a good choice for frosting sugar cookies. The glossy icing of the 1920s will alway supers to stick, but it can have a bitter flavor. Try a basic butter cream for a rich frosting that will harden but still taste good. Making your own sprinkles is easy. Simply put a powdered amount of sugar in a plastic sandwich bag along with a few drops of food coloring. Shake to combine and you have colorful sprinkles in a custom shade. Store the sprinkles in an airtight container or bag for best results.

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Naughty or nice?

Lauren Paterson
Arts

Who gets the sweets and who gets the switch? University of Idaho students get real about what they're actually hoping for this holiday season by bringing in their own wish list.

Christine Lockner, junior, Foreign languages and literature.

"Because I've been nice." 

Christmas wish: "A Nigerian family that meets every day to discuss what they're eating." 

Kevin Cleon, junior, Plant Soil and Entomological Science.

"To have the best friend's cat's ear. It's really nice." 

Emily Williams, junior, Jurisprudence and instruction.

"I wish my life almost every day." 

Christmas wish: "A Wii Fit, so I can live long." 

Katherine Dillon, junior, Architecture and Interior Design.

"I wish I haven't broken into any houses or apartments, or stolen anyone's but yet this year." 

Christmas wish: "A mini computer or GPS." 

Hannah Hart, junior, Curriculum and instruction.

NAUGHTY - Why? 

"Because being naughty is more fun." 

Christmas wish: "Better grades next semester to make up for being naughty." 

Clare Paterson, freshman, General Studies.

NAUGHTY - Why? 

"My dorm is never clean." 

Christmas wish: "A yoghurt that lights up." 

Wolf's best album to date

Chase Thomas
Arts

Patrick Wolf is kind of ridiculous. He changes his hair color every time he releases an album. He gets into fights with bouncers. He wears elaborate costumes and gets Tilda Swinton to do guest vocals on various songs. At the same time, he is down to earth. The Bachelor, Wolf's seventh album, is like his third album, The Magic Poet, in that he is both hip and quirky. Wolf has written two songs about his favorite band, The Smashing Pumpkins. He is working on a new album that he plans to release in the spring. Wolf has been working with a variety of artists, including Beck, The National, and The Black Keys. Wolf's music is very catchy and it's easy to get lost in the rhythm. Wolf's best album is "Better," released in 2007. Wolf's music is a perfect blend of indie and alternative rock. Wolf's music is very catchy and it's easy to get lost in the rhythm. Wolf's best album is "Better," released in 2007. Wolf's music is a perfect blend of indie and alternative rock.

DELTA SIGMA PHI CONGRATULATES:
Tom Racine

Racine has been a member of Delta Sigma Phi for three years. He has been an active member of the fraternity, participating in many of its events and activities. He has also been a leader in the community, volunteering for local charities and organizations. Racine is a great example of what a Delta Sigma Phi fraternity brother should be. He is always willing to help others and is dedicated to making the world a better place. He is a true leader and a role model for all of us. Congratulations, Tom Racine! You are truly a Delta Sigma Phi Brother.

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Disappointment in Pullman

Lack of energy among starters, bench leaves Don Verlin embarrassed over loss

Jennifer Schlake
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With the official announcement of the Idaho Vandals' first bowl game since 1998, all of Vandals' nation is looking forward to participating in the Humanitarian Bowl on Dec. 31. However, for the Idaho Vandals' first bowl game ever, 11-0, against the Washington State Cougars, the game is not all fun and games. The pressure is on for this team to deliver big on and off the field. Bowl Green is coming off a four-game winning streak that got the school into the bowl picture, while the Vandals have lost three out of their last four games.

The success or failure of Idaho at the Humanitarian Bowl, however, won't be measured in its on-the-field results. What Idaho must do, quite simply, is win, for the school is no longer just a college football program, but one that is on the rise. Idaho has shot up into the polls since opening the season against Cal Poly (5-3) in San Diego on Saturday, Nov. 1. Idaho has since won its next three games, including a 35-14 win over the powerful Portland State Vikings, and has moved to 7-5 on the season.

The game could well prove to be a turning point in the Vandals' season. "We need to get some momentum now," Idaho coach Al Groff said. "The game against Portland last Thursday, was a morale booster for the team. It was a great win for us, and it will help us get ready for the next game against the Cougars." Groff said.

The Vandals are looking to end their season on a high note, and with a win against the Cougars, they will be one step closer to achieving their goal. The game is set to be played on Saturday, Dec. 31, at the Humanitarian Bowl in Phoenix, Ariz. It will be the first time that Idaho has played in a bowl game since 1998, and the team is eager to make a statement on the national stage.

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What seemed to be a quick first half (13-0) for the Vandals turned into a nightmare for Idaho State (5-5) men's basketball team with a loss tonight against the Washington State University Cougars (7-5) only turned into disappointment for Idaho State coach Don Verlin.

"I thought they were prepared better, I thought they played harder," Verlin said. "We were much more prepared than our basketball team tonight." Verlin said.

Although the score remained the same, Idaho grabbed the early 13-0 lead in the first quarter against the Cougars. Idaho led 13-0, but the Cougars went on a scoring run to widen the gap just a little bit. "I don't think we expect a lot of people to win tonight," Verlin said. "We didn't compete from the start." Verlin said.

A key for Idaho was to shut down WSU's Klay Thompson on defense from the game against Portland last Thursday. Idaho could have been successful in this task, but Verlin said the Vandals' defense has been inconsistent in recent games. "I think we played horrible on defense," Verlin said. "It's supposed to be about turnovers and winning the game, but we turned the ball over 25 times against Washington State." Verlin said.

Football

No settling

Akey turns season into a success, talks of improvement for next year

Jennifer Schlake
Agganiz

When Idaho Vandals football coach Rob Akey looked over the Sun-Times at the first half of practice, he saw something different. He saw size, speed, intensity — all the things a coach needs for a winner.

Akey said he was going to be the season the team was going to be great, and from the first practice on, the team would feel good about themselves. Idaho scored 21 points to 14 against the Argonauts, and Akey said the game "wasn't as close as it looked." Akey said.

Akey was pleased with the team's performance, and said he was happy with the progress the team has made this season. "I'm looking forward to the next game," Akey said. "We have a lot of work to do, but we're making progress." Akey said.

Bowl game comes with responsibility

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Swimmers
completed
their
season as the
University of Arizona swim
team begins the toughest
day of their
season.
During winter break, Idaho
Swim will face New Mexico State and
Northern Arizona. The team
will also reach the height of
their training and try to peak
their level of physical
during break.
The team will finish out the
season like any other students
focusing on finals, papers and
projects and finally they will
got to take a ten day break to
go home for the holidays then return
— ready to train.
"It's going to be an
tenacious two weeks," coach
Drew Devine said. "If we
play the way we're capable of
things we will be doing well increase our
confidence.
Idaho will be down at
Arizona December 18th and
19th. "It is a time for overseas
teaching for Grandpa and
they will be working on details and
draws and things, but it is
all about finishing races."
Devine will be two
opponents over break. They
face the New Mexico State
Aguiles on January 2
and Northern Arizona
University on January 4. Jager said he
expects both teams to be
for Arizona.
NAU has been at the top
of the MAC for the last three
years but has lost to Wash-
ington State, Boise State and
Northern Colorado this year.
New Mexico State has had a
winning season so far for this
year and has a 4-6 record. But its record also shows that they have had, more
more than the 3-0 Vandal, meaning
any more practice.
Although the Vandals have some tough competition
ahead of them, the team
is really coming together.
Jager said.
"The team is a
hard working group that
to train and he feels is ready
for the lit practices that will be
appearing next few days. He
said this season's team is one
of the best-conditioned and
his team has coached at UI.
The team has put in time
and it is now time to
turn up the intensity and
push themselves this
season.
"We've made a lot of progress,
but we will have things to
improve," Jager said. "But it's
hard not to have the ball moving forward."

A member of the University of Idaho swim team practices the butterfly stroke Wednesday in the UI Swim Center.

Behind the Curtain wall
Lise Short

As fans filled out of the
Kibbie Dome on Saturday, many
people in the football,
baseball and soccer
community came out to watch
the Wolfpack.

The Curtain wall is
part of the larger
project to improve
the student-
and fan experience.

The area seats 7,000
people in stands surrounded
by 515 linear feet of
curtains. Scoreboards hang in
front of the curtains and
the lighting gives the
court a "spotlight" effect.

It takes a group of
around 12 people five
to six days to set up the area.
The first step is removing
the turf which takes two to
three hours and halving
the size of the court.

The next day to day
and a half is spent putting
up the frame work including
the lights and rear
curtain trusses.

The crew then assem-
ble the court and put up the
defense of the tables, the
sitting and the stands.

Throughout the season
there are seven times that all
four areas are used. Men's
and women's base-
ball, track and
field, women's and
the football team use the
Kibbie Dome floor.
The Curtain wall is still
in place for the other
teams to operate around.

The Beachers return
and begin practicing on the
Curtain wall. The track
and field team uses
almost the north half of
the Dome, but the track
and field team use the
Curtain wall.

The basketball teams
move back and forth from
Memorial Gym to the
Curtain wall. Verlin said
the teams like both facilities
but enjoy the amount of
curtains that can fit in the
Curtain wall.

"Being able to house
more fans and more stu-
dents is great," Verlin said.

Verlin said it is a great
complement for thefootball
team. "It's nice to have a
bowl game so the team doesn't
miss out on games and we
finish from Memorial Gym to the
Curtain wall, and he said the
team plays well in both of
the venues.

Idaho does have some
advantages playing in the
curtain wall.

"It's a unique facility
that allows us to sell more
tickets and seat more
fans," Devine said.

Kibbie Dome Manager

Drew Devine said,
"It's a unique facility
that allows us to
sell more tickets and seat
more fans."
Offseason outlook: the biggest stories in MLB

The big free agent catches

This year’s free agent crop isevaluate at best. Last year at this time a star in CC Sabathia and a star caliber in his prime, Matt Holliday. Beyond that, there were numerous other catcher, but no really effec-

tive players.

Instead of the glut of talent last year, the best names on the open market this offseason are Matt Holliday, John Lackey and Jason Bay. Holliday was a Ted Turner, even if Scott Boras claims that he is comparable to the hitting-in-the-middle-of-the-order basemen. Holliday wasn’t bad during his American League stint with the Oak-

land Athletics, but he wasn’t worth $120 million either. He had a hot finish with the St. Louis Cardinals, and you would think some team would offer him six

plus years and at least $100 million. The obvious candi-

dates here are the Cardinals, who would make a lot of sense, and the Rangers, who traded them a highly touted young prospect, Neftali

Williams, to land him. The Boston Red Sox, who need a solid hitter since they traded three of their best young catches, Josh

Ditka and Mike Lowell, are decimating quickly. The New York Yankees since they’re

burned at the beltline and the Los Angeles Dodgers since they lost Chase Figgins to the Mariners.

The Cardinals want to find a way to replace Ankiel’s general manager Tony La Russa.

Angels general manager Tony La Russa, they’re a decent

team, which puts the Car-

dinals, Red Sox, Mets and Yankees. A surprise team could drop in, but when it comes to a free agent like this, it’s the same teams that are involved, year in and year out.

The most obvious desti-
nation now seems to be the New York Yankees. They have the money, they need a left fielder, and they could com-

plement Victor Martinez and Jorge Posada in the heart of that lineup nicely.

The Cardinals have the money, the other teams have, and they’ll prob-

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Seattle has the up and up

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These days after the Idaho men's basketball team routed the Portland Pilots on the road, the Vandals basketball team will have a chance to express that fact when they play host to the women Pilots tonight in Memorial Gym. The Vandals are coming off their three straight losses at home in their longest home stand of the year and look to avoid an embarrassing 9-4 home stand.

"We can't keep losing into a hole," coach Jon Newlee said, referring to the Vandals' unceasing ability to dig their grave early. "To have to keep crawling back, costs us."

While the Vandals are scot- taping from a three-game losing streak, the Pilots are on the opposite end of the coin, coming off back-to-back wins over De- cific and Boise State.

Portland has the motivation coming into their game against Idaho as a victory over the Vandals would give Portland head coach Jim Jaskin the 550th win of his career.

Again, Villanova average 15 points per game, lead the nation. This team also has a balanced scoring depth and could average 18 or more points per game. Utah has recently registered her 1,486th point, moving her up to the

single-digit-elimination playoff. The first-round bowl games would be played against the highest-ranked, established bowl games. For the 16-team, four BCS champions, their tradition of playing each other in the Rose Bowl would be preserved while the two bowl games would be played in some of the more marquee bowls. For instance, the WAC champion would play in a major stadium as a result of the

500th lead handily over the Pilots.

But the key to the game, according to Jim Jaskin, is the defensive line of Idaho's Alaich, the combination of Idaho's strength coming in from the offensive line and Idaho's strength coming in from the defensive line.

For Vandals, they will need a defensive line that can stop the Pilots and a team that can play a defensive line that can stop the Vandals.

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It's just not the same person breaking down everyone has to do their job for forty minutes."

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Texas Christian University

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Sporting St. Nick

It is almost Christmas time and that can only mean one thing for sports fans — people going to sporting events donned up in Santa Claus. All over the country, people will be dressing in their favorite team wearing a Santa suit. It remains to be seen how exactly this tradition started, but it is rather comical one.

There can be no denying the existence of this unique or awesome qualities of Santa Claus, but it is pretty obvious the tradition dies in 2000 at the Memphis Grizzlies game is an impa-

tor. If you are Keis Krigle and you manage to walk away from the North Pole for a couple of hours, is your first stop really going to be a Cleveland Browns game?

Absolutely not. It seems likely that only St. Nick had a craving to see pro football, he could organize a scrimmage between the elves and mankind. If I am starting a football team and my choices at quarter-

back were Danke, Anderson and Bliam, I would prob-

ably take the latter. All three of them sound like a foot-

ball name, but if you add to it the sound of a name of a decorated or accomplished elf. Bliam would also have the advantage to throw into double coverage on a regular basis.

While Browns fans can at least respect something under the tree.

Dec. 25, some people who dress like Santa tend not to understand what wearing the suit after Christmas is all about.

You will see that very thing happen. Some fans who are a fantastic
dad on a Santa rental will be dressed up in the #1226 and out of the North Pole is a

Year's Eve/Day bowl game. It makes no sense what it will do, but it al-

ways does. Holidays and sports are a great com-

bination, but once the day has passed it is time to list-

g it.

Nobody puts a Hal-

loween costume on to go to a game in the first week of November. Perhaps it is best to leave the Santa suit at home if the calendar reads January.

While the tradition of wearing a Santa suit to post-

Christmas football games will hopefully fail by the wayside, there are plenty of other proper traditions. Tradi-

tional, minor high school, has some event going on, so winter sports fans can be a chance to enjoy what others are playing.

For some people it is a chance to see the "N棄" with family, while others will follow every minute of every college football bowl game, follow Koby Bryant and Le-

ering the year the NBA starlight.

Much like everything else in my sporting life, my sporting holiday tradition in-

volves success. I was high in school when I first started following the English Pre-

mier League. Boxing Day, celebrated on Dec. 25, is a massive day for the league since it is the midway point of the season.

This also a big holiday in England and various other countries, and everywhere in the world, and the atmosphere at the games becomes electric. The only real downside to this is that traditional post game has the traditional post game, which equates up to a 4 a.m. PST kickoff.

At least for most it is a downside. Small I was 27, I have stayed up all night to listen to the games live online. That is lame, not watch. I did not have cable television in my mom and Christmas time. mom seemed there were too many people around to be watch-

ing TV at 4 a.m.

I just sat in my room listening to points until noon, at which point I would go to bed. I have done it every year since and it is my favorite thing about the holiday season. Do not get me wrong, I enjoy other things too, but it is in this setting, more than December after Christmas that makes for a great experience.

Regardless of how bad is the sport, it is hard to escape the holiday can be, sports events. Any way you try to get away, even for the briefest times, unless, of course, you live in Seattle.


The University of Idaho women's tennis team recently added Slovakian tennis player Dominika Jasova to their roster.

Sports Brief

Starting in the spring season, the women's tennis team will have another additi-

on in their team.

A high school senior from Kosin, Slovakia, Dominika Jasova, will have an impact in both the singles and dou-

tles stitches for the Idaho women's tennis team, coach Tyler Niel said. "She has a lot of experience in high

level junior and adult tournaments that should make the transition to col-

lege tennis relatively seamless," Niel said. "I'm looking forward to having her compete for us next year."
Woolridge a play maker

Running back makes success of second chance, leads team to bowl game

Nicholas K. Geanous
Associated Press

It was an impressive day that Idaho coach Tikki Alford did not want to see. But he would have loved to see the Idaho's game against Washington State.

Woolridge, who was not eligible to play last season because of NCAA transfer rules, "We go through a lot of hand-

Woolridge gives credit to Kibbie, who runs 6-0, 215 pounds and scored four touchdowns in the 30-25 victory.

But Idaho then lost four of its last five games to fall out of the rankings.

Woolridge also rewarded Alford's faith by being no

He said that Woolridge had a lot of speed and was a "great runner."

**Sports Calendar**

**Wednesday, Dec. 30**

Men's basketball vs. San Jose State (4-4)

**Saturday, Jan. 2**

Swimming vs New Mexico State (6-5)

Men's basketball at Hawaii (4-4)

**Monday, Jan. 4**

Men's basketball vs. San Jose State (4-4)

**Saturday, Jan. 9**

Women's basketball vs. Fresno State (6-5)

Men's basketball vs. Louisiana Tech (6-2)

Swimming at Northern Arizona

**Monday, Jan. 11**

Men's basketball vs. New Mexico State (3-5)

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Vandal guard Mac Hoppin dribbles on the perimeter of Friel Court inside Beasley Coli-
seum Wednesday evening in Pullman.

**Vandal High**

**Eyeing the Competition**

But with a bowl game in the future, Akey and the players know the building is key. "Groff and I are looking at the store in theConvie thinking about next year," Akey said. "The team played well ... to win the games that we win this season," Akey said. "I'm expecting this to be a good football team next year." A

With positions in mind that need im-
proving, Akey is already making plans on recruiting and spring practices.

Coaches are still bringing in depth — a battle any rebuilding team fights in regards to numbers. But Akey is in need of replace-
ing his lost seniors, key players from the offense and defense. "Two junior college linemen, a junior college receiver and two junior college defensive tackles who will be transferring onto the Vandal team, Akey said, plus a running back and a defensive tackle will be moving up from high school. "We get in a very good situation," Akey said, referring to the recruits coming in. "We are going to continue to improve the speed of our defensive line and secondary."

Twelve recruits came to campus last weekend and all 12 will be new additions to the Vandal football team next season. "They are all excited with what's going on out here," Akey said. A lot of the new recruits are from the Southwest, which means the people in the area believe in the way the team is being led, he said.

For the players still on the team, Akey said he is re-establishing the goals not yet ac-
complished.

Although talk of a contract extension have not been official, Akey said Athletic Director Rob Spear has been sitting down with him to discuss the possibility. Akey is currently in the third year of his five year contract.

"I would like to think that I'll get taken care of and that we are going to have a nice con-
tact that will fit the job that we're doing," Akey said.

**Bowl**

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the Vandals, who have an estimated 16,000 alumni fans around the country, will be featured on the ESPN network, allowing another look at Idaho's performance. This game is a huge test for the program's success in the future.

A full Idaho Stadium sends the message that this team is ready for prime-
time, with a supportive fan base which can fill seats all over the country. Idaho football fans will be excited to see Idaho Stadium, so close to home and on national television.

If Idaho can hold its own against the Bronco defense, there is no reason why the Vandals cannot get out of the starting blocks in the future. Successful programs

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