

# The Tumbleweed

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## Discovering Christmas History By: Jacques Ndengeyingoma

Christmas is one of the most popular holy days on the Christian calendar. This is the day that Christians all over the world gather together to celebrate the birth of Jesus. It is observed by most other religions as well.

The date and the year of Jesus's birth is not given anywhere in the Bible. The extra biblical evidences don't mention the real date of the birth of Jesus either. The biblical reference to shepherds tending their flocks at night

when they hear the news of Jesus' birth (Luke 2:8) might suggest the spring lambing season was when Jesus was born.



Pope Julius I chose to replace the pagan winter solstice feast in honor of Mithra, the "Unconquered Sun," that had been officially recognized by the emperor Aurelian in 274 AD. For Rome, the new feast celebrating the birthday of the

"Sun of Righteousness" (Malachi 4:2) spread to all other churches (except the Armenian Church) over the following century.

The name "Christmas" we use today did not appear until the eleventh century. The word comes from the Old English *Cristes Maesse*, which means "the Mass of Christ."

<http://christinprophecy.org/articles/when-was-jesus-born/#sthash.0RRg8nLe.dpuf>

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### NOTEWORTHY NEWS:

- Dec. 19-Jan.1: LCHS Christmas Break; No School
- Jan. 4, 2016: School Resumes
- Jan. 5: LCHS vs. Poplar @ LCHS
- Jan. 8: LCHS @ Frazer
- Jan. 15: 2nd Quarter Ends; LCHS @ Saco
- Jan. 16: LCHS @ Dodson



## Finishing Strong By: MacKenzie Teichroew

On Thursday the tenth Ibrahim Danladi spoke to the school on finishing strong. He mentioned several Olympic runners who were injured but despite that finished their race. He mentioned the verse



1Corinthian's 9:24-27 which talks about if you compete you must train. He used school as an example of something we have to finish strong. He said that being in school is like being in

a race and that obstacles will rise in our path but we have to push forward and finish because the obstacles only make us stronger. One way to stay in this race we call life, and to play fair is to read God's rules; in other words

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## Is Your Life about Love? By: Geneva Rauch

Pastor Kelly from the Scobey Christian and Missionary Alliance Church brought to us the message that either your life is going to be about you or about love. On Thursday, December 12, 2015 he talked about near death experiences, and how people look back at their life and realize that although they said they had gotten saved previously, they looked back and



realized how they really haven't lived for god. So we should live for god every day, and to live for him we have to love. He explained how when we don't love, we don't have peace. And he emphasized the fact that its more of a blessing to give than to receive. He moved from that onto explaining how we are precious

to god, and we must see ourselves and others as god sees us. That he loves us unconditionally and that's how we must love people. He challenged us to challenge God, to ask him to show us how much he really loves us, and to use us if we are willing. So overall pastor Kelly really brought to heart some really true things that I think need to be taught. God is good.

## LGS and LCHS Present Rockin' Christmas Concert By: Jason Toavs

The Lustre high school and grade school presented their annual Christmas concert to the community on Thursday December 10 in the Lustre Grade School gymnasium. The grade school kicked off the concert with a few choir songs by the K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade students including such favorites as "Joy to the World" and "White Christmas" as well as some band pieces by the 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade and the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Next the 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes performed a play entitled "On Christmas Day in



the Morning". After the play there was a short intermission which allowed the high school band and choir to get ready and to let the audience move around a little. The LCHS band then played a few songs followed by an offertory taken for the high school while Monica Brown and Geneva Rauch sang a duet. Performances by the LSCH choir and Quartet concluded the concert. Well done to everyone who participated in the event as well as everyone who attended.





## Lustre Lions Win Games By: Ernest Uy

The Lustre Christian Boys' basketball team was off to a great start with victories against two teams. In the first game, Lustre played against the Jordan Mustangs. In the first half, the Lions played a strong offensive game. However, the third quarter was played poorly, and the Mustangs came back. After a weak third quarter, the Lustre Lions played a strong fourth quarter, scoring more points and winning the

game, 53 - 48.

In the Game the next day against the Turner Tornadoes, the Lustre Lions played a similar game. In the first half, the Lions played strong. Lustre, however, didn't play so well in the third quarter. Turner came back until the score was just behind in the third quarter. The Lions then came back in the last quarter, winning the game 47 points to 38.

However, the Lions were

handed their first loss for the season in the game against the Poplar Indians. The first half saw the Lions scoring a total of 15 points. The second half went better, with Lustre scoring 26 points. The leading scorers were Jacques Ndengey-ingoma with 13 and Michael Brown with 12. The final score for the evening was 41-58.

## Tough Defensive Plays Help Lions By: Teagan Friesen

On December 8<sup>th</sup> the Lustre Lions traveled to the Wolf Point Kick Off Tournament to do battle with the Brockton Warriors. Sadly, the Lions fell to the Warriors after sparking a comeback during the fourth quarter. Despite being behind

by double digits for a part of the game, they ended 44-47.

The next day, the Lions went at it with the Scobey Spartans, playing a good defensive game, but losing 25-42.

On Tuesday, December 15, The season opener was held in

the Lion's Den against the Scobey Spartans. The lions fought a good fight, excelling with their defense and keeping the Spartans scoreless in the first quarter, but falling in the end by 12 points. The final score was 40 to 28.

## Finishing

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the bible. Ibrahim talked about the Olympic runner Derek Redmond who injured his hamstring but still got up and finished his race with his father's

help. Just like Derek Redmond we are the struggling runner and Jesus is the one helping us across the finish line. So in conclu-



sion, don't give up. Life is hard but it gets harder so finish strong. Be a champion.

## Lady Lions Kick Off Season with Tournament By: Monica Brown

On Friday the 4th, the girls' basketball team played their first game in the Showcase Tournament held in Glasgow, MT. After sitting in the gym all day, the girls were ready to play Wolf Point JV at 7:30 pm. Starters were Sadie Brown, Kaitlyn Toavs, Mckaylah Lenihan, Kylie Kirkaldie, and Kassie Kirkaldie, with Taylor Reddig, Halle Reddig, Hannah Stewart, and Joyce Li coming off the bench for some good solid minutes. Throughout the game, the girls fought hard and

stayed with their opponents. It was a hard fought game that unfortunately ended in a 52-34 loss. Lead scorers for the Lady Lions were as follows: Kassie Kirkaldie: 11; Kaitlyn Toavs: 9; Sadie Brown: 7; Halle Reddig: 3; and Kylie Kirkaldie and Taylor Reddig each scoring 2 points.

Mid- morning the following day, the team headed back to Glasgow to face the Terry Terriers. Starting the same five girls, they took to the court with a determination to play

well. The team improved in some areas but recognized that more improvement is still ahead. The buzzer sounded with the clock showing 50-42 in favor of the Terriers. Sadie Brown and Kassie Kirkaldie were the high scorers with 15 apiece and Kaitlyn Toavs chipped in 7. The girls played hard and fought till the end, and I'm sure all the fans are excited to see how the season goes from here.

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## Team Effort Brings Win By: Emily Eggar

The Wolf Point Kickoff Tournament took place December 11-12, 2015. On Friday, December 11th, the Lady Lions faced the Brockton Warriors. Monica Brown, Sadie Brown, McKaylah Lenihan, Kylie Kirkaldie, and Kaitlyn Toavs, started the game against the Brockton Warriors. By the second half of the game the score was 31 points for Lustre and only 12 points for Brockton. During the second half, many JV players had their chance on the floor by relieving varsity players. Lustre beat Brockton with a final score of 51-33.

On Saturday December

12th, the lady Lions faced the Scobey Spartans. The starters for the Scobey game were the same as the starters for Brockton. At the end of the second quarter, Lustre had 9 points and Scobey had 22. The girls played long and hard but still lost to Scobey. The Lady Lions walked away with 27 points to Scobey's 51 points.

In a quick turn-around, Lustre had the chance to play the Spartans again on Tuesday, December 15th in an epic face off in the Lion's Den. Once again Monica Brown, Sadie Brown, McKaylah Lenihan, and Kylie Kirkaldie started joined by freshman Kassie

Kirkaldie. The lady Lions fought as hard as they could and their hard work paid off with the ending score of 42-36, the Lions on top. After the game, the lady Lions were exhausted, but very excited about the win!

The Lady Lions JV also had the chance to play on Tuesday. They worked hard but were unable to pull out the win. The game ended with the Scobey JV girls defeating the Lady Lions JV 41-11.

The Lady Lions will play again on January 5, 2016 at home. Please come and cheer them on!

## Girls Fight Hard But Fall Short By: Monica Brown

The first regular season game of the 2015/16 season pitted the Poplar Lady Indians against the Lustre Lady Lions. Beginning the night with the JV game, the girls went out and played hard. They worked together as a team and are continually improving! The Lady Indians came away with the game 32-24, and then the varsity girl's game followed. The game started with pressure

from the Lady Indians, and the Lions rose up to the challenge. Trailing by a few points throughout the game, they worked hard to rebound the ball and be aggressive on offense. However, with a few seconds left and a half-court shot attempt, the buzzer rang with the scoreboard showing a six point win (54-48) for the Lady Indians.

Scoring Leaders (V)	
Monica Brown	19
Sadie Brown	13
Kaitlyn Toavs	7

Scoring Leaders (JV)	
Halle Reddig	10
Kassie Kirkaldie	6
Taylor Reddig	6
Hannah Stewart	2



JOY Enjoy Truth Flesh  
 Happiness Christmas  
 Family JOHN became  
 The Blessings Peace  
 JESUS Life  
 Word



# Stars for Seniors

By: Teagan Friesen

## JACQUES NDENGEYINGOMA



**NICKNAMES:** CAP

**BIRTHDAY:** MAY 12, 1998

**BORN:** BYUMBA, RWANDA

**HOBBIES:** SOCCER, COMPUTER GAMES, WORKING

**FAVORITES:**

- **SUBJECT**—MATH, BIBLE, AND GOVERNMENT
- **FOOD** — STEAK AND CHICKEN
- **DRINK**—WATER
- **MEMORY**— RIDING THE BUS FROM DODSON WITH JASON
- **BIBLE VERSE** — PHILIPPIANS 1:21
- **SPORT** —BASKETBALL AND SOCCER



**HOW I HAVE CHANGED MOST SINCE COMING TO LCHS**  
I HAVE GOTTEN TO BE MORE KIND AND PATIENT

**FUTURE PLANS:** GO HOME



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 All proceeds go to LCHS!  
 Contains 80 recipes that have sausage as their main ingredient, and you don't even have to use Schmeckfest sausage—any sausage will work.

Each book is \$12 and may be picked up at the LCHS office. If you'd like it to be mailed, please send a check for \$15 per cookbook (\$12 per book plus shipping) to LCHS at:

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 Frazer, MT 59225

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December 19	Evan Bartel
December 26	Thomas Brown
January 15	McKaylah Lenihan
January 22	Shelby Reddig

# LCHS Calendar

December 19—January 1	Christmas Break, No School
January 4, 2016	School Resumes
January 5	Basketball vs Poplar @ LCHS
January 8	Basketball @ Frazer
January 15	End of the 2nd Quarter Basketball vs Saco @ LCHS
January 16	Basketball @ Dodson
January 19	Basketball vs Wolf Point JV @ LCHS
January 22	Basketball vs Nashua @ LCHS

*Note: For updated game times and school information, please visit the LCHS Facebook page. All are welcome to attend LCHS Chapel Services.*

If you have had a recent change in address, please contact the LCHS office with your new address. We would like to keep our records up-to-date.  
 Thank you!

## Check it out!

Want to see an event at LCHS? Chapel and home basketball games can be found on <http://thecube.com>. Just type in the school name under "What do you want to watch?" and it will take you to the Lustre Christian feed.

If you would like to follow the events, simply sign up for an account. It's free.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Mrs. Adolf at Lustre Christian High School.



## Christmas Word Search



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