

The Tumbleweed



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Two Seniors Give Chapel Early By: Mack Young

Usually, seniors at LCHS put off the dreaded senior chapel until the end of the year. This year however, two seniors – Chen Zefeng and Maya Cruz – decided to get the challenge over with quickly.

Maya began chapel, talking about inner beauty. She opened with Psalms 139:13, “For you created my inmost being; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb.” She told of her own personal battle with recognizing that beauty is not what other people see on the outside – it is

what God sees on the inside that makes people beautiful. She told about how her culture’s pressure on her to look good, combined with hurtful comments from girls when she was younger shaped her whole view of beauty. Because of these comments Maya became very insecure about her looks. She eventually had plastic surgery to alter her nose, but when she returned home from this surgery, her friends didn’t even notice the change. Soon after, Maya began attending LCHS, and be-

came a Christian. It was these two changes, her friends’ failure to notice her new nose, and her conversion to Christianity, that changed how she saw beauty. Even though she loves nice clothes and looking good, it is ultimately who people on the inside that makes them beautiful. She ended with 1 Peter 3:4: “Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God’s sight.”

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Why Not Taser him? By: Serena Weide

Gun control is a topic in the news a lot of late. It seems like each day brings a new aspect of the issue to light. This is true of the case concerning Tamir Rice, on-

ly a 12-year-old boy, who was seen holding a toy gun by a playground. When police came, he was asked to put his hands up, but did not do as the police

requested. The police fired into his upper body, which resulted in two officers being placed on administrative leave.

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Noteworthy News:

- Dec. 9: LCHS Blue-White Scrimmage beginning @ 5:00 p.m.
- Dec. 11: LGS/LCHS Christmas Program @ LGS 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 13: LCHS Girls vs. Opheim @ LCHS 5:30 p.m.
- Dec. 14: MB Christmas Program
- Dec. 18: LCHS Boys vs. Hinsdale @ LCHS 6:00 p.m.
- Dec. 19: LCHS vs. Nashua @ LCHS 6:00 & 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 19: School Dismisses @ 2:30 p.m. through Jan. 4 for Christmas Break
- Dec. 21: EMB Christmas Program

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Christians Celebrate

By: Chen Zefeng

Jesus Christ's birthday, Christmas, an annual religious and cultural holiday commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ, is generally celebrated on December 25th by billions of people around the world. Christmas is a civil holiday in many of the nations, is celebrated culturally by an increasing number of non-Christians, and is an integral part of the Christmas and holiday season.

In China, only about one percent of people are Christians, so most people only know a few things about Christmas. Because of this, Christmas is often celebrated only in the major cities. In



these big cities, there are Christmas trees, lights and other decorations on the streets and in department stores. Santa Claus is called 'Shen Dan Lao Ren' and has grottos in shops like in Europe and America.

In Mexico, Christmas is celebrated from December 12th to January 6th. From December 16th to Christmas Eve, children often perform the 'Posada' processions or Posadas. Posada is Spanish for "Inn" or "Lodging". There are nine Posa-



das. These celebrate the part of the Christmas story where Joseph and Mary looked for a room in an inn.

Many different countries have many different ways to celebrate Christmas. No date is given in the Bible, so no one knows the real birthday of Jesus. Why do we celebrate it on the 25th December? Even though Jesus could have been born as early as 1 BC, it is most likely because Pope Julius I declared that Jesus' birth would be celebrated on that day around 336 AD.

<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures>

Tamir

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Police officers initially got the news of a person waving a gun around at a playground and responded. Tamir was shot right after the police arrived due to his refusal to put his hands up. Other sources reported that Tamir was pointing his gun and aiming it at people and scaring everyone. Tamir's father, Gregory Henderson, questioned the police "Why not tase him? You shot him twice, not once, and at the end of the day you all don't shoot for the legs, you shot for the upper

body." After waiting four minutes before giving Tamir Rice first Aid, Tamir died on Nov. 22 in the hospital.

There is a video clip that showed the police have a lot of explaining to do. The boy was just roaming around waving the toy gun around for several minutes. When the police arrived in their car, they were just a few feet away from Tamir when they fired. The video showed they didn't even let Tamir talk before firing at him. The police demanded Tamir put his hands up three

times from the passenger window of the police car. According to the video, that was not clear enough.

Based on this situation, and others, many believe the right to have guns should be changed. Others say controlling the ownership of weapons is not okay based on the second amendment. Regardless of who is right or wrong on the issue, everyone can agree that this is a situation requiring some explanation.

http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2014/11/cleveland_police_shooting_of_1.html

Freshman Stirs Pot

By: Nevin Vanderschoot

This school year has brought several new freshmen. One of the new students in Lustre is Alek Lewis, and he is fourteen years old. He is from Denver, Colorado. Originally he was born in south east Russia. His strength is playing video games and his weakness is doing homework.

His goal for this school year is to get good grades. When he first came here he expected good education. His future plan is to become an FBI agent. For fun he likes to play games, in particular Minecraft. One of the most exciting things that have happened to



him in Lustre so far is paintballing. Even though he has been here in Lustre for about three months he hopes that he studies at LCHS for many years to come.

Dorm "Turkeyed" Out

By: Francis Kulpruks

During Thanksgiving break, the dorm RA's and all the dorm kids left the dorm to spend time with their families or their host family. Ibrahim Danladi, the boy's RA, was with the Olfert family for the holiday. He had also planned on going to Miles City with his friend Michael Butler on Saturday, but they ended up staying in Lustre because of the inclement weather that day. The girl's RA, Danae Cowan, stayed at the dorm and spent Thanksgiving day with Mr. Marasco's family. Most of the kids stayed in Lustre with host families except Serena, Dimon,

Alek, Aleyna, and Jacques. Serena went back to Las Vegas to visit her family. Dimon went to Bozeman to see her brother. Alek and Aleyna went to Billings where they met their parents, who came to visit from Colorado. Jacques stayed with Jon and Chelsea Milligan, the dorm resident's assistants a few years ago. He went to Red Lodge Mountain resort with Jon, and they had a great time skiing and snowboarding in the awful weather. Everybody ate a lot of turkey on Thanksgiving Day. There was also basketball practice in the morning on Friday and Saturday

for those who were staying in Lustre. The coaches want the players to get in shape so they made the players run to burn off all the fat from Thanksgiving. For those who didn't stay in Lustre and didn't run during Thanksgiving break, most likely, they will have been complaining about how hard practice was on Monday. It was an enjoyable Thanksgiving break for everyone and all made it back to the dorm. It's always good to be home and to see each other again.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December 7 Geneva Rauch

December 13 Evan Bartel

December 26 Thomas Brown

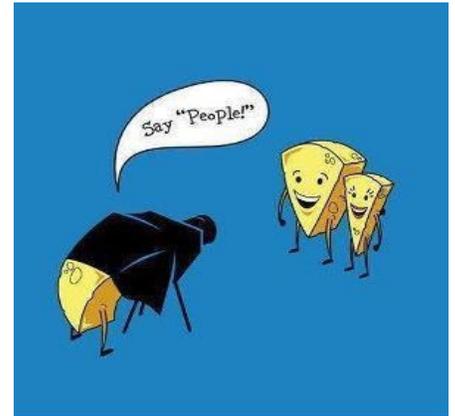


FUN PAGE

By: Maya Cruz

JOKE

A teacher asked her students to use the word "beans" in a sentence. "My father grows beans," said one girl. "My mother cooks beans," said a boy. A third student spoke up, "We are all human beans."



WORD SEARCH!

WINTER FUN

FIND AND CIRCLE THE WORDS ON THE LIST...WORDS MAY BE FOUND ACROSS, DOWN, OR DIAGONALLY --FORWARDS, BACKWARDS, AND SOMETIMES OVERLAPPING. HAVE FUN!

WORD LIST

BOBSLED
DOGSLED
HOCKEY
HUNTING
ICE FISHING
ICE SKATE
SHOVEL
SKI
SKIJORING
SLED
SLEIGH RIDE
SNOW
SNOW ANGEL
SNOWBALL
SNOWBLOWER
SNOWBOARD
SNOWMAN
SNOWMOBILE
SNOWSHOES
TOBOGGAN

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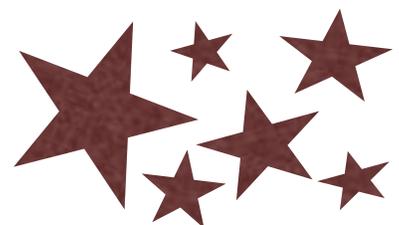
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DID YOU KNOW...?

- Unless food is mixed with saliva you can't taste it
- The flamingo can only eat when its head is upside down.
- M&M's chocolate stands for the initials for its inventors Mars and Murrie.
- The sentence "the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter in the English alphabet.
- The most commonly forgotten item for travelers is their toothbrush.



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Other than frying patties, how do you use your Schmeckfest Sausage?? Do you have a tried and true recipe that contains Schmeckfest Sausage as the main ingredient?? If so, please send your recipe(s) my way as I'm making a cookbook dedicated to our beloved Schmeckfest Sausage!! Also, look to purchase your own copy of the cookbook in March of 2015 at the 50th Annual Schmeckfest! All proceeds from the cookbook will be donated to LCHS!!!

Please email your recipes to ahohlen1@yahoo.com with SCHMECKFEST SAUSAGE RECIPE written in the subject line, or mail to:

Amy Fast
159 Fast Rd.
Lustre, MT 59225

Deadline to submit recipes is
Monday, Dec. 15th, 2014!!!

LCHS Calendar

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BLUE - WHITE SCRIMMAGE

When: December 9, 2014

Where: LCHS Gymnasium



Come cheer on our teams as they prepare for the upcoming basketball season!
Check Facebook for updated information.



WANTED

Good used 4WD or AWD vehicle. Please contact Skylla at 406-942-0850 for more information.

Senior Chapels

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changes in between, Chen began his own chapel. He opened by asking Maya about why she chose her friends, who they were, and what makes them friends. He explained that one may have very good friends, but only God will be your friend through it all. Chen then gave some personal examples of what

friends are. When in Reno his first year in America, he was supposed to attend an English school. However, the school was not open, and he had two choices: go to China, or find a place to stay in Lustre. He posted his concerns on Facebook, and Linette Uchtman readily invited him into her home. She helped him learn better English, make friends, and learn about God. His second ex-

ample was his cousin. Chen and his cousin were inseparable and did many things together. Chen's cousin helped him with being more mature about school and other things, even when he didn't necessarily want to hear advice. Chen finished up by saying that God is like our best friend – he is there for His people and helps them, even when they don't know they need it.