

The Tumbleweed

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Schmidt Family Finds Home By: Julie Reddig

Noteworthy News:

- March 3: Cutup Day
- March 4-5: Café Murder 6:30p.m. @ LCHS Gym
- March 10: P/T Conferences 4-7p.m.; Call LCHS office to schedule a time.
- March 12: Freshman Pizza Dinner, 5:30-7:00 p.m.; contact Mr. Marasco to make reservations
- March 14: First day of Track practice
- March 17: End of 3rd Qtr.
- March 18: Schmeckfest
- March 23: LCHS out @ 2:30 for Easter Break
- March 24-28: No School; Easter Break

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While preparations are still underway for the Lustre Centennial Celebration in July, it's time to discover more about the Schmidt family. Dean and Julie Reddig now live on this land as it was her great-grandparents who established the homestead.

The Schmidt family left Russia in 1874 and lived in Philadelphia, PA for about a year before settling in Avon, SD. George J. Schmidt, was born and lived there until 1899 when he married Mary Schmidt. They moved to Langham, Saskatchewan,

Canada where George established a woodshop and son Jacob was born in 1901. Twins arrived in 1910, but they died the same day and their mother passed away a few days later. George then moved to Mountain Lake, MN where he met Maria Schultz. Maria and George tied the knot in 1912 then, in 1913, added to their family Sue and in 1914 David.

While in Mountain Lake, MN, the land agent for the Great Northern Railroad, Mr. J.J. Harms, told them land could be pur-

chased cheaply in Montana, and it was less expensive to travel if you were land hunting. George traveled to northeast Montana in the fall of 1916 with other settlers and traversed 38 miles northeast across the treeless prairie where the stakes were driven for the small homesteads. Since it was required to claim the land by building a small shack on it, he did this that fall before returning to Minnesota. The shack measured 16 feet by 24 feet and would last for many years.

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Pankratz Family Moves to Lustre By Joyce Li

In the spring of 1893, a farming family from Maltashena, Russia crossed over the ocean to the Baltimore port and moved to Mountain Lake, Minnesota due to

the complicated situation in Russia. The father of the family was Peter Jacob, and the mother was Anna Koehn. One of their children was Peter P. Pankratz. He and his

father became U.S. citizens in 1902.

Born in 1956, Mr. Donald Pankratz is the 3rd generation of the Lustre homesteaders. His grandfather, Peter P. Pankratz married Helen Falk in 1911.

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Lions Advance to Divisionals By Jason Toavs

The Class C district basketball tournament was held in Malta this year on the dates of February 18 through the 20th. The lion's first game was on Thursday the 18th against the Dodson Coyotes. Not presenting much of a challenge the Lions easily beat them and advanced to play the Frazer Bearcubs the next day. After a good night's rest in a Malta motel room the Lions came out ready to play, but unfortunately were unable to get ahead of the Frazer team who was on fire from the three-point line all night. The final buzzer saw the Lion boys behind by a mere 6

points. That loss sent them to their first loser out game that same night against the Nashua Porcupines. Tired but determined the lions fought hard to stay in the tournament and ended up winning, sending the Porcupines home. From here the boys went to their second loser out game against the North Country Mavericks. This game would decide who would take third place and advance to divisional tournament and who would go home in defeat.

And once again the Lustre Lions prevailed, sending the Mavericks packing and guaranteeing themselves a place in the divisional tournament in Wolf Point a week later.



Lady Lions Conquer the Odds By Teagan Friesen



The Lustre Lady Lions made the long journey to Malta on the weekend of the 28th

through the 20th of February for the 2016 District 3 C basketball tournament. The Lady Lions started off against Dod-

son and fell short in overtime 39 to 44; leading them to a bye in the bracket and then to Frazer; Lustre won, giving the scoreboard a workout 60 to 46 in loser-out action ending the season for the Lady Bearcubs. The final game the Lady Lions were involved was the consolation match for third and fourth place against the Dodson Coy-

otes. The Lady Lions beat them 47 to 36, sending the Lady Coyotes back to Dodson. Lustre will be playing in the Divisional tournament in Wolf Point February 25th through the 27th.



Pankratz

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Hearing of the good quality of the land in the Lustre area, he, his wife, and three children came to Oswego in 1916 with two train cars that had all their belongings, livestock, household items, and so forth. Soon after, they started farming and ranching. The year of 1928 was a good year for them. They got a truck, a tractor, and a combine that year. Peter and Helen had two daughters and eight sons. Peter was a carpenter and he built coffins for the community people

who passed away. The brand, with his initials, P. P. P., is still used in branding today.

Life back then was rough. Mister Donald Pankratz said that the family would go to Oswego for supplies with horses and wagons. They would stay overnight because the trip was so long. In 1969, a shack was built. Another interesting thing they did was during winter, they would cut out big ice cubes and have an ice house. Covered by straw and being underground, the ice would last the whole

summer. They used it as a fridge. Farming practice back then was really different from today. Without modern technologies such as auto steer and air drills, they used horses to plow. There was also no running water so it was hard.

Peter and Helen's children went to Pankratz School, also called Grandview School, 1.5 miles east of the homestead place. The school included 1st grade to 8th grade. When Donald's aunt graduated from eighth grade, Lustre Bible Academy started.



Photographer Wanted

Schmeckfest is fast approaching and we need a photographer to record the evening's events for the LCHS Yearbook.

Yearbook staff are otherwise occupied with Schmeckfest duties that night, especially during the live auction and program.

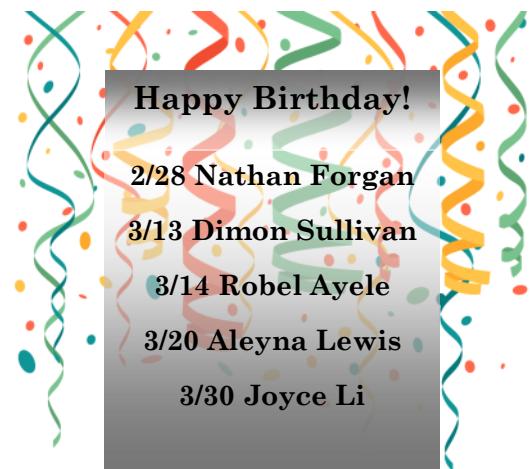
If you know how to handle a camera, are available, and would be willing to help, please contact Mrs. Adolf at 392-5735 or via email at lchstech@nemont.net. Thank you!

LOST & FOUND

Found: Avia brand Purple hooded jacket, size small. It's been hanging out in the LCHS coat room for about a month!

Lost: The owner of the above jacket!

If this item is yours, please **claim by March 17, 2016** or it will be given away.



Reddig

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Early in April of 1917 George and son Jacob arrived in Wolf Point via freight train along with household goods, machinery, horses, and cattle. It wasn't until late on April 10, 1917 that Maria, daughter Sue, and son David arrived in Wolf Point; they left the next morning with a small caravan to travel to their new home. George soon added a 40 foot well to the land, which he dug by hand.

Church services were first held in German, but government regulations in the spring of 1918 changed this. Now, church services were to be conducted in English. Being fluent in English, George was asked to assist in the ministry of the Word and served as one of many lay ministers at the Lustre EMB church until 1949.

The Spanish Flu was pandemic after World War I, and hit poor David Schmidt leaving him with a bad heart. He died on August 2, 1919. This sad event was offset by the birth of another son, Paul, on September 29, 1919 who was the father of the Schmidt sisters, a "Ray of sunshine" after the loss of David.

Paul Schmidt enlisted in the army in September 1942 and served the Air Forces Technical Training Command for 9 months. Since he was the only living son at the time, he was honorably discharged to go home and help his father on the farm. Paul married Lila Toavs in September of 1943, and they made

their home together on the Schmidt farm where Julie and her 4 sisters were later born. Paul and Lila lived in the original homestead shack, which had been added onto, until 1963 when a new home was built. They continued living on the land in a little four-room house, part of the original Lustre Post Office, until their failing health caused them to move to Wolf Point where they lived with their daughter Sue, who was teaching there at the time. He raised Hereford cattle, used John Deere tractors, and had a heart for the church, the schools, and the community. Sadly, Paul had surgery at the Mayo Clinic February 11, 1969 where his spleen was removed. He passed away from surgical complications March 3, 1969. This was a "horrendous loss" for the whole family, but Paul had made financial provisions for his family in case of his death, which became a source of amazement to all the girls. His stewardship and foresight made sure the family was taken care of despite his early passing at the age of 49. Lila eventually leased out the land and the cattle as it was just too hard without Paul.

A special memory Julie has of her dad is him pulling all of the girls on a toboggan to the mailbox to meet the school bus before the driveway was built up. Her dad also bought one of the first four-wheel drive

pickups in 1964. The girls were amazed at the snow banks their dad could drive through with this new vehicle!

Dean and Julie were married in June of 1972, and moved into the four room house in which Julie's grandparents had lived. They began leasing the farm from Julie's mom in 1975 and purchased her Aunt Sue's land, which is where their current house stands. They were blessed with two daughters and two sons who eventually became a vital part of the farm operation. Through many difficulties, the Reddiggs worked long hours and provided for the family. They're grateful for a strong work ethic passed on from their parents. Love for God and Country also helped them get through the difficulties.

Julie and Dean count it a privilege to live where they are now. The once treeless prairie is no longer so treeless and their children have chosen to work the farm and ranch with their families. Julie states, "We owe our ancestors a great debt of gratitude for their fortitude and courage in facing the dangers of pioneering." Join in the celebration of 100 years of the Lustre/Volt Communities on July 3, 2016.



Give in to God By: Mackenzie Teichroew

Mr. Darin Clinton, the director of the Glendive Dinosaur and Fossil Museum, came and spoke at chapel on Tuesday February 16. He started by talking about the prophet Zachariah. Zachariah was a prophet when the Israelites were freed from captivity in Persia. Mr. Clinton said that if we



don't repent genuinely we will be punished. He made the comment that one shouldn't rely on religious practiced to save themselves. This is just fool hardy and leads to ruin or as he put it death. However if one genuinely repents they can be saved. Darin also talked about John the Baptist and how he came to pre-

pare the way for the messiah. He said that we need to rely on Jesus to give us a new heart and clean hands. On that note when Mr Clinton finished speaking we had time left over so Mr. Marasco led us in the song Clean Hands by Charlie Hall. All in all it was an inspiring chapel with a great message.

Choose Whom You Will Serve By: Jacques Ndengeyingoma

There was a new face at LCHS on Monday, February 23rd, 2-16! Claire Coyne, the youth leader from Scobey came to share with the students and staff. She began by giving an example of business about long term versus short term investment. She mentioned the importance of having a plan to have a successful business. She then asked how we plan to succeed, spiritually.

She said that no one plans to fail when they invest either short term or long term. However, people who live for the moment usually end up with bad consequences. Jeremiah 29:11-13 says, “ ‘For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on

Me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.’ ” She ended up advising the audience to serve God, not the world because you will never fail when following Him.



Living for Christ By: Allie Petschke

Former LCHS math and Bible teacher, Lisa Neufeld, spoke in chapel February 11, 2016. A brief testimony was given by Mrs. Neufeld including how she came to know Jesus Christ as her Savior at age four. She also outlined five colors that helped her understand the



steps of salvation: yellow, black, red, white, and green. Yellow says that, “God loves me and he has a plan for me.” Black says, “I have sinned.” Red says, “Jesus died and rose for me.” White says, “When I receive Him, I am for-

given and have life forever. Green means that, “I will grow in my relationship with God.” She said that every day is a choice and we can choose to live as the world (in the flesh) or as Christ (in the spirit). She ended with a challenge for all to choose to live for Christ.

Katie Byoun

By: Monica Brown

Full Name: Kyoungmin Byoun

Nickname: Min, Katie

Birthday: May 14, 1996

Hobbies: Sleeping, listening to music

Activities: Cheering for our players, working in concessions, studying



Best memory of 2015: Staying with my family during summer vacation

My most memorable experience: I became a senior

Future Plans:

Short term: graduate from LCHS

Long term: become rich

Favorites:

Bible verse: Ephesians 4:15

Subject: World Geography

Sport: Badminton, breathing

Music: pop songs

Food: Korean spicy food

Drink: Water, Mountain Dew



Fun Page

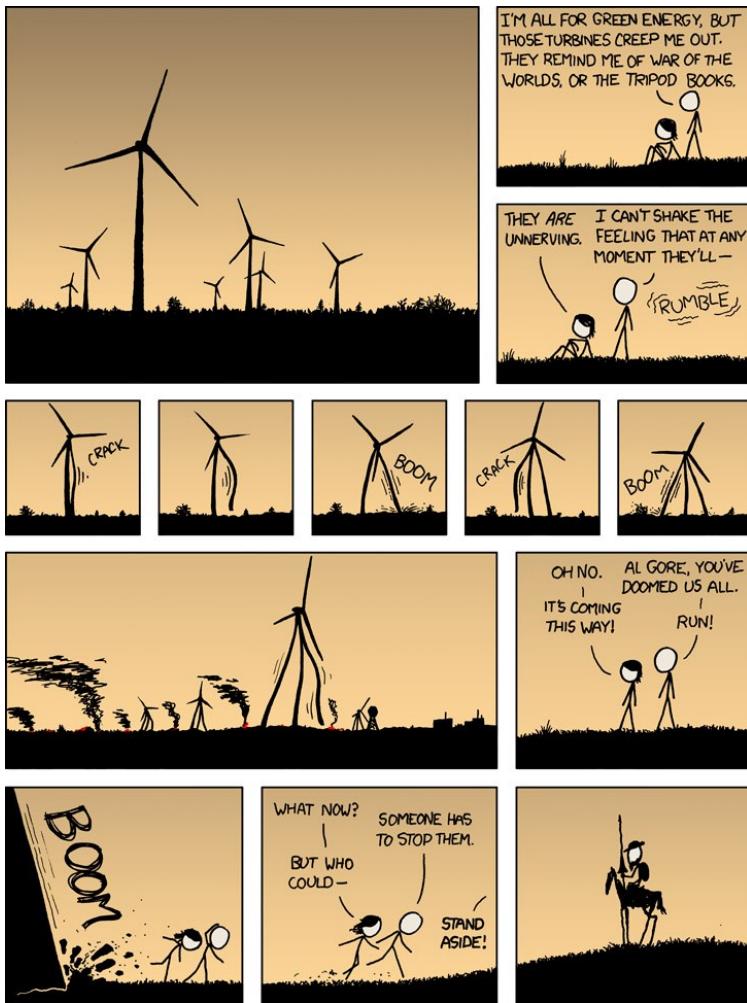
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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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				Cut up day	LCHS Drama 6:30 p.m.	→
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	CRT Testing Spiritual Emphasis	Math contest after school	CRT Testing	Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7pm		Pizza Fundraiser 5:30-7:00p.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
					Schmeckfest	Senior trip
20	21	22	23 LCHS out @ 2:30p.m. Academic Olympics	24 Easter Break No School	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		
Easter	No School					

Schmeckfest

Schmeckfest Decorating Committee

"We are looking for quilts to display on the walls at Schmeckfest again! Please contact Kimberly 392-7395, Brooke 650-6199, or Becca at 392-7963. Thank you!"

Schmeckfest Bake Sale Reminders:

For pre-orders, call bake sale chairman at 392-5778
Please bring at least 3 items for the bake sale; more items appreciated

Please package items as follows:

Pepperruts - 4 cups/package
Sweet rolls & maple sticks - 12/package
Perischke, buns, zwieback - 12/package
Frozen verenika - 6 or 12/package

Some requested items are verenika, zwieback, peppernuts, cherry perishke, pecan pie, and raspberry jam. Other good items are fancy breads, freezer jams, jellies, syrup, homemade mustard and pies.

Please do not bring cream pies, which includes pumpkin.

We can never have too many frozen verenika.

Plastic bags for items are available at the MB and EMB churches

Be sure to label the type of item in each as well as the quantity

Thanks for baking and labeling!!!

2016 Schmeckfest Art Auction & Display Needs

Do you have an item for the auction? Is there something you would like to display? Please let us know if you do!

Roy & Jodi Neufeld 725-3325
Mike & Laura Forest 893-4356

Schmeckfest Announcements

Hope to see you all at Cut-Up Day on March 3rd at the Brown's Shop!
PLEASE bring any large stainless steel bowls (labeled with your name) for use that day. Also, if you have any Large towels you'd be willing to loan for the use of drying meat tubs after they're bleached, please bring those as well!!!

REMEMBER YOUR COOLERS WITH ICE PACKS to pick up your sausage that day!!!

Sausage Sales: Please call Stephanie Brown at 392-5301, text her at 942-0218, or email her at steph.brown98@gmail.com; OR call Sarah Brown at 392-5201, text her at 392-7301, or email her at grownbrownies@yahoo.com.

Prices: until Feb. 28th is \$5 for bulk and \$6 for cased; after Feb. 28th is \$6 for bulk and \$6 for cased.