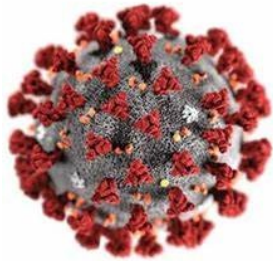


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It's sad to see how our daily lives have changed due to the current virus, who thought something so small can turn into something so big, worldwide at that. We have to remember that bad things don't last

and that God has a purpose for everything. In the Turks and Caicos there are 5 cases of the virus, the good thing is that they were prepared, preparation process started long before people in the US were

COVID CURRENT

By: Hannah Thomas

aware that they had it. The island is currently on a 21-day lockdown, no one is allowed to go anywhere unless it's extremely necessary. Grocery stores are still open, so people can buy things when they are needed (thank God they aren't over buying like Americans), there is also a curfew everyone must be inside by 8pm. Hopefully, the virus runs its course quickly and

things will be back to normal soon. All we can do for now is continuously pray for those who have it and pray for those who are bound to come in contact with it (Healthcare workers, doctors etc.). We need to also pray for students who have gone home to be with family (Ashley and Lily). I hope everyone remains sane and safe during these interesting times.

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What's Going on in Our World?

By: Olivia Brown

As the COVID-19 continues to spread, it has affected everyone in different ways. For students this means that schools are closed down and they must continue their classes online from home. This was hard to get used to at first, but eventually it became the norm. As for local events, many were cancelled due to the virus. Some of these include Schmeckfest, music festival, and a couple of track meets. Track is unable to prac-

tice together but the athletes are encouraged to practice on their own. Most local businesses have stayed open but are limiting the number of people allowed inside and are making sure to sanitize everything. As for stores in general, they are having to limit the quantity of items people buy, such as toilet paper, fresh fruits and vegetables, and cleaning supplies. Restaurants have closed their lobbies and are only doing take out. Places

like nursing homes and retirement homes are not allowing visitors in to see their loved ones. People are also not supposed to travel unless it is necessary. The governor of Montana has asked that everyone stay home in order to avoid spreading the virus. This greatly affects the lives of everyone both locally and statewide.



Kyle's Take

By: Kyle Pederson

The recent Coronavirus outbreak has caused people all over the world to stop in their tracks and hide. The entire country has been all but shut down due to the pandemic.

This has affected every single one of us, including myself. My everyday routine has been greatly changed. Instead of waking up every morning and worrying about getting to school on time or if I have enough gas

to make it up to school, I worry about my internet connection and what assignments I am behind on in my online classes.

Fortunately, I have been able to work during the outbreak, and when I am not working I have plenty of school to keep track of.

The worst part about this virus is all of the cancellations. Not being able to see my

friends every day, go on Senior Trip, go to the Junior/Senior Banquet, or have my family members attend my graduation is heart-breaking. I was looking forward to all of these events and experiences that were intended to make my Senior year great.

We have never experienced a pandemic like this before. I worry about the health

of my loved ones throughout the country. I hope and pray every day that they are healthy and remain so.

I urge everyone to follow the rules and stop the spread so that we can go back to living our lives like normal as soon as possible.



Life Flipped Upside Down

By: Amber Reddig

The Coronavirus started out as something that I thought wouldn't affect us out here in Luster, and as it spread more and more, I began to worry that it would reach here. Little did I know that Friday the 13th of March was going to be my last time at school for awhile. I feel like we always joke around about wanting school to get cancelled, and how nice it would be to have more vacation time, but when I heard the news about school getting canceled that Sunday, I actually wasn't excited about it really. It just didn't seem real. It has affected my daily life by my whole schedule being different. I obviously don't have school to wake up and go to, but I have had to get used to doing school work online.

I really haven't left

my house much or seen many people since this whole thing started. I have driven to Wolf Point with my family a few times during this to pick up food and just get out, and it's kind of crazy to see places shut down.

My sister works at Independence Bank in Glasgow, and their doors ended up getting shut to the public, so it has affected her work some.

My Grandma Carol has had to be very careful with all this going around, since she has chemo regularly, so she's mostly communicated with people over the phone.

I've seen how it has affected so many people in so many ways. It's like everybody's regular life got changed,

some more than others.

Sadly for us Seniors, there have been some things that we've been looking forward to that probably won't happen now. I had been looking forward to going to Salt Lake City with my class for our Senior Trip for a really long time. We had it all planned out, and I was excited for all our activities, especially the NBA game we had gotten tickets to. I feel like that's the most time we all would have together one last time as a class, so the thought of not going makes me sad. Also, Jr./Sr. Banquet was something I was excited for, and especially how it would be my last time going. The thing that would devastate me would be not having graduation. That is something I am hoping & praying

works out and that we can have like normal. That's something every Senior looks forward to so much! I feel like, and I really want to be able to end High School how I've always pictured it ending.

Out of all this quarantine time I have tried to make the most of it and looked at the bright side of things. It's been nice to have more time at home, and to spend so much time with my family. There's time for activities and hobbies that I usually don't have time for during the school year. It can be easy to get down about things that are canceled or how life is so different, but maybe this is the break everyone needed, is how I see it. If me staying home means that people are going to stay healthy, then I so under-

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I Don't Like This

By: Diego Froiland

To say that COVID-19 didn't affect my family would be a bold face lie, that would be far fetched and impossible to believe. Everybody says that the virus doesn't affect young people as much and that us youngsters have nothing to worry about are completely full of themselves, because it does have its effects on us. When you have an elderly person who you go and visit regularly and is not doing well at all you have to be so careful and make sure that you don't end up accidentally giving something to them whether the virus or otherwise. There's also other downsides to it including not being able to see your friends face to face, the ability to ask the teacher a question imme-

diately and easily if you get stuck on a problem, or just being able to do the simple things that you have always been able to do.

When the school's lockdown was first announced I was in shock and wondered how the school would even get everything online. I couldn't even fathom the possibility of doing everything that I did every day at school all at home. In fact I hated the idea of doing everything at home. Before all this even happened though my grandma had been admitted into the hospital with pneumonia and I was already stressed out. After school started online and we got sent the materials that we would need I no-

ticed how much work that we really actually did in a day and it seemed like a lot more than I could actually do. All the teachers were really good at reassuring the students that everything would be ok and that we would get through all of this, but I was not entirely convinced. Getting a new routine down was extremely hard and really the stress just kept building, between not knowing what was going to happen with my grandmother and not knowing how school was going to end up.

During the lockdown my grandma really was not doing well and my Mom kept having to go to Billings to help out with whatever she could. One of my sisters was able to

come up with her husband to see my grandma, but she came from a COVID-19 hotspot, so I'm guessing there were a lot of precautions that she ended up having to take.

As the majority of you probably already know Grandma ended up dying from pneumonia and complications of MS. During her time in the hospital my family had to follow a lot of rules pertaining to the virus.

We had to make funeral plans following many restrictions and had to figure out how to do everything based on them. For the visitation we didn't have very many people and we had the time set up so that people could come in a really

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Worldwide Effect

By: Megan Fast

The whole world seems like it has been turned upside down due to COVID-19, including my family.

I guess I will start with when COVID-19 started affecting my life. March 13 was like any other Friday, little did I know that it was to be the last day I went to school in the building. As of now school is online. This is probably the biggest way that COVID-19 has impacted my life.

A part of school life has not changed that much for me. In my immediate family everyday life has not been that altered. My parents just

have their kids home everyday all day, which they are pretty excited about.

My extended family lives have probably been affected more. For starters my uncle and his wife just had a baby. Due to COVID-19 my cousin was actually born earlier than planned. Only parents and siblings were allowed to visit, as a precaution. Everyone is healthy and staying home.

Another aunt and uncle live in Lithuania. My uncle is a professor and his classes have also been moved

online. My three cousins now have online video calls as school. They are strongly encouraged to wear masks if going outside. Their social distancing measures have been extended until April 13.

Most of my other cousins are home schooled so school has not changed that much for them. Clubs, activities, co-ops, church, have been cancelled, postponed, or moved online. They are dealing with the same issues such as finding toilet paper, social distancing, and working from home.

COVID-19 has made a huge impact in people's lives. For most of my family it means just staying away from other people. Out in Lustre my life has not been as affected as much as my cousins in Lithuania.

Through all of this unknown we still have hope in Jesus.



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stand the need for this time. I just want everyone to be healthy and for this to settle down.

Since I plan on going into Nursing, the medical field obviously interests me a lot, but over these weeks I have really gained even more of an understanding of how important the medical world is to us. I feel like this whole thing has made me appreciate school and education more, my teachers, seeing friends & people every day, sports, and just all of the small things that are so ways to take for granted just because it's the usual.

It's been nice how Pastor Frank and other pastors are making sermons available to everyone online for on Sunday mornings, but it'll be so good to get back to church

when this is all over. In the end I hope that we all come out of this better than we went into it, and that we learn to appreciate things more, and really trust God and find peace in Him. It's easy to worry and overthink this whole Coronavirus thing. I haven't been worried about getting sick myself, but I have been worried about being a carrier of it because I don't want to see the ones I love get sick, and I would feel so awful getting them sick.. but I've seen how God is in control, and I keep reminding myself of that. I really, really hope that life goes back to normal soon, and that I can finish my Senior year at school with everyone. But for now I'm going to try to make the most out of this time and hope that everyone stays safe & healthy!

Looking Back By: Lynette Froiland

The past few weeks have delivered many changes for the students and staff of LCHS and in our country.

When I left LCHS the afternoon of Wed., March 11, I never dreamed the events that were about to unfold. My Mom had been fighting pneumonia for a couple of weeks and had gone into the Dr the day before, upon which they admitted her to the hospital. By Wed. p.m. she was being flown with my Dad to the Billings Clinic. My brother, and I drove that night from Glasgow to Billings.

Mom spent the next few days in ICU, during which the fear of COVID-19 became a reality. Those traveling were concerned they might not be allowed to get home and children were no longer allowed anywhere in the hospital. All sit-down restaurants closed.

Sun., Mar. 15, Mom was moved to a main floor room and ICU no longer al-

lowed ANY visitors. When Mom did not show expected improvements, she was put back in the ICU, and could NO longer have visitors. All visitors were now required to have their temps taken before proceeding into the building.

By Monday it was evident that Mom was not going to recover, so we were allowed into ICU with lots of handwashing & face masks. She was moved once again to the main floor of the hospital. It was then that we became aware of special, no reverse air flow, rooms for patients that had been tested for COVID-19. Nurses had to mask and gown up before entering these rooms. Those days were challenging and sad as Mom 'RAN' to Jesus in the wee hours of Wed., March 25, but P.T.L. her COVID-19 test was NEGATIVE!

Thank you for all of your prayers, sympathy, caring wishes and virtual hugs.

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large time window to spread the amount of people out, and keep the number of people in the sanctuary down to only ten people at a time. For the graveside service, my uncle rigged up a radio and connected it to a car and a microphone, to allow people to stay in their cars, but still be able to hear what was going on. This way we still had social distancing, but everybody who wanted to attend still could, and we didn't break any rules or regulations.

Overall I am just missing the presence of people and it's been the

stress that has been getting to me. With the workload getting way bigger, because I wasn't able to log on for a couple of days because we were dealing with funeral preparations I can barely keep my mind in check, and I honestly have broken down a couple of times. The slightest thing can trigger a breakdown, but it's great when I look at it because I have really truly learned the meaning of a good neighbor with all the support that we have received over the last couple of weeks and I would never ask to turn back time because of it. I have also learned how important family

really is, and that we really truly do need each other even though we can get on each other's nerves. Talking just to talk is the best way to release stress and make sure you let someone know when they are pushing the envelope because it only makes it worse if you hold it in and then blow the top later on.

To sum it all up I really hate the fact that COVID-19 even exists, because it has caused so much grief and problems, but I can't really complain because we have gotten through it all, and we are all still somewhat sane.

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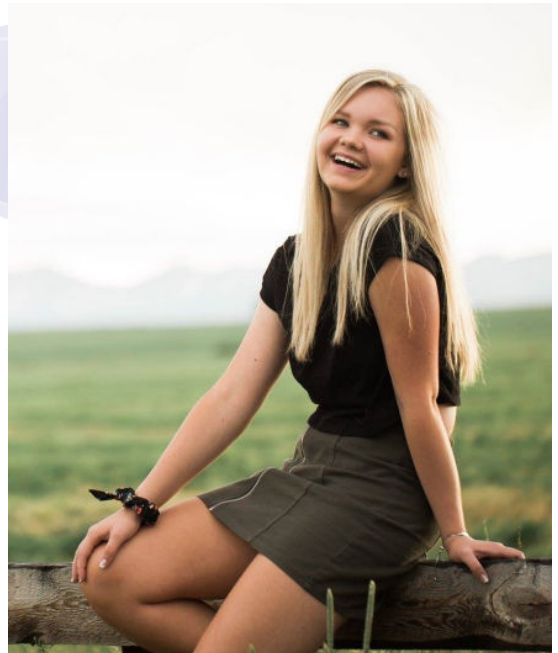
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Senior Star - Lily Short

Nicknames: Lil

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Favorite Drink: Cranberry Grape juice

Favorite Food: Steak and Mac & Cheese

Favorite Subjects: Math and Bible

If you could do anything, what would it be?
Travel the world



Advice to Underclassmen:

Have fun & make tons of memories, because high school flies by

Future Plans: Go to college for a BSN

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LUSTRE SCHMECKFEST 2020

By: the Steering Committee

Friday, March 27, 2020 was “virtual Schmeckfest day” and we won’t be talking about how many came but about “how many stayed home”. We are very grateful for all the efforts given to it this far. We don’t have the setup and cleanup to do at school however there is plenty that has and still will be done. With this letter we hope to begin some sort of conclusion to Schmeckfest 2020. The four main areas of this would be the Auction, the Decorations, the Food, and the individual Cash Donations each of which brings its own profit to LCHS. Here is the plan for each of these.

The **Auction** is being switched to an online auction with items advertised and sold at a date to be announced. So, if you have items for this please continue to contact Jerry & Susan

Fast. The number of items, usually limited, may increase due to the change in setting for the auction. Raffle tickets are still available.

The **Decorations** will be sold through the web as well, which Shelley Keller and Brooke Holzrichter will be announcing as well.

As for the **Food**, the steering committee has, through donations, set aside 150 meals to be served in Glasgow to those needing “Meals-on-Wheels”. This food is currently in the freezer waiting for the state of emergency to subside and the helpers in Glasgow able to serve it. These meals will be given without charge at the discretion of the servers. If you wish to be a sponsor of this gift, please specify your donation for the “meals on wheels”.

Bake Sale will continue to gather food to conduct a sale with the balance of food donations which have been assigned for Serving as well as Bake Sale items. This does not include sauerkraut, Moos or soups unless by special request.

A **Bake Sale** will be conducted first in Lustre, then to other locations as needed. In the meantime, if you would like to place an order for items from the food line (verenika, gravy, cabbage rolls, zwiebach, perische, peppernuts, roast beef), please call 406-724-7150

As for the **cash contributions**, they are always welcome whether through Schmeckfest or direct to LCHS. Please remember the possibility of meals to be sponsored.

Stay tuned for dates and updates as this is a work in progress!

Thank you.

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