



# Lustre Links 2023

## Alumni/Booster Club Committee

**President:** Michael Brown (17)

**Vice President:** Austin Neufeld (14)

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Jean Schmidt (67) Toews

**Asst. Secretary/Treasurer:** Kaitlyn Toavs (18) Brown

### From the President:

Hello from Lustre, Montana! It seems crazy but 2023 is nearly over, which means it is time for another Lustre Links. This year has been a relatively quiet one for the Alumni Booster Club, with no reunions or basketball tournaments to host. Still we have been blessed to see the school continue to flourish with some new students and many others returning.

The Alumni Booster Club has been involved with one major project this year: a new stainless-steel sink and countertop for the kitchen at the high school. The existing countertops were damaged by water around the sinks. We were able to contribute to this project so that the kitchen can continue to be used for feeding the dorm and concessions. The upcoming project is to build more trophy cases. Go Lions!

Once again, we are enrolled with the "Friends of Reynolds" program. This program helps raise funds for local organizations, including the LCHS Alumni Booster Club. Every time you buy groceries at Reynolds Market in Glasgow, they will contribute the rewards earned to us. This program has brought in over \$1,000 so far. Thank you to those that are using the program. If you have questions about this program, please feel free to contact us. For everyone following our sports teams on NFHS, thank you for sponsoring our school. This has brought in over \$1,500 to date.



I would like to thank you all for your prayers and support of Lustre Christian High School now, in the past, and in the future. Without your involvement in the booster club and the high school itself, the school would not be able to function as it currently does. May God bless you all during this Christmas season as we dwell on the birth of Jesus Christ, our Savior.



Sincerely,  
**Michael Brown (17)**



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO BAKER'S JEWELRY FOR DOING ALL OF THE ENGRAVING FOR OUR \$100 CLUB. THANK YOU, HARVEY WALL (78)

(ff) former faculty  
(f) faculty  
(fs) former student  
(b) booster  
LBA/LCHS graduates have graduate year following name



# Future Alumni

**Daniel Finn** was born June 5, 2022, to **James (08) & Cassandra Dirks (07) Robison**. He joins a brother James Liam. James works at Mid-Rivers.

**Kinsley Grace** was born December 28, 2022, to **Chad (08) & Jackie Forest of Richland, MT**. He farms with his dad. She joins one brother Easton.

**Feimond Ray** was born March 9, 2023, to **Sterling (09) & Jackie Mullet** of Sidney, MT. He works for the oilfield, and they have the Sunrise Coffee Shop in Sidney. He joins a sister Faith.

**Roanne** was born March 22, 2023, to **JinWoo Edmund (10) and Seulgi Lee in Wonju Korea**. Lee is developing curriculum for English students.

**Jett Caleb** was born April 28, 2023, to **Austin (14) & Madison Neufeld** of Larslan, MT. Austin works with Neufeld Farms. He joins a brother Lake.

**Scarlett Ann** was born May 3, 2023, to **Clint and Shelby Reddig (17) Norcutt of Lustre, MT**. Clint works at Burlington Northern.

**Charlotte Joy** was born to **Matthew (04) & Amanda Unrau** on June 30, 2023. They live in Madison, WI where he is a photographer, and she is a speech therapist.

**Kobe Raye** was born July 5, 2023, to **Reuben (fs) & Tiffany Neufeld (12) Garner of Lustre**. He joins a brother Jace and a sister Blakely. Reuben works for Macon Construction.

**Zion** was born October 29th, 2023, to **Karlyle & Ana Rodriguz (09) Ross**. He joins brothers Tadiwa and Zaire and sister Zemora. Ana works at Milwaukee VA Medical Center as an Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist. Her husband is a college basketball coach.

## Class of 2023



**Gabe Alues**: working in automation to become a programmer in the oil industry in New Mexico.

**Sally Arai**: working in London, Ontario while also participating in the London Skating Club.

**Alexandar Chen**: attending University of Rochester in New York majoring in General Biology.

**Bryan Chen**: attending University of Rochester in New York majoring in General Biology.

**Braden Ewing**: attending MSUB in Billings, MT majoring in Health and Human Performance.

**Rodas Gebreyohannes**: attending North Seattle College in Seattle, WA majoring in Computer Science.

**Jasiah Hambira**: attending Minot State University in North Dakota majoring in Business & competing on the track team.

**Elijah Lenihan**: working full time on his YouTube channel in Lustre, MT.

**Mana Okamoto**: working on an organic farm while taking a gap year.

# In Loving Memory



**Harvey Fast** passed away November 19, 2022, in Glasgow, MT. He served on the LCHS School Board and helped on many building projects including the dorm and the new gymnasium. He leaves behind 4 children **Shirley Fast (71) Nasner, Joan Fast (73) Unger, Jean Fast (73) Joiner, Warren Fast (78)** and 10 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

**Eunice Toavs (56) Wiens** passed away January 3, 2023, at their home in Lustre, MT. She leaves behind her husband **Bill (56)**, four children **Kayleen Wiens (77) Fagerstrom, Charlotte Wiens (78) Phlieger, Russell Wiens (88) and Baron Wiens (82)**, 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. She loved working with food and fabric, especially quilting. Schmeckfest 2023 **Eunice, Gladys Fast and Carol Neufeld** were honored for the many quilts they did over the years for Schmeckfest.

**Linda Rahn (69) Siewing** passed away January 7, 2023, in Aberdeen, SD. She leaves behind a son, Joshua.

**Marian Peters (55) Kesterke** passed away June 22, 2023, from pneumonia in Trochu Alberta Canada. She leaves behind a son, two daughters and 6 grandchildren.

**Philip Kliewer (68)** passed away on September 25, 2023, in Atkinson, NE. He leaves behind his wife Kathy, four children and 14 grandchildren. He taught Band and Choir at West Holt High School for 39 years. His two passions in his life were Jesus and music.

**Daryl Toews (67)** passed away September 30, 2023, in Glasgow, MT. He leaves behind his wife **Jean Schmidt (67)** and three daughters **Jon & Laurie Toews (95) Klippenes, Curt (01) & Lisa Toews (00) Neufeld, Marshall (04) & Luanne Toews (05) Mullet** and 8 grandchildren. He was a dorm parent, served on the school board, and was the first International Representative serving 17 years for LCHS. He was the first LCHS alumni to serve as a Montana State Senator.

## FOUNDATION BOARD

**KEITH UNGER (71)**

**GRANT ZERBE (77)**

**WILBUR UNRAU (68)**

The annual LCHS Foundation Heritage Dinner was held on October 5<sup>th</sup> at LCHS. **Keith Unger (71)** opened the evening with a video greeting from the MB Foundation followed by a short financial report. Our guest speaker was **Sandro Dorsainvil (14)**. Sandro spoke about his life while attending here in Lustre. His talk included a power point presentation speaking of his college years and the work of El Roi Outreach International. Numerous door prizes were given, and the evening was very well attended.

THIS WAS ALSO THE YEARLY KICKOFF FOR THE ANNUAL LCHS FOUNDATION 100 CLUB WHICH IS OPEN TO ALL WHO SUPPORT LCHS FOUNDATION WITH A GIFT OF \$100 OR MORE.

**For more information on high school happenings visit**

[www.lustrechristian.org](http://www.lustrechristian.org)

## From the LCHS AD Randy Reddig (00)

I was asked by the alumni committee to give you a brief summary of the sporting seasons from the last year. There were some very exciting times for Lustre Christian. The basketball season of the 22-23 year kicked off on November 17. Both girls (coached by **Bill Reddig (98)** & **Sadie Brown (19)**) and boys (coached by **Randy Reddig (00)** & Justyn Klatt) had higher goals than the previous year. The boys had a heart breaker the year before to get to state, losing in the Divisional challenge game in overtime. The girls were looking to build off a year that they missed out on making the Divisional tournament. With higher expectations for both teams the seasons got underway. Both teams continued to improve throughout the seasons. The boys finished the regular season 18-0 and the number 1 seed in the District tournament and being ranked #1 in the state C poll for the first time!

The girls entered the District tournament with the 3<sup>rd</sup> seed with an eye on a Divisional tournament berth. The girls entered the District tournament 3<sup>rd</sup>. After a tough road through the tournament, losing in the semis to Scobey and battling their way back. They had the performance of the season in the consolation game, and in dominating fashion advanced to the Divisional tournament. The girls ran into some tough competition at Divisional and after 2 hard fought games, their season came to an end. Very proud of the improvement the girls showed and how they represented LCHS.

The boys entered Districts undefeated and cruised into the championship game and faced the Scobey Spartans. This was the toughest test to date seeing the boys down by as many as 11 points in the fourth quarter. The boys roared back in the last 4 minutes to win Districts by 1 point. This is the first boys' championship at Districts since 2014.

The boys moved on to Divisionals 20-0 with a big target on their back. The competition continued to get better with difficult games at every stage. The opening round the boys were taken to overtime where they finally triumphed by 4. In the semifinals the opponent was the Froid/Lake Redhawks who beat the Lions in the semifinals the year before to push the boys into the loser bracket at Divisionals. The boys remembered the feeling and beat the Redhawks 44-31. This victory set up a rematch with the Fairview Warriors who ended their season the previous year. The Lions looked down and out as the final quarter began with the boys down 11. The boys again kept the faith and roared back and won the Divisional Championship 51-50 in the final moments. The Lions advanced to their first State appearance in school history. State was held in Billings and the fan support was absolutely amazing! There were many comments from other fan bases on the number of people we had supporting us. Alumni came from all over the country and was a great time to catch up with those that played in years past. The boys dropped their first game and then came back to beat Lone Peak in loser out action the second day. The season was ended by Belt, but we all were very proud of the accomplishments of this team ending the season 24-2. More importantly the glory was given to God and we are very thankful for the ride He took us all on!

As soon as State basketball was over, track (coached by Lynn Unrau, **Brooke Toews (00)** **Holzrichter**, **Becca Unger (00)** **Reddig**) started the next Monday. The boys track team also went on an unbelievable run. They competed in points at every meet they entered, many times beating most of the class A teams that were competing. The boys went on to win the District and Divisional meets. The boys then competed at the State C meet in Laurel. The first days the boys had a bit of a slow start. The second day ended up being an unbelievable day. The 4x100 relay team of Jasiah Hambira, Braden Ewing, Terran Joseph, and Johnlee Pierre went on to win state. Jasiah Hambira also won the high jump with a jump of 6'-4". Johnlee Pierre won the 300m hurdles with a come from behind run. The boys finished in fourth place just barely out of the trophies. Very proud of these young men.

The 23-24 year began with the girls volleyball team. The Lady Lions had a turnaround season to definitely be proud of. After a couple of difficult years, the girls under the leadership of Mary Zerbe and **Kaitlyn Toavs (18)** **Brown** had a very successful season. According to Coach Mary, the goals for the year were to "rewrite their volleyball legacy". The ladies achieved this with a "we before me" attitude and they improved throughout the year. The ladies finished with a very good performance at the District tournament winning 2 matches before ending their season with an 8-10 record. Everyone is very proud of the work all involved put in and how they represented LCHS.

We had 3 boys play football with the Wolf Point Wolves. They enjoyed their time and improved immensely throughout the season.

This past year, it was great to be a Lion! We thank everyone for their support! All glory to God! Go Lions!



## Academic Olympic Team 2023

LCCHS Academic Olympic team took 1st place overall. The team had no seniors and was made up of Cayden Klatt (Junior), Ifeanyiichukwu Aniobi (Junior), Mason Hilkemann (Sophomore), Rachel Pew (Sophomore), Emeka Aniobi (Freshman). Mason Hilkemann was the top sophomore overall, and Emeka Aniobi was the top freshman overall. In this competition the top ten students in each subject are honored. Lustre earned 5 in Math, 4 in Science, 3 in English, and 3 in Social Studies.

**Congratulations and keep up the hard work in the classroom!**

## MUSIC FESTIVAL

Both the band and choir earned superior ratings for their performances at the District Music Festival. LCCHS was able to send 9 different numbers to the State Music Festival. Out of these 7 received Superior Ratings.

**Congratulations to our musicians and teachers!**



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### From the Board Chairman:

It's an honor and privilege to serve on the Board with a group of God centered men. Please continue to keep the Board in your prayers as we make decisions that would glorify God within LCCHS. We have an exemplary staff this year who all love Jesus. God provides in His timing and the Board is thankful for each staff member.

The Board would like to take this time to thank you for the support the Alumni/Booster Club has contributed to LCCHS, both financially and with acts of service. LCCHS is blessed to have men and women who donate their time to keep LCCHS operating and moving forward. There are too many people to list but I would like to say a special thanks to **Ron Olfert (68)**, who donated many hours and resources working on the LCCHS campus grounds this summer.

Seven foreign countries are currently represented in LCCHS this year: South Korea, Brazil, Haiti, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Turks & Caicos Islands, and the Bahamas. The truly exciting news is three dorm students came to know Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior over the past year, two of which Pastor Frank Lenihan baptized.

God is working within LCCHS. It is evident to the Board He is working within our Staff, Students, and Community. The Board is truly thankful for everyone that invests and contributes to LCCHS.

**Curt Neufeld (01)**

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## Alumni News

**Zach Brown (19) graduated from MSU-Northern with a degree in Agri Mechanics. He is working on Brown Farms in Lustre.**

Sadie Brown (19) graduated from Miles City Community College with an Associates of Science Degree in Animal Science. She works for High Prairie Veterinary Services in Wolf Point, MT.

**Olivia Brown (20) graduated from Gallatin College with Healthcare Administration in May 2023. She is currently working in Bozeman, MT.**

Megan Fast (20) graduated from Bismarck State College with an Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology and an Associate in Science. She has a job at Intermountain Health in Billings, MT as a surgical technologist.

**Clayton Zerbe (02) has been an MOA basketball ref for high school and college for 20 years.**

Who are the Thompson Twins? Tina and Tony are preteens from MN who are known for being friendly, clever, and particularly good at solving puzzles. They are also very good at solving mysteries, which means people often turn to them for help when something is missing. Heidi Wall (94) Burns and co-author Michael MacBride started this series because they both had young readers at home. The Thompson Twins series is built around iconic MN locations to expose readers to new places, to learn more about MN and its history and to practice their creative thinking skills by helping solve mysteries. Thompson Twins official website:

<https://www.ttmysteries.com/the-books>

**Jason Baker (91) recently completed training to become a DARE officer. The program's primary focus is to reach 5th and 6th grade students. Jason is a Roosevelt deputy in Wolf Point, MT.**

Kyle Pederson (20) is currently in his last semester at Rocky Mountain College and will be graduating in the spring with a bachelor's degree in aeronautical science. He has already received his private pilot's license, instrumental rating and commercial pilot license. Now he is working on becoming a certified flight instructor.

**Douglas Toavs (70) retired from his position as E-Philanthropy Strategist at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul/Minneapolis, MN. Doug also serves on the Board of Managers for the Comfort Lake - Forest Lake Watershed District.**



## WEDDINGS



*Tom Leland (12) & Emily Garcia were married June 17, 2022, in Denver, CO. They live in the Denver area. Tom is a portfolio specialist and Emily is an accounting manager.*

*Ron Reddig (74) & Kate Davis were married April 29, 2023, in Billings, MT. They are making their home between Lustre and Billings. They share 18 grandchildren.*

*Evan Bartel (16) & Kaylena Atnip were married in Cody, WY on July 15, 2023. They live in Cody and both work at Cody Regional Health EMS. Evan works as an EMT-Advanced and Kaylena is a paramedic. Evan is currently enrolled in Northwest College's paramedic program.*

*Mikaela Uchtman (13) & Jimmy Reum were married September 1, 2023. She is employed with the Frazer and Wolf Point Postal Service, and Jimmy works for ProBuild. They live in Wolf Point, MT.*

*McKenzie Teichroew (16) & Alex Yeska were married November 17, 2023, in Saco, MT. They farm and ranch by Saco.*

# LCHS 2023-24

## SCHOOL BOARD

CURT NEUFELD (01) – CHAIRMAN/SECURITY  
BILL REDDIG (98) – VICE CHAIRMAN/YARD  
MIKE HILKEMANN – HOUSING  
KELLY TOAVS – SECRETARY/FINANCE  
JUSTYN KLATT – SCHOOL BUILDING  
CLAYTON ZERBE (02) - TRANSPORTATION  
JARED HOLZRICHTER – TECHNOLOGY/PROMOTION

## STAFF

RIC CATTELL – ADMINISTRATOR  
DAN MARASCO – BIBLE, CHOIR, BAND  
EMILY DELA CRUZ – ENGLISH 9-12, DRAMA  
EMILY EGGAR (19) – MATH  
KENDALL ROSS – SOCIAL STUDIES  
NICKY HILKEMANN - SCIENCE  
TRISHA BYRNE (FS) REDDIG – ART  
SAREL MATTHEYSER - TECHNOLOGY  
LYNETTE TRIMBLE (80) FROILAND – SECRETARY  
LYNN UNRAU – LCHS TREASURER, TRACK COACH  
EILEEN BAERG (65) TRAEHOLT - CUSTODIAN  
BERNIE & DEB SCHWARTZENDRUBER – DORM PARENTS  
TORRI BELL – SCHOOL COOK  
MARY ZERBE, KAITLYN BROWN (18) – GVB  
RANDY REDDIG (00), JUSTYN KLATT – BBB  
BILL REDDIG (98), SADIE BROWN (19) – GBB  
ANGIE REDDIG (93) SMITH – INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
PASTOR FRANK LENIHAN - CHAPEL COORDINATOR

## DORM COMMITTEE

\*AUSTIN (14) & MADISON NEUFELD  
BOB & GRETCHEN WALL (95) SCHILLER, WES (FF) & JOY YOUNG

## Schmeckfest 2023 Committee

\*Curt (01) & Lisa Toews (00) Neufeld  
Bob (89) & Yvonne Brown  
Bill (98) & Trisha (fs) Byrne Reddig  
Brant (99) & Lynn Unrau

Over \$100,00 was raised for the school and 640  
people were served!

Save the Date  
Schmeckfest  
March 23, 2024

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LCHS:**

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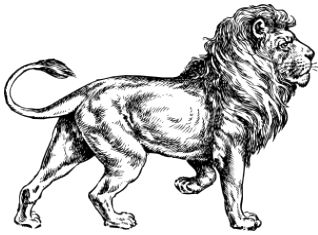
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# The Newest Lifetime Members

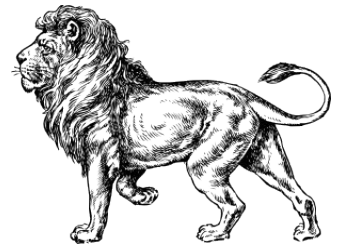
Marty Smith (b)  
Melanie Erickson (ff)  
Brandon Reddig (96)  
Jennifer Neufeld (95) Reddig

Wayne Bergen (ff)  
Connie Bergen (b)  
Mary Leland (81) Cunningham

\*All Lifetime Members are displayed on a plaque in LCHS hallway.



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