

Lustre Christian High School

The Tumbleweed

Nails and Grocery Store Baggers by Abby Olfert

On December 5th, Mr. Burkhart gave a chapel on the powerful effects of your words. He started by having a student read Colossians 1:9-10, "For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of His Will through all the wisdom and understanding the Spirit gives so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God." He then demonstrated this concept on a piece of

wood by pounding several different nails into it. The first nail was very small, but he pounded it deep into the board. This nail seemed unimportant; however, it was difficult to remove. The next nail was temporary; it was shallow and

didn't affect the wood very much. The third nail was rusty and bent. It went in and was easy to pull out. The following two were not so easy. Mr. Burkhart put a screw in the board next, along with a tall, skinny nail. These two did not come out. They were stuck in the wood forever. Though the rest of the nails were removed, they still left scars – just like words. Mr. Burkhart reminded the students that their words are powerful and to be careful with them. He then shared a story about a grocery



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store bagger named John with Down's Syndrome. John decided that he wanted to make a difference, so he went home and, with his parent's help, found verses of encouragement to put in the customers' bags. He made sure to greet each one with kindness and be genuinely interested in them. Soon, everyone wanted to be in John's checkout line. The other clerks and baggers had nothing to do because everybody was in John's line. Mr. Burkhart challenged the students to be encouragers and to use their words to build each other up, not tear others down.

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Colossians 1:10 (NKJV)

LCHS Christmas Concert by Mason Hilkemann

On December 3rd, 2024, family and friends, parents and grandparents, teachers, and community members attended the LCHS Christmas Music Concert. The night started with the LCHS band, directed by Pastor Wayne Hathaway. The band played a few Christmas songs as well as a couple of pep band songs that they had been working on. These gathered in the Lustre Christian High School gym to watch a delightful mix of traditional and nontraditional



songs, including Christmas on Broadway, The Battle Belongs to the Lord, and A Christmas Collage. After the band played, the choir started and sang a couple of nontraditional songs as well. Along with the wonderful group songs, a few solos were performed by TJ Cumpio, Christopher Traeholt, and Holly Hilkemann, to name a few. Overall, it was an excellent show for the audience, and we are so grateful to Pastor Hathaway for volunteering for the director job and helping the students improve their musical skills.

The Lost Knight by Rachel Pew

On December 10th, the Lustre Christian High School Drama Class held their play at 7:00 p.m. in the Lustre Grade School Gym. This year, the play was written by Lustre's very own Justice Byers and Sheila Jones. The play is titled "The Lost Knight" and follows the main character, Sir Blaze, the Nutcracker, on a journey to discover the truth about the toymaker. Sir Blaze travels to many kingdoms throughout the journey and makes new friends. These friends include Jubilee the doll, played by Justice Byers; Jaazaniah the Wooden Toy, played by Johnslée Pierre; and Rose the stuffed toy, played by Sheila Jones. At the end of their journey, they encounter the

toymaker, and the friends realize that the toymaker is real and that they should spread the word to the other toys. The play ends with the song Pure Imagination. Special thanks are given to Mrs. Matthyser for allowing the play to be held at the grade school. Thanks are also given to Mr. Burkhart and the LCHS staff for their patience and understanding throughout the many play rehearsals. Thanks are also given to Mr. Matthyser for his tech help and to Sheila and Justice for writing the play. Most importantly, we thank God that the play was a success and that we could have such an incredible performance.

Seniors & Juniors shared about their Missions trip to Billings

by Katie Calderon

For our chapel this week, we shared about our trip to Billings, which took place last month. Our trip was based on service projects. Our missions took place at the campus of Montana Bible College. During this trip, we did a good amount of service work and did many projects, including raking a lot of

leaves, organizing rocks, and washing windows. We also had the privilege of attending a college class at the campus. We also attended a few off-campus activities. The main one was organizing the pantry and canned goods at the homeless shelter. After-

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wards, we enjoyed attending a college basketball game at MSU Billings. During this chapel, we also shared that even though this trip was given short

notice, we still learned a lot, and all of the students agreed they would have liked to stay longer. And had a great time serving God and walking worthy.

Meet Kayden! by Meredith Valentine

This past week, I had the honor of interviewing Kayden Charette, one of the new freshmen. At the beginning of the interview, he stated that his favorite thing about Lustre was Basketball (like almost every boy in this High School). Later on in the interview, I asked him who he looked up to as he was going through his high school journey, and he stated very clearly that it was our very own Mason Hilke-mann. He hopes to be able to successfully pass his Freshman year without having any bad grades. Kayden has a relatively small family, he lives with his parents and his two brothers, Hayes and Isaiah. His favorite food is chicken sandwiches; in his words, “



The chicken sandwiches at McDonalds used to be good, and now they are not the best.” When coming into high school, he expected longer days but quickly realized that our days were the same length as the grade school. Mr. Matthyser had me ask him how long it took him to curl his hair every morning; Kayden proceeded to laugh, with his response being, “What, Why?” Eventually, he told me he used water and soap in the morning because they were fake. We are all excited to have Kayden in Lustre Christian High School this year, so make sure if you see him around, you give him a warm Lustre welcome

Incoming Freshman Kenny (KJ) Brown by Jaden Gibson

One of the students joining the high school this year as a freshman, though not a new face, is KJ Brown. In addition to KJ, his sister Kencia is also a freshman this year. KJ also has two other siblings, Sadie and Levi. He also has a dog named Bailey. KJ's favorite class so far is science, and he is looking forward to basketball. He says high school is about how he expected it to be: hard work but lots of fun. His favorite Bible verse is Isaiah 41:10, which says, “So do not fear, for I



am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” One goal that KJ has for the year is to grow a mustache. KJ wants to work at Foot Locker when he is older, and in his free time, he likes to eat, sleep, and buy shoes. His favorite color is yellow, and his favorite movie is American Sniper. Check-in with KJ and say hi if you see him around the school or at a basketball game.

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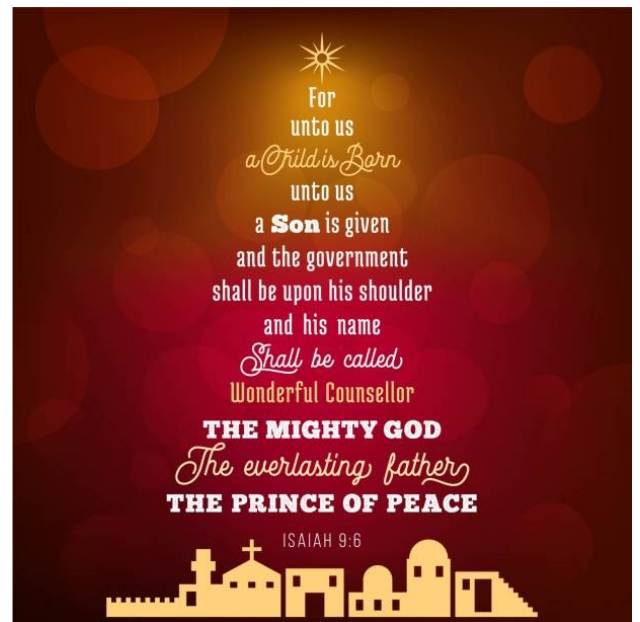
Wheeler Damboise by Jaden Gibson

Another incoming Lustre Lion this 2024 - 2025 school year is Wheeler Damboise. Wheeler is a familiar face, coming up from grade school. Wheeler's favorite high school class so far is lunch; this year, he is looking forward to the upcoming Christmas break. Wheeler's favorite Bible verse is Romans 8:28, which says, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." In his free time, Wheeler likes to hang out with his friends and family. After high school, Wheeler wants to work in law enforcement. If he could go an-



nywhere in the world on vacation, he would go to Spain. Wheeler says that not much is different in high school from what he was expecting and that he didn't have many expectations. Wheeler's favorite place to eat is Eugene's. His favorite movie is Baby Driver, and his favorite song is Neon Light Speed by John Pardi. If he had any superpower, Wheeler would choose to be able to teleport so that he could go anywhere in the world. Say hi the next time you see him around the school or at a game, and make sure to come out and support your Lions #30 Wheeler Damboise at the next home game.

FRESHMAN YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL



FRESHMAN

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SPORTS

Lady Lions Start the Weekend Out 2-0 by Byron Ewing

The weekend of the 6th and 7th December 2024, the basketball season kicked off for both Lustre Lions teams at the class C showcase in Glasgow. On day one, the Lady Lions faced the Plevna Cougars for their season opener. This was a chance for the ladies to show what they have this season, and they did not disappoint! The whistle blew, and the game was on the way, but the Lions got off to a slow start and struggled to find their rhythm as it was their first game of the season. At the end of the 1st quarter, the Lions only led by 3 (11-8 Lustre). In the 2nd quarter, the Lady Lions started to pick up the momentum and knock down a few more shots, causing the lead to grow and having the score at halftime read 27-19 Lustre. The Lions did not let up either; coming out of halftime, they kept up their pace and made the score at the end of the 3rd read 42-27 Lustre. In the 4th quarter, the Lady Lions, although outscored by the Cougars, managed to keep a good score gap between them on the board and close



out their first game of the season with a W. Winning 53-45! On day 2, the Lady Lions traveled back to Glasgow to play against the JV Glasgow Scotties (who felt very confident as they had a home-court advantage). Soon, the game was on its way, and the ladies wasted no time getting a few points up on the board. Glasgow, however, would not make this an easy one for the Lions and stayed close to them for the entirety of the 1st quarter. At the end of the 1st, the Lions led by as little as 2. (14-12 Lustre). The 2nd quarter kicked off, and you could feel the intensity of the two teams. The Scotties still

would not let the Lions break away that easy. The score at the end of the first half read 25-19 Lustre. Soon, the 3rd quarter kicked off, and the Lady Lions stayed on top of the Scotties by ending the 3rd quarter 36-25. It was time for the 4th quarter, and the ladies made a statement by outscoring the Scotties 17-8! The Lions would go on to close this game out 53-35. Great job, Ladies.

Lions Roar in Glasgow by Clay Reddig

The weekend of the 6th & 7th of December, the Lustre Lions showed out in the Glasgow Class C Showcase. On the Friday, they faced the Plevna Cougars. They did not know what to expect from this team, so they planned to go and play to the best of their abilities. The Lions instantly started shooting, and most of them went in. At the end of the 1st quarter, the score was 22-6. In the second quarter, they went on a huge run to go up 49-12. Starting the second half, the Lions quickly pushed the lead to 40, which meant a running clock. Considering the ending 3rd quarter score of 68-20, the running clock did not

slow them down too much. The fourth quarter went by fast, considering a lot of fouls and dead balls. The final score was 75-28. Johnslee led the scoring with 17 points, and Hadden backed him with 11. Cam and Joel also reached double digits with 10 points each. Saturday night, the Lions faced the Glasgow JV Squad. The Lions felt confident after getting their jitters out in their previous game and were ready to dominate. The Lions started out communicating on defense and diving for loose balls. This led to 2 Scottie shot clock violations in the first quarter and only 3

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points. After the 1st quarter, the Lions led 20-3. In the second quarter, the Lions kept going, pushing the lead to 43-11 at halftime. To start the second half, the Lions started in a 1-3-1 zone to try a different defense, which definitely slowed down their tempo. This was good in-game practice for the Lions defensively, though. After 3, the score was 56-15. The fourth



quarter came with a running clock and went by fast. The Lions came out with another big win of 68-23. The top scorers were Cam (14), Johnslee (13), and Prestyn (12). Johnslee also recorded ten rebounds, which gave him a double-double. This was a good weekend to see where the Lions were before their big weekend in Manhattan. Thank you so much, Lions fans, for your continued support and cheering!

Lady Lions Go 1-1 in Manhattan by Clay Reddig

Last weekend, the Lady Lions made a business trip down to Manhattan. This was roughly an 8-hour drive before their first game against a Class B team, the Manhattan Tigers. The game started off slow and you could clearly see the ladies were tired from traveling. Although the ladies were tired, they still managed to take the lead after the 1st quarter (11-7). Our ladies started breaking the Tiger's press in the second quarter with ease and ran the score up to 26-16 at the end of the first half. To start the second half, Manhattan stopped pressing and just played half-court defense. This clearly helped to slow our girls down, and the Tigers looked like the better team entering the fourth quarter. The score after 3 was 28-23, with our girls still leading. After having a bad third quarter, the Lady Lions were ready to put this game to bed. They outscored the Tigers in the fourth and went on to win 40-30. Kencia did most of the work offensively with 21 points. Saturday night they faced the Manhattan Christian Lady



Eagles in Churchill. The Eagles started the game immediately with a very physical press, which the Lady Lions were not ready for. They kept up and went on a later first-quarter run to put the score at 10-15, favoring the Eagles. The second quarter was the same story, and the score was 20-29 after 2. The second half came around, and the Lady Eagles were too much for our Ladies. They went on a 12-0 run, and then they swapped buckets at the end of the quarter. After 3 quarters of intense play, the Eagles led 22-43. The fourth quarter went pretty even, but the Lady Lions did not have enough left in the tank to come back. The final scoreboard read 51-27. Lauryn Holzrichter led the ladies with 10 points this game backed by Kencia with 9 and Hannah with 6. Huge shout out to the ladies for playing hard 'til the end on both nights and coming out with one win on the weekend against the tough competition.

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The Lions' Roar Shakes the Eagles' Nest *By Abby Olfert*

This past weekend, the Lions basketball team traveled to Bozeman, Montana, to compete against the Manhattan Tigers and the Manhattan Christian Eagles. On Friday the 13th, the Lustre Lions took on the Tigers. The boy's game started well, with the Lions taking an early lead. At halftime, the Lions had pulled away with a score of 37 to 10. They went on to win the game 70 to 37. Johnlee Pierre led in scoring with 15 points. Cam Reddig and Byron Ewing were close behind him with 12 points each. The other scorers for the Lions were Prestyn Klatt with 10, Diek Olfert with 7, Joel Reddig with 5, Clay Reddig with 4, Hadden Olfert with three, and Nathan Fast with 2 points. The next day, the Lions competed against the Manhattan Christian Eagles. Our boys played hard, but the score stayed close, with the Eagles up by three at



halftime. The Lions kicked it in and pulled ahead by two points. The clock wound down, and Manhattan made a quick basket to put the game into overtime, tied at 51 – 51. The Lions played their hearts out in overtime, taking home the victory with a final score of 62 to 55. Byron Ewing, who had 15 points, was the leading scorer for this game. Also contributing to the score were Prestyn Klatt with 13 points, Clay Reddig with 11, Cam Reddig and Johnlee Pierre with 9, and Joel Reddig with 5 points. The Lions look forward to seeing Manhattan Christian again at state, so be sure to come and cheer them on during the rest of the season.

Trivia Questions:

1. What's the diameter of a basketball hoop in inches?
2. The Olympics are held every how many years?
3. Where will the 2028 Summer Olympics be held?
4. Which boxer fought against Muhammad Ali and won?
5. Who is the all-time leading scorer in NBA history?
6. Which player scored 100 points in a single NBA game?















Answers:

1. 18 inches.
2. 4 years.
3. Los Angeles.
4. Joe Frazier.
5. LeBron James, with 40,474 points.
6. Wilt Chamberlain, on March 2, 1962.

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 <p>1 "God sent the angel Gabriel to a girl named Mary." Luke 1:26</p>	<p>2 "The angel said to her, 'Don't be afraid, because God is very pleased with you.'" Luke 1:30</p> 	<p>3 ★ "Listen! you will become pregnant and have a baby boy. You will name him Jesus." Luke 1:31 ★</p>	<p>4 "He will be great. People will call him the Son of the Most High God." Luke 1:32</p> 
<p>5 ★ "Mary said, 'I am the Lord's servant. Let this thing you have said happen to me!'" Luke 1:38 ★</p>	<p>6 "Caesar sent out an order... that everyone's name must be put on a list." Luke 2:1</p> 	<p>7 "Everyone traveled to their hometowns to have their name put on the list." Luke 2:3</p> 	<p>8 "So Joseph went to the town of David because he was from the family of David. Joseph registered with Mary." Luke 2:4-5</p> 
<p>9 "While Joseph and Mary were in Bethlehem, the time came for her to have the baby. She gave birth to her first son." Luke 2:6-7</p> 	<p>10 ★ "There were no rooms left in the inn. So she wrapped the baby with cloths and laid him in a box where animals are fed." Luke 2:7 ★</p>	<p>11 "That night, some shepherds were in the fields nearby watching their sheep." Luke 2:8</p> 	<p>12 "An angel of the Lord stood before them. The glory of the Lord was shining around them." Luke 2:9</p> 
<p>13 "The angel said to them, 'Don't be afraid, because I am bringing you some GOOD News!'" Luke 2:10</p> 	<p>14 "Today your Savior was born in David's town. He is Christ, the Lord." Luke 2:11</p> 	<p>15 "This is how you will know him: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a feeding box." Luke 2:12</p> 	<p>16 ★ "All the angels were praising God, saying, 'Give glory to God in heaven, and on earth let there be peace to the people who please God.'" Luke 2:13-14 ★</p>

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<p>17 "So the Shepherds went quickly and found Mary, Joseph, and the baby." Luke 2:16-17</p> 	<p>18 "Then the Shepherds went back to their sheep, praising God and thanking him for everything that they had seen & heard." Luke 2:20</p> 	<p>19 ★ "After Jesus was born, some wise men came from the east." Matthew 2:1 ★</p>	<p>20 "When the wise men saw the star, they were filled with joy." Matthew 2:10</p> 
<p>21 "They went to the house... and they bowed down and worshiped the child." Matthew 2:11</p> 	<p>22 "They gave him treasures of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11</p> 	<p>23 ★ "A child will be born to us. God will give a son to us. His name will be... Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6 ★</p>	<p>24 "For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son. God gave his Son so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life." John 3:16</p> 

Happy Birthday 25

JESUS!



"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"
2 Corinthians 9:15

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29 Dec	Lauren Holzrichter
17 Jan	Johnslee Pierre

LCHS Calendar

December

23 - Jan. 3 Christmas/Winter Break

January

3	BBB/GBB/ @ Frazer
4	BBB/GBB (H) Bainville
6	School Resume
10	BBB/GBB @ Dodson
11	BBB/GBB (H) Circle
17	BBB/GBB @ North Country



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**LUNCH MENU
& ACTIVITIES**

December:

23 - Jan 3 - Christmas/Winter Break

January:

3 - BBB/GBB @ Frazer


4 - BBB/GBB (H) Bainville

6 - School Resume

10 - BBB/GBB @ Dodson

11 - BBB/GBB (H) Circle

JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Winter Break			1 New Year's Day	2 No School	3 No School	4
5 School Starts Chicken Enchilada Soup	6 Chili Cheese Fries	7 BBQ Chicken Sandwich	8 French Toast	9 Pizza	10	11
12 Spaghetti	13 Nachos	14 Chicken Burgers	15 Chicken Alfredo	16 Meatball Subs	17	18
19 M L King Day Chicken Gravy & Rice	20 Taco in a Bag	21 Chicken Nuggets	22 Pancakes	23 Pizza Rounds	24	25
26 Curry Chicken	27 Tacos	28 KFC Bowls	29 White Lasagna	30 Pizza	31	1