



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“In His Time”

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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## Something to Consider:

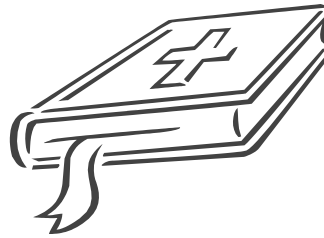
Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.

*Psalm 33:20*

Say you are in your backyard learning how to cast your new fishing rod. You encounter a problem, so you call an expert fisherman friend to come over and help. He arrives, takes the rod out of your hands, and says,

“I’ll take it from here. Go inside.” Walking up your back steps you hear him shout, “And from now on, don’t try casting this yourself. I’ll do all your casting for you.” As the screen door slams behind you, you think, *And all I wanted was some help.*

God is always there to help you, not to elbow you out of



your own life. When you think about it, you wouldn’t want it any other way.

## Charger Headlines:

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are scheduled for Thurs. and Fri., Oct. 23-24. Your child’s report card will be available at your scheduled meeting time. The following are ways to help you prepare for the conference:

1. Talk with your child before the conference regarding why there are conferences, seek ways to partner with the school, ask about any specific concerns regarding school-work or relationships with classmates.
2. Prepare questions such as, “Is my child meeting expectations for learning and behavior?, Does my child pay attention?, If my child is struggling what can we do to help the situation?”
3. Be ready to collaborate, not attack or defend! Teachers will give parents bad news because they want the child to do better. Remember the teacher has the child’s best interest in mind. Don’t get defensive, but indicate how we can partner with the school in finding a solution for improvement?.

4. If the teacher doesn’t offer positive information, ask directly! Remember teachers often only hear negative comments too. Be sure to try to offer a compliment, a thank-you, etc. to let the teacher know you appreciate what they are trying to do to help your child—even when it doesn’t seem to be working.

5. Don’t be afraid to ask questions if you don’t understand or feel your concerns are not being addressed. Conferences are just that, a time to interact with the teacher regarding your child. How you approach the conference will determine what you will benefit from the conference. Please remember the conference is the time to discuss matters and not elsewhere. If you have questions about conferences, please call and I will help so the conference will be positive for all involved.

### Welcome New Strings Teacher

The new strings teacher for GSLS is Mr. Philip Tinge. Philip graduated from SIU Edwardsville with Masters degrees in both vio-

lin and viola performance, and a specialization in Suzuki pedagogy. Philip has played with the Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra and has served as concertmaster since 1994. He played violin and viola with the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra, has been a substitute player for the Illinois Symphony on various occasions, and has played with the Lewis and Clark String Quartet. In 2004, Philip began teaching in the Education through Music program. Tinge Studios performing student group - "Phil'zHarmoniks" has performed and traveled many places, including yearly performances at places like Holiday World, Disney World, and he has toured parts of Europe with his advanced students.

"Music has an Impact!" Are you ready to make a change in someone's life?

Please consider joining the strings program at GSLS. More information will be coming soon.

### A Look Ahead

#### Saturday, October 4

-GSLS Golf Classic

-Girls C Volleyball Belleville Tournament Concludes

-Boys Baseball at SIJHSAA Regional

#### Sunday, October 5

-GSLS Harvest Fest 2:00-6:00pm

#### Tuesday, October 7

-Girls ACD Volleyball Home vs Zion Bethalto 5:30pm

#### Thursday, October 9

-NO SCHOOL SID Teachers' Conference

#### Friday, October 10

-NO SCHOOL SID Teachers' Conference

#### Monday, October 13

-NO SCHOOL Columbus Day



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# Charger Headlines Continues...

## **Reminder—GSLC Blood Drive**

The Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Drive will be held at Good Shepherd this Monday, October 6, from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Please consider donating for this worthy cause.

## **Harvest Fest**

This fun filled event will take place this Sunday, October 5 from 2-6 p.m.

## **Christmas Sales**

Our Christmas Sale ends on Wednesday, October 15th. Please contact Mrs. Schnicker in the school office with any questions, 344-3153.

## **Lunch Bills**

Lunch bills for September will be posted to accounts October 1st. Please note that lunch bills will be due with your next open invoice or October 25th, whichever is sooner.

## **ATTENTION ALL VETERANS:**

You are invited to a "Tribute to our Veterans" at Good Shepherd Lutheran School on Monday, November 10, at 2:00 in the school gym. The students of Good Shepherd would like to recognize you for all that you have done in serving our country. Let the church or school office know if you are or e-mail [princker@gslcs.org](mailto:princker@gslcs.org)

## **Segs4Vets:**

The students have done their walking for this special service project. You may now turn the envelopes in to your child's teacher or the office as soon as you have collected your donations. If you walked at home or outside of school, please note that on the envelope. We would like to have all money turned in by Friday, October 17, so we know how many miles walked and the amount donated.

## **Scholastic Book Fair**

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair is on October 28th-30th. The Book Fair is a great way to encourage reading! It also helps to build our school and classroom libraries. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair.

Shopping hours: 8:00-8:30 AM and 3:00-3:30 PM each day. Also, keep your eyes peeled for the volunteer form in the Friday Folders! We would really appreciate your help.

## **Medicine Distribution**

We will no longer be providing pain reliever or any other medicines to the students. Please send in a package of your preferred pain relief, etc. Please label with your child(ren's) name to be stored in the school office for their use only while at school. All medicines need to be taken to the school office for proper distribution. Please add new medications to your child's medicine file located in the school office. The authorization form for medication distribution is on the front page of our website.

Thank you for partnering with us.

## **Box Tops and Labels**

We ended the month of August with a total of 10,814 box tops and labels and added 1,300 box tops and labels for the month of September totaling 12,114 box tops and labels for this school year.

## **Chapel Offerings**

We collected over \$600 for the Hispanic Ministry from our Chapel offerings. Please pray for this ministry.

## **Ink Cartridges**

This year we are again collecting used ink jet cartridges as a fundraiser for our tech-

nology program. Please send them with your child and place them in the box located by the Scrip Office. Thank you for your support.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Brian L. and Tony S. for their success at the Illinois Junior Academy of Science 2014 State Fair. They have been invited to attend the IMSA Recognition Ceremony for Young Science Achievers on November 1, 2014. It is being hosted by the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy in Aurora, Illinois.

## **Charger Bucks-Scrip**

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, \* 17. (have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m.) Walk-up sales will resume on Fridays from 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. The Scrip Program is a tuition reduction program for Good Shepherd Lutheran School families and friends. We strongly encourage all Good Shepherd families to purchase their groceries, gasoline, clothing and other goods and services using the SCRIP gift certificates. 50% of your credits earned may go toward the reduction of your tuition or you may donate your credits toward Good Shepherd Lutheran School's General Fund. If you have any questions please contact the school office 344-3153. Tell your family & friends about this program.

## **Market Day**

Market Day pick-up day is this Monday, October 6th, from 3:15-4:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Thank you for your orders. Proceeds go to the class trip of 2015.

## In Our Prayers this Week:

Each week this school year, the faculty will be praying for the school families. Please remember these and others in your

prayers. The families of: Courtney B., Emma B., Carson C., Sarah F., Matthew H., Trevor P.,

MaryAnn R., and Anna R.

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The purpose of Good Shepherd Lutheran School is to provide each student with a quality Christian Education. We recognize that this begins with the premise that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and in Him we have eternal life. The curriculum and all activities are developed around this premise.

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# Retreads...

## Retakes & Fall Sports Pictures

October 3rd, sports pictures were taken before school: Baseball 7:00a.m., Cross Country 7:15 a.m., and Volleyball 7:30 a.m. All players need to be dressed in uniform and have picture order forms ready. If you are not having individual pictures taken, we still need a team picture. Please make sure your child is there and ready.

Individual retake picture began at 8:35am. Questions, please contact Mrs. Krause or Mrs. Batty.

**Harvest Fest – Sun., Oct. 5th** The event will take place on Sun., Oct. 5th from 2-6 p.m. If you are interested in helping, please call Carrie Kober at 618-346-1158 or at: ckrenning@hotmail.com.

There will be games, food, entertainment and attendance prizes. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the variety of foods including hamburgers, hotdogs, nachos, cotton candy, and much more! Kids can enjoy a photo booth, balloon animals, face-painting, bounce houses, fire truck, magician, wagon ride, a pumpkin patch, and there will be a special toddler area for the very young. Enter into the Chili Cook-off. Be sure and get an entry number for your chili when dropping it off in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a round of Bingo or Washer's Tournament. Everyone is welcome! Bring your family, friends, and lawn chairs.

There is no cost for the wristbands. However, a wristband is required for each adult and child meal. Please fill out the order form so we can make sure to prepare enough food for everyone. Wristbands can be picked up the day of the Harvest Fest.

## Christmas Holiday Sales

Our Christmas Holiday Fundraiser started Sept. 29th!! Please watch for your child(rens) packets to come home Monday. Make sure and check out the "to remember this" brochure for all your digital gift needs... Christmas cards, photo books, cards and more!! It's easy to share with family, friends and neighbors near and far... all sales are available on-

line at [www.gaschoolstore.com](http://www.gaschoolstore.com) with our school code: 2521714. Let's make this year a RECORD SALES YEAR!

## Papa John's Pizza Night

Papa John's Pizza Night was Mon., Sept. 29th. When you order from Papa John's regular menu or listed coupons during the School/Family Night Event, 20% of the sales will be donated back to our school. A pizza certificate will be rewarded to the teacher of the class that has the largest turnout. Thank you for supporting GSLS at Papa John's Pizza.

## Arrival in the Morning

Please be mindful of others when you drop off your child. You can drop off your child by the sidewalk area (yellow line) and let them walk to the front door. If it is inclement weather, dropping off by the front door may be preferred. This area is for quick drops, if you need more time, please pull into a parking space. Thank you for your consideration.

## MELHS Change Drive

We will hold a change drive in support of Metro East Lutheran High's Annual Benefit Auction Tues., Oct. 14th, through Friday, Oct. 17th. Gather up your "spare change" and drop it in the classroom containers. The class that collects the most per student will be treated to a pizza party. The MELHS Auction is on Friday, November 7th at the Double Tree Hotel in Collinsville.

## MELHS Craft Fair

MELHS is hosting a craft and vendor fair on Saturday, Nov. 1st from 9-4pm and Sunday, Nov. 2nd from 10 to 4pm.

If you are interested in participating by reserving a space/table, please contact MELHS at 618-656-0043 or by email at [craftfair@melhs.org](mailto:craftfair@melhs.org).

## We Need Your Pictures!

If anyone has taken or takes photos of an athletic, music, scouting, or other events, we would love to use them for the year-book! Please email your photos to:

[jbatty@gslds.org](mailto:jbatty@gslds.org) or [kkrause@gslds.org](mailto:kkrause@gslds.org).

## GSLS Golf Classic

Help support GSLS through a golf scram-

ble to be held October 4th at the Arlington Greens. Proceeds will go to the GSLS Technology Fund

Hole sponsorships and other donations are being collected. Contact John Graney at 618-304-2864 for more details or stop in the school office for the form. **GSLS**

## Home Party Vendor Fair Oct. 18

The Women's Day of Renewal (WDR) is sponsoring a Home Party Vendor Fair in the Fellowship Hall on October 18th.

This is an opportunity to shop a variety of home vendors, enjoy flavored coffees, breakfast treats, and the fellowship of other shoppers. Because the vendors generously share their profits for the day with WDR, this event helps to defray expenses and to provide funds for scholarships to WDR. Please contact the church office for more information. |

## Thanks for Your Support!

Thank you to all for supporting the 8th graders in purchasing "Italian" chicken breast sandwiches and using Ever's parking lot which helped us to earn \$5693.05. All Italian Fest proceeds will go toward their 2015 class trip to D.C.

Thank you to the Ever's family for donating their parking lot for use during the Italian Fest.