



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“In His Time”

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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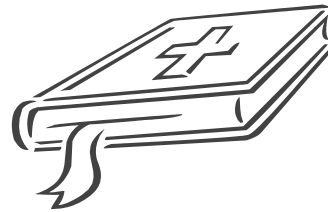
## Something to Consider:

Let your conduct be without covetousness, and be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” *Hebrews 13:5*

You may find contentment to be one of the more difficult Christian virtues to develop. Every day you are bombarded with advertising messages that,

by and large, seek to make you discontent so that you can be persuaded to fill your newfound need with some new possession.

Think of it this way: Contentment is a by-product of thankfulness. Set aside some time each day to thank God for all He has done for you. And verbalize your thanks. Count your blessings, one by one,



thanking God for each and every one. Soon you will have a new understanding of what you have, rather than what you don't have.

## Charger Headlines:

### Raising “Entitled” Children

This article is very important for you to read. You will find it on the front page of the school website, [www.gscls.org](http://www.gscls.org), under Recent News. As parents, God wants us to raise our little blessings according to scripture and not the world's standards. This article will give you insight to the world and the children that are growing up nowadays. My prayers are with you as you stay strong in the Word of God!

### GSLS Change Drive

Good Shepherd School Annual change drive is scheduled for January 5-16. The proceeds will help continue providing a quality Christian education at GSLS.

### Papa John's Pizza Night

Thank you for supporting GSLS at Papa John's Pizza. We will again be having our pizza night

Monday, December 15th.

### Winter Sports Pictures

Remember to wear your uniforms for the winter sports pictures which will be taken Thursday, January 22nd for the following teams: Girls B @ 3:20; Girls C @ 3:30; Girls D @ 3:40; Boys D @ 3:50; Boys C @ 4:00; Boys B @ 4:10; Boys A @ 4:20; and Girls A @ 4:30.

### Game Pictures Needed

If you have GSLS game pictures, please share them with Mrs. Batty or Mrs. Krause either through email or CD. Currently, we are lacking in pictures of all sports except cross country.

### Tardy Slips

Students arriving late to school must have a tardy slip to enter the classroom after the bell has rung. When you sign in your child, the student will be given a

tardy slip to take to the teacher. Arriving late due to an appointment, please bring an excuse from the doctor's or dentist's office.

### Benefit Soup Supper

Early last fall, Mr. Pritchard suffered kidney failure and was hospitalized, underwent dialysis, and was out of work for several weeks. The medical bills have piled up and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church would like to host a benefit to help the Pritchards with some of their expenses. There will be a soup supper on Wednesday, December 17, between the two Advent services starting at 5:30pm. A free offering will be taken. The church will also have a “love offering” at this weekend's services. You are invited to the soup supper or to help out in any way you would like.

### A Look Ahead

#### Monday, December 15

-Scrip Orders Due By 9:00am  
-Papa John's Pizza Night  
-Boys CD Basketball at Zion Belleville 6:30pm  
-Girls ABD Basketball Home vs. Zion Bethalto 5:30pm

#### Tuesday, December 16

-Gr. 3-8 Christmas Concert 7:00pm ; Band Pictures 6:00pm

#### Wednesday, December 17

-Advent Services 4:30 & 7pm

#### Thursday, December 18

-PS Christmas Parties  
-Boys AB Basketball Home vs Trinity Edwardsville 6:30pm

#### Friday, December 19

-Chapel 8:35am  
-No Lunch Served; No Milk  
-PS—Gr. 8 Christmas Parties  
-End of 2nd Quarter  
-Girls & Boys B Basketball Home vs First Baptist Academy 6:30pm

### Christmas Services

-Children's Sunday School Christmas Service  
12/21 6:00pm  
-Christmas Eve Services  
12/24 7:00pm, & 11:00pm  
-Christmas Day 12/25 9:00am  
-New Year's Eve  
12/31 7:00pm



# Charger Headlines Continues...

## Thank You – Donations

The following are donations that have been given to the school from June-December. We appreciate your willingness to help through our "Education in Excellence" program and through our designated envelopes.

Target \$736.48  
Recycling \$262.57  
Papa John's Pizza \$157.08  
GoodSearch.com \$64.42  
Undesignated \$606.00  
Scholarship \$1100.00  
Scholarship- Re-sell it shop \$759.00  
Scholarship-Book Covers \$300.00  
Technology-Golf Tournament \$4385.00  
LESA Grant - \$1230.00  
Library \$1520.00

## Lutheran Mass Band Concert

The Lutheran Mass (Combined schools) Band will include all 6-8th grade (no 5th graders) band students from Good Shepherd and will perform at the Metro East Lutheran High School Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 14th, 2014. The concert begins at 2:30 PM. All students need to

arrive at 1:45 PM to be seated etc. Students may dress in nice clothes of any color (our concert is black and white).

The Mass Band Rehearsal will be held on Saturday, December 13th, 2014 in the MELHS Multi-Purpose Room from 12:00-1:30 PM. The MELHS address is 6305 Center Grove Road in Edwardsville, Illinois.

## Charger Bucks – Scrip

We only have one weekly order date left before Christmas - Dec. 15th. Plan ahead and order for gifts and entertaining. Please have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m.

Walk-up sales will be before school from 8:00-8:30am on Monday, Dec. 15th and Friday Dec. 19th, after school on Wed. through Friday, Dec. 17th, 18th and 19th from 2:45 - 3:30pm, and will continue on Sunday mornings between services.

If you have any questions please contact the school office 344-3153. Tell your family & friends about this program - anyone may participate!

## Market Day

Look for the monthly order guide that was

sent home or online at marketday.com using our school account number 12421. Orders are due by Monday, Jan. 5th in the school office or, online by 11:00pm.

Pick up day is Monday, January 12th from 3:00-4:30pm. With a \$40 online order, you will receive a Salad To Go Cup.

We appreciate your support and we are looking forward to seeing you at our next Market Day sale in January!

## Box Tops and Labels Program

The next turn in date for the Box Tops and Labels program is Wednesday, December 17th. Please send the trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

## Alumni Night

Alumni night is scheduled for Thursday, January 15th. Freshmen will receive a T-shirt and all past graduates will be honored at the half time of the 8th grade girls basketball game vs. Zion Belleville.

## Young Authors

Reminder, Young Author books are due Monday, January 26th. Please feel free to ask for additional help from your child's teacher.

# 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:

Lexi A., Mahela B., Brooklynn C.,  
Rebekah D., Joey F.

# Auction Up-dates

## Homeroom Basket Themes

**3's PS** Arts & Crafts for Kids

**4's PS** We Love Our Pets

Kindergarten Sweet Tooth

**1st Gr.** Boys Will Be Boys &  
Sugar and Spice

**2nd Gr.** Spending the Day with Grandpa  
and Grandma

**3rd Gr.** In the Garden

**4th Gr.** Summer Time Fun

**5th Gr.** Mr. & Mrs. Fix-It

**6th Gr.** Family Fun Night

**Mr. Rinker's Homeroom** Breakfast in Bed

**Mr. Voss's Homeroom** Home Office

## Mrs. Kegley's/ Mr. Winters Homerooms

Games and Puzzles

## Auction Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help make this a great auction. Remember, if you can only do a small amount, that is valuable and needed! Please contact the school office.

## Auction Reservations

This is a fun way to help support the school. Don't miss out on this fun evening out and wonderful way to support a great cause! Call your friends and get a table or come and make new friends.

The auction is Sat., March 21, 2015. Call 618-344-3153 or visit the school office for more information. Reservations and donations can be made at the school office.

## Auction Donations

Yes! YOU can get involved by donating an item or service or attending the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Auction.

Everyone should be given the opportunity to contribute to this annual fundraiser. Your individual participation is needed for this event to succeed! Please participate for our students!

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...

## **Advent Season**

This season brings great joy and giving. As we await for the coming of the Lord, let us always set our mind on Him and the true message of Christmas. Good Shepherd has services available the next two Wednesdays at 4:30/7:00pm with a soup supper in between. Come and celebrate the coming of our Lord!

## **Christmas Concert Gr. 3-8 and Band Pictures**

The grade 3-8 Christmas Concert will be Tuesday, December 16th at 7:00pm. 5-8th grade band yearbook pictures will be taken in the church beginning at 6:00pm with individual pictures (if desired) immediately following. Band students should arrive at 6:00pm and immediately put instruments together in the cafeteria and come to the Church Sanctuary for the full band picture. Grade 5-8 choir students will meet in the cafeteria at 6:40pm. Grades 3-4 will meet in the Music Room at 6:40pm. Strings students may put cases in the connecting hallway and meet in the sanctuary at 6:40pm. Parents and guests: doors will open at 6:30pm when band pictures have concluded. Please do not arrive earlier as you will not be able to enter and be seated.

All Band students will need instruments and music.

5th grade band students will need folding music stands if they own one.

Concert dress for grades 5-8: black bottoms and white dress shirt/blouse.

Concert dress for grades 3-4: best dress of any color. (Please, no denim).

## **Christmas Concert DVDs**

Complete the order form if you would like to order a DVD of the Gr. 3-8 or K-2 Christmas Concerts. The cost will be \$13 for each DVD. The concerts will be on separate DVDs. Please make checks pay

able to GSLS and send to the office with the order form distributed at the concert.

## **Christmas Concert Gr. K-2**

The K-2 Christmas Concert will be Tuesday, December 9th at 7:00pm. Kindergarten students should meet in the cafeteria at 6:40pm. Grades 1-2 should meet in the Music room at 6:40pm. All K-8 string students will be performing and should meet in the church sanctuary at 6:40pm (including K-2 string students). Concert Dress for K-2: best dress of any color. (Please, no denim). Doors to the church will open at 6:30pm. Please do not arrive earlier than 6:30pm.

## **Looking for the Perfect Gift?**

Take the guesswork out of gift giving.... Christmas Scrip Certificates are available! Scrip certificates can be redeemed for gift certificates to over 40 stores including American Eagle Outfitters, Best Buy, Build-A-Bear, Kohls and more! And, Scrip Certificates help both our school families and our school. It's the perfect gift! Available now in the school office!

## **Church Doors Locked**

The church doors will remain locked during Chapel. All parents coming to Chapel or visitors will need to enter through the school doors for security purposes.

## **Box Tops and Labels**

The winning class for the Box Tops and Labels Program contest for the month of November is 2-2. Mrs. Schultz's class collected a total of 576 box tops and labels with an average of 27 box tops and labels per student.

We added 2,241 box tops and labels for the month of November totaling 16,042 box tops and labels for this school year.

## **Piano Recital**

Mrs. Fuhrman's students will perform at the piano recital on Monday, December 22nd at 7:00pm in the church balcony.

## **Festival of Lessons & Carols**

To mark the close of the Christmas season, the musicians of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church are presenting a special Epiphany service featuring John Leavitt's Festival of Lessons and Carols. The service will include choir, orchestra and congregational hymn singing. Please join us on January 4 at 4pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1300 Beltline Road, Collinsville, IL. For additional information please call 344-3151.

## **Getting to Know CHS**

Collinsville High School is offering events to assist students in the high school transition and registration/course selection process. The scheduled events are:

### *\*Getting to Know CHS*

Thursday, January 22nd in the CHS Auditorium from 7-8:15pm

### *\*CHS Open House*

All 8th grade students and families  
Saturday, January 24th

CHS Counseling Department  
8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-4:00pm

If you have any questions, please call the CHS Counseling Department at 618-346-6320 ext. 1129.

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