



Good Shepherd Charger News

“Anchored in Christ”

Hebrews 6:19-20

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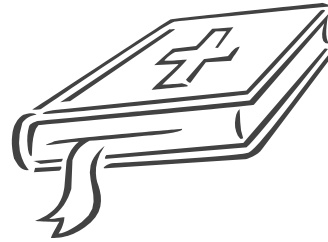
Something to Consider:

I want to complete the work the Lord Jesus has given me.
Acts 20:24

Picture yourself on a soccer team. You score a goal. What does everyone on your team do? Cheer, of course. The same is true when you reach a goal in life. God is on your team, cheering you on toward success. However, you can't succeed without first setting a

goal. It would be like playing soccer with no designated way to score. What would be the point?

Making your life count means working toward goals that God helps you set. Break down large goals into smaller action steps. Periodically, reevaluate your progress. Celebrate interim victories. Turn to God for encouragement, if you get



tired along the way. Then, keep moving forward with expectation. Your goal is within reach.

A Look Ahead

Sunday, Feb. 21

-Open House For Prospective Families 1:00-3:00pm

Monday, Feb. 22

-Scrip Orders Due by 9:00am

-Boys A Basketball Edw. vs GS at Holy Cross 6:00pm

Tuesday, Feb. 23

-ECC Vision and Hearing Testing

Wednesday, Feb. 24

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-Boxtops and Labels Collection Day

-Lent Services 4:30 & 7:00pm

Thursday, Feb. 25

-Chapel 8:20am

-Science Family Night

Preschool-Gr. 3 6:00-7:30pm

Charger Headlines:

Charger Bucks/Scrip Credits

Charger Bucks (Scrip) credits have been posted to your TADS tuition account. If you have paid full year tuition for 2015-16 these credits will be applied to next year's account in the fall. Questions, call Mrs. Schnicker.

Cancer Companions

If you are a cancer patient (newly diagnosed or long-time survivor), family, friend, or caregiver in need of a listening ear or caring heart, join us as we explore and discuss different topics dealing with cancer and the emotions that go along with it. We will be meeting on Monday afternoons from 1-2:30p.m., starting March 7, 2016. The sessions will be held in the

church fellowship hall. There are brochures with more information in the church, school office, or ECC lobby. If you have any questions you can call the church office at 344-3151.

Enrollment for 2016-17

Families that have students in Preschool through 7th grade. If you have not yet enrolled your student for next year, we pray you would continue to be part of the Good Shepherd School families. Our goal is to have all students enrolled no later than March 15th. This will enable us to ensure the best possible staffing for our school. Additionally, all financial aid applications (via TADS) must be completed, including documentation, no later

than April 1st for your best possible opportunities. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Mayhew by the end of February.

NO Lunch Served

No lunch will be served on Friday, March 11th. Remember to pack your on lunch that day. Milk will not be available.

Tardies

School begins at 8:15, please be on time for everyone's sake. Parents are to sign their children in when it is after 8:15am. Students will then receive a pass to go to their classroom. Questions, please call the school office and Mr. Mayhew can discuss this matter with you.



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks—Scrip

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, February 22, & 29, March 7 & 14. The green order sheets need to be turned in to the school office by 9:00am on Mon-days to be processed that week. Walk-up sales will be after school on Fri-days and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Questions, please contact the school office 344-3153.

Family Science Night

Good Shepherd is hosting an Ag Family Science Night for students in preschool through third grade on Thursday, February 25 from 6-7:30pm. It is being presented by Madison County CAREE/Ag in the classroom this is a unique opportunity for you and your child to be involved together in an evening of science exploration! We will be doing several different hands-on activities.

Everyone needs to register their attendance so we can have enough materials for everyone. Forms

were sent home with the students this week for you to complete and need to be returned to your child's teacher by Thursday, February 18 if you would like to be a part of this event. Or you can email Mrs.

Sengele' (lsengele@gslcs.org) to register or if you have questions.

Box Tops and Labels

The next turn in date for the Box Top and Label Program is Wednesday, February 24th. Please send your trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

TRACKS Reminder

Parents, please remember that TRACKS is available to care for your child when they are finished with after school activities. Should you need this service, the charge is \$3.00 for the first hour that the child is in TRACKS and \$1.50 for each

half hour there after. We offer each child a snack and time to do homework and/or play with friends. We always welcome your child at TRACKS. If you have any questions please call Susan M. at 618-344-3153 extension 222.

Reminder... Sickness

If your child is sick, he/she needs to stay at home. Remember, your child must be fever free WITHOUT the use of Tylenol or Motrin for 24 hours before returning to school.

Also, please pick up your child's homework in T.R.A.C.K.S. after 3:30 p.m.

Picking up your child's work will help him/her

keep up with the class.

A doctor's written excuse is needed to return to school. Always bring a note to the teacher when your child returns to school.

Received With Thanks

148 birthday books have been donated this school year.

Reporting Absence

If your child will be absent or late, please call the school office each morning so both the office and the teachers are informed. By calling, this will help expedite our attendance procedure.

Medicine Distribution

We no longer provide 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 can be found on the front page of our website. Thank you for partnering with us.

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:

Owen T., Lily W., Bradley W., Teagan W., Josie W., Jayla W.

Auction Up-dates

SAVE THE DATE

Good Shepherd Lutheran School will be having its Annual Benefit Auction on Saturday, March 12th. This year we will bring back the auction to Good Shepherd. The cost is \$30.00 per person. Come and enjoy the evening while supporting "quality Christian education" for students in Preschool - Grade 8. If you are interested in assisting, please contact the school office.

Immediate Need—Auction Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help make this a great auction. Remember, if you can only do a small amount, that is valuable and needed! Volunteers are needed for acquisitions from businesses. Please contact the school office at 618-344-3153 or stop by to pick up the forms.

Baskets and Bows Needed

The Auction committee is in need of large baskets/containers, bows, ribbon, and basket filler to be used for the classroom Auction basket items. Please bring what you may have to the school office. Thank you.

Shopping for Auctions Donations

When out shopping, please keep the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Benefit Auction in mind. Many of those deals would make great auction donations.

Auction Donations

Yes! YOU can get involved by donating an item or service or attending the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Auction. Help is needed acquiring donations from businesses. 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!

Homeroom Basket Themes

3 Yr. Old Preschool Arts & Crafts for Kids

4 Yr. Old Preschool We Love Our Pets

Kindergarten Sweet Tooth

1st Grade Boys Will Be Boys & Sugar and Spice

2nd Grade Spending the Day with Grandpa and Grandma

3rd Grade In the Garden

4th Grade Summer Time Fun

5th Grade Mr. & Mrs. Fix-It

6th Grade Family Fun Night

Mr. Rinker's Homeroom Breakfast in Bed

Mr. Voss' Homeroom Home Office

Ms. Combs' Homerooms Games & Puzzles

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.

Retreads...

NO SCHOOL

School will be closed Monday, February 15th in observance of President's Day.

Congratulations

Olivia G. will represent GSLS at the STL Post Dispatch Spelling Bee at McKendree University in Lebanon, IL on Saturday, March 5th.

Talent Show

Talent Show audition forms are available in the school office. Auditions will be held February 23rd and 25th. Dress rehearsal is Tuesday, March 8th and the Talent Show is Thursday, March 10th. Church members who would like to participate are invited to join us. The cutoff dates on the flyer are for students. We would like to hear from any interested church members by the end of February, either by phone (344-3153) or email: ddaniels@gslcs.org or kmaske@gslcs.org.

Prospective Student Open House

GSLS will be having an open house for Preschool through 8th grade Sunday, February 21st and March 13th from 1-3pm. Tours will be available and teachers will be present to answer questions regarding curriculum. Invite your friends/neighbors to attend this Open House to help promote the 2016-17 school year.

School's Out Club – Easter Break 2016

Good Shepherd offers School's Out Club to serve the students and their families by providing, on weekdays when school is not in session, quality child care at our facility. During Easter Break 2016, we will offer care on Monday (3/21), Tuesday (3/22), Wednesday (3/23), Thursday (3/24), Friday (3/25), and Monday (3/28). Stop by the school office or TRACKS to pick-up the Attendance Reservation Form, specify the date and times the student will be attending and deliver the form to the school office or to Mrs. Molitor.

Congratulations Geography Bee

We would like to thank the fourth through eighth graders for participating in the National Geographic Society Geography Bee. We would like to congratulate the top two participants in our school.

Our school champion is Justin W and the runner up this year is Ryan P. Justin has taken a test and is waiting to find out if he qualifies for the State Geography Bee.

Culver's Share Night

Come join Good Shepherd at Culver's in Collinsville on Thursday, February 18th from 5-8 pm. The money raised will be used to help offset the cost of materials for the Good Shepherd Marriage Retreat. Feel free to dine in or drive thru!

Recycling Fund Raiser

Good Shepherd has been collecting old printer cartridges for many years. The money we earn from this goes towards technology at Good Shepherd. We also recycle printer toner cartridges and old cell phones. Please put your old printer cartridges or old cell phones in the box between the technology office and the Sunday School office near the main lobby. Thank you for your support.

Thursday, March 10th from 3:15-3:45pm.

16th Annual Women's Day of Renewal

April 1 & 2 Don't miss Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and School's 16th annual Women's Day of Renewal scheduled for the weekend after Easter, Friday night and Saturday, April 1 & 2. The theme is Call to Peace (Peace for the Past, Peace for the Present, Peace for the Future) and GSLC's own Rosie Adle and her sister Rebekah Curtis, who recently coauthored the book *LadyLike*, will be the morning keynote speakers. For workshop description, presenter information, and a registration form, please pick up a brochure from the narthex or visit us at www.facebook.com/goodshepherdwdr or www.goodshepherdcollinsville.org or contact Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at 618-344-3151.

MELHS Open House

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to an Open House on Sunday February 21st from 1:00-3:00 in the afternoon at Lutheran High. Come find out more about this dynamic ministry and take a tour, visit with faculty and administration, get information on financial assistance and scholarships, and get additional questions answered about our ministry. For more

information or to RSVP please contact the school office at 618-656-0043.

Metro-East Lutheran High

Metro-East Lutheran High School is now accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. Any new students (freshmen or transfer) interested in seeking enrollment at Lutheran High school please go to the school website

at www.melhs.org and download the admission and enrollment packet or contact the school office at 618-656-0043. If you have additional questions, please contact Dr. Jay Krause, Principal, or email him at jay.krause@melhs.org.

MELHS Shadow Day

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to come and "Shadow" for a day and see what a day is like in the "life of a Knight." Prospective students are encouraged to shadow one of our current students and spend the day in classrooms, chapel, lunch, and visiting with students, faculty and staff, and become familiar with the daily ministry of Lutheran High. Interested students should contact the school office at 618-656-0043.

MELHS Basketball Games

Come and check out one of the remaining boys and girls Metro-East Lutheran High School Knight basketball games in January or February. The Lady Knights are fresh off of an excellent showing at the Calvary Lutheran Classic in Jefferson City and the boys varsity team is ranked #5 in the state of Illinois. Let them know at the gate that you are a prospective student coming to support the Knights!