

Good Shepherd **Charger News**

"Anchored in Christ"

Hebrews 6:19-20

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Something to Consider:

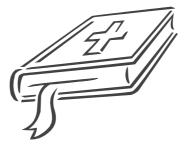
You must hold on, so you can do what God wants and receive what he has promised. Hebrews 10:36

Perseverance-the power to stick with something until it is completed-is the key to achieving your goals and reaching your dreams. No matter how much talent, skill, intelligence, or personal charisma you have, you won't get where you want

to go unless you're determined to keep your eyes focused squarely on the finish line.

Persevering means refusing to become distracted by bumps in the road-such as discouraging circumstances. It means discarding the negative opinions and comments of others.

God created you for a purpose, and He wants to see you succeed. When you call on Him, He promises to renew



your strength. He was there at the beginning of your race, and He'll be there at the end-so persevere!

A Look Ahead

Saturday, March 12 -GSLS School Auction 5:30pm

-IGSMA District Music Contest

Sunday, March 13 -Open House for Prospective Families 1:00-3:00pm

Monday, March 14 -Scrip Orders Due By 9:00am

-Board Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday, March 16

-Lent Services 4:30 & 7:00pm

Thursday, March 17 -Chapel 8:20am

Friday, March 18

-PS-Gr. 8 Easter Parties

Monday, March 21-28 -NO SCHOOL Easter Break

Tuesday, March 29 -All Classes Resume

Thursday, March 31 -Chapel 8:20am



Charger Headlines:

Auction Saturday Night

Our school's annual benefit auction will be held tomorrow March 12, 2016 at Good Shepherd Lutheran School in Collinsville IL. Doors will open at from 1-3pm. Tours will be 5:30pm, silent auction 5:30-7:30pm, Hors d'oeuvres 6:00-7:00, and the oral auction will begin around 8:00pm.

Enrollment For 2016-17

We need your help! If you have not enrolled for next year, please log onto TADS to complete the enrollment process. If you have not received anything ter will be issued Monday, from TADS, please contact the office so we can expedite the process. This is very important as it will allow us to evaluate materials and hire appropriate staff for the upcoming year.

Prospective Student Open House

GSLS will be having an open house for Preschool through 8th grade Sunday, March 13th 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.

Report Cards

Report cards for the 3rd quar-March 14th. Please contact the teacher if you have any questions. This is an excellent way to work together with your child's teacher to enhance the education for your child.

Grade 3 & 4 Spring Musical

The Christ's Kids Choir of Good Shepherd Lutheran School invite you to attend their spring musical performance of "Esther-ordinary Faith" The performances will be on Friday, April 22nd at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, April 24th at 2:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

GSLCS Easter Egg Hunt

Good Shepherd Church and School will be hosting a Resurrection Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 26th at 9:00 a.m. There will be an egg hunt, crafts, and more for toddlers—4th grade.

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Charger Bucks—Scrip

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, March 14, April 4, 18, & 25. The green order sheets need to be turned in to the school office by 9:00am on Mondays to be processed that week. Walk-up sales will be after school on Fridays and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Questions, please contact the school office 344-3153.

Remember that you can place your order online. You may access the link for shopwithscrip.com through our school's website. Tell your family & friends about this program - anyone may participate.

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.

Midweek Lenten Supper

The Mother's of Preschoolers (MOPS) will be hosting the midweek Lenten supper next week with a spaghetti supper. Proceeds from the meal will be donated to

the Downs Syndrome Institute of St. Louis in memory of Evan Phelps. If you are unable to attend but would still like to make a donation they can be taken to the church office noting that it is for the MOPS Lenten Supper. Thank you!

Congratulations Olympiad Team

The Good Shepherd Olympiad team, consisting of four eighth graders: Elise H., Scott H., Nick H., and Elizabeth S., competed at SIU-E on Wednesday, March 9th. They worked together as a team to complete some "out-of-the-box" challenges.

This year our team tied for fifth place, out of a total of thirty-nine teams. They represented Good Shepherd well!

Morning Drop Off

Just a reminder regarding dropping off students in the morning. Under parents on our website, www.gslcs.org you will find the GSLS Traffic Flow PDF for viewing. The quick drop off area is in front of the school by the yellow markings on the curb. You can drop off your child by the yellow marking to help speed up the traffic flow. They can use the sidewalk to enter the building. If it is inclement weather dropping off closer to the school door is permitted. Your help in the morning helps everyone who is dropping off in front of you and behind. If your child needs more time to get out the car, then I would suggest parking and having them use the cross walk. Thank you for partnering together!

Communication

Reach out to your child's teachers if there seems to be an issue that is troubling you regarding the classroom.

Other issues, please see the principal. Thank you for working together.

GSLS Students To Sing At Busch Stadium--Cardinals Tickets On Sale Now!

GSLS has been accepted this year for the first time to sing "Take Me out to the Ballgame" at Busch Stadium on Sunday, July 17th, 2016 as the Cardinals take on the Florida Marlins! This performance will be open to students who are currently in 1st-8th Grade (during the 2015-16 school year). We can take up to 100 students to sing. Parents, please contact Mr. Stegman via email to reserve a spot for your student! We will practice toward the end of the school year and also a few times through the summer. Families may purchase tickets through the school office. We have two sections reserved for Good Shepherd families in the Left Field Pavilion section 371 and 372, so we will all be able to enjoy the game together! All participants must purchase a ticket through the school office AND reserve their spot by email with Mr. Stegman in order to participate. Tickets are offered at a greatly discounted price-just \$18 and include a coupon for a FREE hot dog and soda at Busch Stadium—a \$50 total value! This great value is available only while supplies last, so reserve your spot and buy tickets for friends and family now!

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:
Makenzie K., Colleen L., Martin L.,
Hannah R., Elizabeth S., Elke S., Brady S.,

Hannah S., Macie S., Gabe S., Andrew T.

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...

School Auction News!

Mark Your Calendar for Saturday, March 12th.

Please consider donating something to support our school.

Nice craft projects. Antiques. Tickets to Cardinals, etc. Theatre and concert tickets. Gift certificates to your favorite restaurant.

A certificate for baked goods from your kitchen.

New children's toys.

Collectibles: cards, autographs, figurines, and more.

Different services offered. Gift certificates or gift cards.

Athletic equipment: golf equipment and passes, exercise equipment, tennis, base-ball/softball.

Put together a meal, lodging and entertainment package to your favorite vacation or weekend get-away.

Remember, businesses often provide discounts/donations.

Generosity will make our auction a success. Donations are tax deductible!

Congratulations Boys A Basketball

Our Boys A Basketball team has qualified for the State

Basketball Championship this weekend. They will play this Friday at 4:00pm against Rockford Lutheran Jr. High in the Chicago area. The team may then go on to play Saturday at 11:15am or 6:30pm.

Talent Show

The theme for the Talent Show is "Life Together" based on 1 Corinthians 1:9. The GSLS Talent Show is scheduled for Thursday, March 10th at 7:00 pm. Come and experience the many talents of the students, faculty, and church members of Good Shepherd. The dress rehearsal is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th beginning at 3:15 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Daniels or Mrs. Maske.

Congratulations

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

GSLS Golf Classic

GSLS 14th Annual Golf Classic will be held Saturday, April 30 with a 8:00am Shotgun Start at Arlington Greens Golf Course. Forms are available in the school office for participants and sponsors. Proceeds will go toward the Good Shepherd athletic fields, basketball hoops, etc. Questions, please contact the school office.

Ag Family Science Night

Good Shepherd Lutheran School hosted an Ag Family Science night on Thursday, February 25 for students and their families from preschool through third grade. Almost 90 people were in attendance for the evening events that was presented by the Madison County CAREE/Ag in the Classroom organization along with help from many of the schools teachers. Participants visited six stations where they explored topics related to science and agriculture. Students learned the importance of pollination for plant growth, planted wheat seeds, learned about plants that grow above the ground and below the ground. A favorite station was the Edible Soil, presented by Miss Madison County Fair Queen, P. Gehrs, where students learned about the different soil layers and then made a "soil" snack they could eat. -A special Thank you to Mrs. Sengele' who lead this event and teachers/parents who assisted! - Blessings - Mr. Mayhew.

Dress Code

Reminder as we approach the end of the year—when students grow while their clothing seems to begin to shrink. Parents, please look at your child's clothing prior to coming to school for belts, colors, and properly fitting sizes. Your help is appreciated, so we can concentrate on learning.

Box Tops and Labels

The winning class for the Box Top and Label Program contest for the month of February is Mrs. Rincker (2-1). Mrs. Rincker's students collected 890 box tops and labels with an average of 34 per student.

We ended January with a total of 16,876 box tops and labels and added 2,595 more this month, for a total of 19,462 box tops and labels collected so far this school year.

Olympiad—SIUE

Friday, March 9th the student Olympiads representing GSLS are heading to SIUE. The participants are Elise H., Scott H., Nicholas H., and Elizabeth S. Mrs. Daniels is our staff representative.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students for being selected to represent Good Shepherd at the Madison County Young Authors Conference: Lizzie J., Kassidy G., Keenan R., Jenae W., and Samuel C. Henry L., and Colleen L. were chosen to represent Good Shepherd at the State Young Authors Conference.

Their books will be on display in the library March 7th-11th.