

Good Shepherd Charger News

"Anchored in Christ"

Hebrews 6:19-20

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Something to Consider:

God began doing a good work in you. And he will continue it until it is finished when Jesus Christ comes again.

Philippians 1:6

Imagine waiting with great expectation to see the newest canvas of a world-renowned painter, your eyes prepared to behold greatness. This is how you should think of yourself. After all, you were crafted by the Master Artist-God Himself.

What greatness will the eyes of others see when the canvas of your life is complete?

Maybe your life, your gifts, your personality, your looks, your resources seem ordinary and commonplace to you. But commit them to God, and you will soon find that they are exploding with promise and opportunity. Enhanced by the fingertips of God, the final result is certain to be extraordinary, special unique—a true



masterpiece. Expect it and you won't be disappointed.

A Look Ahead

Sunday, March 20 -NO SCHOOL Through March 28th

Monday, March 28 -NO SCHOOL Easter Break

Tuesday, March 29
-All Classes Resume
-PS Vision and Hearing
Testing Through Wednesday

Thursday, March 31 -Chapel 8:20am

Charger Headlines:

School Benefit Auction!

This fun event and important fund raiser was a complete success! The food was great, the donations were wonderful and the bidding was generous!

There were 150 in attendance and over \$37,000 raised for our school! Thank you to all the parents for their generous donations. Thank you to all those individuals that helped plan, organize, set-up and donate of their time for the auction. This truly was a wonderful way to help the children at GSLS!

Achievement Testing

These important tests will be taken Tuesday, April 5th through Thursday, April 14th. While it is not helpful to "cram" for these examinations, parents can positively influence their child's scores in three ways:

- 1) Encourage a positive attitude
- 2) See that your child gets plenty of rest, beginning Monday night.
- 3) See that your child eats a nutritious breakfast each morning.

GSLS Golf Classic

Volunteers are needed to make the Good Shepherd Golf Classic a success.

We invite you to participate in the 14th annual Good Shepherd Golf Classic at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City. The 4 player Golf Scramble is Saturday, April 30th with a shotgun start at 8:00am. The cost is \$80 per golfer, 18 holes of golf, carts, buffet-style meal, plenty of refreshments, and a chance to win cash prizes for lowest team score (multiple flights), closest to the pin, longest drive, and more. Hole Sponsor cost is \$125 which entitles sponsor to a 12" x 18" sign on the tee box.

Net proceeds to fund the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Athletic Fields. Forms are available in the school office.

Thank You

Thank you to the many volunteers that make Good Shepherd that special school. Your time and talents are truly appreciated. Mr. Mayhew



Charger Headlines Continues...

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

April 15, 2016 Good Shepherd offers School's Out Club serves the students and their families by providing, on weekdays when school is not in session, quality child care at our facility. We will offer care on Friday (4/15), School Improvement Day. 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

On Saturday, March 13th the following students traveled to Coolidge Jr. High in Granite City to perform a solo or an ensemble and represent Good Shepherd in the Illinois Grade School Music Association District Solo and Ensemble Contest: Clayton C., Cierrah E., Jacob B. (5th gr.), Carson C., Tyler K., Eli L., Autumn D., Will M., Rebe D., Gabe S., Declan G., Marlaina G., Emma H., Hannah R., Addie L., Matthew H., Sophia Grace P.,

Henry L., Olivia S., Elliot J., Trevor P., Chloe W., Khushi J., Dani C., Sydney S., Claire L., Logan W., Catrina L., Colleen L., Lemuel C., Ryan P., Jacob M., Jacob B. (8th gr.), Blake M., Sam S., Lillie C., Jordan G., Meghan S., Bella S., Paige H., Sophie T., Katie M., Ellie M., Anna R., Carmen S., Jake W., Ella W., Kanalu W., Elizabeth S., and London R. Many students performed in more than one event or on multiple instruments/ voice. All together, Good Shepherd students earned 40 Division I ratings. Jacob B. (5th gr.), Colleen L. (2 superiors), and Hannah R., earned a total of 4 Division I Superior (perfect score) ratings on their various solos (class A, B, or C). Along with the students who received Division I Superiors, Sam. S., Blake M., Carmen S., Ellie M., Katie M., Paige H., Marlaina G., Elliot J., Claire L., Jordan G., Lillie C., Catrina L., Elizabeth S., Tyler K., Bella S., Anna R., Henry L., Eli L., and Jacob B. (8th gr.) are eligible to attend the IGSMA State Solo and Ensemble competition at Triad Middle School on Saturday, May 7th, 2016! Congratulations and thank you for your efforts! Thanks to your dedication and bravery, and also to all of our music lesson teachers, GSLS has as many or more entries and high ratings at this contest as the largest public and private schools in the Metro East.

This Sunday, March 20th-Palm Sunday -ALL GSLS CHOIRS

GSLS choirs will sing including Preschool, Kindergarten, and 1st-8th grade. Their song is "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" which tells the story of Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem on His way to the

cross on Good Friday. Some families are out of town, so your attendance is VERY important! The schedule is as follows: 8:00 AM 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th Grades (meet at 7:45 cafeteria) 10:30 AM 3rd, 4th, 5th 6th Grades (meet at 10:15 cafeteria)

If students would like to sing for both services they are more than welcome!!!

Spring Yard Work Day

Saturday, April 16th from 8:00am to noon will be the yard work day at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and School. Any and all help will be appreciated.

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, visit us at www.facebook.com/goodshepherdwdr or www.goodshepherdcollinsville.org, or contact Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at 618-344-3151.

Box Tops and Labels

The next turn in date for the Box Tops and Labels program is Wednesday, March 30th. Please send the trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

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: Madeline B., Logan B., Jacob B., Noah C., Alex C., Mille C., Reagan G., Elise H., Nick H.,

Taylor H., Henry L., Faith M., Jeremy O., Ryan P., London R., Molly S., Caleb T., Justin W., Josh Y., Connor Z.

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...

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 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 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 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.

Report Cards

Report cards for the 3rd quarter will be issued Monday, 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 "Estherordinary 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.

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!