



Good Shepherd Charger News

“Heart of Our Hero”

John 15:12-13

Twenty-first Edition

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Something to Consider:

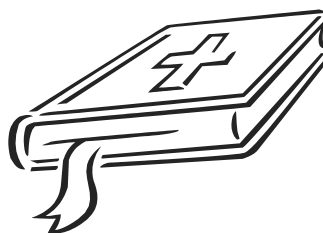
Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Romans 12 :13

Practicing hospitality may be simpler than you think. It doesn't require that you have a fancy home, wear a chef's hat, or develop a flair for entertaining. All it takes is love. When you open your heart to others, opening your home comes naturally...even when there are

chores to do, the kids are wrestling in the family room, and you're exhausted from a long day at work.

The goal of hospitality is to make others feel comfortable. That means spending time getting to know your guests, rather than just serving their physical needs. It means welcoming both friends and acquaintances, anticipating that God has brought you together for a purpose. It means opening your



heart in unexpected ways to unexpected people.

Charger Headlines:

Scholarships for 2017-2018 School Year

Please note that if you are applying for a scholarship for the 2017-2018 school year you will need to select "Lutheran Elementary School Association" (LESA) Building Blocks Scholarships on the online application. It is through this selection that the application information will be made available for LESA's review and award consideration. Without this selection, LESA will be unable to view the application, and as a result, students will not have access to LESA funding. Remember, all scholarship applications must be submitted with all documentation submitted prior to March 15th to have the best possible opportunity for scholarships.

Alumni Night

Alumni night is scheduled for Monday, February 6th.

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. Unity. High school alumni, please contact the school office if you plan to attend.

GSLs Web Page

Parents, please take time to view our website for a fundraising opportunity that benefits the students here at GSLs. GoodSearch – A web search engine that we use as our primary search tool at school, which tends to have a more wholesome focus than Google concerning inappropriate content. Better yet, you may set your computer to designate Good Shepherd Lutheran School (Collinsville) as the charity you support; the result is that every search you do contributes 1¢ to GSLs. Those searches add up to hundreds of dollars for supporting our min-

istry.

Auction Basket Drive

Please stop by the school lobby and consider selecting a basket theme from the auction display board. Peek under the colorful leaves for great ideas for a list of possible basket items. Write your name, contact information, and selected Basket Theme on a white leaf and place the leaf in the manila envelope. Baskets may be dropped off in the school office by Tues., Feb. 28.

Cardinals Save the Date

Last Year 60 GSLs students and their families had a great day at the ballpark as students sang "Take Me Out the Ballgame." Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 9th, 2017 1:15 PM as GS students will perform "God Bless America" and watch the Cardinals take on the Mets! Tickets will go on sale soon!

A Look Ahead

Saturday, January 28

-Boys Pee Wee Basketball
8am

Sunday, January 29

-Cherub Choir 8:00am
-Christ's Kids Choir 10:30am

Monday, January 30

-Scrip Orders Due by 9:00am
-Papa John's Pizza Night

Tuesday, January 31

-Girls and Boys A Basketball
Conference Tournament at
GSLs; Girls 6:00pm
Boys 7:00pm

Thursday February 2

-Chapel 8:25am
-Preschool Spring Pictures,
(for PS students that attend
on Thursday)

Friday, February 3

-Mid Quarter Point
-Preschool – Gr. 8 Spring
Pictures
-Winter Sports Pictures
Before School 7:00am Team
Pictures will be taken first



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Thank You

Our Lutheran Schools Week was a wonderful week! We are thankful that we can learn, pray, reach out, serve and play together in the name of our Savior, Jesus. Thanks are due to the following:

- *Opening Devotions: Teachers and Mrs. Italiano (School Board)
- *Hallway decorations: Mrs. Pritchard and student helpers
- *Publicity: Mr. Krueger, Mrs. Schnicker
- *Spelling Bee: Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Petersen, Mr. Mayhew, and Mr. Hoffman
- *Pastries with Parents: NLSW Committee and parent volunteers
- *Assembly: Mrs. Rincker
- *Science Fair: Mr. Krueger, Mr. Voss, Mr. Rincker, teachers and students
- *Service Project: Good Shepherd families
- *Sunday worship participants: Mr. Mayhew, band, choirs, and Teacher Choir

Congratulations Spelling Bee

- Gr. 1 1st Place: Bradley W.
2nd Place: Josie W.
- Gr. 2 1st Place: James A.
2nd Place: Brynn N.
- Gr. 3 1st Place: Drake W.
2nd Place: Dillon K.
- Gr. 4 1st Place: Luke R.
2nd Place: Jesse S.
- Gr. 5 1st Place: Troy C.
2nd Place: Logan M.
- Gr. 6 1st Place: Ellie M.
2nd Place: Elliot J.
- Gr. 7-8 1st Place: Ryan P.
2nd Place: Logan W.

Ryan P. will represent GSLS at McKendree University in Lebanon, IL on Saturday, March 11th.

GSLS Science Fair

Congratulations to those students who participated in the GSLS Science Fair. Results are available on the school bulletin board. Congratulations also to our Jr. FLL and FLL groups on sharing their projects.

Family Reading Night

Over 90 students, parents and volunteers enjoyed a Snowman themed evening at Good Shepherd's Family Reading Night held on January 20th. Participants found a soft pillow or beanbag to sit on while listening to one of many stories. A popular area this year was the activity room where the children could

play in "snow" or build igloo's with sugar cubes. The children had the opportunity to create stories about snowmen that come to life at night. The evening wouldn't be complete without a stop at the snack room to build an edible snowman. The ECC cafeteria this year gave everyone a chance for quiet reading sitting near the fireplace or reading by the light of flashlights. A fun evening was had by all and we are looking forward to the next Family Reading Night.

Mrs. Sengele' would like to thank all the volunteers that helped to make the evening run so smoothly, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Bedard, Mrs. Streuter, Mrs. Maske, Mrs. Krause and Miss Wrigley for the Usbourne Book display. Special thanks to Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Adle, Mrs. Petersen, Mrs. Pritchard, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Italiano for sharing their talents and stories as readers.

Metro-East Lutheran High School

MELHS invites you to an Open House on Sun., Feb. 12th 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 all of your questions answered. For more information or to RSVP please contact the school office at 618-656-0043 or email Dr. Krause at jay.krause@melhs.org.

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:

Caleb D., Grayson G., Ava G., and Emily K.

Auction Up-dates

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 Volunteers Needed

GSLS Auction is scheduled on Saturday, March 18th to be held on campus. 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 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!

Homeroom Basket Themes

3 Yr. Old Preschool Arts & Crafts for Kids

4 Yr. Old Preschool	We Love Our Pets
Kindergarten	Lego Boys & Lego Girls
1st Grade	In the Garden
2nd Grade	Summer Time Fun
3rd Grade	Games & Puzzles
4th Grade	Let's Go Camping
5th Grade	Get Grilling
6th Grade	Family Movie Night
Ms. Comb's Homerooms	Spa Day
Mr. Rinker's Homeroom	Sports Basket
Mr. Voss' Homeroom	Restaurant Basket

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...

NLSW

Good Shepherd will join other Lutheran schools from across the nation and world in celebrating National Lutheran Schools Week January 21 – 27.

Dress Up Days

Monday: Mad for Plaid Day Wear a plaid top with standardized bottoms. If you're really mad for plaid, you can wear plaid pants or a skirt. Any part of your outfit that is not plaid needs to be standardized dress.

Tuesday: Destination Day

Wear a t-shirt, cap or sweatshirt with a place name on it.

Wednesday: Super Heroes Day

Dress as your favorite Super Hero.

Thursday: Dress Up Day

Dress up for chapel, no bare shoulders.

Friday: Lutheran School Spirit

Day Students wear Good Shepherd, Metro East Lutheran High or Concordia University apparel

Please keep in mind with dress-up days that we will have a normal school day, so outfits must be play friendly for recess.

Pastries with Parents

Donuts, muffins, coffee, water and juice will be served in the school cafeteria between 7:30 and 8am.

Students must be with a parent to attend. Please see the schedule below and attend on the day that corresponds with the first letter of your last name. Pre-school parents, if your child does not attend on your alphabet day, simply choose another day when s/he attends.

Monday: A–D; Tuesday: E–K; Wednesday: L–R; Thursday: S–Z

Volunteers are needed, We're using SignUp.com to organize our upcoming SignUps. Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <http://signup.com/go/rMtsBu>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy, you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password

on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Daily Devotions

M - W and Friday, the entire school will have devotions in the gym from 8:25 - 8:45. Parents are welcome to join us for the devotions and also for chapel on Thursday at 8:25.

Good Shepherd Alumni

If you graduated from Good Shepherd or taught at Good Shepherd, we invite you to be our special guests on Friday morning at devotions. You are welcome to stay and visit some of the classrooms during the morning.

Assembly

We will be hosting Christian singer Lloyd Garrelts for an assembly on Monday morning from 8:45-9:15. You are welcome to join us.

GSLs Science Fair Night

The Science Fair Night is Monday, Jan. 23rd 6:30-8pm in the gym.

Open House

Sunday, January 22nd, we will be hosting an Open House for prospective new students from 1 - 3pm. Please invite your neighbors, family and friends who may be looking for a great Christian education for their child.

The GSLs Spelling Bee is the morning of Thursday, January 26th after Chapel.

It will be a busy week - but Lutheran Schools are worth celebrating!

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Winter Sports Pictures

Remember to wear your uniforms for the winter sports pictures which will be taken before school Friday, February 3rd.

Spring Pictures

Spring Pictures are scheduled for Thursday, February 2nd for ECC and Friday, February 3rd for Kdg. - Grade 8. Picture selection forms were sent home. Choose from poses on the selection form and bring it to school on Picture Day. Students will have an option of dressing up nicer than our standardized dress policy this day. The expectation for dress for that day is our standardized dress or better. T-shirts, jeans, jean shirts, cargo pants, etc. will not be allowed. All choices must still fit within our dress code guidelines (i.e., length, modesty, etc.).

Look before you buy. Send no money now! Your pictures will be sent home for your review. Any uncut portrait sheets should be returned with your payment.

Life of a Knight

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to come "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.

Box Tops and Labels

The turn in date for the Box Top & Label Program is Wed., Jan. 25th. Please send in your trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

Genetics and the Bible

Dr. Robert W. Weise will present a special program Human Genetics, Assisted Reproductive Biology, Human Sex Selection, and Transgender Identity this Sun., Jan. 22 from 4:00 to 7:00pm. A light supper will be served. There will be a program for children and childcare for 4yrs and under. If bringing children, please

call Jeanette at 344-3151 by Fri., Jan. 19.

Metro East Lutheran High School

MELHS is putting on the production "Annie" and they are holding auditions Sun., Jan. 29th from 9-2pm. Contact Mr. Schnare at 618-973-2426. For the grade school audition information, email theatre+annie@MELHS.org. You will receive an auto response with (2) songs for audition and (3) script readings. See the flyer on our lobby bulletin board for more info.

TRACKS Workers Needed

Good Shepherd's Before and After School Program has two part-time job openings. Both are paid positions for adults 18+. The first job is a morning shift of Monday through Friday, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (10 hours per week). The individual would work independently to open the TRACKS area, welcome and check-in students from first through eighth grade, and monitor them while they play until dismissal to their classrooms. The second job is a substitute who works only on an as-needed basis. The substitute would be on-call to work a shift whenever a regular staff member is unavailable due to doctor's appointments, personal illness, etc. The substitute might work the morning shift, or the afternoon shift of 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The afternoon shift also includes monitoring children outside the school building on the playground, and helping children with homework. For more information, please contact David Bohler at 344-3153, X 222, or dbohler@gslcs.org.