

Good Shepherd Charger News

"Heart of Our Hero" John 15:12-13

Something to Consider:

Teach us to number our days, keep. that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Psalm 90:12

Academic degrees can show that you are knowledgeable, but only a life well lived can show that you are wise. Wisdom isn't something that you gain automatically as you grow older. Often, it's something you acquire by gleaning insights from the company you

Spending time with people who are more mature than you are...in their faith, their marriages, and as parents...is one of wisdom's most pleasant classrooms. When you put what you learn from their words and lives into practice, discernment and good judgment are sure to mature in your own life.

But, no matter how wise your mentors, there's no substitute



for pending time with the source of wisdom.....God Himself. He promises wisdom to anyone who asks.

Charger Headlines:

NLSW "God Is Faithful" National Lutheran Schools Week ended last week. But, everyday at Good Shepherd Lutheran School is an opportunity to share Christ in every subject matter and the ability to talk about Him and our faith with the students. What a blessing we have each and every day to train up a child so when he leaves Good Shepherd he can be bold in his faith, while understanding the importance of high values.

Prospective Student Open House GSLS will be having an open house for Preschool through 8th grade Sunday, February 26th and March 26th 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 2017-18 school year.

School Auction

We are excited to invite you, our Good Shepherd family and friends, to celebrate and support Good Shepherd Lutheran School. The auction will be here at Good Shepherd in the gymnasium! Please join us on Saturday, March 18th. Reservation forms are available in the School Office or the Church Narthex. Tickets are \$30 per person

prior to February 24, \$35 per person after February 24, or \$225 for a table of 8. **Change Drive**

Thank you for the great participation in the change drive. \$1,604.03 was collected. Congratulations goes to 1st

grade for donating the most money to the change drive with an average of \$12.30 per student. Kindergarten averaged 9.59 and Second grade averaged \$8.65

First grade earned the pizza and ice cream party.

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.

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A Look Ahead

Saturday, February 4 -Boy's Pee Wee Basketball 8:00am

-Madison County Jazz Festival

Monday, February 6 -Scrip Orders due by 9:00am

-Girls A Boys C Basketball Home vs Unity 6:00pm

-Alumni Night 6:00pm

Tuesday, February 7 -Girls A & Boys AC Basketball Home vs Troy 5:30pm

Thursday, February 9 -Chapel 8:25am

Friday, February 10 -Girls A Basketball at St. Charles Tournament Through Saturday, Feb. 11th



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks - Scrip

Weekly orders will be on February 6th, 13th, & 27th. 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 3:00-3:30pm 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!

Reminder... Absent From School

If your child will be absent, please call the school office each morning so both the office and the teacher are informed. If your child is sick, he/she needs to stay at home. Remember, your child must be fever free WITHOUT the use of acetaminophen or ibuprofen for 24 hours before returning to school. Please do not expose other children unnecessarily. A doctor's written excuse is needed to return to school if was seen by a doctor. Always bring a note to the teacher when your child returns to school. Also, please pick up your child's homework in T.R.A.C.K.S. (After School Care) after 3:30 p.m. Picking up your child's work will help him/her keep up with the class. **Talent Show**

It's that time again. Info for Talent Show: Talent Show forms will be available in the school office and are due back by Wednesday, February 22nd.

*Auditions are (Monday and Tuesday),

February 27th & 28th after school.

*Dress Rehearsal is Monday, March 13th beginning right after school.

*A quick run through is Tuesday, March 14th right after school.

*The Talent Show is Tuesday, March 14th @ 7:00pm.

Box Tops and Labels

The winning class for the Box Top and Labels Program contest for the month of January is Mrs. Krause's class (K-1). Mrs. Krause's students collected 211 box tops and labels with an average of 12 per student. We ended December with a total of 10,431 box tops and labels and added 921 more this month, for a total of 11,352 box tops and labels collected for 2016-2017 so far.

Lutheran Summer Camp

This year, Lutheran Camp is being held at Camp Sherwood Forest in Troy, MO, Cuivre River State Park, for students finishing 5th - 8th grade. Camp weeks are as follows:

Campers currently in 5th or 6th Grade: Monday, June 26 – Saturday, July 1 Campers currently in 7th or 8th Grade: Sunday, July 2 – Friday, July 7. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!! Camper registration forms will be available in March.

Metro East Lutheran High School

MELHS is putting on the production "Annie" Friday, April 28th & 29th at 7pm, Sunday April 30th at 2:00pm. The Grade School Performance will be Thursday, April 27th at 2:00pm (during the school day).

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

Auction Up-dates

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.

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. your prayers. The families of: Serena P., Madyson R., Alex R., Samantha S., Connor S., Jacob S.,

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! Natalie T., and Mason W.

Homeroom Basket Themes

3 Yr. Old Presch	ool Arts & Crafts for	
Kids		
4 Yr. Old Presch	ool 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...

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 ministry.

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!

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

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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.
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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.