

Good Shepherd **Charger News**

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

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Something to Consider:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on Him is always easy. It can be your own understanding. Proverbs 3:5

When you trust a friend, you will listen to their advice, freely share your deepest secrets, and understand everything about them. Well, God is even more trustworthy than your most faithful friend.

That doesn't mean trusting hard to trust Someone you can't see or easily hear, Someone who asks you to do things you might never have dreamed up on your own. But, God is totally worthy of your trust. Whatever He asks you to do, He will faithfully help you accomplish. When God leads you in a direction that's out of your



comfort zone, it isn't a risk to follow Him. It's the only wise

A Look Ahead

Saturday, March 11

-District Solo and Ensemble Contest

Sunday, March 12

- -Singing for the Savior Choir
- -Seraphim Choir 10:30am

Monday, March 13

- -No Charger Bucks—Scrip This Week
- -Board Meeting 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 14

-Talent Show 7:00pm

Wednesday, March 15

-Lent Services 4:30 & 7:00pm

Thursday, March 16

-Chapel 8:25am

-PS-Gr. 8 Grandparents and Special Friends Day

Friday, March 17

-NO SCHOOL -

School Improvement Day

Saturday, March 18

-GSLS Auction 5:30pm



Charger Headlines:

No School

March 17th for School Improvement Day.

Auction Saturday Night

Our school's annual benefit auction will be held March 18, 2017 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 2017-18

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. We need to have all returning students enrolled no later than March 15th. This will enable us to

ensure the best possible staff-There will be no school Friday, ing for our school. Additionally, all financial aid applications (via TADS) must be completed, including documentation, no later than March 15th for your best possible opportunities. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Mayhew by the end of February.

Report Cards

Report cards for the 3rd quarter will be issued Monday, March 13th. 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 perform-

ance of "Fish Tales" The performances will be on Friday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, April 23rd at 2:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

NO Lunch Served

The kitchen will be closed Thursday, March 16th. Remember to bring a sack lunch that does not require refrigeration or heating. Milk will not be available.

Grandparents & Special Friends Day

Grandparents & Special Friends Day is this Thursday, March 16th. Please note this is a full day of school and students are encouraged to stay on school grounds for lunch. Remember to bring a sack lunch. Grandparents are welcome to bring a lunch and eat with the students.

Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks - Scrip

Weekly orders will be on March 20th, 27th, April 3rd & 24th. 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!

Received With Thanks

155 birthday books have been donated this school year.

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.

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.

Cardinals Save The Date

Last year many Good Shepherd Lutheran families enjoyed coming to support Good Shepherd Lutheran School students as they performed "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" at Busch Stadium. Tickets will go on sale soon for this year's performance of "God Bless America" as the Cardinals take on the Mets on Sunday, July 9th, 2017 1:15pm! Info on ticket sales coming soon!

Students To Regional Science Fair

Seven grade students, Sydney S.,
Matthew H., Garrett S., Madelyn G.,
Declan G., Jenae W., Khushi J., Eli L.,
Ella W., and Megan H., from Good
Shepherd Lutheran School will be
participating in the Regional Science and
Engineering Research Challenge at
Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on Saturday, March 18, 2017.

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 Ms Combs' homeroom: Carson C., Kyla E., Khushi J., Eli L., Will M., Quinn O., MaryAnn R.,

Bryan R., Hannah R., Beau S., Jenae W., & Justin W.

Auction Up-dates

School Auction

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 \$35 per person or \$225 for a table of 8.

We are excited to invite you, our Good

Auction Basket Drive

Please stop by the school lobby and con-

sider 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.

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

or Debra at debra.downing@hotmail.com.

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!

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!

Please consider donating something to support our school.

- *Nice craft projects
- *Antiques
- *Tickets to Cardinals, etc. *Theatre and concert tickets. *Gift certificates or Gift Cards

to your favorite restaurant.

- *A certificate for baked goods from your kitchen.
- *New children's toys.
- *Collectibles: cards, figurines, autographs, and more.
- *Different services offered.
- *Athletic equipment: golf equipment and passes, exercise equipment, tennis, baseball/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!

Saturday, March 18th

Mark Your Calendar for the GSLS Benefit Auction to be held Saturday, March 18th here at our facility. Please consider attending the School Benefit Auction, to show your support of our school. Contact the school office at 618-344-3153 to make your reservation. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$225 for a table of eight. Doors open 5:30pm. Silent Auction 5:30-7:30pm. Full oral auction 8:00pm.

Talent Show

- *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.

Any questions, contact Mrs. Daniels or Mrs. Maske.

Congratulations

Ryan P. will represent GSLS at the STL Post Dispatch Spelling Bee at McKendree University in Lebanon, IL on Saturday, March 11th.

We wish him the best.

GSLS Golf Classic

GSLS 15th Annual Golf Classic will be held Sat., April 29 with a 8:00am Shotgun Start at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City. Forms are available in the school office for participants and sponsors. Net proceeds will fund the Good Shepherd Athletic Fields.

If you would like to donate an attendance prize, please stop by or call the school office for the donation form.

Box Tops and Labels

The winning class for the Box Top and Labels Program contest for the month of February is Mrs. Sengele's class (K-2). Mrs. Sengele's students collected 139 box tops and labels with an average of 8 per student.

We ended January with a total of 11,352 box tops and labels and added 718 more this month, for a total of 12,070 box tops and labels collected for 2016-2017 so far.

Olympiad—SIUE

Wednesday, March 8th the student Olympiads representing GSLS are heading to SIUE. Our school team representatives are: Megan H., Sydney S., Kanalu W., and Justin W.

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: Ezri G., Ryan S., and Elliot J.

Sam C. and London R. were chosen to represent Good Shepherd at the State Young Authors Conference.

Their books will be on display in the library March 10th- 20th.

GSLS Summer Fun 2017

Summer Camp registration is now open for children age 3 years to entering grade 8. We offer a program that fills every day with projects, games, social activities, and field trips that reflects our Christian values. We look forward to having your child join. Forms are available in the TRACKS area, the school office, and the ECC Extended Care room.

Congratulations Geography Bee

We would like to thank the fourth through eighth graders for participating in the National Geographic Society Geography Bee. Congratulations to the top two participants in our school. Our school champion is Ryan P and the runner up this year is Justin W.

Ryan, has qualified to compete in the state level geography bee. At state level, there are a total of 103 student participants competing on Friday, March 31. One champion from each state will then advance to the national competition in May.

Women's Day of Renewal

"Laughter, Gratitude & True Joy in Christ", Women's Day of Renewal, will be held on Saturday, March 25 with doors opening for breakfast at 7:45 a.m. and ending at 11:45 a.m. Christian Humorist, Jan Struck will be the keynote speaker. Her two-part keynote What Did I do With My "To-Do-List"? Is based on 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Learn more about Jan at her website (struckwithlaughter.org). The registration fee is \$5.00. Registration forms are available in the narthex.