

Good Shepherd **Charger News**

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

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Something to Consider:

Jesus said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, be pulled up by the roots and be is able to ride for ten miles. planted in the sea, and it would obey you."

Luke 17:6

Imagine a man or woman who wants to participate in a long bicycle trip, but hasn't ridden in years. On the first day, the person in question can only ride half a mile. But each day, the

person is able to go a little further. Soon, leg muscles begin to grow strong and the individual

Faith can be compared to those leg muscles. It also grows strong with exercise. God has given you the ability to believe, to love, to acknowledge Him. And as you take one step at a time in His direction, believing His Word, your faith will grow stronger and stronger. Soon,



you will be achieving things you never dreamed possible.

A Look Ahead

Monday, April 3

-Charger Bucks-Scrip Orders Due by 9:00am

Wednesday, April 5

-Lenten Services 4:30 & 7:00pm, Soup Supper 5:30-6:30pm

Thursday, April 6

-Chapel 8:25am

Friday, April 7

-Mid Quarter

-PS-Gr. 8 Easter Parties

Charger Headlines:

Lutheran School Honor Band GSLS Golf Classic

Congratulations to Hannah R., Molly S., Justin W., and Mary-Ann R. for being accepted into the 2017 all Illinois Lutheran School Honor Band. The 14th annual LHB Festival was held at Concordia Lutheran School in Peoria, IL on Friday, March 17th with 20 schools and 80 students participating.

School Calendar

The school calendar for the 2017-18 school year has been approved by the Board of Christian Day School. You can find the calendar on our website under calendars. Questions, please contact the school office.

Volunteers are needed to make the Good Shepherd Golf Classic a success. The Golf Classic is scheduled for Saturday, April school office. 29th with a shotgun start at 8:00am.

We invite you to participate in the 15th annual Good Shepherd Golf Classic at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City. Cost of the 4 player Golf Scramble 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 and Technology. Forms are available in the

Paper & Aluminum Recycling

As a reminder, cardboard is not accepted in our recycling bins. Please continue to recycle your paper and aluminum. Thank you to those who have been participating in this program.

Summer Fun

Summer Fun is fast approaching. Please reserve your spot by returning the registration form and fee to Mrs. Bedard or Mr. Bohler. Forms can be obtained in the school office, ECC, or in TRACKS.

Looking Ahead...

May 13-19

-8th Grade Trip Washington

May 23

-Awards Banquet 6:30pm

May 25

-Kindergarten Program 7:00pm

May 26

-End of Quarter

-School Picnic 8:20-11:30am

-School Year Ends,

Dismissal 11:30am

-8th Grade Graduation 7:00pm



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks - Scrip

Weekly orders will be on April 3rd & 24th, May 1st, 8th, 15th. 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.

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.

Attention Families of 8th Graders!

If you have a student who will be attending MELHS, you can earn tuition credit by purchasing scrip through our Charger Bucks program at Good Shepherd. Invite your family and friends to participate and increase your credits! The ordering process is the same and your tuition credits will be posted to your MELHS account in February and August.

Resurrection Egg Hunt

Ages toddler through 4th grade, join us for a day of fun, Saturday, April 15th at 9:15a.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran School's Main Entrance. Along with an he egg hunt, there will be crafts, resurrection story, & more. Don't forget to bring your own basket.

Illinois History Fair

Congratulations to the following 8th graders for their accomplishment at the Illinois History Fair on Saturday. The following earned an Excellent on their projects: London R., Christopher H., Gabe S., Jared C., Lem C., Hannah R., Eli W., Sophie B., Faith M., and Ryan P. Congratulations to Molly S. who earned a Superior and qualified for the State History Fair in May.

Grade 3 & 4 Spring Musical

The Christ's Kids Choir of Good Shepherd Lutheran School invite you to attend their spring musical performance 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.

Summer Enrichment Classes

The Summer Enrichment Class information will be available next week.

Box Tops and Labels Program

The final BTLP collection date for the 2016-2017 school year is Wednesday, April 26th. The grade that collects the most box tops and labels per student by this date will earn a free dress day.

The Date! Vacation Bible School

Mark June 25th – June 29th on your calendar for Good Shepherd Vacation Bible School "Mighty Fortress In Jesus the Victory is Won!". More information will be coming. Join us this summer.

Camp Wartburg 2017

An informational flyer was sent home last week with each student. You may register for Camp Wartburg on-line at www.campwartburg.com. Questions, contact them by phone at 618-939-7715.

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 Mrs. Daniels' homeroom: Emily P., Clara R., Nyah R., Davin R., Keenan R., Meghan S., and

Nathan S.

Athletic Camps

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Athletic Camp forms were sent home for: Girl's Volleyball entering grades 3-5 / 6-8 Boy's and Girl's Basketball entering grades 3-5 / 6-8.

The forms can be found on our web site under recent news. Return the completed

forms along with payment to the school office. The deadline for the camp forms is May 15th.

Girl's Basketball June 05–09 Girls entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm Girls entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm Boy's Basketball June 12-16 Boys entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm Boys entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

Girl's Volleyball June 19-23 Girls entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm Girls entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

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 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 125 in attendance and over \$28,000 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!

Enrollment For 2017-18

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.

Honor Roll Corrections

Please note the corrections to the 3rd Quarter Honor Roll. Congratulations to the GSLS students for earning Honor Roll status this quarter.

Prospective Student Open House

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

Spring Yard Work Day

The Spring Yard Work Day at Good Shepherd will be on Saturday, April 8th starting at 8:00am until 12 noon. Please bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, etc. to help.

Box Tops and Labels

The next turn in date for the Box Tops and Labels program is Wednesday, March 29th. Please send the trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

Chapel

The Chapel offerings for the months of April and May will benefit families that need assistance with tuition. The GSLS Scholarship Fund is a way to assist families in receiving a Christian education at Good Shepherd.

Auction Baskets

We are accepting baskets for next year's auction. The baskets may be dropped in the school office. Thank you for supporting GSLS.

LEGO League Jr. Expo

On Saturday, March 18, two Jr. FLL teams from Good Shepherd participated in the Southwestern Illinois FIRST LEGO League Jr. Expo. The Extreme Hypotho Kids received the "Showmanship Award" for their integrated poster/model/presentation to the judges.

The <u>Graceful Geese</u> were presented with the "Li'l Einstein Award" for their discovery of interesting relationships in the species they studied.

Young Scientists Do Outstanding At Fair

The following seventh grade students from Good Shepherd Lutheran School in Collinsville, Illinois, participated in the Regional Science and Engineering Research Challenge at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on March 18, 2017. 'Outstanding Award': Maddy G., Matthew H., Megan H., Garrett S., Sydney S., Jenae W. and 'First Place Award': Declan G., Khusha J., Eli L., and Ella W. The following students received the Broadcom Masters Award and nominated to continue in the Society for Science and the Public Competition: Declan G., Megan H., and Jenae W.

SUMMER FUN Workers Needed

Good Shepherd's Summer Camp, nicknamed SUMMER FUN, has job openings
starting Tuesday, May 30. These are paid
positions for adults 16+ with full-time and
part-time jobs available. SUMMER FUN
will be open Monday through Friday,
from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm on Good Shepherd's campus. SUMMER FUN is for kids
from three years old to eighth grade, and
workers will lead activities and supervise
groups inside the buildings and outside on
the playgrounds and ball fields. Scheduled
field trips to local parks and recreational
areas will take place on a regular basis. We're looking for individuals who

enjoy leading kids' activities, can organize crafts and games, and model Christian love and behavior towards one another. SUMMER FUN ends Friday, August 11. If you're interested please contact us for more information right away. Call the School Office at 344–3153, or Mrs. Bedard at 344–3153 X 133, jbedard@gslcs.org, or Mr. Bohler at 344–3153, X 222, dbohler@gslcs.org.

Students To Sing At Busch Stadium

Tickets are On Sale Now! GSLS has been accepted this year to sing "God Bless America" at Busch Stadium on Sunday, July 9th, 2017 as the Cardinals take on the New York Mets! This performance will be open to students who are currently in 1st-8th Grade (during the 2016-17 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 Loge section 271 and 272, 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 pricejust \$20 and include a coupon for a FREE hot dog and soda at Busch Stadium—a \$58 total value! This great value is available only while supplies last, so reserve your spot and buy tickets for friends and family now.

EpiPens Recall

Four batches of life-saving anti-allergy EpiPens have been recalled because they may fail to activate or require increased force — with potentially deadly consequences.

Recalled batches are: http:// www.abc.net.au/news/2017-03-20/epipens -recalled-over-failure-toactivate/8371014? pfmredir=sm&sf64356347=1&smid=Page: