



Good Shepherd Charger News

“Heart of Our Hero”

John 15:12-13

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Something to Consider:

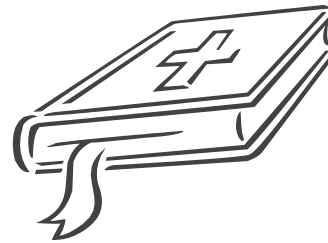
The Lord is the strength of my life.

Psalm 27:1

Can you remember a time when you felt so weak, so exhausted that you were sure you couldn't go on? Perhaps it was the result of a physical illness, the death of a loved one, or a time of extraordinary mental stress.

You should know that in those difficult times, God has promised to undergird you with His divine strength. That provision is available to you whenever you need it. All you have to do is ask.

You don't have to wait until your heart becomes overwhelmed to call on Him. He is waiting to hold you up and fill



you with inner strength during bad times and even during good times. Just call on Him!

Charger Headlines:

Good Shepherd Graduates

We wish you and your families God's richest blessings as you depart from Good Shepherd and enter into high school. Some of our families will be leaving us because of graduation so we thank you for your generous support over the years. May you continue to grow in His love! We will keep you all in our prayers and we ask that you keep GSLS in your prayers.

Thank You All for the Gifts

“Thank You” from the school office for the many gracious gifts, goodies, and cards that were received. Your thoughtfulness is truly appreciated.

Room Parents & Volunteers

The office would like to thank all the volunteers that have helped throughout the past school year. We greatly appreciate the time you generously donate.

Physical, Dental, Eye Exams

Eye Exams are required for students entering kindergarten and students enrolling from out of state. Forms are available on our website.

Physicals are required by the State of Illinois for students entering kindergarten, sixth grade, and students enrolling from out of state. The sixth grade physical also covers sports.

Fifth grade through eighth grade students will need a sports physical to participate in school sponsored sports. Forms are available on our website.

Dentals are required by the State of Illinois for students entering kindergarten, second grade, sixth grade, and students enrolling from out of state.

Sports Physicals are needed before participation in the sports program. Forms are available on our website.

All forms can be uploaded on TADS or sent to the school office by the first day of school. Forms are available on our website.

Congratulations

This year we are honoring the following workers for their years of service to Good Shepherd. Teacher's Aide, Mrs. Kober, 5 years, Teacher, Mrs. Sengele', 10 years, Teacher, Mrs. Daniels, 20 years, School Secretary, Mrs. Patterson 20 years, and Church Secretary, Mrs. Simpson 35 years.

We are also honoring those workers who will be leaving us after this year: Mrs. Gerber, our Preschool Aide and Mrs. Petersen, Resource Room Teacher. They were honored at the last school chapel on Thursday, May 25th. Thank you for your dedicated service to the Lord! May God continue to bless you and guide you in your faith!

A Look Ahead

Monday, May 29

-ECC Closed—Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 30

-Summer Fun Opens

Sunday June 4

-Mrs. Petersen Retirement Celebration After Late Church

Sunday, June 11

Open House 1:00-3:00pm

June 12-16 Chess Challenge

Gr. 3-5 10:00-11:30am

Gr. 6-8 1:00-3:00pm

Friday, June 16

-Band to Caseyville Parade

June 19-23 Science Enrichment

Gr. 2-8 12:00-2:00pm

June 19-23 Math Camp

Gr. 2-5 9:30-10:30am

Gr. 6-8 1:00-2:00pm

June 25-29

-Vacation Bible School

June 26-30 Math Enrichment

Gr. 2-5 9:30-10:30am

Gr. 6-8 10:45-11:45am

Tuesday, July 4

-Summer Camp & ECC Closed

Friday, July 7

-Band to Maryville Parade

Sunday, July 9

-Choir, Cardinals Game 1:15pm

Friday, August 11

-Summer Camp Ends

Saturday, August 12

-Resale Shop 9:00am-Noon

Monday, August 14

-Welcome Back & Resale Sale
6:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, August 16

-2017-18 School Year Begins

Saturday, August 26

-5K Charger Challenge



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks - Scrip

Walk-up sales will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Summer orders will be on an as needed basis, contact Mrs. Mayhew 618-345-1405. Regular weekly orders will resume in August. Be prepared for all the special spring and summer events: Father's Day, graduations, vacations, movies, dining out, road trips, home improvement projects, gardening...

Remember you can pay your Kohl's charge in the store with scrip cards!!

MELHS students are invited to earn tuition credits using scrip gift cards purchased through GSLS.

Check out www.shopwithscrip.com to sign up for online purchasing and Presto Pay. Enrollment code: F8CLL9AF2577. They have over 700 Vendor gift card choices. Customer service 800-727-4715.

State Track Meet

Congratulations to the state track team on their accomplishments at the LSA State Track Meet. The girls team took 39th place and the boys team for earned 19th place. Those that placed at the state meet were Will M. 4th in the hurdles, Erik B. 8th in the discus and 5th in the Shot Put, Faith M. 7th in the Triple Jump.

iPad Meeting Students Entering Gr. 7

Mark your calendar for your for the following dates for the iPad meeting for those 6th graders that will be 7th graders next year . Please plan to attend one of the informational meetings: July 18, 4:00/6:30; July 26 - 4:00/6:30.

Charger Challenge

Saturday, August 26th is the Good Shepherd Charger Challenge 5k & 5k Relay. Ask your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors to register for the race. Registration can be completed on-line at 5K - <http://www.active.com/collinsville-il/running/charger-challenge-5k-2017> RELAY - [http://www.active.com/collinsville-il/running/charger-challenge-](http://www.active.com/collinsville-il/running/charger-challenge-5k-relay-2017)

5k-relay-2017 or you can print a form at <http://www.gslcs.org/run>.

Want to run your first 5k! Check out the training page at <http://www.gslcs.org/run>. This 10-week course is being coached by Jenifer Schaller, RRCA certified running coach, owner of RunWell running store in Edwardsville, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church member and former GSLS mom (her daughter graduated in 2010). Don't want to race consider volunteering or sponsoring. Sponsor and volunteer information can be found at <http://www.gslcs.org/run>. The 2017 Charger Challenge will help fund the new MakerSpace/Collaboration Room.

Toy Donations to Summer Fun

Cleaning out your closet, garage, basement, attic or shed this summer? If you find toys, games, and sports equipment your children have outgrown, please consider donating them to us. Throughout June, July and August we'll have kids at Summer Fun from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and our before and after school program, TRACKS, starts up again this fall. We can use both outdoor and indoor toys, games, and sports equipment. For example: ball gloves, jump ropes, hula hoops, baseball pitchbacks, exercise balls, whiffle balls, frisbees, playsets like Littlest Pet Shop, craft supplies, Hot Wheels cars and track, Lincoln logs, building sets and board games. We have children in our programs from three years old to thirteen years old. Please drop off Monday through Friday at the SUMMER FUN / TRACKS door at the lower parking lot, or at the ECC entrance past the yellow fire hydrant.

TRACKS Thanks You

The staff of TRACKS, our Before and After School Program, thanks you for allowing us to care for your students. Throughout the school year 15-25 students arrived early each morning, with a few who arrived right after we opened at 6:00 a.m. Later, 25-50 students joined us each

afternoon, with several departing just before our 6:00 p.m. close. Your students were a joy to watch, and they loved playing with their friends outside and inside, while also getting some homework done. We hope everyone has an awesome summer vacation, and we look forward to seeing you again soon! Jorden, Bella, Brian, and Dave

GSLS Choir Students

GSLS Choir students will sing "God Bless America" on field at the Cardinals 1:15pm game scheduled for Sunday, July 9th. Questions, please contact Mr. Stegman.

Band To Participate in Parades

On Friday, June 16th the GSLS Charger Band will march in the Caseyville Homecoming Parade and on Friday, July 7th in the Maryville Parade. Please come and cheer when our students go by!

Summer Reading Programs

Collinsville Memorial Public Library is available throughout the summer for programs, reading events, and more. For more information, call 618-344-1112.

Maryville Public Library's reading programs theme is "Bee a Reader", This program is for children in grades K-6th. Registration is open until June 7th at the Maryville Community Library, or call 618-288-3801 for more information.

Glen Carbon Library's Summer Reading Program is "The Elements of Reading" (May 15- July 29. Register online, by phone 618-288-1212, or at the library.

The summer reading kick off is Saturday, June 3rd at 1:00pm.

Farewell Celebration

Come join us to help celebrate the ministry of Sue Petersen! We would like to thank her for her dedicated service to all the families over the many years. Sunday, June 4 after the late service has been designated as the day for the farewell. The events will take place in the fellowship hall of the church. There will be a table set up for cards and appreciation gifts.

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.

Summer Athletic Camps & Enrichment Classes

Science Enrichment June 19-23

Students entering Gr. 2-8,
June 19-23 12:00-2:00pm

Math Refinement

June 19-23 & June 26-30

Students entering Gr. 2-5,

Week 1 / June 19-23 9:30-10:30pm
Week 2 / June 26-30 9:30-10:30pm

Students entering Gr. 6-8,

Week 1 / June 19-23 1:00-2:00pm
Week 2 / June 26-30 10:45-11:45am

Chess Challenge June 12-16

Students entering Gr. 3-5,
June 12-16 10:00-11:30am
Students entering Gr. 6-8,
June 12-16 1:00-3:00pm

Athletic Camps

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. Please 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

Retreads...

Enrollment

Tell a friend about Good Shepherd Lutheran School. We will be celebrating 34 years of "Quality Christian Education". Open House is scheduled for June 11th from 1-3 p.m. Please share the information with others who are interested in a Christ-centered education.

Dress Code

Just a reminder of no shorts or capri pants on Thursday, May 25th for Chapel. Your child may have a free day on Fri., May 26th, picnic day. Early dismissal is 11:30am on Friday, May 26th.

Collecting School Supplies

Parents not wanting their children to take home their used school supplies (crayons, markers, glue, etc.) may place them in the collection boxes around school.

Congratulations Track Team

Congratulations to Good Shepherd's Track Team. They earned 4th place at the SID Track Meet.

GSLS Summer Fun Camp

Summer Fun Camp will open Tuesday, May 30th and will end Friday, August 11th. Camp will not be in session on Tuesday, July 4th. Questions, see Mr. Bohler or contact the school office at 618-344-3153.

Achievement Test Results

The Achievement Test results will be sent home on Friday, May 19th. When you receive the reports if you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Piano Guild

Congratulations to seven of Mrs.

Fuhrmann's Good Shepherd piano students, Atticus B., Livia B., Andrew L., Katelyn P., Alex R., Isabella S., and Kanalu W. for their fine ability and commitment to perform lengthy, memorized piano music at the National Guild.

Vacation Bible School

In Jesus the Victory is Won!

At Mighty Fortress, kids learn that God is their refuge and strength. Friends may fail them. They may not ace their test or make the team, but God promises to be their rock and their salvation—their fortress and sure defense. So raise your banner! In Jesus, the victory is won!

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 25-29, 2017 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

If you are interested in helping with VBS, please email jsimpson@gslcs.org or call the church at 618-344-3151.

Latin

It has been a pleasure and a blessing teaching your children Latin at Good Shepherd Lutheran School for the past several years. They are amazing children and eager to learn new things. This year has been my last year at Good Shepherd. Although I will miss the family at Good Shepherd, I will be attending Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, Indiana this fall, in order to prepare for the ministry. Blessings to you and your children. Mr. Buettner, Latin Teacher

FIRST LEGO League Registration

We're about to enter the 4th year of Good Shepherd's involvement in the FIRST STEM program. While this program does

provide an opportunity for the kids to work on some cool LEGO projects, it's much more than that! It focuses on skills that will benefit the students throughout their lives, such as teamwork, project management, and problem-solving.

The program is open to students entering grades K-8. PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE FALL TO SIGN UP. The FIRST season starts at the end of August. In order to ensure that the teams are established and ready by the end of August, we need to start forming the teams now. If you are interested in this program, please contact Matt at mklaupt@gmail.com. You can also join our Facebook Group at www.facebook.com/groups/gslsfirst. For more information about the FIRST Jr. FLL and FLL programs, please visit www.firstinspires.org.

Horseradish Festival Pageant

The 2017 Little Miss and Mister & Junior Miss Horseradish Festival will be held on Sunday, June 4 at 4pm at Woodland Park in Collinsville. Entry forms and information regarding the rules for the pageant are available in the school office.

Horseradish Festival 5K Run

5K Run registration and start will be Sunday, June 4th at 8:00am at the west entrance of Woodland Park at the corner of Pine Lake Road and Olive Street. Registration forms for the Horseradish Festival 5K Run are available in the school office. Questions, call Teresa at 618-604-5767.