



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“Here I Stand”

1 Corinthians 16:13

Seventh Edition  
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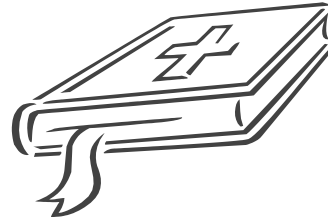
## Something to Consider:

**If we are living in the light of God's presence, just as Christ is, then we have fellowship with one another.—1 John 1:7**

“Fellowship” is an old-fashioned-sounding word, bringing to mind potlucks complete with fat laden casseroles and colorful gelatin salads eaten in church basement “fellowship halls.” But, true fellowship is never out of date. It's people living on the

cutting edge of community, sharing life together. When Christ is the center of that life, that common bond is more than friendship. It's a love that matures through differences and struggles, as well as through praise and play.

To experience fellowship, you have to involve your life with lives of other people who believe in Christ. You need to risk being real and work your way through



problems, instead of running from them. Only then can you experience the joy that being part of God's family brings.

## Charger Headlines:

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

The homeroom teachers will be emailing out Parent/Teacher Conference information for your convenience in scheduling a time to meet with the teacher. Conferences are scheduled for Thurs. and Fri., Oct. 26-27. Your child's report card will be available at your scheduled meeting time.

The following are ways to help you prepare for the conference:

1. Talk with your child before the conference regarding why there are conferences, seek ways to partner with the school, ask about any specific concerns regarding schoolwork or relationships with classmates.
2. Prepare questions such as, “Is my child meeting expectations for learning and behavior? Does my child pay attention? If my child is struggling what can

we do to help the situation?”

3. Be ready to collaborate, not attack or defend! Teachers will give parents bad news because they want the child to do better. Remember the teacher has the child's best interest in mind. Don't get defensive, but indicate how we can partner with the school in finding a solution for improvement?.
4. If the teacher doesn't offer positive information, ask directly! Remember teachers often only hear negative comments too. Be sure to try to offer a compliment, a thank-you, etc. to let the teacher know you appreciate what they are trying to do to help your child—even when it doesn't seem to be working.
5. Don't be afraid to ask questions if you don't understand or feel your concerns are not being

addressed. Conferences are just that, a time to interact with the teacher regarding your child. How you approach the conference will determine what you will benefit from the conference. Please remember the conference is the time to discuss matters and not elsewhere. If you have questions about conferences, please call and I will help so the conference will be positive for all involved.

### NO SCHOOL

There is no school Friday, October 6th and Monday, October 9th. All classes resume Tuesday, October 10th.

### WE HAVE A HASHTAG!

Whenever you're posting on social media about Good Shepherd, please put #gslschargers at the end of your post. Let's all promote our wonderful school in this way!

## A Look Ahead

### Saturday, September 30

-Girls Pee Wee Basketball 8:00am  
-Girls B Volleyball Belleville Tournament

### Sunday, October 1

-Christ's Kids Choir 8:00am  
-Cherub Choir 10:30am  
-Harvest Fest 2:00-6:00pm

### Monday, October 2

-No Charger Bucks—Scrip Orders This Week

### Thursday, October 5

-Chapel 8:25am

-Cross Country TMS Jamboree at Triad

### Friday, October 6

-NO SCHOOL Teachers' Conference

### Monday, October 9

-NO SCHOOL Columbus Day

### Tuesday, October 10

-All Classes Resume



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# Charger Headlines Continues...

## **Charger Bucks-Scrip Program**

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Oct. 16 & 30, Nov. 6, 13, 27. (have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m.) Walk-up sales will resume on Fridays from 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Please remember to fill out a new registration form for this school year along with your first order!!!! The Scrip Program is a tuition reduction program for Good Shepherd Lutheran School families and friends. We strongly encourage all Good Shepherd families to purchase their groceries, gasoline, clothing and other goods and services using the SCRIP gift certificates. 50% of your credits earned may go toward the reduction of your tuition or you may donate your credits toward Good Shepherd Lutheran School's General Fund. If you have any questions please contact the school office 344-3153. Tell your family & friends about this program.

## **Blood Drive**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will once again be hosting the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Drive on Monday, October 23, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. With all the recent hurricane damage, many blood supplies are low. Please consider the time to donate for such a good cause.

## **Special \$1.00 Fridays**

On Friday, October 13 the students will be able to wear jeans on this day for a \$1.00 donation. If you want to participate, bring your dollar and give it to the teacher that day. On "Jeans Day", you can wear GSLS sportswear or standardized tops. Thanks for your support! Proceeds will go towards the Trivia Night on Nov. 11th. Hope you would support the cause by joining in on the fun!

## **Trivia Night**

Trivia Night is scheduled for Saturday, November 11th. Tables of up to 10 are \$200. Please stop by the office with your registration form. Gather up your friends and family for a fun night out! Lots of prizes, silent auction items and much, much more. This fundraiser is in place of the Christmas Sale and Candy Sale.

## **A Special Thank You**

A special thank you to our Diamond Sponsor, Tiger Plumbing and Silver Sponsors, Weber Chevrolet and Clary Steel Transport for their support to our Trivia Night.

## **Open House**

Thank you for attending this year's Open House on Monday, September 25. This is always a great mid-point in the first quarter to see what is being done in the classroom and the ability to ask questions to help clarify any topics. Your partnership is valuable when there is two way communication.

## **Thank You**

Thank you to the 5th grade for sponsoring the Standardized Dress Re-Sale Shop last month. A special thank you to coordinators, B. Rayburn and A. Swarthout, and all the volunteer parents. This year's sale earned \$777.00 and was a great success due to everyone's generosity!

Proceeds from this event benefit GSLS Scholarship Fund.

## **Lice Volunteers Needed**

Although Good Shepherd students have not experienced problems with lice nearly as often as is becoming more common, we must remain vigilant and deal with situations immediately. Lice are no respecter of cleanliness. To have lice does not mean a child or family is unclean.

Parents are **REQUIRED** to immediately report to the school if their child is found to have lice. **THIS IS NOT OPTIONAL.** The

school, at minimum, inspects the student, siblings, and all students in classes of affected students. **STUDENTS CANNOT RETURN TO CLASS OR ANY SCHOOL ACTIVITY UNTIL THEY ARE "NIT FREE"** as determined by the school office. By working together, we can keep problems with lice to the bare minimum. Please consider making yourself available to help inspect children for lice. Training and gloves will be provided. Contact the school office (344-3153) if you can make yourself available on an as-needed basis.

## **Scholastic Book Fair Coming Soon!!**

Reading for pleasure inside and outside of school has real and long-lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.
- Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

## **Book Fair dates: October 31-Nov. 2nd**

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school! Also, if you are interested in volunteering during the fair, please contact: [mcombs@gslcs.org](mailto:mcombs@gslcs.org) or [jlingafelter@gslcs.org](mailto:jlingafelter@gslcs.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 Mrs. Batty's homeroom:

Caleb D, Grayson G, Ezri G, Liam G, Ava G, Dean H, Madyson H, and Emily K.

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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.

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## Good Shepherd Lutheran School TRIVIA NIGHT

November 11th, 2017

Madison County Fireman's Hall - Collinsville, IL

Please join us for a fun adult evening rocking your best 50's gear!

Cash Prizes for Trivia Winners

Prizes for best 50's costume and best 50's table décor

Doors open: 6:00 pm

Trivia begins: 7:00 pm. Sharp

Teams are welcome to bring treats to share with your table.

**NO OUTSIDE DRINKS ARE PERMITTED.**

Mulligans will be sold before the start of the event.

We will have games and a chance to win a fun prize.

Please be early to check in and prepare your team.

Please complete the registration form below and turn it in to the school office along with a check made payable to: Good Shepherd Lutheran School for \$200.00 for a table of 10.



Good Shepherd Lutheran School TRIVIA NIGHT  
November 11th, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_ Team Name

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**Trivia team player names:**

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Tables are limited so please turn in your registration ASAP.

# Retreads...

## **Papa John's Pizza Night**

Papa John's Pizza Night is Mon., Sept. 25th. Thank you for supporting GSLS at Papa John's Pizza.

## **Pictures For Yearbook**

We need your pictures!!! It is that time of the year again where we are thinking ahead to the yearbook. Please send in any pictures of sporting and music events, classroom activities, field trips, parties, practices, and things I've forgotten. You can send pictures in through email to [jbatty@gslcs.org](mailto:jbatty@gslcs.org), [kkrause@gslcs.org](mailto:kkrause@gslcs.org), [lsengele@gslcs.org](mailto:lsengele@gslcs.org), or [epritchard@gslcs.org](mailto:epritchard@gslcs.org).

Pictures can also be sent in on a disk or flash drive. Thank you in advance for helping to make the yearbook great!

## **Thanks for Your Support!**

Thank you to all for supporting the 8th graders in purchasing "Italian" chicken breast sandwiches and by using Ever's parking lot and for the donations. The Class of 2018 made a profit of \$7,642.23 with chicken sandwich sales, deliveries, parking lot and donations! All Italian Fest proceeds will go toward their 2018 class trip to D.C.

Thank you to the coordinators, volunteers, and donors. It was truly a community effort!

## **Harvest Fest!**

Come join us in fun and fellowship on Sunday, October 1st from 2pm - 6pm. There is a lot to enjoy including: food, entertainment, photo booth, face-painting, bounce houses, fire truck, petting zoo, balloons, and games. Invite your friends and neighbors too!

## **Mid-Quarter Reports**

Mid-Quarter reports will be available to view when you log into Educate on Monday, September 25th. Please contact your teacher if you are unable to log in to access the report or have any questions. This is a great opportunity to discuss the progress of your child with their teacher. Use this report as a tool to help your child.

## **Medicine Distribution**

GSLS does not provide pain reliever or

any other medications to the students.

Please send in a package of your preferred pain relief, etc. Please label with your child(ren's) name to be stored in the school office for their use only while at school. All medicines need to be taken to the school office for proper distribution. Please complete a new medication form and send it in to the school for your child's medicine file located in the school office. The authorization form for medication distribution is on the front page of our website. Thank you for partnering with us.

## **Our 50's Trivia Night**

Our 50's Trivia Night School Fund Raiser is coming soon! We are asking for your HELP, this trivia night will be replacing the yearly Christmas sales and candy sales. We are asking for each "Family" to donate a gift card (You can use Scrip) a minimum amount of \$10 dollars, the gift card can be any amount and to any location. We will be raffling these gift cards at our Trivia night.

We appreciate your help and hope that eliminating two yearly fund raisers will be a little easier on you!!!

We encourage you to join us for this fun filled night, Saturday November 11, 2017, 6-9:30pm Madison County Fireman's Hall, Collinsville.

Tables of up to 10 are \$200. Please stop by the office with your registration form. Gather up your friends and family for a fun night out! Lots of prizes, silent auction items and much, much more.

We appreciate your help to make this event a successful fund raiser for our school.

## **Parents of the 7th & 8th Graders**

We are so excited, Annual Good Shepherd Lutheran School Trivia Night is set for Saturday, November 11, 2017. It will be held at the Madison County Fireman's Hall, Collinsville, IL. We have chose a 50's theme trivia this year.

We do need your help to ensure this is a fun event for everyone! We would love for our seventh and eighth graders to be part of this!

Duties would include:

\*selling gift cards

\*picking up answer sheets after each round of trivia

\* selling mulligans

\*Dressing up in 50s attire to match the theme

\* Set-up and break down tables and chairs

\* adult supervision will be provided for the kids

\*\*All of their duties will earn points towards the National Honor Society for 8th graders.

Save the date and join us. \$200 per table,

\*maximum of 10 persons per table

Again, we encourage the Jr. high students to help make this a night to remember.

## **Jeans Day**

On Friday, September 29th and October 13th, there will be a "Jeans Day" for \$1.00 to help raise funds for Trivia Night. If you want to participate, bring your dollar and give it to the teacher that day. On "Jeans Day", you can wear GSLS sportswear or standardized tops. Thanks for your support!

## **Athletic Boosters**

If you have a child in athletics in grades 4-8, it is important to stop in the office and help volunteer for home contests or tournaments. These events help us fund the athletics by paying entry fees for our teams, purchasing equipment, and uniforms. We need your help so we can provide workers and represent Good Shepherd in a good way. Thank you for those parents who have helped in our volleyball events! Please contact Mr. Mayhew for assisting in home contests and the GSLS Tournaments.

## **MELHS 40th Anniversary**

40 Years...Greatly Blessed" is the theme this year for the 2017-2018 school year at Metro-East Lutheran High School. It is a special year as we celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Lutheran High with many events and activities along the way. Please check our website for up-to-date information on celebration events being planned throughout the year. A special invitation to alumni and alumni families to come out and join us throughout the year.