

Good Shepherd Charger News

"Here I Stand"

1 Corinthians 16:13

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Something to Consider:

Honor God by accepting each other. as Christ has accepted you. Romans 15:7

God accepts you warts and all. Can you do the same for those around you? It's easy to get distracted. A different race, different religious beliefs, even a different style of clothes can lead you to make judgments before

you even carry on a conversation with someone.

The key is to bypass what you see and focus on what you know. God created each person with great love and care. God accepts each person, even if he or she has not accepted Him. The more you learn to view others through God's love instead of sizing them up with your eyes the easier it will be to accept



them as equals, treat them as friends, and love them as God's precious children.

A Look Ahead

Saturday, September 16

- -Girls Pee Wee Basketball 9:00am
- -GSLS Italian Fest Booth Proceeds Toward 8th Grade
- Class Trip 2018 -Baseball SIJHSAA Regional Through Sept. 26th
- -Girls A Volleyball at Belleville Tournament

Monday, September 18

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

Tuesday, September 19

- -Gr. 3&4 at MELHS Field
- -Girls AC Volleyball at Belleville 6:30pm
- -Cross Country Edwardsville XC Invite 4:00 at SIUE

-Boys Baseball at Edwardsville 4:00pm

Thursday, Sept. 21

- -Chapel 8:25am
- -Gr. 6 Outdoor Ed. Through Friday

Friday, September 22

-GSLS Volleyball Tournament Through Saturday

Charger Headlines:

Italian Fest This Weekend

Come out and support the 8th grade class at the Italian Fest this Friday and Saturday, September 15th & 16th.

Stop by their booth for a \$6.00 Italian Chicken Sandwich. We look forward to serving you. Parking is available behind the former Evers Pharmacy building on Clay Street (\$5.00 donation). All proceeds will go toward the 2018 class trip.

Open House

Please note, the Open House is scheduled for Monday, September 25th. The times are as follows: 7:00 & 7:45pm for Grades K-Gr. 4; 7:45 & 8:00pm for Grades 5-8.

Please plan to attend.

Summer Challenge

We have finished counting the box tops and labels from the Summer Challenge and the re-

sults are in! The winning grade of the Box Tops and Labels Summer Challenge is the 3rd grade - Mrs. Batty and Mrs. Pritchard's classes. They collected a total of 729 box tops and labels with a per student average of 47 box tops and

labels. Their prize is a free dress day in September! Overall, the students at GSLS collected 3,745 box tops and labels. We are off to a great start this year! A big thank you to all the families who participated.

Picture Day Thank You

Thank you to the parents who volunteered to help with picture day. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Entertainment Books

Entertainment books are still available for sale for \$30.00. Call the school office, contact Mr. Rincker, or see any 8th grade

student. Proceeds will go towards the 2018 class trip.

Hearing and Vision

Please mark your calendars for Hearing & Vision Testing for K - Wednesday, Sept. 20 8 Grade, which is scheduled for September 21 and 22. The make up day will be October 19.

Retakes & Fall Sports Pictures Sports pictures will be taken

before school on Friday, October

Boys Baseball 7:00 a.m. C Girls Volleyball 7:15 a.m. Cross Country 7:25 a.m. A Girls Volleyball 7:35 a.m. All players need to be dressed in uniform and have picture order forms ready. If you are not having individual pictures taken, we still need a team picture. Please make sure your child is there and

Individual pictures will begin at 8:30 am.



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks-Scrip Program

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Sept. 18 & 25, Oct. 16 & 30. (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 your 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.

Papa John's Pizza Night

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

Box Tops & Labels Program

The next turn in date for the Box Tops and Labels program is Tuesday, September 26th. Please send the trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

Athletic Booster Sign-up

Parents with students in grades 4-8 who are participating in athletics MUST sign up to work home games. Please contact Mr. Mayhew or stop by the school office. We are still in need of parents to work home athletic contests and tournaments. Students will not be allowed to

participate if you have not signed up for 5 slots.

Challengers

Our Challengers program is about ready to start for the 2017-18 school year! Challengers is a fun program that offers learning activities in the areas of science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM). Students will meet twice a month at 7 a.m. in Room 203 (Mrs. Italiano's classroom). A fee of \$25.00 will be assessed to help cover the cost of materials. For more information, please contact Beth Italiano at 344-2153 ext 203. The meeting dates are:

September – 8, 29; October – 13, 20; November – 3, 17; December – 1, 15 January – 12, 26; February – 9, 23 March – 9, 23; April – 6, 20

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!

GSLS Trivia Committee

Please mark your calendars for our next trivia meeting this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

GSLS Sports Wear Order

The order form for ordering GSLS polos, sweatshirts, pullovers, etc. has been send home. Please place your orders in the school office by Thursday, September 28th.

Parking Lot

Parents, if you have students in 2nd grade and up use the main doors for drop off and

pick up. Those students in 1st grade and lower, plus siblings use the lower drop off and pick up doors. Thank you for your cooperation.

GSLS Trivia Night

Do you know random things? Usually have the answers to questions? Or just want to have a good time and some laughs? Join us for a fun night of trivia on November 11th at the Fireman's Hall in Collinsville, Illinois! Doors open at 6 p.m. and trivia starts at 7 p.m. Teams of 8 welcome to compete for prizes and play games. Please call the school office to reserve your table of 10 for \$200! A great way to help support the ministry of Good Shepherd.

What's on the list for topics? A lil bit of advertising trivia, a dash of music trivia and bits of random trivia. Dress in your best 50's gear to win a prize for best costume and be sure to complete the fun by decorating your table with your very favorite 50's theme for another chance at a fun prize!

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.

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 Mr. Krueger's

homeroom: Miguel B., Dani C., Rebe D., Kassi G., Augie J., Jacob K.

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...

Open House

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Italian Fest - Dinner To Go Place your

order for 3:15pm Dinner to Go. Italian Chicken Sandwich, Chips, and a Bottle of Water \$6.00 on Thursday, September 14th at 3:15pm school pick up time. Don't cook dinner on Thursday. Come by the school lobby and grab dinner to go!

Orders must be received by Wednesday, September 13th at 3:00pm. Proceeds Benefit Good Shepherd Lutheran School's 8th Grade trip to Washington D.C. Fax order to 618-344-3156 or bring order form to the school office. Money is due at deliv-ery (Checks or Cash please). Make checks payable to GSLS 8th Grade Trip.

Parking at the Italian Fest

The eighth grade class is offering parking during the Italian Fest on Clay Street for \$5.00 per vehicle (behind the building where the Evers Pharmacy was formally located). Proceeds will go toward the 2018 class trip.

Harvest Fest - Oct 1st Are you ready f or some old fashioned family fun? Mark your calendar for Harvest Fest, Sunday, October 1st form 2:00 – 6:00pm! Your room parent will contact you regarding your classroom's game/activity booth. Every family will be needed! Bounce Houses, Games, Food, Homemade Pie, Chili Cook-off, Pumpkins, and Crafts.

Room Parents

The Room Parent meeting has taken place. Please contact your classroom teacher to begin the planning of events. Room Parents, if you haven't met with Mr. Mayhew, please contact the school office. Thank you for assisting our

teachers at Good Shepherd.

SIUE Homework Hotline

Get free help with your math homework! Students in grades 5-8 can call in and ask math homework questions. Tutors are SIUE students who are trained to help in math home-work. This program is available Sunday-Thursday 6:00- 10:00pm in September 5- May 31. Call 618-650-3072.

Needed—Recycled Paper

If anyone has access to recycled 8 $1/2 \times 11$ white paper, please contact the school office. We would use the back side to run copies on.

Magazine Sales

Thank you to the parents and students that helped make this sale a success. Thank you to the ladies that helped with the magazine sale

Prepaid Lunch Reminder

Please check your student(s) Cafeteria Account to make sure they have funds to purchase lunch. All lunch/milk purchases must be prepaid through your Educate Cafeteria Account.

Welcome Student Teacher

My name is Gerald Brenner, and I am excited to be student teaching in Mr. Rincker's and Ms. Comb's classes this semester. I will be teaching 6th grade Reading and Religion, 7th grade English, Science and Health, and 8th grade Reading, Science, and Health. I am a senior at Concordia University Chicago and will be graduating in December with a degree in Lutheran Middle Grades Education. I grew up in the St. Louis area, where I attended Messiah Lutheran in Weldon Springs, MO and Lutheran High St. Charles in St. Peters, MO. My family and I are members at Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Charles, MO. My fiancée, Emily, is also in Lutheran Education. She graduated from Concordia University Chicago this past May and is teaching at Trinity Lutheran in Roselle, IL. In addition to teaching, I will also be helping out with the baseball team. I am looking forward to working with the students and getting to know everyone. Most of all, I am excited to see how God works through my time here at Good Shepherd.

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 CAN-NOT 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 asneeded basis.

School Counseling

Hi! I am Mrs. Cuddeback the counselor here at Good Shepherd. I am a licensed clinical social worker with experience in family and individual counseling, grief counseling and counseling in schools. I will be at school on Tuesdays. If you think your child might benefit from additional support, you have concerns about your child, or you need assistance with resources in the community, contact me. This year we again have a grant from LESA (Lutheran Elementary School Association) that supports special character programming in your child's classroom. Look for information in your student's classroom newsletter on the topics we cover and ask your child about the activities!

MELHS

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to join us for Homecoming 2017 during the week of September 25th where we will have many activities and events for you to come and join in on. Please check the website for more details as we celebrate with spirit week, athletic events, and the coronation and dance. All friends, families, and alumni of Lutheran High are invited to attend.

Ink Cartridges

This year we are again collecting used ink jet cartridges as a fundraiser for our technology program. Please send them with your child and place them in the box located by the Scrip Office. Thank you for your support.