



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“Here I Stand”

1 Corinthians 16:13

Eighth Edition  
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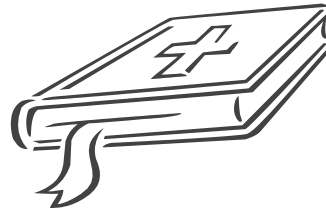
## Something to Consider:

**What does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with God.  
Micah 6:8**

Mercy is the key that sets a prisoner free. It extends grace in place of judgment, forgiveness in place of punishment, honor in place of disdain. It makes no sense, except to a

heart filled with God's unconditional love.

Mercy is a gift God asks you to give to others—not because they deserve it, but because of the mercy God has demonstrated in your own life. Ask God to bring to mind anyone who could use a tender touch of His mercy. Depending on how God leads you to bestow this special gift, the one who re-



ceives it may never even be fully aware of its extent. But, you will. You'll find that being merciful frees up your heart to love more authentically.

## Charger Headlines:

### Harvest Fest

Thank you to the committee for all your work and to all the parents that helped with setting up, decorations, signage, doing the behind the scenes and taking down. We were blessed with beautiful weather, had an awesome day, and great fellowship for the entire school and church families. It's nice to see what can happen when we all volunteer our time and efforts!

### Scholastic Book Fair NOTE Date Change

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair is on **October 31st-November 2nd**. The Book Fair is a great way to encourage reading! It also helps to build our school and classroom libraries. Please make plans to visit. Shopping Hours: 7:50-8:40am and 2:50-3:40 pm each day.

We are also in need of volunteers. Please consider donating an hour of your time before or after school.

### Attention All Veterans!

The students of Good Shepherd Lutheran School would like to invite you to a special assembly in honor of all veterans on Friday, November 10, at 2:00p.m. in the school gym. The students would like to just say “thank you” to all those who have served our country throughout the years. It is a wonderful time for us to teach them about patriotism and the sacrifices that have been given for our freedoms. If you can attend, please let the school office know by calling 344-3153, or e-mail [princker@gslcs.org](mailto:princker@gslcs.org). Please join us!

### Jeans Day \$1.00 Fridays

Thank you to all that participated in our first Jeans Day on Friday, September 29th. We collected a total of \$161. Our next Jeans Day is scheduled for Friday, October 13th. The students will be able to wear jeans on this day by bringing in a \$1. The tops will be GSLS Sportswear, Spirit wear, or standardized dress. Proceeds will go towards the Trivia Night on November 11th. Hope you would support the cause by joining in on the fun and bringing in a \$1 to your teacher that day for a Jeans Day!

### Reading Night

Save the Date! Reading night is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 2nd from 6:00-7:30pm for students in ECC through Grade 3.

## A Look Ahead

### Monday, October 9

-NO SCHOOL—Columbus Day

-No Scrip Orders This Week

-Board Meeting 7:00pm

### Tuesday, October 10

-Cross Country Highland Middle 4:00pm at Highland High School

-AC Volleyball Home vs. Bethalto

### Thursday, October 12

-Chapel 8:25am

-Girls AC Volleyball at Green Park 5:00pm

### Friday, October 13

-AC Volleyball Home vs. Litchfield 6:00pm  
8th Grade Night

### Saturday, October 14

-Cross Country SIJHSAA State Meet



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# Charger Headlines Continues...

## **Charger Bucks-Scrip**

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Oct. 16 & 30, Nov. 6, 13, 27. Please have your order in the school office by 9:00 a.m. on these dates.

Walk-up sales will continue on Fridays from 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. and on Sunday mornings between services.

## **Contact Teachers**

The end of the first quarter is Friday, October 20th which is approaching quickly. Please contact your teacher about classroom procedures, grades, etc. Conferences are scheduled for Thurs. and Fri., Oct. 26-27. Your child's report card will be available at your scheduled meeting time.

## **Reminder for Parents**

Parents who have children participating in extra curricular activities after 3:30 p.m. will need to enter the school by the T.R.A.C.K.S. area. Children will exit through the main doors of the school after practices.

## **Involvement**

Do you know what your children are doing at school or even outside of school activities? Studies have shown that by being involved produces positive outcomes. By being involved you show that you care, but you also model the behavior to your children, so they see the importance of helping others too!

## **Trivia Night—Gift Cards Needed**

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. These gift cards will be used at our Trivia night.

We encourage you to join us for this fun filled night, Saturday November 11, 2017, 6-9:30pm Fireman's Hall in 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 and hope that eliminating two yearly fund raisers will be a little easier on you!!!

## **Trivia Night Reservations**

Tables are limited, so please turn in your registration ASAP to the school office to reserve your table. Doors open at 6:00pm and trivia begins at 7:00-9:30pm. There will be cash prizes for the trivia winners, for best 50's costume, and best 50's table décor. We will have fun games and a chance to win fun prizes. Teams are welcome to bring snacks to share with your table.

NO outside drinks are permitted.

This fundraiser is in place of the Christmas Sale and Candy Sale.

## **GSLs Position Opening**

Good Shepherd Early Childhood Center is accepting applications for a Preschool Assistant. Hours are 11:45 - 3:45 M - F. Applicants should have plenty of energy, love children, a positive attitude and be able to get down on the floor, sit in little chairs and carry around nap cots and possibly young children. Contact Robert Mayhew, 344-3153 or Julie Bedard: jbedard@gslcs.org. Position begins October 16.

## **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.

## **MELHS Annual Auction**

38th Annual Night of Knights Auction! Mark your calendar for Friday, November 3, 2017 at the Doubletree Hotel in Collinsville. Doors open at 5:00pm, Dinner Buffet begins at 6:30pm, and Live Auction starts at 8:00pm. If you are Alumni and haven't attended an auction, you are eligible for a Buy One ticket Get One ticket half price. Reservations are required and due by October 14th. Tickets are \$55.00 each. Contact the school office for details. Also, DONATIONS are Greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the MELHS office!

## 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. Pritchard's homeroom: James A., Keegan A., Isaak B., Ezra C., and Emilie C.

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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

\_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone

**Trivia team player names:**

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Tables are limited so please turn in your registration ASAP.

# Retreads...

## 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 Thursday and Friday, October 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!

### 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.

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### 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 25th. 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.

### 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.