

Good Shepherd Charger News

"Secure In His Arms" Psalm 27:1

All School Newsletter March 26, 2021

Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 27

- Virtual Auction Bidding Ends @ 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 28

- Winning bidders Pick up Auction items - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Monday, March 29-April 5

- No School - Easter Break

Saturday, April 3

- 8th Grade Virtual History Fair
- Good Shepherd Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 8

- Chapel 8:25 a.m. Gr. 3-8
- Chapel 8:50 a.m. ECC-Gr. 2

Friday, April 9

 Theme T-Shirt day "Secure in His Arms" Psalm 27:1

Monday, April 12-Friday, April 23

- Apex Fun Run

Friday, April 16

- Mid-Quarter
- Virtual Musical @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 17

- GSLS Track Meet @ CHS 9:00 a.m.

For more information: gslcs.org/calendars



Charger Headlines...

Virtual Auction Sponsor Spotlight

This year's Virtual Auction **ends tomorrow, Saturday, March 27th at 8:00 p.m.** It's not too late to register and bid on 125 packages! Please go to http://events.handbid.com/auctions/good-shepherd-school-auction-2021 to register. Winning bidders can pick up their items from the school lobby between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. this Sunday, March 28th.

Thank you very much to this year's Virtual Auction sponsors! Nathan Spudich with Edward Jones (https://www.edwardjones.com/us-en/financial-advisor/nathan-spudich) is our Premier Partner. Jill Laux Schubert with The Law Offices of Jill J. Laux, L.L.C (www.JillLaux.com) and Betsy Forman with Polaris Travel Advisors by Dream Vacations (www.PolarisTravelAdvisors.com) are our Supporters. Their support is greatly appreciated!



Good Shepherd Easter Egg Hunt

All are invited to the Good Shepherd Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 3rd at 10:00 a.m., Preschool-8th Grade. We will meet at the Church entrance. Invite your neighbors and friends! Any questions please contact Andrew Streuter at 618-977-1981 or andrewstreuter@gmail.com.



Mrs. Streuter

Mrs. Streuter has accepted her call to teach Jr. High classes at Zion Lutheran School in St. Charles, MO beginning this fall. We thank her for her dedication to our students during her 12 years at Good Shepherd. She and her family will be missed. We wish them only the best and know God will continue to bless them and her teaching ministry.

Teacher Highlight

This week we are honoring our Sixth Grade Teacher, Mr. Michael Voss.

Mr. Voss attended Concordia University Chicago in River Forest, Illinois, and has been teaching for forty years. He knew teaching was a passion of his when God called him into the ministry of teaching in the early '80s when he worked with students in Belleville, IL. Sixth-Eighth grade is his favorite age range to teach because he feels students that age often have good discussions in class, and can be



challenged to use their imagination. "I want my students to know that God is important, and Jesus is their Lord and Savior."

Charger Headlines Continued...

Pastor's Corner

Easter services this year will be Saturday, April 3rd at 5:30 p.m., Sunday at 8:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. We will also have a special Drive-In Easter Service on the lower parking lot at 9:15 a.m. Our Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 3rd at 10:00 a.m. Maundy Thursday Services will be April 1st at 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Services will be April 2nd at 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. -Pastor Walther



APEX Fun Run

Apex Fun Run will be held again this year April 12-23. Apex is a 2-week interactive school leadership program that promotes leadership habits, good character and fitness, combined with a fitness focused fundraiser that also helps our school raise funds. Students will be challenged to get pledges



for laps they will complete on event day. Family and friends any where in the world can pledge and support our students and school. (See attachment.)

Virtual History Fair

Eighth grade students have done research for a history project and created a process paper and exhibit. This year being virtual, nine students chose to submit their projects via a portal set up by the state. They are currently being judged and results will be posted in April.

No Summer Sports Camps at GSLS

There will be no summer sports camps for Boys and Girls Basketball or Girls Volleyball this summer.

Re-Enrollment

If you have not yet done so, NOW is the time to re-enroll your child(ren). You have easy access to re-enroll through the parent portal in FACTS or use this <u>link</u> to re-enroll through the school website. (Our District Code is GS-IL).

Something to Consider...

Christ is Risen He is Risen Indeed

What a joy and a pleasure it is to share that special Easter message to those around you. The Easter message should be shared daily to remind us of the great promise His resurrection has for us. In the 24th chapter of Luke, the women went to the tomb where they saw it was empty. This reminded them of Jesus words "The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again." Others did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. Jesus later appeared to the disciples who were startled, thinking it was a ghost. They still did not believe even though He showed them. This is much like our faith. It is very important to read and study the Word and allow the Holy Spirit to work within us. As Jesus says in John 20, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." May we always stay focused on the true message that Christ is Risen.... And respond with great joy and confidence, "He is Risen Indeed!" Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Robert Mayhew, Principal



In Our Prayers This Week

Each week the faculty prays for our students and their families. When we return from Easter break we will be lifting up Ansley M., Ashlyn M., Nolen P., Jake R., Hunter S., Alyssa S., Chance S., Noah W., and Jack Z. Please remember these and others in your prayers. We thank our Lord and Risen Savior for his blessings.

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.

Charger Headlines Continued...

Scholarship Deadlines Fast Approaching

Good Shepherd's scholarship application is available through FACTS. Financial Assistance information can be found HERE. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mayhew.

The deadline to apply for a LESA scholarship is Saturday, April 10. Apply now!

LESA is offering a Virtual Scholarship Application Event on March 29 from 12 – 8 pm to assist families with the LESA Scholarship Application. Contact Mayroon Gorsman at the LESA office.

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documents, and assist with submitting your documents. The ability to share your computer screen is also provided.



Join us at Jellystone Park at Pine Lakes in Pittsfield, IL, Friday June 4th thru Sunday June 6th. This will be a fun weekend with friends and family. Enjoy a relaxing weekend of swimming, games, fishing and more. Activities include a potluck and church service in a beautiful outdoor setting. Visit www. jellystonepinelakes.com for camping and accommodation options. You can reserve your campsite or cabin online or call 877-808-7463. Don't wait, spots will fill up fast! Be sure to mention you are part of the Good Shepherd group. Please email Beth Italiano at bethitaliano@gmail.com after you have made your reservation, to help keep an accurate count of who is going. ** Covid-19 rules and restrictions will be followed at the time of the Campout**

Top Students in 2021 Class

Every year we honor our top four students of the 8th grade graduating class based on their running GPA from 7th and 8th grade. Congratulations to Andrew M., Jacob K., Salutatorian-Emma H., and Valedictorian-Joseph F. God's blessings to all our graduates as you continue your education in high school. We are proud of you.

Charger Bucks-Scrip Gift Cards

Great News! Just in time for your spring planting! Collinsville nursery, **Creekside Gardens** has raised their percentage to **20**%!! Order your cards to take advantage of this great incentive! Use the Raise Right app to shop gift cards right from your phone. Whether you're at home or at the store you can quickly upload them to your phone. See the how-to video on the school's website. You can also choose physical cards and have them sent to the school to be sent home with your student on Fridays. If you



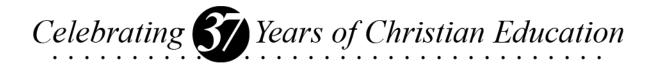
prefer, you can still order them by paper through the school on Mondays with delivery on Fridays with your student. Forms are available in the school office or on the school website. **50% of your credits earned go towards the reduction of your tuition or you may donate your credits toward Good Shepherd Lutheran School's General Fund.**

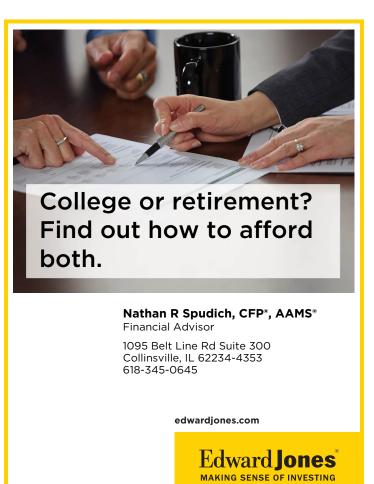
LESA Virtual Auction

Save the date for LESA's fundraising for their Building Blocks Scholarships which directly benefit students at our school. The Cooking for Kids Tribute Dinner Auction will be virtual on Saturday, April 17, 2021 @ 7:00-8:30 pm.

2021-2022 School Calendar

The Good Shepherd calendar for the 2021-2022 school year is attached to this newsletter.





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Good Shepherd Lutheran School Fun Run fundraiser - April 12-23!

Hello Parents,

We're so excited to announce that our school is participating in the Apex Leadership Co program and fundraiser!

The donations raised will help to fund:

- Student Enrichment
- Technology Upgrades

What is the Apex Leadership Co program?

Apex is a 2-week interactive school leadership program that promotes leadership habits, good character and fitness, combined with a fitness focused fundraiser that also helps schools raise funds. Apex's leadership program takes students on an exciting journey as they learn what it takes to be a great leader! This year's lessons are:

- → Mindful
- Integrity
- → Grit
- Hero
- Think Ahead
- → Your Turn

Thank you again for your continued support – we are so excited to begin this wonderful program!

Mr. Mayhew, Principal

NEXT STEPS TO HELPING OUR AMAZING SCHOOL

1. REGISTER

Simply go to www.MyApexEvent.com and login using your child's access code found on the front of their Apex pledge kit.

2. **DONATE**

Make a flat donation or pledge a \$ amount per lap. Students will average between 26-36 laps with a cap of 36.

ALL donations should be made online at www.MyApexEvent.com.

3. SHARE

Share a link to your child's donation page with at least 10 family members and friends via email, text and social media.

Sponsors can donate from anywhere in the world!

4. DAILY LEADERSHIP LESSONS

Students will enjoy watching the daily leadership and character program lessons in class starting April 13.

5. EVENT DAY

April 21 and 22: Get ready to run! We'll host an exciting event for students outside where they will complete up to 36 laps.

IMPORTANT In order to avoid large social gatherings at our school, this will be a closed campus event.

2021-2022

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Aug 18	Classes Begin Grades PS-Gr. 8
Sep 03	No School - School Improvement Day
Sep 06	No School - Labor Day
Oct 08	No School - CID/SID Teacher's Conference
Oct 11	No School - Columbus Day
Oct 28	No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
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Jan 17	No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Feb 21	No School - President's Day
Mar 25	No School - School Improvement Day
Apr 11	No School - Easter Break
Apr 12	No School - Easter Break
Apr 13	No School - Easter Break
Apr 14	No School - Easter Break
Apr 15	No School - Easter Break
Apr 18	No School - Easter Break
May 27	Last Day of School
May 31	Summer Fun Begins
Jul 04	Summer Fun Closed - Observance of July

Quarter 1	Aug 18 - Oct 22	44 days
Quarter 2	Oct 25 - Dec 17	35 days
Quarter 3	Jan 3 - Mar 11	48 days
Quarter 4	Mar 14 - May 27	48 days

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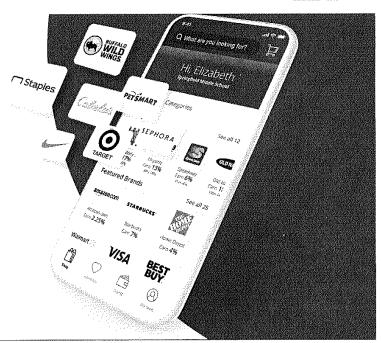
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