

Omaha Christian Academy

News & Notes

February 5, 2010

OCA Families,

We are aware of several very important prayer needs. Please keep the following OCA families in your prayers.

Mitch and Marsha Warnke (son Nick - senior at OCA)

Mitch has a brain tumor which is cancerous. Please pray for strength and endurance for him and his family.

Waldo and Lynette Goossen (daughter, Naomi - junior; son, Jeremy - 8th; son, Elijah - 4th)

Waldo has cancer. He will be admitted to the hospital on Saturday for a week of chemotherapy treatments. The following week the doctors will give him implants of his harvested white blood cells. Please pray that this treatment is successful. Pray for strength for Waldo and his family.

Jason and Denise Evans (son, Jason - 1st grade)

Jason and Denise have a daughter, Cassidy who is 21 months old. Cassidy has stage-4 cancer. She is currently at Children's Hospital. They are from Grand Island and are living temporarily in Omaha due to Cassidy's illness. They expect to here up to 1 year. Please pray for healing and comfort for Cassidy and pray for strength and endurance for Jason and Denise.

Edward and Laurie Push (daughter, Maria - junior; son, Vitaly - sophomore)

Edward and Laurie's grandson, Cameron has a congenital heart defect. He is currently in Children's Hospital. Please pray for healing for his heart, brain and lungs and that he may be able to breathe on his own.

OCA would like to be an encouragement to these families by providing gift cards for food and other items that may be helpful. If you would like to make a monetary donation in support of these families, please send cash or a check made out to OCA to the school office. The gifts will be divided among the families listed unless otherwise specified.

Please note that these donations are not tax deductible.

Enroll Now for the 2010-2011 School Year!
Online at www.sycamoreeducation.com

<i>School Calendar</i>	
Feb. 5	MS G BB @ Prague - 4:45 pm
Feb. 5	V G&B BB @ Prague - 6:15/8:00 pm
Feb. 6	Build Your Own Valentine Candy House - OCA Cafeteria 10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Feb. 8	NFC Speech @ Prague - 1:30 pm
Feb. 8	Jr. Cheer Clinic - 3:15-5:00 pm
Feb. 8	Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
Feb. 9	JV/V G&B B vs Concordia @ Grace U. - 4:00/4:45/6:15/7:30 pm JV Girls will play only 2 quarters This is a home game for Concordia
Feb. 10	Jr. Cheer Clinic - 3:15-5:00 pm
Feb. 11	7th Grade to Family Fun Center - 9:00 am-12:00pm
Feb. 11	Jr. Cheer Clinic - 3:15-5:00 pm
Feb. 11	MS G BB @ Heartland Christian - 6:00 pm
Feb. 12	NO SCHOOL Faculty In-Service
Feb. 12	JV G/V G&B BB vs Mead @ College of St. Marys - TBA NHS Servant Auction Pack the Gym Night Bucks for Baskets Jr. Cheer Performance
Feb. 13	JV/V B BB vs Sterling @ College of St. Marys - 4:00/5:30 pm
Feb. 15	NO SCHOOL - President's Day
Feb. 15	V G BB Sub-Districts @ David City - 6:30 pm
Feb. 17	4th & 5th grade to Holland Performing Arts to hear the Omaha Symphony - 9:00 am
Feb. 18	Enrollment Rally - 6:30 pm

IT'S RED WHEEL TIME!



OCA's annual Red Wheel Fundraiser begins today. Red Wheel offers a variety of yummy selections from pizza and burritos to cookie dough and pies.

You can enjoy them as a snack on a cold night in, or as a quick and easy dinner for your family on a busy night on the go. Proceeds from the sale are used to support OCA's performing arts and athletic programs. In previous years, Booster Club has used Red Wheel proceeds to purchase bleachers for the football field, chairs for the music room and scholarships for OCA seniors.

This year's top salesperson will receive a \$50 Visa gift card. And for every 15 items sold, you will receive one free chocolate chip cookie dough or combo pizza. Parents of preschool-6th grade students should watch their child's backpack for information. Order forms were handed out at last night's basketball game to parents of 7th-12th grade students. If you were not at the game, you will receive an order form in the mail. If you do not receive an order form, or would like extras, you may pick them up in the office. Turn-in day for orders is March 3rd. Thank you for supporting our performing arts and athletics programs by participating in the Red Wheel Fundraiser.



FACULTY / STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

Faculty/Staff Appreciation Week is the first week of March. We will be honoring our faculty & staff throughout the week. A luncheon will be provided for all teachers on Tuesday, March 2nd. If you are able to help cover lunch and/or recess duty for the teachers please feel free to contact me. If you would like to help with the luncheon or have any other questions, please contact Margie Thierstein at 763-9978 or via Pass-a-Note. Watch for more information in the coming weeks!

NHS SERVANT AUCTION

**Please Help NHS
Raise Money for Scholarships
By Purchasing Servants
for 4 hours of service**

The money raised will go towards scholarships for OCA seniors. The auction will take place on Friday, February 12 at College of St. Marys before the girls and boys varsity basketball games. Payments may be made that night or you can be billed. The following students will be auctioned in this order:

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| 1. Parker Adams | 6. Czarina Lim |
| 2. Sean West | 7. Kendra Strasser |
| 3. Nick Jenkins | 8. Nikki Tulsie |
| 4. Kyle Krumwiede | 9. Holly Sly |
| 5. Brendan Byal | 10. Katheryn White |



- The Booster Club would like to thank all OCA fans for supporting our Eagles by wearing navy blue to basketball games. You look awesome! We would also like to congratulate recent winners of the "Fan of the Game" drawings. Walt Hamilton, Kent Wirges, and Brianna Jasso. Keep wearing your navy blue to the games to place your name in the drawing, and YOU could be the next FAN OF THE GAME!

Follow these steps to re-enroll online:

Login to your family account on Sycamore Education.

Click, "My Re-enrollment" - Your Sycamore Education Login and password should be pre-entered on this page.

Click, "Next" when you are ready to begin.

Step 1: Family contacts are listed on this first page. Please confirm the personal information for each contact by clicking on each name. Note the distinction between "legal guardians" (usually parents) and emergency contacts (indicated by the red cross on the left-hand column). At least one emergency contact is required in addition to legal guardians. You may add a contact by clicking "Add Contact" at the bottom of the page. Once you have checked and updated all personal information, click "Next".

Step 2: Your child(ren) is listed on this page. Please check and update personal information by clicking on each name. Please click on the "Medical" column for each student to update that information. When you are finished with this page, click "Next".

Step 3: This page asks for family medical information. Please fill in as completely as possible. Click, "Next" when you are ready to move on.

Step 4: This page allows you the option of requesting that your phone number or address not be published in the Sycamore Education school directory. Click "Next" when you are ready to move on.

Step 5: This is a verification page that gives you the ability to confirm one last time the information you have entered. You may also print out this information. Click "Next" when you are ready to move on.

Congratulations you have completed the re-enrollment process EXCEPT for one last step. Please mail a check for the Registration Fee to OCA (or you may drop it by the school office). A down payment of \$50 per student will confirm your re-enrollment. The balance is due by June 1. Registration fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

WELCOME TO OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2010-2011!

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Excellence in Christ-centered Education

Dear OCA Boys Basketball Team & Parents,

Thank you very much for Carter's baby gift. It is so kind and generous of you all! We appreciate so much your thoughts and prayers the last four weeks, and as Carter continues to grow! In fact, he just reached 5 pounds today (on his 4 week birthday)!!

Love,
Coach Eveland, Kendra & Carter

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

In order to promote global awareness in our families and classrooms, we would like to bring more exchange students for the new academic year 2010-2011. The students will be in the 4th through 8th grade and attend school from August 2010 to May 2011. We are looking for host families who would like to experience an exciting cultural exchange and broaden perspectives on the world. It will be a great educational experience for all the people involved, and it will be a lot of fun! The students, who are carefully selected, come to your home hoping to learn and experience American culture, language and values.

Please call the school office, 399-9565 or KoAm Education Alliance's area coordinator, Mison Cowell, 991-4616 or 301-5257 for more information. You can also learn more about our area coordinators and what they do at KoAm's web-site www.koameduall.org.

School Lunch Menu

	Entree	Sides/Dessert
Feb 8	HOT— Chicken Fingers COLD—Salami Sandwich on a Bagel	Corn Apple Wedges Dinner Roll Chocolate School Fuel
Feb 9	HOT— Chicken Fried Steak COLD—Crispy Chicken Salad Box	Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Orange Wedges Dinner Roll White Chocolate Chip Cookie
Feb 10	HOT— Crispy Tacos COLD—Salami and Cheese with Crackers	Lettuce and Cheese Cup Cheesy Beanies Banana Cinnamon Brownies
Feb 11	HOT— Chicken Noodle Soup and Half Grilled Cheese Sandwich COLD—Taco Salad Box	Baby Carrots Peach Cup Spice Cake
Feb 12	HOT— Hamburger on a Bun with Pickles and Lettuce COLD—Hummus and Veggies with a Bagel	French Fries Warm Cinnamon Apples Banana Cream Pie Bar

Students may choose yogurt & cheese stick as a main dish alternative.

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.60(Pre-K-5); \$2.75 (5-12); \$1.00 Extra Entrees

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Lost & Found

OCA's Lost & Found is overflowing...

Please pick up items that belong to you/your child. All items not picked up by Friday, February 12 will be donated.

It's time for the Booster Club's Annual

Pack the Gym!

Friday, February 12, 2010

College of St. Mary's

OCA Eagles vs Mead Raiders

Fan of the Game

Come dressed in OCA spirit wear or in your navy shirts and you will be placed in a drawing for Fan of the Game.

The Great Shoot-Out

A chosen student from each Middle school and High school class will have a chance to shoot a free throw, a 3 pointer, and a half court shot for prizes for his/her class! The Shoot-out will happen during the Varsity Boys' Halftime.

Horseback Relays

Grab one of your parents for a "horseback ride" down the court - Make a basket and win a prize! This relay will take place during the Lady Eagles' Varsity halftime. For Preschool - 5th grade

Spirit Buttons

Spirit buttons will be for sale for those of you graduating with the Class of 2010 through the Class of 2023!

Cost is \$1.00 per button.

Junior Cheerleaders

Come cheer on our Junior Cheerleaders as they do their new routine for you during the Eagles' Varsity halftime.

Bucks for Baskets

Help us raise \$15,000 for a new minibus. Can OCA earn \$100/point for the Eagles girls' and boys' jr. varsity and varsity games?

More details following in News and Notes.

National Honor Society

Need some help around the house? Need a babysitter? Someone to help wash windows? Come bid on one of our National Honor Society students. The auction will take place before the Girls' and Boys' Varsity Games.

Many more prizes

We will have prizes to be given away all evening. So come join in the fun and cheer on the Lady Eagles and the Eagles to a victory over Mead!

BUCKS FOR BASKETS!



WHEN: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2010

WHERE: COLLEGE OF ST. MARY'S
7000 MERCY ROAD

Help us reach our goal of \$15,000 towards our minibus! All three games of the evening will be counted in for total number of points.

Each donation is per point.

The total points will be capped at 100 points so the following is the most you would donate:

\$.10 point at 100 points = \$10.00
\$.25 point at 100 points = \$25.00
\$.50 point at 100 points = \$50.00
\$1.00 point at 100 points = \$100.00

I will donate _____ per point at the OCA vs Mead basketball games on Friday, February 12, 2010. I understand that this will be capped at 100 points.

Name: _____ Amount paid _____

_____ Cash

Phone Number: _____ Check # _____

We will have a table set up after the game to collect money pledged. If you leave before the game is over, please send in your money to the office on Monday to the attention of Tammy Krumwiede.

Booster Club's 3rd Annual

BUCK\$ FOR BASKETS

This year, we are shooting for **\$15,000** toward a "New" Used Minibus (estimated cost \$40,000)



Old Van

Limited seatbelts
Really, really old
Gazillion miles
Sometimes needs a push
12 Passenger Capacity



Updated Minibus

Seatbelts for all passengers
Less than 5 years old
Fewer miles
Never needs a push
20 Passenger Capacity

We have \$10,000 in matching donations for the first \$5,000 in pledges.
That means **EVERY DOLLAR** you donate actually **EQUALS THREE DOLLARS!!!**

This contest is for the entire student body. During "Pack the Gym" week (February 8-12), we will be taking pledges for each point the OCA JV Girls, Varsity Boys & Girls teams score against Mead up to a maximum of 100 points.
Can you give \$.10 per point? Can you give \$.25 per point? Can you give \$1.00 per point?
How much do YOU think the Student Body can pledge? Can we pledge \$100 per point?
We will take donations until the end of the game on Friday night.

Here's how the pledges work

70 total points scored at \$100/point =
\$7,000

90 total points scored at \$75/point =
\$6,750

Minimum of \$5,000 in pledges =
\$10,000 in matching donations

Maximum points you pay for is 100

If we make our goal...

We will again have an OCA Family Fun Night at **Family Fun Center!**

Join us Friday, March 5, 5:30 - 10:00 for all students for
ALL NEW 3-LEVEL SECRET AGENT LAZER TAG,
18-Hole Blacklight Glow Golf Timewarp,
and Extreme Zone Favorites like **Jumpshot, Spaceball, Rock Wall** and **Kid Zone.**

Let's make our goal and earn that Family Fun Night!

All OCA Students attending the game on Friday, February 12, will receive 10 referee tokens compliments of Family Fun Center to use whenever they want!

So join in the fun! Come cheer on the Eagles to see if we reach our goal! Each basket is two points closer to our Minibus!

Valentine's Day 2010

It's about that time of year again! Send a gift to that special someone to show that you care. If you would like to purchase a gift for a student or staff member, please order it on this form, and it will be delivered on Thursday, February 11. We ask that all the forms be turned in by Monday, February 8.

Valentine's Day Order Form

____Rose.....\$2.50

____Chocolate Rose.....\$1.50

____Monster Cookie.....\$1.25 or 3 for \$3

____Sing-a-Gram.....5.00

Song:

____You Are My Sunshine

____My Girl

____That's Amore

____Do Wah Diddy Diddy

Happy Valentine's Day!!!

To: _____

From: _____

Message: _____



Grandparent's Day

Those of us fortunate enough to have grandparents know the very important role they play in the lives of children. There is truly nothing like that relationship. Grandparents are supposed to spoil the grandkids - that's their job. And these two generations should love each other unconditionally.

To celebrate this special relationship, OCA's Development Office would like to set aside a special day (TBD) to give thanks to grandparents and give them the opportunity to learn more about their grandchild's experience at Omaha Christian Academy.

Please fill out the form below by FEBRUARY 12th if you would like your child's grandparent(s) to receive an invitation to our Grandparent Day Celebration. If you do not fill out the form, your child's grandparent(s) WILL NOT receive an invitation. Contact Kathy Larsen at 614-5716 for more information or email at klarsen@ocamail.org

STUDENT NAME _____ Grade _____

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Grandparent Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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