


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

NEWS & NOTES

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! Every other Sunday night my wife and I meet with a small group from church. We have a great time sharing prayer requests, eating, and doing a Bible study. Our group decided to learn more about the Kings of Israel. In our study for last night, we were looking at the king of Judah named Asa. Asa was a king that did what was right in the sight of God. What astounded me was his prayer when the king of Ethiopia came out against him with one million men and three hundred chariots. This story is recorded in 2 Chronicles fourteen, the prayer is in verse eleven. "And Asa cried out to the Lord his God, and said, 'Lord, it is nothing for You to help, whether with many or with those who have no power; help us, O Lord our God, for we rest on You, and in Your name we go against this multitude. O Lord, You are our God; do not let man prevail against You!'" The next verse states that the Lord defeated the Ethiopians before Asa and Judah. If we are truly in God's will, then the obstacle does not matter. Our prayer should be that man does not prevail against our God. Walk worthy.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

OCA Middle School Science Fair is coming, Jan. 13, 2005. We are in need of people to interview students and judge their projects. More specific guidelines and criteria will be given to judges prior to the date of the science fair. One does not need to be a scientist to judge. Those who are interested in our students qualify.

Times Judges are needed:

7:30-9:30	8:00-10:00	9:00-11:00
9:30-11:30	11:00-1:00	11:30-1:30




Our students are working hard on their science fair projects, and we would like to reward those who do excellent work. In order to do this we are seeking individuals who would be willing to donate money for prizes. A total of \$100 would be appreciated.

Interested person should contact Deb Dommel.



ALL-STATE RECOGNITION

On Sunday, December 5, several OCA  players were honored with All-Nebraska recognition. In football, Scott Nilius made the eight-man-Division 1 offense team as a place-kicker. Dirk Ruyf, Justin Richards, and Brian Push received All-Nebraska Honorable Mention.

In volleyball, Michaela Schroeder received All-Nebraska Honorable Mention.



CHRISTMAS BONUS

During this season of thanksgiving and remembrance, the OCA Board asks for financial contributions to honor our teachers and staff. Our employees sacrifice significantly to work at our school and this is a small token of appreciation for that sacrifice. The amount given will be divided equally among all employees based on their full/part time status.

Please have all your donations to the office by noon on Monday, December 20th. Make your checks payable to OCA and note "Christmas Bonus". Your gifts are tax deductible. May the Lord richly bless you for your sacrifice.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - Monday/Thursday week

Dec 6 - Biology to DeSoto Wildlife - 8:15-3:30

Dec 7 - Christmas Concerts

- K-2nd grades - 6:30 PM

- 3rd-6th grades - 7:30 PM

Dec 8 - Ensemble to Midwest Info - 11:00-1:30

Dec 10 - V BB @ Parkview - 6:15/8:00 PM

Dec 11 - JH B BB @ Scribner Tour.. - TBA

- Employee/Board Christmas Brunch - 9:00

- BB vs Essex - 3:00/4:30/6:00/7:30

NEXT WEEK - Tuesday/Friday week

Dec 13 - Parent Meeting - 7:00 - cafeteria

Dec 14 - V BB @ Cedar Bluffs - 4:30/6:00/7:30

Dec 16-17-HS Christmas Musical - 6:00 PM

Dec 17 - 2nd grade to Mormon Trail Center-1:00-3:00

LOOKING AHEAD



Dec 20-21 - Semester Finals

Dec 21 - Elementary Christmas parties

- End of 2nd quarter

Dec 22 - Jan 2 - Christmas break

Dec 29-30 - V BB @ Mead Tourn. - TBA

Jan 3 - Classes resume

WEEK OF 12/6 THRU 12/10

Dec 6	Cheeseburger Corn Cobette Pears Choc. Chip Cookie	Meat & Cheese Sand. Corn Cobette Pears Choc. Chip Cookie
Dec 7	Quesadillas Baby Carrots Cinn. Applesauce Rooty Tooty Bars	Chef Salad Box Cinn. Applesauce Rooty Tooty Bars
Dec 8	Pizza Hut Lettuce Salad Dried Fruit Medley Sugar Cookie	Cottage Cheese & Fruit Lettuce Salad Sugar Cookie
Dec 9	BBQ Riblet Sand Potato Rounds Fresh Apple Brownie	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Potato Rounds Fresh Apple Brownie
Dec 10	Egg & Cheese Omelet w/Canadian bacon Tri Tator OJ Cinn. Roll	Smart Box Tri Tator OJ Cinn. Roll

WEEK OF 12/13 THRU 12/17

Dec 13	Chicken Patty w/bun Green Beans Pear Sugar Cookie	Crab Salad Sand. Green Beans Pear Sugar Cookie
Dec 14	Baked Rotini w/meat sauce Italian Salad Pineapple Choc cake w/choc frosting Bread Stick	Crispy Chicken Salad Box Pineapple Choc. cake w/choc frosting
Dec 15	Walking Taco Corn Mini Banana Oatmeal butterscotch bar	Salad Box Mini Banana Oatmeal butterscotch bar
Dec 16	Roast Turkey Mashed Pot. w/gravy Cranberry Fluff Snowman Shape-up Hot Roll	NOCOLDLUNCH
Dec 17	Chicken Giggles Potato Smiles Orange Smiles Cookie Smiles	Smart Box Orange Smiles Cookie Smiles

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

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.40 (K-4) **Tickets:** \$24.00 (K-4) 10 Lunches
 \$2.55 (5-12) \$25.50 (5-12) 10 Lunches
 \$1.00 Extra Entrees \$10.00 - 10 Entrees

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



RECYCLING TIME

The Foods classes are in desperate need of your plastic containers . . . whipped topping, margarine, sour cream, etc. Any size is appreciated.

GUIDANCE CORNER

- ☞ Seniors who have a GPA of at least 3.5 are eligible to apply for one of three scholarships available through the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation. Nominations are due January 15. Please contact the guidance office for more information.
- ☞ The Assistance League of Omaha is offering an ACT Review Course at Westside High School. The course consists of two classes. Both classes must be attended to receive full coverage. Class #1 will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 7, from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Class #2 will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. There is a \$30 fee. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.
- ☞ EducationQuest Foundation and the Nebraska ETV Network will be hosting a live call-in show, Countdown To College, on Thursday, December 9, at 7 p.m. During this one-hour program, experts in the areas of college planning, admissions and financial aid experts will answer viewers' questions on the air. You can submit questions now or the evening of the show by calling 800-666-3721 or e-mailing them to countdown@educationquest.org. You'll receive an answer on the air or via e-mail.
- ☞ High school students interested in a career in teacher education may want to participate in the Explorers Program through the College of Saint Mary. The first meeting will take place on Dec. 7 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. For more information and to make your reservation please contact Dr. Melanie Felton at 399-2625.
- ☞ The Conclave is offering three scholarships to three nationally recognized educational institutions. Seniors who are interested in a career in the radio/music industry may be eligible to apply for one of the three scholarships. The deadline is April 1. If interested contact the guidance office.
- ☞ Several scholarship opportunities are available through the Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation. Any interested senior should contact the guidance office.
- **Calendar:**
- Dec. 6 - Senior Class Fundraiser Christmas Party, 7:00 p.m., OCA Cafeteria
- Dec. 20 - SAT Registration Deadline for the Jan. 22 Test
- Dec. 29 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for the Jan. 22 Test
- ☞ **If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.**

ALL-OMAHA AREA FOOTBALL RECOGNITION

On Saturday, December 4, the Omaha World Herald recognized Junior Scott Nilius as making the All-Omaha Area football first-team. Among other things, it was noted that eighty percent of his 50-yard kickoffs went for touchbacks and he was 2 of 2 on field goals.

Justin Richards and Brian Push received All-Omaha Area Honorable Mention.

OFFICE CLOSED

The OCA office will be closed December 22, 23 & 24th. Plan accordingly.

ALL-OMAHA AREA VOLLEYBALL RECOGNITION

On Friday, December 3, the Omaha World Herald honored juniors Laura Johnson, Michaela Schroeder, and Marissa Wells with All-Omaha Area Honorable Mention. Selections were based on observations by World-Herald staff-writers and nominations from coaches in the area.

CONCESSION & GATE WORKERS

Dec 11- BB vs Essex-3:00/4:30/6:00/7:30

Gate Worker - start at 2:15 -White
- start at 5:00 -Arndt

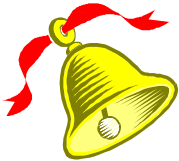
Concession - start at 2:30 -Gingrich
- start at 6:30 - Perkins

ELECTION TIME

The OCA Association shall hold elections for 3 seats on the Board of Directors at its February meeting. Board candidates must be members of the OCA Association (see the office for details on Association membership if you do not already belong). The OCA Board asks that you prayerfully consider serving on the board for a 3 year term from 2005 through 2008. If you are interested, stop by the office and pick up a "Prospective Board Member Questionnaire". The Board also asks current Association members to serve on the Board's Nominating Committee. Please contact Joe Turco via email if possible at joe.turco@optimumdata.com if you have any questions.

PARENT MEETING

There is a meeting for all parents on Monday, December 13 at 7:00 PM in the cafetorium. At this time, the Board will inform all on the most recent developments regarding OCA's home next year. Childcare will be provided by the 8th grade class.



You're invited
to the



SENIOR FUND-RAISER CHRISTMAS PARTY

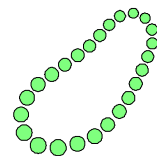
Come help support the seniors with their last fund-raiser!
Monday, December 6th at 7:00 PM
OCA Cafeteria



Featuring a Premier Designs Jewelry
fashion show!!

Refreshments will be served.

Special Christmas Music by John Meyer
& The Senior Class



Questions? Call Mrs. Jenkins at 399-9565 or Mrs. Meyer at 680-5487.

Signs of Christmas



Presented by the Kindergarten, First & Second Grades



Tuesday, December 7, 2004

6:30 pm

- K-2 Students should leave their coats with their parents and report to their classrooms at 6:15pm
- Students should wear their very best clothes for the performance.
- Parents, please try to park in the back parking lot first.
(Parking lot attendants will be available to help direct you)
- At the conclusion of the Program, Parents will pick up their children at the back of the gym, then you can choose to stay for the 3rd - 6th Program or leave through the West Gym doors.

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Klinkenschnell, The Christmas Bell

Presented by the Third - Sixth Grades



With Drama by the Sixth Grade

And a Performance by the Beginning Band

Tuesday, December 7, 2004

7:30pm

- Beginning Band should report to the Band Room at 7:10pm
- Klinkenschnell Cast should report to the Choir Room at 7:10pm
- 3rd - 6th Students should report to their classrooms at 7:15pm
- Students should wear their very best clothes for the performance.
- Parents, please pull up & drop-off your passengers.
(Parking lot attendants will be available to help direct you to a parking place)

