


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

NEWS & NOTES

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

 Blessings! Are you keeping up on the news? I had a friend call last week and reminded me of former parents at OCA who have a ministry in Haiti. If you remember, our elementary school's Christmas project last year was to help supply a orphanage in Haiti with which one of our present parents is involved. That country has been severely damaged by hurricanes. I have a former student at Grace who is from Florida. I have received emails from her about her concern regarding family in that state. This morning I read about 2.5 million people without power in that state. They are assessing the damage done by this hurricane hurling about refuse from the last one. There is much to pray about.

Speaking of prayer, there are three properties that the Board is pursuing with diligence. Starting with this News and Notes, Mr. Elrod, the president of the Board, will be having a short article to keep you all updated with what is happening. Be sure to look for that article.

This is perhaps a reminder to myself, but have you been praying for the election? There is much to be concerned about and in my mind the differences in the candidates are clear. Since there is much to pray about, I offered during the summer to meet in the morning with anyone who desired to pray for the school. I am willing to meet at the Peony Park Hy-Vee at 6:00 on Tuesday mornings with any one who is interested. I would like to gage the interest first, so, if you are interested either give the office a call or email me at tim.koehn@omahachristianacademy.com and let me know. If two or three would like to get together, we will do it.

One other thing. We have an extremely good reputation with Westside Schools due to the type of tenant we have been. All of us need to work on maintaining that reputation by continuing to be excellent stewards of the building the Lord has given us the last seven years through them. We did not refinish the gym floor this year partly because of cost and time. After ball games, would you be mindful of trying to stay off the floor as much as possible with shoes that have been outside that drag in dirt and gravel? The more dirt that gets on the floor, the more the finish gets sanded off and the more slick it becomes for the athletes that play on it. We have a lot of volleyball and basketball to go yet this year, help us to take care of the floor. Walk Worthy.



EAGLES FORTY FIVE HTRS!

Varsity Football Eagles won 54 to 6 against Humboldt Table Rock Snyder on September 17. Eagles lead throughout the whole game and finished up early in the 4th quarter, leading by over forty-five points.

Junior Varsity Eagles lost 35 to 8 to Brownell Talbot on September 20. Sophomore Nick Crawford scored OCA's only touchdown.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - Monday/Thursday week

Sept 27- JH VB vs Waterloo - 4:00/5:00 PM

- C & JV VB @ BT - 5:00/6:00 PM

- JV FB @ Prague - 6:00 PM

Sept 28- 5th-6th grade to Covenant Cedars-7:30-4:00

- JH FB @ Mead - 6:00 PM

Sept 29- 7th grade to World Herald-9:00-11:40 AM

Sept 30- JH VB vs Bellevue Christian - TBA

- C VB @ Lincoln Pius X - 5:00/6:00 PM

Oct 1 - 3rd grade to Lauritzen Gardens - 11:00-3:00

- FB vs Johnson/Brock - 4:00 PM

Oct 2 - VB vs Concordia & NE Luth-10:00 & 12:00

NEXT WEEK - Tuesday/Friday week

Oct 4 - JV FB vs Waterloo/Concordia - 4:00 PM

- Board Meeting - 6:30 PM

Oct 5-8 - Book Fair

Oct 5 - Grandparent's Day

- JH FB @ Parkview - 4:00 PM

- C VB Scrimmage - 4:00

- VB vs Prague - 6:30/7:30 PM

Oct 6 - 2nd grade to Sweeny Farm - 11:00-3:00

Oct 7 - JH VB @ Heartland Christian - 6:00 PM

- C vs JV VB Scrimmage - 4:00

- VB vs Winnebago - 6:00 PM

Oct 8 - FB @ Waterloo/Concordia - 4:00 PM

Oct 9 - Craft Fair

- JV VB @ Mead - 9:00 AM

- JH VB @ Scribner - TBA

LOOKING AHEAD



Oct 18 - NO SCHOOL

Oct 25 - NO SCHOOL

Nov 5 - Elementary Harvest Parties - 2:00 PM

Nov 6 - Skating Party - 5:00-7:00 PM

WEEK OF 9/27 THRU 10/1

Sept 27	Breaded Beef Patty Mashed Pot. w/gravy Caramel Dip 1/2 Apple Hot Roll	Salami & Cheese Sand. Mashed Pot. w/gravy Caramel Dip 1/2 Apple
Sept 28	Grilled Cheese Uncrustable Carrot Sticks Buttered Noodles Cherry glazed bananas Shape up	Salad Box Buttered Noodles Cherry glazed bananas Shape-up
Sept 29	Pizza Hut Lettuce Apricots Oatmeal Cookie	Cheese Sand. Lettuce Apricots Oatmeal Cookie
Sept 30	Mini Corn Dogs Cucumber/Tom. Salad Pineapple chunks Jello w/whipped topping	Stuffed Tom. w/Shrimp Salad Pineapple chunks Jello w/whipped topping
Oct 1	Sloppy Joe French Fries Melon Oatmeal scotties	Salad Box Melon Oatmeal scotties

WEEK OF 10/3 THRU 10/7

Oct 4	Hamburger Baby Carrots Applesauce cups Brownie Dill pickle spear	Salami & Cheese Sand. Baby Carrots Applesauce cups Brownie Dill pickle spear
Oct 5	Chicken Giggles Potato smiles Cookie smiles Bread & butter	Salad box Orange smiles Cookie smiles Bread & butter
Oct 6	Beef & bean enchilada Corn 1/2 banana Churro	Salad box 1/2 banana Churro
Oct 7	Creamed chicken Mashed potatoes 1/2 pear Spice cake	Cot. Ch. & Fruit Mashed potatoes 1/2 pear Spice cake
Oct 8	Scrambled eggs Tri Tator OJ Cereal	Smart box OJ Cereal

***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

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JH BAND OFFICERS

President - Garret Wirges
 Managers - Jacob Richards
 - Jacob Champion
 Secretary/Recorder - Josh Meyer

GUIDANCE CORNER

The Assistance League of Omaha is again offering review classes for the ACT Test. The ACT review includes two, three hour classes. Students need to attend both classes in order to get full coverage. Class #1 is on Monday, Oct. 11, or Tuesday, Oct. 12, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Class #2 is Wednesday, Oct. 13, or Thursday, Oct. 14 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The classes are held at Westside High School. There is a \$30 fee for the course. Registration forms are available in the Guidance Office.

The National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association, in conjunction with the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, is sponsoring National Communication Science and Disorders Career Awareness Day at UNK on October 29 from 9:00 - 12:00 a.m. Students interested in the professions of communication science and disorders would benefit from attending. If interested contact the guidance office before Oct. 15.

The UNL College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources will be hosting an Open House on Saturday, Oct. 29, with registration beginning at 8:15 a.m. For more information or to register visit <http://casnr.unl.edu/future/day.htm>. The registration deadline is Friday, Oct. 1.

High school students interested in the field of medicine would benefit from participating in the Alegent Health Exploring Program. Three different facilities are offering this opportunity. The Explore Program will have its first meeting at Bergan Mercy Medical Center on Monday, Oct. 4, at 7:00 p.m. To reserve a spot call Karen Anderson at 398-6020. The second site is Midlands Hospital. Their first meeting will be on Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 6:45 p.m. Call Laurie McGarvey at 593-3100 to reserve a spot. The third site is Immanuel Medical Center and their first meeting will be on Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 6:45 p.m. Call Cindy Slack at 572-2357. There is a \$15 registration fee for each of the three programs.

- Calendar:**
- October 1 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for the Oct. 23 Test
 - October 1 - SAT Registration Deadline for the Nov. 6 Test
 - October 6 - Hillsdale College Rep Visit
 - October 13 - PSAT Testing for Juniors
 - October 13 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for the Nov. 6 Test
 - October 29 - SAT Registration Deadline for the Dec. 4 Test
 - October 29 - William Jewell College Rep Visit

If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Eric Lee fund raiser! The total raised was more than \$15,000. Praise God for everyone's support and love for the Lee family.
 Julie Sibert

CHAPEL SPEAKERS

Sept 29 MS -JH Drama
 Sept 30 HS - Mr. Mark Dommel
 Elem - TBA
 Oct 6 MS - TBA
 Oct 7 HS - TBA
 Elem - TBA

PERU STATE COLLEGE GRADUATE SEEKS TO SPREAD GOD'S LOVE AND BLESSINGS



A graduate of Peru State College with a major in Elementary Education and a coaching endorsement, Renee Stukenholtz begins her fourth year of teaching elementary students.

She substituted during her first year of teaching. In her second year, Stukenholtz was hired by Nemaha Valley Schools until her son, Bradley, was born. She finally made a decision to apply for a job at OCA and was hired to teach the first grade. Stukenholtz's decision was based on the importance of a quality Christian education and the Christ-centered atmosphere the school provides. Stukenholtz loves the students and enjoys working with the staff and faculty. Meanwhile, she plans to focus on teaching the love of Christ to her first grade students and wants to help them succeed academically as well.

Renee Stukenholtz has been married to Matthew Stukenholtz for eleven years and has two children: Brad, a second grader, and Katie, a kindergartner.

~Arielle Berg, Journalism

CONCESSION & GATE WORKERS

Oct 1 - FB vs Johnson/Brock -4:00 PM

Gate Workers - start at 3:15 PM

East - Arnold

West - Johnson

Concession - start at 3:30

- Strasser

- Steggerda

Oct 4 - JV FB vs Waterloo/Con. -4:00 PM

Gate Workers - start at 3:15 PM

East - Bryce

West - Push

Concession - start at 3:45

- Laughlin

Oct 5 - VB vs Prague - 6:30/7:30 PM

Gate Worker - start at 5:45 PM

- Parsons

Concession - start at 6:15

- Sweeney

Oct 7 - VB vs Winnebago - 6:00 PM

Gate Worker - start at 5:15 PM

- Tulsie

Concession - start at 5:45

- Jasso



VOLLEYBALL TEAMS DISPLAY CONFIDENCE

The JV and Varsity teams competed against the Mead Raiders on Thursday, September 23. The JV team fought close with Mead throughout the first game, losing the game by a mere two points (23-25). The second game was played well also, but the Lady Eagles lost 16-25. Between the matches, the 28 players honored their parents with roses. The 5th and 6th graders had prepared and held up a run-through for the players to make their entrance into the gym.

The Varsity match against Mead was also intense. The girls fixed their errors from the first game (8-25) to come back with confidence in the second and third games (18-25, 21-25). The team combined to make 7 blocks and 11 kills. Laura Johnson led the team with 18 defensive digs, and Bethany Begg led with 13 good serve receive passes. Lady Eagle teamwork was evident in both matches against Mead.



PIANO TEACHER NEEDED

Mr. Nilius is seeking one or two piano teachers to give lessons here at OCA. These teachers would work during the day with our students. If you are interested or know of a Christian piano teacher looking for work, give Mr. Nilius a call at school.



EXCELLENT EAGLE EFFORT AT CEDAR BLUFFS TOURNAMENT!

The Lady Eagles played in the Cedar Bluffs tournament against Cedar Bluffs Wildcats and Prague. They played hard together, but were unable to take any victories away with them.

The first game against Cedar Bluffs was very close. The Eagles fought hard to tie with a score of 21-21 due to improved team passing, Bethany Begg's 13 consecutive serves, and 3 blocks by Marissa Wells. Another highlight was the 4 kills by Lauren Phillips and Marissa Wells each. The Wildcats pulled ahead for a victory of 22-25, and also won the second game to win the match.

In the second match, the Lady Eagles fell to Prague with a score of 13-25 and 16-25. Even though the Eagles didn't win that match, they are looking forward to playing them again later in the season. For the day, some other highlights were the leaders in digs as follows: Bethany Begg with 15, Michaela Schroeder with 13, and Laura Johnson with 12.

FOOTBALL CONCESSIONS & MENU

Hot off the grill:

Hamburgers

Hotdogs

Polish Dogs

(with all the fixin's)

Nachos

Popcorn

Pickles

Coke Drinks/Powerade/Water

Candy



Parents! No need to plan a meal for Friday. The food and entertainment's right here on the OCA Football field! Plan to stay for the 4 pm game and enjoy the outdoors, family entertainment, refreshments, and cheer on your OCA Eagles!

HOUSEKEEPING II



"What is Housekeeping", you ask? That's a good question. Well, it's not a motel cleaning service.

It's a Bible study for high school students and even college students. We meet every Saturday night at 7:00 PM at the home of John & Stella (and Andrew, Alex, and Josh) Meyer, 17012 Sahler St., which is way out west off 168th & Maple. We are studying the Sermon on the Mount, and we always eat and spend time singing. You are welcome to bring friends. If you have any questions, see me or call 650-8903. Hope to see you there.

Mr. John Meyer

NOTES FROM THE BOARD



Many of you attended the Association Meeting on September 14 and were involved in the discussion about a new, permanent facility for OCA. As Board president, I want to keep you informed about the progress being made since we "took the bull by the horns" and began an independent search. Substantial progress has been made in the last two weeks as the board has aggressively narrowed down our land search. The board has been meeting weekly, and this past Saturday morning we were able to narrow our search to three different properties. Each presents a unique situation and is dependent upon specific circumstances to develop. One property sits off of I-80 near Hwy 370, another is north 72nd street near I-680, and the last is off of 108th and Hwy 36. Please continue to pray for God to open the necessary doors and work in the hearts of men on behalf of OCA. At the last association meeting we explained that the economics of our situation have directed us to purchasing land and building an anchor building that includes some class rooms, a gymnasium/cafeteria, and administrative offices. All other classrooms will either be temporary modular or portable, similar to how public schools house students when they exceed capacity. Returning board member Steve White and our Treasurer, Ed Schroeder are working on a loan proposal to present to two different banks and with God's intervention we should be able to make a decision shortly.

Cameron Elrod, Board President