

# NEWS & NOTES

OCTOBER 11, 2004

ISSUE 9

## ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Blessings! First of all I would like to thank all the grandparents that came to the school last Tuesday to make that day such a success. It is always a lot of fun to see the grandparents interacting with their grandchildren, and of course the students love to have their grandparents here. It is too bad that all students can not enjoy that time due to the distance that the grandparents live away from the school. I would also like to thank Mrs. Randall and all those parents who put in extra time to make the Book Fair a success. I am a firm believer that helping students to read (and sometimes that means getting a good book in their hands) helps them to become better students. Purchasing good reading material for students and helping to build the classroom libraries is money that is well spent. There are probably teachers who did not receive all the books on their wish list. Please check with your child's teacher to see if you can still help out by purchasing a book for the class.

Finally, we are coming to the end of the first quarter of the school year. It is amazing to me as I look at the academic concern notices that are sent out each week, how many students are receiving those only because of work not completed. If this is the case in your home, help your child to get caught up by asking about his/her work and then helping finish what needs to be done. If that is not the case in your home, than just a gentle reminder to finish the quarter well might be appropriate. Walk worthy.

## OCTOBER 11-15 SPIRIT WEEK

In celebration of homecoming, **Spirit Week is this week!** Student Council encourages all students to participate in the following "themes" for the day.

- Monday, Oct. 11 - Nerd/farmer day
- Tuesday, Oct. 12 - Blast from the past
- Wednesday, Oct. 13 - Side-kick day
- Thursday, Oct. 14 - PJ/Crazy hair/food in class day
- Friday, Oct. 15 - Blue & Gold Day

## REMINDER

**No School next Monday!  
Teacher Work and Inservice Day**

### STUDENT HEALTH NEEDS

Booklets have been made and passed out to the teachers. Thank you parents for handing in the Health Update form.

## CALENDAR



### THIS WEEK - Monday/Thursday week

- Oct 11-15 - Spirit Week
- Oct 11 - JV FB @ Cedar Bluffs - 6:00 PM
  - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Oct 12 - JH FB vs Waterloo - 4:00 PM
  - C Team Scrimmage - 4:00 PM
  - VB vs Omaha Nation - 6:15/7:15 PM
  - Parent Connection - 7:00 PM
- Oct 13 - Spanish IV to El Musco Latino-1:20-3:00
- Oct 14 - Booster Club Meeting - 8:00
  - VB @ CVA - 6:30/7:30 PM
- Oct 13 - 4th grade to Gifford Farms - 11:45-3:00
- Oct 15 - End of 1st Quarter
  - FB vs FC Sacred Heart- 4:00 PM
  - Homecoming
- Oct 16 - HS Cheerleading Workshop - 9:00 AM

### NEXT WEEK - Tuesday/Friday week

- Oct 18 - NO SCHOOL
  - HS Cheerleading Workshop - 10:30 AM
  - JH VB vs BT - 4:00/5:00 PM
  - JV VB @ Waterloo - 5:00 PM
  - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Oct 19 - JH FB vs BT - 4:00 PM
  - Cheerleading Tryouts - 4:00 PM
  - NFC VB Tournament @ Parkview - 7:00
- Oct 20 - Cosmic Bowling - 9-12th qualifiers
- Oct 21 - NFC VB Tournament @ Parkview - 7:00
- Oct 22 - Preschool to Wenn. Farm - 9:30-2:30
  - K to Bellevue Berry Farm - 12:20-3:00
  - FB @ BT - 4:00 PM

### LOOKING AHEAD



- Oct 25 - NO SCHOOL - Parent/Teacher Conf.
- Nov 5 - Elementary Harvest Parties - 2:00 PM
- Nov 6 - Skating Party - 5:00-7:00 PM

**WEEK OF 10/10 THRU 1014**

Oct 11	Mini Corn dogs Fresh Veggies w/ranch Mixed Fruit Rice Krispy Bar	Chicken Salad Plate Fresh Veggies w/ranch Mixed Fruit Rice Krispy Bar
Oct 12	Vegetable lasagna roll-up Garlic bun Marinara Sauce Grapes Jello Cake	Salad box w/shrimp Garlic bun Marinara Sauce Grapes Jello Cake
Oct 13	Pizza Hut pizza Lettuce Salad Dried Fruit Medley Snickerdoodle	Salad Box Dried Fruit Medley Snickerdoodle
Oct 14	Tater Tot Casserole Green beans Kiwi Ice Cream Cup Hot Roll	Ham & Cheese Sand. Green beans Kiwi Ice Cream Cup
Oct 15	Walking Taco Salsa Corn Mixed berries Choc. chip cookie bar	NO COLD LUNCH

**WEEK OF 10/18 THRU 10/22**

Oct 18	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Work Day	
Oct 19	Smart Sub Baby Carrots Mini Banana Rice Crispy Bar	NO COLD LUNCH
Oct 20	Salisbury Steak Mashed Pot. & gravy 1/2 Orange Elf grahams Bread & spread	NO COLD LUNCH
Oct 21	BBQ Pork Sand. Cole Slaw Pears Lay's Munchies Snack Mix	NO COLD LUNCH
Oct 22	Italian dunkers Lettuce Salad Peaches Frosted grahams	NO COLD LUNCH

**\*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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**LOST & FOUND**



Is your child missing shoes, jeans, bags or the kitchen sink? If so, we have it in lost & found. Many of the items come from the locker rooms (middle school). There is a small finder's fee to reclaim the items. Student & parents, come check it out!

**BOOSTER CLUB**

The Booster Club Meeting for October has been changed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – October 14<sup>th</sup> at 8 am. We will meet in the Before/After School Care Room. This meeting is open to all High School parents with students in the Athletic or Performing Arts Programs at OCA. We're always looking for new ideas and suggestions! Plan to come.



**PARENT CONNECTION**

Due to a conflict with the Board meeting, the Parent Connection meeting will be Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the library. More parent representatives are needed in every grade. If you have time, please attend this informative meeting.

**LIMO LUNCH and COSMIC BOWLING**

The Cosmic Bowling Lunch is October 20<sup>th</sup> and the Limo Lunch is date is October 27<sup>th</sup>! The students who qualified from magazine sales will get a permission slip the Friday before the event. The permission slip will need to be returned by the morning of the event, preferably earlier! Thank you for your patience. Mrs. Zimmerle

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that there is a "Did You Know" booklet available for your convenience? It is a quick reference for all kinds of information such as the lunch schedules, bell schedule, and the high school sports schedules. This book is highly recommended for all new families. If you didn't get one at the Parent Orientation, please stop by the office and pick one up!

**FOOTBALL CONCESSIONS & MENU**

*Hot off the grill:*

**Hamburgers**

**Hotdogs**

**Polish Dogs**

*(with all the fixin's)*

**Nachos**

**Popcorn**

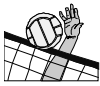
**Pickles**



**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!



## VICTORIOUS HOME GAMES

The Varsity and JV Lady Eagles played Winnebago on Thursday night, and came through victorious. The JV team won 25-7, 25-6. Jackie Johnson led the team with 11 ace serves, and Kristin Lewis had 6.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders provided both a run-through for the team and cheers to excite the crowd. The Varsity team pulled together with team unity to win the first game 9-25. The second game was a closer 26-24 victory, and the Lady Eagles sealed the match 25-17 in the fourth game. Chantelle Steggerda had a career-high 7 ace serves. The following players also served ace serves: Tabitha Hamilton, 5; Lauren Phillips, 4; and Kayla Arnold, 3. Marissa Wells had 5 kill blocks again, which matches her 5 kill blocks on Tuesday against Prague. Kayla Arnold had 10 set assists. Michaela Schroeder led the team with 5 kill attacks, and Bethany Begg with 10 defensive digs.

Be sure to catch the Homecoming action on Tuesday night versus Omaha Nation! Be there early—candy is thrown at the fans present when the girls are announced!



## CUB SCOUT CORNER

Our Sept. pack meeting was a chance to reward some hard-working scouts and scouters! The following scouts were awarded their Bobcat badges: Paul Barnes, Aaron Hutcherson, and Brad Stukenholtz. Timothy Drowne was awarded his Wolf badge. Jon Hempel received two Webelos pins for Citizenship and Aquanaut.

Matt Stukenholtz, our Wolf den leader, was recognized for one year of service. Being recognized for two years of service as den leaders were Steve Hempel and Bob Richardson.

Our pack was recognized at the monthly Roundtable of the Soaring Eagle District on October 7 as having been awarded that National Summertime Pack Award. Drew Sorensen, Andrew Richardson, and Jon Hempel were awarded National Summertime Award pins. They attended all three pack activities we had this past summer.

During the month of October, the dens are involved in lots of activities, from camping and hiking, to attending the symphony! Our October pack meeting has been rescheduled for October 23, as a harvest party. The popcorn sale kicks off this month. If you are interested in buying some delicious Trails End popcorn, contact one of our scouts.

## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, October 25 from 12:00 to 8:00 pm. Parents are required to attend these conferences. Report cards will be given out.

**Kdgn – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Please call the school office to schedule a 15 minute conference with your child's teacher.

**6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:** These conferences will be in the gym on a first come basis.

## KINDERGARTEN FALL FAMILY PICNIC

**October 16, 2004**

**4:00-6:00 PM**



**Roberts Park (right across the street from OCA)**

## CONCESSION & GATE WORKERS

**Oct 12- VB vs Omaha Nation - 6:00 PM**

**Gate Worker** - start at 5:30 PM - Ruyf

**Concession** - start at 6:00 - Graves

**Oct 15- FB vs FC Sacred Heart. -4:00 PM**

**Gate Workers**- start at 3:15 PM

**East** - Zimmerle **West** - Bebee, Phillips

**Concession** - start at 3:30

- Henkenius, Kuhns

## CD PLAYER NEEDED

A stereo CD player is needed for volleyball game music and occasional chapel use. Any newer CD player with RCA or 1/8" output jacks would work fine.

## LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Eagles played the Prague Panthers Tuesday night, and won the first game with a score of 25-19. The Panthers sealed the next three games but not without a fight. The last scores were 15-25, 16-25, and 19-25.

The Eagles worked hard and had several great plays. Michaela Schroeder led the team with 24 excellent serve-receive passes, and Bethany Begg scooped up 20 digs for a new school record! Marissa Wells stopped the Panthers with 5 kill blocks. Shayla Patterson slammed 9 kill attacks, and Michaela Schroeder was close behind with 8. Laura Johnson led with 3 aces and a total of 13 set assists.

The Lady Eagles improved their play against the Panthers from earlier this season, and hope to face them again in the Conference Tournament next week. Good luck Eagles!

## 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.

Seniors would benefit from visiting the EducationQuest website. At the site it will match you up with Nebraska scholarships. Visit ScholarshipQuest at [www.educationquest.org](http://www.educationquest.org).

Students interested in the career field of nursing would benefit from attending "All About Nursing: An Enrichment Expo and Recruitment Fair", which is being sponsored by The Nebraska Center For Nursing and KM3 News. The event will bring together industry leaders from all areas of nursing, including practicing nurses, employers, colleges and prospective nursing candidates. The event will be held at the Holiday Inn Central (72nd & Grover) on October 26, from 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Seniors and Juniors would benefit from visiting the website AnyCollege.Net. You will be able to search for over 5,500 accredited higher education institutions. To find colleges that closely match your interests and needs, you may search by academic program, college type, or sport. You will also be able to read about featured colleges, request information and apply online. In addition, you can also apply for one of four \$1,000 scholarships, which are randomly selected. To apply for the scholarship go to <https://www.anycollege.net/scholarship.cfm>.

Swanson Russell Associates will be sponsoring the Gus Swanson Memorial Communications Scholarship to a senior who is planning to enroll in a Nebraska college or university and pursue a degree in one of the following fields: Advertising, Marketing, Mass Communications, Communication Studies, Public Relations, Journalism, and Graphic Design/Desktop Publishing. It is a \$500 scholarship. If interested in applying you can download at application at [www.sramarketing.com](http://www.sramarketing.com). Deadline is March 11, 2005.

Juniors who have a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA for the 9th and 10th grades who are multi-talented, take the lead, have experienced a significant obstacle(s) and who are giving back to their communities are eligible to apply for the Discover Card Tribute Award Scholarship Program. They will be providing up to nine \$25,000 national scholarships and up to nine \$2,500 scholarships in each state. Deadline is January 7, 2005. If interested, contact the guidance office for more information.

Iowa Western Community College will be hosting a College Visit Day on Friday, Nov. 12, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Registration forms are available in the guidance office. Registration deadline is Monday, Nov. 1.

Seniors and their parents should be wary of scholarship scam letters. You should never have to pay for scholarship or financial aid services. Free scholarship resources are available at [www.educationquest.org](http://www.educationquest.org), [www.fastaid.com](http://www.fastaid.com), and [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com).

Students can use EducationQuest's online College Funding Estimator at [www.educationquest.org](http://www.educationquest.org) to estimate FAFSA results.

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Seniors interested in attending Buena Vista University should contact the guidance office for scholarship opportunities.

Students interested in attending Midland Lutheran College and pursuing teacher education may want to participate in Midland's Teacher Education Day. It will take place on Friday, Oct. 22, from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. R.S.V.P. at [www.mlc.edu/admissions/educationvisit.asp](http://www.mlc.edu/admissions/educationvisit.asp) or call 941-6501.

### Calendar:

- Oct. 13 - PSAT Testing for Juniors
- Oct. 13 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for the Nov. 6 Test
- Oct. 15 - UNK Rep Visit
- Oct. 21 - Metro College Rep Visit
- Oct. 29 - SAT Registration Deadline for the Dec. 4 Test
- Oct. 29 - William Jewell College Rep Visit
- Nov. 5 - ACT Registration Deadline for the Dec. 11 Test
- Nov. 10 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for the Dec. 4 Test
- Nov. 11 - Ed.Quest Fin.Aid & College Planning Night, 7:00 p.m.
- Nov. 18 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for the Dec. 11 Test

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



## SATURDAY JV TOURNAMENT

The JV team took on Waterloo in the first match of the Mead tournament. They lost the match 11-25 and 14-25; so they were scheduled to play Cedar Bluffs in the consolation game. In the first game against the Panthers, the Lady Eagles maintained the lead of the game until it was tied at 18-18. Despite 3 more points scored for the Lady Eagles, Cedar Bluffs won 21-25. In the second game, the Lady Eagles made an amazing come back. They were down 0-8, and they caught up to the Panthers to tie the game at 9-9. The scores remained close throughout the game. Laura Henkenius' kill attack tied the game at 23-23. Later for the game point, Pam Zimmerle served an ace serve to win the game. Despite excellent passing and great teamwork, the Panthers sealed a 9-15 win in the third game.

In both matches, Laura Henkenius led the team with 8 kill attacks. Other leaders in kill attacks were as follows: Liz Putman (7) and Pam Zimmerle (3). Laura Henkenius and Pam Zimmerle each had 5 ace serves in the tournament, and Stephanie Thompson had 4.



## LIBRARY BOOK FAIR A SUCCESS

I want to thank everyone who helped with the Book Fair as well as all who purchased items. Specific details will be in N&N next week. A special "thanks" to these who helped Friday afternoon's clean-up to go so quickly. (I think we set a "Book Fair clean-up record") Mr. Jim Larrick, Mrs. Jean Larrick, Mr. Russell Gingrich & girls, Mrs. Barb Saiz and Miss Kroeker. Mrs. Randall

## LETTER JACKETS

OCA Letter jackets are available to high school students. There are two different styles on display in the school office. The company we have chosen to use is Hauff Sports at 12th & Capital. By purchasing them from one company, all the jackets will be uniform in color and lettering.

A letter jacket would be an ideal birthday or Christmas present. Delivery is approximately 6 weeks after the order is placed so plan ahead. More information and order forms are available in the school office.



## INTERESTED IN CHEERLEADING?

There is a **short** "interest" meeting today at 3:50 sharp!

Two cheerleading workshops will be held to prepare for tryout. They are Saturday, October 16th at 9:00 AM and Monday, October 18th at 10:30 AM. Tryouts will be Tuesday, October 19th at 4:00 PM. Questions? See Mrs. Lewis.