


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

NEWS & NOTES

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! We had a good time last Thursday evening with Dr. Tom Osborne. At the end of his remarks he made some statements that have stayed with me over the weekend that I would like to share with you. He was talking about the need for balance in a young person's life in the areas of physical, mental, and spiritual development. He shared that he had worked with some of the most talented young people in the country. These young men would be physically talented enough to leave the University and make a lot of money playing professional football. They had a degree, so they were not slothful or ignorant. Dr. Osborne commented that he would see these young men seven or eight years later and they were not happy or content. Dr. Osborne believed that it was because of the lack of balance, there was a lack of spiritual development. It was then that he decided to take the time to pray during practice, and to make sure that he hired coaches that could help the young men under their charge to build up the spiritual aspect in their lives. I was grateful for Dr. Osborne's comments. There were several in the audience that had no previous contact with OCA. They heard from Dr. Osborne the importance of having a spiritual dimension in a young person's life. They heard from us how building Christian character from a Biblical worldview is most important to us. Of course, you know all that. It is why your children are enrolled at Omaha Christian Academy.

REGISTER NOW



Registration for classes next fall is in full swing. If you have not registered your student(s) for the 2006-2007 school year, please register now. **Registration is on a first come basis and classes are filling up. Don't Delay!**

If you are responsible for the enrollment of a new family to OCA, you will receive a \$100 credit to your account after the new student(s) completes their first semester at OCA.

Thank You!

We want to thank the following businesses for their donations to the Spring 2006 OCA Garage Sale "Good Eats Café"!!!

Bag N' Save - 50th & Grover

Baker's - Deerfield Plaza in Millard

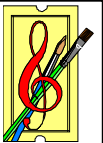
Pepsi-Cola - corporate office

Hy-Vee - 35th & "L" Street

No Frills Supermarket - corporate office

The "Good Eats Café" concession booth brought in over \$600.00 profit as a result of the donations of these businesses. As you have opportunity while shopping at these area businesses, thank the management for their generous support to our concession booth for this year's annual garage sale.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - B Week

- Ap 24 - G Soc vs So. Sioux - 5:00 PM
- B Soc @ Brownell Talbot - 4:30 PM
- Ap 25 - Track @ Fort Calhoun - 3:00 PM
- Elem/MS Spring Concert - 7:00
- Ap 26 - Seniors to zoo - 8:00 AM-3:20 PM
- Ap 27 - G Soc @ Auburn - 5:30
- Ap 28 - Trinity Spring Festival
- Jr/Sr Banquet - 5:00
- Ap 29 - Track @ Utica Centennial

NEXT WEEK - A Week

- May 1 - 1st grade to zoo - 9:15 AM - 3:00 PM
- May 2 - Kdg. to Retirement Center/Firestation - 8:30
- Spanish 3/4 to El Alamo - 11:35-1:35
- HS Performing Arts Concert - 7:00 PM
- May 3 - Spanish 2 to El Alamo - 11:35-1:35
- May 4 - B Soc @ NE Lutheran - 5:00 PM
- May 5 - Track @ NE City

LOOKING AHEAD



- May 11-12 - Melodrama - 6:00 PM
- May 12-Track & Field Day - 1:00 PM
- May 16-Sports Awards - 7:00 PM
- May 18-Kindergarten Graduation - 7:00 PM
- May 19-Last Day of School - Elem & Seniors
-HS Awards - 7:00 PM
- May 21- HS Graduation
- May 23-Last Day of School - Middle School
-MS Awards - 7:00 PM
- May 25-Last Day of School - High School

WEEK OF 4/24 THRU 4/28

April 24	Corn Dog Veggies Grapes Pudding Cup	Turkey, Ham, & Che Sand. Veggies Grapes Pudding Cup
April 25	Enchilada Casserole Corn Kiwi Snickerdoodle Cookie	Salad Box w/ Meat & Che Kiwi Snickerdoodle Cookie
April 26	Spaghetti w/ meatballs Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Choc. Chip Muffin Sq.	Ham Salad Sandwich Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Choc. Chip Muffin Sq.
April 27	Philly Steak Sandwich Potato Wedges Strawberries Shortcake w/ Wh Cream	Tuna Salad Sandwich Potato Wedges Strawberries Shortcake w/ Wh Cream
April 28	Rib-a-que Sandwich Green Beans Banana Brownie	Salad Box w/ Tuna Banana Brownie

WEEK OF 5/1 THRU 5/5

May 1	Hamburger French Fries Apple Pudding Cup	Jelly Sand. & Cot. Cheese French Fries Apple Pudding Cup
May 2	Crispito w/ Cheese Corn Kiwi Cinn. Crumb Cake	Chicken Salad Sand. Corn Kiwi Cinn. Crumb Cake
May 3	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Cherries Choc. Chip Cookie	Salad Box w/ Chic. Salad Cherries Choc. Chip Cookie
May 4	Scrambled Egg w/ Ham Tri-Tator Apple Slices w/ straw. Cinn. Roll	Turkey & Cheese Roll-Up Tri-Tator Apple Slices w/ straw. Cinn. Roll
May 5	Taco Bowl Refried Beans Banana Sugar Cookie	Cottage Cheese w/ Fruit Refried Beans Banana Sugar Cookie

***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.

GUIDANCE CORNER

- ☞ Brown Univ., Columbia Univ., Cornell Univ., Rice Univ., & the Univ. of Chicago are hosting a special program on Tues., May 9, at 7:30 p.m. It will be held at the Doubletree. Students & their families will receive an introduction to the institutions & a discussion of the admission & fin. aid processes.
- ☞ Southeast Community College will be hosting an Open House at their Milford Campus on Sun., May 7, from 11- 4 pm. For more info: www.southeast.edu/milfordopenhouse.htm.
- ☞ UNK will be hosting their 3rd Annual Junior Day on Friday, April 28. Registrations can be made online at www.unk.edu. Reservations will be accepted through April 24 at 5:00 pm.
- ☞ EducationQuest Foundation & the Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling will be sponsoring the 4th Annual Omaha College Affaire on Mon., May 1, from 6:00- 8:00 p.m. It will be held at the Millard North HS Gym.
- **Calendar:**
- April 24 - Trinity Christian College Rep Visit
- April 28 - SAT Registration Deadline for June 3 Test
- May 2 - Hillsdale College Rep Visit
- May 4 - AP Exam, 8:00 am
- May 4 - ACT Registration Deadline for June 9 Test
- May 10 - Late SAT Reg. Deadline for June 3 Test
- May 18 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for June 9 Test
- ☞ **If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.**

SCHOLARSHIPS

The OCA Booster Club will be awarding four \$300.00 scholarships to four graduating seniors; two boys and two girls. For information about requirements and an application, please see Mrs. Jenkins. Completed applications must be turned in to Mrs. Jenkins by May 8th.

OMAHA COLLEGEAFFAIRE


EducationQuest Foundation and the Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling will be sponsoring the fourth annual Omaha College Affaire on Monday, May 1, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. It will take place at the Millard North High School Gymnasium. Over 100 colleges and universities are expected. Two financial aid sessions will be given at 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm. This is a great opportunity for juniors, sophomores and their parents to research colleges.



K-8 YOUTH SPORTS BASEBALL/ SOFTBALL SIGN-UPS!

Registration fees are due on April 25th! The cost is \$49.00 per child. If you are interested, SIGN UP soon! If there are not enough OCA students to make a team, your child can still play on a Y team! If you need a form, one can be obtained on the school's website; click "Youth Sports". Also, you can pick up a form in the school office. If you have questions please call Terri Zimmerle at 493-2850 or email her at tzimmerle@aol.com.

TUITION AID FOR 2006-2007

 Tuition Assistance applications are available in the office for pastoral families & families who qualify for assistance. All applications need to be returned to the office by May 31.



JUMPROPE FOR HEART

This week our school is holding a Jump Rope For Heart Event in honor of OCA's Athletic Director Mr. Thompson. Students will jump rope during their regular scheduled PE classes to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Jump Rope For Heart is a fun event! Our students will learn jump-rope skills while raising money to fund lifesaving research and educational programs. Our school also earns gift certificates for physical education equipment.

Please turn in your envelopes with sponsor donations to the office by **Friday, April 28**. Participants will receive their thank you gifts before the end of the school year.

FOREIGN STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

OCA is interested in participating in a foreign students exchange program for the 2006-2007 academic year in grades 4-8. Several of our families are looking into this opportunity. Perhaps you have given some thought to this as well.

What's it like to host an exchange student? Hosting an exchange student means that you have added a wonderful new member to your family, much like having an adopted son or daughter from overseas for a year. KoAm students are eager to participate in your family's leisure activities; he or she wants to learn about our country by living as a "native" rather than as a guest. As your student goes through the day-to-day activities of your family and community, you will find a new way of looking at those things you often considered commonplace. Tuition and all expenses are fully paid by the Korean parents.

If you would like more information about this program, Please stop by the office to pick up the brochure and talk to Karen Gingerich or call Mrs. Mison Cowell, the local coordinator for KoAm Education Alliance at 991-4616(h) or 301-5257 (cell).

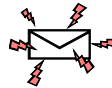
BOOSTER CLUB SEEKS LEADER

The term limits have hit the Booster Club and the current President cannot be re-elected. If you have leadership skills and would like to use them to benefit the sports & performing arts departments here at OCA, this is YOUR opportunity! The term is for one year with a limit of serving two terms. This position is open to a man or woman and the other positions are filled with highly capable, self starting, motivated people. Please call if you have questions or want to volunteer! Becky White at 397-3523.



TRP ORDER DATES

TRP orders will be placed on May 8th. Please have your order and money to the office no later than NOON on TRP turn-in days. The most current order form number is #32 found in the lower left hand corner of the order form.



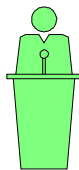
EMAIL LIST

If you would like to be on the OCA email list, please contact the school with your current email address. School closings, News & Notes and special bulletins are sent to you in a timely fashion for your convenience.



JUNIOR/SENIOR BANQUET

Photography by Jeffrey Bebee will be available the evening of the Junior/Senior Banquet on April 28, 2006. There are three photo packages available. Forms have been given to the juniors and seniors. Checks are payable to Jeffrey Bebee Photographer. Give the check and form to Rachel Bebee or bring it the evening of the banquet. Pictures will be delivered to OCA two or three weeks after the banquet.



SPEECH MEET RESULTS!

The 7th & 8th graders participated in the SMART meet with admirable results! We want to thank Mrs. Rozema's Drama II class for helping the 8th graders with their speeches. Praise be to God for the talent He has gifted these students with, and for their attitude to glorify Him. Below are the ratings the students received in the specific categories.

—Mrs. Friesen

Original Devotional Speaking

The Che *Excellent*

Original Persuasive Speaking

Luke Henkenius *Superior-Medallion*

Rachael Kustka *Excellent*

Kendra Strasser *Excellent*

Matt Viltner *Excellent*

Visualized Children's Bible Lesson

Nikki Tulsie *Superior-Medallion*

Brooke Folkers *Superior*

Tori Sorensen *Excellent*

Informative Speaking

Zach Lahm *Superior-Medallion*

Nick Jenkins *Excellent*

Skyler Koehn *Excellent*

Oral Interpretation—Prose

Sean West *Superior-Medallion*

Oral Interpretation—Poetry

Stephen Jay *Superior-Medallion*

Marissa Lindsey *Superior*

Dramatic Interpretation

Janelle Ostry *Superior-Medallion*

Shannon Neal *Superior*

Humorous Interpretation

Josh Buckingham-Weibel *Superior-Medallion*

Brendan Byal *Superior*

Alexandria Hutcherson *Good*

Marcus McLean *Good*

Ensemble Oral Interpretation of Drama

Nathaniel Jones, Josh Bebee,
Carson Wirges, Nathan Castro,
and Kyle Krumwiede *Excellent*

Duet Acting

Peter Drake & Jacob Richards *Superior-Medallion*

Emily Lovgren & Katy Schulz *Excellent*

Anna Wyatt & Kathryn White *Good*

Joe Hawk & Casey Vohnout *Good*



MATH - SMART MEET RESULTS!

Thirty students from OCA represented their school at the math competition part of the SMART Meet on April 19th. Those placing in the math competition were:

4th Grade

Reasoning - Amanda Krehbiel *2nd*

Zach Lee *3rd*

Computation - Clay Hamilton *3rd*

6th Grade

Reasoning - Cody Pearson *3rd*

Computation - Sarah Reinholtz *1st-Medallion*

7th Grade

Reasoning - Brendan Byal *3rd*

7th Grade

Computation - Mike Perry *Tie: 3rd*

Josh Buckingham Wiebel *Tie: 3rd*

8th Grade

Reasoning - Stephen Jay *1st*

Luke Henkenius *2nd*

Ben Deaver *3rd*

8th Grade

Computation - Sean West *3rd*

TOP READERS

The top two readers from grades 5th-8th get to go out to lunch with Mr. Koehn on Tuesday, April 25th. Way To Go!



5th Grade: Jonathan Hempel, Landon Folkers

6th Grade: Cody Pearson, Meredith Roberts

7th Grade: Marcus McLean, Nikki Tulsie

8th Grade: Max Lewis, Janelle Ostry



CONGRATULATIONS QUIZ BOWL

Congratulations to the OCA Quiz Bowl Team. Two 4-person teams traveled to Firth, NE on Saturday, where our teams brought home the first place trophy in the 9th & 10th grade division. Great job to all who participated on Saturday and throughout the year.
-Coach Arant



COMING SOON! MELODRAMA!

The Requisite for the Undaunted OR *A Kingdom In Need of a Hero!* Needs your help to be a success. Dare to find out whether evil Count Xavier will take over the Kingdom of All that is Right and Pure and Good. Good, clean family fun with dinner included. Dinner and entertainment provided by the cowpokes down at the Lazy O Ranch. Dinner starts at 6:00 PM. Mark your calendars. Ticket information to follow.