


# OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

# NEWS & NOTES

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## ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! As I write this on Friday morning, my expectation is to be in Kansas on Monday when you receive it. My father in law suffered a major heart attack on Thursday and the doctors plan to do 5 or 6 by-passes on Monday morning. I am not writing this specifically to ask for your prayers on the family's behalf although I covet them. I'm writing this because I understand that so often events such as this go on within our school family without many of us even knowing about it. For example, did you know that Mrs. Dommel is in Pennsylvania right now due to her mother-in-law. She is not expected to live through this week. I realize that we have rings of relationships; our family is closest, then friends, then perhaps church family, and then maybe comes the school family. You might not be willing to share your prayer requests outside some of those closest relationships. As a school, a community that centers around the learning of loved ones, we need to be willing to pray for one another. So, with-in the News and Notes we are beginning a Prayer Corner. In the Prayer Corner there will be items that are happening at school that all of you can be in prayer about. If you have an area of concern that you would like to have prayed about by the school family, notify the school, and we will put it in the Corner. For example, it could be the illness or loss of a loved one that has an affect on your child here at school. Praying for one another, it is a part of that simple, Christian way of life.

## HELP NEEDED

Mr. Smagacz is in need of volunteers to help with cleaning and waxing the HS & MS hallway. Also, he needs people to help install a fence for our pre-school. If you have an auger, post-hole digger, fence stretcher, etc., please let him know. Call the school to volunteer.

## PRAYER CORNER

Board meeting tonight  
VB team and fans traveling to Prague during the week  
Mrs. Koehn's family  
Mr. Dommel's family

## HONORING VOLLEYBALL SENIORS

After the serving contest in which many deserving fans won prizes, the seven seniors were individually honored by the team: *Katie Vohnout, Laura Johnson, Michaela Schroeder, Marissa Wells, Chantelle Steggerda, Bethany Begg, and Shayla Patterson.* Each of them has made a positive impact on our team and fills a crucial role on the varsity team. Their leadership and skill will be greatly missed in future years.



## JH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

The JH girls traveled to the Scribner Tournament on Saturday, October 8th. We played Scribner the first match. The JH girls played well, however we lost 11-25 and 13-20. The next match was against West Point CC. We lost 10-25 and 6-25. They continue to encourage one another and did a good job maintaining their Christian attitudes on the court.

## CALENDAR



### THIS WEEK - B Week

- Oct 17 - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Oct 18 - Kindergarten to Bellevue Berry Farm-12:30  
- JH VB@ BT - 4:00 PM  
- VB Conf. Tourn. @ Prague vs PCS - 6:00
- Oct 19 -Preschool to Wenninghoff Farm - 9:30AM  
- End of 1st quarter
- Oct 20 - Booster Club Mtg - 8:00AM  
- Moms in Touch Prayer Group - 8:30-9:30AM  
-Preschool to Wenninghoff Farm - 9:00-11:30  
- 4th grade to Gifford Farm - 11:00-2:45  
- VB Conf. Tourn. @ Prague - 8:00 or 5:00
- Oct 21 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Inservice/Work Day  
- FB vs BT - 4:00 PM

### NEXT WEEK - A Week

- Oct 24 - Steering Comm. Mtg - 7:00 PM
- Oct 25 - 6th grade to NE City - 8:00 AM  
- Am. Rep to Ft. Atkinson - 10:30-3:20  
- VB Tri @ Scribner - 5:30 PM
- Oct 26 -Moms in Touch Prayer Group- 8:30-9:30AM
- Oct 27 - FB Districts - TBA
- Oct 28 - NO SCHOOL - Parent-Teacher Conferences

### LOOKING AHEAD



- Oct 31 - NO SCHOOL - ACSI Convention
- Nov 1 - NO SCHOOL - ACSI Convention
- Nov 11 - Elementary Harvest Parties

**WEEK OF 10/17 THRU 10/21**

Oct 17	Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Fresh Pear Biscuit Choc. Chip Cookie	Bologna & Cheese Sand. Green Beans Fresh Pear Biscuit Choc. Chip Cookie
Oct 18	Smart Sub Baby Carrots Apple Baked Chips	NO COLD LUNCH
Oct 19	Chicken & Noodles Cal. Blend Noodles Grapes Blueberry Muffin	NO COLD LUNCH
Oct 20	Fried Chicken Potato Salad Mixed Fruit Bread & Spread Zebra Brownie	NO COLD LUNCH
Oct 21	Mini Corn Dogs Potato Rounds Fresh Fruit Medley School Fuel	NO COLD LUNCH

**WEEK OF 10/24 THRU 10/28**

Oct 24	Hamburger w/bun French Fries Apple Tollhouse Bar	Cottage Cheese w/fruit French Fries Apple Tollhouse Bar
Oct 25	Mac & Cheese Green Beans Grapes Soft Pretzel	Chicken Salad on croissant Green Beans Grapes Soft Pretzel
Oct 26	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Peaches Choc. Cookie	Stuffed Tomato w/cot. ch. Peaches Choc. Cookie
Oct 27	Creamed Turkey Mashed Pot. w/gravy Strawberries & Bananas Hot Roll Ice Cream Cup	Salami & Cheese Sand. Mashed Pot. w/gravy Strawberries & Bananas Hot Roll Ice Cream Cup
Oct 28	NO SCHOOL	

\*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**

- ☞ High school juniors interested in the United States Coast Guard Academy may want to attend the Academy's summer program, AIM, the Academy Introduction Mission. It is a challenging six-day summer program, offered only to students entering their senior year in high school and interested in serving their country and exploring technical degree programs.
  - ☞ High school students interested in a career in the medical field may want to participate in Trauma Tuesday. It is sponsored by Alegent Health Systems and is part of the Explore Program. It will be an evening of medical career exploration and hands-on activities. It will take place on Tues., Oct. 26, from 6:00-8:00 pm at Immanuel Medical Center. There is a \$10 registration fee.
  - ☞ College of Saint Mary will be hosting an event at Spezia on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 6:45 p.m. Students will be able to find out more about the admission and financial aid process, student life, and activities. RSVP to Angie Birk at 399-2444 or email at [abirk@csm.edu](mailto:abirk@csm.edu).
  - ☞ Seniors interested in visiting The King's College in New York City should be aware of the college's Operation Airlift. This is an opportunity for students and their parents to experience both King's and New York City. Guests are responsible for airfare, but King's covers the rest of the weekend's expenses for students including hotel accommodations, a Broadway show, other entertainment, and most meals. Adults are charged \$125 for the weekend. This year they are hosting four Operation Airlift weekends: Oct. 28-31, Nov. 11-14, Feb. 24-27, and April 21-24. In order to qualify students must have a GPA of at least 3.2, 1100 SAT (math and critical reading), or 24 ACT.
  - ☞ Creighton Univ. will be hosting an Admissions Reception at the First National Bank at 144th & West Dodge Road on Wed., Nov. 2, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. The reception will give students and parents a chance to talk with admissions representatives.
- Calendar:**
- Oct. 17- College of St. Mary Rep Visit
  - Oct. 19 - Iowa Western Rep Visit
  - Oct. 26 - Hillsdale Rep Visit
  - Oct. 27 - Rotary Visit for 8th graders
  - Oct. 28 - SAT Registration Deadline for Dec. 3 Test
  - Nov. 4 - ACT Registration Deadline for Dec. 10 Test
  - No. 4 - North Park Univ. Rep Visit
  - Nov. 9 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for Dec. 3 Test
  - Nov. 17 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for Dec. 10 Test
- ☞ **If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.**

**CONCESSIONS**

Oct. 21 - BT - game time 4:00

**-Concessions - Start at 3:30**

- Bill & Dianne Cosgrove
- Larry & Deanne Gowen

**- Grill** - Russ & Linda Gingrich

**- Snow Cone-** Ray & Kathy Cumings

**- Gate - Start at 3:15**

- Dawn Arant
- Bob & Liz Birkey



## STUDENTS & PARENTS

You can help OCA with an opportunity to receive a donation of \$7500.00 from HyVee by enrolling in the "HyVee Smiles for Education" during the next 9 weeks! Every week, 10 schools will receive \$7500.00 from HyVee and the student who registered their school will receive a MP3 player.

How do you participate? At the customer service counter at each HyVee store, you can register OCA and your students who attend OCA everytime you are in the store. You fill out a form and there is no purchase necessary to participate. Every Monday, a new drawing will take place from now until December 12th. However, the last day to register will be December 7th. Each week they start over by throwing out all the registrations forms from the previous week.

## BOARD COLUMN

On Monday, October 17th, the OCA Board of Directors will be meeting in room 308 at 6:30 PM. The first 30 minutes is set aside for guests and is an opportunity for anyone to come and share concerns, ideas, or just listen in. We would be glad to have visitors.

On the agenda for this meeting are:

- Construction/relocation items
- Search committee for the executive director for development
- Search committee for a permanent location.

Please continue to uphold us in prayers.

Steve White, Board President

## CUB SCOUT CORNER

Pack your sleeping bag and your raccoon repellent - we're going camping! We will meet at Camp Little Sioux Friday afternoon, October 21st anytime after 3:00 PM and hopefully before dark. Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch will be provided. If you need directions or more details, call the Hempel's at 572-7672.

Got your boat ready to race? The Raingutter Regatta will be the main event at next Monday's Pack Meeting. All scouts, parents, and siblings are eligible to enter the race. Meet on Monday, October 24, 6:30 PM at Fort Street Christian Church.

Reminders:

- 1) Returning scouts please come prepared to pay your annual dues on the 24th.
- 2) Popcorn sales end October 25th. Bring all your order sheets back on the 24th.

## JH FOOTBALL EAGLES FINISH 2005 CAMPAIGN UNDEATED WITH A VICTORY OVER CEDAR BLUFFS

The Jr. High Eagle football team traveled to Cedar Bluffs last Tuesday to finish their 2005 season. Just to let the Wildcats know the Eagles were serious Jared Cummings took the opening kick off and returned it for a touchdown. Next Peter Drake went sixty yards on a fake reverse to put the Eagles up by two touchdowns. As the Eagles pulled ahead Max Lewis added two touchdown runs. Jacob Richards and Parker Adams also kept their streak alive. The two have connected for a touchdown pass every game this year, five total for the season. Parker also ran for a touchdown.

2005 was a great season for the Jr. High football team going 4-0 and outscoring their opponents 136 to 24, an average of 34 points a game! Much of their success can be attributed to the offensive line. Guards Ben Deaver, Dillon Wyatt, Center Joshua Buckingham-Weibel and blocking end Sean West punched holes in opposing defenses for backs Max Lewis, Peter Drake, Jared Cummings and Kenny Clow to run through. Parker Adams was the deep receiving threat at end. Quarterbacks Jacob Richards and his back up Carson Wirges were leaders on and off the field. Everyone on the Eagle team pulled together this year and had a great season!

2005 team members were; eighth graders Parker Adams, Jared Cummings, Peter Drake, Ben Deaver, Joseph Hawk, Luke Henkenius, Max Lewis, Jacob Richards, Casey Vohnout, Sean West, and Dillon Wyatt. Seventh grade participants included; Kenny Clow, Josh Bebee, Josh Buckingham-Weibel, Kyle Krumwiede, Nate Manus, Marcus McLean, Mike Perry, Elliott Sterns, Matt Vilter and Carson Wirges.

I would like to add my heart felt and deep personal thanks to Coach Hamilton for all of his support, as well as my rookie assistant coach, Mr. J T Perry. Also thanks to Athletic Director Thompson and the office staff for their help with all of the administrative details. Thanks also to all the parents for supporting your student athletes during all of their hard work this season. Finally and most importantly, thanks to God for the opportunity to serve Him on the football field.

Coach Schafer



## LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Eagles played Omaha Nation on Tuesday, October 18. They lost the first game 15-25, but fought in the second game to win a close 27-25. Kara Krumwiede led the team with four ace serves in the second game. Despite Lauren Strasser's four ace serves and Stephanie Thompson's two aces, Omaha Nation won the third game 25-17. Junior Loni Willis led the team with two aces and three kill attacks for the night.

The varsity team also boldly encountered Omaha Nation. In the first game, Shayla Patterson went back to serve eight consecutive serves, six of them aces. The Lady Eagles won the first game 25-9. The Lady Eagles allowed Omaha Nation to pull ahead and win the second game 22-25, but the eagles won the third and fourth games 25-14 and 25-18. Shayla Patterson led the team with eight kill attacks and eight ace serves. Michaela Schroeder had six kills; Tabitha Hamilton and Marissa Wells each had four. Tabitha Hamilton led the team with twelve blocks, four of them kills. Marissa Wells was close behind with three kill blocks. Laura Johnson had fourteen set assists, and Jackie Johnson had six. Laura Johnson led the team with twelve digs. Three players each had four ace serves: Laura Johnson, Marissa Wells, and Laura Henkenius.

Thursday night began with a C Team vs. JV scrimmage. For the C Team, Stephanie Hamilton led with four ace serves, and both Michelle Gingrich and Allison Rozema had one. Stephanie Hamilton led the team with five good attacks, and Tania Brim put down two kills. Then, the JV team took on College View. The Lady Eagles started the game with a lead of 7-1, but College View caught up later to tie the game at 17-17. When the Lady Eagles were down 18-24, Lexie Bryce's kill block enabled a side out and Kara Krumwiede consistently served six serves under pressure, two of them aces. Stephanie Hamilton's kill attack brought the score to 22-24. The crowd was on the edge of their seats as the Lady Eagles fought to tie the game at 24-24! Unfortunately, College View earned the last two points of the game to win, but not without a fight. College View sealed a win in the second game of the night also. Liz Putman led the team with six good attacks, one was a kill. Both the C and JV teams have showed much improvement throughout the season, and will shine in future years too!

Despite a serve receive passing struggle in the first game against College View (The Lady Eagles were behind 1-11), the Varsity Lady Eagles fought to bring the score to a close 21-23. College View pulled ahead to win the first game 21-25. Determined to reverse the outcome, OCA started the second game with a lead and maintained it throughout the game to win 25-17! The Lady Eagles finished the night with a disappointing loss 15-25 and 17-25. College View is ranked third in our conference, and with some improvement in passing the Lady Eagles will dominate if we face them on Thursday in the tournament. Michaela Schroeder led the team with 21 digs and 6 kill attacks.

OCA's Pep Band fired up the teams, fans, and coaches as music filled the gym during the team warm-ups. Thanks for showing your support!!

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### FUND-RAISER UPDATE

Here are the totals for the last two years:

	2003-2004	2004-2005
Target	\$801.82	\$612.12
Boxtops	\$860.40	\$832.51
HyVee	\$125.03	\$188.74
Esript	\$49.92	\$32.20

This money goes into the general fund. Please continue to shop and clip the proper labels, box tops or UPC. Remember, if you shop at HyVee, please save your cash register receipts through the end of the year, and turn them into the school. OCA will receive \$1.00 for every \$150.00 spent and the receipt does not need to be yellow. All receipts are welcome.



### PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Friday, October 28 from 12:00-8:00 pm. Parents are required to attend these conferences. Report cards will be given out.

**K-4th grade:** Please call the school office to schedule a 15 minute conference with your child's teacher.

**5th-12th grade:** These conferences will be in the cafeteria on a first come basis.