


NEWS & NOTES

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ISSUE 5

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! You are greatly encouraged to attend the Association meeting tomorrow evening. The meeting begins at 7:00 and there will be baby sitting provided for children. The main purpose for the meeting is the approval of the budget for this school year. The Board will also be discussing plans for the location of the school in the future. I believe that it will be worth your time for you to attend. While only members of the association can vote, any one can come and be informed. Of course, it does not take much to be a member, only a \$25 donation for parents and then you can take an active part in the meeting. The meeting will be in the Assembly Room on the second floor of the building. You may park in the back, east, parking lot and enter through the door that has the awning over it. If anyone needs assistance to the second floor, there will be someone to help with the elevator. Thank you for supporting your school and attending this meeting

SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures will be taken of students Preschool-eleventh grade on Thursday, September 21 beginning at 8:00 a.m. Seniors may have their picture taken if they would like to receive a Student ID Card. Order forms are going home with students today for those who would like to purchase pictures. Students should have their picture taken even if you do not want to purchase them. These photos go into the school yearbook. Parents of 4 year old preschoolers, please bring your child in for their picture to be taken sometime between 8:00-10:00 a.m. If you have any questions you may contact the school office.

OCA QUIZ BOWL TEAM

The OCA Quiz Bowl team competed on Saturday at Creighton Prep High School. In the morning rounds the scores were: OCA 80 - Papillion 50; OCA 120 - Gretna 60; OCA 105 - Brownell Talbot 115. In the afternoon rounds, which are sudden death, OCA was victorious over Millard West with a score of 175 to 30 and then fell to Columbus, ending the meet for OCA. Way to go team! Students participating were: Katie Arant, Ben Hawk, Chris Rozema, and Caleb White.

BOARD MEETING

The OCA Board will be meeting Monday, September 18 at 6:30 PM. The Board Meeting will be held at Omaha Christian Academy.

ASSOCIATION MEETING

Tuesday, September 19 at 7:00 PM there will be an Association meeting at OCA in the Assembly room on the second floor. Childcare will be provided.

BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The Booster Club will be meeting on Thursday, Sept. 21 at 8:00 a.m. on the second floor.

COOLER WEATHER

Parents, please remember to check the weather when sending your child to school. They may have physical education class which will often times be outside. The younger children will go outside for recess most days. Please make sure they have appropriate clothing to be outside during the day.

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK - B Week

- Sep 18 - Board Meeting @ OCA - 6:30 PM
- Sep 19 - ASVAB Test for Juniors - 8:00 AM
 - MS Football vs Brownell - 4:00 PM
 - Association Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Sep 21 - School Pictures
 - Booster Club Meeting - 8:00 AM
 - JV VB vs Mead - 6:30 PM
 - VB vs Mead - 7:30 PM
- Sep 22 - FB @ Nebraska City - 7:00 PM
- Sep 23 - Craft Fair

NEXT WEEK - A Week

- Sep 25 - Science Fair Meeting for Parents - 7:00 PM
 - Parent Connection Meeting - 7:00 PM at Rob & Mitten Taylor's home
- Sep 26 - MS FB @ Mead - 6:00 PM
- Sep 27 - 8th gr. to Ft. Atkinson, Mus., Pizza Hut-10:40
- Sep 28 - C VB vs Yutan at Ralston MS
 - JV VB vs Yutan at Ralston MS
- Sep 29 - FB @ Mead - 7:00 PM
- Sep 30 - VB @ Nebraska Lutheran

LOOKING AHEAD



- Oct 5 - PLAN Test for Sophomores
- Oct 6 - Homecoming: FB vs Cedar Bluffs - 4:00 PM

WEEK OF 9/18 THRU 9/22

Sept 18	Little Smokies Crudite Cheese & Crackers Fruit Turnover	Cot. Cheese w/ Pineapple Crudite Cheese & Crackers Fruit Turnover
Sept 19	Crunchy Beef Tacos Corn Cinnamon Apples Snickerdoodle Cookie	Shrimp Salad in Avocado Corn Cinnamon Apples Snickerdoodle Cookie
Sept 20	Stuffed Cheese Pocket w/ Marinara Sauce Green Beans Watermelon Lemon Bar	Cottage Cheese & Fruit Green Beans Watermelon Lemon Bar
Sept 21	Breaded Beef Pattie Fresh Seasonal Fruit Tea Roll Choc. Choc. Chip Cookie	Salad Box w/ Shrimp Fresh Seasonal Fruit Tea Roll Choc. Choc. Chip Cookie
Sept 22	Pancakes & Sausage Potato Rounds Melon Blueberry Muffin Square	Turkey Ham & Cheese Sand Potato Rounds Melon Blueberry Muffin Square

WEEK OF 9/25 THRU 9/30

Sept 25	Pizza Rolls Broccoli w/ Ranch Dress. Applesauce Bear Cookie	Ham & Cheese Roll-up Broccoli w/ Ranch Dress. Applesauce Bear Cookie
Sept 26	Taco Burger Lettuce & Cheese Cup Corn Apple Crisp	Tomato Stuffed w/ Tuna Corn Apple Crisp
Sept 27	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Mixed Fruit Sugar Cookie	Taco Salad Box Mized Fruit Sugar Cookie
Sept 28	Chili w/ Crackers French Fries Mini Banana Cinnamon Roll	Tuna Salad Sandwich French Fries Mini Banana Cinnamon Roll
Sept 29	Hot Dog w/ Chili Baby Carrots Peaches Cake	Salad Box w/ Egg Peaches Cake

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

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.40 (K-4); \$2.55 (5-12); \$1.00 Extra Entrees

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.

HEALTH UPDATE FORM

Parents if you have not turned in your child(ren)s Health Update Form, please turn it in to the office by September 29. One form per child needs to be filled out. Kindergarten and 7th grade students need the Health Update Form filled out even though they turned in school physicals. If you need a form, you can print one from the document section of Sycamore Education or you can pick one up from the office.

GUIDANCE CORNER

☞ Dana College will be hosting a Discover Your Future at Discover Dana Day on Saturday, Sept. 23. If interested in attending you can register at 1-800-444-3262 or visit www.dana.edu/admissions.

☞ UNK will be hosting a Health Careers Fair on Wednesday, Nov. 1, from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Over 40 representatives from various health care professions will be sponsoring tables at the fair. More information is available in the guidance office. NRG Media will be hosting an exploring program for high school students interested in a career field in the broadcast industry. The first meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 25, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. There is a \$20 registration fee. To reserve your position please call or email Danielle Van Norman, 431-9272, dvannorman@mac-bsa.org.

☞ High school students interested in a career in dentistry, dental hygiene, or dental assisting would benefit from participating in Creighton University's Exploring Program in Dentistry. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 20, beginning at 7:00 pm at Creighton University's Boyne Building, Room 137. There is a \$20 registration fee. If interested in attending email Lisa Asmussen at iasmussen@mac-bsa.org for call her at 431-9272.

☞ Nebraska Wesleyan Univ. will be hosting several visitation days for seniors interested in attending Wesleyan. Those dates are as follows: Saturday, Oct. 21; Friday, Oct. 27; Friday, Nov. 3; and Saturday, Nov. 11. For more information and to register contact the admissions office at 800-541-3818, ext. 2218 or email admissions@nebrwesleyan.edu.

☞ The Assistance League of Omaha will be hosting an ACT Review Course that consists of 2 classes and an optional third class for those also taking the ACT Writing Test. Both classes need to be attended to receive full coverage. The first class will be held on Monday, Oct. 23 or Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 6:30-9:30 pm. The second class will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 25 or Thursday, Oct. 26, from 6:30-9:30 pm. The optional third class will be held on Thursday, Oct. 26 only from 6:30-8:30 pm. The fee for two classes is \$30. If all three classes are desired the fee is \$40. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.

Calendar:

- Sept. 19 - ASVAB Test for 11th grade
- Sept. 20 - Late SAT Registration for Oct. 14 Test
- Sept. 21 - U of N Medical Center Nursing School Rep
- Sept 22 - ACT Registration Deadline for Oct. 28 Test
- Sept 27 - Trinity Christian Rep Visit
- Sept 28 - Grace University Rep Visit
- Sept 29 - SAT Registration Deadline for Nov. 4 Test

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

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

What is it, and what do they have going on? Student Activities Board is a new group of student volunteers who want to organize activities in which students can be involved. It is their hope to have activities, both in and out of school, that will help build unity among our student body. It currently consists of about 25 upperclass students, and is expanding this next week with the addition of sophomores and freshmen. Their current project is Homecoming. Included in Homecoming Week plans: Theme days (Oct. 2-6), a Saturday night semi-formal dinner at Cascio's, and an activity after the dinner. The plans have not yet reached completion, so more information will be forthcoming. The Homecoming Dinner has five different meal choices. Tickets cost \$17.50 each. They will be on sale from September 19-29.

PART-TIME HELP IN CAFETERIA

Joyce James will be leaving at the end of September and we need to replace her position in the cafeteria. We need someone who is confident with their computer skills, has good communication skills, and enjoys working with others, especially students. The hours are approximately 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. If you are interested in being a part of the cafeteria team, please give the office or Cindy Ostry in the lunch room a call.

PARENT CONNECTION MEETING

The Parent Connection will be meeting on Monday, September 25 at 7:00 PM at Rob & Mitten Taylor's home. Their address is 11080 Oakbrook Drive, Omaha, 68154.

GATE AND CLEAN-UP WORKERS

Volleyball Game

Thursday, Sept. 21 at 6:30 PM at Grace University

Gate: Mark and Keri Phillips

Clean-up: Sophomore Families/Russ & Linda Gingrich

CUB SCOUT CORNER

Calling all Boys -- Grades 1 - 5!!

You are invited to bring your parent to an Information Celebration Night sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 415.

If you currently are in this Pack, this will be the night to sign up again for the year. If you are just interested and would like to hear more, this is your best opportunity!

Monday, September 25 - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Fort Street Christian Church (99th & Fort)

Questions? Call Steve & Jean Hempel, 572-7672

Bring a friend - neighbor - classmate!

BAKE SALE DONATIONS

You are invited to support the Sophomore Class Bake Sale at the craft fair on Saturday, September 23 by coming and purchasing a bake sale item(s) or by donating baked items. Your baked item can be dropped off in the OCA Cafeteria Friday, September 22 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. or Saturday, September 23 from 7:00-11:00 a.m. Your support is greatly appreciated! (No cream pies or refrigerated items. See Health Tips for Bake Sales attachment.) If you have any questions please call: Susanne Kersey 203-3947 or Pam Howell 571-0699.

YEARBOOKS

Did you forget to order a yearbook? A limited number of Eagle Junior Yearbooks (middle school & elementary) are on sale in the office. The price is \$25.00.

THANK YOU!

The library committee and Mrs. Randall want to thank all who helped provide magazines needed for the library this year. All of our subscriptions were covered. PTL!

~ Mrs. Randall

WATER, WATER, EVERYWHERE BUT NOT A DROP TO DRINK

Parent Connection is once again soliciting money for the water fund for bottled water for the teacher's lounge. The teacher's lounge does not have running water. Bottles are \$6.00 a piece, and we use three a week. Please make donations in the office. If you have any questions call Kimber McLean 682-0330.

SCOREBOARD CORNER

Varsity Football:

OCA 17 - Exeter Milligan 40



Volleyball:

OCA JV defeated Brownell Talbot
25-23; 18-25; 15-6

OCA Varsity lost to Brownell Talbot
23-25; 20-25; 22-25

Cedar Bluffs Tourney:

OCA lost to Cedar Bluffs
20-25; 21-25

OCA defeated Winnebago
25-22; 25-17

OCA lost to Humphrey St. Francis
25-10; 25-15

MOMS IN TOUCH

We are starting a Moms in Touch group in the assembly room on the 2nd floor. The group will meet every Tuesday morning from 8:15-9:15 a.m. Kelly Wirges will be providing babysitting for moms with young children.

ATTENTION OCA PARENTS

OCA participates in several different programs that give OCA either free merchandise or cash. Please recruit family, friends, and neighbors to also save for OCA.

Here is how it works:

COLLECT:

Cambell's Labels for Education ~ Please save only UPC Code or Lid as this really saves time with counting and bundling. Some products require saving the UPC. See the package for reminder symbol.

"Our Family" Labels for Learning ~ Please clip only the UPC from "Our Family" products. Each UPC is worth 5 cents. These products can be purchased at Bag & Save, Hy Vee, and No Frills.

General Mills Box Tops for Education ~ Each box top is worth 10 cents to OCA. Clip closely around the box top coupon (it saves a lot of time later). DO NOT submit any Betty Crocker coupons/points. Box Tops also offer online shopping and a Visa charge which generates a percentage back to OCA.

Target Visa Card ~ Use your card and Target will send a certain percentage to OCA.

Hy Vee Receipts ~ Cash for Education ~ Monday, Sept. 11-Sunday, Dec. 31. OCA will receive \$1.00 for every \$150.00 spent so bring your receipts to the school. They may not have the yellow marking as in the past.

Inkjet/Laser/Fax Cartridges ~ recycle cartridges in the box outside the office.

Place you labels/boxtops/receipts/UPC's in the collection boxes outside the office on the third floor or in a marked envelope inside the OCA Mailbox on the first floor.

Thank you for your help supporting OCA and for the time spent trimming box tops and labels. Please feel free to call Kathy Nilius at 492-8777 if you would like to help or have questions on these programs.

INCOME FROM FUNDRAISING 2005-2006

The following amounts were raised during the 2005-2006 school year from our "Labels" fundraiser:
Box Tops for Education - \$628.90
Hy Vee Cash for Students - \$221.00
Our Family - \$140.95
Campbells Labels for Education - 62,500 Labels

For Campbell's you no longer need to save labels. Please save the UPC or LID for participating products. Please clip closely around all UPC's and Box Tops. Our Family Labels for Learning is offering TRIPLE VALUE (15 cents instead of 5 cents) for each UPC until October 10, 2006. Please have these in the collection box by Friday, October 6.

2006 Magazine Sales Update

We jumped out with real strong sales the first day, selling 744 items towards our goal of 2000. The second week we started out slower than expected with 256 sales the first day. We finished the week strong totaling 1680 items! We ended up close to 84% of our goal. Overall, with 45% participating we will be able to bring in \$12,000! **Thank you for all your efforts in bringing in this extra money for OCA!**

Who will be the “Keeper of the Eagle”? This week it will be announced who the top selling class was during chapel times. I will say that, the top selling class is between Mr. Arndt’s 4th grade class and Mrs. Larrick’s 6th grade class. They already know this, as there were goal thermometers in the stairwell. They were one of the 6 classes that received doughnuts for reaching their class goal. The top selling class is determined by the highest average sales per student. Last year Mr. Schmidt’s Physics class beat out Mr. Arndt’s class by averaging 10.2 versus 9.2 sales per student to win! This year it is an even narrower margin. To which class will Mr. Schmidt be passing on the “Top Selling Class” Eagle Award?

The magazine sale needs **volunteers** to make it happen. Once again, I had many volunteers to make my job easier. There are many, many hours that go into the magazine sales. **I would like to thank the many volunteers that took time out of their day(s) to help!** Dorothy Allen, Becky White, Connie Henkenius, Nancy Taylor, Diane Jay, Leslie Neal, Mary Sorensen, Melissa Stone, Sharon Berg, Carolee Randall, Margie Thierstein, Kelly Lyle, Angela Kohls, Donna Kotchka, and Cathy Clifton. A special thank you to Tricia Lewis, who put in many hours as my assistant this year. She will be taking over magazine sales next year.

To have a successful sale like this, **you have many kids selling above and beyond what is expected of them! We reward the K-8th grade students with a Limo/Pizza lunch and the 9th-12th grade students with a Cosmic Bowling/Lunch for selling over 14 items or over 24 as a family.** A list of the students that qualified (60) follows. If you feel your child should be on this list, please let the school office know. A firm date has not been set for these events, but they will take place in October. The top sellers of the day for each school (ES, MS, HS) received 10 additional prize store tickets.

LimoBus/Lunch Qualifiers

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Student</u>
1st	Hawk, Julia
1st	Koehn, Alissa
1st	Kohls, Rachel
1st	Myers, Macy
1st	Stone, Cassady
1st	Wyatt, Matthew
2nd	Bryce, Serenity
2nd	Combs-Brown, Kelsay
2nd	Drowne, Justin
2nd	Rye, Grant
3rd	Hempel, Daniel
3rd	Olsen, Nachia
4th	Lewis, McKenna 3rd Day ES Top Seller w/ 16
4th	Lindsey, Hannah
4th	Mott, Brooke 1st Day ES Top Seller w/ 21
4th	Myers, Morgan
4th	Peterson, Ashley 2nd Day ES Top Seller w/16
4th	Svatos, Zoe Overall ES Top Seller w/ 28
5th	Colegrove, Jessica
5th	Cuozzo, Christian
5th	Drowne, Timothy
5th	Gingrich, Abigail
5th	Rapiach, Raven
5th	Richards, Jesse
5th	Rye, Mikayla
5th	Saiz, Jared Overall MS Top Seller w/ 27
5th	Walter, Rachel 2nd Day MS Top Seller w/ 8
5th	Wyatt, Josiah
6th	Hempel, Jonathon
6th	Lovgren, Olivia
6th	Myers, Micaela
6th	Roberts, Joshua
6th	Smith, Madison
6th	Stone, Andrew
6th	Sullivan, (Jordan) Chanda
6th	Tulsie, Alex
7th	Jasso, Briana 3rd Day MS Top Seller w/ 16
7th	Roberts, Meredith 1st Day MS Top Seller w 21
7th	Zank, Brian
8th	Koehn, Skyler
8th	Smith, Eric
K	Cooley, Troy
K	Drowne, Brian
K	Evans, Jessica
K	Rapaich, Levi
K	Richards, Joanna

Cosmic Bowling/Lunch

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Student</u>
10th	Gingrich, Michelle
11th	Hawk, Ben
11th	Henkenius, Laura
11th	Phillips, Kati
11th	Zimmerle, Pam
12th	Gingrich, Danielle
9th	Hawk, Joe 1st Day & Overall HS Top Seller w/ 50
9th	Henkenius, Luke
9th	Lahm, Zach
9th	Lewis, Max 3rd Day HS Top Seller w/ 19
9th	Lindsey, Marissa
9th	Lovgren, Emily
9th	Richards, Jacob
9th	Wyatt, Anna