


# OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## NEWS & NOTES

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### ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

 Blessings! Thanks to all of you who attended the association meeting on Tuesday night. It was well attended. It could, of course, always be better attended. For details of the meeting see the article from Mr. Strasser below and you can find the association meeting minutes in the document section of Sycamore Education.

I learned something new last week regarding Sycamore Education, it does not work well with the Safari browser. If you are using Safari, you need to download either Internet Explorer or Firefox. I know that Firefox is a free download and I believe Internet Explorer is as well. On another note, I read an article over the weekend in an educational magazine. It seems that the research indicates that students do better when their parents are involved in their education. Parent involvement can take place at school; serving in committees, helping in a classroom, volunteering as an aid, and attending activities. Parent involvement also happens at home, when the parent stays involved in the education of the child by helping and encouraging the child with the work that is expected of students. As a school, we are very appreciative of the parental involvement at OCA. Thanks for all you do to help in your child's education.

### A NOTE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

The Semi annual meeting of the OCA Association was held last Tuesday. The big topic of the evening was the purchase of land for a future permanent home for OCA, and how we might pay for that land. I asked those at the meeting to fill out an anonymous form indicating how they would be willing to be involved in the future. There were 25 families who completed a form, and I think the results were good. Most forms had multiple answers marked. The results of the survey are 20 are willing to give time to help, 18 said they would give money, 15 said they were interested in buying bonds, 13 who would ask others for donations, and 4 have other ways they would serve. This discussion will continue at a special meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 7pm at OCA. This is an important step for OCA. All parents are encouraged to please try to attend. Thank you.



### SEE YOU AT THE POLE

See You At the Pole is this Wednesday, September 27. Please be there at 7:00 a.m. for prayer and worship. All students K-12 are invited. Parents and teachers are welcome to attend.

### 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.

### SCIENCE FAIR

There is a Science Fair meeting for parents Monday, September 25 at 7:00 PM in Mrs. Dommel's room.

### 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.

## CALENDAR

### THIS WEEK - A Week

- Sep 25 - MS VB vs Homeschool @ Lighthouse - 4:30
  - 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 @ Yutan - 5:30
  - JV VB @ Yutan - 6:30
- Sep 29 - FB @ Mead - 7:00 PM
- Sep 30 - VB @ Nebraska Lutheran 10:00/11:00 AM

### NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Oct 2 - JV FB vs Cedar Bluffs - 4:00 PM
- Oct 3 - JV VB vs Prague - 6:30 PM
  - VB vs Prague - 7:30 PM
- Oct 4 - PLAN Test for Sophomores
- Oct 5 - MS vs ISD @ Westroads Club
  - JV VB vs Winnebago @ Grace U. - 6:00 PM
  - VB vs Winnebago @ Grace U. - 7:00 PM
- Oct 6 - HOMECOMING
  - FB vs Cedar Bluffs - 4:00 PM
- Oct 7 - JV VB Tourney @ Mead
  - MS VB Tourney @ Scribner

### LOOKING AHEAD



- Oct 9 - Association Meeting in Assembly Room - 7:00
- Oct 16 - Board Meeting @ OCA - 6:30 PM

## 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	Campfire Chili w/ Crackers Rodeo French Fries Mini Banana Cinnamon Roll	Tuna Salad Sandwich Rodeo French Fries Mini Banana Cinnamon Roll
Sept 29	Cowboy Hot Dog w/ Chili Cowpoke Baby Carrots Wrangler Peaches Wild West Cake	Salad Box w/ Egg Wrangler Peaches Wild West Cake

## WEEK OF 10/2 THRU 10/6

Oct 2	Grilled Chicken Burger Potato Rounds Pear Sport Cookie	Egg Salad Sandwich Potato Rounds Pear Sport Cookie
Oct 3	Sloppy Joe on Bun Corn on the Cob Apple Tollhouse Cookie Bar	Chef Salad Box Apple Tollhouse Cookie Bar
Oct 4	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Rice Krispy Bar	Salmon Salad on Crois. Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Rice Krispy Bar
Oct 5	Chicken Giggles Salad Potato Smiles Orange Smiles Bread & Spread Smiley Cookie	Salad Box w/ Salmon Salad Potato Smiles Orange Smiles Bread & Spread Smiley Cookie
Oct 6	Husker Hoagie Football Tomato Salad Pickle Spear Football Kumquats Big Red Cookie	Crispy Chicken Salad Pickle Spear Football Kumquats Big Red Cookie

\*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.

## FROM THE CAFETERIA

Parents, when sending cash for your child's lunch, please be sure it is in a sealed envelope with their first and last name. Also, if your child(ren) bring a lunch from home they need to bring their own eating utensils and napkins. The cafeteria only provides these items for lunches purchased at school.

## GUIDANCE CORNER

The Assistance League of Omaha is offering an ACT Review Course at Westside High School. The course consists of two classes with an optional third class that covers the writing portion. The first class will be held on Monday, Oct. 23 or Tuesday, Oct 24 from 6:30-9:30 pm. The second class will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 25 or Thursday, Oct. 26 from 6:30-9:30 pm. The third class will be held on Thursday, Oct. 26 only from 6:30-8:30 pm. Both classes need to be attended to receive full coverage. 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.

High school students interested in the field of banking would benefit from participating in the First National Bank Exploring Program. The kick off meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 6:00 pm in the Wintergarden of the First National Bank Tower at 1601 Dodge St. There is a \$20 registration fee. If interested in attending contact Barb White at 964-8443 or [barbwhite@fnni.com](mailto:barbwhite@fnni.com).

Xenon International School of Hair Design will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, Oct. 15 from 1:00-4:00 pm. If interested in attending you need to reserve your spot by calling 393-2933.

High school students interested in the field of healthcare would benefit from participating in the Alegent Health's Exploring posts. You may choose from the following hospitals: Lakeside Hospital - Monday, Oct. 2, 5:30 pm in the Swanson Conference Center; Bergan Mercy Medical Center - Monday, Oct. 9, 6:30 pm in the Dining Center; Immanuel Medical Center - Tuesday, Oct. 10, 7:00 pm in the Happy Hollow room; Midlands Hospital - Tuesday, Oct. 24, 7:00 pm in the cafeteria. There is a \$20 registration fee. Space is limited. To register email Lisa Asmussen at [lasmussen@mac-bsa.org](mailto:lasmussen@mac-bsa.org) or call 431-9272.

High school students interested in a career in occupational therapy, physical therapy, athletic training, chiropractic medicine, speech therapy, and/or sports medicine would benefit from participating in the Go Physical Therapy Exploring Program. The introductory meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 7:00 pm at Go Physical Therapy at 18101 R Plaza, Suite 106 (southwest corner of 180th and Q). If interested in attending contact Lisa Asmussen at 431-9272 or email [lasmussen@mac-bsa.org](mailto:lasmussen@mac-bsa.org).

Southeast Community College, Milford Campus, will be hosting several Computer Electronics Days. This is a one-day hands-on tutorial where you will build and test a personal computer then install and properly configure MS Windows XP. The dates are Oct. 4, 11, 25; Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29; and Dec. 6. You must pre-register. For registration call 800-933-7223, ext. 243.

### Calendar:

- Sept. 25 - Army Rep Visit
- Sept. 27 - Trinity Christian Rep Visit
- Sept. 28 - Grace Univ. Rep Visit
- Sept. 29 - SAT Registration Deadline for Nov. 4 Test
- Oct. 4 - PLAN Test for 10th Grade
- Oct. 6 - Late ACT Reg. Deadline for Oct. 28 Test
- Oct. 11 - Late SAT Reg. Deadline for Nov. 4 Test
- Oct. 18 - PSAT Testing for 11th Grade

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

Student Activity Board reminds you that next week is Homecoming Week. Tickets for the Homecoming Dinner at Cascio's are on sale this week only. The cost is \$17.50 and meal choices are steak, broiled boneless chicken breast, lasagna, spaghetti with meatballs, or fettuccini alfredo. All meals include side items and drink. Get your ticket. Don't be left out! Halls will be decorated this Friday from 3:30 until 5:00. Spirit Days for next week Oct. 2-6) are:

Monday: Pajama Day

Tuesday: Clash (spots, stripes, plaids) Day

Wednesday: Superhero/Cartoon Day

Thursday: Blast from the Past (before Y2K) Day

Friday: Blue and Gold Day



## ATTENTION MOMS

A second Moms in Touch group has started. They will meet on Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m. in the Assembly room on the second floor. Kelly Wirges will provide the childcare in another room. Claudia Ivester will lead the prayer time. Please prayerfully consider attending! You would be amazed at how quickly this "hour of power" passes. Even if you are new to prayer groups or don't like to pray out loud, don't let this stop you. The process we follow is to pray for our students, the teachers, and the school. It is easy to do using the provided packet full of scripture and prayer topics. Let's cover the school in prayer at this crucial time in it's history while enjoying fellowship and getting to know other moms at OCA. Come as you are; just bring a Bible. The other MIT group meets at Marie Williams home in Papillion, on Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. Feel free to join us anytime! Call Marie for directions-502-2171.

## PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

There is an opening for a part-time position in the cafeteria. The hours are 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. We need someone who is confident with their computer skills, has good communication skills, and enjoys working with students. If you are interested in being a part of the cafeteria team, please contact the office or Cindy Ostry.

## CUB SCOUT CORNER

### Calling all Boys -- Grades 1 - 5!!

Tonight is your night. Come and learn all there is to know about Cub Scouts. Current scouts need to come prepared to sign up for the new year. New families are WELCOME to check us out!

Time: Monday, September 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Fort Street Christian Church (99th & Fort)

Questions? Call Steve & Jean Hempel, 572-7672



## QUIZ BOWL

The 2006-2007 Quiz Bowl team is forming soon! All interested high school students should attend a meeting in Mrs. Arant's room on Thursday, September 28 at 7:30 AM. The meeting will provide you with some information, give you a chance to ask questions, and there will be a brief demonstration of what Quiz Bowl is all about. If you are interested but can't attend the meeting, you must see Mrs. Arant before the Thursday meeting. Even if you're just curious, come check us out!

~Mrs. Arant (second floor)

## ATTENTION PARENTS

OCA owns a Sears Craftsmen 24 H.P. Tractor. Does anyone in our school family have a trailer, chains, and wheel weights that we could borrow/have? The tire size is 23x10.5-12 NHS. I am also considering putting a snow blade on the tractor if anyone has one. We are also in need of a portable welder for the school or someone who does welding. If you can help, please call me at school at 990-3960. Thank you.

~ Pete Smagacz

## GATE/CONCESSION/CLEAN-UP WORKERS:

Monday, October 2 at 4:00 - JV Football Game

Gate: Jim & Paula Wells

Robert & Candace Rohlfing

Concessions: Dave & Pam Howell

Jeff & Sheryl Roach

Clean-Up: Sophomore Families

Mitch & Marcia Warnke

## SCOREBOARD CORNER

### Varsity Football:

OCA 14- Nebraska City 46

### Volleyball:

JV - OCA lost to Mead

16-25; 9-25

Varsity - OCA lost to Mead

9-25; 12-25; 16-25

### MS Football

OCA defeated Brownell Talbot 44-6

