


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

NEWS & NOTES

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ISSUE 22

 Blessings! There are a few odds and ends to discuss as we zip right into February. For me, one of the worst weeks of the whole school year is now over. I feel very sorry for our high school students during the conference basketball tournament week. With all the games played, it makes for long days for them all and trying to keep up with school work and other responsibilities must be very draining. Congratulations to the students who participate in these events. They finished the week with a high degree of energy at Nebraska City, more than I had, and honored the Lord with their effort. Added to that, the band had the service at a local church on Sunday and Mrs. Cloyd reported that the concert went very well. We continue to have basketball games for the next couple of weeks and our speech students participate at the conference speech meet one week from today. I believe that introductions have been made, but in case you have missed some of the news, Mr. Damon Benning has been added to the staff as the Vice President of Development. Dr. Bob Sweeney is volunteering his time to help oversee the transition in the Administrative position of the school as well as other leadership tasks. We all need to make these gentlemen welcome to the OCA family as they work to meet the needs of the school.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SERVANT AUCTION

Who? National Honor Society Members

When? February 2nd at halftime of the girls basketball game and between the boys and girls games

Where? Ralston Middle School

What? Servant Auction to raise money for NHS scholarships

REMINDER



**K-8th Grade Spring Soccer Sign-Ups
Tuesday, January 30, 3:15-5:45 p.m**



Teams will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. The season is March 24-May 19. Registration forms are attached to the News & Notes. They are also available on OCA's website, www.omaha.christian.academy.com, then "Youth Sports" link.

ROUND EM UP EAGLES



Round Em Up Eagles rescheduled game is this week! Come cheer on the Eagles this Friday night as they play Prague at Ralston Middle School starting at 6:00 pm. During the girls varsity game, we will have horseback rides for the K-4 graders. During the boys varsity game, you can see the junior cheerleaders perform with the help of our varsity cheerleaders. We will also have the "Great Shootout" for the 5-12 graders. Support the booster club and have some pizza and popcorn at the game. Support your eagles! See you there!!

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - A Week

- Jan 29 - Child Dev. to Sunshine Tree Daycare-9:00AM
 - Jr. Cheer Clinic 3-6 grade - 3:45-5:15 PM
 - Worship Team to Chapel @ ODM - 7:00 PM
- Jan 30 - MS GBB @ ISD - 3:30 PM
- Jan 31 - Child Dev. to Sunshine Tree Daycare-9:00AM
 - Jr. Cheer Clinic 3rd-6th grade - 3:45-4:45 PM
- Feb 1 - JV/V GBB vs Om. Nation@Grace-6:15/7:15
- Feb 2 - V G&BBB vs Prague @ Ralston MS
 - 6:15/8:00 (Jr. Cheer performance @ 8:00)

NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Feb 5 - NFC Speech at Prague - 4:00 PM
- Feb 6 - JV/V G&BBB vs Concordia @ Grace U.
 - 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00 PM - Senior Night
- Feb 7 - AP English to Greek Island Rest. - 11:30AM
- Feb 9 - ACSI Spelling Bee @ Bellevue Christian -9:00
 - JV/V BBB; V GBB @ Mead - 5:00/6:30/8:00
 - Wrestling Districts
- Feb 10 - MS GBB vs Bellevue Christian Academy
 - @ Central Christian, 1722 S.16th Street - 11:00
 - JV/V BBB @ Fremont Bergan - 6:00/7:45 PM
 - Wrestling Districts

LOOKING AHEAD

- Feb 11 - HS Band @ Grace Baptist Church - 11:00AM
- Feb 12 - GBB Sub-Districts
- Feb 13 - Kdg. Valentine's Day Party - 2:00 PM
- Feb 14 - Elementary Valentine's Day Party - 2:00 PM
- Feb 15 - Booster Club Mtg. - 8:00 AM
 - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Feb 16 - JV/V BBB vs Omaha Nation @ Ralston MS
 - 6:15/8:00 PM
- Feb 19 - NO SCHOOL - President's Day
 - BBB Sub-Districts
- Feb 22 - Association Meeting - 7:00 PM

WEEK OF 1/29 THRU 2/2

Jan 29	Mini Corn Dogs Smart Box Peas & Carrots Apple Munchies Mix	Peas & Carrots Apple Munchies Mix
Jan 30	Pancakes & Sausage Potato Rounds Orange Smiles Blueberry Muffin Sq.	Salad Box w/ Egg Potato Rounds Orange Smiles Blueberry Muffin Sq.
Jan 31	Enchilada Casserole Corn Peach Crisp Ice Cream Cup	Ham Salad Sandwich Corn Peach Crisp Ice Cream Cup
Feb 1	Open Face Turkey Sandwich Mashed Pot./Gravy Hot Roll Strawberry Shortcake	Chicken Caesar Salad Hot Roll Strawberry Shortcake
Feb 2	Chicken Noodle Soup Ham & Cheese Sand. Baby Carrots Mixed Fruit Cinn. Crumb Cake	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Baby Carrots Mixed Fruit Cinnamon Crumb Cake

WEEK OF 2/5 THRU 2/9

Feb 5	Mini Hamburgers Baked Beans Fresh Plum Baked Chips	Cottage Cheese & Fruit Baked Beans Fresh Plum Baked Chips
Feb 6	Cheese Quesadilla Corn Fresh Kiwi Cinn. Crumb Cake	Chef Salad Box Corn Fresh Kiwi Cinnamon Crumb Cake
Feb 7	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Peaches Choc. Chip Cookie	Cot. Cheese/Jelly Sand. Lettuce Salad Peaches Choc. Chip Cookie
Feb 8	Chicken Fried Chicken Mashed Pot. & Gravy Fresh Apple Tea Roll Zebra Brownie	Deli Sandwich Mashed Pot. & Gravy Fresh Apple Tea Roll Zebra Brownie
Feb 9	Sloppy Joe on Bun Green Beans Applesauce Chocolate Cake	Crispy Chicken Sal. Box Green Beans Applesauce Chocolate 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.

CUBSCOUT CORNER

Attention Pack 415 Cub Scouts!

Mark your calendars for the following event:

Friday, Feb. 23, 6:00-?? BLUE & GOLD Banquet

See you on there!

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 for the writing portion of the test. Both classes need to be attended to receive full coverage. The classes will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 6, and Wednesday, Feb. 7, from 6:30-9:30 pm. The optional third class will be held on Thursday, Feb. 8, from 6:30-8:30 pm. The fee for two classes is \$30 and \$40 for all three classes. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.

☛ Iowa Western Community College will host their 3rd Annual Aviation Day on Saturday, Feb. 24. If interested in attending contact the guidance office by Monday, Feb. 12.

☛ Oxbow Academy is offering two \$500 scholarships for seniors planning to major in animal science, food science, pre-veterinary medicine or other facets of the small companion animal industry. Deadline is March 15

☛ The Industrial Technology Dept. at UNK is offering the Larry Ludden Industrial Technology Scholarship to students who declare a major in the Industrial Technology Dept. (Construction Management, Industrial Distribution, Telecommunications Management, or Aviation Systems Management). Deadline is March 1.

☛ UNL will be hosting the Big Red Road Show on Sunday, March 4, at the Qwest Center. It's a free open house event for all students and provides an opportunity for sophomores and juniors to get a first look at UNL.

Calendar:

- Feb. 2 - SAT Registration Deadline for March 10 Test
- Feb. 14 - Late SAT Reg. Deadline for March 10 Test
- Feb. 15 - Crown College Rep Visit
- March 15 - Pensacola Rep Visit



STOP - THINK...

... before you turn into that fast-food drive-up lane! Isn't there a delicious entrée waiting in your freezer, ready to pop into the oven or microwave? There will be if you stock up on Red Wheel products, the solution for busy days when conflicting schedules and tyrannical to-do lists threaten to cause a mealtime meltdown. Treat yourself and use your dollars to benefit your OCA community at the same time! All proceeds from this important fund raiser will benefit performing arts and athletic programs. In the past, your participation has helped provide scholarships, purchase bleachers for the football and soccer season, and Pep Band supplies. Top sellers can earn prizes that include retail and gas certificates and zoo memberships.

Be sure to look for the flyer with entree, snack, and dessert selections along with an order form that will be sent home with your student on Feb. 6. Thank you for supporting Red Wheel!

A NOTE FROM THE BOARD

It has been reported earlier that Mr. Koehn has resigned as Administrator of Omaha Christian Academy and that the Board has accepted his resignation. Mr. Koehn's resignation is effective at the end of this academic year. The Board, faculty, staff, and parents greatly appreciate the steady and quality leadership Mr. Koehn continues to provide since he resigned. It is a testimony to his Christian values and professional integrity.

The search process for a Superintendent is well underway. The search is being led by Bob Sweeney, an Association member, grandparent of three OCA students, and a retired business executive. Bob is working for the Board as a volunteer Interim Executive Director of OCA until a Superintendent is hired. Bob previously worked as an Economist for the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Economics Professor of UNO, over 20 years as an executive with the Farm Credit System, and most recently as President and CEO of the AIM Institute here in Omaha. He is a graduate from Iowa State University, Louisiana State University, and earned a PhD in Economics from Georgia State University.

To date, a Search Committee of two faculty: Mr. Nilius & Ms. Kroeker; two Board members: Mike Lewis & Keith Strasser; and two relatively outside members: Dr. Don Benning, a long-time principal in the Omaha Public Schools & Bob Sweeney. The Search Committee is developing necessary documents and specifications required to post the position in early February. Mr. David Bates, Regional Director of the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) will be in Omaha on February 6. Mr. Bates will meet with the Board Chairman, the Search Committee, and the Board in preparation for the launch of the formal search.

This is an important time in the history of OCA. It is a time in which much prayer is needed. All those involved seek your prayer for Mr. Koehn as he makes plans for his future. Pray that God will prepare the heart of the successful candidate to lead OCA. Also, pray for the wisdom and insight for the Search Committee and Board as important decisions are made. Finally, pray for the entire OCA family: parents, faculty, staff, students, and Board, that there will be an environment of encouragement and optimistic expectations about what God will do at OCA.

GATE/CONCESSION/CLEAN-UP WORKERS



Thurs, Feb. 1 @ Grace - G JV/V vs Om. Nation

Gate: 6:40-7:45 PM - Michelle Rodriguez

Concession: 6:50-8:25 - Rik & Debbie Pederson;
- Loren & Lisa Binko

Clean-up: Senior Families and Russ & Linda Gingrich

Friday, Feb. 2 @ Ralston MS - GV&BV vs Prague

Gate: 5:55-8:45 - Lyn & Pat Graves

Concession: 6:00-9:15: Manny & Yolanda Jasso

Clean-up: Junior Families and Rick & Beth Sweeney

HONOR ROLL CORRECTION

Joe Hawk, 9th grade, earned the Silver Honor Roll rather than the Bronze as listed. We apologize for the error.

PART TIME JOB OPENING

Need a part-time job? Love playing with children? We have the job for you. After School Care is looking for a part-time caregiver. The hours are 3:00-5:45 three days a week. You must be at least 19 years of age, responsible, and enjoy children. Call Tammi Colegrove for more information at 515-2267.

ELECTION TIME

The OCA Association will hold elections for 3 seats on the Board of Directors at its February meeting. Board candidates must be members of the OCA Association. The OCA Board asks that you prayerfully consider serving on the board for a 3 year term. If you are interested, stop by the office and pick up a "Prospective Board Member Questionnaire". The Board also asks current Association members to serve on the Board's Nominating Committee. Please contact Steve White if you have any questions, 397-3523.

SCOREBOARD CORNER

Girls Varsity Basketball:

OCA 21 - Prague 44

OCA 23 - Concordia 50

OCA 28 - NE City Lourdes 64

Boys Varsity Basketball:

OCA defeated College View Academy: 53-41

OCA defeated Parkview Christian: 47-46

OCA 49 - NE City Lourdes 55



OCA SPIRIT WEAR

SWEATSHIRT/T-SHIRT/POLO SHIRT ORDER FORM

Attention all OCA parents, students, grandparents, teachers, or anyone who wants to show their OCA spirit.

We will be submitting an order form for more Omaha Christian Academy spirit wear. You may have seen the navy sweatshirts, t-shirts, or embroidered polos at OCA functions. Now is your chance to order. Please submit this order form and your check to the OCA office by **Friday, February 2**. Make checks payable to Omaha Christian Academy. You will be notified when the shirts arrive (approximately two weeks). Questions? Call Jan Schulz, 334-5298.

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

			# of shirts	Cost
Navy Screen Printed Crew Neck Sweatshirt \$20.00	-Adult Sizes	S	_____	_____
		M	_____	_____
		L	_____	_____
		XL	_____	_____
		XXL	_____	_____
		XXXL	_____	_____

Navy Screen Printed Hoodie Sweatshirt \$22.00	-Adult Sizes	S	_____	_____
		M	_____	_____
		L	_____	_____

Screen Printed T-Shirts \$12.00	-Adult Sizes	S	_____	_____
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		L	_____	_____
		XL	_____	_____
		XXL	_____	_____
		XXXL	_____	_____

Navy Embroidered Long Sleeve Polo Shirt \$24.00	-Men's Sizes	S	_____	_____
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		XXL	_____	_____
		XXXL	_____	_____
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XXL	_____	_____		

Navy Embroidered Long Sleeve Crew Sweatshirt - (Youth) \$23.00	- Youth	S(6-8)	_____	_____
		M(10-12)	_____	_____
		L(14-16)	_____	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: _____