


# NEWS & NOTES

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## ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! Making sure to give credit where credit is due, the words below came from a young Zimbabwe, African, pastor, as quoted in "Turning Points" which is the devotional published by the ministry of David Jeremiah. I obtained them through the website www.Crosswalk.com this morning. The words were found in the pastor's personal belongings after he was slain for his faith. These are the words of a young man who acknowledged God.

"I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have the Holy Spirit's power . . . The decision has been made- I'm a disciple of His. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away, or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secure. I'm finished . . with low living, sight walking . . . tamed visions, worldly talking . . .

"I no longer need preeminence, prosperity, position . . . or popularity . . . I now live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, am uplifted by prayer, and I labor with power.

". . . My goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way rough, my companions are few, my Guide reliable, my mission clear . . . I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the enemy, pander at the pool of popularity, or meander in the maze of mediocrity."

"I won't give up, shut up, let up, until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, preached up for the cause of Christ. I am a disciple of Jesus. I must go till He comes, give till I drop, preach till all know, and work till He stops me. And, when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me . . . my banner will be clear."

## WINTER SPORTS MEETING

The winter sports meeting is being held Tuesday, Nov. 7 evening at 7:00 p.m. Athletes and one parent are required to attend. The individual sports will meet first followed by a review of the athletic handbook. A parent who attended the fall sports meeting will not need to stay for the second part of this meeting.



## BOOK FAIR SALES

Thanks to all of you who participated in the Thomas Nelson Book Fair this year. A special thanks to those who helped the teachers with their Wish Lists! Through this Book Fair, OCA earned \$456 worth of products for the library, as well as \$1,367 in cash to purchase additional library books. A special thank you to our Book Fair workers: Mrs. Randall, Kelly Lyle, Sharon Berg, Georgene Lahm, Connie Henkenius, and Diane Jay.

## STUDENT ACTIVITY BOARD ANNOUNCES:

Wednesday is **Crazy 8 Fake an Injury Day!** Go put on your thinking band-aids, and come up with a great idea for the day.

## OCA SCIENCE FAIR NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We continue to look for qualified judges to help judge our projects. If you know of anyone who might be able to help judge during the day please let Mrs. Dommel know.

We are also in need of finances to provide our winning young scientists with appropriate prizes. If you would like to give for this project, please mark "gifts for Middle School Science Fair". Thank you for your interest and help.

*~Mrs. Dommel*

# CALENDAR



## THIS WEEK - A Week

- Nov 7 - Winter Sports Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Nov 8 - Picture Retakes - 8:30 AM
- Nov 9 - Financial Aid Workshop - 7:00 PM
- Nov 10- Elementary Harvest Parties - 2:00 PM
- Nov 11 - Quiz Bowl at Elkhorn - 9:00 AM

## NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Nov 12- HS Band @ Hope Ev. Free Church - 9:30 AM
- HS Band @ Temple Baptist - 6:00 PM
- Nov 13- Winter Sports Practice Begins
- Parent Connection Mtg-Assem. Rm-7:00 PM
- Nov 14- MS Boys BB @ Mead - 6:30 PM
- NFC Vocal Honors @ NE Lutheran - 7:00 PM
- Nov 16- Booster Club Mtg. - 8:00 AM
- Kdg.-3rd grade to Omaha Sym. Orch.-9:45 AM
- Nov 18- MS Boys BB Tourney @ Mead

## LOOKING AHEAD

- Nov 20- NFC One Act Play @ OCA - 3:00-6:00 PM
- MS Boys BB vs Brownell - 6:00/7:00
- Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Nov 23 & 24 - No School: Thanksgiving Break

### WEEK OF 11/6 THRU 11/10

Nov 6	Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Orange Smiles Biscuit Bear Cookie	Tuna Salad Sandwich Green Beans Orange Smiles Biscuit Bear Cookie
Nov 7	Smart Sub Baby Carrots Applesauce Cup Chocolate Chip Cookie	Crispy Chicken Salad Box Baby Carrots Applesauce Cup Chocolate Chip Cookie
Nov 8	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Pears Oatmeal Bar	Meat & Cheese Sandwich Lettuce Salad Pears Oatmeal Bar
Nov 9	Chili w/ Oyster Crackers Celery Sticks Peaches Cinnamon Roll	Salad Box w/ Tuna Salad Celery Sticks Peaches Cinnamon Roll
Nov 10	Chicken Parmesan Buttered Noodles Peas Fresh Red Pear Zebra Brownie	Taco Bowl w/ Lettuce Buttered Noodles Peas Fresh Red Pear Zebra Brownie

### WEEK OF 11/13 THRU 11/17

Nov 13	Hamburger Potato Rounds Cherries Ice Cream Cup	Cottage Cheese & Pears Potato Rounds Cherries Ice Cream Cup
Nov 14	Rotini & Meat Sauce Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Brownie	Salad Box w/ Egg Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Brownie
Nov 15	Hot Dog Baked Beans Tangerine Baked Chips	Cottage Cheese/Pineapple Baked Beans Tangerine Baked Chips
Nov 16	Roasted Turkey Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Cranberry Sauce Pilgrim Apples Hot Roll Pumpkin Cake w/ Whipped Topping	NOCOLDLUNCH

\*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.

### FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP



Education Quest will be providing a Financial Aid and College Planning Workshop at OCA on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 7:00 p.m. It will be held in the assembly room on 2nd floor. This is an excellent opportunity for students and their parents to get valuable information on planning for college, the college admissions process, and options for funding a postsecondary education. There will also be time for questions and answers.

### GUIDANCE CORNER

☞ Southeast Community College is hosting a Career Exploration Day on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the Lincoln Campus. This day is for grades 10-12. Please contact the guidance office if interested in attending. Registration deadline is November 27.

☞ High school students interested in pursuing a career in the healthcare field may benefit from participating in the Omaha Urban AHEC's Healthcare Exploring Program. The Omaha Area Health Education Center is a federally funded, nonprofit organization whose goal is to encourage children and adolescents to enter the health career professions. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 4:00 p.m. in the Private Dining Room at UNMC. There is a \$15 registration fee. To reserve your position please call or email Rahman Strum at 502-1207 or [rstrum@AHEComaha.org](mailto:rstrum@AHEComaha.org).

☞ Metro Community College will be hosting a College Computer Exploring post for high school students interested in a career in the computer field. They will cover topics including Graphic Design, C++ languages, Unix Operating System, AS/400 Computers, Web Development, Visual BASIC and computer career opportunities and education requirements for those careers. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. It will take place at the Metro Fort Omaha Campus in Room 201, Building 8 (library). There is a \$20 registration fee.

☞ The Assistance League of Omaha will be offering an ACT Review Course at Westside High School. The course consists of two classes, as well as an optional third class for the writing portion of the test. All classes must be attended to receive full coverage. The two classes will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 5 and Wednesday, Dec. 6 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The optional third class will be held on Thursday, Dec. 7 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.

#### Calendar:

- Nov. 7 - UNK Rep Visit
- Nov. 8 - Northwestern (Iowa) Rep Visit
- Nov. 9 - Financial Aid Night, Assembly Room, 7:00 p.m.
- Nov. 9 - Late SAT Reg. Deadline for Dec. 2 Test
- Nov. 15- Nebraska Christian College Rep Visit
- Nov. 16- Late ACT Reg. Deadline for Dec. 9 Test
- Nov 20 - Wayne State Rep Visit

### SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKES

School picture retakes are Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 8:30 a.m. If you missed PICTURE DAY, you need to have your picture taken. If there is a problem with your pictures (such as closed eyes), the photographer will retake your picture free. There is a \$2.00 retake fee if the retake request is for personal choice. This includes such items as different clothing, removal of braces, or a different hairstyle. Please bring your unwanted package to the camera on retake day. **Please call, PAN, or stop in the office to sign up for picture retakes.**

### SHOP AT TARGET & EARN MONEY FOR OCA

If you shop using a Target RED card or Target Visa Card, a percentage of ALL purchases will go to OCA. So far to date, Target has given OCA over \$4200!

## VARSITY VOLLEYBALL 2006

The OCA Varsity Volleyball team started the season strong by winning the Boystown triangular against Omaha Nation and Boystown. At the Cedar Bluffs Tournament, the team lost a hard fought match to the host team, Cedar Bluffs. The Eagles turned around and defeated Winnebago before losing to Humphrey-St. Francis to place sixth. Despite playing several other opponents toughly, the Eagles were only able to pull out two more regular season wins to end the season with a 5-14 record.

The blessings of the season were in the things that a win-loss record cannot reflect. The girls did an excellent job of "conducting themselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ" (Philippians 1:27a) as evidenced when the staff at the Westroads Club practice facility made a point of telling Coach Johnson that, "This group of girls is the politest and tidiest group of girls we have had here." (and they have seen a lot of girls for private lessons, camps, and club teams). The girls displayed coachable spirits, volunteered to prepare and lead team devotions, were respectful, and displayed the joy of the Lord.

Team members included: senior co-captains Tabitha Hamilton and Stephanie Thompson; juniors-- Laura Henkenius, Pam Zimmerle, Jackie Johnson, Kristin Lewis, Lexie Bryce, Lauren Strasser, Kara Krumwiede; Sophomores-- Stephanie Hamilton and Michelle Gingrich; freshman-- Maggie Johnson.

This season new school records were set for: Total Digs in a Match-- Pam Zimmerle (32); Total Digs in a Season-- Laura Henkenius (237); and Average Digs per Match-- Laura Henkenius (4.16).

Team stat leaders in kills were Laura Henkenius (116) and Tabitha Hamilton (97). Top Ace servers were Laura Henkenius (35) and Jackie Johnson (30). Blocking leader was Tabitha Hamilton with 75 blocks, 22 of which were stuff blocks. Overall passing leader was Pam Zimmerle with 89.7% passing. Jackie Johnson contributed 91 set assists.

## FROM THE ART CLASSES

Painting: Starts wall mural soon

Woodcrafts: Continues working on model cars

Ceramics: Finishing sculptures and will begin glazing pottery recently fired

Needed: Old Frying Pan or Hot Plate

Bright Color Latex or Enamel Paint  
(Turquoise, Orange, Bright Green)

Surplus only, please do not buy any.

Thanks, *Mr. Dods*



## JV VOLLEYBALL 2006

The OCA Junior Varsity Volleyball team worked to build skills and gain understanding of the game. Over the course of the season the team saw improvements in their ability to set up the ball for a spike attempt. The highlight of the season was their win over Brownell-Talbot.

JV members included: Kara Krumwiede, Lauren Strasser, Michelle Gingrich, Janice Ivester, Evie Rodriguez, Alesia Perkins, Katy Schulz, Kathryn White, Emily Lovgren, Allison Rozema, Maggie Johnson, and Marissa Lindsey.

Evie Rodriguez led the team serving efforts with 11 aces for the season. Kara Krumwiede had 7 kills and Allison Rozema had 6 kills.

## IT'S A BOY!



Congratulations to Curt and Megan Isaacson on the birth of their son, Caeden Richard. He was born Friday, Nov. 3rd. He weighs 7 lbs. 7 oz.

## OCA RESIDENT FINDS NEW HOME

Baby Jaws, a silver arowana fish, has spent the last four years living in the aquarium in Mr. Lovgren's classroom. During that time he grew from about 6 inches to about 22 inches in length. His appetite was large, and he had nearly perfected the art of throwing large quantities of water out of the tank by strategically swishing his rear fin (Mr. Koehn will attest to this ability). On occasion, Jaws was quite an accurate shot.

The Henry Doorly Zoo was interested in providing a new home for Jaws, and he is now living in a pond in the South America section of the Lied Jungle. After initially jumping out of the pond for a try at life on land, Jaws seems to have decided that the pond is a better alternative. If you wish to see the OCA arowana, it is in the pond on the left hand side of the bridge you cross as you enter the floor of the Lied Jungle.

## REMINDER

**Youth Sports K-6 Basketball Sign-ups Tuesday**

**Time:** 3:15-5:45 p.m.

**Cost:** \$51.00

**Season:** 1/13/07 - 3/10/07

**Who:** K-6th Grades, Boys & Girls (K may be Co-Ed)

**Need:** Signed registration form (attached on the News & Notes last week, or is currently available on the internet at: [www.omahachristianacademy.com](http://www.omahachristianacademy.com), then click on the "Youth Sports" link on the left, and look for the "Basketball" and click on it for a form. It is also available on Sycamore Education.

