

News & Notes

December 21, 2007

From the Director

There is no better time of year for us all to remind ourselves that there is an unfinished work in this broken world. Christmas is **THE ANSWER** to all the world's woes. It is that **Babe** who was born to die who can set all men free from the bondage of sin. The **KEY** for this to happen lies in our hands – yours and mine. **WE** must tell the world of the **GOOD NEWS** that the angels proclaimed for **ALL PEOPLE** on that lonely Judean hillside so many years ago.

From our family to yours, we want to wish you a Christmas filled with Christ's presence, happiness, peace and laughter and a New Year filled with challenging rewards as we stretch forth in the good work to which God has called us all!

With love and thankfulness,

Tim Thompson

Director

Praise & Prayer

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Let me begin by expressing my sincere gratitude to the entire OCA family for your support of the building project. In the past year, OCA's building fund – including cash, pledges and employer matching funds – has recorded over \$800,000! God has truly blessed OCA financially in these past twelve months.

Just this week, over \$100,000 was received for the building project! God IS blessing – please keep praying for His continued provision. To purchase the second building the bank requires an additional \$600,000 in cash. There are activities and meetings underway which have the potential to generate that much money and more. Please pray for these meetings and that others can be scheduled – and that those with whom we meet will be open to the challenge of supporting quality Chris-

tian education at OCA.

A few days ago a board member reminded me of George Müller. He never asked people for money, but prayed faithfully and consistently and the Lord provided faithfully. I personally don't know many people with great wealth, but I do know my Heavenly Father, who is able to provide abundantly.

Finally, let me express my appreciation to Mr. Thompson, Mr. Bentley, the entire faculty and staff of OCA, and those on the school board. It has been a great blessing to work with each of you during 2007! I look forward to even greater things in 2008!

I wish you all a Merry Christmas!

Keith Strasser
School Board president

School Calendar

Dec. 24-Jan. 4	Christmas Break
Dec. 28	V G BB Tournament @ Mead - 1:00
Dec. 28	V B BB Tournament @ Mead - 6:15
Dec. 29	V G& B BB Tournament @ Mead
Jan. 3	JV B BB vs Weeping Water @ Grace U. - 6:15 pm
Jan. 3	V G BB vs Weeping Water @ Grace U. - 8:00 pm
Jan. 5	V G BB/JV & V BB vs Lewiston @ Grace University - 3:00/4:45/6:15 pm
Jan. 7	Classes Resume - 2nd Semester Begins
Jan. 8	JV B BB/V G&B BB @ Cedar Bluffs 4:30/6:00/7:30 pm
Jan. 11	JV B BB/V G&B BB @ Brownell 4:30/6:00/7:30 pm
Jan. 12	JV B BB/V G&B BB @ NE Lutheran - 4:00/5:45/7:30 pm
Jan. 14	Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
Jan. 17	V G BB vs Boystown @ Grace U. - 7:00 pm
Jan. 18	Booster Club Meeting - 8:00 am
Jan. 18	Science Fair - 7:00 pm
Jan. 19	NFC G&B BB Tournament @ Prague
Jan. 21	NFC G BB Tournament @ Prague
Jan. 22	NFC B BB Tournament @ Prague
Jan. 24	NFC G&B BB Tournament @ Prague
Jan. 25	JV B BB/V G&B BB vs Lourdes - 5:00/6:30/8:00 pm - Location TBA

WITH SYMPATHY

On behalf of the entire OCA family, we would like to express our most sincere condolences to Jeremiah Genovesi, a ninth grade student here at OCA, and his sister Jolene on the loss of their mother. Gayle Genovesi passed away on Monday, December 17. Please pray for Jeremiah, Jolene and other family members in the days ahead.

OCA JUNIOR PLACES HIGH IN BIBLE QUIZZING EVENT

Congratulations to OCA junior Rachel Maurer! Rachel placed 7th out of 250 participants at a recent Bible quizzing event in St. Louis sponsored by Nazarene Youth International. Rachel's memorization and knowledge of the books of Galatians and Ephesians earned her the honor. In addition, Rachel's team came in 6th out of 44 teams that participated from all over the United States. Rachel has been "quizzing" for five years and also has memorized Romans and Acts. She is now working on Philipians.

Have You Received Your Magazines Yet?

Everyone who has ordered magazines from the school magazine sale should be receiving their magazines by now (unless you are among the 15 people that were contacted with address errors.) If you have not received your magazine yet, please call QSP Customer Service at 1-800-678-2673, M-F 7:00 am-6:00 pm CST to check the status of your order. Customer Service will be able to tell you when the first issue is expected to ship to you. Sometimes magazines have the wrong address, so please call and check on your order if you have not received a magazine yet. If there is a magazine you wish you had ordered, you may do so online. Go to www.qsp.com and order it. You may designate "Omaha Christian Academy" to have OCA receive 40% of the sale.

CALENDAR CHANGES

March 13-14 will be normal school days
Spring Break will be Friday, March 21-Friday, March 28



SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED

The school office will be closed during Christmas vacation. ***MERRY CHRISTMAS!***



OCA SPELLING BEE

WEDNESDAY

JANUARY 9, 2008

2nd Floor Activity Room



SCHEDULE

8:30 am - 3rd & 4th grade

9:15 am - 1st & 2nd Grade

10:00 am - 7th & 8th Grade

12:00 pm - 5th & 6th Grade

Parents & Grandparents are welcome!

Please take note of the times of each Bee. Once the competition begins for that grade level, no one will be allowed to enter the room.

GATE/CONCESSION/CLEAN-UP

Thursday, Jan. 3 at Grace U. vs Weeping Water

JV Boys - 6:15 pm

Varsity Girls - 8:00 pm

Gate: 5:45-8:30 pm - Kristy Reinholz

Concessions: 6:00-9:00 pm - Russ & Linda Gingerich

Clean-up: Senior Families

Saturday, January 5 at Grace U. vs Lewiston

V Girls - 3:00; JV Boys - 4:45; V Boys - 6:15

Gate: 2:45-5:30: Brian & Georgene Lahm

5:30-8:00: Roger & Stella Lim

Concessions: 3:00-5:30 - John & Lorri Parsons and Skip & Kathy Nilius

5:30-7:30 pm - Brad & Deanne Jenkins and Mitch & Marcia Warnke

Clean-up: Kent & Kelley Wirges & Senior Families

School Lunch Menu

	Entree	Sides/Dessert
Jan. 7	HOT—Chicken Patty on a Bun COLD—Tuna Sandwich on Whole Wheat Bread	Green Beans Apple Bear Cookie
Jan. 8	HOT—Meatloaf COLD—Crispy Chicken Salad Box	Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Fresh Seasonal Fruit Dinner Roll Brownie
Jan. 9	HOT—Pizza Hut Pizza COLD—Salad Box w/ Tuna	Lettuce Salad Mixed Fruit Sugar Cookie
Jan. 10	HOT—Macaroni & Cheese COLD—Salad Box w/ Shredded Cheese & Egg	Peas Banana Soft Pretzel Jell-O Cake
Jan. 11	HOT—Hot Dog on a Bun COLD—Bologna & Cheese Rollup	Baby Carrots Applesauce Rice Krispy Treat

Students may choose yogurt & cheese stick as a main dish alternative.

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.45(K-4); \$2.60 (5-12); \$1.00 Extra Entrees

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

QUIZ BOWL RESCHEDULED

The Elkhorn Quiz Bowl scheduled for December 15 was postponed due to weather. It has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 5th at 8:00 am.

Cub Scout Corner

Mark your calendars for the following events:

December 20 - Den Meetings

December 27 - Pack Meetings

January 3 - Den Meetings

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Christmas

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IMPORTANT

Please check Sycamore Education for the most up to date information regarding cancellations of any school events due to inclement weather.



Guidance Corner

- ⇒ High school students interested in a career in meteorology may want to participate in the Weather Explorer Post #999 Exploring Program. The first meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 20 starting at 7:00 pm at the Boy Scouts of America Building (1/2 mile West of 120th on Maple Rd.). There is a \$35 registration fee. If interested in attending please RSVP to Suzie Skaff at sskaff@mac-bsa.org or call her at 431-9272.
- ⇒ Students currently in grades 8th-11th have the opportunity to participate in UNL's 2008 Big Red Summer Academic Camps. The camps will be held on the UNL campus the week of June 15-20. The following camps will be available: Child Development, Culinary

- Arts, Culinary, Dance, Food Molecular Biology, Golf, Landscape Design, Movie Making, Quilt Design, Spiders, Theatre, Unicameral Youth Conference (June 8-11), Web Design and Animation. For more information and registration deadlines and fees go to the web address: bigredcamps.unl.edu
- ⇒ Seniors interested in pursuing art at the college level may be eligible for scholarship opportunities at Wayne State College. Contact the guidance office for more information.
- ⇒ High school students interested in a career in the health care industry may want to participate in Children's Hospital Exploring Post. The kick-off meeting is on Jan. 16 with a

one hour gathering in the Glow Auditorium at Children's Hospital. The post is limited to 50 participants. There is a \$20 registration fee. If interested in participating please contact Suzie Skaff by email (sskaff@mac-bsa.org) with a subject line: Children's Hospital) or call her at 431-9272.

Calendar:

- Dec. 26 - SAT Registration Deadline for Jan. 26 Test
- Jan. 4 - ACT Registration Deadline for Jan. 26 Test
- Jan. 4 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for Jan. 26 Test
- Jan. 8 - Washburn University Rep Visit
- Jan. 18 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for Feb. 9 Test



OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
P R E S E N T S

A Valentine Celebration!

February 12, 2008 at
the Union Pacific Center
at 14th Street and Douglas
in downtown Omaha

🍷 Doors open at 5:00pm

🍷 Dining 5:15pm to 6:15pm
Catering provided by
Guckenheimer

🍷 Concert with Chapmans
6:30pm to 9:30pm

Tickets are \$50 per person
and are available through
Tuesday, February 5, 2008

Call **(402) 399-9565**

For more information go to
www.omahachristianacademy.com

An evening with Steve & Annie Chapman!

With over twenty-five years of ministering through music, Steve and Annie Chapman continue to hold the family as the theme of their lyrics. Using songs from numerous recordings ranging in subjects from marriage to the challenges of parenting, the Chapmans present music and stories that are designed to encourage all who attend. Steve and Annie have made their home in the Nashville, Tennessee area since their marriage in 1975 and have two grown children.

Steve and Annie are also experienced and effective marriage seminar presenters. Their music and stories, video clips and unforgettable visual props make plain the marriage building truths from the Scriptures.

