

OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY NEWS & NOTES

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ISSUE 7

FROM THE DIRECTOR



Changes are a-foot for OCA's *News & Notes*. We want to communicate with parents, staff and students in the most effective way and also in a way that maximizes resources for OCA.

Beginning next week (the week of October 1), *News & Notes* will be published on Fridays of each week instead of Mondays. So, *News & Notes* will go out on Friday, October 5 and each Friday thereafter.

For the week of October 1 only *News & Notes* will go out on both Monday and Friday to accomodate both the "old" schedule and the "new" schedule.

The deadline for submitting announcements for each week's *News & Notes* will be Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m.

Beginning Friday, November 2 *News & Notes* will be sent out via e-mail and will be available on Sycamore Education. Hard copies will be sent home ONLY for those families who have requested it. If you want a hard copy, please send a note to Kerri Tulsie or call her at the school office.

**Enjoy Spirit Week and Homecoming this Friday!
GO EAGLES!!**

~Tim Thompson
Executive Director

SEE YOU AT THE POLE



See You At The Pole is THIS Wednesday, September 26. Please be there at 7:30 a.m. for prayer and worship. All students K-12 are invited. Parents and teachers are welcome to attend. Donuts and juice will be provided after we pray.

VOLLEYBALL SENIOR NIGHT



Volleyball Senior Night is Thursday, September 27 at Grace University when OCA takes on Collegeview. Come and cheer the Lady Eagles on to victory!

ATTENTION PARENTS

We want to make you aware of a BIG need in our After School Care Program. We have been blessed to have Mrs. Stone help out on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, unfortunately she will be with us only through the month of September. As of today, I have not been able to locate anyone to work in the After School Care Program long-term. The position is for Monday-Friday, 3:00-5:45 p.m. We will continue searching for an employee throughout the month of September. If an employee is not found, we will likely be forced to close our After School Care Program. Please be in prayer with us concerning this situation. And, please, if you know anyone who may be interested in part-time employment let me know. We very much want to continue offering After School Care.

~Tammi Colegrove, Childcare Director

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - A Week

- Sept 24 - JV FB vs Brownell - 4:00 PM
- Sept 25 - C/JV/V VB @ DC West - 5:00/6:00/7:00 PM
- Sept 27 - Moms In Touch - 8:30-9:30 AM
 - JV/V VB vs Collegeview @ Grace - 6:30/7:30
- Sept 28 - FB vs Mead - 4:00 PM - HOMECOMING
- Sept 29 - VB vs Concondia - 10:00 AM @ Grace U
 - VB vs NE Lutheran - 12:00 PM @ Grace U

NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Oct 1 - MS VB vs ISD - 3:30 PM
 - JV FB @ Cedar Bluffs - 6:00 PM
- Oct 2 - MS FB vs Parkview - 4:00 PM
 - JV/V VB @ Prague - 6:30/7:30 PM
- Oct 3 - PLAN Test for 10th grade - 8:00 AM
- Oct 4 - JV/V VB @ Winnebago 6:00/7:00 PM
- Oct 5 - V FB @ Cedar Bluffs - 6:30 PM
- Oct 6 - MS VB Tourney @ Scribner - TBA
 - JV VB Tourney @ Mead - TBA

LOOKING AHEAD

- Oct 8 - Drama 2&3 - Conference - Doane - 7:15 AM
 - C VB @ ISD - 4:00 PM
 - Parent Connection Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Oct 9 - K-3rd grade to Omaha Symphony - 9:45 AM
 - JV FB vs ISD - 4:00 PM
 - MS FB @ Cedar Bluffs - 5:00 PM
 - JV/V VB @ Omaha Nation - 6:15/7:30 PM
- Oct 11 - MS VB @ Heartland Christian - 4:30 PM
- Oct 12 - V FB @ Brownell - 4:00 PM

WEEK OF 9/24 THRU 9/28

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| Sep 24 | Chick. Littles on Buns Baby Carrots Mini Cherries Elf Grahams | Deli Sandwich Baby Carrots Mini Cherries Elf Grahams |
| Sep 25 | BBQ Ribs on a Bun Ranch Beans Melon Dirt Cake | Salad Box w/ Tuna Sal. Ranch Beans Melon Dirt Cake |
| Sep 26 | Pasta Bake Cucumber/Tomatoe Sal. Mixed Fruit Breadstick Zebra Brownie | Tuna Salad Sandwich Cucumber/Tomatoe Sal. Mixed Fruit Breadstick Zebra Brownie |
| Sep 27 | Teriyaki Chicken w/ Chow Mein Noodles Over Rice Snow Peas Pineapple Fluff Bear Cookie | Tomatoe Stuffed w/ Tuna Salad Snow Peas Pineapple Fluff Fortune Cookie |
| Sep 28 | Ham Slice with Pineapple Glaze Autumn Crisp Grapes Dinner Roll Chocolate Chip Muffin Squares | Oriental Chicken Salad Box Autumn Crisp Grapes Dinner Roll Chocolate Chip Muffin Squares |

WEEK OF 10/1 THRU 10/5

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| Oct 1 | Sloppy Joes on a Bun Potato Rounds Apple Wedges Ice Cream Cup | Cot. Che. & Jelly Sand. Potato Rounds Apple Wedges Ice Cream Cup |
| Oct 2 | Fettuccini Alfredo w/ Chicken Filet Steamed Broccoli Cherries Chocolate Cake | Turkey & Cheese Sand. Steamed Broccoli Cherries Chocolate Cake |
| Oct 3 | Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Peaches School Fuel | Chef Salad Box Peaches School Fuel |
| Oct 4 | Enchilada Casserole Corn Kiwi Snicker Doodle | Cottage Cheese/Fruit Corn Kiwi Snicker Doodle |
| Oct 5 | Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Fresh Seasonal Fruit Toll House Cookie Bar | Taco Salad Box Fresh Seasonal Fruit Toll House Cookie Bar |

*Students may choose yogurt & cheesestick 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.

ATTENTION ALL K-4 PARENTS

We are looking for parents who would like to volunteer once a month as a lunch parent, so the teacher's can enjoy their lunch. What does this include? Being "in charge" for 20 minutes while they eat their lunch. You may be asked to open a container, help at the microwave, etc. Some of you have already volunteered for Wednesday. Thank you for that! The teachers have mentioned they appreciate it greatly! So why not expand and give them more time off at lunch. The K-4 lunch period is 11:55-12:20 and on Thursday, 12:15-12:40 p.m. So if you can help one day a month (or more), please contact Julie Richards at 573-1708. You can also PAN me. Thank you.

QUIZ BOWL TEAM FORMING SOON

The 2007-2008 Quiz Bowl Team will be forming soon. Quiz Bowl team members compete throughout the school year at area high schools and universities. The subjects covered can include: history, art, geography, math, current events, grammar, literature, science and anything else that can be asked in a question. A player does not need to be good in all areas in order to be an asset to the team. If you are an interested high school student, you must attend an informational meeting on Thursday, September 27th at 7:30 a.m. in Mrs. Arant's room on second floor. If you have a conflict and cannot attend the meeting - see Mrs. Arant before the 27th.



ATTENTION PARENTS



When dropping off and picking up your child(ren) before and after school, please pull up along the curb to let your child(ren) out/in the car. Also, do not leave your car unattended curbside or park your car in the crosswalk. If you need to leave your vehicle please park in a designated parking spot. Parent volunteers are working with safety patrol to insure our students' safety. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

EMAIL LIST



Omaha Christian Academy is in the process of adding new email addresses to the families email list. Once added to this list you will receive the *News & Notes* by email each week, as well as emails when there are school closings, change in time or location of athletic events, etc. If you would like to add an email address to the list, for example a work email address, or if your email address has changed, please call or email Kerri Tulsie at kerri.tulsie@omahachristianacademy.com.

GUIDANCE CORNER

☞ Nebraska Methodist College will be hosting two Senior Visit Days. They will take place on Friday, October 19 and Friday, November 2 from 1:00-3:30 p.m. If interested in attending, RSVP to Admissions at 354-7200.

☞ Any high school student interested in architecture, engineering, interior design and graphic design may want to participate in the HDR Explorers Post. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 2 at 6:30 p.m. It will be held in the HDR building, 8404 Indian Hills Drive. If you plan to attend, contact John Savage at John.Savage@hdrinc.com or call Bob Guinn at 399-4831 between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. on Weekdays.

☞ Nebraska Wesleyan will be hosting several Prairie Wolf Days for high school seniors. The days are as follows: Saturday, October 6, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; Friday, October 26, 12:00-3:00 p.m.; Saturday, November 10, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; and Friday, November 16, 12:00-3:00 p.m. To RSVP, write or call the Admissions Office at 800-541-3818, ext 2218 or admissions@nebrwesleyan.edu.

☞ The Assistance League of Omaha is offering an ACT Review Course at Westside High School. The course consists of two sessions with an optional third session for the writing portion of the test. The first session will be held on Monday, October 22 or Tuesday, October 23 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The second session will be held on Thursday, October 25 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The optional third session will be held on Thursday, October 25 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. There is a \$30 fee for two sessions and \$40 for all three sessions. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.

Calendar:

- Sep 25: Northwestern College (Minnesota) Rep Visit
- Oct 1: Nebraska Wesleyan Rep Visit
- Oct 3: Plan Testing for 10th Grade
- Oct 3: Grace University Rep Visit
- Oct 5: Late ACT Registration Deadline for Oct 27 Test
- Oct 9: Army Rep Visit
- Oct 10: Peru State Rep Visit
- Oct 15: College of St. Mary Rep Visit
- Oct 17: PSAT Testing for 11th Grade
- Oct 24: UNL Rep Visit



CUB SCOUT CORNER

Cub Scouts, MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these dates in September:

September 27: Raingutter Regatta

September 29: Popcorn Blitz Day

New boys are welcome! Call 572-7672 for info.

THIS WEEK IS SPIRIT WEEK FOR HOMECOMING

This week is Spirit Week for Homecoming. The days will be as follows:

Today: Pajama Day

Tue, Sept. 25: Hollywood Day

Wed, Sept 26: Thrift Store Day/Clash Day

Thur, Sept 27: Blast From the Past Day

Fri, Sept 28: Shorts and (not or) OCA Apparel Day

Have fun dressing for these days, and keep the dress code in mind.

Here is a list of activities associated with Homecoming

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| 9/26 | 7:30-7:50 a.m. See You At The Pole 1:00 p.m. Homecoming dinner ticket sales end |
| 9/28 | 8:00 a.m. Run-throughs are judged in the cafeteria 4:00 p.m. Homecoming Football Game! |
| 9/29 | 6:30 p.m. Homecoming Dinner at downtown Spaghetti Works 8:00-11:00 p.m.- After party @ "Grandpa Sweeney's Farm" which is located on highway 133, the first house east of County Road P30 (just outside of Blair). There will be two school vans taking students from Spaghetti Works to Grandpa's Farm. There are 16 spaces, with freshman and sophomores getting priority. Permission forms and directions are available from Mr. Lovgren, and parents will need to pick their children up from the after party. |

OCA FAMILIES

KoAm Education Alliance is looking for a new host family for one of our Korean exchange students. SoJin Yoon is enrolled at OCA in the 6th grade and would like to stay at OCA. We have to find a host family or she may have to return to Seoul. She is a wonderful young lady who will be a warm addition to your family. If you believe you can help in this matter, please contact me immediately so that I can come to your home and speak with you in greater detail.

Mison Cowell, Omaha Area Coordinator

KoAm Education Alliance

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ONE MORE DAY TO ORDER SPIRIT WEAR!

Be sure to turn in your order forms for the new OCA Spirit Wear first thing **Tuesday morning, September 25**. Visit OCA's website, www.omahachristianacademy.com and click on "Spirit Wear" to view the items available (not shown are the large and small duffle bags). Autumn's chill will soon be felt, making this a great time to order a new hoodie for yourself or as a Christmas or Adopt-A-Teacher gift. Order forms can be downloaded from the site, or pick up one in the office.

GATE/CONCESSION/CLEAN-UP WORKERS

Football Games

Friday, September 28 vs Mead - HOMECOMING

Gate: 3:30 p.m. - Elissa Vilter & Kelly Lyle

Concessions: 3:45 p.m. - Vern Arndt, Dawn Arant & Deanne Jenkins

Grill: 3:45 p.m. - Brad Jenkins

Clean-Up: Tim & Kimber McLean & Junior Families

Tuesday, October 9: JV FB vs ISD

Gate: 3:30 p.m. - Roberta Maurer

Concessions: 3:45 - Manny & Yolanda Jasso, Ari Berg

Clean-Up: Stan & Connie Manus & Freshman Families

Volleyball Games

Thurs., Sept. 27 vs Collegeview @ Grace - Senior Night

Gate: 6:00 PM - Sharon Saltzman

Clean-Up: Cliff & Kerri Tulsie



"HANG OUT AT GODFATHERS!"

Come hang out with the football team after their home games at Godfathers on 75th and Pacific.

This is a great time for fellowship with OCA families. Godfathers is giving 10% back to the school. Cost of the buffet is \$6.49 which includes a beverage. Cost for children 10 and under will be 50 cents per age. Any questions, contact Julie Richards.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

OCA participates in Box Tops for Education and several other 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 Label's for Education~ Please save only UPC Code or Lid as this really saves time when 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 Top 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, September 10-Monday, December 31. OCA will receive \$1.00 for every \$200 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 of the school office.

Cambell's~ For Cambell'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.

Place your labels/boxtops/receipts/UPC's in the collection boxes outside the school 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.