

News & Notes

From the Director

October 3, 2008

I recently ran across an article written by Dr. Paul Kienel, one of the founders of the Association of Christian Schools International. The title caught my attention and caused me to ponder the question, "What will matter one hundred years from now?" I'm convinced that much of what we judge to be important, urgent or necessary now, will not matter at all in 100 years.

Dr. Kienel writes, "A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in or the kind of car I drove. **But the world may be a different place because I was important in the life of a child.**" It DOES matter what kind of person we are – it may not matter whether that certain task is finished today!

Dr. Kienel goes on to say, "It has been my observation that those individuals whom God chooses for

positions of leadership have had the benefit of someone in their childhood who became a close advisor and a major source of inspiration. These adult advisors are often parents, teachers and pastors. They become effective shapers and molders of children and young people when they formally and informally communicate their values and offer encouragement in wide variety of ways."

"If a child is to keep his inborn sense of wonder...he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement and mystery of the world we live in." So, you want to "matter" 100 years from now – impact a child's life now! You'll be touching tomorrow with love and grace today!

Tim Thompson, Director

OCA STUDENT, ALUMNI & FAMILY GATHERING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3 - 7:30-9:30 pm at Evangelical Bible Church

ALMOST ACROSTIC

Keegan Kalisch, Zach Lahm & Steven Hamilton

Classes of 2009, 2010, 2012

RACHAEL MEANS

Class of 1997

**Master of Music Cello Performances from UNO; Member, Des Moines Symphony;
substitutes with Omaha and Lincoln Symphonies**

Join us for an OCA reunion!

Donations at the door (Proceeds to Worship Team Sound Equipment)

Dessert & Drinks available! (Proceeds to OCA Band)

School Calendar	
Oct. 3	FB vs Mead - 4:00 pm - Homecoming
Oct. 3	OCA Student, Alumni, & Family Event 7:30-9:30 pm @ Evangelical Bible Church
Oct. 4	VB Triangular @ Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church, 15005 Q St. - 10:00/11:00
Oct. 4	Homecoming Dinner @ Caniglia's Venice Inn - 6:30 pm
Oct. 6	JV FB vs Cedar Bluffs - 4:00 pm
Oct. 6	C Team VB @ ISD - 5:30 pm
Oct. 7	MS FB vs Parkview - 4:00 pm
Oct. 7	JV/V VB vs Prague @ Grace U - 6:30/7:30
Oct. 8	PLAN Test - 10th Grade - 8:00 am
Oct. 9	1st grade to Platte River State Park & Aksarban Aquarium - 9:00 am
Oct. 9	JV/V VB vs Winnebago @ College of St. Mary's - 6:00/7:00 pm
Oct. 10	FB @ Conestoga, 8404 42nd Street, Murray, NE 68409 - 7:00 pm
Oct. 11	MS VB Tournament @ Scribner-Snyder
Oct. 11	JV VB Tournament @ Mead
Oct. 13	JV FB @ ISD - 4:00 pm
Oct. 14	4th grade to Lewis & Clark - 11:00 am
Oct. 14	MS FB vs Cedar Bluffs - 4:00 pm
Oct. 14	MS VB vs Lightning @ Westroads Club - 4:30 pm
Oct. 14	JV/V VB @ Cedar Bluffs - 5:30/6:30 pm
Oct. 15-17	No School - Teacher In-service
Oct. 16	JV/V VB @ College View - 6:30/7:30 pm
Oct. 17	FB @ Johnson Brock - 7:00 pm
Oct. 20	No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct. 21	VB NFC Tournament
Oct. 22	Kdg. to Bellevue Berry Farm - 12:45 pm
Oct. 23	VB NFC Tournament @ NE Lutheran
Oct. 24	Preschool Grandparent's Day - 10:00 am

Monday is Magazine Turn-Day!

The magazine sale is coming to a close. We have had over 100 internet orders and over 240 orders turned in already. That is just a start. Many of you are working hard to help OCA with this fundraiser. This weekend please remember to get those orders finished and ready to turn in on Monday! Monday is the last turn-in day and all orders turned in will receive 2 tickets for the prize store. **Also, magazines are still needed for the library. A list of titles that need to be renewed is available in the school office. Donating a magazine to the library is a great way to get an extra sale to qualify for the Limo/Pizza Lunch! Please stop by the office and sign-up for the magazine you would like to donate to the library. Thank you for all your help in making this fundraiser a success!**

BLUE & GOLD NIGHT Thursday, October 9 JV/V Volleyball Games At College of St. Marys 6:00/7:00 pm

Eagle Fans we need YOU! Booster Club has games and activities planned to make a fun evening for the whole family! Wear your Navy Blue shirts and you will be eligible to win a prize!

**CHEER ON OUR
LADY EAGLES!**



**Omaha Christian Academy
Family Directories
will be sent home with students
on Monday, October 6.**

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Monday, October 20th from 12:00 noon—8:00 pm. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend these conferences. Report cards will be given out at the conferences.

K-5th grade: Please call the school office to schedule a 15 minute conference with your child's teacher.

6th-12th grade: These conferences will be held in each teacher's classroom on a first come, first serve basis. These conferences will be limited to 10 minutes in length.

QUIZ BOWL

The OCA High School Quiz Bowl team for the 2008-2009 season will be forming soon. An informational meeting will be held Oct. 10 in room 310 at 7:40 AM. Quiz Bowl competitions cover a wide range of materials in all subject matters. You do not need to be an expert in each area, but students should be prepared to learn new material. You **MUST** attend this meeting if you are interested in joining the team. If you cannot attend you **MUST** speak to Mrs. Arant (second floor, 3rd grade) **BEFORE** the 10th. Coming to the meeting does not commit you to the team, but it does give you a great opportunity to see what Quiz Bowl is all about and ask any questions you might have.

Adopt a Teacher/Staff Member

Parents, we have a unique opportunity to encourage the teachers and staff at OCA through an encouragement ministry called "Adopt A Teacher / Staff Member. I am in need of 6 teachers/staff members to be adopted for the school year. What this involves is sending each person anonymous notes of encouragement and special treats for his/her birthday and holidays. If you are willing to serve in this ministry, please contact me at 932-1006 or email at 5vilters@cox.net.

Blessings, *Elissa Vilter*

GOT PICTURES?

Share them with your yearbook staff!



Have you taken pictures of your children at school events you would be willing to share with the yearbook staff? Please send them to use via the Jostens image share website.

Follow these simple steps.

1. Go to the website: <http://images.jostens.com>
2. Then enter the user id: 1202718 and the password: goeagles.
3. When in the Jostens site, be sure to first read and check the terms and conditions box.
4. Then click on the browse button to begin uploading pictures from your computer. It will ask you to submit your name and email address. This will be helpful in case we have questions.
5. Use the description box to provide the names of the students and the event.
6. Please PAN or email us a note so we can look for your images and make sure they are uploaded.

If you only have photo prints, please send them to Mrs. Tulsie in the office or leave them in Mrs. Rozema's box in the staff lounge. We will get them scanned, uploaded and return the prints to you if you desire. We are particularly interested in elementary and middle school pictures. Please send us pictures of field trips, youth sports and middle school sports pictures. The kindergarten and 1st grade had back to school events we would like to include on their class page. Questions, contact Kerri Tulsie in the office or Pam Rozema at home, 292-6058.

BOOSTER CLUB

Booster Club will be meeting Friday, October 10 in the OCA cafeteria.

Guidance Corner

- ⇒ Southeast Community College will be hosting a Transportation Career Day at their Milford Campus on Wednesday, Nov. 5 from 8:30 am - 2:15 pm. To register or for more information call 1-800-933-7223, ext. 8331. Registration deadline is Oct. 24.
 - ⇒ Southeast Community College will be hosting a Women in Tech Day at their Milford Campus on Wednesday, Oct. 22. They will be offering scholarships to participants who submit test scores and an application for admission by Dec. 31. RSVP by fax at 402-761-8439, email mhostetler@southeast.edu, or online at www.southeast.edu and click on Events. Registration deadline is Oct. 8.
 - ⇒ BryanLGH College of Health Sciences will be hosting their fall Exploration Day on Saturday, Oct. 11 at 9:00 am. RSVP by calling 800-742-7844, ext. 18697.
 - ⇒ Family Fun Center and Mid City Bank are offering a \$1,000 scholarship to 3 student winners in the metro area. One will be awarded to a High School student, one to a Middle School student and one to an Elementary student. The contestants will compete in a metro wide art competition within their school to create the best drawing/graphic of the new Family Fun Center layout opening on Jan. 1, 2009. Four winners will be picked by the Principal and/or Art Teacher of every school by Dec. 1, 2008. These four winners will win prizes from Mid City Bank and the Family Fun Center as well as be entered to compete for the \$1,000 scholarships. The official scholarship contest rules can be found at www.familyfuncenter.net/scholarship.
 - ⇒ The Nebraska Academy of Sciences sponsors a number of scholarships each year for High School seniors planning to attend Colleges or Universities in the State of Nebraska. The scholarships offered require a scholarship application summary as well as supporting information in the form of essays, transcripts, testimonial letters from 2-3 supervisors or teachers, lists of activities and/or related accomplishments. Scholarships vary from \$100 to \$1,000. All the information is detailed on their website, neacadsci.org/Info/Scholarship.thm. Scholarship applications are due in the Academy office with a postmark deadline of March 1, 2009.
 - ⇒ The AXA Foundation offers \$10,000 scholarships to 52 students (one in each state, Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico), along with \$15,000 additional scholarship to 10 national recipients chosen from the pool of 52 state winners. The national scholarship winners will also be offered internships at AXA offices. To qualify, you must demonstrate ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family and community and ability to succeed in college. Go to www.axa-achievement.com to learn more about all of their scholarship programs. Apply by Dec. 15.
 - ⇒ UNO will be hosting a Fall Open House on Sunday, Oct. 26 from 1-4 pm. For more information go to www.pki.nebraska.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 take place on Monday, Oct. 20 or Tuesday, Oct. 21 from 6:30-9:30 pm. The second session will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 22 or Thursday, Oct. 23 from 6:30-9:30 pm. The optional third session will be on Thursday, Oct. 23 from 6:30-8:30 pm. There is a \$30 fee for two sessions and \$40 for all three sessions. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.
- Calendar:**
- Oct. 3 - Late ACT Reg. Deadline for Oct. 25 Test
 - Oct. 8 - PLAN Test for 10th grade
 - Oct. 10 - Late SAT Reg. Deadline for Nov. 1 Test
 - Oct. 21 - Dana College Rep Visit
 - Oct. 23 - Midland College Rep Visit
 - Oct. 29 - PSAT Test for 11th grade
 - Oct. 29 - Metro Community College Rep Visit
- Deanne Jenkins
Guidance Counselor
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Gate/Concessions/Clean-up

Football

Monday, October 6:

Gate: Pam Adams & Connie Henkenius

Concessions: Dave Kersey

Clean-up: Olivers & Freshman Families



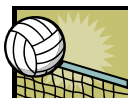
Volleyball

Tuesday, October 7 at Grace:

Gate: Jan Schulz

Concessions: Ensemble

Clean-up: Arndt Family & Juniors



Thursday, October 9 at College of St Marys:

Gate: Elissa Vilter

Concessions: Band

Clean-up: Merle & Sharon Saltzman & Seniors

PROMOTE GLOBAL AWARENESS

...through KoAm's Exchange Student Program. This program has enriched the lives of many American students and families as they have shared their lives and learned about the culture. Expand your worldview, develop international friendship and promote world peace!

Host one of KoAm's exchange students during spring and fall semester 2009. The students in grades 3rd thru 7th are ready to learn and experience many new things you can share with them.

To apply to become a host family, fill out an application at www.koameduall.org, or contact Area Coordinator, Mison Cowell at (402)301-5257.

School Lunch Menu

	Entree	Sides/Dessert
Oct. 6	HOT— Crispy Tacos COLD—Salad with Flaked Tuna	Lettuce & Cheese Cup Corn Peaches Cinnamon Crumb Cake
Oct. 7	HOT— Gyro w/Tzatziki Sauce COLD—Taco Salad Box	Greek Potato Wedges Pears Mint Chocolate Chip Bar
Oct. 8	HOT— Crispy Chicken Sandwich COLD—Tuna Salad Sandwich on Whole Wheat Bread	Lettuce Cup Green Beans Mixed Fruit Oatmeal Scottie
Oct. 9	HOT— Baked Rotini COLD—Crispy Chicken Salad Box	Italian Vegetables Kiwi Banana Cream Pie
Oct. 10	HOT— Hotdog on a Bun COLD—Sunbutter & Jelly on Whole Wheat Bread	Baked Beans Orange Wedges Red Sparkle Cookie

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

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.60(Pre-K-5); \$2.75 (5-12); \$1.00 Extra Entrees

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Cub Scout Corner

Regular Den Meetings:

Week of October 6

Week of October 13

Pack Meeting:

October 23 - Raingutter Regatta!

EducationQuest Foundation

Special Edition

College Planning Bulletin

Plan to attend a College Fair!

September 30, 2008

Lincoln, Omaha College Fairs coming up!

Don't miss the opportunity to visit with representatives from state, regional and national colleges during the upcoming Lincoln and Omaha College Fairs.

The **Lincoln Area College Fair is Sunday, October 19** from 1:00-3:30 p.m. at Southeast Community College, 8800 O Street in Lincoln.

The **Omaha Area College Fair is Sunday, October 26** from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the University of Nebraska-Omaha Sapp Fieldhouse.

Both events will feature representatives from over 120 colleges and universities along with financial aid presentations conducted by EducationQuest Foundation.

The College Fairs are sponsored by EducationQuest through partnerships with the Nebraska Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers and Nebraska high school counselors.

Follow these tips to help you make the most of your College Fair visit:

Before you attend, determine which colleges you want to visit (a list is available in the [College Fair article](#) at [EducationQuest.org](#)).

Prepare a list of questions to ask the college representatives. Ask about deadlines for admission, scholarships and financial aid.

Prepare pre-printed labels with your name and address to stick on information cards at college booths where you want additional information.

Attend a financial aid program at the College Fair to learn about types of aid and how to apply.

If you have questions about the Lincoln Area College Fair, contact the EducationQuest Lincoln office at 402-475-5222 or 800-303-3745. For questions about the Omaha Area College Fair, contact the EducationQuest Omaha office at 402-391-4033 or 888-357-6300.

For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:

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