

# News & Notes

March 6, 2009

## Area Christian School Boards Meet For Training

On February 27-28 Omaha Christian Academy hosted a special board training workshop. School board representatives from Cornerstone Christian School, Trinity Christian School, Omaha Street School, and Parkview Christian School joined the OCA Board to learn more about how School Boards can improve their effectiveness. The workshop, conducted by ACSI Regional Director Sam Barfell, focused on developing effective policy and organizational structures.

Sam presented material entitled "A Framework for Effectiveness" which covered board self improvement, board governance and responsibilities, and strategic planning. The training was de-

signed to give boards a general overview which can then be built upon in each individual school. This framework will likely be the basis for many future discussions at board meetings.

One of the tasks that we came away with is to include a time at each regular meeting to work on improving how we function as a board. Several books were recommended which can serve as resources for growth and development. At our board meeting on March 9 we will begin this process of self evaluation and improvement.

It was encouraging to hold this workshop with other like-minded area school boards. We

learned that each board encounters similar challenges and issues. We believe that by working together with other area Christian schools, the whole community can benefit from the fine work each school is already doing.

While we do not yet have official plans for future events, our hope is that the future will see our boards meeting together for fellowship and further professional development. The training and the time spent with other board members was both challenging and encouraging. Thank you for continuing to pray for our board as we serve the Lord together at OCA.

*Keith Strasser, School Board President*

## Enroll Now!

Online at [www.sycamoreeducation.com](http://www.sycamoreeducation.com)

### Don't forget to...



Saturday,  
March 7

*"But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint".*



*Isaiah 40:31*

<i>School Calendar</i>	
March 9	Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
March 10	District Speech Meet @ Cross Country - 6:00 am
March 11	Elem. & MS Music Adjudication - 8:00
March 12	Elementary Speech Meet
March 12	Booster Club Meeting - 12:00 pm
March 12	Red Wheel Pick-up - 3:00-5:30 pm
March 13	4th Grade to NE State Historical Museum & NE State Capital Bldg. - 8:30
March 16	No School Elementary
March 16	NFC Band Clinic @ OCA - 2:00 pm NFC Band Concert @ OCA - 7:00 pm
March 18	HS Music Adjudication - 8:00 am
March 19	6th & 7th Grade to Morrill Hall & NE History Museum- 8:00 am
March 19	Boys Soccer @ Brownell-Talbot - 4:30
March 20	Quiz Bowl @ Wesleyan - 9:00 am
March 20	Spanish III & IV Field Trip - 11:40 am
March 21	Track Meet @ NE Wesleyan U. - 9:00
March 24	Kindergarten Roundup - 1:30 pm
March 30	NFC Quiz Bowl @ College View - 4:00
March 31	Boys Soccer @ Conestoga - 4:30 pm
April 3	No School Elementary & MS
April 3	Christian Arts & Academic Meet
April 4	Quiz Bowl @ Lincoln - 9:00 am
April 6-10	No School - Spring Break
April 6	Boys Soccer @ Ralston - 5:30 pm
April 7	Boys Soccer @ Boystown - 6:00 pm
April 13-17	SAT Testing Grades 2nd-11th
April 14	Track @ NE Wesleyan U. - 9:15 am
April 14	Boys Soccer vs Gretna - 6:00 pm
April 16	Boys Soccer vs Elkhorn - 5:00 pm
April 17	Christian Arts & Academic Meet

## REGISTER NOW & SAVE

Registration for classes next fall is in full swing. Returning families receive a \$50 discount per child off the registration fee if registered by **March 16**.

### Register today!

### *ELEMENTARY SPEECH MEET*

Elementary Speech Meet will be held on Thursday, March 12 in Rooms 316 and 318 on the third floor. Parents are welcome to attend.

The schedule is as follows:

- 2nd Grade: 8:25 am
- 1st Grade: 8:35 am
- 5th Grade: 9:20 am
- 6th Grade: 9:20 am
- 4th Grade: 10:30 am
- 3rd Grade: 10:40 am

### *Special Speaker in Middle School History Classes*

Paul Andreas, a former World War II P.O.W., will be a special speaker for all middle school history classes. He will be speaking on Thursday, March 12 at 10:00 am. Parents are welcome to attend.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the families who helped make Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week such a blessing. We so **very much appreciate** all the meals, goodies and gifts that were sent! Special **appreciation** to coordinator, Margie Thierstein!

Serving Him Together,  
OCA Faculty & Staff





## Two Art Exhibits Coming Soon



- *Nebraska Frontier Conference Exhibition at OCA, March 16*
- *Christian Arts & Academic Meet at Trinity Christian School, April 17*

### Details

1. NFC Art Exhibit at OCA, March 16  
(Grades 6-12)

#### Deadline:

*Submit entries to Mr. Dods by March 9.*

#### Rules:

- *Top 20 entries will be selected on March 11 to represent OCA at the NFC Art Exhibit.*
  - *All categories (paint, drawing, craft, clay, wood photography...)*
  - *No Entry Fees*
  - *5 ribbons awarded at Exhibit for "Viewer's Favorites" (Grades 9-12 only)*
2. Christian Arts & Academic Meet at Trinity Christian School, April 17  
(Grades K-8)

#### Deadline:

*Submit entries by March 9:*

- *Grades K-5 to classroom teacher*
- *Grades 6-8 to Mr. Dods*

#### Rules:

- *Six pieces per classroom selected by classroom teacher*
- *Maximum two pieces per student*
- *\$2 fee per artwork (Please do not send that fee now, a statement will be sent home at a later date.)*
- *All categories eligible (no kits)*
- *All work will be judged and awarded ribbons.*

#### **Notes:**

*\* Grades 6-8 eligible for both exhibits. Submit work for both at same time.*

## Red Wheel Order Pick-Up



Mark your calendar! Red Wheel orders will be available for pick up next Thursday, March 12 from 3:00-5:30 in the cafeteria.



## OCA/West YMCA Summer Youth Sports K-8th Boys/Girls Baseball/Softball Sign-ups!



**Season: May 30-July 25, 2009**

**Cost: \$52.00 per player**  
Summer sign-ups begin soon!

- Registration forms will be accepted with a postmarked date of March 20th to April 4th with *no late fee*.
- If you would like to have a neighbor, friend or relative on an OCA team with your child, they may register during the *no late fee* time frame, however, all OCA families will have first priority.
- Registrations postmarked April 5th-April 11th will acquire a \$10.00 *late fee*.
- No registrations accepted after postmarked date of April 11.
- We will deposit all checks no sooner than April 12th.
- Make checks payable to: Youth Sports
- Mail payment and completed registration form to:

Youth Sports  
c/o Joyce West  
6813 N 102nd Avenue Circle  
Omaha, NE 68122



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*You may also share this information with friends and family!*

*Thank you for benefiting OCA with shopping online all through the year!*

**Last month OCA received a check for \$375 from QSP internet sales!!**



Have you not received your magazine yet? If there is any problem, please call 1-800-678-2673, QSP Customer Service. (M-F 7am-6pm CST) They will help you with any problem you have with your magazine order. They will be able to track the problem down and rectify the situation.



## School Lunch Menu

	Entree	Sides/Dessert
March 9	HOT— Chicken Drumstick COLD—Turkey & White Cheese on Multigrain Bread	Dinner Roll Potato Wedges Orange Wedges Cake with Pink Frosting
March 10	HOT— Chicken Parmesan COLD—Crispy Chicken Salad Box	Peas Peach Cup Garlic Bread Stick Chocolate Chip Cookie
March 11	HOT— Hot Dog on a Bun COLD—Chef Salad Box	Baby Carrots Baked Apples a la mode
March 12	HOT— Rib-a-Q on a Bun COLD—Westside Smart Box	Potato Rounds Orange Wedges Rice Crispy Treat
March 13	HOT— Cheesy Enchilada COLD— Sun butter & Jelly Sandwich	Lettuce Salad Pears Snicker Doodle 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

**Gentlemen Start Your Engines! The April Pack Meeting will be our annual Pinewood Derby. Check with your Den Leader for the information you need about your car.**

**Troop 812 will be hosting us and providing the track at Christ Community Church.**

**March 19**

**Regular Pack Meeting at Emmanuel Fellowship Church at 7:00 pm.**



# OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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ADDRESS AS OF JUNE 2009: 10244 Wiesman Drive, Omaha, NE 68134

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## 2009—2010 Tuition & Fees Schedule

### REGISTRATION FEE

(Registration fees are non-refundable)

**Pre-School \$50.00 per student**

**New Student \$250.00 per student**

(\$50.00 discount if registered before April 15, 2009)

**Returning Student \$225.00 per student**

(\$50.00 due at registration, with balance due prior to June 1)

(\$50.00 discount if registered before March 16, 2009)

### TUITION

#### Pre-School

5 full days \$500.00 per month

5 half days \$260.00 per month

3 full days \$310.00 per month

3 half days \$155.00 per month

(3 full days are Monday/Wednesday/Friday)

(3 half days are mornings)

#### Kindergarten

\$3,950.00 per year—1st child

\$3,750.00 per year—2nd child

\$3,550.00 per year—3rd child

No charge—4th, 5th child

#### 1st—5th Grade

\$4,475.00 per year—1st child

\$4,275.00 per year—2nd child

\$4,075.00 per year—3rd child

No charge—4th, 5th child

#### 6th—8th Grade

\$5,100.00 per year—1st child

\$4,900.00 per year—2nd child

\$4,700.00 per year—3rd child

No charge—4th, 5th child

#### 9th—12th Grade

\$5,875.00 per year—1st child

\$5,675.00 per year—2nd child

\$5,475.00 per year—3rd child

No charge—4th, 5th child

### MUSIC

Instrument Rental \$75.00 per year

Percussion Rental \$20.00 per year

### BOOKS: Kindergarten—12th Grade

Textbooks for required classes are property of Omaha Christian Academy. The rental fee for these books is included in the tuition fee. All textbooks used for elective classes and consumable workbooks must be purchased prior to the beginning of the semester.

### AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

\$7.00 per student per day

HOURS: 3:15pm—5:30pm

STUDENTS: Pre-School—5th Grade

### TUITION PAYMENT PLANS:

1. If full year's tuition payment is paid by July 15, a three percent discount will be applied.
2. Semester tuition payments are due July 15 and January 15.
3. Tuition payments paid in monthly installments are due on the 1st of each month. Accounts must be paid in full by June 1, 2010. An accounting fee of \$25.00 per semester will be charged for monthly installments.

### PENALTIES:

1. A fee of \$20.00 will be charged to your account after the 10th of the month for late payments
2. Returned checks will be assessed a \$20.00 fee. A second returned check will require all amounts due to be paid in cash or cashier's check.
3. Consumable workbooks, elective textbooks and incidental fees are due payable by the last day of the following month.

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

This assistance is need based and includes Christian Ministries. Applications must be filed prior to May 30. Limited funds are available every year.

### RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE:

If you are responsible for bringing a new student to OCA, \$500.00 will be credited to your account when he/she completes his/her first semester.



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## RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION

The registration fee is \$225.00 per returning student. All students registered by March 15 will receive a \$50 discount. To reserve a place on the class roster a \$50 deposit per student must accompany this form. The balance of the registration fee is due by May 31.

Name of Student(s)			Social Security #	Grade Entering	Birth Date
First	Middle	Last			
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Full name of both parents or guardians with whom student lives:

Father or Guardian		Mother or Guardian	
Father's work place	&	Phone Number	
Mother's work place	&	Phone Number	
Home Address _____	City _____	Zip _____	Home Phone _____
Cell phone _____	E-Mail address _____		
Emergency Contact _____	Phone _____		
Emergency Contact _____	Phone _____		
Church you attend _____	_____		
Address _____	_____		
Pastor's Name _____	_____		

I understand that photos, videos, etc. of my child may be taken by the school and used for school publicity purposes. If you **do not** grant Omaha Christian Academy the right to use your child's image and name for publicity purposes check this box .

**I understand that the registration fee is non-refundable.** Upon request, refunds are made only if the family moves outside a commutable distance or if application for student admission is unapproved.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Bookkeeper Information:

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

