



Good News

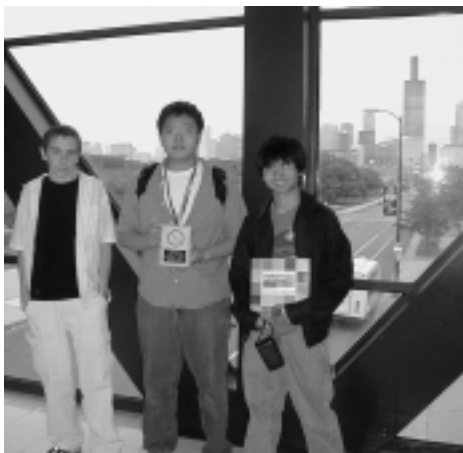
- Three members of the OSSM Class of '05 have now achieved perfect scores on the College Board SAT. Congratulations to Jason Chen (Edmond), Matt Stanley (Edmond), and Dafang Zhang (Tulsa);
- Rayus Kuplicki (Tulsa, '05) was named the top problem solver for two weeks this summer in working practice problems for the Computer Science Olympiad, after working with Dr. Adrian Zimmer. Dr. Zimmer says that this is an excellent beginning for Rayus' training for the Olympiad.

Computer Science Team Takes First Place

Last spring, OSSM's American Computer Science (ACSL) team was invited to compete in the 26th ACSL All-Star Competition that took place in Chicago on May 29. The OSSM junior team placed first in the southern region among the US and Canadian schools and 4th internationally in the intermediate division.

Eighty-eight teams from the US, Canada, Croatia, and Romania participated in three divisions (senior, intermediate, and junior). The 88 teams invited to the finals were selected from among over 200 schools in the US, Canada, Europe and a few from Japan.

The ACSL team members representing OSSM in Chicago were Michael Liang (Tulsa), Robert Lindsey (Ada), and Dafang Zhang (Tulsa). Dr. Farideh Samadzadeh serves as the training coach for the ACSL junior and senior teams.



Robert Lindsey, Michael Liang, and Dafang Zhang, with a portion of the Chicago skyline behind them, after competing in the ACSL All-Star Competition.

Dear Parents:

Welcome to the 2004-2005 school year at OSSM. We are glad to see the returning seniors of the Class of 2005, and greet with enthusiasm the Class of 2006. Despite the soggy weather, move-in day went smoothly, and the Convocation was a very enjoyable event. Thank you to seniors Nancy Burger (Oklahoma City), Chris Crowe (Ardmore), and Ross Hallren (Fairview) for helping out by introducing our speakers. All three students did a great job!

For the attention of the junior parents: this is the first installment of the Parents' Weekly for the '04-'05 school year. The letter will be published every Friday when school is in session and mailed to your home address. It will also be posted to the OSSM web site every Friday afternoon.

The purpose of the Parents' Weekly is to remind you and keep you informed of important dates, to report student and faculty achievements, and to let you know about special events that take place here at OSSM.

I can use your help. Please let me know of any "good news" about your student that you would like to share with the rest of the OSSM community. Did your student do anything outstanding this summer? Did he or she receive some special award or recognition in your home community? Has he or she received word of a scholarship offer? I want to hear about it. Students themselves are often reluctant to boast to me about their accomplishments.

You can reach me by email (droberts@ossm.edu) or by phone (405/522-7806). Let's have a great year with lots of good news.

Donna Roberts
Editor, *Weekly*

Happy Birthday to:

Krushangi Patel	August 21
Mary Moon	August 22
Nancy Chen	August 22
Kelly Ann Coney	August 22
Christian Clanton	August 24
Otis Chodosh	August 25

Counselor's Corner

College Counselor, Mr. Gary Salwierak has lined up a number of college representatives to talk to interested students right here on the OSSM campus. Please encourage your students to take advantage of these opportunities.

Duke University	Wednesday, September 8, 7:30 a.m., Great Hall
Bard College	Tuesday, September 14, Noon, Great Hall
MIT	Monday, September 20, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Kirkpatrick Auditorium (open to the public)
Yale	Monday, October 18, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Kirkpatrick Auditorium (open to the public)

National Test Dates

Alert to Junior Parents: The 2004 PSAT/NMSQT will be administered on Saturday, October 16, 2004. **Fee is \$11.00.** Parents may pay PSAT fees to Mrs. Hurte on Parents' Day. Look for Mrs. Hurte in the Student Lounge.

ACT Assessment (Fee: \$28.00)

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Regular Registration Postmark Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Postmark Deadline</u>
October 23, 2004 (required for seniors)	September 17, 2004	October 1, 2004
December 11, 2004 (required for juniors)	November 5, 2004	November 18, 2004
February 12, 2005	January 7, 2005	January 21, 2004
April 9, 2005	March 4, 2005	March 18, 2005
June 11, 2005	May 6, 2005	May 20, 2005

SAT (Fee: \$29.50)

October 9, 2004 (required for seniors)	September 7, 2004	September 15, 2004
November 6, 2004	October 1, 2004	October 13, 2004
December 4, 2004 (required for juniors)	October 29, 2004	November 10, 2004
January 22, 2005	December 20, 2004	December 29, 2004
**May 7, 2005	March 25, 2005	April 6, 2005

** Recommended for juniors but will not be administered at OSSM. See Mrs. Hurte if you have questions.

Attention!

Tune in to OETA, Channel 13, on Saturday afternoon at 5:30. The segment *OKC Metro* will feature Suzanne Donnolo, Dean of Admissions, with Mary Moon (Alex, '05) talking about the OSSM commitment to community service.

And, be sure to pick up a copy of *The Daily Oklahoman* (Thursday, August 19) to see the front page story written by Tom Lindley about OSSM. His article is about the opening of the 2005-2006 school year at OSSM and highlights Nathan Crain (Helena, '06) and his family.

OSSM Parents Day 2004

Saturday, August 28

8:45 - 8:55 Registration

9:00 - 9:30 General Sessions for Juniors/Seniors
and their families.

9:40 - 12:30 Class Rotation

12:45 College Admissions and Financial Aid
Workshop with College Counselor, Gary Salwierak.

All activities will take place in Lincoln School. Plan
on meeting your child there at 8:45 a.m.