



Good News

- Senator James Inhofe has nominated Joy Lomheim (Newalla) to the United States Air Force Academy;
- Nathan Crain (Helena) has been admitted to Hilldale College in Michigan;
- Geraint Harris (Burns Flat) has been admitted to the University of Oklahoma Honors College and awarded a \$2,000 per year tuition waiver.

More **Regents Scholars** Named: Amber Loftis (Bartlesville), Bob Pillow (Idabel), and Geraint Harris (Burns Flat) have been added to the list of OSSM seniors who qualify for the State Regents Scholarship. That brings this year's number to 16. Congratulations!

All-State Scholars Named

The Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence has selected Amber Loftis (Bartlesville) and Mike Ding (Edmond) to be honored at the Foundation's annual awards dinner on May 20, in Tulsa. They are among the 100 Scholars chosen from nearly 600 nominees from across the state.

When they are honored at the dinner, Amber and Mike will each receive a \$1,500 scholarship, an All-State medalion, and a commemorative plaque.

Congratulations to the parents whose names were drawn to win tickets to attend the New Orleans/Oklahoma City **Hornets Game** with the students on Monday evening, March 6. The game starts at 7:00 p.m. – students will depart by bus at 6:15. If you are on the list below, you can pick up your tickets at the residence hall before the game.

- Mary Ann Boes
- Melanie and Mack Francis
- Deborah and David Graham
- Christine and Mack Harris
- Jacqueline and Dean Johnson
- Linda and Steve King
- Mary and Randy Lewis
- Linda and Doug Lomheim
- Bina and Gopal Ranebenur
- Cheryl Rippe
- Shelli and Greg Sharber
- Susan and Chris Sullens
- Rosemarie and John Thomas
- Suzann and Pat Versteeg
- Jie Qin and Daxiang Wang

This event promises to be a great time for you and your students.

Congratulations to Rachel Weng. On Thursday of this past week she became a United States citizen.

PAOSSM

(www.paossm.org)

Dear Parents:

Attendance at the PAOSSM meeting on Tuesday, February 21, was **POOR**. Almost all parents came to drop off their students that day. All it takes is one more hour of your time to get more involved with your student's activities at OSSM. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity. If you attend all the meetings you will have spent 16 hours of your time (8 meetings per year). This would provide you with a lifetime of memories, value . . . priceless.

Here are some of the activities we discussed:

- Report card day (2/23)
- Hand ball playoffs (2/24)
- Spring party (2/25)
- Keith Daniel Trio (2/27)
- Legislative breakfast (2/28)
- Hornets' basketball game (3/06)

We need volunteers. If you can help please contact Mary Ann Boes (918) 808-5502 (mamms2000@cox.net)

Bina & Gopal Ranebenur
Co-Presidents

OSSM Shines in National Contest

In competition with schools from every state in the nation, OSSM is among the top schools (29) after the second round of the Continental Mathematics League competition. Otis Chodosh (Edmond, '06), Sam Lee (Enid, '06), Tuan Tran (Yukon, '06) Amber Loftis (Bartlesville, '06), and Haofei Wei (Broken Arrow, '07) are among the top scoring students in the country. The next "meet" will take place on March 2. Congratulations to our outstanding math students and good luck in the rest of the contest.



Counselor's Corner

Southwest High School Scholars

Colorado College

A summer enrichment program for rising high school seniors from the American Southwest.

The program is designed to help students prepare for college work.

The cost of the program: Students receive a scholarship that includes full tuition for one course, room and board in regular college facilities, travel costs, and a stipend for incidental expenses. The value of this package is in excess of \$3000.00.

Duration: June 5-23

June 26 - July 14

July 17 - August 4

Deadline: April 7

www.ColoradoCollege.edu/SummerProgram

The University of Kansas School of Engineering

Lawrence Kansas

KU Survivor: Engineering Outback is an exclusive, guys-only weeklong engineering experience for high school juniors and seniors. The focus is on exploration and design.

Cost of this intensive-learning camp: \$500.00

Deadline: An April date

www.engr.ku.edu

The University of Kansas School of Engineering

Lawrence Kansas

Girls-only weeklong engineering experience for high school juniors and seniors. A week of exploration, sponsored by the Society of Women Engineers

Duration: June 18-24, July 16-22

Cost: \$350.00

Deadline: An April date

www.engr.ku.edu

SEWANEE

The University of the South

Sewanee, Tennessee

The Sewanee Bridge Program in Math and Science

A three-week residential experience for juniors who are interested in careers in science and mathematics.

Duration: June 18 - July 8, 2006. The math session will be a college-level calculus class, and the science session will be an introduction to chaos and fractals (physics).

Cost: Tuition, room and board are free

Deadline: March 15, 2006

www.sewanee.edu/bridgeprogram

Afred University

Alfred, New York

Entrepreneurial Leadership, Creative Writing, Astronomy, Equestrian Camps, Science and Engineering

Cost: 525.00 for each program

Who: Juniors

Deadline: May 19, 2006

ACT Test Date/Test Center Code: 063210/Required for Juniors

April 8, 2006

Registration deadline: March 3, 2006

SAT Test Date: / Test Center Code 37152/Required for Juniors

May 6, 2006

Registration Deadline: April 3, 2006

School Code for ACT and SAT: 372684

Students may now sign up for Advanced Placement Examinations on the bulletin board in the Student Lounge.

Test Dates: May 1 - 5 (week 1)

May 8 - 12 (week 2)

Fee:

\$74.00 per each exam

\$52.00 per each exam (students with fee reduction)

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Counselor Daisy Hurte.

Thank you to . . .

. . . Prunil Patel (Tulsa, '07), Morgan Boes (Owasso, '06), Lauren White (Idabel, '07), Jared Gipson (Blanchard, '07), and Philip Danser (Edmond, '07) for allowing prospective students to shadow them this past week;

. . . and to Eric Hudgins (Pocola, '97) for giving a tour of the campus.

Parents:

Important Information Enclosed

Members of the OSSM Society were guest speakers at last Tuesday's PAOSSM monthly meeting. Enclosed is a flyer from the Society for those of you who did not attend the meeting.

The OSSM faculty and staff greatly appreciate the work the Society does in support of the school and its alumni.

Cookie Day was a surprise and delight to students on "Report Card Day" on Thursday afternoon. Many thanks to the parents who organized, cleaned up, and baked or purchased cookies for the event. Our *awesome* helpers were Bina Ranebenur (Lasya, '06), Mary Ann Henderson (Michael, '07), Connie Rosean-Pruitt (Leah Weyand, '07), Ruth Roy (Nathan, '07), Mary Ann Boes (Morgan, '06), and Linda Lomheim (Joy, '06).

A very special thanks to the Hendersons and their family, the Beabouts. They made baking 38-dozen homemade cookies a family project . . . above and beyond the call of duty!

Happy Birthday to:

Lucy Liu February 28

(actual birthday is February 29!)

Melissa Koshy March 1

Loan Vu March 3