



Good News

- Ruth Droescher (Norman) has been admitted to the Illinois Institute of Technology and awarded a \$12,000 per year Heald Scholarship.

PAOSSM NEWS

Don't forget:

The Parents Association will have memorabilia available for sale in the Great Hall on Monday, November 1, when students return from extended weekend. The sale will take place from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

There will be a PAOSSM meeting in the Kirkpatrick Auditorium in Lincoln School at 6:00 that evening.

Students Attend Concert

Morgan Boes (Owasso, '06), with the help of Jennifer Nguyen (Oklahoma City, '06), submitted this review.

This past Monday evening a group of us were privileged to go to *A Night of Piano* with Valery Kuleshov. Mr. Kuleshov is a Russian pianist who has performed all over the world. He is also an Artist-in-Residence at the University of Central Oklahoma. He performed *Concerto in D minor*, by J.S. Bach; *Kreisleriana, Op.16*, by R. Schumann; *Sonetto 104 del Petrarca*, by F. Liszt; and *Grandes Etudes de Paganini, No.3 La Campanella, No. 5 La Chasse* (The Hunt), *No.6 Theme and Variations*. He ended his concert with an encore of the *Dance of the Sugarplum Fairies* by Tchaikovsky.

When Mr. Kuleshov's hands moved across the piano, all were amazed by the velocity at which they moved. His technique seemed perfect. Mr. Kuleshov's interpretation of the music was compelling and imaginative; the expressiveness in the pieces captured the audience's imagination. His flawless pedaling, impeccable technique, and compelling interpretation made this show very enjoyable and worthwhile.

Note: funding for this event was donated by long-time OSSM benefactor for the fine arts, Ms. Beth Hammonds. Fifty-five students attended the concert.

Counselor's Corner

Parents are welcomed to come in on Monday afternoon (4:00 p.m.) for the opportunity to meet with the Admissions Counselor from **Rice University**. If you plan to attend, please advise Mr. Salwierak (405/522-7830 -gsalwier@ossm.edu) so he can have an accurate headcount.

Dartmouth College will hold a regional recruitment meeting here at OSSM on Tuesday evening, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. (that's right, election night). The representative will hold a follow-up meeting exclusively for OSSM students the next morning at 7:30 a.m. in the Great Hall.

Approximately ten, **\$4,000, H.W. Almen**, West Oklahoma City Rotary Scholarships will be awarded in the Oklahoma City area via the Oklahoma City Community Foundation Guidance Counselor Network. Family income must not exceed \$70,000. The application must be turned in to Mr. Salwierak by November 15.

Eye on Sports

from Coach Armstrong

The results of the boys intramural flag football championships are as follows:

Monday/Wednesday champions: David Walker's (Duncan, '06) team of Eric Beaver (Checotah, '06), Daniel Graham (Oklahoma City, '06), Nick Eckenstein (Oklahoma City, '05), and Alfred Chen (Shawnee, '06).

Tuesday/Thursday, 4:30 class champions: Thomas Nguyen's (Oklahoma City, '05) team of David Eyster (Ponca City, '05), Mike Ding (Edmond, '06), Jordan Johnston (Oklahoma City, '05), Ben Cook Harrah, '05), Tuan Tran (Oklahoma City, '06), Patrick VerSteeg (Cheyenne, '06), and Kevin Woodson (Norman, '05).

Tuesday/Thursday, 5:15 class champions: Daniel Freno's (Oklahoma City, '05) team of Sam Lee (Enid, '06), Brian Lee (Muskogee, '05), Michael Liang (Tulsa, '05), and Zachary Hoskins (Lawton, '06).

Happy Birthday to:

Katie Barthel	November 3
Dr. Shayne Johnston	November 4
Dr. Edna Manning	November 4
Jacob Mayden	November 6
Jeffia Pan	November 6
Ashley Keeling	November 7

Last Saturday's Open House was very well attended. We had over 360 visitors on campus including prospective students and their families. Students were a great help greeting people, getting them registered, and giving them tours of the campus. Special thanks to Adam Dixon (Bartlesville, '05) and Nadia Sebastian (Oklahoma City, '05) for their part in describing their research as part of the Investigative Research Scholars Program. Thank you also to seniors:

Sarah Anoke (Tulsa)
Jason Chen (Edmond)
Daniel Freno (Oklahoma City)
Ross Hallren (Oklahoma City)
Robert Haussman (Harrah)
Emily Kish (Weatherford)
Michael Liang (Tulsa)
Aggie Malatinszky (Edmond)
Jacob Mayden (Oklahoma City)
Krushangi Patel (Oklahoma City)
Roshni Patel (Oklahoma City)
Preseta Paul (Oklahoma City)
Amber Sherrill (Del City)
Daku Siewe (Stillwater)
Keenan Smart (Moore)
Destiny Smith-Stout (Blackwell)
Katharine Stroukoff (Stillwater)
Angela Sun (Norman)
Mustafa Zorlu (Oklahoma City)

and to juniors:

Rachel Cannon (Braman)
Alfred Chen (Shawnee)
Otis Chodosh (Edmond)
Christian Clanton (Guthrie)
Sarah Copley (Marlow)
Mike Ding (Edmond)
Jonathan Francis (Pocola)
Daniel Graham (Oklahoma City)
Zoheb Hajiyani (Anadarko)
Nusaybah Khan (Edmond)
Jennifer Li (Edmond)
Lucy Liu (Edmond)
Brent Luke (Shawnee)
Krista Owen (Achille)
Raquel Phillips (Wagoner)
Lasya Ranebenur (Edmond)
Nozlee Samadzadeh (Stillwater)
Christopher Smith (Claremore)
Shawn Som (Enid)
Afsaneh Talai (Norman)
Anh Tran (Oklahoma City)
Tuan Tran (Oklahoma City)
David Walker (Duncan)
BranDee Weese (Choctaw)
Katie Weston (Sulphur)
Jordan Yozzo (Tulsa)

Thank you to . . .

. . . Patrick VerSteege (Cheyenne, '06) and Brett Taylor (Tishomingo, '06) for allowing prospective students to shadow them this past week.

Students Work Toward Community Service Requirement

The Community Service requirement for graduation from OSSM is an integral part of the program. Through it, students learn that it is important to “give something back” to the community. Rachel Weng (Edmond, '06) has already fulfilled her community service commitment by contributing time to *Unite for Sight*, a nonprofit organization that empowers communities worldwide to improve eye health and eliminate preventable blindness. Last summer Rachel worked a total of 155 hours. She designed *Unite for Sight's* annual report, fiscal year summary, United States coordinator manual, and the Canada coordinator manual, an online eye health course manual, and many other documents. The organization's founder and CEO wrote that “Rachel consolidated *Unite for Sight* materials into graphically designed manuals that were distributed to more than 2,000 volunteers in 100 chapters throughout the world.” Rachel has been selected for *Unite for Sight's* first Youth Leader Award.

Other OSSM students who have met or exceeded the number of community service hours required (and have documented them with the school) are seniors:

Katie Barthel (Shawnee), Ben Cook (Harrah), Ruth Droescher (Norman), Emily Dyer (Shawnee), Annalee Embry (Ponca City), Andrew Hammonds (Shawnee), Jordan Johnston (Oklahoma City), Rayus Kuplicki (Tulsa), Brian Lee (Muskogee), Brett Manning (Oklahoma City), Mary Moon (Alex), Jeffia Pan (Ponca City), Preseta Paul (Oklahoma City), James Phan (Moore), Shirlene Samual (Oklahoma City), Keenan Smart (Moore), Destiny Smith-Stout (Blackwell), Dafang Zhang (Tulsa), and Mustafa Zorlu (Oklahoma City).

Four juniors have met the requirement (and documented their hours). They are: Brandon Barnes (Lawton), Kelly Coney (Ft. Gibson), Haley Kinnamon (Ft. Gibson), and Jared Vanderford (Burns-Flat). Kelly and Haley worked at the Muskogee Veterans Administration Medical Center. Kelly has earned 413 hours with the Center! Haley, 116.