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#### KALAMAZOO AREA MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE CENTER Keeping KAMSC Families Informed

#### From the Director's Desk

We have recently ended another amazing year at KAMSC. It is now time to relax and rejuvenate as we pursue our summer dreams. It is also time to reflect on the past as we plan to embrace the challenges of a new school year.

It is evident that science, mathematics and technology remain at the top of the list for many young students. The hallways of KAMSC quickly filled with younger minds, excited by the opportunity to become engaged in the learning of science and mathematics through the *Sizzlin Summer Math and Science Program*. Many KAMSC students are working with them as they pursue their dreams.

The 2010 class of 68 students received over \$3.2M from the institutions of their choice as they matriculate to colleges around the nation. KAMSC students were the recipients of many awards and recognitions. The research team continues to compete with the best, with four students participating in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in San Jose, California in May. One student placed first in the astronomy and physics division. The KAMSC team placed fourth in the engineering materials and bioengineering division. Students placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the *All Star International Invitational* competitions this spring. KAMSC students are competitive with other young students around the world. *Congratulations!* 

In preparation for the 2010-2011 school year, the class of 2014 has been selected. We welcome them to the KAMSC family and look forward to endless challenges and memorable learning experiences. We remain cognizant of the transition between middle school and high school for ninth graders and we will work to make the transition into KAMSC as seamless as possible. We are committed to providing a nurturing and supportive network of students, teachers, parents and staff. We hope to create within each student a sense of connection and belonging as they navigate through a *challenging* learning environment.

We look forward to many eager and excited learners in the fall, both new and former students. We are excited about serving you and anticipate the many opportunities for growth and learning by staff and students.

Parents, thank you for your support throughout the year. Please remember to become an active participate in the *Parent Organization*. We can all make a difference in the lives of young people.

Have a safe and fun filled summer.

Sincerely,

Brenda Prater Earhart, Ed.D KAMSC Director

#### **Thank You Parents!**

To the Parent Organization committee members, Senior Activities committee members, Ambassadors, drivers, and all the parents who helped in any way to make the 2009-2010 year a productive year, Thank You. Parents are important at KAMSC and the KAMSC staff says, THANK YOU TO ALL PARENTS for the time you volunteer at KAMSC. A special "Thank You" for the wonderful luncheon provided at the end of the school year.

# 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Student Orientation

We look forward to members of the class of 2014 spending time together in the relaxed environment of the Kalamazoo Nature Center getting to know each other. This is where it all begins – through several team building activities and games, facilitated by KAMSC's students and alumni, they begin to embrace the fact that they, too, are members of the KAMSC family. The orientation will be held on Tuesday, August 31st, at the Kalamazoo Nature Center from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The afternoon of fun will end with an ice cream social. There will be a Parent Meet and Greet from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

# 2010 KAMSC Open House

On Wednesday, September 15, KAMSC will host an Open House. The schedule for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade classes begins at 6:25 p.m. and 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade classes begin at 7:20 p.m. All parents are invited to attend.

#### Parent Association 2010-2011

Zaf Khaja Chairperson Treasurer Robin Perrault Secretary Doris Beck Parent Ambassador Coordinators Shirley Freeman Volunteer Coordinators Norma Weir Phone Caller Vacant Funding Committee Chair Zaf Khaja Senior Activities Chair Karen Krinock

Please watch for important parent organization volunteer information in the upcoming – 'back to school' newsletter. We are currently looking for ambassadors for the 2010-2011 school year. This is not a difficult job, but is important. If you are interested please contact Shirley Freeman at 381-8208.

# **Project Day**

Project Day was held on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at KAMSC. Students displayed their projects throughout the KAMSC area. They were available to answer questions about their projects. The program was open to KAMSC parents and the general public.

# **Senior Activities Committee**

The recognition of 68 students from KAMSC on June 1 wrapped up the year for the Senior Activities Committee. The committee put together the Senior Tea in December, held at the Epic Center in downtown Kalamazoo; the KAMSC Senior/Staff Luncheon, held in April at the Kalamazoo Country Club, and then helped organize the May Recognition Ceremony.

The committee wants to extend a special thanks to Dr. John Goudie for putting together the senior slideshow and for his help throughout the year and thanks to all the senior parents for their generous support in so many ways. The committee also extends thanks to junior class parents who organized the reception following the Recognition Ceremony.

#### Sizzlin' Summer Science – 2010

Maybe you're one of those KAMSC parents who remember bringing your child to the center's doors for summer classes where your child explored driving interests that added appeal to math, science & technology. Some of the current staff ARE former students, in a summer enrichment-science and math program that is now nineteen years old and offers eight weeks of widely varied classes every year.

Staffed by session leaders and assistants from all over the region, many of which are KAMSC students and graduates, the Sizzlin' Summer Program at KAMSC continues to put a gleam in the eyes of several hundred future science/math/technology experts each year, from first grade into high school. Classes usually run two hours a day for either one or two weeks and students take anywhere from 1 to 14 classes. The average per student is two classes.

The tuition-based program is as affordable as possible, but about 20% of students every year have some form of financial assistance. About half of them receive assistance from an internal program fund and the rest from a variety of schools, companies and organizations that choose to put some of their community service money into helping students stretch into science and math. If you know of an organization or individual that would like to help with summer financial assistance, please contact Ms. Fisher at 337-0004.

## A Note from the Parent Organization

At the close of the school year we reflected on the privileges of spending part of our lives with the KAMSC community, a privilege that bears with it obligations and responsibilities. The KAMSC Parent Organization accomplished many projects this year thanks to all the devoted parent volunteers for a combination of teamwork and drive to share a common goal of helping our children in their quest for educational success.

We experienced the enthusiasm first hand of KAMSC's extended family whether in helping by donating food, working on mass mailings, chaperoning social events or as Parent Ambassadors, advisors and mentors. Many parents donated their time and talents on committees, proctored the Entrance Exam for prospective incoming students, drove students to competitions all over the Country, organized senior class activities, and helped in countless unsung ways. Without your help this would not have been possible.

With your help, the Parent Organization was able to provide honorariums for speakers, offer science fair awards to students, help with student travel to compete at national, state and local Science, Computer, Math, Envirothon and other competitions, purchase items for classrooms, and run our Community Pi Day!

Finally, a special thank you to the KAMSC staff. Our children experienced the opportunity to learn from bright, energetic, diverse faculty who have chosen to teach at KAMSC because of the strong connections and relationships they create with students not only in the classroom, but also as great advisors, role models and companions to our students, contributing to the success of our children's ambitious goals.

The year in retrospect has heightened our sense of community while creating a joint ownership of KAMSC as we embrace tomorrow's opportunities and challenges. We thank you and look forward to your continued involvement with KAMSC.

Zaf Khaja, President

#### **Student Senate**

Student Senate President Alex Liou Student Senate -Vice President Tracy Broomell Student Senate -Treasurer Lauren Raycraft Student Senate - Secretary Ben Wang Senior Student Senate Representative Colleen Unsworth Junior Student Senate Representative Elaine Chu Sophomore Student Senate Representative Phoebe Huang Freshman Student Senate Representative To be determined Student Senate Parent Advisor William Liou

An Awards program was held on May 20 for KAMSC students and parents.

Many of the awards are listed on the following pages.



Kevin P. Chao Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship, established by family and friends in memory of Kevin P. Chao, provides financial assistance to students who elanby openicleastics frim Greeth Sidney Wifem Revents solars in remembered. These characteristics include the sone of competitive spirit, leadership, high respect from everyone he encountered, and a special caring for his fellow man. This year's recipient is Sidney High Honors

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# **Calculus League Competition**

The Calculus League Competition is open to all students who are either enrolled in or have completed a Calculus course. It consists of a series of 4 timed tests that take place during the year, and parallels the development of concepts and skills in differentiation and integration. This year, KAMSC's top competitors were: Tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 31 points each: Matthew Weaver, Christopher Hoorn and Dustin Rowland. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place, with 32 points: Saurav Lohani. In 1<sup>st</sup> place with 33 points: Tibin John.

# 53<sup>nd</sup> Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition

In October, KAMSC had 210 participants for Part 1 of the 53<sup>nd</sup> Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition, sponsored by the Michigan section of the Mathematical Association of America. The top 10% of Part 1 scores statewide are invited to take Part 2 in December. The following students qualified for Part 2:

Melinda Alberty Alan Alvarez Chad Bilicke
Devin Dereski Evan Fletcher Sidney Helmer
Phoebe Huberty Tibin John Derek Krinock
Abhiram Krishnan Cooper Kudary Katie Lee
Alex Lim Jiangrui Lu Fatima Mirza

Dustin Rowland Grady Sertic Anthony Spalvieri-Kruse

Steven Vorbrich Lucas Waling Matthew Weaver

Isabella Wu Jing Xiao

Tibin John earned the highest KAMSC score for Part 1. Isabella Wu's combined score on Parts 1 and 2 placed her in the Top 200 statewide.

# 2010 American Mathematics Competition 10/12

In February, 102 KAMSC students took part in the AMC-10/12 competition, sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America. Of those, Anthony Spalvieri-Kruse earned the highest score for the AMC-12 and Kevin Li earned the highest score for the AMC-10. Both received a special certificate of achievement.

# Michigan Math League

The Michigan Math League Contest consists of six contests that are given throughout the school year. Each competition consists of six problems. Tibin John, Calvin Studebaker and Isabella Wu earned the highest cumulative score at KAMSC.

# Congratulations to all of these individuals for their mathematical efforts.

# **Advanced Physics Book Award**

Criteria: Given to a student who has demonstrated sustained enthusiasm and curiosity for

the subject, gone above and beyond what is required in his/her pursuit of

understanding physics.

Recipient: Lucas Kushner

# **American Chemical Society Exam Finalists**

Giancarlo Anemone Luke Anderson Nigel Beaton Jacob Beck Matt Beck Raj Brueggemann Stephen Coles Mitchell Coulter Madeline Davis **Dustin DeMink** Devin Dereski Hannah Duke Mary Farner Lucas Hamelink Ben Harmsen Jager Hartman Andrew Hassevoort Tibin John Daniel Karn Andrew King Keenan Lee Adena Leibbrand Richard Lu Cooper Kudary Sarah Manski Travis Mazer Paige Maguire Elizabeth Penix **Grady Sertic** Calvin Studebaker Kyle Sunden William Thayer Megan Walsh Matthew Weaver Stuart Wheaton

# **American Chemical Society** Top 20 – Final Scholarship Exam

Jager Hartman Devin Dereski Keenan Lee Stuart Wheaton William Thayer Nigel Beaton Tibin John Andrew Hassevoort

Matthew Weaver

# **American Chemical Society Award** For Outstanding 2010 KAMSC Senior in Chemistry

Congratulations to William Thayer

# Chemistry Book Award (10<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This student has a curiosity and a passion for scientific investigation. Through research, he has discovered both the art and science of experimentation.

**Grady Sertic** 

Criteria:

# KAMSC Products...

For item descriptions and to view color options and order, go to KAMSConline.com then MALL. All proceeds from the sale of these garments go to support KAMSC.

# **Physics Book Award**

Criteria: Given to the most outstanding student in the third year KAMSC Physics

course; the student must have shown solid academic success, a strong

work ethic, and a passion and curiosity for learning.

Recipient: Sidney Helmer

# **Biomedical Science Book Award**

Criteria: A strong desire to investigate the marvels of biology, high quality of

work and a desire to go beyond the required.

Recipient: Lisa Freeman

# **Biology Book Award**

Criteria: A demonstrated interest in the life sciences that goes beyond the

classroom. Somebody for whom biology really "pops their twitzel".

Recipients: Alex Lim

# **AP Biology Book Award**

Criteria: A strong desire to investigate the marvels of biology, high quality of

work and a desire to go beyond the required.

Recipient: Fatima Mirza

## Asheesh Bedi Award of Research Excellence

Criteria: Demonstrated evidence of quality research.

Recipients: Abigail Ahlert, Evan Fletcher, Taryn Green, Virginia Greenberger,

Julia Miller, Rachel Rudlaff

# Phil Carra "White Coat Award of Laboratory Excellence"

Criteria: Outstanding achievement for laboratory techniques.

Recipient: Julia Miller

# Don Parfet Distinguished Service Award

Criteria: Kalamazoo Mathematics and Science Center staff recognizes and

Honors the student for service contributions to the KAMSC community.

Recipient: Christina Tarn



# **Junior Engineering Technical Society**

## Varsity A

#### Varsity B

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Matthew Beck	Gina Calco	Melinda Alberty	Abigail Ahlert
Megan Davis	Evan Fletcher	Sidney Helmer (Capt)	Phoebe Huberty
Andrew Hassevoort	Alisha Kamboj (Capt)	Dustin Rowland	Grady Sertic
Ben Mehne	Isabella Wu	Patrick Smith	Calvin Studebaker

3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Michigan Division 2 83<sup>rd</sup> in National Rankings

4<sup>th</sup> Place, Michigan Division 2 124<sup>th</sup> in National Rankings

### A Special Thank You to Our Parent Drivers!

# Congratulations to the winners of the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwest Michigan Science & Engineering Fair

held on March 19, 2010, at the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Western Michigan University. Fifty students from the Kalamazoo Area Mathematics & Science Center and the Battle Creek Math & Science Center entered the fair in hopes of moving on to the Intel International Science & Engineering Fair held in San Jose, CA in May 2010 where students from around the world competed for prizes and scholarship money.



First Place Individual Evan Fletcher Second Place Individual Rachel Rudlaff Third Place Individual Abigail Ahlert First Place Team Mallory Busso,

First Place Team Mallory Busso, Lauren Raycraft
Third Place Team Chelsea Angel, Gina Calco

#### Following is a complete list of awards for the Fair:

First Place Individual Evan Fletcher
Second Place Individual Rachel Rudlaff
Third Place Individual Abigail Ahlert

First Place Team Mallory Busso, Lauren Raycraft Third Place Team Chelsea Angel, Gina Calco

Air Force Awards Taryn Green, Julia Miller

Navy Science Award Ryan D'Mello, Alisha Kamboj

Intel Excellence in

Computer Science Award Ben Mehne

Junior Science Humanities Phoebe Huberty, 4<sup>th</sup> Place – went on to National

Symposium Competition in New Jersey

Junior Science Humanities Joe Billian, Ryan D'Mello, Evan Fletcher, Alisha

Symposium Competitors Kamboj, Travis Mazer, Rachel Rudlaff, Radhika Sharma,

Chelsea Angel, Gina Calco

KAMSC Parent Award Fatima Mirza, Alexandra Morris

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# **Research Team**

Abigail Ahlert The Effects of Proximal Metatarsal Osteotomies on Hallux Valgus

Deformities

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Regional Science Fair

Joe Billian Modeling the Mandibular Morphology of Eocene Mammals; A 3-D

Laser Scanning Approach

**Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor** 

Tracy Broomell The Facts versus Myths of Growing Obesity Rates in America

Taylor Clements Variables that Control or Predict Temporal Variation in Water

Levels in Lakes

Megan Davis The Impact of Various Deicing Salts and Calcium Magnesium

Acetate on the Growth of Radishes

Ryan D'Mello Screening for Novel Immunomodulators Using Flow Cytometry

**Navy Science Award** 

**Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor** 

Andrew Elluru The Effectiveness of Using an X-Cube for Enabling the Study of

Continuous Hydrogenations and other High Pressure Reactions

Evan Fletcher Reducing the Computation Time of a Galactic Interaction Simulation

1<sup>st</sup> Place Regional Science Fair

**Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor** 

Taryn Green The Effects of Scoliosis Curvature on Lumbar Support for Task

Seating

Virginia Greenberger Mapping of Michigan County Diabetes Prevalence Resources and

Medical Care Rates

Sidney Helmer An Investigation into the Behavior of the First G-Model Predicting a

Catastrophic End of the Universe

Phoebe Huberty Lactation Cycle Secretions affect Bovine Mammary Cell Response

to Staphylococcus aureus

4th Place Junior Science Humanities Symposium

Syed Husain Determining the Presence of Coumarin in Varying Types of Vanilla

through Liquid Chromatography

Sherin John Environmental Factors Affecting the Rapid Increase in the

Prevalence of Autism in America

Tibin John The Effect of Drug Eluting Stents on the Behavior of In-Stent

Thrombosis Incidence Rates in Diabetic and Non-Diabetic Patients

Tess Johnson The Strength of the Evidence to Suggest Folic Acid is Associated

with Alzheimer's Disease

Alisha Kamboj Domestic Violence Prevalence Among Pregnant Women and Rate

Of Identification Within Healthcare Setting

**Navy Science Award** 

**Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor** 





Lucas Kushner The Effects of Processed Algae Biomass on Ethanol Production

By Yeast Fermentation

Keenan Lee Determination of Levels of Ascorbic Acid and Degradation over

Time

Alex Liou The Effect of External Stimuli on Hydrogels

Scott Manski Physiochemical Properties of Desiccants – An Analytical Compar-

Ison of Sorption Strength, Capacity and Structural Characteristics

Travis Mazer Evaluating the Economic Efficiency of Government Vaccination

**Programs** 

Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor

Meaghan McCowey Vaccines: Victims of their own Success and Links to Autism

Ben Mehne An Equation-based Method for Storing Image Data

**Intel Excellence in Computer Science Award** 

Julia Miller Using the Nuclear Gene Ccs (Cyclic Carotenoid Capsaicin) to Test

A Previous Solanceae Phylogenic Hypothesis

Fatima Mirza Brain Hemisphere Volume Loss Difference by Gender in

Alzheimer's Disease and Healthy Elderly

**KAMSC Parent Award** 

Alexandra Morris Application of Vibrational Spectroscopies to Monitor Oxidation in

Edible Oils

**KAMSC Parent Award** 

Rachel Rudlaff Evaluation of the Killing Effects of Antibiotics with Equine

Polymorphonuclear Neutrophils against Streptococcus equiand

Rhodococcus equi

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Regional Science Fair

**Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor** 

Radhika Sharma The use of the King Laryngeal Tracheal Airway by EMT's for out-

of-hospital Resuscitation

Junior Science Humanities Symposium Competitor

Calvin Studebaker The Potential of Clostridium sporogenesto produce

1,3-Propanediol from Glycerol

Casey Sunden A Correlation Study Between Student's Facebook use and GPA

William Vorbrich The Consequences of Head Trauma in Football and Possible

**Prevention Techniques** 

Megan Walsh Assessing the risk of Modern Vaccines on Children and

Adolescents

Hannah Ward Analyzing the Rats of Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) Carriage

Between Families with Young Children and Pets

Isabella Wu The use of Heterocyclic Aromatic Amines in the Presences of

Chlorine to Oxidize Alcohols to the Corresponding Keyton

**TEAMS** 

Emma Conner The Evolutionary and Domestication History of Wild, Domesticated,

Madalyn Parker and Weedy Radish

1st Place Team Regional Science Fair

Gloria Han The Performance of Vibrating Wire Strain Gauges (VWSG) with

Nick Wright Respect to Repeatability and Reproducibility

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team Regional Science Fair

Stephen Coles The Comparative Amounts of Resveratrol in Red Wine and Red Grape Juice

Lauren Ripley <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team Regional Science Fair</u>

Ryan D'Mello Determination of a Biomarker for Breast Cancer through a SELEX

Alisha Kamboj Procedure

**KAMSC Parent Award** 

Emily Slade Comparing the Effectiveness of Cumulative Summation, Shewhart,

and Exponentially Weighted Moving Average Control Charts in Detecting

Significant Shifts in a Data Stream KAMSC Parent Award

**Information Technology Book Award** 

Criteria: To an individual who far surpassed the class requirements throughout the year, in Informational

Technology. To a person who not only accepted the challenge, but thrived on it.

Recipient: Rebecca Sigourney

Charity Tarn

**AP Computer Science Book Award** 

Criteria: For four quarters of exceptional Academic Achievement in class and constant extra-

curricular accomplishment outside of class.

Co-Recipients: Mallory Busso, Syed Husain, Tibin John, Dustin Rowland, Calvin Studebaker,

Jacob Texel, Ben VanderSloot, Ben Wang, Kelsey Wiers

**USA Computing Olympiad Awards** 

Gold Award: Evan Fletcher

Silver Awards: Syed Husain, Saurav Lohani, Ben Mehne, Dustin Rowland, Agne Sriubaite, Jacob Texel,

Ben VanderSloot, Benjamin Wang, Isabella Wu

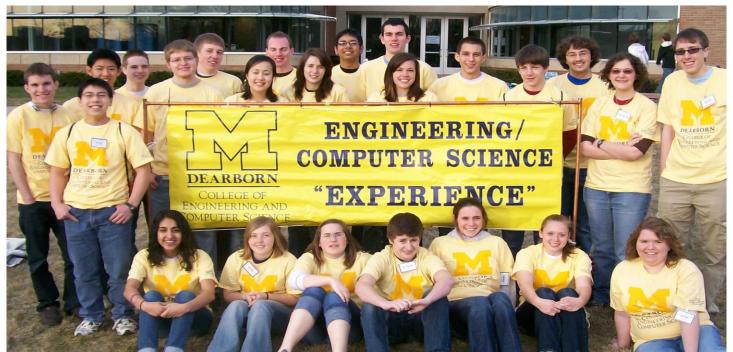
Bronze Awards: Chad Bilicke, Caitlin Braun, Mallory Busso, Faiz Khaja, Patrick Smith, Calvin Studebaker,

Matthew Weaver, Stuart Wheaton, Kelsey Wiers

Graduates -

Before you to go college, be sure you are protected against meningococcal meningitis.

Immunizations are available at the Kalamazoo County HSD Clinic, 3299 Gull Road. Please bring your immunization card. Students under 18 years must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information, including current price, call 373-5240 or 373-5239.



KAMSC 2010 DEARBORN ENGINEERING AND PROGRAMMING TEAMS: Twenty-four Kalamazoo Area Math Science Center juniors and seniors—12 engineers and 12 programmers—teamed up in pairs to compete in the University of Michigan-Dearborn's High School Engineering and Computer Science Experience. From left seated are Alisha Kamboj, Kelsey Wiers, Kes Nagler, Calvin Studebaker, Caitlin Braun, Mallory Busso and Casey Sunden. Standing from left are Dustin Rowland, Ben Wang, Alex Liou, Chad Bilicke, Ben Mehne, Alex Robinson, Isabella Wu, Jacob Lenning, Agne Sriubaite, Syed Husain, Stuart Wheaton, Lauren McGlinn, Faiz Khaja, Ben Vander Sloot, Even Fletcher, Brianna LaBelle-Hahn and Derek Krinock. The team of Fletcher and Vander Sloot placed 2nd overall in programming, each earning \$200 Barns & Noble gift cards. Busso and Braun finished in the Final Four engineering teams and were each awarded \$100 gift cards.

# ACSL CLASSROOM WINNERS 2010



**2009-2010 American Computer Science League Classroom Contest Winners:** Three Kalamazoo Area Math Science Center students proved their versatility with computer science by mastering a variety of challenging topics in computer science and discrete math. Each completed four monthly tests between December 2009 and April 2010 and did so to perfection (40/40). Pictured from left are sophomores Will Sawyer and Allyson Williams, and senior Kelin Michael.

Sophomore Riley Lundquist (*far right*) was an ACSL Outstanding Achievement recipient for scoring 39/40. All attend Portage Northern High School. KAMSC has won the international competition outright 11 of the last 12 years.



KAMSC 2010 EVANSVILLE PROGRAMMING TEAM: Twelve Kalamazoo Area Math and Science Center juniors and seniors competed in teams of 4 at the University of Evansville (Indiana) ACM High School Programming Contest, placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Displaying their awards of plaques, polo shirts, coffee mugs and Best Buy gift certificates are from left: Dustin Rowland, Syed Husain, Saurav Lohani, CJ Hoorn, Ben Vander Sloot, Kelsey Wiers, Ben Mehne, Isabella Wu, Calvin Studebaker Evan Fletcher, Tibin John and Jacob Texel. The team of John, Rowland, Vander Sloot and Texel placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall, earning purple EU polo shirts and \$50 gift certificates. Fletcher, Hoorn, Lohani and Mehne placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and were awarded \$10 gift certificates and coffee mugs



KAMSC 2010 MIAMI PROGRAMMING TEAM: Sixteen juniors and seniors from the KAMSC were among the Midwest's best programming teams in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio at the Miami University (Ohio) ACM High School Programming Contest. Standing from left are Ben Vander Sloot, Tibin John, Saurav Lohani, Chad Bilike, Syed Husain, Patrick Smith, Alex Robinson, Dustin Rowland, Ben Wang, Daniel Houtrouw, Calvin Studebaker, Ben Mehne, Annalin Davis, Jacob Texel, Lucas Kushner and Evan Fletcher. The team of Fletcher, Kushner, Lohani and Mehne placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall. KAMSC's other teams placed 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> out of the 25 teams.

### 2010 ACSL ALL-STAR TEAM





**Programmer Whiz Kids:** Eight of the Kalamazoo Area Math Science Center's best programmers and computer science students competed against some of the best teams from Europe, Canada and the US in the American Computer Science League All-Star International Invitational. KAMSC's Intermediate team placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Discrete Math and CS topics, and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall behind Woburn of Canada.

KAMSC's Senior team also placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Discrete Math and CS topics and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. Showing their awards (*front left*) are Isabella Wu and Kelsey Wiers (*back row*) team advisor Shannon Houtrouw, C.J. Hoorn, Ben Mehne, Saurav Lohani, Calvin Studebaker, Ben Vander Sloot & Syed Husain. Hoorn, Mehne and Vander Sloot were given special honors for receiving perfect individual scores.

#### **2010 Code Warrior Inductees**

Seniors: Christopher Hoorn, Lucas Kushner, Agne Sriubaite, Isabella Wu

Junior: Dustin Rowland Sophomores: Matthew Weaver

#### **Linkages Online**

Issues of Linkages are now available electronically from the KAMSC website. The URL is http://www.kamsconline.com.

# Welcome Class of 2014!

Name	Home School	College/University	Current Career Plan	Name	Home School	College/University	Current Career Plan
Alberty, Melinda	Portage Central	U Michigan (Engineering)	Aerospace Engineer	Kushner, Lucas	Portage Central		Software Engineer
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8/31	New Student Orientation
9/6	LABOR DAY - No School
9/8	KAMSC Students First Day
9/15	KAMSC Open House
9/22	Open Lab Begins
9/22	Frosh Mixer
9/29	College Night
11/5	No County Programs – No School
11/17 & 18	Parent Teacher Conferences, PM
11/19	Parent Teacher Conferences, AM & PM- NO SCHOOL
11/24	No County Programs - No School
11/25 & 26	THANKSGIVING BREAK
12/1	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Open House
12/17	KAMSC Alumni Open House
12/20 - 12/31	Winter Recess
1/3	School Resumes
1/17, 18, 19	EXAMS
1/21	Records Day - No Students
1/24	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Begins
1/28	No County Programs – No School
2/25 & 2/28	Mid-Winter Break – No School
3/25	Grades Due - No Students
3/29 & 3/30	Parent/Teacher Conferences PM
3/31	Parent/Teacher Conferences AM – <b>NO School</b>
4/1	No School
4/4 - 4/8	Spring Break