



**Odyssey of the Mind**

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## 1991 World Finals Site Selected

**O**M Association has selected the **University of Tennessee at Knoxville** as site of the **1991 World Finals**. Situated in the heart of the Tennessee Valley and surrounded by the Great Smoky Mountains, the campus provides a beautiful setting for a world finals. Within walking distance of the campus sits the 1982 world's fair site with its eye-catching Sunsphere. And just a few miles away, one can visit Oak Ridge, with several admission free sites of interest; Dollywood; the Museum of Appalachia; and the resort town of Gatlinburg.

Bordering on eight states and with three interstate highways connecting in Knoxville, the site is within driving distance for many teams. In addition to excellent facilities, the university houses one of the USA's top swimming complexes with an olympic size indoor pool and an adjacent outdoor pool.

We look forward to traveling to "Big Orange" territory to have our first world finals in the southern United States.



*The world's fair Sunsphere, located in Knoxville, will welcome world finalists.*



## Access to Clarifications Via Modem Now Available to Members

**O**dysey of the Mind members can now access the OM Association computer to obtain problem clarifications. By selecting the long-term problem by its problem number, the member (remote user) can browse clarifications on the computer screen. Depending upon the remote user's equipment, clarifications can also be printed. To access, the remote user needs the following minimum equipment:

1. a non-intelligent terminal
2. a modem connected to a telephone jack that can be dedicated while accessing the OM computer.

In order to down load the clarifications, the remote user needs the following:

1. a computer
2. a modem set up as above
3. a floppy or hard disk drive
4. a communications package

New clarifications usually are not made daily. Keep in mind that days or weeks may go by before a new clarification is issued.

The telephone number is 1 (609) 881-0562. Log on as OM Member. The password is OMer. You should be able to follow the menus from that point on.

If you have trouble accessing the system and wish to obtain printed documentation on how to access the OM Association computer, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to MODEM, c/o OM Association, P.O. Box 27, Glassboro, NJ 08028.



## *Albert Oliver Receives Distinguished Service Award*


At its December 2 directors' meeting, OM Association board members awarded Dr. Albert I. Oliver its Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Oliver, University of Pennsylvania Professor Emeritus, is primarily responsible for starting OM in Pennsylvania. Dr. Oliver served on the OM Board of Directors from its beginning in 1982 until 1989. He also has served as editor of the OM quarterly newsletter and has always been ready to serve gladly in any capacity he was asked.

Dr. Oliver resides in Broomall, Pennsylvania with his wife, Barbara. Now retired, he spends many hours perfecting his strokes on the Merion Golf Course.



*Dr. Albert Oliver received the Distinguished Service Award from OM Association chairperson, Carole Micklus.*

## OM Notes


- \* **"Cost**—anything that shows up in solution or style." — **Kathy Martinchek**, OM coaches' workshop presenter.
- \* Under coach **Joyce Johnston's** guidance, **Brookhaven Middle School Odyssey of the Mind** team members from Decatur, Alabama, designed a brochure for the city's "Adopt-A-Spot" Program. The Decatur Beautification Committee uses the brochure to solicit individuals, groups, and businesses to demonstrate their desire for a clean community by "adopting" a spot in Decatur and keeping it clean. It's great that OMerS get involved in local projects that positively publicize their association with OM. Later, when the team may need donations, townspeople already will be familiar with OM.
- \* **Regina O'Brien**, Georgia OM Association Director, tells us that **IBM Atlanta** donated \$2,500 to enable the Georgia association to print a 1990 calendar. The calendar, featuring the thirteen 1989 Georgia world finalists, will be sold as a fund raiser to help defray the 1990 Georgia world finalists' travel expenses.
- \* A teacher or coach looking for a math activity to do with Odyssey of the Mind team members may wish to consider the following. Have the children develop a budget for their team expenditures. Include the possibility the team may have to obtain funding to attend world finals. Then, have the team brainstorm ways to fund its budget. The team can then proceed with ideas to learn just how realistic is the original budget.
- \* The following colleges/universities have joined OM as members for the 1989-90 membership year: **Manhattan College, the University of Minnesota, the University of Denver, the University of Pennsylvania, and the Citadel.**
- \* OM Association encourages the chartered associations to develop summer enrichment programs based on the Odyssey of the Mind model. The **Oklahoma, New Jersey, Iowa, and Pennsylvania Associations** plan to begin participation by next summer. Contact your association director for more information about your association's specific participation.
- \* Remember to have your entries of how to reduce the United States Federal Deficit to our office by **February 16.**
- \* **Hari Huff**, California OM Association's co-director, seems extremely successful in soliciting judges. She reports that she solicits from the education departments of nearby colleges and even junior colleges. The California State Department requires potential teachers to have experience working with children; and judging fulfills this requirement.
- \* The folks in the Soviet Union who attended world finals are working to make the **Troitsk Moscow Region** a chartered OM association.
- \* **Pat Everett**, Odyssey of the Mind Program coordinator in Spencerport, New York, was featured in the "Good Neighbor" section of the *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle* newspaper. Everett was signalled out because of her dedication to helping children develop creativity.
- \* The **Maine OM Association** newsletter contains a section on "What Ifs," a situation that really happens where a spontaneous decision had to be made. Example: A team's props will not arrive in time for competition, what are its options? The reader now tries to come up with an answer.
- \* Look at your competitions for the items OM Association makes available to our chartered associations to sell on consignment. Some of you saw our **new character t-shirts**, great sellers last year. This year we've added **Cookie and Milkweed**, the koala twins; and **PC**, the computer expert. Additional new items for the year include brightly-colored **neon hats**; **OMer ink stamps** that read "I Love Creativity;" a **tumbler** with OMer and his friends on it; and another **OMerkin, Rose**. They should be hits. 

## Leonard's "Great Art" Still Hangs at Dinwiddie Middle School

Susan Nunemaker, Virginia OM's association director, recently reported on one of her former students, Leonard. In ninth grade, Leonard, a potential high school dropout, was eighteen years old. He was bright, but would not come to school.

Because of his outstanding artistic ability, Leonard was asked by his peers to tryout for their Odyssey of the Mind team that wanted to do the long-term problem *Great Art Lives*. He tried out and made the team. The team won its regional and state competitions. And, Leonard won an individual Ranatra Fusca Award at states. The team went to world finals at Northern Arizona University.

"The involvement that he was special because other students wanted him on their team kept Leonard in school in ninth grade," says Susan Nunemaker.

Last year, Leonard graduated from high school and now attends medic school in the Air Force. His "Great Art" is still proudly displayed at Dinwiddie Middle School. 

## OM VIDEOS WIN AWARDS

The **generic open** to the OM-produced videotapes won a silver plaque in the prestigious Chicago International Film and Video Festival's **Intercom** Competition, a competition for industrial producers of television and film. The forty-three second piece of computer animation was story boarded by Sam and Carole Micklus and produced and directed by Ned Eckhardt at NFL Films in New Jersey. Intercom celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary and is an international awards competition.

The **1988 Odyssey of the Mind World Finals videotape** was a finalist in the International Television Association's 1988 Golden Reel Awards. And, the **1989 Odyssey of the Mind World Finals videotape** is a finalist in the International Television Association's New Jersey chapter's 1989 video awards contest. Speaking on the fact that OM Association is such a small corporation compared to the larger corporations that enter their films in this contest, Eckhardt says, "This award is like David slaying Goliath."

## South Dakota OMer Gets Recognized

In celebration of South Dakota's centennial year, the state sponsored an essay contest. Students were asked to write a personal education plan listing their goals for the school year, how they would keep away from drugs, and what they could do to help determine their community's future. Twelve winners were selected to present their plans in person to President Bush at a centennial celebration in Sioux Falls on September 18. Abran Kean, a 1989 OM world finalist, was one of them. His essay follows.

### In 1989 . . .

*In the 1989 school year,  
many subjects will appear.*

*English, math, science, social studies,  
p.e. and religion with my buddies.*

*One goal I want to work toward,  
is the Presidential Physical Fitness Award.*

*I want to be in Odyssey of the Mind,  
to create something that's one of a kind.*

*I plan to do my best,  
and pass each of my fourth grade tests.*

*In the 1989 school year,  
I'm going to stay away from beer.*

*If you choose to drink and drive,  
you are unlikely to survive.*

*I'd rather take the flack,  
than get a need for crack.*

*Who wants to die,  
on a costly 10 minute high.*

*I plan to **JUST SAY NO**,  
I believe that's the only way to go.*

*In the 1989 school year,  
I'll pick up trash and that's sincere.*

*In my neighborhood I won't litter,  
so it will continue to glitter.*

*To keep this beautiful nation,  
we need to think conservation.*

*Save water, animals, plants, and trees,  
recycling is one of the keys.*

*Preservation is a must,  
so our Earth won't turn to dust.*

For the *Recycle* problem, please note that the tournament director will provide an electrical outlet. Also, the tournament director will layout the course, as per figure A. on the problem, with the trash and hazards in approximately the same place. They will not be measured.


## BRAD HUFF AND MOLLY HANKINS SELECTED TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Dr. Brad Huff, California OM Association's co-director, will receive the California Association for Gifted's Teacher of the Year Award on February 17 at the annual TAG convention in Fresno. Huff teaches gifted students, as well as students not identified as gifted, at Edison Computech in Fresno.

"I've never known him to say no to a student. He makes them think," proudly states his wife and association co-director, Hari.

Huff first became associated with the Odyssey of the Mind Program while a science teacher in Geneseo, New York. In fact, one of his former students at Geneseo recently called him to say what a positive impact Huff had on the student's life. To publicize the OM Program, a New York *PM Magazine* featured Huff and his fourth place world finals team on one of its segments.

In 1987, the Huffs became directors of the California OM Association. Subsequently, they divided the state into regional competitions. The California association has grown at a rapid rate ever since.

**Molly Hankins**, Palmer Junior High School's IMPACT teacher, was selected by a statewide education panel as **Missouri's Teacher of the Year**. Hankins coached Palmer Junior High School's *Gift of Flight* team, third place finishers at the 1988 World Finals. She also serves as an OM regional co-director. 

## A Clever Fund Raiser Raised School Spirit As Well As Money

**Sue Torr**, coach of **Essex Elementary School's** Division I *Just In Time* team, wrote the following article about how her team raised \$2,000 and school spirit at the same time.

Our team, Essex Elementary, Baltimore County Schools, was privileged to participate in the 1989 World Finals in Boulder. As we brainstormed ideas to raise money to fund the team's trip, one particular idea was generated and further developed by the whole school staff. The event was successful in raising money and school spirit.

We held a PARADE/WALK-ATHON to involve all students, teachers, and community members. Students in grades one through five obtained sponsors who donated a voluntary amount of money per block marched.

The school prepared for the parade by making banners, flags, and creating cheers. Band members practiced a peppy tune to play in the parade. The PTA president offered his decorated truck in which the team members rode. The parade was led by a fire engine from the Essex fire station and accompanied by the Baltimore County Police Department.

As the entire school paraded through the Essex business district, store employees and customers waved and cheered in honor of the OM team. This special event received coverage in the *Baltimore Sun* newspaper. The experience allowed the team's first place win at the state level to impact on the entire school community.




*Purifico, world finals' staging area judge, hamming it up with team members.*

## OM Spotlight

Bob Purifico, New Jersey's OM association director for the past seven years, is OM's choice as the association director to be in the OM spotlight. Bob works as an assistant principal at Carusi Junior High School in Cherry Hill. He is vice president of the OM Association board of directors. Bob also serves as chairperson of the OM Association's Membership Task Force Committee, helps with the OM training videotapes, serves as a head judge at world finals, is employed as the OM Summer Enrichment Program's chief administrator, and helped to write the OM judges' rule book and the *Directors' Manual*.

Under Bob's tutelage, the New Jersey OM Association developed the prototype of regional directors and regional competitions that other OM chartered associations now model. OM began in New Jersey. Therefore, the New Jersey OM Association was close by to provide the foundation, such as tournaments and workshops, upon which much of OM was built.

Bob has been involved in nearly every facet of OM—from being a coach to serving as association director. During his early involvement with OM, Bob coached sixteen teams at one time—some coaches think they have it tough coaching one team.

Bob and Mary Lou, his wife for twelve years, live in Marlton, New Jersey, with their three children, Nicholas, Jenna, and Alisa. 

### *How Quick-Witted Are You?*

To test your quick-wittedness, try to come up with a word that relates to the first three words. Example: birthday, surprise, line. The answer is party.

sixteen	cookies	heart
golf	village	light
oak	show	plan
base	snow	dance
blue	cottage	rat
nap	bird	call
foot	golf	country
tiger	news	plate
painting	bowl	nail
maple	beet	loaf

## Helpful Reminders to Coaches

*(Taken from the Texas Odyssey of the Mind newsletter)*

1. Make certain your team members' parents are informed as to what is happening with the teams.
2. You should know your membership number when contacting the OM Association.
3. You may wish to purchase an *Odyssey of the Mind Program Handbook* (\$9.00 apiece from OM Association) for each coach. Members have the right to copy it for their use.
4. Problem clarifications in the fall and winter OM newsletters **aren't** as current as they probably would be from sending in a self-addressed stamped envelope.
5. **Save all receipts** from the purchases of long-term problem solution materials in case judges question your costs.
6. Membership cards are not sent until the OM office receives the actual payment. However, membership materials are sent upon receipt of a purchase order.
7. OM Association will not honor problem clarifications after March 1. Regional and state/provincial tournaments, however, may set an **earlier** date after which it will not honor new clarifications.
8. Memberships listed with a PROG, category B or category D, are limited to enter in competition **one team per problem**.
9. Your team does not have to enter competition. You may wish to use the materials solely within the school.
10. **All ideas must come from the students, and all work must be done by the students. Help all parents know this rule.**
11. It always helps to season your team(s) by having it perform in front of numerous audiences in different environments. You can never be assured that the floor surface, electrical outlet location, lighting in room and judging team location will be the same as the situation your team uses to practice.
12. If you have any questions specific to the problem, be sure to write to OM Association on the provided PROBLEM CLARIFICATION FORM located in your program handbook. Remember, every problem may not have problem clarifications.
13. Questions related to the regional tournament should be directed to your regional director or regional representative.
14. Take the time to invite your **principals, superintendent, school board members and legislators** to come and watch your teams perform. OM sells itself if we can only get the people to see what OM is!

# Problem Clarifications

Printed in the fall and winter issues of the newsletter, the following problem clarifications were issued as of December 11.

## Geographic Odyssey

- If a country spans more than one continent, the team may designate which continent it wishes to use. That is, if a team chooses the Soviet Union, it may say it is in Europe and may also use China which is in Asia. Or, it may say it is in Asia and may also use Germany which is in Europe. However, it may not use the Soviet Union, China and Germany.
- The flag bases may be separate from the poles. However, they must be placed in the 20" x 20" flag locations during the two-minute race period. The bases must support the flag poles and display the flags in a reasonably traditional manner.
- The portrayals should take place inside the space defined by the flag location squares, not inside the 20" x 20" squares themselves.
- The staging area judge must be able to check the method of propulsion. Thus, if you have it covered, you must be able to expose it just prior to your performance. You may recover it for your performance.
- You may not use the motion of the oars to store energy which propels the vehicle.
- The aspects portrayed must be from the present or the past. The current flag must be the one represented.
- The primary criteria governing the propulsion system is that either the pushing OR the pulling of the oar(s) provides the force to propel the vehicle.
- The rowing motion used to push and pull the oar(s) must appear to the judges as the normal movement used in rowing a boat or paddling a canoe or kayak. It may be done by using the arms or the legs. The oar(s) may be in any position and may be pushed or pulled by someone in any position, vertical, horizontal or diagonal.
- If the judges question the authenticity of a country, the team must be prepared to document its choice(s).
- Touching the floor indirectly during the flag placement race means that if the team member uses a device to place the flags, the device may not touch the floor.

## Seven Wonders of the World

- The replacements may be team developed or created. They must have happened or be real products. For example, for an architectural achievement you could use the Golden Gate Bridge or a bridge made by team members and/or other folks to cross a stream, but you could not use an imaginary bridge across the Atlantic Ocean.
- Humans may not be used as replacements. They are considered the same as natural wonders.
- In B. 4. d., one replacement must be described in (1); one as in (2); one as in (3); one as in (4); and one as in (5). They must all meet the requirements of (6) and (7).

- Reproductions of the pyramids may be made from whatever time period the team can (or chooses to) document.

## Structures in Harmony

- \* Only the parts weighed in at the pre-assembly weigh-in may be used to make the structure. If one breaks during the assembly, the team must make the structure with the parts it has weighed in.
- No more than five of the seven team members may be in the assembly area. However, they do not have to be the same five that compete at the testing site during the eight-minute timed period.
- Prefabricated parts must have pins removed before pre-assembly weigh-in. Pins used to assemble the final structure must be weighed in at pre-assembly and may remain in the final structure when testing.
- The 10" x 10" limitation is applicable through the whole height of the structure.
- The maximum thickness of a 1/8" strip of balsa is .135 and the minimum thickness of a 1/16" strip of balsa is .0575.
- An extension for the tester's safety pipe should be available. This should fit into the safety pipe of the tester at least three inches and extend 12" above the original pipe.

\* Also printed in the fall newsletter.

# FYI

The 1989 OM scholarship winners currently attend the following higher education institutions. All scholarships, except GMI's, were provided by monies from the **Chevron Corporation** and the **Honda Foundation**.

Michael Alexander <i>Rochester Institute of Technology</i>	Dawn Kilian <i>Doane College</i>
Larissa Renee Baer <i>University of Utah</i>	Maeghan Tara Maloney <i>Swarthmore College</i>
Lee Ann Marie Bates <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i>	Kenneth Marchek <i>GMI Engineering &amp; Management Institute</i>
Ian Martin Blasch <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i>	Aimee Lynn Morgan <i>Marietta College</i>
Kyle William Blasch <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i>	David Charles Morgan <i>Drexel University</i>
Bethany Bemis Brockman <i>Colorado College</i>	Norvin Richards <i>Cornell University</i>
Alan Louis Brott <i>SUC-Geneseo</i>	Christina Rae Rufus <i>Cornell University</i>
Bonny Chen <i>The University of Michigan</i>	Tracy Lynn Safris <i>Gustavus Adolphus College</i>
Stephen Montgomery Cox <i>Harvard College</i>	Erika Lynn Schroth <i>Concordia College</i>
John Michael Domm <i>Monroe Community College</i>	Darlene Renee Sellers <i>Gonzaga University</i>
Joshua David Fagans <i>The College of Wooster</i>	Karen Gayle Slauson <i>Wallace Community College</i>
Daniel Kenneth Faiver <i>The University of Michigan</i>	Laura Kathryn Smith <i>University of Alabama</i>
Michael Garland <i>Carnegie Mellon University</i>	James Broward Story <i>University of South Carolina</i>
Heather Diane Genetti <i>Colgate University</i>	Casey Matthew Swaney <i>Bethany College</i>
Allison Suzann Hoffman <i>Dartmouth College</i>	Krista Anette Undeberg <i>Washington State University</i>
Laura Johnson <i>Oklahoma State University</i>	Gary Alan Wright <i>The University of Akron</i>
Jean Marie Kelley <i>University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse</i>	Michele Elizabeth Zavada <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i>
Lyn Ann Kestenholtz <i>Michigan State University</i>	

## The Spirit of the Problem

Connie Hartshom, OM coordinator and coach in Minnesota, sent us this poem written by eighth grader, Lindsay Berdan, from Minnetonka Jr. High School.

The big day,  
The day that we,  
A team of seven people,  
Had prepared for.

We worked,  
And dreamed,  
And argued,  
And cried.

We laughed,  
And giggled,  
And wrote,  
And tried.

Four months of  
Long, hard work,  
Giving up spare time  
And Saturday morning cartoons.

Just for eight minutes.  
Eight minutes of our whole lifetime.  
Four hundred and eighty seconds,  
In which we act.

We speak,  
And move,  
And dance,  
And sing.

We worked,  
For this moment,  
To do our thing.

And now,  
By some strange force,  
We are all crowded  
Into a small auditorium.

Watching one person  
Behind the podium.  
She is the one who  
Gives us another month.  
Another eight minutes  
To try again.

Some make it,  
Some don't.

Everyone in that auditorium  
Is wishing, hoping  
That one magical  
Person on that stage,  
Will announce their team  
The winner.

What these people,  
Crammed into that  
Auditorium,  
Don't know,  
Is that they are already  
Winners.

They worked,  
And dreamed,  
And argued,  
And cried.

They laughed,  
And giggled,  
And wrote,  
And tried.

They tried,  
They gave their best.  
They tried.


And that to me,  
Is the Spirit of the Problem.

## Creativity Festival to be Held at World Finals

Due to the scarcity of tours at the 1987 World Finals at Central Michigan University, OM held its first, and so far only, creativity festival. Even withstanding an atypical heat wave and with no air conditioning in the facility, participants enjoyed the novel event.

What is an OM creativity festival? Well, just imagine a large recreational facility such as a gymnasium. Then, picture this facility with over fifty separate areas called booths set up with theatrical backdrops sectioning the area. This is the setting.

Now, add team members, parents, coaches, and team supporters manning each booth and trying to entice people to try the creative activity the association or team developed just for the festival. Each world finals team receives a pre-determined number of specially designed metal tokens with Omer's face on them. In order to participate in the creative activity, participants must turn in a certain number of tokens. Additional tokens may be purchased at the festival. At the festival's conclusion, the top three chartered association weighing in with the most tokens receive cash from OM.

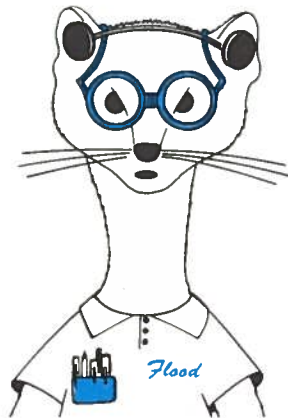
The Southwestern Ontario Association had the most tokens at the 1987 World Finals. Its creative activity tested the participant's kissing power via mannequins attached to a computer. Each participant received a computer printout of his/her kissing power. 

# OMER

BY Sam Nicklas



Coach Al: Hi, team! Let's try creative math. Flood, give us a problem and call on someone to answer it.



Flood: O.K., Coach. Three animals stop at an inn. The room is \$30. They pay \$10 each. Later the innkeeper tells the bellhop that the room isn't worth \$30, so he gives the bellhop five \$1 bills to

return to the travelers. The bellhop didn't know how to divide the five dollars between three animals, so he kept two and returned three. Now the travelers paid \$9.00 each.  $\$3 \times \$9 = \$27$  and the bellhop kept \$2.  $\$27 + \$2 = \$29$  and they paid \$30. What happened to the other dollar? . . . Chipper?



Chipper: Ahh . . . hmmm . . . oh . . . (choke) . . . it went to the federal deficit?

# Briefly Speaking

The following board briefs were taken from minutes of the OM Association board of directors' meeting held May 28, 1989 at the University of Colorado. They were approved at the December 2 meeting.

The following motions were made and carried:

- \* To correct the minutes from the March 5, 1989 meeting to include Kathy Martinchek's name, but to note that she was not in attendance.
- \* To accept the treasurer's report.
- \* To accept the scholarship report.

The following discussions or reports took place:

- \* Chairperson Carole Micklus gave a membership report that a total of 6,749 members joined OM for 1988-89.
- \* Carole Micklus also reported that Bob Purifico was re-elected by the Program Governance Committee to the OM Association Board of Directors for a three-year term of office.
- \* Bill Jones reported on the activities involved in getting the Soviet team to attend world finals. OM is sponsoring a trip to the Soviet Union to help the team raise money. He is trying to get teams from additional countries to attend world finals.
- \* The directors evaluated the world finals' awards ceremony procedures. Several suggestions were made for improvement. Stone/Hallinan, Inc. was commended for making a wonderful contribution to the success of this year's awards ceremony.
- \* The Lipper Award Committee was lauded for choosing Chuck Jones as this year's recipient. (Mr. Jones created Road Runner, Bugs Bunny, Wile E. Coyote, Porky Pig and others.)
- \* Bob Purifico gave a report on the Association Growth Task Force.
- \* Ron Todd stated 200 people responded to the *Ties Magazine* article in the OM newsletter.
- \* Sam Micklus reported that the Department of Defense Dependents' Schools (DODDS) held their first regional competition in England in May.

# A New Book Now Available



A new 128 page book, *Problems to Challenge Creativity* by Dr. C. Samuel Micklus, is now available. The book contains fifteen previous long-term problems, twenty-nine verbal spontaneous problems, and twenty-one non-linguistic spontaneous problems. The spontaneous problems were used at various levels of past competitions. If you order now you will receive your copy prior to most competition dates. Please fill out and return the order form below with your order. The book's cost is \$16.95. Add \$1.75 shipping and handling for the first book and \$1 for each additional one. Outside North America, shipping and handling is \$4 per book.

*Problems to Challenge Creativity* discusses the skills that are developed when utilizing creativity in problem solving and their vitality outside of *Odyssey of the Mind*. It also presents an opinion that creativity can be taught.

Between the ready-to-use problems and the informative opinions expressed in *Problems to Challenge Creativity*, it is likely that everyone who reads it will end up feeling like a winner. Who knows, maybe reading it will make your team a champion!

Enclosed is check # \_\_\_\_\_ payable in US funds  
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## Fun Names Continue

The "Fun Names" that appeared in the fall newsletter inspired Rene Goodwin, an OM office staff member, to write her own answers. Her sense of humor shows through in her replies:

- |         |                 |
|---------|-----------------|
| Cow     | Elmer Cudd      |
| Camel   | Donald Hump     |
| Termite | Woody Allen     |
| Moose   | Stan Moosial    |
| Sheep   | Baa Baa Walters |
| Giraffe | Neck Nolte      |
| Duck    | Quack Paar      |
| Frog    | Joan Ribbett    |



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	TX 1/30		3/17	St John's Arena, Steubenville
	VA 2/01		PA Regionals	3/10
	WY 1/15		3/10	Abington H S, Abington
			3/10	Berwick H S, Berwick
			3/10	Moon Area H S, Coraopolis
			3/17	Linesville H S and Ele Sch, Linesville
<b>Competition Dates</b>			SC Regionals	3/10
AB Provincial	3/30-31	County Central H S, Vulcan	3/10	SC St College, Orangeburg
AR Regionals	3/10	Clarksville	4/10	Travelers Rest H S, Travelers Rest
	3/10	Arkansas St Univ., Jonesboro		USC, Columbia
	3/10	Beebe H S, Beebe	TN Regionals	3/03
	3/10	Ouachita Baptist Univ., Arkadelphia	3/03	Memphis Harding Academy, Memphis
	3/10	Pine Bluff H S, Pine Bluff	3/03	Dickson County H S, Dickson
State	4/07	Mills H S, Little Rock	4/07	Sullivan South H S, Kingsport
CA Regionals	2/24	Florin H S, Sacramento	TX Sub-Regionals	2/10
	3/03	Cajon H S, San Bernardino	2/10	Nimitz H S, Houston
	3/10	Willis Jepson JHS, Vacaville	2/10	Klein Oaks H S, Klein
	3/10	Minnie Cannon Sch, Middletown	2/10	Oakridge H S, Conroe
	3/10	Amador H S, Sutter Creek	2/10	Revere Mid Sch, Houston
DE State	2/03	(Change of date)	Regionals	3/03
FL Regional	3/10	Southwest JHS, Palm Bay	3/03	N. Harris Cty College and Nimitz H S, Houston
ID State	3/24	Univ-ID SUB, Moscow	4/06-07	Univ-TX, Tyler
MA Regionals	3/10	N Middlesex Reg H S., Townsend	VA Regionals	3/03
	3/17	Falmouth H S, Falmouth	3/03	Louisa H S, Mineral
	3/31	Shrewsbury Mid Sch, Shrewsbury	3/10	Handley H S, Winchester
State	4/07	Triton Reg H S, Byfield	3/10	Menchville H S, Newport News
MD Regional	3/24	Catonsville Community College, Catonsville	3/10	Colonial Heights JHS, Colonial Heights
MN Regionals	2/17	St Peter H S, St Peter	3/10	VPI, Blacksburg
	2/24	Armstrong H S, Plymouth	3/17	Hermitage H S, Richmond
	3/03	Minnetonka H S, Minnetonka	3/17	Indian River H S, Chesapeake
	3/03	Harding H S, St Paul	3/24	Richlands Sch Complex, Richlands
	3/10	Anoka-Ramsey Comm College, Anoka	4/28	Liberty Mid Sch, Ashland
	3/17	Univ WI-Superior	WA Regionals	The College of Wm and Mary, Williamsburg
NY Regionals	1/10	College Union, SUNY-Geneseo	3/03	Northwood JHS, Spokane
	2/03	Holcomb School, SUNY-Geneseo	3/10	Bethel H S, Spanaway
	2/12	College Union, SUNY-Geneseo	3/31	Central WA Univ, Ellensburg
	3/14	College Union, SUNY-Geneseo	WI Regionals	3/10
OH Sub-Regionals	2/10	Ontario H S, Ontario	3/10	Aldrich JHS, Beloit
	2/24	Lorain Cty Joint Voc Sch, Oberlin	3/17	Univ. WI-River Falls, River Falls
Regionals	3/10	Edison St Comm College, Piqua	3/17	Sturgeon Bay H S, Sturgeon Bay
	3/10	Ashland H S, Ashland	3/17	Walker M S, Sturgeon Bay
	3/16-17	OH Wesleyan Univ, Delaware	3/17	Appleton H S East, Appleton
	3/17	DeVilbiss H S, Toledo	3/17	Wittenberg-Birnamwood H S, Wittenberg
	3/17	Sinclair Comm College, Dayton	3/17	Bay Port H S, Green Bay
	3/17	OH Univ-Chillicothe	3/24	Menasha H S, Menasha
			3/31	Ben Franklin JHS, Stevens Point
			WY State	2/24
				Cam-plex, Gillette