



The Trumbull Yale Physics Olympics team with the toothpick structure they designed in the Yale physics lab. From left are Michael Madden, Joanna Suriani, Robin Lo and Lauren Walkup.

## Trumbull High team wins physics event

The Trumbull High School team won first place in the Matter of Some Gravity Event at the Yale Physics Olympics Oct. 24.

The event involved estimating the approach time of astronauts accelerating toward each other due to their own gravitational attraction. The estimate of the team members — Robin Lo, Michael Madden, Joanna Suriani, and Lauren Walkup — was the most accurate of all the competing teams.

This year's field of 50 teams came not only from Connecticut, but from New York and Rhode Island to test their creative problem-solving abilities in a series of events developed by the Yale University Physics Department. The team's adviser is Hans Drenkard.