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## PRESIDENT

by ICA President Walter M. Brown, Jr.

The 1986 chess year is about to begin. It will probably include another world championship match between Karpov and Kasparov, with Karpov trying to win his title back. In Illinois, it is hoped that the regular events are all back again. This means that Master Challenge will make another successful appearance, along with other events put on by the Forest Park Chess Club such as the Polgar simul which was held in October.

Another tournament that will be back in March as usual will be the Midwest Masters, which is getting stronger every year. This tournament, created by Helen Warren, had 56 participants last year. 1986 will see the fourth running of this event.

Another March tournament is not in Illinois, but in Las Vegas: the National Open, run by Fred Gruenberg. In 1985 the tournament had 600+ participants. It is going to be some tournament if that figure is surpassed. The prize fund has been increased this year and it could very well draw more players than in 1985.

The Prairie State Invitational is scheduled to appear a second time. This tournament is for masters and experts, and was held in May at the College of Lake County in 1985.

Will other regular tournaments re-appear? 1985 did include a Greater Chicago Open but not a Put The Fun Back. It is hoped that they both appear again in 1986. The regular tournaments run by Jules Stein at the Chicago Chess Center will be back, as will the tournaments in the northern counties along Lake Michigan, run by Tim Just and his fellow workers.

In other areas of Illinois, several cities have their regular tournaments. They include the Peoria tournaments as well as Springfield, Rockford, and Champaign-Urbana.

For the junior players there are several tournaments. Larry Stilwell holds a couple regularly at Proviso West. The Illinois High School Association has their annual team tournament and individual tournament to determine the state high school champion. The ICA will again have a Junior Championship as well as sending a representative to the U.S. Open to participate in the concurrent high school event. The 1986 U.S. Open will be in New Jersey.

ICA will have its usual events. These include the Illinois Open, which determines the state champion. This tournament, traditionally held on Labor Day weekend, had a prize fund of \$3,000 in 1985. The Illinois Class will be back, as well as the various Officers' Tornados. There will again be an Illinois Chess Tour; the first Tour event will be the Tim Just Winter Open right after the first of the year.

With all the tournaments around, one could play every weekend. ICA hopes to see you at its regular tournaments, and encourages you to support the tour tournaments as well as those not on the tour.

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From the

## EDITOR

by Bill Smythe

Citing lack of "enough time to do a good job now that I am back in school" and flagging "interest in chasing after contributors to make sure they keep their promises", ICB editor David Sprengle has resigned. David's insightful analysis, expert paste ups, good humor, and plain hard work will be sorely missed. More goes into the preparation of a state chess magazine than any person could know who has not done it himself.

As a result of Dave's departure, a new editor (me) has been pressed into service, and this issue is -- what else is new? -- extremely late. During the coming year, we plan to try to gain about 1 week per issue, so that by 1987 we can legitimately call the first issue of the year "January-February" instead of just "February".

There are a lot of people in ICA who really want this Bulletin to succeed, and have done their best to make that happen by contributing articles, photos, games and crosstables to this issue, and by badgering others to do the same. You will note contributions by Walter Brown, Fred Gruenberg, Eric Schiller, Steve Healy, Jim Just, Guy Gruenberg, Lester VanMeter, Helen Warren, and others. In fact, we had more material than we could use, so that we were forced to omit some contributions or hold them for future issues.

We don't want the contributions to slow down, however. If you have something publishable, send it in -- let's keep the glut going!

Just what should you expect from a Smythe chess magazine? It may come to resemble my opening repertoire -- bizarre, silly, unlike anything else on land or sea. There will probably be more crosstables (people like to see their name in lights), fewer games (although there are a fair number in this issue), less high-level opening analysis, and more emphasis on Illinois chess news. You will, of course, have to put up with a few of my pet ideas. For example, I hate games printed in linear format (too hard to read). With the exception of unannotated games, all games printed in these pages during my reign of terror will be in column format.

One feature I would like to implement in a big way is a Letters to the Editor column. So, if I have enraged you in any way [if I haven't, I'll try harder next time], send us a letter for publication. We begin with a letter from Fred Gruenberg, below, in which he exhorts all of us to go west young man (young woman, old man, old woman).

I hope, also, that you will forgive the use of my dot matrix printer throughout the magazine. Maybe I'm prejudiced in favor of anything that looks like a computer, but I happen to prefer this printer (Epson MX-80 in Emphasized mode) over most daisy wheels and electric typewriters. Bigger, bolder, and all that. In any case, it's what I've got, so you're stuck with it.

Enough of me; on with the magazine.

Bill Smythe

## LETTERS. . . . .

To all ICA members,

If you miss the 1986 National Open in Las Vegas you'll have missed the best and the biggest tournament in Illinois!

There'll be so many Illinois players at the National Open that I'm thinking of making it an Illinois Tour event!

Seriously, this is one tournament you won't want to miss, especially with round trip air fares from Chicago for under \$200.00. The best reason for not missing the 1986 National Open is that this is the biggest prize fund ever for a National Open -- \$17,000.00, and that's for a weekend tournament! This is a real affordable event, with lots of extras. The entry is only \$50.00 for the Reserve section and \$55.00 for the Championship section. Rooms are a low \$39.00 for a double and there will

be free passes and discounts for the Imperial Palace's Antique and Classic auto show and their fabulous Legends in Concert show, and every player will get a FREE crosstable and photo souvenir of the tournament. Great food at ridiculously low prices at the Imperial Palace. They also have a new Pizza restaurant with 24-hour room service.

If you want to play in the most exciting tournament of the year, make your reservations early. Just call 1 800 654-6441. We have a large block of rooms set aside, but they will be released February 12th. So make your reservation today and if you can't make the tournament, for any reason, there will be no cancellation penalty up to 24 hours before the tournament.

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See ya' in March at the National Open.

Fred Gruenberg

# ILLINOIS CLASS

52 players from B to W (alphabetically) and from 2421 to 1150 converged on southwest suburban Orland Park in mid-November to slug it out in the annual Illinois Class Championships. All five sections were 4-round swisses; players were allowed to play in their own class or one class up.

The Master-Expert section produced four co-winners at 3.5. Albert Chow, Warren Kreckler, Morris Giles, and Peter Felts each split a point with another member of the quartet on Sunday, a day which found several players watching the Bears-Cowboys game and others watching the even more spectacular win by Giles over Bill Colias, annotated by Giles and Eric Schiller later in this issue.

Class A saw a three-way tie among John Popovich, Tim Stapay, and Stacy Van Petten, the latter two carpetbagging from class B against their not-so-much-stronger colleagues. The Sandholte Johnson draw from this section appears elsewhere.

Thus, Class B was left open for a trio of less courageous B players, two of whom garnered A ratings as a result of this tournament. The skillful winners were Mark Hansel, William Gaudry, and Robert Johnson. Class C winners were Glenn Panner and Raymond Dixon (both class B now), while Bruce Chenueth won the D section outright with a score of 3.5. Panner, 16, has gained almost 400 points in six months, in addition to demonstrating skill at chess organization. Those of you who lifted the site can thank Glenn for his efforts.

Chief TD was Walter M. Brown Jr, a familiar face in Illinois directing circles. His quiet, unerring leadership always makes a tournament look as though it were running itself. Only by working with him, as the editor has done on a couple of occasions, is it possible to fully appreciate Walter's directing skills.

Tournament miscellanea: Morris Giles had good reason for his Cloud Nine look following his game with Colias. Not only had he defeated a highly respected opponent in spectacular fashion, he had also pushed his rating over 2400 for the first time ever.

The largest of the five sections, curiously, was the Master-Expert. This was partly due to A players playing up; nevertheless, we propose that future class tournaments be organized with separate Master and Expert sections. Experts could play in either Expert or Master, while A players could play in A or Expert. This scheme would afford Experts the same option of playing up now offered to the lower players: at the same time, Masters would no longer have to face opponents 2 classes below them, a boring proposition for many players. Greater justice -- more prizes for the better players -- would seem to result when the strongest section is the smallest, not the largest.

The crosstable appears on the facing page. The ratings shown are the official ratings from USCF, more recent than the November ratings used at the tournament.



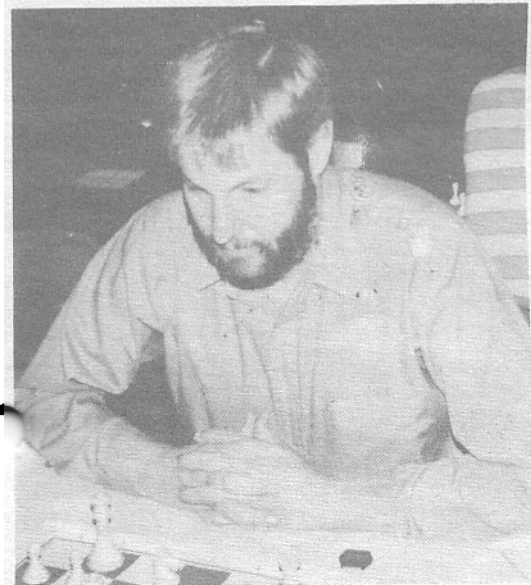
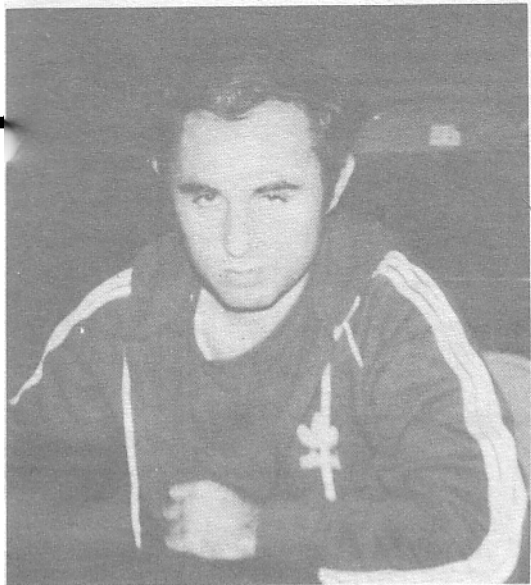
Warren Kreckler and Albert Chow beginning their last-round game.



Class A winners Tim Stapay, John Popovich and Stacy Van Petten.



William Gaudry, Mark Hansel, and Robert Johnson sharing their Class B fortune.



Illinois Class

November 16-17, 1985

MASTER-EXPERT		pre	post						
1	CHOW Albert	2421	2430	W 5	W 9	W 8	D 2		3.5
2	KRECKLER Warren	2213	2239	W15	W10	W13	D 1		3.5
3	GILES Morris	2398	2410	W14	W 6	D 4	W 8		3.5
4	PELTS Peter	2299	2320	W16	W11	D 3	W 9		3.5
5	SCHILLER Eric	2190	2197	L 1	W15	W12	W10		3
6	CHACHERE Lawrence	2215	2214	W12	L 3	W11	D 7		2.5
7	MAROVITCH Mark	2125	2149	W13	L 8	W16	D 6		2.5
8	COLIAS Billy	2359	2348	W17	W 7	L 1	L 3		2
9	MILLS James Jr	2199	2200	W18	L 1	W14	L 4		2
10	RONNEBERG Erik	1914	1918	Wbye	L 2	W15	L 5		2
11	WILLIS Mike	1975	1964	WF	L 4	L 6	WF		2
12	SCHWARTZ John	1927	1946	L 6	W17	L 5	D16		1.5
13	DAMOCLES Job	2361	2229	L 7	W16	L 2	-		1
14	BAIN Robert	2152	2143	L 3	W18	L 9	-		1
15	SMYTHE Bill	1870	1848	L 2	L 5	L10	Wbye		1
16	HDOUSH Kenneth	2089	2050	L 4	L13	L 7	D12		0.5
17	GOTZ Jon	2094	2065	L 8	L12	-	-		0
18	BERNAL Luis	1961	1947	L 9	L14	-	-		0

CLASS A		pre	post						
1	POPOVICH John	1961	1976	D 8	W 9	W 5	D 3		3
2	STAFAY Tim	1745	1821	W 4	L 5	W 8	W 6		3
3	VAN PETTEN Stacy	1794	1817	Wbye	D 6	W10	D 1		3
4	CRONIN Mike	1890	1907	L 2	W11	D 9	W10		2.5
5	GUDFREY Jonathan	1984	1999	W11	W 2	L 1	-		2
6	JOHNSON Bruce	1781	1798	W10	D 3	D 7	L 2		2
7	SANDBOTHE Bill	1880	1887	D 9	W 8	D 6	-		2
8	KOSTHA Lawrence	1850	1848	D 1	L 7	L 2	W 9		1.5
9	FRADZINSKI Tim	1820	1801	D 7	L 1	D 4	L 8		1
10	DOBZYNSKI Witold	1803	1757	L 6	Wbye	L 3	L 4		1
11	BUTINY William	1895	1867	L 5	L 4	-	-		0

CLASS B		pre	post						
1	HANSEL Mark	1792	1811	W 8	W 4	W 5	L 3		3
2	GAUDRY William	1772	1800	W 7	D 3	D 4	W 6		3
3	JOHNSON Robert	1729	1761	D 5	D 2	W 6	W 1		3
4	MARTIN Donald Jr	1806	1808	W 6	L 1	D 2	W 5		2.5
5	BROWN Tony	1631	1618	D 3	Wbye	L 1	L 4		1.5
6	GRUENBERG Fred	1720	1696	L 4	W 7	L 3	L 2		1
7	SMITH Wayne	1749	1717	L 2	L 6	-	-		0
8	MEDENIS Vidvuds	1698	1686	L 1	-	-	-		0

CLASS C		pre	post						
1	PANNER Glenn	1605	1651	W 5	W 7	D 2	W 3		3.5
2	DIXON Raymond	1553	1610	W 8	W 3	D 1	W 6		3.5
3	GEDWILL Anthony	1509	1534	W 6	L 2	W 7	L 1		2
4	CANNELL Myron	1439	1448	L 7	W 5	L 6	W 8		2
5	RYNES Evan	1474	1486	L 1	L 4	W 8	W 7		2
6	SCANTLEN Anthony	1514	1501	L 3	D 8	W 4	L 2		1.5
7	NOWAK Robert	1560	1527	W 4	L 1	L 3	L 5		1
8	FELTERS James	1494	1431	L 2	D 6	L 5	L 4		0.5

CLASS D/E/UNK		pre	post						
1	CHENOWETH Bruce	1255	1325	W 6	W 2	W 5	D 4		3.5
2	REEDY Steve	1357	1368	W 5	L 1	D 4	W 6		2.5
3	KNIGHT Jerry	1344	1360	W 4	W 7	-	-		2
4	GRUENBERG Guy	1154	1168	L 3	Wbye	D 2	D 1		2
5	JASUWAS John	1386	1363	L 2	W 6	L 1	-		1
6	COFFEY William	1350	1266	L 1	L 5	W 7	L 2		1
7	SALES Robert Jr	1150	1130	Wbye	L 3	L 6	-		1

EXTRA GAMES		pre	post						
1	RONNEBERG Erik	1918	1929	W 3	-	-	-		1
2	DOBZYNSKI Witold	1757	1767	-	W 4	-	-		1
3	VAN PETTEN Stacy	1817	1806	L 1	-	-	-		0
4	BROWN Tony	1618	1608	-	L 2	-	-		0

Top to bottom: Peter Pelts, one of four Master-Expert winners; class C co-winner Glenn Panner; and Bruce Chenoweth, alone on top of the D section.

# GAMES FROM THE ILLINOIS CLASS

Bill Colias (2359) vs Morris Giles (2398)

Annotated by Giles and Eric Schiller

1	e4	c5
2	Nf3	d6
3	d4	cx d4
4	Nxd4	Nf6
5	Nc3	e6
6	Be2	a6
7	f4	Qc7
8	O-O	Be7
9	Bf3	O-O
10	Kh1	Nc6
11	Nxc6	bxc6
12	Na4	Bb7

I was surprised by the attempt to play for a bind and declined the simplest reply, 12...d5, in order to avoid Bill's knowledge of the line 12...d5 13 e5 Nd7 14 c4 Nb6 15 Nxb6 Qxb6 16 b3 Rd8 when White has more space.

13	c4	aRd8
14	Be3	c5
15	Qc2	Nd7
16	aRd1	Bf6
17	Rd3	a5
18	Qf2?	

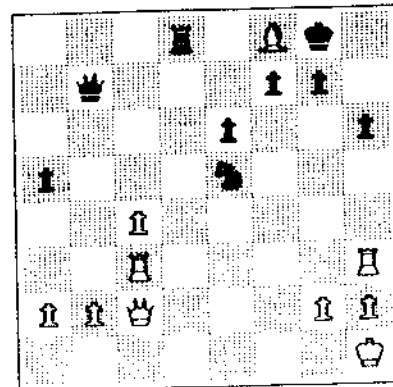
Black's plan of playing on the dark squares must be countered by pressure on the d-Pawn and against Black's Queenside (18 fRd1). Now White allows the exchange of Black's bad Bishop and weak e-Pawn in the end.

18	....	Bc6
19	Nc3	Bxc3
20	Rxc3	Qb7
21	Qc2	Nf6

This was played misunderstanding the endgame it leads to, wherein Black does win the Queen for two Rooks but White's Rooks and passed c-Pawn are more important than Black's play against the King. Instead 21...e5! gives Black a strong positional initiative: 22 Rd1 Nf6 23 fxe5 dxe5 24 Bxc5 Kxd1+ 25 Qxd1 Ke8 when Black will get the e-Pawn and his advance on the kingside will combine well with threats on the King.

22	e5	Bxf3
23	Rxf3	dxe5
24	fxe5	Ng4?!
25	Bxc5	Nxe5
26	Rh3	h6
27	Bxf8	

White had less than 8 minutes left and Black was playing to complicate. Taking the Exchange is simplest.



27	....	Qxb2!
28	Bc5	

This begins the combination to win White's Queen. Not 28 Qxb2 Rd1 mate. If 28 Qc1 Qe2 followed by 29...Rd1+ will win the Queen. If 28 g3 Qa1+ 29 Kg2 Qe1 intending 30...Rd2+.

28	....	Qa1+
29	Bg1	

If 29 Qc1, then 29...Rd1+ transposes into the endgame which White should have chosen in the game.

29	....	Rd1
30	Qf2?	

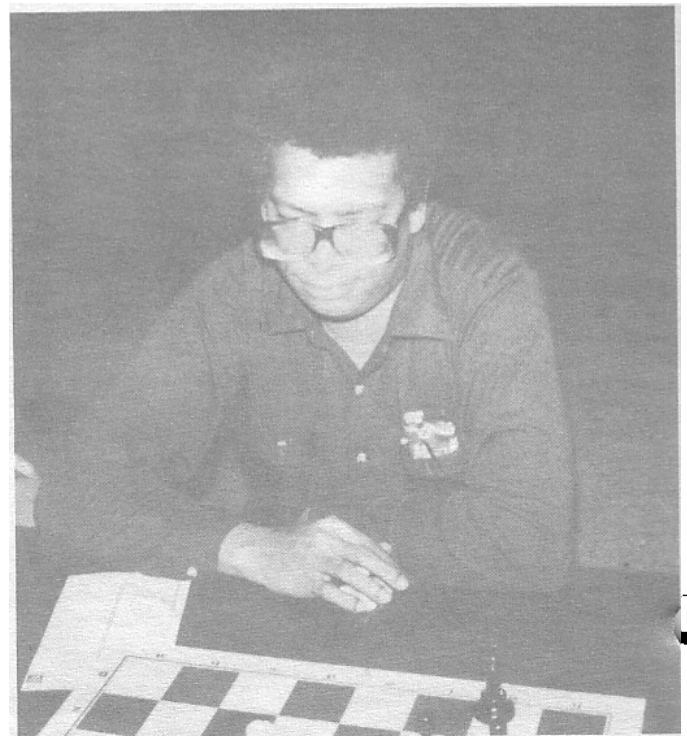
White must play 30 Qxd1, and he would have had great pressure via the passed c-Pawn. Analyzing afterward, Black could hold but only with great care to harass White's Rooks and prevent penetration.

30	....	Ng4
31	Qc5	

31 cRf3 is forced although Black would win the Queen for Knight and Rook.

31	....	Rxg1+
32	O-O	

32 Qxg1 Nf2 mate.



Morris Giles



Eric Schiller (2190) vs Bill Smythe (1870)

Annotated by Schiller

1 e4 e6  
 2 d4 d5  
 3 Nc3 Bb4  
 4 Bd2

One of my pet lines.

4 .... Ne7

This was recommended by Watson. Very few people agree with him, and practical results have greatly favored White. 4...dxe4 is still the way to go, leading to rich tactical play or a draw by repetition, depending on which lines are followed.

5 a3 Bxc3  
 6 Bxc3 dxe4  
 7 O-g4 Qd5?

A novelty. The normal play here is 7...Ng6 8 Oxe4 Nd7 intending 9...Nf6.

8 Qxg7 Rg8  
 9 O-xh7 Nd7  
 10 Ne2

10 Oh6 followed by a cowardly retreat to d2 did not appeal to me.

10 .... Nf6  
 11 Qh4 Ng4

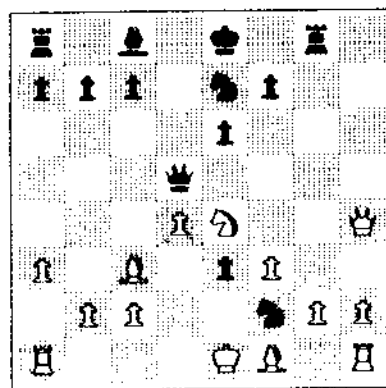
Black aims for 12...e5, creating counterplay in the White forecourt.

12 Ng3

This looks like a suicide march for the White Queen, but it is the best move in the position.

12 .... e5  
 13 f3! Nf6  
 14 Ne4!

The point of White's 12th move is now revealed. Naturally Black cannot go in for 14...Nxe4 15 fxe4.



14 .... Nf5  
 15 Qh7! Rg6  
 16 Qh8+

16 Qxg6 fxc6 17 Nf6+ Kf7 18 Nxd5 exd5 19 Rq1 allows Black to establish counterplay with 19...c5!

16 .... Kd7  
 17 Nx42 ex42+  
 18 Kx42

Black could have resigned here but no one likes to lose in under 20 moves, so....

18 .... f6  
 19 Bd3 c5  
 20 Be4 Rxc2+  
 21 Kxc2 Ne3+  
 22 Kf2 Ng4+  
 23 Ke2 Qg5  
 24 Bd2 1-0

Lawrence Chachere (2215) vs Morris Giles (2398)

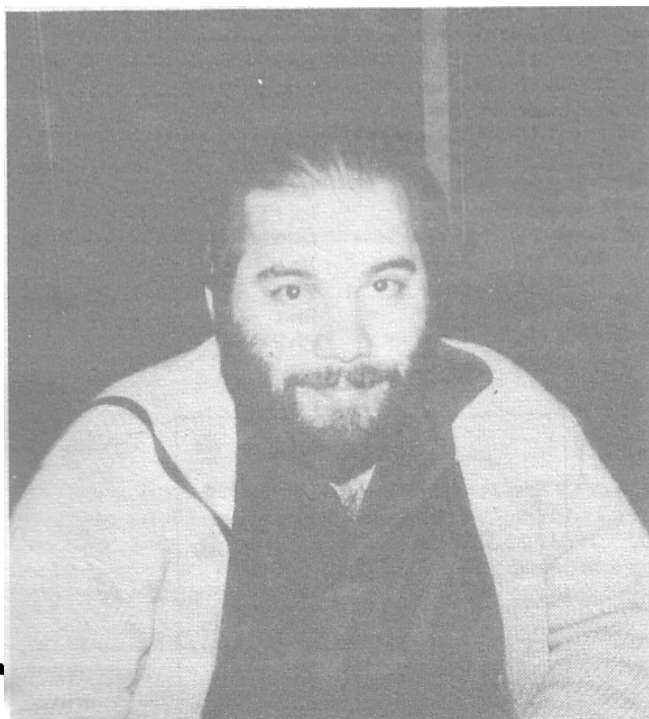
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1 d4 Nf6  
 2 c4 g6  
 3 Nc3 Bg7  
 4 e4 d6  
 5 Be2 O-O  
 6 Nf3 e5  
 7 O-O Nc6  
 8 d5 Ne7  
 9 Ne1 Nd7  
 10 f3 f5  
 11 Be3 f4  
 12 Bf2 g5  
 13 Rc1

13 Nd3, intending 14 c5, is simpler. The Rook may be wanted on the a-file.

13 .... Ng6  
 14 b4 Rf7  
 15 c5 Nf6  
 16 cxd6

Releasing the tension. Without the Pawn at c5, ....b6 cannot be shut down by c6.



Eric Schiller

16 .... cxd6  
 17 a4 h5  
 17....b6! would stop White neatly and he would have to work for a5. A few extra moves would give Black a clearer Kingside attack.

18 a5! b6  
 19 Nb5

Much better for White is 19 axb6 axb6 20 Na4! Rb7 21 Bb5 aRb8 22 Ba6, winning a Pawn, or 20....Rb8 21 Bb5! with strong pressure.

19 .... bxa5  
 20 bxa5 g4  
 21 Rxc8?

Here White should play positionally as it turns out that each exchange of pieces emphasizes Black's development.

21 .... Rxc8  
 22 Nxa7 Rxa7

It would be awkward to play against the passed a Pawn if White's Knight gets c6. Instead Black will open up the Kingside with a Pawn sac in only 2 more moves.

23 Bxa7 Qxa5  
 24 Bf2 g3!  
 25 hxg3 fxg3  
 26 Bxg3 h4  
 27 Bf2 Bh6  
 28 Nd3 Nh5  
 29 Re1?

In order to play Bf1. Absolutely necessary was 29 Qd1 Qd8 30 Rb1 but Black's pressure should be worth a Pawn after Ng3, Bf4, and h3.

29 .... Bd2!

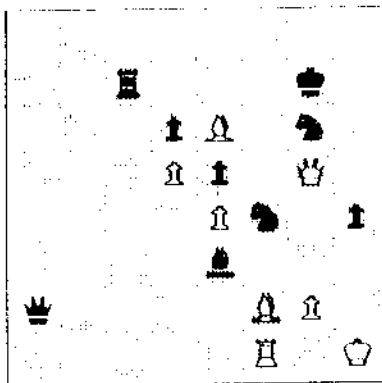
Now 30 f4 is forced else 30....Ng3 will win the Exchange because 30 Rf1 Ng3 31 Bxg3 hxg3 leaves Black with a mating attack on the dark squares.

30 f4 hNx:f4  
 31 Rf1 R:7  
 32 Bg4?

White simply forgot about his Knight in time pressure and with his position deteriorating.

32 .... Nxd3  
 33 Be6+ Kg7  
 34 Qh5 QNf4  
 35 Qf5 Qd2  
 36 Kh1 Be3!  
 37 Qg5

37 Bxe3 Qxg2 mate.



37 .... Qxf2

Black forces a mating net as White's King is completely trapped.

38 Rxf2 Rc1+  
 39 Kh7 Bxf2  
 40 0-1

White must give away his Queen to stop ....Bg3+ from being mate.

John Schwartz (1927) vs Eric Schiller (2190)

annotated by Schiller

1 e4 c6  
 2 d4 d5  
 3 exd5 cxd5  
 4 c4 Nf6  
 5 Nc3 Nc6  
 6 Nf3 Qb6?

6....Bg4 is more common.  
 7 Be2?

A novelty. 7 Bg5 is usually played.

7 .... Bg7  
 8 Be2 0-0  
 9 0-0 b6!?

I spent ten minutes on this move. The first 5 or so were devoted to a simple search for candidate moves. Then it dawned upon me that I was playing a Tarrasch a tempo down. The "free" move in this case was 7 Be3, so I tried to think of a system in the Tarrasch where Black does not usually play ...Be6. The Uhlmann line, where ...Bg4 is normal, seemed best.

10 h4??

A surprise. I expected 10 Ne5 Bb7 11 Bf3. If now 10....Neb4 11 Qb3 Nc6 12 Nxd5 Nxd5 13 cxd5 the usefulness of 7 Be3 becomes clear. The d Pawn is protected.

10 .... dxc5  
 11 b5 Na5  
 12 Ne5 Bb7

Otherwise 13 Bf5 may prove very strong.

13 Nxc4 Nxc4  
 14 Bxc4 Kc8  
 15 Qb3 Qc7  
 16 Nd5 Bxd5?

16....Qxc4! was clearly better: 17 Nxe7 Kh8 18 Nxc8 Rxc8 19 Qxc4 Kxc4 and the minor pieces are better than the Rooks in the endgame.

17 Bxd5 Nq4??

In a "normal" tournament I would have played 17....Nxd5 here, but having already lost to Chow, the Swiss format demanded a win!

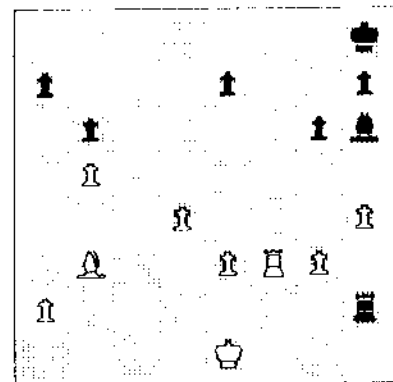
18 g5 Qc3?

I just plain missed the reply. 18....Qd6 was the right move.

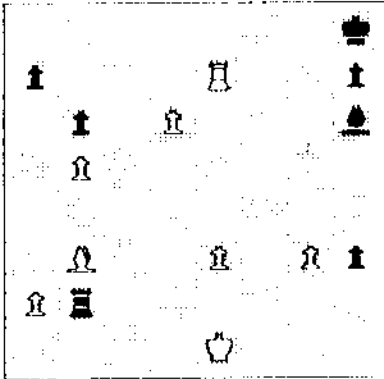
19 Bxf7+ Kh8

Not 19....Rxf7? 20 Rc1! Qxb3 21 Rxc8+ etc.

20 Be6 Nxe3  
 21 fxe3 Rxf1+  
 22 Rxf1 Qxb3  
 23 Bxb3 Bh6  
 24 Rf3 Rc1+  
 25 Kf2 Rh1  
 26 h4 Rh2+  
 27 Ke1



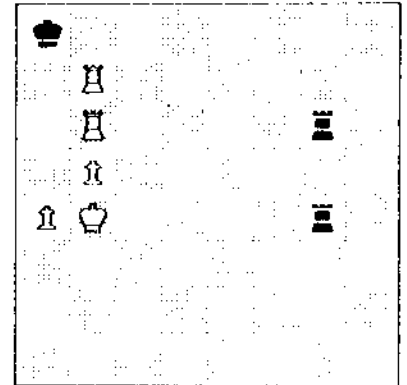
27 .... g5!  
 28 Rf7  
 28 hxg5 Bxg5 would have left White with a slight edge, but Black's position would be defensible.  
 28 .... gxh4  
 29 Rxe7  
 29 gxh4 Rxh4 would have led to a draw.  
 29 .... h3!  
 30 d5  
 30 Bd5 comes into consideration, for example  
 30....Rb2 31 Re8+ Kg7 32 Ka8 Bxe3 33 Rxa7+.  
 30 .... Rb2!  
 This seems to be the only move, since  
 30....Rg2 31 Kf1! and 30....Bg5 31 d6!  
 seem to be very good for White.  
 31 d6



31 .... Rxb3!!  
 Now things get very interesting!  
 32 d7?  
 Here White should have played 31 axb3! h2  
 32 d7, and on 32....hQ+ either 33 Kf2 Qh2+  
 34 Kf1 Qh3+ 35 Kf2 or 33 Ke2 Qg2+ 34 Ke1  
 Qxg3+ 35 Ke2.  
 32 .... Rd3  
 33 Ke2 Bg5!  
 34 Re5  
 Now everything is hanging, but Black has eyes  
 only for the lady.  
 34 .... h2  
 35 Kxd3 hQ  
 36 Rxg5 Qd1+  
 37 Ke4 Qxd7  
 Now it is just a matter of mopping up.  
 38 a4 Qe6+  
 39 Kd3 Qb3+  
 40 Ke4 Qxa4+  
 41 Ke5 Qxb5+  
 42 Kf6 Qxg5+  
 43 Kxg5 Kg7  
 44 0-1

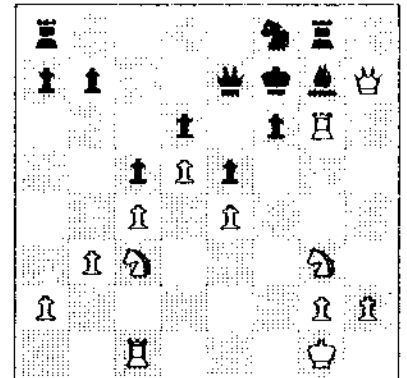
Masters and experts have no monopoly on good times. Sometimes, it seems most of the fun is had by the lettered players. In the position at the right, Bill Sandbuth (1880) is trying to get away from the checks of Bruce Johnson (1781) so that he can get on with the business of checkmating Black or queening a Pawn. He plays 66 Ka5, apparently the only hiding place for his king.

The rude awakening follows: 66....Rxa4! 67 Kxa4 Rg4+ 68 Kb3 Rb4+ 69 Kc3 Rc4+ 70 Kh2 Rb4+ 71 Ka3 Ra4+ 72 Kb3 Rb4+, when White concedes the draw upon seeing there is still no hiding place. Black's Rook here is known as a "super Rook" because it is untouchable without creating a stalemate.



In this position, Bruce Chenoweth (1255) has been engaging in a fierce-looking Kingside attack, which Guy Gruenberg (1154) thinks he has just fended off with 22....Nf8. In fact, this move wins material for Black, but only because White overlooks 23 Rxg7+ Rxg7 24 Qxg7+ Kxg7 25 Nf5+.

Justice ultimately prevailed, however, as the game eventually was drawn.



by Steve Healy

# THE POLGAR SIMUL . . . .

## MAIN COURSE

by Steve Healy

On October 15, 1985, Zsuzsa Polgar, currently the highest-rated 16-year-old chess player in the world, played a 40-board simul at the Oak Park Forest Park Chess Club.

The personable, young international master had never before played more than 30 boards simultaneously. Yet she managed a creditable score of 26 wins, 5 losses and 9 draws against a strong field that included at least one master and many experts and A players. Zsuzsa played slower than many experienced simul-givers, starting at 7:30 p.m. and finishing at 1:15 a.m.

The biggest surprise of this event was the extensive media coverage. All three Chicago network TV stations featured the simul on that evening's 10:00 news. The well organized publicity committee, led by club secretary Ken Marshall, proved that a bit of hard work can pay off in a lot of positive publicity for chess. Hopefully, this event will encourage youngsters to pursue serious chess. Women may be encouraged by Zsuzsa's skill to learn the game. These factors were part of the original plan by Oak Park Forest Park Chess Club president Chris Musgrave. He strongly urges all of us to make the extra effort to bring new faces into the chess community. Chris has organized many simul's, including those by figure Petrosian, Lev Alburt and George Koltanowski. Hats off to a tireless worker for chess!

There are interesting stories behind the simul. Long negotiations with Ms. Polgar's agent in New York resulted in Zsuzsa and her mother undertaking the trip to the strange city of Chicago. In order to make the Polgars feel welcome, a press conference and official greeting were organized at Village Hall in Oak Park. The village president welcomed Ms. Polgar and presented her with many souvenirs of Oak Park. An Oak Park employee of Hungarian background was on hand to greet the Polgars in their native language. He also explained the goings on to Mrs. Polgar. The Polgars were visibly impressed, stating that it was the warmest welcome they have received in America so far.

After the grueling plane trip and afternoon press conference with WBBM AM, Ms. Polgar went to the Oak Park-Forest Park club for more interviews with print and visual media representatives. She was poised throughout and launched into that evening's simultaneous with enthusiasm. A game from the simul appears at the right.

[Editor's note: As often happens, some of the most interesting anecdotes come from the inevitable post-curricular activities.]

On the evening after Zsuzsa's 40-board simul, she was taken out to dinner by club organizers. President Chris Musgrave, secretary Ken Marshall, and I joined Ms. Polgar and her mother at The Bakery restaurant. Fellow Hungarian chef Louis Szathmari, the owner, generously offered the Polgars complimentary meals.

I took advantage of my table seating next to Zsuzsa to ask her many questions. I asked Zsuzsa if her family could travel outside Hungary together. She replied that the entire family could only visit Iron Curtain countries. At this time, Zsuzsa's father and two sisters were back home in Hungary.

I asked Zsuzsa to tell me the most interesting place she had visited in her chess travels. She diplomatically replied that she could not say because there had been so many. She projected a gentle sweetness. I prodded her a bit by asking where she would like to live, if not in Budapest. She quickly replied, "New York." Our chess colleagues in New York City must have made quite a favorable impression.

Zsuzsa further related that she found Americans to be very friendly. She indicated that she looked forward to seeing more of America. Her comprehension of English was excellent, and she spoke surprisingly good English.

I had picked up the New York Times just before arriving at the restaurant, and I showed Zsuzsa the Furkov Kasparov game. Her eyes immediately lit up and she began to study the game. I asked her opinion on the outcome, and she honestly stated that she did not know. I recalled that the day before at a press conference she stated that she had not beaten, but had drawn with, a Soviet grandmaster. She had seemed confident that the future would bring her that much coveted victory.

Zsuzsa seemed to me remarkably mature. The spirit in her did not come out until dessert. She ordered two different ones, and consumed them with youthful enthusiasm. I will always remember her lovely smile and her pleasant laugh, usually in response to one of Chris Musgrave's innumerable jokes. Chicago chess will again be brightened if Ms. Polgar returns to Chicago in the spring of 1986, as she promised.

See pictures on facing page. I

Zsuzsa Polgar (2446) vs Wes Underwood (1883):  
 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. a3 Bxc3+  
 5. bxc3 d5 6. cxd5 end5 7. e3 Bf5 8. f3 BNF/  
 9. Ne2 h6 10. Ng3 Bg6 11. a4 c5 12. Bc3 Qc7  
 13. Be2 0-0 14. 0-0 fReB 15. Bf2 g6 16. aRc1  
 Qa5 17. dxc5 Qxa4 18. Ra1 Qc6 19. c4 aRdH  
 20. cxd5 Bxd5 21. Qxd5 Nxd5 22. e4 Ne7 23. fRd1  
 Ne5 24. Kf2 gNc6 25. Rde NcR 26. Rxd8 Rxd8  
 27. Rd1 Rxd1 28. Bxd1 +s 29. Ke5 Bf7 30. f4  
 gNa7 31. Nf5 Nb5 32. Bh2 Na5 33. Be2 Nc4+  
 34. Bxc4 Bxc4 35. Nd4 Kf7 36. Nb5 Bxb5 37. Kd4  
 Ke6 38. e5 Draw

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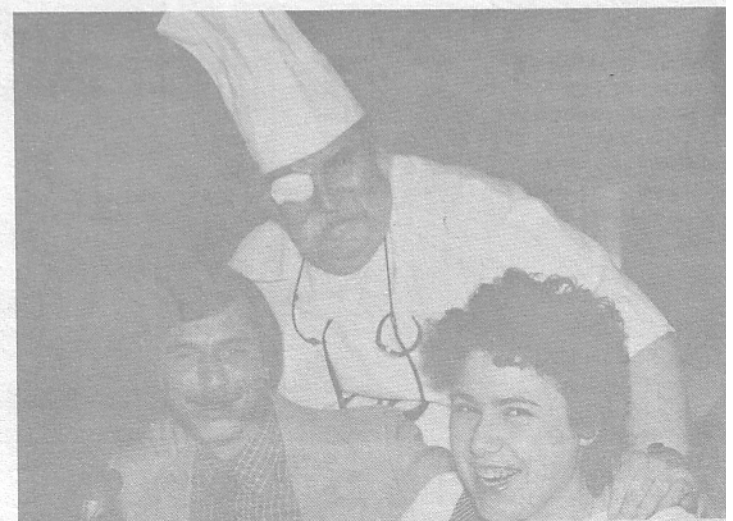
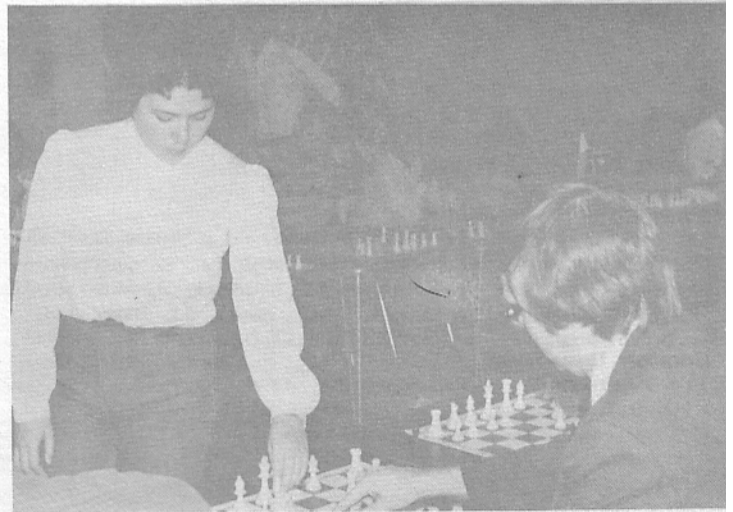
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# TOUR PAGE

by ICA President Walter Brown

The 1985 Illinois Chess Tour is drawing to a close with one tournament left on the schedule. This will be at the Chicago Chess Center on December 28. The tournament is another three-round Officer's Tornado. The standings as of the end of October are shown below, followed by a description of how the Illinois Class tournament subsequently affected the standings.

## CHAMPIONSHIP LEADERS:

Al Chow	85	
Morris Giles	37.5	
Jim Thomsen	32.5	(2)
Bruce Gardner	30.38	(2)
Roman Dzindzichashvili	30	(1)
Steve Surak	22.5	
Bob Gruchasz	20	(1)
Florentino Inumerable	17.5	
Ken Wallach	15	(2)
Erik Karlins	15	
Tim Sage	15	(1)
Kevin Bachler	12.5	(2)

## EXPERT LEADERS:

Steve Surak	42	
Tim McEntee	27.71	
Florentino Inumerable	26	
Ray Satterlee	24	
Bruce Gardner	24	(2)
Larry Chachere	16.71	
John Gotz	16	

## CLASS A LEADERS:

George Umezina	25	
Tim McIntee	20	
F U Sollano	20	(1)
Craig Sanford	11.11	(2)
Jon Gotz	10	
Bill Smythe	9.58	
John Popovich	7.5	

## CLASS B LEADERS:

Todd Schremsler	26	
Jeff Britt	18.4	
Phil Bossaers	16	(2)
Tim Just	8	
Steve Ashby	8	(1)
James Enochs	8	
Mark Hansel	8	

## CLASS C LEADERS:

Glenn Panner	15.5	
Jeff Britt	12	
Chris Land	12	(2)
Henderson Johnson	12	(2)
Randy Fronck	12	(1)
Jim Froehlich	9.5	
Ed Klumpp	6	(2)

## CLASS D/E LEADERS:

Myron Cannell	16	
Glenn Panner	11	
Joseph Baxter	8.86	
Bruce Chenoweth	6	
Jerry Callahan	6	(2)
Andrew Payne	6	(1)

Remember, to win prizes on the Tour you must have played in at least three Tour tournaments. Those players listed with a number in parentheses have so far played in only 1 or 2 tournaments, as indicated.

In the Illinois Class, Al Chow moved to 100 points in tying for first. His lead over Morris Giles is insurmountable. Morris moved up to 52.5 points by also tying for first at the Class. Peter Pelts and Warren Kreckler also earned 15 points but did not move up significantly. Third, fourth, and fifth places are still undecided.

Eric Schiller won the Expert section which gives him 24 points to move into contention for second place in this class. Mark Marovitch finished second to earn 12 points. Steve Surak retains an insurmountable lead in this class with 42 points.

In Class A, B players Tim Stapay and Stacy Van Patten tied with John Popovich to split the 30 points. The 10 points Popovich earned gives him 17.5 points to put him in contention in Class A. George Umezina holds the lead but Popovich and Tim McEntee both could catch him.

Class B also saw a three way tie for first. Dividing up the 24 Tour points were Mark Hansel, Robert Johnson, and William Gaudry. This doubled Mark's total to 16 points, putting him in contention for second place. Todd Schremsler retains the lead but Jeff Britt could catch him.

In Class C, Ray Dixon and Glenn Panner tied for first giving them each 9 points. This gives Glenn an insurmountable 24.5 points. Second place C is still unclear.

In Class D/E, Bruce Chenoweth won it outright to earn the 8 points and move into second place with 14 total points. Myron Cannell retains the lead with 16 points but is a class C player for the last tournament. Steve Reedy finished second and earned 4 points.

The 1986 Illinois Tour will begin with the Tim Just Winter Open. The Tour in the past has included the ICA-run Illinois Open and Illinois Class, along with several tornadoes. It has also included regular annual tournaments such as the Greater Chicago Open and the Master Challenge along with various tournaments run by Tim Just and others in the Lake County, Zion and Waukegan areas. Downstate, Peoria had several events last year. It is hoped that others will include their tournaments on the Tour, and that the regulars will keep on doing it.

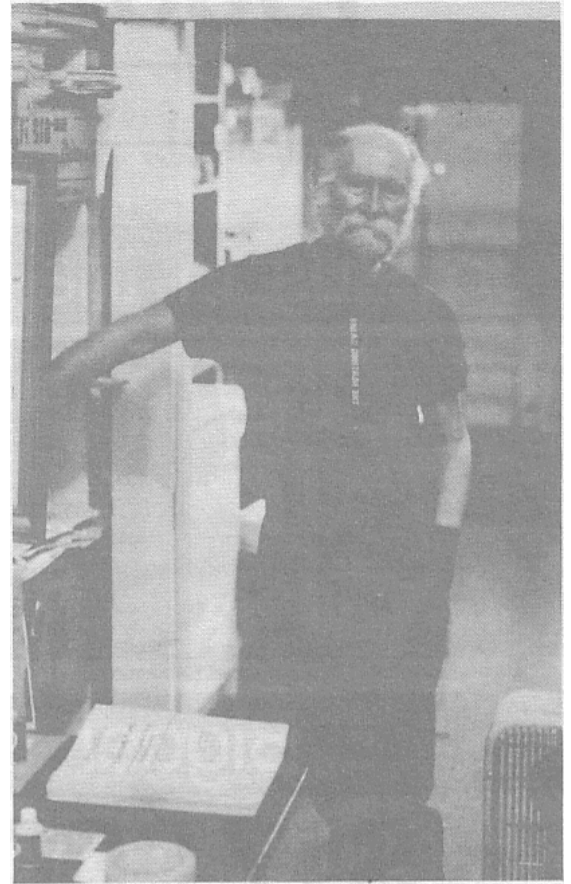
The prize fund will be similar to last year, about \$1800.

# Art and Chess



Left: The view from Zum Deutschen Eck restaurant across the street.

Right: Jules Stein, wearing one of his creations and hiding his white glove behind a picture.



When you take an accomplished artist by the name of Jules Stein and add the wonderful game of chess you'll come up with the Chicago Chess Center every time.

"A marriage of art and chess", that's how Jules describes his new Chess Center at 2923 North Southport in Chicago. In less than two years, with a good hunk of money and lots of paint and elbow grease, Jules has transformed this old building into a chess player's pride and joy as well as an art gallery. Throughout the club - upstairs, downstairs, even in the kitchen -- you'll see sketches, paintings and abstracts all done by Jules. This well lit, centrally located club can accommodate about 90 players at one event. With food available from Jules' kitchen and all this ambience we have an ideal site for a tournament. In fact, ICA will be holding a Mini-Tour event here December 28th, with more Tour events undoubtedly to follow.

Tournament players reading Chess Life can always spot a Jules tournament just by glancing at the title. Penny Pinching Pawn Pusher, Joy of Sacs, Pawn-demonium, Baloney Benoni, A Queen for the Knight, Ransom for the King, Pawnography, Buenas No Chess, and The Mating Game are just a few of his gems. Besides tournaments, the Chess Center now runs casual chess 7 days a week from 6 p.m. until the last player goes home -- sometimes 5 a.m. You'll see such familiar faces as Albert Chow, Greg Small, Allen Kornfeld, San Ford, and James Thinnsen, just to name a few.

If you want a friendly game of chess, any evening, or if you want to play in a rated tournament on most weekends, or even if you just want to come down and look around, you'll find the Chicago Chess Center an interesting, memorable place.



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# ADDITIONAL EVENTS

## ===== TIM JUST'S BIRTHDAY BASH =====

by Tim Just

Twenty-four Cavemen traipsed to north suburban Grayslake on October 19, 1985 to club it out in the 3rd ICA Officers' Tornado, a mini-event on the ICA Tour.

Albert Chow and James Ihnnsen each scored 3-0 to tie for first and second. Morris Giles finished 3rd with 2.5.

Class prize winners were as follows:

- A: Gee Leong  
Bill Smythe  
George Umezinwa
- B: Tim Just
- C: David Cromer  
Daryl Zelinski  
Glenn Panner
- D/E: Jerry Callahan  
John Jasunas
- Unrated: Alejandro Ortiz Sierra

The tournament was sponsored by College of Lake County and its Chess Club, organized by Tim Just, and directed by Dennis Grant. Ratings shown below are from USCF, and are more recent than those which appeared on the wallchart at the tournament.

### Tim Just's Birthday Bash                      October 19, 1985

	pre	post					
1 IHNNSEN James	2446	2453	W16	W 7	W 4	3	
2 CHOW Albert	2410	2421	W15	W 6	W 5	3	
3 GILES Morris	2389	2381	W17	D12	W13	2.5	
4 SMALL Gregg	2292	2295	W11	W 9	L 1	2	
5 COLIAS Bill	2367	2359	W18	W 8	L 2	2	
6 SCHILLER Eric	2189	2190	W19	L 2	W12	2	
7 SURAN Steve	2132	2131	W22	L 1	W15	2	
8 LEONG Gee	1955	1957	W20	L 5	W17	2	
9 SMYTHE Bill	1870	1876	W21	L 4	W16	2	
10 JUST Tim	1786	1782	W23	L13	W19	2	
11 UMEZINWA George	2165	2161	L 4	W14	W18	2	
12 READ Rhys	1955	1963	W24	D 3	L 6	1.5	
13 NORIN Wallace	1827	1839	D14	W10	L 3	1.5	
14 ORTIZ SIERRA Al	1700	1736	D13	L11	W22	1.5	
15 GRUENBERG Fred	1718	1720	L 2	W21	L 7	1	
16 POPE Raymond	1633	1635	L 1	W22	L 9	1	
17 CROMER David	1583	1584	L 3	W24	L 8	1	
18 ZELINSKI Daryl	1534	1543	L 5	W20	L11	1	
19 PANNER Glenn	1611	1605	L 6	W23	L10	1	
20 CALLAHAN Gerard	1401	1400	L 8	L18	W24	1	
21 JASUNAS John	1361	1386	L 9	L15	W23	1	
22 PARKER Bill	1477	1474	L 7	L16	L14	0	
23 BIEZYNSKI Stan	1230	1218	L10	L19	L21	0	
24 DUPEE Arthur	1270	1255	L12	L17	L20	0	

## ===== PAUL KERES MEMORIAL =====

reported by Barry Fisher

The Paul Keres Memorial, held October 12, 1985 at the Illini Union in Urbana, featured 47 entrants, guaranteed prizes, comfortable playing conditions, and the presence of Helen Warren, Fred Gruenberg and Walter Brown. These three household names in Chicago organizing circles proved that they can play too, as they took home some prize money.

First and second prizes were won by David Sprengle and Bill Colias, who split \$215 for their 4-0 scores. Other prize winners were:

- Experts: Walter Brown  
Ron Torregrossa
- A: Colin Brooks  
Glenn Snow  
Pierre Weisz
- B: Jerry Stafford
- C: Helen Warren  
Kevin Lenthold  
Donald Gadoiry  
Daniel Clough
- D/E: Henry Chiu

The D/E winner scored 3-1, a result which must be aggravating for his fourth round opponent David Shin. Shin had outplayed Chiu through an offbeat opening to reach the position shown below. Shin thought he saw an easy win and played 31 Bb4 setting up mate on e7. He resigned after 31...Qxd4+, only to learn after the game that Chiu did not see the smothered mate 32 Kh1 Nc2+ 33 Fg1 Nh3+ 34 Kh1 Qg1+ 35 Kxg1 Nc2 mate. During the post mortem Chiu said he intended only to win the Rook after 32...Nf2+ 33 Kg1 Nd3+. But this would have allowed the original mate on e7. Perhaps one should never resign until mate is delivered.



# PERSONAL PROFILE

by Guy Gruenberg

As you all know by now Gary Kasparov became the new World Chess Champion by defeating Anatoly Karpov in the final climactic confrontation of their 24-game match. The games have been published in most major newspapers, and books covering the match are already on their way to the bookstores. To get some insight on the new champion I went to his closest American friend and supporter, Eric Schiller.

Eric has worked with Gary on such projects as the Batsford Chess Openings series and Kasparov's autobiography Fighting Chess, as well as having translated several other works from Russian to English. What follows are parts of an interesting interview conducted at Medici's restaurant with Beethoven in the background.

Guy: Now that Gary is world champion will he be coming to the United States?

Eric: He's scheduled to come play in a match (USA vs USSR) at the end of January. However, Gary is going to be preparing for his rematch with Karpov and I don't know if he'll want to do this two weeks before he has to play. I think it would violate most of his training rules. So I am pessimistic on that one.

Guy: Do you think he may postpone his visit until June 1986?

Eric: In June I am offering very good conditions to him to participate in an event and this is just pending my phone call to him. But I would be surprised if he didn't come. It is a big money tournament and I think he will want to play. I will be working out the arrangements with him next month when I visit him in Holland. Gary will be playing Timman in a match just before Christmas.

Guy: What are some of the most frequently asked questions about Gary?

Eric: The number one question asked me is when is Gary going to defect. Everybody asks this and it is a silly question. He is not going to. The answer is under most foreseeable circumstances there would be no reason he would want to. It's not that he thinks that he lives in a perfect palace down in Baku. He is immersed there. He has family and friends in the USSR, and he has a strong connection to his homeland.

Guy: Besides the issue of defection what other questions come to mind?

Eric: How he trains. Published specific involving sure of y owns n e ay the odgame d and ly

used this same system with a number of young players including Bill Colias. Gary has benefited from a country that encourages chess in the Soviet Union's educational system. This has given Gary access to the best possible environment which is something we unfortunately lack in the United States.

Guy: How many hours a day would you say Gary studies chess? Is it an everyday process for him?

Eric: Yes, it certainly is everyday. On my first interview with Gary which was for German television he said he spent 6-8 hours a day on chess, but that didn't last too long. He does study 6-8 hours when he is in a training period before a major match or tournament. Otherwise 3-4 hours a day is the average amount of time he devotes to the game.

Guy: You have mentioned quite a few times that Gary is a real regular type of guy and does not place himself on a pedestal.

Eric: Yes, he is diametrically opposed to Karpov in terms of character. Gary is an intellectual. I wouldn't say womanizer but he does go out a lot. He is socially very active and has lots of friends.

Guy: Does Gary date?

Eric: Well, he has a regular girl friend in the Soviet Union. I won't go into what he does when he is in the West. He likes movies, he likes going out. He likes good food but for some reason he has a dislike of cheese and an aversion to pizza which sometimes makes dining out with him a little difficult since I am a vegetarian. He likes sports and plays both basketball and football (soccer). These are activities he enjoys doing and are not just for physical training. He is perhaps the most outgoing world champion since Spassky.

Guy: Can Gary hold a conversation in English?

Eric: Oh, more than that, he is very articulate. He knows exactly what he is saying. He can give interviews now, and also teaches in English. I used to translate for him when he was teaching and now fortunately I don't have to do that. In fact there was a lecture I translated for him where he mentioned the name of a game. Since we had done this several times before, Gary sat down and I reviewed the entire game; however, now his English is very good and this isn't necessary any more.

Guy: Gary indeed sounds like an interesting person.

Eric: He likes to be challenged intellectually. He is a competitor in a different sense than Karpov. Gary has mentioned it himself when he said, "What I most respect about Fischer and the thing I cannot equal is his will to win every game. I don't have it."

Guy: Let's talk about the topic of Fischer for a moment. I have heard that Gary respects Fischer a lot, probably more than any other player. Does Gary view Bobby Fischer as his mentor?

Eric: Well, that is true of almost all of the Soviet players. I mean Fischer is the god, in

many ways, in terms of pure chess. Now off the board it is quite different.

Guy: I remember Gary came under great criticism for referring to Fischer as the greatest of all chess players.

Eric: Well, there have been people in the Soviet political hierarchy of the past, and I don't think this is the case now, but under past regimes there were those who couldn't understand statements supporting an American. Especially a crazy American like Fischer who is anti-Russian, and anti-Soviet. I think the current regime understands the situation much more. You admire somebody for their abilities just as certain artists, musicians, and others are admired greatly at a professional level and not on a political level.

Guy: Do you think Fischer and Kasparov might ever meet each other?

Eric: Well, they would have, had the Soviets allowed Gary to play the match in Pasadena in 1983 which eventually took place in London. Now I'm working on something along these lines. I know where Bobby is. I don't think that Bobby (Fischer) would object to having Gary turn up and say hello. I think the problem lies with getting Gary in southern California for a while to play a tournament which might allow for such a meeting to take place. Again I am working on this at present but we will just have to wait and see.

Guy: Can you tell me a little bit about the episodes with Serrawan?

Eric: When we were talking about Gary's training methods it leads me into some comments about how the Soviets often function as a team and have large groups for top players. You hear wild reports about fifty people which could be true for Karpov but not for anyone else. It is funny that many American and Western chess players criticize the fact that Soviet players have a large number of people working with them. You get the impression that this is giving them a tremendous advantage without paying attention to who these people really are. In Gary's case there is his mother who is head of the delegation. She is the one who organizes things and makes sure everyone knows what they are supposed to do.

Guy: Gary's mother coordinates all of the people around Gary?

Eric: She coordinates the whole team. Then there is Niketen, his trainer, who is only an IM. This isn't being surrounded with something on the order of world champions. In my opinion he is an opening theoretician more than a trainer. Now, American players don't have trainers but that is their own fault.

Guy: What are some of his responsibilities?

Eric: Anything that would be affecting Gary's play in a negative way. Then he has some other friends who are his seconds. They work primarily with opening ideas (Vladimirov, Timoschen, Dorfman).

Guy: I have never heard of these names before.

Eric: This is exactly the point I am trying to make. They are not super strong players. Their main thrust is to help work on new ideas and to go over Gary's tournament games.

Guy: Did the Soviet leaders try and hold Gary back by not giving him the better seconds?

Eric: No. In fact many people suggested he replace Niketen with someone more famous or stronger. Gary told me he doesn't want grandmasters around him. What he wants around him are people who care how Kasparov does. Other strong grandmasters have ambitions of becoming world champion also. Gary likes to surround himself with people who are not rivals but those who are real supporters. I think that is why we get along so well. I am a true supporter of Gary and I'm sure not going to try and become world champion. Therefore, if I give Gary some opening ideas it is obvious there is no duplicity. I am not setting him up, and he knows he can trust me.

Guy: Does Gary have his own car?

Eric: No. He doesn't have a car but he certainly could afford one, that is no problem. In the USSR you just don't take your car to a service station, you perform repairs yourself. Gary feels it is a waste of time and effort to spend many hours a week maintaining an automobile. If he wants to go someplace he just gets someone to drive him or hires a car. Gary is not a naturalist. He likes gadgets and he gives them to his friends and parents. He doesn't go in for status symbols and a car is a big status symbol.

Guy: Now that Gary is world champion how do you feel the increase in attention will affect him?

Eric: I think the note he sent out to four of his friends right after the match kind of sums it up. He said "I've got a lot of new friends now, but I am still the same guy and I know who helped me when it counted." I think that displays his attitude. It won't affect him very much.

Guy: What do you see next for Gary? Do you see him as a long term champion similar to Karpov?

Eric: I don't know. It really depends on Karpov. I don't think there is anyone else who is going to take him for a few cycles. What I do see is a lot of upheaval in FIDE and the way the cycle is run. A return to the three-year cycle might well be coming. Gary is going to be much more active as world champion politically. Karpov was lets-be-buddy buddy with Campomanes and get what I want privately through influence. Gary as we have seen is much more public with his statements. For example on December 15th in Hiversum, Holland, Gary will hold a press conference at which he will be endorsing Lincoln Lucena, Campomanes opponent in the 1986 FIDE election. I am sure that he is going to speak out on a lot of issues that concern chess.

Guy: What do you think Gary will contribute to chess besides some of the fantastic sacrifices we have seen in the last championship match?

# Excitement on the Chessboard

by Lester VanMeter

Everyone seems to agree that to become a good player one must study and work on endgames. If you have difficulty in playing "simple" positions how can you expect to do well in more complicated ones? In addition one must come up with a plan in the ending, and practice in endgame planning will carry over to the middlegame.

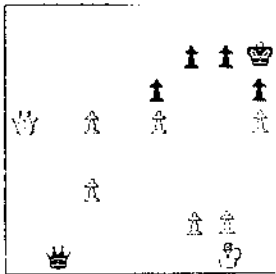
How to go about doing this work? One method I think is beneficial (and fun!) is adjournment analysis. In the U.S. one doesn't often get this opportunity at any depth because of the time constraints of weekend tournaments. Contrast this with Europe where many tourneys feature one game a day with an adjournment, and where many club tourneys and matches are played in one session and continued later.

We can, however, create artificial situations where we can practice adjournment analysis. The world championship matches are especially useful since you can dissect the adjourned position before you obtain the continuation. You can actually take ANY game and use it, but must work hard to create the same intensity that would exist if it were your own game. In that case you would definitely strive to find the proper plans and procedures to win or save the game. Which piece configuration is best, and which combinations of pieces should be kept or avoided, are other important questions to deal with in adjournment analysis.

This type of experience builds up your entire concept of endgame play for future encounters. It is especially useful to get you thinking in this manner while you are playing your game.

Another important factor is to know how to anticipate adjournments. When do you seal? How do you play just before the session ends? Should you play quickly so that your opponent cannot adjourn? These questions are not so easy to deal with without first-hand experience.

Here we will look at some of these questions in a game of mine from the 1985 International Geneva Open Championship.



L. VanMeter vs W. Hardt

With his last move, 40...Q(b7)-b1+, Black has just survived having to play seven moves in the last two minutes (40/2). Now he gets a chance to think about how to hold this endgame. The secondary time control is 20/1 with a one-hour dinner break after four hours of play.

41 Kh2 [5:13]

Qf5 [6:06]

This was the move I expected and which I thought strongest. However, 41...Qe4 may have been a worthy alternative. The numbers after the moves indicate the clock reading.

42 c6 [5:19]

Qf4+ [6:29]

Again, I think this is best. What I most enjoyed about his move was that he took 23 minutes on it. I had already decided in thinking over move 42 that I would seal move 43. Now I would lose less time on my clock.

Black cannot immediately set up a perpetual check. I will therefore have a free move which I can use to improve the position of my Queen. It seemed to me that the Queen position might be decisive, so naturally I wished to make this decision "at home" and avoid having to do it over the board.

If 42...Qxh5+ 43 Kg3 and my King can stroll to safety in the vicinity of e8. White will then win because Black cannot win enough Pawns to compensate for a second White Queen.

The other try, 42...Qxf2, allows 43 Qb4 which covers all checks and prepares for Qd4 and the pushing of the c-Pawn.

The point to his move is that with my King on h3 he can capture on f2 and still be assured of a check on e3. I now sealed -- and while I knew that Kh3 would eventually have to be played I did not seal that move.

43 Kg1 [5:21] (sealed)

I spent the time making sure that he had to repeat the position, and getting my thoughts about the King journey via Kh3 straight. Also, which Queen move? Qa4 or Qb4 were first thoughts, coming from previous ideas (e.g. if 42...Qxf2), but my hope was that Qd8 would work (covering d1 and h4 and supporting c7-c8) since Qa4 and Qb4 didn't look too good.

I went off to analyze with Michael LaBudde from Milwaukee. We had met at Wijk an Zee and gone to Geneva together. We were quickly able to confirm my thoughts on ...Qxh5+; Kg3, and also my feelings that 43 Kg1 Qc1+ 44 Kh2 Qf4+ 45 Kh3 Qxf2 46 Qa4 or Qb4 were insufficient. The next shock was that Qd8, too, was not good enough to win.

We also tried the brute force 43 Kg1 Qc1+ 44 Kh2 Qf4+ 45 Kh3 Qxf2 46 c7 which is certainly critical. The Queen's poor placement seemed to be a big factor. For example 46...Qe3+ 47 g3 Qf3 and now 48 Qa4 or Qb4 Qh5+ 49 Qh4 Qf5+ 50 g4 Qf1+ 51 Kh2 Qe2+ 52 Kg1 Qd1+ 53 Kg2 Qd2+ picks up the Pawn on c3. Another try would be 48 Qa2 Qh1+ 49 Qh2 Qc6.

I am going to leave the details of the above statements to serious students. This analysis, though, has brought out some points: (a) I needed to keep my Pawn on e3 for a while; (b) Black's perps were coming along the h1-a8 and d1-h5 diagonals -- the white squares; and (c) the diagonal b1-h7 (more white squares!) was sensitive for the Black King.

What all of this boiled down to was that I needed to be in touch with my Queen at b1, e2, and e4. With this in mind we started on my last winning try and I returned to the tourney hall after 90 minutes with the idea not proved, but taking definite form.

43	....	Qc1+ [6:29]
44	Kh2 [5:52]	Qf4+ [6:29]
45	Kh3 [5:53]	Qxf2 [6:30]
46	Qb5! [5:53]	

He had expected Qa4 or Qb4.

46	....	Qe3+ [6:33]
47	g3 [5:54]	Qf3 [6:42]

He must make a difficult decision. He decides to immediately try for perpetual. He is correct, for if 47....Qxc3 48 Qb1+ Kg8 (48....g6 49 hxg6+ fxg6 50 Qb7+) 49 Qb8+ Kh7 50 c7 Qc1 51 Qb7! or if 50....Qf3 51 Qb1+ g6 52 hxg6+ fxg6 53 Qc2!! thwarting any perpetuals.

48 Qc4 [5:56]

e2 and e4 are controlled, and the c-Pawn is ready to advance. He now realized that 48....Qxh5+ 49 Kg2 goes nowhere, and spent a lot of time to again come into time trouble.

48	....	Qh1+ [6:56]
49	Kg4 [5:56]	Qd1+ [6:56]
50	Kf4 [5:57]	Qd2+ [6:57]

Now my analysis was finished. I needed to figure out how to get my King through to the rear of his position. It turns out to be not so easy. I could get stuck on d3 and d4, for example, with his checking at f2 and f1.

51 Kf3 [6:04] Qd1+ [6:57]

He was pleased that I was finally thinking! I now thought about 52 Kg2 hoping for ....Qd2+ (naturally the first move he played in the post mortem) 53 Kh3 and he is out of checks. Upon reflection he found the correct 52....Qc2+ 53 Kh3 Qf5+ 54 Kg2 Qc2+ 55 Kf3 Qd1+, but I did not wish to allow him to repeat so many moves and instead offered him a challenge....

52	Qe2 [6:16]	Qh1+ [6:57]
53	Kf4! [6:17]	Qc1+ [6:58]

....which he does not accept. The Pawn ending looks bad for Black at first glance, but Pawn endings are not always so simple. 53....Qxc6 54 Qe4+ Qxe4 55 Kxe4 Kg8 (55....g6 56 g4 forces ....g5 as otherwise White will play that move) 56 Kd4 Kf8 57 Kc5 Ke7 keeps me from d6, something he cannot allow me to achieve.

At this point White seems to have a win, but I cannot find one with best play! Black must be careful, but he always has an answer. 58 g4 Kd7 or 58 Kb6 f6. I am again going to leave the details to those who wish to work them out, and I hope someone can find a forced win.

I can certainly understand why he avoided this ending, but now I am able to get my King across without any more problems. He is able to make the time control, but then after a five-minute pause he realized the hopelessness of continuing and gave up.

54	Qe3 [6:18]	Qf1+ [6:58]
55	Qf3 [6:20]	Qc1+ [6:59]
56	Ke4 [6:21]	Qb1+ [6:59]
57	Qd3 [6:21]	Qh1+ [6:59]
58	Kd4+ [6:21]	Kg8 [6:59]
59	Kc5 [6:22]	Qg1+ [6:59]
60	Qd4 [6:23]	Qa1 [6:59]
61	c7 [6:24]	1-0 [7:04]

----- ICB RECEIVES CRAMER AWARD -----

We are pleased to announce that we have received the second half of the 1985 Cramer Grant, awarded to the Illinois Chess Bulletin earlier this year. This grant comes from the American Chess Foundation, in its continuing "tradition of support for excellent local chess magazines begun several years ago" (Allen Kaufman, ACF Executive Director).

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We are grateful to Fred Cramer and the American Chess Foundation for their continued support.

Bill Smythe, editor

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Eric: I'll tell you what I think he will do in a much greater sense, not to chess but to the world. We now see a Soviet citizen as an object of respect throughout the world. I can't remember the last time a non-dissident has been treated with that feeling and I think that is going to bring a lot of the East-West questions within chess to a more reasonable resolution. But a lot depends on the Soviet government.

I thank Eric for his time and candid answers to my questions. I also want to extend my congratulations to Gary on his recent milestone. If you think you might like other interviews with other national personalities let your editor know.



Helen Warren, TL  
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**MITCH WEISS TAKES 1982 REGION VII CHAMPIONSHIP!**  
 National Master Mitch Weiss of Mason City, Iowa has become the first Region VII Champion by besting a strong field in the Finals section. Weiss posted a formidable 5.5 points in prelim section 52-6 which included expert Andy Amelung of neighboring Missouri and Don Field, fellow Hawkeye.

In the Finals, Weiss was near-perfect. He swept all opposition save for a draw with 1980 ICA Postal Champion David Taylor of Kankakee. The crucial contest was with former Chicagoan Walter Milbratz, now a resident of California. This win clinched the title for Weiss, assured him the first place cash prize of \$150 as well as engraved trophy.

Tied for 2nd and 3rd were Dave Taylor and Andy Amelung, each winning \$75. Thus three of the regions four states were represented among the top three players. (It was really three out of three since Nebraska was not yet a part of Region VII when play began in the 1982 prelims.)

Our next issue should present a profile of Weiss as well as several important games from the Finals. Congratulations to Mitch Weiss! He joins David Taylor and Joe De Mauro as ICA/Region VII Champ.

We are now accepting entries for the 1985 Region VII Championship for assignment in late December. Already entered are the following:

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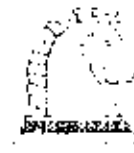
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Dec. 28: ICA Last Chance Mini-Tour Tornado. See half page ad, page 13.

Dec. 29, Jan. 1: The Big Baloney Bononi. Two one day events, Chicago Chess Center. Jules Stein, 929-7010.

Jan. 4-5: Tim Just's Winter Open. An ICA Mini Tour Event. See half page ad, inside back cover.

Jan. 11-12: CCC \$100 Guarantee. Two one-day events, Chicago Chess Center. Jules Stein, 929-7010.

Jan. 18: Peoria Winter Tornado. Bradley University Cafeteria, Peoria. Bill Naff, (309) 691-4624.

Jan. 18-19: \$520 CCC Grand Prix Guarantee. A two-day event, Chicago Chess Center. Jules Stein, 929-7010.

Feb. 2: 11th Hyde Park Open, 10th Groundhog Swiss, 11th Hyde Park Scholastic. University of Chicago High School. Harold Winston, 475-7022.

Feb. 8-9: Chicago Chess Center events. Two one-day events. Jules Stein, 929-7010.

Feb. 15-16: Valentine Day Caper. Two one-day events, Chicago Chess Center. Jules Stein, 929-7010.

Feb. 15-17: U.S. Amateur Team Championship (Midwest), Columbus, Ohio.

\*\*\*\*\* Other Events \*\*\*\*\*

Dec. 14-15: Lawn Chess Assn. 5716.

Dec. 28-29: Lawn Chess Assn. 5716.

Jan. 12: Illinois Chess League playoffs.

Feb. 1-2: Main Event, Urbana, (217) 333-9083.

Feb. 15: Bradley U, Peoria, (309) 682-6460.

\*\*\*\*\* Upcoming Events \*\*\*\*\*

Feb. 22: 7th Illinois High School Chess Classic, 2nd Illinois Grade School Class Tournament. Hillside.

Mar. 1-2: Tim Just/GLC March Open/Reserve; Grayslake.

Mar. 7-9: Midwest Masters Invitational IV. Chicago.

Mar. 14-16: 1986 National Open, Las Vegas, Nevada. See full page ad, page 16.

May 17-18: AFCC Chess Book and Equipment Sale, Western Springs.

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