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President's Podium

As I've said before, Illinois Chess is hot, hot, hot. Dmitry's recent 7-0 trouncing of all opponents in the very strong U.S. Master's tournament was quite a feat. Congratulations Dmitry! And just as I wrote about Illinois' newest Senior Master (Josh Manion), he was in Bermuda trouncing opponents for his third International Master norm. Congratulations Josh! Many other players across Illinois are achieving great results and building their own reputations. Of course, there are other players (like me) where we had better be having fun since recent results have been a little spotty. Maybe I should stick to picking stocks. It seems like winning there is much easier than at chess. Of course markets change.....

After several years of outstanding (and on time) publication of this magazine, our editor, Bob Renaut, is turning the I.C.B. Editor's job over to Tim Williams. Tim has been editor of the Chicago Industrial Chess League publication, *The Chicago Chess Player*. Tim lives in Hinsdale and brings solid publishing experience to our magazine. I've known Bob Renaut for several years, first as a chess player and friend, and secondly as the I.C.B. Editor. He will be greatly missed, but Tim looks like a great choice to take over as editor. Tim has promised to work to take our publication to even higher levels of professionalism with help from our whole crew, especially Alan Watson, our energetic games editor.

Good luck, Bob, as you move forward. I want to remind you that being editor was a challenge, but it didn't stop you from becoming a master during your stewardship.

*-Jim Oberweis
ICA President*

En Passant

Hello, and welcome to the first issue of the ICB with myself as the editor. As can be expected the transition from one editor to another tends to be a painful transition regardless of the effort put forth. But put forth I shall and the whole process should level out quickly. Most of you are probably wondering who I am and so a quick intro is probably in order. I caught the chess bug while in high school in Indiana and had the honor of regularly competing against the likes of the late Bill Colias then. It's memories of those days that continually bring me back to scholastic chess. Such work is its own reward.

I continued playing through college and then had the pleasure of playing at many locations around the U.S., thanks to the military, and competed in their competitions as well. After a five year hiatus from chess that ended a year and a half ago, I've come full circle back to the Midwest and am an active member of the Oak Park-River Forest CC, and the Chicago Industrial Chess League as well as editor of their bulletin "The Chicago Chess Player." I also do my best to play in the Chicago area as much as my schedule allows, which is never as much as I'd like. Needless to say I love the game and mastering it is one of my highest goals. You can never get too much chess!

But enough of me, on to the first of hopefully many issues that I'll edit. I welcome all constructive criticism and invite your input, you can help me make this the best state chess magazine in the country. And that we shall. Look forward to some great coverage of Illinois chess. I hope to bring in even more news from around the state and let everyone know about some of the opportunities that they might be missing out on. And maybe some new types of articles that will get your attention. Expect a few more growing pains as this all comes together and probably a few cosmetic changes, too. This should be a very exciting time. Now - On to the chess!

*-Tim Williams
ICB Editor*

Dmitry Gurevich "Perfect" at 1996 US Masters

During March 7-10, eighty-two chessplayers gathered at the luxurious Hyatt Regency Oakbrook to celebrate *"The Homecoming of the American Master."* This fine event, made possible through the persistence and organizational abilities of Helen & Jim Warren plus a generous \$10,000 donation from the United States Chess Federation had its origins in the Warren's own Midwest Masters' event initiated in the early 1980's.

Then, as now, the main purpose was to provide an opportunity for the region's best players and a selection of talented juniors to match skills with each other in a celebration of competition and excellence. Whereas chessplayers living on both the East and West coasts of this country had ample opportunities for improvement through frequent participation in top-level events, there was a dramatic dearth of such competitions here in the Midwest. The first Midwest Masters was held at the Palmer House in Chicago from December 3-5, 1982 and drew 36 players with an average rating of 2234.

The second and third (held 1984 & 1985) moved to the International House at the University of Chicago and attracted increasingly larger numbers of players from a much broader area. Average player strength also increased ... rising first to 2279 and then 2312.

For the period 1986 through 1989 the tournament relocated to the Lincolnwood Hyatt. Still attendance continued to grow, and reached a high point of 84 players from 19 states in 1987. In conjunction with this, the number of rounds increased from five to six. The list of participants by this time read like a veritable Who's

Who of Midwest chess, and players could not count on a single easy game in their entire schedule. Each round was a battle to the death with an equally worthy opponent. Those fortunate and talented enough to reach the pinnacle of success were IM Lenoid Bass, SM Kaushansky, IM I. Ivanov, GM. J. Benjamin (1986 and 1987!) IM V. Frias, and SM M. Brooks. In fact, so anticipated was this tournament that seven players had not missed a single opportunity to participate in the entire span covering six years; Chow, Giles, Karklins, Martinovsky, Sandrin, Schiller, and Wallach were regularly found lingering about the tournament hall in eager anticipation of their next game!

As 1990 approached it was time for the tournament to grow again, and in their infinite wisdom the USCF decided to make this a national event. The US Masters Championship had been born. In anticipation of more players, the tournament relocated to its present site at the elegant Hyatt Regency Oakbrook. After seven tough games world class Grandmaster Tony Miles emerged as the clear winner one half-point ahead of Alexander Ivanov and James Rizzitano. Then there was silence for six long years!

Why this tournament remained in hiatus for so long I can not say, but it was with great joy that we learned this event was to be reinvigorated in 1996. Nigel Davies arrived from England and Arthur Yusupov from Germany to join thirteen other Grandmasters, seven IM's, and a host of our best Midwestern talent to determine who was the *"best of the best."* At the conclusion of seven grueling rounds one person stood

head and shoulders above the rest. Local Grandmaster Dmitry Gurevich had posted the only perfect score in the history of this event. This was a tremendous accomplishment! Gaining strength and energy with each passing game, Dmitry defeated along the way Jerry Wheeler (2224), Steven Spisjak (2275), and Mark Lonoff (2262), before reaching full stride with consecutive victories against GMs Nick DeFirmian (2694), Gregory Kaidanov (2656), John Fedorowicz (2623), and finally Alexander Shabalov (2606). The victory over his dear friend Kaidanov must have been especially sweet for Dmitry after having lost to the same opponent during the United States Championship.

The following games are included so that the reader may get a feel for the quality of chess and ferocity of struggles witnessed. I have purposely avoided annotations to conserve space and present a larger number of battles for your enjoyment. Tournament booklets covering the period 1982-1988 can be ordered from Helen Warren while the complete set of four bulletins including each game played in this year's event is available for \$10 by writing to the Games Editor.

We are also pleased to announce that Helen Warren and the USCF have agreed to maintain the momentum of this tournament by sponsoring it again next year at the same hotel. Phone you friends and begin to make plans now for March 6-9, 1997. If you are a Master now or have ever reached that rank in the past you are welcome to compete in what promises to be the tournament of a lifetime.

1996 US Master's Prize Winners (by prize awarded)

- 1st Dmitry Gurevich
 2nd-5th Artur Yusupov, Alexander Yermolinsky, Walter Browne
 6th-11th Nick DeFirmian, John Fedorowicz, Alexander Shabalov, Gregory Serper, Nigel Davies, Jim Dean
 2400-2499 Richard DeLaune, Josh Manion, Zmikhail Zlotnikov, Dan Wolf
 2300-2399 William Paschall, James Hove
 2200-2299 Steve Szpisjak, Jarod Bryan, Alexander Betaneli, David Mote, John Burke
 Under 2200 Jim Dean, Bill Calton
 Non-Master Andrei Zaremba, Todd Andrews

Selected Games from the 1996 US Master's

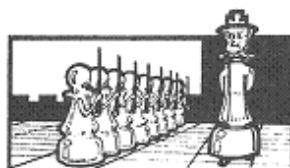
Naff B(2142) - Karklins A
 US Masters (1) 23, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. d4 exd4 4. ♘xd4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 d6 6. ♗e2 g6 7. 0-0 ♗g7 8. ♘b3 0-0 9. ♗g5 ♗d7 10. ♖h1 ♗b8 11. f4 b5 12. ♗xf6 ♗xf6 13. ♗xb5!? ♖13... ♗xc3 14. ♗xc6 ♗xb2 15. ♗b1 ♗xc6 16. ♗xb2 ♗xe4 17. ♖d4 ♗c6 18. ♖xa7 ♗b4 19. c3 ♗a4 20. ♖f2 ♖a8 21. h3 ♗d5 22. ♖d2 ♗c8 23. ♗f2 ♗ac4 24. ♗c2 ♗e4 25. ♗c1 ♖a3 26. ♖h2 d5 27. ♗e2 ♖d6 28. g3 ♖c7 29. ♗c3 ♖a7 30. ♗e2 ♖a6 31. ♗e3 ♗a4 32. ♗e2 ♗a8 33. ♗a1 ♖c4 34. ♖b2 f6 35. ♗f2 ♗b8 36. ♖c1 ♗c8 ♖[White has done well to stem the mounting pressure, but his position has now reached the breaking point and he can no longer defend all his weaknesses.] 37. ♘d2 ♖xc3 38. ♖xc3 ♗xc3 39. ♘xe4 dxe4 40. ♗e1 f5 41. ♗ee2 ♗aa3 42. ♗g2 ♖f7 43. ♗b2 h5 44. h4 ♗c1 45. ♗gd2 ♗d3 46. ♗bc2 ♗xc2 47. ♗xc2 e3 48. ♖g1 ♗d1+ 49. ♖g2 ♗d2+ 0:1



Yermolinsky A(2657) -
 Dandridge M
 US Masters (2) 03, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. e4 c6 3. ♘f3 ♘f6 4. ♘c3 dxc4 5. e4 b5 6. e5 ♘d5 7. a4 e6 8. axb5 ♘xc3 9. bxc3 exb5 10. ♘g5 ♗b7 11. ♖h5 g6 12. ♖g4 ♖ [The Geller Gambit is one of my favorite gambits for the sheer brutality of its intentions, and Yerm plays it like a consummate pro. This is a very powerful game by him.] 12... h6 13. ♘e4 ♗xe4?! [By exchanging his important light-squared bishop, Black already commits a decisive strategical error. Better are 13...h6, 13...♗e7, or 13...♗d5.] 14. ♖xe4 ♖d5 15. ♖e3! [White certainly does not wish to initiate the exchange of queens since he envisions that the ♗f1 will soon become master of the a8/h1 diagonal.] 15... a5 16. ♗e2 ♗a6 17. ♗f3 ♖d7 18. 0-0 ♘c6 19. d5! [The center must be opened for White's pieces before Black plugs it for good with ♘e7, ♘d5.] 19... exd5 20. ♗d1 d4 21. cxd4 ♘b4 22. ♗e4 ♗g7 23. ♗a3 ♖c8 24. ♖f3 ♘c6 25. ♗d6 ♘d8 26. ♗d5 b4 27. ♖e2 ♖ 1:0



Karklins A(2346) - Kaidanov G
 US Masters (2) 04, , 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♘c3 ♗b4 4. ♘e2 ♘c6 5. a3 ♗a5 6. b4 ♗b6 7. ♗b2 ♘h6 8. ♘a4 0-0 9. c4 dxc4 10. ♘xb6 axb6 11. ♘g3 ♖h4 12. ♗xc4 ♗d8 13. 0-0 ♘xd4 14. ♗xd4 e5 15. ♖b3 ♗xd4 16. ♘e2 ♗d6 17. ♗ac1 ♗d7 18. ♘c3 ♗d8 19. b5 ♗g6 20. ♘d5 c6 21. ♘e3 exb5 22. ♗d5 ♗c6 23. ♗c2 ♗gd6 24. f3 g6 25. ♗fc1 ♖g7 26. ♖c3 ♖g5 27. ♖e1 ♗xd5 28. ♘xd5 ♘f5 29. f4 exf4 30. ♗c8 ♘e3 31. ♖c3+ ♖h6 ♖ 32. ♘e3 fxe3 33. ♗xd8 ♗xd8 34. ♗e1 ♗d2 35. g3 ♖c5 36. ♗xe3 ♗c2 37. ♖xc5 bxc5 38. ♗b3 b4 39. axb4 c4 40. ♗f3 ♗b2 41. b5 ♗xb5 42. ♗xf7 ♗b2 43. ♗c7 b5 44. h4 ♗e2 45. ♗c5 b4 46. ♖f1 ♗xe4 47. ♖f2 c3 48. ♖f3 ♗e7 49. g4 ♗b7 50. h5 b3 51. g5+ ♖xh5 0:1

Gurevich D(2617) - Szpisjak S
 US Masters (2) 07, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. e4 g6 3. ♘c3 d5 4. ♘f3 ♗g7 5. ♗g5 ♘e4 6. ♗h4 ♘xc3 7. bxc3 dxc4 8. ♖a4+ ♘c6 9. e3 0-0 10. ♗xc4 a6 11. 0-0 ♗g4 12. ♗e2 b5 13. ♖c2 ♖d5 14. ♗g3 ♗f5 15. ♖c1 ♗fc8 16. ♘d2 g5 ♖ 17. e4! ♗xe4 18.

Qxe4 Wxe4 19. Ke1 Wg6 20. Af3
Ke8 21. Ae4 Wh6 22. h4 gxh4 23.
Wxh6 Axh6 24. Axc7 Qa7 25.
Axa8 Hxa8 26. Kxe7 Ad2 27. d5
Axc3 28. Hd1 Af6 29. Ke4 Ag7 30.
Hde1 Kc8 31. Ab6 Ha8 32. Ke8
Qc8 33. Ac5 1:0

Lonoff M(2262) - Zlotnikov M
US Masters (2) 13, , 1996

1. c4 Qf6 2. Qc3 g6 3. g3 Ag7 4.
Ag2 0-0 5. e4 d6 6. Qge2 Qbd7 7.
0-0 c6 8. d3 a6 9. a4 a5 10. h3 e5 11.
f4 exf4 12. Axf4 Qc5 13. d4 Qe6
14. Ae3 Qd7 15. Ah1 Wb6 16. Hb1
c5 17. Qd5 Wd8 18. Wd2 cxd4 19.
Qxd4 Qec5 20. Ag5 f6 21. Ah6
Qe5 22. Axg7 Ag7 23. b3 Ad7 24.
Qf4 Hf7 25. Hf2 Wf8 26. Hbf1 Ke8
27. Qd5 Axh3 28. Axh3 Qxe4 29.
We3 Qxf2+ 30. Wxf2 f5 31. Wd2
Ag8 32. Wxa5 Wh6 33. Ag2 Qc6
34. Wc3 Qxd4 35. Wxd4 Wg5 36.
Wf4 Wd8 37. Ah2 h5 38. Ag2 h4
39. gxh4 Ke2 40. Qc3 Hb2 41. Hb1
Kc2 42. Qd5 We8 43. Wg3 We5 44.
Ke1 Wxg3+ 45. Agx3 Hb2 46. Ke3
Ag7 47. Qf4 Ah6 48. Ad5 Hg7 49.
Qh3 Hb1 50. Qg5 Hg1+ 51. Ah2
Hb1 52. Ke8 Ah5 53. Ag3 Hxb3+
54. Af3+ Wxf3+ 55. Ahf3 1:0

Chow A(2368) - Bondari C
US Masters (2) 16, , 1996

1. d4 Qf6 2. c4 g6 3. Qc3 Ag7 4. e4
d6 5. f3 0-0 6. Ae3 e5 7. d5 Qe8 8.
Wd2 f5 9. exf5 gxf5 10. Ad3 a5 11.
Qge2 Qa6 12. 0-0 Qc5 13. Ac2 b6
14. a3 f4 15. Af2 Wg5 16. Ah1
Wh5 17. b4 Qb7 18. Qe4 Qf6 19.
Q2c3 Qxe4 20. Qxe4 Af5 21. We2
Axe4 22. Axc4 Hf6 23. c5 Hh6 24.
h3 bxc5 25. bxc5 We8 26. Hb1
Qd8 27. Wb5 We7 28. Af5 Af8 29.

cxd6 Wxd6 30. Wfc1 Wf6 31. Wd7
Ad6 32. Ae5 We7 33. Wxe7 1:0

Manion J(2464) - Mazuchwski T
US Masters (2) 24, , 1996

1. d4 Qf6 2. c4 g6 3. Qc3 Ag7 4. e4
0-0 5. f3 d6 6. Ae3 e5 7. d5 c5 8.
Ad3 Qe8 9. Qge2 f5 10. exf5 gxf5
11. Wd2 a6 12. Ag5 Af6 13. h4 Hf7
14. 0-0-0 Wa5 15. g4 f15... Ag7 16.
gxf5 b5 17. Hdg1 Axf5 18. h5 b4 19.
Qe4 Ah8 20. Ah1 Qd7 21. Q2g3
Axe4 22. Axc4 Af6 23. h6 Ag5
24. Wxg5 Wd8 25. We3 Qef6 26.
Af5 Qb6 27. Ae6 Hb7 28. Qf5
Qxc4 29. Wg5 1:0

Bungo G(2160) - Wallach K
US Masters (2) 29, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. b4 cxb4 3. a3 e6 4. Ab2
Wb6 5. axb4 Wxb4 6. Ac3 Wxe4+
7. Qe2 Qc6 8. f3 Wh4+ 9. g3 Wd8
10. Qa3 d5 11. Qb5 Qf6 12. Qed4
Ac5 13. f4 0-0 14. Qf3 d4 15. Ab2
e5 16. fxe5 Qg4 17. We2 Qxc5 18.
Qxe5 Qxe5 19. 0-0-0 Ke8 20. Ke1
Qd3+ 0:1

Karklins E(2100) - Acosta M
US Masters (2) 33, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. Qf3 Qc6 3. d4 cxd4 4.
Qxd4 g6 5. c4 Ag7 6. Qc2 d6 7.
Ae2 Qf6 8. Qc3 0-0 9. 0-0 Ad7 10.
Ke1 h6 11. Af1 a6 12. Qd5 Qxd5
13. exd5 Qe5 14. Qe3 f5 15. f4 Qf7
16. Wb3 Ad4 17. Ah1 Hb8 18. Qc2
Af6 19. a4 Wc7 20. Ad2 b5 21.
cxb5 axb5 22. a5 Hfe8 23. Qb4 Ha8
24. Kc1 Wa7 25. Ke1 Wd4 26.
Qd3 Wc4 27. Ha3 Wxb3 28. Hxb3

Kc7 29. Ab4 g5 30. g3 Ag7 31. Kc1
Kxc1 32. Qxc1 e5 33. Ac3 exf4 34.
Axb5 Axb5 35. Hxb5 Axc3 36.
bxc3 f3 37. Ag1 g4 38. Qa2 Ke8 39.
Hb2 Ha8 40. Hb5 Ke8 41. Hb2 Qc5
42. Qb4 Qc4 43. Ha2 Ke1+ 44.
Qf2 Hh1 45. a6 Axh2+ 46. Ag1
Hxa2 47. Qxa2 Qb6 48. a7 Qf6 49.
Qb4 Qe5 50. Qf2 Qe4 51. Qf1
Qa8 52. Qf2 f4 53. c4 fxg3+ 54.
Agx3 Qd4 0:1

Lonoff M(2262) - Gurevich D
US Masters (3) 07, , 1996

1. c4 e6 2. g3 d5 3. Qf3 Qf6 4. Ag2
c6 5. h3 Qbd7 6. 0-0 a5 7. Qc3 Ae7
8. d4 0-0 9. Wc2 b6 10. e4 Ae6 11.
e5 Qe8 12. Hd1 Qc7 13. Qe2 a4
14. h4 Ha7 15. Ag5 Ke8 16. Axc7
Wxe7 17. Qf4 Qf8 18. Hdb1 Kc8
19. Af1 Ab7 20. Ag2 c5 f1. bxa4
dxc4 22. Hxb6 cxd4 23. Qxd4 Axg2
24. Qxg2 Wc5 25. Qc6 Haa8 26.
Hb1 Qd5 27. Hb5 Wa3 28. Hb8
Hxb8 29. Qxb8 Qb4 30. We2 c3
31. Wf3 Wxa4 32. Hb7 We8 33.
Qf4 c2 34. Qe2 Hxb8 0:1

Gratz G(2203) - Chow A
US Masters (3) 10, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. Qf3 d6 3. Ab5+ Ad7 4.
a4 Qc6 5. 0-0 Qf6 6. Ke1 a6 7. Af1
e5 8. h3 g6 9. c3 Ag7 10. d4 Wc7
11. Ag5 h6 12. Axf6 Axf6 13. dxc5
dxc5 14. Wd5 Ae7 15. Qa3 Ae6 16.
Wd2 Qa5 17. Wc2 Ab3 18. Wb1
Axa4 19. Qc4 Qxc4 20. Axc4 Ad7
21. Wa2 0-0 22. Ad5 Ag7 23. Wa5
b6 24. Wa2 Ha7 25. Ke3 Ag5 26.
Hd3 Ac8 27. c4 f5 28. h3 Af6 29.
We2 We7 30. Hd2 Hd7 31. Hd1
Hfd8 32. Ac6 Hxd2 33. Hxd2 Hxd2
34. Wxd2 f4 35. Wd3 g5 36. Qd2
Wd8 37. Wxd8 Ad8 38. Qb1 Qf6
39. Qc3 Qe6 40. Qf1 Qd6 41. Ad5

♠d7 42. ♠b7 a5 43. ♠d5 h5 44.
♠f7 g4 45. ♠xh5 gxh3 46. gxh3
♠xh3+ 47. ♠g1 ♠d7 48. ♠g2 ♠h4
49. ♠f3 1/2:1/2

Wallach K(2228) - Martinovsky E
US Masters (3) 15, , 1996

1. d4 ♠f6 2. ♠f3 d5 3. c4 e6 4. ♠c3
♠b4 5. a3 ♠xc3+ 6. bxc3 c5 7. e3
♠c6 8. ♠d3 0-0 9. 0-0 dxc4 10.
♠xc4 ♠c7 11. ♠c2 e5 12. ♠d3 ♠e8
13. e4 c4 14. ♠xc4 exd4 15. ♠e1
♠g4 16. ♠g5 ♠e7 17. ♠b3 h6 18.
♠xf7 ♠xf7 19. exd4 ♠c8 20. ♠b2
♠h8 21. ♠xf7 ♠xf7 22. d5 ♠a5 23.
f3 ♠d7 24. ♠f2 ♠c4 25. ♠xa7 b6
26. ♠c3 ♠g6 27. ♠ac1 ♠h3 28. ♠e2
♠h7 29. ♠d4 ♠g5 [29 ... ♠d2 30.
♠xc8 ♠xf3+ 31. ♠f2 ♠xg2+ 32.
♠e3 ♠g1+ 33. ♠xf3 ♠g4+ 34. ♠f4
♠xd4+] 30. ♠cc2?! [30. f4!] 30...
♠e5 31. ♠xe5 ♠xc2 32. ♠xc2 ♠e3+
33. ♠f2 ♠e1+ 1/2:1/2

Acosta M(2201) - Karklins A
US Masters (3) 17, , 1996

1. d4 ♠f6 2. ♠f3 e6 3. ♠g5 h6 4.
♠xf6 ♠xf6 5. e4 ♠c6 6. c3 e5 7. d5
♠e7 8. g3 c6 9. c4 g5 10. ♠c3 ♠g6
11. ♠g2 ♠c5 12. 0-0 h5 13. ♠a4 d6
14. ♠xc5 dxc5 15. dxc6 bxc6 16.
♠d2 g4 17. ♠h4 ♠xh4 18. gxh4 0-0
19. ♠e3 ♠d8 20. ♠xc5 ♠d2 21. b3
♠e6 22. ♠xc6 ♠ad8 23. ♠c5 ♠d3
24. ♠xa7 ♠ 24... ♠h7 25. ♠ae1
♠xh4 26. ♠e3 ♠g5 27. ♠xd3 ♠xd3
28. ♠a3 ♠d2 29. ♠c1 ♠f4 30. a4
h4 31. ♠c3 ♠e8 32. a5 ♠b7 33.
♠e3 ♠b2 34. ♠c3 ♠e2 35. ♠c1
1/2:1/2

Gurevich D(2617) - DeFirmian N
US Masters (4) 01, , 1996

1. d4 ♠f6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 g6 4. ♠c3
d6 5. e4 ♠g7 6. ♠f3 0-0 7. ♠d3 e6
8. h3 exd5 9. exd5 ♠e7+ 10. ♠f1 ♠
[10. ♠e2 ♠e8 11. ♠xe7 ♠xe7+ 12.
♠d1 ♠bd7 13. ♠g5 h6 14. ♠h4 g5
15. ♠g3 ♠e8 16. ♠d2 ♠e5 17.
♠xc5 ♠xc5 18. ♠xc5 ♠xc5 19. f4
gxf4 20. ♠hf1 ♠g5=] 10... ♠bd7 11.
♠f4 ♠h5 12. ♠g5 ♠f6 13. ♠d2
♠e5 14. ♠e2 ♠xf3 15. ♠xf3 ♠g7
16. g4 ♠e5 17. ♠e2 f5 18. ♠e1 ♠d7
19. g5 ♠ae8 20. ♠d1 ♠d8 ♠ 21. h4
a6 22. h5 f4 23. hxg6 hxg6 24. ♠e4
♠f5 25. ♠c3 ♠xc3 26. bxc3 ♠g7
27. ♠c1 ♠h8 28. ♠xf4 ♠xh1+ 29.
♠xh1 ♠h8 30. ♠g2 ♠h4 31. ♠f3
♠xe4 32. ♠xe4 ♠xg5 33. ♠h3 ♠f7
34. ♠xf5 gxf5 35. ♠h1 ♠a4 36.
♠h7+ ♠f8 37. ♠h8+ ♠f7 38. ♠c8
♠h4 39. ♠e6+ ♠g7 1:0

Dandridge M(2353) - Lonoff M
US Masters (4) 12, , 1996

1. d4 ♠f6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 b5 4. cxb5
a6 5. b6 a5 6. e3 ♠xb6 7. ♠c3 ♠a6
8. ♠e2 c6 9. e4 d6 10. dxe6 fxe6 11.
e5 dxe5 12. ♠f3 ♠bd7 13. 0-0 ♠d6
14. ♠xa6 ♠xa6 15. a4 0-0 16. ♠b5
e4 17. ♠d2 ♠b8 18. h3 ♠h2+ 19.
♠h1 ♠e5 20. ♠e2 ♠b7 21. ♠c4
♠d4 22. ♠d2 ♠e5 ♠ 23. ♠xd4
♠xc4 24. ♠xc4 cxd4 25. ♠xd4 ♠d5
26. ♠c3 ♠xd4 27. ♠xd4 ♠d8 28.
♠e5 ♠d5 29. ♠c3 ♠d3 30. ♠ac1
♠d5 31. ♠e5 ♠a8 32. ♠c6 ♠f7 33.
♠e4 ♠f6 34. ♠c7+ ♠g6 35. ♠fc1
♠ad8 36. ♠1c6 e3 37. fxe3 ♠xe3 38.
♠c3 ♠d5 39. ♠a7 h5 40. ♠cc7
♠d1+ 41. ♠h2 ♠e8 42. ♠e7 ♠d8
43. ♠xa5 ♠e8 44. ♠c3 1:0

Kinnaird R(2119) - Martinovsky E
US Masters (4) 17, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♠f3 ♠c6 3. ♠c4 ♠c5 4.
d3 ♠f6 5. 0-0 d6 6. c3 0-0 7. b4 ♠b6
8. a4 a5 9. b5 ♠e7 10. ♠g5 ♠g6 11.
♠bd2 h6 12. ♠e3 c6 13. bxc6 bxc6
14. ♠xb6 ♠xb6 15. ♠b1 ♠c7 16. g3
♠d8 17. ♠e2 ♠g4 18. ♠e3 ♠ab8
19. d4 d5 20. ♠d3 dxe4 21. ♠xe4
♠d5 22. ♠e2 f5 23. ♠xh8 ♠xb8 24.
♠b1 ♠c8 25. ♠a6 ♠xf3 26. ♠xc8
♠xe2 27. ♠xf5 ♠d3 28. ♠b7 ♠xe4
29. ♠xe4 ♠xc3 30. ♠xg6 exd4 31.
♠d3 ♠xa4 32. ♠f1 ♠c5 33. ♠c4+
♠h8 34. ♠a7 d3 35. ♠e1 d2+ 36.
♠d1 ♠e4 37. ♠b3 ♠c3+ 0:1

Naff B(2142) - Karklins E
US Masters (4) 39, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♠f3 ♠c6 3. ♠b5 ♠d4 4.
♠xd4 exd4 5. d3 c6 6. ♠a4 ♠f6 7.
0-0 d6 8. c3 ♠b6 9. cxd4 ♠xd4 10.
♠c3 ♠g4 11. ♠c2 ♠d7 12. ♠e3
♠e5 13. d4 ♠h5 14. ♠fe1 ♠e7 15.
♠ad1 b5 16. ♠b3 0-0 17. ♠f4 ♠g4
18. ♠e2 ♠h5 19. f3 ♠g6 20. ♠c1
♠h8 21. ♠c3 ♠h4 22. g3 ♠xg3 23.
hxg3 ♠xg3 24. ♠xg3 ♠xg3+ 25.
♠f1 ♠h3+ 26. ♠e2 f5 27. e5 dxe5
28. dxe5 ♠g2+ 29. ♠c3 f4+ 30. ♠e4
♠f5+ 31. ♠xf4 ♠c2+ 32. ♠e3
♠xf3+ 33. ♠d4 ♠g4+ 34. ♠c5
♠xc3+ 35. bxc3 ♠xd1 36. ♠xd1
♠g3 37. ♠xc6 ♠xe5 38. ♠d5 ♠c8+
39. ♠xb5 ♠xc3 40. ♠a6 ♠c5 41.
♠b7 ♠c7+ 42. ♠a6 ♠b6# 0:1



Chow A(2368) - Kaidanov G
US Masters (6) 05, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. ♘f3 ♘f6 4. ♘c3
c6 5. ♗g5 dxc4 6. e4 b5 7. e5 h6 8.
♙h4 g5 9. ♘xg5 hxg5 10. ♗xg5
♗bd7 11. exf6 ♖a5 12. g3 ♗a6!? ♚
13. ♗e2 0-0-0 14. ♖c2 ♗b6 15.
♗e3 b4 16. ♗e4 b3+ 17. ♗d2 bxc2
18. ♗xa5 ♗xd4 19. ♗d2 ♗d5 20. a3
♗b5 21. ♗c1 ♗a4 22. ♗xc4 ♗h5
23. b3? ♗xc4! 24. bxc4 ♗xa3 25. 0-0
♗xc1 26. ♗xc1 ♗xf6 27. ♗c3 ♗d7
28. ♗d4 c5 29. ♗e3 ♗e5 30. ♗a1
♗c6 31. ♗c1 ♗a4 32. ♗a1 f5 33. f4
♗g4 34. ♗xc5 ♗xh2 0:1

Browne W(2604) - Ziane N
US Masters (6) 07, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. ♘f3 ♘f6 4. ♘c3
dxc4 5. a4 ♗f5 6. e3 e6 7. ♗xc4
♗b4 8. 0-0 ♗bd7 9. ♖e2 ♗g6 10.
e4 ♗xc3 11. bxc3 ♗xe4 12. ♗a3
♖c7 13. ♗fc1 ♗d6 ♚ 14. ♗xe6 0-0
15. ♗e5 fxe6 16. ♘g6 hxg6 17.
♖xe6+ ♗f7 18. ♗xf8 ♗xf8 19. ♖b3
♗e8 20. ♗e1 ♗e7 21. ♗ab1 b6 22.
♖c4 ♗xe1+ 23. ♗xe1 ♖d7 24. h3
♗h7 25. ♖e2 ♗g5 26. ♖e7 ♖f5 27.
♗e5 ♖b1+ 28. ♗h2 ♗ge6 29. ♖xa7
♖b2 30. ♗e3 ♖xf2 31. ♗f3 ♖d2 32.
♖b8 ♖b2 33. a5 g5 34. axb6 ♗g6
35. ♖g3 ♖xb6 36. ♖g4 ♖b8+ 37.
♗g1 ♗ef4 38. ♖xg5 ♖b1+ 39. ♗h2
♖e4 40. ♖g4 ♗g8 41. h4 ♖d5 42.
♗xf4 ♖d6 43. g3 ♗xf4 44. ♖xf4
♖d5 45. ♖c3 ♖c4 46. ♗h3 ♗f7 47.
h5 ♖f1+ 48. ♗g4 ♖c4 49. ♗g5
♖d5+ 50. ♖e5 ♖c4 51. ♖f5+ ♗e8
52. ♗g6 ♖xc3 53. ♖e6+ ♗d8 54.
♖d6+ ♗e8 55. ♗xg7 ♖c1 56.
♖e5+ ♗d7 57. h6 ♖d1 58. h7
1:0

Rajlich V(2226) - Martinovsky E
US Masters (6) 17, , 1996

1. e4 d5 2. exd5 ♖xd5 3. ♘c3 ♖a5
4. d4 ♗f6 5. ♗f3 ♗f5 6. ♗c4 e6 7.
0-0 ♗bd7 8. ♗f4 c6 9. a3 ♗d5 10.
♗xd5 cxd5 11. ♖e2 ♗e7 12. ♗fe1
♗c8 13. ♗g5 0-0 14. g4 ♗xg5 15.
♗xg5 ♗g6 16. h4 h6 17. ♗f4 ♖b6
18. h5 ♗h7 19. ♗ab1 ♖xd4 20. ♗d6
♗fd8 21. g5 ♗f5 22. ♗bd1 ♖h4 23.
♗e7 ♗c8 24. gxh6 ♖xe7 0:1

Kinnaid R(2119) - Lonoff M
US Masters (6) 23, , 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♘c3 ♗f6 4. ♗g5
♗b4 5. exd5 ♖xd5 6. ♗xf6 gxf6 7.
♗f3?! [White's correct response in
this variation is 7.♗e2 in order to
drive the bishop from b4 or force it's
exchange without allowing damage to
the queenside pawn structure.
Englishman Murray Chandler has
even come up with a couple of
interesting gambits wh 7... ♗g8 8.
♖d3 ♗c6 9. a3 ♖a5 10. g3 b6 11.
♗e2 ♗xc3+ 12. ♖xc3 ♖xc3+ 13.
bxc3 ♗b7 14. ♗g1 0-0-0 15. 0-0-0
♗e7 1/2: 1/2

Wallach K(2228) - Karklins A
US Masters (7) 16, , 1996

1. ♗f3 ♗f6 2. g3 d6 3. ♗g2 e5 4. d3
♗bd7 5. 0-0 ♗e7 6. c4 a6 7. ♘c3
♗b8 8. ♗h4 b5 9. ♗f5 ♗f8 10. ♗c6
♗b6 11. cxb5 axb5 12. ♗xb5 c6 13.
♗a4 ♗c5 14. e4 ♗xa4 15. ♗xa4
♗a6 16. ♘c3 g6 17. ♗h6 ♖d7 18.
f3 ♖h3 19. ♗g4 ♗xg4 20. fxg4 h5
21. ♗g5 hxg4 22. ♗f2 d5 23. d4 f5
24. exd5 e4 25. ♖e2 cxd5 26. ♗xd5

♗d6 27. ♗f4 ♖h7 28. ♖b5+ ♖d7
29. ♖xd7+ ♗xd7 30. ♗xg6 ♗g8 31.
♗f4 ♗xg6 32. ♗xd6 ♗gx6 33. ♗d2
♗a4 34. ♗ad1 ♗xa2 35. ♗f2 ♗b6
36. ♗b1 ♗b3 37. ♗c2 ♗d3 38. ♗h1
♗xd4 39. h4 ♗b4 40. h5 ♗bxb2 41.
♗xb2 ♗xb2+ 42. ♗e3 ♗f7 43. h6
♗b8 44. ♗f4 ♗g6 45. ♗d1 ♗e6 46.
♗e5 ♗e8 47. ♗h1 ♗g8+ 48. ♗f4
♗h7 49. ♗e3 ♗d8 50. ♗f2 ♗d3 51.
♗g2 ♗d2+ 0:1

Gratz G(2203) - Burke J
US Masters (7) 21, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♗f3 ♗c6 3. ♘c3 e5 4.
♗c4 ♗e7 5. 0-0 d6 6. ♗d5 ♗f6 7.
♗e1 0-0 8. c3 ♗g4 9. ♗e3 ♗d7 10.
d3 ♗a5 11. ♗d5 ♗xd5 12. exd5 b6
13. a3 f5 14. b4 ♗b7 15. ♖b3 ♗h8
16. h3 ♗c8 17. ♗b2 ♗f6 18. ♗f1 b5
19. ♗d2 a5 20. ♗a2 c4 21. dxc4
bxc4 22. ♖d1 ♖c7 23. ♗f1 ♗a8 24.
♗a1 ♗d8 25. ♖d2 ♗f7 26. ♗g3 g6
27. ♗f1 e4 28. ♗d4 ♗e5 29. ♗g1
♗d3 30. ♗c2 axb4 31. axb4 ♗xa1+
32. ♗xa1 ♗a8 33. ♖d1 ♗xd4 34.
cxd4 c3 35. f3 ♗a4 36. ♖f1 c2 37.
♗xc2 ♗xc2 38. fxe4 ♖a7 39. ♗c3
♖a3 40. ♗e2 ♗xb4 41. exf5 gxf5
42. ♖f4 ♗xd5 43. ♖g5 ♗g8 44.
♖h6 ♗e4 45. ♗f4 ♖xc3 0:1



KASPAROV v. DEEP BLUE: AN INSIDER'S PERSPECTIVE

By Ken Marshall

The February, 1996 match between Professional Chess Association World Champion Gary Kasparov and IBM "super computer" DEEP BLUE attracted world wide attention. The "man versus machine" publicity intensified after DEEP BLUE won game one, becoming the first computer to defeat a reigning world champion in a game played at a "traditional" tournament time control.

American Grandmaster Joel Benjamin, former U.S. Champion and long one of the top players in the United States, was the chess consultant for the IBM team. The 32 year old GM recently talked about that experience in an exclusive interview with the ILLINOIS CHESS BULLETIN.

ICB: How did you become involved in the DEEP BLUE project?

JB: Late last summer the IBM team wanted to test its program against grandmaster competition. I played two games against DEEP BLUE and won both. One of the games was a "grind it out" six hour battle. The IBM people were impressed by the way I outlasted DEEP BLUE and exploited its weaknesses. They were also aware of my success in the 1994 and 1995 Harvard Cup matches [ICB: Benjamin had the best score in each of these "human v. computer" contests, and did not lose a game in either match] and knew that I had drawn a long game with Kasparov in Switzerland in 1994. When IBM asked me if I might be interested in working with the DEEP BLUE team, I said "Yes". Several months later I was offered the position.

ICB: What was your job?

JB: I played against DEEP BLUE and tested it in various positions. If I saw something that needed work, I told the programmers. They would then make the necessary changes in DEEP BLUE. One of the programmers was Murray Campbell, a master strength chess player who keeps up with opening theory.

ICB: Did you concentrate on any particular aspect of the game?

JB: I usually started with the opening. Openings are crucial for a computer program because specific preparations can be made. I also spent a lot of time on



GM Joel Benjamin Speaks to Members of the Oak Park-River Forest Chess Club Prior to Giving a Simultaneous Display.

the endgame. The ending differs from the rest of the game in that some of the general principles of chess may be of greater or lesser importance; for instance, control of the center may not be as critical in the ending as in the opening or the middle game. I tried to help make DEEP BLUE understand this.

ICB: What did you think of DEEP BLUE'S chances as the match approached?

JB: I had mixed feelings. I was impressed with what the program could do if it got the right positions, but I knew it had weaknesses. The key would be to get DEEP BLUE into positions in which it excels more often than Kasparov could get it into positions in which he could exploit its weaknesses.

ICB: What are these "weaknesses" you have mentioned?

JB: I can't be too specific about this because DEEP BLUE remains an ongoing project. In general, the program's appreciation of chess strategy has to be improved. I worked on upgrading DEEP BLUE'S "strategic sense", things like when a Bishop is stronger than a Knight and vice versa, when a Rook on an open file is important, etc.

ICB: What were DEEP BLUE'S strong points?

JB: DEEP BLUE'S greatest strength is its tactical play, where its tremendous computational power can "kick in".

The computer plays best in situations when it can take advantage of its ability to calculate, and is in its element in sharp tactical positions. Although Kasparov is an excellent tactician, he's only human; a computer's calculating prowess is awesome.

ICB: How long did you have to prepare DEEP BLUE for the match?

JB: I didn't have a lot of time once the dates were set. I worked with the IBM team full time for eight weeks before the match started. In essence, I had two months to do what could have been a six month job. The bad winter weather in New York City caused problems; there were days when the snow was so bad team members could not make it to work. This cut down the amount of preparation time.

ICB: How did you expect DEEP BLUE to perform?

JB: I really didn't know what to expect. The "whole machine" - that is, the fully functioning, 32 processor program - did not come together until a week before the match began. The first game DEEP BLUE played at a time control of 40 moves in two hours with all 32 processors on line was game one of the match. I thought DEEP BLUE could win that game if Kasparov got careless and let the game go in the wrong direction.

ICB: Did you think DEEP BLUE could win the match?

JB: I considered the program to be a definite underdog. Kasparov understands how to play chess much better than DEEP BLUE does. As long as he kept the games in territory not favorable to DEEP BLUE, Kasparov was likely to prevail. DEEP BLUE can't think like that. A computer can't "consciously" force a game into a particular style. The best the programmers can do is to put in "prejudices" which will try to steer the game in the direction of the computer's strengths.

ICB: How did you feel when Kasparov resigned the first game?

JB: Watching the world champion resign was the most memorable moment of the match for me. This was especially so because I had heard that Kasparov had consulted with computer experts before the match and

then had rather arrogantly concluded that he would not lose a game to DEEP BLUE.

ICB: Did you see any change in Kasparov's play after his defeat?

JB: I think that Kasparov now realized that he did not want to "duke it out" tactically with DEEP BLUE as he might with a human opponent. He understood that he had to keep things quiet and not give DEEP BLUE anything to attack.

ICB: What happened in game five, when the IBM team turned down Kasparov's draw offer and DEEP BLUE went on to lose rather decisively?

JB: DEEP BLUE constantly evaluates its position. If its evaluation is negative for itself, it will take a draw by repetition if that opportunity arises. DEEP BLUE thought it was minus 1/10th of a pawn when Kasparov proposed the draw.

The programmers asked me what they should do. I don't believe a negative evaluation of less than half a pawn is particularly meaningful. But I was reluctant to make what in the context of the match was a monumental decision for a project I had joined late and had had so little to do with. I told the programmers that, from a chess standpoint, the position was about even, and that I thought DEEP BLUE could handle it. I didn't see any features in the position that the program would not understand well. In hindsight, I was wrong; DEEP BLUE played badly after the draw offer was declined.

A draw would have tied the match going into game six. DEEP BLUE had black in that game, and I had some definite concerns about this. White can dictate the style of the game, and I could envision Kasparov heading into positions dangerous for DEEP BLUE. Other considerations were also involved: Kasparov was getting short on time; also, the IBM team didn't want to finish quickly and give Kasparov a chance to rest.

I also had a more personal reason for not wanting to split the point. Draws are often mysterious to the general public. The game had a lot of play left. I had seen too many early draws become a public relations disaster at the Kasparov-Anand PCA World Championship match, and I was happy to be involved in a match where most games were being fought to a decisive conclusion.

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Non-chess factors were important too. The IBM programmers are first and foremost scientists. From a scientific standpoint, the best way to fully test the capabilities of DEEP BLUE was to play the game out. In addition, everyone on the IBM side was surprised by the impact of the match on the public at large. The publicity and interest among non-chess players were beyond all expectations.

The decision to play on or not had to be made quickly. Only a few moments passed between the time Kasparov offered the draw and the time DEEP BLUE'S proposed move appeared on its screen. The arbiter wanted a decision as soon as the computer was ready to move. After quick consultation, the IBM team chose to continue the game.

Disaster soon followed. I realized that I hadn't discovered all of the program's weaknesses during the previous two months as I watched DEEP BLUE allow its Knight to get pinned in the center two different ways. None of its pieces could really move, and Kasparov won quickly.

ICB: How do you respond to those who oppose IBM's effort to, in the words of some critics, "make a machine superior to man" or "destroy human creativity"?

JB: Such critics miss the point. What the IBM team is doing with DEEP BLUE is every bit as creative as what Kasparov does when he plays chess. This is not man versus machine; it is man the performer versus man the tool maker. No IBM team member thought of DEEP BLUE as a possible replacement for Kasparov. No computer achievement could diminish the greatness of Kasparov's chess. Gary Kasparov is a stronger chess player than any computer program. We knew that before the match, and we know it now. The challenge was to see how the match would turn out, to see how well a tool created by men would do in competition with a player of Kasparov's talent.

ICB: Is there any possibility of a rematch?

JB: IBM was very enthusiastic about DEEP BLUE and future matches after the success of this match. I think there is a definite chance that a rematch will be scheduled for sometime next year. ♔

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Hunting the Big Game: An attack on the uncastled king.

by IM Alan Watson

Nothing in chess gives the vast majority of us greater satisfaction than a successful, all-out, and blistering attack against an opponent's king. Simply calculating the assorted variations and potential sacrifices yields more exhilaration than the opening of presents on Christmas day! The most pure form of this involves stealing upon our opponents in broad daylight when they can see everything we do but are rendered incapable of defending against our cunning and powerful blows. Yes, I'm talking about the attack on an uncastled king.

Such cases are far and few between, and usually represent either gross miscalculations on the part of our opponents or the intentional acceptance of risk so as to imbalance the game and seek winning chances. However, if we are not precise and resolute in our response, our opponent's king will simply slither away to coordinate his forces and any advantage we held will then be lost.

Call your bearers, don your boots and pith helmet, and shoulder your rifle ... we're off on safari to stalk one of the most prized yet elusive beasts in the proverbial chess jungle ... *the uncastled king!*

G Watson, A (USA)
O Snoek, A (South Africa) Cr,
Afroatin Cup, 1996

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3 a6 5.a4 e6 6.g3 [The standard 7.e3 is safer, but larger and more diverse game can always be found by moving away from the established by-ways of opening theory and into the wild undergrowth of unexplored territory. There are a few footprints, however, which tell me that I am not the first.] 6...dxc4 7.♗g2 ♖b4?!



[7...e5! (The few top-level players who have passed along this path deemed it necessary to immediately battle for the center while providing for a more comfortable development of their queenside pieces.)

A) 8.dxc5 ♗xd1+ 9.♘xd1 ♘c6 10.♘e3 ♗xc5 11.♘xc4 ♗e7 12.0-0 ♘d5 13.♗fe5 ♘d4 14.♗e3 ♘xe3 15.fxe3 ♗f5 16.b4 ♗a7 17.♗ad1 f6 18.♗xb7 ♗xb7 19.♗d7+ ♗e8 20.♗xb7 fxe5 21.g4 ♘xe3 22.♘d6+ ♗d8 ½-½ Bareev, E - Shirov, A/Groningen (3) PCA 1993;

B) 8.0-0 cxd4 (8...♘c6 9.dxc5 ♗xd1 10.♘xd1 ♗xc5 11.♗e3 ♗b4 12.♗c1 e5 13.♘d2 ♗g4 14.f3 ♗e6 15.♘xc4 0-0 16.f4 exf4 17.gxf4 ♘d5 18.♘b6 ♗xg2 19.♗xg2 ♗ad8 20.♗c4 ♗fe8 21.♗f3 ♗a5 22.♗g1 ♗d2 23.♗e3 ♗d6 24.♗c5 ♗de6 25.b4 ♗xb6 26.♗xb6 ♘d7 27.♗c7 b5 28.axb5 axb5 29.♗c3 ♘d4+ 30.♗g2

♗xe2+ 31.♗f2 ♗f3 32.♗f1 h6 33.♗d3 Peter Heine Nielsen - Lars Schandorff/DK champ class(4) 1994/½-½ (54) 9.♘xd4

B1) 9...♗e7 10.♘c2 (10.e4 ♘c6 11.♘xc6 ♗xd1 12.♗xd1 bxc6 13.a5 e5♗; 10.a5 0-0 11.♗a4 ♗c7♗) 10...♘bd7 (10...♗xd1 11.♗xd1 ♘c6 12.a5 ♗ ♘a3±; 10...♗c7 11.♗f4 e5 12.♗g5 ♘bd7 13.♘e3 ±/±) 11.♘a3 (11.♘e3 ♘c5 12.♘xc4 ♗xd1 13.♗xd1 ♘b3 14.♗b1 ♘xc1 15.♗bxc1 0-0 16.♘e5±) 11...♗c7 12.♗d4 ♗xa3 13.♗xa3 e5 (13...♗b8 14.♗d1 0-0 15.♗a7♗) 14.♗h4 0-0? (14...♗f8 15.♘e4 ♘xe4 16.♗xe4 ♗b8 17.f4 ♗d7 18.fxe5±) 15.g4!± ♗a5 (15...h6 16.g5 hxg5 17.♗xg5 ♗c5 18.♗d1+-; 15...♗d8 16.g5 ♘e8 17.♘d5 h6 18.♗d1+-) 16.g5 ♘e8 17.♘d5 ♘b6 18.♘c7+ ♗h8 19.♗f3 (19.♗xb7 ♗a7 20.♗c6 ♗xe7 21.♗h3 h6 22.gxh6 g6 23.♗g5♗; 19.♘xc8 ♗xc8 20.♗h3 h6 21.g6+-) 19...♘d6 (19...♘d5 20.♗xf7! ♗xf7 21.g6 ♗ef6 22.gxf7 ♗e6 23.♗g6!!; 19...♗e6 20.g6 ♗f6 21.♗xf6+-) 20.♗xh7+ 1-0 Shulman, Y-Botvinnik, II/BLR-ch Minsk ;EXP 42 1994;

B2) 9...♗c5 10.♗e3 ♗e7 11.♘c2 0-0 12.a5 ♘c6 13.♘a4 ♗xe3 14.♘xe3 ♗d8 15.♗e1 ♘d4 16.♘b6 ♗b8 17.♗d1 e5 18.♘xc4 ♗g4 19.♗d2 e4 20.h3 ♗e6 21.♗d1 ♘c6 22.♗a4 ♗xd2 23.♘xd2 e3 24.♘dc4 exf2+ 25.♗xf2 ♗c7 26.♗a3 ♘xa5 27.♗xa5 ♗xc4 28.♘xc4 ♗xc4 29.♗xb7 ♗b3 30.♗f3 ♗e6 31.♗g2 ♗xb2 32.♗f1 g6 Kamsky, Gata - Bareev, Evgeny /Linares (04) 1994/½-½ (43)

8.0-0 ♗xc3?! [An unwise decision consistent with Black's goal of maintaining the extra queenside pawn that he has "won."] 9.bxc3 b5 [An animal (My animal!) has finally bolted from the bush, thus the battle now begins in earnest. A cursory glance at the position indicates advantages for White in development and central influence to offset the gambit pawn. Unless I am relentless

and absolutely precise in my pursuit, however, my opponent may yet scurry out of reach.] 10.♖e5 ♖b7 11.♙a3



[This long-range bishop "spears" the dark squares in the heart of Black's position and will continually deny his monarch access to shelter on the kingside.]

11...♗d5 12.e4! [Perhaps Black's first rude shock, as now White's pawns thunder forward to overrun the center with the force of stampeding elephants. Even if he did anticipate this move, though, I'm sure he missed my next!] 12...♗e7 [12...♗xc3? 13.♖f3 f6 14.♖h5+ g6 15.♗xg6+--]

13.d5!!



[This shot from my rifle staggers the great beast, but he nonetheless continues off through the dense brush. A slight trail of blood excites the hounds further and assures my confidence in the severity of the wound. Less forceful continuations would allow Black to consolidate his position by castling.]

13...♗xd5! [This solves the problem of dealing with White's bloodthirsty pawns, but what about that lingering matter of getting the king into safety!? If instead 13...cxd5 14.♗xc7! ♖xe7 15.exd5 exd5 (15...0-0?? 16.d6!) 16.♖e1

0-0 17.♗xd5 ♗xd5 18.♖xd5 ♖a7 19.axb5±; 13...0-0 14.dxc6!+--]

14.exd5 cxd5 15.axb5 axb5 16.♖h5! ♖f6 17.♗d6!



[White's minor pieces continue to cage-in the opposing king.]

17...♖xa1 [17... ♗a6 18.♖fb1 ♖d8 19.♖xb5 ♖xd6 20.♖xb7 0-0 21.♗d7+--] 18.♖xa1 ♗a6



19.♗d5!!

[This final vigorous blow disrupts Black's feeble attempt to block all files and assures the entrance of White's rook into the heart of Black's camp along either the "a" or "e" files. If, for instance 19... ♗xd5 20. ♖xa6, or 19...cxd5 20. ♖e1 g6 21. ♖g4 ♖c6 22. ♗f3.] 1-0

G Watson, A (2283)
O Desplande, A (2005)
US Amateur Team Midwest
(2), 1996

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♗f3 ♗f6 4.♗c3 c5 5.d5 e6 6.e4 exd5 [6...♗xc4?! (Regarded as a dubious attempt to win three pawns for a piece.) 7.♗xe4 exd5 8.♗c3 ♗e6 9.♗g5 ♗c6 10.g3! ♗e7 11.♗xc6 fxe6 12.♗h3! +--]

7.e5 d4 [7...♗g4? (This alternative to the main line of 7...♗f7 makes no sense at all and merely tosses Black into a cauldron of boiling oil.) 8.h3 ♗xf2 9.♖xf2 d4 10.♗xc4 ♗e7 11.♗e4 0-0 12.♖f1 a6 13.a4 ♗c6 14.♗g1 ♖b8 15.♗eg5 b5? 16.♗xf7+ ♖xf7 17.♗xf7 ♗xf7 18.♗xd4+ Watson, A - Weber, L Suburban Chess League 1987]

8.♗xc4!



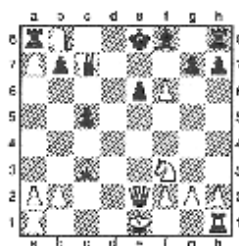
[Rapid development above all else! Also played has been 8.exf6!? dxc3 9.♖xd8+ ♗xd8 10.♗g5 g6 (10... ♗c7 11.bxc3 ♗e6 12.♗d2 ♗d7 13.♗xc4 ♗xc4 14.♗xc4 ♗e5 15.♗d5 c4 16.0-0 h6 17.fxg7 ♗xg7 18.♗f4 ♖ac8 19.♖ab1 ♗d6 20.♖fd1 ♖c7 21.♗xc4+ ♗e7 22.♗d5 ♖d8 23.c4 a6 24.♖e1 f6 25.♗d2 ♖xd5 26.cxd5 ♗d6 27.♗a5 ♖d7 28.♖b6+ ♗xd5 29.♖d1+ ♗c5 30.♖xd7 ♗xd7 31.♖xb7 Freeman, M - Baites, L World Open (02), 1991) 11.0-0-0+ ♗e8 12.♗xc4 cxb2+ 13.♖xb2 ♗e6 14.♗xe6 fxe6 15.♗e5 Lesiege - Forest, Montreal (1) 1992]

8...♗e6? [Black seeks to avoid one trap while falling headlong into another. Other tries are as follows:

A) 8...♗c6 9.exf6 dxc3 10.♖c2+ ♗d7 11.♗f4 ♖a5 12.♖d1+ ♗d4 13.♖b5+ Uhlmann, W - Wade, R, Hastings 1958;

B) 8...dxc3 9.♗xf7+ ♗e7 10.exf6+ gxf6 11.♖b3 (11.♗d5 ♖c7 12.0-0 ♗d7 13.♗g5! ♗g7 14.♖e1+ ♗d8 15.♗f7+ ♗c8 16.♗d6+ ♖xd6 17.♗xb7+ ♗c7 18.♖xd6+ ♗xd6 19.♗f4# with a beautiful mate in the game Prianishenko - Zaitsev, date and location unknown) 11...♖b6 12.0-0 ♖xb3 13.♗xb3± Vladimirov, B - Heuer, URS 1961;

C) 8... ♔g4 9.h3 ♗c6 10.hxg4 dxc3
 11.♖b3 ♖c7 12.e6 fxe6 13.bxc3 ♗d7
 14.♖c2 ♗c5 15.♗xe5 fxe5- 16.♗c3 0-
 0-0 17.♗h5 ♖c7 18.♗h7 ♗h7
 19.♖xh7 ♖c5 20.♖c1 ♗c6 21.♖g6 ♗d5
 22.♗xd5 ♖xd5 23.c4 ♖xg2 24.♖xe6+
 ♗h8 25.♗e2 ♖h2 26.♖e4 ♖c7 27.♖b1
 ♗d6 28.♗d1 ♗h8 29.♖e6 a6 30.♗d5
 Casanús - Abramson, H Buenos Aires
 FMIDA II (08) 1990] 9.♗xe6 fxe6
 10.exf6 ♖a5? [With a difficult
 position in any case, this move
 merely accelerated the loss.
 10...gxf6=; 10...dxc3?? 11.f+ 1-0
 Holtes - Soleh, Aulen 1989] 11.♗d2!
 [Simpler than 11.♗c5 ♖c7 12.♖a5+
 O'Kelly - Davic, Dundee SN75/2
 1967] 11...dxc3 12.♗xc3 ♖c7 13.♖e2



[Despite the limited development by both sides, Black has no way to shuttle his king to safety or avoid a substantial loss of material.]

1-0

G Marshall, J(2151)
O Tutush, D(2156)
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Le4 e5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
 ♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♗g5 e6 7.f4 b5! [As
 noted in earlier annotations, this
 diabolical thrust is called the
 Polugaevsky Variation and introduces
 the most unfathomable complications
 of any opening variation. I know,
 because at one time it was part of my
 repertoire!]

8.e5 dxe5 9.fxe5 ♖c7 10.♖c2 ♗f7
 11.0-0-0



[White possesses an impressive lead
 in development, but must calculate
 how best to break down the
 barricades to Black's king. The ♖e5 is
 offered as bait in order to open lines.]

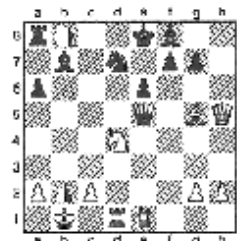
11... ♗b7 12.♖g4 ♖xe5 13.♗e2!
 [Given an exclamation point by Van
 der Vliet, this move seeks to
 complete development by bringing
 White's last rook into the center.
 While Black's position is solid, he
 must still be extremely careful in
 view of the tremendous power White
 has amassed.]

13... h5?! [13... Be5!?, which has
 been suggested by Sigurjonsson, may
 be Black's best try. A possible
 continuation then might be 14.♖h1
 ♗xd4 15.♖xd4 ♗f6! 16.♗e2 f5 17.♖h4
 0-0 18.♗d3 ♖f6 19.♗g5 ♖f7 with a
 passive but solid position for Black.]

14.♖h4 h4 [14... f6!?
 15.♗f4 g5 16.♖xh5+ ♗xh5 17.♗xh5+
 ♖c7 18.♗xc5 ♗xc5 19.♗c3 ♗xf3
 20.♗xf3 g4 21.♗e1= Balashov; 14...
 g6? 15.♗f3 ♗xf3 16.♗xf3 ♗f5 17.♗f5
 ♗a7 18.♖d4 +-]

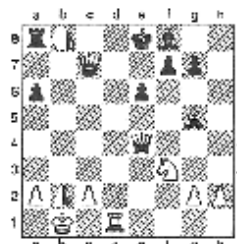
15.♗e1 bxc3 16.♗xh5 cxb2+
 [Capturing the b2 pawn will only
 provide shelter for the White king to
 hide behind! Best was an immediate
 16... ♖e4 with advantage.]

17.♗b1 ♗xh5 18.♖xh5?!



[It's easy to miss the surprisingly
 powerful 18.♖xc6!] in wild street
 brawls like this. One minor point is
 that checkmate follows 18... ♗xh4
 19.♗c7.]

18... ♗c4 19.♖g4 ♗c5 20.♗f3
 [20.♖xc6! ♗xc6 21.♖xc6+-] 20... ♖h7
 21.♖xc4 ♗xc4 22.♖xc4



[White has achieved his goals, and
 Black is no longer able to resist the
 combined activity of his opponent's
 pieces.]

22... ♗c6 23.♗d4 ♖d6 24.♖xc6+ ♖xc6
 25.♗xc6 ♖6 26.♗c3 ♗e8 27.♗d4 e5
 28.♗e6 1-0



GAMES FROM THE MID-AMERICA CLASS

Dandridge M(2353) - Henderson S
Mid America Class (3) 009, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. e4 e6 3. ♘c3 c5 4. d5
exd5 5. cxd5 d6 6. e4 g6 7. f4 ♙g7 8.
♙b5+ ♘fd7 9. a4 0-0 10. ♘f3 ♘a6
11. 0-0 ♘c7 12. ♙e2 ♞e8 13. e5
dxe5 14. d6



14... ♘e6 15. fxe5 ♘xe5 16. ♘d5
♙h8 17. ♘e7 ♘xf3+ 18. ♞xf3
♙d4+ 19. ♙h1 ♖xd6 20. ♘xc8
♞axc8 21. ♞xf7 ♞c7



22. ♞xc7 ♖xc7 23. ♞a3 ♘f4 24.
♙b5 ♞e7 25. ♞f3 ♞e4 1/2:1/2

Anderson R(2330) - Yermolinsky A
Mid America Class (1) 001, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. d4 exd4 4.
♘xd4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 d6 6. ♙c4 ♖b6
7. ♘b3 e6 8. 0-0 ♙e7 9. ♙h1 a6 10.
a4



10... ♖c7 11. ♙e2 b6 12. f4 0-0 13.
♙f3 ♙b7 14. ♙e3 ♘a5 15. ♘xa5
bxa5 16. ♖e2 ♞ab8 17. ♙a7 ♞bc8
18. ♖f2 ♙c6 19. ♞fe1 ♖b7



20. ♙d4 ♞fe8 21. ♞ad1 ♘d7 22.
♙g4 ♙f8 23. e5 dxe5 24. fxe5 ♙c5
25. ♙h5 g6 26. ♙f3 ♙xf3 27. ♖xf3
♖xf3 28. gxf3 ♞ed8 29. ♙xc5 ♘xc5
30. ♙g2 g5 31. ♙f2



31... ♙g7 32. ♙c3 ♙g6 33. ♞d6
♞xd6 34. exd6 ♞d8 35. ♞d1 ♞d7
36. ♙d4 ♘xa4 37. ♘e4 f5 38. ♞a1
fxe4 39. ♞xa4 ♞xd6+ 40. ♙xe4 ♞d2
41. c4 ♞xb2 42. ♞xa5 ♞xh2 43.
♞xa6 ♙f6 44. ♙e3 h5 45. ♞a1 h4
46. ♞c1 h3 47. e5 ♙e7 48. ♞g1 ♙f6



49. ♞c1 1/2:1/2

Fedorowicz J(2623) - Szpisjak S
Mid America Class (1) 002, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♙b5 a6 4.
♙a4 ♘f6 5. 0-0 ♘xe4 6. d4 b5 7.
♙b3 d5 8. dxe5 ♙e6 9. ♙e3 ♙c5
10. ♖d3 0-0 11. ♘bd2 ♙xc3 12.
♖xe3 ♘xd2 13. ♖xd2 ♖d7 14. c3
♘a5 15. ♙c2 ♘c4 16. ♖d3 g6



17. b3 ♙f5 18. ♖e2 ♙xc2 19. ♖xc2
♘b6 20. ♞fe1 ♞ae8 21. ♖d2 f6 22.
h3 fxe5 23. ♘xe5 ♖g7 24. ♘g4 h5
25. ♘h2 ♞e5 26. ♘f3 ♞ef5 27. ♞e2
g5 28. ♘d4 ♞e5 29. ♞xe5 ♖xe5 30.
♞e1 ♖f4 31. ♖c2 ♖f7 32. ♞e5 ♖g7
33. ♖e2 ♖g6 34. ♖d2 ♞f4 35. g3





35... ♖d7 36. ♜xd5 ♜b1+ 37. ♜h2 ♜f7 38. ♜xg5+ ♜h8 39. ♜f5 ♜xf5 40. ♖xf5 1:0

Ziane N(2273) - Gurevich D
Mid America Class (1) 003, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 ♖c6 6. ♜g5 e6 7. ♜d2 ♜e7 8. 0-0-0 0-0 9. f4 h6 10. ♜h4 e5 11. ♖f5 ♜xf5 12. exf5 exf4



13. ♜xf4? ♞[A seemingly harmless capture which allows Black's r to expand his activity and central influence by advancing the apparently weak d-pawn. Best was 13.♜b1 eliminating any trickery along the c1-h6 diagonal.] 13... d5 14. ♜b1 [14. ♜b5! ♜b6 15. ♜f2 ♜c5 16. ♖a4∞; 14. ♜xf6?? ♜xf6 15. ♖xd5 ♜g5+] 14... d4 15. ♜c4 [15. ♜xf6 ♜xf6 16. ♖e4 ♜e5 17. ♜d2 ♜c8 18. ♜d3±] 15... ♜d6 16. ♜xf6 ♜xf6 17. ♜d2 ♜xf5 18. ♖e2 ♜e5 19. ♜hf1 ♜e4 20. ♖f4 ♜ad8 21. ♜de1 ♜xf4



22. ♜xf4 ♜g6 23. h3 ♜d7 24. ♜f2 ♜d6 25. a3 a6 26. ♜f5 ♜e7 27. ♜xe7 ♜xe7 28. g4 g6 29. ♜f4 ♜d7 30. h4



30... b5?! ♞[Despite the pawn plus, Black's position remains uncomfortable due to the relentless pressure against f7. Dmitry now displays a lack of patience vs. his young opponent by initiating a queenside attack designed to stifle the irritating bishop, but perhaps 31. ♜b3 a5 32. h5 a4 33. ♜a2 d3 34. cxd3 ♜xd3+ 35. ♜a1 ♜d1+ 36. ♜b1 g5 37. ♜f6 ♖d4 38. ♜xb6 ♜c8 39. ♜a2 ♜b3+ 40. ♜a1 ♜d1 [40 ... ♖c2+ 41. ♜xc2 ♜xc2 42. ♜h8+! ♜xh8 43. ♜f6+=] 41. ♜a2 b4 42. axb4 ♖f3 43. ♜f6



43... ♖d2? ♞[Dmitry fails to notice the tactical weakness of his unprotected pieces at c8 and d2 and pushes too hard for a win that no longer exists. Necessary was

43... ♜d5+ 44. ♜a1 ♖d2 45. ♜f5 ♖b3+ 46. ♜a2 ♖c1+ 47. ♜a1 ♖b3+ with a perpetual check.] [43 ... ♜d5+ 44. ♜a1 ♖d2 45. ♜f5 ♖b3+ 46. ♜a2 ♖c1+ 47. ♜a1 ♖b3+=] 44. ♜f5 ♜b3+ 45. ♜a1 ♜c1? 46. ♜xg5+ ♜f8 47. ♜xd2# ♜d1 48. ♜c3 1:0

Ivanov I(2610) - Rajlich V
Mid America Class (1) 004, , 1996

1. d4 ♖f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♖c3 ♜g7 4. e4 d6 5. ♜e2 0-0 6. ♖f3 e5 7. d5 a5 8. ♜g5 h6 9. ♜h4 ♖a6 10. 0-0 ♜e8 11. ♖e1 ♖h7 12. f3 f5 13. exf5 gxf5 14. f4 e4 15. ♖c2 ♜h8 16. ♜h5 ♜d7 17. ♖d4 ♖c5 18. ♜d2 ♖f6 19. ♜g6 ♖g4 20. ♖d1 e3 21. ♖xe3 ♖e4 22. ♜d3 ♖c5 23. ♜d2 ♖e4 1/2:1/2

Ward T(2200) - Kudrin S
Mid America Class (1) 005, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 e5 5. ♖b5 d6 6. c4 ♜e7 7. ♖1c3 a6 8. ♖a3 ♜e6 9. ♜e2 ♖d4 10. 0-0 ♖xe2+ 11. ♜xe2 ♖f6 12. ♖c2 ♜c8 13. ♖e3 ♜c7 14. ♖cd5



14... ♖xd5 15. exd5 ♜d7 16. ♜d2 0-0 17. g3 b5 18. ♜b3 bxc4 19. bxc4 f5 20. f4 exf4 21. gxf4 ♜f6 22. ♜ac1 ♜c5 23. ♜h1 ♜a3 24. ♜c2 ♜fe8 25. ♜c1 ♜c5 26. ♜d3 ♜d4 27. ♜a3 ♜b6 28. ♜g2 ♜e4 29. ♜fg1 ♜ce8 30. ♖f1 ♜xc4



31. ♖xg7+ ♗xg7 32. ♗b2 ♖e7 33. ♗a1 ♗e8 0:1

Martinovsky E(2373) - Walker L
Mid America Class (1) 006, , 1996

1. g3 ♘f6 2. ♗g2 d5 3. d4 g6 4. c4 dxc4 5. ♘f3 ♗g7 6. 0-0 0-0 7. ♘a3 c3 8. bxc3 e5 9. e3 cxd4 10. cxd4 ♘c6 11. ♘c4 ♗e6 12. ♖e2 ♖c8 13. ♖d1 ♗d5 14. ♗h3 e6 15. ♗a3 ♗xc4 16. ♖xc4 ♖e8 17. ♖ac1



17... ♖a5 18. ♖b3 ♖h5 19. ♗g2 ♘a5 20. ♖a4 b6 21. ♘e5 ♘d5 22. g4 ♖g5



23. ♖xc8 ♖xc8 24. ♖d7 1:0

Lubka R(2075) - Chow A
Mid America Class (1) 007, , 1996

1. c4 ♘f6 2. ♘c3 c5 3. g3 d5 4. cxd5 ♘xd5 5. ♗g2 ♘c7 6. ♘f3 ♘c6 7. 0-0 e5 8. d3 ♗e7 9. ♗e3 0-0 10. ♘d2 ♗d7 11. a3 ♖c8 12. ♖c1 b6 13. ♘c4 f6 14. f4 exf4 15. gxf4 f5 16. ♖h1 ♖h8 17. ♗d2 ♗e8 18. ♗e1 ♖d7 19. e3 ♗d8 20. ♗f2 b5 21. ♘e5 ♘xe5 22. fxe5 ♖xd3 23. ♖xd3 ♖xd3 24. ♖fd1 ♖xd1+ 25. ♖xd1 a5 26. e4 fxe4 27. ♘xe4 ♘e6 28. ♖g1 ♗c6 29. ♘d6 ♗xg2 30. ♖xg2 b4 31. axb4 axb4 32. ♗e3 ♖g8 33. ♖c1 ♗xd6 34. exd6 ♗d8 35. ♗xc5 ♘xc5 36. ♖xc5 ♖xd6 37. ♖c2 b3 38. ♖f2 ♖c6 39. ♖f3 ♖f6+ 40. ♖e3 ♖xf2 41. ♖xf2 g5 0:1

Dandridge M(2353) - Cadman C
Mid America Class (1) 008, , 1996

1. d4 g6 2. c4 ♗g7 3. ♘c3 c5 4. ♘f3 d6 5. e3 cxd4 6. exd4 ♗g4 7. ♗e2 ♘c6 8. 0-0 ♗xf3 9. ♗xf3 ♘xd4 10. ♗xb7 ♖b8 11. ♖a4+ ♖d7 12. ♖xd7+ ♖xd7 13. ♗e4 f5 14. ♗d3 ♘c6 15. ♖d1 ♘f6 16. c5 ♘e4 17. ♗xe4 fxe4 18. ♘xe4 ♘d4 19. ♗e3 ♘c2 20. ♖ab1 ♘xe3 21. fxe3 ♗xb2 22. cxd6 exd6 23. ♖xd6+ ♖e7 24. ♖bd1 ♖hd8 25. ♖xd8 ♖xd8 26. ♖xd8 ♖xd8 27. ♖f2 ♖d7 28. ♖e2 h6 29. ♖d3 ♖e7 30. ♘d2 ♗e5 31. ♘f3 ♗b8 32. ♖e4 ♖e6 33. h3 ♗c7 34. ♘h4 ♖f6 35. ♖d5 h5 36. ♘f3 ♖f5 37. ♘d4+ ♖f6 38. e4 a6 39. ♘f3 ♗a5 40. g4 hxg4 41. hxg4 ♗c3 42. e5+ ♖e7 43. ♘h4 ♖f7 44. e6+ ♖f6 45. g5+ ♖g7 46. ♖d6 1:0

Tutush D(2156) - Manion J
Mid America Class (1) 012, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♘c3 ♗g7 4. e4 d6 5. ♗d3 0-0 6. ♘ge2 e5 7. d5 ♘bd7 8. 0-0 a5 9. a3 ♘c5 10. ♗c2 c6 11. ♖b1 cxd5 12. cxd5 a4 13. f3



13... ♗d7 14. ♗e3 ♖a5 15. g4 h5 16. h3 b5 17. ♘a2 hxg4 18. hxg4 ♘h7 19. ♘g3 ♗f6



20. ♖g2 ♗g5 21. ♖c1 ♖d8 22. ♖h1 ♗xe3 23. ♖xe3 ♘g5 24. ♖h6 ♖g7 25. ♖bh1 f6 26. ♖g1 ♖c8 27. ♘b4



27... ♖g8 28. ♖h2 ♘a6 29. ♗d3 ♘xb4 30. axb4 ♖f7 31. ♖g1 a3 32. bxa3 ♖c3 33. ♗e2 ♖c7 34. ♖a1 ♖g7 35. ♖6h3



35... ♖xh3 36. ♜xh3 ♜c1 37. ♖b2
♖c2 0:1

Stein P(2180) - Lulic J
Mid America Class (1) 031, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. ♖c3 ♖f6 3. ♔g5 ♔f5 4. f3 h6 5. ♔xf6 exf6 6. e4 dxe4 7. fxe4 ♔h7 8. ♖f3 ♔b4 9. ♔d3 0-0 10. 0-0 ♜e8 11. e5 f5 12. ♖e2 ♖c6 13. c3 ♔a5 14. ♖c2 ♖e7 15. ♖g3 ♖d5 16. ♜ae1 g6 17. b4 ♔b6 18. ♔c4 a5 19. ♖b3 a4 20. ♖b2 c6 21. a3 ♔a7 22. ♖h1 b5 23. ♔d3 h5 24. ♖d2 ♖g7 25. ♖g5 h4 26. ♖e2 f6 27. exf6+ ♖xf6 28. ♖f4 ♔g8 29. ♖xd5 ♔xd5 30. ♖f4 ♔b8 31. ♖xh4 ♜h8 32. ♖xh8+ ♖xh8 33. ♖f3 ♔xf3 34. ♜e8+ ♖g7 35. ♜xf3 ♖d6 36. ♜h3 ♜a7 37. ♜hh8 ♜e7 38. ♜hg8+ ♖f6 39. ♜ef8+ ♖g5 40. ♜xf5+ ♖h6 0:1

Sax R(2000) - Karagueuzian D
Mid America Class (1) 032, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♖f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 g6 6. ♔e3 ♔g7 7. f3 0-0 8. ♖d2 ♖c6 9. ♔c4 ♔d7 10. 0-0-0 ♖e5 11. ♔b3 ♖a5 12. ♖b1 ♜fc8 13. h4 b5 14. g4 ♖c4 15. ♔xc4 bxc4 16. h5 ♜ab8 17. ♖a1 ♖b4 18. ♜b1 ♜b6 19. hxg6 fxg6 20.

♖h2 ♜a6 21. ♖de2 ♔e6 22. ♔d4 h6 23. ♖f4 ♔f7 24. g5 hxg5 25. ♔xf6 ♔xf6 26. ♖h7+ ♖f8 27. ♖xg6+ ♖e8 28. e5 dxe5 29. ♖h8 ♔e6 30. ♜hd1 ♜b8 31. ♖h5+ ♖f8 32. ♖g6+ ♖g8 33. ♜h1 ♔g7 34. ♖xg5 e4 35. ♖xe7+ ♖f7 36. ♜h7 1:0

Flaga K(2143) - Bolton R
Mid America Class (1) 033, , 1996

1. d4 g6 2. e4 ♔g7 3. ♖f3 d6 4. ♔c4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 0-0 6. 0-0 ♖xe4 7. ♖xe4 d5 8. ♔d3 dxe4 9. ♔xe4 ♖d7 10. c3 ♖f6 11. ♔d3 b6 12. ♜e1 ♔b7 13. ♔g5 ♖d6 14. ♖e2 e6 15. ♔h4 ♖h5 16. ♔e4 c6 17. ♖d2 ♖f4 18. g3 ♖c7 19. ♔f3 ♖f6 20. g4 ♜ac8 21. ♔g3 ♖d7 22. g5 ♖d5 23. ♖e4 ♜cd8 24. ♜ad1 ♖e7 25. ♔e5 ♔xe5 26. dxe5 e5 27. ♖f6+ ♖xf6 28. gxf6 ♖c7 29. ♔xb7 ♖xb7 30. ♖e3 ♖h8 31. ♖h6 ♜g8 32. ♜xd8 1:0

Kowalske K(127) - Zinytch M
Mid America Class (1) 035, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. d4 cxd4 3. c3 d5 4. exd5 ♖xd5 5. cxd4 ♖f6 6. ♖c3 ♖a5 7. ♖f3 e6 8. ♔d2 ♔e7 9. ♔d3 0-0 10. 0-0 ♖d8 11. a3 ♖c6 12. ♔e3 b6 13. ♖e2 ♔b7 14. ♜ad1 ♜c8 15. ♔b1 ♖a5 16. ♔a2 a6 17. ♖e5 b5 18. h3 ♖d5 19. ♖e4 ♖c4 20. ♖xc4 bxc4 21. ♖c5 ♔xc5 22. dxc5 ♖f6 23. ♔xc4 a5 24. ♔d4 ♖g6 25. ♔xd5 ♔xd5 26. ♖g4 ♖h6 27. ♔e3 f5 28. ♔xh6 fxg4 29. ♔e3 gxh3 30. gxh3 ♜f3 31. ♖h2 ♜c8 32. ♜g1 ♜xf2+ 33. ♔xf2 ♜xf2+ 34. ♖g3 ♜xb2 35. ♜d3 ♜c2 36. ♖f4 ♔xc5 37. ♖e3 ♜c4 38. ♜b1 ♖f7



39. ♜b8 [Time.] 0:1

Leali M(1932) - Karklins E
Mid America Class (1) 040, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. f4 exf4 3. ♖f3 h6 4. d4 g5 5. h4 ♔g7 6. hxg5 hxg5 7. ♜xh8 ♔xh8 8. g3 d5 9. gxf4 g4 10. ♖g5 dxe4 11. ♔c4 ♖h6 12. ♖c3 ♔xd4 13. ♖cxe4 f5 14. c3 fxe4 15. cxd4 ♖e7 16. ♖e2 ♖c6 17. ♔e3 ♔f5 18. 0-0-0 ♖d8 19. ♖h2 ♖g7 20. d5 ♖hf7 21. ♔d4 ♖g6 22. ♜h1 ♖xg5 23. ♖h8+ ♖d7 24. fxg5 ♖xg5+ 25. ♖c2 e5 26. ♔xc5 ♜c8 27. ♔b5+ ♖e6 28. dxc6+ bxc6 29. ♖d4+ ♖c7 30. ♔a6 e3+ 31. ♖c3 1:0

Smythe B(1973) - Ellis J
Mid America Class (1) 157, , 1996

1. d4 ♖f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♔b4 4. e3 e5 5. dxc5 ♖a6 6. c6 bxc6 7. ♔d2 0-0 8. a3 ♔a5 9. b4 ♔c7 10. c5 ♖b8 11. ♖f3 a5 12. ♔d3 ♖a6 13. ♖e4 d5 14. cxd6 ♖xe4 15. ♔xe4 ♖xd6 16. b5 ♖c5 17. ♔xc6 ♖d3+ 18. ♖e2 ♜b8 19. ♔xa5 ♖f4+ 20. exf4 ♖xc6 21. bxc6 ♔a6+ 22. ♖e3 ♔xa5 23. ♖a4 ♔b6+ 24. ♖e4 1:0

Sentinel S - Gurevich D
Mid America Class (1) R/E, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♗b4 4. ♗c2 0-0 5. ♘f3 c5 6. a3 ♗xc3+ 7. bxc3 ♗a5 8. ♗d2 ♖c6 9. e4



9... d6 10. ♗d3 h6 11. 0-0 e5 12. d5 ♘e7 13. ♗c1



13... ♖g6 14. ♗b1 ♗c7 15. h3 ♘h5 16. ♗d1 ♘hf4 17. ♗xf4 ♘xf4



18. ♗f1 f5 19. ♗e3 ♗f7 20. ♘d2 ♗g6 21. ♗h2 fxe4 22. ♘xe4 ♗f5



23. ♗e1 b6 24. ♗h2 ♗xe4 25. ♗xe4 ♗xe4 26. ♗xe4 g5 27. g3 ♘h5



28. h4 ♘f6 29. ♗e1 gxf4 30. gxf4 ♘h5 31. ♗h3 ♗f4 32. ♗g1+ ♗h7 33. ♗g4 ♗af8 34. ♗g1 ♗g8



35. ♗xg8 ♗xg8 36. ♗f1 ♗g4+ 37. ♗h2 ♗xh4+ 38. ♗g1 ♗g4+ 39. ♗h2 ♗e4 40. ♗b1 ♗h4+ 41. ♗g1 ♗g4+ 42. ♗h2



42... ♘f6 43. f3 ♗f4 44. ♗g3 h5 45. a4 h4+ 46. ♗g2 e4 47. fxe4 ♘xe4 48. a5 ♘d2 0:1

Chow A(2368) - Fedorowicz J
Mid America Class (2) 001, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♖c3 d5 4. cxd5 ♘xd5 5. e4 ♘xc3 6. bxc3 ♗g7 7. ♗c4 c5 8. ♘e2 ♖c6 9. ♗e3 0-0 10. 0-0 ♗g4 11. f3 ♘a5



12. ♗xf7+!? ♚[This forcing line is named the Seville Variation in honor of the Spanish city where it was introduced during the 1987 World Championship match between Karpov and Kasparov. It leads to a complex maneuvering game when there are still many issues yet to be 12... ♗xf7 13. fxg4 ♗xf1+ 14. ♗xf1 ♗d6 15. ♗g1 [15. e5 ♗d5 16. ♗f2 ♗f8 17. ♗g1 ♗h6 18. h4 ♗f7 19. ♗g3 ♗c3+ 20. ♗h2 ♗c4] 15... ♗e6 16. ♗d3 ♗c4 17. ♗xc4+ ♘xc4 18. ♗g5 h6?! [18 ... cxd4 19. cxd4 e5 20. ♗c1 b5 21. dxe5 ♗xe5 22. ♗d1 ♗e8= ; 18 ... e5!? 19. d5 b5 20. ♗b1! ♗b8 21. a4±]



19. ♗c1?! [19. ♗xe7! cxd4 20. cxd4 ♗e8 21. ♗c1! ♘a5 22. ♗c7 ♘c6 23. ♗c5 ♗xe4 24. ♗f2 ♗xd4+ 25. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 26. ♗xb7 ♘c6 27. h3±] 19... cxd4 20. cxd4 e5 21. d5 b5 22. ♗b1



22... ♖b8 [Fedorowicz wasn't abreast of the latest theory in this line, but did feel that White's erroneous 19.♙c1?! tangled up his pieces and committed Chow to an arduous and passive defense. There's no compensation for a keen sense of radar!] 23. ♖g3 b4 24. ♗f2 ♙f8 25. ♗e2 ♜c8 26. ♙d2 a5 27. ♗d3 ♖xd2 28. ♗xd2



28... ♙e7! [An excellent move highlighting the powerful mobility of Black' bishop in projecting influence operate on 29. ♖e2 ♜f8 30. ♗e1 a4 31. ♜d1 b3 32. d6 ♙h4+ 33. ♗d2 bxa2 34. ♜a1 ♜d8 35. ♜xa2 ♜xd6+ 36. ♗e3 ♙g5+ 37. ♗f3 ♜d3+ 38. ♗f2 a3 39. g3 ♜b3 40. h4 ♙e3+ 41. ♗f1 ♗f7 42. ♜c2 ♗e7 43. h5 g5 0:1

Kudrin S(2573) - Dandridge M
Mid America Class (2) 002, , 1996

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. ♖c3 dxe4 4. ♖xe4 ♖d7 5. ♖g5 ♖g6 6. ♙d3 e6 7. ♖f3 h6 8. ♖xe6 fxe6 9. ♙g6+ ♗e7 10. 0-0 ♗c7 11. ♜e1 ♗d8 12. ♖e5 ♖xe5 13. dxe5+ ♖d7 14. ♙f4 ♙c5 15. ♗d2 ♗b6 16. c3 ♜f8 17.

♙g3 a5 18. ♜ad1 ♗c7 19. ♙h4 a4 20. ♜b1 ♜a5 21. ♗h1 ♗b8 22. f4 ♗c7 23. b4 axb3 24. axb3 ♙a7 25. c4 ♗a8 26. ♙e7 ♜h8 27. b4 ♜a6 28. c5 ♖xe5 29. fxe5 ♗xe7 30. ♗c3 ♗g5 31. ♙e4 ♜d8 32. ♜e2 ♗g4 33. ♗c4 ♗g5 34. b5 cxb5 35. ♗xb5 ♜d5 36. ♙xd5 exd5 37. e6 ♗e7 38. ♜be1 ♜c6 39. ♗a4 ♜xc5 40. ♜a1 b6 41. h3 ♜a5 42. ♗d1 ♜xa1 43. ♗xa1 b5 44. ♗d1 ♙b7 45. ♗a1 d4 46. ♗b1 ♗h4 47. ♗f5 ♗e7 48. ♗xb5 ♗a3 49. ♗c5 ♙b8 50. ♗xd4 ♗xh3+ 51. ♗g1 ♗h2+ 52. ♗f1 ♗h1+ 53. ♗g1 ♗g1+ 54. ♗xg1 ♙a7+ 55. ♗h1 ♙d4 56. e7 ♙c6 57. e8=♗+ ♙e8 58. ♜xe8+ ♗b7 59. ♜d8 ♙f6 60. ♜d1 ♗c7 61. ♗h2 ♙e5+ 62. ♗h3 ♙d6 63. ♗g4 ♖d7 64. ♗h5 ♗e6 65. ♗g6 ♙e5 66. ♜e1 ♖d6 67. g4 ♙f6 68. ♜e8 ♖d5 69. ♜e1 ♖d6 70. ♗f5 ♖d7 71. ♜e6 ♙c3 72. ♜a6 ♙d4 73. ♗g6 ♗e7 74. ♜a4 ♙f6 75. ♜a7+ ♗f8 76. ♜a8+ ♗e7 77. ♜g8 1:0

Deshpande A(2103) -
Martinovsky E
Mid America Class (2) 003, , 1996

1. d4 ♖f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♖c3 d5 4. exd5 exd5 5. ♙g5 c6 6. e3 ♙f5 7. ♗f3 ♙g6 [7 ... ♙c6!?] 8. ♙xf6 ♗xf6 9. ♗xf6 gxf6



10. ♖f3 [10. h4!] 10... ♖d7 11. ♗d2 ♖b6 12. b3 a5 13. ♙d3 ♙b4 14. ♗c2 0-0 15. ♖h4 c5 16. dxc5 ♜fe8 17. a3 ♙xc5 18. ♗d2



18... a4 [18 ... d4!] 19. ♖xa4 ♖xa4 20. bxa4 ♜xa4 21. ♖xg6 hxg6 22. ♜hcl b6 23. ♙b5 ♜e4 24. ♙d3 ♜h4 25. h3 ♜a8 26. ♗e2 ♜ha4 27. ♙b5 ♜xa3 28. ♜xa3 ♜xa3 29. ♜d1 ♜a2+ 30. ♗f3 ♜b2 31. ♙c6 d4 32. exd4 ♙d6 33. ♙d5 f5 34. ♜d3 ♜b5 35. ♙a2 ♜a5 36. ♙b3 b5 37. ♙d5 b4 38. ♙c4 ♜a1 39. g3 g5 40. ♜b3 ♗g7 41. ♙d3 ♗f6 42. g4 ♜h1 43. gxf5 ♜xh3+ 44. ♗e4 g4 45. ♗d5 ♙e7 46. ♗e4 ♜f3 47. ♙c4 ♙xf2 48. ♜g3 ♗g5 49. ♙xf7



49... ♜f4+ 50. ♗d5 ♙f6 51. ♜d3 ♜xf5+ 52. ♗e6 ♜f3 53. ♜d2 g3 54. ♙e8 ♜f2 55. ♜d1 g2 56. ♜g1 ♜e2+ 57. ♗d5 ♜xe8 58. ♜xg2+ ♗f5 59. ♜f2+ ♗g6 60. ♗c5 ♙e7+ 61. ♗c6 ♜b8



62. ♗c7 ♜b5 63. ♗c6 ♜f5 64. ♜d2 ♗f7 65. d5 ♜f6+ 66. ♗d7 ♜d6+ 67. ♗c7 ♗e8 68. ♜d3 ♜a6 69. ♜e3 ♜a3 70. ♜e2 ♜c3+ 71. ♗b6 ♗d7 0:1

Fagan J(2037) - Browne W
Mid America Class (2) 003, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♚f3 b6 4. g3
♙a6 5. b3 ♙b4+ 6. ♙d2 ♙e7 7.
♚c3 0-0 8. e4 d5 9. cxd5 ♙xf1 10.
♚xf1 exd5 11. e5



11... ♚e4 12. ♚g2 ♚xc3 13. ♙xc3
♚d7 14. ♚d3 ♚c6 15. h4 h6 16. h5
♚d8 17. ♙ad1 ♚e6 18. ♚h4 ♙xh4
19. ♙xh4 f5 20. f4 ♙fd8 21. ♙hh1 c5
22. ♙d2 ♚c6 23. ♙hd1 a5 24. ♙b2
c4 25. bxc4 dxc4+ 26. d5



26... cxd3 27. dxc6 ♙dc8 28. ♙xd3
♙xc6 29. ♙d6 ♙ac8 30. ♙1d2 ♚f7
31. ♚f3 b5 32. ♙d7+ ♚f8 33. ♙a7
♙c2 34. ♚e2 a4 35. ♚d1 ♙xd2+



36. ♚xd2 [The last several moves are
unreadable, but Black managed to

hold the ending and a draw was
agreed on move 40.] ½:½

Yermolinsky A(2657) - Porter R
Mid America Class (2) 004, , 1996

1. ♚f3 g6 2. c4 ♙g7 3. d4 ♚f6 4.
♚c3 0-0 5. e4 d6 6. h3 e5 7. d5
♚bd7 8. ♙g5 h6 9. ♙e3 ♚h5 10.
♚d2 ♚h7 11. g3 ♙f6 12. h4 ♙e7
13. ♙e2 ♚g7 14. ♚c2 a5 15. 0-0-0
♚c5 16. f4 f6 17. ♙df1 ♚a6 18. f5
♚e8 19. g4 ♙d7 20. ♚f3 gxf5 21.
gxf5 ♚h5 22. ♙fg1



22... ♙g8 ♚ 23. ♚g5+ ♚h8 24. ♚d1
♚g7 25. ♚e6 ♙xe6 26. dxc6 h5 27.
♙g6 1:0

Anderson R(2330) - Ivanov I
Mid America Class (2) 005, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♚f3 ♚c6 3. ♙b5 a6 4.
♙a4 ♚f6 5. 0-0 ♙e7 6. ♙e1 b5 7.
♙b3 0-0 8. c3 d6 9. h3 h6 10. d4
♙e8 11. a4 ♙d7 12. d5 ♚a5 13.
♙c2 e6 14. dxc6 ♙xc6 15. ♚bd2
♚b7 16. b4 ♚c7 17. ♙b2 a5 18.
axb5 ♙xb5 19. ♙h3 axb4 20. cxb4
♙eb8 21. ♚h4 ♙xa1 22. ♚xa1 ♚d8
23. ♚g6 ♚e6 24. ♚a2 fxc6 25.
♙xe6+ ♚h7 26. ♙c1 ♚b7 27. ♙d5
♚xd5 28. ♚xd5 ♚xd5 29. exd5
♙g5 30. ♙d1 ♙e2 31. ♙e1 ♙xd2
32. ♙xe2 ♙xb4 33. g3 ♙b5 0:1

Rajlich V(2226) - Szpisjak S
Mid America Class (2) 006, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♚f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4.
♚xd4 ♚f6 5. ♚c3 g6 6. ♙e3 ♙g7
7. f3 0-0 8. ♚d2 ♚c6 9. g4 ♚xd4
10. ♙xd4 ♙e6 11. 0-0-0 a6 12. ♚b1
b5 13. h4 b4 14. ♚d5 ♙xd5 15.
exd5 ♚a5 16. g5 ♚h5 17. ♙xg7
♚xg7 18. ♙h3 ♚b5 19. ♙g4 f5 20.
gxf6 ♙xf6 21. h5 ♙af8 22. ♙dg1
♚h8 23. hxg6 ♙xg6 24. ♚h2 h6 25.
♙e6 ♙xe6 26. dxe6 h5 27. ♚d2 ♙f6
28. ♙g5 ♚e8 29. ♚g2 ♚f8 30. ♙g1
1:0

Manion J(2464) - Ivanov A
Mid America Class (2) 009, , 1996

1. ♚f3 g6 2. d4 ♙g7 3. c4 c5 4. d5
d6 5. ♚c3 f5 6. ♚c2 ♚f6 7. g3 e5 8.
dxe6 ♙xe6 9. ♚g5 ♙g8 10. ♙g2
♚c6 11. ♚a4 ♚d7 12. ♙f4 ♚h5 13.
♚b5 ♚xf4 14. gxf4



14... ♚e7 ♚ 15. e3 a6 16. ♚c3 h6
17. ♚f3 ♚b4 18. ♚xd7+ ♚xd7 19.
0-0 ♙xc4 20. ♙fd1 ♚c7 21. a3
♙xc3 22. bxc3 ♚c2 23. ♙ac1 ♚xa3
24. ♚d2 ♙e2 25. ♙e1 ♙d3 26. c4
♚c2 27. ♙ed1 ♙e2 0:1

Gurevich D(2617) - Ikeuchi C
Mid America Class (2) 010, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 e5 3. d5 g6 4. ♖c3
♗g7 5. e4 d6 6. ♚f3 0-0 7. h3 e6 8.
♗d3 exd5 9. cxd5 ♖c7 10. 0-0 a6



11. a4 ♖bd7 12. ♞e1 ♞e8 13. ♗f4
♚h5 14. ♗h2 ♚e5 15. ♗e2 ♖e7 16.
♚d2 ♗h6



17. ♗xh5 gxh5 18. ♗xe5 ♖xe5 19.
♚c4 ♖g5 20. ♚xd6 ♞e5 21. ♖f3
♖e7 22. ♚c4



22... ♚h8 23. ♚xe5 1:0

Cadman C(2069) - Ward T
Mid America Class (2) 011, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. g3 ♚c6 3. ♗g2 g6 4. ♖c3
♗g7 5. ♚f3 d6 6. 0-0 f5 7. d3 ♚f6
8. ♗g5 h6 9. ♗xf6 ♖xf6 10. ♞b1
0-0 11. b4 g5 12. ♚d5 ♖f7 13. b5
♚d8 14. ♖a4 ♚e6 15. ♚d2 ♗d7
16. ♚b4 a5 17. ♚c2 ♚c5 18. ♖a3
a4 19. e3 ♞ae8 20. d4 exd4 21. exd4
♚e4 22. ♚xe4 fxe4 23. e5 d5 24.
♖xa4 ♗g4 25. ♞be1 ♖h5 26. ♚e3
♗e2 27. ♚xd5 ♗xf1 28. ♞xf1 ♖f7
29. ♚c3 ♖f6 30. ♗xe4 ♖xd4 31.
♗d5+ ♚h8 32. ♖xd4 ♗xd4 33.
♚e4 b6 34. exb6 ♗xb6 35. a4 ♞e5
36. ♗c6 ♞d8 37. ♞a1 ♗a5 38. ♞a3
♞d4 39. ♚f6 ♞f5 40. ♚d7 g4 41.
♞a2 h5 42. ♚g2 ♚g7 43. ♞c2 ♞d2
44. ♞xd2 ♗xd2 45. ♗e4 ♞f7 46.
♚b8 ♞e7 47. f3 ♞e8 48. ♚c6 ♞a8
49. ♚d4 ♚f6 50. ♗xa8 1:0

Karklins E(2100) - Richmond B
Mid America Class (2) 044, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♚f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4.
♚xd4 ♚f6 5. ♖c3 a6 6. ♖f3 ♚bd7
7. b3 g6 8. ♗b2 ♗g7 9. 0-0-0 0-0 10.
h3 ♖c7 11. g4



11... ♚e5 12. ♖e3 e6 13. ♗g2 ♚fd7
14. ♖d2 ♗f6 15. f4 ♖d8 16. ♚b1
♚c6 17. ♚xc6 bxc6



18. ♖xd6 e5 19. e5 ♗e7 20. ♖d2
♞b8 21. ♚e4 ♖b6 22. ♚d6 ♞d8 23.
♖f2 a5 24. ♞d2 ♗a6 25. ♞hd1 ♚f8
26. h4 ♖c7 27. f5 ♞b6 28. fxc6 fxc6
29. ♖f7+ ♚h8



30. ♚e4 ♞xd2 31. ♞xd2 ♞b8 32.
♚f6 ♞d8 33. ♖g8# 1:0

Langreck J(2179) - Smythe B
Mid America Class (2) 053, , 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♚c3 ♗b4 4. e5
e5 5. a3 ♗xc3+ 6. bxc3 ♖c7 7. ♚f3
♗d7 8. a4 ♚c6 9. ♗d3 cxd4 10.
cxd4 ♚xd4 11. 0-0 ♚xf3+ 12. ♖xf3
♚e7 13. ♗a3 ♖xe5 14. ♞ab1 ♗c6
15. ♞fe1 ♖f6



16. ♖g3 ♚g6 ♚ 17. ♞xb7! ♖f4



18. ♖xe6+! fxe6 19. ♗xg6+ hxg6 20. ♖e7+ 1:0



9... h6 10. ♖h4 ♖xd4 11. ♖xd4 a6 12. ♖c4 b5 13. ♖b3 ♖c7 14. f5



24. ♖xh6+ ♔g7 25. ♖h7+ 1:0

Degen P(2019) - Stein P
Mid America Class (2) 056, , 1996

1. d4 ♖f6 2. ♖f3 g6 3. c4 ♖g7 4. ♖c3 0-0 5. e4 d6 6. ♖e2 e5 7. 0-0 ♖c6 8. d5 ♖e7 9. ♖e1 ♖d7 10. ♖e3 f5 11. f3 f4 12. ♖f2 g5 13. ♖c1 ♖g6 14. e5 dxc5 15. ♖d3 b6 16. b4 ♖f6 17. bxc5 ♖d7 18. ♖b3 ♖h8 19. ♖fd1 g4 20. d6 g3 21. hxg3 fxg3 22. ♖xg3 ♖h5 23. dxc7 ♖g5 24. ♖h2 ♖h3 25. ♖e1 ♖h4 26. ♖f1 ♖g8 27. ♖c2 ♖f4 28. ♖xf4 exf4 29. ♖d5 ♖e7 30. ♖d6 ♖g5 31. ♖d5 ♖e7 32. cxb6 axb6 33. ♖b5 ♖e6 34. ♖d6 ♖f7 35. ♖dcl ♖f6 36. ♖d2 ♖g7 37. ♖f2 ♖g6 38. ♖d1 ♖h4 39. ♖xb6 ♖c8 40. ♖d4 ♖f6 41. ♖d5 ♖a6 42. ♖d6 ♖xd6 43. ♖xd6 ♖e5 44. ♖d2 ♖g3 45. ♖f2 ♖g6 46. ♖d6 ♖f7 47. ♖dd2 ♖h5 48. ♖c4 ♖h4 49. ♖d4+ ♖e5 50. ♖f2 ♖g3 51. ♖xg8 ♖h2+ 52. ♖f1 ♖a6+ 53. ♖c4 ♖xc4+ 54. ♖xc4 1:0

Ivanov A(2643) - Gurevich D
Mid America Class (3) 001, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 ♖c6 6. ♖g5 e6 7. ♖d2 ♖e7 8. 0-0-0 0-0 9. f4



14... ♖a7 15. ♖he1 exf5 16. exf5 ♖xf5 17. ♖xe7



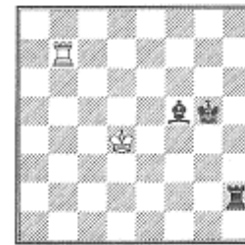
17... ♖xe7 18. ♖d5 ♖e4 19. ♖xf6 ♖xd4 20. ♖xd4 ♖xc2 21. ♖e7+



21... ♖h8 22. ♖xc2 gxf6 23. ♖h4 ♖fe8

Martinovsky E(2373) -
Yermolinsky A
Mid America Class (3) 003, , 1996

1. d4 ♖f6 2. ♖f3 g6 3. g3 ♖g7 4. ♖g2 0-0 5. 0-0 d5 6. c4 dxc4 7. ♖a3 c3 8. bxc3 c5 9. e3 ♖c6 10. ♖e2 ♖f5 11. ♖b2 ♖c8 12. ♖fd1 cxd4 13. ♖xd4 ♖a5 14. ♖xc6 bxc6 15. e4 ♖g4 16. f3 ♖e6 17. ♖c2 c5 18. c4 ♖b8 19. ♖e5 ♖d7 20. ♖xg7 ♖xg7 21. ♖e3 ♖a3 22. f4 ♖b2 23. ♖f3 ♖g8 24. ♖d5 ♖xf3 25. ♖xe7+ ♖g7 26. ♖xf3 ♖b6 27. ♖dcl ♖xc4 28. f5 ♖d2 29. ♖g2 ♖xa2 30. ♖xc5 ♖b3 31. ♖b5 ♖xg2+ 32. ♖xg2 ♖xa1 33. ♖a5 ♖b1 34. ♖xa1 ♖xe4+ 35. ♖f2 ♖e8 36. ♖xa7 ♖f6 37. g4 h6 38. ♖xg6 fxg6 39. ♖a6+ ♖e5 40. ♖xg6 ♖f4 41. ♖xh6 ♖a8 42. ♖e2 ♖xg4 43. ♖c3 ♖xf5 44. ♖d4 ♖g5 45. ♖b6 ♖a2 46. ♖b8 ♖xh2 47. ♖b7



47... ♖f4 [Editor's note: This is a really tough ending to hold. Just by coincidence I happened to be reading Essential Chess Endings for Advanced Players by IM John Donaldson the night before playing through this game. In his book he

gives the following position as the key position (colors reversed) to try for if down the bishop.



Donaldson says this position is impossible to break through. It should be pointed out though that he also says this is a very difficult ending and trying to memorize all of the analysis is too tedious. Anyway for those of you who wonder if this ending can be drawn, this is the way to try.-Ed.]

48. f7 h8 49. c3 e5 50. e7+ d5 51. a7 h3+ 52. d2 e4 53. d7+ e5 54. e7+ d4 55. d7+ d5 56. e2 h2+ 57. f1 a2 58. d8 e4 59. e8+ f4 60. f8+ e3 61. e8+ e4 62. g1 g2+ 63. f1 g7 64. e5 f7+ 65. g1 h7 0:1

Ivanov I(2610) - Ziane N
Mid America Class (3) 004, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. c3 e5 4. e3 e4 5. b3 f6 6. d2 e7 7. cxd5 cxd5 8. h3 b6 9. f4 b7 10. b5+ f8 11. e2 g6 12. 0-0 c6 13. f3 a5 14. a4



14... g5 15. fxe4?! gxf4 16. e5 e4 17. e4 dx4 18. xf4 d5 19. af1 g5 20. b4+ g7 21. g4

h5 22. g3 h4 23. g4 h6 24. xa5 bxa5 25. e4 g6 26. h1 e8 27. b3 xe3 28. xg6+ fxg6 29. e6 xc4 30. bxc4 xd4 31. f7+ wh6 32. d1 xc4 33. f1



33... e6! 34. h3 d3 35. xf6 xf1+ 36. xf1 c6 37. f4 xe6 38. xh4+ g5 39. g4+ f5 40. g1 h6 41. f2 c6 42. h4 c2+ 43. e3 c3+ 44. f2 a3 45. h7 xa2+ 46. g3 a3+ 47. f2 a2+ 48. g3 a4 49. xa7 e3 50. f3 e2 51. a5+ f6 52. f2 a3 53. h4 g7 54. a6 h6 55. a7 h5 56. a4 b2 57. xa3 xh4 58. a4+ h5 59. e1 g5 60. e4 g4 61. xc2 1/2:1/2

Browne W(2604) - Rajlich V
Mid America Class (3) 005, , 1996

1. d4 f6 2. c4 g6 3. c3 g7 4. e4 d6 5. f3 0-0 6. h3 e5 7. d5 a5 8. e3 a6 9. d2 h5 10. g3 h8 11. e2 f5 12. exf5 gxf5 13. xh5 f4 14. de4 fxe3 15. fxe3 f5 16. 0-0 xh3 17. xf8+ xf8 18. g4 h6 19. h2 xg4 20. xg4 xe3 21. f1 f4+ 22. xf4 exf4 23. g5 1:0

Manion J(2464) - Deshpande A
Mid America Class (3) 007, , 1996

1. d4 f6 2. c4 e6 3. c3 b4 4. g3 d5 5. f3 0-0 6. g2 e6 7. cxd5 cxd5 8. 0-0 e8 9. g5 e7 10.

c1 h6 11. f4 d6 12. e3 a6 13. a3 e7 14. a4 f5 15. d2 e4 16. e1 c6 17. e5 e7 18. a4 fd6 19. d3 f5 20. fe5 f6 21. f3 d7 22. d2 h3 23. xe4 xe4 24. d2 xg2 25. xg2 e7 26. b4 d6 27. xd6 xd6 28. e3 e4 29. e5 xc5 30. xc5 e4+ 31. f3 f5 32. b4 g5 33. b5 axb5 34. axb5 f4 35. xe4 xe4 36. bxc6 bxc6 37. exf4 gxf4 38. xc6 g7 39. b1 ae8 40. b7+ e8e7 41. xe7+ xe7 42. d6 fxg3 43. hxg3 e2 44. xd5 d2 45. f3 g6 46. e3 d1 47. f4 d2 48. f3 f6 49. d6+ 1:0

Chow A(2368) - Tutush D
Mid America Class (3) 008, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. xd4 f6 5. c3 a6 6. e4 e6 7. b3 e7 8. g4 h6 9. e3 c6 10. g1 g6 11. e2 h5



12. gxh5 xh5 13. 0-0-0 c7 14. f4 d7 15. f5



15... gxf5 16. exf5 xd4 17. xd4 h8



18. fxe6 ♗xe6 19. ♖df1 1:0

Ikeuchi C(2069) - Walker L
Mid America Class (3) 011, , 1996

1. ♖f3 ♖f6 2. g3 g6 3. ♗g2 ♗g7 4. 0-0 0-0 5. d3 d5 6. ♖bd2 c5 7. e4 ♖c6 8. c3 ♖b8 9. a4 b6 10. exd5 ♖xd5 11. ♖c4 ♗b7 12. ♖e1 ♖c7 13. h4 ♖bd8 14. h5 ♖fe8 15. hxg6 hxg6 16. ♖b3 e6 17. ♗g5 ♖b8 18. ♖ad1 a6 19. ♗c1 ♗a8 20. ♖a3 ♖a5 21. ♖c2 b5 22. axb5 axb5 23. d4 c4 24. ♖g5 ♖b6 25. ♖e2 ♖b3 26. ♗xd5 ♗xd5 27. ♗f4 ♖bd8 28. ♖c2 ♗a8 29. ♖e4 ♖b7 30. f3 f6 31. ♖b4 g5 32. ♗c1 ♖f7 33. g4 ♖c7 34. ♖h2 ♖xh2+ 35. ♖xh2 ♖g6 36. ♖g3 ♗f8 37. ♖c2 ♖xc1 38. ♖xc1 f5 39. ♖f2 ♖f6 40. ♖cd1 ♗d6+ 41. ♖g2 ♖h8 42. ♖h1 ♗f4 43. ♖b4 ♗e3 44. gxf5 exf5 45. d5 ♖xh1 46. ♖xh1 ♗e5 47. ♖d1 ♗xb4 48. exb4 ♖xd5 49. ♖g3 ♖xd1 50. ♖xd1 ♖e5 51. ♖f2 ♖d4 52. ♖e2 g4 53. fxg4 fxg4 54. ♖c3 ♗e6 55. ♖d2 ♖e5 56. ♖e2 ♖e4 57. ♖c3 ♖e3 58. ♖d4 ♗d7 59. b3 cxb3 0:1

Porter R(2237) - Anderson R
Mid America Class (3) 012, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖e3 ♖c6 3. ♖ge2 d6 4. d4 exd4 5. ♖xd4 ♖f6 6. ♗e3 e5 7. ♖db5 a6 8. ♖a3 b5 9. ♖d5 ♖xd5 10. exd5 ♖e7 11. c4 b4 12. ♖a4+ ♗d7 13. ♖xb4 ♖b8 14. ♖c3 ♖f5

15. ♗d2 ♗e7 16. ♗d3 ♗f6 17. ♗e4 ♖d4 18. ♖b1 0-0 19. ♖c2 ♖e8 20. ♖d3 g6 21. ♖xd4 exd4 22. 0-0 ♗c8 23. b4 ♖b7 24. ♖c2 ♖be7 25. ♗d3 ♗g4 26. f3 ♗c8 27. f4 ♗g4 28. ♖be1 ♖e2 29. ♖xe2 ♗xe2 30. ♖e1 ♗xd3 31. ♖xd3 ♖f8 32. a4 ♖c7 33. ♖c1 ♖d7 34. a5 ♖b8 35. ♖b1 ♖a7 36. ♖c1 ♖b7 37. ♖d1 ♖d7 38. ♖a1 ♗g7 39. ♖c1 ♖b7 40. ♖b1 ♖c8 41. b5 axb5 42. cxb5 ♗f6 43. b6 ♖a8 44. a6! 1:0

Wheeler J(2224) - Ward T
Mid America Class (3) 013, , 1996

1. d4 ♖f6 2. ♖f3 e6 3. c4 ♗b4+ 4. ♗d2 ♖e7 5. g3 ♖c6 6. ♗g2 0-0 7. 0-0 ♗xd2 8. ♖xd2 d6 9. ♖c3 a5 10. e4 e5 11. d5 ♖b8 12. ♖h4 g6 13. ♖ae1 ♖a6 14. ♖h1 ♖d7



15. ♖d1 1/2:1/2

Szpisjak S(2275) - Centinel S
Mid America Class (3) 014, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. ♖f3 ♖f6 4. cxd5 exd5 5. ♖c3 ♖c6 6. ♗f4 e6 7. e3 ♗b4 8. ♗d3 0-0 9. h3 ♖e4 10. ♗xe4 dxe4 11. ♖d2



11... e5 12. dxe5 ♗xc3 13. bxc3 ♖d3 14. ♖e2 ♖xc3 15. 0-0



15... ♗f5 16. ♖fc1 ♖d3 17. ♖xd3 exd3 18. ♖c4 ♗ad8



19. ♖d6 ♗e6 20. ♖c3 ♖d7 21. ♖xd3 ♖b4 22. ♖d2 a6 23. ♖b2 ♖d5 24. ♖xb7 ♖c7 25. ♖d6 h6 26. a4 g5 27. ♗g3 ♖d8 28. a5 ♖e7 29. ♖b6



29... ♖a8 30. ♖ab1 ♖c5 31. ♖a1 ♖c6 32. ♖b7 ♖c2 33. ♖d1 ♖g7 34. ♖d6 ♖c1+ 35. ♖h2 ♖c8 36. f4 ♗f5



37. fxg5 hxg5 38. ♖f6 ♗e4 39. ♖d6
♜d8 40. ♖xe4 ♜dd1 41. ♖f2 1:0

Yermolinsky A(2657) - Ivanov A
Mid America Class (4) 001, , 1996

1. ♖f3 ♖f6 2. e4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♗b4 4.
g3 0-0 5. ♗g2 d5 6. d4 dxc4 7. 0-0
♖c6 8. ♗g5 h6 9. ♗xf6 ♜xf6 10. e3
♜d8 11. ♖d2



11... e5 ♠ 12. ♖d5 ♜xd5 13. ♗xd5
♗h3 14. ♗g2 ♗xg2 15. ♜xg2 ♗xd2
16. d5 ♜d8 17. ♜xd2 e4 18. f3 exf3+
19. ♜xf3 ♜g5 20. ♜af1 ♜xd5 21.
♜c3 ♖e5 22. ♜f5 ♜e7



23. e4 1:0

Gurevich D(2617) - Chow A
Mid America Class (4) 004, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖c3 ♖f6 3. g3 e6 4. ♖f3
b6 5. ♗g2 ♗b7 6. 0-0 ♗e7 7. d4
cxd4 8. ♜xd4 d6



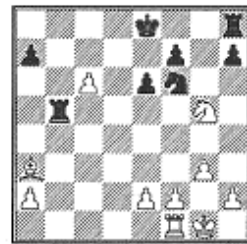
9. b3 ♖bd7 10. ♖b5 ♖e4 11. ♜xg7
♗f6 12. ♜h6 ♗xa1



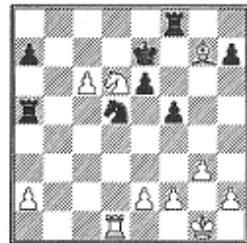
13. ♖g5 ♖dc5 14. b4 ♜f6 15. ♜xf6
♖xf6 16. ♖xd6+ ♜e7 17. ♖xb7
♖xb7 18. ♗a3 ♗e5 19. ♗xb7 ♜ab8
20. ♗c6 ♗d6



21. e5 bxc5 22. bxc5 ♗e5 23. ♗b7
♗b2 24. ♗xb2 ♜xb7 25. ♗a3 ♜b5
26. c6+ ♜e8



27. ♜d1 ♖d5 28. ♖e4 ♜a5 29. ♗b2
♜f8 30. ♗g7 f5 31. ♖d6+ ♜e7



32. ♗xf8+ ♜xf8 33. ♜xd5 ♜xd5 34.
c7 ♜d1+ 35. ♜g2 ♜c1 36. e8=♜+
♜xc8 37. ♖xc8 1:0

Doss J(2182) - Ivanov I
Mid America Class (4) 005, , 1996

1. d4 g6 2. c4 ♗g7 3. ♖f3 c5 4. ♖c3
cxd4 5. ♖xd4 ♖c6 6. ♖c2 ♗xc3+ 7.
bxc3 ♖f6 8. f3 ♜a5 9. ♗d2 d6 10.
e4 ♜a4 11. ♖b4 ♜xd1+ 12. ♜xd1
♗d7 13. ♗g5 ♖h5 14. ♖xc6 ♗xc6
15. ♗d3 ♖g7 16. ♖d2 ♖e6 17. ♗e3
♖c5 18. ♗xc5 dxc5 19. ♜e3 e5 20.
♜hd1 ♜e7 21. ♗c2 g5 22. ♜d2
♜ad8 23. ♜xd8 ♜xd8 24. ♜d1 ♜g8
25. g4 h5 26. ♜f2 hxg4 27. fxg4
♗d7 28. h3 ♗e6 29. ♜b1 ♜b8 30.
♗d3 ♜d6 31. ♗f1 ♜e7 32. a4 ♜d8
33. ♜e3 ♜d6 34. ♗e2 ♜b6 35. ♜a1
♜b3 36. ♜d2 ♜b2+ 37. ♜e3 a5 38.
♜a3 ♜c2 39. ♗f1 ♜h2 40. ♜f3 ♗d7
41. ♗g2 ♗c6 42. ♜a2 ♜xg2 43.
♜xg2 ♗xa4 44. ♜e3 ♗b3 45. ♜d3
♜d6 46. ♜b2 a4 47. ♜b1 ♜e6 48.
♜a1 ♜e7 49. ♜b1 ♜d7 50. ♜a1
♜d6 51. ♜b1 b6 52. ♜a1 ♜c6 53.
♜b1 ♜b7 54. ♜a1 ♜a6 55. ♜b1

♙a5 56. ♖a1 b5 57. cxb5 ♘xb5 58.
♘d2 ♘c4 59. ♖a3 1/2:1/2

Ziane N(2273) - Martinovsky E
Mid America Class (4) 006, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♙c4 ♙c5 4.
c3 ♘f6 5. d4 exd4 6. cxd4 ♙b4+ 7.
♙d2 ♙xd2+ 8. ♘bxd2 d5 9. exd5
♘xd5 10. ♖b3 ♘ce7 11. 0-0 0-0 12.
♘e4 c6 13. a3 ♖b6 14. ♖c2 ♙f5
15. ♙d3 ♖ad8 16. ♖ad1 ♙g6 17.
♘eg5 ♘f4 18. ♙xg6 hxg6 19. ♖e4
♘ed5 20. g3 ♖de8 21. ♘e5 ♘e6 22.
♘xe6 ♖xe6 23. ♖h4 ♖d8 24. ♖h3
♖fe8 25. ♖d2 ♖f6 26. ♖g2 g5 27.
♖d3 ♖e7 28. ♖f3 ♖h6 29. ♖f5 f6
30. ♘d3 ♖e4 31. ♘c5 ♖xd4 32. ♖f3
g4 33. ♖b3 b6 34. ♘d3 ♖d2 35.
♘b4 ♘xb4 36. ♖xb4 ♖xb4 37. axb4
♖d5 38. ♖xd5+ cxd5 39. ♖d1 ♖d7
40. ♖d4 f5 41. f3 gxf3 42. ♘f2 ♘f7
43. ♘xf3 ♘e6 44. ♖d2 ♖c7 45.
♖e2+ ♘f6 46. ♖d2 ♘e5 47. ♖e2+
♘f6 48. ♖d2 ♖d7 49. ♘e3 ♘e5 50.
♘d3 ♖c7 51. ♖e2+ ♘d6 52. ♖f2 g6
53. b3 ♖e7 54. ♖a2 ♘c6 55. ♘c3
♖e3+ 56. ♘d2 ♖xb3 57. ♖xa7 ♖xb4
58. ♖g7 ♖g4 59. ♘d3 b5 60. ♖g8
♘c5 61. ♖c8+ ♘b4 62. ♖d8 d4 63.
♖b8 ♘a4 64. ♖b6 ♘b4 65. ♖c6
♘b3 66. ♖b6 b4 67. ♖c6 ♘b2 68.
♖c2+ ♘b1 69. ♖d2 ♖e4 70. ♘c4
♘c1 71. ♖f2 ♘d1 72. ♘xb4 ♘e1
73. ♖a2 d3+ 74. ♘c3 d2 75. ♖xd2
♖e3+ 76. ♖d3 ♘e2 77. ♖xe3+ ♘xe3
78. ♘c2 ♘f3 79. ♘d3 ♘g2 80. ♘e3
♘h2 81. ♘f3 g5 82. g4 f4 83. ♘f2
♘h3 84. ♘f3 ♘h4 0:1

Walker L(2161) - Manion J
Mid America Class (4) 007, , 1996

1. ♘f3 g6 2. g3 ♙g7 3. ♙g2 c5 4.
0-0 ♘c6 5. c4 e5 6. ♘c3 ♘ge7 7.
♘e1 0-0 8. ♘c2 d6 9. a3 ♙e6 10.
♘e3 ♖d7 11. ♖b1 ♙h3 12. b4

♙xg2 13. ♘xg2 ♖ae8 14. ♘ed5 f5
15. f4 exf4 16. gxf4 b6 17. e3 ♘xd5
18. ♘xd5 ♘e7 19. ♖f3 ♘xd5 20.
♖xd5+ ♖f7 21. ♖xf7+ ♖xf7 22.
♙b2 ♖c7 23. ♙xg7 ♘xg7 24. ♘f3
♘f6 25. a4 ♖d8 26. a5 d5 27. axb6
axb6 28. bxc5 bxc5 29. cxd5 ♖d5
30. ♖b6+ ♘f7 31. ♘e2 c4 32. ♖c1
♖dc5 33. ♖c3 ♘e7 34. ♘e1 ♘d7
35. ♘e2 ♘e7 1/2:1/2

Rajlich V(2226) - Dandridge M
Mid America Class (4) 008, , 1996

1. e4 g6 2. d4 ♙g7 3. e4 d6 4. ♘c3
♘c6 5. d5 ♘b8 6. f4 c6 7. ♘f3 ♙g4
8. ♙e2 ♖a5 9. 0-0 ♙xf3 10. ♙xf3
♖c5+ 11. ♘h1 ♖xc4 12. ♙e3 ♖b4
13. a3 ♖a5 14. b4 ♖d8 15. ♙d4
♘f8 16. ♖c1 ♘f6 17. e5 ♘e8 18.
♙e4 cxd5 19. ♘xd5 ♘c6 20. ♙a1
e6 21. ♘c3 d5 22. ♙b1 a6 23. g4 d4
24. ♘g2 ♖d7 25. ♖c2 ♖d8 26. ♙a2
♘c7 27. ♖cf2 ♘g8 28. ♖e2 ♘d5
29. ♖e4 f5 30. exf6 ♙xf6 31. f5 gxf5
32. gxf5 e5 33. ♖g1 ♘f8 34. ♘e1
♘c3 35. ♙xc3 dxc3 36. ♖c4 c2 37.
♖g8+ ♖xg8 38. ♖xg8+ 1:0

Szpisjak S(2275) - Fagan J
Mid America Class (4) 010, , 1996

1. c4 c5 2. ♘f3 ♘f6 3. ♘c3 e6 4. g3
b6 5. ♙g2 ♙b7 6. 0-0 ♙e7 7. d4
cxd4 8. ♖xd4 d6 9. ♖d1 a6 10. b3
♘bd7 11. ♙a3 ♘c5 12. b4 ♘cd7
13. b5 ♘c5 14. ♙xc5 bxc5 15. ♖d3
0-0 16. ♘e1 ♙xg2 17. ♘xg2 axb5
18. cxb5 ♖a3 19. ♘e3 ♘d5 20.
♘exd5 exd5 21. ♖d2 d4 22. ♘d5
♙f6 23. ♖b2 ♖a5 24. a4 h5 25. b6
h4 26. b7 ♙e5 27. ♘e7+ ♖xe7 28.
b8=♖ ♖xb8 29. ♖xb8+ ♘h7 30.
♖b6 hxg3 31. hxg3 ♙xg3 32. fxg3
♖c3+ 33. ♘f1 ♖xg3 34. ♖d3 1:0

Tutush D(2156) - Cadman C
Mid America Class (4) 012, , 1996

1. d4 g6 2. e4 ♙g7 3. ♘c3 c5 4. ♘f3
♘c6 5. d5 ♘d4 6. ♙d3 ♘xf3+ 7.
♖xf3 a6 8. a4 d6 9. 0-0 ♘f6 10.
♙d2 ♘d7 11. ♖g3 h5 12. f4 h4 13.
♖f2 h3 14. g4 ♘f6 15. g5 ♘g4 16.
♖g3 c4 17. ♙e2 ♖d7 18. a5 f5 19.
gxf6 ♙xf6 20. ♖a4 ♙h4 21. ♖f3
♖d8 22. ♖xc4 ♙d7 23. ♘d1 b5 24.
axb6 ♖xb6+ 25. ♘h1 ♖f8 26. ♖g1
♘e5 27. fxe5 ♖xf3 28. ♙xf3 dxe5
29. ♙h5 gxh5 30. ♖g8+ ♘f7 31.
♖xa8 ♖f6 32. ♘c3 ♖f3+ 33. ♘g1
♙f2+ 0:1

Ward T(2200) - Anderson R
Mid America Class (4) 014, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4.
♘xd4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 a6 6. ♙c4 e6 7.
♙b3 ♘bd7 8. f4 ♘c5 9. f5 e5 10.
♘de2 ♘xb3 11. axb3 b5 12. ♙g5
♙e7 13. ♙xf6 ♙xf6 14. ♘xb5 0-0



15. ♖xd6 ♖15... axb5 16. ♖xf8+
♘xf8 17. ♖xa8 g6 18. fxg6 hxg6 19.
0-0 ♘g7 20. ♘c3 ♖b6+ 21. ♘h1
♙b7 22. ♖aa1 b4 23. ♘d5 ♙xd5 24.
exd5 e4 25. ♖fe1 e3 26. ♖ad1 ♙e7
27. ♖d3 ♙c5 28. d6 ♙xd6 29.
♖dx3 ♖c5 30. c3 f6 31. c4 ♖d4 32.
g3 ♖d2 33. ♖3e2 ♖d3 34. ♖e3 ♖c2
35. ♖f3 ♙e5 36. ♖ef1 ♖xb2 37.
♖f2 ♖b1+ 38. ♖f1 ♖e4 39. ♘g2
g5 40. h3 ♙c3 41. ♘h2 ♖c2+ 42.
♖3f2 ♖xb3 0:1

Karklins E(2100) - Sax R
Mid America Class (4) 020, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. d3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. dxd4 d6 5. d3 g6 6. d3 c6 7. b5 d7 8. 0-0 g7 9. e1 0-0 10. h3 c8 11. d5 a6 12. f1 e8 13. e3 d5 14. exd5 a5 15. d4 b5 16. xg7 xg7 17. d4+ g8 18. h4 f6 19. d3 g7 20. b3 b7 21. b4 e5 22. dxe6 xxe6 23. a4 d7 24. axb5 axb5 25. a7 a8 26. xa8 xa8 27. xb5 f7 28. c6 b8 29. d4 c4 30. f4 d8 31. xb7 xb7 32. c6 xc6 33. e7+ f7 34. c4 e8 35. b5 c5 36. d7 e1+ 37. h2 e5 38. xe5 fxe5 39. b6 b1 40. xd6 xc4 41. d7+ 0:1

Ivanov A(2643) - Kudrin S
Mid America Class (5) 001, , 1996

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. exd5 exd5 4. c4 d6 5. c3 e6 6. f3 e7 7. exd5 d5 8. b5+ d7 9. xd7+ d7 10. d5 exd5 11. 0-0 0-0



12. f4 [And with this quiet draw, both player retired from the playing hall to await the results on other top boards. They had guaranteed themselves at least a share of the \$2,000 first prize.] 1/2:1/2

Fedorowicz J(2623) - Yermolinsky A
Mid America Class (5) 002, , 1996

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. c3 dxe4 4. dxe4 d7 5. f3 d6 6. dxf6+ dxf6 7. c5 g6 8. c4



8... d5 9. 0-0 g7 10. e1 0-0 11. c3 e6 12. e2 c7 13. b3 ad8 14. d2 f5 15. ad1



15... a5 16. h3 c5 17. c1 cxd4 18. xd4 e6



19. dd1 = 19... dxc3!? 20. bxc3 xb3 21. xd8 xd8 22. axb3 xc5 23. xc5 xe5 24. xe5 d1+ 25. h2 xc1 26. xe7



1/2:1/2

Martinovsky E(2373) - Gurevich D
Mid America Class (5) 003, , 1996

1. f3 d6 2. g3 d5 3. g2 g4 4. d3 c6 5. 0-0 bd7 6. bd2 e5 7. e4 d6 8. h3 h5 9. e1 0-0



10. b1!? e8 11. c3 c5 12. e2 c7



13. b4! dxe4 14. bxc5 exf3



15. xf3?! xf3 16. xf3 b8



17. c4?! [Gurevich] 17... c8 18. g2 h6 19. b2 f5 20. e3 d7 21. a3 f8 22. d2 e6 23. e4 d4 24. d1 g6 25. e1 e6 26. d6 b6 27. cxb6 axb6 28. c5 a8 29. b2 bxc5 30. e4 c4 31. dxc4 xa2



32. g4 [32. c5 d6 33. e4 d8] 32... f5 33. xg6 xg6 34. c5 f4 35. g4 f3+ 36. f1 e2 37. ed1 h5 38. d7 hxg4 39. xe5 xe5 40. xe5 gxh3 41. d8+ wh7 42. h2 xg2 0:1

Ivanov I(2610) - Walker L
Mid America Class (5) 004, , 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. c3 b4 4. e5 c5 5. a3 xc3+ 6. bxc3 e7 7. a4

xa5 8. d2 bc6 9. f4 cxd4 10. cxd4 c7 11. f3 d7 12. d3 a5 13. b4



13... e4 14. xe7 xe7 15. f5 xa5+ 16. f2 exf5 17. c1 f8 18. f4 h6 19. xf5 c7 20. d3 e6 21. hb1 e7 22. a5 g8 23. b5 a6 24. c5 d8 25. b1 g6 26. h4 d7 27. h5 g7 28. xc4 dxc4 29. b6 hd8 30. hxg6 fxg6 31. c3 g5 32. f6+ xf6 33. exf6+ xf6 34. e5 d6 35. xb7 d5 36. h7 g6 37. e7 g8 38. a7 d6 39. ce7 wf6 40. e5 wf5 41. e3 h5 42. f3 d5 43. e5+ wf6 44. xg5 g8 45. wf4 xg2 46. d7+ 1:0

Browne W(2604) - Henderson S
Mid America Class (5) 005, , 1996

1. d4 f6 2. c4 e6 3. f3 e5 4. d5 exd5 5. cxd5 d6 6. c3 g6 7. e4 g7 8. h3 0-0 9. d3



9... a6?! [Modern practice has demonstrated that the loss of time spent developing this piece to c7 only increases the force of White's inevitable e4-e5. Worthy of greater consideration, therefore, are 9... e8, 9...a6, and 9...b5!?] 10. 0-0 e8 11.

e1 b8 12. f4 c7 13. a4 a6 14. f1 b5



15. e5! [Walter must have been extremely pleased to reach this position in the last round of an important tournament, for he got to the same point just over two years ago in Las Vegas and evaluated White's chances as highly promising!] 15... dxe5 16. e5± [Browne-Fink, Las Vegas 1993]



16... b7 [16 ... fxd5? 17. c6] 17. c6 xc6 18. dxc6 xe1 19. xe1 b6 20. d1 c8 21. e7 e6



22. c7 [White's deadly threat of 23. xc6! followed by 24. c8/w is unstoppable and compels immediate resignation.] 1:0

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Doss J(2182) - Tate E
Mid America Class (5) 006, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4.
♗xd4 e6 5. c4 ♘c6 6. ♖d2 ♘f6 7.
♘c3 ♙e7 8. b3 0-0 9. ♙b2



9... a6 10. ♞d1 ♞b8 11. ♙e2 b5 12.
cxb5 axb5 13. ♙xb5



13... ♘xe4 14. ♘xe4 ♞xb5 15. ♖c3
♘e5 16. ♘d4 ♞b6 17. f4 ♙b7 18.
♘g3 d5 19. 0-0 ♙b4 20. ♖c2 ♘g4
21. ♞f3 ♖h4 22. h3 ♞c8 23. ♖b1
♘f6 24. ♘df5 exf5 25. ♘xf5 ♖h5
26. ♞g3 g6 27. ♞g5



27... ♖c2 28. ♖a1 d4 29. ♙xd4 ♞d8
30. ♞b1 ♞e6 31. ♙xf6 ♙c5+ 32.
♖h2 ♞d2 33. ♞b2 ♙c3 34. ♘xe3
♖xc3 35. ♞xd2 ♖xf4+ 36. ♞g3
♖xd2 37. ♖d4 ♖xd4 38. ♙xd4 ♞e2

39. a4 f5 40. ♖g1 ♖f7 41. ♖f1 ♙a6
42. ♖g1 ♞e1+ 43. ♖h2 ♞e2 44. ♞f3
♞d2 45. ♙c5 ♞b2 46. b4 ♞a2 47. a5
♖e6 48. ♞f2



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Chow A(2368) - Wheeler J
Mid America Class (5) 007, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 c5 3. ♘f3 g6 4. ♘c3
♙g7 5. e4 d6 6. d5 0-0 7. h3 b5 8.
cxb5 a6 9. bxa6 ♖a5 10. ♙d3 ♙xa6
11. 0-0 ♙xd3 12. ♖xd3 ♘a6 13.
♘d2 ♘b4 14. ♖e2 ♖a6 15. ♘c4
♘d7 16. ♞e1 ♘e5 17. ♘e5 ♙xe5
18. ♙g5 ♞fh8 19. ♞ad1 ♖xe2 20.
♞xe2 ♘xa2 21. ♘xa2 ♞xa2 22.
♙xe7 f6 23. f4 ♙d4+ 24. ♖f1 ♞a6
25. ♞xd4 cxd4 26. ♙xf6 d3 27. ♞d2
♞a4 28. ♞xd3 ♞xe4 29. g3 ♞f8 30.
♙c3 g5 31. ♙d2 ♞a4 1/2:1/2

Cadman C(2069) - Szpisjak S
Mid America Class (5) 008, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. g3 ♘c6 3. ♙g2 f5 4. ♘c3
♘f6 5. e3 e4 6. d3 ♙b4 7. dxe4
♙xc3+ 8. bxc3 ♘xe4 9. f3 ♘c5 10.
♘e2 ♖f6 11. 0-0 d6 12. e4 0-0 13.
♘d4 ♙d7 14. ♙h3 fxe4 15. fxe4
♖e7 16. ♞xf8+ ♞xf8 17. ♙xd7
♘xd7 18. ♘b5 ♘f6 19. ♙g5 a6 20.
♙xf6 ♖xf6 21. ♘xc7 ♖xc3 22.
♘d5 ♖xc4 23. ♞b1 ♖xe4 24. ♞xb7
♘d4 25. ♘e7+ ♖h8 26. ♞b2 ♖xe7
0:1

Ziane N(2273) - Deshpande A
Mid America Class (5) 009, , 1996

1. c4 ♘f6 2. ♘c3 e6 3. g3 d5 4. d4
c6 5. ♙g2 dxc4 6. ♘f3 ♙e7 7. 0-0
0-0 8. ♘e5 ♘fd7 9. ♘xc4 b6 10.
♙f4 ♘f6 11. ♙xb8 ♞xb8 12. ♘e5
♙b7 13. ♘xc6 ♙xc6 14. ♙xc6 ♖d6
15. ♙f3 ♞fd8 16. e3 ♖b4 17. ♖e2
♞bc8 18. ♞fd1 ♞d7 19. ♞d2 ♞dc7
20. ♞ad1 ♖c4 21. ♖xc4 ♞xc4 22.
d5 ♙b4 23. dxe6 fxe6 24. ♞d8+ ♖f7
25. ♙e2 ♞xd8 26. ♞xd8 ♞c7 27.
♘b5 ♞c2 28. ♘d4 ♞xb2 29. ♙c4
♘e4 30. ♙xe6+ ♖f6 31. ♞d5 ♙e1
32. ♞f5+ ♖e7 33. ♞f7+ ♖e8 34.
♘f5 ♙xf2+ 35. ♖f1 ♞b1+ 36. ♖g2
♞g1+ 37. ♖f3 ♘g5+ 38. ♖xf2
♘xe6 39. ♘d6+ 1:0

Anderson R(2330) - Dandridge M
Mid America Class (5) 010, , 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♘c3 dxe4 4.
♘xe4 ♘f6 5. ♘xf6+ exf6 6. c3 ♙d6
7. ♙d3 0-0 8. ♘e2 ♞e8 9. ♖c2 h6
10. 0-0 f5 11. ♙d2 ♖f6 12. ♞ae1
♞d8 13. ♘g3 g6 14. ♞e2 ♙c6 15. f3
♘d7 16. ♖c1 ♙xg3 17. hxg3 g5 18.
♖c2 a5 19. a4 ♞ac8 20. ♞fe1 ♞b8
21. ♙e3 ♞de8 22. d5! cxd5 23.
♙d4 ♖xd4+ 24. cxd4 ♞xc2 25.
♞xc2 ♞a8 26. ♞c7 ♘b8 27. ♙b5
♘c6 28. ♙xc6 bxc6 29. ♞b7 ♞a6
30. f4 g4 31. ♞c1 ♖f8 32. ♖f2 ♖g8
33. ♞c3 ♖g7 34. ♞cb3 1:0

Fagan J(2037) - Porter R
Mid America Class (5) 011, , 1996

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♘c3 ♙g7 4. e4
d6 5. ♘f3 0-0 6. ♙e3 e5 7. dxe5
dxe5 8. ♖xd8 ♞xd8 9. ♘d5 ♞d7 10.

♖xf6+ ♜xf6 11. c5 ♜d8 12. ♜c4
 ♜c6 13. h3 ♖b4 14. ♜c1 ♖d3+ 15.
 ♜xd3 ♜xd3 16. ♜e2 ♜d8 17. ♜hd1
 ♜d7 18. h3 ♜c6 19. ♖d2 ♜d7 20.
 a4 ♜ad8 21. f3 ♜d3 22. ♜b1 ♜c3
 23. ♖c4 ♜c2+ 24. ♖d2 ♜e7 25.
 ♜dc1 ♜xc1 26. ♜xc1 f5 27. g4 fxg4
 28. hxg4 h5 29. g5 ♜f7 30. ♖c4
 ♜e6 31. ♖a5 ♜b8 32. ♜f2 ♜e8 33.
 ♖c4 ♜d8 34. ♜e2 b6 35. cxb6 cxb6
 36. ♖b2 ♜d7 37. ♖d1 ♜c8 38.
 ♜xc8 ♜xc8 39. ♖c3 ♜a6+ 40. ♜f2
 ♜d3 41. a5 bxa5 42. ♜xa7 ♜c2 43.
 ♜b6 ♜xb3 44. ♜xa5 ♜xg5 45. ♜b6
 ♜c4 46. ♖d1 ♜e7 47. ♖e3 ♜e6 48.
 ♜c7 ♜f6 49. f4 exf4 50. ♜xf4 g5 51.
 ♜h2 ♜d4 52. ♜f3 g4+ 53. ♜f4 ♜f6
 54. ♖f1 h4 55. e5+ ♜xe5+ 56. ♜e4
 g3 57. ♜xg3 hxg3 58. ♖xg3 ♜xg3
 59. ♜e3 ♜e5 60. ♜d3 ♜d5 61.
 ♜e3 ♜e4 62. ♜d2 ♜d4 63. ♜e2
 ♜f4 64. ♜e1 ♜d3 65. ♜f2 ♜d2 66.
 ♜f1 ♜e3 67. ♜e1 ♜f3 68. ♜f1
 ♜g3 69. ♜g1 ♜h4 70. ♜h2 ♜e2
 71. ♜h3 ♜e1 72. ♜h2 ♜f1 73. ♜h3
 ♜f2 74. ♜h2 ♜g4 0:1

Sastra R(2118) - Sax R
 Mid America Class (5) 017, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. c3 ♖f6 3. e5 ♖d5 4. d4
 cxd4 5. ♖f3 e6 6. ♜xd4 ♖c6 7.
 ♜e4 f5 8. exf6 ♖xf6 9. ♜h4 ♜e7
 10. ♜g5 d5 11. ♜d3 e5 12. ♜xf6
 ♜xf6 13. ♜h5+ g6 14. ♜xg6+ hxg6
 15. ♜xg6+ ♜e7 16. ♜c2 ♜g8 17. g3
 ♜e6 18. ♖a3 ♜c8 19. ♖d2 ♜d7 20.
 ♜b3 e4 21. ♜a4 ♖e5 22. ♜xd7+
 ♜xd7 23. 0-0 ♖d3 24. ♜ab1 ♜h3
 25. ♜fd1 ♜g4 26. f3 exf3 27. ♖xf3
 ♜xf3 28. ♜xd3 ♜e4 29. ♜bd1 ♜xd3
 30. ♜xd3 ♜c5 31. ♜f2 ♜f8 32. ♜g2
 b5 33. ♖c2 a5 34. a3 ♜d6 35. h4
 ♜c7 36. ♖e3 ♜c5 37. g4 ♜xh4 38.
 ♖f5+ ♜xf5 39. gxf5 ♜e5 40. ♜h3
 ♜f6 41. ♜g4 ♜c4+ 42. ♜g3 ♜f4 43.
 ♜xd5+ ♜xd5 44. ♜xf4 ♜c4 45.
 ♜e4 a4 0:1

Satterlee R(2111) - Smythe B
 Mid America Class (5) 033, , 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♖d2 ♖f6 4. e5
 ♖e4 5. ♖xe4 dxe4 6. ♜c3 c5 7.
 ♜b5+ ♜d7 8. ♜xd7+ ♖xd7 9. dxc5
 ♜xc5 10. ♜xc5 ♖xc5 11. b4 ♜g5
 12. bxc5 ♜xg2 13. ♜e2 0-0 14. 0-0-0
 ♜xh1 15. f3 ♜ad8 16. ♜f1 e3 17.
 ♜e1 ♜d2 18. ♜xc3 ♜xh2 19. f4
 ♜g2 20. ♜e2 ♜f1+ 21. ♜e1 ♜c4 22.
 ♖e2 ♜xa2 23. ♜g3 ♜a1+ 24. ♜d2
 ♜d8+ 25. ♜e3 ♜a3+ 26. c3 ♜xc5+
 0:1

Games from the Peoria Open

Szpisjak S(2228) - Van Buskirk D
 Greater Peoria Open (5) 01, , 1996

(Notes by Van Buskirk)

1. d4 e6 [I knew the day before that I
 would probably have to beat Szpisjak
 with Black to get money, so I was
 well prepared.] 2. c4 [Avoiding king's
 pawn territory.] 2... f5 3. ♖f3 ♖f6 4.
 g3 d5 5. ♜g2 ♜b4+ 6. ♜d2 ♜e7
 [With this maneuver permitted by
 2.c4, Black avoids the dark-square
 assault b2-b3 & ♜c1-a3.] 7. 0-0
 ♖bd7!? 8. ♖c3 c6 ♞ [Black's
 seventh move is usually an error if
 played too early. But the bishop on d2
 changes things: on 9. ♜c2 dc White

does not have ♖d2, and on 9. ♜b3
 0-0! 10. ♖g5 ♖b6 11.c5 (the usual
 antedote) 11...♖c4 is strong. Best
 may be 9.cd or 9.c5!?) 9. ♖e5? Bad
 because White's pieces are not set up
 to defend the pawn on e5.] 9... 0-0?!
 [I was spooked by 9.♖xe5 10.de ♖g4
 11.e4!?, but Black is fine after 11...de
 12.♖xe4 ♖xe5 or even 12...fe!?.
 White should now bail out with 10.cd
 ed 11.♖d3.]



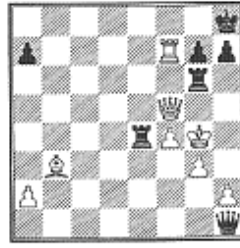
10. ♜c1? ♖xe5 11. dxe5 ♖g4 12.
 cxd5 exd5 13. ♜b3 [The KP is lost
 after either a) 13.f4 ♜b6+ 14.♜h1
 ♖f2+ 15.♜xf2 ♜xf2 16.e3 d4! or
 13.♜f4 g5! 14.h3 gf 15.hg fxg4 when
 Black has a pawn, bishops, and safe
 enough king.] 13... ♖xe5 14. e4
 ♖d3? [A knee jerk reaction which
 throws away most of Black's opening
 advantage. For the rook, Black now
 loses two pawns, central influence,
 and a nice knight. Simply 14...fe
 retains a decisive advantage.] 15.
 exd5 ♖xc1 16. ♜xc1 ♜h8 17. dxc6
 [The move I underestimated.] 17...
 ♜xd2 18. ♜d1 ♜h6 19. cxb7 ♜b8
 20. bxc8=♜ ♜fxc8 21. ♜c2 ♞ [Now
 Black must try to win with the
 smallest of material advantages, and I
 was also approaching time trouble.]
 21... ♜e6 22. ♜d5 ♜e5



23. ♖b3?! [A risky maneuver denuding his king.] 23... ♗b4?! [With little or no time left on the clock, Black hurries to get at the White monarch. However, this bishop was better than the knight and shouldn't have been exchanged.] 24. ♗d5 ♖e1+ 25. ♖g2 ♗xc3 26. bxc3 ♗xc3 27. ♖xf5 ♗c1 [If now 8. ♗c2?? ♖f1+ 29. ♖f3 ♗xc2 30. ♖xc2 ♖h1+ wins. Maybe this tactic prompted White to protect f1 with ...] 28. ♖d3? [But after ...]



28... ♗f8! [... Black grabbed the initiative. Correct on move 28 was instead 8. ♖f4 when I would have had to put attacks on hold.] 29. ♗f5 ♗e8 30. ♗f7!? [Why not 30. ♗h5? I suspect that Steve judged I had enough time to possibly win the endgame after 30... ♖e4+ 31. ♖xe4 ♗xe4 32. ♗b5 ♗ce1.] 30... ♖h1+ 31. ♖h3 ♗e6 32. ♖f5 [It looks like Black wins after this, but is anything better?] 32... ♗h6+ 33. ♖g4 ♗e4+ 34. f4 ♗g6+ ♖[At this point, I had less than a minute to make all my moves while Steve had maybe 20 minutes left. Believing his king secure, he pulled back with ...]



35. ♖h3? [... and was quickly mated after ...] 35... ♗xg3+! 36. ♖xg3 ♗e3+ 37. ♖h4 ♖xh2+ 38. ♖g5 ♖h6+ 39. ♖g4 ♖h3+ 40. ♖g5 ♗g3+ 41. ♖g4 ♖xg4# [For a while I felt this finish was tainted due to White's earlier alternative 35. ♖xg6! hg 36. ♗f8+ ♖h7 37. ♖g5 with a perpetual (♗b3-g8-f7-g8-f7). But, if Black interpolates 35... ♗xf4+! White's king will be checked out of his "perpet-net" setup 0:1

VanBuskirk D(2225) - Yavari P
Greater Peoria Open (4), , 1996

1. e4 g6 2. d4 ♗g7 3. ♖f3 d6 4. ♗c4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 0-0 6. ♖e2



6... c6?! [The opening has now transposed to the Classical line of the Pirc Defense. MCO-13 now gives 6... ♗g4 7.e5 ♖h5 8.h3 (8.e6 is rebuffed by 8... ♖c6 9.cf ♖h8) 8... ♗xf3 leading to a game that was drawn. The text is not in keeping with these themes of attack] 7. e5 dxe5 8. dxe5 ♖d5 9. 0-0!? ♖xc3 10. bxc3 ♖

[Compare this position to that in the 6th move notes. Black has no knight to guard f4 from White's QB while his own is about to be stifled with e6. White could probably have gotten an edge without the ugly queenside pawns, but rapid development is attractive!]



10... ♖a5? 11. ♗g5 ♖c7?! [A little better was 11... ♖c5, but he really should have developed the bishop with 10... ♗g4.] 12. e6 f6? [For better or worse Black had to kill the king pawn, although he is clearly worse after 12... fe 13. ♗xe6+ ♗xe6 14. ♖xe6+ ♖h8 15. ♗ad1.] 13. ♗h4 b5 14. ♗g3 ♖b6 15. ♗ab1 ♖c5 16. ♗b3 a5



17. ♗fd1! [Adding a little fire to the game! If now 17..a4 then 18. ♗d6 ♖a7 19. ♗xe7! ♖xe7 20. ♗d7! ♗xd7 21.ed+ winning the queen. On 19...ab 20. ♗xf8 ♗xf8 21. ♗d8 is strong.] 17... ♖h8 [White's KB has X-ray powers!] 18. a4 b4? [Black has more important things to do than push Q-side pawns.] 19. ♗d4! ♖a6 20. ♗bd1 ♖b6 [Threatening 12... ♖c5.] 21. ♖e3 e5 ♖ [White is now at a crossroads, he can retain a grip on the d-file or go for a Kingside attack. His advantage is so great I think it's just a matter of taste.] 22. ♗h4 ♗b7



23. ♖e5!! fxe5 24. ♗xe5 ♜f6 [The only way to stop ♜e3-h6-h76 mate.]



25. ♜h3?? [25. ♜d7!] 25... ♗e6?? [This serious lapse by both players mars an otherwise beautiful and thematic conclusion. White's 25.♜h3 threatened 26.♗xf6 ♗xf6 (or 26...cf as in the game) 27.♜h6, but after the obvious 25...♜c6 White could hardly save the game against Black's threat 26. ♗xf6 exf6 27. e7 ♗e8 [Unpleasant, but g6 was weak.] 28. ♜d3 ♖c7 29. ♜c4 ♖c6 [Else mate on g8.] 30. ♜xe6 ♜xe6 31. ♗xe6 ♜a7 [Hoping for the reflex 32.♜d8? ♜xe7.] 32. ♗d7! [Ending all resistance.] 32... ♜xd7 33. ♜xd7 ♗g8?! 34. ♜d8 ♗f7 35. ♜xh7 ♗xa4 36. ♜xg7+ ♗xg7



37. e8=♜ ♗xe8 38. ♜xe8 a4 39. cxb4 cxb4 40. ♜e4 1:0

Mote D(2270) - Hernandez H
Greater Peoria Open (5) 02, , 1996

1. e4 d6 2. d4 g6 3. c4 ♗g7 4. ♖c3 ♖f6 5. f3 0-0 6. ♗e3 b6 7. ♜d2 c5 8. ♗d3 cxd4 9. ♗xd4 ♖c6 10. ♗e3 ♗b7 11. ♖ge2 ♖e5 12. 0-0 ♖xd3 13. ♜xd3 ♖d7 14. b3 ♜c8 15. ♜fd1 ♖c5 16. ♜d2 f5 17. exf5 ♜xf5 18. ♜ac1 ♜d7 19. b4 ♖a6 20. ♖b5 ♗a8 21. ♗d4 ♜cf8 22. ♗xg7 ♗xg7 23. ♖ed4 ♜5f6 24. a3 h6 25. ♜c3 ♗h7 26. ♜e3 ♖b8 27. ♖c3 ♖a6 28. ♜e2 ♜8f7 29. ♖d5 ♗xd5 30. cxd5 ♖c7 31. ♖e6 ♗g8 32. ♜c4 ♖e8 33. ♜c6 ♜xc6 34. dxc6 ♜xc6 35. ♜xe6 ♜g7 36. a4 ♖c7 37. ♜e2 d5 38. b5 ♜f7 39. ♜d4 ♗f8 40. a5 ♜f6 41. axb6 axb6 42. ♜a2 ♗f7 43. ♜b4 ♜d6 44. ♜a7 1:0

Anderson P(1921) - Mote D
Greater Peoria Open (1) 02, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3. ♗b5+ ♖c6 4. d4 cxd4 5. ♜xd4 ♗d7 6. ♗xc6 ♗xc6 7. ♖c3 ♖f6 8. ♗g5 e6 9. 0-0-0 ♗e7 10. ♜he1 h6 11. ♗h4 g5 12. ♗g3 e5 13. ♗xe5 dxe5 14. ♜xe5 ♜b8 15. ♜d4 ♜f4+ 16. ♖d2 0-0 17. g3 ♜c7 18. f4 ♜fd8 19. ♜e3 ♜a5 20. ♖b3 ♜b6 21. ♜e2 ♜xd1+ 22. ♜xd1 ♜d8 23. ♜e1 a5 24. e5 ♖d5 25. ♖e4 a4 26. ♖bd2 a3 27. b3 ♜d4 28. ♜h5 ♜a1+ 29. ♖b1 ♖xf4 0:1

Mote D(2270) - Naff B
Greater Peoria Open (4) 02, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 g6? 6. ♖xc6 bxc6 7. e5



7... ♖g8 [7 ... ♖d5 8. ♖xd5 cxd5 9. ♜xd5 ♜b8 10. e6] 8. ♗c4 ♗g7 9. ♜f3 f5 10. ♗f4 ♜a5 11. 0-0 ♗a6 12. b4 ♜b6 13. b5 ♗b7 14. bxc6 ♗xc6 15. ♖d5 ♜a5 16. e6



16... ♜c8 [16 ... dxe6 17. ♖f6+ ♖xf6 18. ♜xc6+ ♗f7 19. ♗xe6+-] 17. ♜ab1 d6 [17 ... dxe6 18. ♜b8 ♜xb8 (18 ... ♜d8 19. ♗c7 ♗xd5 20. ♗b5+ ♗f8 21. ♗xd8 ♗xf3 22. ♜xc8+-) 19. ♖f6+ ♖xf6 20. ♜xc6+ ♖d7 21. ♗xb8±] 18. ♗b5! ♗xb5 19. ♜xb5 ♜d8 [19 ... ♜xb5? 20. ♖c7+! ♜xc7 21. ♜a8+ ♜b8 22. ♜xb8+ ♜c8 23. ♜xc8#] 20. ♜b7 ♗d4 21. ♜d3 ♗c5 22. ♜b5+ ♗f8 23. ♜b2 ♖f6



24. ♖xf6 [If 24...exf6 25.♗h6+ ♗g8 (25...♗e8 26.♜b5+) 26.♜g7+ ♗f8 27.♜d7+ ♗g8 28.♜xd8+ ♜xd8 29.♜xf6 +-] 1:0

Szpisjak S(2275) - Mote D
Greater Peoria OPen (3) 01, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♖c3 ♗f6 3. ♗f3 ♖c6 4. g3 d5 5. exd5 ♗xd5 6. ♖g2 ♗b6 7. 0-0 ♖e7 8. d3 ♖e6 9. ♖e3 0-0 10. a4 ♗d5 11. ♗xd5 ♖xd5 12. a5 a6 13. ♖a4 ♖f6 14. ♖fc1 ♗d4 15. ♖xd4 exd4 16. ♗d2 ♖xg2 17. ♖xg2 ♖g5 18. f4 ♖e8 19. ♗e4 ♖e7 20. ♖c4 e5 21. ♖f1 ♖f8 22. b3 ♖d7 23. ♖a2 ♖ac8 24. ♖f3 ♖e6 25. ♖xe6 ♖xe6 26. ♖f1 f5 27. ♗g5 ♖ec6 28. ♗f3 ♖e8 29. ♗e5 ♖cc8 30. ♖f3 ♖d6 31. ♗c4 ♖f8 32. ♖e1 g6 33. ♖c2 ♖g7 34. ♗b6 ♖c6 35. ♗d7 ♖ec8 36. ♖ec1 ♖f8 37. ♗e5 ♖6c7 38. b4 ♖d6 39. ♖xc5 ♖xc5 40. ♖xc5 ♖xc5 41. ♗c4 ♖c7 42. ♖a1 ♖f7 43. e3 dxe3 44. ♖xe3 ♖e6 45. ♖d4 ♖d5+ 46. ♖c3 ♖d7 47. d4 ♖b5 48. ♖a4 ♖c6 49. ♖a3 ♖d5 50. ♖d3 ♖d6 51. ♗xd6 ♖xd6 52. ♖c4 ♖b2 53. h4 1:0

Hernandez H(2000) -
VanBuskirk C
Greater Peoria Open (2) 03, , 1996

1. d4 d5 2. ♗f3 ♗f6 3. ♖f4 c5 4. c3 e6 5. e3 ♖c6 6. ♗bd2 ♖e7 7. ♖d3 ♗h5 8. ♖g3 g6 9. ♖e5 0-0 10. g4 ♗xe5 11. dxe5 ♗g7 12. h4 ♖b6 13. ♖c2 c4 14. ♖e2 f6 15. exf6 ♖xf6 16. 0-0-0 ♖d7 17. ♗xc4 dxc4 18. ♖xd7 ♖c5 19. ♖hd1 ♖af8 20. ♖e4 ♗e8 21. g5 ♖f5 22. ♖xb7 ♖a5 23. ♖xe6+ 1:0

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Mote D(2270) - Yavari P
Greater Peoria Open (2) 02, , 1996

1. e4 g6 2. d4 ♖g7 3. e4 d6 4. ♗c3 ♗f6 5. f3 0-0 6. ♖e3 c6 7. ♖d2 ♖e8 8. g4 e5 9. 0-0-0 ♖c7 10. ♖b1 ♗bd7 11. ♗ge2 ♗f8 12. ♖h6 ♖h8 13. h4 ♗e6 14. d5 ♗d4 15. ♗xd4 exd4 16. ♗e2 c5 17. ♗f4 ♗d7 18. h5 ♗e5 19. hxg6 fxg6 20. ♖h3 b5 21. cxb5 a6 22. ♖c1 ♖d7 23. ♗e6 ♖xe6 24. dxe6 ♖a7 25. ♖xa6 ♖eb8 26. f4 d3 27. fxg5 c4 28. ♖xc4 ♖g1 29. ♖xd3 ♖xe5 30. ♖c1 ♖f8 31. ♖f3 ♖xf3 32. ♖xf3 ♖f8 33. ♖b3 ♖h8 34. e7 ♖e8 35. ♖f3 ♖g7 36. ♖c2 ♖d4 37. ♖f4 1:0

VanBuskirk D(2239) - Bourgerie D
Greater Peoria Open (1) 03, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♗f3 d6 3. ♖c4 e6 4. ♖e2 a6 5. a4 ♗c6 6. c3 ♗f6 7. ♖b3 ♖b6 8. ♖c2 ♖e7 9. 0-0 0-0 10. ♗a3 ♖c7 11. d4 b6 12. e5 dxe5 13. dxe5 ♗e8 14. ♗c4 f6 15. exf6 ♖xf6 16. ♗g5 ♖xg5 17. ♖xg5 ♗f6 18. ♖h4 ♗d5 19. ♖g3 ♗f4 ♣[Black appears to have stifled White's powerful bishop by interposing his knight on a very active square, but is now done in by a tactical miscalculation.] 20. ♖e4! [First, add another attacker against the ♗f4 with tempo.] 20... g6 21. ♗xb6 [Second, demonstrate that the black queen is overloaded and cannot defend both the b6 and ♗f4 at the same time.] 21... ♖b8 22. ♗xc8 ♖bxc8 23. ♖xf4 ♖xf4 24. ♖xe6+ ♖g7 25. ♖ad1 ♖f7 26. ♖d6 ♖e7 [Yet another tactical miscalculation with the same theme as the first! Can you see at this point how the black queen may again be shown to be overburdened?] 27. ♖f6+ ♖h6 28. ♖xc6! ♖xc6 29. ♖h4+ ♖g7 30. ♖xc7+ ♖g8 31. ♖e4 1:0

Naff B(2142) - Szpisjak S
Greater Peoria Open (2) 01, , 1996

1. e4 c5 2. ♗f3 d6 3. ♖c4 ♗f6 4. ♖e2 ♗c6 5. c3 a6 6. a4 g6 7. 0-0 ♖g7 8. ♖b3 0-0 9. d3 e5 10. ♖g5 h6 11. ♖e3 ♖e7 12. h3 ♖e6 13. ♖xe6 ♖xe6 14. ♗h2 b5 15. axb5 axb5 16. ♗d2 ♗h5 17. ♖g4 ♗f4 18. ♖xf4 ♖xg4 19. hxg4 exf4 20. ♗hf3 b4 21. ♖xa8 ♖xa8 22. ♗c4 ♖a2 23. ♖c1 ♗e5 24. ♗fxe5 ♖xe5 25. ♖f1 ♖g7 26. ♗xe5 dxe5 27. ♖c2 b3 28. ♖d2 ♖f6 29. ♖e2 ♖a1 30. ♖f3 ♖c1 31. ♖e2 ♖g5 32. f3 ♖h4 33. d4 exd4 34. cxd4 exd4 35. ♖d3 ♖g3 36. ♖xd4 ♖c2 37. ♖d3 ♖xb2 38. ♖c3 ♖e2 0:1

Szpisjak S(2275) - Friske T
Greater Peoria Open (1) 01, , 1996

1. d4 ♗f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♗c3 d5 4. ♖f4 ♖g7 5. e3 c5 6. dxc5 ♖a5 7. ♖c1 ♗e4 8. cxd5 ♗xc3 9. ♖d2 ♖xc5 10. ♖xc3 ♗d7 11. c4 ♗b6 12. ♗f3 ♖d7 13. ♖e2 0-0 14. 0-0 ♖fd8 15. e4 e6 16. ♖e3 ♖xe3 17. ♖xe3 exd5 18. cxd5 ♖a4 19. ♖c7 ♖d7 20. ♖fc1 ♖ad8 21. ♖xd7 ♖xd7 22. ♖xb6 axb6 23. ♖c4 b5 24. ♖c8+ ♖f8 25. ♗d4 ♖g7 26. ♖xb5 ♖xb5 27. ♗xb5 ♖e7 28. ♖c7 ♖xc7 29. ♗xc7 g5 30. f3 ♖f6 31. d6 ♖d8 32. ♖f2 ♖e5 33. ♗b5 f5 34. ♖e3 ♖b6+ 35. ♖d3 fxe4+ 36. fxe4 h5 37. h3 h4 38. ♗a3 ♖d8 39. ♗c4+ ♖e6 40. e5 b5 41. ♗a3 ♖xe5 42. ♗xb5 ♖d5 43. a4 ♖b6 44. ♖e2 ♖e6 45. ♖f3 ♖f5 46. ♗a3 ♖d8 47. ♗c4 1:0

Hernandez H(2000) - Szpisjak S
Greater Peoria Open (4) 01, , 1996

1. d4 ♟f6 2. ♟f3 e6 3. ♟f4 b6 4. e3
♟d6 5. ♟xd6 cxd6 6. c4 d5 7. ♟c3
♟b7 8. ♞c1 0-0 9. ♟d3 dxc4 10.
♟xc4 d6 11. 0-0 ♟bd7 12. ♞e2 a6
13. e4 b5 14. ♟d3 b4 15. ♟d1 ♞a5
16. b3 ♞fc8 17. ♟e3 ♟xe4 18. ♟xe4
♟xe4 19. ♟c4 ♞d5 20. ♟e3 ♞b7
21. ♟c4 d5 22. ♟e3 ♞c3 23. ♞xc3
bxc3 24. ♟c2 ♞b5 25. ♞e3 a5 26.
♞d1 a4 27. b4 ♞c4 28. a3 ♞b3 29.
♞d3 ♟b6 30. ♟fe1 ♟c4 31. ♞a1
♟ed2 32. ♞e2 ♟b1 33. ♟d3
♟bxa3 34. ♟xa3 ♟xa3 35. ♞a2
♞xa2 36. ♞xa2 ♟b5 37. ♞c2 ♟xd4
0:1

Vero G(1880) - VanBuskirk D
Greater Peoria Open (3) 03, , 1995

1. d4 e6 2. c4 f5 3. ♟c3 ♟b4 4. ♟f3
♟f6 5. a3 ♟xc3+ 6. bxc3 d6 7. e3
0-0 8. ♟d3 ♞e7 9. 0-0 e5 10. dxe5
dxe5 11. ♟e2 b6 12. ♞c2 ♟e4 13.
a4 a5 14. ♞b1 ♟c5 15. ♟a3 ♟bd7
16. ♟e1 ♟b7 17. ♟f3 e4 18. ♟e2
♟c6 19. g3 ♟e5 20. ♟g2 ♟f3+ 21.
♟h1 ♞f6 22. ♟f4 ♞h6 23. ♟xf3
exf3 24. ♞xf5 ♟e4 25. ♟d5 ♞e8
26. ♞f4 ♟xb1 27. ♞xh6 ♟d3
28. ♞h3 ♟e4 29. ♞f5 ♟xf1 30.
♞xf3 ♟g5 31. ♞g4 ♞e4+ 32. ♞xe4
♟xc4 33. ♟g1 ♟xc4 34. ♟xc7 ♞d8
35. ♟g2 ♞d7 36. ♟b5 ♞d2 37. ♟f3
♟d5 38. h4 ♞xf2+ 39. ♟g4 ♟e6+
40. ♟h5 ♟f6+ 41. ♟g5 ♞f5# 0:1

Friske T(1927) - Sax R
Greater Peoria Open (4) 04, , 1995

1. e4 e5 2. ♟f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4.
♟xd4 ♟f6 5. ♟c3 g6 6. ♟e3 ♟g7
7. f3 0-0 8. ♞d2 ♟c6 9. 0-0-0 ♟xd4
10. ♟xd4 ♟e6 11. g4 ♞c8 12. ♟b1
a6 13. h4 h5 14. gxh5 ♟xh5 15.
♟xg7 ♟xg7 16. f4 ♟g3 17. ♞g1
♟xf1 18. ♞dxfl ♞a5 19. ♞f2 b5 20.
f5 b4 21. ♟d5 ♟xd5 22. exd5 ♞c5
23. fxg6 f6 24. ♞e3 ♞c7 25. h5 ♞d7
26. h6+ ♟g8 27. g7 ♞fc8 28. h7+
♟xh7 29. ♞h2+ ♟g8 30. ♞e6+
1:0

THE READER'S SHOWCASE

Dave Taylor -
M Chess Pro Computer
5 Minuter Per Move, , 1996

1. e4 e5 2. ♟f3 ♟c6 3. e3 [Largely
inactive now, those of you unfamiliar
with Dave Taylor should be aware
that he won the 7th United States
Correspondence Chess Championship
and has successfully pioneered the use
of many openings previously frowned
upon by theory. The notes are
extracted from Dave's first book -
AW] 3... ♟f6 [My experience has
demonstrated that this line is the most
frequently played.] 4. d4



4... ♟xe4 [And, in the 3... ♟f6 lines
this is the most used continuation.] 5.
d5 [White achieves nothing with
5.dxc5 d5] 5... ♟e7 6. ♟xe5 ♟g6

[Hoping for an exchange of knights
on g6 when Black will gain activity
on the h-file in exchange for his
doubled pawns. If instead 6...d6?
7. ♞a4+ +, 6...c6 7. ♞f3 f5 (7... ♟f6?
8.d6 ♟ed5 9. ♟c4 +, or 7... ♟d6
8.dxc6 dxc6 9. ♟d3 ♟e6 10. ♟d2
Edwards) 8



7. ♞d4! [7. ♟d3 ♟xc5 8. ♟xe4 ♟c5
9. ♞h5 (9. 0-0 d6 10. ♞c2 ♞h4 11.
♟d2 f5 12. ♟d3 0-0 13. ♟e2 f4 14.
♟f3 ♟xf3+ 15. ♟xf3 ♟f5) 9... d6
10. ♟g5?! ♟g4! 11. ♞h4 f6 12. ♟c1
♞c7 13. 0-0 g5! 14. ♞g3 f5 15.
♟xf5!? ♟xf5 16. ♟xg5 ♞f7 17.
♟d2 ♞g8 18. ♞ae1 h6 19. ♞xe5+
dxe5 20. ♞xe5+ ♟d7 21. ♟c3 ♞ae8
22. ♞f4 ♞xd5 23. ♟f3 ♟d6 24.
♞a4+ b5] 7... ♞f6 8. ♞xe4 ♞xe5 9.
♞xe5+ ♟xe5 10. ♟d2 d6 11. ♟c4
♟xc4 12. ♟xc4 [This is a deceptive
position. Many commentators have
concluded that the position is equal

despite White's significant queenside space advantage. The following games and comments will demonstrate the correct strategy by which White has every reason to play this line.] 12... ♖e7 [Estrin and Glazkov end their analysis here, suggesting that the position is equal.] 13. 0-0 0-0



14. ♖e3! ♖ [14. ♖e1 ♖f6 15. a4 a6 16. a5 ♖d7 17. ♖e3 ♖ae8 18. f3 ♖e7 19. ♖f2 ♖fe8 20. ♖a7 ♖e5 21. g3 g5 22. ♖c2 f5 23. ♖ae1 ♖f7 24. ♖d3 ♖b5 25. ♖xb5 axb5 26. ♖e3 ♖f6 27. ♖d4! ♖e5 28. b3 ♖f6 29. f4 gxf4 30. gxf4 ♖xd4+ 31. cxd4 ♖xe2+ 32. ♖xe2 ♖c4? 33. ♖xe4 fxe4 34. ♖e3 ♖f5 35. b4 h5 36. h4 ♖g4 37. ♖xe4 ♖xh4 38. ♖f3] 14... ♖f5 15. a4 [The first part of the plan is to force Black to play a6. 15... a5 would be too weakening and Black cannot permit a6.] 15... ♖f6 16. a5 a6 [White will now aim to trade off the dark-squared bishops and place his king on d4.] 17. ♖fe1 ♖ae8 18. f3 ♖e7 19. ♖f2 h6 20. ♖c2 ♖fe8 21. ♖ae1 ♖h4+ [The computer does not understand the strength of White's long-term plan.] 22. g3 ♖f6 23. ♖a7 [With the idea of trading off the rooks.] 23... ♖xe2+ 24. ♖xe2 ♖f8 25. ♖xe8+ ♖xe8 26. ♖e3 ♖e7 27. ♖d4 ♖xd4+



28. ♖xd4 ♖ [White will now aim to play b4 and then c4,b5.] 28... ♖c2 29.

b4 ♖f6 30. ♖e2 g5 31. c4 ♖g6 32. b5 [Once this move has been played, Black must not capture and allow White to obtain an outside passed pawn. Black must therefore wait for White to play axb6, leaving a weak pawn on a6.] 32... ♖f5 33. bxa6 bxa6 34. c5 ♖e8 35. c6 ♖g7 36. ♖d3 ♖f6 37. f4 gxf4 38. gxf4 ♖e7 39. ♖e4 ♖d8 40. ♖f3 ♖e7 41. ♖g3 ♖e8 42. ♖h4 ♖f8 43. ♖h5 ♖g7 44. f5 f6 45. ♖e2 ♖h7 46. ♖g4 ♖g7 47. ♖f4 ♖f7 48. ♖h5+ ♖e7 49. ♖g6 ♖f8 50. ♖g4 ♖g7 51. ♖h5 ♖g8 52. ♖xh6 ♖f8 53. ♖h7 [This game isn't exactly the caliber of Kasparov-Deep Blue, but it's still reassuring to know that these silicon beasts are imperfect.] 1:0

Jim McNamara (1870) -
Chris Baumgartner
Tuley Park Game/20, , 1996

1. e4 c5 [This game was personally submitted to the Games Editor by an ebullient Chris just minutes after it had been completed. While he should be proud of playing such a nice game against an ever dangerous opponent, I think both players will be surprised at the opportunity.] 2. ♖c3 ♖c6 3. f4 e6 4. ♖f3 d5



5. exd5? [The root of White's future difficulties stems from this innocuous move. Jim first frees Black's ♖c8 from it's tporary imprisonment and then with 6.d4? weakens a multitude of squares in his own position. Better was 5.♖b5] 5... exd5 6. d4 ♖f6 7. ♖b5 ♖g4



8. 0-0 [8. dxc5 ♖xc5 9. ♖e2+ ♖e7 10. 0-0 0-0 11. ♖e3=] 8... cxd4 9. ♖xd4 ♖e7 10. ♖e5 ♖d7



11. ♖xc6?! [Exchanging the wrong piece! White's powerful knight on e5 was far superior to the light-squared bishop and should have been maintained as long as possible with 11.♖xc6 bxc6.] 11... bxc6 12. ♖e2 [White's ill-conceived strategy beginning with move five has left him behind in development and with no secure footholds in the center for his pieces... bad business. Watch the rapidity with which Black utilizes these factors to force White into a passive position.] 12... 0-0 13. ♖f3 ♖a5 14. ♖h1 ♖c5 15. ♖e5 ♖fe8 16. ♖g5 ♖ab8 17. ♖b1



17... ♖a6! ♖ [Chris has correctly ascertained that White's pieces cooperate poorly and now puts his finger on the most sensitive point.] 18. ♖d2 [18. ♖d1 h6 19. ♖g3 ♖f5?] 18... h6 19. ♖h4 d4! [Not

bad, but not best! More incisive was 19... ♖xb2! ripping White's position to shreds and further highlighting his developmental problems.] 20. ♖e2 ♗xe2 21. ♗xe2 ♗xe2 22. ♗a5



22... ♗g4?! [Chris, you've got to develop a killer instinct! Once an opponent is against the ropes he should be put away as rapidly as possible. Here, after the continuation 22... ♖xb2! (Missing the same tactic as on move 19!) the referee could have begun the ten count!] 23. ♗e1 ♗e8 24. ♗d2?? [24. ♗g3 ♗xg3 25. hxg3 ♗e2 26. ♗bc1 ♗f5+] 24... ♗e2 25. ♗xe2 ♗xe2 26. ♗c7 ♗h3 27. gxh3 ♗e4+ 28. ♖g1 d3+ 29. ♗f2 ♗e2 30. ♗f1 ♖e4 31. b4 ♗xf2+ 0:1

Ulitch D(2015) - Alsberry M
Peoria Tornado, 1996

1. e4 [Except as noted, notes are by Ulitch.] e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♖d2 dxe4 4. ♖xe4 ♖f6 5. ♗g5 ♗e7



6. ♖xf6+ [White normally prefers to maintain his powerful knight on e4 even at the expense of ceding the bishop pair. After 6. ♗xf6 ♗xf6 7. ♖f3 0-0 8. ♗d2 b6 9. 0-0-0 is to be

preferred. ALW] 6... ♗xf6 7. ♗xf6 ♗xf6 8. ♖f3 ♗d7 [8... 0-0 9. c3 ♖d7 10. ♗c2 c5] 9. ♗e2 ♖c6 10. 0-0 0-0-0 11. c3 g5



12. ♗d2 [Black could have prevented much of the trouble that is coming by playing the other rook to g8.] 12... ♗d8 13. ♗ad1 h5 14. ♖e5 ♖xe5 15. dxe5 ♗e7 16. ♗d4 c5 17. ♗e4 ♗c6 18. b4 g4 19. ♗d6



19... cxb4 = 20. ♗c5 [I showed this to some friends and they chided me for not playing the intuitive sacrifice 20. ♗xc6+!? (Ever notice how your friends love to give you pieces away!?) After 20... bxc6 21. ♗xc6+ ♗c7 22. ♗a6+ ♖b8 3. ♗a4 ♗c5 24. ♗b1 ♖c7 25. ♗b4 ♗b8 I don't 20... ♗c7 [My friends again offered a suggestion, but after 21. ♗xa7 ♗xg5 22. ♗a8+ ♗b8 23. ♗c6+ bxc6 24. ♗xc6+ ♗c7 (Not 24... ♖d8 25. ♗d1+ ♖e7 26. ♗c5+ ♖e8 27. ♗b5+) 25. ♗a6+ ♖b8 what does white do now? Better to open the c-file.] 21. cxb4 ♗b6!?! [Tempting white to go for mere doubled pawns. While the double pin of the ♗c6 eventually proves troublesome, black is to be commended for finding counterplay in a difficult position.]



22. ♗c3! [Maintaining the pin, eyeing both e5 and a1, and providing for necessary defense along the 3rd rank.] 22... g3 23. hxg3 h4 24. g4 [It's easy to see ghosts here. My intended 4.b5 ♗xg3 5. ♗c2 ♗xg2+ 26. ♖h1 ♗xf2 7. ♗xc6 bxc6 8. ♗xf2 ♗xf2 9. ♗xc6+ ♖d8 doesn't look like it wins anymore, although 27. bxc6 ♗xf1+ 28. ♗xf1 ♗b8 29. bxc6 ♗b7 (9... ♖e3 30. ♗d7) 30. ♗g2 is unclear.] 24... h3 25. gxh3 ♖h8 26. a4 [26. b5 ♗xb5 27. ♗xb5 ♗xg4+! 28. ♗g3 (28. ♖h2 ♗g2+ 29. ♖h1 ♗g3+)]

28... ♗xg3+ 29. fxg3 ♗xb5 30. ♗xf7] 26... a6



27. ♗b1 [27. b5 is similar to the previous note except that 27... axb5 28. axb5 ♗xb5 29. ♗xb5 ♗xg4+ 30. ♗g3 ♗xg3+ 31. fxg3 ♗xb5 32. ♗xf7 ♗xh3 33. ♖g2 ♗h5 34. ♗xe6 ♗c4 35. ♗c8+ ♖a7 36. ♗f4 ♗d5 37. ♖f2] 27... ♗a7 28. b5 axb5 29. axb5 ♗d5 30. b6 [30... ♗a4 still allows 31. ♗a1 ♗xg4+ 32. ♗xg4 ♗xg4+! 33. ♗g3 where the fortunate b6 pawn stops 33... ♗xg3. However, what about 33... ♗e4? Then 34. ♗a8+ ♖xa8 35. ♗a3+ ♖b8 36. ♗a7 is mating.] 30... ♗a2 31. ♗a1 ♗c8 32. ♗xc8+! [32. ♗c1 ♗xh3 33. ♗xd5 ♗xd5 34. ♗a8+ ♖xa8 35. ♗a1+] 32... ♖xc8 33. ♗xa2 ♗xa2 34. ♖g2

♖d8 [I don't know what else to suggest for black here, otherwise the advance of white's kingside pawns is hard to meet.] 35. ♖xd8+ ♗xd8 36. ♗g3 ♗d7 37. ♖b5+ ♗e7



38. g5 [38. ♖c6!] 38... ♖h1 39. ♗f4 ♖f5 40. h4 ♖g6 41. ♖e2 ♗d7 42. ♖f3 ♗c8 43. h5 ♖h7 44. ♖e4 1:0

Getz B(1677) - Yee G
US Junior High Championship,
Orlando FL, 1996

1. d4 g6 2. e4 ♖g7 3. ♗f3 d6 4. c4 ♖g4 5. ♖e2 ♗c6 6. ♖e3 e5 7. d5 ♗ce7



8. ♗g5?! [It's not a bad idea for white to exchange his bad bishop for black's good one, but more reasonable was 8. ♗d2 preparing the jump to c4 after a thematic c4-c5.] 8... ♖d7 9. b4 [Rapid development should preface this pawn storm so White may better react to the myriad of possibilities. Preferred was therefore 9. ♗c3 h6 10. ♗f3 f5 11. c4 though black has good play due to white's loss of time with his king's knight.] 9... h6 10. ♗f3 a5 11. bxa5 ♖xa5 12. c5 f5 13. ♗d2 ♖a8 14. cxd6 cxd6 15. ♗b4 ♖ 15... fxe4 16. ♗fd2



16... ♗c7 [16 ... ♗xd5 17. ♗xd6 ♗ge7 18. ♗xe4 ♗xe3 19. fxe3 0-0] 17. ♗c3 ♗f6 18. ♗dx4 ♗xe4 19. ♗xe4 0-0 20. ♗xd6 ♗xd6 21. ♗xd6 ♗xd5



22. ♖c4 ± [The game has subtly changed fortunes, and it is now white who sports a slight edge with his more active pieces.] 22... ♖e6 23. ♗xb7 ♗f4 24. ♖xe6+ ♗xe6 25. ♗d6 ♗f4 26. 0-0 e4 27. ♖ad1 ♗e2+ 28. ♗h1 ♗c3 29. ♖d2 ♖a4 30. ♖c5 ♖b8 31. a3 ♗b1 32. ♖e2 ♗xa3 33. ♗xe4 ♖ba8 34. h3 ♖8a5 35. ♖d6 ♗b5 36. ♖g3 ♗d4 37. ♖d2 ♗f5 38. ♖d8+ ♗h7 39. ♖e8 ♗xg3+



40. fxe4? [Capturing with the ♗e4 retained slight winning chances whereas the voluntary deformation of white's pawn structure has rendered them nil.] 40... ♖e5 41. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 42. ♖e1 ♖a1 1/2:1/2

Upcoming Chicago Chess Club Events:

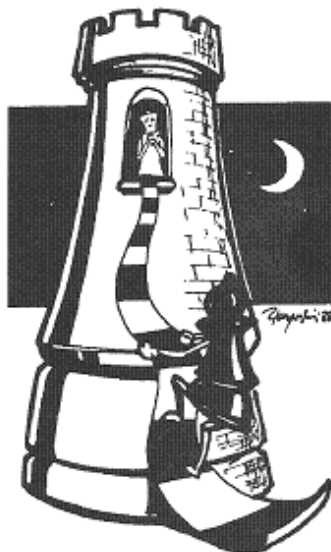
Jul 20-21, Chicago CC Summer Open.

Jul 28, Sunday High Noon Quads.

Aug 10, Saturday High Noon Plus-Score.

Aug 11, Sunday High Noon Plus-Score Quick.

(See the Tournament Calendar for more details.)



Games and Coverage of the Chicago Industrial Chess League

D35/14

Williams T - Hill R
CASE - Argonne Knights, 1996

(Notes by Williams)

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♜f6 4. cxd5
exd5 5. ♗g5 ♗e7 6. e3 0-0 7. ♗d3
h6 8. ♗h4 c6 9. ♜f3 ♗e6!?
Different but not necessarily bad.
10. ♖c2 ♜bd7 11. h3 ♗e8 12. 0-0 a6
13. a3



13... ♗e8 14. b4 White is moving
much too slow with his minority
attack. 14... b5 15. ♗fb1? And now
White is taking off in the wrong
direction. This move is just plain bad.
15... a5 16. ♗g3 a4 17. ♗c1 ♜b6 18.
♗e5!! Either that or a ??, hard to say.
During the game I realized that
something had really gone wrong and
I tried to come up with something to
stop what might turn into a slow
death. White's idea is to use black's
own expansion against him - trade
both bishops for the black knights and
then creep through the holes in the
pawn structure. I went over this game
with Al Chow and he was stunned
when I presented this idea. Good or
bad, you tell me!

Tuley Park Quick Chess!

Look in the Tournament Calendar for all the
details.



18... ♜c4 19. ♗xf6 Normally, white
will play e4 and undermine the knight
on c4, etc, but I'm taking my own
path. 19... ♗xf6 20. ♗xc4 dxc4



21. ♜e4 Is the bishop pair really
better here? 21... ♗d5 22. ♜xf6+
♖xf6 23. ♖e2 Closed pawn structure,
bad bishop. The white knight can't be
too bad. 23... ♗e6? Black should chop
off the knight without thinking. I gave
the move a ? more because black
declines the trade repeatedly during
the game, as opposed to it being a
full-fledged blunder now.



24. ♜e5 ♖h4 25. ♖g4 ♖xg4 26.
hxg4 Taking with the knight is pretty
ugly. 26... g5 27. ♗e1 ♗e7 28. ♜f3
♜g7 29. ♗ac1 f6 30. ♜d2 That's it! I
had to reposition my rooks but I'm not
going to let the knight sit in front of

the bishop any more. The knight is
heading for c3 where it blockades the
c4-pawn (Hail Nimzowitsch!) and
supports the push e4. Black seems to
overestimate his position now. 30...
♗ce8 31. ♗c3 ♖g6 32. f3 ♗h7 33.
♖f2 h5 34. gxh5+ ♗xh5 35. ♜b1 f5
36. ♗cc1 ♗eh8



37. ♜c3 Black controls the h-file! But
so what? There's no entry point so
the black rooks look impressive but are
actually passive. Meanwhile, white is
ready to continue plans for the e4
push. 37... ♗e6 38. ♗cd1! White is
about ready for a central pawn push.
Hmm... Nimzo would be proud of
white in this position. A blocking
knight, counter-thrust in the center in
response to a premature flank action.
Break out those copies of My System
and Chess Praxis. 38... g4 39. fxg4
fxg4 40. e4 g3+!?



You wouldn't think black could play
this, but yes, he can! [41. ♖xg3?
♗g5+ 42. ♖f2 ♗f8+ 43. ♖e3 ♗g3+
44. ♖d2 ♗f2+] 41. ♖e3... ♗g4 42.
♜e2 White is on the edge of having
his flag fall. The remaining moves to
the time control were blitzed out. Play
them real fast and it's just like being

there! 42... ♖f8?? Black played faster than he needed to. I'm sure he thought the knight was pinned.



43. ♖f4+! ♖g5 44. ♖xh5 ♖xd1 45. ♖xg3! ♖g4 46. e5 ♖e6 47. ♖e4+ Heading back to the queenside.



47... ♖g4 48. ♖c3 ♖g3 49. ♖e2 ♖f1 50. d5! cxd5 I really liked this move. It seemed the best way to make progress.



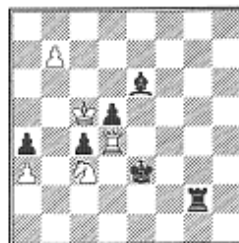
50... cxd5 51. ♖xb5 ♖d1



52. ♖d2 Black was threatening mate! 52... ♖e1+ 53. ♖d4 ♖e4+ 54. ♖c5 ♖xe5 55. ♖c3



55... ♖f4 Black is tied up in knots. The rest is a matter of technique. 56. ♖d4+ ♖e3 57. b5 ♖g5 58. b6 ♖xg2 59. b7



59... ♖g8 [59 ... ♖b2?? 60. ♖d1+] 60. ♖d1+ ♖e2 61. ♖c6 c3 62. ♖xc3+ ♖e3 63. ♖xa4 d4 64. ♖a8 ♖b8 65. ♖xb8 dxc3



66. ♖h8 Black has one last swindle to be dealt with. Believe it or not, white is once again running out of time. 66... c2 67. ♖h1 ♖g4 68. ♖c1 That takes care of any drawing chances. The rest is to see whether or not white can make the time control at move 75. 68. ♖f3+ 69. ♖c7 ♖d2 70. ♖xc2+ ♖xc2 71. b8=♖ ♖c3 72. ♖d6 ♖e4 73. ♖b4+ ♖d3 74. ♖b3+ ♖d4 75. a4 White reaches the time control. 1:0

C05/12

Dobrovolny C - Morrison J
Lucent Royals v Argonne Rooks,
1996

(Notes by Dobrovolny)

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♖d2 ♖f6 4. e5 ♖fd7 5. ♖g3 e5 6. c3 ♖c6 7. ♖d3 e4? This push is only good when white has played a3 and left a hole at b3. Black has given up his tension in the center for nothing. Black's next two pawn moves are too time-consuming. And they deprive black of the possibilities offered by 7... ♖b6. In addition, relaxing the tension allows white to continue his development without a threat to his pawn chain.



8. ♖c2 b5 9. 0-0 b4 10. ♖e1 It's nice to get this move in before black has challenged white's e-pawn with ... f6. 10... ♖e7 11. ♖f1 ♖b6 Not bad if black has no intention of castling and instead using the king-side pawns as weapons. But it seemed as if black wanted to castle, but was perturbed by white's eleventh move. 12. ♖g3 g6? 12... h5 looks like it fends off white's knight while preparing h4-h5. The text just creates a hole and a great home for white's dark-squared bishop. (As a long-time French player I can tell you that when moves like this are played, black is in for some real trouble. -Ed.) 13. ♖h6 13... ♖f8 14. ♖d2 ♖e7? Giving me something to chase while leaving black's bishop in his own way. 15. ♖g5 ♖c7 16. ♖f6 ♖g8 17. ♖g5 ♖h6? This should have been black's last mistake, but my desire to launch a king-side attack blinded me to the simple 18.Nxe6. [18. ♖xe6! fxe6 (18 ... ♖xd2 19.

♖xc7+ ♜d7 20. ♜xa8 ♙xc1 21.
♜xb6+ axb6 22. ♚xe1) 19. ♜xb6]



18. ♜f4? ♜d7? 19. ♜h4? ♙xg5 20.
♜xg5 The first pin. ♜xf6



21. exf6! Establishing the second pin.
White can develop his knight to f5
unmolested, or play 22.Qxd5. [21 ...
♜a5 22. ♜f5 bxc3 23. bxc3 ♜xc3
24. ♙a4 ♙d7 25. ♜d6+] 21... ♜d6

22. ♜f5 ♜d8 23. ♙a4 The decisive
third pin. Black must now lose the
exchange. 23... ♜d7



24. ♙xc6+ I felt by capturing this
way, I could tempt black to try to
protect the hanging b-pawn and lure
him further into the open. 24... ♜xc6
25. ♜e7+ ♜b5 26. ♜xg8 ♜xg8 27.
And black resigned a few moves later
having used all but two minutes of the
first time control. 29. b3 ♜d8 30.
bxc4+ ♜c6 31. cxd5+ ♜d7 32.
dxe6+ fxe6 1:0

1996 U.S. Open

Aug 4-16, Alexandria, VA

B09/10
Stoltz R - Tegel F
CICL Match Game, , 1996

1. e4 d6 2. d4 ♜f6 3. ♜c3 g6 4. f4
♙g7 5. ♜f3 0-0 6. ♙c4 c6 7. a3 d5
8. exd5 cxd5 9. ♙d3 ♙g4 10. h3
♜xf3 11. ♜xf3 ♜c6 12. ♜e2 a6 13.
c3 b5 14. 0-0 ♜b6 15. ♙c3 ♜a5 16.
♚ae1 ♜c4 17. ♙c1 e6 18. ♜h1
♚fc8 19. ♜g3 a5 20. f5 exf5 21.
♜xf5 gxf5 22. ♜xf5 ♜d6 23. ♜f3
♜de4 24. g4 h6 25. ♚g1 ♚e8 26.
♚ef1 ♜g5 27. ♜g2 ♜fe4 28. ♚f5
♜b7 29. ♚gf1 f6 30. h4 ♜h7 31.
♜f3 ♚e7 32. ♜g2 ♚ac8 33. ♚h5
♚f8 34. ♜f5 ♜d7 35. ♜g6 ♜h8 36.
♚ff5 ♚g8 37. ♚xd5 ♜e6 38. ♜f5
♙f8 39. ♜xe6 ♚xe6 40. ♜f3 ♜d6
41. ♙xb5 ♚e1 42. ♙d2 ♚g1 43.
♙d7 ♚b1 44. ♙e6 ♚g6 45. ♚xa5
♚xb2 46. ♙f4 ♚c2 47. ♚ac5 f5 48.
♙e5+ ♙g7 49. ♙xd6 fxg4+ 50.
♙xg4 ♚xd6 51. ♚c8+ ♙f8 52. a4
♜g7 53. ♚c7+ ♜g6 54. ♚e5 ♚f6+
55. ♜e3 ♙d6 56. h5# 1:0

CICL Championship

Motorola won the 1996 championship of the Chicago Industrial Chess League with a 3-0-0 score in the May 19 playoffs. UOP, with a 2-1-0 playoff record, finished second on tie breaks over third-place Case, which also finished 2-1-0. This also marked the end of a perfect season for Motorola as they also won all of their regular season division matches. The Chicago Industrial Chess League champion is determined annually by a three-round Swiss-system tournament among the top two teams in each of the league's four divisions. Division champions are seeded into the top four tournament positions, according to their regular season records. The second-place finishers in each division are seeded into spots 5-8, also according to their regular season records. This season marked twenty-nine successive years of team match chess competition. The best games from this year's championship will be presented next issue.

FINAL STANDINGS OF THE CICL 1996 CHAMPIONSHIP

TEAM NAME	W L D	GAME POINTS	MATCH POINTS	PCT
MOTOROLA	3 0 0	13.0	3.0	1.000
UOP PROCESS DIV.	2 1 0	9.5	2.0	0.667
CASE	2 1 0	9.5	2.0	0.667
ARGONNE ROOKS	2 1 0	8.0	2.0	0.667
LUCENT TECH. ROYALS	1 2 0	9.5	1.0	0.333
ARGONNE KNIGHTS	1 2 0	8.5	1.0	0.333
ALUMNI CENTRAL	1 2 0	7.5	1.0	0.333
BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS	0 3 0	4.5	0.0	0.000

SCHOLASTIC NEWS

by Ken Lewandowski

The results of the many elections have finally been tabulated. The officers for the ICCA for the coming year are as follows:

President: Mike Zacate
Secretary/Treasurer: Mike Mayfield
Downstate Rep: Kent Hieronymus

There were many qualified nominations this year and thanks go to Mike Mayfield for preparing the forms and tabulating the results. Even though these are the same officers as last year, the increase in nominations reflects a growing interest in the organization and bodes well for the future leadership for High School Chess.

The elected officers met briefly via telephone, approved the request that I (Ken Lewandowski) continue as ICA Editor, and that Jim Boyer continue coordinating the tournament schedule.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Don Deakin from Bloom Trail was voted Coach of the Year by the ICCA coaches. Don has coached for 9 years. His teams have won their division in the SICA conference 6 of the last 7 years and they have many top 10 finishes at the IHSA State Team Tournament. Don has been active in promoting chess by offering tournaments as well. His fall action tournament has become a staple for

many schools. This year several other sponsors had to pull out of their tournaments. Don willingly stepped in and picked up two additional. Bloom Trail served as hosts for the ICCA Frosh/Soph State Team Tournament in February and the ICCA Individual Championship in April. This is the third year for this award and the first year the ICCA has taken it over formally.

ICCA All STATE CHESS TEAM

This is also the first year the ICCA has formally sought to identify the All State Chess Team. Both of these awards were informally started by Paul Mills (Moline). Each coach nominated 8 players for the ballot. The Ballots were distributed via mail and collected at the Individual Tournament and tabulated by Mike Mayfield. This year's Honors, in alphabetical order, go to:

Scott Adamson	TF South	Joe Reisinger	Oak Park
Tony Brown	Downers South	Pierre Roustan	Maine South
Joe Emole	Bloom Trail	Justin Sadauskas	West Chicago
Kevin Forbes	Thornwood	Miguel Santana	Evanston
Kim Goodwin	Uni High		

There was a tie for the last place so duplicate awards are being sent. Both of these awards will be on the agenda at the fall coaches meeting. If you have opinions about how to determine the winners, please jot down your notes and bring them in October or send them to one of the officers.

Denker Tournament Qualifier

Player/School	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1 Miguel Santana, Evanston	1927	X	1	1	1	0.5	1	4.5
2 Justin Sadouskas, W. Chicago	1862	0	X	0.5	0.5	0	1	2
3 Robert Coatney, Macomb	1713	0	0.5	X	0.5	1	1	3
4 Kevin Brewer, W. Chicago	1655	0	0.5	0.5	X	1	1	3
5 Charlie Wolfe, Jefferson	1594	0.5	1	0	0	X	1	2.5
6 Matt Thomas, Evanston	1525	0	0	0	0	0	X	0

Six of the top high school players in Illinois met for the honor of representing Illinois at the Denker Tournament later this summer. All players with a rating over 1500 were invited to this qualifying tournament and a special invitation went to the winner of the ICCA Individual Championship. These six young players faced each other for 3 rounds on Saturday (G/90) and returned to complete the round robin on Sunday (G/120). TD Richard Verber kept an eye on the proceedings and was impressed by many of the games.

The winner of this tournament receives transportation and lodging support (courtesy of the ICA, the USCF, Helen Warren and Fred Gruenberg) to attend the Denker Tournament held during the US Open. This year, Miguel Santana will be traveling to Alexandria, Virginia in August to represent Illinois. Brewer and Coatney tied for second and split a cash prize.

Miguel was a pleasant surprise for the Evanston Township High School team. He transferred here from the Boston area where he played individually. The chess club at the high school helped him make friends and to fit in during his transition year. Miguel led the Evanston High School team to a Third Place State Trophy and helped them win the North Suburban Chess League for the 7th time in the past 8 years. Many Evanston elementary players look to Miguel for tutoring and he has worked with his teammates to raise their quality of play.

This year's tournament roster also included 2 players from the IHSA Co-Champion West Chicago Team, Charlie Wolfe from past champion Jefferson (Rockford), Robert Coatney, another transfer to Illinois (the Alaskan Junior Champion) and Matt Thomas also from the Evanston team. Of these 6, only Wolfe and Coatney are seniors. The rest of the players look forward to improving their game and returning for another chance next season.

Jensen Scholastic Chess Tournament

Reported by Kevin L. Bachler

Three hundred and twenty chessplayers swarmed Whitney Young High School for the Jensen Scholastic Tournament, held March 16th. The tournament, sponsored by the Jensen Academy Chess Club and organized by Lester Goss, had most of its entries in the Junior High (6-8) division, which had over 200 players. Seven top team and top individual trophies were awarded in each section, with some additional book prizes in the event of ties. Grade prizes were also awarded. In this event, the top five individual scores from a school were added to determine the team score. The tournament was directed by Erv Sedlock, assisted by Jeff Wiewel.

Junior High (6-8) Section

The first place team in the junior high section was Michigan City Junior High, from Michigan City, Indiana, with 17.5 out of a possible 20 points. Taking second

place was Jensen Academy with 15.5 points, which narrowly edged Hadley Junior High with 15 points. Rounding out the top seven schools, each of whom received a trophy, were Gladstone of Chicago, 14.5; Westcott Elementary of Chicago, 13.0; Gresham Elementary of Chicago, 12.5; and Duke Ellington of Chicago with 12.0. Individually, eight players finished with perfect 4-0 scores, with Matthew Morgan of Michigan City taking first place on tie-breaks. Rounding out the top eight in tie-break order were Peter Stefanski of Hadley in Glen Ellyn; Jason Bergquist of Barker Middle School, Michigan City, Indiana; Ronald Neal of Westcott Elementary, in Chicago; Albert Buraage of Dyett in Chicago; Cary Krachinski of Barker Middle School; Lawrence Cooper of Gompers Fine Arts in Chicago, and Gary Martin of Michigan City Junior High. Several players tied for the sixth, the seventh, and the eighth grade prizes as well.

Elementary (4-5) Section

Fresh from winning the elementary state championship, the Franklin Elementary or Park Ridge team, composed of fourth graders and younger, dominated the section by taking 23 out of a possible 25 points. Finishing in second place was Martin Luther King Lab of Evanston with 15.5 points. Third place went to Inter American Magnet of Chicago, 13.5; and rounding out the top seven teams were: Westcott Elementary of Chicago, 12.5; Jensen Academy of Chicago, 10.5; Andrew Jackson, Chicago, 9.0 on tie-break over Gladstone of Chicago, also with 9.0. Individually, three Franklin players tied for first with perfect 5-0 scores. Taking first on tie-break was Robert Riddle, second was William Bielski, and third was Robert Rasmussen. Six players scored 4-1 to round out the remaining top spots. These players in order of tie-break were second grader William Ferguson of Franklin; Louis Keenan Ballo of Andrew Jackson in Chicago; Scott Hymen of Martin Luther King Lab in Evanston, Drew Hetherington of Patterson in Naperville, Mark Rokita of

Franklin, and John-Garett Piergalski of Franklin. Several players tied for grade prizes.

Primary (K-3) Section

Avoca West of Glenview took first place with a score of 17. Inter American Magnet took second place with a score of 13.0, while Newberry Academy finished third with a score of 12. Rounding out the top seven were Montessori of Peoria, 7; Cardenas of Chicago, 6; Rudy Lazano Library, 6; and Martin Luther King Lab, 4.0.

Individually, there was a two way tie for first place with perfect scores of 5-0. Taking first on tie-breaks was Seth Silesky over twin brother Jesse Silesky, both of Newberry Academy in Chicago. The remaining top seven all scored 4-1. They are: Jose Rodriguez of Rudy Lazano Library, Aidan Lucas of Martin Luther King Lab in Evanston, Kevin Hoobler of Avoca West in Glenview, Christian Nikopoulos of Montessori in Peoria, and Sandhya Sistlaof Avoca West in Glenview.

Lake Forest Scholastic Chess Tournament

Reported by Kevin L. Bachler

Two hundred and sixty-seven players attended the last Illinois scholastic chess tournament of the year at Deerpath Middle School in Lake Forest. The tournament was sponsored by the Deerpath Chess Club, and was organized by Mike Hayes. Seven top team and top individual trophies were awarded in each section. Grade prizes were also awarded. In this event, the top four individual scores from a school were added to determine the team score. The tournament was directed by Erv Sedlock, assisted by Jeff Wiewel.

Junior High (6-8) Section

Mac Arthur Junior High School of Hoffman Estates scored 13.5 out of a possible 16 points to take first place overall. Clear second was taken by Avery Coonley, of Downers Grove with 12.0 points. There was a very tight race from 3rd through 6th place, with only one point separating the four teams. Third place was taken by the Deerpath home team with 10.5 points on tie-break over Chute Middle School which took fourth. 5th place went to Benjamin in West Chicago, with 10.0 points, while Hadley Junior High took 6th place with 9.5 points. Finishing in 7th place was Marie Murphy Junior High of Wilmette with 8.5 points on tie-break over Old Orchard of Skokie.

Individually, Craig Cochran of Westfield in Bloomingdale took first place over Alan Rose of Mac Arthur on tie-break, both players finishing 4-0. Rounding out the top seven were Glenn Moore of Mac Arthur, Christopher Hayes of Deerpath, and Greg Haberer of Hadley, all with 3.5. Twelve players tied with a score of 3-1, with Matthew Mc Culley of Mac Arthur and Tyler Belding taking 6th and 7th places on tie-break. The other players were:

Place	Name	School
8	Alex Poltorok	Old Orchard, Skokie
9	Jeffrey Busca	Mac Arthur, Hoffman Estates
10	Jack Williams	Chute, Evanston
11	Thomas Zacharia	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove
12	Kartik Lamba	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove
13	Charles Rohlf	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove
14	Ryan Begy	Benjamin, West Chicago
15	Pablo Abad-Manterola	Deerpath, Lake Forest
16	Eugene Bukhman	Old Orchard, Skokie
17	Gregory Bobak	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove

Elementary (4-5) Section

Franklin Elementary of Park Ridge continued to warm-up for the national championships by taking 1st place with a score of 16.5 out of 20. Franklin's core group of 4th graders continued a streak of team first places, with this, their 10th win in a row. This streak dates back over a year, to when this group was third graders in the 1994-95 state championship, and includes one tournament at the junior high level where they managed a first place tie. There was a very close race for 2nd through 7th places, with only 1.5 points separating the six teams. Taking

clear second with 13.0 points was Avoca West of Glenview. Third place went to Mac Arthur of Hoffman Estates on tie-break over Deerpath of Evanston, each with 12.5 points. Fifth place went to Lincolnwood of Evanston, with 12 points. Walker Elementary of Skokie took 6th place over Avery Coonley of Downers Grove, each with 11.5 points. Individually, Jesse Wolfson of Martin Luther King in Evanston took 1st place on tie-break over William Bielski of Franklin, each with 4.5. Ten players scored 4-1. These were:

Place	Name	School
3	Alexander Grinfeld	Kildeer, Long Grove
4	Robert Rasmussen	Franklin, Park Ridge
5	John-Garett Piergalski	Franklin, Park Ridge
6	Mark Vildgorn	Prairie, Buffalo Grove
7	William Ferguson	Franklin, Park Ridge
8	Daniel Laurila	Deerpath, Lake Forest
9	Daniel Leung	Franklin, Park Ridge
10	Ian Kanig	Avoca West, Glenview
11	Robert Riddle	Franklin, Park Ridge
12	Daniel Haeger	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove

Primary (K-3) Section

Avoca West of Glenview took first with a score of 14.5 on tie-breaks over Avery Coonley of Downers Grove. Close behind was Dewey Elementary of Lake Forest with 14.0. Mac Arthur of Hoffman Estates took 4th on tie-break over Lincolnwood of Evanston, each with scores of 13.5. Deerpath of Lake Forest narrowly took 6th place

over Maplebrook Elementary, each with 12 points. Individually, Michael McNally of Franklin took first place by winning a blitz playoff match over Samuel Decker, each with scores of 5-0. Finishing third was Kevin Hoobler of Avoca West in Glenview with a score of 4.5. Nine players scored 4-1, with final places:

Place	Name	School
4	Timothy Cobia	Avoca West, Glenview
5	Warren Lentz	Home Schooled, Libertyville
6	Mark Dikopf	Willow Grove, Buffalo Grove
7	Michael Page	Ben Franklin, Glen Ellyn
8	Patrick Kinsella	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove
9	Joshua Bauer	Ravinia School, Highland Park
10	Justin Sandler	None listed
11	Matt Levine	Lincolnwood, Evanston
12	Anthony Oliveira	Avery Coonley, Downers Grove

Other News

Franklin Elementary took 3rd in the National Elementary School Championships in the K-5 division, finishing behind first place Hunter College of New York and second place Dixie Bee of Terre Haute. This represents a clear improvement over the team's 5th place finish in nationals in the K-3 section last year.

Franklin also sent a "club team" in the K-3 section. Club teams are teams which include players from multiple schools. This team finished 6th overall and 3rd among club teams in the K-3 section.

A full report on the tournament, which had over 1700 players and was held in early May in Tucson, will appear in the next issue.

Please.....

Franklin Elementary is looking for additional chess coaches for the 1996-97 season. Our goal is to challenge perennial champion Hunter College for the National Championship. If you are interested in coaching chess, please contact Kevin Bachler at 847-698-9365, or e-mail at Kbachler@aol.com. Players of all strengths are welcome, since we have players of all strengths to be coached.

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Oak Park - River Forest Chess Club News

By Ken Marshall

USCF "Action Chess" Tournament: Catalino Reyes scored 3.5-.5 to top an 8 player field in this April 9 and 16 four round event. Reyes, rated 1900, lived up to his top ranking on the wall chart, though he did yield a last round draw to seventh ranked Roy Nyberg (1269). Nyberg, Mark Sefcheck (1809), and Roger Birkeland (1469) tied for second and third with 2.5-1.5 results.

First 1996 Match v. Chicago Industrial Chess League: The CICL avenged its June, 1995 loss to the OP-RF CC (following a March, 1995 win) with a close 8.5 - 7.5 victory on April 23. Although the CICL had the higher rated player on every board, OP-RF CC members fought hard, and the contest was not decided until the last game ended close to midnight. The match, played at a time control of 40 moves/90 minutes, "sudden death"/30 minutes, was co-directed by CICL President Satish Kale and OP-RF CC President Ken Marshall.

CICL**			OP-RF CC		
1. K.A. Czerniecki	(2087)	1/2	Bob Hansen	(2011)	1/2
2. Marcus Stinson	(1998)	0	Les Bale	(1900)	1
3. R.W. Golla	(1982)	1	Catalino Reyes	(1900)	0
4. Charles Dobrovolny	(1855)	1/2	Marty Ptacek	(1844)	1/2
5. Satish Kale	(1850)	0	Bill Barker	(1821)	1
6. Eric Blackmon	(1803)	0	Jim Kelly	(1729)	1
7. Marty Franek	(1789)	0	Don Winsauer	(1717)	1
8. Rich Dumerer	(1750)	1	Andy Schiller	(1550)	0
9. Duane Satterlee	(1628)	1	Butch Thomas	(1469)	0
10. Hardie White	(1604)	1	Roger Birkeland	(1450)	0
11. Howard Klinefelter	(1535)	0	Darwin Nyberg	(1409)	1
12. Charlie Ward	(1535)	1	Roy Nyberg	(1274)	0
13. Carl Reid	(1535)	1	Warren Kreitzer	(Unr)	0
14. William Johnson	(1248)	1/2	Mike Leghorn	(Unr)	1/2
15. Ron Gerona	(Unr)	1	Ravi Jairath	(Unr)	0
16. Tony Appleberry	(Unr)	0	Joe Reisinger	(1140)	1
		<hr/> 8.5			<hr/> 7.5
17. Alonzo Hall	(Unr)	1/2	Greg Minnis	(1770)	1/2

(It was agreed that this game, started late and played without a clock, would not count as part of the official match. CICL ratings differ slightly from USCF ratings.)

USCF "Game/15" Tournament: Catalino Reyes won this six player round robin tourney on April 30 with a 5-0 score.

Marty Ptacek tallied 3-2 to take second place, while Bob Stoltz and Paul Prause each followed at 2.5-2.5. ♔

ILLINOIS TOUR CROSS TABLES

Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score 30-Mar-96

									score	tour
11126545	1	TATE Emory	2447	W13	W22	W4	W5	4	14	M
10339022	2	SMYTHE Bill	1929	W25	W24	D3	W8	3.5	7.5	MXA
11022391	3	SCOTT Gene	2122	W14	W6	D2	H	3	4	MX
10341841	4	COHEN Lawrence	1960	W15	W23	L1	W14	3	4	MXA
12423763	5	PORTER John	1928	W29	W9	W11	L1	3	4	MXA
12430189	6	SCANLON John	1863	W26	L3	W24	W16	3	4	MXA
12150440	7	BALE Les	1854	W27	L11	W15	W12	3	4	MXA
10345987	8	KNOX Terrance	1660	W20	W12	W10	L2	3	4	MXAB
12420298	9	PADILLA Rudy	1600	W28	L5	W17	W11	3	4	MXAB
11071708	10	SAX Robert	2000	D19	W21	L8	W22	2.5	2.5	MX
12470358	11	MARQUEZ Tony	2050	W18	W7	L5	L9	2	2	MX
12515951	12	ROZOVICS William	1930	W16	L8	W13	L7	2	2	MXA
12522246	13	SILVERMAN Scott	1545	L1	W29	L12	W19	2	2	MXABC
12632169	14	USISKIN Robert	1542	L3	W19	W22	L4	2	2	MXABC
12656097	15	CHU-KUNG Harold	1327	L4	W26	L7	W27	2	2	MXABCD
12632170	16	CHU-KUNG Ben	1310	L12	W27	W23	L6	2	2	MXABCD
	17	BUCIOR Sylvester		L22	W18	L9	W24	2	2	M
12593544	18	HORNOR Richard R	1525	L11	L17	W26	D20	1.5	1.5	MXABC
12597144	19	STEVENS Joseph M	1441	D10	L14	W25	L13	1.5	1.5	MXABC
12623713	20	PAGE Michael P	950	L8	D25	D21	D18	1.5	1.5	MXABCDE
12569761	21	MARKOVIC Arandel	2031	L24	L10	D20	D25	1	1	MX
12602532	22	GATES Sophia	1864	W17	L1	L14	L10	1	1	MXA
11313990	23	FISCHER Gregory A	1800	W28	L4	L16	-	1	1	MXA
12665959	24	PETRAITIS Anton T	1487	W21	L2	L6	L17	1	1	MXABC
12664257	25	MILLER Matt	1250	L2	D20	L19	D21	1	1	MXABCD
12670038	26	COLLARO Tony		L6	L15	L18	W29	1	1	M
12653781	27	BOYLE Sean P	1077	L7	L16	W28	L15	1	1	MXABCDE
12669259	28	BLANDIN Mike	1054	L23	L9	W29	L27	1	1	MXABCDE
12602533	29	WISHNER Michael	1243	L5	L13	L26	L26	0		

Chicago Chess Club Spring Open April 20-21, 1996

									score	tour
11299083	1	CHOW Albert	2382	W25	W10	W8	W3	D2	4.5	9.5M
11126545	2	TATE Emory	2415	H	W13	W15	W11	D1	4	6M
12629269	3	ZINYTCH Miron	2000	W20	W9	W12	L1	W10	4	6MX
12519171	4	MC ALISTER Kelvin	1885	W22	D17	H	W9	W12	4	6MXA
12524379	5	LEDESMA Ed	1617	H	D6	W28	W14	W16	4	6MXAB
12626972	6	KLEBAN Yuliy	2108	D26	D5	H	W15	D11	3	3MX
12470358	7	MARQUEZ Tony	2028	L19	W30	W22	L10	W17	3	3MX
10339022	8	SMYTHE Bill	1929	W28	W19	L1	L12	W20	3	3MXA
12150440	9	BALE Les	1870	W30	L3	W20	L4	W19	3	3MXA
10342686	10	KAMBER George	1840	W23	L1	W21	W7	L3	3	3MXA
12658811	11	AMUNDSEN Steve	1832	W29	D15	W14	L2	D6	3	3MXA
12408787	12	JOHNSON Eric	1784	W24	W16	L3	W8	L4	3	3MXAB
12533899	13	SUAREZ Ed	1707	H	L2	W23	D25	W21	3	3MXAB
11022391	14	SCOTT Gene	2101	H	W26	L11	L5	W24	2.5	2.5MX
12602532	15	GATES Elise Sophia	1935	W21	D11	L2	L6	W25	2.5	2.5MXA
12515951	16	ROZOVICS William	1930	W27	L12	W19	D17	L5	2.5	2.5MXA
12560532	17	BAUMGARTNER Chris	1709	W18	D4	H	D16	L7	2.5	2.5MXAB
12590508	18	GASUNAS Anthony	1178	L17	L21	H	W26	W27	2.5	2.5MXABCDE
12672817	19	GORSKI Mariusz	1534	W7	L8	L16	W28	L9	2	2MXABC
12597144	20	STEVENS Joe	1524	L3	W29	L9	W23	L8	2	2MXABC
12641384	21	SHELLHAMER Ted	1308	L15	W18	L10	W22	L13	2	2MXABCD
12678778	22	BUCIOR Sylvester		L4	W25	L7	L21	W29	2	2M
12674625	23	ESTES Dan		L10	W27	L13	L20	W28	2	2M
12579860	24	PARK William	1073	L12	L28	W30	W27	L14	2	2MXABCDE
11451322	25	JOHNSON Henderson	1594	L1	L22	W26	D13	L15	1.5	1.5MXABC
12522246	26	SILVERMAN Scott	1571	D6	L14	L25	L18	W30	1.5	1.5MXABC
pending	27	BEREZHANSKIY Stan		L16	L23	W29	L24	L18	1	1M
12602533	28	WISHNER Mike	1210	L8	W24	L5	L19	L23	1	1MXABCD
12674350	29	ESTES Kevin		L11	L20	L27	W30	L22	1	1M
12671606	30	DEEGAN Matt		L9	L7	L24	L29	L26	0	

Heathen Open April 5-7, 1996
OPEN

									score	tour
1	ZIANE Nouredine	2273	B	W15	W 7	W 8	H	H	5	15 M
2	SZPISJAK Steve	2228	B	H	D 3	W 6	D 8	W 9	4.5	10 M
3	ZELENSKY Eugene	2307	L 7	W16	D 2	W10	W 5	D 4	4	8 M
4	COX William	1951	H	H	D11	W13	W 7	D 3	4	8 MXA
5	CADMAN Chuck	2069	H	D 6	W17	D 7	L 3	W10	3.5	7 MX
6	HERNANDEZ Hector	2000	D16	D 5	W15	L 2	D11	W14	3.5	7 MX
7	SAX Rob	2000	W 3	W17	L 1	D 5	L 4	W11	3.5	7 MX
8	KRAMER Charles	2346	B	H	W10	L 1	D 2	-	3	6 M
9	SATTERLEE Ray Doyle	2116	L15	D13	W16	D11	W14	L 2	3	6 MX
10	PTACEK Martin	1844	W11	W14	L 8	L 3	W15	L 5	3	6 MXA
11	MIDDLETON Doug	2028	L10	B	D 4	D 9	D 6	L 7	2.5	5 MX
12	COHEN Lawrence	1962	-	H	H	-	W17	D16	2.5	
13	SHEYNIN Sam	2160	L17	D 9	D14	L 4	D16	H	2	4 MX
14	CONDON James	2073	H	L10	D13	W17	L 9	L 6	2	4 MX
15	CRONIN Mike	1862	W 9	L 1	L 6	D16	L10	H	2	4 MXA
16	WHITED William	1854	D 6	L 3	L 9	D15	D13	D12	2	4 MXA
17	RUSSETT John	1942	W13	L 7	L 5	L14	L12	-	1	2 MXA

Heathen Open April 5-7, 1996
RESERVE

									score	tour
1	LEE Allen	1577	W18	W 5	W15	D 2	W11	D 3	5	15 BC
2	ENGELN Mark	1744	B	H	W25	D 1	W16	W 5	5	15 B
3	WINCHESTER Terry	1700	L23	W18	X28	W15	W 7	D 1	4.5	10 B
4	BISHOP Jack	1622	B	L15	H	W23	W10	W 9	4.5	10 B
5	FLORES Joshua	1775	W28	L 1	W29	W10	W14	L 2	4	8 B
6	PADILLA Rudy	1600	W20	D11	H	L16	W25	W13	4	8 B
7	BALTAZAR Mark	1435	W24	D 8	D14	W12	L 3	W11	4	8 BC
8	FROELICH Jim	1627	B	D 7	L11	H	W18	H	3.5	7 B
9	LEDESMA Eduardo	1578	W17	D23	L10	W22	W19	L 4	3.5	7 BC
10	LAUGER Stephen	1464	W27	D13	W 9	L 5	L 4	W16	3.5	7 BC
11	ZEIDMAN Martin	1430	W26	D 6	W 8	W13	L 1	L 7	3.5	7 BC
12	VENUSO Mike		H	W19	H	L 7	H	W21	3.5	
13	DELAY Joe	1659	W16	D10	W23	L11	H	L 6	3	6 B
14	VEINOT Russell	1474	W21	H	D 7	W25	L 5	-	3	6 BC
15	MEYERS Fred	1432	W30	W 4	L 1	L 3	H	H	3	6 BC
16	HAUBER James	1377	L13	W30	W20	W 6	L 2	L10	3	6 BCD
17	WRZOSEK Bob	1284	L 9	L26	L19	X30	W27	W25	3	6 BCD
18	WISHNER Mike	1243	L 1	L 3	W27	W26	L 8	W23	3	6 BCD
19	GASUNAS Anthony	1100	H	L12	W17	W20	L 9	H	3	6 BCDE
20	HULSMAN Alan	1356	L 6	W24	L16	L19	W26	D22	2.5	5 BCD
21	GILRUTH Bruce	1232	L14	L28	W30	W24	H	L12	2.5	5 BCD
22	PETTY Dan	1113	H	L25	W26	L 9	D23	D20	2.5	5 BCDE
23	MICKLICH Frank	1417	W 3	D 9	L13	L 4	D22	L18	2	4 BC
24	TAKI Sonia	900	L 7	L20	B	L21	H	H	2	4 BCDE
25	GIANNAKOPOULOS Dimitri	897	B	W22	L 2	L14	L 6	L17	2	4 BCDE
26	WAGNER J Lawrence		L11	W17	L22	L18	L20	W27	2	
27	WHITED William	945	L10	H	L18	X28	L17	L26	1.5	3 BCDE
28	PHELAN John	1424	L 5	W21	F 3	F27	-	-	1	2 BC
29	SMUTNIAK James	1394	H	H	L 5	-	-	-	1	2 BCD
30	PECENIAK Mike	727	L15	L16	L21	F17	H	H	1	2 BCDE



Mid-America Class March 15-17, 1996
MASTER

								score	tour
1	IVANOV Alexander	2643	W17	W 8	W 3	D 5	D 4	4	12 M
2	FEDOROWICZ John P	2623	W11	W15	D 4	W 9	D 5	4	12 M
3	GUREVICH Dmitry	2617	W32	W27	L 1	W15	W10	4	12 M
4	KUDRIN Sergey	2573	W29	W23	D 2	W 7	D 1	4	12 M
5	YERMOLINSKY Alex	2657	D16	W24	W10	D 1	D 2	3.5	7 M
6	IVANOV Igor	2610	D13	W16	D12	D14	W18	3.5	7 M
7	BROWNE Walter S	2604	W14	D20	W13	L 4	W19	3.5	7 M
8	MANION Josh	2464	W25	L 1	W21	D18	H	3	6 M
9	TATE Emory A	2447	D19	W31	W20	L 2	D14	3	6 M
10	MARTINOVSKY Eugene	2373	W18	W21	L 5	W12	L 3	3	6 M
11	SZPISJAK Steven J	2275	L 2	L13	W32	W20	W22	3	6 M
12	ZIANE Nouredine	2273	W30	H	D 6	L10	W21	3	6 M
13	RAJLICH Vasik G	2226	D 6	W11	L 7	W23	H	3	6 M
14	DOSS Jason R	2182	L 7	W32	W22	D 6	D 9	3	6 MX
15	CHOW Albert C	2368	W26	L 2	W25	L 3	D17	2.5	5 M
16	ANDERSON Renard W	2330	D 5	L 6	L24	W29	W23	2.5	5 M
17	WHEELER Jerry T	2224	L 1	D19	D29	W26	D15	2.5	5 M
18	WALKER Leigh M	2161	L10	W26	W27	D 8	L 6	2.5	5 MX
19	HENDERSON Scot L	2084	D 9	D17	D23	W24	L 7	2.5	5 MX
20	FAGAN James B	2037	B	D 7	L 9	L11	W24	2.5	5 MX
21	DESHPANDE Anirudd	2103	W33	L10	L 8	W27	L12	2	4 MX
22	CADMAN Chuck	2069	L23	W29	L14	W25	L11	2	4 MX
23	DANDRIDGE Marvin	2353	W22	L 4	D19	L13	L16	1.5	3 M
24	PORTER Ryan W	2237	H	L 5	W16	L19	L20	1.5	3 M
25	TUTUSH Dusan	2156	L 8	B	L15	L22	D26	1.5	3 MX
26	LUBKA Reuben N	2075	L15	L18	W34	L17	D25	1.5	3 MX
27	IKEUCHI Curtis K	2069	W31	L 3	L18	L21	-	1	2 MX
28	LINSCOTT John	1815	-	W33	-	-	-	1	
29	WARD Tom	2200	L 4	L22	D17	L16	-	0.5	1 M
30	GUREVICH Dmitry	2617	L12	-	-	-	-	0	
31	WALLACH Kenneth T	2228	L27	L 9	-	-	-	0	
32	CENTINEL Suat Tan	2200	L 3	L14	L11	-	-	0	
33	MENDOZA Gildardo	2000	L21	L28	-	-	-	0	
34	MARTIN Donald R	1827	-	-	L26	-	-	0	

Mid-America Class March 15-17, 1996
EXPERT

								score	tour
1	JORDAN Roland V	2042	W 7	W29	W25	W12	D 4	4.5	19 X
2	SAX Robert D	2000	W11	W38	D13	W14	W10	4.5	19 X
3	ZINYTCH Miron	2000	W42	W15	D 9	W13	W11	4.5	19 X
4	LANGRECK John	2179	D37	W19	W22	W 9	D 1	4	12 X
5	SHERNOFF Leon	2088	W48	L18	W35	W19	W17	4	12 X
6	BAUGH Christopher	2023	L40	W49	W42	W25	W12	4	12 X
7	MARSHALL James A	2151	L 1	W45	D39	W38	W16	3.5	7 X
8	VASTO Daniel	2141	H	W31	W37	L10	W20	3.5	7 X
9	SCOTT Gene G	2122	W43	W36	D 3	L 4	W22	3.5	7 X
10	LASTRA Ricardo	2118	D24	W33	W16	W 8	L 2	3.5	7 X
11	KARAGUEUZIAN Dikr	2159	L 2	W23	W43	W32	L 3	3	6 X
12	FLAGA Krzysztof	2143	W41	W39	W18	L 1	L 6	3	6 X
13	YAVARI Paul	2136	W23	W40	D 2	L 3	D16	3	6 X
14	KARKLINS Erik	2100	L25	W34	W40	L 2	W31	3	6 X
15	MARQUEZ Anthony	2050	W34	L 3	L19	W33	W32	3	6 X
16	SHARMA Upma	2047	D27	W20	L10	W36	D13	3	6 X
17	DEGEN Philip G	2019	D20	W46	D30	W29	L 5	3	6 X
18	ZULIC Jasmin	2008	W47	W 5	L12	W30	L 7	3	6 X
19	SMYTHE Bill	1973	W28	L 4	W15	L 5	W29	3	6 XA
20	LEWIS Ramdake	2121	D17	L16	W44	W39	L 8	2.5	5 X
21	PROFIT Brian	2048	W49	L25	L32	W34	D26	2.5	5 X
22	GREEN Liberty	2026	W44	D30	L 4	X	L 9	2.5	5 X
23	ROGAN Marvin	2000	L13	L11	H	X	W36	2.5	5 X
24	FAIRBAIRN Steven	1991	D10	D35	D38	L27	W39	2.5	5 XA
25	LEALI Michael E	1932	W14	W21	L 1	L 6	D28	2.5	5 XA
26	CRONIN Mike	1862	L39	L41	W48	W40	D21	2.5	5 XA
27	ALSBERRY Melvin	2157	D16	L37	D31	W24	-	2	4 X
28	ELLIS James S	2112	L19	L43	D33	B	D25	2	4 X
29	SATTERLEE Ray Doy	2111	W45	L 1	W41	L17	L19	2	4 X
30	HEYER Jon Paul	2100	W32	D22	D17	L18	-	2	4 X
31	CARR Jay A	1952	D33	L 8	D27	W44	L14	2	4 XA

32	RIDDELL Joshua S	1932	L30	X	W21	L11	L15	2	4	XA
33	BRADY Lindell L	1910	D31	L10	D28	L15	W44	2	4	XA
34	RICHMOND M Barrie	1888	L15	L14	W49	L21	B	2	4	XA
35	WILLARD Gary D	1820	H	D24	L5	D41	D40	2	4	XA
36	CONDRON James K	2073	W46	L9	H	L16	L23	1.5	3	X
37	AHMED Jahangir	2051	D4	W27	L8	F	-	1.5	3	X
38	BALLARD Justin	2050	X	L2	D24	L7	-	1.5	3	X
39	WAGNER Steven J	2044	W26	L12	D7	L20	L24	1.5	3	X
40	PEDRAM Mehrdad	2020	W6	L13	L14	L26	D35	1.5	3	X
41	BOLTON Richard	2000	L12	W26	L29	D35	-	1.5	3	X
42	KOWALSKIE Kyle	2127	L3	W48	L6	-	-	1	2	X
43	CONNOR Peter Y	2034	L9	W28	L11	-	-	1	2	X
44	LINSCOTT John	1815	L22	B	L20	L31	L33	1	2	XA
45	MONATELLI David	1859	L29	L7	H	F	-	0.5	1	XA
46	STEIN Peter	2180	L36	L17	-	-	-	0		
47	STEIN Peter	2180	L18	F	-	-	-	0		
48	LORING Steven W	1918	L5	L42	L26	-	-	0		
49	STAPAY Timothy T	1876	L21	L6	L34	-	-	0		

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								score	tour
1	COHEN Lawrence S	1962	W36	W39	W34	W22	D2	4.5	19 A
2	RIUS Richard G	1941	W37	W7	W18	W23	D1	4.5	19 A
3	FORD Samuel M	1929	H	W29	W52	W34	W5	4.5	19 A
4	COX William G	1951	D28	W27	D35	W12	W22	4	12 A
5	GRUMMAN Feb	1931	W58	W40	W20	W13	L3	4	12 A
6	YAP Darrell Y	1926	L39	W63	W21	W36	W9	4	12 A
7	SINN Robert M	1850	W61	L2	W50	W32	W18	4	12 A
8	BRUNNER Frank	1987	H	W51	L13	W20	W23	3.5	7 A
9	RUDLOFF Michael D	1921	H	W48	W43	W25	L6	3.5	7 A
10	WENNEMYR Magnus	1902	W53	W54	L23	W37	D13	3.5	7 A
11	OBERWEIS James D Sr	1866	L23	W38	H	W43	W25	3.5	7 A
12	AMUNDSEN Steven A	1832	D25	W57	W49	L4	W26	3.5	7 A
13	HRON Ben	1596	W24	W26	W8	L5	D10	3.5	7 AB
14	MACZOLLEK Eduard	1924	W59	W30	L22	W35	-	3	6 A
15	MODES Daniel R	1916	L40	D59	W48	W30	D19	3	6 A
16	VAKIL Behrooz M	1915	W21	L34	L24	W41	W38	3	6 A
17	VIRJEVICH Ognjan	1903	L30	L24	W59	W52	W37	3	6 A
18	FRAZIER Thomas	1900	W47	W49	L2	W24	L7	3	6 A
19	RETHEMEYER Daniel	1854	H	W31	L25	W44	D15	3	6 A
20	BALE Leslie	1854	W62	X	L5	L8	W33	3	6 A
21	IRONS Karl W	1845	L16	W60	L6	W50	W32	3	6 A
22	ALLISON Roger D	1801	W32	W50	W14	L1	L4	3	6 A
23	FISCHER Gregory A	1800	W11	W33	W10	L2	L8	3	6 A
24	SCHUSCHEL Hans	1800	L13	W17	W16	L18	W36	3	6 A
25	MADEY Paul W	1930	D12	W41	W19	L9	L11	2.5	5 A
26	MOHAPATRA Taranik	1900	W42	L13	D30	W31	L12	2.5	5 A
27	MURPHY Robert	1893	D43	L4	D41	D39	W48	2.5	5 A
28	GLUZMAN Jury	1873	D4	L43	L31	W42	W45	2.5	5 A
29	CETERSKI Tom	1827	L34	L3	W63	D46	W43	2.5	5 A
30	GETZ Barney	1638	W17	L14	D26	L15	W50	2.5	5 AB
31	PORTER John	1928	D46	L19	W28	L26	D39	2	4 A
32	RAMAS Casimir	1917	L22	W58	W39	L7	L21	2	4 A
33	BUTTNY William P	1900	W38	L23	H	D40	L20	2	4 A
34	BARBER Robert R	1900	W29	W16	L1	L3	-	2	4 A
35	LEONG Gee Y	1889	D48	W46	D4	L14	-	2	4 A
36	STEININGER Dan	1885	L1	W53	W54	L6	L24	2	4 A
37	GATES Elise J	1864	L2	W47	W42	L10	L17	2	4 A
38	HENDERSON S E	1841	L33	L11	W60	W51	L16	2	4 A
39	KAMBER George W	1823	W6	L1	L32	D27	D31	2	4 A
40	MARSHALL Larry G	1800	W15	L5	D44	D33	-	2	4 A
41	WONG Brian	1661	D51	L25	D27	L16	W52	2	4 AB
42	HOCHEE Mike	1650	L26	W45	L37	L28	W60	2	4 AB
43	LANDRUM Stephen R	1973	D27	W26	L9	L11	L29	1.5	3 A
44	MC ALISTER Kelvin	1924	H	D52	D40	L19	-	1.5	3 A
45	BOLITHO Thomas G	1900	L54	L42	D47	W59	L28	1.5	3 A
46	OTTE Jordan	1863	D31	L35	D51	D29	-	1.5	3 A
47	STEPHENS Louis	1835	L18	L37	D45	L48	B	1.5	3 A
48	KENNEDY Solomon E	1808	D35	L9	L15	W47	L27	1.5	3 A
49	STEWART Allen	1991	B	L18	L12	-	-	1	2 A
50	DOUGHTY Gregory L	1940	W63	L22	L7	L21	L30	1	2 A
51	EGERTON James	1916	D41	L8	D46	L38	-	1	2 A
52	LEVIN Michael	1826	D57	D44	L3	L17	L41	1	2 A

53	BARTHEL Jim	1632	L10	L36	D58	D60	-	1	2	AB
54	LEVIN Michael A	1601	W45	L10	L36	-	-	1	2	AB
55	VIGANTS Albert	1560	-	-	-	W63	-	1		
56	SILVERMAN Scott A	1545	W60	-	-	-	-	1		
57	FRISKE Thomas G	1927	D52	L12	-	-	-	0.5	1	A
58	STOLTZ Robert M	1839	L 5	L32	D53	-	-	0.5	1	A
59	JENKINS Tim	1819	L14	D15	L17	L45	-	0.5	1	A
60	MOSHER Michael J	1654	L58	L21	L38	D53	L42	0.5	1	AB
61	RUDLOFF Michael D	1921	L 7	-	-	-	-	0		
62	RETHEMEYER Daniel	1854	L20	-	-	-	-	0		
63	MACZOLLEK Norbert	1841	L50	L 6	L29	L55	-	0		

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1	CLOUD Vern	1681	W58	W59	W24	W17	W 7	5	32 B
2	LARSON Richard Er	1755	D31	W62	W27	W33	W10	4.5	19 B
3	KITTSLEY Scott L	1600	W25	B	W41	D10	W 8	4.5	19 B
4	IOFFE Gennady	1722	L48	W68	W47	W21	W18	4	12 B
5	FOOTE Greg S	1712	W53	W46	L17	W31	W22	4	12 B
6	BRAY Lonnie	1709	W57	L61	W32	W43	W17	4	12 B
7	KIRZHNER Mikhail	1669	W49	W55	W38	W 9	L 1	4	12 B
8	GENCHANOK Yefim Y	1728	W45	D27	W11	W30	L 3	3.5	7 B
9	SINCLAIR Sven	1714	W60	W18	W22	L 7	D13	3.5	7 B
10	KNOX Malcolm	1696	W35	W14	W37	D 3	L 2	3.5	7 B
11	PADILLA Frank A	1674	D52	W28	L 8	W23	W33	3.5	7 B
12	DELAY Joe	1659	L55	W53	W59	D25	W24	3.5	7 B
13	MARTIN Michael	1616	D62	W15	W26	D24	D 9	3.5	7 B
14	TERBELL William A	1533	W42	L10	H	W50	W30	3.5	7 BC
15	KRISTOFF Justin	1788	D30	L13	D28	W54	W34	3	6 B
16	BYRNES Randy	1783	D28	L52	W63	D19	W43	3	6 B
17	ENGELN Mark	1744	W67	W34	W 5	L 1	L 6	3	6 B
18	MOSS Adam H	1687	W51	L 9	W48	W46	L 4	3	6 B
19	BRIDGHAM Kurt P	1670	W69	L38	D34	D16	W47	3	6 B
20	JABLON Stephen E	1669	L59	D63	D51	W60	W49	3	6 B
21	HAYES Will	1663	W65	L41	W49	L 4	W46	3	6 B
22	GROEGER Andrew	1640	X	W36	L 9	W41	L 5	3	6 B
23	AROND Dean	1762	D44	L30	W42	L11	W53	2.5	5 B
24	ALLEN Hence	1730	W29	W48	L 1	D13	L12	2.5	5 B
25	LOVEN Dallas	1715	L 3	W57	W45	D12	-	2.5	5 B
26	WORTINGER John K	1708	W63	D33	L13	W44	-	2.5	5 B
27	FRANKLIN Stanley	1705	W64	D 8	L 2	W35	-	2.5	5 B
28	RATNER Jacob M	1700	D16	L11	D15	W48	D31	2.5	5 B
29	CETERSKI Justin S	1679	L24	L40	W57	W59	D32	2.5	5 B
30	ROSTROM C Richard	1663	D15	W23	W52	L 8	L14	2.5	5 B
31	GASIECKI Alan F	1634	D 2	X	H	L 5	D28	2.5	5 B
32	FROELICH Jim	1627	L36	W58	L 6	W51	D29	2.5	5 B
33	SHOCKLEY Robert	1617	W50	D26	W55	L 2	L11	2.5	5 B
34	JANUS Christopher	1605	W39	L17	D19	W52	L15	2.5	5 B
35	HAYES Christopher	1577	L10	D39	W64	L27	W52	2.5	5 BC
36	BROWN Tony	1750	W32	L22	L43	W45	-	2	4 B
37	COLEMAN George	1745	W68	W43	L10	-	-	2	4 B
38	CURRAN Thomas	1730	W47	W19	L 7	-	-	2	4 B
39	NAPOLI Carmelo	1729	L34	D35	D60	L49	W54	2	4 B
40	TOWNSEND Chester	1729	L43	W29	L46	W56	-	2	4 B
41	GAPUZ Wilfredo C	1718	W56	W21	L 3	L22	-	2	4 B
42	SCHNEIDER Anton	1689	L14	H	L23	W63	D44	2	4 B
43	PAULSEN David W	1642	W40	L37	W36	L 6	L16	2	4 B
44	HALE Bob Lloyd	1639	D23	H	D50	L26	D42	2	4 B
45	BECK Brian J	1634	L 8	W64	L25	L36	W50	2	4 B
46	GIERTZ Charles E	1624	W66	L 5	W40	L18	L21	2	4 B
47	MATTHEWS Jerry	1613	L38	W69	L 4	X	L19	2	4 B
48	JOHNSON Henderson	1572	W 4	L24	L18	L28	W59	2	4 BC
49	SILVERMAN Scott A	1545	L 7	B	L21	W39	L20	2	4 BC
50	CHEN XI M	1738	L33	W56	D44	L14	-	1.5	3 B
51	OBERWEIS Julie	1738	L18	D60	D20	L32	H	1.5	3 B
52	COVIC Mehmed	1730	D11	W16	L30	L34	L35	1.5	3 B
53	PADILLA Rudy R	1600	L 5	L12	W68	H	L23	1.5	3 B
54	KISHI Nozar	1421	H	-	X	L15	L39	1.5	3 BC
55	CUMBERLANDER Larry	1767	W12	L 7	L33	F	-	1	2 B
56	CRANE John R	1601	L41	L50	W58	L40	-	1	2 B
57	GRIFFIN John L	1600	L 6	L25	L29	X	-	1	2 B
58	VIGANTS Albert	1560	L 1	L32	L56	B	L45	1	2 BC

59	LEALI Matthew	1495	W20	L 1	L12	L29	L48	1	2 BC
60	BULINGTON Jeffrey	1478	L 9	D51	D39	L20	-	1	2 BC
61	MC NAMARA James	-	-	W 6	-	-	-	1	
62	MC DANIEL Peter N	1733	D13	L 2	-	-	-	0.5	1 B
63	MARSHALL Kenneth	1600	L26	D20	L16	L42	-	0.5	1 B
64	ARIZO Anthony	1795	L27	L45	L35	F	-	0	
65	BYRNES Randy M	1783	L21	-	-	-	-	0	
66	COLEMAN George	1745	L48	F	-	-	-	0	
67	BISHOP Jack	1622	L17	F	-	-	-	0	
68	BISHOP Jack	1622	L37	L 4	L53	-	-	0	
69	TURNER Keith	1558	L19	L47	-	-	-	0	

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1	COCHRAN Craig	1514	W34	W20	W26	W 7	W 6	5	32 C
2	VANEVENHOVEN Scot	1575	W63	W40	D 3	W35	W 8	4.5	19 C
3	ROVENSKIY Vitaliy	1498	W62	W10	D 2	W17	W16	4.5	19 C
4	GROVER David A	1502	W67	L16	W59	W37	W19	4	12 C
5	SMITH Orlan B	1500	W44	W38	W16	L 8	W20	4	12 C
6	STEVENS Joseph M	1441	W53	W18	W37	W19	L 1	4	12 C
7	CAMP Edward	1430	W45	W48	W27	L 1	W21	4	12 C
8	HAMER Philip	1418	W46	W39	W29	W 5	L 2	4	12 C
9	LEDESMA Eduardo	1578	L22	W65	W40	W39	D13	3.5	7 C
10	VIDULICH Michael	1527	W43	L 3	D33	W26	W32	3.5	7 C
11	SPRINGER Vince M	1520	W65	D22	D35	D23	W31	3.5	7 C
12	CETERSKI Ken	1516	W15	L35	D44	W34	W33	3.5	7 C
13	WATTS Tom	1514	D52	W61	D22	W36	D 9	3.5	7 C
14	GINSBERG Michael	1455	X	L29	W28	H	W27	3.5	7 C
15	KRISTOFF Ryan	1353	L12	W30	D48	W49	X	3.5	7 CD
16	KLEIN William K	1597	W50	W 4	L 5	W41	L 3	3	6 C
17	HUBBELL Ross	1568	D49	W31	W51	L 3	D23	3	6 C
18	SKLEBA Thomas J	1541	W24	L 6	W54	L21	W35	3	6 C
19	MENENDEZ Cipriano	1532	X	W62	W41	L 6	L 4	3	6 C
20	BENDER Jesse	1529	X	L 1	W42	W22	L 5	3	6 C
21	HORNOR Richard R	1516	L26	W64	W55	W18	L 7	3	6 C
22	RACZKIEWYCZ Mark	1491	W 9	D11	D13	L20	W59	3	6 C
23	KENNEDY Dannie R	1463	H	H	W46	D11	D17	3	6 C
24	MICKLICH Frank T	1417	L18	W45	L39	W40	W36	3	6 C
25	KINGREY Chaene	1413	L38	L44	W45	W54	W41	3	6 C
26	BOST Michael	1401	W21	W47	L 1	L10	W42	3	6 C
27	DOBOS Gordon J	1550	W55	W42	L 7	H	L14	2.5	5 C
28	STEWART Charles E	1543	L31	W57	L14	H	W50	2.5	5 C
29	CORNELIUS Brad S	1518	W57	W14	L 8	H	F	2.5	5 C
30	BIRKELAND Roger	1464	-	L15	X	H	W47	2.5	5 C
31	LEUNG Daniel Y	1454	W28	L17	W38	H	L11	2.5	5 C
32	KNIGHT Jerry	1439	H	L49	X	W47	L10	2.5	5 C
33	ZEIDMAN Martin	1430	L37	W58	D10	W48	L12	2.5	5 C
34	ROSE Alan J	1300	L 1	D43	W53	L12	W49	2.5	5 CD
35	HUBBARD Andrew	1205	B	W12	D11	L 2	L18	2.5	5 CD
36	DARWICHE Nazih M	1582	W56	L41	W49	L13	L24	2	4 C
37	WALKER Barry Wood	1564	W33	W54	L 6	L 4	-	2	4 C
38	WEBER Jerry W	1523	W25	L 5	L31	W55	-	2	4 C
39	HENNE Robert	1503	W66	L 8	W24	L 9	-	2	4 C
40	NIKITIN Mike	1501	W58	L 2	L 9	L24	W56	2	4 C
41	NAPOLI Michael	1499	X	W36	L19	L16	L25	2	4 C
42	MC NAMARA Ron	1478	W59	L27	L20	W57	L26	2	4 C
43	HELBING Casey	1430	L10	D34	L47	W62	D45	2	4 C
44	WEBER Greg	1296	L 5	W25	D12	D46	-	2	4 CD
45	CROUCH Jerry W	1554	L 7	L24	L25	W64	D43	1.5	3 C
46	MARTIN Albert A	1546	L 8	W56	L23	D44	-	1.5	3 C
47	JOHNSON Jeffrey F	1538	D51	L26	W43	L32	L30	1.5	3 C
48	HUANG John	1524	W64	L 7	D15	L33	-	1.5	3 C
49	WALLACE Mark D	1465	D17	W32	L36	L15	L34	1.5	3 C
50	THOMAS Harold H	1469	L16	L59	W64	D52	L28	1.5	3 C
51	STUBBLEFIELD Bill	1414	D47	W52	L17	-	-	1.5	3 C
52	GRIFFITH David	1373	D13	L51	H	D50	-	1.5	3 CD
53	SANDERS Fred C	1575	L 6	L55	L34	L56	W54	1	2 C
54	SPARROW Richard	1479	X	L37	L18	L25	L53	1	2 C
55	O'BRIEN Daniel	1428	L27	W53	L21	L38	-	1	2 C
56	HINSCH David R	1417	L36	L46	L57	W53	L40	1	2 C
57	MONTALTI Gianluca	1358	L29	L28	W56	L42	-	1	2 CD
58	MIKOLYZK Thomas A	1343	L40	L33	B	-	-	1	2 CD

59	ENDLER James	1245	L42	W50	L 4	L60	L22	1	2 CD
60	ORIBELLO Avelino	-	-	-	-	W59	-	1	
61	KISHI Nozar	1421	H	L13	-	-	-	0.5	
62	SALEM Mohamed	1292	L 3	L19	H	L43	-	0.5	1 CD
63	BIRKELAND Roger	1464	L 2	-	-	-	-	0	
64	GOLBECK Philip S	1412	L48	L21	L50	L45	-	0	
65	WATSON Dean R	1400	L11	L 9	F	-	-	0	
66	MONTALTI Gianluca	1358	L39	-	-	-	-	0	
67	KRISTOFF Ryan	1353	L 4	-	-	-	-	0	

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1	GOFFSTEIN Daniel	1349	W15	W22	W14	W 3	W 7	5	32 D
2	HAUBER James S	1377	W30	L14	W15	W28	W13	4	12 D
3	GEIGER Lloyd T	1360	W44	W32	W13	L 1	W14	4	12 D
4	EGERTON Brian	1328	L17	W37	W33	W16	W11	4	12 D
5	HENDRICKSON Willi	1218	W27	W20	D 7	W21	D 6	4	12 D
6	IVENS James L	1372	D10	D12	W34	W29	D 5	3.5	7 D
7	FENTON Dean R	1336	W37	W17	D 5	W18	L 1	3.5	7 D
8	BOONE Foster	1332	W31	W36	L18	H	W23	3.5	7 D
9	DIVINSKY Gregory	1324	D35	W34	L24	W32	W18	3.5	7 D
10	KLAHN Matthew S	1291	D 6	L23	W30	W22	W21	3.5	7 D
11	GIAMPA Michael A	1391	W42	L13	W36	W24	L 4	3	6 D
12	ABDULLAH El Seba	1336	D23	D 6	W31	L14	W24	3	6 D
13	KUNG Harold	1327	W33	W11	L 3	W19	L 2	3	6 D
14	STAPLES Carl	1274	W40	W 2	L 1	W12	L 3	3	6 D
15	KUTIN Brian J	1268	L 1	W26	L 2	W40	W32	3	6 D
16	NELSON Michael J	1258	W39	L18	W25	L 4	W33	3	6 D
17	YOUNG Mark	1219	W 4	L 7	L28	X	W27	3	6 D
18	WONG Kevin D	1178	W29	W16	W 8	L 7	L 9	3	6 DE
19	CARPENTER Richard	1163	L36	W42	W20	L13	W31	3	6 DE
20	NELSON James E	1295	W38	L 5	L19	D34	W35	2.5	5 D
21	SUM-PING Oliver	1252	W25	D24	W23	L 5	L10	2.5	5 D
22	SEGRETO Thomas	1246	W43	L 1	H	L10	W34	2.5	5 D
23	WISHNER Michael	1243	D12	W10	L21	W25	L 8	2.5	5 D
24	OPANASYUK Bogdan	1215	W28	D21	W 9	L11	L12	2.5	5 D
25	ROSE Eric J	1347	L21	X	L16	L23	W37	2	4 D
26	LOBROCO Michael J	1328	L32	L15	W39	L31	W38	2	4 D
27	SCARLETT James E	1319	L 5	W39	L32	W38	L17	2	4 D
28	METCALF Chris	1306	L24	W38	W17	L 2	-	2	4 D
29	BALES Robert J	1300	L18	W43	W35	L 6	-	2	4 D
30	THOMAS Raymond A	1258	L 2	D35	L10	D41	W40	2	4 D
31	WIMMER Ben	1237	L 8	W41	L12	W26	L19	2	4 D
32	EVERSON Michael	1225	W26	L 3	W27	L 9	L15	2	4 D
33	WHITMAN Rich	1213	L13	W40	L 4	W42	L16	2	4 D
34	SHELLHAMER Ted C	1260	W41	L 9	L 6	D20	L22	1.5	3 D
35	JACOBSON Ted	1182	D 9	D30	L29	H	L20	1.5	3 DE
36	WILLIAMS Claude R	1290	W19	L 8	L11	F	-	1	2 D
37	HAYES Michael J	1241	L 7	L 4	L40	W39	L25	1	2 D
38	HOCHEE Dan	1155	L20	L28	X	L27	L26	1	2 DE
39	PRATT Joshua	1130	L16	L27	L26	L37	W41	1	2 DE
40	KOEBELE Tom	1103	L14	L33	W37	L15	L30	1	2 DE
41	BREWER Ryan	1066	L34	L31	D42	D30	L39	1	2 DE
42	TUCKER Anthony	1258	L11	L19	D41	L33	-	0.5	1 D
43	WEBB James	1347	L22	L29	F	-	-	0	
44	WILLIAMS Claude R	1290	L 3	F	-	-	-	0	



Mid-America Class March 15-17, 1996

CLASS E

								score	tour
1	KANTER Brad M	1148	D19	W22	W20	W7	W8	4.5	19 E
2	PEPPLER Anthony W	1113	W27	W35	W11	D8	W3	4.5	19 E
3	HARRER William	1192	W29	W28	W14	W4	L2	4	12 E
4	SAWYER Christopher	1165	W37	W25	W17	L3	W13	4	12 E
5	SEIBEL Dennis	1161	L6	W19	W25	W16	W14	4	12 E
6	RENAUER Daniel	976	W5	L8	W35	W23	W12	4	12 E
7	HARBACEK Nathan	899	W23	W9	W10	L1	W19	4	12 E
8	GRUND Jordan	1169	W33	W6	W24	D2	L1	3.5	7 E
9	PETTY Dan	1113	W26	L7	D21	W18	W20	3.5	7 E
10	WIMMER Jeremy	1098	W18	D20	L7	W34	W22	3.5	7 E
11	DE BLASIO Nichola	1199	W32	W15	L2	L14	W24	3	6 E
12	WILLSON Billy	1152	L21	W42	W28	W17	L6	3	6 E
13	CETERSKI Martha	1119	L38	W39	W29	W24	L4	3	6 E
14	HERNANDO Bernal	1096	W34	X	L3	W11	L5	3	6 E
15	LEWIS Richard	1075	W30	L11	L18	W38	W27	3	6 E
16	PARK William	1073	L35	W27	W30	L5	W29	3	6 E
17	FRITSCH Paul L	1005	W39	W38	L4	L12	W30	3	6 E
18	CLOUGH Patrick	815	L10	W41	W15	L9	W23	3	6 E
19	EGERTON Gary	956	D1	L5	W26	W21	L7	2.5	5 E
20	RICHARDSON Gregor	948	W41	D10	L1	W33	L9	2.5	5 E
21	PEREGOY Patrick	858	W12	L24	D9	L19	W32	2.5	5 E
22	SAWYER April J	772	B	L1	D33	W35	L10	2.5	5 E
23	GASUNAS Anthony C	1100	L7	W37	W38	L6	L18	2	4 E
24	WIMMER John R	996	W42	W21	L8	L13	L11	2	4 E
25	PAGE Michael P	950	W36	L4	L5	L30	W38	2	4 E
26	CHAMORRO Rosario	947	L9	D32	L19	W42	D41	2	4 E
27	NIKITIN Matt	925	L2	L16	W42	W31	L15	2	4 E
28	WEBER Jon	910	W31	L3	L12	W39	-	2	4 E
29	GIANNOKOPOULOS Di	865	L3	W31	L13	W37	L16	2	4 E
30	ARNETT Douglas	801	L15	B	L16	W25	L17	2	4 E
31	CARPENTER Eric	652	L28	L29	B	L27	W39	2	4 E
32	ZYDECK Billy	1074	L11	D26	L34	W36	L21	1.5	3 E
33	HORITA Ray S	1016	L8	W36	D22	L20	-	1.5	3 E
34	CHIEN Shin-Chi	879	L14	H	W32	L10	F	1.5	3 E
35	SUPPES James	1189	W16	L2	L6	L22	F	1	2 E
36	VAN DEN ABELL Tho	1122	L25	L33	L39	L32	W42	1	2 E
37	ANDHAVARAPU Venka	1007	L4	L23	W41	L29	-	1	2 E
38	MC NALLY Michael	853	W13	L17	L23	L15	L25	1	2 E
39	EBSCH Christopher	795	L17	L13	W36	L28	L31	1	2 E
40	NAPOLI Steven	-	-	-	-	W41	-	1	
41	BRYANT Kevin	702	L20	L18	L37	L40	D26	0.5	1 E
42	LUTH Brian	702	L24	L12	L27	L26	L36	0	

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UNRATED

								score	tour
1	TABANLI Muzaffer	UNR	W8	W19	W6	W3	W4	5	
2	ORIBELLO Avelino	UNR	W5	W15	L3	W6	W8	4	
3	CHEN Yong	UNR	W17	W7	W2	L1	W5	4	
4	BUBNIW Anthony	UNR	W22	W18	W11	W14	L1	4	
5	RAMOS Fabian	UNR	L2	B	W17	W7	L3	3	
6	DODSOH Kermit	UNR	W14	W16	L1	L2	W13	3	
7	BLANDIN Mike	UNR	W9	L3	W16	L5	W14	3	
8	GORSKI Mariusz	UNR	L1	W12	W21	W15	L2	3	
9	MALLORY Michael	UNR	L7	L17	X	W21	W15	3	
10	NAPOLI Steven	UNR	D15	L14	L12	B	W16	2.5	
11	LARSON Shay	UNR	W20	D13	L4	X	-	2.5	
12	LEUNG Cheung	UNR	L13	L8	W10	D16	W21	2.5	
13	SANCHEZ Pedro	UNR	W12	D11	L14	X	L6	2.5	
14	DELMAR Sigmund	UNR	L6	W10	W13	L4	L7	2	
15	ROBERTS Michael	UNR	D10	L2	W18	L8	L9	1.5	
16	PALA Audrey	UNR	X	L6	L7	D12	L10	1.5	
17	KROSS William	UNR	L3	W9	L5	D16	-	1.5	
18	NANGLE James	UNR	W21	L4	L15	D17	-	1.5	
19	MOORE Allan Sr	UNR	X	L1	H	F	-	1.5	
20	MOORE Allan Jr	UNR	L11	B	H	F	-	1.5	
21	MUTH Karl	UNR	L18	W22	L8	L9	L12	1	
22	VENUSO Mike	UNR	L4	L21	F	-	-	0	

1996 ILLINOIS CHESS ASSOCIATION TOUR STANDINGS

This list reflects the following 1996 Tour events:

Peoria Tornado	mini	Jan 20
Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	mini	Jan 20
Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	mini	Jan 21
Tim Just Winter Open, Grayslake	MAXI	Jan 27-28
Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	mini	Feb 4
Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	mini	Feb 10
Greater Peoria Open	MAXI	Mar 2-3
Mid-America Class Championship, O'Hare	MAXI	Mar 15-17
Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	mini	Mar 30
Heathen Open, Burr Ridge	MAXI	Apr 5-7
Chicago Chess Club Spring Open	mini	Apr 20-21

Upcoming 1996 Tour events:

Chicago Open, Oak Brook	MAXI	May 24-27
Master Challenge, St Charles	MAXI	Jun 21-23
Peoria Tornado	micro	Jun 29
All American Class, Burr Ridge	MAXI	Jul 6-7
Midway Amateur Class, Oak Lawn	MAXI	Aug 3-4
Illinois Open, O'Hare	MAXI	Aug 31-Sept 2
Midwest Class Championship, Oak Brook	MAXI	Oct 25-27
Tuley Park Quick, Chicago	micro	Nov 9
U.S. Class, O'Hare	MAXI	Nov 22-24

Other events may be added as the year progresses. Check the Illinois Chess Bulletin, Chess Life, and ChessPhone (630-832-5222) for details.

For players with fewer than three 1996 Tour events, the number of events (1 or 2) is shown in parentheses. A player must have played in at least three Tour events during 1996 to be eligible for year-end Tour prizes.

NOTE: ICA membership is required for all Illinois residents playing in ICA Tour events. Residents of other states are not required to join ICA if they are

members of their home state chess associations. However, Tour points earned by out-of-staters do not count unless they are ICA members.

We have attempted to remove the names of out-of-state non-members from the following list. Because the membership records are separate from the Tour records, the names of a few non-members may remain. Membership checks will be performed at year-end to verify prize eligibility.

Master Tour Points:

CHOW Albert C	63
SZPIJAK Steven J	36.5
SAX Robert D	27.5
DANDRIDGE Marvin	23.5
ZINYTCH Miron	23.5
BACHLER Kevin L (2)	23
ZIANE Noureddine (2)	21
FAGAN James B	18
HERNANDEZ Hector	18
MARQUEZ Anthony	18
SCOTT Gene G	18
SMYTHE Bill	18
WASHINGTON Ronald	16.5
VAN BUSKIRK Doug (2)	16
CADMAN Chuck	15
ALSBERRY Melvin (2)	14
COX William G	13
BROCK Bill	12
GUREVICH Dmitry (1)	12
MOTE David B (1)	12

Expert Tour Points:

SAX Robert D	46.5
ZINYTCH Miron	42.5
JORDAN Roland V	25.5
SCOTT Gene G	25
MARQUEZ Anthony	24
SMYTHE Bill	24
BACHLER Kevin L (2)	23
ALSBERRY Melvin (2)	18
FAGAN James B	18
HERNANDEZ Hector	18
WASHINGTON Ronald	16.5
CADMAN Chuck	15
COX William G	13
BROCK Bill	12
SHERNOFF Leon (1)	12

Class A Tour Points:

COX William G	25
SMYTHE Bill	24
COHEN Lawrence S (2)	23

FORD Samuel M (1)	19
RIUS Richard G (1)	19
BALE Leslie	15
FISCHER Gregory A	15
GATES Elise Sophia	12
GRUMMAN Feb (1)	12
PORTER John	12
WONG Brian	11.5
AMUNDSEN Steven (2)	10
HRON Ben	9.5
KNOX Terrance	9.5
CRONIN Mike (2)	9
GETZ Barney (2)	9
MC ALISTER Kelvi (2)	9

Class B Tour Points:

ENGELIN Mark	40
DELAY Joe	25
SHOCKLEY Robert	24
GROEGER Andrew	21
GASUNAS Anthony C	20.5
BAUMGARTNER Chris	19.5
GAST Bryan (2)	19.5
DITTSWORTH Todd (1)	19
KITTSLEY Scott L (1)	19
FROELICH Jim	18
PADILLA Rudy R	18
HAYES Christophe (2)	17
BROWN Tony (2)	16
LEE Allen (1)	15
SILVERMAN Scott A	13.5
ZIMMERLE R Wayne (2)	13.5

Class C Tour Points:

STEVENS Joseph M	22.5
GASUNAS Anthony C	20.5
GAST Bryan (2)	19.5
ROVENSKIY Vitali (1)	19
BAUMGARTNER Chris	17
HAYES Christophe (2)	17
LEE Allen (1)	15
LEDESMA Eduardo	14
SHOCKLEY Robert	14

SILVERMAN Scott A	13.5
LAUGER Stephen C (2)	13
SHELLHAMER Ted C	13
SPRINGER Vincent (2)	13
WISHNER Michael	12.5
GROVER David A (1)	12
SMITH Orlan B (1)	12

Class D Tour Points:

GASUNAS Anthony C	20.5
HAUBER James S (2)	18
WISHNER Michael	17.5
SHELLHAMER Ted C	16
EGERTON Brian (1)	12
HENDRICKSON Will (1)	12
HUBBARD Andrew (2)	10
ROSE Eric J (2)	10
SMUTNIAK James (2)	8
YOUNG Mark (2)	8
WONG Kevin D (2)	7.5
BOONE Foster (1)	7
DIVINSKY Gregory (1)	7
FENTON Dean R (1)	7
KELLY James R (2)	7
KLAHN Matthew S (1)	7

Class E Tour Points:

GASUNAS Anthony C	24.5
KANTER Brad M (1)	19
HARBACEK Nathan (1)	12
HARRER William (1)	12
PETTY Dan (2)	12
RENAUER Daniel (1)	12
SEIBEL Dennis (1)	12
PARK William (2)	8
WONG Kevin D (2)	7.5
WIMMER Jeremy (1)	7
CLOUGH Patrick (1)	6
FRITSCH Paul L (1)	6
LEWIS Richard (1)	6
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Jul 6-7, All American Class Championship, Burr Ridge, IL, 5-SS, 40/90, SD/1, Best Western Inn of Burr Ridge, 300 S. Frontage Road. \$5000G (in 6 sections). M/X 700-500-300, U2300 150, U2200 250-200. A 250-200-100, B 250-200-100, C 250-200-100, D 250-200-100, E/U 200-150-100, Unr 90-60. Unrated may play in any section but not win more than \$90. EFS 43 if by 6/30, \$50 at site, GM's and IM's free. Jr. \$10 off. Add \$15 to play up 1 section. 1/2 pt bye available on any rd (max 2) if requested at reg. ICA membership required. Free Raffle. REG 8-8:45 am. Rds 9-2-7, 10-3:15. Info: Lawrence Cohen, P.O. Box 6632 Villa Park, IL 60181 (708) 834-2477, NS, NC, W. **maxi**

Jul 13, 96 Tuley Park QC#9, Chicago, 501 E, 90th Place, EF: \$12, under 19 \$6. Reg. 11:00-11:50, 1st Rd at 12. Prizes \$200 (b/24) \$120G, \$60-\$40-\$30 best from middle 3rd \$40, best from lowest 3rd \$30. Time

controls: If 14 of less; 4SS, G/25, if 16 to 24 players: 5SS Rds 1&2 G/15, rds 3,4,5 G/25. If 26 players or more: 6SS, rds 1-3: G/15, rds 4-6: G20, Info: Tom Fineberg (312) 721-3979

Jul 20-21, Chicago CC Summer Open. 5-SS, rds 1-3 40/90, then 40/60, then SD/30, rds 4-5 40/120, then 40/60, then SD/30. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. EF \$35; juniors, CCC members, and advance registrants (by 7/15) \$30. Reg ends 9:30 a.m. Saturday, rounds at 10:00-2:30-7:00, 11:00-5:00. Prizes based on 30 players: \$200-\$160-\$120, U2200 \$100, U2000 \$90, U1800 \$80, U1600 \$70. (312) 761-5050. **Mini.**

Jul 27, 96 Tuley Park QC#10, Chicago, 501 E, 90th Place, EF: \$12, under 19 \$6. Reg. 11:00-11:50, 1st Rd at 12. Prizes \$200 (b/24) \$120G, \$60-\$40-\$30 best from middle 3rd \$40, best from lowest 3rd \$30. Time controls: If 14 of less; 4SS, G/25, if 16 to 24: 5SS Rds 1&2 G/15, rds 3,4,5 G/25. If 26 players or more: 6SS, rds 1-3: G/15, rds 4-6: G20, Info: Tom Fineberg (312) 721-3979

Jul 27, Chesterton Chess, Westchester Public Library, 200 W. Indiana, Chesterton, IN, 4-SS, G/90. PFS: \$310 based on 30 entries: \$100, \$50, U2000 \$45, U1800 \$40, U1600 \$35, U1400 \$25, U1200 \$15, Rds: 9:30, 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, Reg: 8:30-9:15 a.m. (all time is Chicago time!), EFS: \$15, \$10 for High School or below. Info: Randy Pals, 1233 Morningside Dr., Chesterton, IN 46304. (219) 926-2266.

Jul 28, Sunday High Noon Quads, Chicago. 3-RR, game/105, in 4-player sections of like-rated players. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt. EF \$15, juniors and CCC members \$12, plus \$5 forfeit deposit returned upon completion of all games. Reg ends 11:30 a.m., round 1 at 12:00. Prizes \$30-\$15 in each quad. No late entries, no byes. (312) 761-5050.

Aug 3-4, 1996 Midway Amateur Class Championships, Maxi

Aug 4-16, 1996 U.S. Open, Alexandria, VA

Aug 10, Saturday High Noon Plus-Score, Chicago. 4-SS, game/60, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt. EF \$15, juniors and CCC members \$12. Reg ends 11:30 a.m., round 1 at 12:00. Prizes by score: 4-0 \$100, 3.5-0.5 \$50, 3-1 \$25, 2.5-1.5 \$12. (219) 761-5050.

Aug 10, Rating Wars, Burr Ridge. 4-SS, G/90. Best Western Inn, 300 S. Frontage Rd., Burr Ridge. Right at the first traffic light south of I-55 on County Line Road. EF: \$5, Reg. 8:30-9:10 AM. Rds 9:30-14:15-7:45. No Prizes. Info: Larry Cohen (708) 834-2477 **Mini.**

Aug 11, Sunday High Noon Plus-Score Quick, Chicago. 6-SS, game/29, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt. EF \$15, juniors and CCC members \$12. Reg ends 11:30 a.m., round 1 at 12:00. Prizes by score: 6-0 \$100, 5.5-0.5 \$60, 5-1 \$35, 4.5-1.5 \$20, 4-2 \$12, 3.5-2.5 \$5. (312) 761-5050.

Aug 24, 96 Tuley Park Big QC#2, Chicago., 501 E, 90th Place, EF: \$12, under 19 \$6. Reg. 11:00-11:50,

1st Rd at 12. Prizes \$320 (b/24) \$100, \$60-\$40 best from middle 3rd \$60, best from lowest 3rd \$430. Time controls: If 14 or less; 4SS, G/25, if 16 to 24: 5SS Rds 1&2 G/15, rds 3,4,5 G/25. If 26 players or more: 6SS, rds 1-3: G/15, rds 4-6: G20, Info: Tom Fineberg (312) 721-3979

Aug 31-Sep 2, Illinois Open (State Championship), GPP: 50
6-SS 40/100, 25/1, SD/30. Ramada Hotel O'Hare, 6600 N. Mannheim Rd., Rosemont, IL 60018. \$\$G 5,000. In 2 sections: Open. \$\$ G 1200-600-300, 2200-2299 300, X 300-150, U2000 300-150. EF \$54 by 8/24, \$11 more at site. Reserve, open to U1800/unr. \$\$G 500-250-100, C 200-100, D 200-100, E 100-50, unr \$100 gift certificate. EF \$44 by 8/24, \$11 more at site. Both. \$22 off advance entry only for juniors under 20 or unrated. ICA Membership required: \$14, \$8 under 20. OSA. Unrateds may only win unrated prize in Reserve or top prizes in Open. Reg 9-10 a.m. Rds. 11-6, 10-5, 10-5. 1/2 point bye available (limit 2) in rounds 1-4 rounds if requested in advance. HR: 65-65-65-65. (847) 827-5131. Ent: Checks payable to ICA. Todd Barre, 418 Poplar Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126. (630) 834-0862. NS NC W.Maxi.

Sep 21, 96 Tuley Park QC#12, Chicago, 501 E, 90th Place, EF: \$12, under 19 \$6. Reg. 11:00-11:50, 1st Rd at 12. Prizes \$200 (b/24) \$120G, \$60-\$40-\$30 best from middle 3rd \$40, best from lowest 3rd \$30. Time controls: If 14 or less; 4SS, G/25, if 16 to 24: 5SS Rds 1&2 G/15, rds

3,4,5 G/25. If 26 players or more: 6SS, rds 1-3: G/15, rds 4-6: G20, Info: Tom Fineberg (312) 721-3979

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Oct 19, 96 Tuley Park QC#13, Chicago, 501 E, 90th Place, EF: \$12, under 19 \$6. Reg. 11:00-11:50, 1st Rd at 12. Prizes \$200 (b/22) \$120G, \$60-\$40-\$30 best from middle 3rd \$40, best from lowest 3rd \$30. Time controls: If 14 or less; 4SS, G/25, if 16 to 24: 5SS Rds 1&2 G/15, rds 3,4,5 G/25. If 26 players or more: 6SS, rds 1-3: G/15, rds 4-6: G20, Info: Tom Fineberg (312) 721-3979

Oct 26 Chessterton Chess, IN, Westchester Public Library, 200 W. Indiana, Chesterton, IN, 4-SS, G/90. PFS: \$310 based on 30 entries: \$100, \$50, U2000 \$45, U1800 \$40, U1600 \$35, U1400 \$25, U1200 \$15, Rds: 9:30, 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, Reg: 8:30-9:15 a.m. (all time is Chicago time!), EFS: \$15, \$10 for High School or below. Info: Randy Pals, 1233 Morningside Dr., Chesterton, IN 46304. (219) 926-2266.

Nov 9, Tuley Park Action Micro Tour, Chicago.

Nov 22-24, 1996 U.S. Class Championships (incorporating the Illinois Class Championships), Rosemont. Maxi.

Nov 23, Chessterton Chess, Westchester Public Library, 200 W. Indiana, Chesterton, IN. 3-SS in 8-12 person sections by rating, time controls 25/60, SD/60. Prizes \$60-30 each section; increased in large sections. Rds: 9:30, 1:30, Info: Randy Pals, 1233 Morningside Dr., Chesterton, IN 46304. (219) 926-2266.

Dec 7, Tuley Park Quick Chess #14, Chicago.

Dec 13-15, USCF National K-12 Scholastic Grade Championships, Columbus, OH

Dec 28, Chessterton Chess, IN.

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Feb 15-16, U.S. Amateur Team Championships Midwest, Rosemont.

Mar 6-9, U.S. Masters, Oak Brook.

Mar 21-23, Mid-America Class Championships, Rosemont.

Apr 11-13, National Open, Las Vegas, NV.

Apr 25-27, USCF "Super Nationals" Elementary, JHS, and HS Championships, Knoxville, KY.

Aug 30- Sep 1, Illinois Open.



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