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28 REALLY GOOD REASONS TO PLAY IN THE ILLINOIS OPEN...

Woodfield Mall for the family.

Nice rooms (last year, we got a suite--unadvertised--for only \$10 a night more than chess rate).

A strong field (GMs Gurevich & Serper last year).

Bill Brock

Really, as I think about it, no one should "labor" over the thought of playing in the Open on that weekend, but should just promptly Open their checkbooks and Chess books and immediately prepare their Openings for that very Open weekend on their calendars.

Dr. Ron Suarez

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Fred Gruenberg

I am sorely under-rated and need a chance to get my rating where it belongs.

There's a bunch of people I see only once a year--at the IL Open, so I have to be there.

Maybe I'll get in the hunt for tour points.

Fred Gruenberg would cut off my supply of imported licorice if I didn't show up.

My husband will play and I need to be there when he runs out of time and loses to some eleven-year-old kid.

Helen Warren

Your love of the game and the thrill of competing with others.

The friendships you will kindle or rekindle.

The things you may learn about the game or even yourself.

Or that I will be there also!!

Or the fact that you would be there, first hand, to lend a different perspective on coverage of the event in the ICB.

Josh Flores

If its true that Goldin is moving to Illinois, it may be one of the strongest Illinois Opens held in some time.

Since the National Open in Las Vegas, Kevin Bachler has been playing terribly and is a great target to pick up some rating points.

Kevin Bachler

It is chance to see how your rating compares to the adult world instead of just other high schoolers.

There is no backlog of homework yet. So go spend several days with chess and others.

It is chance to upset and be upset.

Labor Day barbeques don't really taste that good anyway.

Ken Lewandowski

The ICA works hard to make it a prime event.

You don't have to barbecue that weekend.

It's a great chance to get beaten by nine year olds.

Mike Marsh

President's Podium

If you are a Patron member you received this issue first class just before the Illinois Open and Illinois State Championships over the Labor Day weekend. If you are only a regular member you are probably reading this issue after the Open. Being a patron member not only helps chess in your State but also has other perks. Why not upgrade your membership to a patron for \$35 - \$50 or \$100 now or the next time you renew. Support your local chess programs. Thanks.

For another one day fun tournament come and play in the last Officers' Appreciation tournament of the year at the Morgan Park Methodist Church (home of the 'Put the Fun into Chess' tournaments) October 14th. You'll have a lot of fun and a FREE gourmet barbecue lunch (chicken or ribs with all the trimmings) for all players! Look for details in the tournament announcements in this issue.

And don't forget the Illinois Class Championships the weekend before Thanksgiving. Keep that weekend open for another fun event. Watch for details.



The last ICA Officers and Board meeting will be October 15th at the Grecian Corner Restaurant, 6701 W. 111th Street in Worth. Just a mile west of Cicero and only five minutes from the Cicero exit on 294. There will be a FREE dinner party after the meeting for all attendees. My treat. Just a small thanks for all the support and fun I have had the past two years. Try and make it.

Actually you can get feed FREE twice the weekend of October 14 - 15. Once at the last Officers' Appreciation tournament and another at the board meeting. Whata' deal.

Chess is alive and well in Illinois!! Grandmaster Alexander Goldin is moving to Chicago. I will be assisting GM Goldin in finding housing. We certainly welcome his talent - we now have TWO Grandmasters to our State's credit. Should you wish to schedule GM Goldin for a simul, call me at 708-489-5800.

Thanks again for all your support.

Fred Gruenberg

Nominations sought for ICA election in October

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For information regarding the election phone ICA President Fred Gruenberg at (708) 489-5800 before September 20, 2000.

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From the
editor.

It is exciting when goals are achieved. When I accepted the responsibility of editing the Illinois Chess Bulletin, the primary goal was to move our publication to deliver near its cover date by the September / October issue. For Patron members, this meant receiving the magazine about ten days before September 1st and Regular members receiving theirs within a few days of the 1st. As I write this, there is certainly no way of knowing that there will be no press delays or that bulk mail pieces won't sit in your post office for a bit longer than expected. However, I believe we have achieved the goal of getting our magazine out on time.

The next goal will be to continue to improve the quality of our magazine. This goal is not as easy to define as the last one. However, with your help, we can continue to keep the Illinois Chess Bulletin an award-winning publication.

You will notice, from issue to issue, that slight changes take place that make the magazine a little better—or not as good—as the previous. For example: This issue brings with it a new Games Editor. There has been the absence of a Master strength Games Editor for some time. You will see that FIDE Master Albert Chow, a full-time chess professional, has agreed to fill this position. Regrettably, you will also notice that the author of CHESS WIZARDRY will no longer be providing his work for our enjoyment. Expert Solver Todd Barre has found his plate is overflowing with responsibilities—not only to chess interests—but also to work and family. After much consideration of his time, talent and responsibilities, Todd chose to stop writing his WIZARDRY articles. I will certainly miss his contributions.

In spite of the changes and the things that come and go with the magazine, we still find that as an association of people

who love the game of chess, we produce one of the best chess magazines in the country. While the editor often gets credit for the production, the truth is, a magazine is only as good as those who contribute to it. That being said, congratulations are in order for all who contributed to the ICB over the past year. Because of your efforts, our magazine has again won First Place in the Chess Journalists of America annual award for Best State Magazine with a membership of under 1000. In fact, two of the contributors to the ICB were given recognition for their individual work. Be sure to see the announcement in this issue.

While the ICB is not connected with APCT, APCT is an ICA affiliate, and congratulations are in order for the CJA award won by Helen Warren for Best Postal Magazine.

Again, please accept my thanks to all who contribute to the ICB and chess journalism in Illinois. I realize that at times it can be a thankless task—but your work makes the magazine the First Place Award winner that it is.

Roy Frye

p.s. You should have received your magazine in time to read the 28 really good reasons to play in the Illinois Open (or Illinois State Championship as some call it). As you read through the list, you will see that some are really good reasons for you to play in the tournament some, like being there to support Jim Warren, maybe not. In any case, you have a number of good reasons to play that are not even on the list... and you know they are even better reasons to play. If you have not registered for this \$7,500-prize-fund event, you should do so today!

See you there!

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Delighted

I just want to express my gratitude for being selected as one of the winners in the *Illinois Chess Bulletin* "World Chess Champion Essay Contest". I was delighted to receive the book Mikhail Tal Games 1982-1992 that you sent to me as a recognition for my entry.

Once again, I would like to commend you for the excellent quality of the *Illinois Chess Bulletin* and I will continue to enjoy reading and learning from it.

*Ed Benforado
Lindenhurst, IL*

Satisfied Patron member

I received my first copy of your chess publication this weekend. It is much better than I had ever hoped! It is well worth the \$35 per year!!

*Bob Warzong
Fullerton, CA*

Thanks

Thanks for your letter and the award-winning book. [They were] much appreciated!

*Scott L. Kinsley
Shorewood, WI*

Some info

Here is some info about local chess activity:

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during the summer. When school resumes, the club will meet from 2:30pm until 4:30pm on Tuesdays.

A new club is being organized in Orland Park. It meets at Borders, 15260 LaGrange Road on Sunday afternoons from 3:00 to 6:00pm, but call 708-460-7566 first.

*Alex Seabrook
Lockport, IL*

I have to say this

I've just received my advance copies of the *Illinois Chess Bulletin*, and I have to say this is your best issue ever. ICB is now setting the standard the others will try to meet.

*Al Lasoff
Metro Vice President
Morton Grove, IL*

Request for help

My son, Samsonkin Artiom, born 1989, has been playing chess since he was eight and a half years old. He is the first category player as far as our national sport grading is concerned. In 1998 he was the first in the chess championship of Minsk for children aged up to ten years old. Minsk is the capital of the Republic of Belarus (former Soviet Socialist Republic of Byelorussia). In 1999 he was the second best in the whole of Belarus. In September 1999 he took part in the European Youth championship which was held in Litoro, Greece. He stood ninth among children of up to ten years old. The results of the championship can be found on the Internet site http://euro99.chess.gr/standings_boys.html...

Due to a very complicated economical situation in Belarus our government can not provide any financial support at present and it is hardly possible in future. All the trips to take part in chess competitions in Belarus, former Soviet Republics and abroad are paid for by parents. But without government support we can not provide necessary conditions for our son's further improvement and for achieving maximum development of his abilities.

Could you kindly render us assistance in receiving an invitation for my family (four people) to come to the USA for half a year? We would be obliged if our son takes part in chess competitions and takes up chess in one of the clubs. Traveling, accommodation and daily expenses will be borne by us. We can afford staying in the USA only for one or two months.

Could you render assistance in getting any temporary job for me and for my wife to pay for food and renting an apartment.

Perhaps you would be interested in [Samsonkin Artiom] as a promising chess player and we could count upon you for future assistance.

I am 40 years old. I graduated from Minsk Pedagogical University of Foreign Languages in 1982 and worked as an English teacher in the University of Linguistics and Economics. My wife is 40 years old. She graduated from two Universities and had her higher education in Accounting and Programming. But we could do any job in the USA.

I would be very grateful if I had an answer from you.

Alexander Samsonkin

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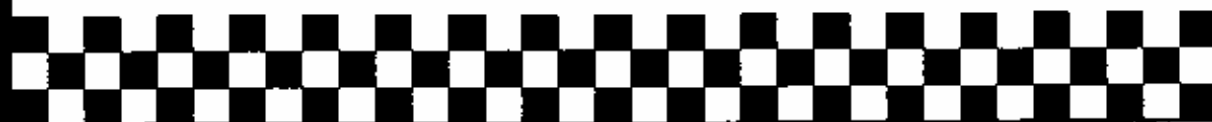


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Master Challenge: Big success

In spite of its troubled history, Master Challenge returns a success!

by Roger Birkeland

After a couple of years off because of financial difficulties, Master Challenge, a tournament with a long but troubled history, returned this year as a big success. With a \$4000 prize fund, a new site and new organizers, Master Challenge drew an exceptionally strong field that included GM Gregory Serper, IMs Osman Palos, Dominik Pedzich and Mark Paragua, and top local masters Dejan Maksimovic, Albert Chow and Steve Szpisjak. The tournament was held on June 16, 17 & 18 in the Frick Center at Elmhurst College, which is rapidly becoming known as one of the top playing sites in the Chicago area. GM Serper, after viewing the President's Dining Room where players on the top 10 boards would compete, exclaimed "Beautiful! Better than conditions at the U. S. Championship."

One of factors that contributed to this year's success was the joint sponsorship of the tournament by the St. Charles Chess Club and the Elmhurst Chess Club. Jeff Wiewel, president of the St. Charles Club, Roger Birkeland, president of the Elmhurst Club, and Blair Machaj, who is heavily involved with both clubs, worked hard to insure the tournament's success and also served as tournament directors. Despite being held on Father's Day weekend (the only June weekend the site was available) and in direct competition with a new Continental Chess Association tournament—the Mid America Open— in Des Moines the same weekend, Master Challenge drew 101 players, a larger and much stronger field than the CCA tournament.

About 40 players chose the three-day schedule and played the first round on Friday night. The rest of the field opted for the two-day schedule and played a first round game at a time control of Game/75 on Saturday morning before joining the others for the second round on Saturday afternoon. Accelerated pairings, traditional at Master Challenge,



Roy Frye photo

It is no wonder GM Serper claimed the conditions were better than at the U.S. Championship — Individual tables and padded armchairs added outstanding comfort and class to this tournament.

were used the first two rounds and made for many interesting match-ups right from the start. The chief reason to use accelerated pairings, though, is to insure that there is no more than one perfect score in a one-section tournament of this size. This worked beautifully, as no one achieved a perfect score of 5-0.

GM Gregory Serper, IM Dominik Pedzich and IM Mark Paragua all scored 4.5-0.5 to share the \$1600 earmarked for the first three finishers. Paragua, the 16-year-old prodigy from the Philippines, also won \$100 and a *Chronos* clock donated by Ed Cummins (of Chess, Etc.) for "best junior." Serper and Paragua were paired in round four, Sunday morning, and agreed to a quick draw. The game started a few minutes late when a clock had to be located, and Serper, who admitted to being sleepy and to a dislike of morning rounds, later remarked "It took more time to find a clock than to play the game." In the most dramatic game of the tournament, Pedzich defeated Osman Palos on board 2 in the fourth round. Palos, the wily Bosnian IM, had sacrificed a pawn for the initiative and had his opponent in his sights and in time pressure. Pedzich, with about two minutes left in the final time

control, was cool under pressure and it was Palos, who had not much more time remaining, who went wrong and lost the full point. In the decisive game of the last round, GM Serper narrowly squeezed out a win in a six hour rook and pawn endgame battle with local master Dejan Maksimovic.

Jim Marshall and Florentino Inumerable, both with the excellent result of 4-1, shared the top two prizes (\$400) in the expert section. Junior Kenneth Huang also scored 4-1 to take the first prize of \$250 in class A. Veteran Roger Allison (3.5-1.5) took home the \$250 first prize in class B, and Jim Burnett, juniors Brett Collins and Yahshua Hosch (all at 3-2) split the top prizes (\$500) in class C. The top prizes in the under 1400 category (\$400) were shared by Mike Cummings, Clint Homan and young junior Jonathan Lung, all with 3-2.

Master Challenge was enjoyed by the organizers as well as by the participants, and next summer we hope to bring you an even better version of this popular tournament.

See the games that follow, annotated by FIDE Master Albert Chow. Crosstables follow.

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GAMES

by FIDE Master Albert Chow

(1) Pullin, M - Gast, B [E99]

Master Challenge.

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0!?

Hoping to provoke 5. e5 Ne8 when according to hypermodern theory White's pawns may be overextended.

5.Be2 d6 6.Nf3 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7

The famous main line of White's classical variation vs. the king's Indian.

9.Ne1 Nd7 10.Be3 f5 11.f3 f4 12.Bf2 g5

13.b4 Ng6 14.c5 Nf6

There are many alternative moves in this variation but the theme remains the same: White attacks queenside --Black attacks kingside.

15.Rc1 Rf7 16.cxd6 cxd6 17.Nd3 h5 18.Qh3?!

White should prevent or at least slow



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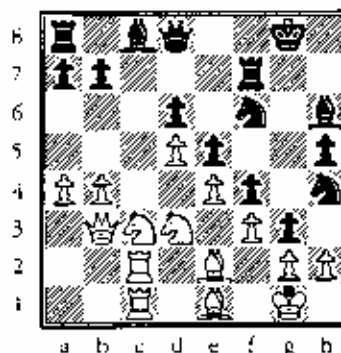
Playing with a set and clock donated by Chess, Etc., Justin Daniel defends against IM Osman Palos. Although the guy in the middle seems to be giving a little help to Justin, the round went to chess master Palos.

down Black's kingside pawnstorm break with 18.h3!

18...g4! 19.Rc2 Bh6! 20.Rfc1 g3! 21. Be1

Capturing with 21.hxg3 fxg3 22.Bxg3 Bxc1! 23.Rxc1 h4 wins material...for Black!

21...Nh4 22.a4



If White wanted to stop the dubious sacrifice on g2, the Petrosian-like 22.Bf1 would be an over-defense.

22...Nxc2?!

A high price to pay in order to distract White's queenside buildup when instead the thematic [22...Rg7! gives counter

play.]

23.Kxg2 Qd7 24.Kb1??

White had a good defense with 24.Bf1 Qh3+ 25.Kg1 but as often happens an unexpected sacrifice switches on panic mode based more on emotion than calculation.

24...Qh3 25.Bf1??

It was still possible to defend h2 along the second rank by returning material with 25.Bxg3!! fxg3 26.Bf1 Qh4 27.Rb1

25...Qxf1#

0-1

(2) Aaron, M (2140) - Paragua, M [E98]

Master Challenge,

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.

Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7

9.Ne1 Ne8 10.g4!?

An ambitious attempt to gain space that demands accuracy to prove it's weakening of squares f4 and h4 isn't more important.

10...f5 11.f3 h6 12.Be3?

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The only chance to fight for the kingside lines was 12.h4!

12...fxg4 13.fxg4 Rxf1+ 14.Kxf1?!

More solid was 14.Bxf1

14...g5! 15.Nd3 Ng6! 16.Kg2?!

If the king must move it is more solid to stay away from the checks of Ng6 by 16.Kg1

16...Nf6 17.h3?!

Passive defence was not as good as queenside counter play with 17.c5!

17...c5! 18.a3

18.dxc6 bxc6 also favors Black.

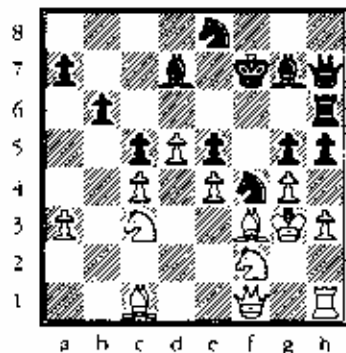
18...Bd7 19.Nf2?

Backward retreat weakens f4. Better was the lever push 19.b4!

19...Nf4+ 20.Kg3

20.Bxf4 exf4 opens the Bg7 dream diagonal.

20...Kf7! 21.Qd2 h5! 22.b4 b6 23.Qb2 Qh8! 24.Rh1 Qh7 25.Bf3 Qg6 26.bxc5 dxc5! 27.Qb1 Rh8 28.Qd1 Ne8 29.Qf1 Rh6! 30.Bc1 Qh7



Black calmly builds the pressure while White aimlessly wanders with his queen. Trying to change this trend, White busts open lines but only speeds up Black's attack.

31.gxh5 Nxh5+ 32.Bxh5+ Rxh5 33.d6? Kg8! 34.Nd5 Nxd6 35.Ng4? Bxg4 36.Kxg4 Qxe4+! 37.Kxh5 Qb4+ 38.Kg6 Qh6# 0-1

(3) Paragua, M - Brock, W (2000) [A07]

Master challenge (2).

[Albert Chow]

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 0-0 5.d3 d5 6.Nbd2 Nbd7 7.e4 dxe4 8.dxe4 e5 9.h3 Re8 10.Bb2 b6 11.Qe2 Bb7 12.Rfd1 Qe7

Although Black has equalized from the opening, this does not stop Paragua from continuing to make good moves, challenging Brock to do the same.

13.a4 Nc5 14.Ba3 Nfd7 15.a5 Rad8 16.Bb4 Qf6 17.Ne1 Ne6 18.c3 Ndc5?!

Missing a chance to trade the bad bishop with 18...Bf8!

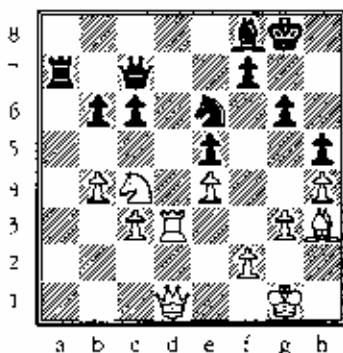
19.axb6 axb6 20.Bxc5 Nxc5 21.b4 Ne6 22.Nc2 Ra8! 23.Rxa8 Rxa8 24.Ne3 Qd8 25.Nd5 c6 26.Ne3 Ra2 27.Qe1 Qc7 28.h4 h5?! 29.Nde4 Bf8 30.Rd3! Ba6

Better was 30...Ra8! with the idea of challenging the d-file with Rd8.

31.Qd1 Bxc4?

Brock should have kept alive the light-squared bishop's important work. For example: 31...Bc8! stopping Rd7.

32.Nxc4 Ra7 33.Bh3!



33...Ng7??

Counter play with 33...b5! 34.Bxe6 fxe6 35.Ne3 c5! would activate the pieces without bias against the doubled e-pawns.

34.Rd7 Qb8 35.Nxe5! Rxd7 36.Nxd7 Qd8 37.Qd4

1-0

(4) Cohen, L (2100) - Marshall, J (2200) [E61]

Master Challenge (3).

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0 5.e3 e5 6.Nge2 d6 7.0-0 c6 8.d4 Nbd7 9.Rb1 a5 10.b3 Qc7?! 11.Bb2 Nh5?

The horse on the rim is grim. Correct was central clarification with 11...exd4

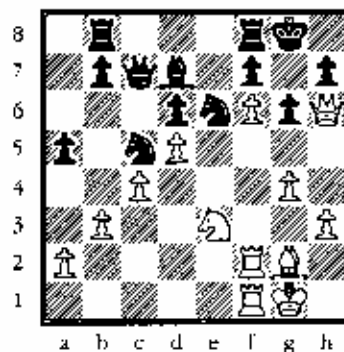
12.g4!

Larry is not afraid to gain space with tempo.

12...Nhf6 13.h3 Ne8? 14.f4! exd4 15.Nxd4 Nc5 16.f5! Qe7 17.e4 Nc7 18.Qd2 N7a6 19.Nc2 Be5 20.f6! Qc7

20...Bxf6? 21.Nd5! cxd5 22.Bxf6 wins for White.

21.Qh6 Ne6 22.Nd5! cxd5 23.exd5 Bxb2 24.Rxb2 Nac5 25.Ne3 Rb8? 26.Rb2 Bd7



With overwhelming strategic advantage, White must have a breakthrough combo. Larry is up to the task and puts the icing on the cake.

27.Rf5!! Kh8

27...gxf5 28.Rxf5 forces mate.

28.dxe6 Nxe6

White to move and force Black into checkmate with three best moves!

29.Rh5! gxh5 30.Be4!

1-0

(5) Chow, A - Aramil, W [A24]

Master challenge,

[Albert Chow]

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Nge2 e5 7.0-0 Nbd7

Why block the development of Bc8 when there are natural moves such as 7...Nc6!

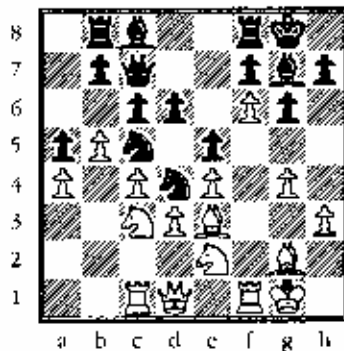
8.d3 c6 9.h3 Qc7?! 10.Be3 a6 11.Rc1 Rb8 12.a4 Nc5?

Bad timing since Aramil could avoid his horse getting pushed around with 12...a5!

13.b4! Ne6 14.f4! Nd7 15.f5! Nd4 16.g4 a5 17.b5

The hypermodern junior has little respect for the classical value of space advantage and continues to blitz his moves without regard for the strategy of his opponent despite the fact that the time control was 40/2.

17...Nc5? 18.f6



18...Bh8??

Giving away a pawn and the center squares because Aramil could not see the intermezzo move 18...Nxe2+! is check!

19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Bxd4 Be6 21.g5 Qd7 22.Kh2 Qc7 23.Be3 Nd7 24.Nd5! Bxd5 White's advantage is clear after 24...cxd5 25.cxd5 Qd8 26.dxe6 fxe6 27.Qb3 Qe8 28.d4

25.cxd5 e5 26.h4 b6 27.Bh3 Rfe8 28.Bxd7 Qxd7 29.Qf3 Rbc8 30.Re2 Re7 31.Qh3 Qd8 32.Kg1 Rc8 33.h5 Re7 34.hxg6 fxg6 35.f7+ Rxf7 36.Rxf7 Kxf7 37.Qxh7+ 1-0

(6) Benesa, A (2175) - Chow, A (2285)

[E63]

Master Challenge (2).

[Albert Chow]

1.Nf3 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.d4 Nf6 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 Ne6 7.Nc3 a6 8.b3 Rb8 9.a4 Bd7 10.h3 e5 11.Bb2

White gets nothing from 11.dxe5 Nxe5 = or 11.d5 Nd4! 12.Nxd4 exd4 13.Qxd4 Nxd5! 14.Qxd5 Bxc3

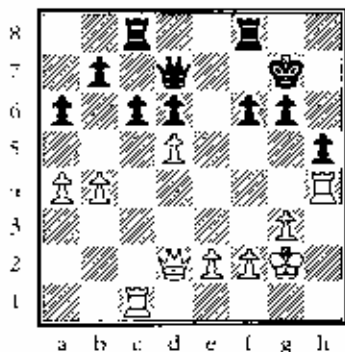
11...exd4 12.Nxd4 Qc8 13.Nd5!?

Exchanging with 13.Nxc6 bxc6 makes the b3 pawn backward.; 13.h4 was playable; but not the trap 13.Kh2?? Nxd4! 14.Qxd4 Ng4+ discovered attack.

13...Nxd5 14.cxd5 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxh3 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Re1 Bxg2 18.Kxg2 Qd7

Benesa has obtained open lines and good piece play in exchange for the gambit pawn.

19.Qd2 f6 20.Rh1 h5 21.Rh4 e6 22.b4 Rbc8



23.Rhc4 exd5 24.Qxd5 Rxc4 25.Rxc4 Rf7 26.b5 axb5 27.axb5 Qd8 28.Rd4 Qb6 29.e3 Qe5 30.Qe6 Qxb5 31.Rxd6 Qe5 32.e4 b5 33.f4 Qc2+ 34.Kf3 Qc3+ 35.Kg2 Qb2+ 36.Kh3 Qa1 37.Kg2 Qb2+

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3	PEDZICH Dominik	IL	2295	W30	W12	W26	W4	H	4.5	19M
4	PALOS Osman	IL	2437	W29	W14	W42	L3	W22	4	12M
5	CHOW Albert C	IL	2274	W99	D13	W20	D9	W26	4	12M
6	MARSHALL James	IL	2163	W81	L26	W67	W32	W27	4	12MX
7	INUMERABLE Flore	IL	2087	W33	L19	W75	W31	W36	4	12MX
8	HUANG Kenneth	IL	1883	W65	L11	W73	W38	W24	4	12MXA
9	MAKSIMOVIC Dejan	IL	2273	W100	W44	W38	D5	L1	3.5	7M
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37	ENGELIN Mark	IL	1595	W89	L15	W41	L17	W75	3	6MXABC
38	LUNG Richard	IL	1532	W58	W61	L9	L8	W62	3	6MXABC
39	CUMMINGS Michael	IL	1369	L79	W86	L32	W78	W63	3	6MXABCD
40	HOMON Clint	IL	1362	H	D53	L45	W61	W65	3	6MXABCD
41	LUNG Jonathan	IL	959	L72	W98	L37	W74	W64	3	6MXABCDEP
42	GORLIN Yelena	IL	2117	W32	W88	L4	D46	L20	2.5	5MX
43	SANTANA Miguel	IL	2076	W45	L1	W65	D33	L18	2.5	5MX
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49	HUBBARD Andrew	IL	1700	L80	W50	H	D75	D57	2.5	5MXAB
50	BAUMANN Herbert	TX	1686	L88	L49	D86	W90	W83	2.5	5MXAB
51	GIERTZ Charles E	IL	1590	W98	L25	W84	L27	D59	2.5	5MXABC
52	ALLES Tim S	IL	1497	W87	L32	L17	D85	W84	2.5	5MXABC
53	RODRIGUEZ Jose A	IL	1493	D85	D40	H	W80	L29	2.5	5MXABC
54	DODSON Kermit	IL	1473	W96	L45	D44	L18	W87	2.5	5MXABC
55	CYGAN Joseph	IL	1458	W93	L33	D80	D64	D45	2.5	5MXABC
56	SHELLHAMER Ted	IL	1431	H	D70	L27	W93	D48	2.5	5MXABC
57	BLACKMAN Wm	IL	1392	W95	L35	L30	W94	D49	2.5	5MXABCD
58	PEKOVIC Jusuf	IL	1110	L38	W102	D64	L29	W82	2.5	5MXABCDE
59	DICKEY Douglas	IL	1090	L22	L21	W97	W70	D51	2.5	5MXABCDE
60	SATTERLEE Ray	IL	1969	H	H	W68	F36	-	2	4MXA
61	COHEN Howard	IL	1832	L19	L38	W87	L40	W90	2	4MXA
62	FLORES Joshua	IL	1727	L17	W73	W83	L24	L38	2	4MXAB
63	ALBERTS Walter A	IL	1700	L44	D75	D85	X96	L39	2	4MXAB
64	GIANNOKOPOULOS IL	IL	1644	W77	L16	D58	D55	L41	2	4MXAB

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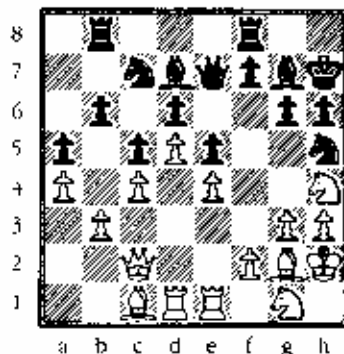
It proves difficult to make progress and avoid perpetual check.

38.Kg1 Ra7 39.Rd7+ Rxd7 40.Qxd7+ Kg8 41.Qe8+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kg8 43.Qe8+ Kg7 44.Qe7+ 1/2-1/2

(7) Aramil,W (1900) - Cast,B (2000) [E67]

Master Challenge (5)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 d6 5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.Qc2 c6 9.Rd1 Re8 10.e4 a5 11.b3 Qb6 12.d5 Qc7 13.Ba3 c5 14.Bb2 Qd8 15.Re1 Rf8 16.Rad1 Ne8 17.Nb5 b6 18.Nb4 Kh7 19.Be1 Nd6 20.b3 Nb5 21.Kh2 Bd7 22.Nc3 b6 23.a4 Qe7 24.Ne2 Rb8 25.Ng1 Nc7



With no pawns nor pieces yet exchanged there could still be a battle ahead but the two jr. talents seem afraid to risk a conflict and so Draw agreed.

1/2-1/2

(8) Aaron,M (2145) - Ramos,F (1600) [A70]

Master Challenge (3),

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.Nf3 Bg4?!

Inaccurate development of the queenside before the kingside. [Book is 7...Bg7]

8.Qa4+! Bd7 9.Qb3 Qc7 10.b3 Nb6?

I don't know how a fianchetto fan could avoid the traditional 10...Bg7!

11.Bf4 Bg7 12.Bc2 Rc8?

Ramos is determined to "improve" on the obvious 12...0-0!

13.Nd2! 0-0 14.Nc4! Ne8 15.0-0

Compare the centralized white knights to the handicapped dark horses.

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Playing conditions were not only favorable on the top boards, but also in the main playing rooms. Individual tables and ideal lighting made Master Challenge a great event.

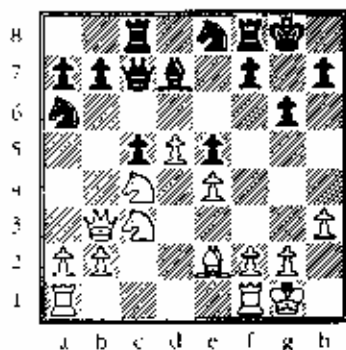
65	MUSSELMAN Chris	IL	1577	L8	W85	L43	W76	L40	2	4MXABC
66	WITEK Gregory A	IL	1571	W76	L27	L12	W71	L28	2	4MXABC
67	SHOCKLEY Robert	IL	1559	W83	L29	L6	W91	L31	2	4MXABC
68	STAPLES Carl	IL	1557	W90	L30	L60	W89	L32	2	4MXABC
69	VENUSO Michael A	IL	1548	W92	L31	H	D28	L30	2	4MXABC
70	KITTSLEY Scott L	WI	1504	H	B56	L14	L30	W92	2	4MXABC
71	MICKLICH Frank T	IL	1497	W94	D81	L25	L20	H	2	4MXABC
72	SEIBEL Dennis	IL	1434	W41	L20	W29	L73	L34	2	4MXABC
73	PRUIC Abdulrah	IL	1398	W97	L62	L8	W92	L35	2	4MXABCD
74	LOPEZ Philip	IL	1370	W78	L34	L31	L41	W93	2	4MXABCD
75	DUPUIS Erik G	IL	1362	W101	D63	L7	D40	L17	2	4MXABCD
76	HUANG Winston	IL	1342	L66	W93	L33	L63	W94	2	4MXABCD
77	FITZGERALD Martin	IL	1312	L64	B	L46	L66	W95	2	4MXABCD
78	GUO Shao-Yun	IL	875	L74	W90	L21	L39	W85	2	4MXABCDEF
79	OHLHAUSEN David	IL	781	W39	L36	L18	H	H	2	4MXABCDEF
80	WARREN James E	IL	1935	W49	L10	D51	L53		1.5	3MXA
81	BUTNEY William P	IL	1810	L4	D71			B	1.5	3MXA
82	RAMOS Fabian	IL	1556	W91	D18	L15	L44	L57	1.5	3MXABC
83	BEALIBAN Brian	IL	1220	L67	W95	L62	H	L30	1.5	3MXABCD
84	DUNCAN Thomas	IL	1090	W102	L47	L11	L37	L52	1.5	3MXABCDE
85	GHODAK David N	IL	1066	D53	L65	D61	D52		1.5	3MXABCDE
86	ILIC Lazar S	IL	1016	L23	L39	D30	L67	W97	1.5	3MXABCDE
87	DUPUIS Brian M	IL	1010	L52	H	L61	L36	L54	1.5	3MXABCDE
88	HERNANDEZ Hector	IL	1900	W50	L42	L23			1	2MXA
89	HERONIMUS Angeli	IL	1276	L37	W94	L36	L33	L75	1	2MXABCD
90	KLINK Steven	IL	1174	L64	L78	W95	L80	L61	1	2MXABCDE
91	KASSIN David	IL	1146	L92	W97	L35	L41		1	2MXABCDE
92	LEWIS Richard	IL	1114	L48	W96	L38	L38		1	2MXABCDE
93	SHANLEY William	IL	1053	L55	L70	W98	L26	D74	1	2MXABCDE
94	HAMMOTH Brandon	IL	984	L50	L89	W102	L10	L76	1	2MXABCDEF
95	CHEN Byron	IL	903	L17	L43	L30	L30	L72	1	2MXABCDEF
96	COVIC Zlatan	IL		L54	L92	B	L65		1	2M
97	GLYNN Nathan	IL		L73	L91	L59	B	L86	1	2M
98	GASUNAS Anthony	IL	1185	L51	L41	L93	L95	H	0.5	1MXABCDE
99	ARAMIL William J	IL	1831	L5					0	
100	EASTER John L	IN	1824	L9	L22				0	
101	GAPUZ Wilfredo C	IL	1665	L75	L48				0	
102	POTRATZ Bruce	IL	1533	L84	L58	L94			0	

Hundreds of chess players could have seen your ad on this page.

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15...Be5?

Instead of trading the best bishop, better was 15...Rb8 (threatening b5) 16.a4 Nb4 16.Bxe5 dxe5



17.d6!!

The Benoni busted

17...Nxd6??

17...Qb8! was forced

18.Nd5! Qb8 19.Nf6+ Kg7 20.Nxd7 Qc7 21.Nxf8 Nxe4 22.Qc3 1-0

(9) Leung, D (1700) - Innumerable, F (2150) [E73]

Master Challenge.

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 e5 4.d5 d6 5.e4 Nf6 6.Be2 Na6 7.Be3 Nc7 8.Qd2 Ng4!?

9.Bxg4 Bxg4 10.f3 Bd7 11.Nge2? It is vital to prevent the b5 counterstrike by 11.a4!

11...b5! 12.Bh6!?

Normal development is recommended to avoid awkward problems for example 12.cxb5! Nxb5 13.0-0

12...Bf6!? 13.h4?

It was not too late to not gambit and castle by 13.cxb5! Nxb5 14.0-0

13...Rg8?!

13...bxc4

14.g4 bxc4

The white king is more exposed than Black's

15.Bg5 Bb8 16.h5 Nb5 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Nxb5 Bxb5 19.Nc3 Qa5 20.Ke2 Kd7! 21.Rh3 Bd4 22.Ra1 Rh8 23.Qf4 Rxh3 24.Rxh3 f6 25.Rh7? fxg5 26.Qf7 Re8 27.Qe6+ Kd8 28.e5 Bxe5 29.Nxb5 Qxb5 30.Qxg6 e3+ 31.Kd1 Qf1+ 32.Kc2 Qe2+ 33.Kb3 Qxb2+ 0-1

(10) Warren, J (2000) - Hubbard, A (1800) [E43]

Master challenge.

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 b6 5.Bd3 Bb7 6.Nf3 Ne4 [6...0-0 7.0-0] 7.Qc2 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 f5 9.0-0 d6?

According to opening theory one should castle early and often 9...0-0!

10.Nd2! Nf6 11.e4! Ng4? 12.h3 Nh6 13.exf5 exf5 14.Bxf5

White is already winning so Hubbard gambles a bishop with

14...Bxg2? 15.Re1+! Kf8 16.Be4??

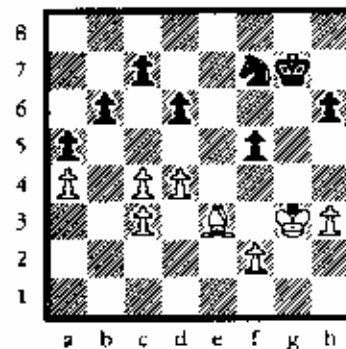
It was not too hard to calculate 16.Kxg2! Qg5+ 17.Bg4!! Nxd4 18.hxg4 Qxg4+

19.Kf1! with winning material advantage for White.

16...Bxe4 17.Qxe4 Nd7

Hubbard's bluff has paid off with new life.

18.Qf3+ Nf7 19.Ne4 b6 20.Bd2 Re8 21.Qf4? [21.Kh2!] 21...g6 22.Qf3? Kg7 23.Kh2 Nf6 24.Rg1 Nxe4 25.Qxe4 Qf6 26.Rg2 Kh7 27.Rag1 Rhg8 28.Qb7 a5 29.Qe6 Qf5 30.Be3 Nd8 31.Qb5 Nf7 [31...Qxb5! 32.cxb5 d5=] 32.Qxf5 gxf5 33.Rxg8 Rxg8 34.Rxg8 Kxg8 35.a4 Kg7 36.Kg3



36...Ng5??

White is now able to force a winning outside passed-pawn ending. The balance was maintained by 36...Kf6!-

37.Bxg5 hxg5 38.f4! g4

38...Kg6 39.fxg5 Kxg5 40.h4+-

39.hxg4 fxg4 40.Kxg4 Kg6 41.f5+ Kf6 42.d5 Kf7 43.Kg5 Kg7 44.f6+ Kf7 45.Kf5 Kf8 46.Ke6 Ke8 47.f7+ Kf8 48.Kd7 Kx7 49.Kxc7

1-0

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Chess Wizardry

by Todd Barre, U.S. Expert Solver

See "From the editor" on page nine.

The Answer Box

The May-June issue featured our tribute to George Koltanowski. 79 is solved by 1 Qd5+, giving Black three choices in capturing the lady. Checking keys for two-movers are now practically forbidden in the modern problem world. Black also has lots of captures in 80 (composed by Koltanowski), but none help after the key 1 Nb4!. In 81, White willingly parts with his

Rook after 1 Rb5!. If Black accepts the gift, the lonely Pawn does the trick after 1...cxb5, 2 Kc5 b4, 3 Kc4 b3, 4 axb3#. If Black refuses, then White as 1...c5, 2 Rxa5+ Kb4, 3 Rxc5 Ka4, 4 Rc4#. In 82 (van Dehn), a major piece promotion leads to stalemate. But White has just enough moves after 1 a8N! d3, 2 Nb6 cxb6, 3 c7 b5, 4 c8N! b4, 5 Nd6 exd6, 6 e7 d5, 7 e8N! d4, 8 Nf6 gxf6, 9 b7 f5, 10 g8N#!. In our first study, 83 (Kubbel), 1 Kh6! forces the Black King to stick with the Bishop while White's Knight gets into position. After 1...Kh8, 2 Nh4 Kg8, 3 Nf3 Kh8, 4 Ne5 Kg8, 5 Nd7 Kh8, 6 Nf8 Bg8, 7 Ng6#. In 84 (Rinck), the Black Queen is forced into an unfortunate position which allows White to draw. The solution is 1 Rd2! (threatening 2 Ke2 or 2 Kf2#) Qa8, 2 Kf2+! Qxb1, 3 Rd1+! Qxd1 stalemate!

Central States Class: 6-5-0

by Lawrence Cohen

On the July 22-23 weekend, 100 players turned out to play chess at the new Clarion Barcelo Hotel on Cumberland Road next to the I-90/Kennedy expressway. The 6-5-0 is for six sections of five-round swiss that produced zero (no) perfect scores. You would expect the seven-player B section to have no perfect score. However, I was surprised when neither the 23-player C section, nor the 30-player D/E/U section, could produce a perfect score. The reason for the small B section was that a lot of the B players (six total) played up in higher sections.

As a matter of fact, one of the big stories of this tournament has to be the performance of 1727 (soon to be 1800+) Dean Arond in the Expert section. His quick draw in the last round, with (1880) section winner Aaron Chen, left Dean tied for second/third with top-rated Miodir Stevanovic. Dean managed three out of four points (two wins & two draws) against experts, for a performance rating of 2205! Aaron Chen had 3.5 out of four points against four of the top five players in the section, for a perform-



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Tournament organizer Larry Cohen checks the rating list.



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Illinois Chess Association Membership Secretary and Tournament Statistician Bill Smythe plays Gennadiy Gorlin (r) to a draw.

ance rating of 2274! Experts don't expect to see A players, let alone B players, perform like masters. It's like an A player beating a GM — it just shouldn't happen.

In the Master section Aleksandar Stannov proved to be unbeatable, only giving up a draw in the final round to Yelena Gorlin. His 4.5 score was a full point ahead of the rest of the field. Alone in second, at 3.5, was Chicago's perennial player Steven Szpisjak. After his third-round draw with top rated IM Osman Palos, things looked good for

Steve. However, Steve ran aground in the fourth round losing to Denkerite Yelena Gorlin. Speaking of the Illinois' Denker representative — Yelena finished with three points. This was good for a tie for third, but she was awarded top Under 2300. This left Osman Palos with third place at three points. Osman was a little off form, losing to Stannov in round four and drawing with expert Michael Aaron in the final round. Mr. Aaron was 50 percent against masters, losing to Szpisjak and upsetting Kevin Bachler in round one. Michael Aaron tied with Bill Brock for second place in

the Under 2300 section with 2.5 points. Their round four draw was the most dramatic moment of the tournament. Bill, with about 30 seconds left in sudden death, could not blitz out a win against Michael, who had less than five minutes himself.

Andrey Gorlin swept through the class A field for 4.5 points and first. The draw came against second place finisher Daniel Modes, who took a bye in round three to finish with four points. Mehmed Covic finished with three points, losing only to Gorlin and Modes. Tying with Covic for third (at three points) were B players Jason Duncan and Andrew Hubbard. Andrew had to beat Jason in the final round to achieve the tie. Thus, between the A and Expert sections three of six B players were prize winners.

As might be expected, the top two players in the B section tied for first/second. Although Daniel Leung (1770) beat Bob Parsons (1766) in their encounter, a bye and final round draw by Daniel, allowed Bob to catch up with four points. Alone in third was 1485 rated Patrick Perego with three points.

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In class C, Brett Collins and Dennis Seibel tied for first with 4.5 points. They drew when they played each other in round four. Tying for third with four points were Jim Burnett and Gary Levine. Surprisingly, at 1293, Gary was the only perfect score going into the final round but lost to Brett Collins. Jim Burnett's only loss was in round three to Gary Levine, showing a well round section among these four players.

As usual for a class tournament, the D/E/FU section was the largest. Nick Naegeli drove down from Minnesota, and after 4.5 points, drove back home with first place in the section. The highest rated player Nick played was Richard Lewis (1114). This final round confrontation determined the winner. Tying for second/third were Philip Moran and Christopher Nienart with four points. Christopher lost to Douglas Dickey in round three, while Philip lost to Mr. Lewis in round two. Also finishing with



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ICA Treasurer Bill Brock plays Chessmaster Kevin Bachler (r) in the second round Master section. The game went to Kevin.

four points was Wesley Moran (1056) for clear first in the Under 1200 section. Unexpectedly, only two players took advantage of the ten dollar unrated entry fee. Both players were new to the ICA and USCF. Harry Kyriazes won his first two games to walk away with the \$50 unrated prize.

Everybody liked the convenient loca-

tion of the playing site and the playing conditions. As usual there were candy snacks available for the players. However, with 100 players, they went quickly. I am sorry I was unable to re-supply for Sunday. The final Maxi-Tour event of the year (December 30-31, last round done by 4PM) will be held at this site. Hope I'll see you there. □



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Scott Schmidt (1316) concentrates on his game against Jim Burnett.

Central States Class July 22-23, 2000

MASTER		score	tour
1. STAMNOV Aleksandra	FR 2208 W6 W7 W9 W3 D4	4.5	19M
2. SZPISIAK Steven J	IL 2200 W10 W5 D3 E4 W8	3.5	7M
3. PALOS Osman	IL 2437 W11 W4 D2 L1 D5	3	6M
4. GORLIN Yelena	IL 2117 W8 E3 D5 W2 D1	3	6MX
5. AARON Michael E	IL 2007 W9 L2 D4 D6 D3	2.5	5MX
6. BROCK William	IL 1988 L1 L9 W10 D5 W13	2.5	5MXA
7. GAST Bryan	IL 2074 W12 L1 W8 - -	2	4MX
8. REDDIVARI Dushyan	IL 1803 L4 B L7 W10 L2	2	4MXA
9. BACHLER Kevin L	IL 2226 L5 W6 L1 - -	1	2M
10. RIDDLE Robert	IL 1907 L2 X11 L6 L8 - -	1	2MXA
11. FAGAN James B	IL 2096 L3 F10 - - -	0	
12. CHUA Johnson	IL 1985 L7 - - - -	0	
13. SMYTHE Bill	IL 1800 - - - - L60		
EXPERT		score	tour
1. CHEN Aaron	IL 1880 W4 W14 W7 D2 D3	4	12XA
2. STEVANOVIC Miodiril	IL 2171 W11 L7 W6 D1 W8	3.5	7X
3. AROND Dean	IL 1728 D10 D4 W14 W6 D1	3.5	7XAB
4. NGUYEN Tam Duocmin	IL 2151 L1 D3 W13 D10 W9	3	6X
5. RASO Paul	IL 1717 W12 L6 L8 W11 W7	3	6XAB
6. RIDDELL Joshua S	IL 2089 D8 W5 L2 L3 W12	2.5	5X
7. BONDAR Leonid	IL 2032 W9 W2 L1 D8 L5	2.5	5X
8. ARAMIL William J	IL 1831 D6 D10 W5 D7 L2	2.5	5XA
9. LONCAREVIC Robert	IL 1777 L7 W12 D10 W14 L4	2.5	5XAB
10. KLEBAN Yuliy	IL 2018 D3 D8 D9 D4 -	2	4X
11. GORLIN Gennadiy	IL 1967 L2 D13 H L5 W14	2	4XA
12. SAX Robert D	IL 2016 L5 L9 H W13 L6	1.5	3X
13. SMYTHE Bill	IL 1800 L14 D11 L4 L12 B	1.5	3XA
14. ILIC Stanimir M	IL 2087 W13 L1 L3 L9 L11	1	2X
15. COHEN Howard	IL 1832 - W16 - - -	1	
16. ALLISON Roger D	IL 1730 - L15 - - -	0	

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EXTRA

NEWS BRIEFS

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by Senior Master Richard Verber

ICA DUES RAISED

Adults \$18-Juniors \$10

Effective January first, 2001, ICA dues will go up to \$18 for adults and \$10 for juniors. It has been more than nine years since our last dues increase, and rising Illinois Chess Bulletin expenses make it necessary to raise more revenue. Take advantage of this situation right now and join the ICA at the current rate of \$14 for adults and \$8 for juniors. Send your checks to membership Secretary Bill Smythe. You will find his address on the back cover of the magazine.

NOVEMBER ILLINOIS ALL-GRADES TOURNAMENT

Plan now for the big Illinois junior event of the year! Schools and individuals from all over the State of Illinois will be heading for the Ramada O'Hare this No-



ember, in order to participate in the 13 separate sections (K-12) of this great all-grades tournament. The ICA will join in sponsoring this tournament, which will award more than 100 trophies in cooperation with the Illinois High School Chess Coaches Association and Co-Chess, the elementary school chess association.

USCF RATING DEFLATION

Have you ever had that sinking feeling that you're getting older, that things are getting harder not easier, and that your USCF rating has been falling steadily for the past two or three years? Well, cheer up! You are not alone. It is happening to almost everyone. USCF rating deflation has become such a serious problem since 1998 that many of Chicago's top masters, such as Al Chow, Marvin Dandridge, Steve Sticack, have dropped almost 100 points. The simple rule is this: The more you played, the more you lost. Only the most talented younger players have managed to buck this trend. There are many causes for this serious deflation, but the most important one is the huge disparity between the growing number of USCF juniors and the declining number of USCF adults. Kevin Bachler was certainly correct when he argued a couple of years ago in the ICB that junior USCF

members were grossly under rated and that this would eventually lead to major distortion throughout the entire USCF rating system.

NEW ICB EDITOR

Many ICA members will remember Roy Frye as the soft-spoken organizer at the Radisson Hotel chess club in Lisle, a few years back. Roy also served as the junior chess editor, working with M. L. Rantala, to produce an award-winning *Illinois Chess Bulletin* in 1998. Roy Frye has turned the ICB into one of the top state magazines in the country, alongside the excellent New England chess publication, *Chess Horizons*. It is a wonder that Roy finds the time to do such an excellent job as ICB editor—since he must divide his time with his many other duties, such



as performing weddings and funerals, serving as chaplain at Rush-Copley Medical Center in Aurora, and working as a freelance as a photojournalist for far-west suburban newspapers.

HELP PROMOTE CHESS IN ILLINOIS BY BECOMING A PATRON MEMBER

Contributing ICA members not only receive their Illinois Chess Bulletin by first-class mail, but they also take an active roll in spreading chess throughout Illinois. The flow of information regarding chess tournaments, the Illinois chess banquet,

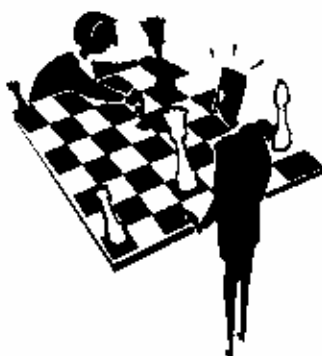


and the result of major chess events, foster a sense of chess community and chess culture. Say "thank you" to your local chess club officers and tournament directors who give hundreds of hours of their time, by writing a check to the ICA for \$35 or \$50. For those of us who love chess, but have numerous job and family commitments, it is much easier to contribute our money instead of our time. Please be generous in helping to build chess in Illinois.

by Senior Master Richard Verber

New ICA Chess Mentor program gives kids the gift of chess in their lives

The best way to bring kids aged ten to 18 into the world of chess is with a gift subscription to the Illinois Chess Bulletin. Your contribution of \$40 to the new



ICA chess mentor program will enrich the lives of five kids, \$80 will help ten kids, \$160 will sponsor 20 kids. Children and teens that receive the Illinois Chess Bulletin are much more likely to adopt chess as a life-long hobby!

Send your contribution earmarked "for the ICA Mentor Program" to Bill Smythe, ICA Membership Secretary, whose address is listed in the back cover of this publication. If you want to select the kids to receive gift subscriptions yourself, please include their name, address, city and zip code, and age. Otherwise, the ICA Junior Chess Committee will determine gift-recipient subscriptions.

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will have their generosity acknowledged in the Illinois Chess Bulletin.

ICA membership hits 761—Goal is 1000 by year-end

As we go to press with this issue of the Illinois Chess Bulletin, ICA membership stands at 761—approximately 560 adults and 201 juniors. In addition, the ICA contributes the Illinois Chess Bulletin to 200 schools and libraries in order foster chess education in Illinois. Your contribution to the ICA Mentor Program will help us to do this type of chess education on an even larger scale.

Congratulations Aaron 14-year-old Aaron Chen earns his Expert title

This has been a very good summer of chess for high school freshman Aaron Chen. Beginning the summer with a very respectable rating in the 1880s, Aaron has zoomed along during the past two months, thanks to a 5 ½ - 3 ½ performance at the World Open, and an even more impressive 4 to 1 first place finish in the expert section of Larry Cohen's recent Central States Class tournament.

When Aaron begins his sophomore year this September at the prestigious Illinois Math and Science Academy in Aurora, his new rating of 2022 will assure him first board on a team that is a perennial contender for the State high school team chess Title. Evanston High School and Main South High School in Park Ridge can also be expected to have powerhouse teams in the coming academic year.

Whitewater, Wisconsin Chess Camp attracts record crowd of 205 this summer

The Whitewater Chess Camp seems to get bigger and better each year. This is largely because of the loving



care and attention to detail provided by organizers Mark and Carrie Lencho, who founded the Whitewater, Wisconsin Chess Camp in 1994. This year's camp was again held at the University of Wisconsin Whitewater at the end of July and featured Grandmasters Kaidanov, Gurevich, Serper, and Kudrin. Quite a Russian chess training school transplanted to the Midwest of

America.

Many-time Wisconsin State Chess Champion Josh Manion served as camp director. As usual, there was a preponderance of entrants from the Midwest: Illinois 100, Wisconsin 22, Michigan 14, Minnesota 12, Indiana 11, etc. For more information regarding this "BEST OF ALL AMERICAN CHESS CAMPS", phone 262-472-1100. Mrs. Lencho will be happy to help you.

17-year-old John Bolton wins \$5,000 at Chicago Open, \$3,250 at World Open!

Who says there is no money in chess? John Bolton, a recent high school graduate from south-suburban Frankfort, Illinois, knows better! After all, how many 17-year-olds earned \$8,000 this summer—in just nine days of competition—at their favorite hobby?

No doubt, the highest rated adults at Larry Cohen's south-suburban Park Forest Chess Club will be sorry to be seeing John Bolton leaving town to go to college in California. John has been terrorizing all of these higher rated players at Park Forest in recent months creating his own TOR-NADO OF RATING DEFLATION. God protect those poor USCF adults in California.

Chronos tips and tricks

Bill Smythe shares a few tricks undiscovered by most owners

by Bill Smythe

Those of you who have played me in tournaments know that my favorite chess clock is the *Chronos*. Over the years I have learned a few tricks apparently undiscovered by most *Chronos* owners.

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If you have the older model, with a switch on the bottom, you are well aware of mode CH-A2, which is ideal for single time controls of up to 99 minutes. But, when there are two time controls, most of you resort to mode DL-2A, which displays the 5-second delay as a flashing hyphen rather than as a digit.

Trick number S-1: DL-2B is better than DL-2A. In mode DL-2B, the delay is displayed as a digit once the main time gets down below one hour in the first control. It is also displayed this way during the entire second control.

Trick number S-2: DL-2B can also be used for single time controls, such as game in two hours, which exceed the 99-minute limit of CH-A2. Just set the first time control to 2:00:00, the second to 0:00:00, and the delay to five seconds.

Trick number S-3: If you like the move counter, you can choose mode DL-C2A for two controls, or DL-C3A for three. But I sometimes like the move counter even if there is just one control - it could help the TD in a 50-move situation, for example. The *Chronos* has no single-control move-counter mode, but you can use DL-C2A or DL-C3A. Just set the second and third controls to

0:00:00, all the move counts to 00, and, of course, the delay to five seconds

The above tricks are numbered with the letter S because they apply to the model with a switch on the bottom.

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If you own the newer model, which is turned on simply by pressing the center button, you should first figure out which "newer" model you have. There have been at least two, perhaps three or four. The first "newer" models were quite limited, and were manufactured for only a few months before popular demand dictated some enhancements. Owners of these early "newer" models have my sympathies, but do not have any of the nifty features outlined below.

Most of you resort to modes DL-SD1, DL-SD2, and DL-SD3 in tournaments of one, two, and three time controls respectively. These modes display the delay as flashing colons rather than as a digit. Of course, if all the controls are 99 minutes or less you can use CH-A1, CH-A2, or CH-A3.

Trick number N-1 (N stands for newer): Modes AN-1, AN-2, and AN-3 are extremely nice. They always display the five-second delay as a digit, but when the delay gets down to zero, all the digits of the main time are displayed. When the main time gets down below one hour, all the digits are displayed even during the delay. The only drawback is that when the five seconds has expired, the delay is displayed as a blank rather than as a zero, even if the main time is under an hour. This can make it difficult for a passing TD to tell whether the delay has been set.

Trick number N-2: You can turn the

move counter on by using mode DL-C1B for two controls, or DL-C2B for three. If you like the move counter even with just one control, use either of the above. Just set the second and third controls to 0:00:00, the second and third delays to zero, and all move counts to 00.

Warning: Don't try this trick (setting second and third controls to 0:00:00) with modes AN-2 or AN-3. For some reason, these modes interpret 0:00:00 as ten hours. In these modes, you must select the one with the correct number of controls - AN-1 for one control, AN-2 for two, etc.

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And now for some Blitz advice. This trick works for all *Chronos* models:

Trick number B-1: For five-minute Blitz without a delay, use CH-F2 instead of CH-F1. That way, five button presses instead of two are required to reset the clock, so you're unlikely to reset accidentally in the middle of a game. In addition, mode CH-F2 allows a mid-game time adjustment, for example, the addition of two minutes if an opponent plays an illegal move. Just stop the clock, then long-press once on the switchless models, or three times on the older model. (Three long-presses may seem awkward, but it works.)

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One last plea: please, please turn off the BEEP (beep on every move) feature. Some of the most recent *Chronos* specimens are extremely loud. Your neighbors elsewhere in the tournament room can do without. ♁

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Gary Kasparov

and the top seven pretenders to his chess throne

Still World Champion after 15 years – and stronger than ever: FIDE rating 2851!

by Senior Master Richard Verber

Chess players may never agree on who to crown The Greatest Chess Champion. As we look back upon the 19th and 20th centuries, the most frequent nominees are Fischer, Kasparov, Karpov, Tal, Botvinnik, Alekhine, Kapablanca, Lasker, Steinitz, and Morphy. Just about everyone has his favorite. However, a couple of facts are not open to dispute: 1. Kasparov has achieved history's highest FIDE rating of 2851; 2. Fischer is clear second with a top rating of 2810. Unfortunately, Fischer stopped playing chess at the very pinnacle of his success, about eight to ten years before his theoretical prime.

During the 1990's Kasparov has continued to soar, as Karpov, his greatest rival, has succumbed to middle-age and begun to fade. Surely there have been worthy challengers to Kasparov—most notably Karpov, Ivanchuk, Anand, and Short—but Kasparov has remained the obvious king-of-the-hill. Kasparov holds lopsided plus-scores against all of his rivals, except Karpov. Karpov's decline in the past few years has left Kasparov's primacy less in doubt than ever. Anand's progress has stalled, and he does not appear stronger than he was five years ago.

Kasparov—Kramnik World Championship Match is scheduled for October in London

Betting odds will heavily favor Kasparov in this match, but I think the result will be closer than people expect. I predict Kasparov to win by one or two points. Strength and match experience favor Kasparov, but youthful stamina is a big plus for Kramnik. Is it any surprise that the match terms dictated by Kasparov call for a 16-game match? Kasparov knows that Kramnik's chances would improve dramatically in a match of 24 or 31 games. Kasparov has the power to set advantageous match terms, since he, long ago, wrested control in these matters from FIDE, the World Chess Organization.

I want to thank my friend, John Tomas, for his help in preparing the following profiles of the world's greatest chess players and for his help in the selection of representative (and exciting!) games. There are very few chess masters in Illinois as knowledgeable about the chess world as John Tomas.

Gary Kasparov

FIDE rating 2849

Born: Armenia

Age: 37

Divorced

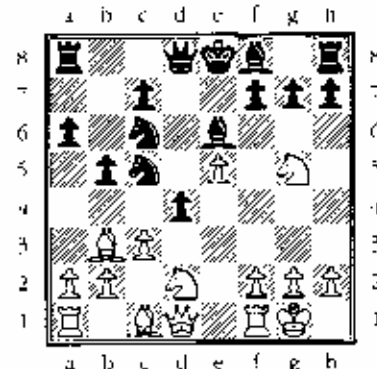
Rank: #1

Greatest Success: Too many to mention; just won Linares, Wijk an Zee, and Sarajevo in succession this year.

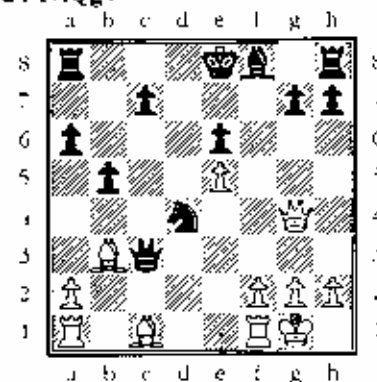
The youngest world champion ever at age 21 and now world champion for 15 years.

Gary Kasparov – Vishy Anand
World Championship Match, New York (10), '95; Ruy Lopez, C80

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Nxe4 6.d4 b5 7.Bb3 d5 8.dxe5 Be6 9.Nbd2 Nc5 10.c3 d4 11.Ng5



11...dxc3 12.Nxe6 fxe6 13.bxc3 Qd3 14.Bc2 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Nxb3 16.Bxb3 Nd4 17.Qg4



17...Qxa1 18.Bxc6 Rd8 19.Bh6 Qc3 20.Bxg7 Qd3 21.Bxh8 Qg6 22.Bf6 Be7 23.Bxe7 Qxg4 24.Bxg4 Kxe7 25.Rc1 c6 26.f4 a5 27.Kf2 a4 28.Ke3 b4 29.Bd1 a3 30.g4 Rd5 31.Re4 c5 32.Ke4 Rd8 33.Rxc5 Ne6 34.Rd5 Re8 35.f5 Rc4+ 36.Ke3 Nc5 37.g5 Rcl 38.Rd6 1-0

Vladimir Kramnik

FIDE rating 2770

Born: Russia

Age: 26

Unmarried

Rank: #2

Greatest Success: Tied for first at Linares, 2000.

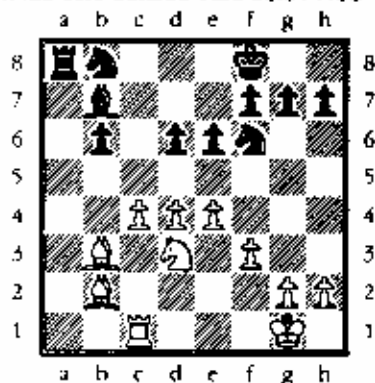
Discovered at age 17 by Gary Kasparov, he is now playing against him for the world championship in October.

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Vladimir Kramnik – Anatoly Karpov
 Dos Hermanas'97; English Opening,
 A17

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.e4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 0-0
 5.a3 Bxc3 6.Qxc3 d6 7.b4 Bb7 8.Bb2
 d6 9.e3 Nbd7 10.d4 Ne4 11.Qb3 a5 12.
 Be2 axb4 13.axb4 Rxa1+ 14.Bxa1
 Ndf6 15.0-0 Qd7 16.b5 Ra8 17.Bb2 c6
 18.bxc6 Qxc6 19.Re1 Nd7 20.Ne1 Qa4
 21.Qxa4 Rxa4 22.f3 Nef6 23.Bd1 Ra2
 24.Nd3 Kf8 25.Bb3 Ra8 26.e4 Nb8



27.c5 bxc5 28.dxc5 dxc5 29.Nxc5 Bc8
 30.e5 Ne8 31.Ba4 Nc7 32.Ba3 Kg8 33.
 Ne4 Rxa4 34.Rxc7 Ba6 35.Nc5 1-0.

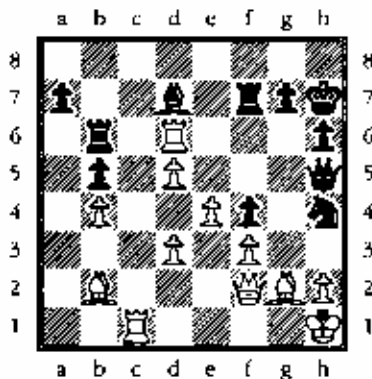
“Vishy” Anand
 FIDE rating 2762

Born: Madras, India
 Age: 30
 Married
 Rank: #3

Anand has long been known as one of
 the fastest players in the world (he once
 beat Nick DeFirmian in a game where he
 took only 10 minutes and DeFirmian
 forfeited on time).

Vishy Anand – Michael Adams
 Linares'99 English Opening, A17

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.e4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qb3 c5
 5.g3 Ne6 6.a3 Ba5 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 d6
 9.e3 e5 10.d3 Rb8 11.Nd2 Bf5 12.Nd5
 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Ne7 14.Nc4 b5 15.Nxa5
 Qxa5 16.e4 Bd7 17.Qd1 f5 18.b4 cxb4
 19.Bg5 Ne8 20.Qd2 f4 21.gxf4 b6 22.
 Bh4 exf4 23.f3 Qb6+ 24.Bf2 Qd8 25.
 axb4 Qg5 26.Kh1 Qh5 27.Rg1 Rb7 28.
 Bd4 Rf7 29.Qf2 Kh7 30.Rgcl Ne7 31.
 Ra6 Ng6 32.Rxd6 Nh4 33.Bb2 Rb6



34.Rxd7 Rxd7 35.Bb3 Rf7 36.Bg4 Qg5
 37.Be6 Rfb7 38.Rg1 Qd8 39.Qf1 Ra6
 40.Qh3 Ra2 41.Be5 Rd2 42.d4 Rd3 43.
 Bf5+ Kg8 44.Bc8 Nxf3 45.Qe6+ 1-0

Alexander Morozevich
 FIDE rating 2756

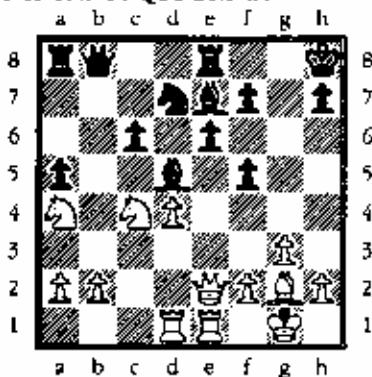
Born: Russia
 Age: 22
 Unmarried
 Rank: #4

Greatest Success: Russian Champion,
 1998-9.

Morozevich is one of the most origi-
 nal players around. At age 22, he is also
 one of the youngest top players, with
 excellent prospects during the next dec-
 ade.

Judith Polgar –
 Alexander Morozevich
 Wijk aan Zee'00; French Defense,
 C11

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 dxe4
 5.Nxe4 Be7 6.Bxf6 gxf6 7.Nf3 a6 8.g3
 b5 9.Bg2 Bb7 10.Qc2 Nd7 11.0-0 0-0
 12.Rad1 Bd5 13.Rfel Kh8 14.Nfd2 c6
 15.c4 bxc4 16.Nxc4 a5 17.Nc3 Re8 18.
 Ne3 f5 19.Nc4 Qb8 20.Na4



20...Qb4 21.b3 Bf6 22.Qc2 Rg8 23.
 Qcl Rg4 24.Ne5 Nxe5 25.dxe5 Be7 26.
 Rd3 Rag8 27.Red1 f4 28.Qc3 fxg3 29.

hxg3 h5 30.Bxd5 cxd5 31.Rf3 Kg7 32.
 Qc7 h4 33.Kg2 hxg3 34.fxg3 Qe4 35.
 Qc3 Qe2+ 36.Kh3 Rg5 0-1

Michael Adams
 FIDE rating 2755

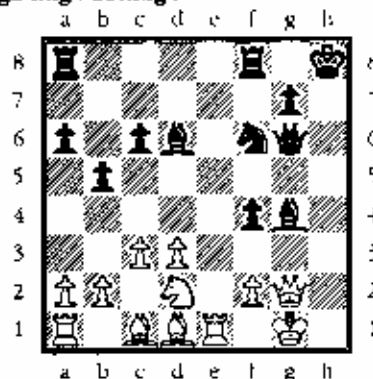
Born: England
 Age: 29
 Unmarried
 Rank: #5

Greatest Success: 1st Dos Hermanas,
 1999 and tied 2nd Sarajevo, 2000.

An all-round talent, equally at home
 in tactical and positional games.

Judith Polgar – Michael Adams
 Dos Hermanas '99; Ruy Lopez, C89

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6
 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d5
 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Rxe5 c6
 12.d3 Bd6 13.Re1 Qh4 14.g3 Qh3 15.
 Re4 Qf5 16.Nd2 Qg6 17.Re1 f5 18.Qf3
 Kh8 19.Bd1 f4 20.g4 h5 21.h3 Nf6 22.
 Qg2 hxg4 23.hxg4



Bxg4 24.Re6 Qh5 25.Bxg4 Nxd4 26.
 Rxd6 Rae8 27.Ne4 Ne5 28.f3 Nxf3+
 29.Kf2 Nh4 30.Qh1 g5 31.b4 g4 32.
 Bb2 g3+ 33.Kg1 Nf3+ 34.Kg2 Nb2 35.

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c4+ Kg8 36.Qd1 f3+ 37.Kxg3 Qg4+ 38. Kf2 Qh4+ 39.Ke3 Qf4+ 40.Kd4 Qe5+ 41.Ke3 Ng4+ 42.Kd2 Qxb2+ 43.Qc2 Qxa1 44.Rg6+ Kh7 45.Rxg4 f2 0-1

Alexy Shirov
FIDE rating 2746

Born: Tallinn, Latvia (now a citizen of Spain)

Age: 28

Married

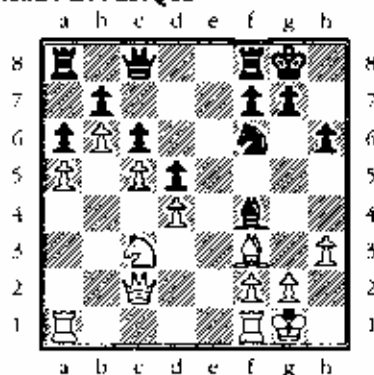
Rank: #6

Greatest Success: Won the right to challenge Gary Kasparov by defeating Kramnik in a match three years ago. The match never materialized.

Vladimir Kramnik – Alexi Shirov
Linares '94, Queen's Gambit Declined,

D11

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Bf5 3.e4 e6 4.Nc3 e6 5. Qb3 Qb6 6.c5 Qc7 7.Bf4 Qc8 8.e3 Nf6 9.Qa4 Nbd7 10.b4 a6 11.h3 Be7 12. Qb3 0-0 13.Be2 Be4 14.0-0 Bxf3 15. Bxf3 Bd8 16.a4 Bc7 17.Bg5 b6 18.Bxf6 Nxf6 19.b5 e5 20.b6 Bb8 21.a5 exd4 22.exd4 Bf4 23.Qc2



23...Qd7 24.g3 Qxh3 25.Bg2 Qb5 26. gx14 Ng4 27.Rfd1 Rae8 28.Rd3 Qb2+ 29.Kf1 f5 30.Qd2 Rf6 31.f3 Re4 32. Nxd5 exd5 33.c6 Rxf4 34.cxb7 Re4 35. Re1 Kh7 36.b8Q Qxb8 37.fxg4 Qh2 38.Rf3 Rxg4 39.b7 Rfg6 40.Rc2 Rxg2 41.Qxg2 Rxg2 42.Rxg2 Qh1+ 43.Kf2 Qb1 0-1.

Peter Leko
FIDE rating 2743

Born: Hungary

Age: 20

Unmarried

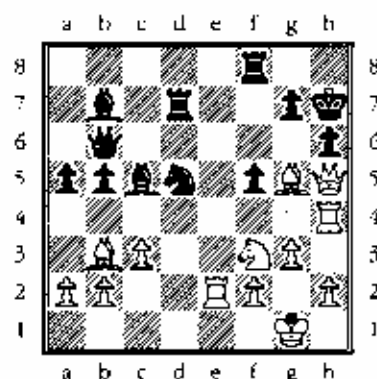
Rank: #7

Biggest Success: 1st Dortmund, 1999

Leko is one of the most difficult players in the world to beat. Bobby Fischer now lives in Budapest, Hungary and Leko has the opportunity to analyze his games with the Great One. Leko's extreme youth gives him strong prospects to become a future world champion.

Peter Leko – Michael Adams
Dortmund '99, Ruy Lopez, C89

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Rxe5 e6 12.d4 Bd6 13.Re1 Qb4 14.g3 Qh3 15. Re4 Bb7 16.Rh4 Qe6 17.Nd2 f5 18. Qh5 h6 19.Nf3 Be7 20.Rh3 c5 21.dxc5 Bxc5 22.Bf4 Rae8 23.Rd1 Re7 24.Bg5 Rd7 25.Re1 Qb6 26.Re2 Kh7 27.Rh4 a5



28.Bxh6 Qxh6 29.Qg5 a4 30.Re6 1-0.

Vassily Ivanchuk
FIDE rating 2719

Born: Ukraine

Age: 31

Divorced

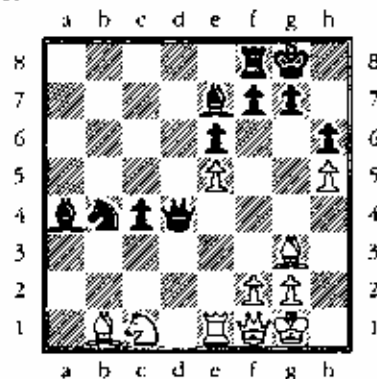
Rank: #8

Greatest Success: Linares '95.

Hugely talented, he is the most inconsistent of all the top grandmasters. Of all of the players in this review, he is the one player who may actually be as talented as Kasparov. Ten years ago it was widely predicted that Ivanchuk would become Kasparov's successor to the throne. But at this point, time is clearly running out.

Gary Kasparov – Vassily Ivanchuk
Horgen '95; French Defense, C16

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 b6 5.a3 Bf8 6.Nf3 Ne7 7.h4 b6 8.h5 a5 9.Bb5+ e6 10.Ba4 Nd7 11.Ne2 b5 12.Bb3 e5 13.c3 Nc6 14.0-0 Qc7 15.Re1 c4 16.Bc2 Nb6 17.Bf4 Be7 18.Bg3 Rb8 19.Nh2 Qd8 20.Ng4 b4 21.axb4 axb4 22.cxb4 Nxb4 23.Bb1 Bd7 24.b3 Ra8 25.Rxa8 Qxa8 26.bxc4 Nxc4 27.Nc1 Ba4 28. Qe2 Qa7 29.Ne3 Qxd4 30.Nxc4 dxc4 31.Qf1 0-0



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One of Richard Verber's new chess students, 17 year old John Bolton scored 6.5-0.5 to win the Five Thousand Dollar Class C prize in the recent \$100,000.00 Chicago Open!

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Richard Verber became a Chess Master at the age of 18 and a Senior Master at age 24. During this period as a graduate student at the University of Chicago he represented the United States playing in the World Student Team Championships in Czechoslovakia (1967), East Germany (1969) and Israel (1970). In 1972 Richard Verber was the chief Commentator for the PBS Channel 11 broadcasts of the Fischer/Spassky match. The following year in 1973, he organized the record-breaking 775 player U.S. Open Chess Championship at the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago. In 1974 Mr. Verber organized and co-directed the 1974 U.S. Closed Championship. During his long career as a Chess Organizer and Chess Teacher Richard has brought many of the world's strongest Chess Grandmasters to Chicago. the list includes: Bobby Fischer, Anatoly Karpov, Mikhail Tal, Victor Korchnoi, Bent Larsen, Tigran Petrosian, Paul Keres, Svetozar Gligoric, Florin Gheorghiu, Roman Dzindzi and in 1999 Maurice Ashley.

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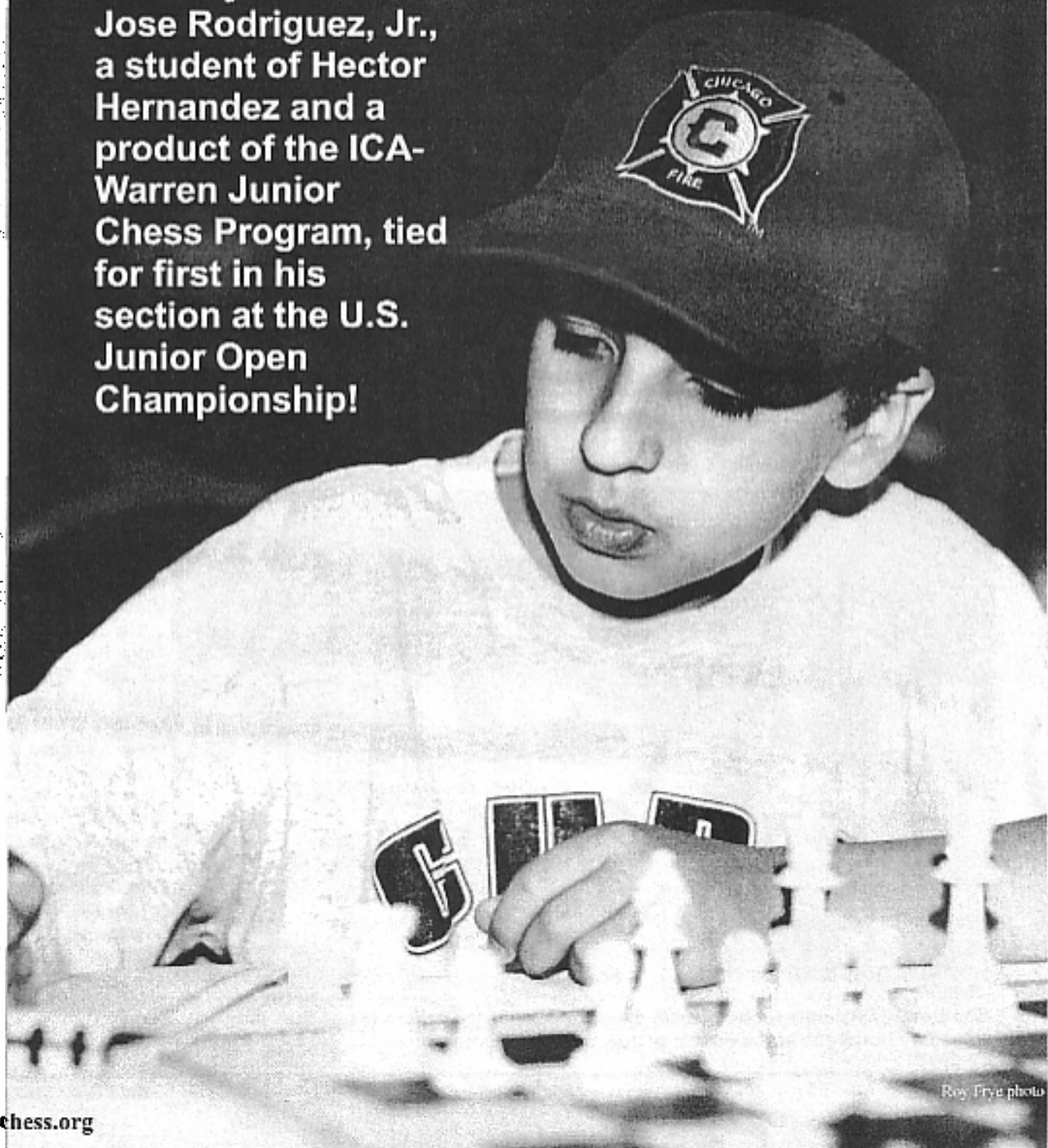


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Illinois Chess Association Junior Chess News

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2000

Eleven-year-old Jose Rodriguez, Jr., a student of Hector Hernandez and a product of the ICA-Warren Junior Chess Program, tied for first in his section at the U.S. Junior Open Championship!



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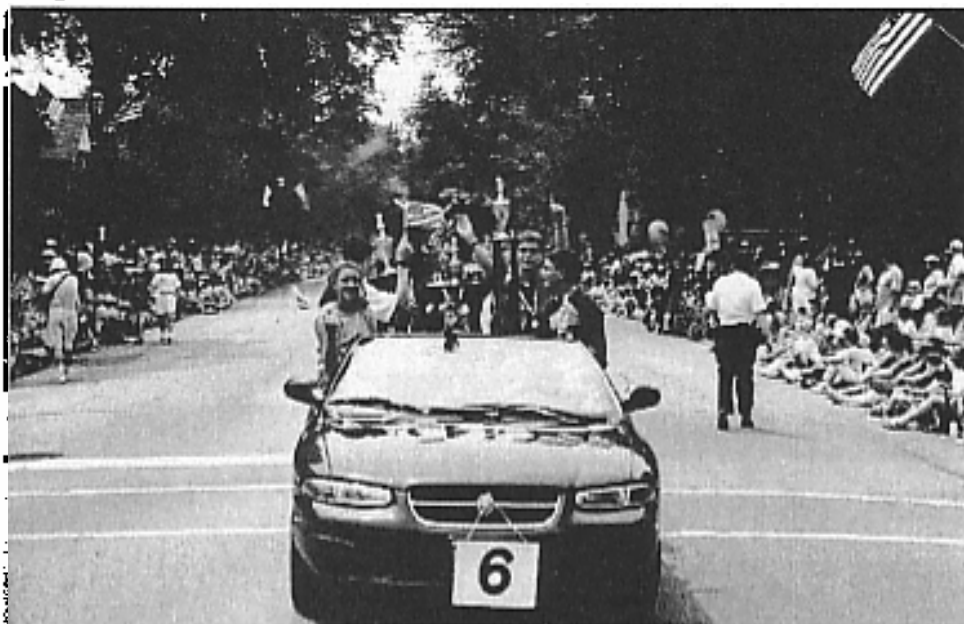
Evanston honors their scholastic chess team by making them Grand Marshals

by Ken Lewandowski (ETHS)
and Shawn Decker (Dewey)

The entire city of Evanston took part in honoring their scholastic chess program this year by making them Grand Marshals of the Fourth of July Parade. This honor came about due to the many recent successes of the young players and two of the teams in particular. Both the Evanston Township High School and Dewey Elementary won their State Championship this year.

Players brought their trophies to decorate Coach Lew's van while they marched along playing chess on two large boards with pieces held on by *velcro*. Many of the high school players preferred to sit in the back of the convertible provided and wave to the crowd as true celebrities.

In addition to this year's victory, the Dewey team has won the State Championship in 2000, and 1998 and 1997. The top scorers for the last season were Elliot Damashek (in the parade), Todd Sum-



Ken Lewandowski photo

Evanston Township HS chess team given Grand Marshal honors. In the parade car is Matt Cohn-Geir, Ben Yarnoff, Patt Pullin and Zach Yarnoff.

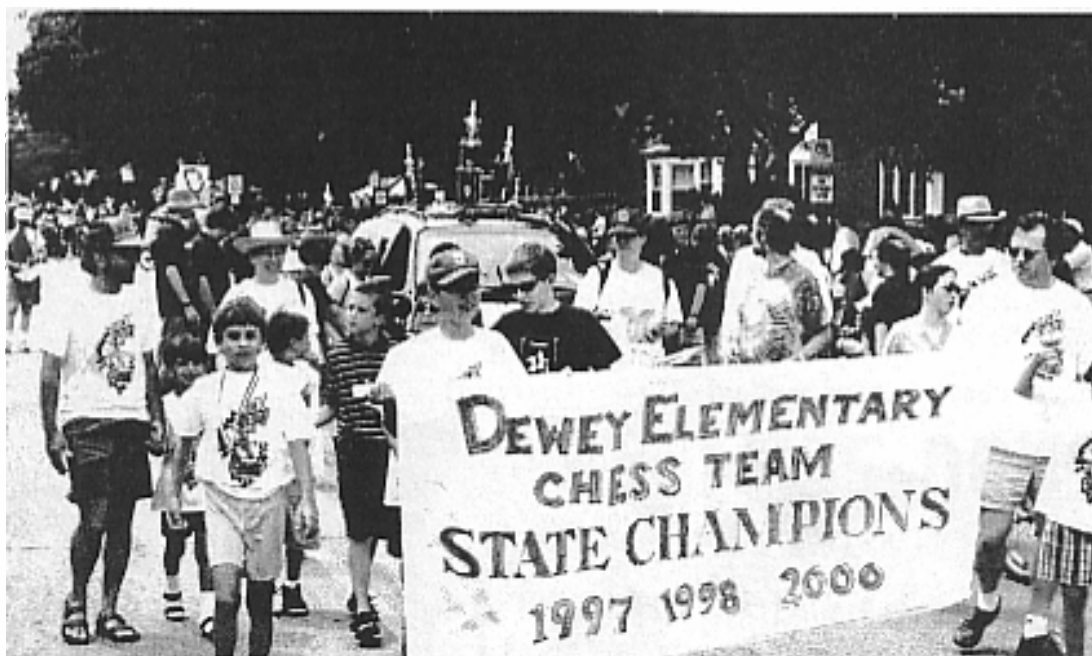
mers. Eli Kliejunas, and Mark Kozlowski (also in the parade). The Dewey team is currently made up of roughly 20 students, K-5. We also have a club which meets before school each

week — this has 40 members in it. Club members join the team once they have passed a set of chess skills tests which shows basic mastery of the fundamentals of the game, basic checkmates and tactics, etc.

Many of the Dewey championship players are now moving on to Nichols Middle School where an increasingly active team is forming.

The ETHS Team Placed Third last year and also won the IHSA Championship in 1997. This year, the Seniors also took first at the USCF National All-Grade in Louisville, with Matt Pullin earning First Place Senior. This spring, Varnard Davis and Mark Aburano-Meister scored a perfect 7-0 tie for First Place in the U1000 section at the USCF Nationals in Charlotte.

With the influx of the many graduates of the elementary and middle school programs, the high school is hoping to be one of the "teams to beat" for years to come. □



Ken Lewandowski photo

The Dewey Elementary chess team displays pride in their victories as they are joined by hundreds at the Fourth of July parade in Evanston.

Have you met Yahshua Hosch yet?

Bill Brock says, "Beware!"

by William Brock

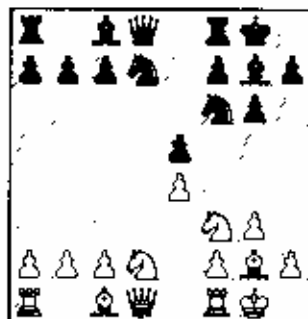
Square One readers will want to make the acquaintance of 15-year-old Yahshua Hosch, the next first board for Evanston Township High School. In the past year, Hosch's rating has zoomed from 1315 to 1852, and in my opinion, he's still underrated. Yahshua was the lowest-rated player in the Under 1800 section of the Chicago Open, but went 5-1 against players with an average rating over 1750. How did he get so good so fast? Talent, hard work, and playing in adult tournaments!

I recently played Yahshua at the Chicago Chess Club. While I escaped with a lucky draw, I felt I'd been totally outplayed in a quiet middlegame and again in a dead drawn endgame.

Here is a game we played at an Officer's Appreciation Tournament...

Hosch, Yahshua (1511) - Brock, Bill (1988) [A07]
Officers' Appreciation Tournament, Round 2

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 d5 5.d3 0-0 6.Nbd2 Nbd7 7.e4 dxe4 8.dxe4 e5



Why am I playing this ultra-boring symmetrical variation? Well, I'd recently seen my opponent playing on Board 3 in the final round of Master Challenge, and didn't feel like getting crushed. And in that same tournament, I'd played the dia-

grammed position against another strong teenager, Filipino IM Mark Paragua, and almost drew.

9.Qe2

Paragua-Brock continued 9.b3 Re8 10. Bb2 b6 11.Qc2 Bb7 12.Rfd1 Qe7 13.a4 Nc5!? 14.Ba3 Nfd7 15.a5! Rad8 16.Bb4 Qf6 17.Ne1 Ne6 18.c3 Ndc5 19.axb6 axb6 20.Bxc5 Nxc5 21.b4 Ne6 22.Nc2 Ra8 23.Rxa8 Rxa8 24.Ne3 Qd8 25.Nd5 c6 26.Ne3 Ra2 27.Qe1 Qc7 28.h4 b5 29. Ndc4 Bf8 30.Rd3 Ba6?! (30. Ra8! 31. Qd1 Rd8 32.Rxd8 Nxd8 33.Nxe5! Qxe5 34.Qxd8 Qxc3 35.Qxb6 Qxb4! Paragua) 31.Qd1 Bxc4 32.Nxc4 Ra7 33.Bh3 Ng7? 34.Rd7 Qb8 35.Nxe5 Rxd7 36. Nxd7 Qd8 37.Qd4 1-0

9...b6 10.b3 Qe7 11.Bb2 Bb7 12.a4 Rf8

As in the Paragua game, 12...a5 would be the more solid move.

13.a5! Rad8

This move turns out to be OK because of a surprise tactic, but the tempo-saving

13...Rab8 might be more natural.

14.axb6 axb6 15.Ra7

Now I was worried.

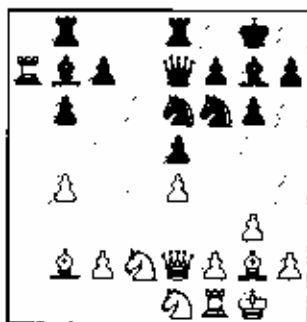
15...Rb8

Here I missed the cute equalizing shot 15...Ra8! 16.Rfa1 (16.Rxb7? Nc5 traps the Rook!) 16...Rxa7 17.Rxa7 Ra8! = Now Hosch begins to squeeze me.

16.Ne1 Nc5?!

Last chance for 16...Ra8!

17.b4 Ne6



18.Nd3!

About a week after our game, Hosch and I looked at this position briefly: We both believed that White had missed a typical line-clearing sacrifice: 18.Bxc5!? Qxb4

(Rick Lang suggested the entertaining 18...Nxe4?! 19.Rxb7 Nxd2, but the Bishops rule after 20.Rxb8 Rxb8 21.Bxg7 Nxf7 22.Bc3+) 19.Rxb7 Rxb7 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.e5 "and White wins," or so we thought. In fact, Black has a slight pull here because the e-pawn will be pinned after, say, 21...Nc5! So the text is preferable.

18...Nd7 19.Nc4 Nd4 20.Qd2 Nb5

Evicting the Rook: Black is OK.

21.Raa1 Ra8 22.Ne3

White is working hard to find good squares for his Knights.

22...c6 23.Nc4!

Now that the d6 square has been weakened, the Knight returns. Admirable patience.

23...Red8 24.f4! Rxa1 25.Bxa1 f6 26. Qf2

Perhaps White should take the opportunity to open lines favorably with 26.fxe5 fxe5 27.Bh3.

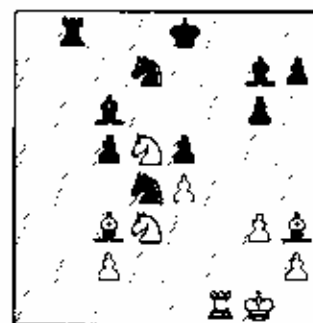
26...c5 27.Re1

After 27.bxc5 bxc5 28.fxe5 fxe5 29. Nxe5 Rf8!, Black should be able to regain the pawn.

27...Nd4?!

Perhaps 27...exf4!?

28.bxc5 bxc5 29.Ne3 Qf8 30.Bc3! Rb8 31.Nd5 Bc6 32.fxe5 fxe5 33.Qxf8+ Kxf8 34.Rf1+ Ke8 35.Bh3



35...Bxd5?!

Missing the opportunity for 35...Ne2! 36.Kf2 Nxc3 37.Nxc3 c4 with a slight pull (Fritz).

36.Bxd4! cxd4 37.exd5 e4 38.Bxd7+ Kxd7 39.Rf7+ Kd6 40.Rxg7 exd3 41.

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exd3 Rb3 42.Rxb7 Rxd3=

Black has the more active King; White has two connected pawns. Who will make better use of his trumps?

43.Kf2 Ra3 44.Rh6 Kxd5 45.h4!

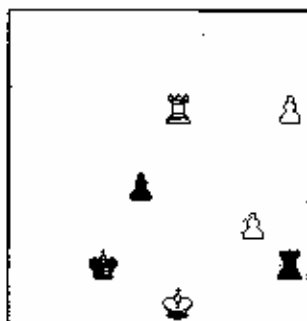
45.Rxg6 Ra2 is a dead draw.

45...Ke4 46.Rxg6 Ra2+ 47.Ke1 Ke3 48.Re6+ Kd3?!

As Al Losoff pointed out after the game, **48...Kf3 =** is a saner move. But a time scramble was beginning, and I had insane dreams of winning the pawn-down ending....

49.h5 Rh2 50.h6 Kc2!?

My scoresheet ends here: the remaining moves (ignoring repetitions) have been reconstructed.



51.Re2+!?

A fine though not quite winning idea: White allows Black to Queen first, but winds up with an extra pawn. **51.g4!?** may be a better way to play for a win—readers?

51...Rxe2+ 52.Kxe2 d3+ 53.Kf2 d2 54.h7 d1Q 55.h8Q

Now we have the Q + g-pawn vs. Q end-

ing, once famous for baffling Grandmasters. (The Ken Thompson database has eliminated much, but not all, of the mystery.) We shouldn't need CD-ROM access to understand this position: The white Queen is passively placed in the corner and Black can draw with perpetual attacks on King and g-pawn.

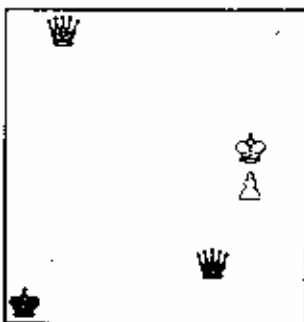
55...Qd2+ 56.Kf3 Qd3+ 57.Kf4 Qd2+ 58.Kf3 Qd3+ 59.Kg2 Qe2+ 60.Kh3 Qf1+ 61.Kg4 Qc2+ 62.Kh3

62.Kh4?? Qh2+ would be a bad way to end the game.

62...Qe6+?! 63.g4 Qe3+ 64.Kh4 Qf2+ 65.Kg5 Kb1?

The logical **65...Qe3+** (Losoff) was the simplest drawing path. But with only nine seconds plus delay left, I decided to improve the position of my King. But this only makes my life difficult.

66.Qh8+ Ka1



This is still a theoretical draw. But once White centralizes his Queen, he has excellent practical chances. The Black Queen is relatively poorly posted on f2, as White could transpose into a winning ending by giving check on f4, f5, or f6. Unfortunately, White cannot force this

exchange without a blunder from Black.

67.Qe5+! Kb1??

And there's the blunder! I didn't have the presence of mind to use all five seconds of the delay. The only move, **67...Ka2**, maintains the theoretical draw. But Black is still under pressure. If White can push the pawn to g6, he can try the dangerous plan recommended by Averbakh: Put the Queen on a6, then walk the King over to a7 (!). The Black King then has to leave the b-file and its access to the comfy h1-corner; otherwise, White can answer a Queen check by interposing with check, forcing the exchange of Queens.

68.Qf4??

The extreme time pressure was mutual: after **68.Qf5!**, Yahshua could have chalked up a well-deserved win. We both realized our error immediately after our move, and with IM's Palos and Young among the kibitzers, I suspect we both felt equally embarrassed.

68...Qc2! =

Whew! Now we get to see one reason why the black King is well placed in the corner.

69.Qf5 Ka1!

White still has practical winning chances after (say) **70.Kg6**—if you don't believe me, try to draw this position against Fritz! But playing four sudden-death games per day is draining, and Hoshch decides to conserve energy for the next round.

70.Qxc2 stalemate.

A few spectators thought that I had resigned here. And what if I had? The result would still be a draw, because mate (even stalemate) ends the game. ☞

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By Tim Just

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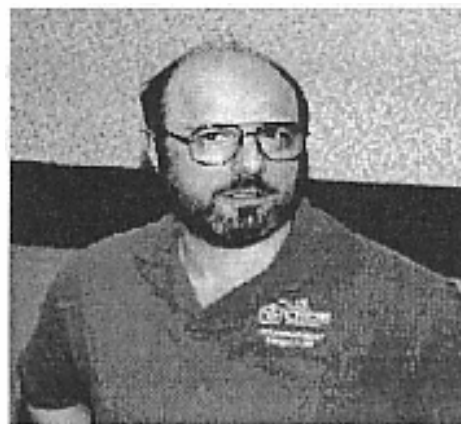
Look at that boxed in section with the U.S. map and the roman numerals with the heading USCF Committee Chairmen. Contact the individuals on that list if you have a question or concern about the committee they head up. Listed here are the committees that have proven most useful to players in the past.

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							score	tour
1	ILIC Stanimir M	2087	W13	W10	W8	D3	3.5	7.5X
2	CHAMBERS Adam D	1392	W22	W4	D3	W8	3.5	7.5XABCD
3	LONG David	1842	W14	W11	D2	D1	3	4XA
4	KARAGIANIS Pete D	1367	W7	E2	W13	W10	3	4XABC
5	ILIC Lazar S	1018	E11	W14	W12	W15	3	4XABCDE
6	ZIMMERLE R Wayne	1500	D16	W15	D9	D7	2.5	2.5XABC
7	KENNEL Earl L	1190	L4	W22	W11	D6	2.5	2.5XABCDE
8	GETZ Barney	1737	W18	W12	L1	L2	2	2XAB
9	BOURGERIE Dennis	1700	D15	W16	D6	-	2	2XAB
10	PEREGOY Patrick	1485	W19	L1	W18	L4	2	2XABC
11	STOHLER Richard E	1400	W5	L3	L7	W19	2	2XABC
12	MOSES Greg	1395	W21	L8	L5	W18	2	2XABCD
13	KELLY James R	1333	L1	W19	L4	X70	2	2XABCD
14	PENNY Kevin L	1330	L3	L5	W22	W21	2	2XABCD
15	BROWN Tony D	1291	D9	L6	W21	E5	1.5	1.5XABCD
16	VOSA Andy S	1186	D6	L9	L19	B	1.5	1.5XABCDE
17	MALCOMBE Freddie L	1459	W20	-	-	-	1	
18	OCHILTREE Joseph	1309	L8	W20	L10	L12	1	1XABCD
19	ACHELPOHL Scott A	1136	E18	L13	W16	L11	1	1XABCDE
20	GARROLL Sean	1081	E17	L18	B	E13	1	1XABCDE
21	ACHELPOHL John M	929	L12	B	L15	L14	1	1XABCDEF
22	PHILLIPS Brook Dean		L2	L1	L4		0	

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Chess from the MIDDLE

Time, Tournaments and Ratings?!?

by Dr. Ron Suarez

I offer greetings and salutations to you my fellow chess fans and players. In this my autumn installment of Middle-of-the-Earth Chess Lore I would like to discuss two interesting subjects and to revisit one that we chatted about previously. We will start with the first installment in a series of discussions on the physical aspects of the universe that we live in and of course, chess. The elements that we will discuss in the next few installments will be Time, Space, Energy and Matter. It is interesting to note the effects that these subjects have on our universe and also on chess.

There is an old adage that talks of time waiting for no one. You may also recall hearing things like, "Time marches on." Well just what is this time thing and how about chess from the Middle? In chess, as in life, time is a constant factor that needs to be handled. Can we create time? Can we control it? Can we GRAB time?

When I first started playing tourna-

I suddenly started to panic if I had to go to the bathroom during a game for the time it would take.

ment chess in the late 1980's, the standard time controls for the weekend tournaments that I played in were 40 moves in 80 minutes and then 30 moves in 60 minutes, etc. Games were adjourned if the starting time for the next round came up, and it wasn't unusual for these weekend tournaments to extend into the Middle of the night. After a few years' break from tournament play I returned in the Middle 1990's to the "new and improved" sudden death time controls of Game in 80, 90, or 120. I suddenly started to panic if I had to go to the bath-

room during a game for the time it would take. Fortunately the coming of digital, time delay clocks helped break the tension of time attack panic, but it still does exist on occasion. There are no more adjournments and our local, from the Middle, tournaments end at a respectable time in the evening.

As you may know, I am about to start my ascent to the world championship. My rating will obviously go above 2900 in the next few months.

Has the quality of play deteriorated since playing time has been shortened? I remember calculating that I would have two to three minutes per move at the old time controls. Now my move time has been shortened to about 50-70% of the original. I could have been wasting my time before. Some people tell me that I am wasting all of my time anyway. Life does go on and change is inevitable, so we play with the time we have, don't we.

There is also the time on the chessboard as described by moves. The cool musical term of "Tempo" (tempi) is used in a lot of chess literature to explain this time concept in playing the game. Why is it that behind closed doors (positions), time is less important and it is all right to waste time? I will leave the explanation of this time usage to the Chess Masters to explain, to all of us. If one is just playing a casual game, then he is just passing time anyway so I would think time is irrelevant. If on the other hand a tournament or match game is underway then time is of the essence.

Speaking of tournaments and their styles, why do they call the Swiss system Swiss? Why do we play tournaments the way we do here in the Middle? I must confess that I don't know how weekend tournaments are adminis-

tered in Europe, Russia, China or even Ireland. Do they play the Swiss style in these locations or are they playing something like the Hungarian style? There seems to be a lot of Swiss style tourneys here in the Middle. If anyone can come up with a better way let me know and I will tell the boss. I'll talk more on tournaments at another time.

I would like to take a moment and discuss a subject that I talked about last time, ratings. After writing the last article it has come to my attention that we have a problem in our rating system, at least here in the Middle. When I started playing tournament chess in 1988 the lowest rating that I was aware of was a person that was rated 1089. I operated under the false assumption that no one could get a rating lower than 1000. This made sense as the class levels went uniformly down from 2200 to 2000 to 1800 to 1600 to 1400 and finally to 1200. When I came back to tournament play in 1996, two remarkable changes had happened since 1990. There were a lot more scholastic players in tournaments and there were a LOT of ratings under 1000.

Here in the Middle we are living in a rating desert where there are no longer many players between the rating of 1500 and 2000.

What class do we give these people, G, H, etc.?

What has happened is a deflation of our rating system due to the large number of youngsters that have arrived on our tournament scenes. These kids come and play taking rating points from our rating pool. They play a lot of games and quickly get an established rating that is really low. Then they get better and win, taking points from the higher rated players. They quit playing as they go off to college, coasts, whatever and their rating points leave with them leaving us play-

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CLASS A										
								score	tour	
1	GORLIN Andrey	IL	1859	W12	W4	W3	D2	W9	4.5	19A
2	MODES Daniel R	IL	1884	W11	W5	H	D1	W3	4	12A
3	COVIC Mehmed	IL	1800	W13	W8	L1	W5	L2	3	6A
4	DUNCAN Jason	IL	1705	W6	L1	W7	W10	L5	3	6AB
5	HUBBARD Andrew	IL	1700	W14	L2	W9	L3	W4	3	6AB
6	HUANG Kenneth	IL	1883	L4	L12	B	D7	W10	2.5	5A
7	ZAZOVSKIY Vilorik	IL	1827	W9	L10	L4	D6	W11	2.5	5A
8	CHUA Johnson	IL	1985	B	L3	W10	-	-	2	4A
9	KAWANO John	IL	1955	L7	W14	L5	W11	L1	2	4A
10	RODRIGUEZ Jose A	IL	1493	W15	W7	L8	L4	L6	2	4ABC
11	ALLISON Roger D	IL	1730	L2	B	H	L9	L7	1.5	3AB
12	VENUSO Michael A	IL	1549	L1	W6	H	-	-	1.5	3ABC
13	CONDON James K	IL	1900	L3	-	-	-	-	0	
14	CAVITT Dexter	IL	1870	L5	L9	-	-	-	0	
15	GRIETENS Eric		L10	-	-	-	-	0		

CLASS B										
								score	tour	
1	LEUNG Daniel Y	IL	1770	W4	W3	W2	H	D6	4	12B
2	PARSONS Bob	IL	1766	W6	W5	L1	W3	W4	4	12B
3	PEREGOY Patrick	IL	1485	W7	L1	W6	L2	W5	3	6BC
4	ALBERTS Walter A	IL	1700	L1	L6	W5	W8	L2	2	4B
5	GRIETENS Erik	IL		B	L2	L4	W6	L3	2	
6	ENGELEN Mark	IL	1595	L2	W4	L3	L5	D1	1.5	3BC
7	STOLTZ Robert M	IL	1709	L3	-	-	-	-	0	
8	CURRY Eileen	MI	845	-	-	-	L4	-	0	

CLASS C										
								score	tour	
1	COLLINS Brett	IL	1582	W19	W10	W8	D2	W4	4.5	19C
2	SEIBEL Dennis	IL	1434	W9	W21	B	D1	W6	4.5	19C
3	BURNETT Jim	IL	1457	W20	W11	L4	W9	W8	4	12C
4	LEVINE Gary T	IL	1293	W15	W6	W3	W3	L1	4	12CD
5	GERTZ Charles E	IL	1590	W23	W17	H	L4	W11	3.5	7C
6	WITEK Gregory A	IL	1571	W16	L4	W17	W10	L2	3	6C
7	LOBRACO Michael J	IL	1462	L11	W19	W21	L8	W16	3	6C
8	SMITH Orlan B	IL	1445	W13	W12	L1	W7	L3	3	6C
9	GORODETSKIY Eugen	IL	1398	L2	W13	W12	L3	W17	3	6CD
10	MILES Kyle	IL	1359	W18	L1	W14	L6	W15	3	6CD
11	SCHMIDT Scott	IL	1316	W7	L3	W18	W20	L5	3	6CD
12	WIDING Daniel R	IL	1064	W22	L8	L9	W19	W18	3	6CDE
13	RESK David	WI	1258	L8	L9	D19	W22	W20	2.5	5CD
14	KITTSLEY Scott L	WI	1504	L17	W23	L10	L16	W21	2	4C
15	TURNER Keith	IL	1460	L4	W16	D20	D18	L10	2	4C
16	DUPUIS Erik G	IL	1362	L6	L15	W22	W14	L7	2	4CD
17	HUANG Winston	IL	1342	W14	L5	L6	W21	L9	2	4CD
18	PADILLA Rudy R	IL	1513	L10	W22	L11	D15	L12	1.5	3C
19	HORNOR Richard R	IL	1374	L1	L7	D13	L12	W22	1.5	3CD
20	WIDING Robert	IL	1269	L3	B	D15	L11	L13	1.5	3CD
21	ILIC Lazar S	IL	1016	B	L2	L7	L17	L14	1	2CDE
22	BLACKMAN William	IL	1392	L12	L18	L16	L13	L19	0	
23	GILRUTH Bruce	IL	1383	L5	L14	-	-	-	0	

CLASSES D/BELOW										
								score	tour	
1	NAEGELI Nick S	MN	1188	W29	W7	D6	W13	W5	4.5	19DE
2	MORAN Philip D	IL	1378	W19	L5	W10	W23	W13	4	12D
3	NIENART Christoph	IL	1242	W20	W4	L13	W8	W6	4	12D
4	MORAN Wesley	IL	1056	W9	L3	W28	W25	W14	4	12DE
5	LEWIS Richard	IL	1114	W27	W2	W23	H	L1	3.5	7DE
6	SHANLEY William	IL	1053	W8	W15	D1	W14	L3	3.5	7DE
7	MEISTER Mark	IL	927	W12	L1	D11	W17	W15	3.5	7DEF
8	DUEKER John	IL	1374	L6	W16	W17	L3	W18	3	6D
9	LOPEZ Philip	IL	1370	L4	W20	W18	D15	D11	3	6D
10	ALBRITTON Kyle	IL	1224	W16	L13	L2	W21	W23	3	6D
11	CUNNINGHAM Robt	IL	1177	W21	L23	D7	W19	D9	3	6DE

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ers here in the Middle with lower points. I don't blame the kids, not at all! Someone at the USCF needs to wake up and realize that there is something wrong with the rating system as it is operating now. When the USCF lowered the rating floors the actual effect was the lowering of the pool of rating points for the winning.

Here in the Middle we are living in a rating desert where there are no longer many players between the rating of 1500 and 2000. At a weekend tournament this past July in Bloomington (good job by the way Dennis Bourgerie) there were forty-one people in the tournament. Five players were rated over 2000 and ten were rated below 1000! There were less than five people rated between 1600 and 2000. What's wrong with this picture? It is nearly impossible for a player to rise more than 400 points above the "pool" of players in their area. If that pool's rating drops, so will the area's best players' ratings drop. Many higher players here in the Middle are now gone for various reasons. There are few class A and B players. The opportunity for anyone to get a rating above 1700-1800 here in the Middle of the state is very slim right now.

The solution is to change the rating system. The problem appears to be due to the unbalanced representation of players along this system. We need to talk to our USCF representatives here in the Middle, as well as sending letters or e-mails to the Technical Director at the USCF offices in New York. I hear that there might be a committee to fix this problem. If there is that is good. Since they lowered the rating floors they should also be able to infuse some points into the system to bring reality back into it. Otherwise the class distinctions really have no meaning here in the Middle. If a class C player is not in the Middle of the population of chess players and a class D or E player is, should that class D or E really be a class C player? We need to let the USCF people know about this so that they can fix it.

As you may know, I am about to start my ascent to the world championship. My rating will obviously go above 2900 in the next few months. I would like for the rest of you to feel that the rating and class system is truly representative of the chess population in the Middle by ability as evidenced by performance. I will still play chess, try and get better, and enjoy it and I hope you will too. Just don't take the rating system too seriously right now, because it too will change as Time and Tournaments proceed. Good chess to you and yours.

2000—2001 schedule of Junior events

Mark your calendar to visit or sign up for many of these events

Tentative schedule for Co-Chess:

November 4, Benjamin, West Chicago
 November 11, State All-Grades, Rosemont
 November 18, Hadley Fall, Glen Ellyn - for info contact: Mike Miele,
 MMiele1947@aol.com
 January 20, Northwest, Hoffman Estates - for info contact: Steve
 Fraeuch: SGFrasman@aol.com
 February 3, Hadley Class, Glen Ellyn
 February 24, L'Ann, Chicago - for info contact: ZACKFISH@aol.com
 March 10-11, State Tournament, Belleville - for info contact: Philip
 W. Chapman pchapman@highlandil.com
 The State All-Grades is a joint effort of the ICA, CoChess and the
 ICCA (HS coaches)

HIGH SCHOOL

Oct 28 Knights of the Round Table with ICCA CLINIC unrated, indi-
 vidual paired with top 5 counting as a team Chess Instructors will be
 available before and between rounds. During rounds, coaches will
 meet round-table fashion.

SITE: Bloom Trail H.S.
 Contact: George Bell -- 219-924-5974

Nov 04 West Chicago Invitational—USCF Rated, 8 Board Team—
 RATED Individual section for additional players (juniors only)

SITE: West Chicago H.S. Contact: Joe Splinter -- 630-213-9523

Nov 10 Scholastic Blitz Championship at All-Grade site
 FREE Entry for those staying at hotel overnight

Nov 11—Illinois State All-Grade Championships
 USCF RATED—Separate sections for Kindergarten and grades 1
 through 12. NO ENTRIES ON SATURDAY MORNING. SEE AN-
 NOUNCEMENT AND INFORMATION ELSEWHERE IN ISSUE

Dec 02 -- ICCA Frosh-Soph Individual/Team Championships

unrated, Board Swiss. A school may enter only 1 player in Boards 1
 through 4 sections but as many as wished in the Board 5 section. USCF
 RATED OPEN for non-Frosh/Soph (under 21 or adults) Unrated Open
 for non-Frosh/Soph (under 21 or adults) SITE: Wheaton-Warrenville
 South H.S.—Contact: Mike Zacate -- 708-479-9380

Dec 9/16 - ICCA H.S. Bughouse/Blitz Championships
 METRO SECTIONAL at Downers Grove
 PRAIRIE SECTIONAL at Normal
 Winners play-off March 24 before ICCA Awards Ceremony
 CHECK ICCA WEBSITE FOR UPDATED INFORMATION

Jan 13 -- Illini Classic
 Unrated, 5 board teams, Varsity and Junior-Varsity
 SITE: Illini Union, U of I Campus, Urbana
 Contact: Jerry Parker -- 217-235-1453

Jan 27 -- Evanston Invitational
 USCF Rated, 8 board team, High School Section, Junior High Section
 SITE: Evanston H.S. Contact: Ken Lewandowski -- 847-869-8246

Feb 10 -- ICCA Individual H.S. Championships
 USCF Rated, Sections for Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior—
 USCF Rated, Championship Section (for qualified players only)
 USCF Rated, Open section for non-high school (under 21 or adults)—
 SITE: Sandburg H.S.—Contact: Patrick LaTortue -- 312-787-1386 ext
 612 or M. Zacate -- 708-479-9380

Mar 03 -- ICCA Historic Class A Team Championship
 Unrated, 5 board team, ONLY SCHOOLS OF UNDER 1000 ENROLLI-
 MENT SITE: Stanford (Olympia H.S.)
 Contact: Kent Hieronymus -- 217-648-2760

Mar 10 -- several conferences are holding conference tournaments

Mar 10 -- State Warm-up
 Unrated, 8 board team—Unrated, section for individual players
 SITE: Bradley-Bourbonnis H.S.—Contact: John Hassett 815-468-8121

Mar 23-24:
 IHSA CHESS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP
 Unrated, 8 board team—SITE: Bone Student
 Center, ISU Campus, Normal, IL Contact: Beth
 Saucer -- 309-663-6377 (IHSA Office)

Apr 26-29: USCF 2001 SUPER-Nationals in
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Up and Coming play: *Chess* Community theatre or Drury Lane?

by Roy Frye

On July 28th the Up and Coming Theatre Company, in cooperation with the Elk Grove Park District, opened its Summer 2000 musical *Chess*. The men from ABBA, Benny Andersson and Bjorn Ulvaeus, teamed up with the award-winning Tim Rice (lyricist of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* and *Evita*), to create an exciting rock musical love story.

Opening night represented a benefit performance with tickets selling for \$17. However, tickets for the remaining performances were only \$8 and \$12 — an outstanding bargain, considering the outstanding performances.

The benefit performance was for the HIV Coalition (HIVCO). Half of all proceeds were donated to the not-for-profit HIVCO organization, whose mission is to provide programs and to coordinate initiatives to meet needs in HIV care and prevention in Chicago's suburbs. The organization's primary areas of service include a food program for clients in four counties, educational forums, and resource publications.

Valerie Smith, president of the Up and Coming Theatre Company, said, "Our goal all along has been to bring quality theatrical productions to the northwest suburban community and to give opportunities to aspiring theatre professionals." However, you would not have known the actors were "aspiring" based upon their performances. If it were not for technical limitations imposed by the Elk Grove High School theater and its limited lighting

and sound capabilities, you could have imagined this performance on the stage of Drury Lane Theater. Presenting the actors, Amy

Christensen, Jeremy Foster, Alex Andrikos, Christine Cloutier, Carolyn Briggs, Richard Cassford, J Panizo, Joe Kosteck, and Shannon Buckel as "aspiring" is understatement of their talent! The play called *Chess*, was a first-rate play — well-directed and well-performed — by "accomplished" actors.

Chess presents a world championship chess match between the Russians and the USA beginning in Merano, Italy and concluding in Bangkok, Thailand.

The story opens in Budapest, during the 1956 Hungarian uprising. Gregor Vassy (played by Joe Kosteck), tells his young daughter, Florence (played by Shannon Buckel) *The Story of Chess*. As he finishes the story, his daughter is taken away to escape the war-torn country and Gregor is left behind to fight the Russians.

The play moves to a present-day period set in the '70's, where a world championship match is due to take place between the Russians and the USA. A press conference is held in Bangkok to publicize the event. At the conference, a Fischer-

like U.S. champion named Freddie Trumper (played by Jeremy Foster) arrives with the now older Florence, who is Freddie's second (played by Amy Christenson). Freddie begins the conference by alienating both the press and his Russian opponents. Sound familiar? Not only did it sound familiar, but the tall, thin, fair-haired Foster would have reminded you of the '70's Fischer.

Anatoly Sergievsky, playing for the Russians (portrayed by Alex Andrikos),

...you could have
imagined this
performance on the stage
of Drury Lane Theater.



Roy Frye photo

Jeremy Foster plays Freddie Trumper, a USA contender for the World Chess Champion title in a Russia vs. USA match, in a play called *Chess*. Foster attempts to portray his character based on Bobby Fischer and events surrounding the Reykjavik confrontation of 1972 with Fischer and Spassky. Foster perhaps misses the mark a bit with his aggressiveness toward women, but does capture many of the behaviors of Fischer seen during the period in which the play is set.

and his second, Ivan Molokov (played by Richard Cassford), are interesting characters. As they move through the initial scenes, you see reflections of the conflicts in Reykjavik — One is convinced there is something suspicious about the yogurt his opponent is eating and wonders why the flavors change from day to day — the other believes there is some sort of device hidden in his opponent's chair and demands to have it examined.

The hassles give way to a hotel room scene where Anatoly reflects on who he is, what is expected of him. He wonders whether or not the championship is worth all the conflict.

During round one Freddie accuses Anatoly of cheating. Freddie makes a scene and storms out of the playing hall. He leaves his second, the arbiter, Anatoly, and Molokov, in the position of finding a way to get the games to resume. Sound familiar?

In a later scene, set in Freddie's hotel room, Freddie is yelling and accusing Florence of cooperating with the Russians. It takes you back to a scene in the play where Freddie is accused of being paranoid and responds by saying, "I'm not paranoid! They are really out to get me." In disgust, Florence warns Freddie that she has had enough, she tells him they are expected to meet with Anatoly and Molokov to resolve the conflict so the games may resume. Freddie refuses.

As the story develops, Florence and Anatoly become attracted to one another. Freddie discovers this romance when he bursts through a door and finds them embracing and kissing. The sight sends him into a rage.

A few days later, we see Freddie losing the match. He is obviously still disturbed by the betrayal of Florence. Florence, in her roll as second, offers some advice to Freddie. He orders her out. In her anger, she packs to leave Bangkok and Freddie.

Florence is given a letter from Anatoly. The letter states that the Russian wishes to defect. That, in spite of his being married, he loves her and wants to be with her, and is defecting for that reason. So Anatoly and Florence escape together. But not as quietly as hoped. When they arrive at the airport, they are mobbed by the press. The news had leaked. Everyone wanted to know why



Ray Fryx photo

Anatoly Sergievsky (played by Alex Andrikos) sits in his hotel room pondering the conflict. Andrikos portrayed the character, including the Russian accent, with perfection and managed to portray his character's voice just as well in his song.

he was defecting.

The second act sets the scene a couple of months later. The match has moved from Italy to Thailand, as the second half of the World Chess Championship is about to take place. As luck would have it, the timing of the match coincided with a summit meeting scheduled between the USA and the Russians. The result was a political move. The Soviets allowed their defecting Anatoly to move behind the Iron Curtain to take on the American.

Behind the Iron Curtain, Anatoly engages Florence in a conversation about her homeland of Budapest. Florence talks about how she has no memory of it since she had been away so long. She talks of the hope of perhaps seeing her father who was last seen by her during the 1956 Hungarian uprising — if he is still alive.

Molokov offers to help Florence find her father if he is still around.

In the spirit of a true love triangle, the scene moves to a hotel where Freddie is staying. We see Freddie quite enraged as he discovers Florence and Anatoly are staying at the hotel as well.

Freddie's manager encourages him to get it together and shape up for the match. And he does so.

When the match resumes, Freddie has the advantage over the emotionally drained Anatoly.

The Russian government, not wanting

to lose Anatoly, works to find a plan to convince him to renounce his defection. Anatoly's second presents an envelope that contains information on the whereabouts of Florence's father and suggests that a deal can be arranged for a trade.

Molokov takes Florence to meet a man who just may be her father. Not recognizing him due to his advanced age, he sings her a lullaby that convinces her he is the father she had longed to see.

Back at the match, we see an exhausted, mentally drained Anatoly enter the game hall and begin to play. Anatoly, deciding to accept the KGB offer to return to Russia in exchange for Florence being reunited with her father, purposely makes a blunder. Freddie wins the contest.

The show concludes with Florence saying a tearful goodbye to Freddie as he heads home to Russia. Once out of sight, she is told that she had been had. The man who claimed he was her father, turned out not to be her father. Her father was dead. Florence was informed that Anatoly had been traded by the U.S. for a captured CIA agent.

Realizing she had been betrayed by her own country. Realizing she had lost her father. Realizing she had lost the man she loved. Florence closes the play as she is left standing alone.

This is not a love story with a happy ending. But like chess, sometimes the ending is not what you expect it to be. ♫

The Harper Court experience

See you there — if you dare!

by George F. David

Chess at the Harper Court is a unique experience—a bit different from other Midwest chess. Those chess players bold enough to venture to “the court” may feel they are playing outside in the Roman Forum. When you venture down the steps to the sunken court, you will see four small crowds of ten to 20 people circled about each battle. When you get up them to see what they are looking upon, you see two chess players straddled across the chess benches, engaged in the battle with eyes on the board.

If you seek a quiet and boring game, without an audience, you can play on the side. However, if you want to join the fun on the benches, you call, “Next game!” which puts you in line. The bench games are “rise and fly.” You play as long as you win. When you sit down on the bench, you may feel you are at Soldier Field ready for battle, because the crowd does cheer, talk and groan. Often times, the camaraderie with the group is more than the chess as many jokes are told. Everyone watching is not usually in line, so the wait for a game is short. Blitz and Quick chess is the norm here.

The “regulars” include University of Chicago students, lawyers, doctors, kids (they can play), police, well... everybody. The benches are informally ranked “A” or “Big Boys Table”, on down. You will know where you will want to play and where you belong, but no one is excluded.

On the “Big Boys Table” you may encounter “Uncle Marvin”, otherwise known as Marvin Dandridge. Chess personas such as “Bala”, “Baby AI” (Allen Hammond) or “Permanent Supreme” (George F. David) can also be found at the Court. Each has a special style, with entertaining banter, to go with their games. Marvin may say, “Step on up here. Uncle Marvin ain't gonna hurt ya none.”



Photo courtesy: George David

The player nicknamed “Bala” holds the table by winning his game here at Harper Court in the Hyde Park area of Chicago.

The fun starts in the early afternoon and goes well into the night—although the court officially closes at 11pm.

You will find Harper Court in the heart of the Hyde Park business district. It is outside, in the middle of Harper

Avenue, between 53rd and 52nd Streets in Chicago. Harper Avenue is a half mile from the 53rd Street exit of Lake Shore Drive

See you there...

If you dare!

□



Photo courtesy: George David

As the day ends, Expert Blair Machaj challenges “Permanent Supreme” for control of the “A” table.

Pedzich and Ramamoorthy win Normal Open

by Dennis Bourgerie

A surprisingly large turnout of 41 players showed up at the Fairfield Inn for the Year 2000 Normal, II. July Open. The field was quite strong at the top, with five players rated above 2000.

When the last pawn had been sacrificed, the top-rated player Dominik Pedzich (FIDE 2422) of Schiller Park, had tied for first with a perfect 4-0 score.

In a stunning tournament performance Shankar Ramamoorthy (1542) of Bloomington, IL defeated Goran Galiot (2209) of Chicago in the third round and went on to defeat William Barton (1699) of Bloomington, IL in the fourth round to achieve a perfect 4-0 score and a tie with Pedzich. Shankar is an improving player with a creative style!

Pedzich and Ramamoorthy shared the first and second-prize money.

The Under 2000 and Under 1600 prize money was shared by 5 players:

David Long (1847) of Springfield, IL 3.0;

Andy McCormick (1519) of Charleston, IL 3.0;

Tony Brown (1291) of McLean, IL 3.0;

Patrick Peregoy (1485) of Normal, IL 3.0;

and Joe Ochiltree (1309) of Bloomington, IL 3.0.

Jerry Bennett (1122) of Decatur, IL won the Under 1200 prize money with 2.5.

The trophy winners were as follows: first place, Dominik Pedzich 4.0;

Class A, David Long 3.0;

Class B, William Barton (1699) of Bloomington, IL 2.0;

Class C, Shankar Ramamoorthy, 4.0;

Class D, Tony Brown (1291) 3.0;

Class E, Jerry Bennett 2.5;

Under 1000, Abe Shaker (929) of Bloomington, IL 2.0;

and Unrated, Adam Chednis of Crystal Lake, IL 2.5.

Stan Ilic (2087) of Downers Grove, IL



Dennis Bourgerie photo

Tony Brown watches as Chris Merli (left) defends against Joe Ochiltree's Torre attack in round two.

and Ken Wallach (2261) of Deerfield, IL turned in strong performances to score 3.5 – 0.5, but finished out of the money. Eight times out of ten they would have been money-winners, but this tournament was one of the exceptions!

Here are some of the many interesting games:

Ramamoorthy, Shankar (1542) - Galiot, Goran (2209) [B44]

Year 2000 Normal, II July Open (2), 15.07.2000

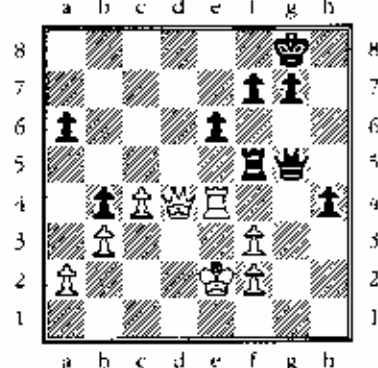
This game was the upset of the tournament and enabled Ramamoorthy to go on and tie for first place.

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e6 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bd3 d5 7.exd5 Qxd5 8.0-0 a6 9.Nxc6 Qxc6 10.Bf4 Be7 11.Nd2 0-0 12.Qc2 b5 13.Rac1 Bb7 14.Nf3 Rfd8 15.Rfel h6 16.Bf1 Be5 17.h3 Qb6 18. Be3 Bxf3

Black weakens the white kingside.

19.gxf3 Nd5 20.Bxc5 Qxc5 21.Re5 Qc7 22.Reel Nf4 23.Qe4 Rd5 24.c4 Rg5+ 25.Kh1 Re8 26.Re3 b4 27.Rcc3 Rh5 28.Kgl Nxf3+ 29.Bxf3 Rxf3 30.b3

Qh2+ 31.Kf1 Rd8 32.Rd3 Rxd3 33. Qxd3 Qf4 34.Ke2 Rh5 35.Kd1 Rf5 36. Re3 h5 37.Ke2 h4 38.Re4 Qg5 39.Qd4



39...g6 40.Rg4 Re5+ 41.Kd3 Qf5+ 42. Kd2 h3 43.Qd8+ Kg7 44.Rh4 Qg5+ 45. Qxg5 Rfg5 46.Rxf3 Rg2 47.Kd3 Rxf2 48.c5 Rxa2 49.Ke4 a5 50.c6

White's counterplay is based on this c-pawn.

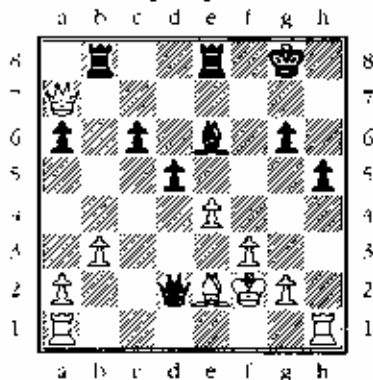
50...Rb2 51.Kh5 Kf8 52.Kb6 a4 53. bxa4 b3 54.c7 Rc2 55.Rh1 b2 56.Rb1 Ke7 57.Kb7 Kd7 58.Rd1+ Ke7 59.c8Q 1-0

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Ilic, Stanimir (2087) - Wallach, Ken (2261) [E84]
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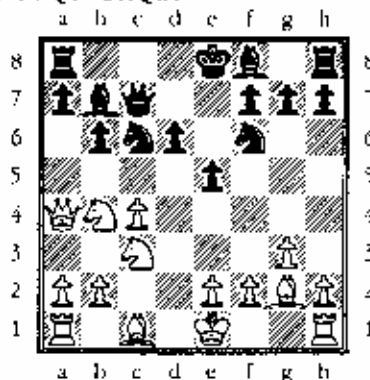
1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.
f3 0-0 6.Be3 Nc6 7.Qd2 Re8 8.h4 a6 9.
Nge2 Rb8 10.Bh6 Bh8 11.h5 e5 12.Nd5
Nxd5 13.cxd5 Nxd4 14.Be3 c5 15.dxc6
bxc6 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.
Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 d5 20.b3 Qa5+
21.Kf2 Be6 22.Qa7 Qd2+ 23.Be2 h5



24.Qe3 Qxe3+ 25.Kxe3 dxe4 26.f4 a5
27.Rad1 Rb4 28.Rd6 a4 29.bxa4 Rxa4
30.Rxc6 Ra3+ 31.Kf2 e3+ 32.Kf3 Kf7
33.Bb5 Re7 34.Ra6 Rxa6 35.Bxa6 Ra7
36.Bd3 Ra3 37.Be4 Kf6 38.Re1 e2+ 39.
Kf2 Bg4 40.Bb1 Bf5 41.Kxe2 Bxb1 42.
Rxb1 Kf5 43.Rb3 Ra4 44.Ke3 Rxa2
45.Kf3 Ra6 46.Rb5+

Ken Wallach had more time on his clock at this point. The game continued for a few more moves but was eventually drawn. 1/2-1/2

Merli, Chris (2129) - Gower, Dan (1154) [A31]
Year 2000 Normal, IL July Open (3),
15.07.2000
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 d6
5.Nc3 e5 6.Nc2 Nc6 7.g3 b6 8.Bg2 Bb7
9.Nb4 Qc7 10.Qa4

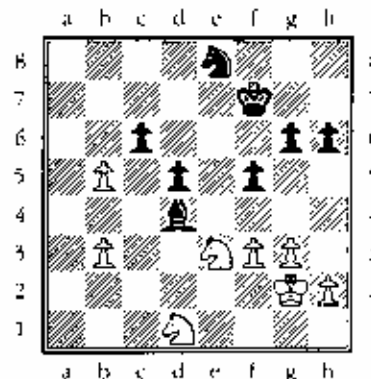


10...Nd7 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.Qxc6 Qxc6
13.Nxc6 Rc8 14.Nxa7 Rxc4 15.Be3 Be7
16.0-0 0-0 17.Rfd1 f5 18.f4 exf4 19.
Bxf4 Ne5 20.Nd5 Bd8 21.Nb5 g5 22.
Nxd6 gxf4 23.gxf4 Rc2 24.fxe5 Rxe2
25.Re1 Rxb2 26.e6 f4 27.e7 Bxe7 28.
Nxe7+ Kg7 29.Rf1 f3 30.Nef5+ Kh8
31.Rxf3 Rg8+ 32.Ng3 1-0

Ochiltree, Joe (1309) - Merli, Chris (2129) [A48]
2000 Normal, IL July Open (2),
15.07.2000

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5 b6 4.Bxf6 exf6
5.e4 d6 6.e3 Bg7 7.Bd3 Nc6 8.0-0 0-0
9.Qc2 Ne7 10.Re1 f5 11.Nbd2 fxe4 12.
Bxe4 Bf5 13.Re2 Qd7 14.Rae1 Rfe8

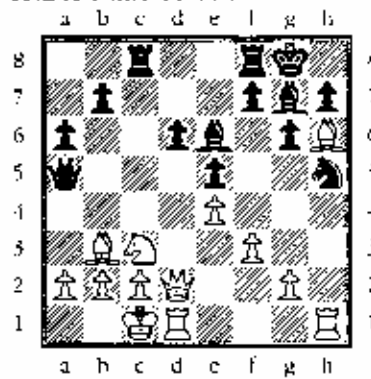
15.Nh4 Bxe4 16.Rxe4 Nd5 17.Rxe8+
Rxe8 18.Rxe8+ Qxe8 19.g3 Qe1- 20.
Nf1 e6 21.Ng2 Qe7 22.Nge3 Nf6 23.
Nd2 b5 24.a4 a6 25.axb5 axb5 26.b3
Qa7 27.Kg2 Qa8 28.f3 Qa7 29.Ne4
Ne8 30.Qe1 f5 31.Nf2 b4
Weakening the White pawn structure.
32.cxb4 Qxd4 33.Qe4+ d5 34.Qxd4
Bxd4 35.Nfd1 Kf7 36.b5



36...Ke6 37.bxc6 Kd6 38.Nc2 Bb6 39.
Nc3 Ne7 40.g4 fxg4 41.fxg4 Kxc6 42.
Ne2 Ne6 43.Kf3 Ng5+ 44.Kg2 Ne4 45.
b4 Kb5 46.Ned4+ Bxd4 47.Nxd4+
Kxb4 48.Nc6+ Kc3 49.Ne7 d4 50.Nd5+
Kc4 51.Nf4 g5 52.Nh3 d3 53.Kf3 d2
54.Ke2 Kc3 55.Kd1 Kd3 0-1

Long, David (1847) - Shaker, Ahe (970) [B78]
2000 Normal, IL July Open (1),
15.07.2000

1.e4 e5 2.Ne3 d6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2
Bd7 9.Bc4 Nc6 10.0-0-0 Nxd4 11.
Bxd4 a6 12.h4 Rc8 13.Bb3 Qa5 14.h5
e5 15.Be3 Nxb5 16.Bh6 Be6



17.Rxh5! Bxb3 [17...gxh5 18.Qg5 Qd8
19.Qxg7#] 18.Bxg7 Rxc3 [18...Kxg7 19.
Qh6+ Kf6; 18...gxh5 19.Bf6] 19.Rxh7
Rxc2+ [19...Kxh7 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.
Qh8#] 20.Qxc2 Bxc2 [20...Kxh7 21.
Bf6] 21.Bf6

Black resigned here. The finish would be 21...Kxh7 22 Rh1+ Kg8 23 Rh8 mate.
1-0

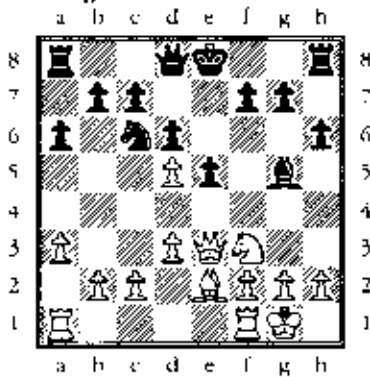


Noah Tilton of Peoria (left) plays Steve McNeil of Springfield as William Little of Cairo watches.

Shaker, Abe (970) - Tilton, Noah
(Unrated) [C47]

2000 Normal, IL July Open (2),
15.07.2000

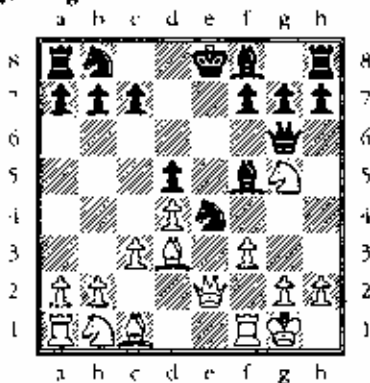
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d3 d6 5.
Be2 h6 6.Be3 Be7 7.0-0 Be6 8.a3 a6 9.
Qc1 Ng4 10.Nd5 Nxe3 11.Qxe3 Bxd5
12.exd5 Bg5



13.Nxg5 Qxg5 14.Qxg5 hxg5 15.dxc6
b5 16.c3 d5 17.a4 d4 18.axb5 0-0 19.
Rxa6 Rxa6 20.bxa6 Rb8 21.a7 g4 22.
axb8Q+ Kh7 23.Qxe7 dxc3 24.bxc3
1-0

Brown, Tony D. (1291) - Boskey, Rich
(unrated) [A45]

2000 Normal, IL July Open, 15.07.2000
1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 e5 3.c3 exd4 4.exd4 Ne4
5.Bd3 Qh4 6.Qc2 d5 7.Nf3 Qg4 8.0-0
Qg6 9.Ng5 Bf5 10.f3



10...Bd6 11.fxex4 dxe4 12.Nxe4 0-0 13.
Qf3 Be6 14.Nxd6 cxd6 15.Bxg6 hxg6
16.Qxb7 Nd7 17.d5 Nc5 18.Qc6 Bd7
19.Qxd6 Rac8 20.b4 Bb5 21.bxc5 Bxf1
22.Kxf1 Rfe8 23.c6 Rcd8 24.Qc5 Re5
25.c4 Rde8 26.Bd2 Rf5+ 27.Kg1 Re2
28.c7 a5 29.c8Q+ Kh7 30.Qxf5 gxf5
31.Qf2 Rxf2 32.Kxf2 Kg6 33.Bc3 f6
34.d6 Kf7 35.Bxa5 Ke6 36.Bc7 g5 37.
a4 f4 38.a5
1-0

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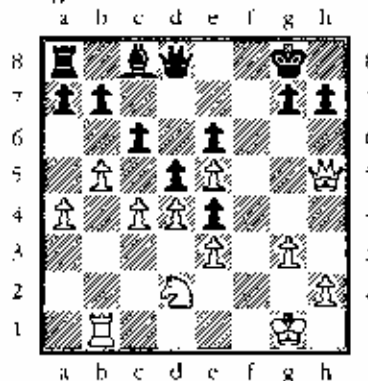


Dennis Bourgeois photo

Andy McCormick (left) contemplates his response after David Kaplan plays 3.Bc4.

Ilic, Stanimir (2087) - Brown, Tony D.
(1291) [D30]

2000 Normal, IL July Open (2),
1.d4 d5 2.e4 e6 3.Nf3 f5 4.g3 c6 5.Bg2
Bd6 6.b3 Nf6 7.Ba3 0-0 8.0-0 Ne4 9.
Bxd6 Qxd6 10.Ne5 Nd7 11.f3 Nxe5 12.
fxe4 [Avoiding the nasty trap of 12.
dxe5? Qc5+ 13.Kh1 Nf2-] 12...Ng4 13.
e5 Qd8 14.Qd3 Qg5 15.Rf4 Qd8 16.
Nd2 Nh6 17.b4 Qb6 18.Rb1 Nf7 19.e3
Ng5 20.b5 Qa5 21.Rf2 Ne4 22.Bxe4
fxe4 23.Rxf8+ Kxf8 24.Qe2 Qd8 25.
Qh5 Kg8 26.a4



26...a6 27.bxc6 bxc6 28.a5 h6 29.Rb6
Bd7 30.c5 Kh7 31.Qf7 Ra7 32.h4 Ra8
33.Rb7 Qxa5 34.Rxd7 Rg8 35.Nf1 Qe1
The Knight on f1 provides a perfect for-
tress for White, blocking checks on the
first rank and protecting the pawns on e3
and g3
36.h5 a5 37.Re7 a4
1-0

The score sheet is not decipherable after
move 37. White has several threats...for
example: 38. Rxe6 (Threatening mate in
2). 38...Kh8

[38...a3 39 Rxb6- Kxb6 40 Qg6#]
39. Re8 Rxe8 40. Qxe8+ Kh7 41.
Qg6+ Kg8 42. e6 a3 43. e7 a2 44.
e8=Q#

McCormick, Andy (1513) - Barton,
Bill (1699) [D26]

2000 Normal, IL April Open (3),
08.04.2000

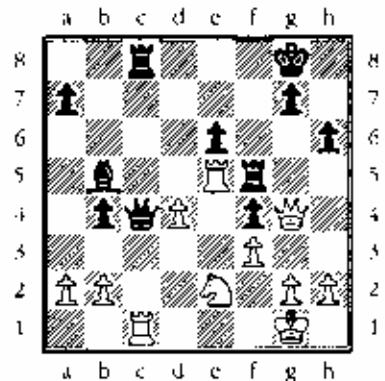
This game was played in the 2000 Nor-
mal, IL April Open. I tried to include it
in that tournament report, but only got a
copy of the scoresheet at a later time.
1.d4 c6 2.e4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.
Nc3 e6

The Botvinnik- Panov attack in the
Caro-Kann and Scandinavian Defenses
has been reached.

6.Bg5 dxe4 7.Bxe4 Be7 8.Nf3 0-0 9.0-0
Nc6 10.Qd2 b6 11.Rad1 Bb7 12.Qe2
Na5 13.Bd3 Nd5 14.Bxe7 Nxe7 15.Ne5
Nac6 16.Nxe6 Bxe6 17.Bc4 Re8 18.Bb3
Qd7

The trading off of two sets of minor
pieces has improved Black's chances of
a successful defense.

19.Rd3 b5 20.Qh5 b4 21.Rh3 h6 22.
Ne2 Nd5 23.Bxd5 Qxd5 24.Qg4 f5 25.
Qg3 f4 26.Qg4 Rf6 27.f3 Bb5 28.Rh5
Qc4 29.Re5 Rf5 30.Rc1



30...Qxcl+ 31.Nxcl Rxc1+ 32.Kf2
Rf1#
0-1

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Pete Karagianis presents a game from the Officers Appreciation Tornado #1

Karagianis, Pete (1589)

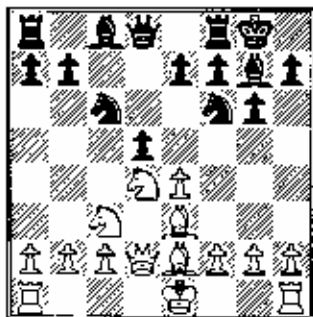
Chiu, Herman (2061)

Officers Appreciation Tornado #1

Peoria, IL 4/15/2000

[Pete Karagianis]

1.e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 g6 5. Nc3 Bg7 6. Be3 Nf6 7. Be2 O-O 8. Qd2 d5



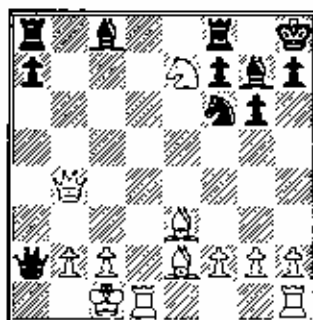
8... d5 is premature, I think. It drops a pawn with the queenside castle after 9. Nxc6 and 10.0-0-0 because the pawn is pinned to the queen and Black cannot take without going down a rook. Be6 is

an option, but hinders development.

9. Nxc6 bxc6 10. O-O-O Qa5

10... Qa5 offers temporary relief to the problem of losing a pawn for Black, threatening White's kingside, but Nxe7 regains the pawn and tempo.

11. exd5 cxd5 12. Nxd5 Qxa2 13. Nxe7+ Kh8 14. Qh4



14. Qh4 secures the position and also threatens 15.Bc4, a queen trap. Black does not react. Ba6 (almost) forces the trade and stops the trap.

14... Ba6 15. Bxa6 Qxa6 16. Rhe1 Rab8 17. Qa3

Up a pawn, the queen trade here would benefit White. It is also imperative for White to defend his kingside.

17... Qb7 18. Bd4

Bd4 defends the knight and threatens 19. Qc3, if the possibility arises.

18... Qxg2 19. Be5

This move erased any possible checks for Black and forced Black to move his rook. Rb5 is an error. In my opinion, the rook must stay on the eighth rank, either on a8 or e8. Before moving here, Black used the bulk of the time on his clock. He finally played Rb5. Later, he suggested Qb7 and going down the exchange. The line offers many possibilities, but most likely would not hold.

19... Rb5? 20. Bxf6 Bxf6 21. Nxf6+

The obvious picking up the rook.

21... hxg6 22. Qxf8+ Kh7 23. Qxf7+ Bg7 24. Rg1

24. Rg1 seems to finish the attack, threatening g6 and taking away all good checks.

24... Qe4 25. Rd7

Still no checks, this seals the game, as Black cannot defend both g7 and g6 at the same time.

25... Kh6 26. Qxg7+ Kh5 27. Qh7++ 1-0

Certainly the unique move selection by both White and Black offers many intriguing positions. Each move has both positives and negatives. ♞

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USCF unveils another way to play chess in Illinois

by Joan DuBois

On August 10, the United States Chess Federation, in cooperation with GamesParlor, Inc., unveiled their new, official online chess playing service, US Chess Live, at the 101st U.S. Open. The service is available to all USCF members; current plans include a monthly lecture series, banter games, contests, online play, interactive quizzes and puzzles and much more.

US Chess Live, located at www.USChessLive.org, is a full-featured, comprehensive service that appeals to all types of chess players. It is the most comprehensive tournament system on the Internet. In addition to the typical features found in other services, US Chess Live will offer many great enhancements. Logged-on players will find an easy to use interface, live individual help will be available during prime time and dozens of chess variations, including Bughouse, Crazyhouse and Fischer Random, will be offered. A color-coded seek graph will make finding opponents a snap, and players will have the ability to view as many as 32 boards simultaneously. A powerful messaging system will allow players to send messages to users both online and offline. A powerful smart-tab system has been included to allow chatting in multiple rooms simultaneously. A comprehensive, personal rating system (or "recommended play level"), showing a detailed breakdown of personal ratings for each of the primary chess variations played online, is also included.

In the coming months, new features will be added.

Plans include a real-time audio chat system allowing users to speak to each other; a video system which will broadcast tournaments and special events; specialized server areas with customized features, including a specific area for scholastic players, accessible to children and coaches; interactive lessons with puzzles and quizzes and expanded live help hours.

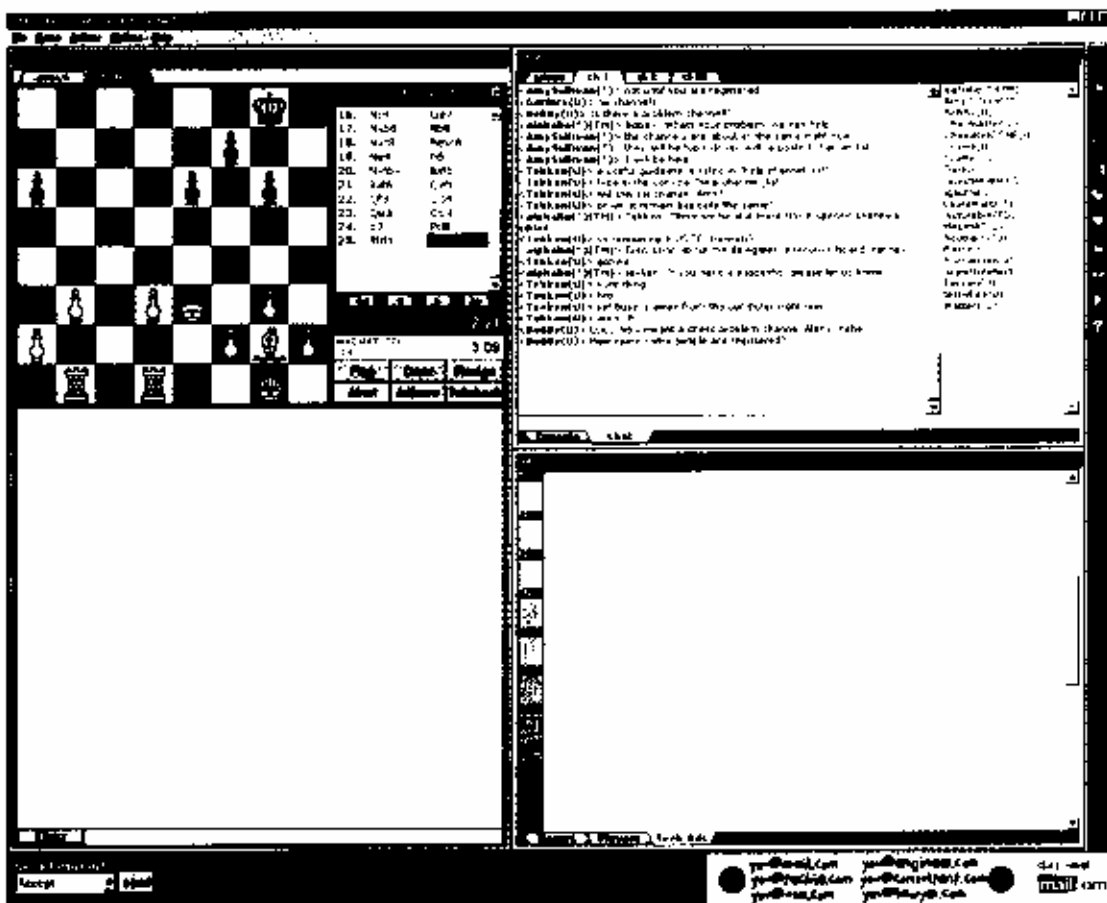
US Chess Live will also feature regular events, including scheduled tournaments, banter chess, simuls, lectures, and group lessons. Two titled players will play banter chess games. The players will describe their strategy and analyze the game while they play. Although the two titled players will be unaware of each other's comments, spectators will

be permitted to interact with the players and ask questions. Simuls will be planned regularly with titled players. View an up-to-date schedule of ongoing and special events at www.USChessLive.org.

To kick off the service a drawing held to play the FIDE World Champion in a simul.

The United States Chess Federation, founded in 1939, serves as the governing body for chess in the United States and is devoted to extending the role of chess in American society. It promotes the study and knowledge of the game of chess, for its own sake as an art and enjoyment, and as a means for the improvement of society. The USCF is a not-for-profit membership organization, with nearly 90,000 members.

For additional information you may write to the U.S. Chess Federation, 3054 NYS Route 9W, New Windsor, NY 12553, call (845) 562-8350 or fax (845) 561-2437. World Wide Web: www.uschess.org. E



If you play chess on the Internet Chess Club, you will find the screens of U.S. Chess Live a little different than you are accustomed to seeing. U.S. Chess features tabs to help maneuver through chat rooms and live games.

The votes are in

Illinois journalists credited with four CJA awards

The Chess Journalists of America (CJA) announced the winners of their Annual Chess Journalism Awards on August 11th. The CJA annually judges a number of categories of chess journalism. Members of the CJA have an opportunity to submit work that was published in a year that ends June 30th. This year's judging, with Helen Warren as Chief Judge, covered a period from July 1999 through June 2000. The *Illinois Chess Bulletin* (ICB) editor submitted a number of entries for work published during this period. Entries submitted were Best State Magazine (under 1000), Best Cover, Best Art, Best Cartoon, Best Article Series, and more. Illinois did well. The ICB earned first-place awards in 3 categories (one out of ten!) and APCT (located in Illinois) also won a first-place award.

The CJA is an American organization of chess journalists created to promote high quality chess journalism, to provide assistance to the working journalist through articles and contacts and to recognize chess journalism at its best through an annual awards program.

Following is a list of winners. The Illinois winners are highlighted.

Chess Journalist of the Year – Al Lawrence
 Best State Magazine – *Chess Horizons*, P. Sherwood
Best State Magazine Under 1000 – *Illinois Chess Bulletin*,
 Josh Flores and Roy Frye
 Best Club Bulletin – *En Passant*, Bob Dudley
 Best Postal Magazine – *APCT News Bulletin*, Helen Warren
 Best New Magazine – *A Lightning Bulletin*, USPCL, Steve
 Cohen
 Best Cover – *Chess Life*, Glenn Petersen
 Best Layout – *Chess Horizons*, P. Sherwood
 Best Regular Magazine Column – “Chess to Enjoy”, A. Soltis,
Chess Life TIED WITH “Endgame Edge”, Tom Britt,
Columbus Chess Gazette

Best Tournament Report – “100th US Open: The biggest little strike it rich in Reno”, P. Sherwood, *Chess Horizons*
 Best Regular Newspaper Column – “Chess”, D. Sands, *Washington Times*
 Best Regular Newspaper Column of Local Interest – “Chess, A Knight’s Tour”, B. Cornwall, *Sun Sentinel*
 Best Newspaper Tournament Report – “GM Ivanov Shines in The Eastern”, D. Sands, *Washington Times*
 Best Chess Promotion – “Beauty of the Game”, B. Thiede, *Creative Hoofing*
 Best Human Interest Story – “An Interview W F. Brady”, P. Tamburro, *The Chess Journalist*
 Best Humorous Contribution – “Get the Director”, Joe Whitehead, *Chess Horizons*
 Best Review – “Problem Solving Books: Nunn’s *Chess Puzzles*, Ziatinov’s
 Best Analysis, Opening – “What’s the Deal with the BDG”, M. Shibut, *FCN*
 Best Analysis, Ending – “Benko...”, *Chess Life*
 Best Analysis, Other – “A Most Memorable Game”, M. Gengston, *Chess Horizons*
 Best Instruction – “Opening Notebook...”, Bennett, *Chess Horizons* TIED WITH “Bamboozling the Machine”, F. Wilson, *ACN*
Best Cartoon – “Draw Offer”, Labraco, *Illinois Chess Bulletin*
Best Chess Art – *Illinois Chess Bulletin*, Josh Flores
 Best Chess Photograph – “Chess Mania at South Station”, Tony Cortizas, *Chess Horizons*
 Best New Book – “Just the Facts”, Lawrence, Albur, Krogus
 Best Online Article – “Bobby Fischer’s Friends Don’t Pay Retail”, Albur and Lawrence, www.chesscafe.com

*Congratulations to Illinois' award winning journalists:
 Josh Flores, Michael Labraco, Helen Warren and Roy Frye*

ILLINOIS' TOP 35 CHESS PLAYERS

1. DMITRY GUREVICH	2635
2. FLORIN FELECAN	2510
3. G. RASTENAS	2475
4. GREG DEFOTIS	2462
5. OSMAN PALOS	2457
6. ANGELO YOUNG	2454
7. RICHARD VERBER	2433
8. LEONID KAUSHANSKY	2412
9. PETER PEETS	2411
10. PIERRE MOULIN	2406
11. CESAR MARIANO	2394
12. DOMINICK PEDZICH	2365
13. S. VASSILEV	2357
14. ANDREW KARKLINS	2349
15. DANIEL WOLF	2321
16. DEJAN MAKSIMOVIC	2316
17. ANTHONY DEMPSEY	2310
18. RICO SALIMBAGAT	2302
19. DAVID MOTE	2292
20. DIMITRY OLEZSKI	2280
21. MARVIN DANDRIDGE	2278
22. M. JAKUBOWSKI	2277
23. CHUCK KRAMER	2274
24. ALAN WATSON	2272
25. DAVID RUBIN	2267
26. H. TRUONG	2265
27. MARK LONOF	2265
28. ALAN KORNFELD	2264
29. MARIANO ACOSTA	2261
30. ALEXANDER BOTTA	2260
31. KEN WALLACH	2257
32. WARREN KRECKLER	2253
33. ALBERT CHOW	2251
34. KERT STEIN	2249
35. STEVE TENNANT	2249

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St Charles Chess Club

by Dan Pradt

June 15: GM Greg Serper gave a Simultaneous exhibition, playing 30 boards, and generously allowing a few players to have White. No one was able to dent Serper's conservative lines for a win, but six players did manage a draw.

Unrated Clint Homan was the first to reach a dead even position, and Expert Jeff was the last game to reach a legitimate finish, as Jeff scratched out an end-game draw. Due to the lateness of the hour, The GM graciously conceded draws to Experts Jim Marshall, Mike Aaron, and Blair Machaj, and B rated Carl Staples. All four games had considerable play left, with Serper holding a slight edge or even position in all of them.



Ray Fryc photo

Jim Oberweis is a regular player at the St Charles Chess Club Ladder Tournament.

June 23: Our game/10 tournament was won by Blair Machaj, who beat Ed Cummins in round four, and Marcus Stinson in round five to finish at 5-0. Cummins and Stinson shared second place with Jim Marshall and Juniors Jesse Freidel and Tyler Belding, all 4-1. Marshall lost to Stinson in round four, Freidel to Stinson in round two, and Belding drew twice with Jeff Wiewel and Frank Gilberto. Scoring 3.5 were Wiewel, Bo Meissen, Roger Allison, and Dimitry Giannakopoulos.

July 13: Our second theme night opening was 1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 Nf6 4.b3. Does this look innocuous, or even soporific? It's a main line of the Colle System, a good opening for attacking players. Not many people realized this—White scored 10-1 with 3 draws. This left some grumbling about the choice of opening, and others thinking they might try the line.

Changing of the Guard?

Jeff Wiewel has not always won the Knights' Cup, but has come in first in the qualifying ladder tournament every time in the last eight years. This year may be different, as Blair Machaj currently leads Jeff 18.5 to 16. Others in contention are Jim Oberweis 14.5, Ray Satterlee 14.5, Dimitry Giannakopoulos 13.5, Chuck Giertz 13, Paul Freidel 12.5, Wally Alberts 12, Jeremiah Freidel, Jason Duncan, and Dan Pradt 11.5, Marcus Stinson 11, Carl Staples and Mike Aaron 10.5, and Rudy Padilla, Bill Buttny, and Jesse Freidel at 10. ☞

Elmhurst Chess Club

by Roger Birkeland

Our Game/35 Quads are some of our most popular tournaments, and the latest installment of this format, held on **June 11th**, was no exception. Twenty-eight players turned out to match wits with similarly rated opponents at a time control that allows for reasonably good chess. Dejan Maksimovic (2305) again demonstrated his mastery over some of the club's top players with a perfect score of 3-0 in the top quad. I would like to let his many chess friends know that "Max", who applied for a work visa in January, was finally notified in June that his visa had been approved. After spending part of the summer back in Yugoslavia, he returned to the Chicago area in August to take up permanent residence. He looks forward to the Illinois Open, in which he finished second last year to GM Gurevich. It was nice to see "A" player Brian Golchert back at the club, and he was glad to be back after posting a perfect 3-0 to take the second quad. The third section saw a tie (both at 2-1) between local blitz star George David and Herb Baumann, visiting from Texas for the second straight summer. In the evenly-matched fourth quad Richard Lung narrowly held off the field take clear first with 2.5-5. Veteran Orlan Smith was in good form in the fifth section as he defeated three other "C" players to post a perfect 3-0. Paul Kash, a local scholastic chess coach, also turned in a perfect 3-0 in the sixth quad. Three players, Ron Sloan and juniors Jonathan Lung and Illinois state primary-grades champion Byron Chen, split the money in the last section with identical scores of 2-1.

On **June 16, 17 & 18** we hosted the latest incarnation of Master Challenge. This year's event, sponsored jointly with the St. Charles Chess Club, was a definite success. One hundred-one players, including GM Gregory Serper and three

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IMs, competed for \$4000 in prizes. See the cover article for details.

Eighteen players assembled on June 25 to vie for the prizes in a five-round Game/15 event. Dejan Maksimovic (Quick Rating 2374) proved much too tough for the rest of the field as his perfect 5-0 was 1.5 points ahead of the nearest rivals. The number two, three and four players on the wallchart were all shut out of the prize money as Ely Sollano, junior Andrey Gorlin and Herb Baumann shared second with 3.5-1.5. Greg Witek, Paul Kash, Brian Beauban and junior Jusuf Pekovic were best under 1600 with 2-3.

Another of our most popular events is the four-round Game/45, held over two consecutive weeks. Our fears that people may not be able to commit to two weeks in the summer proved groundless when 30 players competed in such a tournament on July 9 & 16. With "Max" temporarily out of the country the field was wide open, and near-experts Blair Machaj and Justin Sadauskas stepped in to share the top prizes of \$135 with scores of 3.5-5. Five players, all at 3-1, Robert Loncarevic, Roger Allison, Andrew Groeger, Vinay Doma and Rudy Padilla, split the Under 2000 money. Brian Beauban and Brian Fox were best Under 1400 with 2-2.

Some players never get enough chess, so a few people hustled over to the club after the last round of the Central States Class to play in a Game/29 Quad on July 23. The 16 players were conveniently divided into four sections, and the top quad was won by junior Alan Rose with the good result of 2.5-5. Vinay Doma prevailed with a perfect 3-0 in the second section, and Rudy Padilla narrowly held off three rivals in the third quad with 2-1. Brian Fox, whose rating climbs every week, bested three juniors in the last section with 2.5-5.

See our ad on page three regarding a \$1000 prize fund event on October 10th!

Bureau County Mini-Tour June 3, 2000

							score	tour
1	COHEN Lawrence	1937	W10	W19	W6	D2	3.5	7.5XA
2	CONDON James K	1900	W12	W15	W8	D1	3.5	7.5XA
3	LONG David	1847	W16	D4	W7	D6	3	4XA
4	MILES Kyle	1359	W18	D3	W17	D7	3	4XABCD
5	SOMERVILLE Jeff	1157	L17	W14	W13	X	3	4XABCDE
6	BOURGERIE Dennis	1700	W21	W11	L1	D3	2.5	2.5XAB
7	RAMAMOORTHY S	1542	W9	W17	L3	D4	2.5	2.5XABC
8	PANNER Glenn	2052	W14	W13	L2	H	2.5	2.5X
9	SPIROS George	1173	L7	W23	W19	D12	2.5	2.5XABCDE
10	BEAUBAN Brian	1220	L1	W22	W18	H	2.5	2.5XABCD
11	KELLY James R	1333	W24	L6	W20	H	2.5	2.5XABCD
12	STUMM Jurgen	1188	L2	W24	D15	D9	2	2XABCDE
13	TOMANEK Ray	1395	W23	L8	L5	W21	2	2XABCD
14	OCHILTREE Joe	1309	L8	L5	W24	W20	2	2XABCD
15	GRUENBERG Fred	1500	W20	L2	D12	H	2	2XABC
16	CUNNINGHAM Robert	1177	L3	L18	W22	W24	2	2XABCDE
17	NAFF William A	2019	W5	L7	L4	H	1.5	1.5X
18	BACIDORE James Jr		L4	W16	L10	H	1.5	
19	WEBB James	1480	W22	L1	L9	H	1.5	1.5XABC
20	HITE Darrell D	1087	L15	W21	L11	L14	1	1XABCDE
21	SCHULTE Bill	1222	L6	L20	W23	L13	1	1XABCD
22	SHANKAR Krishna	460	L19	L10	L16	D23	0.5	.5XABCDEFGH
23	ROBART Jason		L13	L9	L21	D22	0.5	
24	SCHWEICKERT Steven	989	L11	L12	L14	L16	0	

Officers' Appreciation #2 June 25, 2000

							score	tour
1	YOUNG Angelo IL	2472	W15	W12	W5	D2	3.5	7.5M
2	PALOS Osman IL	2437	W19	W14	W9	D1	3.5	7.5M
3	DUPUIS Brian M IL	1010	W28	W26	W4	H	3.5	7.5MXABCDE
4	NGUYEN Tam IL	2151	W20	W10	L3	W11	3	4MX
5	ZINYTCH Miron IL	2001	W16	W7	L1	W8	3	4MX
6	LAZEBNIK Y IL	1856	L11	W22	W20	W15	3	4MXA
7	ARAMIL William IL	1831	W25	L5	W21	W13	3	4MXA
8	BROCK William IL	1988	W21	D11	W12	L5	2.5	2.5MXA
9	GREGORY Jamie IL	1980	W17	W23	L2	D10	2.5	2.5MXA
10	COHEN Howard IL	1832	W24	L4	W16	D9	2.5	2.5MXA
11	HOSCH Yahshua IL	1511	W6	D8	W14	L4	2.5	2.5MXABC
12	COHEN Lawrence IL	1937	W22	L1	L8	W20	2	2MXA
13	MODES Daniel R IL	1884	L23	W27	W19	L7	2	2MXA
14	NORDAHL David IL	1868	W18	L2	L11	W22	2	2MXA
15	SMYTHE Bill IL	1800	L1	W17	W23	L6	2	2MXA
16	SHELLHAMER TIL	1431	L5	W25	L10	W24	2	2MXABC
17	BLACKMAN Wm IL	1392	L9	L15	W25	W27	2	2MXABC
18	DUPUIS Erik G IL	1362	L14	L19	W28	H	1.5	1.5MXABCD
19	ROGERS Nathan IL	1543	L2	W18	L13		1	1MXABC
20	BURNETT Jim IL	1457	L4	W24	L6	L12	1	1MXABC
21	KEMPNER Chips IL	1404	L8	W28	L7		1	1MXABC
22	DIVINSKY Greg IL	1385	L12	L6	W27	L14	1	1MXABCD
23	DUERKER John T IL	1374	W13	L9	L15		1	1MXABCD
24	OHLES Frederik IL	1251	L10	L20	B	L16	1	1MXABCD
25	LOPEZ Eugene C IL	1247	L7	L16	L17	W28	1	1MXABCD
26	LAHR H Fred IL	1844	H	L3			0.5	0.5MXA
27	SMITH William IL	818	H	L13	L22	L17	0.5	0.5MXABCDE
28	MURPHY Rick IL		L3	L21	L18	L25	0	

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Chicago Chess Club

by Bill Smythe

The Chicago Chess Club was graced with the presence of a new Philippine face on Saturday, June 10th, when Mark Paragua (2425) garnered the \$100 perfect-score prize in one of our Plus-Score Mini-Tours. Paragua defeated Osman Palos (2437), Jamie Gregory (1980), and two lesser lights. Palos and Gregory each won \$25 for their 3-1 scores.

The July 9th version of the same event was considerably weaker, as Experts and A players topped the ratings. James Marshall won \$50 for his score of 3.5, after drawing his final game with Tam Nguyen. Among Marshall's victims were Miron Zinytch and Bill Brock, each of whom scored 3-1 and took home \$25.

On July 30th, Osman Palos returned, but lost quickly to James Marshall, who took home (or took upstairs, as he lives just above the Club) the \$100 prize for his 4-0 effort. Palos finished at 3-1, as did Zinytch, whom Marshall defeated again.

For three consecutive weekends in September and October, the Club will be holding Tour events. Another Game/60 Plus-Score is set for Saturday, September 16th, while a slower event (40/120) will take up two days on September 23-24. Then on Sunday, October 1st, we will speed things up with an eight-round (four double rounds) Micro-Tour.

Those who like Game/90 should consider our High Noon Quads, or our eight-player "Hog" sectionals, named after Harold Winston's famous Groundhog tournaments of a couple of decades ago. If you like Quick chess, come to the Club for evening quads after the Tuley Park daytime events on September 9th and October 7th. Check this issue's Calendar page, or the ICA website at www.illinoischess.org, for details.

Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score June 10, 2000

							score	tour
1	PARAGUA Mark	2425	W4	W6	W2	W3	4	14M
2	PALOS Osman	2437	W12	W11	L1	W7	3	4M
3	GREGORY Jamie	1980	W5	W7	W12	L1	3	4MXA
4	BRASWELL Isaac M	1682	L1	W15	W11	D5	2.5	2.5MXAB
5	BLACKMAN William	1392	L3	W9	W6	D4	2.5	2.5MXABCD
6	LAZEBNIK Yakov	1856	W14	L1	L5	W13	2	2MXA
7	MARKOVIC Arandel	1842	W9	L3	W14	L2	2	2MXA
8	SCHWAIGER Anthony	1700	W15	L14	L9	W10	2	2MXAB
9	O'BRIEN Matthew	1075	L7	L5	W8	W15	2	2MXABCDE
10	SMITH Orlan B	1445	H	H	H	L8	1.5	1.5MXABC
11	REED Boyd	1857	W13	L2	L4	-	1	1MXA
12	BAUMANN Herbert A	1686	L2	W13	L3	-	1	1MXAB
13	MAZLOOMIAN Hoda	1168	L11	L12	W15	L6	1	1MXABCDE
14	CARROLL Sean	1081	L6	W8	L7	-	1	1MXABCDE
15	SMITH William M	818	L8	L4	L13	L9	0	

Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score July 9, 2000

							score	tour
1	MARSHALL James A	2163	W8	W3	W2	D4	3.5	7.5X
2	ZINYTCH Miron	2001	W11	W4	L1	W6	3	4X
3	BROCK William	1988	W7	L1	W9	W8	3	4XA
4	NGUYEN Tam D	2151	W10	L2	W6	D1	2.5	2.5X
5	HOSCH Yahshua	1800	H	H	W7	H	2.5	
6	NORDAHL David	1868	W9	W8	L4	L2	2	2XA
7	BURNETT Jim	1457	L3	W11	L5	W9	2	2XABC
8	SMYTHE Bill	1800	L1	L6	W10	L3	1	1XA
9	LOPEZ Phillip	1370	L6	W10	L3	L7	1	1XABCD
10	SCHWAIGER Anthony	1700	L4	L9	L8	-	0	
11	ROGERS Nathaniel	1543	L2	L7	-	-	0	

Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score July 30, 2000

							score	tour
1	MARSHALL James A	2163	W9	W8	W2	W4	4	14MX
2	PALOS Osman	2437	W6	W3	L1	W11	3	4M
3	ZINYTCH Miron	2001	W10	L2	W8	W6	3	4MX
4	COHEN Lawrence S	1937	W13	D7	W11	L1	2.5	2.5MXA
5	BROCK William	1988	L11	W14	L6	W12	2	2MXA
6	CAVITT Dexter	1870	L2	W10	W5	L3	2	2MXA
7	PAGAN James B	2096	W12	D4	-	-	1.5	1.5MX
8	MODES Dan	1884	W14	L1	L3	H	1.5	1.5MXA
9	MARKOVIC Arandel	1800	L1	D11	D13	D10	1.5	1.5MXA
10	LOBRACO Mike	1462	L3	L6	W14	D9	1.5	1.5MXABC
11	SUMMERHAYS David	1434	W5	D9	L4	L2	1.5	1.5MXABC
12	SMYTHE Bill	1800	L7	D13	H	L5	1	1MXA
13	DUEKER John	1374	L4	D12	D9	L14	1	1MXABCD
14	DRENDEL Tyler	1209	L8	L5	L10	W13	1	1MXABCD

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January 8-9, 2000	MAXI	Tim Just Winter Open, Grayslake
January 15, 2000	mini	Peoria Tornado
January 16, 2000	mini	Elmhurst Game/60
January 22-23, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Winter Mini-Tour
February 12, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
February 12, 2000	micro	Wild Onion Quick, Chicago
March 4-5, 2000	MAXI	Greater Peoria Open
March 11, 2000	mini	Wild Onion Big Money, Chicago
March 18-19, 2000	MAXI	Elmhurst Class Maxi-Tour
March 25-26, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Leisure
April 9, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
April 15, 2000	mini	Officers' Appreciation #1, Peoria
April 16, 2000	micro	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick
April 29, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
May 6-7, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Leisure
May 13, 2000	mini	Concordia College Mini-Tour, Oak Park
May 26-29, 2000	MAXI	Chicago Open, Oak Brook
June 3, 2000	mini	Bureau County Mini-Tour, Ladd
June 10, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
June 16-18, 2000	MAXI	Master Challenge, Elmhurst
June 24, 2000	mini	Peoria Tornado
June 25, 2000	mini	Officers' Appreciation #2, Chicago
July 9, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
July 22-23, 2000	MAXI	Central States Class, Chicago
July 30, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score

Not included (crosstable not yet received from organizer):

July 8, 2000 mini Wild Onion Big Money, Chicago

Not included (tournament held after press deadline):

August 12, 2000 mini Bradley Summer Open, Peoria
August 13, 2000 micro Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick

Scheduled or probable future 2000 Tour events:

September 2-4, 2000	MAXI	Illinois Open, Arlington Heights
September 16, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
September 23-24, 2000	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Leisure
October 1, 2000	micro	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick
October 8, 2000	mini	Elmhurst Game/60
October 14, 2000	mini	Officers' Appreciation #3, Chicago
October 27-29, 2000	MAXI	Midwest Class, Lisle
October 28, 2000	mini	Peoria Tornado
November 4, 2000	mini	Normal November Mini-Tour
November 18-19, 2000	MAXI	Illinois Class, Chicago
December 10, 2000	mini	Officers' Appreciation #4
December 30-31, 2000	MAXI	Y2001K Open, Chicago

Other Tour events will be added as the year progresses. Check Chess Life, the Illinois Chess Bulletin, ChessPhone (630-832-5222) or the web (www.illinoischess.org) for details.

For players with fewer than three 2000 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 2000 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.

Points for top 30 in each category

Master Tour Points:

PALOS Osman	84.5
CHOW Albert C	62
COHEN Lawrence S	56
PEDZICII Dominik	54.5
PARAGUA Mark C	41
ILIC Stanimir M	37
YOUNG Angelo	35.5
MAKSIMOVIC Dejan	32.5
MARSHALL James A	31
NGUYEN Tam Ducmin	27.5
SCOTT Gene G	25
SZPIJSJAK Steven J	25
ZENYTOCH Miron	24.2
GREGORY Jamie	24
GORLIN Yelena	23
GORLIN Gennadiy	20
STAMNOV Aleksand (1)	19
ARAMIL William J	18.5
LEALI Michael E	17
BROCK William	16.5
COVIC Mehmed	16
ENGELN Mark	16
SEIBEL Dennis	16
HUANG Kenneth	15
GORLIN Andrey	14.5
BLACKMAN William	13.5
MODES Daniel R	13.5
GAST Bryan	13
HUBBARD Andrew	13
AROND Dean	12.5

Expert Tour Points:

COHEN Lawrence S	70.5
ILIC Stanimir M	60
SCOTT Gene G	41
ZENYTOCH Miron	39.7
MARSHALL James A	38.5
NGUYEN Tam Ducmin	38
GREGORY Jamie	30
GORLIN Gennadiy	29
BROCK William	26.5
ARAMIL William J	24.5
GORLIN Yelena	23
LONG David	23
AARON Michael E	21
LEALI Michael E	21
ASHUEV Yuri (1)	20
AROND Dean	19.5
BENESA Arnulfo	19.5
INUMERABLE Flore (2)	19
SMYTHIE Bill	18.5
COVIC Mehmed	16.5
NAFF William A	16.5
SAX Robert D	16.5
BLACKMAN William	16
ENGELN Mark	16
RIDDELL Joshua S	16
SEIBEL Dennis	16
HUANG Kenneth	15
GORLIN Andrey	14.5
LONCAREVIC Robert	14
MODES Daniel R	13.5

Class A Tour Points:

COHEN Lawrence S	74.5
GORLIN Andrey	46.5
MODES Daniel R	36.5
GREGORY Jamie	33
ARAMIL William J	31.5
LONCAREVIC Robert	31
GORLIN Gennadiy	29
LORING Steven W (1)	28
CHUA Johnson	27
BROCK William	26.5
COVIC Mehmed	26.5

HUBBARD Andrew	25	BURNETT Jim	12	PENLEY Daniel J (1)	20	OHLHAUSEN David B	12
ZAZOVSKIY Vlonik	24.8			PEKOVIC Jusuf (2)	19	DAVIS Jacob H (2)	9
HUANG Kenneth	24	Class C Tour Points:		DUPUIS Brian M	18.5	MORAN Wesley	9
LONG David	23	HURNETT Jim	52	GORODETSKIY Euge(2)	16	LUNG Jonathan	8.8
AROND Dean	22.5	COLLINS Brett	43.5	LEWIS Richard	16	CARCELLI Jimmy (1)	8
SATTERLEE Ray D	22	SHOCKLEY Robert	39	WRONSKI Edmond (2)	16	NIENART Christopher	7
MARKOVIC Arandel	21.5	CYGAN Joseph	37	WISJNER Michael	15.5	DIAMOND William F	6
LEALI Michael E	21	SEIBEL Dennis	35	DUNCAN Thomas	15	ILIC Lazar S	6
IKRUCHI Curtis K (1)	20	SHELLHAMER Ted C	32.5	MARASCO Jon (1)	15	METZ Veronica (1)	6
SMYTHE Bill	18.5	GHERTZ Charles E	31	BRONNER Ben (2)	14	NASH James (1)	6
RODRIGUEZ Jose A	18	ENGELN Mark	30	DELA MORA Salvador	14	WALKER Cleophus (1)	6
BLACKMAN William	16	HOSCH Yahshua	29.5	HENDRICKSON Will (1)	14	CHAVIANO Alex (1)	5
DUNCAN Jason	16	HOLTON John L. (1)	28	MEISTER Mark (2)	14	PHELPS Douglas (2)	5
ENGELN Mark	16	PADILLA Rudy R	26	SCHMIDT Scott	14	COHEN Jordan S (1)	4
FRISKE Thomas G (2)	16	RODRIGUEZ Jose A	26	MOSTES Greg	13.5	FISHMAN Joey (2)	4
SEIBEL Dennis	16	SUPRUN Denis	22.3			GUO Shao-Yun (1)	4
ALLISON Roger D	15	KITTSLEY Scott L	22	Class E Tour Points:		HAMMOTHE Brandon(2)	4
BONDAR Leonid	15	SMITH Orlan B	21.8	KLINK Steven L	38	LAWRENCE Danyul (1)	4
MONATELLI David (2)	15	LOBRACO Michael J	21.5	MORAN Wesley	27	VONSTEIN Benjami (2)	4
		GASIECKI Alan F (2)	20	ILIC Lazar S	22	DUPEE Arthur B (2)	3
Class B Tour Points:		MC CLURE Seth (1)	19	GASUNAS Anthony C	21	FRANKEL Eitan (2)	3
ENGELN Mark	33	DUPUIS Erik G	18.5	JENKINS Drake B (1)	20	KASIURAK Zach (1)	3
LONCAREVIC Robert	31	BLACKMAN William	18	NIENART Christopher	19	MARRON Thomas (1)	3
HUBBARD Andrew	30	LUNG Richard	16.2	PEKOVIC Jusuf (2)	19	TROYER Carl R (1)	3
HOSCH Yahshua	29.5	NYBERG Darwin V	14.5	DUPUIS Brian M	18.5	ACHELPOBEL Jon M (2)	2
LEUNG Daniel Y	26.5	BRONNER Ben (2)	14	LEWIS Richard	16	CHEN Byron (1)	2
PULLIN Matthew (2)	26	EDEUS Dan W (1)	14	DUNCAN Thomas	15	CRUM Jeremy J (1)	2
RODRIGUEZ Jose A	26	ROSE Alan J (2)	14	MEISTER Mark (2)	14	CURRY Eileen (1)	2
ARAMIL William J	24.5	SCHMIDT Scott	14	CARROLL Sean	13		
SHOCKLEY Robert	24	MOSES Greg	13.5	DIAMOND William F	12	Class G Tour Points:	
AROND Dean	22.5	WEBB James W	13.5	OHLHAUSEN David B	12	OHLHAUSEN David B	12
ALLISON Roger D	20	HUANG Winston	13	CUNNINGHAM Robert F	11.5	WALKER Cleophus (1)	6
PARSONS Bob	20	ILIC Lazar S	13	DICKEY Douglas (2)	11	LAWRENCE Danyul (1)	4
DUNCAN Jason	19			DAVIS Jacob H (2)	9	VONSTEIN Benjami (2)	4
GIANNOKOPOULOS D	19	Class D Tour Points:		FAKTOROVICH Yuri (1)	9	KASIURAK Zach (1)	3
MC CLURE Seth (1)	19	KLINK Steven L	38	MENDENHALL Josep(2)	9	CRUM Jeremy J (1)	2
SHELLHAMER Ted C	18.5	NIENART Christopher	31	SHANLEY William (2)	9	HAMMOTHE Brandon(2)	2
CYGAN Joseph	17	MORAN Philip D	30	WHITE James M (1)	9	HITE Darrell D (2)	2
BAUMANN Herbert A	16	CHAMBERS Adam D (2)	27.5	LUNG Jonathan	8.8	LUNG Jonathan	2
BLACKMAN William	16	MORAN Wesley	27	SPIROS George (2)	8.5	FRANKEL Eitan (2)	1
MUSSELMAN Charles	16	DUPUIS Erik G	26.5	BOYD Joseph C (1)	8	MC DANIEL Anthon (1)	1
SEIBEL Dennis	16	HIERONYMUS April	24	CARCELLI Jimmy (1)	8	MILAN Josh W (1)	1
MOSES Greg	13.5	LOPEZ Philip	22.5	CHAPLIN Wes R (1)	8	STAR Jonathan (1)	1
LUTZKE Ricky W (2)	13	ILIC Lazar S	22	DI ORIO Jeff (1)	8	DWYER Bill (1)	0.5
PADILLA Rudy R	13	DRENDEL Tyler (2)	21	HART Aaron (1)	8	SHANKAR Krishna (1)	0.5
RAMOS Fabian	13	GASUNAS Anthony C	21	HIERONYMUS April	8		
RASO Paul	13	NYBERG Darwin V	21	SCHMIDT Scott	8	Class H Tour Points:	
SCHWAJGER Anthony J	13	SEIBEL Dennis	21			SHANKAR Krishna (1)	0.5
DUPUIS Brian M	12.5	COHEN Daniel J (1)	20	Class F Tour Points:			
LUNG Richard	12.2	JENKINS Drake B (1)	20	MEISTER Mark (2)	14		

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ICA Tour events are generally listed as such in Chess Life and in the Calendar below. Players are responsible for checking both Chess Life and the Illinois Chess Bulletin to determine which events are Tour events. Call ChessPhone (630-832-5222) a few days before any tournament to verify its Tour status.

Organizers: Please clear your events through the ICA Tournament Calendar. Calendar coordinator is Bill Smythe, 1159 W Lunt #259, Chicago 60626-3519, 773-761-2455, chichess@enteract.com. Do not send calendar entries to the ICB editor. If you are running a Tour event, make sure it is listed as such in both Chess Life and the ICB.

Deadlines for ICB calendar submissions are as follows:

Tournament starting-Deadline-Appearing
 Jan 15 - Mar 14—Nov 5—Jan-Feb issue
 Mar 15 - May 14—Jan 5—Mar-Apr issue
 May 15 - Jul 14—Mar 5—May-Jun issue
 Jul 15 - Sep 14—May 5—Jul-Aug issue
 Sep 15 - Nov 14—Jul 5—Sep-Oct issue
 Nov 15 - Jan 14—Sep 5—Nov-Dec issue

September 2-4, 2000, Illinois Open. 6-SS, 40/120, then SD/60. Sheraton Arlington Park Resort Hotel (formerly Hilton), 3400 W Euclid Av, Arlington Heights 60005, 847-394-2000 or 800-344-3434. \$\$G 7500. Two sections: **OPEN:** EF \$70 by 8/18, \$85 at site. \$ 1500-750-400-200-100, 2200-2399 \$300, Expert \$300-200, u2000 \$300-200. Chronos clock to highest-scoring junior, donated by APCT. **RESERVE** (under-1800 or unrated): EF \$60 by 8/18, \$75 at site. \$\$1000-500-200-100, class C \$300-200-100, class D \$250-100-50, classes E/below \$150-100-50, unrated \$100-50. Clock to highest-scoring junior, donated by Helen Warren Junior Program. **BOTH:** \$30 off for

under age 18, unrated, or second family member (must be sent in one envelope). No multiple discounts. Add 50 cents for first-round half-point bye. Unrated may win only top prizes in Open or unrated prizes in Reserve. Reg 8:30-9:30, rds 10:30-5, 9-3:30, 9-3:30. Hotel rates \$82-82-82-82, reserve by 8/18. Checks payable Illinois Chess Association, Box 100, Palos Heights 60463. Fred@64.com. **An ICA Tour MAXI-event.**

September 9, 2000, Tuley Park Quick #11. 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$12, u19 \$6, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$250 b/24, kids count half. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Thomas Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979.

September 9, 2000, Chicago CC Saturday Evening Quick Quads. 3-RR in 4-player sections of like-rated players, game/29. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$8, juniors and club members \$6, plus \$5 forfeit deposit returned upon completion of all games. First prize in each quad: Free EF to any 1-day Chicago CC tournament 9/10/00 thru 10/31/00. Reg ends 6:30, rd 1 at 7.

September 10, 2000, Waterhog Sectional. 3-SS in 8-player sections of like-rated players, game/90. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$20, juniors and club members \$17. \$\$ by score: top section 3-0 \$80, 2.5-0.5 \$40, 2-1 \$15, other sections 3-0 \$70, 2.5-0.5 \$30, 2-1 \$10. Size of lowest section may vary. Reg ends 11:30, rds 12-3-6.

September 10, 2000, Elmhurst Simul with Gurevich/Maksimovic. Not USCF-rated. North Hall Room 21, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. Dmitry Gurevich and Dejan "Max" Maksimovic will alternate moves in each game. Also: Gurevich/Maksimovic exhibition blitz match. Possible blitz simul to follow. Free to ECC members, others may join ECC on site for \$10. Reg 6-6:45, event begins at 7. Call to confirm

as event may be postponed if Gurevich is out of town. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu.

September 16, 2000, Chicago CC Plus-Score Mini-Tour. 4-SS, game/60. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$20, juniors and club members \$17. \$\$ by score: 4-0 \$100, 3.5-0.5 \$50, 3-1 \$25, 2.5-1.5 \$10. Reg ends 11:30, rd 1 at 12. **An ICA Tour mini-event.**

September 17, 2000, High Noon Quads. 3-RR in 4-player sections, game/90. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$10, juniors and club members \$8, plus \$5 forfeit deposit returned upon completion of all games. First prize in each quad: Free EF to any two 1-day (or one 2-day) Chicago CC tournaments 9/18/00 thru 10/31/00. Reg ends 11:30, rd 1 at 12.

September 17,24, October 1, 2000, Elmhurst Fall Swiss. 3-SS, 40/100, then SD/30. North Hall Room 21, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. EF \$16, ECC members \$12. \$\$ (90% of EFs) to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400. Reg Sep 17, 6-6:45, rds at 7:00 each Sunday. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu.

September 23-24, 2000, Plus-Score Leisure Mini-Tour. 4-SS, 40/120, then SD/60. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$30, juniors and advance registrants (by 9/18) \$25. \$\$ by score: 4-0 \$150, 3.5-0.5 \$75, 3-1 \$37, 2.5-1.5 \$15. Reg ends Sat 9:30, rds 10-4 each day **An ICA Tour mini-event.**

September 30, 2000, High on the Hog Sectional. 3-SS in 8-player sections of like-rated players, game/90. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$20, juniors and club members \$17. \$\$ by score: top section 3-0 \$80, 2.5-0.5 \$40, 2-1 \$15, other sections 3-0 \$70, 2.5-0.5 \$30, 2-1 \$10. Size of lowest section may vary. Reg ends 11:30, rds 12-3-6.

September 30, 2000, Early Fall Tornado. DeKalb. Bill Reed, 815-758-1027.

October 1, 2000, Sunday Plus-Score Micro-Tour. 4-round double Swiss (2 games vs each opponent, 8 games total), game/29. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$20, juniors and club members \$17. \$\$ by score: 8-0 \$100, 7.5-0.5 \$70, 7-1 \$50, 6.5-1.5 \$35, 6-2 \$25, 5.5-2.5 \$17, 5-3 \$10, 4.5-3.5 \$4. Reg ends 11:30, rd 1 at 12. **An ICA Tour micro-event.**

October 7, 2000, Tuley Park Quick #12. 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$12, u19 \$6, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$250 b/24, kids count half. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Thomas Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979.

October 7, 2000, Chicago CC Saturday Evening Quick Quads. 3-RR in 4-player sections of like-rated players, game/29. Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, Chicago 60626. 773-761-5050. EF \$8, juniors and club members \$6, plus \$5 forfeit deposit returned upon completion of all games. First prize in each quad: Free EF to any 1-day Chicago CC tournament 10/8/00 thru 11/30/00. Reg ends 6:30, rd 1 at 7.

October 8, 2000, Elmhurst Game/60 Mini-Tour. 4-SS. Frick Center, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. EF \$29, ECC members \$25. \$\$1000 b/48: \$225-150, Expert \$120, A \$110, B \$110, C \$110, u1400 \$110-65. Reg 12-12:45, rds 1-3:15-6-8. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu. **An ICA Tour mini-event.**

October 14, 2000, ICA Officers' Appreciation Mini-Tour #3. 4-SS, game/80. Morgan Park Methodist Church, 11030 S Longwood Dr, Chicago 60643. 773-238-2600. EF \$15, jrs \$10. \$\$G 450: \$100-50-25; A,B,C each \$50; D/below 25; unr \$25; top juniors \$50-25. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12:15-3-5:45. Checks to ICA, PO Box 100, Palos Heights 60463. Fred Gruenberg, 708-774-5005. Fred@64.com. **An ICA Tour mini-event.**

October 15, 2000, ICA Board Meeting and Annual Membership Meeting. See announcement on page 8 and 10. All ICA members are welcome.

October 15, 2000, Elmhurst Game/15. 5-SS. North Hall Room 21, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. EF \$15, ECC members \$10. \$\$ (85% of EFs) to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400. Reg 6-6:45, rd 1 at 7. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu.

October 21, 2000, Springfield Autumn Open. 4-SS, game/80. Hampton Inn, Dirksen Pkwy and Stevenson Dr, Springfield. EF \$12 by 10/14, \$15 at site, \$10 youth/scholastic. \$\$300: \$100-60, 1600-1999 \$50, 1200-1599 \$40, u-1200 \$30, unr \$20. Reg 7:30-8:30, rds 9-12-3-6. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth, Springfield 62703. 217-523-7265, tknoel@uis.edu.

October 21, 2000, Early Ghostly Tornado. DeKalb. Bill Reed, 815-758-1027.

October 22, 2000, Tim Just's Lake County Open XXIII. 4-SS, game/60. College of Lake County, 19351 W Washington at Rt 45, Grayslake 60030. EF \$13 by 10/17, \$15 at site/phone. \$\$ by score: 4-0 \$100, 3.5-0.5 \$50, 3-1 \$25, 2.5-1.5 \$12. Reg 9-9:40, rds 10-12:15-2:30-4:45. Tim Just, 37165 Willow, Gurnee 60031. 847-244-7954, timjust@Lnd.com.

October 22, 2000, Elmhurst Game/35 Quad. 3-RR in 4-player sections. North Hall Room 21, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. EF \$16, ECC members \$11. \$\$30-10 in each quad. Reg 6-6:45, rd 1 at 7. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu.

October 27-29 or 28-29, 2000, Midwest Class. 5-SS, 40/120, then SD/60 (2-day option rds 1-2 game/75). Hyatt Lisle, 1400 Corporate Dr (Rt 53 near I-88), Lisle 60532, 800-233-1234 or 630-852-1234, hotel rooms \$79-79-79, reserve by 10/14. EF: 3-day \$78, 2-day \$77 if check mailed by 10/19, both \$80 phoned with credit card by 10/25, all \$90 at site. No checks at site. \$60 less to unrated, \$30 less to juniors under 18 who are rated below 1500, over 2199, or play up. Callers must request special

EF or be charged full fee. \$\$G 12,000. Eight sections (rated players may play up 1 class, unr must play in Unrated section): **MASTER:** \$1000-500-300-200, u2400 \$600-300. **EXPERT:** \$800-500-300-200. **CLASS A:** \$800-500-300-200. **CLASS B:** \$800-500-300-200. **CLASS C:** \$700-400-300-200. **CLASS D:** \$600-300-200-100. **CLASSES E/BELOW:** \$400-250-150-100. **UNRATED:** Trophies to top 7. 3-day reg ends Fri 7 pm, rds 8, 11-5:30, 10-4-15. 2-day reg ends Sat 10 am, rds 11-2-5:30, 10-4-15. Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577. 845-496-9658 (entries or questions) weekdays, or 406-896-2038 (no questions) 24 hrs, or 845-496-7469 (recorded info). No phone entries after 10/25. www.chesstour.com. **An ICA Tour MAXI-event.**

October 28, 2000, Peoria Fall Tornado. 4-SS, game/80. Garrett Center, 824 Duryea Pl, Peoria 61625. EF \$14 by 10/26, \$17 at site. \$\$G 250: \$75-50, A,B,C,D/below each \$25, upset \$25. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-2:45-5:30. Fred Malcome, 810 W Progress, Metamora 61548. 309-367-4833, fmalcome@bwsys.net. **An ICA Tour mini-event.**

October 28, 2000, Knights of the Round Table. Not USCF-rated. Individually paired with top 5 counting as team. Bloom Trail HS. George Bell, 219-924-5974. Also: ICCA Clinic.

November 4, 2000, Normal November Mini-Tour. 4-SS, game/75. Fairfield Inn, 202 Landmark Dr, Normal 61761. EF \$17, jrs \$12, both \$3 less by 11/1. Free entry to 2100+. \$\$G 385: \$150-90, u-1800 \$75, u-1400 \$70, Trophies to 1st,A,B,C,D,E,F, unr. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-3-6. Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal 61761, 309-454-3842, Schoolstreeter@msn.com. **An ICA Tour mini-event.**

November 4, 2000, Collinsville November Swiss. 3-SS, game/90. First Baptist Church, 723 St Louis Rd, Collinsville. EF \$20 by 10/29, \$25 at site. \$\$630 b/48. Two sections: **OPEN:** \$100; X,A,B each \$80. **RESERVE** (under-1600): C,D,E/below each \$80, unr \$50. Reg 9:30-10:15, rds 10:30-2-

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5:30. Paul Holland, 204 Sierra Point, Glen Carbon 62034.

November 4, 2000, Tuley Park Quick #13 (Big #5). 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$15, u19 \$8, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$350 b/24, kids count half. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Thomas Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979.

☐ **November 4, 2000, West Chicago Invitational.** For 8-board teams. West Chicago IIS. Joe Splinter, 630-213-9523.

November 5, 12, 2000, Elmhurst Game/45. 4-SS. North Hall Room 21, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. EF \$17, ECC members \$12. \$\$ (90% of EFs) to 1st, 2nd, u2000, u1800, u1600, u1400. Reg Nov 5, 6-6:45, rds at 7:00 each Sunday. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu.

November 10-12, 2000, King's Island Open. King's Island OH.

☐ **November 10, 2000, Scholastic Blitz Championship.** Not USCF-rated. At site of All-Grade, below. Free EF for those staying at hotel overnight.

☐ **November 11, 2000, Illinois State All-Grade Championships.** Ramada Hotel O'Hare, 6600 N Mannheim Rd, Rosemont 60018. 847-827-5131. Hotel rates \$89, \$8/day parking, free parking if all 3 players on team are ICA members. EF \$15 by 10/25, \$25 later, \$35 on site Fri (11/10) night only, no entries Sat morning. Roster changes are considered new entries. Players must reside in Illinois or attend an Illinois school. Thirteen sections by grade: **GRADES K-3:** 5-SS, game/30, rds 9-10:30-12-1:30, awards 4:30. **GRADES 4-6:** 5-SS, game/40, rds 9-11-12:45-2:30-4:15, awards 6:00. **GRADES 7-12:** 4-SS, game/50, rds 9-11:30-1:45-4, awards 6:30. **ALL:** Trophies to top 10 individuals and top 5 teams in each grade 1-12, top 5 individuals and top 3 teams in Kindergarten. Any number of players from a school may enter, top 3 scores in each grade are the team score. No tie-breaks, duplicate trophies awarded in case of ties. Checks payable Illinois All

Grade, c/o Mike Zacate, 9401 Birch Av, Mokena 60448. 708-479-9380. Include name, USCF ID (or membership fee), expiration date, school, grade, age, coach's name, address, phone, email. All entries will be posted at www.illinoischess.org.

November 11, 2000, Veterans Day Tornado. DeKalb. Bill Reed, 815-758-1027.

November 18-19, 2000, Illinois Class Championships. Sections MX,A,B,C 4-SS, 40/120, then SD/60. Sections D, E/below, UNR 8-SS (double round, 2 games vs each of 4 opponents), game/75. University of Illinois at Chicago, Circle Center, 750 S Halsted. EF: MX \$55; A,B,C \$50; D,E/below \$45, by 11:10, all \$10 more at site. All juniors under 18 subtract \$25. Play up one class (E/below may play up 2 classes) for \$2. Add \$1 for round 1 half-point bye. \$\$G 4500. Seven sections: **MASTER-EXPERT:** \$550-300-200, u2300 \$250, u2100 \$250. **CLASS A:** \$450-200-100. **CLASS B:** \$400-200-100. **CLASS C:** \$400-200-100. **CLASS D:** \$250-150-50. **CLASSES E/BELOW:** \$200-100-50. **UNRATED:** Trophies to top 2. **ALL:** Unrated may play in any section but may not win more than \$100 except in MX. Reg 8:15-9:15, rds 10-4, 10-4. Checks payable ICA, Box 100, Palos Heights 60463. Fred@64.com or 708-774-5005 days. **An ICA Tour MAXI-event.**

November 19, 2000, Elmhurst Time Handicap Blitz. Not USCF-rated. Round robin. When playing someone in your class, both players get 5 minutes. When playing someone outside your class, masters get 2 minutes, experts 2.5 minutes, A players 3 minutes, B 4 minutes, C 5 minutes, D/below 6 minutes. North Hall Room 21, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. EF \$5. Prizes to top 4. Reg 6-6:45, rd 1 at 7:00. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerb@elmhurst.edu.

December 2, 2000, Tuley Park Quick #14. Chicago.

☐ **December 2, 2000, ICCA Frosh-Soph Individual/Team Championships.** Wheaton-Warrenville South HS. Mike Zacate, 708-479-9380.

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Elmhurst Chess Club

Meets and holds frequent USCF events, Sundays 6:00 p.m. (7:00 p.m. in the summer) to 11:00 p.m. Room 021, North Hall, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. Roger Birkeland (630) 832-1754. rogerb@elmhurst.edu

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Meets Tuesday nights 7-10 p.m. at Lincoln Leisure Center, 1206 S Lee St, Bloomington 61701. Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal 61761 (309) 454-3842. Schoolstreeter@msn.com

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