

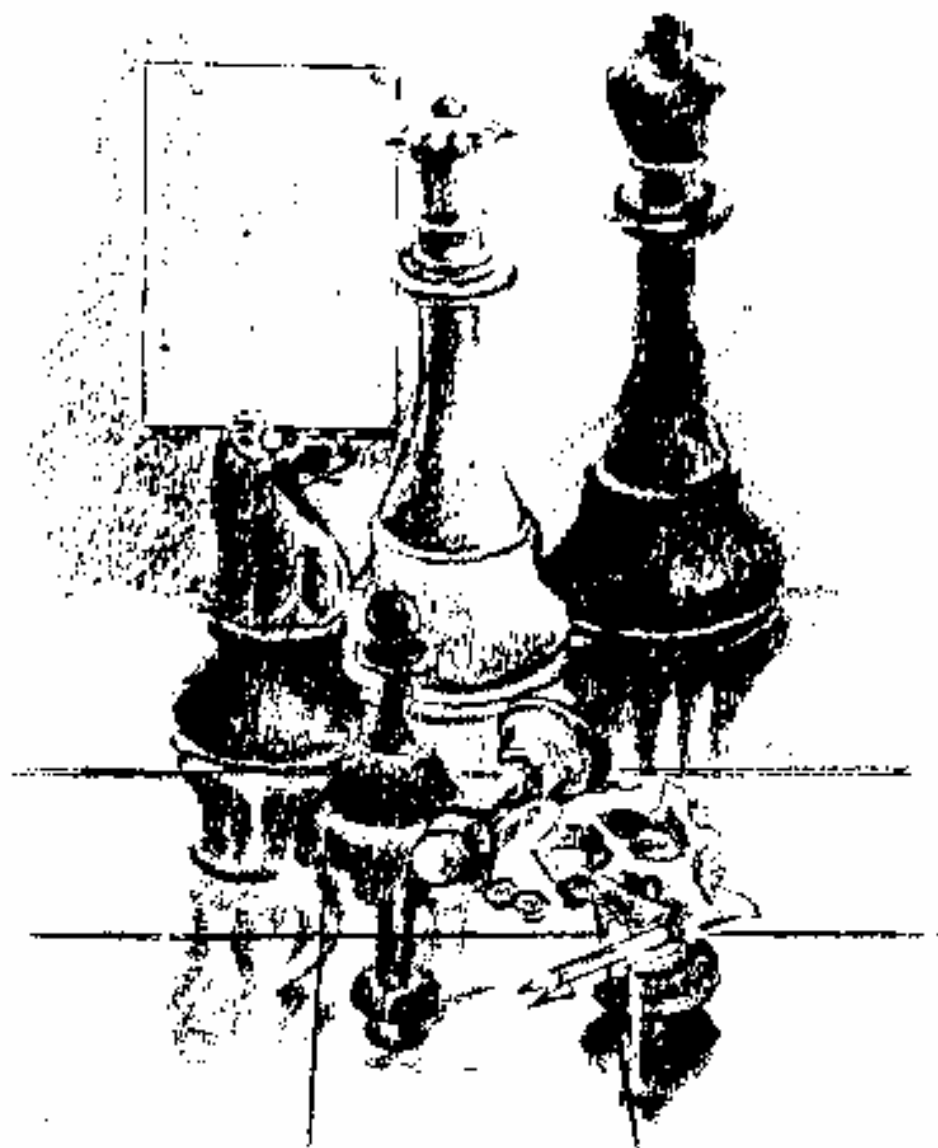
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President's Podium

From Outgoing President – Fred Gruenburg

First of all please accept my apology for the November/ December ICB being so tardy - and just after I bragged about the quality and promptness of our state magazine. I believe all our problems are behind us now and Kevin Bachler, your new president, will keep this train running on time.

As my final duty as your president I was happy to turn over to Helen Warren the check for twenty five thousand dollars from Eugene Martinovsky for the Masters tournament that Helen will organize in his honor. A fine tribute to an absolute fine person.

I received quite a few letters and e-mails and phone calls from thanking me for my two years of service. I even received a phone call from Leah Koltanowski in San Francisco thanking us for the many courtesies we showed George [Koltanowski] here and at the National Open in Las Vegas. What a great twenty

years I've had. I have made many good friends over this period. Thank you. But, seriously, I feel that two years in office is just not enough time to get everything accomplished. We usually spend the first of our two year term arranging tournaments and getting our financials in place. Therefore I am going to make some proposals at the next ICA meeting, February 4th, that will give new officers a better chance to implement their programs. Maybe even a three year term. We'll see.

Speaking of financials, we left office with almost twenty thousand dollars in the kitty. Not bad considering what the stock market has done to many portfolios. Thanks again Bill Brock.

Look for me playing over the board again - and thanks again for all of your support.

Elmhurst Class Game 120 Maxi – Tour

MARCH 17-18

Prize Fund \$1800 b/66 M/X \$250-150, U2200-\$100, A-\$160-100-60, B-\$160-100-60, C-\$160-100-60, D/Below: \$160-100, U1200-\$80

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Free snacks and soft drinks throughout the tournament.

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Chessically Speaking...

The Illinois Chess Bulletin has been in a very volatile state lately. New editor every year or so. Delay and tardiness it's constant plague. New look and new learning curves. New columnists coming and old ones leaving. The fact that I am editing again is in no way any indications that this is about to change. I am Interim editor only, as Kevin Bachler and the new ICA officers begin their mighty struggle to solve these problems with our magazine. They will begin a study to determine how best to answer all the problems and then implement them. I, for one, wish them the best of luck... They are going to need it.

This issue will be late. No way to stop that. As will be next 2 issues be late as well. But after that, we should be well on our way to a timely and current magazine. At least that is our hope and plan. I may be the editor for the next 2 issue, or I may not, that is still to be determined, as I am involving myself in a brand new and exciting venture regarding chess – One that I will let you know more about in the near future.

This issue will be wrapping up all the outstanding news items from the last issue and current times. It will be 48 pages long, in accordance to new ICA policies. I hope you find interesting items to read and enjoy, late and old news as they may be.

This issue's cover is by Roberta Lerman from Florida. You may remember Roberta's previous cover for us – the Nov/Dec 1999 issue. The flying Santa with knights instead of reindeer. She agreed to let me use this work – entitled "Reflections". I thought it very appropriate – taking all things into consideration.

Reflections. Let's take a moment and do just that – Reflect. Let's reflect upon a time when the ICB was not late, but also was not the quality product that has won many, many awards in the last few years. Let's pause and think about a time when the ICB was basically a scant newsletter that we received and immediately tore out the calendar pages for tournaments we wanted to play in and threw the rest of it away. We don't do that any longer. We now read our ICB's, we go through them to get the news and the games.

Also, let's reflect upon our own lives, let's think about the times that when we needed the understanding and patience of others to help us get through some very difficult times, we-somehow- managed to get it. Let's see if we can't give the ICA and the ICB the patience, help, and support they need to get through these difficult times as well. They need it. I need it. Thank you.

Joshua Flores

POINTS PLUS AT Y2.001K

Larry Cohen

20 people turned out for a last grasp for tour points, and also \$2001 in cash prizes. Being the single shark (only master) in the school of fish it's not surprising that Aleksandar Stannov walked away with first place. His last round draw with 'A' player Bradley Watts not only assured Stannov first, but it also gave him enough tour points to finish up second overall in the ICA tour standings. Tying for second at 4 points were Watts who entered late with a half point bye for round 1, and expert Andrew Rea who was on his way back to Colorado from Pittsburgh. With 3.5 points Miron Zynth & Ersan Jasarevic respectively received 'X' & 'A' class prize money. As the lone B player Joshua Flores received this prize. In another month or two Josh is going to dump Tonto and join the wild 'A' player bunch. Gregory Witek and Mark Engelen tied for the class C prize. Witek had some impressive games, beating Zynth and losing tough games to Rea & Jasarevic. With 3 points (6 tour points) Engelen will edge past Jason Duncan for second B for the 2000 tour. At 3 points Shawn Rhoney as the only Unrated player received the trophy, plus plenty of rating points. His last round victory over Rudy Padilla was an impressive display of endgame tenacity. You wouldn't expect an unrated player to be able to win a rook & pawn endgame. But up a pawn, with all 5 pawns on the kingside, that is exactly what this young gentleman did. You may want to watch out if you play this guy. As the only E player Paul Carey received the \$150 E prize. How many people do you know who can claim to have received back twice their entry fee and a free lunch while scoring 0 points? Finally there was the hard fight for the D prize. Both Abdulah Prijic & Isaiah Pettie had 1.5 points going into the final round, closely pursued by Dennis Seibel at 1 point. While Prijic lost and Seibel won, Pettie was stubbornly pursuing a victory of his own. Pettie had earlier turned down a draw offer that would have assured him of a tie. This strategy paid off as he outplayed John Wilhelm in the endgame. This not only gave Pettie the D prize, but it also gave him the upset prize for Sunday. Dennis Seibel had some consolation as his first round upset of Robert Loncarevic gave him the upset victory prize for Saturday. Also, his 2 points meant that Seibel sneaked into second C for the 2000 tour. After his false start against Seibel Loncarevic reentered and eventually ended up with 3 points. This reentry strategy didn't earn him any prize money, but it earned him enough tour points to slip past Andrew Gorlin for third on the A list of the tour. Normally this would be meaningless, but the top A player will be receiving the top expert prize. Thus, Loncarevic will be receiving the second A prize for the 2000 ICA tour. Everyone was appreciative of the free lunch Sunday. Although the Italian meatballs weren't very spicy, the mini-eggrolls and bruschetta seemed to vanish. Maybe next tournament I will offer free fish food for the worst game. Currently there are no plans to run this or any other tournament in 2001. However, I have stumbled onto a few new potential sites, so maybe yes and maybe no for 2001. In any case remember to play in those open tournaments like the Peoria Open and Illinois Open. After all if you can't have (or play) good chess, you can at least have good fun.

ICA 2001 Delegates as designated by the voters

(7 delegates, 24 alternates)

DELEGATES	Howard Cohen	Roy Frye	Joe Bannon
Tim Just	Richard Verber	Bill Naff	Tom Larson
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	Marvin Dandridge	Garrett Scott	Mike Leali
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Kevin Bachler	Michael Zacate	Jim Brotsos	
Alan Losoff	Leslie Bale	Osman Palos	
James Oberweis	Vince Berry	Dmitiy Gurevich	

2000 Illinois Class Championships

Bill Brock

When Fred Gruenberg organized the Illinois Class Championships in 1999, he introduced an interesting new format. On Saturday, everyone played four games (two games against each of two opponents) with a "speedy" time control of 75 minutes per game. On Sunday, there were two more games, using the traditional time control of 40 moves in two hours followed by one hour for the rest of the game. This format was fun and the tournament ran very smoothly, but the system exaggerated some of the inherent randomness of the Swiss System. For example, some masters had to play GM Dmitry Gurevich twice, others played him once, and most not at all.

Fred came up with a new, and I think even better, format for the 2000 version of this event, held November 18-19 at the Circle Center of the University of Illinois at Chicago. The Master-Expert, Class A, Class B, and Class C sections reverted to the traditional four-round Swiss with the "serious" time control. Classes D, E/F, and Unrated were all eight-round double Swisses using the "speedy" game/75 time control.

Thanks to Fred and the folks at UTC, this was our second year at the site. Players had free parking and could choose between eating in Greektown or Taylor Street's Little Italy. Accordingly, Gruenberg was very optimistic about attendance. But we had (ahem) a little marketing problem: the November-December *ICB* was way behind schedule, and the tournament announcement was inadvertently omitted from the October *Chess Life*! While the announcement did eventually appear in the November

Illinois Class			November 18-19, 2000	
MASTER-EXPERT			score	tour
1	TATE Emory A	AL 2480	W 9 W12 D 4 D 2	3 8 M
2	YOUNG Angelo	IL 2432	W13 W17 H D 1	3 8 M
3	STAMNOV Aleksanda	IL 2299	L 7 W19 W 6 W11	3 8 M
4	CHOW Albert C	IL 2251	W10 W18 D 1 D 5	3 8 H
5	GORLIN Yelena	IL 2127	H K W 9 D 4	2.5 5 MX
6	NGUYEN Tam Ducmin	IL 2120	H W 7 L 3 W13	2.5 5 MX
7	BROCK William	IL 1967	W 3 L 6 D 8 W12	2.5 5 MXA
8	GORLIN Andrey	IL 2007	D19 D11 D 7 D10	2 4 MX
9	KARKLINS Erik	IL 2000	L 1 W15 L 5 W18	2 4 MX
10	ARAMIL William J	IL 1927	L 4 D20 W19 D 8	2 4 MXA
11	BOGAN Timothy J	IL 1912	H D 8 W18 L 3	2 4 MXA
12	AARON Michael E	IL 2091	W15 L 1 D13 L 7	1.5 3 MX
13	COHEN Lawrence S	IL 1995	L 2 W14 D12 L 6	1.5 3 MXA
14	GORLIN Gennadiy	IL 1891	L17 L13 W20 D19	1.5 3 MXA
15	LONCAREVIC Robert	IL 1848	L12 L 9 B D20	1.5 3 MXA
16	SZPISJAK Steven J	IL 2253	- - W21 -	1
17	FAGAN James B	IL 2122	W14 L 2 - -	1 2 MX
18	SAX Robert D	IL 2000	W20 L 4 L11 L 9	1 2 MX
19	AROND Dear	IL 1817	D 8 L 3 L10 D14	1 2 MXA
20	SMYTHE Bill	IL 1800	L18 D10 L14 D15	1 2 MXA
21	LONCAREVIC Robert	IL 1848	- - L16 -	0

Illinois Class			November 18-19, 2000	
CLASS A			score	tour
1	MODES Daniel R	IL 1835	W14 W 3 D 2 W 7	3.5 15 A
2	DONCAN Jason	IL 1688	W12 W 4 D 1 W 5	3.5 15 AB
3	HAMMOND Alien	IL 1955	W 6 L 1 W12 W10	3 8 A
4	HERNANDEZ Hector	IL 1900	W16 L 2 W13 D 6	2.5 5 A
5	QUAN Zhe	1852	W11 W10 D 7 L 2	2.5 5 A
6	LAZEBNIK Yakov	IL 1833	L 3 W11 W 8 D 4	2.5 5 A
7	CHAVEZ Roberto	IL 1832	W 8 W 9 D 5 L 1	2.5 5 A
8	GREGORY Jamie	IL 1946	L 7 W14 L 6 W12	2 4 A
9	OBERWEIS James D	IL 1940	W13 L 7 L10 W14	2 4 A
10	LECHNICK William	IL 1732	W15 L 5 W 9 L 3	2 4 AB
11	RODRIGUEZ Jose A Jr	IL 1625	L 5 L 6 W16 H	1.5 3 AB
12	FORD Samuel M	IL 1877	L 2 W16 L 3 L 8	1 2 A
13	COVIC Mehmed	IL 1831	L 9 W15 L 4 -	1 2 A
14	PEREGOV Patrick	IL 1608	L 1 L 8 B L 9	1 2 AB
15	COHEN Howard	IL 1878	L10 L13 - -	0
16	MAKAUSKAS Anthony	1778	L 4 L12 L11 -	0

Illinois Class			November 18-19, 2000	
CLASS B			score	tour
1	PAINTER Jameson R	IL 1641	W11 D10 W 9 W 4	3.5 15 B
2	ZAZOVSKIY Vilorik	IL 1785	W12 L 3 W10 W 6	3 8 B
3	ELJTCE H Wayne	IL 1618	W 8 W 2 L 4 W10	3 8 B
4	FLORES Joshua	IL 1696	D 7 W 5 W 3 L 1	2.5 5 B
5	STEVENS Joseph M	IL 1605	W13 L 4 L 7 W11	2 4 B
6	RAMOS Fabian	IL 1539	H D 7 L 8 W12	2 4 BC
7	LERNER Gabriel	IL 1524	D 4 D 6 W 5 -	2 4 BC
8	OKUNEVICH Matthew	IL 1446	L 3 W12 W 6 L 2	2 4 BC
9	VENUSO Michael A	IL 1574	X H L 1 -	1.5 3 BC
10	ENGELEN Mark	IL 1539	B D 1 L 2 L 3	1.5 3 BC
11	DUPOIS Erik G	IL 1472	L 1 W13 D12 L 5	1.5 3 BC
12	CYGAN Joseph	IL 1617	L 2 L 8 D11 L 6	0.5 1 B
13	ROUSTAN Pierre D	IL 1737	L 5 L11 - -	0

Chess Life, that issue was so late that many Illinois folks didn't receive their

copy until Thanksgiving week. Fred sent a mailing to local clubs.

and we sent a mailing to all ICA members for whom we had valid email addresses. (If you didn't get this email, you should give your updated email address to Bill Smythe when you renew your membership.) After a little scrambling, we were pleased under the circumstances to have 125 players. Hopefully, the ICA will be able to hold future events at this centrally-located site.

The Master-Expert section was won by FM Emory Tate, IM Angelo Young, Alek Stannov, and FM Al Chow, all with a score of 3-1. The four players split 1st-3rd place and the top under-2300 prize, taking home \$325 each. (If you're not convinced that USCF ratings are deflated, consider that Stannov and Chow, the 2nd and 3rd place finishers on the 2000 Illinois Tour, were both rated under 2300 for this event!)

Illinois Class										November 18-19, 2000	
CLASS C										score	tour
1	BURNETT Jim	IL	1534	W11	W22	W 9	D 2	3.5	15	C	
2	KUEKER Joshua S	IL	1481	W 8	W19	W14	D 1	3.5	15	C	
3	CHAMBERS Adam D	IL	1569	D17	W23	D10	W 7	3	8	C	
4	KLAHN Matthew S	IL	1444	W25	L 9	W15	W13	3	8	C	
5	LEVINE Gary T	IL	1383	L20	W12	W19	W 9	3	8	CD	
6	LEWIS Otis	IL	1277	L10	W16	W22	W15	3	8	CD	
7	PADILLA Rudy R	IL	1500	W18	D15	W17	L 3	2.5	5	C	
8	NIENART Christoph	IL	1318	L 2	D21	W18	W17	2.5	5	CD	
9	WITEK Gregory A	IL	1539	X	W 4	L 1	L 5	2	4	C	
10	MAREK Michael	IN	1457	W 6	D14	D 3	-	2	4	C	
11	RENZE John	IL	1359	L 1	W25	L13	W23	2	4	CD	
12	HIERONYMUS April	IL	1217	L22	L 5	W26	W21	2	4	CD	
13	FERGUSON James R	IL	883	L15	B	W11	L 4	2	4	CDEF	
14	SAHS James W	IL	1577	W16	D10	L 2	-	1.5	3	C	
15	LOBRACO Michael J	IL	1422	W13	D 7	L 4	L 6	1.5	3	C	
16	KEMPNER Chips	IL	1414	L14	L 6	W25	D19	1.5	3	C	
17	WITKEY Douglas	IL	1401	D 3	W24	L 7	L 8	1.5	3	C	
18	BRONNER Ben	IL	1354	L 7	H	L 8	W25	1.5	3	CD	
19	WIDING Robert	IL	1280	W21	L 2	L 5	D16	1.5	3	CD	
20	ENGLEN Mark	IL	1539	W 5	-	-	-	1			
21	WILHELM John H	IL	1480	L19	D 8	D23	L12	1	2	C	
22	SEIBEL Dennis	IL	1442	W12	L 1	L 6	-	1	2	C	
23	GASUNAS Anthony C	IL	1102	D24	L 3	D21	L11	1	2	CDE	
24	BROOKE John	IL	1435	D23	L17	-	-	0.5	1	C	
25	WISHNER Michael	IL	1274	L 4	L11	L16	L18	0			
26	POTESTA David	IL	1033	-	-	L12	-	0			

Stannov got off to a rocky start in Round 1, as he spoiled a promising position against yours truly. Unless otherwise credited, all annotations are by ICB Games Editor Al Chow:

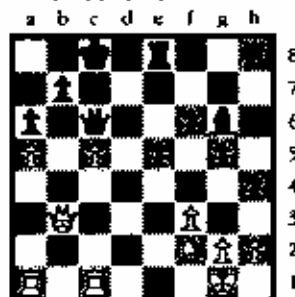
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CLASS D										score	tour			
1	WEBER Greg	IL	1386	W15	W15	L 5	D 5	W10	W10	W 4	W 4	6.5	19	D
2	WRONSKI Edmond	IL	1345	L 5	L 5	B	B	W12	W12	D 6	D 6	5	10	D
3	LOPEZ Philip	IL	1293	D 9	D 9	D12	D12	D 7	D 7	W10	W10	5	10	D
4	PETTY Isaiah		1239	D 6	W 6	W 8	W 8	D 5	W 5	L 1	L 1	5	10	D
5	JACKSON Gregory	IL	1227	W 2	W 2	W 1	D 1	D 4	L 4	D 7	D 7	5	10	D
6	LANG Tristan J	IL	753	D 4	L 4	D 7	D 7	W11	W11	D 2	D 2	4.5	9	DEFG
7	DIAMOND William F	IL	1084	D10	D10	D 6	D 6	D 3	D 3	D 5	D 5	4	8	DE
8	BROWN Tony D	IL	1337	D12	D12	L 4	L 4	D 9	W 9	D11	D11	3.5	7	D
9	DELA MORA Salvador	IL	1205	D 3	D 3	L10	L10	D 8	L 8	W12	W12	3.5	7	D
10	BEAUBAN Brian	IL	1260	D 7	D 7	W 9	W 9	L 1	L 1	L 3	L 3	3	6	D
11	LUNG Jonathan	IL	1046	B	-	B	-	L 6	L 6	D 8	D 8	3	6	DE
12	YEUNG Tom	IL	1215	D 8	D 8	D 3	D 3	L 2	L 2	L 9	L 9	2	4	D
13	SZYMCZAK Michael			-	-	-	-	-	-	W14	D14	1.5		
14	BOHAN Phillip	IL	940	-	-	-	-	-	-	L13	D13	0.5		
15	SEBASTIAN Marcus	IL	970	L 1	L 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	0		

Brock, B - Stannov, A [D18]

Illinois Class (1), 18.11.2000
(Brock + Chow)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.f3 f6 4.fxc3 dxc4 5.a4 f5 6.e3 e6 7.fxc4 f6
The Classical Main Line of the Slav.
8.0-0 fbd7 9.fxe2 f6g6 10.e4! fxc3
Black could decline the gambit with the solid 10. ... O-O 11.bxc3 fxe4
12.f3! fxc7 13.fxf1 0-0-0 As compensation for the gambit pawn White has the bishop pair and open lines to Black's king. 14.fxe7 fde8
15.fh4 f5a5 16.fdb3 f6 17.fhb2 f5
18.fhd2 g5 19.fxe4 fxe4 20.fg3 h5
21.f3 f6g6 22.c4 h4 23.fae1 fxc7

24.a5 c5 25.f2 e5 26.fxc5 fxc5
27.f3 fxb3 [The critical test was 27...f3! 28.fxa7! fxc1 29.fxc1 with unclear counterplay] 28.fxb3 a6 [28...f8 29.c5] 29.c5 f6



30.h3 [30.f3! 30...f8 [30...e4] 31.f3! f5f7 32.f6e+! fxc7 33.fxf6 [33.fxd8 fxd8 34.c6! wins more quickly, as Angelo Young in the postmortem] 33...f3 34.fxc5+ [Again, 34.c6!] fxc8 35.f3d2 fgh8 36.fad1+- fde8 37.fxc3 f5 38.f6d6 f6e6 39.fh2 f4 40.f1d4 fb5 41.fxe6 fxc6 42.f6d6 f7 43.fhd2 fc6 44.f6e3 fxc7 45.fxg5 fxc5 46.f6d8+ fxc8 47.fxh4 fe5+ 48.fg1 fh8 49.f6 f7 50.f6d8+ 1-0

Illinois Class		November 18-19, 2000													
CLASSES E/BELOW		score tour													
1	KASSIN David	IL	1160	W13	W13	D 5	D 5	W 8	W 8	W 6	W 6	7	25	E	
2	KREPPS Collin L	IL	1154	W21	W21	W19	W19	L 6	D 6	W 4	W 4	6.5	19	E	
3	BIALER Gershon	IL	1187	D12	D12	W16	W16	D 5	D 5	D 9	D 9	5	10	E	
4	PENA Andy	IL	1137	D17	D17	W22	W22	W12	W12	L 2	L 2	5	10	E	
5	FOX Brian	IL	1129	W 9	W 9	D 1	D 1	D 3	D 3	D 7	D 7	5	10	E	
6	CHODAK David N	IL	1125	D14	W14	W20	W20	W 2	D 2	L 1	L 1	5	10	E	
7	ROMAN Richard	IL	1120	D11	D11	D17	D17	W15	W15	D 5	D 5	5	10	E	
8	MEISTER Mark	IL	1117	D15	D15	W11	W11	L 1	L 1	W17	W17	5	10	E	
9	PARIZSHKY Ilya	IL	1007	L 5	L 5	W13	W13	W19	W19	D 3	D 3	5	10	E	
10	JURSICH James	IL	1194	D16	D16	L12	L12	X	Y	D14	W14	4.5	9	E	
11	JACKSON Angelo R	IL	904	D 7	D 7	L 8	L 8	W21	W21	W16	D16	4.5	9	EF	
12	RODRIGUEZ Jose A Sr	IL	1040	D 3	D 3	W10	W10	L 4	L 4	B	-	4	8	E	
13	POTESTA David	IL	1033	L 1	L 1	L 9	L 9	B	B	W21	W21	4	8	E	
14	ACHELPOHL Jon M	IL	994	D 6	L 6	D15	D15	W20	W20	D10	L10	4	8	EF	
15	SKAVYSH Vladimir			D 8	D 8	D14	D14	L 7	L 7	W13	W13	4			
16	WEBER Jon	IL	1092	D10	D10	L 3	L 3	W18	W18	L11	D11	3.5	7	E	
17	O'BRIEN Tim	IL	1015	D 4	D 4	D 7	D 7	B	-	L 8	L 8	3	6	E	
18	BOHAN Phillip	IL	940	L19	L19	D21	D21	L16	L16	B	B	3	6	EF	
19	DUPOIS Brian M	IL	1121	W18	W18	L 2	L 2	L 9	L 9	L15	L15	2	4	E	
20	PENA Christian	IL	736	B	B	L 6	L 6	L14	L14	-	-	2	4	EPG	
21	ROMAN Jesus	IL	1027	L 2	L 2	D18	D18	L11	L11	L13	L13	1	2	E	
22	SEBASTIAN Marcus	IL	970	B	-	L 4	L 4	F	F	-	-	1	2	EF	

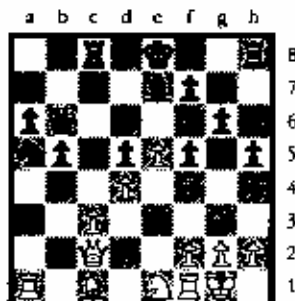
We all know Emory Tate is a tactical genius (and if you don't know, Emory will tell you), but he also can grind folks down in the endgame. Michael Aaron was his victim in this Round 2 encounter:

Tate,E (2480) - Aaron,M (2090) [C00]
 Illinois Class (2), 18.11.2000
[A. Chow]

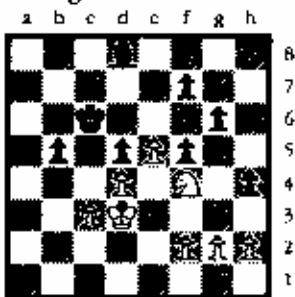
1.e4 e6 2.df3 d5 3.e5 c5 4.b4 cxb4 5.a3 Emory likes the unclear attacking chances he gets with this wing gambit versus the French. 5...d7 6.axb4 dxb4 7.c3 d7 8.d4 d6 9.d3 h5 10.d3 d6 11.h1 d5 12.0-0 e8 13.d5 d6 14.h3 b5 15.h1 b5 [Black should not worry about his diet and eat a healthy pawn with 15...exd3] 16.d1 d5 [Now if 16...exd3 17.d5] 17.d1 d6 [Tate has the counterplay after 17...exd3 18.d2 d3 19.d3 d4 20.d2 d7 21.d5 d6 22.d5 d6 23.d3 d4 18.d5! exf5 19.d2 g6

See Diagram in next column

20.d2 d4? [Last chance for 20...exd3 21.d5 d6 22.d5 d6 23.d3 d4] 21...d6 22.d5 d6 23.d3 d4 24.h1 d6 25.d3 d4 Tate uses



his tactical vision to build upon his slight endgame advantage. 26.d5 d6 27.d6 d7 28.d7 d8 29.d8 d9 30.d9 e1 31.d1 e1 32.d1 e2 33.d2 e2 34.d2 e3 35.d3 e3 36.d4 e3 37.d4 e4 38.d5 e4 39.d6 e4 White has good knight over bad bishop advantage.



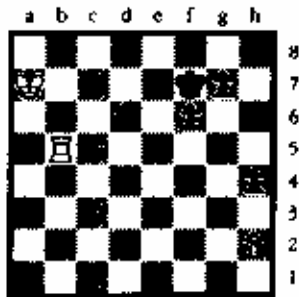
40.e6! fxe6 41.d6 g6 42.d5+ d7 43.g3! d6 44.gxh4 d4 White

has created an outside pass pawn. 45.d3! d6 [45...dxf2? 46.d2+-] 46.d5 d6 47.f4 d7 48.d6 d6 49.h3 d7 50.d5+ d6 51.d2 d7 52.d3 d7 53.d6 d6 54.h4 d7 55.d4 d8 56.d5 d7 57.h5 d7 58.d6 d6 59.d8 d5 60.dxe6 d7 61.d5 Black resigns 1-0

Also in Round 2, one of our top juniors, Tam Nguyen, got over-ambitious in the sleep-inducing 5.Qe2 line of the Petroff. But creative and instructive play transformed a losing Rook ending into a full point:

Nguyen,Tam - Brock,Bill [C42]
 2000 Illinois Class (M/X)
 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.Qe2 Qe7 6.d3 Nf6 7.Bg5 Qxe2+ 8.Bxe2 Be7 9.Nc3 c6 10.Ne4 Nxe4 11.dxe4 Bg4 12.Bxe7 Kxe7 13.Nh4 Be6 14.f4 f6 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Rd4 Rhd8 17.Rhd1 Nf8 18.R4d3 Ng6 19.f5 Nxd4 20.fxe6 Ng6 21.Rb3 Rab8 22.Bg4 Nf4 23.Rg3 Rg8 24.c4 Nxe6 25.Bxe6 Kxe6 26.Rgd3 Rgd8 27.e5 d5 28.exd5+ Rxd5 29.Re3+ Kf7 30.Rxd5 cxd5 31.Kd2 Re8 32.Ra3 a6 33.Kd3 Re4 34.Rb3 Re7 35.Kd4 Rd7 36.Rb6 h5 37.b4 h4 38.c6

bxc6 39.Rxc6 Rb7 40.a3 a5 41.bxa5 Rb5 42.Rc5 Rb3 43.Kxd5 Rxa3 44.Kc6 Ra2 45.Kb6 Rb2+ 46.Rb5 Rxc2 47.a6 Re2 48.a7 Re8 49.Ka6 Ra8 50.Kb7 Rxa7+



51.Kxa7 Ke6 52.Kb6 g5 53.Kc5 Ke5 54.Rb8 g4 55.Rg8 h3 56.Re8+ Kf4 57.Kd4 f5 58.Re3 g3 59.Rb3 1-0

Any game between Tate and Chow is interesting to watch: they have radically dissimilar styles and an equally uncompromising attitude:

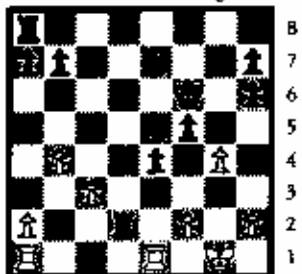
Chow,A (2300) - Tate,E (2485) [B22]

Illinois Class (3), 19.11.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.exd5 [4.e5 transposes into the advance French] 4...exd5 5.f3 d6 6.b5+ d7 7.dxd7+ Qhxd7 8.0-0 de7 9.dxc5 Qxc5 10.de3 0-0 11.Qbd2 Qce4 12.Qd4 Be8 13.Qf5 Qf8 14.Qxe4? dxe4 15.Qxd8 Bexd8 [Not 15...Baxd8 16.Axa7 Bd1] 16.Qg5 [Also good was 16.Bad1] 16...Bd5 17.Qh6+ [Solid was 17.Qxf6 Bxf5 18.Bd4 Bd5=] 17...ggh6 18.Qxf6 Bd2 19.b4 Qg7 20.Qxg7 Qxg7 21.Bfe1 f5 22.g4 Qf6

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23.gxf5 Qxf5 24.Be3 Bg8+ 25.Qf1 Bg4 26.a4 Bh4 27.Qg2 Bg4+ 28.Qf1 Bf4 29.Be2 Bd3 30.c4 Bh4 31.Qg1 Bdh3 32.Bd1 Bg4+ [Black can force

perpetual check after 32...Bxh2 33.Bd7] 33.Qh1 Bd3 34.Bed2 Bxd2 35.Bxd2 e3 36.Bd5+ Qe6 37.fxe3 Bxc4 38.Bb5 Qc7 [Better was 38...b6! 39.a5 bxa5 40.Bxa5 Bxb4 41.Bxa7 Be4 42.Bxh7 Bxe3 43.Bxh6+ Qf7 with an easy theoretical draw] 39.Bh5 Be7 40.Qg2 Bc7 41.Qf3 Bc4 42.Bxh6+ Qe5 43.Bh5+ Qd6 44.Bh6+ Qe5 45.Bh5+ Qd6 Draw agreed 1/2-1/2

Steve Szpisjak had scholastic chess commitments on Saturday and couldn't play in the full event. But he did play against the rapidly improving Robert Loncarevic in Round 3:

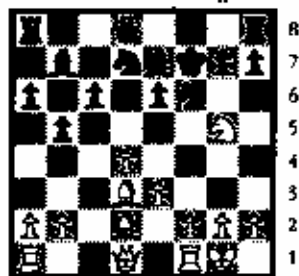
Szpisjak,S - Locarevic,R [D30]

Illinois Class (3), 19.11.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Qf3 Qf6 4.e3 e6 5.Qbd2? Qbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4? [6...Ad6! 7.0-0 0-0] 7.Qxc4 b5 With two weak pawn moves Black has only developed White's knight greater activity. 8.Qce5 Qb7 9.0-0 de7 [Exchanging with 9...Qxe5 10.Qxe5 Ad6 improves the defence] 10.Bd2 a6? [Instead of the solid development 10...0-0, Black finds more little pawn pushes.] 11.Qxf7? Qxf7 The Fried Liver is ugly punishment indeed! 12.Qg5+

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12...Qe8 [Better seems to be 12...Qg8 for example if 13.Qxe6 (13.Qb3 Qf8! 14.Qxe6 Qd5?) 13...Qc8 14.Qb3 c5! 15.Qxc5+ Ad5] 13.Qxe6 Qb6 14.Qxg7+ Qf7 15.Qf5 c5 White has three pawns and enough attack for the gambit knight. 16.e4 c4 [might as well take material and try to survive with 16...cxd4! 17.Qb3+ Qe8 18.Qg7+ Qd8 19.Qe6+ Qe8= draw by perpetual check.] 17.Qc2 Qf8 [17...Qxe4? 18.Qxe4 Qxe4 19.Be1

Qdf6 20.f3+- pinning and winning! 18.d5 Be8 19.Qe3 Qc5 20.Qf3 Qe5? [Time to trade down the attacking power with 20...Qxe3 21.Qxe3 (21.fxe3 Be5) 21...Qc5 22.Qg4 h5 23.Qxd6 Qxf6 24.Qxf6+ Qxf6 25.Bfe1= with knight versus three pawns in the endgame!] 21.Qg3 Qg6? [The last chance was 21...Qh5 22.Qxc5 Qxc5 23.Qg5 Qf3+ 24.gxf3 Bg8 25.Qh6+ Qf8 26.Qxg8 Bxg8 27.Qxg8+ Qxg8 unclear!] 22.Qxc5 Qxc5 23.Qd6+ Black resigns 1-0

For the second consecutive year, I had the pleasure of writing myself a \$250 check for the Under-2100 prize, but not before some opening misadventures that had me groveling for a draw :

Brock,B - Aaron,M [D31]

Illinois Class (4), 19.11.2000

[Brock+Chow]

1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Qc3 c6 4.e4? dxe4 5.Qxe4 Qb4+ 6.Bd2! Qxd4 7.Qxb4 Qxe4+ 8.Qe2 [Also good is 8.Qe2] 8...Qa6 9.Qf8 [9.Qc3? was playable.] 9...Qe5 [Unclear was 9...Qe7 10.Qxg7 Qb4? (10...Bg8)] 10.Qd2 Qd7 11.0-0-0 [11.Bd6] 11...Qxf8! 12.Qxd7 Qc5 13.Qd2 [I thought that 13.Qd4 Qxd4 14.Bxd4 e5+ and Fritz agrees.] 13...Qf6 [I looked at 13...Qe4 14.Qb4+ Qe7 15.Qxb7 Be8 (Fritz suggests 15...Qb8!) 16.Qxa7] 14.f4 Qc7 15.Qc3 Qe7 16.Qc3 b6 [Maybe 16...Qb6 17.Qg3 g6] 17.Qe2 I offered a draw. Bhe8 [Perhaps Black should head straight for the technical win after 17...Bhd8 18.Qf3 Bxd1+ 19.Bxd1 Bd8 20.Bxd8 Qxd8 (or even 20...Qxd8 21.Qxc6 Qd3)] 18.g4 Qf8



19.g5 f6d7 20.h4 g8 Castling by hand took time: Black is still much better but no longer clearly winning. 21.h5 f8 22.Edg1 Caveman chess. Bbd8! [22...a5! 23.g6 hxg6 24.h6 Bbd8 25.hxg7 Qxg7 26.f5 exf5 27.Wh6+ Qf6!] White wants to sac the Nc3 on f6, but Black would respond to Ne4 by chopping wood. So... 23.b4! Qd7 [23...Qa6 24.a3! 24.Qe4 a5 25.f6+ Qxf6 26.gdf6 g6 27.f5 [In light of the game continuation, White might want to throw in 27.bxa5! as I am not sure that Black has any better than 27. ... bxa5] 27...exf5 28.Wh6 Qe6 29.hxg6 [Here we both spent some time analyzing the brilliancy try 29.Wh7+? Qxh7 30.hxg6+ Qg8 31.g7 Aaron pointed out the cleanest refutation in Post-Mortem: 31. ... Qf4+ 32.Qb1 is refuted by 32. ... Qe4+ 33.Qb2 Qxh1 34.Qxh1 Qxg7] 29...Qf4+ 30.Qd4 Qd4 31.gxh7+ [During the game, I seriously considered 31.Qxh7! Qxe2+ 32.Qb2 Qxg1 (Playing for a win looks too dangerous: 32...Bc6 33.Qg7+ Qf8 34.Qxf7+ Qe8 35.Bh1+-) 33.Qg7+ 31...Qh8 32.Qh5 Qxh5 [32...axb4 (see note to move 27! 33.Qg7 Qxh5 34.Qxh5 Be1+ 35.Qxh5



33...axb4? [Black's last chance was 33...Ed4 with the idea of 34. ... Rg4 34.bxa5 Bxc4+ 35.Qb2 bxa5 36.Qxf5

Ze2+ 37.Qb3 Bb4+ 38.Qhg5!+- Thanks to the little guy on f6, there is no way out of the mating net. 34. ... c5 35.Bg8+ Bxg8 36.hxg8W+ Bxg8 37.Bh1 • 1-0

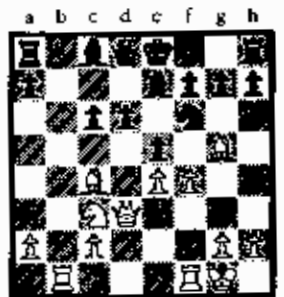
Another one of our top juniors, Yelena Gorlin, has an incredible work ethic at the board. Add to this determination her recent experience at the U.S. Women's Championship, and she becomes even more dangerous. Last year in this tournament, she split two games with FM Al Chow. They met again this year: a victory for Chow would clinch first, while a victory for Gorlin coupled with a draw on Board One could give her a share of the prize.

Gorlin, Y (2175) – Chow, A [B57]

Illinois Class (4), 19.11.2000

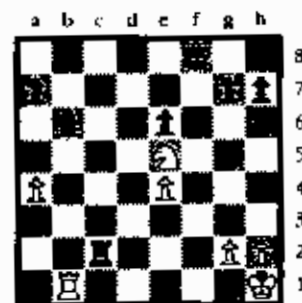
[Albert Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.Qf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Qxd4 Qf6 5.Qc3 Qc6 6.Qc4 Qb6 7.Qxc6 bxc6 8.0-0 e5 9.Qg5! [Solid was first 9.Qh3] 9...Qxb2 Eating the poison pawn! 10.Qd3 Qb6 11.Bab1 [Also unclear was 11.Qxf6 gxf6] 11...Qd8 Retreat with the idea to avoid doubled f pawns. [Alternate improvements include the centralizing 11...Qd4! 12.Qxd4 exd4 13.Qxf6 gxf6 14.Qd5! (14.Qe2 f5! 15.Qxd4 fxe4 16.Qxc6 Qc6) 14...Qd8 15.Qxf6; 11...Qc7? 12.Qxf6 gxf6 13.Qd5? cxd5 14.Qxd5 a6 15.Qxa8 Qxc4 16.Bb8 Qd7; and 11...Qa5!] 12.f4 Qe7



[Good enough to equalize was 12...exf4! 13.Qxf4 (13.e5? dxe5 14.Qxd7! Qxf7 15.Qxd8 Qc5+-; 13.Qd5 cxd5 14.Qxd5 Qd7 15.Qxa8 Qxa8 16.Qxf6 gxf6 17.Qxf4 Qe7) 13...Qc7 14.Qf1 Qg4 15.Qd2 0-0 16.Qxd6 Qxd6 17.Qxd6 Qa5=]

13.fxe5 dxe5 14.Qxd8+ Qxd8 [14...Qxd8? 15.Qxf7=] 15.Qxf6 Qxf6 16.Qd5! Qd8! [16...cxd5? 17.Qxd5 Qa6 18.Qxa8 Qe7 19.Qd5 Qxf1 20.Bb7+-] 17.Qb4 Qb6+ 18.Qh1 Qe6 [More active than 18...f6 19.Qxc6 Qd7 20.Qb4 Bc8=] 19.Qxe6 fxe6 20.Qxc6 Bc8 21.Qxe5 Bxc2 22.a4 [22.Bbc1 Bxc1 23.Qxc1 Qe7=] 22...Bf8 23.Qxf8+ Qxf8



24.h3 [24.Qd7+? Qe7 25.Qxb6 axb6 26.Qg1 Bc4 Black wins a pawn.] 24...Qc7 [Black has many tempting choices although in time pressure it did not seem clear any were winning for example: 24...Qe7] 25.Qd3 [25.Qf3 Bc4] 25...Ba2 [25...Qg3; 25...Bd2 26.Qc5 Qe7] 26.e5! Bxa4 forcing clear equality and a share of the first prize \$! [some chances to play for more were possible with 26...Qb6!] 27.Qc5 Bc4 28.Qxe6+ Qe7 29.Qxc7 [29.Qxg7 Qxe5] 29...Qxc7 30.Bb5 Qe6 31.Qg1 Bf7 32.Ba5 g5 33.g4 Bb7 Draw agreed 1/2-1/2

Tate and Young faced off in the other crucial last-round encounter:

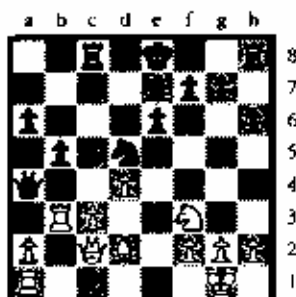
Tate, E (2480) – Young, A (2480) [D52]

Illinois Class (4), 19.11.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.c4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Qc3 Qf6 4.Qg5 c6 5.e3 Qbd7 6.Qf3 Qa5 The Cambridge Springs variation of the Queen's Gambit 7.Qd2 Qe4 8.cxd5 [The natural alternative is 8.Qdxe4 dxe4 9.Qh4] 8...Qxc3 [Also good is 8...Qxd2 9.Qxd2 exd5; Tate regains the piece with complications after 8...Qxg5 9.dxc6? (9.h4) 9...bxc6 10.h4] 9.bxc3 cxd5 10.Qc2 Qa3! 11.Bb1

a6! 12.♔d3 h6 13.♙f4 b5! 14.0-0 ♖b7 15.♗b3 ♜c8 16.♞a1 ♙b6 17.e4 ♗e7 18.♙f3 dxe4 19.♙xe4 ♔d5! 20.♙xd5 ♙xd5 21.♔d2 ♗a4 Angelo has fixed and weakened the backward c3 pawn with accurate strategical play, so Tate gambles on a chance to stir up counterplay before it's too late



22.♗e5! ♗xd4 [Safe and solid was 22...0-0] 23.♙g6 ♗g8 24.♙xe7 ♗xe7 25.♗b2 ♗c4 [maybe better was 25...♗d3?] 26.a4! bxa4 27.♙xa4 ♗gd8 28.g3! [The tactical weakness of White's first rank shows after 28.♙xa4? ♙xc3 29.♙xc3?? ♗xc3-+] 28...♗c6 29.♗a3+ ♗d6 30.♙xa6 ♗xa3 31.♙xa3 ♔d7 Thanks to his imaginative play, Tate has survived into an inferior endgame where despite the equal material, Black has all the winning chances due to the weak c3 pawn and better minor piece. 32.h4 ♜c4 33.♙f1 f5 34.♞a2 ♙f6 35.f3 ♜dc7 36.♜c2 g5 37.hxg5+ hxg5 38.♙c1 ♙g6 Now in mutual time pressure, Tate again goes for activity over the passive (39. ♔d2) 39.♞e2 ♙xc3 40.♙xc3 ♙xc3 41.♙xe6+ ♗h5 [After time control and the end of tourney, an inaccuracy due to fatigue, Angelo could play for more with 41...♙f7 42.♜e1 ♙xf3+ 43.♙g2 g4] 42.g4+! fxg4? [Better was 42...♗h4 43.♞h6+ (43.♙xg5+ ♙xg5 44.gxf5 ♙xf5) 43...♙g3 44.♙xg5 ♙xf3+ 45.♙e1 fxg4] 43.fxg4+ ♙xg4 44.♙xg5! ♜f3+ 45.♙e1 ♙xg5 46.♞e5+ ♜f5 47.♙xf5+ ♙xf5 Draw ½-½

With a draw against Andrey Gorlin and an upset win against Rob Sax, Tim Bogan (1927) had an outside shot of tying for first if he could bring home the point in the last round. But

Stamnov scored his third consecutive win, which coupled with the draws on the top two boards, enabled him to catch the leaders.

In the Class A section, Dan Modes and Jason Duncan scored 3½ points each to split \$325. Al Hammond picked up the \$100 3rd place prize.

You can read more about Jason elsewhere in this issue. He and Sam Ford exchange tactical blows in the opening, then Jason converts a messy double-Rook ending with fine technique.

Duncan, Jason (1688) - Ford, Sam (1877) [B21]

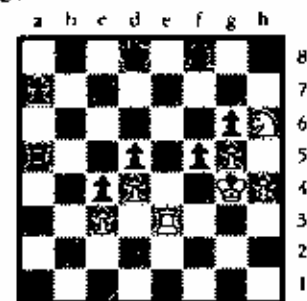
2000 Illinois Class (A section)
 1.e4 c5 2.f4 Nc6 3.Nf3 d6 4.Bb5 Bd7 5.0-0 Nf6 6.Nc3 g6 7.d3 Bg7 8.e5 dxe5 9.fxe5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 Bxb5 11.Nxb5 a6 12.Nxf7 Kxf7 13.Nc3 Qd4+ 14.Kh1 Rhf8 15.Qf3 Kg8 16.Be3 Qd6 17.Rae1 b6 18.Bf4 Qd7 19.Qe2 Rae8 20.Be5 Ng4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.h3 Nf6 23.Qe5 Qd6 24.a4 Qxe5 25.Rxe5 e6 26.Rfe1 Kf7 27.Ne4 Nxe4 28.R1xe4 a5 29.g4 h6 30.h4 Kf6 31.g5+ hxg5 32.Rxg5 Rh8 33.Rf4+ Kg7 34.Rfg4 Rh6 35.h5 Reh8 36.Kg1 Rxb5 37.Rxg6+ Kf7 38.Rg7+ Kf6 39.Rb7 Kf5 40.Rg2 Rh1+ 41.Kf2 Re1 42.Ke3 Rh4 43.Rxb6 Rxa4 44.Rb5 Re1- 45.Rc2 Rxe2- 46.Kxe2 Kf4 47.Rxc5 Ra2 48.Rc4+ Kf5 49.b3 e5 50.Kd2 Ke6 51.Kc1 Ra1+ 52.Kb2 Re1 53.Ra4 Kd6 54.Rxa5 e4 55.dxe4 Rxe4 56.Kc3 Kc6 57.b4 Kb6 58.Kb3 Rh4 59.c4 Rh3+ 60.Ka4 Rc3 61.c5+ Kb7 62.Kb5 Rc1 63.Ra6 Rc3 64.Rh6 Rb3 65.Rh7+ Kb8 66.Kc4 Rb1 67.b5 Rd1 68.b6 Rg1 69.Kb5 Rg5 70.Ka6 Rg8 71.c6 1-0

In the final round of this tournament, Modes secured his piece of the pie by knocking off the dangerous Roberto Chavez, while the greater experience of 7th-grader Duncan prevailed over that of 5th-grader Zhe Quan. (Incidentally, I just had the pleasure of watching Zhe Quan play in another tournament this past weekend, and can guarantee that you'll be reading more about this young man soon....)

Duncan, Jason (1688) - Zhe Quan (1852) [B23]

2000 Illinois Class (A)
 [Duncan, Tom]

1.e4 c5 2.f4 e6 3.Nc3 d6 4.Nf3 Be7 5.Bb5+ Bd7 6.Bxd7+ Nxd7 7.0-0 Ngf6 8.d3 0-0 9.h3 Another idea is Qe1-g3 followed by f5. 9...Rb8 10.g4 b5 11.f5 b4 12.Ne2 exf5 13.exf5 Nd5 14.Qe1 h6 15.Qg3 Re8 16.Nf4 N7b6 17.h4 Nxf4 18.Bxf4 Nd5 19.g5 Better would have been Bd2, keeping the bishop on the board. 19...h5 20.Nd2 Still better is Bd2. 20...Nxf4 21.Qxf4 d5 22.Qf3 22.f6 is much better for white. 22...Bd6 23.Qf3 22...Qd6 23.Rf2 23.f6 gxf6 24.gxf6 Bxf6 25.Qxf6 Qg3+ 26.Kh1 Qh3+ 27.Kg1 Qg3+ = 23...Qe5 24.Qxb5 Rb6 24...Qxb2 25.Raf1 Qxa2 26.g6 fxg6 25.Rb1? 25.Raf1 with a big attack for white. 25...Qxb2?? 26.g6 fxg6 27.fxg6 Bf6 28.Qh7- Kf8 29.Rxf6+ Rxf6 30.Qh8+ Ke7 31.Qxg7+ Ke6. 25...c4 26.Nf3 Qxf5 27.Nd4 27.Ne5 Bc5 27...Qg6 28.Qxg6 Rxg6 29.Nf3 Bd6 30.Kg2 Rge6 31.Nd4 Re5 32.Nf5 Bc7 33.Rbf1 Bb6 34.d4 R5e6 35.c3 bxc3 36.bxc3 Ba5 37.Rf3 Re2+ 38.R1f2 R8e4 39.Kg3 Rxf2 40.Kxf2 Re6 41.Re3 Kf8 42.Rf3 Rb6 43.Re3 Rb2+ 44.Kf3 Rb2 45.Kg4 Rxa2 46.Nd6 g6 47.Ne8 Bd8 48.Nd6 Be7 49.Nb5 Ra5? Better is 49...a5 making use of the passed pawn. 50.Nc7 Bd6 51.Ne8 Ba3 52.Nf6 Be7 53.Nd7+ Ke8 54.Nf6+ Kd8 55.Ng8 Bf8 56.Nb6 f5+



57.Nxf5 gxf5+ 58.Kxf5 Ra6 59.h5 Kd7 60.Rh3 Ke7 61.h6 Ra3 62.Kg6 Ra6+ 63.Kh7 Ra1

64.Rc3+ Kd6 65.Rh3 Kc6 66.g6
Bxb6 67.Rxb6 Kb5 68.g7 Rg1
69.g8Q Rxb8 70.Kxb8 Ka4 71.Kf7
Kb3 72.Kc6 Kxc3 73.Kxd5 Kb4
74.Ra6 1-0

Chambers, Matt Klahn, Gary Levine,
and Otis Lewis \$25 each.

The folks in **Class D** had to work twice
as hard: their section as well as the

Pena, Brian Fox (who held Kassin
to two draws in their match), Dave
Chodak (who cost Krepps a shot at
first by winning their Sunday
brunch match 1½-½), Rich Roman,
Mark Meister, and Ilya
Parizshky.

Finally, the trophy for first
place in the **Unrated** section
was won by **Shawn Rhoney**
with six consecutive wins
and two (future
grandmaster?) draws in the
final two rounds. Charles
Thompson (who lost only to
Rhoney) and Carl Bolm
(who scored an undefeated

6-2) tied for 2nd place; a blitz game
sent the trophy Bolm's way.

Our thanks to organizer Fred
Gruenberg, head TD Tim Just and
his assistants, Glenn Panner and
Larry Cohen, and Tim O'Brien and
Sam Ford who helped with
registration and setup. Hope to see
you there this year: mark your
calendars for the weekend before
Thanksgiving!

Illinois Class		November 18-19, 2000												score
UNRATED		W 6	W 6	W 3	W 3	W 4	W 4	D 2	D 2					
1	RHONEY Shawn	W10	W10	D 8	D 8	W 5	W 5	D 1	D 1					7
2	BOLM Carl	W11	W11	L 1	L 1	W 6	W 6	W 7	W 7					6
3	THOMPSON Charles	W12	W12	W 7	O 7	L 1	L 1	W 9	D 9					5
4	BARRINGTON Erwin	D 7	D 7	W11	W11	L 2	L 2	B	B					5
5	SZYMCZAK Michael	L 1	L 1	W 9	W 9	L 3	L 3	W12	W12					4
6	SZYMCZAK Adam	D 5	D 5	L 4	D 4	X	X	L 3	L 3					3.5
7	SMITH Brandon IL	W 9	W 9	D 2	D 2	F	F	-	-					3
8	DUKES Tavskan	L 6	L 6	L 6	L 6	W12	W12	L 4	D 4					2.5
9	FRIEDMAN Daniel	L 2	L 2	W12	W12	F	F	-	-					2
10	SOFF Benjamin	L 3	L 3	L 5	L 5	F	F	-	-					0
11	WARSO Zachary	L 4	L 4	L10	L10	L 9	L 9	L 6	L 6					0
12	IVANOV Ivan													

In the decisive encounter in **Class B**,
Jameson Painter squared off against
ICB Editor Josh Flores in the last
round. Painter won to take clear 1st
place and \$400 with a score of 3½-½.
The 2nd-3rd place prize of \$150 each
went to Wayne Ellice and Vilorik
Zazovskiy for their 3-1 scores.

In **Class C**, Jim Burnett and Joshua
Kueker swept the field in the first three
rounds, then drew each other to share
1st place, taking home \$300 each. A 4-
way tie for 3rd netted Adam

Class E/F and Unrated sections, played
eight games in all. Greg Weber scored
a fine 6½-1½ to take clear first and
\$250. The next two prizes were totaled
and divided by Ed Wronski, Phil Lopez,
Isaiah Petty, and G. Jackson (who beat
Weber 1½-½ in their individual
matchup) for a payday of \$50 each.

In **Class E/F**, Dave Kassin scored an
undefeated 7-1 to coast to clear first,
winning \$200. The 2nd place prize of
\$100 went to Collin Krepps with 6½-
1½. For 3rd place, \$50 was divided
seven ways by Gershon Bialer, Andy

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Illinois Open Crosstables

Illinois Open		September 2-4, 2000										
OPEN SECTION												
		score tour										
1	GOLDIN Alexander	FL	2683	W35	W18	W45	W 6	D 2	W 7	5.5	23	M
2	GUREVICH Dmitry	IL	2635	W23	W46	W 4	W30	D 1	W 9	5.5	23	M
3	GOLOVEY Tamara	IL	2290	D24	W26	W16	D32	W17	W12	5	15	M
4	CHOW Albert	IL	2251	W38	W55	L 2	W20	W18	W16	5	15	M
5	KARKLINS Andrew	IL	2349	W37	W62	L 7	W34	D 9	W23	4.5	10	M
6	GALIOT Goran	IL	2209	W25	W15	W10	L 1	D 8	W24	4.5	10	M
7	NGUYEN Tam	IL	2139	W70	W40	W 5	D 9	W30	L 1	4.5	10	MX
8	AARON Michael	IL	2071	W50	L10	W47	W52	D 6	W30	4.5	10	MX
9	PALOS Osman	IL	2454	W56	W13	W12	D 7	D 5	L 2	4	8	M
10	YOUNG Angelo	IL	2454	W63	W 8	L 6	D17	W22	D11	4	8	M
11	GRATZ Glen E	IL	2186	W68	L16	W44	W36	H	D10	4	8	MX
12	MARSHALL James A	IL	2156	W47	W27	L 9	W48	W28	L 3	4	8	MX
13	GAST Bryan	IL	2073	W65	L 9	W64	D39	D27	W37	4	8	MX
14	BROCK William	IL	2015	L40	W69	L28	W64	W47	W39	4	8	MX
15	SAX Robert	IL	2000	W51	L 6	W40	L28	W48	W32	4	8	MX
16	SANTANA Miguel An	IL	1989	W60	W11	L 3	W45	W32	L 4	4	8	MXA
17	SPLINTER Joseph C	IL	2108	W71	W29	H	D10	L 3	D21	3.5	7	MX
18	RIDDELL Joshua	IL	2073	W49	L 1	W43	W50	L 4	D26	3.5	7	MX
19	MININ Serge	IL	2036	W58	L30	H	H	W36	D27	3.5	7	MX
20	KARKLINS Erik	IL	2000	W72	L45	W29	L 4	W51	D28	3.5	7	MX
21	WARREN James	IL	2000	D59	L44	D51	W57	W50	D17	3.5	7	MX
22	SATTERLEE Ray Doy	IL	1972	W53	L32	D39	W54	L10	W43	3.5	7	MXA
23	GAZMEN Ethelbert	IL	1953	L 2	W71	W61	H	W41	L 5	3.5	7	MXA
24	GORLIN Andrew	IL	1914	D 3	W54	D41	D49	W31	L 6	3.5	7	MXA
25	RIDDLE Robert	IL	1900	L 6	H	L59	W70	W56	W46	3.5	7	MXA
26	GORLIN Gennadiy	IL	1888	D31	L 3	D60	W62	W46	D18	3.5	7	MXA
27	MODES Daniel R	IL	1822	X	L12	W46	H	D13	D19	3.5	7	MXA
28	DOMA Vinay R	IL	1679	L55	W68	W14	W15	L12	D20	3.5	7	MXAB
29	RODRIGUEZ Jose Jr	IL	1572	W42	L17	L20	X63	W34	D31	3.5	7	MXABC
30	STAMNOV Aleksanda	FR	2291	W67	W19	W33	L 2	L 7	L 8	3	6	M
31	SZPISJAK Steve	IL	2200	D26	L39	W58	W44	L24	D29	3	6	M
32	STEVANOVIC Miomir	IL	2171	W69	W22	D36	D 3	L16	L15	3	6	MX
33	FAGAN James B	IL	2096	W48	W52	L30	H	D39	-	3	6	MX
34	BONDAR Leonid	IL	1979	L52	W70	W53	L 5	L29	W51	3	6	MXA
35	FORD Sam	IL	1954	L 1	L48	W71	L51	W57	W50	3	6	MXA
36	AKHMETOV Artem	IL	1920	D54	W72	D32	L11	L19	W53	3	6	MXA
37	MONATELLI David	IL	1920	L 5	L50	W49	W53	W52	L13	3	6	MXA
38	HUANG Kenneth	IL	1904	L 4	D58	H	H	D40	W48	3	6	MXA
39	LONCAREVIC Robert	IL	1806	D41	W31	D22	D13	D33	L14	3	6	MXA
40	DUNCAN Jason	IL	1649	W14	L 7	L15	D42	D38	W47	3	6	MXAB
41	HENDERSON Scot L	IL	2088	D39	W59	D24	H	L23	-	2.5	5	MX
42	COHEN Lawrence	IL	1999	L29	L47	W70	D40	L44	B	2.5	5	MXA
43	READ Rhys	IL	1900	L45	W57	L18	H	W59	L22	2.5	5	MXA
44	CASE Rick	IL	1800	H	W21	L11	L31	W42	-	2.5	5	MXA
45	BACHLER Kevin	IL	2226	W43	W20	L 1	L16	-	-	2	4	M
46	BENESA Arnulfo	IL	2077	W64	L 2	L27	W59	L26	L25	2	4	MX
47	ARAMIL William J	IL	1869	L12	W42	L 8	W55	L14	L40	2	4	MXA
48	MARKOVIC Arandel	IL	1841	L33	W35	W62	L12	L15	L38	2	4	MXA
49	SMYTHE Bill	IL	1800	L18	L63	L37	D24	W61	D57	2	4	MXA
50	HENDERSON S E	IL	1764	L 8	W37	W55	L18	L21	L35	2	4	MXAB
51	HUBBARD Andrew	IL	1641	L15	H	D21	W35	L20	L34	2	4	MXAB
52	LENER Gabriel	IL	1506	W34	L33	W63	L 8	L37	-	2	4	MXABC
53	VIGANTS Albert	IL	1460	L22	B	L34	L37	X64	L36	2	4	MXABC
54	MAKSIMOVIC Dejan	IL	2305	D36	L24	W65	L22	-	-	1.5	3	M
55	KINNAIRD Rodney M	IL	2016	W28	L 4	L50	L47	D58	-	1.5	3	MX
56	LORING Steve	IL	1927	L 9	L64	H	W61	L25	-	1.5	3	MXA
57	ALLISON Roger	IL	1749	L62	L43	W69	L21	L35	D49	1.5	3	MXAB

Open Section Continued..

58	AROND Dean	IL	1728	L29	D38	L31	H	D55	-	1.5	3	MXAB
59	MC CORMICK Andy	IL	1599	D21	L41	W25	L46	L43	-	1.5	3	MXABC
60	VENUSO Michael	IL	1551	L16	H	D26	H	-	-	1.5	3	MXABC
61	GRYFINSKI Michael	IL	1097	H	H	L23	L56	L49	D66	1.5	3	MXABCDE
62	INUMERABLE Floren	IL	2048	W57	L 5	L48	L26	-	-	1	2	MX
63	THOMPSON Cedric	WI	1938	L10	W49	L52	F29	-	-	1	2	MXA
64	COVIC Mehmed	IL	1804	L46	W56	L13	L14	F53	-	1	2	MXA
65	BUTTNY William	IL	1800	L13	H	L54	-	-	-	0.5	1	MXA
66	GORDON Ross S	IL	706	-	-	-	-	-	D61	0.5	1	MXABCDEFG
67	NAYLOR Samuel	IL	1919	L30	-	-	-	-	-	0		
68	RICHMOND M Barrie	IL	1876	L11	L28	-	-	-	-	0		
69	GARWOOD Brian	IL	1873	L32	L14	L57	-	-	-	0		
70	KAMBER George W	IN	1856	L 7	L34	L42	L25	-	-	0		
71	CAVITT Dexter	IL	1849	L17	L23	L35	-	-	-	0		
72	RAMAMOORTHY Shank	IL	1578	L20	L36	-	-	-	-	0		

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RESERVE SECTION

		score							tour		
1	FLORES Joshua	1696	W 36	W123	W 55	W 56	W 24	W 7	6	36	B
2	RASMUSSEN Robert	1717	W125	D 19	W 54	W 91	W 48	W 15	5.5	23	B
3	JAHEDI Salar	1706	W102	W 96	W 52	W 4	D 7	W 22	5.5	23	B
4	GIERTZ Charles	1577	W130	W 99	W 34	L 3	W 33	W 28	5	15	BC
5	STAPLES Carl	1551	W112	W115	L 7	W 35	W 78	W 29	5	15	BC
6	SUMMERHAYS David	1501	W 83	W146	D 25	W 13	W 43	D 14	5	15	BC
7	LEONG Gee	1750	W100	W 30	W 5	W 16	D 3	L 1	4.5	10	B
8	NAPOLI Carmelo	1719	D142	W106	W 85	L 15	W 55	W 31	4.5	10	B
9	HAYES Christopher	1684	W104	L 55	W151	D 23	W 54	W 49	4.5	10	B
10	KORPI Ernest J	1682	W126	H	L 22	W 77	W 58	W 50	4.5	10	B
11	PARSONS Bob	1674	W105	L 21	W104	W 70	D 31	W 56	4.5	10	B
12	JOHNSON Eric L	1673	W154	D 69	W 58	L 22	W 71	W 51	4.5	10	B
13	BONWELL Jonathan	1669	W152	D 97	W 59	L 6	W 99	W 57	4.5	10	B
14	BUCIOR Sylvester	1660	W127	D 22	X	D 33	W 30	D 6	4.5	10	B
15	QUIRK Michael	1622	D 79	W101	W 98	W 8	W 25	L 2	4.5	10	B
16	CYGAN Joseph	1617	W109	W 71	W 60	L 7	D 20	W 62	4.5	10	B
17	STEVENS Joseph M	1605	W 38	L 31	W127	H	W 59	W 43	4.5	10	B
18	LUNG Richard	1561	W153	W 73	W114	L 24	B	D 21	4.5	10	BC
19	BAUMGARTNER Chris	1500	W 84	D 2	H	W133	D 46	W 47	4.5	10	BC
20	CHAMBERS Adam	1470	W136	L 24	W131	W 39	D 16	W 46	4.5	10	BC
21	FAMBRO Paul	1465	W137	W 11	L 46	W121	W 67	D 18	4.5	10	BC
22	NAPOLI Anthony	1420	W156	D 14	W 10	W 12	W 45	L 3	4.5	10	BC
23	WARD Christopher	1309	D 65	W162	W 26	D 9	H	W 48	4.5	10	BCD
24	SZAFRAN Martin	1731	W 62	W 20	W 28	W 18	L 1	-	4	8	B
25	ALBERTS Walter	1700	W 76	W149	D 6	W 57	L 15	D 26	4	8	B
26	BODZIONY Piotr	1587	W 81	D 32	L 23	W106	W 75	D 25	4	8	BC
27	SAHS James W	1577	W110	L 33	W128	D 75	D 38	W 78	4	8	BC
28	GASIECKI Alan	1541	W131	W 75	L 24	W114	W 85	L 4	4	8	BC
29	RAMOS Fabian	1539	H	W113	D133	W115	W 37	L 5	4	8	BC
30	BURNETT Jim	1503	W 39	L 7	W 81	W 86	L 14	W 79	4	8	BC
31	DUEKER John	1399	W159	W 17	W 49	D 48	D 11	L 8	4	8	BCD
32	WRONSKI Edmond	1359	W163	D 26	L 91	D 66	W134	W 81	4	8	BCD
33	FREIDEL Paul	1347	W140	W 27	H	D 14	L 4	W 90	4	8	BCD
34	KUNG Harold	1333	W139	W 50	L 4	L 67	W 86	W 82	4	8	BCD
35	LOPEZ Philip	1297	L148	W 84	W 90	L 5	W133	W 85	4	8	BCD
36	FREIDEL Jesse	1258	L 1	W119	H	D 53	W120	W 84	4	8	BCD
37	TRAGER Geoff	1139	L 47	W138	W119	W 52	L 29	X 67	4	8	BCDE
38	DIKOFF Mark	1106	L 17	W159	D 94	W 97	D 27	W 70	4	8	BCDE
39	WALLENBERG Ben	974	L 30	W 61	W149	L 20	W 72	W 76	4	8	BCDEF
40	ZAZOVSKIY Vilorik	1790	L 75	D143	W 80	L 98	W106	W 83	3.5	7	B
41	LEUNG Daniel	1774	W 61	W 94	H	L 45	W 68	-	3.5	7	B
42	BOURGERIE Dennis	1707	W151	L 56	W 76	D 55	L 57	W 99	3.5	7	B

Reserve Section Continued..

43	JONES Byron	1696	W103	D 54	W 69	W 93	L 6	L 17	3.5	7	B
44	DELAY Joseph	1687	H	W142	L 57	W101	W 93	-	3.5	7	B
45	SMITH Jason L	1637	W 77	D 58	W124	W 41	L 22	-	3.5	7	B
46	GROEGER Andrew	1629	W107	D 59	W 57	H	D 19	L 20	3.5	7	B
47	WALKER Charles L	1627	W 37	L 60	W126	D 71	W 38	L 19	3.5	7	B
48	PARNABY Mark	1625	W108	W150	W 21	D 31	L 2	L 23	3.5	7	B
49	PAPPAS George J	1592	W 80	W 72	L 31	W 60	D 56	L 9	3.5	7	BC
50	WITEK Gregory A	1563	W111	L 34	W107	D 99	W100	L 10	3.5	7	BC
51	PADILLA Rudy	1548	L114	W154	W129	W 79	H	L 12	3.5	7	BC
52	MEHTA Devang	1540	W116	W 90	L 3	L 37	W128	D 63	3.5	7	BC
53	GRANT Dennis	1500	H	H	D130	D 36	D108	W100	3.5	7	BC
54	VONDRUSKA Richard	1474	W135	D 43	L 2	W109	L 9	W108	3.5	7	BC
55	GORODETSKIY Eugene	1470	W 86	W 9	L 1	D 42	L 9	W101	3.5	7	BC
56	AILES Tim S	1469	W118	W 42	W121	L 1	D 49	L 11	3.5	7	BC
57	MAYE Erik	1440	H	W117	W 44	L 25	W 42	L 13	3.5	7	BC
58	NAPOLI Mike	1409	W 64	D 45	L 12	W130	L 10	W115	3.5	7	BC
59	LOBRACO Michael J	1400	W158	D 46	L 13	W117	L 17	W114	3.5	7	BC
60	OKUNEVICH Matthew	1400	W138	W 47	L 16	L 49	D114	W105	3.5	7	BC
61	PEKOVIC Jusuf	1312	L 41	L 39	W119	W154	D 88	X 93	3.5	7	BCD
62	SOSSI Michael	1287	L 24	W136	W139	D 68	W 91	L 16	3.5	7	BCD
63	LEVY Adam B	1230	L121	W158	L 67	W 87	W 66	D 52	3.5	7	BCD
64	BURBON Javier	765	L 58	D 77	L 92	W153	W102	W 98	3.5	7	BCDEFG
65	LYNCH Mark O	1773	D 23	L114	W110	D 72	W103	-	3	6	B
66	STURGEON Victor	1724	D101	L 79	W113	D 32	L 63	W128	3	6	B
67	RAMAMOORTHY Shank	1578	H	H	W 63	W 34	L 21	F 37	3	6	BC
68	ENGELN Mark	1550	W143	L 85	W108	D 62	L 41	D 75	3	6	BC
69	SUMMERHAYS John	1451	W 87	D 12	L 43	H	L 81	W130	3	6	BC
70	NAPOLI Steven	1408	W 88	L121	W135	L 11	W132	L 38	3	6	BC
71	CUMMINGS Michael	1371	W147	L 16	W 87	D 47	L 12	D 88	3	6	BCD
72	MORAN Philip	1366	W146	L 49	D 88	D 65	L 38	W134	3	6	BCD
73	HUANG Winston	1334	W 78	L 18	H	H	L 90	W131	3	6	BCD
74	LEWIS Oris	1329	L 90	W132	L 78	W143	L 84	W135	3	6	BCD
75	NIENART Christopher	1320	W 40	L 28	W140	D 27	L 26	D 68	3	6	BCD
76	LEVINE Gary	1267	L 25	W145	L 42	W131	W138	L 39	3	6	BCD
77	JACKSON Gregory	1227	L 45	D 64	W144	L 10	D139	W132	3	6	BCD
78	BLOCK Joe	1167	L 73	W153	W 74	W 96	L 5	L 27	3	6	BCDE
79	FREIDEL Jeremiah	1126	D 15	W 66	H	L 51	W122	L 30	3	6	BCDE
80	GASUNAS Anthony	1102	L 49	H	L 40	W144	D 95	W122	3	6	BCDE
81	SHANLEY William	1101	L 26	W163	L 30	W150	W 69	L 32	3	6	BCDE
82	LIN Der-Long	1069	L 91	L140	W159	W141	W123	L 34	3	6	BCDE
83	CHEN Byron	960	L 6	L100	W163	W104	X	L 40	3	6	BCDEF
84	LAWRENCE Danyul	934	L 19	L 35	W146	W126	W 74	L 36	3	6	BCDEF
85	STAR Jon	903	X	W 68	L 8	W157	L 28	L 35	3	6	BCDEF
86	KRASNOPOLSKIY George	880	L 55	W102	W150	L 30	L 34	W141	3	6	BCDEF
87	FERGUSON James	807	L 69	W105	L 71	L 63	W152	W125	3	6	BCDEF
88	LANG Tristan J	753	L 70	W152	D 72	D 95	D 61	D 71	3	6	BCDEFG
89	PETTYE Isaiah		W141	L 93	L 98	L108	W129	W127	3		
90	PROLA Chris		W 74	L 52	L 35	W127	W 73	L 33	3		
91	BACKSTROM Orn O	1551	W 82	H	W 32	L 2	L 62	-	2.5	5	BC
92	SHELLHAMER Ted	1546	L115	L116	W 64	D111	W109	-	2.5	5	BC
93	SHOCKLEY Robert	1524	W155	W 99	H	L 43	L 44	F 61	2.5	5	BC
94	GORELICK Lorne B	1522	W132	L 41	D 38	L100	L111	W138	2.5	5	BC
95	KITTSLEY Scott	1500	D117	L133	D143	D 86	D 80	D110	2.5	5	BC
96	WARREN Helen	1480	W134	L 3	W116	L 78	D115	-	2.5	5	BC
97	SEIBEL Dennis	1411	W157	D 13	L 46	L 38	D130	D117	2.5	5	BC
98	BENFORADO Ed	1369	D106	W144	L 15	W 40	L 47	L 64	2.5	5	BCD
99	BRONNER Ben	1354	W120	L 4	W 89	D 50	L 13	L 42	2.5	5	BCD
100	SCHMIDT Scott	1306	L 7	W 83	D120	W 94	L 50	L 53	2.5	5	BCD
101	DICKEY Douglas	1278	D 66	L 15	W155	L 44	W113	L 55	2.5	5	BCD
102	GORODETSKIY Steve	1267	L 3	L 86	W137	D116	L 64	W143	2.5	5	BCD
103	JONES Patrick	1255	L 43	H	D134	W135	L 65	D120	2.5	5	BCD

Reserve Section Continued..

104	WHITE James	1252	L 9	W137	L 11	L 83	W136	D118	2.5	5	BCD
105	GRIESMEYER Walter	1248	L 11	L 87	W156	W158	H	L 60	2.5	5	BCD
106	HIERONYMUS April	1217	D 98	L 8	W162	L 26	L 40	W145	2.5	5	BCD
107	HAYES Mike	1151	L 46	W160	L 50	L136	D119	W144	2.5	5	BCDE
108	KOPINSKI Mike	1137	L 48	W161	L 68	W 89	D 53	L 54	2.5	5	BCDE
109	LEWIS Richard	1113	L 16	W147	H	L 54	L 92	W146	2.5	5	BCDE
110	CUBACUB Arturo	1089	L 27	H	L 65	H	W140	D 95	2.5	5	BCDE
111	LYNCH Nicholas	1076	L 50	L139	W157	D 92	W 94	-	2.5	5	BCDE
112	VARGAS Angel	1073	L 5	L120	F138	D146	W161	W147	2.5	5	BCDE
113	ILIC Lazar S	1072	H	L 29	L 66	W162	L101	W142	2.5	5	BCDE
114	BEGY Ryan	1057	W 51	W 65	L 18	L 28	D 60	L 59	2.5	5	BCDE
115	LUNG Jonathan	1050	W 92	L 5	W122	L 29	D 96	L 58	2.5	5	BCDE
116	WIDING Daniel	1016	L 52	W 92	L 96	D102	W142	-	2.5	5	BCDE
117	PHELPS Douglas	957	D 95	L 57	W142	L 59	D125	D 97	2.5	5	BCDEF
118	ABRAMS Scott	850	L 56	L151	L 61	W159	W126	D104	2.5	5	BCDEF
119	STAPLETON Joshua	804	L123	L 36	L 37	W163	D107	W152	2.5	5	BCDEF
120	BERGELSON Robert		L 99	W112	D100	D124	L 36	D103	2.5		
121	GAPUZ Wilfredo C	1648	W 63	W 70	L 56	L 21	-	-	2	4	B
122	BOONE Foster	1487	D133	H	L115	W129	L 79	L 80	2	4	BC
123	LANGER David	1441	W119	L 1	H	H	L 82	-	2	4	BC
124	GILRUTH Bruce	1383	W161	H	L 45	D120	-	-	2	4	BCD
125	FREIDEL Dennis	1270	L 2	L135	H	W155	D117	L 87	2	4	BCD
126	BOYD Joseph C	1250	L 10	W157	L 47	L 84	L118	W156	2	4	BCD
127	DE LA MORA Salvador	1231	L 14	W156	L 17	L 90	W158	L 89	2	4	BCD
128	KLINK Steven	1150	H	H	L 27	W140	L 52	L 66	2	4	BCDE
129	HENDERSON Dale	1111	H	H	L 51	L122	L 89	W158	2	4	BCDE
130	MORAN Wesley	1076	L 4	W146	D 53	L 58	D 97	L 69	2	4	BCDE
131	SETHI Rishi	1019	L 28	W141	L 20	L 76	X150	L 73	2	4	BCDE
132	GORODETSKIY Alex	995	L 94	L 74	W147	W151	L 70	L 77	2	4	BCDEF
133	LAU Alvin C	913	D122	W 95	D 29	L 19	L 35	-	2	4	BCDEF
134	OHLHAUSEN David	903	L 96	H	D103	W152	L 32	L 72	2	4	BCDEF
135	SWINDELL Frankie III	983	L 54	W125	L 70	L103	W151	L 74	2	4	BCDEF
136	TOWNSEND Amelia J	872	L 20	L 62	L141	W156	L104	W161	2	4	BCDEF
137	SLOAN Ron	825	L 21	L104	L102	L147	W159	W157	2	4	BCDEF
138	BARCLAY Kayin	732	L 60	L 37	X112	W107	L 76	L 94	2	4	BCDEFG
139	GUENTHER Richard		L 34	W111	L 62	H	D 77	-	2		
140	REISS Ray		L 33	W 82	L 75	L128	L110	W154	2		
141	TRESTER David		L 89	L131	W136	L 82	W154	L 86	2		
142	WISHNER Michael	1274	D 8	L 44	L117	W161	L116	L113	1.5	3	BCD
143	MEISTER Mark	1061	L 68	D 40	D 95	L 74	D147	L102	1.5	3	BCDE
144	ECKARDT Robbie	868	H	L 98	L 77	L 80	W160	L107	1.5	3	BCDEF
145	KASTURAK Zach	820	L149	L 76	L152	D160	W162	L106	1.5	3	BCDEF
146	KYRIAZES Harry		L 72	L130	L 84	D112	W155	L109	1.5		
147	LEVY Corey		L 71	L109	L132	W137	D143	L112	1.5		
148	FISCHER Gregory A	1749	W 35	L 6	-	-	-	-	1	2	B
149	LUSTER Sean	1456	W145	L 25	L 39	-	-	-	1	2	BC
150	LESKO Phil	1396	W160	L 48	L 86	L 81	F131	-	1	2	BCD
151	WIDING Robert	1269	L 42	W118	L 9	L132	L135	-	1	2	BCD
152	HUDSON Benjamin	1241	L 13	L 88	W145	L134	L 87	L119	1	2	BCD
153	DOLL Matt	1074	L 18	L 78	L158	L 64	L157	W162	1	2	BCDE
154	STRUC Brian	1046	L 12	L 51	W160	L 61	L141	L140	1	2	BCDE
155	DUPEE Arthur B	998	L 93	H	L101	L125	L146	D160	1	2	BCDEF
156	BERMAN Mark E	800	L 22	L127	L105	L136	W163	L126	1	2	BCDEF
157	SWINDELL Jacqueline	776	L 97	L126	L111	L 85	W153	L137	1	2	BCDEFG
158	WANG Zheng	736	L 59	L 63	W153	L105	L127	L129	1	2	BCDEFG
159	GORDON Ross S	706	L 31	L 38	L 82	L118	L137	B	1	2	BCDEFG
160	JOHNSON Rob	628	L150	L107	L154	D145	L144	D155	1	2	BCDEFG
161	BILOW Michael	461	L124	L108	B	L142	L112	L136	1	2	BCDEFGH
162	BRANDT Elliot	788	H	L 23	L106	L113	L145	L153	0.5	1	BCDEFG
163	HASS Matthew		L 32	L 81	L 83	L119	L156	-	0		

Palos Wins 2000 ICA Tour

Bill Smythe

Osman Palos has done it again, winning the 2000 Illinois Chess Tour by 28 points over his nearest rival, Aleksander Stannov. Palos accomplished this despite giving the rest of the field a five-month handicap by being present in the United States only from April through October.

At the last minute, Stannov overtook Albert Chow for second place, as Chow skipped the year's final Tour event, Larry Cohen's Y2.001K Open. Chow finished third. The importance of activity was also driven home in classes A, B, and C, as second place in each of these classes also changed hands as a result of the Cohen tournament.

Speaking of Cohen, the lighter Nehoc won first place in both Expert and Class A, but leaves the A prize to others, as no player is allowed to win two Tour prizes in a year. Stanimir Ilic was the runner-up Expert, while Daniel Modes and Robert Loncarevic were the Class A beneficiaries of Cohen's dual win.

The complete prize list appears below. The list becomes official in mid-February, to allow time for possible corrections. Any errors must be reported to Tour statistician Bill Smythe, chichess@enteract.com, no later than February 15, 2001. Tour prizes will then be paid at the annual ICA Banquet in the spring.

Master:

1st: Osman Palos \$350

2nd: Aleksander Stannov
250

3rd: Albert Chow 150

Expert:

1st: Larry Cohen \$160

2nd: Stanimir Ilic 80

Class A:

1st: Daniel Modes \$130

2nd: Robert Loncarevic 65

Class B:

1st: Joshua Flores \$100

2nd: Mark Engelen 50

Class C:

1st: James Burnett \$70

2nd: Dennis Seibel 35

Class D:

1st: Christopher Nienart \$40

2nd: Philip Lopez 20

Class E:

1st: Steven Klink \$25

2000 ICA Tour Standings

Master Tour Points:	BENESA Arnulfo	11	HUANG Winston	5	HERNANDEZ Hector R	2	
PALOS Osman	122	DOMA Vinay R (2)	11	LONG David	5	JACKSON Gregory	2
STAMNOV Aleksandar	96	DUNCAN Jason	11	LOPEZ Eugene C	5	JURSICH James A	2
CHOW Albert C	92.5	DUPUIS Brian M	11	PETTYE Isaiah	5	KAWANO John (2)	2
COHEN Lawrence S	75	RIDDELL Joshua S	11	READ Rhys (1)	5	KIM David E (2)	2
PEDZICH Dominik	58.5	WALLACH Kenneth (2)	11	FISHMAN Joseph	4.5	LANG Tristan J	2
YOUNG Angelo	58.5	LUNG Jonathan	10.3	KASSIN David	4.5	MISHLOVE David (1)	2
MAKSIMOVIC Dejan	48	ALLISON Roger S	10	ALBERTS Walter A	4	MOORE Glenn (2)	2
NGUYEN Tam Ducmin	46.5	CYGAN Joseph	10	BACKSTROM Orn O (2)	4	MOORE Rod (2)	2
SZPISJAK Steven J	46.5	GALIOT Goran (2)	10	BOGAN Timothy J (1)	4	NEESE Brian A (2)	2
GUREVICH Dmitry	44	MUSSELMAN Charles	10	BOURGERIE Dennis	4	PAPPAS George J (2)	2
MARSHALL James A	43	WARREN James E	10	BUNGO D Gregory (1)	4	POTTS Kevin J (2)	2
BROCK William	41.5	ZAZOVSKIY Vilorik	10	RUTTNY William P (2)	4	ROSE Alan J (2)	2
PARAGUA Mark C	41	FAGAN James B	9.5	CARROLL Charles (1)	4	SAHS James W	2
ILIC Stanimir M	37	HOSCH Yahshua	9.5	DUKER John T	4	SHANLEY William	2
ZINYTCH Miron	34	CHUA Johnson	9	FITZGERALD Marti (1)	4	STOLTZ Robert M	2
LONCAREVIC Robert	32	DODSON Kermit	9	GUO Shao-Yun (1)	4	STOYANOV Stoyan (1)	2
ARAMIL William J	31.5	COHEN Howard	8.5	HAMMOTHE Brandon (2)	4	THOMPSON Cedric (2)	2
GORLIN Gennadiy	30	SUPRUN Denis	8.3	HENDERSON S E (1)	4	VAN PETTEN Jim (2)	2
GORLIN Andrey	28.5	AILES Tim S	8	HUANG Vincent Tsa	4	WEBER T V (1)	2
AARON Michael E	28	BACHLER Kevin L	8	RITTSLEY Scott L	4	WILHELM John H	2
GORLIN Yelena	28	BURKE John F (2)	8	KOPULA Suryaprak (2)	4	WOLF William P (1)	2
PASALIC Mehmed	26.2	FLORES Joshua	8	LEALI Matthew (2)	4	BARKER Gary F	1.5
SCOTT Gene G	25	GASUNAS Anthony C	8	LENER Gabriel	4	BUCTOR Sylvester (2)	1.5
COVIC Mehmed	24.5	GIANNOKOPOULOS Dimit	8	MILLER David A (1)	4	HALE Bob Lloyd (2)	1.5
SMYTHE Bill	24.5	GRATZ Glen E (1)	8	SCHWAIGER Anthony J	4	SPITZIG Mark (1)	1.5
ENGELN Mark	24	HIERONYMUS April	8	STOTLER Richard E	4	SUMMERHAYS David	1.5
GREGORY Jamie	24	ILIC Lazar S	8	SUAREZ Ronald J (2)	4	WASHINGTON Ronal (2)	1.5
MODES Daniel R	22.5	NORDAHL David	8	VIGANTS Albert (1)	4	WISHNER Michael	1.5
SEIBEL Dennis	22.5	STAPLES Carl	8	WAKERLY Ralph T (1)	4	ANDREW Earl (1)	1
KARKLINS Andrew	22	SMITH Orlan B	7.8	BODZIONY Piotr	3.5	CARROLL Sean	1
WITEK Gregory A	21.3	DUPUIS Erik G	7.5	CHEN Byron	3.5	CONNELLY Alexand (1)	1
GAST Bryan	21	GARWOOD Brian A	7.5	LOBRACK Michael J	3.5	CONNELLY Patrice (1)	1
HUANG Kenneth	21	LOPEZ Philip	7.5	O'BRIEN Matthew (2)	3.5	DIVINSKY Gregory (1)	1
NIENART Christo	19.7	PEKOVIC Jusuf	7.5	ROGERS Nathaniel	3.2	DRENDEL Tyler (2)	1
CAVITT Dexter	19	CASE Rick	7	BEAUBAN Brian	3	DUFFY Dave (1)	1
HUBBARD Andrew	19	FRENCH J Kevin (1)	7	CHODAK David W	3	ENG Allen (2)	1
KARKLINS Erik	18	GAZMEN Ethelbert (2)	7	DELA MORA Salvador	3	FLYNN Andrew S (1)	1
RODRIGUEZ Jose A Jr	18	JASAREVIC Ersan (1)	7	DUNCAN Thomas	3	FOX Brian	1
AROND Dean	17.5	NICKLICH Frank T	7	GRYFINSKI Michael J	3	GILIBERTO Frank (1)	1
MARKOVIC Arandel	17.5	MININ Serge (1)	7	KECOJEVIC Novica	3	GORDON Ross S (2)	1
PRIJIC Abdulah	17.5	PARSONS Robert G	7	KELLY James R	3	JONES Patrick	1
SAX Robert D	17.5	RASO Paul	7	KEMPNER Chips	3	KAPLAN William (2)	1
AKHMETOV Artem	17	REDDIVARI Dushyanth	7	KINNAIRD Rodney (1)	3	KENNEL Earl L	1
LEALI Michael E	17	SPLINTER Joseph (1)	7	LAHR H Fred	3	KONTOROVICH Ilya (1)	1
RIDDLE Robert	16	VENUSO Michael A	7	LECHNICK William	3	LA FORGE Chris (1)	1
COLLINS Brett	15.5	NYBERG Darwin V	6.5	LEWIS Richard	3	LA FORGE Wayne (1)	1
PADILLA Rudy R	15.5	BAUMANN Herbert A	6	LORING Steven W	3	LEDDINGTON Jason (2)	1
GOLOVEY Tamara (1)	15	CUMMINGS Michael	6	MC CORMICK Andy	3	LEWIS Otis Jr	1
MAROVITCH Mark	15	FORD Samuel M	6	PETROVIC Bill (2)	3	LOPES William M (1)	1
SATTERLEE Ray Doyle	15	HART Vincent J	6	RAMOS Fabian	3	MAZLOOMIAN Roda	1
SOLLANO Ely O	14.5	HOMON Clint I (2)	6	TROYER Carl R (1)	3	MC DANIEL Anthon (1)	1
LUNG Richard	14.2	KLINK Steven L	6	WARD Christopher B	3	MENDENHALL Ryan (2)	1
INUMERABLE Florentin	14	LUTZKE Ricky W	6	BAUMGARTNER Chris	2.5	METZ Veronica	1
LAZEBNIK Yakov	14	PULLIN Matthew (2)	6	BURKE Aaron C (1)	2.5	MILOSEVIC Goran	1
SHELLHAMER Ted C	14	RAMAMOORTHY Shankar	6	CUMMINS Edward T (1)	2.5	OHLES Frederik (2)	1
STEVANOVIC Miodir	14	RHONEY Shawn M	6	GONZALES Anthony (1)	2.5	PAPOUTSIS Joey (1)	1
BLACKMAN William	13.5	ROBLEDO Mark Sr (2)	6	KALBERG Gary L (1)	2.5	REED Boyd M (2)	1
MONATELLI David	13	ROWLAND Todd W (2)	6	MONEY David (2)	2.5	RENZE John (2)	1
SANTANA Miguel An	13	STEVENS Joseph M	6	BANNON Joseph (1)	2	SLOAN Ron	1
BURNETT James	12.5	WAGNER Steven J (1)	6	COVIC Zlatan (1)	2	SMITH William M	1
BONDAR Leonid	12	OHLHAUSEN David B	5.5	DUFFY James W	2	STAR Jonathan	1
FRISKE Thomas G (2)	12	ANDERSON Phil (2)	5	FISHMAN Isak N	2	VAN PETTEN Curti (2)	1
NAYLOR Samuel (2)	12	BRASWELL Isaac M (2)	5	FLANAGAN Richard (2)	2	WILSON Brian R (1)	1
REA Andrew B (1)	12	CUNNINGHAM Robert E	5	FORD Justin M (1)	2	DWYER Bill (1)	0.5
SHOCKLEY Robert	12	DICKEY Douglas	5	GETZ Barney	2	GAPUZ Wilfredo C	0.5
WATTS Bradley (2)	12	GIERTZ Charles E	5	GLYNN Nathan (1)	2	NEWSOME Cleo (1)	0.5
LEUNG Daniel Y	11.5	HENDERSON Scot L (1)	5	GROEGER Andrew	2	WONG Kevin D (1)	0.5

Expert Tour Points:							
COHEN Lawrence S	97	CONDON James K	11.5	PORTER John	(1) 6	LEWIS Richard	3
ILIC Stanimir M	60	FORD Samuel M	11.5	PULLIN Matthew	(2) 6	LORING Steven W	3
NGUYEN Tam Ducmin	57	LEUNG Daniel Y	11.5	ROBLEDO Mark Sr	(2) 6	OHLES Frederik	(2) 3
BROCK William	51.5	ALLISON Roger D	11	STEVENS Joseph M	6	PETROVIC Bill	(2) 3
ZINYTCH Miron	49.5	DOMA Vinay R	(2) 11	SUAREZ Ronald J	(2) 6	REBOLLEDO Enriqu	(2) 3
MARSHALL James A	6.5	DUNCAN Jason	11	WAGNER Steven J	(1) 6	TROYER Carl R	(1) 3
GORLIN Gennadiy	44	DUPUIS Brian M	11	BROWN Tony D	5.5	WARD Christopher B	3
LONCAREVIC Robert	42	LUNG Jonathan	10.3	DOEKER John T	5.5	BAUMGARTNER Chris	2.5
ARAMIL William J	41.5	AILES Tim S	10	GATICA Jose	(2) 5.5	BURKE Aaron C	(1) 2.5
SCOTT Gene G	41	BOURGERIE Dennis	10	OHLSHAUSEN David B	5.5	COCKRELL Robert	(1) 2.5
AARON Michael E	37	CYGAN Joseph	10	WEBB James W	5.5	CUMMINS Edward T	(1) 2.5
SMYTHE Bill	31.5	GASUNAS Anthony C	10	ZIMMERLE R Wayne	5.5	GONZALES Anthony	(1) 2.5
AROND Dean	30.5	KARAGIANIS Pete D	10	BRASWELL Isaac M	(2) 5	KALBERG Gary L	(1) 2.5
GREGORY Jamie	30	KELLY James R	10	DICKEY Douglas	5	MONEY David	(2) 2.5
RIDDELL Joshua S	30	MUSSELMAN Charles	10	HENDERSON Scot L	(1) 5	PANNER Glenn	(1) 2.5
GORLIN Andrey	28.5	NORDAHL David	10	HUANG Winston	5	VOSS Andy S	2.5
GORLIN Yelena	28	PEREGOY Patrick	10	LOPEZ Eugene C	5	BANNON Joseph	(1) 2
KARKLINS Erik	27	ROWLAND Todd W	(2) 10	PETTYE Isaiah	5	BENNETT Jerry	(1) 2
SAX Robert D	26.5	WARREN James E	10	READ Rhys	(1) 5	BOGUE Nathan	(1) 2
LONG David	25.5	ZAZOVSKIY Valorik	9.8	RICHMOND M Barrie	5	BUKY John	(1) 2
COVIC Mehmed	25	FAGAN James B	9.5	SCHWARTZ Anthony J	5	CARROLL Sean	2
INUMERABLE Florentin	25	BOSCH Yahshua	9.5	SPIROS George N	5	DIAMOND William F	2
LEALI Michael E	25	MC CORMICK Andy	9.5	ALBRITTON Kyle D	4.5	DUFFY James W	2
ENGELN Mark	24	OCHILTREE Joseph	9.5	FISHMAN Joseph	4.5	FISHMAN Isak N	2
BENESA Arnulfo	23.5	CHUA Johnson	9	HITE Darrell D	4.5	FLANAGAN Richard	(2) 2
MODES Daniel R	22.5	CUNNINGHAM Robert E	9	KASSIN David	4.5	FORD Justin M	(1) 2
SEIBEL Dennis	22.5	DODSON Kermit	9	SCHMIDT Scott	4.5	GROEGER Andrew	2
WITEK Gregory A	21.3	REDDIVARI Dushyanth	9	ROGERS Nathaniel	4.2	GRUENBERG Fred	(1) 2
GAST Bryan	21	COHEN Howard	8.5	ACHELPOHL Jon M	4	HADAR Ron	(1) 2
HUANG Kenneth	21	LOPEZ Philip	8.5	ALBERTS Walter A	4	HERNANDEZ Hector R	2
STEVANOVIC Miodir	21	SUPRON Denis	8.3	BACKSTROM Orn U	(2) 4	JACKSON Gregory	2
NIENART Christopher	20.7	BEAUBAN Brian	8	BECKWITH Stan L	(1) 4	JOSEPH Louis C	(1) 2
ASHUEV Yuri	(1) 20	FLORES Joshua	8	BOGAN Timothy J	(1) 4	KAWANO John	(2) 2
MILES Kyle	20	GIANNOKOPOULOS Dimit	8	BUNGO D Gregory	(2) 4	KIM David E	(2) 2
CAVITT Dexter	19	GRATZ Glen E	(1) 8	BUTTNY William P	(2) 4	KNOEDLER Thomas	(1) 2
HUBBARD Andrew	19	HIERONYMUS April	8	CARROLL Charles	(1) 4	LANG Tristan J	2
MAFF William A	19	PAGAN Victor R	(1) 8	FITZGERALD Marta	(1) 4	MEILICKE Charles	(1) 2
RODRIGUEZ Jose A Jr	18	STAPLES Carl	8	GUO Shao-Yun	(1) 4	MISHLOVE David	(1) 2
MARKOVIC Arandel	17.5	SMITH Orlan B	7.8	HAMMOTHE Brandon	(2) 4	MOORE Glenn	(2) 2
PRIJIC Abdulah	17.5	BARTON William J	(1) 7.5	HENDERSON S E	(1) 4	MOORE Rod	(2) 2
AKHMETOV Artem	17	DUPUIS Erik G	7.5	HOEFMAN Paul	(1) 4	NEESE Brian A	(2) 2
BONDAR Leonid	17	FRANEK Martin J	(1) 7.5	HUANG Vincent Tsa	4	NUNEZ Robb	(1) 2
MONATELLI David	17	GARWOOD Brian A	7.5	KITTSLEY Scott L	4	POTTS Kevin J	(2) 2
BLACKMAN William	16	MERLI Christophe	(1) 7.5	KOPULA Suryaprak	(2) 4	ROSE Alan J	(2) 2
LAZEBNIK Yakov	16	PEKOVIC Jusuf	7.5	LERNER Gabriel	4	SAHS James W	2
RIDDLE Robert	16	CASE Rick	7	MILLER David A	(1) 4	SHANLEY William	2
SANTANA Miguel An	16	FRENCH J Kevin	(1) 7	MURPHY Jones M	(1) 4	STEWART Richard	(1) 2
WATTS Bradley	(2) 16	GAZMEN Ethelbert	(2) 7	PAINTER Jameson R	4	STOLTZ Robert M	2
CHAMBERS Adam D	15.5	GIERTZ Charles E	7	PENNY Kevin L	(2) 4	STUMM Jurgen	2
COLLINS Brett	15.5	GORDON Wallace J	(1) 7	SOMERVILLE Jeff	(1) 4	THOMPSON Cedric	(2) 2
PADILLA Rudy R	15.5	JASAREVIC Ersan	(1) 7	STEWART Scott M	(1) 4	TOMANEK Ray	(1) 2
MAROVITCH Mark	15	MICKLICH Frank T	7	VIGANTS Albert	(1) 4	WEBER T V	(1) 2
SATTERLEE Ray Doyle	15	MININ Serge	(1) 7	WAKERLY Ralph T	(1) 4	WILDMAN Eric	(1) 2
BURNETT James	14.5	PARSONS Robert G	7	WILLIS Daniel	(2) 4	WILHELM John H	2
MOSES Greg S	14.5	RAMOS Fabian	7	HURCHALLA David	(1) 3.8	WOLF William P	(1) 2
SOLLANO Ely O	14.5	SPLINTER Joseph	(1) 7	ACHELPOHL Scott A	3.5	BARKER Gary F	1.5
LUNG Richard	14.2	VENUSO Michael A	7	BODZIONY Piotr	3.5	BARTHEL Clark	(2) 1.5
DAVIS Jeffrey E	(1) 14	WILLIAMS Brian	(1) 7	CHEN Byron	3.5	BUCIOR Sylvester	(2) 1.5
SHELLHAMER Ted C	14	KENNEL Earl L	6.5	IBANEZ Jonathan	(2) 3.5	CIMA Joe	(1) 1.5
RAMAMOORTHY Shankar	3.5	LEALI Matthew	(2) 6.5	LOBRACO Michael J	3.5	HORNOR Richard R	1.5
ILIC Lazar S	13	NYBERG Darwin V	6.5	MAZLOOMIAN Noda	3.5	LAMONICA Pete	(1) 1.5
KLEBAN Yuliy	(2) 13	STOTLER Richard E	6.5	O'BRIEN Matthew	(2) 3.5	MC NAMARA James	(1) 1.5
RASO Paul	13	BAUMANN Herbert A	6	CHODAK David N	3	SHANKAR Krishna	(2) 1.5
ANDERSON Phil	(2) 12.5	CUMMINGS Michael	6	DELA MORA Salvador	3	SMITH Harry A	(2) 1.5
CHEN Aaron	(1) 12	ENRIQUEZ Clodie	(1) 6	DUNCAN Thomas	3	SPITZIG Mark	(1) 1.5
FRISKE Thomas G	(2) 12	GETZ Barney	6	GRYFINSKI Michael J	3	SUMMERHAYS David	1.5
NAYLOR Samuel	(2) 12	HART Vincent J	6	HALE Bob Lloyd	(2) 3	WASHINGTON Ronal	(2) 1.5
REA Andrew B	(1) 12	HOMON Clint I	(2) 6	KEMPNER Chips	3	WISHNER Michael	1.5
SHOCKLEY Robert	12	JAKSTAS Kazimier	(1) 6	KINNAIRD Rodney	(1) 3	CONNELLY Alexand	(1) 1
		KLINK Steven L	6	LAHR H Fred	3	CONNELLY Patrice	(1) 1
		LOTZKE Ricky W	6	LECHNICK William	3	CONTE Michael	(1) 1

POTTS Kevin J	(2)	2	LEUNG Daniel Y	43.5	DUEKER John T	13.5	MEHTA Devang	(1)	7		
ROSE Alan J	(2)	2	LUNG Richard	40.2	DUPOUIS Brian M	13	WICKLICH Frank T		7		
SAHS James W		2	HUBBARD Andrew	36	RASO Paul	13	PAPPAS George J	(2)	7		
SHANLEY William		2	CYGAN Joseph	35	SCHMAIGER Anthony J	13	PARNABY Mark	(1)	7		
STEWART Richard	(1)	2	PARSONS Robert G	32	WARD Christopher B	13	SMITH Jason L	(1)	7		
STOLTZ Robert M		2	LONCAREVIC Robert	31	BARTHEL Jim	(1)	12	SOSSI Michael	(2)	7	
STUMM Jurgen		2	HART Vincent J	30	CUMMINGS Michael	12	VONDRUSKA Richar	(2)	7		
TOMANEK Ray	(1)	2	RASMUSSEN Robert	(2)	30	DUFFY James W	12	WIDING Daniel R		7	
WEBER T V	(1)	2	HOSCH Yahshua	29.5	GRANT Dennis S	(2)	12	KENNEL Earl L		6.5	
WILDMAN Eric	(1)	2	SHOCKLEY Robert	29	SOMMERS David A	(1)	12	LEALI Matthew	(2)	6.5	
WILHELM John H		2	PADILLA Rudy R	28.5	BODZIONY Piotr	11.5	NYBERG Darwin V		6.5		
WOLF William F	(1)	2	WITEK Gregory A	28.3	BUCIOR Sylvester	(2)	11.5	STOTLER Richard E		6.5	
BARKER Gary F		1.5	JAHEDI Salar	(2)	28	BROWNER Benjamin	11	WISHNER Michael		6.5	
BARTHEL Clark	(2)	1.5	PAINTER Jameson R	28	DOMA Vinay R	(2)	11	BLOCK Joe	(2)	6	
BUCIOR Sylvester	(2)	1.5	SEIBEL Dennis	27.5	LECHNICK William	11	BURTON Ward C	(1)	6		
CIMA Joe	(1)	1.5	NIENART Christopher	26.7	LOPEZ Eugene C	11	DIAMOND William F		6		
HORNOR Richard R		1.5	ALLISON Roger D	26	NAPOLI Mike	(2)	11	FERGUSON James R		6	
LAMONICA Pete	(1)	1.5	PULLIN Matthew	(2)	26	NAPOLI Steven	(2)	11	FREIDEL Jeremiah	(1)	6
MC NAMARA James	(1)	1.5	AROND Dean	25.5	BONWELL Jonathan	(1)	10	HOMON Clint I	(2)	6	
SHANKAR Krishna	(2)	1.5	CHAMBERS Adam D	25.5	BOONE Foster	(2)	10	KRASNOPOLSKIY Ge	(1)	6	
SPITZIG Mark	(1)	1.5	RAMOS Fabian	25	DAVID George F	(1)	10	LAWRENCE Danyul	(2)	6	
SUMMERHAYS David		1.5	SHELLHAMER Ted C	25	DICKEY Douglas	10	LEVINE Gary T		6		
WISHNER Michael		1.5	ARAMIL William J	24.5	FAMBRO Paul	(2)	10	LIN Der-Long	(2)	6	
BUTLER Edward M	(1)	1	STEVENS Joseph M	24	HAYES Christophe	(1)	10	ROSTROM C Richar	(1)	6	
CONNELLY Alexand	(1)	1	STAPLES Carl	23	KELLY James R	10	SKLEBA Thomas J	(1)	6		
CONNELLY Patrice	(1)	1	BURNETT James	22.5	KLINK Steven L	10	STOLTZ Robert M		6		
CONTE Michael	(1)	1	GIERTZ Charles E	22	LANGER David P	(2)	10	STURGEON Victor	(1)	6	
COOLEY Robert D	(1)	1	SAHS James W	22	MORAN Philip D	10	SUAREZ Ronald J	(2)	6		
DIVINSKY Gregory	(1)	1	ALBERTS Walter A	21	NAPOLI Carmelo	(1)	10	SUMMERHAYS John	(1)	6	
DRENDEL Tyler	(2)	1	ZAZOVSKIY Vilorik	21	QUIRK Michael	(1)	10	SWINDELL Frankie	(2)	6	
DUFFY Dave	(1)	1	GASIECKI Alan F	20	ROBLEDO Mark Sr	(2)	10	TEMPLE Randall J	(1)	6	
FLYNN Andrew S	(1)	1	MILES Kyle	20	WALKER Charles L	(2)	10	UNTERMYER Abraha	(1)	6	
FOX Brian		1	MC CORMICK Andy	19.5	CHEN Byron	9.5	WIDING Robert		6		
GILBERTO Frank	(1)	1	RAMANCOORTHY Shanr	19.5	OCHILTREE Joseph	9.5	BARTHEL Clark	(2)	5.5		
GORDON Ross S	(2)	1	GASUNAS Anthony C	19	OHLHAUSEN David B	9.5	BROWN Tony D		5.5		
JONES Patrick		1	GIANNOKOPOULOS Dimit	19	WEBB James W	9.5	ZIMMERLE R Wayne		5.5		
KAPLAN William	(2)	1	MAYE Erik R	(2)	19	BACKSTROM Orn U	(2)	9	ABRAMS Scott	(2)	5
KECOJEVIC Novica		1	MC CLURE Seth	(1)	19	CUNNINGHAM Robert E	9	BAIRD Douglas	(2)	5	
LA FORGE Chris	(1)	1	ILIC Lazar S	18	DODSON Kermit	9	BEGY Ryan	(1)	5		
LA FORGE Wayne	(1)	1	LEONG Gee Y	(2)	18	JONES Byron E	(2)	9	BENFORADO Ed	(2)	5
LEWIS Otis Jr		1	PEREGOY Patrick	18	JONES Patrick	9	BIELSKI William	(1)	5		
LITTLE Jonathan	(1)	1	GAPUZ Wilfredo C	17.5	FISHMAN Joseph	8.5	BRASWELL Isaac M	(2)	5		
LITTLE William L	(2)	1	LOBRACO Michael J	17.5	SUPRUN Denis	8.3	CHAVIANO Alex	(1)	5		
MALCOMB Freddie	(1)	1	PRIJIC Abdulah	17.5	BEAUBAN Brian	8	CHURCHILL Walter	(1)	5		
MC DANIEL Anthon	(1)	1	AILES Tim S	17	DELA CERDA Gabri	(1)	8	CLARK Wayne D	(1)	5	
MECHEM Paul	(1)	1	BOURGERIE Deonis	17	DIKOPF Mark	(1)	8	CUBACUB Arturo	(2)	5	
MENDENHALL Ryan	(2)	1	HIERONYMUS April	17	ELLICE H Wayne	(1)	8	DUPPEE Arthur B		5	
METZ Veronica		1	LEWNER Gabriel	17	FREIDEL Jesse	(1)	8	ECK Frederick A	(1)	5	
MILAN Josh W	(1)	1	LUTZKE Ricky W	17	FREIDEL Paul	(1)	8	GORELICK Lorne B	(1)	5	
MILOSEVIC Goran		1	BAUMGARTNER Chris	16.5	JACKSON Gregory	8	GORODETSKIY Stev	(2)	5		
NASSERY Kevin A	(1)	1	LOPEZ Philip	16.5	KUNG Harold	(1)	8	GRIESMEYER Walte	(1)	5	
PAPOTSIS Joey	(1)	1	SUMMERHAYS David	16.5	LANG Tristan J	8	GUERRA Stephen	(1)	5		
RENZE John	(2)	1	BAUMANN Herbert A	16	LEWIS Richard	8	HAYES Mike	(1)	5		
SCHULTE Bill	(1)	1	BLACKMAN William	16	MATTHEWS Jerry	(1)	8	HENDERSON Dale	(2)	5	
SLOAN Ron		1	MUSSELMAN Charles	16	MORAN Wesley	8	KOPINSKI Mike	(2)	5		
SMITH William M		1	OKUNEVICH Matthew	16	PHELPS Douglas	8	LIWAT Lowell K	(1)	5		
STAR Jonathan		1	VENUSO Michael A	16	SEFCHECK Mark M	(1)	8	PETTYE Isaiah		5	
VAN PATTEN Curti	(2)	1	COLLINS Brett	15.5	SHANLEY William	8	SLOAN Ron		5		
WHEELER William	(1)	1	DUPOUIS Erik G	15.5	STAR Jonathan	8	SPIROS George N		5		
WILSON Brian R	(1)	1	SCHMIDT Scott	15.5	SZAFRAN Martin	(1)	8	STAPLETON Joshua	(1)	5	
DWYER Bill	(1)	0.5	LUNG Jonathan	15.3	TRAGER Geoffrey	(2)	8	TERBELL William	(1)	5	
GAPUZ Wilfredo C		0.5	HUANG Winston	15	WALLENBERG Ben	(1)	8	VARGAS Angel	(2)	5	
INNIS Peter Jose	(1)	0.5	JOHNSON Eric L	(2)	15	WROWSKI Edmond	8	WARREN Helen	(1)	5	
NEWSOME Cleo	(1)	0.5	MOSES Greg S	14.5	SMITH Orlan B	7.8	WHITE James M	(2)	5		
WONG Kevin D	(1)	0.5	PEROVIC Jusuf	14.5	BARTON William J	(1)	7.5	ALBRITTON Kyle D		4.5	
			DAVIS Jeffrey E	(1)	14	BURBON Javier	(1)	7	HITE Darrell D		4.5
			DELAY Joseph	14	DE PERALTA Artur	(1)	7	RASSIN David		4.5	
			GROEGER Andrew	14	DELA MORA Salvador	7	ROGERS Nathaniel		4.2		
			KARAGIANIS Pete D	14	GORODETSKIY Eugene	7	ACHELPOHL Jon M		4		
			KITTSLEY Scott L	14	LEVY Adam B	(1)	7	BARCLAY Kayin	(1)	4	
			NAPOLI Anthony	(2)	14	LEWIS Otis Jr	7	BECKWITH Stan L	(1)	4	
Class B Tour Points:											
FLORES Joshua		66									
ENGELEN Mark		50									
DUNCAN Jason		47									
RODRIGUEZ Jose A Jr		46									

BOYD Joseph C	(2)	4	KNOEDLER Thomas	(1)	2	PADILLA Rudy R	52.5	NAPOLI Steven	(2)	11
CARROLL Charles	(1)	4	LESKO Phil	(1)	2	ENGELEN Mark	52	VONDRUSKA Richar	(2)	11
FITZGERALD Marti	(1)	4	LOSTER Sean	(1)	2	SHELLHAMER Ted C	44	ROGERS Nathaniel	10.2	
FREIDEL Dennis	(1)	4	MC ANULTY Mac		2	SHOCKLEY Robert	44	BOONE Foster	(2)	10
GILRUTH Bruce	(2)	4	MEILICKE Charles	(1)	2	COLLINS Brett	43.5	COLLINS Chuck	(1)	10
GORODETSKIY Alex	(1)	4	MTSHLOVE David	(1)	2	LUNG Richard	40.2	FAMBRO Paul	(2)	10
GUO Shao-Yun	(1)	4	MOORE Glenn	(2)	2	MILOSEVIC Goran	38	FERGUSON James R		10
HAMMOTHE Brandon	(2)	4	MOORE Rod	(2)	2	CYGAN Joseph	37	KELLY James R		10
HEIVILIN Jay	(1)	4	NEESE Brian A	(2)	2	CHAMBERS Adam D	33.5	KLINK Steven L		10
HENDERSON S E	(1)	4	NUNEZ Robb	(1)	2	RODRIGUEZ Jose A Jr	33	LANGER David F	(2)	10
HOFFMAN Paul	(1)	4	POTTS Kevin J	(2)	2	KITTSLEY Scott L	32	MC CRIMON Carlos	(1)	10
HUANG Vincent Tsa		4	REDDIVARI Dushyanth		2	LEVINE Gary T	32	WRONSKI Edmond		10
KOPULA Suryaprak	(2)	4	ROSE Alan J	(2)	2	NIENART Christopher	31.7	CHEN Byron		9.5
LAU Alvin C	(1)	4	STEWART Richard	(1)	2	LOBRACO Michael J	31.5	OCHILTREE Joseph		9.5
MILLER David A	(1)	4	STRUC Brian	(1)	2	HOSCH Yahshua	29.5	OHLHAUSEN David B		9.5
MUELLER Edward B	(1)	4	STUMM Jurgen		2	BOLTON John L	(1) 28	CUNNINGHAM Robert E		9
PENNY Kevin L	(2)	4	TOMANEK Ray	(1)	2	GASIECKI Alan F	28	DOOSON Kermit		9
SETHI Rishi	(2)	4	VONSTEIN Michael	(1)	2	MILES Kyle	26	JONES Patrick		9
SOMERVILLE Jeff	(1)	4	WANG Zheng	(1)	2	SUMMERHAYS David	25.5	MENDENHALL Ryan	(2)	9
STEWART Scott M	(1)	4	WEBER T V	(1)	2	BROWNER Benjamin	25	MONKOWSKI John J	(1)	9
SWINDELL Jacquiel	(2)	4	WILDMAN Eric	(1)	2	RAMOS Fabian	25	ROVENSKIY Vitali	(2)	9
TOWNSEND Amelia	(1)	4	WILHELM John H		2	SAHS James W	25	SCHUMACHER Carl	(1)	9
VIGANTS Albert	(1)	4	BARKER Gary F		1.5	DUPUIS Erik G	23.5	SOSSI Michael	(2)	9
WAKERLY Ralph T	(1)	4	HORNOR Richard R		1.5	STAPLES Carl	23	FISHMAN Joseph		8.5
WILLIS Daniel	(2)	4	LAMONICA Pete	(1)	1.5	SUPRUN Denis	22.3	BEAUBAN Brian		8
ACHELPOHL Scott A	3.5		MC NAMARA James	(1)	1.5	SMITH Orlan B	21.8	DIKOPF Mark	(1)	8
IBANEZ Jonathan	(2)	3.5	SHANKAR Krishna	(2)	1.5	RAMAMOORTHY Shanr	21.5	FREIDEL Jesse	(1)	8
MAZLOOMIAN Hoda	3.5		SPITZIG Mark	(1)	1.5	SCHMIDT Scott	21.5	FREIDEL Paul	(1)	8
O'BRIEN Matthew	(2)	3.5	BRANDT Elliot	(1)	1	GASUNAS Anthony C	21	HOMON Clint I	(2)	8
SMITH Harry A	(2)	3.5	BUTLER Edward M	(1)	1	HIERONYMUS April	21	HUBBARD Andrew		8
CHODAK David N		3	CONNELLY Alexand	(1)	1	MORAN Philip D	21	JACKSON Gregory		8
DE MASTRI John	(1)	3	CONNELLY Patrice	(1)	1	ILIC Lazar S	20	KLAHN Matthew S	(1)	8
DUNCAN Thomas		3	CONTE Michael	(1)	1	HUANG Wanston	19	KUNG Harold	(1)	8
ECKARDT Robbie	(1)	3	COOLEY Robert D	(1)	1	MAYE Erik R	(2) 19	LANG Tristan J		8
GORDON Ross S	(2)	3	DIVINSKY Gregory	(1)	1	MC CLURE Seth	(1) 19	LEWIS Richard		8
GRYFINSKI Michael J		3	DRENDEL Tyler	(2)	1	BLACKMAN William	18	MATUSZCZYK Ryszra	(1)	8
HALE Bob Lloyd	(2)	3	DOFFY Dave	(1)	1	PRIJIC Abdullah	17.5	MOORE Glenn	(2)	8
KASIURAK Zach	(2)	3	FLYNN Andrew S	(1)	1	AILES Tim S	17	MORAN Wesley		8
KEMPNER Chips		3	FOX Brian		1	LENER Gabriel	17	PHELPS Douglas		8
MARRON Thomas	(1)	3	FRANKEL Eitan S		1	BAUMGARTNER Chris	16.5	SHANLEY William		8
MEISTER Mark		3	GILBERTO Frank	(1)	1	BODZIONY Piotr	16.5	STAR Jonathan		8
OHLES Frederick	(2)	3	KAPLAN William	(2)	1	LOPEZ Philip	16.5	TRAGER Geoffrey	(2)	8
PETROVIC Bill	(2)	3	KECOJEVIC Novica		1	MICKLICH Frank T	16	WALLENBERG Ben	(1)	8
REBOLLEDO Enrique	(2)	3	LA FORGE Chris	(1)	1	OKUNEVICH Matthew	16	WILHELM John H		8
TROYER Carl R	(1)	3	LA FORGE Wayne	(1)	1	VENUSO Michael A	16	ABRAHAM Thomas C	(1)	7
BURKE Aaron C	(1)	2.5	LITTLE Jonathan	(2)	1	LUNG Jonathan	15.3	BROWN Raimondo	(1)	7
COCKRELL Robert	(1)	2.5	LITTLE William L	(2)	1	KUEKER Joshua S	(1) 15	BURBON Javier	(1)	7
CUMMINS Edward T	(1)	2.5	MALCOMBE Freddie	(1)	1	LEWIS Otis Jr	15	DELA MORA Salvador		7
GATICA Jose	(2)	2.5	MC DANIEL Anthon	(1)	1	MOSES Greg S	14.5	LEVY Adam B	(1)	7
GONZALES Anthony	(1)	2.5	MENDENHALL Ryan	(2)	1	NYBERG Darwin V	14.5	MEHTA Devang	(1)	7
KALBERG Gary L	(1)	2.5	METZ Veronica		1	PEKOVIC Jusuf	14.5	PAPPAS George J	(2)	7
VOSS Andy S		2.5	MILAN Josh W	(1)	1	EDEUS Dan W	(1) 14	WALLACE Mark D	(1)	7
BANNON Joseph	(1)	2	MILOSEVIC Goran		1	KARAGIANIS Pete D	14	KENNELL Earl L		6.5
BENNETT Jerry	(1)	2	NASSERY Kevin A	(1)	1	NAPOLI Anthony	(2) 14	LEALI Matthew	(2)	6.5
BERMAN Mark E	(1)	2	PAPOUTSIS Joey	(1)	1	ROSE Alan J	(2) 14	STOTLER Richard E		6.5
BILOW Michael	(1)	2	RENZE John	(2)	1	DUEKER John T	13.5	WISHNER Michael		6.5
BOGUE Nathan	(1)	2	SCHULTE Bill	(1)	1	WEBB James W	13.5	BEACH Zachary J	(2)	6
CARROLL Sean		2	SMITH William M		1	DICKEY Douglas	13	BISHOP Jack	(1)	6
DOLL Matt	(1)	2	VAN PETTEN Curti	(2)	1	DUPUIS Brian M	13	BLOCK Joe	(2)	6
DONNA Daniel A	(1)	2	WHEELER William	(1)	1	GORODETSKIY Eugene	13	BONOWI David H	(1)	6
FISCHER Gregory	(1)	2	WILSON Brian R	(1)	1	WARD Christopher B	13	DIAMOND William F		6
FISHMAN Isak N		2	DWYER Bill	(1) 0.5		WIDING Daniel R	13	FREIDEL Jeremiah	(1)	6
FLANAGAN Richard	(2)	2	TNNIS Peter Jose	(1) 0.5		CUMMINGS Michael	12	KEMPNER Chips		6
FORD Justin M	(1)	2	NEWSOME Cleo	(1) 0.5		GRANT Dennis S	(2) 12	KRASNOPOLSKIY Ge	(1)	6
GENCHANOK Yefim	(1)	2	WONG Kevin D	(1)	0.5	MUSSELMAN Charles	12	LAWRENCE Danyul	(2)	6
GETZ Barney		2				PEREGOY Patrick	12	LIN Der-Long	(2)	6
GRUENBERG Fred	(1)	2	Class C Tour Points:			SOMMERS David A	(1) 12	MATTHEWS Dennis	(1)	6
HUDSON Benjamin	(2)	2	BURNETT James		\$1.5	WIDING Robert	12	ROSTROM C Richar	(1)	6
JOHNSON Rob	(1)	2	SEIBEL Dennis		55.5	MC CORMICK Andy	11.5	SUAREZ Ronald J	(2)	6
JOSEPH Louis C	(1)	2	WITEK Gregory A		53.3	LOPEZ Eugene C	11	SUMMERHAYS John	(1)	6
KIM David E	(2)	2	GIERTZ Charles E		53	NAPOLI Mike	(2) 11	SWINDELL Frankie	(2)	6

BROWN Tony D	5.5	HALE Bob Lloyd	{2} 3	LITTLE Jonathan	{1} 1	GORODETSKIY Stev	{2} 14
ZIMMERLE R Wayne	5.5	JOSEPH Bennett	{1} 3	LITTLE William L	{2} 1	HENDRICKSON Will	{1} 14
ABRAMS Scott	{2} 5	KASJURAK Zach	{2} 3	MALCOMME Freddie	{1} 1	WHITE James M	{2} 14
BACKSTROM Orn U	{2} 5	MARRON Thomas	{1} 3	MC DANIEL Anthcn	{1} 1	CARROLL Sean	13
BAIRD Douglas	{2} 5	MEISTER Mark	3	METZ Veronica	1	BROWN Tony D	12.5
BEGY Ryan	{1} 5	OHLES Frederik	{2} 3	MILAN Josh W	{1} 1	BOYD Joseph C	{2} 12
BENFORADO Ed	{2} 5	REBOLLEDO Enriquo	{2} 3	NASSERY Kevin A	{1} 1	KOPINSKI Mike	{2} 12
BIELSKI William	{1} 5	SOMASUNDARAM Vig	{1} 3	PAPOOTSIIS Joey	{1} 1	MAYE Erik R	{2} 12
CHAVIANO Alex	{1} 5	TROYER Carl R	{1} 3	SCHULTE Bill	{1} 1	MILES Kyle	12
CUBACUB Arturo	{2} 5	ZOELLNER John W	{1} 2	SMITH William M	1	SOMMERS David A	{1} 12
DUPEE Arthur B	5	BURKE Aaron C	{1} 2.5	VAN PETTEN Curti	{2} 1	BLACKMAN William	11.5
ECK Frederick A	{1} 5	COCKRELL Robert	{1} 2.5	WHEELER William	{1} 1	FISHMAN Joseph	11.5
GORELICK Lorne B	{1} 5	CUMMINS Edward T	{1} 2.5	WILSON Brian R	{1} 1	HORNOR Richard R	11.5
GORODETSKIY Stev	{2} 5	GONZALES Anthony	{1} 2.5	DWYER Bill	{1} 0.5	SPIROS George N	11
GRIESMEYER Walte	{1} 5	KALBERG Gary L	{1} 2.5	NEWSOME Cleo	{1} 0.5	ALBRITTON Kyle D	10.5
HAYES Mike	{1} 5	VOSS Andy S	2.5	WONG Kevin D	{1} 0.5	CUBACUB Arturo	{2} 10
HENDERSON Dale	{2} 5	BANNON Joseph	{1} 2			ENG Allen	{2} 10
KOPINSKI Mike	{2} 5	BENNETT Jerry	{1} 2	Class D Tour Points:		FERGUSON James R	10
MC ANULTY Mac	5	BERMAN Mark E	{1} 2	NIENART Christopher	65.7	JOHNSEN Aleck C	{1} 10
PERKINS Michael	{1} 5	BILOW Michael	{1} 2	LOPEZ Phalip	47.5	KELLY James R	10
PETTYE Isaiah	5	BOGUE Nathan	{1} 2	KLINK Steven L	44	LAWRENCE Danyul	{2} 10
POTRATZ Bruce Wi	{2} 5	CARROLL Sean	2	MORAN Phillip D	43	PENA Andy G	10
RENZE John	{2} 5	DOLL Matt	{1} 2	PEKOVIC Jusuf	40.5	PHELPS Douglas	10
SLOAN Ron	5	DONNA Daniel A	{1} 2	WRONSKI Edmond	40	SUMMERHAYS Danie	{1} 10
SPIROS George N	5	FISHMAN Isak N	2	MORAN Wesley	35	YARNOFF Benjamin	{1} 10
STAPLETON Joshua	{1} 5	FLANAGAN Richard	{2} 2	DELA MORA Salvador	33	CHEN Byron	9.5
TERBELL William	{1} 5	FORD Justin M	{1} 2	HIERONYMUS April	33	KASSIN David	9.5
TURNER Keith	{2} 5	GRUENBERG Fred	{1} 2	ILIC Lazar S	33	OCHILTREE Joseph	9.5
VARGAS Angel	{2} 5	HOBSON Nathaniel	{1} 2	DOGGETT Thomas	{1} 32	BOYD Jeff S	{1} 9
WARREN Helen	{1} 5	HUDSON Benjamin	{2} 2	LEVINE Gary T	32	CRIDLAND Graham	{1} 9
WHITE James M	{2} 5	JOHNSON Rob	{1} 2	GASUNAS Anthony C	31	DAVIS Jacob H	{2} 9
ALBRITTON Kyle D	4.5	JOSEPH Louis C	{1} 2	LUNG Jonathan	28.3	DIXON Jeff S	{1} 9
HITE Darrell D	4.5	JURGENSEN Alan	{2} 2	CHAMBERS Adam D	27.5	FAKTOROVICH Yuri	{1} 9
HORNOR Richard R	4.5	JURGENSEN Walter	{1} 2	DUPUIS Erik G	26.5	JONES Patrick	9
KASSIN David	4.5	KIM David E	{2} 2	BRONNER Benjamin	25	MENDENHALL Josep	{2} 9
ACHELPOHL Jon M	4	LESKO Phil	{1} 2	LEWIS Otis Jr	25	MENDENHALL Ryan	{2} 9
BARCLAY Kayin	{1} 4	LUSTER Sean	{1} 2	SEIBEL Dennis	25	SOSSI Michael	{2} 9
BOYD Joseph C	{2} 4	MELICKE Charles	{1} 2	WISNER Michael	24.5	BUKOWSKI David	{1} 8
CARROLL Charles	{1} 4	MISHLOVE David	{1} 2	JACKSON Gregory	24	CARCELLI Jimmy	{1} 8
DOMA Vinay R	{2} 4	MOORE Rod	{2} 2	OHLHAUSEN David B	22.5	CHAPLIN Wes R	{1} 8
FITZGERALD Marti	{1} 4	NEESE Brian A	{2} 2	LEWIS Richard	22	DI ORIO Jeff	{1} 8
FREIDEL Dennis	{1} 4	NUNEZ Robb	{1} 2	SCHMIDT Scott	21.5	DIKOFF Mark	{1} 8
GILRUTH Bruce	{2} 4	POTTS Kevin J	{2} 2	DRENDEL Tyler	{2} 21	DUPEE Arthur B	8
GORODETSKIY Alex	{1} 4	STEWART Richard	{1} 2	NYBERG Darwin V	21	FREIDEL Jesse	{1} 8
GUO Shao-Yun	{1} 4	STRUC Brian	{1} 2	WARD Christopher B	21	FREIDEL Paul	{1} 8
HAMMOTHE Brandon	{2} 4	STUMM Jurgen	2	COHEN Daniel J	{1} 20	HART Aaron	{1} 8
HIRSCHBERG Danie	{1} 4	TOMANEK Ray	{1} 2	DIAMOND William F	20	HOMIAK Jason	{1} 8
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DUNCAN Jason	3	GILIBERTO Frank	{1} 1	DUNCAN Thomas	15	HOMON Clint I	{2} 6
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ECKARDT Robbie	{1} 3	KECOJEVIC Novica	1	SHAWLEY William	15	JURGENSEN Alan	{2} 6
GORDON Ross S	{2} 3	LA FORGE Chris	{1} 1	WIDING Daniel R	15	KASJURAK Zach	{2} 6
GRYFINSKI Michael J	3	LA FORGE Wayne	{1} 1	MOSES Greg S	14.5	KRASNOPOLSKIY Ge	{1} 6

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COOLEY Robert D (1) 1	NASH James (1) 6	JOHNSON Rob (1) 2	HAMMOTHE Brandon (2) 2
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 October 12-14, 2001 MAXI Midwest Class, Oak Brook
 November 17-18, 2001 MAXI Illinois Class

Hadley Goes for the 3-peat

A Story from the Eighth Grade National Chess Tournament at Orlando

David Hubbard

The flight to Orlando left on time and was pleasant. On arrival the climate was a welcome relief from the endless snow we were experiencing in Illinois. We tossed our winter jackets in the hotel room closet and wore short sleeve T-shirts in the 70-80 degree weather. Three boys from the eighth grade Hadley Junior High school chess team made the trip to Orlando: Bennett Joseph, Brian Williams, and my son Andrew Hubbard. Two years ago the Hadley team won the sixth grade championship in Oak Brook IL and last year the team won a come-from-behind victory for the seventh grade championship in Louisville KY. The first win was very close and we had the advantage of competing in our home state. The second win appeared to be a loss until the team scored 3 wins in the final round to squeak by and win by $\frac{1}{2}$ game. Knowing the odds were against them, the Hadley team made the trip to Florida – attempting the now famous 3-peat.

Friday night was the first game of the tournament. Bennett scored a win and Brian lost. Andrew's game took a long time. With game in 90 minutes time control and 5 second delay the games can go a little longer than 3 hours. To my relief, at a little more than 3 hours into the match he came back with a win.

The team was all staying at the hotel across the street (Country Hearth Inn) which has a nice continental breakfast. The team met for breakfast on Saturday morning. It was a pleasant social occasion to start the second round. There was some speculation as to whether the pairings were normal or accelerated. Under accelerated pairings they pair the top and bottom halves of the players against each other for a round or two and then merge the two halves later. For the top half, this will result in tougher pairings earlier leading to more upsets in the early rounds. It would appear that the pairings were done in the regular fashion and they seemed accelerated because the average rating of the players in this tournament was high.

Andrew, Bennett, and Brian all scored wins in the second round. The third round went fairly well also with Andrew and Bennett getting wins and Brian losing. At this point there were no big surprises, that is to say in every match played the higher-rated player had won. For Andrew and Bennett, their ratings (1691 and 1468 respectively) were better than most and hence they had both won all of their games. Everyone knows that if you keep winning you will eventually have to play tough opponents so in the fourth round Bennett was paired up against Christopher Belcher (1780) and Andrew had to play Keaton Kiewra (2014) at the top board. Bennett pulled out a big upset win and Brian got a draw in his match. Andrew's match was another long one and I was still waiting for him 3 hours and 15 minutes into the match. I was prepared for a probable loss since Andrew was playing an expert at the top board. The long match actually made me hopeful that it was close and might end up in a draw. To my surprise when Andrew finally came out he said he had won. We rushed back to the hotel to get some sleep for tomorrow's games. With Bennett and Andrew undefeated and Brian at 1.5 points, the Hadley team was solidly in first place after 4 rounds.

The Sunday morning continental breakfast discussion focused on Bennett and Andrew being undefeated and their upset victories. Coach Mike Miele pointed out that if both Andrew and Bennett were to win their fifth round, they would be paired against each other. Normally players from the same team cannot play against each other, but when they are the only two players with no losses or draws they would be paired together. I suggested that in the unlikely case that this were to happen that they could agree to "Grandmaster draw" (players agree to a draw after making a few moves – sometimes seen at the top board at the end of a tournament). Bennett pointed out that then the tournament would probably go to Andrew on tie-breaks so I don't think he would agree to the draw.

In the fifth round Bennett was paired with Michael Pearson (1832) and Andrew played against Alen Melikadadian (1874) at the top board again. Brian, who was having a tough time with the pairings, lost to a higher-rated opponent. Bennett was unable to get a repeat upset victory in round 5 and lost to Michael Pearson on the second board. Once again, Andrew's game went down to the wire lasting 3 hours and 15 minutes. Once again I prepared for the worst, hoping with the long game that it was a close battle and might end in a draw. Once again, Andrew surprised me with a win. With 10.5 points the Hadley team was still in first place after 5 rounds. There were 3 teams tied for second, each behind by 2.5 points. We needed one more win to clinch the 3-peat.

Brian Williams was the team hero in the last round. He won his game first and locked in the first place win for the team. Bennett Joseph won his match a little later, ending up with the fifth place trophy. The team could celebrate its third straight national team victory.

It was once again three and a quarter hours into the last round. Andrew was playing against Michael Pearson. Andrew lost to Michael last year and was tired from all the long, difficult matches. Virtually every game in the tournament was finished. The only game I could see was (you guessed it) the top board in the eighth grade tournament. They were playing for nothing less than the first place trophy with the tournament directors all watching. The waiting was driving me crazy. A crowd started gathering outside the tournament room. They were not interested in the game. They wanted to get the front seats for the award celebration. This made it difficult to find Andrew as he came out. At last I found him and asked him how it went. He simply said "I won". Mike Miele treated Andrew to a fruit cup (Andrew wanted something healthy) to celebrate his victory.

Hadley took the national first place team trophy for the third year in a row and Andrew won the first place individual trophy as well. Congratulations to Brian Williams (2.5 pts.), Bennett Joseph (5 pts. - 5th place), and Andrew Hubbard (6 pts. - 1st place) - the national champion team for 8th grade. Brian, Bennett, and Andrew, you just won the eighth grade national championship. What are you going to do now?

Hadley Team: "We're going to Disney World!!!"

The following are games annotated by the undefeated member of the Hadley Team - Andrew Hubbard.

[Event "2000 U.S. Scholastic Grade Chess Championships"]
 [Site "Orlando, Florida"] [Date "2000.12.15"] [Round "1"]
 [White "Andrew Hubbard"] [Black "Amit Jayakar"]
 [Result "1-0"] [ECO "D36"] [WhiteElo "1691"] [BlackElo "890"]

1. d4 d5 2. e4 e6 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. exd5 exd5 Queen's Gambit Declined Orthodox Exchange Variation 5. Bg5 c6 6. Qc2 Bb4 7. e3 Nbd7 8. Bd3 Qa5 9. Ne2!? This is one of my favorite openings. The idea is to play f3 and e4, obtaining control of the center. 9... O-O 10. O-O h6 11. Bh4 Re8 12. a3 Bd6 13. b4 Qc7 14. Bg3 Since the pin no longer exists, White will trade his "bad" bishop for Black's "good" bishop. White threatens to obtain the bishop pair with 15. Nb5. 14... Nb6 15. Rfe1 Not 15. Nb5?! cxb5 16. Qxc7 Qxc7 17. Bxc7 Nc4! 15... Bg4 16. Bxd6 Qxd6 17. f3 Bd7 18. e4 dxe4 19. fxe4 Center control has been established. 19... Qc7 20. e5 Planning Nc3-e4-d6 (or Nc3-b5-d6), to get my knight on an outpost. 20... Nfd5 21. Ne4 Bf5 22. N2g3 Bxe4 23. Nxe4 Qe7 24. Nd6 The knight is in a strong position. 24... Red8 25. Rf1?! With this move, the rook is powerfully posted. However, it temporarily costs the exchange. 25... Ne3 26. Bh7+ Kf8 27. Qg6 Nxf1 28. Rxf1 Rxd6 He didn't have much choice. 28... f6 (or 28... f5) allows 29. exf6! Qxd6 30. Qxg7+ Ke8 31. Bxg6 mate! Now I don't have the strong knight on d6. 29. exd6 Qd7 30. Qh5 Nd5 31. Be4 Tempting Black to play 31... Nf6 31... Nf6?? And he does it! Before you look ahead, you may want to guess my response. 32. Rxf6! Re8 Not 32... gxf6 33. Qxh6+ Kg8 (or 33... Ke8 34. Qh8 mate) 34. Qh7+ Kf8 35. Qh8 mate. 33. Rxh6! g6 Once again not 33... gxh6 34. Qxh6+ Kg8 35. Qh7+ Kf8 36. Qh8 mate or 33... Rxe4 34. Rh8 mate. 34. Rh8+ Kg7 35. Qh6+ Kf6 36. Qf4+ Kg7 37. Rxe8 Qxe8 38. Qe5+ Qxe5 39. dxe5 Now I am up a piece and a pawn in an endgame. 39... Kf8 40. e6 f5 41. Bf3 Ke8 42. Kf2 b6? 43. Ke3?! e5 44. Bc6+ Kf8 45. e7+ Kf7 46. e8=Q+ 1-0

[Event "2000 U.S. Scholastic Grade Chess Championships"]
 [Site "Orlando, Florida"] [Date "2000.12.16"] [Round "2"]
 [White "David O'Brien"] [Black "Andrew Hubbard"]
 [Result "0-1"] [ECO "C01"] [WhiteElo "1187"] [BlackElo "1691"]

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. Bg5 Be7 French Defense Classical Variation 5. exd5 exd5 The exchange is out of the opening book. More common is 5.e5. 6. Nf3 Bg4 7. Be2 Nbd7 8. Qd2 c6 9. a3 O-O 10. h3 Bh5 11. g4 This commits White to castling on the queenside. 11... Bg6 12. Nh4?! Often this idea (obtain the bishop pair by trading a knight for an imprisoned bishop) is strong, but here Black's bishop can escape. Better is 12. h4! 12... Ne4 13. Nxe4 Bxe4 14. Bxe7 Qxe7 15. Nf5 The only way to avoid losing a piece! 15... Qe6 16. Qg5? This in-between move allows me to win a pawn and exchange queens. 16... Qf6! 17. Qxf6 Nxf6 18. Rg1 Bxc2 Now that queens are off the board, I seek to trade the rest of the pieces and reach a won endgame. 19. Ne3 Bg6 20. O-O-O Rfe8 21. Bf3 Ne4 22. Bxe4 Bxe4 23. Rg3 h6 24. Rdg1 g5 25. Nf5 Bxf5 26. gxf5 Two down, two to go. 26... Re4 27. Rg4 Rfg4 28. Rfg4 Re8 29. f4 Re4 30. fxg5 Rfg4 31. hxg4 hxg5 Now I have a simple win. 32. Kd2 f6 33. b4 b6 34. Kd3 Kf7 35. a4 Ke7 36. a5 bxa5 37. bxa5 a6 38. Kc3 Kd6 39. Kb4 c5+ 40. dxc5+ Ke6 Now White is in zugzwang. He can only move his king, and must return the pawn. 41. Kc3 Kxc5 42. Kd3 d4 43. Kd2 Ke4 44. Ke2 d3+ 45. Kd2 Kd4 46. Kd1 Ke3 47. Ke1 Kf3 Seeing that I can not promote my d-pawn (47... d2+ 48. Kd1 Kd3?? Stalemate), I decide to win White's other pawns. 48. Kd2 Kxg4 49. Kxd3 Kxf5 50. Ke2 g4 51. Kf2 Kf4 52. Kg2 g3 53. Kg1 Kf3 54. Kf1 f5 55. Kg1 g2 56. Kh2 Kf2 57. Kh3 g1=Q 0-1

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 [Site "Orlando, Florida"] [Date "2000.12.16"] [Round "3"]
 [White "Andrew Hubbard"] [Black "William Stewart"]
 [Result "1-0"] [ECO "E60"] [WhiteElo "1691"] [BlackElo "1366"]

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 King's Indian Defense 3. f3 More common is 3. Ne3. This move is discussed in ICB issue March-April 1996 article "King's Indian Odyssey." The idea of 3. f3 is to avoid having an inactive knight at e2. 3... Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. Be3 O-O 6. Bd3 e5 7. d5 a5 8. Ne2 Na6 9. Nec3 Nd7 10. Na3 In this opening, I will move my knight to a3 or d2, depending on where the activity is. I chose to have my knight on a3 because Black was moving on the queenside. 10... f5 11. exf5 gxf5 12. Qd2 Ndc5 13. Be2 e4 14. O-O-O Choosing to castle on opposite sides. Attempting to win a pawn with 14. fxe4 fxe4 15. Nxe4? (or 15. Bxe4?) is a mistake because it opens up lines when my king is in the center and also ends up losing material. 15. Bxe4? allows Bxc3 16. Qxc3 Nxe4 and 15. Nxe4? loses to Nxe4 16. Bxe4 Qh4+. 14... Nb4?! Now White can win the pawn with 15. fxe4. For example: 15... fxe4 16. Nxe4 or 15... Bxc3 16. bxc3 (not 16. Qxc3?? Nxa2+) 16... Nxc2 (not 16... Nxa2? 17. Kb2) 17. Bxc5! dxc5 18. Nxc2. More significant than material is the fact that it opens up more lines to his king than to my king. 15. fxe4 f4 16. Bd4 Bh6 17. Kb1 Re8 18. Rde1 Qh4 19. Qf2 I am happy to trade queens because of my extra pawn. 19... Qe7 20. Bxc5 dxc5 21. e5 Opening up the b1-h7 diagonal, clearing the e4 square for my knight, pushing my passed pawn, and dominating the center, all on the same move! 21... Nxc2 22. Nxc2 Bf5?! 23. d6! cxd6 24. Nd5 Qd8?! 25. Nf6+ 1-0 Black resigned here. Perhaps this is a bit premature, although I will be ahead an exchange and a pawn, with a better position. If he kept going, I planned Nxe8, and then to use my passed pawn to either get it promoted or invade the seventh rank with my rook.

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 [Site "Orlando, Florida"] [Date "2000.12.16"] [Round "4"]
 [White "Andrew Hubbard"] [Black "Keaton Kiewra"]
 [Result "1-0"] [ECO "E31"] [WhiteElo "1691"] [BlackElo "2014"]

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Ne3 Bb4 4. Bg5 h6 5. Bh4 e5 6. d5 d6 7. e3 Bxc3+ 8. bxc3 e5 9. Bd3 g5 10. Bg3 Bg4?! After 11. f3, Black will have to move this piece again. 11. f3 e4?! This pawn sacrifice doesn't seem to give Black very much compensation. The idea appears to be the establishment of an open file to my king (if I accept the pawn) with the pawn break h5, but it never led to an attack. The 9... g5 move made it difficult for Black to castle kingside. This move opens up the center, so Black should be thinking about castling queenside. 12. fxg4 exd3 13. Qxd3 Qe7 14. h3 Nbd7 15. Nf3 O-O-O 16. O-O Usually, when players castle on opposite sides, the winner is the player whose attack comes first. If I attack his king directly using the open b-file and the a-pawn as a lever, his pawn storm arrives before my attack. I decided to advance my pawns in the center, planning e4 and e5 if he lets me. 16... Qe4?! The Queen cannot stay here. 17. Qe2 Qe7 18. Nd2 Rde8 19. Rfe1 Ne5 20. e4 h5 This is the pawn break I mentioned after Black's eleventh move. 21. gxh5 Nxh5 22. Bxe5 dxe5 Perhaps dxe5 is a mistake, as I now have a protected passed pawn. I now have a won endgame if I can just trade off all the pieces (easier said than done). 23. Qg4+ Kb8 24. a4 Reg8 25. Nf3 Planning to place my knight on g4, where it cannot be driven away. 25... Nf4 His knight is on a very strong post. I cannot drive it away with g3 because my h3 pawn would be hanging. 26. a5 Rg6 27. Nh2 Rh4 28. Qf3 Rf6 29. Qe3 Of course not 29. Ng4?!, losing the queen to 29... Nxh3+. 29... Rfh6 30. Ng4 Rh8 31. Red1 Qd6 32. Rdb1 Rxc4 Black is getting desperate, so he sacrifices the exchange for an open file to my king. The game is getting exciting. 33. hxg4 Qh6 34. Kf2?! 34. Qf3 was stronger, giving me more options for defense. 34... Qf6 35. Qf3 Rh2 36. Rg1 Nh3+ 37. Ke3 Kf3. Kg3 leads to 37... Qh6! 38. Kxh2 (38. gxh3?? Qxh3 mate) 38... Nf2+ 39. Qh3 (39. Kg3?? Qh4 mate) Nxh3 40. gxh3, giving me two rooks for a queen, but I prefer 37. Ke3, which leads to a simple win. 37... Qf4+ 38. Qxf4 gxf4+ 39. Ke2 Nxc1+ 40. Rxc1 Kc7 We have a rook and pawn endgame. I am a pawn up, but I have two pairs of doubled pawns. My big advantage is my protected passed pawn on d5. 41. Kf3 Kd7 42. Rb1 Kc7 43. Rb5 b6 44. axb6+ axb6 45. Rb1 Rh6 46. Ra1 Kb7 47. g5 Rh4 48. g3 Finally I play a pawn break. At this point we were both in mild time pressure. 48... Rh3 If 48... fxg3 then 49. Re1! maintains my extra pawn; 49... Rh3 (or 49... Rh5) 50. Kg4 Rh2 51. Kxg3 Rc2 52. Re3. I am trying to trade rooks and/or undouble my pawns, while improving my king position. 49. Rg1 fxg3 50. Rxc3 Rh2 51. Kg4 Kc7 52. Kf5 Kd6 53. Rf3 Rh1 54. Kf6 Rb7 55. g6 fxg6 56. Kxc6 Rh4 57. Kf5 Rh5+ 58. Kg4 Rb6 59. Kg5 Rh1 60. Rf6+ Kc7 61. Kf5 Rh5+ 62. Ke6 The king is now in position to support my passed pawn. 62... Rg5 63. Rf5 Rg3 64. d6+ Kc6 65. Rf7 Rg6+ 66. Kxe5 Rxd6 67. Rf6 The rook trade gives me a won endgame, as I mentioned on move 22. 67... Rxf6 68. Kxf6 Kd7 69. e5 Ke8 70. Ke6 Kd8 71. Kf7 Kc7 72. e6 Kb7 73. e7 1-0

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 [Site "Orlando, Florida"] [Date "2000.12.17"] [Round "5"]
 [White "Alen Melikadamian"] [Black "Andrew Hubbard"]
 [Result "0-1"] [ECO "C05"] [WhiteElo "1874"] [BlackElo "1691"]

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nd2 Nf6 4. e5 Nfd7 5. c3 e5 6. Ngf3 Nc6 7. Nb3 Be7 8. Be3 exd4 9. exd4 O-O 10. Rc1 a6 11. Bd3 Re8 12. O-O Nf8 White has a clear advantage in space at this point. My plan is to grab up as much space as possible on the queenside and eventually play the pawn break f6 on the kingside. 13. Nc5 Nb4 Black has to play carefully to complete his development without losing material. When I played this move, I had to envision my next three moves, which are b6, Bd7, and Nc6. 14. Bb1 b6 15. Na4 Bd7 16. a3 Nc6 17. Bd3 Na5 18. Nc3 White avoids 18... b4, allowing 18... Nc4. Similarly, I avoided 17... b5 because of 18. Nc5. 18... Bc6 19. Nd2 Qd7 20. b4 Now 20... Nc4 loses a pawn. 20... Nb7 21. f4 f6 22. exf6 Bxf6 22. exf6 probably isn't the best move, since it frees up my position and allows my knight to return to c4 via d6. 23. Nf3 Nd6 My knight has returned and is ready to enter c4. 24. Ne5 Bxe5 25. dxe5 Stopping 25... Nc4, but at a price – I now have a protected passed pawn. 25... Nc8 26. Ne2 Bb5 As in the first game, I seize the opportunity to trade my bad bishop for his good bishop. 27. Bxb5 Qxb5 28. Nc3 Qd7 29. Qd3 b5 30. Bc5 Now White's bishop is strongly posted. In order to stop the f5 push, I abandoned trying to reach c4 with my knight. 30... Ne7 31. Bxe7?! I think this trade helps me out. It trades a powerful bishop on an outpost for a knight that was just on the edge of the board. Perhaps he was preparing to play f5. 31... Rxe7 32. Ne2 Rc8 33. Nd4 Re4 34. Nb3 Qc8 35. Nc5 Re7 Threatening 36... R7xc5. 37. dxc5 would allow 37... Qxc5+ 38. Kh1 Rxc1, while 37. Rxc4 would allow Rxc4. 36. Rxc4 dxc4 37. Qd6 Ra7 38. Rd1 a5?! In time pressure, I lose a pawn. 39. Qb6 Ra8 40. Qxb5 axb4 41. axb4 c3 The loss of the pawn is somewhat compensated for by my active pieces and passed pawn. The complicated position forces my opponent to spend time thinking. 42. Qd3 Ra3 43. Rc1 Qa8 44. Qe4 Qa7 45. Qd4 At this point I had less than five minutes and he had less than two. Alen managed to win my c-pawn, but my pieces slowly became more active until I had a strong mating attack. He then lost on time.

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 [White "Andrew Hubbard"] [Black "Michael Pearson"]
 [Result "1-0"] [ECO "E30"] [WhiteElo "1691"] [BlackElo "1832"]

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. Bg5 e5 5. d5 d6 6. e3 exd5 7. exd5 Nbd7 8. Qc2 Qa5 9. e4 I spent over ten minutes on the last two moves, making sure I didn't lose a pawn. 9... O-O 10. f3 Re8 11. Ne2 From a Nimzo-Indian Leningrad Variation, we have reached a Benoni-like position. The only major difference is the fact that Black's bishop is on b4 instead of g7. I have control of the center. Both sides will have a hard time untangling their pieces without losing material. 11... b5 12. a3 Ne5 13. Rd1 Bxc3+ 14. Qxc3 Qd8 Black has to move back into the pin to avoid losing material or having doubled pawns in front of his king. 15. Ng3 Bd7 16. Qd2 Rb8 17. Nh5 The pin has become very strong. White is threatening 18. Bxf6 gxf6 19. Qh6, followed by 20. Qg7 mate. 17... Neg4 Apparently this move is the only way to avoid heavy loss of material. 18. fxg4 allows 18... Rxc4+ 19. Kf2 (19. Be2 Bxg4 or 19. Be3 Nxc4) 19... Nxc4+. 18. h3 h6 19. Bh4? Allowing 19... Nxe4, which the computer says gives Black a slight edge. 19. hxg4 gives me an extra pawn and a strong position. 19. Nxc4 (the move the computer suggests) is also very strong. 19... Nxe4 20. Bxd8 Nxd2+ 21. Kxd2 Nf2 22. Be7 Rbc8 23. Bxd6 Nxc4 24. Be2 Nf2 25. Rf1 Nxc3?! It seems like black has lost the knight but he has one last try to win the material back with another tactic. 25... Red8 is better; 26. Rxf2? Be8 27. Bf4 (or anywhere else; 27. Nxc4 is best) 27... Rxd5+ and 28... Rxh5 leaves Black two pawns ahead. White still wins with 26. Be7! Re8 27. d6. 26. gxb3 Bf5?! 27... Red8 was still better. I now have a clear advantage. 27. Rg1 Red8?! Why not defend the pawn with 27... Bg6? 28. Nxc4 Bg6 29. Nf5 Kh7 30. Ne7 Rxd6 31. Nxc8 Rxd5+ I am now up a piece for a pawn, but I need to get my knight off of the edge of the board. 32. Ke3 a6 33. f4 Rd8 34. Na7 Re8+ 35. Kf2 Be4 36. Bf3 I am planning to free my knight with Nc6-e5. 36... Bf5 37. h4 Rd8 38. Rd1 Rxd1?! The exchange prevents me from taking control of the open file, but Black needs to keep the rooks on the board to have any winning chances. 39. Bxd1 f6 40. Nc6 Kg7 41. Nb8 Be8 42. Kg3 Kf7 43. Bg4 f5 44. Bf3 Ke6 45. Ne6 Kd6 46. Ne5 The knight has escaped and is in a very strong position. Now I need to get my king active. 46... Be6 47. Kf2 c4 48. Ke3 Kc5 49. Bh5 b4 50. axb4+ Kxb4 51. Bd1?! 51. Nc6- or 51. Bf7 is more accurate. 51... Kc5 52. Bc2 This is the last move I recorded. Black managed to get his piece back for two pawns, reaching the position: White: Pf6, Ph4, Bg4, Kg6 Black: Ph6, Be6, Kd6. Perhaps Black has a draw here, but I don't see one. The final moves from this position were: ... Bxc4 . f7 1-0 ... Bh5+ . Kxh5 Ke7 . Kg6 Kf8 . Kf6 h5 . Ke6 Kg7 . Ke7 wins.

The Kids Can't Play

Larry Cohen

No this article is not about the 1999 White Sox, its about the 2000 US Senior Open. This National tournament also incorporated the 2000 Illinois Senior Open. This 5 round tournament had players from California, Florida, and of course Illinois. Although he was only listed fifth on the wall chart Arnulfo Benesa was clear first with 4 points. Tied for second place were the other four top players in the tournament. Master Carl Wagner (CA), and experts Chrales Musgrove (FL), Miomir Stevanovic, and Ray Doyle Satterlee. Each of these gentlemen finished with 3.5 points for the tournament. Top class A honors went to Victor Friedman, while second A was a tie between James Oberweis and Leonid Bondar. Tied for class B were Roger Allison and Vilorik Zazovskiy. Tied for class C were Alan Gasiiecki and Herbert nWehrmeister (IN). Narayan DeVera earned class E honors with a win in round 4, although he was the only E player. As the only master in the tournament Carl Wagner had to be the pre-tournament favorite. However, he had his title hopes dashed by Miomir Stevanovic in the third round with a massive opening error.

M. Stevanovic C. Wagner

1) Nc3 c5 2) Nf3 g6 3) d4 cxd4 4) Qxd4 Nf6 5) Ne4 Bg7 6) Bg5 Nh5?? Better is to play Nc6, then if he wants he can play Nh5. 7) Nd6ch! Kf8 8) Qc4 Resigns 1-0. The only way to stop mate on f7 is to lose the Queen with e6 or exd6.

Rulebook Tactics

Tim Just

Losing is not fun. It can be a learning experience if you sit down with the person that just beat you and find out what they know that you don't know. After all, it is only a game. It is unlikely that anyone will carve your last game result or your rating on your tombstone. The people that love you will still love you.

Most chess coaches and chess teachers show their students how to resign a game properly. Chess is a hobby and an entertaining sport for most of us. Resigning with dignity just helps you and others enjoy our mutual great passion. Here are a few tips on how to avoid losing your enthusiasm for this grand sport.

How Not To Resign

Pack up your stuff and leave the board without saying a word to anyone.

Wait until your opponent has set up mate in one, and then sit at the board reading non-chess material and let your time of one hour or more run out.

Take a break longer than 15 minutes away from the site without informing anyone (this one might even get you removed from the tournament!).

Make one obviously bad move after another in-between long breaks away from your board watching other contests.

How To Resign

Tip your king over and offer a handshake to your opponent.

Say "I resign" and offer a handshake to your opponent (a lone handshake could be confused as either a draw offer or a resignation).

Say, "I resign".

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Chess From the Middle

Ron Suarez

Energy, Space and The Game of the Universe

Hello again to you my fellow Chess players. In this installment of my article, I would like to continue and finish our discussion of the physical attributes of the Universe and Chess. Rather than having a standard installment of the third of four aspects, I want to include the last two and complete the discussion of the four elements in combination.

Before I start, I would like to mention why Garry Kasparov lost. It is obvious to me because I come from the Middle. Don't believe any other reason you hear but this one. This is the real why as to Garry's Chessic demise. Garry had a problem because of equipment. That's right, his shoes were all wrong! If he would have paid better attention to the Chess Shoes he wore, he would not have lost a single game, and that's the truth.

Now that we have that out of the way, let's proceed. Space is the area that material occupies and is needed by everyone. In this universe space is something of value to many. Here in the Middle a person can get a lot of space pretty easily. Even if you live in the Middle city of Chicago, a car ride of less than ninety minutes will get you into an area where you can have a lot of space. Space is something that can easily be taken for granted. We can forget how important it is to grant enough space for the important things in life. Here in the Middle space can be plentiful yet in certain areas be in high demand too.

In Chess, space is valuable too. The Middle of the chessboard space if controlled correctly will usually give one the upper hand in a chess game. You read in a lot of really good chess manuals about how to count, create and control space. These concepts really help to make a person a much better chess player. Maybe if we can learn how to handle space in life it can also help to make a much better person.

Energy is that thing which makes material move and change over time, in space. In this world, you will find potential energy waiting to come out of things. There is also the active energy that is being spent, kinetic energy. Accomplishing actions with material in our world needs energy. The trick is to get the most accomplished with the least amount of energy expended. Ah yes, this is what is known as efficiency. In the world in which we live, efficiency of actions, energy... of a lot of things is a highly prized and regarded trait. The person that is identified as successful in our world is very good at controlling energy.

Energy in Chess is also a very real element. A number of Chess books talk about development as a main factor in the game. When the pieces are developed to their maximum, there is a lot of energy waiting to be used by the general of the pieces, the player. If the player is really efficient and correct in directing his pawn and piece play, then there will be a lot of Chess energy at his disposal. Nimzowitsch talked a lot about this energy. For instance, there is the pawn's lust to expand, that he wrote about. This lust for expansion is really potential energy. Nimzovitsch and other great chess authors do spend a lot of time and space writing about this energy on the chessboard and how to control it to one's advantage.

What about the energy we Chess players use and put into our games? I know of many games that left me exhausted as no six-mile run ever did. We take relatively small game pieces, on a simple checked pattern and find a lot of energy about and around their activity. Look at Gary Kasparov during a major game! Intense energy is really radiating there. A lot of chess learning deals with correctly handling energy both on and off the board. Hmmm, maybe there is something here that applies to life also.

So there you have it. The basic four elements are Matter, Energy, Space and Time. These four elements of the physical universe are also elements of this game that we love and play. To play better in Chess, and life, we need to learn how to correctly control and handle these four elements. It is my opinion that we should all spend a little bit of our attention in recognizing these four elements and their attributes and effects on life and Chess.

These four elements are really a part of living and of Chess. This similarity makes Chess best model of life that I know of that is also a really nice art form and activity. Maybe that is what intrigues so many people about this game over others. Chess can be good and noble and so can life.

I do see a major difference between the Chess and life that we should note and remember, lest we get the two confused. In chess, there is usually a winner and a loser. Even when there is a draw, it is said that no one won. In chess, there is a necessary conflict set up between the two sides. The goal of the player is to destroy the opponent. Bobby Fischer was well known for his attitude that he needed to totally destroy his opponent both on the chessboard and psychologically. His behavior in the last twenty some years indicates he has confused Chess with life. Many really excellent Chess players throughout history were really screwed up in life, Paul Morphy, Bobby Fischer, etc. This doesn't mean that all good chess players are screwed up. It just means that if a person confuses chess and life he can go awry.

Chess is a win-lose activity. Instead of a win-lose situation life can and should be a win-win situation. In a Chess Life article by Averbakh this autumn, he spoke regretfully of how the handshake between opponents was dropped from international and world-class play. In Russia, it was common to keep knowledge learned about the game a secret so that no "enemy" country or camp would gain this useful survival knowledge to play better. If you suddenly found a hidden secret to make living life easier and better, wouldn't you want to share it with friends? Sure, this is life. In chess, we also usually want others to learn and get better. Don't believe me? How else can you explain the post-game analysis that so commonly happens after a tournament game? I do agree with keeping some home cooked knowledge unknown at the world-class level to maintain the competitive edge. The game came off the chessboard into life as a true war with enemies. Let's face it. Chess is a game. Yes, a lot of life's lessons can be learned from participating in this royal activity, but it is not nor should be taken literally as a way to live life. A good example is this last World Championship match. Garry Kasparov lost. He was a gentleman about it and admitted that he was beat. No one likes to lose. Garry and Vladimir Kramnik behaved professionally and they even did post-mortems of their games (just like we would after a weekend scuffle). They apparently know that it is a game.

In Chess, as in life, there are good people as well as not so good. I have had the fortune to meet many of the good in my time in chess. One of the best chess players from the Middle that I also count as one of the better people in the Middle is Al Chow. He is a good example of a person that I think applies good principles to both Chess and life. If you get a chance to chat with Al you should do so. You will find him to be a gentleman and professional in chess and in life. He is not the only really good Chess player that is also a nice person. He is just a good example of one. I have also met other really good players that are sane and good people. Al is here in the Middle and accessible to us commoners of the Chess Board. Chess players and people should avail themselves of him as a resource and a friend.

In fact we should recognize and have as many friends in life and in chess as we can. That is the true mark of success by my standard. I find that most Chess players that I meet are friendly and good people. Of course when I meet you over the chessboard you will lose and that is that. Before and after the game I will know you as my friend. May you find the truths that you seek in your life and in the noble game of Chess. May you also learn to win at the game of life by having those around you win as well.

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CLUB NEWS

Chicago Chess Club

Because of unfriendly new building management, drastically increased fees for Chess Life tournament announcements, and personal burnout, the Chicago Chess Club closed its doors at the end of December 2000. We wish to thank all the players who have supported our tournaments during the past seven years.

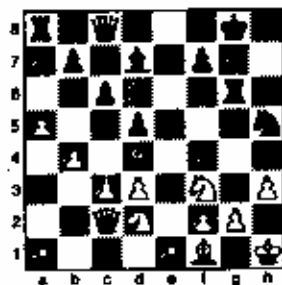
Our final ICA Tour event was played on October 1, a double-round Quick event. The winner was Mehmed Pasalic, sporting a FIDE rating of 2360 and playing in his first USA tournaments in the autumn. See accompanying crosstable.

In non-Tour action, Pasalic suffered a rare loss as Aleksandar Stannov

Here are some CCC games annotated by Albert Chow

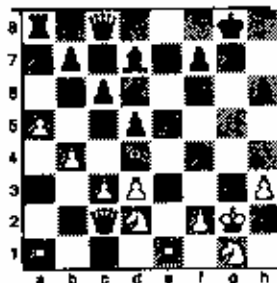
Palos,O - Brock,B [C42]
Plus-Score Micro-Tour (2.2),
01.10.2000

[Chow + Brock]
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 The Petroff or Russian defence. 5.c3?! d5 6.d3 Nf6 7.Bg5 Be7 8.Be2N c6 9.0-0 0-0 10.h3 Re8 11.Nbd2 Nbd7 12.Re1 Nf8! 13.Bf1 h6 14.Be3 Bd6 White has reacted passively and black is already slightly better. 15.Qa4 Bd7 16.Qc2 Ng6 17.a4 [White might stop the knight outpost with 17.g3!] 17...Nf4! 18.a5 N6h5! 19.b4 Re6! 20.Bd4 Rg6! 21.Kh1 Qc8!



defeated him and finished 3-0 in the High on the Hog Sectional on September 30. These same players drew each other in two Game/60 Plus-Score events on November 5 and December 3. In the November event the result was a two-way tie at 3.5, but in December Stannov gave up a full point to Yakov Lazebnik who finished 3-1. Pasalic finally defeated Stannov, twice, in the Plus-Score Double Quick on December 10 to finish 8-0. Finally, in the December 17 Hedgehog Sectional, Pasalic and Stannov avoided playing each other as Bill Smythe, playing the Black side of a Polish Benko, upset Pasalic in the first round.

22.Ng1?? [The only chance was active centralization with 22.Ne5!] 22...Nxc2!! 23.Bxc2 Rxc2!! 24.Kxc2 Nf4+



25.Kh1? [The white king must walk thru fire to try to survive. For example 25.Kh2!? Bxh3 (25...Nxd3+!? 26.Kh1 Nxe1 27.Rxe1 Bxh3 28.Qd3 Bf5 With three pawns for the piece.) 26.Re3 Nxd3+ 27.Rg3 Bf5 28.Qa2 Bxg3+ 29.fxc3 Qe6 with three pawns for a knight.; Another hair raising possibility is 25.Kf1! Bxh3 26.Nb3 Nxd3! 27.Nxh3 Qxh3+ 28.Kc2 Re8+ 29.Kd2 Bf4+ 30.Be3 Nxe1 31.Rxe1= Again with three pawns for a knight.] 25...Bxh3 26.Re3 [The black attack continues after 26.Qd1 Qf5 27.Re3 Bg2+ 28.Kh2 Nxd3+! 29.Rg3 Nxh2

Bill Smythe

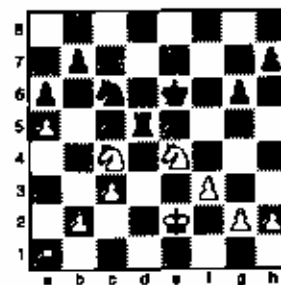
Game/90 and game/29 quads rounded out Club action at the end of 2000. Strong players usually avoid quads, but there are some notable exceptions. Jeremy Martin (2122) scored 3-0 on November 4, as did Mehmed Pasalic on December 2. On November 12, only five players showed up, so we tried to make it a 5-player round robin, which was won by Steve Szpisjak (2253) at 4-0.

Our thanks to Pasalic, Stannov, Szpisjak, Osman Palos, Albert Chow, James Fagan, and everybody else Master through J who made things interesting at the Chicago Chess Club during its seven-year existence.

30.Qe1 Nd3-+ 26...Bg2+ 27.Kh2 Qg4+ 28.Rg3 Qh5+ 29.Nb3 Bxh3 30.f3 Ne2 White resigns 0-1

Palos,O - Szpisjak,S [A48]
CCC Plus Score Mini, 24.09.2000
[Al Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5 Bg7 4.e3 0-0 5.Nbd2 d6 6.Be4 a6 7.a4 c5 8.c3 Ne6 9.0-0 Bd7 10.dxc5 [White could maintain tension with 10.h3 or 10.Re1] 10...dxc5 11.Bxf6!? exf6! 12.Ne4 Qe7 13.Ned2 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.a5 e5 16.e4 Rad8 17.Qe2 Rf7 18.Qc4 Bf8 19.Nb3 Qd6 20.Nfd2 Qd3 21.Qxd3 Rxd3 22.Nc4 f5 23.Rfe1 fxe4 24.Nbd2 e3 25.Rxe3 Rfd7 26.Rxd3 Rxd3 27.Kf1 Be7 28.Ke2 Rd5 29.Ne4 Kf7 30.f3 Ke6



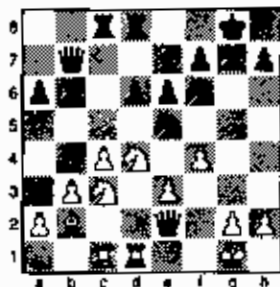
31.g4 Rd8 32.h3 Na7 33.Rh1 Nb5 34.h4 Ne7 35.h5 Nd5 36.hxg6 hxg6 37.Rh7 Nf4+ 38.Kf2 Rd7 39.b3 Nd3+ 40.Kf1 Nf4 41.Rh8 Rd1+ 42.Kf2 Rb1 43.Ke3 Rxb3 44.Kd2 Nd5 45.Ke2 Rb5 46.Rg8 Kf7 47.Rb8 Ke6 48.Rh8 Nf4 49.Ned2 Ng2 50.Rh1 Bg5 51.Ra1 Bxd2 52.Nxd2 Nh4 53.Ra4 b6 54.axb6 Rxb6 55.g5 Nf5 56.Ne4 Rc6 57.Kd3 Nd6 58.Nxd6 Rxd6+ 59.Ke4 Rb6 60.Ra5 Kd6 Draw agreed 1/2-1/2

(37) Psalic,M (2360) - Palos,O (2450) [A32]

CCC Plus Score Mini, 24.09.2000

[Al Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.Nc3 White could advance in the center with 4.d5 transposing to the Benoni. 4...cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6!? Also good in this branch of the English opening were the developmental 5...Nc6 or 5...Bb4. 6.e3!? [White could transpose directly to the Paulsen Sicilian with 6.e4] 6...Qc7 7.Be2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Qd2! d6 10.b3 b6 11.Bb2 Bb7 This pawn structure is known for the Hedgehog style of manoeuvre where the pieces dig in and probe for weakness. 12.Rac1 Nbd7! [12...Nc6?! could be met by 13.Nd5! for example 13...exd5 14.cxd5 Nxd5 15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.Qxd5] 13.Rfd1 Rfd8 14.Bf3 Rac8 [Exchanging with 14...Bxf3! 15.Nxf3 Qb7 would clarify equality.] 15.Qe2! Ne5 [Now after 15...Bxf3 16.Qxf3! develops the active queen. Flexible was 15...Nc5.] 16.Bxb7 Qxb7 17.f4!



17...Ng6? [This target knight must seek equality thru exchanges with 17...Nc6! =] 18.f5! exf5? [The last chance to maintain the defensive line was the passive 18...Nf8] 19.Nxf5 Bf8

20.Qf3! Qxf3 21.gxf3± Ne5 22.f4! Ned7 [Black soon loses material after 22...Nc6 23.Na4!+] 23.Nxd6 Rc6 24.Nf5 g6 25.Nd4 Rcc8 26.Kf2 Re8 27.Kf3 Re5 28.b3 Rh5 29.Rh1 Ne5 30.Rcd1 Nee4 31.Nxe4 Nxe4 32.Nc6 Rc5 33.Ne5 Ra5? [More solid was 33...f5!] 34.Kxe4+ Rxa2 35.Bd4 f6 36.Ra1 fe5 37.fxc5 Rxa1 38.Rxa1 Ra8 39.Bxb6 Kf7 40.Kd5 Bb4 41.Bc7 a5 42.Bd6 Bd2 43.c5 Bxc3 44.c6 g5 45.c7 Bb6 46.Rf1+ Kg6 47.Ke6 Bxc7 48.Bxc7 black resigns 1-0

Psalic,M (2360) - Szpisjak,S (2260) [B26]

CCC Plus Score mini, 24.09.2000

[Al Chow]

1.e4 c6 2.d3 c5 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 All white has done by avoiding the French on move two is transpose to the closed Sicilian where black has less difficulties. 6.Be3 d6 7.Qd2 Qa5! 8.Nge2 Nd4! 9.0-0 Ne7 [Also good was 9...Nxe2+ 10.Qxe2 Ne7 (if black wins a pawn with 10...Bxc3!? 11.bxc3 Qxc3 the important dark squared bishop is interesting compensation.)] 10.Nc1 [Not 10.Nxd4? cxd4 11.Nd1 Qh5!] 10...h5 11.Nb3 [Steve welcomes the French like 11.e5 d5 12 f4 Bb7] 11...Qb6 12.Ne2 Bb7! [Steve again avoids the greedy 12...Nxe2+ 13.Qxe2 Bxb2?! 14.Rab1 Bg7 15.e5! giving white open lines of attack.] 13.c3 Nxe2+ 14.Qxe2 0-0 15.d4 c4 16.Nd2 d5 17.e5 b4! 18.Bg5 Rfe8 19.g4 Rab8! 20.Qe3 Bc6! 21.h4 bxc3 22.bxc3 Ba4! The so called bad French bishop develops activity outside the pawn chain. On c2 it fights for the b file and defends black's kingside. By contrast white is unable to activate his Nd2 and Bg2. 23.Rac1 [23.Rab1 Qc7 24.Bf6 Bc2!] 23...Qc7 24.Bf3 Rb2! 25.Kg2 Bc2! 26.Bh6 Rxa2 27.Rh1 Rb8 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.h5 Rbb2 The black attack is stronger and more natural. 30.Qg5 [Black defends after 30 hxg6 Bxg6! or 30.Rxc2 Rxc2 31.hxg6 fxg6! 32.Qh6+ Kf7 33.Qxh7+ Ke8-+] 30...Ng8 31.Qe3 Ba4 32.Nf1 Rxf2+ 33.Qxf2 Rxf2+ 34.Kxf2 Qb6! 35.Ng3 Qb2+ 36.Ne2 Bc2! 37.Ra1 Bd3 38.Rxa7 Bxe2 39.Bxe2 Qxc3+

Undermining the base of the pawn chain. 40.Rd1 Nh6! 41.g5 Nf5 42.b6+ Kf8! 43.Ra8+ Ke7 White resigns 0-1

Stamnov,A (2290) - Smythe,B (1900) [C05]

CCC Plus Score Mini, 16.09.2000

[Al Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Bd3?! [Better is the main line 4.e5! Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ne2 etc.] 4...e5 5.e5 e4!? 6.Be2 [Smythe need not fear 6.exf6 cxd3 7.fxg7 Bxg7 8.c3! b6=; Or 6.Bxc4 dxc4 7.exf6 Qxd4=] 6...Nfd7 7.f4 [If 7.b3!? Bb4! =] 7...Nc6 8.c3 Ne7 9.Bg4 b5 10.Bb3 [Not the poison 10.Bxh5? Nf5! with black initiative.] 10...g6 11.Ne2 Nf5 12.Nf3 b5 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Ng5 a5 15.Ng3 Nxx3 16.hxg3 Be7 17.Qc2 Nf8 18.Be3 Qb6 19.g4 hxg4 20.Bxg4 b4 21.Kf2 Ba6 [Also good was 21...Bc6] 22.Rh1 Rxh1 23.Rxh1 Rb8 24.Bc1 bxc3 25.bxc3 Qb1 26.Qa4+ Rb5 [More ambitious than 26...Qb5=] 27.Rd1? [More solid was 27.Nf3] 27...Bxx5! 28.fxx5 Qe4 29.Bf3 Qh4+ 30.Kg1 Nh7 31.Qc2 Nxx5 32.Rf1 Rb8 33.Ba3 [33.Qa4+ Rb5 repeats moves.] 33...Nxf3+ 34.Rxf3 Qe1+ 35.Kh2?! [Better was 35.Rf1 Qe3+ 36.Qf2 Qxf2+ 37.Kxf2 forcing the queen trade.] 35...Rb1 36.Rf2 Bb5 37.Qd2 Qxd2 [With white's king exposed better was 37...Qh1+! 38.Kg3 Qh5 with good attacking chances.] 38.Rxd2 Ba4 39.Bb2 Bd1 40.Kg3 g5 41.Ba3 Bh5 42.Kf2 Bg6 43.Bb2 Bf5 44.Ba3 Ra1 45.Kg3 Bb1 46.Rb2 Rxa2 47.Rb8+ Kd7 48.Bc5 Be4 49.Rb7+ Kc8 [49...Kc6] 50.Rxf7 Rxx2+ 51.Kh3 Rc2 [51...g4+! 52.Kh4 Bf5 53.Ra7 Rh2+ +] 52.Kg4 Rxc3 53.Ra7 Rd3 54.Kxx5 c3 55.Bd6 Rf3 [55...Rxd4 56.Rc7+ Kd8 57.Rxc3 a4] 56.Rxa5 c2 57.Rc5+ Kd8 58.Bc7+ Kd7 Draw agreed. 1/2-1/2

Elmhurst Chess Club

Roger Birkeland

GM Dmitry Gurevich and Dejan Maksimovic Entertain Elmhurst Chess Club Members

The Elmhurst Chess Club kicked off its 5th season on Sunday, September 10 with a gala event featuring Grandmaster Dmitry Gurevich and top local master Dejan Maksimovic. About 45 chess enthusiasts attended the festivities, which were free to all club members. The night got underway with a blitz exhibition between the two professionals. First two 3 minute games were contested, followed by two 5 minute games. GM Gurevich had White in the first game and prevailed in what appeared to be a drawn position. "Max", however, is a formidable blitz opponent-he has a Internet Chess Club blitz rating of more than 2800 and is ranked 40th in the world on the World Blitz Chess Association rating list-and he came back to take the second game and even the score. The story was much the same in the 5 minute games; Dmitry captured the first game with the white pieces and Max came back to take the second game. The hard-fought mini match ended in 2-2 draw, with the player having White winning every game, and earned the respected professionals a well-deserved round of applause. ECC regular George David congratulated Max for representing the Club well against the esteemed Grandmaster.

Next 32 of the participants settled down behind chess boards for the evening's main event-an unusual simul in which GM Gurevich and Maksimovic shared the spotlight. By following each other around the room and making every other move on each board, Dmitry and Max certainly gave the players a better chance than they would have had playing against just one

professional. Still, they managed to subdue 25 of the 32 participants, including several strong players, in about 3 hours. Four players, expert Stanimir Ilic, Tom Rohrbaugh, Robert Loncarevic and Rudy Padilla, earned hard-fought victories, although Rudy got very lucky when a miscue allowed him to go from losing a Queen to winning a Queen. Loncarevic, who has improved his play dramatically over the past few months by studying with Max, ironically won with a variation he learned in those same lessons. Congratulations (and a free entry to a Club tournament) are also in order for the three players who drew-Dexter Cavitt, Vince Hart and junior Nick Darchewski (826!!).

I would like to thank GM Dmitry Gurevich, Dejan Maksimovic and all the chess enthusiasts who participated for making this a fun and interesting event. We will certainly plan to hold something similar in the future-I hope you can be there.

Fall Highlights

24 players committed three Sunday nights to our Fall Swiss, a chance to play three games at a slow, serious time control. Former master Greg Bungo and fast-rising Vinay Doma, whose rating has jumped from the 1600s to the 1800s in just a few months, finished first with scores of 3-0. Richard Lung was best under 1800 with 2.5-.5, and Rudy Padilla shared under 1600 money with Kermit Dodson, both at 2-1. Also with 2-1 and best under 1400 was Subhash Verma, while junior Kevin Potts, who seems to win a prize every week, took the under 1200 money with 1.5-1.5.

On October 8 we hosted a 4-round, Game/60 Illinois Chess Association Mini-tour event. Fifty-eight players, including six masters, competed for

\$1000 in prizes. Well known IM Osman Palos, top local masters Dejan Maksimovic and Albert Chow, and strong newcomer Aleksandar Starnov (2293) tied for first place with 3.5-.5 and split \$400 in prize money. Seven players, Greg Bungo, Tam Nguyen, William Aramil, Ely Sollano, Robert Loncarevic and Dexter Cavitt, split the Expert and Class A prizes with 3-1. Talented junior Jose Rodriguez, also with 3-1, took home the \$110 Class B prize, while Gary Kalberg and Chris Baumgartner, both at 2.5-1.5, split the Class C money. Juniors Kevin Potts, Steve Klink and Jonathan Lung were best under 1400 with 2-2, equaling the score of many A and B players.

The popular Game/15 format brought out 19 players on October 15 to compete in a 5-round Swiss. Blair Machaj, though benefitting somewhat from typical Quick Chess mistakes, nevertheless had an outstanding result: His first place score of 5-0 included wins over not just one, but two 2300 players.

Strong masters Dejan Maksimovic (2379) and Steve Tennant (2312) had little trouble with the rest of the field (except for Blair) and finished equal second with 4-1. Club regulars George David, Kermit Dodson and Rudy Padilla, along with Ralph Wakerly and junior Jusuf Pekovic, split the remaining prizes with 3-2.

24 players, including several new club members, came out on November 5 & 12 to take part in a 4-round Game 45 event. Veteran John Tums and Vince Hart, who seems to be rounding back into form, tied for first with 3.5-.5. Brian Fox (1129) is certainly improving from his work with IM Dominik Pedzich, as his score of 3-1 not only tied Roger Allison for best under 1800, but was better than 12 higher rated players. Juniors Kevin Potts and Ben Hudson were best under

1400, both with the excellent score of 2.5-1.5.

Dejan Maksimovic doesn't lose many Game/15 tournaments, and after being upset on October 15 he came back strong on December 3 to defeat 18 opponents in a 5-round Swiss with a

perfect score of 5-0. Misha Mladenovic, who is an International Master of chess problem composition as well as a fine over the board player with an original style, lost only to "Max" to tie for second with Robert Loncarevic-both with 4-1. George

David, who plays so much blitz he has become a feared opponent, Vinay Doma, whose rating leaps up every month, and Kevin Potts, a junior who always seems to play above his rating (877), split the rest of the prizes with 3-2.

ICA Awards Banquet Sunday, March 4th

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Cash Bar.

Time:

10 am to 4 pm

10:00:

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Reflections of a Class B Winner

Vincent Hart (1713)

I suppose that chess is a game of pure skill at the master level, but when you play down in the alphabet sections luck matters. After a twenty-year absence, I returned to competitive chess with a first place in the 1996 Illinois Open Reserve and a tie for first in the 1997 Tim Just Winter Open Reserve. "How cool," I thought. I get to play a game I love, and pick up some extra cash besides. Well four years later, I'm still struggling to get out of B class, and those early winnings have been swallowed up by entry fees, book purchases, and losses at North Avenue Beach.

I finally achieved another victory in the B section of the 2000 Midwest Class Championship, but I am no longer convinced that there is a master in me somewhere struggling to get out. I know the role luck played. My opponents chose openings that suited me so that I reached decent middle game positions without burning too much time. And while I committed my usual share of oversights and miscalculations, none of them seemed to be fatal.

My third round game was typical of how things went. I had White against Daniel Leung, a sharp junior player like many I have lost to over the last four years. At least though, at 1773, he was not a *grossly underrated* junior player. 1. e4 g6 2. d4 Bg7 3. Nc3 e6 I remembered reading that Daniel was taking lessons from Dick Verber, so I was not surprised by the Gurgendize variation of the Modern Defense. The first time I ran into it, Jim Oberweiss beat me in eleven moves when I left b2 unguarded and he ripped apart my queenside with a timely... Qb6. After

Midwest Class				October 27-29, 2000							
MASTER				score tour							
1	WOJTKIEWICZ Alek	NY	2691	W21	D 4	W 6	D 2	W 8	4	12	M
2	GOLDIN Alexander	FL	2669	W23	W12	W 3	D 1	D 4	4	12	M
3	GUREVICH Dmitry	IL	2635	W15	W 8	L 2	W 9	W11	4	12	M
4	YOUNG Angelo	IL	2432	W17	D 1	D18	W10	D 2	3.5	7	M
5	DAVIS Loal W	MO	2279	D27	D24	D19	W28	W18	3.5	7	M
6	TATE Emory A	AL	2480	W22	W20	L 1	L 8	W16	3	6	M
7	GERSHOV Yevgeniy	NY	2327	D25	D14	W15	D18	D 9	3	6	M
8	STANNOV Aleksandar	FR	2299	W30	L 3	W24	W 6	L 1	3	6	M
9	GREENIAS Steven D	VA	2229	H	W29	W28	L 3	D 7	3	6	M
10	ROWLAND Todd W	IL	2202	L12	W27	W20	L 4	W22	3	6	M
11	WILLIAMS Vance	NY	2027	L20	B	W29	W12	L 3	3	6	MX
12	KARKLINS Andrew	IL	2382	W10	L 2	D21	L11	W23	2.5	5	M
13	NAGLE Sean	MN	2324	D24	D16	D22	D23	D14	2.5	5	M
14	MAKSIMOVIC Dejan	IL	2316	D26	D 7	D16	D22	D13	2.5	5	M
15	STEIGMAN A J	FL	2242	L 3	W30	L 7	D24	W27	2.5	5	M
16	HOOVER Nathan E	MN	2239	D29	D13	D14	W21	L 6	2.5	5	M
17	PRIVMAN Boris	NJ	2239	L 4	L22	W27	D20	W28	2.5	5	M
18	GEIST Mark J	OH	2226	D19	W25	D 4	D 7	L 5	2.5	5	M
19	PEDZICH Dominik	IL	2371	D18	D28	D 5	H	-	2	4	M
20	SMITH Bryan G	AK	2310	W11	L 6	L10	D17	D24	2	4	M
21	FIGLER Ilye	NY	2290	L 1	W26	D12	L16	D25	2	4	M
22	ECKERT Doug D	TN	2263	L 6	W17	D13	D14	L10	2	4	M
23	SZPISJAK Steven J	IL	2253	L 2	H	W25	D13	L12	2	4	M
24	DEAN Jim H	IN	2207	D13	D 5	L 8	D15	D20	2	4	M
25	FISCHVOGT Eric V	MI	2200	D 7	L18	L23	W26	D21	2	4	M
26	MAROVITCH Mark	IL	2088	D14	L21	H	L25	W30	2	4	MX
27	AARON Michael E	IL	2091	D 5	L10	L17	W30	L15	1.5	3	MX
28	GORLIN Andrey	IL	2007	B	D19	L 9	L 5	L17	1.5	3	MX
29	PALOS Osman	IL	2433	D16	L 9	L11	-	-	0.5	1	M
30	LOPES William M	MA	2186	L 8	L15	D31	L27	L26	0.5	1	MX
31	LONCAREVIC Robert	IL	1848	-	-	D30	-	-	0.5		

Midwest Class				October 27-29, 2000							
EXPERT				score tour							
1	KOWALSKIE Kyle		2069	W 8	D 9	W12	W11	D 2	4	12	X
2	HEYER Jon		2000	D21	W13	W 9	W 4	D 1	4	12	X
3	SNOW Glenn W		1997	D13	W21	D 7	W17	W 6	4	12	XA
4	BARSKY Sam		2110	W25	W17	D11	L 2	W 8	3.5	7	X
5	RIDDELL Joshua S		2043	L12	D18	W24	W13	W11	3.5	7	X
6	CATES James S		1941	D 7	W14	W10	W16	L 3	3.5	7	XA
7	ENRIQUEZ Clodie T		2174	D 6	W24	D 3	L 8	W20	3	6	X
8	CARR Jay A		1918	L 1	B	W22	W 7	L 4	3	6	XA
9	AROND Dean		1817	B	D 1	L 2	D10	W15	3	6	XA
10	KARKLINS Erik		2000	W26	D23	L 6	D 9	D12	2.5	5	X
11	GORLIN Gennady		1891	W16	W15	D 4	L 1	L 5	2.5	5	XA
12	WILLIAMS Kenneth		1888	W 5	H	L 1	D15	D10	2.5	5	XA
13	LONCAREVIC Robert		1848	D 3	L 2	B	L 5	W22	2.5	5	XA
14	HAYES Raymond C		2100	H	L 6	D18	W23	-	2	4	X
15	INUMERABLE Florentino		2048	D20	L11	W21	D12	L 9	2	4	X
16	MURPHY Jones M		2012	L11	W20	W23	L 6	-	2	4	X
17	SKUKA Adil		2000	W22	L 4	W19	L 3	-	2	4	X
18	ZABAWA Michael S		1965	L23	D 5	D14	D22	D21	2	4	XA
19	ARAMIL William J		1937	H	H	L17	L20	W24	2	4	XA
20	MONATELLI David		1920	D15	L16	H	W19	L 7	2	4	XA
21	NIKOLOVSKI Oliver T		1875	D 2	L 3	L15	W24	D18	2	4	XA
22	GARRISON R Raymond		1852	L17	W25	L 8	D18	L13	1.5	3	XA
23	GATICA Jose		1821	W18	D10	L16	L14	-	1.5	3	XA
24	RICHMOND M Barrie		1876	H	L 7	L 5	L21	L19	0.5	1	XA
25	ARAMIL William J		1937	L 4	L22	-	-	-	0		
26	GARRISON R Raymond		1852	L10	-	-	-	-	0		

struggling against Aaron Chen in the same line at the Elmhurst Chess Club, I finally looked up the theoretical recommendation, 4. Bc4. This slows down ... d5 and a subsequent Bb3 strengthens the queenside. Since I learned about this move, I have been more comfortable playing White against Verber's students.

Play continued 4. ... d6 5. Be3 e6 6. Nf3 d5 7. Bb3 Ne7 8. e5 0-0 9. 0-0. I was feeling confident here. I've got a French Defense where Black has spent an extra move to get in ... d5, and will have to spend another extra move to get in ... c5. 9. ... Nd7 10. Ne2 c5 11. c3 e4 12. Bc2 b5 13. Qd2 a5. 14. Bh6 Rb8 15. Bxg7 Kxg7. I'm still happy as Black's king is feeling a little draft and he seems to have a "textbook" bad bishop. 16. a3 Nc6 17. Nf4 b4. At this point, I thought about playing on the queenside with Ba4, possibly exchanging my bishop for a Black knight to reach an endgame where Black's bishop might be a liability. On the other hand, Black's king looked awfully vulnerable so I decided to see what I could do to expose it further. 18. axb4 axb4 19. h4 bxc3 20. Qxc3 Qe7 21. h5.

Although I spent a fair amount of time here, I did not try to calculate all Black's choices. I was almost sure about Daniel's next two moves and I just tried to satisfy myself that none of the alternatives were immediately losing for White. 21. ... g5 Not forced, but I figured that he would want to keep the kingside closed. 22. h6+. I'm not sure I had much if Black just retreated with 22. ... Kg8, but I did not think he would. I knew that if I were Black, the lonely Black pawn on g5 and the White pawn on h6 would look so ugly to me that I would grab the h pawn without a second thought. Daniel apparently felt the same way. 22. ... Kxh6. Now White is winning. 23 Nxc5! The

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CLASS A		score tour									
1	BONDAR Leonid	IL	1955	W17	W 5	W14	W 3	D 2	4.5	19	A
2	FORD Samuel M	IL	1877	W21	W10	W 9	W 8	D 1	4.5	19	A
3	COHEN Howard	IL	1878	W29	W25	W18	L 1	W 9	4	12	A
4	RANDALL Paul A	MI	1928	W32	L 9	W21	W18	D 7	3.5	7	A
5	MODES Daniel R	IL	1835	W30	L 1	W10	W15	H	3.5	7	A
6	WASHINGTON Ronald	IL	1820	L15	D27	W29	W19	W12	3.5	7	A
7	DUNCAN Jason	IL	1688	D12	W20	D11	W13	D 4	3.5	7	AB
8	MILLER Mark S	MN	1961	H	H	W12	L 2	W14	3	6	A
9	CHAVEZ Roberto	IL	2832	W22	W 4	L 2	W16	L 3	3	6	A
10	RODRIGUEZ Jose A	IL	1625	B	L 2	L 5	W17	W15	3	6	AB
11	GRING Steven W	IL	1927	D24	W19	D 7	D14	-	2.5	5	A
12	HERRANDEZ Hector R	IL	1900	D 7	W28	L 8	W23	L 6	2.5	5	A
13	NOTERMAN Peter	MD	1849	D26	D24	D23	L 7	X18	2.5	5	A
14	VAJA Ashish	WI	1646	W31	W16	L 1	D11	L 8	2.5	5	AB
15	HARMOND Allen	IL	1955	W 6	L18	W25	L 5	L10	2	4	A
16	GREGORY Jamie	IL	1946	W23	L14	W24	L 9	-	2	4	A
17	REED Boyd M	IL	1833	L 1	L21	W20	L10	W29	2	4	A
18	LAZEBNIK Yakov	IL	1833	W27	W15	L 3	L 4	F13	2	4	A
19	COVIC Mehmed	IL	1831	H	L11	W22	L 6	D20	2	4	A
20	CETERSKI Ken	MI	1733	D28	L 7	L17	W29	D19	2	4	AB
21	MC CORMICK Andy	IL	1680	L 2	W17	L 4	W25	-	2	4	AB
22	HERRNOFF Leon	IL	1928	L 9	D29	L19	H	H	1.5	3	A
23	HORTON Deon E	WI	1782	L16	W30	D13	L12	-	1.5	3	AB
24	CASE Rick	IL	1800	D11	D13	L16	-	-	1	2	A
25	SMITH Harry A	IL	1754	B	L 3	L15	L21	-	1	2	AB
26	MEEHEM Paul	IL	1982	D13	-	-	-	-	0.5	1	A
27	MILLER Mark S	MN	1961	L18	D 6	-	-	-	0.5	1	A
28	CONDON James K	IL	1917	D20	L12	-	-	-	0.5	1	A
29	BUTLER Edward M	IL	1793	L 3	D22	L 6	L20	L17	0.5	1	AB
30	MEEHEM Paul	IL	1982	L 5	L23	-	-	-	0		
31	GROSSMAN Jay M	MI	1849	L14	-	-	-	-	0		
32	COVIC Mehmed	IL	1831	L 4	-	-	-	-	0		

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CLASS C		score tour									
1	MILOSEVIC Goran	IL	1456	W33	W22	W12	W 4	W 5	5	32	C
2	WITK Gregory A	IL	1539	W35	W20	D14	W 6	W 8	4.5	19	C
3	GREENE Nathaniel	IN	1295	W 8	L14	W24	W21	W11	4	12	CD
4	GIERTZ Charles M	IL	1570	W18	D 6	W23	L 1	W15	3.5	7	C
5	HEUER Brandon L	IN	1556	W 9	D23	W15	W14	L 1	3.5	7	C
6	SEIBEL Dennis	IL	1442	W27	D 4	W16	L 2	W12	3.5	7	C
7	MORAN Philip D	IL	1363	D15	W27	W17	L 8	W18	3.5	7	CD
8	PADILLA Rudy R	IL	1500	L 3	W35	W10	W 7	L 2	3	6	C
9	MATTHEWS Dennis	IL	1404	L 5	L11	W35	W28	W19	3	6	C
10	LEVINE Gary C	IL	1383	W13	L17	L 8	W27	W20	3	6	CD
11	BEACH Zachary J	IL	1312	L23	W 9	W13	W20	L 3	3	6	CD
12	ENGELN Mark	IL	1539	D19	W30	L 1	W17	L 6	2.5	5	C
13	SHELLHAMER Ted C	IL	1535	L10	W25	L11	D24	W27	2.5	5	C
14	PERRINS Michael A	IL	1504	W21	W 3	D 2	L 5	-	2.5	5	C
15	KITTSDEY Scott L	WI	1500	D 7	W26	L 5	W16	L 4	2.5	5	C
16	TRAN Thong	IN	1539	D32	W19	L 6	L15	D17	2	4	C
17	BURNETT Jim	IL	1534	D25	W10	L 7	L12	D16	2	4	C
18	SOLAKO Mario	IL	1484	L 4	D26	W25	D22	L 7	2	4	C
19	WILHELM John W	IL	1480	D12	L16	D28	W30	L 9	2	4	C
20	MICKLICH Frank T	IL	1432	W28	L 2	W30	L11	L10	2	4	C
21	VENIA Michael J	MI	1417	L14	B	W22	L 3	-	2	4	C
22	HIGGINS Charles E	IN	1597	W24	L 1	L21	D18	-	1.5	3	C
23	ROVENSRIY Vitaliy	IL	1520	W11	D 5	L 4	-	-	1.5	3	C
24	JOSEPH Bennett	IL	1446	L22	W33	L 3	D13	-	1.5	3	C
25	BRONNER Ben	IL	1354	D17	L13	L18	D33	H	1.5	3	CD
26	SCHELLNER John W	IL	1296	H	L15	L27	L31	X28	1.5	3	CD
27	HOBSON Nathaniel D	IL	1532	L 6	L 7	W26	L10	L13	1	2	C
28	HOMON Clint I	IL	1526	L20	D18	D19	L 9	F26	1	2	C
29	BAUMGARTNER Chris	IL	1500	-	-	W33	-	-	1		
30	SOSSI Michael	IL	1287	W34	L12	L20	L19	-	1	2	CD
31	KORPI Edwin	MI	1341	-	-	-	W26	-	1		
32	MILOSEVIC Goran	IL	1456	D16	-	-	-	-	0.5		
33	FELIX Monica M	WI	1306	L 1	L24	L29	D25	-	0.5	1	CD
34	FAMBRU Paul	IL	1486	L30	-	-	-	-	0		
35	AILES Tim S	IL	1469	L 2	L 8	L 9	-	-	0		

knight can't be taken. If 23... Qxg5, then 24. Qh3+ Kg7 25. Qxh7++. If 23... Kxg5, then 24. Qg3+ Kh6 25. Qh3+ Kg5 26. Qh5+ Kxf4 27. g3++. So 23... Rh8 24. Qh3+ Kg7 25. Qg4 Kf8.

Here I used some more time to calculate a knight sacrifice. I thought I saw mate at the end so I went for it. 26. Nxe6+(I did not record and I do not remember which knight I captured with first) fxe6 27. Nxe6+ Ke8 28. Qh5+ Qf7 29. Ne7+ Ke7 30. Qg5+ Kf8 31. Qh6+ Ke7. I had calculated out this far and I had thought that 32. Qd6+ was mate. I even recorded it on my score sheet and stopped the clock before Daniel pointed out that he could play 32... Kd8. For a moment, I started to panic. One reason I can't stay above 1800 is that I fritter away good positions. With less than fifteen minutes left, I was worried about making the time control if I had to do a lot more calculating.

Fortunately, I saw that his knight was hanging, so I got my piece back, traded queens, and forgot about mating him. 33. Ne6+ Ke8 34. Qxc6+ Bb7 35. Nc7+ Ke8 36. Qd6 Qe7 37. Ne6+ Kd8 38. Qxe7 Kxe7.

Even with two extra pawns, I was still nervous. I had not anticipated an ending and I really wanted a few minutes to think about what my plan should be and what threats he might have. I have messed up better positions than this before and I needed to reach the time control without doing any harm to my game. I decided that a knight on d6 could not be bad. 39. Ng7 h5 40. Nf5+ Ke6 41. Nd6 Rg8. At this point, I got up, walked outside the building, and oriented myself to the idea that I still might have some work to do. When I got back though, I saw fairly quickly that he could not do much if I simply pushed my e and f pawns. 42. f4 Ke7 43. f5 Bc6 44. f6+ Kf8 45. Ra7 Rg5 46. e6 Nb6 47. e7+ Kg8 48. f7+ Resigns.

That game typifies the luck I had in winning at the Midwest Class. My opponents were kind enough to

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CLASS D		score								tour	
1	DOGGETT Thomas	IL	1386	W22	W20	W10	W 2	W 6	5	32	D
2	WRIGHT Denny L	WI	1347	W14	W25	W 3	L 1	W11	4	12	D
3	NIENART Christopher	IL	1318	W23	W 5	L 2	W12	W 8	4	12	D
4	PEKOVIC Jusuf	IL	1312	W32	W18	L 8	W21	W 9	4	12	D
5	DANIEL Travis	IN	1274	W16	L 3	W30	W10	W15	4	12	D
6	LOPEZ Philip	IL	1293	W30	D12	W11	W 8	L 1	3.5	7	D
7	MC CLEARY Ryan	IN	1239	L 8	D24	W27	W26	W18	3.5	7	D
8	WRONSKI Edmond	IL	1345	W 7	W15	W 4	L 6	L 3	3	6	G
9	GRANT Ray M	WI	1323	D27	W19	H	W20	L 4	3	6	D
10	DECKER Shawn L	IL	1323	W26	W13	L 1	L 5	W23	3	6	C
11	WIDING Robert	IL	1280	W24	W21	L 6	W18	L 2	3	6	D
12	HUDSON Benjamin R	IL	1241	W33	D 6	D15	L 3	W25	3	6	D
13	DELAMORA Salvador	IL	1205	W19	L10	L18	W22	W20	3	6	D
14	PENA Andy G	IL	1197	L 2	W32	L20	W29	W21	3	6	DE
15	WISHNER Michael	IL	1274	X	L 8	D12	W25	L 5	2.5	5	D
16	LUNG Jonathan	IL	1046	L 5	H	L26	W32	W28	2.5	5	DE
17	OHLSHAUSEN David B	IL	923	L20	D26	W24	D23	H	2.5	5	DEF
18	HARVEY Michael	OR	1382	W29	L 4	W13	L11	L 7	2	4	D
19	CUMMINGS Michael	IL	1371	L13	L 9	W32	W30	-	2	4	D
20	NEESE Brian A	IL	1260	W17	L 1	W14	L 9	L13	2	4	D
21	PETTYE Isalah	IL	1239	W28	L11	W31	L 4	L14	2	4	D
22	LOPEZ Eugene C	IL	1228	L 1	W27	L25	L13	W29	2	4	D
23	JURGENSEN Alan	IL	1222	L 3	X	H	D17	L10	2	4	D
24	MORAN Wesley	IL	1150	L11	D 7	L17	W27	D26	2	4	DE
25	ILIC Lazar S	IL	1135	W31	L 2	W27	L15	L12	2	4	DE
26	SMITH Garrett L	IN	1130	L10	D17	W16	L 7	D24	2	4	DE
27	FISHMAN Joey	IL	1114	D 9	L22	L 7	L24	W30	1.5	3	DE
28	KORPI Edwin	MI	1341	L21	L30	L29	B	L16	1	2	D
29	CETERSKI Martha	MI	1214	L18	L31	W28	L14	L22	1	2	D
30	PLUMMER William	IL	1204	L 6	W28	L 5	L19	L27	1	2	D
31	WIDING Daniel R	IL	1098	L25	W29	L21	-	-	1	2	DE
32	MC ANULTY Roberts	IL	1096	L 4	L14	L19	L16	H	0.5	1	DE
33	HARVEY Michael	OK	1382	L12	-	-	-	-	0	-	-

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CLASS B		score								tour	
1	HART Vincent J	IL	1713	W23	W24	W10	W11	D 5	4.5	19	B
2	BARTHEL Jim	IL	1725	W30	W25	W 9	L 5	W11	4	12	B
3	FLORES Joshua	IL	1696	H	W19	D17	W22	W 9	4	12	B
4	PEARSON Kenneth	WI	1662	L 6	B	W31	W12	W13	4	12	B
5	LUNG Richard	IL	1569	W34	H	W26	W 2	D 1	4	12	BC
6	CETERSKI Tom	MI	1723	W 4	L 8	D 7	W25	W17	3.5	7	B
7	BARTLETT Robert W	MO	1639	L11	W27	D 6	W26	W14	3.5	7	B
8	CYGAN Joseph	IL	1617	W33	W 6	L11	D15	W21	3.5	7	B
9	ZAZOVSKIY Vilorik	IL	1785	X	W14	L 2	W17	L 3	3	6	B
10	LEUNG Daniel Y	IL	1773	W21	W15	L 1	H	H	3	6	B
11	COOPER Justin M	KY	1741	W 7	W28	W 8	L 1	L 2	3	6	B
12	SKLEBA Thomas J	IL	1616	H	H	W21	L 4	W25	3	6	B
13	JAREDI Salar	IL	1706	D32	F17	W19	W29	L 4	2.5	5	B
14	ALBERTS Walter A	IL	1700	W19	L 9	D18	W16	L 7	2.5	5	B
15	HERR Hans	IN	1687	W20	L10	W24	D 8	-	2.5	5	B
16	TERBELL William A	IL	1468	L28	B	H	L14	W26	2.5	5	BC
17	WEST Jonathan	NY	1453	W22	X13	D 3	L 9	L 6	2.5	5	BC
18	KOUNEVICH Matthew	IL	1446	W36	L26	D14	L20	W27	2.5	5	BC
19	HENDERSON Harold	IN	1783	L14	L 3	L13	W31	W28	2	4	B
20	HRIVILIN Jay	IL	1731	L15	L21	W35	W18	-	2	4	B
21	LUTZKE Rick W	IL	1696	L10	W20	L12	W24	L 8	2	4	B
22	GAPUZ Wilfredo C	IL	1648	L17	W23	W30	L 3	-	2	4	B
23	DOFFY James W	IL	1600	L 1	L22	L27	W35	W31	2	4	B
24	KARAGIANIS Pete D	IL	1577	W27	L 1	L15	L21	W37	2	4	BC
25	HANLON Richard B	MO	1555	W35	L 2	W28	L 6	L12	2	4	BC
26	ALLISON Roger D	IL	1714	H	W18	L 5	L 7	L16	1.5	3	B
27	BLAINE Roger E	IN	1700	L24	L 7	W23	D28	L18	1.5	3	B
28	DE MASTRI John	IL	1678	W16	L11	L25	D27	L19	1.5	3	B
29	VENUSO Michael A	IL	1574	H	D31	H	L13	-	1.5	3	BC
30	BUDNEY Paul E	CT	1622	L 2	W35	L22	-	-	1	2	B
31	HAYRD Douglas	IL	1481	H	D29	L 4	L19	L23	1	2	BC
32	SMITH Harry A	IL	1754	D13	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-
33	ALLISON Roger D	IL	1714	L 8	-	-	-	-	0	-	-
34	FLORES Joshua	IL	1696	L 5	-	-	-	-	0	-	-
35	DELAY Joe	IL	1687	L25	L30	L20	L23	-	0	-	-
36	TERBELL William A	IL	1468	L18	-	-	-	-	0	-	-
37	LEFEW William	IL	-	-	-	-	-	L24	0	-	-

avoid the weakest links in my opening repertoire; i.e., no c3 Sicilians or obscure gambits. In addition, I correctly guessed what my opponents would do at a few key points. Finally, when the variations I had calculated did not reach the results I had expected, my pieces were not hanging as they have been so many times before. Instead I was always able to find some other way to fight for the advantage. Not the kind of play that will scare the masters, but perhaps enough to put a dent in a class. In any case, my wife won't have cause to complain about entry fees for awhile.

Why I didn't Win the Big Prize at the Oct'99 Midwest Class Tourney

Howard Cohen

The last weekend in Oct. I decided to play in the CCA Midwest Class. The lure of winning the large prize money of \$1000 made up for the large entry fee, and the hotel site in the Western suburbs was terrific. I didn't do too badly. I ended up winning all except one of my games which got me the small prize money. Come inside my chess mind, and see what happens when the amateur chess player panics, and blows the important chess games. Then again this may be familiar territory to most of you. Here is why I did not win the big \$1000 prize. ...

My thoughts are listed

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Oh no another Russian player!

1 b4 Nf6 What is this? Nobody plays this stuff? I can't play e5 since he is bound to be booked up on that. Let's try Indian def. 2 Bb2 e6 3 b5 b6 I refuse to be killed by a lousy b-pawn! I must stop this madness! 4 Nf3 Bb7

5 e3 Be7 6 Be2 c5 7 O-O Qc7 Ok, so he threw me a Russian curve. Yet I'm developing with both my B & Q ready to attack the kingside. 8 c4 Ng4 9 h3 Bf6 Nf6 is safer, but this way I get rid of his B 10 B:f6 B:f3? What fine in between move I've found! I am chess genius! Can't ignore the Qh2 mate threat. I get both his B and open up my g file for my kingside attack 11 hg B:e2 12 Q:e2 gf 13 Qf3! O-O I am chess fish! How could I miss this? Now Rusky will win my R. Time to get the king safely castled. 14 Q:f6 d6 What Russian trick is this? Why didn't he take the R? Maybe he doesn't want to play

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CLASSES E/BELOW		score									
Tour											
1	MEISTER Mark	1117	W51	W45	W25	W 6	D 3	4.5	19	E	
2	INSKEEP Ben	1030	W53	W42	D15	W 9	W16	4.5	19	E	
3	LACKSON Angelo R	904	W43	W 5	W33	W17	D 1	4.5	19	EF	
4	SMITH Derek E	1151	W37	W38	L 6	W24	W25	4	12	E	
5	DIAMOND William F	1084	W46	L 3	W39	W26	W27	4	12	E	
6	LAGOUROS Evan	1018	W16	W18	W 4	L 1	W15	4	12	E	
7	FERGUSON James R	883	L10	W58	W35	W34	W17	4	12	EF	
8	ABRAMS Scott	850	D12	W28	W18	D11	W23	4	12	EF	
9	KLINK Steven	1150	H	W14	W47	L 2	W30	3.5	7	E	
10	BERNBERG Michael	1091	W 7	W36	H	D15	D13	3.5	7	E	
11	MORGAN Les	1079	W52	W50	D30	D 8	D14	3.5	7	E	
12	HEMMINGER Doug	1061	D 8	L16	W55	W31	W32	3.5	7	E	
13	VON HATTEN Jeremy	917	W28	W19	L17	W20	D10	3.5	7	EF	
14	LANG Tristan J	753	W34	L 9	W36	W29	D11	3.5	7	EF	
15	BERGELSON Bob	1199	W24	W49	D 2	D10	L 6	3	6	E	
16	BLOCK Joe	1167	L 6	W12	W37	W30	L 2	3	6	E	
17	RICE Jason	1110	W40	W35	W13	L 3	L 7	3	6	E	
18	GASUNAS Anthony C	1102	W59	L 6	L 8	W50	W35	3	6	E	
19	SLIGOWSKI Scott	1101	X	L13	W38	L23	W36	3	6	E	
20	CUNCAN Thomas	1092	W26	L25	W50	L13	W38	3	6	E	
21	LAUGER Lloyd	1071	L30	L37	W53	X51	W39	3	6	E	
22	FRANKEL Eitan S	1048	H	H	W51	L25	W42	3	6	E	
23	VILLARREAL Efraim	1018	W27	L30	W42	W19	L 8	3	6	E	
24	POTTS Kevin J	972	L15	W41	W32	L 4	W34	3	6	EF	
25	LEWIS Jonathan	960	W32	W20	L 1	W22	L 4	3	6	EF	
26	SUMMERS Todd	895	L20	W43	W49	L 5	W33	3	6	EF	
27	COOPER Willow R	817	L23	B	W45	W33	L 5	3	6	EF	
28	LEWIS Richard	1146	L13	L 8	W57	H	W47	2.5	5	E	
29	METZ Veronica	996	L42	W53	H	L14	W44	2.5	5	EF	
30	DAVIS Robert D	875	W21	W23	D11	L16	L 9	2.5	5	EF	
31	PAUL Gabriel S	765	D54	L32	W44	L12	W45	2.5	5	EF	
32	REYES Donald	1185	L25	W31	L24	W47	L12	2	4	E	
33	DECKER Samuel	1075	W41	W39	L 3	L27	L26	2	4	E	
34	HEUER Josh A	1038	L14	W46	W40	L 7	L24	2	4	E	
35	DAMASHEK Elliot	1023	W48	L17	L 7	W40	L18	2	4	E	
36	CHEN Byron	991	W58	L10	L14	W52	L19	2	4	EF	
37	PHELPS Douglas	957	L 4	W21	L16	L42	W52	2	4	EF	
38	VAN RYN Larry	909	W56	L 4	L19	W41	L20	2	4	EF	
39	HIRSHMAN Sam	897	X	L33	L 5	W58	L21	2	4	EF	
40	JEEVANADAM Vinesh	897	L17	W48	L34	L35	W53	2	4	EF	
41	BLACK David	826	L33	L24	W58	L38	W50	2	4	EF	
42	ROCHA Mario	821	W29	L 2	L23	W37	L22	2	4	EF	
43	KIM David E	531	L 3	L26	W60	H	H	2	4	EF	
44	STUMM Jurgen	1164	L50	D52	L31	W48	L29	1.5	3	E	
45	BANZHAF Alex	1022	W57	L 1	L27	H	L31	1.5	3	E	
46	WIRTZ Rob	865	L 5	L34	D48	W55	-	1.5	3	EF	
47	SLOAN Ron	858	H	X54	L 9	L32	L28	1.5	3	EF	
48	VAN PETTEN Curtis	675	L35	L40	D46	L44	W58	1.5	3	EF	
49	JURY Frank A	1028	W55	L15	L26	-	-	1	2	E	
50	CHAO Allan S	905	W44	L11	L20	L18	L41	1	2	EF	
51	STAR Jonathan	903	L 1	W57	L22	F21	-	1	2	EF	
52	FISHMAN Isak N	843	L11	D44	H	L36	L37	1	2	EF	
53	PENA Cristian	736	L 2	L29	L21	X57	L40	1	2	EF	
54	FRANKEL Eitan S	1048	D31	F47	-	-	-	0.5			
55	KAPLAN William	710	L49	H	L12	L46	-	0.5	1	EF	
56	RICE Jason	1110	L38	-	-	-	-	0			
57	WONG Kyle D	667	L45	L51	L28	F53	-	0			
58	O'BRIEN Jack	615	L36	L 7	L41	L39	L48	0			
59	FORRO Vincent P		L18	-	-	-	-	0			
60	THOMPSON Charles		-	-	L43	-	-	0			

3 pieces vs. my Q after ...Nc6! Now all I need is to develop my N & R. At last, a reprieve! 15 f4 Nd7 16 Qh4 f6 What's this? Oh horrors! My K is not safe. After 17Kf2 he get R on h file. I must defend h7 at all costs! 17 Nc3 Rf7 18 Rf3 Nf8 19 f5 Re8 Developed at last! Next step is to open d & e files for my attack. I can still win! 20 Rf1 Nd7 Oh horrors! My attack must wait. I must defend f6. Can't push e5 yet & let his N get in at d5. Don't panic. Korchnoi like defense can still save the day! 21 Ne4 d5 I got to get N to run away before White's attack kills me. Time to panic & push pawn 22 fe R:e6 23 Nc3 dc Thank goodness he missed 23Ng5! After ...fg; Qg5+,Rg7; Q:d5, I am completely bust! Now I can safely defend f6. With GM Korchnoi-like defense I win. I'm chess genius 24 g5! Ne5 What a simple brilliant move, and I missed it! I am chess fish, pawn grabbing like patzer. Don't panic, I got lots of choices. Let's see if ..fg;Qc4 wins my R(ouch!). IfQe5;Rf5, Qd6; Ne4 with attack (too dangerous!) If ... Qd8;Qc4,Rd8;Ne4 will mate me. If f5;e4 threatens same stuff listed above (No way out!) Well maybe Ne5 & after R trades I can sneak in Ng6 defense 25 R:f6 R:f6 26 gf Qd7 27 Qg3 Ng4 Don't look good, but maybe after h5 I'll only be equal minus. 28 Ne4 b6 Panic time again! I must keep N out! 29 Nd6 h5 30 N:f7 K:f7 31 Qf4 Q:d2? I am only exchange down. Not completely hopeless if I win that pesky f6 pawn. Wait I can take the d2 pawn (See fish grow gills!) 32 Qc7+ Ke6 Only move stops mate 33 Qe7+ Kd5 34 Qd7+ Resign

Midwest Class		October 27-29, 2000						
UNRATED		score						
1	VAN PETTEN Jim IL	W8	W3	W2	W4	W5	5	
2	RHONEY Shawn M IL	W7	W4	L1	W5	W6	4	
3	WINIECKI Robert IL	W5	L1	L4	B	W7	3	
4	LEFEW William IL	W6	L2	W3	L1	B	3	
5	PAUL Barry S IL	L3	W6	W7	L2	L1	2	
6	THOMPSON Charles IL	L4	L5	B	W7	L2	2	
7	FORRO Vincent P IL	L2	B	L5	L6	L3	1	
8	COOPER Willow R KY	817	L1	-	-	-	0	

Here is one of my wins. It was played against one of the guys from the "Hispanic Mafia" You may have run into them. They all learn from the Hector H. & Josh Flores School of chess. This game I think I'll keep my thoughts to myself! ...

Roberto Chavez Howard Cohen

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 d6 3 Bf4 G6 4 e3 Bg7 I am defending vs. the London system that is the Hispanic Mafia's favorite. ... 5 Bd3 Nbd7 6 Nc3 Nh5 7 Bg3 e5 8 de N:g3 9 hg N:e5 10 N:e5 B:e5 11 Qd2 Be6 12 Rd1 f5 . 13 g4 Qf6 14 gf gf If...B:f5;Nd5,Qf7;BxB, gf with plus for White 15 Ne2 B:b2 16 c3 Ba3 17 Rb1 Bc5 18 Nf4 O-O-O If18R:b7?,Bb6 &19... O-O-O wins for Black 19 Qc2 Bd7 20 Nd5 Qe5 21 Qb3 Bc6 22 Bf5+? Kb8 23 e4 Rde8 24 Kf1 Rhf8 25 g4 R:f5! Without his B White's defense falls apart... 26 gf Q:e4 27 Rh2 B:d5 28 c4 Qe2+ 29 Kg1 Rg8+ 30 Rg2 Q:f2+ 31 Kh1 QxR Mate

Hopefully I'll have more games like this, and not miss winning moves when they are available. Until we meet over the chessboard, keep looking for those fun sacs & winning lines!

Games from The Midwest Class

Albert Chow

Goldin,A - Young,A [D21]

Midwest class Oakbrook (5), 29.10.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nf3 dxc4 4.Qa4+ [4.e3 Nf6 5.Bxc4 c5 Transposes to the Classical Queens Gambit Accepted.] 4...Qd7!? 5.Qxc4 Qc6! Forcing the trade of Queens. 6.b3 [Alternatives include 6.e3 ; and 6.Nbd2] 6...Qxc4 7.bxc4 b6 8.e4 Bb7 9.Nbd2 Ne6 10.a3 Nf6 11.Bb2 Ne7!? 12.Bd3 Ng6 13.0-0 Be7 14.Rfe1 Nd7 Goldin seems to stand better, but Angelo holds the defence. 15.g3 f6 16.h4 0-0 17.Bf1 Rfd8 18.Bh3 Ngf8 19.Rac1 Rab8 20.Re2 a5 21.Nb1 Ba6 22.Rec2 Bd6 23.Bf1 c5 24.e5 Be7 25.d5 exd5 26.cxd5 Bxf1 27.Kxf1 Nxe5 28.Nxe5 fxe5 29.Bxe5 Bd6 30.Bxd6 Rxd6 31.Nc3 b5 32.Rd2 c4 33.Ne4 Rdd8 Draw agreed, giving Goldin a share of first prize. 1/2-1/2

Karklins,A - Szpisjak,S [C50]

Midwest class (5), 29.10.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Ne3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 The Old fashioned Giuoco Pianissimo. 6.a3 Be6 7.Bxe6 fxe6 8.Na4 Bb6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Ng5 Qe7 11.f4 0-0 12.0-0 h6 13.Nf3 exf4 14.Bxf4 Nxe4!? [Safe was the solid 14...e5] 15.Bxb6! gxb6 16.dxe4 Rf4 [Good was 16...Qg7] 17.e5!? A gambit in place of the normal 17.Qe2 17...dxe5 [Exchanges aid the defence with 17...Nxe5! 18.Nxe5 Rxf1+] 18.g3 Rf6 19.Qe2 Rxf8 20.e3 Qf7 21.Nd2 Qg6 22.Rxf6 Rxf6 23.Ne4 Rf4 24.Re1 Kg7 25.Kb1 Rf7 26.b4 Qf5 27.Kg2 Ne7 28.Rf1 Qxf1+ 29.Qxf1 Rxf1 30.Kxf1 Kg6 31.Ke2 Kf5 32.Kf3 h5 33.h3 Ne8 34.g4+

hxg4+ 35.hxg4+ Kg6 36.c4 Nd6 37.e5 Ne4 [37...bxc5! 38.Nxc5 Kf7=] 38.a4 Nb2?? 39.c6!! bxc6 40.a5 bxa5 41.bxa5 Ne4 42.a6 Nb6 43.a7 Na8 44.Nc5 Black resigns 1-0

Karklins, A - Williams, V [B70]

Midwest class (4), 29.10.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.g3 g6 Black transposes to the Dragon Sicilian. 7.Nde2 Bg7 8.Bg2 0-0 9.b3?! [More solid and natural seems 9.0-0! or even 9.h3] 9...Bg4! 10.Bb2 Qa5! Black takes the initiative as White is behind in development. 11.Qd2 [Maybe White could equalize with 11.0-0 Nxe4 12.Bxe4 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Bxc3 14.Bxc3 Qxc3 15.Bxc6 Qxc6 16.Qxe7 Rfe8 17.Qf6 Re6 18.Qb2 Re2 19.Rac1 Rc8 20.Rfe1] 11...Bxe2! 12.Kxe2 The alternatives are worse and lose material for example: [12.Qxe2? Nxe4!; 12.Nxe2? Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Nxe4+!] 12...Qa6+ 13.Ke1 [With White's king bouncing in the center it seems better to try to trade queens with 13.Qd3!] 13...Rac8 14.Nd1 Rfd8 15.f3 Qb6 16.Bh3 e6 17.Kf1 Qc7 18.c4 Rb8 19.Rc1 Ne5 20.Kg2 Qc6 21.Re1 b5! This traditional freeing break busts open the Moroczky bind. 22.exb5 Qxb5 23.Re3 [More solid was 23.Nf2] 23...Qb7 24.Rec3 a5 [24...Nxe4!? 25.fxe4 Qxe4+ 26.Kg1 (26.Kf2 Qh1) 26...Nf3+ 27.Rxf3 Bxb2] 25.Qe3 Ne8 26.Kg1? d5! 27.exd5 exd5!+ 28.Rc5 d4 29.Qe2 d3 30.Qe3 Nxf3+ 31.Kf2 Nd4 32.Bg2 Qb6 33.R1c4 Ne6 34.Bxg7 N8xg7 35.Rc6 Qb5 36.Bh3 Nf5 37.Qe4 Ng5 38.Qg2 Nxh3+ 39.Qxh3 Qe5 40.Qg4 Re8 41.Kf3 Qe2+ 42.Kf4 h5 43.Rxg6+ fxg6 44.Qxg6+ Ng7 45.Rc7 Rf8+ White resigns 0-1

Lopes, W - Stannov, A [C42]

Midwest class (1), 28.10.2000

[Albert Chow]

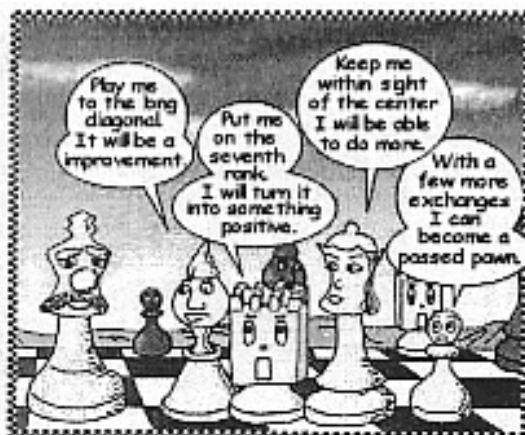
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d4 d5 6.Bd3 Ne6 7.0-0 Be7 8.c4 Nb4 9.Be2 0-0 10.Nc3 b6?! [No need to waste tempo on the fianchetto when there was good classical development such as 10...Be6 or 10...Bf5] 11.a3 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Ne6 13.exd5 [Also good was 13.Re1 or 13.Bf4] 13...Qxd5 14.c4 [If 14.Bf4 Bd6] 14...Qf5 15.Bd3 Qh5 16.Be4 Bb7 17.Ne5?! [Black has counterplay if 17.Qa4 Na5 18.Bxb7 Nxb7 19.Qc6 Na5 20.Qxc7 Bf6; Best was 17.Re1! Bf6 18.Bf4+] 17...Qxd1 18.Rxd1 Na5 19.Bxb7 Nxb7 The endgame could favor black due to White's split queenside pawns. 20.Ne6 Bf6 21.Be3 [21.Bf4] 21...Rfe8 22.Rac1 Nd8 23.Nb4 [23.Nxd8 Raxd8=] 23...c6 24.Na6? Re8 25.a4 Nb7! The knight on the rim is grim! 26.d5 e5! 27.Re1 Re4! 28.Bd2 [28.f3? Rxe3! 29.Rxe3 Bd4 30.Kf2 Re8 31.Rcc3 Nd6+] 28...Rd4 29.Be3 Rd3 30.Bf4 g5 31.Bg3 Ra3 32.d6 Rd8 33.Rcd1 Rxa4 34.Nc7 Rxc4 35.Nd5 Bd4 36.Ne7+ Kf8 37.Nc6 Rd7 38.Nb8 Rxd6! 39.Bxd6+ Nxd6+ 40.Ne6 Nb5 41.Re1 Nc3 42.Kf1 a5 43.Re7 Ra4 44.Rb7 b5 45.Re1 Bf6 46.Ra7 b4 47.Rxa5 b3 48.Rxa4 Nxa4 49.Rb1 b2 50.Na5 Ke7 51.Nc4 Ke6 52.Ke1 Kd5 53.Na3 Be3+ 54.Ke2 Bd4 55.Kd3 Nb6 56.Nb5 c4+ 57.Kc2 Be5 58.Nc3+ 0-1

Williams, V - Gurevich, D [A32]

Midwest class (5), 29.10.2000

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 e5 4.g3 [White could enter the Benoni with 4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nc3 g6] 4...exd4 5.Nxd4 Qc7 6.b3 Bb4+ 7.Bd2 Be5! 8.Be3 Ne4! 9.Bg2 Nxc3 10.Nxc3 a6 [10...Nc6!?] 11.0-0 Be7 12.Qd2 0-0 13.Rfd1 Ne6 14.Nc2?! Instead of retreat, better was [14.e3 or; 14.Rac1] 14...d6 15.Rac1 Rd8 16.Qe3?! [Better was 16.e4! Bd7 17.Ne3] 16...Rb8! 17.Ne1?! Qa5 18.h4 Bd7 19.Nd3 b5! Black is undermining the center while white moves in circles without a clear plan. 20.exb5 axb5 21.Nf4 b4! 22.Na4 [22.Bxc6!? Bxc6 23.Ncd5! Bxd5 24.Nxd5 Bf8! 25.Nf4 Qxa2 And black is a good pawn up.] 22...Ne5 23.Ne5 Be8 24.Na4 Ng4 25.Qf3 Nf6 26.Qc6 Bd7 27.Qc7 Qa6! 28.Qc2 Rdc8 29.Qd3 Bb5! 30.Qd2 Bxa4 31.bxa4 Qxa4+ 32.Bh3 Rc3! 33.Rb1 d5 34.Kh2 Ne4 White resigns, before losing more material. This win gave Gurevich equal first prize money. 0-1



Spotlight – Jason Duncan

Bill Brock

Meet 12-year-old Jason Duncan. Jason, a 7th grade student at Lincoln Junior High in Naperville, is ranked 29th in the nation among players under 13. His past tournament results include 1st place in the 1998 Illinois State K-5 Elementary, 4th place in the 1999 National 6th Grade Championship (where his only loss was in the final round on board 1), and, in adult tournaments, 1st Class C in the 1999 Illinois Class Championships.

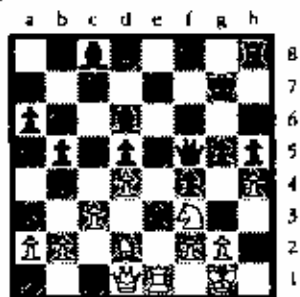
On the basis of his fine performance (+2 =2 -2) in the state championship, he'll be moving up the national rankings very soon. Duncan misplayed a winning ending against Rob Sax; and in a French Defense against Tam Nguyen, Jason stole the Alekhine-Chatard gambit pawn and almost consolidated. Although he was paired up six times, these were his only two losses!

Jason has been studying with his first chess instructor, Joe Splinter, for four years; he has also taken lessons from IM Josh Manion and, more recently, GM Greg Serper. *(The ICA Warren Junior Program provides significant matching funds for our top juniors. to contribute, please send a check to ICA Warren Junior Program, P.O. Box 268541, Chicago IL 60626-8541, or via www.paypal.com to treasurer@illinoischess.org.)* A regular at the St. Charles Chess Club, Jason's other extracurricular interests include flag football and basketball.

In round one, I was Jason's first victim. Incidentally, Jason's conduct at the board, unlike that of some snot-nosed little twerps, is impeccable. He beat me by simply playing good moves—try it!

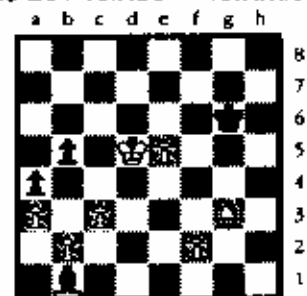
Duncan, Jason (1689) – Brock, Bill (2015) [C89]
 Illinois Open, Arlington Heights (1),
 02.09.2000
[Brock]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 No Petroff today: I wanted to beat the kid fast and head upstairs for a nice long nap. 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d5 Nothing wrong with the Marshall Attack, of course, but is it smart to spot a lower-rated player a pawn? 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Rxe5 c6 12.Bxd5! The Kevitz Variation is a solid counter to the Marshall: White has few winning chances without the Bishop, but Black loses an important attacking piece. 12...cxd5 13.d4 Bd6 14.Re3 Qh4 15.h3 f5?! This move weakens the a2-g8 diagonal, and makes White's attack on the d5 pawn that much more serious. Both Spassky's 15...Qf4 and the main line 15...g4 are better. 16.Qf3! Bb7 This Bishop belongs on the c8-h3 diagonal: on b7, it's very passive. But Black has no palatable alternative. 17.Nd2! The evaluation is ECO's: I was more than a little worried here. 17...Qf6 18.Nf1 Rae8 19.Bd2 f4 20.Re2 Rxe2 21.Qxe2 Bc8 22.Qf3 Qf5 23.Re1 h6 24.Nh2 h5 25.Nf1 g6 26.Nh2 Kg7 27.Qd1 Rh8 28.Nf3 g5 With all my pieces pointing at the White King, I was once again feeling confident about bagging the point. But White has positional trumps to go with the extra button: the e-file, that gorgeous e5 square, and potential targets on d5 and f4. 29.h4! gxf4?



Too desperate to open lines: after 29...g4 30.Ne5 Rf8±, Black has reasonable play. 30.Nxf4 Qg4? Black plans to outplay the inexperienced youngster in the ending—hah! 31.Nf3! Not 31.Qxg4+? hxg4? 31...Bf5 32.Ne5!+- Qxd1 Or 32...Qg5 33.Qf3+- 33.Rxd1 h4 34.Bxf4 h3 35.gxh3 Rxf3 36.Kg2 Rh5 37.Rg1! After 37.Rh1? Rxf1 38.Kxh1 Bxe5! Black would have good practical drawing chances in the opposite-color Bishop ending. 37...Kh7

Not my favorite square, but 37...Kf6 38.Ng4+ Bxg4 39.Bxd6+- is worse. With a pair of Rooks on the board, the opposite-color Bishops don't mean as much. 38.Kf3 Rh3+ 39.Rg3?! Sufficient to win, but why even give Black the chance? 39...Rxf3+ 40.Bxg3 Bxe5 41.dxe5 Kg6 42.Ke3! Heading straight for the Queenside. 42...Bb1 43.a3 a5 The straightforward 43...Kf5 allows White to head for a6: 44.Kd4 Ke6 45.Kc5 Bd3 46.Kb6+- So Black sacrifices the d5 pawn to pursue his dream of a total blockade on the white squares. 44.Kd4 a4 The versatile King also threatens to support the e-pawn: 44...Ba2 45.Kc5 Bc4 46.Kd6+- 45.Kxd5



45...Kf5? The next day, I met Dmitry Gurevich on the hotel elevator and told him that I thought I'd missed a possible blockade

draw in an opposite-color Bishop ending three pawns down. Dmitry said that such a position would be extremely rare, as the superior side can usually sac a couple pawns to create another passer. And so too here.... 45...Ba2+! is Black's best practical try, but 46.Kd6 Kf5 47.Bh4 Bc4 48.Bd8 Be6 49.Bb6 Bc4 50.Be3 Be6 51.Bc1! Bc4 52.Kc5 (William Aramil's 52.f4 wins too) 52...Kxe5 53.b3 Bxb3 (53...axb3 54.a4! Ke4) 54.Kxb5 smashes the blockade. Still, this would have been better resistance. 46.a6! I should have resigned here, but needed a few minutes to adjust to reality.... 46...Ba2+ 47.Kc5 Kxe6 48.Kxb5 Bb3 49.c4 Kd7 50.c5 Kc8 51.c6 Kd8 52.Bd6 Kc8 53.f4 1-0

Aramil, William (1889) -
Duncan, Jason (1689) [A89]
Illinois Open, Arlington Heights (6),
04.09.2000
[Brock]

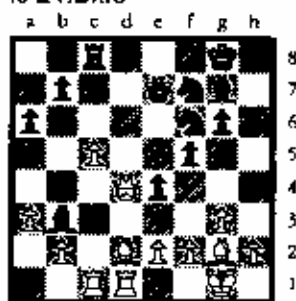
Aramil refutes the Leningrad Dutch, but Jason scrambles to victory anyway.

1.d4 f5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.0-0 0-0 6.c4 d6 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Qc2 e5 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Rd1 Qe8 11.Nd5 e4 12.Ng5 h6 13.Nxc7 Qe7 14.Nxa8

Fritz likes 14.Bf4! hxg5 15.Bd6+- Now Black gets reasonable compensation, as White is trading two active horses for a lame Rook on a8.

14...hxg5 15.Bxg5 Be6 16.Rac1 Rxa8 17.a3 Ne5 18.c5 Rc8 19.Qa4

a6 20.Qd4 Nf7 21.Bd2?
Better is 21.Bxf6=



21...Bb3! 22.c6

After 22.Re1 Nd5, Her Majesty is trapped in midboard!

22...Bxd1 23.Bb4 Qc7 24.cxb7 Qxc1 25.bxc8Q+ Qxc8 26.Qxd1 Qd7 27.Qb3 Nd5 28.Bc5 Be5 29.a4 Qc6 30.Ba3 Nb6 31.a5 Qc1+ 32.Bf1 Nc4 33.Bb4 Nd2 34.Bxd2 Qxd2 35.Qb6 Qd6 36.Qb3 Kg7 37.e3 Qc5 38.Bxa6 Qxa5 39.Qb7 Qa1+ 40.Kg2 Qxb2 41.Qe7 Bf6 42.Qd7 Qb4 43.Be2 Qd6 44.Qe8 Ne5 45.h3 Qd2 46.Bf1 Qd1 47.Qb5 Nd3 48.Qd7+ Kh6 49.Bxd3 exd3 50.Qf7 Qa1 51.Qf8+ Kh7 52.Qf7+ Bg7 53.h4 d2 54.h5 Qa8+ 55.Kh2 d1Q 56.Qxg6+ Kh8 0-1

Duncan, Jason (1705) -
Karklins, Erik (2000) [B16]
Master Challenge, Elmhurst (3),
17.06.2000

[Brock]

In this battle of the generations, Illinois' top player under 13 does battle with the U.S.'s number two player over 80.

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Nxf6+ gxf6 6.Bc4 e6

7.Nf3 Na6 8.0-0 Nc7 9.Re1 Bg7 10.c3 0-0 11.Qc2 Nd5 12.Bd3 Kh8 13.Bd2 Qd6 14.c4 Nf4 15.Bxf4 Qxf4 16.Rad1 Bd7 17.Re4 Qd8 18.c5 Qc7 19.Rh4 f5 20.Ng5 h6 21.Qe2 Qd8 22.Qh5 Qf6 23.Nf3 Qg6 24.Ne5 Qxh5 25.Rxh5 Be8 26.Rh3 Rd8 27.Bc2 Bd7 28.Ra3 a6 29.Rb3 Bc8 30.Rbd3 Bxe5 31.dxe5 Rd5

Forced: otherwise White has a massive positional advantage after Rd6.

32.Rxd5 cxd5 33.Ba4?! 33.f4

33...Rd8 34.Rd4 Bd7 35.Bxd7

35.Bc2±

35...Rxd7 36.f4 Rc7 37.Rb4?! Kg7

38.Kf2 f6?! 38...Rxc5!?

39.Rxb7 Rc2+=

39.Ke3! fxe5 40.fxe5 Kf7 41.Kd4

Ke8 42.Rb6 Kf7 43.b4 Ke7 44.a4

h5 45.b5 axb5 46.axb5 Kd7

47.Rd6+ Ke7 48.Rb6 Kd7



The players agreed to a draw here. While it's good to respect one's elders, 48...Kd7 49.g3! puts Black in zugzwang: e.g., 49...Ke7 50.c6+- ½-½

New website, ChessCalendar.com.

This new site lists name, date, city and contact info (link if available) for most tournaments we're aware of, especially those held Fridays through Sundays. One of the ideas behind this new site is to provide free publicity for tournaments which are not listed in Chess Life or School Mates due to the increased TLA fees, or because they could not be submitted in time. This site provides a regional listing with many more events than the state listings in Chess Life, and also may be of help to organizers wishes to minimize scheduling conflicts.

Another new website we have recently started is USCFnews.com, presenting news and views about USCF. Everyone is invited to submit news or opinion material on any USCF issue for possible posting on this site.

Jeff Davis Wins Year 2000 Normal, IL November Open William Barton, Larry Cohen Tie For 2nd

By Dennis Bourgerie, Tournament Director

Playing black 3 games out of 4, Jeff Davis (1681) of Mahomet, IL defeated Tony Brown (1337), Earl Kennell (1227), William Naff (2000) and Bradley Watts (1905) to take undisputed 1st place at the Normal November Open.

Davis played the Center Counter Defense en route to his 4-0 score, overcoming severe time pressure in his games with Kennell and Naff. The tournament format was a 4 round swiss system, Game in 80 minutes with accelerated pairings.

Davis was followed closely by William Barton (1698) of Bloomington, IL with 3.5-0.5 and Larry Cohen (1995) with 3.5-0.5. Barton and Cohen drew their 4th round game.

Following is a list of the cash prize winners:

1st place overall: Jeff Davis

2nd place overall: tie between William Barton and Larry Cohen 3.5-0.5.

Best Score for an under 2000 rated player: tie between William Barton and Larry Cohen.

Best Score for an under 1600 rated player was a 3 way tie between:

Suryaprakash Kopula (1558) of Bloomington, IL,

Adam Chambers (1569) of Normal, IL and

Shankar Ramamoorthy (1569) of Bloomington, IL., all scoring 3-1.

Best score for an under 1200 rated player: George Spiros, (1149) of Utica, IL 2.5-1.5.

The trophy winners were as follows:

1st place: Jeff Davis-4,

Class A: Larry Cohen-3.5,

Class B: William Barton-3.5,

Class C: Suryaprakash Kopula-3,

Class D: Scott Schmidt (1327) of Bloomington, IL 2.5,

Class E: George Spiros, 2.5,

Under 1000: Jon Achelpohl (994) of Bloomington, IL, 2 and

Top score for an unrated player, Shreevardhan Reddy of Bloomington, IL., 2.

I directed the 38 player, 1 section, Illinois Chess Association Mini-Tour tournament. Accelerated pairings were used for the first 2 rounds. My personal feeling is that the accelerated pairings produce games that are more evenly contested and thus provide for a better tournament for the majority of the players.

A traumatic incident occurred at the beginning of the tournament---a tournament director's nightmare. All players had just been registered when I attempted to print a player registration list. At that moment, the computer and printer chose to totally "freeze up". I had been so overstressed trying to register the heavy influx of entries, plus U. S. Chess Federation memberships, plus Illinois Chess Association memberships, that I had totally forgotten to do computer "saves" as I was doing the entries.

This means that if we can't snap the computer out of its freeze, all the data is lost. Fortunately Shankar Ramamoorthy stepped in, and after many difficulties and some sweating, praying and cursing under our breaths, the data was recovered, and we managed to get started, albeit a few minutes late. In the future, I plan to save the data periodically, no matter how rushed I get.

Editor's note: due to the new size of the ICB, there is not enough room for the games. They will be used in the next issue. Thank you.

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WHERE TO PLAY

Addison Trail High School
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