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Our thanks to Kaneland Senior High School and Mr. Robert Burkholder for their generous contribution to the ICA Junior Chess Program in memory of Jarrett Burkholder.

Jarrett, who was a freshman on the Kaneland school chess team, was tragically killed in a car accident on March 3. Kaneland H.S. had intended to participate in the state chess championship, but due to wake and funeral arrangements, did not attend. The funds intended for the team's use were donated to the ICA chess program and will be shared between the master in the schools part of the program and individual tutorials for youngsters on USCF's Top Fifty by age lists in our state.

Participation in Kaneland's chess team was an important part of Jarrett's life.

Our sympathies to his family and friends who will remember him always.

Helen Warren & The ICA

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## President's Podium

### MORE CHESS TO COME

Summer will soon be upon us, and to a lot of us this means chess. As usual the summer season of chess will kick off with the Chicago Open over the Memorial Day weekend. There will be a number of 1 day tournaments downstate, and hopefully a number upstate (Rockford) as well as in the Chicago metro area. I am still scrambling a little for a site for the first "Officer's Appreciation" tournament. As always there is the usual one monthly quick chess event at Tuley Park.

This year the Illinois Open will be moving back to its previous location (next to the Arlington racetrack) in Arlington Heights, and will as usual be held over the Labor Day [Aug 30-Sep 01] weekend. The tournament will be ably run by Tim Just and Wayne Clark.

I am pleased to announce that this year the Illinois Class will be held in Springfield on the weekend immediately after Thanksgiving [Nov 28-30]. The round times are going to be player friendly for those who have to travel. I believe the time controls will be G/2, with the first round Friday night at 6pm and the final round Sunday at 2pm.

You should start planning now for both of these traditional Illinois Maxi-Tour Events.

On a lighter note I am hoping to somehow arrange for a set of matches, both downstate and in the metro area. 10 years ago Illinois challenged and beat Wisconsin in a series of matches. This time I would like to challenge Indiana. I was thinking along the lines of the metro area [with its large number of chess players] traveling to Indiana [maybe Chesterton] to take on a contingent of players, and that a contingent of Indiana players [from downstate Indiana] could travel into Illinois [maybe the U of I campus] to take on our downstate players. Obviously there are many details to be worked out for this to work, but I was hoping for something either late summer or maybe next year. Does anyone know if Indiana would be interested?

Finally, one of the projects I would like to see complete this year is the posting of the ICA membership list on the web site: [www.illinoischess.org](http://www.illinoischess.org). The point of this would be so players could check up on their expiration, and organizers would have an easy location for finding this information. Moreover, if a current player is not receiving the magazine this will tell them that they are up to date. Thus, they will know that there is an error somewhere with their address & they need to contact [Bill Smythe] the membership secretary for a correction.

Once again I ask people to send in locations where anyone can get a casual [or not so casual] game of chess. I feel a list of these places will enhance chess play, and it will be a nice piece of information for any out of town visitors.

Best 'chess' Regards  
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## *Rave (and Totally Unbiased) Review of the ICA Banquet*

By Vince Hart, ICA Secretary

Pictures By Matt Nemmers



The Illinois Chess Association's Annual Banquet returned to Steven's Steak House in Elmhurst on April 13. Twenty people turned out for some entertaining chess, good conversation, excellent food, announcements of ICA tour winners and the presentation of the Annual ICA Awards. Howard Fried, Howard Cohen and Robert Loncaravic did a great job pulling the banquet together on short notice.



FM Aleksandar Stannov was honored as Player of the Year for his strong results at the Peoria Open, Tim Just's Winter Open, the Rockford Open and the Elmhurst Classic. As a player and a person, Aleksandar has been a terrific ambassador for the game throughout the state. This year's award for Service to the Chess Club

went to Joseph Guth and Gary Sargent of the Rockford Chess Club. Rockford has long been a hotbed of scholastic activity, and Joseph and Gary are helping it become a great place for regular events as well. The award for Service to the Scholastic Community went to Niles North science teacher, Harry Kyriazes, who in four years has turned that school into a major power in Illinois high school chess.

Last, but by no means least, the award for Service to the Chess Community went to Tim Just whose efforts and accomplishments on behalf of both Illinois and national chess are almost too numerous to begin to detail. Just a few highlights: Tim's tournament directing activities include his always well-run Winter Open and will include this year's Illinois Open; Tim has been a frequent director of the US Blind Championship; Tim has at various times filled almost every official post in the ICA as well as countless unofficial ones. Tim's "TD Corner" column has provided invaluable guidance for aspiring tournament directors everywhere. Illinois is lucky to have Tim and we hope to enjoy his contributions for years to come.



This year's Banquet kicked off with a blitz simul where Player-of-the-Year Stannov faced his opponents in groups of three with the clocks set for five minutes. After the meal, Robert Loncaravic organized an impromptu blitz round-robin that IM Angelo Young won with a perfect score of 7-0. Larry Cohen and myself tied for second with 4.5-2.5. Stannov struggled somewhat in the post-meal tournament due to the fact that he kept standing up and trying to make moves on the adjoining boards.



Despite the relatively small turnout, ICA Treasurer Howard Cohen was pleased to report that the event finished slightly in the black thereby ending a string of losses for the banquet. Credit for this feat belongs to Treasurer Cohen, Metro Vice-President Fried, Loncaravic and the gracious management of Steven's Steak House. However, ICA President Larry Cohen also deserves credit for making fiscal responsibility a priority for his administration.



As pleased as the ICA is to get the Banquet out of the expense column, the real goal is to turn it into a source of funds. For this, the input of the members is vital. So if you have any ideas for the banquet, buttonhole Larry Cohen, Howard Cohen, Howard Fried, Dennis Bourgerie or myself next time you see one of us and pass them along. Would you like a blitz tournament? Would you like a bughouse tournament? Would you like scantily clad dancing girls? Please tell us. I can guarantee that you will have to go elsewhere for the dancing girls but at least we will know what you are looking for.

# June 8<sup>th</sup>. Sunday ICA MEETING

Officer's meeting  
12-1:15pm

General meeting  
1:30-4pm.

Tentative location  
will be the Frick  
Center at Elmhurst  
College

## Rating "Prestige?"

by Matt Nemmers

Why do you play chess?

A pretty basic question, right? I used to think that people played for the learning, the excitement, the camaraderie it fosters between closely matched opponents, and most importantly because it's fun. I thought that people sat down across the board together to see who could come up with the best plan; to see whose arsenal of strategic maneuvers and tactical combinations would prove victorious in a game considered the world's greatest test of battlefield technique, without the possibility of actually having one's head blown off by the working end of a rocket-propelled grenade.

Not anymore. Apparently, Professor Elo's mathematical formula for determining strength over the chessboard has transformed from an accurate measurement of chess-playing ability into a full-blown, four-alarm, neurotic obsession.

I've all met all kinds of chessplayers and most of them are very amiable individuals. Some may come off as a little peculiar with their idiosyncratic mannerisms and eccentric tastes, but even these guys are often very likeable fellas. Conversations with them are always interesting and pleasant, provided you don't get them started on Khan's psychological profile in *Star Trek II* or how many miles they've clocked so far this year in their car wearing nothing but their birthday suit. But even if one of these types do come you, they're relatively harmless. These guys don't judge. They simply enjoy fellowship and conversation with like-minded individuals who have a passion for the Royal Game. This is the category that 99% of the chess players I've met fall into.

However, I've met a few pompous, egotistical rating maniacs who, unless your rating is equal to or higher than theirs, won't give you the time of day. It's these unimpressive freak-shows that really chap my hide. These rating snobs look down their noses at the

"underclassmen." They think that if you're not a strong chessplayer then you can't contribute anything positive to your club, let alone the game.

But it doesn't stop there! Let the conversation roll around to money, politics, or something as simple as home decorating . . . these guys still act as if you don't know what you're talking about. You could be an investment banker with a Ph.D. in political science currently hosting *Martha Stewart Living* while she's on hiatus (looking for a new eight by twelve foot throw rug with her lawyers) and you still wouldn't know jack in the eyes of these sneering elitists. Imagine! A middle-aged, unemployed no-load who lives with his parents and doesn't have a car looking down on someone because he can push little pieces of wood around a checkerboard more accurately than someone else. Somebody please sedate these morons.

This is, of course, a pretty extreme example but you get my drift. Not all rating snobs are so overt in their contempt for their "subordinates." Most of the time these self-proclaimed deities in human form just simply ignore the "lower class" and ostentatiously parade around the tournament hall looking for a titled player or even a candidate master to suck on. But I digress. I'm not here to give these haughty, self-important characters a good tongue-lashing or even publicly disapprove of their arrogant behavior, though they definitely deserve it. These guys live pathetic enough lives walking around thinking a number assigned to them by a non-profit organization makes them somehow superior to other chess aficionados without me pointing out the obvious.

The point of this little rant is simply to encourage those enthusiastic people who might have some great ideas to speak up, step up, and get involved. If you've got something to contribute, let's have it! Tell your club director, tell your state association, or even better, start something yourself! Put any apprehension you might have because you're not a whiz-bang chess player on the backburner. Ratings are totally irrelevant when you're doing something to positively promote chess within your neighborhood, school, workplace, or wherever you see a need.



Chess is pretty much swept under the rug here in the Midwest (and throughout the United States!) and we need all the positive influences and publicity we can get. Sure, we need more clubs and players, that's a given; but we're also in dire need of more promoters, organizers, competent tournament directors, and eager club managers who are excited about chess and want to promote the game and its benefits throughout their community. You don't need a high rating to effectively take on any or all of these responsibilities; all you need is motivation, desire, and a love for the game.

If you've wanted to start a club in your area or your kid's school, become a director, run for club office, or just be more active in the everyday happenings of the chess community, make like a Nike commercial and "Just Do It". Don't be afraid to grab the helm if you've got a three-digit rating. C players shouldn't hesitate to take charge if they've got an idea and see an opportunity. Likewise strong players shouldn't discourage the people who want to get involved, even if that person happens to be a little lower on the chessical food chain.

Chess is a game. A great game, granted - one that inspires, enriches, baffles, amazes, and has the power to simultaneously teach us about ourselves and frustrate us to tears - but it's only a game. Don't let someone so deluded to think that skill at this game has any bearing on your ability to affect its impact on others interfere with your enjoyment of it. People who discourage or are indifferent to weaker players are just living vicariously through their rating to cover up a low self-esteem. And like my dad used to say, "People with a low-self esteem have usually earned it."

Now get out there and make something happen.

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## *Interview with WIM Jennifer Shahade*

by Chicagoan Joseph Stevens

January 14, 2003

Joseph is currently shooting an independent documentary on American chess and can be reached at [jojodrs@aol.com](mailto:jojodrs@aol.com).

The Interview takes place in (Seattle, Washington)-during the United States Chess Championships.

We are past the halfway point of this years 2003 Men's and Women's Closed Championships and the rest day is tomorrow. I had the opportunity to sit down and rap with the defending Women's Champion Women's International Master Jennifer Shahade about her chess and future. I first witnessed Jennifer and her brother Greg's emerging talent some years back when the now defunct New York Opens were taking place in a hotel biodome somewhere near the Newark Airport. Anybody who played in these tournaments knows how isolated and trapped we were in the biodome with its one restaurant and one bar. There was nowhere else to go. So I organized an impromptu blitz tournament after the tournament and right in the mix of it was Greg and Jennifer slugging it out with the likes of Grandmaster Loek Van Wely, IM Mike Brooks, FM Emory Tate and a plethora of New York blitz hustlers that were bussed in from the set of the popular chess film, *Searching for Bobby Fischer*. Needless to say, I was not surprised when I learned that Jennifer had taken the Women's title in 2002. Chess runs in the family and her dad is a master of the royal game himself.

*How is the tournament going?*

Right now I have 2 points out of 5 (4 draws-IM Nakamura, GM Serper, FM Enhbat, WGM Donaldson) and one loss (GM Fishbein), which is not so bad but its not so good either.

*Don't you think your brother could have helped you out a little more by beating the front running*

*player in the womens field, Womens Grandmaster Kamile Baginskaite who now has 2.5 points?*

Laughs. He had the black pieces against a really strong opponent and I feel that a draw is not such a bad result. Although I thought that with his excellent opening choice that he had could have possibly won that game.

*Is there any pressure in defending your title?*

A little bit more, there would have been pressure anyway, but I feel that there is a little bit more because of that. I am fourth ranked coming into the tournament and there is a big gap after that in terms of rating. So I am like one of the top four players in the women's tournament but I am not necessarily expected to win first place by any extreme.

*Does defending the title give you a competitive edge?*

I feel a little bit more pressure because even if I don't win I am expected to be at least in it. It is always a very stressful tournament, no matter what, because it's the most important tournament and everybody is watching all your games. It's also a very difficult tournament so it's like, you know, every round, whether you win or lose, you are going to have to play a very strong opponent the next round. Yesterday I lost and I was really upset, but I knew that the next round I was going to be playing somebody really good with the black pieces. You have to get over those losses really quick.

*Does it help having your brother and father here?*

It's helpful. I am still doing the preparations by myself. It's nice to have some people around who you know that are on your side. Even though I have a lot of friends in the tournament it is a competition. Last year I was here by myself without any family and you feel a little bit alone.

*What was your toughest game of the tournament?*

My hardest game was the game that I lost, well, because I lost! It was the one game I lost. It kind of hurt my confidence because I knew what opening I was going to get and I still did not

find anything. I started preparing early in the morning and by the time the round started I still did not have any good ideas of what to play.

*That was the game against GM Fishbein?*

Yes. I do not know why that is. It's a good opening and I just could not figure out what to do. I go there and did not get very much out of the opening, and spent a lot of time on the clock even though I could have prepared everything at home. So I was already down on myself because of that. It's hard psychologically when you go into a game and you know you should have done more at home. It's frustrating because instead of thinking about the position, you're thinking, "What is my problem? Why don't I know this line?"

I played the weekend before in Miami and that helped me get into a better form - I played some strong opponents there. I studied the next week. I just graduated from college at NYU and studied comparative literature and don't expect to make a shitload of money from that. I guess at the moment if I do well in this tournament I will get a good paycheck, but you can't count on that. I make some money from teaching and writing about chess. I make my money from chess. I teach high school students. I teach for Chess in the Schools, which is a nonprofit organization in NY that teaches chess to kids in lower income public schools. Then I teach a couple of private students.

*Have you considered going to Europe?*

I have played in Europe before. I would like to go, but I would have to be specifically training for something, because I would also like to go and see some places that I haven't seen.

*How was the Olympiad? I heard the Women's Team did really well.*

We started off fabulously in the Olympiad. It is weird to be here now because I was used to being on a team with my top competitors here: Kamile, Irina, and Elena. And we were working together to beat these teams, and I felt we had a good relationship on the team. So now it is weird to be now, like, trying to kill them all. That is one thing I really liked about the Olympiad. It is still competitive and there also is this camaraderie and you are trying to help your teammates and

you want everybody to win, and I like that. I played second or third board usually.

*You were on the cover of Chess Life not too long ago. What was that all about? Your hair looks a lot different now.*

I got a lot of compliments on that photograph and I really like the guy who did the photograph and the interview. He was really nice to me and it was great. At the same time I feel that it was very classic, kind of like a glamour photograph, and now I am going for something that expresses my personality more because I had blonde highlights before and that is very traditional, kind of like Brittany Spears. This is more radical, more exciting, more like "Why not have red streaks in your hair?" Right? "Why not do things a little bit differently? Why not play chess instead of going to law school?" So it is all part of the personality, the package.

*Have you had a chance to experience any of the Seattle nightlife after the rounds?*

My brother Greg and I went to a really fun show at the Crocodile. I get really tired from chess because it involves 6 hours analyzing during the game and there is a few hours of preparation. So I love Seattle, it seems really fun. I like the places I have been. I like the Crocodile. I liked that they served food there and that they also have a bar and music. It seems like there are a lot of really great people here that are really friendly and really cool. Unfortunately, I just can't go out every night here. When I come here I sometimes think that it would be nice to live here. I like the size of the city because I was born in Philly - I know Philly is bigger but it feels like the same size. I feel that Seattle probably becomes a small town rather quickly where you get to know people easily, and I would like that.

*Is chess a family affair for the Shahades, and who is that bald guy?*

Greg is still higher rated than me. But he use to be way higher rated than me. For a while he was really into the chess and I wasn't. My dad plays as well. He is a master. He's a very strong chess player. He's not so into it right now.

## Interview with WIM Jennifer Shahade

*What are your goals for the next year?*

I am not thinking that much about titles. I would like to understand chess better. The tournament chess thing is becoming a little bit of a grind and I wanted to make chess more interesting for me again. So one thing I was thinking about doing was, like, learning totally different openings, because that would help my chess too - kind of in a roundabout way. I want to get into end game studies because I find them really beautiful and I don't know much about that whole world. I feel it is another separate sub-culture. I don't feel like end game study and chess people mix that much. There is Timman who writes for New In Chess and is always talking about some end game study tournament. I love end game studies so much but I don't know anything about that world. I am curious about that and I know it would help my chess too to work on end game studies. It helps your calculation. I want to create an end game study. Laughs.

*What's next?*

I need more time to not have a lot of work and responsibilities and figure out what I want to do exactly. Because I need a focus, but at the same time I don't want it to be random like, well, why don't I focus on law school or business school. I really want to decide what I want to do before I jump into it.

*What do your folks think about all of this?*

My parents pretty much approve. They trust me. My dad - I was not sure what to expect, but he was talking about how much he loved my hair, and if your parents are saying that then that is a good sign. And my mother is also very supportive of the fact that we have chosen these slightly alternative lifestyles. It's not very classic. I graduated from college though.

*How's your love life? Enquiring minds want to know?*

I don't have a boyfriend. It's not so easy. I travel a lot. I would be more interested in a non-chess player at this moment just because I know all the chess players.

## Editor's Corner



Hello

I hope this issue of the ICB finds you well. Lots of good chess inside this issue!

Please, take the time to write and let me know what you think or to share your ideas as to how we can improve the ICB.

Here's one email I received from the current Downstate Vice President Dennis Bourgerie informing me that we are now in a state of war. This is the Email:

*Hello Colley Kitson and Ron Suarez*

*Just to let you know-----The Central Illinois Chess Equipment Non-Proliferation Pact is no longer binding. I bought the House of Staunton Rosewood Marshall Series Chess Set.*

*It looks and feels good.*

*Best wishes, Dennis Bourgerie*

And, just like that it changes, nothings ever the same. I must confess I feel a little bit like North Korea in a nuclear arms race with the United States - way behind, and more than a little out gunned. I am reduced to running my mouth and issuing pathetic threats.

Dennis Bourgerie and Ron Suarez began a nuclear arms build-up in chess equipment some years ago. Dennis is now closing in on two-dozen wooden boards and wooden sets or more. Ron buys a set and Dennis buys two.

I have four very nice boards and few nice sets and am left with the empty phrase like Quality over Quantity and Bugs Bunny favorite saying: "Of course you know this means war."

## A 2002 US Open Experience at 68

by James Warren

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It was the first time in this Life Expert's fifty years of chess tournament play that I drew my games with an International Master and a FIDE Master on the same day!

I *did* draw a Grandmaster once. It was the New York State Championship, Poughkeepsie, 1962, where I finished 9<sup>th</sup> in a field of 34. Pal Benko offered me a draw and I refused! (These were my salad days of fearlessness.) Overnight analysis (adjoumments were common after the first time control back then) revealed that my advantage was not enough to win, and after a few moves were made upon resumption of the game we agreed to the draw. Pal Benko won the tournament with 8 1/2-1/2, my draw being the only dent in his score. He remarked to others after the tournament that I was the only one who played a decent game against him. The game made Robert Byrne's column in *The New York Times*, and the game is quoted through move 19 in *MCO*, 10<sup>th</sup> edition, 1965, page 227 Note (i). But I digress.

Now, at the age of 68 (by the time you read this it'll be 69), I began to wonder if it was still possible for me to play chess at anywhere near the level I once did. My recent tournaments have been disasters, in which I've often lost to lower rated players, and not just to underrated juniors. Studies have shown it's down hill for chess players' performances from about age 35 on. There are some exceptions, e.g., GM Samuel Reshevsky and former master Erik Karklins. Perhaps they lost some of their edge but they still played at relatively high levels (each with a different maximum performance measure) well into old age.

Speaking of Reshevsky, he was my first victim in simultaneous play. Someone once referred to me as the Schlechter of simul play because I drew so

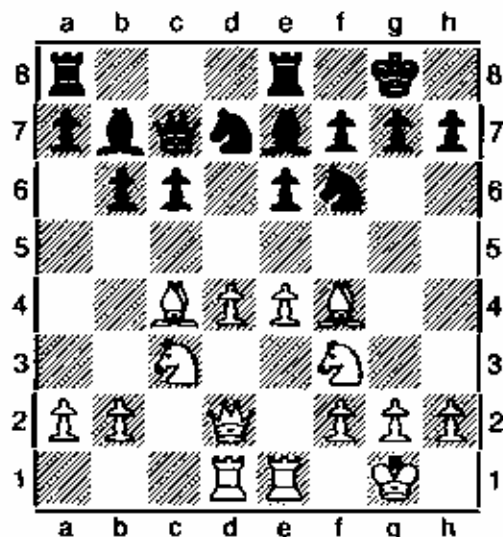
many masters and grandmasters, including three world champions. I beat Reshevsky (Chicago, 1956), drew with IM I. A. Horowitz three times (Boston, 1957 (twice), Syracuse, 1958), drew with GM and future World Champion Bobby Fischer twice (Chicago, 1964, Cicero, 1964—there's an interesting anecdote about my two draws with Fischer—see *A Legend on the Road: Bobby Fischer's 1964 Simul Tour*, by IM John Donaldson, 1994, pp. 57-58 and 116, or *Bobby Fischer - The Complete Games of the American World Chess Champion*, compiled and edited by Lou Hays, 1992, pp. 279 and 292, or the 1995 edition, pp 212 and 233), drew with former World Champion Tigran Petrosian (Forest Park, 1982), drew with GM and Women's World Champion Zhusha (Susan) Polgar (Forest Park, 1985), and drew with former World Champion Boris Spassky (Forest Park, 1986). In the interest of completeness I must confess I did lose to Petrosian once (Chicago, 1972.) By the way, chess historian and International Master John Donaldson believes I am one of only two chess players who played Bobby Fischer more than once on his 1964 simul tour that did not lose at least one game to him.

The Life Expert title was awarded to me in 1996, 39 years after first achieving an expert rating in 1957. I maintained it for the great majority of those years (dropping into Class "A" briefly just twice.) My highest published rating was 2171. Had I withdrawn from the US Open in Omaha, Nebraska, 1959 at the appropriate point I would have had a published masters rating and would have been eligible to play in the US Masters! I had drawn with Senior Master Robert Steinmeyer and IM Eleazar Jimenez, Champion of Cuba. Well, enough reminiscing. We tend to do that when we reach senectitude.

Cherry Hill, New Jersey, a suburb of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was the site of the 2002 U. S. Open. It drew 525 players, including 54 titled players (21 Gms, 15 Ims and 18 Fms.) My 5-4 score of two wins, one loss and six draws (including two half-point byes) tied me for 133<sup>rd</sup>-201<sup>st</sup> (159 on tie-break), while not great due to two draws with lower rated players, was better than in my last several opens.

Just for novelty, let's start with a position reached in my first round game against a very weak

opponent. I achieved, for the first time in my life, what some beginners' books consider White's optimal center control out of the opening: Ps at d4 and e4, Ns at c3 and f3, Bs at c4 and f4, Rs at d1 and e1. (E.g. White's formation is described as "The Perfect Position" on p. 21 of *Chess Battle Strategies* by John Love and John Hodgkins, Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 1979, or see p. 11 of *Elements of Positional Evaluation*, Dan Heisman, CEI, 1999.) The moves leading up to it were 1 d4 d5 2 c4 Nf6 3 cxd5 Qxd5 4 Nc3 Qd8 5 Nf3 c6 6 e4 e6 7 Bg5 Be7 8 Be2 Nbd7 9 O-O O-O 10 Qd2 b6 11 Rad1 Bb7 12 Rfe1 Re8 13 Bc4 Qc7 14 Bf4



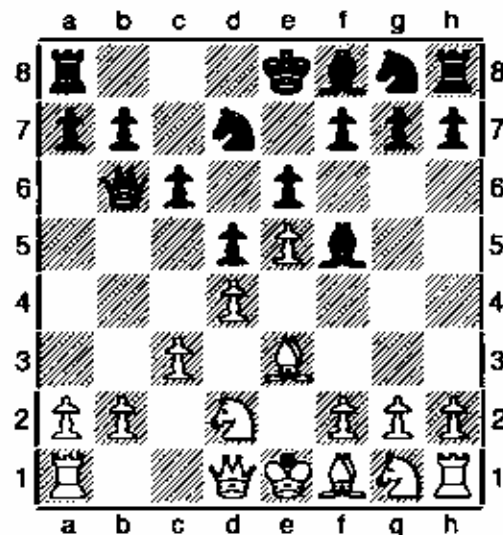
International Master Larry Kaufman earned his IM title in 1980 and has played in at least three U.S. Championships, including the most recent two held in Seattle. In January 2002 he defeated GM Dmitry Gurevich and drew with GMs Yasser Seirawan and Sergey Kudrin. In January 2003 he drew with GM John Fedorowicz.

**Kaufman, Larry (2446)**  
**Warren, James (2000)**  
**Caro-Kann Advance (B12)**

1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 e5

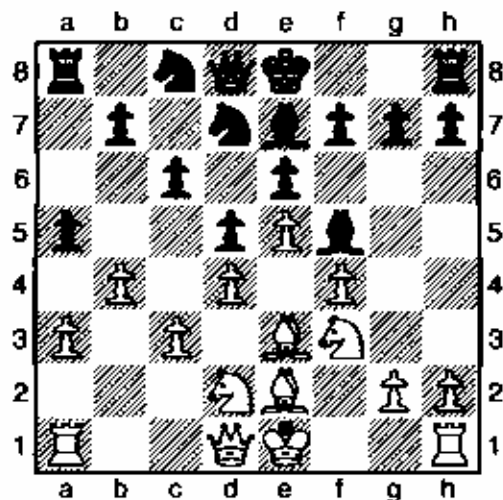
The Advance Variation of the Caro-Kann is very popular these days.

3 ... Bf5 4 Be3 e6 5 Nd2 Nd7 6 c3 Qb6



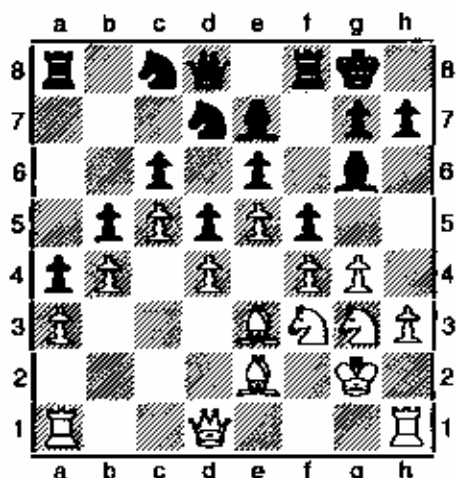
Zaichik-Tal, Tbilisi, 1986 went 6 ... Ne7 7 f4 f6 8 Ngf3 fxe5 9 Nxe5 Nxe5 10 fxe5 Ng6 11 Qh5 Qb6 12 b4 Be7. And Vanka-Laketic, Praha II, 1988 went 6 ... c5! 7 f4 cxd4 8 Bxd4 Ne7 9 Ngf3 Nc6 10 Be2 Bc5 11 Nb3 Bb6 12 Bd3?! =.

7 b4 a5 8 a3 Ne7 9 f4 Nc8 10 Ngf3 Be7 11 Be2 Qd8



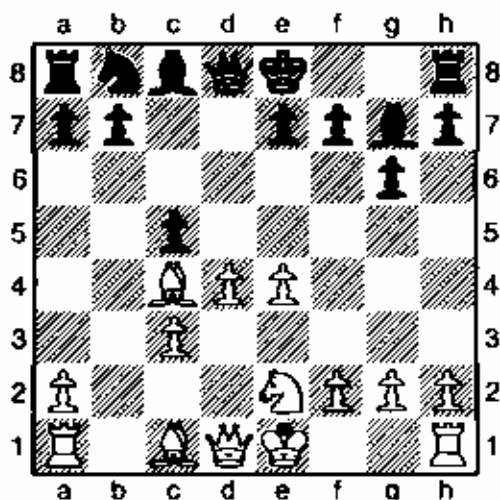
Unable to get in ... c5, Black switches his queen to the defense of the kingside.

12 Kf2 O-O 13 h3 Bg6 14 g4 f5 15 Kg2 a4 16 c4 Ndb6 17 c5 Nd7 18 Nf1 b5 19 Ng3



**Warren, James (2000)**  
**Casella, Michael (2356)**  
**Gruenfeld Defense**

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 cxd5 Nxd5 5 e4  
 Nxc3 6 bxc3 Bg7 7 Bc4 c5 8 Ne2

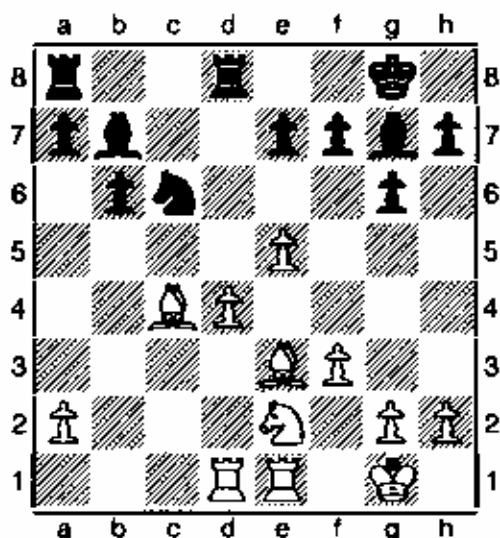
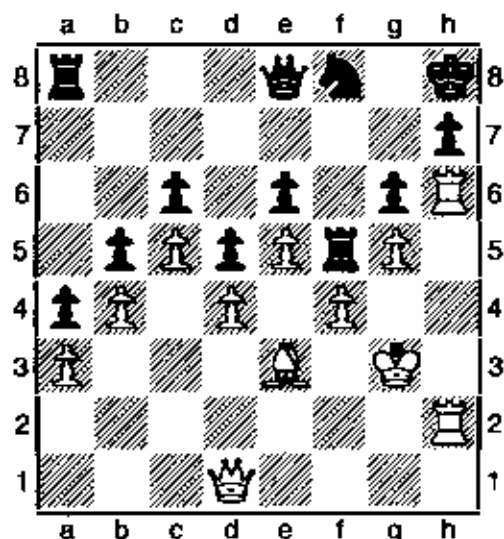


Better is 19 cxb6 followed by pressure on Black's backward c-pawn.

19 ... Kh8 20 h4 fxg4 21 Ng5 Bxg5 22 hxg5 Ne7  
 23 Bxg4 Nf5 24 Nxf5 Bxf5 25 Rh3 Qe8 26 Kg3 g6  
 27 Ra2 Rf7 28 Bxf5 Rxf5 29 Rah2 Nf8 30 Rh6  
 1/2-1/2

White's knight must defend the d-pawn before the bishop does, as 8 Be3 allows 8 ... Qa5 and Black gets an edge as in Garcia-Fischer, La Habana, 1965 (9 Qd2 O-O 10 Rb1 cxd4 11 cxd4 12 Kxd2 Nc6.)

8 ... O-O 9 O-O Nc6 10 Be3 Qc7 11 Rc1 Rd8 12  
 Qe1 Qa5 13 Rd1 cxd4 14 cxd4 Qxe1 15 Rfxe1 b6  
 16 f3 Bb7 17 e5



FIDE Master Michael Casella is a 34-year-old Californian who had an excellent result in the Edward Levy Memorial Tournament in Denver, Colorado earlier last year. He won the Under 2400 prize and his results included a win over GM Alex Yermolinsky and draw with GM Alek Wojtkiewicz. He's also a three-time Connecticut state champion. Jerry Hanken's interview with him appears on page 27 of the September 2002 issue of *Chess Life*.

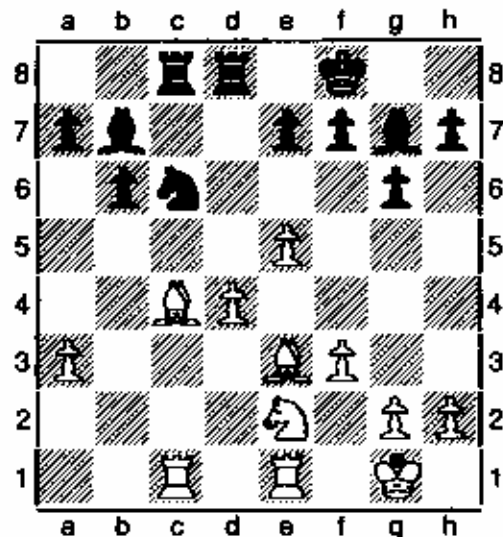
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The text gives Black a stronghold on d5 with N-b4-d5, but Black would stand even better after 17 d5 Ne5.

17 ... Rac8 18 Rc1 Kf8?

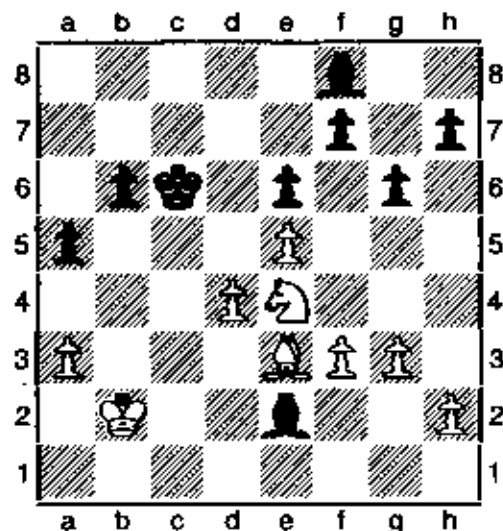
An immediate 18 ... Na5 is stronger as White's king bishop doesn't have a good retreat square.

19 a3!



The text not only clears a2 for White's king bishop, but also prevents the N-b4-d5 maneuver.

19 ... Na5 20 Ba2 Ba6 21 Rxc8 Rxc8 22 Rc1 Rxc1+ 23 Nxc1 Nc4 24 Bxc4 Bxc4 25 Kf2 Ke8 26 Ke1 Kd7 27 Kd2 e6 28 Kc3 Bf1 29 g3 Bf8 30 Kb2 White needs b3 for the knight to get to d2.  
30 ... Kc6 31 Nb3 Be2 32 Nd2 a5 33 Ne4!

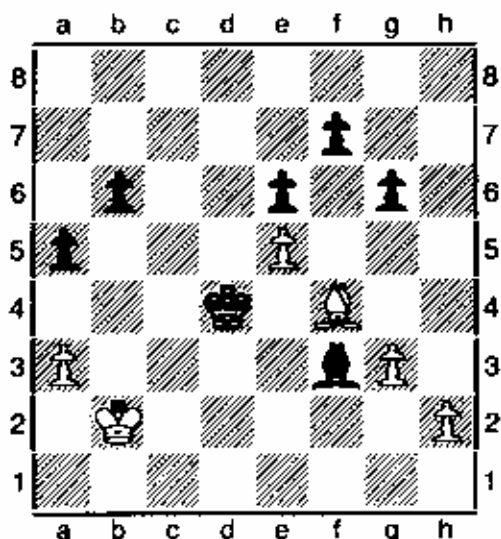


At the expense of a pawn the knight must get active on the kingside.

33 ... Bxf3 34 Ng5 Kd5! 35 Nxh7

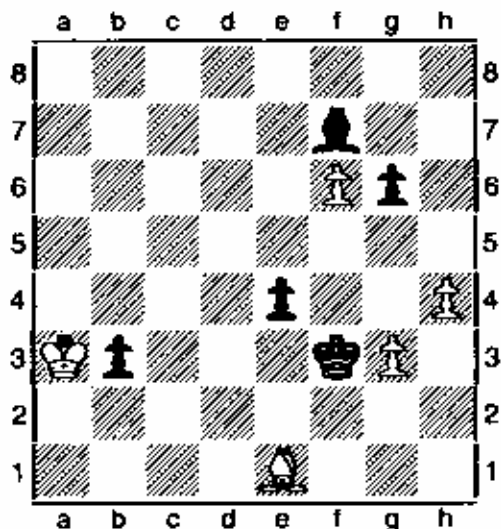
35 Nxf3 Ke4 is untenable for White.

35 ... Ke4 36 Bf4 Be7 37 Ng5+ Bxg5 38 Bxg5 Kxd4 39 Bf4



39 Bf6 is the surer draw. Although it loses the g- or h-pawn, the two pawns down bishops of opposite color ending is easily drawn.

39 ... b5 40 h4 Bd5 41 Kc2 b4 42 axb4 axb4 43 Kb2 Ke4 44 Kc1 b3 45 Kb2 Kf5 46 Kc3 f6 47 exf6 e5 48 Bd2 Kg4 49 Be1 Kf3 50 Kb2 Bf7 51 Ka3 e4





## A Chess Teacher's Pride – His Students!

By Joshua Flores

For a minute White thought he was lost. He envisioned Black getting his pawn to e3, the king to e2, White's bishop to c3 (say), and Black's king to f2, where the pin of the e-pawn loses for White. Then White realized he could simply push the g-pawn followed by the h-pawn. While Black gets White's g- and h-pawns (he must accept to prevent White's h-pawn from pushing past), he loses the b-pawn, then undefended. This does require the White king to remain adjacent to the b-pawn!

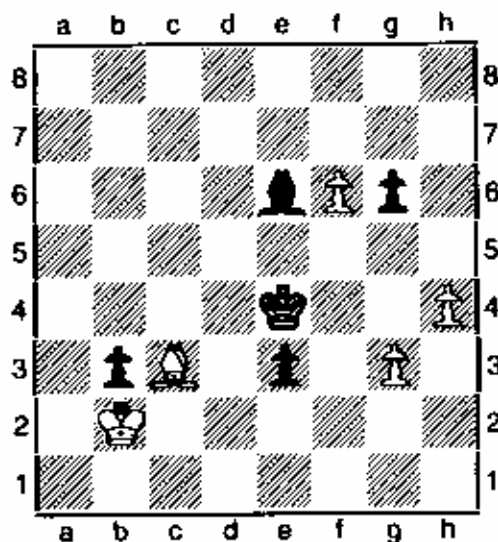
52 Kb2 e3 53 Ka3!

The only move. 53 Kc3 traps White's own bishop while Ka1, Kb1, or Kc1 deserts the b-pawn and ... K-e2-f2 wins for Black.

53 ... Ke2 54 Bc3 Kd3 55 Kb2

55 Be1 fails to 55 ... Kc2

55 ... Ke4 56 Be1 Kd4 57 Bc3+ Kd3 58 Be1 Be6 59 Bc3 Ke4



At this point and for the rest of the game Black was simply hoping White would make a mistake.

60 Be1 Kf5 61 Bc3 Bf7 62 Ka3 g5 63 hxg5 Kxg5  
64 Kb2 Kg4 65 Be1 Kf3 66 Ka3 Ke2 67 Bc3 Kd3  
68 Kb2 Be6 69 Be1 Kc4 70 Bc3 Kd3 71 Be1 Ke2  
72 Bc3 Kf3 73 Be1 Bc4 74 Ka3 Ke2 75 Bc3 Kd3  
76 Kb2 Ke4 77 Be1 Kf3 78 Ka3 e2 79 Kb2 Be6 80  
Ka3 Ke3 81 Kb2 Kd3 82 Bc3 Bf7 83 Be1 Ke4 84  
Bc3 Kf5 85 Ka3 Kg4 86 Be1 Kf3 87 Kb2 Kg2 88  
g4 Kf3 1/2-1/2

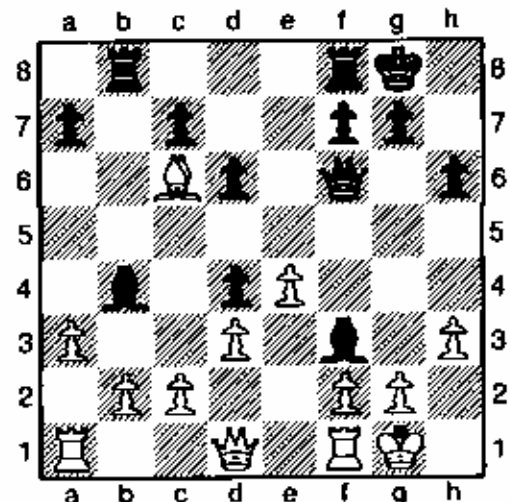
At the 2003 Illinois Scholastic Championship in Bloomington, 3/29 –3/30, I was rewarded for my hard work and continuous support of one of my students – Benjamin Vaughan. Ben reached 60<sup>th</sup> place in the top 100 list for 7 & Under in the April Supplement. This showing is due to his excellent results in the last few months of scholastic tournaments. Ben, his parents and I went to Bloomington hoping for the best and shooting for a record of 5 ½ out of 7 in the Primary Section. Ben managed to score 6 out of 7! Losing only to Eric Rosen – a top 50 lister in the 9 year old list. Since he had the misfortune of meeting Eric in the 4<sup>th</sup> round and not later, Ben received 13<sup>th</sup> place on tiebreaks in a field of almost 400 participants!

For your pleasure the following are 2 games that Ben played against Brandon Lung, who seems to be Ben's natural nemesis in tournament play.

### (1) Lung,B (942) - Vaughan,B (774) [C55]

Benjamin Scholastic (4), 07.12.2002

This is the first of 3 games that Ben faces Brandon Lung - a tough competitor, son of Richard Lung, and brother to Jonathon Lung - in the last 5 months. Ben has had black in all three and scored 2 to 1. 1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♗c4 ♗f6 4.♖c3 ♗b4 5.d3 0-0 6.♗g5 d6 7.0-0 h6 8.♗e3 ♗g4 9.h3 ♗h5 10.♖d5 ♖xd5 11.♗xd5 ♖d4 12.♗xd4 exd4 13.♗xb7 ♗b8 14.♗c6 ♗f6 15.a3



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Ben now ignores the threat to his Bishop for several moves. At first you would think that this is just normal for this level of play, but if you watch for the next few moves – it becomes clear that Ben had a deeper understanding of the position.

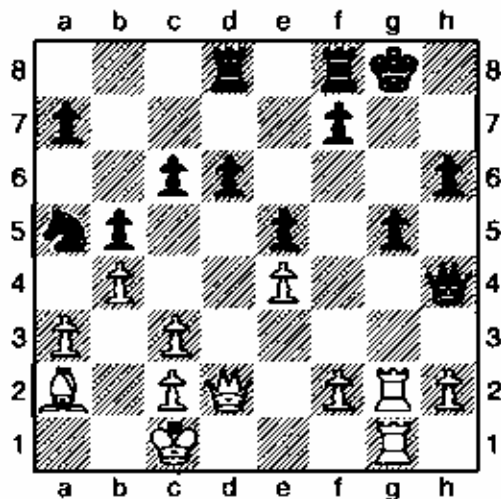
15... ♗xf3 16. ♖xf3 ♖xf3 17. gxf3 ♖b6 18. ♗d5 c6 19. ♗b3 ♗d2 20. a4 ♖a6 21. ♗c4 ♖a5 22. ♖fb1 ♖g5+ 23. ♖h2 d5 24. f4?? ♗xf4+ 25. ♖h1 dxc4 26. dxc4 ♖h5 27. b4 ♖xh3+ 28. ♖g2 ♖h2+ 29. ♖g1 ♖e8 30. b5 cxb5 31. cxb5 ♖xe4 32. a5 ♗e5 33. b6 axb6 34. ♖xb6 ♖g4+ 35. ♖f1 ♖h1+ 36. ♖e2 ♖xa1 37. a6 A pawn race that White pines all his hopes on but cannot hope to win. 37...h5 38. ♖c6 h4 39. ♖c8+ ♖h7 40. ♖a8 h3 41. f3 ♖g2+ 42. ♖d3 h2 43. a7 h1♖ 44. c4 ♖c1 45. ♖e8 ♖d1+ 46. ♖e4 ♖e2+ 47. ♖f5 ♖c2+ 48. ♖g5 ♖g6+ 49. ♖h4 ♖h1# 0-1

### (2) Lung, B (987) - Vaughan, B (799) [C50]

Latin Scholastic (4), 15.02.2002

[Josh Flores]

1. e4 e5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. ♗c4 ♗b4 4. ♖c3 ♖f6 5. a3 ♗xc3 6. dxc3 0-0 7. ♗g5 h6 8. ♗h4 d6 9. ♖d2 ♗g4 10. 0-0-0 ♗xf3 11. gxf3 ♖xe4 12. fxg4 ♖xh4 13. ♖dg1 ♖a5 14. ♗d5 c6 15. ♗a2 ♖ad8 16. ♖g2 g5 17. ♖hg1 b5 18. b4



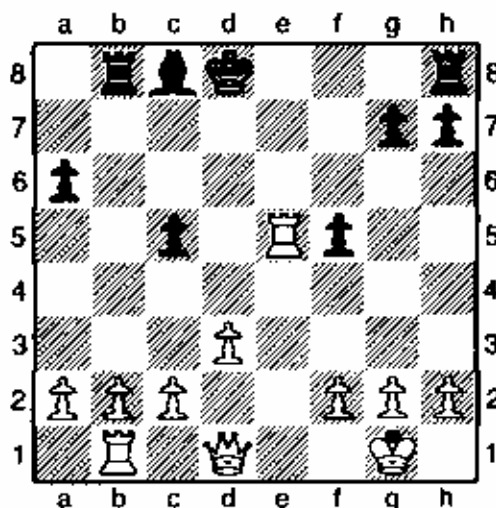
Unfortunately... Ben didn't keep accurate score from this point forward and could only tell me vaguely how he lost. This position is still highly playable for Black as he is up a pawn and has a healthier pawn structure. I can only speculate that Brandon's continued pressure with his attack caused Ben to take up time and eventually make a hasty decision, which proved fatal. 1-0

The following 4 games are from the Illinois Scholastic Championship in which did so well. His competition includes Eric Rosen and, of course, Brandon Lung.

### (3) Vaughan, B (996) - Sieradzki, C (1007) [C55]

2003 Illinois Scholastic Championships (3), 29.03.2003

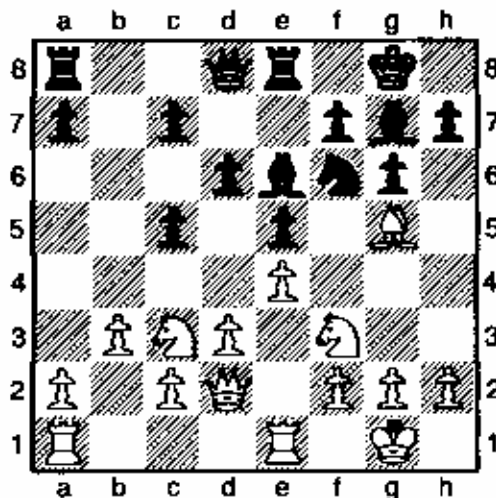
1. e4 e5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. ♗c4 ♖f6 4. ♖c3 b6 5. 0-0 ♖e7 6. d3 a6 7. ♗d5!? ♖xd5 8. ♖xd5 ♖e6 9. ♖xc7+! ♖d8 10. ♖xe6+ dxe6 11. ♗e3 ♖b8 12. ♖e1 ♗c5 13. ♗xc5 bxc5 14. ♖b1 f5 15. exf5 exf5 16. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 17. ♖xe5 And Black resigns. 1-0



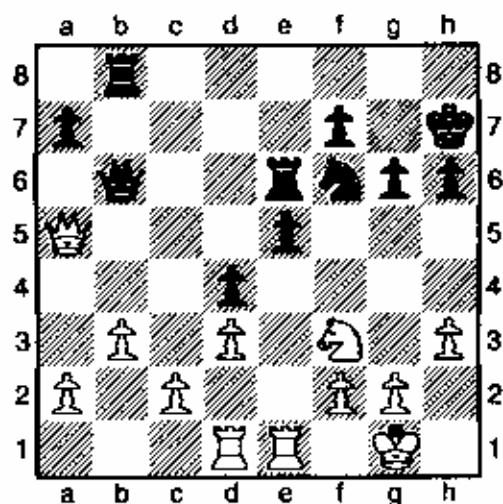
### Rosen, E (1189) - Vaughan, B (996) [C62]

2002 Ill Scholastic Championship (4), 29.03.2003 Josh F

1. e4 e5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. ♗b5 d6 4. ♗xc6+ bxc6 5. d3 g6 6. 0-0 ♗g7 7. ♖c3 ♖f6 8. ♗g5 0-0 9. ♖d2 ♗e6 10. ♖fe1 ♖e8 11. b3 c5?!



Ben is playing in unfamiliar territory against one of Illinois' top players in the primary section. He falters in finding a good plan. He should use his center pawn mass with an eventual d5 thrust. Bg4 followed by Qd7 is one way to start to do this. 12. Qd5 c6 13. Qc3 Bb8 14. h3 Qd7 15. Ah6 Qc7 16. Qxg7 Qxg7 17. Bb1 h6 18. Qa4 d5? Even in playing in new waters, Ben was holding his own, but now he starts to sink. Better would have been Nh5 heading for f4 or even Nd7 protecting c5 before thrusting d5. 19. Qxc5 Qd6 20. Qxe6+ Rxe6 21. exd5 cxd5 22. Qc3 d4 23. Qa5 Qb6!?



Being a pawn down, Ben offers a trade of Queens. This is not a good idea. Better to keep as many pieces as possible in play in order to complicate matters and maybe be able to create enough counter play to get the material back or better. I like Nd5 heading for c3 better. 24. Qxb6 axb6 25. Rxe5 Rxe5 26. Qxe5 Rc8 27. Bb2 Eric, being 2 pawns up, plays correctly and begins to protect all his weak points and consolidate before proving his material plus will win. 27... Ba8 28. a4 Qf8 29. Qf3 g5 30. Qxd4 g4 31. hxg4 Qxg4 32. f3 Qf6 33. Qf2 Qd5 34. c4 Qb4 35. Qc2 Qa2 36. Qd4 Qb4 37. Bb1 Bb8 38. Qe3 Re8+ 39. Qd2 Bb8 40. Qc3 Qa2+ 41. Qb2 Qb4 42. Qc2 Qc6 43. d4 Qe7 44. Qc3 Rh8 45. Qb4 Qd8 46. Qd5+ Qd7 47. Qxb6+ Qc6 48. a5 h5 49. d5+ Qb7 50. c5 f6 51. Qc4 Qf7 52. f4 h4 53. Re1 Qd8 54. b4 h3 55. gxh3 Rxb3 56. Re7+ Qb8 57. Qd7+ Qc8 58. Qxf6 Rh4 59. Re4 Rh2 60. Qb5 Ba2 61. d6 Qf7 62. Re8+ Qb7 63. c6+ Qa7 64. Re7+ Qb8 65. Rxf7 Qc8 66. Rf8# Ben fought it out for a long time but Eric played it out like he should. Taking his time and pressing home his advantages. This was a

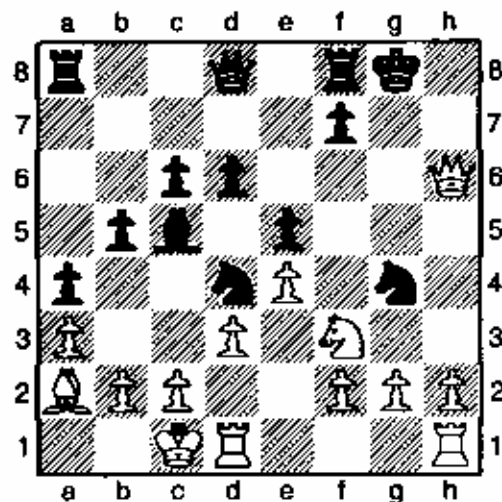
fine game from both players and a great learning experience for Ben. 1-0

(5) Lung, B (986) - Vaughan, B (996) [C50]

2003 Illinois Scholastic Championship (6), 29.03.2003

[Josh Flores]

1. e4 e5 2. Qf3 Qc6 3. Qc4 Qf6 4. Qc3 Qc5 5. d3 0-0 6. Qg5 d6 7. Qd2 Qe6 8. Qd5 Qxd5 9. Qxd5 Qd4 10. 0-0-0 c6 11. Qc4 b5 12. Qb3 a5 13. a3 a4 14. Qa2 h6 15. Qxh6 gxh6 16. Qxh6 Qg4!



An excellent defense played by Ben. This position had similarities with the second game in this article but Brandon gets aggressive here with very interesting play. 17. Qd2 Qxf3?? Better is Nxf2 and not opening the g file up for White. 18. gxf3 Qxf2 19. Rhg1+ Qh7 20. Qb1?? I don't understand what Brandon was planning with this move. Rg5 is winning for White. 20... Qxd1 21. Qxd1 Qxg1 Now it is just a matter of time for Black to win. 22. Qxg1 Qg8 23. Qf1 Qg7 24. Qh3+ Qg8 25. Qf1 Qg5 26. c3 Qg1 27. Qc1 Qxc1+ 28. Qxc1 Qg2 29. h4 Qh2 30. f4 exf4 31. e5 dxe5 32. Qd1 Qxb2 33. Qxf7+ Qxf7 34. h5 Qb3 35. h6 Qxc3 36. Qd2 Qxa3 37. h7 Qg6 38. h8 Qxh8 39. d4 exd4 40. Qc1 Qh2 41. Qb1 Qg3 42. Qa1 Qg1# 0-1

(6) Vaughan, B (996) - Ludwig, S (972) [C55]

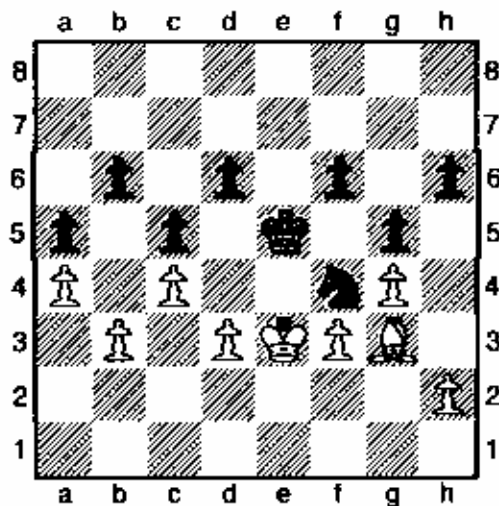
2003 Illinois Scholastic Championships (7), 30.03.2003

[Josh Flores]

1. e4 e5 2. Qf3 Qc6 3. Qc3 Qf6 4. Qc4 Qb4 5. a3 Qxc3 6. dxc3 Qxe4 7. 0-0 0-0 8. Re1 Qf6 9. Qxe5 Qxe5 10. Rxe5 d6 11. Re1 Qg4 12. f3 Qh5 13. Qf4 Re8 14. Rxe8+ Qxe8 15. Qe1 Qxe1+ 16. Rxe1 Re8 17. Rxe8+ Qxe8 18. g4 Qg6 19. Qd3 Qxd3 20. cxd3 Qf6 21. Qe3 b6 22. Qf2 Qf8 23. Qe2 Qe7 24. Qd2 h6 25. Qc2 Qd5 26. Qd4 f6 27. c4 Qf4

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28.a4 a5 29.b3 c5 30.♟f2 ♘e6 31.♞d2 ♘e5  
32.♟g3 g5 33.♞e3

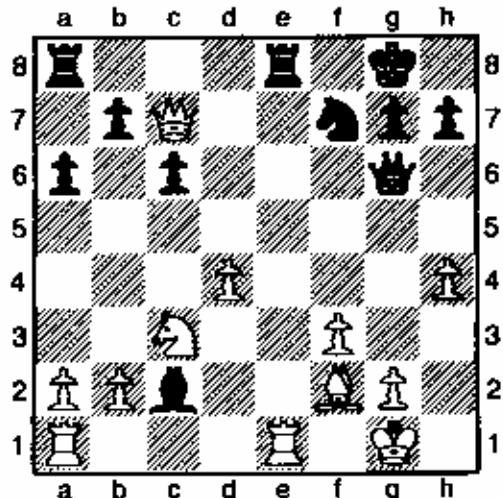


Zugswang! Black loses the coming King and pawn ending. A possible continuation could be... (33...d5 34.cxd5 ♞xd5 35.♟xf4 ♟xf4+ 36.♞xf4 ♞d4 37.♞f5 ♞xd3 38.♞xf6 b5 39.axb5 c4 40.bxc4 a4 41.b6 a3 42.b7 a2 43.b8♟ a1♟+ 44.♟e5) 1-0

A new student I recently had the pleasure of acquiring was last years Primary State Champion and Top 50 Lister— Trevor Magnuss. To my surprise, Trevor lives within a mile of me, across a river. Although, I don't know how much I actually helped Trevor in his also wonderful performance with the very short time I worked with him prior to this event, I still am very proud of him. He went into the last round with a perfect 6-0 to face the only other 6-0 Zach Kasuriak - another Top 50 Lister. Zach is an active participant in many of the local open tournaments and is a very seasoned competitor. The game was well played, but Zach's experience showed through in the endgame and he managed to garner the full point. The following games are ones I felt were pivotal in this event for Trevor.

(7) Feng, J (1274) - Magnuss, T (1302) [C78]  
2003 Illinois Scholastic Championships (5), 30.03.2003  
[Josh Flores]

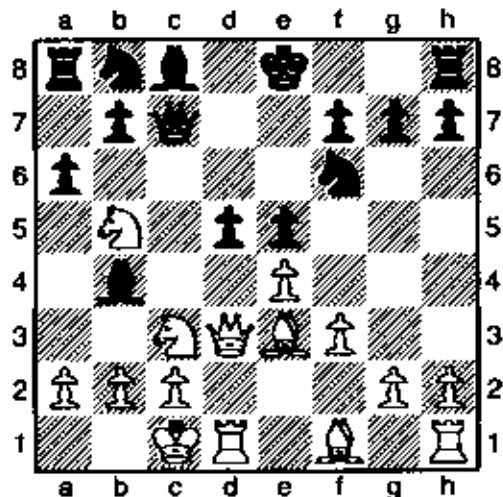
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6.♟xc6 dxc6 7.♟xe5 ♟xe4 8.♟d3 0-0 9.♟xc5 ♟xc5  
10.d4 ♟e6 11.♟e3 f5 12.f3 f4 13.♟f2 ♟g5 14.♟c3 ♟f5  
15.♟e1 ♟e8 16.♟d2 ♟f6 17.♟xf4 ♟g6 18.♟g3 ♟xc2  
19.h4 ♟f7



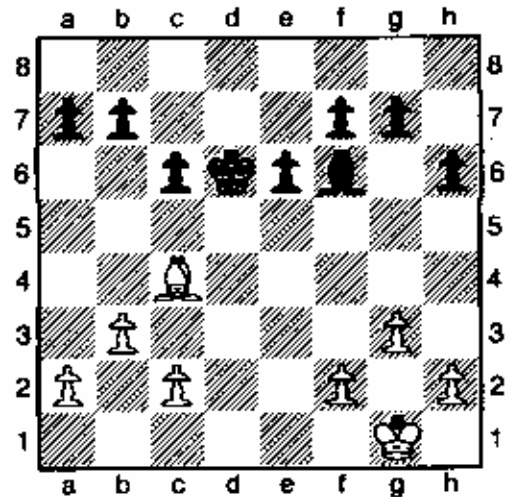
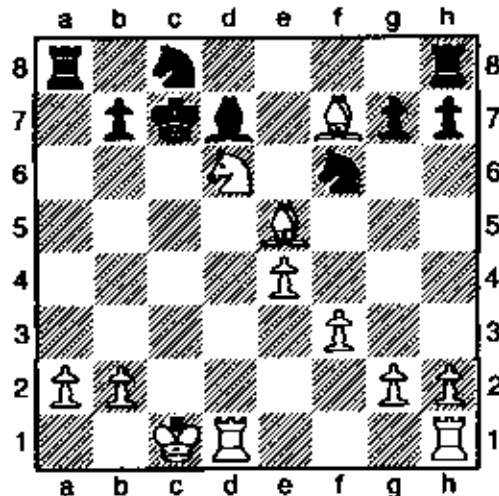
White gets greedy and starts grabbing pawns willy-nilly. The White King is looking frowningly at his Queen. 20.♟xc7 ♟f5 21.♟xe8+ ♟xe8 22.♟e1 ♟xe1+ 23.♟xe1 h5 24.♟xb7 Sometimes if you eat too much you may suffer a lot of pain. 24...♟h3! See? 25.g3 ♟d3! 26.♟b8+ ♞h7 27.♟f4 ♟f1+ 0-1

The next game Trevor manages to pull out a point using a questionable idea against a very strong player and, once again, a Top 50 Lister – Byron Chen.

(8) Magnuss, T (1302) - Chen, B (1507) [B40]  
2003 Illinois Scholastic Championships (6), 30.03.2003  
[Josh Flores]  
1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♟xd4 ♟f6 5.♟c3 a6  
6.♟e3 ♟b4 7.f3 ♟c7 8.♟d3 d5 9.0-0-0 e5 10.♟db5?!

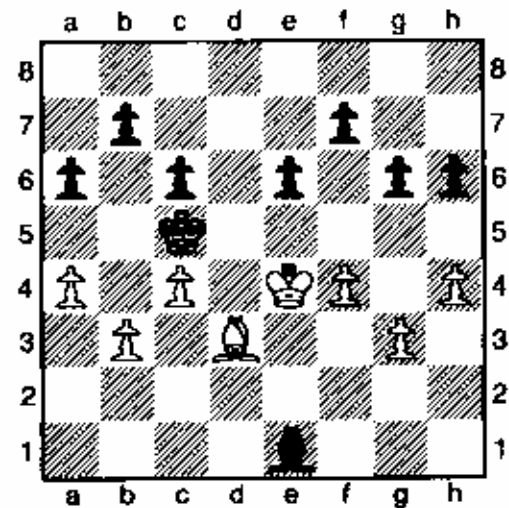


Trevor tries a very aggressive idea, which shouldn't work in this position. Black has Nc6 as a defensive resource. But, fortunately for White, Black does not use it. 10...axb5 11.ϕxb5+ ρbd7 12.ϕxb4 d4 This looks good on the surface but... 13.ρb5 ϕa5 14.♗d2 ϕxb4 15.♗xb4 ρd8 16.♗c4 ρb6 17.♗xf7 ♗d7 18.ρd6 ρc7 19.c3! Good and thematic. Need to open up lines for White's rooks. 19...dxc3 20.♗xc3 ρc8 21.♗xe5



Even with a pawn down... with opposite color Bishops - White can play for a draw by placing all his pawns on White squares and putting his king on e2. I.e. Pawns on a4, b3, c2, h3, g4, f3, Bd3, and Ke2 will make it hard for Black to make headway and win. Unfortunately White did not realize this and doesn't find the best defensive setup. 22.♗d3 g6 23.a4 ρe5 24.ρg2 ρd5 25.f4 ♗d4 26.ρf3 a6 27.c4+ ρc5 28.ρe4 ♗c3 29.h4 ♗e1

Setting up the King for discoveries. 21...ρxd6 22.♗xd6 ρd8 23.♗hd1 ρf8 24.♗xf6+ gxf6 25.♗xd7+ ρc8 26.♗e6 Now with the other Bishop. 26...ρb8 27.♗1d6 ♗c8+ 28.ρb1 ♗c6 29.♗d8+ ρa7 30.♗xa8+ ρxa8 31.♗xc6 bxc6 32.♗d7 A nice finish. 1-0



**(9) Magness, T (1302) - Kasuriak, Z (1489)**

**[B18]**

2003 Illinois State Championships (7), 30.03.2003

*[Josh Flores]*

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.ρc3 dxe4 4.ρxe4 ♗f5 5.♗d3! I am not familiar with this opening, so I can't really speak about this move only that if Black gets anxious and plays Nf6, White will surprise him with Nxf6! Picking up Bf5. 5...ϕxd4 6.ρf3 ϕb6 7.0-0 ♗xe4 8.♗xe4 ρf6 9.♗d3 ρbd7 10.b3 e6 11.♗b2 ♗e7 12.ϕe2 h6 13.ρe5 ρxe5 14.ϕxe5 0-0-0 15.♗c4 ϕc7 16.ϕxc7+ ρxc7 17.♗ad1 ♗xd1 18.♗xd1 ♗d8 19.♗xd8 ♗xd8 20.♗xf6 ♗xf6 21.g3 ρd6

And White's chances to become an Illinois State Champion (even if it is co-champion) for the second year in a row crumbles. 30.ρe5 ♗xg3 31.ρf6 ♗xf4 32.ρxf7 e5 33.ρxg6 ρd4 34.♗b1 ρc3 35.ρf5 ρxb3 36.ρe6 ρxc4 37.ρd7 ρc5 38.ρc7 b5 39.axb5 cxb5 40.ρb7 a5 41.♗a6 a4 42.♗a5 ♗d2+ 43.♗a6 a3 44.ρb7 e4 45.ρc7 e3 0-1

## **Knight Moves Chess Club News**

By Hector R. Hernandez

### **Chicago Latino Chess Championship X**

This recently held event brought together 57 players: 34 children and 23 adults. Trophies were awarded to the top ten players in each group. The winners in the children's section were, first through tenth place respectively: Alejandra Rodriguez, Carlos Lefranc, Michael Jimenez, Jonathan Jimenez, David Valentin, Michelle Martinez, George Cortez, Cuittlahuac Pineda-Youniss, Roger Jimenez and Adrian Abaunza. The best adult players were: Cipriano Menendez, Jose A. Rodriguez, Getulio Cruz, Alejandro Gonzalez, David Ohlhausen, Juan Herrera Sr., Jose Rodriguez Sr., Paul Pineaw, and Angelito Nacorda. Congratulations to the winners and our thanks to Mr. Jesse Fojo and Ms. Sandra Ruiz from local McDonalds Restaurants who sponsored this event. A special word of gratitude goes to the Rodriguez-Chavez family who worked very hard to put up an exhibit commemorating the 10-year history of this championship and the Knight Moves Chess Club.

Picture By Nancy Chavez & Hector R. Hernandez



Round 4 match-ups, Board 2, foreground, Alejando Gonzalez (left) meets Jose Rodriguez; and on Board 1, background, Cipriano Menendez (left) faces Lazaro Castro



Top players children's section



Rodrigo Escorcia explains the fine points of chess to Michelle and Amanda Martinez



Top players adult's section

# Finding Weapons of Mass Destruction Destruction at the USCF Amateur Team Chess Tourney

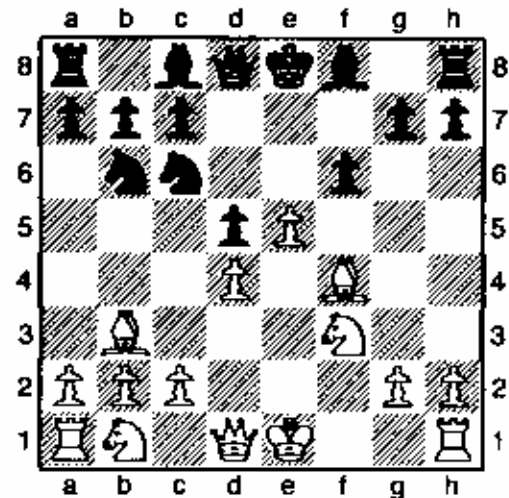
by Howard Cohen

I always enjoy playing at the Team Amateur event. The atmosphere is very friendly, and the hotel playing conditions are always excellent. Even if I play poorly, I can always root for my teammates to have good games and win the match. This year the event was held at the Lisle Wyndam Hotel (a very nice hotel). Bill Goichberg (an excellent organizer) and Mr. Walter Brown (an excellent TD) were the main people who ran the tourney and settled any disputes that arose. I have noticed that less disputes occur at the team event as opposed to a normal chess tourney. Since this event took place from Feb. 14 to 16, I had to divide my time between my 2 loves -- my girlfriend and chess. Thus I only played in 3 of the 5 rounds and was not eligible for a board prize. Our team was titled "Pawns of Mass Destruction" (NO apologies to that Arab guy in Iraq) which relates to my only complaint about the tourney. I feel that a best name prize (maybe a free chess book) should also be given in addition to clocks for best team and individual results. In any case our team did OK with a score of 3 1/2 points out of 5. My teammates Pete Stein, Larry Cohen, Frank Brunner & Ogi Virijevich all had mixed results. I was fortunate to end up with a perfect score, finding tactics that led to mass destruction of my opponents' forces in all 3 games. Here then are the chess games. The names of the players have been changed to protect the innocent and the stupid. Also while I may never make FIDE master, I like to think it is possible if I do not play too many stupid moves and study hard.

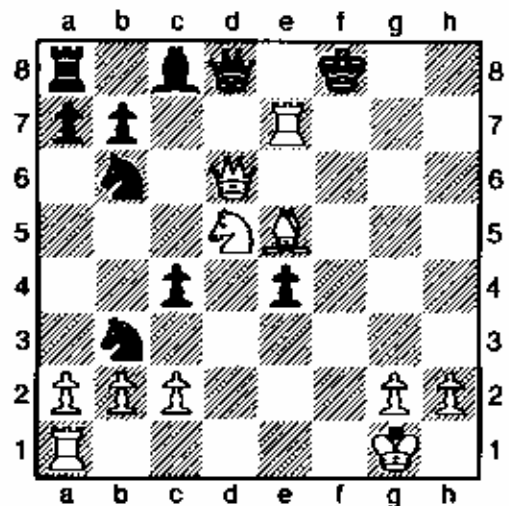
## (2) Future FIDE Master (me) - Jr. Tadpole [C34]

[User, Authorized]

This is a typical King Gambit game with the usual tactical bombshells. I had fun here 1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 (usually Nh5 is played = Scallops Defense) 5.Bc4 Nb6 6.Bb3 Nc6 7.d4 d5 8.Bxf4 f6 Diagram



? (This just helps me open the f file for attacks) 9.0-0 fxe5 10.Qe2 e4 11.Ne5 Nxd4 ? (N:e5; B:e5 Be6; Qh5+, Kd7! Is Black's best chance, but it is still small plus for White) 12.Qh5+ g6 13.Nxg6 hxg6 14.Qxg6+ Kd7 (Sure I could take the R, but I want to put big hurt on the K-- that Iraqi guy. I go for mate!) 15.Be5 Rh6 16.Rf7+ Be7 17.Qxh6 c5 18.Nc3 c4 19.Nxd5 Nxb3 (Sac the B for the win!) 20.Qd6+ Ke8 21.Rxe7+ Kf8 Diagram



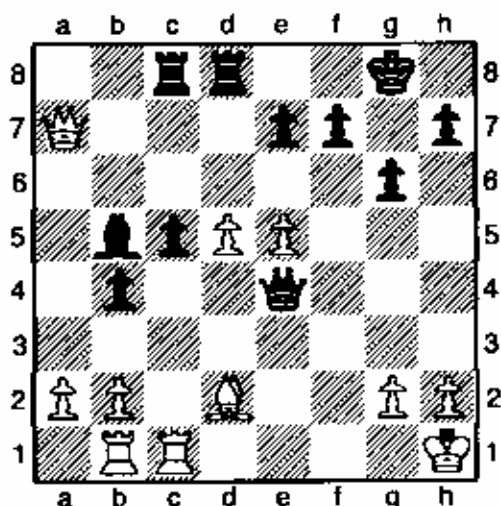
(at this point there are 4 other mates in 2 or less, but I want all my pieces involved) 22.Rf1+ Bf5 23.Rxf5+ Kg8 24.Qg5# 1-0

My 2<sup>nd</sup> game involves some fancy deployment of my troops in what turns out to be an interesting opposite colors bishop endgame. Fortunately I was able to outflank the bad guys for the win.

## Finding Weapons of Mass Destruction

### Teenaged Guppy - Future FIDE Master

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 (so far a typical Pirc Defense setup) 6.Bd3 c5 7.dxc5 dxc5 8.0-0 Qb6 9.Kh1 Nc6 (9.Na4, Qa5; c3 is also playable here) 10.Na4 Qa5 11.c4 Rd8 12.Nc3! (Only move for Guppy that avoids loss of piece or the exchange) 12...Nb4 13.Nd5 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Nxd5 (if e6; Bd7!; Qa6; Ne7+ losses R +-) 15.cxd5 b5 16.Bd2 b4 17.Qc2 Ba6 18.Rfc1 Rac8 19.Ne5 Qb5 (perhaps a3, Qb5; ab is better for White?) 20.Rab1? Bxe5 Guppy needed to play Nc4 first (if Nc6, R:c6!; dc, Qe2; Rd1, Bd3; Qa4, B:e4 -+) to keep the N on the board and blockade. 21.fxg5 Qd3 22.Qa4 Bb5 23.Qxa7 Qxe4 Diagram

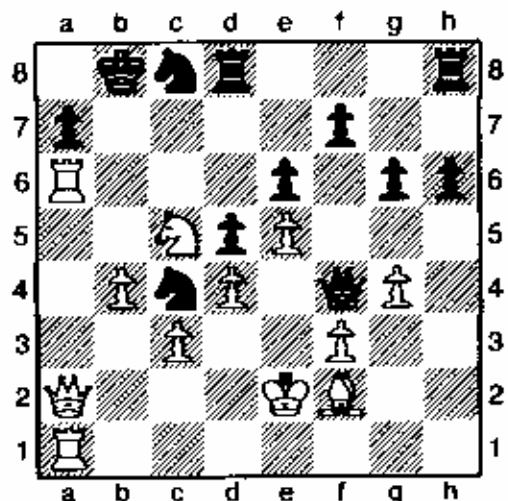


Yes I know the B is there to take, but I did not trust the possible pawn storm of center pawns after QxB; Qxe7, Bd3; Re1, Qf4; Rbc1 so instead I went for endgame plus) 24.Qxe7 Qxd5 25.Bh6 Bc6 26.Rg1 Re8 27.Qf6 Qxe5 28.Qxe5 Rxe5 29.Rge1 Rce8 30.Rxe5 Rxe5 31.Kg1 Re2 (While tricky, I have plus in this opposite color bishop endgame due to my R at e2 and my more mobile King) 32.Rd1 Rxc2+ 33.Kf1 f5 34.Rd2 Rxd2 (If Rd6, Be4-+. Yet Guppy should keep rooks on the board to make it harder for my K to get into play as happened in the game) 35.Bxd2 Kf7 36.Kf2 Ke6 37.Bf4 Kd5 38.Ke3 Kc4 39.h4 Be4 40.Bd6 h6 41.Bf4 Bb1 42.Bxh6 Bxa2 43.Kf4 Kd3 44.Kg5 Ke4 (This makes it easy for me. Still even with better move I should still win. A better choice is Ke5, Bf7; Kf6, Be8. Then if Ke7, Ke5!; KxB, f4; bf6, Kd5 -+ since White cannot stop either c or f pawn queening. If instead of Ke7 he tries Bf8 then f4, B:c5, f3!; Kg5, Ke2 should win. Note these lines have lots more potential for Black to go wrong and miss the win!) 45.Kxg6 f4 46.Bf8 Kd5 47.Bh6 f3 48.Be3 c4 49.h5 c3 50.bxc3 b3! 51.h6 b2 52.Kg7 and White resigns since after Bh7 he cannot stop both my pawns from queening. 0-1

My final game has pawn storms on both sides of the board with both Queens acting like atomic bombs! I get one of the strangest positions ever against a Caro Kann Defense.

### Howard Cohen - Senior Goldfish

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.h4 h6 (hoping to trap Bishop is not my best play) 5.Bd3 Bxd3 6.Qxd3 e6 7.Nf3 Nd7 8.Be3 Ne7 9.g4 Qb6 10.b3 0-0-0 11.a4 Qc7 12.Nfd2 Kb8 (I moved this N with idea of allowing possible K-side pawn storm with f4 as well as Q-side attack) 13.Na3 Nc8 14.Ke2! Be7 (I find that when planning pawn storms the king is often safest if kept in the middle of the board -- NOT castled!) 15.c3 Bxa3 16.Rxa3 b6 17.b4 (I changed my mind and am now playing for a Q-side pawn storm vs. the castled king. If later I give this up would it be a "Desert Storm"? ) 17...b5 18.axb5 Ndb6 (if cb; Q:b5+ then R1a1 wins) 19.Rha1 cxb5 20.Qxb5 Qe7 21.Nb3 Qd7 22.Qa6 Qb7 (forced move for Black) 23.Qd3 Nc4 24.Nc5 Qe7 25.Ra8 Qxh4 26.f3 g6 27.Qb1 Qh2+ (probably Qe7 defending Q-side is better) 28.Bf2 Qf4 29.Qa2



29...Qd2+ (Only move that stops mate threat of R:a7 followed by Ra8+, R:c8+! Then Q and other R in for the kill) 30.Qxd2 Nxd2 31.Kxd2 h5 32.Bh4 Rdg8 33.Bf6 Rh7 34.Be7 (If NxB then R:a7, Ra8+ and R1a7+ leads to mate) 34...hxg4 35.Bd6+ Nxd6 36.exd6 Rh2+ 37.Ke3 Rh3 38.Rxa7 resigns (Rc7+ with mate in mate is cannot be stopped!) 1-0

I hope you enjoyed these games as much as I did playing them. They could be the result of either biological weapons or chemical bombs. I suspect it really is just the result of dangerous minds playing weird chess. Good luck in your future military chess adventures, unless of course you end up playing me!



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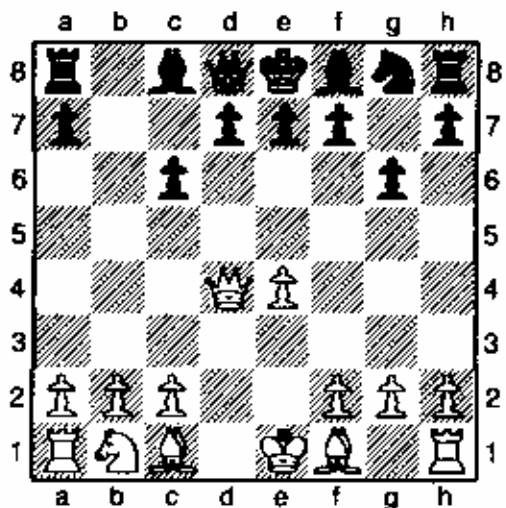
**Bob Stoltz – Hector Hernandez**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 Queens Gambit Declined. 4.Bg5 ( After c6 ) Black adopts the Semi- Slav pawn structure. The pawn on c6 and e6 provide solid support for d5 pawn ,allowing black ...Nbd7, Bd6 and 0-0. 4...c6 Black can setup a trap with 4... Nbd7 5. cxd5 exd5 6.Nxd5 Nxd5 7.Bxd8 Bb4+ wins the queen & the game. 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Nf3 Bb4 [ 6... Qa5 leads to a Cambridge Springs. In GM Kramnik – GM Kamsky game continue 6...Qa5 7. Nd2 Bb4 8. Qc2 e5 9. Nb3 Qc7 10. Be2 dxc4 11. Bxc4 0-0 12. 0-0 Bd6 13. h3 Re8? White went on to win in 51 moves]. 7.a3? Diagram # 7. a3? loses a pawn .The most popular and logical move would be 7. cxd5 transposing it to a Queens Gambit declined when Bishop on b4 is not included. if after 7.cxd5 exd5 8. Qc2 Qa5 9. Bd3 preventing Ne4. 7...Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 Qa5 9.Qc2 In this position, White should give up the pawn on a3 rather than the c3 pawn. White should kept his center pawn intact. Rc1 is preferable. One bad line for black after 9. Rc1 Ne4 10. a4 Nxc3 Qd2 wins the a piece. 9...Ne4 10.Bf4 Qxc3+ 11.Qxc3 Nxc3 12.Bd3 dxc4 13.Bxc4 0-0 14.Rc1 Nd5 15.Bg5 N7b6 16.Bd3 f6 17.Bh4 Bd7 18.0-0 Rac8 19.Bg3! Placing the Bishop on the active square. 19...Na4 20.Rb1 b5? Diagram # This creates a weakness on c6 pawn and c5 square. More solid is b6 with the idea of c6-c5 breaking the center pawn. 21.Rfc1 a6 Interesting line runs with 21... c5 !? 1) 22. Bxb5 Bxb5 23. Rxb5 Ndc3 attacks the Rook on b5 and Ne2 + idea forking the King & Rook. 2) 22. dxc5 Ndc3 23. Rb3 Rxc5 24. Bd6 Ne2! + 25. Bxe2 Rxc1 wins the exchange. 22.Bd6 Rfe8 23.e4 Ndb6 24.Bb4?! Diagram # The critical moment 24. e5 would be the best , fixing Black pawns structure and will immobilized Black Bishop. 24. e5 f5 25. Nd2 heading to a5 pressuring c6 pawn. 24...h6 25.Rc2 25. e5 is still preferable or Nd2 – Nb3 – a5. 25...Kf7 26.Rbc1 26. e5! 26...g5? 26... e5 27. dxe5 fe5 28. Bd6 Kf6. 27.Nd2 e5! Now Black frees his position. 28.Nb3 28. dxe5 Re5 29. Nf3 Re8 30. Nd4 Red8 Transposing to the game. 28...exd4? 28... Be6! if 29. Na5 exd4 30. Rxc6 Nc4! or 30. Nxc6 Bc4 31. Bxc4+ Nxc4 32. Nxd4 Rxe4+- 29.Nxd4 Red8 30.Be2 c5 31.Bxc5 Nxc5 32.Rxc5 Rxc5 33.Rxc5 Rc8 34.Rxc8 Nxc8 35.Kf1= Ke7 36.Ke1 Kd6 37.Kd2 Kc5 38.Kc3 Kb6 39.f3? 39. Bh5 Nd6 40. Bg6 then g3 –f4 idea creating a passed pawn. 39...a5 40.Nb3 Nd6 41.Nd4 nice plan is centralizing the king 41. Kd4 Be6 42. Nc5 with equal chances. 41...h5 42.Nc2 Knight should stay on d4 to prevent Black from activating his king to c5 with Nb3+ . 42...Kc5 43.Bd3 h4 44.g3 hxg3 45.hxg3 Be6 46.f4 Bg4 47.e5 fxe5 48.fxe5 Nf7 49.e6 Nd6 50.a7 Bh5 51.Bh7 Nc8 52.e8Q Bxe8 53.Bf5 Nd6 54.Bd3 Bf7 55.Kd2 b4 56.axb4+ axb4 57.Ne3 b3 58.g4? White can still achieve a drawish position with 58. Kc3 Nb5+ 59. Bxb5 Kxb5 60. Ng4 Kc5 61. Ne5 Bd5 62. Nd3+ Kb5 63. Nf2 Ka4 64. Kb2 Kb4 65. Nh3 g4 66. Nf2 Bf3

67. Nd3+ Kc4 68. Ne5 + Kb4 repetition of moves. 58...Nc4+ 59.Nxc4 Bxc4 60.Bf5 Kd4 61.Bg6 Be6 62.Bh5 Bd7 63.Bf7 Ba4 64.Kc1 Kc3 65.Bg6 Bb5 66.Bf5 Bd3 67.Bxd3 Kxd3 0-1 0-1

**Sean Nimox – Jason Chien USAT 2003**

1.e4 c5 Sicilian Defense 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 Accelerated Dragon 5.Nxc6 White begins to refute Black set-up. The exchange on c6 is 90% wrong, by recapturing towards the center Black will have a good control over d5 square and the opening of b-file will be useful for Black's rook. White is the normal set-up or a Maroczy- Bind formation. 5...bxc6 6.Qd4 Diagram



The point of 5. Nxc6. other tries are ineffective 6. Bc4 Bg7 7. Qf3 Nf6 8. 0-0 d6 9. e5 dxe5 10. Qxc6+ Bd7 11. Qa6 0-0 Black is slightly better. 6...Nf6 Best! 6... f6 is also playable. 7.e5 Nd5 8.e6 White continues his subtle idea. This will just help Black gain more time to organize his men. 8...f6 9.exd7+ Qxd7 Better would be 9... Bxd7 one possible line 10.Bd3 e5 11. Qh4 Bg7 12. 0-0 0-0 13. Rd1 Qc7 with advantage to Black as seen in GM Balinas – Donalson Reno 1994. 10.Bc4 Bg7 11.Bxd5 Qxd5 11. cxd5 will be more precise keeping the Queen + the pair Bishop will ensure a long and lasting advantage. 12.Qxd5 cxd5 13.0-0 0-0 14.Nc3 Bb7 15.Re1 e5 16.b3 Bc6? 16... Rfc8 17. Bb2 d4! wins the c2 pawn. 17.a4 a6 18.Ba3 Rfe8 19.Rad1 d4 20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Rxe4 Rac8! 22.Re2 Bf8 23.Bb2 Bb4 24.g3 Kf7 25.Kf1 Rc6 26.f4 Bd6 27.fxe5 fxe5 28.Kg2 Rec8 29.Rf1+ Kg8 30.Rc1 d3 31.Rd2 dxc2 32.Kf3 Rb6 32... Bf8 with the idea of Bh8 --> with attack h6-c1 33.Rdxc2 Rxc2 34.Rxc2 Rxb3+ 35.Ke4 Rb4+ 36.Kd5 Black losses his grip in time scramble. 1-0

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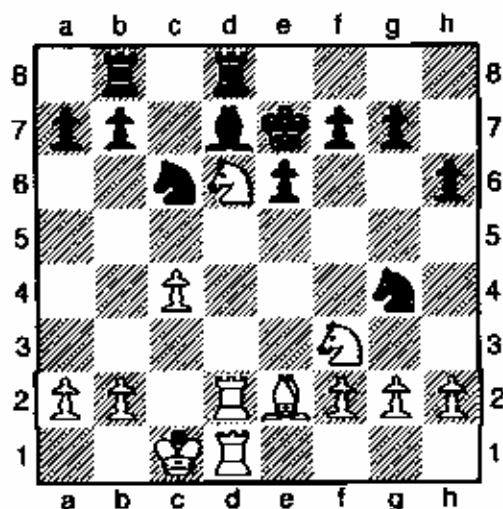
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**(1) Stannov,A (2236) – Mote,D (2243) [B22]**

Greater Peoria open (5), 02.03.2003

*[Albert Chow]*

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 e6 6.Na3  
 Be7 7.Be3 cxd4 8.Nb5 Qd8 [8...0-0! was best with the  
 idea that 9.Nc7? Qc6 10.Nxa8 dxe3 11.fxe3 b6  
 winning the trapped Na8 gaining black advantage. So  
 instead play may go 9.Qxd4 Nc6 with equal chances.]  
 9.Qxd4! Nc6 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.0-0-0+ Bd7 12.Rd2  
 Nd5 13.Bg5 h6 [13...f6 seems even better.] 14.Bxe7+  
 Kxe7 15.c4 Nf6 16.Nd6 Rab8 17.Be2 Rhd8 18.Rhd1  
 Ng4?



[18...b6 was solid and about equal. Hungry for f2 Mote  
 coughs up f7 and gets a taste of fried liver in the  
 endgame.] 19.Nxf7! Kxf7 20.Rxd7+ Kf6 21.Rxd8!  
 Rxd8 22.Rf1! Rc8 23.Kb1 Rd8 Stannov is a clear  
 pawn up but still needs good technique to convert his  
 queenside pawn majority into a win. 24.h3 Nge5  
 25.Nxe5 Nxe5 26.Kc2 Nc6 27.Kc3 Nd4 28.Bd3 Rd7  
 29.Re1 e5 30.b4 b6 31.Be4 g5 32.a4 Rc7 33.Bd5 Nf5  
 34.Rd1 Nd4 35.Rd2 Ke7 36.Be4 Kd6 37.Kd3 Rf7  
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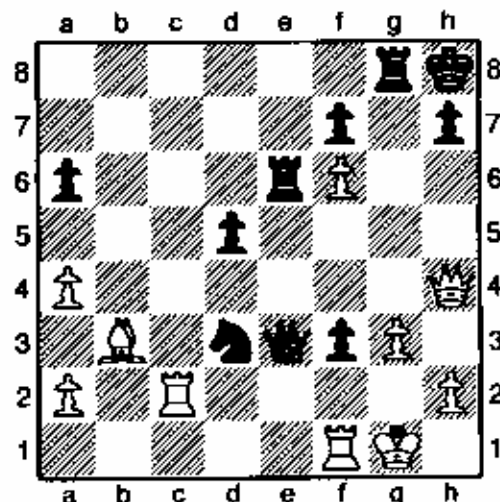
42.b5 Kc5 43.Kc3 Rf7 44.f3 Rf6 45.Ra2 Kb6 46.Bd5  
 Rf8 47.Kd3 Nb3 48.Kc3 Nc5 49.Ra1! Re8 50.h4!  
 gxh4 51.Rh1 e4 52.Rxh4 remaining moves not  
 recorded due to mutual time trouble: white won. 1-0

**(2) Padilla,R (1500) – Baumgartner,C (1738) [B33]**

Greater Peoria open (2), 01.03.2003

*[Chow and Baumgartner]*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5  
 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.Na3 b5 10.Nd5 f5  
 11.Bd3 Be6 12.Ne3?! [12.Qh5 or; 12.0-0 are the  
 theoretical lines critical to the theory of the Sveshnikov  
 Sicilian.] 12...f4 13.Nf5? [13.Nd5 would better  
 blockade the central light squares.] 13...Bxf5 14.exf5  
 d5! Super central pawns give black the obvious  
 advantage. 15.c3 [15.Nb1 is also ugly: white's knight  
 has no future.] 15...Bxa3 16.bxa3 Qe7 17.a4 e4  
 18.Bc2 Qe5 19.0-0 b4! 20.cxb4? 20.c4! was the last  
 chance. 20...Nxb4 21.Bb3 0-0 22.Qh5 Kh8 23.Rac1  
 Nd3 24.Rc2 Rae8 25.Qh3 Rg8 26.f6 Re6 27.Qh4 f3  
 28.g3 e3 [28...Rxf6 is also good.] 29.fxe3 Qxe3+



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30.Kh1 Nf2+! A pseudo-sac to cap black's attack!  
31.Rcxf2 [31.Rxf2 Qe1+ 32.Rf1 Qxf1#; 31.Kg1! Ne4+!  
32.Kh1 Rxf6 33.Bxd5 Qd3! wins.] 31...Qxf2! 32.Qh3  
Re1 unable to stop checkmate, white resigns. 0-1

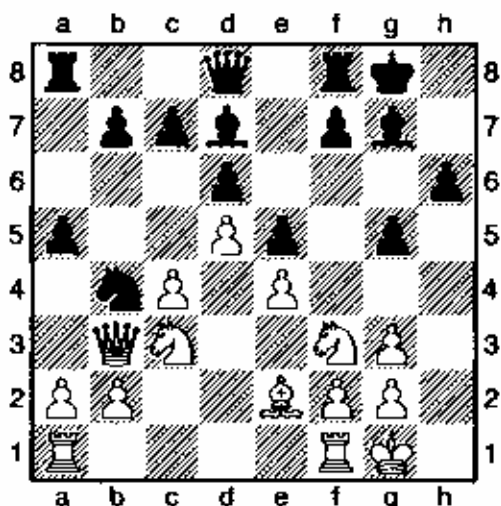
### (3) Karagianis,P (1982) - Mote,D (2243)

[E61]

Greater Peoria open, 01.03.2003

[AI Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0 5.Bg5 h6  
6.Bh4 d6 7.e3 g5 8.Bg3 Nh5 9.Qc2 Nc6 10.Be2 Nxc3  
11.hxg3 e5 12.d5 Nb4 [12...Ne7? 13.Nxc3! is an  
obvious trap.] 13.Qb3 a5 14.0-0 Bf5 [14...Na6 and Nc5  
was good.] 15.e4 Bd7



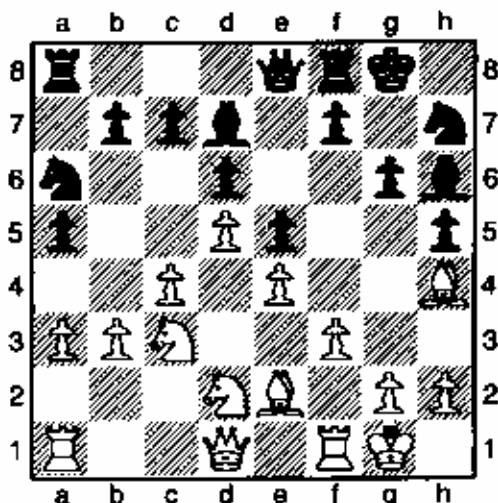
16.c5! [16.a3 Na6 17.Qxb7?? Nc5 is another  
example of the poisoned pawn.] 16...dxc5 17.a3 a4!  
18.Qd1 Na6 19.Nxa4 Qe7 20.Nc3 Rfd8 21.Qb3 b6  
22.Rfd1 Bg4 23.Qa4 Nb4 24.Qb3 Na6 25.Qa4  
[25.Nxe5!? is the way to try to win. For example:  
25...Bxe5 (25...Bxe2? 26.Nc6) 26.Bxc4 Bxc3 27.Qxc3  
Qxe4 28.Bf3 Qe8 29.d6] 25...Nb4 26.Qb3 Na6 27.Qa4  
draw by three time repetition. 1/2-1/2

### (4) Tsyganov,I - Chow,A [E92]

Elmhurst class m/x, 23.03.2003

[AI Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Be2  
e5 7.d5 a5 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Na6 Petrosian's variation  
of the classical king indian. 10.Nd2 Qe8 11.a3 Bd7  
12.b3 Nh7 13.0-0 h5 14.f3 Bh6 Black solves the  
problem of his bad dark squared bishop. At this point it  
seems to me that black has equalized.



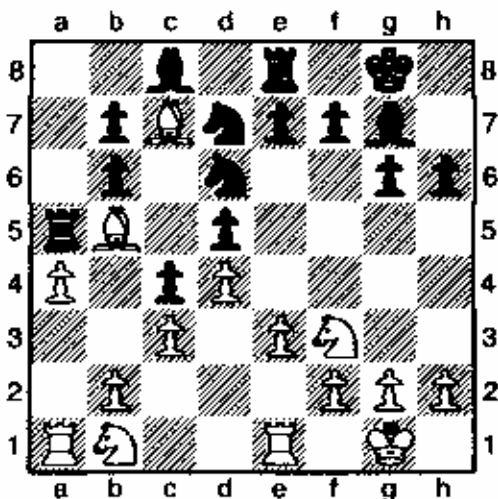
15.Rb1 Be3+ 16.Bf2 Bxf2+ 17.Rxf2 Qe7 18.b4 axb4  
19.axb4 Rfb8! 20.Bf1 Nf6 21.Na2 c5! 22.dxc6 bxc6  
23.Qe1 Nc7 24.Nc3 d5 25.exd5 cxd5 26.cxd5 Nfxd5  
27.Nxd5 Nxd5 28.Nc4 Rxb4 draw agreed in view of  
29.Rxb4 Nxb4 30.Qxe5 Qxe5 31.Nxe5 Be6 with mass  
exchanges and a dead draw. 1/2-1/2

### (5) Sethi,R - Modes,D [A48]

Elmhurst class A (1), 03.2003

[A.C.]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5 Bg7 4.e3 d5 5.Bd3 0-0 6.0-0  
h6 7.Bh4 Nbd7 8.Re1?! [8.Nbd2! would complete  
white's system of development in the Torre attack.]  
8...c5 9.c3 Qb6 10.Qb3 Re8 11.Qxb6 axb6 12.Bb5  
Ra5 13.a4 c4 14.Bg3 [14.Nbd2! is again correct.]  
14...Ne4! 15.Bc7 Nd6



16.Bxb6? [16.Bxd6 exd6 17.Nbd2 or; 16.Na3 are good and solid.] 16...Nxb6 17.Bxe8 Nxe8+ This game shows once again that two minor pieces are stronger than rook and pawn. 18.Nbd2 Rxa4 19.Rxa4 Nxa4 20.e4 Kf8 21.exd5 Nxb2 22.Ne5 Nd6 23.Ra1 f6?! 24.Nxg6+ Kf7 25.Nf4 Bd7 26.Re1 Na4 27.Ne6 Bxe6 28.dxe6+ Ke8 29.Ra1 b5 30.f3 f5 31.Nf1 Kd8 32.Ra3 Nxc3! 33.Rxc3 Bxd4+ 34.Re3 f4 white resigns. 0-1

**(6) Stoltz,R – Modes,D [A57]**

Elmhurst class A, 23.03.2003

[Chow]

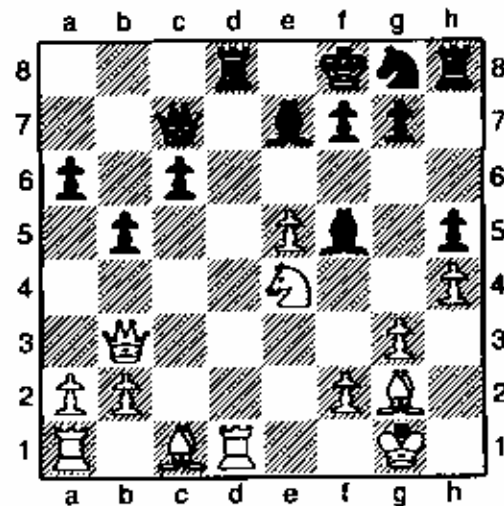
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 Benko's gambit. 5.Nc3 g6 6.e4 d8 7.Bf4 Bg7 8.Nf3 0-0 9.Qc2 Qa5 10.Bd2 Nbd7 11.Be2 axb5 12.Bxb5 Nxe4 13.Bxd7 Nxd2 14.Bxc8 Nxf3+ 15.gxf3 Rfxc8 16.0-0 Rcb8 17.Rab1 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rxb1 19.Rxb1 Qxa2 20.Rb8+ Kg7 21.Qb3 Qxb3 22.Rxb3 Ra1+ 23.Kg2 Rd1 24.c4 Rc1 25.Re3 Rxc4 26.Rxe7 Rd4 0-1

**(7) Tsyganov,I – Stannov,A [A07]**

Elmhurst class open (2), 22.03.2003

[Albert C.]

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 c6 3.Bg2 Bg4 4.Ne5 Bf5 5.d4 Nd7 6.0-0 Nxe5?! After this exchange black experiences problems completing his development. More natural seems Ngf6, e6, Be7, and castling with a normal and equal game. 7.dxe5 h5 Does black really believe he will open the h file and mate white on the kingside? This is not a good idea against such a sound and solid player as I.Tsyganov. 8.c4 e6 9.h4 Be7 10.Qa4! Kf8?! 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nc3 a6?! 13.e4! b5 14.Qb3 dxe4 15.Rd1 Qc7 16.Nxe4 Rd8?



[16...Qxe5 Black might as well risk grabbing material for example. 17.Bf4 Qe6] 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Be3

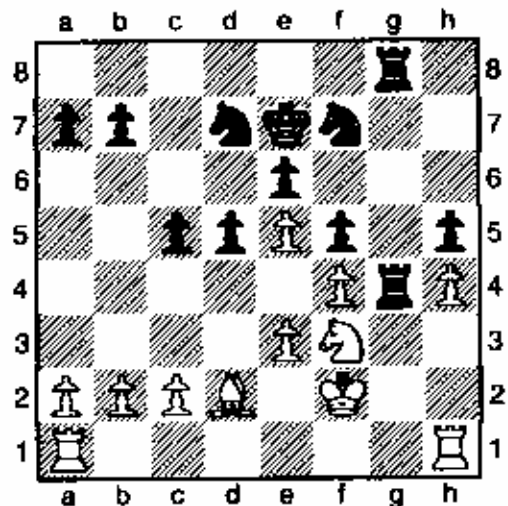
Bxe4 19.Bxe4 Qb8 20.Rc1 g5 This is another desperate move but it is hard to recommend any cure anymore. 21.hxg5 h4 22.Qc3 Kg7 23.g4 Bd8 24.f4 h3 25.f5 Rh4 26.f6+ Kh8 27.Bf3 Bb6 28.Kh1 Bxe3 29.Qxe3 h2 30.Qf2 Rh7 31.Be4 Rh3 32.Qg2 Rh4 33.Qg3 1-0

**(8) Arond,D – Gorlin,A [D02]**

Elmhurst class m/x (4), 23.03.2003

[FM Al Chow]

1.d4 a6 2.Nf3 d5 Now white could (and should) go for the Queen's gambit with 3.c4! 3.e3 Bd6 4.Bd3 f5! Instead of 4...Nf6 with a boring Colle system, black transposes to the Dutch Stonewall. 5.Ne5?! Instead of moving the same piece twice in the opening, correct is 5.00 Nf6 6.c4 c6 7.b3! 00 8.Ba3! 5...Bxe5!? 6.dxe5 c5 7.Bb5+? Bd7 8.Bxd7+ Nxd7 White has exchanged off black's problem bishop. 9.f4 Qh4+! 10.g3 Qh3 11.Kf2 Nh6 12.Qf1 Qxf1+ 13.Rxf1 g5! 14.h3 Nf7 15.Nd2 h5! 16.h4? gxh4 17.gxh4 Rg8 18.Nf3 Rg4! 19.Bd2 Ke7 20.Rh1 Rag8 Better pawn structure, good knights over bad bishop, outpost on the open file. Blacks advantages add up to a won game and Andrey Gorlin has the technique to prove it.



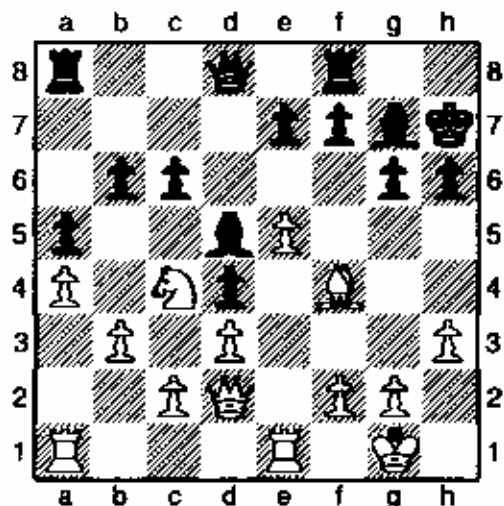
21.Ng5 Nf8! 22.Rh2 Ng6 23.Nf3 Nd8! 24.Rg1 Rxc1! 25.Nxc1 Nf8! 26.Nf3 Rg4 27.Be1 Nc6 28.Kf1 d4! Undermining breakthrough. 29.Ke2 dxe3 30.Kxe3 Ng6 31.Kd3 Nxf4+ 32.Kc4 Nd5+ 33.Kxc5 Kd7 34.c4 b6+ 35.Kb5 Nc7+ 36.Ka4 b5+ 37.Kb3 bxc4+ 38.Kc2 Nd5 39.Bc3 Rg3 40.Nd4 Ne3+ 41.Kc1 Rg1+ 42.Kd2 Nf1+ The final fork. 0-1

**(10) Palos,O – Tsyganov,I [B31]**

Elmhurst class m/x (4), 23.03.2003

[A.Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.Re1 Nf6  
6.Nc3 0-0 7.e5 Ng4 8.Bxc6 dxc6! 9.h3 Nh6 10.d3  
Nf5! 11.Bf4 Nd4 12.Ne4 b6 13.a4 a5 With a half point  
lead on the field going into the last round, Tsyganov  
demonstrates thematic opening moves to obtain a  
solid middle game. 14.Ned2 h6 15.Nc4 Be6 16.b3  
Bd5 17.Nxd4 cxd4 18.Qd2 Kh7 White could stay solid  
and maintain the balance, but Osmand wanted more  
and took the risky decision to weaken the pawn  
structure.



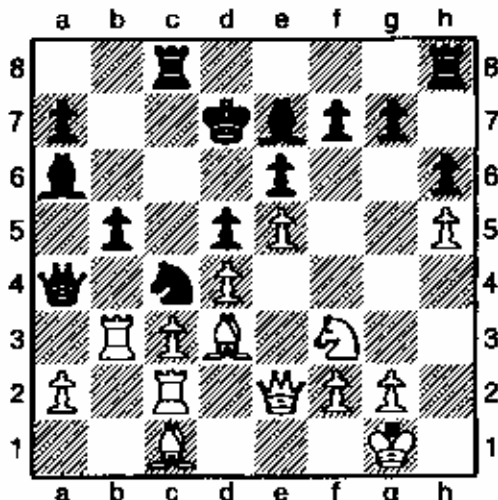
19.b4? Bxc4! 20.dxc4 axb4 21.Qxb4 Ra5 22.Rab1  
c5 23.Qb3 [23.Qxb6 Qxb6 24.Rxb8 Rxa4 and Rxc4  
favors black.] 23...Qc7 24.Bd2 Ra7 25.e6 Qc6! 26.a5  
bxa5 27.Qa3 fxe6 28.Rb5 a4 29.Rxc5 Qd6 30.Bb4  
Qf4! 31.Rf1 Qe4! Centralization. 32.Qa2 Qe2  
Threatening 33...d3 33.Qa3 Qxc2 34.Rc6 Qe4 35.Rb6  
d3! 36.c5 Qe2 37.Qc1 Bd4! 38.Be1 a3 39.Rb4 a2  
40.Bc3 Bxc3 41.Qxc3 Qxf1+! With this win over an  
IM, Igor gained clear first prize and confirmed his  
status as a Master. Congratulations! 0-1

**(11) Gorlin,A – Lung,R [B22]**

Elmhurst class m/x (1), 22.03.2003

[A.C.]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nf3 Nc6  
6.cxd4 e6 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.bxc3 d5 [8...d6! create  
counterplay in the center.] 9.Bd3 Be7 10.h4! h6  
11.Be3 Qa5 12.Qd2 b5?! [12...b6 with the idea of  
...Ba6 is a good plan in this French-like structure.]  
13.0-0 Ba6 14.Rfc1 Ba3 15.Rc2 Qa4 16.Qe2! Na5  
17.Bc1 Be7 18.h5! Rc8 19.Rb1 Nc4 20.Rb3 Kd7  
Mr.Gorlin enjoys the French from either side, and now  
shows how to break down the central pawn chain.

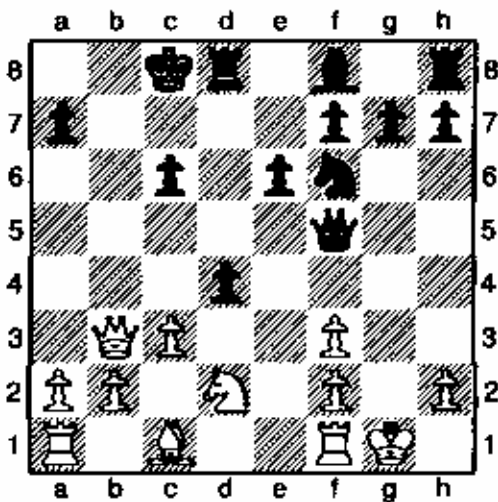


21.Ne1! Qa5 22.g3! Rhd8 23.f4! Rc6 24.Qg4! Bf8  
25.f5! Kc7 26.Ng2! Bc8 27.Nf4 exf5 28.Bxf5 Bxf5?  
[28...Kb8 improves the defense.] 29.Qxf5 f6 [29...Rd7  
30.e6! also hurts.] 30.exf6 Rxf6 31.Nxd5+ Rxd5  
32.Qxd5 a6 33.Bf4+ Bd6 34.Re2! Bxf4 35.Re7+ Kb8  
36.Qb7# 1-0

**(12) Stannov,A – Loncarevic,R [B22]**

Elmhurst class m/x (3), 23.03.2003 [A.C.]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Bg4  
6.Nbd2?! [6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 Nc6 is solid and equal.]  
6...Nc6 7.Bc4 Bxf3! 8.gxf3?! [8.Qxf3 Qxf3 9.Nxf3  
cxd4 10.Nxd4 Nxd4 11.cxd4 e6 offers white his best  
chance to equalize!] 8...Qf5! 9.Qb3 0-0-0! Robert also  
plays the 2.c3 Sicilian as white, and he knows the best  
theoretical answer to this offbeat line. 10.Bb5?  
[10.Bxf7 Nd5! 11.Bxd5 Rxd5 12.dxc5 e6 is slightly  
better for black.] 10...cxd4 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.0-0  
12...e6



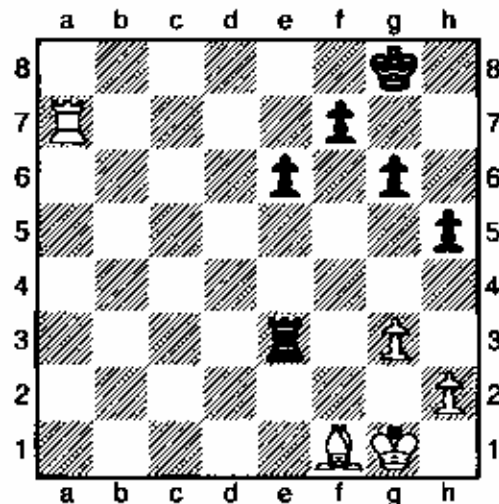
13.Qa4 Qb5! Instead of 13...Kb7, Robert gambits some poison pawns... 14.Qxa7 Bc5! 15.Qxf7 Rhe8! And white's queen is caught in a quicksand-quagmire. 16.a4 Qe2 17.b4 Re7! 18.Qxe7 Bxe7 19.a5 dxc3 20.Ne4 Nxe4 21.fxe4 Qg4+ 22.Kh1 Qxe4+ 23.f3 Qe2 24.Bf4 c2 25.a6 Rd1 0-1

**(13) Stefanovic,M – Loncarevic,R [B26]**

Elmhurst class m/x (2), 22.03.2003

[A.C.]

1.Nc3 d6 2.e4 c5 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 g6 5.d3 Bg7 6.Be3 e8 7.Qd2 Rb8 8.Nge2 b5 9.0-0 Qa5? 10.d4! b4 11.Nd1 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Nf6 14.b3 0-0 15.a3! Ba6 16.Re1 Rfc8 17.axb4 Qxb4 18.Qxb4 Rxb4 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Rxa6 Rxc2 21.Ne3 Rd2 22.Rb1 Bd4! 23.Bf1 Bxe3 24.fxe3 Rxe4 With only two pawns for a bishop, black seems to be in big trouble. 25.Re1 Rb2 26.Rxd6 Rxb3 27.Ra6 Rbx3 28.Rxe3 Rxe3 29.Rxa7 h5 A solid pawn structure and reduced material allow black to build an endgame fortress that is not easily breached.



30.Kf2 Rb3 31.h4 Rb4 32.Be2 Kg7 33.Ke3 Kf6 34.Ra5 Rb3+ 35.Bd3 Rb4 36.Ra3 Rg4 37.Kf2 Rb4 38.Kf3 Ke5 39.Ke3 Rg4 40.Ra5+ Kf6 41.Kf2 Rb4 42.Ra7 Rb3 43.Be2 Rb4 44.Rc7 Rd4 45.Bb5 Rd8! 46.Kf3 Rb8 Unable to make meaningful progress, white agreed to a drawn result. 1/2-1/2

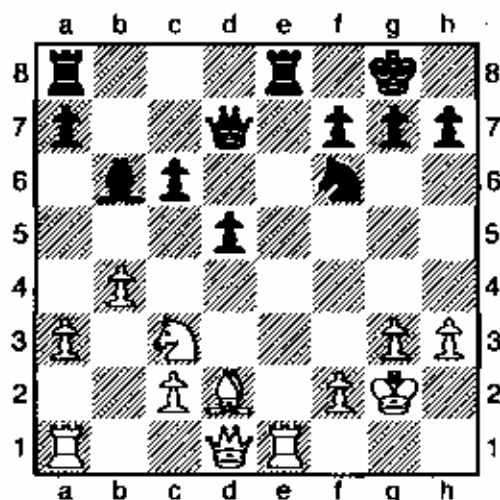
**(14) Kasiurak,Z (1538) – Baumgartner,C (1738) [B23]**

Elmhurst class B (3), 23.03.2003

[ChowmasterAl]

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.g3 d5! Say goodbye to the closed Sicilian, hello to a superior French. 4.exd5 exd5 5.d4 cxd4 6.Qxd4 Be6 7.Bg2 Nc6 Gaining good tempo.

8.Qd1 Nf6 9.Nge2 Be7 10.0-0 Qd7 11.Nd4 Bh3 12.Re1 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 0-0 14.h3 Bc5 15.Be3 Bb4 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Bd2 Rfe8 18.a3 Ba5 19.b4 Bb6



20.Na4?! [20.Qf3! was solid.] 20...Bxf2!? 21.Kxf2 Qxh3 22.Nc5 Ng4+ 23.Kf3 Qh5 [23...Ne5+!] 24.Kg2 [24.Rh1! was good.] 24...Qh2+ 25.Kf3 Ne5+! 26.Rxe5 Rxe5 27.Bf4 Qh5+ 28.Kf2 Qh2+ 29.Kf3 Rf5 30.Qd3? [30.Qe2! was the only move, with good chances to defend.] 30...Re8!+ 31.Nb7 g5! 32.g4? [32.Nd6 g4+ 33.Kxg4 Qh5#] 32...Rxf4# 0-1

**(15) Loncarevic,R – Palos,O [C06]**

Elmhurst class m/x (1), 22.03.2003

[Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ne2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.Nf3 f6 10.exf6 Nxf6 11.0-0 Bd6 12.Re1 0-0 13.Nf4 Re8 Afraid of moves like 14.Ng5 or 14.Nxd5!?, International master Osmand Palos offered a draw, and white accepted. 1/2-1/2

**(16) Chow,A (2210) – Gorlin,A (2156) [C06]**

Elmhurst class m/x (2), 22.03.2003

[A.Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ne2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.Nf3 f6 10.exf6 Nxf6 11.0-0 Bd6 A main line of the solid Tarrasch French. 12.Nc3 Bd7 13.h3 0-0 14.a3 Kh8 15.Be3 Rac8 16.Na4 Qd8 17.b4 b6 18.Rc1 Qe7 19.Re1 Rc7 20.Nc3 Nb8 21.Bg5! Rfc8 22.Qd2 Q7 23.Ne5 Bxe5 24.dxe5 Ng8 25.Ne2 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 27.Qxc1 Nc6 28.f4 h6 29.Bh4 Be8! 30.Qc3 Qb7 31.Bc2 Nce7 32.Bxe7 Nxe7 33.Nd4 Qd7 34.Kh2 White is slightly better, but short of time and unable to prove a clear win, offered a draw. 1/2-1/2

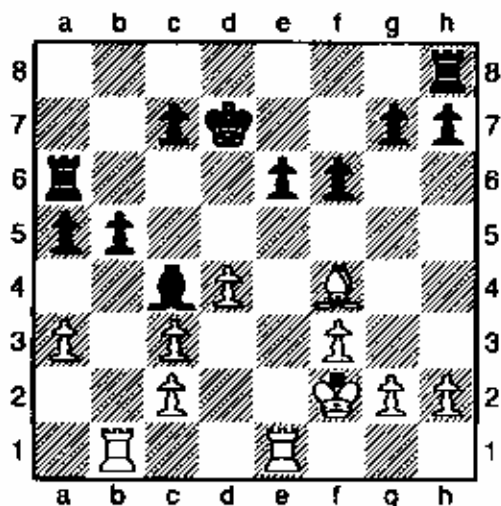
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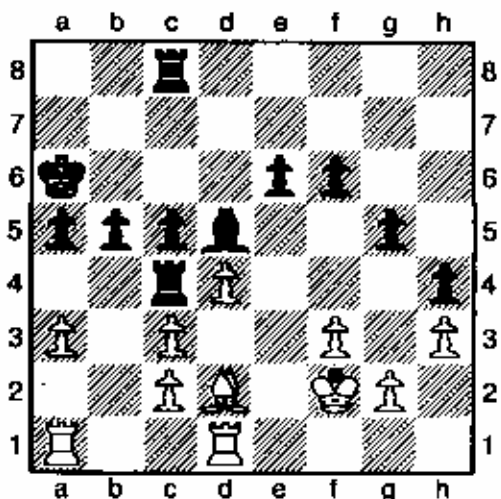
Elmhurst class m/x, 23.03.2003

[A. Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 b6! 3.Nf3 Bb7 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Bd3 Nf6  
6.Qe2 d5 A delayed French! 7.exd5 Qxd5 8.0-0  
[8.Bd2 would avoid doubled c pawns.] 8...Bxc3 9.bxc3  
Qh5 Threatening Bxf3 with more doubled pawns.  
10.Ne5 Qxe2 11.Bxe2 Nbd7 12.Bb5? a6 13.Bxd7+  
Nxd7 14.Nxd7 Kxd7 Perhaps white thought to draw  
due to opposite color bishops, but Palos shows great  
imagination, technique, and will to win, making the  
maximum of his chances. 15.Re1 Bd5! 16.f3 a5  
17.Kf2 b5 18.a3 f6 19.Rb1 Bc4 20.Bf4 Ra6



21.Ke3 Rc8 22.Red1 Kc6 23.Kf2 Rd8 24.Rd2 Rd5  
25.Re1 Kd7 26.Red1 Rc6 27.Bg3 Kc8 28.h3 Kb7  
29.Bh2 Rd7 30.Ke1 Bd5 31.Rd3 Rc4 32.Bf4 Rd8  
33.Bd2 Rc8 34.Be3 Ka6 35.Ra1 g5! 36.Kf2 Rg8  
37.Bd2 h5 38.Re3 h4! 39.Ree1 Rc8 40.Red1 c5!



41.dxc5 R8xc5 42.Re1 Rc6 43.Re3 Rc8 44.Rd3 Ra4  
45.Be1 Kb7 46.Rdd1 f5 47.Bd2 f4! 48.Re1 Kc6  
49.Re5 Rg8 50.Ree1 Kd6 51.Reb1 Rb8 52.Bc1 e5  
53.Bb2 e4! 54.fxe4 Rxe4 55.Re1 Rbe8 56.Rxe4 Rxe4  
57.Rd1 Ke6 58.Rd2 Bc4 59.Bc1 Kf5 60.a4 bxa4  
Almost in zugzwang and out of time in the sudden  
death, white soon blundered and lost. 0-1

### (18) Nienart, C (1957) - Hubbard, A (1928) [C13]

Elmhurst class m/x, 22.03.2003

[AI Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7  
6.h4? [6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.f4 is better.] 6...Bxg5! 7.hxg5  
Qxg5 Now white will remain a pawn down deep into  
the endgame. 8.Nh3 Qe7 9.Nf4 Nc6 10.Qg4 g6 11.0-0  
0-0 h5 12.Qf3 Nb6 13.g4 h4 14.Qe3 Bd7 15.g5 Qxg5  
16.Nfxd5 Qxe3+ 17.Nxe3 Ne7 18.Bg2 0-0-0 19.Ne4  
Bc6 20.c3 Nbd5 21.Nxd5 Bxd5 22.b3 Nf5 23.Rh2  
Bxe4 24.Bxe4 c6 25.Bxf5 exf5 26.f4 Rh7 27.Rh3 Kd7  
28.Kd2 Ke6 29.Rdh1 Rdh8 30.Rg1 Rh5 31.Ke3 R8h6  
32.c4 f6 33.exf6 Kxf6 34.Kf3 g5 35.fxg5+ Rxg5  
36.Rgh1 Rg4 37.Rd1 Kg5 38.d5 Rd6 39.dxc6 Rxc6  
[39...Rxd1?? 40.c7! queens.] 40.Rd7 Rf4+ 41.Kg2  
Re6 42.Rg7+ Kh5 43.Rh7+ Rh6 44.Rxh6+ [44.Rxb7  
Rg6+ is no better.] 44...Kxh6 45.Rd3 Rg4+ 46.Kh2  
Rg7 47.a3 Rf7 48.c5 f4 49.Kg2 Kg5 50.b4 Kg4  
51.Rd8 h3+ 52.Kf2 Rh7 53.Rg8+ Kf5 54.Rg1 Ke4  
55.b5 Kd5 56.c6 bxc6 57.bxc6 Kxc6 58.Kf3 Kb5  
59.Kxf4 Ka4 60.Ra1 h2 61.Rh1 Kxa3 62.Kg5 a5  
63.Kg6 Rh8 64.Kg7 Rh3 65.Kg6 a4 66.Kg5 Kb2  
67.Kg4 Rh8 68.Kg3 a3 69.Kg2 a2 70.Rf1 h1Q+  
71.Rxh1 Rxh1 0-1

## June 8<sup>th</sup>. Sunday ICA MEETING

Officer's meeting  
12-1:15pm

General meeting 1:30-4pm.

Tentative location will be the  
Frick Center at Elmhurst  
College



## *Illinois State Scholastic Championship 2003*

by Chris Merli

This year's Illinois State Scholastic tournament was an organizational masterpiece. This may sound like self-praise coming from the chief TD but the success was not due to my work. The job of the chief TD is usually to troubleshoot when things go wrong, make rulings when the issues grow in complexity and calming players, parents and coaches. My biggest job at this year's event was to point young players to the right door.

I was certainly concerned when I discovered that the registrations for the tournament were almost twice what was previously anticipated but Doug Hillary, Jim Furry and the Tri-valley team had done such a good job of organization that there was little left to chance. Thanks to the back room pairing TDs the rounds ran no more than a few minutes late at any one time and most were right on time. Players and fans had a large skittles area to relax between rounds. Meanwhile the tournament halls were spacious and comfortable. The tournament directors and proctors working the playing halls also did a great job. Volunteers were everywhere so that someone seemed to appear ready with an answer even before there was a problem. Even the usual log jams of people were not evident since the Tri-Valley squad created a simple efficient system to pass out pairings before the rounds.

One would think that such calm might bring tranquility to the games as well but the battles on the board were anything but peaceful. The tournament featured 745 players in 3 sections: Primary (K-3), Elementary (4-5) and Junior High (6-8). Each section started with more players than we could reasonably hope to resolve in 7 rounds so the top two sections used accelerated pairings. This meant that the higher rated players did not have to wait long for the battle to come to them. In the Primary section there were over 100 unrated players and so that section could not be accelerated.

In the Primary section 345 players had hopes of being named Illinois Champion. 3<sup>rd</sup> grader Joshua Dubin was the heavy favorite with a 1415 rating that was over 100 points higher than the

next player. However his march to victory came to a screeching halt in the 7<sup>th</sup> round when Eric Rosen took the full point to become one of only two players with a perfect score. Eric was joined by Jack Mallers as this year's Co-Champions. In the team competition, Sprague Half Day School tied with Orrington Elementary and Prainieland at 22 game points but managed to find ½ extra tiebreak point and took home the big trophy. In the Elementary group there was no surprise as Zach Kasiurak bested 219 other players and stamped his name on the top spot a full point ahead of the field. Frankie Swindell, son of Frank Swindell of Chess Utopia, finished second on tiebreaks in a large group of players with 6 points including 3<sup>rd</sup> Grader Jason Chien from the downstate powerhouse Bent Elementary. Apparently Jason played up to help the team and it paid off big as Bent finished 2 points ahead of the next nearest school with three of its players scoring 6 out of 7.

The Junior High section was loaded with talent as 8 of the 178 players were on the nations top 100 list for their age group including the 20<sup>th</sup> ranked 13 year old Chris Neinart at 1977. With such competition it was not a surprise that even his 300 rating point lead was not enough to nail down first place. Nor was it a surprise that the winner did not have a perfect score. What was surprising was that Nathan Wong, the 12<sup>th</sup> ranked player at the start of the tournament with a rating over 500 points below the leader, was the clear winner with 6.5 out of 7. Nathan's performance also vaulted his team, Aptakisic Junior High, to a 1.5-point win over Bloomington Junior High School. Before feeling too sorry for the Bloomington kids, their 6 top players are all returning next year for another shot at the crown.

Just as the tournament had run all weekend the trophy presentation went off like clockwork. Row after row of impressive looking trophies found their way into eager young arms. Watching the e-mail loop the downstate organizers use I have seen nothing but praise for the organizing team. The fact that this may be their last event is a real tragedy for downstate scholastic chess. We can only hope someone picks up the banner.

For more complete information on the tournament visit the Tri-Valley website at <http://tri-valley.k12.il.us/es/activities/chessclub/State.htm>

# *Illinois State Scholastic Chess Championship 2003*

By Hector Hernandez

The following children from our library chess club played in this year's Illinois State Scholastic Chess Championship in Bloomington at the end of March: Adrian Abaunza, Matthew Gonzales, Juan Herrera, and Carlos Lefranc. David Ohlhausen who visits our club periodically, also participated in this event. Adrian and David had outstanding 6-1 results. Adrian, who was in the K-3<sup>rd</sup> Division brought home a beautiful trophy for 9<sup>th</sup> place overall among 352 children. Only 3 players scored more points than him- two scored 7-0 and one had 6.5 points. Not bad for a kid who played in his first tournament last September and had played in only three tournaments prior to this one. Adrian's only loss in the tournament came in round 5 against Justin McDonald. Upon the conclusion of their game, Justin-who is a very courteous and polite young boy-came over to our table and analyzed the game and shared ideas with Adrian. He even let the Abaunza's borrow his scorebook so they would both have a complete and accurate record of their game. Afterwards, when Adrian received his trophy Justin went over to congratulate him. David, playing Black in the last round, had a nice win against Eitan Frankel from the prestigious Latin School of Chicago team. The victory secured for him the 4<sup>th</sup> place overall trophy in the Junior High Division. Last autumn, in a similar tournament, Carlos got the first place trophy for top unrated player in the K-3<sup>rd</sup> section. This time around his record was 5 wins and 2 losses and he got a medal for this performance. Matthew, who is in kindergarten, was playing in his first tournament and scored 1.5 points. He also

brought home a trophy. Juan Herrera, age 13, had a chance for a perfectly even score of +3, -3, =1. However, he missed a move that would force a draw in the last round. As the tutor of these children, I am very pleased with their noteworthy accomplishments.

## *Teacher competes, Leads by example*

I have earned the ICA Ex-Urban Tour first place prize in the Master Section. Also being the top scorer in the A Section of the ICA Tour, with 92 points to Mike Maloney's 76, is very rewarding. However, since Tour rules specify "only one prize per player", I was awarded the higher prize. I was somewhat more active as a player over the last 12 months than I had been in the last few years. Over the last six months I have managed to turn in two 4-0 performances; one in Rockford in early October and the other one at the Elmhurst Class Championships in March. During the month of March I had the pleasure of playing 3 of the top young players in the U.S.A. Scott Schmidt (age 13, ranked 51<sup>st</sup>), Daniel Leung (16, 47<sup>th</sup>), and Andrew Hubbard (15, 30<sup>th</sup>). These three fine competitors have been posting outstanding results in scholastic events for a few years now. For example, Scott finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the State Scholastic event this year-inflicting David Ohlhausen his only loss in the tournament; Daniel was part of the team from Franklin Elementary School in Park Ridge that won national recognition by becoming K-5 National Champions and, I believe, a state champion at one time. The first memory I have of Andrew dates back a few years when Jose Rodriguez, probably 7 years old then, had him on the ropes but couldn't finish him off. I played Scott at the Greater Peoria Open, and Daniel and Andrew in Elmhurst. I was able to win all three encounters.

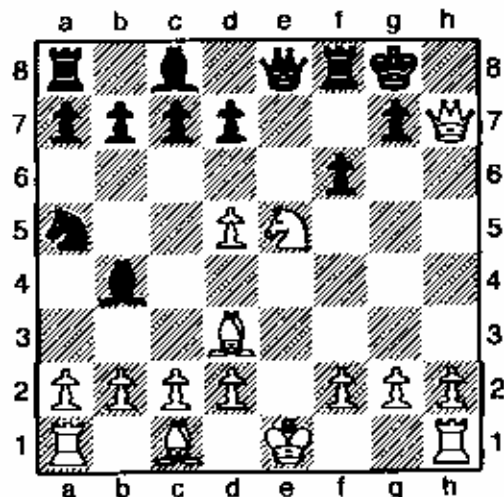
Following is a selection of games played by the players mentioned in this article.

**ABAUNZA,A (889) - HONNOLD,J (626)**

2003 Illinois State Scholastic Chess Ch

[Hector Hernandez]

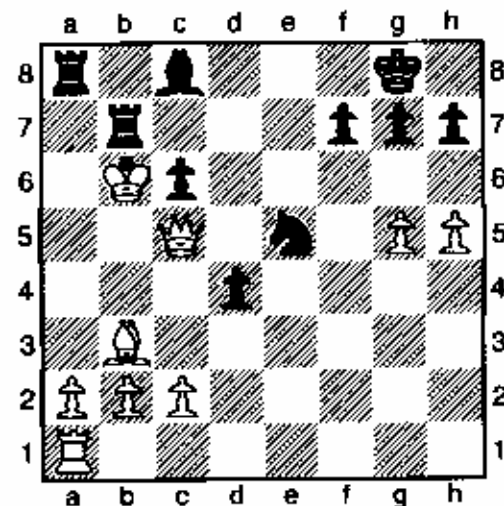
This game was played in round 6. Jay and Adrian each had achieved a record of 4 wins and 1 loss in the first five rounds. 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Be4 Bb4 5.Nd5 Nxd5 6.exd5 Na5 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nxe5 Qe8 9.Qh5 9. Qe2 followed by castling would be more sound. 9...f6 9. ... g6 would pose problems for White. 10.Qxb7#



Final position. 1-0

**NICKLAS,M (900) - ABAUNZA,A (889)**

2003 Illinois State Scholastic Chess Ch (7).



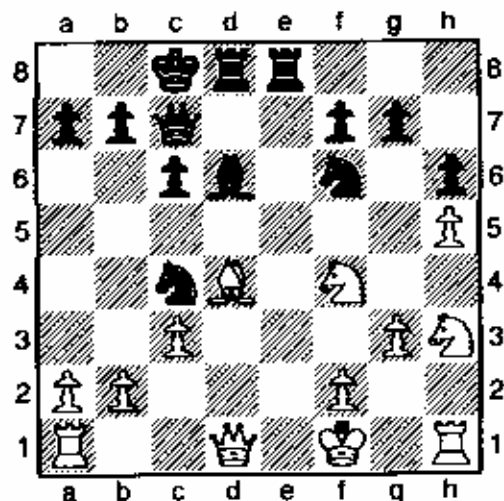
Adrian concluded his performance in this year's scholastic championship with 37. ... Rb7# in this the final round of the tournament. He earned the 9th place trophy in the K-3rd Division. 0-1

**FRANKELE,E (1356) - OHLHAUSEN,D**

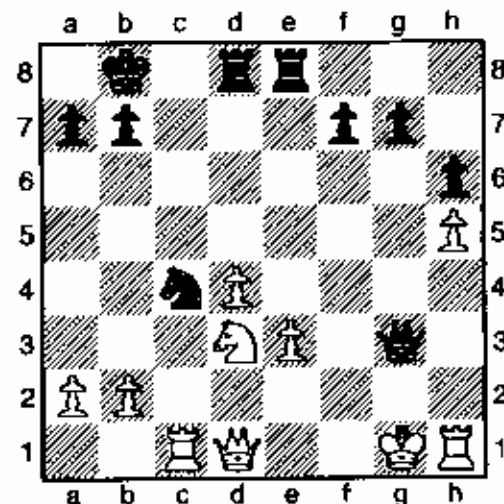
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[Hector R. Hernandez]

1.E4 C6 2.D4 D5 3.NC3 DXE4 4.NXE4 BF5 5.NG3 BG6 6.NH3 E6 7.NF4 BD6 8.H4 QC7 9.NGE2 NF6 10.H5 BF5 11.C3 H6 12.G3 NBD7 13.BH3 BXH3 14.NXH3 E5 15.DXE5 NXE5 16.NEF4 0-0-0 17.BE3 NC4 18.BD4 This bishop will become the object of a pin and be captured by a lowly pawn from the Black army. 18...RHE8+ 19.KF1



19...BXF4 20.NXF4 C5 21.RC1 KB8 22.ND3 CXD4 23.CXD4 ND5 24.KG1 NDE3 25.FXE3 QXG3+



White resigns as he will soon lose his queen and be checkmated in short order. 0-1

# *Illinois State Scholastic Chess Championship 2003*

By Doug Hillary

March 29th and 30th, the Bloomington/Normal Area Scholastic Chess sponsored the 2003 Illinois State Scholastic Chess Championships at the Interstate Center in Bloomington. Nearly 750 students, K-8, represented over 150 different schools through out the state to play 7 games over two days.

I would like to thank all those that helped to keep this tournament going smoothly. To all the scorers, proctors, and TDs, your assistance is greatly appreciated. To all the back room staff, you once again proved to be the heart and veins of yet another smooth tournament. Kathy, Mary, Cindy, Steve, Heather, Michael, Gina, and Mike, without your support the tournament would never have run this smoothly. Each one of you were always right there waiting for an assignment to do what needed to be done. A big thank you to the other organizers; Bill, Fred, Amy, Mike, and Mark, thank you for stepping up and taking on parts of organizing this tournament, it definitely allowed me to spend more time on the logistics of the actual day. Thank you also goes out to the Interstate Center staff for working with us so well to make everything flow so smoothly, Larry, Jay, and Ryan, you were a joy to work with all weekend.

But most of all, there are three individuals that without their support, there is no possible way this tournament could have happened. Robin, you were there to do anything that needed to be done and always watching for the fine details that I would try to overlook. Your dedication and willingness are greatly appreciated. Nicole, you once again proved to be the heart of registrations and the computer room, no matter how much we plan and predict, without your dedication to these areas we would never have had a solid

tournament. Finally, Jim, my deepest gratitude for all you have done for this tournament. You were always available to walk things through and double-check my thoughts. Your insight and opinions on the tournament proved to be of major importance to its success. As many of you know, Jim and I intend to retire from coaching the Tri-Valley Chess Club this year, but ending on a tournament like this one, could make anyone reconsider...

We all sincerely hope that everyone had an enjoyable time at the tournament and feel that it was successful and worthwhile in Bloomington/Normal.

Sincerely ,

Doug Hillary  
Director, B/N Area Scholastic Chess  
Coach Tri-Valley Chess Club



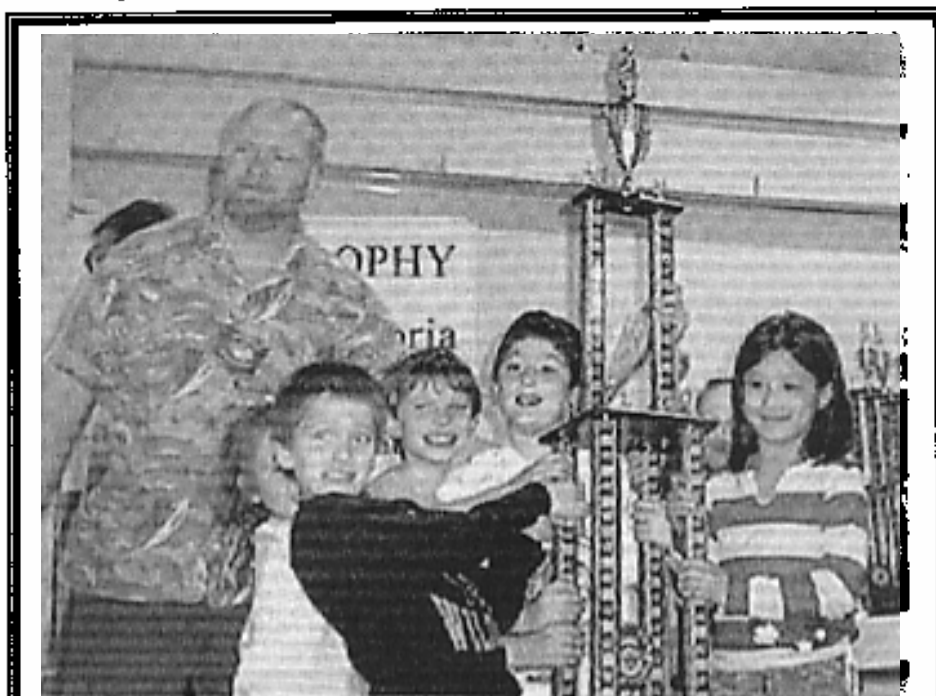
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The following files list the results of the tournament for each section. All TD decisions at this time are final.

The top teams in the Primary Section (K-3) were as follows:



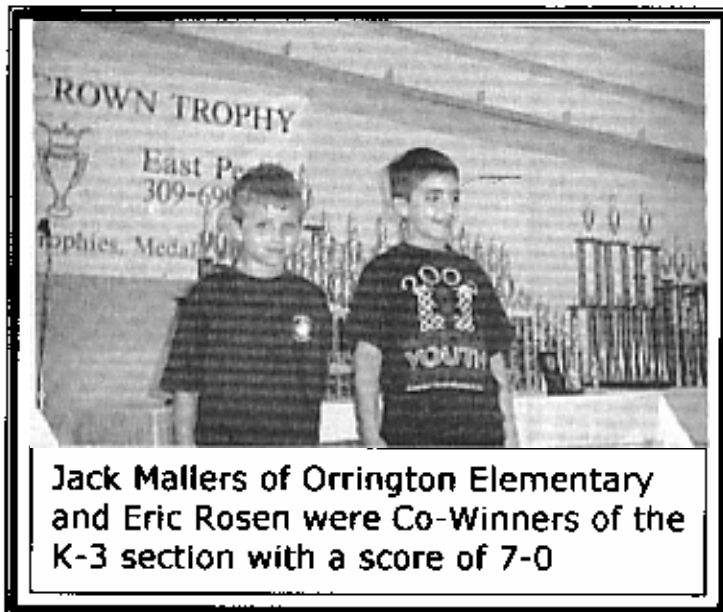
There was a 3-way tie for 1st place in Primary (K-3) between Half Day Sprague of Lincolnshire, IL, Orrington of Evanston, IL and Prairieland of Normal, IL all with 22 point.

Half Day Sprague took 1st place on tiebreaks. The top scorers for Half Day Sprague were Joshua Dubin, 6.0; Adarsh Jayakumar, 5.5; Adele Padgett, 5.5 and Eric Monatelli, 5.0

Plc	Code	Name (Players:Top 4 used)	Score	Cum	Solk	CumOp	SBx2
1	HDSL1	Half Day Sprague (8)	22.0	90.5	120.5	511.0	173.0
2	ORREV	Orrington Elementary (10)	22.0	90.0	118.0	500.0	178.0
3	PRRNO	Prairieland (5)	22.0	86.0	116.0	489.5	176.0
4	CHLCS	Christian Life Center (5)	21.5	88.5	114.0	485.0	158.5
5	TRIVA	Tri-Valley (19)	21.5	84.5	108.0	472.5	157.5
6	LTNCH	Latin School (11)	21.0	82.0	105.5	471.5	144.0
7	BZAEM	Bernard Zell Anshe Emet (14)	19.5	82.0	111.0	473.0	139.5
8	METNO	Metcalf (10)	19.0	77.0	111.5	459.5	131.0
9	MLKRO	Martin Luther King Chess Team (9)	19.0	73.0	104.0	431.5	122.0
10	NOONA	Noonan Elementary (5)	18.5	82.5	125.0	516.0	151.5
11	GLNNO	Glenn Elementary (12)	18.5	80.0	115.5	486.5	135.0
12	WSHEV	Washington School, Evanston (7)	18.5	77.0	107.5	443.5	118.5

The top individual finishers in the Primary Section were as follows:

No.	Name	Team	Gr	Pts
1	Rosen, Eric	MDDSK	3	7.0
2	Mallers, Jack	ORREV	3	7.0
3	Cen, Kent		3	6.5
4	Dubin, Joshua	HDSL1	3	6.0
5	McDonald, Justin	CHLCS	3	6.0
6	Meduri, Aakaash	MICLB	3	6.0
7	Schmakel, Sam		1	6.0
8	Malhotra, Samarth	MICLB	2	6.0
9	Abaunza, Adrian	RDYCH	3	6.0
10	Hubbard, Mark	ABLGE	3	6.0
11	Bresler, Alex	BZAEM	2	6.0
12	Niemczewski, Martin	HTPSS	3	6.0
13	Vaughan, Benjamin	LTNCH	2	6.0
14	Tagala, Aaron	TRIVA	1	6.0
15	Malecki, Alexander	HTPSS	3	6.0
16	Cather, Elise	PRRNO	2	6.0



Jack Mallers of Orrington Elementary and Eric Rosen were Co-Winners of the K-3 section with a score of 7-0

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The top teams in the Elementary Section (4-5) were as follows:



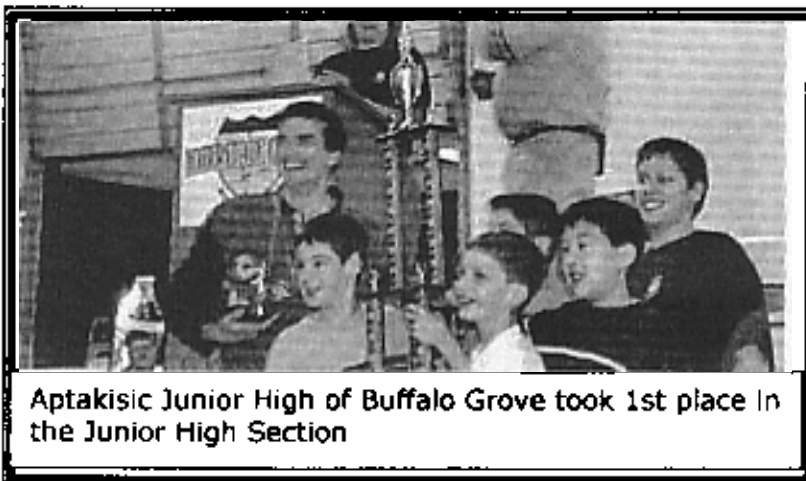
Coach Bill Barton with the Bent School Team from Bloomington, IL.

Pic Code	Name (Players:Top 4 used)	Score	Cum	Solk	CumOp	SBx2
1 BNTBL	Bent (8)	22.0	86.0	119.5	504.5	173.0
2 SGLGR	St Gilberts (8)	20.0	82.5	117.5	491.0	151.0
3 PRRNO	Prairieland (10)	19.0	74.0	109.0	450.0	130.0
4 METNO	Metcalf (12)	19.0	69.5	104.5	435.0	129.0
5 MLKRO	Martin Luther King Chess Team (9)	18.5	73.0	104.5	442.0	121.5
6 CLNNO	Colene Hoose (10)	18.0	74.0	115.0	474.5	134.0
7 PACPE	Peoria Academy (9)	17.5	70.0	110.5	439.5	119.5
8 FORES	Forest Elementary School (13)	17.5	66.0	101.0	410.0	106.5
9 CHRGE	Churchill Elementary (4)	16.5	69.5	108.0	454.5	124.0
10 DEWEV	Dewey (6)	16.0	69.0	107.5	446.5	107.0

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The top individual finishers in the Elementary Section were as follows:

No.	Name	Team	Gr	Pts
1	Kasiurak, Zach	HOUGH	5	7.0
2	Swindell, Frankie	SGLGR	5	6.0
3	Magness, Trevor		4	6.0
4	Schmidt, Eric	BNTBL	4	6.0
5	Barton, Aaron	BNTBL	5	6.0
6	Chien, Jason	BNTBL	3	6.0
7	Nogulich, Nicolaus	CHRGE	4	6.0
8	Medina, James	LNCEV	4	6.0
9	Ruan, Gordon J	COSUR	5	5.5
10	Chen, Byron	JEFEL	5	5.5
11	Feng, Justin	DWHLI	4	5.5
12	Johnston, Sean	FORES	5	5.5
13	Cordell, Alexander R		4	5.5
14	Robert, Isaac		4	5.5
15	Auger, Michael	FARCH	4	5.5



Aptakistic Junior High of Buffalo Grove took 1st place in the Junior High Section

The top teams in the Junior High Section (6-7-8) were as follows:

Plc	Code	Name (Players: Top 4 used)	Score	Cum	Solk	CumOp	SBx2
1	APTBG	Aptakistic Junior High (6)	21.5	82.0	113.0	482.5	167.5
2	BLMBL	Bloomington Junior High School (11)	20.5	83.0	123.5	501.0	171.0
3	LTNCH	Latin School (10)	20.0	87.5	129.5	531.5	173.0
4	PJHNO	Parkside Junior High (9)	18.5	79.0	120.0	499.5	143.0
5	NCHEV	Nichols Middle School (6)	18.5	74.5	113.0	455.5	132.0
6	BNJWC	Benjamin Team (6)	17.5	65.5	97.5	412.0	106.5
7	CHINO	Chiddix (15)	17.0	68.0	107.0	433.5	114.5
8	NOONA	Noonan Elementary (5)	16.5	63.5	105.0	438.0	107.5
9	HDLGE	Hadley Junior High (4)	16.0	71.0	115.0	476.0	116.5
10	CHTEV	Chute Middle School (12)	15.5	65.0	107.5	427.5	98.0



The top individual finishers in the Jr. High Section were:

No.	Name	Team	Gr	Pts
1	Wong, Nathan	APTBG	7	6.5
2	Nienart, Chris	FORES	7	6.0
3	Velazquez, Kevin	BRBCH	7	6.0
4	Obihausen, David	LNCCH	7	6.0
5	Cohen, Daniel	APTBG	8	6.0
6	Schmidt, Scott	BLMBL	7	5.5
7	Lung, Jonathan	FRAPR	6	5.5
8	Damore, James		8	5.5
9	Damashek, Elliot	NCHEV	8	5.5
10	Klink, Steven	HDLGE	7	5.5

Nathan Wong of Aptakisic Jr. High of Buffalo Grove, IL took 1st place in Junior High with 6.5-0.5



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9:10- 10:10	Class /Workshop	12:30-1:30	Tournament Game/Review Tournament Game w/Instructor
10:10-10:30	Break	1:30-1:40	Break/Review games
10:30-11:30	Class/Workshop	1:40-2:30	Class/Workshop
11:30-11:40	A Biblical Thought		

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## St. Charles Chess Club

by  
Dan Pradt

The Club Championship finished on March 13, following a script we have seen several times before. Jeff Weiwei (2021) dropped his second round game to Jesse Freidel (1516). Marcus Stinson (1841), by drawing a rook and pawn ending a pawn down against Charles Jennings (1842) in the fourth round, and beating Wally Alberts (1700) in the fifth round, came into the sixth a half point ahead of Wiewel, at 4.5-0.5.

The two paired off in the final round, Wiewel paying his usual Alekine's Defence. Jeff

left his King in the middle (as usual), held off Stinson's attack, and won the endgame. Jeff finished first with 5-1, and Marcus, having his pocket picked in the final round yet one more time, was second with 4.5.

The top Junior spot was also decided in the final round, as Paul Freidel (1840), with 3.5 points, squared off against brother, Jesse, who had 4. After about 35 moves, in what seemed to be an equal position, Paul contrived a mating net with two Bishops and a Rook. Paul wound up with 4.5, a tie for second, and the Junior trophy.

Also tying for second were Ralph McGraw (1656), and Carl Staples (1458). 34 people participated.

1. Weiwei, Jeff	2021	W17	L6	W18	W7	W14	W2	5.0
2. Stinson, Marcus	1841	W22	W10	W3	D13	W8	L1	4.5
3. Freidel, Paul	1840	W11	W24	L2	W26	D5	W6	4.5
4. McGraw, Ralph	1656	H	L5	W17	W16	W21	W8	4.5
5. Staples, Carl	1458	H	W4	W21	D6	D3	W15	4.5
6. Freidel, Jesse	1516	W23	W1	D14	D5	W13	L3	4.0
7. Freidel, Jeremiah	1434	W32	L13	W22	L1	W27	W19	4.0
8. Alberts, Wally	1700	W18	W27	D13	W15	L2	L4	3.5
9. Lindner, Eric	1409	W30	D14	L15	W31	H	D12	3.5
10. Hlinckley, Jeffrey	1393	W31	L2	L26	W23	H	W21	3.5
11. Pivovitz, Matt	1275	L3	W30	W32	L21	H	W24	3.5
12. Kargol, Frank	UNR	H	D17	L20	W18	W26	D9	3.5
13. Jennings, Charles	1842	W25	W7	D8	D2	L6	N	3.0
14. Allison, Roger	1700	W26	D9	D6	X	L1	N	3.0
15. Padilla, Rudy	1500	H	W19	W9	L8	D22	L5	3.0
16. Gilberto, Frank E.	1359	D19	L21	W33	L4	D17	W25	3.0
17. Hanke, Paul	1303	L1	D12	L4	W32	D16	W27	3.0
18. Freidel, Dennis	1260	L8	W28	L1	L12	W34	W26	3.0
19. Buerger, Michael	736	D16	L15	W25	W24	H	L27	3.0
20. Meissen, Bowen	1694	L27	H	W12	N	N	X	3.0
21. McCoy, Nathan	1654	H	W16	L5	W11	L4	L10	2.5
22. Jurgensen, Alan	1275	L2	W23	L7	W28	D15	N	2.5
23. Carlton, Zechariah	1136	L6	L22	W34	L10	H	W31	2.5
24. Stinson, Trevor	1417	W33	L3	L27	L19	W32	L11	2.0
25. Stump, Paul	1298	L13	L32	L19	W33	W28	L16	2.0
26. Gilberto, Frank P	1197	L14	W34	W10	L3	L12	L18	2.0
27. Gutierrez, Guodalo	1145	W20	L8	W24	F	L7	L17	2.0
28. Kelley, Gregory	UNR	N	L18	W30	L22	L25	W32	2.0
29. Suits, John	1335	H	N	N	N	N	W34	1.5
30. Baus, Eddie	791	L9	L11	L28	X	H	F	1.5
31. Luebker, Greg	786	L10	B	H	L9	N	L23	1.5
32. Laughler, Lloyd	1127	L7	W25	L11	L17	L24	L28	1.0
33. Carlton, Robert	857	L24	H	L16	L25	N	N	0.5
34. Villagomez, Elizabeth	UNR	N	L26	L23	F	L18	L29	0.0

## The 2003 Greater Peoria Open Report

By Wayne Zimmerle

Counting the two housemen, the Greater Peoria Open had 49 players this year. There was still plenty of room at the Lakeview Museum for another 49. But considering last year we only had 28 players, we're not complaining. Some said they were there for the tour points, some just liked the consistency of the GPO being in March all the time, others liked the time control. For whatever reason, thanks to those who came and played.

The GPO format is a Heritage Event. It has been around for a long time. It has changed through the years with the times. Its had its ups and downs, so a few years back the 80 percent

guaranteed payback was instituted. The Greater Peoria Chess Federation still guaranteed the \$500.00 minimum to be a ICA Tour event, but we also intended to give back as much of the entry fees as possible. So the prize fund really is based on the players. This setup/system guarantees that the GPO will remain a Heritage Event for a long, long time.

The free entry for Masters and above brought in two Masters this year. Aleksanda Stannov won the tournament outright, despite his 50-move draw with David Long. Then there was a huge 4-way tie for second place. Seven players ended up with 3 1/2 points apiece. Everyone played hard.

If you still haven't had a chance to see what a fine playing site Lakeview Museum is, the April 26<sup>th</sup> tournament would make a fine opportunity. I'll leave you with the complete standings from the GPO.

### Greater Peoria Open

March 1-2, 2003

								score	tour
1	STAMNOV Aleksandar	2236	W18	D 10	W17	W 9	W 6	4.5	19 M
2	MC ENTEE Tim R	2190	W19	W11	D 8	W10	D 4	4	12 MX
3	COHEN Lawrence S	2007	W37	W30	D 9	D 14	W15	4	12 MX
4	KARAGIANIS Pete	1982	W43	W42	D 6	W24	D 2	4	12 MXA
5	LEALI Michael E	1896	W47	L 6	W31	W16	W14	4	12 MXA
6	MOTE David B	2243	W23	W 5	D 4	W 8	L 1	3.5	7 M
7	NAFF William A	2004	W25	W21	W22	H	-	3.5	7 MX
8	HERNANDEZ Hector	1916	W44	W31	D 2	L 6	W23	3.5	7 MXA
9	FRISKE Thomas G	1910	W38	W15	D 3	L 1	W21	3.5	7 MXA
10	LONG David	1852	W27	D 1	W12	L 2	W24	3.5	7 MXA
11	JARRETTE Phil	1834	W34	L 2	D 23	W26	W25	3.5	7 MXA
12	BRUMLEY Ron Eugene	1969	D 24	W16	L 10	H	W31	3	6 MXA
13	MC GOWAN Andy J	1944	W32	F 14	H	W37	D 17	3	6 MXA
14	ANDERSON Phil	1805	W39	X 13	H	D 3	L 5	3	6 MXA
15	DAVIS Jeffrey E	1742	W36	L 9	W35	W30	L 3	3	6 MXAB
16	GROEGER Andrew T	1741	W41	L 12	W20	L 5	W35	3	6 MXAB
17	BAUMGARTNER Chris	1738	D 28	W26	L 1	W32	D 13	3	6 MXAB
18	STEVENS Joseph M	1654	L 1	L 20	W34	W45	W30	3	6 MXAB
19	ENGELN Mark S	1634	L 2	W47	L 30	W36	W29	3	6 MXAB
20	MAHMOOD Omar A	1240	L 30	W18	L 16	W42	W37	3	6 MXABCD
21	MC DONALD Jordan	1809	W35	L 7	W43	D 25	L 9	2.5	5 MXA
22	BOURGERIE Dennis	1747	W40	W29	L 7	H	-	2.5	5 MXAB
23	SCHMIDT Scott	1656	L 6	W33	D 11	W28	L 8	2.5	5 MXAB
24	LEALI Matthew A	1597	D 12	W28	W29	L 4	L 10	2.5	5 MXABC
25	PARSONS Michael Alan Jr	1539	L 7	W34	W42	D 21	L 11	2.5	5 MXABC
26	PADILLA Rudy R	1500	H	L 17	W39	L 11	W41	2.5	5 MXABC
27	KELLY James R	1343	L 10	W36	H	L 29	W40	2.5	5 MXABCD
28	BERNALES Robert Jr	-	D 17	L 24	W38	L 23	W42	2.5	5 M
29	MALONEY Michael A	1923	W48	L 22	L 24	W27	L 19	2	4 MXA
30	COVIC Mehmed	1811	W20	L 3	W19	L 15	L 18	2	4 MXA
31	HOLMES Michael N	1679	W45	L 8	L 5	W44	L 12	2	4 MXAB
32	SUAREZ Ronald J	1512	L 13	W49	H	L 17	D 33	2	4 MXABC
33	MALCOME Freddie L	1317	H	L 23	W40	-	D 32	2	4 MXABCD
34	RUAN Gordon J	1258	L 11	L 25	L 18	W49	W45	2	4 MXABCD
35	STRONG Joshua A	1182	L 21	W48	L 15	W46	L 16	2	4 MXABCDE
36	SCHNEIDER James E	-	L 15	L 27	W48	L 19	W44	2	4 M
37	ZIMMERLE R Wayne	1620	L 3	D 39	W45	L 13	L 20	1.5	3 MXAB
38	GASUNAS Anthony C	1381	L 9	D 40	L 28	L 39	W49	1.5	3 MXABCD
39	BRODERICK John M	1121	L 14	D 37	L 26	W38	-	1.5	3 MXABCDE

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TIME CONTROL: Game/80

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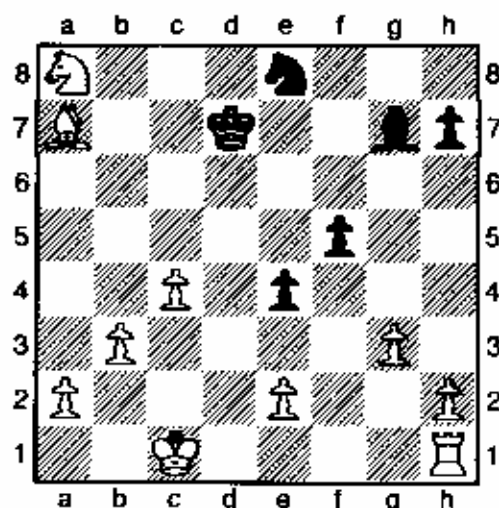
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### HERNANDEZ, H (1916) - SCHMIDT, S (1655) [A80]

Greater Peoria Open (5),

[Hector R. Hernandez]

1. d4 f5 2. Bg5 d6 3. c4 g6 4. Nc3 Bg7 5. g3 Nf6  
6. Bg2 0-0 7. Nh3 e5 8. dxe5 dxe5 9. Qxd8 Rxd8  
10. Nd5 Kf7 11. Nxc7 Be6 12. Nxa8 Nbd7  
13. Bxb7 Nc5 14. Bg2 Rd7 15. Be3 Nce4 16. f3  
Nd6 17. Ng5+ Ke7 18. Nxe6 Kxe6 19. b3 e4 20. 0-0  
Nfe8 21. fxe4 fxe4 22. Bh3+ Nf5 23. Bxf5+  
gxf5 24. Rxd7 Kxd7 25. Bxa7



Black resigns. He is down a rook and 3 pawns,  
that's a huge material deficit. 1-0

### Saturday July 26 ICA OFFICER'S APPRECIATION TOURNAMENT #1.

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\$200 prize fund b/40: 60-40, A,B,C,D/E/U 25.

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Chess Life for further details.

## Elmhurst Chess Club News

By Vince Hart

On January 18-19, the 2003 Elmhurst Classic drew eighty-seven players, exceeding last year's turnout by nine. After some initial confusion caused by the plethora of activities taking place at Elmhurst College that day, registration got started and the first round only experienced minor delays. The Club thanks its members for their patience as well as the courteous behavior that helps ensure that the Club will remain a welcome guest at the College.

Once the tournament got started, there was plenty of exciting chess played in the five round Swiss. IM's Osman Palos and Angelo Young shared top honors in the Open Section with 4.5-.5. At 3.5-1.5, third place was shared by FM Albert Chow, Steve Szpizak, Stefen Klug, Plamen Petkov and our own Dexter Cavitt who has been playing some terrific chess over the last several months.

Two of the top three places in U1800 were taken by visitors from north of the border as Packerbackers Fan Wu and Joseph Richards scored 4.5-.5 and 4-1 respectively with Joseph Babin breaking up the Dairy State's monopoly by tying for second. First place in U1400 went to Marcos Gonzales and Vance Seymour with 4.5-.5. Muhamed Ozananovic and Justin Feng ties for third with 4-1.

On February 23, the ECC managed to reestablish its winning ways against the Chicago Industrial Chess League with an 8-5 victory after the ECC's four-year winning streak was broken with a draw in last year's match. For the sixth annual showdown, it appeared that all the players were in a fighting mood as there were no draws among the thirteen games.

On March 22-23, seventy-seven players turned out for the annual Elmhurst Class Maxi-Tour. Igor Tsyganov took first place in the Master/Expert

Section with a very impressive 3.5-.5 performance. Obviously inspired by his first round win over Dean Arond, Tsyganov went on to beat Aleksandar Starnov, draw Albert Chow and beat IM Osman Palos. Chow took second with 3-1 while Palos and Andrey Gorin shared third with 2.5-1.5.

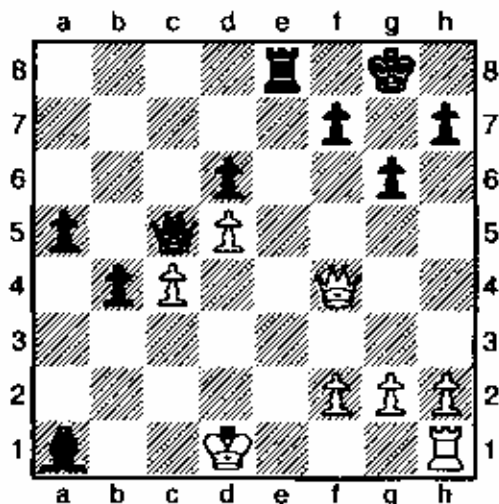
In Class A, Hector Hernandez rolled to 4-0 first place finish with Kevin Potts, Daniel Leung and Dan Modes tying for second with 3-1. In Class B, Richard Easton made good use of the lessons he has been taking from FM Dejan Maksimovic by sweeping to a 4-0 finish that also earned him second place for Class B in the ICA Tour. Second place at 3-1 was shared by Gregory Witek and Mark Engelen who took first place on the Tour. Class C went to Tim Ailes at 3.5-.5 with Charles Lagumbay and Eugene McLure tying for second. In Class D, Aaron ("How-can-you-lose-with-a-name-like") Hart took first place with 4-0 while Paul Hanke took second with 3.5-.5 and Anthony Gasunas claimed third with 3-1.

### LEUNG,D (1887) - HERNANDEZ,H (1933)

Elmhurst Class Championships, A (3).

[Hector R. Hernandez]

1.e4 d6 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.Bd3 c5 5.c3 cxd4 6.cxd4 Nc6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.Nc3 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bb3 b4 What's Black doing with the queen-side pawn moves? (8. ... a6, 9. ... b5, 10. ... b4?) 11.Na4 Rc8 12.Be3 Na5 13.e5 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bb5 15.Qd2 a5 16.exd6 exd6 Why not take with the Queen? 17.d5 Black's King knight has been patiently waiting to come on to the field. The time has come for it to come out, be centralized and assist the bishops in their effort to make life difficult for the White monarch. 17...Nf6 18.Nb6 Ne4 19.Qd1 Bxb2 20.Nxc8 Bc3+ 21.Bd2 Nxd2 22.Nxd2 0-0 Why didn't Black take the Knight on c8? 23.Qf3 Re8+ 24.Kd1 Bxa1 Can White save the game? 25.Nc4 Bxc4 26.bxc4 Qxc8 27.Qf4 Qc5



**(19) Aarond, D – Tsyganov, I [B09]**

Elmhurst class m/x, 22.03.2003

[A. Chow]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 c5 6.Bb5+ Bd7 7.e5 Ng4 The sharpest line in the Austrian attack vs. the Pirc. 8.e6 Bxb5 9.exf7+ Kd7 10.Nxb5 Qa5+ 11.Nc3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Nc6 14.Qd5? [14.Qc4! is better, as white must retain queens in order to exploit black's king in the center.] 14...Qxd5 15.Nxd5 e6 16.h3 Nh6 17.Ne3 Nxf7 18.0-0 d5

Daniel, who had less than a minute left on the clock, is down a bishop and a pawn with reduced material left on the board. He resigned. 0-1

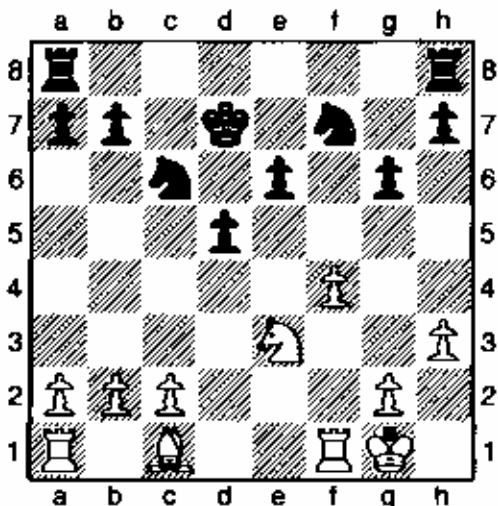
**Hernandez, H (1933) - Hubbard, A (1935)**

**Elmhurst Class Championships, A (4),**

[Hector R. Hernandez]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bf4 c5 4.c3 d5 5.e3 Nc6 6.Nbd2 Bd6 7.Ne5 Qc7 8.Ndf3 Nh5 9.Nxf7 Qxf7 10.Bxd6 cxd4 11.cxd4 Nf6 12.Bb5 Ne4 13.Ba3 Bd7 14.0-0 Qf6 15.Bd3 Ne7 I think Black is looking for a way to castle. White tries to stop him, or at least slow him down. 16.Ne5 Rd8 17.Nxd7 Rxd7 18.Bb5 Nc6 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Qa4 Rc7 21.Rac1 Kd7 22.Rc2 Rb8 Although it looks passive, 22. ... Rhc8 was probably a better way to defend the backward c-pawn. 23.Rfc1 Rb6 24.Bb4 Rc8 25.Qxa7+

Black resigns as he is about to lose a rook and he is already down two pawns, with no compensation. White finished the tournament with a perfect 4-0 score and \$220 first place prize in the "A" Section of the tournament. 1-0



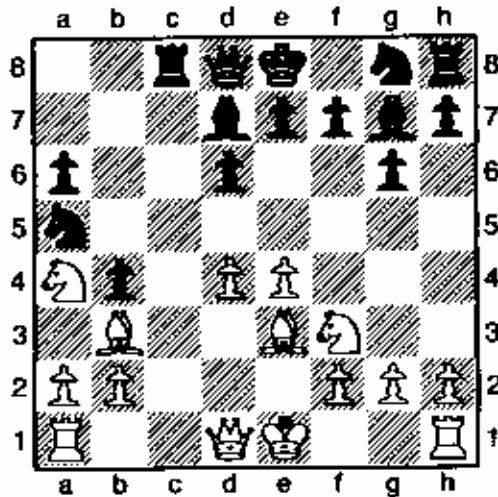
19.c4? d4 20.Rd1 Rad8 21.Nc2 Kc7 22.b3 Rd7 23.Bb2 Rhd8 24.Rd2 g5! 25.Rad1 d3 26.Ne1 gxf4 27.Rxd3 Rxd3 28.Rxd3 Rg8! 29.Nf3 e5 30.Rd5 e4 31.Ne5 f3! 32.Rd7+ Kc8 33.Rxf7 Rxf7+ 34.Kf1 Rxb2 35.Nxc6 bxc6 36.Re7 Re2! 37.Rxa7 Kd8 38.Rf7 Rxa2 39.Rf4 Re2 40.b4 Ke7 41.b5 cxb5 42.cxb5 Kd6 43.b8 Ke5 44.b7 Rb2 45.Rf7 Kd4 46.Rxh7 Ke3 47.Kg1 Rb1+ 48.Kh2 f2 49.Rf7 Rxb7 0-1

**(20) Leung, D – Hernandez, H [B06]**

Elmhurst class m/x, 23.03.2003

[Albert C.]

1.e4 d6 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.Bd3 c5 5.c3 cxd4 6.cxd4 Nc8 7.Bb5? [7.d5! was much stronger.] 7...Bd7 Now white should castle kingside. 8.Nc3 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.Na4 Rc8 12.Be3 Na5 Now would be a good time to castle before it is too late.



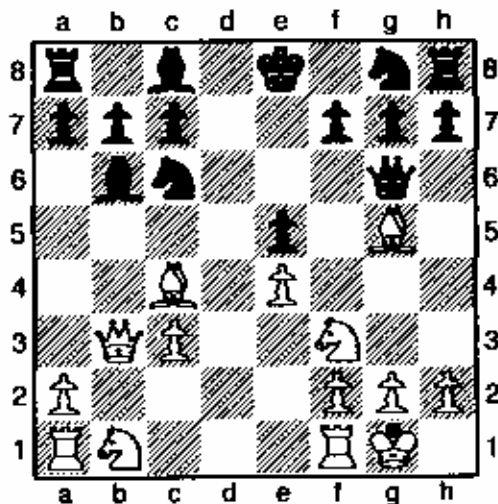
13.e5? Nxb3 14.axb3 Bb5! 15.Qd2 a5 16.exd6 exd6  
17.d5 Nf6 18.Nb6 Ne4! 19.Qd1 Bxb2 20.Nxc8 Bc3+  
21.Bd2 Nxd2 22.Nxd2 0-0! 23.Qf3 Re8+ 24.Kd1  
Bxa1 25.Nc4 Bxc4 26.bxc4 Qxc8 27.Qf4 Qc5 0-1

**(21) Loncarevic,R (2031) – Chow,A (2210)  
[C51]**

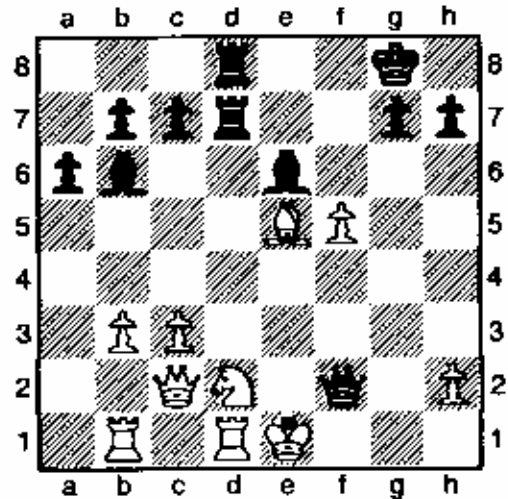
Elmhurst class m/x, 23.03.2003

[FIDE Master Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 The Evan's  
gambit is accepted. 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 Bb6  
8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qb3 [9.Qxd8+ Nxd8 10.Nxe5 Nf6  
Returns the pawn to equalize development.] 9...Qf6  
10.Bg5 Qg6



11.Bb5? [11.Bd5! Nge7 12.Bxe7 Kxe7 13.Bxc6 Qxc6  
14.Nxe5 Qe6 Was better with mutual counterplay.]  
11...f6! 12.Qc4 Nge7! [12...fxg5? 13.Nxe5 is  
dangerous.] 13.Bh4 Qf7 14.Qa4 0-0 15.Nbd2 Be6  
16.Qc2 a6 The gambit has ended in failure. Black has  
both a material and positional advantage and now  
gains the initiative. 17.Ba4 Na5! 18.Nb3 Nc4 19.Nbd2  
Rad8 20.Nxc4 Bxc4 21.Bb3 Nc6 22.Nd2 Be6!  
23.Rab1 Rd7 24.Rfd1 Rfd8 25.Kf1 Na5 26.Ke1 Nxb3  
27.axb3 Qg6 28.Bg3 f5! 29.Bxe5 Qxg2 30.exf5?  
Qxf2#



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1.d4 e6 2.e3 d5 3.f4 Bd6 4.Nf3 Bd7 5.Bd3 Nf6  
6.0-0 Nc6 7.c4 dxc4 8.Bxc4 0-0 9.Nc3 Na5  
10.Bd3 a6 11.a3 Bb5 12.Nxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5  
Nb3 14.Qxb3 c6 15.Bd3 b5 16.Bc2 Nd5  
17.Qd3 b4 18.Qxh7#

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Elmhurst Class

March 22-23, 2003

MASTER/EXPERT SECTION

							score	tour
1	TSYGANOV Igor M	2180	W 11	W 10	D 2	W 3	3.5	15 MX
2	CHOW Albert C	2210	W 12	D 4	D 1	W 6	3	8 M
3	PALOS Osman	2354	D 6	W 9	W 4	L 1	2.5	5 M
4	GORLIN Andrey	2156	W 7	D 2	L 3	W 11	2.5	5 MX
5	YOUNG Angelo	2397	H	H	H	H	2	4 M
6	LONCAREVIC Robert	2031	D 3	D 8	W 10	L 2	2	4 MX
7	LUNG Richard	1898	L 4	D 11	D 8	W 9	2	4 MXA
8	STEVANOVIC Miomir	2010	L 10	D 6	D 7	H	1.5	3 MX
9	MC DONALD Jordan	1809	W 13	L 3	D 11	L 7	1.5	3 MXA
10	STAMNOV Aleksandar	2236	W 8	L 1	L 6	-	1	2 M
11	AROND Dean	1904	L 1	D 7	D 9	L 4	1	2 MXA
12	FLORES Joshua	1752	L 2	W 14	-	-	1	
13	VENUSO Michael A	1643	L 9	-	-	-	0	
14	FRIEDMANN Max	1200	-	L 12	-	-	0	

CLASS A SECTION

							score	tour
1	HERNANDEZ Hector	1916	W 16	W 14	W 3	W 5	4	28 A
2	MODES Daniel R	1924	W 12	L 3	W 14	W 6	3	8 A
3	LEUNG Daniel Y	1887	X	W 2	L 1	W 8	3	8 A
4	POTTS Kevin J	1729	D 5	W 11	D 8	W 10	3	8 AB
5	HUBBARD Andrew D	1928	D 4	W 13	W 7	L 1	2.5	5 A
6	MIDDLETON Douglas	1921	W 9	D 7	X	L 2	2.5	5 A
7	COVIC Mehmed	1811	W 10	D 6	L 5	W 12	2.5	5 A
8	LAZEBNIK Yakov	1843	W 13	H	D 4	L 3	2	4 A
9	DIAMOND William F	1687	L 6	W 15	D 12	D 11	2	4 AB
10	SOLLANO Ely O	1944	L 7	H	W 13	L 4	1.5	3 A
11	MALONEY Michael A	1923	L 14	L 4	W 16	D 9	1.5	3 A
12	SETHI Rishi	1720	L 2	W 16	D 9	L 7	1.5	3 AB
13	NIENART Christopher	1957	L 8	L 5	L 10	W 16	1	2 A
14	STOLTZ Robert M	1700	W 11	L 1	L 2	-	1	2 AB
15	BRONNER Benjamin	1568	-	L 9	-	-	0	
16	SHEKHAWAT Jai	-	L 1	L 12	L 11	L 13	0	

CLASS B SECTION

							score	tour
1	EASTON Richard Dw	1677	W 10	W 8	W 3	W 4	4	28 B
2	WITEK Gregory A	1635	L 8	W 16	W 15	W 10	3	8 B
3	ENGELLEN Mark S	1634	W 11	W 15	L 1	W 5	3	8 B
4	BAUMGARTNER Chrls	1738	D 16	W 9	W 7	L 1	2.5	5 B
5	KANNIAH Suresh	1704	W 6	D 7	W 12	L 3	2.5	5 B
6	RAMOS Fabian	1613	L 5	W 17	D 8	W 14	2.5	5 B
7	KASIURAK Zach	1538	W 9	D 5	L 4	W 12	2.5	5 BC
8	LUNG Jonathan	1477	W 2	L 1	D 6	W 13	2.5	5 BC
9	BARBIN Joseph	1666	L 7	L 4	W 16	W 15	2	4 B
10	BRONNER Benjamin	1568	L 1	B	W 14	L 2	2	4 BC
11	SWINDELL Frankie	1468	L 3	L 13	B	W 16	2	4 BC
12	DUBIN Joshua	1415	B	W 14	L 5	L 7	2	4 BC
13	KASSIN David	1536	L 14	W 11	H	L 8	1.5	3 BC
14	STEVENS Joseph M	1654	W 13	L 12	L 10	L 6	1	2 B
15	HEISER Eric A	1483	W 17	L 3	L 2	L 9	1	2 BC
16	DJORDJEVIC Vladim	1617	D 4	L 2	L 9	L 11	0.5	1 B
17	BLACKMAN William	1649	L 15	L 6	-	-	0	

CLASS C SECTION

							score	tour
1	AILES Tim S	1523	W 13	W 11	D 4	W 3	3.5	15 C
2	MC CLURE Eugene L	1594	L 11	W 12	W 14	W 4	3	8 C
3	LAGUMBAY Charles	1412	W 10	W 5	W 7	L 1	3	8 C
4	ANDERSON Aaron J	1533	W 8	W 6	D 1	L 2	2.5	5 C
5	MORAN Philip D	1519	W 14	L 3	W 9	D 6	2.5	5 C
6	PADILLA Rudy R	1500	W 9	L 4	W 15	D 5	2.5	5 C
7	LEVINE Gary T	1492	D 12	W 15	L 3	W 10	2.5	5 C
8	KLINK Steven L	1436	L 4	L 14	W 12	W 11	2	4 C
9	FRIEDMANN Max	1200	L 6	B	L 5	W 14	2	4 CD
10	MARSHALL Kenneth	1525	L 3	W 13	D 11	L 7	1.5	3 C
11	SMITH Oran B	1445	W 2	L 1	D 10	L 6	1.5	3 C
12	ROSEN Eric S	1189	D 7	L 2	L 8	W 15	1.5	3 CDE
13	WIDING Robert W	1360	L 1	L 10	B	-	1	2 CD
14	JACONETTE Rick L	1348	L 5	W 8	L 2	L 9	1	2 CD
15	ROSEN Ethan	1195	B	D 7	L 6	L 12	1	2 CDE



## STAMNOV REPEATS AS TOUR CHAMPION

by Bill Smythe, ICA Tour statistician

Aleksander Starnov has done it again, winning the 2002-3 Illinois Chess Association Tour by almost 50 points over his nearest rival, Osmand Palco, who finished in second place. Starnov also won the Ex-Urban Tour, reflecting tournaments held outside the Chicago metro area. But since a player is allowed only one Tour prize each year, the Ex-Urban honor went instead to Hector Hernandez. That, in turn, allowed Michael Maloney to capture the A prize, which otherwise would have been won by Hernandez. Other beneficiaries of the one-prize limit were Bill Naff and David Long, who won their classes in the Ex-Urban version because Phil Jarrette also won first Expert. The metro winner in the Expert class was Momir Stevanovic, who had to do it all by himself as nobody in that class "moved up" to Master.

Final standings are given below. The 2002-3 ICA Tour began April 1, 2002 and ran through March 31, 2003.

These standings reflect all 2002-3 Tour events:

April 6, 2002	mini	Illinois Valley Spring Tornado, Oglesby (XU)
April 27, 2002	mini	Peoria Spring Tornado (XU)
April 27-28, 2002	MAXI	Ranko Loncarovic Memorial, River Forest
May 24-27, 2002	MAXI	Chicago Open, Oakbrook
June 14-16, 2002	MAXI	Heartland Semi-Class, Arlington Heights
June 29, 2002	mini	Peoria Summer Tornado (XU)
July 12-14, 2002	MAXI	Master Challenge, Elmhurst
August 17, 2002	mini	Bradley Summer Open, Peoria (XU)
Aug 30 - Sep 2, 2002	MAXI	Illinois Open, Northbrook
September 21-22, 2002	mini	Illinois Valley Fall Maxi-Tour, Oglesby (XU)
October 5, 2002	mini	Rockford Fall Open (XU)
October 12, 2002	mini	Peoria Fall Tornado (XU)
October 18-20, 2002	MAXI	Midwest Class, Oakbrook
November 9, 2002	mini	Normal November Mini-Tour (XU)
Nov 30 - Dec 1, 2002	MAXI	Illinois Class, Palos Heights
January 4-5, 2003	MAXI	Tim Just Winter Open/Reserve, Grayslake
January 11, 2003	mini	Peoria Winter Tornado (XU)
January 18-19, 2003	MAXI	Elmhurst Classic
February 8, 2003	mini	Rockford Winter Open (XU)
March 1-2, 2003	MAXI	Greater Peoria Open (XU)
March 22-23, 2003	MAXI	Elmhurst Class

For players with fewer than three 2002-3 Tour events, the number of events (1 or 2) is shown in parentheses. A player must have played in at least three Tour events during the Tour year (4-1-02 thru 3-31-03) to be eligible for year-end Tour prizes.

NOTE: ICA membership is required for all Illinois residents playing in ICA Tour events. Residents of other states are not required to join ICA if they are members of their home state chess associations. However, Tour points earned by out-of-staters do not count unless they are ICA members.

Scheduled or probable 2003-4 Tour events:

April 26, 2003	mini	Peoria Spring Tornado (XU)
Apr 26-27, 2003	MAXI	Ranko Loncarovic Memorial, Niles
May 3, 2003	mini	Rockford Spring Open (XU)
May 23-26, 2003	MAXI	12th Annual Chicago Open, Oakbrook
June 21, 2003	mini	Illini Summer Open, Urbana (XU)
June 28, 2003	mini	Peoria Summer Tornado (XU)
July 11-13, 2003	MAXI	Master Challenge, Elmhurst
August 10, 2003	mini	Chicagoland Mini-Tour, Niles (tentative)
August 16, 2003	mini	Bradley Summer Open, Peoria (XU)
August 23, 2003	mini	Springfield Championship (XU)
Aug 29 - Sep 1, 2003	MAXI	Illinois Open, Arlington Heights
September 27-28, 2003	MAXI	Forest City Championships, Rockford (XU)
October 4, 2003	mini	Normal October Mini-Tour (XU)
October 10-12, 2003	MAXI	Midwest Class, Oakbrook
November 1, 2003	mini	Peoria Fall Tornado (XU)
December 6-7, 2003	MAXI	Chicagoland Maxi-Tour, Niles (tentative)

More events will be added as the Tour season progresses. Check Chess Life, the Illinois Chess Bulletin, ChessPhone (630-832-5222), and the web ([www.illinoischess.org](http://www.illinoischess.org)) for details.

# ICA Tour

## Master Tour Points:

STAMNOV Aleksandar	133
PALOS Osmand	85
YOUNG Angelo	73
QUAN Zhe	71
LONCAREVIC Robert	69.5
CHOW Albert C	64
GOLDIN Alexander	60
SZPISJAK Steven J	57.5
HERNANDEZ Hector R	54
STEVANOVIC Miomir	54
TSYGANOV Igor M	53
GORLIN Andrey	47
KARAGIANIS Pete D	38.5
NIENART Christopher	35
DUNCAN Jason	32
JARRETTE Phil	31.5
BROCK William	30
AARON Michael E	28
COHEN Lawrence S	28
PEDZICH Dominik	28

## Expert Tour Points:

STEVANOVIC Miomir	80
LONCAREVIC Robert	75.5
GORLIN Andrey	73
HERNANDEZ Hector R	54
KARAGIANIS Pete D	53
TSYGANOV Igor M	52
QUAN Zhe	47
JARRETTE Phil	41.5
DUNCAN Jason	40
NIENART Christopher	40
NAFF William A	38.5
LONG David	38
AARON Michael E	34
COHEN Lawrence S	30.5
BROCK William	30
BAUMGARTNER Christop	29
MALONEY Michael A	29
BENESA Arnulfo	28
COVIC Mehmed	26
RODRIGUEZ Jose A	25
ZINYTCH Miron	25

## Class A Tour Points:

HERNANDEZ Hector R	92
MALONEY Michael A	76
COVIC Mehmed	54
MARKOVIC Arandel	54
KARAGIANIS Pete D	53
LONCAREVIC Robert	49.5
NIENART Christopher	48
RASMUSSEN Robert (2)	47
CAVITT Dexter	44
HUBBARD Andrew D	42
SOLLANO Ely O	42
JARRETTE Phil	41.5
BAUMGARTNER Christop	41
MODES Daniel R	41
LONG David	38
ENGELEN Mark S	34.5
AARON Michael E	34
HART Vincent J	34
LAZEBNIK Yakov	34
MC DONALD Jordan	33
LEALI Michael E	32
FORD Samuel M	30
KORIN Mark	30

## Class B Tour Points:

ENGELEN Mark S	80.5
EASTON Richard Dw	61
BAUMGARTNER Christop	54
WITEK Gregory A	44
DJORDJEVIC Vladimir	43
DIAMOND William F	40
GROEGER Andrew T	40
PADILLA Rudy R	37.5
BRASWELL Isaac M	37
STEVENS Joseph M	36
MC DONALD Jordan	35
SETHI Rishi	35
BRONNER Benjamin	34
EDEUS Daniel W (2)	34
LACEY Patrick M	34
CHEN Byron H	33.5
POTTS Kevin J	31
SCHMIDT Scott	30
DUEKER John T	29
LENG Yize	28
FLORES Joshua	27
LAWRENCE Danyul	27

## Class C Tour Points:

LYON Derek H	53
LEVINE Gary T	46
PADILLA Rudy R	45.5
KREPICH Daniel S	39
ANDERSON Aaron J	37
MORAN Philip D	36
LENG Yize	35
CHEN Byron H	33.5
JACOBSON James	32
LIN Der-Long	32
MC CLURE Eugene L	32
DUBIN Joshua	31
WILHELM John H	31
KASIURAK Zach	30
LIU Howard (2)	30
WIDELKA Adam B	30

## Class D Tour Points:

LIN Der-Long	52
PAUL Gabriel S	44
GASUNAS Anthony C	43
DE LA MORA Salvador	31
HEISER Enc A	31
HART Aaron E (1)	28
LOPEZ Eugene C	28
MILOSEVIC Goran (2)	28
KIM Josh	27
DZANANOVIC Muhamed	26
HANKE Paul D	26
KOLESNIKOV Yurii (2)	25
LANG Trslan J	24
FENG Justin L	23.5
GONZALEZ Marcos A	23.5

## Class E Tour Points:

DZANANOVIC Muhamed	46
DE LA MORA Salvador	40
CONNELLY Patrice (2)	29
LOPEZ Eugene C	28
GONZALEZ Marcos A	24.5
GUNNINGHAM Robert E	22.5
GEROLIMATOS George C	21
ROMAN John Paul	20.5
DZAHANOVIC Muham (1)	20
PHELPS Douglas	20
SILESKY Seth B	20

## Class F Tour Points:

PLUMMER William (1)	32
CONNELLY Patrice (2)	29
DZAHANOVIC Muham (1)	20
SILESKY Seth B	20
KOLESNIKOV Yurii (2)	14
LYONS Alex L (1)	12
VAUGHAN Benjamin	11
BOSKEY Kevin M	10
LAUGER Lloyd	9
PAUL Barry S	9

## Class G Tour Points:

CONNELLY Patrice (2)	29
VAUGHAN Benjamin	11

## Class H Tour Points:

MARTINEZ Amanda (1)	8
MARTINEZ Michell (1)	4

## Class I Tour Points:

MARTINEZ Michell (1)	4
VOSS David J (1)	2

## Class J Tour Points:

KEROLUS Mena (1)	1
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## Ex-Urban Tour

### Master Ex-Urban Points:

STAMNOV Aleksandar	58
HERNANDEZ Hector R	37
JARRETTE Phil	31.5
LONG David	26
LONCAREVIC Robert	25.5
NAFF William A	23
KARAGIANIS Pete D	18.5
LEALI Michael E	17
COHEN Lawrence S	16
STEVANOVIC Miomir	16
COVIC Mehmed	15

### Expert Ex-Urban Points:

JARRETTE Phil	41.5
NAFF William A	38.5
LONG David	38
HERNANDEZ Hector R	37
KARAGIANIS Pete D	30
STEVANOVIC Miomir	28
LONCAREVIC Robert	25.5
BOURGERIE Dennis	22
LEALI Michael E	22
COHEN Lawrence S	18.5
BAUMGARTNER Christop	18
VOSS Andy S	17

### Class A Ex-Urban Points:

JARRETTE Phil	41.5
LONG David	38
HERNANDEZ Hector R	37
KARAGIANIS Pete D	30
BOURGERIE Dennis	22
LEALI Michael E	22
BAUMGARTNER Christop	18
VOSS Andy S	17
ENGELEN Mark S	16.5
REED Boyd M (2)	16.5
FRANEK Martin J	15.5
COVIC Mehmed	15

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## Class B Ex-Urban Points:

BOURGERIE Dennis	22
BAUMGARTNER Christop	18
VOSS Andy S	17
ENGELN Mark S	16.5
FRANEK Martin J	15.5
SCHMIDT Scott (2)	12
ZIMMERLE R Wayne	12
LEALI Matthew A	11.5
PADILLA Rudy R	11.5
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
KOPULA Suryaprak (2)	10
HEALY James D	8
DAVIS Jeffrey E (2)	8.5
HOFFMAN Tim G (2)	8
SUAREZ Ronald J	8

## Class C Ex-Urban Points:

VOSS Andy S	17
LEALI Matthew A	11.5
PADILLA Rudy R	11.5
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
SUAREZ Ronald J	8
MAHMOOD Omar A	7.5
MALCOTE Freddie L	7
STRONG Joshua A	7
O'BRIEN Matthew (2)	6
PAUL Gabriel S (2)	6
RUAN Gordon J (2)	6
CHEN Byron H (2)	5.5

## Class D Ex-Urban Points:

CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
MAHMOOD Omar A	7.5
STRONG Joshua A	7
MALCOTE Freddie L	6
PAUL Gabriel S (2)	6
RUAN Gordon J (2)	6

## Class E Ex-Urban Points:

CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
STRONG Joshua A	7
RUTH James	5

## Class F Ex-Urban Points:

SHERIDAN Stephen (1)	2.5
BROWN John Raymond	2

## Class G Ex-Urban Points:

CANAVAN Dytan (1)	2
VOSS David J (1)	2

## Class H Ex-Urban Points:

VOSS David J (1)	2
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## Class I Ex-Urban Points:

VOSS David J (1)	2
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## Class J Ex-Urban Points:

## ICA Supporters

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Marshall, Kenneth N	Lombard
Martin, Gary J	Park Ridge
Modes, Daniel R	Bensenville
Moore, Clarence J	Villa Park
Mote, David B	Springfield
Rhymer, Cecil	Summit
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Game 10

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1.d4 f5 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bg5 h6 4.Bf4 e6 5.Nbd2 Nf6 6.e3 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.Ne5 Nc6 9.Bb5 Bd7 10.Nxd7 Qxd7  
11.Qf3 0-0 12.0-0-0 a6 13.Be2 b5 14.Kb1 a5 15.Bxb5 a4 16.Bd3 a3 17.b3 Rfc8 18.Be2 Nb4 19.c3 Nc6  
20.Nc4 Qb7 21.Nd6 Bxd6 22.Bxd6 Ne4 23.Bb4 23...Nxb4 24.cxb4 Nc3+ 25.Ka1 Nxd1 26.Rxd1 Rc2 27.Bd3  
Rb2 28.Rb1 Rxb1+ 29.Kxb1 Rc8 30.b5 Qc7 31.Qd1 Qc3 32.Qd2 Qxd2 33.Bc2 Qxc2+ 34.Ka1 Qb2# 0-1

### ICA Club Affiliates

**Organizations wishing to be listed here** should mail an affiliation fee of \$25.00 for one year (check payable to Illinois Chess Association) to the ICA membership secretary, Bill Smythe, 7042 N Greenview Av #1-S, Chicago 60626-2833. Include a short paragraph, similar to those below, listing your club's activities.

**Alternative Group**, Peter Pelts, 7135 Greenleaf Av, Niles 60714. 847-965-6469.

**American Postal Chess Tournaments** sponsors postal events and sells chess books and equipment. Jim or Helen Warren, PO Box 305, Western Springs 60558. 630-663-0688, [apct@aol.com](mailto:apct@aol.com). Organizers of the U.S. Masters.

The **Center Chess Club** meets 3rd Saturday of each month, 7-10 pm, Crystal Lake Park District, One East Crystal Lake Av (intersection of Walkup), Crystal Lake 60014. Also rated tournaments on most of these same dates, 4 rounds, game/60, register by 8:45 am, round 1 at 9 am. Jeff Buchman, 815-455-5288, [buchadoloh@aol.com](mailto:buchadoloh@aol.com).

**Chess Central** sponsors rated tournaments in the Grayslake / Zion area. Tim Just, 37165 Willow, Gurnee 60031. 847-244-7954, [timjust@Lnd.com](mailto:timjust@Lnd.com).

**Chess Utopia** sponsors rated tournaments in the Lake County area. Fridays 6 pm. Frank Swindell, 847-816-0869, [Swinchess@aol.com](mailto:Swinchess@aol.com), [www.ChessUtopia.org](http://www.ChessUtopia.org).

**Chesserton Chess Club** meets at Westchester Public Library, 200 W Indiana, Chesterton IN Joe Alford, [Joe.Alford@Kemper.com](mailto:Joe.Alford@Kemper.com).

**Chicago Industrial Chess League** organizes frequent competition among commercial or government teams with awards, ratings, and special events. Pat Sajbel, 847-391-2134.

**Chicagoland Community Chess Club** (formerly Concordia) meets Tuesdays 6-11 pm, Border's (Cafe Espresso), 7100 Forest Preserve Dr, Norridge. Howard Fried, 773-889-8553, [hfried1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hfried1@sbcglobal.net), or Robert Loncarevic, 773-282-5148, [TLSchgo@speedsite.com](mailto:TLSchgo@speedsite.com).

FIDE Master **Albert Chow** gives private lessons by appointment. 3513 N Seminary, Chicago 60657. 773-248-4848, [ChowMasterAl@yahoo.com](mailto:ChowMasterAl@yahoo.com).

**Continental Chess Association** runs major tournaments nationwide, including the annual World Open in Philadelphia and the Chicago Open in late May each year. PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577. Bill Goichberg, [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Crossroads Chess Club** meets Tuesdays 6 pm, K Square Mall Food court, I-57 / I-70 exit 160, Effingham. Cameron Feltner, 217-844-2645.

**Elmhurst Chess Club** meets, and holds frequent USCF events, Sundays 6:30 to 11 pm, Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net), [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**Emerald Knight Chess Club**, Fountaindale Public Library, 300 W Briarcliff Rd, Bolingbrook. Patrick Flynn, 630-759-7128, [patrickjf@hotmail.com](mailto:patrickjf@hotmail.com).

**Evanston Township High School Chess Club**, 1600 Dodge Av, Evanston 60204. Ken Lewandowski, 847-492-7932.

**Greater Peoria Chess Federation** meets Mondays 7 pm, Lakeview Museum, 1125 W Lake Av, Peoria 61814. Wayne Zimmerle, 514 W Loucks Av #2, Peoria 61604. 309-692-4480 (day), 309-686-0192 (evenings), [wzim@bwsys.net](mailto:wzim@bwsys.net).

**Hammond Chess Club**, Charles Higgins, 116 Crestview St, Crown Point IN 46307. 219-663-8938.

**Happy Squares** offers group and private lessons, sets/books/clocks, as well as rated and unrated tournaments. Open to all ages Tuesdays 6-11 pm. Kids only Fridays 6-11 pm, Saturday afternoons 1-6 pm, and Saturday evenings 6-11 pm. 66 Gordon, Elk Grove Village 60007 (3 blocks east of Arlington Heights Rd off of Higgins). 866-KING-680 (866-548-4680). Les Bale, owner.

**Highland Park High School Chess Team**, 433 Vine Av, Highland Park 60035. Tesc Schultz, [tschultz@d113.lake.k12.il.us](mailto:tschultz@d113.lake.k12.il.us).

**House of Chess** meets Saturdays 4:30 pm, 1st Baptist Church, 146 S Main St, Glen Carbon 62034. Paul Holland, 618-288-4117, <http://members.aol.com/houseofchess>.

**Illini Chess Club** meets Thursdays 7-10 pm, College of Education Building, Room 37, 6th & Pennsylvania), Urbana. [www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess](http://www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess). Jeff Davis.

**Illinois Chess Coaches Association** is open to scholastic chess coaches in Illinois. Mike Zacate, 708-479-9380, [mezacate@aol.com](mailto:mezacate@aol.com).

**Illinois Valley Chess Association** meets Thursdays 7-10 pm, Illinois Valley YMCA, Adult Lounge, 300 Walnut St, Peru 61354. Bill Schulte, 520 First St, LaSalle 61301. 815-223-1505, [bschulte@nivalins.com](mailto:bschulte@nivalins.com).

**Illowa Chess Club** meets Tuesdays 6:30-10 pm, St Ambrose University, Davenport IA. Matt Nemmers, [gcchess@mchsi.com](mailto:gcchess@mchsi.com), [www.quadcitychess.com](http://www.quadcitychess.com).

**Joliet Junior College Chess Club** meets Thursdays 6:30 pm, Joliet Junior College, Building J, cafeteria, 1215 Houbolt Rd (I-80 exit 127), Joliet. Maps [www.jjc.edu/maps/maincampus.html](http://www.jjc.edu/maps/maincampus.html). Tim Owens, c/o JJC-IET, 214 N Ottawa St, Joliet 60432. 815-280-1513, [towens@jjc.edu](mailto:towens@jjc.edu). Or Steve Decman, 1418 Devonshire Dr, Joliet 60435. 815-744-5272, [www.jjc.edu/clubs/chess](http://www.jjc.edu/clubs/chess).

**Lakeview Cuyler Chess Club** meets Wednesdays 7-10 pm, Cuyler Covenant Church, Fellowship Hall, 3901 N Marshfield Av (corner of Byron St), Chicago 60613. Drew Monissee, 1614 W Byron St, Chicago 60613. 312-494-1300 x12, [WindyCityKnight@yahoo.com](mailto:WindyCityKnight@yahoo.com), <http://LakeviewCuylerChess.tripod.com>.

**Mahomet-Seymour High School Chess Club**, Dan Pirtle, 302 W State, Mahomet 61853. 217-586-4962, [dpirt@ms.k12.il.us](mailto:dpirt@ms.k12.il.us).

**Mid-America Chess Association** sponsors the popular website at [www.64.com](http://www.64.com), and brings national tournaments to the Chicago area. [midam@64.com](mailto:midam@64.com).

**Midway Chess Enterprises**, PO Box 388765, Chicago 60638, [whizline@home.com](mailto:whizline@home.com).

**Murphysboro Chess Club**, Murphysboro 62966. <http://mysite.verizon.net/res0bz47/>.

**New Lenox Chess Club**, c/o Vince Berry & Cindy Misiak, 815-463-9975, leave message. [VWBerry@aol.com](mailto:VWBerry@aol.com).

**Park Forest Chess Club** meets Thursdays 7-10 pm, Freedom Hall (next to the library), Lakewood Blvd just west of Orchard, Park Forest. Larry Cohen, 630-834-2477. [www.tuxdomain.com/pfcc\\_club.html](http://www.tuxdomain.com/pfcc_club.html).

**Rudy Lozano Library Chess Club**, 1805 S Loomis, Chicago 60608. Hector Hernandez, 312-746-4329, [hernande@chpublib.org](mailto:hernande@chpublib.org).

**Smythe Dakota Competitions** encourages and offers financial support for Plus-Score Mini-Tours at sites in Chicago and adjoining suburbs. Bill Smythe, [chichess@rcn.com](mailto:chichess@rcn.com).

**St Charles Chess Club** meets Thursdays 7-11 pm, Baker Community House, 101 S 2nd (Rt 31), St Charles. Jeff Wiewel, 1931 Dunhill Ct, Arlington Heights 60004. 847-818-8913, [jwiewel@ntnusa.com](mailto:jwiewel@ntnusa.com).

**The South Suburban Chess Club of Greater Chicago** meets Fridays 7-11 pm, Oak View Recreation Center, 110th & Kilpatrick, Oak Lawn. Joe Bannon, 773-445-0631.

**Springfield Chess Club** meets Wednesdays 6-10 pm, American Legion Post 32, 5th & Capitol, Springfield. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-523-7265.

**SquareHopper, Joshua Flores, Chess Professional**. Available for any chess-related activity at reasonable rates. Specialties are tournament directing/organizing, coaching and teaching. Willing to travel. 630-430-CHES(s) anytime.

**Tuley Park Chess Club** holds frequent Saturday tournaments at Tuley Park Field House, 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, [www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57).

**Twin City Chess Club** meets Tuesdays 7-10 pm, Lincoln Leisure Center, 1206 S Lee St, Bloomington 61701. Dennis Bourgerie, PO Box 157, Normal 61761. 309-454-3842, [schoolstreeter@msn.com](mailto:schoolstreeter@msn.com).

**West Middle School Chess Club**, 1900 N Rocktoon Av, Rockford 61103. Ralph Sullons, 815-966-3220.

**Wicker Park Chess Club** meets Wednesdays 7 pm to 1 am, Myopic Books, 1468 N Milwaukee Av, Chicago. Pat Jones, 773-772-1369, [pjones@artic.edu](mailto:pjones@artic.edu).

**Woodfield Country Chess Club**, Carl Troyer, 723 N Main, Eureka 62530. 309-467-6055.

## Tournament & Events Calendar

All tournaments are USCF-rated, unless otherwise noted (Quick-rated if game/29 or faster) and require USCF membership. ICA Tour events also require ICA membership. Memberships may be purchased at most tournaments. Scholastic events are marked (Scho). Most tournaments prohibit smoking in the playing rooms.

ICA Tour events are generally listed as such in Chess Life and in the Calendar below. Players are responsible for checking both Chess Life and the Illinois Chess Bulletin to determine which events are Tour events. Call ChessPhone (630-832-5222) a few days before any tournament to verify its Tour status, or check the web at [www.illinoischess.org](http://www.illinoischess.org).

Organizers: Please clear your events through the ICA Tournament Calendar. **Calendar coordinator is Bill Smythe**, 7042 N Greenview Av #1-S, Chicago 60626-2833, 773-761-2455, [chichess@ren.com](mailto:chichess@ren.com). **Do not send calendar entries to the ICB editor.** If you are running a Tour event, make sure it is listed as such in both Chess Life and the ICB. Deadlines for ICB calendar submissions are as follows:

Event starting date:	Deadline:	To appear in:
Jan 15 - Mar 14	Nov 5	Jan-Feb issue
Mar 15 - May 14	Jan 5	Mar-Apr issue
May 15 - Jul 14	Mar 5	May-Jun issue
Jul 15 - Sep 14	May 5	Jul-Aug issue
Sep 15 - Nov 14	Jul 5	Sep-Oct issue
Nov 15 - Jan 14	Sep 5	Nov-Dec issue

(Scho) **May 16-18, 2003, Illinois Denker Qualifier.** 5-SS. Rolling Meadows Holiday Inn, Elmhurst. By invitation only for top 16 rated Illinois HS players.

**May 17, 2003, Lakeview-Cuyler Sectional.** 3-SS, game/60, in sections of 6-10 like-rated players. Lakeview Cuyler Chess Club, 3901 N Marshfield (1634 west), Chicago 60613. EF \$20. Prizes by score: Top section 3-0 \$80, 2.5 \$40, 2-1 \$15. Other sections 3-0 \$70, 2.5 \$30, 2-1 \$10. Reg ends 11:30 am, rd 1 at 12. Drew Morisse, [drew@metrochess.com](mailto:drew@metrochess.com).

**May 17, 2003, Normal May Open.** 4-SS, game/80. Fairfield Inn, 202 Landmark Dr, Normal 61761, phone at site 309-454-6600. EF \$17, free to players rated 2020+. \$\$380 b/30: \$3140, u2000 \$80, u1600 \$80, u1200 \$80. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-3-6. Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal 61761. 309-454-3842. [schoolstretter@msn.com](mailto:schoolstretter@msn.com).

**May 18, 2003, Quincy Chess Club May Open.** 4-SS, game/60. Good Samaritan Home, 2130 Harrison, Quincy 62301. EF \$10. \$\$300 b/40: \$100-60, 1600-1999 \$40, 1200-1599 \$40, u1200 \$40, unr \$20. Reg 10-10:50, rds 11-1:15-3:30-5:45. Gary L Blickhan, 3126 N College Av, Quincy 62301. 217-223-8762. [gblickh@adams.net](mailto:gblickh@adams.net).

**May 18, 2003, Elmhurst Game/15.** 5-SS. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$15. ECC members \$10. \$\$ to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400, 85% of EFs returned. Reg 7-7:25 pm, rd 1 at 7:30. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net). [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**May 23-26 or 24-26 or 25-26, 2003, 12th Annual Chicago Open.** 7-SS, 40/120, then SD/60 (3-day option rds 1-2 game/75, 2-day option rds 1-4 game/45). Hyatt Regency Oakbrook, 1909 Spring Rd, Oakbrook 60523, 800-233-1234 or 630-573-1234, hotel rooms \$83-83-83-83, reserve by 5/4. Mailed EF by 3/14: 4-day \$199, 3-day \$198, 2-day \$197. Mailed EF by 5/13: 4-day \$219, 3-day \$218, 2-day \$217. Online EF ([www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com) or [entry.cc](http://entry.cc)): \$195 by 3/14, \$215 by 5/20, \$250 after 5/20 until 2 hours before round 1. Phone EF (845-496-9658): \$205 by 3/14, \$225 by 5/20, no phone entry after 5/20. All EFs \$250 at site, no checks at site. Special EFs: \$30 less to rated juniors under 18 or rated seniors over 65. Re-entry (except Open section) \$100. Unrated section EF 4-day \$49, 3-day \$48, 2-day \$47 mailed by 5/14, all \$45 online by 5/20, \$50 by phone by 5/20, \$60 at site. \$\$G 100,000. Eight sections: **OPEN:** \$10000-5000-2500-1200-800-600-500-500-400-400, clear winner bonus \$300, u2400/unr \$2000-1000-700-500. **UNDER-2200:** \$6000-3000-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-2000:** \$6000-3000-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1800:** \$6000-

3000-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1600:** \$5000-2500-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1400:** \$4000-2000-1000-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1200:** \$2000-1000-700-500-400-400-300-300-300-300, u1000 \$800-400.

Limit \$500 if rated over 1399 anytime since 12/98.

**UNRATED:** \$1000-600-300-200-100, limit \$500 if no U.S. social security ID. **ALL:** See Chess Life for restrictions on provisional players, and on players with only foreign or FIDE ratings. 4-day reg ends Fri 7 pm, rds 8, 12-7, 12-7, 10-4:30. 3-day reg ends Sat 11 am, rds 12-3-7, 12-7, 10-4:30, merge after 2 rds. 2-day reg ends Sun 9 am, rds 10-12-2-4-7, 10-4:30, merge after 4 rds. Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577. [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com). An ICA Tour **MAXI-event**. ICA membership required.

**May 25, 2003, No Elmhurst club meeting or tournament.**

**May 31, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #7 (Tiny).** 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$10, u19 \$5, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 210: \$40-30-25, u1800 \$25, u1550 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1050 \$15, u800 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #8-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, [www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57).

**May 31, 2003, Collinsville May Swiss.** 3-SS, game/90. First Baptist Church, 723 St Louis Rd, Collinsville 62234. EF \$20. Two sections: **OPEN:** \$\$280 b/20: \$100, MX \$80, A \$60, B \$60. **RESERVE** (u1600): \$\$205 b/24: C \$60, D \$60, E/below \$60, unr \$25. Reg 8-8:45 am, rds 9-12:30-3:30. Paul Holland, 204 Sierra Point, Glen Carbon 62034. 618-288-4117. [Paul@paulholland.us](mailto:Paul@paulholland.us).

**June 1, 2003, Elmhurst Game/30 Quad.** 3-RR in 4-player sections. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$17, ECC members \$12. \$\$30-10 in each quad. Reg 7-7:25 pm, rd 1 at 7:30. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net), [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**June 7, 2003, Springfield Summer Open.** 4-SS, game/80. Signature Inn, Dirksen Pkwy & Stevenson Dr (just west of I-55 Stevenson exit), Springfield. EF \$17 by 5/30, \$20 at site. \$\$ 300 b/40: \$100-55, 1600-1999 \$50, 1200-1599 \$40, u1200 \$30, unr \$25. Reg 7:30-8:30 am, rds 9-12-3-6. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, [knoedler.thomas@uis.edu](mailto:knoedler.thomas@uis.edu).

**June 8, [Sunday] ICA MEETING.** Officer's meeting 12-1:15pm, general meeting 1:30-4pm. Tentative location will be the Frick Center at Elmhurst College.

**June 8, 2003, Elmhurst Game/12.** 5-SS Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$15, ECC members \$10. \$\$ to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400, 85% of EFs returned. Reg 7-7:25 pm, rd 1 at 7:30. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net), [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**June 13-15, 2003, National Open.** 6-SS, 40/120, then SD/60 (late schedule rds 1-2 game/60, Unrated and Scholastic sections 6 double rounds, 12 games total, game/90, no late schedule in these two sections). Riviera Hotel & Casino, 2901 Las Vegas Blvd South, Las Vegas NV 89109. Hotel rates \$69 single or double, 800-634-6753 or 702-734-5110, reserve by 5/26 and ask for chess rates. EF (except Unrated & Scholastic) \$95 by 5/26, \$125 by 6/11, \$150 at site. \$30 off advance EF only for juniors under 20 or seniors over 65. Add \$1 for late schedule. Add 50 cents for rd 1 half-point bye. Unrated section EF \$65 by 5/26, \$80 by 6/11, \$100 at site. Scholastic section EF \$49 by 5/26, \$69 by 6/11, \$85 at site. \$\$G 53,000. Nine sections: **CHAMPIONSHIP** (open to all): \$5000-2500-1200-600-300-150-150-150-150, u2500 \$1100, u2400 \$1000, u2300 \$900. 5 points wins at least \$500, 4.5 points at least \$200. **UNDER-2200:** \$2500-1200-600-300-150-75-75-75-75, u2100 \$900. **UNDER-2000:** \$2500-1200-600-300-150-75-75-75-75, u1900 \$900. **UNDER-1800:** \$2500-1200-600-300-150-75-75-75-75, u1700 \$900. **UNDER-1600:** \$2500-1200-600-300-150-75-75-75-75, u1500 \$900. **UNDER-1400:** \$1500-700-350-200-100-50-50-50-50-50, u1300 \$600. **UNDER-1200:** \$1000-500-250-150-100-50-50-50-50-50, u1100 \$400, u1000 \$200. **UNRATED** (for players with no USCF or convertible international rating): \$\$ in USCF gift certificates \$500-250-125-75-50. **SCHOLASTIC UNDER-1200** (for players in grades K-12 rated u1200): Trophies to top 10, and top 5 in each 100-point rating group. **ALL:** 5 points in any section (10 in Unrated) wins at least 10% of first prize. Plus-score bonus: \$25 USCF gift certificate to any player scoring 3.5 or better (6.5 in unrated or scholastic sections). Plus-score prizes awarded at site only. Unrated may

## Calendar

play only in Championship, Unrated, or Scholastic section. Reg Thu (June 12) 6-8 pm, Fri (June 13) 9-10:30 am, rds 12-7, 10-5, 10-5. Late schedule (add \$1 to EF, not available in Unrated or Scholastic section) reg Fri 4-5:30 pm, rds 7-9:30, 12-7, 10-5 (merge after 2 rds). U.S. Chess Federation, 3054 NYS Rt 9W, New Windsor NY 12553, attn: National Open Entries. Credit card entries 9-5 Eastern at 800-388-KING. Info: Alan Losoff, 847-858-7778 evenings, [Alan@Losoff.com](mailto:Alan@Losoff.com), [www.64.com/natlopen/](http://www.64.com/natlopen/). **A USCF National Event.** Also: Simuls Thu (June 12) afternoon, WBCA Blitz Thu evening.

**June 15, 2003, Caveman June Octagons.** 3-SS, game/60, in sections of 8 like-rated players (lowest section may have more or fewer). Holiday Inn Rolling Meadows, 3406 Algonquin Road, Rolling Meadows 60008 (first exit north of Rt 53 & I-90, east on Algonquin, 1 block east of Rt 53). EF \$50 by 6/7, \$60 later. \$\$ b/40 total. Each section \$200-\$100 (lowest section may be higher or lower). Reg 8-8:45 am, rds 9-11:30-2. Kevin Bachler, 2144 Manor Ln, Park Ridge 60068. [kbachler@cavemanchess.com](mailto:kbachler@cavemanchess.com).

**June 15, 2003, Elmhurst Game/20.** 4-SS. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$15, ECC members \$10. \$\$ to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400, 85% of EFs returned. Reg 7-7:25 pm, rd 1 at 7:30. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net), [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**June 21, 2003, Illini Summer Open.** 4-SS, game/80. Holiday Inn, 1001 Killarney St (US 74, Lincoln Av exit), Urbana 61801. EF \$17 by 6/13, \$20 at site. Add \$8 to advance entries for optional catered box lunch. \$450 b/50 total, 7 per class: \$150-90, u2000 \$57, u1800 \$54, u1600 \$51, u1400 \$48. Reg 8-8:45 am for 9 am start, 8-9:45 am for 10 am start with game/50 in rd 1. Rds 9 (or 10) -12-3-6. Christopher Merli, 1806 Jean Lee Ct, Urbana 61802. 217-384-5530, [clmerli@insightbb.com](mailto:clmerli@insightbb.com), [www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess/](http://www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess/). **An ICA Tour/Ex-Urban Tour mini-event.** ICA memb req.  
**June 21, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #8 (Medium).** 6-SS, rds 1-2 game/8, d/3 (game/10 if d/0), rds 3-6 game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$14, u19 \$7, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 300: \$70-45-30, u1900 \$35, u1700 \$30, u1500 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1100 \$15, u900 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, [www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57).

**June 22, 2003, Elmhurst Game/5 Blitz.** Not USCF-rated. RR in 1 or 2 sections depending on entries. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF: \$15, ECC members \$10. 90% of EFs returned as prizes. Reg 7-

7:25 pm, rd 1 at 7:30. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net), [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**June 28, 2003, Peoria Summer Tornado.** 4-SS, game/80. Lakeview Museum, 1125 W Lake Av, Peoria 61614. EF \$14 by 6/26, \$17 at site, free to players rated 2200+. 75% of EFs returned as prizes: 25%-15%; u2000, u1600, u1200 each 10%; upset 5%. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-2:45-5:30. Fred Malcome, 810 W Progress, Metamora 61548. 309-367-4833, [fimalcome@bwsys.net](mailto:fimalcome@bwsys.net). **An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event.** ICA membership required.

**June 29, 2003, Elmhurst Game/29 Quad.** 3-RR in 4-player sections. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$17, ECC members \$12. \$30-10 in each quad. Reg 7-7:25 pm, rd 1 at 7:30. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, [rogerdb9@earthlink.net](mailto:rogerdb9@earthlink.net), [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com).

**July 2-6 or 4-6 or June 30 - July 6 or June 28 - July 6, 2003, 31st Annual World Open.** Philadelphia PA. Eight sections. Online entry [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com). Phone entry 845-496-9658 by 6/25. Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577.

**July 11-13 or 12-13, 2003, Master Challenge.** 5-SS, game/120 (2-day option rds 1-2 game/75). Frick Center, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$55 (\$50 to ECC members, St Charles CC members, and juniors) by 7/7, all \$65 at site. Free to GMs and IMs who enter by 7/7. Re-entry \$30. **One section.** \$4500 b/110 (80% G, top 3 places G): \$800-500-300, Expert \$300-160-120, Class A \$300-160-120, Class B \$300-160-120, Class C \$300-160-120, Class D \$200-130, Classes E/below \$150-100. Clock for biggest upset. 3-day reg Fri 6-6:30 pm, rds 7, 1-6:30, 1-5:30. 2-day reg Sat 11:45-12:30, rds 1-3:30-6:30, 1-5:30 (merge after 2 rds). Checks payable Elmhurst Chess Club. Blair Machaj, 3 N 050 Springvale, West Chicago 60185. 630-231-6245, [ElmhurstChess@aol.com](mailto:ElmhurstChess@aol.com). **An ICA Tour MAXI-event.** ICA membership required.

**July 12, 2003, Bastille Day Quick Open.** Game/10 or game/15, format and site to be determined, Springfield. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, [knoedler.thomas@uis.edu](mailto:knoedler.thomas@uis.edu).

**July 19, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #9 (Bigger).** 6-SS, rds 1-2 game/8, d/3 (game/10 if d/0), rds 3-6 game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$18, u19 \$9, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 435: \$125-80-40, u1900 \$40, u1700 \$35, u1500 \$30, u1300 \$25, u1100 \$25, u900 \$20, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D,



Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979,  
[www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57).

**July 19-20, 2003, Caveman Summer Open.** 5-SS, rds 1-2 game/90, rds 3-5 game/120. Holiday Inn Rolling Meadows, 3406 Algonquin Road, Rolling Meadows 60008 (first exit north of Rt 53 & I-90, east on Algonquin, 1 block east of Rt 53). EF \$70 by 7/11, \$85 later. \$\$3000 b/85: \$600-350-250, Expert \$200-100, A \$200-100, B \$150-75, C \$150-75, D \$150-50, E \$100-50, F \$100-50, G/below \$100-50, unr \$100 Reg 8-9 am, rds 9:30-1-5, 9-1:30. Kevin Bachler, 2144 Manor Ln, Park Ridge 60068.  
[kbachler@cavemarchess.com](mailto:kbachler@cavemarchess.com).

**July 26, 2003, Collinsville July Swiss.** 3-SS, game/90. First Baptist Church, 723 St Louis Rd, Collinsville 62234. EF \$20. Two sections: **OPEN:** \$\$280 b/20: \$100, MX \$60, A \$60, B \$60. **RESERVE** (u1600): \$\$205 b/24: C \$60, D \$60, E/below \$60, unr \$25. Reg 8-8:45 am, rds 9-12:30-3:30. Paul Holland, 204 Sierra Point, Glen Carbon 62034. 618-288-4117.  
[Paul@paulholland.us](mailto:Paul@paulholland.us)

(Scho) **July 28 - August 1, 2003, 3rd Annual USA Chess Chicago-Area Summer Camp.** Not USCF-rated. Science & Arts Academy ([www.thegiftedschool.org](http://www.thegiftedschool.org)), 1825 Miner St, Des Plaines 60016. For boys and girls ages 5-16. Morning (\$209), Afternoon (\$209), and All-Day (\$349) sessions by 6/28, all \$20 more by 7/21, no walk-ins at site. 214-495-8445 or 888-65-CHESS,  
[ChicagoCamp@ChessCamp.com](mailto:ChicagoCamp@ChessCamp.com),  
[www.usachess.com](http://www.usachess.com).

**August 3-15, 2003, U.S. Open.** Los Angeles CA. A USCF National Event.

**August 10, 2003, Chicagoland Mini-Tour.** Niles. Robert Loncarevic, 773-282-5148. An ICA Tour mini-event. ICA membership required.

**August 16, 2003, Bradley Summer Open.** 4-SS, game/80. Garrett Center, 824 N Duryea, Peoria 61625. EF \$14 by 8/14, \$17 at site, free to players rated 2200+. 75% of EFs returned as prizes: 25%-15%; u2000, u1600, u1200 each 10%; upset 5%. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-2:45-5:30. Fred Malcome, 810 W Progress, Metamora 61548. 309-367-4833,  
[fmalcome@bwsys.net](mailto:fmalcome@bwsys.net). An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event. ICA membership required.

**August 16, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #10 (Medium).** 6-SS, rds 1-2 game/8, d/3 (game/10 if d/0), rds 3-6 game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$14, u19 \$7, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 300: \$70-45-30, u1900 \$35, u1700 \$30, u1500 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1100 \$15, u900 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore

Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979,  
[www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57).

**August 23, 2003, Springfield Chess Club Championship Open.** 4-SS, game/80. Signature Inn, Dirksen Pkwy & Stevenson Dr (just west of I-55-Stevenson exit). Springfield. EF \$17 by 8/15, \$20 at site. \$\$ 300 b/40: \$100-55, 1600-1999 \$50, 1200-1599 \$40, u1200 \$30, unr \$25. Reg 7:30-8:30 am, rds 9-12-3-6. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, [knoedler.thomas@uis.edu](mailto:knoedler.thomas@uis.edu). An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event. ICA memb req.  
**August 29 - September 1 or August 30 - September 1, 2003, Illinois Open.** Arlington Heights. An ICA Tour MAXI-event. ICA membership required.

**September 6, 2003, Champaign-Urbana Open.** 4-SS. Holiday Inn, 1001 Killamey St, Urbana 61801. Chris Merli, [clmerli@insightbb.com](mailto:clmerli@insightbb.com).

**September 13, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #11 (Tiny).** 6-SS, rds 1-2 game/8, d/3 (game/10 if d/0), rds 3-6 game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$10, u19 \$5, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 210: \$40-30-25, u1800 \$25, u1550 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1050 \$15, u800 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979,  
[www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57).

**September 13, 2003, Collinsville September Swiss.** 3-SS, game/90. First Baptist Church, 723 St Louis Rd, Collinsville 62234. EF \$20. Two sections: **OPEN:** \$\$280 b/20: \$100, MX \$60, A \$60, B \$60. **RESERVE** (u1600): \$\$205 b/24. C \$60, D \$60, E/below \$60, unr \$25. Reg 8-8:45 am, rds 9-12:30-3:30. Paul Holland, 204 Sierra Point, Glen Carbon 62034. 618-288-4117.  
[Paul@paulholland.us](mailto:Paul@paulholland.us).

**September 14, 2003, Murphysboro Apple Festival.** 3-SS, game/75. Davis-McCann Center, 15 N 14th St, Murphysboro 62966. EF \$20 advance, \$25 at site. \$\$G 400: \$250, u1600 \$100, u1200/unr \$50. Reg 9-9:45, rds 10-1-3:30. Tom Eaton, 2132 Dewey St, Murphysboro 62966. 618-565-1809,  
[tomeaton1999@yahoo.com](mailto:tomeaton1999@yahoo.com),  
<http://mysite.verizon.net/res0bz47/>.

**September 20, 2003, Autumnal Equinox Quick Open.** Springfield. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St. Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, [knoedler.thomas@uis.edu](mailto:knoedler.thomas@uis.edu).

**September 27-28, 2003, The Forest City Championships.** 6-SS, game/75. Sweden House, 4605 E State St, Rockford 61108. Hotel rooms \$57, bus service from O'Hare. EF \$50 (jrs \$40) by 9/27, both \$70 at site. GMs/IMs free. \$\$4800 b/128 adults: \$1000-800, u2000 \$650, u1800 \$650, u1600 \$550, u1400 \$550, u1200 \$300, u1000 \$150, unr \$150. Reg 8:30-9:30 am, rds 10-1-3:30 each day. Please check in; arrivals after 9:30 must take round 1 half-point bye. Checks payable Rockford Chess Assn. Gary Noel Sargent, 2764 Panorama Dr, Rockford 61109. 815-397-9186. [www.rockfordchess.org](http://www.rockfordchess.org). **An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour MAXI-event.** ICA membership req.

**October 4, 2003, Normal October Mini-Tour.** 4-SS, game/80. Fairfield Inn, 202 Landmark Dr, Normal 61761, phone at site 309-454-6600. EF \$17, free to players rated 2020+. \$\$405 b/30: \$\$150, u2000 \$85, u1600 \$85, u1200 \$85. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-3-6. Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal 61761. 309-454-3842. [Schoolstreeter@msn.com](mailto:Schoolstreeter@msn.com). **An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event.** ICA membership req.

**October 4, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #12** Chicago.

**October 10-12 or 11-12, 2003, 12th Annual Midwest Class.** Oak Brook. Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577. [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com). **An ICA Tour MAXI-event.** ICA membership required.

**October 11, 2003, David Braunfeld's Birthday Open.** Springfield.

**October 25, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #13** Chicago.

**November 1, 2003, Peoria Fall Tornado.** 4-SS, game/80. Lakeview Museum, 1125 W Lake Av, Peoria 61614. EF \$14 by 10/30, \$17 at site, free to players rated 2200+. 75% of EFs returned as prizes: 25%-15%; u2000, u1600, u1200 each 10%; upset 5%. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-2:45-5:30. Fred Malcome, 810 W Progress, Metamora 61548. 309-367-4833, [flmalcome@bwsys.net](mailto:flmalcome@bwsys.net). **An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event.** ICA membership required.

***Saturday July 26  
ICA OFFICER'S  
APPRECIATION  
TOURNAMENT#1.***

**4-SS. T/L: G/35.  
MINI-TOUR  
EVENT.**

**\$200 prize fund  
b/40: 60-40,  
A,B,C,D/E/U 25.  
Entry Fee: \$12,  
Jr (U18) \$10 if rcvd  
by 7/18; all \$15 at  
site.**

**ICA membership  
required. Site TBA:  
See Chess Life for  
further details.**

The Illini Chess Foundation presents their first tournament

## Illini Summer Open Mini-Tour and Ex-Urban Event JUNE 21

**Fantastic location:** just off highway 74 at the Lincoln Avenue exit. Holiday Inn, 1001 Killarney St., Urbana, IL

\$225 Guaranteed, \$450 Prize fund b/50 with 7 per class \$150-90; U2000 \$57; U1800 \$54; U1600 \$51; U1400 \$48

The entry fee is a low **\$17 if received by 6/16**, \$20 at the site. ICA membership required at \$18 adults, \$10 juniors.

There is no need to go searching for meals, add \$8 to early entries for optional catered box lunch with choice of meal type.

Two start times: 9:00 am for the early risers, and 10:00 am for the night owls. Registration starts at 8 am and ends promptly at 8:45 am for the early schedule. Night owl registration ends at 9:45 am. A ½ point bye is available in round 1 only.

4 round Swiss system **14 tour points per class possible**  
Time control game/80 (night owls first round only game/50)  
Remaining rounds start at noon, 3 and 6.

### Beginner (under 1200) and Unrated Section

No memberships required. The schedule is the same but the entry fee is only \$10 at the site or in advance.

Top 4 receive USCF youth membership or \$25 off adult membership (b/20 in section).  
When requested games will be rated.

Ent/Info: Dr. Christopher Merli, 1806 Jean Lee Ct., Urbana, IL 61802, (217) 384-5530.  
[clmerli@insightbb.com](mailto:clmerli@insightbb.com) or go to [www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess/](http://www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess/)



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# SCHOLASTIC CHESS TOURNAMENT

June 8, 2003

**Clubs are welcome**

Sponsored by Shalom Sunday School  
At Bernard Horwich JCC, 3003 W. Touhy Ave. Chicago, IL and  
newspaper "Reklama"

**High and Junior** Division plays 4 Round Swiss – Time Control G/40  
**Elementary** Division plays 5 Round Swiss – Time Control G/30  
**Primary** Division plays 5 Round Swiss – Time Control G/30  
Any number of players from a school may enter; the top four individuals form a team.

Please plan to arrive before 8:30 A.M. to verify entries.

We will accept registrations after 8:30a.m. However, any player not in line to register by 8:30 will have to take a ½ point bye for round 1.

**FIRST ROUND IN ALL DIVISIONS BEGINS AT 9:00 A.M.**

**The entry fee:**

\$15 per player if received by 05/15/03

\$20 per player if received by 05/27/03

\$30 per player at the door

**Team registrations are accepted until June 5th**

USCF membership will be required (membership available on site).

The field is limited to 200 players.

Make checks payable to: Shalom Sunday, JCC

Send checks with your information (name, grade, rating, and phone number) to Shalom Sunday 5050 W. Church, Skokie, IL 60077

Prizes will include three team trophies, ten individual trophies per division, and three trophies per grade. Other prizes will be distributed as well.

You may obtain further information by calling these numbers:

(847) 763-3624 or (847) 966-5048

Fax: (847) 966-5671 or E-mail: [STFink@aol.com](mailto:STFink@aol.com)

Free parking is available. Food will be available for purchase 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**JCC is a partner in serving our community, receiving support from the Jewish Federation/Jewish United Fund.**



## KINGS & QUEENS

### Chess Club

Sponsored by Shalom Sunday School, JCC

## SUMMER SCHOLASTIC CHESS CAMP/WORKSHOP

August 11– 15, 2003 – 1 week, \$250

August 18 – 22, 2003 – 1 week, \$250

or August 11 – 22, 2003 – 2 weeks, \$450

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Grades K – 12

BH JCC, 3003 W. Touhy, Chicago

with

International Master  
**ALBERT KAPENGUT**

Champion New Jersey 2001

Theoretical Adviser to World Champions

M. Tal and A. Karpov

and re-known author of many chess publications

Five days of intensive training under supervision of experienced chess coaches with high rating in Europe and America: International Arbiter and Master Tamara Golovey, International Arbiter Leonid Bondar, Master Teacher Mila Finkelshtein  
Initial chess diagnostics and recommendations for your chess development  
Simultaneous exhibitions and lessons for different levels by Masters  
Tournament practice games with analysis  
Sport activities and fun

**We guarantee an increase in your rating & improvement of your chess skills**

The camp/workshop fees (kosher lunch is included):

\$250 per participant for each 1 week session - 5 days paid before August 1<sup>st</sup>\*

\$450 per participant for 2 week session – 10 days, paid before August 1<sup>st</sup>

\$25 family discount if more than 1 child enrolled in the same session

\$60 per participant for any single day

\*Early paid registrations will be entered into a raffle for a prize.

Camp hours: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Extended day program is available between 3:00 – 6:00 pm.

Please add \$50 per child for each one-week session for extended hours.

Space is limited to insure effective instruction. Advanced registration is highly recommended. Make checks payable to: Shalom Sunday, JCC

Send checks with registration form to: Shalom Sunday, 5050 W. Church, room 230, Skokie, IL 60077

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Free Parking. Kosher lunch will be served 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. or bring your own DAIRY lunch.

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# Chess Instruction

**Joe Splinter - Expert Rating -- 2113**

**1998 Colias Teaching in Excellence Award**

**17 Years Chess Teaching Experience**

• Scholastic and Adult • One-on-one and Groups

**ICA - Warren Junior Program - 6 Years**

Seminars at schools, or individuals in national top 50 by age category

**Coach - Benjamin JH - 12th Year Four (4) Junior High IL State Championships!**

**Coach - West Chicago H.S. - 6th Year, Poplar Creek Library - Chess - 5 Years**

Private lessons are normally held in my home (evenings/weekends).

1944 St. Clair Lane, Hanover Park (Near Army Trail & County Farm, 2 miles west of Stratford Square Mall)

*For groups, I will travel to your school or other locations.*

## Instructional Materials

**Bookup** (computer opening database) *Disks and viewer to students.*

**ChessBase8** (computer game database/analysis), **Chess Mentor** (computer exercises)

**Books** for loan to students - 200+, **Videos** for loan to students - 30+

Typed Instructional **Handouts** (to keep) - 80+

If you are interested in lessons or have questions give me a call at **630-213-9523** (evenings/weekends). Lessons are normally weekly for 1 to 2 hours.

## Nick Jones- Johnny

### IL State Scholastic Championship

#### Comments by ICB Editor

1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.f4 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Bd3 0-0 6.0-0 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nc6 9.c4 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Na5 I think I would have just backed it up to Be3 but the knight comes in handy later...11.Nd2 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Nd5 13.a3 This is a very good move deny your enemy of good squares.13...c6 14.Rd1 b5 15.Ne5 b4 16.Nxc6 game winning move good eye 16...Qb6 17.Qxd5 gobble gobble why not 17...bxa3 18.Rxa3 Rfc8 19.Nxe7+ nice fork, nail in the coffin 19...Kh8 20.Nxc8 Rxc8 21.Qxf7 Rf8 22.Qb3 perfect! ahead in material trade down 22...Qd8 23.Rxa7 Qc8 24.Qb7 very good move forces the issue 24...Rg8 25.Qa8 This was the weakest move of your game it loses a rook you have a won game but you should just taken off the queen because of QxQ,RxQ,RxR wins a rook. 25...Qxa8 26.Rxa8 Rf8?? he was kind, because he had a free rook 27.Rxf8+ Bxf8 28.d5 h5 29.d6 Bxd6 30.Rxd6 g5 31.fxg5 Kh7 32.h4 Kg7 33.b4 Kf7 34.b5 Ke7 35.Ba3 Kf7 36.b6 Ke7 37.b7 Kf7 38.b8Q Ke7 39.Qc7+ Ke8 40.Rd8# Nick good strong game, solid moves. 1-0

# Schaumburg Scholastic Chess Camp

## Grades K - 12

June 16 - June 20, 2003 -- 8:30 to 4:30 each day

At St. Peter Lutheran School- 208 East Schaumburg Rd, Schaumburg, IL

- Student/teacher ratio of 10:1
- Tournament - 5 rated games & analysis
- Simultaneous exhibitions
- Sports activities and computer lab
- Lunches included !
- Classes for beginners to masters
- Blitz and Bughouse tournaments
- Written evaluation by instructor
- Camp t-shirt, folder, and all materials
- Pizza party, trophies, and certificates

**Cost for week is \$250. Registration limited to 50 Participants**  
**Our Excellent Instructional Staff**

**Ilya Korzhenevich** -- Senior Master -- Rating 2350

Ilya is the 1993 Junior Russian Champion. He has years of chess teaching experience in Moscow and here in the Chicago-land area. He also performs blindfold exhibitions.

**Steve Szpisjak** -- USCF Master -- Rating 2233

Steve won 3 consecutive IHSA Class A Chess titles. After Naval Service, he achieved his Master title in 1989 and has been teaching chess continuously since 1996. Chess Coach at Glenbrook South High School (finished 4<sup>th</sup> in State in 2002!)

**Blair Machaj** -- USCF Master -- Rating 2258

Blair's been a member of 5 championship teams throughout Elementary, Junior High, and High School. His chess teaching experience includes over 10 years of individual and school instruction. He is also a USCF Senior Tournament Director

**Joe Splinter** -- USCF Expert -- Rating 2113

Joe has 17 years of scholastic chess teaching experience, including individuals, schools, libraries, and park districts. His JH team has won 4 state championships. In 1998, he received the Colias Teaching in Excellence Award.

## Registration

To sign up for the Schaumburg Scholastic Chess Camp 2003, fill out the form below and **send with a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit. The balance of \$200 will be due by June 2nd.** Please make checks payable to: **St. Peter Lutheran School.**

*Send money and registration form to:*

*No refunds after the camp begins.*

**Chrissy Tighe, 485 Audubon Street, Hoffman Estates, IL 60194.**

Registration will be accepted up to **May 23** or until the capacity has been reached.

*For further information or questions call Chrissy Tighe at 847-882-4497*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

USCF rating \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (optional) for registration confirm \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (circle one)    small    medium    large    x-large

Elmhurst Chess Club & St. Charles Chess Club present

# *Master Challenge*

**July 11-12-13 or 12-13**

5-round Swiss. Frick Center, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst, IL. G/120 (2 day option rds. 1 & 2 G/75). EF: \$55, \$50 Elmhurst CC & St. Charles CC members & juniors if postmarked by 6/18. \$65 on site for everyone. Free to GMs & IMs who enter by 7/7. 1/2 pt. bye any rd. w/reg.

**3 day schedule:** Reg. Fri. 6-6:30 pm, rds. Fri. 7, Sat. 1 & 6:30, Sun. 1 & 5:30.

**2 day schedule:** Reg. Sat. 11:45-12:30 pm, rds. Sat. 1, 3:30 & 6:30, Sun. 1 & 5:30.

ICA membership required \$18, juniors \$10. **An ICA Tour maxi-event.**

**Prize fund \$4500**

**More details inside front cover!**



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