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## *2006 Illinois Open Championship*

### *Sept. 2-4, 2006. 2006 Illinois Open Championships*

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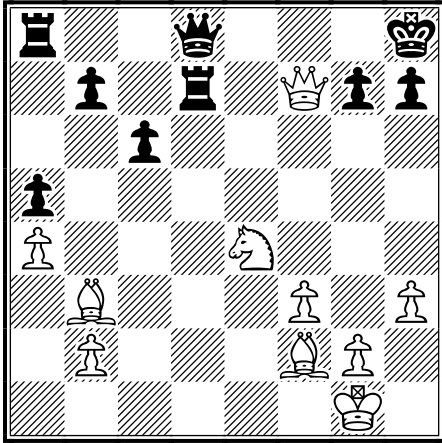
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## President's Podium

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Bill Brock

Chess is hard! Two recent games reminded me of this. The first was played at an amazingly good site donated by our good friends at State Farm (ideal for future state championships, hint hint):

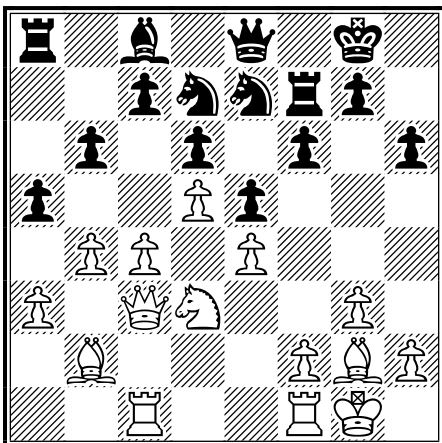


**Brock-Wijetunge, Bloomington 2005**

*White to play*

Both sides had about 45 seconds plus delay left. I played the showy 28. Ng5?! Can you find the reply that keeps Black in the game? (I saw it immediately after I moved.) And if Black had found the critical move, what response would YOU have made with 45 seconds left on the clock? (There are several playable moves, but I didn't see any of them.)

The very next day, I was puzzled at the Renaissance Knights:



**Brock-Macenis, Northbrook 2006**

*White to play*

Doesn't it seem that White, with a space advantage and a future that might belong to the two Bishops, should be better? Also, the time control was G/30 and I was ten minutes ahead on the clock. Fritz likes **19. f4 exf4 20. gxf4 Ng6**, which is indeed what we played in the game. I then played **21. Rce1** (Fritz's 21. Qe1! is better because it denies h4 to the enemy Knight and swings the queen over to shore up the weakened Kingside); Black began a very nice reorganization with **21...axb4 22. axb4 Re7!**

Objectively, White may still be better here, but Black now has a clear plan (attack White's newly-ventilated king). **Audrius Macenis** eventually sacked an Exchange on e4 (all such sacs are sound – rooks are overrated), mated me with one second left on his clock, then discreetly pumped his fist. (The weekend after our game, he tied for first in the **US Game/30 championship** in Joliet and took clear first in the **US Game/15** – congratulations to Audrius!)

Back to our second diagram: humans can't calculate as many variations as Fritz. One pragmatic plan would be for White to leave his Kingside intact (not a bad idea in quick chess) and play for the c5 break. Should White shuffle the pieces around before playing c5? If so, where do White's pieces belong? You tell me...

Whether you're a beginner or a Grandmaster (or a life-time patzer like me), you're invited to post your games and your questions on the ICA forum: [www.ilchess.org](http://www.ilchess.org) and click on "Forums". It's there for you to use!

Look for the second Web edition of the **Illinois Chess Bulletin**, edited by **NM Pete Karagianis**, available at [www.ilchess.org/eICB/e.htm](http://www.ilchess.org/eICB/e.htm) on September 1st. Don't live online? You'll get a mailer from us to let you know of upcoming events... The next *print* edition of the **ICB** will be **November-December 2006**. As always, we'd appreciate your feedback on the **ICB** and the **e-ICB**.

For five years, **Colley Kitson** has served as editor of the **Illinois Chess Bulletin**; he's informed us that while he will continue to play an active role in the ICA, this will be his last issue. I have appreciated five years of on-time issues without burnout or whining, something I never could have managed. (The magazine you hold in your hands was finished long ago but held up at my personal request because the details of important events had not yet been finalized. How long? France 1, Brazil 0!) We need more volunteers with Colley's dedication, dependability, and love of the game – thank you, Colley!

Thanks to super-organizer **Mikhail Korenman**, we have a great new location for the **2006 Illinois Open** to be held on **Labor Day weekend, September 2-4**: the **Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott** on **645 W. North Ave.** in **Lombard**. The site is a stone's throw from four

interstates: I-355, I-88, I-294, and I-290, and the room rate is an affordable **\$69/night!** The prize fund of this FIDE-rated event is \$11,000 based on 180 paid entries, of which ICA is guaranteeing \$7,000. **Tim Just, Wayne Clark, and Glenn Panner** will be running the championships in their typical professional manner. We thank our Treasurer, **Carl Dolson**, for a generous pledge that made it possible for us to offer Under-2400 Class prizes.

We had four Grandmasters at last year's championships; we'd like to have more this year, and we'd appreciate your financial support (personal or corporate – for promotional possibilities, please contact Mikhail at [mkorenman@yahoo.com](mailto:mkorenman@yahoo.com)) to help make this possible. **Look for a mailing from Mikhail in your mailbox very soon** – we need your help!

At the same site, we've got a great new scholastic event on **Saturday, September 2**, the first day of Labor Day Weekend, the **ICA Scholastic Kickoff**, also in **Lombard**. The entry fee (\$29 in advance) **includes ICA membership!** It's a fun opportunity for young players to compete against each other before the school year begins, perhaps win a trophy, and to mingle with the masters.

Yet another event is being held the evening of **Saturday, September 2**, the **Illinois Quick Chess Championship** with a \$1,000 prize fund! First prize is \$300 guaranteed, the remaining \$700 in prizes are based on 40 entries.

And still more events (a scholastic blitz tournament and – horrors – a bughouse tournament, possible a banquet on Sunday night) are in the works. Again, please check [www.ilchess.org](http://www.ilchess.org) or open your mailbox!

Speaking of the **Illinois Open**, are you a time control purist reluctant to play in a 30 moves in 90 minutes, sudden death in one hour, event? I was, too, until I played in the HB Global – I actually prefer this time control for serious play! There is a bit less time for deep opening or endgame play, but there's actually more time available for a middlegame crisis after move 30 – a very common event. And for most of us, 12 hours of serious play for three consecutive days is simply unsustainable; 10 hours is more doable. (Someone might say, "I've played 12 hours every other year! Someone else might reply, "I've seen your games – ewww.")

Here's my litmus test for a serious state championship: would **FM Andrew Karklins**, as dedicated to "total chess" as anyone I know, play in it? I admit that for one game per day, 40/2, SD/1 remains the time control of choice. But for a three-day tournament with two tough games per day, I would not hesitate to recommend

30/90, SD/1 to Mr. Karklins. (But I will not ask him to play in the bughouse event.)

As you almost certainly know by now, the U.S. Open has returned to metropolitan Chicago! If you can't play the full nine-round schedule at the **Doubletree Oak Brook** on **August 5-13**, please consider playing in either the six-day or the five-day schedule.

Thanks to the generous contribution of ICA members (**Larry Cohen** and **Vince Hart**, if memory serves), the 2006 U.S. Open will be an ICA Tour event! If you'd like to have a chance to win your share of the \$1,500 in Tour prizes, be sure to renew your membership at the U.S. Open! (As with any USCF National Event, state memberships aren't required, but you can't win Tour points without being a member!)

If you'd like to help the ICA be a gracious host to our out-of-town guests, there are several opportunities to volunteer. Drop by the ICA forum and let us know how you can help!

Big news: **Sevan Muradian** is in the process of organizing a one-day girls' event **Tuesday, August 8**, hosted by the former **Women's World Champion, Grandmaster Susan Polgar!** The entry fee is only \$20, and includes a lecture by Susan, three games in the afternoon, and presentation of the trophies by Susan. The fee for the lecture alone is \$10. The proceeds from this event will go to the ICA and the USCF; our share of the proceeds is earmarked to support the **2007 Illinois Chess Association Girls' Championship and Polgar Qualifier**. We thank Susan and the **Susan Polgar Foundation** for this generous contribution.

Do you want to **make money teaching children how to play chess and organizing youth events?** Bless you: when people are doing society a favor and making a little money at the same time, they are doing something right. The Illinois Chess Association applauds for-profit organizers and is always happy to cooperate with them (and of course the volunteers who are the core of our organization) to the fullest extent possible.

However, the ICA is a **nonprofit** organization: it does not see any of its members (young or old) as walking dollar signs. (Well, maybe a few...) Yes, we'd like to see positive cash flow from our events, but only because we can use this cash flow to fund future events and program services.

We want to do what's right for chess in Illinois. Really. We need your help to do so. Really.

Our friend **Pete Karagianis** takes over the **print ICB** next issue (November-December 2006). Please start working on your articles now – Pete needs quality material! See you on the forum!

## *Fair Winds and Following Seas*



To: The ICA Board & Illinois Chess Players

From: Colley Kitson ICB Editor

I have humbly offered my resignation to the ICA Board. This will be my last issue.

I am starting a new part - time job on top of my full time State Farm job, which will afford me lots of overtime. I really don't think it would be fair to my family or the ICA Members, for me to attempt to continue my responsibilities with the ICB.

This issue has completed a 5-year span as the ICB Editor. I have edited 29 ICB print issues. And to borrow words of the colorful character, August's McRae, I can only say *"I God Woodrow, it's been a party."* (Lonesome Dove)

I would like to thank all the people who helped me with the editor's position and several by name. First, I would like to thank Kevin Bachler former ICA Pres. for hiring me. Also thanks to Bill Brock and all the current board members for their great leadership. Rachel Kitson my wife who proofed every issue I worked on. Dennis Bourgerie for submitting so many great articles and for reviewing several issues of the ICB. Finally I would also like to thank the late SM Richard Verber for encouraging me to take the Editor's position with all its pro's and con's.

I will still be very active in Illinois chess: directing, playing, teaching, outreaching, and maybe writing an article here or there. My goal is to get a full time job working in the chess world some day.

The next issue of the ICB an electronic version it will give the ICA Board several months to find a replacement.

I will submit a Data Disc of all five years of ICB Final Copies & ICB Games to the next editor and the current board.

I look forward to being an ICA citizen and helping on the ICA website as a volunteer.

***"May the Force be with you"***

Respectfully

Colley Kitson, ICB Editor 2001-2006  
Soon to be FIDE Trainer PMP, ATM-G, CL

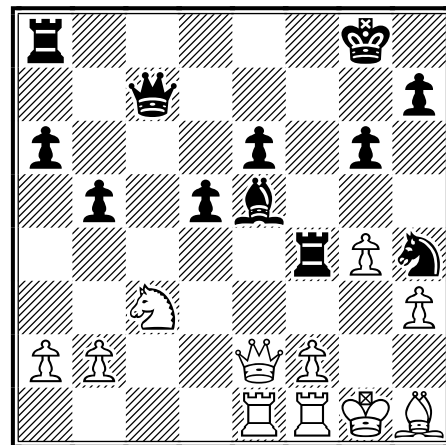
Two Games just for the heck of it. All my games are less than 5 minutes games. I have played over 4500 games on US Chess Live and only won about 40% of them. I am hopelessly addicted to chess; I love this game and feel most alive about move 6 in a 3-minute rated game till the end. Therapy and medication are not helping. They say do what makes you bliss.

One with Black. This is for Richard Thanks for teaching me the 1-g6 opening for black.

### **US Chess Live Player TriniGer (1826) - Colley Kitson (1743)**

GCS GCS, 25.04.2006

1.c4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c6 4.e4 d6 5.Be3 a6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 e6 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Bxf3 Ne7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Rb1 d5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.e5 Nbc6 14.Bg5 Qb6 15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.Na4 Qa7 17.Nc5 b6 18.Nd3 Nf5 19.Nf4 b5 20.Ne2 f6 21.g4 Nh4 22.Bh1 fxe5 23.dxe5 Bxe5 24.Nc3 Rf4 25.Qe2 Qc7 26.Rbe1 Diagram



**26...Re4 27.Nxe4 Bh2# 0-1**

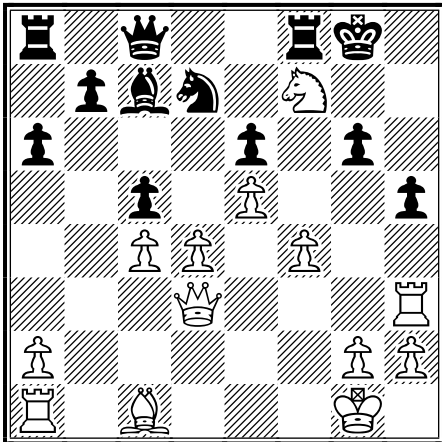


Now with White

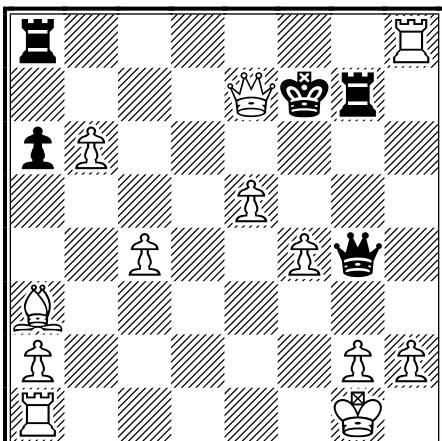
**Colley Kitson (1741) – Chess Live Player  
puksbatil (1866)**

GCS GCS, 10.05.2006

1.d4 d5 2.e3 c6 3.f4 Bf5 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bd3 Bxd3  
6.cxd3 e6 7.0-0 Bd6 8.Nc3 a6 9.e4 dxe4 10.dxe4  
Bc7 11.e5 Nd5 12.Qb3 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Qc8 14.c4 0-0  
15.Qd3 Nd7 16.Ng5 g6 17.Rf3 c5 18.Rh3 h5 19.Nxf7  
Diagram



19...Rxf7 20.Qxg6+ Rg7 21.Qxe6+ Kf8 22.Rxh5 Nf6  
23.Rh8+ Ng8 24.Qf6+ Rf7 25.Qh6+ Rg7 26.Ba3 b6  
27.dxc5 Qg4 28.cxb6+ Ke8 29.Qc6+ Kf7 30.Qxc7+  
Ne7 31.Qxe7+ Diagram

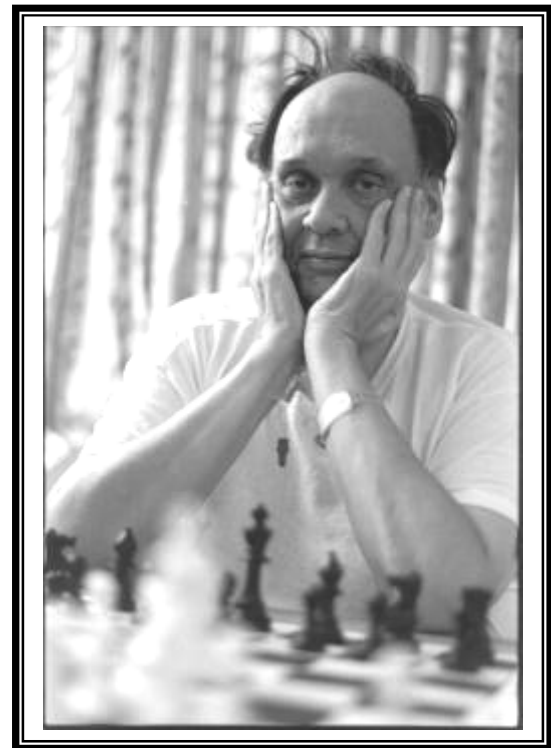


31...Kg6 32.Qf6# 1-0

*On my Watch*



*Street Chess Decatur Celebration 2005*



*Remembering Richard Verber  
July August 2002*

*Thanks*

*Colley Kitson ICB Editor 2001-2006*

*"Conformity is the jailer of freedom and the enemy of growth."  
John F. Kennedy*

*"Chess is a sea in which a gnat may drink and an elephant may bathe." -  
Indian Proverb*

# Chessdad64's Guide to the Blogosphere

By Brad Rosen

Blogs, also known as weblogs, are web-based diaries where the writer (also known as the Blogger) records events, opinions and personal impressions about pretty much anything under the sun. Increasingly, Chessblogs, a subspecies in their own right, have emerged to focus on various aspects of the game, as well as chess culture and community. Some of the top chess sites and blogs found in cyberspace are discussed below. This list is not intended to be exhaustive or the final word. If you know of a good Chessblog not mentioned here, send me a note at [chessdad64@hotmail.com](mailto:chessdad64@hotmail.com).

At the conclusion of this article, David Glickman, Blogmaster of the renowned Boylston Chess Club blog (<http://boylston-chess-club.blogspot.com/>) and one of the foremost chess blogging authorities on the planet, identifies the top current trends in the chess blogosphere.

Mainstays and Essential Reading Not all of the following are blogs, but these are the mainstays for chess information on the internet:

- **Daily Dirt** (<http://www.chessninja.com/dailydirt/>) The blog companion to Mig Greengard's highly acclaimed Chess Ninja website, one of the longest running and highest quality chess offerings on the net.
- **Chess Café** (<http://www.chesscafe.com/>) A treasure trove of articles on a wide range of chess topics by some of the best chess writers out there. This site goes back about 10 years and its rich and deep archives are fully available online. For those interested in the youth chess scene, Steve Goldberg writes a high quality monthly column on the site simply entitled "Scholastic Chess" (<http://www.chesscafe.com/scholastic/scholastic.htm>).
- **Chessbase** (<http://www.chessbase.com/>) A top site for world chess news on a daily basis.

- **Susan Polgar Blog** (<http://www.susanpolgar.blogspot.com/>) Susan may just be the hardest working person in the world of chess. She is a world-class player, top-notch instructor, prolific chess writer, tireless organizer, and a dedicated chessmom to boot. This blog is updated frequently with a wide variety of chess-related content.
- **The Week in Chess** (<http://www.chesscenter.com/twic/twic.html>) This UK based site is essential reading for its weekly update of the latest and greatest master games played if nothing else. The news updates are sometimes bloggy in tone.
- **Open Chess Diary** (<http://www.xs4all.nl/~timkr/chess2/diary.htm>) The blog portion of Tim Krabbe's Chess Curiosities web site. Rich with chess content and history.

### Top Independent Blogs and other Resource of Note

- **The Chess Mind** (<http://chessmind.powerblogs.com/>) A worthwhile excursion. Chess enthusiast Dennis Monokroussos introduces this high quality offering by saying "this is a blog for chess fans by a chess fan, one who loves the beauty of the game and wants to share it with those who are like-minded. Yet the chess mind is not only a chess mind, and other topics, such as philosophy, may appear from time to time."
- **Boylston Chess Club Blog** (<http://boylston-chess-club.blogspot.com/>) As noted above, Dave Glickman runs the show at the BCC blog, a top clearing house for chess blog links, chess news and assorted chess tidbits. A daily visit is well worth it.
- **The Kenilworthian** (<http://www.kenilworthchessclub.org/blogs/index.html>) Blogmeister Michael Goeller has succeeded when he says "I hope to create a space for the Kenilworth Chess Club on the web that is as inviting as the club itself." One of my favorite features is the Kenilworthian's index of chessblogs and resources about blogging generally.

- **[The Chess Underground](http://blog.chessunderground.org/)** (<http://blog.chessunderground.org/>) This irreverent, bohemian, and sometimes stream of consciousness offering is penned by Petros Karagianis and his band of merry bloggers. A relatively new but welcome addition to the Chess Blogosphere.
- **[North American Chess Association Blog](http://nachess.org/blog.html)** (<http://nachess.org/blog.html>). This blog offers frequent updates when NACA is running one of its premium FIDE rated events. Recently, the NACA blog has started to run daily puzzles derived from positions in classic games, with the assistance of Gopal Menon, one of the Illinois' top high school players.
- **[Chess at About.com](http://chess.about.com/)** (<http://chess.about.com/>) Not exactly a blog but a well-done and comprehensive site by Mark Weeks providing in-depth coverage of a wide range of chess topics including the phenomena of [chessblogs](http://chessblogs.com/) (<http://chess.about.com/od/blogs/>).
- **The Knights Errant.** This is a group of at least 30 active bloggers all of whom are pursuing chess improvement through the Michael de La Maza'a ("MDLM") program for Rapid Chess Improvement. MDLM is a five month intensive approach to chess improvement focused on tactical play. Some of the top blogging Knights include Man De La Maza (<http://mandelamaza.blogspot.com/>), J'adoube (<http://megaskins.blogspot.com/>), [Confessions of Chess Novice](http://chessconfessions.blogspot.com/) (<http://chessconfessions.blogspot.com/>) and [Temposchlucker](http://temposchlucker.blogspot.com/) (<http://temposchlucker.blogspot.com/>). Links and information about other Knights Errant can be found on these pages.
- **[Sarah's Chess Journal](http://chess.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?zi=1/XJ&sdn=chess&zu=http%3A%2F%2Fbatgirl.atspace.com%2Farchives.html)** (<http://chess.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?zi=1/XJ&sdn=chess&zu=http%3A%2F%2Fbatgirl.atspace.com%2Farchives.html>) A very rich and deep site dedicated to the history of chess with exceptional resources on the life and times of Paul Morphy in particular.
- **[Ben Finegold](http://www.gmbenfinegold.blogspot.com/)** (<http://www.gmbenfinegold.blogspot.com/>) Ben frequently competes at the top chess events in the Chicago area and has started blogging fairly recently. Ben's intro reads " Hello! My name is Ben Finegold and I am a Chess International Master. This blog will concentrate on my chess career as well as other top level chess tournaments. I will feature games, puzzles, and standings from all of my chess competitions."
- **[The Closet Grandmaster](http://closetgrandmaster.blogspot.com/)** (<http://closetgrandmaster.blogspot.com/>) "Chess is very simple. He goes there, I go here. I go there, he goes here."
- **[Shakmaty Bereolos](http://www.knology.net/~bereolos/)** (<http://www.knology.net/~bereolos/>) This is the website of Peter Bereolos. While it's not a blog, it has strong chess content and is one of the favorite web destinations of Illinois Chess Association President William Brock, an accomplished chess player and web surfer in his own right.
- **[Chess News and Events](http://chesslodge.blogspot.com/)** (<http://chesslodge.blogspot.com/>) An Eastern European perspective of the chess world written by Yugoslavian Goran Urosevic "the purpose of this blog is to provide chess news and articles. You'll be able to find reports of the most important chess events and tournaments."
- **[BlueEyedRook](http://blueeyedrook.blogspot.com/)** (<http://blueeyedrook.blogspot.com/>) "I live in Washington DC. I love chess... perhaps a little too much. Unfortunately, I am not very good at it. Relatively, of course. My game is not top-notch, but my enthusiasm is. This webpage outlines some of my chess-related adventures."

And last and perhaps least:

- **[The 64 Square Jungle](http://chessdad64.journalspace.com/)** (<http://chessdad64.journalspace.com/>) I started this blog back in 2004 not only to capture some of my own chess stories (as the chessdad to my son Eric aka Chessdude64, now 12), but also to provide some measure of recognition for many young players out there who have achieved and accomplished much in the world of chess but received sparse public notice. I have also written about the chess community at

large, its many colorful chess personalities, as well as chess politics. I remain amazed at the stories out there in the chess world, both on and off the board. Fact is often stranger than fiction, and I often remind myself that you can't write script like this.

**Trends In the Chess Blogosphere** And finally, **David Glickman from his perch at the Boylston Chess Club Blog, shares some recent trends in the chess blogosphere including:**

1. The expansion of foreign language chess blogs;
2. Blogs that provide real-time inside coverage of events including All Things Human at Turin Olympiad, BCC Weblog coverage of US Chess League, The 64 Square Jungle at the National Scholastics, Robert Pearson and The Sage in the Tower at Reno CC Championship;
3. Increased local coverage from other parts of the world (Malaysia - Gila Chess, Australia - The Closet Grandmaster, Nigeria - Nigeria Chess Player Forum, and Serbia - Chess News & Events);
4. More experiments with multi-media including videos of chess games with commentary (Adventures in Georgia Tournament Chess), Chess Talk; (Podcasts by Kosteniuk) and the Ruy Lopez show by The Closet Grandmaster;
5. Greater use of chess blog specific tools like ChessUp.net diagram maker; and
6. Google Ads are more prevalent , but probably not making anyone very much money.

The Chess Blogosphere has much to offer any chess enthusiast or chess fan. I hope you enjoyed the tour. Happy surfing.

And from the Chess Blogosphere, that's the way it is.....

Best Chess Regards,  
Chessdad64

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## *ICA Tour Prizes Awarded Vince Hart*

Based on the prizes awarded last year, I make the winners as follows.

Master 1st \$250 KARAGIANIS, PETE DEMETRIOS  
 Master 2d \$150 STAMNOV,ALEKSANDAR  
 Master 3d \$100 MITKOV,NIKOLA  
 Master 1st ExUrban \$120 ZIMMERLE,R WAYNE  
 Master 2d ExUrban \$60 BURGESS,JON L

Expert 1st \$95 LONG,DAVID  
 Expert  
 Expert 1st ExUrban \$90 CHIEN,JASON W

A 1st \$80 MEEROVICH,ILAN  
 A 2d \$40 CAVITT,DEXTER  
 A 1st ExUrban \$75 BOURGERIE,DENNIS

B 1st \$65 CEN,KENT Y  
 B 2d \$35 DUBIN,JOSHUA  
 B 1st ExUrban \$60 HEALY,JAMES D

C 1st \$50 DOS SANTOS,NICOLA  
 C 2d \$25 DJORDJEVIC,VLADIMIR  
 C 1st ExUrban \$45 NASZODI,LASZLO

D 1st \$35 MCNALLY,MICHAEL N  
 D  
 D 1st ExUrban \$30 RUAN,GEORGE J

E 1st \$25 HARVEY,FRANK J  
 E  
 E 1st ExUrban \$20 WILLIS,MATTHEW

Jason Chien and Ilan Meerovich should have one year dues (\$18) deducted from their prizes.

I would note that there did not seem to be a second place Expert Prize last year so I do not list one this year either.

The Ex-Urban prizes for Master, Expert, and A Class fell where they did because the leaders in those categories all won hire prizes in other categories.

Final standings are posted in the ICA Forum

## **The Illinois Scholastic Chess Championships A Blogger's Perspective**



The 2006 Illinois Scholastic Chess Championships took place back in February of this year. Like any championship event, this tourney had its share of big stories, along with many intriguing subplots as well. At the time, I wrote about some of these stories at my blog, The 64 Square Jungle which can be found at <http://chessdad64.journalspace.com>. The below report has been adapted from those earlier blog entries. Guest Bloggers are always welcome so if anyone out there has their own chess story they would like to share about the state tournament or otherwise, please feel free to contact me at [chessdad64@hotmail.com](mailto:chessdad64@hotmail.com).

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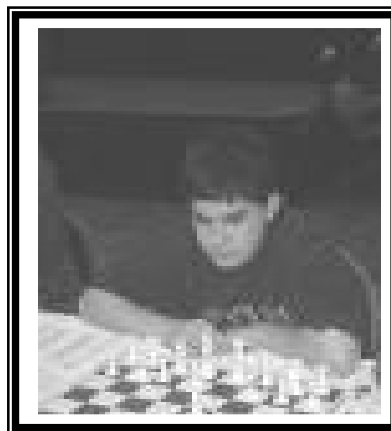
The 2006 Illinois Scholastic Chess Championships held at Chicago's Navy Pier is now history. Before this high energy and memorable event fades too far into the rear view mirror, I have some observations and reflections to share.

First off, hearty congratulations to this year's Illinois State Champions. In impressive fashion, the following young chess players won all seven of their matches during the long and grueling weekend of highly competitive chess. The champions are:

- \*\* K-1 - Bryce McClanahan
- \*\* K-3 – Gavin McClanahan
- \*\* K-5 - Sam Schmakel
- \*\* K-8 - Gaur Chirukandath and Frankie Swindell III

Some brief words about the champs. I have had the pleasure and privilege to witness the meteoric rise of brothers Bryce and Gavin McClanahan, as well as Sam Schmakel since their respective beginnings. I met

Gavin at a local Starbucks when he was a 6-year-old 1st grader. At the time I had my chessboard out, and he was drawn to it like metal to a magnet. We played a couple of games and had a nice chat – he was with his mom by the way. Younger brother Bryce followed suit and for a while he was my main sparring partner until the point where I could no longer give him a game, just about the time he turned 5. I played Sam at the Edgebrook library back when he was just learning the game as a 1st grader. At that time, I told his mom Eileen I was pretty sure he really had it going on. I don't think she quite believed me then, but I think she does now.



Frankie Swindell III

Frankie Swindell III has been on the chess scene for many years and will certainly go down in Illinois chess history as one of the great scholastic chess players of all time. Frankie has some other scholastic titles under his belt (he was a K-3 co-champ when he was in 3rd grade) but his seven wins on Navy Pier were certainly a crowning achievement in his chess career. Frankie shared the championship with Gaur Chirukandath, a newcomer to the Illinois scene from the Kerala region of India. Gaur, with his 1988 USCF rating, successfully defended board one with poise, confidence and precision throughout the weekend.



Gaur Chirukandath

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Crowd looks on Gaur & Jason Chein Blitz Finish

As State Champions, each of these young men have earned a special place in Illinois Chess History. It will be interesting to watch all of these extraordinarily talented competitors continue to progress in the years to come.

With more than 700 youngsters competing, the State Championship also entailed many other fascinating stories and intriguing subplots. Here are a few that caught my eye.

### \*\* How about those Junior High Schoolers !

According to Tom Doan, a leading figure and long time scholastic organizer on the Illinois scene, this was the strongest Junior High field in state history. After the Co-Champs, the top finishers in the division with six points based on the tie breaks were Trevor Magness (3rd place), Byron Chen (4th), Eric Rosen -- aka Chessdude64 (5th), Josh Dubin (6th), Justin Feng (7th), Dominick Leali (8th), Aaron Barton (9th), and Michael Auger (10th). Also of note with 5.5 points was Michael Chinitz. Michael's only loss was at the hands of Co-Champ Frankie Swindell in the final round. Michael, a 7 grader at Old Orchard Junior High and a real up and comer on the scholastic scene, will look to join the powerful Niles North program in just a couple of years.

\*\* How about those Girls ! Promoting the game to girls is receiving tremendous institutional support from several quarters here in the US. Earlier in the year, the Susan Polgar National Open Championship for girls was held in Corpus Christi, Texas. Additionally, the 3rd edition of the Garry Kasparov All-Girls National Championship took place back in March, where young ladies from across the country came to compete in this landmark event at Chicago's Palmer House. World Champion Garry Kasparov was also on hand for the festivities.



Jyotsna Bitra & Nisha Kishore left of the table playing the boys on board 1&2 .

A few of the girls truly made their presence known at Navy Pier. Of special note in the K-3 division were Jyotsna Bitra of Bloomington (6th place with 6 points), Nisha Kishore of Peoria (14th place with 5 points), and Megan Crane of Skokie (16th place with 5 points). This was only Megan's fifth tournament as she entered the event with a 302 rating. All I can say is --- watch out for Megan!

In the K-5 division Sonya Vohra, a talented young lady and student of Tamara Golovey, scored 6.5/7.0, surprising many with her tremendous 2nd place finish, while Adele Padgett scored 5.5 points and finished in 8th place. In the Junior High division, Shiny Kaur scored 5.5 points and finished in 15th place.

Also thanks to Lamar Wilson, the techno-savvy webmaster of the Chess In Chicago website, for his stellar coverage of this championship event. Lamar took over 300 pictures from the event that can be found at <http://www.chessinchicago.org/chessphotos/>. The CIC website also contains all of the tournament results at <http://www.chessinchicago.org/forum/showthread.php?t=90>.

One last recollection. One endearing tale from the state tournament concerns an over the board dispute involving a couple of kindergartners who settled their chess differences with a round of rock, paper, scissors. When this came to light later in the tourney, the coaches and a TD had a sit down with the two youngsters to explain why this was not the correct manner to settle their dispute. But then again maybe those kindergartners were on to something, and just perhaps our chess politicians and organizers should take note.

And from Chicago's Navy Pier...That's the way it was.  
Best Chess regards, Chessdad64

*ICA Girls Illinois  
State Chess Championship*



Cheryl Liu Open Champ

The ICA Girls Illinois State Chess Champion was held on April 29, 2006 at the beautiful campus of Joliet Jr. College. Thirty-eight girls attended and their smiles lit up the room that was other wise dreary from the rainy day. When the girls were asked what their favorite part of the tournament was the number one answer was shouted "no boys!" The second most common answer was winning.



Eleven girls battled in the Open section to earn the right to represent Illinois at the Susan Polgar Girls Championship Invitational. Congratulations to Cheryl

Liu of Buffalo Grove, IL who will be playing in the August event. Should she be unable to attend Shiny Kaur of Palatine ,IL will compete.



K-3 Winners



K-4 Winners



K-6 Winners

Special thank you to all of our sponsors. Steve Doyle and the JJC Chess Club for providing the playing sight. Marget Thorpe Incorporated who sponsored trophies for the unrated top finishers of the K-3 and K-6 sections and the team trophies. ChessTshirts.com donated t-shirts. Ernest Schlich, USCF board candidate, donated gift bags. The t-shirts and gift bags were award by random drawing at the beginning of each round.

### *ICA High School Invitational*

By Chris Merli

The players for ICA High School invitational gathered a few minutes before the event in the lobby of the Holiday Inn Select in Naperville. They casually examined games and surprisingly compared notes on one another. More than once players could be heard trying to discover what opening their opponent would venture. Sure they were competing for over \$700 in prizes yet they acted more like friends than rivals. The event started promptly at 9 am but op seeded Arjun Chirukandath was not at his board. Apparently he had accidentally traveled to the wrong location. His opponent graciously waived the 1 hour time forfeit but unfortunately he arrived a few minutes after the flag had fallen. The openings in the first round were mostly closed and sedate. Players were trying to maintain solid positions and look for a small edge. They clearly had too much respect for each other to attempt any quick strike. While an early round win may not lead to victory, an early round loss would almost certainly lead to elimination. On board two Gordon Ruan was beginning to fall behind Chris Nienhart. Meanwhile on board 8 Adam Strunk had a powerful pair of passed pawns racing down the center of the board and on board 7 Ben Rothchild had picked up a pawn and an exchange but now needed to extract his knight. On Board 5 Gopal Menon, a late addition to the field, used some very enterprising play to gain the edge on Ilan Meerovich however he overplayed his hand and Ilan brought home the full point in an ending. On board 4 David Olhausen had at least a equal game when opponent Kayin Barclay unleashed a series of complications topped by a bishop sac. At best these should have resulted in a draw but either Olhausen wanted more or overlooked his defensive resources. Back on board 7 Rothchild's knight never returned from its mission but he picked up additional pawns leaving an exciting battle between the extra pieces and three connected passed pawns. The black pieces swarmed around the white king while the pawns crept forward robbing black of both space and time on the clock. Just before the end black missed a chance to draw and succumbed to the clock. On board 3 Dan McNally lost a rook to a knight fork but managed to create an endgame blockade by leaving his opponent with tripled isolated pawns. This meant that even though black was up an exchange there was no way for his king to help the rook break through.

Unlike Round 1, Round 2 saw several quick and decisive games. Sethi Rishi made one of those moves that you wish you can take back as soon as you make it and less than an hour into the round we had the first

result. Kayin Barclay continued his aggressive style and won his second game. On board 1 Chris Nienart built up a powerful center forcing the white pieces into ever worse positions till he broke through on the kingside. Adam Strunk was down an exchange but had a far advanced pawn as compensation. On board 6 Arjun Chirukandath seemed to hold a commanding position but was chewing up large portions of the clock presumably in the search for the knockout blow. On board 6 Kevin Valezquez was creating a monster attack. Between rounds Several players are already beginning to calculate their chances. Arjun is hoping for a quick reduction in the number of perfect scores so he can knock off the leading contenders in hopes of recovering from the missed first round.

In Round 3 Andy Applebaum used a beautiful variation on a theme found in several openings to win a piece against Ilan Meerovich. With the loss Ilan was effectively eliminated. Seth Rishi seemed to to have a strong position against Dan McNally but Dan sacrificed a pawn and left Seth with an oddly trapped knight. It could not escape but Dan could not win by moving in for the kill so the players agreed to a draw. Adam strunk continued his strong performance in the third round forcing downstate expert Tony Cao into a R+P ending. Meanwhile on board 1 Kayin Barclay and Chris Nienhart were involved in a wild affair. Kayin had launched an early kingside attack while leaving his king in the center of the board. Chris counterattacked in the center yet somehow Kayin's king was still safe. However, Nienhart did seem to be winning the psychological battle as the game began to wind down into an endgame with Two of Kayin's knights trapped deep in enemy territory. That was when Chris missed the best continuation and was left to fight for a draw. When he was unable to hold the draw Kayin was left as the only perfect score.

Sunday morning dawned rainy and cool. The brisk Chicago wind sliced across the front of the hotel. Inside the players debated scenarios that would allow each to win the event. The clear consensus was that Adam Strunk was now the most popular player in the tournament as he faced front runner Kayin Barclay. Several players needed Adam to slow Kayin's momentum if they hoped to win the event. Arjun Chirukandath was doing his part to get back into the race as he defeated David Olhausen when David chose to allow doubled pawns for a more aggressive position. The doubled pawns proved fatal. On board two Andy Applebaum was pursuing a complex position in the Sicilian when he made a critical mistake and Chris Nienhart joined the chase group with 3 points. Tony Cao continued his undefeated streak when Dan Gannon traded an exchange to get a bishop pair and to expose the white king. However the king proved quite safe and Tony soon tucked away to full point. On board 1 Kayin seemed to have met his match as Adam Strunk



seemed unperturbed by his aggressive play and when Kayin Traded two bishops for a rook to further his attack Adam hung onto the position and slowly turned it into a winning endgame. Unfortunately Adam's precise play had cost him dearly on the clock and in complex ending he lost his edge and then overstepped the time limit.

Now a full point up on the filed Kayin was nearly assured of a first place finish when he faced Arjun Chirukandath. Arjun's trouble in the first round meant he would finish far down in the tiebreakers and so he could only win his game and hope for a draw on board two. Despite the fact that a draw would give him clear first Kayin refused to back down from his aggressive play and launched a direct assault against his opponent while his king remained in the center. At one point it seemed that this strategy would again pay dividends as Arjun's pieces were forced back but Kayin overlooked the strongest move and finally found his king was not safe in the center. On second board the battle for second place was between Chris Nienhart and Tony Cao. Chris Won a pawn and then put on an endgame clinic to finish in second place.

**(1) Applebaum,A - Chirukandath,A [B00]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship (1)

**1.e4 Black forfeits on time 1-0**

**(2) Gannon,D - Sethi,R [B25]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.g3 Nc6 5.Bg2 g6 6.d3 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 Rb8 9.Be3 b5 10.Qd2 b4 11.Nd1 Re8 12.Bh6 Bh8 13.Ne3 a5 14.Nh4 e6 15.f4 Nh5 16.Qf2 Bxb2 17.g4 Bxa1 18.Rxa1 Ng7 19.f5 Qf6 20.Rf1 g5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nf3 Nd4 23.Nxg5 ? 23...h6 24.e5 dxe5 25.Ne4 Qd8 26.f6+ Kh7 27.Qh4 Rg8 28.g5 Qf8 29.Ng4 Rg6 30.Nxe5 Nf5 31.Nxg6 fxe6 32.Qf4 Rb7 33.gxh6 Qxh6 34.Ng5+ Kg8 35.Bxb7 1-0

**(3) Nienart,C - Ruan,G [C06]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ne2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nb6 9.0-0 Be7 10.f4 f5 11.exf6 Bxf6 12.Nf3 0-0 13.Ne5 Bd7 14.Bd2 Be7 15.Qc2 Nxe5 16.Bxh7+ Kh8 17.fxe5 Rxf1+ 18.Rxf1 Bb5 19.Rf2 Rc8 20.Qg6 Bxe2 21.Rxe2 Qe8 22.Qd3 g5 23.Bg6 Qg8 24.Rf2 Rf8 25.Rxf8 Bxf8 26.Bxg5 1-0

No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5
1	Barclay, Kayin	2006	4	W4	W7	W2	W6	L3
2	Nienart, Christoph	2147	4	W13	W11	L1	W7	W5
3	Chirukandath, Vish	2199	4	-F-	W10	W13	W4	W1
4	Ohlhausen, David B	1870	3	L1	W16	W12	L3	W14
5	Cao, Tony	2115	3	D10	W8	D6	W11	L2
6	Strunk, Adam P	1918	3	W16	W9	D5	L1	D7
7	Applebaum, Andy F	1916	2.5	-X-	L1	W9	L2	D6
8	Rothschild, Ben	1826	2.5	W12	L5	D11	D10	D9
9	Meerovich, Ilan	2000	2.5	W14	L6	L7	W12	D8
10	Mc Nally, Daniel	1876	2	D5	L3	D15	D8	D11
11	Gannon, Dan I	1930	2	W15	L2	D8	L5	D10
12	Velazquez, Kevin J	1920	2	L8	W14	L4	L9	W15
13	Ruan, Gordon J	1885	2	L2	W15	L3	L14	W16
14	Menon, Gopal S	1858	2	L9	L12	W16	W13	L4
15	Sethi, Rishi	1842	1.5	L11	L13	D10	W16	L12
16	Paykin, Jeff	1664	0	L6	L4	L14	L15	L13

**(4) Strunk,A - Paykin,J [A85]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nc3 f5 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5 Be7 6.e3 c6  
 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0 Ne4 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Ne5 Nd7  
 11.Nxd7 Bxd7 12.Ne2 g5 13.f3 Nf6 14.Qe1 Kh8  
 15.Qg3 Rg8 16.Qe5 Rg7 17.h3 Rag8 18.g4 h5  
 19.cxd5 exd5 20.Ng3 Qxe5 21.dxe5 Ne8 22.Nxf5 Bxf5  
 23.gxf5 g4 24.f6 Rf7 25.fxc4 hxc4 26.hxc4 Rxc4+  
 27.Kf2 Nxf6 28.exf6 Rxf6+ 29.Ke1 Re6 30.Ke2 d4  
 31.e4 Rg2+ 32.Rf2 Rg3 33.Rh1+ Kg7 34.Rf3 Rg2+  
 35.Kf1 Rxb2 36.Rg1+ Rg6 37.Rxc6+ Kxc6 38.e5+ Kg7  
 39.e6 Rh2 40.Rf7+ Kg8 41.Bh7+ Kh8 42.e7 Rh1+  
 43.Ke2 d3+ 44.Kxd3 Rh3+ 45.Ke4 Rh4+ 46.Ke5 Rh5+  
 47.Bf5 1-0

**(5) Barclay,K - Olhausen,D [B10]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Ne5 a6 5.d4 Nc6  
 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.c3 Nf6 8.Nd2 a5 9.Bd3 e6 10.0-0 c5  
 11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.Nb3 Bb6 13.Bg5 Qd6 14.Qf3 Nd7  
 15.Rae1 Bc7 16.g3 Ne5 17.Bb5+ Bd7 18.Rxe5 Bxb5  
 19.Rfe1 0-0 20.Bf6 Bd8 [20...gxf6 21.Qxf6 Bd3]  
 21.Rg5 Bxf6 22.Qxf6 g6 23.Nd4 Rab8 24.Nf5 1-0

**(6) Menon,G - Meerovich,I [B77]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 g6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Bg7  
 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Bc4 0-0 8.Bb3 d6 9.f3 Bd7 10.Qd2 Ne5  
 11.0-0-0 Rb8 12.f4 Neg4 13.h3 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nh5  
 15.Rhf1 Nxf4 16.Rxf4 e5 17.Rxf7 Rxf7 18.Bxf7+ Kxf7  
 19.Ndb5 Bxb5 20.Nxb5 Bf8 21.Kb1 a6 22.Nc3 Kg7  
 23.Nd5 Be7 24.g3 Qd7 25.h4 h5 26.g4 hxc4 27.h5  
 gxc5 28.Qb3 Rf8 29.Ne3 Rf3 30.Nf5+ Qxf5 31.exf5  
 Rxb3 32.cxb3 Kf6 33.Kc2 Kxf5 34.Kd2 g3 35.Ke3 Kg4  
 36.Ke2 h4 37.Kf1 h3 0-1

**(7) Rothschild,B - Velazquez,K [B87]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4  
 e6 7.Bb3 b5 8.0-0 Be7 9.Qf3 Qc7 10.e5 dxe5  
 11.Ndxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Qa5 13.Qxa8 Qxa8 14.Nc7+  
 Kd7 15.Nxa8 Kc6 16.Re1 Nbd7 17.Be3 Nd5 18.Ba4+  
 Kb7 19.Rad1 N7f6 20.Nb6 Nxb6 21.Bxb6 Kxb6  
 22.Rxe5 Bc5 23.h3 Ba6 24.Bb3 Bb7 25.Bc4 Ne4 26.b4  
 Bxf2+ 27.Kf1 Bg3 28.Rb5+ Kc6 29.Bd3 Ba6 30.Ra5  
 Bxd3+ 31.Rxd3 Bd6 32.a3 Rb8 33.c4 f5 34.Ra6+ Kc7  
 35.c5 Bf4 36.Rxe6 Bg5 37.Ke2 g6 38.Ra6 Re8 39.Kf1  
 Nd2+ 40.Kg1 Re1+ [40...Be3+ 41.Kh1 Bf4 42.g3 Re1+  
 43.Kg2 Re2+ 44.Kh1] 41.Kf2 Rf1+ 42.Ke2 Rg1  
 43.Ra7+ Kb8 44.Rxh7 Rxc2+ 45.Kd1 Ne4 46.h4 Bf6  
 White wins on time 1-0

**(8) McNally,D - Cao,T [B80]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.g3  
 e6 7.Bg2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 Qc7 10.f4 Nc6 11.Be3  
 Re8 12.g4 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 e5 14.Be3 exf4 15.Rxf4 Be6  
 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Nd7 18.Bd4 Ne5 19.Re4 Bf6  
 20.Qe2 Re7 21.Re1 Rae8 22.Qf2 h6 23.c3 Nd3  
 24.Rxe7 Bxe7 25.Rxe7 Qxe7 26.Qf5 Ne5 27.Be4 Ng6  
 28.Bd3 Qe1+ 29.Kh2 Qd2+ 30.Kg3 Qg5 31.Qxg5 hxc5  
 32.Bxc6 fxc6 33.Kf3 Kf7 34.Kf2 b5 35.a3 Re4 36.b3  
 Kf8 37.Kf1 a5 38.b4 axb4 39.axb4 Re8 40.Kf2 Kf7  
 41.Kf3 Re1 42.Kf2 Rd1 43.Kf3 Rf1+ 44.Kg2 Rf4  
 45.Kg3 Rf1 46.Kg2 Rc1 47.Kf3 Ke7 48.Kg3 ½-½

**(9) Ruan,G - Sethi,R [B70]**

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be2  
 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Bg5 Nc6 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Re1 Rc8  
 11.Bf1 Ne5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 h6 14.Bh4 g5  
 15.Bg3 Bf5 16.c3 Qb6 17.h4 gxc4 18.Bxc4 Rc7  
 19.Qd2 Kh7 20.Nd4 Bg6 21.Kh1 Re8 22.b3 [22.f4 Ng4  
 23.Be2 f5 24.Bxc4 fxc4 25.f5 Bf7 26.Ne6] 22...Qc5  
 23.c4 a6 [23...Nxc4 24.Bxc4 Qxd4 25.Qxd4 Bxd4  
 26.Rac1] 24.Rad1 Bh5 25.f3 Bg6 26.Bf2 Qa3 27.Be2  
 a5 ?? 1-0

**(10) Olhausen,D - Paykin,J [A84]**

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1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nf3 f5 4.Bf4 Nf6 5.e3 Bd6 6.Nc3 c6  
 7.c5 Bxf4 8.exf4 Nbd7 9.b4 Ne4 10.Qc1 0-0 11.Be2  
 Ndf6 12.Ne5 Bd7 13.f3 Nxc3 14.Qxc3 Be8 15.a4 a6  
 16.0-0 Nd7 17.Nd3 g5 18.Rfe1 gxf4 19.Nxf4 Rf6  
 20.b5 axb5 21.axb5 Rxa1 22.Rxa1 cxb5 23.Bxb5 Nf8  
 24.Qb4 Rf7 25.Bxe8 Qxe8 26.Ra7 e5 27.Nxd5 exd4  
 28.h3 Qe5 29.Qc4 Ne6 [29...d3 30.Rxb7 d2 31.Rb1  
 Qe1+ 32.Qf1 Qe5 33.Nb4] 30.f4 Nxf4 [30...Qe4  
 31.Qb3 d3] 31.Nxf4 Qe3+ [31...Qxf4 32.Rxb7 Qe3+  
 33.Kh2 Qe5+ 34.g3 Qe8] 32.Kh1 Qxf4 ? 33.Rxb7  
 Qc1+ 34.Qxc1 Rxb7 35.Qc4+ Kf8 36.Qxd4 1-0

**(11) Applebaum,A - Barclay,K [B45]**

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6  
 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.e5 Nd5 8.Nxd5 [8.Ne4 Qc7 9.f4 Qb6  
 10.c4 Bb4+ 11.Ke2 f5 12.Nf2 Ba5] 8...cxd5 9.Bd3 Qc7  
 10.Bf4 Rb8 11.Qc1 g5 12.Bxc6 Qxe5+ 13.Qe3 Bb4+  
 14.Ke2 [14.c3 Bxc3+ (14...Bd6 15.Qxe5 Bxe5 16.0-0-0  
 15.bxc3 Qxc3+ 16.Ke2] 14...Bd6 15.b3 ?! [15.Qxe5  
 Bxe5 16.Bc1 Bxb2 17.Rb1 Be5] 15...h6 16.Bh4 ?  
 16...Qh5+ 17.f3 Qxh4 18.Qxa7 Qg5 19.g3 Qe5+  
 20.Kf2 Rb7 21.Qe3 Qxe3+ 22.Kxe3 Bf8 23.Kd2 Ba3  
 24.f4 Ra7 25.Kc3 Ba6 26.Bxa6 Rxa6 27.b4 Ke7  
 28.Rhd1 Rc8+ 29.Kb3 Bxb4 30.Kxb4 Rb6+ 31.Ka5  
 Rb2 0-1

**(12) Gannon,D - Nienart,C [B26]**

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 e5 7.d3 Nge7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qd2 Nd4 10.Nd1 f5 11.c3 Nxf3+ 12.Bxf3 fxe4 [12...f4 13.gxf4 exf4 14.Bxf4 g5] 13.Bxe4 d5 14.Bg2 Qd6 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Bf5 17.Qd2 Rad8 18.Ne3 Be6 19.Rfd1 Nc6 20.Qc1 Kg7 21.c4 Nd4 22.Re1 dxc4 23.Nxc4 Bxc4 24.dxc4 Qf6 25.Bxb7 Qxf2+ 26.Kh1 Nf3 27.Bxf3 Qxf3+ 28.Kg1 Qf2+ 0-1

**(13) Velazquez,K - Menon,G [B23]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.f4 d6 4.Nf3 a6 5.g3 [5.a3 Nc6 6.d3 Nf6] 5...Nc6 6.d3 Nf6 7.Bg2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bd2 Rb8 10.h3 b5 11.Qe1 Qc7 12.g4 Nd4 13.Rc1 Re8 14.Ne2 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 Bb7 16.Qf2 e5 17.g5 Nd7 18.fxe5 dxe5 19.Nh4 Rf8 20.Nf5 Bd6 21.Qg3 Kh8 22.h4 g6 23.Nh6 Nb6 24.Rf6 Rbe8 25.Rcf1 Re7 26.Qf2 Kg7 27.Ba5 Rd7 28.Bh3 Re7 29.h5 Qc6 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Rxg6+ 1-0

**(14) Meerovich,I - Strunk,A [D85]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Nf3 c5 8.Rb1 0-0 9.Be2 Nc6 10.d5 Bxc3+ 11.Bd2 Bxd2+ 12.Qxd2 Na5 13.h4 f6 14.0-0 [14.h5 g5 15.Nxg5 fxg5 16.Qxg5+ Kh8 17.h6 Rg8 (17...Rf7 18.Bh5 Qg8 19.Qe5+ (19.Qxg8+ Kxg8 20.Bxf7+ Kxf7 21.Rc1 b6 22.Rc3 e6 23.Rf3+ Ke7 24.Rh5 exd5 25.Re5+ Kd6 26.Re8 Nc6 27.Rf6+ Kd7 28.Rh8 1-0, Savchenko Stanislav (UKR) 2530 - Svidler Peter (RUS) 2455, Groningen (Netherlands) 1993) 19...Rf6 20.Qxe7 Qf8) ] 14...Bg4 15.Qf4 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Qd6 17.h5 g5 18.Qe3 b6 19.f4 h6 20.e5 Qxd5 21.Bf3 Qd4 22.Qxd4 cxd4 23.Bxa8 Rxa8 24.exf6 exf6 25.fxg5 25...fxg5 26.Rf6 Rd8 27.Rxh6 d3 28.Kf2 d2 29.Ke2 Nc4 30.Rd1 Re8+ 31.Kf2 Re5 32.Rc6 b5 33.a4 Rf5+ 34.Kg3 Rd5 35.axb5 Ne3 36.Rxd2 Nf1+ 37.Kg4 Nxd2 38.Rc8+ Kf7 39.Rc7+ Kf6 40.Rc6+ Kf7 41.Rc7+ Kf6 42.Rxa7 Rxb5 43.Ra6+ Kf7 44.h6 Ne4 45.Ra7+ Kg6 46.h7 Nf6+ 47.Kf3 Nxh7 48.Ra1 Rb3+ 49.Kf2 Nf6 50.Ra4 Kh5 51.Ra2 g4 52.Re2 g3+ 53.Kf1 Rb1+ 54.Re1 Rxe1+ 55.Kxe1 Kg4 56.Kf1 Kf4 57.Kg1 Ke3 58.Kh1 Ne4 59.Kg1 Ng5 60.Kh1 Nh3 61.gxh3 Kf2 0-1

**(15) Chirukandath,A - McNally,D [B26]**

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1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 e6 7.Qd2 Rb8 8.Nf3 Nd4 9.Bxd4 cxd4 10.Nb5 e5 11.Qb4 Bf8 12.Nxa7 d5 13.Qb5+ Bd7 14.Qxd5 f6 15.Nxe5 fxe5 16.Qxe5+ Kf7 17.0-0 [17.Qxd4 Bg7 18.e5 Qa5+ 19.Kf1 Be6 20.a4 Bxe5 21.Qe3 Bd7 22.Re1 Bf6 23.Nb5 Bxb5 24.axb5 Qxb5 25.Qe6+ Kg7 26.c4 Qc5 27.Re2 Ne7 28.Be4 Rhe8 29.Kg2 Nf5 30.Qd7+ Re7 31.Qa4 Nd4 32.b4 Qh5 33.Re3 Nf5 34.Rf3 Nd6 35.Bd5 Rbe8 36.b5 Re2 37.Qa7 R8e7 38.Rxf6 Kxf6 39.Bf3 Qf5 40.Bxe2 Rxe2 41.Qd4+ Qe5 42.Qxe5+ Rxe5 43.Ra1 Rc5 44.f4 Ke6 45.g4 Rc8 46.Kf3 Rf8 47.Ra5 g5 48.f5+ Kf6 49.c5 Nf7 50.d4 1/2-1/2, Narciso Dublan Marc (ESP) 2470 - Baches Garcia Guillermo (ESP) 2255, Catalonia (Spain) 1996] 17...Bg7 18.Qf4+ Ke7 [18...Ke8 19.e5 Qb6 20.e6 Qxa7 21.exd7+ Ke7] 19.e5 Ra8 20.Qxd4 Qb8 21.Qc5+ Kd8 22.Nb5 Qxe5 23.Qb6+ 1-0

**(16) Cao,T - Rothschild,B [C19]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.a4 Qa5 8.Bd2 Nbc6 9.Nf3 Bd7 10.Bb5 c4 11.0-0 a6 12.Bxc6 Bxc6 13.Ng5 Ng6 14.f4 Ne7 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qh3 h6 17.Bc1 Qc7 18.Ba3 a5 19.Bd6 Qd7 20.g4 Bxa4 21.Qh4 Ng8 22.f5 gxf5 23.gxf5 exf5 24.Nxf7 Qxf7 25.Rxa4 Ne7 26.Raa1 Ng6 27.Qh3 f4 28.Rxa5 Rd8 29.Rc5 Rg8 30.Kh1 Ne7 31.Rc7 Qg6 32.Rxe7+ 1-0

**(17) Paykin,J - Menon,G [A60]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.Nxd5 Nxd5 6.cxd5 d6 7.e4 g6 8.Be3 [8.Bd2] 8...Bg7 9.Qd2 [9.Qc2] 9...0-0 10.Rc1 Re8 11.f3 Nd7 12.Bb5 a6 13.Bxd7 Bxd7 14.Ne2 b5 15.b4 c4 16.Bd4 Bxd4 17.Nxd4 f5 18.0-0 fxe4 19.Qf4 Qb6 20.Rcd1 exf3 21.Rxf3 Rf8 22.Qe3 Rxf3 23.Qxf3 Rf8 24.Qe3 Re8 25.Qf2 Re4 26.Rf1 Qxd4 27.Qxd4 Rxd4 28.Re1 Rxd5 29.Re7 c3 30.Rxd7 c2 31.Rc7 Rd1+ 0-1

**(18) Meerovich,I - Applebaum,A [D35]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 c6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Qc2 Bg4 7.Ne5 Bh5 8.Bg5 Nbd7 9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 Nxe4 11.Qxe4 Qxg5 12.Nxc6+ Be7 13.f4 Qf6 14.Na5 0-0 15.Kf2 Rae8 16.Nc4 Bd6 0-1

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### (19) Rothschild,B - Gannon,D [C51]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a5 6.b5 Nd4 7.Nxd4 Bxd4 8.c3 Bb6 9.0-0 Nf6 10.d4 0-0 11.Ba3 Re8 12.Qb3 d5 13.exd5 exd4 14.Bb2 Ng4 15.Nd2 ½-½

### (20) Sethi,R - McNally,D [D43]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 e6 5.cxd5 cxd5 6.Bg5 Nc6 7.e3 Qb6 8.Qb3 Nd7 9.Be2 Bd6 10.0-0 Qxb3 11.axb3 f6 12.Bh4 Kd8 13.Rfc1 Nb6 14.Nb5 Be7 15.Bg3 Kd7 16.Bc7 Bd8 17.Bg3 a6 18.Nc3 Bc7 19.Bxc7 Kxc7 20.b4 Kb8 21.b5 axb5 22.Nxb5 Bd7 23.Nd2 Rc8 24.Nb3 Nd8 25.Rxa8+ Nxa8 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8 27.Nd6 Nc7 28.Nc5 Nc6 29.Bg4 Nd8 30.Kf1 Na6 31.Nxa6+ bxa6 32.Be2 Bd7 33.e4 Nc6 34.exd5 exd5 35.Bxa6 Kc7 36.Nf7 Be6 37.Nh8 Nxd4 38.Bd3 f5 39.g4 g6 40.gxf5 gxf5 41.Kg2 Kd6 42.Kg3 ½-½

### (21) Nienart,C - Barclay,K [B30]

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 e6 4.0-0 Nge7 5.Re1 a6 6.Bf1 Ng6 7.Nc3 b5 8.d4 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Bc5 10.Be3 Qb6 11.Nb3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Nge5 13.Qd6 Qb8 14.Qd2 f6 15.Rg3 g5 16.Nc1 h5 17.h4 g4 18.f4 Ng6 19.Nd3 Nxh4 20.Qf2 Qa7 21.Re3 Nd4 22.Rd1 Rg8 23.Kh1 Ng6 24.f5 Ne5 25.fxe6 dxe6 26.Qxf6 Nc4 27.Rg3 Qg7 28.Qxg7 Rxg7 29.Nf4 Nxc2 30.Rc1 N4e3 31.Nxh5 Rh7 32.Kg1 [32.Rh3 Rf7] 32...Rhx5 33.Bd3 Rc5 34.Bxc2 [34.a3; 34.Ne2 Bd7 35.Rxe3] 34...Nxc2 35.Rxc2 b4 36.Rxg4 bxc3 37.Rxc3 Rxc3 38.bxc3 Bb7 39.e5 Kf7 40.Rc4 Rc8 41.Rxc8 Bxc8 42.Kf2 Bb7 43.g3 Bd5 44.a3 Kg6 45.Ke3 Kf5 46.Kd4 Bb3 47.c4 Kg4 48.Kc5 Kxg3 49.Kb4 Ba2 50.c5 Bd5 51.Ka5 Kf4 52.Kxa6 Kxe5 53.Kb6 Kd4 54.c6 Bxc6 55.Kxc6 e5 56.a4 e4 57.a5 e3 58.a6 e2 59.a7 e1Q 60.Kb7 Qe7+ 61.Kb8 Kc5 62.a8Q Kb6 63.Qa4 Qd8# 0-1

### (22) Olhausen,D - Velazquez,K [D08]

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1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 d4 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bg5 Be7 6.Bf4 Bg4 7.Nbd2 Qd7 8.a3 a5 9.h3 Be6 10.e3 Rd8 11.Nb3 d3 12.Rc1 Bf5 13.Nbd4 Bc5 14.Nxf5 Qxf5 15.Rc3 d2+ 16.Nxd2 Nxe5 17.Qc2 Qe6 18.Nb3 Be7 19.Nxa5 b6 20.Bxe5 f6 21.Bxc7 Rc8 22.Bxb6 Qxb6 23.b4 Nh6 24.c5 Qb8 25.Bc4 Qe5 26.Bb5+ Kf7 27.f4 [27.Nc6] 27...Qh5 28.Be2 Qh4+ 29.Kf1 g5 30.Bc4+ Kg7 31.Qe4 Rhe8 32.Bb5 f5 33.Qf3 g4 34.Qf2 Qf6 35.Qc2 Red8 36.Nc4 Bxc5 37.bxc5 Rxc5 38.a4 Rdc8 39.Qd2 Nf7 40.Ke2 Rd8 41.Qc2 Nd6 42.Rd1 gxh3 43.gxh3 Qg6 44.Rxd6 Qg2+ 45.Kd1 Qf1+ 46.Kd2 Rd5+ 47.Rxd5 Rxd5+ 48.Rd3 Rxd3+ 49.Qxd3 Qf2+ 50.Qe2 Qxe2+ 51.Kxe2 1-0

### (23) Ruan,G - Chirukandath,A [B91]

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.g3 e5 7.Nde2 Be7 8.Bg2 Nbd7 9.0-0 0-0 10.h3 b5 11.g4 b4 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 a5 14.Ng3 Ba6 15.Re1 Bg5 16.Bxg5 Qxg5 17.Nf5 Qf6 18.Qd2 g6 19.Ne3 Nc5 20.b3 Qf4 21.a3 f5 22.axb4 axb4 23.Ra2 Rab8 24.gxf5 Rxf5 25.Rea1 Rb6 26.Nf1 Qh4 27.Ng3 Rf4 28.Qe3 Bb7 29.Ne2 Rf5 30.Ng3 Rg5 31.Ra5 Qf4 32.Qe2 h5 33.Kh1 h4 34.Nf1 Rxg2 35.Kxg2 Bxd5+ 36.f3 e4 37.Ra8+ [37.fxe4 Bxe4+ 38.Kg1 Qg5+] 37...Bxa8 38.Rxa8+ Kg7 39.fxe4 Qxe4+ 40.Qxe4 Nxe4 41.Kf3 Nf6 42.Ne3 Rc6 43.Rb8 Rc3 44.Ke2 Kh6 45.Rxb4 Rxe3+ 46.Kd2 Rxh3 47.Rd4 d5 48.b4 Ne4+ 0-1

### (24) Strunk,A - Cao,T [D36]

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1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Bg5 Be7 7.e3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Qc2 Re8 10.h3 Nf8 11.0-0 Be6 12.a3 Rc8 13.b4 N6d7 14.Bf4 Nb6 15.e4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Bd5 17.Rad1 Bxe4 18.Bxe4 Nd5 19.Bh2 Bd6 20.Bxd6 Qxd6 21.Bxd5 cxd5 22.Qa4 a6 23.Ne5 Ne6 24.Qd7 Qxd7 25.Nxd7 Rc3 26.Rfe1 Rd8 27.Nc5 Rxa3 28.Nxe6 fxe6 29.Rxe6 Rd7 30.Rb6 Rc3 31.b5 Rb3 32.Ra1 Rxb5 33.Rxb5 axb5 34.Rb1 b6 35.Rxb5 Rd6 36.f4 Kf7 37.Kf2 Ke6 38.Kf3 g6 39.g4 h5 40.Kg3 Kd7 41.gxh5 gxh5 42.Kh4 Kc6 43.Rb1 Re6 44.Kxh5 Re4 45.f5 Rxd4 46.f6 Rf4 47.Kg6 Rf2 48.Rg1 Kd6 ½-½

### (25) Sethi,R - Paykin,J [D02]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bg5 Be7 4.Bxe7 Qxe7 5.c3 Nd7 6.Nbd2 f5 7.e3 Ngf6 8.Be2 Ne4 9.Nxe4 fxe4 10.Nd2 Nf6 11.Rc1 c6 12.b4 b5 13.a4 Bd7 14.axb5 cxb5 15.Nb3 0-0 16.Nc5 a6 17.Ra1 Bc8 18.Bxb5 Qd6 19.0-0 Nd7 20.Qe2 Nxc5 21.bxc5 Qc7 22.Bxa6 Rf6 23.Bxc8 Rxc8 24.Rfb1 Rcf8 25.Rf1 Rh6 26.h3 Qf7 27.Ra6 Rg6 28.Rb6 Qf5 29.Kh2 Rh6 30.f4 Qf7 31.Rfb1 Rf6 32.Rb8 Qc7 33.Rxf8+ Rxf8 34.Qa6 Re8 35.Rb7 Qd8 36.c6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Qc8 38.Qa3+ Kg8 39.Qd6 h5 40.c7 1-0

### (26) Applebaum,A - Nienart,C [B34]

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Be2 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.0-0 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.Bf3 Qa5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bxc6 Bb8 14.Bd4 Rd8 15.c3 e5 16.Re1 exd4 17.cxd4 Be6 18.Qf3 Bxd4 19.Rab1 Rxb2 20.Rf1 Qxa2 21.Rbd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Qxf2+ 23.Kh1 Qxf3 24.gxf3 Bb6 25.Rxd8+ Bxd8 26.Kg2 Bc7 27.h4 Kf8 28.Kf2 Ke7 29.Ke3 Bg3 30.f4 Bxh4 31.Ke4 a5 32.Ba4 Bd7 33.Bb3 a4 34.Ba2 Be6 35.Bb1 a3 36.Ke5 Bf6+ 37.Ke4 Bf5+ 38.Kf3 Bxb1 0-1

**(27) McNally,D - Rothschild,B [B77]**

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 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6  
 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.Bd3 Ne5  
 11.0-0-0 Rb8 12.f4 Neg4 13.h3 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 e6  
 15.Ndb5 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 d5 ½-½

**(28) Menon,G - Ruan,G [C15]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
**1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5.bxc3 dxe4**  
**6.f3 e5 7.Be3 Nf6** [7...exd4 8.cxd4 Nf6 (8...Nh6 9.fxe4  
 Qh4+ 10.Kd2 Qxe4 11.Nf3 Nf5 12.Bb5+ Nc6 13.Re1  
 0-0 14.c3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Qf4 16.Qf1 Na5 17.Rb1 Be6  
 18.g3 Qd6 19.Bd3 h6 20.Re5 Qxa3 21.Reb5 b6  
 22.Ne5 Qd6 23.Qe2 c6 24.R5b2 Rab8 25.g4 c5 26.g5  
 cxd4 27.cxd4 f6 28.Ng6 fxe5 29.Nxf8 Kxf8 30.Rb4  
 Qf4+ 31.Kc2 Bg4 32.Qe5 0-1, Grabarczyk Bogdan  
 (POL) 2345 - Gdanski Jacek (POL) 2485, Poland  
 1993] **8.dxe5 Nd5 9.Bd4 0-0 10.Bc4 Qg5 11.Bxd5**  
**Qxg2 12.Bxe4 Qxh1 13.Qe2 Nc6 14.0-0-0 f5 15.exf6**  
**Nxd4 16.cxd4 Rxf6 17.Bd5+ Kf8 18.Re1 Be6**  
**19.Bxe6 Re8 20.d5 Rh6 21.Nh3 Qxe1+ 22.Qxe1**  
**Rexe6 23.dxe6 Rxh3 24.Qe5 Rxf3 25.Qxc7 Rf1+**  
**26.Kb2 Rb1+ 27.Kxb1 b6 28.Qf7# 1-0**

**(29) Cao,T - Gannon,D [B77]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6  
 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.h4 Ne5  
 11.Bb3 b5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 e6 14.Bxa8 Nc4  
 15.Qe2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Qa5+ 17.c3 Rxa8 18.a3 f5  
 19.h5 fxe4 20.fxe4 d5 21.hxg6 e5 22.Nf5 Bxf5 23.exf5  
 d4 24.Qe4 Rd8 25.Qb7 Rf8 26.Qd5+ 1-0

**(30) Barclay,K - Strunk,A [B54]**

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 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.f3 a6 6.c4 e6  
 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Qd2 Be7 9.Nc3 0-0 10.g4 Nd7 11.0-0-0  
 Nde5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Be2 f5 14.gxf5 exf5 15.f4 Ng6  
 16.Bh5 Nh4 17.Rhg1 g6 18.Nd5 cxd5 19.Qxd5+ Kh8  
 20.Qxa8 gxh5 21.e5 Qc7 22.exd6 Qxc4+ 23.Kb1 Bf6  
 24.Rd2 Qe4+ 25.Qxe4 fxe4 26.Rc1 Nf3 27.Rd5 Be6  
 28.Rxh5 Nd4 29.Rh6 Nf5 30.Rh3 Nxd6 31.Rh5 Nf5  
 32.Bd2 e3 33.Bb4 Rb8 34.a3 a5 35.Rc6 Nd4 36.Bc3  
 Nxc6 37.Bxf6+ Kg8 38.Kc2 Re8 39.Rg5+ Kf7 40.Bc3  
 e2 41.Kd2 Bc4 42.Rf5+ Ke7 43.Rc5 Rd8+ 44.Ke3 Bd5  
 45.Rb5 Kd6 46.Rb7 Re8+ 47.Kf2 Nd4 48.Rxh7 Nc2  
 49.Be5+ Kc5 50.Kxe2 Nd4+ 51.Kf2 Nc6 52.Bc3 Rf8  
 53.Ke3 Re8+ 54.Kf2 Rf8 55.Rh4 a4 56.Rg4 Rb8 57.f5  
 Rf8 58.f6 Rf7 59.Rxa4 Kd6 60.h4 Ne5 61.Bb4+ Ke6  
 62.Be7 Ng6 63.Ra6+ Ke5 64.Kg3 Nxe7 65.fxe7 Rxe7  
 66.h5 Rh7 67.Kg4 Rg7+ 68.Kh4 Kf5 69.Ra5 Ke4  
 70.Ra6 Black loses on time 1-0

**(31) Chirukandath,A - Olhausen,D [B19]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6  
 6.h4 h6 7.Nf3 Nd7 8.h5 Bh7 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Qc7  
 11.Bd2 Ngf6 12.0-0-0 e6 13.c4 0-0-0 14.Ne4 c5  
 15.Nxf6 gxf6 16.d5 Nb6 17.Ba5 Rd7 18.g3 Qd8  
 19.Rhe1 Bg7 20.Qe3 exd5 21.Qxc5+ Rc7 22.Qb5  
 Rxc4+ 23.Kb1 Qd7 24.Qxd7+ Nxd7 25.Rxd5 b6  
 26.Bc3 Rc7 27.Nd4 Ne5 28.Nf5 Rg8 29.f4 Nc6 30.Rd6  
 Bf8 31.Re8+ Kb7 32.Rxf6 Rh8 33.Rxc6 1-0

**(32) Velazquez,K - Meerovich,I [B23]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Bb5 Nd4  
 6.Bd3 d6 7.Nxd4 cxd4 8.Ne2 e5 9.0-0 Ne7 10.c3 Nc6  
 11.cxd4 Qb6 12.Kh1 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Qxd4 14.Bb5+  
 Ke7 15.Qf3 f6 16.fxe5 dxe5 17.b3 Be6 18.Ba3+ Kf7  
 19.Rac1 Rac8 20.d3 a6 21.Bc4 Qd7 22.Qh3 b5  
 23.Bxe6+ Qxe6 24.Qe3 Rhd8 25.Bb2 Kg8 26.d4 exd4  
 27.Bxd4 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 Bh6 29.Qxh6 Rxd4 30.Qf4  
 Rxe4 31.Qb8+ Qe8 32.Qg3 Qe5 33.Rc8+ Kg7  
 34.Rc7+ Kh6 35.Qh3+ Kg5 36.Qg3+ Qxg3 37.hxg3  
 Re2 38.a4 bxa4 39.bxa4 Re4 40.Rxh7 Rxa4 41.Ra7  
 Kg4 42.Kh2 Ra5 43.Rg7 Rh5+ 44.Kg1 Rg5 45.Rf7 Rf5  
 46.Rg7 g5 47.Ra7 a5 48.Kh2 Rb5 49.Ra6 f5 50.Ra8  
 Kh5 51.Ra6 g4 52.Kg1 Rb1+ 53.Kf2 Ra1 54.Ke3 Kg5  
 55.Ke2 a4 56.Kf2 Ra3 57.Kf1 Rxg3 58.Rxa4 Rb3  
 59.Ra8 Rb4 60.Rf8 Rb1+ 61.Ke2 0-1

**(33) Gannon,D - McNally,D [B30]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 ½-½

**(34) Meerovich,I - Rothschild,B [D30]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 c5 4.0-0 e6 5.c4 Nc6 6.cxd5  
 exd5 7.d4 Be7 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.Qc2 Bb6 10.Rd1 0-0  
 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.Nc3 Be6 14.e4 ½-½

**(35) Paykin,J - Ruan,G [D70]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nb6 6.Nc3  
 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.d5 Ne5 10.b3 c6 11.Rc1  
 cxd5 12.Bxb6 Qxb6 13.Nxd5 Qd8 14.f4 Nc6 15.Nf3 e6  
 16.Ne3 Qxd2+ 17.Nxd2 Bh6 18.g3 e5 19.Nd5 exf4  
 20.gxf4 Kg7 21.Nf3 Rb8 22.Rd1 Re8 23.e5 Bf5 24.Ng5  
 Bxg5 25.Nc7 Bh4+ 0-1

**(36) Olhausen,D - Menon,G [A65]**

ICA High School Invitational Championship  
 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4  
 g6 7.Bd3 Bg7 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Nf3 a6 [9...a5; 9...Na6]  
 10.a4 Nbd7 11.h3 Qc7 12.Qe2 Re8 13.0-0 h6 14.Bf4  
 g5 15.Bh2 g4 16.hxg4 Nxg4 17.Bf4 Nde5 18.Nxe5  
 Nxe5 19.Bc2 Qe7 20.Rae1 Ng4 21.Qf3 Ne5 22.Qg3  
 Kh8 23.Bd1 Rg8 24.Qe3 Ng4 25.Bxg4 Bxg4 26.Ne2  
 Bxb2 27.Be5+ Kh7 28.Bxb2 Rg6 29.Nf4 Rg5 30.f3 Bd7

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31.a5 Rag8 32.Rf2 h5 33.Qc3 h4 34.Qf6 Qf8 35.e5 h3  
36.e6 fxe6 37.Qxf8 Rxf8 38.dxe6 1-0

### (37) Velazquez,K - Sethi,R [B23]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 e6 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bb5 Be7  
6.Bxc6 bxc6 7.d3 d5 8.e5 Nd7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Na4 Nb6  
11.Nc3 c4 12.d4 c5 13.Be3 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Bd7 15.Qe2  
Na4 16.Nxa4 Bxa4 17.Qd2 Bb5 18.c3 a5 19.Qf2 a4  
20.a3 Rb8 21.g4 Bd7 22.h4 Rb5 23.Rac1 Qc7 24.Qg2  
Rfb8 25.Rc2 Qb7 26.Rff2 Be8 27.f5 exf5 28.gxf5 Bf8  
29.f6 g6 30.h5 Bd7 31.Nh4 Be8 32.hxg6 hxg6 33.Nf3  
Qd7 34.Ng5 Bh6 35.e6 fxe6 36.f7+ Bxf7 37.Nxf7 Qxf7  
38.Rxf7 Kxf7 39.Rf2+ Ke7 40.Qxg6 Bf8 41.Rf7+ Kd6  
1-0

### (38) Nienart,C - Cao,T [B87]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4  
e6 7.Bb3 b5 8.Bg5 Be7 9.Qf3 Qc7 10.0-0-0 Nbd7  
11.Rhe1 Ne5 12.Qe2 b4 13.Nb1 Bd7 14.f4 Nc6  
15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Qd2 Be7 18.Qxb4 d5  
19.Qc3 dxe4 20.Rxe4 0-0 21.Ba4 Rac8 22.Qxc6 Qxc6  
23.Bxc6 Rxc6 24.Rd7 Bf6 25.Ra4 Rd8 26.Rxd8+ Bxd8  
27.Nd2 Kf8 28.Rc4 Rb6 29.Ne4 Ke7 30.a4 f5 31.Nf2  
h6 32.a5 Rb5 33.b4 e5 34.Nd3 exf4 35.Nxf4 g5  
36.Nd3 Rd5 37.Rc6 Rd6 38.Rxd6 Kxd6 39.c4 Kc6  
40.Kd2 Bc7 41.h3 h5 42.Ke3 g4 43.Kd4 f4 44.hxg4  
hxg4 45.Ke4 Bd6 46.c5 f3 47.gxf3 g3 48.Ne1 Bc7  
49.f4 Kb5 50.f5 Kxb4 51.Kd5 Kb5 52.f6 Bd8 53.f7 Be7  
54.c6 1-0

### (39) Barclay,K - Chirukandath,A [B20]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.e4 c5 2.Nh3 d6 3.g4 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.f3 Nc6 6.Ne2  
e6 7.Ng3 Nge7 8.c3 d5 9.d3 b5 10.Bd2 Qb6 11.f4 f6  
12.a3 a5 13.Nf2 Bb7 14.h4 c4 15.Rh2 cxd3 16.Bxd3  
dxe4 17.Ngxe4 Na7 18.Qe2 Nd5 19.h5 0-0-0 20.h6  
Bf8 21.b3 Qc7 22.Rh3 Nxf4 23.Bxf4 Qxf4 24.Rf3 Qe5  
25.Rxf6 Bxh6 26.Rf7 Rdf8 27.Rxf8+ Rxf8 28.Bxb5  
Rxf2 29.Kxf2 Nxb5 30.Qxb5 Qf4+ 31.Kg1 Qxg4+  
32.Kf1 Qh3+ 33.Ke1 Qe3+ 34.Kf1 Qxe4 35.Qe8+ Kc7  
36.Qe7+ Kb6 37.Qd8+ Ka6 38.Qd6+ Bc6 39.Qg3  
Qh1+ 40.Qg1 Qh3+ 41.Ke2 Qf3+ 1-0

### (40) Strunk,A - Applebaum,A (1916) [D35]

ICA High School Invitational Championship

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 c6 5.cxd5 exd5  
6.Bg5 Bg4 7.Ne5 Bh5 8.Qb3 Qb6 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nd3  
Nd7 11.e3 Bd6 12.Qc2 f5 13.Qd2 Nf6 14.f3 Qc7  
15.Nf4 Bg6 16.Bd3 Nh5 17.Nxh5 Bxh5 18.Bxf5 Bxh2  
19.0-0-0 Bg6 20.Bxg6 hxg6 21.f4 0-0-0 22.g4 Bg3  
23.Qg2 Bh4 24.g5 Qd7 25.Rh2 Rh7 26.Rdh1 Rdh8  
27.Ne2 Rh5 28.Ng1 Be1 29.Nf3 Rxh2 30.Rxh2 Rxh2  
31.Qxh2 Ba5 32.Ne5 Qe7 33.Qh8+ Kc7 34.a3 c5  
35.Qg7 Bb6 36.Qxf7 Qxf7 37.Nxf7 cxd4 38.Ne5 dxe3  
39.Nxg6 Kd8 40.Kd1 Ke8 41.Ne5 Bd4 42.Nd3 Kf7  
43.b3 ½-½

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## Road Warrior

by NM Pete Karagianis

Adventure seekers, thrillmongers, and discouraged wanderers alike, welcome back to your regularly scheduled program.

Sort of.

For the second year in a row I spent Memorial Day somewhere other than in the skittles room at the Oakbrook hotel that hosts the well-known annual Windy City CCA event. For the second end-of-May holiday in a row, dear friends, my location was the same: the North American Open in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Last year, I scored 6.5 from 9 and ended up in a huge tie for third behind Onischuk and Shulman. It's hard to imagine that this year could have been better, but in a lot of ways, well...

The Berry's just know how to do it right. End of story. I don't know how or why- I don't know if it's the Oklahoma Western Savvy, the smile and a handshake, or the beer and poker on Saturday night. I honestly can't say what, exactly, it is that brought me back, especially after suffering a sing-along eight-hour drive on the way back from the '05 NAO because one of the lowans, who will remain nameless, forgot to charge his Ipod the night before... and so I'll blanket it under the wonderfully ambiguous umbrella of "atmosphere."

For those of you unfamiliar with the Berry's, they are the same duo- Frank and Jim, esq.- I wrote about in a previous Road Warrior installment, an article that, by the way, inspired Illinoisans Larry Cohen and Chris Baumgartner to pack up the old RV, prop a "Stillwater or Bust" sign in the back window and book it cross-country when they could have played in the Chicago Open, which is no small tournament to miss by any means, in their own backyard the very same weekend.

Oh, by the way, for their efforts, Frank made a special announcement before round two and they received a hearty round of applause from the entire playing hall.

This year's event, according to Franklin himself, was "toned down" a bit, though I'm not sure what he meant as it featured a grand total of ninety players, up from last years sixty-one. Maybe he meant it was seven rounds instead of nine in 2005. Of course, as he

explained, there will be ten rounds in '07 and there were twenty rounds in 1970.

Scared by the numbers? Yes, let me clarify, that's a twenty round open Swiss tournament. He has the British Chess Federation magazine to prove it- bound in a red cover and inserted in place next to all the other yearly compilations that he has painstakingly collected himself since the 1960's. "We're not sure what he means by the lowest Swiss ever," the BCF mag said, above the crosstable. "They must have misread what I sent them," Frank explained to me as he held the page open for me to read. "You should work on your handwriting," I replied.

Frank gave me a personal tour of his home chess library on Sunday evening. I can't even begin to describe the history he has accumulated. He showed me volumes of chess memorabilia, and signed copies of books or tournament reports by the likes of Smyslov, Botvinnik, Karpov, and Tal. He opened them all and gave the story behind them with the same nonchalance as when he praised the rug in the garage. "I'm sure that it saved the cat's life, you know... ran the poor thing over, but the rug was soft. Cost me two-fifty at the vet's." Then, without changing his monotone, half-eyebrow-raised drawl, he flipped the page to another autograph, "Oh look, here's one by Bent Larsen."

Sure- I could plug the tournament all night- it was a great event, I finished with 5.0 from 7, in a huge logjam for the second score group, had a blast, and yada yada... but what will stick with me is that night in Berry's library. He pulled books off the shelf like some weird conductor- knowing exactly the place and movement required. He held up a book on Capablanca- a story about him from his wife, Olga, then pulled an autobiography by Admiral Jocko Clark, Olga's next husband, showed the relation, gave an anecdote about the two, and slid them gently back to the shelf.

And something struck me.

I'm not sure what it was, I've thought about it for some time and still cannot put "it" into words- the articulation fails me in the same way the general idea haunts me... but there is something unique and unparalleled in the ability to live on in books and suddenly come to life as you are pulled off the shelf and your life is shown- your words to another human are shown- to anyone who will observe. Of course, there's something else entirely in the hospitality of our host, Frank, who was willing to share that moment, that idea, unknowingly or otherwise, and for that I thank him.

And to the rest of you, 2007 NAO. Ten Round Swiss. Memorial Day. Be there or be square.

Later Jive Turkeys.

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## One game from the event:

(2) Bond, T (1978) - Karagianis, P (2215) [E01]

Blitz:90'+30" (4), 2006

[Karagianis]

192MB, Fritz8.ctg, ACROPOLIS 1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 c5 3.Bg2 Nc6 4.d4 Nf6 5.0-0 The Gruenfeld Reversed, more or less. So a more passive line seems suitable to offer black at least equality. 5...e6 6.c4 As usual, Gruenfeld players could care less about the center. Playing c4 a tempo up is sharp and pressing, but will afford no immediate advantage. 6...cxd4 7.Nxd4 Qb6 This move shows black's goal: to solidify the center in some manner. Any knight retreat loses time, where Be3 is met by Bc5. 8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.Qa4 Bd7 There is no need to allow cxd5 when black cannot recapture with the c6 pawn. If white plays cxd5 where black must take with exd5 due to the pin on s6, this would result in "hanging pawns" which, while not necessarily a disadvantage right away, could become targets. Bd7 has the added advantage of a future discovery against the white queen. 10.Nd2 I was not satisfied with my next move. Looking at the position now, e5! seems rather obvious-black has committed his knight early and it will not find c3 (to attack d5) very easily. Moreover, it is black who controls the d4 square. In the game, however, Nd2 at first sight appeared "slow" and so I felt I had time to play a simple, developing move. A good lesson: always seize the initiative. 10...Be7 Bd6 was probably better due to white's next move. [Let's take a look at some sample lines with 10. ...e5 to make sure it is not overly aggressive: 10...e5 11.Qc2 Be7 12.e4 Rc8 13.Qd3 and now white has a choice between holding the pawn with a move like Be6, or the simple: 13...0-0 14.exd5 (14.cxd5 cxd5 15.exd5 Bb5) 14...cxd5 15.Bxd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Bh3 17.Re1 Rc5 18.Qd3 Rd8 19.Qe2 where black has far superior development, the two bishops, and the light squares to attack in exchange for a small pawn.] 11.e4 I underestimated the strength of this move. At first sight, it looks like white's threats are minimal: if either pawn captures on d5, black simply recaptures with the c6 pawn, discovering an attack and solving the issue. The problem, however, is the simple p-e5. 11...d4 This move creates a passed pawn, but at what cost? [I saw the following during the game: 11...Qd4 however, I just could not convince myself that this was an adequate method for dealing with the problem. Moreover, now the queen is in the way of playing p-d4.; Also impossible was: 11...0-0 because... 12.e5 and now Ng4 is impossible 12...Ng4 13.c5 and black loses a piece. For this reason, I also considered 11. ...Rb8, with the following idea:; 11...Rb8 12.e5 Ng4 13.c5 Qb4 but, white is not forced to play c5, and can simply play 12. e5 Ng4 13. Nf3] 12.e5 Ng4 13.Nf3 h5 A very speculative and perhaps unnecessary move. Still, I wanted to play Nh6 without allowing Bxh6 to destroy my structure. 14.h3

Nh6 15.Qc2 Rb8 16.b3 Nf5 17.Bg5 A very concrete idea for white: trade the dark square defender and develop the last piece. 17...c5 an equally concrete reply: solidify the passed pawn, close off some of the dark squares, and prepare Bc6, to trade white's potentially powerful bishop. 18.Bxe7 Kxe7 Perhaps Nxe7 was better, but I was not sure that I wanted my King castled just yet- I still had ideas of Rh6-g6, or the like. 19.Nd2 Rh6 20.Be4 Qc7 21.Nf3 Kf8 It's never a bad idea to get your king out of the fight. 22.Rae1 Ne7 23.Qd2 Very impressive play by white. White does not try to "force" anything, but instead makes moves to probe black's position. Now the queen may, in some cases, invade via f4. 23...Kg8 24.Ng5 Ng6 25.f4 Ok. It's hard to imagine this, but 25. f4 may actually be the losing move. Of course, white makes mistakes later in the game, which we will discuss, but this move does three negative things: first, it weakens g3. Second, it opens up white's king, and third, it allows black's knight the e3 square, which could be very uncomfortable. So much so, that white later feels the trade of bishop for knight (when black's knight lands on f5, menacing e3) is mandatory. 25...Ne7 26.Bc2 Rb6 Coming up with a plan for either side is relatively difficult. As black, my goal is simple: pressure white while controlling the sixth rank. Rb6 starts a plan to go after the a2 pawn. 27.Nf3 Ra6 28.Bb1 Nf5 Notice how small things affect the game: the tempo black gained when white played Bc2 and Bb1 and now Bxf5, or the ominous threat to the e3 square... 29.Bxf5 exf5 30.Qc2 Ra3 31.Re2 Another minor inaccuracy. White can't allow the trade of two rooks for queen and pawn due to the passed d4 pawn and discoordination of the white forces, thus, after Rha6, Ra1 or Qb1 (and the further loss of time) is necessary. 31...Rha6 32.Ra1 Qb7 Played instantly. This move threatens Rxb3 and Qxf3, so white only has one reply. 33.Nd2 It is interesting how chess works out. Before, Rhg6 was not much of a threat as white's pieces were coordinated near the kingside. Now that they have been repositioned and tied down, a breakthrough against the white king may be possible. 33...Rg6 34.Kh2 h4 under pressure, white cracks. gxh4 is probably now the only reply, after which would follow Rh6, Rxh4, and Qh6 for black. 35.Nf1 Qf3 And black is winning, but in time pressure. 36.Rg2 Bc6 37.Rg1 hgx3+ I missed a crushing combination, which empties both the bishop on c6 and the inactive a3 rook [37...d3 38.Qd2 Qe2+ 39.Qxe2 dxe2 40.Ne3 hxg3+ 41.Rxg3 e1Q 42.Rxe1 Rxa2+] 38.Nxg3 Qxf4 39.Raf1 Qxe5 40.Rxf5 Qd6 Black has less than one minute. Qe3 was better, but Qd6 leaves less to calculate. 41.Qf2 f6 42.h4 Rh6 43.Kh3 Bd7 44.h5 Bxf5+ 45.Qxf5 Qe5 46.Qg4 Rxa2 And white played on a few more moves but soon resigned thanks to the ten second increment. 0-1



## *Ray Doyle Satterlee: A Remembrance and Appreciation*

By Ken Marshall



The late Ray Doyle Satterlee, a longtime Illinois chess stalwart whose tournament career spanned 53 years, participated in 27 U.S. Opens (including 20 in a row from 1981 through 2000). It thus seems fitting to remember him in conjunction with the upcoming Open, scheduled for August 5 through August 13, 2006, in Oak Brook, Illinois. Had Ray lived, he would have played in that event. Instead, the tournament coincides with the first anniversary of his death on August 12, 2005.

Ray was 11 years old when he pushed his first pawn in 1948, learning chess while home from school recovering from rheumatic fever. He played in his first U. S. Chess Federation tournament in 1953 and his last in 2005. During that time he took home scores of trophies and prizes in club, local, and state-wide events in eight states, tied for first in three U.S. Senior Opens (1987, 1991, and 1994), and won two Illinois Senior Opens (1998 and 1999). Early in his career Ray played correspondence chess and was twice U.S. Junior Champion of the Correspondence Chess League of America (1953 and 1955). More than 40 years later, in 1998, he received the Natalie Broughton Award for Life Achievement in Chess. In February of 2005, less than

four months before the discovery of the brain cancer which would take his life, Ray, rated 1974 and still playing well at age 68, defeated 2116 rated Jim Marshall to win a McHenry Area Chess Club Quad. He finished third in his last tournament, also a McHenry event, in late May of 2005.

His own club and tournament play made up only part of Ray's chess life. He also founded and coached the chess club of Queen Bee Elementary School District 16 in Glendale Heights, Illinois. Ray's teams won a state championship in 1984-1985, finished second in 1988-1989, and ended up third in 1989-1990. Ray took his students to dozens of scholastic tournaments, including the 1985 National Grade School Championship in Charlotte, North Carolina. There his fifth graders finished 18<sup>th</sup> in a field of 31, a respectable result, Ray noted, considering that most of their competitors were in the sixth grade. Ray's patience and good humor while shepherding 20 to 25 students at events with hundreds of children in attendance were legendary. After his retirement in 1993 Ray continued to coach for several more years, and then assisted the new coach for another several years. He was involved in scholastic chess for more than two decades.

Ray came out of the 1953 U.S. Junior Open Championship with an initial rating of 1703. That first rating was also his lowest. Ray was an Expert (2000-2199) for more than 25 years. His rating topped out at 2180. At his peak he was certainly master strength. Ray's job responsibilities (he taught fourth and fifth grade for nearly 30 years) severely limited the time he could devote to chess during the school year. Between September and May he would play in a few "blitz" events and a couple of club tourneys, but little else. Ray would be rusty when he resumed tournament activity in June, play himself into shape by August, and then have to return to the classroom. When he retired in 1993 Ray planned to devote more time to study and to play with the hope of breaking 2200. He never made it, partly because his best chess years were behind him and partly because he spent much time substitute teaching and continuing to coach scholastic chess.

I knew Ray for 34 years. I met him in 1971 at the Lombard Chess Club, one of the many short-lived clubs born during the "Fischer Boom" as Bobby Fischer marched inexorably to the World Chess Championship. People who could hardly name the pieces were playing then, and proved easy pickings even for me (rated about 1250 at that time). So I was confident when a somewhat pudgy, soft-spoken "middle aged" man (I was 22, Ray was 34, but looked somewhat older) asked me if I wanted a game. He quickly crushed me three times. Ray was gracious in victory, analyzing the games and pointing

## Ray Doyle Satterlee

out variations I had not even seen, much less considered. I occasionally saw Ray at the Lombard Chess Club and at tournaments over the next two years.

My friendship with Ray really began in 1973, when I was a letter carrier at the Lombard Post Office and discovered that Ray lived on one of the routes to which I was assigned. As a teacher, Ray had June, July, and August off. Often during those months I would find myself at his apartment during my lunch hour, playing and losing half a dozen five minute games each time. Ray and I kept in touch while I was in law school (1975-1978), taking in the occasional tournament during the summers. We started going to tournaments together on a regular basis in the 1980s. By then he was living in Wheaton, I was living in Lombard, and our friendship had progressed beyond chess: he and I would have lunch or dinner together several times a month, and Ray would often join my family for Thanksgiving and other holiday dinners and would attend family functions such as birthday parties for my children. My wife and I hosted a party for him when he turned sixty. A member of Mensa with a fine sense of humor (he especially appreciated puns, and could be counted on to laugh at my jokes), Ray was always good company.

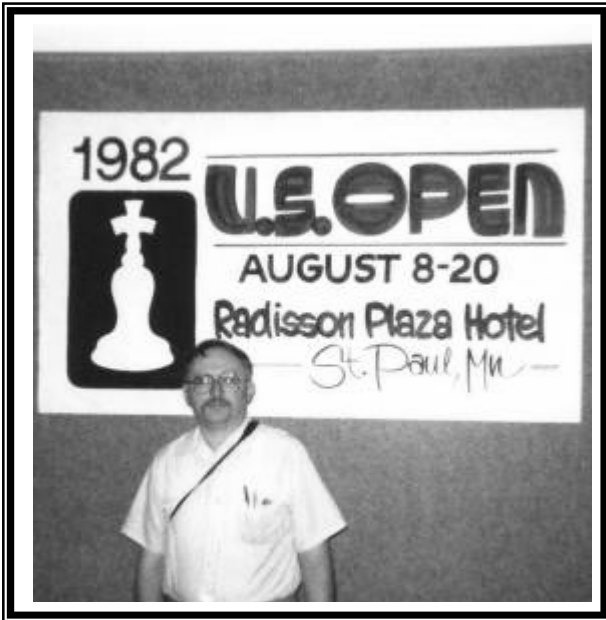
When I became secretary and then president of the Oak Park - Forest Park (later the Oak Park - River Forest and then the Concordia Community) Chess Club in the late 1980s, Ray joined up. He played in many club events, and invariably took a board in matches against other clubs and in the annual Grandmaster simultaneous exhibitions. (Ray defeated GMs Roman Dzindzindhashvili, Lev Alburt, Alexander Ivanov, John Fedorowicz, and Nick deFirmian in club simul. He beat GM Walter Browne in a simul at the 1984 U.S. Open.) Ray was also a long time member and several time champion of the St. Charles Chess Club and an early member of the then newly formed Renaissance Knights Chess Club.

Over the years I wrote a number of *Illinois Chess Bulletin* articles about Ray's chess achievements, including a lengthy 1990 story dealing with his chess career up to that point. (Ray jokingly took to calling me his press agent.) Those articles, along with his frequent tournament play and his scholastic chess activity, made Ray well known in the Illinois chess community. My writing also led to his self-described "dual chess identity" - while I always referred to him as "Ray", many chess players (and most of his non-chess friends) called him "Doyle". Ray affably answered to either name.

A lifelong bachelor with no immediate family, Ray found congenial companionship at chess events. He enjoyed the club and tournament experiences: the camaraderie, the socializing, the analyzing and post mortems. His easy going personality and lack of arrogance led to his popularity with all chess players, from Class D to Senior Master, and from grade school student to senior citizen. Ray was as patient and comfortable in explaining the "Fool's Mate" to an eight-year-old as he was in analyzing any of his many wins over masters. He often spoke of the many friends he made and of the many pleasant experiences he had as the result of his involvement with chess. But Ray was primarily a player. When he and I went to Las Vegas at the time of the 1999 FIDE World Chess Championship, Ray spent most of his time at the slot machines and at the Blackjack tables rather than spectating at the event. He would not go to tournaments to "visit"; if he could be there, he would play. An avid Internet Chess Club member, Ray took part in more than 15,000 games on the ICC during the eight years he belonged, but rarely watched the ICC relays of top tournaments (such as Linares and Corus) or of World Championship matches.

Internet chess brought to the fore the troublesome issue of cheating: using computers, books, or the advice of others while playing. Ray had deep respect for the game that meant so much to him. The idea that someone would cheat at it appalled him. Shortly before his death he still talked of how a well-known master (who, Ray found out later, had a reputation as being, to put it diplomatically, "ethically challenged") had taken back a move against him almost 19 years before, during the 1986 U.S. Open. Shocked by that action, Ray was further stunned when his opponent denied doing it. A tournament director was summoned, but said he could do nothing in the face of the denial and with no independent witnesses. Understandably upset, Ray, who had been winning, went on to lose the game. He was unhappy with the loss, but was outraged that the integrity of chess could be so casually degraded.

Ray had little use for chess politics. Although occasionally drafted at U.S. Opens as an Illinois delegate, which meant having to attend USCF business meetings, he much preferred seeing the local sights or studying the tournament bulletin and preparing for the next round. He appreciated the work that chess politicians, organizers, and tournament directors put in, but had no personal interest in those aspects of the game. For Ray, as for Hamlet, the play was the thing.



One of my favorite stories about Ray involves the 1998 National Open. He and I both entered the lottery held to select the participants in a simul by former World Champion Anatoly Karpov. Ray was one of the lucky thirty. His game, a losing but hard fought effort lasting several hours, was the second last to finish. When asked by a tournament director if he wanted a bye in that night's round, Ray, though tired, said "No", assuming that his mediocre start (I recall him having either one or one and one half points after three games) would result in a fairly easy pairing. He was setting up the pieces when his opponent arrived. Ray looked up to see International Master Igor Ivanov (long known as the world's strongest IM) settling in. (Ivanov had lost a game by forfeit earlier.) The positional battle went on for nearly five hours, with the IM finally prevailing after managing to walk his King through a thicket of pawns to force and then queen a "passer". Though satisfied with his play, Ray allowed that it had "been a long day for a 61 year old". He chuckled when I said that Karpov and Ivanov had ganged up on him and that Ivanov should be grateful that Karpov had softened him up. (Ray participated in many National Opens in the 1980s and 1990s. Perhaps his most notable victory in those events was his 1999 defeat of rising young star Hikaru Nakamura, now one of America's top Grandmasters and winner of the 2005 U.S. Championship.)

During the nine months before he became incapacitated in June of 2005, Ray and I played in tournaments sponsored by the Joliet Junior College Chess Club, the McHenry Area Chess Club, and the Renaissance Knights Chess Club - more than a dozen events in all.

He enjoyed every one. Ray has been gone almost a year now. I miss him a lot: he was a good man, a good friend, and a good chess player. The Illinois

chess community lost one of its best when it lost Ray Doyle Satterlee.

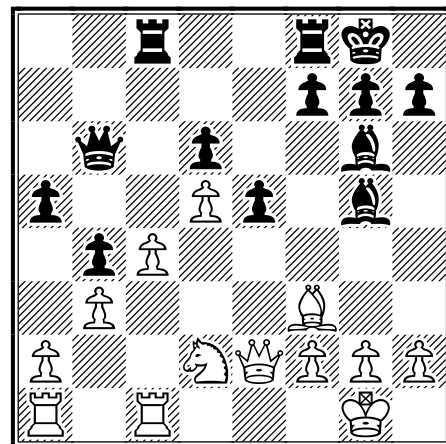
I will close by giving the game that Ray considered his most memorable: his 1985 victory over 2311 rated Marvin Dandridge (Ray's first win against a 2300+ player). The notes are Ray's.

1985 Illinois Open W: Marvin Dandridge (2311) B: Ray Doyle Satterlee (2041) Annotated by Ray Doyle Satterlee

**(1) Marvin Dandridge,2 - Ray Doyle Satterlee,2 [B92]**

1985 Illinois Open , 1985

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6** (The Najdorf Sicilian, a favorite of Robert Fischer. It frequently leads to wild, unbalanced play.**6.Be2 e5 7.Nb3 Be7 8.0-0 Be6 9.Bf3** (Putting pressure on d5, but 9.f4 is probably better.) **9..0-0 10.Be3 Nbd7 11.Qe2** (11.a4 [to prevent b5] is frequently played in this position.) **b5 12.Rfd1 Qc7 13.Rac1** 13.a3 might have been better.) **13...Nb6** (The Knight is heading for c4, but White has other ideas!) **14.Bxb6 Qxb6 15.Nd2 Rac8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5** (Black's Bishop suddenly becomes very powerful.) **18.c4 Bg5 19.Rc3 b4** (Where can the Rook go? Back home!) **20.Rcc1 a5 21.Ra1** (Battle fatigue!) **Bc2 22.Rdc1 Bg6 23.b3** (Black's Bishops now dominate the board.) Diagram



**23...e4** (If White captures the pawn he loses material.) **24.Bg4 e3 25.Nf3 exf2+ 26.Kf1 Rce8 27.Qd1 Bxc1 28.Rxc1** (The gathering storm.) **Qe3 29.Nd4 Bd3+ 30.Be2 Bxe2+ 31.Nxe2 Re4 32.c5 dxc5 33.d6 Rd8 34.Rc2 Re6 35.Qc1 Qxc1+ 36.Rxc1 Rxd6 37.Kxf2 Rd2 38.Kf3 R8d3+ 39.Ke4 f5+** (Marvin, a true sportsman, accepted defeat gracefully.) ++

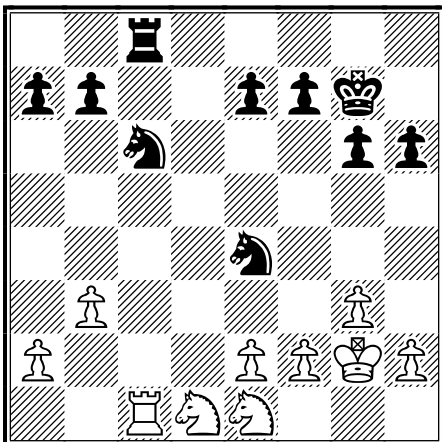
Thank you Ken Marshall for taking the time to write this great article. ICB Editor CK

## IM Young ICB Game

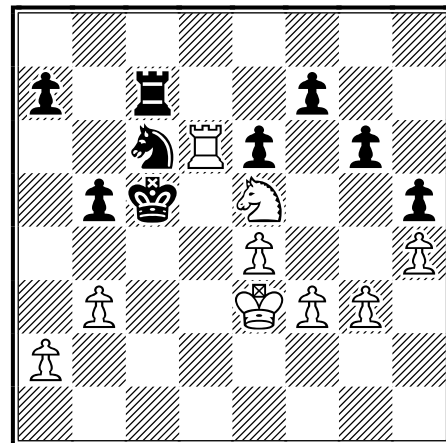
**IM Young,A (2460)**  
**NM Shivaji,S (2344)**

Midwest Amateur Team Cienfuegos, 20.02.2006  
 [&,Brent]

MY UNFORGETTABLE GAMES .This was played this year at the Midwest Amateur team championship. The game is so crucial which will decide who will get the first board honor.,last year I was also on the same situation but could not win the last game so I settled for second placer on board 1. **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2** King's Indian g3 System **5...d5 6.Nbd2** Common is Nc3 and Black can choose between d5 Grunfeld or d6 with Normal Kings Indian **6...dxc4 7.Nxc4 Be6 8.Ne3 c6 9.0-0 h6 10.b3 Qc8 11.Ba3 Re8 12.Rc1** another idea would be. [12.Re1 Bh3 13.Bh1 Qc7 14.Rc1=] **12...Bh3 13.d5 Bxg2 14.Kxg2 Qd8** I never thought on this move I only checked Rd8. [14...Qd7 15.Ne5 Qc7 16.f4 with slight edge to white] **15.dxc6 Nxc6 16.Qxd8 Raxd8** White got nothing from the opening . Now I am feeling uncomfortable , If I drew this game I have to settle to another tie break ( Both Mehmed Pasalic & Jason Duncan drew their game and GM Dimitri won his game) so it is going to be a four-way tie on first board if this game will be drawn. Jason Duncan and I both scored 4.5 points last year and Jason took the first board because of his better tiebreaks .break points. **17.Rfd1** Plus I need to win for this my team. all three boards games are still complicated in ,so I decided to continue ,there's still some hope that I could win . **17...Kf8** Here black offered a truce which I right away declined , There is no real danger to white position so there is no reason to panic and take the offer plus my opponent is short of time. **18.Bb2!** This move serve an exclaim !The Bishop on a3 serve no more purpose with the king protecting the e7 pawn ,and I am concerned about the intrusion of knight to c3 via e4. **18...Ne4 19.Bxg7+ Kxg7 20.Ne1 Rxd1 21.Nxd1 Rc8?** Diagram



This is a mistake why not control the open file with Rd8.**22.Nd3 Nd6 23.N1b2 e6?** My positional understanding this was the second mistake of black its creates hole on d6 . **24.Nc4 Nxc4 25.Rxc4 Kf8 26.Nc5 b5?** Much better. [26...b6 27.Nd7+ Kg7 (27...Ke8 28.Ne5 Ne7 29.Rxc8+ Nxc8 30.Kf3 Ne7 31.e4 h5 32.Ke3 f6=) 28.Ne5 Ne7=] **27.Rc1 Ke7 28.Nd3 Kd8 29.e4 Rc7 30.h4 h5 31.Kf1 Ne7 32.Rd1** Opss.no trade **32...Rd7 33.Ke2 Nc6 34.Rc1 Rc7 35.Ke3** Centralizing my king. **35...Kc8 36.f3** A waiting move and keeping an eye on g4 advance. **36...Ne7 37.Rd1** Again avoiding the rook trade . One of the essence of becoming a strong chess player is the ability to know when to trade or when not to trade and to know how to build up a good position. **37...Kb7 38.Rd2** Covering the c2 and gaining at least time I think from here black has less than 8 mins . but of course with time delay I am not relying too much to win on time but its has a big impact on black there will be a 75% inaccuracy if you are playing in time troubled manner. **38...Kb6 39.Ne5 Nc6 40.Rd6! Kc5** Diagram



**41.Rxc6+!** compare the other game **41...Rxc6 42.b4+** A very interesting In between move **42...Kd6 43.Nxc6 Kxc6 44.Kf4 Kd6 45.g4 f6 46.gxh5 gxh5 47.e5+!** A beautiful breakthrough, which put black on a mere of zugzwang. Compare my game with IM Tom o Donnel . **47...Ke7 48.Ke4 fxe5 49.Kxe5 1-0** Black resigns the continuation would follows... **49...Kf7 50.f4 Ke7 51.f5 exf5 52.Kxf5 Kf7 53.Kg5 Ke6 54.Kxh5 Kf5 55.Kh6 Kf6 56.h5 Kf7 57.Kg5 Kg7 58.Kf5 Kh6 59.Ke5 Kxh5 60.Kd5 Kg5 61.Kc5 Kf5 62.Kxb5 Ke5 63.Ka6 1-0**

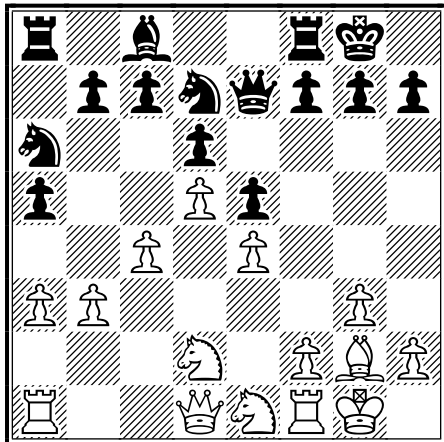
**(1) Tsyganov,I (2365) - Karagianis,P (2226)**

**[E11]**

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18.04.2006

[Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 Bb4+ 4.Bd2 Qe7 5.g3 Nc6  
6.Bg2 Bxd2+ 7.Nbxd2 d6 8.0-0 e5 9.d5 Nb8 10.e4  
a5 11.Ne1 0-0 12.b3 Na6 13.a3 Nd7? Diagram



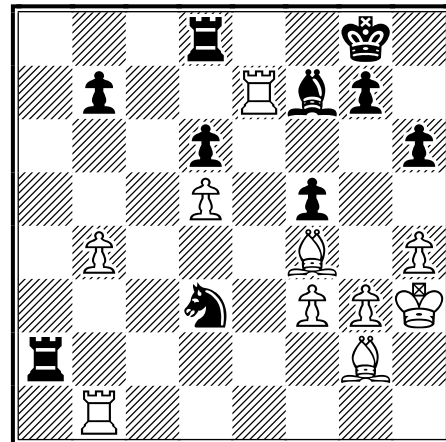
14.b4! Nb6 15.Nd3 f5 16.Re1 fxe4 17.Bxe4 Bf5  
18.Rc1 Qg5 19.Qe2 Bg4 20.f3 Bh5 21.Qe3 Qf6  
22.b5! Nb8 23.c5! N6d7 24.b6 Nxc5 [24...cxb6! is a  
better try.] 25.Nxc5 dxc5 26.bxc7 Na6 27.g4 Bf7  
28.d6! Qxd6 [28...Ra7 29.d7! Nxc7 30.Qxc5+-]  
29.Bxb7 Qxc7 30.Bxa8 Rxa8 31.Qxe5 Qd7 32.Ne4  
Re8 33.Qd6 Qa7 34.Red1 Bb3 35.Re1 Bf7 36.Kg2 h6  
37.Qc6 Re6 38.Qc8+ Re8 39.Nf6+ gxf6 40.Rxe8+  
Kg7 41.Rce1 Qb6 42.R8e7 1-0

**(2) Sorkin,I (2365) - Hernandez,G (2530)**

**[A41]**

Spring North American FIDE Shoumburg (1),  
18.04.2006 A.Chow]

1.d4 d6 2.c4 e5! 3.Nf3 e4 4.Ng5 f5 5.g3 c6 6.Nc3 Be7  
It is not clear what the name of this opening system is  
called, but black begins to gain tempi against white's  
king's knight, and a more harmonious development  
thanks to his space in the center. 7.h4 Nf6 8.Bg2 Na6  
9.0-0 0-0 10.Rb1 h6 11.Nh3 Be6 12.d5 Bf7 13.f3  
cxd5 14.cxd5 Qb6+! 15.Kh2 Rac8! Threatening  
16...Rxc3. 16.Qd2 exf3 17.exf3 Nh5! 18.Qd3 Bg6  
19.Nf4 Nc5 20.Qb5 Qxb5 21.Nxb5 Be8! 22.Nxa7 Ra8  
23.Nxh5 Rxa7 24.Re1 Bxh5 25.Rxe7 Rxa2 26.Bf4  
Rd8 27.Kh3 Bf7! By now it is clear the bishop g2 is  
very bad and cannot play. 28.b4 Nd3 GM Hernandez  
plays this stage of the game with accurate execution.  
Diagram



**29.Be3?**

[29.Rxb7! Bxd5 30.Rb5 was the best counterplay. The  
time control was only G/90 min, and despite a 30 sec-  
ond increment each move, most games were under  
heavy influence of time pressure.] 29...Bxd5 30.Bd4  
Kf8! 31.Rxg7 Re8! 32.Bf1 Bxf3! 33.Bxd3 Rd2!  
34.Rb2 Rxb2 In view of 35. Bxb2 Re1! 36.g4 f4 ! fol-  
lowed by Rh1 mate, white resigned. 0-1

**(3) Gopal,M (1858) - Len,W (2200) [B02]**

Game 60 Joliet (4), 21.05.2006

[AC]

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.c4 Nb6 4.c5 Nd5 5.Nc3 Nxc3  
6.dxc3 d6 7.Qb3 dxe5 8.Bg5 Qd7 9.Rd1 Qf5 10.Bc4  
Nc6 11.Bd5 h6 12.Qb5 draw agreed. 12...Qg6!  
13.Bh4 [13.Nf3!? a6! 14.Qa4 Bd7 15.Be3 e6 16.Be4!  
Qf6 (16...f5 17.Rxd7! fxe4 18.Nxe5 Qxg2 19.Rf1+-)  
17.Rxd7! Kxd7 18.0-0©] 13...a6 14.Qb3 Qf5 15.Nf3  
g5 16.Bg3 Bg7 17.0-0© ½-½

**(4) Smetankin,S (2485) - Shulman,Y (2581)**

**[C05]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (1),  
18.04.2006

[A.Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.c3 c5 6.Bd3  
Nc6 7.Ngf3 Counterplay in the Tarrasch French.  
7...a5!? 8.a3 a4 9.Nf1 Qa5 10.Qd2 b6! 11.Ng3 cxd4  
12.cxd4 Nb4!? 13.Bb1 Ba6 14.Kd1!? Nc6 15.Qf4 h6  
16.Bd2 Qb5 17.Bc3 Na5 18.Bc2 Rc8 19.Nd2 Be7  
20.Qe3 Nc4 21.Nxc4 Qxc4 22.Nh5 g6 23.Nf4 Bg5  
24.h4 Bxf4 25.Qxf4 Nc5! 26.Qe3 Nb3 27.Bxb3  
[27.Rb1 risky ?! ] 27...Qxb3+ 28.Ke1 Qc2 29.Rc1 Qd3  
Draw agreed due to opposite color bishops. ½-½

**(5) Mitkov,N (2552) - Finegold,B (2563)**

**[C49]**

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18.04.2006 *A.Chow*

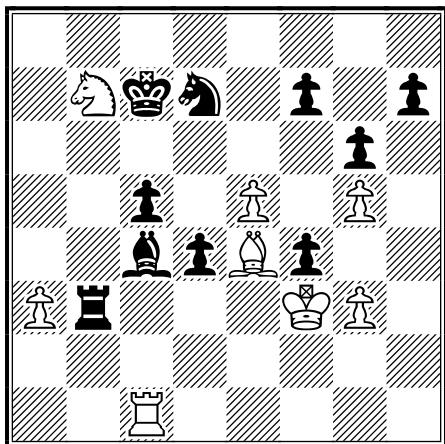
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Bb5 Bb4 5.0-0 0-0  
6.Bxc6 bxc6 7.Nxe5 Bxc3 8.dxc3 Nxe4 Equality in  
the Four Knights game. 9.Qf3 f5 10.Be3 Qe8 11.Nd3  
d6 12.Rfe1 Qf7 13.b3 c5 14.c4 Bb7 15.Qh3 Bc8  
16.Qf3 Bb7 17.Qh3 Bc8 18.Qf3 Bb7 19.Qh3 Bc8  
20.Qf3 Bb7 21.Qh3 Drawn due to repetition. ½-½

**(6) Goletiani,R (2378) - Bereolos,P (2307)**

**[E94]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (1),  
18.04.2006 *A.Chow*

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.d4 0-0 6.Be2  
e5 7.0-0 Na6 8.Re1 c6 9.Bf1 exd4 10.Nxd4 Ng4  
11.h3 Qb6 12.hxg4 Qxd4 13.Qe2 Qe5 14.Bd2 Qe7  
15.Rad1 Qh4 16.Bf4 Be5 17.Bxe5 dxe5 18.f3 Nc5  
19.Qe3 Ne6 20.Ne2 Qe7 21.g3 a5 22.Bg2 Qc5  
23.Qxc5 Nxc5 24.Nc3 Be6 25.Bf1 Rfd8 26.Kf2 Rd4!?  
[Black has good positional moves like 26...f6 followed  
by Kf7, Ke7, Rxd1, and Rd8, to go for a draw.]  
27.Rxd4 exd4 28.Nb1 Nd7 29.e5 a4 30.Nd2 Ra6  
31.Bd3 Rb6 32.b3 axb3 [32...Nc5 was good.] 33.Nxb3  
c5 34.Re2 Rb4 35.Na5 Kf8 36.g5 Ke8 37.f4 Kd8  
38.a3 Rb6 39.Be4 Kc7 40.Rc2 Rb1 41.Ra2 Rb6  
42.Kf3 Ra6 43.Nxb7 Bxc4 44.Ra1 Rb6 45.Rc1 Rb3+  
Diagram



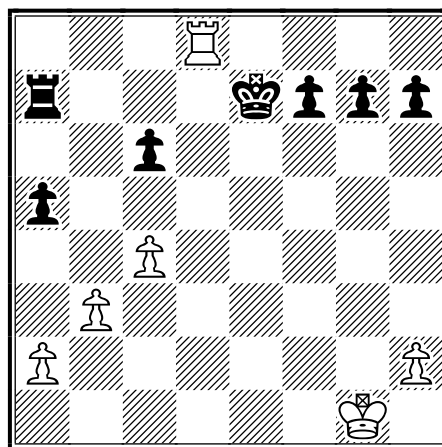
46.Kf2 Rc3? [46...Rb2+! seems better for black:  
47.Kg1 (47.Kf3? Be2+—) 47...d3! 48.Rxc4 d2 49.Bf3  
Rxb7—] 47.Rxc3 dxc3 48.Ke3 Weakness in the black  
pawn structure is exploited in the endgame. 48...Ba6  
49.Nd6 Nb6 50.Bd3 Nd5+ 51.Ke4 c4 52.Bc2 Ne7  
53.Kd4 Nc6+ 54.Kxc3 Nd8 55.Be4 Kb6 56.Nxc4+  
Kc5 57.Nd6 Be2 58.Bc2 Bg4 59.Ne4+ Kb5 60.Nf6  
Be6 61.Nxh7 Black resigned the losing endgame. 1-0

**(7) Margvelashvili,G (2441) - Krush,I (2437)**

**[A09]**

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18.04.2006 *A.Chow*

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 d4 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 e5 5.d3 Nf6 6.0-0  
a5 7.e3 dxe3 8.Bxe3 Be7 9.Nc3 0-0 10.d4 exd4  
11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Qxd4 c6 13.Qf4 Bd6 14.Qh4 Ng4  
15.Qxd8 Rxd8 16.Bb6 Re8 17.Rad1 Bf8 18.Ne4 Ne5!  
19.b3 Bg4! 20.f3 Nxf3+! 21.Bxf3 Bxf3 22.Rxf3 Rxe4  
23.Rd7 Re7! 24.Rxe7 Bxe7 25.Rd3 Kf8 26.Rd7 Rb8  
27.Ba7 Ra8 28.Bb6 Rb8 29.Ba7 Ra8 At this event  
players favored repeating moves since the time control  
gave 30 additional seconds added for each move!  
30.Rxb7 Rxa7! 31.Rb8+ [31.Rxa7?? Bc5+—+]  
31...Bd8 32.Rxd8+ Ke7= Diagram



33.Rg8 Rd7? [33...g6! was solid. Holding an equal  
rook ending should be a matter of good technique.]  
34.Rxg7 Rd1+ [34...Rd2!? 35.Rxh7 Rxa2 would re-  
strict white's king.] 35.Kg2 Rd2+ 36.Kh3 Rxa2  
37.Rxh7 Ra3 38.Rh5!± Kf6 39.Kg4 Kg6 40.Rg5+ Kh6  
41.Rc5 Kg7 42.Kg5 Rxb3 43.Rxa5 Re3 44.Rc5 Re6  
45.h4 Kh7 46.h5 Kg7 47.g4 f6+ 48.Kf5 Rd6 49.Ra5  
Rd4 50.Ra7+ Kg8 51.h6 Rxc4 52.g5! Rd4 53.Kxf6  
Rd6+ 54.Kf5 Rd5+ 55.Kg6 Rd6+ 56.Kh5 Rd1 57.h7+  
Kh8 58.Kh6 Black can not prevent checkmate, and  
resigned. 1-0

**(8) Gurevich,D (2503) - Golod,V (2557)**

**[D20]**

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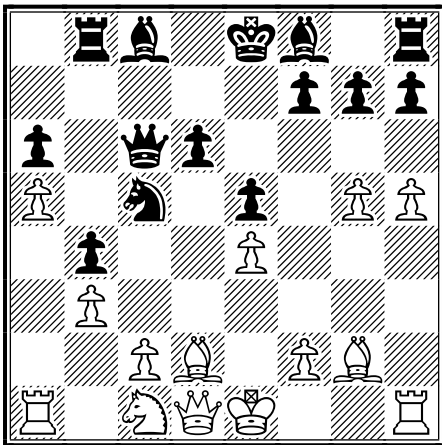
1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e4 e5 4.Nf3 Bb4+ 5.Bd2 Bxd2+  
6.Qxd2 exd4 7.Qxd4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 Nf6 9.f3 Be6  
10.Na3!? [10.Nxe6 fxe6 11.Bxc4 e5 is about equal.]  
10...c3 11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.bxc3 Nbd7 13.Nb5 Ke7  
14.Be2 Rhd8 15.Rb1 Nc5 16.Nd4 g6 17.Rb5 Nfd7  
18.Kf2 e5 19.Nc2 c6 20.Ra5 b6 21.Ra3 a5 22.c4 Nf8  
23.Rb1 Rab8 24.Ne1 Nfe6 25.Nd3 Nxd3+ 26.Rxd3  
Rxd3 27.Bxd3 Kd6 28.Ke3 Kc5 29.h4 Nf4 30.g3  
Nxd3 31.Kxd3 Rd8+ 32.Ke3 Rd4 33.f4 exf4+ 34.gxf4

Rxc4 35.e5 Rc3+ 36.Ke4 Rc2 37.Rd1 b5 38.Kf3 Rc3+ 39.Ke4 Rc4+ 40.Kf3 Rc3+ 41.Ke4 Rc4+ In order to prevent the e pawn from queening, black made a draw by perpetual check. 1/2-1/2

**(9) Krivensev,S (2449) - Smetankin,S (2485) [B81]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (2), 18.04.2006 A.Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e6 7.g4 Nc6 8.g5 Nd7 9.h4 Qc7 10.h5 b5 11.Nxc6 Qxc6 12.Bg2 Ne5 13.a4 b4 14.Ne2 Nc4 15.Bc1 e5 16.b3 Nb6 17.a5 Nd7 18.Bd2 Rb8 19.Nc1 Nc5 Diagram



20.Na2 Nxe4 21.Nxb4 Rxb4!?! [21...Qa8 22.Rh4! Bb7 23.Nxa6! is too good for white.] 22.Bxb4 d5 23.Bd2 [23.Bxf8! Qc3+ 24.Kf1 Rxf8 25.Bxe4 dxe4 26.Ra4! was better for white.] 23...Be7 24.Bxe4 dxe4 25.Be3 0-0 26.c4 Be6 27.Rg1? [27.0-0!? is white's king safe if not castled ?] 27...Rd8 28.Qc2 Bb4+ 29.Kf1 Bh3+ 30.Ke2 Rd3! 31.Ra4 Bc3 32.Rg3 Qd7! 33.f3 exf3+ 34.Kf2 [34.Rxf3 Bg4-+] 34...Rxe3! 35.Kxe3 Qd4+ 36.Kxf3 Qf4+ 37.Ke2 Qxg3 38.Qe4 Bg4+ 39.Kf1 Bf3 White resigned. Line

**(10) Gurevich,D (2503) - Almeida,A (2369) [D45]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (2), 18.04.2006 A.Chow]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.Qc2 Bd6 7.b3 0-0 8.Be2 b6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Bb2 Rc8 11.Rac1 Qe7 12.Rfd1 Rfd8 QGD Semi Slav Meran variants are complex and full of tension. 13.h3 a6 14.e4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf4 16.Ra1 c5 17.Bd3! Bb8 18.Re1 cxd4 19.Bxd4 Nh5 20.Neg5! h6 21.Bh7+! Kf8 22.Be4! Ndf6 23.Nh7+! Nxb7 24.Bxb7 Ng5 25.Nxg5! Qxb7 26.Nf3 Nf4 27.Qe4! Qxe4 28.Rxe4 Bc7 29.Bxb6! Nxb3+ 30.gxh3 Bxb6 31.b4! Rd3 32.Kg2 Ra3 33.c5 Bd8 34.Ne5 Bf6 35.Nd7+ Ke7 36.Nxf6

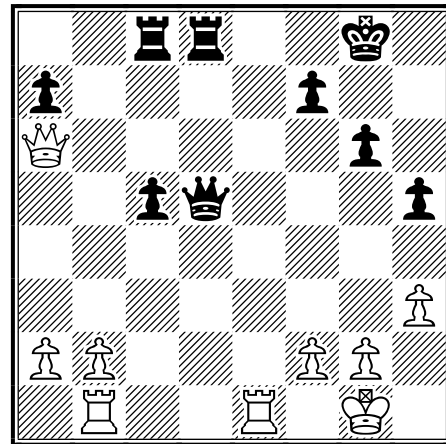
gxf6 37.Re3 Rxe3 38.fxe3 Rd8 39.a4 Rd2+ 40.Kf3 Rc2 [40...Rb2 41.b5 axb5 42.a5!] 41.Rb1 Black may have lost on time. It is not yet lost or resignable. Line

**(11) Golod,V (2557) - Bereolos,P (2307) [A70]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (2), 18.04.2006

[A.Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.h3 Bg7 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Nf3 b5!?! 10.Bxb5 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 Qa5+ 12.Nfd2 Qxb5 13.Nxd6 Qa6 14.N2c4 Nd7 15.0-0 Ne5 16.Nxe5 Bxe5 17.Nxc8 Raxc8 Gambit compensation in the Benoni. 18.Re1 Qf6 19.Qg4 h5 20.Qc4 Rfd8 [20...Bxb2 21.Bxb2 Qxb2 22.Rab1 white has some initiative.] 21.Rb1 Bd4 22.Be3 Qe5 23.Bxd4 Qxd4 24.Qa6 Qxd5 Diagram



25.Re7! Rc6? [25...Qf5! 26.Rbe1 Rd2!= active counterplay.] 26.Qxa7 Rf6 27.Rbe1 Qd4 28.R7e2 Kg7 29.Qa3 Rdd6 30.Qe3 Qc4 31.b3 Qb5 32.Qc1 Qb4 33.Rd1 Qf4 34.Rc2 Rxd1+ 35.Qxd1 Rd6 36.Qe1 Re6 37.Re2 Rxe2 38.Qxe2 Qc1+ 39.Kh2 Qf4+ 40.g3 Qd4 41.h4 Kf8 42.Qe3 Qd5 43.a4 Kg8 44.Kg1 Qd1+ 45.Kg2 Qd5+ 46.Qf3 Qe6 47.Qb7 g5 48.a5 gxh4 49.a6 h3+ 50.Kh2 h4 51.Qb8+ Kh7 52.a7 Qf5 53.a8Q Qxf2+ 54.Kxh3 Qf5+ 55.Kh2 Qf2+ 56.Qg2 hxg3+ 57.Qb3 black resigned. 1-0

**(12) Hernandez,G - Tsyganov,I [B30]**

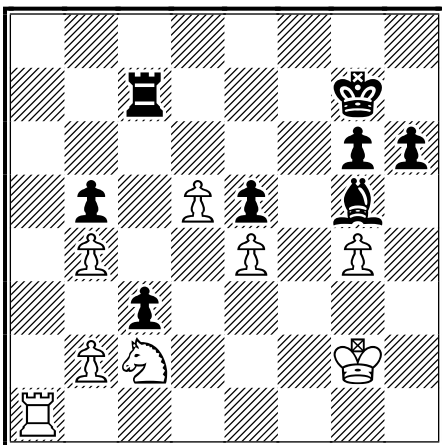
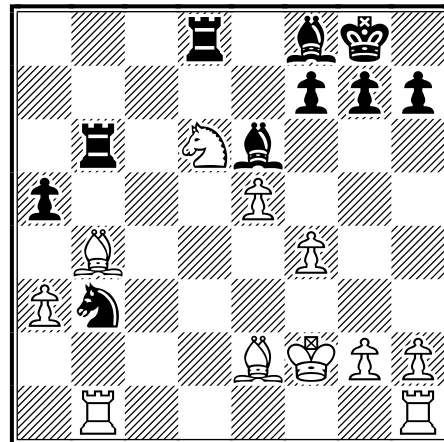
Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (2), 18.06.2006 A.Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 e6 4.Bxc6 bxc6 5.d3 Ne7 6.Qe2 Ng6 7.h4 h5 8.e5 f6 9.Qe4 Kf7 10.Rh3 d5 11.exd6 Bxd6 12.Nc3 e5 13.Rh1 Ne7 14.Bd2 Rb8 15.b3 Nf5? 16.Qxc6 Nd4 [16...Bb7!?! 17.Qa4 Bxf3 18.gxf3 Nd4 may be better.] 17.Nxd4 cxd4 18.Ne4 Be7 19.Qa4 Qb6 20.f4 exf4 21.Bxf4 Bg4? [21...Rb7 is better.] 22.Bxb8 Rxb8 23.Rf1 Rc8 24.Kf2 Rxc2+ 25.Kg1 Kg6?? 26.Qe8+ lost a bishop, so black resigned. 1-0

**(13) Pasalic, M (2363) - Vishnuvardham, A (2205) [B90]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (2),  
18.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a4 e5 7.Nf3 h6 8.Bc4 Be6 9.Bb3! Nbd7 10.Be3 Be7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe2 Qc7 13.Rfd1 Rac8 14.Nh4! Rfd8 15.Nf5 Bf8 16.Qf3 Qc6 Pasalic has done a good job of containing the Najdorf activity. 17.Rd3! Bxb3 18.cxb3 Nc5 19.Bxc5! dxc5 20.Nd5! Nxd5 21.exd5 Qd7 22.Qe4 g6 23.Ne3 b5 24.g4! Bd6 25.Kh1 Kh7 26.h4 Qe7 27.h5 Qf6 28.Kg2 Qf4 29.f3 Rd7 30.axb5 axb5 31.Ra6 Kg7 32.Rd1 Qxe4 33.fxe4 Be7 34.hxg6 fxg6 35.Rda1 Bg5 36.Ra7 Rcc7 37.Rxc7 Rxc7 38.Nc2 c4 39.b4 c3 Diagram



40.d6 Rd7 41.bxc3 Rxd6 42.Ra7+ Kf6 43.Na3! Rd2+ 44.Kf1 Rd1+ 45.Ke2 Rd2+ 46.Ke1 Ra2? [46...Rg2! seems like good counterplay.] 47.Nxb5 Bd2+ 48.Ke2 Rxa7 49.Nxa7 Bxc3 50.b5 Bd4 51.Nc8! Ke6 52.b6 Kd7 53.b7 Kc7 54.Ne7! h5? [54...Kxb7 55.Nxg6 Bb2 was a better defence.] 55.g5! Bb2 56.Nxg6 Bc1 57.Nf8! Ba3 58.Ne6+ Kxb7 59.g6 the g pawn queens, so black resigned. 1-0

**(14) Schulman, Y (2581) - Mitkov, N (2552) [E46]**

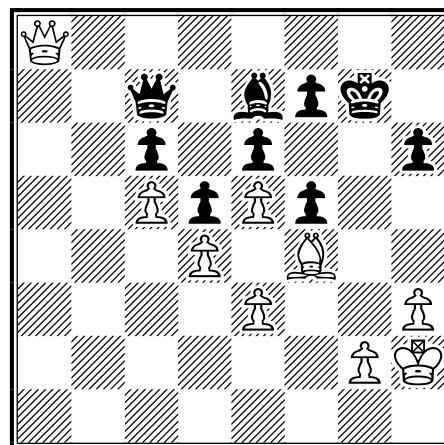
Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (2),  
18.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Nge2 Re8 [5...d5 is the main line.] 6.a3 Bf8 7.e4 d5 8.e5 Nfd7 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Be3 c5 11.f4 Nb6? [11...cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nb6 may defend.] 12.dxc5! Nc4 13.Bf2 Nxb2 14.Qd2 Nc4 15.Qxd5 Na5 16.Nd4! Nbc6 17.Nxc6 Nxc6 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 A very solid Grandmaster, Yury Schulman is not the guy you want to be down a pawn against. 19.Nb5! b6 20.Nd6! [20.cxb6 Nb4! may give counterplay.] 20...bxc5 21.Bxc5 Na5 22.Rb1 Be6 23.Ba6 Nb3 24.Bb4 Rab8 25.Kf2! Rb6 26.Be2 a5 Diagram

27.Bxa5! Rbxd6 28.Rxb3! Bxb3 29.exd6 Rxd6 30.Rb1! Ba4 31.Rb8! Re6 32.Bb4 Re8 33.Rxe8 Bxe8 Shulman demonstrates clear cut winning technique in the endgame. 34.Ke3 g6 35.Bxf8 Kxf8 36.Kd4 Bc6 37.Bf3 Bd7 38.Kc5 Ke7 39.Bc6 Bc8 40.a4 Kd8 41.Kb6 Bf5 42.a5 Bd3 43.Bb5 Be4 44.a6 Bxg2 45.a7 followed by 46. Bc6 queening, so black resigned. 1-0

**(15) Finegold, B (2563) - Zotonskih, A (2433) [D91]** Spring North American

1.d4 d5 2.Bg5!? c6 3.e3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 0-0 7.Be2 h6 8.Bh4 Qb6 9.Qc1 Be6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Nd2 Rfc8 12.c5! Qd8 13.b4 Bf5 14.f4 Bg4 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Be2 Bg4 17.Bd3 Bf5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Rb1 b6 20.Rf3 a5 21.a3 axb4 22.axb4 Rcb8 23.Rf1 Qc7 24.Qc2 e6 25.Nf3 bxc5 26.bxc5 Ng4 27.Qd2 Rxb1 28.Rxb1 Rb8 29.Rxb8+ Qxb8 30.h3 Ngf6 31.Ne5 Nxe5 32.fxe5 Nd7 [32...Ne4 seems good.] 33.Ne2 Nf8 34.Nf4 Ng6 35.Bg3 Nxf4 36.Bxf4 Kh7 37.Kh2 Bf8 38.Qd3! Kg7 39.Qa6! Qc7 [39...Qe8!? may hold.] 40.Qa8! Be7



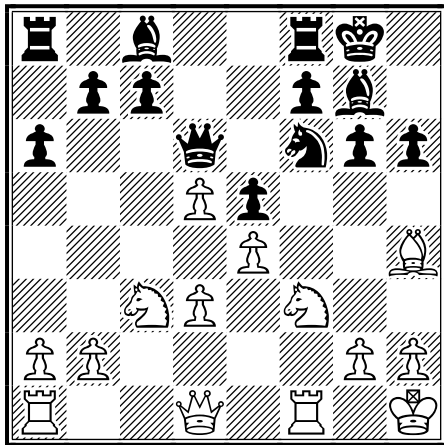


41.Bxh6+! Kxh6 42.Qh8+ Kg6 43.Qg8+ Kh6 44.Qh8+ Kg6 45.Qg8+ Kh6 46.Qxf7!! Qd7?? [46...Bd8! 47.Qxe6+ Kg7 48.Qxf5 Qf7 and black could go on defending.] 47.h4! f4 48.h5 and 49.Qg6 checkmate. 1-0

**(16) Lawson,E (2383) - Gurevich,D (2503)**

**[B09]**Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (3), 19.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.0-0 e5 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.d5 Nb4 Other knight moves may be better in this Austrian attack Pirc, for example: [9...Ne7; 9...Nd4] 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 Qd6 12.Kh1 Nxd3 13.cxd3!? a6 Diagram

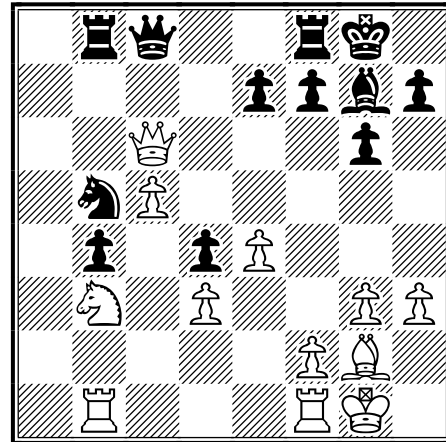


14.Nxe5! Qxe5?? [14...Nxe4! 15.Nxe4 (15.dxe4 Bxe5) 15...Qxe5 Black looks solid.] 15.d4 Qe7 16.e5 g5 17.d6! Qe6 18.exf6 gxh4 19.fxg7 Re8 20.Re1 Behind in material and position, black resigned early. 1-0

**(17) Smetankin,S (2485) - Margvelashvili,G (2441) [A34]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (3), 19.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 c5 3.e4 d6 4.Nge2 Nc6 5.d3 g6 6.g3 Bg7 7.Bg2 Bd7 8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 Rb8 The Botvinnik system in the English opening. 10.a4 Ne8 11.Be3 Nd4 12.Rb1 Nc7 13.b4 b6 14.Bxd4 [14.f4 is normal, white generally would try not to exchange his dark squared bishop.] 14...cxd4 15.Nb5 Bxb5 16.axb5 a6! 17.bxa6 Nxa6 18.Qa4 Nc7 19.Qc6 b5 20.c5 dxc5 21.bxc5 b4 22.Nc1 [22.Qa4! targets the weak b pawn.] 22...Qc8! 23.Nb3 Nb5!

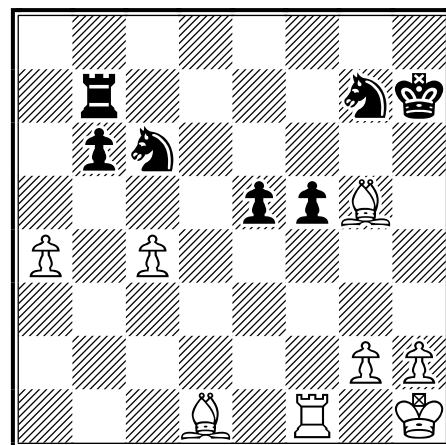


24.Na5? [24.Qxc8 Rfxc8 25.Ra1 offers decent drawing chances.] 24...Nc3!µ 25.Rb3 Rb5! 26.Qxc8 Rxc8 27.Nc4 Rxc5 28.Ra1 Rb8 29.Ra7? Ne2+ and Nc1 wins, so white resigned. 0-1

**(18) Mikhalevsky,V (2570) - Finegold,B (2563) [E97]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (3), 19.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.b4 a5 10.Ba3 axb4 11.Bxb4 b6 12.a4 Ne8 13.Nb5 f5 14.Nd2 Kh8 Strong players debate Classical King's Indian theory. 15.Bc3 c6 16.dxc6 Nxc6 17.exf5 gxf5 [17...Bxf5!? looks active.] 18.f4 Bb7 19.Nf3 Qe7 20.Ra2 Rg8 21.Qe1 Bf6 22.Bd1 Ng7 23.Rd2 Rad8 24.Kh1 Rge8 All these positional ideas are difficult to argue with variations. But suddenly GM Mikhalevsky seizes the initiative in direct fashion. 25.Ng5! h6? [25...Bxg5! 26.fxg5 Na5 27.Qh4 is more solid but still good for white.] 26.Qh4! Bxg5 27.fxg5 Qxg5 28.Qxg5 hxg5 29.Nxd6 Re7 30.Nxb7 Rxd2 31.Bxd2 Rxb7 32.Bxg5 Kh7± Diagram



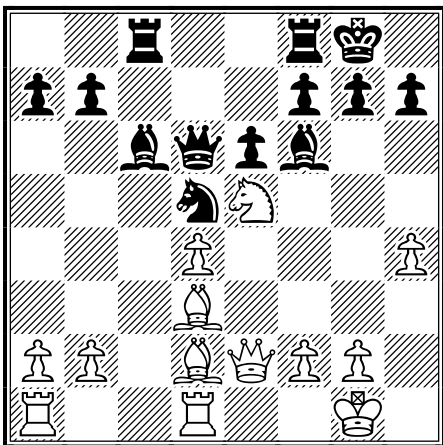
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33.g4 Kg6 34.h4 Nd4 35.Be3 fxc4 36.Bxc4 Rc7 37.Bg5 Ngf5 38.Rb1 Rxc4 39.Rxb6+ Kh7 40.a5 Ng3+ 41.Kg2 Ne4 42.a6 Ra4 43.Rb7+ Kg6 44.Rb6+ Kg7 45.Be6 Nc5 46.Bf6+ Kg6 47.Bc8 Ra2+ 48.Kh3 Na4 49.Rd6 Nb5 50.Re6 Nd4 51.a7 Nc5 52.Ra6! Nxa6 53.a8Q Nb4 54.Qb7 Kxf6 55.Qxb4 Re2 56.Qd6+ Kf7 57.Kg4 Re4+ 58.Kh5 Rf4 59.Bg4 Rf6 60.Qc7+ Kf8 61.Qxe5 black resigned. 1-0

### (19) Zatonkih,A (2433) - Shulman,Y (2581) [B22]

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (3), 19.04.2006[A.Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.Nf3 e6 5.d4 cxd4 6.cxd4 d6 7.Bc4 Nc6 8.0-0 Be7 9.Qe2 0-0 Sicilian players want winning chances, but must also prove Black can equalize in the popular 2.c3 system. 10.Rd1 Bd7 [10...Na5!?] 11.Bd2 Qb6 12.Nc3! Nxc3 13.Bxc3 Nb4 14.exd6! Qxd6 15.Ne5 Nd5 16.Bd2! Bf6 17.Bd3 Rac8 18.h4! Bc6 Diagram



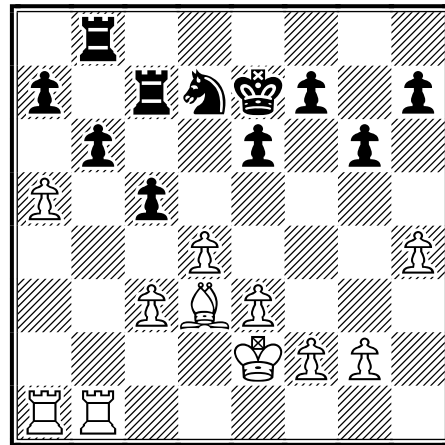
19.Bg5 Bxc3? [19...g6 is solid.] 20.hxc3 Nf4 21.Qg4 Nxd3 22.Rxd3 Bd5 Pressure down the h file combined with a strong knight prove more than the defence can cope with. 23.Rh3! Qe7 24.Qh5 h6 [24...Be4 25.g6! h6 26.gxf7+ is winning for white.] 25.gxh6 g6 26.h7+ Kh8 27.Qxg6!+- f6 28.Nd3 Bc4 29.Nf4 e5 30.Qe4 Bf7 31.Re1 Rc4 32.b3 Rb4 33.Nd3! Rb5 34.dxe5 Bd5 35.Qd4 Be6 36.Nf4 Bf5 37.Rhe3 Bxh7 38.e6 Rd8 39.Qb2 Rg5 40.Rf3 Rdg8 41.g3 Rd8 42.Ng2 Kg7 43.Rfe3 Rgd5 44.Qe2 Rg5 45.Rd1 Rxd1+ 46.Qxd1 Rc5 47.Nf4 Bf5 48.Qd4 Rc1+ 49.Kg2 Kf8 50.Nd5 Bh3+ and black resigned without waiting for white's reply. 1-0

### (20) Shulman,Y (2581) - Mikhalevski,V (2570) [D80]

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (4), 19.04.2006

[A.Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Ne4 5.Bh4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 dxc4 7.e3 Be6 A Grunfeld defence with the flavor of a Queen's Gambit Accepted. 8.Qb1 b6 9.Nh3!? Bh6 [9...Bxh3 10.gxh3 was the best test.] 10.Bg5 Bxc3 11.Nxc3 Qd5 12.Nxe6 Qxe6 13.Qb5+ c6 14.Qxc4 Qxc4 15.Bxc4 Nd7 Not easy to win against a Grandmaster. 16.a4 Rc8 17.Ke2 e6 18.h4 Ke7 19.Rhb1 Rc7 20.Bd3 c5 21.a5 Rb8 Diagram



22.axb6 Rxb6 23.Rxb6 Nxb6 [23...axb6! is solid.] 24.dxc5 Nd7 25.c6 Nc5 26.Bb5 Ne4 27.Ra3 Kd6 28.f3 Kc5 29.Ba4 Nd6 30.Rb3 a6 31.Kd3 Rc8 32.c4 f5 33.Rc3 e5 34.Rc1 e4+ 35.Kc3 h5 36.f4 Rb8 37.Bb3 Kxc6 38.Rd1 Nb7 39.Ba4+ Kb6 40.Rd7 Nc5 41.Rd6+ Ka5 42.Bc2 Rb6 43.Rd1 Rc6 44.Rb1 Rd6 45.Rb8 Rd7 46.Rg8 Rd6 47.Rb8 Nd7 48.Rb7 Nc5 49.Rb8 Neither side is making any progress, so a draw agreed. 1/2-1/2

### (21) Friedel,J (2455) - Smetankin,S (2485) [B82]

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (4), 19.04.2006

[A.Chow]

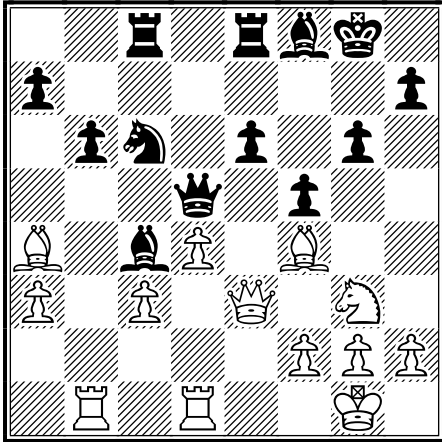
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.f4 e6 7.a4 Qc7 8.Bd3 Be7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Nf3 Nc6 11.Qe1 Nd7 12.Qg3 Nb4 13.f5 Re8 Now white decides to indulge in a little " Caveman attack. " and ends up dead as a dinosaur. 14.e5? [14.fxe6 fxe6 15.Bf4 is solid.] 14...dxe5 15.Bh6 Bf8 16.f6 Nxf6 17.Ng5? Nxd3 18.Rxf6 Nf4! 19.Qh4 [19.Rxf7 Qxc3!-+] 19...gxh6 20.Nxf7 Bg7 21.Ne4 Qxc2 22.Rxf4 exf4 23.Nxh6+ Bxh6 24.Nf6+ Kf7 25.Nxe8 Qc5+ 26.Kh1 Qg5 the attack is over, white resigned down a piece. 0-1

**(22) Gurevich,D (2503) - Scekic,M (2395)**

**[E48]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (4),  
19.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Bd3 c5  
6.Nge2 d5 7.cxd5 cxd4 8.exd4 Nxd5 9.0-0 Nc6  
10.a3 Be7 11.Bc2 Nxc3 12.bxc3 b6 13.Qd3 g6  
14.Rd1 Bb7 15.Bh6 Re8 16.Qg3 Bf8 17.Bg5 Qd6  
18.Bf4 Qd5 19.Rab1 Ba6 20.Qe3 Rac8 21.Ng3 f5  
22.Ba4 Bc4 Diagram



23.Be5! b5?? [23...h6 is solid.] 24.Nh5!+- bxa4  
[24...gxh5 25.Qg5+ Kf7 26.Qf6+ Kg8 27.Qh8+ Kf7  
28.Qxh7+ Bg7 29.Qxg7#] 25.Nf6+ Kf7 26.Nxd5 exd5  
27.Rb7+ Kg8 28.Qg5 Re6 29.h4 Bb3 30.Rd3 h6  
31.Qf4 Nxe5 32.dxe5 Bg7 33.h5 Rc4 34.Rd4 Rxc3  
35.hxg6 Rxc3 36.Qxf5 Rc1+ 37.Kh2 Bc2 38.Qc8+  
Kh7 39.Rg4 black resigned. 1-0

**(23) Bereolos,P (2307) - Kopec,D (2362)**

**[D25]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (5),  
20.04.2006 A.Chow]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 a6 5.Bxc4 b5 6.Bd3  
Bb7 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.a4 b4 9.a5 e6 10.Qe2 c5 11.Rd1  
Qc7 12.Nbd2 Be7 13.e4 cxd4 14.e5 Nd5 15.Nb3 Nc5  
16.Nxc5 Bxc5 17.Bd2 h6 18.Rdc1 Qe7 19.Bb5+! Kf8  
20.Bd3 g5? [20...g6 was much better pawn protec-  
tion of black king.] 21.Rc4 Kg7 22.Nxd4 Rad8  
23.Nb3 Ba7 24.h4! gxh4 25.Qh5 f5 26.Rxh4 f4  
27.Bxf4 Qxh4 28.Qxh4 Rdf8 29.Bxh6+ Kf7 30.Qh5+  
Ke7 31.Bxf8+ Rxf8 32.Qg5+ black resigned. 1-0

**(24) Hess,R (2328) - Karagianis,P (2226)**

**[C70]**

Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (5),  
20.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 f5 5.d4 exd4 6.e5  
Bc5 7.0-0 Nge7 8.Bb3 d5 9.exd6 Qxd6 Black is up a  
gambit pawn but can not castle, and that gives white  
good chances. 10.Ng5 Rf8 11.Nxh7 Rh8 12.Qh5+  
Kd8 13.Bg5 Bd7 14.Qf7 Qe5 15.f4 d3+ 16.Kh1 Qxb2  
17.Nd2 dxc2 18.Rac1 Qd4 19.Nf3 Be8 20.Qxf5! g6  
21.Qxc2 Instead of playing 21...Qb4, black resigned a  
bit early. 1-0

**(25) Krush,I (2437) - Shulman,Y (2581)**

**[D31]** Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (6),  
20.04.2006

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.e4 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Bb4+  
6.Bd2 Qxd4 7.Bxb4 Qxe4+ 8.Be2 Na6 9.Ba5 b6  
10.Qd6 Bd7 11.Bc3 f6 12.Nf3 0-0-0 13.Nd2 Qxg2  
14.Bf3 Qh3 15.Qa3 Kb7 16.Rg1 Qf5 17.b4 Nh6 18.0-  
0-0 g5 19.Bh1 Qf4 20.Kb2 e5 21.Ne4 Bf5 22.b5 Nc7  
23.bxc6+ Kb8 24.Nxf6 Qxc4 25.Ka1 Nf7 26.Bb2 Qa6  
27.Qxa6 Nxa6 28.Bd5 Nb4 29.Bc3 Nxd5 30.Nxd5  
Rd6 31.c7+ Kb7 32.Ne7 Rxd1+ 33.Rxd1 Be6 34.Rc1  
Re8 35.Bb4 a5 36.Ba3 b5 37.Nc6 Kxc7 38.Nxa5+  
Kb6 39.Bb4 Rc8 40.Rxc8 Bxc8 41.Nb3 Kc6 42.Kb2  
g4 43.Bd2 Nd6 44.Bh6 Kd5 45.Nd2 Kd4 46.a3 Kd3  
47.Kc1 Ke2 48.Bg7 Nf7 49.Ne4 Kf3 50.Nc5 Bf5  
51.Nb3 Kxf2 white resigned. 0-1

**(26) Gurevich,D (2503) - Bereolos,P (2307)**

**[E94]** Spring North American FIDE Shaumburg (6),  
20.04.2006 [A.Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2  
e5 7.0-0 Na6 8.Re1 c6 9.Bf1 exd4 10.Nxd4 Ng4  
11.h3 Qb6 12.hxg4 Qxd4 13.g5 Qxd1 14.Rxd1 Be5  
15.Be3 Nc5 16.Rac1 a5 17.b3 f6 18.gxf6 Rxf6 19.f3  
Be6 This Moroczy bind structure favors white due to  
the weakness of d6. 20.Ne2 Bf7 21.f4 Bb2 22.Bxc5  
Bxc1?! [22...dxc5 23.Rc2 Bd4+! 24.Kh2 White gains a  
better pawn structure.] 23.Bd4! Rxf4 24.Rxc1 Rxe4 A  
dark square bishop plus knight combine better than  
rook plus two pawns. 25.Bb2 Rae8 26.Rc2 Be6  
27.Rd2 Bg4 28.Nd4 Rf8 29.Nc2 Re6 30.Bd4 a4  
31.Bf2 axb3 32.axb3 Rfe8 33.Bg3 Rd8 34.Bf4 Kg7  
35.g3! h6 36.Ne3 Bf3? [36...Bf5 was more solid.]  
37.Bh3! Rf6?? [37...Ree8 was a better defence.]  
38.Be5! black resigned. 1-0

## 2006 Bloomington June Open

### *Brock, Burgess and Cozzie win 2006 Bloomington June Open*

by Dennis Bourgerie



Cozzie & Burgess Board 1 final Round

Bill Brock (2006) of Chicago, Jon Burgess (2233) of Glenview and Anthony Cozzie of Urbana all scored 3.5 of 4 to finish in a 3-way tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place.



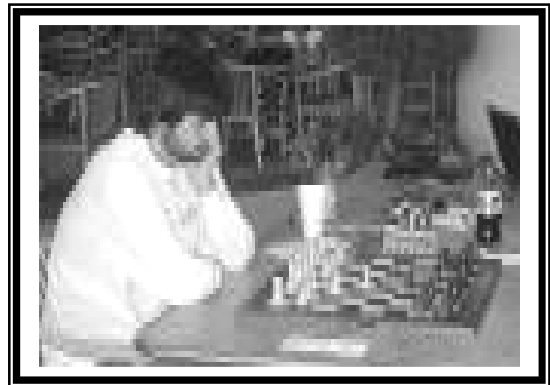
Bill Brock ICA President & David Long

Brock took a round 1 bye, then defeated Brian Villarreal (1334), Ivan Wijetunge (1800) and David Long (2000), with the final game being a tense time scramble that ended with 15 seconds or so on the players' clock.



Jon Burgess & Jeff Davis

Jon Burgess defeated Chris Baumgartner (1707), Jeff Davis (1834) and Jason Chien (1785) before drawing with Cozzie in round 4.



Anthony Cozzie

Cozzie won against Jon Bonwell (1760), Gordon Ruan (1894) and Hector Hernandez (1906) and then drew Burgess.



Tobias Simpson (1591) of the Champaign-Urbana area was the best by far in the Under 1600 section, scoring 3-1.



Larry Coulter

Under 1200 was won by Larry Coulter of Mt. Sterling, Sherman Brown of Champaign-Urbana, Carl Dolson of Peoria and Brian Frank of Bloomington-Normal, all scoring 2 points.

Scott Beatty won the Under 1000 prize with 2 points.

Quite a few Illinois Chess Association memberships were collected thanks to Garrett Scott. Once again a heartfelt thanks to the State Farm Employees Association and Colley Kitson for allowing us to use their splendid facilities for the tournament.



The Board 1 game was projected onto a large screen via a DGT board, clock, computer, projector and display screen and it was quite impressive (this could be a good idea for the Illinois Open or Illinois Scholastic Championships), although it did take awhile to get the display working correctly.

I directed the tournament, with assistance from Colley Kitson. 43 players attended.

In Bloomington, we are experimenting with a 10 a.m. starting time for tournaments and it seems to be working well because it gives players from further distances time to get to the site.



Rod Fett from New York

Players from 5 different states attended: Brian Villarreal from Pennsylvania, Rod Fett from New York, Ryan Richardson from Indiana, Ivan Wijetunge from Iowa and the Illinois players.

A final note: Co-winner Anthony Cozzie is the author of Zap! Chess (Zappa), which was the winner of the 2005 World Chess Computer Championships, where it won 10 games and drew 1 to take first place. This was the first American winner since 1989 when Deep Thought won. Zappa broke the dominance of Shredder and Junior, which had been champions for several years. Anthony is currently a PhD candidate in computer science at the University of Illinois.



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No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4
1	Burgess, Jon L	2233	3.5	W7	W6	W4	D2
2	Cozzie, Anthony E	2399	3.5	W9	W5	W14	D1
3	Brock, William H	2006	3.5	-H-	W22	W12	W11
4	Chien, Jason W	1785	3.0	W19	W8	L1	W18
5	Ruan, Gordon J	1894	3.0	W10	L2	W22	W15
6	Davis, Jeffrey E.	1834	3.0	W18	L1	W16	W23
7	Baumgartner, Chris	1707	3.0	L1	W27	W24	W29
8	Marshall, James A	2060	3.0	W15	L4	W30	W13
9	Bonwell, Jonathan	1760	3.0	L2	W16	W34	W17
10	Simpson, Tobias Ga	1591	3.0	L5	W19	W26	W21
11	Long, David	2000	2.5	W23	D12	W20	L3
12	Wijetunge, Ivan	1800	2.5	W38	D11	L3	W31
13	Read, Rhys	1900	2.5	D20	W24	W31	L8
14	Hernandez, Hector	1906	2.5	W17	W21	L2	-H-
15	Vail, Matthew R	1635	2.0	L8	W26	W33	L5
16	Ruan, George J	1353	2.0	W28	L9	L6	W35
17	Michel, Bruce	1611	2.0	L14	W32	W28	L9
18	Scarbeary, Terry	1532	2.0	L6	W38	W32	L4
19	Wadia, Malcolm P	1401	2.0	L4	L10	W40	W30
20	Fett, Rodney D	1601	2.0	D13	W36	L11	D25
21	Zimmerle, R Wayne	1684	2.0	-X-	L14	W27	L10
22	Villarreal, Brian	1334	2.0	W37	L3	L5	W33
23	Suits, John R	1632	2.0	L11	W33	W35	L6
24	Frank, Brian	1186	2.0	W42	L13	L7	W36
25	Dolson, Carl L	1185	2.0	D43	L30	W41	D20
26	Beatty, Scott	962	2.0	W34	L15	L10	W41
27	Brown, Sherman J.	1180	2.0	W40	L7	L21	W39
28	Coulter, Larry	1069	2.0	L16	W40	L17	W34
29	Smith, Jeffrey L	1388	2.0	L33	W37	W36	L7
30	Kitson, Jason E	950	1.5	D31	W25	L8	L19
31	Wadia, Aarish P	1250	1.5	D30	W41	L13	L12
32	Perry, Stephen D	949	1.5	W35	L17	L18	-H-
33	Kerns, William	1071	1.0	W29	L23	L15	L22
34	Willis, Matt hew	1285	1.0	L26	W39	L9	L28
35	Frank, Cole B	1240	1.0	L32	W42	L23	L16
36	Kitson, Michaela M	790	1.0	-B-	L20	L29	L24
37	Jackson, Spencer L	1036	1.0	L22	L29	L39	-B-
38	Richardson, Ryan	1482	1.0	L12	L18	-X-	-U-
39	Frank, Cassia K	862	1.0	-N-	L34	W37	L27
40	Nicholl, Luke		0.5	L27	L28	L19	-H-
41	Gilhaus, Jacob L	740	0.5	-H-	L31	L25	L26
42	Karra, Karthik	880	0.5	L24	L35	-F-	-H-
43	Scott, Garrett H	1457	0.5	D25	-U-	-U-	-U-
44	Nguyen, Tam D	2088	0.0	-F-	-U-	-U-	-U-

**July 9, 2006. 3RD Coast Challenge.** 3 Sections (Open/U1800/Booster). Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel, 933 Skokie Blvd., Northbrook, IL 60062. Open & U1800: 4-round SS, Game/75. Prize Fund: \$900 b/60. Open: \$200, \$125, \$75, \$50, U2000 \$40, U1800 \$35. Under 1800: \$150, 75, \$50, \$25, U1400 \$40, U1200/Unr \$35. Check-in: 7:30 – 8:30 AM. Rounds: 9:30-12:15-3:00-5:45 EF: \$30 postmarked by Jul. 1 \$35 after. \*\* Free entry to 2200+, must register in advance. Booster (U1200): 4-round SS, Game 45. Trophies: Top 5 All others participation medal. Check-in: 7:30 – 8:30 AM. Rounds: 9:30-11:15-1:00-2:45 EF: \$20 postmarked by Jun. 3, \$25 after. Entries: Renaissance Knights, PO Box 1074, Northbrook, IL 60065-1074. Checks payable to Renaissance Knights. Questions (847) 526-9025 Info [www.RKnights.org](http://www.RKnights.org) email

**July 16, 2006. Renaissance Knights Quest Tournament.** 4 Round Swiss, Game 30. Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel, 933 Skokie Blvd., Northbrook, IL 60062. Two sections: Open (Adults and Juniors) and Reserve (Juniors U1000/unrated). EF: \$20 if postmarked by Jul. 5, \$25 after. Limited to: 50 first entries received. \$5 discount to Renaissance Knights Club members. Awards: Trophies top 5 each section, all others participation medal. Check-in 2:00-2:30 PM, round 1 at 3:00 PM, rest ASAP. Entries: Renaissance Knights, PO Box 1074, Northbrook, IL 60065-1074. Checks payable to Renaissance Knights. Questions (847) 526-9025 Info [www.RKnights.org](http://www.RKnights.org) email

**July 17-21, 2006.Schaumburg Scholastic Chess Camp.** Schaumburg. [Flyer](#)

**July 22,2006. Tuley Park Quick (Medium)** 6-SS, rds 1-6 G/18 (or G/16+3sec). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$14, u19 \$7, \$1 off before 11:30. Prizes based on 32 players 330: \$80-50-35, 1899-1700 \$40, 1649-1400 \$35, 1399-1150 \$30, 1199-900 \$25, 899-100 \$20, Unrated \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, [Tuley Chess Website](#)

**July 30, 2006. Renaissance Knights Community Chess Club** 5 SS, G/25. Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel 933 Skokie Blvd. Northbrook, IL. 60062. Registration 4:00 - 4:45 pm. Round 1 at 5:00 pm. EF: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers. \$5 late fee after 4:45 pm. 75% of EF returned as prizes. USCF membership required. Info [www.RKnights.org](http://www.RKnights.org) email

**August 6, 2006. Renaissance Knights Community Chess Club** 6 SS, G/15. Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel 933 Skokie Blvd. Northbrook, IL. 60062. Registration 4:00 - 4:45 pm. Round 1 at 5:00 pm. EF: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers. \$5 late fee after 4:45 pm. 75% of EF returned as prizes. USCF membership

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**August 5-13, 2006. U.S. Open.** Oak Brook, IL  
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**Aug. 5-13, 8-13, 9-13 107th Annual U.S. Open**  
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**August 14- 18, 2006. Second Annual Norwood Township Chess Camp.** Foster & Harlem. Instructor – Ilya Korzhenevich. Free for the residents and only \$50 for the entire week for non-residents. [Flyer](#)

**August 19, 2006. Tuley Park Quick (Bigger)** 6-SS, rds 1-6 G/18 (or G/16+3sec). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$18, u19 \$9, \$1 off before 11:30. Prizes based on 32 players 450: \$125-80-50, 1899-1700 \$45, 1649-1400 \$40, 1399-1150 \$35, 1199-900 \$30, 899-100 \$25, Unrated \$20. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, [Tuley Chess Website](#)

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**August 20, 2006. Renaissance Knights Quest Tournament.** 4 Round Swiss, Game 30. Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel, 933 Skokie Blvd., Northbrook, IL 60062. Two sections: Open (Adults and Juniors) and Reserve (Juniors U1000/unrated). EF: \$20 if postmarked by Aug. 9, \$25 after. Limited to: 50 first entries received. \$5 discount to Renaissance Knights Club members. Awards: Trophies top 5 each section, all others participation medal. Check-in 2:00-2:30 PM, round 1 at 3:00 PM, rest ASAP. Entries: Renaissance Knights, PO Box 1074, Northbrook, IL 60065-1074. Checks payable to Renaissance Knights. Questions (847) 526-9025 Info [www.RKnights.org](http://www.RKnights.org) email

**August 27, 2006. Renaissance Knights Community Chess Club** 5 SS, G/20. Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel 933 Skokie Blvd. Northbrook, IL. 60062. Registration 4:00 - 4:45 pm. Round 1 at 5:00 pm. EF: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers. \$5 late fee after 4:45 pm. 75% of EF returned as prizes. USCF membership required. Info [www.RKnights.org](http://www.RKnights.org) email

**Sept. 2-4, 2006. 2006 Illinois Open Championships**  
GPP xx Illinois. \$11,000 Prize Fund b/180, \$7,000 guaranteed! Free Parking.  
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On-line registration: [www.ilchess.org](http://www.ilchess.org). USCF, ICA, NS, NC.

**Sept. 2, 2006. ICA Scholastic Kickoff**  
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**Sept. 2, 2006. Illinois Quick Chess Championship**  
\$1,000 Prize Fund! \$300 guaranteed + \$700 b/40.  
Site: Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott, 645 W. North Ave, Lombard, IL 60148, (630)629-1500. 5-SS, G/10. EF: Adults - \$39 if postmarked by 8/25, \$49 at-site; Youth - \$19 - \$29. Reg. 8:00-9:30 a.m. or 6:00-6:30 p.m. Rds: 7:00-7:30-8:00-8:30-9:00. \$300 guaranteed-200-100; Classes A, B, C, D/E/UNR: \$75-25. Entries: Glenn Panner, 21694 Doud Ct., Frankfort, IL 60423. (815)955-4793 before 8 p.m. Checks payable to Illinois Chess Assoc. On-line registration: [www.ilchess.org](http://www.ilchess.org) USCF, ICA, NS, NC.

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**Sept 23. 2006 Bloomington, IL September Open.**  
Sponsored with the State Farm Employees Activities Association. An ICA Mini-Tour and Ex-Urban Tour Event. 4SS, G/70. State Farm Headquarters, 1 State Farm Plaza, Bloomington, IL. Located on the east side of Bloomington, northwest from the intersection of Oakland Ave. and Veteran's Parkway. Enter the building from the south. Check through security and go to the food court area. EF: \$15 if rec'd by 9/20, \$19 at site. Free entry to 2020+, must register in advance. \$520 b/30: 1st \$160, 2nd \$100, U2000 \$100, U1600 \$85, U1200 \$75. Bye 1-4. ICA mbership req'd. Adults \$18, Jrs. \$14. OSA. Reg: 8:30-9:30, Rds: 10-12:45-3:30-6. Ent: Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal, IL 61761. 309-454-3842. Cell: 309-531-1723.  
[Schoolstreeter@msn.com](mailto:Schoolstreeter@msn.com)

**September 30 - October 1, 2006. Second Annual Land of Lincoln Open An ICA Mini-Tour and Ex-Urban Tour Event.** Game/110, 5 round Swiss.

**October 21, 2006. Third Annual David Mote Memorial Open An ICA Mini-Tour and Ex-Urban Tour Event.** Game/80, 4 round Swiss. More Information.



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**Greater Peoria Chess Federation** meets Mondays 7 pm, Lakeview Museum, 1125 W Lake Ave, Peoria 61614  
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 309-692-4480 (day)  
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[wzim@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wzim@sbcglobal.net)

**Illinois College Chess Club** - Illinois College Chess Club meets regularly during the college academic year. Illinois College, 1101 West College Ave, Jacksonville, IL 62650  
 James P. Marshall, (217)245-3432, [jmarshall@ic.edu](mailto:jmarshall@ic.edu)

**Joliet Junior College Chess Club** meets Thursdays 6:30 pm, Joliet Junior College, Building J, cafeteria, 1215 Houbolt Rd (I-80 exit 127), Joliet. Contact Dennis Doyle at 815 280-2738 c/o JJC Chess Club, 1215 Houbolt Ave. Joliet, IL 60431  
[didoyle@jjc.edu](mailto:didoyle@jjc.edu) or Steve Decman 815 744-5272  
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**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).

**Renaissance Knights Chess Club** - meets at the Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel, 933 Skokie Blvd. Northbrook, IL. 60062. We meet on Sundays from 3:30 PM. We offer casual play, run USCF Rated tournaments, hold beginner and intermediate lessons, and more. All ages and beginners welcomed. Contact Sheila or David Heiser, [RKnightsCCC@aol.com](mailto:RKnightsCCC@aol.com). [www.rknights.org](http://www.rknights.org)

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**St Charles Chess Club** The St. Charles Chess Club offers a variety of chess activities in Chicago's western suburbs. Current membership includes a very active group of players that range in skill from beginners to experts. The club meets on the second floor of the Baker Community Center at 101 South Second Street in St. Charles. If you are interested, feel free to contact Jeff Wiewel at (847) 377-6758.  
[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.

**State Farm Employee Activities (SFEA) Chess Club**  
 1 State Farm Plaza Corp. HQ C-4 Bloomington, IL, 60701  
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**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).

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**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  
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## *Sept 23, 2006 Bloomington, IL September Open*

Sponsored with the State Farm Employees Activities Association. An ICA Mini-Tour and Ex-Urban Tour Event. 4SS, G/70. State Farm Headquarters, 1 State Farm Plaza, Bloomington, IL. Located on the east side of Bloomington, northwest from the intersection of Oakland Ave. and Veteran's Parkway. Enter the building from the south. Check through security and go to the food court area. EF: \$15 if rec'd by 9/20, \$19 at site. Free entry to 2020+, must register in advance. \$520 b/30: 1st \$160, 2nd \$100, U2000 \$100, U1600 \$85, U1200 \$75. Bye 1-4. ICA mbership req'd. Adults \$18, Jrs. \$14. OSA. Reg: 8:30-9:30, Rds: 10-12:45-3:30-6. Ent: Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal, IL 61761. 309-454-3842. Cell: 309-531-1723. [Schoolstreter@msn.com](mailto:Schoolstreter@msn.com)

## ***Illinois Chess Association***

### ***6/11/2006 Minutes***

Approval of minutes from the January 2006 meeting.  
Approved

Officers reports

#### **President (Brock)**

Denker was a success - thanks to Chris Merle

How should we handle Illinois Denker Qualifier participants who are in the process of changing FIDE federations? Need unambiguous direction from USCF--we've heard two reasonable (yet conflicting) interpretations.

Polgar had 38 participants compared to 7 last year. Had 11 in the top section. Would like to have them on different weekends. There should be open bidding for it.

The Kasparov luncheon was a success: our thanks to the organizers, Kasparov Chess Foundation & Valentina Likhovaya's Chess Wizards, for inviting so many ICA members.

Chicago Open - missed potential ICA memberships. Need to improve coverage next year.

Mikhail Korenman is running the 2006 Illinois Open.

Illinois Class - awarded to Joliet

#### **Metro VP (Bale)**

#### **Downstate VP (Merli)**

#### **Treasurer (Dolson)**

A major issue is that revenue from memberships is down - Chicago Open issue

#### **Secretary (Easton)**

Present-no report.

Our thanks to Richard Easton for coordinating the combined ICA/ICCA banquet.

ICB-Print (Kitson)  
July-August will be a full issue.

ICB-Online (Karagianis)  
Need to make sure that we list the patrons.

#### **Membership (Smith)**

Memberships are down to 360 at June 2006 from 492 at June 2005 (Chicago Open snafu: Brock takes responsibility.)

We sent out membership cards - only got five returns.

Should have on-line membership list.

Committee reports

#### **Youth (Merle)**

#### **Warren Junior Program (Andrea Rosen)**

Have identified the top players and told them that that they were eligible. Expect subsidized group lessons to be held this summer.

On Saturday, July 8, from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., they will be at the Family Village Tent at the Taste of Chicago conducting simultaneous chess exhibitions, blitz games and informal chess lessons. They will be able to solicit for donations, and will receive a \$150 stipend from the city of Chicago for their participation.

Andi is working with management at Oberweis Dairy to arrange Warren program chess events at Oberweis stores. They are planning to pilot a program at the Oberweis Glenview store in September where Warren scholars will offer simul's, lessons, supervised play and possibly a mini-tournament. Logistics are still being worked out. Keep an eye out on the ICA forum page under the Warren Program for further details.

New business

Ron Suarez - what do people get out of the ICA - rise of internet chess has hurt the ICA  
Have the ICA sanction more tournaments - allow non-members to play - entry reduction for ICA members. Puts the onus on the individual to prove membership. The discount will vary by the entry fee.

Moved that a committee be formed with Ron as the chair, comprised of executive members as well as others selected by them. There could be a special meeting to finalize the details. Approved

2006 budget will be revised and sent to the Executive Board with a week.

Motion: The Executive Board will be authorized to approve it. Moved and approved.

## ICA Meeting Minutes

Illinois Open - change date from Labor Day to July 4th? Several people spoke out against this and no one spoke in favor of it.

(Brock) PROPOSED AMENDMENT: on decoupling USCF delegates from ICA Board - to be discussed in the next meeting.

Thanks to the Chicago Industrial Chess Club for the joint banquet on 6/2. Moved and accepted.

(Dolson) - Moved that the term "Expiration Date," as used in Article XIII of the Illinois Chess Association Constitution be interpreted to mean that date which is the last day of the month that is 11 months following the month in which a Member's dues made that Member's membership effective. A Member's membership term shall be a 12-month period beginning on the first day of the month in which a Member's dues make a Member's membership effective and ending on the last day of the 12-month membership period. This interpretation shall be effective for new Member's dues received and membership renewals made effective in July 2006. Moved and accepted.

Conference call with interested parties and Co-Chess board members (Brock) with respect to the All Grades. Glenn Panner was the only conference call attendee. It's a fall tournament which has generally been held in the Bloomington area for the last ten years (has been there four out of the last six years). In 2005, there was conflict with a Chicago scholastic tournament. Glenn Panner and Tim Just took it upstate. Attempts to coor-

dinate it with Co-Chess were unsuccessful. Glenn Panner is planning the 2006 event. Co-chess has not been incorporated. If it does, will it be a non-profit or a for profit organization?

ICA is the sanctioning organization for all USCF-rated state championships. (IHSA events expressly prohibit mandatory USCF membership).

Motion ICA award the 2006 All grade event to Glenn Panner - moved and accepted

Motion ICA award the Spring 2007 event, per the Co Chess recommendation, to Bloomington Normal Scholastic chess - moved and accepted

Motion: The ICA will recognize a non-profit and incorporated Co-Chess organization to work with the Youth Chess committee of ICA on an ongoing basis. The ICA will continue to sanction Co-Chess tournament awards so long as all the parties remain satisfied with the agreement The ICA reserves the right to sanction all state chess championships that are USCF rated. Moved and accepted.

Motion: ICA propose that we bid on the 2007 and subsequent Amateur Team and make Chris Merli the point man. Moved and accepted.

Attendees: Richard Easton, Dennis Bourgerie, Carl Dolson, Jeff Smith, Chris Merli, Garrett Scott, Bill Brock Andi Rosen, Ron Suarez, Wayne Zimmerli, Larry Cohen, Howard Cohen, Glenn Panner (conf call only)

### *Sept. 2, 2006. Illinois Quick Chess Championship*

\$1,000 Prize Fund! \$300 guaranteed + \$700 b/40. Site: Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott, 645 W. North Ave, Lombard, IL 60148, (630)629-1500. 5-SS, G/10. EF: Adults - \$39 if postmarked by 8/25, \$49 at-site; Youth - \$19 - \$29. Reg. 8:00-9:30 a.m. or 6:00-6:30 p.m. Rds: 7:00-7:30-8:00-8:30-9:00. \$\$300 guaranteed-200-100; Classes A, B, C, D/E/UNR: \$75-25. Entries: Glenn Panner, 21694 Doud Ct., Frankfort, IL 60423. (815)955-4793 before 8 p.m. Checks payable to Illinois Chess Assoc. On-line registration: [www.ilchess.org](http://www.ilchess.org) USCF, ICA, NS, NC.

*US Open*  
*USCF's Chess in Education workshop Aug 7-8*

The main task of the Chess in Education committee for 2005-2006 was to organize a chess in education workshop. That workshop will be held August 7-8, 2006 at the Doubletree Oakbrook Hotel 1909 Spring Rd Oakbrook, IL 60523. The workshop is sponsored by the United States Chess Federation (USCF), [www.uschess.org](http://www.uschess.org), and has been organized by Dr. Tim Redman and Dr. Alexey Root, chairs of the USCF Chess in Education committee.

A list of committee members and up to date workshop information can be found at the Web site [http://www.thechessacademy.org/USCF\\_Chess\\_Education\\_Committee.htm](http://www.thechessacademy.org/USCF_Chess_Education_Committee.htm). Special thanks to Chicago Public Schools teacher John P. Buky for creating the Web site.

Workshop description: The USCF's Chess in Education workshop is eligible for continuing professional development units (CPDUs) from the IL State Board of Education. The intended audience for the workshop is Chicago Public School teachers and other IL teachers, as well as parents and chess coaches nationwide. Each of the presenters' talks relates to the following five priorities for Illinois education: Mathematics, Integrating Technology into Teaching and Learning, Reading, Standards and Assessment, and Counseling/Special Education. For example, a presenter on technology will show how chess can be used to reach educational objectives through chess programs and chess computers.

Fee Schedule: \$15 for both days of the workshop or \$10 for one day of the workshop. Fees are payable at the beginning of each workshop day.

The Chess in Education committee anticipates the following schedule of presenters:

Date/ Time	9:30-10:30	10:45-11:45	1:30-2:30	2:45-3:45
7th	Michael Khodarkovsky, <a href="http://www.kasparovchessfoundation.org">www.kasparovchessfoundation.org</a> Beatriz Marinello, <a href="http://www.uschess.org">www.uschess.org</a>	Mikhail Korenman; John Buky, <a href="http://www.thechessacademy.org">www.thechessacademy.org</a>	Joseph Eberhard	Technology Steve Lipschultz, <a href="http://www.schoolchess.com">www.schoolchess.com</a>
8th	Javier Pinedo, <a href="http://www.chessfun.org">www.chessfun.org</a>	F. Leon Wilson <a href="http://www.ChessLearn.com">www.ChessLearn.com</a>	David Heiser <a href="http://www.RKnights.org">www.RKnights.org</a> ; Kiran Frey	Fernando Moreno

**Blueprint curriculum by the Kasparov Chess Foundation.**

**Michael Khodarkovsky**, President of the Kasparov Chess Foundation, speaks for 30 minutes about the foundation's curriculum. Mr. Khodarkovsky conducts a FIDE Trainers Seminar August 5-6, at the same location as the August 7-8 Chess in Education workshop.

**Chess, Learning, and Leadership.**

**Beatriz Marinello**, the first woman president of the United States Chess Federation (USCF), discusses her leadership role in scholastic chess. Her 30 minute talk also covers her current USCF Executive Board service and her extensive experience teaching chess in the curriculum to elementary students.

## USCF's Chess in Education Workshop

Chess for peace and for historical understanding. **Dr. Mikhail Korenman**, USCF Scholastic Council member and FIDE International Organizer, speaks for 30 minutes on how chess has brought together political leaders from Russia and the United States. Additionally, Dr. Korenman discusses how to teach history through chess.

Chess, Math, and Extended Response Curriculum. **John P. Buky**, Chicago Public Schools teacher, speaks for 30 minutes on how chess has been successfully integrated into Lloyd School's Instructional Curriculum and its impact on students and teachers.

Emphasizing Academic Potential Over Academic Outcomes: A More Authentic Argument for Chess in Education. **Dr. Joseph Eberhard** has taught chess to students K-3 through 12th grade for the last 10 years in South Texas. When proponents of chess in education emphasize academic outcomes rather than academic potential, there is a risk of turning chess into a "program." Dr. Eberhard presents for one hour his research on the impact of chess instruction on academic potential, which, when coupled with a realistic understanding of school district objectives and program development, will redirect the dialogue on how to authentically make chess part of the educational landscape.

Chess as a tool for educators to develop students' critical thinking skills. The creator of Think Like A King (TLAK) School Chess Software System, **Dr. Steve Lipschultz**, presents for one hour about how TLAK combines basic principles of human cognition and educational psychology in order to overcome the traditional barriers to learning chess. TLAK is a comprehensive, easily implemented, and scalable solution that allows any school, district, or city to create an environment where large numbers of children are attracted to chess as a school sport.

Teaching chess with computers. **Javier Pinedo**, elementary school chess teacher and coach at Rowland Hall-St. Marks private school in Salt Lake City, discusses for one hour the impact of teaching with computer chess programs.

Creating, Presenting, and Delivering High Quality Chess Presentations, Print Handouts, and Training Materials for the Non-Graphics Artist. **F. Leon Wilson**, chess instructor and coach with 11 years of experience, demonstrates how to utilize computer chess software such as chess databases, chess playing programs, tournament pairing software, presentation products, and audio-visual equipment (including White boards, LCD projectors, and computers) to enhance the chess teaching and learning experience.

Chess: bridging cultures and uniting people. **David Heiser**, President of the Renaissance Knights Foundation in Chicago, discusses for 30 minutes how the foundation uses chess to transcend nationality, ethnic identity, race, and gender.

Chess and the development of leadership skills in children. **Dr. Kiran Frey**, psychiatrist, speaks for 30 minutes about her program, which has been organized to combine chess, philanthropy, and the human spirit.

Using Chess in a Counseling/Mentoring Approach for Students. **Fernando Moreno**, School Counselor MCPS, describes his counseling and mentoring approach that uses chess to address several internal assets: values, positive identity, and educational and social competencies. A directory of chess positions which correlate to students' real-life experiences will be presented, and workshop participants will have the opportunity to practice the approach during this one hour session.

Book signing. **Dr. Alexey Root**, senior lecturer at the University of Texas at Dallas, sells copies of her 2006 book *Children and Chess: A Guide for Educators* during the morning breaks on August 7th and 8th. She presents a talk about her online courses for educators at the FIDE Trainers Seminar August 5-6, at the same location as the August 7-8 Chess in Education workshop.

**August 5-13, 2006**

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