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EDITOR'S PAGE

BYE-BYE

This will be my last issue as ICB Editor. I don't regret taking the job despite the hard work required, since I genuinely enjoy reading and writing about chess. I also took a childish delight in the increased amount of mail I was receiving, since for me there is nothing more satisfying than to return to a full mailbox at the end of a hard day, but there were some things that bothered me and compelled my resignation.

Early in 1982 my rating reached 2399 on a CHESS LIFE label. About that time I started doing some material for the ICB as an Assistant Editor, and a few issues later I took over as Editor. Not coincidentally, my play (and rating) slumped dreadfully, and it's only this summer that I've come out of it, probably because I knew my stint was almost over. I'm not the only victim of this phenomena. Richard Fauber, Editor of N. California's CHESS VOICE, complained that he was suffering from it and said he was glad to see my rating hadn't suffered too much (just an 80 point drop!)

What causes NERDS (New Editors' Rating Drop Syndrome)? An Editor is so tired of chess after doing chess diagrams, typing up chess game scores, and editing chess articles that he can't bring himself to study chess or work up enough "hunger" to play well at tournaments. The only cures are to ease the task by delegating a lot of the busywork to others, or simply to eliminate the cause. My case being so advanced, I took the drastic step of surgery.

There's another reason I'll be happy to give up the Editorship. I always used to look forward to receiving the ICB, but as you might imagine it isn't as exciting when you've seen what's in it. Being a ham, I loved to see my name in print, but it's no fun when you can splash the ICB with self-references (even so, you'll notice I got my picture in there often enough!)

I'll still have a considerable presence in the ICB. I'll do a column and other sundry things if the new editor wants me to. And resignation as Editor doesn't mean I'm cutting back on chess. To the contrary, I'm going to step up and widen my activity.

Producing the ICB is a team effort, and there are a lot of people to thank. ICA President Helen Warren was a pleasure to work for. As an excellent ICA Editor for the preceding 5 years, she knows the job inside-out. She produced a constant stream of material and invaluable advice, but resisted the temptation to interfere. I knew I could do things she wouldn't do, and she would back my independence.

We have some fine, hard-working writers and columnists who gave me lots of good things to print. Most notable were Kevin Bachler (who was really a de facto Assistant Editor), Games Editor Albert Chow, Problem Editor David Brown, Tournament Clearinghouse Fred Gruenberg, former ICB Editor John Tomas, USCF President Tim Redman, and USCF Policy Board Member Harold Winston. I'd also like to mention ICA Treasurer Jim Warren, who handled the mailing labels and finances impeccably. Finally, Mark Zvilius made my typing and arranging much easier by providing access to the Univ. of Illinois' PLATO computer system.

At the moment I don't know who the new Editor or

Editors will be, but I'm sure a quality ICB will continue to appear, because the support and talent are there. I'll see you on the tournament trail!

THINGS TO WATCH FOR

Not that I want to commit the new Editor to anything, but he/she will undoubtedly have some interesting material for you (and me!) next issue:

- 1) The opening of the Korchnoi-Kasparov Candidates Match set for Los Angeles has been delayed until August 6 last I heard. Who will win? What crazy things will happen? Will the match be held at all? Stay tuned!
- 2) Chicago is buzzing over the World Youth Team Championship, to be held August 22-Sept.3 at the Univ. of Chicago's International House! Games start at 1 PM daily, arrange your schedule to make some (if not all) of the rounds and catch the heady atmosphere.
- 3) The US Class Championships were held July 22-24 at the Palmer House, and a full account is in the works. For the moment I can tell you that IM Igor Ivanov blitzed the Master/Exper section 5-0, and Morris Giles finished second.
- 4) IM Leonid Bass may have slipped versus Al Chow at the Master Challenge, but at the World Open he tied 1st-5th with GM Quinteros and IMs Shirazi, Spraggett, and Zaltsman. Leonid is going to be hitting the tournament trail in Europe later this summer, and the ICB will be receiving periodic reports.

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			C	12	6	6
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			E	4	2	2

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TOUR STANDINGS JULY 26, 1983

CHAMPIONSHIP LEADERS:

1	Al Chow	55
2	Michael Brooks	25
3	Jammie Gregory	15
4	David Sprenkle	10
5-10	Ken Mohr	7 1/2
5-10	Mario Spinosa	7 1/2
5-10	S. Fridgeirsson	7 1/2
5-10	Cliff Wallach	7 1/2
5-10	Kevin Lawson	7 1/2
5-10	William Harrison	7 1/2

CLASS A LEADERS:

1	William Harrison	22 1/2
2	Cliff Wallach	20
3	Murray Newcomb	15
4	Kevin Lawson	8 5/22
5-6	Bob Marcowka	5
5-6	Chris Firestone	5

GAIN POINTS BY PLAYING THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENTS:

ICA MAXI-TOUR TOURNAMENTS:

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 MASTER CHALLENGE--Oak Pk--June 24-26
 PUT THE FUN BACK INTO CHESS--Morgan Pk.,
 Aug. 27-28
 ILLINOIS OPEN, Peoria, Sept. 3-5 LABOR DAY
 LAKE CO OPEN, Waukegan--Sept. 24-25
 ILLINOIS CLASS--(site pending) --Nov. 25-27

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ICA MINI-TOUR TOURNAMENTS:

SPECTACULAR AMERICANA--Chess Center--July 2-3
 3rd ANNUAL PARK FORST OPEN--Sept. 17-18
 CENTRAL IL OPEN--Urbana--Oct. 1-2
 SO IL OPEN--Belleville--Oct. 15-16
 MORGAN PARK MARATHON (dates pending)
 CHESS MATES Nov. 19-20 "Old Fashioned Swiss"
 ST CHARLES OPEN--St. Charles--(Dates pending)

CLASS B LEADERS:

1	Bob Kaminsky	16
2-3	Lawrence Cohen	12
2-3	Jim Scherer	12
4	John Bitinas	8
5	Roger Bowen	2 8/11
6	William Graves	2
7-16	K Lawson	8/11
7-16	Tom Fojeck	8/11
7-16	Herman Nelson	8/11
7-16	Kalman Farkas	8/11
7-16	Frank Golec	8/11
7-16	Mark Hansel	8/11
7-16	Leonid Sagalovsky	8/11
7-16	Irwin Rothchild	8/11
7-16	Curtis Wodke	8/11
7-16	William Joiner, Jr.	8/11

CLASS C LEADERS:

1-2	Mario Bartocci	9
1-2	Luis Ferrer	9
3-6	Paul Madey	6
3-6	Sam Thompson	6
3-6	Mike Adler	6
3-6	Raymond Pope	6
7-8	Roger Sopocia	1 1/2
7-8	Byron Kast	1 1/2

CLASS D LEADERS:

1-4	Henderson Johnson	4
1-4	Murrell Selden	4
1-4	John Apostolopoulos	4
1-4	Gregory Gust	4
5-7	Jack Simunic	2 2/3
5-7	Bernard Mortel	2 2/3
5-7	Roy Levin	2 2/3

CLASS E LEADERS:

1-2	James Lee	4
1-2	Steve Slagle	4
3	Louis Bond	2
4-5	Peter Gaveras	1
4-5	Rodolfo Padilla	1

PLAY IN AN ILLINOIS TOUR TOURNAMENT THIS MONTH...LOTS OF TOUR ACTION COMING UP!!

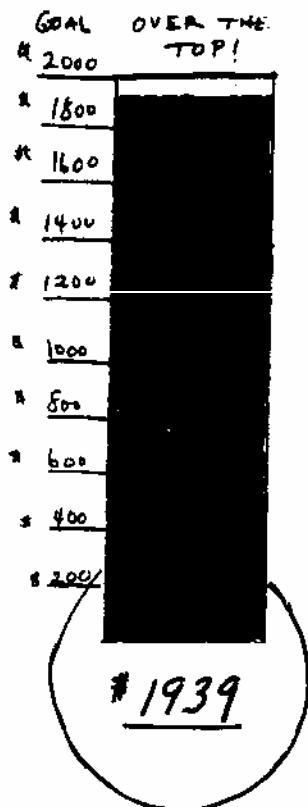
TOUR STANDINGS INCLUDE THE GCO, MASTER CHALLENGE & SPECTACULAR AMERICANA

***** "What a pity." The most often heard remark about the match that never happened: Korchnoi-Kasparov, Los Angeles, 1983. Regardless of political overtones and undercuts, it was an encounter chess players all over the world waited hungrily to witness. The disappointment and frustration for us was great; imagine what it must have been for the hard-working Los Angeles organizers who put this potentially rich (chess-rich!) match together, an occasion for anticipation, celebration, and satisfaction. U.S. players who would have passed up a Pasadena U.S. Open save for the K-K match were left in a sorry mood--and we all waited to learn the "inside story". Eric Schiller, Kasparov's friend and would-be translator in Pasadena, will give us his perspective in our next issue.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Helen Warren

NEARING OUR GOAL....an inch away....



WILL YOU HELP US GO OVER THE TOP?

OUR THANKS TO YOU ALL!

We edge ever closer to our \$2000 goal in the ICA Fund Drive, 1983. This month we add the names of two new Gold Card contributors and several Patrons.

This together with the anticipated \$300 contribution from Richard Verber from his U.S. Class will bring our total as of AUGUST 10, 1983 to \$1939. We still have four months plus before year's end and hope you'll consider adding your name to the list of those who have made the extra effort.

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THE WORLD YOUTH TEAM at the International House in Hyde Park will be history when most you get your ICBs--and we will have a full report in the next issue. Following the WYT will be a great event for Illinois and Chicago: THE CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL, 1983. We have successfully funded this undertaking with financial assistance from the USCF and the American Chess Foundation. What an opportunity for our FIDE rated players to get a leg on an international title!! Sept. 6-16 are the dates. AL CHOW, DAVID DPRENKLE, ERIC SCHILLER, LEONID KAUSHANSKY, AND DAVE RUBIN (perhaps others) are expected to play against foreign opposition, titled players who will remain here after the World Youth Team is over. Come and watch! For details call your president 246-6665 or chess phone IL CHESS.

THE ICA SCHOLASTIC CHESS CLINIC, Oct. 1-2....

Juniors in Illinois will receive a special personal invitation shortly after Labor Day and chess teams and their coaches will receive full information on this as well. JUNIORS! Here's your chance to meet the masters one on one--and improve your game! PROVIDO HIGH SCHOOL WEST, Hillside, Oct. 1-2. One day of classes followed by a tornado for rated players and a beginners' event for non-USCF members. BE THERE!

ERIC SCHILLER NAMED NEW ICB EDITOR....

We announce with pleasure and enthusiasm the appointment of a successor to David Sprenkle who leaves as editor with this issue. Eric Schiller, an experienced author and editor, USCF master, international arbiter (FIDE), and organizer of the World Youth Team Tournament, will become ICB editor effective immediately. The October-November ICB will be his first issue. Eric brings solid and impressive editorial credentials to the post, as well as ambitious plans for the future of our state publication. Organizers can get Eric off to a good start by pledging to send him tournament reports and news. Welcome to the editor's chair, Eric!

THE ICA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM....

Five cash scholarships, each \$100, will be awarded in March to Illinois and Illinois-area juniors (under 21) who have displayed significant dedication to chess through their play, their sportsmanship, team contribution, and willingness to share their expertise. Any junior may be nominated by a chess club, school chess team or coach, or by an ICA officer or board member between now and Dec. 30, 1983. Accompanying the submission of the name of the candidate must be a statement giving reasons why the junior is a worthy candidate for the grant. This project is made possible by Fred Gruenberg's outside funding program in cooperation with the ICA. Nominations should be sent to ICA president Helen Warren by the end of the year. Winners will be announced at the Awards Banquet in March, 1984.

ILLINOIS FUTURITY PLANNED FOR 1984....

The ICA Board of Directors voted to organize an Illinois Futurity in 1984. Dates are undetermined, but the event will be held before July 1. We welcome your assistance in money-raising, site, etc. This tournament will afford an opportunity to our Illinois players who did not play in our last Futurity.

PLANS UNDER WAY FOR 1984 IL TOUR...Let us help YOUR club organize a mini or maxi tour tournament in 1984. Metro-VP Fred Gruenberg is now planning for an even bigger IL Tour in 1984. If you or your club would like to sponsor a tour event--one of the ICA's own--the IL OPEN or the IL CLASS, or one of your own, NOW is the time to talk to Fred about securing a date on the calendar. We will also assist you with publicity for the tourney, suggest format (if you want advice!) and even provide some financial help. Putting your tournament on the IL TOUR will boost its chance of success! It will boost ICA, too!

AT THE ILLINOIS OPEN IN PEORIA, Labor Day...This is our state championship! Car pool from Chicago available. Call Helen Warren 246-6665.

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AT THREE GREAT ICA TOUR TOURNAMENTS COMING SOON....The IL OPEN, THE PARK FOREST OPEN (Sept. 17-18) and at the LAKE COUNTY OPEN (Sept. 24-25)



**Christiansen,
Dzindzhashvili,
and Browne Score
9-4 to Tie for
1st-3rd in 1983
United States
Chess Championship**

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by MASTER RICHARD VERBER, NTD

The 1983 U.S. Championship saw 6 Russian-born masters and one Iranian do battle with seven Americans. Never before have so many foreign-born players competed in the U.S. Championship. In sharing first place Roman Dzindzhashvili has clearly established himself as one of America's strongest and most talented Grandmasters.

For Walter Browne, now 6-time winner (or co-winner) of the U.S. Championship, this victory renews his reputation at the top of American chess. Larry Christiansen also re-establishes himself as one of the top three or four U.S. players after a year or two of indifferent results. This writer believes that Christiansen played the best and most consistent chess this year.

Perhaps this year's biggest surprise is the excellent play produced by Nick DeFirmian (8-5) and 19-year old Joel Benjamin (7-6). Although DeFirmian is not yet well-known outside California, his play in the 1983 Championship convinced many masters that he is on the verge of achieving Grandmaster norms. Many of De Firmian's games featured sharp mating attacks against grandmaster level opponents. His wins against GM Jim Tarjan and 5th place finisher Dmitry Gurevich were particularly impressive. DiFirmian clearly produced the most colorful chess of the tournament.

Another future-great of American chess is young Joel Benjamin of New York. Joel is currently a student at Yale. At 19 he is the most promising player in America. After his excellent performance at the World Open (July 4th weekend) Joel came to the U.S. Championship

as the highest rated chessplayer in the U.S. after Bobby Fischer. An indication of his great potential can be seen in his first round victory over Nick De Firmian and his last round attempt to defeat tournament leader Walter Browne. After the tournament Larry Christiansen predicted that Joel Benjamin will quickly achieve grandmaster status.—A puzzle of sorts was Joel's play against tournament leaders Christiansen and Dzindzhashvili. It became apparent early in both games that Joel seemed psyched-out by these strongest opponents. When Joel faced Walter Browne in the final round he demonstrated a much improved attitude, turning down Browne's draw offer on move 10 in favor of a speculative attack against Browne's King. This style of play might well help Benjamin to mature into a truly great chess champion.

Efforts are under way to organize a 3-way Championship Playoff in Chicago with a \$6,000 purse. Christiansen and Dzindzi have already indicated interest.

SPECIAL U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP COVERAGE....

On this and the following pages, you'll find total coverage of the U.S. Championship....

Group photo and crosstable...Sandy Forbes and Dick Verber, photos

Games analysis by SM Jeremy Silman

Games with capsule commentary by Richard Verber
Bio notes, courtesy of USCF

GAMES ANALYSIS

from the U. S. Championship

1983 US CHAMPIONSHIP by Jeremy Silman

Part I (Editor's note: The tournament is over as we go to press. This report is the first of a comprehensive report, but if you want to cheat a peek, the final standings are elsewhere in this issue)

The match between the Soviet Union and California finally got underway on July 14. Two New Yorkers were added for flavor, shake well and you get the 1983 US Championship. The lineup- Soviet Union: Dzindzhashvili, Kogan, Alburt, Kudrin, Lein, and Gurevich. California: Browne, Christiansen, Tarjan, DeFirmian, Whitehead, Shirazi. The New York taste tests were Benjamin and Soitis.

Before the start of the event it was felt that four players had real chances for first. They were Tarjan, Browne, Christiansen, and Dzindzhashvili. Of course, anyone could be a threat, as became clear right from the beginning.

ROUND 1: Browne and Dzindzi won, and Christiansen drew. A surprise was Tarjan's loss to Lein. In a better position he pushed hard to win, over-reached, and got a zero for his trouble.

Also of note was the rise of what was to become the two tournament threats; Gurevich and Benjamin both won in good style.

ROUND 2: Browne and Dzindzi won again. Christiansen gathered his first point. Tarjan once again pushed too hard (this time against Gurevich) and once again lost. Benjamin grabbed a 2-0 score by battering Whitehead.

ROUND 3: Browne and Dzindzi played each other to a draw. Christiansen cheapoed Tarjan (3 zeros for Jim), and Benjamin and Gurevich both won again to reach 3-0.

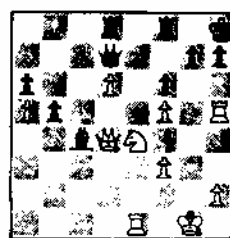
ROUND 4: Dzindzi took the lead with a decisive win over Benjamin. Browne made a quick draw while Christiansen scored yet another victory. Gurevich got dragged down to defeat by a member of his own team (Alburt). Tarjan finally won a game (versus Kogan).

Thus the race is clear at the time of this writing. First place will be taken by Dzindzi, Browne, or Christiansen. Of the three I would make Dzindzi out to be a slight favorite, followed by Christiansen (who is playing very well) and Browne. Benjamin will end up with a good plus score (perhaps plus 3).

BROWNE-GUREVICH

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 d5 4 Nc3 c5 5 exd5 Nxd5 6 e4 Nxc3 7 bxc3 cxd4 8 cxd4 Nc6 9 Bc4 (Very interesting here is 9 a3!? It's point is that after 9...Be7 10 Bd3 0-0 11 Be3 b6 12 0-0 White is a move ahead of similar positions reached in the a3 Queen's Indian, i.e. 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 a3 Bb7 5 Nc3 d5 6 cxd5 Nxd5 7 e3 Be7 8 Bb5+ c6 9 Bd3 0-0 10 0-0 c5 11 e4 Nxc3 12 bxc3 Nc6 13 Be3 cxd4 14 cxd4. Another common move here is 9 Be2 which has been quite popular recently. The text move though is critical and may well turn out to be the best in the final analysis) 9...b5 10 Be2 (Best. White tried 10 Bd3 in the original game with this line but got no advantage [Spassky-Fischer, Reykjavik 1972]. 10 Bd3 was tried again, this time in Browne-Pinter, Las Palmas 1982. After 10...Bb4+ 11 Bd2 a6 12 Rcl! Bxd2+ 13 Qxd2 Bb7 14 0-0 0-0 15 d5 exd5 16 exd5 Ne7 17 d6 Nc8 18 Ng5 g6! 19 d7 Nb6 20 Rfd1 Qxd7 21 Bxg6 hxg6 22 Qxd7 Nxd7 23 Rxd7 Rac8 24 Rxc8 White had no advantage at all, and a draw was agreed)

10...Bb4+ 11 Bd2 Qa5 (11...Bxd2+ 12 Qxd2 a6 13 0-0 0-0 14 a4 bxa4 15 Rxa4 with a small advantage for White, Martz-Bisquier, US Champ. 1973) 12 d5 (Black can probably equalize after 12 Rbl Bxd2+ [12...a6?? 13 Rxb4 Nxb4 14 Qb3+] 13 Qxd2 Qxd2+ 14 Kxd2 a6 etc.) 12...exd5 13 exd5 Ne7 14 0-0 Bxd2 15 Nxd2 0-0 16 d6! (This and White's next couple of moves may well be a significant improvement over the older 16 Nb3) 16... Nf5 17 Bf3 Rb8 18 Ne4 (This position is not at all easy for Black. White's passed d-pawn is very threatening. White's knight has a fine post on c5 where it can menace Black's queenside pawns and help break any blockades which may arise on the d7 square. Black's one plus, his queenside pawn majority, is going nowhere and may well turn out to be a weakness) 18...Qb6!? (18... b4!?) 19 Qd3 (A simple, obvious, and excellent move. On d3 the queen prepares to bolster his d-pawn by Rfd1, it keeps an eye on Black's b5 pawn, and it puts pressure on the b1-h7 diagonal which, mixed with a later Ng5, might well prove troublesome) 19...Be6 20 Rfd1 Rbd8 (20...Rfd8 might be stronger) 21 a4! (White now fixes the position of Black's queenside pawns and tries to create a weakness there) 21...a6 (21...b4 22 a5 would leave the b-pawn unsupported and weak, while 21...bxa4 22 Rxa4 Bb3 23 Ka6! is also good for White) 22 a5! (Excellent. It is true that this gives Black a protected passed pawn, but this pawn can never go anywhere without becoming very weak. In the meantime the pawn on a6 is a horrible weakness which can be attacked by a rook on c6 and a knight at c5) 22...Qb8 23 Rac1 Nh4 24 Rc6? (White could obtain a sizeable advantage by 24 Ng5! Bf5 [24...Nxf3+ 25 gxf3 g6 26 Ne4 f5 27 Ng5 is hopeless for Black] 25 Be4) 24...Qa8 25 Rc5 (Browne felt that 25 Rb6 might have been stronger) 25...Bc4 26 Qd4 Nxf3+ 27 gxf3 (Threatens 28 Rg5 f6 29 Nxf6+) 27...Kh8 28 Rel Qb8 29 Rh5 f6 (White threatened both 30 Ng5 and Nf6) 30 f4 (This pawn will go to f5 where it may eventually support a knight on e6 via Nc5-e6) 30... Qc8 31 f3 (Preventing ...Qg4+) 31...Qd7 32 f5



32...Rde8? (32...Rfe8! is all-right for Black) 33 Kf2 Re5 34 Nc5 Qe8 35 Rxe5 Qxh5 (Forced. Very bad is 35...fxe5 [35...Qxe5 36 Qxe5 fxe5 37 Ne6 is a pretty win for White after 37...Rf7 38 Ng5! Rd7 39 Rxh7+ Kg8 40 f6! Rxd6 41 f7+! Bxf7 42 Rh8+! etc] 36 Qh4 h6 37 d7 Qd8 38 Ne6 Qxd7 [38...Qxh4+ 39 Rxb4 Bxe6 40 fxe6 is easy, as is 38...Bxe6 39 Qxd8 Rxd8 40 fxe6] 39 Rxh6+! gxh6 40 Qxh6+ Kg8 [40...Qh7 41 Qxf8+ Qg8 42 Qh6+ Qh7 43 Qf6+ Kg8 44 Qf8 mate] 41 Qf8+ Kh7 42 Ng5 mate) 36 Re3 Qxf5?! (This makes things easy, but Black also loses after 36...Qxh2+ 37 Kel Qg1+ 38 Kd2 Qf2+ 39 Kcl Qg1+ [39...Qa2 40 d7 with 41 d8/Q or Re8 to follow] 40 Kc2 Qf2+ 41 Qd2 Qxd2+ 42 Kxd2 Rd8 43 d7 Bf7 44 Re7 followed by 45 Nb7) 37 d7 Bd5 38 Qd3 Qh5 39 Re8 Qxh2+ (39...Rxe8 40 dxe8/Q+ Qxe8 41 Qxd5 is hopeless for Black) 40 Kel Qg1+ 41 Ke2 Qg2+ 42 Kel Qg1+ 43 Kd2 Qh2+ 44 Qe2 Qf4+ 45 Kc2 1-0 (Since 45...Qf5+ 46 Kb2 leaves Black nothing to hope for)

J WHITEHEAD-DZINDZHASHVILI

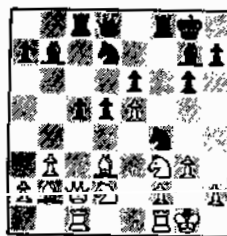
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 (This was a slight surprise for White, who expected 3...Bb4+) 4 a3 Bb7 5 Nc3 d5 6 cxd5 Nxd5 7 e3 (Also very popular is 7 Qc2 trying to

e2-e4 in one move. One way for Black to meet this plan is 7...Nd7 8 e4 Nxc3 9 bxc3 c5 10 Bd3 Qc7 trying to trade queens by cxd4 and Qxc2. White can then try 11 Qb1!?, 11 Qd2!?, or even 11 Bb2!? cxd4 12 cxd4 Qxc2 13 Bxc2 Ba6 14 O-O-O!?) 7...Be7 8 Bb5+ c6 9 Bd3 Nxc3 (In the first round Whitehead [with Black] tried 9...c5 against Browne. White got a slight edge after 10 Nxd5 Qxd5 11 dxc5 Bxc5 12 Bb5+ Ke7 13 Qe2 a5 14 Bd2 Rd8 15 O-O Nc6 16 Bc3 Kf8 17 Racl Qh5 18 e4) 10 bxc3 c5 11 O-O Nc6 12 Qe2 O-O 13 Bb2 Rc8 14 e4 cxd4 15 cxd4 Bf6 16 Rad1 Na5 17 Rfel g6?! (This creates various weak squares. Better was 17...Bc6 when White might try an interesting exchange sacrifice by 18 d5 Ba4 19 e5 Bxd1 20 Rxd1 or 20 Qe4!?) 18 h4! (A fine move. Taking the pawn would leave Black dangerously weak on the dark squares) 18...Bc6 19 Ba6 Ba4 (19...Bb7 20 Bxb7 Nxb7 21 d5 favors White, who would recapture on d5 with his rook) 20 Bxc8 Bxd1 21 Rxd1 Qxc8 22 d5 Bxb2 (Dzindzi offered a draw here but Whitehead refused, knowing he had an advantage and hoping to knock off the tournament leader) 23 Qxb2 exd5 24 exd5 Qf5 25 d6 Rd8 26 Qc3?? (White may be lost after this. Very strong was 26 h5! when 26...Qxh5 would lose to 27 Qf6. After 26 h5 the threat of 27 h6 would give Black many worries and Dzindzi felt that Black might have to try the ugly 26...gxh5!?, though in that case White would have excellent attacking chances) 26...Nb7! 27 Qc6 (Whitehead had originally intended to play 27 Qc7 Rd7 28 Qc8+ Kg7 29 Nd4 Qh5 [29...Qg4 30 f3 etc] 30 Ne6+!, but then noticed that 27 Qc7 is met by the simple 27...Qd7 and so he headed for what he thought was an easy draw) 27...Qd7 28 Ne5 Qxc6 29 Nxc6 Rxd6 30 Rxd6?! (30 Rcl a6 31 Ne7+ and 32 Nc8 may give White better drawing chances) 30...Nxd6 31 Nxa7 Kg7! (Black's king now gets to take over the center. Note that White's knight is almost trapped and must lose a tempo to escape via c6) 32 Nc6 Kf6 33 a4 Nb7! (Stops White from playing a5, and will eventually threaten to go Nc5) 34 f4 (34 Kh2 with the idea of Kg3-f4-g5 is a better try which also eventually loses) 34...Ke6 35 g4 Nc5! 36 a5 Kd6! 37 Ne5 bxa5 38 Nc4+ (38 Nxf7+ Kd5 and the a-pawn queens) 38...Kc6 39 Nxa5 Kb5 0-1 A comic end.

J WHITEHEAD-BENJAMIN

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 (This move has been extremely popular in this tournament, with Benjamin, Gurevich,

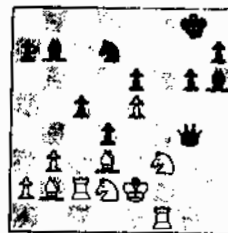
and Albur playing it at every opportunity) 4 Nd2 (A "safe" move which probably doesn't offer very much) 4...d6 (Possible is 4...Qa5 to hinder White from playing e4, but then White would play 5 e4 anyway! After 4...Qa5 5 e4 Nxe4 6 b4! Qxb4 7 Rb1 Qc3 8 Rb3 Qd4 9 Nxe4 Qxe4+ 10 Re3 White would have excellent compensation for the sacrificed material) 5 e4 bxc4 6 Bxc4 (Also possible is 6 Ne2, 7 Nc3, and 8 Nxc4) 6...g6 7 b3 Bg7 8 Bb2 O-O 9 Ngf3 e5 10 dxe6 (This is forced. If White doesn't take Black will play 10...Nh5 and 11...f5 and crush White on the kingside) 10...fxe6 11 e5? (A weak move. White should play 11 Qc2 when 11...d5 12 Bd3 is acceptable) 11...Nh5! (Black now has the advantage) 12 Qc2 d5 13 Bd3 Nd7 (13...Nf4 would be met by 14 Bf1 and 15 g3) 14 g3 Bb7 15 O-O Rc8 16 Racl Nf4!?



After 16...Nf4!?

picks up the knight on d2) 22...Rcf8 23 Nh2? (This

loses, but it is already difficult to find moves for White. Perhaps 23 Rf1!?) 23...Rxf2! 24 Qxf2 Rxf2 25 Kxf2 Qh4+ 26 Ke2 Qxh3 27 Nh3 d4 28 Rf1 Qg4



(White is completely pinned up and is helpless against the Black threat to take the pawn on e5 and advance his own e-pawn to e4) 29 Nc4 Bf4 30 Rf2 Bg3! 31 Rf1 Bxe5 (Threatens 32...Qg2+ 33 Ke1 Bg3+ etc) 32 Ncd2 Bf4 33 Rg1 Qh5 34 Be4 34...Bxe4 35 Nxe4 d3+! 0-1

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College town has tourney in check

By Barnett D. Wolf
Special for USA TODAY

On a typical, sweltering July day in Greenville, Pa., competition means local softball teams slugging it out in Riverside Park.

This week the competition's a bit more intellectual. The 1983 U.S. Invitational Chess Championship is under way at Thiel College on the north edge of town.

Fourteen top American chess players are participating in the \$21,000 round-robin tournament that runs through Saturday. They include seven international grand masters, the highest rank in the world.

Players range in age from Russian-born Anatoly Lein, 52, to Yale student Joel Benjamin, 19, of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Chess is 95 percent of the competitors' lives, says tournament director Richard Verber. "To the saner ones it may be two-thirds."

It's not often a tournament of such prestige and history — past sites include New York, Los Angeles and Chicago — is held in a small dorm on the campus of a small college in a small city.

Like many western Pennsylvania communities, this town of 8,000 has had its share of economic problems.

More than 2,000 workers have been laid off and two major employers have closed in the past five years.

It's been little better for Lutheran-affiliated Thiel: enrollment, once at 1,100, has dropped to about 800.

There's one reason Thiel is hosting the United States Chess Federation's 28th championship in the middle of a downturn: Professor Emeritus Ivan Romanenko, Romanenko, 67, is a national chess master and an



accomplished violinist from Eastern Europe. He learned the game while studying violin at the Leningrad Music School in the late 1920s, and the two interests intertwined.

"I don't know which I love more," Romanenko says. "They are both so much a part of me."

After immigrating to the USA, he was a violinist with the National Symphony Orchestra for 16 years. In 1967, he decided to look for a small town where he could teach music and raise his children. He found Greenville and Thiel College.

By introducing one of the nation's first college chess courses here in 1972, Romanenko got to know some of the chess federation's top brass. He put in a bid for Thiel to host the 1980 championship, pointing to the quiet campus and the lower cost of running a tournament.

Romanenko was the biggest reason Thiel was selected in 1980 and again this year, says Jerald J. Dullea, director of the 52,000-member federation. "He seemed to have a logical option."

Using a low-cost dormitory and cafeteria kept costs down so prize money could be increased.

Walter Browne, 34, a five-time champion grand master from Berkeley, Calif., is one of about 20 players in the world who make a living playing chess, earning as much as \$50,000 a year.

Browne likes the site. "It's peaceful and there aren't too many spectators," he says. A few dozen come to watch from Pittsburgh, Cleveland or Youngstown, Ohio.

But his feeling isn't unanimous among players.

Yassir Seirawan, defending co-champion with Browne, refused to participate here. He says the site's too provincial.

Other players agree.

Before the tourney got under way, they told chess federation officials they'd rather have more luxurious conditions and less prize money.

"Our plan is to do what the players want," Dullea says.

Selected Championship Games by Dick Verber

Round 1.

Shirazi-Dzindzi

One of the most colorful games of the tournament. Despite a poor opening for Shirazi, he is winning after 34. Qa5. Clever tactics during time-pressure lead to a swindle for Dzindzi.

White: Shirazi Black: Dzindzihashvili

1. e4,e5 2. Nf3,Nc6 3. c3,Nf6 4. d4,Ne4 5. d5,Nb8 6. Ne5,Nf6 7. Be2,d6
8. Nf3,Be7 9. o-o,o-o 10. c4,Nbd7 11. Nc3,Ne5 12. Nd4,Re8 13. Re1,Bd7
14. b4,Nce4 15. Nb1,h6 16. f3,Ng5 17. Be3,c5 18. dc,bc 19. Nb3,Qb8
20. a3,c5 21. b5,d5 22. Kh1,dc 23. Bc4,Bd6 24. Nc3,Bh2 25. Nd5,Nh5 26. f4,Nf4
27. Bf4,Re1 28. Qe1,Bf4 29. Ne7,Kh8 30. Bd5,Qb5 31. a4,Qb6 32. Ba8,Qb3
33. Bd5,Qc2 34. Qa5,g6 35. Qd8,Kg7 36. Qd7,Qf2 37. Qg4,h5 38. Nf5,gf
39. Qh5,c4 40. g3,Bd2 41. Bc4,Qd4 42. Rd1,Qc4 43. Rd2, Qf1. 0-1

Benjamin-DeFirmian

A two-edged Benoni masterfully played by young Joel Benjamin as White. DeFirmian's 14. Nh5 is reminiscent of the famous Benoni from the 1972 Fischer-Spassky World Championship Match -- although Fischer won that game as Black. Improvements have since been found for White. Note the precision with which Benjamin limits Black's counterplay. A fascinating game between two of this country's most promising younger players.

White: Benjamin Black: De Firmian

1. d4,Nf6 2. c4,e6 3. Nf3,c5 4. d5,ed 5. cd,d6 6. Nc3,g6 7. e4,Bg7
8. Nd2,o-o 9. Be2,Re8 10. o-o,Nhd7 11. a4,Ne5 12. Re1,a6 13. Qc2,Rb8
14. a5,Nh5 15. Bh5,gh 16. Nd1,Bd7 17. Ne3, Qf6 18. Rg3,Re7 19. h3,Rbc8
20. Qd1,h4 21. Rf1,Ng6 22. Ncc4,Nf4 23. Qf3,Bb5 24. Re3,Bh6 25. h3,Qg6
26. Rfe1,Bd7 27. Kh1,Nh5 28. Nd6,Be3 29. Re3,Qd6 30. Qh5,Qf4 31. Rf3,Re5
32. Qh7,Kh 33. Rf4,f5 34. f3,Kg6 35. Rh4,Bb5 36. Bb2,R5e7 37. Rf4,Rf7
38. Kh2,Bd3 39. Kg3,Ree7 40. Rf5,time 1-0

Alburt-Kudrin

This game won the award for best "Swindle". Kudrin's attack which leads to perpetual-check seems to delevop out of thin air after 27. Be5.

White: Alburt Black: Kudrin

1. d4,Nf6 2. c4,e6 3. Nf3,c5 4. d5,ed 5. cd,d6 6. Nc3,g6 7. e4,Bg7
8. Be2,a6 9. a4,Bg4 10. Bf4,o-o 11. o-o,Bf3 12. Bf3,Qe7 13. e5,de
14. Jb,Qe6 15. Bg5,Ne6 16. Bf6,Bf6 17. Bc6,bc 18. Ne4,Rfd8 19. Qe2,a5
20. Rfd1,Bg7 21. Nc5,Qe8 22. Racl,Rab8 23. Qa6,c4 24. d7,Qe7 25. Qe6,c3
26. fe,Rb2 27. Nb7,Be5 28. Re2,Rd7 29. Rd7,Rb1 30. Kf2,Qh4 31. g3,Qh2
32. Qg2,Bg3 33. Kf3,Qh5 34. Kg3,Qe5 35. Kf2,Qf5 36. Kg3,Qe5 37. Kf2, 1-1/2

Round 2.

Christiansen-Soltis

A very well-played endgame by Christiansen. Soltis' pieces become tangled up. Soltis felt that his 20. h6 was the source of all later trouble. In a later game versus Lev Alburt, Soltis played an improvement in a similar position. equalizing.

White: Christiansen Black: Soltis

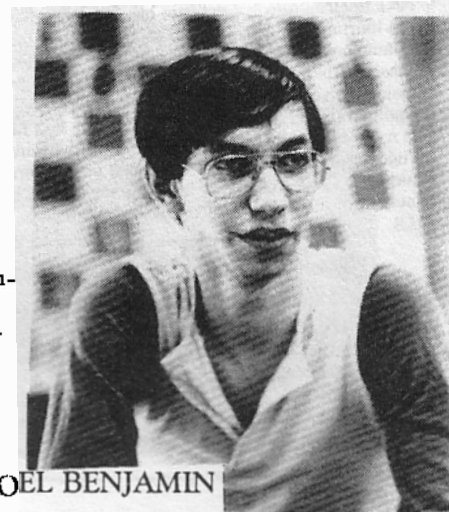
1. d4,Nf6 2. c4,d6 3. Nc3,Nbd7 4. e4,e5 5. d5,Be7 6. Be3,o-o 7. f3,c6
8. Qd2,a6 9. Bd3,cd 10. cd,Nc5 11. Bc2,a5 12. Nge2,a4 13. o-o,Qa5
14. Nc1,Bd7 15. Nd3,Nd3 16. Bd3,Rfc8 17. Rfc1,Be8 18. Ne2,Bd8 19. Qa5,Ba5
20. g4,h6 21. Ng3,Bd7 22. Kf2,Kf8 23. h4,Ne8 24. a3,Bd8 25. g5,bg 26. hg,Nc7
27. f4,ef 28. Bf4,Kc7 29. Rh1,Ne8 30. Be3,Bc7 31. Bd4,g6 32. Rh7,Bb8
33. Kc3, 1-0

Kudrin-Browne

One of Walter's best games of the tournament. An interesting Sicilian leads to middle-game fireworks.

White: Kudrin Black: Browne

1. e4,c5 2. Nf3,d6 3. d4,cd 4. Nd4,NE6 5. Nc3,a6 6. a4,e6 7. Bc4,Nc6 8. o-o,Be7
9. Be3,o-o 10. Kh1,Re8 11. Ba2,Nb4 12. Bb3,e5 13. Nde2,Be6 14. Nd5,Nbd5
15. ed,Bf5 16. a5,Nd7 17. Ba4,Rf8 18. b4,Rc8 19. Bb3,Bg5 20. Qd2,Be3 21. fe,Qg5
22. e4,Nf6 23. Ng3,Bg6 24. Racl,h5 25. Bc2,Rc4 26. Bg6,Rc1 27. Bf7,Rf7 28. Qe1,g6
29. Qc2,Qg4 30. Qd3,Kg7 31. b5,hb 32. Qb5,h4 33. Ne2,Qe4 34. Ng1,Qe3 35. h3,Qe4
36. ab,ba 37. Qa6,Qd5 38. Qa3,Qe4 39. Qb3,d5 40. Nf3,Nh5 41. Re1,Rf3. 0-1



JOEL BENJAMIN

Joel Benjamin won the U.S. Junior Championship in 1980 and 1982, also tying in 1983 (he skipped that event in 1981 to play in the Championship). He earned his International Master spurs in 1980. Later this summer Joel will head the U.S. team at the World Youth Team Championship in Chicago, and then will start his junior year at Yale, where he is a history major. He captured every scholastic chess title, from elementary to high school, during his rise to the top. He is now third on the U.S. rating list.



KAMRAN SHIRAZI

Kamran Shirazi earned his International Master title while competing for Iran in 1978. Having declared his desire for citizenship, he is competing in his first Championship. A fixture at weekend tournaments in California, Shirazi is always well up in the Grand Prix standings. He has tied for first in the three largest money tournaments of this year: the \$100,000 New York Open, the \$24,000 Memorial Day Classic, and the \$57,000 World Open. Shirazi is an extremely dangerous competitor who feels right at home in the most unusual positions.



NICK deFIRMIAN

Nick deFirmian will celebrate his 26th birthday during the tournament. This is his first appearance in the Championship. He was awarded the International Master title in 1979. He has firsts to his credit in many major tournaments, including the U.S. Open, World Open, and American Open, and recently tied for first in a strong international event at Vrnjacka Banja, Yugoslavia. Nick has been described as "the epitome of laid-back California cool," but his games often become tactical melees. He is currently rated fourth in the U.S.

Dzindzi-Alburt

A beautiful positional win for Dzindzi. Many players thought this Dzindzi's best game of the tournament. Others preferred his impressive win against Benjamin.

- White: Dzindzishvili Black: Alburt
 1. Nf3,Nf6 2. b3,d5 3. Bb2,Bg4 4. e3,e6 5. h3,Bh5 6. d3,Nbd7 7. Nbd2,c6
 8. Be2,a5 9. a3,b6 10. o-o,Bg6 11. c4,Be7 12. Bc3,o-o 13. b4,dc 14. dc,ab
 15. ab,Qb6 16. Qb3,Rfc8 17. Rfd1,Ra1 18. Ra1,Qd8 19. Ra7,Ra8 20. Qa2,Ra7
 21. Qa7,Qc8 22. Nb3,Ne4 23. Be1,e5 24. h5,Nd6 25. Bc3,f6 26. Nfd2,Bf7
 27. Bf3,Bd8 28. Ba5,Be7 29. Bb6,e5 30. Na5,Nb6 31. Qb6,Qf8 32. Nh7,Nc4
 33. Nc4,Bc4 34. Qc6,Kh8 35. b6,Bf7 36. Na5,Bd6 37. Bd5,Be8 38. Qc8,c4
 39. Nc4, 1-0

Round 2.

Whitehead-Benjamin

Benjamin's amazing Knight sacrifice may be singled - out as the most brilliant move from the 1983 Championship. Whitehead's 23. Nh2 is an error which loses but it is unclear how he should continue.

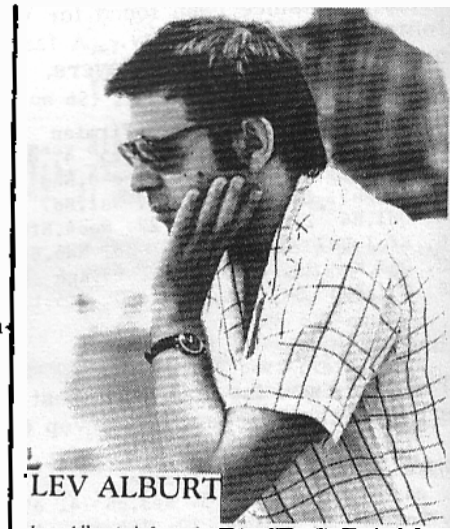
- White: Whitehead Black: Benjamin
 1. d4,Nf6 2. c4,c5 3. d5,b5 4. Nd2,d6 5. e4,be 6. Bc4,g6 7. b3,Bg7
 8. Bb2,o-o 9. Ngf3,e5 10. de,fe 11. e5,Nh5 12. Qc2,d5 13. Bd3,Nd7 14. g3,Bb7
 15. o-o,Rc8 16. Rgc1,Nf4 17. gf,Rf4 18. Rfe1,Qf8 19. Qd1,Bh6 20. h3,Rf7
 21. Qc2,Qe7 22. Rc2,Rcf8 23. Nh2,Rf2 24. Qf2,Rf2 25. Kf2,Qh4 26. Ke2,Qh3
 27. Nhf3,d4 28. Rf1,Qf4 29. Nc4,Bf4 30. Rf2,Bg3 31. Rf1,Be5 32. Ncd2,Bf4
 33. Rg1,Qh5 34. Be4,Be4 35. Ne4,d3. 0-1

Round 6

DeFirmian-Tarjan

A beautiful attack by DeFirmian. DeFirmian's very aggressive play was a constant joy for the spectators. Analysis after the game indicates that Black's troubles may be terminal after 16. Ra4.

- White: DeFirmian Black: Tarjan
 1. e4,c5 2. Nf3,d6 3. d4,ed 4. Nd4,Nf6 5. Nc3,b6 6. Bg5,Ne6 7. Bf6,gf
 8. Be4,Qb6 9. Nde2,Bg7 10. 0-0,0-0 11. Bb3,f5 12. Ng3,fe 13. Nee4,Na5
 14. Re1,Nb3 15. ab,Bb2 16. Ra4,Bg7 17. Nh5,de5 18. Qd3,f5 19. Ng5,Qc6
 20. Rc4,Qe8 21. Rh4,Qg6 22. f4,Bd7 23. Rh3,Kh8 24. fe,Qe5 25. e6,Be6
 26. Qd4,Rf6 27. Nf4,Rg8 28. Rh5,Qg4 29. Rc3,Be4 30. Reh3,Rg7 31. R3h4,Qf3
 32. Rh7,Rh7 33. Rh7,1-0



LEV ALBURT

Lev Alburt defected from the Soviet Union to the U.S. in 1979. A Grandmaster since 1977, Alburt holds a doctorate in physics and natural philosophy. He has represented the U.S. in the last two Olympiads, playing top board in 1980. Alburt has had many successes in both foreign and domestic competition, most recently tying for first in the \$100,000 New York Open last April. He is also well known as an opening theoretician and a teacher. Alburt is second on the current U.S. rating list.

Round 10.

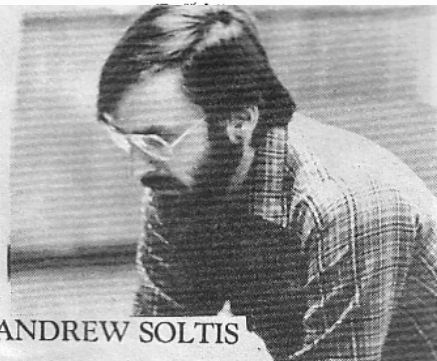
Tarjan-Benjamin

This Benko Gambit has theoretical importance. Tarjan's play represents the "state of the art" in this variation.

- White: Tarjan Black: Benjamin
 1. d4,Nf6 2. e4,c5 3. d5,b5 4. eb,d6 5. e3,g6 6. Ne3,Bg7 7. Nf3,c6
 8. a4,Bb7 9. a3,ee 10. de,fe 11. ed6,de8 12. Be2,Ne8 13. Qg3,d5 14. 0-0,Nf6
 15. Gh3,Qe8 16. Rd1,ea7 17. Ng5,Be8 18. Ba4,na 19. Nd5,ed 20. Be8, B-
 21. Ra3,h6 22. Be7,de8 23. Bdb,Nab 24. Ra5,Rab 25. e4,Rd8 26. Nf3,b5
 27. c3,c4 28. Bg5,Qf7 29. Ke5,c3 30. be,b3 31. Rh5,ge4 32. Na4,Qa4
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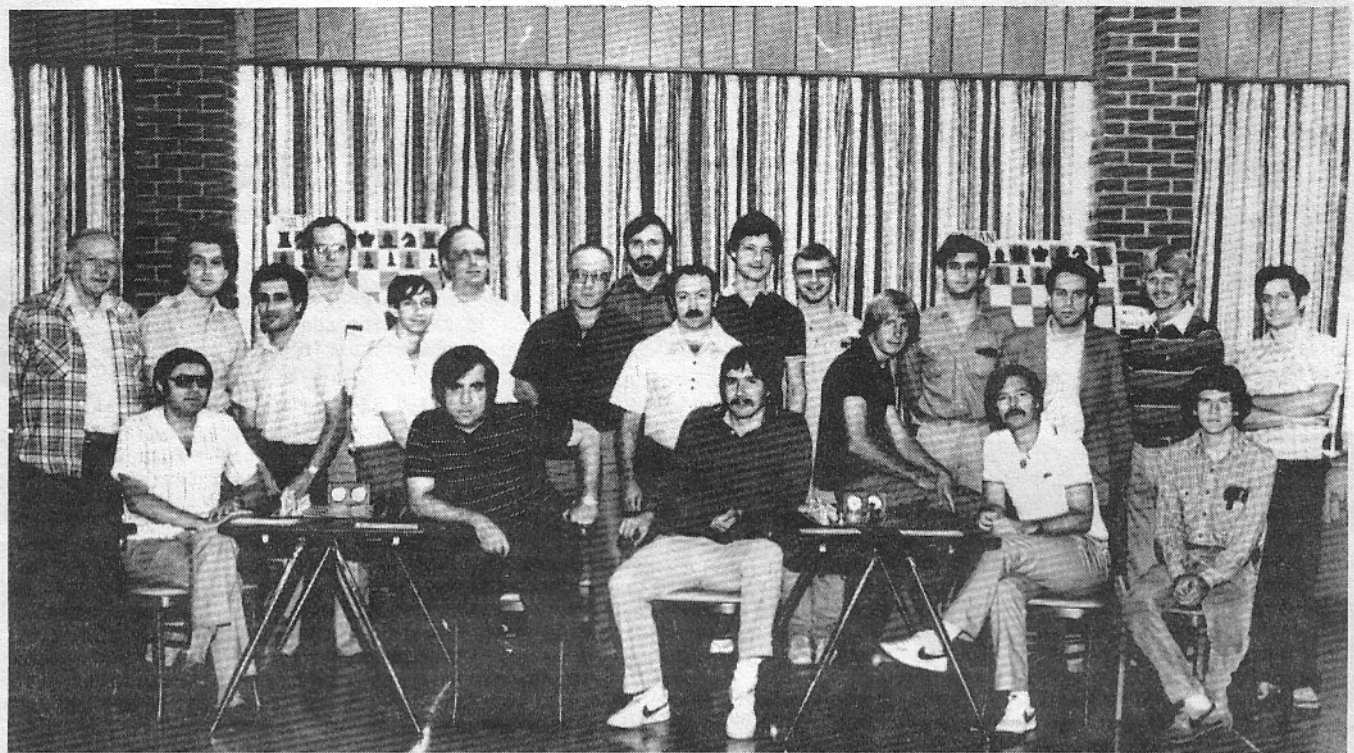
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Seated (left to right) Lev Alburt, Joel Benjamin, Roman Dzinzibashvili, Larry Christiansen, Nick DeFirmian, Walter Browne, Wall-board Boy, Standing (left to right) Dr. Craig Crenshaw, Sergei Kudrin, Dimitry Gurevich, Walter Brown-T.D., Richard Verber-Chief T.D., Anatoly Lein, Andy Soltis, Boris Kogan, Jay Whitehead, Wall-board boy, John Fedorowitz (Tarjan's Second), Jim Tarjan, Dan Stenson - Chief T.D.'s Assistant, Wallboard boy.



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1-3	Walter Browne	1/2	1/2		1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	1	1	1	1/2	1/2	9-4
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5-6	Dimitry Gurevich	1/2	1/2	0	0		1/2	1	1	0	1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1	7-6
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8-9	Lev Alburt	1/2	0	0	0	1	1/2	1/2	1/2		1/2	0	1/2	1	1	6-7
10	Jay Whitehead	1/2	0	0	0	1/2	0	1/2	1/2	1/2		1	1	1/2	1/2	5 1/2
11	Kamran Shirazi	0	0	0	0	0	0	1/2	1/2	1	0		1	1	1	5-8
12	Sergei Kudrin	0	1/2	0	1	1/2	0	1	1	1/2	0	0		1/2	0	5-8
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Upset Prize winner Ted Wengert (left) meets Eric Meyer in the last round.



Relief in sight for tourney organizer Helen Warren and TD Bob Bain.



Billy Colias from Indiana.... coming back and looking good...



Mark Wisniewski (left) and Chris Firestone square off in round five....

With an average rating of 1864 the 1983 Illinois Junior Invitational was the strongest ever. Junior 'veterans' Chachere and Chow came out on top, but young Adam Lief proved he was the one to watch....

Al Chow and Larry Chachere Take IL Jr. Invitational

by Helen Warren

95 degree temperatures made it as much an endurance test as a chess tournament. And the pungent odor of newly laid carpeting added to the challenge. Somehow twenty-six juniors managed five rounds of spirited chess and more than one exciting game.

"It's the only title I haven't won yet," advised Albert Chow at the start of play. Illinois Open Champion, Greater Chicago winner, top man in the last IL Class--and fresh from a super performance in the Michigan Futurity at Ann Arbor--Albert Chow took first on tiebreak ahead of Larry Chachere when Adam Lief bested Expert Steve Szpisjak in a greuling six hour struggle. Chess professional Al Chow sailed through his first three contests with brisk wins over Mark Dejmek (1826), Chris Firestone (1938), and Adam Lief (2010) before he yielded a draw to Larry Chachere. Expert Peter Bereolos fell victim to Chow in the last round. Northwestern University sophomore Larry Chachere posted an identical track record, winning his first three from Robert McQuown (1800), Kevin Gensler (1936) and Steve Szpisjak (2147) and his final victory over Billy Colias (2139) in the night cap.

Sixth seeded Adam Lief's sole loss was to Chow in round three. Put it was his last round marathon win over Szpisjak in a two bishops vs two knights contest that gave him sole possession of third place. (See games.)

The prize fund for this state championship was guaranteed this year; first place and second place money was shared by co-titlists Chow and Chachere: \$125 each, while Adam Lief collected \$75 for third. The Upset Prize, a \$25 gift from Gerry Esposito donated in memory of his son Tim, went to Ted Wengert of Poplar Grove. A \$15 book certificate for player coming farthest was won by Robert McQuown whose trek from Springfield paid off. Two chess programs donated by Odesta software for the Apple and Atari computers were won by Brian Ruggiero and Dwight Bullard. Best Game, Best Endgame, and Hardest Fought Draw prizes (the latter two donated by Fred Gruenberg) have yet to be determined.

Class prizes, Top A, were won by Mark Wisniewski of Tinley Park and Eric Meyer of Evanston; Dean Andreakis of Munster, IN and Ted Wengert shared the Class B prize. All players received a complimentary chess book.

Rob Bain did his customary smooth job of directing. We'll have crosstable from USCF in time for our next issue.

It's come-back time for Indiana Expert Billy Colias. He started off in convincing fashion.

Colias (2139)-LaFleur (1757) Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 Bc5+ Nc6 4 O-O Qc7 5 c3 a6 6 Ba4 Bg4 7 d4 b5 8 Bb3 Nf6 9 Be3 Nxe4 10 dc Nxc5 11 Bxf7+ Qxf 12 Ng5+ Ke8 13 Qxg4 Qd7 14 Qf3 e5 15 Bxc5 dc 16 Rd1 Bc3 17 Ne4 and Black Resigns 1-0

In another Sicilian Steve Szpisjak makes his mark.

Schremser (1761)-S Szpisjak (2147)

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e6 6 Ndb5 d6 7 Bf4 e5 8 Bg5 a6 9 Bxf6 of 10 Na3 b5 11 Nd5 f5 12 Bxc5 at 13 Nxb5 Qa5+ 14 b4 Nxb4 15 Ndc7+ Kd8 16 c3 Rb8 17 Qd2 Na6 18 Rd1 Rxb5 19 Nxb5 Qxb5 20 ef f6 21 f4 Bxf5 22 fe Qxe5+ 23 Kf2 Nc5 and White resigned 0-1

Meanwhile Larry Chachere was starting his march...

Chachere (2177)-McQuown (1800)

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Bg5 Be7 5 e3 O-O 6 Qc2 c6 7 cd ed 8 Bd3 Nbd7 9 Nf3 Re8 10 O-O-O Nf8 11 Rdg1 Ne4 12 Bxe7 Qxe7 13 g4 f5 14 Ne5 Qh4 15 Rg2 Nxc3 16 bc fg 17 Rhg1 Re7 18 Bf5 Bxf5 19 Qxf5 Ne6 20 Rxg4 Qxh2 21 Qxe6+ Rxe6 22 Rxe7+ Kf8 23 Rf7+ and Black resigned 1-0

The higher rated dominated round one except for Bill Myers' (1757) draw with Peter Bereolos (2135), but in round two Eric Meyer (1913) took a point from Indiana junior Billy Colias. In the third round Mark Wisniewski (1976) battled Eric Meyer in an English.

Wisniewski-Meyer 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 Nf3 d6 6 O-O 0-0 7 d3 Nbd7 8 Qc2 Ne8 9 b4 f5 10 Bb2 Ndf6 11 Nd2 c6 12 Nf3 Be6 13 b5 Qc7 14 bc bc 15 Ba3 h6 16 Rfc1 Rf7 17 Rab1 Rac8 18 Qa4 f4 19 Nd2 Bg4 20 Nde4 Nxe4 21 Bxe4 Kh7 22 Rc2 Qd7 23 Rcb2 Rc7 24 Rb7 fg 25 hg

Master Challenge V

This year's edition of the Master Challenge, held June 24-26, saw a record high 157 entrants, and a sizzling last round battle between IM Leonid Bass and IL Champ Albert Chow. A lot of players also became quite steamed, but I'll get to that later.

As always, this event attracted a lot of strong play-



Leonid Bass, feeling the heat?

ers. 3 Senior Masters (Bass, FM Michael Brooks, and Leonid Kaushansky), 13 Masters, and 28 Experts served as the cannon fodder for rating gains. Notable among the early upsets were Adolph Rodriguez's (1996) downing of Chuck Kramer (2278) and James Ellis (2206) in the first two rounds, as well as 15 year-old David Rajendran's (1652) victories in rounds 2 and 3 over Wallace Bates (1956) and Peter Pelts (2234).

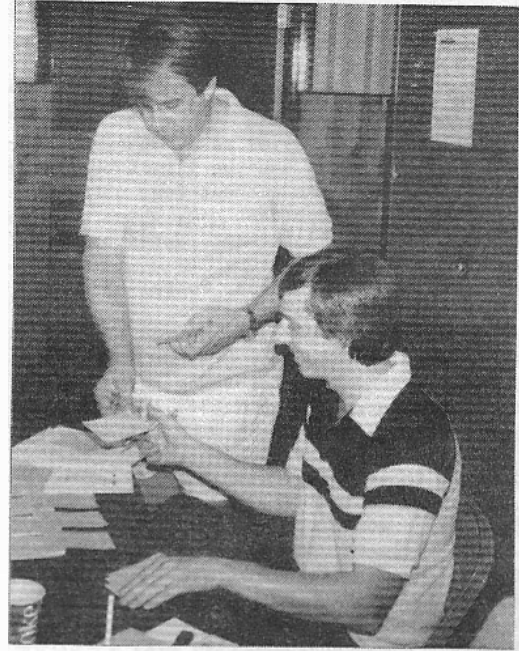
Entering the 4th round there were 8 perfect scores. Every game between these leaders proved decisive, as Bass beat Ken Mohr, Brooks edged Sheldon Gelbart, Marvin Dandridge beat Erik Karklins (who had upset Dr. Martinovsky in the 3rd round), and Chow stopped Rajendran. Meanwhile, Kaushansky was trying to reach 3.5-0.5, but unexpectedly failed to show up for his 4th round game versus Bob Bain.

So the last round saw some exciting pairings on the top boards, as Bass met Chow and Dandridge tested Brooks. Chow castled queenside early in the Black side of a Tchigorin Defence, an unusual choice of opening meant to take Bass out of the heart of his opening preparation. But Leonid made a very deep piece sacrifice that should have been virtually decisive, if not for a few careless moves. Chow reached a drawable ending down a queen for a rook and knight, and then the astonishing happened. Trying too hard to win, Bass got his king and queen tangled up and caught in a corner, and Chow was actually able to win!

Meanwhile Brooks was outscrambling Dandridge in time pressure to take a share of first with Chow. And on board 3, David Sprenkle snuck into clear 3rd. at 4.5-0.5 by downing Scott Zingheim.

Murray Newcomb and Bill Harrison both scored 4-1 to split the A prize. Newcomb knocked off Dale Kenkel (2266) and Karklins, while Harrison beat two Experts. James Scherer and Larry Cohen were top B at 3.5-1.5, while Mario Bartocci and Luis Ferrer shared the C prize with 3-2. There was a 3-way tie for the D prize between Henderson Johnson, Murrell Selden, and John Apostolopoulos, all at 2.5-2.5. All the class prize winners had very fine scores, with multiple upsets.

One problem marred an otherwise fine event, the air conditioning broke down at the Mohr Community Center on one of the most miserable weekends of the summer. Not many players withdrew, but bared chests and sweaty towels were common sights. Even the normally dapper Dr. Martinovsky was flaunting his physique. Look for next year's Master Challenge VI flyers to emphasize air conditioning rather than the list of attending masters!



Thanks go to the Oak Park Chess Club and tournament directors Chris Musgrave and Erv Sedlock for setting up a fine tournament. Next year's edition could be even more successful.

(Editor's note: Al Chow was going to deal with his victory over Bass in his column, "Under the Microscope". Unfortunately the copy arrived too late to appear in this issue, but it will undoubtedly appear next time.)

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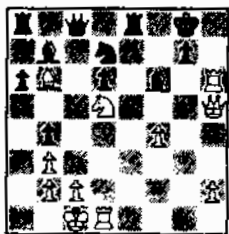
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FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

Postal chess often serves as an opening laboratory, since both players can use the latest opening manuals right off their shelves without fear of censure. Here is a theoretically important game which will no doubt appear in a upcoming Informant. Notes by Mikael Hansen.

Mikael Hansen-George Fawbush Postal 82-83 Sicilian

1 e5 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bc4 Nc6 7 Be3 Be7 8 Qe2 O-O 9 O-O a6 10 Bb3 Qc7 11 g4 Nd7 12 Rhg1 Na5 (Combining ...O-O and ...Na5 seems dubious to me) 13 g5 Nxb3+ 14 axb3 b5 15 f4 (The most promising plan) 15...b4 16 Nf5 exf5 17 Nd5 Qd8 18 exf5 Re8 19 g6 (Chess Informant 22, game 430 mentions 19 f6 as being favorable for White. However, I find that hard to believe) 19...fxg6 20 fxg6 Bf6 21 Qh5 hxg6 22 Rxxg6 Bb7 23 Bb6! TN (Informant 26, game 407, most likely the source of my opponent, gives 20...Bf6 as well as 22...Bb7 exclamation points, and proceeds with a variation beginning with 23 Nxf6+, which leads to an unclear game) 23...Qc8 (23...Nxb6 leads to a disastrous position instantly, e.g. 24 Nxf6+ Kf8 25 Qxb8+ Ke7 26 Qxxg7+, or 24...Kf7 25 Rh6+ Ke6 26 Reit+) 24 Rh6!!

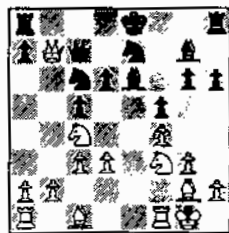


After 24 Rh6!!

Here is the key contest from this year's Illinois Invitational. Notes by the winner.

Illinois Invitational Sicilian
Eugene Martinovsky(2348)-Leonid Kaushansky(2439)

1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 d3 d6 6 f4 Nd4 7 Nd5 (Unusual but good. 7 Nce2 is also good) 7...e6 8 Ne3 f5 (I am not sure this is best here. I think 8...Ne7 9 c3 Ndc6 was better) 9 c3 Nc6 10 exf5! (This move either weakens Black's central squares, particularly d5, or results in the loss of castling after 10...gxf5 11 Qh5+) 10...exf5 11 Nf3 Nge7 12 O-O Qb6 (Prevents White's queen from getting on the a2-g8 diagonal) 13 Qa4 h6 14 Nc4 Qc7 15 Qb3 Be6? (After some manoeuvring White managed to get his queen on the a2-g8 diagonal. This would not have been tragic for Black if he played 15...Rb8. The text move is an oversight) 16 Qxb7!



After 16 Qxb7!

seem too efficient to me. The text move unseats the bishop at d5, but creates a hole on d4. Some combinations and tactics now occur) 21...Nb4 22 Qb5+ Bc6 23

24...gxxh6 25 Nxf6+ Kf8 (25...Nxf6 loses to 26 Qg6+ Kh8 27 Qxf6+ Kh7 28 Qf7+ Kh8 29 Bd4+) 26 Nh7+ Ke7 (26...Kg7 27 Rg1+ Kh8 28 Bd4+ Ne5 29 Qxxh6) 27 Re1+ Ne5 28 Re5+! dxe5 29 Qxe5+ Qe6 (29...Kd7 30 Nf6+ Kc6 31 Qc5 mate, or 29...Kf7 30 Qf6+ Kg8 31 Qg6+ Kh8 32 Bd4+ Re5 33 Bxe5 mate) 30 Qc7+ Qd7 31 Bc5+ Ke6 32 f5+! Kd5 33 Nf6 mate

Nxc6 Nxc6 24 Rfel (This is a mistake. But I couldn't quite see to the end after 24 d4, which is the thematic move here to expose the Black king. Subsequent analysis showed that 24 d4 was the right move, for example: 24 d4 a6! 25 Qb3 Na5 26 Qd3 Naxc4 27 dxc5 Nxb2 28 cxb6 and White should win. There are other lines here, some very complicated, but it seems all favor White substantially. But when you are a pawn up with an exposed enemy king you get shy of risks, especially when things look complicated and unclear. So here by making a more conservative move I lost a lot of my advantage) 24...a6 25 Qb3 Rxe1+ 26 Rxe1 Re8 27 a3 Bf6 28 Qc2 Qd8 29 Rxe8 (The rooks are now gone and the importance of Black's exposed king is diluted. I decided to exchange the rooks here because I had a play on Black's undefended knight at c6 in case of ...Kxe8, and a play on the undefended knight at b6 in case of ...Qxe8) 29...Qxe8 30 b4 Nd4 31 Nxd4 Bxd4 32 Qd1 (On 32 Bxd4 Qe1+ is somewhat unpleasant. Still this was, in retrospect, better than what I did because I allowed Black's queen to take possession of the very long and important a1-h8 diagonal) 32...Bxf2+ 33 Kxf2 Qh8! (Black has survived the battle in the center in spite of his king and has attained substantial activity for his queen) 34 Qb3 Qd4+ 35 Ke2 Kc7 36 bxc5 dxc5 37 Qb1 g5 38 fxg5 hxg5 39 a4 f4 40 gxf4 gxf4 41 a5 Qe3+ 42 Kf1 Nd7 (White has managed to protect his king from checks, and has managed to create problems for the Black king. I'm not sure whether or not Black's kingside pawn advances were good. Maybe Black could have done something better) 43 Qb7+ Kd8 44 Qa8+ Kc7 45 Qe4 Qd2 46 h4 Kd8 47 Bh3 Nf6 (Black changes the pattern and succeeds in getting the a5 pawn without giving up his f4 pawn) 48 Qe2! (The best move. It gives up the a5 pawn, but puts the White



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queen in a very active position with unexpected threats) 48...Qxa5 49 Qb2! Ne8 (This move loses the knight in an unexpected way. However 47...Nd7 most likely also loses: 48 Qh8+ Kc7 49 Qg7 Qa4 50 Kel Kd8 51 Qxd7+ Qxd7 52 Bxd7 Kxd7 53 h5 Ke7 54 h6 Kf7 55 h7! Kg7 56 d4! a5 57 dxc5 a4 58 c6 a3 59 c7 a2 60 h8/Q! Kxh8 61 c8/Q+ and White wins. This line is not really airtight, maybe Black has some other tries. But it is clear that White is either winning or getting close to winning) 50 Qb8+ Ke7 51 Qe5+ Kd8 52 Qg5+! Kc7 53 Qe7+ Kb6 54 Qxe8 (54 Qd8+ does not lead to a mate or a bigger material gain, for example: 54...Nc7 55 Qb8+ Kc6 5 Bg2+ Kd7 and White gets nothing) 54...Qa1+ 55 Ke2 Ka5 (Black will get some chances now due to the attack by his own king!) 56 Qd8+ Ka4 57 Qb6 Qe5+ 58 Kd1 (It looked logical to me that I should bring my king to the queenside to help mate Black's king. Now if 58...Qa1+ 59 Ke2 Qa2+ 60 Qb2 and White wins. But Black plays better) 58...Ka3! 59 Qxa6+ Kb3 60 Bg4 Qe3! (This excellent move makes White's victory questionable in spite of the extra piece! Black's queen and

HOW TO PREPARE FOR AND WIN A MATCH
by John Tomas

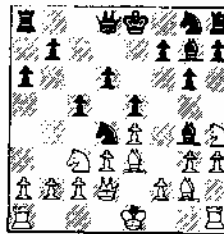
(This is the long overdue conclusion to John Tomas' article on his match with Sheldon Gelbart, John picks up the action after his victory in game one. Readers should check the Dec.-Jan. 1983 ICB for part I of this article)

Obviously I was elated with the result of this game. I had taken an opening advantage, increased it, and turned it into a material advantage which I exploited with exemplary technique. But I also realized that such elation could easily work against me. In a match against a strong opponent the result of any single game can be of little significance. After all there's another tomorrow and one the day after that. My match strategy emphasized putting Gelbart under maximum pressure early in the match by taking chances with Black. However, my first win was so easy that I might become overconfident and overconfidence mixed with provocative play makes for a dangerous brew.

Moreover, I had to wonder what Gelbart had prepared for me. He had access to even more of my games than I did of his, and I was pretty sure that he would enlist the help of two area masters: Kurt Stein and Steve Tennant. Although this was a formidable match team I didn't really believe that Gelbart would listen to it very much. Stein plays 1 e4 almost exclusively as does Gelbart, but Stein interprets it very aggressively, and I couldn't really see Gelbart shifting to that style of play. Tennant's style was closer to Gelbart's, but he plays 1 d4. If I were Sheldon I would have played 1 d4 in my first White game just to cross my opponent's match strategy up, but once again I didn't really believe he would do it.

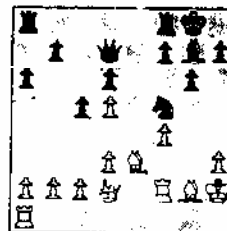
S. Gelbart-J. Tomas, Match 1982 Closed Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 Nc3 (This came as a slight surprise. Objectively it can hardly be particularly threatening since it enables Black to avoid the Bg5 lines of the Najdorf after 3...a6 4 d4 cxd4 5 Nxd4 e6. Of course this matters very little to Gelbart since he avoids sharp, analyzed lines like the plague anyway. His idea is connected to 3...Nf6 4 e5 dxe5 5 Nxe5 with a slightly freer game) 3...a6 4 g3 (This transposition to the Closed Sicilian is punchless. White's king knight is misplaced on f3 since now Black can exchange it with ...Bg4 when a piece will block White's f-pawn) 4...Nc6 5 Bg2 g6?! (My only excuse for this inaccuracy is that Fischer once made it too! I knew that 5...Bg4! 6 h3 Bxf3 7 Qxf3 g6 8 d3 Bg7 9 O-O Nf6 10 g4 Rc8 11 Ne2 b5 12 Bd2 Nd7 was good for Black; I even knew the reference, Balashov-Saidy, Tallin 73. My move aims at the same type of position but fails, as Fischer found out, to 6 d4! when he had to play the dubious 6...Bg4 since 6...cxd4 7 Nxd4 gives White a known position in which Black has wasted a move on the useless ...a6. Kurajica-Fischer, Zagreb 70 went 7 axc5 dxc5 8 Be3 Qa5 9 O-O Bg7 10 Bd2 Rd8 11 Nd5 Qa4 12 Qc1 Qxe4 13 Ng5 Qe5 14 Bf4 and although he later lost, White has more than sufficient play for his pawn. However Gelbart was moving quickly and was not alert to the possibility) 6 d3 Bg7 7 Be3 Nd4 (Again White was threatening d4) 8 Qd2?! (This is considered dubious as Gelbart well knew because of 8...Bh3! supposedly winning an exchange. No one has explained to me however, how Black forces a win after 9 Bxd4! cxd4 [9...Bxg2 10 Bxg7 Bxh1 11 Ng1 wins material] 10 Bxh3 dxc3 11 bxc3 Qa5 12 e5! Undoubtedly Black has the better game here though, and this is certainly the position I should have gone for) 8...Bg4 9 Nh4!? (This was played quickly and leads to very interesting positions) 9...e5 (Richard Verber suggested another idea: 9...Bf6!? 10 h3 Bd7! [Not 10...Bxh4? 11 hxg4 Bf6 12 g5 with a clear advantage for White] 11 Nf3 with a double-edged position. My move is more thematic as well as being safer. It solidifies my center and makes White's knight on h4 an issue) 10 h3



After 10 h3

Black's bishop unnecessary scope) 12...exf4! 13 gxf4 (Neither this nor 13 Bxf4 h6! 14 Nf3 Qd7 15 Kh2 Nec6 is fully adequate. It is obvious that White's misplaced knight on h4 has caused him to lose the initiative) 13...Nec6! (Tempo 1!) 14 Nf3 Nxf3+ 15 Rxf3 Nd4 (Tempo 2) 16 Rf2 (White is trying to retain the possibility of an eventual f5. If he tries 16 Rg3 he runs into ...Bf6! when the threat of ...Bh4 virtually forces the exchange of bishop for knight, since pawn sacrifices like 17 f5?! or 17 e5?! dxe5 18 Ne4 simply leave Black a pawn up) 16...Qd7 (Tempo 3) 17 Kh2 O-O (Just about now I realized I had the better game: my bishops are active, my knight has a fine outpost, and White's center pawns will prove weak after an eventual ...f5 and ...fxe4. Still, White is far from lost) 18 Nd5?? (It may seem strange to assign a double question mark to 18 Nd5, which after all doesn't actually lose material, but for a master Nd5 is fully as grave a blunder as putting a piece "en prise". In one move White transforms his position from slightly inferior to totally lost) 18...Bxd5! 19 exd5 Nf5



After 19...Nf5

best defence with 21 Rf3!, but Black has many lines leading to an advantage. One such is 21...Rfe8 22 Re1 Nh4 23 Rg3 [23 Rf2 Bh6!] 23...Nxxg2 24 Rxxg2 [24 Kxxg2 Bh6 25 f5 Bxe3 26 Qxe3 Qd7!+ while 24 Qxg2 is met by Bh6!+] 24...Bh6 and Black will win the f-pawn) 21...Bh6! (The threat is simple enough, taking on e3 followed by ...Bxf4+. If 22 Bxc5 Bxf4+ 23 Qxf4 Qxe2 and White doesn't have enough for the exchange) 22 Rf1 (After 10 minutes thought, but it's too late) 22...Rae8 23 Rf3 Nxe3 24 Khl (to trap the knight, but...) 24...Nc4! 25 Rxe7 Nxd2 26 Rxe8 Rxe8 O-1 (After 27 Rf2 Rel+ 28 Kh2 c4! insures the knight's escape)

This devastating loss effectively ended the match. Now Gelbart had to win both his White games AND draw his remaining Black games just to draw the match. In his best form he might have managed it, but obviously he was not in his best form. The second game indicated just how badly the shock of the first game had demoralized him. Not only did he miss chances to defend, he also took barely an hour for a complex game and much of that when he was already lost.

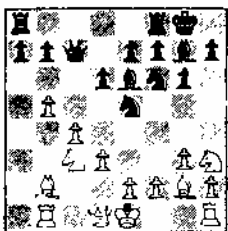
Even though Gelbart was obviously demoralized, my job was no less complex. There was a six day break between the second and third games, more than enough time for Gelbart to recover, so I turned my energies to deciding the best way to play my next White. In a longer match, I would have kept attacking Gelbart's favorite Accelerated Dragon until he proved he could equalize easily. I wouldn't have cared so much if he managed to draw a couple those games just as long as he had to suffer for those draws. But it is important to get a short match

over as quickly as possible since accidents can always happen. So I decided to hit Gelbart with a change of openings. In this I was following a match strategy that Korchnoi had successfully introduced against Reshevsky in the 1968 Candidates Matches. Korchnoi had reasoned that since he knew more about a variety of openings than Reshevsky did, he could keep him off balance by constantly shifting. So he opened (in order) 1 d4, 1 e4 (Which he NEVER plays) and 1 Nf3 in his White games, scoring 3-1 with White.

I noted in part one of this article that I thought that Gelbart didn't really understand the Ret1/English/Larsen complex very well. My problem was to decide how best to take advantage of this weakness in his armor; what order of moves to use to get him into unfamiliar territory. I had been playing 1 c4 in about 80% of my White games over the previous two years, and I felt that Gelbart would probably have prepared very carefully against it. Since I thought 1 b3 was too committal, I narrowed my choices to 1 g3 or 1 Nf3. 1 Nf3 is a good, noncommittal move, but it rules out certain English Opening variations with early e4s. I felt 1 g3 would give me maximum flexibility while allowing Gelbart the maximum possible freedom to go wrong.

J. Tomas-S. Gelbart, Match 82 English Opening

1 g3 Nf6?! (This is not dubious in any absolute sense of course, but because in Gelbart's preferred defensive system against the English [1 c4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 Nf3 e6 6 O-O Nge7] his king knight belongs on e7) 2 Bg2 c5 3 c4 g6 (Gelbart doesn't notice the difference, but this is still perfectly playable) 4 Nc3 Nc6?! (However, this is certainly premature. Black is better off developing his kingside and awaiting developments. Now his queen knight is certain to get in the way) 5 a3! Bg7 6 Rb1 O-O (6...a5 is really essential here, but after 7 e3 O-O 8 Nge2 e5 9 O-O d6 White can force d4 with an advantage) 7 b4 cxb4 8 axb4 (This position had already appeared in a game Verber-Colias annotated by Gelbart in the December 1980 ICB!) 8...d6 9 b5 Ne5 10 d3 Qc7 (Colias played 10...Rb8 11 Qa4 Nfd7 12 Bd2 Nb6 13 Qc2 Qc7 14 f4 Ng4 15 h3 Nh6 16 g4 f5 17 g5 Nf7, but failed to equalize. Peter Veseley played ...Qc7 against me in February of 1981, attempting to solve his problems tactically) 11 Bb2! (I spent 14 minutes on this, but it was time well spent. Against Veseley I played the inferior 11 Bd2?!, but after 11...Bf5! I was in trouble. With the bishop on d2 Black threatens 12...Nxd3+! I tried 12 Qb3, but even then 12...Nxd3+! 13 exd3 Bxd3 14 Rcl Bc4 15 Qb4 leaves Black with three pawns plus the initiative for the piece. In fact Veseley blundered with 12...Nxc4? 13 dxc4 Bxb1 14 Nxb1 and lost quickly. After 11 Bb2! Bf5 has no point since my queen protects the d3 square) 11...Be6 12 Nh3

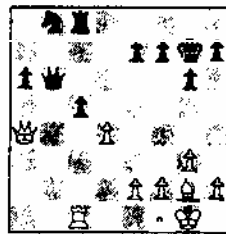


After 12 Nh3

that now White will have the two bishops) 13 Bxh3 a6 (Psychologically this is an excellent moment to force me to decide whether to allow the queenside to be closed, since I require two moves [O-O and Bg2] to be fully developed) 14 bxa6 (Often the amount of time spent thinking about a move doesn't really indicate how important the move is. Here I spent only 7 minutes on a move that I realized was probably the most important one I would make in the game! To close or not to close was the question. If White plays 14 O-O a5 Black has managed to close the queenside. If White can then force d4 he will win because of his enormous space advantage.

(If White can play 13 Nf4 with tempo, driving the bishop back and conquering the d5 square, the game is as good as over) 12...Bxh3! (Gelbart spent 14 minutes on this move, perhaps his best of the match. His idea is to rid himself of White's dangerous knight and put White's bishop on an inferior diagonal while forcing White to decide about the queenside. The only problem is

But if Black can organize pressure on c4 White may have real problems enforcing d4. In the absence of d4, White will have to try a general kingside pawn storm which should allow Black counterplay on the central dark squares. There is no "hard" analysis here, no complex variations. But the decision is fully as difficult as calculating the most hair-raising sacrificial lines because I had to judge the respective merits of two different types of advantage. The move I chose opens the position for the two bishops, but also allows Black the possibility of exchanging some pieces) 14...bxa6 15 Bg2 Rab8 16 O-O Ned7 17 Qc2 Nc5 (Black's pieces are getting very active. I originally intended 18 Ba3, but after 18...Qa5! 19 Ral Nfd7 20 Bxc5 Qxc3! Black should hold the balance) 18 Na4 Nfd7 (Gelbart offered a draw here, but objectively this was rather optimistic since White still had a sizable pull) 19 Bxg7 Kxg7 20 d4! (Emphasizing the major weakness of the knights; without secure posts in the center they can be driven out of play) 20...Nxa4 (Kurt Stein suggested 20...Ne6, but 21 e3 Rfc8 22 Rxb8 Rxb8 23 Rfcl is also very good for White) 21 Qxa4 Rfc8 22 Rxb8 Nxb8 23 Rfcl (The contrast between White's all-powerful bishop and Black's abject knight could not be more striking) 23...Qb6 24 c5! (I chose this move quickly because it fit in with my plan of playing sharply against Gelbart, but 24 e3 was also possible. After 24...Qb2 the variations are similar to those after 24 c5, i.e. 25 Qc2 Qxc2 26 Rxc2 Nc6 [26...Nd7 27 Bh3 e6 28 Bfl Rb8 29 Ral Rb6 30 Ra5 with a clear advantage for White] 27 Ral Nb8 28 Bfl Rc6 when White has the advantage, but no obvious way of making progress. After 25 Rc2 Qb1+ 26 Bfl Black has more problems since knight moves are met by 27 Qxa6! His best is probably 26...Qb6!, but after 27 Rc3! Nd7 28 Rb3 Qc6 29 Qa5 Rc7 30 Rb4! Ra7 31 Bg2 Qc7 32 Qxc7 Kxc7 33 Rb7 Rxb7 34 Bxb7 White retains excellent winning chances in the ending) 24...dxc5?!



After 24...dxc5?!

use some fancy footwork to retain winning chances. E.g. 25 Qxb5 axb5 26 e3 b4! [Not 26...Nc6 or Nd7 when White can establish a pawn chain on d5-c6 with an easy win] 27 c6! [27 Bb7 Rc7 28 c6 d5 leads nowhere] 27...Rc7 28 Rb1! Na6 29 Ral Nb8 30 d5 and White will soon win the knight) 25 dxc5 Qb5? (The losing mistake! To be honest though, White still retains excellent winning chances after 25...Qb2 26 Qc2 Qxc2 27 Rxc2 Nc6 28 e3! 26 Qd4+ Kg8 27 c6! (Now Gelbart spent almost half an hour discovering that he is totally lost) 27...Nxc6 (His best practical chance. Black has no real defence to th threat of 28 c7 since 28...Nd7 fails to 29 Bc6. If he tries to give up the exchange with 27...Rxc6 28 Bxc6 Nxc6 29 Qe4 ends all his illusions) 28 Qd7 Rd8 29 Qxc6 Qxc2 30 Bfl Qd2 31 Bxa6 Rd6 32 Qc8+ Rd8 33 Qc3 Qd6 34 Be2 h5 35 Bf3 Kh7 36 Qb3 Qf6 37 Kg2 Rf8 38 h4 Kg8 39 Rc6 Qf5 40 Qe3 e6 41 Rc5 Qf6 (Black really ought to resign here but...) 42 Kg5 Kh7 43 Qe4 Kh8 44 Bxh5! 1-0 (Since his kingside collapses)

This really did win the match. I was quite sure that Gelbart would have no stomach for a fight in the final game if I proposed a quick draw, and I had nothing left to prove. The only problem was to choose the right opening; one which would convince Gelbart that he was fighting on ground I knew much better than he. So I chose to play the line I had selected before the match.

S. Gelbart-J. Tomas, Match 82 Sicilian Defence

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 (A

final comment on how an absolutely predictable opening repertoire simplifies the task of preparing for specific opponents. I knew that Gelbart would never consider playing the complicated lines coming out of 6 Bg5 and so I didn't bother to prepare them! 6 Be2 e6 7 O-O Nbd7 (I usually play the normal lines with ...Nc6 and ...Bd7, but I prepared this extremely aggressive move for Gelbart. Black has a very straight-forward plan, but one which takes some time to develop. White will have an advantage in development while Black prepares the moves ...b5 and ...e5. My point was that White will have to be aggressive or his advantage in development will disappear and he will be left with positionally weaknesses. As I've said before, I think that this type of play is very difficult for Gelbart psychologically) 8 f4 Qc7 9 Bf3 g6!? (This is the point of my play. I want to play ...e5 without allowing Nf5 in response) 10 Be3 Be7 11 g4!? (An extremely committal move, but not a bad one) 11...h6! (Whereupon I offered the draw which was accepted after 15 minutes thought. The position is very complex, but I had seen

it before while preparing for the match while Gelbart had not. Immediately after accepting the draw, Gelbart opined that he stood better here, but when challenged to produce a move he realized matters were not so simple. After several moves White is worse. 12 g5? hxg5 13 fxg5 d5!; 12 f5 and now either ...e5 or...Ne5 is more than satisfactory for Black. If 12 Qe2 then ...e5! forces the knight to a bad square on b3. White's best is probably 12 Qe1 when the position remains double-edged)

This ended a match which afforded me both creative and competitive satisfaction. The first game was one of the best I have ever played, and the third was not far behind. Once again I'd like to thank Fred Gruenberg and Helen Warren, organizers who have done so much for Illinois chess, for sponsoring the match, Richard Verber and Wesley Suzuki for helping me prepare for it, and last but certainly not least, my opponent Sheldon Gelbart who departed himself throughout as a perfect gentleman and a fine chessplayer.

HOTLINE

by Kevin L. Buchler

Sorry about missing an issue-do I moving across town and a heavy work load, I was completely swamped for awhile. I would also like to take this chance to thank Neal Harris and Kevin Gensler for their nice comments regarding HOTLINE.

1) From Kevin Gensler: (in answer to Tim Just's question on the Velimiravic, in ICB, April/May 83: 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 exd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 Nc6 6 Be4 e6 7 Be3 Be7 8 Qe2 a6 9 OOO Qe7 10 Bb3 QO 11 Rng1 B5 12 g4 b4 13 Bb3 QO 11 Bg1 b5 12 g4 b4 13 Nxc6 Qxc6 14 Nd5 exd5 15 g5 Nxe4 16 Bxd5 Qa4 17 Bxe4 **DIAGRAM 1** what about 17...h3?)

Gensler gives: 18 Bxh7+ Kxh7 19 Ch5+ Eg8 20 g6 fxg6 21 Qd5+ Kh8 22 axb5 and now:

A) 22...Qd4+ 23 f42 Qxb7 24 Qxa8 Bg4 25 Qe4 A 26 Qxe7 B) 22...Qd4 23 Qxa8 Bg4 24 Qe4 +.

I believe that Gensler is wrong about A). After 25 Qe4, Black has chances to hold after 25...Bxd7 since 26 Qxe7 loses to Qxc2+. If 26 Bxd7 Bf6 27 Qxg6 Rb8 may allow Black

to hold. But none of this is necessary!

Instead white should play 22 Rd4! Qxa2 23 Bg5! and Black has severe problems avoiding 24 f42 mate.

2) Also from Gensler, regarding 4) in the April/May ICB: Sicilian Lasker-Polikan, by Zate, Upeelman, Rovan and Fleckstock gives: 1 e4 e5 2 f3 Nc6 3 Bc4 exd4 4 Nxd4 Bf6 5 Nc3 e5 6 Nd5 d6 7 Bg5 a6 8 Na3 b5 9 Nd5 Qa5+ 10 Bc2 Qa8 11 c4!? b4 12 Qa4 Bd7 13 Nb5+.. What's wrong with 13...Nxd5?

Gensler says: "Is it possible that White's real 12th move should be: 12 Bxb4 Nxe4 13 Qa4 Bd7 14 Nb6? Still, this is only speculation."

Neal Harris, of Old Port, N.C. (ICB sure gets around) sends three comments:

3) The book Sicilian Lines With ...e5 revised 1982 by Markland and Harding discusses one of the Lasker-Polikan lines via *(that 3 moves same as in 2) above* 6 Nd5 d6 7 Bg5 a6 8 Na3 b5 9 Bxf6 gxf6 10 Nd5 f5 11 Nxb5 axb5 12 Bxb5 Bd7 13 exf5 with "it is no longer clear what Black's best plan is now." An interesting end of course unbooked idea waits consideration is 13...Qh4, which I feel gives Black good counterchances.

4) Is this the year to gang up on the Benoni? We have the PCN article by Slogoric recommending the White side of the Classical line, and the PCN article by Brown recommending the White side of the 7 f2 Δ 8 Bb6 Talmanov lines. The latter lines are still causing

Benoni players to cringe. And of course somewhere in all of this is Silman's dangerous line 6 Nf3 g6 7 Bf4 a6 8 e4 b5 9 Qe2. Are there no defenders of the Benoni faith?

(There are a few Benoni players in Illinois, most notably Master Kornfeld. Any ideas?)

6) In the King's Gambit Declined (I've been thinking about taking this opening up again, but with Fischer's Defence around, does anybody really want to decline? Has anyone seen any games with 1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 Nf3 d6 4 h4?) after 1 e4 e5 2 f4 Bc5 3 Nf3 d6 4 Be4 Nf6 5 d3 ECO (Korchnoi) (I don't know that I would trust this much more than I trust the book by Zak and supposedly Korchnoi) recommends 5...Be6! leading to equality. What about simply 5...O0? If 6 c3 Nc6 7 b4 Bb6 seems good for Black. Very nice would be 8 b5?! Na5 9 fxe5 dxe5 10 Nxe5? Nxe4!! Any comments?

After 5...Be6 bad is 6 fxe5 dxe5 7 Nxe5 Qd4! Actually, 5 d3 is not so hot. 5 Nc3 is a transposition, which looks to be good for White. If now 5...Be6 6 Nxe6 fxe6 7 fxe5 dxe5 8 Nxe5 Qd4 9 Nd3 Bb6 (9...Nxe4 10 Qe2!) 10 Qe2 Nc6 11 d3 and White is winning.

After 5 d3 00 6 Nc3 transposes again (5 Nc3 00 6 d3) and should lead to approximate equality.

I would like to take this chance to congratulate my student Adam Lief, and at the same time thank Dr. Sheldon Gelbart.

Adam has for some time been one of the top five to seven players in the country for players his age. But he was never quite able to catch the four top players in front of him.

This appears to be changing very rapidly. Since last January, Adam's rating has exploded from the mid-1800's to over 2000. By my calculation, he has already broken 2000, and is still climbing! This should put Adam very close to the top two or three U.S. players who are only 14 years old!

This has been due to a lot of work on Adam's part. For over a year, Adam had been working with Dr. Gelbart, and it was primarily through Sheldon's tutelage that Adam has picked up some of the finer points of positional play. (Those of you who have seen my games may understand why he didn't get that from me.) Adam's style is now maturing rapidly, as he learns to be more tenacious, handle his clock better, and combine tactical play with positional play. He recently defeated his first Master, Ken Mohr, in a very nice game, and the little bugger finally beat me in a rated game as well!

Illinois will certainly continue to have a bright future in Master chess with Adam and other young players coming up.

For Adam-don't let this go to your head! I'm actually writing all of this to warn your opponents. Now that they will all want your scalp, you're really going to have to start playing well!

Remember, send your analysis to Hotline! I need all the help I can get to keep from losing to Adam again! Send it to: Kevin L. Buchler, 2851 Glen Flora Apt. 103, Mankogan, Illinois 60085. Send now!

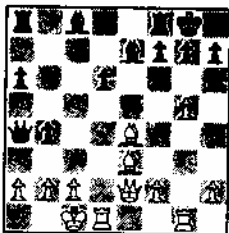


DIAGRAM 1

Lake County Open VI Sept. 24-25

GREATER PEORIA OPEN

This year's edition of the Greater Peoria Open drew 50 players to the Peoria Ramada Inn on June 4-5. Master David Sprenkle of Urbana won outright with 4.5-0.5, ahead of a pack at 4-1 which included IM Ed Formanek, Experts Vince Berry and Mark Zvilius, and A players Terry Hutson and Tim Oltman. Formanek was passing through his home state; he was one of the cadre of top-flite masters Chicago produced in the 60's and early 70's.

Four players entered the 4th round with perfect 4-0 scores: Sprenkle, Formanek, Berry, and Chicago Master Ken Mohr. The Mohr-Formanek and Sprenkle-Berry games were both drawn, so the leaders were joined at 3.5-0.5 by Oltman and Peoria Expert Bill Naff. Both Oltman and Naff had taken half point byes in earlier rounds. Oltman beat Zvilius in round 2; with an advantage Mark simply permitted a mate in one! But in round 4 Tim upset Expert Walter Brown in impressive fashion.

The logjam was cleared a bit before the final round even started when Naff withdrew; perhaps he felt he had reached the end of the road. Berry was grumbling about about his second black in a row against a Master, but with alert defence he neutralized Formanek's advantage. Oltman was paired with Tom Smit, and a draw capped a fine tournament for Tim.

Sprenkle-Mohr became the crucial game. Ken is famous for his habitual time pressure, and David likes to dabble in it. The game became a mutual time scramble, with each player having 3-4 minutes for 20 moves in a complicated position. Mohr made the first serious error and it proved fatal.

Larry Cohen and Roger Blakley split the B prize with fine 3.5-0.5 scores. Cohen scored 2.5-0.5 versus higher rated players, and Blakley scored 3.5-0.5. Dave Sculley was top C at 3-2, ahead of ICA Vice-Pres. Fred Gruenberg and Joe Deakin. Fred was even happier about a photo of himself in a Peoria paper, especially since the caption identified him as an International Master!

FIDE's standards have been slipping, but that was ridiculous. Finally, Chris Knisley and Jay Cole were joint top D/E/Unrated. Cole's 3-2 score tacked over 200 points on his provisional rating.

Bill Wilkinson directed in his usual efficient manner for the Greater Peoria Chess Federation.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SPRING OPEN

56 players attended this two section event in West Frankfort on June 4. Top-rated Expert John Readey went 3-0 in the Open section to win it outright. Doug Eckert, Bob Sutter, and B-player Doug Marshall each scored 2.5-0.5.

Mike Thomas, Bob Goldman, and Mark Colvin each went 3-0 to top the Reserve section, Goldman taking the 1st. place trophy on tiebreaks. Kenny Brown took the Junior trophy.

Ruth C. Ashmore directed for organizer Mike Thomas.

PAWNOGRAPHY

The lead event of Jules Stein's "Chess Spectacular Americana" 4th of July tournaments was won by Jammie Gregory with 4.5-0.5. Kevin Lawson and William Harrison tied for 2nd and also split the A prize at 4-1. John Bitianas was top B, followed by Bill Graves and Roger Bowen. Top C was veteran Ray Pope, with Roger Sopocia and Byron Kast sharing 2nd. Greg Gust and James Donates were top D/Unrated.

BEACH BLANKET SWISS

The Lake County Chess Association's Beach Blanket Swiss, held July 16-17, drew 16 players to the lakefront at Illinois Beach State Park in Zion.

First place went to Ken Wallach with a 5-0 score. Second place was shared by veteran tournament player Angelo Sandrin and up and coming junior Adam Lief with scores of 4-1. Nick Goncharoff scored 3-2 to take the under 2000 prize. The under 1600 prize was shared by Dan Kurth, Charles Grant, and Victor Swanson, each at 2-3.

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3 M Zavanelli	1				1		
4 G White	0				1		
5 G Gratz	0	0	0	0		0	0
6 C Catino	0	1			1		
7 R Pope		1/2			1		

82-2

1 R Kapela		0	0	0	0	0	0
2 P Connor	1					1	1
3 J Davies	1						
4 I Rothschild	1				1	0	
5 J Roecker	1		0				0
6 J Legg		0		1			
7 J O'Hearn	1	0			1		

82-3

1 P Wolf		0			0	1	
2 G Belics	1				1	0	1
3 W Milbratz							
4 V Jablokow							
5 R Bethel	1	0					
6 L Young	0	1					
7 B Johnson		0					

82-4

1 C Fawbush		1					
2 M LaRose	0		1/2		0		
3 L Werner				1		0	
4 T Oltman		1/2	0		0	1	
5 D Taylor				1			1
6 H Baumann		1		0			
7 E Sedlock			1	0			

82-5

1 B Brock		1			1	1	1
2 R Stotler	0		0	0	0	1	
3 D Eckert		1			1	1	1
4 J Warren		1			1/2	1	
5 F Bender	0	1	0	1/2		0	1
6 R Kapela	0	0	0	0	1		
7 J Deakin	0		0		0		

82-6

1 A Amelung							
2 R Jamason				0		0	
3 M Weiss							
4 L Soqin		1					0
5 H Loomis							
6 D Field		1					
7 A Anderson				1			

82-7

1 R Luther			0				
2 S Lewis							
3 D Glascock	1			1			
4 R Normi			0			0	1/2
5 R Harper							1/2
6 S Scorza				1			
7 L Spitznagel			1/2	1/2			

82-8

1 J Johnson			1				
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4 W Harris	0						
5 E Lemke							
6 J Nicks							
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1 J Brown							
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MARTINDALE, J (IL)	864
MCKINNEY, C (IL)	737
MILBRATZ, W (IL)	800
MIZESKO, H (IL)	735
NAFF, W (IL)	860
NICKS, J (MO)	800
NOMURA, K (IL)	740
NURMI, R (IA)	761
O'HEARN, J (OR)	755
O'KEEFE, M (IL)	681
DLTMAN, T (IL)	789
PETERSON, P (IL)	822
POPE, R (IL)	818
REARDON, J (IL)	840
ROECKER, J (IL)	920
ROTHSCHILD, I (IL)	880
RYDBERG, S (IL)	760
SANDER, D (IL)	746
SCHREMSER, T (IL)	680
SCORZA, S (IA)	820
SEDLACK, E (IL)	813
SEXTON, C (IA)	800
SHOLL, P (IL)	678
SIMS, L (IL)	959
SMITH, M (IL)	680
SOGIN, L (IL)	761
SPITZNAGEL, L (IL)	762
STOTLER, R (IL)	715
SWANSON, V (IL)	758
SWICEGOOD, J (IL)	789
TAYLOR, D (IL)	1068
TAYLOR, K (IL)	877
VANDERLINDEN, E (IA)	782
WALHOUT, D (IL)	989
WARREN, J (IL)	1035
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Don Walhout.....	999
George Fawbush...	974
Larry Sims.....	959
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Prelim sections of the 1982 Postal Championship have now been in progress for nine months, save for late starts in the last two sections. A few games just reported before deadline are included in the crosstables, but not rated for this issue. They will, of course, be included in ratings in next issue.

Meanwhile, we await outcome of two games from the 1981 Finals, crucial in determining third place finisher.

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Summary of Minutes of the ICA Meeting of June 19, Mohr Community Center, Forest Park

The best attended meeting ever of the ICA board convened at 1:30 PM, with a full 23-voter contingent present. At one time, twenty-six voters were actually present, three above the constitutional limit. The agenda was re-ordered to accommodate full treatment of 23 motions sent in by voting member J Menke, Mt. Vernon. These motions considered a variety of topics, from the use of ICA stationery to the re-allocation of Illinois delegates, VMs, and AVMs. Mr. Menke was not present. The assembly stated that they regretted the absence of Mr. Menke. All 23 motions were either tabled, failed for want of a second, or were defeated overwhelmingly, with seconds predicated on the need to get the motions before the board. Ms Ruth Ashmore, VM from So. IL, and her husband travelled to the meeting in order to disassociate themselves from these motions; they stated that these motions did not represent the views of southern IL and were in fact concocted without their consent or advice. The president proceeded to show that So. IL representation on the ICA board (zips 620-629) actually constituted over 15%, while ICA membership was composed of less than 5% from that area. Several board members voiced the opinion that this imbalance should be rectified at the next opportunity. A report on the World Youth Team tourney was presented by E Schiller, followed by the officers' reports. The president reported on ICA fund raising, the October Chess Clinic, Awards Banquet shift to March, announcement of the Oct. 29-30 Regional in Burlington, IA, and the need to secure a new editor to succeed David Sprengle. She stated that application for the editor's post was open and inquiries encouraged. The Metro-VF F Gruenberg reported on chess phone, the ICA program of scholastic scholarships, news stand sales of the ICB, The First V-P announced the date and site of the IL OPEN at the Ramada in Peoria. The treasurer gave a detailed report with computer printout detailing income and expenditures. He outlined the need for constitutional amendments to accommodate the appointment of a scholastic and educational director toward the acquisition of 501(c)(3) tax status. The rules for the 1983-84 ICL season were discussed. The Secretary announced that the ICA picnic would be held in Pottawatomie Park on Sept. 11. A motion was passed that the ICA sponsor or co-sponsor a Futurity between January and June, 1984. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM

The next ICA meeting is scheduled for October 23, Sunday, 1:30 PM, site to be announced.

GAMES FROM POSTAL PLAY, cont'd.

One of the most formidable postal players in the country, IM Nicholas Preo, and our own Master Kevin Bachler engaged in this exciting encounter in the North American Invitational Championship started last year. Notes are by Bachler.

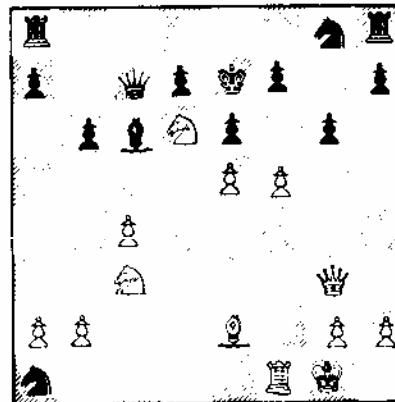
Bachler-Preo Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Oo7 This is a rather off-beat line. 5 Nb5 Oo6 6 c4 Nf6 7 N5c3 e6 8 Be3 b6 ECO B 32, Note 21, gives 8...Be7 9 Be3b6. My playing b6 immediately Black intends ...Nab with pressure on the dark squares. 9 Be2 Bc5 10 Od2 Bb7 11 f4!? White intends to sacrifice the exchange in order to play ab and Nb5-d6 with a bind. 11...Nb4 12 O-O Bxe3 On either 11...Nxe4 or 12...Bxe4, the weaknesses at d6, e6, and e7, and the d-file give White sufficient counterplay. For example: 12...Nxe4 13 Nxe4 Bxe4 14 Bxe6 bxc5 15 Nc3 and now if 15...Bg6 16 a3 Nc6 17 Rad1 with the intention of 18 Nb5 and Black cannot easily castle due to the weakness at d7. Similar ideas occur in other lines. 13 Oxe3 Nc2 14 Qd3 Nxa1 15 e5 Ng8 The point. On other moves White gets the two pieces for Rook and pawn. 16 Nb5 Bc6 Here White is threatening 17 Nd6+ K any 18 Nxb7 Qxb7 19 Bf3 with

- a) 19...Qb8 20 Rxa8 Qxa8 21 Na3 Nh6 (or Ne7) 22 Nb5! O-O 23 Nd6 ±
- b) 19...d5? 20 exd6 ±

17 Nd6+ Ke7?! Evidently Black does not want to place his K on the f-file. He must have feared an eventual f5. However, ...f6 should usually be a good reply to f5. I had expected 17...Kf8 18 Ne3 Ne7 19 Rxa1 Nf5 20 Nxf5 exf5 21 Qxf5 with approximate equality. White's plan would probably be Rf1 and Bf3 to trade the Bishops, followed by Ne4-d6. If White can reach this position, he may even be winning since the Knight appears to be as strong as a Rook. 18 Nc3 Oc7?! Black aims at development while White takes the Knight, and before White can trade Bishops, which should complete the bind. The Black Queen becomes a target on e7, however--not only is the Knight on b5, but also along the h2-b8 diagonal! The Queen also cuts off the escape route: Kd8-c7 for the Black King. 19 Qg3! g6? Best was 19...Kf8 20 Rxa1 Nh6 (20...Ne7 also 21 Bb3! ±/± since 21...g6 intending Nf5 does not work: 22 Qg5 Nf5 23 Bxf5 e/gxf5 24 Qf6. White could now continue with the idea of Bf3 and f5. 20 19...Nc2 20 Qag? Rf8 21 Qg5+ f6 22 Qg+ ± 20 f5!!

(see diagram)



Position after 20 f5

White decides to sacrifice a whole Rook for the attack. White threatens 21 fag6 fag6 22 Rf7+ Kd8 23 Qg5+. Thus Black doesn't have time to move his Knight from a1. n 20...gxf5 21 Qg7 wins, as in the previous note. If 20...Nh6 21 Qg5+ Kf8 22 Qxc6+ Ke7 (22...Kg8 23 f6) 23 Qg5+ Kf8 24 Qf6. If 20...Rf8 21 fag6 and now: a) 21...fag6 22 Qg5+ Nf8 23 axf6+ Kxd6 (23...Kd8 24 f7 mate) 24 Rd1+ Rd5 25 Nb5+ wins the Queen. b) 21...hxg6 22 Qg5+ f6 23 Qag6 Kd8 (23...fxe5 24 Qag7+ Kxd6 25 Qxf6+ Ne7 26 Rd1+ Bxb 26...Ke5 27 Qae7 mates or wins a Queen) 24 Qg7 Nf8 25 Rxf6 Rfg8 26 Ecb6!! wins c) 21...Nh6 22 g7 Rfg8 23 gah8/g Bxh8 (23...Rag8 24 Qe8 mate. 24 Qg7 f6 25 Qf6 mate.

Black can no longer defend by 20...f6: 21 fag6 hb (21...hxg6 22 Qag6 fxe5 [22...Rf8 23 Qg7+; 22...Nh6 23 Qxf6 mate] 23 Qf7+ Kxd8 24 Rd1+ Ke5 25 a3 Ne2 [25...a5 or 25...b5 26 Qf2 mate; 25...h7 26 b4+ Ke8 27 b5+ Ke5 28 Na4 mate; 25...Bag8 26 b4+ Ke8 27 b5+ Kh7 28 Rxd7 wins.] 26 b4+ Nxb4 27 Qf2 mate.) 22 axf5+ Nxf6 23 Rxf6 Rf8 24 Rxf3 Rxf8 25 g7 Rg8 26 Nf5+ Rd8 27 Qg5+ Ke8 28 Ne7+ wins.

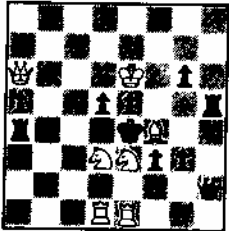
20...exf5 21 Rxf5! This sacrifices a second Rook. The sacrifice must be accepted:

- a) 21...Rf8 22 Rxf7+ Rxf7 23 Rxf7 Nh6 (23...Kxf7 24 e6+) 24 Nxb8 Nf5 25 Qg5+ Ke8 (25...Kf8 26 Qf6+ leads to mate) 26 Nrg6! ±±
- b) 21...Nh6 22 Qg5+ Kf8 23 Qrh6+ Kg8 24 Rxf7 will mate next.
- c) 21...Kd8 22 Qg5+ f6 23 Rxf6 Ne7 24 Rf7 Fe8 25 Nxe8 wins.

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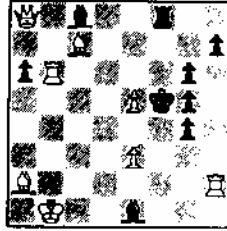
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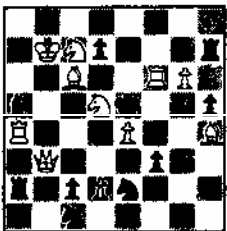
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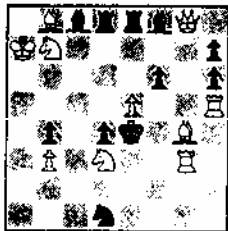
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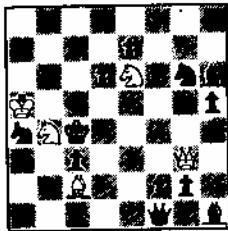
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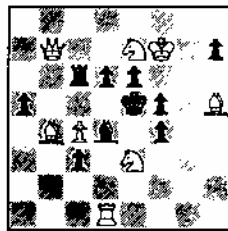
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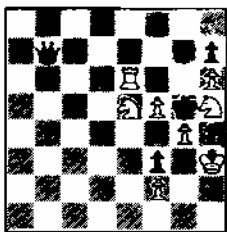
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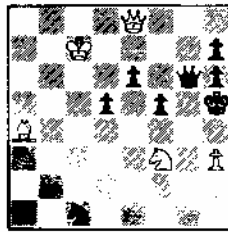
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No.232
G. Kaiser
"Aahener Schach."
1955 (Version)



#4

No.233
G. Bladek
"Wiener Schach."
1960 1st Prize



#5

- No.209 Rosner. 1...f4, 2.g3 is a good set that goes undeveloped, but aids the excellent unpinning key 1.Rc3 and the crosscheck.
- No.210 Holladay. 1.Pc8 and 1.Sc5. / No.211 1.f6 and 1.g6+, three model mates, the latter giving echoes. Multi-solution problems are easily acceptable these days as more play is always welcome.
- No.212 Brabec & Lehen. Not 1.Nc6? Rg5/f5, 2.Bxc3/c5 but 1...Sd6! nor 1.f3? Rg5/f5, 2.e3/Bxc3 out 1...Sxe2! So, 1...S7 again changing...Rg5/f5 2.Fe3/Sc5. A Zagoruyko with extras!
- No.213 Ahues. 1.Se4! Ra2: 1.Sc4! with changes coming from very clever Levmann effects after 1...Ff3 and ...Sb4! Uncanny horse-play.
- No.214 Holladay. A)1.Rd2 Rb3, 2.Sa5+. B)1.Sa3+ Ra2, 2.Rc2+ or 1...Ab1, 2.Axc1+. C)1.Rd2 Rb3, 2.Rd4. Again, following the Helpmate paths in twinning, these miniatures offer a nice change and a new resource for originality.
- No.215 Scheel. 1.Rf1 (2.Rc1 and 3.Rc1) 1...Re5, 2.Rb1; 1...Re6, 2.c4+; or 1...Rc6, 2.Ra2+. Remarkable play from such a tiny force.
- No.216 Brin. 1.Rd2 (2.Sd1 Rxf4, 3.Rc1). 1...Rd5, 2.f2; 1...Sh7, 2.Bxg4; 1...Se6, 2.Rd4+. With all this, I wonder what won 1st Prize?
- No.217 Kraemer. 1.Sed! Fh3, 2.Sd7! Rd4, and now the 3.Se6 waits! Fh3 is everytain, when one flirts with madness. 1.Bxg4? 2...S2! 1.Sb4! and white has no tempo.

LADDER SCORES thru No.217:

Lawrence Cohen..... 2	Gary Lyle.....67
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Chuck Barnach.....10	John Jenko.....21
Eric Hassberg.....21	Helen Sizocko...73
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Marvin Johnson.....23	Richard Smiley...51
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	Vito Vitancic.....15

PROBLEMS this month (No.217) considered by the composer to be the best problem. Note the tries in Nos.217-20. What time's in the original of No. 220? The 3-ers would be tough, while the 4-ers goes nowhere! In No.233, white would like to threaten e4-e7, but first...

FUROR IN FIDE: PASADENA MATCH IN JEOPARDY

Soviet chess officials seem ready to forfeit at least one and possibly both of the semifinal Candidates matches in the World Chess Championship cycle. Soviet participation in the world championship itself, and in other official events of the World Chess Federation (FIDE) remains an open question.

The Soviets have been protesting the choice of Pasadena as the site for the scheduled match between Gary Kasparov, their young superstar, and Soviet defector Viktor Korchnoi. Communiqués from FIDE President Florencio Campomanes suggest that the real reason for protesting the California venue is the slight travel restriction placed on Soviet diplomats in this country. US State Department officials explain that these restrictions are reciprocal to those on American personnel in the Soviet Union.

The members of FIDE's Executive Council met in special session in Madrid July 29-30 to try once more to save the Pasadena match as well as the parallel one between Soviet Vassily Smyslov and Hungarian Zoltan Ribli, a match scheduled for the United Arab Emirates.

A grim mood pervaded the meeting as they voted 8-2 to uphold the legitimacy of the chosen sites and the president's actions to date in this matter. American Don Schultz was among those in the majority.

Nikolai Krogius, delegate from the USSR, cast his own vote and a proxy in the minority. He gave the other members the clear impression that the Soviet Grandmasters will not contest the two matches. He said he foresaw a series of forfeitures and crises for FIDE.

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Oct. 22-23 Chicago Chess Center
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Nov. 5 Illiana Fun VII Georgetown High School
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MORE DETAILS NEXT ISSUE:

Nov. 6 Southern Illinois Sunday Quads

Nov. 12 Springfield Chess Club
Nov. 19-20 OLD FASHION SWISS, Evanston
Nov. 20 Belleville Sunday Swiss
Nov. 25-27 ILLINOIS CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP
Dec. 3 Illiana Fun VIII, Georgetown

For recorded phone announcements of tournaments in and around the Chicago area call:
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CHESS LESSONS BY USCF MASTER RICHARD VERBER

Analysis of your games or analysis of games from the 1983 U.S. Championship, 1983. Three hours: \$50.00 935-8316.

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Tim Redman, U.S. Chess Federation president, was in close touch with Schultz during the weekend meeting. Already in Pasadena preparing for the Kasparov-Korchnoi match and the US Open Championship (which starts August 7), Redman stated that he shares the general pessimism about the match. He also forecast grave consequences for world chess harmony if the matches are forfeited. Nevertheless, Redman says, the Western Chess Group, sponsors of the match, will continue preparations for Kasparov's arrival and for the match itself.

Kasparov will forfeit the match if he does not begin play by 2:00 PM on August 6.

(August 1, 1983. USCF Press Release)

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king will create dangerous mate threats) 61 Qb5+ Kc3 62 Qa5+ Kb3 63 Qb6+ Kc3 64 Qf6+ Kb3? (This was a mistake, as it turned out. Black should have grabbed the d3 pawn, and there is no clear way to show a win for White) 65 Qe6! (The best move. White will give up one or two pawns just to escape with his king to a safer place) 65...Qxd3+ 66 Ke1 Qg3+ 67 Kd2 Qc3+ 68 Ke2 Qc2+ 69 Ke1 Qh2 70 h5 (White's king is no longer trapped. He can do some footwork and get to a safe place after many checks. There is no perpetual! What a way to win after winning a whole piece 15 moves earlier!) 70...Kc3 71 Qe5+ Kxc4 72 Qe2+ 1-0

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

Abbreviations: RR-round robin, SS-swiss system, TL-time limit, EF-entry fee, \$\$-prize fund, b/-based on () entries. All phone numbers are area code 312 unless otherwise noted.

Every Friday night at 7 pm: Speed Tournament
Chicago Chess Center, 2666 N. Halsted. EF:\$2. Call Jules Stein at 929-7010.

August 27-28 PUT THE FUN BACK INTO CHESS IV
An Illinois Tour Event. 5-SS; EF:\$15, \$20 at site; TL: 40/90 Sat., 45/2 Sun.; \$\$:1500, 300-200-100, Ex 95-60, A 94-59, B 93-58, C 92-57, D 91-56, E/UNR 90-55. Also 50 free raffle prizes and a free gourmet lunch on Sat. Free USCF memberships to new members. Call Fred Gruenberg at 779-3360 (office) or 779-0306.

Sept. 3-4 The Mating Call Chicago Chess Center
Two one-day events. Call Jules Stein at 929-7010.

Sept. 3-5 ILLINOIS OPEN Peoria
An ICA Championship Event and Illinois Tour Event.
6-SS; EF:\$22.50, \$25 at site; TL:40/2; \$\$:1300, 300-200-100, Ex 100, A,B,C each 100-50, D/E 70-30, UNR 50. Call Bill Wilkinson at 309-673-9455.

Sept. 10 Springfield Fall Open
4-SS; EF:\$9; TL:30/1; \$\$:210 b/30, 75-35-25, A,B,C,D/E/UNR each 15. Call Tom Knoedler at 217-786-6546.

Sept. 10 Chess Mates Evanston
One day quad. Call Ted Ehara at 869-4100.

Sept. 11 ICA PICNIC St. Charles
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Sept. 17-18 3rd Annual Park Forest Open
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Sept. 24 Peoria Cash Novice
Open to under 1500. 4-SS; EF:\$5, \$6 at site; TL:30/45; \$\$:60, 30 1st, 30 to classes per entries. Call Bill Wilkinson at 309-673-9455.

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Sept. 24-25 3rd Southern Illinois Fall Open
3-SS; EF:\$12, \$15 at site; TL:30/1; \$\$:400 b/50(5 per class), 100-60, B, C, D, E each 50, UNR 40. Call Mike Hensley at 618-687-1210.

Sept. 30-Oct. 1 Chess Mates Evanston
Two one-day events. Call Ted Ehara at 869-4100.

Oct. 1 SCHOLASTIC CHESS CLINIC
Proviso West High School, Hillside. Six classes with top Illinois Masters, including IL Open Champ Al Chow. 9 AM to 4:30 PM. By pre-registration only, limited to 125 students. Cost is \$5, or \$9 for both the Clinic and one of the Oct. 2 tournaments at the same site. In addition, the Illinois Chess Assoc. will award FREE ICA memberships to the first 100 students who pre-register for BOTH the day of classes and the tournament on Sunday. Chess coaches and club sponsors attend the clinic FREE, with special class sessions especially for them, conducted by Illinois organizers and directors. Call Helen Warren at 246-6665.

Oct. 2 ICA Tornado I Proviso West High School
3-SS; EF:\$5, \$6 at site; TL:40/1; \$\$:235, 100-60-25, A 25, B 20, C 15. Rounds at 9-12-3. Call Helen Warren at 246-6665.

Oct. 2 ICA Unrated Beginners' Tournament I Proviso West High School. 4-SS; EF:\$5, \$6 at site; TL:60 per game; \$\$:Trophies to top 3, USCF memberships to all scoring 3 points. Call Helen Warren at 246-6665.

Oct. 1-2 Northwestern Univ. Fall Weekend Swiss
5-SS; EF:\$22, \$25 at site; TL:40/100 Sat., 40/2 Sun.; \$\$:800 b/40(8 per class), 150-110-60, A,B,C,D/E/UNR each 80-40. Call Brian Ruggiero at 662-1888.

Oct. 1-2 CENTRAL ILLINOIS OPEN Urbana
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Oct. 3-Nov. 7 Northwestern Univ. Monday Night Swiss
6-SS; TL:40/90,15/30; \$\$:20-10. Call Brian Ruggiero at 662-1888.

Oct. 8-9 ST. CHARLES OPEN A Mini-Tour Event
5-SS; EF:\$15, \$20 at site; TL:40/100; \$\$:600 b/50, 150-70, A 70-30, B 60-25, C 50-25, D/E 40-20, UNR 40-20. Call Erv Sedlock at 232-1320.

Oct. 8-9 Chicago Chess Center
Two one-day events. Call Jules Stein at 929-7010.

Oct. 15 Illiana Fun VI Georgetown High School
4-SS; EF:\$10, \$12 at site; TL:55/1; \$\$:130 b/20, 60-40-30.

Oct. 15-16 1983 Annual Black Women's Open
4-SS; \$\$:Trophies. Call Sparky Fulk at 676-2170.

Oct. 15-16 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS OPEN Belleville
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