

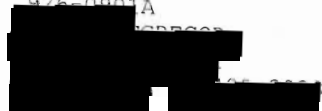


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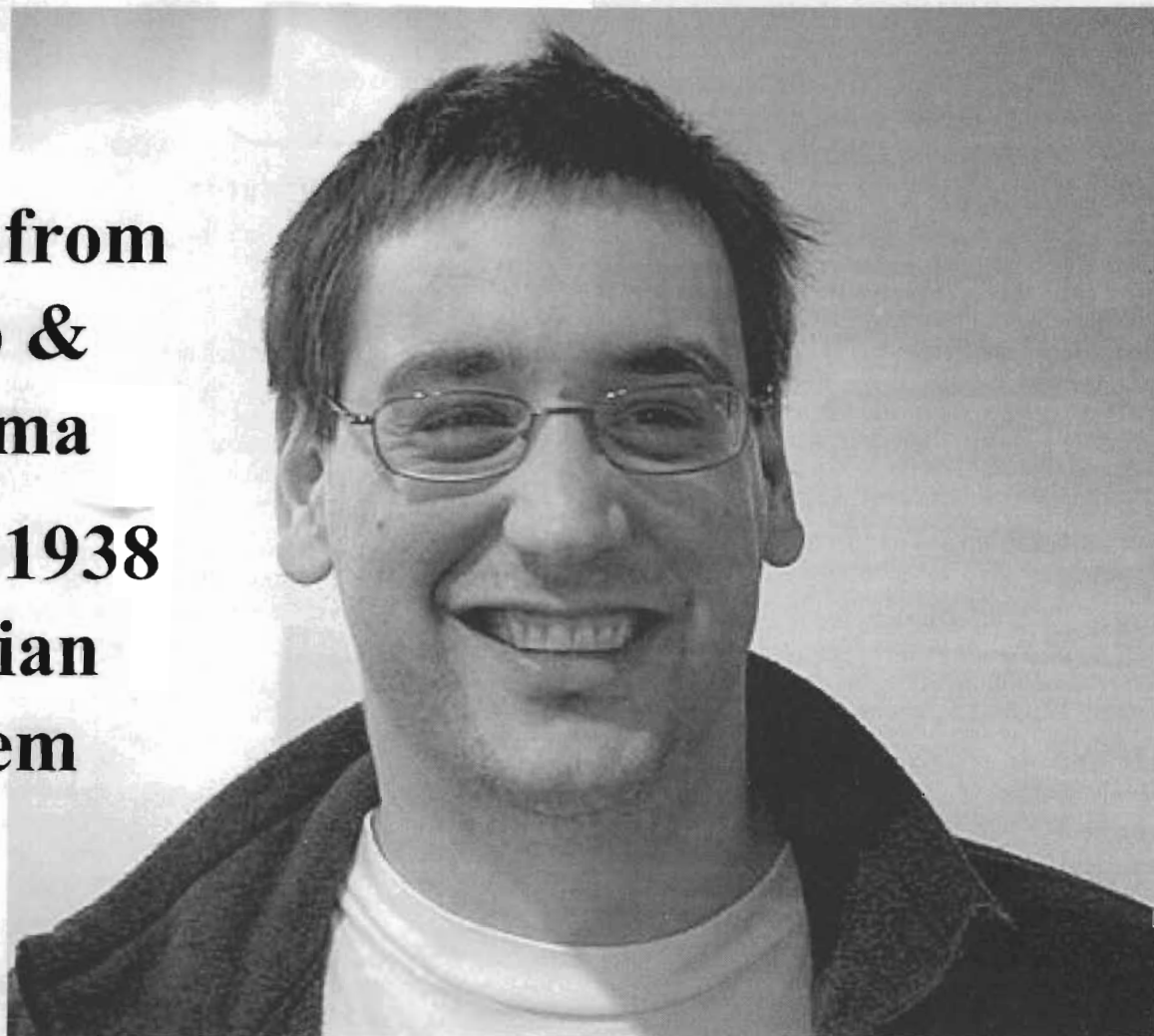
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Greetings from the Editor

I hope next issue will feature the WA Open as well as more games from the Tacoma CC. However, that may not be enough to fill the magazine. That's where you come in.



Editor's Desk

Did you play an interesting game? Send it in to the magazine, annotated or not! Did you go to a tourney? Write a report! Did you like your newest chess book/software, or just hate it? Let the rest of us know about it by writing a review!

Of course, any other articles or pictures that you contribute will be more than welcome, though pictures generally have to fit in with some article.

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July 1 is also the date that Washington State implements "destination-based sales tax." That is, taxes are due at the rate in effect for the jurisdiction where you receive a product or service (in this case the magazine), rather than the rate in the jurisdiction where the product or service is produced or shipped. *Northwest Chess* will publish new membership/subscription forms in June that include space for entering your local tax rate and tax due. A tax table will also be provided for looking up the correct tax rate for your city or county. If you do not wish to look up the correct tax rate, then you will have the option of paying the highest rate in effect, which is currently 9.0% for most parts of King County. Payments received without the sales tax will be good for only 11 months instead of 12, an effective tax rate of 9.1%. Payments received before July 1 will still be accepted for 12 months without the tax. Multiple-year payments for up to 10 years will also be accepted, which allows you to "lock in" the current membership rate.

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There is still a possibility that there may need to be a general dues increase later this year, which would affect Oregon as well as Washington residents. Advance notice will be given if the *Northwest Chess* board decides to implement a general dues increase.

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On the Cover: FM Nick Raptis, pictured at the Washington Open, who scored well in Reno's Far West Open. *Photo by Brian Todd.*

Games from the Far West Open

The first of this year's traditional Reno tournaments, the Far West Open, was held over Easter Weekend. Of the nearly 200 participants, twenty-two ventured south from the Northwest. This contingent scored remarkably well, with fourteen plus scores and four even scores. Drayton Harrison of Seattle and Daniel Copeland of Spokane led the way, picking up 5.5 points each in the six-round event to win first in their respective (U1800 and U1600) sections.

Portland FM Nick Raptis had two wins and four draws, garnering four points. His draws included games with SM Vladimir Strugatsky, IM John Donaldson, and GM Alex Yermolinsky. Also scoring four points was David Juchau of Seattle, who played in the U1600 section, and George Peterson of Portland, who played in the U1400 section. Among the many who scored 3.5 points, special mention should go to NM Curt Collyer, who drew with Strugatsky and IM Vladimir Mezentsev.

English

FM Nick Raptis (2281)
IM John Donaldson (2459)

Reno, Far West Open (3) 2008

1. ♖f3 c5 2. g3 ♘c6 3. ♗g2 e5 4. d3 g6 5. O-O ♗g7 6. c4 ♖ge7 7. ♘c3 d6 8. ♗e1 ♗e6 9. ♘c2 d5 10. cxd5 ♘xd5 11. ♘xd5 ♗xd5 12. ♗e3 ♗xg2 13. ♘xg2 O-O 14. ♗e3 b6 15. a3 ♗d6 16. ♖b1 a5 17. ♗b3 ♗d4 18. ♗xd4 exd4 19. a4 ♗h6 20. e4 dxe3 21. fxe3 ♖ae8 22. ♖be1 ♖e7 23. ♗c4 ♖d8 24. ♖d1 ♗e6 25. ♗xe6 ♖xe6 26. ♖f2 f5 27. b3 ♖f7 Draw

Queen Pawn

FM Nick Raptis (2281)
GM Alex Yermolinsky (2587)

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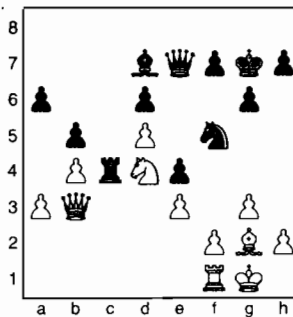
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King's Indian Fianchetto

FM Vladimir Strugatsky (2450)
FM Nick Raptis (2281)

Reno, Far West Open (6) 2008

1. ♗f3 ♗f6 2. d4 g6 3. g3 ♗g7 4. ♗g2 O-O 5. c4 d6 6. O-O ♘c6 7. ♗c3 a6 8. a3 ♗d7 9. b4 e5 10. d5 ♗d4 11. ♗e1 c6 12. e3 ♗f5 13. ♗b2 ♖c8 14. ♖c1 ♗e7 15. ♗c2 e4 16. dxc6 ♖xc6 17. ♗d5 ♗xd5 18. cxd5 ♖c4 19. ♗xg7 ♖xg7 20. ♗d4 ♖fc8 21. ♖xc4 ♖xc4 22. ♗b3 b5



23. ♗c6 ♗xc6 24. dxc6 ♗e5 25. ♗b1 d5 26. ♖c1 ♗e7 27. c7 ♗xc7 28. ♗b2+ f6 29. ♖xc4 bxc4 30. ♗c3 ♗e5 31. ♗xe5 fxe5 32. ♖f1 ♗f5 33. ♖e1 ♖f6 34. ♖d2 ♖e6 35. a4 ♖d6 36. ♖c3 ♖c6 37. ♗f1 ♖b6 38. h4 a5 39. bxa5+ ♖xa5 40. ♗xc4 d4+ 41. exd4 exd4+ 42. ♖d2 ♖xa4 43. ♗g8 h5 44. ♗f7 ♗e7 45. ♗a2 ♗f5 46. ♗f7 e3+ Draw

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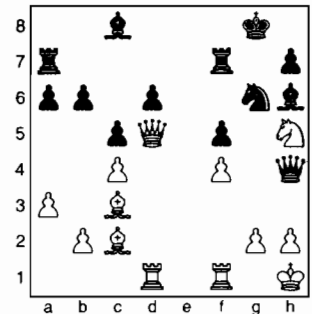
NM Curt Collyer (2254)
Francisco Alonso (2003)

Reno, Far West Open (2) 2008

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22. ♗c2 b6 23. ♖d1 ♗g6 24. ♗d5+ ♖f7 25. ♗h5 ♗h4



26. ♗f6+ ♖g7 27. ♗xd6 ♖xf6 28. g3 ♗b7+ 29. ♖g1 ♗xf4 30. ♖xf4 ♗xf4 31. gxh4 1-0

Nimzo-Indian Sämisch

NM Curt Collyer (2254)
FM Vladimir Strugatsky (2450)

Reno, Far West Open (3) 2008

1. d4 ♗f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♗c3 ♗b4 4. f3 d5 5. a3 ♗e7 6. e4 dxe4 7. fxe4 e5 8. d5 ♗c5 9. ♗f3 ♗g4 10. ♗d3 ♗h5 11. ♗e2 ♗f4 12. ♗xf4 exf4 13. ♗a4+ ♗d7 14. ♗e5 ♗h4+ 15. ♖d2 f3 16. gxf3 ♗g5+ 17. ♖c2 ♗xe5 18. fxg4 ♖d8 19. ♖af1 g6 20. ♖b1 O-O 21. ♗c2 a6 22. h4 ♗d4 23. ♗d3 ♗c5



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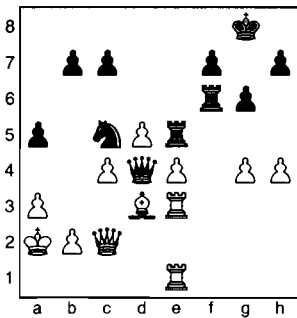
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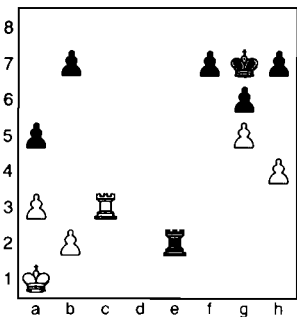
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27. ♗e2 a5 28. ♗g1 ♗xg1 29. ♖xg1 ♖f6
30. ♖e1 ♗d4 31. ♖he3 ♖e5 32. ♗h2?



32... ♗xd3 33. ♖xd3 ♗xc4+ 34. ♗a1
♖xe4 35. ♖ed1 ♖f1 36. ♖xf1 ♗xd3 37.
♖c1 ♖e2 38. ♗xc7 ♗xd5 39. g5 ♗d2
40. ♗c8+ ♗g7 41. ♗c3+ ♗xc3 42. ♖xc3



42... b5 43. ♖c5 b4 44. ♗a2 ♖e4 45. a4
♖xh4 46. ♖xa5 h6 47. gxh6+ ♗xh6 48.
♖b5 f5 49. a5 ♗g5 50. a6 ♖h8 51. ♗b3
♗g4 52. a7 ♖a8 53. ♖xb4+ f4 54. ♖a4
♗g3 55. ♖a5 f3 56. ♖g5+ ♗f4 57. ♖xg6
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66. ♗c3 ♖g7 67. ♗d4 ♖g3 68. ♖xf2+
♗xf2 69. b4 ♖g4+ 70. ♗c5 ♗e3 71. b5
♖g5+ 72. ♗c6 ♗d4 Draw

French Tarrasch

IM Vladimir Mezentsev (2474)

NM Curt Collyer (2254)

Reno, Far West Open (4) 2008

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♗d2 ♗f6 4. e5 ♗fd7
5. ♗d3 c5 6. c3 ♗c6 7. ♗e2 cxd4 8. cxd4
f6 9. exf6 ♗xf6 10. ♗f3 h6 11. ♗c2 ♗d6
12. ♗d3 ♗b4 13. ♗g6+ ♗e7 14. ♗b1
♗xg6 15. ♗xg6 ♗f6 16. ♗b1 e5 17.
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exf3 24. ♗xf3 ♖ad8 25. ♗h4 ♗d7 26.
♗g6 ♗g8 27. ♖ae1 ♗c4 28. ♗xc4 dxc4
29. ♗h4 ♗e7 30. ♗e4 ♗c7 31. ♗f2 ♗b6
32. ♗c5+ ♗xc5 33. dxc5 ♗c8 34. ♗g3 g5
35. ♗d6 gxh4 36. ♗xe7 ♖d2 37. ♗xh4
♗d7 38. ♖xe8 ♗xe8 39. ♖e1+ ♗d7

40. ♗f6 ♗d5 41. ♖e7+ ♗c6 42. ♖g7
♗b5 43. h4 h5 44. ♗c3 ♖c2 45. ♖g5
♗c6 46. ♗f1 ♗a4 47. g4 hxg4 48. ♖xg4
♗b3 49. ♗e1 ♖h2 50. ♖f4 ♗e8 51. ♗f6
♗g6 52. ♖f2 ♖h3 53. ♗f1 ♗e4 54. ♖f4
♗d5 55. ♗e2 a5 56. ♗e5 a4 57. ♖d4 ♗c6
58. ♗d2 ♖h1 59. ♖g4 ♖h3 60. ♖d4 ♖h1
61. ♖g4 ♖h3 62. ♗c1 ♖h1+ Draw

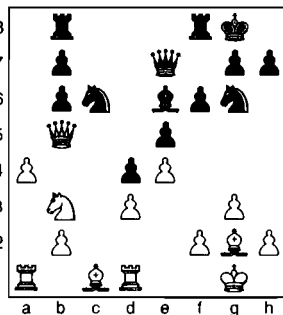
King's Indian Attack

Alan Naroditsky (2008)

NM Curt Collyer (2254)

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5. g3 ♗d6 6. ♗g2 ♗e7 7. O-O O-O
8. ♖e1 ♗c7 9. c3 ♖b8 10. ♗c2 f6 11. ♗b3
♗b6 12. ♖d1 d4 13. ♗fd2 e5 14. ♗c4
♗g6 15. a4 ♗e7 16. cxd4 cxd4 17. ♗xb6
axb6 18. ♗c4+ ♗e6 19. ♗b5



19... ♗b4 20. ♖a3 ♗xb5 21. axb5 ♗b4
22. ♗a1 ♖fc8 23. ♗d2 ♗c2 24. ♖a7 ♗xa1
25. ♖axa1 ♖c2 26. b4 ♖bc8 27. ♖ac1
♗d7 28. ♗f1 ♗g4 29. f3 ♗xf3 30. ♖e1
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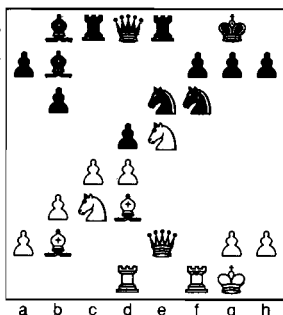
Queen's Indian

Dereque Kelley (2035)

Jeffrey Cohen (1984)

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5. ♗d3 ♗e7 6. O-O O-O 7. b3 c5 8. ♗c3
d5 9. ♗b2 ♗bd7 10. ♗e2 cxd4 11. exd4
♖e8 12. ♖ad1 ♖c8 13. ♗e5 ♗d6 14. f4
♗f8 15. f5 ♗b8 16. fxe6 ♗xe6



17. ♗xd5 ♗xd5 18. cxd5 ♗f8 19. ♗a6
♗xd5 20. ♗xc8 ♖xc8 21. ♖xf6 gx f6
22. ♗g4+ 1-0

QGD Slav

Dereque Kelley (2035)

David Adelberg (1938)

Reno, Far West Open (5) 2008

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. ♗f3 ♗f6 4. e3 a6 5. ♗c2
b5 6. b3 e6 7. ♗d3 ♗d6 8. O-O O-O
9. ♗bd2 ♗b7 10. c5 ♗c7 11. ♗e5 ♗bd7
12. f4 g6 13. ♗b2 ♗e8 14. e4 f5 15. exf5
exf5 16. ♗df3 ♗e6 17. ♗g5 ♗e7 18.
♗h1 ♗e4 19. g4 ♗xe5 20. dxe5 ♗xg5
21. gx f5 ♗e4 22. fxg6 hxg6 23. ♗xe4 dxe4
24. ♗xe4 ♗e6 25. ♖g1 ♗d5 26. ♗xd5+
cxd5 27. c6 ♗xc6 28. ♖xg6+ ♗h7
29. ♖xc6 ♖fc8 30. ♖ac1 ♖xc6 31. ♖xc6
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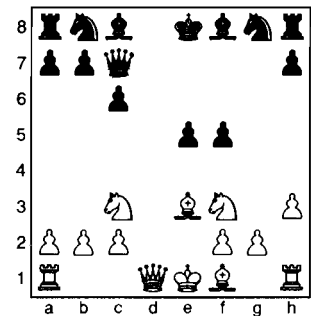
Modern Defense

Steve Merwin (2018)

Ziad Baroudi (2001)

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1. e4 d6 2. d4 c6 3. ♗c3 ♗c7 4. h3 e5
5. ♗f3 g6 6. ♗e3 f5 7. exf5 gx f5 8. dxe5
dxe5



9. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 10. ♗h5+ ♗d8 11. O-O O-O+
♗d7 12. ♗d4 ♗e6 13. ♗xh8 b5 14. ♗b1
♗f6 15. ♗f3 b4 16. ♗e2 ♗e4 17. ♗d4
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♗xe4 fxe4 21. ♗f6+ ♗c7 22. ♗xe6 ♗xe6
23. ♗d4 ♗a6 24. ♗e3 c5 25. ♖d2 ♗e7
26. ♗f4+ ♗c6 27. ♖e1 h5 28. ♖xe4
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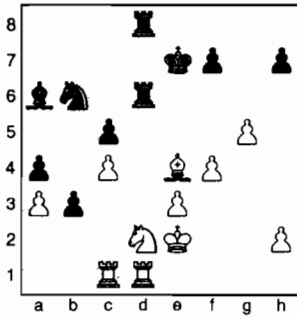
Krishna Kaliannan (1987)

Steve Merwin (2018)

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1. ♗f3 ♗c6 2. d4 d5 3. c4 e5 4. dxe5 ♗b4+
5. ♗d2 dxc4 6. a3 ♗a5 7. ♗a4 ♗d5 8. e3
b5 9. ♗c2 ♗xd2+ 10. ♗bxd2 ♗xe5 11.

♖xe5 ♜xe5 12. ♜f3 ♜e7 13. b3 a5 14. bxc4 b4 15. ♜b2 c5 16. ♜xg7 ♜f6 17. ♜xf6 ♜xf6 18. ♙d3 ♙b7 19. ♜d2 a4 20. f3 ♜e7 21. ♜e2 ♜hd8 22. g4 ♜d6 23. ♜hd1 ♜ad8 24. ♙f5 b3 25. g5 ♜d7 26. ♙e4 ♙a6! 27. f4 ♜b6 28. ♜ac1



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French Advance

Steve Merwin (2018)
Luke Harmon (1815)

Reno, Far West Open (6) 2008

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜c6 5. ♜f3 ♜ge7 6. ♜a3 ♜b6 7. dxc5 ♜d8 8. b4 ♜g6 9. ♜b5 b6 10. ♜bd4 ♙d7 11. ♜xc6 ♙xc6 12. ♜d4 ♙d7 13. c6 ♙c8 14. ♜a4 ♜c7 15. f4 a6 16. ♜b5 ♜d8 17. ♜d4 ♜c7 18. ♙d3 ♙e7 19. O-O-O 20. ♙e3 f6 21. exf6 ♙xf6 22. ♜c2 ♙xd4 23. ♙xd4 ♜xc6 24. ♙xc6 hxc6 25. ♜xc6 ♜a7 26. ♜f3 ♜af7 27. ♜h3 ♜e8 28. ♜h7 ♜d7 29. ♙xc6 ♜xc6 30. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 31. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 32. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 33. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 34. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 35. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 36. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 37. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 38. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 39. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 40. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 41. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 42. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 1-0

English Opening

LM Viktors Pupols (2201)
John Rinaldo (2085)

Reno, Far West Open (4) 2008

1. c4 e5 2. ♜c3 ♜c6 3. ♜f3 d6 4. d4 ♙g4 5. d5 ♜ce7 6. e4 f5 7. h3 ♙xf3 8. ♜xf3 ♜d7 9. g4 f4 10. h4 g5 11. hxc5 ♜g6

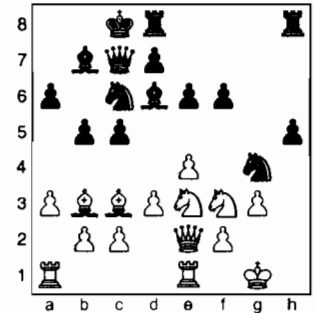
12. ♙d2 ♙e7 13. ♜h5 h6 14. gxc6 ♜f6 15. g5 ♜xh5 16. ♜xh5 ♜f7 17. ♙h3 ♜e8 18. ♙f5 ♜g8 19. ♙e6+ 1-0

Sicilian Closed

Daniel Litowsky (1716)
Drayton Harrison (1749)

Reno, Far West Open (5) 2008

1. e4 c5 2. ♜c3 ♜c6 3. ♙c4 e6 4. ♜f3 a6 5. h3 ♜c7 6. a3 ♜f6 7. d3 b5 8. ♙b3 ♙b7 9. O-O ♙d6 10. ♜e1 h6 11. ♙d2 g5 12. ♜e2 g4 13. hxc4 ♜xc4 14. ♜d1 O-O 15. ♜e3 h5 16. ♙c3 f6 17. g3



17... ♜xf2 18. e5 ♜xe5 19. ♙xe5 ♜h1 20. ♜h2 h4 21. ♜xh1 hxc3+ 22. ♜xc3 ♙xe5+ 23. ♜xe5 ♜xe5+ 24. ♜f2 ♜f4+ 0-1

Games from the Daffodil Open

Reti Opening

Drayton Harrison (1802)
Michael MacGregor (2197)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (1) 2008

1. c4 c6 2. g3 d5 3. ♙g2 ♜f6 4. ♜f3 ♙f5 5. O-O e6 6. d3 ♜bd7 7. ♜bd2 ♜b6 8. b3 ♙c5 9. ♙b2 h6 10. a3 O-O 11. h3 a5 12. ♜a2 ♜c7 13. ♜a1 ♙d6 14. ♜c1 ♜b8 15. ♙c3 e5 16. ♜b1 ♜e8 17. b4 d4 18. ♙a1 axb4 19. axb4 ♜xa2 20. ♜xa2 ♙xb4 21. ♙b2 c5 22. ♜a1 e4 23. ♜h4 ♙h7 24. ♜xe4 ♜xe4 25. dxe4 ♙xe4 26. ♜a4 ♙c6 27. ♙xc6 bxc6 28. ♜c2 ♜e5 29. ♜f1 ♜h5 30. ♜a7 ♜f6 31. e3 dxe3 0-1

Sicilian Wing Gambit Deferred

Howard Chen (2023)
Andrei Botez (1716)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (1) 2008

1. e4 c5 2. ♜f3 e6 3. b4 a6 4. bxc5 ♙xc5 5. d4 ♙a7 6. a4 ♜c7 7. ♙d3 ♜c6 8. c3 d5 9. e5 ♜a5 10. ♜g5 h6 11. ♜h5 ♜b3 12. ♜xf7 ♜f8 13. ♙a3+ ♜e7 14. ♜xh8 ♜xa1 15. ♜f7 mate

Queen Pawn

Mark Saarenas (1953)
Constantin Etingher (1449)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (1) 2008

1. d4 ♜f6 2. ♜c3 d5 3. ♙f4 e6 4. ♜f3 c6 5. e3 ♙b4 6. ♙d3 ♜a5 7. O-O ♙xc3 8. bxc3 ♜xc3 9. ♙d6 ♜a5 10. a4 ♜d8 11. ♙a3 b6 12. c4 dxc4 13. ♙xc4 ♙a6 14. ♜d3 ♙xc4 15. ♜xc4 ♜d5 16. ♜ac1 ♜xc4 17. ♜xc4 ♜e4 18. ♜fc1 c5 19. dxc5 ♜xc5 20. ♙xc5 bxc5 21. ♜xc5 O-O 22. g3 ♜d7 23. ♜c7 ♜f6 24. ♜b7 ♜fb8 25. ♜xb8+ ♜xb8 26. ♜c7 ♜a8 27. ♜e5 ♜e4 28. ♜xf7 ♜f8 29. ♜xa7 ♜xf2 30. a5 ♜f5 31. ♜a8+ ♜f8 32. ♜xf8+ ♜xf8 33. a6 ♜d6 34. a7 1-0

French MacCutcheon

Michael MacGregor (2197)
Mark Saarenas (1953)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (2) 2008

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♜c3 ♜f6 4. ♙g5 ♙b4 5. e5 h6 6. ♙e3 ♜e4 7. ♜g4 ♜xc3? 8. ♜xc3 ♜f8 9. a3 ♙a5 10. ♙d2 c5

11. bxc3 cxd4 12. ♜e2 ♜b6 13. ♜xd4 ♜b2 14. ♙b5+ ♙d7 15. O-O ♙xc3 16. ♙xh6 ♙xb5 17. ♜xf8+ ♜d7 18. ♜xf7+ ♜c8 19. ♜g8+ ♜c7 20. ♜xe6+ ♜b6 21. ♜d8+ 1-0

Dutch Defense

Bill Rogers (1422)
FM Paul Bartron (2103)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (2) 2008

Annotations by Drayton Harrison
 1. c4 f5 2. ♜c3 ♜f6 3. ♜f3 b6 4. g3 ♙b7 5. ♙g2 e6 6. d3 ♙e7 7. O-O O-O 8. ♜e1 a5 9. ♙d2 ♜a6 10. a3 ♜e8 11. ♙e3 ♜g4 12. ♙d2 ♜h5 13. h3 ♜h6 14. d4 g5 15. d5 g4 16. ♙xh6 ♜xh6 17. hxc4 fxc4 18. ♜e5 d6 19. ♜xc4 ♜g6 20. e3

20. e4±

20... ♜c5 21. f4 h5 22. ♜f2 e5

22... ♜xc3 23. ♜xh5

23. ♜fe4 ♜xe4 24. ♜xe4 ♙c8 25. ♜f2

25. ♜f3 h4±; 25. ♜h2 h4 26. ♜f3 ♙g4

27. ♜f2±

25...f7

25...xg3 26.xh5 exf4 27.exf4
xf4 28.e8+ f8 29.e4 g7+

26.h1 f6 27.f3 h7 28.a2 e4
29.g2 h4 30.b3?

30.c2 f5 31.gxh4 hxh4 32.b3=

30...hxg3 31.c2 f5 32.f1 h2
33.e2 g7-+ 34.e1 ah8 35.d2
g4 36.d1 h4 37.g1 g4 38.c2
xe2 39.xe2 hxh1 40.xh1 hxh1
41.xg3+ f7 42.e1 h2+ 43.d1
xe1+ 44.xe1 xc2 0-1

King's Indian Attack

Allen Smith (1980)

Michael MacGregor (2197)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (3) 2008

1.e4 c5 2.d3 c6 3.d2 g6 4.g3 g7
5.g2 e6 6.f4 ge7 7.gf3 d5 8.O-O
h5 9.e5 f5 10.e1 d7 11.f1 h4 12.
g4 h3 13.h1 fd4 14.c3 xf3+ 15.xf3
c7 16.e3 e7 17.d2 O-O-O 18.b4
d4 19.cxd4 c6 20.f2 cxb4 21.d5
xd5 22.xa7 g5 23.c4 b5 24.xd5
bxc4 25.b6 d7 26.xc6 xc6 27.
xd8 xd8 28.dxc4 f8 29.f1 c5
30.e3 gxf4 31.xf4 h1+ 32.e2
xa1 0-1

Sicilian Defense

Jeff Lowther (1915)

FM Paul Bartron (2103)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (4) 2008

1.e4 c5 2.f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.dxd4 f6
5.f3 d5 6.f3 d5 7.exd5 xd5 8.
O-O e7 9.e4 f6 10.xc6+ bxc6
11.xd8+ xd8 12.e5 b7 13.e3
b6 14.e1 d5 15.d2 d8 16.a3
O-O 17.ac4 c7 18.ad1 f6 19.d3
e5 20.c5 c8 21.c3 b6 22.xb6
axb6 23.b3 e6 24.c1 f5 25.e2
c2 26.c1 g6 27.c4 c7 28.e3
c5 29.ed1 c2 30.xd8 xd8 31.
c3 f5 32.d1 xd1+ 33.xd1 d3
34.b3 f7 35.c3 e6 36.a4 b1
37.a3 a8 38.b4 cxb4 39.axb4 a2
40.xb6 Draw

French Advance

Drayton Harrison (1802)

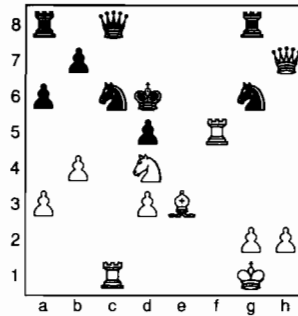
Jonah Lee (799)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (4) 2008

Annotations by Drayton Harrison

1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.b4 cxd4 5.a3
c6 6.f4 a6 7.d3 ge7 8.f3 d7

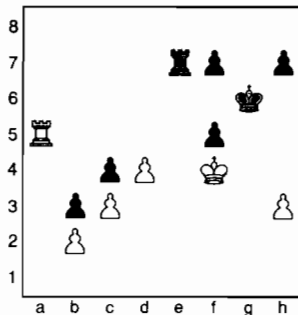
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12.fxd4 xd3 13.cxd3 g6 14.e3
c7 15.c1 d7 16.c5 c8 17.
cxe6 ac6 18.f8 xf8 19.O-O h5
20.f5 gxf5 21.xh5 g8 22.e6 g6
23.exf7+ xf7 24.f5+ e7 25.h7+
d6



26.f2?!

26.b5+ axb5 27.c5+ e6 28.f7
mate

26...ge7 27.f6+ e5 28.fxc6
xc6 29.xc6 bxc6 30.e7+ f4
31.f6+ g4 32.h4 mate



Ramanujan (1377) - Buck (1703)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (4) 2008

41.f5 e2 42.g5+ f6 43.f5+
g7 44.d5 xb2 45.d6 f2+ 46.e4
xf5 47.d7 b2 48.d8=b1=+ 49.e3
e1+ 50.d4 d2+ 51.e4 f4 mate

Reti Opening

Andrei Botez (1716)

Constantin Etingher (1499)

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1.f3 d5 2.c4 f6? 3.cxd5 xd5 4.c3
d8 5.d4 e6 6.a3 e7 7.e4 O-O 8.e5
d5 9.d3 h6 10.d2 g5? 11.xg5
hxg5 12.h5 g6 13.xg5

13.xg6! fxg6 14.xg6+ h8 15.h4
(or 15.xg5+-) 15...g4 16.h5+ g8
17.xg4+ f7 18.h5+ g8 19.h3+-
13...xg5 14.xg5 c6 15.xd5 exd5

16.e3 e6 17.c1 ac8 18.O-O e7
19.b4 c6 20.f4 f5 21.ce1 g7
22.f2 h8 23.g4 h6 24.h3 g8
25.e3 f6 26.exf6+ xf6 27.g5+ e7
28.xg6 hxh3 29.xh3 xh3 30.e1+
d6 31.g3 e7 32.h7 f5 33.xf5
xf5 34.e5 f8 35.g2 e4+
36.f2 b6?

36...d7 and the opposite color
Bishops give Black drawing chances.

37.f5! d7 38.f6 g6 39.e7+ d8
40.xa7 f7 41.a8+ d7 42.a7+
e6 43.f7 xf7 44.a4 d3 45.e3
a6 46.c7 b5 47.a5 g6 48.f4 c8
49.e5 f7 50.d6 e6 51.a6 c8
52.a7 b7 53.d8 1-0

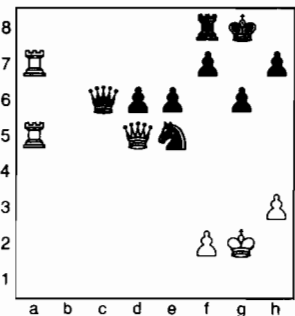
Sicilian Maroczy Bind

FM Paul Bartron (2103)

Michael MacGregor (2197)

Tacoma, Daffodil Open (5) 2008

1.e4 c5 2.c4 g6 3.e2 g7 4.d4 cxd4
5.dxd4 d6 6.c3 f6 7.e2 c6
8.e3 d7 9.O-O O-O 10.h3 xd4
11.xd4 c6 12.f3 d7 13.xg7
xg7 14.d4+ g8 15.b4 b6 16.f1
c8 17.a4 a8 18.a5 e5 19.axb6
xc4 20.d2 xb6 21.e2 xb4
22.a6 b8 23.da1 xe4 24.xa7
b7 25.b5 xb5 26.xb5 xg2
27.xg2 xb5 28.a5 c6+ 29.d5
e6 0-1



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LESSON THREE, ANSWERING HIS THREATS (Part II)

By James Hurt

July 9, 1938

Introduction

In Lesson One, we said that the first thing to do in making a good move was to LOOK FOR ALL OF HIS THREATS. We explained that the only way to do this was to cross-examine each of his men in turn, and to pay special attention to his LAST move.

In Lesson Two, we said that the second thing to do in making a good move was to CONSIDER EACH OF THE FIVE WAYS OF ANSWERING HIS THREATS, AND THEN USE THE WAY THAT SEEMED BEST TO YOU.

We explained four of the five methods of answering threats, and said that the best way was the way that either destroyed the threat, or THREATENED him.

In Lesson Three, we are going to consider the last of the five ways of answering his threats. This method is to NEGLECT HIS THREAT, and although it is the most difficult answer to make, it wins more games, when used right, than all the others combined. This last method is used in two cases:

first, when his threat can do you no real harm;

second when you can threaten him with a far more serious threat than the threat that he is threatening you with.

Both cases must be very carefully investigated, for a mistake here may easily lose the game.

However, as we said before, this method of answering his threats wins more games than all the other methods combined. We will now consider this method.

Very Sincerely,

James Hurt

Chess Champion, State of Washington

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Before starting in on this last method of answering his threats, I will explain to you the DOUBLE-THREAT. A double-threat is two threats at once, and the men that

are best able to double threat are the Queen and the Knight. Sometimes a Bishop or a pawn can double threat, but this is rare. The Queen can double threat because of her great ability to move in every direction. The Knight can also move in every direction. Now for a few examples.

You are probably familiar with the [Knight] attack on c2 or c7, where it checks the King, and attacks a Rook – this is a double attack, a double threat.

1.e4 e5 2.♘c3 ♖f6 3.♘d5! ♚c6

Black must protect c7!!

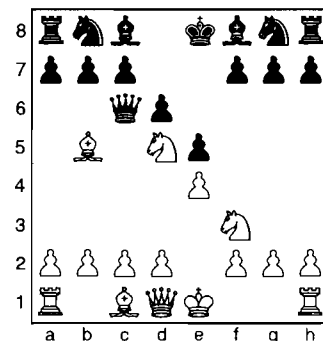
4.♘f3 d6

Black answers White's last threat on Black's e-pawn by protecting it, but now White sees that Black's King and Queen are both on the same diagonal, and he (White) begins to figure out some way of taking advantage of this position. He sees that his Bishop can play to b5, where it would attack Black's Queen, and also Black's King, but that this cannot be done yet because Black would simply capture the bishop. BUT! Black's Queen is already busy protecting c7! The Black Queen cannot protect both squares at once! So White sees that he can lure Black's Queen away from

protecting c7, and then White can capture (with his Knight) the pawn on c7, checking the King, and attacking the Rook and also Black's Queen!! So ...

5.♙b5!

[See diagram.]



5... ♚xb5

Black HAD to capture the Bishop whether he wanted to or not, as he couldn't move his Queen away (it was PINNED!) and if he left it there, then White would capture his Queen anyway.

6.♘xc7+! ♘d8 7.♘xb5

And White wins.

This was a case of a double threat, really a triple threat, and it shows the power of the Knight. Now one with the Queen and the Bishop.

James Hurt
Harold Ishida

WA Championship 1936

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6

Now if 4.♙xc6 dxc6 5.♘xe5 ♖g5! [5... ♗d4 is also effective] and Black's Queen has a double threat: she threatens to capture White's Knight or White's g-pawn, thus regaining the pawn [Black] has just lost, and also White may soon have trouble with his King. White, knowing of this, plays . . .

4.♙a4 ♘f6 5.O-O

White disregards Black's threat of ...♘xe4, as he can get it back by playing ♙e1, and Black's King might get in trouble; so Black plays . . .

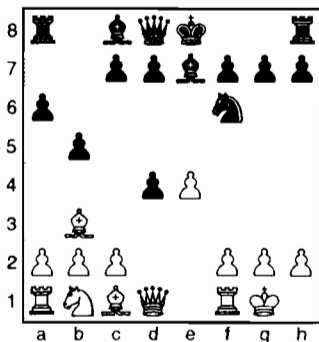
5...♙e7 6.d4 b5

Driving the Bishop away.

7.♙b3 ♘xd4?

A mistake on Black's part, he doesn't look for the threats that White will have after he recaptures on his next move.

8.♘xd4 exd4



Now here Black figured that White would play 9.♗xd4? c5! and after White's Queen moves out of danger, Black would play ...c5-c4, trapping White's Bishop, and thus winning a man, but the only thing wrong with this is that White doesn't have to capture the pawn, instead he plays. . .
9.e5!!

White threatens! Black has only one reply; he must move his Knight or lose it. There are only two places that the Knight can move to: g8 or e4. White's Queen and light-squared Bishop are both

ready to attack Black in either case. Thus 9...♘e4 is met by 10.♙d5!, a double threat, or 9...♘g8 is met by 10. ♗f3!, a double threat, threatening both ♗xf7 mate, and also ♗xa8. Note that both these winning moves by White are due to Black ADVANCING HIS b-pawn! How Black must wish his b-pawn were back home at b7 where it belongs. Black played . . .

9...♘e4 10.♙d5! c6 11.♙xe4

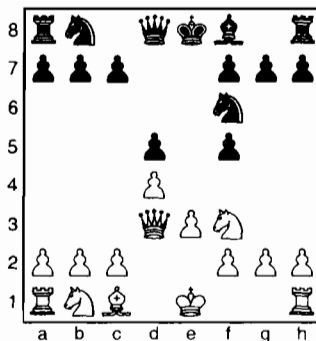
And White won, as he is a man ahead.

Another example, and we will leave double threats to go on with our lesson:

1.d4 d5 2.♘f3 ♘f6 3.e3 ♙f5 4.♙d3 e6

Protecting his Bishop.

5.♙xf5 exf5 6.♗d3



White's last move is a DOUBLE THREAT, as it threatens 7.♗xf5, and 7.♗b5+. If Black protects his pawn with 6...g6, then White plays 7.♗b5+, and this move is also a DOUBLE THREAT, as it threatens to capture Black's King, and also to capture Black's b-pawn! Black, seeing that White's 6.♗d3 is a double threat, attacking his f5-pawn, and his b-pawn (after the check), answers it by protecting both these pawns with one move with his Queen, thus . . .

6...♗c8

Black doesn't fear the check now, as he can easily interpose a pawn with 7...c6 and the White Queen will have to retreat. From this you will see that double threats are quite important, and you must be continually on your guard, looking for any possible double-threats your opponent may have. Also you should

look for any possible double threats that any of your men may have!

The last way of answering his threats is to NEGLECT HIS THREATS. There are two cases when you can neglect his threats:

§ First, when his threat can do you no real harm (in the above example, Black neglected White's threat of 7. ♗b5+, as he saw that it would do him no real harm, once his b7-pawn was protected).

§ Second, when you can threaten him with a threat that is as strong, or stronger, than his threat on you.

In the first case, if he threatens a check, and you see that you can easily interpose a pawn, and that his check isn't a DOUBLE THREAT, then you simply neglect the threat. Or he threatens to capture one of your men with one of his men, and the men are of the same value, then if your man is well protected, then you can neglect (disregard) his threat. This is just good common sense.

In the second case, everything is different. He threatens you, you have looked over all the ways you might be able to answer his threat, and now you must do something about his threat. You have discovered his threat, you have figured out the different ways you can answer his threat, now, the final thing you must do before making your move is to SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HIM, AND SEE WHAT YOU CAN THREATEN TO DO TO HIM. If you can't do anything to him, and see no way of threatening him with a stronger threat than the one he is threatening you with, then you must carefully answer his threat with one of the first four methods.

BUT, before you do this, you must look very hard for the ways you can threaten him. You look for checks—can you check him—you investigate the check THOROUGHLY, if there is one. You look for UNPROTECTED MEN – are any of his men unprotected? Can you attack these unprotected men? You look for possible DOUBLE THREATS that you may be able to get on him. You

pay special attention to any of the men that you have out in the middle of the board, seeing just what each one of your men can do in the way of attacking his men or his king. If you do this, and do it thoroughly, you will often find that you can threaten him with a threat far more serious than the threat that he is threatening you with. The chances that he won't see your threat against him are pretty big, as he is interested too much in the threat he has on you, and also, if you neglect his threat, he may very well think that you have not seen his threat, and he will go right ahead and capture your pawn, or whatever he threatens, and then you, with your more powerful threat, checkmate him, or capture one of his very important men, and he, poor soul, loses the game at the very moment when he thought he was going to win it!! Naturally, you must be on guard for the ways he can answer your threats. You must LOOK FOR HIS ANSWERS TO THE THREAT YOU ARE GOING TO ATTACK HIM WITH, for your threat may turn into a boomerang, and cause you to lose the game immediately.

Here is a game illustrating this NEGLECTING-HIS-THREAT idea. We will skip over a discussion of the first few moves, as it is the final position that we are interested in. This game was played back in 1923 in Margate, England, between two amateurs. E. Colle was one of the best players at discovering ways of threatening his opponent that we have ever had.

French Exchange

G. C. A. Oskam
Edgar Colle

Margate 1923

1.e4 c5 2.♘e2 e6 3.♘bc3 d5 4.exd5
exd5 5.d4 ♘f6 6.♙g5 ♙e6 7.g3

This move weakens f3, as no pawn guards [it] now.

7...♘c6 8.♙g2 h6! 9.♙xf6 ♗xf6
10.♘xd5 ♙xd5 11.♙xd5 O-O-O
12.dxc5 ♙xc5 13.O-O h5!

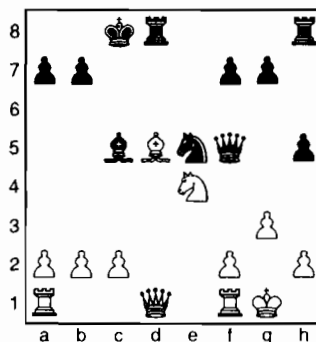
Black is out to get White's King, and after ...h5-h4 Black's Rook will soon be attacking!!

Northwest Chess

14.♘c3

White's last move is a threat! White threatens ♘e4, a double threat, attacking Black's Queen and Black's Bishop. Black sees this, and decides that he doesn't want to waste time protecting this threat, as he wishes to win the game, not wait for White to win it. Therefore Black looks to see if he can NEGLECT THIS THREAT. He sees that he can play ...♗xd5, and that White will recapture with his Queen, and, after some speculating about White's f3 being very weak, that Black can get his Knight to this weak square in two moves (...♘e5-f3+), thus checking White's King, Black does a little thinking, and decides that he can move his Queen and let White have his Bishop, but, in return, Black will capture White's Bishop. So Black played ...

14...♘e5! 15.♘e4 ♗f5!!



And now if Black has figured out wrongly, White wins the game, but Black is Colle, and he usually figures things out right. If 16.♘xc5 ♗xd5!! 17.♗xd5? ♘f3+, and Black wins White's Queen, and the game. Actually, White was very cautious ... and knew that Colle wouldn't be giving any men away for nothing; so he played ...

16.c4 ♙b6 17.♗e2 h4! 18.c5 ♗xd5
19.cxb6 ♘f3+ 20.♙h1 axb6 21.♗ac1+
♙b8 22.♗c3 ♘xh2!

As 23.♙xh2? hxg3+ [is] double check.

23.g4 ♘xg4 24.♗g1??

And Colle won immediately by ...
24...♗xe4+

... as he sees that his Knight has a beautiful check at the f2-square, thus

25.♗xe4 ♘xf2+ 26.♙g2 ♘xe4 and Black is a man (and three pawns) ahead, and will win easily. Notice that Colle neglected White's 24th move, too, and instead Black saw that after ...♗xe4+, he would have a DOUBLE THREAT (which, of course, we also call a fork) on White's King and Queen with ...♘xf2+!

These two examples will show you that this method of answering threats is indeed very difficult, but it certainly wins games quickly!! It is necessary to be able to see ahead a move, or sometimes two moves, in figuring out ways of answering his threats with threats of your own. This simply means that you must visualize what the board will look like after he has made his move, and you have made your move. It isn't hard once you practice it, although at first it seems stupendous. Actually there will be only two men moved; otherwise the board will look exactly the same as it does at the present. You know what man he will move, and so you pretend that he has already made the move, and then you examine this new position, and see what threats he has, and what threats you have, or the threats you can make. It is hard at first, but with a little practice it is not hard to learn. If you learn it, then you will have a great advantage over those who cannot visualize ahead one move. You must learn to visualize ahead at least a half a move, and see what the board will look like after you have made your move, in fact, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT YOU DO THIS! Else your last move may have given a man away, or given him a chance to check your King, and in the last example, the game we just got through playing, White, on his 24th move, neglected to do this, else he would have seen that 24.♗g1 took away protection from the f2-square; as a result Black won the game brilliantly, but only because White played badly!

Now for another game ... [P]layed in Margate, England, in the spring of 1938, ... it shows a good example of neglecting his threat. Alekhine is the chess champion of the world, and Böök is one of the younger masters, and a very good player.

Alexander Alekhine
Eero Böök

Margate 1938

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.e3 e6
 5.♙xc4 c5

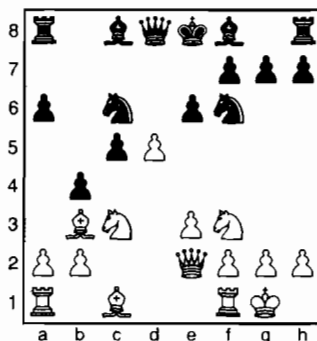
Now for a little explanation. White played 2.c4 to open up the game, and give his Rooks and Queen room to get out, and also he attacked Black's d-pawn. Black captured this pawn, but he doesn't try to keep it, as he lets White capture the pawn back on his fifth move. It has been pretty well proven that White can get his pawn back if Black tries to keep it; and that, in doing so, White gets the best of the game. For this reason, Black neglects White's threat to recapture the pawn, as this threat will do him no real harm, as the men will still be perfectly even. Also, it is well known that those who spend their time worrying over pawns often lose their more important men. After all, a pawn is a mere weakling. The important thing is to get your men out to the middle of the board, and develop threats. A good threat is often worth far more than a pawn, and a real good threat usually wins the game! It is the threats that count, not the little weakling of a pawn. This is why Black doesn't try to protect his weakling on c4. Now back to the game.

6.O-O ♘c6 7.♚e2 a6 8.♘c3 b5 9.♙b3 b4

Now some more explanation. Black has advanced pawns on his queenside, attacking White's men, and his object is to drive White's men back home. If they stay home, they won't threaten Black! But White, Alekhine, looks at Black's last move, and sees that Black is threatening him, and that of the four ways of answering threats, that the only one that will do any good here is to MOVE his Knight. He can move it to a4, or he must move it back home. Both are bad as at a4 his Knight will be on the edge of the board, it has very little chance of moving anywhere, and half the places it should be able to go are off the board. It is a bad idea to place Knights on the edge of the

board for these very reasons. Out in the middle of the board they can threaten numerous things. So Alekhine, being aware that, if he moves his Knight, he must move it to a bad square, looks for ways to threaten Black (method five)! Black threatens to win a Knight; so White must find a threat that is at least that strong. He soon sees that the only threat he has is 10.d5, which threatens Black's Knight. He then carefully investigates the consequences of this move, and he sees that if Black captures this pawn, then White can recapture with his Knight, the very Knight that is in danger! So, in this way, he can answer Black's threat without backing up his threatened Knight. He can see, and visualize things, better than we; so he sees, although Black has a Knight, pawn, and Queen all bearing on d5, and White only has a Knight and a Bishop, that White can easily get his Rook bearing on d5, and that this will PIN any Black man on d5, and then he can attack the pinned man with e2-e4!, winning back his man, with the better game.

Thus after White plays 10.d5 exd5 11.♘xd5 ♘xd5 12.♚d1!, Black's Knight is PINNED, it cannot move, as then White's Rook would capture Black's Queen. So Black must protect it, as White threatens ♙xd5, winning back the Knight. So Black plays 12... ♙e6 13.e4!! and it is easy to see that Black loses his PINNED Knight, and that White will still have some strong threats left. Black sees this, too; so Black does not care to let White do this to him; so he moves his Knight out of danger after White plays 10.d5. Thus 10.d5!



10...♘a5

A bad move, as the Knight is at the edge of the board. Just notice how this miserable Knight remains useless throughout the game.

11.♙a4+

Black was still threatening ...bxc3; so White answers this threat with a direct check. This move also keeps Black from trading off his poorly placed Knight.

11...♙d7

Best, as it attacks White!

12.dxe6!

White again answers Black's threat of ...bxc3 with a counterthreat against Black's Bishop, thus if 12...bxc3 13.exd7+.

12...fxe6

This move is just about forced, as if 12...♙xa4, then White plays 13.exf7+ ♗xf7 14.♘xa4; and Black has no threats, and he can't castle, and he is a pawn behind!!

13.♚d1!

White again NEGLECTS Black's threat, and instead he continues his attack on Black's light-squared Bishop. Notice now that this Bishop is PINNED by White's Rook.

13...bxc3

At last! White threatened 14.♘e4! ♘xe4 15.♘e5!

14.♚xd7!

Well, well! Add up the men, and you will see that White is a whole Rook behind! But White HAS THREATS! BIG THREATS!! And these, he figures, are worth a Rook, as Black has very poor development, most of his men are still home!!

14...♘xd7 15.♘e5! ♚a7

Black's last move was necessary, as White threatened ♙xd7+, winning back one of his men. Obviously Black cannot recapture with his Queen or King, as the Knight would recapture; so Black plans to recapture with his Rook.

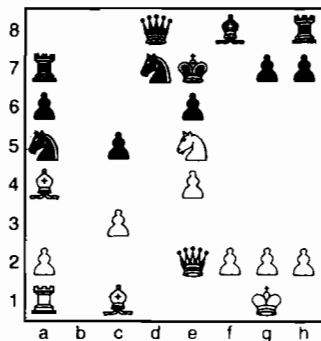
16.bxc3!

Destroying Black's only threat!!

16...♖e7

Black gives up the idea of castling, as if he moves his Bishop, White plays 17.♞h5+ g6 18.♘xg6, winning, and if, instead of 17...g6, the Black King moves, then White plays ♞f7 checkmate!! So Black moves his King to get out of the terrible pin of White's Bishop, now Black threatens ...♘e5, thus putting an end to some of White's threats.

17.e4!!



Black threatened ...♘e5, winning the Knight, as it isn't protected, and AGAIN WHITE NEGLECTS THE THREAT and instead White threatens ♙g5+, winning Black's Queen for nothing!! See it?

17...♘f6 18.♙g5 ♞c7

Black threatens ...♞xe5 now.

19.♙f4!

Threatening ♘g6+ and then ♙xc7. This is called a DISCOVERY, when one man moves out of the way of another.

19...♞b6

Moves away.

20.♞d1! g6

Notice that all of White's men are attacking Black, EVERYONE OF THEM!, but that Black's [f8-Bishop and h8-Rook] are still at home, and the miserable Knight still sits at the edge of the board. Yet White is a Rook behind. Black now plans to get his [Rook and Bishop] into the game by ...♙g7, etc. So White must form more threats against Black before Black frees himself by development.

21.♙g5 ♙g7

White's Bishop threatens a lot, as it has Black's Knight PINNED! and now White will continue to attack this pinned Knight with his other men.

22.♘d7!

A DOUBLE THREAT! It threatens to capture Black's Queen, and it also threatens to win Black's Knight by e4-e5!!, as the Knight is still PINNED by the Bishop.

22...♞xd7

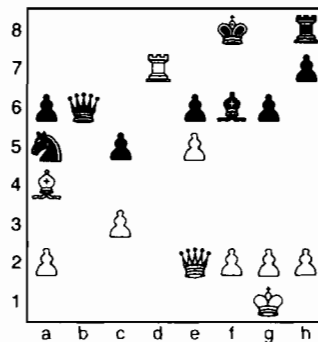
Capturing, destroying one threat.

23.♞xd7+ ♖f8

Of course not 23...♖e8?, because of 24.♞b7+, winning the Queen. This is a DISCOVERY!!

24.♙xf6 ♙xf6 25.e5! 1-0

And Black resigned.



Why? Black is still a whole Knight ahead, but White threatens ♞f3, which is too strong, as Black's King will soon be very much in trouble. Thus, if the Bishop moves out of danger, say 25...♙g7, White plays 26.♞f3+ ♖~ 27.♞f7 mate. Black can stop this by 25...♙e7, but then 26.♞f3+ ♖e8 27.♙d6+, winning, or if 26...♖g8 27.♞xe7 and 28.♞f7 mate. Black's only threat is 25...♞b1+ and White plays either ♙d1 or ♞d1, according to circumstances. If Black doesn't move his Bishop, White can continue with ♞f3 and ♞xf6, winning easily. Try these moves and see for yourself. The important things to notice about this game are that Alekhine repeatedly NEGLECTED his opponent's threats and instead Alekhine made threats of his own, and Alekhine WON. You should be deeply impressed with the complexity of this game, which supports me when I say that this fifth way

of answering threats is by far the most complicated, and takes the most care, YET IT WINS GAMES!

If this game seemed too complicated for you, just remember that it was the World Champion playing, and that he was out to WIN. We can answer threats in other ways, only venturing on this way when we are sure of our own threats. Great care must be used in NEGLECTING HIS THREAT. For instance, in the last game Alekhine played 25.e5!, when he could have easily played 25.♞f3!?, . . . a very strong move [which] threatens ♞xf6+ and ♞f7 mate . . . [I]t looks stronger than 25.e5, but Alekhine was very careful to look over Black's replies, and he saw that Black had JUST ONE MOVE to stop this threat; thus 25.♞f3!? e5!!, and Black IS PERFECTLY SAFE, as his Queen protects his Bishop and White has no more threats, and Black, still a man ahead, should win the game!! So Alekhine played instead 25.e5!, which prevents Black's ...e6-e5 move, which also threatens Black's Bishop, and makes White's ♞f3 a double threat, as White can also play ♞a8+ now that the e-pawn has moved.

And so ends Lesson Three. This completes my instructions on HOW TO MAKE A GOOD MOVE.

First: look for all of his threats.

Second: consider the first four answers to his threats.

Third: look for all YOUR threats, and possible threats.

Fourth: visualize your different possible moves, and try to see his answers; then pick the move that appears BEST TO YOU, and MAKE THE MOVE AS THOUGH YOU MEANT IT; don't make it in a hesitating manner!! Above all, BE CAREFUL THAT YOU DON'T LEAVE HIM WITH A DANGEROUS THREAT AGAINST YOU, and against your King. DO AWAY WITH HIS THREATS THAT ARE DANGEROUS, do away with them as fast as you can. Practice these pointers AT EVERY MOVE, and your playing strength will increase rapidly, and so will your enjoyment of chess. GOOD LUCK! ■

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Chess on the Edge: The Collected Games of Canadian Grandmaster Duncan Suttles

by FM Bruce Harper and GM Yasser Seirawan, with contributions by IM Gerard Welling.

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by IM John Donaldson

Vancouver lawyer Bruce Harper, assisted by fellow Pacific Northwesterner Yasser Seirawan, has spent the past thirty years working on this tribute to an icon of Canadian chess. Their joint effort has created a game collection of lasting value. For those unfamiliar with the exploits of Duncan Suttles, who last played tournament chess more than twenty years ago, the thought of spending close to 1000 pages on a player who was never a Candidate, much less World Champion, might seem a bit puzzling. This will not be the case for those who played in the late 1960s and early 1970s, particularly Canadians and residents of the states of Washington and Oregon. Suttles' creative and uncompromising play, which found him constantly challenging the established rules of chess strategy, won him many fans. For his admirers, the three volumes of *Chess on the Edge*, containing all of Suttles' available games, is a trove of riches.

The three volumes are distinct. Volume One features 100 heavily annotated selected games grouped by theme. The aim is to introduce the reader to Suttles' unique style. Some of the themes, such as space and the center, are common to many chess books, but later sections on Rook pawns, King walks and weird maneuvers start to get the point across—Suttles was always stretching the fabric of the chess universe, looking for ways to take his opponents out of their comfort zones. The second and third volumes are arranged by ECO code, with the former covering A00 to A43 (219 games) and the latter, B00-E99 (294 games). This enables the reader to examine certain systems that Suttles favored, like the Closed Sicilian, in great depth, watching how he developed his pet lines and refined them after tournament battles.

Many comprehensive game collections consist largely of pages and pages of raw game scores and only the player's best efforts are commented upon. In contrast, almost all the games in *Chess on the Edge* are annotated. Harper and Seirawan have not only annotated almost every game, they have done a very thorough job, with extensive prose commentary and concrete variations where needed. There is also a fair amount of humor—

not a staple of chess books, but appropriate to Suttles' games, which often have a comedic element to them.

Since all of Suttles games are given, you get to see the good, the bad and the ugly. There were a lot of experimenters before Suttles, but none had nearly the amount of practical success he enjoyed. Still, things did not always go his way. The authors make sure you get a balanced picture, even at the cost of showing some embarrassing losses. Several-time Canadian Champion, an eight-time Olympiad team member, two-time Interzonalist and Correspondence GM, Suttles did not alter his play when facing the world's best. Games versus Fischer, Spassky, Botvinnik, Petrosian, and Karpov can be found among the more than 600 in this trilogy.

Chess on the Edge lets Suttles games do the talking. A very short biography in volume one provides some historical information on him; it is supplemented by a foreword by Lawrence Day and a preface by Yasser Seirawan, but many unanswered



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Authors NM Bruce Harper and GM Yasser Seirawan share a laugh at the book-launching simul in Vancouver, BC (inset, GM Duncan Suttles)

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questions remain. The principle one is, What caused Suttles to play the way he did? Day mentions that "Duncan always played 1...g6." That's not true. Suttles' chess career began in 1958 and until the start of 1965, he was still playing Open Sicilians as White and defending the Ruy Lopez. What caused the switch to the Closed Sicilian and 1...g6?

Suttles was studying mathematics at the University of Nevada at Reno in 1964-65 (I believe one or both parents were professors there) and he played in many Swiss tournaments in the U.S., particularly in California, doing well enough that he qualified for and participated in the 1965-66 U.S. Championship. In so doing, he became one of only three players to play in both U.S. and Canadian Closed Championships. *Chess on the Edge* has some games from these years that were published in the *California Chess Reporter*, *Washington Chess Letter/Northwest Chess Letter* (later *Northwest Chess*), *Chess Review*, *Chess Life* and other publications. However, this is merely a sampling, as, regrettably, Suttles was a poor record keeper. It would be very interesting to see exactly when the switch was made.

By the U.S. Championship at the end of 1965, Suttles was almost transformed, but did essay a King's Gambit against William Addison. *Chess on the Edge* is a fitting tribute to a player who went his own way—for example, the Suttles system—g3, d3, ♘c3, ♙g2, ♙d2, and ♖c1—well before modern chess saw top players routinely putting Knights on the rim and advancing g2-g4 early (incidentally Suttles toyed with 1.e4 c5 2.♘c3 ♘c6 3.d3 g6 4.g4 in the mid 1960s). Going through the games in *Chess on the Edge*, one quickly discovers that Suttles not only had a novel style, but he was a fine calculator, excellent tactician, and good endgame player. While their openings had nothing in common, a similarity in spirit can be seen between Emanuel Lasker and Suttles. Both were great fighters who were willing to take risks to provoke their opponents.

The publisher, Chess 'n' Math Association, has done a first-rate production job. All three volumes of *Chess on the Edge* are beautifully produced with a clean layout and crisp diagrams on good paper, sturdy hardback binding and handsome dust jackets. There are numerous indices and a selection of sharp black-and-white photos of Suttles and contemporaries that are of good enough quality to frame.

Sample pages of *Chess on the Edge* can be seen at www.suttlesbook.com. **Highly Recommended** ■



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2008 Clark Harmon Memorial Northwest Grand Prix

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Welcome to the 2008 edition of the Grand Prix. We are off to another good start. Through the end of April, we have had 25 events, putting us on pace to equal last year's 75 event total. The number of events with multipliers is up, however, with six during the first third of the year, as compared to 13 for the total last year.

As you may or may not know already, multipliers increase your point total by a factor from 2 to 8, depending on the total guaranteed prize fund for the Grand Prix event. So far this year the Collyer Memorial, the Oregon Class and the Harmon Memorial all had 3x multipliers, with prize funds in excess of \$1000. The Washington Open has a 5x multiplier, based on its \$8000 guaranteed prize fund. Any event with a prize fund of \$500 or more will have a multiplier. ("Based-on" prize funds are guaranteed at half of the "based-on" value.)

The data below are for all events through the end of April. A full list can be found on the NWC website. You may note there seems to be a master shortage again this year. On the other hand, the top two point winners so far are both masters and both from Oregon.

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1 Raptis, Nick	72.5	Bragg, David	29.0
2 Roua, Radu	62.5	MacGregor, Michael	12.0
3 Haessler, Carl	36.0	Koons, Nat	7.0
Experts			
1 Morris, Michael	30.0	Bartron, Paul	43.0
2 Heywood, Bill	28.5	May, Andy	30.0
3 Breckenridge, Steven	18.0	Kelley, Dereque	28.5
4 Pena, Pablo	17.5	Sinanan, Joshua	22.5
5 Gutman, Richard	13.0	Calpo, Benjamin	22.5
6		Chen, Howard	21.5
Class A			
1 Ball, Larry	39.0	Kalina, Chris	30.0
2 Esler, Brian	29.5	Cloy, Elston	29.0
3 Peake, Ethan	28.5	Wang, Michael	27.5
4 Addis, Edward	26.5	Smith, Allen	25.5
5 Banner, Richard	24.5	Watts, Peter	24.5
6 Surak, Steve	24.0	O'Gorman, Peter	21.0
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1 Becker, Brett	50.5	Harrison, Drayton	61.0
2 Porter, Nathan	35.5	Buck, Stephen	54.0
3 Encke, Michael	28.5	Walton, John	44.0
4 Bannon, David	25.0	Ackerman, Ryan	30.5
5 Bailey, Taylor	23.0	Chow, Alex	26.5
6 Gagnon, William	21.0	Desmarais, Cyrus	25.5
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1 Dietz, Arliss	43.5	Etingher, Constantin	38.5
2 Lehman, Jeff	32.0	Piper, August	28.5
3 Pyle, Galen	26.0	May, Sarah	25.0
4 Porter, Joel	23.5	Griffin, David	23.0
5 Grom, Alex	22.0	Copeland, Chris	23.0
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1 Terrill, Michael	27.0	Hornickie, John	36.0
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11 Encke, Michael	28.5	Kelley, Dereque	28.5
14 Terrill, Michael	27.0	Piper, August	28.5
15 Addis, Edward	26.5	Wang, Michael	27.5

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13 McCourt, Daniel	MT	1642	13.5
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13 Branch, Andrew	NJ	1463	13.5
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Master	3	3	1	7
Expert	5	11	2	18
Class A	16	22	6	44
Class B	19	42	8	69
Class C	21	34	12	67
Class D-below	27	55	6	88
Totals	91	167	35	293



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More Kids, More Chess, More Fun!

We definitely had more of everything in Seaside...

by Kate Taylor

The third annual Oregon Scholastic Chess Federation State Championship was held on April 11-12, 2008 and was a huge success! Here's a few statistics that show the kind of growth we've had in Oregon over the last few years . . .

2004/2005	2007/2008
<u>13 Clubs</u>	<u>70 Clubs</u>
12 Tournaments	59+ Tournaments
189 NWSRS players	2000+ NWSRS players

The 2008 Championship had a 20% boost in attendance. There were MORE KIDS playing chess this year in Oregon than ever before!

The Championship began with a bit 'o' bughouse where strangely named teams of two match up with other teams and do battle for wasp trophies. Whoever did not win a wasp was told, "I'm sorry, now you've got to go eat worms!" Gummy worms that is. 130 kids participated in this fun ice breaker event, making new friends and scoping out the competition. It was wild. It was crazy. It was MORE FUN! About double the FUN of years past... because we had double the number of players.

On Saturday morning, registration was a dream. Most families had registered the evening before and checked out the location and logistics for the next day. The weather was fantastic and the Seaside Convention Center was a beautiful place to have a chess championship. Many parents gratefully made their way to the Espresso Stand for a bit of instant energy to help them keep up with the excitement of their kids!

On stage, the morning announcements ran a bit long because there were so many people to thank! Just as the crowd became a bit restless, OSCF President, Kate Taylor announced... "Are you here to have fun?" "Yes," the audience yelled! "Are you here to win?" "Yes," they yelled even louder! "Would you like to see what you're playing for?" "YES," they screamed! As the curtains on the stage parted to reveal the gigantic golden metal cups a hush fell over the crowd and a collective oooooohhhh could be heard. And then, the words they'd all been waiting for . . . "The Pairings are Up!" With that, everyone in the room made a mad dash to their playing hall and the games began!

With state championship titles on the line, players settled in quickly. They came to play chess. Serious chess. The veterans prepared all year, studying chess books and videos, working with coaches and private teachers, and participating in as many tournaments as possible in order to build their skills and improve their standing among the

top competitors. The novice players worked hard, too, embracing a new passion and going through the steps required to qualify for the state championship. Some of the results were expected, with the highest ranking player taking home the prize. But, even more frequently, the dark horses and underdogs rose to the occasion. For those players, the hard work and preparation paid off. In nine of the twelve skill-based sections, an upset game—or two—de-throned the top ranked player. It was anybody's game every game.

Between rounds, students entered drawings for prizes by working on chess puzzles with Oregon author John Bain. They dabbled in chess variations with Steve Reed and John Coby's strange and wonderful sets. They played giant chess on two boards (donated by Chess Vision & the Clatskanie Chess Club) with even a giant bughouse game or two! There were chess set designs to vote for and select as their favorite. We were very high tech, thanks to a donation from Transensory, Inc, who arranged for the top boards of the Elite section to be sent via video feed to monitors just outside the playing hall! And so, we had MORE CHESS going on than ever before!

Thanks to all our sponsors and volunteers who made this truly an event to remember!

Winners of the OSCF 2008 State Championship

High School Elite

Grand Champion	Steven Breckenridge	Gresham HS	Gresham
	(for the second year in a row!)		
Second	Ethan Peake	Westview HS	Portland
Third	Taylor Bailey	Grant HS	Portland
Order of the Knight	Kenneth Lamm	Willamette HS	Eugene

High School Advanced

Champion	Rex Henzie	Creswell HS	Creswell
Second	Seth Perkins	Coquille HS	Coquille
Third	Caleb Kesey	Pleasant Hill HS	Pleasant Hill
Honorable Mention	William Bramblett	Westview HS	Portland
Order of the Knight	Rex Henzie	Creswell HS	Creswell
	<i>International Chess School Scholarship</i> Rex Henzie		

High School Intermediate

Champion	Stephen Mast	Coquille HS	Coquille
Second	Jeffrey Clappe	Clatskanie HS	Clatskanie
Third	Daniel Bramblett	Westview HS	Portland
Order of the Knight	Jeffrey Clappe	Clatskanie HS	Clatskanie

Middle School Elite

Grand Champions	Drew Coughlin	homeschool	Roseburg
	Mitchel Button	Lone Pine ES	Medford
	Dana Hannibal	homeschool	Salem
Fourth	Carson Hannibal	Crossler MS	Salem
Fifth	Patrick Nikong	Whitford MS	Beaverton
Sixth	Austin Nguyen	Whitford MS	Beaverton
U1200	Annelise Peake	Meadow Park MS	Portland
Order of the Knight	Aaron Pikus	Conestoga MS	Beaverton

Medals for plus scores Alex Piatski, Mitchell Linegar
International Chess School Scholarships Drew Coughlin, Mitchel Button, Dana Hannibal

Middle School Advanced

Champion	Adarsh Bhatt	Meadow Park MS	Portland
Second	Charles Summers	Winterhaven MS	Portland
Third	Drake Morgan	homeschool	Forest Grove
Fourth	David Falk	Roosevelt MS	Eugene
Fifth	Calvin Parnon	Cheldelin MS	Corvallis
Sixth	Bill Lamear	Astoria MS	Astoria
U1000	Atticus Kleen	Winterhaven MS	Portland
Order of the Knight	Sequoia Allen	homeschool	Portland

Medals for plus scores Matt Dalthorp, Benjamin Halverson,
Sequoia Allen, Sean Sylwester, Kyler Stole

International Chess School Scholarship Adarsh Bhatt

Middle School Intermediate

Champion	Jacob Brooks	Sherwood MS	Sherwood
Second	Alex Leong	Pleasant Hill MS	Pleasant Hill
Third	Jack Dale	Pleasant Hill MS	Pleasant Hill
Fourth	Zachary West	Hosford MS	Portland
Fifth	Michael Stephens	Sunset MS	Coos Bay
Sixth	Zach Koontz	Umpqua Valley Chess	Roseburg
U600	Kory Schneider	Pleasant Hill MS	Pleasant Hill
Order of the Knight	Warren Skirvin	Clatskanie MS	Clatskanie

Medals for plus scores Joseph Heyman, Jennifer Ross,
Calvin Kocher, Matthew Crim, Megan Co, Ben Schultheiss

Elementary Elite

Grand Champion	Mason Dirickson	Errol Hassell ES	Beaverton
Second	Gabriel Skoro	Skyline ES	Portland
Third	Chloe Smith	Catlin Gable ES	Portland
Fourth	Erik Skalnes	Oak Hill ES	Eugene
Fifth	Robert Nisbet	Rieke ES	Portland
Sixth	Derek Wang	Fox Hollow ES	Portland
U1100	Archer Morgan	homeschool	Forest Grove
Order of the Knight	Cameron Kocher	Cooper Mountain ES	Beaverton

Medal for Plus score Connor Kelly

International Chess School Scholarship Mason Dirickson

Elementary Advanced

Champion	Yang Yan	Adam ES	Corvallis
Second	Michael Mitasev	Oregon Episcopal	Portland
Third	Allen Skirvin	Clatskanie ES	Clatskanie
Fourth	Carson Denison	Mountain View	Corvallis
Fifth	Dmitri Murphy	Franciscan Montessori	Portland
Sixth	Pranav Sharan	Oak Creek ES	Lake Oswego
Sventh	Albert Xiong	Cooper Mountain ES	Beaverton
Eighth	Alex Yao	Jacob Wismer ES	Portland
Ninth	Nathan Jewell	Rieke ES	Portland
Tenth	Bethany Mullins	Clatskanie ES	Clatskanie
U800	Kaitlyn Davidson	Coquille Valley ES	Coquille
	Sophie Balthazaar	Rieke ES	Portland
	Jessica Mullins	Clatskanie ES	Clatskanie
Order of the Knight	Neal Aditya	Oregon Episcopal	Portland

Medals for plus scores Seth Lambson, patrick Linegar, Jeremy Guenza-
Marcus, Zubin Mistry, Sarai Perkins, Angelo Maldonado, Ralyn Lee Case,
Hailey Riley, Benjamin Quiring, Anthony Garcia, Lance Roy

International Chess School Scholarship Yang Yan

Elementary Intermediate

Champion	Matthew Brooks	Archer Glen ES	Sherwood
Second	Sam Kaltenthaler	Durham ES	Durham
Third	Alyssa Bagoyo	Cooper Mountain ES	Beaverton
Fourth	Christopher Halvorson	Beach ES	Portland
Fifth	Caleb Alexander-Klug	Trent ES	Pleasant Hill
Sixth	Steven V. Neiman	Mountain View	Corvallis
U500	Anna Mikami	St. Mary of the Valley	Beaverton
Order of the Knight	Noelani Daily	Coquille ES	Coquille

Medals for plus scores Cassidy Siehl, Collin Stephens,
Griffin Allenss, Dillon Winter, Ben Ratcliff

Primary Elite

Grand Champion	Maxwell Sun	Hoover ES	Corvallis
Second	Nikil Nair	Bethany ES	Portland
Third	James Chen	Candalaria ES	Salem
U1000	Gautum Srinivas	Reike ES	Portland
Order of the Knight	Gautum Srinivas	Reike ES	Portland

International Chess School Scholarship Maxwell Sun

Primary Advanced

Champions	Brandon Kyung	Boones Ferry ES	Wilsonville
	Alden Sosnovske	Findley ES	Beaverton
Third	Chris Willis	Hucrest ES	Roseburg
U800	Gautam Singh	Franciscan Montessori	Portland

Order of the Knight	Chinmai Srinivas	Reike ES	Portland
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Primary Intermediate

Champion	Camille Labelle	homeschool	Sutherlin
2nd - Mason Bagoyo		Cooper Mountain,	Beaverton
3rd - Leonardo Sun		Hoover, Corvallis	
4th - Victoria Griffith		Clatskanie Elementary,	Clatskanie
5th - Crystal Still		Mt. View, Corvallis	
5th place tie - Sierra Bechdoldt		Clatskanie Elementary,	Clatskanie
Order of the Knight - Ashlyn Melvin		Cooper Mountain,	Beaverton

Bughouse Quad Winners

Crouching Kitty
(Mad Hatters, No Check Accepted, Dancing Blubber Nuggets)
Pikus Brothers
(Purple Chickens, N.A., Bughouse Bombers)
King Kong Killing Machine
(Help Me, Yard Gnomes, Chess Pieces)
Bramblett Brothers
(Mets, Germany, Stew)
Pole Vault My Cat
(Obama, Kiwis, Fire Breathing Rubber Duckies)
Crusaders
(Donkeys, Leapin' Leprechauns, Bug)
Nams
(Dark Knights, Rockets, Mech People)
Awesome Possom
(Dragons, Chesskateers, Ninja Pirate Robots)
Spider Monkeys
(Take No Checks, Team without a Name, Umpqua Valley Chess)
Bug Offs
(Super Star Scuttle Bugs, Hornets, Checkmate Masters)
The Wild Things
(Knights to Meet You, Knights Bishops, Bugs)
Ice
(Exterminators, What?, Buggies)
Seaside Seagulls, Blubber Nuggets, Masters
(Fire Ants, Devils, Wildcat Toilet Plungers)

Chess Puzzle Contest Winners

Josiah Perkins
Sarai Perkins
Joshua Friedlein
Steven Breckenridge

\$100 T-Shirt Design Contest Winner

Warren Skirvin

Chess Set Design Contest Winners

Artisan Class Allen Skirvin (Bughouse)
Craftsman Class Connor Thorud (Out of this World!)

Lucky Chess Winners

Too many lucky people to list!

Asides

Transensory, Inc. broadcast the top boards via video

John Bain's Chesspuzzles.com

Steve Reed Chess Variants

Jon Coby 3D Chess

Tony Hann, Chess Vision, Giant Chess

Clatskanie Chess Club Giant Chess

OSCF Chess Set Design Contest

Paddle Boats just outside the playing hall

Sunny weather and a beautiful beach

Too many local attractions to list! ■

Stevenson Elementary Triumphs Again

by Uma Vanmane and Kan Qiu

The Stevenson chess team did it again, for the third time, bringing home team and individual trophies from the Burt Lerner National Elementary (K-6) Chess Championships. This year, the event was held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from May 9-11. Stevenson Elementary School from Bellevue, Washington, won the first place team title in the K-3 Championship section, the first place team trophy in K-5 U900 section and the tenth place trophy in the K-5 Championship section. Last year, the Stevenson team clinched first place in the K-3 U800 and K-5 U900 sections and fifth place in the K-5 Championship. In 2005, Stevenson won the National Team title in the K-5 Championship section.

This annual event, organized by the United States Chess Federation, brings together the best scholastic chess players from around the country to compete in nine sections. This year over 2,200 students from 45 states participated.

Stevenson Elementary fielded a total of three teams composed of 17 of its best chess players. The K-3 Championship team of Daniel Hua, Patrick Wang, Amith Vanmane, Kevin Ma (the only second grader, the other team members were third graders), Nathan Chou, and

Stephen Embry won the 209-player section impressively with 21 points. The team score is computed based on the top four individual scores. Several team members won individual trophies, including Daniel Hua (7th place), Patrick Wang (11th place), Amith Vanmane (25th place) and Nathan Chou (1st place U600). Nathan also won the Biggest Upset award by defeating a player rated more than 800 points higher.

The K-5 U900 team topped the 406-player section in even more convincing fashion with a score of 24 points. All four team members won individual trophies, each with a score of six points. They were Kevin Qiu (9th place), Grace Sun (10th place), Eric Chen (12th place), and Allen Yuan (14th place), who was the only fifth grader, the other team members were fourth graders.

The K-5 Championship team of Jiayi Hu (the only fourth grader on a team of fifth graders), Brandon Wang, Brian Yu and Robert Zhang scored 15.5 points in the 288-player section. Individual class trophy winners include Jiayi Hu (1st place U1200), Brandon Wang (1st place U1000), and Brian Yu (2nd place U1000).



The Stevenson team, including coaches NM Elliott Neff (rear row, left), David Hendricks (rear row, second from right), and NM Harlen Lee (rear row, right).

photo courtesy of Uma Vanmane and Kan Qiu

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Other individual trophy winners include fifth grader Leanne Hwa (2nd place) in the K-6 Unrated section, who had an almost perfect score of 6.5 and third grader Nikolai Warner (10th place) in the K-3 Unrated section. First grader Kumho Chun played in the K-1 Championship.

The following players also participated in side events. In the Bughouse tournament, Allen Yuan teamed with Jack Go from Eastside Christian School and won fifth place out of 54 teams. Leanne Hwa and Grace Sun won seventh place. Eric Chen and Kevin Qiu won 25th place. In the Blitz K-6 tournament, Eric Chen, Grace Sun, Leanne Hwa and Allen Yuan won the 11th place team trophy and Grace also took third place U800.

Stevenson Chess Club Coaches

The Stevenson Chess Club is coached by Elliott Neff, Matt Fleury, David Hendricks, and Gregg Dillingham. This year's team was led by coaches Elliott Neff, David Hendricks, and Harlan Lee.

Elliott Neff, a self-taught chess master, has been the head coach for the past five years. He is the founder of Chess4Life Center and Clarus Academy in Bellevue. Matt Fleury has been a coach at Stevenson for five years. He was the winner of Washington State Premier in 2005. David Hendricks has been a coach at Stevenson for six years. He

is currently the scholastic director of the Washington Chess Federation. Gregg Dillingham has been a coach at Stevenson for 3 years.

The Stevenson Chess Club

The Stevenson Chess Club is in its sixth full year as an after-school activity at Stevenson Elementary in Bellevue. The club has 86 members from first through fifth grades and is run by parent volunteers.

Stevenson Elementary is a K-5 school in the Bellevue School District, located in the heart of Bellevue, across Lake Washington from Seattle. The school enrolls 582 students. It has a widely diverse student population: 22% white, 7% African-American, 41% Asian, 20% Hispanic, and 9% multi-ethnic. Fifty-eight percent of the students speak a first language other than English and 35% qualify for free- and reduced-price lunches. The school includes both a neighborhood program and a magnet program for gifted students. The goal of our club is to promote scholastic chess to as many students as possible. The club includes students from the entire school. ■

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↙ **NEW DATE**
orig. 8/30

♣ **July 13, Aug 10 SCC Sunday Tornado** ♣
Format: 4-SS. **TC:** G/64. **EF:** \$17 (+\$5 fee for non-SCC). **Prizes:** 1st 35%, 2nd 27%, Bottom Half 1st 22%, 2nd 16% (\$10 from each EF goes to prize fund). **Reg:** 10:30-11:15 a.m. **Rds:** 11:30-1:50-4:10-6:30. **Misc:** USCF, WCF/OCF memb. req'd, OSA, NS, NC.

↙ **CANCELED**
go to WA Blitz

♣ **July 12, Aug 9 SCC Saturday Quads** ♣
Format: 3-RR, 4-plyr sections by rating. **TC:** G/120. **EF:** \$7 (+\$5 fee for non-SCC). **Prizes:** Free entry for future quad. **Reg:** 9:00-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** 10:00-2:15-ASAP. **Misc:** USCF, WCF/OCF memb. req'd, OSA, NS, NC.

July 27 SCC Novice
Format: 4-SS. Open to U1200 and unrated. **TC:** G/75. **EF:** \$11 by 7/24, \$16 at site. (\$2 disc. for SCC mem., \$1 for mem. of other dues-req'd CCs in WA, OR, & BC). **Prizes:** Memberships (SCC, WCF, USCF). **Reg:** 9-9:45a. **Rds:** 10-12:45-3:30-6. **Byes:** 1 (Rd 3 or 4-commit at reg.). **Misc:** USCF memb. req'd, NS, NC.

SCC welcomes back FM Bill Schill!

FM Schill will present a free lecture entitled *Four Kings: Kortchnoi, Karpov, Kasparov, and Kramnik* before the first round of the Seafair, 6:30-7:45 p.m., August 15.

Seattle Seafair

August 15-17 or August 16-17

A one-section, five-round Swiss with a time control of 40/2 and SD/1 (Two-day schedule – Round 1, G/64). The prize fund of \$1620 is based on 58 paid entries, 6 per prize group.

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U1200	\$60	
Unrated	\$45	
Upset (Rds 1-4)	\$10/rd	
Plus Score Pool	\$215	

Entry Fees: \$41 if rec'd by 8/13, \$50 at site. **GMs, IMs, & WGMs**—FREE. **Unrated**—Free with purchase of 1-yr USCF & 1-yr WCF. **SCC members**—subtract \$11. Members of other dues-required CCs in BC, OR, and WA—subtract \$5. **Add \$1 to any EF for 2-day schedule.**

Registration: Fri. 7-7:45pm, Sat. 9-9:45am.

Rounds: Fri. 8, Sat. (10 @ G/64)-12:30-6:45, Sun. 11-5.

Byes: 2 (Sunday rounds, commit at registration).

Miscellaneous: USCF & WCF membership req'd. No smoking. No computers.

**New Event!!! 4-round Swiss
coming Sept. 13-14**

Future Events

♣ indicates a Christopher Memorial NW Grand Prix event

♣ June 28, July 26 PCC Game-in-60 ♣

Site: *Portland CC*, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland OR 97219. **Format:** 4-rd Swiss. **TC:** G/60. TD may switch to 5SS and G/45 if more than 25 entries. **EF:** \$20, \$5 discount for PCC members. No advance entries. **Prize Fund:** \$\$200/b20. **Prizes:** \$60-40-30, U1800 35, U1500 35. **Reg:** 9-9:30 am. **Byes:** One 1/2-pt. bye avail. if requested at reg. **Misc:** USCF & OCF/WCF membership req'd, OSA. **Info:** portlandchessclub@gmail.com, 503-246-2978, www.pdxchess.org.

♣ June 28-29 Evergreen Empire Open ♣

Site: *Tacoma CC*, 409 Puyallup Ave E, Rm 11, 2nd flr (DTI Soccer Bldg). **Format:** 5-SS **TC:** G/120. **EF:** \$30 in advance, \$40 at site. Juniors: \$20, \$25. Economy (no Prizes): \$12. UNR free w/ purch. 1-yr. USCF+WCF. **Prize fund:** 67% of full-pay EFs. **Prizes:** 25%, top 3rd 15%, middle 3rd 14%, bottom 3rd 13% (2 prz grps if fewer than 9 full EFs). **Reg:** 9-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** 10-2:30-7, 10-3 or ASAP. **Byes:** Two 1/2-pt byes avail. **Misc:** USCF & OCF/WCF memb. req'd. OSA. NS. NC. **Ent/Info:** Gary Dorfner, 8423 E 'B' St, Tacoma WA 98445; 253-535-2536, ggarychess@aol.com.

♣ June 28 Qualchan Quads ♣

Site: *Spokane Valley Library*, 12004 E Main, Spokane Valley WA 99206. **Format:** 3-RR. **TC:** G/120. **EF:** \$16. **Reg:** 9-9:45 am. **Rds:** 10-2:30-7. **Misc:** USCF membership req'd. **Info:** Dave Griffin, dbgriffin@hotmail.com, 509-928-3250.

♣ July 12-13 Spokane Falls Open ♣

Site: *River Square Park Kress Gallery*, W 808 Main, Spokane WA 99201. **Format:** 5-SS. **TC:** G/90. **EF:** \$18 if rec'd by 7/11, \$25 at site. 18 & under - \$15; UNR - free. **Prize fund:** \$\$500 b/ 25, 4/prz gp. **Prizes:** \$125-75, U2000 75, U1700 75, U1400 75, Biggest Upset 75. **Reg:** 9-9:40 am. **Rds:** 10-1:30-5:30, 9:30-1:30 or ASAP. **Byes:** One 1/2-pt bye avail., request for rds 4-5 before end of rd 3. **Misc:** USCF memb. req'd. NC. **Spokane City Championship Match:** David Sprenkle vs. ????. **TC:** G/120. **Rds:** 7/10 (Spokane CC) - 7:30p, 7/12 - 10-4:30, 7/13 (if nec.) - 9:30. **G/10 Playoff (if nec.):** 1 hr after end of rd 4. **Ent/Info:** Dave Griffin, PO Box 631, Spokane Valley WA 99037; dbgriffin@hotmail.com, 509-928-3250; Adam Attwood macrohistorian@gmail.com; www.spokanechessclub.org.

♣ July 12-13 Portland Summer Open ♣

Site: *Portland CC*, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland OR 97219. **Format:** 2 sec., 5-SS. **TC:** Sat. 40/90, SD/30; Sun. 40/2, SD/1. **EF:** \$30 if rec'd by 7/9, \$35 at site. \$10 discount for PCC members. **Prize fund:** \$\$650 b 40, 4/prz gp. **Prizes:** *Open* \$150-100, U2000 75; *Reserve (U1800)* \$100-75, U1600 50, U1400 50, U1200/UNR 50. **Reg:** 9-9:30 am. **Rds:** 10-2-ASAP, 10-ASAP. **Byes:** Two 1/2-pt bye avail., request at reg. **Misc:** USCF & OCF WCF memb. req'd. NC. **Ent/Info:** Portland CC (see address above); portlandchessclub@gmail.com, 503-246-2978, www.pdxchess.com.

♣ July 19-20 Puget Sound Open ♣

Site: *Tacoma CC*, 409 Puyallup Ave E. Rm 11, 2nd flr (DTI Soccer Bldg). **Format:** 5-SS **TC:** G/120. **EF:** \$30 in advance, \$40 at site. Juniors: \$20, \$25. Economy (no Prizes): \$12. UNR free w/ purch. 1-yr. USCF+WCF. **Prize fund:** 67% of full-pay EFs. **Prizes:** 25%, top 3rd 15%, middle 3rd 14%, bottom 3rd 13% (2 prz grps if fewer than 9 full EFs). **Reg:** 9-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** 10-2:30-7, 10-3 or

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♣ Aug 2 Pierce County Class Championships ♣

Site: *Tacoma CC*, 409 Puyallup Ave E, Room 11, 2nd flr (DTI Soccer Bldg). **Format:** 6 sec. (M/X, A, B, C, D & Under), 5-SS. **TC:** G/30. **EF:** \$15, Jrs \$10. **Prize Fund:** \$\$160 (b/20, 3/class). **Prizes:** M/X \$40, A \$30, B \$30, C \$30, D & Under \$30. **Reg:** 9-9:45 am. **Rds:** 10-11:30-1:30-3-4:30. **Info/Ent:** Gary Dorfner, 8423 E 'B' St, Tacoma WA 98445, 253-535-2536, ggarychess@aol.com.

Aug 9 WA Blitz Championships

Site: *Crossroads Mall*, 15600 NE Eighth St, Bellevue WA 98008. **Format:** 2 sec. (Open, K-12), 7x2-SS. **TC:** G/5. **EF:** *Open* \$25 if rec'd by 7/12, \$30 thereafter. **K-12** \$15. **Prize Fund:** 60% of EFs. **Prizes:** *Open* based on entries (includes u21). **K-12** trophies & medals. **Reg:** noon-12:25 pm. **Rds:** 1st rd - 12:30. **Misc:** *Open* WCF memb. req'd. **Rules:** clock move; illegal move - add 2 min to opp. **Info/Ent:** 425-283-0549, chess4life.com (*Open* by 7/12); Chess4Life Center, 13555 Bel-Red Rd, Ste 200, Bellevue WA 98005.

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7-11	grades K-8	Everett WA
7-11	grades K-8	Seattle WA
14-18	grades K-6	Kirkland WA
21-25	grades K-6	Bellevue WA
21-25	grades K-6	Seattle WA
July 28-Aug 1	grades K-8	Seattle WA
Aug 4-8	grades K-6	Seattle WA
4-8	grades K-6	Everett WA
11-15	grades 8-12	Seattle WA
18-22	grades K-6	Woodinville WA
24-25	grades K-8	Bellevue WA

David Hendricks Sammamish WA

	425-868-3881 davidhendricks@comcast.net
July 14-18	grades 4-9
July 28-Aug 1	grades 1-3

Tony Sanchez Camas WA

	360-834-8506 www.lacamassport.com
July 14-17	ages 6-17

Open Events

June 2008

♣28	♣ PCC Game-in-60	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
♣28	Qualchan Quads	Dave Griffin 509-928-3260 dbgrffn@hotmail.com	Spokane Valley WA
♣28-29	Evergreen Empire Open	253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
29	COCC Sunday G/25	seantobin_2000@yahoo.com	Bend OR
30-July 6	World Open	www.chesstour.com	Philadelphia PA

July 2008

1	PCC Tuesday Quads begin	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
1	COCC Unrated G/90	seantobin_2000@yahoo.com	Bend OR
5	PCC Saturday Quads	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
8,15,22	COCC G120 Swiss	seantobin_2000@yahoo.com	Bend OR
8-9	GM Anka Class (adult/adv HS)	taylorbailey@gmail.com	Portland OR
11,18,25	Firecracker Swiss	253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
♣12-13	Portland Summer Open	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
♣12-13	Spokane Falls Open	509-928-3260 dbgrffn@hotmail.com macrohistorian@gmail.com	Spokane WA
♣12	SCC Saturday Quads	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechess.org	Seattle WA
♣13	SCC Sunday Tornado	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechess.org	Seattle WA
16	Lecture: Rook Endings	mark.ryan@translation.net www.calandersonpark.org	Seattle WA
20	COCC Summer Sizzler G/90	seantobin_2000@yahoo.com	Bend OR
♣19-20	Puget Sound Open	253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
23	Campbell Center Open	541-682-6392 541-342-5406 mel.c.mann@ci.eugene.or.us www.eugene-or.gov/recreation	Eugene OR
♣26	♣ PCC Game-in-60	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
26	WA vs. OR Match	H. Greninger 360-533-1900 fax 360-533-1909 harleyg@prgraysharbor.com	Hoquiam WA
27	SCC Novice	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechess.org	Seattle WA
27	COCC G/25	seantobin_2000@yahoo.com	Bend OR

August 2008

1,8,15,22	TCC Summer Championship	253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
2	PCC Saturday Quads	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
2-10	U.S. Open	main.uschess.org/tournaments/2008/usopen	Dallas TX
♣2	Pierce Cty Class Championships	253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
5	PCC Tuesday Quads begin	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
9	WA Blitz Championships	www.chess4life.com	Bellevue WA
♣10	SCC Sunday Tornado NEW DATE	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechess.org	Seattle WA
13	Simultaneous Exhibition	mark.ryan@translation.net www.calandersonpark.org	Seattle WA
♣15-17	Seafair Open	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechess.org	Seattle WA
♣23	♣ PCC Game-in-60	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.pdxchess.org	Portland OR
♣23-24	Tacoma Summer Open	253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
♣30-Sep 1	Oregon Open	www.pdxchess.org	Gresham OR

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Scholastic Events

For Summer Camp information see pages 16 and 23

July 2008

tba	OSCF All-Stars Invitational	OR
16	TCC Wed. Kids Night	Gary 253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
19	Ecuador Fundraiser	www.chess4life.com	Renton WA
21	Elena's Blitz III	www.chessplayer.com	Kirkland WA

August 2008

13	TCC Wed. Kids Night	Gary 253-535-2536 ggrychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
17	Elena's Blitz IV	www.chessplayer.com	Kirkland WA

USCF NATIONAL Scholastics

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July 25-28

US Junior Open

Lindsborg KS

Nov. 7-9

National Youth Action

Brownsville TX

Dec. 12-14

National K-12/Collegiate Championship

Kissimmee FL

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