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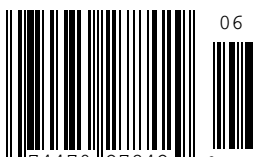
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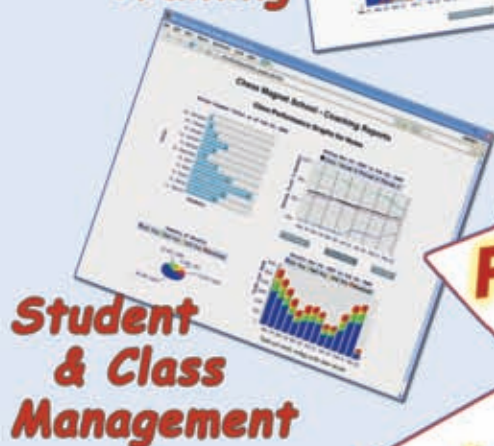
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## A GREAT IDEA!



James Ross, a first grader in New Orleans, found a great way to stay in touch with his father, who is stationed in Afghanistan. A weekly date to play chess, using Skype, does the trick! Michael Tisserand runs the local chess program and he sent in the cover photo, taken by Denice Ross, James' mother, and we thank them both—and James!

# 2011 CHESS MAGNET SCHOOL JUNIOR GRAND PRIX STANDINGS



This unofficial list is based on USCF records and TD reports as of Wednesday, May 11, 2011. There are 4,209 players with JGP points and 164 JGP-eligible events have resulted in points earned.

## State Leaders

NAME	STATE	PTS	EVENTS
COSTANZI, HARRISON	AL	2155	1
BROCK, DAMON	AR	2326	1
GROSS, MATTHEW	AZ	2193	1
SRIHARI, PRAMODH	CA-N	2700	2
PETERSON, DANTE	CA-S	2890	3
WISE, DAVID MICHAEL	CO	1890	1
WIENER, ALEXANDRA	CT	2499	4
HAUGE, DAVID RICHEY	DC	2129	2
KAMARA, ABUBAKARR	DE	2846	1
FERNANDEZ, JUSTIN GABRIEL	FL	2590	1
DUTTA, SURYABRATA	GA	2207	2
BEDDOW, LUCAS GRAY	HI	1050	1
SCHAECKENBACH, LUKE	IA	2850	2
HARMON-VELLOTTI, LUKE	ID	2814	1
SPIEGEL, EVAN	IL	2704	4
WANG, KEVIN S	IN	1517	2
JASTI, SIDDHARTH	KS	2974	1
SEDER, DAVID	KY	1051	1
SIMIEN, KENDALL JAMES	LA	2792	1
GROSSACK, ADAM	MA	2100	1
PAPAIAHGARI, SURAJ	MD	2610	3
REYNOLDS, AVERY	ME	2100	1
NIELSEN, MATHILDE	MI	2800	1
BERGELAND, AUSTIN	MN	2748	3
PALLOTTO, JONATHAN H	MO	2752	1
HUANG, DAVID	MS	783	2
LEE, CONRAD	MT	1050	1
LIPTON, PIERRE SASHA	NC	2800	1
PETROSYAN, ANASTASIYA	NE	670	1
WELLING, AASHISH	NH	448	2
VO, DO TA	NM	1486	1
HAYASHI, MICHAEL	NV	364	1
KIKUCHI, ALISA	NY	2847	5
MARKIEWICZ, JOHN	OH	2728	1
RHOADS, MATTHEW	OK	2614	1
ORNES, NEAL	OR	2816	1
NGUYEN, PHILIP	PA	2754	4
GU, CHRISTOPHER	RI	1708	4
LAURIA, MICHAEL D	SC	1108	1
RYSAVY, LUKE T	SD	242	1
JOHNSON, ADAM BRENT	TN	2130	1
AVILA, ISIDRO, JR	TX	2554	2
ROACH, ANDREW	UT	2480	3
KADAVERU, AJIT	VA	2874	3
CAFIERO, MICHAEL I	VT	1496	2
FARNY, ANDREAS PAUL	WA	2800	1
KACZMAREK, DANIEL PETER	WI	2794	2
DHAGE, JAYANTH	WV	1074	1

## Top 50 Overall Standings

NAME	STATE	PTS	EVENTS
QAZI, RAFEH	IL	4695	4
ZACK, DANIEL	NJ	4276	4
JAHANSHAHI, BARDIA	PA	4166	2
LIANG, ADREAM	WI	4137	5
REDDISH, DYLAN	NY	4092	2
ORDONEZ, ED	MD	3940	1
KAUFMANN, JONATHAN	NJ	3932	2
SETIADIKURNIA, SLOAN	WA	3927	2
KORBY, NICKY	CA-S	3893	5
CLAY, DORIAN HAMILTON	WA	3704	1
UNMANN, EVAN MICHAEL	PA	3661	4
CUNNINGHAM, PATRICK	WI	3619	2
YAN, KEVIN	NY	3618	5
CHEN, BRANDON	WA	3616	1
ZEELANDER, ZACHARY JACOB	PA	3609	3
KUMAR, ARAVIND	NJ	3600	9
TADESSE, MICHAEL	MN	3571	3
GIGUERE, WILLIAM ARTHUR	PA	3528	2
PATTERSON, ALEX	MI	3500	1
MURARI, KARTHIKEYAN	KS	3500	1
SINGH, ADITYA	WA	3500	1
SALBERG, ERIC CARMEN	OH	3400	1
XIANG, JOHN	OH	3334	2
BLOCKER, DAVID	PA	3316	2
PERALEZ, JOEL	TX	3314	1
CHAPIN, WILL	NY	3310	3
BANERJEE, ABHIMANYU	FL	3288	3
TURGUT, AYDIN	IL	3268	1
ANDERSON, QUINTEN	MN	3262	2
TAFALLA, GABRIEL	WA	3216	1
VISWANADHA, KESAV	CA-N	3204	6
XIONG, KEVIN	MN	3197	3
BUDEJEN-JEREZ, ALEJANDRO	PA	3158	3
WEIL, JACK THOMAS	MO	3150	1
DIAS, NEHA	SC	3123	1
WIETFELDT, AUGUST	LA	3107	1
MCCORMICK, CONNOR	MN	3084	2
MOTURI, SOUREESH	PA	3078	5
KAPRE, KETAN R	CA-N	3066	3
MIZUSHIMA, DEREK	MD	3051	6
OLSEN, CHRISTOPHER DAVID	MA	3048	1
SCHEIN, AARON O	NY	3035	5
HAWKINS, HARRY J, IV	MO	3018	1
BAROZZI, MICHELANGELO	WA	3006	1
JIANG, JACK	VA	3001	3
KASABRI, MORGAN	NJ	2986	1
JASTI, SIDDHARTH	KS	2974	1
TSAI, AMY	FL	2963	6
MCVAY, KIERNAN	NJ	2955	3
JIANG, NICK	VA	2948	4



Adream Liang plays most of his chess in Wisconsin and Illinois.





# A NATIONAL TREASURE!

By  
Polly Wright

The 2011 National Elementary Championship held on May 6-8, 2011 in Dallas, Texas is now part of our rich chess history. You can read all about it at [www.uschess.org](http://www.uschess.org), and you can check all the individual and team standings at: <http://www.uschess.org/tournaments/2011/elem/?page=RESULTS>. You can also read a brief recap here, while enjoying the pictorial essay offered by Polly Wright.

– Editor

## K-6 Championship

The K-6 Championship section was very strong with 23 players rated over 1800 including one master and three experts. Being one of the highest rated players in the section is not easy. There are many lower rated players waiting to get their first big win against a much higher rated player.

The third round was not a good one for two of the experts. Tommy He (2163) lost to Yash Pershad (1756) and Kesav Viswanadha (2113) lost to Xiexin Wang (1765).

Christopher Wu and Jeffery Xiong

made it to round six as the only two perfect 5-0 scores. They had a long game that ended as a draw. If they both won their last round games they would become co-champions. Xiong could only get a draw in the last round. Wu beat Viswanadha to become the sole K-6 champion.

In the team championship, Daniel Wright JHS (IL) finished two points ahead of Mission San Jose Elementary (CA).

## K-5 Championship

Cameron Wheeler was the highest rated player in this section. He had

some tough games on his way to his perfect 7-0 score. His last round opponent was Vignesh Panchanatham. Both of them are from northern California and have played each other six times prior to this event. They're very evenly matched with two wins, two losses and two draws against each other.

This was not the first time they were playing each other on board one with a national title at stake. At the 2009 SuperNationals they played each other in the last round to decide the K-3 championship. Cameron won in 2009 and repeated the feat in 2011.

For the second nationals in a row, Cameron and his Regnart Elementary School teammate Udit Iyengar would finish 1-2 in their section. They would also win the team title with a convincing 3½ point lead over the second place team, Joseph A Williams Elementary (FL).

## K-3 Championship

This section ended out being the

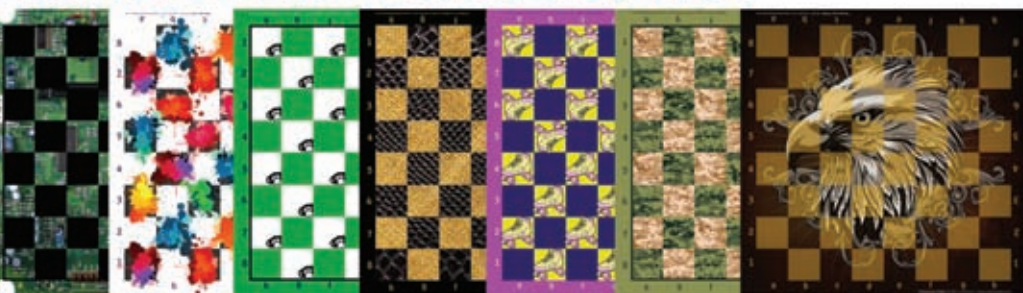


Christopher Wu



Cameron Wheeler

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most closely contested of all. When round seven was done there were three players with 6½ points. None of the top four players would be amongst the co-champions. The winner of the first place trophy on tiebreaks would be Max Aeon Chung of New York. In the battle of



Max Aeon Chung

the 5-0 scores in round six he would beat Rayan Taghizadeh, the 2009 second grade champion. In the final round Arvind Kumar would hold him to a draw, allowing Joseph Wan of Nebraska and Andrew



Joseph Wan

Titus of Minnesota to catch up to him with their last round wins.

In the team competition it was the battle of New York City schools with NEST+m just squeaking by



Andrew Titus

the Dalton School. A mere half point separated the two schools.

### K-1 Championship

The K-1 section is always full of surprises. The pre-tournament favorites were Jason Metpally of Texas rated 1493, and Ben Rood of northern California whose April rat-



Ben Rood

ing of 1336 was used for the tournament. He's had an excellent string of results bringing his June rating up to 1610. It was smooth sailing for Ben, with no upsets on his way to a perfect 7-0 score. Metpally was not as fortunate. In the third round he ran into the perfect storm of Aydin Turgut of Illinois.

With his April rating of 869, Aydin was ranked 50th in the section. Jason was not the only highly ranked player to lose to Aydin. Aydin beat three players rated over 1400 and two players rated over 1300 on his way to his 7-0 score. He won the first place trophy on tiebreaks.



Michael Omori

In his K-1 section *Chess Life Online* preview Kele Perkins made no mention of Aydin as a possible "dark horse" in the section. Perhaps he was overlooked because he does not play as often as a number of the other players.

Many of the pre-tournament favorites play frequently and are part of active chess programs in their area. Aydin's father Dr. Tansel Turgut coaches him. Dr. Turgut is a correspondence chess grandmaster and has an over the board rating of 2381.

Another impressive performance came from third place finisher Milind Maiti of northern California. The Kindergartner scored 6½-1½. His biggest win was over a first grader Daniel Levkov, rated 1490 coming into the event. Both Milind and Rood are coached by Chris



Torres.

In the team competition the Dalton School beat its New York City rival Hunter College Campus School by 1½ points.

### Bughouse and Blitz

For those players who don't think seven games of chess is enough there were bughouse and blitz tournaments on Thursday. The team of Chandler Moy and Carl Dutton scored 11 points to win the bughouse tournament.

Alex Bian scored a perfect 12-0 to win the K-6 blitz tournament. Jonathan Zhou was second with

10½.

Aravind Kumar won the K-3 blitz 10½-1½. Finishing a half point back with 10 points were Bryce Wong, Jeffrey Yan and Kevin Wang. Aydin Turgut was fifth with 9½ points.

Here is a sample of the quality of play displayed by the weekend warriors.

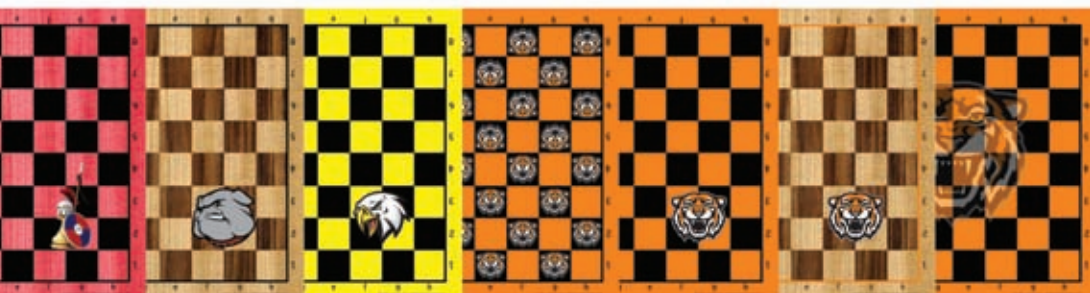
**Tan Nguyen (1330)**  
**Aydin Turgut (1055)**  
[D21]

1. d4 (Catalan at age 6!) d5 2. c4 dxc4 3. e3 e6 4. Nf3 Nf6 5. g3 Bd6 6. Bg2 0-0 7. 0-0 Nc6 8. Nbd2 Na5 9. Qa4 c6 10. Qc2 (10. Nxc4

b5 11. Qxa5) 10. ... b5 11. Rd1 Bd7 12. a4 a6 13. h3 Nd5 14. Ne4 Be7 15. Bd2 Nb3 16. Rab1 bxa4 17. Qxc4 Nb6 18. Qc2 Nd5 19. Ne5 f5 20. Nc5 Bxc5 21. dxc5 Be8 22. Bc3 Qc7 23. Nc4 Bg6 24. Ne5 Bh5 25. g4 fxc4 26. hxg4 Be8 27. Nc4 Bg6 28. Be4 Bxe4 29. Qxe4 Nxc5 30. Qd4 Nb3 (30. ... Rxf2) 31. Qe4 Qf7 32. Rf1 Rad8 33. Ne5 Qc7 34. Nc4 Nc5 35. Qd4 Qe7 36. Ne5 Rc8 37. e4 Nf4 38. Bb4 Ne2+ 39. Kg2 Nxd4 40. Nd3 Qg5 41. Nxc5 Qxg4+ 42. Kh2 Nf3+ 43. Kh1 Qh3# 0-1



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# 2011 USCF All-America Team



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## Age 18

(minimum peak rating 2450)

**GM Robert Hess**, NY tied for second in the 2009 U.S. Championship.



**IM Samuel Shankland**, CA is a grandmaster-elect, and has already qualified four (!) times for the U.S. Championship.

**FM John Daniel Bryant**, CA tied for second at the 2007 American Open and first Under 2400 at the 2009 Western States Open.

## Age 17

(minimum peak rating 2400)

**IM Marc Tyler Arnold**, NY won the 10th, 11th grade nationals, and the K-3 and K-5 national championships.

## Age 16

(minimum peak rating 2350)



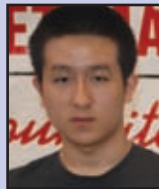
**Conrad Holt**, KS is an IM-elect, earning his third norm at the Berkeley International.



**Michael Lee**, WA Studying with GM Nakamura can't hurt; he earned an international master norm at the 2009 World Open.

**IM Steven Zierk**, CA was the 2010 World Under 18 champion and Denker champion in the same year!

**Alec Getz**, NY has been a member of the All-America team since 2004!



**Victor Shen**, NJ shows working with GM Joel Benjamin helps. Victor won the 2010 National Youth Action K-12 and Blitz titles.

**Howard Chen**, WA is the 2010 Washington State champion.

## Age 15

(minimum peak rating 2300)



**Ray Robson**, FL At 14, he was the youngest grandmaster to represent the USA!



**Parker Bi Guang Zhao**, NY is the 2010 U.S. Junior co-champion

## Age 14

(minimum peak rating 2250)



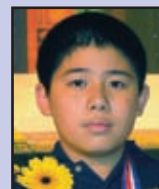
**Daniel Naroditsky**, CA is an IM-elect, and qualified for the 2011 U.S. Championship.



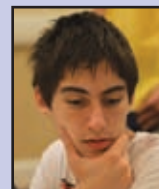
**Gregory Young**, CA Math, science, singing, and basketball keeps him busy when not at the chessboard.

## Age 13

(minimum peak rating 2200)



**Darwin Yang**, TX is another talented youngster with national and international success.



**FM Aleksandr Ostrovskiy**, NY won the 2010 New York State Championship, having become the youngest to do so in the event's

132 year history!



**David Adelberg**, AZ He won the 2010 National Junior High School title.





**Atulya Shetty**, MI studies with GM Kaidanov and qualified for the 2010 U.S. Cadet Championship.

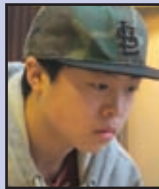


**Michael Bodek**, NY won the National K-12 Blitz Championship.

**James A. Black**, NY won the National K-6 Blitz Championship.



**Kapil Chandran**, CT had won the Connecticut state elementary championship.



**Kevin Cao**, MO has won seven Missouri scholastic titles, and is unbeaten in 42 games!

**Age 11**  
(minimum peak rating 2100)



**Kayden Troff**, UT On the FIDE rating list, he was ranked as high as #2 for players under the age of 14!



**Jeevan Karamsetty**, VA finished in the top 1% in the American Mathematics Competition. He loves cryptography.

**Age 12**  
(minimum peak rating 2200)



**Yian Liou**, CA became the 2010 U.S. Cadet co-champion.



**Christopher Wu**, NJ just won the 2011 National Elementary K-6 title!

**Age 10**  
(minimum peak rating 2000)



**Dache Lin**, TX GM Babakuli Annakov can be very proud of his student.



**Jarod M. Pamatmat**, TX is a three-time national scholastic champion and four-time World Youth qualifier.



**Justus Williams**, NY won the 2010 National Elementary K-6 Championship title!



**Michael L. Chen**, MI became the 2010 Michigan Class A champion.



**Arthur Shen**, NJ won a silver medal at the 2009 Pan American championships.



**Joshua Colas**, NY is already a master, as well as the 2009 National Youth Action Champion.



**Andrew Tang**, MN was the co-champion of the 2010 Minnesota K-6 Championship.



**Kevin Wang**, MD became a master last year, and won the UMBC Sweet 16 title.



**Luke Harmon-Vellotti**, ID is already a published author!

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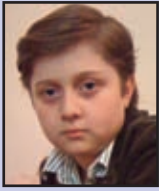


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### Age 9

(minimum peak rating 1900)



**Samuel Sevian, CA** became a master at 9 years, 11 months, and 11 days!



**Jason Shi, CT** made the All-America team by studying with GM Gregory Kaidanov.



**Albert Lu, CA** Having a PhD. In "Pokemon" isn't bad, but better yet is his third place finish in the 2010 North American Youth Championship, K-3 section.



**FM Tommy O. He, TX** earned a gold medal at the 2010 Pan American Youth Championship in Brazil.



**Vignesh Panchanatham, CA** He had great success at the 2010 World Youth, and Pan American Youth events.



**Aravind Kumar, NJ** had a perfect score in the 2010 North American Youth Championship, in the Under 8 section.



**FM Jeffery Xiong, TX** is already a national master and a FIDE master.



**Cameron Wheeler, CA** has been a medalist at a number of state, national, and international events.



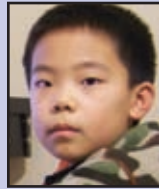
**Praveen Balakrishnan, NJ** was the 2010 National Youth Action K-3 champion.

### Age 8 & Under

(minimum peak rating 1800)



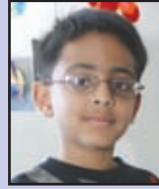
**Jonathan Chiang, TX** has earned a tae kwan do brown belt—as well as being an accomplished chess player!



**Ruifeng Li, TX** Math, science, soccer, and table tennis keep him busy.



**Kadhir Pillai, NY** won the 2010 Marshall Chess Club Amateur Championship.



**Tanuj Vasudeva, CA** was the 2010 Cal Chess K-6 champ while in the 3rd grade.



**Roland Feng, WA** already has two national titles and four state titles to his credit.



**Winston Zeng, CA** Likes math, science, violin, and Lego building!

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and  
THE CHESS DETECTIVE  
will return next issue.



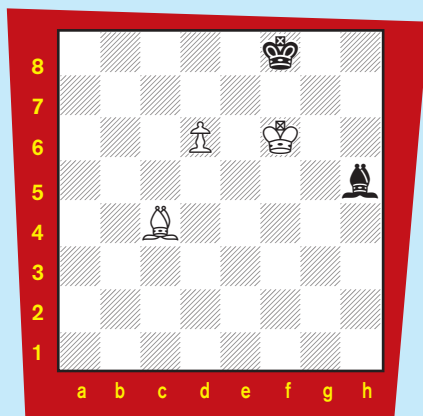


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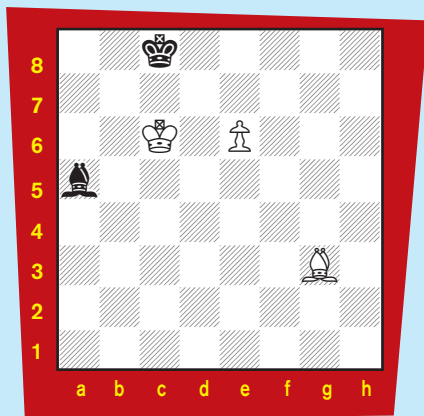
by Pete Tamburro

It's White to Play in all of these positions. In one sense, they are all the same. They all have their own personality, though ... their own little tricks! As usual, you should write down whether it's a win or draw and the moves you think prove that. If you like to do all sorts of problems, don't forget you can go to the games and chess section of [www.arcamax.com](http://www.arcamax.com) and have fun there, too! Send your solutions to: [gpetersen@uschess.org](mailto:gpetersen@uschess.org).

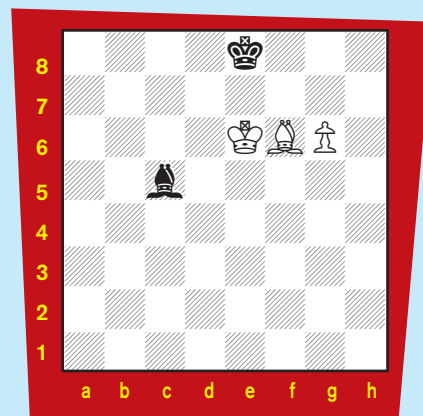
**Position One: White to Play**



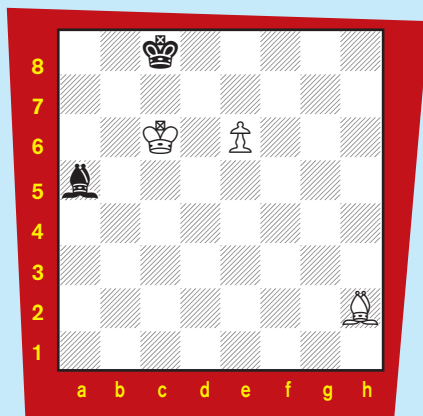
**Position Three: White to Play**



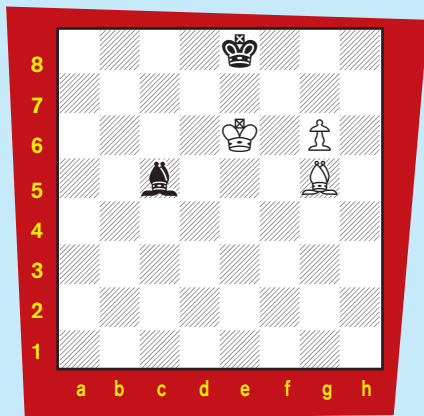
**Position Five: White to Play**



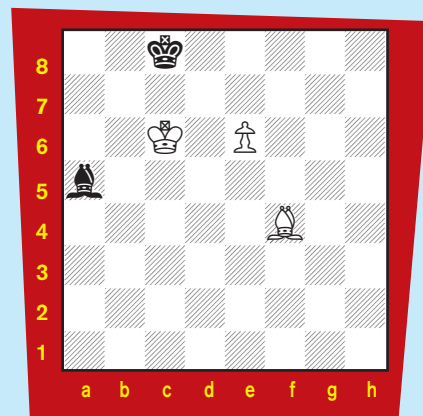
**Position Two: White to Play**



**Position Four: White to Play**



**Position Six: White to Play**



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## Caught Up



The King was looking haggard. His eyes were sunken and red.

“You have not been sleeping,” she said.

“I have not,” he replied.

“Bad dream?” she continued.

He nodded.

“Of Djinn?” she asked. The King had been troubled before by one of these powerful, mischievous beings.

He nodded, sadly.

“Tell me about it,” she said, and then quickly added, “if you please, Your Majesty,” as it was not proper to give orders to a king.

“This time there were three Djins,” the King started.

“Show me,” she prompted, handing him the chessboard and pieces. Perhaps making the dream “real” would help the King to master it.

The King took a minute to construct his problem.

tossed me up in the air,” he said. “I fell, and I fell, and they ran around underneath me and let me fall, until ...”

She nodded. “White to checkmate the King—without the Djinn, er, Queens leaving the first rank.”

They worked together. As they did, she could see the King’s burden lighten.

1. Qf1 Ka7 2. Qh1 Ka6 3. Qhg1 Ka5

“Falling, falling, falling ...”

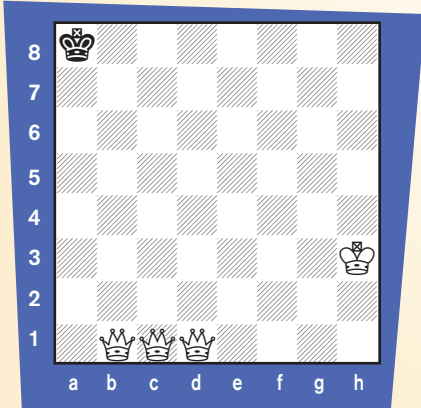
4. Qgf1 Ka4 5. Qce1 Ka3

“and then ...”

6. Qa1 + Kb3 7. Qeb1 checkmate.

“It does not seem so frightening in the light of day,” the King admitted.

“I am glad,” she said.



“They stood on the ground and



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## Quadrupled Pawns:

# IT COULD HAPPEN!



By Jon Edwards

Most of my chess students are convinced that double pawns are so bad that you will lose if you permit them to occur.

To be sure, there are plenty of situations in which doubled pawns are weak, but to convince you that you will not necessarily lose such games, I present some positions with quadrupled pawns!

Play over these games and see if your opinion of these “weak” pawns doesn’t change just a little bit.

To stop the pawns, the defender needs quickly to organize a battery of rooks and/or a queen shooting straight down the file on which the pawns are located.

If the quadrupled pawns cannot quickly be captured, the pawns control many key squares on the adjacent files, a large swath of the board!

As the defender, it would be easy to overestimate your chances in these positions, even down a pawn or two. Hopefully, playing through these games will convince you to think about doubled and tripled pawns in a new light. I have included full scores of these games so that you will actually see how these crazy formations formed. Enjoy the games!

### Alekhine’s Defense (B02)

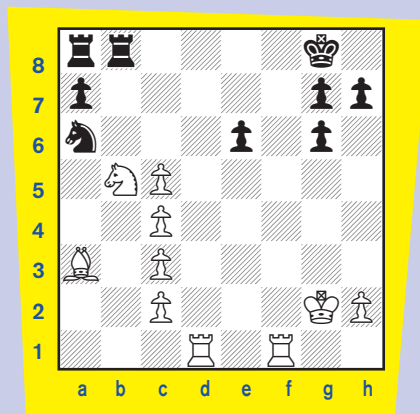
Gabor Kovacs (2225)

Rainer Barth (2305)

Balatonbereny, 1994

1. e4 Nf6 2. Nc3 d5 3. exd5 Nxd5  
4. Bc4 c6 5. d4 g6 6. Nge2 Be6 7.

Bb3 Nxc3 8. bxc3 Bxb3 9. axb3  
Bg7 10. 0-0 0-0 11. f4 Na6 12.  
Ba3 Re8 13. Qd3 Qb6 14. f5 c5  
15. fxc6 fxc6 16. Qc4+ e6 17.  
dxc5 Qc6 18. Rad1 b5 19. Nd4  
Qxg2+ 20. Kxg2 bxc4 21. Nb5  
Reb8 22. bxc4



After 22. bxc4

22. ... Rc8

Logical. Black organizes a frontal attack upon the pawns.

23. Nd6 Rc6 24. Ne4

The centralized knight holds the c5 and c3 pawns and makes room for Rd7.

24. ... Rac8 25. Rd7

Black cannot ignore the threat of Rff7.

25. ... R6c7 with a lock upon the position, White could easily play Rff7.

26. Rd6 Rc6 27. Rfd1 Bf8 28. Rxc6 Rxc6 29. Rd8

Defending the c5-pawn by pinning the bishop.

29. ... Kf7 30. Rd7+ Be7

Avoiding a simple mate after 30. ... Kg8 31. Nf6+ Kh8 32. Rxh7#; and certainly not 30. ... Ke8 31.

Nf6#.

31. Rxa7 h6 32. Bc1

More thematic is 32. Nf2 with the idea of Nd3-e5.

32. ... g5 33. h4 gxh4 34. Bf4 e5

The c5-pawn is immune: 34. ... Nxc5 35. Nxc5 Rxc5 36. Bd6.

35. Bxe5 Re6 36. Nd6+ Kg6 37. Bd4

A strong central post, defending and defended by the pawns.

37. ... Nb8 38. Ra8 Nc6 39. Rg8+

The most instructive technique with the quad pawns appears to be 39. Ra6 Nb8 40. Rb6 Nd7 41. Rb7 Ne5 42. Nb5+-.

39. ... Kh5 40. Nf5 Rg6+ 41. Rxg6 Kxg6 42. Nxe7+ Nxe7 43. Kh3 Nc6 44. Kxh4, Draw.

[C55]

Stanko Kosanski (2365)

Slobodan Pilepic (2075)

Pula, 1998

1. e4 e5 2. Bc4 Nf6 3. d3 Nc6 4. Nf3 d6 5. Ng5 d5 6. exd5 Na5 7. Nc3 Bb4 8. 0-0 Bxc3 9. bxc3 Nxc4 10. dxc4 0-0 11. Re1 Re8 12. a4 Bf5 13. a5 h6 14. Nf3 Bg4 15. h3 Bxf3 16. Qxf3 Nd7 17. Ba3 b6 18. Qe3 Qg5 19. Qd3 Qg6 20. Qxg6 fxc6 21. Rab1 Rab8 22. f3 Kf7 23. Rb5 a6 24. Rb2 Kf6 25. Reb1 bxa5 26. c5 Rxb2 27. Rxb2 Rb8 28. Rxb8 Nxb8 29. c6 e4 30. Bc5 a4 31. d6 a3 32. dxc7

(See diagram, top of page 16)

Black cannot prevent the promotion of the c7-pawn and must therefore try to promote the a-pawn.

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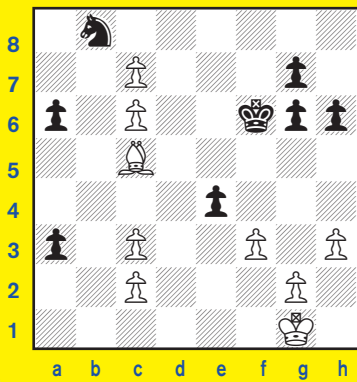


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After 32. dxc7

32. ... a2 33. Bd4+

But White can prevent the a-pawn from advancing. 34. c4 is next.

Black resigned.

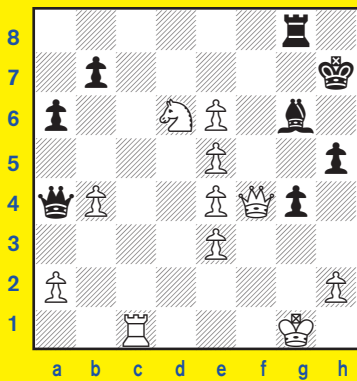
#### Dutch Defense (A84)

Joanna Dworakowska (2320)

Svetlana Petrenko (2301)

Germany, 2007

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. e3 e6 4. Nf3 f5 5. Bd3 Nf6 6. 0-0 Be7 7. b3 0-0 8. Ba3 Ne4 9. Bxe7 Qxe7 10. Ne5 Nd7 11. f4 Nxe5 12. fxe5 g5 13. Nd2 Bd7 14. Rf3 Be8 15. Qc2 Bh5 16. Rff1 Bg6 17. Rac1 Rf7 18. cxd5 cxd5 19. Bxe4 dxe4 20. Nc4 h5 21. Nd6 Rg7 22. Qe2 Rf8 23. Rc4 a6 24. Rfc1 f4 25. Rc8 f3 26. gxf3 Rxc8 27. Rxc8+ Kh7 28. fxe4 g4 29. Qf2 Rg8 30. Qf4 Qh4 31. Rc1 Qd8 32. b4 Qd7 33. d5 Qa4 34. dxe6



After 34. dxe6

White is three pawns to the good, but Black is playing on, counting on the weakness of the pawns as compensation. But the power of the pawns is evident.

The bishop is the only black piece attacking one of the pawns, and that pawn is doubly defended. The pawns offer anchors for the knight and queen, and the white rook has an entry square on c7.

34. ... Qxb4

Winning back one pawn and pressuring the e4-pawn.

35. Nf7

Also sharp is Nf5. Both moves support the idea of Qh6# and in each case, capturing the knight visibly strengthens White's position.

35. ... Bxf7 36. exf7 Rf8 37. Qf5+ Kh6 38. e6

The pawns, now undoubled, are a powerful force.

Black resigned.

#### Queen's Gambit Declined (D35)

Shahalam Mahbub

Marius Alin Maier (2026)

Dos Hermanas Internet qual-A 10th ICC INT (4), 03.13.2009

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. cxd5 exd5 5. Bg5 Be7 6. e3 0-0 7. Bd3 Be6 8. Nf3 Nbd7 9. 0-0 c5 10. Rc1 c4 11. Be2 a6 12. Ne5 Rc8 13. Qa4 Nxe5 14. dxe5 Nd7 15. Bf4 Nc5 16. Qc2 b5 17. Bf3 b4 18. Ne2 Nd3 19. Rcd1 Qa5 20. b3 Rfd8 21. Nd4 Nxf4 22. exf4 cxb3 23. Qxb3 Rc3 24. Qb1 Rdc8 25. f5 Bd7 26. e6 Ba4 27. exf7+ Kf8 28. Rde1 Rxf3

In sacking the rook, Black must have assumed that White would recapture with the Nd4. After all, who would freely accept the quad pawns?

29. gxf3

(see diagram, top of next column)

But here they are. The f7-pawn provides some safety for the Kf8, but White can activate the Qb1



After 29. gxf3

with f6.

29. ... Bd7

29. ... Kxf7 is bad because the pawn cannot be taken since after 30. Rxe7+ Kxe7 White's remaining pieces leap to life: 31. f6+ with the queen heading to h7, the rook to e1, and the knight to e6; 29. ... Bf6 removes the bishop from the glare of the Re1, but the attack on the Nd4 pales to the increasing activity of the rooks—30. Rc1 Rc4 (Black cannot capture the Nd4 with 30. ... Rxc1 because White has this intermezzo 31. Ne6+ Kxf7 32. Rxc1+-) 31. Rxc4 dxc4 32. Qe4 Bxd4 33. Qxd4 Qxf5 34. Qxc4. After queen exchanges, White will be an Exchange up with an easy position: 34. ... Qg5+ 35. Qg4 Qxg4+ 36. fxg4 Bd7.

30. Ne6+

Far more thematic is 30. f6, and much faster to use the pawns! The threat now is Qxh7. If 30. ... Bxf6 31. Qxh7 Kxf7 32. Nf5! which is the move that White probably overlooked. The threat is 33. Nh6+ with mate to follow. 32. ... Bxf5 33. Qxf5 with an entry square on e6 as 33. ... Qd8 34. Re5 Rc5 35. Rd1 wins the d-pawn.

30. ... Bxe6

On 30. ... Kxf7 the rooks activate quickly on the c- and e-file: 31. Rc1 Rc3 32. Rfe1.

31. fxe6 d4 32. Qe4



It's hard to believe that White missed 32. Qxh7 Qg5+ 33. Kh1 Bd6 34. Qh8+ Ke7 35. Qxc8+-.

**32. ... Qg5+ 33. Qg4**

Once again, the pawns provide useful anchors.

**33. ... Qxg4+ 34. fxg4 d3**

White now needs only to activate the rooks.

**35. Rd1 Rd8 36. Rd2 Bg5**

Trying to prevent the rooks from doubling.

**37. f4 Bh4 38. Rf3 Be1 39. Rxd3 Rxd3 40. Rxd3**

Once the rooks are off the board, there's no hope left.

**40. ... Ke7 41. Kf1**

41. Rd8 would have forced resignation.

**41. ... Bc3 42. a3 Bf6 43. axb4 g6 44. Re3 Bg7 45. Re4 Bf8 46. Ke2 h5 47. g5 h4 48. Kd3 a5 49. bxa5 Bh6 50. a6 Bxg5 51. fxg5 h3 52. a7, Black resigned.**

### Queen's Gambit Declined (D66)

Francois Leveille (2370)

Jay R. Bonin (2380)

New York, 1994

**1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 d5 4. Bg5 Nbd7 5. e3 Be7 6. Nf3 0-0 7. Rc1 c6 8. Bd3 a6 9. 0-0 b5 10. c5 a5 11. a3 b4 12. Na2 bxa3 13. bxa3 Ba6 14. Nc3 Bxd3 15. Qxd3 e5 16. dxe5 Ng4 17. Bf4 Nxc5 18. Qf5 Qc8 19. Nd4 g6 20. Qc2 Ne6 21. h3 Nxf4 22. exf4 Nh6 23. Qa4 Qd7 24. Nxc6 Bxa3 25. Nxd5 Qxd5 26. Qxa3 Nf5 27. g4 Rfc8 28. Rfd1 Qe4 29. gxf5 Rxc6 30. Rxc6 Qxc6 31. f6**

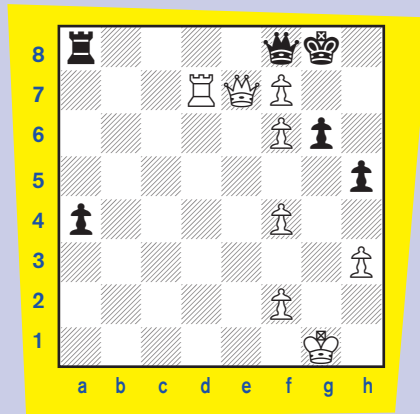
White is a pawn to the good, but Black must surely have counted on the weakness of the pawns and his outside passed pawn.

**31. ... h5 32. Qe7 Qe8 33. Rd7 a4 34. e6 Qf8**

Of course not 34. ... fxe6 35. Qg7#.

**35. exf7+**

(See diagram, top of next column)



After 35. exf7+

**35. ... Kh7**

35. ... Kh8 makes it easy with 36. Qe4 as a double threat on the g-pawn and the Ra8: 36. ... Kh7 37. Qxa8 Qxa8 38. f8=Q#.

**36. Ra7**

Missing the quickest win. 36. Qe8! The threat is Qxa8 and the queen cannot be captured due to 36. ... Rxe8 37. fxe8=Q+.

**36. ... Rb8 37. Rxa4**

Slower, but it works, thanks to the anchor from the f6-pawn.

**37. ... Kh6 38. Re4 Qh8 39. Qe5**

Finally barging through with Qg5 and f5.

**39. ... Rf8 40. Qg5+ Kh7**

After 40. ... Kh7 it's mate with 41. f5 gxf5 42. Qxh5# with the f-pawns playing an attractive role all the way to the finish.

**Black resigned.**

### Sicilian Defense (B21)

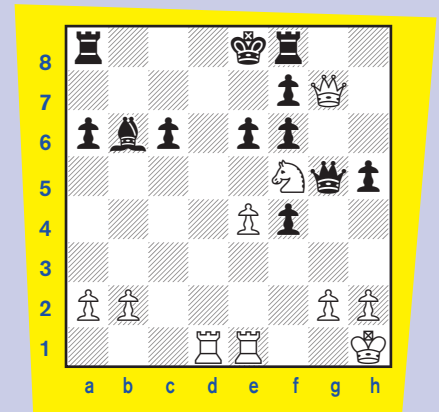
Thomas Lochte (2220)

Stefan Gross (2290)

Budapest FS05 IM Budapest (11), 1996

**1. e4 c5 2. d4 cxd4 3. c3 dxc3 4. Nxc3 d6 5. Bc4 Nc6 6. Nf3 e6 7. 0-0 Bd7 8. Bf4 Qb8 9. Nb5 Ne5 10. Nxe5 dxe5 11. Bg3 Nf6 12. Qe2 a6 13. Nd4 Bd6 14. Rad1 Bc7 15. Nf3 Bc6 16. Bh4 h6 17. Bxf6 gxf6 18. Nh4 h5 19. Qf3 Bd8 20. Qg3 Qc7 21. Qg7 Rf8 22. f4**

**exf4 23. Rfe1 Qe5 24. Bd5 Qg5 25. Bxc6+ bxc6 26. Nf5 Bb6+ 27. Kh1**



After 27. Kh1

At first glance, the Nf5 must seem immune from capture, but the quad pawns play important roles. They shut the white queen from joining the attack, they provide the black queen with an anchor, and after 28. exf5+ they also support 28. ... Be3 shielding the king from the assault down the central files. And with the Nf5 gone, it's the white queen who has lost her anchor.

**27. ... exf5, White resigned.**

### Sicilian Defense, Najdorf Variation (B95)

Hans Karl Wegener (2115)

Willi Knebel

Wch Seniors 08th Grieskirchen (2), 11.09.1998

**1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Bg5 e6 7. Bd3 Be7 8. 0-0 b5 9. a4 b4 10. Na2 a5 11. e5 dxe5 12. Bxf6 gxf6 13. Qf3 Ra7 14. Bb5+ Kf8 15. Nf5?**

The pawns claim a victim. 19. Nb3 was perfectly playable, but White, facing the possibility of tripled or quad pawns, lashes out with a speculative attack.

**15. ... exf5 16. Qe3**

The goal is Qh6 check forcing the king to g8. White counts on the

buried nature of the Rh8 and exposure of the black king.

16. ... Qd4 17. Qh6+ Kg8 18. c3 Qg4

Aiming for Qg5, using the pawns to support a game-ending queen exchange.

19. Qe3 Rc7 20. cxb4 axb4 21. Rfc1 Rxc1+ 22. Rxc1 Kg7 23. h3 Qg5

Down a piece, White lashes out with ...

24. f4

Believing that Black surely could not capture the pawn.

24. ... exf4



After 24. ... exf4

The quad pawns in their purest form, on f7, f6, f5, and f4. I cannot resist the observation that the pawns are so strong that Black sacrifices a piece to obtain them.

25. Qxe7 Be6

The pawns fully safeguard the king and provide anchors for the queen and bishop.

26. h4 Qg3

The threat is ... Bxa2.

27. b3 f3

And White resigned rather than face 28. Rc2 Qe1+ 29. Bf1 Qe3+ 30. Rf2 Nc6 with ... Nd4 to follow.

### King's Indian Defense (A48)

Laszlo Mihok (2142)

Guenther Jahnel (2329)

Nuremberg LGA Cup 5th

Nuremberg (6), 09.07.2008

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. Bf4 0-0 5. Qd2 d6 6. 0-0-0 c6 7. Bh6 b5 8. Bxg7 Kxg7 9. Ng5 a5 10. e4 b4 11. Na4 h6 12. e5 hxg5 13. exf6+ exf6 14. c3 bxc3 15. Nxc3 a4 16. a3 Rh8 17. Bd3 Nd7 18. Rde1 Nb6 19. Bc2 Qc7 20. Qd1 d5 21. h3 c5 22. Kb1 Bf5 23. Bxf5 gxf5 24. Nb5 Qc6 25. dxc5 Qxb5 26. cxb6 Qxb6 27. f4

Gleefully throwing away a pawn to discombobulate Black's pawn structure. But once again, the pawns demonstrate their strength.

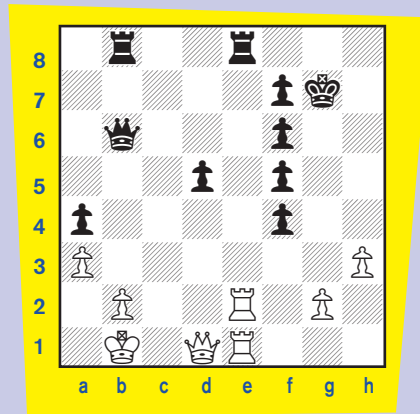
27. ... Rab8

With a simple mate threat.

28. Re2 Rhe8

Of course, White cannot capture on e8.

29. Rhe1 gxf4



After 29. ... gxf4

Once again, the quad pawns appear in their pure form. The black king is remarkably shielded from the influence of White's majors, and White's battery chose the e-file rather than the f-file where they might have better pressured the pawns.

30. Qxa4

Down material, White reclaims a pawn, counting on the fact that Black's extra pawn is buried on the f-file.

30. ... Re4

Using the quad pawns in conjunction with the d-pawn to obtain a very powerful outpost.

31. Qc2 Qb7

Unimpressive. Black had the opportunity to double on the d-file with 31. ... Qe6. Also worth considering was 31. ... Qd6 with the immediate threat of ... Qxa3.

32. Qd2 Qb3 33. Rf1

Trying to switch his attention to the f-file, but it's too late.

33. ... Qxa3 34. Rxe4 dxe4

Preserving the quad pawns (smile).

35. Rxf4 e3

Of course, the queen cannot leave the second rank.

36. Qc2



After 36. Qc2

36. ... Rxb2+! 37. Qxb2 Qxb2+ 38. Kxb2 e2

And the pawns get the last laugh. The rook is helpless.

39. g4 e1=Q 40. Rxf5 Qd2+ 41. Kb1 Qd3+, White resigned.

### Scandinavian Defense (B01)

Sylvia Wolf (2076)

Regina Berglitz (2132)

Germany, 2000

1. e4 d5 2. exd5 Qxd5 3. Nc3 Qa5 4. d4 c6 5. Nf3 Nf6 6. Bc4 Bf5 7. Bd2 e6 8. Nd5 Qd8 9. Nxf6+ gxf6 10. Bc3 Nd7 11. Qe2 Nb6 12. Ba5 Qd6 13. Bxb6 axb6 14. d5 cxd5 15. Bb5+ Ke7 16. 0-0 Rg8 17. Kh1 Qf4 18. Rfd1 Rd8 19. Nd4 Rg5 20. f3 h5 21. g3 Qe5 22. Qf2 h4 23. Re1 hxg3 24. Rxe5 gxf2

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### July 22-24, Texas

#### 2011 U.S. Junior Open

6SS, G/120. Hilton Hobby Airport, 8181 Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77061, [www.houstonhobbyairport.hilton.com](http://www.houstonhobbyairport.hilton.com). Free parking! \$89 HR valid until 7/15. Reserve early! 713-645-3000, Group Code: USJO. **4 Sections based on age: Under 21, Under 15, Under 11 and Under 8. July Rating Supplement.** Ages for entry and prizes as of 1/1/2011. **U21:** \$500+entry to 2012 U.S. Junior Closed - \$250-\$125-\$75-\$50. Individual plaques to top three overall, plaques for best player age 18, 17, 16, 15, Under 15, and for ratings U1600, U1400, U1200. **FIDE rated:** U15: Individual trophies to top five overall, trophies for best player age 14, 13, 12, 11, Under 11, and for ratings U1400, U1200, U1000. **U11:** Individual trophies to top five overall, trophies for best player age 10, 9, 8, 7, Under 7, and for ratings U1200, U1000, U800. **U8:** Individual trophies to top five overall, best player 7, 6 & Under, and for ratings U1000, U800, U600; honorable mention trophies for all others U8. Commemorative medals for all participants. **Teams:** Trophies to top three school teams and top club team in each of the four sections. Top four scores, minimum of three, count towards team score in each section. **Byes:** One half-point bye, any round except Rd 6, if requested before Rd 1. **EF:** \$35 postmarked or on line by 7/9, \$50 after 7/9; no checks on site. **Schedule:** Onsite registration, Fri 8:30-11:00am. Opening Ceremony, Fri 12:30-3pm. Rounds, Fri 6pm & 6pm; Sat 9:30am & 2:15pm; Sun 9am & 1:30pm. Awards Ceremony 1:00pm (approx). **Side Events: Blitz, U21 & U11.** Sat 6:30pm, **EF:** \$15 by 7/9, \$20

on site. **Bughouse:** One section, Sat ASAP after Blitz, **EF:** \$25 per team, on site only. **Parents and Friends Tournament (not rated):** 3SS, G/30, Sat, Rds 10:30, 2:30 & 4:00pm. **EF:** \$10, on site only. **Prizes:** Trophies to top three plus one USCF Premium membership for each five participants. **ENTRIES (Note Correction):** Mail to Francisco Guadalupe, 305 Willow Pointe Dr., League City, TX 77573. **Info:** [fguadalupe@aol.com](mailto:fguadalupe@aol.com), (713) 530-7820. Tournament website link at [uschess.org](http://uschess.org). **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

### July 30-Aug. 2, Florida

#### 2011 Trophies Plus U.S. Girls Junior Open Championship

6SS, 40/2, SD/1. Hyatt Regency Orlando Airport, 9300 Airport Blvd., Orlando, FL 32827 (see U.S. Open). Open to all females born after 7/30/90. **EF:** Free if playing in U.S. Open (must play in 6-Day or 4-Day Schedule), otherwise \$50 mailed by 7/24 or on line by 7/27, \$60 at site. **Prizes:** 1st Place: \$500 Scholarship and Plaque; 2nd Place: \$350 Scholarship and Plaque; 3rd Place: \$150 Scholarship and Plaque; Plaques to Top A, B, C, D, E, Unr. **Registration** ends Sat. 6:30 pm, Rds. Sat. 7 pm, Sun/Mon 12 noon & 7 pm, Tue 11 am. **Ent:** USCF (Girls Junior Open), PO Box 3967, Crossville, TN 38557. **Online entry:** <https://secure2.uschess.org/webstore/tournaments.php>. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

### A Heritage Event!

#### July 30-Aug. 7, Aug. 2-7 or 4-7, Florida

#### Grand Prix Points: 300

#### 112th annual U.S. Open

Includes traditional one game per day schedule (9 days), also 6-day slow time control option, and 4-day option requiring only 3 nights hotel stay for most players. 9SS, 40/2, SD/1 (4 day option, Rds. 1-6, G/60). Hyatt Regency Orlando Airport, 9300 Airport Blvd., Orlando, FL 32827. Parking \$4 to 2 am or \$12 overnight. **HR:** \$99 single/quad, 407-825-1234, 800-233-1234, reserve by July 14 or rate may increase. \$50,000 in prizes based on 500 paid entries, else proportional, \$40,000 (80% of each prize) minimum guaranteed. A one section tournament with Class prizes. Top US player not otherwise qualified qualifies for 2012 U.S. Championship. **Choice of three schedules: Traditional:** 40/2, SD/1. One round daily at 7 pm, except Rd 9, 3 pm 8/7. **6-Day Option:** 7 pm 8/2, 12 noon & 7 pm 8/3-5, 7 pm 8/6, 3 pm 8/7. **4-Day Option:** 1 pm, 4 pm & 7 pm 8/4; 10 am, 1 pm, 3:30 pm & 7 pm 8/5, 7 pm 8/6, 3 pm 8/7. All schedules merge after Round 6 & compete for same prizes. **Projected prizes:** Top places \$8000-4000-2000-1500-1000-800-600-500, clear winner \$200 bonus. If tie for first, top two on tiebreak play speed game (white 5 minutes, black 3 minutes and gets draw odds, 5 second delay) for bonus and title. **Class Prizes:** Top Master (2200-2399) \$2500-1200-800-500, Expert (2000-2199) \$2500-1200-800-500, Class A (1800-1999) \$2500-1200-800-500, Class B (1600-1799) \$2500-1200-800-500, Class C (1400-1599) \$2000-1000-600-400, Class D (1200-1399) \$1500-700-500-300, Class E or below (under 1200) \$1500-700-500-300, Unrated \$800-400-200. Half Point Byes: must commit before round 4; up to 3 byes allowed for 2000/up, 2 byes for 1400-1999, one bye for Under 1400/Unr. Limit 1 bye in last two rounds. Zero point byes are always available in any round. **Entry Fee:** Online, \$145 by 6/12, \$165 by 7/24, \$185 after 7/24. By mail, \$147 postmarked by 6/12, \$167 postmarked by 7/24; do not mail after 7/24! By phone, \$150 by 6/12, \$170 by 7/24, \$185 after. No phone entries after 7/28 (close of business at the Office!) At site, all \$190; GMS free. All entries must be made at least 2 hours prior to your first game. Current USCF membership required (no TMs). **August official ratings used;** unofficial ratings used if otherwise unrated. CCA ratings used if above USCF. Foreign player ratings: usually 100 points added to FIDE or FQE, 200+ added to most foreign national ratings, no points added to CFC. Highest of multiple ratings generally used. **Entries:** USCF, ATTN: 2011 U.S. Open, PO Box 3967, Crossville, TN 38557. **Online entry:** <https://secure2.uschess.org/webstore/tournament.php?wkevent=2011USOPEN>. Phone entry: 800-903-8723. **FIDE rated, No cell phones.** Bring a clock - none supplied. Sets/boards supplied for tournament but not for skillies. Many meetings, workshops and seminars, including: **FIDE Arbiters Seminar** 7/30-8/1, **Chess Promotion Workshops** 8/3-5, **USCF Awards Luncheon** 8/6 noon, **USCF Delegates Meeting** 8/6-7. Many side events and other championships, including: **U.S. Blitz Championship** 7SS Double, 12noon 8/6; **Weekend Swiss** 5SS G/60, 10-1-3:30 Sat 7/30, 10 & 1 Sun 7/31; **U.S. Open Scholastic G/30** 3 Sections: Open, Under 1200/Unr, Under 800/Unr, Rds. 12-1-3:30-3-4:30 Sun 7/31; **U.S. Open Quads** G/30 12-1-3:30-2:30 Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri; **U.S. Open G/15 Championship** 12-1-2-3-4 Wed 8/3; **U.S. Open Bughouse** Sun 7:30 pm; **U.S. Open Fischer Random (Chess960)** 12 noon Tue; **15th Annual Golf Tournament for the U.S. Open Chess Players**, morning of Thursday, Aug. 4th (Those eligible will be all U.S. Open Chess players, side event chess players, and delegates. Please contact Michael Wojcik for more details at [chessgolfmarathons@verizon.net](mailto:chessgolfmarathons@verizon.net)); **U.S. Open Tennis Tournament** (see tournament website for details). In addition, three other championships will also take place: the **2011 Denker Tournament of HS Champions**, the **2011 Barber Tournament of K-8 Champions**, and the **2011 Trophies Plus U.S. Girls Junior Open** (see separate TLA for the Girls event). **Please check the U.S. Open website often for updates, new information and corrections!** <http://www.uschess.org/tournaments/2011/usopen/>. **Chess Magnet School JGP for U.S. Open.**

### Sept. 30-Oct. 2 or Oct. 1-2, Florida

#### Grand Prix Points: 30

#### 2011 U.S. Class Championships

5SS, G/120 (2-Day Option, Rd 1, G/60), \$11,000 b/200 full paid entries, 70% Guaranteed. Junior entries, all Class E, and Unrated Section count as 2/3. Free entry for GMS. Free entry for IMs, deducted from winnings. Hilton Hobby Airport, 8181 Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77061, [www.houstonhobbyairport.hilton.com](http://www.houstonhobbyairport.hilton.com). Free parking! \$89 HRI 713-645-3000, Group Code: USCC. **8 Sections, Rated players may play up one class only, MASTER (2200/up), FIDE Rated, \$1,200-550-300 (U2400: 400-200-100), EXPERT (2000-2199), \$800-400-200, CLASS A (1800-1999), \$800-400-200, CLASS B (1600-1799), \$800-400-200, CLASS C (1400-1599), \$800-400-200, CLASS D (1200-1399), \$800-400-200, CLASS E (U1200), \$300-200-100, Unrated, \$300-100.** National Class Champion title and plaques to each Class winner. Tie-breaks: MSCO. **EF:** \$75 postmarked or on line by 9/23, \$85 after. **Special EF:** \$45 by 9/23 (\$55 after) for all players in Class E, Unrated Section, and Juniors U18 in Class C or D. No checks on site. **3-Day Schedule:** Registration Fri (9:30) 5-7pm. Rds. Fri 8pm, Sat 1pm & 6:30pm, Sun 9:30am & 2:30pm. **2-Day Schedule:** Registration Sat (10/1) 8-

9am. Rds. Sat 10am, 1pm (merges with 3-Day Schedule) & 6:30pm; Sun 9:30am & 2:30pm. Byes for all rounds, must commit before end of Rd 2. **SIDE EVENTS: 5-min BLITZ:** Sat after Rd 3, 2 sections, entries will be split in Upper and Lower, \$10 EF on site, 75% returned in prizes; **SCHOLASTIC TOURNAMENT,** 5SS, G/30, One day only, Sat 10/1, \$20 by 9/23, \$25 after. Sections: K-3, K-6, K-9, K-12. Prizes: Trophies to top 15 in each division. All scholastic players in this side event will receive a commemorative medal. **ENTRIES:** Mail to FL. Guadalupe, 305 Willow Pointe Dr., League City, TX 77573. Tournament website link at [uschess.org](http://uschess.org). **Info:** [fguadalupe@aol.com](mailto:fguadalupe@aol.com), (713) 530-7820. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

### Oct. 1, California, Northern

#### Grand Prix Points: 20 (enhanced)

#### 2011 U.S. Game/60 Championship

4SS, G/60 - \$4,000 b/117 fully paid entries - 75% guaranteed. Hotel rate \$99 by 9/16: Hyatt Regency, 5101 Great America Pkwy., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Free Parking. In 3 sections, **Open Section:** \$500-201-105, u2300 \$200-110, u2100 \$150, u2000 \$130, u1900 \$100. **1400-1799 Section:** \$500-201-100, u1700 \$200, u1600 \$150, u1500 \$100. **Under 1400 Section:** \$500-201-100, u1300 \$200, u1200 \$150, u1100 \$100. Unrated may play in any section but maximum prize is \$100 except no limit in the Open Section. Trophies for top 3 places in each section. **Entry Fee:** Mailed by Mon 9/26 or online by Tue 9/27: \$60. Online 9/28-29 or onsite: \$75. Add \$20 to play-up in a higher section. **DISCOUNTS:** \$10 off each event if also registering for G/30 on Oct. 2. \$10 cash rebate onsite if staying at the hotel under chess rate. Byes: One 1/2 pt bye allowed must commit by start of Rd 2. Reenter with 1/2pt bye in Rd 1 for \$39. September 2011 Supp, CCA min, TD discretion used to place players accurately. **SIDE KIDS EVENT** for K-12 students rated under 1000: 4SSXG/60 in 2 sections, 600-999 and under 600. **Prizes:** Trophies to Top 10 players and Top 5 teams in each section. Best 4 players count for team score. Also trophies to top u800, top u700 in 600-999 section and top u400, top u300, and top u200 in u600 section. **EF:** Mon 9/26 or online by Tue 9/27: \$39. Online 9/28-29 or onsite: \$54. Add \$10 to play-up in a higher section. **Schedule:** Onsite Registration 8:30-9:30am; Round Times: 10:00am, 12:30, 3:00, and 5:30pm. **Mail payments to:** Bay Area Chess, 1590 Oakland Rd., Suite B213, San Jose 95131. \$20 for refunds. T: 408-786-5515. E: [ask@BayAreaChess.com](mailto:ask@BayAreaChess.com), [Info/Form/Entries:BayAreaChess.com/usg60g30](mailto:Info/Form/Entries:BayAreaChess.com/usg60g30), NS, NC, W.

### Oct. 2, California, Northern

#### Grand Prix Points: 15 (enhanced)

#### 2011 U.S. Game/30 Championship

4SS, G/30 - \$4,000 b/188 fully paid entries - 75% guaranteed. Hotel rate \$99 by 9/16: Hyatt Regency, 5101 Great America Pkwy., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Free Parking. In 3 sections, **Open Section:** \$400-200-102, u2300 \$101, u2100 \$101, u2000 \$100, u1900 \$99. **1400-1799 Section:** \$400-200-102, u1700 \$101, u1600 \$100, u1500 \$99. **Under 1400 Section:** \$400-200-102, u1300 \$101, u1200 \$100, u1100 \$99. Unrated may play in any section but maximum prize is \$100 except no limit in the Open Section. Trophies for top 3 places in each section. **Entry Fee** mailed by Mon 9/26 or online by Tue 9/27: \$60. Online 9/28-29 or onsite: \$75. Add \$20 to play-up in a higher section. **DISCOUNTS:** \$10 off each if also registering for G/60 on Oct. 1. \$10 cash rebate onsite if staying at the hotel. Byes: One 1/2 pt bye allowed must commit by start of Rd 2. Reenter with 1/2pt bye in Rd 1 for \$39. September 2011 Supp, CCA min, TD discretion used to place players accurately. **SIDE KIDS EVENT** for K-12 students rated under 1000: 5SSXG/30 in 2 sections, 600-999 and under 600. Trophies to Top 10 players and Top 5 teams in each section. Best 4 players count for team score. Also trophies to top u800, top u700 in 600-999 section and top u400, top u300, and top u200 in u600 section. **EF:** Mon 9/26 or online by Tue 9/27: \$39. Online 9/28-29 or onsite: \$54. Add \$10 to play-up in a higher section. **Schedule:** Onsite Registration 8:30-9:30am; Round Times: 10:00am, 12:30, and 5:30pm. **Mail payments to:** Bay Area Chess, 1590 Oakland Rd., Suite B213, San Jose 95131. \$20 for refunds. T: 408-786-5515. E: [ask@BayAreaChess.com](mailto:ask@BayAreaChess.com), [Info/Form/Entries:BayAreaChess.com/usg60g30](mailto:Info/Form/Entries:BayAreaChess.com/usg60g30), NS, NC, W.

### Oct. 29-30, California, Northern

#### 2011 U.S. Junior Chess Congress

(Blitz on October 28). Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Pkwy., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Free parking. **Hotel rate \$99 only!** **Hyatt Regency, 5101 Great America Pkwy., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Main Event:** Trophies to top 20 players and top 10 teams, including ties, in each section. Participation medals to all entrants. **7 Sections based on age:** Ages 5 & under, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, and 16-18. **Onsite Registration:** Saturday/Sunday 7:30-8:00am. **Round Times:** Saturday & Sunday 9am, 12:15, 3:15pm for all sections except Ages 5 & under is Saturday 9, 10:45, 12:15, 1:45, 3:15pm and Ages 6-7 is Sunday 9, 10:45, 12:15, 1:45, 3:15pm. **Time Controls:** All rounds will be G/75 except sections Ages 5 & under and 6-7 will be G/30. **EF by 10/21: 1-day \$48, 2-day \$60, Play-up +15. Late fee (10/22-27) +\$20, Onsite only after 10/27: +\$40. (Side events: Blitz (Fri Reg: 5:30-6pm, Games 6:30-8:30p) and Bughouse (Sat Registration: 5:30-6pm, Games 6:30-8:30p) in 3 sections (7 & under, 8-10, 11-18). **EF:** Blitz \$15, Bughouse \$15. Late fee (10/22-27) +\$2, Onsite only after 10/27: +\$5. USCF Membership required for bughouse and all sections except ages 7 & under. October 2011 Supplement & TD desc to place players accurately. Reg early to save. **Organizers/TDs:** S. Azhar, R. Koepecke, T. Langland, & J. McCumiskey. **More info & flyer:** [BayAreaChess.com/usjr11](mailto:BayAreaChess.com/usjr11). **Register online at:** [BayAreaChess.com/my/usjr11](http://BayAreaChess.com/my/usjr11). **Quest:** [ask@BayAreaChess.com](mailto:ask@BayAreaChess.com), NS, NC, W. **Chess Magnet School JGP G/75 rounds.****

## GRAND PRIX

### June 9, Nevada

#### Grand Prix Points: 60 (enhanced)

#### 2011 U.S. Game/10 Championship (QC)

See Nationals.

### A State Championship Event!

#### June 25, Pennsylvania

#### Grand Prix Points: 6

#### 2011 PA State Game/45 Championship

4SS, G/45. Wm. Pitt Union, Univ. of Pitt., 5th & Bigelow, Pittsburgh, PA



15213. **3 Sections, \$\$ (695G):** Championship: **EF:** \$30 by 6/17, \$40 later. \$200-100, U2000 \$75, U1800 \$50. **Premier:** U1600. **EF:** \$25 by 6/17, \$35 later. \$90-60, U1400 \$50, U1200 \$40, U1000 \$30; Trophies to Top 2, Top 2 U1400, Top 2 U1200, Top 2 U1000. **Scholastic:** Grades K-12 U900. **EF:** \$15 by 6/17, \$25 later. Trophies to Top 7, 1-3 U600. **ALL:** Teams of 4 to 7 combined from all sections, Trophies 1st-2nd schools, clubs. PSCF \$5, OSA. **Reg** ends Noon. **Rds.:** 12:30-2:15-4-6. **Ent/Info:** PSCF, c/o Tom Martinak, 25 Freeport St., Pittsburgh, PA 15223, 412-908-0286, martinak\_tom\_m@hotmail.com. W.

**July 2-3, Illinois**  
**Grand Prix Points: 20**  
**All American Double Class**

5-SS, T/L: 40/90, SD/30. Doubletree Hotel, 1900 Spring Rd., Oak Brook, IL. **\$12,000** (b/250, top in each section Guaranteed), in 4 sections. **M/X** (1900 & up) 600-400-275, U2300 375-200, U2200 500-350-225, U2100 325-250. **FREE ENTRY for MASTERS.** **EF:** \$97 (\$4 off to ICA membs with copy of membership) if by 6/17/11, \$104 with credit card until 6/25, \$110 at site. ReEntry (for all players including Masters) \$80. **A/B** (1500-1999) 550-350-250-175, U1900 325, U1800 400-275-150, U1700 260-190. **EF:** \$86 (\$4 off to ICA membs w/membership copy) if by 6/17, \$94 with credit card until 6/25, \$100 at site. ReEntry \$70. **C/D** (1100-1599) 475-350-250-150, U1500 300, U1400 325-200-125, U1300 225-175. **EF:** \$75 (\$4 off to ICA membs with copy of membership) if by 6/17, \$83 with credit card until 6/25, \$90 at site. ReEntry \$60. **E/U** (U1200 & unrated) 400-275-175-75, U1000 250-150-100, U800 200-125, U700 160-90, Unrated 250-150. Unrated ONLY in E/U section & can ONLY win Unrated prize. **EF:** \$64 (\$4 off to ICA membs w/membership copy) if by 6/17, \$73 with credit card until 6/25, \$80 at site; \$30 off to unrated. ReEntry \$50. **ALL SECTIONS:** Biggest upset on 7/02/11 \$100, Biggest upset on 7/03 \$50. **FREE RAFFLE for BREWERS-CUBS TICKETS** (game night of 9/20). Half point bye available any round (2 Max) with entry. Credit card entry at: <http://al-americaschess.eventbrite.com>. **FREE COFFEE** on Sunday. **Reg:** 1-1:45pm, Rounds 2:15-7:15, 9:45-2:15-7. **Info:** (630) 834-2477 M-W evenings, or e-mail [alamericaschess@gmail.com](mailto:alamericaschess@gmail.com). **ENT:** Lawrence Cohen, P.O. Box 6632 Villa Park, IL 60181. NS, NC, W. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**July 8-10 or 9-10, Florida**  
**Grand Prix Points: 30 (enhanced)**  
**4th Summer Solstice Open**

5SS, G/120, (2-day Option Rd. 1 G/60). El Palacio Hotel & Conference Center, 4900 Powerline Rd., Ft. Lauderdale. **\$\$5,400** b/170 paid entries. **Open:** \$800/Trophy-500-300-250, U2300 \$150. **U2100:** \$500/Trophy-250-100. **U1800:** \$500/Trophy-250-100. **U1500:** \$500/Trophy-250-100. **U1200:** \$500/Trophy-250-100. U1000: Trophies for 1st to 5th, Medals for all others. **Unr.** may enter Open, U1200 or U1000 only. **EF:** \$64 by July 5, \$15 more later and on-site, GMS & IMs free (\$64 deducted from prize). U1000 section \$30 by July 5, \$10 more later and on-site. Re-entry cash prize sections \$35. **Reg.:** ends 1/2 hr before 1st rd. **Rds.:** 3-Day 1st Rd. Fri. 7:30, 2-Day 1st Rd. Sat 10, Rds. 2-5 Sat. 1:15, 6:30, Sun. 9:30, 2:30. 1/2-2 pt. byes, if req'd before rd. **HR:** \$69 by Cut-off Date, 954-776-4880. **Ent:** Boca Raton Chess Club, 2385 Executive Ct. Dr., Ste. 100, Boca Raton, FL 33431. **Online entry & add'l info:** [www.bocachess.com](http://www.bocachess.com), 561-479-0351. **FIDE. Chess Magnet School JGP for G/120 rds.**

**July 16, Wyoming**  
**Grand Prix Points: 10 (enhanced)**  
**2011 U.S. G/15 Championship (OC)**  
See Nationals.

**A State Championship Event!**  
**July 30, Pennsylvania**  
**Grand Prix Points: 6**

**2011 PA State Action Championship**  
5SS, G/30. Wm. Pitt Union, Univ. of Pitt., 5th & Bigelow, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. **2 Sections: Championship:** **EF:** \$25 by 7/22, \$35 later. **\$\$ (690G):** \$200-100, U2000 \$90, U1800 \$80, U1600 \$70, U1400 \$60, U1200 \$50, U1000 \$40. Trophies: 1-3 U1400, 1-3 U1200, 1-3 U1000. **Scholastic:** Grades K-12 U900. **EF:** \$15 by 7/22, \$25 later. Trophies to Top 7, 1-3 U600. **ALL:** Trophies: 1-2 Schools, 1-2 Clubs. PSCF \$5, OSA. **Reg** ends Noon. **Rds.:** 12:30-1:45-3:45-5:45. **Ent/Info:** PSCF, c/o Tom Martinak, 25 Freeport St., Pittsburgh, PA 15223. 412-908-0286, martinak\_tom\_m@hotmail.com. W.

**A Heritage Event!**  
**July 30-Aug. 7, Aug. 2-7 or 4-7, Florida**  
**Grand Prix Points: 300**  
**112th annual U.S. Open**  
See Nationals.

**A State Championship Event!**  
**Sept. 3-5, Florida**  
**Grand Prix Points: 50**

**Arnold Denker Florida State Championship**  
G/120. Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club, 851 Gulf Shore Blvd. N, Naples 34102. **\$\$10,000 GUARANTEED!** 6 Sect: **Open:** \$1200-600-300, U2300 \$400, U2200 \$400; **U2000:** \$600-300-200, U1900 \$300; **U1800:** \$600-300-200, U1700 \$300; **U1600:** \$600-300-200, U1500 \$300; **U1400:** \$600-300-200, U1300 \$300; **U1200:** \$600-300-200, U1000 \$200, U800 \$200. Unrateds can enter any section, but only **Unr** under age 16 in U1200. **Unrs** limited to \$100 unless Place Prize in **Open**. **Open:** **FIDE rated.** **EF:** \$89; Add \$11 after 8/27. **EF Discount:** \$20 off if under age 16 in U1200 or **Unrs** in any Under section. **EF Free** for GM, IM, WGM, WIM (\$90 deducted from any prize won). Rated players can "play-up" one section from lowest allowed. Reentry: \$50 by round 3, 1/2-byes for missing rounds. Byes: 1/2-pt available all rounds, max 2; Must commit before Round 3 paired. USCF and FCA memberships required; OSA. Trophies and Titles to top Florida player in each section. Upsets & other "special awards" TBD. **Reg.:** Sat 10am - 12:15pm. **RNDS.:** Sat. 1 & 6:30, Sun. 1 & 7, Mon. 9 & 2. **FL** Quick Chess (G/29) Championship Playoff Sat, 10am. (Must have won an FCA QC Regional to play; Free EF). **FL Blitz (G/5)** Championship Sun, 10am at \$20 EF. **FCA:** Annual Meeting Sun. 6pm; Board Meeting Sun. 6:30pm. **HR:** \$99 + RF (by 8/2), 800-237-7600. Special HR link at [floridachess.org](http://floridachess.org). Cancellation deposit refundable by 8/25. Free Hotel-guest self-parking (non-guest \$10). **Ent:** FCA, 921 N. Thistle Ln., Maitland, FL 32751. Or on-line 2011flchamp.eventbrite.com. **Info:** 407-629-6946 or [floridachess.org](http://floridachess.org). **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**Sept. 30-Oct. 2 or Oct. 1-2, Florida**  
**Grand Prix Points: 30**  
**2011 U.S. Class Championships**  
See Nationals.

**Oct. 1, California, Northern**  
**Grand Prix Points: 20 (enhanced)**  
**2011 U.S. Game/60 Championship**  
See Nationals.

**Oct. 2, California, Northern**  
**Grand Prix Points: 15 (enhanced)**  
**2011 U.S. Game/30 Championship**  
See Nationals.

## REGIONAL

### Alabama

**June 25, Mobile Classic**  
**4SS, TC: G/75. Corpus Christi Catholic Church,** 6300 McKeena Dr., Mobile, AL 36608. **Open (PF \$3b/25):** \$175-100-75-50-25. **Rds.:** 9, 11:40, 2:30, 5. **EF:** \$30, if rcvd by **JUN 18th; \$10** more at site. **Scholastic:** 5SS, TC: G/30. **Rook (K-9): EF: \$20; Rated; Novice (K-8): EF: \$10; Not Rated; Trophy: Top 3. Rds.:** 9-10-11-12:30-1:30. **Late REG: JUN 25th** at 8-8:40am. Checks payable to: **Caesar Chess. ENT:** Caesar Chess LLC, 4524 Southlake Parkway, Suite 34 - PMB 310, Birmingham, AL 35244. **Info:** [CaesarChess@yahoo.com](mailto:CaesarChess@yahoo.com), [www.AlabamaChess.com](http://www.AlabamaChess.com). **Chess Magnet School JGP (G/75 event).**

**July 9, Birmingham Classic**  
**4SS, TC: G/75. WaterMark Place Mall,** 4500 Alabama Adventure Pkwy., Bessemer, AL 35022. **Open (1500+): PF: \$\$b/25):** \$200-125-100-U1800:100-U1600: 75; **Reserve (U1500): PF: \$\$b/25):** \$175-100-75-U1200-75; U1000-75; **Rds.:** 9-11:30-2:30-5. **EF: \$30;** if mailed by **Jul 2nd; \$40** at site. **Scholastic:** 5SS, TC: G/30. **Rated: Rook (K-12); Knight (K-6); EF: \$20; Not Rated: Novice (K-8), Primary (K-4); EF: \$10, Trophy: Top 3 Individual, Medals 4th-6th. Late REG: JUL 9th:** 8-8:40am. Checks payable to: **Caesar Chess. ENT:** Caesar Chess LLC, 4524 Southlake Parkway, Suite 34 - PMB 310, Birmingham, AL 35244. **Info: CaesarChess@yahoo.com; www.AlabamaChess.com. Chess Magnet School JGP.**

### Arizona

**June 25, John Rose Palermo Memorial Tournament**  
Burk Elementary, 545 N. Burk St., Gilbert, AZ 85234. Free tournament in memorial of John Rose Palermo. In 2 Sections, **Under 1250:** 5SS, G/40, Open to 1250 & under. Section divided into groups based on rating. Adults may not play in lowest section. **Rds.:** 9:00, 10:45, 12:30, 2:00, 3:30. **Open:** 4SS, G/60, Minimum rating 1250, section divided into groups based on rating. **Rds.:** 9:00, 11:10, 1:20, 3:30. **ALL: EF:** FREE if registered by 6/22, \$10 late fee if registered on 6/23 or later. USCF membership required. Trophies to at least the top 5 in each section. Medals to all players with 3 points not receiving a trophy, ribbons to all other participants. Byes are available upon request. Players registering after 8:30 on tournament day will receive 1/2 point bye. **ENT:** AZ Chess Central, PO Box 2238, Gilbert, AZ 85299. [www.azchesscentral.org](http://www.azchesscentral.org). **INFO:** Lynn Schucker, 480-216-8025 [chess@azchesscentral.org](mailto:chess@azchesscentral.org). [www.azchesscentral.org](http://www.azchesscentral.org).

### California Northern

**Capital City Chess Club Monthly (Sundays)**  
4-ss (Var. 29L1), G/120. Open, One Section. LOCATION: Thee Upper Crust Pizza, 1200 "K" Street #10, Hyatt Regency Retail Plaza, Sacramento. **ENTRY:** \$25. **GUARANTEED:** 4pts \$60, 3.5 pts \$45, 3 pts \$30, 2.5 pts \$25. **ALL BYES:** Half pt. **BYES:** Two Max. **RDS:** Last Four Sundays at 1PM & You must be present at 12:45 PM of each round to be paired. **REG.:** 12-12:45 PM. (First Three Rounds). **INFO:** John C. Barnard, (209)450-6133. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**Modesto Round Table Chess Club Monthly (Thursdays)**  
4-SS (Var. 29L1), G/90. Amateur Rating Tournaments (Under 2000 & Beginners), LOCATION: 3848 McHenry Ave., Modesto (Meeting Room). **ENTRY:** \$15. **GUARANTEED:** 4pts \$60, 3.5 pts \$45, 3 pts \$30, 2.5 pts \$15. **ALL BYES:** Half Pt. **RDS.:** 7pm. **REG.:** 6pm (1st, 2nd & 3rd Thursdays). Modesto Chess School: 6pm. No Club Membership Fee & No Chess Class Fee required. **INFO:** John C. Barnard (209) 450-6133. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**June 11, San Jose Quads**  
**Trophies:** Players w/winning record. Check-in 4p. **Games:** 4:30-6:30p. 3xG/30. 1590 Oakland Rd., Ste B213, San Jose. **EF:** \$25 by 6/9, Onsite \$41. **Info:** [BayAreaChess.com/kids](http://BayAreaChess.com/kids). NS, NC.

**June 11, San Jose Swiss**  
**Trophies:** Players w/winning record & teams w/ 2+ players. **Games:** 10a-2p. **3 Sec:** U500, U900, 900+. U900: 5xG/30, 900+: 4xG/45. Chess Center, 1590 Oakland Rd., Ste B213, San Jose. **EF:** \$33 by 6/9, Onsite \$49. **Info:** [BayAreaChess.com/kids](http://BayAreaChess.com/kids). NS, NC.

**June 25, July 31, Aug. 20, Pleasanton Quads**  
**Trophies:** Players w/winning record. Check-in 4p. **Games:** 4:30-6:30p. 3xG/30. Hilton, 7050 Johnson Dr., Pleasanton. **EF:** \$25 by Thu bef tourney, Onsite \$41. **Info:** [BayAreaChess.com/kids](http://BayAreaChess.com/kids). NS, NC.

**June 25, July 31, Aug. 20, Pleasanton SuperSwiss**  
**\$1,000 b/40.** 4SS G/60. **Rds.:** 10, 12:30, 2:45, 5. **2 Sec:** 1700+, U1700. Hilton, 7050 Johnson Dr., Pleasanton. **EF 2+ days bef tourn:** \$44, on-site: \$60. Play-up: +\$10. **Info:** [BayAreaChess.com/reg](http://BayAreaChess.com/reg). NS, NC, W.

**June 25, July 31, Aug. 20, Pleasanton Swiss**  
**Trophies:** Players w/winning record & teams w/ 2+ players. **Games:** 10a-2p. **3 Sec:** U500, U900, 900+. U900: 5xG/30, 900+: 4xG/45. Hilton, 7050 Johnson Dr., Pleasanton. **EF:** \$33 by Thu bef tourney, Onsite \$49. **Info:** [BayAreaChess.com/kids](http://BayAreaChess.com/kids). NS, NC.

**Aug. 12-14 or 13-14, 3rd annual Central California Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Oct. 1, 2011 U.S. Game/60 Championship**  
See Nationals.

**Oct. 2, 2011 U.S. Game/30 Championship**  
See Nationals.

**Oct. 29-30, 2011 U.S. Junior Chess Congress**  
See Nationals.

## California Southern

**BHCC Scholastic Tournaments**  
5SS, G/30. Players should bring clocks. Beverly Hills Chess Club, 8950 W. Olympic Blvd., #210, Beverly Hills, CA 90211. (Free Parking). Prizes: Trophies to the top 3, and medals to the next 3. Registration: 12:30-12:45. Starts: 1 pm. **EF:** \$20 if received two days in advance, \$25 onsite (Site Entries Cash), SCCF members \$3 off. Online Reg: [www.bhchessclub.com](http://www.bhchessclub.com). Phone Reg.: 310-274-7873 (Visa/Master Card only). Mail Reg.: Mail checks to Beverly Hills Chess Club. Email: [bhchessclub@hotmail.com](mailto:bhchessclub@hotmail.com).

**June 5, Beverly Hills Scholastic Tournament**  
5SS, G/30. Bring clocks! Beverly Hills Chess Club, 8950 W. Olympic Blvd., #210, Beverly Hills, CA 90211. (Free Parking). Prizes: Trophies top 3, medals next 3. **Reg.:** 12-12:30. **Starts:** 1 pm. **EF:** \$20 rec'd 2 days prior, \$25 onsite (Cash), SCCF mem. \$3 off. **Reg.:** [www.bhchessclub.com](http://www.bhchessclub.com), 310-274-7873 (V/MC). **By mail, Email:** [bhchessclub@hotmail.com](mailto:bhchessclub@hotmail.com). **Info:** Dr. Robert Minofoar.

**June 5, 12, 19, 26, LACC - Every Sunday Chess For Juniors**  
4 separate events - 4SS, G/30. 11514 Santa Monica Blvd., LA, 90025, 2nd fl. 4 blocks W 405. **EF:** \$25 (\$20 LACC memb, \$10 off siblings, 10% off SCCF members. Free new LACC memb). **Reg.:** 12-1 pm. **Rds.:** 1, 2, 3, 4 pm; **Prizes:** Trophies (Top 3) & Medals (rest); each player receives a prize! **Parking:** (Free) at BnA and streets. Free Pizza/soda/cookie & free class (12-1). **Info:** (310) 795-5710 or [Mick@LACHessClub.com](mailto:Mick@LACHessClub.com).

**July 3, PSW Scholastics**  
5-SS, G/30. LAX Hilton, 6711 W. Century Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045. Open to gr. 12/below. **In two sections: Open:** Trophies to top 5, top 3 U1200, top 2 Unrated. **Grade 6/below U1000:** Trophies to top 5, top 3 U700, top 2 Unrated. **Reg.:** 8:30-9:15. **Rds.:** 9:11-11:12:15-1:45-3. **EF:** \$16 if received by 7/1, 20 door. **Inf:** (626) 282-7412 or [randallhough@yahoo.com](mailto:randallhough@yahoo.com). **Ent:** SCCF, PO Box 205, Monterey Park, CA 91754, online at [www.scchess.com](http://www.scchess.com).

**July 14-17, 15-17 or 16-17, 16th annual Pacific Coast Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Oct. 7-9 or 8-9, CCA 8th annual Los Angeles Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Colorado

**June 18, Western Colorado Summer Classic**  
10am. Lincoln Park Barn, Grand Junction. **Open and unrated sections, EF for both = \$25.00, \$30 onsite.** Rated: 4rd SS, G/60 TD/5. **\$\$:** 1st = 125, 2nd = 75, U1600 = 75, U1200 = 40, UNR = 40. Current Utah State Champion, Damian Nash, scheduled to play all 4 rounds. Unrated: 6rds SS, G/30 TD/5. **Trophies:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd, U12, U10, U8, Top Girl. **Registration** is with Grand Junction Parks & Rec. Directions, registration link & all other info at: [www.nostresschessclub.com](http://www.nostresschessclub.com) or 970-773-8467.

## Connecticut

**July 22-24 or 23-24, 16th Annual Bradley Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Aug. 5-7 or 6-7, 17th Annual Northeast Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Nov. 4-6 or 5-6, Eastern Team Championship**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## District of Columbia

**Aug. 6, Rated Beginners Open (RBO)**  
4-SS, G/30. US Chess Center, 1501 M St. NW, Washington, DC 20005. Open to players rated under 1200 or unrated. **EF:** \$20 (\$15 if by 7/30). 5 sections by age. **Reg.:** 12-12:45. **Info:** 202/857-4922. [www.chesctr.org/rbo.php](http://www.chesctr.org/rbo.php).

**Aug. 26-28 or 27-28, 43rd annual Atlantic Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Florida

**Boca Raton Chess Club**  
Friday nights, Game 90 Tournament, one game a week for 4 weeks. [www.bocachess.com](http://www.bocachess.com), 561-479-0351. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**July 8-10 or 9-10, 4th Summer Solstice Open**  
See Grand Prix.

**July 16, CFCC Quick-Chess (OC)**  
4SS, G/29 (G/25, T/D5). Casselberry Chess Club (CCC), Wirz Park, 806 Mark David Blvd., Casselberry, FL 32707. **EF:** \$30, CFCC/CCC mbr \$25, Masters free (EF deducted from any prize). **\$\$480 b/25,** 160-80-60, Classes B, C, D/under 60 ea. **Reg.:** 9:30am. **Rds.:** 10, 11:15, break, 1:30, 2:45. **Ent:** CFCC, 921 N. Thistle Ln., Maitland, FL 32751. **Info:** (407) 629-6946 or [www.centraffchess.org](http://www.centraffchess.org).

**July 30-Aug. 2, 2011 Trophies Plus U.S. Girls Junior Open Championship**  
See Nationals.

# Tournament Life

## A Heritage Event!

**July 30-Aug. 7, Aug. 2-7 or 4-7, 112th annual U.S. Open**  
See Nationals.

## A State Championship Event!

**Sept. 3-5, Arnold Denker Florida State Championship**  
See Grand Prix.

## Illinois

**July 2-3, All American Double Class**  
See Grand Prix.

**July 15-17 or 16-17, 4th annual Chicago Class**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Oct. 7-10, 6th Annual Susan Polgar World Open for Boys and Girls**  
Doubletree Hotel - Oakbrook, IL. Organized by the North American Chess Association. For detailed information including Texas Tech Scholarships, free USCF memberships and more, please visit the official tournament website at <http://www.polgarworldopen.com>.

## Indiana

**Aug. 12-14 or 13-14, 6th annual Indianapolis Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Kentucky

**Sept. 16-18 or 17-18, 4th annual Louisville Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Massachusetts

**Aug. 11-14, 12-14 or 13-14, 41st annual Continental Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Mississippi

**June 25, 2011 Annual Southern Mississippi Open & Scholastic Chess Championship**  
The Oprah Winfrey Boys & Girls Club of Kosciusko/Attala County, 500 Knox Rd., Kosciusko, MS. **Adult:** 4SS, G/60. **EF:** \$35.00 by 6/18 \$50.00 on site. **Reg.:** 8:30 A.M. 1st Rd. 9:30 A.M. sect. Open, U1500. **Prize fund \$250.00 ea.** Sect. 10 entries min. **Scholastic:** 5SS, G/30. **EF:** \$15.00 by 6/18, \$20.00 on site. **Reg.:** 9:30 A.M. 1st Rd. 10:30 A.M. prizes trophies & medals. **Info:** David Newell (662) 289-3953, [dnewell276@aol.com](mailto:dnewell276@aol.com). **EF Mail to:** The Boys & Girls Club of Kosciusko/Attala County, P.O. Box 187, Kosciusko, MS 39090.

## Nevada

**June 9, 2011 U.S. Game/10 Championship (OC)**  
See Nationals.

**June 10, National Open Scholastic Trophy Tournament**  
5-SS, Game/30. South Point Hotel, Casino and Spa, 9777 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89183. Open to players 18 and under. **In 3 sections:** U1800, U1200, and U800. Unrateds in the U1200 section and all players in the U800 section must be age 11 or under. **Trophies** to top 5 in each section. **1st** in each odd 200 point rating group and unrated. **EF:** \$33 by 5/18, \$39 by 6/8, \$45 on site. **REG.:** 9-9:45 a.m. **RDS.:** 10-11:15-12:30-1:45-3. **Blitz** 6:30 p.m. **HR:** \$55 single or double (\$95 Friday and Saturday nights). 1-866-791-7626 or (702) 796-7111. **ENT:** National Open, PO Box 90925, Henderson, NV 89009-0125, on line at [www.VegasChessFestival.com](http://www.VegasChessFestival.com) or by fax at (702) 933-9112. NS. NC. W.

**June 11-12, International Youth Championship**  
5SS, Game/65. South Point Hotel, Casino and Spa, 9777 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89183. **In 4 Sections** by age: 14 and Under, 14 and Under Reserve (rated below 1100), 9 and Under, 9 and Under Reserve (rated below 900). **Trophies** to top 10 in each section plus 9 class trophies per section. 1st Place in each section wins a **Netbook Computer** loaded with Chess Software, 2-4 win Chess prizes valued at 250-150-100. Unrated players may not win 1st in Reserve sections. **EF:** \$49 by 5/18, \$59 by 6/8, \$70 on site. 1/2 point bye in any round (limit 2) if requested in advance. **REG.:** 8-9 a.m. **RDS.:** 10-1-4, 10-1. **Blitz** 6/10 at 6:30 p.m. **HR:** \$55 single or double (\$95 Friday and Saturday nights). 1-866-791-7626 or (702) 796-7111. **ENT:** National Open, PO Box 90925, Henderson, NV 89009-0125, on line at [www.VegasChessFestival.com](http://www.VegasChessFestival.com) or by fax at (702) 933-9112. NS. NC. W. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

## New Jersey

**June 4, 11, 18, 25, Saturday Scholastic Quad G/30**  
3RR. **Rds.:** 1:30, 2:45, 4:00pm. Chess Mates Corporation, 1531 Irving St., Rahway, NJ 07065. **EF:** \$15, members \$10. **Prizes Quad:** 1st Place: Trophy or \$25 & a free lesson or Simul from GM Yudasin. **Chess Lessons Prior to Scholastic Tournament:** 12:15pm-1:15 pm. **EF:** \$10. (732) 499-0118. <http://www.chessmatesnj.com>.

**June 18, King's Chess Club Quads**  
**Morning quads and afternoon quads**, G/30, Kindergarten-undergraduate (scholastic, youth, and young adult memberships). Bethlehem Church, 758 Route 10, Randolph, NJ 07869. **EF:** None. **Reg.:** 9-9:20 am., 1st rd. 9:40. Arr. by noon to reg. only for afternoon quads. Medal to each quad winner. **Info:** Bethlehem Church 973-366-3434 or Bob McAdams 973-694-3988, [rwm@fambright.com](mailto:rwm@fambright.com).

**July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Sunday Scholastic Quad G/30**  
3RR. **Rds.:** 1:30, 2:45, 4:00pm. Chess Mates Corporation, 1531 Irving St., Rahway, NJ 07065. **EF:** \$15, members \$10. **Prizes Quad:** 1st Place: Trophy or \$25 & a free lesson or Simul from GM Yudasin. **Chess Lessons Prior to Scholastic Tournament:** 12:15pm-1:15 pm, **EF:** \$10. (732) 499-

0118. <http://www.chessmatesnj.com>.

**July 17, 2011 Westfield Summer Scholastic**  
Westfield Y, 220 Clark St., Westfield, NJ 07090. K-12 3 Sections : Open, Under 1250, under 750. **Open:** 3SS, G/45. Trophies to top 5 in each section. **EF:** \$20, \$15 members, at site \$30, \$25 Members. **Reg.:** 2-2:30 p.m. **Rds:** 2:45-4:25-6:05 p.m. **Under 1250:** 4SS, G/30 Trophies to top 5 in each section. **EF:** \$20, \$15 Members, at site \$30, \$25 Members. **Reg.:** 2-2:30 p.m. **Rds.:** 2:45-4:00-5:15-6:30 p.m. **Under 750:** 4SS, G/30 Trophies to top 5 in each section. **EF:** \$20, \$15 Members, at site \$30, \$25 Members. **Reg.:** 2-2:30 p.m. **Rds.:** 2:45-4:00-5:15-6:30 p.m. Tiebreaks for trophies. **Info:** Todd Lunna 732-526-7163, [lunnaco@aol.com](mailto:lunnaco@aol.com), [www.westfieldchessclub.com](http://www.westfieldchessclub.com). **Send advance entries to:** Todd Lunna, 36 Maple Dr., Colts Neck, NJ 07722 by July 14, 2011. **Make checks payable to:** Westfield chess club.

## New York

**June 12, Schenectady Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**June 18, Marshall CC Rated Beginners Open (RBO)**  
Open to players rated under 1200 or unrated. 4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U900/uncr. \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**June 19, Marshall CC June Scholastic**  
**Open to players born on or before June 20, 1996.** 4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry. 2 sections: **A. Beginners:** U 1000 or unrated. **B. Advanced:** U 1400 or unrated. **Prizes:** Trophies to top three players each section. One year Marshall Chess Club Junior membership to both section winners (\$160 value each).

**June 20-July 18, Marshall Monday U1600**  
4-SS, G/90. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1300 \$60. **Reg.:** 6:15-6:45. **Rds.:** 7PM each Monday. Limit 2 byes, request by rd. 3. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**June 25, Marshall Saturday U1800**  
4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1500 \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**June 25-29, 2011 FIDE EVENT: North American Youth Championship!**  
**Open to players from USA, Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada and Mexico. Organized by Chess Educators, LLC. 7R-SS G/90 + 30/see increment.** Doubletree Tarrytown Hotel, 455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591 USA. **This Championship will be rated by the US Chess Federation (USCF) and the World Chess Federation (FIDE). FIDE rules will apply.** Official players from each National Federation qualify for special conditions. **The top boy and the top girl in each section will qualify to play in the 2012 Pan American Youth Championship.** These players will be considered official players, and the accommodation and meals will be provided by the local organizer at no cost. **The top player in each section will receive the FIDE Candidate Master Title, which will be officially approved at the FIDE Congress in October 2011.** Trophies for the top five (5) players in each section. (age as of Jan 1, 2011). **Open Sections and Girls Sections for players ages under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 & 18. EF:** \$75 received by 5/24, \$100 received by 6/13, \$125 thereafter onsite. No half-points byes, only zero-point byes. **On-site registration on June 25 from 6-8pm & June 26 from 8-9:30 am.** Opening Ceremony and Technical Meeting June 26 at 9:30am. Rounds 6/26-6/29 10am-3pm. **LODGING: DOUBLETREE TARRYTOWN HOTEL, 455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591, USA. \$119, plus taxes.** This hotel is located in Westchester County in New York, and it is only 35 minutes away from Grand Central Station in New York City by Metro North Train. Each room has 2 double beds, and the price is the same for 1-4 people in the same room. **This is special rate and you must mention "Chess" when you make the reservation. You must make your reservation by Thursday, May 26, 2011 (Cutoff Date).** Call 1-914-631-5700. **Free Parking and Free Internet Connection.** Mail entries with registration form (available on-line) to: Chess Educators LLC, PO Box 160, New York, NY 10028, USA. **FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION VISIT:** [www.chesseducators.com/northamericanyouth](http://www.chesseducators.com/northamericanyouth) or contact the Organizer, Beatriz Marinello by e-mailing [Beatriz@chesseducators.com](mailto:Beatriz@chesseducators.com) or calling 917-553-4522. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**July 2, Marshall July Super Saturday Action**  
4-SS, G/30. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. Two sections! **A. Open: (\$360 b/24):** \$160-80, U1200 \$65, U1800 \$55. **B. Under 1500: (\$240 b/16):** \$120-65, U1200 \$55. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**July 8-10 or 9-10, 4th Summer Solstice Open (FL)**  
See Grand Prix.

**July 9, Marshall Saturday U1600**  
4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1300 \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**July 16, Marshall Saturday U1800!**  
4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1500 \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**July 23, Marshall Saturday G/60!**  
4-SS, G/60. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$360 b/24):** \$160-80, U2000 \$65, U1700 \$55. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 11:15-11:45AM. **Rds.:** 12-2:30-4:45-7PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**July 24, Marshall July Super Sunday Action!**  
4-SS, G/30. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. Two sections! **A. Open: (\$360 b/24):** \$160-80, U1200 \$65, U1800 \$55. **B. Under 1500: (\$240 b/16):** \$120-65, U1200 \$55. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-

12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**July 25-Aug. 22, Marshall Monday U1600!**  
4-SS, G/90. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1300 \$60. **Reg.:** 6:15-6:45. **Rds.:** 7PM each Monday. Limit 2 byes, request by rd. 3. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**July 26, Marshall Tuesday Quads!**  
3-RR, G/30. Open to all levels; Quads formed by rating. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **EF:** \$25, members \$20. \$50 for each winner. **Reg.:** 6:15-6:45; **Rds.:** 7-8:05-9:10PM.

**July 30, Marshall Saturday U1400!**  
4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1100 \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**Aug. 6, Marshall Saturday U1800!**  
4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1500 \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**Aug. 13, Marshall Saturday U1600!**  
4-SS, G/45. Marshall CC, 23 W. 10th St., NYC. 212 477-3716. **(\$300 b/20):** \$160-80, U1300 \$60. **EF:** \$40, members \$20. **Reg.:** 12:15-12:45. **Rds.:** 1-2:45-4:30-6:15PM. One bye available, request at entry.

**Aug. 17-21, 18-21, 19-21 or 20-21, Manhattan Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**Sept. 2-5, 3-5 or 4-5, 133rd annual NY State Championship**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Ohio

**Aug. 5-7 or 6-7, Cleveland Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

## Pennsylvania

**A State Championship Event!**  
**June 25, 2011 PA State Game/45 Championship**  
See Grand Prix

**June 25-26, 3rd annual World Open Girls Championship**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**June 25-26, 3rd annual World Open Under 13 Championship**  
6SS, G/65. Sheraton Philadelphia City Center Hotel (see World Open). **Open to all born after 6/26/98.** In 2 sections. **Open Section:** Trophies to top 5, 1st C, D, E; free entry in all CCA tournaments 7/14/11-11/30/11 to 1st. **Under 1200 Section:** Trophies to top 5, 1st Under 1000, Under 800, Under 600, Unrated; free entry in all CCA tournaments 7/14/11-8/31/11 to 1st. **EF:** \$42 mailed by 6/15, \$43 online at [chesstour.com](http://chesstour.com) by 6/23, \$45 phoned to 406-896-2038 by 6/22, \$50 at site. **Reg.:** 6/26 9 to 10:30 am, rds. Sat. 11-2-5, Sun. 10-1-4. One half point bye allowed, must commit before rd 2. **HR & Ent:** See World Open. **Chess Magnet School JGP.**

**June 28-July 4, June 30-July 4, July 1-4 or 2-4, 39th Annual World Open**  
See *Chess Life* or [www.chesstour.com](http://www.chesstour.com).

**A State Championship Event!**  
**July 30, 2011 PA State Action Championship**  
See Grand Prix.

**Aug. 7, 9th Holly Heisman Memorial Fundraiser**  
JCC Kaiserman Branch, Haverford Rd. & City Ave., Wynnewood. **FREE entry!** Advance entry strongly suggested. **Optional tax-deductible donation** to the Holly Heisman Memorial Fund at the Philadelphia Foundation to benefit women in need, \$25+ per entry suggested. **Reg.:** 9:15-10. **All:** G/30, **Rds.:** 10:30-11:45-1:30-2:45-4 or earlier. **3 Sections:** Open 5SS & U1500 5SS (both open to all ages) and K-8 U900 4SS. **Many donated prizes (\$1,000+/yr!).** Prize sponsors encouraged & honored at event: email [pramachandra@mercyhealth.org](mailto:pramachandra@mercyhealth.org). **Ent:** click "tournaments" at [www.silverknightschess.com](http://www.silverknightschess.com). **Inf:** 610-649-0750, Joshua Anderson: [joshuamanderson@yahoo.com](mailto:joshuamanderson@yahoo.com). W.

## Rhode Island

**July 9, Central Falls BK Tournament for Kids**  
4SS, G/30. Trophies top 3 in each Section: 11&U and 14&U (unrated), Open (rated). **EF:** \$14 Advance, \$18 at site. **Reg.:** [www.richess.org](http://www.richess.org), [rhodeislandchess@yahoo.com](mailto:rhodeislandchess@yahoo.com), (401)359-1602.

## Texas

**July 22-24, 2011 U.S. Junior Open**  
See Nationals.

**July 22-24, NOT-A-SENIOR-NOT-A-JUNIOR OPEN**  
5SS, G/120, FIDE rated. Free entry for GMs and IMs (EF deducted from winnings of IMs). Hilton Hobby Airport, 8181 Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77061. (713-645-3000). 4 Sects. **OPEN; U2000; U1600/Unr; U1200.** **PRIZES:** 70% of entry fees returned as cash prizes, plus a plaque to the winner of each section. In the event of a tie, USCF-recommended computer tiebreaks will decide the winner of the plaque. **EF:** \$49 by 7/20; \$59 at site; Re-Entry Fee: \$20 (avail. up to Rd. 4); **3-day Sched:** Reg. Fri. 5:30-7pm, Rds. Fri. 8pm; Sat. 11-6:30, Sun. 9:30-2:30. **2-day Sched:** Reg. Sat. 8:30-10am, (Rds 1 & 2, G/75) Sat. 11-2:30-6:30, Sun. 9:30-2:30. Both schedules merge at Rd. 3. **Byes:** Avail. all Rds. (commit before Rd. 3). **HR:** \$89 for single/double/triple/quad, reserve early and mention Chess Tournament to assure group rate. **ENT:** On-line registration and printable entry form at [www.cajunchess.com](http://www.cajunchess.com), or mail entry form to Franc Guadalupe, 305 Willow Pointe Dr., League City, TX 77573. **Info or Phone Ent:** 504-905-2971. Major credit cards accepted (no checks at site). FIDE, **Chess Magnet School JGP.**



## Vermont

July 29-31 or 30-31, 16th annual Green Mountain Open  
See *Chess Life* or www.chesstour.com.

## Virginia

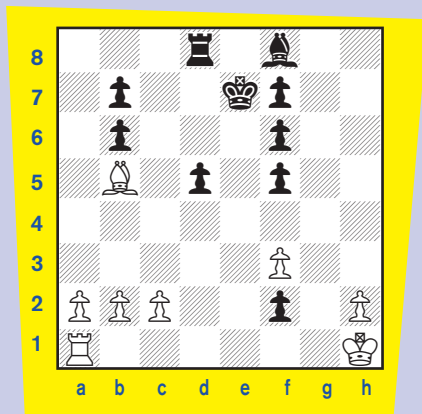
Oct. 6-10, 7-10, 8-10, 6-9, 7-9 or 8-9, 2nd annual Continental Class Championships  
See *Chess Life* or www.chesstour.com.

## Wyoming

July 16, 2011 U.S. G/15 Championship (QC)  
See Nationals.

## Quadrupled Cont'd from pg. 18

25. Nxf5+ Rxf5 26. Rxf5 exf5



After 26. exf5

Black is two pawns ahead and the bishops are of opposite color, but White must have been jubilant about her chances. The black f-pawns appear to be horribly weak, White's rook is likely to be more active than Black's, and White has an outside passed pawn.

27. Kg2 Rc8 28. c3 d4

Offering another pawn to activate the rook and to hold the advanced f2-pawn.

29. c4

Understandably trying to limit the activity of Black's rook, but the d4-pawn provides a useful anchor for the bishop on e3. There's no possible win for Black after 29. cxd4 Rc2 30. Bd3 Rxb2 31. Rb1 Rxa2 32. Rxb6, a remarkable position. Black's six pawns rest on two files.

29. ... Bh6 30. Kxf2 Be3+ 31. Ke2 Rg8

And now the rook enters the position powerfully on the g-file.

32. f4 Rg2+ 33. Kf3

33. Kd1 walks into 33. ... d3 with mate to follow; and not 33. Kd3 Rd2# and the pawns provide a pleasant contribution to the mate.

33. ... Rxh2

Eliminating the dangerous passer.

34. Re1

More active is 34. b4 but 34. ... Rh4 clears the f-file.

34. ... Rf2+ 35. Kg3 Rxf4 36. c5 Rg4+ 37. Kf3 bxc5 38. Bd3 Rf4+ 39. Kg3 Rg4+

A repetition undoubtedly to deal with time woes.

40. Kf3 Ke6 41. Bc4+ Ke5 42. Re2 Rf4+ 43. Kg3 Ke4

The d-pawn will cost White a piece.

White resigned.

Closed Ruy Lopez (C85)  
Alexander Stripunsky (2492)  
William Morrison (2371)  
Washington DC, 1999

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6 5. 0-0 Be7 6. Bxc6

The Exchange Variation of the Ruy Lopez doubles Black's c-pawns, and in theory, White hopes to gain a favorable endgame as a result.

6. ... dxc6 7. d3 Nd7 8. b3 0-0 9. Bb2 Bd6 10. Nbd2 b5 11. Re1 f6 12. Nf1 Re8 13. Ng3 Nf8 14. d4 Ng6 15. Nf5 exd4 16. N3xd4 Be5 17. Qf3 Qd7 18. Rad1 c5 19. Ne2 Qc6 20. Bc1 Bxf5 21. Qxf5 Rad8 22. Be3 b4 23. f3 a5 24. Qg4 a4 25. h4 Nf8

Black's best move here 25. ... Bd4 would ironically have straightened out the pawns after a capture on d4.

26. Bf4 Bc3!?

An ugly move that results in a tripled pawns and there's now no way to oppose White's dark-squared bishop.

27. Nxc3 bxc3 28. Rxd8 Rxd8 29. Bg3

Slow. More consistent is 29. e5

further activating the bishop and threatening exf6.

29. ... Ne6 30. e5

It's still good.

30. ... f5 31. Qxf5

White is almost certainly winning after 31. Qc4 attacking the c-pawns, pinning the knight, and readying Bf2. On 31. ... Rd2, White simply plays 32. Qxc3.

31. ... Rd2 32. Bf4

A terrible waste of time. Better is 32. h5!

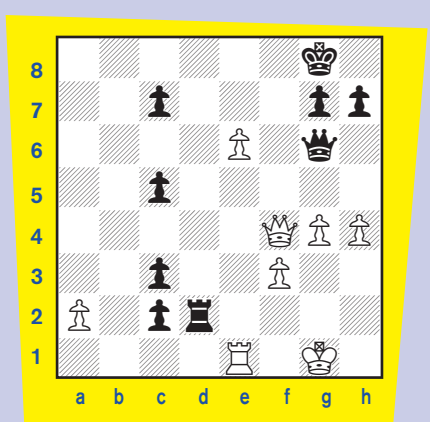
32. ... Nxf4

Missing 32. ... g6 33. Qg4 Rxc2.

33. Qxf4 Qg6 34. g4 axb3

34. ... Qe6 was necessary.

35. e6! bxc2



After 35. bxc2

The quad pawns look much more menacing here with one ready to queen and the other supporting the rook on the seventh rank.

36. e7

But White threatens mate in one.

36. ... Qe8 37. Qc4+ Kh8 38. Qf7??

Going from a solid win to an outright loss. White wins quickly with 38. Qb5! c6 39. Qb8+-.

38. ... Qxf7 39. e8=Q+ Qg8

The move that White apparently overlooked.

40. Qa4 h6 41. h5 Qf8 42. Qb3 c4

Having fun with the quad pawns. Black should instead pursue the mate with 42. ... Qe7 43. Qb8+ Kh7 44. Rc1 Qe3+-+.

43. Qxc3 Qc5+ 44. Kh1 Qf2, White resigned.

# What's the Problem?

By Stanley Kravitz

To become a stronger chess player it is necessary to analyze several moves in advance. The problem becomes more and more difficult the greater the number of moves you have to consider.

That is why chess programs have difficulties in solving positions that need many moves.

Chess programs have a "horizon," a point where they cannot calculate beyond some large number of moves or variations. That is often the way a computer loses. Simple computer chess programs can often be beaten in pawn endings as they need too many moves for the computer memory. Unfortunately people suffer the same problems.

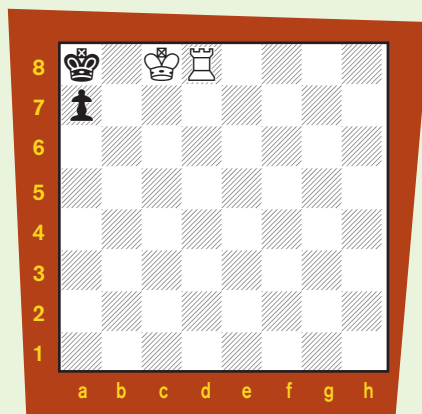
As computers and their solving algorithms have gotten better the horizon gets much further away and the programs get so strong they now triumph over the best human players.

These problems test your ability to think through a sequence of moves. The problem length increases in each puzzle so you have to think a bit further.

If you can solve a problem in **under 1 minute** give yourself 4 points. Solve in **under 2 minutes** give yourself 3 points. Solve in **under 5 minutes** 2 points. **Over 5 minutes** give yourself 1 point.

Master Solver 15-20 points. Good Solver 10-14 points. Fair solver 5-9 points Under 5 points needs work.

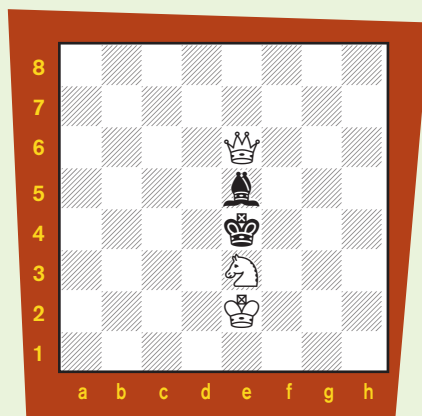
**Puzzle 1.**  
White to move and mate in one.



This problem is designed to see if you are good at seeing the best move ... Mate!

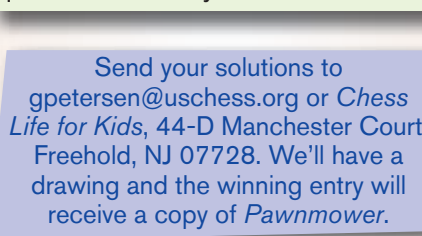
**Puzzle 2.**  
White to move and mate in two.

This is a symmetric position so the black king has to be stopped when it moves to d4 or f4.

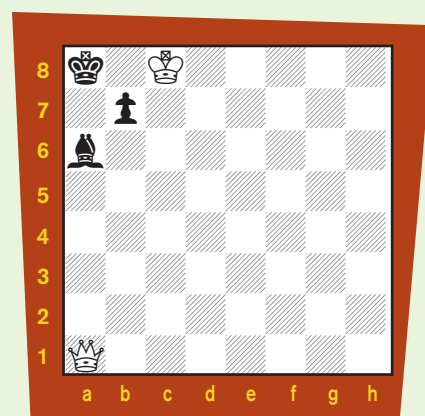


**Puzzle 3.**  
White to move and mate in three.

This the hardest puzzle. Even a computer would think a long time as the queen has so many moves available.

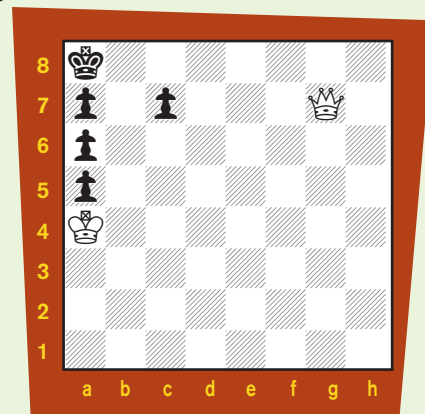


Send your solutions to [gpetersen@uschess.org](mailto:gpetersen@uschess.org) or *Chess Life for Kids*, 44-D Manchester Court, Freehold, NJ 07728. We'll have a drawing and the winning entry will receive a copy of *Pawnmower*.



**Puzzle 4.**  
White to move and mate in four.

This is like a row of corn being eaten! All you have to do is find the first killer move.



**Puzzle 5.**  
White to move and mate in five.

This is a test of your ability to think through a long series of logical moves. A clue is that the white queen needs to stop the black king's escape.

