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IM Jack Peters Sweeps Texas Open Kuroda, Reuter Share Second

Jack Peters made a clean sweep of 26 boards in his Friday evening simul, which benefitted the Leukemia Society of America. The International Master from Los Angeles repeated the act at the Texas Open Chess Classic, held in Beaumont April 16-17. His 5-0 score (good for \$1000) included a tense cliff-hanger in the last round against FM Michael Brooks of Missouri, who had just tied for first at the National Open in Chicago with Tal and Kudrin, among others. SM Paul Kuroda of Arkansas and NM Bill Reuter of Houston each scored 4-1 and made \$375.

One contender Peters did not have to face was IM Igor Ivanov of Canada, who got knocked out in round 2 by the Mexican master Barrientos-Conde. Ivanov was lucky not to lose his last round game with Reuter, who was all too happy to settle for a draw and a share of second place. This is the same Ivanov who had just won first at the New York Open "B" tournament with 7-1, winning \$10,000!

The nine-way tie at 3.5-1.5 was none too shabby a roster: GM Edmar Mednis, Brooks and Ivanov, WGM Maria Ivanka, FM Miles Ardaman, Carlos Lau of Houston, and New Orleans players Alfred Carlin, Mark Schulingkamp and John Parsons, the last two splitting the Expert prize money of \$750. Schulingkamp's loss to Ivanov was the tournament brilliancy, and we hope to have that game soon for IK readers.

FM Andrew Karklins of Illinois had a miserable tournament, but his 2.5-2.5 score at least makes this writer feel better. A 50% score netted Martin Gordon the under-2000 prize, \$250.

Larry Evans, grandmaster and columnist extraordinaire, gave a running commentary on the games played on the top four boards. His comment on the tournament organizer was this: "If there were a Steve Wellborn in every state of the union, chess would be as popular as golf or tennis!" Ken Smith of Chess Digest concurred: "This [Texas Open] is the biggest event we've had since the Church's International in 1972." A slight hyperbole, considering the 1984 U.S. Open in Fort Worth and several SWO's! The 136-player combined field of both sections made many new TCA members, including folks from Louisiana who just wanted to get the magazine.

The Thursday night speed tournament saw Evans take first, followed by Mednis 2nd, Peters 3rd, and John Gonzalez of Port Arthur, 4th. The highlight was George Abood's upset win over Jack Peters--quite a thrill for a local "B" player!

Robert Barber of San Antonio won the drawing for Mephisto "Roma" chess computer.

Special thanks are due Steve Wellborn, a "grandmaster organizer" (Mednis) who almost singlehandedly made the Texas Open an event of national interest. By enlisting the support of his company, Electro-Motor, Inc., he has paved the way for more corporate sponsorship of Texas chess tournaments. Todd Thomas directed.

Rd. 1: Miles Ardaman 2534 vs. Robert Brieger 2139 1 Nf3 c5 2 c4 Nf6 3 Nc3 Nc6 4 e3 e6 5 d4 d5 6 a3 a6 7 dc Bc5 8 b4 Be7 9 Bb2 dc 10 Qd8+ Bd8 11 Bc4 b5 12 Bd3 Bb7 13 Ke2 Ke7 14 Rac1 Rc8 15 Ne4 Ne4 16 Be4 f6 17 Rhd1 Bb6 18 g4! h6 19 h4 Rhd8 20 g5 hg 21 hg Rd1 22 Rd1 Nd8 23 Bb1Nf7 24 gf gf 25 Nh4 Ne5 26 f4 Ng4 27 Ng6+ Ke8 28 f5 Bd5 29 e4 Bc4+ 30 Kf3 ef 31 ef Ne3 32 Rd6 Nd5 33 Be4 Rd8 34 Re6+ Kf7 35 Bf6 Re8 36 Ne5+ Kf8 37 Re8 + Ke8 38 Nc4 Nf6 39 Nb6 1-0.

Robert Chalker 2096 vs. Jack Peters 2528 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nc6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Be3 Qc7 7 a3 b5 8 Nc6 Qc6 9 Qd4 Bb7 10 Be2 Rc8 11 Qb6 Qb6 12 Bb6 Nf6 13 f3 Bc5 14 Bc5 Rc5 15 Bd3 Ke7 16 Ke2 d6 17 Rhd1 Nd7 18 Rd2 Rd8 19 Rad1 g6 20 Ke3 Ne5 21 Be2 f5 22 ef gf 23 f4 Nf7 24 Bh5 Nh6 25 h3 Ng8 26 Bf3 Bf3 27 Kf3 h5 28 Re1 (28 g4!) Kf7 29 Red1 d5! 30 Ne2 Nf6 31 Nc1 Ne4 32 Re2 Rg8 33 g4 hg+ 34 hg Rg4 35 Rh2 Rg3+ 36 Ke2 Rc2+ 0-1.

Robert Harrington 2119 vs. Paul Kuroda 2434 1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 d3 d6 6 Be3 e5 7 Nge2 Nge7 8 0-0 0-0 9 Qd2 Nd4 10 f4 Be6 11 Nc1?! (11 Nd1) Qd7 12 Nd1 Bh3 13 c3 Bg2 14 Kg2 ef 15 Bf4 Ne6 16 c4 Nf4+ 17 Qf4 f5 18 Nc3 fe 19 Qe4 Rf1 20 Kf1 Qh3+ 21 Ke1 (21 Kg1 Bd4+) Nc6 22 N1e2 Qh2 23 Kd1 Rf8 24 Kc2 Nd4+ 0-1.

Rd. 2: Ventura Barrientos 2278 vs. Igor Ivanov 2667 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 Nc6 6 Bc4 e6 7 Bb3 Be7 8 0-0 0-0 9 Kh1!? Na5 10 f4 b6 11 f5 e5 12 Nde2 Nb3 13 cb3! Ba6 14 Bg5 (White emerges with a grip on d5 than can't be shaken) Rc8 15 Bf6 Bf6 16 Nd5 Bg5 17 Rf3 f6 18 Nec3 Qd7 19 Qe1 Rc5 20 Rd1 Rfc8 21 Nb4 Bb7 22 Rfd3 a5 23 Rd6 Qd6 24 Rd6 ab4 25 Nd1 Rc1 26 h4 Bf4 27 g3 Bh6 28 Kg2 g6 29 fg R8c2+ 30 Kf3 Ba6 31 gh+ Kh8 32 Kg4 Kh7 33 Rd7+ Bg7 34 Rd2 Rc7 35 Qf2 Bc8+ 36 Kh5 f5 37 ef Rf7 38 Ne3 Bh6 39 g4 Bf4 40 g5 Be3 41 Qe3 Bf5 42 Rg2 Bg6+ 43 Kg4 Rf4+ 44 Kg3 Be4 45 Qc1 1-0.

Jack Peters vs. Ken Smith 2264 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 f4 Nc6 7 Be3 Be7 8 Qf3 Bd7 9 Nb3 a6 10 Bd3 Nb4 11 g4 Bc6 12 Nd4 Nd3+ 13 cd3 e5 14 Nc6 bc6 15 0-0 ef! 16 Qf4 0-0 17 Ne2 Qd7 18 h3 (18 g5? Nh5 19 Qf3 g6 Δ f6) Ne8 (h5? 19 Ng3! hg 20 Nf5 Δ Qg5) 19 Ng3 Bf6 20 d4 g6 21 Rac1 Bg7 22 Rc2 Nc7 23 Rfc1 Ne6 24 Qf2 Rfc8? (c5! 25 d5 Nd4) 25 d5 cd 26 ed Rc2 27 Qc2 Bd4 28 Bd4 Nd4 29 Qf2 Nb5 30 Ne4 Qe7 31 Rc4 Ra7? 32 Nf6+ Kg7 33 Rc8 Qe5 34 Rg8+ Kh6 35 Qh4# 1-0. Notes by Jack Peters.

Paul Kuroda vs. Pat Brown 2235 1 Nf3 f5 2 2 b3 Nf6 3 Bb2 e6 4 g3 b6 5 Bg2 Bb7 6 0-0 Be7 7 c4 0-0 8 Nc3 c5 9 d4 cd 10 Qd4 Nc6 11 Qf4 Rb8 12 Rad1 Qe8 13 Qd2 Qh5 14 Nb5 Rbd8 15 Nd6 Ne4 16 Ne4 fe4 17 Nd4 Ne5 18 h3 Rf6 19 g4 Qh4 (Ng4 20 hg4 Qg4 21 f3)20 Nb5 Nf3+ 21 ef3 ef 22 Bf6 Bf6 23 Bh1 Bg5 24 Qd6 Qh3 25 Qg3 Qh6 26 Bf3 Bf4 27 g5 Bg3 28 gh6 Bf3 29 Rd3 Bh2+ 30 Kh2 Be2 31 Rfd1 d5 32 cd Bd1 33 Rd1 ed 34 Rg1 g6 35 Nd4 Kf7 36 Rc1 Kf6 37 f4 Re8 38 Rc6+ Kf7 39 Rc7+ Kf6 40 Kg3 Re4 41 Nf3 d4 42 Rd7 Re2 1-0.

Rd. 3: Miles Ardaman vs. Paul Kuroda 1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 d3 d6 6 Nge2 e5 7 a3 Nge7 8 b4 0-0 9 Rb1 b6 10 0-0 Be6 11 Nd5 Rc8 12 c4 Nd4 13 Nd4 cd4 14 f4 f5 15 fe de 16 Bg5 Bd5 17 ed5 h6 18 Bd2 Kh7 19 Qb3 Ng8 20 Rbc1 Nf6 21 c5 e4 (Tit for tat!)22 d6 e3 23 Be1 Ng4 24 Qd5 e2 (A bridge too far...)25 Rf4 Ne3 26 Qb7 Kh8 27 Rf2 Be5 28 Re2 f4 29 Qe4 Qf6 30 c4 31 Bg3 Bg3 32 hg3 Rce8 33 Qf4 Qg7 34 Qh4 Nf5 35 Re8 Re8 36 Qf4 Rf8 37 c6 g5 38 Qf5 Rf5 39 c7 Qe5 40 c8(Q)+ Kg7 41 Rc7+ 1-0.

María Ivánka 2343 vs. Jack Peters 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nf3 c5 3 e3 e6 4 d4 cd 5 ed d5 6 Nc3 Be7 7 Be3 (7 Bd3 is usual) 0-0 8 Rc1 b6 9 cd Nd5 10 Nd5 Qd5 11 Bc4 (11 a3) Bb4+ 12 Kf1?! (12 Ke2 or 12 Bd2 Qe4+ 13 Be2) Ba6 13 Ba6 Na6 14 Qa4 Qb7 15 Ke2 Bd6 16 Qc6 Qe7 17 a3 Nc7 18 Rhe1 Nd5 19 Kf1 h6 20 h3 Rad8 21 Qa4 Qb7 22 Rc2 Ne7 23 Ne5?! Be5 24 de5 Rd7 25 Rd2? Nd5 26 Kg1?? Ne3 0-1. Notes by Jack Peters.

Rd. 3: Edmar Mednis 2516 vs. William Reuter 2286 1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 (This came into vogue on account of 3 Nc3 b5!?) de 4 Ne4 Bf5 5 Ng3 Bg6 6 h4 h6 7 Nf3 Nd7 8 h5 Bh7 9 Bd3 Bd3 10 Qd3 Qc7 11 Bd2 e6 12 0-0-0 Ngf6 13 Qe2 0-0-0 14 Ne5 Nb6 (Older theory is 14...Ne5 15 de5 Nd7 16 f4 Be7 17 Ne4, Spassky-Petrosian 1966) 15 Ba5 Rd5! (c5 16 c4! cd 17 Kb1 Bd6 18 c5! -Boleslavsky) 16 Bb6 ab6 17 c4 Ra5 18 Kb1 Bd6 19 f4 Re8 20 Nf1 b5 21 Nd2 bc 22 Ndc4 Rd5 23 Rh3 Rd8 24 Rhd3 Bf8 25 g4 Rb5 26 Ne3 Kb8 27 Qc2 Nd5 28 Nd5 Rbd5 29 Qe2 Bd6 30 Qe4 Qe7 31 R3d2 Be5 32 fe5 c5 33 Rd3 c4 34 Rf3 R5d7 35 Rf2 Qb4 36 Qc2 Rc7 37 Rf3 Qb6 38 Qc3 Qc6 39 Rdf1 Rdd7 40 Rd1 Qa4 41 Qc2 Qa6 42 Qc3 Qb5 1/2-1/2.

Carlos Lau 2314 vs. Selby Anderson 2266 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Bc4 Bg7 7 Bb3 Nc6 8 0-0 0-0 9 a4 Bd7 (Nd4 10 Qd4 Nd7=) 10 Be3 Na5 (Ng4 11 Nc6 bc6 12 Bd4 e5 13 Be3 Ne3 14 fe3 Be6 ∞) 11 f3 Nb3 12 Nb3 b6 13 Qd2 Re8 14 Bh6 Bh8 15 Rfd1 Qc7 16 Bg5! Bc6 17 Qe2 Rac8 18 a5 b5 19 Nb5 Bb5 20 Qb5 Qc2 21 Nd4 (Ouch!) Qc4 22 Rac1 Qb5 23 Nb5 Rc1 24 Rc1 Rb8 25 Na7 Rb2 26 Bh6 Rb8 27 Rc8+ Rc8 28 Nc8 1-0.

Rd. 4: Jack Peters vs. Miles Ardaman 1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Bg5 Nbd7 5 f4 h6 6 Bh4 Bh7 7 e5 Nh5!? 8 Nd5!? (I had never seen 7...Nh5, and this attempt to refute it seems too optimistic) c6 9 Ne7 Nf4 10 Qd2 g5 11 Nf5 Bf8 12 Qf4 (12 Nd6+ Bd6 13 ed6 Nf6) de 13 Qe4 Qa5 14 c3 gh4 (Nf6 15 Qf3! gh4 16 Nd6+ -M.A.)15 Nf3 Qd5 (Nf6 16 Qh4 Nd5 17 Qe4 with a wild position) 16 Qd5 cd5 17 Ne3 e4? (ed 18 cd [18 Nd5 dc3!] Nf6 19 Nh4 +=) 18 Nh4 Nb6 19 Be2 h5 20 0-0 Be6 21 Nh5 0-0-0 22 Rf4 Nd7 23 Raf1 Nf6 24 Rh4 Rh7 25 Kh1 Kc7 26 Ng3 Bh6 27 Rf6 Be3 28 Rh5 Rh5 29 Bh5 Kd7 30 Bf7 1-0. Notes by Jack Peters.

Carlos Lau vs. Edmar Mednis 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Bc3+ 6 bc3 Qc7 7 Nf3 b6 8 a4 Ba6 9 Bb5+ Bb5 10 ab5 Ne7 11 0-0 0-0 12 Re1 Rc8 13 Qd3 Nd7 14 Ba3 h6 15 h4 Qb7 16 Bc1 Qc7 17 Ba3 Qb7 (Larry Evans suggested Ng6-f8 as a winning try) 18 Bc1 Qc7 19 Ba3 1/2-1/2.

Pat Brown vs. Maria Ivanka 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 Bg5 Bg7 4 Nbd2 d5 5 e3 0-0 6 6 Bd3 b6 7 Qe2 c5 8 c3 Nc6 9 0-0 Bb7 10 Ba6 Ba6 11 Qa6 Qd7 12 Rad1 Rac8 13 Rfd1 Qf5 14 Bf4 cd 15 Nd4 Nd4 16 cd4 Nh5 17 Qa7 Nf4 18 ef4 Bd4 19 Nf3 Bf6 20 Qb6 e6 21 Ne5 Qf4 22 Nd7 Rfd8 23 Nf6+ Qf6 24 Re2 Kg7 25 g3 Ra8 26 b4 Rdb8 27 Qd6 Rb7 28 Qc6 Rba7 29 b5 Ra2 30 Ra2 Ra2 31 Rf1 Qb2 32 Qd7 Ra5 33 Re1 Qb5 34 Qc7 d4 35 Re6 Ra1+ 36 Kg2 Qd5+ 0-1.

Rd. 5: Michael Brooks 2564 vs. Jack Peters 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nc6 5 Nb5 d6 6 Bf4 (An old Fischer favorite. Usual is 6 c4) e5 7 Be3 Nf6 8 N1c3 a6 9 Na3 b5 10 Nd5Rb8 (Also Nd5 is good for equality)11 Nf6+ gf6!/? (Qf6 12 Bd3= ECO. Keep in mind that this game was played for all the cookies)12 c4 b4 13 Nc2 f5 14 ef Bf5 15 Bd3 Bg6 16 0-0 Bg7 17 f4?! (17 Bg6 hg6 18 Qf3 Δ Rad1-d3, Rfd1 with pressure on d6 -Evans) ef 18 Bf4 Bb2 19 Bg6 hg6 20 Bd6 Ba1 (Bd4+ 21 Nd4 Qd6 22 Nc6! Qc6 [Qh2+ is insufficient]) 23 Qe2+ Qe6 [Kf8? 24 Qe5! +-] 24 Qe6+ fe6 25 Rf6 -JP) 21 Re1+ Be5 22 Qd5 f6! (Forced, but strong. Not 22...Rc8 23 Nd4 with powerful threats -JP) 23 Qc6+ Kf7 24 Qd5+ Kg7 25 Re5 fe5 26 Ne3? (26 Be5 Kh6 27 Bf4 g5 28 Qe6 Kh5 29 Qf7=) Re8 27 Be5+ Re5 28 Qe5+ Kf7 29 Nd5 Rc8 30 Qf4+ Kg8 31 h4 Rc6 32 Qe4 Rd6 33 g3 a5 34 Kf2 Qd7 35 Kf3 Qf5+ 36.Qf5 gf5 37 Ke3 Kf7 38 Kd4 Rg6 39 c5 Rg4+! 40 Ke5 a4 41 Nb4 Rb4 42 Kd6 Rg4 43 c6 Rg3 44 c7 Rc3 0-1.

William Reuter vs. Igor Ivanov 1 e4 c5 2 c3 e6 3 d4 d5 4 e5 Nc6 5 Nf3 Qb6 6 Be2 cd?! (Nh6) 7 cd Nh6 8 Nc3! Nf5 9 Na4 Qa5+ 10 Bd2 Bb4 11 Bc3 Bc3+ 12 Nc3 Qb6 13 Bb5 0-0 14 Bc6 Qb2 15 Na4 Qb4+ 16 Qd2 Qd2+ 17 Kd2 bc6 (White's bind is worth more than the pawn)18 Rb1Ba6 19 Nc5 Bc4 20 Rb2 Rfb8 21 Rhb1 Rb2+ 22 Rb2 Bf1 23 g4 Nh6 24 g5 Nf5 25 Kc3 h6 26 gh Nh6 27 Ng5 Ng4 28 h3 Nh6 29 Rb1 Be2 30 Rb7 a5 31 a4 Bh5 32 Rc7 Nf5 33 Rc6 Nh4 34 Rc7 Nf3 35 Nf3 Bf3 36 Kd2 Bh5 37 Rb7 Kh7 38 Ke3 Kg6 39 Kf4 Rh8 40 h4 Be2 41 Kg3 Rf8 42 f3 Kf5 43 Kf2? (43 Ra7) Bc4 44 Ke3 Kg6 45 Kf4 Kh5 46 Rb1? Kh6 47 Kg4 Kg6 48 h5+ Kh6 49 Rb2 Bf1 50 f4 Rc8 51 Rf2 Bc4 52 f5 ef+ 53 Rf5 Be2+ 54 Kh4 Rc7 55 e6 fe 56 Ne6 Rc1 57 Nf4 Rf1 58 Rf8 Kh7 59 Kg5 Bd3 60 Ne6 Re1 61 Re8 Rg1+ 62 Kf4 Rf1+ 63 Kg5 1/2-1/2.

Three-way Tie in Texas Open Reserve

Ed Erwin (1971), Robert Wright (1894) and Jan Holland (1685) tied for first with 4.5-.5 scores in the Reserve Section of the Texas Open, each taking home \$333.33. The seven-way tie at 4-1 included "B" winners Michael Hodson (1658) and Dana Pierson (1607), who split \$200. Todd Stidham (1451) scored 3.5-1.5 to take 1st "C", John Moen (1381) was 1st "D" with 3-2, and R. Brock was first Unrated with 1.5-3.5. Each won \$200.

Rd. 5: Robert Wright 1894 vs. Jan Holland 1685 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 ed 4 Bc4 Bb4+ 5 c3 dc 6 bc Qf6 7 0-0 Bc5 8 e5 Qd8 9 Bf7+ Kf7 10 10 Qd5+ Ke8 11 Qc5 Qe7 12 Qe3 Nh6 13 Ba3 Qe6 14 Re1 Nf7 15 Nd4 Qd5 16 Nd2 b6 17 Ne4 Bb7 18 Nd6+ cd6 19 Nc6 de 20 Rad1 Qc6 21 f3 g5 22 Rd6 Qa4 23 c4 Rg8 24 Rf6 Qc4 25 Rf7 Kf7 (Qf7!) 26 Qe5 Qe6 27 Qc3

Qd5 28 Re7+Kg7 29 Qc2+ Qf5 30 Qd1 Bc6 31 Qd6+ Qf6 32 Qd3+ Qf5 33 Qd6+ Qf6 34 Qd3+ and 1/2 - 1/2 .

C. Hathaway 1756 vs. Hugh West 18631 c4 e5 2 g3 Nc6 3 Bg2 Bc5 4 e3 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Nge2 0-0 7 0-0 Bf5 8 d4 ed 9 ed Bb6 10 Bg5 Bg4 11 f3 Be6 12 b3 d5 13 c5 Ba5 14 a3 Bc3 15 Nc3 h6 16 Be3 Ne7 17 b4 Nf5 18 Bf2 c6 19 Qd2 Re8 20 g4 Ne7 21 Na4 Qd7 22 h3 Ng6 23 Nb2 Qc7 24 Nd3 Re7 25 Be3 Rad8 26 Rae1 Nh7 27 Nf4 Nh4 28 Bh1 g5 29 Ng2 Ng6 30 h4 gh 31 Nf4 Ng5 32 Re2 Qd7 33 Nh5 Nh7 34 Rg2 Bg4 35 Rg4 Re3 36 Nf4 Ng5 37 Nh5 Qf5 38 Qd1 Re2 39 Bg2 h3 40 Ng3 Rg2+ 41 Kh1 Nf3 42 Qf3 Qf3 43 Rg6+ fg6 44 Rf3 Re1+ 45 Nf1 Rd2 0-1 .

Rd. 3: Greg Wren 1700 vs. Winston Hamby 1524 1 d4 d5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 Bg5 e6 4 e3 Be7 5 Nf3 Nc6 6 a3 a6 7 Bd3 h6 8 Bf6 Bf6 9 Qd2 Qd6 10 0-0-0 Be7 11 e4 Nd4 12 e5! (12 Nd4?? Bg5) Nf3 13 ed6 Nd2 14 de7 Nc4 15 Bc4 dc4 16 Rd8+ Ke7 17 Rh8 f5 18 Rd1 1-0.

Rd. 2: Robert Barber 1983 vs. Graciano Sison 1845 1 c4 e6 2 Nc3 f5 3 d4 Nf6 4 Bf4 a6? 5 Qd2 Be7 6 f3 b6 7 e4 fe 8 fe d6 9 0-0-0 0-0 10 Bd3 Nh5 11 Be3 Nd7 12 Nf3 c5 13 Rdf1 cd 14 Nd4 Ne5 15 Rf8+ Bf8 16 Be2 Qe8 17 Rf1 Qg6 18 Nf3 Nd7 19 g4 Nhf6 20 Nh4 Qe8 21 Bf3 Ne5 22 Qe2 Nf3 23 Qf3 Bb7 24 Bb6 Kh8? 25 g5 Nd7 26 Bd4 Qe2 (Ne5!?) 27 Qh5 Kg8 28 Rf3 Qe8 29 g6 h6 30 Rf7 Nf6 31 Bf6 gf6 32 Rb7 Bg7 33 Rf7 Qc6 34 Qe2 Rb8 35 Nf3 Qc5 36 Qd3 Qf2 37 b3 f5 38 ef ef 39 Qd5 Kh8 40 Rg7 Kg7 41 Qf7+ 1-0.

--SKA & Todd Thomas

Cuban GM Garcia Denied Prize at NY Open

The New York Times (Sun., April 10) reports that Grandmaster Guillermo Garcia of Havana had his second-place prize of \$10,000 from the New York Open (International "A" tournament) impounded by the U.S. Government under a provision of the Trading With the Enemy Act of 1917. His money has been put into a blocked, interest-bearing account, which he can't even spend in the U.S. A Treasury Department official (who did not wish to be identified) said: "He can't get it. He can't debit a blocked account. There's only one way, and that is if he establishes permanent residence in some country other than Cuba that is, itself, not blocked."

The purpose of the sanction, he said, is "to prevent transfer of hard currency to Cuba and to provide leverage to reach a settlement with Cuba because of their expropriation of U.S. property back in the early 60's." Cuba was put on the list of "enemy" countries (which today also includes Libya, Vietnam, Cambodia and North Korea) in 1963 under the Kennedy administration.

By the way--the first place winner, Vassily Ivanchuk of the Soviet Union, was allowed to take his prize of \$20,000 home with him.

--SKA

TCA Elections

The Floor is Open for Nominations!

In accordance with the last TCA business meeting at the Southwest Open, we are having election by mail to determine next year's officers. The positions available are as follows, with the duties outlined in the TCA Bylaws (bearing in mind that "he" means "he/she"):

President: (1) The President shall preside at all Annual or Special Meetings of the membership. (2) He shall call Special Meetings of the Board of Directors; appoint committees and committee chairmen; appoint the Editor of Texas Knights; appoint the seven Regional Directors representing each region of Texas (as outlined in Appendix I); appoint the Delegates and Voting Members to represent Texas in the U.S.C.F. elections and meetings; and appoint the Directors of Postal Chess, Junior Chess, Computer Chess and any other Directors deemed necessary by the Membership of the Association. (3) He shall carry out all requirements of these Bylaws, represent the Association officially on occasion, report annually on the association to the members, and shall have the authority to act as the Chief Executive Officer of the Association.

Vice-President: (1) During the absence or incapacitation of the President, the Vice-President shall assume and discharge all duties and responsibilities of that office. (2) He shall act as the coordinator of all chess tournaments in Texas, and shall operate the U.S.C.F. Tournament Clearinghouse for Texas. The tournament Clearinghouse Director shall undertake full responsibility for notifying organizers in their areas of possible conflicts and to help organizers schedule non-conflicting tournaments. Close liaison shall be maintained between the Vice-President and all Texas organizers and with the Tournament Clearinghouse coordinators in surrounding areas. (3) He shall regularly advise the Editor of Texas Knights of all scheduled Texas tournaments. He shall also receive from Texas organizers official tournament results, prize handouts, and crosstables of tournaments to forward to the Editor of Texas Knights. The Vice-President shall also be in charge of any investigation of tournament ethics complaints. (4) The Vice-President shall be the chairperson of the Membership Committee, working towards adding more T.C.A. members and U.S.C.F. members within Texas. (5) In the event of a committee chairperson or Director vacating their position, this officer will take over their duties on a temporary basis until a replacement is formally appointed.

Secretary: (1) The Secretary shall be the recording officer of the Association and the custodian of its records. (2) He shall maintain a current list of all members in good standing, and complete minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting and special meetings. (3) He shall transcribe all minutes of Association meetings into a permanent minute book to be read at the Annual Membership Meeting.

Treasurer: (1) The Treasurer shall be the officer entrusted with the custody of Association funds. (2) He shall handle the receipt of all dues and other funds received by the Association, and shall distribute membership cards to members in good standing, forwarding the current membership list to the Secretary on a monthly basis. (3) He shall provide the Association officers with quarterly financial statements listing income and expenses, assets, liabilities and net worth, and shall report the financial status of the Association each year at the Annual Membership Meeting. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the Tuesday following Labor Day, and end on the following Labor Day. (4) The funds of the Association shall be insured by a bond upon the Treasurer which shall be annually renewed at the beginning of the fiscal year. This bond shall be in an amount equal to the fund of the Association at the end of the fiscal year plus \$500. (5) Any single expenditure in excess of \$200 shall require the approval of the President, except the costs of Texas Knights. (6) All funds of the Association shall be deposited in a national bank, in a checking account and a savings account. Funds not required for the regular maintenance of the Association shall be allocated to a separate savings account.

Send your nominations to Texas Knights, P.O. Box 501, Helotes, TX 78023, by June 15, 1988 (postmark date.) Each candidate gets 50 words free (more at our ad rate of \$50/p, \$35/half, \$20/qtr) to state why he/she should be elected. A short bio is in order, including service to chess organizations.

Both nominator and nominee must be members in good standing of TCA. If you're not sure, check your mailing label.

Ballots will be published in the next issue of Texas Knights, along with a collecting address belonging to a disinterested third party, preferably a Notary Public or C.P.A.

Computer Chess

Robert Harrington of Beaumont, former Oklahoma State Champion, won a \$1000 prize for the most interesting game against a computer at the American Open this January:

Fidelity B (Unr) vs. Robert Harrington (2103): 1 e4 d5 2 ed Nf6 3 d4 Nd5 4 Nf3 g6 5 Be2 Bg7 6 0-0 0-0 7 Re1(!) (7 h3: 7 Na3!?) c6!? (Nc6) 8 c4 Nc7 9 Nc3 Bg4 10 Be3 Nd7 11 Qb3 Bf3 12 Bf3 e5 13 d5 cd 14 Nd5?! (14 cd +=) Ne6!? 15 Rad1? (15 Qb7) Nd4 16 Bd4 ed4 17 Ne7 Kh8 18 Qb7 Rb8 19 Qa7 Ne5! 20 Nc6 Nf3+ 21 gf3 Qg5+ 22 Kf1 Rb2 23 Qa3 d3! 24 Re5 Qf6! 25 Qb2 Qf3 26 Ke1 Qc6 27 Rd3 Qh1+ 28 Ke2 Qh2 29 Rg3 Qh4!? 30 Qb4 Ra8 31 Ra5 Re8+ 32 Re3 Qg4+ 33 Kf1 Qd1+ 34 Kg2! Qg4+ 35 Rg3? (35 Kf1=) Qe4+ 36 Kg1 h5! 37 Rb5 h4 38 Rb3 Qg4+ 39 Kf1 h3 40 Re3 Qd1+ 41 Qe1 Qe+ 42 Ke1 Re3+ 43 Kd2 Re4 44 Rb6 Kh7 45 c5 h2 46 Rb1 Rg4 47 Rh1 Be5 48 a4 Rg1 49 Rh2 Bh2 0-1. (Chess Life, April '88, p. 28.)

The President's Report

It is just past midpoint in the TCA year. Your officers are proud to report a steady increase in membership over the last six months (up to 860 as of 4/20/88) and a healthy net worth (over \$6000, including \$3400 in USCF grant money.) It has been our goal to create a strong, vibrant chess organization. Some of our accomplishments to date include: (1) Funding the Texas Junior Championship; (2) Production of a "How to Play Chess" video (30 min.) soon to be available free of charge while supply lasts, to be distributed to chess clubs across Texas (contact Tony Alston at (512) 534-4976 for details); (3) Providing money and materials to any TCA member willing to teach youngsters in their area, especially, summer programs for young talent. Youth organizers, you can now hire local chess talent! Contact any TCA officer for more info.

I cannot praise too much the contribution of such organizers as Steve Wellborn, whose Texas Open made chess history. And of course, our new TK editor. --Pat Gannon

Overachievers!

Once again, Texas is well represented in the US Chess Net '87 **Overachievers** list--thanks in a large part to the **Houston Chess Studio** (#3 affiliate in nation) with its near nonstop schedule of tournaments and tireless director **Todd Thomas** (#2 TD, with 71 tournaments for 1987.) **Jesse Tuggle** topped the busiest player list for the umpteenth time (723 games played), with **Michael Calogridis** a distant second (only 392 games!) Other active Texans: Jesse Matlock (#4), Billy Patteson (#9), Hugh West (#12), Clarence Yeung (#22), Robert Epstein (#23), Mansour Bighamian (#24), Robert Chalker (#32), and Charles Burford (#34.) **Kathleen Weaver** tied for 13th most active woman player in '87.

The Dallas Chess Club made #10 on the affiliates' list, with **Austin Chess Enterprises** at #22. **William Tompkins** of A.C.E. made #18 on the TD list. Dallas clubbers must know how to rotate the work load--none of their TD's made that list.

Joe Bradford tied for the 42nd spot (along with Bisguier, Zaltsman, Ardaman and Kaufman) in the FIDE ranking of U.S. players, at **2430**. Houston's favorite son **Ron Henley**, now of New York, is #18 at **2505**. That's FIDE points--not inflated currency!

J.C. Thompson, TCA Historian and founding father, is one of six **Masters Emeriti**--a rare honor. It is for those players who made their mark before the modern USCF rating system.

Robert Atlas of Houston (whose name I like others have written "Charles Atlas" on the scoresheet--well, he *is* a strong player) made **Life Master** last year, along with **Carlos Lau** and **Gary Simms**. Other Texans already on the list: Eric Bone, Joe Bradford, Michael Calogridis, Arthur de la Garcza, John Hall, John Jacobs, John Dunning, Igor Shtern and Ken Smith.

--SKA

J.P. AND JACK SPRING BACK LIGON TIES HYLITIN AT SAN ANTONIO SPRING OPEN

Jack Ligon and J. P. Hylltin tied for first with 4.5-0.5 scores in the Spring open, held March 19-20. Both players have been inactive (chess wise) having married recently. (Welcome back to the Chess World!?) Kenneth Poole won 1st B with 3-2, with Allen Eckert, William H. Booker and Freddie R. Jones in a tie for 2nd B with 2.5-2.5. The C prize was shared by L.E. Patterson, W. Poundstone Jackson and Mike Myers with 1-4 scores. Wallace Short won 1st D-E-Unr with a 3-2 score (!), Mark Senkiw and David Mellot tied for 2nd D-E at 2-3. Mike Moore directed

Jack Ligon 2198 vs. Alan Eckert 1736: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 c3 c5 6 f4 Nc6 7 Ndf3 Qb6 8 g3 cd 9 cd Bb4+ 10 Kf2 0-0 (g5!? 11 h3! or f6 11 Kg2) 11 Bh3 Qc7 (f5 12 Ne2 Qd8 13 g4! Zinn-Rittner DDR 1964. Giving White a free hand on the K-side as in this game doesn't promise much either.) 12 Ne2 b6 13 Be3 Ba6 14 Rc1 Rfc8 (Be2!) 15 f5 Nf8 16 Nf4 Qd7 17 f6! gf? (g6 18 Bf1BF1 Qf1Δ Qh3-h6) 18 Nh5 Qd8 19 Nf6+ Kh8? 20 Ng5 Kg7 21 Qh5 Qe7 22 Ngh7 Bd3 23 Qh6+ Kh8 24 Nf8+ 1-0.

Fred Speck 1701 vs. Andy Smith 2180: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 a3 Bc3+ 5 bc3 Ne4 6 Qc2 d5!? (f5 followed by b6 or d6 is more in the spirit of Tal's 5...Ne4.) 7 Nf3 0-0 8 e3 Nd7 9 Bd3 f5 10 0-0 Rf6!? 11 cd ed 12 c4 c6 13 Bb2 Rh6 14 Rac1 (White has built a powerful position with simple moves, and can neutralize the Black attack before it gets out of the garage.) Ndf6 15 cd cd 16 Qc7 Qe8 17 Qe5 Be6 18 Rc7 Nd7 19 Qf4 Qh5 20 Rb7 g5 21 Qc7 Rf8? (g4 22 Be4 fe4 23 Nd2 offers better chances, but fails against best play. White has moves such as a4, Ba3-d6-g3 and Rc1 in the offing, and has plenty of time to queen the a-pawn.) 22 Bb5 Nef6 (Alas, the planned Rf7 loses a piece to 23 Bd7!) 23 Rfc1 f4 24 Qd6 Bg4 25 Bd7! Nd7 (Bf3 26 Be6+) 26 Qd5+ Be6 27 Qg5+ Qg5 28 Ng5 fe 29 fe 1-0.

Jack Ligon vs. Pat Gannon 1993: 1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 ed cd 4 c4 e6 5 Nc3 Nf6 6 Nf3 Be7 7 cd ed 8 Bb5+ Bd7 9 Bd7+ Nbd7 10 0-0 0-0 11 Re1 Re8 12 Bg5 h6 13 Bh4 Nb6?! (Qa5 14 Ne5 Bb4!) 14 Ne5 Rc8 15 Qf3 Bb4 16 Ng4 Re1+ 17 Re1 Be7 18 h3 Nbd7 19 Ne5 g5?! (Nb6) 20 Bg3 Nb6 21 h4 Qf8 22 hg hg 23 Qf5 Nh5 24 Ng4 Ng3 25 fg3 Rd8 26 Re5 Rd6 27 Nd5 Nd5 28 Rd5 Rd5 29 Qd5 Qd8 30 Nh6+ Kh7? (Kg7) 31 Qd8 Bd8 32 Nf7 Bf6 33 d5! (33 Ne5?=) Kg7 34 Nd6 Bb2 35 Nb7 Kf7 36 Kf2 Ke7 37 Kf3 Kd7 38 Ke4 Kc7 39 Nc5 Kd6 40 Nd3 f6 41 g4 Bd8 42 Ne5 Be7 43 Nf7+ Kc5 44 Ke5 Kb4 45 d6 Bd6 46 Kd6 Ka3 47 Kc6 Ka2 48 Kb5 1-0.

J. P. Hylltin 2119 vs. Jack Ligon: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 0-0 5 Bd3 d5 (c5!) 6 Nf3 (6a3!) c5 7 0-0 Nc6 8 a3 Bc3 9 bc3 dc4 10 Bc4 Qc7 11 Bd3 e5 12 Qc2 Rd8 13 de Ne5 14 Ne5 Qe5 15 f3 Be6 16 e4 c4 17 Be6 b5 18 Be3 Qc7 19 Rfd1 Nd2 20 Rd2 Nc5 21 Rad1 Nb3 22 Rd8 Rd8 23 Rd8 Qd8 24 Ba7 Qa5 1/2-1/2.

Pat Gannon vs. Tom Patton 2140: 1 d4 Nf6 2 Bg5 (The Trompovsky Attack) Ne4 3 Bh4 g6!? 4 f3 Nf6 5 e4 d6 6 Nc3 Bg7 7 Qd2 c6 8 0-0-0 Qa5 (Or 8...0-0 9 g4 +=, Bohm-Popov, Amsterdam II 1974) 9 g4 0-0 10 Bg5 b5 11 h4 b4 12 Nb1 Qa2 13 h5 c5 14 hg fg 15 c3? (15 Qh2! Rf7 16 e5) cd 16 cd Bg4! 17 Qb4! Rc8+ 18 Nc3 Ne4! 19 fe4 Bd1? (This throws away the game. Correct is 19...Qa1+ 20 Kd2 Bd1 21 Bc4+ [21 Nd1? Qc1+] Kh8 22 Nd1 Nc6 23 Qb3 Qa5+, or 23 Qc3 Qa5! trading into a won ending.)20 Kd1 Qa1+ 21 Bc1 Nc6 22 Qb3+ Kh8 23 Nf3 Rf8 24 Ng5 h6 25 Ne6 Nd4 26 Nd4 Bd4 27 Qe6 Be6 28 Rh6+ Kg7 29 Qg4 Qc1+ 30 Kc1 Kh6 31 Bd3 Bg5+ 32 Kc2 Rf2+ 33 Be2 Rf4 34 Qh3+ Rh4 35 Qg2 Rb8 36 Qf2 Rb6 37 Qf8+ Kh7 38 Bc4 Rf4 39 Qg8+ 1-0.

Pat Gannon vs. J. P. Hyltin: 1 d4 Nf6 2 Bg5 Ne4 3 Bh4 d5 4 f3 (4 Nd2 Nd2 5 Qd2 += ECO)Nd6!/? (Nf6 5 Nd2 Nc6 6 e3 e5= Heinrich-Bogolubov, Karlsruhe 1938/9) 5 Nc3 Nf5 6 Bf2 e6 7 e4 Nh4 8 g3 Ng6 9 h4!/? Bb4 10 h5 Ne7 11 a3 (11 Ne2) Bc3+ 12 bc3 b6 13 e5 h6 14 g4 Ba6 15 Ba6 Na6 16 Qd3 Qc8 17 Ne2?! (17 f4 Δ Nf3-h4, f5 with entry for the N at g6.) Nb8! 18 a4 Qa6 19 a5 Qc4 20 ab cb 21 Qc4 dc4 22 Nf4 Nd5 23 Nd5 ed5 24 f4 Nc6 25 Kd2 Kd7 26 g5 Ne7 27 g6 fg 28 hg Ke6 29 Be3 Rhb8 30 Rh5 Nf5 31 Rh3 a5 32 Kd1 b5 33 Bd2 Rb6 34 Ke2 Kd7 35 Rg1 b4 36 Rh5 Rf8 37 Kf3 b3 38 Bc1 b2 39 Bb2 Rb2 40 e6+ Ke6 41 Re1+ Kd7 42 Kg4 Rc2 43 Rf5 Rg2+ 44 Kf3 Rf5 45 Kg2 Rf4 46 Ra1 Rf6 47 Ra5 Rg6+ 48 Kf3 Rg5 49 Kf4 Ke6 50 Ra6+ Kf7 51 Ra7+ Kg6 52 Ra6+ Kh7 53 Rd6 Rh5 54 Kg4 g6 55 Rd7+ Kg8 and 0-1 in 20.

Tim Beszczynski 2008 vs. John Carroll 1832: 1 Nf3 f5 2 c4 c5 3 g3 b6 4 Bg2 Bb7 5 0-0 Nf6 6 d3 e6 7 Nc3 Na6 8 Re1 Be7 9 e4 fe 10 de 0-0 11 e5 Ne8 12 Ne4 Qc7 13 Bg5 Bg5 14 Neg5 h6 15 Ne4 Rd8 16 Nd6 Nd6 17 ed6 Qb8 18 Ne5 Bg2 19 Kg2 Qb7+ 20 Kg1 Nb4 21 f4 Nc6 22 Qf3 Rb8 23 Nc6 dc6 24 Re6 Qd7 25 Rae1 Rf6 26 f5 (26 Rf6 gf6 27 Re7 +-) Rbf8 27 R1e5 Re6 28 Re6 Qe6 29 fe6 Rf3 30 d7 Rd3 31 e7 1-0.

Wallace Short 1383 vs. Steve Smollen 1889: 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 d5 4 cd Nd5 5 Bg2 Nc3 6 bc3 g6 7 Rb1 c6 8 d3 Nd7 9 Nf3 Qa5 10 Qc2 Bg7 11 0-0 0-0 12 Ng5 Qc7 13 Be3 Nb6 14 Ne4 f5 15 Qb3+ Kh8 16 Ng5 Nd5 17 Bd5 cd5 18 Qd5 Qe7 19 Bc5 Qg5 20 Bf8 Bf8 21 Qe5+ Kg8 22 Qd5+ Kg7?? 23 Rb7+ 1-0.

Kenneth Poole 1788 vs. Andy Smith: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 Nc3 Bb7 5 Bf4 d5 (Be7 or d6!?) 6 e3 Ne4 7 Qc2 f5 8 cd ed 9 Be2 Bd6 10 Ne5 0-0 11 h4 Nd7 12 Ne4 fe4 13 Bg5 Bb4+ 14 Kd1 Nf6 15 Rc1 Bd6 (c5! 16 a3 Ba5 17 dc d4! 18 Qc4+ Bd5 19 Qd4 Bb3+ 20 Rc2 bc! +=) 16 Ng4 Ng4! 17 Bg4! (17 Bd8 Nf2+ 18 Ke1 Bb4+ 19 Kf1 Rad 20 Kg1 Nh1 21 Kh1 Rf2 =+) Qe8 18 h5 Ba6 19 Qd2 Bd3 20 f4 a5 21 Qf2 h6 22 Bh4 Rf4!/? 23 ef4 e3 24 Qe1 Qa4+ 25 b3 Qa2 (Qd4?! 26 Qc3 e2+ 27 Be2 Be2+ 28 Ke2 Re8+ 29 Kf1 Qf4+ 30 Bf2 Bb4!/? 31 Qc2! or 30...Bc5 31 Rc2 Re3 32 Qd2 +-)26 Qe3 Qb3+ 27 Ke1 Rf8 28 Bg3 1/2-1/2 (Bb4+ 29 Kf2 Qb2+ 30 Be2 ∞.)

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San Jacinto Open

A RINGER STEALS THE SHOW

Roger D. Young scored a perfect 4-0 to take first at the San Jacinto Open, held April 2-3 at Texas A & M University. Roger is technically "unrated" by virtue of a five-year absence from tournaments (the Jan. 1982 CL has him at 1778), but his last round win against Lavery did not qualify for the upset prize. In a three-way tie for second with 3.5-5 scores were Dusan Djuric (1944), Brian Hoffpavir (1985) and Todd Thomas (2234). John McBeth (1737) won 1st "Upper" class (1675-1800) with a 2.5-1.5 score, and John Moen won 1st "Popular" class (<1675) with 2-2. Moen also won the upset prize.

Alan Lavery 2172 vs. Roger D. Young (Unr): 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 d4 d6 4 Nc3 Bg7 5 g3 0-0 6 Bg2 Nbd7 7 0-0 c6 8 e4 e5 9 h3 ed 10 Nd4 Nb6 11 b3 Re8!? (ECO gives 11...d5 12 ed cd 13 c5 Nbd7 14 Ba3 Ne5 15 Ndb5 Nc6 16 Nd6 Be6 17 Nb7 +=) 12 Ba3 Qc7 13 Qd2 (12 Rc1 is safer) Be6 14 f4 ? Bc4! 15 bc4 Nc4 16 Qc1 Qb6 17 Ne2 Na3 18 Qa3 Ne4 19 Rfd1 Ng3 20 Qg3 Re2 21 Qd3 Rae8?! (Bd4+ 22 Qd4 Re1+)22 Rab1?? (22 Rac1) Bd4+ 23 Kh2 (22 Qd4 Re1+ Δ Qd4, Rb1) Rb2 and 0-1.

Dusan Djuric 1944 vs. Todd Thomas 2234: 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 Nf3 f5 4 d3 (4 d4!? Δ e4 5 Nd2 Nd4 6 Nde4) Nf6 5 e4 d6 6 Be2 Be7 7 Bg5 0-0 8 Qd2 a6 9 h3 Qe8 10 Nd5 Nd5 11 cd5 Bg5 12 Qg5 Nd4 13 Nd4 ed4 14 f3 Bd7 15 0-0 f4 16 Kh2 Rf6 17 Rg1 Qf7 18 g4 fg 19 Rg3 Rg6 20 Qh4 Rg3 21 Qg3 Rf8 22 Rc1 Be8 23 Rg1 Qf6 24 Rf1 Bh5 25 Rf2 c6 26 dc bc 27 Bd1 c5 28 Bb3+ Bf7 29 Bf7+ Rf7 30 Qg4 Qf4+ 31 Qf4 Rf4 32 Kg3 g5 33 Rc2 Rf6 34 Rc4 Rf7 35 b4 Rc7 36 Kg4 h6 37 e5 de 38 Rc5 Re7 39 Kf5 Rf7+ 40 Kg4 Re7 41 Rc6 Rb7 42 a3 a5 43 Kf5? (43 ba Rb3 44 a6 Ra3 45 Ke5 +-) ab 44 ab Rb4 45 Rh6 Rb3 46 Ke4 Kf7 1/2-1/2.

Jesse Roehling 1651 vs. Brian Oarr 1966: 1 e4 Nc6 2 Nf3 d5 3 ed Qd5 4 d4 Bg4 5 Nc3 Qh5 6 Be2 0-0-0 7 Be3 e6 8 Ne4 Qd5 9 Neg5 Nh6 10 h3 Bf3 11 Bf3 Qb5 12 c3 (The less said about White's opening play, the better. Now the fun begins.) Nd4! 13 cd4 Bb4+ 14 Bd2 Rd4 15 Ne4 Rhd8 16 Qe2 Bd2+ 17 Nd2 Qe2+ 18 Be2 Rd2 19 b3 Nf5 20 Bc4 c6 21 a4 R8d4 22 Rc1 Nd6 23 Be2 Rb2 24 Bd1 Rdd2 25 0-0 Ne4 26 Bf3 Nf2 and 0-1 in 23.

J.M. Hammond 1627 vs. T. Covey 1468 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 Ne5 d6 4 Nf7!? (The Cochrane Gambit, revived by Bronstein in modern times) Kf7 5 d4 g6 (Ne4? 6 Qh5+) 6 Nc3 Kg7?! (Bg7 7 Bc4+ Be6=) 7 Bg5 Be7 8 Qd2 Be6 9 d5 Bd7 10 h4 c6 11 e5!? Nd5? (de 12 d6 Bf8 13 Bh6+ Kf7) 12 Bh6+ Kf7 13 Nd5 cd5 14 Qd5+ Be6 15 Qf3+ Ke8 16 0-0-0 Qb6 17 ed Bd6 18 Qf6 Nd7 19 Qh8+ Nf8 20 Bf8 Bf8 21 Qe5 Kf7 22 h5 Ba2 23 hg+ Qg6 24 Rd7+ Kg8 25 Qg3 Bh6+?? 26 Rh6 1-0.

--SKA & Dusan Djuric

Region IV

David Meier of El Paso won the **TCA Senior Championship** held March 19-20 at the Holiday Inn in Midland. Kenneth Saunders of Abilene and Robert Wright of Houston tied for second.

That same weekend in Midland, the **Texas Junior Championship** saw a tie for first between Steve Hoover and Jim Edmund, both of Midland, and David Peterson of Austin. The grade prizes were as follows:

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| 6th & under | David Peterson, Austin |
| 7th | David McGary, Midland |
| 9th | Steve Hoover & Jim Edmund, Midland |
| 10th | James Scales, Altus, OK |
| 11th | Reagan Whiting, Midland |

The **Permian Basin Spring Open** (concurrent with the above two events) ended in a tie for first between Young Paul Yee of Las Cruces, NM and Len Meinecke of Lubbock (who also took first Class B.) The A prize was split by Raymond Smith of San Antonio and Ricardo Bogaert of Las Cruces, NM. Douglas Terrell of Denton took the Below 1600 prize.

Anthony Peterson of Austin won the **West Texas Game/30**, held March 18 in Midland. Eric Bergman took 2nd place. Robert Montgomery of Midland and Len Meinecke of Lubbock tied for the Below 1800 prize. Howard Roudebush of Lubbock won the Below 1500 prize.

Region VII

Tim Richardson of Austin, editor of Quorum Report (a roundup of state politics), has taken the initiative to bring chess to the **Texas Youth Commission**. He has taught a series of classes since last September at the Turman House in Austin, a halfway house for juvenile offenders. 33 showed up at the first meeting, which narrowed down to eight by the fifth class. Of these, four won trophies at the Austin Scholastic Championship in December--after just four months of playing! Contact Tim at P.O. Box 2675, Austin, TX 78768, (512) 474-8413.

In San Antonio, Robert Barber won two consecutive club tournaments in March, both with perfect 3-0 scores. Trailing with 2-1 were Mike Moore and Brian Oarr in the first event, and Frank LaCava and Michael McAfee in the second.

FLASH! Bill Snead reports that he just finished co-directing the **National High School Championship** in Albuquerque, NM. There was a 9-way tie for first at 6-1, including Andy Fisher (1957) of Santa Fe, NM and Oliver Tai (2093 at age 11!) of Memphis, TN. David Peterson (1452) of Austin scored one out of five, including a first-round draw with an 1828 player, before withdrawing. His biggest boost was an extensive TV interview by a local station.

SPOTLIGHT: Jim Gallagher

Jim Gallagher, Jr. hails from Syracuse, NY, Memphis, Los Angeles... and now San Antonio. He has sent in two exciting examples of his play in the Modern Benoni Defense (A69 in your ECO), the first being a brilliancy against Missouri's junior contender Doug Eckert (now rated 2382):

Doug Eckert 1961 vs. Jim Gallagher 2073 (Missouri Team Championship, 1982): 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 c5 4 d5 ed 5 cd d6 6 Nc3 g6 7 e4 Bg7 8 Be2 0-0 9 Nd2 (avoids the ...Bg4 line) Re8 10 0-0 Na6 11 f4 Rb8 12 Kh1 (12 Rb1 Bd7 13 e5! += ECO) Nc7 13 a4 b6 14 Ra3 Qe7 15 e5!? de 16 Nc4 Nfd5! 17 Nd5 Nd5 18 Qd5 ef (White is in a quandary! 1f 9 Bf3 Ba6! 20 Bf4 Rbd8 21 Re3 Qf8 he loses back the piece, 2 P's down,) 19 Bd3? Bb7 20 Qd6 Qg5 21 Rg1 Qg2+! 0-1

Igor Shtern 2405 vs. Jim Gallagher 2239 (West Texas Open, 1987): (First 13 moves same as above.) 14 Bf3 a6 (Ba6 15 Re1 Nfd7 = but Jim wanted more...) 15 Nc4 b5 16 ab ab 17 Na5?! (Better is 17 Nd6 Qd6 18 e5 Qd8 19 ef6 Bf6 20 d6 Ne6 21 Nd5 +=) Bd7 18 e5!? de 19 d6 (Or 19 fe Re5 20 Bf4 Rf5! when White has no clear comp--but not 20...Re8? 21 d6 Ne6 22 Nc6!) e4!! 20 dc7 Qd7 21 Be2 c4 (e3!?) 22 f5? (22 Be3 b4 23 Nb1 Ra8 Nb3 +=) e3 23 fg hg 24 Nd5 Nd5 25 Qd5 Be6 26 Qf3 Rbd8 27 Rd1 Rd1 28 Bd1 Bd5? (c3! wins in all variations: 29 Qe2! Ra8 30 Nb3 Ra1 31 Na1 Qa5 (or Qa7) 32 Nb3 Bb3 33 Bb3 Qa1 -+ is one poignant example. 30 Qb5 cb 31 Bb2 Bb2 32 Qb2 Ra5 is White's best try--a clear pawn down ending.) 29 Qd5 e2 30 Be2 Re2 31 Bd2 Bb2 32 Rf1 c3 33 Qa8+ Kh7 34 Bg5 c2 35 Nb3 Qc4 36 Qf3 f5 37 h3 Be5 38 Bc1 Bb8 39 Nd4 Be4 40 Nf5! Qc7 41 Ng3! Rd4 (Qg3?? 42 Qf7+ and mate in 2.) 42 Qf8 Rd1 43 Qh6+ Kg8 44 Qf8+ Kh7 45 Bb2 g5?? (Rf1+ 46 Nf1 g5 47 Qf5+ Kh6 48 Qe6+ Kh7 49 Qe3 +-) 46 Qh8+ 1-0 because Kg6 47 Qh5 is mate.

What is strange about the above games is that they both diverge from theory at 12 Kh1, which is covered neither in Batsford nor ECO. It looks like an obvious finesse here as much as in the Schevvingingen Sicilian, lest Black get a combo based on ...Qb6+ to enforce ...c4 or...b5. The blitz attack against the Benoni (f4, covered in ECO A69) is not fashionable among grandmasters, if Informant is any indication

Suppressed Scores of the Masters

This entry is from the 1987 Southwest Open:

Jim Gallagher (2180) vs. John Dunning (2386): 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 Ne7 5 Nf3 c5 6 a3 Bc3+ 7 bc3 Bd7 8 a4 Nbc6 9 Bd3 Qa5 10 Qd2 c4 11 Bf1!? (11 Be2 = ECO) 0-0-0 12 g3 f6 13 Bg2 h5 14 Ba3 Nf5 15 ef gf 16 h4 Qc7 17 Bh3 Rhg8 18 Rg1 Rg6 19 Kf1 e5 20 de Ng3+?? 21 Rg3 Bh3+ 22 Rh3 Ne5 23 Qf4 Qg7 24 Rg3 Ng4 25 Re1 1-0. I can't blame either player for stashing this one away.

--SKA

Letters

TCA MEMBERSHIP IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

We need to continue to push TCA membership by requiring it in regional and statewide events. Both Region I Director Pat Ready and Steve Welborn of Beaumont are to be congratulated for their efforts. Other TCA regional directors should follow their lead and organize Regional Championships requiring TCA membership within THIS YEAR. Let's work together to get our membership over the 1000 mark! *[That's an optimal baseline for publication--even when it means printing a lot of "charity" copies to prime the pump, as we have been doing.--Ed.]*

Ken Hackney

CHESS & MATHEMATICS-THE RIGHT COMBINATION

[This letter went out at the World Chess Festival in New Brunswick, and is sufficiently inspiring to merit publication. Bilingual education in Texas may not compare with that in Quebec, but the importance of chess in Hispanic culture (Ruy Lopez, Capablanca, etc.) is a great focal point for generating student interest.--Ed.]

The game of chess is being used as part of the mathematics program in a growing number of Canadian schools. Over 40,000 7 year-olds will be learning the moves of the game within regular school hours this year.

The mathematics program which has incorporated chess is called "Defi Mathematique". It is being used in French language schools in Quebec, New Brunswick, Ontario and Saskatchewan. As a matter of fact, in New Brunswick, Defi Mathematique is now the only recognized mathematics program, which means every single French speaking 7 year old in the province will be learning how to play chess this year.

This program is growing rapidly. Book publishers from France are expected to bring it to that country within a couple of years, and an English version is expected to be available within the same time frame.

The program is for grades 1-6 (6-11 year olds), and chess will be an important element for grades 2-6.

Our organization, ASSOCIATION ECHECS ET MATHS, offers a complementary program to what is happening in the schools. We have recently expanded into the Ontario area, although we are based in Montreal. There are close to 100 people teaching chess in Quebec as a part time or full time job. (Information: AE&M, 1500 Stanley #317, Montreal, Quebec H3A 1R3, CANADA.)

Larry Bevand

Business Manager

Association Echecs et Maths

Tournament Calendar

May 14

A.C.E. May Sectional. 3-SS, 25/1, 1701 Palo Duro Rd., Austin, TX \$\$ (\$45 based on 8/section): 30-15 each 8-man section. EF: \$12 if rec'd by 5/10 (\$9 ACE members), \$17 at site (\$14 ACE members)--TCA required. Reg. 8:30-9 am, Rds. 9-12-7. Ent: A.C 7210 Teaberry Dr., Austrin, TX 78745, (512) 443-1160 or 465-3052. NS, NC,W.

San Jac May Swiss. 3-SS, 30/1, San Jacinto College, Rm. 103 Gym, 8060 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena, TX 77505. EF: \$5. Trophies. Peg. 9:30-10 a.m., Rds. 10-1-4. (713) 481-1878. NS. NC. W.

May 14-15

15th Annual Texoma Open. 5-SS, 45/2, Wichita Falls Activities Center, 10th & Indiana Ave., Wichita Falls, TX. EF: \$35 by 5/13, \$40 at site. \$\$ (1000 b/45): 200-100; Class (b/4 ea.):A, B, C, D ea. \$75 1st, E-Unr 50. Reg. 8-9:15 am, Rds. 9:30-2-7, 8:30-1:30. Ent: Charles E. Davis, Suite 306-1st National Bldg., Wichita Falls, TX 76301, (817) 723-6031 or 692-4673. Hotel: \$25/nite (flat rate), (817) 723-4121. NS, NC, W.

May 15

Lake Houston YMCA CC May Swiss. 3-SS, 30/1, SD/30, Lake Houston YMCA, 3037 Woodland Hills Dr., Kingwood, TX 77339. EF: \$10. \$\$ per entries. Reg. 11 a.m.-12:15, Rds. 12:30-3:30-6:30. (713) 360-1031. NS. NC. W.

May 28-30

Texas State Championship and Amateur Championship. See ad on page 19.

June 12, 19, 26 - July 10

A.C.E. Micro Swiss XXXVI. 4-SS, 35/90, 15/30, 1701 Palo Duro Rd., Austin, TX.

EF: \$17, A.C.E. membs. \$12. \$\$ per entries. Reg. 6:30-7:30 p.m., Rds. 7:30 each Sun. NS. NC. W.

June 17

TCA Region IV Game/30. 5-SS, game/30, Holiday Inn T-Dome, 3904 W. Wall, Midland, TX 79703, (915) 694-7774. EF: \$15, TCA req. \$\$ 50-25, trophies 1st, A, B, C, D-below (trophies to Region IV residents only.) Reg. 4:30-5:20 pm, Rds. 5:30-6:40-7:50-9:00-10:10, half pt. bye avail. any 2 rds. Info: (915) 699-4239. NS, NC, W.

June 18-19

TCA Region IV Championship. 5-SS, 50/2, 30/1, Holiday Inn T-Dome, 3904 W. Wall, Midland, TX 79703, (915) 694-7774. EF: \$20, TCA req. \$\$ 50-25, trophies 1st, A, B, C, D-below (trophies to Region IV residents only.) Reg. 8:15-9 am, Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 8:30-1:30. Info: Robert Montgomery, 4908 Sunshine Parkway, Midland, TX 79707, (915) 699-4239. NS, NC, W.

June 25-26

Alamo Open. 4-SS, 45/2, 25/1, USO Ballroom, 410 S. Alamo (Hemisfair Plaza), San Antonio, TX (512) 227-9373. EF: \$20 if rec'd by 6/23, \$25 at site. \$\$ (625 b/40), 2 sections: OPEN: (325 b/20)150-100, \$75 under 2000. UNDER 1800 (300 b/20): B/C and D/E/Unr each 75-25. Reg. 9-10 am, Rds. 10:30-4:30, 9:30-3. Ent: San Antonio Chess Club, P.O. Box 34416, San Antonio, TX 78265, (512) 259-9974. LS, NC, W.

July 2-4

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July 23-24

15th Annual Tall-In-Texas Open. 5-SS, 45/2, 25/1, La Paloma Inn, 2915 I-40 E, Amarillo, TX 79104, (806) 372-8101. EF: \$25 if rec'd by 7/20, \$30 at site. \$\$ 250-125; A, B, C, D/E, Unr. each \$125. Reg. 8-9 am, Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 9-2. Ent: Amarillo Chess Club, 2111 Travis, Amarillo, TX 79109, (806) 372-4387 or 358-8928. NS, W.

Aug. 19

Permian Basin Game/30. 5-SS, game/30, Holiday Inn T-Dome, 3904 W. Wall, Midland, TX 79703, (915) 694-7774. EF: \$15, \$2 jr. \$\$\$ 50-25, trophies 1st, A, B, C, D-below. Reg. 4:30-5:20 pm, Rds. 5:30-6:40-7:50-9-10:10. Info: Robert Montgomery, 4908 Sunshine Parkway, Midland, TX 79707, (915) 699-4239. NS, NC, W.

Aug. 20-21

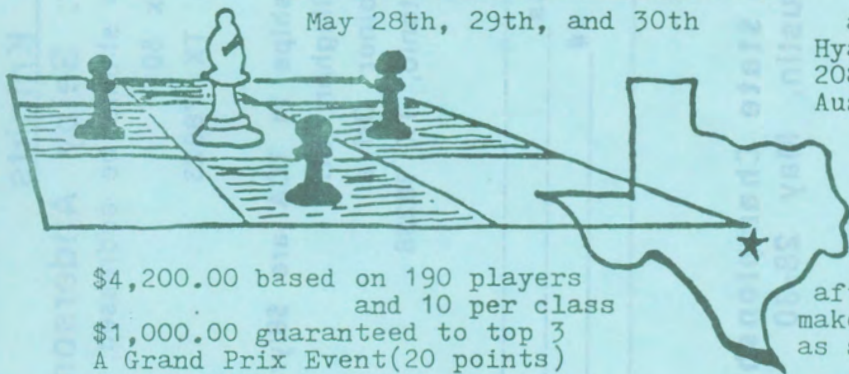
Midland Summer Open. 5-SS, 50/2, 30/1, Holiday Inn T-Dome, 3904 W. Wall, Midland, TX 79703, (915) 694-7774. EF: \$25, \$2 jr. Grand Prix. \$\$\$ 250 +trophy; \$60 1st A, B, under 1600; trophies A, B, C, D-below. Reg. 8-9 am, Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 8:30-1:30. Ent: Robert Montgomery, 4908 Sunshine Parkway, Midland, TX 79707, (915) 699-4239. NS, NC, W.

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