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## 15th annual Texas Grade & Collegiate Championships

Two hundred thirty-six players competed in the Texas Grade and Collegiate Championships, held Oct. 29-30 in Houston and organized by the Dallas Chess Club. Players who tied are considered grade co-champions.

K	Rithik Polavaram
1	Atreya Vaidya
	Aryaman Bansal
2	Jason Metpally
3	Jacob Buerger
4	David Li
5	Khoa Minh Nguyen
6	Palaniappan Arunachalam
7	Sanjay Annigeri
8	Alexander Jiang
	Austin Jiang
	Daniel Ng
9	Jarod Pamatmat
10	Derek Chang
11	Jason Jia
12	Zhou Fang
College	Axel Bachmann
	Timur Gareyev

## Austin dominates in 2<sup>nd</sup> annual shootout with San Antonio

Forty players (20 representing Austin and 20 representing San Antonio) traveled to San Marcos on Sunday, Feb. 12 for the second annual Austin-San Antonio Shootout. This year's event was held at Wake The Dead Coffee House, in the scenic hills of western San Marcos. Space was tight as a ship's quarters, but the price was right. (The playing rooms were free of charge, in exchange for everyone ordering something.)

The teams were evenly matched this year, with average ratings of 1956 (Austin) and 1955 (San Antonio). The Austin team was led by captain Josh Newsham, and San Antonio was led by team captain Gregg Stanley.

Austin took a 3 point lead after the first round, 11 ½ to 8 ½. The second round also went to Austin, 12-7. For results by player, please visit USCF's website for the tournament rating report.

A full report will appear in the Spring issue of *Texas Knights*.

## TCA Treasurer's Report –

Prepared by Barbara Swafford for January 15, 2012

### Income

September memberships	\$ 60.00
October memberships	7.50
November memberships	40.00
December memberships	25.00
January memberships (so far)	92.50
2011 SW Open memberships	455.00
2011 Texas State Grade and membership	<u>294.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$974.00</b>

### Expenses

<i>Texas Knights</i> - Fall 2011	900.00
2012 Texas State Scholastic tournament	5,615.41
Bob Shao - 2011 Denker representative	<u>300.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$6,815.41</b>

### January 15, 2012

<b>WF checking account balance</b>	<b>\$6,674.33</b>
<b>BOA checking account balance</b>	<b>\$4,038.78</b>

## Greg Wren (1936-2011)

Gregory Secord Wren, a longtime chess organizer in San Antonio and a veteran Navy pilot who flew missions in Vietnam, passed away Christmas morning. He was born June 2, 1936 in Scranton, Pa, coming to San Antonio when his father took a teaching post at Our Lady of the Lake University. He attended Central Catholic High School and graduated from St. Mary's University with a B.A. in psychology before joining the Navy in 1957. He was an advisor training South Vietnamese pilots in the 1960s, and flew many carrier sorties in A-6 and A-7 jets.

He was a highly decorated officer, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross four times. He went on to teach strategic defense at NATO's Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, based at Oberammergau in the Bavarian Alps. He served as a flight instructor at his final duty station, Kingsville Naval Air Station.

On retirement after 20 years with the rank of Commander, he became active in the San Antonio Chess Club, where he served as secretary and published the newsletter. He served in the Texas Chess Association as secretary (1990-91) and treasurer (1996-99). As a Senior TD he directed as well as competed in many local tournaments for over twenty years following his retirement. His kindness and good humor, and his industry on behalf of the chess community, endeared him to many.

He had a genius for electronics, and was a licensed ham radio operator. He told me that he once corrected a

test question on an electronics exam when he was attending Naval Postgraduate School in Monterrey in the 60s.

It was during that period that he bought an old Chevy prison bus (dubbed the Green Goose) and fitted it out as a camper to take to the 1964 U.S. Open in Portland, Ore. When the U.S. Open returned there in 1987, he made a much longer road trip with me along in a Dodge camper.

Greg had eclectic tastes, both in music (modern jazz, Russian classical, hard rock), and in his circle of friends, which included artists as well as chess players. One friend from Monterrey, who made the trip to Portland with him, later went to Canada to avoid the Vietnam draft. Greg maintained a correspondence with him while on carrier duty. He observed that he was the only one on that huge ship who received *The Village Voice*.

It is almost a certainty that without Greg's support, I would not have been able to accomplish what I did in putting out *Texas Knights* over the past 24 years. His hospitality extended to several others who were finding their bearings as 20-somethings.

His best story from the war years was about meeting the actor John Wayne over the chess board while on carrier duty (see below).

Greg was buried with military honors at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. — Selby Anderson

Greg wrote the following article for *Texas Knights*, which was published in the March-April 1991 issue.

## The Duke and Me

As I write, the war is going on in the Persian Gulf. During the Vietnam war, I was a U.S. Navy pilot flying A-7 jets from the USS Midway (now in the Persian Gulf.) In 1971 we were visited by John Wayne on a USO morale trip for the troops. He helped my morale by losing to me at chess by the score of 0-3.

The Midway carries over 4,000 officers and enlisted men, and its wardroom for officers' mess is about as large as an average Texas barn (40' x 40') but with a seven foot ceiling. Officers' meals were being picked up buffet style, with no regular meal hours as we were on combat scheduling during a heavy-duty part of the war.

One evening during the action I walked in and there was the Duke — John Wayne — playing chess with Jesse, the aviation fuels officer. Naturally there was a group of spectators, and I stopped to watch. In a minute or two Jesse resigned, and spying me said to the Duke, "Now, here's the man you ought to play!"

Jesse got up and I sat down. Without saying a word the Duke and I set up the pieces. Wayne had White, and he immediately played 1.e4. He didn't look at me, say

hello, offer to shake hands or anything. I was somewhat awed by playing this living legend, but I was also miffed by his ignoring me personally. Maybe that's what it took for me to concentrate on winning. Well, I don't have the game score to prove it (none was kept), and we didn't use a clock. But he lost.

As he started to set up the pieces again I said, "By the way, my name is Greg Wren," looking at him while offering my hand. He glanced up and said, "Oh, okay," shook my hand and we played another game (which he also lost.) After losing the second game he got up and headed for the door. As he left, he said: "I enjoyed it." Halfway through the door he turned around, looked at me and added: "The hell I did!" (just like in the movies.)

The next morning my squadron duty officer called me and said: "I just got a call from the ship's executive officer, who says that John Wayne wants to play you another chess game before he goes on his tour of the ship." He told me the ship's Exec was upset because Wayne's tour was being delayed: "Get your ass down to the wardroom now!" I did.

The Duke was waiting for me with the board set up, and was quite friendly. We played one more game, which he might have won on about move 20. But he missed a simple move which allowed me to win. We parted amicably.

The final score: John Wayne 0, Greg Wren 3.



# Texas HS Champion Bob Shao reports on the 2011 Denker

The 2011 Denker Tournament of High School Champions, held Jul. 30-Aug. 2 in Orlando, Fla., was probably my most frustrating tournament in recent memory. I didn't have giant expectations, simply hoping to improve on last year's score of 4/6. With 13 masters within less than 100 points of each other, the tournament was wide open, and I knew that if I played well I would have a legitimate chance of winning the championship.

It turned out I did have a chance, but I simply couldn't capitalize in the last round, which was reminiscent of my entire tournament of missed opportunities. What made the tournament so frustrating was that I managed to play good chess throughout the majority of my games but stumbled at key stages and couldn't convert my advantage in several games. Take a look at my second round horror against Graham Horobetz (2125-Tennessee):



Here, I'm winning easily with a simple move like Kh2 with the idea of e6, against which Black is completely helpless. However, in serious time trouble (<2 minutes) I rushed

with e6?? and after Bb5 with an attack on one rook and a discovery on the other, I was forced to give up my e-pawn with Rf8+, allowing Black tremendous counterplay in the center and eventually leaving me groveling for a draw.

My best game in the tournament was probably in round five:

## Queen's Gambit D26

Ryan J. Moon 2220

Bob Shao 2255

## Denker HS Tournament (5)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Bxc4 c5 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.0-0 cxd4 8.exd4 Be7 9.Be3 0-0 10.Qe2 Nb4 11.Rfd1 b6 12. Rac1 Bb7 13.Ne5 Rc8 14.a3 Nbd5 15.Ba6 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Qd5 17.Bxb7 Qxb7 18.a4 Bd6 19.c4 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Nd7 21.Qb2 Qc7 22.Qb5 Rfd8 23.Bg5 f6 24.exf6 Nxf6 25.Rxd8+ Qxd8 26.Qe5 Kf7 27.Re1 Qe7 28.Qd4 Rc5 29.Bf4 Qd7 30.Qxd7+ Nxd7 31.Rd1 Ke8 32.Be3 Rxc4 33.a5 bxa5 34.Bxa7 a4 35.Kf1 Nf6 36.Ke2 Nd5 37.Kd3 Rc3+ 38. Kd2 Rc6 39.Bd4 Kf7 ... and eventually I converted this pawn up endgame in time trouble. 0-1

Going into the last round, I was a point behind the leader, Michael Vilenchuk from Ohio. However, I had the "advantage" of playing with white and knew that a win would guarantee a tie for first.

It was not meant to be, however. Up to this point, however, I had drawn both games with White and won all three of my games with Black! Unfortunately, this pattern continued on through the last round. Again, I had an opportunity, but failed to take advantage. At the crucial moment, I rejected a queen trade and had a hallucination in this position:



Here, Qxb6 cxb6 Rc7 would give a moderate, yet stable advantage for White. However, I hallucinated that my a2 pawn would be hanging in the complications, confusing calculating the lines where he recaptures my queen with the a-pawn (which is simply bad) instead of the c-pawn. Instead, I retreated my queen with Qc2? and the opportunity was gone along with any semblance of an advantage.

In conclusion, I simply didn't take advantage of my many opportunities that I created in order to be able to win the tournament. Despite getting good positions, I didn't have enough power to break through and pull out results in key games. In the end, I finished with 4.5/6, in a tie for 3<sup>rd</sup> place and improved on last year's performance. Looking back, it was not a bad tournament by any means, but it left me wondering what could have been. Still, overall, the tournament was once again a very enjoyable experience. Through this tournament, I have met and become friends with players across this country, having a wonderful time playing against some of the top high school players around the nation and having the privilege to representing Texas.

The Denker is one of the toughest tournaments I've ever played in the last two years, as I found out that many of the players are underrated

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# Onischuk wins UTD Grandmaster Invitational

## Holt earns second GM norm

by James Stallings

At the University of Texas at Dallas Invitational (December 15-20), GM Alexander Onischuk took clear first, but it was IM Conrad Holt's late surge that turned heads. Despite a slow start, (two losses), IM Conrad Holt finished stronger than anyone else with five wins and two draws. He even defeated tournament co-leader GM Cristian Chirila. His six points gave him his second grandmaster norm!



IM Conrad Holt

*French Tarrasch C03*

Ioan Chirila 2523

Conrad Holt 2461

*UTD Invitational 2011 (9)*

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Be7  
4.Bd3 c5 5.c3 [5.dxc5] 5...cxd4  
6.cxd4 Nc6 7.Ngf3 dxe4 8.Nxe4  
Nf6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Be3 Nd5 11.  
Rc1 Qb6 12.Qe2 Rd8 13.Nc5  
Bd7 14.a3 Be8 15.b4 a6 16.Bb1  
Bf6 17.Rfd1 g6 18.h4 Nce7



19.Bg5 a5 20.Bxf6 Nxf6 21.bxa5  
Rxa5 22.Ne5 Ra7 23.Qe3 [23.  
Qf3 Ned5 24.g4 Qd6 25.g5 Nh5  
26.Be4 b6] 23...Rda8 24.Qg5  
Ned5 25.Rd3 Qd8 26.Rg3  
[26.Rf3 b6 27.Ne4 Kg7] 26...b6  
27.Ne4 Nxe4 28.Qxd8 Rxd8  
29.Bxe4 Nf6 30.Bc6 Rxd4



31.Rf3? [31.Bxe8 Nxe8 32.Rc8  
Kf8 33.Rgc3] 31...Kg7 32.Bxe8  
Nxe8 33.g3 Rd5 34.Nc6 Rc7  
35.Rfc3 Nd6 36.Nb4 Rxc3 37.  
Rxc3 Rd2 38.Rb3 Nc4 39.Rc3  
Nd6 40.Rb3 f5 41.Nd3 Kf6 42.f4  
Nc4 43.Rc3 [43.a4 Rc2 44.Rb5  
Rc3 45.Ne5 Rxc3+ 46.Kf2 Rc3  
47.Nd7+ Kf7 48.Nxb6 Nxb6  
49.Rxb6 Rc4+] 43...b5 44.a4  
bxa4 45.Rxc4 Rxd3 46.Kg2 a3

47.Rc7 h6 48.Ra7 g5 49.h5  
Rd2+ 0-1

IM Milos Pavlovic was in the same situation needing to score six points for a GM norm with black and win against the other tournament co-leader, GM Alexander Onischuk. Alas, in this scenario the #1 seed would not be denied. Onischuk won the first place tournament title and trophy outright after winning a time scramble knight and pawn endgame.

*Gruenfeld Defense D98*

Alexander Onischuk 2674

Milos Pavlovic 2486

*UTD Invitational 2011 (9)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7  
4.Nc3 d5 5.Qb3 dxc4 6.Qxc4  
0-0 7.e4 Bg4 8.Be3 Nfd7 9.Rd1  
Nc6 10.Qb3 e5 11.dxe5 Ncxe5  
12.Be2 Nxf3+ 13.Bxf3 Be6 14.  
Qc2 c6 15.0-0 Qa5 16.Be2 Nb6  
17.Bd4 Rad8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.  
Rd2 Bc4 20.Rfd1 Rxd2 21.Qxd2  
Bxe2 22.Qxe2 Qc5 23.Qd3 Re8  
24.Qd4+ Qxd4 25.Rxd4 f5 26.f3  
fxe4 27.Nxe4 Nd5 28.Kf2 Re7  
29.b4 a6 30.a4 h6 31.h4 Kf7  
32.Nc5 Kf6 33.a5 g5 34.Rg4 Kf5



35.Re4 Kf6 36.hxg5+ hxg5 37.  
Rxe7 Kxe7 38.Nxb7 Nxb4 39.

Ke3 Nc2+ 40.Ke4 Ke6 41.g3 Nb4 42.Kd4 Nc2+ 43.Kd3 Ne1+ 44.Ke4 Nc2 45.f4 gxf4 46.gxf4 Nb4 47.f5+ Kf6 48.Nc5 Ke7 49.Ke5 Kf7 50.Ne4 Nd5 51.f6 Ne3 52.Ng5+ Kg6 53.f7 Kg7 54.Kd6 Kf8 55.Ke6 1-0

Onischuk (7-2) finished 1st with 20 points: Chirila and Holt (6-3) tied for 2nd and 3rd with 17 points. GM Sadorra, GM Yotov, and IM Pavlovic (5-4) would tie for 4th-6th with 14 points.

It was one of the more exciting December UTD Invationals we have had in recent years. The tournament began in exciting fashion at the opening ceremony when GM Onischuk and GM Sadorra competed in two 2-minute blitz games for the Richardson Cup. For the first time ever, each one a game, and we had an Armageddon situation in which Onischuk as white had to win. He did. All in all, it was great preparation for next week's Pan-American Intercollegiate. The "Pan-Am's" is one of oldest tournaments in the United States, running since 1946.

*Ruy Lopez C78*

Ioan Chirila 2523

Alexander Onischuk 2674

*UTD Invitational 2011 (7)*

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Bb7 7.Re1 Bc5 8.c3 d6 9.h3 h6 10.d3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Bb6 12.Nf1 Na5 13.Bc2 c5 14.Ng3 Nc6 15.Nh2 Ne7 16.Qf3 Nh7 17.Qh5 Nf6 18.Qf3 Nh7 19.Qh5 Nf6 20.Qe2 Nh7 21.Ng4 Kh8 22.a4 Qd7 23.Be3 Rac8 24.b4 Qc7 25.axb5 axb5 26.Bb3 [26.bxc5 dxc5 27.Reb1 Bc6 28.Bb3±] 26...cxb4 27.cxb4 Bxe3 28.Qxe3 Qd7 [28...Nc6 29.Rec1 Qd7=] 29.d4 exd4 [29...f5 30.exf5 h5 31.f6 gxf6 32.Nh6±] 30.Qxd4 f6 31.Nh5 Qc6 32.Nf4 Ng5



33.Bd5! Qd7 [33...Nxd5 34.Ng6+ Kg8 35.exd5 Qc4 36.Qa7 Rf7 37.Ne7++-] 34.Bxb7 Rc4 [34...Qxb7 35.Ra7 Nc6 36.Ng6+-] 35.Qe3! [35.Qb6] 35...Rxb4 36.Ra7 Ra4 37.Ba6 1-0

*King's Indian Saemisch E60*

Salvius Bercys 2464

Julio Sadorra 2506

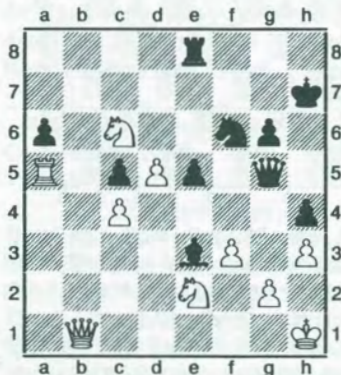
*UTD Invitational 2011 (7)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3 Nc6 4.d5 Nb4 5.e4 e5 6.a3 Na6 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Be3 c5 9.Bd3 d6 10.Nge2 Nc7 11.b4 b6 12.Qd2 h5 13.Bc2 Bd7 14.Ba4 Bxa4 15.Nxa4 0-0 16.Nac3 Nd7 17.Nc1 f5 18.Nd3 Ne8 19.a4 cxb4 20.Nxb4 Nc5 21.Nc6 Qh4+ 22.Bf2 Qf6 23.Rb1 Kh7 24.0-0 Bh6 25.Qc2 Rf7



26.a5 bxa5 27.Rb5 h4 28.h3 Ng7 29.Re1 Re8 30.Rxa5 Nh5

31.Rea1 a6 32.Bxc5 dxc5 33.Ne2 [33.Qf2 Bf4 34.exf5 gxf5 35.Rxa6 e4 36.Ne2±] 33...Be3+ 34.Kh1 Qg5 35.Qd3 [35.Rxa6 Ng3+ 36.Nxg3 Qxg3 37.Ra7 Rxa7 38.Rxa7+ Kh6 39.Qb1 fxe4 40.fxe4 Bf4 41.Qg1 Rf8 42.Ra1 Be3 43.Qh2 Qf2 44.Qxe5 Qf1+=] 35...Rb7 36.Rb1 Rxb1+ 37.Qxb1 fxe4 38.Qxe4 Nf6 39.Qb1



39...e4 40.f4? [40.Qf1 exf3 41.Qxf3±] 40...Bxf4 41.Rxa6 Nh5! 42.Ra7+ [42.Ra3 e3 and White must still play g4 as in the game] 42...Kh6 43.g4 [43.Ra2 Ng3+ 44.Nxg3 Qxg3 45.Qg1 e3 46.Re2 Re4 47.d6 Rxc4 Δ48.d7 Rc1+] 43...hxg3 44.Kg2 [44.Qf1 Be3 (44...Bd6 45.Rf7 Qd2 46.Na7 Qd3+) 45.Ra3 Nf4 46.Nxf4 Qxf4 47.Qxf4+ Bxf4+] 44...Bd6 45.Qc2 0-1

*Sicilian Najdorf B92*

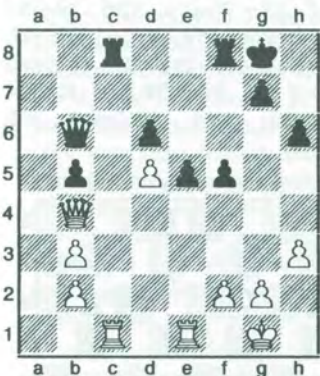
Eric Hansen 2447

Puchen Wang 2441

*UTD Invitational 2011 (7)*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nb3 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Be6 10.Bf3 Nbd7 11.Nd2 Rc8 12.Nf1 b5 13.Ne3 Nb6 14.a4 b4 15.Ncd5 Nfxd5 16.exd5 Bd7 17.a5 Na4 18.Be2 Rc5 19.Nc4 Qc7 20.Ra2 Bb5 21.Nb6 Nxb6 22.axb6 Qb7 23.Bf3 Bd8 24.Bd2 Rc4 25.Be2 Rc5 26.Bf3 Rc4

27.Be2 Rc5 28.Bf3 b3 29.cxb3  
Bxb6 30.Bb4 Rcc8 31.Qd2 Bc5  
32.Raa1 Bxb4 33.Qxb4 Qb6  
34.Rac1 f5 35.Be2 h6 36.Bxb5  
axb5 37.h3



37...e4 38.Rc4 Rc5 39.Rxc5  
dxc5 40.Qc3 Qd6 41.Qd2 Kh8  
42.Rc1 Rc8 43.b4 c4 44.b3 c3  
45.Rxc3 Rxc3 46.Qxc3 Qxd5  
47.Qc5 Qd7 48.Qe5 Kh7 49.Kh2  
Kg6 50.Kg1 Kf7 51.Kh2 Kg6  
52.Kg1 Kf7 53.Kh2 h5 54.Kg1  
g6 55.Kh2 h4 56.Qh8 Qd6+ 57.  
Kg1 Qf6 58.Qb8 Qc6 59.Qf4 Qf6  
60.Qb8 Qa1+ 61.Kh2 Qd4 62.  
Qf4 Qd8 63.Qe5 Qd7 64.Kg1 g5  
65.Qh8 Qd1+ 66.Kh2 Qd6+ 67.  
Kg1 Qd1+ 68.Kh2 Qd6+ 69. Kg1



69...Qe7 70.Qh7+ Kf6 71.Qh8+  
Kf7 72.Qh7+ Kf6 73.Qh8+ Ke6  
74.Qg8+ Kf6  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

*Nimzo-Indian E20*

Tyler Hughes 2295

Milos Pavlovic 2486

*UTD Invitational 2011 (7)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.f3  
c5 5.d5 Nh5 6.Nh3 d6 7.Nf2 0-0  
8.e4 exd5 9.cxd5 Nd7 10.Be2  
Qf6 11.Qd2 Nf4 12.Ng4 Qd4



13.Qxd4 cxd4 14.Bxf4 dxc3 15.  
0-0-0 cxb2+ 16.Kxb2 f6 17.Ne3  
Ne5 18.g4 Bc5 19.Nc2 Bd7  
20.Nd4 Ba4 21.Nb3 a5 22.  
Nxc5?! [22.Rb1 Bxb3 23.Kxb3  
(23...axb3 a4 24.b4 a3+ 25.Ka2±)  
23...a4+ 24.Kc2 Rf7 (24...Rac8  
25.Kd1 Rf7) 25.Bd2 Rc8 26.Kd1  
Rfc7 27.h4+] 22...Bxd1 23.Rxd1  
dxc5 24.d6 Nd7 25.Bc4+ Kh8  
26.Be6 Rfd8 27.g5 Ra6 28.gxf6  
gxf6 29.Rd5 [29.Bxd7 Rxd7  
30.Kc3 b5 31.a4 b4+ 32.Kc4 Kg7  
33.Kxc5 Kf7] 29...Ne5 30.Rxe5  
Rxd6 31.Bc4 Rab6+ 32.Kc3  
fxe5 33.Bxe5+ Rf6 34.Bd5 Kg7  
35.Kc4 Rb4+! 36.Kd3 [36.  
Kxc5?? b6#] 36...b5+ 37.f4 Ra4  
38.f5 c4+ 39.Ke3 Rxa2 40.Bd4  
Ra3+ 41.Kf4 Rd3 42.Be5 c3 43.  
Bxf6+ Kxf6 44.e5+ Ke7 45.f6+  
Kf8 46.Bb3 a4 47.Bc2 Rd2 48.  
Bxh7 c2 49.e6 c1Q 50.e7+ Kf7  
51.Bg6+ Kxf6 0-1

*QGD Slav D10*

Valentin Yotov 2576

Conrad Holt 2461

*UTD Invitational 2011 (7)*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 dxc4 4.e4  
b5 5.a4 b4 6.Nce2 e6 7.Ng3 Ba6  
8.Nf3 Nf6 9.Bg5 Qa5 10.Rc1  
b3+ 11.Bd2 Qxa4 12.Ra1 Qb5  
13.Ne5 Qb6 14.Bc3 Nbd7 15.  
Nxc4 Bxc4 16.Bxc4 Rb8 17.0-0  
Be7 18.Ra6 Qb7 19.Qa1 Ra8  
20.Qd1 Rb8 21.f4 0-0 22.f5 Kh8  
23.Qa1 e5 24.Rxa7 Qb6 25.Ra6  
Qc7 26.Ra7 Qb6 27.Ra6 Qc7  
28.Ra7 Qd6



29.Qd1 [29.Rd1 Bd8 30.Kh1  
exd4 31.Rxd4 Qc5 32.Be2+] 29...  
Bd8 30.Kh1 Bb6 31.Ra4 Bxd4  
32.Bxd4 [32.Bxb3 Nc5 33.Bb4  
Rxb4 34.Rxb4 Ncxe4 35.Rxd4  
Nvg3+-] 32...exd4 [32...Qxd4  
33.Bxb3 Qxd1 34.Bxd1 Rxb2+] 33.  
Bxb3 c5 34.Bc4 Rxb2 35.  
Ra6 Rb6 36. Ra7 Ne5 37.Bd5 d3  
38.Qd2 c4 39.Qc3 Nxd5 40.  
exd5 Qxd5 41.Ra5 Rb5 42.Rxb5  
Qxb5 43.f6 g6 44.Qd4 Re8 45.  
h3 Qd7 46.Qe3 d2 47.Rd1 Ng4  
48.Qf4 c3 49.Ne2 c2 50.Rxd2  
c1Q+ White resigns because if  
51.Nxc1 Re1+ 52.Qf1 Rxf1# 0-1

*Nimzo-Indian E25*

Julio Sadorra 2506

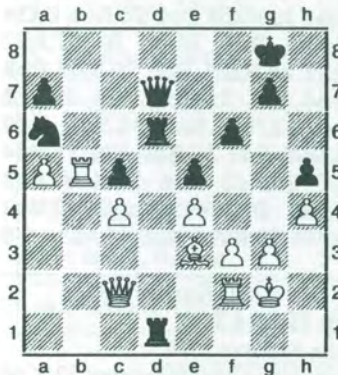
Alexander Onischuk 2674

*UTD Invitational 2011 (8)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.f3  
d5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 c5 7.cxd5  
Nxd5 8.dxc5 Qa5 9.e4 Nf6  
10.Be3 0-0 11.Qb3 Qc7 12.a4  
Nfd7 13.Qa3 b6 14.a5 bxc5 15.



Nh3 Ba6 16.Bxa6 Nxa6 17.0-0 Qc6 18.c4 Rfd8 19.Nf4 Ne5 20.Qc3 f6 21.Nh5 Qe8 22.Nf4 Rd7 23.Rab1 Rad8 24.Rb5 Nd3 25.Nxd3 Rxd3 26.Qc1 Qd7 27.g3 e5 28.Kg2 h5 29.h4 Qc8 30.Kh2 Qc6 31.Kg2 R8d6 32. Rf2 Rd1 33.Qc2 Qd7



34.Qe2 Ra1 35.f4 Rdd1 36.f5 Rg1+ 37.Kf3 Rad1 38.Rb3 Nb4 [38...g6 39.Qc2 gxf5 40.Rd2 Rdf1+ 41.Ke2 Re1+ 42.Kf3 fxe4+ 43.Qxe4 Rgf1+] 39.Bxc5 [39.Qb2 Nc6-+ Δ40.Bxc5 Rd3+ 41.Ke2 Rc3 42.Qxc3 Qd1+ 43.Ke3 Rxc3+ 44.Rf3 Rxf3#] 39...Nd3+ 40.Rxd3 Rxd3+ 41.Be3 Qd4 0-1

*Bogo-Indian E11*

Salvius Bercs 2464

Eric Hansen 2447

*UTD Invitational 2011 (8)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 Bb4+ 4.Bd2 Bxd2+ 5.Qxd2 0-0 6.Nc3 d5 7.e3 Qe7 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Bd3 Be6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Rac1 c6 12.h3 h6 13.a3 Nb6 14.Ne5 Rad8 15.f4 Nfd7 16.Qf2 Nxe5 17.fxe5 f6 18.Qh4 Nc8 19.exf6 Rxf6 20.Rxf6 Qxf6 21.Qxf6 gxf6 22.Rf1 Kg7 ½z-½z

*QGD Stonewall D30*

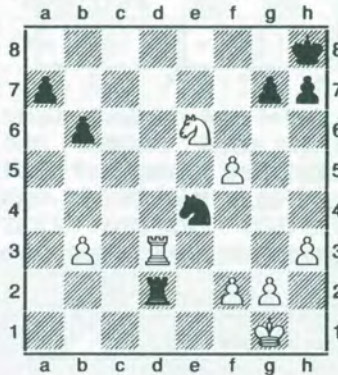
Milos Pavlovic 2486

Ioan Chirila 2523

*UTD Invitational 2011 (9)*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c6 4.e3 f5

5.Bd3 Nf6 6.0-0 Bd6 7.b3 Qe7 8.Bb2 0-0 9.Qc1 b6 10.Ba3 c5 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nc3 Nc6 13. dxc5 Bxc5 14.Bxc5 Qxc5 15. Rd1 Kh8 16.Qb2 f4 17.exf4 Bg4 18.Be2 Bxf3 19.Bxf3 Nd4 20. Rd3 Rfe8 21.h3 Nxf3+ 22.Rxf3 Rac8 23.Rd1 d4 24.Ne2 Qc2 25. Rd2 Qc5 26.Rd1 Qc2 27.Qxc2 Rxc2 28.Nxd4 Rxa2 29.f5 Rd8 30.Rfd3 Ne4 31.Ne6 Rxd3 32.Rxd3 Rd2



33.Re3? [33.Rxd2 Nxd2 34.Nd4 a5 35.f3 b5 36.Kf2 a4 37.Ke2 Nxb3 38.Nxb3 axb3 39.Kd2 b2 40.Kc2+-] 33...Nd6?? [33...Rd1+ 34.Kh2 Nd2 35.Rc3 Nf1+=; 33...Nxf2?? 34.Ng5+-] 34.g4 Kg8 35.Rc3 Nb5 36.Rc8+ Kf7 37.Rf8+ Ke7 38.Rh8 Nd4 39. Rxh7 Nxe6 40.fxe6 Kf6 41.f4 Rd3 42.f5 Rxb3 43.Rh8 Re3 44. Kf2 Re5 45.Rf8+ Kg5 46.Kf3 a5 47.h4+ Black resigns. If 47...Kxh4 48.Kf4 threatening both 49.Rh8 mate and the rook on e5. 1-0

*Caro-Kann Advance B12*

Puchen Wang 2441

Valentin Yotov 2576

*UTD Invitational 2011 (8)*

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nge2 c5 7.h4 f6 8.Nf4 Bf7 9.exf6 cxd4 10.Qxd4 Nxf6 11.Bb5+ Nc6 12.Qa4 Qd7 13.Nd3 Bd6 14.Bf4 0-0 15.0-0 Qc7 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Rhe1 Nd7 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Qd4 Bg6

20.h5 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 e5 22.Kb1 Rab8 23.b3 Rb4 24.Qa6 Qc7 25.h6 Rxf2 26.Rf1 Rb4 27.Rxf2 Rxf2 28.Qa3 Rf7 29.g5 Qb6 [29...g6 30.Ne2 Nf8 31.Qb4 Rf5 32.Qg4 Qd8 33.Rg1 Qa5-+] 30.Qd6 Qc5 31.Qe6 Nf8 32. Qxe5 Re7 33.Qd4 Qxd4 34. Rxd4 Ne6 35.Rg4 Kf7 36.g6+ hxg6 37.h7 Re8 38.Ra4 Rh8 39.Rxa7+ Kf6 40.Ra6 Rxh7 41.Rxc6 Ke5 42.a4 g5 43.a5 g4 44.Ne2 g5 45.b4 Nd4 46.Nxd4 Kxd4 47.Rg6 Kc4 ½z-½z

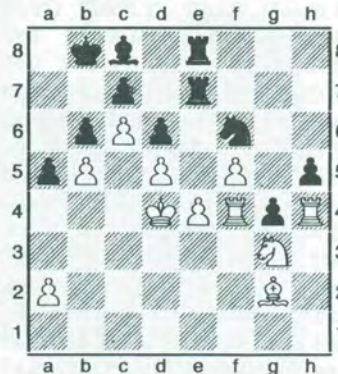
*Modern Defense A40*

Conrad Holt 2461

Tyler Hughes 2295

*UTD Invitational 2011 (8)*

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.e4 Nd7 5.Nc3 e6 6.Be2 b6 7.h4 h6 8.Qc2 Bb7 9.d5 Ne7 10.Be3 e5 11.h5 Nf6 12.hxg6 fxc6 13.Nh2 Qd7 14.Qd1 h5 15.Qd2 Neg8 16.0-0 Bh6 17.Bxh6 Nxh6 18. Nf3 Nf7 19.Ng5 Nxc5 20.Qxc5 Qf7 21.g3 0-0-0 22.b4 Kb8 23.f3 Qg7 24.Kc2 Rdf8 25.c5 Qh6 26.Qxh6 Rxh6 27.c6 Bc8 28.b5 g5 29.Rdf1 Ng8 30.f4 exf4 31.gxf4 g4 32.f5 Nf6 33.Rh4 Re8 34.Kd3 Rh7 35.Kd4 Rhe7 36.Bd3 Ka8 37.Rf4 Rg7 38.Bf1 Rge7 39.Bg2 Re5 40.Nd1 a5 41.Ne3 R5e7 42.Nf1 Kb8 43.Ng3



43...Rh7 44.Rf1 Rh6 45.Rfh1 Reh8 46.Ke3 Re8 47.Kf4 Reh8 48.Kg5 a4 49.Nxh5 1-0

*Pirc Defense B06*

Valentin Yotov 2576  
Salvius Bercys 2464

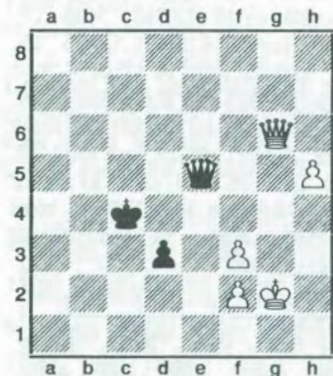
*UTD Invitational 2011 (9)*

1.d4 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.Nf3 c6 4.Nc3  
d6 5.a4 Nf6 6.Be2 a5 7.0-0 0-0  
8.Be3 Nbd7 9.Nd2 e5 10.Nc4  
Nxe4 11.Nxe4 exd4 [11...d5  
12.dxe5 dxe4 13.e6 fxe6 14.c3±]  
12.Bg5 f6 13.Bf4 d5 14.Ned6 g5  
15.Bg3 f5 16.Nxc8 f4 17.N4d6  
Nc5 18.Bd3!? [18.Bg4 Be5  
19.Nf5 Rxc8 20.Bxf4±] 18...Be5  
[18...fxg3 19.fxg3 Rxc8 20.Nxc8  
Qxc8 21.Rxf8+ Qxf8 22.Qd2±]



19.Bxh7+!? [19.Bh4 Nxd3 (19..  
.gxh4 20.Bxh7+ Kxh7 21.Qh5+  
Kg8 22.Qxe5+-) 20.Qg4 Rxc8  
21.Nxc8 h6 22.Qe6+ Kg7 23.  
cxd3+-] 19...Kxh7 20.Qh5+ Kg7  
21.Rae1! Bxd6 22.Nxd6 Qxd6  
23.Qxg5+ Qg6 24.Re7+ Rf7  
25.Rxf7+ Kxf7 26.Qxf4± Qf6  
27.Qg4 Re8 28.b3 d3 29.cxd3  
Nxd3 30.Bh4 Qg6 31.Qd7+ Kg8  
32.Bg3 Nc5 33.Qc7 Nxb3 34.  
Qxb7 Nd2 35.Ra1 Qf6 36.Rd1  
Qd4 [36...Qe7 37.Qxe7 Rxe7  
38.f4 Nc4=] 37.Qxc6 Nf3+ 38.  
gxf3 Qxd1+ 39.Kg2 Kf7 40.  
Qd7+ Rf7 41.Qf5+ Kg8 42.  
Be5!± Qxa4 43.Qg6+ Kf8 44.  
Bd6 Qh4 45.Qf5+ Ke8 46.Bxe7  
Kxe7 47.Qe5+ Kf8 48.Qb8+ Ke7  
49.Qc7+ Ke6 50.Qxa5 Qg5+ 51.  
Kf1 Qh5 52.Qb6+ Kd7 53. Qb5+  
Kd6 54.Qb4+ Kc6 55.Kg2 Qe5

56.h4 d4 57.Qc4+ Kd6 58.Qd3  
Kc5 59.Qg6 Kc4 60.h5 d3



61.Qa6+ Kb4 62.Qxd3 Qg5+  
63.Kf1 Qxh5 64.Qd4+ Kb5  
65.Ke2 Kc6 66.Ke3 Kc7 67.f4  
Qh3+ 68.f3 Kc8 69.Qd5 Qg3  
70.f5 Qe1+ 71.Kf4 Qh4+ 72.Ke5  
Qg3+ 73.Kf6 Qh4+ 74.Ke6 1-0

*Gruenfeld Defense D80*

Tyler Hughes 2295  
Puchen Wang 2441

*UTD Invitational 2011 (9)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.h4  
c6 [4...c5!? 5.dxc5 d4 6.Nb5 e5  
7.Nf3 Nc6 8.Nd6+ Bxd6 9.cxd6  
Qxd6 10.a3 e4 11.Ng5 (Kratoch-  
vil-Koutny, CZE 2012) 11...Qe5  
12.e3 d3±] 5.e3 Bg7 6.Nf3 0-0  
7.Qb3 a6 [7...dxc4 8.Bxc4 b5  
9.Bd3 Bg4 10.Ne5 Be6 11.Qc2±]  
8.cxd5 cxd5 9.h5 Nc6 10.hxg6  
hxg6 11.Bd3 b5 12.Ne5



12...Nxe5 13.dxe5 Ng4 14.f4

Be6 15.Qb4 Qd7 16.a4 bxa4  
17.Qxa4 Black is so blocked out  
of play on the kingside, with no  
...f6 due to Bxg6, that he strikes  
out with a bold sacrifice at e5.

17...Qc7 18.Qd4 Nxe5 [18...Qc6  
19.Ra5 Rfd8 20.Bd2 Nh6  
21.Qa4±] 19.fxe5 Bxe5 20.Nxd5  
Qb8 21.Nxe7+ Kg7 22.Nc6  
Bxd4 23.Nxb8 Be5 24.Nc6 Bg3+  
25.Kd2 Rh8 26.b4 f6 27.Bb2  
Rxb1 28.Rxb1 Bd5 29.Nd4 Rb8  
30.e4 Bf7 31.Bc3 Bd6 32.Nc2  
Rb6 33.Rf1 Bc7 34.Ne3 Bd8  
35.Nd5 Rd6 36.Bc4 Kf8 37.Bd4  
Kg7 38.Kc3 Rc6 39.Kd3 Be8  
40.Rf2 Bf7 41.g4 g5 42.Ne3  
Bxc4+ 43.Nxc4 Kg6 44.e5 1-0

*QGD Ragozin D38*

Eric Hansen 2447  
Julio Sadorra 2506

*UTD Invitational 2011 (9)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3  
Bb4 5.Qa4+ Nc6 6.a3 Bxc3+  
7.bxc3 Ne4 8.Qc2 Na5 9.e3 b6  
10.cxd5 exd5 11.c4 Bf5 12.  
Qa4+ c6 13.Bd2 [13.cxd5 Qxd5  
14.Bb2=] 13...Nxd2 14.Nxd2 0-0  
15.Be2 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.  
Qxc4 c5 18.d5 Qg5! 19.g3 Rad8  
20.f4 Qg6 21.Kf2 Bd3 22.Qa2



22...Qh5 23.Nf3 Be4 White re-  
signs in view of 24.Qe2 Rxd5  
25.Rhd1 Rfd8 with massive ex-  
changes coming and no counter-  
play in sight. 0-1

Rk	Name	Title	FED	Elo	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts	TPR
1	Onischuk, Alexander	GM	USA	2674	#	1	0	1	=	1	=	1	1	1	7	2687
2	Holt, Conrad	IM	USA	2461	0	#	1	0	1	1	=	1	=	1	6	2615
3	Chirila, Ioan-Cristian	GM	ROU	2523	1	0	#	0	1	=	1	=	1	1	6	2608
4	Pavlovic, Milos M	IM	SRB	2486	0	1	1	#	0	=	0	=	1	1	5	2530
5	Yotov, Valentin	GM	BUL	2576	=	0	0	1	#	1	0	1	=	1	5	2520
6	Sadorra, Julio Catalino	GM	PHI	2506	0	0	=	=	0	#	1	1	1	1	5	2528
7	Hansen, Eric	IM	CAN	2447	=	=	0	1	1	0	#	=	=	0	4	2449
8	Bercys, Salvijus	IM	USA	2464	0	0	=	=	0	0	=	#	=	1	3	2365
9	Wang, Puchen	IM	NZL	2441	0	=	0	0	=	0	=	=	#	0	2	2272
10	Hughes, Tyler B	FM	USA	2295	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	#	2	2289



GMs Julio Sadorra and Alexander Onischuk

# Dallas Streaks to Pan-Am Victory

by Dr. WIM Alexey Root

Before round 5, GM Timur Gareyev entered the hotel pool just as I was leaving it. I said, "Sorry I didn't get your photo in *Chess Life Online*. Maybe, if you win a board prize, your photo will get in then."

Gareyev, who did end up winning the first board prize, replied, "I don't care about a board prize. What's important is that the team wins."

I asked how that would happen, since The University of Texas at Brownsville (UTB) Team "A" had just lost its fourth round match against the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC).

Gareyev predicted, "Here's how it is going to go down. Next round, UTB will defeat Columbia University by 3.5 or 4 points. UT Dallas will win against UMBC. Then, in the last round, UTB will beat UT Dallas."

I pointed out that, in his scenario, the UT Dallas "A" team would then have one match loss (against UTB). So both UTB and UT Dallas would have 5 out of 6 match points. Gareyev smiled and said, "Yes, but UTB will have better tiebreaks because of our score against Columbia. We are very strong."

During round 5, about an hour into the round, was an event not predicted by Gareyev. A stalker, male, wearing just underwear and athletic shoes, ran through the Pan Am Open, Class, and Scholastic playing area. He was screaming. The college games were in the same ballroom, blocked off by a row of tables. Most college players looked up only briefly (no pun intended) before returning their gazes to their chess positions. The stalker was tackled, lost a shoe in the scuffle, then escaped down a side hallway.

In round 5, UTB "A" scored 4-0 against Columbia University. At the same time UT Dallas "A" won 3.5-.5 against UMBC. Going into round 6, UTB "A" had 52 tiebreak points and UTD "A" had 48.5 tiebreak points. The first tiebreak system is the USATE, which multiplies game points against each opponent by that opponent's final match score. Nevertheless, if teams tie for first they are considered co-champions. But the team with the better tiebreaks takes home the first place trophy.

The stage was set for Gareyev's scenario. UT Dallas "A" had white on boards 1 and 3 against UTB "A." Since I work for UT Dallas, I rooted for the home team to win. The Pan Am, held in Fort Worth, was co-hosted by UT Dallas and the Dallas Chess Club with sponsorship from the USCF. Gareyev's prediction (and that UTB's team rating was 2616 versus UT Dallas' 2567) concerned me.

UT Dallas Chess Program Director Jim Stallings thought that UTB "A" perhaps should not go all out to

win the sixth round. Jim said, "The greater the reward, the greater the risk. If Brownsville pushes too hard, and loses to UT Dallas 'A,' they might not go to the Final Four. Texas Tech and NYU are likely to get 4.5 match points by winning their round 6 matches. Then it might be UT Dallas, UMBC, Texas Tech, and NYU (and no UTB) at the Final Four."

UTB Chess Program Director Russell Harwood said that Thursday night, before the Friday morning match with UT Dallas "A," the UTB administrators, coach GM Ronen Har-Zvi, and the players met in the hotel lobby. Ronen asked which strategy the university would want: Striving for safe draws to qualify for the Final Four or taking the risk of not qualifying to win the Pan Am? The administrators gave the choice to the players. Russell Harwood said, "The players wanted to play to win the Pan Am."

However, Dallas won on the other three boards. This victory by UTD board three GM Sadorra featured a pretty finish starting with 40.Bf7! With this match win, UT Dallas repeated as Pan Am Champions, with 6-0 match victories last year and this year.

## UT Dallas-A (2567, 6-0)

	Rating	Score/Rds.
1. GM Valentin Yotov	2611	3.0 / 5
2. GM Ioan Chirila	2530	4.0 / 5
3. GM Julio Sadorra	2580	5.0 / 5
4. IM Conrad Holt	2548	4.0 / 4
A1 IM Salvijus Bercys	2523	2.0 / 2
A2 IM Milos Pavlovic	2516	2.0 / 3

## UMBC-A (2520, 5-1)

	Rating	Score/Rds.
1. GM Leonid Kritz	2658	2.5 / 4
2. GM Giorgi Margvelashvili	2538	5.5 / 6
3. IM Sasha Kaplan	2471	1.5 / 5
4. WGM Sabina Foisor	2413	3.5 / 5
A1 Adithya Balasubramanian	2453	3.0 / 3
A2 Benjamin Krause	2262	1.0 / 1

## Texas Tech-A (2614, 4.5-1.5)

	Rating	Score/Rds.
1. GM Georg Meier	2770	3.5 / 6
2. GM Anatoly Bykhovsky	2536	4.0 / 6
3. GM Denes Boros	2521	5.0 / 6
4. GM Andre Diamont	2514	5.5 / 6

## NYU (2206, 4.5-1.5)

	Rating	Score/Rds.
1. Zhe Quan	2451	4.0 / 6
2. Andrew Shvartsman	2289	5.5 / 6
3. Evan Rosenberg	2279	4.0 / 6
4. Kyle Cameron	1806	1.5 / 6

### Board Prizes

1.	GM Timur Gareev	2724	UTB-A	5.0
	Chardine Camacho	2163	UTD-C	5.0
2.	GM Georgi Margvelashvili	2592	UMBC-A	5.5
	Andrew Shvartsman	2289	NYU	5.5
3.	GM Julio Sadorra	2580	UTD-A	5.0
	GM Denes Boros	2521	Texas Tech	5.0
	GM Axel Bachmann	2633	UTB-A	5.0
4.	GM Andre Diamont	2514	Texas Tech	5.5
Alt.	Adithya Balasubramanian	2302	UMBC	3.0

Complete standings are at [www.swchess.com](http://www.swchess.com).

The top four finishers in the tournament qualified for the 2012 President's Cup, the "Final Four of College Chess," to be held March 30–April 1 in Herndon, VA. Those top four are: UT Dallas (6-0 match wins; 1st place), UMBC (5-1; 2nd place), Texas Tech (4.5-1.5; third place on tiebreaks), and New York University (4.5-1.5; fourth place on tiebreaks).

As it did last year, Booz Allen Hamilton will sponsor the Final Four.

Next year's Pan Am will be on the Princeton University campus December 27-30, 2012. "Pan Am" is short for Pan American Intercollegiate Team Chess Championship.

Dr. Alexey Root has written five books and has a forthcoming sixth book about teaching chess.



Gareyev analyzing his last round win over Yotov

## Round 1

*Editor's note: There was no MonRoi coverage this year, so game selections are based on the available, legible handwritten scoresheets.*

### Pirc Defense B08

Georg Meier 2770 (Texas Tech)

Haotian Zheng 2017 (Princeton)

### Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (1)

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be3 0-0 6.Bd3 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nc6 9.Qd1 e5 10.d5 Ne7 11.Ne2 c6 12.c4 c5 13.a3 Ne8 14.b4 b6 15.0-0 f5 16.f3 f4 17.Bf2 Nf6 18.bxc5 bxc5 19.Rb1 Qc7 20.Qa4 Rfb8 21.Nc3 Nc8 22.Bh4 Nb6 23.Qa6 Ne8 24.Nb5 Qb7 25.Qa5 Bf8 26.Rb3 Be7 27.Bxe7 Qxe7 28.Rfb1 Rb7 29.Qa6 Rab8 30.a4 Nc8 31.a5 Qd8 32.Bc2



32...Nc7? [It is worth asking what White would do if Black did "nothing", e.g. 32...Kh8 33.Nd4!? Rxb3 34.Rxb3 Rxb3 35.Ne6 Qh4= with a perpetual.] 33.Qc6 Ne7?? [33...Nxb5 34.Rxb5 Rxb5 35.Rxb5 Rxb5 36.cxb5 h5 37.Bd3 Kf7 38.b6 axb6 39.Ba6 +-] 34.Qxd6 Rxb5 35.Qxd8+ Rxd8 36.cxb5 1-0

### French Exchange C01

Trey Modlin 1919 (Tx Tech-C)

Julio Sadorra 2580 (UTD)

### Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (1)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Nf3 Bd6 5.Bd3 Bg4 6.Be3 Nc6 7.c3 Nge7 8.h3 Bf5 9.0-0 Qd7 10.c4 Bxd3 11.Qxd3 dxc4 12.Qxc4 0-0 13.Nc3 Nf5 14.Rad1 Rfe8 15.Bc1 a6 16.a4 Na5 17.Qd5 b6 18.Ne5 Qe6 19.g4? [19.Qxe6 Rxe6 20.Nf3=] 19... Nxd4 20.Rxd4 Bxe5 21.Qxe6 Rxe6 22.Rd7 Rae8 23.Rfd1 h6 24.Nd5 Rd6 25.Rxd6 Bxd6 26.Kf1 Re6 27.f4 Re4 28.Nxb6 Bxf4 29.Nd5 Be5 30.Ne7+ Kh7 31.Rd5 Nb3 32.Nc6 Bf6 33.Bd2 Nxd2+ 34.Rxd2 Rc4!? [34... Rxa4] 35.Nd8 Kg6 36.a5 Rc5 37.b4 Rc4 38.Nb7 Rxb4 39.Nc5 Rb1+ 40.Kg2 Bc3 41.Rc2 Bxa5 42.Nxa6 Rb7 43.Rc6+ f6 44.h4 h5 45.Rc5 Rb2+ 46.Kf3 hxg4+ 47.Kxg4 f5+ 48.Kf4 Rf2+ 49.Ke3

**Ra2 50.Rc6+ Kh5 51.Nxc7 Kxh4**  
**52.Nd5 g5 53.Rc4+ Kg3 0-1**

*English Opening A19*

**Joshua Osbourn 1935 (Tx Tech-C)**  
**Milos Pavlovic 2516 (UTD)**

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (1)*

**1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.e4 c5 4.e5**  
**Ng8 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.d4 cxd4 7.**  
**Nxd4 Nxe5 8.Ndb5 a6 9.Nd6+**  
**Bxd6 10.Qxd6 f6 11.Be3 Ne7**  
**12.Bb6 Nf5 13.Qc5?** [13.Qb4  
 Qe7 14.Qxe7+ Kxe7 15.0-0 d6  
 16.f4 Nd7 17.Bc7 b6 18.Ne4= 1/2  
 Smimov-Alekseev, Russia 2011]  
**13...d6 14.Qa5 Qd7 15.Rd1 Qc6**  
**16.c5 d5 17.Bb5 axb5 18.Qxa8**  
**0-0 19.0-0 Nc4 20.b3 Bd7**  
**21.Qa7 Ne5 22.Qa3 d4 23.Ne2**



**23...Nf3+! 24.Kh1** [24.gxf3 Qxf3  
 ΔNh4] **24...e5** [24...N5h4 25.b4  
 Nxc2! 26.Nxd4□ Nxd4 27.f3 Nc2  
 28.Qb3 Nge1 29.Rfxe1 Nxe1  
 30.Rxe1 Kh8♯] **25.b4 N3h4 26.**  
**Rg1 Be6 27.f3??** [27.Ba5=; 27.  
 Nc1=] **27...Ne3+** **28.Rdf1 Nxf1**  
**29.Rxf1 Nf5 30.Ng3 Ne3 31.Rf2**  
**Nc4 32.Qd3 Ra8 33.f4 Ra3 34.**  
**Qd1 Ne3 35.Qb1 Nxc2 0-1**

*QP Opening D04*

**Lara Armas 1964 (UNM)**  
**Sabina Foisor 2413 (UMBC)**

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (1)*

**1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 c6 4.Bd3**  
**Bg4 5.Nbd2 Nbd7 6.0-0 e6 7.b3**

**Bb4 8.c4** [8.Bb2! not fearing  
 8...Bxd2 9.Qxd2 Bxf3 10.gxf3=]  
**8...e5? 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Be2?**  
 [10.Qc2 Nxd3 11.Qxd3 0-0?]  
**10...Ng6?** [10...Bc3 11.Rb1 Bf5?]  
**11.Bb2= 0-0 12.Nd4 Bd7 13.Qc2**  
**Re8 14.Rac1 Rc8 15.Rfd1 Bxd2**  
 [15...Qe7=] **16.Qxd2 Ne4 17.Qe1**  
**c5!?** This involves a speculative  
 pawn sacrifice for counterplay.  
**18.Nf3 d4 19.exd4 Nf4**



**20.Rc2 Qe7 21.Bf1 Bg4** [21...Bf5  
 22.Qe3 Ng5 23.Qxe7 Rxe7 24.  
 Rcd2±] **22.Qe3 Qd6 23.d5?!** [23.  
 Re1±] **23...Ng5 24.Qc3 Qg6?!**  
 [24...Qh6 25.Bc1 Nxf3+ 26.gxf3  
 Bh5=] **25.Ne5??** [25.Nh4□ Qh6  
 26.f3 Bd7 27.g3 Ng6 28.Nxcg6  
 Qxcg6 29.Rcd2±] **25...Rxe5! 26.**  
**Qxe5 Bxd1!?** [26...Nf3+!] **27.Rd2**  
**Nf3+ 0-1**

## Round 2

*Queen's Indian E13*

**Timur Gareyev 2724 (UTD)**  
**Mark Heimann 2432 (U. Wash.)**

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (2)*

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.Nc3**  
**Bb4 5.Bg5 Bb7 6.e3 h6 7.Bh4**  
**g5 8.Bg3 Ne4 9.Nd2 Bxc3 10.**  
**bx3 Nxc3 11.hxc3 d6 12.a4 a5**  
**13.c5 dxc5 14.Bb5+ c6 15.Be2**  
**cx4 16.cxd4 Na6 17.Bf3 Nb4**  
**18.Nc4 Rc8 19.Ne5 Rc7 20.Rc1**  
**Ba6 21.Be2 Bxe2 22.Qxe2 Qd5**  
**23.0-0 h5**



**24.f4 h4 25.fxg5 h3 26.Rf3 hxc2**  
**27.Qxc2 c5 28.g6 fxg6 29.Nxc6**  
**Rg8 30.Nf4 Qf5 31.Qe2 Rd7?**  
 [31...Qe4!]=] **32.dxc5!** [Also good  
 is 32.Nh5! Qxh5 33.Rf8+ Kxf8 34.  
 Qxh5 Rxc3+ 35.Kh1 Rdc7 36.  
 dxc5+- . I think the text is a fi-  
 nese since Black cannot im-  
 prove on the game continuation.]  
**32...bxc5**



**33.Nh5!** Beautifully exploiting the  
 exposed queen position. It could  
 be Black foresaw this but over-  
 estimated his play with the rooks,  
 which come to look slightly men-  
 acing to White's king. **33...Qxh5**  
**34.Rf8+ Kxf8 35.Qxh5 Rxc3+**  
**36.Kh2 Rdc7 37.Qxc5+ Kg8**  
**38.Qc8+ Kh7 39.Qxe6 R3g5**  
 [39...R3g6 40.Qf5] **40. Qh3+ Kg6**  
**41.Rd1 Rh5** [41...Rf7 42.Rd8!  
 Rf2+ 43.Kh1 Rh5 44. Rg8+-]  
**42.Rg1+ Kh6 43.Qxh5+ 1-0**

*King's Indian E97*

Zhe Quan 2451 (NYU)  
Georg Meier 2770 (Texas Tech)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (2)*

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Bg4 3.Bg2 e6 4.0-0 Nd7 5.d3 c6 6.h3 Bh5 7.Nbd2 Bd6 8.e4 Ne7 9.Qe1 0-0 10.Nh4 Qc7 11.Nb3 c5 12.g4 Bg6 13.f4 c4 14.dxc4 dxc4 15.Nd4 Bc5 16.Be3 Qb6 17.c3 e5 18.fxe5 Nxe5 19.b4 cxb3 20.axb3 a5 21.Kh1 N7c6 22.Nhf5 Rfe8 23.Rd1 Qa6 [23...a4 24.bxa4 (24.b4 Bxd4 25.Bxd4 Qc7)] 24...Rxa4=] 24.Qg3 Bf8 25.Bf4 f6 26.g5! fxc5 27.Bxc5 Nf7 28.Be3 Nce5 29.Rf4 a4? [29... Rac8 30.Bf1 Qb6 31.Rc1] 30.Bf1 Qb6 31.bxa4± [Or 31. Bb5±] 31...Bh5 32.Re1 Ng6 33. Rf2 [33.Nxg7!! Bxg7 (33...Nxf4 34.Nde6+-) 34.Rxf7+- Kxf7 35. Bc4+ Kf8 36.Rf1+ Bf6 37.Rxf6+! Qxf6 38.Bh6+ Ke7 39.Qc7#] 33...Rac8 34.Bd2 Nge5 35.Bb5 Red8 36.Nh6+ Nxh6 37.Qxe5 Bf7 38.Ref1 Bd6 39.Qg5 Bc5 40.Qh4 Bg6 41.Bxh6 Bxd4 42. cxd4 gxh6 43.d5 Qd4 44.Rf4 Rf8 45.Qg4 Qg7 46.d6 Kh8 47.d7 Ra8 48.Rxf8+ Rxf8 49. Rxf8+ Qxf8 50.Qh4 1-0

*King's Indian E97*

Anatoly Bykhovskiy 2650 (Tx Tech)  
Andrew Shvartsman 2289 (NYU)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (2)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.b4 Nh5 10.Re1 f5 11.Ng5 Nf6 12.Bf3 c6 13.Bb2 Ne8 [13...h6; 13...Kh8] 14.Qb3 Kh8N [14...h6] 15.Ne6 Bxe6 16.dxe6 Nc7 [16...Qc8 17.c5 dxc5 18.Rad1 (18.bxc5 Nc7=) 18...cxb4 19.Qxb4 Qxe6 20.Ba3±] 17.c5 Rf6 18.cxd6 [18.Rad1!? Rxe6 19.b5±] 18...Qxd6 19.exf5 [19.Rad1 Qxe6 20.Qxe6 Rxe6 21.Rd7 Rc8 22.g4±] 19...gxf5 20.Na4 [20.Nb5

cxb5 21.Bxe5 Qb6 22.Bxf6 Bxf6=] 20...Rh6 21.Rad1 Ncd5 22.g3? [22.Bc1±] 22...e4? 23.Bg2 [23.Be2 Qxb4 24.Qxb4 Nxb4 25.Rd7] 23...Qxb4 24.Qxb4 Nxb4 25.Rd7 Bxb2 26.Rxe7 Nd3? 27.Re2 Ba3 28.Rxb7 Rxe6 29.Rb3?? [29.f3 Rae8 30.fxe4 a5?] 29...Nc1!+ 30.Rc2 Nxb3 31.axb3 Bb4 32.Nb2 Rd8 33.Bh3 Rf6 34.Nc4 Rd3 35.Ne3 Rxb3 36.Nxf5 c5 37.Rc4 Rb1+ 38.Kg2 Re1 39.g4 a5 40.Ng3 a4 41.g5 Rd6 0-1

*Ragozin System D38*

Evan Rosenberg 2279 (NYU)  
Denes Boros 2521 (Tx Tech)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (2)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nf3 0-0 5.Bg5 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Qb3 c5 8.a3 Bxc3+ 9.Qxc3 c4 10.g3 Nc6 11.Bg2 Re8 12.Ne5 Qa5 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nf3 Bf5 15.Qxa5 Nxa5 16.Nd2 Nc6 17. Nf3 Bd3 18.e3 Rac8 19.h4 b5 20.h5 Rb8 21.Rh4 b4 22.axb4 Rxb4 23.Nd2 Rxb2 24.Bxd5 c3



25.Bxc6 cxd2+ 26.Kd1 Bc2+ [26...Bc4! 27.Ba4 Rxc8 28.Re4 Kf8 29.f3 Bd5 30.Rf4 Rc4 31.Bb5 Rxd4!+] 27.Kxd2 Be4+ 28.Ke1? [28.Kc1 Rc2+ 29.Kd1 Rxc6 30.Rxa7 f5?] 28...Bxc6 29.Rxa7 Rc8 30.h6 Bb5 31.Ra1 Re2+ 32.Kd1 Rxf2 33.Rf4 Rg2 34.Ra5 Rb8 35.Rg4+ Kf8 36.Rg7 Ba4+ 37.Kc1 Rc2+ 0-1

*Ruy Lopez C80*

Sasha Kaplan 2471 (UMBC)  
Alex Martchenko 2145 (U. Toronto)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (2)*

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Nxe4 6.d4 exd4 7.Re1 d5 8.Nxd4 Bd6 9.Nxc6 Bxh2+ 10.Kh1 Qh4 11.Rxe4+ dxe4 12.Qd8+ Qxd8 13.Nxd8+ Kxd8 14.Kxh2 Be6 15.Bf4 f5 [15...Kc8 16.Bb3 Bxb3 17.axb3 b6 18.Nc3 f5] 16.Nc3 Kc8



17.Bb3 Bxb3 18.axb3 b6 19.Be5 Rd8 [19...Rg8 20.Nd5 Kb7 21. Nxc7 Rac8= Kireev-Simmelinck 2007] 20.Bxg7 Rd2 21.Rc1 Kb7 22.Bh6 Rd7 23.g3 Rg8 24.Kg2 b5 25.Kf1 Rg6 26.Bf4 h5 27.Ke2 Rc6 28.Nd1± Rh7 29.Ne3 h4 30.Rh1 [30.Nxf5 h3 31.Nd4+-] 30...h3 31.c3 Rf6+ [31...Rh5=] 32.b4 Kc6 33.Kf1 Rh5 34.Kg1 Rf7 35.Kh2 Rd7 36.Nc2 Rd3 37.Nd4+ Kb7 38.Ra1+- Kb6 39.Ne6 Kc6 40.Rxa6+ Kd5 41. b3 Black resigns in the face of a mate threat with Nxc7#. If 41... Rxc3 42.Nxc7+ Kd4 43.Rd6# 1-0

**Round 3**

*Sicilian Closed B25*

Leonid Kritz 2658 (UMBC)  
Alfonso Almeida 2432 (UTB)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.e4 c5 2.Ne2 Nf6 3.Nbc3 d6  
 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0  
 7.h3 Nc6 8.d3 Bd7 9.f4 Rb8  
 10.g4 b5 11.Ng3 b4 12.Nce2 a5  
 13.f5 a4 14.Rb1 Ne8 15.Be3  
 Nc7 [15...Nd4 16.Qd2 Qc7 17.  
 Nf4 Bc6 18.c3 bxc3 19.bxc3  
 Rxb1 20.Rxb1 Nb5 21.Nge2 Nf6  
 22.fxg6 hxg6 23.Nd5 Tompa-  
 Hernandez Onna, Kecskemet  
 1975 23...Nxd5 24.exd5 Bd7=]  
 16.Qd2 Nb5 17.Bh6 a3 18.b3  
 Ne5 19.Bg5 Re8 [19...Rb7] 20.  
 Rf2 Bc6 21.Rbf1 Qb6 22.Bh6  
 Bh8 23.Qf4 Rbd8 24.h4 d5 25.  
 h5 c4 [25...Nc7] 26.fxg6 hxg6  
 27.hxg6 fvg6 28.exd5 cxd3 29.  
 dxc6 dxe2 30.Nxe2 Nd4? [30...  
 Qc5 31.Re1 Kh7 32.g5 Nd6 33.  
 Ng3 Nxc6 34.Bxc6 Qxc6 35.  
 Qxb4±] 31.Nxd4 Rxd4



32.Qe3+- Qc5□ 33.c7 [33.Rf8+  
 Rxf8 34. Rxf8+ Kh7 35.c7!+-]  
 33...Nxc4 [33...Bf6 34.g5 Bg7  
 35.Bxg7 Kxg7 36.Rd2 Rd5 37.  
 Qxc5 Rxc5 38.Rd8+-] 34.Rf8+!  
 [34.Qg5 Qxg5 35.Rf8+ Kh7 36.  
 Bxg5+-] 34...Rxf8 35.Rxf8+ Kh7  
 36.Rf7+ Kg8 37.Rf8+ Kh7 38.  
 c8Q Rd1+ 39.Bf1 Rxf1+ 40.Kxf1  
 Nxe3+ 41.Bxe3 Qb5+ 42.Qc4

1-0

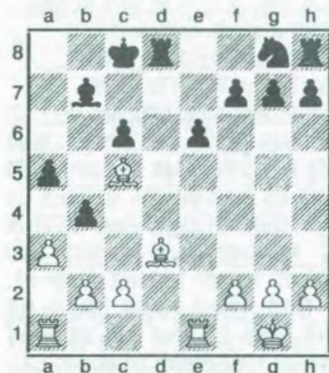
*Sicilian Paulsen B43*

Sasha Kaplan 2471 (UMBC)

Nadya Ortiz 2232 (UTB)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4  
 4.Nxd4 a6 5.Nc3 b5 6.Bd3 Qb6  
 7.Nf3 Qc7 8.0-0 Bb7 9.Re1 Nc6  
 10.e5 b4 11.Ne4!? [11.Na4 d6  
 12.Bf4 dxe5 13.Nxe5 Bd6 14.  
 Nxf7 Kxf7 15.Qh5+ g6 16.Bxd6  
 Qxd6 17.Bxg6+ hxg6 18.Qxh8  
 Nf6 19.Qh3± Dothan-Mascaran-  
 has, corr. 2001] 11...Nxe5 12.Bf4  
 Nxf3+ 13.Qxf3 Qc6 14.Nd6+  
 Bxd6 [14...Qxd6 15.Qxb7 Qc6  
 16.Be4 Qxb7 17.Bxb7 Ra7=] 15.  
 Qxc6 dxc6 16.Bxd6 a5 17. a3±  
 0-0-0 18.Bc5



18...bxa3 [18...b3 19.Bb6±] 19.  
 Rxa3 Nf6 20.Rxa5 Rd5 21.Rea1  
 Nd7 22.Be3 Kc7 23.f3 h6 24.Kf2  
 g5 25.Be4 Rxa5 26.Rxa5 f6 27.  
 b4 Nb6 28.Ra7 Nd5 29.Bc5 Nc3  
 30.Bd3 Nb5 31.Ra5 Rd8 32.Be7  
 Rd4 33.Ke3 Rh4 34.Bxf6 [34.g3  
 Rxh2 35.Bxf6±] 34...Rxb4 35.  
 Bg7 Kb6 36.Ra2 h5 37.c4 Nd6



38.c5+? [White gets hypnotized  
 by the Wrong Idea. He is winning  
 with 38.Bc3 Rxc4 (38...Nxc4+  
 39.Ke2+-) 39.Bxc4 Nxc4+ 40.  
 Kf2+-] 38...Kxc5 39.Bf8 Rb3  
 40.Ra5+? [40.Ke2 Kd4 41.Bxd6  
 Rxd3 42.Be5+±] 40...Kb6 41.  
 Rxc5?? [41.Ra2 Kc7±] 41...Ba6-  
 + 42.Bxd6 Rxd3+ 43.Ke4 Rxd6  
 44.Rxh5 c5 45.Rh6 c4 0-1

*QGD Slav D11*

Luciana Morales 2156 (UTB-B)

Sabina Foisor 2413 (UMBC)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3  
 a6 5.Bd3 Bg4 6.h3 Bh5 7.b3 e6  
 8.Nbd2 Nbd7 9.Bb2 Be7 10.Qc2  
 Bg6 11.0-0 0-0 12.e4 dxe4 13.  
 Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Bxe4 Nf6 15.  
 Bxg6 hxg6 16.Rad1 Qc7 17.Rd3  
 a5 18.a3 Rfd8 19.Rfd1 Bd6 20.  
 Ne5 Qe7 21.a4 Qc7 22.Qe2 b5  
 23.Qf3 bxc4 24.bxc4 Rdc8



25.Ng4 Nxc4 26.hxg4 Rab8  
 27.Bc3 Bb4 28.Ba1 Be7 29.d5  
 cxd5 30.cxd5 Rb6 31.Bd4 Ra6  
 32.Rc3 Qd7 33.dxe6 Rxe6 34.  
 Bxg7 Rxc3 35.Bxc3 Qxa4 36.  
 Ra1 Qc6 37.Rxa5 Qxf3 38.gxf3  
 Bf6 ½-½

*Reti Opening A11*

Georg Meier 2770 (Texas Tech)

Bindi Cheng 2396 (U. Toronto)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*



1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 c6 4. 0-0 Bg4 5.c4 e6 6.d3 Nbd7 7. cxd5 exd5 8.h3 Bh5 9.Nc3 Bxf3 10.Bxf3 d4 11.Ne4 Be7 12 .Nxf6+ Nxf6 13.b4 0-0 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.Kg2 a5 16.bxa5 Rxa5 17.a4 Nd5 18.Bd2 Ra7 19.Rab1



19...Nc3 20.Bxc3 dxc3 21.Qxc3 Rxa4 22.Rb6 Bd8 23.Rb3 Bf6 24.Qc2 Ra7 25.Rfb1 g6 26.e3 h5 27.Qc5 Rfa8 28.d4 Be7 29.Qc2 Bf6 30.Be4 Kg7 31.Qe2 Rc8 32.Qf3 Rc7 33.Rb6 Bd8 34.Qf4 Rc8 35.R6b2 Bf6 36.Rb6 Qc7 37.Qf3 Bd8 38.R6b3 Qd7 39.Qd1 Be7 40.R1b2 b5 41.Bc2 b4 42.Rd3 c5 43.dxc5 Qc6+ 44. Rd5 Rd7 45.Bb3 Rxd5 46.Bxd5 Qxc5 47.Ra2 Bf6 48.h4 Rc7 49.Ra6 Qb5 50.Ra8 Rd7 51.e4 Qc5 52.Qd3 Bd4 53.Qf3 Qc3 54.Rb8 Rc7 55.Qf4 Be5 56.Qg5 Bf6 57.Qf4 Be5 58.Qg5 Bf6 1/2-1/2

*Sicilian Sveshnikov B33*

Denes Boros 2521 (Tx Tech)

Paul Gelis 2113 (U. Toronto)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Nd5 Be7 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.c3 Bg5 12.Nc2 0-0 13.a4 bxa4 14.Rxa4 a5 15.Bc4 Rb8 16.b3 Kh8 17.Nce3 Bxe3 18.Nxe3 Ne7 19.0-0 f5 20. exf5 Nxf5 21.Nd5 Bd7 22.Ra2 Qg5 23.Rxa5 Nh4 24.Ne3 Bh3 25.Qxd6 Nf3+ 26.Kh1 Rbd8 27.

Qc6 Rf6 [27...Bxg2+ 28.Nxg2 Qh5 29.h4 Qg4 30.Be6 Rf5 31. Qxf3 Qxf3 32.Bxf5 Qxf5 33.Rc5=] 28.Qe4 Rf4 29.Qc6?? [29.Qa8 Rff8 30.Qe4 Rf4=]



29...h6?? [29...Bxg2+! 30.Nxg2 Qh5+] 30.Bd5 e4 31.Bxe4 Rxe4 Black resigns on seeing 32.Rxg5, winning his queen. 1-0

*Nimzo-Indian E2*

Conrad Holt 2548 (UTD)

Andrew Ryba 2221 (U. Columbia)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4. Qc2 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Bd3 e5 7.a3 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 Nc6 9.Ne2 Ne7 [9...b6 10.0-0 Nd7 11.f4 Ba6 12.Rf3 Na5 13.fxe5 dxe5 14.Ng3 Bxc4 15.Nf5= Zontakh-Tomashvsky, Russia 2011; 9...Nh5 10.0-0 g5 11.Be3 Qf6 12.f3 Nf4 13.d5 Ne7 14.g3 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Qg6= Borisek-Zorko, Vidmar Memorial 2011] 10.0-0 c5 11.f4 exd4 12.cxd4 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Qb6 14.Qc3 Nc6 15.Be3 Re8 16.Rae1 Qd8 17.Bf2 Ng4 18. Nxc6 bxc6 19.Bd4 f6 20.c5 Be6 21.h3 Nh6 22.f5 Bf7 [22...dxc5 23.Qxc5 Bf7 24.e5 fxe5 25.Rxe5 Bd5 26.Rxe8+ Qxe8 27.f6 g6 28.Qc2 Qf7 29.Qc1+] 23.cxd6 Qxd6 24.e5+- fxe5 25.Bxe5 Qf8 26.Rf3 Bd5 27.Rg3 Rxe5 28. Rxe5 Kh8 29.Qe1 Black resigns [29...Qxa3 30.f6 gxf6 31.Rh5 Qf8 32.Qd2+] 1-0

*Sicilian B37*

Haizhou Xu 2080 (Tx Tech)

Andre Diamont 2514 (NYU)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.c4 g6 2.Nc3 Bg7 3.Nf3 c5 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nc6 6.Nc2 Nf6 7.e4 d6 8.Be2 Nd7 9.Be3 Nc5 10.Qd2 0-0 11.f3 a5 12.0-0 a4 13.Rfd1 Qa5 14.Nd4 Be6 15. Rac1 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 17. Qxd4 Qb6 18.Rd2 Nd7 19.Qxb6 Nxb6 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Rfc8 22.Rdc2 Rxc2 23.Rxc2 Kf8 24.Rc7 a3 25.Rxb7 Na4 26.bxa3 Nc5 27.Rb2 Rxa3 28.Kf2 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Ke1 Kf7



31.Kd1 Kf6 32.Rd2 h5 33.Kc1 h4 34.Kb2 Re3 35.h3 Na4+ 36. Kc1 Ke5 37.Bb5 Nb6 38.f4+ Kxf4 39.a4 Ke5 40.Bc6 Nc4 41. Ra2 Kd4 42.Kc2 f4 43.Kd1 f3 44.gxf3 Rxf3 45.Bd7 Rg3 46. Ke1 Ne5 47.Be6 Nd3+ 48.Kf1 Nb4 49.Ra1 Nc2 50.Rb1 Ra3 51.Rb7 Ne3+ 52.Kf2 Nxd5 53. Bxd5 Kxd5 54.Rxe7 Rxh3 55.Rh7 Kc4 56.a5 d5 57.a6 d4 58.a7 Ra3 59.Rxh4 Rxa7 60. Rh3 d3 61.Rh8 Kc3 0-1

*English Opening A36*

Mark Heimann 2432 (U. Wash.)

Zhe Quan 2451 (NYU)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (3)*

1.g3 g6 2.Bg2 Bg7 3.c4 c5 4.Nc3 Nc6 5.a3 a5 6.Nf3 Nh6

7.0-0 Nf5 8.d3 0-0 9.Bd2 d6  
10.Rb1 Bd7 11.Nb5 a4 12.b3  
axb3 13.Qxb3 Ra6 14.Bc3 b6  
15.Ra1 Qc8 16.Rfb1 Nfd4 17.  
Nbx4 cxd4 18.Bd2 Qc7 19.Ne1  
Rfa8 20.Nc2 R8a7? [20...Rb8±]



21.Bxc6 Bxc6 22.Nb4± Ba4  
23.Nxa6 Rxa6 24.Qb2 h5 25.  
Qc1 h4 26.Qf1 e5 27.f3 hgx3  
28.hxg3 f5 29.Qh3 Bd7 30.Qh4  
Ra8 31.Bh6 Bc6 32.Qg5 Kf7 33.  
Bxg7 Kxg7 34.Kf2 Be8 35.Rh1  
Bf7 36.Rh6 Qd8 37.Qxd8 Rxd8  
38.Rhh1 d5 39.cxd5 Rxd5 40.  
Rhb1 b5 41.a4 bxa4 42.Rxa4  
Rd7 43.f4 exf4 44.gxf4 Kh6 45.  
Rbb4 g5 46.Rxd4 Re7 47.Rd6+  
Kh5 48.fxg5 Kxg5 49.Ra5 Bh5  
50.e4 Bg4 51.exf5 Re2+ 52.Kf1  
Rd2 53.f6+ Kh4 54.Rd4 Rd1+  
55.Kf2 Rd2+ 56.Ke1 Rd1+ 57.  
Kf2 Rd2+ 58.Ke3 Re2+ 59.Kf4  
Rf2+ 60.Ke4 and Black soon  
resigned 1-0

## Round 4

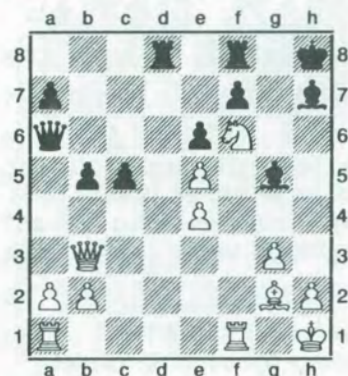
### QGD Slav D23

Giorgi Marvelashvili 2538 (UMBC)  
Mauricio Flores 2603 (UTB)

### Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (4)

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Qb3  
dxc4 5.Qxc4 Bf5 6.g3 Nbd7  
7.Bg2 e6 8.Nc3 Be7 9.Qb3 Qb6  
10.Nd2 0-0 11.e4 Bg6 12.Nc4  
Qa6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Bh7?!  
[△14...Rfe8 15.0-0 b5 16.Ne5

(16.Nd2 e5 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.d5  
Nc5? Mchedishvili-Kotanjian,  
Kusadasi 2006) 16...Nxe5 17.  
dxe5 Nd7 18.Bxe7 Rxe7 19.f4=]  
15.f4 b5 16.Ne5 g5? [16...Rad8  
17.0-0 Qb6 18.Kh1±] 17.fxg5  
hxg5 18.Bxg5 Nxe5 19.dxe5  
Nd5 20.Nxd5 ["Keep it simple."  
Messier is 20.exd5 Bxg5 21.dxc6  
b4! 22.Qxb4 Qd3 23.Rd1 Qe3+  
24.Ne2 Bc2 25.Rd7 Bd3 26.Rxd3  
Qxd3 27.Qd4 Qb1+ 28.Kf2 Qf5+  
29.Bf3±] 20...Bxg5 21.Nf6+ Kh8  
22.0-0 Rad8 23.Kh1 c5



24.Nxh7! Kxh7 25.Qf3 Bd2  
[25...Bh6 26.Qh5 Kg7 27.Rf6+]  
26.Rf2 Qa5 27.Raf1 Rd7 28.  
Qh5+ Kg7 29.Bh3 Qb4 30.Qg4+  
Kh7 31.Qh4+ Kg7 32.Bxe6 Rd4  
33.Rxf7+ Rxf7 34.Rxf7+ Kg6  
35.Qh7+ Kg5 36.h4# 1-0

### Sicilian Closed B26

Haotian Zheng 2017 (Princeton)  
Zhe Quan 2451 (NYU)

### Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (4)

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.  
Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 e6 6.Be3 d6 7.  
Qd2 Qa5 8.Nge2 Nd4 9.0-0 Ne7  
10.Nxd4 [10.Nc1 0-0 11.Nb3  
Qc7] 10...cxd4 11.Ne2 Qxd2 12.  
Bxd2 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rc8 [13...Nc8  
14.f4 a5 15.Be1± Vastrukhin-  
Sanchez Maya, Kemer 2009]  
14.Rac1 Rc6 15.c4 [15.c3 Rb6  
16.a3 dxc3 17.bxc3 f5=] 15...Rb6  
16.Ba3 Nc6 17.Rc2 Nb4

18.Bxb4 Rxb4 19.Nc1?! [19.f4=]  
19...a5 20.Ne2 Ke7 21.f4 f5 22.  
Rb1 Rc8 23.a3 Rb6 24.b3 [24.  
exf5 gxf5 25.b4 d5 26.c5 axb4  
27.axb4 Ra6? 24...fxe4 25.Bxe4  
d5? 26.Bf3 a4 [26...dxc4 27.  
Rxc4 Rxc4 28.dxc4 d3 29.Nc1 d2  
30.Nd3 Bc6? 27.b4 [27.Rcb2  
Rxb3 28.Rxb3 axb3 29.Rxb3  
dxc4 30.dxc4 Rxc4 31.Bxb7  
Ba4? 27...dxc4 28.Rxc4 Rxc4  
29.dxc4 d3 30.Nc1 Rd6 31.Kf2  
d2 32.Na2 Rd3+ 33.Rd1 Bd4+  
34.Kg2 Be3 35.b5 Rxa3 36.Nb4  
Rc3 37.Bxb7 Rxc4 38.Kf3 Rc1  
39.Kxe3 Rxd1 40.Nc6+ Bxc6  
41.bxc6 Kd6 42.Ke2 Rc1 43.  
Kxd2 Rc5 44.c7 a3 45.c8Q  
Rxc8 46.Bxc8 a2 0-1

### Pirc Defense B07

Martyn del Castillo 2211 (U. Win-  
chester)

Trey Modin 1919 (Texas Tech-C)

### Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (4)

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Bd3 e5 4.c3  
d5 5.dxe5 Nxe4 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.0-0  
Bg4 8.Nbd2 Nc5 9.Bc2 Ne6  
10.Re1 Be7 11.Nf1 [11.h3 Bh5  
12.Nf1 d4= Fassio-Pulito, Turin  
2011] 11...d4 12.Qe2 Qd5 13.  
Be4 Qc5 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Bxf3  
Rd8 16.Ng3 d3 17.Qe3 Qxe3  
18.Bxe3 Nxe5 19.Bxb7 Nc4 20.  
Bc6+ Kf8 21.b3 d2 22.Red1  
Nxe3 23.fxe3



23...Ba3 [23...Bh4 24. Ne4 Be1  
25.c4 f5 26.Nc3 Rd6?] 24.Ne4

Bb2 25.Rab1 Bc1 26.Kf2 f5  
 27.Ng3 Nc5? [27...Rd3 28. Nxf5  
 Rxc3 29.Bd5 Ng5 30.Nd4 Ke7=]  
 28.Nxf5 Nd3+ 29.Ke2 Nb2  
 30.Rdxc1 d1Q+ [30...dxc1Q 31.  
 Rxc1+-] 31.Rxd1 Nxd1 32.Rxd1  
 Rxd1 33.Kxd1 Kf7 34.Ke2 Ke6  
 35.Nd4+ Kd6 36.a4 1-0

## Round 5

*Caro-Kann B18*

Leonid Kritz 2658 (UMCB)

Valentin Yotov 2611 (UTD)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (5)*

1.e4 c6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 dxe4  
 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Nc5 b6 6.Nb3 e6  
 7.Nf3 Bd6 8.Bg5 Ne7 9.Nh4 Bg6  
 10.Qe2 Nd7 11.g3 Nf6 12.Nxg6  
 hxg6 13.Bg2 Rc8 14.0-0-0 0-0  
 15.h4 Nh7 16.Nd2 Re8 17.Ne4  
 f6 18.Bd2 Kf7 19.f4 Nf5 20.c3  
 Be7 21.g4 Nh6 22.Bf3 g5 23.  
 hxg5 fxg5 24.f5 Bf6 25.Nxf6  
 Qxf6 26.fxe6+ Qxe6 27.Qd3  
 Kg8 28.Rde1 Qf7 29.Rxe8+  
 Qxe8 30.Be4 Nf6 31.Bg6 Qd8  
 32.Bxg5?? [32.Re1+-]



32...Qd5 33.Bxf6 Qxh1+ 34.Kc2  
 [illegible ... Black won in a few  
 more moves.] 0-1

*QGD Slav D15*

Conrad Holt 2650 (UTD)

Sabina Foisor 2413 (UMCB)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (5)*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3  
 a6 5.e3 b5 6.b3 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3  
 8.Qxf3 e5 9.dxe5 Bb4 10.Bd2  
 Bxc3 11.Bxc3 Ne4 12.Bb4 bxc4  
 13.Qg4 g6 [Black has fared bet-  
 ter with 13...c5 14.f3 cxb4 15.  
 fxe4 0-0 16.exd5=] 14.Bxc4!?N  
 [14.bxc4 h5 15.Qd1 c5 16.Qa4+  
 Nd7 17.Ba5± Demin-Dovgpolov,  
 Kurgan 2010] 14...Nd7 15.0-0  
 Qb8 16.Ba3 Nxe5 17.Qh4 g5  
 18.Qh6 dxc4 19.f3 Qb6? [19...  
 Nd3 20.Qf6 Kd7 21.Rad1 c3 22.  
 Bb2±; 19...Ng6! 20.fxe4 Qe5 =]



20.fxe4 Qxe3+ 21.Kh1 0-0-0  
 22.Rxf7! Ng6 [22...Nxf7 23.  
 Qxc6+ Kb8 24.bxc4+-] 23.Qg7  
 Rhg8 24.Qf6 Qxe4 25. Bd6 Rd7  
 26.Rxd7 Kxd7 27.Rd1 Qe2 28.  
 Qf5+ Ke8 29.Rd4 Ne7 30.Bxe7  
 g4 31.Rd8+ Kxe7 32. Rd7+ 1-0

*Gruenfeld Defense D94*

Luciana Morales 2156 (UTB-B)

Patrycja Labedz 2365 (UTD-B)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (5)*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e3  
 g6 5.Nf3 Bg7 6.b3 0-0 7.Be2 Bf5  
 8.Ne5 Nbd7 9.f4 Ne4 10.Nxe4  
 Bxe4 11.Nxd7 Qxd7 12.0-0 c5  
 13.Bb2 Rfd8 14.Bf3 Bxf3  
 15.Qxf3 cxd4 16.Rfd1 dxc4  
 17.Bxd4 Qe6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7  
 19.bxc4 Rac8 20.Rd5 Rxd5  
 21.cxd5 Qb6 22.Re1 Rc2  
 23.Qe4 Qb2 24.a4 Qc3 25.Qe5+  
 Qxe5 26.fxe5 Rd2 27.e4 Rd4  
 28.a5 f6 29.Rb1 ½-½

*Sicilian Rauzer B63*

Andre Diamont 2514 (Tx Tech)

Nick Karlow 2106 (U. Wash.)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (5)*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4  
 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bg5 e6  
 7.Qd2 Be7 8.0-0-0 0-0 9.f3 a6  
 10.Kb1 Qc7 11.h4 b5 12.Nxc6  
 Qxc6 13.Bd3 Bb7 14.e5!?N  
 [14.h5 b4 (14...h6 15.Bxh6 gxh6  
 16.Qxh6 Qc5 17.Rh3 Qe5 18.f4  
 Ng4 19.Rg3+-) 15.Ne2 a5 16.g4  
 Qc5 17.Be3 Qc7 18.g5 Nd7  
 19.g6 Ne5 20.Nd4 Qd7 21.Rdg1  
 Bf6 22.Qh2 fvg6 23.hxg6 hxg6  
 24.Bb5 Nc6 25.Rxg6 Rf7 26.Qh5  
 Re7 27.Bg5 Kf8 28.Rxg7 Qc8  
 29.Bxf6!? 1-0, Battsetseg-  
 Saraiva, Moscow 1994(29.Qh8#)]  
 14...b4? [14...dxe5 15.Bxf6 (15.  
 Ne4 Nd5 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.h5  
 Nd5 18.h6 g6) 15...Bxf6 16.Be4  
 (16.Ne4 Be7) 16...Qc8 17.h5 and  
 White's compensation for the  
 pawn is murky at best]



15.Bxf6 gxf6 [15...bxc3 16.Qg5]  
 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Qh6 1-0

*Sicilian Wing Gambit B20*

Faik Aleskerov 2448 (Tx Tech-B)

Andrew Shvartsman 2289 (NYU)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (5)*

1.e4 c5 2.a3 e6 3.b4 cxb4  
 4.axb4 Bxb4 5.Bb2 Nf6 6.e5  
 Nd5 7.c4 Nc7 8.Nh3 0-0 9.Bd3  
 Qh4 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Re1 d5

12.exd6 Bxd6 13.c5 Be7 14.Ra4 Qh6 15.Nf4 Nd5 16.g3 Nxf4 17.Rxf4 Bg5 18.Ra4 Bf6 19.Ree4 e5 20.Rh4 Qg5 21.Bxh7+ Kh8  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

*Sicilian Najdorf B90*

Spencer Bledsoe 2011 (U. Chicago)  
Lara Armas 1964 (UNM)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (5)*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Rg1 e5 7.Nb3 Be6 8.g4 Qc7 9.g5 Nfd7 10.Be3 Nc6 11.Qd2 b5 12.0-0 Rc8 13.f4 Nb6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nb8 16.fxe5 Be7 17.Bxb6 Qxb6 18.e6 0-0 19.exf7+ Kh8 20.Bd3 Rxf7 21.Rg2 Rcf8 22.Bxh7 Rf2 23.Rxf2 Rxf2 24.Qd3 Bxg5+ 25.Kb1 Rxh2 26.Re1 Qd8 27.Bg6 Bf4 28.Nd4 Be5 29.a3 Nd7 30.Re3 Qh4 31.Re4 Qf2 32.b3 Nc5 33.Qc3 [33.Qe3 Nxe4] 33...Qxc2+ 0-1

## Round 6

*Bogo-Indian E11*

Valentin Yotov 2611 (UTD)  
Timur Gareyev 2724 (UTB)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (6)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Bb4+ 4.Nbd2 a5 5.a3 Bxd2+ 6.Bxd2 b6 7.e3 Bb7 8.Bd3 Ne4 9.0-0 [9.Bxe4 Bxe4 10.d5 0-0 11.Bc3 c5 12.Nd2 Bg6 13.h4 f6 14.h5 Bf7 15.h6 e5 16.hxg7+- Werle-Simutowe, Hoogeveens 2007] 9...0-0 10.b4 d6 11.Qc2 f5 12.bxa5 Nxd2 13.Nxd2 Rxa5 14.c5 Qg5 15.e4 bxc5 16.Nb3 fxe4 17.Bxe4 Ra7 18.dxc5 Bxe4 19.Qxe4 Qe5 20.Qd3 [20.Qxe5 dxe5 21.Rfd1 Nc6 22.Rd7 Rf4 23.Kf1 Rfa4 24.Ke2 Kf8 25.Kd2 Rg4 26.g3 Ke8 27.h3=] 20...Nc6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.Rac1 Ne7 23.Nd4 [23.Rce1 Qd5 24.Qxd5 exd5 25.Nd4 Nf5 26.Nxf5 Rxf5 27.Re3±] 23...Ra4 24.Rcd1 Qd5

\*25.Qe3 Rf6 26.Rfe1 e5 27.Ne2 [27.Nf3=] 27...Qa8! 28.Qb6 [28.Ra1=] 28...Nf5



29.Ng3 [29.Qb3+ Kh8 30.Rd3 Nh4 31.Rg3=] 29...Nd4± 30.Rc1 [30.Rb1 Ra6±] 30...h6 31.Rc7 Rxa3 32.Rec1 Ra1 33.h3 Qa2 34.Rc8+?? [34.Rxa1 Qxa1+ 35.Kh2 Qa2±] 34...Kh7 35.Ne4 Rg6 36.Rxa1 [36.Ng3 Rxc3 37.fxg3 Ne2+-; 36.Kh2 Rxc1 37.Rxc1 d5-+] 36...Qxa1+ 37.Kh2



White resigned, seeing 37...Nf3+ 38.gxf3 Qg1#. 0-1

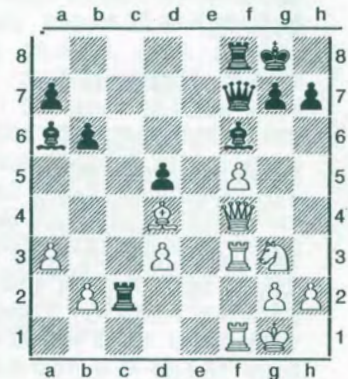
*French Defense C11*

Leonid Kritz 2658 (UMBC)  
Puchen Wang 2523 (UTD-B)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (6)*

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 Be7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bd3 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Nc5 11.0-0 Nxd4 12.Bxd4

b6 13.Qe2 Nxd3 14.cxd3 Ba6 15.Qe3 Rc8 16.Rf3 Bc5 17.Ne2 f5 18.exf6 Qxf6 19.Raf1 Qf5 20.a3 Be7 21.Ng3 Qf7 22.f5 e5 23.Qxe5 Bf6 24.Qf4 Rc2



25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.Nh5 Qxb2 27.Rg3 g6 28.f6 White artfully exploits Black's weak dark squares. 28...Rf7 29.Re1 Rc8 30.Rge3 Rcf8 31.Re8 Qxa3 32. R1e7 Rxe7 33.Rxe7 Kh8 34.h3 1-0

*Nimzo-Indian E20*

Tyler Hughes 2363 (UTD-B)

Giorgi Margvelashvili 2538 (UMBC)

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (6)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.f3 d5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 c6 7.e4 dxe4 8.fxe4 e5 9.Nf3 Bg4 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.0-0 c5 [11...0-0 12.Bg5 Qa5 13.Bxf6 Nxf6 14.Qb3 Bxf3 15.Rxf3 Qb6 16.Rb1 exd4 17.Qxb6 axb6 18.cxd4± Volkov-Jenni blitz 2006] 12.d5 0-0 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qe1 Bh5 15.Nh4 Bg6 16.Rf3 Ne8 17.Rh3 Nd6 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 e4 20.Bc2 Nf6 21.Bg5 Qd8 22.Qf2 Re8 23.Rf1 h6 24.Qh4 Kf8 25.Be3 b6 26.Ba4 Nxc4 [26...Re5 27.Bf4 Nxf5 28.Qe1 Re7 29.Bc1 Re5 30.Bc6 Rc8 31.Bb7 Rc7 32.Bf4±] 27.Bxe8 Nxe3 28.Rxe3 Qxe8 29.Qf4 Rd8 30.c4 Kg8 31.g4 Qa4 32.g5? [32.Rc1 Re8 33.h4±] 32...hxg5 33.Qxg5 Qxc4± 34.Rg3 Qd4+ 35.Kh1 Kf8□ 36.

**Qxg7+ Ke7 37.Qg5 Qxd5 38. Re3 Rg8 39.Qf4 Kd7 40.Rg1? [40.Rfe1?] 40...Rxcg1+ 41.Kxcg1 Qd1+ 42.Qf1? [42.Kg2 Qc2+ 43. Kh3 Nd5 44.Qxe4 Nxe3 45.Qxe3 Qxf5+-+] 42...Qd4 43.Qb5+ Ke7 0-1**

*Pirc Defense B08*

**Andrew Ryba 2221 (U. Columbia)**

**Andre Diamont 2514 (NYU)**

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (6)*

**1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 c6 7.a4 Qc7 8.e5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nbd7 10.Bf4 Qd8 11.Bf3 a5 12.Re1 Nb6 13.Qd2 Nbd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.c4 dxc4 16.Nxc4 e6 17. Rac1 Nd5 18.Bxd5 exd5 19.Nd6 Qb6 20.Nb5 Bd7 21.Nc7 Rad8 22.Nxd5 Qxd4 23.Qxd4 Bxd4 24.Bc7 Rde8 25.Ne7+ Kh8 26.**

**Rcd1 Be6 27.Rxd4 Rxe7 28. Bxa5 Rc8 29.Bc3 Kg8 30.f3 Rd7 31.Red1 Rxd4 32.Rxd4 h6 33. Kf2 g5 34.h4 gxh4 35.Rxh4 Kh7 36.Bd2 Rc2 37.Ke1 Rxb2 38. Rxh6+ Kg7 39.Bc3+ Kxh6 1/2-1/2**

*Sicilian Sveshnikov B33*

**Ananth Rajaraman 2123 (Az. State)**

**Andrew Shvartsman 2289 (NYU)**

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (6)*

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nd5 Bg7 11.Bd3 Ne7 12. Nxe7 Qxe7 13.c4 f5 14.cxb5 d5 15.exd5 e4 16.0-0 Bxb2 17.Nc4 Bxa1 18.Qxa1 0-0 19.Bc2 axb5 20.Ne5 Bb7 21.Bb3 Qd6 22.Qc3 f4 23.Qd4 Rfe8 24.Ng4 Ra6 25.h3 h5 26.Nh2 Qe5 27.Qc5 Rg6 28.Re1 Qg5 29.Ng4 hxg4**

**30.Qxb5 Re7 31.h4 Qxh4 32.d6 Rh6 33.Kf1 f3 0-1**

*KI Attack A05*

**Rheanna English 1722 (UTD-C)**

**Miguel Asher 1876 (UWINMN)**

*Pan-Am Intercollegiate 2011 (0)*

**1.Nf3 e6 2.g3 b6 3.Bg2 Bb7 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 Be7 6.e4 d6 7.Nbd2 Nbd7 8.Re1 0-0 9.Nc4 c5 10.Bf4 Nb8 11.Nfd2 e5 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.c3 g6 15.f4 Nc6 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Nf3 Qc7 18.Rc1 Rad8 19.f5 gxf5 20.exf5 Nd5 21.Ng4 Bg7 22.Qd2 Kh7 23.h4 f6 24.h5 Ne7 [24...Qf7] 25.Nh4 Rfe8 26.Ne3 d5 27.Qe2 Qd6 28.Qg4 Rd7 29.Ng6 d4 30.Nxe7 Rxe7 31.Qg6+ Kh8 32.Bxb7 Rxb7 33.Ng4 Rbd7 34.c4 Qc6 35.Nxh6 Bxh6 36.Qxh6+ Rh7 37.Qf8# 1-0**



UT Dallas "A" team (left to right): GM Valentin Yotov, GM Julio Sadorra, TD Guadalupe in background, GM Cristian Chirila, IM Salvijus Bercys, IM Conrad Holt & IM Milos Pavlovic

# San Antonio Invitational Tournament

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Tot	Prize
1	Gregg Stanley	2051	D3	L7	W5	W8	W4	W2	W6	5.5	\$500
2	Don C. Sutherland	2175	W6	W8	W3	D4	D7	L1	W5	5.0	\$400
3	Ernesto Malazarte	2106	D1	D6	L2	W7	W5	W8	D4	4.5	\$300
4	Selby Anderson	2204	L7	L5	W8	D2	L1	W6	D3	3.0	\$175
5	Martin D Gordon	2005	D8	W4	L1	D6	L3	W7	L2	3.0	\$175
6	Mark Harden	2011	L2	D3	W7	D5	W8	L4	L1	3.0	\$175
7	Andrew N. Lozano	2035	W4	W1	L6	L3	D2	L5	L8	2.5	\$175
8	Andrew Istafanous	1858	D5	L2	L4	L1	L6	L3	W7	1.5	\$175

It is rare that we see commercial sponsorship of Texas chess in recent years; the Church's International in San Antonio 1972 is almost 40 years behind us. It was a bold step when the Main Plaza Conservancy, a consortium of shop keepers near Bexar County Courthouse and San Fernando Cathedral, offered to pitch in on an invitational chess tournament. Jane Pauley-Flores of MPC worked with SACC president Gregg Stanley to create an open air, European style round robin spread out over nine days (Oct. 15-23).

We did not get the hoped-for response from titled players, most of whom are in college and had maxed out their leave days for tournaments. This impacted the prize fund given the terms of the contract; however, a benefactor with the US Chess Trust happened to be in town for a conference, and pitched in generously.

The weather was mostly pleasant as was the ambience. There was some unexpected entertainment in the form a march by Occupy San Antonio protesters, and some live

amplified music in front of the courthouse. Occasionally a street person would try to get a pick-up game and grumble something like "I get it, you're too good to play me!"

There, I'm done with my excuses for a mediocre performance! That is not to take away from the fact that Lozano and Gordon stepped up their play with some nice tactics to score upset wins. I would have finished at 50% if I had not turned down a draw offer from Gregg Stanley and self-destructed.

## French Defense C05

Selby Anderson 2204

A. Nathanael Lozano 2035

### San Antonio Invitational

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.f3 d5 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 e6 6.Nd2 c5 7.c3 Nc6 8.Ndf3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Be7 10.Bd3 0-0 11.Ne2 Nb6 12. 0-0 Bd7 13.a3 a6 14.g4?! [14.b3 Na7 15.Bd2 Bb5 16. Bb1±] 14...f6 15.Bc2 Rc8 16. Qd3 g6 17.exf6 [17.b3 Qc7 18.Ra2=] 17...Bxf6 18.Nc3 Qe7 19.Re1 Qg7 20.Ne5 Nc4 21.Rb1 N4xe5 22.fxe5



22...Bxe5!? [22...Bh4±] 23.dxe5 Nxe5 24.Rxe5 Qxe5 25.Bh6 Rf7± 26.Bb3 Bc6 27.Qg3 Qf6 28.h4 Re8 29.Bg5 Qg7 30.Re1 Ref8 31.Bd1? [31.Rxe6? Rf3 32.Qe5 Rf1+ 33.Kh2 R8f2+ 34.Kg3 Qf8+; 31.Qe3! d4 (31... Re8 32.Qg3 b5 33.Be3=) 32.Qxe6 dxc3 (32...Kh8 33.Ne4=) 33.Bf6 Qh6 34.Bg5=] 31...d4 32.Ne2 Rf3+ 33.Qd6 Rh3 [33...Qf7+] 34.Ng3? [34.Nf4□ Rh1+ 35.Kf2 h6 36.Rxh1 hxg5 37.Qxe6+ Q7±] 34...Qf7 0-1

## Notes by Mark Harden

### Pirc Defense B07

Mark Harden 2011

Don Sutherland 2175

### San Antonio Invitational

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f3 c6 5.Bc4 [5.Be3, but I was concerned about 5...Qb6 (5...Bg7 6.Qd2 b5 7.g4) 6.a3 Bg7 (6...Qxb2? 7.Na4) 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nge2 e5 9.0-0±] 5...Qa5 6.Nge2 Bg7 7.Bb3 [I wanted to answer ...d5 with e5, but needed to remove the pin immediately 7.0-0 b5 8.Bb3 Nbd7 9.a3 Bb7 (9...b4 10.Na4) 10.Qd3 0-0 11.Bd2±; 7.Be3 d5 (7...Qb4 8.Bb3) 8.Bd3 dxe4 9.fxe4 0-0=] 7...Nbd7 8.Be3± b5 9.Qd2 Bb7 [9...Nb6 10.0-0 Nc4 11.Bxc4 bxc4 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Be6 14.Rfe1±] 10.Bh6?! [10.0-0 0-0 11.a3 Rfd8 12.Ba2 e5±; 10.a3 0-0 11.0-0 c5 12.Ba2 c4 13.g4=] 10...Bxh6 [10...0-0 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.0-0 c5 13.a3 Qb6 14.Rad1=] 11.Qxh6



11...c5! 12.Qg7 [12.dxc5 dxc5 (12...b4 13.Nd1 Nxc5 14.Ne3 Nxb3 15.cxb3 Ba6=) 13.a3 b4 14.Nd5 c4 15.Bxc4 Bxd5 16.Bxd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 bxa3+ 18.c3 axb2 19.Rxa5 b1Q+ 20.Qc1 Qb6 21.Qa1 0-0 22.Nd4=] 12...Rf8± 13.dxc5 dxc5 [13...Nxc5 14.Qh6 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.Bxd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Nd7 (17...b3+ 18.Qd2)

18.Qd2±] 14.Bd5 [At first it looks like White can extract his bishop with 14.a3 but after 14...b4 15.Nd5 bxa3+ 16.Ndc3 c4 17.Bxc4 (17.Rxa3 Qg5 18.Bxc4 Qxg2±) 17...Qg5 18.bxa3 (18.Rxa3 Qxg2 19.Ng3 Qxc2+) 18...Rc8+] 14...Bxd5 15.exd5 b4! [15...Nxd5 16.Kf2 N5f6 17.Rhd1=] 16.Ne4 Nxd5 [1:10] 17.c3 [1:05] [17.0-0 Qb6 18.c3 0-0 19.Rf2 f5 20.Ng5 Rg8+; 17.Kf2 Qb6 18.Rhd1 c4+ 19.Qd4 f5 20.Qxb6 N7xb6 21.Nc5 Rc8 22.Ne6 Rf6 23.N2d4±] 17...Ne3 [17...0-0 18.0-0 Qb6 19.Kh1 f5 20.Ng5 Rg8 21.Qxh7 Rh8 22.Qg7±] 18.Kf2 Nf5 19.Qxh7



19...c4 20.g4? [20.Nd4 Qb6 (=20...Ne5+) 21.Rhe1 (21.Rhd1 e5 22.g4 exd4! 23.gxf5 dxc3+ 24.Kg2 cxb2 25.Rab1 0-0-0+ (25...c3? 26.Nd6+ Kd8 27.Nxf7±)) 21...e5 22.Kf1 exd4 23.Nd6+ Kd8+] 20...Qb6++ 21.Kg2 Ne3+ 22.Kg3 f5 23.Ng5 [23.gxf5 0-0-0!] 23...fxg4 24.f4?! [24.Nd4 bxc3 25.bxc3 0-0-0 26.Rae1 gxf3! 27.Rxe3 Qb8+ 28.Kh3 (28.Kf2 Qb2+) 28...Nf6 29.-ΔRh8] 24...Qf6 [More precise is 24...0-0-0 winning immediately 25.h4 Qc6 26.Rhg1 Nf5+] 25.Ne4? [25.Kf2 Nd5] 25...Qc6! 26.Ng5 Qg2+ and mate in 1

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## Notes by Mark Harden

### French Tarrasch D00

Ernesto Malazarte 2106

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### San Antonio Invitational

1.d4 e6 B/0 0 2.Nd2 d5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Bd3 c5 5.c3= Nc6 6.f4 Be7 [6...Bd6 7.Ngf3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nb4 9.Bb1 Bd7 10.a3 Nc6 11.0-0 0-0±] 7.Ngf3 [7.Qe2 0-0 8.Ngf3 Bd7 9.Ne5=] 7...c4 8.Bc2 Ng4!? [8...b5 9.0-0 0-0 10.e4 dxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxe4 12.Bxe4±] 9.Qe2 f5 10.0-0 b5 11.Ne5 Ngxe5 12.dxe5 [To make room for a N at d4. 12.fxe5 0-0 13.e4!? dxe4 14.Nxe4 Bb7 (14...fxe4? 15.Qxe4) 15.Nd6 Bxd6 16.exd6 Qxd6=] 12...0-0= 13.Nf3 Bd7 14.Nd4 [1:56] 14...Qb6 [1:26] [14...b4 15.Bd2 Qa5 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.g4 Ba4 18.cxb4 Bxb4 19.Bxa4 Qxa4 20.b3 Qa5 21.Bxb4 Qxb4 22.bxc4 Qxc4 23.Qxc4 dxc4=] 15.g4 g6 [15...fxg4 16.Qxg4 Nxd4 17.exd4 Rf7 18.Rf3 b4 19.Rg3 Bf8±] 16.Kh1 [16.gxf5 exf5 17.Bd2 Nxd4 18.exd4 a5=] 16...Kh8 [16...fxg4!? 17.Rg1 (17.Qxg4? Nxe5) 17...Nxd4 18.exd4 g3 19.Rxg3 Be8=] 17.Rg1 Rg8 [17...b4 18.gxf5 exf5 19.Bd2 a5=] 18.Bd2 Nxd4 I was concerned with Nf3 and the White N getting involved in the K-side attack. 19.exd4 Raf8 20.Rg2 Rf7 [20...Qd8 21.Rag1 a5 22.h4 fxg4 23.Rxg4 Be8±] 21.Rag1 [21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Rxg8+ Kxg8 23.Rg1+ Rg7 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 25.Qg2+ Kh8=] 21...Rfg7 22.Qf3 [22.h4!? White must only play h4 when Black cannot respond with h5. 22...a6 23.h5 gxh5 24.gxf5 exf5 25.Rxg7 Rg7 26.Rxg7 Kxg7 27.Qxh5 Qg6 28.Qf3±] 22...Qd8 23.Qh3 Qf8 24.Be1 Qd8 25.Qh6 [1:43] 25...Qf8 [0:47] 26.Qh3 [26.Bh4!? Rf7 27.Qxf8 Rgxf8 28.Bxe7 Rxe7 29.gxf5 gxf5

30.h4±] 26...Qd8 to prevent Bh4  
27.a3 a5 28.Qg3 Qf8



29.h4 [29.Bd1 To play h4 without  
allowing ...h5 29...fxg4 30.Qxg4  
b4 31.axb4 axb4 32.Bd2 Qd8=]  
29...h5= Seals off the K-side  
30.gxf5 gxf5 31.Qf3 Qf7  
32.Rxg7 Rxg7 33.Rxg7 Kxg7  
34.Bd1 Kh6 35.Kh2 a4 36.Kh3  
Qg6=  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

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*Pirc Defense B07*

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A. Nathanael Lozano 2035

*San Antonio Invitational*

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Be3  
Bg7 5.Qd2 [5.f3 c6 6.Qd2 b5  
7.g4 h5 8.g5 Nfd7 9.f4 Nb6  
10.Nf3±] 5...0-0 Castling into it!  
6.f3 e5 7.0-0-0 [7.d5; 7.Nge2]  
7...exd4 [7...Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.g4±]  
8.Bxd4 Nc6 Fritz gives = after  
this move, but I thought it  
gummed up Black's Q-side  
counterplay 9.Be3 Be6 10.Bh6  
[10.h4 Re8 (10...h5?! 11.Nh3 a6  
12.Ng5±) 11.Nge2 d5=] 10...a6  
[10...Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Qe7 12.Nge2  
Ne5=] 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.g4 b5  
[1:47] 13.Kb1 [1:35] [Δ13.g5 Nh5  
14.Nd5 threatening Qc3+ 14...  
Kg8 15.f4±] 13...Re8 [1:30] 14.h4  
[14.g5?! Nh5 15.f4 Bg4 16.Be2  
Qd7 (16...Bxe2?! 17.Ngxe2 b4  
18.Nd5! Rxe4 19.Ng3 Nxg3 20.

hxg3+-] 17.Qe3±] 14...Qd7?!  
[1:21] [Δ14...Ne5 15.g5 Nh5 16.  
f4 Ng4 17.Nf3 b4 18.Nd5 Bxd5  
19.exd5 Qb8=] 15.h5± [1:22]  
15...Rad8?! [1:14] [15... Ne5  
16.h6+ Kg8 17.g5 b4 18. gxf6  
bxc3 19.Qxc3±] 16.hxg6 [Δ16.  
Nge2 b4 17.Nd5 Bxd5□ 18.exd5  
Ne5 19.hxg6 f6 20.g5 Nh5  
21.Nd4+-] 16...fxg6 17. Nge2+-  
[1:00] 17...Qf7 [0:49] 18.Nf4  
Kg8? [18...Ne5 19.g5 Nh5 20.  
Nxe6 gxh5 21.f4 b4 22.Nd5  
Bxd5 23.exd5 Ng6 24. Qxb4 Nxf4  
25.Bxa6 Nxd5 26. Qd4+ Re5  
27.Bc4 c6 28.Rdf1+-] 19.g5 Nh5  
[0:36] [19...Nd7? 20. Nxe6 Rxe6  
21.Bh3 Re7 22.Bxd7 Rxd7 23.  
Nd5+-] 20.Nxe5 [0:53] 20...gxh5  
21.f4 Bg4



[0:23] 22.Nd5! [22.Be2 Bxe2  
23.Qxe2 d5 (23...Qxf4? 24.Qxh5)  
24.Qg2 Ne7 25.exd5 Nf5  
26.Rd3+-] 22...Bxd1 23.Nf6+  
[0:41] [Also 23.Qxd1 Kh8 24.Bg2  
Rg8 25.Rxh5 Rg7 26.f5+-]  
23...Kf8 [23...Kh8 24.Qxd1 d5  
25.e5 Nxe5 26.Rxh5 Ng6 27.  
Bd3; 23...Kg7 24.Qxd1 Re6  
25.Qf3 Rxf6 26.Qc3] 24.Qxd1  
Re6 [7:26] [24...Nb4 25.b3;  
24...d5 25.e5 Nxe5 26.fxe5 Rxe5  
27.Bd3+-] 25.Rxh5 [0:37] 25...  
Rxf6 26.gxf6 Qxf6? He was  
aware the pawn was poisoned,  
this was capitulation [26...Nd4  
27.Bd3 Qxf6? 28.c3] 27.Rf5 1-0

*Nimzo-Indian E38*

Martin Gordon 2005

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*San Antonio Invitational*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4  
4.Bd2 0-0 5.Qc2 c5 6.e3 Nc6  
7.Nf3 d5 8.a3 cxd4 9.exd4 Bxc3  
10.Bxc3 dxc4 11.Bxc4 b6 12.  
0-0 Bb7 13.Rad1 Rc8 14.Bd3  
Ne7 15.Rfe1 Ne5 16.Ne5 Qd6  
17.Qd2!? [17.Qb3 avoids losing  
a pawn, but Black would have all  
the play by doubling on the c-file.  
I was pleased with the opening,  
being an old hand at defending  
against the IQP, and was put off  
guard to the dangers lurking.]  
17...Nxc3 18.bxc3 Qxa3 19.c4  
Qd6 20.Qf4



20...Ne8?! [I overreact to the  
specter of g4-g5. Better is 20...  
Rfd8 21.g4 h6 22.h4 Rc7 23.g5  
hxg5 24.hxg5 Nh5 25.Qg4 g6  
26.Nxf7 (26.c5 Qxd4 27.Be4  
Qxe5 28.Rxd8+ Kg7±) 26...Rxf7  
27.Bxg6 Nf4 28.Bxf7+ Kxf7  
29.Re5 Ng6 30.Re3 Rh8 31.Rh3  
Rxh3 32.Qxh3 Kg8±] 21.c5!  
Qe7? [21...bxc5 22.dxc5 Qc7  
23.Qh4 Nf6 24.Nd7!±; 21...Qc7  
22.c6 Ba8=;] 22.c6! Bxc6??  
[22...Rxc6 23.Nxc6 Bxc6 24.d5  
Bxd5 25.Bxh7+ Kxh7 26.Rxd5±]  
23.Nxc6 and Black resigned,  
seeing 23...Rxc6 24.Qe4 with a  
double threat of Qh7# and Qxc6.

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*French Defense C01*

Martin Gordon 2005

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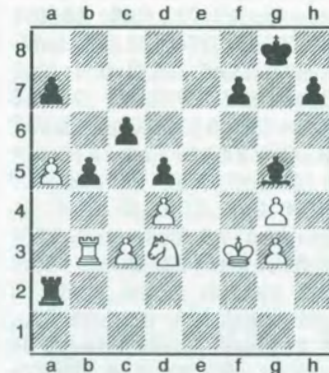
*San Antonio Invitational*

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.exd5 [3.Nc3!? Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.d4 c5 6.dxc5 Nc6 7.Bf4 Bxc5 8.Bd3 f6 9.exf6 Nxf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Ne5 Bd7=] 3...exd5 4.d4 Bd6 5.Nc3 [5.c4 c6 6.Nc3 Ne7 7.Bd3 dxc4 8.Bxc4 0-0 9.0-0 Nd7±] 5...c6 6.Bg5 Qb6 [6...f6 7.Bh4 Ne7 8.Bd3 0-0=] 7.Qd2 [1:47] 7...Qxb2 [1:41] [7...Ne7 8.0-0-0 Qc7 9.Re1 0-0±] 8.Rb1 Qa3 9.Rb3 [Δ9.Bd3 Better to delay Rb3 until after castling, for the tactical advantage seen in the note to White's 12th move.] 9...Qa5 10.Bd3 Ne7 11.0-0 [1:34] [11.Bf4!? Bxf4 12.Qxf4 0-0 13.Bxh7+ Kxh7 14.Qh4+ Kg8 15.Qxe7=] 11...0-0? [1:37] [11...Qc7=] 12.Bxe7? [12.Nxd5! Qxd5 (12...Qxd2 13.Nxe7+ Bxe7 14.Bxd2 b6 15.Re1 Be6 16.Rb2 Nd7 17.Ng5 Bxg5 18.Bxg5±) 13.c4 Qe6 14.Re1 Qd7 15.c5 Bxh2+ 16.Kxh2 Nd5±] 12...Bxe7 13.Qe3 Qc7 14.Re1 Bd6± [1:28] 15.g3 [1:13] [15.h3 h6] 15...Nd7 16.Nh4 [16.Qg5 h6 17.Qd2 Nf6] 16...Nf6 17.Nf5



17...Re8 [Forcing multiple exchanges. Also possible was 17...Bxf5 18.Bxf5 Rae8 19.Qd2

Rxe1+ 20.Qxe1 Re8 21.Qd2 g6 22.Bd3 Qe7+] 18.Qxe8+ [18.Qd2 Rxe1+ 19.Qxe1 Bxf5 20.Bxf5 Re8 21.Qd2+] 18...Nxe8 19.Rxe8+ Bf8 20.Ne7+ Qxe7 21.Rxe7 [1:15] 21...Bxe7+ [1:04] 22.a4 Bf6 23.Ne2 b6 24.c3 [0:55] 24...Bg4 [1:03] 25.Kg2 Re8 26.f3 Re3 [26...Bd7] 27.fxg4 [0:40] [27.Nf4 Bd7+ (27...g5? 28.fxg4 gxf4 29.c4 Bxd4 30.gxf4±)] 27...Rxd3 [1:01] 28.a5 b5 29.h4 Rd2 30.Kf3 [0:38] 30...Ra2 31.Nf4 g5? [31...Rxa5 32.Nd3 Be7 33.Nb4 (33.Ne5 Ra6) 33...Bxb4 34.cxb4 Ra4+] 32.hxg5 [Δ32.Nd3 gxh4 33.Nb4 Rxa5 34.gxh4 Bxh4 35.Nxc6 Ra6 36.Nb4 Rd6 37.Ra3 Rd7 38.Nc6 Be1 39.Nxa7 b4 40.cxb4 Bxb4±] 32...Bxg5 33.Nd3



33...Rxa5? [Better s 33...Rh2! 34.Nb4 Rh6 and everything holds, a defensive maneuver not available in the last note omitting hxg5. Now 35.Rb2 Rf6+ 36.Kg2 Re6+] 34.Nb4 Ra1 [Δ34... Kg7 35.Nxc6 Ra6 36.Nb4 Rd6 37.Ra3 Rd7±] 35.Nxc6 a5 [35... a6 36.Nb4 Kf8 37.Nxd5 Ke8 38.Ke4 Kd7=] 36.Rxb5 a4?! [Δ36...Rc1 37.Rxd5 Rxc3+ 38. Kg2 Rxc6 39.Rxg5+ Rg6 40. Rxa5 Rxc4 41.Rd5 Kf8=] 37. Rxd5± Bd2 38.Ne7+ [0:28] 38...Kf8 [0:38] 39.Nf5 Ke8 40. Re5+ [Δ40.Nd6+ Kf8 41.Ne4 Rf1+ 42.Ke2 Re1+ 43.Kxd2 Rxe4 44.Ra5 Rxc4 45.Rxa4 Rxc3±

40...Kd8= 41.Rd5+ Ke8 [0:36] 42.Nd6+ Ke7 [42...Kf8 43.Ne4 Rf1+ 44.Kg2 Re1 45.Nxd2 Re2+ 46.Kf3 Rxd2±] 43.Ne4 Bc1?! [Δ43...Bh6 44.Ra5 a3 45.g5 a2 46.Ra7+ Ke6 47.Ra6+ Ke7 48.Kg2 Bg7±] 44.Re5+ Kd8± 45. Ra5 [Δ45.Rf5 Bb2 46.Ke2 Rc1 47.Kd2 a3 48.Ra5+] 45...Bb2? [45...a3 46.Ra8+ Kc7 47.d5 Kb7 48.Ra4 a2 49.Ke2 Bh6 50.c4 Bg7 51.c5±] 46.d5+- a3 47.d6 a2 48. Kg2 [48.Kf2] 48...Rc1? [Δ48... Re1 49.Rxa2 Rxe4 50.Rxb2 Kd7 51.Rb4 Re3 52.Rb7+ Kxd6 53.Rxf7 Rxc3 54.Rxh7 Ke6±] 49. Rxa2 Bxc3 50.Ra8+ Kd7 51. Ra7+ Ke8 52.Re7+ [Δ52.Nc5] 52...Kf8 53.Rc7+- Bb2 54.Nf6? This attempt to weave a mating net lets the win slip away. [54.Rb7+] 54...Rd1± 55.Rc8+ Kg7 56.Nh5+ [Δ56.Ne4 h5 57.g5 (57.gxh5 f5) 57...Kg6] 56...Kg6?! [56...Kh6=] 57.Rg8+ Kh6 58.Nf4 Bf6? [Δ58...f6 59.Kf3 Bc1± (Not 59...Rxd6? 60.Ng2! Now the mating net is serious! 60...Bc3 61.Nh4 Rd5 62.Nf5+ Rxf5+ 63.gxf5+-)] 59.Nh3 Be5? 60.g5+? [60.Ng5! Bg7 (60...f6? 61.Nf7#) 61.Nxf7+ Kg6 62.Nh8+ Kf6 63.g5+ wins.] 60...Kh5= 61.Nf4+ Bxf4 [61...Kg4 62.Nh3 Rxd6 63.Nf2+ Kf5 64.Kf3=] 62.gxf4 Kg4 63.Rg7 Kxf4 64.Rxf7+ Kxg5 65.Rxh7 [65.d7 Kg6 66.Re7 Kf6 67.Rxh7 Ke6=] 65...Rxd6 ½-½

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*Scotch Game C45*

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*San Antonio Invitational*

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nxc6 bxc6 6.e5 Nd5 [Δ6...Qe7 7.Qe2 Nd5 8.c4 Ba6 9.b3 Qh4= when the pin allows the black N to stay at d5 for awhile.] 7.c4 Nb6 8.Bd3± Ba6 [8...d6 9.exd6 cxd6 (9...Bxd6!?)

10.0-0 Be7 11.Qc2±] **9.Qe2 Bc5** [Δ9...Qh4± With the White KN gone, almost always a strong move for Black in the Scotch. 10.b3 Qd4!? 11.Bb2 Bb4+ 12.Kf1±] **10.0-0 0-0 11.Bf4 Re8 12.Qc2** [12.Nd2 d6 13.Ne4 Bd4 14.exd6 cxd6 15.Qc2 Nxc4 16.Ng5=] **12...h6** [The pawn on h7 need not be defended Δ12...d6 13.Bxh7+ Kh8 14.Be4 (14.Bd3 dxe5=) 14...Nxc4 Black will later regret this unnecessary weakening of g6] **13.Nd2 d5 14.cxd5?** All recaptures lose material...except the one chosen by Black, which equalizes [Δ14.Rad1!? Bb4 15.b3 Nd7 (15...Qh4? 16.Nf3 Qxf4 17.Bh7+ Kf8 18.Rd4+-) 16.Nf3 Nc5 17.Nd4 Nxd3 18.Rxd3±] **14...Bxd3 15.Qxd3 cxd5** [This natural recapture to undouble the pawns is not as good as dynamic piece play with 15...Nxd5! eg 16.Bg3 Ne3 17.Qxd8 Raxd8 18.Rfc1 Rxd2 19.Rxc5 Nf5=] **16.Nb3 Be7 17.Nd4** [17.Rac1 to blockade the hanging pawns fails to 17...Nc4 18.Rc2 c5] **17...Nc4?** [Now a terrible loss of time. Better to defend the light squares with 17...Qd7 The N on d4 is an octopus, giving White the initiative on both K- and Q-sides.] **18.b3 Na5**



[18...Bc5!? 19.Nc6 Nb2 20.Qg3 Qd7 21.Bxh6 g6 22.Rab1 Qxc6 23.Rxb2±] **19.e6!+- Bf6** [19...

Rc8 20.Nf5 Bf6 21.exf7+ Kxf7 22.Nxh6+!? (22.Rae1) 22...gxh6 23.Qh7+ Bg7 24.Bxh6 Qf6 25.Bxg7 Qg6 (25...Qxg7? 26.Qf5+ Qf6 27.Qxd5+) 26.Qh3 Kxg7 27.Qc3+ d4 28.Qxa5+-] **20.exf7+ Kxf7 21.Rac1 Rc8?!** [Better to give up the pawn now with 21...c6 22.Nxc6 Nxc6 23.Rxc6 and at least the dominating White N has been exchanged.] **22.Nb5 Re7 23.Nxa7** [23.Qd2!? was tempting, but the simple text is still stronger 23...a6 (Otherwise 23...c6 24.Nd6+; Or 23...Nb7 24.Nxa7 Ra8 25.Nc6) 24.Na7 Ra8 25.Bxc7! (During the game I rejected 23 Qd2 because I saw only 25.Qxa5? Rxa7±) and if 25...Rxc7 26.Rxc7+ Qxc7 27.Qxd5+ picks up the rook] **23...Ra8 24.Nb5** [Again 24.Bxc7! Rxc7? (24...Qd7) 25.Rxc7+ Qxc7 26.Qxd5+ Kg6 27.Qe4+ Kf7 28.Qxa8] **24...c6 25.Nd6+ Kg8 26.Qg6 Be5?** [Δ26...Qf8 27.Nf5 Re4 28.Nxh6+ Kh8 29.Bg5 Bb2 (29...Bxg5?! 30.Nf7+ Kg8 31.Nxg5 Rh4 32.Qe6+ Kh8 33.Rfe1-) 30.Nf7+ Kg8 31.Nd6+-] **27.Bxe5 Rxe5 28.Nf7** triumph of the active N and the weak light-squares **28...Qe7 29.Nxe5** [Even stronger is 29.Nxh6+ Kf8 (29...Kh8 30.Nf7+ and White picks up an extra pawn over the game continuation) 30.Rc3!→ Re6 31.Rf3+ Rf6 32.Qh7! gxh6 (32...Rxf3? 33.Qg8#) 33.Qxh6+ Kf7 34.Qh5+ Kf8 35.Rg3 wins as Black cannot defend against 36 Qh8+] **29...Qxe5 30.Rfe1 Qc7 31.Re6 Rf8** [31...Qf7] **32.Rce1 Qf4 33.f3** [Safety first! Δ33.Re8! and there is no back rank mate because the Black R is pinned: 33...Qxf2+ 34.Kh1 Qf1+ 35.Rxf1] **33...Nb7 34.Re7** [34.Re8 Nd6] **34...Qd4+ 35.Kh1 Nc5 36.Re8 1-0**

**Solution (back cover):** 1.Qf3 (1... Kg5 2.Qf4#; 1...Kh2 2.Rh2#; 1... Bxf2 2.Nf5#; 1... Nx2 2.Qxg3#).

## Notes by Mark Harden

### Torre Attack A46

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Mark Hardon 2011

### San Antonio Invitational

**1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bg5 h6 4. Bxf6 Qxf6 5.e4 c5** [Δ5...d5 6.e5 Qg6 7.Nc3 Nc6=] **6.e5** [1:55] **6... Qg6** [1:44] [6...Qd8 7.d5 Qb6 (7...d6 8.Nc3 a6 9.Bc4+-) 8.Nc3 Qxb2 9.Nb5 Na6 10.dxe6±] **7. Nc3 cxd4 8.Nxd4** [8.Nb5! Na6 9.Nbxd4 Bc5 (9...Nb4 10.c3 Nc6 11.Nb5) 10.Bd3±] **8...Bb4?!** [Δ8...Bc5 9.Ndb5 (9.Ncb5? 0-0 10.Nc7 Qe4+; 9.Nb3 Bb4=) 9... 0-0 10.Nc7 Qf5 11.Qe2 Nc6 12.Nxa8 (12.g4 Qg6 13.Nxa8 Nd4 14.Qc4± SKA) 12...Nd4 13.Qe4 Nxc2+ 14.Kd1 Nxa1 15.Qxf5 exf5 16.Bd3 Bxf2 17.Nc7 Bd4 18.Re1 Bf2 19.Rf1 Bd4 20.Bxf5 Bxe5 21.N7d5 g6 22.Bg4 Bxh2±] **9.Qf3** [1:43] [Δ9.Ndb5 0-0 (9... Na6 10.a3 Bxc3+ 11.Nxc3 0-0 12.Qf3±) 10.Nc7 Qf5 11.Nxa8 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Qxe5+ 13.Be2 Qxc3+ 14.Kf1 b6 15.Rb1 Qc6 16.Nxb6 axb6±] **9...Nc6** [1:29] **10.Nxc6 dxc6** [10...bxc6 11.Bd3 f5±] **11.Bd3 Qg5 12.Qe4 Bxc3+** [Δ12...Ba5 13.0-0 Bd7 14.Rad1 0-0 0±] **13.bxc3 Bd7 14.0-0 h5** [1:09] [14...f5!? 15.exf6 gxf6 16.h4 Qg7 17.Rab1 b6 18.Rfe1 e5 19.Qa4±] **15.Rab1±** [1:27] **15... b6 16.a4 Rc8 17.Ba6** [Δ17.a5 b5 18.Rfd1 a6 19.Be2+-] **17...Rc7 18.Rfd1** [1:05] **18...0-0** [0:48] **19. Rd6** [19.Bd3 g6 20.a5 b5 21.h4 Qe7 22.Be2±] **19...Bc8?!** [Δ19... Qf5 20.Qe2 c5 21.a5 bxa5±] **20.Bxc8?!** [Δ20.Bd3 g6 21.f4 Qe7 22.a5±] **20...Rfxc8± 21. Rbd1 Qe7** [Δ21...a5 22.c4 Qf5 23.Qxf5 exf5±] **22.f4 g6 23.c4± c5** [0:43] **24.Qd3** [0:52] **24...Kg7 25.g3 Qe8** [More active is 25... h4 26.g4 Rh8 27.h3 Qe8 28.Qb3 Re7±] **26.Qb3 Qe7 27.h4** [0:48]

27...Kg8 [0:34] 28.Kf2 Kg7 29. Qb5 Qe8± 30.Qb3 Qe7 31.R1d3 Qe8 32.c3 Qe7 [32...Rb8] 33. Qd1 Qe8 34.Rd7 [0:39] 34... Qf8? [34...Kh6±]



35.R3d6 [35.f5! Rxd7 (35...gxf5 36.Qxh5+-; 35...exf5 36.e6+-) 36.f6+ Kg8 37.Rxd7 Ra8+-] 35... Qe8± 36.Qd3 Qf8? [36...Kh7±] 37.Ke2 [37.Rxe6+-] 37...Qe8 38. Kf3 Qf8 39.Ke3 [39.Rxe6] 39... Qe8± 40.Ke2 Qf8? [40...Kh7 If Black doesn't blunder the pawn away, there is no breakthrough for White, eg 41.Kf3 a) 41.f5 gxf5=; b) 41.g4 hxg4 42.h5 Kh6 43.hxg6 f5 44.g7 Rxd7 45.Rxd7 Qh5 46.Qd6 g3+ 47.Ke3 Rg8 48.Rd8 (48.Qxe6+ Kh7=) 48... Rxd8 49.Qxd8 Kxg7 50.Qf6+ Kh7 51.Qxe6 Qh3= SKA; 41...Kg7 42.Qd1 etc Black can even give White the 7th rank and still hold the draw: (42.g4 hxg4+ 43.Kxg4 Kh6=) 42...Rxd7 43.Rxd7 Kh6 and if 44.Rxa7 Rd8 45.Qe1 (45. Qe2? Qc6+ 46.Kf2 Qh1 47.Rxf7 Rd1+) 45...Ra8 46.Rxa8 Qxa8+ 47.Ke3 Qxa8±] 41.Rxe6+- Rxd7 42.Qxd7 Rd8 [42...Qd8 43.Qxd8 Rxd8 44.Re7 Ra8 45.Rd7+-] 43.Qe7 [0:32] [43.Qxa7] 43... Kg8 [0:23] 44.Qxf8+ Kxf8 45. Rc6 White secures the win with impeccable technique 45...Rd7 46.a5 [0:29] 46...Rb7 [0:22] [46... bxa5 47.Rxc5 a4 48.Ra5 Rc7

49.Kd3+-] 47.Rc8+ Ke7 [47... Kg7 to avoid the forced rook exchange, but still won for White] 48.a6! forces the exchange of Rs into a won K+P ending 48...Rd7 49.Rb8 Rc7 [49...f6 50.exf6+ Kxf6 51.Rb7 Ke6 52.Ke3+-] 50.Rb7 Kd8 51.Rxc7 Kxc7 52. Ke3 [0:26] 52...Kd7 [0:24] 53.Kf3 Ke7 54.g4 hxg4+ 55.Kxg4 Ke6 56.Kg5 Ke7 57.f5 gxf5 58.Kxf5 Kf8 59.Kf6 Kg8 60.h5 1-0

*Catalan Opening E04*

Selby Anderson 2204

Andrew Istafanous 1858

*San Antonio Invitational*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.g3 c6 5.Bg2!? [5.Nbd2; 5.Qc2] 5... dxc4 6.0-0 b5 7.Ne5 Bb7 8.Nc3 9.a4 Nd5 10.e4 Nxc3 11.bxc3 Nd7 12.f4 c5? [12...Be7 13.Ng4 Qb6 14.e5 h5 15.Ne3 g6 16.Qf3 0-0-0 17.Rf2= Carlsen-Komeev, Gausdal 2005] 13.d5 Nxe5 14. fxe5 Qd7 [14...b4 15.Qh5 g6 16. Qf3 Qd7 17.Bg5±] 15.Bh3 0-0-0? [15...Qe7 16.Qh5 g6 17.Qf3 h6 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.Qg4 Rg8 20. Rf6±] 16.axb5 axb5 17.Bg5 Re8



18.Rxf7!+- Qxf7 19.dxe6 Qc7 20.Qd7+ Kb8 21.Qxe8+ Qc8 22. Qxb5 Qc7 23.Qe8+ Qc8 24.Qf7 Black resigns [24...Qc6 25.e7 Bxe7 26.Bxe7] 1-0

*English Opening A13*

Gregg Stanley 2051

Selby Anderson 2204

*San Antonio Invitational*

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 Bb4 3.Qc2 c5 4.a3 Ba5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.e3 Nf6 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.d4 Qe7 10.b3 Bxc3 11.Qxc3 Ne4 12.Qc2 f5 13.Bb2 b6 14.Bd3 Bb7 15.Ne1 Qf7 [15...Qh4] 16.dxc5 Nxc5 17.f3 Rac8 18.Be2 e5 19.Rd1 Rfd8 20.Nd3 Ne6 21.f4 e4 22.Nb4 Ne7 23.Qb1 Nc5 24.Ba1 a5 25.Nc2 Ba6 26.Nd4 d5 27.b4 [27.Nb5=] 27...axb4 28.axb4 Nd3 29.b5 Bb7 30.cxd5 Bxd5± 31.Rd2 Rc5 32.Rfd1 Bc4 33.Bxd3 Bxd3 [33...exd3 34.Bb2 Ng6 35.Ba3 Rcc8±] 34.Qb2 Rdc8 [34...Ra8 35.Nf3 Rxb5 36.Rxd3 Rxb2 37.Rd8+ Rxd8 38.Rxd8+ Qf8 39.Rxf8+ Kxf8 40.Bxb2 exf3 41.gxf3 Kf7±] 35.Kf2 Nd5 36.Qa2 Bc4 37.Qb2 Nf6 38.Kg1 h5 39.h3=?



39...Qg6? [39...Bd3 40.Qa2 Nd5 41.Kf2 h4±] 40.Nc6 Qg3? [40...Qf7 41.Ne5±] 41.Ne7+± Kh7 42.Nxc8 Qxe3+ 43.Kh1 Rxc8 44.Rd7 Rf8 45.Qe5 Kg8 46.Rc7 Qe2 47.Rg1 e3 48.Bd4 Bf7 49.Qxf5 Ne8 50.Qg5 Qd3 51.Rd7 Qe4 1-0

## Notes by Mark Harden

### Caro-Kann B15

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Gregg Stanley 2051

### San Antonio Invitational

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c6 4. Be3 d5 5.Qd2 [5.e5 f6 6.f4 Nh6 7.Qd2 0-0 8.0-0-0 Ng4 9.Nf3 Nxe3 10.Qxe3±; 5.f3!? Qb6 6.Qd2 Qxb2 7.Rb1 Qa3 8.Bd3] 5...dxe4 6.Nxe4 Nd7 7.h3 [7.Nf3 Ngf6 8.Nxf6+ Nxf6 9.Bd3=] 7...Nng6 8.Nc3N [8.Nxf6+ Nxf6 9.Nf3 Ne4 10.Qb4=] 8...Nd5 9.Nxd5 [9.Nf3 0-0 10.Bd3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 Nf6 12.0-0 Qc7=] 9...cxd5 10.Bd3 0-0= 11.Nf3 e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 Bxe5 14.c3 d4 15.cxd4 Bxd4



16.Bxd4?! [I avoided  $\Delta$ 16.0-0 because of 16...Bxb2 but the pawn is poisoned: ( $\Delta$ 16...Re8 17.Rfe1 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rxe3 19.Qxe3 Be6 20.Be4 Qf6 21.a3=) 17.Qxb2 Qxd3? 18.Bh6] 16... Qxd4 17.0-0-0? [To defend the bishop and clear the e-file at the same time, but White is castling into a severe attack.  $\Delta$ 17.Be2 Qb6 (17...Qxd2+ 18. Kxd2 Rd8+ 19.Ke3 Re8+ 20.Kf3 Be6 21. Rhd1=) 18.0-0 Rd8 19.Qg5 Be6 20.b3] 17...Be6 [Even 17...Qd5 immediately is good for Black] 18.Kb1 [ $\Delta$ 18.Bc2 Qb6 (18... Qxd2+? 19.Rxd2 Bxa2 20.b3+)

19.Kb1 Rfd8 20.Qe2] 18...Rfd8+ [1:10] 19.Qe2 [1:27] [19.Qc2 Qd5 (19...Rac8?! 20.Bxg6 Rxc2 21.Rxd4 Rxb2+ 22.Kxb2 Rxd4 23.Bc2) 20.b3 Qxg2+] 19...Qd5 [19...Qa4 20. b3 Bxb3! 21.axb3 Qxb3+ 22.Ka1 Qa3+ 23.Qa2 (23. Kb1? Rd6) 23...Rxd3+] 20.b3 Qxg2 21. Rdg1?! [21.Be4 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Qxh3 23.Bxb7 Re8+] 21...Qd5 22.Be4 Bf5 23.Bxf5 Qxf5+ 24.Kb2 [ $\Delta$ 24.Qc2] 24... Re8 25.Qc2 Qxc2+ [Simplest, but sharper is 25...Qf6+ 26.Kb1 Rac8 27.Qd3 Rc3 28.Qd2 Rd8 29.Qe2 Qf5+ 30.Kb2 Rdc8 31. Rc1 Rxc1 32.Rxc1 Qf6+ 33.Kb1 Rxc1+ 34.Kxc1 Qa1+ 35.Kc2 Qxa2+ 36. Kd1 Qxe2+] 26.Kxc2 Re2+ 27.Kb1 Rxf2 28.Rc1 Re8 29.Rhf1 Rxf1 30.Rxf1 Rc8 31. Kb2 f5 32.Rf4 Kg7 33.Ra4 a6 34.Rb4 Rc7 35.Rb6? Now the passed pawn cannot be stopped. 35...f4 36.h4 f3 37.Rb4 f2 0-1

### Pirc Defense B07

Martin Gordon 2005

Don Sutherland 2175

### San Antonio Invitational

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 0-0 6.Nge2 c6 7.0-0 a5 8.a4 Na6 9.Bg5 [9.h3] 9...h6 10.Bd2 e5 11.d5 Nb4 12.Qc1 Kh7 13.Nd1 cxd5 14.Bxb4 axb4 15.exd5 Bd7 16.b3 b5 17.Ne3 bxa4 18.bxa4 Bxa4 19.Rb1 Rb8 20.Qd2 Qa5 21.Ra1 Ra8 22.Ra2 Nd7 23.Rb1 Rfb8 24.Rab2 Bb5 [ $\Delta$ 24...Nc5 25.Nc1 (25.Nc4 Qa6 26.Rxb4 Rxb4 27.Rxb4 Bb5 28.Qc3 e4+) 25...e4 26.Nc4 Bc3 27.Qf4 Qc7 28.Ra2 f5+] 25.Nc1 Ba4 [25...Nc5 26.Qxb4 e4 27. Qxa5 Rxa5 28.Ra2 Rxa2 29. Nxa2 Rb7 30.c4 Ba6] 26.Rxb4 Rxb4 27.Qxb4 Nc5 [27...Qxb4 28.Rxb4 f5] 28.Nc4? [28. Qxa5 Rxa5 29.Nb3 Rb5 30.Bf1 Rb4 31.Nxc5 dxc5=] 28...Qxb4 29. Rxb4 Bxc2+ 30.Rb2 Bf5 31. Rxa2 [31...Rb8 32.Rb2 Rxb2 33.

Nxb2 Nb7 34.Nc4 Bc2] 32.Nxa2 Bf8 33.Nc3 Bd3 34.Bf1 Bxc4 35. Bxc4 f5 36.Nb5 Kg7 37.f3 Kf6 38.Kf1 Ke7 39.Ke2 Kd7 40.Ke3 Bg7 41.f4 Ke7 42.h4 Nd7 43. Nc7 Nc5 44.Nb5 exf4+ 45.gxf4 h5 46.Nc7 Bf6 47.Ne6 Ne4 48. Ng5 Nng5 49.hxg5 Bb2 50.Bb5 h4 51.Bf1 Bc1+ 52.Kf3 Kd8 0-1

### Center Counter B01

Don Sutherland 2175

Selby Anderson 2204

### San Antonio Invitational

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qd6 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 a6 6.g3 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nc6 9.Be3 e6 10. 0-0-0 0-0-0 11.a3 Qd7 12.Bg2 Nd5 13.Ne4 Nxe3 14.fxe3 f5 15. Nc3 Bd6 16.Rhf1 g6 17.Ne2 Qe7 18.Rd3 e5 19.dxe5 Bxe5 20.Nd4 Bxd4 21.exd4 Rhe8 22. g4 Qg5+ 23.Kb1 fxd4 24.hxg4 Qh4 25. Qd1 Rd6 1/2-1/2

### Center Counter B01

Ernesto Malazarte 2106

Selby Anderson 2204

### San Antonio Invitational

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qa5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 c6 6.Bc4 Bf5 7. Bd2 Qc7 8.Bb3 e6 9.Qe2 Nbd7 10.Ne5 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Nd7 12.g4 Bg6 13.f4 0-0-0 14.0-0-0 h5 15. h3 Nc5 16.Rhf1 hxg4 17.hxg4 Be7 18.Rh1 Nxb3+ 19.axb3 Rxh1 20.Rxh1 Qa5 21.Nb1 Qd5 22.Rf1 Qe4 23.Qxe4 Bxe4 24. Nc3 Bg6 25.Be3 b6 26.Rh1 Bb4 27.Ne2 Be4 28.Rh3 Be1 29.Nc3 Bxc3 30.bxc3 c5 31.Bd2 Kb7 32.c4 a5 33.Re3 Bg6 34.Rh3 Kc6 35.Rf3 Be4 36.Re3 Bg6 37. Bc3 Kd7 38.Re2 Ke7 39.Rh2 Be4 40.Bd2 Bf3 41.f5 Bxg4 42. Bg5+ f6 43.exf6+ gxf6 44.Rh7+ Kd6 45.Bxf6 Re8 46.fxe6 Bxe6 47.Bg5 Bd7 48.Bf4+ Kc6 49. Kd2 Re6 50.Rg7 Rf6 51.Ke3 Re6+ 52.Kf3 Rf6 53.Ke4 Re6+ 54.Be5 Re8 55.c3 Re6 56.Kf4

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# GM Timur Gareyev wins Austin Club Championship

GM Timur Gareyev topped a field of 142 players at the Austin Chess Club Championship, held Jan. 7-8. He scored a perfect 5-0, good for first place and \$600.

NM Arvind Jayaraman finished in second place (\$300) with 4.5 points. Alexander Quach won the U1800 section (\$400) with 4.5 points and Jeff Little won the U1500 section (\$250) with 5 points.

A massive log-jam for third place occurred between Alex Chua, Michael Langer, Mark Dejmek, Josh Newsham, Peter Kappler, Seth Thompson, Craig La Salle, and Alan Laverty (1st-2nd U2200: Newsham, Thompson, Kappler, La Salle and Laverty). All players tied for third took home \$68.75 each. William Molina and Curran Han also tied for 3rd place, splitting the U2000 prizes, taking home \$150.00 each.

Six(!) local players tied for the Austin Chess Club championship title: Michael Langer, Josh Newsham, Peter Kappler, Craig La Salle, William Molina and Alan Laverty.

Alexander Quach took clear first in the Reserve section, taking home \$400.00. Duane Herrera, Nam Nguyen, and Adrian Diaz tied for second, winning \$166.67 each.

Jeff Little was clear first in the Booster section, winning \$250.00. Michael Tunks and Rohit Rao split 2nd and 3rd places, worth \$125.00. U1300 honors were won by Shreyes Kaliyur, Louis Fernandes, Vlado Barun, Russell Gardner, and Rohit Bhandi, taking \$20.00 each. Richard Fray, Yutika Raina, Ethan Hall, and Benjamin Gutierrez split the U1100 prize, winning \$25.00 each.

Thanks to Lori Balkum for running a fabulous tournament!

Source: [www.austinchess.org](http://www.austinchess.org).

A full article by Torey Neuzil will appear in the Spring issue.

Ruy Lopez C94

Mark Dejmek 2147

Timur Gareyev 2720

Austin CC Championship (4)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6  
4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5  
7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Nb8  
10.d3 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 h6 12.Nf1  
Re8 13.Ng3 Bf8 14.a3 [14.Nh2  
Nc5 15.Bc2 d5 16.Qf3 Be6  
17.Nf5 Kh7 18.Ng4 Ncd7 19.a4  
b4 20.a5 Konikowski-Luczak,  
Poland 1979] 14...Bb7 15.Ba2  
d5



16.exd5 [16.Nh2 dxe4 17.dxe4  
c5 18.Ng4 c4 19.Nxf6+ Nxf6  
20.Qf3 Nh7 21.Nf5 1/2 Brkic-  
Njirjak, Djakovo 2005] 16...Bxd5  
17.c4 bxc4 18.dxc4 Bb7 19.Be3  
e4 20.Nd2 a5 21. Qc2 c5 22.Bf4  
g5!? [22...Ra6] 23.Be3 Qc7 24.  
Rad1 Re6 25. Ne2 [25.Nb1 g4  
26.h4 (26.hxg4 Ne5 27.Nc3 Nd3  
28.Ngxe4 Nxe1 29.Nxf6+ Rxf6  
30.Rxe1±) 26...Ne5 27.Nc3 Nd3  
28.Re2 Qe5 29.Bb1 Bd6 30.Rxd3  
exd3 31.Qxd3±] 25...Nh5 26.Nc3  
f5 27.g4?! [27.Nd5! Qc6 28.Nf1  
Ne5 29.Qe2 Ng7 30.Qc2 Nd3  
31.Re2=] 27...fxg4 28.Ndxe4?  
[28.Nd5! Qe5 29.hxg4 Nh6 30.f4  
exf3 31.Bf2 Qd6 32.Nxf3 Rxe1+  
33.Rxe1 Bxd5 (33...Nxc4? 34.  
Bb1!+-; 33...Bg7 34.Qg6 Bxd5

35.cxd5 Kh8=) 34.cxd5 Nxc4  
35.Re6 Qf4 36.d6 Kh8 37.Kg2=]  
28...Ne5! 29.hxg4 Nf3+ 30.Kf1  
Qh2 31.gxh5 Qg1+ 32.Ke2 Qg4!



33.Qb1 [33.Nd5 Bxd5 34.cxd5  
Rxe4! (34...Nd4+ 35.Kd2 Nxc2  
36.dxe6 Qxe4±) 35.d6+ c4 36.  
Qc1 (36.Qc3 Bg7) 36...Rae8  
37.d7 Rxe3+ 38.Qxe3 (38.fxe3  
Qg2#) 38...Rxe3+ 39.Kxe3 Bc5+  
40.Ke2 Nxe1+ 41.Kxe1 Bxf2+ 42.  
Kxf2 Qxd1-+] 33...Rxe4 34.Nd5  
[34.Nxe4 Bxe4 35.Qa1 Ng1+ 36.  
Kd2 Rd8+ 37.Kc3 Bg7+ 38.Kb3  
Rb8+ 39.Ka4 Bc2+ 40.Kxa5 Qc8  
forcing mate] 34...Bg7 35.Rh1  
Nd4+ 36.Kd2 Rxe3!! 37.Nxe3  
Qe2+ 38.Kc1 Qxf2 39.Rhe1



39...Be4! 40.Qxe4 [40.Qa1 Ne2+  
41.Rxe2 Qxe2+] 40...Nb3+  
41.Bxb3 Qxb2# 0-1

# VIENNA CALLING!

by Michael Simpson

I went to the North American Open [Las Vegas, Dec. 26-29] and played in the U2300 section, hoping to lose some rust and gain enough rating points to go back over 2000. Unfortunately, there was a lot more rust than I thought, and I had a horrible tournament, with just one draw and one win out of seven rounds (I did get a 1 point bye). I managed to lose a won game to an FM, lose another game in less than ten moves, and resign a drawn position to Gregg Small in the final round (we both had 2 1/2, so it was not his best tournament either). What follows is the one bright spot, where I recover from a horrible opening, and win "brilliantly". In the Vienna, White is usually quite happy to play Rxb7. Now to get some more WD-40.

*Vienna Game C29*

**Michael Simpson 1974**  
**Eric Qi 2111**

*North American Open U2300 (6)*

I got my first (and last) win on the white side of a Vienna! Black was Eric Qi from AZ. An imprecise opening led to an unbalanced position where Black had an extra pawn but White had the two bishops. With best play Black was better, but the play was not best. **1.e4 e5 2.Nc3** In Austin I am known for the Vienna. It has the advantage of avoiding the Ruy Lopez and the 2,913 variations one has to know 38 moves deep to make it out of the opening and the disadvantage of allowing Black easy and early equality. Someday I will either have to learn the Ruy or change move one. **2...Nf6 3.f4 d5 4.fxe5 Nxe4 5.d3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Nc6** [6...d4 is already slightly better for Black.] **7.d4** A sign of rust. **7.Nf3** is more precise. **7...Qh4+**

**8.Ke2 Bg4+ 9.Nf3 0-0-0 10.g3 Bxf3+ 11.Kxf3**



**11...Nxe5+!**? Winning the e-pawn, since ... **12.Kf2** [12.dxe5 Qe4+ 13.Kf2 Bc5+ gets crushed. White gets the two bishops though, and Black's usual lever ...f6 no longer opens the f-file for him. Still, the position favors Black.] **12...Qf6+ 13.Kg2 Nd7 14.Be2 g6 15.Rf1 Qg7** Black's play is obviously on the kingside, but this seems too slow, though I don't know what improvement to recommend. **16.Qd3 f5 17.Rb1 Nb6 18.a4 Nxa4??** Okay, one annotation. This has to be the loser. I expected **18...Nc4**, after which White is hard pressed to continue the attack. Instead, as Darth Vader would say, the rest is "All too easy."



**19.Rxb7!! Nxc3** [19...Kxb7 20.

**Qa6+ Kb8 21.Qxa4 Kc8 22.Ba6+**, and the king doesn't have time to escape to the center of the board. Best was probably **19...Nb6**, although **20.Rxa7** evens the material and leaves White well on top.] **20.Qxc3!** I think he got demoralized when I took the knight. **20...Kxb7 21.Ba6+! Kb6** [21...Kxa6 22.Qc6+ and mate in two more.] **22.Qb3+ Kc6** [22...Kxa6 23.Bb2 and Black must give up colossal material to avoid mate.] **23.Qb7+** No more fireworks needed. **23...Kd6** [Now **23...Kd7** is met quietly by **24.Re1**] **24.Bf4+ Ke6 25.Re1+ Kf7 26.Qxc7+ Kg8** My opponent was a junior, which may explain why he did not resign here. **27.Qxd8 Qxd4 28.Bh6 Kf7 29.Qe8+ Kf6 30.Qe6#** That felt good!

**0-1**

**Denker** (cont'd from p. 5)

and that rating doesn't really matter in such a tournament. Though I ultimately felt short of winning the tournament in both years despite having a chance going into the last round, I will always carry fond memories of my experiences at the Denker tournament gathered with all the high school champions of each state. It was an honor representing our great state for the last two years, and I wish good luck to next year's Denker participant and for them to have the same great experience I did.

— Bob Shao

**Invitational** (cont'd from p. 28)

**56...Re8 57.Rf7 Re6 58.Rg7 Re8 59.Rg6+ Re6 60.Rg1 Re8 61.Rd1 Re6** 1/2-1/2

# DHS Middle School and High School Non-rated Chess Tournament

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Saturday, May 19, 2012, first round at 10:00 a.m.

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Four games; each game finishes in about an hour. G/30 d/5 Time Control.

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Round 1: 10:00 a.m. Round 2: 11:30 a.m. Round 3: 1:30 p.m. Round 4: 3:00 p.m.

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Name of student: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade of student (circle one) 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

School name: \_\_\_\_\_

USCF rating (if available): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

This is a non-rated tournament. USCF membership is not required.

The bughouse tournament is FREE for tournament participants. Others (including adults, younger siblings, friends, etc.) may play in the bughouse tournament for \$2 per person, payable at site only.

HIGH SCHOOL TROPHIES: First, Second, and Third Place Individual; First and Second Place Team.

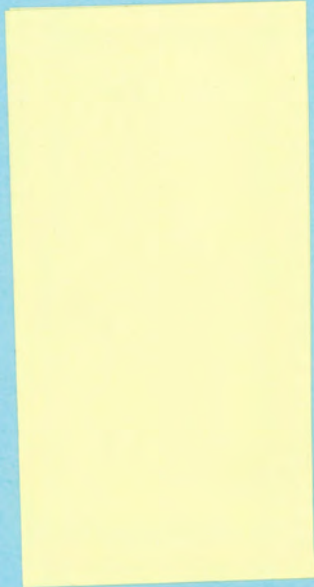
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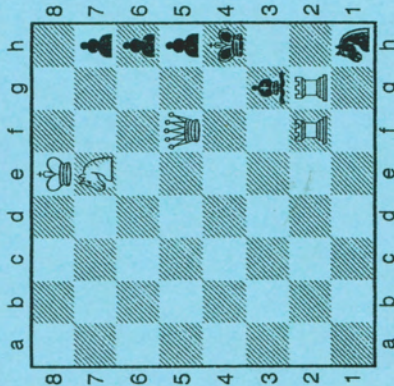
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