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CHESS MOVES TO CHECKMATE LEUKEMIA

A Vidor businessman has mixed business with chess, with spectacular results.

This spring Beaumont will be the hub of Texas chess activity, with the Texas Open Championship, of course--and GM's Larry Evans and Edmar Mednis, and IM Jack Peters in attendance! What's the catch? Steve Wellborn, a Vidor businessman with some big ideas about chess, has teamed up with the Leukemia Society of America and local businesses to create a media spectacular, as far as Texas chess goes. Public service announcements on radio and TV are already priming interest in the Peters simul, and now there's an added attraction: Grandmaster Larry Evans will be on hand at the Texas Open to comment on the games played on the top 4 boards, and give lectures on both the game of chess and international chess politics.

Leukemia was a logical choice for Steve Wellborn of Electro-Motor, Inc. The Society's motto is "Checkmate leukemia...it's your move!" Last October he organized and helped play a simultaneous exhibition at Parkdale Mall in Beaumont, with former Oklahoma champ Robert Harrington winning 44 games, losing 2 and drawing 4--and raising $630 for the Leukemia Society. A similar exhibition is scheduled for January 30 at Central Mall in Port Arthur.

That is only a warmup for this April's extravaganza, when on the 15th IM Peters plays 40 boards at $25 a shot. (Contact Tony Alston to get in on the simul tour--address p. 2) A social hour of businessmen and politicians hobnobbing with the chess gentry will precede the simul. The Parks and Recreation Department and the Tourist Bureau of Beaumont have thrown in their support, and offered the Civic Center should the event outgrow the Beaumont Hilton. Don't laugh! A Soviet contingent has been formally invited by Mr. Wellborn.

The event in Beaumont is part of a larger dream Wellborn has to popularize chess in America, using corporate sponsorship and charity fund raising together with the recognition of chess professionals as sports pros, just like those in tennis or golf. Chess has long been used in advertising to lend "class" and snob appeal. It has yet to achieve mass appeal in this country, the way it has in the Soviet Union or even in Western Europe. Kasparov's initiative to make the game more palatable to spectators, with faster time limit exhibition games, is echoed in Welborn's proposals. Wellborn has set a strong example for other chess promoters, and we hope that more follow in his way. A Lukemia Society simul has been planned in San Antonio, and one feels that the ripples from Beaumont have just begun to break across Texas.

--**Selby Anderson**

INTERNATIONAL MASTER

JACK PETERS

writes:

I was born on Feb, 10, 1951, and lived in Massachusetts for the first 15 years of my life. I learned the rules of chess when I was about 8 years old, but didn't become fasinated by the game until I was 14. Soon afterward, joined a chess club and played in a high school chess league. At 16, I entered my first USCF tournament, and received a rating of 1752. I was overrated and my rating dropped into the 1600's in my next few tournaments.

As a high school senior, I won my first tournament, the aptly named Woodpusher's Futurity, a tournament for players in Class B and below. I made steady but unspectacular progress, gaining about 100 points a year. After two years of college, I dropped out so that I could spend more time on chess. My rating hit 2200 in 1971 and 2400 in 1974. In 1975 I qualified for the U.S. Championship for the first time, and felt like I had achieved my ambition of becoming a professional player.

I moved to Los Angeles in 1976, and have lived there ever since. Since 1982 I have written a weekly chess column for the L.A. Times. I was married in 1979, and have two sons, ages six and two.

My international chess career began with the 1975 U.S. Championship and the 1976 Lone Pine tournament, but I had no success in wangling invitations to foreign tournaments until I was helped by George Koltanowski and Bill Church in 1978. For most of that year I toured the U.S., giving simultaneous exhibitions on behalf of Church's Fried Chicken, Inc. In return, I recieved a regular salary (a rarity for a chessplayer) and help in entering prestigious foreign tournaments. My best result of this period was my tie for first place in the 1978 Lloyd's Bank Masters Open in London, where I made a grandmaster norm.

At home, I performed poorly in the U.S. Championships, but quite well in the series of master tournaments in Lone Pine, California. I made another GM norm in the 1978 Lone Pine event, and earned the biggest prize of my career, $3,200, plus two brilliancy prizes of $200 each. I became an International Master in 1979.

My best U.S. Championship result in five tries came in 1981, when I scored 7-7 and shared the brilliancy prize for my win over Lev Alburt. Since then, I have played less frequently, spending more time instead on writing and teaching. My two GM norms have expired (I needed a third to become a grandmaster), but I plan to return to the international arena in a few years, when my kids are older.

I collaborated on two chess books, Caro-Kann Defense and Open Games. I was president of the Professional Chess Association, an organization of chess masters which

lasted from 1978 to 1982, for the first two years of its existence. **Titles won:**

Massachusetts state champion--several times
New England champion--1971, 1974, 1975
Southern California champion--1977
American Open champion (tied 1st)--1977, 1982, 1984
Non-playing captain of second-place U.S. team in 1974
World Student Team Championship in England
Third board on second-place U.S. team in 1976
World Student Team Championship in Venezuela

Jack Peters vs. William Lombardy (Lone Pine 1977) 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 d4 Nbd7 11 c4 Bb7 12 Nc3 c6 13 Bg5 b4 14 Na4 ed 15 Nd4 g6 16 c5 dc 17 Nf3 Re8 18 Qc2 Nh5 19 Qc4 Rf8 20 Bh6 Ng7 21 Rad1 Qc7 22 e5 Rae8 23 e6 fe 24 Re6 Kh8 25 Ng5 Nf6 26 Ree1 Bc8 27 Nf7+ Kg8 28 Nd6+ Nd5 29 Rd5 cd5 30 Qd5+ Be6 31 Re6 fe6 32 Qe6+ Kh8 33 Qg8+ Rg8 34 Nf7++ **1-0**

Lev Alburt vs. Jack Peters (South Bend 1981) 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 g3 c5 4 d5 ed 5 cd d6 6 Nc3 g6 7 Nf3 Bg7 8 Bg2 0-0 9 0-0 Re8 10 Bf4 Ne4 11 Ne4 Re4 12 Nd2 Rb4 13 a3 Rf4 14 gf4 Bb2 15 Ra2 Bg7 16 e4 Na6 17 Re1 b5 18 e5 Bf5 19 e6 Nc7 20 Nb3 a5 21 Rae2 Bc3 22 e7 Qd7 23 e6(Q)+ Re8 24 Re8+ Ne8 25 Re3 Bf6 26 Na5 Ng7 27 Nc6 Nh5 28 Bf1 c4 29 a4 Nf4 30 ab c3 31 b6 c2 32 Qc1 Nd5 33 Rb3 Nb6 34 Rb6 Be4 35 h3 Qf5 36 Bg2 Qg5 37 Ne7+ Kg7 38 Nf5+ gf5 39 Qg5+ Bg5 40 Rc6 Bc6 **0-1** (Simul tour info: Tony Alston (512) 532-4203)

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» TIE BREAKS «

Teams - 1) Head-to-Head 2) Game Points 3) U.S. Team System
4) Solkoff 5) 10 Min. "Touch Move" Team Challenge
Individuals - 1) Head-to-Head 2) Solkoff 3) Modern Solkoff
4) S.B. 5) 10 Min. "Touch Move" Challenge

TEXAS CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS
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Master Section

Todd Thomas vs. John Dunning: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 c5 4 Qg4 Nc6 5 Nf3 f5 6 Qg3 cd 7 Bd3 Qb6 8 a3 Bd7 9 0-0 a5 10 Re1 0-0-0 11 c3 h6 12 b4 g5 13 b5 Na7 14 a4 Bc5 15 cd Bd4 16 Nd4 Qd4 17 Ra2 f4 18 Qf3 b6 19 Bb2 Qb4 20 Bc3 Qe7 21 Rc2 Kb8 22 Bd4 Qb4 23 Bc3 Qa4 24 Na2 Bb5 25 Ra1 Bd3 26 Ra4 Bc2 27 Ra2 Be4 28 Qd1 Ne7 29 Bd4 Nec8 30 Qb3 Kb7 31 f3 Bf5 32 Bf2 Rh7 33 Ra5 Rc7 34 Ra1 Rc2 35 Rb1 Rd2 36 Bb6 Rd1+ 37 Rd1 Nb6 38 Rd2 Rd7 39 Rb2 Nc8 40 Qb5 Rc7 41 Qe8 d4 42 Kf2 d3 43 Ke1 Rc2 44 Qd7+ Rc7 45 Qe8 Rc1+ 46 Kd2 Rc2+ 47 Rc2 dc2 48 g4 fg 49 hg g4 50 fg Bg4 51 Kc2 h5 52 Kb3 Kc7 53 Kb4 Nd7 54 Qf7 Na7 55 Kc3 Nc6 56 Qf4 Nde5 57 Kd2 Kd7 58 Qf8 Ng6 59 Qg7+ Nce7 60 Qd4+ Ke8 61 Qg7 e5 62 Qf6 e4 63 Qa6 Bf3 64 Ke3 Kf7 65 Kf2 Ne5 66 Ke3 N7g6 67 Kd4 Kg7 68 Qe6 Ng4 69 Qf5 Kh6 70 Qd5 N4e5 71 Ke3 Kg5 72 Qe6 Bg4 73 Qd5 Bf3 74 Qe6 Ng4 75 Kd4 e3 76 Qc8 e2 77 Qc1 Kf6 78 Kd3 N4e5 79 Ke3 Ne7 80 Qa1 Nd5+ 81 Kf2 Nb4 **0-1**

Roger Johnson vs. Billy Patteson: 1 P-K4 N-KB3 2 P-K5 N-Q4 3 P-Q4 P-Q3 4 P-QB4 N-N3 5 PxP BPxP 6 N-QB3 P-N3 7 B-K3 B-N2 8 P-KR3 0-0 9 N-B3 B-B4 10 B-K2 N-B3 11 R-QB1 R-B1 12 0-0 P-Q4 13 P-QN3 PxP 14 PxP N-R4 15 P-B5 N-Q4 16 NxN QxN 17 Q-R4 P-N3 18 N-Q2 KR-Q1 19 B-B3 Q-Q2 20 P-B6 Q-Q3 21 P-Q5 B-K4 22 N-N3 NxN 23 PxN R-B2 24 P-KN4 B-B1 25 KR-Q1 P-KR4 26 K-N2 K-N2 27 P-N5 P-K3 28 Q-K4 P-B4 29 PxP e.p.+ BxP 30 PxP QxKP 31 QxQ BxQ 32 RxR BxR 33 B-B4 R-B1 34 P-B7 BxNP 35 PxB(Q) RxQ 36 R-B7+ K-B3 37 P-R4 K-K3 38 RxP B-B5 39 B-B7 R-Q5 40 BxNP RxP 41 K-N3 P-N4 42 B-K3 B-Q4 43 BxB+ KxB 44 R-R5+ K-K3 45 BxP R-N5+ 46 K-R3 R-N8 47 B-R4 R-R8+ 48 K-N3 RN8+ 49 K-B3 **1-0**

Robert Chalker vs. David Leinbach: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 Nge2 0-0 6 Ng3 Nbd7 7 Be2 e5 8 de de 9 Be3 c6 10 h4 Qe7 11 h5 Nc5 12 hg fg 13 0-0 Ne6 14 f3 Nf4 15 Qa4 h5 16 b4 h4 17 Bc5 Qf7 18 Nh1 Re8 19 b5 Be6 20 bc bc 21 Rac1 Nd7 22 Bf2 h3 23 g3 Ne2+ **0-1**

Section A

David Sewell vs. Richard Petty: 1 d4 e6 2 c4 Nf6 3 Nf3 c5 4 d5 ed 5 cd d6 6 Nc3 g6 7 Bg5 Bg7 8 e4 0-0 9 Bd3 Bg4 10 h3 Bf3 11 gf3 Nbd7 12 f4 a6 13 a4 Qc7 14 Rc1 Nh5 15 f5 Rae8 16 Be2 Bc3+ 17 Rc3 Re4 18 Re3 Nhf6 19 h4 Qa5+ 20 Kf1 Qa4 21 b3 Qb4 22 h5 Re3 23 Be3 Qe4 24 Rg1 Qf5 25 hg fg 26 Bd3 Qh3+ 27 Ke1 Ne5 28 Rg3 Qh1+ 29 Bf1 Ne4 30 Rg2 Nc3 **0-1**

Tom Maurer vs. W. D. Veatch, Jr.: 1 d4 d5 2 c4 c6 3 Nf3 dc 4 e4 Bg4 5 Bc4 e6 6 Be3 Bb4 7 Nc3 Nf6 8 Qd3 Bf3 9 gf3 Nbd7 10 0-00-0 11 e5 Nh5 12 Qe4 g6 13 Kh1 Ng7 14 Bh6 Nb6 15 Bb3 Bc3 16 bc3 Nd5 17 c4 Ne7 18 Bg5 Qd7 19 Bf6 b5 20 Rfd1 bc 21 Bc4 Nd5 22 Qh4 Nf6 23 Qf6 Nf5 24 Rac1 Qd8 25 Qd8 Rfd8 26 Be6 Nd4 27 Rd3 Rab8 28 Rcd1 Rb6 29 Bc4 c5 30 Rc3 Rdb8 31 Kg2 Rb2 32 Bb3 Nb3 33 ab3 R2b3 34 Rc5 R3b7 35 Ra5 Rb5 36 Ra7 Re5 37 Rd3 Kg7 38 Re3 Re3 39 fe3 Rb2+ 40 Kg3 g5 41 e4 Rb3 42 Rc7 h5 43 Kg2 Kg6 44 Rc5 h4 45 h3 Rb6 46 Ra5 f5 47 ef ef 48 Rc5 Kf6 49 Ra5 Ke6 50 Ra8 Rb2+ 51 Kg1 Ke5 52 Ra4 Rd2 53 Rb4 Rd4 54 Rd4 Kd4 55 Kf2 f4 56 Ke2 Kc3 57 Ke1 Kd3 58 Kf2 Kd2 **0-1**.

Stephen Truelove vs. Richard Petty: 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 f5 4 Bg2 Nf6 5 d3 Bb4 6 Bd2 0-0 7 Nd5 Bd2+ 8 Qd2 Ne7 9 Nc3 c6 10 Nf3 d6 11 0-0 Ng6 12 e3 Nh5 13 Qe2 Nf6 14 d4 e4 15 Nd2 d5 16 Rac1 a6 17 c5 h5 18 b4 h4 19 Na4 Be6 20 Nb6 Rb8 21 a4 Qe8 22 Rb1 f4 23 gf h3 24 Bh1 Nf4 **0-1**.

Ed Erwin vs. Tom Maurer: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 c5 4 c3 Nc6 5 Nf3 Qb6 6 Bd3 Bd7 7 0-0 cd 8 cd Nd4 9 Nd4 Qd4 10 Nc3 Bb4 11 Nb5 Qe5 12 g3 Bb5 13 Bb5+ Kf8 14 Qb3 Be7 15 Bf4 Qh5 16 Rac1 g6 17 Rfe1 Bg5 18 Be2 Qh6 19 Qb7 Rd8 20 Rc7 Bf4 21 Rf7+ Ke8 22 Bb5+ **1-0**.

Section B

Marvin Bolden vs. Doyle Lobaugh: 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 B-Q3 P-KN3 4 P-QB3 B-N2 5 B-B2 N-KB3 6 0-0 N-B3 7 P-Q4 PxP 8 PxP 0-0 9 P-KR3 B-Q2 10 N-B3 R-B1 11 B-K3 N-QR4 12 P-K5 N-K1 13 Q-B1 N-B5 14 B-R6 PxP 15 BxB KxB 16 PxP P-K3 17 R-Q1 Q-B2 18 R-N1 B-B3 19 B-N3 BxN 20 PxB NxKP 21 Q-B4 N-QB3 22 Q-K3 P-QR3 23 N-K4 Q-K4 24 R-Q7 R-B2 25 P-B4 Q-KB4 26 R/1-Q1 K-N1 27 N-Q6 Q-KR4 28 NxN QxR+ 29 BxQ RxR 30 N-B6+ K-N2 31 NxR R-Q1 32 B-R4 RxN 33 BxN PxB and **1-0**.

Eddie Saunders vs. Robert Berger: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 0-0 8 g4 Nc6 9 Qd2 Bd7 10 h4 h5 11 gh Nh5 12 0-0-0 Rc8 13 Kb1 Ne5 14 f4 Ng4 15 f5 Ne3 16 Qe3 Kh7 17 Bd3 Qb6 18 Be2 Bh6 19 Qf3 Rg8 20 Nd5 Qd8 21 Rhg1 e6 22 fg fg 23 Nc3 Qh4 24 Rg4 Qf6 25 Qf6 Nf6 26 Rh4 g5 27 Rh2 Kg6 28 Ndb5 Bb5 29 Bb5 a6 30 Be2 Rcd8 31 Rdh1 Rh8 32 Rg2 Rdg8 33 Bc4 Kf7 34 Rf1 Ke7 35 Re1 Re8 36 a4 Nd7 37 Be2 Ne5 38 Nd1 Ref8 39 Nf2 Nf3 40 Rd1 Rhg8 41 Ng4 Bg7 42 Ne3 Be5 43 Nc4 g4 44 Rh1 Rf7 45 Ne5 Ne5 46 Rh4 Rfg7 47 Rg3 Kd7 48 Rh6 Rg6 49 Rh7+ Kc6 50 Rc3+ Kb6 51 Rb3+ Ka5 52 Rbb7 g3 53 Ra7 g2 54 Ra6+ Kb4 55 c3+ **1-0**.

William Brugge vs. Marvin Bolden: 1 d4 Nf6 2 e3 b6 3 Bd3 Bb7 4 Nf3 Be4 5 c4 Bd3 6 Qd3 d5 7 b3 e6 8 0-0 Be7 9 Bb2 Ne4 10 Nfd2 f5 11 f3 Nf6 12 e4 fe 13 fe 0-0 14 Nc3 Nc6 15 cd ed 16 e5 Nd4 17 ef6 Bf6 18 Rf6 Qf6 19 Nd5 Qf2+ 20 Kh1 Ne2 21 Qc4 Kh8 22 Rb1 Rad8 23 Qc7 Qf7 24 Qe5 Rd5 25 Rf1 Qf1+ **0-1**.

Duncan Campbell vs. Harold Morton: 1 e4 g6 2 d4 d6 3 Nf3 Bg7 4 Nbd2 Nf6 5 c3 0-0 6 Bc4 c6 7 Bb3 Nbd7 8 0-0 e5 9 de de 10 Re1 Qc7 11 Nf1 Nc5 12 Bc2 Be6 13 Bg5 Bc4 14 Ng3 Rfd8 15 Qb1 Rd7 16 b3 Bd3 17 Rd1 Rad8 18 b4 Bc2 19 Rd7 Bb1 20 Rc7 Rd1+ 21 Nf1 Nce4 22 Rc8+ Bf8 23 Bh6 Nd7 24 Ne5 Nef6 25 f3 Re1 26 Nd7 Nd7 27 Rd8 f6 28 Kf2 Rd1 29 Bf8 **1-0**.

Section C

Tim Green, Jr. vs. David Landinger: 1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 e3 Bg4 4 c4 e6 5 Qb3 b6 6 Ne5 Bd6 7 Qa4+ Nbd7 8 cd ed 9 Nc6 Qc8 10 Ba6 b5 11 Qa5 Bb4+ 12 Qb4 Qa6 13 Qe7++ **1-0**.

Section D/E/Unr.

Jerry Brintle vs. Gaylen Waddell: 1 P-Q4 P-QB4 2 P-QB3 N-KB3 3 P-K3 PxP 4 BPxP N-K5 5 B-Q3 Q-R4+ 6 B-Q2 NxB 7 NxN P-KN3 8 P-B4 B-N2 9 Q-B2 0-0 10 KN-B3 P-K3 11 0-0 N-B3 12 N-K5 NxN 13 BPxN P-B3 14 N-B4 Q-Q1 15 P-KR4 PxP 16 P-R5 RxR+ 17 RxR Q-N4 18 RPxP RPxP 19 Q-B2 PxP 20 Q-B7+ K-R1 21 R-B3 P-N4 22 R-R3+ B-R3 23 Q-K8+ (23 BxPl) K-N2 24 N-Q6 B-N2 25 QxQP+ K-N1 26 QxP+ K-N2 27 Q-B7+ K-R1 28 QxB R-KB1 29 N-B7+ **1-0**.

PRIZEWINNERS

Master Section:	1st	John Dunning	4 1/2-1/2
	2nd	Michael Calogridis	4 -1
		Roger Johnson	3 -2
		David Leinbach	3 -2
Section A:	1st	Richard Petty	4 1/2-1/2
	2nd	R. Peterson	3 1/2-1 1/2
		Ed Erwin	3 1/2-1 1/2
		Rickey Davis	3 1/2-1 1/2
Section B:	1st	Micheel Martin	5 -0
	2nd	Duncan Campbell	4 -1
		Jay Wilson	4 -1
Section C:	1st	Tim Green, Jr.	4 -1
		Joseph Aronovich	4 -1
	3rd	Kenneth Martin	3 1/2-1 1/2
		Delmar Pettys	3 1/2-1 1/2
Section D/E/Unr.:	1st	Lee Nagle	5 -0
	2nd	Logan Boyd	3 1/2-1 1/2
	3rd	Jerry Brintle	3 -2
		Richard Jones	3 -2

--Bill Snead

David Peterson, a Texas Prodigy

David Peterson, 7, is arguably the country's strongest chess player in the first grade, if not all elementary grades. Over the last six months he has had a string of successes that can only be characterized as a *roll*:

3rd at high school event, Albuquerque, N. M.

1st (4-0) at Murray Sate (Ky.) regional scholastic tournament, 10-under

1st (8-0) at Northeast Elementary Chp., Syracuse, N.Y.

2nd at Boggess scholastic tournament, Pulaski, Va.

2nd (7-1) at Crossville Elementary Tournament, Crossvill, TN

Tied 1st (8-2) at Winter Chess Classic, Austin, Tx.

His father Richard, a financial advisor in Austin and a class A tournament player, reels off the list with evident pride. He taught David the moves two years ago during a jet flight to Hong Kong, which was the fitting start of a dramatic chessic ascent. In the last year David has played some 150 tournament games, and his next rating will go above 1600, making him the nation's highest ranked child of 8 and under.

Richard loves to tell the story of the beach bum in Hawaii who swaggered about the Waikiki Beach chess gathering spot, offering to take on all comers for a dollar. Imagine his disbelief when Richard offered to make a side bet on his seven year old son! David was persuaded to leave his sandcastle long enough to take the stranger for three straight games, leaving him muttering to himself in disbelief. And then there was the high school champion in North Carolina who could only draw the young upstart (after getting a lost position, which David let slip.) His theory: "He's got to be a midget."

David is off to Hawaii again, hopefully to play Susan Urminska, the World Under-Ten Champion. His tournament schedule will include the National Elementary Championship in Southfield, Michigan (Apr. 22-24) and the National Junior H. S. Championship in Memphis, Tennessee (May 6-8.)

David has been featured on National Public Radio news. If his star continues to rise, he may appear on Johnny Carson's **Tonight Show** (he's already been to the Burbank studio)--so keep your fingers crossed!

--George True

Alten Karteltepe needs addresses for the following: Eric Cooke, Robert Skipper, Earl Norman, Steven Moller, Jimmie Popham, Jr., S. Ramakrishnapill, Paul Fischer, Steve Sommers, Edward Hill, Edward Sepulveda, and John Hall. Send to 122 Meadow Hill, Converse, TX 78109

S. A WINS S. A. NEW YEAR OPEN

Selby Anderson accepted a quick last round draw to clinch first with 4.5-0.5 in the New Year Open, held January 2-3 in San Antonio. The draw gave Richard Whedbee 4-1 to share the A prize with Martin Gordon. Also at 4-1 were Andy Smith and Blake Stevens, who divided the second place prize money

Greg Wren cleared the first B prize with 3.5-1.5, with Fred Speck second at 3-2. Michael Roberts won first C with 2.5, followed by Calvin Jones, Brian Bankler and Robert Weston at 2-3. Robert Morris, Mark Senkin and David Mellot tied at 1.5-3.5 to share the D&E prize.

Charles Hayden's lackluster showing (WD after 1.5 in 3 rounds) was as much a surprise as Whedbee's strong comeback after three years away from tournament play. Maybe Botvinnik was right about playing better when he was "hungry!"

Mike Moore directed.

Round 1

Jesse Buentello (2009) vs. Jack Fox (1710): 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 c5?! (Marshall's line, which involves a pawn sac after 4 ed ed 5 dc etc.) 4 Nf3(?) dc? (Nf6=) 5 Ne4 cd 6 Qd4 Qd4 7 Nd4 e5? (a6.) 8 Nb5 Kd7 9 Be3 Kc6 10 Nbc3 a6 11 Bc4 f6 12 0-0-0 (Now Black finds a brilliant way to put the King out of his misery:) Ne7!! 13 Rd6+ Kc7 14 Bb6++ **1-0**. The fatal mistake was bringing out a piece.

Fred Speck (1679) vs. Blake Stevens (2008): 1 d4 f5 2 g3 Nf6 3 Bg2 e6 4 Nf3 Bb4+ 5 Bd2 Be7 6 c4 Ne4 7 Nc3 0-0 8 Qc2 Nd2 9 Qd2 d6 10 b4 Nd7 11 c5? (0-0) e5 12 Nb5 ab 13 cd cd 14 Qb4 d5 15 Qc3 Qb6 16 a4 Ra4! 17 Ra4 Qb5 18 Qc2 Nb6 19 Ra1 Bb4+ 20 Nd2? (Kf1) Nc4 21 Rd1 Qa5 22 e3 Bd7 23 Ke2 Nd2 24 Rd2 Bb5+ 25 Rd3 Bd3+ 26 Qd3 Rc8 27 Rb1 Rc3 28 Qd1 Qa2+ 29 Kf3 Rc2 30 Qf1 g5 31 g4 Rf2+! **0-1**.

Round 2

Selby Anderson (2242) vs. Robert Barber 1983): 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 b5 5 Bb3 Bc5 6 c3 d6 7 d4 ed 8 cd Bb4+ 9 Bd2 Bd2+ 10 Nbd2 Bg4 11 Qc2 Nge7 12 Bd5 Bd7 (Qd7 also seems sufficient.) 13 Bc6 Nc6 14 0-0 0-0 15 Rfe1 Rc8 16 Nb3 Qf6 17 Rad1?! (Rac1) Qg6 18 Kh1 e5? (Ne7 prepares Bg4 with excellent attacking chances.) 19 d5 Nb4 20 Qd2 c5 21 a3 a4 22 ab4 ab3 23 bc dc 24 Ne5 Qd6 25 f4 Be8 26 Nf3 b4 27 e5 Qb6 28 f5 c4 (f6 29 e6 Qd6 30 e7 Rf7 31 Re6+-) 29 f6! h6 (gf?? 30 Qh6) 30 Rc1 Qc5 31 fg Kg7 32 Nd4! f5?? (Bd7 33 Re3 with threats of Rg3+, e6 and Nb3) 33 Ne6+ **1-0**.

Martin Gordon (1987) vs. Charles Hayden (2197): 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 g6 5 Nc3 Bg7 6 Be3 Nf6 7 Bc4 0-0 8 f3 (This is inferior to 8 Bb3 and 8 0-0, although Keres and Fischer both tried it. The attempt to play the Yugoslav attack doesn't work when Black postpones ...d6.) Qb6! 9 Bb3 Ng4 (Also good is Ne4= as in Fischer-Panno, Petroroz 1958.) 10 Nd5? (10 fg4 Bd4 11 Bd4 Qd4 12 Qd4 Nd4 13 000 Nb3 14 ab3 d6= ECO.) Ne3 11 Nb6 Nd1 12 Nc6 bc6 13 Nc8 13 Nc8 Nb2 14 Ne7+ Kh8 15 Rb1

Rae8 (Bc3-+) 16 Kd2 e5 17 e4 Re7 18 c3 Ne4 19 Be4 Rfe8 20 Rb7 Bh6+ 21 Kc2 f5 22 Rd1 fe 23 fe Re4 24 Rdd7 Re4 25 Rh7+ Kg8 26 Rh6 Ra2+ 27 Kb3 **1/2-1/2**.

David Leinbach (2059) vs. Henry Laurenzo (1957): 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 d4 0-0 6 Be2 e5 7 0-0 Nc6 8 d5 Ne7 9 Ne1 Nd7 10 Nd3 f5 11 f3 f4 12 Bd2 g5 13 Rc1 h5 14 h3 Nf6 15 c5 g4? (Ng6. The next four moves as they appear on the scoresheet contitute a puzzle: "16 BPxP PxP 17 RPxP B-R3 18 P-N3 R-B2 19 PxP BxP." Solution) 16 fg hg 17 hg Bh6 18 g3 Rf7 19 gf Bg4 20 fe Be2 21 Qe2 Rg7+ 22 Kf2 Ng4+ 23 Ke1 Bd2+ 24 Kd2 Ne5 25 Ne5 de5 26 Rg1 Ng6 27 Qh5 Qf6 28 Rg2 Rf8 29 Rcg1 Qa6 30 Rg6 Rf2+ 31 Ke3 **1-0**.

Andy Smith (2180) vs. Joel Hackbart (1980): 1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 de 4 Ne4 Bf5 5 Ng3 Bg6 6 Bc4 Nf6 7 Nge2 e6 8 0-0 Bd6 9 f4 Qd7 10 Kh1 0-0 11 Ng1 c5 12 Be3 cd 13 Bd4 Ne4 14 Ne4 Be4 15 Qg4 Bg6 16 Bc3 Qc7 17 Bb3 Nc6 18 h4?! h5 19 Qg3 Ne7 20 Nh3 Nf5 21 Qe1 Rfe8 22 Be5 Rad8 23 Ng5 Be5 24 fe5 Nd4 25 c3 Nb3 26 ab3 a6 27 Ra4 Rd5 28 Re4 Red8 29 Re3 Qd7 30 Qg3 Rd1 31 Red3 Bf5 32 Kh2 Rf1 33 Rf1 Qd3 34 Qf4 Qe2 35 Rf2 Qg4 36 Qg4 hg4 37 Kg3?? f6 38 ef gf 39 Ne6 Rd3+ **0-1**.

Eddie Sepulveda (1991) vs. Richard Whedbee (1876): 1 f4 Nf6 2 Nf3 d5 3 b3 g6 4 Bb2 Bg7 5 e3 c5 6 Be2 Nc6 7 0-0 0-0 8 Qe1 Bf5 9 Bd1 Nb4 10 d3 Bd3!? 11 cd3 Nd3 12 Qe2 Nb2 13 Qb2 Ng4 14 Nc3 Ne3 15 Re1 d4 16 Re3 de3 17 Rc1 Qd6 18 g3 Rfd8 19 Be2 a6 20 Qc2 Bc3 21 Qc3 Qe6 22 Ng5 Qf6 23 Qc5 Rac8 24 Qe3 Qd4! 25 Qd4 Rc1+ Qd1 26 Qd1 Rdd1+ 27 Bd1 Rd1+ **0-1**.

Round 3

Charles Roach (1975) vs. Selby Anderson --ending:

In this textbook situation Black needs to lose a move by triangulation, thus: 34...Ke7 35 Ke4? (White need not cooperate with the plan. 35 Kf3! g5 36 g4! is good for a draw--try it.) Kd6 36 Kf4 Kd6 37 Ke4 (37 e4 is also bad) g5 38 Kf3 Ke5 39 Ke2 Ke4!? (Less exciting but just as effective is gh, which wins as long as Black doesn;t trade off his f-pawn. On the other hand, g4? only draws.) 40 g4! gh 41 gh Kf5 42 h6 (Or 42 Kf3 Kg5 43 h6 Kh6 44 Kg4 Kg6 45 e4 f5+!) Kg6 43 h7 Kh7 44 Kf3 Kg6 45 Kg4 h3 46 Kh3 Kf5 47 Kg3 Ke4 48 Kf2 (At this point i coounted 9 moves to queen my a-pawn, 9 for White to queen his e-pawn--but Black queens first with check!) Kd3 49 Kf3 Kc3 50 Ke4 Kb3 51 Kd5? (Spite?) Ka4 52 Ke6 Kb4 53 Kf6 a4 54 e4 a3 55 e5 a2 56 e6 a1(Q)+ 57 Kf7 Qe5 58 e7 Kc4 59 e8(Q) Qe8+ 60 Ke8 **0-1**.

Brian Darr (1957) vs. David Leinbach: 1 b3 Nf6 2 Bb2 d6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 (4 Bf6!) Bg7 5 c4 0-0 6 e3 Bg4 7 f3 Bd7 8 Ne2 Qc8 9 h3 c5 10 Nbc3 a6 11 Nd5? Nd5 12 Bg7

Ne3 13 de3 Kg7 14 Nc3 Bc6 15 h4 Qe6 16 Qd3 Nd7 17 e4 f5 18 0-0-0 b5 19 Nd5 Bd5 20 ed5 Qf6 21 Kc2 Ne5 22 Qc3 Rab8 23 Rhe1 bc 24 f4 Nd3? (cb+) 25 Re7+ Rf7 26 Qf6+ Kf6 27 Re6+ Kg7 28 Rd6 Nb4+ 29 Kc3 cb 30 abRe8 **1/2-1/2**.

Charles Hayden vs. Tim Richardson (1803): 1 e4 Nc6 2 Nc3 e5 3 f4 ed 4 Nf3 Be7 5 h4? Nf6 6 d4 d5 7 e5 Nh5 8 Bb5 Bg4 9 Rh2 Bh4+ 10 Kf1 Bg3 11 Rh1 0-0 12 Bc6 bc6 13 Qd3 Bf3 14 Qf3 g6 15 Ne2 f6 16 Rh5 gh5 17 Ng3 fg3 18 Bh6 fe 19 Bf8 Qf8 20 de Qf3+ 21 gf3 Rf8 22 Kg2 h4 23 Re1 Rf5 24 Re3 Kf7 25 Kh3 Ke6 26 Kh4 g2 **0-1**.

Tom Patton (2140) vs. Joel Senger (1822): 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e6 6 Be2 Be7 7 Be3 0-0 8 0-0 a6 9 f4 Nc6 10 Bf3 Qc7 11 Qe2 Bd7 12 Rad1 Rac8 13 Kh1 Nd4 14 Bd4 Bc6 15 g4 b5 16 e3 d5!? (e5) 17 ed Nd5 18 Nd5 ed5 19 Qg2!? Qf4 20 Bd5 Bd5 21 Qd5 Qh6 (Qd6=) 22 c3 Rcd8 23 Qg2 Bd6 24 Rf5 Qe6 25 Rdf1 Rde8 26 Bc5 Bc5+ 27 Rc5 Qe4 28 Rc6 Qg2 29 Kg2 Re2+ 30 Rf2 Re6 31 Re6 fe6 32 Rf8+ Kf8 33 Kf3 Ke7 34 Ke4 Kd6 35 c4! bc 36 Kd4 h6 37 Kc4 Ke5 38 b4 Kf4 39 a4 e5 40 b5 Kf3 41 ba e4 42 a7 Kf2 43 a8(Q) **1-0**.

Round 4

Selby Anderson vs. Blake Stevens: 1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 h3 0-0 6 Be3 c6 7 a4 Nbd7 8 Be2 Qc7 9 0-0 Re8 10 Qd2 e5 11 de Ne5 12 Rfd1 Be6? 13 Qd6 Qd6 14 Rd6 Nc4?? 15 Re6 Ne3 16 Re8+ Re8 17 fe3 Ne4 18 Ne4 Re4 19 c3 Re3 20 Kf2 Re8 21 Bc4 b5 22 ab cb 23 Bb5 Rb8 24 c4 Bb2 25 Ra7 and **1-0** in 5.

Richard Whedbee vs. David Leinbach: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 ed ed 4 Nf3 Bd6 5 Nc3 Ne7 6 Be2 Bf5 7 a3 c6 8 0-0 Qc7 9 Re1 Nd7 10 h3 0-0-0? 11 b4 Kb8 12 Bd3 Bd3 13 Qd3 h6 14 b5 Ng6 15 Rb1 Ka8 16 a4 Nf6 17 bc bc 18 Bd2 Rb8 19 Qa6 Rb6 20 Rb6 Qb6 21 Qb6 ab6 22 Ne5 Be5 23 de5 Ng8 24 e6 fe 25 Re6 N8e7 26 Be3 c5 27 Nb5! (Spurning the pawn--27 Nd5?!--because the Knights are shackled to each other.) Kb7 28 h4 d4 29 Bd2 Ra8 (h5 30 Bg5 Re8 31 Nd6+) 30 h5 Ra4 31 hg6 Ra1+ 32 Kh2 Nd5 33 Bh6! Ra2 34 Bg7 Rc2 35 Bh6 Ra2 36 g7 Ra8 37 Nd6+ Ka6 38 Ne8 Re8 39 Re8 Nf6 40 Re6 Ng8 41 Bg5 c4 42 Re8 Kb5 43 Rg8 Kb4 44 Rc8 b5 45 g8(Q) Kb3 46 Qd5 d3 47 Qb5+ Kc2 48 Qc4+ Kb1 49 Rb8+ Ka1 50 Qa4++ **1-0**.

Tim Richardson vs. Andy Smith: 1 e4 e5 2 Bc4 Nc6 3 d3 Bc5 4 Nf3 h6 5 Be3 Bb6 6 0-0 d6 7 Nbd2 Qf6 8 c3 Nge7 9 a4 g5 10 b4 a6 11 Bb6 cb6 12 b5 Nd8 13 d4 Ne6 14 de de 15 Bd5 Nf4 16 c4 h5 17 Ra3 Neg6 18 Ne1 g4 19 Nd3 h4 20 Nf4 Nf4 21 g3 hg 22 fg Qd6! 23 Qb3? (23 Ra2∞) Qh6 24 h4 Nh3+ 25 Kh1 Qd2 26 Ra2 Qd4 27 Bf7+ Ke7 28 Bd5 Rf8 29 Qa3+ Qc5 30 Rf8 Kf8 31 Qc5+ bc5 32 b6 Ke7 33 Rb2 Rb8 34 Kg2 Be6 35 Be6 Ke6 36 Rd2 a5 37 Rd5 Rc8 38 Rd2 Rc6 and **0-1** in 13.

Eddie Sepulveda vs. Raymond Smith (1949): 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 d5 3 Bf4 Nc6 4 Nc3 a6 5 e3 e6 6 a3 Bd6 7 Bg3 0-0 8 Bd3 Re8 9 Ne5 Ne7 10 f4 c5 11 Bf2 b5 12 g4 c4 13 g5 cd3 14 gf6 dc 15 Qh5 Be5 16 fe7 Qe7 17 fe5 b4 18 Ra2?? c1(Q)+ **0-1**. I couldn't believe this, either.

Jack Fox vs. Robert Barber: 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Bc6 dc6 5 d3 Bd6 6 h3 h6 (Ne7) 7 0-0 Nf6 8 Nbd2 Be6 9 b3 Qe7 10 Nc4 Nd7 11 a4 0-0-0 12 Be3 f5 13 ef Bf5 14 Re1 Qf7 15 Nd6+ cd6 16 Nd2 g5 17 Nc4 Nf6 18 Nb6+ Kb8 19 b4 Rdg8 20 b5 g4 21 h4 g3 22 bc? (22 ba with the idea of Qd2 and a7+ is better.) gf+ 23 Bf2 Nh5 24 Re3 Rg6 25 Kf1 Rhf8 26 Qf3 Rf6 27 Ke1 Be6 28 Rb1 Rf3 29 Rf3 Nf4 30 Kd2 Rg8 31 g3 Qh5 32 Re3 Ng2 and **0-1** in 40.

Round 5

Richard Whedbee vs. Selby Anderson: 1 e4 d5 2 ed Nf6 3 d4 Nd5 4 Nf3 Bg4 5 Be2 e6 6 0-0 Nc6 7 c3 Be7 8 Re1 0-0 9 h3 **1/2-1/2!**

Andy Smith vs. Brian Oarr: 1 e4 Nc6 2 Nc3 e6 3 d4 d5 4 e5 Bb4 5 Qg4 Bf8 6 Nf3 Qd7 7 a3 b6 8 Bd2 Bb7 9 b4 h5 10 Qf4 Nh6 11 Bd3 a5 12 b5 Ne7 13 Nh4 g6 14 Qf6 Rg8 15 Bh6 Bh6 16 Nf3 Bg7 17 Qf4 0-0-0 18 Na4 Rdf8 19 Qd2 f6 20 c4 dc 21 Bc4 Bf3?! 22 gf3 fe 23 Rc1 Kb8 24 Nc5! bc5 25 Qa5 Nd5 26 dc Rf3 27 c6 Qd6 (Qc8 28 Bd5 ed5 29 b6 cb 30 Qb6+ Ka8 31 Qa5+ Kb8 32 Rb1+) 28 Qa6 **1-0**.

Blake Stevens vs. Joel Hackbart: 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 g3 d5 4 Bg2 dc 5 0-0 Bd6 6 Na3 c6 7 Nc4 Bc7 8 b3 0-0 9 Bb2 Nbd7 10 Qc2 Re8 11 d4 Nb6 12 e4 Nc4 13 bc4 c5 14 e5 Nd7 15 Rad1 cd 16 Rd4 Qe7 17 c5! f6 18 Rh4 f5 19 c6 Nf8 20 Rc1 b6 21 Qb3 a5 22 Ba3 Qf7 23 Bd6 h6 24 Nd4 Ng6 25 Nb5 Nh4 26 Nc7 Ba6 27 gh4 **1-0**.

Raymond Smith vs. Martin Gordon: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 f3 e5 7 Nb3 Be6 8 Bg5 Be7 9 Bf6 Bf6 10 Nd5 Be7 11 c4 Nc6 12 Qd2 Rc8 13 Be2 0-0 14 0-0 f5 15 Rad1 Bg5 16 f4 ef 17 Nf4 Qb6+ 18 Kh1 fe 19 Qd6 Bf7 20 Ne6 Be7 21 Qd5 Nb4 22 Qd7 Qe6 and **0-1** in 17.

Robert Barber vs. Tom Patton: 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 Nf3 g6 4 g3 Bg7 5 Bg2 d6 6 d3 Nge7 7 Bd2 Rb8 8 Rb1 a6 9 a4 a5 10 Nd5 0-0 11 b4 Nd5 12 cd Nb4 13 Bb4 ab 14 Rb4 Ra8 15 0-0 b6 16 e4 Bd7 17 Qc2 Ra5 18 Nd2 Bh6 19 Nc4 Rc5 20 Qb3 f5 21 a5 ba 22 Rb7 f4 23 Rb1 fg 24 hg Qf6 25 Qa2 Bg5 26 Ra7 h5 27 Rbb7 Qd8 28 Ra5 Bc8 29 Rb8 Ra5 30 Qa5 h4 31 Qa7 hg 32 fg Qf6 33 Qc7 **1/2-1/2**.

Joel Senger vs. Pat Gannon (1993): 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 d6 3 Nc3 Nbd7 4 Nf3 e5 5 d5 c5 6 e4 Be7 7 Be2 0-0 8 0-0 Ne8 9 h3 g6 10 Bh6 Ng7 11 Qd2 f6 12 g4 Rf7 13 Kh2 Nf8 14 Rg1 a6 15 a4 Rb8 16 b3 b6 17 Rg2 Ne8 18 Bf8 Bf8 19 Rag1 Nc7 20 Rh1 b5 21 ab ab 22 cb Bd7 23 b6 Rb6 24 Qc2 Bh6 25 Rb1 Bf4+ 26 Kh1 Nb5 27 Bb5 Bb5 28 b4 cb 29 Rb4 Bf1 30 Rb6 Bg2+ 31 Kg2 Qb6 32 Ne2 Bh6 33 Qc8+ Kg7 34 h4 Qb2 35 Ng3 Be3 36 Nh1 Bc5 37 g5 f5 38 ef Rf5 **0-1** (time.)

--**Selby Anderson**

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LETTERS

TCA Membership, Regional Championships

It is a mistake to assume that Texas Knights can carry the load of obtaining new members on its own. TK can help to KEEP members already in the fold, but that is about as far as it can go in the matter of obtaining new members. If TCA is to grow, one thing and one thing alone can make it grow. The Texas Chess Association must INSIST on TCA memberships for OTB tournaments that are traditionally and officially TCA oriented. When this is done, and adhered to, you will get all the members you need, but if this is NOT done, then TCA will simply dry up, and private chess groups will take over locally, and a State Organization will cease to exist.

... TK cannot and must not try to ape Chess Life. This is a magazine for the rank and file average chess player in Texas. It should be directed to the average Texas chess player.

...Finally, ALL Regional Directors should get busy NOW to set up TCA Regional Championship Tournaments for their areas along the same lines as has Pat Ready. Pat can furnish any information on this, and Tony Alston is also familiar with the Regional Championship setup, as is Bill Snead.

Kenneth Hackney

Nacogdoches

This is as good a place as any to remind readers of their regional directors:

Region I (Panhandle): Pat Ready, P.O. Box 233, Sundown, TX 78372

Region II (NW Texas): Bobby Johnson (address?)

Region III (NE Texas): Richard Weaver, 2682 Hearthstone, Farmer's Branch, TX 75234

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Region V (N Gulf Coast): Todd Thomas, 3233 Mangum # 259, Houston, TX 77902

Region VI (S Central): Selby Anderson, P.O. Box 501, Helotes, TX 78023

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Popularizing Chess in the U.S.A.

Chess masters and grandmasters are our heroes. We need to pay our heroes better. How can we do this? It is not easy with the present course U.S. Chess is heading. People that love the game are not working together to promote the game. Here are some points that may help us to accomplish our goals:

1. We give our grandmasters and masters titles, and not much cash. So let's use the phrase "chess professionals," as we do with golf and tennis. Our best players need to be able to make a living by playing chess.

2. We need a professional chess masters association of America.

3. The board of directors of this organization need to be professionals in advertising, marketing, law, accounting, business, and chess. We need a commissioner of professional chess, just as with other sports such as baseball, football and basketball.

4. We need to have corporations to support our professional chess tournaments.

A. Chess pros need to be involved with charities. In southeast Texas we raised money for the Leukemia Society of America. Tug at corporate hearts by showing them that their advertising dollar will help them look better in their community and help them sell their image and product.

B. Show corporate managers the advantages of using their advertising dollar for funding professional chess events. We can be a real help to them.

C. Have professional chess players endorse their products.

D. Professional chess players need to have a rating of 2000 or more to qualify for the tour. (USCF, FIDE, or euivalent Elo system rating.)

E. Professional chess players need to be salespeople of the game of chess.

F. We need to encourage more women to play the game and have a women's professional tour. If golf and tennis can do it, why not chess?

G. We need to make the game more exciting by speeding up the time controls e.g., one hour sudden death or 30/30. Draws decided by best 2 out of 3 speed games (5 min.) Then chess will be more exciting than sky diving. If the prize money is excellent then chess pros will not mind the new stress. If the game is more exciting, the sponsors will not mind putting up the big bucks.

H. Create a win/win situation between sponsors, organizers, and the **Professional Chess Players Association of America.**

5. We need to create more "how to win" chess videos for players with a rating under 2000. Explaining how to improve their game. For instance, endgame studies, how to play the middle game and opening. Have these videos narrated by chess professionals of the highest caliber. There is magic in receiving master or professional lesssons.

6. Chess computers need to be used to help players improve their game. Computers need to be in a category of their own in tournaments, so that human players need not play them unless they want to. *(This option was used at the U.S. Open last year, and has become a popular practice along with outright "NC" (no computer) tournaments, as the Chess Life "tournament life" section attests.--Ed.)*

7. Simultaneous exhibitions at shopping malls will help to let more people know about the game of chess. Every tournament player needs to be a salesperson for the game. You do not have to be a 2200+ player to play a simull Sometimes you cannot

get a 2200+ player So use the strongest player available We get radio stations in our area to have live broadcasts from these events. They sell commercial packages to pay for these events. One key: Raise money for the charity of your choice.

8. Masters may help to teach promising players of weaker playing strength. Consider chess videos instead of books, or chess on floppy disk for computer owners.

9. We all need to work together as a team. We need to create a winning situation for everyone. More exciting thoughts about the game need to be written about and discussed by chess players of all playing strengths. Class players need to play for prizes and trophies, and not to be compensated as much as masters and grandmasters. Weekend golf and tennis players do not receive as much as the professionals. So why should class chess players recieve more for playing unless they beat a bunch of 2000+ players?

10. There needs to be a reason for a chess player to improve his game and to become a master or grandmaster.

11. I am not perfect and I welcome feedback. I want to start the ball rolling. We are sending chess into the 21st century. The game itself is perfect and need not be changed; but the time limits and how to settle a tie game in important situations do need changing. Sudden death time control and 5 minute chess is one solution. This may be one answer. The rest is up to you and what you can imagine. Chess is the game of the past, present and future in the U.S.A.

Steve Wellborn
Vidor, TX

Chess has had an uphill struggle in getting mass recognition in this country. We may be at a turning point, as happened with golf and tennis decades ago. Certainly the time factor needs changing if we want an audience. Then there's the inteelectual snob mystique, which turns people off even as it sells cologne on TV. We need to get monkeys to learn chess the way they have learned sign language--I think it can be done! That would help overcome the "IQ barrier" in people's minds. Lasker and Capablanca downplayed the intellectual content by comparing chess to talking or painting a picture. Fischer proved for all that a great chess athlete need not be intellectual or sophisticated in the popular sense of those words.

The benefit simuls in malls are dynamite--and remember that charity sponsorship means FREE public service announcements on radio and TV. We are putting together a Leukemia Society simul in San Antonio Feb. 18 at Central Park Mall, with NM Jim Gallagher, Jr. These ideas work!---Ed.

An Open Letter to TCA Members
from FIDE Master John Jacobs

As a Texas chessplayer, what would you think about the possibility of receiving a weekly "TCA bulletin" announcing upcoming events and games at no cost to the TCA or its members?

Chessplayers, myself included, are sometimes guilty of being great with details but not seeing the big picture, but a recent conversation with Houston's Billy Patteson at the recent Texas Class Championships in Dallas sure changed my perspective. Bill Asked, "John, now that the Singleton group owns both the Dallas Times-Herald and the HoustonPost, what's the chance of getting your Herald chess column in the Post?

Well, my weekly (Sunday) column in the Herald, which features local, state-wide, national and international chess news and games, is in its 14th year. After some early unsuccessful attempts to find sponsorship from a features or newspaper syndicate, I had dropped the idea of syndication.

But there is a much more effective approach: Conduct a letter writing campaign with each individual newspaper editor. One thing I do know about editors is the tremendous influence even one letter has upon them. Just a few letters can move mountains.

And why stop at the Houston Post? Once we have a Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Austin, Lubbock, Midland, Odessa and El Paso newpaper carrying the colums, virtually every chessplayer in Texas will have access to current state-wide, national and international chess news. Imagine the impact on the general level of "chess consciousness" in the state of Texas!

What I need to make this happen is the support of every TCA member and his chess friends in writing to their local newspaper editor to request that he consider carrying the "John Jacobs chess column." Ask the editor to write me for deatils at:

3723 Ruidosa
Dallas, TX 75228

Be sure and let the editor know that you and a number of friends in your area are avid chessplayers and starved for chess news. I'll leave the specific wording to you, since duplication could have a negative effect.

If you will give me your support in this endeavor, then, working in concert with TCA, I will promise to deliver, in the space available, the best state-wide chess coverage available, the best state-wide chess coverage found anywhere.

You heard the man. Let's go for it!

I might add that John has competition in the Beaumont, Port Arthur and

Orange area --a form letter is circulating to get Larry Evans' column in the Beaumont Enterprise. It is a good model, of its kind, so I'll reproduce it here:

"Attn: Letter to the Editor (Enterprise Co., P.O. Box 3071, Beaumont, TX 77704)

The chess players of Beaumont, Port Arthur and Orange area would like to see a weekly chess column by Grandmaster Larry Evans, P.O. Box 1182, Reno, NV 84504 (702) 786-3187. Would you start this column as soon as possible? Grandmaster Evans will be in Beaumont for the Neches River Festival April 15-17. Evans will be running the press room for the Texas Open Chess Classic as part of the festival. Thank you for considering the needs of chess players. Your readership will increase because of this chess column." (Steve Wellborn.) *Of course with Larry Evans we miss the Texas emphasis. Wouldn't it be great to have competing papers with competing chess columns?--Ed.*

Computer Chess

with Ken Hackney

White: Ken Hackney (1622) Black: Par Excellence (USCF certified 2100--level 11): 1 e4 c5 2 d4 cd 3 c3 dc 4 Nc3 Nc6 5 Nf3 Nf6 6 Bc4 d6 (This is identical to the diagram on p. 28 of Ken Smith's booklet.) 7 0-0 Be6? (This move opens a Pandora's box of trouble for Black. Better is 7...e6.) 8 Be6 fe6 9 Qb3! Qd7 10 Bf4 Rc8 11 Rfd1 h6 (Attempting to drive away or trade off the Bf4.) 12 e5 g5 13 Bg3 Nh5 14 ed ed 15 Ne5 Ne5 (From here on Black's Q is in constant trouble from attacking White pieces) 16 Be5 Rg8 17 Ne4 d5 18 Qh3! (18 g4 is also strong, since the Black Knight is tied down to preventing Nf6+. If Black counterattacks by 18...Qh7 19 Qe4+ wins. *[Nooh, 19...Rc6 is clear as mud. 18 Qh3 is best.--Ed.]*) Qf7 19 Rd5! Nf4 20 Bf4 gf4 21 Rd6 Rg6 22 Rad1 (Re1!?) f3! 23 g3 Bg7 (Possible here is Be7. However, White can pin the B with 24 Rd7 threatening Nd6+.) 24 Nc5! Bb2 (If Rc4 25 Rd8+ Ke7 26 R8d7+ winning the exchange of R for Q. *[Still, it's Black's best try, since the Qh3 is no ball of fire--Ed.]*) 25 Ne6 Rc1! (Now Black's R tries a pin of its own, but alas, too late.) 26 Rd8+ Ke7 27 Rd7+ Ke8 28 Nc7+ (To draw the rook off the first rank) Rc7 29 Rf7 Kf7 (Rf7 30 Qc8+) 30 Rd7+ Rd7 31 Qd7+ Kf6 32 Qb7 and White mated on move 69. Once Black's pawns start falling, it's all over.

IM Jack Peters simul tour this April

Call Tony Alston: (512) 532-4203

Tournament Calendar

February 12-14

27th Annual El Paso Open. 5-SS, 40/100, 20/50, SD/30, Central YMCA, 701 Montana, El Paso, TX 79901. $$ (b/70). 2 sections: **Open**, EF: $25, jr. $20 if rec'd by 2/10. $$ (1st guaranteed):300-200-100, Exp., A each 100, Under 1800/Unr. 50; trophies. **Reserve**, open to under 1700/Unr. EF $20, jr. $15if rec'd by 2/10. $$ 150-100-50, under 1500, 1400, 1300, 1200, each 50, Unr 25; trophies. **Both**, EF $5 more at site, 1/2 pt. bye rd. if requested in advance. Foreign Unr. must enter Open section. Higher of FIDE or USCF rating used. Reg. 5-7 pm, Rds. 7:30, 9-3, 8-2. Ent: Dave Meier, 8201 Turquoise, El Paso, TX 79904. Cks. to CC of El Paso. (915) 751-9617. No smoking, no computers. Wheelchair access.

February 13

San Jacinto February Swiss 3-SS, 30/1, San Jacinto College, 2nd fl. Student Ctr. Bldg., 8060 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena, TX 77505. EF: $5. Trophies. Reg. 9:30-10 am, Rds. 10-1-4. Info: (713) 481-1878. NS, NC, W.

February 27-28

Dallas/Ft. Worth 4 Round Swiss. 4-SS, 45/2, Hurst Public Library, 901 Precinct Line Rd., Hurst, TX. 2 sections: **Open, Under 1600.** Both: EF $20. $$ 80% of EF per class. Reg. 11:30-noon, Rds. 12-5, 10-3. D/FW MCCC, c/o Malcolm Hiberd, 8400 Bellchase #311, Ft. Worth, TX 76112. (817) 261-8918. NS, NC, W.

1988 Texas State Team Championship. 4-SS, 30/90, Chariot Inn, 7300 N IH 35, Austin, TX. (512) 452-9371. 4 player teams with optional alternate (lowest rated player), total team rating 8400/below for top 4. EF: $75/team if rec'd by 2/22, $95 at site. TCA mem. req. $8, jr. $5. $$ ($550 b/16 teams): 300-100; trophy to top 3 teams, indiv. trophy for each top board, plaques to each on top 2 teams, $150 & trophy to top team under 1750 avg. Reg. 12-1, Rds. 1-6, 9-3. Hotel: $38 up to 4 /room, mention chess. Ent: A.C.E., 7210 Teaberry Dr., Austin, TX 78745. (512) 465-3052 or 443-1160. NS, NC

March 18

West Texas Game/30. 5-SS, game/30, Holiday Inn T-dome, 3904 W. Wall, Midland, TX (915) 694-7774. EF: $10 if recd by 3/12, $12 at site, $2 18-under and women. SS ($75 guaranteed): 50-25, + trophy 1st, 1st under-1800, under-1500. Reg.4:30-5:20 pm, Rds. 5:30-6:40-7:50-9:00-10:10 (1/2 pt. bye any 2 rds. if req. at reg.) Hotel $32/$39. Ent.: Robert Montgomery, 4908 Sunshine Pkway., Midland, TX 79707, (915) 699-4239. NS, NC.

March 19-20

Texas Junior Championship. 5-SS, 50/2, 18-under, Holiday Inn T-Dome, 3904 W. Wall, Midland, TX, (915) 694-7774. EF: $2 (at site or adv.) Trophy + chess set 1st; plaque +

set each grade (6-12) winner Reg. 8-9 am. Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 8:30-1:30. Hotel $32/39. Ent: Robert Montgomery, 4908 Sunshine Pkwy. Midland, TX 79707. NS, NC.

Texas Senior Championship. 5-SS, 50/2, 50-over, Holiday Inn T-Dome (see above), EF: $10 if rec'd by 3/12, $12 at site. $$ (150 gt'd): 100-50, + trophy 1st Reg., Rds. Hotel & Ent. see Texas Junior above.

Permian Basin Spring Open. 5-SS, 50/2, Holiday Inn T-dome (see Tx Jr. above.) EF: $20 if recd by 3/12, $25 at site. GRAND PRIX $$ (430 guaranteed): 200 + trophy-50; A, B, under-1600 each: $60 + trophy. Reg., Rds., Hotel & Ent. see Texas Junior above.

San Antonio Spring Open. 5-SS, 45/2, 25/1, Continental Inn, 9735 IH 35 N, Starlight Terrace exit, San Antonio, TX. EF: $20 if rec'd by 3/17, $25 at site. $$ (500 b/40, 5/class): 125-75, A, B, C, D/below each 50-25. Reg. 8-9 am, Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:70, 9-3. Ent: SACC, 4510 Walzem, San Antonio, TX 78218. (512) 655-1309. LS, NC.

April 2-3

San Jacinto Open. 4-SS, 45/2, 301 Rudder Tower, Texas A & M University, College Station, TX. EF: $25 (adv. or at site), $20 junior or local student, TCA req. $$ based on entries, at least one lower class prize. Reg. 12:15-12:45 pm, Rds. 1-6, 9-2:30. Ent: Dr. Dusan Djuric, 1018 Holt St., College Station, TX 77840, ofc. (409) 845-5522, home 696-5504 Limited smoking, computers allowed, wheelchair access.

April 15- 17

Texas Open Chess Classic. 5-SS, 45/2, 25/1, The Beaumont Hilton, 2344 IH-10, Beaumont, TX. Two sections: **Open** $$ (3000 gt'd): 1000- 500-250-150-100; Exp. 500-250; Below Exp. 250. EF: $50 if rec'd by 4/10, $65 at site, TCA or other state membership required. **Reserve** (1999 and under): $$ (2000 b/60): 500-300-200; 1st each class $200 (A, B, C, D, E, Unr.) EF: $40 if rec'd by 4/10, $55 at site, TCA/state req. **All:** Reg. 8 -9 am Sat., Rds.: 10-3-8, 9:30-2:30. Ent.: Steve Wellborn, P.O. Drawer D, Vidor, TX 77662, (409) 769-5402. Hotel: $40 (sgl or dbl), (409) 842-3600. Limited smoking, computers allowed (under USCF guidelines), wheelchair access.

Delight for D Players. (Austin, TX) Details next issue.

April 24, May 1, May 8

A.C.E. Quads. 3-RR, 35/90, 1701 Palo Duro Rd., Austin, TX. $$ (based on 4/section) $15 each quad. EF: $11 ($6 ACE members) Reg. 6:30-7 pm, Rds. 7 pm each Sunday. NS.

May 14

A.C.E. May Sectional. 3-SS, 25/1, 1701 Palo Duro Rd., Austin, TX $$ ($45 based on 8/section): 30-15 each 8-man section. EF: $12 if rec'd by 5/10 ($9 ACE members), $17 at site ($14 ACE members)--TCA required. Reg. 8:30-9 am, Rds. 9-12-7. Ent: A.C.E.,

7210 Teaberry Dr., Austrin, TX 78745, (512) 443-1160 or 465-3052. NS, NC, W.

May 28-30

Texas State Championship and Amateur Championship. 6-SS, 40/2, GRAND PRIX (20 pts), $4200 prize fund (b/190, top 3 gt'd.) Hyatt Regency, 208 Barton Springs, Austin, TX (512) 477-1234. 2 sections: **Championship**: open to 2000/above. EF: $35 if rec'd by 5/24, $45 at site. $$ ($1000 guaranteed to top 3): 700-350-200-100-100 (trophies top 2)/ Exp. 250 -100-100 (plaque 1st). **Amateur**: open to below 2000. EF: $35 if rec'd by 5/24 (Jr. $30), $45 at site (Jr. 40.) $$ 600-300-200-100 (trophies top 2); Class $$ (based on 10/ class; plaque to top each class): B: 250-100-50/ C: 200-100/ D :150/ E-below: 100/ Unr. 200, limit $300 to Unr. REGISTRATION 10 am-noon (TCA required), Rds. 1-6, 10-4, 9-4. Hotel: $59 sgl, $65 dbl if by 5/8. Ent: Austin Chess Enterprises, 7210 Teaberry Dr., Austin, TX 78745, (512) 443-1160. NS, NC, W.

June 12, 19, 26, July 10

A.C.E. Micro Swiss XXXVI. 4-SS, 35/90, 17012 Palo Alto Rd., Austin TX. EF: $17 ($12 A.C.E. members.) Reg 6:30-7 pm 6/12, Rds. 7:30 each Sunday. NS, NC, W.

---------- *-Around the State*

• Roger Smith and Dusan Djuric each scored 3-0 to tie for first in the Texas A & M Open, held last October 17. They each won $85; Stuart Wittenstein scored 2.5-.5 to take 3rd place and $30. The upper class prize was shared by Hesman Elbanna and John McBeth, scoring 2-1 for $15 each. Also scoring 2-1 were lower class prizewinners Matthew Dickerson, Robert S. Brown and George M. Weinberg ($10 each.) William T Hyde directed.

• The San Antonio Chess Club, which celebrates its 100th anniversery this year, elected Mike Moore as its new president at the annual business meeting, held Jan. 8. Marty Gordon is the new V.P., Altan Kartaltepe the Secretary-Treasurer and Tony Alston the Director at Large.

A rival club, or studio to be exact, has sprung up on the south side: The Chess Haus, 906 Avant (6 blks south of IH-10 east, Gevers exit.) Open weekday evenings (except Thusdays) 4 pm-midnight, 1pm-1am weekends. Info: Tony Alston, 532-4203.

• Bruce Baker is still accepting entries ($8.00) for 1987-88 TCA Postal Chess sections. Address: 4321 Pease, Houston, TX 77023. A $15 award is being offered for the most interesting game from recent TCA postal events. The winner of the 1984 finals was Ricky Pierce. The 1985 finals include Barry Endsley, J. C. Thompson, Greg Walton, Steven Lynn, Duncan Campbell, Walter Stapp and Peter Berzenskis.

TCA Financial Statement

1987	OPEN ACCOUNT	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	BALANCE
9/9	A USCF check	$1,681.06		
	TCA transfer checks	1,500.00		
	Memberships signed at SWO	298.00		$3,479.06
	($208/check, $90/cash)			
9/11	Memberships	28.00		
9/11	Altan H. Kartaltepe Assoc.		1,680.96	
	(computer purchase)			
9/23	Memberships	33.00		
9/24	Kyle Word (TK expense)		498.00	Sept.:1,361.10
10/2	TCA transfer check	94.30		
	(bal. from old acct.)			
10/9	Memberships	33.00		
	Cost of checks to open new acct.		12.48	
10/20	Altan H. Kartaltepe		10.00	
	(fuel--trip to Kerrville)			
10/21	Membership	8.00		
10/23	Memberships	38.00		
10/29	Altan H. Kartaltepe		43.17	Oct.:1,468.75
	(stamps, envelopes, printing)			
11/9	Albertson's		10.00	1,458.75
	(Post Office Dept. stamps)			
11/20	Membership	8.00		Nov.:1,466.75
12/18	Memberships	48.00		1,514.75
	Certificate of Deposit			1,832.62
	Total TCA worth at 1/1/88*			$3,347.37

--James Gallagher, Sr.

* Only an estimate, since Lee Gaskill has not forwarded all past TCA financial records.

Public Service Announcement:

The Neches River Festival, City of Beaumont, Leukema Society of America
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April 15th, 16th, and 17th

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SITE:
The Beaumont Hilton Hotel
2355 IH-10 South
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409-842-3600

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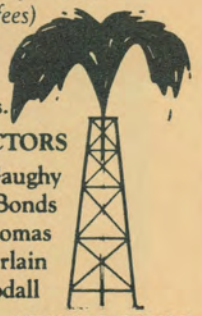

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Steve Welborn — Committee Chairman *Rhonda Brewer* — Secretary

We will be having a drawing for a $500 Chess Computer. To be eligible for the drawing you must be one of the first 300 pre-entries before 4/10/88.

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