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## ***Message from the President of the Ohio Chess Association***

OCA Members:

Let me begin by saying how good it was to see those of you who attended the Ohio Chess Congress over Labor Day weekend. And thank you Kelly Bloomfield for organizing a great event. Please check the previous page to see new Trustees that will be working together to move chess in Ohio forward.

As we move forward, I want to emphasize some things this coming year. First of all, I want us to build a chess community of inclusiveness. Everyone needs to feel that they are welcome in the OCA, and we need to work to ensure that chess is being carried to every corner of our state. Certain areas of our state are not well represented in both OCA membership and chess tournaments. If you live in part of the state that isn't active, and you feel forgotten, let us know and the OCA will try to help you get things going in your area. Or if you have the members, and feel that you could do a good job of organizing an OCA event, put in a bid.

Through this spirit of inclusiveness, I feel that we could achieve the growth which we would all like to see. In the past couple of years we have seen growth in the number of events held in Ohio. We now have a weekend swiss tournament every month of the year. Some months even have TWO! It seems like not that long ago that we had only 3 or 4 swiss style tournaments a year. We also have seen new types of events spring up such as chess at the Arnold Fitness Kids Expo and the Dayton Chess Festival. Both of these events received good media coverage and have the potential to reach beyond our current membership. Growing our membership, growing our clubs, and growing our events means growing pains as well. Schedules will be tight. But if we keep our focus on chess, and not on personal agendas, we will see good things come to pass.

Finally, while we are making our organization more inclusive, and growing, we need to remember our heritage. I am very happy that we have a mix of new and old on our board of trustees. We need to remember where we have come from while we move forward to what we could become. It is great to hear about the heritage of the OCA and what things were like during the "Fischer Boom" because it shows us we have A LOT of work to do to return to those "glory years". But I believe we can do it.

Inclusiveness. Growth. Heritage. These three words are the key to the OCA becoming the organization I believe it could and SHOULD be. If we are truly here to promote chess in Ohio, we need to make sure everyone is given the opportunity to participate, grow our membership/club numbers, and remember who we are and where we came from.

I look forward to serving you for a third year as OCA president. I'll try to tone down my little speeches at the tournaments I attend, but in exchange I need to hear from you. You can reach me via e-mail, phone, Facebook, or pull me aside at a tournament. I am ready to listen.

Serving the OCA,

*Evan Shelton, President*

## Editor's Note/Correction

This issue is about a month behind the normal production schedule, so it carries a little bit about the Congress, which just concluded. The list of officers needs no update, but the list of trustees does. This issue also carries the Ohio Grand Prix standings. The donations made to this member benefit resulted in a substantial prize fund without detriment to the OCA financial status.

Be sure to review the current draft of proposed changes to the Code and By-Laws that describe a realignment of OCA districts and a new OCA Trustee setup. This is the first time since 1965 that the alignment of the state into districts and the makeup of the trustees has been addressed. See the summary of the situation in 1965 in the article "Digging Around in OCA Roots."

Roger Blaine conducted a lot of digging during his years as an OCA officer, and will likely be happy to know that a gap in his listing of cities hosting the OCA Congress has been resolved. A report to the West Virginia Chess Association made by S. S. Keeney, the tournament director, indicates that the very first event was held in Cleveland over the Labor Day weekend in 1945. The venue was not specified. "Sime," as he was known to associates, was one of the first trustees, and was elected OCA President in 1951. He edited four issues of the Ohio Chess Bulletin (December 1950, April 1951, August 1951, and November 1951),

James Schroeder chided me for the error in round count for the 1950 Ohio Championship. He would know, as he won the event with a score of 5.5. He provided a photocopy of his scoresheets for wins against Jackson and Nasvytis. It would be nice to have the scoresheets for his wins against Roberts, and Loening, as well as his draw with Granger. His win over Ellison appeared in Chess Life (March 20, 1951). Nasvytis placed second, Granger placed fourth, and Ellison (1947 Ohio Champion) finished sixth in the tournament.

## 2014/2015 Ohio Grand Prix Final Standings

Grand Prix prizes were awarded at the Annual Membership Meeting held Sunday, September 6, 2015 in conjunction with the Ohio Chess Congress. The Grand Prize of \$800 and a trophy went to Blake Baumgartner of Mason, Ohio. Class prizes of \$25 plus a trophy were awarded to Jason Wang (Expert), Nolan Song (A), Yutong Cao (B), Christian Bechtold (C), Steve Phillips (D), and James Brickey (E). The Grand Prize was fully funded by donations from several OCA members! Here are the top five standings for all categories.

### Grand Prize (Open Section) Standings

Name	Class	Grand Prix	Tie-Break
		Points	Points
Baumgartner, Blake	Expert	18	47.5
Keating-Adams, Noah	Master	15	41
Sedlar, William	Master	12	35
Wang, Jason	Expert	12	23
Barnakov, Yuri	Master	11	32

### Class Prize Standings

Class	Name	Grand Prix	Tie-Breaker
		Points	Points
Expert	Wang, Jason	14	29
Expert	Baker, Vincent	9	18.5
Expert	Xie, Luke	8	24.5
Expert	Miller, John	7	16
Expert	Shen, Christopher	6	17
A	Song, Nolan	13	25.5
A	Suganraj, Brian	11	20.5
A	Ghosh, Shourjya	7	18
A	Prasad, Arvind	7	16
A	Gittrich, Dennis	6	15.5
B	Cao, Yutong	15	35.5
B	Guehl, David	11	27
B	Cunningham, Daniel	10	24
B	Kalyanakumar, Ashwin	10	20.5
B	Huang, Evan	8	22
C	Bechtold, Christian	18	37.5
C	Franklin, William	16	35.5
C	Fang, Ethan	12	26.5
C	Ren, Kevin	9	23
C	Cheng, Emma	9	22
D	Phillips, Steve	15	31
D	Raghukanth, Udbhav	7	12.5
D	Schmidt, Richard	7	11
D	Xu, Grace	6	14
D	Aiyer, Ishan	6	11.5
E	Brickey, James	7	14.5
E	Mu, Grant	7	13.5
E	Sullivan, Daniel	7	11
E	Bojja, Dinesh	6	10.5
E	Houser, Thomas	6	9.5

Nicely done, all!



## MOTCF Addendum

When the MOTCF report for 2015 was filed it contained a few grievous errors resulting from how SwissSys 8.0 reports team results.

I reported two teams tied for the U1800 and one of them also won the U1600 prize so the prizes were combined and as the U1600 winner - CCLIAN Defense - would win more as they should for their performance and the prize money was spilt.

One problem though: CCLIAN Defense was not U1600 as you can see below when only the top four ratings are averaged which is what is supposed to happen.

<b>CCLIAN Defense</b>		<b>1619.8</b>	<b>L3</b>	<b>D22</b>	<b>L19</b>	<b>W20</b>	<b>W21</b>	<b>2.5</b>
Elton	Cao	1704	W11	---	D81	L86	W90	2.5
Nolan	Xuhui Song	1693	L12	D94	D82	W87	---	2.0
Taraganesh	R Yeluguri	1625	---	D95	L83	W88	D91	2.0
Dakshin	Pisini	1457	L13	L96	L84	---	D92	0.5
Ethan	Fang	1441	L14	W97	---	W89	W93	3.0

However, I did not consider this at the time prizes were awarded (checks were cut). Instead thought it an anomaly as often happens in a tournament when the prior rating is lower than the rating after the event. Nonetheless, something bugged me because these were the ratings used in the tournament. Still, in the rush to get the report done and the event rated I forgot about it.

Then there was the email from Larry Edington. Larry wanted to know why his team "Marion For Love" (love that name) and "Carpe Rex" did not win the U1600. As I looked at the team crosstable (in the prior OCB) I wondered as well and started digging.

Using SwissSys 8.0 it was discovered if you ask for "Team Standings" it provides just that with the team names and the ratings for each team without a team roster. Oddly enough though, when we did that the CCLIAN Defense had a rating of 1584 which is clearly U1600! How did that happen?

It was determined, when giving team standings, SwissSys was averaging all the members of the team instead of only the top four as it did when pairing. So when this was discovered the U1600 prize was divided between the two best teams U1600 - Marion for Love and Carpe Rex! Congratulations!!

<b>Marion for Love</b>		<b>1508</b>	<b>L5</b>	<b>L13</b>	<b>W24</b>	<b>L16</b>	<b>W23</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Dana	Sutton	1613	L21	D54	W102	L68	W98	2.5
Larry	Edington	1599	L22	L55	W103	L69	D99	1.5
Earl	R Carruthers	1450	L23	L56	L104	D70	L100	0.5
Bill	Adams	1370	L24	D57	W105	L71	W101	2.5
Carpe Rex	1488.8	L15	W20	W14	L6	L13	2.0	
Shawn	M. Irish	1734	L63	W86	D58	---	---	1.5
Justin	Thomas Storn	1655	L64	W87	D59	D25	L54	2.0
Isaac	Daniel Partee	1631	D65	W88	W60	L26	D55	3.0
Kevin	Storn	935	L67	L89	W61	L27	L56	1.0
Paul	Poston	621	---	---	---	L28	F57	1.0

Thank you once again Larry Edington!

## Tournament News in Brief

**OCA District 1.** Three events were hosted in Toledo by the Greater Toledo Area Chess Club in the monthly four-round Swiss series established by James Jagodzinski.

Toledo April Swiss (April 11, 2015). The Open section had 23 players. Ryan Clayton posted 4 wins to capture first place; Rohan Talkudar scored 3.5 for second, and John Bidwell and Mathew Leach scored 3.0 to tie for third. Remaining scorers were as follows. Kevin Noren, Manis Davidovich, Manmohan Das, Jeffrey Schmoldt: 2.5; Tom A Manion, Justin Meek, John Larry Hibbler, Justin Sun Liang, Henry Hanzhi Zhang, Ayush Das: 2.0; Adam Gaisinsky, Aiden Song, James F Jagodzinski, 1.5; Joey Orozco, Gary Swathell, Michael Schwind, Jeannie Zhang: 1.0; Briant Hamor Lee: 0.0. The U1600 section had 13 players. Michael David Coon scored three wins and a draw to win first prize; Eric Wright scored 3.0 to win second, and Paul G Chamberlin, C Fred Schwan, and Ken Miller scored 2.5 in a tie for third. Remaining scores were as follows: Alan Bui, James Kleshinski: 2.0; Howard Ted Whalen Jr, Steven Fu: 1.5; John B Smaltz, Ryan D Mininger: 1.0; James F Jagodzinski: 0.5; Jacob Gaisinsky: 0.0.

Toledo May Swiss (May 9, 2015). The Open section had 17 players. John C Bidwell posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place; Ryan Daniel Clayton scored 3.0 for second, and Kevin Noren, Justin Meek, Henry Hanzhi Zhang, and Akash L Narayanan scored 2.5 to tie for third. Remaining scorers were as follows. Manmohan Das, Morgan Everett, Jeremy L Conn: 2.0; Adam Gaisinsky, Ayush Das, Robert A Florian: 1.5; Anish Anand Nyayachavadi, James F Jagodzinski, Jeannie Zhang: 1.0; Gary Swathell: 0.5; Ellis Blair: 0.0. The U1600 section had 23 players. Jalen Alexander Woods scored four wins to capture first prize. Paul G Chamberlin and Charisse Janice Woods scored 3.5 in a tie for second. Remaining scores were as follows: Joe Kanous: 3.0; John B Smaltz: 2.5; Briant Hamor Lee, C Fred Schwan, Rodney Blackman, Ryan D Mininger, Steven Fu: 2.0; Michael

David Coon, James F Jagodzinski, Howard Ted Whalen Jr, Alan Bui, Michael Lin: 1.5; Charles Mlcek, James Kleshinski, Justin Song, Jacob Gaisinsky: 1.0; Kevin T Chou: 0.5; Jadie T Woods, Ketan Tamirisa, Aiden Clark Smith: 0.0.

Toledo June Swiss (June 13, 2015). The Open section had 25 players. Ryan Daniel Clayton, Rohan Talukdar, and Manmohan Das scored 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows: John C Bidwell, Justin Meek, John Larry Hibbler: 3.0; Jeremy L Conn, Robert A Florian: 2.5; Morgan Everett, Kash L Narayanan, Soureesh Moturi, Nathan J Ouyang, David Morris, Jeannie Zhang: 2.0; Henry Hanzhi Zhang, William Franklin, Dakshesh Daruri, Purna Moturi: 1.5; Jeffrey Schmoldt, Ayush Das: 1.0; Loren Schwiebert, Adam Gaisinsky, Dinh Dang Bui: 0.5; Jack Li, Aathmanathan Muruganathan: 0.0.

**OCA District 2.** Chess players in this district have several options for competitive play.

Two events were hosted in Beachwood by the Chess Center operated by Michael Joelson.

Sundays April 2015 (April 26, 2015). The Advanced section had 11 players. Antoine Rucker scored 2 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Clinton Cherry Jr, Sean Tan: 1.5; Vijay Chiranjeevi Sastry, Neel Mehta, Young Kim, Bernie Joelson, Jacob Michael Andreini: 1.0; Dae San Kim, Malcolm Golias, Tharoon Balaji: 0.0. The U 1000 section had 12 players. Gabriel Shapiro scored three wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Rahul Jagetia, Max Zukerman, Chris Blakemore: 2.0; Tommy Soltanian, Alexander Khoretonenko, Gavin Post: 1.0; Shashank Raguraj, Alexander Rowley: 0.5; Michael Keselman, Kyle Leibovitch, Drhuv Sreth: 0.0. The U 500 section had 23 players. Andrew Farrell scored two wins and a draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Fareeda Naduvil, Manan Raina,

Patricia Tan, Landis Teren: 2.0; Srujan Jaladi: 1.5; Chris Blakemore, Patrick Woo, Michael Keselman, Veda Palomo, Sriram Kolli, Abhi Raj Ashwath, Faris Firoz, Emir Naduvil, Stephen Blakemore: 1.0; Kabir Gulati, Ambuj Bansal: 0.5; Jesse Hart, Boris Khoretonenko, Alexandra Andreias, Ahmed Mohamed, Brian Kim, Maya Tang: 0.0. An Extras section had 10 players. The scores were as follows. Peter Carl Andreas, Dae San Kim, Gabriel Shapiro, Max Zukerman: 1.0; Max Zukerman, Michael Keselman: 0.5; Neel Mehta, Bernie Joelson, Jesse Hart, Brian Kim: 0.0.

Sunday Beachwood May (June 14, 2015). The Advanced section had 12 players. Dae San Kim posted four 4 and 1 loss to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Neel Mehta, Vijay Chiranjeevi Sastry: 2.0; Ralph Tan, Clinton Cherry Jr, Young Kim, Sean Tan, Bernie Joelson, Jacob Michael Andreini, Tharoon Balaji: 1.0; Jeff Hitchcock, Malcolm Golias: 0.0. The Under 1000 section had 13 players. Chris Blakemore posted 4 wins to capture first place. Michael Keselman scored 3 wins for second and Max Zukerman scored 2.5 for third. Remaining scores were as follows. Rahul Jagetia, Gabriel Shapiro, Tommy Soltanian, Wesley Lai, Alexander Khoretonenko, Srujan Jaladi, Sriram Kolli, Alexander Rowley: 1.0; Kyle Leibovitch, Drhuv Sreth: 0.0. The Under 500 section had 22 players. Alexandra Andreias posted four wins and one loss to capture first place. Emir Naduvil scored three wins and one loss for second. Remaining scores were as follows. Manan Raina, Brian Kim, Maya Tang: 2.5, Veda Palomo, Patrick Woo, Andrew Farrell, Faris Firoz: 2.0; Patricia Tan, Stephen Blakemore: 1.5; Sriram Kolli, Boris Khoretonenko, Fareeda Naduvil, Abhi Raj Ashwath, Kabir Gulati: 1.0; Drhuv Sreth, Jason Xi: 0.5; Ahmed Mohamed, Jesse Hart, Landis Teren: 0.0. The Extra Games section had 13 players. Manan Raina posted two wins. Remaining scores were as follows. Sean Tan, Tharoon Balaji, Alexander Rowley, Andrew Farrell, Jesse Hart: 1.0; Jacob Michael Andreini,

Gabriel Shapiro, Patrick Woo, Boris Khoretonenko, Faris Firoz, Brian Kim, Landis Teren: 0.0.

One event was held in Cleveland, hosted by the Case Western Reserve Chess Club and directed by Roman Kowalysko. Time Control: G/5; d0.

End of Semester Blitz Madness (April 23, 2015). Section 1 had 5 rounds and 6 players. Gabriel Ewing and Calvin Marshall scored 4 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Roman Kowalysko: 3.0; Alex Shimek: 2.0; Charles Li: 1.0; Guy Oden: 0.0. Section 2 had 6 rounds and 7 players. Roman Kowalysko posted five win and no losses to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Kenneth Oswald Dennard III: 3.0; Daniel Hayosh: 2.0; Alex Shimek, Charles Li: 1.0; Gabriel Ewing, Guy Oden: 0.0.

Two events were held in Mayfield Village, summarized below.

Vivacity (April 19, 2015) was hosted by the Case Western Reserve Chess Club and directed by Roman Kowalysko. Time Control: G/30; d5. Neel Mehta posted 3 wins and 1 loss; Samia Menon posted 2 wins and 1 loss, and Pranav Jayakumar posted 2 losses.

Q-Chess May (May 31, 2015) was hosted by the Case Western Reserve Chess Club and directed by Roman Kowalysko. Time Control: G/30; d5. Neel Mehta posted 2 wins; Samia Menon posted 1 win and 1 loss, and Pranav Jayakumar posted 2 losses.

Parma was the site for 13 tournaments, hosted by the Parma Chess Club, the most active USCF Affiliate in OCA District 2. The organizer is William B. Wright.

Parma Open (April 11, 2015) had 4 rounds in 5 sections. Time Control: G/45; d5. The Open section had 9 players. Tim Clos posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Kristopher C Meekins scored 3.0 for second and Pappu Murthy scored 2.5 for third. Remaining scores were as follows.

William B Wright, Benjamin W Weaver, John Everett Roush: 2.0; Dan J Mayo: 1.5; Jeremy Hunter Metrik, Zhaosu Ye: 1.0. The U2000 section had 19 players. Jonas M Reed Jr and Patrick Leland Beatrez each posted three wins and one draw (with each other) to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Richard Gedeon, Kenneth Oswald Dennard III, Ricky Wheeler, Daniel Bogert: 3.0; Alexandru Serban Georgescu, Jim Nicks, Robert Eugene Miller III, Gregory S Juneja, Darrington Gladman, E A Allen: 2.0; Ellis Blair, Mark D Seaton: 1.5; Anthony Bee, Jerry Smith Sr, Daniel P Gallagher: 1.0; Raymond George Dunsworth: 0.5; Patrick Saccogna :0.0. The U1600 section had 14 players. Cody Yang posted four wins to capture first place. Dennis Allen, Edward James Sayers, and Christopher Patrick Dunsworth each scored three wins and one loss to tie for second place. Remaining scores were as follows. Christopher Lutz, Vince Vanhecke, Donald Hake, Bayethe Rowell, Scott Blackwood, Dae San Kim: 2.0; Joseph M Erjavec Jr: 1.5; Clarence Dent Jr, James Paul Varrone: 1.0; Stephen L Gallant: 0.0. The U1200 section had 8 players. Alicia Harper posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Peter M Hamder: 2.5; Lisa Krysh, Jacob Michael Andreini, Dr Brian Harper, Paul J Buccino: 2.0; Debra Brosky: 1.5; Timothy Robert Jones: 1.0. An EXTRA section was opened for two players. Dae San Kim posted one win and Timothy Robert Jones.

Parma Quick Chess (June 30, 2015) had 7 rounds in 2 sections, 9 rounds in 1 section. Time Control: G/10; d0. Section 1 had 8 players. Pappu Murthy posted 6 wins and 1 loss to capture first place. Bobby Steen posted 5 wins, 1 loss and 1 draw for second, and Tim Clos posted 4 wins, 2 losses, and a forfeit win for third. Remaining scores were as follows. Jeremy Hunter Metrik: 4.5; James L Harkins Jr, Damon Rucker: 3.0; Johnny P Hall III: 1.0; Kujtim Meta: 0.0. Section 2 had 10 players. Gregory S Juneja posted 9 wins to capture first place. Tom C Eckert posted 6 wins and 2 losses, and 1 draw for second, and David Wayne Bumba posted 6 wins and

3 losses for third. Remaining scores were as follows. Dae San Kim: 5.0; William E Nettgen, Peter A Selenoi, Vincent Chen: 4.0; Jim Nicks: 3.5; Antoine Thornton: 2.0; Vishal Senthilkumar: 1.0. Section 3 had 7 players. James Paul Varrone posted 5 wins and 1 loss to capture first. Victor Nasvytis and George Liszniansky each scored 4 wins and 2 losses to tie for second. Remaining scores were as follows. Lisa Krysh: 4.0; Immanuel Halm: 2.0; Paul Brunovsky, Liam Resnick: 1.0.

Weekly tournaments held by the Parma Chess Clubs are quads with a time control of G/30; d5. They drew from 18 to 30 players on a given night in this reporting period. Space and time restrictions preclude listing the results in detail.

Four activities were hosted in Solon, summarized below.

April Melter (April 4, 2015), organized by Joe Yun, had 4 rounds in 5 sections. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Open section had 21 players. Kristopher C Meekins and William B Wright each posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Benjamin W Weaver, Boyd M Reed, Aristo S Liu: 3.0; Joel Jaffe: 2.5; Pappu Murthy, Annorjan Naguleswaran, Jose Abutal, Connor Keuchel, Jonas M Reed Jr, Joshua Patrick Reinarts, Jasen Lai: 2.0; Tim Clos, Calvin Marshall, Brennen Keuchel: 1.5; Mark Parvin, Jim Nicks, Destynn Keuchel: 1.0; Peter Carl Andreas, Darrington Gladman: 0.0. The U-1800 section had 16 players. Patrick Leland Beatrez posted 4 wins to capture first place. Ralph Tan scored 3 wins and 1 draw for second. Ricky Wheeler, Jordan Singer, Dae San Kim: 2.5; Jeffrey Schmoldt, Gregory S Juneja, Antoine Rucker, Cody Yang, Patrick Saccogna, Vincent Chen: 2.0; Vijay Chiranjeevi Sastry, Jasmine Ruth Tustin: 1.5; C Fred Schwan, Young Kim: 1.0; Ethan Force: 0.0. The U-1400 section had 18 players. Vishal Senthilkumar posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Dale R Turner, Sean Tan, and James Zhou each scored 3.0 to tie for second. Remaining scores were as follows. Dominic James Mayhew, Karthik O'neil, Easton Singer,

2.5; Eric Singer, Alicia Harper, Derek Li: 2.0; Jacob Michael Andreini, Ajay Subramanian: 1.5; Ethan Force, Bomani Esteven, Poon-Soto, Anna Ault: 1.0; Liam Resnick, Arjun Grandhe, Patricia Tan: 0.0. The U-1000 section had 17 players. Eric P An posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Edison Liu, Tharoon Balaji, Dr Brian Harper: 3.0; Rohan Padhye: 2.5; Max Zukerman, Wesley Lai, Carter Beckley, Liam Resnick, Dhruv Grandhe, Kyle Leibovitch: 2.0; Patrick J Azouri: 1.5; Shashank Raguraj, Richard P Berry, Arjun Grandhe, Patricia Tan: 1.0.

Solon Tournament (May 2, 2015), hosted by Delta Alpha Lambda Chapter and directed by David Bills, had 2 sections with 5 rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. Section 6-12 Rated had 20 players. Alan Liu posted 5 wins to capture first place. Joel Jaffe scored 4.0 for second. Remaining scores were as follows. Ian Golias, Destynn Keuchel, Neel Mehta: 3.5; Jasen Lai, Zachary Barto: 3.0; James Zhou, Roger Poduska, Colin Rizer, Malcolm Golias, Steven Zhou: 2.5; David Lauinger, Alexander Barto, Tharoon Balaji, Aj Peretto: 2.0; Kavi Warrior, Nathan Chan, Franchessa Fallucco, Jaelon Tavares Sanders: 1.0. The K-5 Rated section had 8 players. Alicia Harper posted 5 wins to capture first place; James Howell posted 4 wins and 1 loss for second. Remaining scores were as follows. Wesley Lai, Henry Poduska: 3.0; Kyle Leibovitch, Walter Poduska: 2.0; Ethan Feldman: 1.0; Kiran Warrior: 0.0.

May Mayhem (May 9, 2015), directed by Michael Joelson, had 4 sections with four rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Open section had 16 players. Kristopher C Meekins posted 2 wins and 2 draws, Pappu Murthy posted 3 wins and 1 loss, and Bobby Steen posted 3 wins and 1 loss to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. William B Wright, Benjamin W Weaver, Gabriel Ewing: 2.5; Kent Lui, Roman Kowalysko, Alan Liu, Mark Parvin, Robert J Dunn III, Jasen Lai: 2.0; Calvin Marshall: 1.5; Jonas M Reed Jr, Reid Fu: 1.0; Clay Wrocklage: 0.0. The U-1800 had 14 players. Ricky Wheeler,

Ian Golias, and Ralph Tan each posted 2 wins and 2 draws while Edward James Sayers posted 3 wins and 1 loss to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Darrington Gladman, Dominic James Mayhew: 2.5; Andrew Fu, Butch Kless: 2.0; Leo Izen, Vincent Chen, Dae San Kim: 1.5; Gregory S Juneja, Jasmine Ruth Tustin: 1.0; Brett Dale: 0.5. The U-1400 section had 10 players. Sean Tan and Christopher Hill both posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. David Lauinger, Malcolm Golias, Jacob Michael Andreini, Ajay Subramanian, Anna Ault: 2.0; Tharoon Balaji: 1.5; Jesse Tolkien Tustin: 1.0; Roger Poduska: 0.5. The U-1000 section had 18 players. Vijay Subramanian posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Jesse Wu, Jennifer Lui, Ethan Force, Malen Cuturic: 3.0; Rohit Chejarla, Michael Keselman: 2.5; Max Zukerman, Christian Thornton, Kyle Leibovitch, Brycen Perez, Patricia Tan, Gregory Joseph Wenner: 2.0; Henry Poduska, Anand Singh, Walter Poduska: 1.0; David Martin Kosier: 0.5; Madeline Martin Kosier: 0.0.

Solon Summer Starter (June 13, 2015), directed by Joseph E Yun and James Paul Varrone, had four sections with four rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Open section had 21 players. Pappu Murthy and Jonny Botek each posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. William B Wright, Ricky Wheeler: 3.0; Tim Clos, Aristo S Liu, Calvin Marshall: 2.5; Connor Keuchel, Roman Kowalysko, Sri Rahm, Patrick Leland Beatrez, Robert J Dunn III, Brennen Keuchel: 2.0; Bobby Steen, Trey Modlin, Shourjya Ghosh: 1.5; Jonas M Reed Jr, Jasen Lai, Ian Golias, Destynn Keuchel: 1.0; Donald Hake: 0.0. The U-1800 section had 18 players. Michael Swearingin posted 4 wins to capture first place. In a tie for second place, Darrington Gladman and Vincent Chen scored 2 wins and 2 draws, while Neel Mehta scored three wins and 1 loss. Remaining scores were as follows. Edward James Sayers, Hansen Song: 2.5; Ralph Tan, Butch Kless, Chris A Coutts, Leo Izen, Vishal Senthilkumar,

Alicia Harper: 2.0; Eric D King, Nikita Shklyakov: 1.5; Dae San Kim, Donald Hake, Christopher Hill: 1.0; Brendan T Lyons: 0.0. The U-1400 section had 5 players. Sean Tan posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Peter M Hamder: 2.5; Eric P An, Edison Liu: 2.0; Abhay Kumar Adury: 1.0. The U-1000 section had 17 players. Dr Brian Harper posted 4 wins to capture first place. Bomani Esteven Poon-Soto, Aaron Bachman, Max Zukerman, Caleb Sun: 3.0; Rohan Padhye, Gavin Post: 2.5; Samuel Cohen, Ethan Force, Haoqi Zhang, Michael Keselman, Tamer Sleik, Patricia Tan: 2.0; Neal Pannala, Anant Adury, James Tangen: 1.0; Adithya Kalyanam: 0.0.

#### **No activity was recorded for OCA District 3 and OCA District 4.**

**OCA District 5.** Five events in this district were rated: three in Akron, one in Alliance, and one in Stow, summarized below.

Akron Chess Club April Tournament (April 18, 2015), directed by Joseph E Yun, had two sections with four rounds and an extra rated games section. Time Control: G/45; d5. The Open section had 18 players. Benjamin W Weaver posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. William B Wright, Aristo S Liu, Md Mahfujul Haque Khan, Jose Abutal: 3.0; Pappu Murthy, Bobby Steen, Edward Cooper, Beilin Li, Mark Parvin, Alan Liu, Lawrence Gay: 2.0; Kristopher C Meekins, Jonas M Reed Jr: 1.5; Joe Sanders, Clay Wrocklage: 1.0; Tim Clos, Ian Golias: 0.0. The Reserve section had 14 players. Jim Nicks posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Eric D King, Andrew Fu, Tianbo Liu, Ethan Wang: 2.5; Gregory S Juneja, Mike Borton, Enoch Wang, John Madigan, Charles R Landry: 2.0; Brett Dale, John Snopko: 1.5; Anna Ault: 1.0; Richard P Berry: 0.0. The Extra Rated section had 2 players. Mark Parvin won one game against Lawrence Gay.

Akron Chess Club April Tournament (May 23, 2015), directed by Joseph E



Yun, had three sections with four rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Open section had 17 players. Benjamin W Weaver posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. William B Wright, Michael Joelson: 3.0; Kristopher C Meekins, Pappu Murthy, Bobby Steen, Jose Abutal: 2.5; Edward Cooper, Alan Liu: 2.0; Md Mahfujul Haque Khan, Joshua Patrick Reinarts, Jonas M Reed Jr, Brennen Keuchel: 1.5; Aristo S Liu, Reid Fu: 1.0; Lawrence Gay, Marcus Dewayne Brandon: 0.0. The Premier section had 16 players. Xavier Nicolo Paganini posted four wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Clay Wrocklage, Destynn Keuchel, Patrick Saccogna, Andrew Fu, Keith A Murrey, Santosh Kanakkanatt: 2.5; Jasen Lai, Brett Dale, Enoch Wang: 2.0; Eric D King: 1.5; Gregory S Juneja, Vincent Chen: 1.0; Ethan Wang, John Snopko: 0.5. The Reserve section had 9 players. Benjamin Becker Batton posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Andrew Cook, Wesley Lai: 3.0; Kamal Sami Elsayed, Anna Ault, Mohamed Sami Elsayed, Tamer Sleik: 2.0; Jacob Whitehouse, Ahmed Sami Elsayed: 1.0.

Akron Chess Club June Tournament (June 27, 2015), directed by Joseph E Yun, had three sections with four rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Open section had 21 players. Pappu Murthy posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Benjamin W Weaver, Michael Joelson, Annorjan Naguleswaran, Calvin Marshall: 3.0; Zane Eisen, Connor Keuchel: 2.5; Md Mahfujul Haque Khan, Alan Liu, Jonas M Reed Jr, Reid Fu, Brennen Keuchel, Xavier Nicolo Paganini: 2.0; Kristopher C Meekins, Wuyanbu Zutali: 1.5; Peter Muresan, Joshua Patrick Reinarts, Joseph E Bello Sr, Ian Golias: 1.0; Jim Nicks: 0.5; Jasen Lai: 0.0. The Premier section had 20 players. Brett Dale posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Ralph Tan, Destynn Keuchel, Hansen Song, Dae San Kim: 3.0; Gregory S Juneja, Andrew Fu: 2.5; Vincent Chen, Leo Izen, James Paul Varrone, Sean Tan, Jimmy Zhu: 2.0; Srinivasa Rao Annamreddi, Karthik

O'neil: 1.5; Young Kim, Chaitanya Annamreddi, Dr Brian Harper, Zade Akas: 1.0; Alicia Harper, Charles R Landry: 0.0. The Reserve section had 5 players in 5 rounds of competition. Zade Akas posted 4 wins and a bye point to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Wesley Lai, Tamer Sleik: 3.0; Sriram Kolli, Adithya Kalyanam: 2.0.

The Canton Scholastic Chess League Championship (May 16, 2015) had four sections directed by David Bills with assistance from Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar, and Kalanithi Bagley. Time Control: G/30; d5. The High School Championship section had 15 players and was won by Anton Glocar scoring 3 wins, 1 draw. The Middle School Championship section had 25 players and was won by Ethan Wang scoring 4 wins. The Elementary School Championship section had 23 players and was won by Destynn Keuchel scoring 4 wins. The Reserve section had 27 players and was won by John Tasseff scoring 4 wins.

The Ohio Elementary Championship (May 16, 2015) was held in Stow, directed by Joseph E Yun with assistance from David Bills, Kalanithi Bagley, Donald Glocar. Three sections drew 109 players competing in 5 rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Elementary Championship had 46 players, with Vincent Jingwei Baker posting 5 wins to capture first place. The Elementary Reserve U-700 section had 35 players, with Jeremy Mahoney posting 5 wins to capture first. The K-3 Primary Championship had 28 players, with Sean Tan posting 4 wins and 1 draw.

**OCA District 6.** The Dayton Chess Club, operated by Riley and Sharon Driver, is the center of activity in this OCA district, with a wide variety of rated events. Highlights of the 14 events rated in this period are given below.

#13 Unlucky Quick (April 3, 2015) was directed by Michael Schauer. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event had 14 players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov scored 3.5 to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows.

John M Miller, Yutong Cao, William Franklin: 3.0; Aaron Dean: 2.5; Christian Bechtold, Michael Kelley, Jack A Gilson: 2.0; Daniel Allan Crone, Joshua M Bartler: 1.5; Loren Rodgers, Steven James Anderson, Ben Wettle, Caleb Micah Newland: 1.0.

#14 Friday Quick (April 10, 2015) was directed by Michael Schauer. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event had 9 players. Phillip Grafton Shepard posted 3 wins and 1 loss, Christian Bechtold posted 2 wins and 2 draws, and Michael Simons posted 3 wins and 1 loss in a tie for first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Jeffrey W Baugham, Steven James Anderson: 2.5; Shawn Michael Irish, Dale Bolender: 2.0; Daniel Allan Crone, Caleb Micah Newland: 1.0.

Diamonds Forever Pawn Storm XXX (April 11, 2015) was directed by Michael Schauer. Time Control: G/60; d10. The 4-round event had three sections. The Open section had 13 players. Ronald Burnett posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov, David M Friedman: 3.0; Carl Boor: 2.5; John M Miller, Noah Keating-Adams, Annorjan Naguleswaran, Blake K Baumgartner, Alexander Ian Cretsos, 2.0; William Sedlar, David Guehl, Michael Simons: 1.0; Brian D Benson: 0.0. The U1900 section had 13 players. William Franklin posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Leonard J Timko: 3.0; Kevin Ren, JW Holes: 2.5; Christian Bechtold, Steve A Phillips, Zachary Mikhail, Grant Mu: 2.0; Ben Wettle, Nathan Runda: 1.5; Robert Challan: 1.0; Daniel Albert Sullivan: 0.5; Michael Kelley: 0.0. In the Cross Pairing section, Noah Keating-Adams and David Guehl scored 1.0; Grant Mu and Nathan Runda scored 0.0.

#15 Spring Fever Quick (April 17, 2015) was directed by Shawn Michael Irish. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 9 players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Jordan Henderson: 3.0; Alexander Ian

Cretsos, Ben Wettle, Anthony Francis: 2.0; Steven James Anderson: 1.5; Riley Daniel Driver, Dale Bolender: 1.0; Jack A Gilson: 0.0.

57th DCC Championship (April 14 to May 2, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver and Michael Schauer. Time Control: 40/120, SD/60; d5. This 6-round event drew 16 players. David M Friedman scored 6 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Yutong Cao: 4.0; John M Miller, Les Paul Whorton Jr, Bruce Hall Bryant Jr, Christian Bechtold: 3.5; William Franklin, Ethan Fang, Elina Vilenchuk: 3.0; John Dowling, David Guehl: 2.5; Boris Vilenchuk, Daniel Albert Sullivan: 2.0; Michael Kelley, Bruce Hill, Jack A Gilson: 1.0. In the Extra Rated Games section, Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov defeated Jack A Gilson in the one game played.

#16-Wicked-Comes To DCC (May 8, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 10 players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Noah Keating-Adams: 3.5; John M Miller: 3.0; Antonio Ulloa, Daniel Paul Cunningham, Shawn Michael Irish: 2.0; Christian Bechtold, G Thomas Bloom: 1.5; William Franklin: 1.0; Jackson Paul Pelfrey: 0.0.

#17 World A-Fair Quick (May 15, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 14 players. Caleb D Jaquish posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Vladimir Tkatchouk, Andrew J Pheasant: 3.0; Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov, David M Friedman, Loren Rodgers: 2.5; Christian Bechtold, Shawn Michael Irish, Brennan T Price: 2.0; Daniel Allan Crone: 1.5; Julie Elizabeth Herring, Jack A Gilson, Kevin Monroe: 1.0; Caleb Micah Newland: 0.0.

#18 War of Roses Quick (May 22, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 9 players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov posted 4 wins to capture first

place. Remaining scores are as follows. Yutong Cao: 2.5; Christian Bechtold, David Guehl, Jack A Gilson: 2.0; Robert Chenault: 1.5; Raymond Gifford, Loren Rodgers: 1.0; William Franklin: 0.0.

57th Gem City Open (May 29 to May 31, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver, with assistance from Michael Schauer. Time Control: 40/90, SD/60; d5. The 5-round event had four sections. The Open section had 40 players. Goran Vojinovic posted 4 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Ronald Burnett, Carl Boor, Pratik Shriwas: 4.0; Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov, James A Mills, Noah Keating-Adams, Jason Yuyang Wang: 3.5; Hans Multhopp, Luke Bohua Xie, Blake K Baumgartner, Annorjan Naguleswaran, John Dowling, Leo J Zamansky, Steve E Charles, Gregg Stark, Nolan Xuhui Song: 3.0; John C Bidwell, Steffen Thieme, Alexander Ian Cretsos, Arvind Sai Prasad, Yutong Cao: 2.5; Stephen L Wygle, John M Miller, Jordan Henderson, Caleb D Jaquish, Aswath Bommannan, David E Demetruk, Xavier Nicolo Paganini, Daniel Paul Cunningham, Ashwin Kalyanakumar, Om Borkar: 2.0; Duane E Larkin, Vito Carla, Dennis J Gittrich, Brian Sujanraj: 1.5; Richard Mercer: 1.0; Yogeshwar Sridhar Yehamandram: 0.5; Gregg Stark, Dave Rutherford: 0.0.

The Premier Section drew 39 players. Joseph Warren Kleban posted 4 wins and a half point bye to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Jeffrey Stuart Davis, Brad Hoehne, Isaac Daniel Partee, David B Rief: 4.0; Antonio Ulloa, David Guehl, Evan Y Huang, Eric Gittric: 3.5; James T Lake, Adith Joshua George, Christian Bechtold, Evan E Shelton, Samuel Alexander Ammerman: 3.0; William Franklin, Kiran Boyinepally, Dakshin Pisini, Aryan Balyan, Robert Challan, Steve Kolas, Brian Lee Morris, Rahul Ponugoti, Kalpak Duddella, Akul Rajan, Grace D Xu: 2.5; Lou Friscoe, Laine Massick, Richard James Schmidt, Mark Carroll: 2.0; Roger E Blaine, Justin Wu, Leonard Wikle, Edward Reedy, Scottie Lipa, Udbhav Raghukanth, Dinesh Bojja, 1.5; Ethan Fang, Dominic James Mayhew, Grant Mu: 1.0.

The Reserve section drew 11 players. Yven Destin posted 4 wins and 1 loss to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Joshua M Bartler, Akash Bhowmik: 3.5; Paul Poston: 3.0; Brian Kolas, David Carroll, Daniel Albert Sullivan, Aditya Ariyur, Lalith Roopesh: 2.5; Alan Hodge, Dimitrios Tsantidis: 1.0.

In the Cross Pairing section, a win was posted by Yutong Cao, Ashwin Kalyanakumar, Jeffrey W Baugham, Grace D Xu, Udbhav Raghukanth, and Venkateswara Pisini. A loss was posted by Kalpak Duddella, Akul Rajan, Lalith Roopesh, Paul Poston, and Dimitrios Tsantidis,

#19 Summer Begins Quick (June 5, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 12 players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. William Sedlar: 3.0; Phillip Grafton Shepard: 2.5; Caleb D Jaquish, Andrew J Pheasant, Christian Bechtold, Ben Wettle: 2.0; Jeffrey W Baugham, David Guehl: 1.5; Evan Daniel Fetter, Eric John Nielson: 1.0; Christopher Wettle: 0.5.

#20 Thunder Storms Welcome Summer Q (June 12, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 17 players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Alexander Zelner, John M Miller, Alexander Ian Cretsos: 3.0; William Sedlar, Jordan Henderson: 2.5; Caleb D Jaquish, Phillip Grafton Shepard, Yutong Cao, Christian Bechtold, Adith Joshua George, Joshua M Bartler: 2.0; Zoe Zelner: 1.5; George Ramayya, Isaac Kevin Matthew, Jack A Gilson, Alan L Zucksworth: 1.0.

#21 Rain Rain Rain Quick (June 19, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 14 players. William Sedlar and John M Miller posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Alexander Zelner, Christian Bechtold:

3.0; Caleb D Jaquish, Shawn Michael Irish: 2.5; Jeffrey W Baugham, Zoe Zelnor: 2.0; Gregory Quinn, Yutong Cao, Grace Liang: 1.5; Alan L Zucksworth, Aditya Anand: 1.0; Anandapadmanaban K Perumalchettiar: 0.0.

Summer Time Pawn Storm XXXI (June 20, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/60; d10. The 4-round event had three sections plus a cross pairings section. The Open section drew 17 players. Goran Vojinovic and Chris Bush posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. Remaining scores are as follows. William Sedlar, Noah Keating-Adams: 3.0; Scott Ramer, Annorjan Naguleswaran, Caleb D Jaquish: 2.5; David M Friedman, Yutong Cao: 2.0; Blake K Baumgartner, Jason Yuyang Wang, Nolan Xuhui Song, Matthew Yuan, Brian Sujanraj, Isaac Daniel Partee: 1.5; Leo J Zamansky, Ashwin Kalyanakumar: 0.5.

The U1900 section drew 13 players. David Guehl posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Kiran Boyinepally, Grace D Xu: 3.0; Christian Bechtold: 2.5; Jeffrey Stuart Davis, Aryan Balyan, Akul Rajan: 2.0; William Franklin, Adith Joshua George, Laine Massick, Ethan Fang, Udbhav Raghukanth: 1.5; Frank A Niro III: 1.0.

The U1600 section drew 10 players. Ethan Calvin Frederick Eckert posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Zoe Zelnor: 3.0; David Teague: 2.5; Ben Wettel, Grant Mu, Daniel Albert Sullivan, Grace Liang: 2.0; Amey Haridhas: 1.5; Alixaendra Mary Alic Eckert: 1.0; Douglas Massick: 0.5.

In the Cross Pairings section, Jeffrey Stuart Davis and George Ramayya posted a win, and Grace Liang and Alixaendra Mary Alic Eckert posted a loss.

#22 Build The Ark Quick (June 26, 2015) was directed by Riley Daniel Driver. Time Control: G/24; d5. The 4-round event drew 18 players. Deshawn Kelley posted 4 wins to capture first

place. Remaining scores are as follows. William Sedlar: 3.5; Alexander Zelnor, David Guehl, Kelly Matthew Bloomfield: 3.0; Jason Yuyang Wang: 2.5; Hafez Tari, Alexander Ian Cretsos, Yutong Cao, Christian Bechtold, Albert Valentine: 2.0; Zoe Zelnor, Ben Wettel: 1.5; Giovanni Michele Perottino, Alan L Zucksworth: 1.0; Shawn Michael Irish, Chad Drager, Christopher Wettel: 0.0.

**OCA District 7.** Central Ohio has the most activity with events (39 total) organized by Lou Friscoe (Central Chess Club), Kelly Bloomfield (Buckeye Chess Club), and Grant Neilley (Fellowship of the King Chess Club), with able assistance as needed. Highlights are given below, starting with a set of national scholastic events.

2015 National High School Blitz (April 11, 2015) was sponsored by the USCF and organized by Wayne D. Clark, James R. Aman, and Joseph E. Yun. Time Control: G/5; d0. The 12-round event drew 310 players. Akshat Chandra and Christopher Wu, both of New Jersey, posted a score of 11.5 to tie for first place. The top scorer from Ohio was Vincent Jingwei Baker with 8.5.

2015 National High School - Friends (April 11, 2015) was sponsored by the USCF and organized by Wayne D. Clark and Joseph E. Yun. Time Control: G/30; d5. The 4-round event drew 38 players. Ralph Patrick Zimmer of Maryland and Deshawn Kelley of Ohio posted 4 wins to tie for first place.

2015 National High School Championship (April 10 to April 12, 2015) was sponsored by the USCF and organized by Wayne D. Clark, Susan Breeding, and Joseph E. Yun. Time Control: G/120; d5. The K-12 Championship was seven rounds and had 472 players. Akshat Chandra of New Jersey posted 6 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. The top scorer from Ohio was Maggie Feng with a score of 5.5. The K-12 Under 1600 section was seven rounds and had 335 players. Javier Bernal of New York posted 7 wins to capture first place. The top scorer from Ohio was Emma Cheng with a score of 6.0. The K-12 Under 1200 section was

seven rounds and had 355 players. Robbie Alban Durham of Pennsylvania posted 7 wins to capture first place. The top scorer from Ohio was Rodney Blackman with a score of 6.0. The K-12 Under 800 section was seven rounds and had 250 players. Dennis Nhattien Phan of Pennsylvania posted 7 wins to capture first place. The top scorer from Ohio was Matt Clark with a score of 6.0. The K-12 Unrated section was seven rounds and had 89 players. Dominic Stephen Lynch of Arizona and Maxiwell Jin Luo of Illinois posted 6 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place. The top scorers from Ohio were Jeremiah Timothy Berger and Mithra Kancheti with a score of 5.5. An Extra Rated Games section was seven rounds and had 18 players. Kyle Moon of New York posted 4 wins, 2 losses, and 1 draw to capture first place.

2015 Spring Clover Challenge Chess (May 2, 2015) was organized by Grant Neilley and Myron L Thomas, assisted by Will L Thomas, Deshawn Kelley, and Katherine Lin in three sections, five rounds. Time Control: G/30; d5. The Open section had 16 players. Freddy Gonzalez posted 4 wins and 1 draw to capture first. Remaining scores are as follows: Skylar L Garrett: 4.0; Soham Joshi, Aditya Jambhale: 3.5; Jacob Eismann, Sai Rishik Lingam, Jayanth Reddy Donthireddy: 3.0; Jaswanth Vandrasi, Jeremy Grimm: 2.5; Alan Feng, Gabrielle Ruth McCreary, Mihir P Vador: 2.0; Sneha Prabu, Joey North Jr: 1.5; Zehua Edward Zha: 1.0; James Oram: 0.5. The U900 section had 30 players. Adeti Mohanselman posted 4 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Rohit Chejarla, Rohit Vallabhaneni, Makenzee Green, Smriti Sakhamuru, Vishnu Teja Dasaka: 4.0; Shivani Dhekne, Luke Fenker, Tyler Patterson, Tyrell Davis, Bhavya Singhal, Nikith Chandra Sai Konakalla, Benjamin David Leatherwood, Sean M Jackson, Colin Graham: 3.0; Lohith Savardekar: 2.5; Vidit D Pokharna, Athin Shetty, Benjamin Yin, Yuvraj Tammina, Rohan Padhye, Aizvereah Somakandan, John Anthuvan, Amitesh Verma: 2.0; Claire Koebel: 1.5; Lucas Xue, Adam J Yohannes, Harika Vandrasi: 1.0; Ashton Mason: 0.5; Andy H Yu: 0.0. The U600

section had 21 players. Rishikesh Makineni posted 45 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores are as follows. Anurag Reddy, Chase Mitchel Kelly: 4.0; Calvin James Chandler, Antony Goldenberg: 3.5; Christopher Perdue, Shritan Gunday, Varun Thotli, Jordan Phillips: 3.0; Braeden Chase Singleton, Ah'shyaunna Robinson, Sathvik R Allipuram, Chhavi D Pokharna: 2.5; Alyssa Michelle Batchelor, Jason Xu, Anthony Sfreddo, Kaylee Yaw: 2.0; Nikhita Tammina, Arjun Krishna: 1.5; Casey H Patterson, Ashton Richard Zane Vansickel: 1.0.

Lou Friscoe is the force behind the Central Chess Club and only needs a handful of players to organize a tournament. His Sunday in the Park series, held at the chess pavilion along the Scioto River, is a great favorite, even when held in the alternate site (North Market) due to weather. His club tournament names are topical and legend. Another tournament with his trademark on it is the Columbus Open. Top finisher in each event is listed below.

NCAA Final Quick Swiss (April 6, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Deshawn Kelley and William C Stewart posted 3 wins and 1 loss to tie for first place.

Last Day at the Market Swiss (April 12, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/45; d5. Charles M Diebert posted 4 wins to capture first place.

Hillary's in Quick Swiss (April 14, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Gregg Stark posted 4 wins to capture first place.

Clash at the Hey Hey Quick Swiss (April 21, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

Bruce Jenner Quick Change Round Robin (April 29, 2015) had 7 players. Time Control: G/10; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 6 wins to capture first place.

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Robin (May 4, 2015) had 7 players. Time Control: G/10; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 5 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

Pacquiao Cashes in Quick Round Robin (May 11, 2015) had 8 players. Time Control: G/10; d5. Deshawn Kelley and Tom Stafa tied for first with a score of 5.0.

North Market Thunderstorm Swiss (May 17, 2015) had 18 players. Time Control: G/45; d5. Charles M Diebert and Thomas D Stafa posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place.

NBA Playoffs Quick Swiss (May 18, 2015) had 8 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 4 wins to capture first place.

Memorable Quick Swiss (May 25, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

Gem City Burnout Quick Swiss (June 1, 2015) had 8 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith posted 4 wins to capture first place.

Sunday in the Park (June 7, 2015) had 20 players. Time Control: G/45; d5. Charles M Diebert and Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov tied for first scoring 3 wins and 1 draw.

Cleveland Rocks Quick Swiss (June 8, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Alexander Stephen Frentz posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

Jeni's Double Whammy Quick Swiss (June 15, 2015) had 12 players. Deshawn Kelley posted 4 wins to capture first place.

Hey Hey Monday Nights Quick Swiss (June 22, 2015) had 12 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Deshawn Kelley, Naphtali Anthony Smith, Bill Turner, and Alexander Stephen Frentz posted 3 wins and 1 loss to tie for first place.

Gay Day at the Hey Hey Quick Swiss (June 29, 2015) had 9 players. Time

Control: G/20; d5. Thomas D Stafa posted 4 wins to capture first place.

Kelly Matthew Bloomfield is active with the Chess Club of OSU and operates the Buckeye Chess Club (BCC, located in Reynoldsburg), where most events are held. Top finisher in each event is listed below.

BCC Thurs G25 4 2 2015 (April 2, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/25; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 4 wins to capture first place.

BCC Thurs 4 9 2015 (April 9, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. John Bath posted 4 wins to capture first place.

BCC Sunday 19th Quad (April 19, 2015) had 4 players in a double quad. Time Control: G/25; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 6 wins to capture first place.

BCC Thurs 4/23 (April 23, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

BCC Sunday 4/26/2015 (April 26, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/25; d5. Charles M Diebert and Deshawn Kelley posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place.

BCC Thurs G25 4/30/2015 (April 30, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/25; d5. Charles M Diebert posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

BCC Sunday Progressive 5 3 2015 (May 3, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/45; d5. Charles M Diebert posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place.

BCC Thursday (May 7, 2015) had 5 players. Time Control: G/25; d5. Deshawn Kelley posted 4 wins to capture first place.

BCC Thurs G20 5 14 15 (May 14, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Charles M Diebert and Benjamin Tancinco posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place.

BCC Thursday (May 21, 2015) had 4 players. Time Control: G/25; d5. Charles

M Diebert 3 wins to capture first place.

BCC Thurs G20 5 28 15 (May 28, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Charles M Diebert and Hafez Tari posted 3 wins and 1 loss to tie for first place.

BCC Sun G45 5 31 2015 (May 31, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/45; d5. Charles M Diebert posted 4 wins to capture first place.

BCC Thurs G30 6 4 15 (June 4, 2015) had 6 players. Time Control: G/30; d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith posted 4 wins to capture first place.

BCC Flag Day Round Robin (June 14, 2015) had 8 players. Time Control: G/12; d3. Charles M Diebert and Deshawn Kelley posted 6 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place.

BCC Flag Day Quick Quad (June 14, 2015) had 4 players. Time Control: G/12; d3. Peter L Galupo posted 3 wins, 1 loss, and 2 draws and Ethan Ferkins posted 2 wins and 4 draws to tie for first place.

BCC Two Weak (June 6 to June 18, 2015). Time Control: G/50; d5. Zach Kasiurak and Deshawn Kelley posted 3 wins and 1 draw to tie for first place.

BCC Saturday Progressive (June 20, 2015) had 4 players. Time Control: G/30; d5. Bill Turner posted 3 wins to capture first place.

Buckeye Chess Club G20 D5 (June 25, 2015) had 4 players. Time Control: G/20; d5. Benjamin Tancinco posted 2 wins and 2 draws to capture first place.

BCC Sunday 28th Swiss (June 28, 2015) had 10 players. Time Control: G/45; d5. Hafez Tari posted 4 wins to capture first place.

OCA District 9. Nine rated events were hosted in Cincinnati, summarized below.

QTC Chess Alliance 1 (March 14 through April 14, 2015) was organized by Duane Larkin in 10 rounds. Time Control: 40/120, SD/60; d5. This event

had 5 players. William Sedlar posted 2 wins and 6 draws and Ram Dake posted 4 wins and 2 draws to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Blake K Baumgartner: 4.5; Noah Keating-Adams: 4.0; Anthony Wayne Bayless: 1.5.

51st Cincinnati Open Scholastic (April 18, 2015) was organized by Alan Hodge and Jonathon Applebee in 5 rounds. Time Control: G/45; d5. The U1200 section had 9 players. Duke Wang posted 4 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Andrew John Russell, Thomas Weber: 3.5; Seth James Sutton, Amey Haridhas: 3.0; Lillian Wu, Joshua M Bartler: 2.5; Caleb Staples Marshall: 1.5; Varun SathyaJeeth: 1.0. The U900 section had 12 players competing in 5 rounds. Daniel G Frank posted 5 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Alex Fiani: 4.0; Smriti Sakhamuru, William Nathaniel Smith, Aditya Anand, Chethan Guntupalli. Sushanth Koppula: 3.0; Brian Ross Lam, Amulya Surabhi: 2.0; Surya Keerthi, William Edward Dewey: 1.0; Caleb Phillippi: 0.0.

51st Cincinnati Open (April 17 to 19, 2015) was organized by Alan Hodge and Keith Brackenridge in 5 rounds. Time Control: G/150; d10 (Schedule 2 Round 1 and 2: G/75; d5). The Open section had 20 players. Ronald Burnett, Peter Bereolos, and Scott Ramer scored 4.0 to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Taylor Micajah Bagley: 3.5; Hans Multhopp, John Russell Stopa, Noah Keating-Adams, Blake K Baumgartner, Michael A Perkins: 3.0; John Dowling, Russell Wilson: 2.5; Charles M Diebert, Stephen L Wygle, Oleg Fabrikant, Anagh Kulkarni, Logan Wu: 2.0; Anthony Francis: 1.0; Doug Hyatt: 0.5; James A Mills, Anagh Kulkarni: 0.0. The U2100 section had 20 players. Bill Turner posted 4 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Liberty V Green: 4.0; Andy S Porter: 3.5; Bradford Lowell Drake, Randas L Burns, Leo J Zamansky. Soureesh Moturi, Ashwin Kalyanakumar: 3.0; Benjamin Tancinco, Shourjya Ghosh, Bobby Goddin, Yutong Cao: 2.5; Hassan M Sobh, Dennis J

Gittrich, Daniel Paul Cunningham: 2.0; Nolan Xuhui Song, Om Borkar: 1.5; John Bath, Isaac Daniel Partee: 1.0; Benjamin Tancinco: 0.0. The U1800 section had 23 players. Ali Mirafzali posted 5 wins to capture first place. The U1500 section had 21 players. Andrew L Ehrman, Keith Brackenridge, and Skylar L Garrett each score 4.0 to tie for first place. The U1200 section had 11 players. Nathan Runda and Shreyas Reddy each scored 4.5 to tie for first place. In the Extra section Lillian Wu and Paul Poston drew.

2015 CCC Club Championship (May 10, 2015) was organized by Robert Chenault in four rounds to determine the Cincinnati Chess Club champion. Time Control: G/90; +30. Hans Multhopp posted 4 wins to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. James T Lake: 3.0; Mark Bennett: 2.5; Leo J Zamansky, Daniel Paul Cunningham, Andrew L Ehrman: 2.0; John B Randolph, Keevin Lee: 1.5; Paul Poston: 1.0; Yven Destin: 0.5.

2015 Cincinnati Scholastic Championship (May 2, 2015) was organized by Alan Hodge and Keith Brackenridge in three sections with four rounds. Time Control: G/55; d5. The Open section had 12 players. Jason Yuyang Wang posted 4 wins to capture first place; Anagh Kulkarni and Kiran Boyinepally score 3.5 to tie for second place. The Premier section had 12 players. Joshua M Bartler posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place; Nandita Kulkarni was second with 2 wins and 2 draws. The Reserve section had 12 players. Arushi Sharma posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place; Connor Bryce Ellingson was second with 3 wins and 1 loss.

QC 5\_22\_15 (May 23, 2015) was organized by Jeff H Benjamin in four rounds. Time Control: G/24; d5. The event drew 8 contestants. Hans Multhopp and Daniel Paul Cunningham each posted 3 wins and 1 loss to tie for first place. Remaining scores were as follows. David B Rief: 2.5; Duane E Larkin, Andrew L Ehrman: 2.0; Paul Poston: 1.5; James T Lake, George Brown: 1.0.



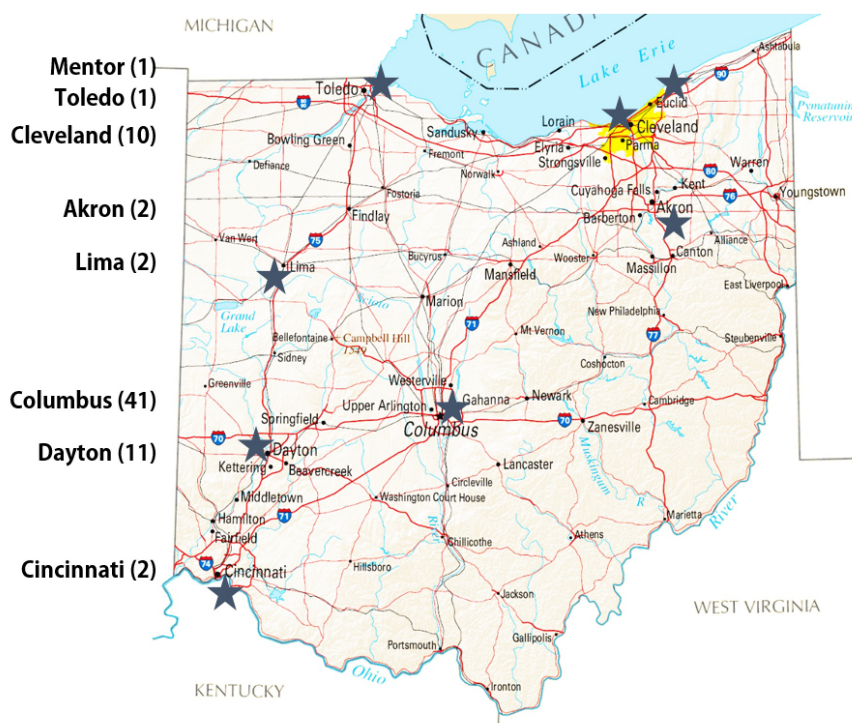
Quick CCC Quick (June 26, 2015) was organized by Robert Chenault in four rounds. Time Control: G/24; d5. John B Randolph posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Ram Dake, John-Derrill Giglio: 3.0; Hans Multhopp: 2.5; Daniel Paul Cunningham: 2.0; David B Rief, Yven Destin, Jeffrey Stuart Davis: 1.5; Mark Bennett, Paul Poston: 1.0.

2015 Emotional Chess (June 30, 2015) was organized by Robert Chenault in three sections with four rounds. Time Control: G/60; d5. Section Open Emo had 19 players. John B Randolph posted 3 wins and 1 draw to capture first place. Remaining scores were as follows. Noah Keating-Adams, Denton Dykes II, Andy S Porter: 3.0; Blake K Baumgartner, William Sidney Morriss, Jeffrey Stuart Davis: 2.5; Brian Sujanraj, Yutong Cao, Ashwin Kalyanakumar, William Franklin, Kalpak Duddella: 2.0; Ram Dake, Daniel Paul Cunningham: 1.5; Nolan Xuhui Song, Isaac Daniel Partee, Kiran Boyinepally, Joshua M Bartler: 1.0; Christian Bechtold: 0.0.

**No activity was recorded for OCA District 10.**

See listing of Ohio Chess Congress location, rounds, and player count in the championship section elsewhere in this issue.

## OCA State Championship Host Cities 1945 - 2014



## Ohio Chess Academy

With close to twenty years of training experience, Chess Master Carl Boor has provided professional and engaging chess service to schools, groups and individuals.

For over fifteen years he has coached over one thousand students in homes, schools, churches and the internet. His students have come from a wide range of demographics and skill levels. Student's need more than just knowledge in order to achieve their potential.

In his own words, "It is critical for a coach to not only have a strong knowledge base, but also to inspire and build confidence. I pride myself on being able to balance these elements in my teaching while at the same time create a fun, yet structured, learning experience."

Carl Boor achieved the National Master Title in 1998, Fide Master in 2009, Senior Master in 2012, and is a three-time Ohio Champion (2002, 2007, 2011).

He was July 2012 World Open co champion and Midwest Class co champion for a combined win of over \$10,000 in prizes.

His games and analysis have appeared in Chess Life, USChess.org and New In Chess Magazine and he even invented his own chess opening, "The Boor Attack" (1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.f3 !).

Visit Carl Boor's web site at <http://www.ohiochessacademy.com/> for more information.

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## Letters to the Editor

**Y**es, I receive communications from time to time. Some in an email, some penned in a personal note or greeting card, some scrawled on scraps of paper or packaging. First off is an example of the less formal.

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"YOU are a very bad EDITOR!  
Chess PIECES  
NOT "chess MEN"

pg 21 Kudrin Ramer  
"St George Attack"  
or Collegiate  
Attack" Student  
Body RIGHT!

NOT "Yugoslav  
Attack"  
Played in USA Colleges  
long before played by  
YUGOSLAVS"

J.S.

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**S**ehr geehrter J.S. With the most formal of German salutations, which no doubt you are intimately familiar with, and fully deserving of might I add, out of the way, I revert to plain English. It is not possible to meet the expectations of every reader. Still ...

Popular usage of the word man, plural men, has a rich history, with roots in the Proto-Germanic "manwaz" and recognizable cognates in Old English, Old Saxon, Swedish, Old High German, Gothic, Old Norse, and Danish. In this area I do have some schooling. Although the basic meaning of the word man is person (male or female), usage long ago extended to objects taken to represent people. Chess pieces were in fact referred to as men in the English language from about 1400. While political correctness has since reared its divisive head, I carry on as though it matters not to me.

Regarding the name applied to the opening line, I must confess that my copies of MCO have landed in the same

box as Bilguer's Handbuch. Haven't yours? I use an electronic lookup tool that uses a naming convention that highly likely originated in Yugoslavia. I have no inclination to determine whether in fact anyone in that area of the world (Yugoslav = south Slav) published a game with that opening line before anyone playing the same line in USA colleges might have.

Next is an excerpt from an email.

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"I received my OCB.....good job.

Looking at the OHIO CHESS CALENDAR, the Cincy Tornado was edited to "omit" one of the most valuable pieces of information: The Master Bounty Prize. I'm getting individual and business sponsors to put up the Bounty Prize.

- Currently it's at \$100 for upsetting top ranked Master. \$50 for a draw. If the one-seeded master has a perfect score, he receives the bounty prize of \$100.

- once we are at \$200 and \$300 for the Master Bounty Prize, we will regularly have 2300 & 2400 rated players coming out, very exciting, the players love it and it increases Cincy Tornado's overall turnout. It's a new thing in Ohio Chess. IM Goran has been the only perfect 4.0 so far. We have a ton of experts (7 to 8) entering Cincy Tornadoes as a result of the Master Bounty.

... The Master Bounty makes the drive to Cincinnati worth it. We have to get the word out. We [must] let the players know. Chess players are "playing up" (from Under 1600) to the Open Section to have a shot at the Master Bounty.

Much more than that, we have worked hard for sponsors and the OCB advertising is ROI (Return on Investment).

The Master Bounty is Carl Boor's idea and it has been a big hit. Chess needs new and exciting ideas.

Once again, good job on the recent OCB.....I was happy to receive it."

R.C.

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**T**hank you for your kind remarks and your explanation of an important aspect of your tournament. This is precisely the kind of information that could be provided by the tournament organizer in an event summary. Otherwise the editor must either prepare cross tables, which take up a lot of space, or strip down the cross tables to provide the names and scores as a form of event summary (as in this issue of the OCB).

Information of interest to most readers includes: Event Name, Location, Dates, Tournament Director, Venue and Playing Conditions, Number of Players Competing (Total, by Section), and Results in the form of a cross table or list of top finishers (perhaps to even score) with w-l-d. Chess historians will also be interested in analyzing results of various players over time by color, something not generally listed in cross tables. This can be placed in a narrative of highlights by round or by individual player, or it can be extracted from game score when provided.

But why stop there? Pictures can reinforce the message you are sending, or stand alone and still attract some interest. People in the picture should be identified by name. Don't forget to credit the photographer.

Yes, it is a lot to do, but if you get into the habit of collecting this information and submitting it in a timely manner, you will get an even greater ROI. Consider sending the event summary to your local or community newspaper to get the word out and generate additional publicity. Tournament directors did this a lot in the past, before getting personal computers and various other conveniences that make it easier to move from the most recent accomplishment to the next event planned. <M L S>

## 4-way tie for 1st in Dayton Masters FIDE RR

IM (Grandmaster [GM] elect) Jeffery Xiong, 14, tied for first with GMs Margvelashvili and Georgeiv and FIDE Master (FM) Ruifeng Li.

FM Ruifeng Li also earned his last norm for the International Master (IM) title. FM Li had to win a tremendous battle in Round 9 that went 118 moves to tie for first place. His opponent IM Farai Mandizha from Zimbabwe put up incredible resistance with 2 knights versus Li's queen.

Earlier fireworks occurred in FM Carl Boor's game against GM Dejan Bojkov when Boor sacrificed 3 pieces to win Bojkov's queen and great pressure against Bojkov. A slight miscue near the end resulted in the game being drawn.

GM Jeffery Xiong faced a reenergized IM John Bartholomew in round 9. IM Bartholomew had a slow start, but really picked up in the prior three rounds winning 2 and drawing 1. It was an impressive battle with both players seeking to win, but resulting in a draw.

At the closing ceremony IM Blocker and GM Xiong were each awarded \$250 for the most exciting game of the tournament which matched the oldest player with white against the youngest with black. Even though it ended in a draw it was selected as the most exciting game of the event. The game score is given below for your enjoyment. Near the end of the game IM Blocker was playing off of his increment move after move. After losing a piece and queening a pawn GM Xiong realized his own danger and used up 10 of his remaining 11 minutes figuring out how to avoid losing and eventually forced a draw.

**Blocker, Calvin 2370 vs Xiong, Jeffery 2523** Dayton Masters (4) 28.07.2015. 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nf3 b6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Bb7 7.Qc2 c5 8.d5 exd5 9.cxd5 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.0-0-0 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Bxd5 13.h4 g4 14.Ne5 Be4 15.Qd2 b5 16.f3 Qa5 17.Kb2 b4 18.cxb4 cxb4 19.Nc4 Qa6 20.Nd6 Nc6 21.fxe4 Qa3+ 22.Kb1 b3 23.Qb2 bxa2+ 24.Ka1 Qxg3 25.e3 Rab8 26.Qxf6 Rb1+ 27.Rxb1 axb1Q+ 28.Kxb1 Qe1+ 29.Kc2 Nb4+ 30.Kb3 Qb1+ 31.Kc4 Na2 32.Qxh6 Qb2 33.Qg5+ Kh8 34.Qh5+ Kg8 35.Qxg4+ Kh8 36.Qh5+ 1/2-1/2

Another game that ended in a draw was a very close contender is the game mentioned above between FM Boor and GM Bojkov, but only games in rounds 1-8 were being considered.

**Boor, Carl 2286 vs Bojkov, Dejan 2496** Dayton Masters (9) 31.07.2015. 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.Nc3 Bxa6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1 d6 9.g3 Bg7 10.Kg2 0-0 11.Nf3 Nbd7 12.a4 Qb6 13.Qe2 Rfb8 14.Nb5 Ne8 15.Bg5 Kf8 16.Nd2 Qb7 17.Ra3 Nc7 18.Rb3 Nb6 19.a5 Rxa5 20.Bxe7+ Kxe7 21.Nxd6 Kxd6 22.Rxb6+ Qxb6 23.Nc4+ Ke7 24.d6+ Qxd6 25.Nxd6 Rxb2 26.Qd1 Raa2 27.Nc4 Re2 28.Qb3 Rxf2+ 29.Kh3 Ne6 30.Qb7+ Kf6 31.e5+ Kg5 32.Qe4 Rf4 33.gxf4+ Nxf4+ 34.Kg3 Ne2+ 35.Kf3 Nd4+ 36.Ke3 Re2+ 37.Kd3 Rxe4 38.Kxe4 f6 39.exf6 Bxf6 40.Rf1 Nf5 41.Ne5 Bxe5 1/2-1/2

Futurity A was won outright by National Master (NM) Davis Whaley of KY with 7.5 points out 9.0 and only 3 draws. He looks like a real possibility for the Dayton Masters section next year. Right behind him was former Dayton Chess Club Champion NM William Sedlar with 7.0 points. However the big story in Futurity A may be two players who finished with only four points. First FM Akshita Gorti, working towards her Women's International Master (WIM) has a simply terrible start. She scored only 0.5 points in the first three rounds. Then she scored 1.5 points in the next three rounds showing great fighting spirit before losing two of her last three rounds. Then there is young – 8 years old – Jason Wang! He 'only' scored 4.0 points, but along the way he drew a FIDE Master, defeated a NM, defeated a National Expert, and drew another NM. This youngster (young man) is going places.

Futurity B was won outright by Class "A" player Abhinay Dommalapati with 8.5 points out of 9.0 stung for a half point when Justin Storn drew him in round 4. Playing his sister Aasa in round 9 he was clearly lost after blundering early on, but she returned the favor and he went on to win. Look for him to be playing to win Futurity A next year. The International Arbiter (IA) for the Dayton Masters was Boyd Reed from Pittsburgh, assisted by Anand Dommalapati from Fairfax, VA who earned his final norm for the title of FIDE Arbiter and Riley Driver, from Dayton, who earned his first of three norms for the FIDE Arbiter title.

The Dayton Chess Club is located at 18 West 5th St. and has been at this location for 15 years. Dayton Chess Club was established in 1957 and has been active in Dayton ever since holding its first club championship in 1959 and its 57th this year.

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## Digging Around in OCA Roots

Volume XX of the Ohio Chess Bulletin documented a major response of the Ohio Chess Association to the challenges of remaining in business—the business, so to speak, of representing chess in Ohio. The year was 1965, and the officers were dealing with the aftermath of excesses that put the OCA deep in debt, damaged its reputation, and threatened its very existence. Who were the friends of Ohio chess who stood up and accepted the responsibility to ensure that all of the prize winners from the 1964 Cleveland Chess Congress and the 1964 Chess Congress would be paid, and that other obligations to creditors made from 1962 to 1964 under the previous leadership would be met?

Before we reacquaint ourselves with the individuals, it helps to provide some background on the OCA at the time. It operated under the guidance of the Board of Trustees, which included the offices of president, secretary/treasurer, and editor of the Ohio Chess Bulletin, three Trustees from the Northern District and three Trustees from the Southern District. Association dues were \$4.00 per year. Life Memberships in the OCA were granted upon payment of \$50.00. The Ohio Chess Bulletin (OCB) was free to OCA members, \$2.00 per year to non-members. The fee for Chess Club Affiliation with OCA was \$6.00 per year. The membership count was 158. The affiliate clubs numbered five: Mahoning Valley Chess Club in Youngstown, Parkway Chess Club in Cincinnati, Firestone Chess Club in Akron, Central YMCA Chess Club in Columbus, and Perry High School (library) in Perry. OCA membership was not a requirement to play in the Congress or any other tournament in Ohio. The OCB tended to be 20 or 24 pages typed on standard letter paper (8.5 x 11 inches), and photographically reduced to the printed page size 5.5 x 8.5 inches (two pages on a rotated sheet, and folded). It was published six times a year.

The composition of the OCA Board of trustees at the beginning of 1965 was as follows: Southern District representatives Rea Hayes (OCA President) of Glendale, Dr. Harvey McClellan of Xenia, and Tony Mantia of Centerville; Northern District representatives Lewis Jenkins of Akron, Don Hilding of Toledo, and Al Wellman (OCA Vice President) of Youngstown. Other (voting) members of the OCA Board of Trustees included Don Taylor of Cincinnati as Secretary/Treasurer and David G. Wolford of New Carlisle as Editor of the Ohio Chess Bulletin. Before mid-year 1965, these last two functions were removed from the Board of Trustees and thus relieved of their voting capacity. President Rea Hayes noted in the June 1965 issue of the OCB that "Our present Editor resigned as a Trustee so that this requirement could be more readily implemented. The three years preceding our term in office have been an object lesson to us in the dangerous concentration of power in one individual." Later in that same message, President

Rea Hayes indicated a consideration to increase the number of trustees and to incorporate some changes to the Code and By-Laws. The proposed changes were printed in the August 1965 issue, where indeed the functions of Secretary/Treasurer and Editor were no longer listed as OCA officers, and the number of trustees was increased to 10. This amended Code of Regulations was adopted by unanimous vote of the membership at the Annual Membership Meeting on 5 September 1965. Following the standard nomination and election procedure, the Board of Trustees took shape as follows:

- 1 Don Hilding of Toledo
- 2 John Hoffman of Lorain
- 3 George Kellner of Lima
- 4 Steve Markowski of Toledo
- 5 Lewis Jenkins of Akron
- 6 Tony Mantia of Centerville
- 7 Paul L. Thompson of Columbus
- 8 Richard Kause of Uniontown
- 9 Rea Hayes of Glendale
- 10 Thomas Miller of Dayton.

At the election of officers, Rea Hayes was approved to continue as President and John Hoffman was elected Vice President. David Wolford was appointed Editor and Donald Taylor was appointed Secretary/Treasurer. In other business, prizes to winners of the 1964 Cleveland Chess Congress and 1964 Ohio Chess Congress were finally paid. These and other obligations were paid through a combination of donations and two interest free loans made to the Ohio Chess Association. Association dues remained at \$4.00 per year, but a Life Membership increased to \$75.00 (or 8 annual payments of \$10.00 each).

The count of club affiliations grew with the addition of the M.B.A. Chess Club of Cincinnati, Ohio State University Chess Club of Columbus, Dayton Chess Club of Dayton, and Wright-Patterson Chess Club of Wright-Patterson AFB.

The Ohio Championship, held at the University of Dayton, was a 7-round event in 1965, with shorter events organized for players who could not commit to the main event. The Ohio Champion in 1965 was Richard Noel of Chagrin Falls, who scored a perfect 7-0.

Dr. Harvey McClellan, an OCA past president and a tournament director, dropped off the Board of Trustees and faded away from chess life in Ohio. He was an occasional player in OTB and postal events, occasionally contributed articles to the OCB, and attended some chess functions (a simul), but was no longer as involved as in earlier years. He passed away October 25, 1989. < M L S >



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## OCA Congress Location, Round Count, and Championship Section Size

Year	Location	Rounds	Player Count	Year	Location	Rounds	Player Count
1945	Cleveland	7	30	1980	Columbus	6	102
1946	Columbus	7	40	1981	Columbus	6	129
1947	Columbus	7	27	1982	Lima	6	?
1948	Columbus	6	32	1983	Columbus	6	81
1949	Columbus	6	36	1984	Lima	6	60
1950	Akron	6	34	1985	Columbus	6	73
1951	Columbus	6	44	1986	Cleveland	6	82
1952	Columbus	7	46	1987	Columbus	6	78
1953	Columbus	7	47	1988	Columbus	6	70
1954	Columbus	7	47	1989	Cleveland	6	69
1955	Columbus	7	49	1990	Columbus	6	?
1956	Columbus	7	40	1991	Dayton	6	53
1957	Columbus	7	40	1992	Cleveland	6	45
1958	Columbus	7	?	1993	Columbus	6	59
1959	Columbus	7	?	1994	Columbus	6	61
1960	Columbus	7	48	1995	Columbus	6	51
1961	Columbus	7	?	1996	Columbus	6	51
1962	Cincinnati	7	?	1997	Columbus	5	38
1963	Columbus	7	59	1998	Columbus	6	47
1964	Cleveland	7	55	1999	Columbus	6	56
1965	Dayton	7	56	2000	Columbus	6	35
1966	Columbus	7	55	2001	Columbus	6	41
1967	Cincinnati	7	56	2002	Dayton	6	42
1968	Akron	7	65	2003	Dayton	6	32
1969	Columbus	7	122	2004	Cleveland	6	39
1970	Columbus	7	145	2005	Cleveland	6	33
1971	Columbus	7	126	2006	Dayton	6	41
1972	Columbus	6	40	2007	Dayton	6	29
1973	Columbus	6	71	2008	Columbus	6	46
1974	Mentor	6	68	2009	Dayton	6	33
1975	Dayton	6	86	2010	Dayton	6	33
1976	Toledo	6	76	2011	Columbus	6	40
1977	Cleveland	6	67	2012	Cleveland	6	41
1978	Dayton	6	?	2013	Cleveland	6	38
1979	Columbus	6	87	2014	Dayton	6	36

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## 2015 Columbus Open Prizes

The 2015 Columbus Open was hosted by the Chess Club of OSU at the Ohio Union from July 17 to 19. In the Open section the 4.5 score posted by IM Goran Vojinovich and GM Bryan Smith resulted in a split of first and second place prizes of \$2,500. A 4.0 score posted by GM Sergey Kudrin, Walker Griggs, Scott Ramer, John Lodger Hughes, and Maggie Feng resulted in a five-way split of third through fifth place prizes of \$1,500. Roman Kowalysko and Gregg Stark split the U2000 prize of \$1,000; Gregg Stark also won the upset prize of \$25 (rating differential 310). In the Premier Section, Jason Lai posted a 5.0 score to win \$600. Dave Rutherford, Patrick Miller, David Guehl, Kian Souayvixay, and Rajan Rachuri split the second place prize of \$400. The U1600 section had a 6-way tie between Daryl Skinner, William Franklin, Adith Josh George, Evan Shelton, Leo Izen, and Aja Sampath, splitting the \$400 prize. David Carroll won the upset prize of \$25 (rating differential 277). In the Reserve section, Katherine Lin scored 5.0 to capture first prize of \$600. Bruce Hill scored 5.0 for second prize of \$400. Smriti Sakhmuri won the upset prize of \$25 (rating differential 246).

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## Bylaws Committee Report

### Summary of Proposed Amendments to the Code of Regulations

In the Fall of 2014, OCA President Evan Shelton appointed a committee of OCA trustees, officers and members to review the existing Code of Regulations and recommend changes. Committee members are Steve Charles (trustee), Shawn Irish (member), Mike Joelson (member), Grant Neilley (trustee/Secretary), Grant Perks (member) and Cheryl Stagg (Treasurer & Membership Chair). The committee met twice; Mike and Shawn were unable to attend but their input was invited.

The Committee intends to continue working and propose further changes, but the following represents its recommendations thus far. This report was presented at the 2015 Annual Membership Meeting, at which time it was ordered published in the OCB for membership review and comment. The following is a summary and rationale of the proposed changes. Specific language amendments are available for review on the OCA website.

**Amendment #1:** Reduce the number of districts from the current 10, to 6, as follows:

- Districts 1, 3 & 4 consolidated into new district 1 (Toledo & NW Ohio)
- District 2 unchanged (Cleveland area)
- Districts 5, 8 & 10 consolidated into new district 3 (Akron/Canton & south to Ohio River)
- District 7 unchanged, renumbered to district 4 (Columbus area)
- District 9 unchanged, renumbered to district 5 (Cincinnati area)
- District 6 unchanged (Dayton area and west)

**Rationale for number:** It has been difficult to find enough willing volunteers to fill 10 district seats. Often, many are not actually from the district they're supposed to represent. In addition, it is not unusual to find volunteers who are willing to serve because we need someone (thank you!), but who don't actively engage in board discussions of various topics.

**Rationale for how consolidated:**

- Relative number of members in each district (see following chart);
- Keeps new districts in somewhat logical geography; and
- The new number of districts and configuration leaves each of the six most active areas of the state in separate districts: Toledo, Cleveland, Akron/Canton, Columbus, Dayton and Cincinnati.
- The committee does not recommend changing any district boundaries at this time, but may consider future proposals to do so.

OCA Membership by District (at time new districts proposed):

Current District	New District							
	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Out of State	Total
One	7							7
Two		25						25
Three	2							2
Four	18							18
Five			17					17
Six						27		27
Seven				98				98
Eight			4					4
Nine					42			42
Ten			5					5
Out of State							17	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>262</b>

**Amendment #2:** Board of Trustees will consist of no less than 7 members, and no more than 11, as follows:

- 6 Elected Trustees, one from each of the 6 districts (must be residents, no cross-district representation as in the past)
- 1 Elected Trustee at large (may live anywhere but must be an Ohio resident)
- The seven elected Trustees elect four officers, President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer; any officers who are not already voting trustees become voting trustees at large. If an officer is already a trustee, they only get one vote as a trustee, not an extra one as an officer.
- The Membership Chair is returned to committee chair status rather than an officer.
- OCA membership does not nominate candidates for President.

**Rationale:**

- a) Codifies current practice of trustees electing all officers (vs in current code, they only elect President & VP, and President appoints Secretary & Treasurer).
- b) Codifies current practice of trustees nominating candidates for President, membership has not been doing so as currently stated in code of regs.
- c) Officers who are not already trustees are actively engaged in board discussions, they should be eligible to vote on final decisions as well.
- d) At-large trustee ensures an odd number of trustees if all officers are already trustees and allows an additional opening on the board for an interested and dedicated person when there is more than one such person from any district.
- e) Membership Chair is an administrative function rather than an officer position, however we do not propose to prohibit one person to simultaneously hold this position and an officer position as is the case now (Membership Chair/Treasurer).

**Amendment #3:** Entire board elected in odd-numbered years (no election in even numbered years). The officers they elect also serve a two-year term.

**Rationale:** By electing only every other year, more time will be allowed for discussion of other issues at the membership meeting in the odd years, and allow for longer consistency on the board. By changing officers to two year terms as well, each board selects its officers for the entire term, and there is more consistency in leadership vs. potentially changing every year.

**Implementation Note:** If adopted, a transition rule will be needed as the term of previously elected trustees may not be cut short by an amendment, some of whose districts may be eliminated.

**Amendment #4:** Must be at least 18 to serve as a trustee or officer.

**Rationale:** Current code is silent as to age requirement. Minors lack legal capacity to enter into contracts; having them as voting members of a board could lead to legal problems in certain circumstances. This issue is not unique to OCA, it's a common provision in non-profit and corporate governance.

**Change:** Must be an Ohio resident to serve as a trustee or officer.

**Amendment #5:** Current code is silent as to residency requirements. While out of state members are welcome to join the OCA and enjoy the benefits of membership, the committee believes OCA should be governed by Ohio residents.

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## OCA Membership Good for Discount at Kings Island Open

NOV. 13-15 OR 14-15 24th annual Kings Island Open. Top 6 sections EF: \$115 online at chessaction.com by 11/11, \$125 phoned to 406-896-2038 by 11/9 (entry only, no questions), 3-day \$118, 2-day \$117 mailed by 11/4, \$130 at site or online until 2 hours before game. GMs \$100 from prize. Online entry fee \$5 less to OCA members. Under 1000 Section EF: all \$50 less than above. 3-day schedule: Reg. ends Fri 6 pm, rds Fri 7 pm, Sat 11 & 5, Sun 10 & 3:30. 2-day schedule: Reg. ends Sat 10 am, rds. Sat 11, 2 & 5, Sun 10 & 3:30. Byes: OK all; Open must commit by rd. 2, others by rd. 3. Ent: Continental Chess, Box 8482, Pelham, NY 10803 (chesstour.com, DirectorAtChess.US, 347-201-2269). \$15 service charge for refunds. Advance entries posted at chessaction.com (online entries posted instantly). Blitz tournament Sat 9:30 pm, enter by 9:15 pm.

# **39<sup>th</sup> Cardinal Open Chess Tournament**

**January 29-31 or 30-31, 2016, Columbus, Ohio**

**80GP, JGP**

**Site:** [Embassy Suites Airport Hotel](#), 2886 Airport Dr, Columbus OH 43219, 614-536-0500, beautiful facility! \$114/night thru January 22<sup>nd</sup> (ask for “Cardinal Open Chess Tournament” group rate, or [online reservations here](#)), *includes full hot breakfast and nightly manager’s reception*. Other food options within easy walking distance. Free parking, free shuttle to airport and Easton Town Center for shopping, dining and entertainment.

**5 Sections:** Open (FIDE), U2100, U1800, U1500, U1200. See also separate flyer for the Jr. Cardinal run concurrently for scholastic K-12/U1300 players (5-SS G/75 d5). Open section FIDE rated except rounds 1&2 of 2-day schedule.

**Important!** Open section using FIDE Laws of Chess (LOC). Players are *strongly* advised to familiarize themselves with the LOC and how they differ from USCF rules. Players 30 minutes late will forfeit. Electronic communication devices prohibited unless turned off (not just on silent/vibrate). Full LOC [here](#), summary of USCF differences [here](#).

**Format:** 5 round Swiss, 40/110, SD/30, d10. 2-day option, rounds 1&2 G/75, d/10. One ½-point bye any round, commit by end of round 2. Reentry available all sections. Sets provided, **please bring clocks!**

**Prizes:** \$10,000, *top 4 prizes in Open section guaranteed!* Others based on 200 paid entries (re-entries count as 1/3), *prizes will be added if more!*

- **Open** \$1200-800-500-350, \$100 bonus for clear 1<sup>st</sup> or on tie breaks, \$50 upset, all guaranteed; 80 Grand Prix points (enhanced); U2300 class prizes \$450-300
- **U2100** \$900-450-200-100; \$50 upset
- **U1800** \$900-450-200-100; \$50 upset
- **Female** best score any section, \$110 class prize
- Unrated and provisionally rated players not eligible for upset prizes.
- Unrated players limited to winning third place prize in all sections except Open.
- All sections Jr. Grand Prix eligible. See USCF for details.
- OCA Grand Prix points, all sections. See [www.ohchess.org](http://www.ohchess.org) for details.
- **U1500** \$700-350-170-100; \$50 upset
- **U1200** \$700-350-170-100; \$50 upset

**Entry Fee:** In advance, \$90 by 1/21, then \$100; on site \$105. GMs & IMs free, \$90 deducted from winnings. Check or credit card for [online entry](#) or mail entry with check payable to Fellowship of the King Chess Club, 2720 Airport Dr. Suite 150, Columbus OH 43219-2219; on site entries cash or credit card, no checks. Refund less \$7 admin fee if withdraw by 5pm 1/29, no refund thereafter. Re-entry \$30.

**Ohio Chess Association:** Current membership required of Ohio residents, optional for all others. Benefits include entry fee discounts at many Ohio tournaments, quarterly *Ohio Chess Bulletin*, automatic entry in Ohio Grand Prix, vote for OCA trustees/USCF delegates, and help support chess in Ohio!

**Schedule:** **3-day:** Registration Fri 5-6:30pm, Rounds 7:15; Sat 10 & 5; Sun 9 & 3:15.

**2-day:** Registration Sat 8:15-9:15am, Rounds 10, 1:30, then merge w/ 3-day 5pm; Sun 9 & 3:15.

Optional free G/75 d5 bonus games Sat 1:30 & Sun noon; results rated but don’t count for tournament.

**Side FIDE Blitz Tournament:** Saturday 9:30pm, entry fee \$20, 70% paid out as prizes. 5-SS, 2 games/round, G/5, d0, pairings, rounds & sections at TD’s discretion based on entries. FIDE LOC & Article B4 apply.

**On line Registration** [Click here](#), pay by credit card or check. **Flyer and paper entry form** at [www.neilley.com/chess](http://www.neilley.com/chess). Contact Grant Neilley, [grant@neilley.com](mailto:grant@neilley.com) (preferred) or 614-314-1102.

*If viewing this flyer in hard copy, underlined text links are available in online flyer at [www.neilley.com/chess](http://www.neilley.com/chess)*



## Ohio Chess Calendar

OCT. 23 DCC Friday Nite Quick #36 (QC). 4SS, G/24 d5. Dayton Chess Club, 18 W. 5th St., Dayton, OH. Rds.: 7:30/8:30/9:30/10:30. One bye. Prizes: based on entries. EF:\$14 (\$10 DCC mbr). Info: DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net, 937-461-6283.

OCT. 24 Cincy Tornado - As Chess As in Life. Tournament moved to Oct. 24 because last Saturday of month is Halloween. 2 Sections: OPEN & Under 1600. 4-SS, G/60 d5. EF: \$30 if paid online/\$35 at site. OGPrix Event/OCA deduct \$3. Masters above 2200 Free EF & Lunch. Open b/15: \$150-\$75; Class Prizes based on entries. Master Bounty Prize: Best Final Result against 1# Rated Master pays \$100 for win/\$50 draw. \$100 for perfect score to 1# Rated Master. UNDER 1600 b/15: \$150-\$75; Class Prizes based on entries. Reg. Ends 9:45am. 1st Round: 10am. 1st Baptist Church, 11195 Winton Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45218. [www.chessearth.com](http://www.chessearth.com), [info@chessearth.com](mailto:info@chessearth.com). Last Saturday of month is Halloween so tournament moved to Oct. 24.

OCT. 30 DCC Friday Nite Quick #37 (QC). 4SS, G/24 d5. Dayton Chess Club, 18 W. 5th St., Dayton, OH. Rds.: 7:30/8:30/9:30/10:30. One bye. Prizes: based on entries. EF:\$14 (\$10 DCC mbr). Info: DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net, 937-461-6283.

NOV. 6 DCC Friday Nite Quick #38 (QC). 4SS, G/24 d5. Dayton Chess Club, 18 W. 5th St., Dayton, OH. Rds.: 7:30/8:30/9:30/10:30. One bye. Prizes: based on entries. EF:\$14 (\$10 DCC mbr). Info: DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net, 937-461-6283.

NOV. 7 "Early Thanksgiving (19 Days)" Pawn Storm XXXII. TROPHIES PLUS GRAND PRIX POINTS: 10. 4SS, G/60 d10, at Dayton Chess Club, 18 W. Fifth St., Dayton, OH 45402. EF: \$33 to 30 Oct then \$43. EF \$25 to 2200 or higher. GTD Prizes: Open \$300-200, U1900 \$160-\$50, U1600 \$160-50. Reg.: 9:30-10:15. Rds.: 10:30-1:30-4:30-7:00. OGPx Event-OCA mbrs \$3 disc. DCC mbrs \$3 disc. Mail EF to: Dayton Chess Club, 18 W. 5th St., Dayton, OH 45402; or register online at

[www.daytonchessclub.com/](http://www.daytonchessclub.com/) or call 937.461.6283 for info.

NOV. 13-15 OR 14-15 24th annual Kings Island Open. TROPHIES PLUS GRAND PRIX POINTS: 150 (ENHANCED). 5SS, 40/110, SD/30 d10 (2-day option, rds. 1-2 G/60 d10). Embassy Suites Cincinnati Northeast, 4554 Lake Forest Dr., Blue Ash, OH 45242.

NOV. 14 Toledo November Swiss. Open, 4SS, Rnd. 1 G/75 d5, Rnds. 2-4 G/85 d5. The University of Toledo Health Science Campus, Mulford Library Basement Cafe, 3000 Arlington Ave., Toledo, OH 43614. Can split into 2 sections if enough players. EF: \$20 by 11/12, \$25 at site. Reg.: 9-10 a.m., Rds.: 10, 1, 4, & 7. Prizes: \$360 b/20, \$100-50, 1st A,B,C,D/Under \$40, 1st U1600 \$50. Ent: James Jagodzinski, 7031 Willowick Rd., Maumee, OH 43537. 419-367-9450.

NOV. 21 Parma Novemberfest. 4SS, G/45 d5. German Central Organization, 7863 York Rd. (1/4 mi. N of Sprague), Parma, OH. Sections: Open, U2000, U1600. Reg.: 8-9 AM. Rds.: 9:30-11:15-1:30-3:15. Prizes (b/50): Open 1st \$160, 2nd \$80; U2000 1st \$120, 2nd \$60; U1600 1st \$120, 2nd \$60; U1200 1st \$60. Ent: \$20. Info & entries: William Wright, 19121 Wheelers Ln., Strongsville, OH 44149 Phone: (440) 572-9565 E-mail: [grubber@adelphia.net](mailto:grubber@adelphia.net). Web <http://www.parmachessclub.org/>.

NOV. 27-29 Cleveland Classic. TROPHIES PLUS GRAND PRIX POINTS: 60. 5 Rounds, 30/90, SD/60 d5. At Sheraton Cleveland Airport Hotel, 5300 Riverside Drive (inside Cleveland Airport), Cleveland, OH 44135. Free parking. All Prizes (\$6000) Guaranteed in 5 Sections. Open: \$2000-700, top U2300/Unrated \$500. U-2100, U1800, U1500: \$500-\$200. U-1200: \$400-200 (top U1000 \$100). EF: \$90 by 11/23, \$100 at site. Free to GMs, IMs & WGMs, no prize deduction. Re-entry: \$40. Register online at [www.progresswithchess.org](http://www.progresswithchess.org) Schedule: Reg. Ends Fri 10:45 am. Rds. Fri 11- 5, Sat 10- 4, Sun 9 am. All: Half

point byes OK, excluding round 5, limit 1, must commit before Rd. 2. HR: \$74, 216-267-1500, request chess rate. Contact: M. Joelson, 216-321-7000, [mdjoelson@progresswithchess.org](mailto:mdjoelson@progresswithchess.org)

DEC. 12 Toledo December Swiss Open, 4SS, Rnd. 1 G/75 d5, Rnds. 2-4 G/85 d5. The University of Toledo Health Science Campus, Mulford Library Basement Cafe, 3000 Arlington Ave., Toledo, OH 43614. Can split into 2 sections if enough players. EF: \$20 by 12/10, \$25 at site. Reg.: 9-10 a.m., Rds.: 10, 1, 4, & 7. Prizes: \$360 b/20, \$100-50, 1st A,B,C,D/Under \$40, 1st U1600 \$50. Ent: James Jagodzinski, 7031 Willowick Rd., Maumee, OH 43537. 419-367-9450.

JAN. 29-31 OR 30-31 39th Cardinal Open, Columbus. TROPHIES PLUS GRAND PRIX POINTS: 80 (ENHANCED). 5-SS, 40/110 SD/30 d10 (2-day rds. 1&2 G/75 d10). Sets provided, bring clocks. 1 bye any round. Open section FIDE rated & Laws of Chess, others US Chess only. Re-entry any section. \$10,000 in 5 sections, top 4 prizes guaranteed, rest b/200 paid entries, prizes added if more! OCA Grand Prix. Open \$1200-800-500-350, \$100 bonus clear 1st or on tiebreak, all gtd; U2300 \$450-300; U2100 \$900-450-200-100; U1800 \$900-450-200-100; U1500 \$700-350-170-100; U1200 \$700-350-170-100; top female any section \$110; upset \$50/section. Unrateds limited to 3rd prize except in Open. EF \$90 if recd by 1/21, then \$100 in advance or \$105 on site; no checks onsite. Free to IM/GM, \$90 deducted from winnings. OH residents OCA membership reqd. 3-day: Reg Fri 5-6:30pm, Rds. 7:15; Sat 10-5; Sun 9-3:15. 2-day: Reg Sat 8:15-9:15, Rds. 10-1:30 then merge w/3-day. Blitz Sat eve, G/5 d0, FIDE rated! Enter online or FOTK Chess Club, 2720 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219. Embassy Suites Hotel, 2886 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219, 614-536-0500, \$114/night chess rate thru Jan 22. Full details, entry form & online entry [neilley.com/chess](http://neilley.com/chess), info [grant@neilley.com](mailto:grant@neilley.com), 614-314-1102.



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5 Sections, \$6000 in Prizes

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