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## 5 Tie for First in Cardinal Open



The 2016 Cardinal was held at the Embassy Suites Hotel on Airport Drive, by now a familiar venue, directed by Grant Neilley, Myron Thomas, and Will Thomas. The 5-round event drew 183 players competing in five sections. Nearly 50 players were from out of state this year. In the Open section (41 players), top rated GM Vladimir Georgiev (IL) was held to 3.5, losing to Yuri Barnakov in round 2 and drawing with IM Safal Bora (MI) in the final round. That left five tied for first at 4.0.



**IM Goran Vojinovich** (upper left photo) posted wins over Deshawn Kelley and Ryan Clayton, draws against Maggie Feng and FM Awonder Liang (WI), and a win over Tom Britt.

**GM Nikola Mitkov** (IL) won against Deshawn Kelley (reentered), drew against John Marcsik (KY), won against Nabil Feliachi (PA) and Yuri Barnakov, and drew against FM Liang.

**FM Liang** won against Johnson Moore (PA), James Mills (IN), and IM Safal Bora, then drew against IM Vojinovich and GM Mitkov.

**IM Bora** (MI) won against Johnson Moore (PA) and John Bidwell (IN), then drew against Yuri Barnakov, won against William Sedar, and drew against GM Georgiev.

Finally, **FM Carl Boor** (lower left photo) won against Aristo Liu and John Bidwell, lost to FM Liang, and followed up with wins against Nabil Feliachi and James Mills.

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## 2015 Columbus Chess League Wrapup

The fifth season of the Columbus Chess League concluded on Sunday, December 6th with twelve teams competing. This year saw a new entry from the Marion Chess Club, a return appearance by Falling Kings with a strong Dayton contingent, and once again two teams from the OSU Chess Club (teams Scarlet and Gray, naturally). For the second straight year, team Preparation H took first place, not surprising given their strong rating edge over the remaining field. Members were Scott Ramer, George Umezinwa, Tom Britt, Jake Lennon, Murat Baughman, and Joe Crump. In a tie for second place, the trophy went to team Falling Kings by a mere half game point over team “,” (captained by John Hayes who always comes up with a unique name, this year eschewing alpha characters entirely for a simple punctuation mark). Falling Kings teammates were Will Sedlar, Naphtali Smith, John Miller, Daniel Cunningham, Aryan Balyan and Daniel Zimmer.

The U1600 trophy went once again to the Turks, winning the tie with the OSU Gray team on game points. Members were Daryl Skinner, Peter Galupo, Dennis White and Richard Vail.

Individual board prizes went to Tom Stafa on Board 1 on tiebreaks over Scott Ramer (4 points each), Naphtali Smith on second board (5 points), John Bath on third, and Ernest Levert on fourth, the latter two with overall best individual scores in the tournament of 5.5 each out of 6.

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Cover. It is a retro style approach, from the days when the OCB was published in a smaller page (and smaller type) format. This gained space for four tournament announcements with entry forms. The picture of IM Vojinovich is from the CCL website (<http://cclchess.com>); the picture of FM Boor is similarly from his website ([www.OhioChessAcademy.com](http://www.OhioChessAcademy.com)).

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

Dear OCA Members:

I hope this newest issue of the OCB finds you well. There is a lot of chess going on in Ohio, and that is a good thing. Please do whatever you can to support those who are organizing and directing these tournaments. Let them know you appreciate their efforts and give them feedback. Often, tournament directors don't know what the players want and are just doing their best to create events that they THINK players will like.

Speaking of tournament organizers and directors, please make sure you are submitting your events to the OCA calendar. For many players, this is their first stop to find events in their area. If you only put it on your club website, players will miss it. Often, players don't even check the USChess website, believe it or not. So please, use the OCA calendar to advertise your events.

In the coming months there will be some events that I hope you all take advantage of/ March with feature both a new event and an old favorite. The first weekend of March will feature the first open tournament as part of the Arnold Fitness Expo. This could be a great way to show that chess is something everyone can enjoy. A couple of weeks later will be the latest edition of MOTCF in Dayton. In April we will have the Cincinnati Open, and May will bring the Gem City Open. And of course there are all the one day and scholastic events. Lots of great chess this spring!

As we round the corner into spring and summer, please keep in mind that the Congress will be held Labor Day weekend. Look for details soon. At the Congress we will be electing officers and trustees. I will not be returning as president after this year. I have served for three years, and I feel that my time is up. I also believe there will be other vacancies, but I will allow those officers/trustees to share their intentions with the full board before I announce anything here. If you feel that you have something to offer the OCA and can serve in a leadership role, now is a good time to step up. There are lots of things that could be done, but it will take leadership and hard work to get them done.

I hope to see many of you in the coming months in Columbus, Dayton, Cincinnati or wherever I might be playing, I've always enjoyed getting up to the Cleveland and Toledo area tournaments, so I might show up there as well.

Yours in Chess,

Evan Shelton  
OCA President

# 2016 OHIO HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 23 and 24, 2016 • Wilmington, OH

## Sections and Time Controls:

- *High School Championship – 9-12 Open:* rounds 1-3 G/60 d5, rounds 4-6 G/90 d5
- *High School Reserve – 9-12 U1000:* all rounds G/60 d5
- *Middle School Championship – K-8 Open:* rounds 1-3 G/60 d5, rounds 4-6 G/90 d5
- *Middle School Reserve – K-8 U800:* all rounds G/60 d5

**Schedule:** *Later round 1 start time to accommodate players travelling to the tournament on Saturday morning — travelers need spend only one night in the hotel!*

- *Saturday:* Registration changes: 9:30–10:15; announcements: 10:30  
Rounds 1, 2, 3 & 4, all sections: 11:00, 1:30, 4:00, 6:30
- *Sunday:* Rounds 5 & 6: Reserve sections 9:00 & 11:30, Championship sections 9:00 & 12:30  
Awards: Reserve sections 1:45, Championship sections 3:45

**Registration and Entry Fees:** *Advance entry only.* Enter online at [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com) or by mail. Entries must be received by April 21, 2016. Entry fee \$39 through April 8, \$44 after April 8. Limited number of entries at \$10/\$15 are available for low-income players subject to verification.

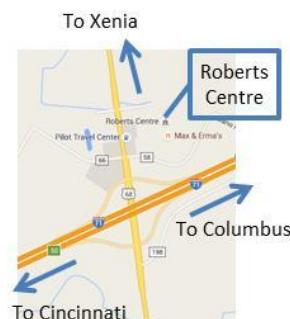
Current US Chess Federation membership required. Purchase or renew a USCF membership through the tournament registration process or separately at [www.uschess.org](http://www.uschess.org).

**Prizes:** Individual place trophies to the top five in each section. Honorable mention trophies to others scoring 4.0 or higher. Team trophies to the top five teams in each section. A team is two or more players from the same school in the same section; top four team member scores count.

## Venue:

Roberts Centre and Holiday Inn  
123 Gano Road, Wilmington, OH 45177

The Roberts Centre is located at the intersection of I-71 and US Route 68 (I-71 exit 50) roughly midway between Columbus and Cincinnati. A Holiday Inn is connected to the Roberts Centre, \$119/night, 937-283-3200. **Reserve by April 2 to ensure room and rate.** Don't miss out — this hotel frequently sells out!



Complete information at [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com).



*This is an Ohio Scholastic Chess Association/State Championship Event presented by Cincinnati Scholastic Chess*

## Tournament News in Brief

### OCA District 1 — 3 events, 93 players

**Toledo October 2015 Swiss** (10/10); Greater Toledo Area CC; C Fred Schwan; 2 Sections. Time Control: G/75;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section TD Ryan Daniel Clayton: 4 Rounds, 35 Players. John C Bidwell 4.0; Ryan Daniel Clayton 3.5; John Larry Hibbler 3.0; Mammooh Das, Lawrence Robert Widman Jr 2.5. ■ U1600 Section TD James F Jagodzinski : 4 Rounds, 16 Players. Michael Schwind, Briant Hamor Lee, Skylar L Garrett 3.0; C Fred Schwan, John B Smaltz, Yashwant Dubbaka 2.5.

**Toledo November 2015 Swiss** (11/14); Greater Toledo Area CC; Jonathan Doran, C Fred Schwan; 2 Sections. Time Control: G/90;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section: 4 Rounds, 23 Players. John C Bidwell 4.0; Robert A Florian 3.0; Morgan Everett, Harrison He, C Fred Schwan, Dan O'Shea 2.5. ■ Extra section 1 Round, 2 Players. Nathan Damas 1; Earl T Mowery 0.

**Toledo December 2015 Swiss** (12/12); Greater Toledo Area CC; C Fred Schwan; 2 Sections. Time Control: G/75;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section TD James F Jagodzinski: 4 Rounds, 18 Players. Ryan Daniel Clayton 4.0; Rohan Talukdar 3.5; Tyler D'Amore 3.0; Jeffrey Zhu, Luke A Otting 2.5. ■ U1600 section TD James F Jagodzinski: 4 Rounds, 17 Players. Howard Ted Whalen, John B Smaltz 3.5; Stefano Lee, Ken Miller, Dingjia Shen 3.0.

### OCA District 2 — 24 events, 1736 players

**Beachwood Sunday October** (10/18); Cleveland Chess Center; Michael Joelson; 4 sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section: 6 Rounds, 16 Players. Patrick Leland 5.5; Ralph Tan 4.5; Dae San Kim, Sean Tan 4.0; Leo Schirokauer, Young Kim 3.5. ■ U-1000 Section: 6 Rounds, 11 Players. Patrick Woo 6.0; Max Zukerman, Shashank Raghuraj 4.0; Haoqi Zhang 3.0. ■ U-500 Section: 6 Rounds, 29 Players. Faris Firoz, Arihant Aneja, Kabir Gulati 4.5; Justin Shin 4.0; Adithya Kalyanam, Matthew Lee, Pranav Nampoothiripad 3.5.

**Beachwood Sunday November** (11/22); Cleveland Chess Center; James Paul Varrone; 4 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section: 8 Rounds, 16 Players. Hansen Song, Young Kim 4.5; Ralph Tan 4.0; Dae San Kim 3.5. ■ U-1000 Section: 8 Rounds, 13 Players. Shashank Raghuraj 6.0; Wesley Lai 5.5; Max Zukerman 5.0; Haoqi Zhang, Adithya Kalyanam 4.5. ■ U-500 Section: 8 Rounds, 27 Players. Arihant Aneja 6.5; Kabir Gulati 6.0; Maya Tang, Jason Xi 5.5; Andrew Farrell, Matthew Lee 5.0; Abhi Raj Ashwath 4.5. ■ Extra Rated Games: 6 Rounds, 13 Players. Sinan Haufe 2.0; Shamith Murthy 1.5; Shashank Raghuraj, Zayd Haufe, Shreya Sreekanth, Griffin Doughty 1.0.

**Beachwood December 2015** (12/20); Cleveland Chess Center; James Paul Varrone; 4 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section TD Peter Carl Andreas: 5 Rounds, 15 Players. Ralph Tan 3.5; Sean Tan 3.0; Hansen Song 2.5. ■ Under 1000 Section Peter Carl Andreas: 5 Rounds, 14 Players. Patrick Woo 5.0; Max Zukerman, Adithya Kalyanam, Michael Keselman 3.0. ■ Under 500 TD Peter Carl Andreas: 5 Rounds, 26 Players. Darnell Clark 4.5; Fareeda Naduvil 4.0; Emir Naduvil 3.5; Faris Firoz, Jason Xi, Shreya Sreekanth 3.0. ■ Extra Section TD Peter Carl Andreas: 6 Rounds, 5 Players. Arihant Aneja 2.0; Brian Kim, Justin Shin 1.0.

**Cuyahoga Falls - Canton Scholastic Chess League** (10/24); David

Bills, Joseph Yun; 5 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ K-12 Championship TD Denny Helmuth: 4 Rounds, 13 Players. Anton Glocar, 4.0; Destynn Keuchel, Christopher D Berry, Chaitanya Annamreddi 3.0. ■ K-12 U-1000 TD Denny Helmuth: 4 Rounds, 25 Players. Evan Paul Miller, Erica Liu 4.0; Hemma Svasti Bagley, William Paz, Jack Bullock, Sam Beswetherick 3.0. ■ K-8 U-600 TD Douglas K Berry: 4 Rounds, 28 Players. Shashank Raghuraj 4.0; Neal Pannala, Jayson Holmes, Dakota Ryan Rowland, Rohit Dasanoor, Martin Heisler, Emily Anne Lucak 3.0. ■ K-5 U-500 TD Donald Glocar: 4 Rounds, 36 Players. Katrina Asano, Anant Adury 4.0; Sofi Louise Miller 3.5. ■ K-3 U-300 TD Kalanithi Bagley: 4 Rounds, 35 Players. Jacob Geletka 4.0; Evan Zepp, Aiden Clevenger 3.5.

**Cleveland - 2015 Cleveland Scholastic** (10/17): David Bills, Joseph Yun; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ 9-12 Rated TD Ernest D Levert Jr: 5 Rounds, 22 Players. Annorjan Naguleswaran 5.0; Jonny Bote, Kent Lui 4.0. ■ 5-8 Rated TD Ernest D Levert Jr: 5 Rounds, 21 Players. Destynn Keuchel 5.0; Ralph Tan, Nikita Shklaev 4.0. ■ K-4 Rated TD Ernest D Levert Jr: 5 Rounds, 13 Players. Sean Tan 5.0; Alicia Harper 4.0.

**Cleveland - 2015 Ohio Grade Level** (11/21): Cleveland Chess Center; Michael Joelson, David Bills, Joseph Yun; 13 Sections. Time Control: G/45;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Twelfth Grade Section TDs Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar; 5 Rounds, 22 Players.

Joel Jaffe, Daniel W Guo 4.5; Spencer Ronald Rogers 4.0. ■ Eleventh Grade Section TDs Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar; 5 Rounds, 20 Players. Anton Glocar 4.5; Jonny Bote, Enoch Wang 4.0. ■ Tenth Grade Section TDs Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar; 5 Rounds, 25 Players. Abhinav Chakravarthi Ramaswamy 5.0; Vikram Srivastava, Jasen Lai, Josiah Sawyer 4.0. ■ Ninth Grade Section TDs Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar; 5 Rounds, 29 Players. Anagh Kulkarni, Jeremy Koebel 4.5; Victoria Singkai Baker 4.0. ■ Eighth Grade Section TDs Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar; 5 Rounds, 26 Players. Luke Bohua Xie 5.0; Om Borkar, Chaitanya Annamreddi, Alan Feng 4.0. ■ Seventh Grade Section TDs Denny Helmuth, Donald Glocar; 5 Rounds, 26 Players. Justin Thomas Storn 5.0; Vincent Jingwei Baker, Vincent Chen, Nikita Shklaev, James Zhou 4.0. ■ Sixth Grade Section TDs Katherine Lin, James Paul Varrone; 5 Rounds, 44 Players. Adith Joshua George 5.0; Ralph Tan, Destynn Keuchel 4.5. ■ Fifth Grade Section TDs Katherine Lin, James Paul Varrone; 5 Rounds, 27 Players. Laine Massick 4.5; Karthik Kallam, Jacob Michael Andreini, Jeremy Grimm 4.0. ■ Fourth Grade Section TDs Katherine Lin, James Paul Varrone; 5 Rounds, 20 Players. Alicia Harper, Michael Lin 4.5; Emma Cheng, Erica Liu, Ketan Tamirisa 3.5. ■ Third Grade Section TDs Katherine Lin, James Paul Varrone; 5 Rounds, 39 Players. Dae San Kim 5.0; Sean Tan, Joseph A Winkler, Henry Wang, Wesley Lai, Aizvereah Somakandan 4.0. ■ Second Grade Section TDs Kalanithi Bagley, Katherine Lin; 5 Rounds, 23 Players. Rohan Padhye, Edison Liu, Zehua Edward Zha, Bhavya Singhal, Arjun Krishna 4.0. ■ First Grade Section TDs Kalanithi Bagley, Katherine Lin; 5 Rounds, 14. Patricia Tan 5.0; Abinav Sundar Dinesh 4.0; Aarush Gupta. ■ Kindergarten Section TDs Kalanithi Bagley, Katherine Lin; 5 Rounds, 6 Players. All finishers as follows. Sanjit Kapisthalam, Saadhika Bagley, Emma Liu 4.0; James Yang 1.5, Aditi Ramalingam 1.0; Lillyanne Cramer 0.5.

**Cleveland Classic** (11/29): Cleveland Chess Center; Joseph Yun; 4 Sections. Time Control: 30/90,SD/60;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 5 Rounds, 10 Players. Goran Vojinovic, Calvin Blocker 4.5; Christopher Yu-Shuo Shen 3.0. ■ U-2100 Section; 5 Rounds, 19

Players. Connor Keuchel, Peter Carl Andreas, Brennen Keuchel 4.0; Johnny P Hall III 3.5; Jim Nicks, Yutong Cao 3.0. ■ U-1800 Section; 5 Rounds, 10 Players. Destynn Keuchel 4.5; Benjamin Tancinco 4.0. ■ U-1500 Section; 5 Rounds, 8 Players. Young Kim 5.0; Evan Park 3.0.

**Cleveland - State of Ohio G/45** (12/26): Cleveland Chess Center; Michael Joelson, James Paul Varrone; 4 Sections. Time Control: G/45;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section TD James Paul Varrone ; 5 Rounds, 31 Players. Vasif Durarbayli 4.5; Fidel Corrales Jimenez, Eric S Rosen 4.0; Alex Shimanov, Goran Vojinovic, Denes Boros, Irine Kharisma Sukandar, Sam Massick 3.5; Walker Kyle Griggs, Iskander Aripov, William B Wright, Zane Eisen, Deshawn Kelley, Roman Kowalsko, Lonnie El 3.0. ■ U-2000 Section TD James Paul Varrone ; 5 Rounds, 22 Players. Jim Nicks 4.5; Johnny P Hall III, Tailong Zhou Tai, Daniel Bogert, Tyler Rutherford, Matthew Yuan 3.5; Brennen Keuchel, Jasen Lai, Ralph Tan 3.0. ■ U-1600 Section TD James Paul Varrone ; 5 Rounds, 20. Sam Eric Sherwin 4.5; Wade Denton 4.0; Sean Tan, Vishal Senthilkumar, Nigina Aripova, Nathan Lee Reinarts 3.5; Thomas Harley Gibson III, Ajay Subramanian 3.0. ■ U-1200 Section TD James Paul Varrone ; 5 Rounds, 11 Players. Ganeshmoorthy Buvanendran 5.0; Nick Hurst 4.0; Vijay Subramanian, Rohit Chejarla, Patricia Tan 3.0.

**Cleveland - 2015 Ohio Blitz Championship** (12/27): Cleveland Chess Center; Michael Joelson; 2 Sections. Time Control: G/5;d0. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section TD James Paul Varrone; 7 Rounds, 29 Players. Illia I Nyzhnyk, Levan Bregadze 6.0; Tanguy Ringoir 5.5; Aakaash Meduri 5.0; Walker Kyle Griggs, Kyle L Jones, Fedja Zulfic 4.5; Wilson Spaqi, Joshua Alan Harrison, Jonathan J Pagan, Timothy C Nesham, Bobby Goddin 4.0. ■ Under 1800 Section TD James Paul Varrone; 7 Rounds, 18 Players. Arnold Banner 7.0; Aleks Vayntraub 5.5; Nathaniel Q Wong 5.0; Ryan Tsai 4.5; Ralph Tan, William E Nettgen, Sean Tan, Sam Eric Sherwin, Christopher Hill 4.0.

**Cleveland - Pan American Extra Rated Games** (12/29): Cleveland Chess Center; Joseph Yun; 1 Section, 2 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/60;d5. Leo C Creger V, Elijah Neumann, Constantine Ananiadis, Hephestion Miltiades Bolaris, Kalind David Sommer Parish 1.0; Alan T Sherman, Krishna Gautam Appalaneni, Punith Raghavendra Kashi 0.0.

**Cleveland - 2015 Pan American Intercollegiate** (12/30): US Chess Federation; Constantine Ananiadis, Joseph Yun, Kelly Matthew Bloomfield. Time Control: G/90;+30. Chief TD Boyd M Reed; 6 Rounds, 185 Players. Top finishers as follows. Ray Robson (MO), Manuel Leon Hoyos (MO) 5.5; Alex Shimanov (RU), Andrey Gorovets (TX), Holden Hernandez (TX), Priyadarshan Kannappan (MO), Kyron W Griffith (NY), Alex Richter (MN), Joseph Fennessey (IL) 5.0.

**Parma - Club Championship** (10/27): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/90;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 8 Rounds, 17 Players. Benjamin W Weaver, William B Wright 6.0; Pappu Murthy, Peter Carl Andreas 4.5. ■ Reserve Section; 8 Rounds, 30 Players. David Wayne Bumba 6.5; Eric D King 6.0; Peter A Selenoi, Roger Carey, David Kowalczyk, Immanuel Halm, Timothy M Whitney 5.0; William Thomas Shukis, Nikola Matic 4.5. ■ Extra Section; 1 Round, 4 Players. Matthew Thomas Harrington, Paul J Buccino 1.0.

**Parma Nov3** (11/03): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 7 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Bobby Steen 2.5; Pappu Murthy 2.0. ■ Section

2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Johnny P Hall III 2.0; Richard Gedeon 1.5. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Jim Nicks 3.0. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Timothy M Whitney 3.0; Nikola Matic 2.0. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Patrick Saccogna, Dae San Kim 2.0. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Karol Jaremko 2.5; Jeffrey Jiminian 2.0. ■ Section 7; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Paul Brunovsky, Paul J Buccino 2.0.

**Parma Nov10** (11/10): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 7 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 6 Players. Kujtim Meta 3.0; William B Wright, Pappu Murthy 2.0. ■ Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Matthew Thomas Harrington 3.0; James L Harkins Jr 1.5. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Michael Henry Krosky 3.0; Jim Nicks 2.0. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Dae San Kim 3.0; Mark D Seaton 2.0. 2.0. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Tom C Eckert 3.0; David Wayne Bumba 1.5. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds, 4 Lisa Krysh, Paul Brunovsky 2.5. ■ Section 7; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Thomas Arthur Graske 2.5; Jeffrey Jiminian 2.0.

**Parma Nov17** (11/17): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 6 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. William B Wright 3.0; Jeremy Hunter Metrik 2.0. ■ Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Matthew Thomas Harrington, Johnny P Hall III 2.5. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Dae San Kim 2.0. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/30;d5. Immanuel Halm 3.0. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Jeffrey Jiminian 3.0; James Paul Varrone 2.0. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Michael A Palmer 2.5; Mitchell Otis Ferris 2.0.

**Parma Novemberfest** (11/21): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 4 Sections. Time Control: G/45;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 4 Rounds, 14 Players. Arvind Jayaraman 4.0; William B Wright, Pappu Murthy, John Everett Roush, Kujtim Meta, Patrick Leland Beatrez 2.5. ■ U2000 Section; 4 Rounds, 17 Players. David E Demetruk 3.5; Jonas M Reed Jr, Jesse J Mattson 3.0; Alexandru Serban Georgescu, Jeffrey P Wills, Joshua Peter Dunsworth, Darrington Gladman 2.5. ■ U1600 Section; 4 Rounds, 12 Players. Donald Hake 4.0; Marcus V Witte, Thomas Arthur Graske 3.0; Benjamin Becker Batton 2.5. ■ U1200 Section; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. Nathan G Williams 4.0; Ganeshmoorthy Buvanendran 3.0.

**Parma Nov24** (11/24): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 9 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 4 Players.. Kristopher C Meekins 2.5. ■ Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Richard Gedeon 2.5. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Jeremy Hunter Metrik 2.5. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Tom C Eckert 2.5. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Jasen Lai 3.0. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Chase Pfeil 3.0. ■ Section 7; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Antoine Thornton 2.5. ■ Section 8; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Mitchell Otis Ferris 3.0; Liam Resnick 2.0. ■ Section 9; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Sean Michael Cramer 3.0; Christian Thornton 2.0.

**Parma Dec1** (12/01): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 5 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. William B Wright 3.0; Kujtim Meta 2.0. ■ Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Gregory S Juneja 3.0; Johnny P Hall III 2.0. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Patrick Saccogna, Dae San Kim 2.5. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Nathan G Williams 3.0. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Thomas Arthur Graske 3.0, Paul Brunovsky 2.0.

**Parma Dec8** (12/08): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 8 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 6 Players. Kristopher C Meekins, Richard Gedeon 2.5. ■

Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Johnny P Hall III 2.5. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Darrington Gladman, Patrick Saccogna 2.5. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4. Tom C Eckert 3.0; Jim Nicks 2.0. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Nathan G Williams, Joseph M Erjavec Jr 2.0. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds. Chase Pfeil 3.0; Victor Nasvytis 2.0. ■ Section 7; 3 Rounds, 4. Stacia Pugh 2.5; Lisa Krysh 2.0. ■ Section 8; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Ken Hammer 3.0; Ganeshmoorthy Buvanendran 2.0.

**Parma Dec 15** (12/15): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 7 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Zane Eisen 3.0; William B Wright 2.0. ■ Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Jim Nicks 3.0; Wuyanbu Zutali 2.0. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Kujtim Meta 3.0. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Joseph M Erjavec Jr 2.5. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Darrington Gladman 3.0; Roger Carey 2.0. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Ganeshmoorthy Buvanendran 3.0; Paul Brunovsky 2.0. ■ Section 7; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Jeffrey Jiminian 2.5.

**Parma Dec22** (12/22): Parma Chess Club; William B Wright; 6 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Section 1; 3 Rounds, 6 Players. Benjamin W Weaver 2.5; Trey Modlin, Bobby Steen 2.0. ■ Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Richard Gedeon 2.5; Johnny P Hall III 2.0. ■ Section 3; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Joseph M Erjavec Jr 2.0. ■ Section 4; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Jasen Lai, David Wayne Bumba, Patrick Saccogna 2.0. ■ Section 5; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Ganeshmoorthy Buvanendran 3.0. ■ Section 6; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. Sean Michael Cramer 3.0.

**Rocky River - Greater Cleveland Scholastic Chess** (12/12): Cleveland Chess Center; Joseph Yun; 6 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Championship Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 12 Players. Dae San Kim 3.5; Ian Golias, Christian Thornton 3.0. ■ U-1400 Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 28 Players. Ethan Force 4.0; Andrew M Hu. ■ High School Reserve Section TD James Paul Varrone; 4 Rounds, 20 Players. Gregory Huff 4.0; Enxhi Jonuzaj. ■ Middle School Reserve Section TD James Paul Varrone; 4 Rounds, 41 Players. Joshua Cochran, Josiah Idley 4.0; Harshvardhan Sathish 3.5. ■ Elementary Reserve Section TD Peter Carl Andreas; 4 Rounds, 21. Henry Poduska 4.0; Manan Raina, Leo Wang, Michael Enders, Shamith Murthy, Jason Brose 3.0. ■ Primary Reserve Section TD Peter Carl Andreas; 4 Rounds, 29 Players. John Brose, Walter Poduska 4.0; Jason Xi, Jerry Fan, Johnathan Pleasant, Alessio Matera 3.0.

**Solon - PWC October** (10/24): Cleveland Chess Center; James Paul Varrone; 4 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 13 Players. Benjamin W Weaver, Gabriel Ewing, Calvin Marshall, Jasen Lai 3.0; Bobby Steen 2.5. ■ U-1800 Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 16 Players. Adam Harold Gerver 3.5; Ralph Tan, Vincent Chen, Dae San Kim, 3.0; Gregory S Juneja, Keith A Murray, Hansen Song, Young Kim, 2.5. ■ U-1400 Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 12 Players. Sean Tan, Marcus V Witte, Sean Michael Cramer, Alicia Harper 3.0; Christian Thornton 2.5. ■ U-1000 Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 12 Players. Henry Wang 4.0; Michael Keselman, Leena Jafri 3.0.

**Solon - Greater Cleveland Scholastic Chess** (10/31): Cleveland Chess Center; Joseph Yun; 6 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Championship Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 17 Players; Destynn Keuchel 3.5; Joel Jaffe, Ralph Tan, Neel Mehta 3.0. ■ U-1400 Section TD Michael Joelson; 4 Rounds, 39 Players. Anthony Luo, Ethan Force 4.0; Daniel Luo, David Lauinger

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Section 2; 3 Rounds, 4 Players. James Paul Varrone; 4 Rounds, 20 Players. Josiah Sawyer, Alex Deluca 3.5; Charles Vest III, Liam Smith, John Dosen 3.0. ■ Middle School Reserve Section TD James Paul Varrone; 4 Rounds, 37 Players. Helen Trujillo 4.0; Jayson Holmes, Srujan Jaladi 3.5. ■ Elementary Reserve Section TD Kalanithi Bagley; 4 Rounds, 20 Players. Patricia Tan 4.0; Leo Wang, Michael Keselman, Raghav Mahajan, Manan Raina, Henry Poduska 3.0. ■ Primary Reserve Section TD Kalanithi Bagley; 4 Rounds, 32 Players. Ryan Homa 4.0; Shamith Murthy, Dilan Nadkarni, Matthew Yang, Cehan Ahmad, John Brose, Jason Xi, Walter Poduska, Alexandra Andreias 3.0.

### OCA District 5 — 4 events, 250 players

**Akron Chess Club October** (10/03): Akron Chess Club; David Bills; 2 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 4 Rounds, 9 Players. Benjamin W Weaver, Pappu Murthy 3.0; William B Wright, Aristo S Liu 2.5. ■ Premier Section; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. Destynn Keuchel 4.0; Brett Dale 3.0.

**Akron Chess Club November** (11/07): Akron Chess Club; Joseph Yun; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 4 Rounds, 16 Players. Benjamin W Weaver, William B Wright 3.5; Kristopher C Meekins 3.0. ■ Premier Section; 4 Rounds, 13 Players. Jerry Smith Sr 4.0; Darrington Gladman 3.0. ■ Reserve Section; 4 Rounds, 7. Andrew Cook 3.5; Patricia Tan 3.0.

**Akron Chess Club December** (12/19): Akron Chess Club; Joseph Yun; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 4 Rounds, 16 Players. David Allen 3.5; William B Wright, Benjamin W Weaver, Bobby Steen 2.5. ■ Premier Section; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. Ryan Tsai 3.5; Jasen Lai, Brett Dale 2.5. ■ Reserve Section; 4 Rounds, 5 Players. John Snopko 4.0; Shashank Raghuraj, Braeden Hart 2.5.

**Mogadore - Canton Scholastic Chess League** (12/12): Akron Chess Club; David Bills; 5 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ K-3 U-500 Section TD Kalanithi Bagley, Douglas K Berry; 4 Rounds, 51 Players. Seth Dorland, Henry Paz 4.0; Ryan Green, Brennan Calhoun 3.5. ■ K-5 U-650 Section TD Kalanithi Bagley, Douglas K Berry; 4 Rounds, 59. Neal Pannala, Abhinav Medapati, Kelly Wang, Emily Anne Lucak 4.0. ■ K-8 U-700 Section TD Donald Glocar, Douglas K Berry; 4 Rounds, 28 Players. Rohit Dasanoor 4.0; Kouta Tabata 3.5. ■ K-12 U1000 Section TD Denny Helmuth; 4 Rounds, 30 Players. Joshua Klatt, Hemma Svasti Bagley 4.0. ■ K-12 Champ Section TD Denny Helmuth; 4 Rounds, 10 Players. Anton Glocar 4.0; Enoch Wang, William McNeill Snyder 3.0.

### OCA District 6 — 13 events, 197 players

**Dayton - 2015 Wright Brothers Open** (10/04): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver, Michael Schauer, Sharon Lea Anderson Driver; 4 Sections. Time Control: 30/90,SD/60;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open Section; 5 Rounds, 31 Players. Sergei Azarov, Sergey Kudrin, Awonder Liang, William Sedlar 4.0; Ben Li, Karthikeyan Pounraj, John Dowling 3.5; Annorjan Naguleswaran, James A Mills, Surya Parasuraman, David E Demetruk 3.0. ■ Premier Section; 5 Rounds, 23 Players. James T Lake 4.5; Brad Hoegne 4.0; Elina Vilenchuk, Christian Bechtold, Aryan Balyan, Jason Michael Thiese 3.5; David Guehl, David B Rief 3.0. ■ Reserve Section TD Sharon Lea Anderson Driver; 5 Rounds, 4 Players. Michael Edward Osborne II 4.5; Ben Wettle 3.0; Srikrishna Kondaveeti 2.5; James Brickey 1.0. ■ Crosspair Section TD Sharon Lea Anderson Driver; 2 Rounds, 6 Players. Justin Thomas Storn, Kevin P Taylor, Christian Bechtold 1.0.

**Dayton - #34 Beware Quick** (10/09): Dayton Chess Club; Shawn Michael Irish; 4 Rounds, 9 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. David M Friedman 4.0; Yutong Cao, Jeffrey W Baugham 2.5.

**Dayton - Blue Hawaii Soon Quick #35** (10/16): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver, Sharon Lea Anderson Driver; 4 Rounds, 10 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. William Sedlar 4.0; Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov 3.0.

**Dayton - #36 Supposed to Be Shawn Quick** (10/23): Dayton Chess Club; Michael Schauer; 4 Rounds, 11 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. John Dowling 3.5; Jason Michael Thiese 3.0.

**Dayton - Aloha Quick #37** (10/30): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 4 Rounds, 12 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. William Sedlar, David M Friedman, Loren Rodgers 3.0.

**Dayton - Thanksgiving Warm up Quick #38** (11/06): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 4 Rounds, 13 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov 4.0; Ram Dake, Yutong Cao, Jeffrey W Baugham, Joseph Parker 2.5.

**Dayton - Early Thanksgiving Pawn Storm** (11/07): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/60;d10. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open; 4 Rounds, 10 Players. Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov 4.0; Ram Dake 3.0. ■ U1900; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. Daniel Andrew Begley 3.5; David Guehl, Jason Michael Thiese, Ben Wettle 2.5. ■ U1600; 4 Rounds, 11. William Franklin 3.5; Brian Lee Morris 3.0; Raymond Gifford, Eric John Nielson 2.5.

**Dayton - #39 Lucky Friday 13th** (11/13): Dayton Chess Club; C Kay Stanley; 4 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. David M Friedman, Earle P Wikle, Shawn Michael Irish 3.0.

**Dayton - #40 Gobble Gobble Quick** (11/20): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 4 Rounds, 16 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. William Sedlar, Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov 3.5; Alex Ian Cretos 3.0.

**Dayton - #41 Twenty-one Days Quick** (12/04): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 4 Rounds, 12 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. William Sedlar, David M Friedman 3.5; Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov, Adith Joshua George 3.0.

**Dayton - #42 14 Days and Counting Quick** (12/11): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 4 Rounds, 6 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. Noah Keating-Adams 3.5; Jeffrey W Baugham 3.0.

**Dayton - Masters2GameMatch** (12/18): Dayton Chess Club; Riley Daniel Driver; 2 Rounds, 2 Players; Time Control: 40/90,SD/30,+30. William Sedlar, Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov 1.0.

**Dayton - #43 Friday Before Christmas** (12/18): Dayton Chess Club; C Kay Stanley ; 4 Rounds, 14 Players; Time Control: G/24;d5. Alex Ian Cretos 4.0; Jason Yuyang Wang 3.5.

## Overheard

Q: Tough game. What went wrong?

A: After a great deal of thought I sacrificed a piece, but next move I forgot why.

## OCA District 7 — 37 events, 507 players

**Columbus - Columbus Chess Academy Fall Classic** (10/03): Akron Chess Club; Katherine Lin, Joseph Yun, 3 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ Open; 5 Rounds, 14 Players. Xavier Nicolo Paganini, Joseph Patric Crump 4.5; Rohit Vallabhaneni, Lohith Savardekar, James Edward Ferrer Marinas, Uku Hendrik Hughes 3.0. ■ U-900; 5 Rounds, 29 Players. C Cameron Ogden 5.0; John Stephen Li, Nicholas Wang 4.0. ■ U-500; 5 Rounds, 9 Players. Atharva Vinayak Sapre 5.0; James Epps Ramsey 3.5.

**Columbus - Feel the Bern Round Robin** (10/05): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 6 Rounds, 6 Players; Time Control: G/12;d5. Thomas J Britt 5.0; Casey O'Melia 3.5; Lou Friscoe 3.0.

**Columbus - Walter Browne Memorial Quick RR** (10/12): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 7 Rounds, 7 Players; Time Control: G/10;d5. William C Stewart, Lou Friscoe 4.0; Brad Hoehne, Christian Bechtold, John David Wright 3.0.

**Columbus - Columbus Chess League 2015** (10/18): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley; 2 Rounds, 44 Players; Time Control: G/75;d5. Scott Ramer, Thomas J Britt, John R Hayes II, John M Miller, Sinan Murat Baughman, Thomas D Stafa, James J Weitthoff, Reid Fu, Daniel Paul Cunningham, Joseph Patric Crump 2.0.

**Columbus - Sunday Blitz** (10/18): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley; 12 Rounds, 10 Players; Time Control: G/5;d0. Naphtali Anthony Smith 10.0; Hafez Tari 8.5; John M Miller 8.0; Xavier Nicolo Paganini 7.5.

**Columbus - Short-Handed Round Robin** (10/18): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 5 Rounds, 5 Players; Time Control: G/45;d5. Aja Sampath 4.0; Lou Friscoe 3.0.

**Columbus - Tronald Dump's Youge RR** (10/19): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 6 Rounds, 6 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. Thomas D Stafa, William C Stewart 4.0.

**Columbus - Jackets Win One !** (10/26): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 10 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith, Casey O'Melia 3.5; William C Stewart, Brad Hoehne 2.5.

**Columbus - 2015 Fall Clover Challenge Chess To** (10/31): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley, Matthew Webber, Myron L Thomas, Katherine Lin; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. ■ Open TD Matthew Webber ; 5 Rounds, 30 Players. Spencer C Brooks 5.0; Sneha Prabu, Matt Wang, Rishikesh Makineni 4.0. ■ U900 TD Myron L Thomas; 5 Rounds, 24 Players. Abinav Sundar Dinesh 5.0; John Stephen Li, Benjamin Lloyd Williams 4.0. ■ U600; 5 Rounds, 22 Players. Jagadeesh Mannem 5.0; Antony Goldenberg 4.0.

**Columbus - Jeb! Quick Fadé Swiss** (11/02): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. William C Stewart, Joseph Patric Crump 3.0.

**Columbus - Columbus Chess League 2015** (11/08): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley; 2 Sections. ■ November; 2 Rounds, 40 Players; Time Control: G/75;d5. Scott Ramer, Naphtali Anthony Smith, Thomas D Stafa, John Bath, Brad Hoehne, Casey O'Melia, Ernest D Levert Jr, Winston Z Chen 2.0. ■ November Extra Dual-Rated; 1 Rounds, 2 Players; Time Control: G/50;d5. Julian Chitu 1.0; Grayson Lorenzo Jackson 0.0.

**Columbus - November Sunday Blitz** (11/08): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley; 14 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/5;d0. Xavier Nicolo Paganini 12.5; Brad Hoehne 9.0; Aryan Balyan 8.0.

**Columbus - Voted Off Kings Island Quick Swiss** (11/09): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 12 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. Marc Serve 4.0; Tyler Rutherford, Brad Hoehne 3.0.

**Columbus - Tortorella's the Man Round Robin** (11/16): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 8 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/12;d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith 6.0 ; Marc Serve, Gregg Stark 4.0.

**Columbus - Rout the Red Bulls Round Robin** (11/23): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 7 Rounds, 7 Players; Time Control: G/12;d5. Thomas D Stafa, Steve E Charles 4.0.

**Columbus - North Market Organic Turkey Swiss** (11/29): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 20 Players; Time Control: G/45;d5. Carl Boor, William Sedlar 3.5; Hans Multhopp, David M Friedman, Grant S Perks, Casey O'Melia 3.0.

**Columbus - Quick Global Warming Round Robin** (11/30): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 7 Rounds, 7 Players; Time Control: G/10;d5. Thomas D Stafa 5.5; Lou Friscoe 3.5.

**Columbus - BCC Thurs 12 3 2015 G25\_5** (12/03/): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 4 Rounds, 6 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. Deshawn Kelley 3.5; Tyler Rutherford 3.0.

**Columbus - Columbus Chess League 2015** (12/06): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley, Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 2 Rounds, 41 Players; Time Control: G/75;d5. William Sedlar, Naphtali Anthony Smith, Sinan Murrat Baughman, Jake Lennon, John Bath, Ernest D Levert Jr, Yuluo Kang, Kelly Matthew Bloomfield 2.0.

**Columbus - December Sunday Blitz** (12/06): Fellowship of the King CC; Grant Neilley; 16 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/5;d0. George O Umezinwa 11.5; William Sedlar, John M Miller, Alexander Stephen Frentz 10.5.

**Columbus - Quick Sneak Attack Round Robin** (12/07): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 7 Rounds, 7 Players; Time Control: G/10;d5. Deshawn Kelley 6.0; Thomas D Stafa 5.0.

**Columbus - Salute to Shingles Quick Swiss** (12/14): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. Tyler Rutherford 3.0; Deshawn Kelley, Gregg Stark, Grant S Perks, Brad Hoehne 2.5.

**Columbus - North Market Christmas Swiss** (12/20): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 29 Players; Time Control: G/45;d5. William Sedlar, Yuri Anatolievich Barnakov, John M Miller 3.5; Thomas J Britt, Charles M Diebert, David M Friedman, Robert Chenault 3.0.

**Columbus - Salute to Shingles II** (12/21): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe; 4 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. Alexander Stephen Frentz 4.0; Deshawn Kelley 3.0; Tyler Rutherford 2.5.

**Columbus - Meadowlark Lemon Sudden Death Swiss** (12/28): Central Chess Club; Lou Friscoe, Grant S Perks ; 4 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/20;d5. Deshawn Kelley, Grant S Perks, Tyler Rutherford 3.0; Alexander Stephen Frentz, Joseph Patric Crump 2.0.

**London - Behind the Walls V** (10/25): Fellowship of the King CC; Mike Dean Walters; 6 Rounds, 9 Players; Time Control: G/15;d5. Alan Casden 6.0; Theodore C Sloan, Mike Dean Walters, Joe Hiep Swindler 4.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC G40 10 8 2015** (10/08): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/30;d5. John M Miller 3.0; Brad Hoehne 2.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thurs Quad 10 22 15** (10/22): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith 3.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Sat G45 10 24 2015** (10/24): Chess Club of OSU; Benjamin Tancinco; 4 Rounds, 10 Players; Time Control: G/45;d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith 3.5; Benjamin Tancinco 3.0; Tyler Rutherford 2.5.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thursday Night Chess** (10/29): Chess Club of OSU; Benjamin Tancinco; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/30;d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith 3.0; Tyler Rutherford 2.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thurs Quad 11 5 15** (11/05): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. Naphtali Anthony Smith 3.0; John M Miller 2.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Sat G45 11 7 15** (11/07): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/45;d5. John M Miller 3.0; Charles M Diebert 2.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thursday Night Audible** (11/12): Chess Club of OSU; Benjamin Tancinco; 4 Rounds, 6 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. John M Miller 3.5; Tyler Rutherford 3.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thurs G20 11 19 2015** (11/19): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 4 Rounds, 8 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. William Sedlar 4.0; John M Miller 3.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Sat Dec 5 2015 Quad** (12/05): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/45;d5. Aryan Balyan, Udbhav Raghukanth, Sean Michael Cramer 2.0.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thurs 12 10 2015** (12/10): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 4 Rounds, 6 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. Deshawn Kelley 3.0; Tyler Rutherford, Benjamin Tancinco 2.5.

**Reynoldsburg - BCC Thurs Quad 12 17 2015** (12/17): Chess Club of OSU; Kelly Matthew Bloomfield; 3 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/25;d5. Deshawn Kelley 3.0; Christopher S Miller 2.0.

## OCA District 9 — 12 events, 542 players

**Blue Ash - 3rd Annual Kings Island Open Blitz!** (11/14): Continental Chess Assn; William Goichberg, Steve Immitt, David A Hater; 8 Rounds, 33 Players; Time Control: G/5;d0. Walker Kyle Griggs 7.0; William Sedlar 6.5; Davis Whaley, Billy Woodward, Manis Davidovich, Vikram Srivastava 6.0.

**Blue Ash - 24th Annual Kings Island Open** (11/15): Continental Chess Assn; William Goichberg, Steve Immitt, David A Hater, Grant Neilley, Wayne D Clark, Randall J Ryan; 7 Sections. Time Control: Schedule 1 Round 1: 40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 1 Round 2:

40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 1 Round 3: 40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 1 Round 4: 40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 1 Round 5: 40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 2 Round 1: G/60;d10, Schedule 2 Round 2: G/60;d10, Schedule 2 Round 3: 40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 2 Round 4: 40/110,SD/30;d10, Schedule 2 Round 5: 40/110,SD. ■ Open TD Grant Neilley; 5 Rounds, 40 Players. Aleksandr Lenderman, Priyadarshan Kannappan, Justin Sarkar 4.0; Alexander Shabalov, Goran Vojinovic, Davis Whaley, Walker Kyle Griggs, Ben Li, Maggie Feng, Benjamin Barry Moon 3.5. ■ Under 2100 TD Grant Neilley; 5 Rounds, 51 Players. Hafez Tari 4.5; Abhinav Chakravarthi Ramaswamy, Steffen Thieme, Grant Oen, Omar Elijah Cunningham, Ricky Wang 4.0. ■ Under 1900 TD Grant Neilley; 5 Rounds, 53 Players. Richard Mercer, Valdis M Tums, William C Stewart 4.5; George David, Peter Zheng 4.0. ■ Under 1700 TD Grant Neilley; 5 Rounds, 60 Players. David Roosevelt Wallach 4.5; Alan Kindred, Andre Goree, Johnny Owens, Daymion Phillips, Jeffrey W Baugham, Brandon David Eelbode 4.0. ■ Under 1500 TD Grant Neilley; 5 Rounds, 45 Players. Trenton Cole Rothan, Delondon Hawthorne 4.5; Harrison Vernon Campbell, Emma Cheng 4.0. ■ Under 1250 TD Wayne D Clark; 5 Rounds, 31 Players. James Allen-Polley, Alan Hodge 4.5; Vitaly Ford, Carlos Ortiz 4.0. ■ Under 1000 TD Wayne D Clark; 5 Rounds, 34 Players. Jacob Rosenthal 5.0; Mark V Banse-Fay, Kushal Varma Kothapalli, Rohit Chejrala, Smriti Sakhamuru 4.0.

**Cincinnati - Chenault vs Carla - Match #2** (10/04): Chess Earth; Robert Chenault; 4 Rounds, 2 Players; Time Control: G/90;d5. Robert Chenault 2.5; Vito Carla 1.5.

**Cincinnati - CSCS Oct 15** (10/10): Cincinnati Scholastic Chess; Alan Hodge, Keith Brackenridge; 3 Sections. Time Control: G/30;d5. Top finishers as follows. ■ K-12 Open; 4 Rounds, 9 Players. Lucas B Butler 3.5; Amey Haridhas 3.0. ■ K-12 U1000; 4 Rounds, 26 Players. Joseph Bentley, Larry Zhang 4.0. ■ K-6 U700; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. Sushanth Koppula 4.0; Rajdeep Roy 3.0.

**Cincinnati - Higgins vs Bayless** (10/21): Cincinnati Chess Club; Duane E Larkin; 6 Rounds, 2 Players; Time Control: 40/120, SD/60;d5. Anthony Wayne Bayless 5.0; Michael D Higgins 1.0.

**Cincinnati - Cincy Tornado - 2015 as Chess as in Life** (10/24): Chess Earth; Robert Chenault; 3 Sections; Time Control: G/60;d5. ■ Open; 4 Rounds, 11 Players; Blake K Baumgartner 3.5; William Sedlar, Steffen Thieme 3.0. ■ Under 1600; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. William Franklin, Steve Kolas 3.0. ■ Extra Games; 2 Rounds, 4 Players. Robert Chenault 2.0; Evan Y Huang 1.0.

**Cincinnati - CSCS Nov 2015** (11/07): Cincinnati Scholastic Chess; Alan Hodge, Keith Brackenridge; 3 Sections; Time Control: G/60;d5. ■ K-12 Open; 4 Rounds, 12 Players. Trenton Cole Rothan 3.5; Amey Haridhas, Andrew John Russell 3.0. ■ K-12 U1000 TD Curtis A Weeks, Jeffrey Stuart Davis; 4 Rounds, 19 Players. Ameya Anil Saraf, Varun Sathyajeeth 3.5; Srijan Kalva, Vikram Deepak, James B Logan 3.0. ■ K-6 U700 TD Curtis A Weeks, Jeffrey Stuart Davis; Time Control: G/30;d5; 4 Rounds, 6 Players. Rajdeep Roy 3.5; Daniel Goldcamp 3.0.

**Cincinnati - 2015 City Championship** (11/20): Cincinnati Chess Club; Jeff H Benjamin; 6 Rounds, 18 Players; Time Control: G/120;d5. Russell Wilson 5.5; Hans Multhopp 5.0; William Sidney Morriss, Jeffrey Stuart Davis 4.0.

**Cincinnati - Cincy Tornado - 2015 Thanksgiving Chess** (11/28): Chess Earth; Robert Chenault; 3 Sections; Time Control: G/60;d5. ■ Open; 4 Rounds, 20 Players. William Sedlar 3.5; Yuri Anatolievich

Barnakov, Alan S Falkingham 3.0. ■ Under 1600; 4 Rounds, 15 Players. David B Rief, William Franklin 3.5; Richard James Schmidt, Quentin G Docter 3.0. ■ Extra; 1 Round, 4 Players. Robert Challan, Steven Luttrell 1.0.

**Cincinnati - Match Games** (11/28): Chess Earth; Robert Chenault; 2 Rounds, 4 Players; Time Control: G/60;d5. William Sedlar 1.5; Daymion Phillips 1.0.

**Cincinnati - CSCS Dec 2015** (12/05): Cincinnati Scholastic Chess; Alan Hodge, Keith Brackenridge; 3 Sections; Time Control: G/30;d5. ■ K-12 Open; 4 Rounds, 18 Players. Trenton Cole Rothan, Connor R Weeks 3.5; Abinav Sundar Dinesh, Zehua Edward Zha 3.0. ■ K-12 U1000; 4 Rounds, 28 Players. Srijan Kalva, Benjamin Yin 4.0; Varun Sathyajeeth, Ameya Anil Saraf, Suraj D Parikh, Michael Patrick Ritschel, Aditya Anand 3.0. ■ K-6 U700; 4 Rounds, 8 Players. Joseph Pannapara 4.0; Rajdeep Roy, Kenneth Cao 2.5.

## OCA Membership Breakdown by District 15 January 2016 — Cheryl Stagg

OCA District	Trustee	Count
One	Cuneyd Tolek	7
Two	Mike Joelson	30
Three	John Dowling	2
Four	Eric Gittrich	19
Five	Joe Yun	14
Six	Riley Driver	18
Seven	Steve Charles	92
Eight	Grant Neilley	4
Nine	John Miller	28
Ten	Grant Perks	5
None	Out of State	15
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>234</b>

## North Market Winter/Spring Tournament Schedule

The Central Chess Club directed by Lou Friscoe rescheduled its March tournament to avoid conflict with MOTCF in Dayton. He will hold it on Sunday, March 13.

The venue is the North Market, 29 Spruce Street, in the Short North area, just north of Nationwide Arena, and a block west of the Convention Center on High Street. The event is held on the second floor balcony. It is a 4-round Swiss, G/30, then G/40, then G/50, then G/60, all with 5 second delay.

Entry is always \$20 at the door, which opens at 9:00 a.m. Access the playing area from the doors facing the parking lot on the east side of the building. Registration closes at 9:15 a.m. Prizes are not less than 75% of entry fees in two or more classes, depending on entries.

Park free at meters. The North Market lot will cost \$10 for over 2 hours. Goodale Park is a reasonable option for a 5-minute walk.



# CCL

## what happened

## what's new

## what's in the future

### Some recent highlights

- John Hughes earned his first International Master norm.
- CCL members won every section and class prize at the 2015 Ohio Chess Congress.
- CCL members went to the 2015 World Youth Championship as a team. Every year many CCL players qualify for the World Youth Championship. This year CCL Head Coach IM Goran Vojinovic went to Greece as well, to coach our 6 attendees and help the CCL team maximize their results.
- CCL members Luke Xie, Chris Shen, and Jason Wang made the 2016 All American Team.
- CCL won eight of the nine grades that they participated in at the Ohio Grade Level Championships.
- Luke Xie won the 8<sup>th</sup> grade championship. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> time he won the Grade Levels, breaking the previous record of 7 championships which belonged to Jonathan Hilton.
- Vincent Baker won the National 7<sup>th</sup> grade championship.
- 3 ccl members are now rated over 2300. The top 2 rated players in Ohio are CCL coaches.
- Highly acclaimed International Master Leonid Bass has joined the CCL coaching team and will be our over-the-board coach in both Dayton and Northern Kentucky.

### What's New – DAYTON CHESS CLUB and CCL tie the knot!!

One of the top chess clubs in the country are joining forces with one of the top chess training programs in the country in hope of creating one of the top chess centers in the United States. This is exciting for the future of chess in Ohio and beyond. We hope to see you at the great MOTCF tournament, this March at the Dayton Chess Club.



To advance this relationship, CCL will have many events at the Dayton Chess Club and CCL coach IM Leonid Bass will be giving over-the-board lessons for CCL in Dayton. In January Leonid gave a free lecture on Tactics in the King's Indian Defense. In February, CCL will be holding an advanced endgame camp on Rook Pawn Endgames. To read more about IM Leonid Bass, please go to <http://cclchess.com/coaches/#leonid>

### What's in the future

Outside of developing our current project with the Dayton Chess Club, nothing spectacular to report. We are going to continue our focus on obtaining the top coaches from around the world, who are willing to work as a team to bring the very best coaching to the CCL members. There are now 10 CCL coaches, working with students across 17 states and 5 countries.

### More information

Thank you for taking the time to read about CCL. We have become one of the top programs in the world and we are Ohio based! Do not miss out on the opportunity to become part of this unique and special experience. Our quality is high but our prices aren't. We currently work with students of all strengths and ages. Learn the game correctly, from the beginning. Contact us for more information:

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## A Lesson for Everyone, Especially the Young Player

By CCL Coach, IM Leonid Bass

692\_Tt01. This game shows some fine strategic play by Black, but it also demonstrates – especially to younger players – the errors a player can sometimes make due to overconfidence in a winning position.



This is one of my earliest games, played when I was 12 or 13 years old. In those days the Huebner variation of the Nimzo-Indian was very popular. In the Huebner, Black usually gives up a bishop for White's knight, doubling White's pawns on the c-file. Black then places most of his pawns on dark squares, leaving space for his light-squared bishop. This creates a very solid game for Black. Doubling White's c-pawns almost guarantees Black an advantage in many endgames.

**Manin, Viktor – Bass, Leonid**, Tashkent City Championship, ca. 1972

**1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. d4 Bb4+ 4. Nc3 c5 5. e3 Nc6 6. Bd3 Bxc3+**

Now that White controls e4 he wants to play Bd2 and avoid doubling pawns on the c-file.

**7. bxc3 d6 8. O-O e5 9. d5 Ne7**



This line is sometimes called the Huebner variation because he introduced (successfully) the knight retreat to e7. Before that, Black used to play Na5 with the plan of moving to b6 and Ba6, putting pressure on the c4 pawn. Ne7 is definitely an improvement because the main battle is going to develop on the kingside and the knight on a5 is usually too far away to participate.

**10. Qc2 O-O 11. Ne1 g6**

The idea is 12. f4 exf 13. exf (13. Rxf4 Ng4) 13. ... Bf5 with a very good game for Black.

**12. e4 Nh5 13. Bh6 Re8 14. Nf3**

14. g3 with the idea of following up with f4 looks more natural.

**14. ... f6 15. h3 Nf4**

With White's pawn now on h3, it's harder for White to kick Black's knight from f4.

**16. Bxf4**

On 16. Qd2 Black could reply g5.

**16. ... exf4 17. Rad1**

It is hard to understand this move. Of course, if Black plays f5, and White answers with e5, White's rook on d5 would be well-placed behind his passed pawn. But Black has no intention of playing f5.

**17. ... Kg7**

17. ... g5 would allow e5, opening a line for White's bishop.

**18. Nh2 h6**

I don't like this move. Black wants to play g5, then go from Ng6 to e5. He's worried that on 18. ... g5 White will play 19. e5 dx e 20. Bxh7 f5 21. d6 Kxh7 22. dx e Qxe7 with a very complicated position. Perhaps Rf8 or Bd7. I would rather wait for a different moment to play g5. The pawn on h7 is the last safeguard for Black's king.

**19. h4 g5 20. h5 Rf8**

Now Black's knight is terrible on e7, since it has no path to any brighter future.

**21. Qe2 Qa5 22. Rc1 Bd7 23. Rb1 Qc7**

**24. Qf3 Rae8 25. Rfe1 b6**

The only plan Black can have in this position is to make a break for f5 to revive his knight on e7.

**26. Re2 Ng8 27. Rbe1**

White is preparing for Black's f5 break.

**27. ... Re5 28. g3**

Now that Black's rook is vulnerable, White is trying to open the Kingside for his attack.

**28. ... fxg3 29. Qxg3 Kh8**

White was threatening to play f4.

**30. Nf3**

This is the third time White's knight goes to the f3 square. It was probably better to prepare to play f4 instead with Rf1.

**30. ... Qc8**



A very nice positional exchange sacrifice.

**31. Nxe5 fxe5**



After the exchange, Black's pieces are in ideal locations. White's forces are very uncoordinated. For the next few moves White tries to bring his bishop to h3 to exchange it for Black's bishop.

### 32. f3 Rf4 33. Rh2 Qf8

This move basically doesn't allow White to regroup. Kg2 or Rf1 defending the f3 pawn would not allow the White Bishop to pass to h3.

### 34. Re3

White insists on leaving the f1 square free to transfer his bishop to h3, but now the Rook on e3 is horrible,

### 34. ... Nf6 35. Bf1 Ng4



Winning a pawn and increasing Black's advantage.

### 36. fxg4 Rxg1+ 37. Kg2 Bxg4 38. Rh1

Of course Qxg4 loses to Qf2+ and Qxe3+.

### 38. ... Rf4

Black controls the only open file and White's h5 pawn is very weak.

### 39. Rhei Qf7

Improving the position of the queen before capturing on h5.

### 40. Kg1 Bf3

Playing Kg7 and then taking on h5 with the bishop would be also very good. The last move creates a specific threat: Rg4 winning White's queen.

### 41. Rf1 Bxe4 42. Rf2 Qxh5

After sacrificing the exchange, Black has won 3 pawns and his position is completely winning. But even with such an advantage, one should concentrate until the very end.

### 43. Rh2 Qd1+ 44. Re1 Rg4 45. Rxd1 Rgxg3+ 46. Kf2 Rf3+ 47. Ke2 Kg7

Black's advantage in this endgame is overwhelming.

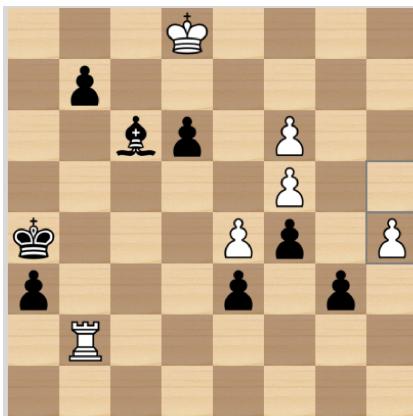
### 48. Rc1 Rf4 49. a4 g4 50. Ke3 g3 51. Rg1 Rg4 52. Rh3 g2 53. Kf2 Kg6 54. Re1 Rf4+ 55. Kg1 Bf3 56. Rg3+ Kf5 57. Rg7

Finally one of White's rooks gets active, but it is too late.

### 57. ... e4 58. Rf7+ Ke5 59. Re7+ Kf5 60. Rf7+ Kg5 61. Rg7+ Kh5 62. Kf2 Rh4 63. Rxa7 Rh1 64. Rg7 Rxe1 65. Kxe1 e3

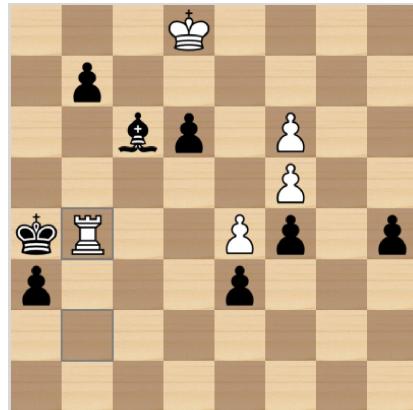
Black needs to make just one more move – Bg4 – and White can't stop g1=Q to win the game but...

### 66. a5



I was very young and impatient, and my opponent – a very strong Candidate Master with lots of experience – was taking almost 45 minutes to make this last move. So I spent the time watching other players play blitz in the other room of Tashkent chess club. When finally I realized that it was my move, I ran to the table, and seeing this absurd (so I thought at that time) a5 move, I snatched that pawn without even sitting down. Suddenly I saw the smile on my opponent's face as he continued play.

### 66. ... bxa5 67. Rg5+



Now it is a draw! 68. ... Kh4 69. Rg4+ Kh3 70. Rg3+ Kh2 71. Rh3+ Kg1 72. Rh1+ gxhQ stalemate. If I had played 66. ... Bg4 my opponent probably would have resigned immediately.

Here is the lesson to be learned: the game is not over 'til it's over!

*Note: Databases give an incorrect date for the tournament; 1974 is the date the game was published.*

## Cardinal Open, continued

The U2100 Section (34 players) was won outright by Surya Parasuraman (MI) at 4.5. Thomas Friske (IL) and Stanley Cao scored 4.0.

In the U1800 Section (50 players), two tied for first with a score of 4.5: Brandon O'Neil (MI) and James Slagle. James Lake and Evan Huang followed at 4.0.

The U1500 Section (41 players) was won by Stella Huang, who scored a perfect 5.0. Quentin Doctor, Eric Blum, and Ben Foley (IN) followed at 4.0.

The U1200 Section (29 players) was won by Jonathon Rissing, who scored 4.5. Kevin Storn, Ken Brown (IN) and Edison Liu scored 3.5.

## Carl Boor Undefeated in Blitz

The 2016 Cardinal Blitz Tournament, held on Saturday, January 30, had 26 players. Tom Priest handled TD chores. In this 10-round event, the time control was Game in 5, delay 0, and each player faced an opponent once as White, once as Black.

Top rated FM Boor posted a score of 10/10, winning both games against Aleks Vayntraub, David Antonucci, Naphtali Smith, William Sedlar, and Scott Ramer.

Naphtali Smith scored 8.0, and Casey O'Meila followed at 7.5.

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# MOTCF



## ~ Midwest Open Team Chess Festival ~

**Format:** 5-SS, Round 1 G/90, d/5. Rounds 2-5 40/90, SD/60, d/5 with no time deducted from delay clocks, no time added to non-delay clocks. Four players/team plus one alternate permitted.

**EF:** \$200/team mailed or online prior to March 13, then \$260 including Fri/Sat at site. Cash, V/MC ok. No cks at site. Mail Entries to Dayton Chess Club-18 West 5th St-Dayton, OH 45402. **Ohio Grand**

**Prix Event** - OCA mbrs \$3 discount – limit \$12 per team. Go to [www.DaytonChessClub.com](http://www.DaytonChessClub.com) to register online. **NOTE: Entries are LIMITED to the first 40 teams to register.**

**Prizes (GTD):** \$1600-\$1200, U2000-\$1100, U1800-\$1000, U1600-\$900. Top boards (1-4) regardless of rating - \$100 each.

**NOTE: House team available so no 1 pt byes.**

**Schedule:** Registration: Fri Mar 18 8-11pm & Sat Mar 19, 9-10am **Rounds.** Sat 10:30-2-7:30 Sun 10-3:30. **Site:** Dayton Chess Club – 18 West 5th Street – Dayton, OH 45402

**Team Ratings:** pairings determined by average rating of four highest with imputed ratings for those more 400 points or more below the team average. **USCF March ratings will be used.**

**Registration Form:** Include all team members, ratings, ID numbers, and board order (switches limited to 50 rating points), use the online entry form [www.DaytonChessClub.com](http://www.DaytonChessClub.com) if mailing entry.

**Hotel:** Crown Plaza unavailable. Please check DCC website for updates on Hotels/Motels.

**Parking:** All street parking is FREE downtown on Saturdays and Sundays plus weekdays after 6pm.

## ENTRY FORM - MOTCF - ENTRY FORM

### 2016 - Midwest Open Team Chess Festival - March 19-20

#### **PAYEE**

First Name/Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone / email: \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM ENTRY FEE: \$200 online or mailed before Mar 13 then \$260 including at site**

**TEAM NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER #1/USCF ID: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER #2/USCF ID: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER #3/USCF ID: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER #4/USCF ID: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER #5/USCF ID: \_\_\_\_\_

*If applicable*

**Copy – fill out – mail with check.** Make checks out to Dayton Chess Club and mail in time to be received **NLT 17 March 2016.** Mail to Dayton Chess Club – 18 West 5th Street – Dayton, OH 45402. Questions/Need Info: email [DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net](mailto:DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net) or call 937.461.6283.

## 2015 Ohio Senior Open Games

692\_L01. Perks, Grant - Hohn, Jeff [A10]. 2015 Ohio Senior Open, Lore City (2).

1. e4 f5 2. Nc3 Nf6 3. e4 d6 4. d3 e6 5. Be2 Be7 6. f4 Ne6 7. Nf3 e5 8. 0-0 fxe4 9. Ng5 0-0 10. dxе4 exf4 11. Bxf4 h6 12. Nf3 Be6 13. Qd2 Ng4 14. Nd5 Nge5 15. Rac1 Nxf3+ 16. Bxf3 Ne5



17. Rc3 Bf6 18. Be2 Qd7 19. Bxh6 Bxd5  
20. Qxd5+ Kh7 21. Bf4 g6 22. Rh3+ 1-0

692\_L02. Schwind, Michael - Rieff, David [B97] 2015 Ohio Senior Open, Lore City (4).

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 exd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Bg5 e6 7. f4 Qb6 8. Qd2 Qxb2 9. Rb1 Qa3 10. Rb3



10. ... Qc5 11. Bxf6 gxf6 12. Na4 Qc7 13. Nb6 Ra7 14. Nxc8 Qxc8 15. Bd3 Nd7 16. 0-0 Bh6 17. Qf2 b5 18. Nxb5 axb5 19. Qxa7 Ke7 20. Rxb5



20. ... Rd8 21. Rh5 1-0

692\_L03. Stopa, John - Bagnall, Walter [C55] 2015 Ohio Senior Open, Lore City (4).

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Ne6 3. Bc4 Nf6 4. d4 exd4 5. e5 d5 6. Bb5 Bb4+ 7. c3 dxc3 8. bxc3 Qe7 9. 0-0 0-0

692\_L04. Charles, Steve - Wilhelm, Mark [D94]. 2015 Ohio Senior Open, Lore City (4).

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. c4 Bg7 4. Nc3 d5 5. e3 0-0 6. Bd3 c5 7. Qb3 dxc4 8. Bxc4 Ne6 9. dxc5 Na5 10. Qb4 Nxc4 11. Qxc4 Qc7 12. Nb5 Qc6 13. Nbd4 Qc7 14. 0-0 Bg4 15. Rb1 Rac8 16. b4 a6



17. Ba3 e5 18. Nb3 Rfd8 19. Bb2 Be6 20. Qe2 Nd5 21. a3 Bd7 22. Rfd1 Bb5 23. Qc2 Nb6 24. Rxd8+ Rxd8



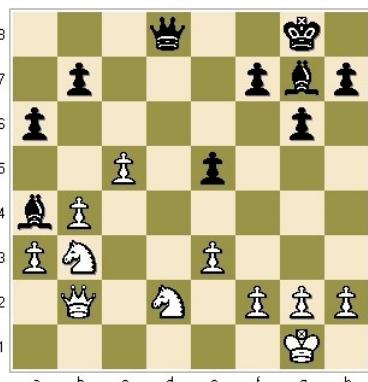
10. Bxc6 bxc6 11. cxb4 Ne4 12. b5 Re8 13. bxc6 Rb8 14. Qxd5 Bf5 15. Ba3 Red8



25. Rd1 Nc4 26. Rxd8+ Qxd8 27. Nfd2 Nxb2 28. Qxb2 Ba4



16. Bxe7 Rxd5 17. Na3 Nd2 18. Nxd2 Rxd2 19. Rfe1 Rbb2 20. Nc4 1-0



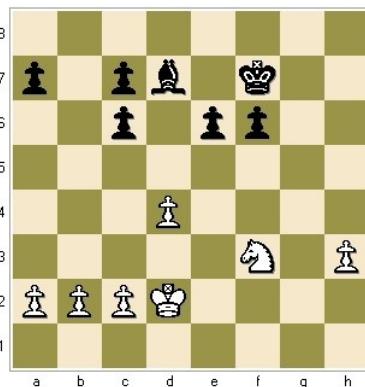
29. h3 Qd5 30. Na5 ½-½

692\_L05. Schwind, Michael - Pershing, Frank [C54] 2015 Ohio Senior Open, Lore City (5).

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bc4 Bc5 4. c3 Nf6  
 5. d4 exd4 6. cxd4 Bb4+ 7. Nc3 Nxe4 8.  
 0-0 Bxc3 9. d5 Ne7 10. bxc3 0-0 11.  
 Qc2 Nf6 12. Bg5 Ng6 13. Rae1 d6 14.  
 Re3 h6 15. Bxf6 Qxf6 16. Rfe1 Bd7 17.  
 Nd2 Qd8 18. Bd3 Ne5 19. Bf5 Bxf5 20.  
 Qxf5 Qd7 21. Rxe5 dxe5?? 22. Qxd7  
 1-0



Kd8 27. Nf3 Ke7 28. Kd2 Kf7



692\_L06. Guehl, David - Florian, Robert [C64]. 2015 Ohio Senior Open, Lore City (5).

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 Bc5 4. c3 f5  
 5. Bxc6 dxc6 6. Nxe5 Nf6 7. d4 Bd6 8.  
 Nxc6 bxc6 9. e5 Bxe5



32. Re3 Bg8 33. g4 Rd1 34. Kb2 R8d2+  
 35. Nc2 Rxcl 36. Kxc1 Rg2



29. Ke3 Kg6 30. Kf4 c5 31. c3 cxd4 32.  
 cxd4 Bc6 33. Ne1 Kh5 34. Nd3 Kh4 35.  
 Ne5 Bd5 36. a3 Kxh3 37. Nd7 f5 38.  
 Ne5 Kg2 39. Ke3 Kg3 40. Nd3 Be4 41.  
 Nf4 Kg4 42. b4 Kg5 43. Nh3+ Kg4 44.  
 Nf4 Kg3 45. Ng6 Kg2 46. Ne5 Bb5



10. dxe5 Qxd1+ 11. Kxd1 Ng4 12. Rf1  
 Ba6 13. Re1 0-0-0+ 14. Kc2 Nxf2 15.  
 Bg5 Rd5 16. e6 Ne4 17. Be3 Re8 18.  
 Na3 Kb8 19. g3 Rxe6 20. c4 Rd7



37. Re1 Rxe4 38. Ne3 Rf4 39. Nd1 Rf3  
 40. Kc2 Rd3?? 1-0

692\_L07. Charles, Steve - Perks, Grant [A82] 2015 Senior Open, Lore City, OH (5).

1. d4 f5 2. e4 fxe4 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. g4 h6 5.  
 Bg2 d5 6. h3 e6 7. Be3 Bd6 8. Qd2 Nc6  
 9. 0-0-0 Bd7 10. f3 exf3 11. Nxf3 Qe7  
 12. Rde1 0-0-0 13. g5 hxg5 14. Bxg5  
 Bg3 15. Nxd5 Qf7



47. Nf3 Bc6 48. Ne5 Bd5 49. Nd3 Ba2  
 50. Nf4+ Kf1 51. Nd3 Bd5 52. Nf4 Bc4  
 53. Nh3 Ke1 54. Nf4 Kd1 55. Ng6 Kc2  
 56. Ne7 Kb3 57. Ne6 Bb5 58. Nxa7 Bd7  
 59. b5 0-1

### Columbus Chess League

The League meets one Sunday per month in October through December, playing two rounds per meet at a time control of G/75 d5. The 4-board teams play in the basement party room of Donatos Pizza on campus. As one player remarked, it's better than coffee house chess, and more relaxed than a weekend tournament, but still gives the chance for some serious chess. New teams are always welcome, so grab some friends, and we'll hope to see you there next fall!

For more information, contact Grant Neilley, grant@neilley.com or 614-314-1102.

16. Nf4 Bxe1 17. Rxe1 Rhf8 18. Nh4  
 Nh7 19. Nfg6 Nxg5 20. Qxg5 Qf6 21.  
 Qxf6 gxf6 22. Nxf8 Rxf8 23. Bxc6 bxc6  
 24. Nf3 Rg8 25. Rg1 Rxe1+ 26. Nxg1

# 52nd CINCINNATI OPEN

April 1-3, 2016 • Hilton Garden Inn, Blue Ash  
5-Round Swiss • An Ohio Grand Prix Event

**Sections and Prizes:** Prizes based on 100 entries, else proportional. Prizes split among tied players.

Open	\$600 - 450 - 350 - 250	Top Under 2200	\$225 - 175
U2100	\$450 - 350 - 250 - 180		
U1700	\$350 - 250 - 180 - 140		
U1300	\$225 - 150 - 125 - 100		

*Unrated may not win more than the third-place prize amount except in the Open section.*

*Players may choose to play up but may not play up more than one section.*

*Section assignments and pairings based on April 2016 official USCF ratings (if available, otherwise March 2016), except that unofficial ratings will be used for players who are officially unrated.*

**Time Control:** G/150, d10 except 2-day schedule rounds 1 and 2 G/75, d5

**Schedule:** **3-Day** – Friday 7:00, Saturday 10:00 & 5:00, Sunday 9:00 & 3:00  
**2-Day** – Saturday 10:00, 1:00 & 5:00, Sunday 9:00 & 3:00

**Byes:** Maximum of two half-point byes; must commit by 4:30 pm Saturday.

<b>Entry fees:</b>	Advance	\$99.00	<i>Advance entries must be received by March 30, 2016.</i>
	Onsite	\$110.00	<i>GMs/IMs: No entry fee for Open; \$99 deducted from prize.</i>
	Re-entry	\$50.00	<i>A re-entry counts as one-half entry for prize pool purposes.</i>

**Entry Fee Discounts** *Deduct discount(s) from entry fee as applicable.*

*\$10 loyalty discount for anyone who played in the 2015 Cincinnati Open.*

*\$3 discount for current Ohio Chess Association (OCA) members. (You may purchase or renew an OCA membership with your tournament entry.)*

**Registration:** **Advance – entry must be received by March 30, 2016.** **By mail:** Mail completed entry form to Cincinnati Open, 9180 Pinewood Drive, Loveland, OH 45140-8234 with check payable to “Cincinnati Scholastic Chess.” **Online:** [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com); pay entry fee through PayPal using PayPal account or credit card. **Onsite:** Friday, April 1 from 5:30-6:30 pm or on Saturday, April 2 from 9:00-9:30 am. Pay with cash, credit card, or check payable to “Cincinnati Scholastic Chess.”

**Hotel:** Hilton Garden Inn, 5300 Cornell Road, Blue Ash, OH 45242. Room rate \$99 for room with king bed, \$105 for room with two queen beds. **Reserve by Friday, March 18, 2016 to ensure rate and room.** For reservations, book online at <http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/C/CVGBOGI-CSC-20160401/index.jhtml> (you can link from our website also, [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com)) or call 513-469-6900, reference code “CSC”.

**Information:** Information and advance entries posted at [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com). Email questions to [info@chesscincinnati.com](mailto:info@chesscincinnati.com), or text/call Alan Hodge 513-600-9915.

*No smoking • No computers • Bring sets, boards and clocks*

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52nd CINCINNATI OPEN ENTRY FORM				
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Section:	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> U2100	<input type="checkbox"/> U1700	
<input type="checkbox"/> U1300	Schedule:		<input type="checkbox"/> 3-day <input type="checkbox"/> 2-day	Bye round(s):
Entry fee (after applicable discounts):		\$ _____		<input type="checkbox"/> GM/IM: no entry fee
OCA dues (\$20 adult, \$15 grades K-12):		\$ _____		
Total payable: \$ _____ Make check payable to <i>Cincinnati Scholastic Chess.</i>				

## The Endgame Wager

by Bob Basalla

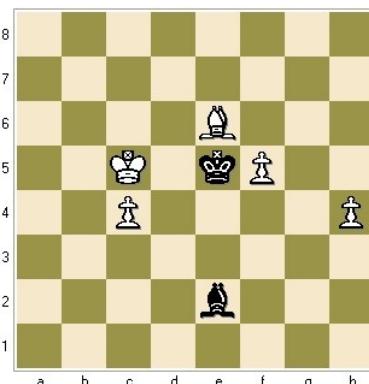
My first encounter with Hiram Gregory's extreme cleverness and observational skills came during a run of the mill quad night at the Caissa's Chosen Chess Club where I was long time president. Hiram, a near master level player, had come to town about five months before and quickly assimilated into our organizational team, becoming our regular tournament director for most Wednesday evening events. Such was the case that wintery night as the catering hall got transformed once more into our very own chess divan, encouraged by the widow owner whose husband had adored the game. Who could pass up the nominal rent she charged for such ideal surroundings even if we very occasionally got displaced due to a midweek wedding reception?

Hiram had just come in from the tournament hall to the smaller room we employed for skittles and general messing around. Standing by the TD table he made quite a visage with his longish nose and thick glasses. A black mop of unruly curls topped an expansive forehead. Hiram's excessive height allowed him to tower over practically everybody, a fact for which he seemed to compensate by chronically assuming a stooping stance.

I was about to go over to chit chat with Hiram when Boyd Fowler bumbled in from the main hall, clumsily displacing a folding chair. Red haired and freckle faced, the doughy Boyd looked like some heavy kid rather than the forty two year old computer programmer he actually was. "Ray, Ray, ya gotta see this!" Boyd called to me as his forearm bulldozed away that night's chess problem position set up on Hiram's board. "Dixon blew another one in the top quad. Total toilet tissue analysis."

My face must have registered confusion as Boyd was quick to explain. "Toilet tissue analysis—you know—two ply." Witty guy, my buddy Boyd, and one of many reasons we were each other's sidekick.

By this time Boyd had set up a hopeless endgame situation, three pawns down in a bishop ending:



Hiram and I, along with a few Asian-American kid stragglers from one of the lower quads, closed in from various angles to see what new specimen of shame Boyd had witnessed.

"Dixon was white here," Boyd breathlessly began, "and as usual he was real short of time. He's three pawns up, so of course it's an easy win until he negligently played this!" Boyd slammed the white king forward to c6 in accentuation (1. **Kc5-c6**). "And now Brinkman seized his chance and did this!" Boyd even more violently chopped off the c-pawn with the bishop, (1. ... **Be2xc4**). "And it's an instant draw! The game finished with a whimper with king here {2. **Kc6-d7**}, bishop here {2. ... **Bc4-d3**}, king here {3. **Kd7-e7**}, bishop takes {3. ... **Bd3xf5**}, bishop here {4. **Be6-f7**}, and bishop to g4 {4. ... **Bf5-g4**} with an obvious draw. What a swindle!"

"Very nice," admitted Hiram approvingly. "That's why you should never resign too soon in these quick games," he added, addressing the impressionable youth looking on.

One of the Asian novices spoke up. "But why didn't he take the bishop?"

Always generous with advice and encouragement for the less experienced, Hiram kindly answered. "Well," he began, whipping the pieces back a few moves with his long, Fischer-like fingers, "had Dixon taken the bishop {2. **Bc6xBc4**} Brinkman takes off the f-pawn {2. ... **Ke5xf5**} and even though White can save his last pawn by, say, Bishop to e2 {3. **Bc4-e2**} or pushing his pawn to the light square {3. **Ph4-h5**} to be protected, all Black has to do is walk his king into the corner," Hiram stepped the monarch from f5 to f6 to g7 to h8, "and the position is a

theoretical draw. Even though White is a piece and a pawn ahead there is no way to profitably evict Black from in front of the pawn as White's bishop cannot control the queening square. Draw."

"Ooh," cooed the Asian kids in unison. And a valuable nugget of chess knowledge was instilled, nay installed, in their budding computer brains.

**A**nd that would have been it, a few harmless giggles at Steve Dixon's expense plus a little lesson for the kiddies, had Julian Lennox not sauntered by at that moment. Most every chess club has a Julian Lennox. Holding court every Wednesday from his private fiefdom at a far corner of the hall, Julian saw himself as a chess hustler extraordinaire, constantly cajoling anyone he could into a series of five minute or less a side contests with the intention of raising the stakes beyond mere pride should opportunity arise. Wiry and gaunt, and sporting a thin face draped with acne scarred skin, Julian certainly looked the part of a hungry predator, at least in my mind.

"It ain't really so," Julian drawled, achieving everyone's immediate attention.

Hiram Gregory looked at Julian quizzically. "What's not so?"

"What you're feedin' to them kids," said Julian, for some reason feigning this "dumb" hillbilly affectation which I knew to be phony. He was actually well spoken when he wanted to be. "This ain't no draw if I was playin'."

"Sure it is," protested Hiram, "and a pretty easy one at that."

Boyd had come around next to me for an aside. "How could Lennox not know about the rook pawn and wrong color bishop drawing method? He's at least a strong expert."

"Even so, it still could be," I said while waving my hand to dissuade Boyd from further comments until this all played out. In my experience it was indeed possible for a good player not to be aware of such seemingly basic knowledge. Heck, I once saw an A-player lose the opposition and the game in a trivially drawn king and pawn against king ending with a full ten minutes left on his clock!

Then Julian baited the hook. "Wanna bet?"

Hiram's eyes seemed even larger than usual through his thick specs. "You want me to defend this position against you?"

"Darn right, and I'll queen that pawn right down your throat." Julian stuck out his hand. "A hunnert bucks says I can. Money where your mouth is, my man."

Hiram Gregory submerged into thought, staring at the board silently for an uncomfortably long interval.

Boyd elbowed me rather too hard in the ribs to reclaim my attention. "Did you hear what Lennox did?" he whispered. "It's a trick. He seems to be betting he can win that endgame, but actually he's only claiming that he can queen the pawn! That means that if Julian forces the pawn through to queen, even if he immediately loses it and the game itself would be drawn, he would still win the bet as it was stated!"

"I see what you mean," I nodded.

"Shouldn't we inform Hiram of this fact before he agrees to bet? A hundred bucks is, well, a hundred bucks!"

Yet for some unfathomable reason I saw it differently. "Let's see what happens," I whispered back, not really knowing why.

"Well?" Julian pressed.

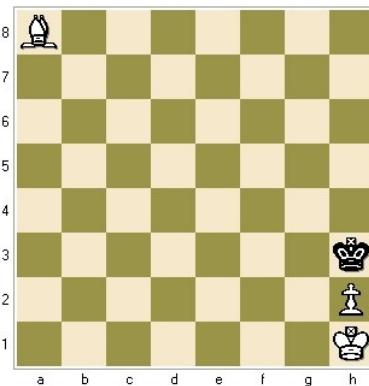
**L**ike a submarine periscope breaching the surface, Hiram Gregory's gaze finally rose from the chessmen. "Let me get this straight. All the standard rules of tournament chess are to apply, right? No special conditions, just you and I and, say, two minutes each on a clock with no time delay. Just as if it were the finale of an official game?"

"Exactly," said Julian, his hand still outstretched.

Hiram's long hand shot forward like a flicking tongue, grasping Julian's palm. "You're on," he stated firmly.

I felt Boyd slump against me in despondency. Yet still I remained inexplicably calm. Hiram Gregory could not be that naïve, I thought. But what he had in mind I couldn't comprehend.

The particulars of the wager were quickly agreed. Two minutes a side on Julian's clock with an agreed most favorable starting position for the defender set up on the board:



By this time a number of club members had concluded their quad games and filtered in from the playing hall. And hearing what was up, they began to crowd around the TD table to witness this heavyweight joust. "Quiet, please," said Hiram Gregory to quell the murmurings of the masses before his finger gently pressed the plunger on his side of the clock.

Julian Lennox paused a full ten seconds for effect before beginning the early stage of the drama which otherwise passed fairly rapidly: 1. Kh1-g1 Kh3-h4 2. Kg1-g2 Kh4-g4 3. Ph2-h3+ Kg4-h4 4. Ba8-e4 Kh4-h5 5. Kg2-g3 Kh5-g5 6. Ph3-h4+ Kg5-h5 7. Be4-f3+ Kh5-g6 8. Kg3-g4 Kg6-h6 9. Ph4-h5 Kh6-h7 10. Kg4-g5 Kh7-g7 11. Ph5-h6+ Kg7-h7 12. Bf3-e4+ Kh7-h8 13. Kg5-f6

Boyd leaned over my way. "Julian's just toying with him now," he said through the side of his mouth. "He could play the pawn to h7 right away and queen it the next move when Hiram's king has to vacate h8."

This was certainly true, and I shrugged at Boyd in acknowledgment. From this point Julian's play became slower, as if he had momentous decisions to make at each turn. Hiram continued to play quickly as he had no choice at all.

13. ... Kh8-g8 14. Kf6-g6 Kg8-h8 15. Kg6-h5 Kh8-g8 16. Be4-d5+ (Julian audibly called this check as if it meant something.) 16 .... Kg8-h8 17. Bd5-f7 Kh8-h7 18. Bf7-g6+ ("Check.") 18. ... Kh7-h8 19. Bg6-d3 Kh8-g8 20. Bd3-f5 Kg8-h8 21. Bf5-c2 Kh8-g8

And now came the moment of truth. Having let his time dwindle to just a few seconds Julian thwacked that rook pawn down on h7, bellowing a resounding "Check!" 22. Ph6-h7+ Of course Hiram stepped over in front of the pawn, 22. ... Kg8-h8 and then, with insulting subtlety, Julian pinkie pushed his bishop back one.

### 23. Bc2-b1

Hiram Gregory's big head leaned way over the board and he pondered. And pondered. There was only one legal move available to him and yet he pondered. Ten seconds left. Nine. Eight. A wavering hand hovered over the cornered king, then withdrew. Three. Two...

Finally throwing up his hands, Hiram exhaled loudly. "OK, I resign," he huffed.

Julian Lennox flashed a satisfied smirk. "You owe me one hundred bucks"

The gallery began to murmur again. Boyd and I glanced at each other in disbelief. Was I wrong about Hiram Gregory's acuity?

But then Hiram's big eyes focused straight on Julian, and with a clear, even voice he spoke. "No, it is *you* that owes *me* one hundred dollars."

"Whatty a mean?" protested Julian. "I'm going to queen my pawn next move which is all I bet that I could do. I win!"

"The salient phrase there is 'next move,'" said Hiram. "The fact is you have *not* promoted the pawn yet, and since I resigned there are no more moves in the game for you to do so. You have failed to do what you bet you could. You lose."

Julian became even more agitated. "But that's not fair! I won the game. You resigned!"

"I resigned, yes," stated Hiram, "But that was not the bet. The bet was that you would queen the pawn during a *real game simulation*, which as I had you stipulate, meant that *all* the usual rules of orthodox tournament chess apply, including touch move, not distracting the opponent, and of course, resignation. We both played by those rules and you didn't queen during our game. So I win."

All that came from Julian's mouth now was sputtering denials. So Hiram appealed to the assemblage to buttress his case while still ostensibly speaking to Julian. "Think about it. If you would have run out of time would I not have won the bet? If you had *stalemated* me, which was at least a theoretical possibility, would I not have won the bet? Had *you yourself* resigned would I not have won the bet? In what way does my resigning not also win the bet for me?"

The Asian kids joined by some others cooed "Ooh" in unison.

I smiled with raised eyebrows at Boyd seeing that my unexplainable faith in Hiram Gregory had been vindicated. And Boyd was led to comment, “I guess I have to amend my assessment on who was toying with who.”

Mumbling more than a few obscenities Julian scooped up his chess equipment satchel and made a hasty beeline toward the door. “I’ll accept ten dollars a week,” Hiram called over as his vanquished foe disappeared into the snowy darkness. As was often the case in my experience, those who set out to deliberately humiliate another suffer their own humiliation worst of all.

Hiram glanced over his shoulder at Boyd and me, his expression softening by the moment. “And if he apologized I would forgive his debt altogether.” That wasn’t likely to happen given who we were dealing with. I figured it might even be the last time we saw Julian Lennox at the Caissa’s Chosen Chess Club. And so far I have been correct.

“That was really clever of Hiram,” remarked Boyd who appreciated such traits more than most.

“Yes,” I said, “it played out like a finely designed chess problem.”

“But a flawed one. The solution has a dual,” said Boyd. “Had Hiram let his clock entirely run out and lost by forfeit he would *also* have won the bet, right?”

I had to agree with my witty pal. The whole time trouble suspense thing was entirely bogus.

Boyd continued. “This incident seems to refute that tired adage that no one has ever won a game by resigning.”

Now I thought it was my turn for a correction. “Well, Hiram *lost* the game of chess but he *won* the bet.”

“I was not referring to the *chess* game, Ray,” Boyd pointed out. Caught me again.

So that is the tale of Hiram Gregory and the Endgame Wager, a story I felt compelled to chronicle in these pages. And as I pointed out at the start, this was merely the *first* time I had encountered Hiram Gregory’s extreme awareness and cleverness. It would not be the last.

## Friscoe Submits a Game from 2015 King’s Island

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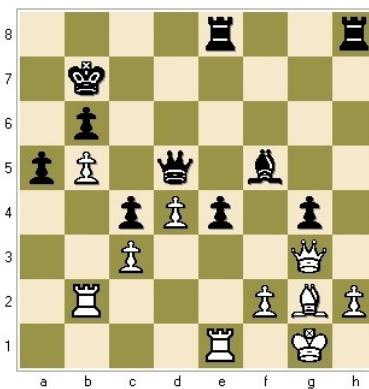
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### 24. Ra1

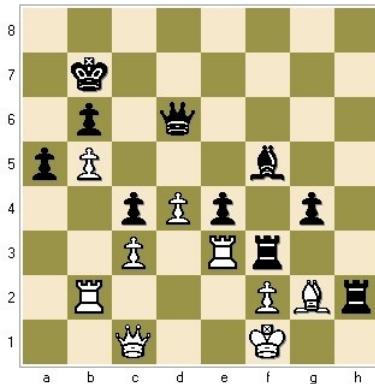
White might survive with 24. Nxe4 Kb8 25. Nd2 Qxe1+ 26. Rxe1 Rxe1+ 27. Nf1+. Now his queen gets hounded completely out of play.

24. ... a6 25. Qb3 Na5 26. Qd1 c6 27. b4 Nc4 28. Nxe4 dxc4 29. Rc1 Qf7 30. Ra1 Bg6 31. Qd2 Qd5 32. Qe3 Rh8 33. Rab1 h4 34. b5 cxb5 35. axb5 a5 36. Rb2 hxg3 37. Qxg3 Bf5



Both players need to be concerned about king safety now.

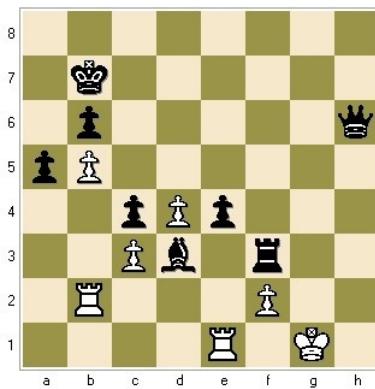
38. Kh1 Reg8 39. Kg1 Rh3 40. Qf4 Rf3 41. Qc1 Qd6 42. Re3 Rh8 43. Kf1 Rxh2



### 44. Kg1

Not 44. Bxf3, which would allow a nice mating combination with 44. ... exf3 45. Ke1 Rh1+ 46. Kd2 Rxc1 47. Kxc1 Qa3 48. Rxf3 Qa1+ 49. Kd2 Qxb2+ 50. Ke3 Qc1+ 51. Ke2 Qc2+ 52. Kf1 gxf3 53. Kg1 Qd2 54. D5 Qg5+ 55. Kf1 Qc1#. The capture on g2 will be very unpleasant for White.

44. ... Qh6 45. Re1 Rg2+ 46. Kxg2 Qh3+ 47. Kg1 g3 48. Qd2 g2 49. Qh6 Qxh6 50. Kxg2 Bh3+ 51. Kh1 Bf1+ 52. Kg1 Bd3

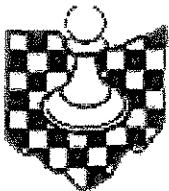


The score sheet says Black won 10 moves later. You may find a faster path, since you do not have to move, punch the clock, and write the move down, etc.

### Congress Cross Tables Update

The cross table for the 1990 Ohio Chess Congress, in which Nachum Salman and Steve Wygle tied for the title, has been retrieved and data entered into the spreadsheet. The chess archaeologists who are looking through their more recent collections should now focus on the 1978 (Dayton) and 1982 (Lima) events. As always, thank you for your assistance and moral support.

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**HOTELS:** We were unable to obtain a group rate, so inquire at the area hotels for room rate, and check the internet for rates and proximity. Downtown is about 3 miles from playing site. There is a big event at OSU Stadium this weekend, so book your accommodations as early as possible.

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## Ohio Tournaments

### MAR. 12 Toledo March 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 3/10, \$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.

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### MAR. 18 DCC Friday Nite Quick #11 (QC)

4SS, G/24, increment 5. 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.

### MAR. 19 2016 Ohio Elementary Championship

5SS, G/30 d5 except Championship sections which the last round is G/45 d5. 5 separate Sections. Open to students enrolled in Ohio schools in grades K-6 or home schooled in Ohio. Hilton Garden Inn, 700 Beta Dr., Cleveland, OH 44143. EF: \$30 if received by March 13th \$40 after. Low income students \$10 by March 13th \$15 after. No on-site registrations. Awards: Trophies to all scoring 3.5 or more, top five teams each section. All participants will receive medals. See website for full details. Contact: Mike Joelson, 216-321-7000, mdjoelson@progresswithchess.org Info/Forms: www.progresswithchess.org

### MAR. 19-20 MOTCF: Midwest Open Team Chess Festival

5SS, Rd.1 G/90 d5, Rds. 2-5 40/90, SD/60 d5. Four players/team plus one Alternate. LIMIT 40 teams. Location: Dayton Chess Club - 18 West Fifth St – Dayton, OH 45402. Team (March) ratings for pairings determined by average of highest four ratings with imputed ratings for players rated more than 400 points below team avg. Reg.: Fri Mar 13, 8pm-11pm & Sat Mar 14, 9-10am. Rds.: Sat 10:30, 2:00, 7:30, Sun 10 & 3:30. EF: \$200/team if mailed or online prior to Mar 13, then \$260/team including Fri/Sat at site. Prizes (GTD): 1st \$1,600, 2nd \$1,300, U2000: \$1200, U1800: \$1100, U1600 \$1000. Top boards (1-4) \$100. Hotel: TBD – please check DCC online. Registration Form: Include all team members, ratings, ID numbers, and board order (switches limited to 50 rating points), please use online

entry form if mailing entry. If registering at [www.DaytonChessClub.com](http://www.DaytonChessClub.com) use entry form provided. MC/V at site, no cks. Individuals may sign up for “ad hoc” teams. Information email DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net or call 937.461.6283, or check [www.DaytonChessClub.com](http://www.DaytonChessClub.com).

### MAR. 25 DCC Friday Nite Quick #12 (QC)

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### MAR. 26 Cincy Tornado - Chess is Art, Sport and Science

Cincy Tornado Always Last Saturday of Month. 2 Sections: OPEN & Under 1600. 4-SS, G/60 d5. Reg. ends 9:45am. 1st Rd: 10am. EF: \$33 if paid online/\$38 at site. OGPrix Event/OCA deduct \$3. Masters above 2200 EF only \$20. Open b/15: \$150-\$75; Class Prizes based on entries. Master Bounty Prize: Best Upset 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. First Baptist Church, 11195 Winton Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45218. DELICIOUS HOT FOOD. CHESS VENDOR ON SITE. Side Event: Master’s Lettuce Match held Friday March 25th see website [www.chessearth.com](http://www.chessearth.com) email: info@chessearth.com. Cincy Tornado Always Last Saturday of Month.

### APR. 1 DCC Friday Nite Quick #13 (QC)

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### APR. 1-3 OR 2-3 52nd Cincinnati Open

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Hilton Garden Inn, 5300 Cornell Rd., Blue Ash, OH 45242. 4SS, Sections: Open, U2100, U1700, U1300. Players may choose to play up one section only. Time Control: G/150 d10 except 2-day rds 1&2 G/75 d5. Prizes: Open: \$600-450-350-250, top under 2200 \$225-175; U2100: \$450-350-250-180; U1700: \$350-250-180-140; U1300: \$225-150-125-100; prizes based on 100 paid entries, else proportional. (No unrated may win more than the third-place prize amount except in Open.) Entry fee: Advance \$99, must be received by March 30; onsite \$110; re-entry \$50. \$10 loyalty discount for those who played in 2015 Cincinnati Open; \$3 discount for current Ohio Chess Association members. Free entry to GMs/IMs; \$99 deducted from prize. Advance registration: Mail entries to Cincinnati Open, 9180 Pinewood Dr., Loveland, OH 45140 or enter online at [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com). Onsite registration: Friday, April 1 5:30-6:30; Saturday, April 2 9:00-9:30. 3-day schedule: Friday 7:00, Saturday 10:00 and 5:00, Sunday 9:00 and 3:00. 2-day schedule: Saturday 10:00 and 1:00, then merge with 3-day. Byes: Maximum two half-point byes, must commit before 4:30 pm Saturday. HR: \$99/king bed, \$105/two queen beds. Reserve by Friday, March 18, 2016 to ensure rate and room. For reservations, call 513-469-6900, reference code “CSC”, or use link on our website to book online. Bring sets and clocks. Complete information, including online and mail registration forms, at [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com). Questions: Alan Hodge 513-600-9915, a.hodge195@gmail.com.

#### **APR. 8 DCC Friday Nite Quick #14 (QC)**

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#### **APR. 15-16 & APR. 22-23 Dayton Chess Club 56th Championship**

6SS, 40/90, SD/60 +30. USCF rated Open Tournament. FIDE Rated. Reg.: ends Apr 15, 7:45 p.m. EF: \$25 adv/\$40 after Apr 8. Rds. 1-3: Apr 15/16 - 8pm, 10:30am, 5:30pm. Apr 22/23 Rds. 4-6: 8pm, 10:30am, 5:30pm. Must be DCC mbr for 1+ month. Trophies: 1st/2nd, u2000: 1st/2nd, u1600: 1st/2nd, u1200: 1st/2nd. Register at [www.DaytonChessClub.com](http://www.DaytonChessClub.com) or at DCC or mail to Dayton Chess Club, 18 W. 5th St., Dayton, OH 45402. More Info: Email DCC.18W5@sbcglobal.net or call 937-461-6283.

#### **APR. 23-24 Ohio High School and Middle School Championships**

6SS; Sections: High School Championship (9-12 Open), High School Reserve (9-12 U1000), Middle School Championship (K-8 Open), Middle School Reserve (K-8 U800). Championship sections rds. 1-3 G/60 d5, rds. 4-6 G/90 d5; Reserve sections all rds. G/60 d5. Championship sections open only to students residing in Ohio or enrolled in Ohio schools or home-schooled in Ohio. Venue: Roberts Centre, 123 Gano Rd., Wilmington, OH 45177 (at I-71 exit 50). Connected Holiday Inn, reservations 937-283-3200, specify chess for \$119 room rate. EF: \$39 through Apr. 8, then \$44. Enter by mail or online at [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com). No onsite registration. All entries must be received by April 21. Awards: Trophies to all players scoring at least 4.0; team trophies to top 5 teams in each section. Complete information at: [www.chesscincinnati.com](http://www.chesscincinnati.com). Contact: Alan Hodge 513-600-9915, [a.hodge195@gmail.com](mailto:a.hodge195@gmail.com).

#### **MAY 14 Toledo May 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 5/12, \$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 Willowyck Rd., Maumee, OH 43537. 419-367-9450.

#### **JUNE 17-19 OR 18-19 2016 Columbus Open**

TROPHIES PLUS GRAND PRIX POINTS: 100 (ENHANCED) 5-SS, G/30/90, SD/60 d5 (2-day schedule, rds. 1 -2 G/90 d5), Over \$8000 IN PRIZES, UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED. All rounds will be played at the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43210, on the Ohio State University campus. Parking is \$7/day at nearby campus parking garages. 3 sections: Open, open to all. G \$1500, 1000, 600, 500, 400; U2000, \$600, 400; Premier, open to 1799/below: \$600, 400; U1600: \$600, 400; Reserve, open to 1399/below: \$600, 400. All EF: \$100 if rec'd by 6/13/2016. \$110 at site. Free to Sr. Master/above who complete their schedule. A discount of \$3.00 for OCA membership. 3-day schedule: Reg. Ends Fri. 6:00 p.m., Rds: Fri. 6:30 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m., 5:00 p.m.; Sun. 9:00 a.m., 3 p.m. 2-day schedule: Reg. Ends Sat. 9:30 a.m. Rd. 1 at 10 a.m. and Rd. 2 at 1:30 p.m., then merges with 3-day schedule. Re-entry: \$20. Any player who loses Fri. night may re-enter for \$20 and loss will not count in tournament standings! One 1/2-pt. Bye available in Rds. 1-4 (request required prior to Rd. 1). Unrated players may play in any section. \$25 upset prize each section. HOTELS: We were unable to obtain a group rate, so inquire at the area hotels for room rate, and check the internet for rates and proximity. Downtown is about 3 miles from playing site. There is a big event at OSU Stadium this weekend, so book your accommodations as early as possible. ENT: To register online at websites: [www.centralchessclub.com](http://www.centralchessclub.com). Or [www.buckeyechess.com](http://www.buckeyechess.com). To register by mail, send to Lou Friscoe, 1623 Glenn Ave., Columbus, OH 43212. Inquires: (614) 486-6856 or (614) 228-8111. Entry forms available at [www.centralchessclub.com](http://www.centralchessclub.com).

#### **SEP. 2-5 2016 Ohio Chess Congress**

7SS with 2-day, 3-day, and 4-day schedules. Sections: Open; Premier (1400 - 1999); Reserve (100 - 1399). Byes: Two ( $\frac{1}{2}$  point each) must commit before Round 4. Location: The Ohio State University, Ohio Union Playing Hall. Entry Fees: \$100 by August 28, after that \$115. Watch for details, but start planning now. Web site: <http://www.buckeyechess.com>.

#### **SEP. 10-11 Golden Buckeye Senior & Adult**

5SS; 3 rounds Saturday; 2 rounds Sunday. Sections: Senior Championship (age 50 and up); Young'uns (age 18-49), and Mixed U1600 (all ages). Byes: One ( $\frac{1}{2}$  point) rounds 1 - 4, must commit by end of round 2. Location: Salt Fork State Park, Lodge, 14755 Cadiz Road, Lore City, OH. Entry Fees: \$40 by August 29, after that \$50. Watch for details, but start planning now. Web site: [www.neilley.com/chess](http://www.neilley.com/chess).

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## MOTCF

**March 19-20, 2016**

5 Rd Swiss, Round 1 G/90, Rounds  
2–5 40/90, SD/60

See calendar, flyer in this issue for  
details

Four players/team plus one alternate  
permitted

## 52<sup>nd</sup> Cincinnati Open

**April 1–3, 2016**

5 Rd Swiss, G/150, d10 except 2-day  
Schedule, Rds 1 and 2 G/75, d5

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details

Sections: Open, U2100, U1700, and  
U1300

## 2016 Columbus Open

**June 17–19, 2016**

5 Rd Swiss, 30/90, SD/60 except 2-  
day Schedule Rds 1 and 2 G/90

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