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TCA on Facebook!

Dear Texas Chess Players,

TCA now has a fan page on Facebook! We hope this will facilitate communication and interaction with Texas Chess Players.

* Any Facebook member can become a fan of the Texas Chess Association
* Any fan can quickly and easily add content to the page’s wall including links to tournament results, photos, events, news and links to tournament results
* We are considering moving more of our published content on-line. This fan-page will allow us to do so and reach a new audience.

To become a fan, visit our Facebook page and click on 'become a fan'.

Regards,
Clemente Rendon

2010 US Class and Junior Open coming to Houston

NTD Francisco Guadalupe writes:

In my continuing efforts to bring more chess to the State of Texas, I submitted bids for the 2010 US Class and 2010 US Junior Open Championships. Both of these are considered National events. I am pleased to inform you that yesterday, Bill Hall, the Executive Director of the USCF, awarded me both events! Of course, in order to continue this trend of having prestigious tournaments in our area, we need good attendance. To that end, I am soliciting your support in spreading the word. For those of you who have weekend chess events near the Houston area, I am also asking that you consider not scheduling conflicting events.

As you may or may not know, the class winners of both events are considered National Champions and listed as such in the USCF Annual Yearbook. As always, there will also be articles on CLO and Texas Knights about them.

Both events will take place at the Hilton Houston Hobby Airport, so they will be very convenient to those flying in!

The US Junior Open will take place July 23-25 and the US Class on October 1-3. So…mark your calendars and, again, spread the word!


See Chess Life or texaschess.org for more details.

Gareev, Bachmann and Yang top strong South Houston Open

The South Houston Open (Feb. 12-14) drew 116 players to the Houston Hilton Clear Lake. The strong 30-player Open section ended in a three-way tie among GM Timur Gareev, GM Axel Bachmann and FM Darwin Yang, each with 4-1. Tied for 4th-5th prizes with 3.5. were GM Alejandro Ramirez, IM John Bartholomew, FM Max Cornejo, IM Alfonso Almeida and IM Aibek Iskakov. Top U2200 honors were shared by Bob Shao, Matthew Michaelides, Bryan Vaughan, Rene Phillips and Naveen Balakrishnan, each with 3.0.

Leo Bonnell won the Under 2000 clear with 4-1, ahead of Aleksandar Karaivanov, Moshe Maar Danil Safin and Robert Schuckhart with 3.5.

In U1800, Sam Capocyan and Brian Whipple tied for first with 4. Tied for 3rd-5th were Jesus Sanchez, Cornelius Jones and John Schulke with 3.5.

Rohit Bhatta won the U1600 with 4.5, ahead of Joel Pallapati, Christopher Chen and Michael Alvarez with 4.

Usman Qureshi and Songjie Liu tied with 4 to top the U1300 section.

NTD Franc Guadalope directed for Cajun Chess, assisted by Jean Troendle.
Edward James Olmos visits UTB/TSC to talk chess

BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS – FEBRUARY 17, 2010 –  
Actor and activist Edward James Olmos visited Browns-
ville on Tuesday, Feb. 16, to generate support for a film  
project on the development of chess in this border city. 
He represented the Pasadena, Calif.-based Foundation for Advancements in Science and Education to discuss the “Kings of Brownsville” documentary being produced by Higher Ground Entertainment. The film will include interviews and footage from Brownsville Russell Elementary School’s chess students winning in local, state and national tournaments. 

“It was an inspirational moment in time,” Olmos told about 400 students, staff and area residents at an evening lecture at the Student Union – Gran Salon. 
He said the development of chess at Morningside Elementary School and its spreading to other schools has helped make Brownsville one of the top producers of chess players in the nation.

Olmos said chess is a beautiful game that can inspire.  
“You are there and do one thing only – to see how much you know about this game,” said Olmos. “It’s a game that challenges the player and opponent. It never gives you a break.”

Olmos said he wished he played chess as much as baseball when he was growing up in East Los Angeles. 

“It’s more conducive to exercising the mind more than the body,” he said.
J.J. Guajardo, a former coach of Brownsville Russell Elementary School’s chess team and now a social studies coordinator for the Mission Consolidated Independent School District, said Olmos’ visit gave legitimacy to the documentary project.

“It showed that this is a true and worthy enterprise and that what the students, the parents, the University and the community as a whole have been able to accomplish are much more than just success; it’s about a community exceeding all expectations and going beyond the norm,” said Guajardo, a UTB/TSC alumnus. “And, this is a phenomenon that should be celebrated, acknowledged and recognized in its proper context.”

Olmos also gave insights to audience questions at his evening lecture:
On science fiction films receiving attention from the Academy Awards: “‘District 9’ is a very interesting and important film, especially when you are talking about integration and other people’s opinions toward one another.”

On advice for Hispanic film makers: “Don’t ever stop now. Now is the best time to get into this art form.”

Lecture attendee Abel A. Guerra III, 24, a criminal justice major from Brownsville, said he cherished the opportunity to see Olmos.

“We are not used to seeing actors in Brownsville,” Guerra said. “I take every opportunity to come to such events of this caliber.”

Earlier in the day, Olmos spoke to area media at a press conference at Brownsville – South Padre Island International Airport and appeared before board members of the Brownsville Independent School District.

Olmos, a California native, began in music when he was a teenager but studied acting while in college. His stage and television roles have included El Pachuco in the musical stage production “Zoot Suit” and as Lt. Martin Castillo on “Miami Vice” in the mid to late 1980s. He most recently played Admiral William Adama on the science fiction show “Battlestar Galactica.”

Olmos has also been successful in movies, with roles in “Blade Runner,” “Stand and Deliver” and “Selena.” He will play the role of Michael Axford in “The Green Hornet” set for release later this year.

Some of his work has gone beyond the camera. Olmos is a United States Goodwill Ambassador for UNICEF and is involved in the UCLA School of Film and Theater, the Southwest Voter Registration Project and the Miami Children’s Hospital. The National Council of Space Directors has a literary scholarship fund in his name.

From UTB/TSC Online: www.utb.edu/newsinfo/
TCA Minutes

Texas Chess Association met at the Texas Scholastic Chess Championships on Saturday, February 20, 2010, Clemente Rendon presiding.

President Rendon honored the memory of Rob Sturgeon, TCA Secretary who passed away on January 11, 2010.

Motion made by Forest Marler and seconded that reading the minutes of the previous meeting be waived. Motion carried.

The Financial Report was published in the last Texas Knights. Motion made by Eddie Rios and seconded that the reading of the financial report be waived. Motion carried.

President’s Report

Reports and funds have been received from the regional tournaments, which built good momentum toward the state tournament. However, numbers at the state tournament have decreased. There have not been any requests for TCA-sponsored events so far. A few cases have been referred to the Scholastic Committee. Texas Knights has been published on time, the website has been kept updated with the limited information made available to TCA.

Old Business

President Rendon read motions that were passed at the Fall meeting.

The Board was requested to prepare a plan to appoint delegates to the annual USCF membership meeting. Options include:

1) Current governance of TCA (Board, committees) select delegates
2) Appoint a new position in TCA with the responsibility of selecting delegates
3) Ask for volunteers using a first-come, first-selected, with a waiting list and an August/September window for volunteering
4) Add a write-in spot on the officer ballot
5) Members at the Southwest Open meeting nominate and elect the delegates

Discussion included setting criteria and perhaps a ranking system, especially if using the volunteer option. Members were reminded that the delegates are the Board of Directors of USCF. Whichever process is chosen will need to be added to the TCA Bylaws, and will need to be ready for the Fall meeting to be incorporated immediately so delegates can be selected at that meeting.

There was a question about a motion from a previous meeting which allowed 11th and 12th grades to be combined into one section at the State Grades tournament. Clarification was given that the motion stated that 11th and 12th grades may be combined.

New Business

There were no advance motions.

Motion was made by Clemente Rendon on behalf of Lakshmana Viswanath and seconded by Eddie Rios to award the 2010 Southwest Open to Lakshmana Viswanath, with TCA to pay $3000 to secure the location and be paid back from the profit on the tournament. Motion carried.

There was discussion about giving a stipend to another tournament since there is no Polgar tournament this year.

Motion was made by Bob James and seconded to nominate Stephanie Ballom to fill the vacant TCA Secretary position. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Bob James and seconded that, if sections at the State Grades tournament are merged, the organizer will provide individual trophies for each grade level. Team trophies will be left to the discretion of the organizer. Motion carried.

Bob James moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy James, acting secretary

Solution (back cover problem) 1.Bh8 (1…Kf7 2.Qe8#; 1…Kh6 2.Qg5#; 1…h6 2.Qf5#; 1…h5 2.Qg7#)
2010 Texas Scholastic Championships

The Texas Scholastic and Southwest Collegiate championships drew 1,049 players to the Sheraton Dallas. The numbers were down from last year by 350 players, no surprise given that the event was held Feb. 20-21, three weeks before spring break. NTD Francisco Guadalupe headed the TD staff, with Gary Gaiffe supervising the middle school divisions. Section chiefs were Fred Roper, Ben Wheeler, Eddie Rios, Rob Jones, Nam Van Nguyen, Stephanie Ballom, Jamie Jones, Tony Meza, Thomas Boone, Criselda DeLeon and Dan DeLeon. Floor TDs were Glenn Baumann, Feliciano Delapaz, Astrid Santoyo, Miguel Guajardo and Victor Flores.

Sponsors included The University of Texas at Dallas, and the Texas Chess Association. Chief TD was Francis Guadalupe, assisted by Victor Flores. Luis Salinas worked the MonRoi uplink for the Collegiate section.

Southwest Collegiate Championship
(21 players, 5 rounds. TD: Fred Roper)
1 GM Axel Bachmann 2602UTB 4.0
2 IM Jacek Stopa 2575UTD 4.0
3 GM Timur Gareev 2633UTB 4.0
4 NM Tyler Hughes 2337UTD 4.0
5 IM Marko Zivanic 2527 UTD 3.5
6 NM Tautvydas Vedrickas 2252UTD 3.0
7 GM Amon Simutowe 2454UTD 3.0
8 WIM Nadya Ortiz 2216UTB 3.0

Southwest Collegiate Team
1 UT-Dallas 14.5 pts.
2 UT-Brownsville/TSC 13.5

High School Championship
(90 players, 7 rounds. TD: Ben Wheeler)
1 Bob Shao 7.0 Clements Sugarland
2 Matthew Michaelides 6.0 Bellaire Houston
3 William C. Ong 6.0 Bellaire Houston
4 Arnold Liao 5.5 TAMU Denton
There was a massive 15-way tie for fifth place with 5-2: Jason Jia, Joseph Wong, George Qi, Matthew Liu, Kevin Chandra, Dion Su, Andrew Nguyen, Sean Li, Jeff Feng, Avinash Thangirala, Vincent Madsen, Andrew Widener, Courtney Jamison, Titus Shanks, and Seth Thompson.

High School Team
1 Bellaire Houston 21.5
2 Westwood Austin 20.0
3 Hanna Brownsville 16.0
4 Klein Spring 16.0

High School JV (U1000)
(87 players, 7 rounds. TD: Eddie Rios)
1 Raymond Xue 6.5 Klein Spring
2 Chris Ashley 6.0 Marble Falls Marble Falls
3 Blake Matthus 6.0 Lake Country Fort Worth
4 Michelle Valdiviez 6.0 J.M. Hanks El Paso
5 Duke Howard 6.0 Mexia Mexia

High School JV Team
1 Klein Spring 20.0
2 Sharyland Mission 18.5
3 Mexia Mexia 18.5
4 North High School Edinburg 18.0
5 Marble Falls Marble Falls 18.0

Middle School Championship
(109 players, 7 rounds. TD: Rob Jones)
1 Akshay Malhotra 6.0 Universal Acad. Coppell
2 Jeffrey Hung 6.0 Vela Brownsville
3 Sylvia Yang 6.0 PFOWLR
4 Derek Chang 6.0 Canyon Vista Austin
5 James Ukoli 5.5 Vela Brownsville
6 Perry Johnson 5.5 Idea Quest Edinburg
7 Christian Leos 5.5 CCHAAS
8 Christopher Koenig 5.5 North JH Sharyland

Middle School Team
1 Vela Brownsville 21.5
2 Canyon Vista Austin 19.0
3 Idea Quest Academy Weslaco 16.0
4 Faulk Brownsville 15.5

Middle School JV (U900)
(76 players, 7 rounds. TD: Nam Van Nguyen)
1 Christian Roxburgh 7.0 South MS Edinburg
2 Teodoro Mendez 6.0 Coakley Harlingen
3 Nicholas Martinez 6.0 B.L. Gray Sharyland
4 Nathan Garcia 5.5 South MS Edinburg
5 Dustin Da Lac 5.5 B.L. Gray Sharyland
6 Aaron Delgado 5.5 B.L. Gray Sharyland

Middle School JV Team
1 B.L. Gray Sharyland 22.0
2 South MS Edinburg 21.0
3 Coakley Harlingen 20.0

Full results at swchess.com
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Eighteen teams (77 players) played in the 2010 Texas Team Championship, held Jan. 9-10 in Austin. This is probably the largest turnout ever for this event, and certainly the largest in the USCF's online database, which goes back to 1992.

First place ($500 + trophy) went to "Your Queen Wants to Mate Me", a Houston-based team captained by NM Alex Chua. They scored 4-0, a half-point ahead of Austin's "Barely Legall", led by FM Michael Langer.

In the under-1900 section, "Austin Powers" took first with 3 points. The Team Championship has traditionally been a 4-round event, but with more than 16 teams in the field, a 5-round schedule would guarantee that two teams don't each finish with perfect scores. Also, in this year's event, the first and second place teams never faced each other.

Thanks to TD Lori Balkum for an extremely well-run event!

Board prizes:

- Board 1 - FM Michael Langer (4.0)
- Board 2 - Seth Thompson (4.0)
- Board 3 - Bob Shao (3.5)
- Board 4 - Josh Newsham, Arindam Raina, Matthew Michaelides (3.5)

A bizarre mishap occurred in Rd. 3, as Richard Ketcham (2220) was coasting to a sure endgame win against Joe Binder (1900):
11.Bh3 b4 [11...Ne5=] 12.Nce2 d5 13.g5

13...hxg5

13...dxe4!? 14.gxf6 exf3 15. fxg7 Bxg7 16.Ng3 Qxh4 17.0–0–0±; 13...Ng8 14.g6 e5 15.gxf7+ Kxf7 16.Ne6 Qxh4+ 17.Kd1±; □13...Nh7!
14.exd5 Bxd5 15.Nf4 Ne5=
14.hxg5 Ng8 15.g6 Rxc3

15...Nh7+ Kxf7 17.Rxh3 e5 18.Nf5 d4?

19.Bg5 Ng6 20.Qd3 Qc7?
20...Ne5 21.Qa4+ Ne6 22. 0–0–0—
21.Qb3+ Kg6 22.Nh4+ Kxg5 23. Qf7 Bxe4 24.fxe4 1–0

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Sicilian Scheveningen B89
Alex Chua 2265
Your Queen Wants to Mate Me
Alexander Balkum 2173
Barely Legal
Texas Team 2010 (2)

22...Rxb4!  →  23.Rxd4 exd4+  0–1

**Sicilian Scheveningen B89**
Mark Dejmek 2141
Full of Benoni
Jonathan Chiang 1936
Dallas Chess Fireworks
Texas Team 2010 (2)

8.Qe2 Qc7 9.0–0–0 Be7 10.Bb3 Bd7 11.g4 Nxd4 12.Rxd4 h5
[12...Bc6 13.g5 Nf7] 13.g5 Ng5?! 14.Rad1 e5
20.Bb6+ Ke8 21.Nxe7+ 1–0

**King’s Indian E95**
Drew Sarkisian 2138
Barely Legall
Yuri Mirgorodsky 1916
The Siberian Gambit
Texas Team 2010 (2)

1.Nf3 Nc6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.d4 Nbd7 6.Be2 0–0 7.0–0 e5
14.Rad1 a6 15.Qf2 Rab8 16.Qh4 Ne6 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Nxd4
Qb4 25.Qb2+ f6 26.Red1 h5 27. axb5 axb5 28.Rd4 Qa5 29.Ra1
Qb6 30.Bd3 Rb8 31.Qf2 c5 32. dx6 Qxe6 33.Rb4 Ba6 34.Qd4
Bc6 40.Rxd6 Bxe4 41.Rxb6 Bxd3

42.Raa6 Re1+ 43.Kf2 Re2+ 44.Kg3
Rb2 45.Ra7+ Kh6 46.Rd7 Bf1 47. f4 Rxf2+ 48.Kf3 Rh2 49.Rxf6 Be4
50.h4 Rxb4 51.h5

51...Rh3+ 52.Kg2 Rh3 53.hxg6
hxg6 54.Rf8 Kh5 55.Rh8+ Kg4
56.Rhxh3 Kxh3 57.Kf3 Kh2 58.
Rd2+ Kh3 59.Rd6 Kh4 60.Rxg6
Rg2 b3 64.Kc3 Kh5 65.Kb2  1–0

**Sicilian Scheveningen B86**
John Durston 1909
The Siberian Gambit
Joshua Newsham 2104
Barely Legall
Texas Team 2010 (2)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4
8.f4 Ne5 9.0–0 Ne4 10.Qf3 Nxc3
11.bxc3 Qd6 12.Qe2 0–0 13.Nf3
Nf6 14.Bg5 Qc7 15.Qf4 Qd8 16.Bf4
Qc8 17.Qg5 Qd8 18.Qxg4

18...Bd6

18...0–0–0! 19.Bxe5 Be5+ 20.
20...d4+ 21.Kh3 Qe7 22.Bxf6 Qxf6
23.Nd1 g5+ 19.Rfe1 0–0–0 20.Bxe5
Bxe5 21.Qxe5 Qb6+ 22.Kf1 Nxh4
22...Rxe8 23.Qd3 d4 24.Rxe8
Rxe8 25.Nd1 Bb5+ 26.Kg2 Rxe2+
27.Kh3 Nh7–+ 23.Rf4 h5 24.h3 d4 25.Ne4 Ne3+
26.Kg1 Bxe4
26...Rxe8 27.Nd6+ Rxd6 28.
Qxd6 d3 29.Kh2
27.Qxe4 Rxe8 28.Qf4 Qe6 29.Qf2
Re5 30.h4 Rxf5 31.Qg3 Rd6
32.Rxe6 dxe6 33.Rxe6 Bxe6

34.Qxe6 Rf8 35.Qd7 Rf7
36.Qxe7 Rf8 37.Bf4 Be8
38.Qxe8+ Kxe8 39.Qxe8 Rf7
40.Qe8+ Kxe8 41.Qd7 Rf7

Bird’s Opening A02
John Bell 2158
Nietzscheans
Jeffrey De Jesus 2225
Your Queen Wants to Mate Me
Texas Team 2010 (2)

1.f4 g6 2.Nf3 e5 3.e3 Bg7 4.Be2 e6
5.0–0 Ne7 6.c3 0–0 7.d4 cxd4
11.Bd2 Qc7 12.Ne3 Nd7 13.Qe1
Nf6 14.Rd1 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5
Qd4 22.Rf2 a6 23.Ba4 b5 24.Bd1 Rae8
25.Kh2 Qd7 26.Rgl Qd8 27.Qg4
fxg4 28.hxg4 Bfx3 29.Bxf3 Ne4
30.Bxe6 Rxe6 31.Qxh8 Rxd8 32.a3
d5 33.Kg3 Rd8 34.Kf3 KB8 35.
Rgg2 Ke7 36.Re2 Kd7 37.Rxe4
dxe4+ 38.Kc3 Ke6 39.f5 g4 40.Rf2
f6 41.Be1 Kd5 42.h3 Bf8 43.a4 Bd6
44.Ra2 Bf4 45.Kc2

36...Nxe3 37.Qxf3
37.fxg3?? Qxg3+ etc.

37...Nf5 38.Ra1 Rf7 39.Rf2
39...d4
So much for the bad bishop.

40.Re2

The precarious position of both knight and queen requires a twofer:
40.Qe2! Qd6 41.Ne4 Qxb4 42.Rb2 d3 43.Rxb4 dxe2 44.Rxc4 Re7 45.f3 c5 46.Kf2 Nd4+; or
40.Qf4! Qd6 41.Qe4 c5 42.dxe5 Qxc5 43.Qe8+ Rf8 44.Qe6+..

40...Qc7 41.Re8

41.Ne4 d3 42.Ree1 c5 43.bxc5 d2 44.Re1 Qc5 45.Qf4 Qxf4 46.gxf4 Bxe4 47.Rxd2 Rc7–+

41...Kg7 42.Ne4
42.Qe4 c5 43.Nd5 Qd6 44.Qe5+ Qxe5 45.Rxe5 Bxd5 46.Rxd5 cxb4 +–

42...Nd6+ 43.Ng5 Rxf3 44.Ne6+ Kf7 45.Nxe7 Nxe8 46.Ra7 e3 47. Nxe8 Kxe8 48.Rxb7 e2 0–1

Caro-Kann B10
Alex Chua 2265
Our Queen Wants to Mate Me
Chris Land 2248
Full of Benoni

1.c4 c6 2.e4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.cxd5

12.Nxd5 exd5
13.Bxh7+ Kxh7 14.Qe2+ Kg8 15. Qxe6 Bf5
16.Bf4 Rc8 17.Qb5 Be4 18.Ne5 Bxe5 19.dxe5 Re5 20.Qb3 Qd7 21.Qg3 Qe6 22.f3 Bc2 23.Bxc3

A sad bishop thus far ...

24.Nd2 Rbe8 25.Nf3 Qf6 26.Ne5 Rxe5 27.dxe5 Qxe5 28.Qd2 f4 29. Ra1 f3 30.Qd4 Qg5 31.g3 Qf5 32. Qd1 Rf7 33.Qb1 Qe5 34.Ra3 Re7 35.h3 Na5 36.Qd3?
Better is 36.Qf1±.
Only slightly better is 42...Qc2+ 43.Rd2 Qe4 44.Re3 Qf4+ 45.Qxf4 Rx4f 46.e6+–
43.f6 Qc2+ 44.Bd2 Kf8 45.Qxg7+ Ke8 46.fxe6+ Kf7 47.Qe7# 1–0

Sicilian Najdorf B96
Michael Langer 2287
Barely Legall
Brad Sawyer 2249
Chess-nuts
Texas Team 2010 (4)
25...Be7 26.Rxg6 e3


Busted!

An alert reader in Austin caught a
bogus solution to the back cover
problem in our Jan.-Feb. issue:
Rauf Aliovsadzade
StrateGems, 2002

White to move, mate in two

The solution printed on p. 12 is wrong. 1.Nb5 mates in most lines, but not against ...Rd8, nor against ...Rd7! If ...Rd8, then, voila, 2.Nc3+ is not mate. 2.Qe1+ is not, and 2. Bfx3 is not (due to the interposition). Furthermore, 2.Rc1+ allows ...Kc2, and 2.Rxd2+ allows simply ...Rd2! Aha! (2.Ne3+, too, allows the K to flee – up to e2!) 1...Rd7, likewise an effective defense to Nb5. stops all the mate in two tries, in rather similar fashion.

The problem itself is fine, however, since 1.Nfx3 solves it neatly!
Here are the main lines: 1... Rx3 2.Rxd2#; 1...Rc2 2.Rc1#; 1...Rd7 2.Qe1#; 1...Rd8 2.Ne5#; 1...Kc2 2.Rxd2#; 1...Rc7 2.Rxc8 2.Rxd2#

Sincerely,
John Bell
GM Alejandro Ramirez scored his third consecutive win in this event with 4.5/5, but this year UTD’s top player had to share the glory with rising star Conrad Holt from Kansas. The 2008 U.S. Cadet champion put his rating over 2400 with this result.

The event, held Jan. 15-17 at the UT Dallas student union, drew 30 players, plus an additional 55 players in the Texas Class Championships, held concurrently. Luis Salinas directed for the Dallas Chess Club.

**PRIZE WINNERS**

**Masters:** 1st: Alejandro Ramirez, Conrad Holt 4.5. 3rd: John Ba-tholenew, 4.0. U2400: Tyler Hughes, Tautvydas Vedrickas, Jarod Pammatat, 3.5. 1st: Jeffrey Xiong, 4.0. 2nd: Jason Jia, 3.5. 3rd: Jeremy T. Hall, 3.0.

**U2000:** 1st: Alex Shaffer, 4.0. 2nd: Anjali Datta, 3.5. 3rd: Suchinder Kalyan, 3.0.

**U1800:** 1st-2nd: Matthew Usset, Chris Malone, 4.0. 3rd: Jordan Pamatmat, Fridrick Karlsson, 3.5. 1st-2nd U1400: Carleton Furbush, Vinay Sateesh, 2.5.

**U1200/1000:** 1st: Michael Nickels, 5.0. 2nd: Segev Eliezer, 4.0. 3rd: Vishnu Yelakanti, Melanie Kneen, 2.5.

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Nd3 Qg5 27.f3 Qe5 28.Rc7 Kh7  
Rf8+ 32.Kg1 Bh4 33. Ngf1  0–1  

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QGD Slav D11  
John Bartholomew 2499  
Arthur Safin 2156  
Texas Masters 2010 (1)  
1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e3 a6  
5.Qb3 e5 6.Nc3 b5 7.e5 Nbd7 8.a4  
Bb7 9.Be2 Be7 10.0–0 0–0 11.Rd1  
Qc7 12.axb5 axb5 13.Rxa8 Rxa8  
Qxe5 17.b4 Bc8 18.Bb2 Bf5 19.  
Qb3 Qe6 20.Bf1 Ne4 21.Nc2 Qd7  
22.f3 Nf6 23.Nd4 Bg6 24.Ra1 Bf7  
25.Rxa8+ Qxa8 26.Qa7 Qb7?  
26...Qc8 27.Bd3+  27.Qa5?? (  
Nd7?)  
27.Qa5 Nd7  
27...Bb8 28.Qb6 Qxb6 29.cxb6  
Nd7 30.b7 Nb7 31.Nxc6++  

28.Bxb5 cxb5 29.c6 Qc8 30.  
Qa7?+  Nf8  
30...Bg5 31.Qxd7 Qxd7 32.cxd7  
Bxc3+ 33.Kf1 Bg5 34.Kc2 Kf8 35.  
Nc6+  
31.Qxe7 f6 32.c7 Be8 33.Qd8 Bd7  
34.Qxe8 Bxe8 35.Nxb5 Ng6 36.Nd6  
Ne7 37.b5  1–0  

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Modern Benoni A61  
Tautvydas Vedicikas 2333  
Alejandro Ramirez 2623  
Texas Masters 2010 (2)  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 c5 3.d5 e6 4.c4 exd5  
5.exd5 d6 6.Nc3 g6 7.Nd2 Bg7 8.  
Ne4 0–0 9.Bf4 Ne8 10.e3 h6 11.  
Be2 Ba6 12.a4 Bxc4 13.Bxc4 a6  
14.e4 Qe7 15.Qe2 Ne7 16.0–0  
Nd7 17.Bg3 Bd4 18.Kh1 Re8 19.Rae1  
Bg3 Qxf3 23.gxf3 Rad8 24.Nc6  
Be5 25.f4 Bxb2 26.f3 b5 27.axb5 axb5  
28.Rh1 bxc4 29.Rxb2 Nh5 30.Bh4  
Rb8 31.Rfh1 Rh3  

Modern Benoni A43  
Mihail Bantic 2260  
Puchen Wang 2531  
Texas Masters 2010 (2)  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 c5 3.d5 g6 4.b3 Bg7  
5.Bb2 0–0 6.g3 b5 7.Bg2 Bb7 8.  
d6 9.0–0 Nbd7 10.Nbd2 Rb8 11.  
Rb1 Ba6 12.Qc2 e6 13.dxe6 fxe6  
14.Ng5 Re8 15.Nde4 Qe7 16.Bh3  
Nf8 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Ne4 Bxb2  
19.Qxb2 e5 20.Rbd1 Red8 21.f4  
Bb7 22.Bg2 Bxe4 23.Bxe4 Nd7  
dxe5 27.Bc6 Ng4 28.Qc3 c4 29.  
Rxd8+ Rxd8
30. Qxe4
30... Qc6 31. h3 Nh6 32. bxc4+ 30... Ne3 31. Qf7 Qxf7 32. Rxf7 Rd1+ 33. Kf2 Rf1+ 34. Kxe3 Rxf7 30... Ne3 31. Qd2 c6 32. Nbd4 32. b4 Rxc2 33. Qxc2 exd4 34. Rb3 Qf4+ 32... Qf6+
32... Qg3! 33. Bg2 Qh2+ 33. Kg2 Rg5 34. e5 dxe5 34... Be2+ 35. Qxg5 Qxg5+ 36. Kxh3 c5++ 35. Kh2 Rd8 36. Qe3 Rf5 37. Bg2 Rf2 37... Nf4 38. Nxc6 Nxe2 39. Kxg2 Bf3++ 38. Rf1 Qh4 39. Qg3
39. Rxf2 Nxf2+ 40. Kg1 Nh3+ 41. Bxh3 Bxh3++

Texas Masters 2010 (2)
39... Rxe4+! [40. Kxe4 Rf2+ ±] 0–1

Texas Masters 2010 (3)

13... Qd7??
The correct 13... Qa6 was played in Land-Langer, Texas Team Rd. 3.
14. Nc4 Ba6 14... Qc7+ 15. Be3 Nd7 16.0–0 Nb6 17. Re1± Cvita-Velimirovic, Vrsc 1989

Texas Masters 2010 (3)

1/2–½
Movses Movsisyan in the Oklahoma Chess Forum writes of this game:

“I let the opening advantage slip and we entered a middlegame where my opponent had the pair of bishops and a mild attack on my king, but I wouldn’t have had the better endgame in any exchange scenario. In other words, it was a roughly equal position in my opinion. Then my opponent went astray and decided to “finish me off” with unjustified complications. I went on to counter-attack that left him a piece down five moves later.”

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**Sicilian Taimanov B47**

Movses Movsisyan 2257
Salvyjus Bercys 2508

**Texas Masters 2010 (3)**


26.Rd1 Kf8 27. Qd8+ Kg7 28.Qg5+ Kh8 29.Qxh5+ Kg7 30.exf5 1–0

There might have followed 30...

Bxf3 31.gxf3 Kf6 32.Ng3 Rg3 [32...Ke7 33.Qh4+] 33.Qh4+=

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**QGD Slav D15**

Babakuli Annakov 2474
Arthur Safin 2156

**Texas Masters 2010 (3)**


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**Dutch Defense A80**

Tautytas Vegriekas 2333
Karina Vazirova 2103

**Texas Masters 2010 (3)**


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**Caro-Kann B13**

Michael Langer 2292
Dachey Lin 2055

**Texas Masters 2010 (3)**


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**Benko Gambit A57**

Tyler Hughes 2447
Alejandro Ramirez 2623

**Texas Masters 2010 (4)**

28...Qc7 29.Nf3
29.Re1 f6 30.Rbd1 fxe5 31.Bxc5 Nxc5 32.Qe4 (32.Kg2 e4) 32...Nxe4 33.Qxe4 Qc5+ 34.Kh1 Qf2 35.Qg2 Qxg2+ 36.Kxg2 e4+

30.Re1
30.Bf2! fx5 31.Ng5 Qc6 32. Re1 Rf5 33.Ne4 Nxe4 34.Qxe4 Qxe4 35.Rxe4 Bf8=

Movsisyan continues: “In round 4 I was paired against another young star: John Bartholomew (2500). The 20-move book line left me with a slightly worse endgame. I defended fairly well, but instead of going for a R+2P vs. R+N+2P, which would have been a clear-cut draw (I’d be able to exchange the pawns), I opted for a weaker continuation that was unclear for humans, but probably a forced win for computers with Black.”


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QGD Slav D18
Mihail Bantic 2260
Conrad Holt 2362

18...Qc7 19.d3 Qc5 19.Ra4 Ne2= Rubinstein-Alekhanine, London 1922

31...Rxf4+ Kg8 32.Kf2 Ke7 33.d6 Bf6 34.Rd2+ Kd6 35...Rxg2+ 36.Kxg2 Rxg2 37.Kf1 Re7 38.Bb5 Rg7 39.Kf2 Rd7 40.Kg1 Ke7 41.Kh1 Rf7 42.Kh2 Kf7 43.Kh3 Kg7 44.Kg3 Nh4 45.Kf3 Rd7 46.Ke2 Kg6 47.Kf4 Rg7 48.Kg5 Rh7 49.Kf6 Kg6 50.Ke5 Rg7 51.Kd4 Kg5 52.Kc3 Kf5 53.Kb4 Ra7 54.Ka4 Rd7 0–1
7.Bxe4 c5 8.Be3 Nd7 9.Qe2 0–0
10.0–0 Qc7 11.c4 exd4 12.Nxd4 a6
13.g3 Nf6 14.Bg2 e5 15.Nf3 Bg4
16.h3 Bh5 [16...Be6 17.b3 Ne4=]
17.g4 Bg6 18.Rf6 f4
18...Rc8 19.Nh4 Qc4 20.Qxc4
23.b3±
19.Bg5 Bxf3 20.Qxf3² Rab8 21.b3
h6 22.Be3 Be5?
22...b6 23.g5 hxg5 24.Bxg5
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Better is 44...Ra6, but White still
wins the knight: 45.h4! b4?
(38...Rd7?? 39.e6+-)
A picturesque plight for the knight!
1–0

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Sicilian Najdorf B96
Michael Langer 2292
Tautvydas Vedrickas 2333

Texas Masters 2010 (4)
Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Nbd7
8.Qd3 Qc7 9.0–0–0 b5 10.Bd3 Bb7
11.Rhe1 Qb6 12.Nd5

12...Qxd4 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Bxb5
Qc5 15.Qxf6+ Kd8 16.Nxd7 Qxb5
17.Nxf8 Rxf8 18.Qa3

Nh7=

Better is 46.hxg6+ Kxg6 47.Rg3 a5
48.Rxa5+ Kg7 49.Rxa5+ Kb7
40.Qxe7+ Rxe7 31.Kxd2 Rd7+ 32.Rd3
Bxd2= 29.Rxd2 Qxe7+ Rxe7 31.Kxd2 Rd7+ 32.Rd3
Bxd2= 29.Rxd2 Qxe7+ Rxe7 31.Kxd2 Rd7+ 32.Rd3

55.Rxg5 e1Q+ 56.Kd4 Rb+ 57.
Kd3 Qd1+ 0–1

Catalan Opening E04
Alejandro Ramirez 2623
John Bartholomew 2499

Texas Masters 2010 (5)
1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6
5.g3 dxe4 6.Bg2 b5 7.0–0 Nbd7
8.e4 Bb7 9.e5 Ndf5 10.Ng5 Be7
11.Qh5 Qd5 12.Qh6 Bf8 13.Qh4 h6
Bxd5 17.exd5 cxd5 18.Rf6+ Rf8
Bd5 22.g4 c5 23.Bd2 Qxe5 24.
Bxg5 Kg7 25.Be3 f5 26.Kg2 Kf7
27.Qg3 Qxg3+ 28.Kxg3 a5

A draw was agreed, although Black could certainly play for a win. ½–½

Benoni A43
Conrad Holt 2362
John Bryant 2453

Texas Masters 2010 (5)
1.d4 c5 2.d5 e6 3.c4 exd5 4.cxd5 d6
5.e4 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Nf3 a6 8.a4
0–0 12.Re1 Nbd7 13.Be2 Re8
14.f3 Rc8 15.a5 c4= O’Kelly-
Damljanovic, Havana 1968.

14…Ne5

This "caveman" attack on
White’s king lacks sufficient basis in
the position. [15…Rc8 16.Be2 c4
cxd3 20.Qxd3 Rxar]=

16.h3 Qh4?
16…Nf6 17.f4 Ned7 18.g4=

17.g3 Qf6
17…Qh5 18.hxg4 Nxe4 19.Bg2
+

18.hxg4

Even stronger is 18. f4=+

18…Qf6
Ne5 21.Qf4 Re8 22.Bd3 Qf6 23.g4
Nh7 24.Bxh7 Qxh7 25.Qf6 Bf5
26.Bg6 Qg7 27.Rxh8 Qxh8 28.Bxc4
Nd7 29.Bxe5 Qxe5 30.Qxe5
Nh6 31.Rh6 Qg7 32.Nd5 Be5 33.Bd5
Nc6 34.Bc6 Qxc6 35.Bxa8 Qb6
36.Ra8 Qa5 37.Nb4 Qa4 38.Bd7
Nh5 39.Bxh5 Qg7 40.Nd5 Qf8 41.Bf3
Qg7 42.Rb2 Qf7 43.Nf4 Qg7
44.Rb1 1–0

King’s Indian A65
Tautvydas Vedrickas 2333
Tyler Hughes 2337

Texas Masters 2010 (5)
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6
5.f3 0–0 6.Bg5 c5 7.d5 c6 8.Nge2
e5 9.exd5 h6 10.Be3 a6 11.a4
Be2 Nh7 15.f4 Ng4 16.Bxg4 Bxg4
17.0–0 Re8 18.Nd3 Bxc3 19.bxc3

JG’s Old-Fashioned Hamburger Texas Masters final standings

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Texas Action Championship
April 24
5 round Swiss
Game/30

John Hornbeak Building, 3rd floor
4450 Medical Dr., San Antonio, TX. Free parking.

Prizes: $1,000 b/40  2/3 guaranteed
1st/2nd: $300/150; U2100: $125; U1900: $125;
U1700: $125; U1500: $100; U1300/unr. $75

Entry fees: adult $30 if received by 4/22, $35 at site.
Junior (18/under) or Senior (65+) $20 by 4/22, $35 at site
Junior & senior entries count as 2/3 adult entry toward prizes.
TCA membership required ($10 reg., $7.50 junior or student)

Registration: 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Rounds begin at noon with 15 min. breaks.
1/2 point bye any one round with notice before round 2.
Advance entries: SACC, PO Box 501, Helotes, TX 78023-0501.
Info: www.sanantoniochess.com ; 210-695-2324

It will be a Fiesta weekend in S.A. — see www.fiesta-sa.org
Texas State and Amateur Championship  
May 28-31 or 29-31  
7 Round Swiss

Crowne Plaza Dallas Near the Galleria, 14315 Midway Rd., Addison, TX 75001  
www.cpgalleria-nr.crowneplaza.com   Direct Line: 972-980-8877 or 1-800-972-2518  
Rates: $84/84/84/84. Reserve by 5/11 (or rate may go up) & ask for Dallas chess tournament rate.

$ 8,350 prize fund (b/175 full entries, 75% guaranteed)

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Time Controls  
Rds 1-3 G/90 with 30 sec increment  
Rds 4-7 G/120 with 30 sec increment  
FIDE rated with USCF rules

Time Controls  
Rounds 1-7 : 30/90 SD/60  
(Round 1 of 3 day schedule is G/120, deduct 5 min. for delay)  
Foreign unrated must play in Championship section.

Rounds:  4-day Fri. 7:45 p.m.; Sat. 2:30 - 8:00; Sun. 10 - 4; Mon. 9 - 2:30  
3-day Rd. 1 Sat. 10 a.m., then merge with 4-day schedule  
Up to two ½ point byes available if requested before round 2.  
Byes for both round 6 and 7 not permitted.

Entry Fees:  
Adult $74 if received by 5/21, $85 later. Add $5 for CC phone entries.  
Senior (over 65), handicap or additional family member: $45 by 5/21, $55 later, counts 60% toward base.  
Add $5 for credit card phone entries.  
Pre-registration requires pre-payment. After 5/26 all registration and changes on-site only.  
All changes including withdrawal $10 after 5/26.  
All: TCA membership required, other states accepted.

On-site registration:  4-day: Fri. 5/28, 6:15-7:15 p.m. 3-day: Sat. 5/29  9-9:30 a.m.

Mail entries (with payment) to Dallas Chess Club, c/o Barbara Swafford, 2709 Longhorn Trail, Crowley, TX 76036.  
NS. NC. W. FIDE.

K-12 Scholastic Event  
Saturday, May 29: 5-round Swiss (Rds 1-3 G/30, Rds 4-5 G/45)  
Entry fee: $28 by 5/21, $40 after. CC phone entries add $5. Pre-reg. requires pre-payment. After 5/26 all registration and changes on site only; all changes $10 after 5/26. No refunds after 5/27.  
Onsite registration 8:15-8:45 a.m. Round 1 at 9:30 a.m., rest ASAP with short lunch break.  
Two sections: K-12 Championship and K-12 under 750. Prizes: Trophies to top 12 individuals, 5 teams in each section. Medals to plus scores who do not win a trophy.

Info: www.dallaschess.com ;  Barb Swafford, 214-632-9000, info@dallaschess.com
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White to move, mate in two

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