



# Chess Club Observer

Newsletter of the Springfield Chess Club

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## Next Tournament May 19 at Church

Our next tournament, the Ninth Annual David Mote Memorial Open, will be held on Saturday, May 19, at the First Congregational Church, 2100 S. Bates Ave. This is located in Leland Grove on Springfield's southwest side. The tournament will take place in a room downstairs. The parking lot entrance is on Bates Ave, just south of Ash St. (the church itself is on the southeast corner of this intersection). Enter on the inside corner of the building that faces west, to the right of the front door. This door should be easily visible from the parking lot.

New USCF regulations require us to announce delays and increments separately from the time limit. Otherwise, the tournament will be the same as most of our other recent ones. Entry fee is \$17 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$2 discount for SCC members. Prize fund is \$400 based on 30 entrants. First round, G/55/5 (equivalent to G/60 under the old rules) at 10 a.m., lunch break at noon, second through fourth rounds of G/70/5 (equivalent to G/75 under the old rules) at 12:30, 3:15, and 6.

## Kiwanis' Kids Tourney Well Attended

93 kids in grades K through 8 came to the Trinity Lutheran Church on March 23 to play in the Springfield Evening Kiwanis Club's annual scholastic tournament. The event was split into three sections, one each for grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8. The results of the topmost players are on page 2.

## Match with Decatur Chess Club Proposed

The Decatur Chess Club has expressed an interest in playing one or two friendly matches with the Springfield Chess Club, possibly one home and one away match. If you are interested in participating in such a match, please let one of the club officers know, and/or post in the SCC internet forums. Most likely, we would have 4 to 6 boards. We do not yet have any details about date, time, or location.

The last inter-club matches in which the SCC participated were against the Jacksonville Chess Club in 2001. The two clubs battled to a 4-4 tie in the first match, and the SCC prevailed 6-3 in the second match.

## Vice President Needed

The position of vice president of the SCC has become vacant. If you are interested in volunteering, please come to a club meeting and the Board may be able to appoint you. Duties of the vice president are to assist the President with club business and act as President in his absence; also, the position gets one out of five votes on the Board.

# Results of Kiwanis' Kids Tourney

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>School</u>
<i>Grades K through 2 (total attendance: 8)</i>			
1	Connor Klopfer	3	(home schooled)
2	Jacob Colbert	2	Springfield Christian
3	James Percy	2	(home schooled)
<i>Grades 3 through 5 (total attendance: 54)</i>			
1	Jason Gao	3	Iles
2	Mattie Dunnagan	3	Our Savior (Jacksonville)
3	Trent Minder	3	Iles
4	Alex Rothschild	3	Iles
5	Anand Baiju	3	Iles
6	John Phalen	3	St. Agnes
<i>Grades 6 through 8 (total attendance: 31)</i>			
1	Edmund Fornuff	3	Iles
2	Christian Gatewood	3	(home schooled)
3	Krishi Korrapati	3	Franklin
4	Bryce Spaulding	3	Our Savior's Lutheran

## Meetings

The Springfield Chess Club meets weekly on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the White Oaks Mall food court, and also meets twice a month, on the second and fourth Friday of each month, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. in the café section of Barnes & Noble. Both locations are near the corner of Route 4 and Wabash Ave.

## Area Tournament Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Reg Ends</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
April 21	Normal	9:45	Jeff Smith	(309) 378-2078
<b>May 19</b>	<b>Springfield</b>	9:45	David Long	(217) 726-2584