



# Chess Club Observer

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## Full House, Two 4-0 Scores at March Tourney

The Eleventh Annual David Mote Memorial Open, held March 29 at Douglas United Methodist Church, drew the highest turnout of any one-day event in Springfield since 2001. Forty chess players, including large contingents from the Peoria and Bloomington areas, came to play. Turnout was large enough to increase the prize fund and award additional class prizes. The club extends its thanks to everyone who played.

At the end of the day, we had two perfect scores of 4-0: Pete Karagianis, of Bloomington; and Tian Lu Peng, of Springfield. There was a ten-way tie in Class A-B. Those players, with a score of 3-1, were Brando Pawling, Andrew Fei, Shawn Rhoney, Scott Schmidt, Phil Jarrette, James Healy, Will Kerns, Evan Gresen, Daniel Wilson, and Brandon Williams. In the Class C-D section, there was a five-way tie. With 2 points, these were Jimmie Cecil, Thomas Knoedler, James Risoli, Raymond Boske, and Senthil Shanmugam. 2 points was also enough for first in Class E and below. Two players tied, they were Nithin Sebastian and Pranav Venkatesh. Finally, Jarek Millburg was the first unrated player, also with 2 points.

Complete results of the tournament are on page 2.

## New Club Holds First Tournament

On Sunday, April 6, Tian Lu Peng's chess club held a tournament at the Route 66 Hotel on the city's south end. Eight players participated. Michael Brun was the winner, at 3-1. (Tian also ended with a score of 3 as a houseman.) Second place went to Peter Marz, with 2½ points. Ishaar Ganesan was first under 1700, and Shanku Nair was first under 1400. They also scored 2½ points. Second under 1400 was Akshat Shah, with 2 points.

Complete results of the tournament are on page 3.

## Kiwanis Club Holds Annual Kids Tourney

The Springfield Evening Kiwanis Club's annual scholastic tournament, held on Friday, March 28, drew 76 players in three sections. SCC members Jim Larson and Leonard Ferguson served as a director and a coach respectively.

A summary of results is on page 3.

## October Tourney Taking Shape

Our next tournament, the Frederick Ekstrom Memorial Open, is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, October 4-5, at the State House Inn, corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Adams, in downtown Springfield. The tournament will feature five rounds and a \$1700 prize fund. Other details are still being finalized at this time.

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**October Tourney (continued from previous page)**

There are 56 regular seats and 4 overflow seats available. Advance registration is strongly encouraged. Be sure to reserve your seat before they are all filled!

## Complete Results, March 29, 2014

<b>Seed</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Rd 1</b>	<b>Rd 2</b>	<b>Rd 3</b>	<b>Rd 4</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Pete Karagianis	2236	W21	W11	W6	W4	4
2	Tian Lu Peng	2003	W22	W13	W7	W3	4
3	Brando Pawling	1885	W23	W14	W8	L2	3
4	Andrew Fei	1879	W24	W15	W9	L1	3
5	Garald Bumgardner	1878	W25	L16	W20	L14	2
6	Shawn Rhoney	1843	W26	W17	L1	W16	3
7	Scott Schmidt	1829	W27	W18	L2	W13	3
8	Phil Jarrette	1800	W28	W19	L3	W32	3
9	Troy Krimminger	1775	W29	W20	L4	L18	2
10	Blair Hu	1762	D30	D32	W22	L17	2
11	James Healy	1753	W31	L1	W24	W19	3
12	Nir. Pannerselvam	1752	L32	W30	W26	L15	2
13	Scott Nelson	1740	W33	L2	W21	L7	2
14	Will Kerns	1734	W34	L3	W28	W5	3
15	Evan Gresen	1670	W35	L4	W23	W12	3
16	Peter Marz	1659	W36	W5	D32	L6	2½
17	Daniel Wilson	1627	W37	L6	W25	W10	3
18	Brandon Williams	1627	W38	L7	W40	W9	3
19	Jimmie Cecil	1565	W39	L8	FWIN	L2	2
20	Thomas Knoedler	1550	W40	L9	L5	W28	2
21	Patrick Jaeggi	1520	L1	W31	L13	L29	1
22	Ishaar Ganesan	1496	L2	W33	L10	L27	1
23	Prithiv Kumar	1368	L3	W34	L15	L40	1
24	Jai Mahajan	1315	L4	W35	L11	D31	1½
25	James Risoli	1315	L5	W36	L17	W34	2
26	Adit. Chandramouli	1313	L6	W37	L12	L33	1
27	Raymond Boske	1305	L7	L38	W30	W22	2
28	James Barnes	1290	L8	W39	L14	L20	1
29	Senthil Shanmugam	1276	L9	L40	FWIN	W21	2
30	Arnold Ogerio	1256	D10	L12	L27	W37	1½
31	Raghav Mukundan	1150	L11	L21	W37	D24	1½
32	Nithin Sebastian	1134	W12	D10	D16	L8	2
33	Pranav Venkatesh	1052	L13	L22	W36	W26	2
34	Arnav Sriram	1034	L14	L23	W39	L25	1
35	Arnaldo De Carvalho	929	L15	L29	FORF	----	0
36	Brock Wagehoft	893	L16	L25	L33	W39	1
37	Herbert Lim	877	L17	L26	L31	L30	0
38	Carrick Younkin	683	L18	W27	FORF	----	1
39	Ryan Wilke	543	L19	L28	L34	L36	0
40	Jarek Millburg	unr.	L20	W29	L18	W23	2

## Complete Results, April 6, 2014

Seed	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Total
1	Michael Brun	1840	W5	W4	LH	W6	3
2	Robert Naiman	1736	L6	W7	L5	D4	1½
3	Peter Marz	1659	W7	D6	L4	W5	2½
4	Ishaar Ganesan	1486	W8	L1	W3	D2	2½
5	Cassie Parent	1400	L1	LH	W2	L3	1
6	Shanku Nair	1394	W2	D3	W8	L1	2½
7	Akshat Shah	958	L3	L2	FULL	W8	2
8	Ellie Shepherd	unr.	L4	FULL	L6	L7	1
H	Tian Lu Peng	2077	HALF	W5	W1	HALF	3

## Results, Kiwanis Kids Tourney

Rank	Name	School	Score
<b>Grades K-1-2 (total participants: 8)</b>			
1	Major A. Gibson	Our Savior's Lutheran	3-0
2	Drew De Jaynes	Our Savior's	3-0
3	Caleb Lewis	(homeschooled)	2-1
<b>Grades 3-4-5 (total participants: 40)</b>			
1	Isaac Rennison	Iles	3-0
2	Grant Thompson	Iles	3-0
3	Connor Klopfer	(homeschooled)	3-0
4	Caleb Klopfer	(homeschooled)	3-0
<b>Grades 6-7-8 (total participants: 28)</b>			
1	Edmund Fornoff	Iles	3-0
2	Jacob Spera	St. Agnes	3-0
3	Katherine Baumann	Our Savior's Jacksonville	3-0

## Welcome New Members

Patrick Jaeggi, of Rochester, has rejoined the Springfield Chess Club. Membership now stands at 14.

## 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

Date	City	Reg Ends	Contact	Phone
April 26-27	Peoria	?	?	?