



# Chess Club Observer

Newsletter of the Springfield Chess Club

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## James Healy, Bill Smythe Win March Tourney

The club held the Twelfth Annual David Mote Memorial Open, on Saturday, March 14. Thirteen players participated. First place, with 3 points out of 4, was shared by James Healy, of Springfield, and Bill Smythe, of Chicago. Evan Gresen, of Springfield, won first in class A-B with 2½ points. Thomas Knoedler, of Springfield, and Michael Cordero, of Chicago, won first in class C-D, also with 2½ points. First in class E went to Geoffrey Murphy, of Metamora, with 1½ points. Finally, John Johnson, of Decatur, won first unrated. He also scored 1½ points.

Complete results of the tournament are on page 2.

## Kiwanis Holds Kids Tourney

The Springfield Evening Kiwanis Club held its annual tournament for kids in grades K-8 on Friday, April 17. 80 players attended, in 3 sections. A summary of results is on page 2.

## 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.

## Welcome New Members

Nischitha Korrapati, of Springfield, has joined the Springfield Chess Club. Welcome to the club! Membership now stands at 14.

## Board Members Needed

There are currently two vacancies on the five-seat Board of Directors. The seats have been vacant for several months. If you are interested in volunteering, see Tom or David.

## Next Tournament TBD

Our next tournament is tentatively planned for this autumn, but we are still working out details including the date. More next issue.

## Complete Results – March 14, 2015

Rank	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Total
1	Garald Bumgardner	1841	L7	L6	W12	W11	2
2	Bill Smythe	1800	W8	W7	LH	W4	3
3	James Healy	1762	L9	W12	W8	W7	3
4	Evan Gresen	1679	W10	DH	W9	L2	2½
5	Thomas Knoedler	1576	W11	D9	W6	LH	2½
6	Michael Cordero	1523	D12	W1	L5	W9	2½
7	Jimmie Cecil	1434	W1	L2	W10	L3	2
8	Mitchell Behna	1307	L2	W11	L3	W10	2
9	Geoffrey Murphy	991	W3	D5	L4	L6	1½
10	Sonnet Henderson	687	L4	W13	L7	L8	1
11	Eric Smith	663	L5	L8	W13	L1	1
12	John Johnson	unr.	D6	L3	L1	W13	1½
13	Nichitha Korrapati	unr.	LH	L10	L11	L12	0
H	David Long	2034	W13	D4	W2	W5	3½

## Results, Kiwanis Kids Tourney

Rank	Name	School	Score
<b>Grades K-1-2 (total participants: 10)</b>			
1	Lucas J. Stevens	Our Savior's	3-0
2	Caleb Lewis	(homeschooled)	2½-½
3	Carter E. Matterson	Our Savior's Lutheran	2½-½
<b>Grades 3-4-5 (total participants: 43)</b>			
1	Cathy O. Yang	Iles	3-0
2	Connor O. Klopfer	(homeschooled)	3-0
3	Benjamin M. Yang	Iles	3-0
4	Saddarth Banganulingam	(homeschooled)	3-0
5	Caleb J. Stevens	Our Savior's Lutheran	3-0
6	Abhinaz Ramaraju	Iles	3-0
<b>Grades 6-7-8 (total participants: 27)</b>			
1	Carson A. Perkins	Riverton Middle	3-0
2	William D. Sanderlin	(homeschooled)	3-0
3	Isaac J. Rennison	Iles	2½-½
4	Joshua T. Behnke	Our Savior's	2½-½

## Area Tournament Schedule

Date	City	Reg Ends	Contact	Phone
April 25-26	Peoria	9:00?	?	?
May 16	Decatur	8:30	Kyle Miles	(217) 246-2540