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† CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 1984-85 †

NOV.17-SAT: MILEY STASER FALL SCHOLASTIC

Grades 1-9. Registration 9-10 AM. Play from 10-3 PM. OCCA membership is required. Lower grades will finish earlier.

JAN.26-SAT: KASHDAN WINTER SCHOLASTIC

Grades 1-9. Registration 9-10 AM. Play from 10-3 PM. OCCA membership is required. This is both a TEAM and an INDIVIDUAL event. Teams will consist of 4 or more players.

FEB. 9-SAT: BERNARD MORRISON SPRING SCHOLASTIC

Grades 1-9. Registration 9-10 AM. Play from 10-3 PM. 1st and 2nd place winners will qualify to play in the Orange County Scholastic Championship.

FEB.23-SAT: PETERSON INVITATIONAL (ORANGE COUNTY SCHOLASTIC CHAMPIONSHIP)

Grades 1-9. By invitation only! Those eligible to play are the 1st and 2nd place winners of the Morrison tournament and the champions from the previous year.

NOTE: OCCA membership is \$5.00/year. For further information call Dewain Barber at (714) 998-5508.

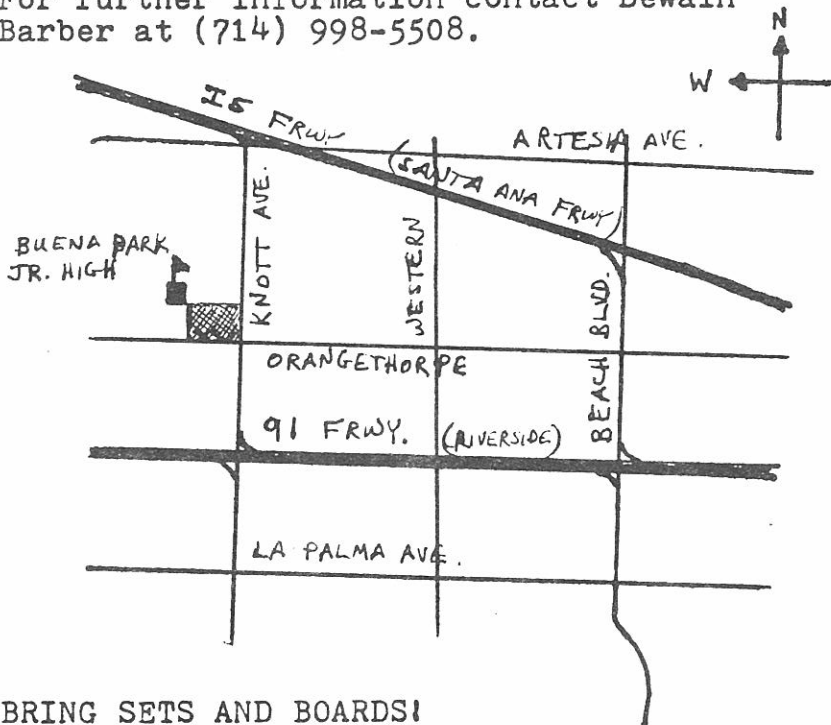
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Tournaments will be held at:

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## ♘ TOURNAMENT RESULTS ♘

1984 Road Runner Rapids (Southern California Scholastic Speed Chess Championships) - Reported by Dewain Barber

The tournament had a total of 51 entries: 14 H.S., 24 J.H.S., and 13 Elementary. It was held on March 31st at Buena Park H.S. Smooth running of the tournament enabled an early decision (after round 1) to extend the tournament to 8 rounds--it had originally been scheduled for 6 rounds.

In the HS section heavy favorite Roger Poehlmann suffered upsets in the 2nd and 3rd rounds. He could only move up to 2nd place by the end of the tournament although he finished with five straight wins including a victory over the winner HOON KIM in round 6. Champion HOON KIM, after giving up a draw in round 4 to co-leader John Chang, took over sole possession of 1st place in round 5 and kept it for the rest of the tournament.

In the JHS section second ranked SHOW KITAGAMI easily took first place, only losing in the last round after already having locked up the championship. He took over sole possession of first in round 4 and maintained it in round 5 with a win over favorite Dean Roberts who had to settle for second place after having been upset in round 3.

In the Elementary section it was again the second ranked player finishing just ahead of the pre-tournament favorite. This was done very convincingly by RICHARD LOPEZ who finished with a perfect 8 wins. He gave Daniel Krawiec his only loss in round 3 and never looked back after beating co-leader Yvonne Krawiec in round 4.

The tournament was sponsored by the Orange County Chess League and the Orange County Chess Association.

Each champion received a trophy and chess clock. Chess books and ribbons were awarded to winners at each grade level.

They were:

- Grade 12: JOHN NGUYEN (1st)  
 Grade 11: DALE SPONSELLER (1st)  
           SHAWN SMITH (2nd)  
           MATT BLASKOVICH (3rd)  
 Grade 10: ROGER POEHLMANN (1st)  
           LANCE ROBERTS (2nd)  
           JEFF JENSEN (3rd)  
 Grade 9: TOM NGUYEN (1st)  
           ABRAHAM ANDERSON (2nd)  
 Grade 8: RODRIGO SEAMAN (1st)  
           BRIAN LAU (2nd)  
           HARRY WANG (2nd)  
 Grade 7: DEAN ROBERTS (1st)  
           DOUG ENRIGHT (2nd)  
           CLIFFORD FELDHEIM (3rd)  
 Grade 6: ERICA ANGLE (1st)  
           EMBER GROSS (2nd)  
           AN TRAN LE (3rd)  
           ROGER HUFF (3rd)  
 Grade 5: RUSS GLIOTTONE (1st)  
           JON NAPIER (2nd)  
 Grade 4: DANIEL KRAWEIC (1st)  
           SAMEER BHUSHAN (2nd)  
           SHANGLETT MERIDA (3rd)  
 Grade 3: KAMIESHA TURNER (1st)  
 Grade 2: YVONNE KRAWIEC (1st)

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Summer Junior Five Minute Tournament -  
 Reported by Robert M. Snyder

JEFF WAGONER of Santa Ana scored 20-2 to win this event held this summer in Garden Grove. In second place was DAVID DEATON of Huntington Beach with a score of 18-4 followed by MIKE MAHER of Garden Grove with a score of 15-7. There was a tie for fourth between GUILLERMO ALVAREZ of Stanton and MICHAEL HARTL of Orange at 13½-8½.

This was a double round robin event with 12 players. Ribbons were awarded for 1st through 3rd places.

Fall Junior Five Minute Tournament -  
 Reported by Robert M. Snyder

There were 10 players in this quadruple round robin event held this fall in Garden Grove.

MIKE OSMAN of Westminster took 1st place with a score of 33-3. Tied for 2nd place behind him were JEFF WAGONER of Santa Ana and GUILLERMO ALVAREZ of Stanton each with a score of 30-6..

The top place for Grade 4 and below was taken by ARI STRAUSS of Huntington Beach.

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CHESS TRAPS

1. e4, e6; 2. d4, Qf6; 3. e5, Qf5??; 4. Bd3 and White wins the Black Queen. This shows the danger of bringing the Queen out too early in the game.

1. e4, e5; 2. Nf3, Nf6; 3. Nxe5, Nxe4? This loses a pawn at the very least.; 4. Qe2, d5; 5. d3, Nf6??; 6. Nc6 dis.ch. and White wins Black's Queen.

1. d4, d5; 2. c4, e6; 3. Nc3, Nf6; 4. Bg5, Nbd7; 5. cxd5, exd5 and White thinking he can win a pawn plays 6. Nxd5? and Black replies with 6...Nxd5; 7. Bxd8, Bb4 ch; 8. Qd2, Bxd2 ch; 9. Kxd2, Kxd8 and Black is a piece ahead.

1. f4, e5; 2. fxe5, d6; 3. exd6, Bxd6; 4. Nf3, g5; 5. d4, g4; 6. Nfd2?? this loses quickly to 6...Qh4 ch; 7. g3, Qxg3 ch; 8. hxg3, Bxg3 mate. Of course White could have played 7...Bxg3 ch; 8. hxg3, Qxg3 mate but players who like to show off will mate with a minor piece instead.

1. e4, c6; 2. d4, d5; 3. Bd3, Nf6; 4. Nc3, g6; 5. Qe2, dxe4; 6. Bxe4, Nxe4; 7. Nxe4; 8. Nbd???, Nd6 mate.



## ♠ PLAYER'S AUGUST SCHOLASTIC OPEN ♠

By - Robert M. Snyder

Fifteen-year-old Roger Poehlmann of Torrance scored a perfect 4-0 to win first place in the Player's August Scholastic Open on August 4 & 5. He received a \$60.00 gift certificate for his fine victory over a field of 21 players.

There was a six way tie for second place at 3-1 between Mike Maher, Daniel Krawiec, Kevin Heimberger, Jeff Wagoner, Andrew Sabl and Jim Harvie. They each received \$15 gift certificate prizes.

The top elementary school prize went to Daniel Krawiec followed by Russ Gliottone (second) and Michael Hartl (third).

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## ♠ PLAYER'S SCHOLASTIC TOURNAMENTS ♠

The Player's Showroom located at 1710 Silverlake Blvd. in Los Angeles has a complete schedule of scholastic events.

Events are scheduled for Sept. 1 & 2, Oct. 6-7, Nov. 3-4 and Dec. 1-2, 1984. Tournaments are now five round swisses with rounds at 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday and on Sunday at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The time limit is 40 moves in 1½ hours.

There are \$150.00 guaranteed certificate prizes. Planned distribution:

FIRST - \$60.00, SECOND - \$45.00, THIRD - \$30.00 and TOP ELEMENTARY (Grade 6 and below) - \$15.00.

Also, for the next event ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd overall place, plus 1st, 2nd, 3rd Elementary student.

Entry fees to the U.S.C.F. rated event are \$12.00 if mailed in advance to: The Players Showroom, 1710 Silverlake, Los Angeles, CA 90026. There is a \$3.00 late fee.

For more details call (213) 665-5728.

# ♔ Potpourri ♔

by M. E. Crane

"If once a man indulges himself in murder, very soon he comes to think little of robbing; and from robbing he comes next to drinking and Sabbath-breaking, and from that to incivility and procrastination" - Thomas de Quincy

A few weeks ago I was visiting a good friend of mine. He had recently played in a major chess tournament and, naturally, we talked about the tournament and his experiences. He told me about one young chessplayer he had faced whose conduct had been very offensive.

During the course of the game this young man engaged in just about every unethical trick imaginable. He didn't wind his clock so it ran slow. He jiggled the table. If he had been old enough to smoke my friend would have been surrounded by cloud that would have rivaled the fogs of London.

In the end, my friend was able to slip out of a bad position and win the game. However, as he told me, there was little enjoyment derived from playing such a game with such an opponent.

My friend's wife added a little further insight into the boy's behavior. She was also at the tournament watching her husband play. During this game the boy's mother made quite a scene with the tournament director. She claimed that my friend's wife was distracting her little boy and that she should be removed from the tournament hall. Quite rightly, the tournament director refused to listen to these tales. It's easy enough to see just where the



young man inherited his "style" of play.

I work as a lawyer for the Air Force and recently we prosecuted a sergeant who had lied about his qualifications for promotion. He told the Air Force that he had earned two college degrees. He also stated that he had received a commendation from the Los Angeles Special Olympics. As a result of these lies he received a special promotion and was nominated as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Men of America. When he was convicted, the judge delivered a scathing reprimand from the bench.

He told the young man that his actions would haunt him for the rest of his life. No one that he dealt with would know for sure whether or not he was lying or telling the truth. The young man could never be sure if his superiors, friends, and co-workers knew of his misdeeds. And, he could never ask because that would mean that they knew or had the ability to find out.

When I heard the sentence that was given and the judge's comments, I thought about my conversation with my friend and that chess game. Our sergeant's behavior and the seeds of his crime were planted long ago. After the trial he couldn't believe that what he did was wrong or a crime. Perhaps he was brought up to believe that the ends he achieved justified the means he used to achieve them.

So, too, with our young chessplayer. He was so concerned with winning that he was willing to use every tool, ethical or not, to achieve that end. He didn't care about playing the game, all he cared about was the result. And, judging from her behavior, he learned that attitude from his mother.

Most of us who play the game of chess are not great players. Heaven knows, I'm not. We play because we love the game and enjoy the intellectual challenge that comes with matching our skills against those of

other players. We are not going to make a fortune playing the game nor are we going to achieve a great deal of fame. The enjoyment that I gain from playing chess is reduced every time I have to face an opponent who feels he has to act like a total jerk. Many of my friends are chess players and none of them are jerks - I avoid that type of person.

The moral of my story is this: you do not have to develop a "winning is everything" attitude to enjoy the game of chess. You can make friends, enjoy the game, and even win a few games if you confine the war to the four corners of the chessboard. The player who uses every trick, fair or foul, to gain an advantage will lose friends and gain a bad reputation. And, if he applies this attitude to all aspects of his life he may end up in my courtroom with the judge delivering a reprimand to him.



### ↑ SHORT GAMES ↑

De Legal - Saint Brie, Paris 1750

1.e4, e5;2.Nf3, d6;3.Bc4, Bg4;4.Nc3, g6;5.Nxe5, Bxd1;6.Bxf7+, Ke7;7.Nd5 mate.

Pillsbury - Fernandez, Havana 1900

1.e4, e5;2.Nc3, Nc6;3.f4, d6;4.Nf3, a6;5.Bc4, Bg4;6.fxe4, Nxe4;7.Nxe4!, Bxd1;8,Bxf7+, Ke7; 9.Nd5 mate.

Manko - Jankowitz, Correspondence 1900

1.e4, e5;2.Ne2, Bc5;3.f4, Qf6;4.c3, Nc6;5.g3, Nh3;6.Bg2, Ng4;7.Rf1, Nxh2;8.fxe5??, Qxf1+; 9.Bxf1, Nf3 mate.

Amateur - Canal, Simultaneous Exhibition 1935

1.e4, e5;2.Ne2, d5;3.exd5, Qxd5;4.Nc3, Qa5; 5.d4, Nc6;6.d5, Nb4;7.Bd2, Bf5;8.Rc1, Bxc2!, 9.Rxc2, Nd3 mate.

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♔ WINNING CHESS TACTICS ♚

By ROBERT M. SNYDER  
NATIONAL CHESS MASTER

It has long been known that a Knight on the rim is dim. This is clearly shown in diagrams 1 and 3 where a knight becomes trapped on the edge of the board.

The theme of "Noa's Ark Trap" is shown in diagrams 2 and 4. White's Queen is drawn out to become a target for Black's "c" pawn. The "c" pawn is used to trap White's Bishop.

In diagrams 5 and 6 White uses a discovered attack theme along a diagonal to win material.

Solutions follow the diagrams.

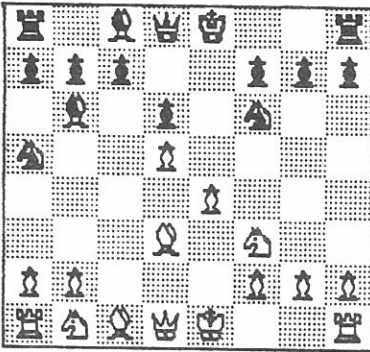


DIAGRAM 1  
WHITE TO MOVE AND WIN A PIECE

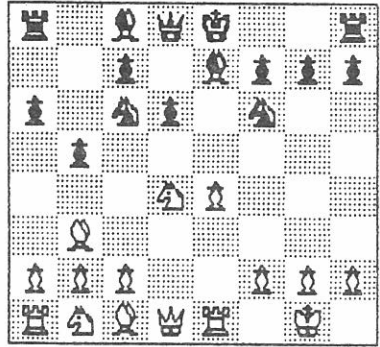


DIAGRAM 2  
BLACK TO MOVE AND WIN A PIECE

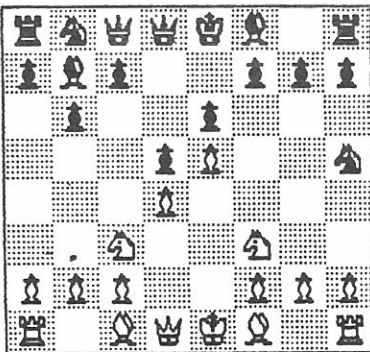


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WHITE TO MOVE AND WIN A PIECE

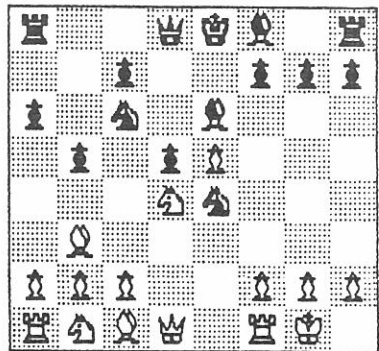


DIAGRAM 4  
BLACK TO MOVE AND WIN A PIECE



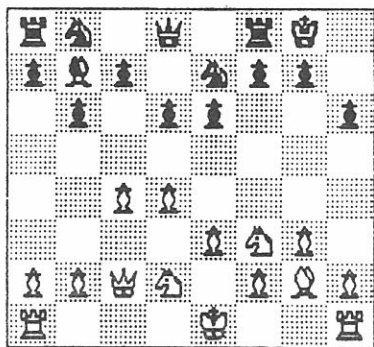


DIAGRAM 5  
WHITE TO MOVE AND WIN MATERIAL

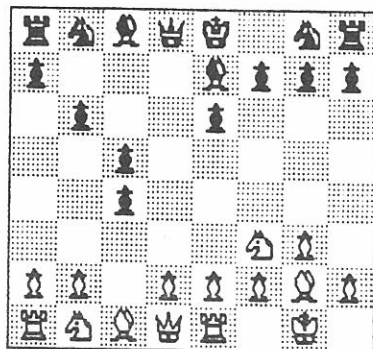


DIAGRAM 6  
WHITE TO MOVE AND WIN MATERIAL

#### SOLUTIONS

DIAGRAM #1 - White attacks and wins Black's Knight with 1 b4!

DIAGRAM #2 - White's Bishop is trapped after 1...Nxd4 2 Qxd4 c5 3 Qc3 c4.

DIAGRAM #3 - Just as in Diagram #1 Black's Knight is poorly located on the edge of the board. White can win the Knight with 1 g4!

DIAGRAM #4 - Black uses the same type of idea to win a piece as in diagram #2 after 1...Nxd4 2 Qxd4 c5 3 Qe3 c4.

DIAGRAM #5 - White plays 1 Ng5! which threatens both 2 Qh7 mate and 2 Bxb7. After 1...hxg5 then 2 Bxb7 and Black cannot prevent the capture of his Rook.

DIAGRAM #6 - White uses a discovered attack by his Bishop with 1 Ne5 attacking Black's Rook. Black must now lose material.

#### Short Game

1. d4, d5; 2. c4, dxc4; 3. e3, b5? Black cannot hold the pawn he has won.; 4. a4, c6; 5. axb5, cxb5; 6. Qf3 and Black resigns since he will now lose a piece.

# CHESS FOR JUNIORS

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free class!

Instructor - ROBERT M. SNYDER, National Chess Master, Author, Writer, former member of US Correspondence Olympic Team and Co-Champion of the Western United States.

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WHO - All interested juniors ages 9 to 14 who attend a school in Orange County.

WHEN - Call to find out the time and date of the next class.

## WHY SHOULD JUNIORS PLAY CHESS?

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CLASS WILL COVER - Rules, notation, basic opening principles, basic endgames, traps, elementary strategy and tactics.

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