

PIATIGORSKY CHESS FOUNDATION

Summary of Activities

March 1972

Student Chess Club

The program of the Student Chess Club continues to show results on all levels. James Tarjan, former Student Club president, won third place in the National Open held in Nevada.

In the Louis B. Statham Tournament for Masters held in Lone Pine, California, Tarjan tied for second place behind Grandmaster Gligoric of Yugoslavia. Tarjan drew his game against Gligoric.

Kim Commons also made an impressive showing at the Statham event. Kim defeated Grandmasters Walter Browne and Arthur Bisguier in consecutive rounds. Grandmaster Gligoric expressed the opinion that both Tarjan and Commons were definitely potential grandmasters.

Andrew Sacks won the Plummer Park Rating Tournament. Alan Pollard won the San Fernando Rating Tournament.

Andrew Sacks and Mike Pollowitz both received Master ratings from the U.S.C.F. Other Student Club Masters are Jim Tarjan; Kim Commons; Jeff Kent; Ross Stoutenborough. Illustrative of how the Student Club has helped these youngsters to develop is the fact that the average gain in rating has been close to 500 rating points.

Gligoric Simultaneous Exhibition

Grandmaster S. Gligoric played an exhibition at the Student Club on March 20th. He played against 26 members of the club and gave a lecture on one of his games. Gligoric won 20, drew 5 games, and lost only one. Those drawing were: Stewart Schwartz; Marty Hirsch; Ariel Levi; Dave Hasselavris; and 14-year-old Steve Grinell. The lone win was by Elliott Simon.

The event was publicized in Kashdan's Chess Column and there were about 25 spectators watching the exhibition.

The Foundation paid for Gligoric's stay in Los Angeles as he gave two other exhibitions in this area. Mrs. Piatigorsky forgot to take along the Foundation checkbook and therefore paid the bill from her own pocket. The Foundation reimbursed her for \$161.98.

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International Chess Olympiad for the Blind

The United States Braille Chess Association requested financial support to send an American team to the International Chess Olympiad for the Blind in Yugoslavia. The Foundation responded with \$1,500 to defray a major part of the expenses.

The United States team is expected to be much stronger than the team which played in the 1968 Chess Olympiad for the Blind. The team is rated nearly 500 U.S.C.F. rating points higher than in 1968.

Donation to Rick Flacco

Rick Flacco, 15-year-old expert from Glendora, California, wrote requesting financial aid so that he might have the opportunity to compete in the Statham Tournament, as this event gives youngsters the chance to meet the top players in the country. After investigating his situation, we determined that Rick couldn't compete without financial aid. Mr. Piatigorsky wrote a personal check for \$80 as Mrs. Piatigorsky wasn't available. The Foundation reimbursed Mr. Piatigorsky.

May 6, 1972

Dear Mr. Gluck:

A check was erroneously left off the March statement. Please make this addition so that we are back in balance.

3/30/72	Brentwood Secretarial Service	\$73.71
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Thank you,

Arthur Drucker
Piatigorsky Chess Foundation
Secretary to Mrs. Piatigorsky

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Summary of Expenses

March 1972

Educational & Cultural

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/14/72	Gregor Piatigorsky(reimbursed for Flacco)	\$80.00
3/20/72	S. Gligoric-simultaneous exhibition	150.00
3/25/72	Roderick MacDonald-sec. of U.S. Braille Chess Assn.	1,500.00
3/30/72	Jacqueline Piatigorsky-Gligoric Expenses	161.98
3/30/72	Arthur Drucker-salary	263.20
	Total Educational Expenses:	\$2,155.18

General Administrative

3/20/72	General Telephone Co.	\$19.39
	Total Administrative Expenses:	\$19.39

TOTAL EXPENSES FOR MARCH 1972- \$2,174.57

ARTHUR DRUCKER

Earnings Summary

March 1972

<u>Per.</u> <u>End.</u>	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Federal</u> <u>Withholding</u>	<u>Calif.</u> <u>Withholding</u>	<u>Social</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Calif.</u> <u>Dis.Ins.</u>	<u>Net</u>
3/31/72	\$300.00	\$18.20	\$0.00	\$15.60	\$3.00	\$263.20