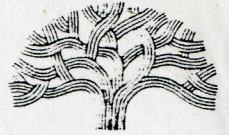




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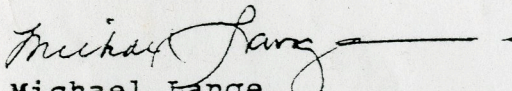
Dear Mr. Koltanowski:

First we would like to thank you for coming to our First Annual Young Knights Chess Mentor Tournament on December 2, 1995. We are looking forward to seeing you at our Valentine's Day Tournament, Saturday, February 10, 1996 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House, 568 Bellevue St. Oakland California. The tournament is part of the Youth-at-Risk Chess Mentor Program. Since the last time we spoke we have had schools, libraries, and recreation centers ask for a Young Knights Chess Mentor Program to help them organize their youth program.

Although we are off to a great beginning, our continued funding to year's end is threatened. Jerry DeGattis suggested that perhaps you could suggest fund raising methods we might use to raise the needed \$ 45,000.00 for instructors, supplies and awards. Also you may know how to reach investors who may be interested in sponsoring the program for a tax write off. If you have any suggestions on this matter, we would appreciate hearing from you.

If you are able to support our efforts, please contact:
Melvin Roberts at (510) 238-3791 ext.260 or myself at ext. 261.

Sincerely,


Michael Lange
Youth At Risk Coordinator