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SOUTHWESTERN OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

BENKO WINS SOUTHWESTERN

1. Pal Benko	W74	W20	W33	W12	W6	W4	D2	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
2. John Jacobs	W99	W57	W37	D5	W23	W12	D1	6
3. John Hall	W65	W30	W39	D18	W19	D5	W21	6
4. Kenneth Smith	W56	W60	W13	W9	W7	L1	D10	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
5. John B. Payne	W69	W62	W57	D2	W18	D3	D7	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
6. Walter Browne	W71	W26	W64	W14	L1	D20	W23	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
7. Anthony Saidy	W38	W21	W10	W48	L4	W14	D5	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
8. Ray Schutt	W54	W25	D23	L11	W53	W26	W19	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
9. William Bills	W59	W44	W49	L4	D31	W25	W20	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
10. Jorge Aldrete	W85	W98	L7	W27	W67	W26	D4	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
11. Roberto Trevino	W96	D36	W41	W8	D35	D21	D13	5
12. Eric Bone	W47	W32	W70	L1	W16	L2	W28	5
13. Tom Cunningham	W94	W92	L4	D49	W52	W35	D11	5
14. Blake Stevens	W76	W63	W31	L6	W50	L7	W39	5
15. D. A. Anderson	W97	W28	L48	L16	W96	W49	W32	5
16. DeJuan Leggett	W67	L48	W92	W15	L12	W31	W33	5
17. Robert Potter	W61	L31	D52	D79	W71	W58	W40	5
18. Gary Simms	W78	W51	W22	D3	L5	D40	D24	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
19. Marin Gonzalez	W77	D24	W53	W39	L3	W29	L8	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
20. J. V. Jurevics	W82	L1	W47	W38	W68	D6	L9	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
21. John Dunning	W44	L7	W73	W43	W37	D11	L3	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
22. Jude Acers	W34	W35	L18	L32	W28	D50	W57	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
23. Tracy Watson	W106	W99	D8	W86	L2	W48	L6	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
24. R. M. Bond	W110	D19	L38	W78	W86	D33	D18	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
25. David Thomas	W100	L8	W84	W51	D48	L9	W55	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
26. W. E. Slifer	W81	L6	D42	W34	W59	L8	W54	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
27. F. Pennington	L51	W83	W81	L10	W70	W68	D30	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
28. Carl Clayton	W105	L15	W98	D33	L22	W79	W48	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
29. J. C. Thompson	L84	W90	D34	W45	W97	L19	W50	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
30. Tom Buckley	W72	L3	L78	W90	W100	W56	D27	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
31. R. Clark	W107	W17	L14	W55	D9	L16	D43	4
32. J. C. Jones	W88	L12	W102	W22	L33	W67	L15	4
33. Roy DeVault	W90	W58	L1	D28	W32	D24	L16	4
34. L. Englebreton	L22	W105	D29	L26	W64	W53	D62	4
35. Fred King	W101	L22	W94	W70	D11	L13	D41	4
36. Billy Patteson	W79	D11	D50	W56	D49	L10	D45	4
37. Carl Vogel	W45	W106	L2	W43	L21	L39	W74	4
38. Michael Fitts	L7	W101	W24	L20	W95	W62	L12	4
39. A. W. Lockett	W91	W95	L3	L19	W72	W37	L14	4
40. Rolando Pelaez	W80	D41	L86	W42	W78	D18	L17	4

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The 1968 Southwest and International Open Chess tmt attracted 110 players to the HemisFair in San Antonio on Labor Day week-end. Eight masters competed. Pal Benko won with a score of 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$, drawing (by agreement in the last round) with Texas Junior Champion, John Jacobs of Dallas. Jacobs placed Second on tie-breaking points, ahead of Texas Champion John Hall who also scored 6-1. Ken Smith's opponent barely managed to draw the last round game, which was a fascinating ending. Many other masters also scored 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Best Class A prize-winners were Thomas L. Cunningham and DeJuan T. Leggett, each scored 5-2. Ronald Clark and Larry Englebreton were the highest Class B players, each had 4-3. Mike Regan with 4 points, and David Rece with 3 wins, took the Class C awards. Class D prizes were received by V. Gracia of Ft. Worth, and Bill Frentzel of San Antonio. Roberto Trevino, chess master from Mexico, won the trophy for the highest Unrated player. Marin Gonzales of Monterrey received the glorious title "Second Best Unrated Player".

Dear Mr. Editor,

It is necessary that your editorial, and Mr. Pelaez's letter in the August issue of TEXAS KNIGHTS be answered in opposition.

I am glad to see name calling of individuals, and certain chess clubs discontinued in the official bulletin of the Texas Chess Association. Punitive journalism will not bring about changes in existing conditions. I believe that your voice should be heard and respected, but I believe too that the same consideration should be given the other side.

Criticism can be leveled at both points of view - "all money to the prize fund," or "part of the money to the prize fund."

I think that I am qualified to examine each side, since my personal feelings are to support the first, and my organizational experience dictates that I support the second. To be objective, we must break down these views into specific questions, then examine them to see what is best for Texas chess.

1. Should the tmt director be paid?

Yes. This is two days of hard work, and sometimes travel.

No. Find dedicated chess enthusiasts who are willing to direct tournaments without remuneration.

Discussion: Of course, the latter answer is the better one, but here lies the problem, who will do this work for nothing, time after time, year after year? If there is one in Texas, let him stand up and be counted.

2. Should the host club make money?

No. The host club has an obligation to return the entry fees in prizes.

Yes. Representatives of the host club organize the tournament, arrange for the playing space, prepare and mail the tmt announcements, order (they do not furnish) the supplies, secure a tmt director (paid or unpaid), collect fees, and prepare TCA and USCF reports. Therefore the host club is entitled to something for its efforts.

Discussion: When the Fort Worth Chess Club tried to make \$100 (actually they came out with under \$40.) such harsh criticism was leveled at them, that they now refuse to hold another tournament. They wanted to buy clocks with this extra money to improve the Ft. Worth Chess Club.

The Dallas Chess Club lost money in its first few tournament attempts due to guaranteed prizes, but in the last several tmts, the club has made a profit, which it uses to pay its operating expenses. An observation: My, my those words that were used in the letter, and the editorial: niggardliness, bigotry, profiteering, apathy, ridiculous, pittance, childish, boycott, robbed; and such phrases as "trophies pompously given," and "prize distribution committee," "illegitimate practice," "services not rendered," etc. certainly do nothing to maintain the discussion on a very high level, or for that matter, do they in any way add to the promotion of chess in Texas. Is this the way to change the Ft. Worth and Dallas clubs when you just think that they are wrong? (According to the constitution of the Texas Chess Assn, they are in the right). Is this the way to chastize a tmt director for accepting a fee? Let me tell you now, and with a very big "NO," it certainly isn't.

If someone wants all of the entry fees to go for prizes, then let him promote such a tournament, and we will all help him. We need more tournaments in Texas.

If some chess club wants to promote a chess tmt, and try to make some money, let's give them our support. We need more tournaments in Texas. This is what is good for Texas chess - not printed disparagements month, after month, after month, in TEXAS KNIGHTS.

Yours truly,
Ken Smith

Comments by the Editor:

There is not one who will work for nothing, time after time, year after year, but there are many who will occasionally direct a tmt for free.

A more intelligent question is How much should a tmt director be paid?

Koltanowski received \$290 for directing the 110 player, 7 rd Swiss event at San Antonio, and probably earned every cent of it. (continued on page 4)

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41.	S. Subramaniam	W73	D40	L11	L52	W65	W61	D35	4
42.	R. M. Mendoza	L48	W89	D26	L40	W69	W66	D58	4
43.	J. C. Vivanco	L98	W85	W59	L37	W44	D54	D31	4
44.	Mike Regan	L21	L9	W109	W46	L43	W96	W75	4
45.	M. Leafner	L37	D79	W88	L29	W93	W80	D36	4
46.	S. Gonzalez	L92	L94	W101	L44	W105	W93	W68	4
47.	James Campion	L12	W108	L20	L95	W92	W70	W77	4
48.	Robert Brieger	W42	W16	W15	L7	D25	L23	L28	3 1/2
49.	Thomas Snow	W68	W109	L9	D13	D36	L15	D59	3 1/2
50.	S. H. Brower	D87	W76	D36	W64	L14	D22	L29	3 1/2
51.	F. Elizondo	W27	L18	W66	L25	L58	W97	D63	3 1/2
52.	Daryl Hanks	L86	W100	D17	W41	L13	L55	W80	3 1/2
53.	Ed Caruthers	W104	D86	L19	W69	L8	L34	W71	3 1/2
54.	Herman Scott	L8	W72	L55	W81	W60	D43	L26	3 1/2
55.	W. H. Janes	W93	L70	W54	L31	D61	W52	L25	3 1/2
56.	Hugh West	L4	W102	W105	L36	W63	L30	D60	3 1/2
57.	P. Andreasen	W108	L2	L5	W93	D85	W103	L22	3 1/2
58.	J. C. Bolen	W89	L33	L67	W94	W51	L17	D42	3 1/2
59.	C. Kistler	L9	W107	L43	W75	L26	W100	D49	3 1/2
60.	R. R. McCready	W103	L4	W61	L67	L54	W76	D56	3 1/2
61.	F. Stephenson	L17	W91	L60	W80	D55	L41	W89	3 1/2
62.	David Willis	W102	L5	W93	L68	W83	L38	D34	3 1/2
63.	G. S. Wren	W109	L14	L68	W82	L56	W83	D51	3 1/2
64.	Bill Wheeler	W83	W84	L6	L50	L34	D78	W79	3 1/2
65.	W. N. Wells	L3	D80	L82	W91	L41	W102	W88	3 1/2
66.	V. Gracia	L95	W82	L51	W84	D79	L42	W78	3 1/2
67.	Hector Flores	L16	W97	W58	W60	L10	L32		3
68.	Lucky Kyle	L49	W87	W63	W62	L20	L27	L46	3
69.	Mark Hazelwood	L5	D88	W87	L53	L42	D91	W100	3
70.	R. Hatton	W75	W55	L12	L35	L27	F47	W102	3
71.	David Gonzalez	L6	W104	W95	L21	L17	W81	L53	3
72.	V. Gracia	L30	L54	W76	W73	L39	L74	W97	3
73.	Mark Levin	L41	W110	L21	L72	L82	W94	W91	3
74.	Alan Laverty	L1	L81	W104	L100	W84	W72	L37	3
75.	J. Fox	L70	L93	W103	L59	W98	W85	L44	3
76.	David Rece	L14	L50	L72	W106	W108	L60	W98	3
77.	T. H. Arnold	L19	L78	W106	L83	W90	W82	L47	3
78.	Tyrrell Harvey	L18	W77	W30	L24	L40	D64	L66	2 1/2
79.	Fred Speck	L36	D45	W96	D17	D66	L28	L64	2 1/2
80.	Carl Ahlers	L40	D65	W108	L61	W94	L45	L52	2 1/2
81.	Pete Prattes	L26	W74	L27	L54	W99	L71	D90	2 1/2
82.	Robert Smith	L20	L66	W65	L63	W73	L77	D92	2 1/2
83.	Homer Hyde	L64	L27	W107	W77	L62	L63	D85	2 1/2
84.	Fred Alsup	W29	L64	L25	L66	L74	D92	W103	2 1/2
85.	Bill Church	L10	L43	D91	W87	D57	L75	D83	2 1/2
86.	Dave Truesdel	W52	D53	W40	L23	F24	Withdrew		2 1/2
87.	Mark Hess	D50	L68	L69	L85	L103	W108	W95	2 1/2
88.	C. Callaway	L32	D69	L45	L105	W109	W95	L65	2 1/2
89.	Dale Nance	L58	L42	L97	D102	W104	W106	L61	2 1/2
90.	A. C. Kistler	L33	L29	W110	L30	L77	W105	D81	2 1/2
91.	James Eberwine	L39	L61	D85	L65	W101	D109	L73	2 1/2
92.	Ken Pierce	W46	L13	L16	L97	L47	D84	D82	2
93.	Dan Chambers	L55	W75	L62	L57	L45	L46	W104	2
94.	Raymond Smith	L13	W46	L35	L58	L80	L73	W107	2
95.	Richard Pack	W66	L39	L71	W47	L38	L88	L87	2
96.	F. Fisher	L11	W103	L79	W98	L15	F44	---	2
97.	J. F. Mandl	L15	L67	W89	W92	L29	L51	L72	2
98.	R. L. Lutz	W43	L10	L28	L96	L75	L99	L76	2
99.	Dell Celani	L2	L23	F100	W110	L81	L98	W105	2
100.	Bill Frentzel	L25	L52	W99	W74	L30	L59	L69	2

SOUTHWEST & INTERNATIONAL TMT REPORT (concluded)

Trophies and Cash were awarded to the first six places, and to first and second in each class. Other players received their choice, in rank order, of the 27 various merchandise prizes, including chess sets and books. The Upset prize was a beautiful 8-piece, 8-place setting of goldware, won by R. L. Lutz of Ft. Worth. He defeated Jose Vivanco, an expert, in the first round, though possessing only a Class D rating himself - point spread 521 points.

Of the 110 players present, 44 received some kind of prize. There were 5 players from Mexico, one from India, and one from Turkey - J. C. Thompson, an American on vacation.

Did you notice how poorly Fisher did in this tmt?

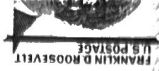
Here are the last 10 placers:

101.	Larry Flores	1 1/2
102.	Robert Carr	1 1/2
103.	James Thames	1 1/2
104.	John Scully	1 1/2
105.	Walter Gracia	1
106.	Ralph Mathis	1
107.	David Hydorn	1
108.	Royce Kortbein	1
109.	Tommy Scrivano	1 1/2
110.	Henry Blair	0

HELP!! WHERE ARE THE GAME SCORES FROM THE SOUTHWESTERN? WHO TOOK THEM? CHESS REVIEW WOULD LIKE TO PUBLISH SOME INTERESTING GAMES FROM THIS EVENT. HOW CAN TEXAS KNIGHTS READERS ENJOY THESE GAMES WHEN NO ONE SENDS THEM TO THE EDITOR?

November 30 - December 1 TEXAS OPEN & TEXAS CANDIDATES

5-round Swiss, 45/2, will be held at the Continental Houston Hotel, 101 Main St. in Houston, Texas.
Entry fee \$10.25 + TCA dues.
Tmt Directors to be announced.
Guaranteed Prizes - for
Candidates \$60, \$30, \$10
Texas Open \$100, 75, 50, 25.
\$100 deducted for Texas Champ.



Opinions of the Editor:

But how many players would allow a \$500 fee to be paid a tmt director for managing a 5 rd, 50 player event? Stand up, sheep, and be fleeced... er counted!

If I, as publisher of TEXAS KNIGHTS, paid a printer \$100 per month instead of the actual \$25, then I could be justly criticized for wasting TCA money.

I would not raise the irrelevant question of, Should a chess editor make money? Nor would I cry, "harsh criticism", and refuse to write another word.

The "over sensitive" Ft. Worth Chess Club was not criticized for making money, but for wasting potential prize money on unnecessary postage.

A more intelligent question is HOW should the host club make money?

When the TCA sponsors a tournament, it makes money by requiring that TCA dues be paid. The TCA does not keep any part of the entry fee money.

If the Dallas Chess Club needs money to pay its operating expenses, why not require each player in the North Texas Open tmt to pay Dallas Chess Club dues?

That way, a player from Muleshoe, Texas will get a Dallas Chess Club membership card which he can't use, and a subscription to the non-existent publication, DALLAS KNIGHTS.

ONE person can organize a tournament.

ONE phone call can arrange for playing space.

CHESS LIFE and TEXAS KNIGHTS will announce your tmts free of charge.

ONE stamp can be used to order enough tmt supplies for a year.

Let's pay the tmt director what he is worth.

The same person can collect fees, and prepare TCA and USCF reports.

Yes, the host club is entitled to something for its efforts.

Would you believe, a plaque?

Why should the Houston players be expected to pay for Ft. Worth Chess Club clocks?

Should a chess club expect charity?

How about a Dallas Chess Club BENEFIT Tmt?

A donation should be voluntary.

If I give money, the choice is mine.

I don't want to get taken.

November 9-10
CAPITAL CITY OPEN

5-round Swiss, 45/2, USCF rated event to be held at the Downtowner Motor Inn, 300 E. 11 (11th and San Jacinto St.) in Austin, Texas. Entry fee \$10 plus TCA membership. This tmt is sponsored by the University of Texas Chess Club. Guaranteed prizes: First \$100. Money prizes to Place Six as Entry permits. Generous Class prizes, such as clocks, chess sets, and books have been donated by the Hemphill Book Stores in Austin. Director: Denver L. Dolman. Register before 9 A.M. Saturday, November 9, 1968. Entries and Inquiries to Denver L. Dolman, P. O. Box 8397, Austin 78712.

December 21-22
NORTH TEXAS OPEN

Five round Swiss, will be played at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel. The time control is two hours for the first 45 moves, and 20 moves per hour thereafter. The Dallas Chess Club will be the host.

Prizes to be awarded as follows:

		<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-up</u>
First	*	\$100	\$60
Class A	*	40	10
Class B	*	30	10
Class C	*	20	10
Unrated	*		

* Denotes trophy

The entry fee is \$10. USCF and TCA memberships are required. James T. Campion will direct. First round begins 9:30 A. M.

All over the country, tmt organizers are playing the Dragon variation. Players of Texas, Unite! Don't let the host club Dragon devour your prize fund!

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