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CHURCH'S CHESS CHALLENGE



Chess master to test 25 opponents

DOVER TOWNSHIP — When Larry Christiansen was awarded the title of grandmaster in 1977 at the age of 21, he was the youngest chess player with that title in the world.

Christiansen, of Modesto, Calif., will display the talent that earned him grandmaster status when he plays 25 opponents simultaneously here next week.

The exhibition is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. March 7, at the township recreation building, Whitesville Road, the meeting place of the Toms River Chess Club.

Christiansen's appearance here is part of a nationwide tour sponsored by Church's Fried Chicken Inc., Austin, Texas.

The playing fee of \$5 a board for club members; \$4 for juniors or \$8 for others should be mailed to club president Steve Doyle, P.O. Box 426, Island Heights, N.J. 08732. Spectators will be admitted free.

Before he starts his task, Christiansen will give a short lecture on chess.

Christiansen's latest international tournament success came in December at Linares, Spain, where he placed first ahead of Viktor Korchnoi of Switzerland, the most recent challenger for the world championship.

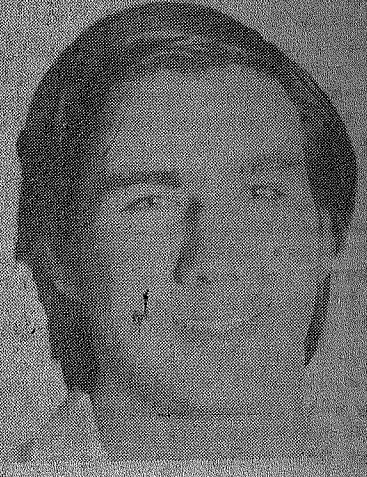
Winning tournaments is nothing new for Christiansen, who has been taking top prizes since his early years of competitive chess.

In 1975, when he gained his U.S. senior master's title at the age of 19, he won the Phoenix Open Tournament, the U.S. Junior Invitational and the San Diego open.

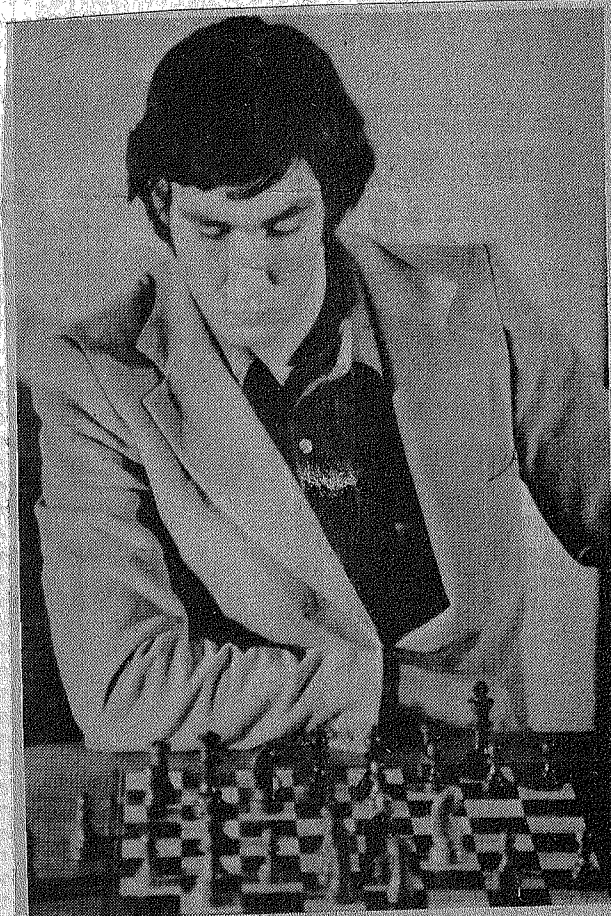
Later, he finished second in the world junior championship in Tjientiste, Yugoslavia.

With 3½ years of college behind him, Christiansen has suspended his studies for the national tour, which will take him to nearly 50 cities in the United States and Canada this year.

Despite his extensive background, Christiansen says he's "just average." He credits his chess ability to competitiveness and a good memory.



LARRY CHRISTIANSEN



BLIND FAITH — Larry Christiansen, blindfold chess champion, will demonstrate his feats 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Dover Township recreation building, Whitesville Road. For information call Steven Doyle at 929-0383.

U.S. women's chess winner due in Ocean

TOMS RIVER — Rachel Crotto of New York, the United States women's chess champion, will play simultaneously against 25 opponents here next week.

The exhibition, sponsored by the Toms River Chess Club, is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 29, at the Dover Township Recreation Building, Whitesville Road.

The playing fee is \$4 a board and can be mailed to club president Steve Doyle, P.O. Box 426, Island Heights, N.J. 08732.

Ms. Crotto won her title in convincing style last year in the national women's championship tournament at the University of California at Los Angeles. Winning 10 games and drawing one, she finished with a score of $10\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, two points ahead of the runner-up, Ruth Haring of San Francisco.

In 1978, Ms. Crotto was co-champion with Diane Savereide of Santa Monica, Calif., who placed third last year. Ms. Savereide had held the title since 1975. Ms. Crotto's draw was with Giesla Gresser of New York, who has won the national championship nine



RACHEL CROTTO
U.S. women's chess champion

times.

The simultaneous exhibition is open to the public and there is no admission charge.



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Steve Scholfield/Asbury Park Press

NEXT MOVE — U.S. women's chess champion Rachel Crotto considers a move at the board of Bob Donaldson, Dover Township, one of 25 players she played simultane-

ously last night at the Dover Township Recreation Building. Ms. Crotto lost twice and had two drawn games at the event sponsored by the Toms River Chess Club.



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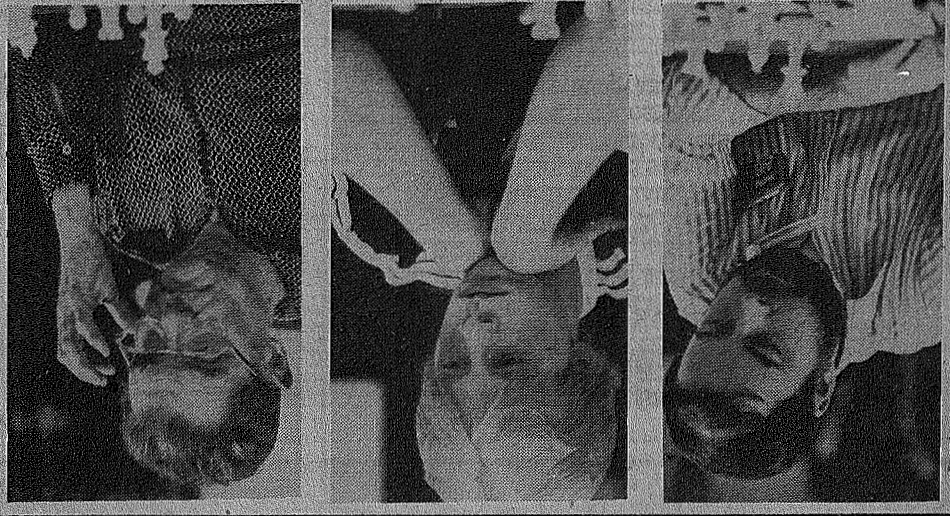






Three tie for chess title

Walter Griffin (left) of Berkeley Township tied for championship in Toms River Chess Club Open Section Championship. Fred Brandkamp (middle), Brick Township, was a booster champion, and Joseph Label (right), Dover Township, was winner of the scholastic title.



TOMS RIVER — The Toms River Chess Club completed their 1980 tournament yesterday with a three-way tie for the Open Section Championship.

The five-round Swiss system, held on five consecutive Fridays at the Dover Township Recreation Building, had 85 entrants.

A three-way tie made first place co-champions of George Krauss, Mt. Holly, Art Alkin, Beachwood, and Walt Griffin, Berkeley Township, with scores of 4 1/2-1/2.

The Class B Champion was Larry Miller, Eatontown, 3 1/2-1 1/2.

Class C champion was Bob Donaldson, here, 4-1.

Booster champions were Fred Brandkamp, Brick Township, 4 1/2-1 1/2; Doris

Bachsal, here, 4-1, and Al Etchells, Dover Township, 4-1.

Bill Hale, Brick Township, won the Class D championship and Mike Pinkelstein, here, won the Class E title, each with a score of 3 1/2-1 1/2.

The overall scholastic champion was Joseph Label, here, with a score of 4 1/2-1/2. Other scholastic winners were: Titus Stewart, 11th grade; Dwayne Stewart, 10th grade; Ken Nelson, ninth grade; Keith Nelson, eighth grade, and Scott Eaton, seventh grade, all here.

The elementary champion was Dan Pillone, Brielle.

In the Unrated Category, winners were Mike Farello, of Ocean Township in Monmouth County, and Irving Brown, Point Pleasant.

Resolution

OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS



COURT HOUSE
TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY

August 16, 1978

WHEREAS, the Toms River Chess Club has actively promoted chess as a game which sharpens the mind and instills good sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, a chess exhibition by Joel Benjamin, the youngest Chess Master, has been scheduled for September 30, 1978 in the Ocean County Mall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS of the COUNTY OF OCEAN that September 30, 1978 is hereby designated as

"OCEAN COUNTY CHESS DAY"

and the Board hereby commends the Toms River Chess Club and all others in Ocean County who enjoy and promote this wonderful pastime.

ATTEST:

A. Lane King
Clerk of the Board

Harold S. Gluck
Director of the Board

Resolution

OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY



November 7, 1979

WHEREAS, the Toms River Chess Club has actively

promoted chess as a recreational activity which sharpens the
mind and develops good sportsmanship and fellowship; and

WHEREAS, the 1979 Fall Championship of the Toms

River Chess Club will be conducted during the month of November,
highlighted by an exhibition by Mr. Andrew Soltis, International
Chess Master, at the Ocean County Mall on November 17, 1979:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF CHOSEN
FREEHOLDERS of the COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that

November 17, 1979 is hereby designated as

"OCEAN COUNTY CHESS DAY"

and the Board hereby commends the Toms River Chess Club and

all others in Ocean County who enjoy and promote this wonderful

pastime.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board



Director of the Board

Resolution

OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS



COURT HOUSE
TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY

November 2, 1977

WHEREAS, the Toms River Chess Club has actively promoted chess as a game which sharpens the mind and instills good sportsmanship; and

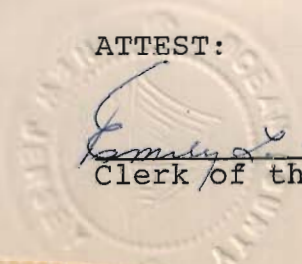
WHEREAS, a chess exhibition by International Grand Master William Lombardy has been scheduled for November 5, 1977 in the Ocean County Mall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS of the COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that November 5, 1977 is hereby designated as

"OCEAN COUNTY CHESS DAY"

and the Board hereby commends the Toms River Chess Club and all others in Ocean County who enjoy and promote this wonderful pastime.

ATTEST:


Emily J. Carter
Clerk of the Board

Ernest A. Bueh
Director

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Chess is a game that sharpens the mind, tests

human faculties, and encourages healthy competition; and

WHEREAS, Dover Township has the second largest chess pop-

ulation in the state of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to give proper recognition to

a game which provides intellectual stimulation and enjoyment

for many citizens;

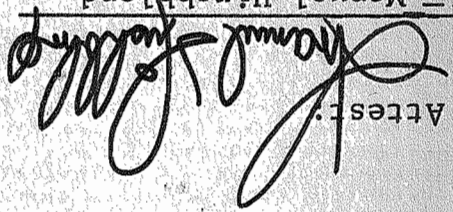
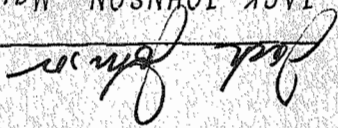
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY the Township Committee

of the Township of Dover, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey,

that Dover Township proclaims November 5, Nineteen-Hundred and

Seventy-seven as Chess Day in Dover Township.

JACK JOHNSON, Mayor



Attest:

L. Manuel Hirschblond

Clark/Administrator

P R O C L A M A T I O N

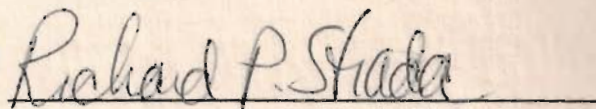
WHEREAS, Chess is a game that sharpens the mind, tests human faculties, and encourages healthy competition; and

WHEREAS, Dover Township has the second largest chess population in the state of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Toms River Chess Club has been a recreational part of Dover Township for the past twenty one years; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to give proper recognition to a game which provides intellectual stimulation and enjoyment for many citizens,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Committee of the Township of Dover, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that Dover Township proclaims Friday, September 30, 1978 as Chess Day in Dover Township.



RICHARD P. STRADA, Mayor



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Chess is a game that sharpens the mind, tests human faculties and encourages healthy

competitions; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has the fourth largest

chess population in the United States; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey was chosen by the American

Chess Foundation in 1976 for a junior pilot program; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to give proper

recognition to a game which provides intellectual

stimulation and enjoyment for many citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRENDAN BYRNE, Governor

of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim

OCTOBER 7, 1978

as

CHESS DAY

in New Jersey.



BY THE GOVERNOR:

DONALD LAN, SECRETARY OF STATE

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal
of the State of New Jersey, this
twenty-seventh day of July in the
year of Our Lord one thousand
nine hundred and seventy-eight and
in the Independence of the United
States, the two hundred and third.

GOVERNOR

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

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WHEREAS, it is appropriate to give proper recognition to a game which provides intellectual stimulation and enjoyment for many citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRENDAN BYRNE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim

OCTOBER 8, 1977

as

CHESS DAY

in New Jersey.



BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this seventh day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven and in the Independence of the United States, the two hundred and second.

Brendan Byrne
GOVERNOR

