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22nd Annual Arnold Denker Tournament of High School Chess Championship - August 6-11 - Oak Brook, ILThe Arnold Denker Tournament of High School Championship was named after the late grandmaster Arnold Denker who supported this tournament through many years. This years championship will be held at the Double Tree Oak Brook located in Oak Brook, IL. His son Mitchell Denker has vowed to continue the dream in the name of his father. High school players, representing their state will be competing for not only the prestigious title but also for a four-year college scholarship from the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD), valued at $40,000.

(CROSSVILLE, TN) Besides being an outstanding college, UTD has also been known to be highly competitive as far as chess is concerned. For information about the college, please contact The University of Texas at Dallas, 2601 North Floyd Road, Richardson, TX 75083-0688 or call at 972-883-2111. You can also visit them at their website at UTD website.

In addition to the college scholarship, through the generosity of GM Denker’s son, Mitchell and the U.S. Chess Trust, scholarships totaling $2,200 will be awarded between the top ten finishers. Additional details can be found at: http://www.uschess.org/scholastic/denker.html.

On Sunday, August 6 at 9 am a reception will be held to welcome those below who have accepted the challenge:

Alabama: Nathan H. Saint
Alaska: Matthew Parshall
Arizona: Vaishnav Aradhya
Arkansas: Christopher A. Adkins
Northern California: Daniel W. Schwarz
Southern California: Francis Chen
Colorado: Tyler Hughes
Connecticut: Christian Antonio
Florida: Brian Goldstein
Georgia: Javid M. Aceil
Hawaii: Robert M. Lau
Idaho: Jesse B. Brent
Illinois: Kayin Barclay
Indiana: Matthew A. Fouts
Iowa: Ian S. Beachler
Kansas: Maxx W. Coleman
Kentucky: Erik Patchell
Louisiana: R. J. Tagorda
Maryland: Jared E. Defibaugh
Massachusetts: Joshua Bakker
Minnesota: Matthew Carlson
Missouri: Kevin Guo
Nebraska: John Rolf
Nevada: Matthew Pedraza
New Hampshire: Steven Abrahams
New Jersey: Evan D. Ju
New Mexico: Frank Chen
New York: Gregory J. Kimmel
North Carolina: Nelson M. Lopez II
North Dakota: Luke Diekman
Ohio: Jonathan L. Hilton
Oklahoma: John Cope
Oregon: Corbin Yu
Pennsylvania: Daniel A. Yeager
South Carolina: Rade Robert Musulin
South Dakota: Nicholas J. Truelson
Tennessee: Philip B. Hinchman
Utah: Tony Chen
Vermont: Oliver Chase
Virginia: Edward J. Lu
Washington: Ricky T. Selzler
West Virginia: Jason Young
Wisconsin: Jesse Blashe

Please contact Alan Kantor at (931) 787-1234 ext. 128 or e-mail: clubs@uschess.org for this event. Once we have received confirmations from the following states, all 50 states will be represented: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Rhode Island, Texas, Wyoming.

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