

# THE 2007 FINAL FOUR

U.S. Intercollegiate Chess Team Championship

For The President's Cup

Dallas, Texas

March 24-25, 2007



## Tournament Rules



The 2007 Tournament Director is Bill Snead, International Arbitrator.

The tournament is a round-robin event with each team playing the other three teams. The winner will have the most points with a win counting as one point and a draw counting as half a point.

### **Official Time Controls:**

Game 120 with a 30 second increment each move.

This means that each player has a total of 120 minutes to make all of their moves for the entire game. Each player is accumulating some extra time at the rate of 30 seconds per move.

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# THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS



**ALEJANDRO RAMIREZ ALVAREZ – Board 1**

USCF rating: 2600

Home state/country: Costa Rica

Chess accomplishments: Grandmaster

Academic accomplishments: Arts & Technology-Sophomore

Other interest/hobbies: Reading books



**MAGESH PANCHANATHAN – Board 2**

USCF rating: 2538

Home state/country: India

Chess accomplishments: Grandmaster

Academic accomplishments: Computer Science-Graduate Student

Other interest/hobbies: Tennis and traveling



**MARKO ZIVANIC – Board 3**

USCF rating: 2548

Home state/country: Serbia

Chess accomplishments: International Master

Academic accomplishments: Computer Science-Sophomore

Other interests/hobbies: Soccer

# AT DALLAS CHESS TEAM

## **DRASKO BOSKOVIC – Board 4**

USCF rating: 2532

Home state/country: Serbia

Chess accomplishments: International Master

Academic accomplishments: Business Administration-Sophomore

Other interests/hobbies: Soccer



## **DMITRI SCHNEIDER – Alternate**

USCF rating: 2522

Home state/country: New York, U.S.A.

Chess accomplishments: International Master

Academic accomplishments: Finance-Senior

Other interest/hobbies: Traveling



## **DAVORIN KULJASEVIC – Alternate**

USCF rating: 2489

Home state/country: Croatia

Chess accomplishments: International Master

Academic accomplishments: Business Administration-Sophomore

Other interests/hobbies: Soccer



# THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND,



## **SERGEY ERENBURG – Board 1**

USCF rating: 2624 (est as FIDE 2574 + 50)

Home state/country: Russia

Chess accomplishments: 2003- getting the GM title, 2005- silver medals with Israeli national team at the European Team championship, 2005- qualifying to the World Cup 2005 from European Championship in Poland.

July 2006- sharing first in ACT Amsterdam Open.

September 2006- qualifying to World Blitz Championship in Israel.

Academic accomplishments:

Other interests/hobbies:



## **GM PAWEL BLEHM – Board 2**

“The Polish Magician”

USCF rating: 2593

Home state/country: Poland

Academic accomplishments: Financial Economics, senior

Chess Accomplishments: Vice-world champion under 14 in 1994; World Junior Team Championship member in 1999 and 2000; shared 2nd place in the European Championships under 20 in 2000; Six-time Polish junior champion.

Other interests/hobbies: Sports, traveling, history, literature and poker.



## **FM BRUCI LOPEZ – Board 3**

“The Cuban Cyclone”

USCF rating: 2462

Home state/country: Cuba

Chess accomplishments: First place in the Denker tournament of State High School Champions

Academic accomplishments: Computer Science

# BALTIMORE COUNTY CHESS TEAM

## **WGM KATRINA ROHONYAN – Board 4**

“The Kiev Killer”

USCF rating: 2346

Home state/country: Ukraine

Chess accomplishments: Champion in the Ukraine among girls under 12, 18 and 20 years old (1995, 1996, 2002, 2003); 1997 - vice-champion of Europe among girls under 14; 2000 - Ukrainian Woman Chess Champion; 2002 - European Team Chess Champion; 2002 - took the 4th place in the World Chess Championship among girls under 18; Woman International Master since 2002; Woman International Grandmaster since 2004; 9th in the World Chess Rating List among girls under 20.

Academic accomplishments: Computer Science, junior



## **BEEENISH BHATIA – Alternate**

“The Indian Tiger”

USCF rating: 2288

Home state/country: India

Major: Computer Science

Degree: Ph.D

Graduation date: 2008

Chess Accomplishments: National Champion U-16, U-18

Other interests/hobbies: Playing Cricket and listening to music



# MIAMI DADE COLLEGE



## **RENIER GONZALEZ – Board 1**

USCF rating: 2518

Home state/country: Cuba

Chess accomplishments: International Master with 2 Grand Master norms, 3-time qualifier for U.S. Chess Championship

Academic accomplishments: Computer Science

Other interest/hobbies: Sports and poker.



## **LIULIA CARDONA – Board 2**

USCF rating: 2273

Home state/country: Cuba

Chess accomplishments: Woman FIDE Master, 2nd Highest Rated Woman in Cuba 2006, Highest Rated Woman in Florida

Academic accomplishments: Civil Engineering

Other interest/hobbies: Singing & Music

# CHESSTEAM

## **CHARLES GALOERE – Board 3**

USCF rating: 2163

Home state/country: Florida, U.S.A.

Chess accomplishments: State of Florida High School Champion 2004, Pan Am Intercollegiate Top 4th Board 2005

Academic accomplishments: Business Administration



## **JAVIER GONZALEZ – Board 4**

USCF rating: 2101

Home state/country: Cuba

Chess accomplishments: Scholastics Grand Prix 2001, 1st Place Miami Dade College / Dr. Armando Bucco, Sr. High School Chess Tournament 2003, Top 3rd Board South Regional Chess Tournament 2006

Academic accomplishments: Honors College – Civil Engineering

Other interest/hobbies: Sports





## **LEV MILMAN – Board 1**

USCF rating: 2513

Home state/country: New York, U.S.A.

Chess accomplishment: International Master (2 GM norms)

Academic accomplishments: Economics, Markets and Management Studies

Other interest/hobbies: AEPi, all things entrepreneurial, looking like Peyton Manning, large chip stacks, and putting the collar down.



## **FM MATTHEW HOEKSTRA – Board 2**

USCF rating: 2371

Home state/country: North Carolina, U.S.A.

Chess accomplishment: Fide Master

Academic Accomplishments: Political Science, Latin American Studies

Other interest/hobbies: DKE, 80s culture, pastels, yacht clubs, embroidered crests, Brooks Brothers, golfing, Paris, Mitt Romney, and bringing the ascot back

# CHES TEAM

## **ANNA LEVINA – Board 3**

USCF rating: 2072

Home state/country: New York, U.S.A.

Chess Accomplishment: Women's Fide Master

Academic Accomplishments: Biology

Other interest/hobbies: Psi Upsilon, Beyonce's "To the left, to the left", badminton, frisbee, and reading



## **RORY WASIOLEK – Board 4**

USCF rating: 2069

Home state/country: Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Chess Accomplishment: Expert

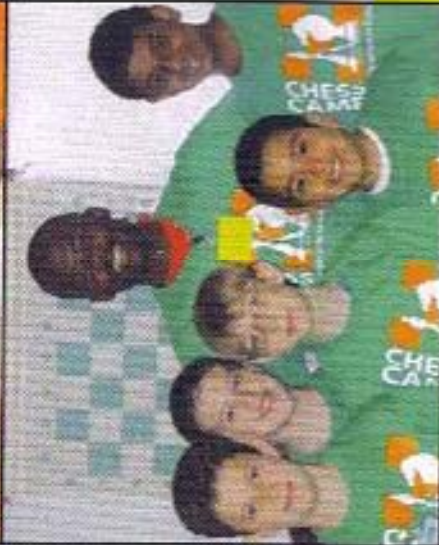
Academic Accomplishments: Mathematics, Chemistry

Other interest/hobbies: ATO, claiming relation to the most famous woman at Duke, Abercrombie, living in more states than most people have visited, and falling asleep in odd locations





Parents across the country are recognizing the benefits of chess instruction for their children. Chess develops reading and math abilities, critical and analytical thinking, character and self-esteem. But don't tell the children that! They think... **Chess is Fun!**



# Summer 2007 Chess Camps

@ The University of Texas at Dallas

**June 4-8 July 9-13**

**June 11-15 July 16-20**

Children ages 7 to 13 with new ABC class for adults!



**UTD instructors include top-ranked and internationally known winners of multiple Pan-American Intercollegiate Team Chess Championships.**

Classes are divided by ability, age, experience, and instructor assessment. Classes are small and have a low student-to-teacher ratio. Special attention is made to requests for friends and relatives to be grouped together.

- **Beginning players** will master the basic rules and fundamentals.
- **Intermediate players** will build upon basic chess knowledge with key strategies and ideas.
- **Advanced players** will sharpen their competitive edge with advanced strategies for tournament play.
- **Absolute Beginners Class (ABC)** is for beginning adults with little or no chess knowledge. Adults will learn how to organize scholastic chess clubs and participate in tournaments.

#### Costs

#### Weekly Rates:

Morning-only sessions: 9 a.m. - noon

Mar. 1 - May 26 = \$225; \$240 after May 27

Afternoon-only session: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Mar. 1 - May 26 = \$225; \$240 after May 27

#### Extended playing classes for children of commuting parents:

7:30 - 9:00 a.m., \$15 daily (pay \$75 in advance)

4:00 - 5:30 p.m., \$15 daily (pay \$75 in advance)

#### Adult ABC class:

Same weekly rates as above unless a child is enrolled. In which case, a \$50 discount is applied to the above rates.

**Camp tuition includes a camp T-shirt, a chess board and pieces, medal, certificate, score book, and group photo for each camper.**

#### Register Online

Visit the UTD Chess Program website for registrations forms, links, and easy instructions about how to register online with a credit card or how to mail forms with payment by check.

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