

"Chess, like mathematics, deals with combinations and relations between things which are not material things, which belong to a different order of reality from the world we can see and touch. Chess is an art, chess is a study, chess is of the noblest inventions of the human mind."

C. E. M. Joad, British Philosopher

Chess Team Crushes Stewart Warner, 8-2. Sept. 23 marked our club's successful debut into League competition. On that evening ten members of the club met a group of chess players from Stewart Warner at the Palmer House and walked away with the contest, 8 to 2. The shortest games of the meet were Marv Smith's 15 minute massacre and Loren Carter's 20 minute chess lesson to a substitute playing at the 4th board. Bill Stevenson completely baffled his opponent with a King's Indian Reversed opening and Brotsos had an easy time on the black side of the Dragon Variation of the Sicilian Defense. Bob Trachsler's relentless king side attack ground his adversary into submission without much trouble. Tom Holder played black against a Giuoco Piano and was busy bringing a mating attack to its climax when he had a moment of chess blindness and lost his queen and (about 30 moves later) the game. Del Ziegler and Charlie Kolls deserve a pat on the back for turning lost games into victories. Bill Herschberger worked hardest for his win against the visitor's veteran. He finally picked up a bishop and had a rook in the bag when his opponent resigned. Ernie Amodi, one of our most improved players, suffered from stage fright and lost his match game. The individual scores were as follows:

The L. P. C. C.		Stewart Warner
T. Holder	lost to	H. Williamson
W. Stevenson	beat	E. Wakabayashi
C. Herschberger	beat	A. Campbell
L. Carter	beat	W. Minkus
J. Brotsos	beat	C. Luth
C. Kolls	beat	R. Soriano
M. Smith	beat	L. Mansuetta
R. Trachsler	beat	R. Heiss
D. Ziegler	beat	G. Parks
E. Amodi	lost to	R. Lucchesi

Our next match will be at the Chicago Title & Trust Co. downtown. This promises to be a much stronger club; it is older and more established than S. W. and boasts at least one expert, John Dunworth who drew with Reshevsky in last spring's simultaneous exhibition.

Members who indicate they will play in this match are asked to notify Stevenson, Brotsos, or Bradley if circumstances prevent them from attending. A phone call as late as the day of the match can prevent the opponent's furnishing a chess player who will have no one to play.

It is also suggested that members, at least in the top 6 positions, keep records of their match games so that the club officers can check them over for flaws in our play or peculiarities in our opponents' openings. Information of this type can amount to a scouting file and will be useful as competition becomes tougher.

Other League Scores. Last week the other league teams played their opening matches with the following results: The 1st Nat'l Bank team won, 6 - 2 and their club won, 6 - 3 against Ill. Bell. Chic. T. & T. won the team match from Western Elec., 4 1/2 - 3 1/2 but lost the club competition, 7 1/2 - 5 1/2.

Board of Directors Meeting. On Sept. 23 the club Board of Directors held its first formal meeting. The treasurer's petty cash fund (\$13.69) was counted and found to be in good order.

The simultaneous chess exhibition was discussed and it was decided to cancel this event this fall. Despite repeated attempts to contact Sol Friedman, he still has not agreed to a specific date for the match. As an alternate activity, however, Bradley, Stevenson, Herschberger, and Holder have indicated that they are willing to play several boards at once. Therefore we will plan to have simultaneous chess featuring some or all of these aces at the next meeting, Oct. 14.

It was decided to place an order for another year's subscription to the Chess Review. Also, the book, The World's Great Chess Games, and a set of wooden, felted, weighted chessmen (with a 3 1/4 in. King) are being ordered as prizes for next year.

Since elections are right around the corner, nominations were discussed. It was decided to allow members to nominate themselves, as well as others, for office; the attached blank is provided for this purpose. Remember, according to the constitution, Brotsos and Bradley cannot continue serving in their present positions in 1958.

Contest Scoring. The judge of the problem solving contest has assigned numerical values to each of the contest problems for purposes of evaluating answer sheets. The problems were judged on such factors as number of initial moves open to white, number of moves or variations required in the solution, the relative subtlety of the winning motif, and the extent to which the moves are forced. The value of each problem is as follows:

1. 6	4. 7	7. 7	10. 8
2. 9	5. 7	8. 6	
3. 5	6. 7	9. 11	Total <u>73</u>

Incidentally, "White to move and win" does not mean white wins on the move nor does it necessarily mean a mate must be demonstrated.

Ladder Climber. Last month's ladder climber was Charlie Kolls who picked up 87 points during the period. Charlie gained these points by beating Caine one out of 5 games. Stevenson topped Holder's high score by rising to a rating of 1319 after beating Tom. The following members are reminded to play their ladder games for Sept. by the next meeting: Ziegler, Lessard, and Carter.

The Lakeside Press Chess Club Nominations for 1958 Offices

I nominate the following members for offices:

- For President
- For Sec'y-Treas.
- For Team Captain

Signed.....

Chess Review News. The Sept. issue of the Chess Review includes a news item mentioning our club. Unfortunately, it refers to our 5 - 1 loss to Western Electric in last May's match.

Ladder Play Ratings Sept. 30

Stevenson	1319	Trachsler	806
Herschberger	1231	Ziegler	780
Holder	1183	Fox	763
Bradley	1173	Kasch	760
Brotsos	1140	Amodel	742
Mayer	1129	Ross	740
Carter	1113	Ravesloot	686
Stauffer	1052	Moysich	637
Dolezal	959	Vondrak	582
Kolls	956	Lessard	499
M. Smith	935	Iftner	472
Hoebake	856		

Note. Rolland Caine has withdrawn from ladder competition.

Jim Brotsos, President, The Lakeside Press Chess Club

"Chess rivals in strangeness and splendor the reputed Seven Wonders of the World, and the way of an eagle in the air. For it has bridged East and West, and it has kept untarnished its original lure through thirteen centuries. That a game should merely remain in existence so long is remarkable enough - amid changing fashions. Yet chess has remained always the king of games."

C. J. S. Purdy, Australian Chess Writer and Journalist

Most Active Member Election. Last December the club decided that at the end of this season a club vote would be taken to elect the most active member of 1957. Candidates were to be judged on their interest in the club and their relative participation in club activities. As an aid in making a choice the enclosed table has been prepared listing objective data related to club activity. In judging these data the voter should not ignore extenuating circumstances such as night shift schedules which might affect some of the members' ability to maintain activity. Every member is eligible for the most active member award. The prize will be the winner's choice of trophy or chess materials after the "best player" and "most improved player" make their choices from the general prize pool. All members are asked to participate in this election. The attached ballot is provided for your convenience. Send completed forms to Brotsos, 1D-4. Members who prefer to vote by secret ballot are requested to indicate this on the blank. If more than one such request is received, a supplementary secret ballot vote will be taken at the next meeting, Oct. 28. All ballots for this election must be submitted by the end of the next meeting. The member receiving the most votes will win the contest. If more than one member receives the high number of votes, a re-election restricted to the tied members will take place.

New Member. The officers of the club would like to welcome Anders Richter of Sales Forecasting into our group. Andy hails from Hyde Park. He is 28, single, has been with the company for 5 years, and has played chess for 16 years.

Membership Status. A review of our membership history for this year is very gratifying. At the beginning of the year we had only 14 active members. Since then we have gained 17 new members, lost 3 of these through separation, and now have a membership of 28 men, most of them active. The average attendance at our regular meetings has been 10.

Birthday Greetings. Three of our members are celebrating their birthdays this month. We wish to extend a "Happy Birthday" to Bill Vondrak, Bob Trachsler, and Bill Stevenson.

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The Lakeside Press Chess Club Most Active Player Award Official Ballot

Please fill out in ink.

I vote for.....as most active member of 1957.

.... I prefer to vote by secret ballot at the next meeting.

Signed

Ladder Ratings, Oct. 15, 1957

	Current Rating	Base Rating
Stevenson	1319	1256
Bradley	1263	1116
Herschberger	1231	1225
Brotsos	1145	1013
Mayer	1129	
Stauffer	1090	
Carter	1086	1040
Holder	1026	1063
Dolezal	959	
M. Smith	939	
Kolls	910	887
Trachsler	871	973
Hoebake	856	
Amodei	818	648
Ziegler	780	
Fox	763	
Kasch	760	
Moysich	758	693
Ross	740	
Ravesloot	686	
Richter	625	
Vondrak	564	509
Lessard	499	
Iftner	472	637

Note: Members with no listing of base rating are ineligible for best or most improved player award due to inactivity or late entry into competition.

Team Loses to Chicago Title & Trust. Last night the L. P. C. C. team made a good try but lost to C. T. & T., 6-3 (the team score was 5-3). Our winners were Herschberger and Bradley at the no. 2 and 3 boards, respectively. They both won without much difficulty. At the first board Stevenson had an edge on the opponent's highly respected Dunworth but couldn't push to a win and earned a draw in the toughest battle of the evening. Brotsos had a knight and 5 pawn advantage only to blunder it away and lose at the 4th board. Little is known about the losses by Carter, Trachsler, Smith, and Vondrak except that they were very close games. Newcomer Richter turned a lost game into an easy win with a 2 rook edge, but then caused a stalemate by queening a pawn. And so it seems that blunderitis made the difference in the results of this hard fought match.

Stork Visits Kasch. Congratulations to Cal Kasch of Department K on the recent addition to his family. Haven't heard yet if it's a boy or a girl.

Jim Brotsos, President, L. P. C. C.

THE LAKESIDE PRESS CHESS CLUB INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITY, JAN. 1 - OCT. 15, 1957

Date Entered Club (New Members)	Regular Meetings Attended	Ladder Games Played	Extra Activities					
			Team Matches Attended	Sessions of Speed Tourney Attended	Visits, Hospital Chess	Heshevsky Exhibition	Constitution Committee	
Amodei	4/29	8	16	1				
Bradley		19	26	5	2		X	
Brotsos		19	43	6	2		X	
Caine	2/18	2	5					
Carter		5	33	3				
Dolezal		5	8		2			
Fox		1	6					
Herschberger		6	14	5	2		X	
Hoebake		2	8	1				
Holder		14	57	2	2		X	X
Iftner		2	12				X	
Kasch	3/18	8	19	2	1			
Kolls	2/4	9	29	4	1			
Lessard	2/18	11	17		2			
Mayer		9	14	3	1			
Moysich		16	38	1	2	6	X	
Ravesloot		4	11	1				
Richter	9/30	2	3	1				
Ross		5	12		1			
M. Smith	9/16	3	5	2				
Stauffer		6	8	2				
Stevenson		15	15	5	2		X	
Stupak	7/8	1	0					
Trachsler		9	24	5				
Vondrak		13	41	4	2	1		
Ziegler		8	28	2		4		X

Note: Two members, H. Grantham and E. Smith, have attended no meetings and played no ladder games this year.