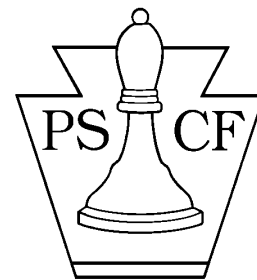
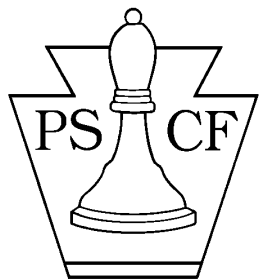


University of Pittsburgh



30-5 Regular

Thursday Feb 19 & 26

Dining Room C, 1st Floor, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh, 5th Ave. & Bigelow Blvd., Pittsburgh PA 15213

Tournament Organization: 4 Round Swiss System. **Time Control:** Game /30 Minutes with 5-second Delay.

Registration: In Advance. **Rounds:** 2/19: 7:30pm - 8:45pm; 2/26: 7:30pm - 8:45pm

Information: martinak_tom_m@hotmail.com or 412-908-0286.

In order to get a USCF rating, it will be necessary to become a member of that organization. (Everyone playing in the tournament needs to be a member in order for the tournament to be rated.) For most students this will cost \$30/year. You can pay this with your entry to the tournament, so that your membership can be processed before the event and we'll be ready to run it. You can pay me with cash or a check. I have also set up a Venmo account: @Martinak-Tom. You could also pay for a membership on the uschess.org website, though it will cost \$3 more there. The main thing we'll need is your 8-digit USCF membership id. I would advise using your home address for your membership,

There will be 4 rounds to this event with the time of the beginning of each round specified above. If you can't make one of the rounds, you can let us know ahead of time and you will be given a .5-bye for that round. It is not a rated game, but will be treated like a draw for the tournament. You will want to play all 4 games if possible so that you will get a published rating. You will be playing touch move - touching a piece means you have to move that piece - so be sure about your plans! You will need to keep score for this time control. I would recommend some practice games before the tournament to get used to the time control and scorekeeping. For those used to on-line chess, it can be much different physically moving the pieces.

The USCF has three different over-the-board ratings: Blitz, Quick and Regular. Which rating is effected depends upon the time control of the event. For this event both your Quick & Regular ratings will change based upon your results. For this event there will not be an entry fee and there won't be any prizes. You will be playing for the game experience and to get (or change) your Quick & Regular ratings. Our weekend events normally will include an entry fee and prizes, but we have generally been able to get the SGB and our club to subsidize those fees for full-time students.

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

if US Chess Federation member, ID #: _____ Exp Date: _____ Rating: _____

Feb 19 & 26 Reg USCF (Adult \$51, Young Adult \$30, Youth \$21: _____ (required if not currently a member)
Ages 19 to 23 Ages 18 & Under

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