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- 23rd Street -  
Missoula, Montana

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Mr. James R. Felt  
Mont. Corp. Bldg.  
Billings, Mont.

Dear Jim:

We are pleased you have decided to host the 1966 State Chess Tournament. April 30 and May 1 would be fine with us. Dr. Lipiken, our '65 president, has asked me to answer your letter.

The first item, I believe, would be for you Billings players to agree among yourselves which of you will be president for this year, and who will be secretary-treasurer. This is usually announced, along with plans for the tournament, as soon as plans are made, in a newspaper release. There should be a follow-up news story just before the tournament.

There is some money on hand, and this will be sent to you. Our secretary, Aron Hitchcock, will also mail you everything else he has that might be helpful. If we can be of further assistance, call on us.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ralph Hansen  
711 South 4th West  
Missoula, Montana

(cc: Ellak Papp  
Larry Porter  
lc)

628 South 4th Street W.  
Missoula, Montana  
January 8, 1966

James Felt  
Montana Corporation Building  
117 N. 27th Street  
Billings, Montana 59101

Dear Mr. Felt,

I am mailing the Association Fund a day or so later than the supplies due to the fact that I did not know how much the freight would cost on it and if I waited, I could include this item on the financial statement as I have done. I read your letter to Ralph Hansen and have been getting the supplies and paperwork readied to mail to you and your club for next year's tournament.

I did not make a new mailing list but did revise the old one, nor did I make out a list of the supplies as was done by Mr. Barto last year. I think that you will find that about the same items are included in this year's supplies. Enclosed find a check for \$80 and the 1965 Financial Statement. I included in the books the receipts, correspondence, and so on that we used in organizing our tournament so that they might be of some help to you in organizing your tournament. The only suggestion that I might have is that you might find it necessary to raise the entrance fee next year slightly to come out on your funds.

Please don't hesitate to write and ask us if you have any questions on last year's tournament or your forthcoming one.

Best of luck for a very successful 1966 tournament!

Sincerely,

AARON HITCHCOCK

Aaron D. Hitchcock  
1965 Sec-treas.  
Montana Chess Association

(cc: Larry Porter ✓  
Ellak Papp  
lc)

*Handwritten note:* I think you should  
add the \$80 to the fund  
I will see this book about with the \$80

# FIRST NATIONAL BANK

BILLINGS, MONTANA

January 18, 1966

Montana Chess Association  
1910 Belvedere  
Billings, Montana

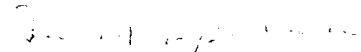
Dear Mr. Porter:

Thank you for the checking account that you just opened with us. We are happy to welcome you as depositors.

We hope that in selecting this bank as a depository for your funds, you will consider it your bank. Please feel free to call on us whenever we can be of assistance.

It will be a pleasure to serve you, not only through your checking account, but through any of our other services that you may find helpful or convenient.

Sincerely,

  
James F. Spelman  
Vice President

JFS/cb

Feb. 1 1966

Billings will host Montana Chess Association 31st annual tournament on April 30 and May 1 at the Northern Hotel, according to Larry Porter, 1966 secretary-treasurer of the association. Ellak Papp was elected president and James R. Felt vice-president at a recent meeting to finalize plans for the tournament.

The association anticipates that fifty or more players from Montana and nearby states will enter in the three classes of play. Interested players who do not receive invitations may contact Porter at 1910 Belvedere Drive, Billings, for further details.

Porter said, "Former state chess champions Ellak Papp and Gerald Moore will play and try to bring the championship back to Billings. Dr. Lapiken of Missoula is current champion."

Class B is open to all players who have not played in class A in prior tournaments. A junior class is open for those 13 years and under. Trophies will be awarded in all three classes for first three places. If enough interest is shown, a novice class will be added.

(Mail to all papers listed on page 4 of attached list and to KULR and KOCK TV and to Radio KGEL, KOCK, KOKM, KUNL, and ARMY)

MONTANA CHESS ASSOCIATION  
BILLINGS, MONTANA

Feb. , 1966

TO ALL CHESS PLAYERS:

Billings, Montana, will host the 31st Annual Tournament of the Montana Chess Association on Saturday and Sunday, April 30, and May 1, 1966. Registration and games will be conducted at the Northern Hotel.

Championships will be decided in three classes and trophies will be presented to top three players in each class. Classes will be as follows:

1. Championship class or Class A -- open to all.
2. Class B, intended for players who feel they would be classified lower than A in any of the recognized rating systems, and who do not wish to compete in the championship class. Previous winners of this class must play in the championship class.
3. Junior class - under 18 years of age - or 18 years old.

A five-round Swiss tournament will be played in all classes, with approximately four hours allotted for each round. Play will be at the rate of fifty moves in the first two hours, and twenty-five moves per hour thereafter. Games not decided in the allotted time will be adjourned and considered as draws for the purpose of the next round pairings and will be completed later if time permits. Games will be adjudicated only if time prevents their completion. Tie Breaking will be S-B, Solkoff, and Median points, in that order.

An entry fee of \$5.50 will be charged for Championship and Class B and \$1.50 for Junior Class. Entry fee includes Saturday nite dinner for Adults and Sunday buffet luncheon for adults and juniors. Juniors desiring to be included in the Saturday nite dinner meeting must pay an additional \$3.00 for their dinner.

The annual dinner meeting will be held at the Northern Hotel, Saturday evening. Wives, husbands, family members, and friends are welcome (at \$3.00 per plate of course).

As nearly as possible the following schedule will be followed:

Saturday, April 30:

Registration	10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
1st round	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Annual dinner meeting	5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
2nd round	7:30 p.m. to 12:00 midnite

Sunday, May 1:

3rd round	8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
(Buffet lunch served in playing rooms about 12:30)	
4th round	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
5th round	5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Please note that this is not a USCF rated event. It is open to all chess players with no geographical restrictions nor requirements for affiliation with any chess organization.

This notice is being sent to all persons on the Montana Chess Assn. 1965 mailing list. However, it cannot be expected that this list is complete. If you know of anyone who might be interested and has not been notified, we will appreciate having you send us his name and address.

Please bring boards, men, and chess clocks if available. C U at the tournament.

List of Montana Chess Association Material  
in my possession as of January, 1966.

Wooden plaque with space for 24 names

Cloth flag (approx. 18 x 24) reading Montana Chess Assn.

Score card supplies, pencils, and tally papers

Stapler, punch, marking pencil, paper clips, misc. supplies

7 5¢ stamped envelopes- business office size

Copy of "The Official Blue Book and Encyclopedia of Chess" by Kenneth Harlan

2 loose-leaf binders with records of state tournaments going back to 1960.

A wooden box to hold all this

MR. CLARENCE S. SULLIVAN  
1910 2ND AVENUE N.W.  
BILLYEY, MONTANA 59501

## Billings to Host Chess Players

Billings will host Montana Chess Association 31st annual tournament April 30 and May 1.

About 50 players from Montana and adjoining states are expected to attend, according to Larry Porter, 1910 Belvedere Drive, association president.

Three classes will compete in games at the Northern Hotel. Class A, Class B for those who have not played in Class A in prior tournaments; and a Junior Class for 18 years and under.

## Chess Tourney Opens Saturday

Between 50 and 60 Montana and out-of-state chess players will attempt to checkmate opponents during the 31st annual Montana Chess Association tournament at the Northern Hotel Saturday and Sunday.

The five-round play will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday in three classes — championship, B and junior (for those 18 and under). The public may watch.

Ellak Papp, Billings, is MCA president and Larry Porter, Billings, secretary-treasurer.

MONTANA STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of annual dinner meeting held 7:00 PM, Apr. 30, 1966, Northern Hotel. Ellak Papp, Pres., Presiding; Larry Porter, Secy.-Treas.

Meeting conducted by Pres. Ellak Papp who gave a welcoming address to all players.

Havre and Great Falls both placed a bid for the 1967 tournament. After some discussion, a formal vote was taken and Havre won by a 2 to 1 vote.

Officers elected for the 1967 tournament were:


Leonard Severson, Pres.

Jack Riley, Vice Pres.

John D. Fields, Secy.-Treas.

All three officers are from Havre and the host club will be the Northern Montana College Chess Club.

It was suggested by Larry Porter that a permanent secretary-treasurer of the Montana State Chess Association be elected and that an annual dues fee of \$1.00 be assessed each member of the association. This would provide for continuity of membership, addresses, postage, and probably assist on the costs of the annual tournament. Suggestion did not meet the approval of the majority and no vote was taken.

  
Larry Porter,  
Secy.-Treas.

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First place traveling plaque for Class A was given to Dr. Lapikien and Ralph Hansen of Missoula to keep until next year.



31ST MONTANA STATE CHESS TOURNAMENT

Billings, Montana

April 30-May 1, 1966

CLASS A CHAMPIONSHIP

Place	Player	From	Round					W-L-D	Score	Points	
			1	2	3	4	5			S-B	Solk
1	Wally Albert	Missoula	W-5	W-11	W-8	W-9	D-3	4-0-1	4 $\frac{1}{2}$		
2	Mike Murray	Missoula	W-20	L-4	W-14	W-10	W-8	4-1-9	4		
3	Hector Gonzales	Gt. Falls	W-14	L-8	W-15	W-4	D-1	3-1-1	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	12-3/4	
4	Peter Lapiken	Missoula	D-10	W-1	W-6	L-3	W-9	3-1-1	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	
5	Ingwald Stromborg	Kalispell	L-1	D-18	W-12	W-11	W-10	3-1-1	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	
6	Alan D. Strout	Billings	W-12	L-7	L-4	W-17	W-14	3-2-0	3		12 $\frac{1}{2}$
7	Dmitry Berkoff	Bozeman	W-18	W-6	L-9	L-8	W-13	3-2-0	3		12
8	Kenneth Shinn	Billings	W-15	W-3	L-1	W-7	L-2	3-2-0	3	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	
9	Ellak Papp	Billings	W-17	W-13	W-7	L-1	L-4	3-2-0	3	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
10	Robert Burley	Casper	D-4	W-20	W-13	L-2	L-5	2-2-1	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	3-3/4	
11	Jack Reddy	Helena	W-19	L-1	D-18	L-5	W-15	2-2-1	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	
12	J. B. Spaulding	Helena	L-6	D-17	L-5	W-20	W-18	2-2-1	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1-3/4	
13	John Barto	Gt. Falls	W-16	L-9	L-10	W-18	L-7	2-3-0	2	3	2-3/4
14	Flora Lapiken	Missoula	L-3	W-19	L-2	W-16	L-6	2-3-0	2	3	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
15	Wasył Jarosz	Bozeman	L-8	W-16	L-3	W-19	L-11	2-3-0	2	3	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
16	George Zimmerman	Billings	L-13	L-15	W-20	L-14	W-19	2-3-0	2	1	
17	Paul Shanley	Deer Lodge	L-9	D-12	L-19	L-6	W-20	1-3-1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	
18	Ralph Hansen	Missoula	L-7	D-5	D-11	L-13	L-12	0-3-2	1	1-3/4	
19	L. W. Dunkin	Gt. Falls	L-11	L-14	W-17	L-15	L-16	1-4-0	1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	
20	Mason Rowe	Virginia	L-2	L-10	L-16	L-12	L-17	0-5-0	0		

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CLASS B. CHAMPIONSHIP

Place	Player	From	Round					W-L-D	Score	Points	
			1	2	3	4	5			S-B	Solk.
1	J. R. Ward	Tacoma, Wash.	W-16	W-11	W-13	W-2	W-5	5-0-0	5		
2	Mike Jensen	Missoula	W-6	W-10	W-3	L-1	W-9	4-1-0	4	11½	
3	Steve Hanson	Missoula	W-14	W-5	L-2	W-9	W-4	4-1-0	4	9½	
4	Ted Applebaum	Billings	L-5	W-8	W-15	W-6	L-3	3-2-0	3	7	
5	Dennis Cook	Havre	W-4	L-3	W-16	W-7	L-1	3-2-0	3	6	
6	John Hammen	Missoula	L-2	W-14	W-12	L-4	W-11	3-2-0	3	5	12
7	Norl Rosetta	Helena	L-9	W-15	W-11	L-5	W-12	3-2-0	3	5	10½
8	Bela Papp	Billings	L-10	L-4	W-14	W-16	W-13	3-2-0	3	2½	
	Leonard P. Severson	Havre	W-7	D-13	W-10	L-3	L-2	2-2-1	2½		
10	John D. Fields	Havre	W-8	L-2	L-9	L-12	W-14	2-3-0	2	4	
11	John Austreng	Gt. Falls	W-12	L-1	L-7	W-13	L-6	2-3-0	2	3½	
12	John F. Riley	Helena	L-11	W-16	L-6	W-10	L-7	2-3-0	2	2	
13	Ronald Talmage	Havre	W-15	D-9	L-1	L-11	L-8	1-3-1	1½		
14	Bill Hartpence	Billings	L-3	L-6	L-8	W-15	L-10	1-4-0	1	1	
15	Eva Shanley	Deer Lodge	L-13	L-7	L-4	L-14	W-16	1-4-0	1	0	
16	Robert Southern, Jr.	Jackson, Wyo.	L-1	L-12	L-5	L-8	L-15	0-5-0	0		

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JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Place	Player	From	Round					W-L-D	Score	Points	
			1	2	3	4	5			S-B	Solk
1	Cody Montalban	Billings	W-11	W-6	W-2	W-3	W-7	5-0-0	5		
2	Steve Butler	Billings	W-7	W-9	L-1	W-4	W-3	4-0-0	4		
3	Gerald Bollinger	Glasgow	W-10	W-4	W-6	L-1	L-2	3-2-0	3	8	
4	Lyno Sullivan	Billings	W-5	L-3	W-7	L-2	W-8	3-2-0	3	7	
5	Carl Porter	Billings	L-4	W-12	W-9	L-7	W-11	3-2-0	3	5	
6	Tom Skinner	Glasgow	W-8	L-1	L-3	W-12	W-9	3-2-0	3	4	
7	Don Applebaum	Billings	L-2	W-8	L-4	W-5	L-1	2-3-0	2	5	
8	Kay Johnson	Glasgow	L-6	L-7	W-10	W-11	L-4	2-3-0	2	3	
	Bill Phillips	Billings	W-12	L-2	L-5	W-10	L-6	2-3-0	2	2	
10	Mike LaGaly	Billings	L-3	W-11	L-8	L-9	W-12	2-3-0	2	1	
11	Charlotte Coles	Glasgow	L-1	L-10	W-12	L-8	L-5	1-4-0	1		
12	Sharyn Askvig	Glasgow	L-9	L-5	L-11	L-6	L-10	0-5-0	0		

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS  
OF THE  
MONTANA STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be the "Montana State Chess Association".

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The purposes of this organization are:

- (A) To promote the popularity of the game of chess in Montana.
- (B) To encourage the formation of local chess clubs in Montana.
- (C) To conduct a state championship tournament each year in a host city.
- (D) To elect officers who will ensure the existence of a tournament each year.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

- 1. Any person may become a member of the organization upon payment of the annual dues.
- 2. In the event that any member of the organization should be guilty of conduct which in the judgement of three-fourths of the membership shall tend to bring the game of chess into disrepute, his membership may be revoked.

ARTICLE IV

ORGANIZATION

- 1. The officers of the association shall be a president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and five directors.
- 2. The past president shall be one of the five directors.
- 3. The four remaining directors shall serve 4 year non-concurrent terms.
- 4. Should a vacancy occur, it shall be filled by a majority vote of the membership of the organization at its annual meeting.

## ARTICLE V

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The president shall:
  - (a) Preside at all meetings of the association.
  - (b) Preside at all meetings of the officers of the association.
  - (c) Be responsible for the organization of the annual tournament.
  - (d) Appoint all committees.
2. The vice-president shall:
  - (a) Assist the president.
  - (b) Preside at all meetings in the absent of the president.
3. The secretary-treasurer shall:
  - (a) Keep the minutes of all meetings.
  - (b) Carry on the correspondence of the club.
  - (c) Collect all authorized dues.
  - (d) Deposit all funds received by him with a bank designated by the officers of the association.
  - (e) Make disbursements as authorized by the officers of the association.
  - (f) Prepare a financial statement for presentation at the annual meeting.

### DIRECTORS

- (a) Advise the president.
- (b) Accept any portfolio the president might assign them.

### OFFICERS

- (a) Organize and hold a general meeting each year concurrent with the annual tournament.
- (b) Mail to the membership the final standing of the annual tournament each year.
- (c) Present to the membership proposals for changes to the by-laws and constitution each year.

ARTICLE VI

DUES

The annual dues for membership in the <sup>Association</sup> club shall be 25¢.

ARTICLE VII

MEETING

1. There shall be an annual meeting of the membership of the association concurrent with the annual tournament.
2. The officers may meet at any time and any place upon call of the president or his alternate.
3. One director, the president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer shall be elected and any other vacancies filled at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS

This constitution or by-laws may be changed or amended by a two-thirds vote of the entire membership.