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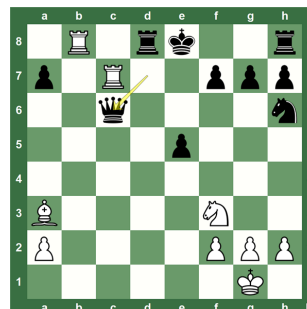


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## Chess Puzzle

Forced Mate in 3 Moves

White to Move



(from Paul Morphy vs. Ernest Morphy, New Orleans 1850)

## Tennessee Chess News



On January 11, 2014, The Nashville Chess Center teamed up with Bridgestone Arena and the Nashville Predators for a first of its kind event: The Nashville Predators Chess Day! The event was held at Bridgeston Arena and drew in 57 players across 3 sections. Ephiphany Peters (JH/HS), Tallent Brown (EL), and Max Williams (PR) were the winners all earning a perfect 5 point score for the day. All the players and their families attended the hockey game to finish the day off!

For more information about the Nashville Chess Center Summer Camps and programs, please visit: [www.nashvillechess.org](http://www.nashvillechess.org)



## Upcoming Events

4-4-14

[National High School Championship](#)  
San Diego, CA

4-5-14

[Southeast Open](#)  
Atlanta, GA

4-11-14

[All-Girls National Championship](#)  
Northbrook, IL

4-19-14

[Cumberland County Spring Open](#)  
Crossville, TN

4-25-14

[National Junior High Championship](#)  
Atlanta, GA



The Tennessee State Scholastic Individual Tournament took place in Cookeville at Tennessee Tech University on February 15, 2014. Congratulations to High School Champion, Max Friedman. He won the section with 4.5 points out of 5 and was awarded a scholarship to Tennessee Tech University. We've posted his ["Champion's Game"](#) for your game viewing pleasure at our website. Vincent Zhang won the Junior High section with a perfect score. Forest Chen also earned a perfect score



winning the Elementary section. Logan Wu won the Primary section with 4.5 points. 348 Tennessee kids competed state-wide to qualify for this event.

5-3-14  
Southern Girls  
Regional  
Charlotte, NC

5-3-14  
Knoxville Area  
Spring Open  
Knoxville, TN



The Tennessee State Scholastic Team Tournament events were record-breaking this year. Region III (pictured left) boasted 94 teams and 375 students at their Regional Qualifier. It came down to the top four teams from each section from each region of Tennessee, and they battled it out March 29, 2014 at Tennessee Tech University. The Shanan Home School from Nashville became the Tennessee High School Team Champions sweeping the section 4/4. The team members shown left to right are Spencer Baker, Rachel Weishaar, Nicholas Tomlin, and Luke Weishaar. For full results from this event visit: [www.tnchess.us](http://www.tnchess.us)

5-9-14  
National  
Elementary  
Championship  
Dallas, TX

5-16-14  
Tennessee  
Senior Open  
Crossville, TN



5-31-14  
Peter Dupuy  
Memorial Chess  
Tournament  
Charleston, WV

6-7-14  
Rea Hayes Open  
Chattanooga, TN

On April 5-6, Southeast Chess is running a large open tournament called the Southeast Open. The Southeast Open offers \$4,800 in projected prizes, 15 Grand Prix Points, free entry to GMs and IMs, and multiple sections. Full information and registration can be found at:

[www.southeastchess.com](http://www.southeastchess.com)

7-19-14  
Clinton H.  
Pearson, Jr.  
Memorial Tournament  
Crossville, TN

8-30-14 - 8-31-14  
Tennessee Open  
Chattanooga, TN

For more events:

[www.tnchess.us](http://www.tnchess.us)

[www.knoxvillechess.org](http://www.knoxvillechess.org)

[www.nashvillechess.org](http://www.nashvillechess.org)

[www.shelbycouthchess.com](http://www.shelbycouthchess.com)

Shelby County Chess /Friday Knights Chess Club, Memphis, Tn.

Friday Knights Chess Club requires no membership dues and meets every Friday night at Back Yard Burgers, 6466 Poplar, from 6:30 - 10:00. For adults and children. Rated and Unrated Tournaments for all levels. Minimal charge for entries. Check us out at

[www.shelbycountychess.com](http://www.shelbycountychess.com). Weekend Chess Tournaments scheduled throughout the year. For more info, contact Alan Kleiman, Shelby County President, at [akleiman12@gmail.com](mailto:akleiman12@gmail.com).

Alcoa Chess Crusades V was the 7<sup>th</sup> tournament in the series of Crusades held at Alcoa Middle School on December 14, 2013. It hosted 97 players dispersed across 5 sections: Open, U1000, U700, K-12 Unrated, and K-5 Unrated. Jason Fu championed the open section winning \$100, followed by a 3 way tie for 2<sup>nd</sup> between Hunter Marsh, Albert Xue, and Kevin Hong; each won \$50. The U1000 champion was Tolson Bell with 3.5 out of 4. The winner of the U700 section was Darryl Alexander going undefeated. In the K-12 Unrated section, Gerald Smith and Tyler McCoy tied for 1<sup>st</sup> with 4.5 out of 5. The champion of the K-5 Unrated section was Brandon Fine going undefeated with 5.0 points. All of the competitors played their hearts out and made the event quite competitive.



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2014 SUMMER CAMP DATES

JUNE 02 - 06  
JUNE 09 - 13  
JUNE 23 - 27  
JULY 14 - 18  
JULY 28 - AUGUST 1

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