## 2007 KANSAS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT REPORT

The 2007 Kansas Open was held July 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> in Lindsborg, Kansas. The Quick tournament was held July 13<sup>th</sup> at the Karpov Chess School and the Open and Reserve Tournaments were held in the Bethany College Library Building. There were 30 participants in the Quick tourney and 67 in the main tourney (17 in Open section and 50 in the Reserve section). The Quick tourney consisted of 23 Kansas players, 3 Colorado players, and 1 each from Nebraska, Ohio, Missouri, and Oklahoma. The Open and Reserve consisted of 49 Kansas players and 18 from out of state (4 Colorado, 5 Oklahoma, 5 Missouri, 2 Iowa, 1 Ohio, and 1 North Carolina).

The Quick tourney was won by Maxx Coleman with a perfect score of 5 wins in 5 games. **Maxx Coleman is also a repeat Kansas Quick champion** having won in 2006 also. At 4 points were Brian Wall, Dan Holmes, Conrad Holt, and Brandon Stich. The Scholastic winners were first place Christopher Anton, second place Charlie Arbuckle, and third place Ben McGregor with 2 points, 2 points, and 1 point respectively.

The Open Section was won by **Brian Wall** from Colorado with 4 points out of 5. He had two draws and three wins. At 3.5 points were Renard Anderson from Colorado, Thomas Gossell from Missouri, Tom Brownscombe from Kansas, and Conrad Holt from Kansas. **Tom Brownscombe is our new Kansas Champion** on tiebreak points over Conrad Holt.

In the Reserve section the Overall winner was also from Colorado with a perfect 5 points with 5 wins and no losses; **Anthea Carson**. Tom Phillips, Adrian Rolfe from Iowa, John Pritchard, Dan Holmes, and Jimmy Huggins all finished with 4 points out of 5 possible. By tiebreak points, **Dan Holmes is our new Kansas Reserve champion** for 2007. The scholastic winners in this section were Zachariah Button, Nymisha Rao, and Namana Rao with 2.5, 2.0, and 1.0 points respectively.

Thanks to tournament director Kevin Nyberg and his assistant CJ Armenta. Thanks to the Karpov Chess School and Bethany College for the use of their facilities. It should be noted that we had a number of participants in the Kansas Open who had also participated in the Karpov Chess School summer camp that ran from July 9<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>, just before the Kansas Open.

Laurence Coker 2007 Kansas Open Organizer KCA Treasurer and Webmaster

## **PICTURES FROM 2007 KANSAS OPEN**



Overall Reserve and Open Winners Anthea Carson and Brian Wall



Kansas Champions Reserve Champion Dan Holmes (left) Kansas Open Champion Tom Brownscombe (right)



(Left to right) Scholastic Quick Chess winners Chris Anton, Charlie Arbuckle, and Ben McGregor



Reserve Scholastic Chess Winners (left to right) Nymisha Rao, Zachary Button, Namana Rao



Open Section players (left to right) Fred Galvin and Conrad Holt



Reserve Section players (left to right) Lance Gill and Zachary Button with Duane Johnson in Background



Reserve Section players (left to right) Bylthe Buscher and Tony Dutiel



Reserve Section players (left to right) Dexter Solomon and Howard Notgarnie



Last Picture
Open Section players (left to right)
Francis Crow and Thomas Gossell