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Hi everyone,

Welcome to our newest subscribers!

Thanks to Pierre for directing the last half of the July Series and managing Casual Chess while I was on vacation and subsequently sick. I'm thrilled to report that I'm feeling healthy and back to normal.

Las Vegas Chess School after-school program restarts tomorrow

International Master Andranik Matikozyan with the Las Vegas Chess School returns to SNVCC tomorrow, Tuesday, from 4:30-5:30pm, for his weekly after-school program. The fee is \$100/month and includes one hour supervised practice play and lecture each Tuesday. First timers can attend their first session free.

Thursday Series

The results of the July Thursday series have been posted to USChess and can be seen [here](#):

The August Series will start this Thursday, August 8 @ 6:00pm. The Thursday series has one round each week-ish and appeals to players who enjoy long, slow games. August's series will be August 8, 15, 25, and 27. Note August 25

is a Tuesday and there is no game during the week of the Las Vegas Open (August 23-25)

Casual Chess every Friday night

We've started Casual Chess every Friday night from 6-9pm. The socializing and informal atmosphere of a true Chess Club is something many of our members value. The cost is free for Paid Members and \$7 for all others. Becoming a paid member of the Club carries an annual fee of \$100 (\$150 for families) and entitles members to \$10 off any one tournament each month as well as free access to weekly Casual Chess. There will be other benefits as they arise. Kids who become members will also receive a \$10-off coupon for the 2024 Las Vegas Open Youth Tournament.

GM Bitoon Simul followed by Beginner and 700+ tournament

We're having another Grand Master Simul on Sunday August 11. This time, GM Richard Bitoon (USCF: 2429 and FIDE: 2374) will take on challengers beginning at 10:00am. The last two Simuls, with GM Pakleza and Finegold were hits!

Following the Simul at 1:00pm, we'll have this month's Beginner and 700+ tournament. This tournament is perfect for first time players and those looking to get some more rating points. We'll have two sections but will combine into one if either section has too few players. It's a perfect warm-up for those adults and kids who will be playing in the Las Vegas Open.

The fee is \$35 for the Simul and \$25 for the tournament but only \$50 if you register for both. Members can also take \$10 off the cost of the tournament. The Simul requires a minimum advance registration of 10 players to avoid cancellation.

Our next Scholastic Tournament

Our Back-To-School scholastic tournament is scheduled for Sunday August 18

@ 1:00pm. The fee is \$25 and is geared for kids in grades 2-9. This is perfect for kids just learning Chess. A familiarity with writing notation and using the clock is required but we'll teach those who've never done it before.

2024 Las Vegas Open

The annual Las Vegas Open, sponsored by us and Vegas Chess Festivals will take place at the Rio on August 23-25th this year. In addition to the two- and three-day regular tournament including the FIDE-rated sections at the Open tournament, we will also have Swiss and Quads tournaments for kids, a blitz tournament for kids, and a blitz tournament for adults. Prices will rise again on August 15 so be sure to register soon. For registration and information, please visit <https://kingregistration.com>

Registration links for all our activities and tournaments can be found on our [website](#).

Hope to see everyone soon!

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