

# 2010 Los Alamos County Championship

*Open to all, no matter where you live or how old you are.*

**Saturday January 30, 2009**

**Aspen Elementary, Los Alamos (2182 33rd Street, Los Alamos)**

Register at: <http://nmchess.dyndns.org>

## Sections are as follows:

- **Midget** open to players in grades 2 and below with USCF ratings below 300 or unrated;
- **Booster** open to players in grades 4 and below with USCF ratings below 500 or unrated;
- **Cadet** open to players in grades 6 and below with USCF ratings below 700 or unrated;
- **Novice** open to players in grades 9 and below with USCF ratings below 900 or unrated;
- **Reserve** open to all players (adults and students) with USCF ratings below 1100 or unrated;
- **Championship** open to all players (adults and students); *LA County Champion will be the scholastic (K-12) Los Alamos resident(s) with the most points in the Championship Section.*

Saturday Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, Aspen Elementary, 2182 33rd St, Los Alamos. Check-in/registration 8:30-9:15 am; first round begins promptly at 9:30 am. The Midget section may be repaired as quickly as possible after each round and could finish by ~2:30 pm. The other sections should finish at ~4:30 pm. Top 7 finishers in Novice, Cadet, Booster and Midget sections will receive trophies, plus many honorable mention trophies too! The top 3 in the Championship and Reserve sections will receive cash awards.

Swiss system pairings: Championship/Reserve 4 rounds G/50, Booster/Cadet/Novice 5 rounds G/35, Midget 6 rounds G/30. The USCF February Supplement will be used for ratings. Boards will be provided, please bring chess clocks.

Breakfast concessions will be available at 8:30. Lunch concessions will be available after the first round. Chess supplies/etc. also will be for sale.

Entry fee: \$12 if postmarked or paid online by January 16<sup>th</sup>, \$15 if received by January 28<sup>th</sup>, and \$20 thereafter and on-site the morning of the tournament. You can pay on-line after registration (<http://nmchess.dyndns.org/payforchess.html>) or mail checks to: Aspen Chess Club, 100 Aspen Dr, Los Alamos, NM 87544.

USCF Membership Required. This is a United States Chess Federation rated event. Membership in the USCF is required except for the Midget section. The discounted yearly membership for scholastic players is \$15 if under age 12, \$19 under 15, and \$23 under 24. This fee can be added at registration, or may be purchased (with enhanced options available) from [USCF Membership Website](#). Players may request half-point byes by advance arrangement. Note that this is an individual event – no team prizes, and pairing of teammates may occur in later rounds.

This is a great tournament for beginning players: the sections are tailored to beginners (in terms of rating/age limits) and the entry fee is waived for scholastic players joining the USCF for the first time!

Please register on-line at: <http://nmchess.dyndns.org>. If you are unable to register on-line, or have other questions, please email [aspenchess@comcast.net](mailto:aspenchess@comcast.net) for help.