Issaquah Highlands Chess Club & Washington Chess Federation Present...



Blakely Hall – 2550 NE Park Dr. Issaquah, WA 98029

Format: A 5-round Swiss tournament in three sections: Open, Reserve U1600, and Rising (unrated).

Entry fee: \$45 by 3/23, \$55 after. \$25 play-up fee if rated under 1600 and playing in Open section. Free entry for players rated 2000+. Maximum of 100 players, please register early to reserve your spot!

Schedule: Registration & Check-in: 9-9:45am. Rounds (5): 10am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 3:00pm, 4:30pm. Closing Ceremony + Blitz Tournament: ~ 6:00pm or asap.

Time Control: G/30; +5 sec. increment per move starting from move 1.

Rating: Open and Reserve U1600 section are Dual NWSRS + US Chess Rated. Higher of March US Chess or current NWSRS rating will be used to determine section, pairings, and prizes. Rising section is unrated, with no memberships required.

Memberships: US Chess and WCF/OCF/ICA memberships required for Open and Reserve sections, other states accepted. No memberships required for Rising section.

Prize Fund: \$2,500 based on 100 paid entries.

<u>Open:</u> 1st – 3rd: \$250-200-150. 1st U2000/U1800: \$100

<u>Reserve U1600:</u> 1st – 3rd: \$225-180-150, 1st U1400/U1200/U1000: \$100

<u>Rising (unrated):</u> 1st – 4th: \$200-150-125-100.

Special Prizes (per section):

Biggest Upset Win: \$35, Best Female Player (by TPR): \$35, Best Dressed: \$20.

Byes: Up to 2 half-point byes available if requested before the end of round 2.

Registration: Online at <u>nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration</u>. Pay by Credit/Debit/PayPal/SettleKing. **Registration + payment deadline: Fri, Mar 29 @ 5pm.** Unpaid players will be removed from the roster after the deadline, and players from the Waitlist will be offered a spot. At-site registration: 9-9:45am. On-site payment available by cash, check made out to "WCF", Zelle (ID:

washingtonchessfederation@gmail.com), or Venmo (ID: @WAChess).

Blitz Tournament: Time: 7-9pm (after rd. 5 of main tournament). Entry Fee: \$20. Format: A 7-Round Single Swiss in one section, 2 half-point byes available. US Chess Blitz rated. TC: G/4; +3. On-site registration: 6:00-6:45pm. Rds. @ 7pm, 7:15, 7:30, 7:45, 8, 8:15, 8:30. Closing Ceremony ~ 8:45pm or asap. Current US Chess membership required. Higher of March 2024 US Chess Blitz or Regular rating used to determine pairings and prizes. Prize Fund: **\$500** (based on 50 pd. entries)

1st – 3rd: \$120-80-50, 1st U1900/U1700/U1500/U1300/U1100/Unrated: \$30. Biggest upset win: \$10/rd.

