

## ***Results from the Rockford Chess Challenge - Summer 2003***

98 students from 41 schools competed at the Rockford Chess Challenge on Saturday August 9th hosted by the Riverfront Museum Park.

### **First place individual winners**

- Kindergarten - Jeremy Swedberg (St Mary's of Sycamore)
- 1st Grade - Zachary Larson (Christian Life)
- 2nd Grade - Marc Hedlund (Luther Academy at Alpine)
- 3rd Grade - Bradley Kovanda (Whitman Post)
- 4th Grade - James Reyes (King)
- 5th Grade - Mark Saul (King) *A perfect score!*
- 6th Grade - Nathan Robert (Meridian)
- 7th Grade (tie) - Robbie Miller (Home schooled)  
- Aaron Deets (Byron Middle School)
- 8th Grade - Timothy Smafield (RESA)
- HS (tie) - Paul Dammann (Auburn)  
- Christopher Yoon (Auburn)

### **Special Awards**

"Best Unrated Player" medals awarded to

- Kindergarten: Noah Walker – Welsh Elementary
- Grade 1: Laeleigh Miller – Home schooled
- Grade 2: Cameron Thomas – Loves Park Elementary
- Grade 3: Jordan Swedberg – St Mary's
- Grade 4: Andrew Brown – Lena Elementary
- Grade 6: Ryan Kirschbaum - Flinn
- Grade 7: Jordon Kuehne – Byron Middle School

"Biggest Upset" medals awarded to:

Grade K: Elizabeth Weiss – Capron Elementary

Grade 1: Nick Grey – Home schooled

Grade 2: Marc Hedlund – Luther Academy at Alpine

Grade 3: Nathan Johnson – St Mary's

Grade 4: James Reyes - King

Grade 5: Paul Black – Mary Morgan

Grade 6: Mitchell Lindquist – Rockford Christian

Grade 7: Travis Weinsheim – Belvidere Middle School

Grade 8: Jacob Smith – RESA

HS: Fabian Felce – Harvard HS

For more information about Rockford chess tournaments, check the web site  
<http://www.RockfordChess.Org>.