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KnightMare Ladies Bring home Four National Trophies

The KnightMare ladies brought home four national trophies from the 4th Annual All-Girls Open Nationals Championships held last weekend in Chicago, Illinois at the beautiful Palmer House Hilton Hotel. Although fifty girls from New Jersey and New York were unable to attend due to canceled flights; one-hundred thirty-six (136) girls from 19 states and one province played strong chess all weekend.

It was a full chess playing weekend that started Friday night with Laya Anasus, Brianna Conley, Allie Claar and Casey Hess playing in a simul against GM Dmitry Gurevich. Although none of the KnightMare ladies prevailed, Laya held out the longest.



In the under 16 years of age section, **Brianna Conley** won four of six games to finished in 3rd place and **Allie Claar** finished in 10th place. Keep in mind both young ladies are 14 and *played up* in the under 16 years old section to avoid playing KnightMare club member **Laya Anasus**, who received the 10th place trophy, and KnightMare club member **Nivetha Pandian** the 14th place trophy winner in the under 14 years of age section.

Laya and Nivetha did end up playing each other.





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Casey Hess who had an even score for the day missed a national trophy by .5 (five tens of a point). Anneliese Gest also had an even score.



These young ladies battles and are now position to be top finishers in the Ohio All Girls Championships in April.

Please visit the KnightMare photo bucket for more pictures of this grand event!

<http://s152.photobucket.com/albums/s200/KnightMareChessClub/4th%20Annual%20All-Girls%20National%20Championships/?start=all>

<http://ohiochess.org/phpbb2/viewtopic.php?t=83>

Your Coach,

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