

2018 RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL CHESS BOOTH

The Kansas Renaissance Festival runs September 1 till October 16 in Bonner Springs, KS. It is the main fund raiser for the Kansas Chess Association- we have a chess booth not far from the main gate, near the games section of festival. Money raised from the booth helps to do three main things: keep Kansas Chess Association Membership fees low (there has been no increase in 10 years), help pay for expenses related to the annual Kansas Open tourney, and help fund the scholastic candidates to the US OPEN. The later helps to pay the scholastic Denker, Barber, and All-girls candidates. This year there is a new category- Senior candidates. It also helps to fund the fund the Kansas delegate to the USCF annual business meetings. Without our Renaissance Festival Chess Booth raising money for these endeavors this funding would not be possible. We have had the chess booth at the Bonner Springs Renaissance Festival for 23 years. In additional to funding candidates, the booth helps to promote chess as an activity.

The booth is run entirely of volunteers. The volunteers receive a pass to get in and at least one guest pass to help someone else get in. There is a parking pass for E parking lot. Last year workers received a meal voucher, good for one meal item from participating vendors.

We have to provide appropriate outfits for the renaissance festival and have monk outfits to wear and these have to be worn while working in the chess booth. If one has a renaissance appropriate outfit of your own, you can wear that. Outfits have to worn while working in the booth.

All the workers mainly do is play chess against costumers. Often we give instructions to people if there is time to do so. The more volunteers the more likely we are to be able to do so. We accept cash donations at our booth.

Please e-mail me if you want to help. We need volunteers mainly for the first five weekends of the festival. Volunteers can work just one day. One doesn't have to work the full weekend although they are welcome to do so.

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WEEKENDS

September 1 to 3

September 8 and 9

September 15 and 16

September 22 and 23

September 29 and 30

October 6 to 8

October 15 and 16 (Full)