## USCF Mission Statement

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The USCF is a not-for-profit membership organization devoted to extending the role of chess in American society.

The USCF promotes the study and knowledge of the game of chess, for its own sake as an art and enjoyment, but also as a means for the improvement of society. It informs, educates, and fosters the development of players (professional and amateur) and potential players. It encourages the development of a network of institutions devoted to enhancing the growth of chess, from local clubs to state and regional associations, and it promotes chess in American schools.

To these ends, the USCF offers a monthly magazine, as well as targeted publications to its members and others. It supervises the organization of the U.S. Chess Championship, an open tournament held every summer, and other national events. It offers a wide range of books and services to its members and others at prices consistent with the benefit of its members.

The USCF serves as the governing body for chess in the United States and as a participant in international chess organizations and projects. It is structured to ensure effective democratic procedures in accordance with its bylaws and the laws of the state of Illinois.

## **DELEGATES MEETING**

Nominations for Delegate Committees – Bylaws, Ethics and LMA Management can be submitted directly to the secretary. Please send them no later than July 27 in order to allow enough time for the secretary to receive them before departing for the delegate's meeting. They may be sent by fax, e-mail bobchess@aol.com, or regular mail. Nominations will also be accepted at the meeting.

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