

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2003

Chess grandmaster to participate in 25 matches at Miami U.

OXFORD — Do you have the moves to compete against **Gregory Kaidanov**? Few people do.

America's top-ranked chess grandmaster will visit **Miami University** Tuesday to play a 25-board simultaneous match against students and residents.

In a simultaneous chess match, an expert player takes on multiple opponents, moving quickly among them and making a move at each board until all the games are finished. Club players must move within 10 seconds of the grandmaster's arrival at their boards.

During his visit, Kaidanov will also give a lecture on "St. Petersburg's Chess Legacy."

If the Ukraine immigrant looks around the campus in Butler County, he will feel at home. The **Havighurst Center for Russian and**

Post-Soviet Studies (which will sponsor his visit with the Miami University Chess Club) sports Russian-style "onion" domes.

"We've been working to bring Gregory back for two years because his first visit was such a great success," said **Clyde Brown**, faculty adviser to the **Chess Club**.

In 2001, Kaidanov defeated the Miami team 25-0, while 200 spectators watched. Kaidanov in 2002 won the Aeroflot Open in Moscow against 82 other grandmasters.

Kaidanov's matches — already scheduled — will start at 6 p.m. in multipurpose room B at the **Shriver Center**. His talk will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Special Collections Room at the **King Library**. Both events are free and open to the public.

After considering the match between 25 local chess



Randy McNutt

Justin Fenn joked.

Information:
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players and the nation's No. 1 player in 2002, Miami's Chess Club president did not hesitate to predict.

"It does not look good for the home team,"