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USCF consolidates all operations to Crossville headquarters



(Crossville, TN) With the recent completion of a new headquarters building, the U.S. Chess Federation will now consolidate all operations in Crossville, Tennessee.

In March, 2005, USCF administrative functions moved to temporary quarters in the county-owned former church at First and East Streets. Publications functions remained in New Windsor, New York. Now, with building complete and the USCF staff moved in, *Chess Life* magazine, *Chess Life* 4 *Kids* (designed for readers 12 and under), and all other publication functions will be produced in the O'Brien Drive building.

Architects planned for this with the inclusion of a publications department area of the building. This space will be filled as early as July 1. The current New York staff is not relocating, so positions will be filled by local hires. Initially, the talent search is focused on a full-time Senior Art Director and a part-time Editorial Assistant. Job details are available on the Federation's website, <u>www.uschess.org</u>.

Ten local jobs were created with the initial move last year, including the position of Executive Director, which was filled by Crossville native Bill Hall. The publication department move could eventually result in an additional four positions filled with local talent.

The United States Chess Federation (USCF), founded in 1939, serves as the governing body for chess in the United States and is now headquartered in Crossville, Tennessee. USCF is devoted to extending the role of chess in American society. It promotes the study and knowledge of the game of chess, for its own sake as an art and enjoyment, and as a means for the improvement of society. The USCF is a not-for-profit membership organization with over 80,000 members. For additional information on the USCF see: http://www.uschess.org.