

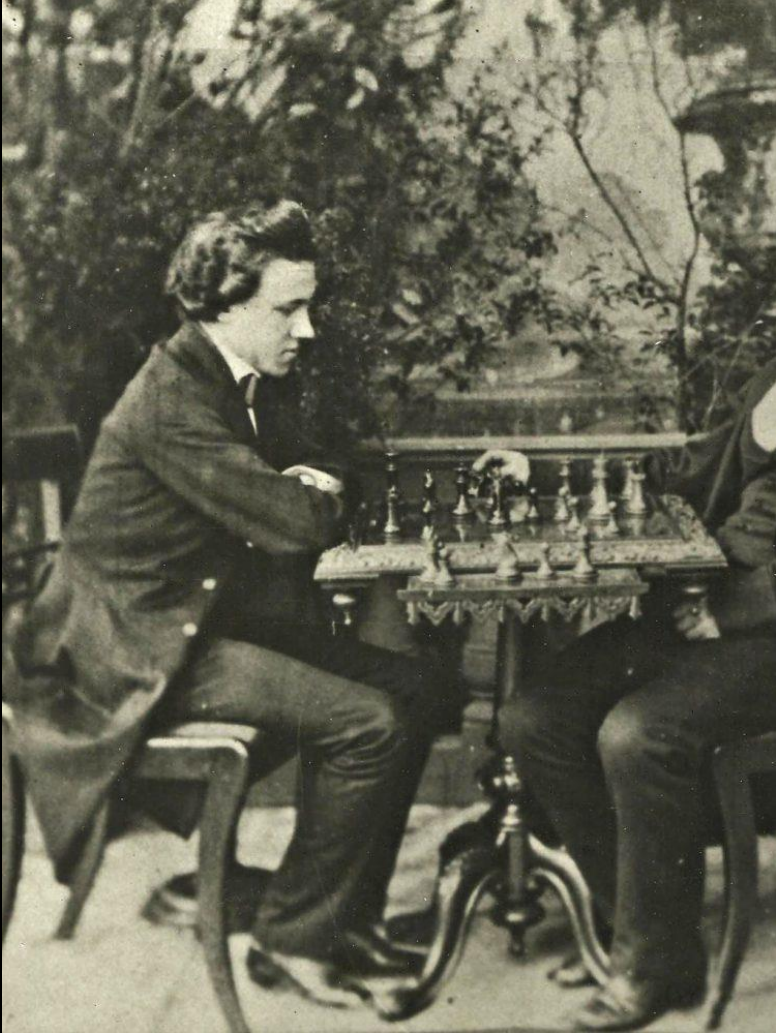


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# A Celebration of All Things Chess ...

PAST



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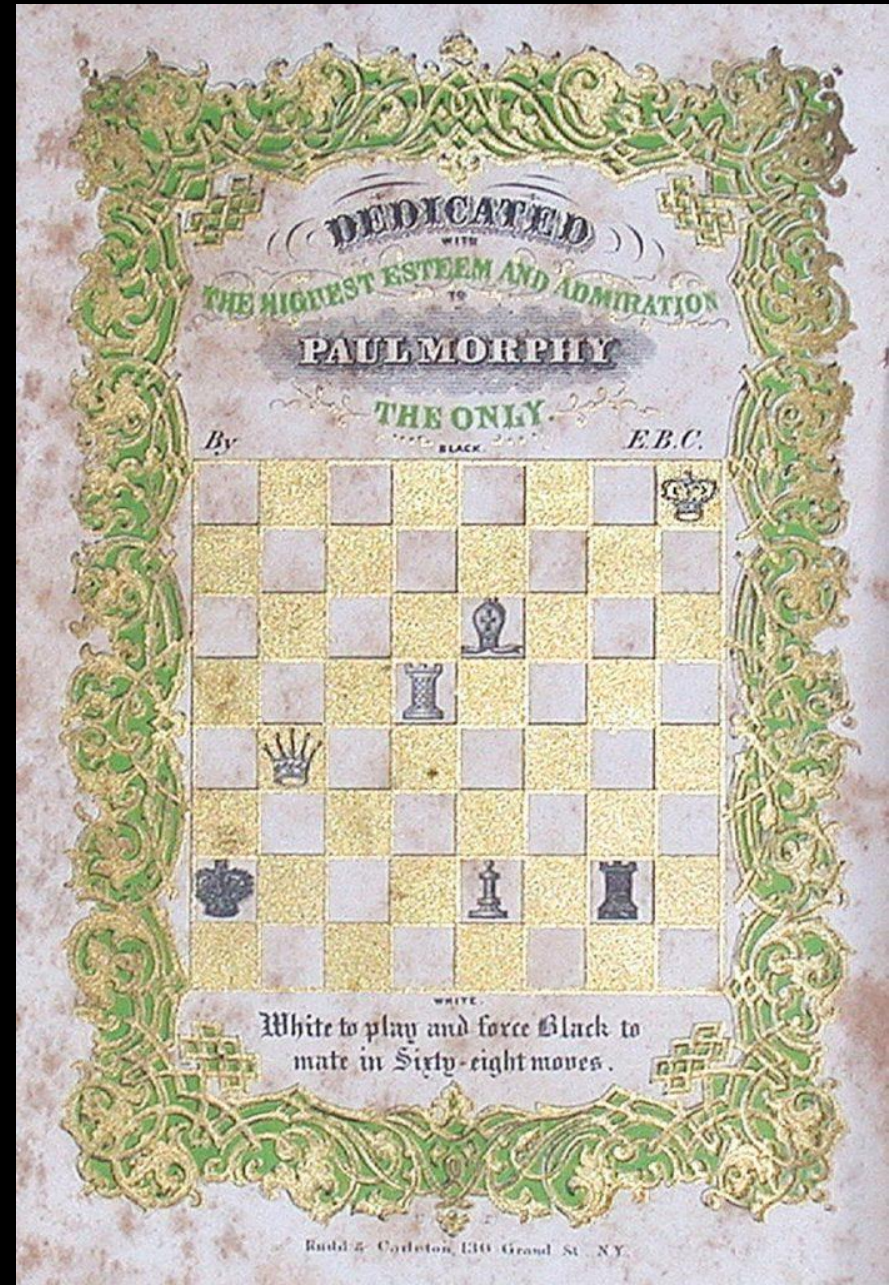
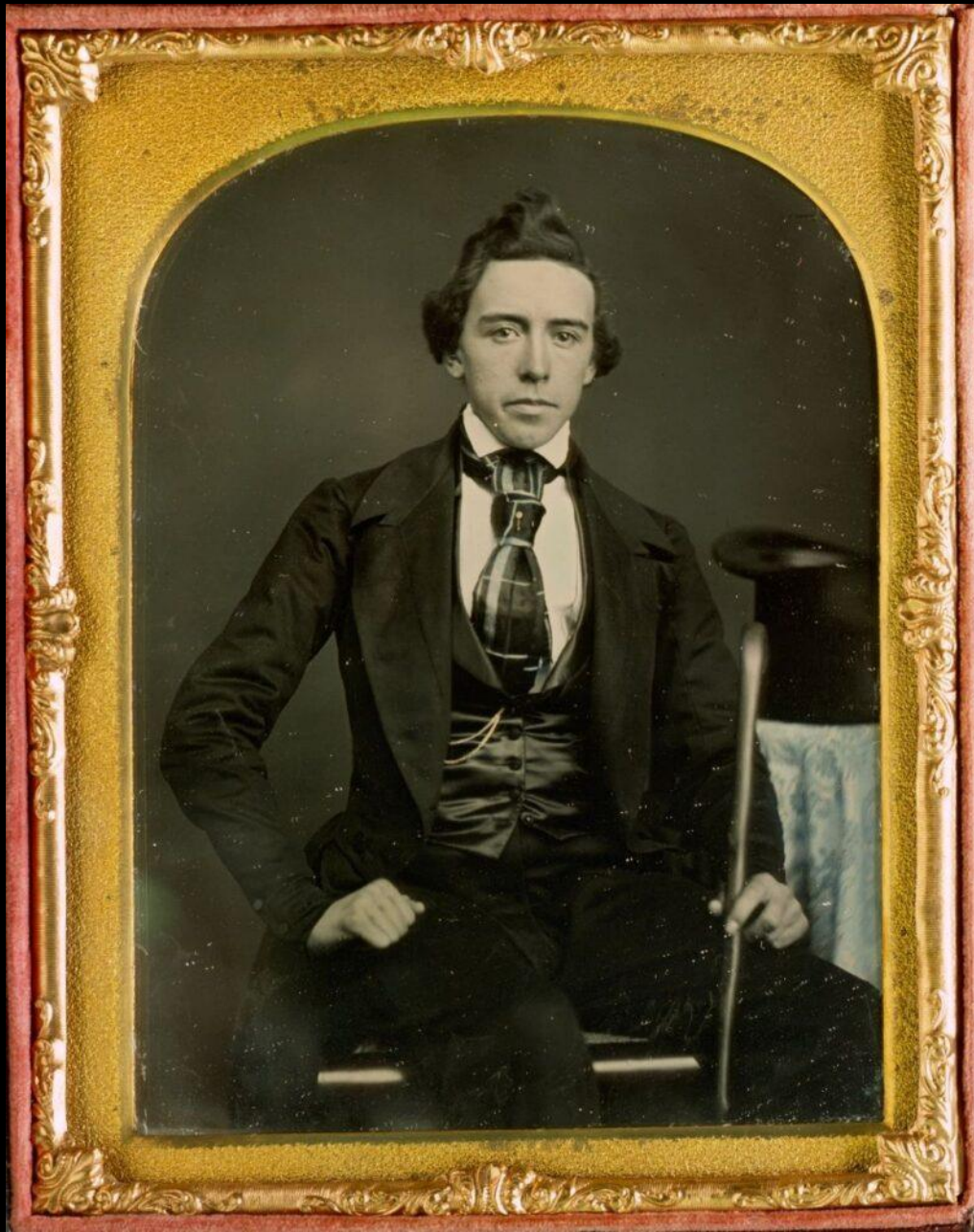


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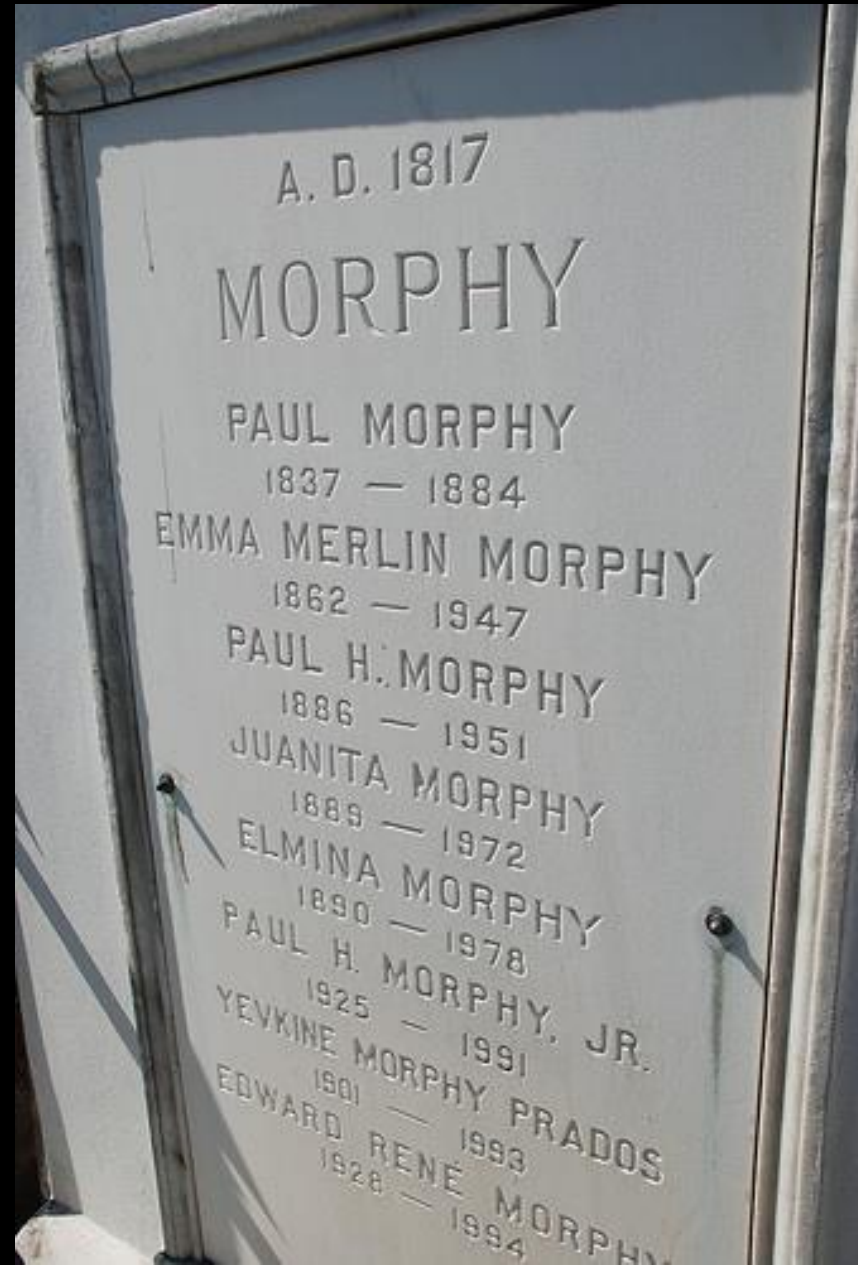
The Past:

# The GHOST of PAUL MORPHY (1837 - 1884)



# MORPHY'S TOMB (Cemetery 1)

The Pride and Sorrow of Chess



**The BEAUREGARD-  
KEYES HOUSE**

**1113 Chartres St.**



Original Manuscript of  
***THE CHESS PLAYERS***

By  
Francis Parkinson Keyes

1960



# A Members' Exhibition of French Chess Sets



A French Chess Set ...



**PAUL MORPHY'S CHESS SET**  
**By Jaques of London**  
**(Historic New Orleans Collection)**



The Present:

JUDE ACERS (1944 - )



## **“The Man in the Red Beret”**

**Beloved by the  
City, and the  
World**

**Jude knows  
everyone, and  
everyone  
knows Jude**

**A joyful  
presence, Jude  
has taught the  
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thousands of  
kids and  
others, from all  
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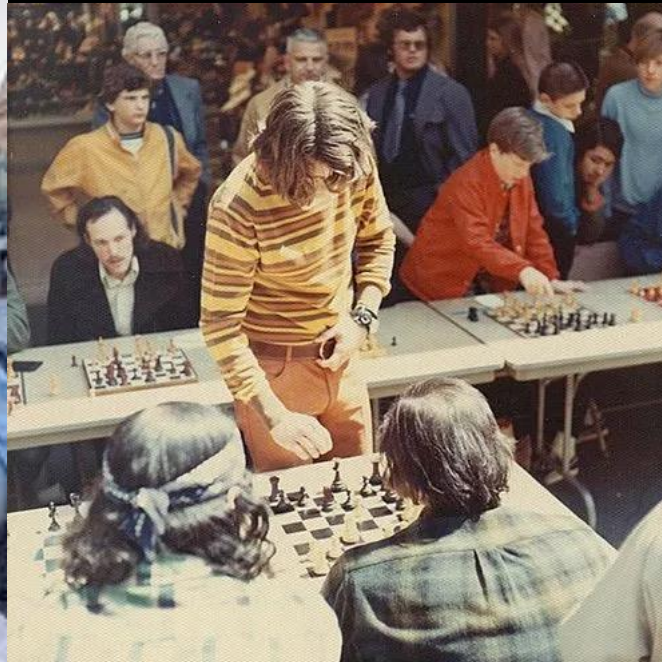
**Author, Coach, Mentor**



**And a world-famous goodwill ambassador for the game**



**Simultaneous Exhibitor**



**(1973)**

The living embodiment of French Quarter chess, Jude is quite a character. You will never meet anyone else quite like him. His love for the game is pure. And he will make you too, fall in love with chess all over again.





**The Future:**

## **BAYLEE BADAWY**



**A graduate of Tulane University, Baylee has expertise in**

- **Marketing**
- **Communications**
- **Social Media**
- **Musicology**

A good friend of Jude's ...





U.S. CHESS MASTER


Jude Aceris



  
FIDE  
GENS UNA SUMUS  
INTERNATIONAL CHESS FEDERATION

FIDE is pleased to confirm herewith that  
**Acers, Jude**  
FIDE ID: 2034301  
**United States of America**  
has obtained the title of  
**Candidate Master**  
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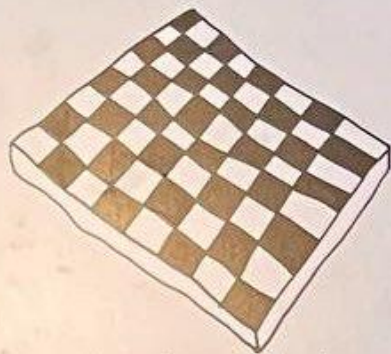
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BUT ...

***WHAT will we EAT?***

**PAUL MORPHY'S HOUSE**

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**BRENNAN'S  
RESTAURANT**

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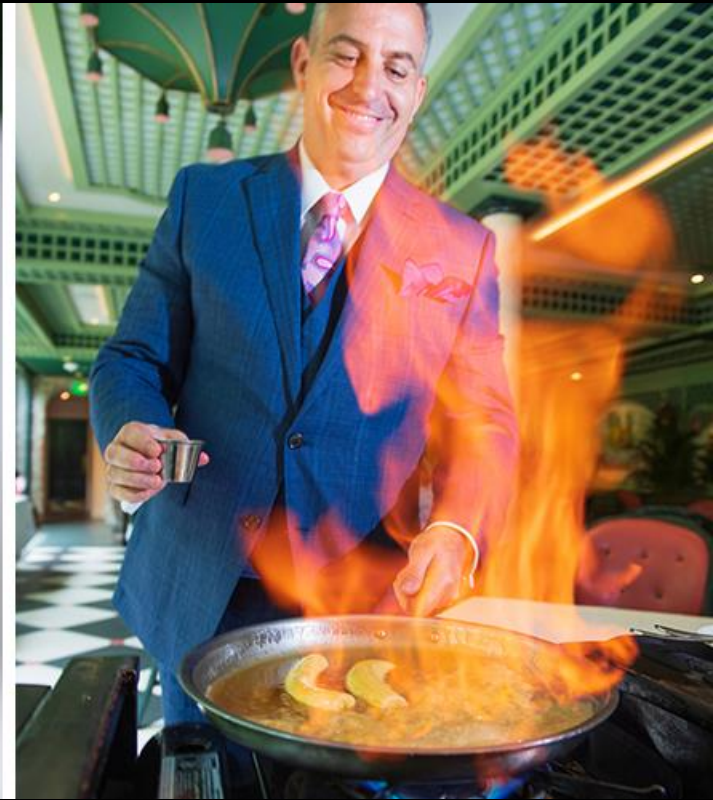
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VS.

## CAJUN FOOD?





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Invented at Brennan's, circa 1955

**The  
MORPHY  
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**Paul  
Morphy  
died here**

**July 10,  
1884**



**MORPHY  
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BALCONY**

**(Overlooks  
Courtyard)**



The  
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