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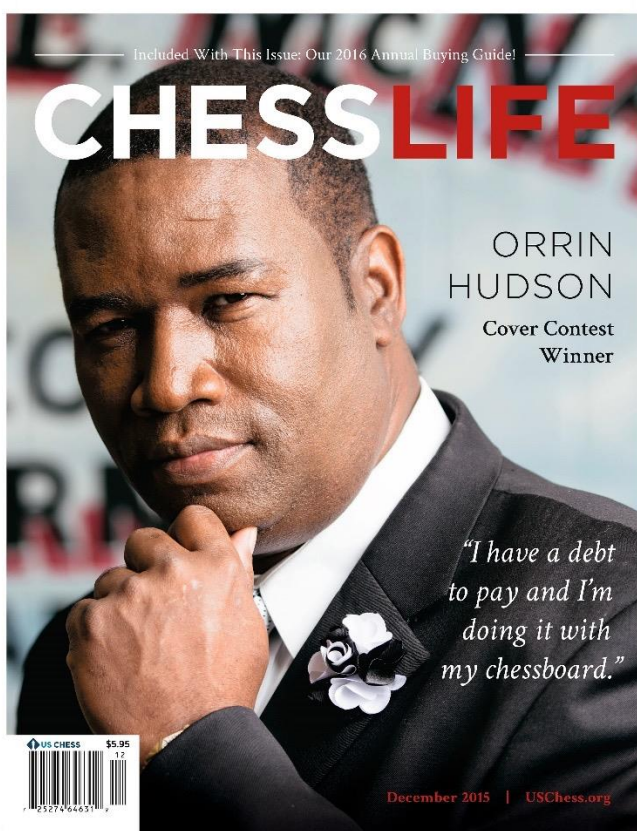
Features the Extraordinary Story of Georgia  
Non-Profit Leader Orrin Hudson.

It is his first appearance on the cover of a leading  
chess magazine.

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Orrin C. Hudson, the internationally renowned #1 Amazon bestselling author, founder and executive director of the non-profit organization, Be Someone ([www.besomeone.org](http://www.besomeone.org)), has been named the inaugural *Chess Life* magazine cover contest winner. Hudson appears on the cover of the December 2015 issue, now available at [uschess.org](http://uschess.org). Readers were given an opportunity to submit an essay of 200 words describing how their activities are advancing the mission and vision of the US Chess Federation. The magazine's circulation is 50,000 and has been in existence since 1946.

"Orrin Hudson's entry was selected because his of highly impactful story about how the game of chess has affected him personally." said Daniel Lucas, US Chess Director of Publications. "The way he is using the game to give back to the community is an especially compelling example of a US Chess member advancing our mission and vision."

"Without question this is the biggest honor of my career," said Hudson. "When I began my work as a motivational speaker 15 years ago, I never thought I would appear on the cover of the premier publication for the game of chess. It's an honor that I am humbled by and will cherish for the rest of my life."

The mission of Be Someone is to build character, hope and inspiration, so that kids can set and achieve lifetime goals, realize their full potential, and Be Someone. Founded by Hudson in 2001, Be Someone uses numerous tools, including the game of chess, to promote self-esteem, responsibility, and analytical thinking among at-risk kids. Be Someone teaches kids the practical skills and techniques to overcome obstacles in life, illustrated through the best and most intellectual visual aid: the chessboard.

Two screenwriters, Kate Danaher and Bob Rivenbark, were so impressed with Orrin's work that they wrote an award-winning drama entitled, *Every Move Counts*. They believe Orrin's powerful life story should be available for all to experience on the big screen and welcome inquiries from investors, producers, and directors. Contact Kate Danaher at [www.katedanaher.com](http://www.katedanaher.com).

Hudson is presenting a free and open to the public Get in the Game Leadership workshop December 19, 2015 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fairfield Inn & Suites 7850 Stonecrest Square, Lithonia, GA 30038.

### **About U.S. Chess**

U.S. Chess is the official governing body and not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization for chess players and chess supporters in the United States. The organization's mission is to empower people through chess one move at a time.

The vision is to enrich the lives of all persons and communities through increasing the play, study, and appreciation of the game of chess. US Chess represents the United States in the World Chess Federation (FIDE), connecting its members to chess players around the world.

Founded in 1939 with the merger of the American Chess Federation and the National Chess Federation, U.S. Chess has grown to serve over 85,000 members and 2,000 affiliated chess clubs and organizations today.

Every year, U.S. Chess sanctions and rates over 10,000 tournaments and over half a million games. The organization hosts 25 National Championships and award titles to both amateurs and professionals, ranging from elementary school students to senior citizens.