American Chess Magazine entries, by issue.

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**Issue #3 (Summer 2017, Sabina Foisor on Cover)**

1.National Tournament Report: “Wesley on US Championship Win” by Wesley So; pages 11-15.

2.Best Print Analysis: “Top Three US Championship Games” by GM Ivan Sokolov; pages 16-25.

3.Best Print Analysis: “How to Upstage the Big Guys” by Varruzhan Akobian; pages26-29.

4.Best Print Analysis: “Super Professionals” by Jaan Ehlvest; pages 30-33.

5.Best Story of the Year: “A Cinderella Story” by Alisa Melekhina; pages 34-39.

6.Best Story of the Year: “Sabina on US Women’s Championship Win” by Sabina Foisor; pages 40-50.

7.Best Print Analysis: “B2 or not B2, That is the Question!” by Vassily Ivanchuk; pages 53-55.

8.Best Print Analysis: “The Benoni Knight” by John Fedorowicz; pages 56-59.

9.Best Print Analysis: “Partie in the USA” by Michael Rohde; pages 106-108.

10.Best Instruction: “Mind Tricks in the Endgame” by Alex Fishbein; pages 64-68.

11.Best Historical Article: “The Great American Chess Magazine War” by John S. Hilbert; pages 70-78.

12.Best Analysis: “Best Games from New York” by Ernesto Inarkiev; pages 79-90.

13.Best Local/Regional: “Philly Open” by Mackenzie Molner; pages 112-117.

14.Best Local/Regional: “Chicago! My Kind of Tourney” by Daniel Parmet with annotations by Ilya Smirin, Dmitry Gurevich, Akshat Chandra, Joshu Colas; pages 118-126.

15.Best Interview: “25 Questions for Steve Doyle” by Pete Tamburro; pages 135-138.

16.Best Photo: Cover Photo of Sabina Foisor by Lennart Ootes.

17.(a) Special Achievement Award: “Musings of an American Grandmaster” by Joel Benjamin. We would like all four of his columns (see other issues) considered as one body of work for this award. We do not have a category for chess commentary, and GM Benjamin’s frank and humorous thoughts are unique and of an exceptionally high quality. This is a perfect candidate for a special achievement award.

**Issue #4 (Fall, 2017; Kasparov on cover)**

18.Best Photo: “Sinquefield Cup Photo” by Lennart Ootes; pages 22-23.

19.Best Interview: “A Wonder A Wonder” by Josip Asik; pages 36-39.

20.Best Instruction: “Aagard’s All-Around Training” by Jacob Aagard; pages 46-49.

21.Best Print Analysis: “Waiting for a Queenside Break” by John Fedorowicz; pages 74-77.

22. Best Instruction: “Asphyxiated Pawns” by Alex Fishbein; pages 82-86.

23. Best Analysis: “The Scary Future of Chess” by Ernesto Inarkiev; pages 88-98.

24. Best Review: “Fresh Leaves from the Bookshelf” by Carsten Hansen; pages 100-105.

17. (b) Special Achievement: (see above) “Musings of an American Grandmaster” by Joel Benjamin; pages 110-113.

25.Best Interview: “Interview with Susan Polgar” by Chris Wainscott; pages 114-117.

26.Best Interview: “25 Questions for Dewain Barber” by Pete Tamburro; pages 122-125.

**Issue #5 (Winter 2017-2018, Magnus Carlsen on cover)**

27. Best International Tourn. Report: “California Sun Beats Down on a Foggy British Island” by Michael Brown; pages 30-33 and 36-39.

28. Best Analysis: “Magnus the King among Mere Mortals” by Ivan Sokolov; pages 20-29.

29. Best Analysis: “Do Chess Columnists Play Chess?” by Ivan Sokolov; pages 40-43.

30. Best Instruction: “Aagard’s All-Around Trainng” by Jacob Aagard; pages 44-49.

31. Best Features Article: “She’s MIT’s Hidden Gem” by Yuanling Yuan; pages 72-75.

32. Best Interview: “Determined to Succeed” by Chris Wainscott; pages 76-79.

33.Best Analysis: “London System” by Dennis Monokroussos; pages 80-86.

34.Best Instruction: “Mating Motifs in the Endgame” by Alex Fishbein; pages 100-104.

35. Best Interview: “25 Questions for GM Lev Alburt” by Pete Tamburro; pages128-133.

17. (c).Special Achievement: (See above) “Musings of an American Grandmaster” by Joel Benjamin; pages 114-118.

**Issue #6 (Spring, 2018; Caruana on cover)**

36. Best Analysis: “Revenge Served Cold” by John Burke; pages 10-17.

37. Best Instruction: “All-Around Training” by Jacob Aagard; pages 38-43.

38. Best Feature Article: “One Day You Give a Lesson; One Day You Get a Lesson” by S.P. Sethuraman; pages 56-65.

39. Best Feature Article: “The Crown Jewel: IM Annie Wang” by Yuanling Yuan; pages 66-69.

40.Best Analysis: “Anti-Grunfeld” by Dennis Monokroussos; pages 72-80.

41.Best Instruction: “Lifelines in Rook Endings” by Alex Fishbein; pages 90-93.

44.Best Review: “Fresh Leaves from the Bookshelf” by Carsten Hansen; pages 104-109.

42.Best Instruction: “Ten Mostly Tech Tips for Correspondence Players” by Jon Edwards; pages 110-112.

17 (d). Special Achievement: (See above) “Musings of an American Grandmaster” by Joel Benjamin; pages 114-117.

43.Best Interview: “25 Questions for Carol Meyer” by Pete Tamburro; pages 120-124.

44.Best Instruction: “You Have to Know it: Drawing Techniques” by Yakov Geller; pages 126-132.

45.For all Four Issues: Special Achievement Award for American Chess Magazine: There is no category for this 150+ page magazine that burst upon the scene with the US winning the Olympiad. Now in its second year, it has coaxed dozens of American grandmasters and foreign grandmasters to write on international and national events as well as journalist writing about their local tournaments. Interviews of all kinds; in-depth analysis in all phases of the games; personal insights by GMs. It is an American chess magazine that American chess deserves. Its production quality is superb.

46. Best Layout; For consistently high quality format. – Issue # 5

47. Best Layout; For consistently high quality format. – Issue # 6