



The Spirit: The Monthly Newsletter of IBM Ring 1

May Meeting: Thumb Tips and Coins

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At our next meeting the topic will be "Thumb Tips and Coins!".

Members are encouraged to bring their favorite thumb tip and/or coin trick to perform and/or teach.

A reminder about the way we are conducting the part of our meetings where members perform/teach:

We would like for the members who perform to receive feedback if they would like. This is totally voluntary. If the member performing would like feedback then they can ask for it after they perform.

The member can ask for specific or general critique about their act. We ask that the members who provide critique are asked to do so with respect.

Some performing members may decide that they have no interest in feedback. This is not a problem. They are welcome to leave the performing area after their trick has finished and they have received their applause.

Also, some members may just want to perform, some may choose to perform and teach a trick, or some may only wish to teach a trick. We are open to any of those options.

As always every performing, teaching member will have one chance put in a drawing for a magic item.

We hope you come with something to perform or teach. See you at the next meeting!

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I think you will give our next meeting a thumbs up!!



April Meeting Recap

Wow! What a great meeting! Steve Finkelstein, Steve Barcellona and Ray Belz were amazing! They showed our group TONS of bar bets. There was laughter in the air and fabulous fellowship at every turn. These masters of deception were even so kind as to add a link to their notes to our members only area. It's full of videos and descriptions. So if you missed this amazing meeting go to our website and check it out. Thanks again to Steve, Steve, and Ray!!

April Magic 101

If you missed the last 101 meeting, we worked on four very easy, but amazing mentalism effects using cards and dice. If you want a copy of my lecture notes they are posted in the members section of Ring One's website.

For May our theme is "Easy Money". I will be sharing three of my favorite coin effects, and as always no knuckle busting moves or sleights. (sorry Blake) So be sure to have a few coins in your pocket, and get there early to get a good seat.

Be sure to check the website to find out what the next Magic 101 topic will be. If anyone has an effect which fits our theme, please feel free to share it at the next meeting.

The remaining Magic 101 topics for 2010 will be:

May - Easy Money
 June - No Tears Card Moves
 August - Anything But Cards
 September - Not Playing with a Full Deck
 October - All the World's a Stage
 November - Strange Decks
 December - My Cups Runneth Over
 2011 - January - Ring and String Fun

Go to the members only area of our website www.ibmring1.com for notes on April's 101.

Hope to see you at the next Magic 101 – 6:30pm.

Always Magical,

Mike Hindrichs

June Meeting: Close-Up Competition

Also in June a stage competition – Date TBA.

The close-up competition is coming up next month and the board has discussed tweaking the rules of our contests. Here are the changes:

- If we have enough sign-ups for the competition, competing members will be split into 2 tiers: Those who have placed in the close-up competition before, Tier 1 - ie, 1st, 2nd or 3rd will be competing against one another. Those who have not placed before, Tier 2, will be competing with other folks who have not placed before. Those in Tier 2 who place in June's competition will move up to Tier 1 for next year's close-up competition.
- We will add an audience choice award. This is outside the regular place system. The winner of the Audience choice will be from the entire competition and can be a member from either Tier 1 or 2. The audience will have a chance to vote at the end of the competition on who was their favorite of the night.

Marty Kopp: King Of The Banana Bandana

Get your autograph books ready!! A star is born in our midst. Recently I received an email from Ring 1 board member Steve Barcellona beckoning me to check out Fantasma's April newsletter. As I scrolled down past Mismade Bills and Flower from Fingertips I saw a familiar face.....Mr. Marty Kopp, Ring 1's VP! He has become the poster boy for the classic of magic, "Amazing Mystical Vanishing Bandana (DELUXE) by Robert Haas".

Congratulations Marty, I'll take my autograph on a hundred dollar bill.

To see Marty on the Fantasma website, type or paste this link into your browser:

<http://www.fantasmamagic.com/shopping/proddetail.php?prod=3447>

Trick Review: Extreme Burn 2.0

Before I bought the DVD "Extreme Burn 2.0", I spent a lot of time searching the internet for a bill switch to add to my strolling routine. I wanted an effect that was thumb tip free, easy to handle, angle proof, resettable in front of spectators, and most of all, absolutely mind blowing.

So what finally convinced me to purchase this DVD? Doc Eason performed the trick for me at the Spring Parade of Magic and it completely fried me. I mean there were no funny moves, no folding, no cover, no nothing. He showed me both sides of a few one dollar bills then they turned into one hundred dollar bills. It was the closest thing to real magic that I have seen in a long time.

Well I knew my search was over. I had to know the secret, and lucky for me, Doc just happened to have a copy for sale at his dealer table. Now for those of you not familiar with this effect's creator, Richard Sanders is his name and he has a reputation for very detailed, well produced DVD's. This DVD is over ninety minutes long and has more handling variations and tips than you could ever digest in one sitting. The gimmick that makes the trick work is included in the DVD, plus some very easy to follow instructions for building the special stack of bills.

I have been playing around with all of the different handlings for this effect, and it's hard to choose just one to use. It is not a hard trick to learn but there is a certain knack to making it work perfectly. Hopefully I will be ready to perform it at the next I.B.M. meeting so you can see it up close.

To conclude this review, if you are looking for a multiple bill switch to add to your arsenal of magic, I cannot imagine anything better than this.

Always magical,

Mike Hindrichs

The Parade of Magic

As most of you are aware this year our parade was expanded to include 2 lectures, a flea market and a close-up show. Doc Eason and Kainoa Harbottle were even so kind as to give us an extra evening of goodies the night before.

Friday night: Around 6pm Kainoa taught an intensive workshop to about 15 people. From what I hear it was Knuckle busting fun. At about 8:30pm Doc took over at Fletcher's bar and grill and did an hour and a half of his signature bar magic surrounded by roughly 50 people.

Saturday: At 8:30am we started the flea market that turned into an all day dealers room. Mike Hindrichs sold out first, he could sell a Tarbell set to Tarbell. At 10am Kainoa blew our minds with some great coin magic. His lecture left our fingers aching. Around noon we had a pizza lunch. 1:30pm saw the start of Doc's lecture. He showed us why he deserved the 2009 Magic Castle Close-up Magician and Lecturer of the year. Congrats Doc! At 4pm we were treated to a close-up show featuring the talents of Jimmy "Cards" Molinari, Harry Monti, Blake Douglass, Kainoa and Doc. And what a great show it was. It was the perfect line-up. 7pm ushered in a huge crowd (mostly thanks to Marty Kopp for selling a ba-gillion tickets) for our stage show. Doc Mc'd the show, with Marty Kopp, Terry Richison, Steve Barcellona, Larry Minth, and Matt Olsen bringing their A-game to the crowd's delight. After the show we all went to Fletcher's for fellowship.

All told, it was a great event. We had an attendance of around 250 for the evening show, 45 for the full day of magic and gained 4 new members to Ring 1. We brought in \$3500 for the full event. With total costs around \$4500, after subtracting our remaining lecture budget our financial loss was only \$300. Not bad! Next year will be even better!!

Thanks to all those who helped out – Steve Levit, Ted Schnarre, Chuck Levy, Brian Boyd, John Reider, Ron Richison, The IBM Ring 1 Board, all of our performers and everyone else who helped. THANKS!!

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Event Spotlight

Midwest Magic Jubilee

Aug 12 -14, 2010

It's easy to register for the 2010 Jubilee!

Due to popular demand, the \$130.00 price and free spouse registration has been extended until April 15th!

Prior to April 15, 2010

**Adult - \$130.00 each
-Plus-**

Free Spouse Registration

**Youth (ages 16 & under) - \$70.00
each**

Starting April 16, 2010

Adult - \$145.00 each

-Plus-

Free Spouse Registration

**Youth (ages 16 & under) - \$75.00
each**

www.mmjubilee.com

SAM Assembly 8

Upcoming lectures not to be missed: Danny Archer - 5/27
David Williamson - 6/14
www.assembly8.com

Service Opportunities

PROJECT MAGIC Project Magic takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. 2-3 magicians are needed; each member is expected to participate at least once per year. This is a great opportunity to try new material, and to give back to those who may be confined for months at a time. Please arrive @ 6:30pm with the performance starting promptly at 6:45pm. The show is 45 minutes and it can be divided as needed by the performers. Bring a simple beginners magic trick to teach/give the kids after the show. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact: Steve Barcellona - sbarcellona@sbcglobal.net

MIDWEST MAGIC JUBILEE The Midwest Magic Jubilee always needs support. Please talk to Terry Richison or Al Zibits for more info.

Meeting Info

Magic Club Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30PM. (Except July)

Meeting order of events:

6pm Youth Meeting

6:30pm Magic 101

7:00pm Announcements

7:15pm Break

7:30pm Meeting Theme

Meeting & Events for the first part of 2010

May 5 – Members Perform + Teach “*Thumbtips and Coins*”

June 2 – Close-Up Competition

TBA – Stage Competition

All meetings will be held at:

The Maryland Heights Community Center
2344 McKelvey Rd in Maryland Heights, MO 63043.

Unless noted in the schedule.

Guests are always welcome so bring a friend.

Directions

From the St Louis Airport:

Take I-70 West to I-270 South

Take the Dorsett Exit

Turn Right onto Dorsett

Turn Right onto McKelvey Hill Rd (McKelvey Hill turns into McKelvey Rd)
Go ½ of a mile and the Maryland Heights Community Center is on the right.

From I-64(Hiway 40), I-44 or I-55:

Take I-64(Hiway 40), I-44 or I-55 West to I-270 and go north.

Take the Dorsett Exit

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