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Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 1st, Opening and Closing Effects

During our next meeting we will be covering opening and closing effects. I believe this meeting will be very informative and entertaining. It will give everyone a chance to see what magicians perform to open their acts and close the act.

With the opening trick we want to get everyone's attention right at the start of the show, without that it could be a long rough show. Once you have captured their attention your show will be a well received. The same for the closing effect, you want them to leave talking about what they just saw and wondering how you did what you just did.

Seeing how important these two effects are, we would like to have you perform at our October meeting to see what tricks you use to open and or close your shows. If you are willing to show your opening or closing tricks please bring them to the meeting. You are not required to teach your tricks. It would be nice to share with others why you feel these effects are right for you when performing.

Our membership has taken a growth spell in the recent months and I just feel this would give a great insight on what members may like to know on how and why tricks are chosen when placed in our shows.

As always, our meeting will be at the Maryland Heights Community Center. Magic 101 will begin at 6:30 p.m. Our regular meeting will start at 7:15 p.m.

Please let me know if you are interested in participating.

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6:30 Magic 101

Quiet please if you are not involved with Magic 101

7:00 Refreshments

7:15 Meeting

Following the meeting - Workshop and Fellowship till 10 PM

President's Message

By Mike Niehaus mrniehaus82@gmail.com

Ring 1 has had an exciting September. The Presidents Banquet Friday night with Oscar Munoz was amazing. Then, the lecture on Saturday was filled with great insight, and practical information on performing magic. If you missed the banquet and the lecture, then you missed a real humdinger of a time.

We have a great meeting in October, and we have the Charles Gauci lecture in November. Please remember the November meeting will be at the Airport Hilton on Wednesday November 5, 2014. The lecture will start at 7:00 p.m., and we will be announcing the room at a later date. The December meeting will be back at the Maryland Heights Community Center, and it will be our traditional Holiday Party.

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Carl “Bud” Dietrich

It is with a heavy heart that I must tell you that our beloved Ring 1 member, Carl “Bud” Dietrich passed away peacefully on Wednesday, September 24, 2014. Details of the Broken Wand Ceremony that will be performed are listed below in the Visitation section. Bud was 92 years old. He was born May 7, 1922 in East St. Louis, Illinois and has always been known as “Bud”. He attended Central Catholic High School and graduated from East St. Louis High School in 1941. He attended St. Joseph’s College in Rensselaer, Indiana and following World War II attended Shrivensham University in Swindon, England. He was a World War II Army Veteran serving as an instructor in the Pack Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and spent 18 months overseas with the 12th Armored Division. He ended his service as an Intelligence N.C.O. in Germany.



Bud had a career as a full time Magician. He performed for 44 years until his retirement in November 2000. He was well known in magic and lectured to magicians all over Europe and America. He invented magic tricks and co-authored a book on magic. For over 20 years he specialized in working trade shows for industries and was often called the “Fortune 500 Magician”.

Bud was a life member of the third and fourth degrees of the Knights of Columbus. He served on the Board of Directors of the International Brotherhood of Magicians and is a lifetime member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. He is a founding member of the Layman’s Assn. of the Shrine of Our Lady of Snows. He is also a member of the Society of American Magicians and a former member of the famed Magic Castle in Los Angeles.

Bud was preceded in death by his wife: Audrey, (nee Effinger) Dietrich whom he married October 4, 1947 and was also a Ring 1 member. They had been married for 66 years when she died last year.

He is survived by:

Two children Son: Paul Dietrich and his wife, Laura, of Upperville, Virginia

Daughter: Joan Dietrich of St. Louis, Missouri

Memorials: By request of the family, in lieu of flowers, Masses or contributions to the Alzheimer’s Association, 9370 Olive Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63132 may be made.

Visitation: Friends may call from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at Kurrus Funeral Home, 1773 Frank Scott Parkway West in Belleville, IL The Broken Wand Ceremony will be performed by Ring 1 at 5:00PM. All Ring 1 members are requested to attend.

A Visitation will also be from 9:00 am to 10:00 am on Monday, September 29, 2014 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 8707 West Main Street, Belleville, IL.

Funeral: A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 am on Monday, September 29, 2014 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 8707 West Main Street, Belleville, IL with Msgr. Jack McEvilly officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Belleville, IL.

To view and sign the guest book please visit: <http://kurrusfh.com/obituaries/2013-obituaries/?id=431>

Ring Report: September 2014

By Sandy Weis sweis@psdr3.org

Harry Monti volunteered to teach Magic 101 at the September meeting. He brought fifteen handouts for the participants. However, approximately fifty members showed up to learn cups and balls from Harry. He hadn't expected to be so popular. He also taught his version of Rub-A-Dub-Dub, which was excellent. His ending included three golf balls which appeared real, but were actually made of rubber. Harry gave a brief history of the designs of cups and balls and also of chop cups. Several of the newer members learned that Harry Monti designed the Monti Style Cups during the 1970s and they are still a classic from Rings-N-Things Magic. The Ring is fortunate to have such talented and experienced magicians as Harry.

Mike Niehaus, the President, shared upcoming events. He encouraged members to attend the banquet, which will be held on September 26th, featuring Oscar Munoz. Oscar will be giving a lecture the following day at the Airport Hilton. The theme of the October meeting will be opening and closing acts. Members are encouraged to share their opening and closing acts. Mike announced that he would schedule magicians for the annual Haunted Hayloft event at Purina Farms in Gray Summit. The Ring receives a donation from Purina Farms, which helps the Ring pay for lectures for the members. In November, a lecture which will be held at the Airport Hilton will feature Charles Gauci. On December 14th, the Ring will host a Charity Christmas Show at the Kirkwood Community Center Theatre. Various charities will be given reserved tickets, free of charge. John Davit was given his Order of Merlin – Shield in recognition of his 35 years of continuous service to the I.B.M.

Schedule of Events 2014 - 2015

July
No Meeting

August 6th, 2014
Ice Cream Social
and Flea Market

September 3rd, 2014
TBA

September 26th, 2014
Presidents Banquet

September 27th, 2014
Oscar Munoz Lecture

October 1st, 2014
Opening & Closing Effects

November 5th, 2014
Charles Gauci Lecture
Airport Hilton 7:00 p.m.

December 3rd, 2014
Holiday Party

After upcoming events were shared, several members performed magic effects. Jill Schmidt read the book "Great Snake Escape", and surprised everyone. Joe Lortz shared that he works at the Waffle House but can't make his customers' bills disappear; however, he can make cards fly. Jill read another story, "Into the Jungle", and again surprised the members. Ted Schnare explained that he went to his eye doctor and had an eye exam. His doctor had him read the "dots" on some cards, which magically changed right before his eyes. He left his exam thinking he needed a new prescription. John Davit used two \$5 bills. He somehow folded them together and magically they changed into a \$50 bill. Everyone wished he could do this effect with his or her money. Terry Richison used three colored scarfs—a red, yellow and blue one. He had a helper wave each scarf and asked what they were made of. Of course, she said, "silk". However, Terry shared that they were really made of soda and magically a can of Pepsi appeared. John Davit then used a rope to magically perform several effects. He was able to swing it and put a knot in it. He also put a ring on the rope and magically he pulled it off. Mike Niehaus shared his two "drawing boards"—the Sean Bogunia "Note Pad Surprise", and the "Magic Drawing Board", by Axtell. He explained how each one works and shared what he likes best about each. His talk was very informative which will help members know the differences before they purchase one. Ken Trokey shared a newspaper trick that he actually performed in the hospital while visiting his mother. He tore the newspaper and somehow opened it and it was still intact. The members enjoy watching others perform effects during the meetings.

Visitors are always welcome at the monthly meetings. Additional information about the Ring can be found on its website.

Sandy Weis

JDRF Needs Your HELP!! Sunday, October 5th

The JDRF One Walk takes place on Sunday, October 5th at the Sigma-Aldrich facility located at 2909 Laclede Ave. Parking will be in the Wells Fargo parking garage on Market St. and then walk over to the Laclede Ave. entrance. Walkers will start arriving at 8am, check-in is 8:30am with the walk starting at 9:30am and ending at noon.

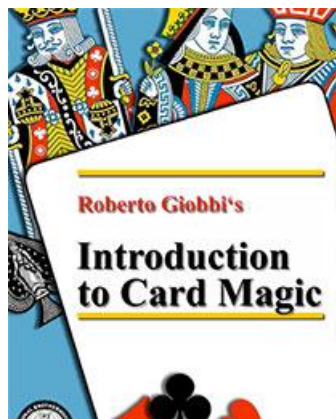
Therefore, a group of us we need to arrive at 7:30 and be ready and set up by 8:00AM. Others can join us at 9:00AM. This is a new location. Like before, we will have 3 tables under a tent, this year it will be on grass. Also, there will be chairs in front of our booth so magicians could perform a 10-15 minute magic show.

Please let Mike (Mrniehaus82@gmail.com) or Steve know ASAP if you will join us. This is a great opportunity to perform, teach or just watch and learn.

Thank you for your continued support.

Steve Finkelstein

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FREE CARD MAGIC BOOK

Through the generosity of the I.B.M. Endowment and Development Fund and Roberto Giobbi, one of the world's leading teachers of card magic, all I.B.M. members may download this special edition eBook. Using a powerful combination of detailed text, photographs, and video, this 155-page manual is an excellent resource for learning card magic. Follow this book step by step, and you will be able to give an impressive and baffling demonstration of card magic.

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I.B.M. member login in to access your free download of Roberto Giobbi's Introduction to Card Magic at: www.magician.org. The link to the book can be found under the resources tab and select the Roberto Giobbi intro to card magic link. You will need your IBM ID and password to complete the download.

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St. Louis Ring 1

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. (Except July) at the *Maryland Heights Community Center 2344 McKelvey Rd in Maryland Heights, MO 63043*. Unless noted in the schedule.

Meeting Agenda

6:30 Magic 101
7pm Announcements
7:15 Break
7:30 Meeting Theme
9pm Workshop / Social Time

Board Meetings held the 3rd Monday of the month. If you have something for the good of the club please contact one of the officers. All are welcome at the board meetings.

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(Hwy 40), I-44 or I-55:

Take I-64(Hwy 40), I-44 or I-55 West to I-270 and go north.
Take the Dorsett Exit, Turn Left 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.

This Just In...

Linking Ring Collection to be had

Here is a great opportunity for some of our newer members. Larry Skorepa wants to get rid of about 8-10 years of Linking Ring magazines. There is literally a wealth of magic knowledge in this collection of magazines. He can be contacted at:

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